
Licensure MBP 2016
55 Jurisdictions Included in the report:

Alabama (AL)	Alaska (AK)	Arizona (AZ)	Arkansas (AR)	California-RN (CA-RN)
California-VN (CA-VN)	Colorado (CO)	Connecticut (CT)	Delaware (DE)	District of Columbia (DC)
Florida (FL)	Georgia (GA)	Guam (GU)	Hawaii (HI)	Idaho (ID)
Illinois (IL)	Indiana (IN)	Iowa (IA)	Kansas (KS)	Kentucky (KY)
Louisiana-RN (LA-RN)	Maine (ME)	Maryland (MD)	Massachusetts (MA)	Michigan (MI)
Minnesota (MN)	Mississippi (MS)	Missouri (MO)	Montana (MT)	Nebraska (NE)
Nevada (NV)	New Hampshire (NH)	New Jersey (NJ)	New Mexico (NM)	North Carolina (NC)
North Dakota (ND)	Northern Mariana Islands (CNMI)	Ohio (OH)	Oklahoma (OK)	Oregon (OR)
Pennsylvania (PA)	Rhode Island (RI)	South Carolina (SC)	South Dakota (SD)	Tennessee (TN)
Texas (TX)	Utah (UT)	Vermont (VT)	Virgin Islands (VI)	Virginia (VA)
Washington (WA)	West Virginia-PN (WV-PN)	West Virginia-RN (WV-RN)	Wisconsin (WI)	Wyoming (WY)

4 Jurisdictions not included in the report due to non-response:

American Samoa (AS)	Louisiana-PN (LA-PN)	Nebraska-AP (NE-APRN)	New York (NY)
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Member Board Profile Terminology

The following terms are used throughout all profiles:

Board of Nursing: Jurisdiction's governmental agency responsible for the regulation of nursing practice. Includes any other terminology to refer to the regulatory authority (i.e. commission, examiners, registration, jurisdiction). When referring to board of nursing, the reference collectively includes Board Members, Executive Officer and Staff.

Jurisdiction: Refers to state, territory or district where a board of nursing is located. May also be used to refer generally to the board of nursing in a particular jurisdiction.

Board Staff: Staff of the Board of Nursing

Executive Officer: Person responsible for running the board of nursing. Includes any other terminology to refer to that authorized person (i.e. Executive Director)

Board Member: Member of the governing body of the board of nursing as outlined by statute

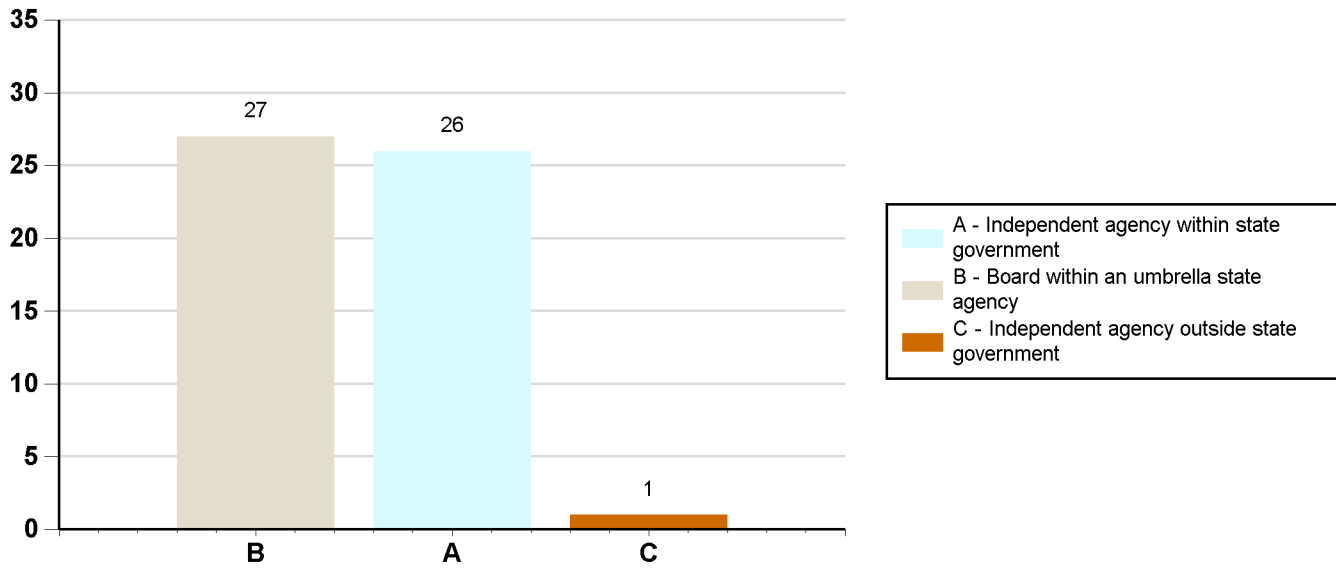
Practical nurse or PN: licensed practical or vocational nurse (LPN/LVN)

Temporary Practice Permit: a time limited permit that allows an applicant, who meets all qualifications for licensure, to practice while waiting for specific information regarding their application

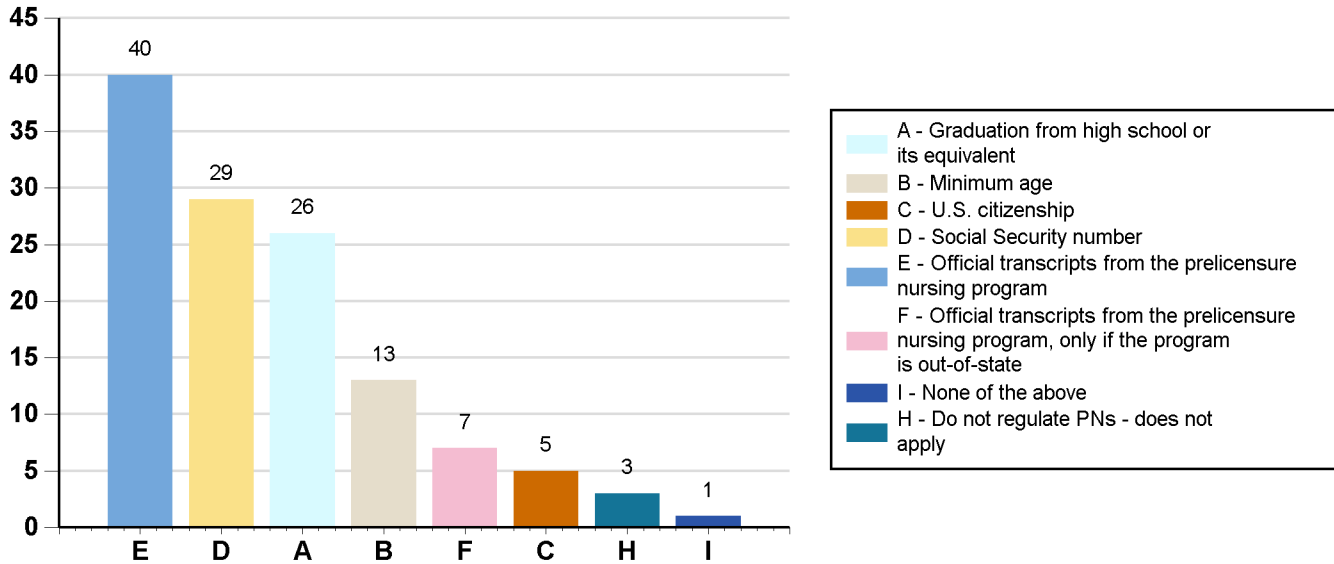
Substance Use Disorder: encompasses a pattern of behaviors that range from misuse to dependency or addiction, whether the substance is alcohol, legal drugs or illegal drugs

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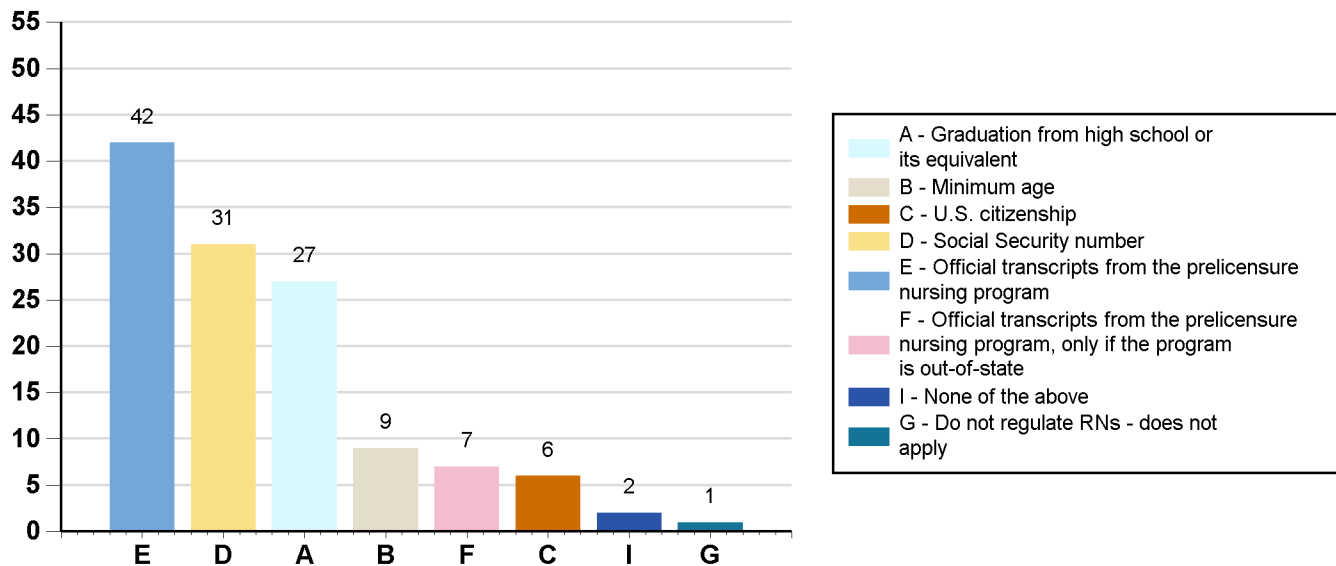
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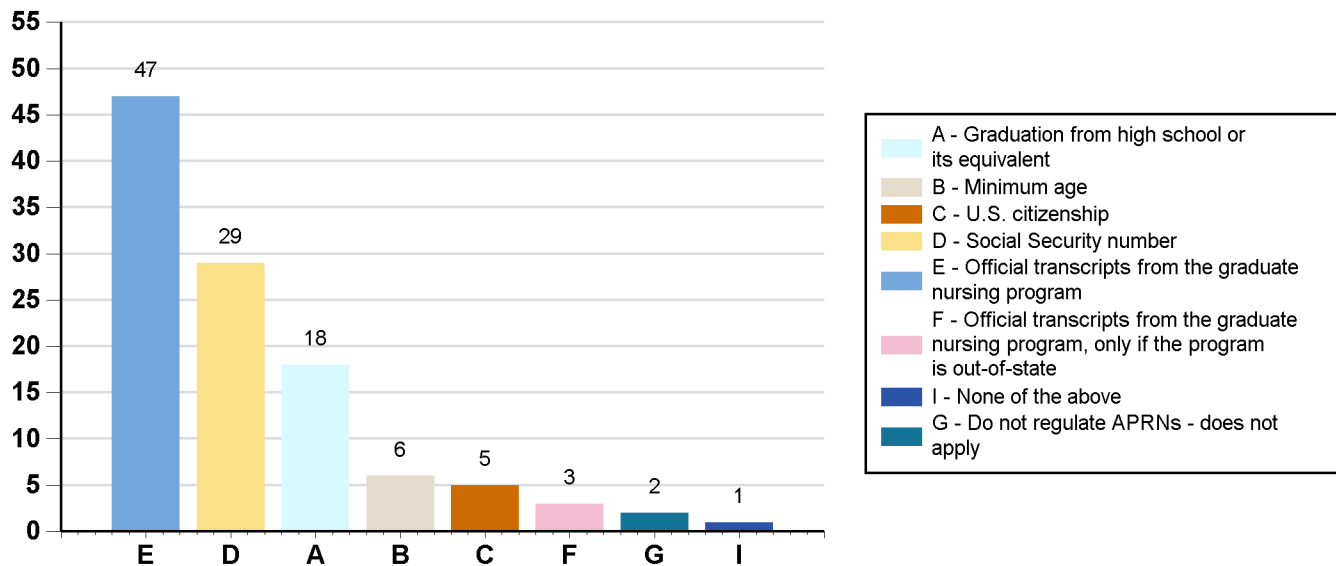
Responses	Jurisdictions	Number of Boards	Percentage of Boards Responding
Independent agency within state government	AL, AR, AZ, CNMI, IA, ID, KS, KY, LA-RN, MD, ME, MN, MO, MS, ND, NM, NV, OH, OK, OR, RI, SD, TX, WV-PN, WV-RN, WY	26	48%
Board within an umbrella state agency	AK, CA-RN, CA-VN, CO, CT, DC, DE, FL, GA, GU, HI, IL, IN, MA, MI, MT, NE, NJ, PA, SC, TN, UT, VA, VI, VT, WA, WI	27	50%
Independent agency outside state government	NC	1	2%

Q1. Which of the following are a requirement for initial PN licensure? (Check all that apply.)


Responses	Jurisdictions	Number of Boards	Percentage of Boards Responding
Graduation from high school or its equivalent	AL, AR, CNMI, CT, DC, DE, FL, GA, GU, IA, IN, MD, ME, NC, NE, NJ, NM, NV, RI, SD, TN, TX, UT, VA, VI, WV-PN	26	48%
Minimum age	DC, GA, GU, HI, ME, NJ, NM, NV, OK, SC, VA, WI, WV-PN	13	24%
U.S. citizenship	AL, GU, HI, NV, RI	5	9%
Social Security number	AL, AR, AZ, CT, DC, FL, GU, HI, ID, IN, KS, MD, ME, MS, NC, ND, NH, NJ, NV, OK, RI, SC, SD, TN, UT, VI, VT, WI, WY	29	54%
Official transcripts from the prelicensure nursing program	AK, AL, AR, AZ, CNMI, CO, CT, DC, DE, FL, GA, GU, HI, IA, ID, IL, KS, MA, MD, MI, MO, MS, MT, NC, ND, NE, NH, NM, NV, OK, OR, RI, TN, UT, VA, VI, WA, WI, WV-PN, WY	40	74%
Official transcripts from the prelicensure nursing program, only if the program is out-of-state	KY, NJ, OH, PA, SC, SD, VT	7	13%
None of the above	MN	1	2%
Do not regulate PNs - does not apply	CA-RN, LA-RN, WV-RN	3	6%

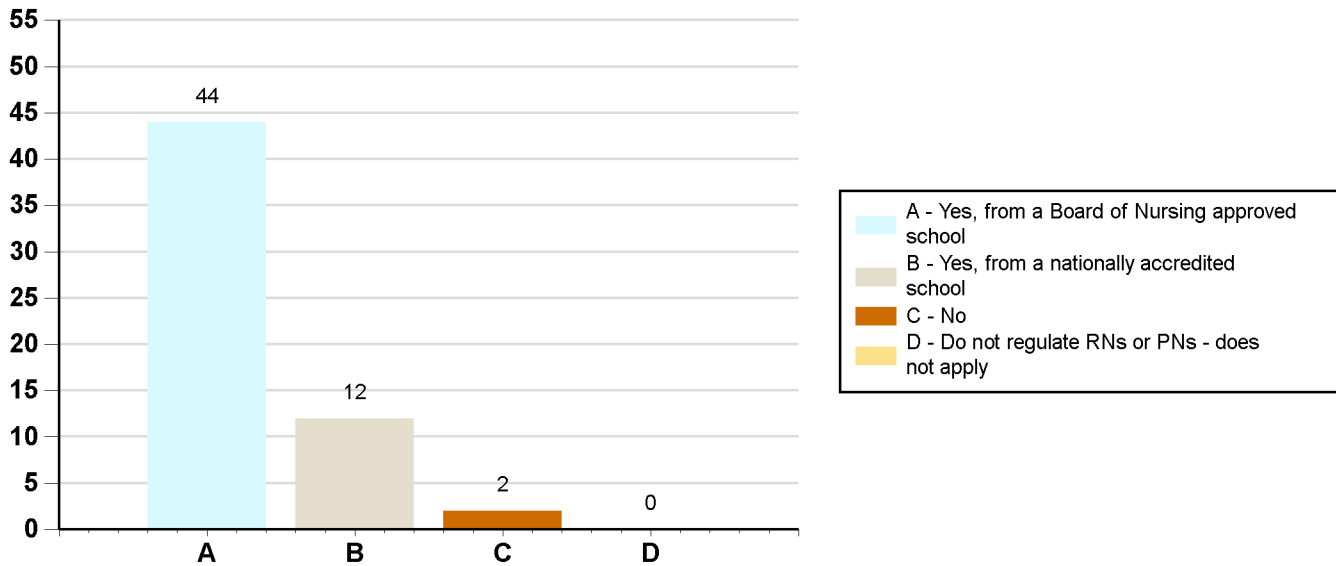
Q2. Which of the following are a requirement for initial RN licensure? (Check all that apply.)


Responses	Jurisdictions	Number of Boards	Percentage of Boards Responding
Graduation from high school or its equivalent	AL, AR, CA-RN, CNMI, CT, DC, DE, FL, GU, IA, IN, LA-RN, MD, ME, MO, NC, NE, NJ, NV, RI, SD, TN, UT, VA, VI, WI, WV-RN	27	50%
Minimum age	DC, GU, HI, ME, NJ, NV, OK, SC, VA	9	17%
U.S. citizenship	AL, GU, HI, NV, RI, WV-RN	6	11%
Social Security number	AL, AR, AZ, CA-RN, CT, DC, FL, GU, HI, ID, IN, KS, LA-RN, MD, ME, MS, NC, ND, NH, NJ, NV, OK, RI, SC, SD, TN, UT, VI, VT, WI, WY	31	57%
Official transcripts from the prelicensure nursing program	AK, AL, AR, AZ, CA-RN, CNMI, CO, CT, DC, DE, FL, GA, GU, HI, IA, ID, IL, KS, LA-RN, MA, MD, MI, MO, MS, MT, NC, ND, NE, NH, NM, NV, OK, OR, RI, TN, UT, VA, VI, WA, WI, WV-RN, WY	42	78%
Official transcripts from the prelicensure nursing program, only if the program is out-of-state	KY, NJ, OH, PA, SC, SD, VT	7	13%
None of the above	MN, TX	2	4%
Do not regulate RNs - does not apply	WV-PN	1	2%

Q3. Which of the following are a requirement for initial APRN licensure? (Check all that apply.)


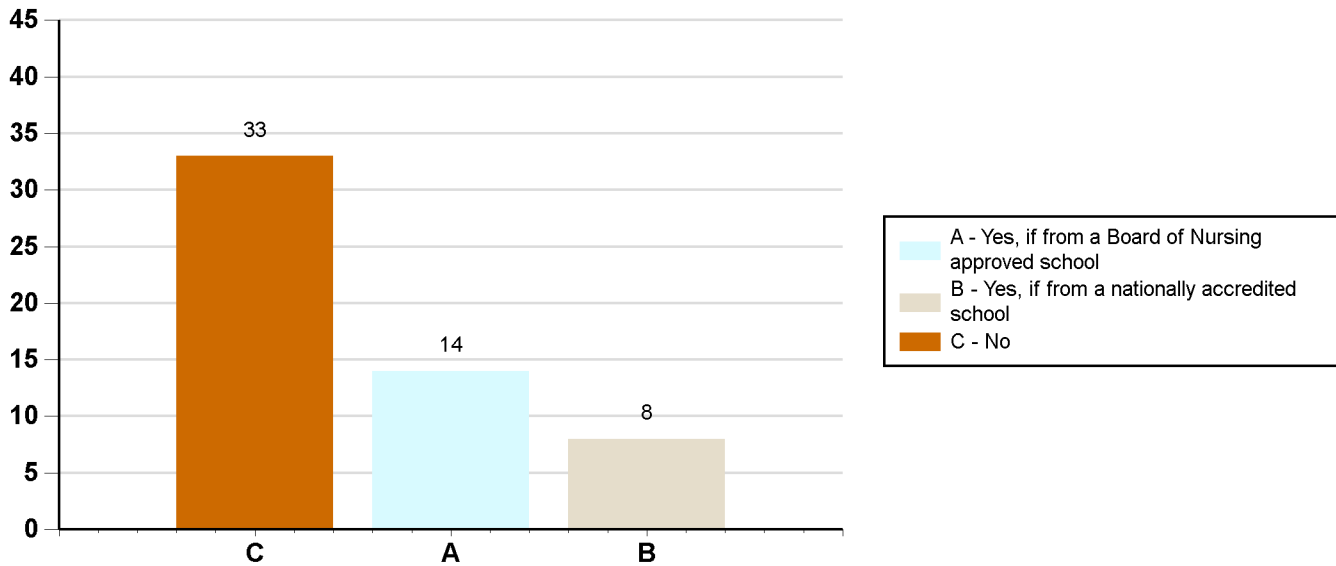
Responses	Jurisdictions	Number of Boards	Percentage of Boards Responding
Graduation from high school or its equivalent	AL, AR, CA-RN, CT, DC, DE, FL, GU, IA, IN, LA-RN, MD, ME, NV, RI, SD, UT, VI	18	33%
Minimum age	DC, GU, HI, ME, NV, SC	6	11%
U.S. citizenship	AL, GU, HI, NV, RI	5	9%
Social Security number	AL, AR, AZ, CA-RN, CT, DC, FL, GU, HI, ID, IN, KS, LA-RN, MA, MD, ME, MS, ND, NH, NV, OK, RI, SC, SD, TN, UT, VI, VT, WY	29	54%
Official transcripts from the graduate nursing program	AK, AL, AR, AZ, CA-RN, CNMI, CO, CT, DE, FL, GA, GU, HI, IA, ID, IL, KS, KY, LA-RN, MA, MD, ME, MI, MN, MS, MT, NC, ND, NE, NH, NJ, NM, NV, OK, OR, RI, SC, SD, TN, TX, UT, VA, VI, VT, WA, WV-RN, WY	47	87%
Official transcripts from the graduate nursing program, only if the program is out-of-state	NJ, OH, PA	3	6%
None of the above	MO	1	2%
Do not regulate APRNs - does not apply	WI, WV-PN	2	4%

Q4. Is graduation from a nursing education program a requirement for initial RN or PN licensure? (Check all that apply.)



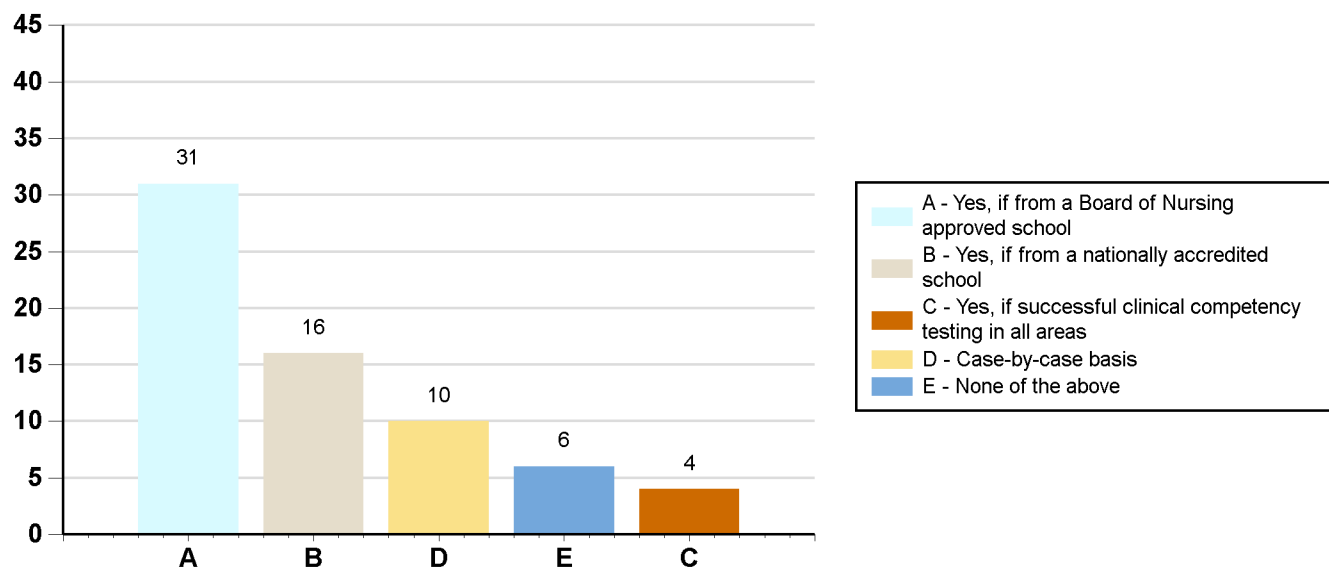
Responses	Jurisdictions	Number of Boards	Percentage of Boards Responding
Yes, from a Board of Nursing approved school	AL, AR, AZ, CNMI, CO, CT, DC, DE, GA, GU, IA, ID, IL, IN, KS, KY, LA-RN, MA, MD, MI, MN, MO, MT, NC, ND, NE, NH, NJ, OH, OK, OR, PA, RI, SC, SD, TN, TX, VA, VI, VT, WA, WV-PN, WV-RN, WY	44	80%
Yes, from a nationally accredited school	AK, DE, FL, HI, KY, ME, MS, NM, NV, RI, UT, WI	12	22%
No	CA-RN, CA-VN	2	4%
Do not regulate RNs or PNs - does not apply		0	0%

Q5. Are graduates from a prelicensure nursing program without a clinical component allowed licensure? (Check all that apply.)



Responses	Jurisdictions	Number of Boards	Percentage of Boards Responding
Yes, if from a Board of Nursing approved school	AR, DC, GA, IA, ID, IL, MA, MN, MT, OH, PA, SC, TX, WV-RN	14	25%
Yes, if from a nationally accredited school	AK, CNMI, HI, MS, NE, NV, SD, UT	8	15%
No	AL, AZ, CA-RN, CA-VN, CO, CT, DE, FL, GU, IN, KS, KY, LA-RN, MD, ME, MI, MO, NC, ND, NH, NJ, NM, OK, OR, RI, TN, VA, VI, VT, WA, WI, WV-PN, WY	33	60%

Q6. Are graduates of a prelicensure distance education program allowed licensure? (Check all that apply.)

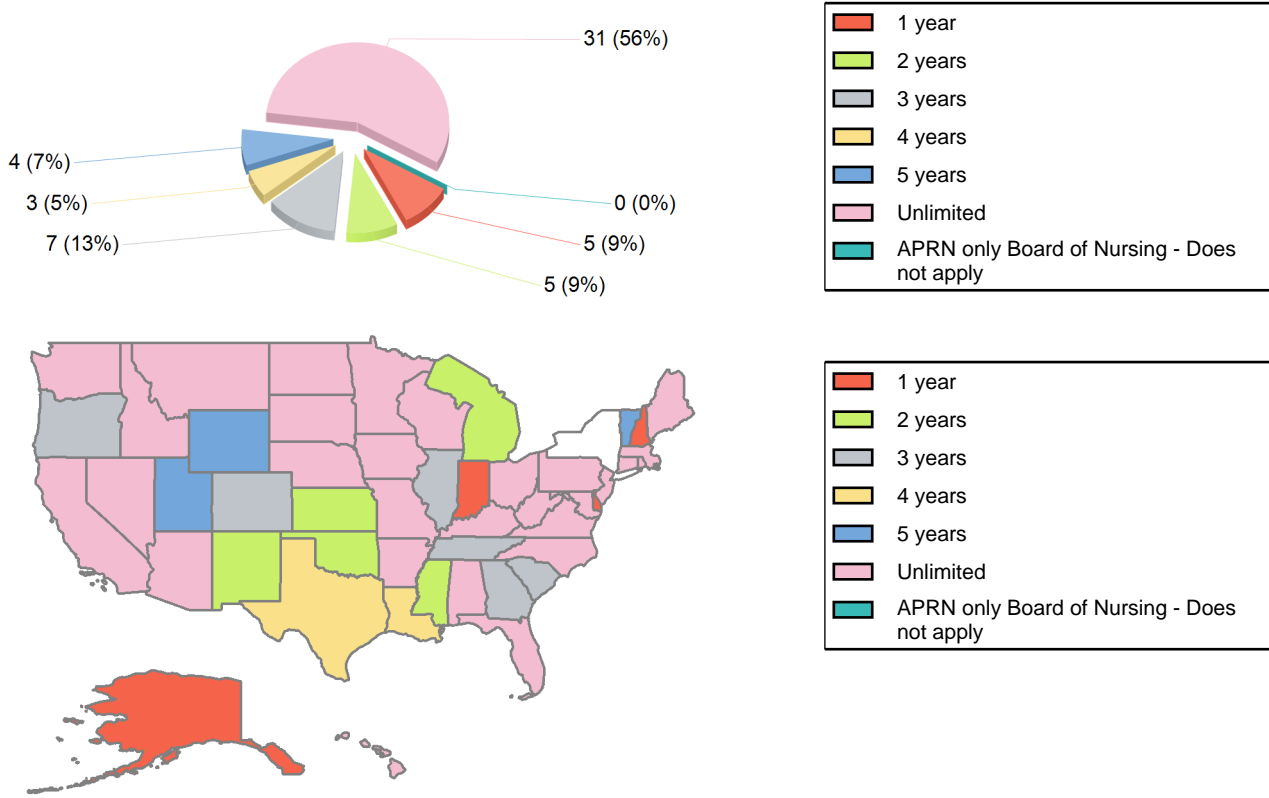


Responses	Jurisdictions	Number of Boards	Percentage of Boards Responding
Yes, if from a Board of Nursing approved school	AR, CNMI, DC, FL, GA, GU, IA, ID, IL, KY, MA, MD, MN, MO, MT, ND, NH, NM, OH, OK, OR, PA, SC, TN, TX, VA, VI, VT, WV-PN, WV-RN, WY	31	57%
Yes, if from a nationally accredited school	AK, DE, FL, HI, MA, ME, MS, NE, NH, NJ, NM, NV, SD, UT, VI, VT	16	30%
Yes, if successful clinical competency testing in all areas	DE, LA-RN, ME, VI	4	7%
Case-by-case basis	AL, CO, DE, FL, KS, LA-RN, NC, VI, WA, WI	10	19%
None of the above	AZ, CA-RN, CT, IN, MI, RI	6	11%



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Q7. What is the time limit for applicants to pass the NCLEX after graduation?

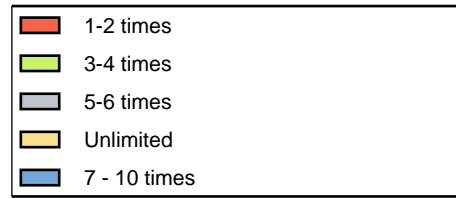
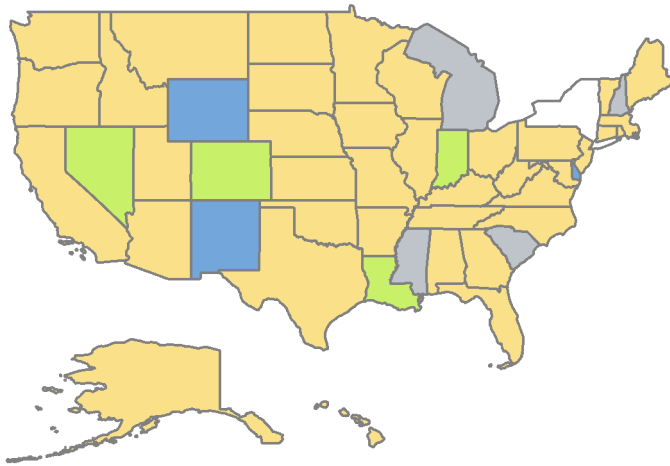
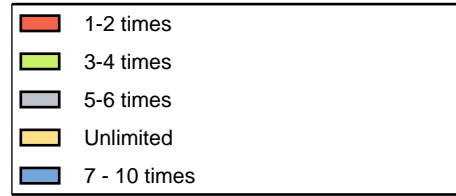
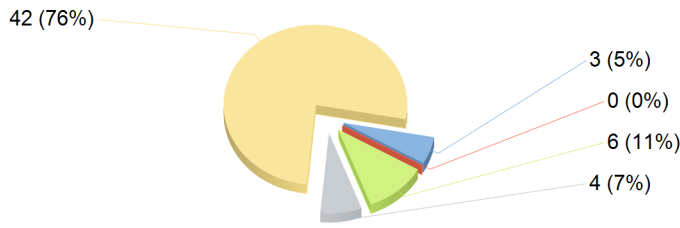


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Responses	Jurisdictions	Number of Boards	Percentage of Boards Responding
1 year	AK, DE, GU, IN, NH	5	9%
2 years	KS, MI, MS, NM, OK	5	9%
3 years	CO, DC, GA, IL, OR, SC, TN	7	13%
4 years	LA-RN, TX, WV-PN	3	5%
5 years	UT, VI, VT, WY	4	7%
Unlimited	AL, AR, AZ, CA-RN, CA-VN, CNMI, CT, FL, HI, IA, ID, KY, MA, MD, ME, MN, MO, MT, NC, ND, NE, NJ, NV, OH, PA, RI, SD, VA, WA, WI, WV-RN	31	56%
APRN only Board of Nursing - Does not apply		0	0%



Q8. What is the total number of times an initial applicant can take the NCLEX?

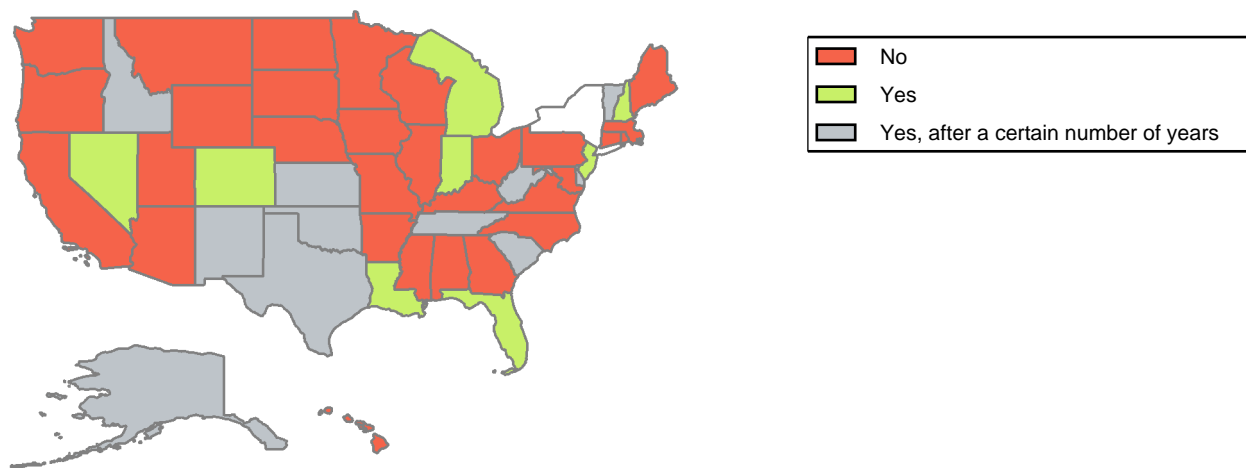
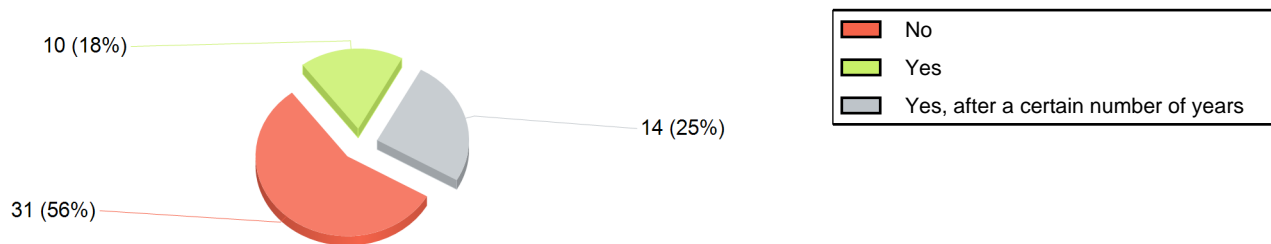


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Responses	Jurisdictions	Number of Boards	Percentage of Boards Responding
1-2 times		0	0%
3-4 times	CO, GU, IN, LA-RN, NV, VI	6	11%
5-6 times	MI, MS, NH, SC	4	7%
Unlimited	AK, AL, AR, AZ, CA-RN, CA-VN, CNMI, CT, DC, FL, GA, HI, IA, ID, IL, KS, KY, MA, MD, ME, MN, MO, MT, NC, ND, NE, NJ, OH, OK, OR, PA, RI, SD, TN, TX, UT, VA, VT, WA, WI, WV-PN, WV-RN	42	76%
7 - 10 times	DE, NM, WY	3	5%



Q9. Does the Board of Nursing require remediation after a certain number of failed NCLEX attempts?

