

NMLS SAFE Mortgage Loan Originator Test Performance Update

Summary

Continuing from time to time, NMLS will release certain statistics regarding the development, delivery, and performance of the MLO SAFE Test: National Component and Unique State Components.

Background

The SAFE Act requires MLOs to pass a written qualified test. The SAFE Mortgage Loan Originator Test consists of two components— a National Component and a Unique State Component. On July 30, 2009 NMLS released the National Test Component and 11 Unique State Test Components. In October, 2009 it released another seven State Components and then six more State Components in December, 2009. This brings the total of Unique State Test Components to 24. (On January 4, 2010 the New Jersey State Test Component was released as well, which the following statistics do not include.)

Test Performance Updates

The data below represents the test components administered between July 30, 2009 and December 31, 2009. The table includes the number of test components taken and pass rates for first-time test takers as well as those candidates re-taking a test. It contains testing data for the national component as well as testing data for all of the state test components, represented as an aggregate figure.

	National Test Component	Aggregate State Test Components	Total Test Components
Test Components Taken	17,099	10,724	27,823
Test Components Passed	11,667	8,050	19,717
Pass Rate	68%	75%	

From time to time NMLS will be updating this information and other relevant testing information.