

# 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 deployed another seven State Components and then six more State Components in December, 2009. On January 4, 2010 the New Jersey State Test Component was released as well, and on February 22<sup>nd</sup>, so were an additional five Unique State Components. This brings the total number of Unique State Test Components to 30.

## Test Performance Updates

The data below represents the test components administered between July 30, 2009 and February 28, 2010. 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	29,516	19,277	48,793
Test Components Passed	19,954	14,051	34,005
Pass Rate	68%	73%	

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