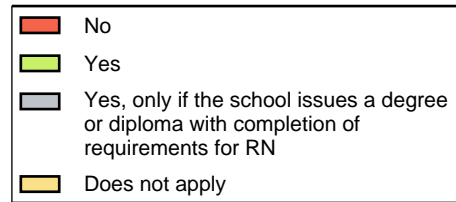
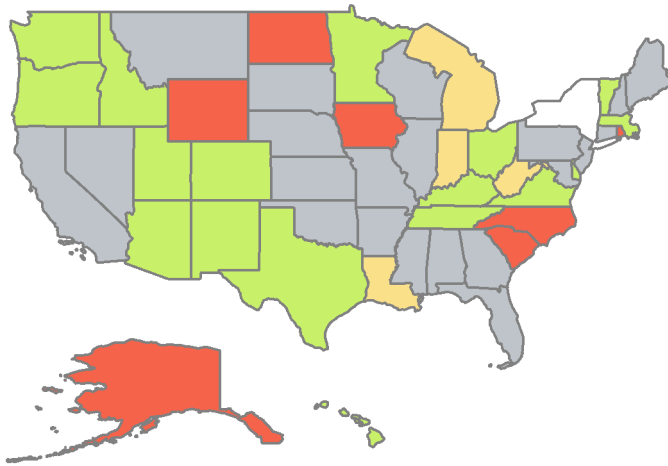
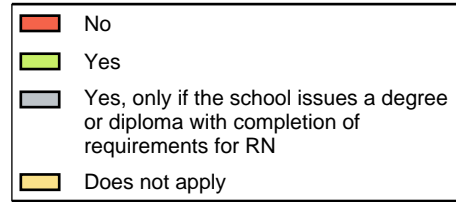
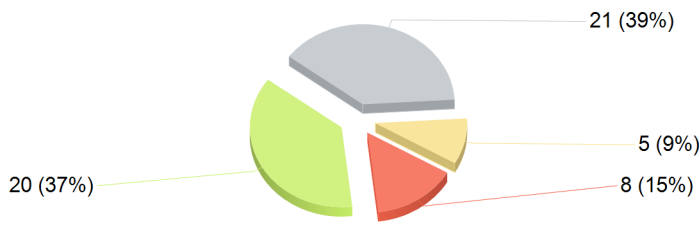


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Responses	Jurisdictions	Number of Boards	Percentage of Boards Responding
No	AL, AR, AZ, CA-RN, CA-VN, CT, GA, HI, IA, IL, KY, MA, MD, ME, MN, MO, MS, MT, NC, ND, NE, OH, OR, PA, RI, SD, UT, VA, WA, WI, WY	31	56%
Yes	CO, FL, GU, IN, LA-RN, MI, NH, NJ, NV, VI	10	18%
Yes, after a certain number of years	AK, CNMI, DC, DE, ID, KS, NM, OK, SC, TN, TX, VT, WV-PN, WV-RN	14	25%

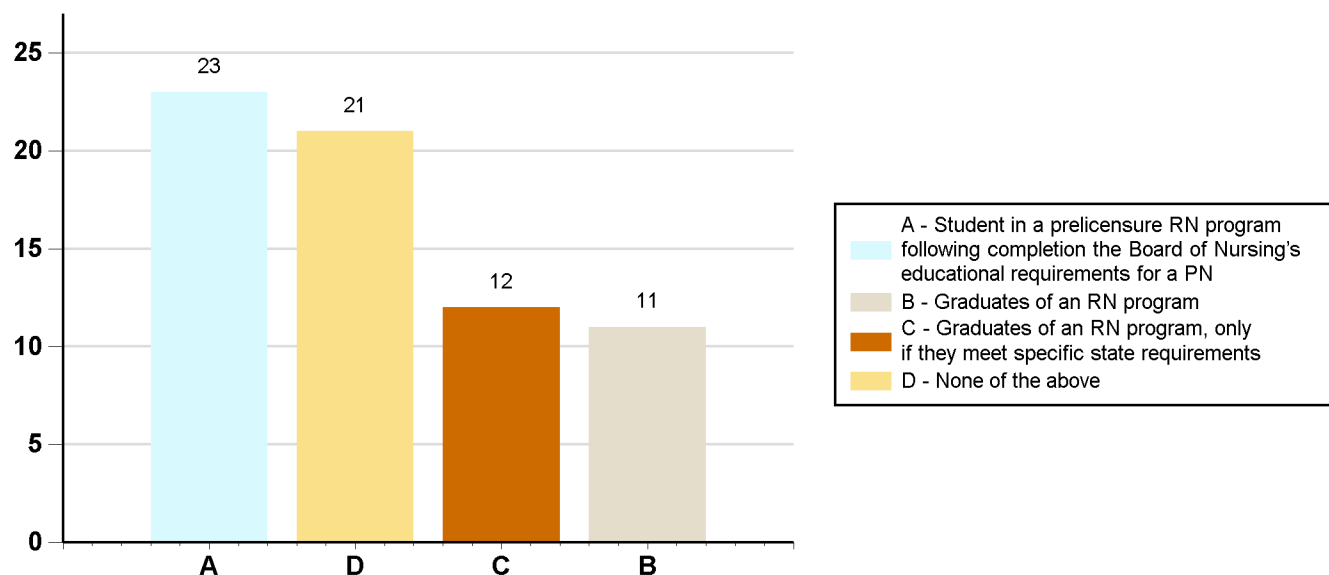


Q10. Are applicants in a graduate entry-level nursing degree program eligible to take the NCLEX-RN examination following completion of the Board of Nursing’s educational requirements for a RN?

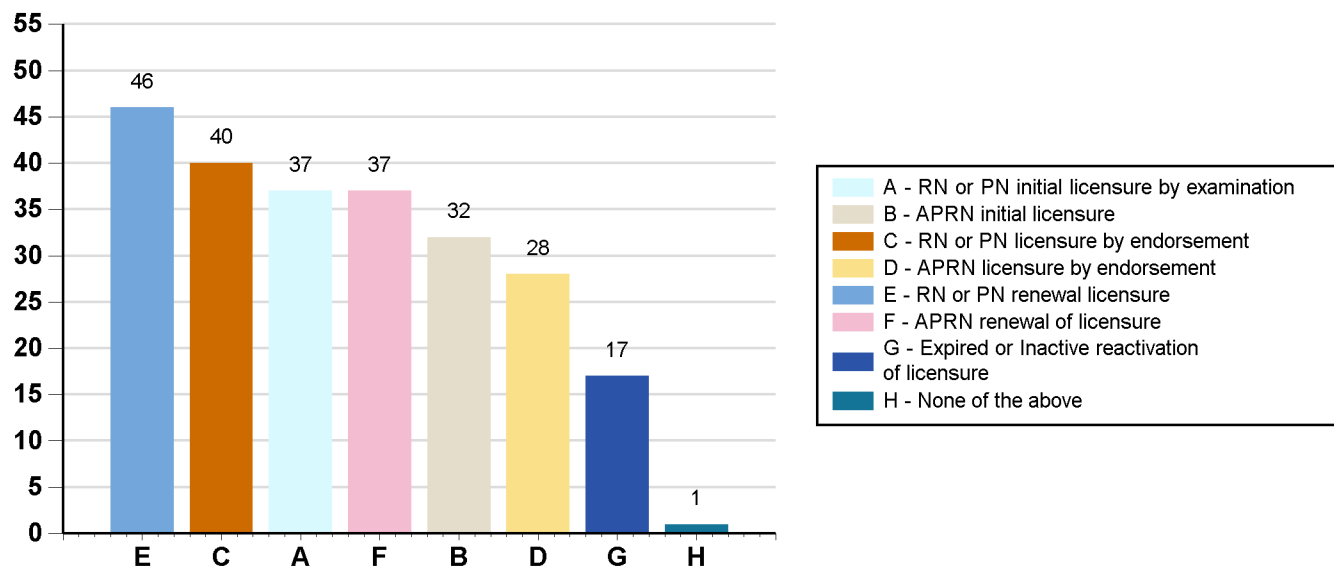


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Responses	Jurisdictions	Number of Boards	Percentage of Boards Responding
No	AK, IA, NC, ND, RI, SC, VI, WY	8	15%
Yes	AZ, CNMI, CO, DC, DE, GU, HI, ID, KY, MA, MN, NM, OH, OR, TN, TX, UT, VA, VT, WA	20	37%
Yes, only if the school issues a degree or diploma with completion of requirements for RN	AL, AR, CA-RN, CT, FL, GA, IL, KS, MD, ME, MO, MS, MT, NE, NH, NJ, NV, OK, PA, SD, WI	21	39%
Does not apply	IN, LA-RN, MI, WV-PN, WV-RN	5	9%

Q11. Area any of the following eligible to take the NCLEX-PN? (Check all that apply.)


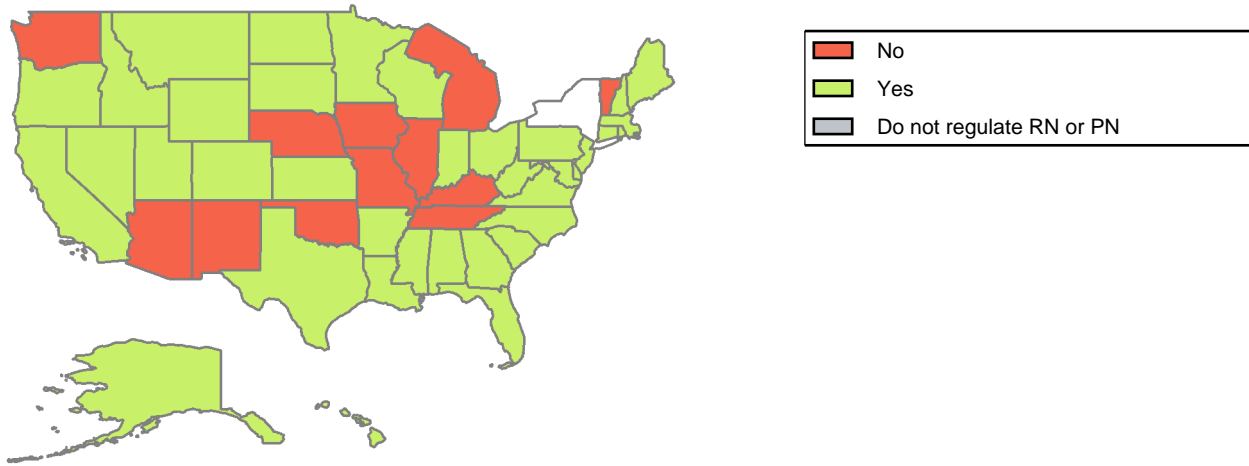
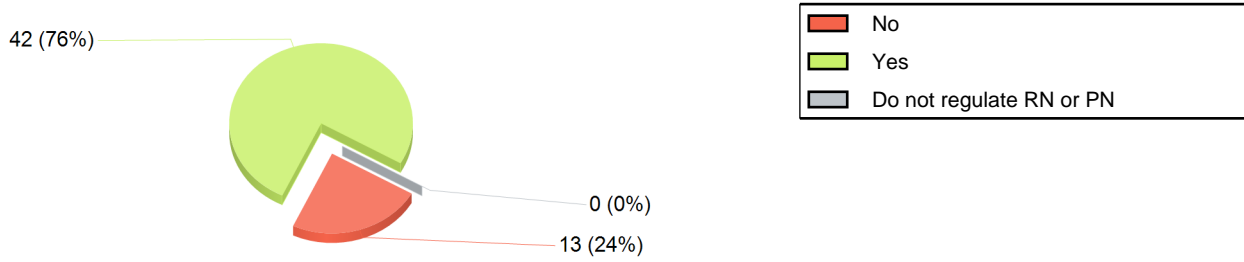
Responses	Jurisdictions	Number of Boards	Percentage of Boards Responding
Student in a prelicensure RN program following completion the Board of Nursing's educational requirements for a PN	AR, AZ, CNMI, CT, DE, FL, GU, HI, ID, IL, MA, MD, ME, MT, NE, NH, NM, OK, RI, UT, WA, WI, WY	23	43%
Graduates of an RN program	AZ, CO, DC, FL, GU, MA, NE, OK, OR, SC, WA	11	20%
Graduates of an RN program, only if they meet specific state requirements	AK, AR, GU, HI, ID, KS, MI, MO, NC, NM, SD, UT	12	22%
None of the above	AL, CA-RN, GA, IA, IN, KY, LA-RN, MN, MS, ND, NJ, NV, OH, PA, TN, TX, VA, VI, VT, WV-PN, WV-RN	21	39%

Q12. Can licensure applications be submitted online? (Check all that apply)


Responses	Jurisdictions	Number of Boards	Percentage of Boards Responding
RN or PN initial licensure by examination	AL, AR, CA-RN, CA-VN, CO, CT, FL, GA, IA, ID, IL, IN, KS, KY, MD, MI, MN, MS, MT, NC, ND, NE, NH, NJ, NM, OH, OK, PA, RI, SC, SD, TX, UT, VA, VT, WI, WV-PN	37	67%
APRN initial licensure	AL, AR, CA-RN, CA-VN, CO, CT, FL, IA, ID, IL, IN, KS, KY, LA-RN, MI, MS, MT, NC, NH, NJ, NM, OH, OK, PA, SC, SD, TX, UT, VA, VT, WV-PN, WV-RN	32	58%
RN or PN licensure by endorsement	AL, AR, CA-RN, CA-VN, CO, CT, DC, FL, IA, ID, IN, KS, KY, LA-RN, MD, ME, MI, MN, MS, MT, NC, ND, NE, NH, NJ, NM, NV, OH, OK, OR, PA, RI, SC, SD, TX, UT, VA, VT, WI, WV-PN	40	73%
APRN licensure by endorsement	AL, AR, CA-RN, CA-VN, CO, CT, FL, IA, ID, KS, KY, LA-RN, MI, MS, MT, NC, NH, NM, NV, OH, OK, PA, SC, SD, UT, VA, VT, WV-PN	28	51%
RN or PN renewal licensure	AK, AL, AR, AZ, CA-RN, CNMI, CO, DE, GA, GU, HI, IA, ID, IL, KS, KY, LA-RN, MA, MD, ME, MI, MN, MO, MS, MT, NC, ND, NE, NH, NM, NV, OH, OK, OR, PA, RI, SC, SD, TN, UT, VA, VT, WA, WI, WV-RN, WY	46	84%
APRN renewal of licensure	AK, AL, AR, CA-RN, CO, DE, GA, IA, ID, IL, KS, KY, LA-RN, MA, ME, MI, MS, MT, NC, ND, NE, NH, NM, NV, OH, OK, OR, PA, SC, SD, TN, UT, VA, VT, WA, WV-RN, WY	37	67%
Expired or Inactive reactivation of licensure	AL, AR, IA, ID, KS, KY, LA-RN, MA, MI, MN, MS, MT, NC, NM, OH, OK, WV-RN	17	31%
None of the above	VI	1	2%



Q13. Do initial licensure-by-examination applications address the request for special accommodations during administration of the NCLEX-RN/PN?

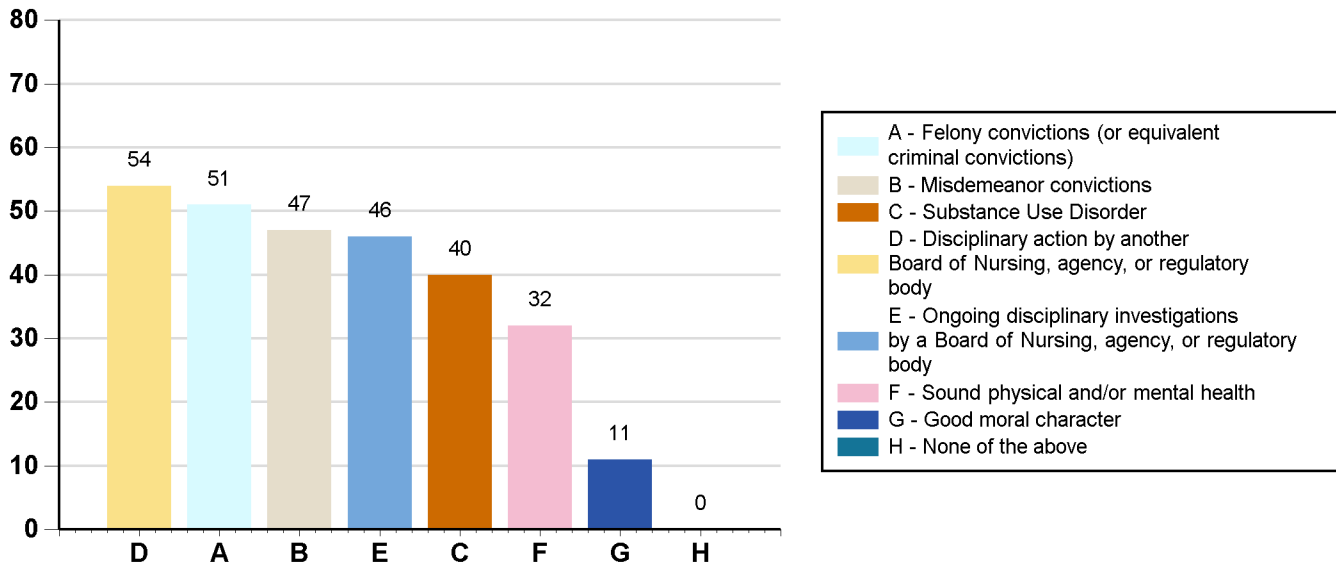


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Responses	Jurisdictions	Number of Boards	Percentage of Boards Responding
No	AZ, CNMI, IA, IL, KY, MI, MO, NE, NM, OK, TN, VT, WA	13	24%
Yes	AK, AL, AR, CA-RN, CA-VN, CO, CT, DC, DE, FL, GA, GU, HI, ID, IN, KS, LA-RN, MA, MD, ME, MN, MS, MT, NC, ND, NH, NJ, NV, OH, OR, PA, RI, SC, SD, TX, UT, VA, VI, WI, WV-PN, WV-RN, WY	42	76%
Do not regulate RN or PN		0	0%



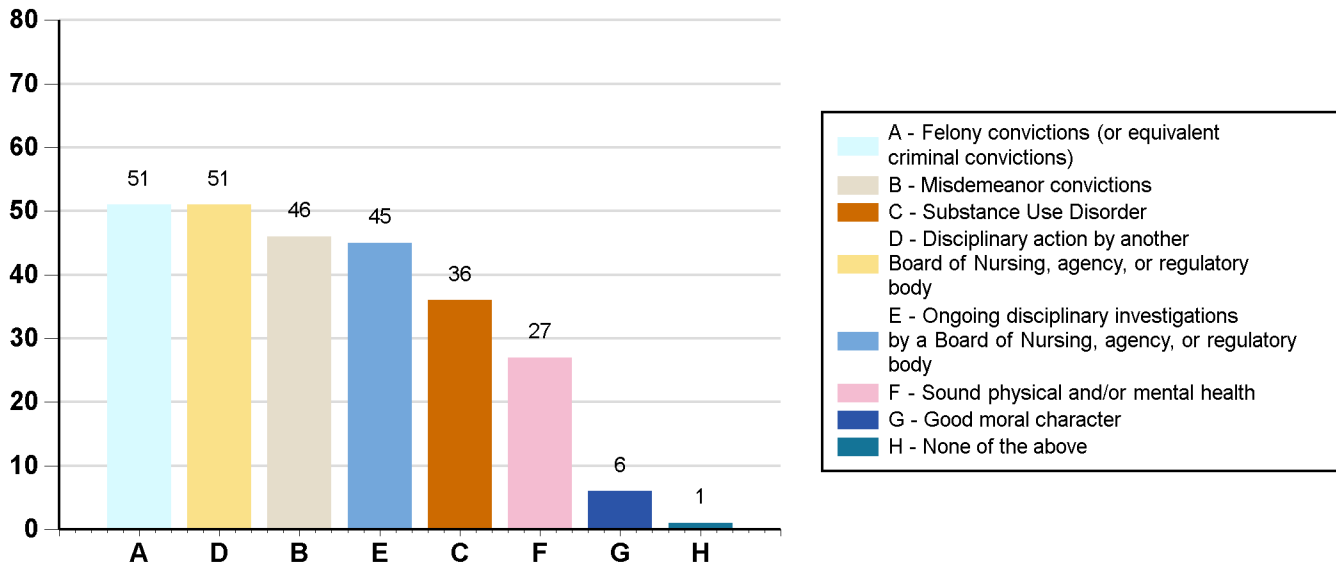
Q14. Do RN or PN initial licensure applications contain questions regarding any of the following? (Check all that apply)



Responses	Jurisdictions	Number of Boards	Percentage of Boards Responding
Felony convictions (or equivalent criminal convictions)	AK, AL, AR, AZ, CA-RN, CO, CT, DC, DE, FL, GA, GU, HI, IA, ID, IL, IN, KS, KY, LA-RN, MA, MD, ME, MI, MN, MO, MS, MT, NC, ND, NE, NJ, NM, NV, OH, OK, OR, PA, SC, SD, TN, TX, UT, VA, VI, VT, WA, WI, WV-PN, WV-RN, WY	51	94%
Misdemeanor convictions	AK, AL, AR, CA-RN, CNMI, CO, DC, FL, GA, GU, HI, IA, ID, IL, IN, KS, KY, LA-RN, MA, MD, ME, MI, MN, MO, MS, MT, NC, NE, NH, NJ, NV, OH, OK, OR, PA, SC, SD, TN, TX, UT, VA, VI, VT, WA, WV-PN, WV-RN, WY	47	87%
Substance Use Disorder	AK, AL, AR, AZ, CNMI, CO, DC, DE, GA, GU, ID, IL, IN, KS, LA-RN, ME, MN, MO, MS, MT, NC, ND, NH, NJ, NV, OR, PA, SC, SD, TN, TX, UT, VA, VI, VT, WA, WI, WV-PN, WV-RN, WY	40	74%
Disciplinary action by another Board of Nursing, agency, or regulatory body	AK, AL, AR, AZ, CA-RN, CNMI, CO, CT, DC, DE, FL, GA, GU, HI, IA, ID, IL, IN, KS, KY, LA-RN, MA, MD, ME, MI, MN, MO, MS, MT, NC, ND, NE, NH, NJ, NM, NV, OH, OK, OR, PA, RI, SC, SD, TN, TX, UT, VA, VI, VT, WA, WI, WV-PN, WV-RN, WY	54	100%
Ongoing disciplinary investigations by a Board of Nursing, agency, or regulatory body	AK, AL, AR, AZ, CNMI, CO, CT, DC, DE, FL, GA, GU, HI, ID, IN, KS, KY, LA-RN, MA, ME, MN, MO, MT, NC, ND, NE, NH, NJ, NM, OH, OK, OR, PA, RI, SC, SD, TN, TX, UT, VA, VT, WA, WI, WV-PN, WV-RN, WY	46	85%
Sound physical and/or mental health	AK, CO, DC, DE, FL, GU, IL, IN, KS, LA-RN, ME, MN, MT, NC, ND, NH, NJ, NV, OR, SC, SD, TN, TX, UT, VA, VI, VT, WA, WI, WV-PN, WV-RN, WY	32	59%
Good moral character	GU, MA, MI, MO, MT, TN, TX, UT, VI, VT, WV-RN	11	20%
None of the above		0	0%



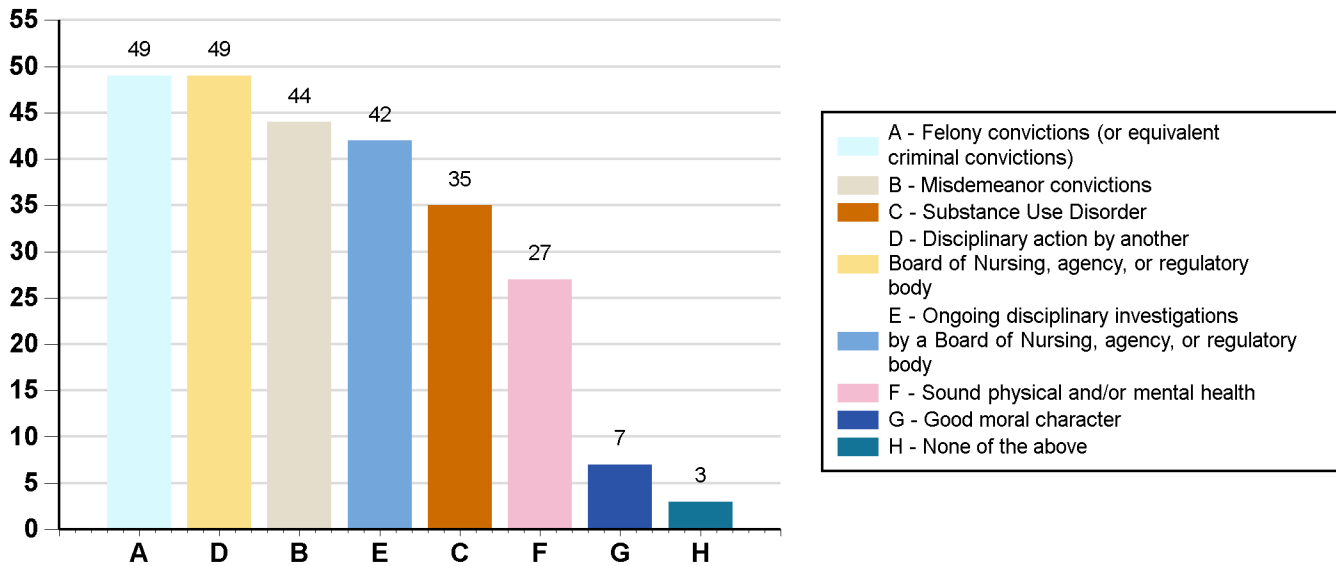
Q15. Do RN or PN renewal licensure applications contain questions regarding any of the following? (Check all that apply)



Responses	Jurisdictions	Number of Boards	Percentage of Boards Responding
Felony convictions (or equivalent criminal convictions)	AK, AL, AR, AZ, CA-RN, CO, CT, DC, DE, FL, GA, GU, HI, IA, ID, IL, IN, KS, KY, LA-RN, MD, ME, MI, MN, MO, MS, MT, NC, ND, NE, NH, NJ, NM, NV, OH, OK, OR, PA, SC, SD, TN, TX, UT, VA, VI, VT, WA, WI, WV-PN, WV-RN, WY	51	94%
Misdemeanor convictions	AK, AL, AR, AZ, CA-RN, CNMI, CO, DC, FL, GA, GU, HI, IA, ID, IN, KS, KY, LA-RN, MD, ME, MI, MN, MO, MS, MT, NC, NE, NH, NJ, NV, OH, OK, OR, PA, SC, SD, TN, TX, UT, VA, VI, VT, WA, WV-PN, WV-RN, WY	46	85%
Substance Use Disorder	AK, AL, AR, AZ, CNMI, CO, DC, DE, GA, GU, ID, IN, KS, LA-RN, ME, MN, MS, NC, ND, NH, NJ, NV, OR, PA, SC, SD, TN, TX, VA, VI, VT, WA, WI, WV-PN, WV-RN, WY	36	67%
Disciplinary action by another Board of Nursing, agency, or regulatory body	AK, AL, AR, AZ, CA-RN, CNMI, CO, CT, DC, DE, GA, GU, HI, IA, ID, IN, KS, KY, LA-RN, MD, ME, MI, MN, MO, MS, MT, NC, ND, NE, NH, NJ, NM, NV, OH, OK, OR, PA, RI, SC, SD, TN, TX, UT, VA, VI, VT, WA, WI, WV-PN, WV-RN, WY	51	94%
Ongoing disciplinary investigations by a Board of Nursing, agency, or regulatory body	AK, AL, AR, AZ, CNMI, CO, CT, DC, DE, GU, HI, ID, IN, KS, KY, LA-RN, ME, MI, MN, MO, MT, NC, ND, NE, NH, NJ, NM, OH, OK, OR, PA, RI, SC, SD, TN, TX, UT, VA, VI, VT, WA, WI, WV-PN, WV-RN, WY	45	83%
Sound physical and/or mental health	AK, CO, DC, DE, GU, IN, KS, LA-RN, ME, MN, MS, NC, ND, NH, NJ, NV, OR, SC, SD, TN, TX, VA, VT, WA, WI, WV-PN, WY	27	50%
Good moral character	GU, MI, MO, TN, TX, VT	6	11%
None of the above	MA	1	2%



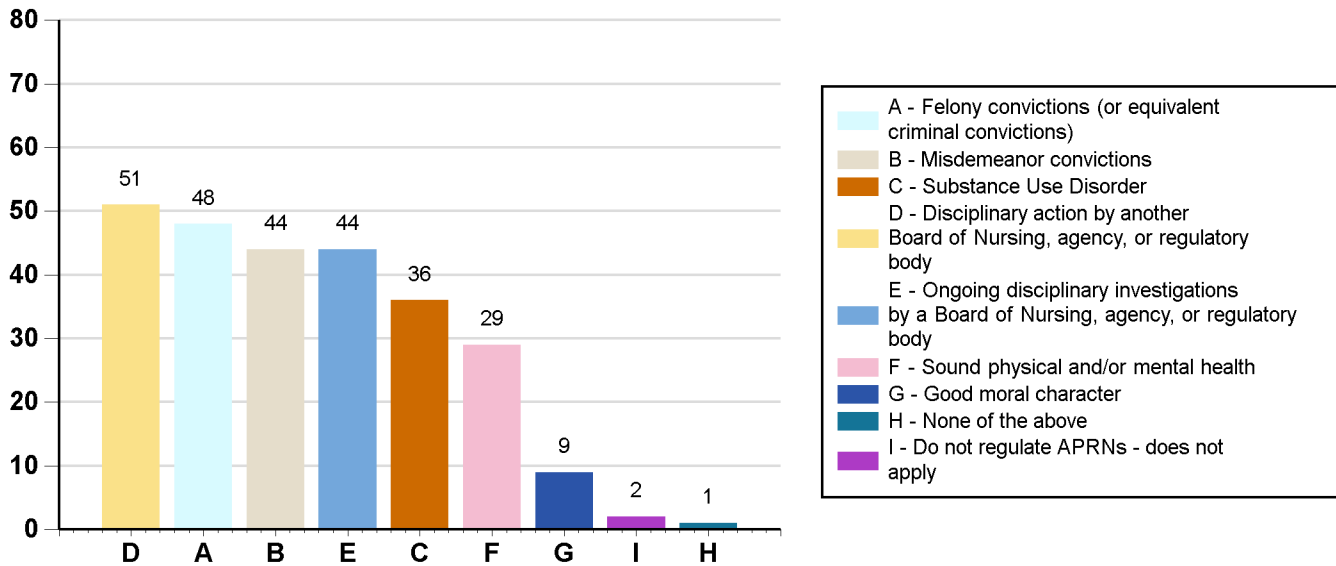
Q16. Do RN or PN expired or inactive licensure applications contain questions regarding any of the following? (Check all that apply)



Responses	Jurisdictions	Number of Boards	Percentage of Boards Responding
Felony convictions (or equivalent criminal convictions)	AK, AL, AR, AZ, CA-RN, CO, CT, DC, DE, FL, GA, GU, HI, IA, ID, IL, IN, KS, KY, LA-RN, MD, ME, MI, MN, MO, MS, MT, NC, ND, NE, NH, NJ, NM, NV, OH, OK, OR, PA, SC, SD, TN, TX, UT, VA, VI, VT, WA, WV-PN, WV-RN	49	91%
Misdemeanor convictions	AK, AL, AR, AZ, CA-RN, CNMI, CO, DC, FL, GA, GU, HI, IA, ID, IN, KS, LA-RN, MD, ME, MI, MN, MO, MS, MT, NC, NE, NH, NJ, NV, OH, OK, OR, PA, SC, SD, TN, TX, UT, VA, VI, VT, WA, WV-PN, WV-RN	44	81%
Substance Use Disorder	AK, AL, AR, AZ, CO, DC, DE, GA, GU, ID, IN, KS, KY, LA-RN, ME, MN, MO, MS, NC, ND, NH, NJ, NV, OR, PA, SC, SD, TN, TX, UT, VA, VT, WA, WV-PN, WV-RN	35	65%
Disciplinary action by another Board of Nursing, agency, or regulatory body	AK, AL, AR, AZ, CA-RN, CNMI, CO, CT, DC, DE, GA, GU, HI, IA, ID, IN, KS, KY, LA-RN, MD, ME, MI, MN, MO, MS, MT, NC, ND, NE, NH, NJ, NM, NV, OH, OK, OR, PA, RI, SC, SD, TN, TX, UT, VA, VI, VT, WA, WV-PN, WV-RN	49	91%
Ongoing disciplinary investigations by a Board of Nursing, agency, or regulatory body	AK, AL, AR, AZ, CNMI, CO, CT, DC, DE, GU, HI, ID, IN, KS, KY, LA-RN, ME, MN, MO, MT, NC, ND, NE, NH, NJ, NM, OH, OK, OR, PA, RI, SC, SD, TN, TX, UT, VA, VI, VT, WA, WV-PN, WV-RN	42	78%
Sound physical and/or mental health	AK, CO, DC, DE, GU, IN, KS, LA-RN, ME, MN, MS, NC, ND, NH, NJ, NV, OR, SC, SD, TN, TX, UT, VA, VT, WA, WV-PN, WV-RN	27	50%
Good moral character	GU, MI, MO, TN, TX, UT, VT	7	13%
None of the above	MA, WI, WY	3	6%



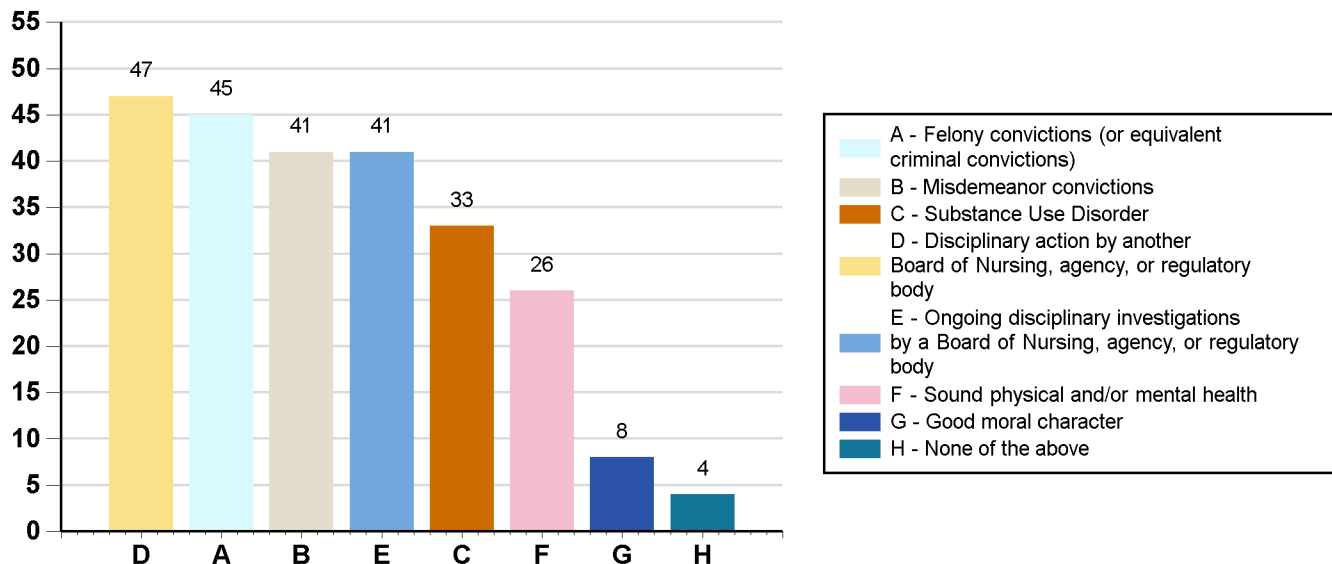
Q17. Do APRN initial licensure applications contain questions regarding any of the following? (Check all that apply)



Responses	Jurisdictions	Number of Boards	Percentage of Boards Responding
Felony convictions (or equivalent criminal convictions)	AL, AR, AZ, CA-RN, CO, CT, DC, DE, FL, GA, GU, HI, IA, ID, IL, IN, KS, KY, LA-RN, MA, MD, ME, MI, MN, MS, MT, NC, ND, NE, NH, NJ, NM, NV, OH, OK, OR, PA, SC, SD, TN, TX, UT, VA, VI, VT, WA, WV-RN, WY	48	89%
Misdemeanor convictions	AL, AR, CA-RN, CNMI, CO, DC, FL, GA, GU, HI, IA, ID, IL, IN, KS, KY, LA-RN, MA, MD, ME, MI, MN, MS, MT, NC, NE, NH, NJ, NV, OH, OK, OR, PA, SC, SD, TN, TX, UT, VA, VI, VT, WA, WV-RN, WY	44	81%
Substance Use Disorder	AL, AR, AZ, CNMI, CO, DC, DE, GA, GU, ID, IL, IN, KS, LA-RN, ME, MN, MS, MT, NC, ND, NH, NJ, NV, OR, PA, SC, SD, TN, TX, UT, VA, VI, VT, WA, WV-RN, WY	36	67%
Disciplinary action by another Board of Nursing, agency, or regulatory body	AL, AR, AZ, CA-RN, CNMI, CO, CT, DC, DE, FL, GA, GU, HI, IA, ID, IL, IN, KS, KY, LA-RN, MA, MD, ME, MI, MN, MO, MS, MT, NC, ND, NE, NH, NJ, NM, NV, OH, OK, OR, PA, RI, SC, SD, TN, TX, UT, VA, VI, VT, WA, WV-RN, WY	51	94%
Ongoing disciplinary investigations by a Board of Nursing, agency, or regulatory body	AL, AR, AZ, CNMI, CO, CT, DC, DE, FL, GA, GU, HI, ID, IN, KS, KY, LA-RN, MA, ME, MN, MO, MT, NC, ND, NE, NH, NJ, NM, OH, OK, OR, PA, RI, SC, SD, TN, TX, UT, VA, VI, VT, WA, WV-RN, WY	44	81%
Sound physical and/or mental health	CO, DC, DE, FL, GU, IL, IN, KS, LA-RN, ME, MN, MT, NC, ND, NH, NJ, NV, OR, SC, SD, TN, TX, UT, VA, VI, VT, WA, WV-RN, WY	29	54%
Good moral character	GU, MA, MI, MT, TN, TX, UT, VI, VT	9	17%
None of the above	AK	1	2%
Do not regulate APRNs - does not apply	WI, WV-PN	2	4%



