



# Interstate Medical Licensure Compact

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## IMLCC DATA STUDY YEAR 6

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The Interstate Medical Licensure Compact Commission (IMLCC) has conducted the annual data study of selected completed applications. The data study looks at applications which were completed during a time frame of April 1st to March 31st of a 12-month period. The most recent study looked at applications completed between April 1, 2022 and March 31, 2023. A completed application is defined as an application started by the physician and all requested licenses have been issued or the physician failed to meet the qualification requirements and the application was denied.

The IMLCC's process, which began in April 2017, has been used by more than 15,000 physicians who were able to secure more than 63,000 licenses in IMLCC member states through April 2023. There are 39 states, the District of Columbia and the U.S. Territory of Guam, who are members of the IMLCC – a map of the member states can be found at [www.imlcc.org](http://www.imlcc.org). To use the expedited licensure process, a physician must meet nine requirements and hold an active, unrestricted license in a member state where they live, practice, or are employed.

The lingering impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic continued to create demands for physician services in multiple locations; at the same time, the dramatically increasing demand for services provided via telemedicine has been solved by the highly qualified physicians who use the IMLCC process. Other impacts on the number of physicians using the IMLCC's process include, changing pre- and post- care options available for out of state patients and physicians providing expanded coverage and specialized care in rural and underserved hospitals and clinics – a recent data study of physician usage found that over 30% of the physicians used the IMLCC process to obtain licenses to provide services in rural and underserved areas. Increasingly, physicians are looking for answers to a permanent practice/patient service need offered in multiple states, an answer that is also reimbursement friendly, in a changing environment where the public emergency reciprocity authorizations are ending and general reciprocity solutions have fallen short. The best answer continues to be the IMLCC process.

The data study has encouraging news, even with the increased number of applications and requests for licenses, the processing times have remained the same or improved. The use of Compacts by health care providers, including the IMLCC, has forever changed the way these professionals are able to provide their critical services to patients across the country.

DATA QUESTIONS	April 2018 Results	April 2019 Results	April 2020 Results	April 2021 Results	April 2022 Results	April 2023 Results
Number of completed applications included in the data study	654	2,845	2,995	3,653	4,510	6,380
Average Number of licenses obtained per applicant	3.0	3.0	1.6	4.0	4.0	4.0
Percentage who obtains one or two licenses	68	64	80	58	63	63
Percentage who obtains three or more licenses	32 <i>With 13% obtaining 7 or more licenses</i>	36 <i>With 13% obtaining 7 or more licenses</i>	20 <i>With 6% obtaining 7 or more licenses</i>	42 <i>With 14% obtaining 7 or more licenses</i>	37 <i>With 15% obtaining 7 or more licenses</i>	37 <i>With 15% obtaining 7 or more licenses</i>
Percentage of applications with a determination that the physician did not meet the eligibility requirements	11	10	16	9	9	8
Average number of days from application received to Letter of Qualification (LOQ) issued	34 <i>With 33% obtained in 15 days or less</i>	36 <i>With 32% obtained in 15 days or less</i>	37 <i>With 34% obtained in 15 days or less</i>	50 <i>With 33% obtained in 30 days or less (please note the change in our tracking mechanism)</i>	52 <i>With 35% obtained in 30 days or less</i>	44 <i>With 45% obtained in 30 days or less</i>
Average number of days from the date an applicant is determined to be qualified to the date the requested licenses are issued	15 <i>With 45% obtained in 7 days or less</i>	19 <i>With 51% obtained in 7 days or less</i>	20 <i>With 51% obtained in 7 days or less</i>	21 <i>With 53% obtained in 7 days or less</i>	18 <i>With 54% obtained in 7 days or less</i>	18 <i>With 51% obtained in 7 days or less</i>
Percentage of the applications which were additional license requests using the original Letter of Qualification but a separate application	11	20	26	<i>This data field is no longer tracked by the IMLCC system.</i>	<i>This data field is no longer tracked by the IMLCC system.</i>	<i>This data field is no longer tracked by the IMLCC system.</i>

Additional information regarding applications received and licenses issued, including month by month, physician demographical information, and numbers by member board will be posted on the IMLCC's website at <https://www.imlcc.org/news/press-releases-and-publications/>

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