



Canadian NCLEX- RN Passing Rates

This report describes the performance of candidates educated in Canada on NCLEX-RN exam. The first section of this report presents the pass rates for first six months (January to June 2015). The second section addresses test plan category performances with the comparison to the average performance of Canada.

Performance of Exam Candidates

Pass rate

There were 1,237 Canadian candidates who took NCLEX-RN exams from January to March 2015. As shown in Table 1, the Canadian pass rate of NCLEX-RN for Quarter 1 is 68.5%, which is lower than the U.S. national pass rate (76.8%). The similar pattern holds for Quarter 2 (71.4% vs. 79.5%) where there were 3,264 Canadian candidates taking NCLEX-RN exams. The pass rates of several Canadian educational jurisdictions are above the U.S. national pass rate (e.g., British Columbia, Newfoundland and Labrador). Some educational jurisdictions improved significantly from Quarter 1 to Quarter 2 in terms of their pass rates (e.g., Prince Edward Island, Manitoba, and Saskatchewan).

Table 1. NCLEX-RN Pass Rate of Educational Jurisdictions by Testing Quarter

Educational Jurisdiction	January-March 2015			April-June 2015		
	# Delivered	# Passed	% Passed	# Delivered	# Passed	% Passed
ALBERTA	519	350	67.4%	566	395	69.8%
BRITISH COLUMBIA	224	194	86.6%	546	441	80.8%
MANITOBA	47	20	42.6%	176	133	75.6%
NEW BRUNSWICK	38	23	60.5%	227	121	53.3%
NEWFOUNDLAND AND LABRADOR	1	1	100.0%	135	110	81.5%
NOVA SCOTIA	24	17	70.8%	230	188	81.7%
NORTHWEST TERRITORIES AND NUNAVUT	.	.	.	17	14	82.4%
ONTARIO	322	216	67.1%	1366	933	68.3%
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	11	4	36.4%	57	43	75.4%
SASKATCHEWAN	51	22	43.1%	144	96	66.7%
CANADA	1237	847	68.5%	3464	2474	71.4%
U.S.	49772	38213	76.8%	63339	50371	79.5%

There were 4,701 Canadian candidates who took NCLEX-RN exams from January to June. As shown in Table 2, the pass rate of the candidates educated in Canada during the first six months

is 70.6%, which is lower than the U.S. pass rate (78.3%). The six month pass rates of several Canadian educational jurisdictions are above the U.S. pass rate (e.g., British Columbia, Newfoundland and Labrador, Nova Scotia, and Northwest Territories and Nunavut). A supplementary report for each educational jurisdiction provides the pass rate of each educational program for Quarter 1 (January-March) and Quarter 2 (April-June).

Table 2. NCLEX-RN Pass Rate of Educational Jurisdictions

Educational Jurisdiction	January-June 2015		
	# Delivered	# Passed	% Passed
ALBERTA	1085	745	68.7%
BRITISH COLUMBIA	770	635	82.5%
MANITOBA	223	153	68.6%
NEW BRUNSWICK	265	144	54.3%
NEWFOUNDLAND AND LABRADOR	136	111	81.6%
NOVA SCOTIA	254	205	80.7%
NORTHWEST TERRITORIES AND NUNAVUT	17	14	82.4%
ONTARIO	1688	1149	68.1%
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	68	47	69.1%
SASKATCHEWAN	195	118	60.5%
CANADA	4701	3321	70.6%
U.S.	113111	88584	78.3%

Test plan category performance

The average performances for eight RN test plan categories are provided in Figure 1. Visit NCSBN.org for information on the [NCLEX-RN Test Plan](#). The first column bar in each test plan category represents Alberta and the last column bar represents the average performance of Canada. Both British Columbia and Nova Scotia performed relatively well across the eight test plan categories. New Brunswick has the lowest average performance in each of the eight test plan categories except Psych (Psychosocial Integrity). The supplementary report provides the average performances for the eight test plan categories for each educational jurisdiction during the first six months. The eight test plan performances for each educational jurisdiction are juxtaposed to the average performances of Canada.

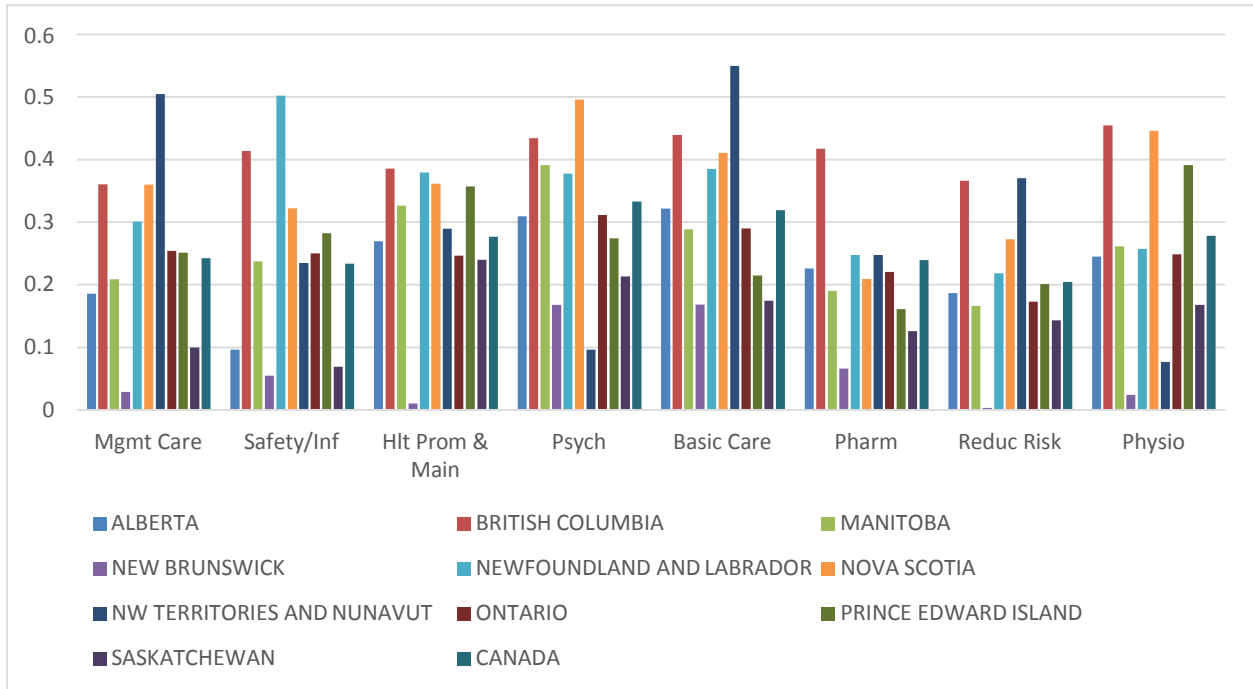


Figure 1. NCLEX-RN Test Plan Category Performance of Educational Jurisdiction (January-June)