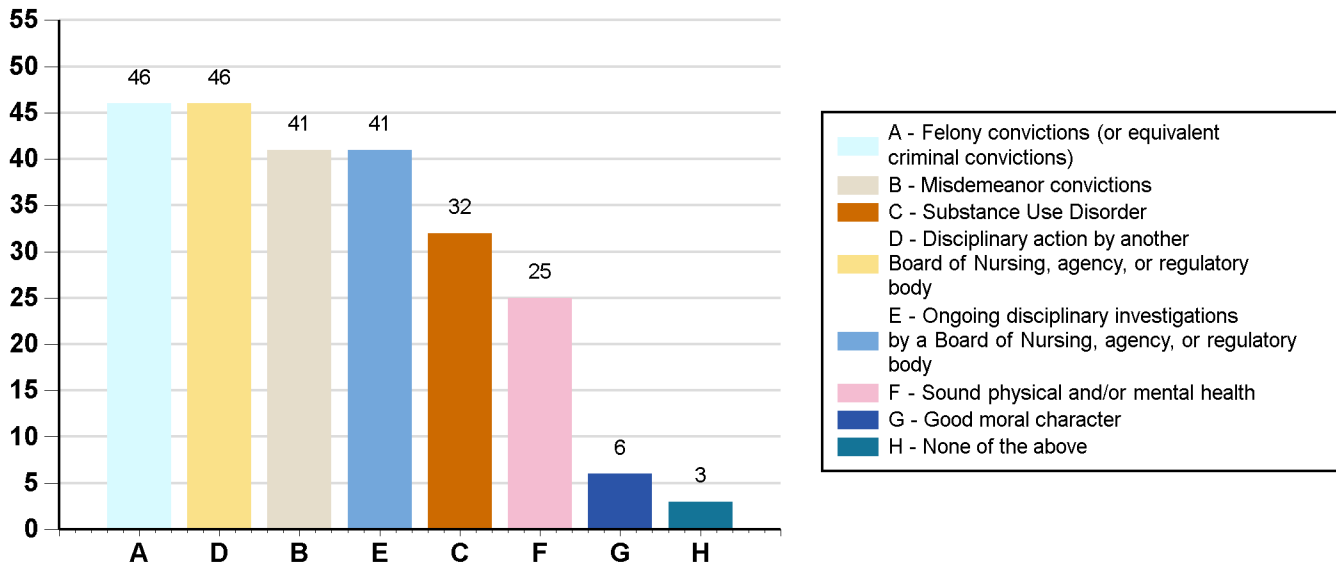
Q18. Do APRN endorsement licensure applications contain questions regarding any of the following? (Check all that apply)



Responses	Jurisdictions	Number of Boards	Percentage of Boards Responding
Felony convictions (or equivalent criminal convictions)	AL, AR, AZ, CA-RN, CO, CT, DC, DE, FL, GA, GU, HI, IA, ID, IL, IN, KS, KY, LA-RN, MA, MD, ME, MI, MN, MS, MT, NC, ND, NE, NJ, NM, NV, OH, OK, OR, PA, SC, SD, TX, UT, VA, VI, VT, WA, WY	45	87%
Misdemeanor convictions	AL, AR, CA-RN, CNMI, CO, DC, FL, GA, GU, HI, IA, ID, IL, IN, KS, KY, LA-RN, MA, MD, ME, MI, MN, MS, MT, NC, NE, NJ, NV, OH, OK, OR, PA, SC, SD, TX, UT, VA, VI, VT, WA, WY	41	79%
Substance Use Disorder	AL, AR, AZ, CNMI, CO, DC, DE, GA, GU, ID, IL, IN, KS, LA-RN, ME, MN, MS, MT, NC, ND, NJ, NV, OR, PA, SC, SD, TX, UT, VA, VI, VT, WA, WY	33	63%
Disciplinary action by another Board of Nursing, agency, or regulatory body	AL, AR, AZ, CA-RN, CNMI, CO, CT, DC, DE, FL, GA, GU, IA, ID, IL, IN, KS, KY, LA-RN, MA, MD, ME, MI, MN, MO, MS, MT, NC, ND, NE, NJ, NM, NV, OH, OK, OR, PA, RI, SC, SD, TX, UT, VA, VI, VT, WA, WY	47	90%
Ongoing disciplinary investigations by a Board of Nursing, agency, or regulatory body	AL, AR, AZ, CNMI, CO, CT, DC, DE, FL, GA, GU, HI, ID, IN, KS, KY, LA-RN, MA, ME, MN, MO, MT, NC, ND, NE, NJ, NM, OH, OK, OR, PA, RI, SC, SD, TX, UT, VA, VI, VT, WA, WY	41	79%
Sound physical and/or mental health	CO, DC, DE, FL, GU, IL, IN, KS, LA-RN, ME, MN, MT, NC, ND, NJ, NV, OR, SC, SD, TX, UT, VA, VI, VT, WA, WY	26	50%
Good moral character	GU, MA, MI, MT, TX, UT, VI, VT	8	15%
None of the above	AK, NH, TN, WV-RN	4	8%



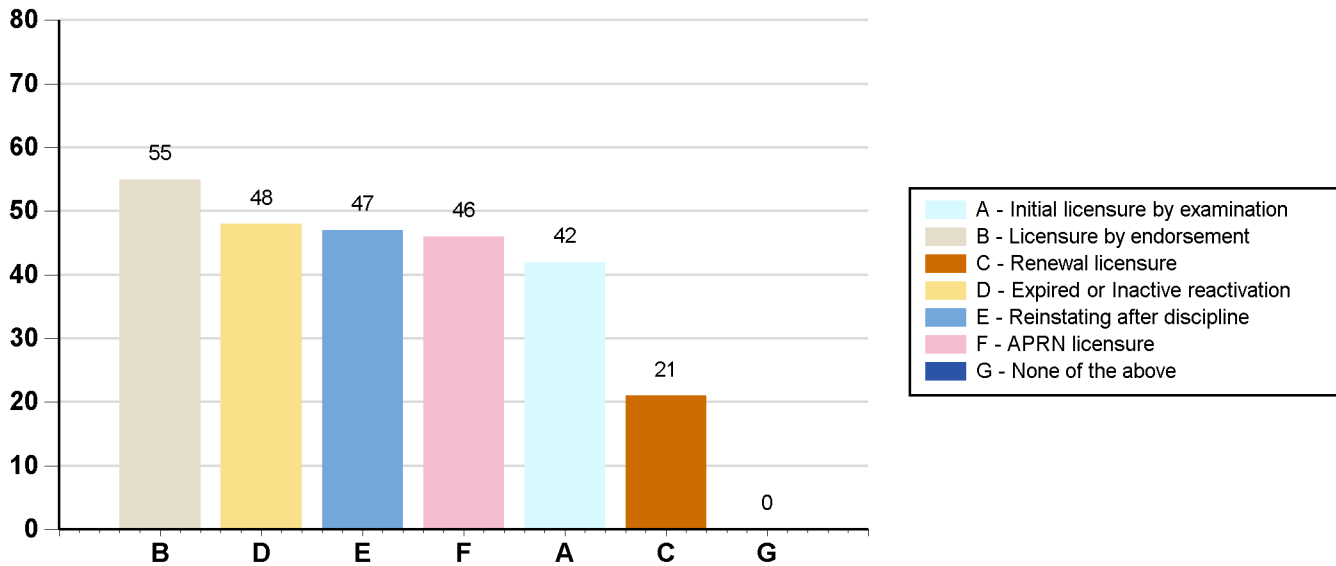
Q19. Do APRN expired or inactive licensure applications contain questions regarding any of the following? (Check all that apply)



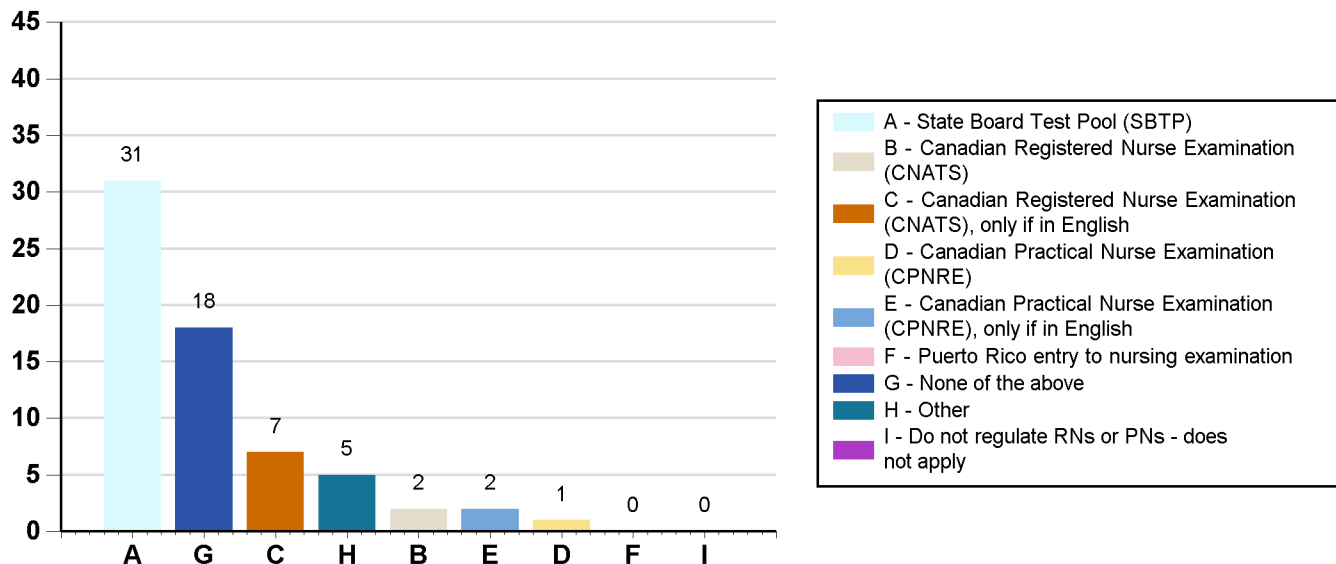
Responses	Jurisdictions	Number of Boards	Percentage of Boards Responding
Felony convictions (or equivalent criminal convictions)	AL, AR, AZ, CA-RN, CNMI, CO, CT, DC, DE, FL, GA, GU, HI, IA, ID, IL, IN, KS, KY, LA-RN, MD, ME, MN, MS, MT, NC, ND, NE, NH, NJ, NM, NV, OH, OK, OR, PA, SC, SD, TN, TX, UT, VA, VI, VT, WA, WV-RN	46	88%
Misdemeanor convictions	AL, AR, AZ, CA-RN, CO, DC, FL, GA, GU, HI, IA, ID, IN, KS, KY, LA-RN, MD, ME, MI, MN, MS, MT, NC, NE, NH, NJ, NV, OH, OK, OR, PA, SC, SD, TN, TX, UT, VA, VI, VT, WA, WV-RN	41	79%
Substance Use Disorder	AL, AR, AZ, CNMI, CO, DC, DE, GA, GU, ID, IN, KS, LA-RN, ME, MN, MS, NC, ND, NH, NJ, NV, OR, PA, SC, SD, TN, TX, UT, VA, VT, WA, WV-RN	32	62%
Disciplinary action by another Board of Nursing, agency, or regulatory body	AL, AR, AZ, CA-RN, CNMI, CO, CT, DC, DE, GA, GU, HI, IA, ID, IN, KS, KY, LA-RN, MD, ME, MI, MN, MO, MS, MT, NC, ND, NE, NH, NJ, NM, OH, OK, OR, PA, RI, SC, SD, TN, TX, UT, VA, VI, VT, WA, WV-RN	46	88%
Ongoing disciplinary investigations by a Board of Nursing, agency, or regulatory body	AL, AR, AZ, CNMI, CO, CT, DC, DE, GA, GU, HI, ID, IN, KS, KY, LA-RN, ME, MN, MO, MT, NC, ND, NE, NH, NJ, NM, OH, OK, OR, PA, RI, SC, SD, TN, TX, UT, VA, VI, VT, WA, WV-RN	41	79%
Sound physical and/or mental health	CO, DC, DE, GU, IN, KS, LA-RN, ME, MN, MS, NC, ND, NH, NJ, NV, OR, SC, SD, TN, TX, UT, VA, VT, WA, WV-RN	25	48%
Good moral character	GU, MI, TN, TX, UT, VT	6	12%
None of the above	AK, MA, WY	3	6%

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Q20. Is the presence/absence of disciplinary action on a nursing license verified via NURSYS at any of the following stages of licensure? (Check all that apply)



Responses	Jurisdictions	Number of Boards	Percentage of Boards Responding
Initial licensure by examination	AK, AL, AR, AZ, CA-RN, CO, CT, DC, DE, FL, GU, HI, IA, ID, IN, KS, KY, LA-RN, MA, MD, ME, MI, MN, MO, MS, MT, NC, NE, NH, NM, NV, OH, OK, SC, SD, TN, UT, VA, VT, WI, WV-RN, WY	42	76%
Licensure by endorsement	AK, AL, AR, AZ, CA-RN, CA-VN, CNMI, CO, CT, DC, DE, FL, GA, GU, HI, IA, ID, IL, IN, KS, KY, LA-RN, MA, MD, ME, MI, MN, MO, MS, MT, NC, ND, NE, NH, NJ, NM, NV, OH, OK, OR, PA, RI, SC, SD, TN, TX, UT, VA, VI, VT, WA, WI, WV-PN, WV-RN, WY	55	100%
Renewal licensure	AL, CNMI, CT, DE, GU, HI, IN, LA-RN, MD, ME, MI, MS, NC, NH, NJ, NM, NV, OH, OR, SD, TX	21	38%
Expired or Inactive reactivation	AK, AL, AR, AZ, CA-RN, CNMI, CO, CT, DC, DE, GA, GU, HI, IA, ID, IL, KS, KY, LA-RN, MD, ME, MI, MN, MO, MS, MT, NC, ND, NE, NH, NJ, NM, NV, OH, OK, OR, PA, RI, SC, SD, TN, TX, UT, VA, WA, WI, WV-RN, WY	48	87%
Reinstating after discipline	AK, AL, AR, AZ, CA-RN, CNMI, CO, CT, DC, DE, GA, GU, HI, IA, ID, IL, IN, KY, LA-RN, MA, MD, ME, MI, MN, MS, MT, NC, ND, NE, NH, NJ, NM, NV, OH, OK, OR, PA, RI, SC, SD, TN, TX, UT, VA, VI, WA, WI	47	85%
APRN licensure	AK, AL, AR, AZ, CA-RN, CNMI, CO, CT, DC, DE, FL, GU, HI, IA, ID, IL, IN, KS, KY, LA-RN, MA, ME, MI, MN, MS, MT, NC, ND, NE, NH, NJ, NM, NV, OH, OK, OR, PA, RI, SC, SD, TN, TX, VA, VI, WA, WV-RN	46	84%
None of the above		0	0%

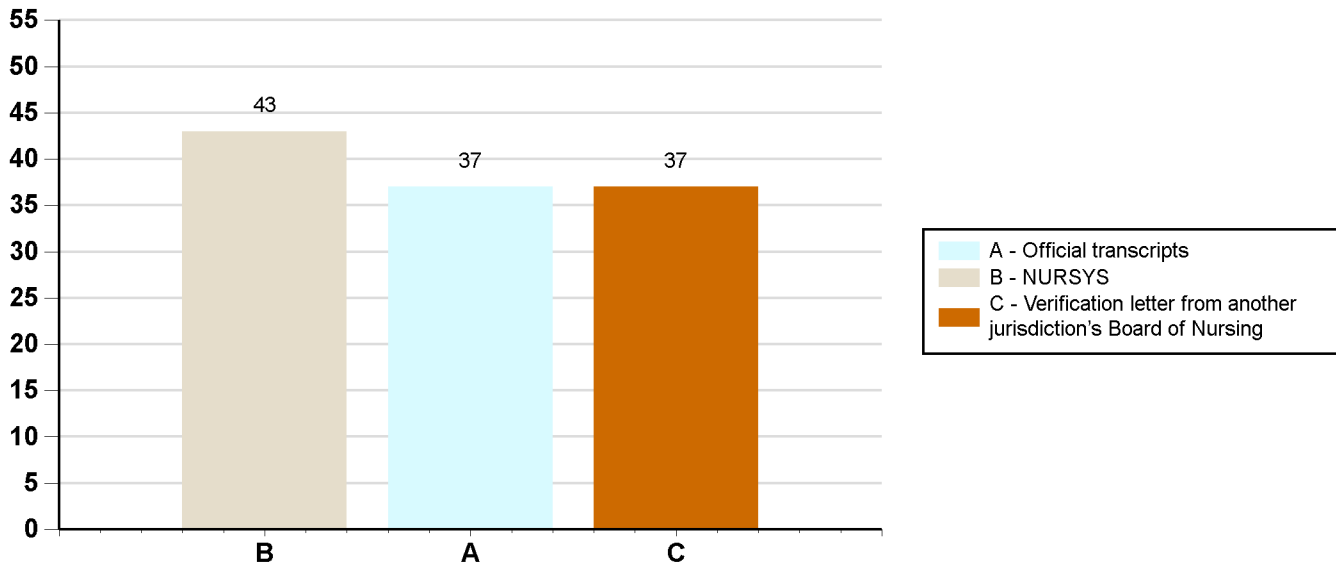
Q21. Which examinations, other than NCLEX, are accepted for licensure by endorsement? (Check all that apply)


Responses	Jurisdictions	Number of Boards	Percentage of Boards Responding
State Board Test Pool (SBTP)	AK, AR, AZ, CA-RN, CT, DC, FL, GA, HI, IA, ID, IL, KS, KY, MA, MN, MO, MT, NC, ND, NE, OK, OR, PA, SC, SD, TN, TX, UT, WA, WY	31	57%
Canadian Registered Nurse Examination (CNATS)	DC, MA	2	4%
Canadian Registered Nurse Examination (CNATS), only if in English	CA-RN, CT, DE, NC, NE, NH, WI	7	13%
Canadian Practical Nurse Examination (CPNRE)	CT	1	2%
Canadian Practical Nurse Examination (CPNRE), only if in English	NC, WI	2	4%
Puerto Rico entry to nursing examination		0	0%
None of the above	AL, CNMI, GU, IN, LA-RN, MD, ME, MI, MS, NJ, NM, NV, OH, RI, VI, VT, WV-PN, WV-RN	18	33%
Other	CO, CT, ND, UT, VA	5	9%
Do not regulate RNs or PNs - does not apply		0	0%
Other			
	CO	Case by case.	
	CT	If Canadians take CNATS in French they must also take an English proficiency exam	
	ND	CNATs in english if taken between 1979 and 1993.	



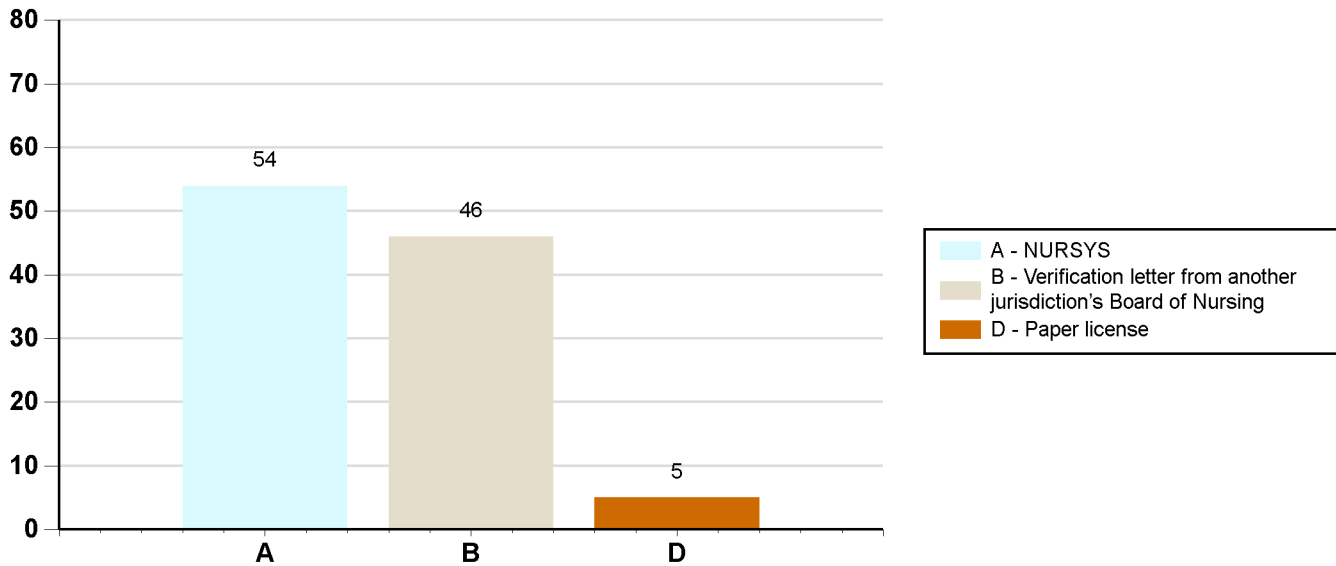
UT	NCLEX-Canada
VA	CRNE

Q22. How is nursing education verified for licensure by endorsement applicants? (Check all that apply)



Responses	Jurisdictions	Number of Boards	Percentage of Boards Responding
Official transcripts	AL, AZ, CA-RN, CNMI, CT, DE, FL, GA, GU, HI, IA, ID, IN, KS, KY, LA-RN, MA, MI, MO, MS, NC, ND, NE, NJ, NM, NV, OH, OK, OR, PA, SC, SD, TN, UT, VI, WA, WI	37	67%
NURSYS	AK, AZ, CA-VN, CNMI, CO, CT, DC, DE, FL, GA, GU, HI, ID, IL, KY, MA, MD, ME, MI, MN, MO, MS, MT, NC, NE, NH, NJ, NM, NV, OH, OK, PA, RI, SC, TX, UT, VA, VT, WA, WI, WV-PN, WV-RN, WY	43	78%
Verification letter from another jurisdiction's Board of Nursing	AR, AZ, CA-VN, CNMI, CO, CT, DC, DE, FL, GA, GU, HI, ID, KY, MA, MD, MI, MO, MS, MT, NC, NH, NJ, NM, NV, OH, OK, PA, RI, SC, TX, UT, VT, WI, WV-PN, WV-RN, WY	37	67%

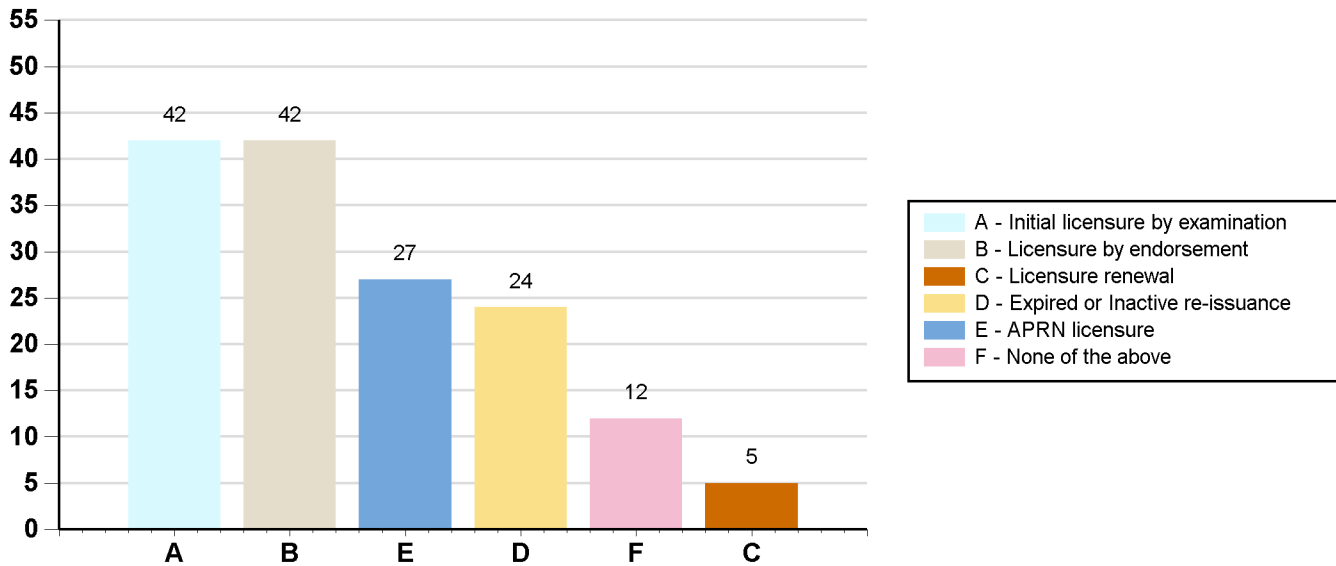
Q23. How are licenses verified for licensure by endorsement applicants? (Check all that apply)



Responses	Jurisdictions	Number of Boards	Percentage of Boards Responding
NURSUS	AK, AL, AZ, CA-RN, CA-VN, CNMI, CO, CT, DC, DE, FL, GA, GU, HI, IA, ID, IL, IN, KS, KY, LA-RN, MA, MD, ME, MI, MN, MO, MS, MT, NC, ND, NE, NH, NJ, NM, NV, OH, OK, OR, PA, RI, SC, SD, TN, TX, UT, VA, VI, VT, WA, WI, WV-PN, WV-RN, WY	54	98%
Verification letter from another jurisdiction's Board of Nursing	AL, AR, AZ, CA-RN, CA-VN, CNMI, CO, CT, DC, DE, FL, GA, GU, HI, IA, ID, KS, KY, MA, MD, MI, MO, MS, MT, NC, ND, NE, NH, NJ, NM, NV, OH, OK, OR, PA, RI, SC, TX, UT, VI, VT, WA, WI, WV-PN, WV-RN, WY	46	84%
Paper license	DE, GU, MI, SC, VI	5	9%

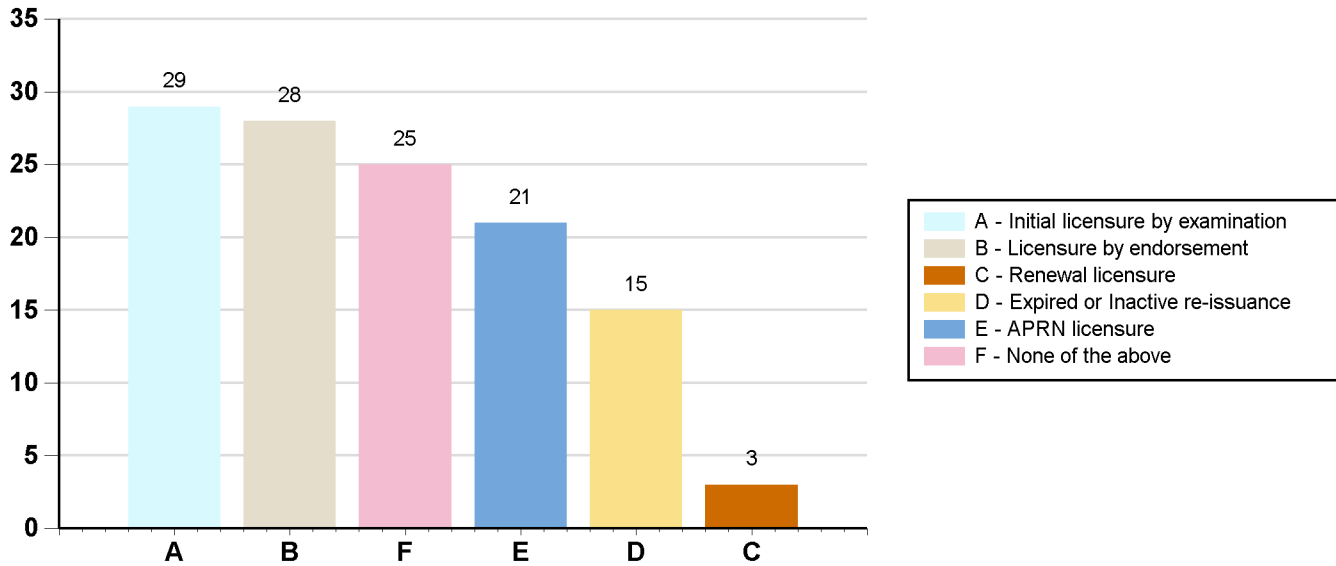
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**Q24. What type of licensure applications require a fingerprint-based/biometric criminal background check?
(Check all that apply)**



Responses	Jurisdictions	Number of Boards	Percentage of Boards Responding
Initial licensure by examination	AK, AR, AZ, CA-RN, CA-VN, DC, DE, FL, GA, HI, IA, ID, IL, IN, KS, KY, LA-RN, MD, MI, MO, MS, MT, NC, ND, NE, NH, NJ, NM, NV, OH, OK, OR, RI, SC, SD, TN, TX, UT, VA, WV-PN, WV-RN, WY	42	76%
Licensure by endorsement	AK, AR, AZ, CA-RN, CA-VN, DC, DE, FL, GA, HI, IA, ID, IL, IN, KS, KY, LA-RN, MD, MI, MO, MS, MT, NC, ND, NE, NH, NJ, NM, NV, OH, OK, OR, RI, SC, SD, TN, TX, UT, VA, WA, WV-PN, WY	42	76%
Licensure renewal	DC, HI, MD, NV, TX	5	9%
Expired or Inactive re-issuance	AZ, DC, DE, GA, HI, IA, ID, IL, KY, MD, MI, MO, MS, NC, ND, NE, NJ, NV, OH, OR, SC, TX, UT, VA	24	44%
APRN licensure	AR, AZ, DC, DE, FL, HI, ID, IN, KS, KY, LA-RN, MI, MS, MT, ND, NE, NH, NJ, NV, OH, OK, OR, RI, SC, TX, UT, WY	27	49%
None of the above	AL, CNMI, CO, CT, GU, MA, ME, MN, PA, VI, VT, WI	12	22%

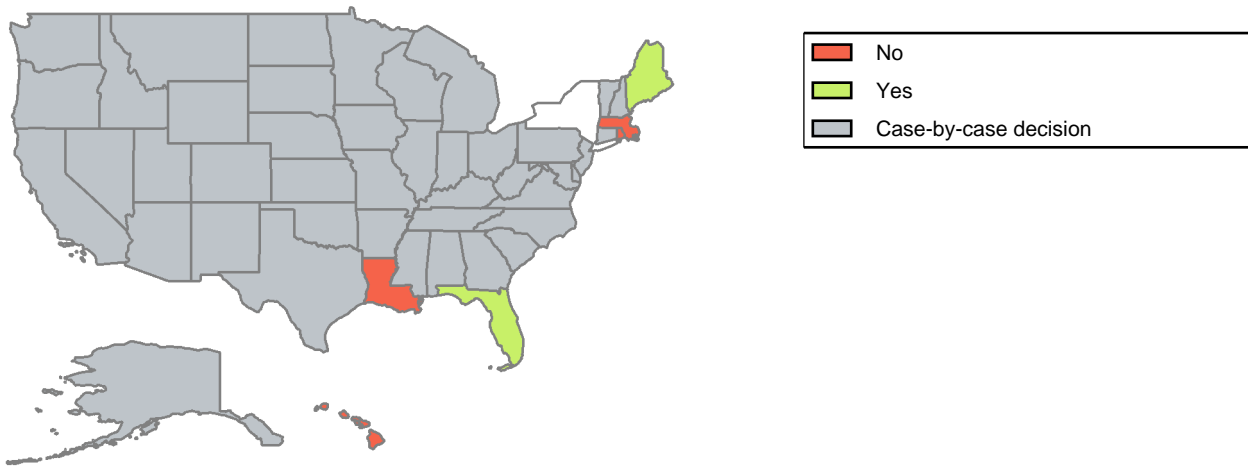
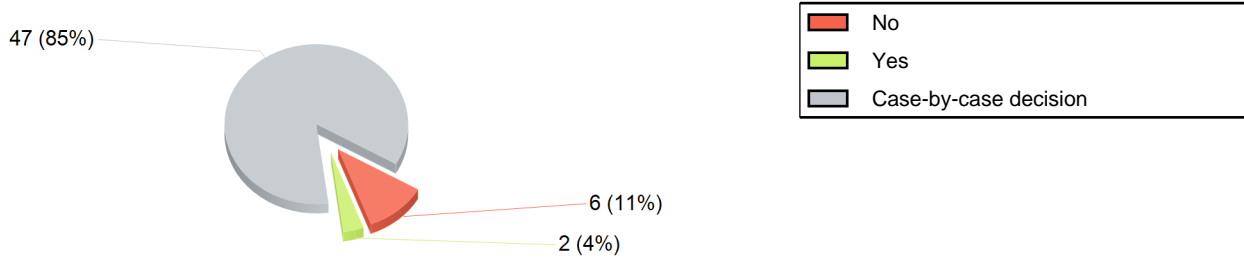
Q25. What type of licensure applications require a name-based criminal background check (state police/patrol)? (Check all that apply)



Responses	Jurisdictions	Number of Boards	Percentage of Boards Responding
Initial licensure by examination	AK, AR, AZ, CA-VN, DC, DE, FL, GU, IA, ID, IL, IN, KY, LA-RN, MI, MS, MT, ND, NH, NJ, NM, OH, RI, UT, WA, WI, WV-PN, WV-RN, WY	29	53%
Licensure by endorsement	AK, AR, AZ, CA-VN, DC, DE, FL, GU, IA, ID, IL, IN, KY, LA-RN, MI, MS, MT, ND, NH, NJ, NM, OH, RI, UT, WA, WI, WV-PN, WY	28	51%
Renewal licensure	DC, GU, OR	3	5%
Expired or Inactive re-issuance	AZ, DC, DE, GU, IA, ID, IL, KY, MI, MS, ND, NM, OH, UT, WA	15	27%
APRN licensure	AR, AZ, DC, DE, FL, GU, ID, IL, IN, KY, MI, MS, MT, ND, NH, NJ, OH, RI, UT, WA, WY	21	38%
None of the above	AL, CA-RN, CNMI, CO, CT, GA, HI, KS, MA, MD, ME, MN, MO, NC, NE, NV, OK, PA, SC, SD, TN, TX, VA, VI, VT	25	45%

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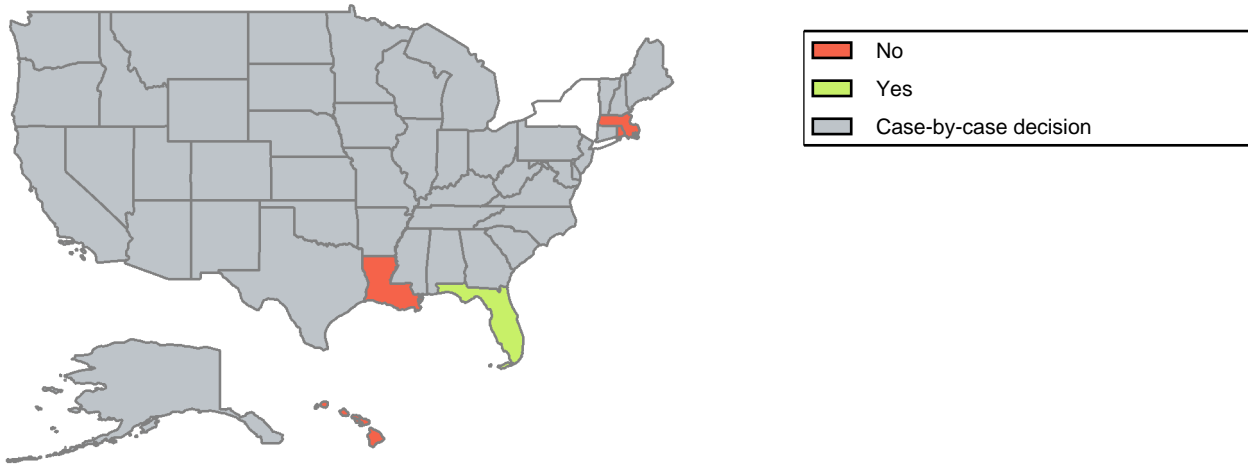
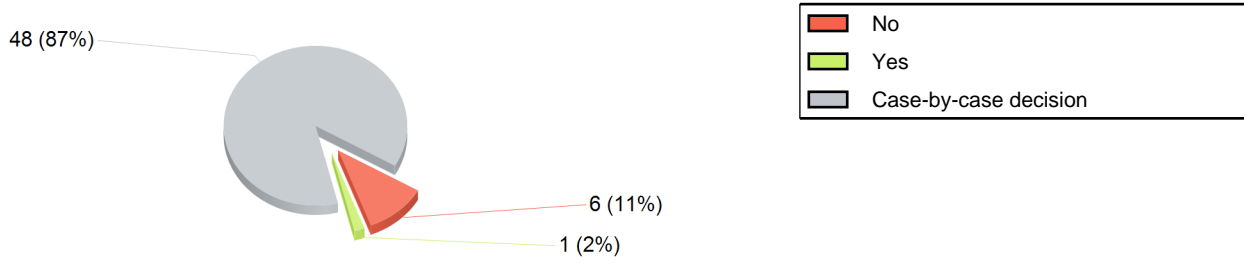
Q26. Are applicants with a restricted license for practice eligible for licensure by endorsement?



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Responses	Jurisdictions	Number of Boards	Percentage of Boards Responding
No	CNMI, GU, HI, LA-RN, MA, RI	6	11%
Yes	FL, ME	2	4%
Case-by-case decision	AK, AL, AR, AZ, CA-RN, CA-VN, CO, CT, DC, DE, GA, IA, ID, IL, IN, KS, KY, MD, MI, MN, MO, MS, MT, NC, ND, NE, NH, NJ, NM, NV, OH, OK, OR, PA, SC, SD, TN, TX, UT, VA, VI, VT, WA, WI, WV-PN, WV-RN, WY	47	85%

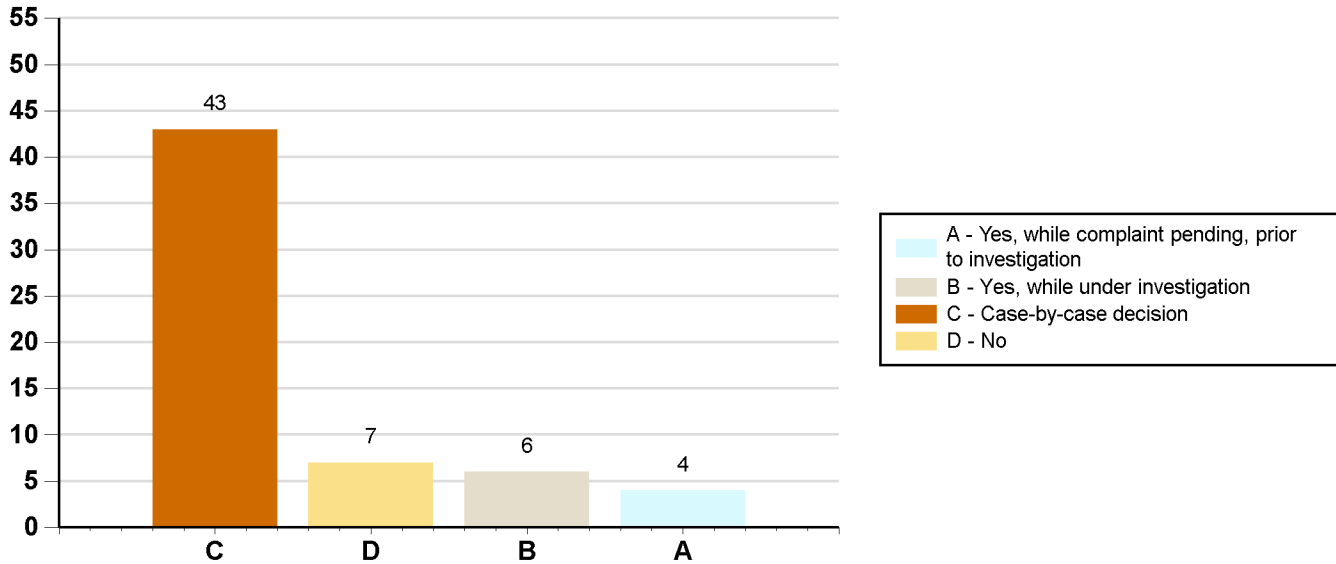
Q27. Are applicants whose license is encumbered by probation eligible for licensure by endorsement?



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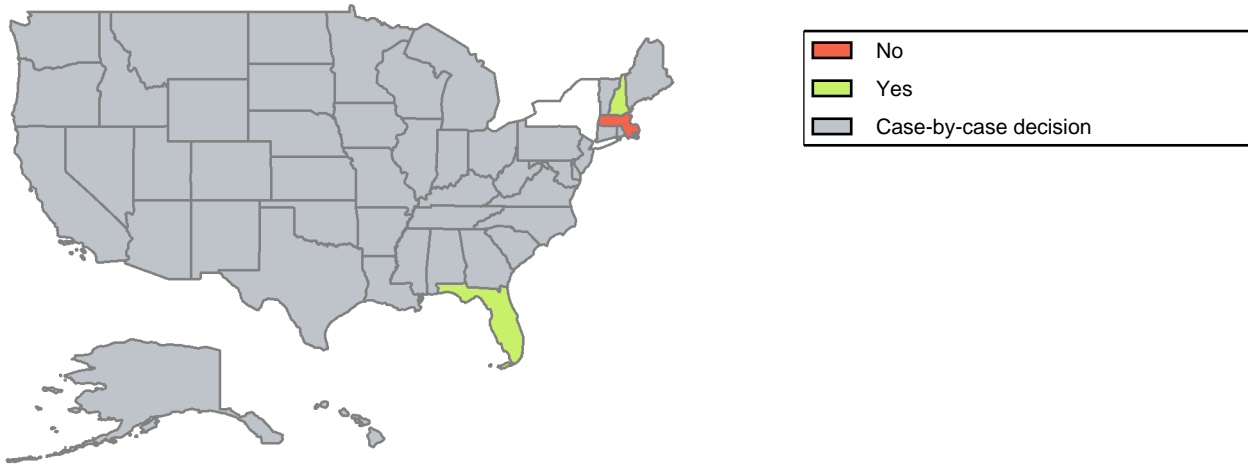
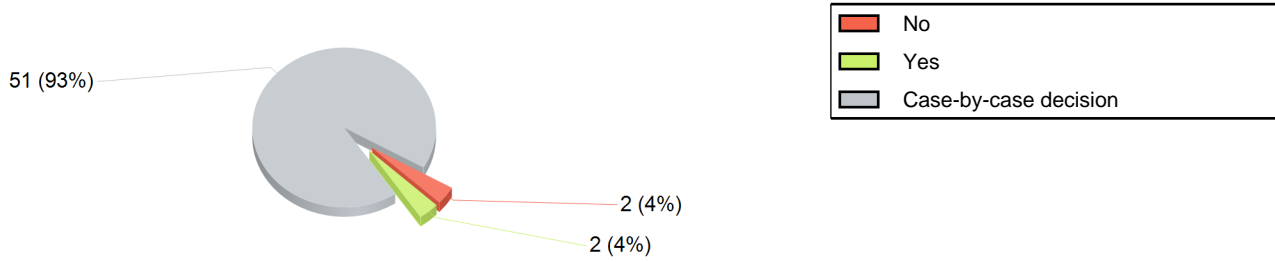
Responses	Jurisdictions	Number of Boards	Percentage of Boards Responding
No	CNMI, GU, HI, LA-RN, MA, RI	6	11%
Yes	FL	1	2%
Case-by-case decision	AK, AL, AR, AZ, CA-RN, CA-VN, CO, CT, DC, DE, GA, IA, ID, IL, IN, KS, KY, MD, ME, MI, MN, MO, MS, MT, NC, ND, NE, NH, NJ, NM, NV, OH, OK, OR, PA, SC, SD, TN, TX, UT, VA, VI, VT, WA, WI, WV-PN, WV-RN, WY	48	87%

Q28. Are applicants whose license is under investigation or have an open complaint eligible for licensure by endorsement? (Check all that apply)



Responses	Jurisdictions	Number of Boards	Percentage of Boards Responding
Yes, while complaint pending, prior to investigation	CA-RN, NH, NM, PA	4	7%
Yes, while under investigation	CA-RN, HI, NH, NM, PA, VT	6	11%
Case-by-case decision	AK, AL, CA-RN, CA-VN, CNMI, CO, DC, DE, FL, GA, IA, ID, IL, IN, KS, KY, MA, MD, ME, MI, MN, MO, MS, MT, NC, ND, NE, NJ, NV, OH, OK, OR, SC, SD, TX, UT, VA, VI, WA, WI, WV-PN, WV-RN, WY	43	78%
No	AR, AZ, CT, GU, LA-RN, RI, TN	7	13%

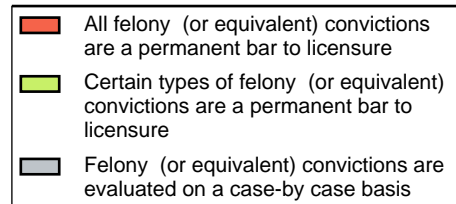
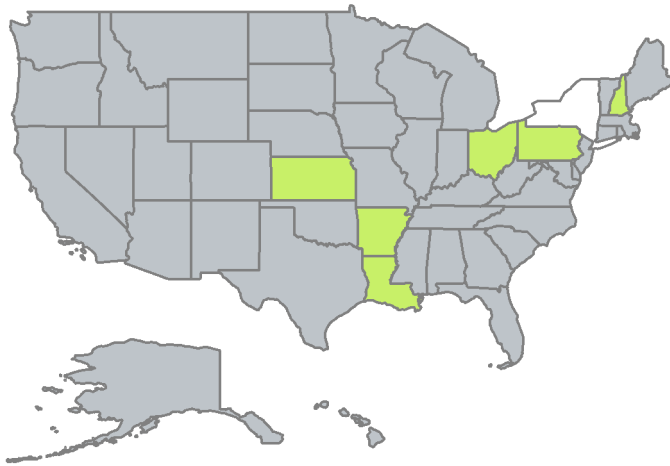
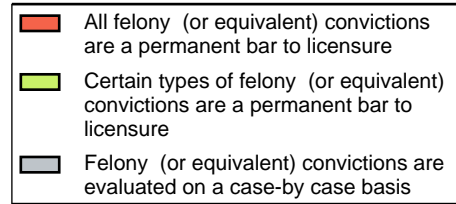
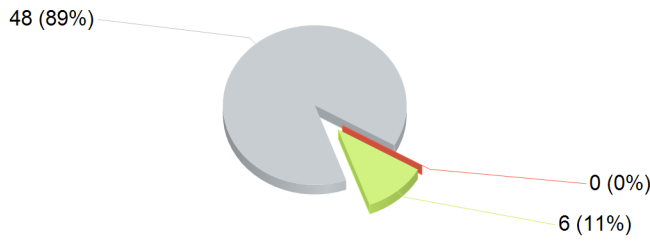
Q29. Are applicants who are participating in an alternative to discipline program eligible for licensure by endorsement?



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Responses	Jurisdictions	Number of Boards	Percentage of Boards Responding
No	GU, MA	2	4%
Yes	FL, NH	2	4%
Case-by-case decision	AK, AL, AR, AZ, CA-RN, CA-VN, CNMI, CO, CT, DC, DE, GA, HI, IA, ID, IL, IN, KS, KY, LA-RN, MD, ME, MI, MN, MO, MS, MT, NC, ND, NE, NJ, NM, NV, OH, OK, OR, PA, RI, SC, SD, TN, TX, UT, VA, VI, VT, WA, WI, WV-PN, WV-RN, WY	51	93%

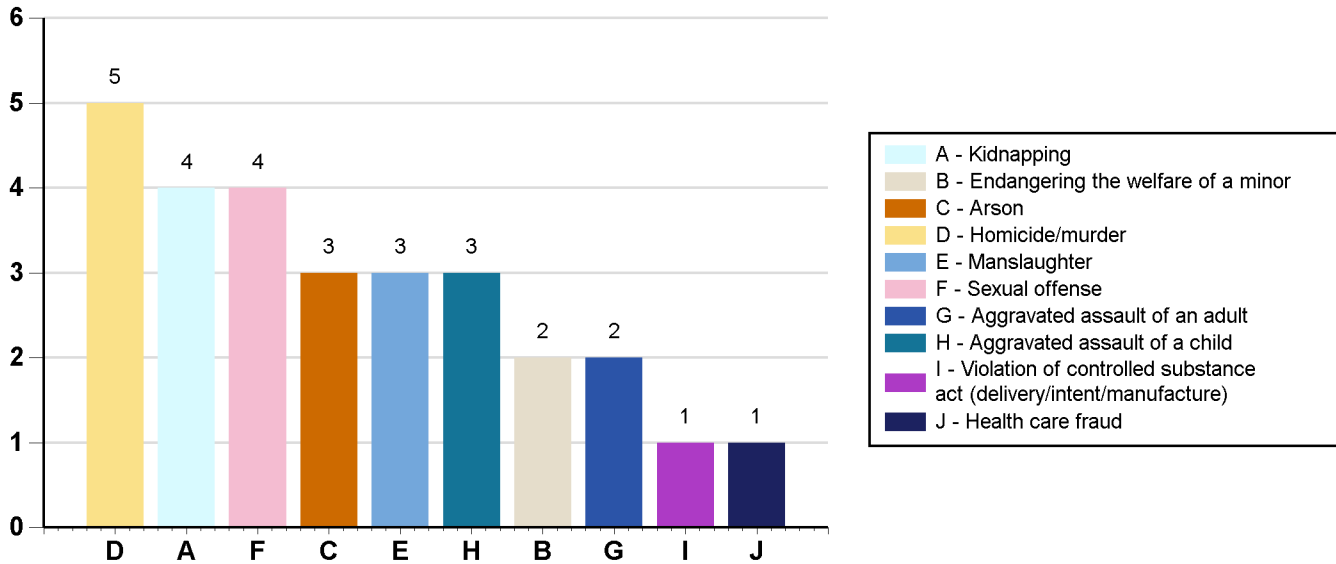
Q30. Which of the following is true regarding applicants with felony (or equivalent) convictions?



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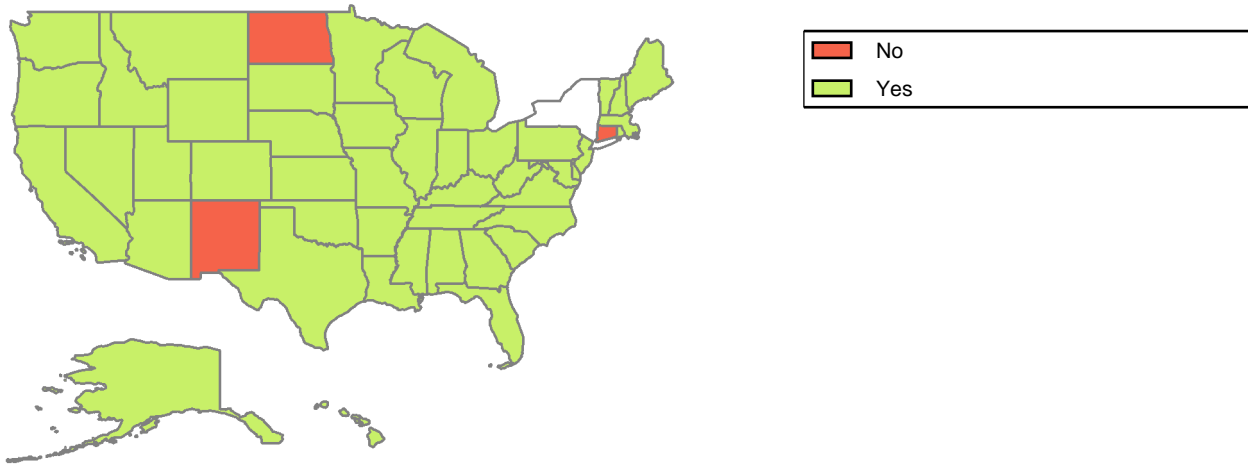
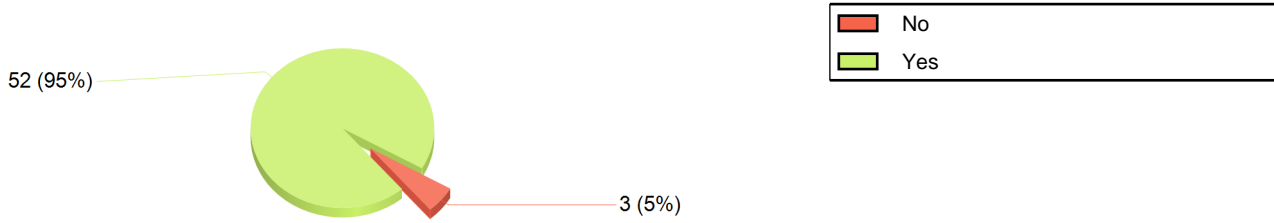
Responses	Jurisdictions	Number of Boards	Percentage of Boards Responding
All felony (or equivalent) convictions are a permanent bar to licensure		0	0%
Certain types of felony (or equivalent) convictions are a permanent bar to licensure	AR, KS, LA-RN, NH, OH, PA	6	11%
Felony (or equivalent) convictions are evaluated on a case-by case basis	AK, AL, AZ, CA-RN, CNMI, CO, CT, DC, DE, FL, GA, GU, HI, IA, ID, IL, IN, KY, MA, MD, ME, MI, MN, MO, MS, MT, NC, ND, NE, NJ, NM, NV, OK, OR, RI, SC, SD, TN, TX, UT, VA, VI, VT, WA, WI, WV-PN, WV-RN, WY	48	89%

Q31. Which of the following felony level convictions (or equivalent criminal convictions) are permanent bars to licensure? (Check all that apply)



Responses	Jurisdictions	Number of Boards	Percentage of Boards Responding
Kidnapping	AR, KS, NH, OH	4	67%
Endangering the welfare of a minor	AR, NH	2	33%
Arson	AR, KS, OH	3	50%
Homicide/murder	AR, KS, LA-RN, NH, OH	5	83%
Manslaughter	KS, NH, OH	3	50%
Sexual offense	AR, LA-RN, NH, OH	4	67%
Aggravated assault of an adult	KS, OH	2	33%
Aggravated assault of a child	KS, NH, OH	3	50%
Violation of controlled substance act (delivery/intent/manufacture)	PA	1	17%
Health care fraud	LA-RN	1	17%

Q32. Are misdemeanor convictions (or equivalent criminal convictions) evaluated prior to licensure?

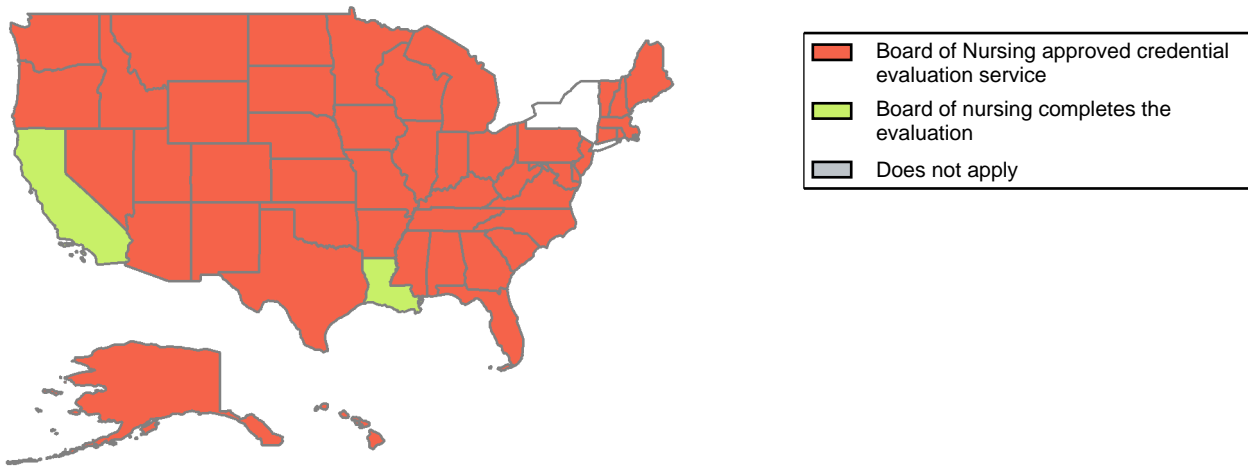
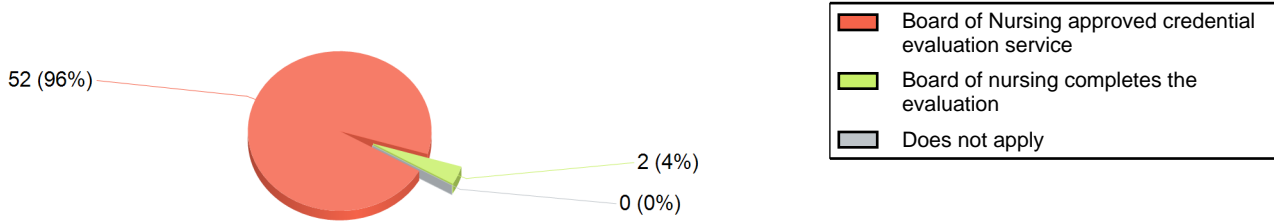


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Responses	Jurisdictions	Number of Boards	Percentage of Boards Responding
No	CT, ND, NM	3	5%
Yes	AK, AL, AR, AZ, CA-RN, CA-VN, CNMI, CO, DC, DE, FL, GA, GU, HI, IA, ID, IL, IN, KS, KY, LA-RN, MA, MD, ME, MI, MN, MO, MS, MT, NC, NE, NH, NJ, NV, OH, OK, OR, PA, RI, SC, SD, TN, TX, UT, VA, VI, VT, WA, WI, WV-PN, WV-RN, WY	52	95%

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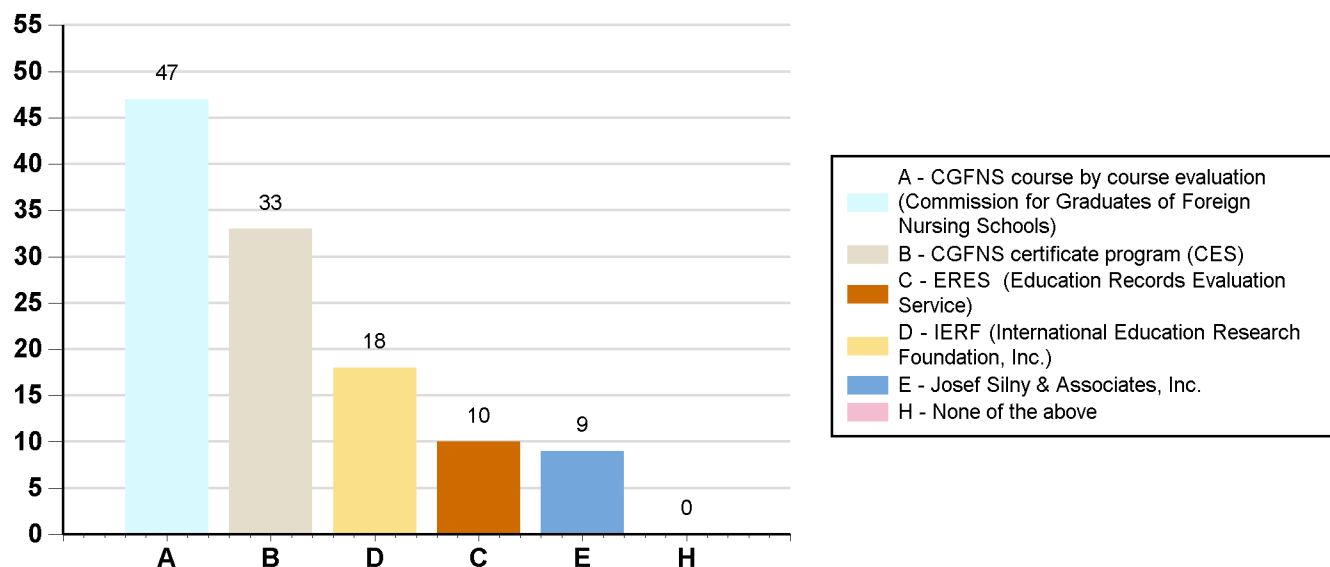
Q33. How are education credential evaluations completed for an internationally educated applicant?



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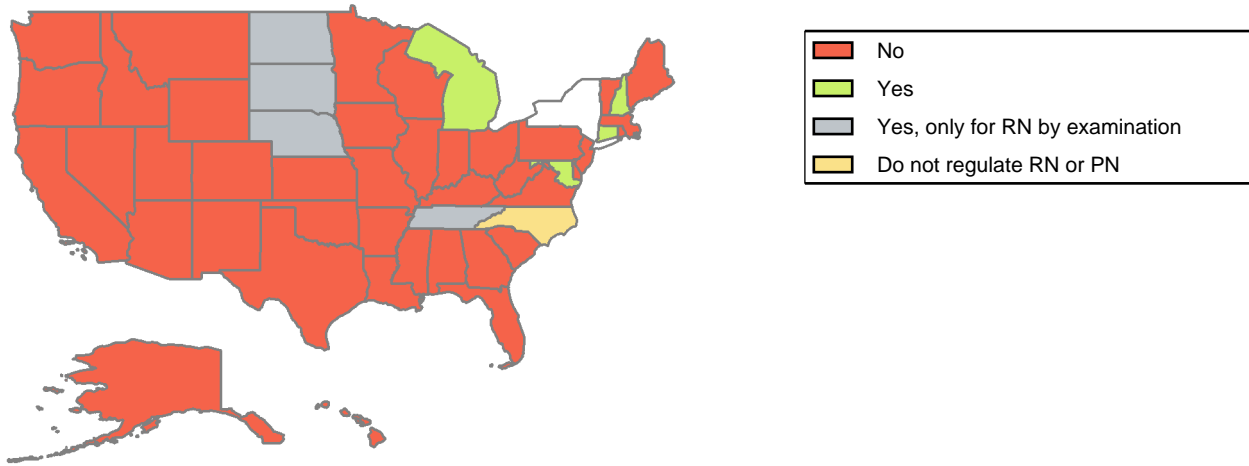
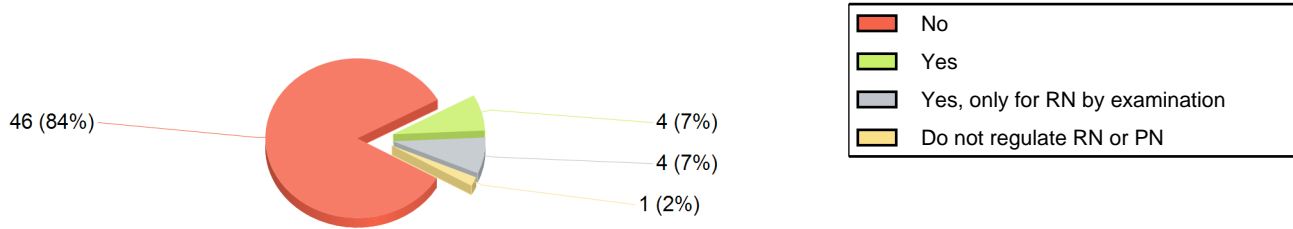
Responses	Jurisdictions	Number of Boards	Percentage of Boards Responding
Board of Nursing approved credential evaluation service	AK, AL, AR, AZ, CNMI, CO, CT, DC, DE, FL, GA, GU, HI, IA, ID, IL, IN, KS, KY, MA, MD, ME, MI, MN, MO, MS, MT, NC, ND, NE, NH, NJ, NM, NV, OH, OK, OR, PA, RI, SC, SD, TN, TX, UT, VA, VI, VT, WA, WI, WV-PN, WV-RN, WY	52	96%
Board of nursing completes the evaluation	CA-RN, LA-RN	2	4%
Does not apply		0	0%

Q34. Which of the following credential evaluation service can be used? (check all that apply)



Responses	Jurisdictions	Number of Boards	Percentage of Boards Responding
CGFNS course by course evaluation (Commission for Graduates of Foreign Nursing Schools)	AK, AL, AR, AZ, CNMI, CO, CT, DE, FL, GA, GU, HI, IA, ID, IL, IN, KS, KY, LA-RN, MD, ME, MI, MN, MO, MS, MT, NE, NH, NJ, NM, OH, OK, OR, PA, RI, SC, SD, TN, TX, UT, VA, VI, VT, WA, WI, WV-RN, WY	47	89%
CGFNS certificate program (CES)	AZ, CT, DC, DE, GA, HI, IA, ID, IL, IN, KY, MA, MD, MI, MN, MS, MT, NC, ND, NE, NH, NV, OK, OR, SD, TN, UT, VA, VI, WI, WV-PN, WV-RN, WY	33	62%
ERES (Education Records Evaluation Service)	AZ, FL, GA, IL, MT, NM, OR, TX, WA, WV-PN	10	19%
IERF (International Education Research Foundation, Inc.)	AR, AZ, CNMI, FL, GA, MN, MO, MT, NC, ND, NM, NV, OR, TX, VT, WA, WI, WV-PN	18	34%
Josef Silny & Associates, Inc.	AZ, DC, FL, GA, MO, MT, NM, WI, WV-PN	9	17%
None of the above		0	0%

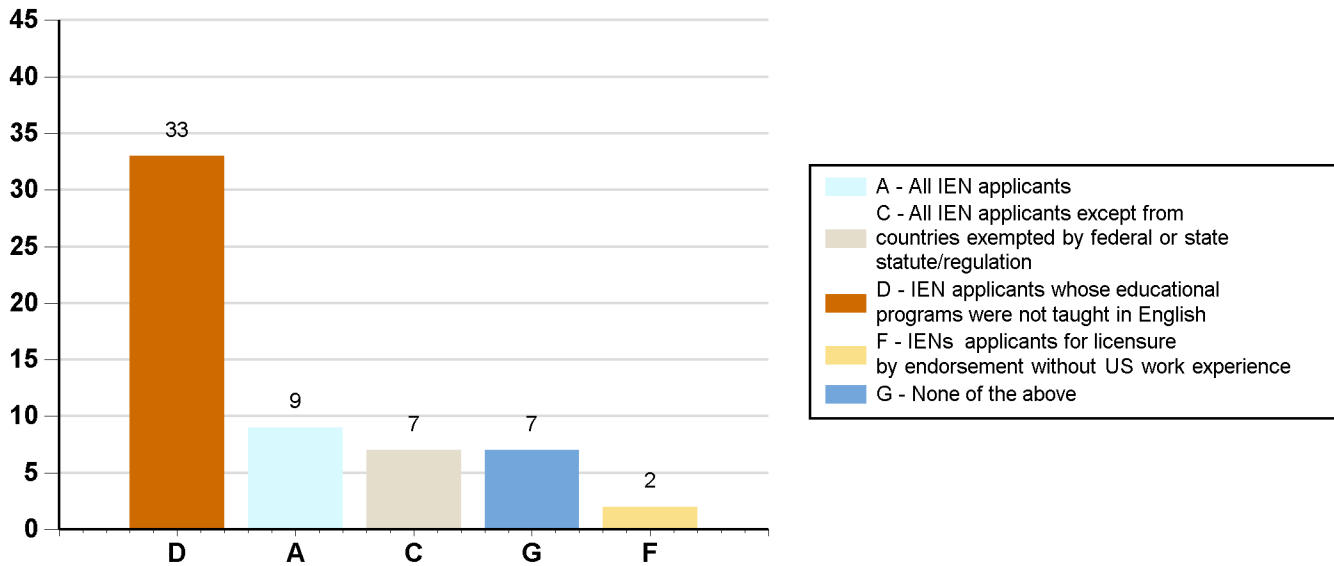
Q35. Does the Board of Nursing require the internationally educated applicant to pass a credential evaluation service's NCLEX-RN/PN predictor exam?



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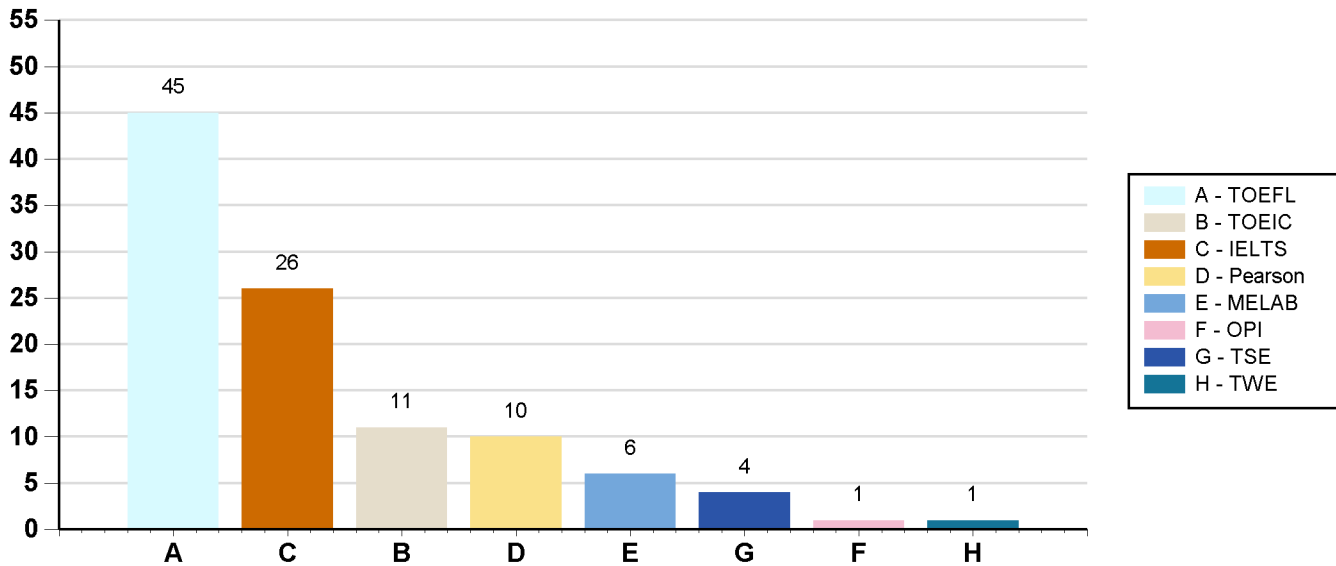
Responses	Jurisdictions	Number of Boards	Percentage of Boards Responding
No	AK, AL, AR, AZ, CA-RN, CA-VN, CNMI, CO, DC, DE, FL, GA, GU, HI, IA, ID, IL, IN, KS, KY, LA-RN, MA, ME, MN, MO, MS, MT, NJ, NM, NV, OH, OK, OR, PA, RI, SC, TX, UT, VA, VI, VT, WA, WI, WV-PN, WV-RN, WY	46	84%
Yes	CT, MD, MI, NH	4	7%
Yes, only for RN by examination	ND, NE, SD, TN	4	7%
Do not regulate RN or PN	NC	1	2%

Q36. Do you require proof of passage of an English proficiency examination from any of the following internationally educated applicants (IENs)? (Choose all that apply.)



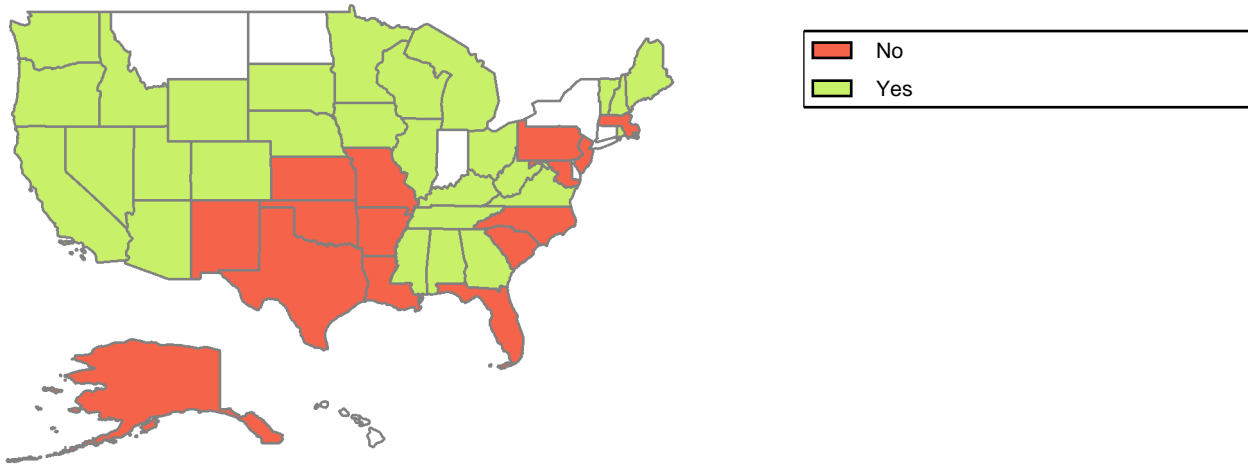
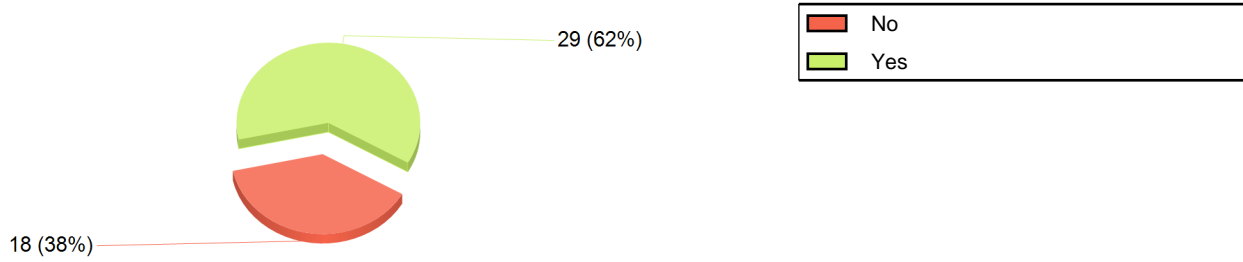
Responses	Jurisdictions	Number of Boards	Percentage of Boards Responding
All IEN applicants	MD, ME, MI, NV, RI, UT, WV-PN, WV-RN, WY	9	17%
All IEN applicants except from countries exempted by federal or state statute/regulation	ID, LA-RN, NC, OH, OK, VA, WA	7	13%
IEN applicants whose educational programs were not taught in English	AK, AL, AR, AZ, CA-RN, CO, DC, FL, GA, GU, IA, ID, IL, KS, KY, LA-RN, MA, MN, MO, MS, NE, NH, NJ, NM, OR, PA, SC, SD, TN, TX, VI, VT, WI	33	61%
IENs applicants for licensure by endorsement without US work experience	OK, OR	2	4%
None of the above	CNMI, CT, DE, HI, IN, MT, ND	7	13%

Q37. Which English proficiency exam is acceptable? (Check all that apply)



Responses	Jurisdictions	Number of Boards	Percentage of Boards Responding
TOEFL	AK, AL, AR, AZ, CA-RN, CO, DC, FL, GA, GU, IA, ID, IL, KS, KY, LA-RN, MA, MD, ME, MI, MN, MO, NC, NE, NH, NJ, NM, NV, OH, OK, OR, PA, SC, SD, TN, TX, UT, VA, VI, VT, WA, WI, WV-PN, WV-RN, WY	45	96%
TOEIC	AR, FL, MO, NE, NJ, NM, OH, OK, OR, VA, WV-RN	11	23%
IELTS	AK, AR, AZ, CO, DC, FL, IA, ID, IL, KY, LA-RN, MA, MD, MN, MO, NE, NJ, OH, OK, OR, PA, SC, TX, VA, WA, WV-RN	26	55%
Pearson	AZ, ID, MA, MS, NV, OH, PA, RI, SC, TX	10	21%
MELAB	FL, ID, MN, NV, OK, PA	6	13%
OPI	MD	1	2%
TSE	AR, MO, OK, TX	4	9%
TWE	OK	1	2%

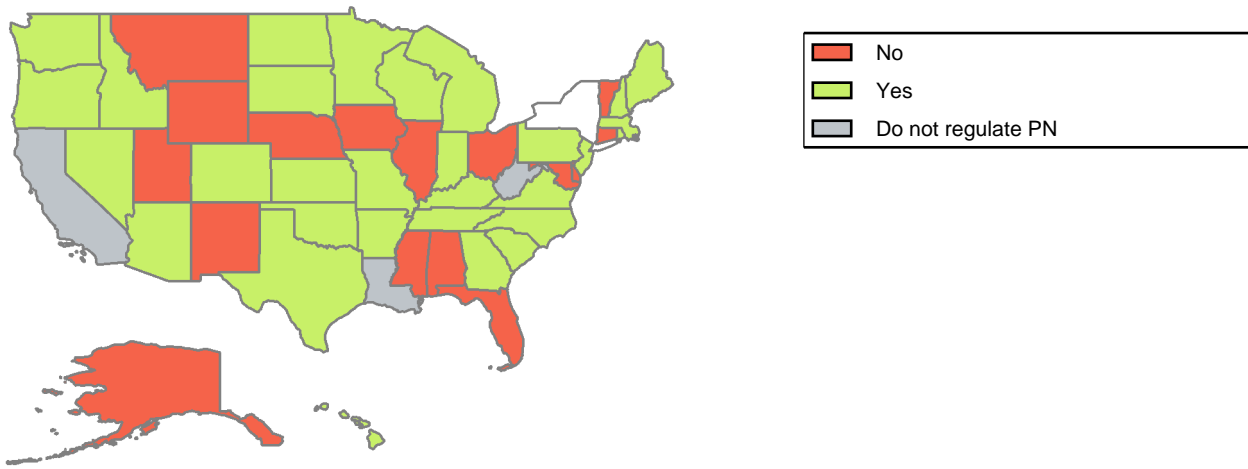
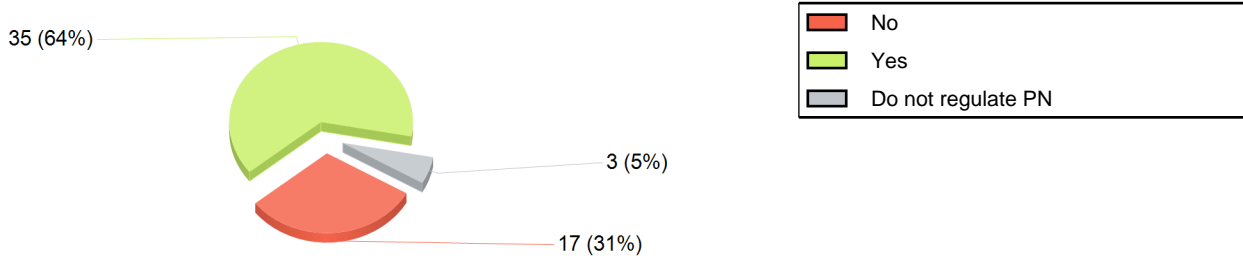
Q38. Does the Board of Nursing accept English proficiency examination scores that are greater than 2 years old?



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Responses	Jurisdictions	Number of Boards	Percentage of Boards Responding
No	AK, AR, FL, GU, KS, LA-RN, MA, MD, MO, NC, NJ, NM, OK, PA, SC, TX, VI, WV-PN	18	38%
Yes	AL, AZ, CA-RN, CO, DC, GA, IA, ID, IL, KY, ME, MI, MN, MS, NE, NH, NV, OH, OR, RI, SD, TN, UT, VA, VT, WA, WI, WV-RN, WY	29	62%

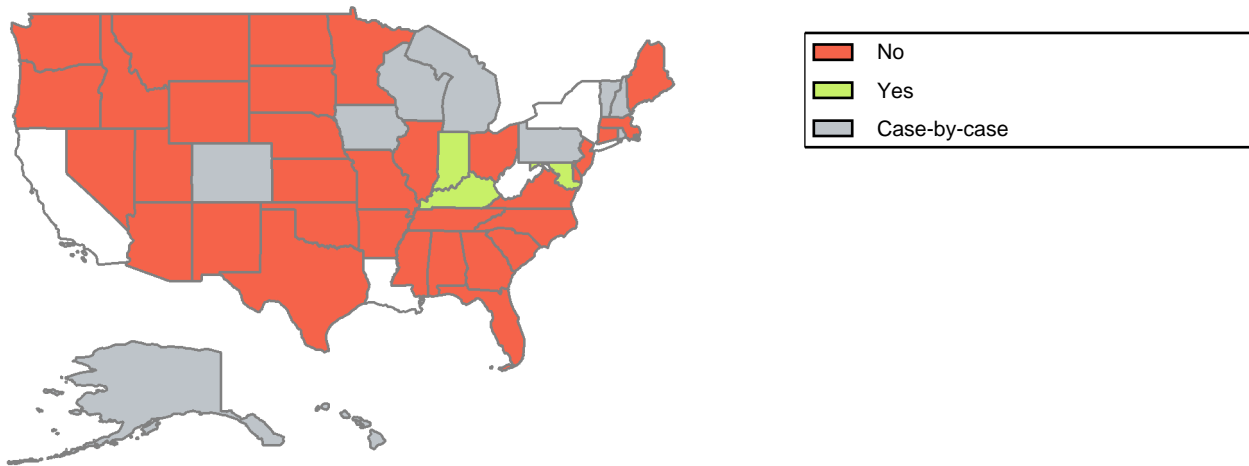
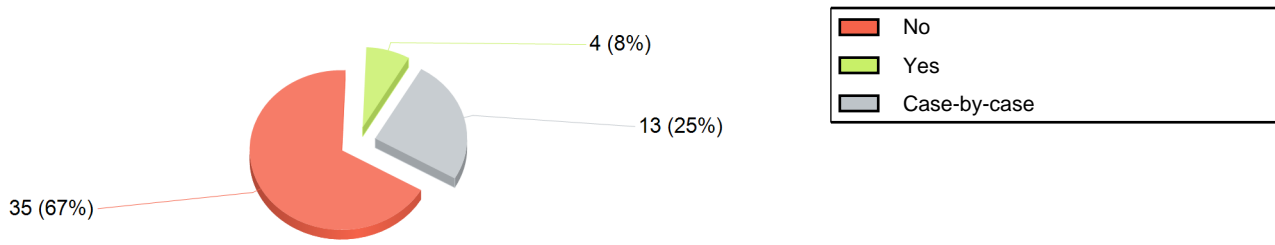
Q39. Is a graduate of the Army Practical Nursing Specialist program permitted to take the NCLEX-PN?



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Responses	Jurisdictions	Number of Boards	Percentage of Boards Responding
No	AK, AL, CNMI, CT, DE, FL, IA, IL, MD, MS, MT, NE, NM, OH, UT, VT, WY	17	31%
Yes	AR, AZ, CA-VN, CO, DC, GA, GU, HI, ID, IN, KS, KY, MA, ME, MI, MN, MO, NC, ND, NH, NJ, NV, OK, OR, PA, RI, SC, SD, TN, TX, VA, VI, WA, WI, WV-PN	35	64%
Do not regulate PN	CA-RN, LA-RN, WV-RN	3	5%

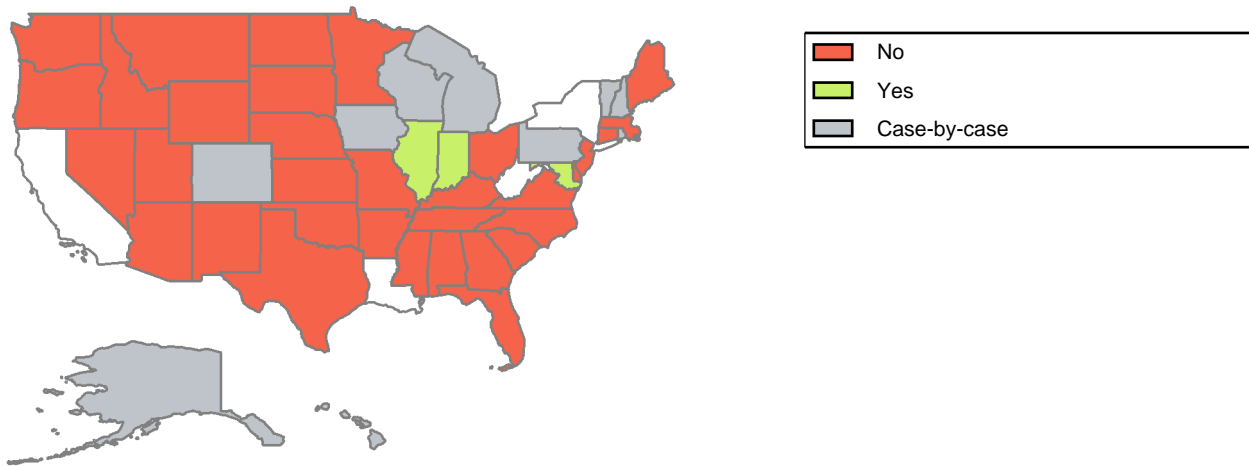
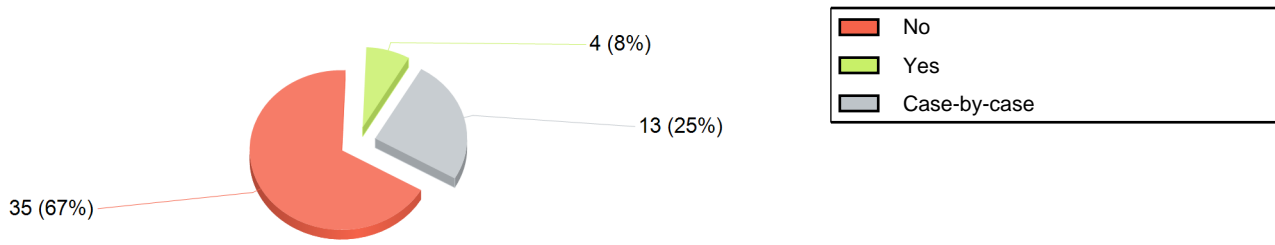
Q40. Is a graduate of an Army occupation specialist training program permitted to take the NCLEX-PN?



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Responses	Jurisdictions	Number of Boards	Percentage of Boards Responding
No	AL, AR, AZ, CT, DC, DE, FL, GA, ID, IL, KS, MA, ME, MN, MO, MS, MT, NC, ND, NE, NJ, NM, NV, OH, OK, OR, SC, SD, TN, TX, UT, VA, VI, WA, WY	35	67%
Yes	GU, IN, KY, MD	4	8%
Case-by-case	AK, CA-VN, CNMI, CO, HI, IA, MI, NH, PA, RI, VT, WI, WV-PN	13	25%

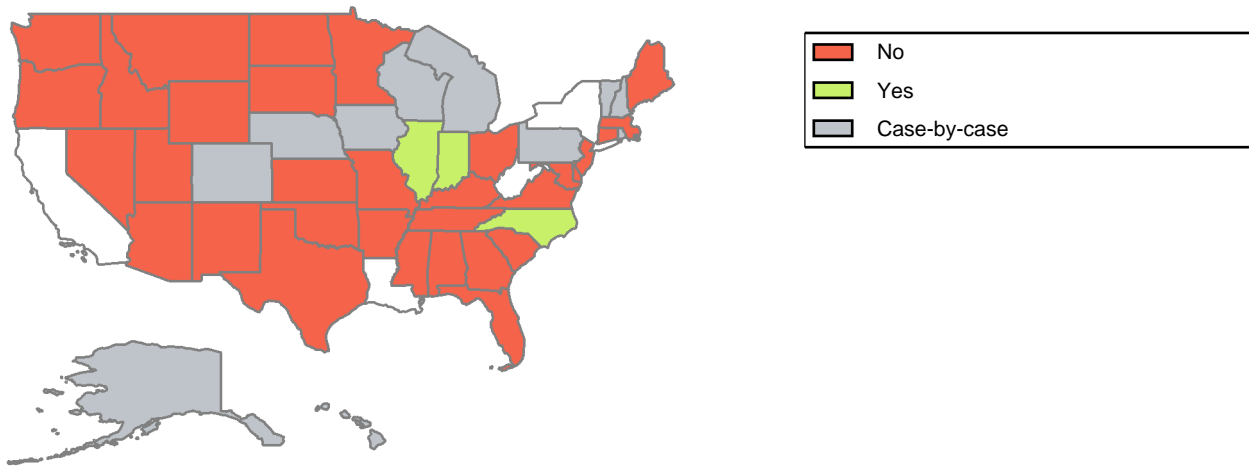
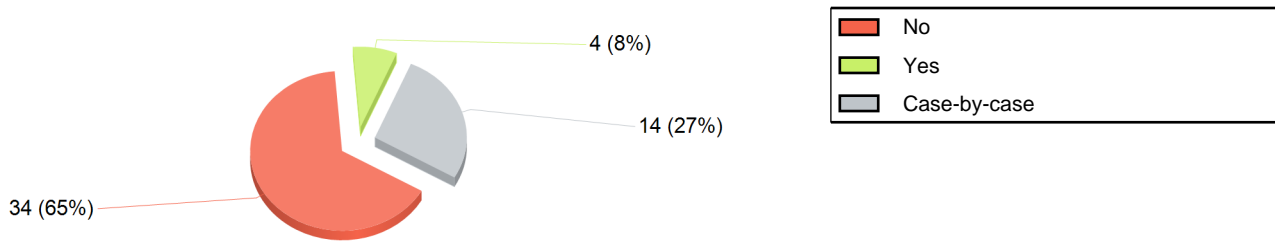
Q41. Is a graduate of a Navy occupation specialist training program permitted to take the NCLEX-PN?



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Responses	Jurisdictions	Number of Boards	Percentage of Boards Responding
No	AL, AR, AZ, CT, DC, DE, FL, GA, ID, KS, KY, MA, ME, MN, MO, MS, MT, NC, ND, NE, NJ, NM, NV, OH, OK, OR, SC, SD, TN, TX, UT, VA, VI, WA, WY	35	67%
Yes	GU, IL, IN, MD	4	8%
Case-by-case	AK, CA-VN, CNMI, CO, HI, IA, MI, NH, PA, RI, VT, WI, WV-PN	13	25%

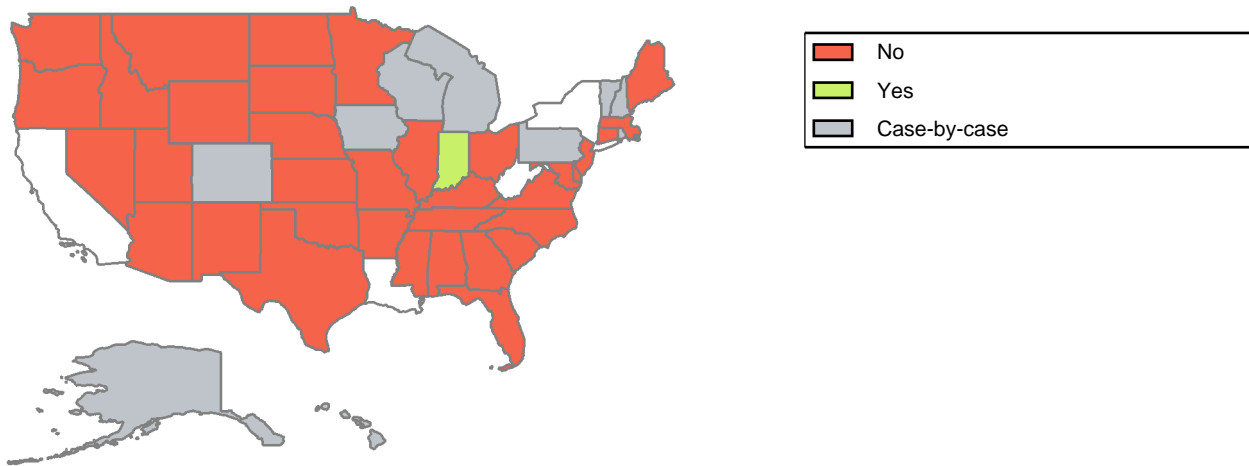
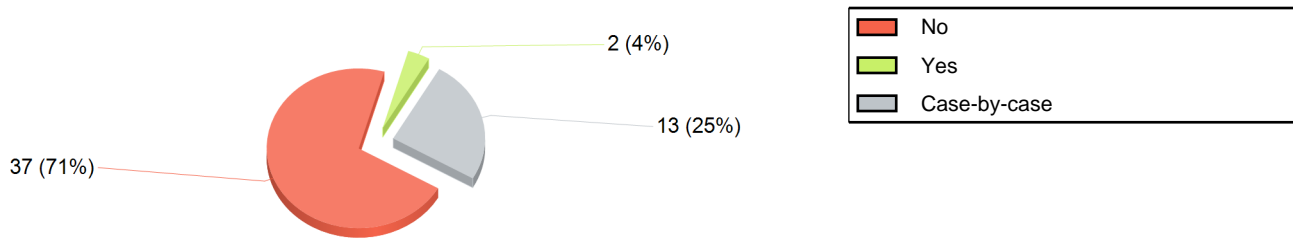
Q42. Is a graduate of an Air Force occupation specialist training program permitted to take the NCLEX-PN?



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Responses	Jurisdictions	Number of Boards	Percentage of Boards Responding
No	AL, AR, AZ, CT, DC, DE, FL, GA, ID, KS, KY, MA, MD, ME, MN, MO, MS, MT, ND, NJ, NM, NV, OH, OK, OR, SC, SD, TN, TX, UT, VA, VI, WA, WY	34	65%
Yes	GU, IL, IN, NC	4	8%
Case-by-case	AK, CA-VN, CNMI, CO, HI, IA, MI, NE, NH, PA, RI, VT, WI, WV-PN	14	27%

Q43. Is a graduate of a Marine Corps occupation specialist training program permitted to take the NCLEX-PN?

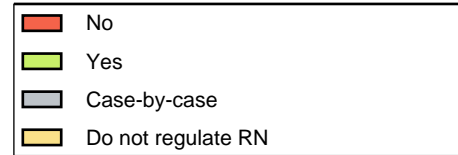
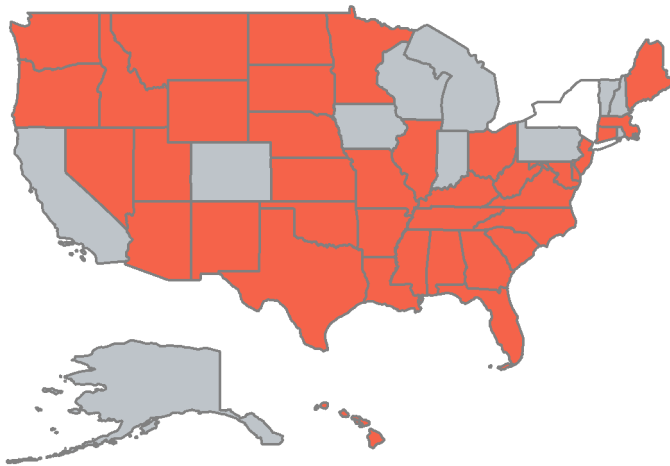
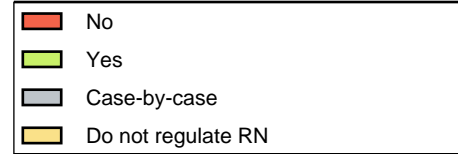
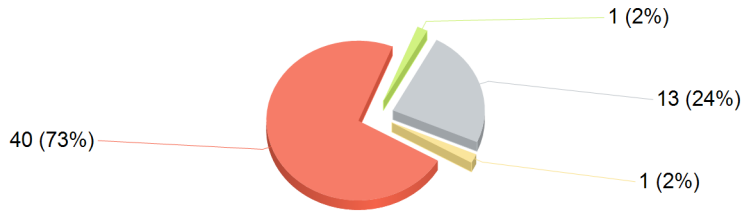


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Responses	Jurisdictions	Number of Boards	Percentage of Boards Responding
No	AL, AR, AZ, CT, DC, DE, FL, GA, ID, IL, KS, KY, MA, MD, ME, MN, MO, MS, MT, NC, ND, NE, NJ, NM, NV, OH, OK, OR, SC, SD, TN, TX, UT, VA, VI, WA, WY	37	71%
Yes	GU, IN	2	4%
Case-by-case	AK, CA-VN, CNMI, CO, HI, IA, MI, NH, PA, RI, VT, WI, WV-PN	13	25%

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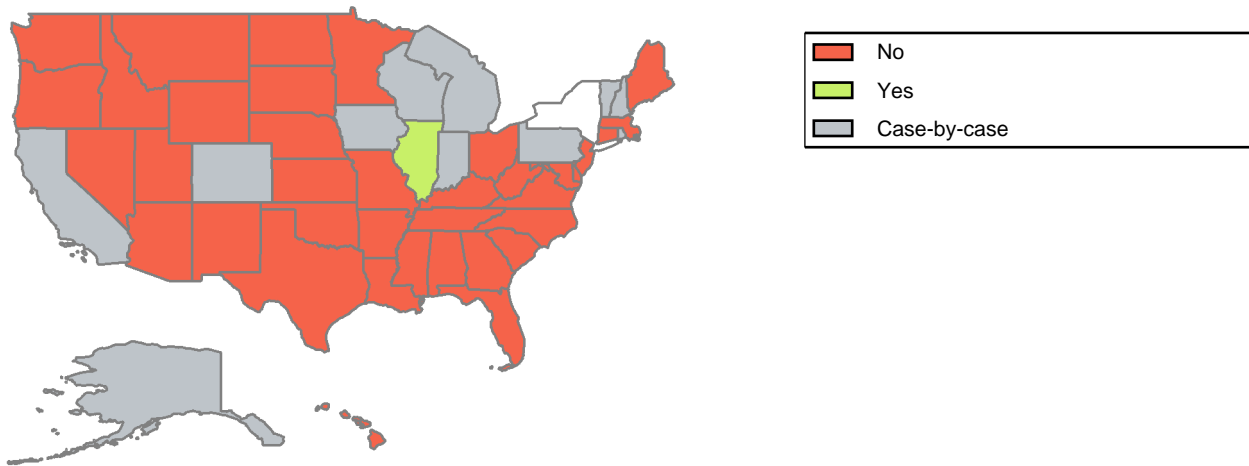
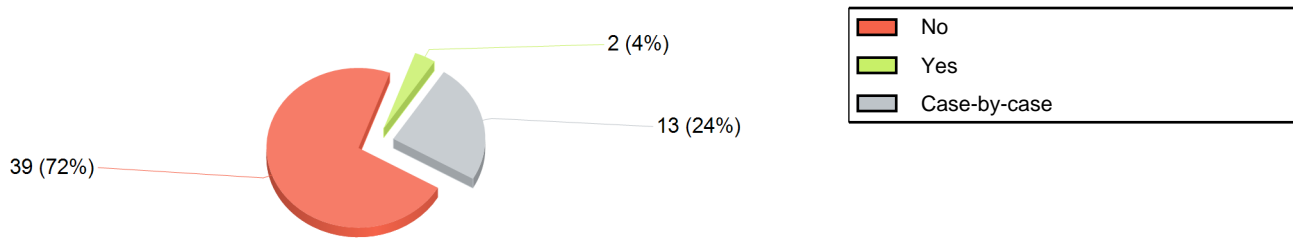
Q44. Is a graduate of an Army occupation specialist training program permitted to take the NCLEX-RN?



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Responses	Jurisdictions	Number of Boards	Percentage of Boards Responding
No	AL, AR, AZ, CT, DC, DE, FL, GA, HI, ID, IL, KS, KY, LA-RN, MA, MD, ME, MN, MO, MS, MT, NC, ND, NE, NJ, NM, NV, OH, OK, OR, SC, SD, TN, TX, UT, VA, VI, WA, WV-RN, WY	40	73%
Yes	GU	1	2%
Case-by-case	AK, CA-RN, CA-VN, CNMI, CO, IA, IN, MI, NH, PA, RI, VT, WI	13	24%
Do not regulate RN	WV-PN	1	2%

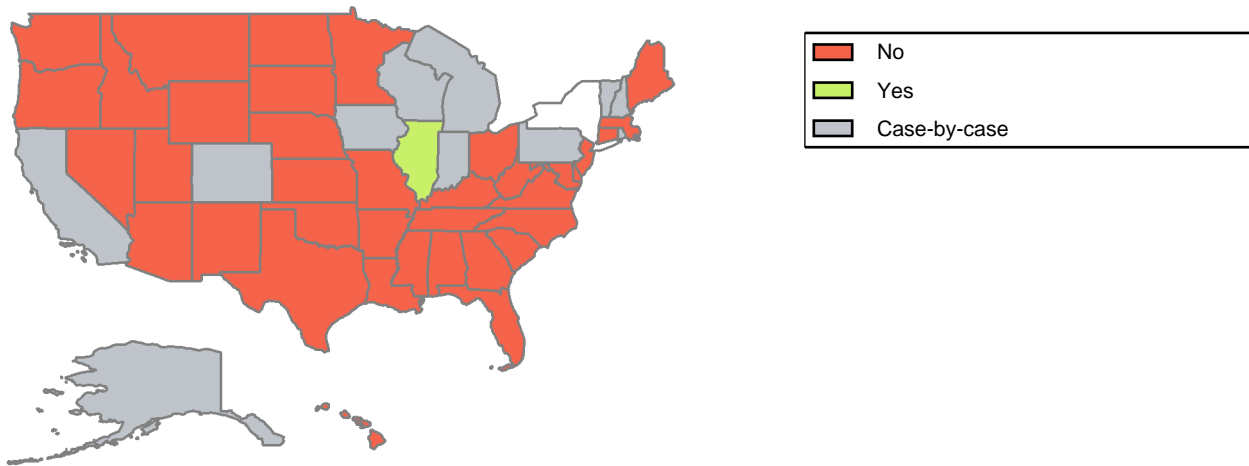
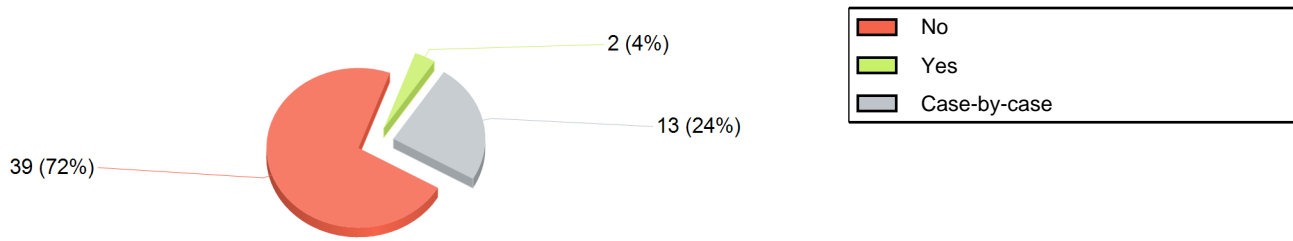
Q45. Is a graduate of a Navy occupation specialist training program permitted to take the NCLEX-RN?



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Responses	Jurisdictions	Number of Boards	Percentage of Boards Responding
No	AL, AR, AZ, CT, DC, DE, FL, GA, HI, ID, KS, KY, LA-RN, MA, MD, ME, MN, MO, MS, MT, NC, ND, NE, NJ, NM, NV, OH, OK, OR, SC, SD, TN, TX, UT, VA, VI, WA, WV-RN, WY	39	72%
Yes	GU, IL	2	4%
Case-by-case	AK, CA-RN, CA-VN, CNMI, CO, IA, IN, MI, NH, PA, RI, VT, WI	13	24%

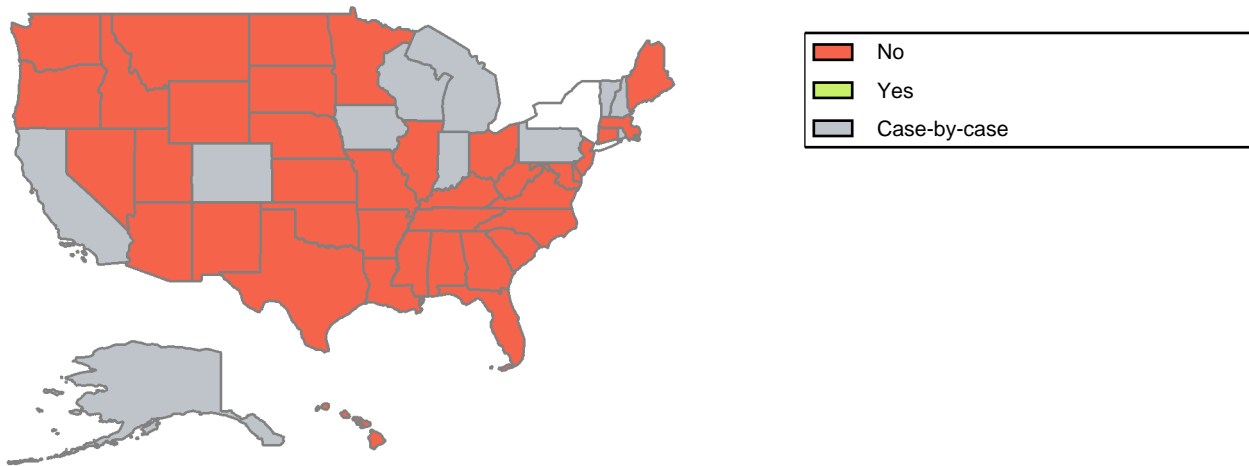
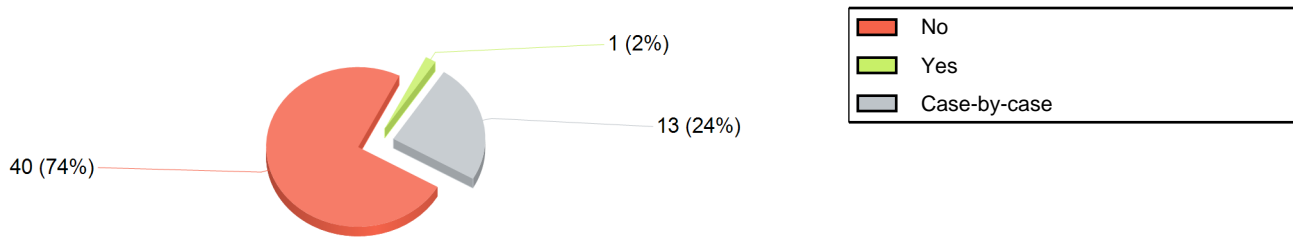
Q46. Is a graduate of an Air Force occupation specialist training program permitted to take the NCLEX-RN?



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No	AL, AR, AZ, CT, DC, DE, FL, GA, HI, ID, KS, KY, LA-RN, MA, MD, ME, MN, MO, MS, MT, NC, ND, NE, NJ, NM, NV, OH, OK, OR, SC, SD, TN, TX, UT, VA, VI, WA, WV-RN, WY	39	72%
Yes	GU, IL	2	4%
Case-by-case	AK, CA-RN, CA-VN, CNMI, CO, IA, IN, MI, NH, PA, RI, VT, WI	13	24%

Q47. Is a graduate of a Marine Corps occupation specialist training program permitted to take the NCLEX-RN?

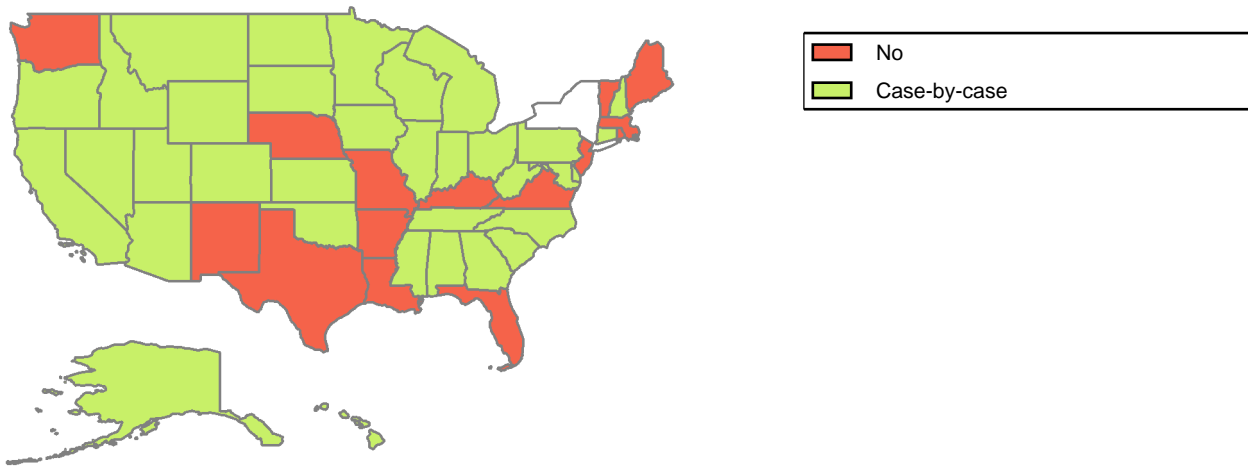
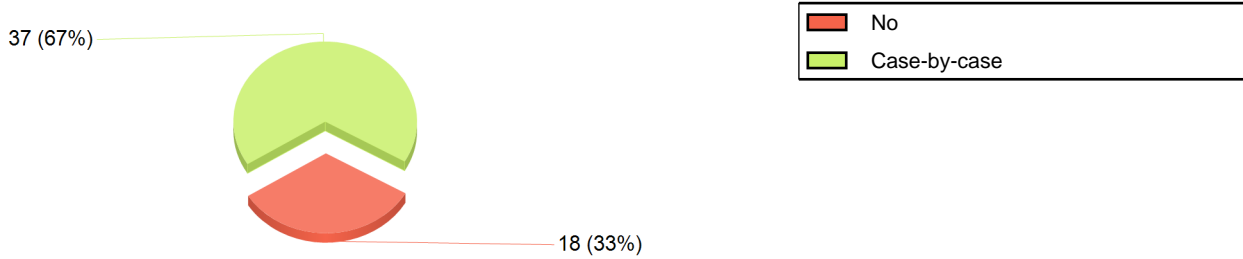


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Responses	Jurisdictions	Number of Boards	Percentage of Boards Responding
No	AL, AR, AZ, CT, DC, DE, FL, GA, HI, ID, IL, IN, IA, KS, KY, LA, MA, MD, ME, MN, MO, MS, MT, NC, ND, NE, NJ, NM, NV, OH, OK, OR, SC, SD, TN, TX, UT, VA, VI, WA, WV, WY	40	74%
Yes	GU	1	2%
Case-by-case	AK, CA, CO, IA, MI, NH, PA, RI, VT, WI	13	24%

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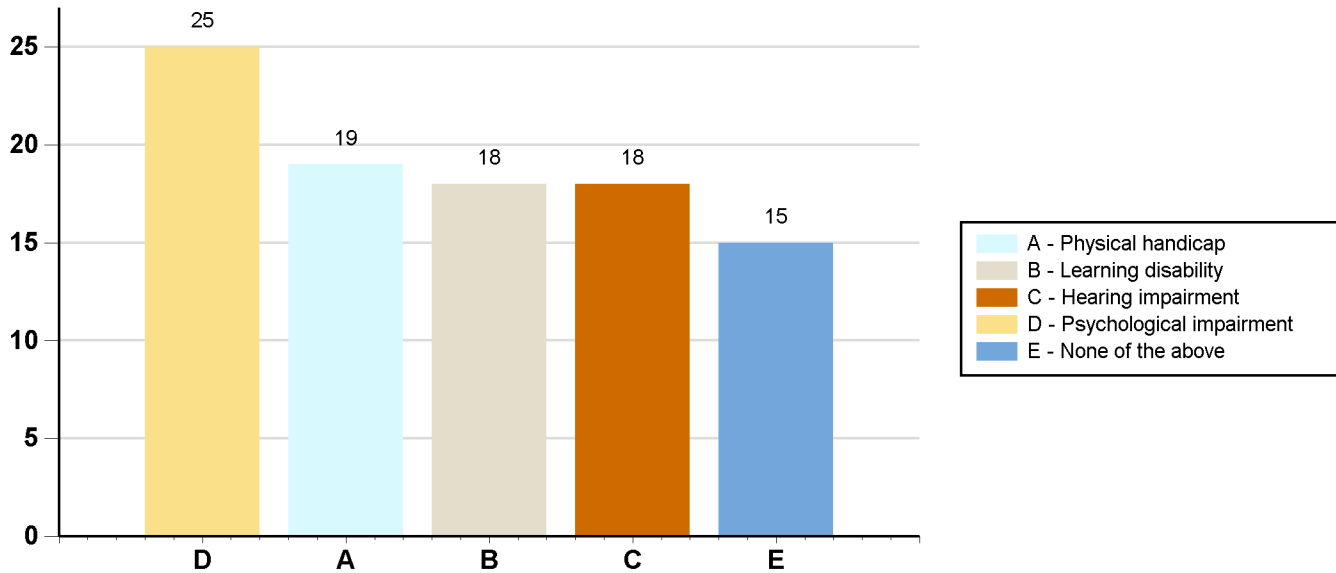
Q48. Can an individual with a physical or mental health impairment/handicap be issued a license with limitations/conditions?



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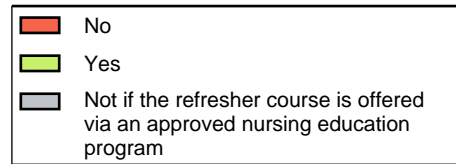
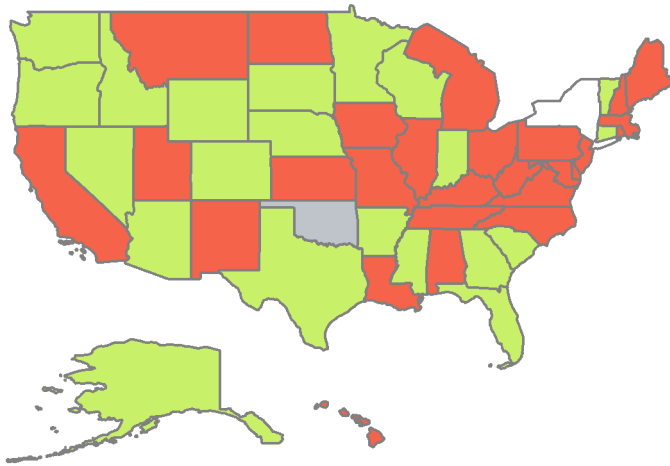
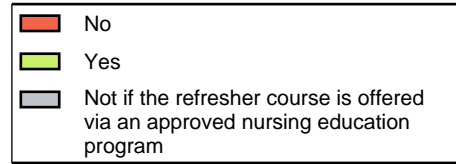
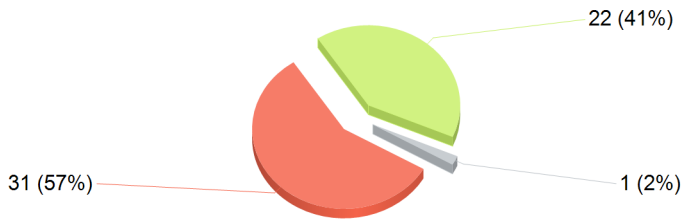
Responses	Jurisdictions	Number of Boards	Percentage of Boards Responding
No	AR, CA-VN, CNMI, FL, KY, LA-RN, MA, ME, MO, NE, NJ, NM, RI, TX, VA, VT, WA, WV-PN	18	33%
Case-by-case	AK, AL, AZ, CA-RN, CO, CT, DC, DE, GA, GU, HI, IA, ID, IL, IN, KS, MD, MI, MN, MS, MT, NC, ND, NH, NV, OH, OK, OR, PA, SC, SD, TN, UT, VI, WI, WV-RN, WY	37	67%

Q49. Which of the following impairments/handicap can be a cause for issuing a license with limitations? (Check all that apply)



Responses	Jurisdictions	Number of Boards	Percentage of Boards Responding
Physical handicap	AL, AR, AZ, CO, CT, GU, HI, ID, KS, MN, MT, NC, ND, NV, SC, VI, WI, WV-RN, WY	19	46%
Learning disability	AL, AR, AZ, CNMI, CO, CT, GU, HI, ID, KS, MN, NC, ND, NV, SC, WI, WV-RN, WY	18	44%
Hearing impairment	AL, AR, AZ, CO, CT, GU, HI, ID, KS, MN, NC, ND, NV, SC, VI, WI, WV-RN, WY	18	44%
Psychological impairment	AL, AR, AZ, CNMI, CO, CT, DC, DE, GU, HI, ID, KS, MN, MT, NC, ND, NE, NV, OR, PA, SC, UT, WI, WV-RN, WY	25	61%
None of the above	AK, CA-RN, GA, IA, IL, IN, MD, MI, MS, NH, NJ, OH, OK, SD, TN	15	37%

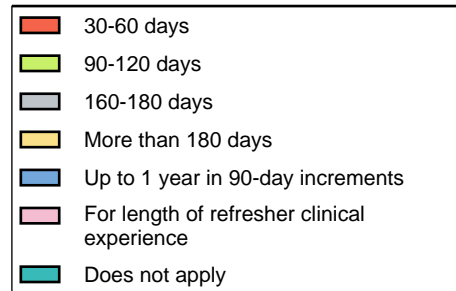
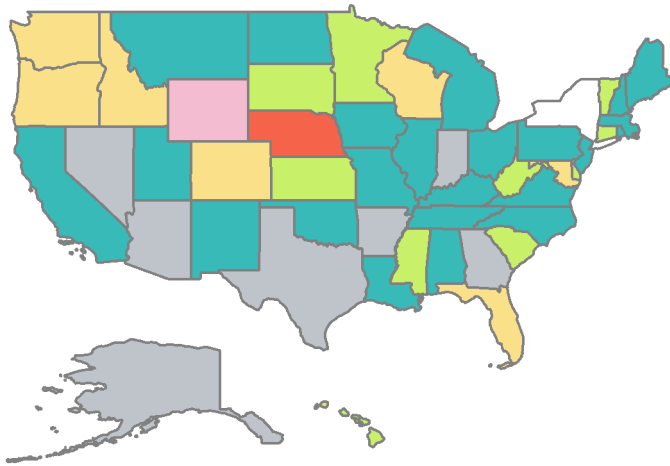
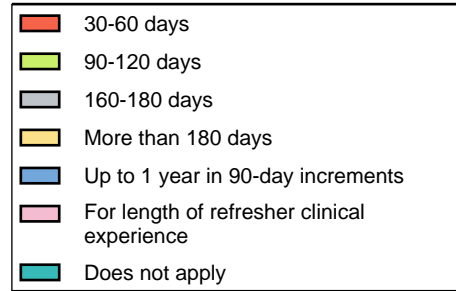
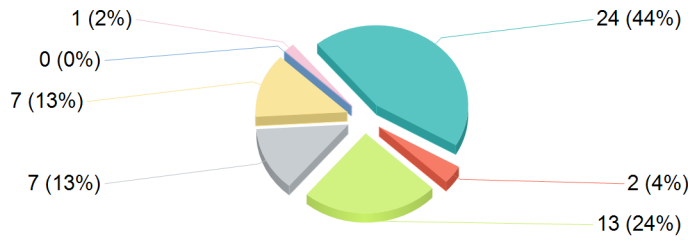
Q50. Is a limited education license or authorization issued allowing clinical practice during the refresher program?



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Responses	Jurisdictions	Number of Boards	Percentage of Boards Responding
No	AL, CA-RN, CNMI, DE, GU, HI, IA, IL, KS, KY, LA-RN, MA, MD, ME, MI, MO, MT, NC, ND, NH, NJ, NM, OH, PA, RI, TN, UT, VA, VI, WV-PN, WV-RN	31	57%
Yes	AK, AR, AZ, CO, CT, DC, FL, GA, ID, IN, MN, MS, NE, NV, OR, SC, SD, TX, VT, WA, WI, WY	22	41%
Not if the refresher course is offered via an approved nursing education program	OK	1	2%

Q51. How long is limited license or authorization valid?

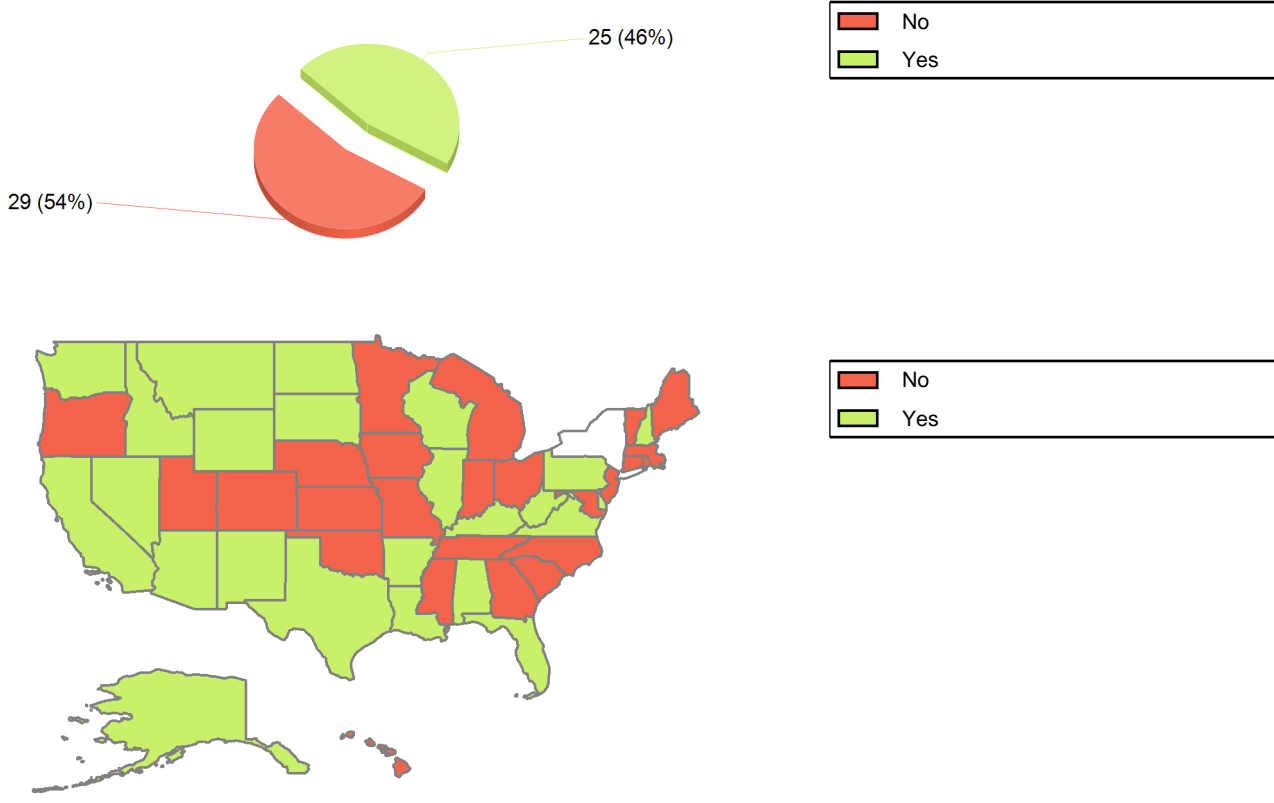


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Responses	Jurisdictions	Number of Boards	Percentage of Boards Responding
30-60 days	GU, NE	2	4%
90-120 days	CNMI, CT, DC, DE, HI, KS, MN, MS, SC, SD, VT, WV-PN, WV-RN	13	24%
160-180 days	AK, AR, AZ, GA, IN, NV, TX	7	13%
More than 180 days	CO, FL, ID, MD, OR, WA, WI	7	13%
Up to 1 year in 90-day increments		0	0%
For length of refresher clinical experience	WY	1	2%
Does not apply	AL, CA-RN, IA, IL, KY, LA-RN, MA, ME, MI, MO, MT, NC, ND, NH, NJ, NM, OH, OK, PA, RI, TN, UT, VA, VI	24	44%

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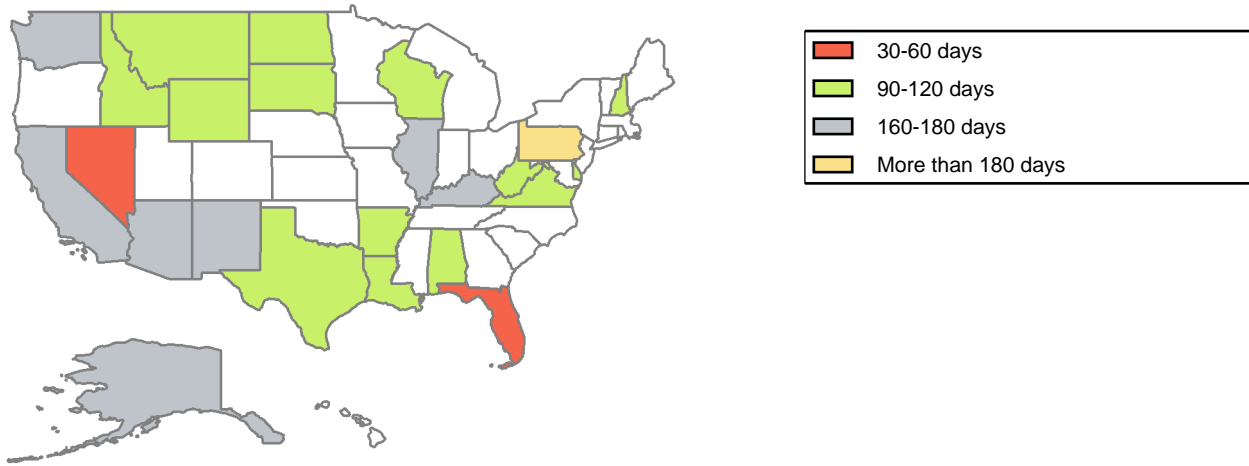
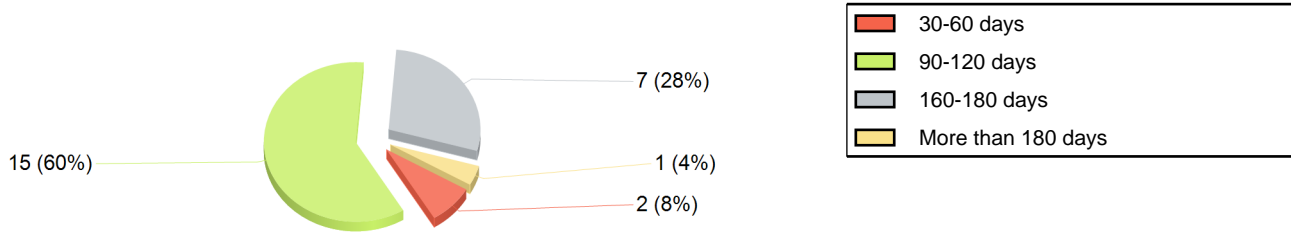
Q52. Are temporary practice permits available for applicants applying for licensure by examination?



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Responses	Jurisdictions	Number of Boards	Percentage of Boards Responding
No	CNMI, CO, CT, DC, GA, GU, HI, IA, IN, KS, MA, MD, ME, MI, MN, MO, MS, NC, NE, NJ, OH, OK, OR, RI, SC, TN, UT, VI, VT	29	54%
Yes	AK, AL, AR, AZ, CA-RN, DE, FL, ID, IL, KY, LA-RN, MT, ND, NH, NM, NV, PA, SD, TX, VA, WA, WI, WV-PN, WV-RN, WY	25	46%

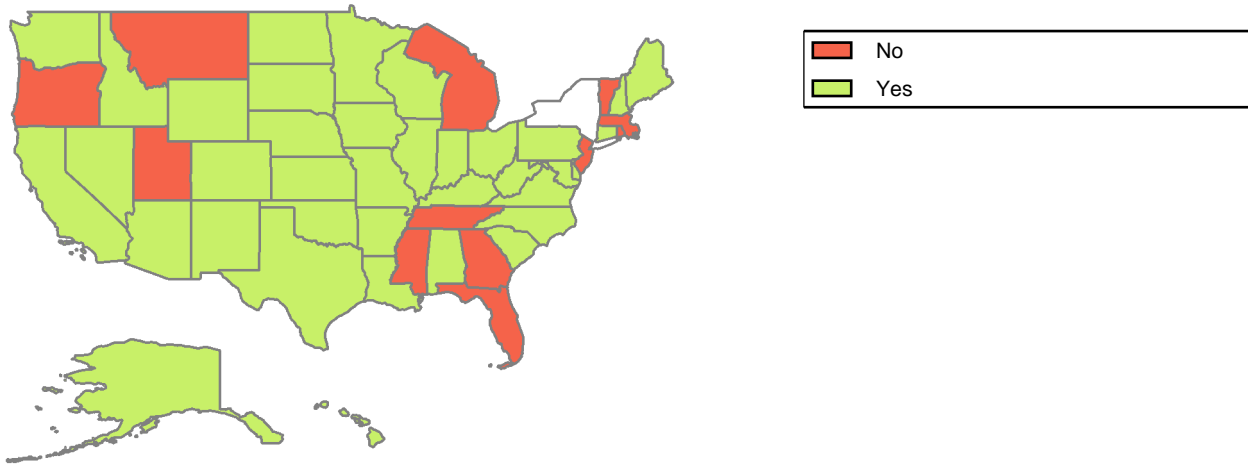
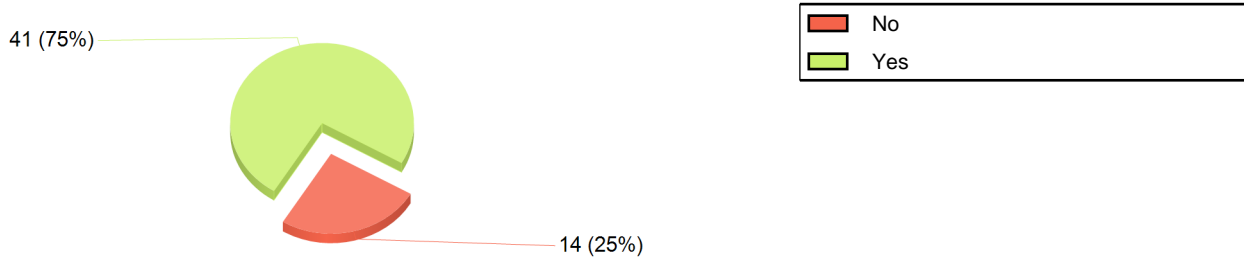
Q53. How long is the temporary practice permit valid for licensure by examination applicants?



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Responses	Jurisdictions	Number of Boards	Percentage of Boards Responding
30-60 days	FL, NV	2	8%
90-120 days	AL, AR, DE, ID, LA-RN, MT, ND, NH, SD, TX, VA, WI, WV-PN, WV-RN, WY	15	60%
160-180 days	AK, AZ, CA-RN, IL, KY, NM, WA	7	28%
More than 180 days	PA	1	4%

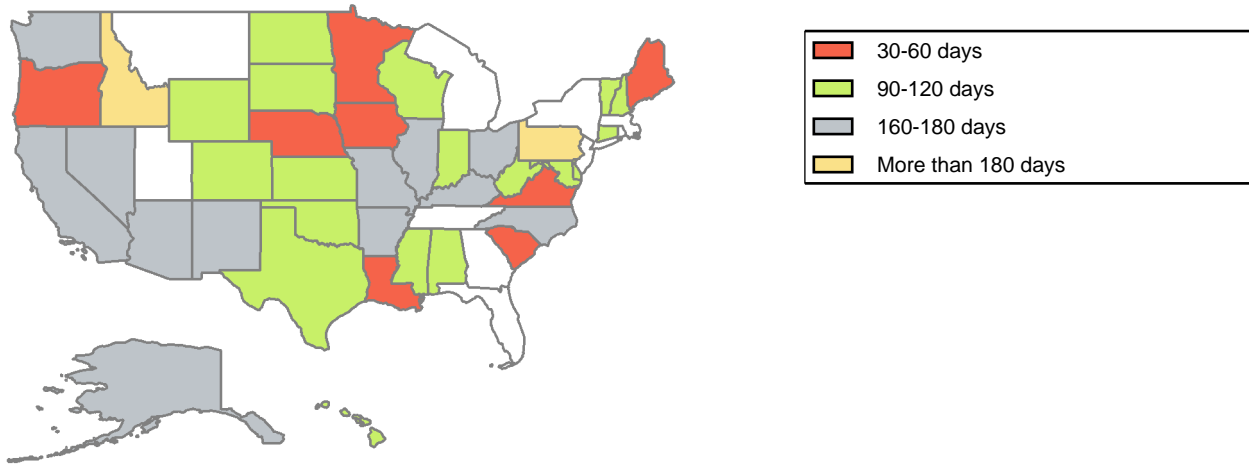
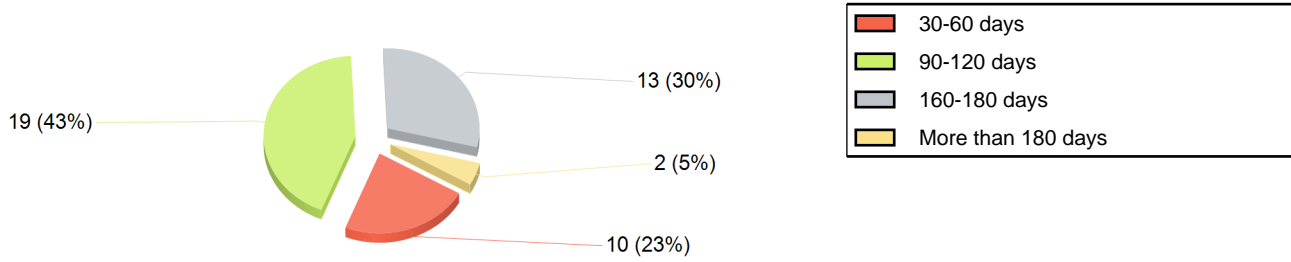
Q54. Are temporary practice permits available for applicants applying for licensure by endorsement?



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Responses	Jurisdictions	Number of Boards	Percentage of Boards Responding
No	CA-VN, FL, GA, MA, MI, MS, MT, NJ, OR, RI, TN, UT, VI, VT	14	25%
Yes	AK, AL, AR, AZ, CA-RN, CNMI, CO, CT, DC, DE, GU, HI, IA, ID, IL, IN, KS, KY, LA-RN, MD, ME, MN, MO, NC, ND, NE, NH, NM, NV, OH, OK, PA, SC, SD, TX, VA, WA, WI, WV-PN, WV-RN, WY	41	75%

Q55. How long is the temporary practice permit valid for licensure by endorsement applicants?

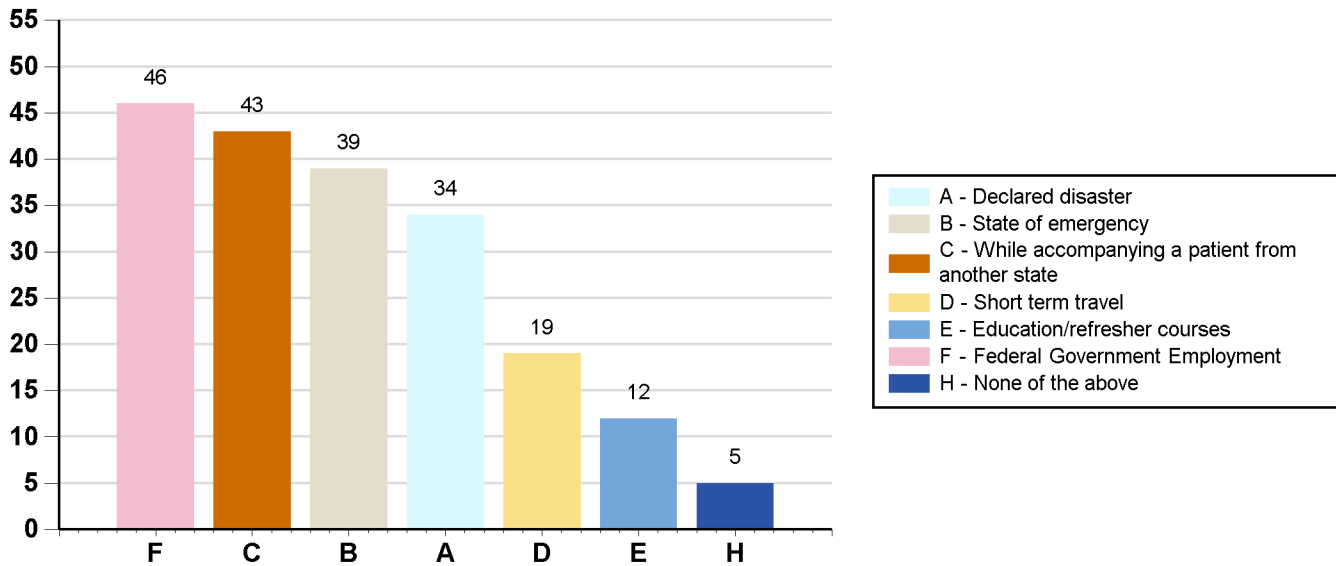


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Responses	Jurisdictions	Number of Boards	Percentage of Boards Responding
30-60 days	CNMI, GU, IA, LA-RN, ME, MN, NE, OR, SC, VA	10	23%
90-120 days	AL, CO, CT, DC, DE, HI, IN, KS, MD, MS, ND, NH, OK, SD, TX, VT, WI, WV-RN, WY	19	43%
160-180 days	AK, AR, AZ, CA-RN, IL, KY, MO, NC, NM, NV, OH, WA, WV-PN	13	30%
More than 180 days	ID, PA	2	5%

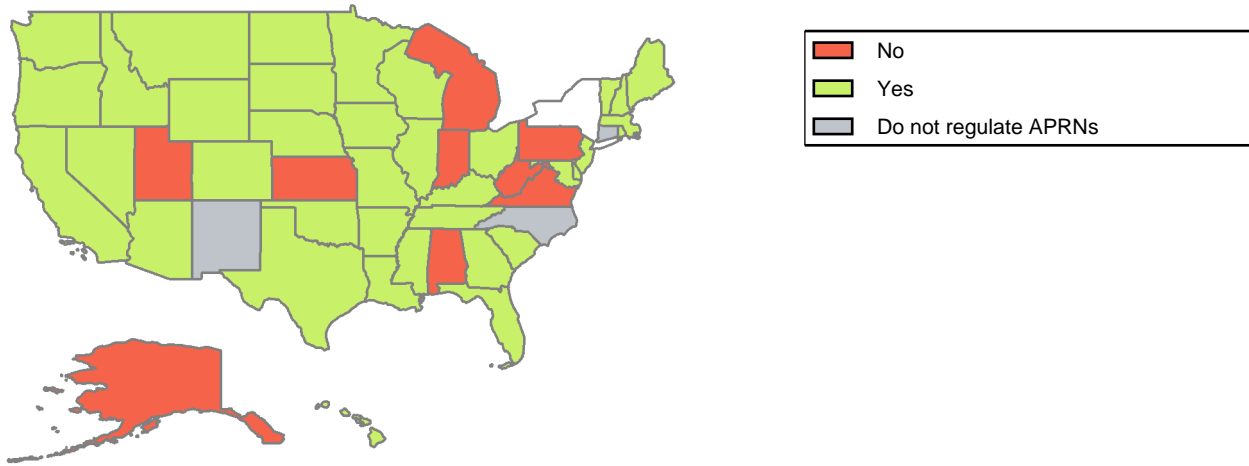
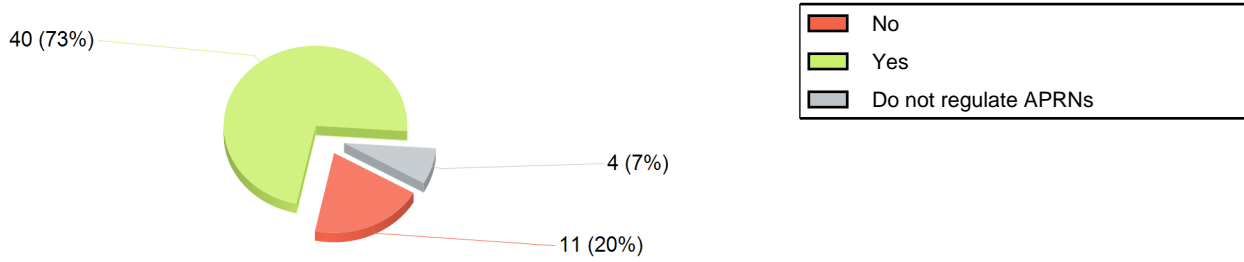
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Q56. Are exemptions to licensure requirements allowed for nurses in any of the following situations? (Check all that apply)



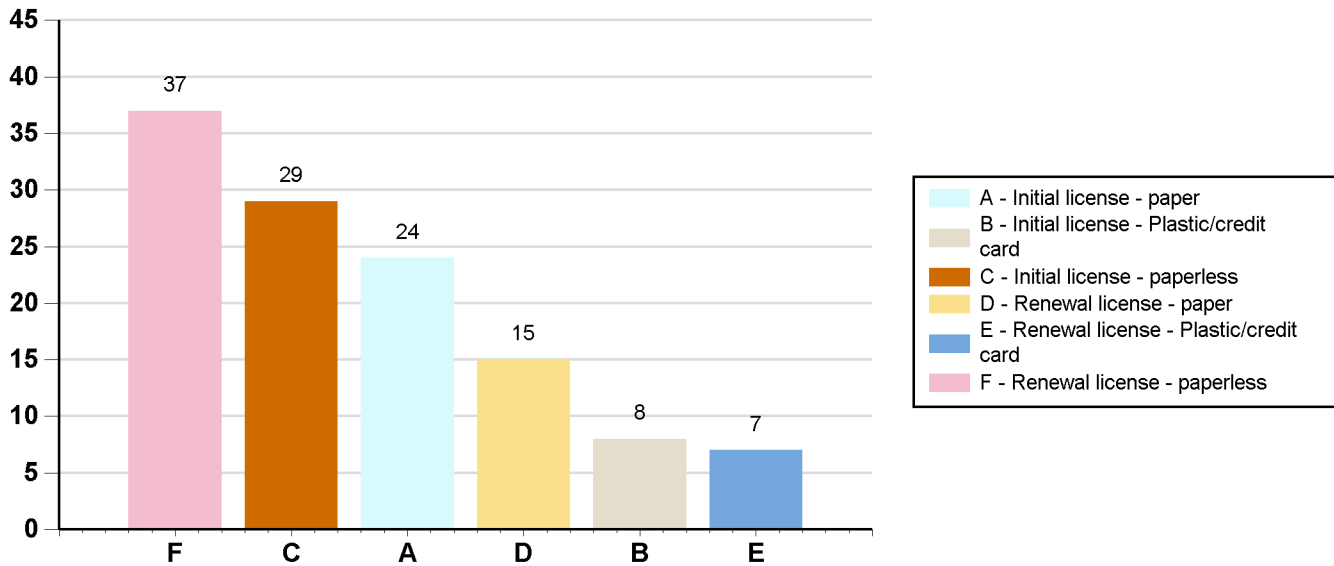
Responses	Jurisdictions	Number of Boards	Percentage of Boards Responding
Declared disaster	AK, AR, DC, FL, GA, GU, IA, ID, IL, KS, KY, LA-RN, MD, ME, MI, MN, MO, MS, NC, ND, NJ, NV, OH, OK, OR, SC, TN, TX, UT, VT, WA, WI, WV-RN, WY	34	62%
State of emergency	AK, AL, AR, AZ, CA-RN, CO, DC, FL, GA, GU, HI, IA, ID, IL, KS, LA-RN, MD, ME, MI, MN, MO, MS, NC, ND, NM, OH, OK, OR, PA, SD, TN, TX, UT, VT, WA, WI, WV-PN, WV-RN, WY	39	71%
While accompanying a patient from another state	AL, AR, AZ, CA-RN, CO, CT, DC, DE, FL, GA, GU, IA, IL, KS, LA-RN, MA, MD, ME, MN, MO, MS, MT, NC, ND, NJ, NM, NV, OH, OK, OR, PA, SC, SD, TN, TX, UT, VA, VT, WA, WI, WV-PN, WV-RN, WY	43	78%
Short term travel	CT, DC, GA, IL, LA-RN, MD, ME, MT, ND, NJ, NV, OH, OK, TN, UT, VA, WA, WI, WV-PN	19	35%
Education/refresher courses	CO, HI, ID, KS, ND, OH, OK, TN, UT, VI, WI, WY	12	22%
Federal Government Employment	AK, AL, AR, AZ, CA-RN, CO, DC, DE, FL, GA, GU, HI, IA, ID, IL, KS, LA-RN, MA, MD, ME, MN, MO, MS, NC, ND, NJ, NM, NV, OH, OK, OR, PA, RI, SC, SD, TN, TX, UT, VA, VI, VT, WA, WI, WV-PN, WV-RN, WY	46	84%
None of the above	CA-VN, CNMI, IN, NE, NH	5	9%

Q57. Is in-state or compact licensure required for graduate nursing clinical practicum within the jurisdiction?



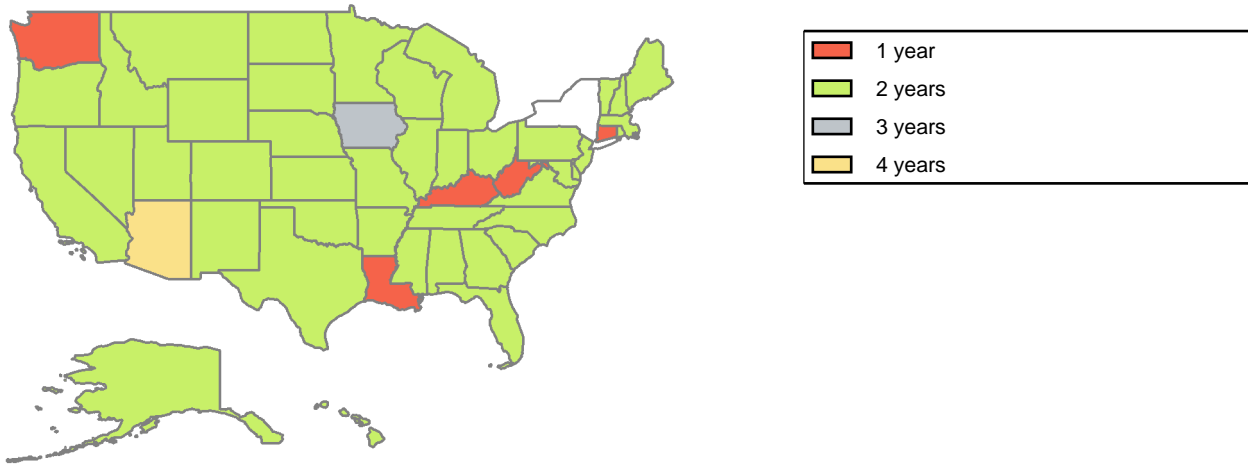
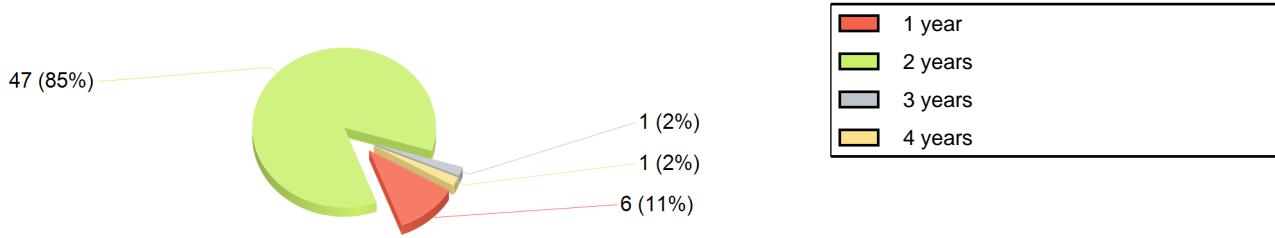
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Responses	Jurisdictions	Number of Boards	Percentage of Boards Responding
No	AK, AL, CA-VN, GU, IN, KS, MI, PA, UT, VA, WV-RN	11	20%
Yes	AR, AZ, CA-RN, CNMI, CO, DC, DE, FL, GA, HI, IA, ID, IL, KY, LA-RN, MA, MD, ME, MN, MO, MS, MT, ND, NE, NH, NJ, NV, OH, OK, OR, RI, SC, SD, TN, TX, VI, VT, WA, WI, WY	40	73%
Do not regulate APRNs	CT, NC, NM, WV-PN	4	7%

Q58. How does the Board of Nursing issue licenses? (Check all that apply)


Responses	Jurisdictions	Number of Boards	Percentage of Boards Responding
Initial license - paper	AZ, DC, DE, FL, HI, IA, KS, MA, ME, MI, MN, NE, NJ, OK, PA, RI, SD, TN, TX, UT, VA, WA, WI, WV-RN	24	44%
Initial license - Plastic/credit card	CA-RN, CA-VN, CNMI, CO, GU, IA, RI, VI	8	15%
Initial license - paperless	AK, AL, AR, CO, CT, GA, ID, IL, IN, KY, LA-RN, MA, MD, MO, MS, MT, NC, ND, NH, NM, NV, OH, OR, RI, SC, VT, WI, WV-PN, WY	29	53%
Renewal license - paper	DC, DE, FL, HI, MA, MI, NJ, OK, PA, RI, SD, TN, UT, VA, WI	15	27%
Renewal license - Plastic/credit card	CA-RN, CA-VN, CNMI, CO, IA, RI, VI	7	13%
Renewal license - paperless	AK, AL, AR, AZ, CO, CT, GA, ID, IL, IN, KS, KY, LA-RN, MA, MD, ME, MN, MO, MS, MT, NC, ND, NE, NH, NM, NV, OH, OR, RI, SC, TX, VT, WA, WI, WV-PN, WV-RN, WY	37	67%

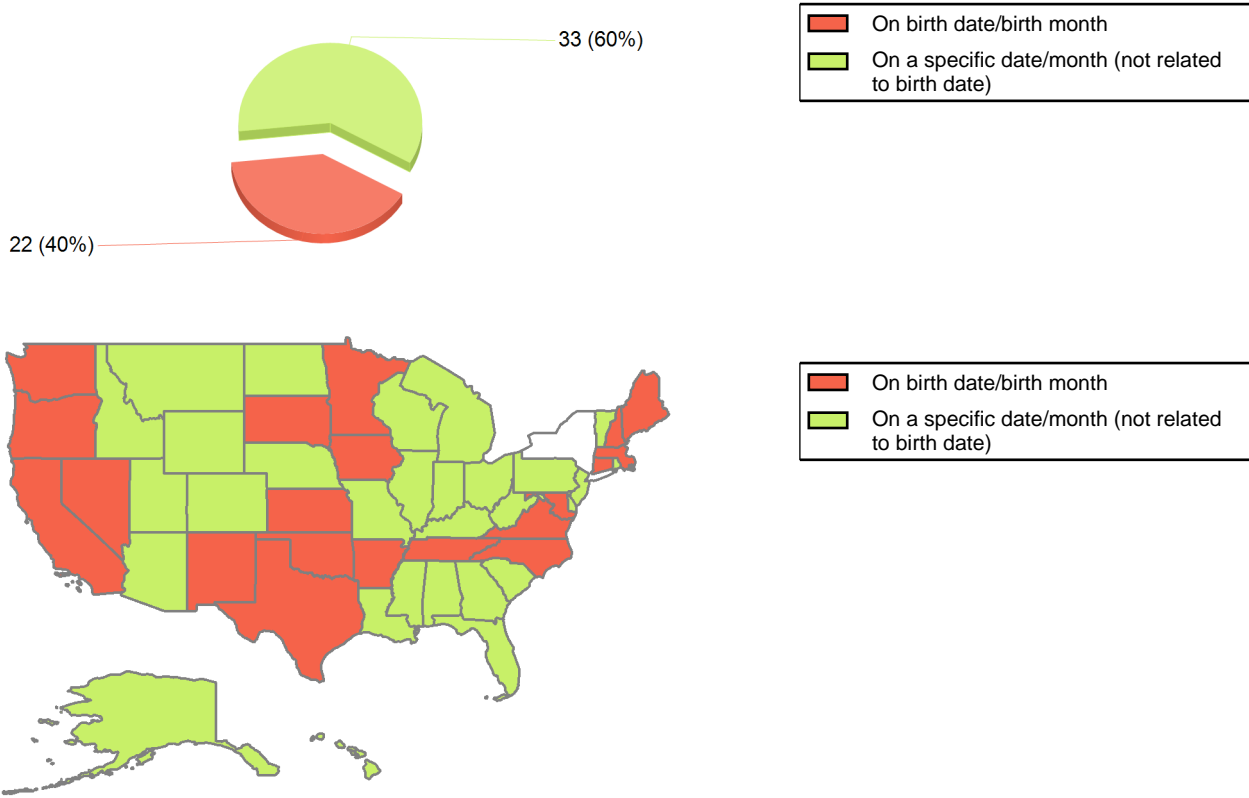
Q59. How long is a nursing license valid?



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Responses	Jurisdictions	Number of Boards	Percentage of Boards Responding
1 year	CT, KY, LA-RN, WA, WV-PN, WV-RN	6	11%
2 years	AK, AL, AR, CA-RN, CA-VN, CNMI, CO, DC, DE, FL, GA, GU, HI, ID, IL, IN, KS, MA, MD, ME, MI, MN, MO, MS, MT, NC, ND, NE, NH, NJ, NM, NV, OH, OK, OR, PA, RI, SC, SD, TN, TX, UT, VA, VI, VT, WI, WY	47	85%
3 years	IA	1	2%
4 years	AZ	1	2%

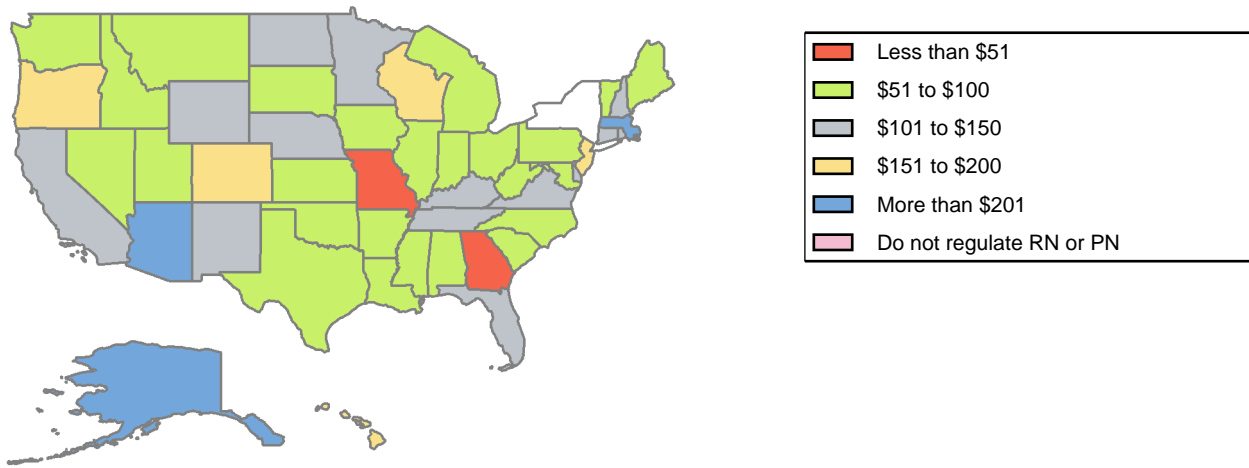
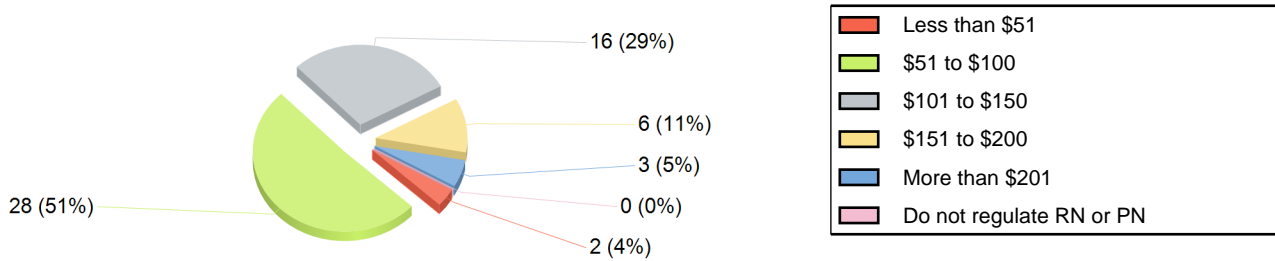
60. When are renewals processed?



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Responses	Jurisdictions	Number of Boards	Percentage of Boards Responding
On birth date/birth month	AR, CA-RN, CA-VN, CNMI, CT, IA, KS, MA, MD, ME, MN, NC, NH, NM, NV, OK, OR, SD, TN, TX, VA, WA	22	40%
On a specific date/month (not related to birth date)	AK, AL, AZ, CO, DC, DE, FL, GA, GU, HI, ID, IL, IN, KY, LA-RN, MI, MO, MS, MT, ND, NE, NJ, OH, PA, RI, SC, UT, VI, VT, WI, WV-PN, WV-RN, WY	33	60%

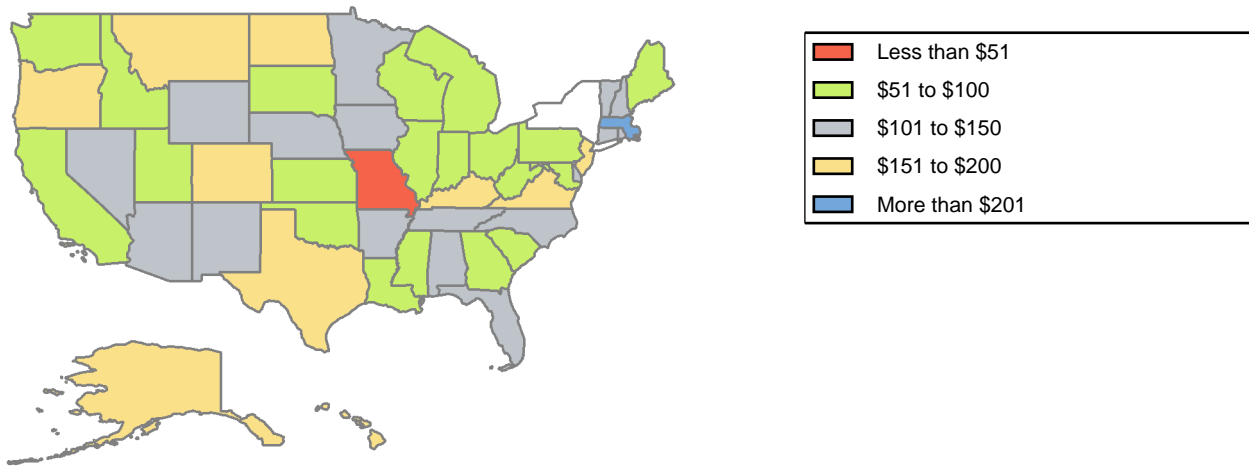
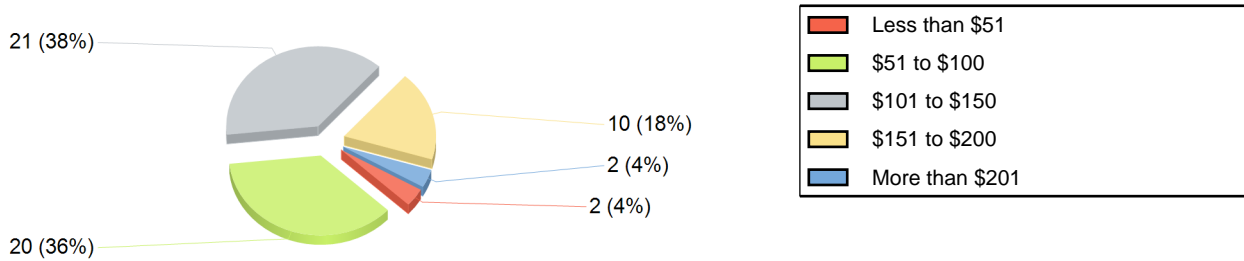
61. Which of the following amounts is closest to the RN/PN initial licensure by examination fee? (including application fee if applicable, but not to include NCLEX or CBC fee)



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Responses	Jurisdictions	Number of Boards	Percentage of Boards Responding
Less than \$51	GA, MO	2	4%
\$51 to \$100	AL, AR, CNMI, GU, IA, ID, IL, IN, KS, LA-RN, MD, ME, MI, MS, MT, NC, NV, OH, OK, PA, SC, SD, TX, UT, VT, WA, WV-PN, WV-RN	28	51%
\$101 to \$150	CA-RN, CA-VN, CT, DE, FL, KY, MN, ND, NE, NH, NM, RI, TN, VA, VI, WY	16	29%
\$151 to \$200	CO, DC, HI, NJ, OR, WI	6	11%
More than \$201	AK, AZ, MA	3	5%
Do not regulate RN or PN		0	0%

62. Which of the following amounts is closest to the RN/PN initial licensure by endorsement fee? (including application fee if applicable, but not to include CBC fee)

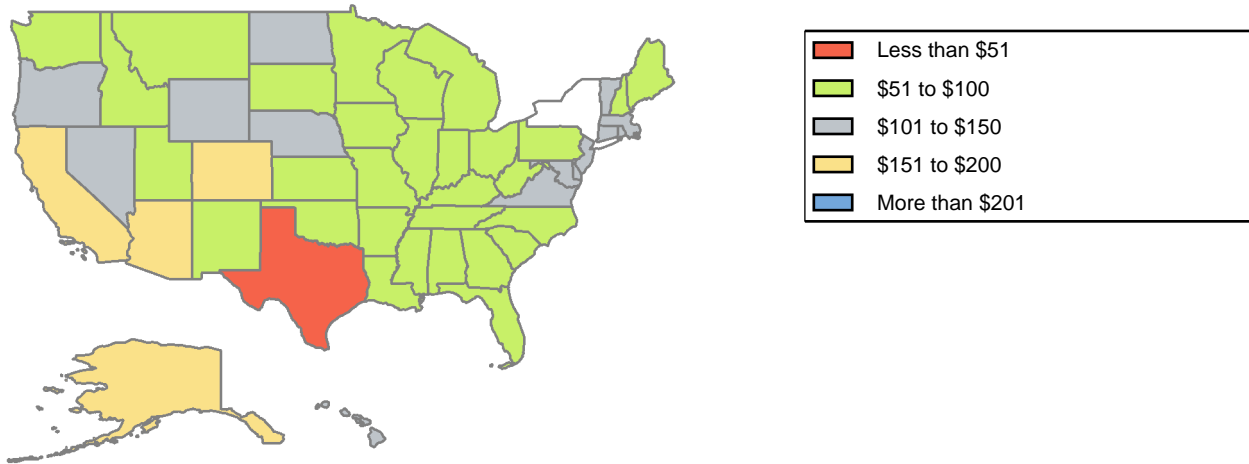
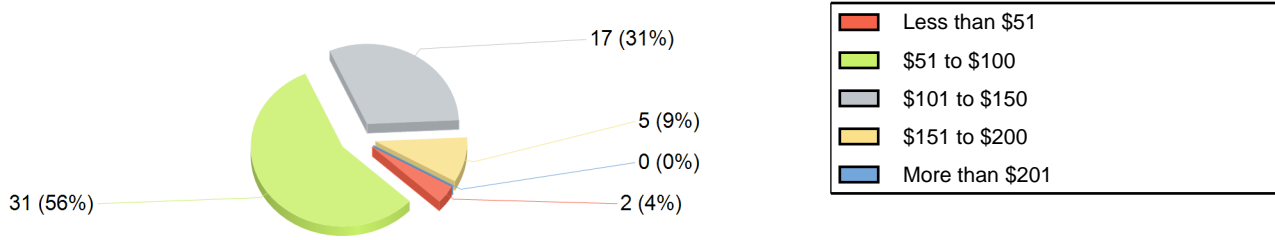


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Responses	Jurisdictions	Number of Boards	Percentage of Boards Responding
Less than \$51	MO, WV-PN	2	4%
\$51 to \$100	CA-RN, GA, ID, IL, IN, KS, LA-RN, MD, ME, MI, MS, OH, OK, PA, SC, SD, UT, WA, WI, WV-RN	20	36%
\$101 to \$150	AL, AR, AZ, CA-VN, CNMI, CT, DE, FL, GU, IA, MN, NC, NE, NH, NM, NV, RI, TN, VI, VT, WY	21	38%
\$151 to \$200	AK, CO, HI, KY, MT, ND, NJ, OR, TX, VA	10	18%
More than \$201	DC, MA	2	4%



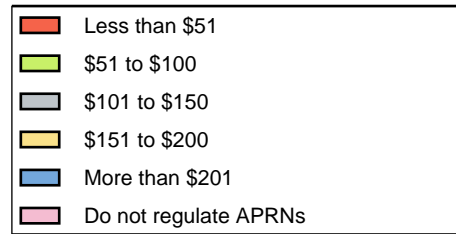
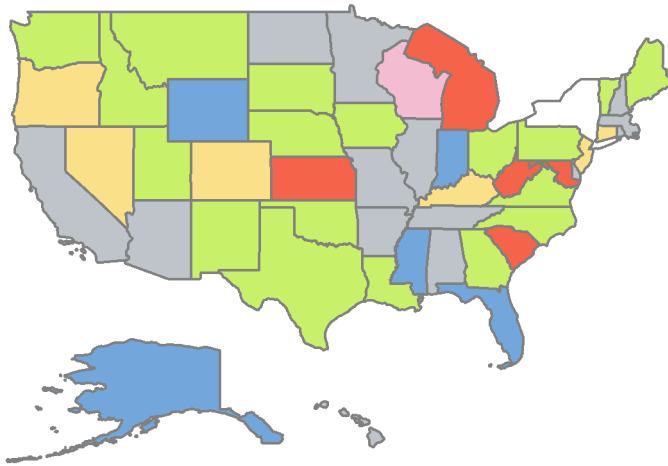
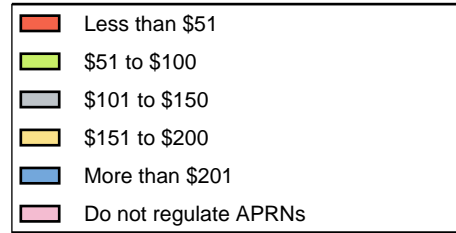
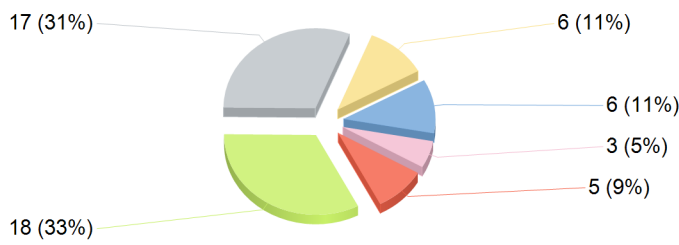
63. Which of the following amounts is closest to the RN/PN renewal fee? (not to include CBC fee)



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Responses	Jurisdictions	Number of Boards	Percentage of Boards Responding
Less than \$51	TX, WV-PN	2	4%
\$51 to \$100	AL, AR, FL, GA, GU, IA, ID, IL, IN, KS, KY, LA-RN, ME, MI, MN, MO, MS, MT, NC, NH, NM, OH, OK, PA, SC, SD, TN, UT, WA, WI, WV-RN	31	56%
\$101 to \$150	CNMI, CT, DC, DE, HI, MA, MD, ND, NE, NJ, NV, OR, RI, VA, VI, VT, WY	17	31%
\$151 to \$200	AK, AZ, CA-RN, CA-VN, CO	5	9%
More than \$201		0	0%

64. Which of the following amounts is closest to the APRN initial licensure fee? (including application fee if applicable, but not to include CBC fee)

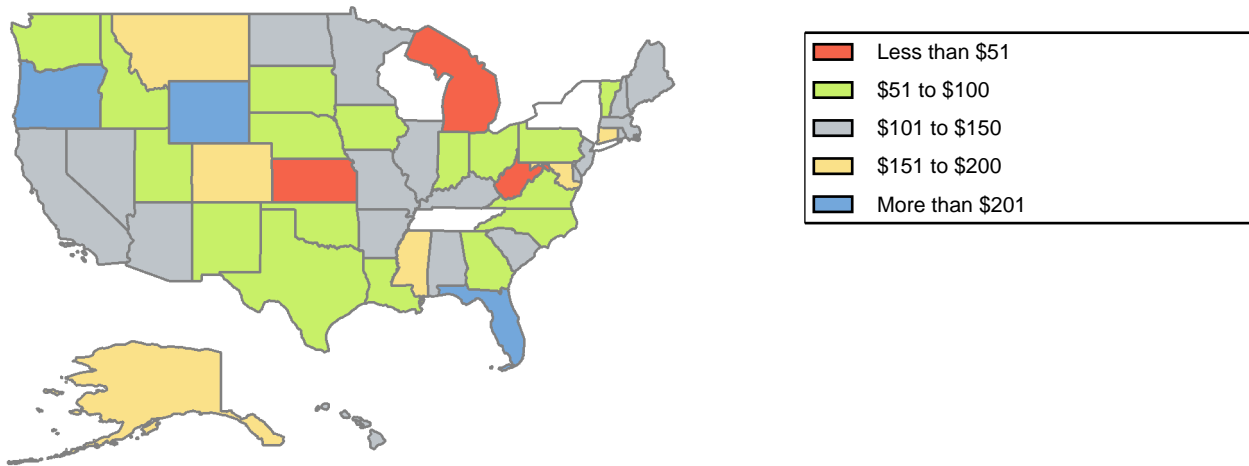
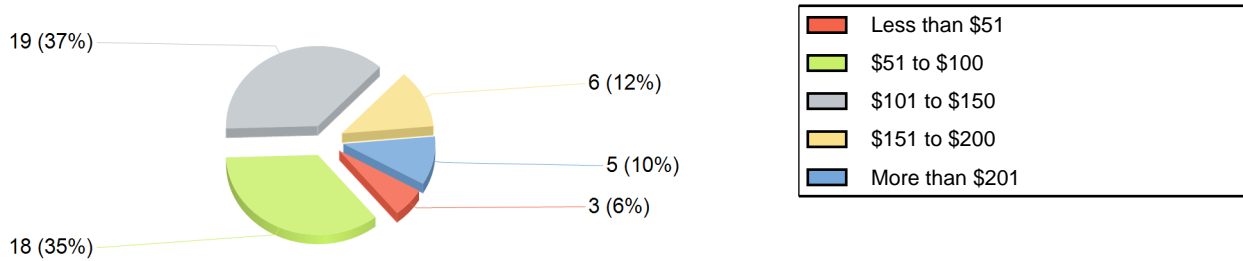


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Responses	Jurisdictions	Number of Boards	Percentage of Boards Responding
Less than \$51	KS, MD, MI, SC, WV-RN	5	9%
\$51 to \$100	GA, IA, ID, LA-RN, ME, MT, NC, NE, NM, OH, OK, PA, SD, TX, UT, VA, VT, WA	18	33%
\$101 to \$150	AL, AR, AZ, CA-RN, CNMI, DE, GU, HI, IL, MA, MN, MO, ND, NH, RI, TN, VI	17	31%
\$151 to \$200	CO, CT, KY, NJ, NV, OR	6	11%
More than \$201	AK, DC, FL, IN, MS, WY	6	11%
Do not regulate APRNs	CA-VN, WI, WV-PN	3	5%



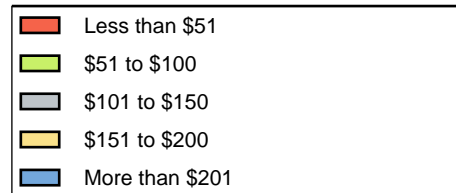
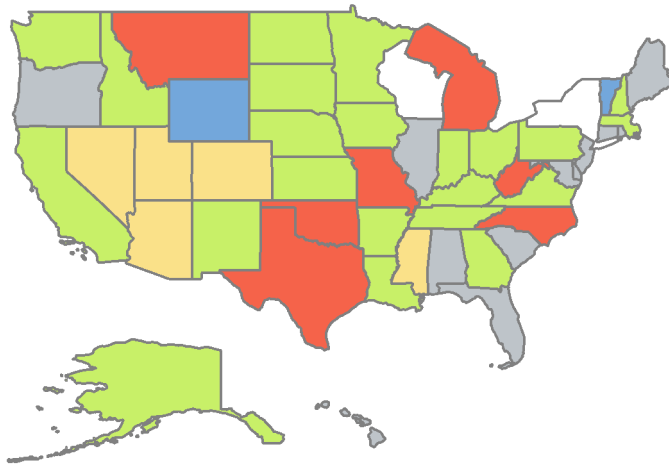
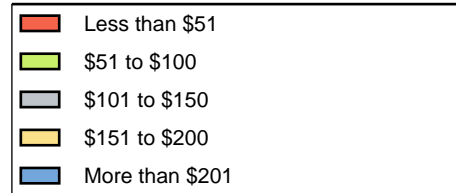
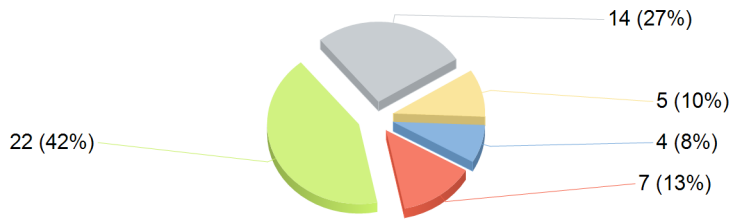
65. Which of the following amounts is closest to the APRN initial licensure by endorsement fee? (including application fee if applicable, but not to include CBC fee)



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Responses	Jurisdictions	Number of Boards	Percentage of Boards Responding
Less than \$51	KS, MI, WV-RN	3	6%
\$51 to \$100	CNMI, GA, IA, ID, IN, LA-RN, NC, NE, NM, OH, OK, PA, SD, TX, UT, VA, VT, WA	18	35%
\$101 to \$150	AL, AR, AZ, CA-RN, DE, HI, IL, KY, MA, ME, MN, MO, ND, NH, NJ, NV, RI, SC, VI	19	37%
\$151 to \$200	AK, CO, CT, MD, MS, MT	6	12%
More than \$201	DC, FL, GU, OR, WY	5	10%

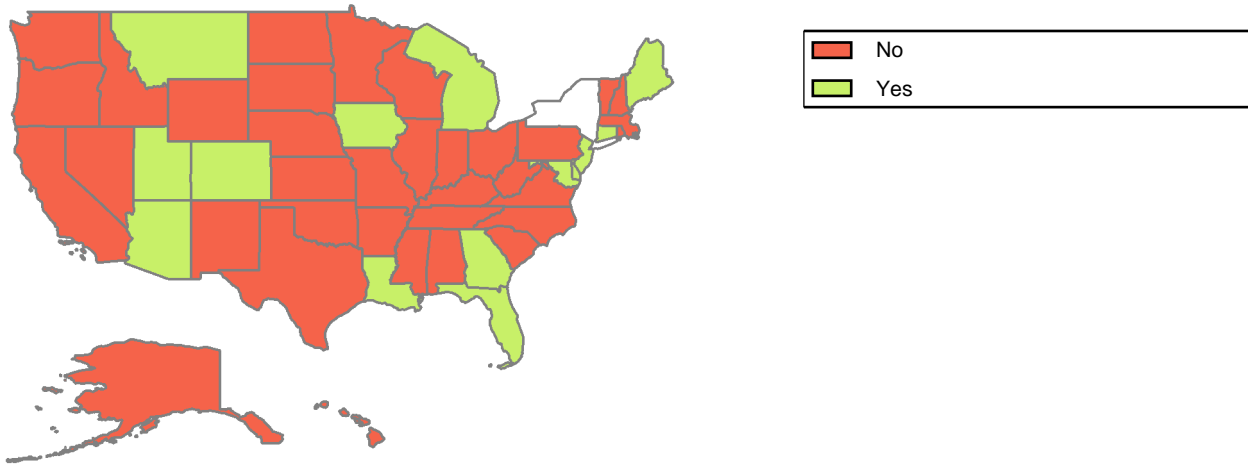
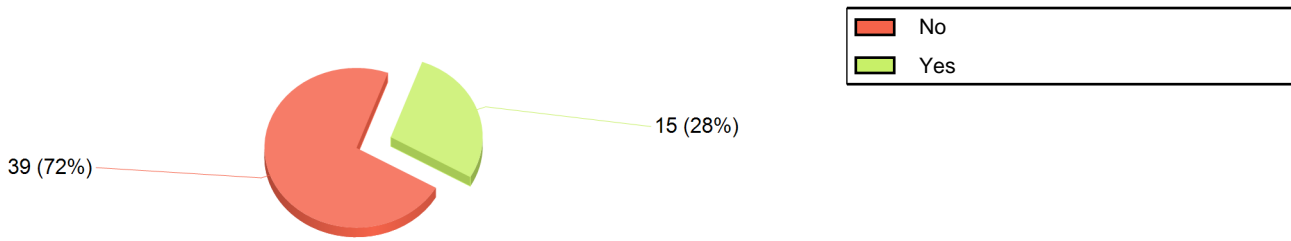
66. Which of the following amounts is closest to the APRN renewal fee?



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Responses	Jurisdictions	Number of Boards	Percentage of Boards Responding
Less than \$51	MI, MO, MT, NC, OK, TX, WV-RN	7	13%
\$51 to \$100	AK, AR, CA-RN, GA, IA, ID, IN, KS, KY, LA-RN, MA, MN, ND, NE, NH, NM, OH, PA, SD, TN, VA, WA	22	42%
\$101 to \$150	AL, CNMI, CT, DE, FL, HI, IL, MD, ME, NJ, OR, RI, SC, VI	14	27%
\$151 to \$200	AZ, CO, MS, NV, UT	5	10%
More than \$201	DC, GU, VT, WY	4	8%

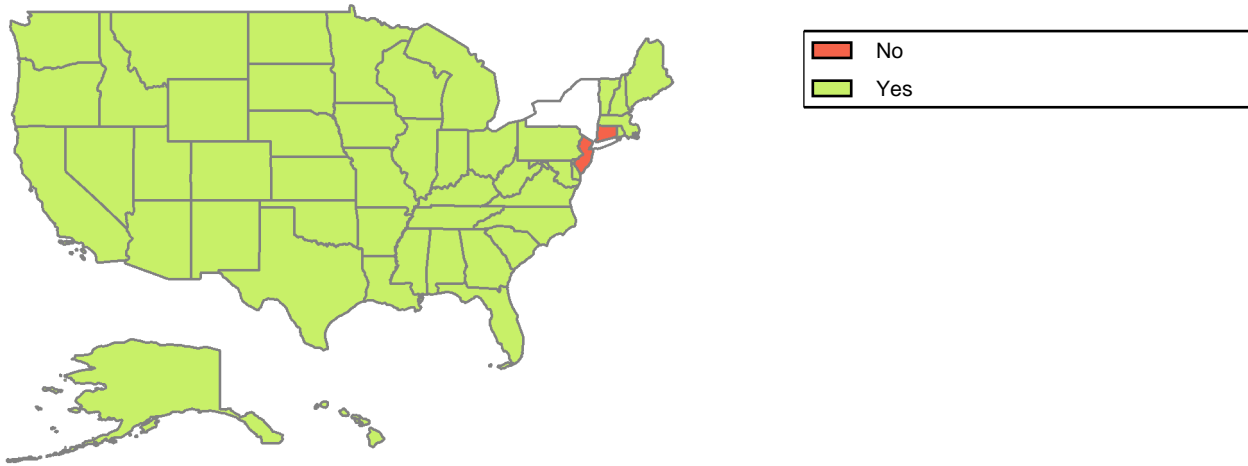
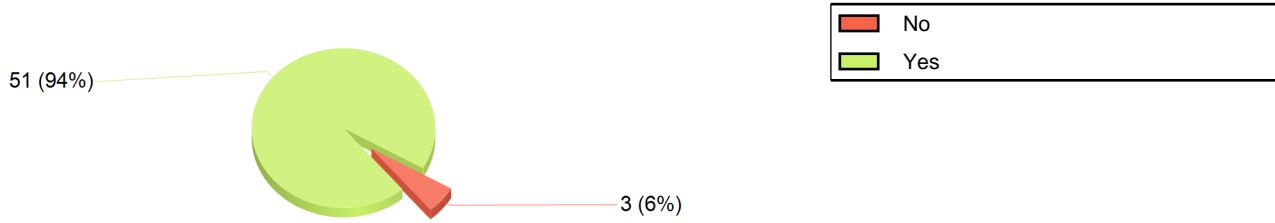
67. If not renewed on time, is there a grace period for renewal of license?



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Responses	Jurisdictions	Number of Boards	Percentage of Boards Responding
No	AK, AL, AR, CA-RN, CNMI, GU, HI, ID, IL, IN, KS, KY, MA, MN, MO, MS, NC, ND, NE, NH, NM, NV, OH, OK, OR, PA, RI, SC, SD, TN, TX, VA, VI, VT, WA, WI, WV-PN, WV-RN, WY	39	72%
Yes	AZ, CO, CT, DC, DE, FL, GA, IA, LA-RN, MD, ME, MI, MT, NJ, UT	15	28%

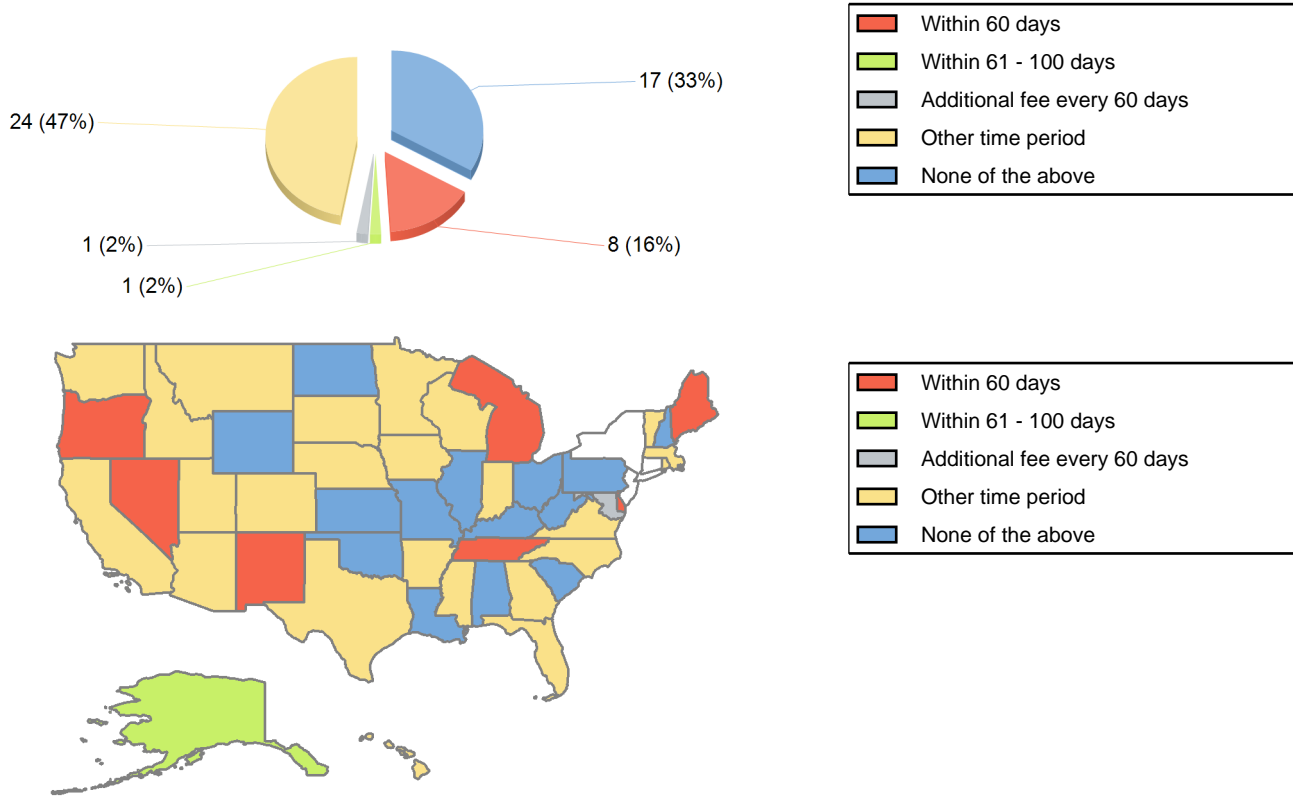
68. Does a license expire if not renewed on time?



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Responses	Jurisdictions	Number of Boards	Percentage of Boards Responding
No	CT, NJ, VI	3	6%
Yes	AK, AL, AR, AZ, CA-RN, CNMI, CO, DC, DE, FL, GA, GU, HI, IA, ID, IL, IN, KS, KY, LA-RN, MA, MD, ME, MI, MN, MO, MS, MT, NC, ND, NE, NH, NM, NV, OH, OK, OR, PA, RI, SC, SD, TN, TX, UT, VA, VT, WA, WI, WV-PN, WV-RN, WY	51	94%

69. During what period of time, may the licensee pay a financial penalty or fee to reactivate an expired license?



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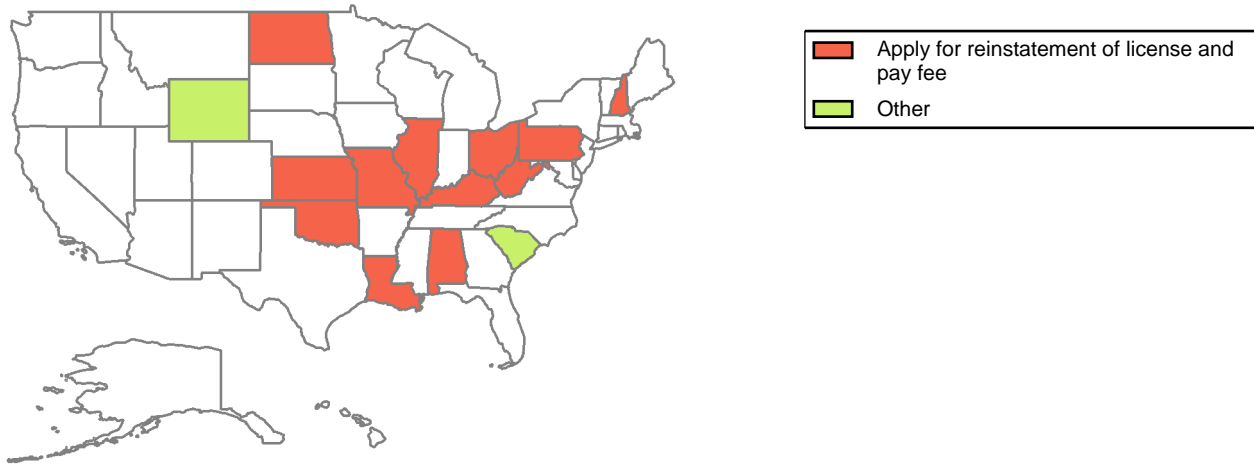
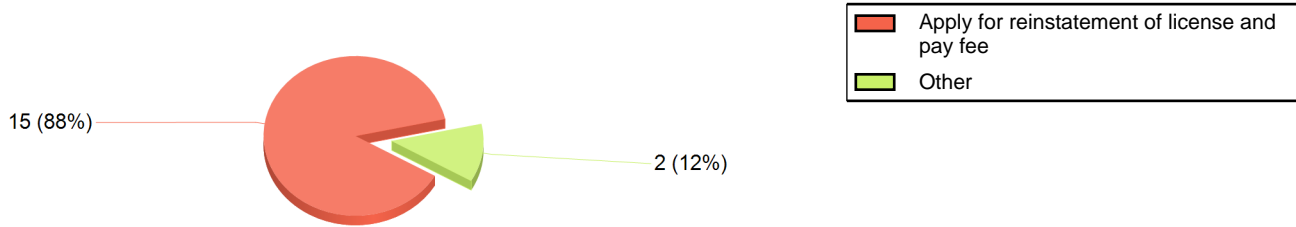
Responses	Jurisdictions	Number of Boards	Percentage of Boards Responding
Within 60 days	DC, DE, ME, MI, NM, NV, OR, TN	8	16%
Within 61 - 100 days	AK	1	2%
Additional fee every 60 days	MD	1	2%
Other time period	AR, AZ, CA-RN, CO, FL, GA, HI, IA, ID, IN, MA, MN, MS, MT, NC, NE, RI, SD, TX, UT, VA, VT, WA, WI	24	47%
None of the above	AL, CNMI, GU, IL, KS, KY, LA-RN, MO, ND, NH, OH, OK, PA, SC, WV-PN, WV-RN, WY	17	33%

Other time period

AR	indefinitely
AZ	varies by how many months they are due to renew. If lic expired, and they have worked, it is a 200 penalty fee.
CA-RN	Up to 8 years, no other state RN license. Over 8 years with other state active RN license.
FL	2 years
GA	One month
HI	2 years from the expiration date, since the license is not placed on inactive status when they fail to renew, it is not considered a "reactivation but "restoration" of the license.
IA	30 days

ID	up to 365 days
IN	Any time after expiration
MA	Unlimited
MS	late renewal
MT	2 years
NC	Reinstatement fee is the same from 1-day pass expiration regardless of time expiration
NE	30 days
RI	two years
SD	May reactivate at any time
TX	Four Years
UT	two years
VA	two-year renewal
VT	during the current biennial period when renewing beyond the expiration date
WA	Less than 1 year
WI	5 years

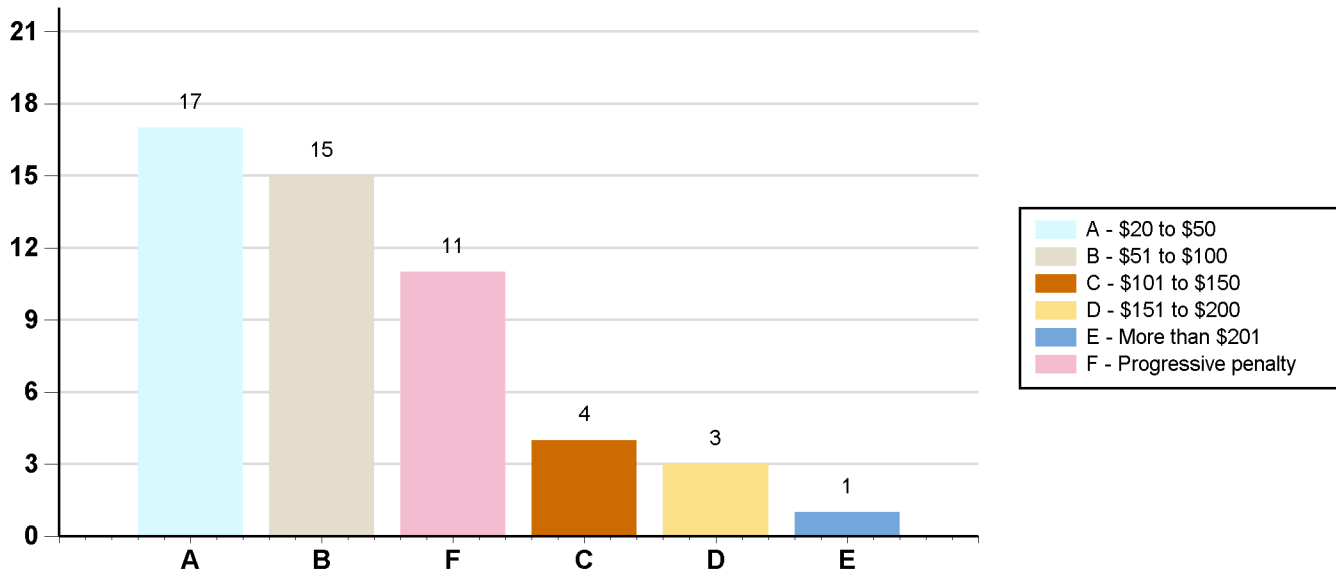
70. How does the licensee restore an expired license?



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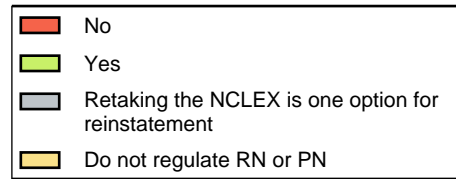
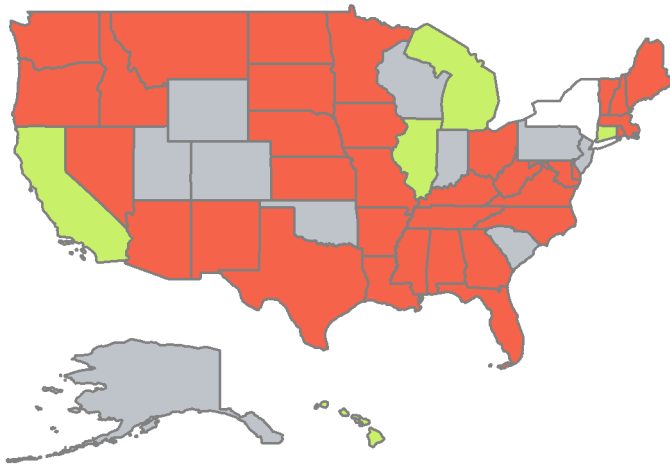
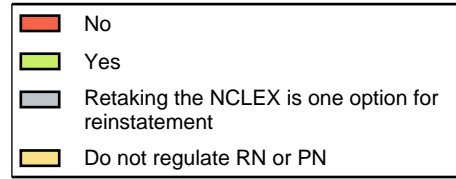
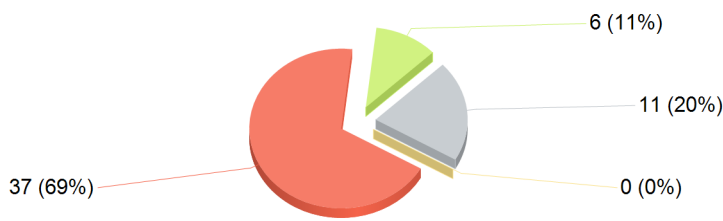
Responses	Jurisdictions	Number of Boards	Percentage of Boards Responding
Apply for reinstatement of license and pay fee	AL, CNMI, GU, IL, KS, KY, LA-RN, MO, ND, NH, OH, OK, PA, WV-PN, WV-RN	15	88%
Other	SC, WY	2	12%
Other			
	WY	apply for relicensure or restatement (if a discipline issue) and pay a fee	

71. Which of the following amounts is closest to the late renewal financial penalty/fee? (Check all that apply)



Responses	Jurisdictions	Number of Boards	Percentage of Boards Responding
\$20 to \$50	CNMI, CO, HI, IA, ID, LA-RN, MD, MI, MO, NJ, SD, UT, VA, WA, WI, WV-PN, WY	17	36%
\$51 to \$100	AK, AR, CA-RN, CA-VN, DC, FL, GA, GU, MA, MT, NV, OH, OR, TN, TX	15	32%
\$101 to \$150	AL, IN, NM, RI	4	9%
\$151 to \$200	NC, NE, NV	3	6%
More than \$201	DE	1	2%
Progressive penalty	AZ, ME, MN, MS, ND, NE, PA, TN, UT, VT, WV-RN	11	23%

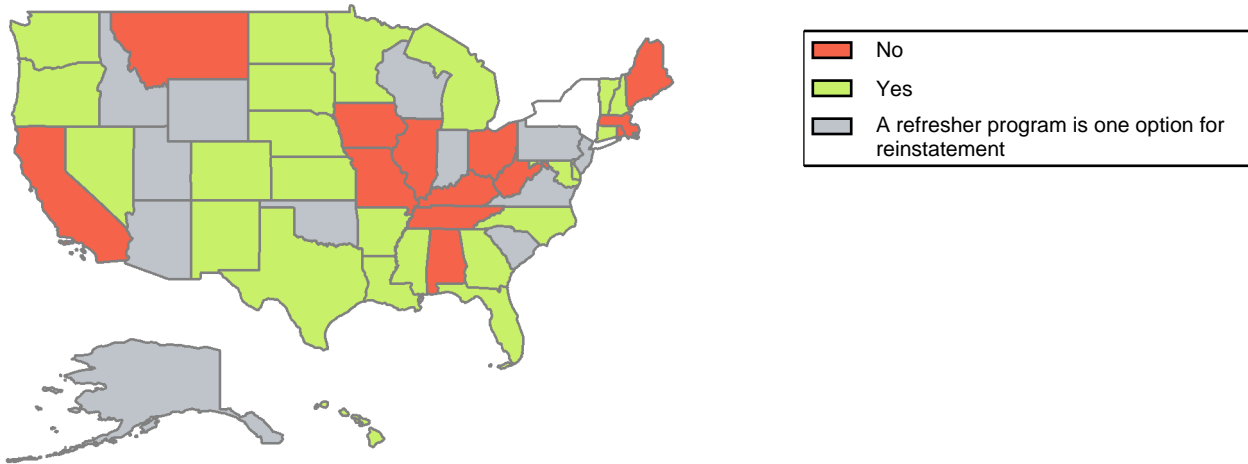
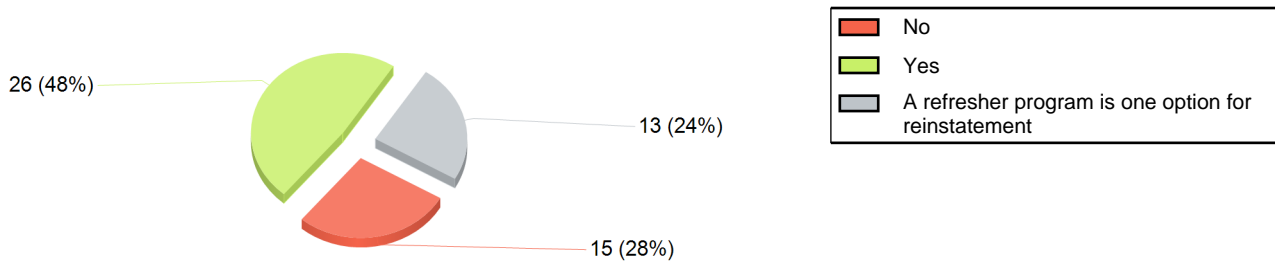
72. Is there a requirement to retake the NCLEX if a RN or PN license has been expired for a certain period of time in order to reinstate the license?



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Responses	Jurisdictions	Number of Boards	Percentage of Boards Responding
No	AL, AR, AZ, CNMI, DC, DE, FL, GA, GU, IA, ID, KS, KY, LA-RN, MA, MD, ME, MN, MO, MS, MT, NC, ND, NE, NH, NM, NV, OH, OR, RI, SD, TN, TX, VA, VT, WA, WV-RN	37	69%
Yes	CA-RN, CA-VN, CT, HI, IL, MI	6	11%
Retaking the NCLEX is one option for reinstatement	AK, CO, IN, NJ, OK, PA, SC, UT, WI, WV-PN, WY	11	20%
Do not regulate RN or PN		0	0%

73. Is there a requirement to take an approved refresher program if a RN or PN license has been expired for a certain period of time in order to reinstate the license?

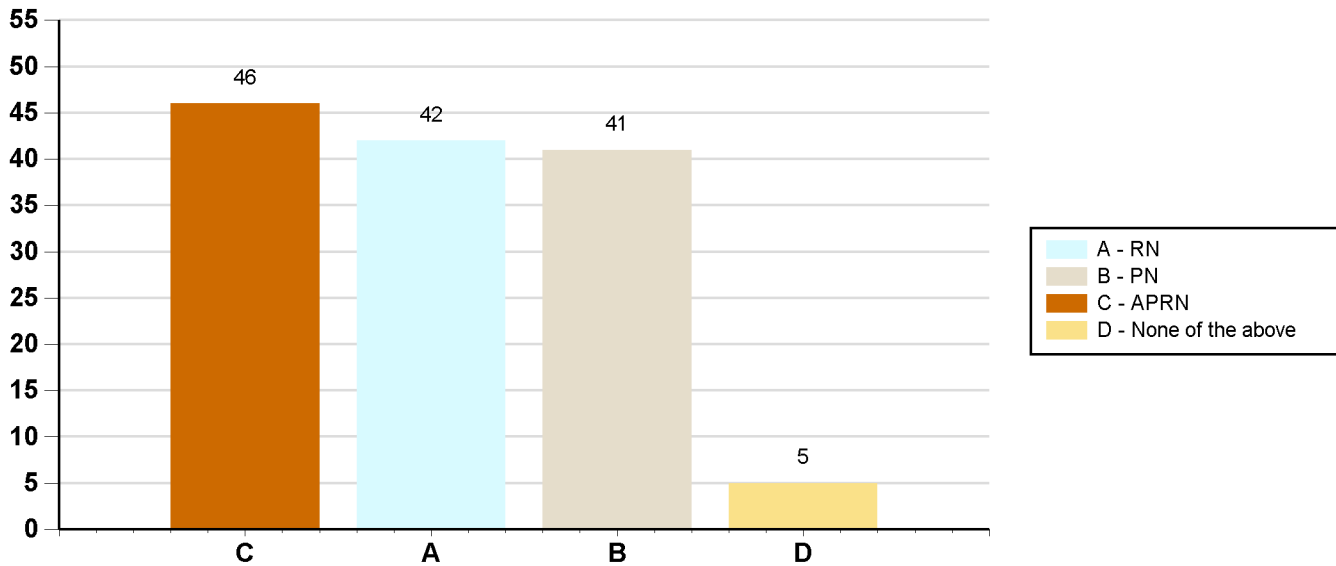


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Responses	Jurisdictions	Number of Boards	Percentage of Boards Responding
No	AL, CA-RN, CA-VN, IA, IL, KY, MA, ME, MO, MT, OH, RI, TN, WV-PN, WV-RN	15	28%
Yes	AR, CNMI, CO, CT, DE, FL, GA, GU, HI, KS, LA-RN, MD, MI, MN, MS, NC, ND, NE, NH, NM, NV, OR, SD, TX, VT, WA	26	48%
A refresher program is one option for reinstatement	AK, AZ, DC, ID, IN, NJ, OK, PA, SC, UT, VA, WI, WY	13	24%

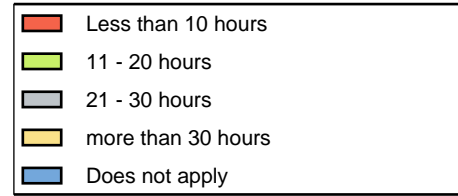
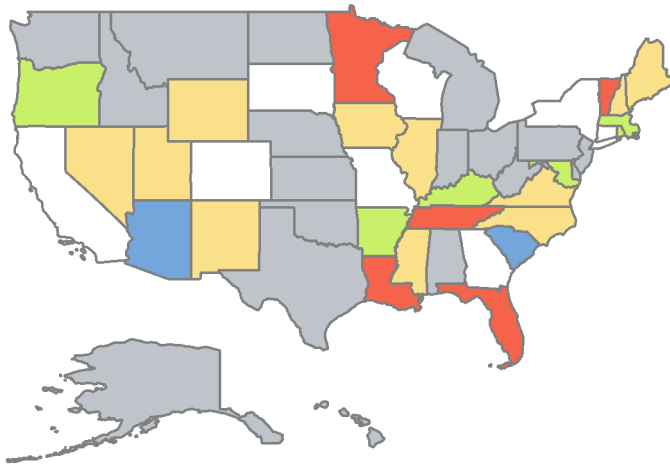
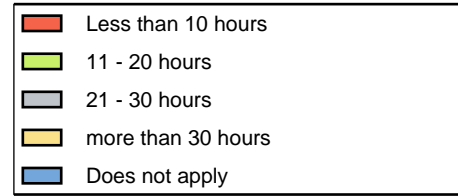
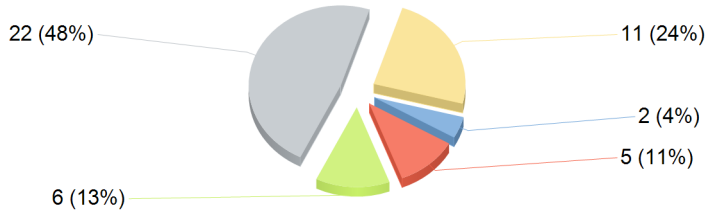
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74. Which professions require continued competency? (Check all that apply)



Responses	Jurisdictions	Number of Boards	Percentage of Boards Responding
RN	AK, AL, AR, AZ, CA-RN, CNMI, DC, DE, FL, GA, GU, HI, IA, ID, IL, KS, KY, LA-RN, MA, MI, MN, MT, NC, ND, NE, NH, NJ, NM, NV, OH, OK, PA, RI, SC, TX, UT, VA, VI, VT, WA, WV-RN, WY	42	76%
PN	AK, AL, AR, AZ, CA-VN, CNMI, DC, DE, FL, GA, GU, HI, IA, ID, IL, KS, KY, MA, MI, MN, MT, NC, ND, NE, NH, NJ, NM, NV, OH, OK, PA, RI, SC, TX, UT, VA, VI, VT, WA, WV-PN, WY	41	75%
APRN	AK, AL, AR, AZ, CNMI, DC, DE, FL, GU, HI, IA, ID, IL, IN, KS, KY, LA-RN, MA, MD, ME, MI, MN, MS, MT, NC, ND, NE, NH, NJ, NM, NV, OH, OK, OR, PA, RI, SC, TN, TX, UT, VA, VI, VT, WA, WV-RN, WY	46	84%
None of the above	CO, CT, MO, SD, WI	5	9%

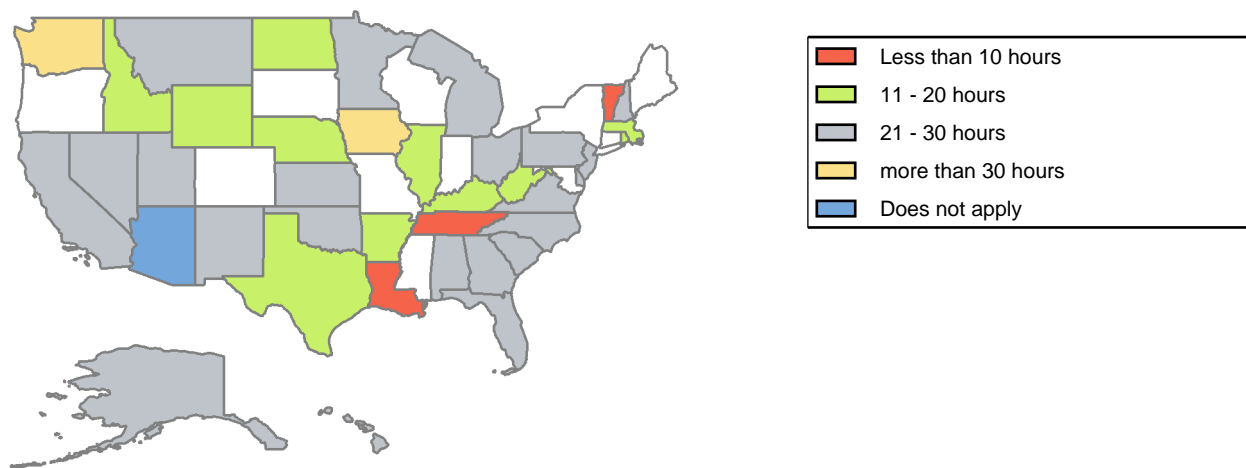
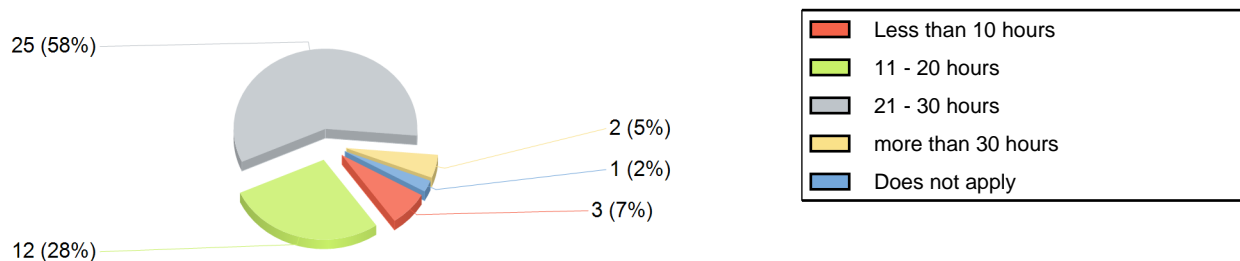
75. How many continuing education hours are required for APRNs?



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Responses	Jurisdictions	Number of Boards	Percentage of Boards Responding
Less than 10 hours	FL, LA-RN, MN, TN, VT	5	11%
11 - 20 hours	AR, KY, MA, MD, OR, RI	6	13%
21 - 30 hours	AK, AL, CNMI, DC, DE, GU, HI, ID, IN, KS, MI, MT, ND, NE, NJ, OH, OK, PA, TX, VI, WA, WV-RN	22	48%
more than 30 hours	IA, IL, ME, MS, NC, NH, NM, NV, UT, VA, WY	11	24%
Does not apply	AZ, SC	2	4%

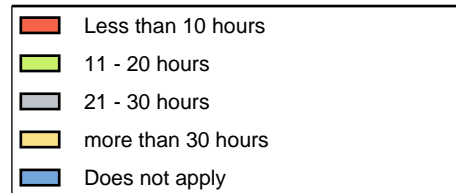
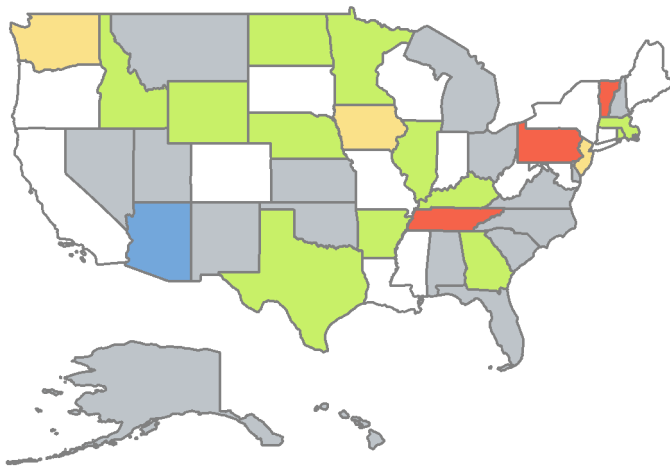
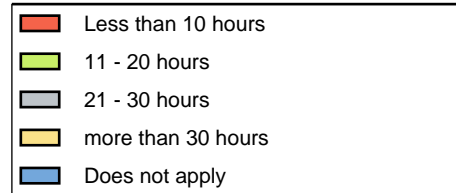
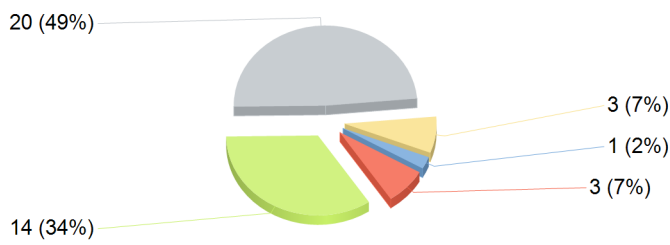
76. How many continuing education hours are required for RNs?



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Responses	Jurisdictions	Number of Boards	Percentage of Boards Responding
Less than 10 hours	LA-RN, TN, VT	3	7%
11 - 20 hours	AR, ID, IL, KY, MA, ND, NE, RI, TX, VI, WV-RN, WY	12	28%
21 - 30 hours	AK, AL, CA-RN, CNMI, DC, DE, FL, GA, GU, HI, KS, MI, MN, MT, NC, NH, NJ, NM, NV, OH, OK, PA, SC, UT, VA	25	58%
more than 30 hours	IA, WA	2	5%
Does not apply	AZ	1	2%

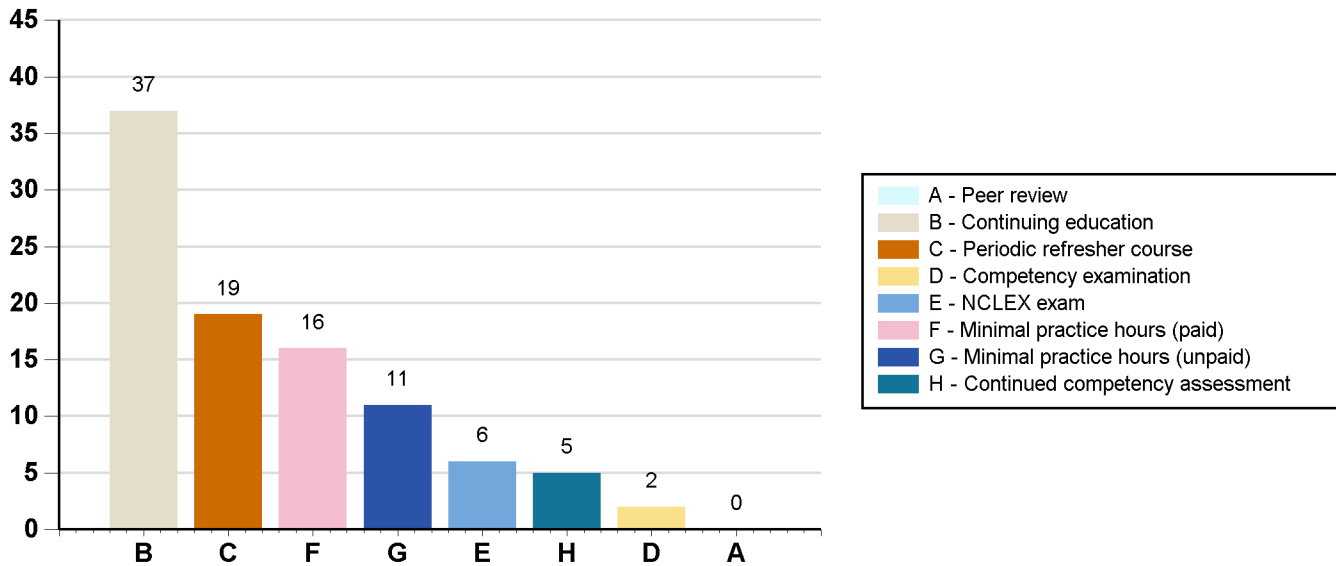
77. How many continuing education hours are required for PNs?



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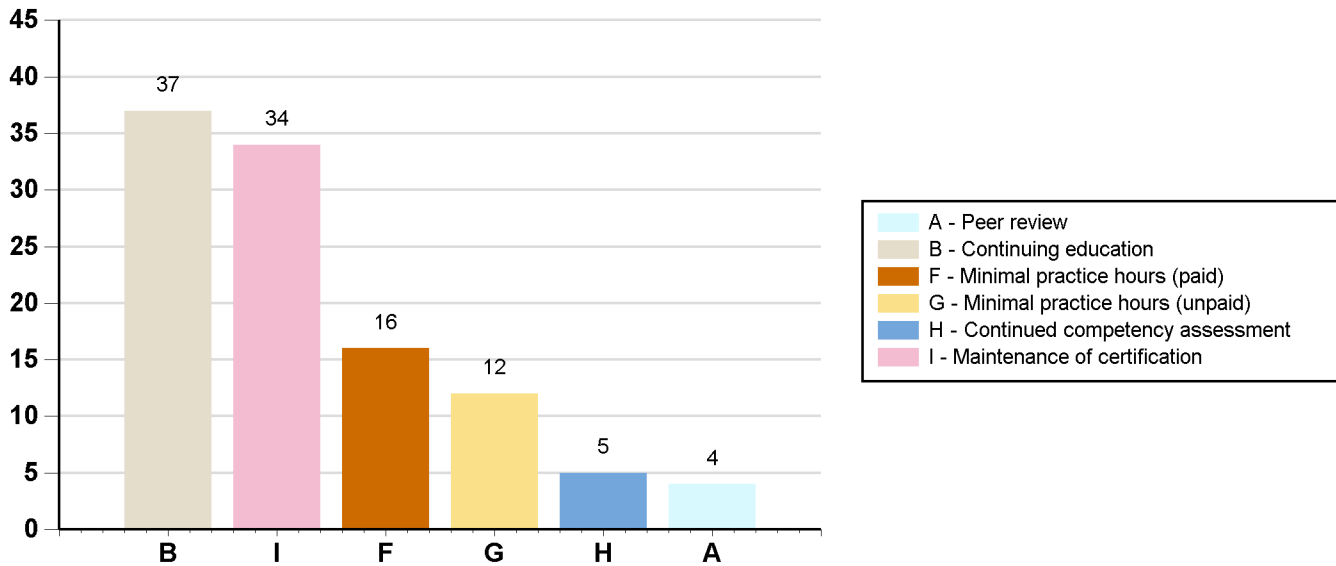
Responses	Jurisdictions	Number of Boards	Percentage of Boards Responding
Less than 10 hours	PA, TN, VT	3	7%
11 - 20 hours	AR, DC, GA, ID, IL, KY, MA, MN, ND, NE, RI, TX, VI, WY	14	34%
21 - 30 hours	AK, AL, CNMI, DE, FL, GU, HI, KS, MI, MT, NC, NH, NM, NV, OH, OK, SC, UT, VA, WV-PN	20	49%
more than 30 hours	IA, NJ, WA	3	7%
Does not apply	AZ	1	2%

78. Which of the following methods can be used to meet continued competency requirements for RNs and/or PNs? (Check all that apply)



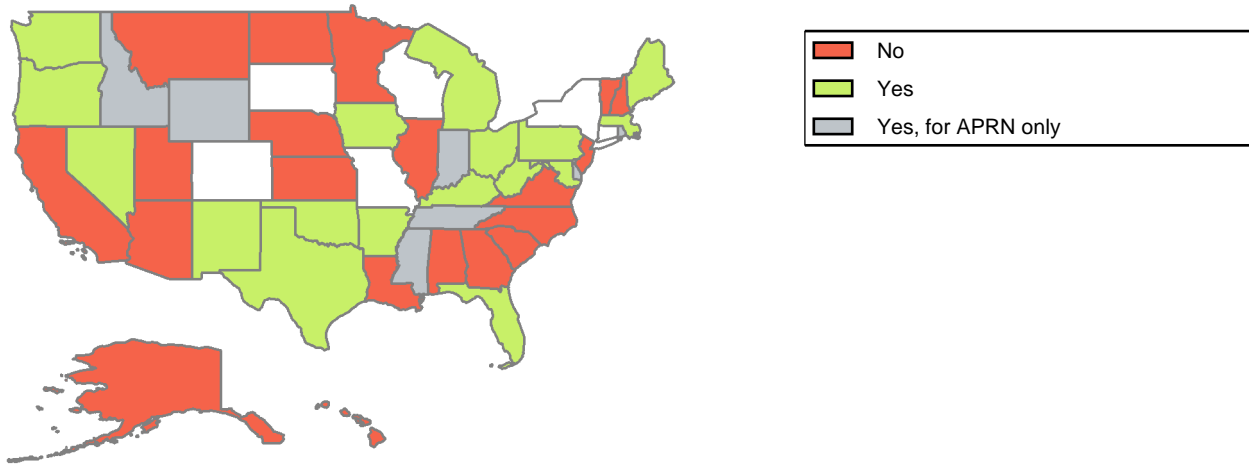
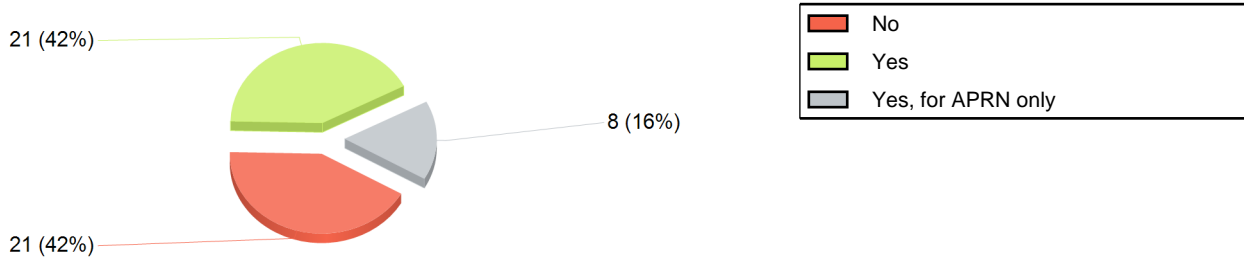
Responses	Jurisdictions	Number of Boards	Percentage of Boards Responding
Peer review		0	0%
Continuing education	AK, AL, AR, CNMI, DC, DE, FL, GA, GU, HI, IA, ID, IL, KS, KY, MA, MI, MN, MT, NC, ND, NE, NH, NJ, NM, NV, OH, OK, RI, SC, TN, TX, UT, VA, VI, WA, WY	37	92%
Periodic refresher course	AK, AZ, CNMI, DE, GA, HI, IA, ID, MA, MI, NC, ND, NE, NH, NV, OK, VA, WA, WY	19	48%
Competency examination	CNMI, NV	2	5%
NCLEX exam	AK, CNMI, DE, ND, PA, WY	6	15%
Minimal practice hours (paid)	AZ, DE, GA, ID, NC, ND, NE, NH, OK, PA, SC, VA, VI, VT, WA, WY	16	40%
Minimal practice hours (unpaid)	AZ, DE, ID, NC, ND, NH, PA, VA, VI, VT, WA	11	28%
Continued competency assessment	CNMI, ID, KY, NV, VA	5	12%

79. Which of the following methods can be used to meet continued competency requirements for APRNs? (Check all that apply)



Responses	Jurisdictions	Number of Boards	Percentage of Boards Responding
Peer review	DE, ID, MT, NV	4	9%
Continuing education	AK, AL, AR, CNMI, DC, DE, FL, GU, HI, IA, ID, IL, IN, KS, KY, LA-RN, ME, MI, MS, MT, ND, NE, NH, NJ, NM, NV, OH, OR, RI, SC, TN, TX, VA, VI, WA, WV-RN, WY	37	80%
Minimal practice hours (paid)	AK, AZ, DE, ID, LA-RN, ME, ND, NE, NH, NV, PA, TX, VI, VT, WA, WY	16	35%
Minimal practice hours (unpaid)	AZ, DE, ID, ND, NE, NH, NV, PA, TX, VI, VT, WA	12	26%
Continued competency assessment	ID, MT, NH, NV, VA	5	11%
Maintenance of certification	AK, AR, CNMI, DE, FL, HI, IA, ID, KY, LA-RN, MA, MD, ME, MN, MS, MT, NC, ND, NE, NH, NV, OK, OR, PA, RI, SC, TN, TX, UT, VA, VI, VT, WA, WY	34	74%

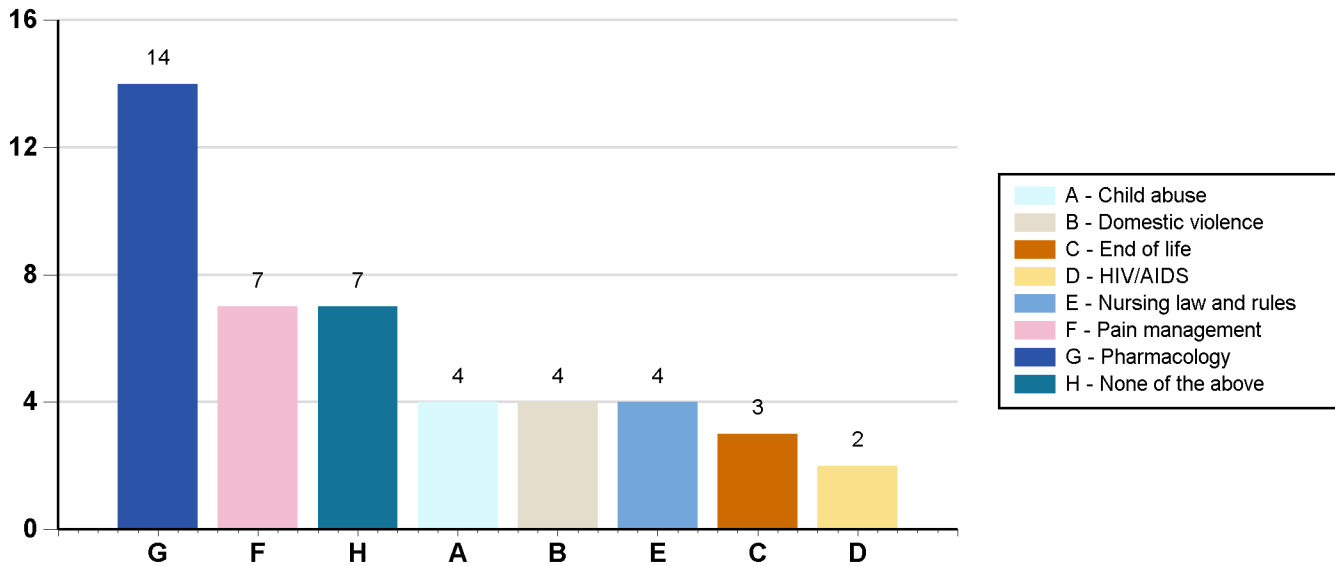
80. Is continuing competency by subject matter required as part of licensure maintenance?



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Responses	Jurisdictions	Number of Boards	Percentage of Boards Responding
No	AK, AL, AZ, CA-RN, DC, GA, HI, IL, KS, LA-RN, MN, MT, NC, ND, NE, NH, NJ, SC, UT, VA, VT	21	42%
Yes	AR, CA-VN, CNMI, FL, GU, IA, KY, MA, MD, ME, MI, NM, NV, OH, OK, OR, PA, TX, WA, WV-PN, WV-RN	21	42%
Yes, for APRN only	DE, ID, IN, MS, RI, TN, VI, WY	8	16%

81. Which subject matter topics are required for licensure maintenance? (Check all that apply)



Responses	Jurisdictions	Number of Boards	Percentage of Boards Responding
Child abuse	GU, IA, KY, PA	4	14%
Domestic violence	FL, GU, KY, MA	4	14%
End of life	GU, OK, WV-PN	3	10%
HIV/AIDS	FL, GU	2	7%
Nursing law and rules	FL, GU, OH, TX	4	14%
Pain management	GU, ME, MI, MS, NM, OR, WV-PN	7	24%
Pharmacology	AR, GU, ID, IN, KY, MD, ME, MS, NM, OK, PA, TN, WA, WY	14	48%
None of the above	CA-VN, CNMI, DE, NV, RI, VI, WV-RN	7	24%