

BULLETIN



OUR ANNUAL LICENSING ISSUE DIGGING DEEPER: UNDERSTANDING OUR CERTIFICATE HOLDERS AND LICENSEES

Board staff continually track, research, and analyze trends and changes in our applicant and licensee population to examine growth and achievement. Each year our fall *Bulletin* focuses on this research.

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Executive Officer's Message

Richard B. Moore, PLS

This edition of the Board *Bulletin* highlights our annual licensing statistics from this past fiscal year. I am always interested in the trends associated with licensure and welcome any observations from the readers of this edition. One trend of note is the current licensee population, which reflects increasing numbers in the more recently licensed groups versus licensees who have held a license longer. If sustainable, this bodes well

for those industries, and the Board in general, as it speaks to continued need by the public for professional services.

Please be on the lookout for an announcement about public participation in the Board's rulemaking efforts pertaining to proposed fee changes. The Board strives to establish a fee structure that is reasonable over a period of 4–5 years so that applicants and licensees are not subject to more frequent fee changes. The Board welcomes comment during the official public comment period and at Board meetings.

When announced, the official public comment period will last 45 days, and the rulemaking documents will be available at www.bpelsg.ca.gov/about_us/rulemaking.shtml.

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Board President's Message

Guillermo Martinez Jr., PE

I am honored to serve as President of the Board for Professional Engineers, Land Surveyors, and Geologists (BPELSG) in Fiscal Year 2025-2026. With three professional licenses and approximately 25 years of experience in engineering, I have seen firsthand how our professions shape safer, more resilient, and more sustainable communities. I am proud of the work this organization does to protect the health, safety, and welfare of Californians while supporting the professionals who serve our communities.

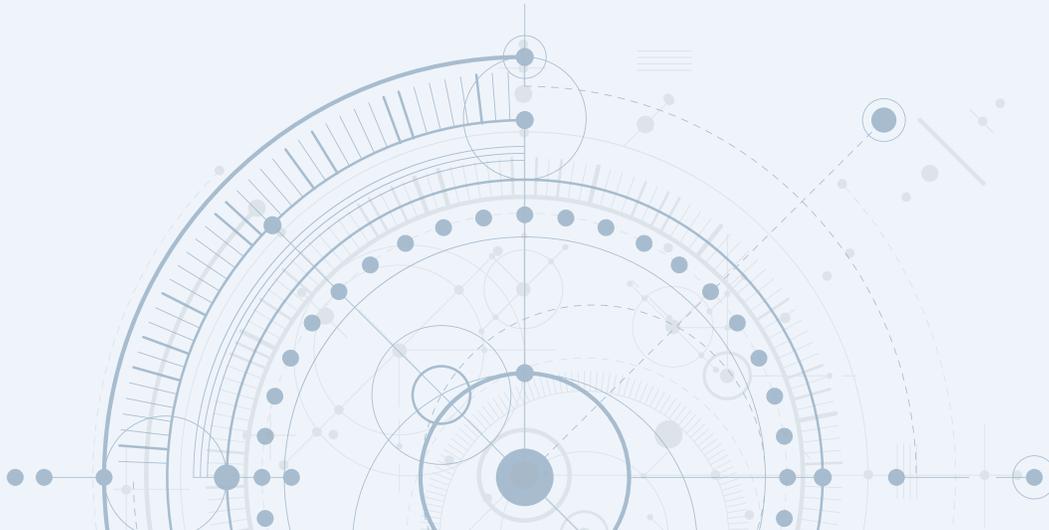
Since my appointment to the Board in 2023, I have seen the positive impact of embracing innovation through the continued evolution of our Connect portal, hybrid public meetings, transition to computer-based testing, and expanded outreach. These changes have strengthened accessibility and transparency, allowing more voices to participate in shaping the future of our professions while improving consumer protections for my fellow Californians.

Looking ahead, we face both challenges and opportunities. Climate resilience, technological transformation, and infrastructure growth demand collaboration across disciplines. Our Board will continue to ensure that licensure standards uphold the best interest of the public and that pathways to licensure remain accessible, equitable, and reflective of today's professional landscape.

I am grateful to my fellow Board members, both professional and public, for their dedication, thoughtful engagement, and shared commitment to public service. I am thankful for every single BPELSG staff member, their dedication to this Board, their commitment to the public, and their accomplishments. Together we carry forward a culture of inclusivity, mutual respect, and professionalism.

I encourage all of you—licensees, applicants, and members of the public—to engage with us, offer feedback, and help mentor the next generation of professionals. I ask that you attend our meetings, in person or virtually, to share your perspectives and to help us strengthen the professions that safeguard California's future.

I look forward to serving my fellow Californians and to working alongside you as we continue this vital mission.



Digging Deeper: Understanding Our Certificate Holders and Licensees

Here we share information with our stakeholders regarding our in-training certificate holders and licensees. The information in the charts extends to the end of the fiscal year ending June 30, 2025.

In order, the charts identify:

Fundamentals of Engineering (FE) Pass Rates (California vs. National)

Fundamentals of Surveying (FS) Pass Rates (California vs. National)

Total Number of Licenses Issued Annually—Practice Acts

Total Number of Licenses Issued Annually—Title Acts

Average Number of Licenses Issued Annually—Practice Acts

Average Number of Licenses Issued Annually—Title Acts

Change in Number of Active Practice Act Licenses (2014–2025)

Change in Number of Active Title Act Licenses (2014–2025)

Total Licenses Issued

Total Active Licensees

Total Retired Licensees

New Applications Received and New Licenses Issued (2024–2025)

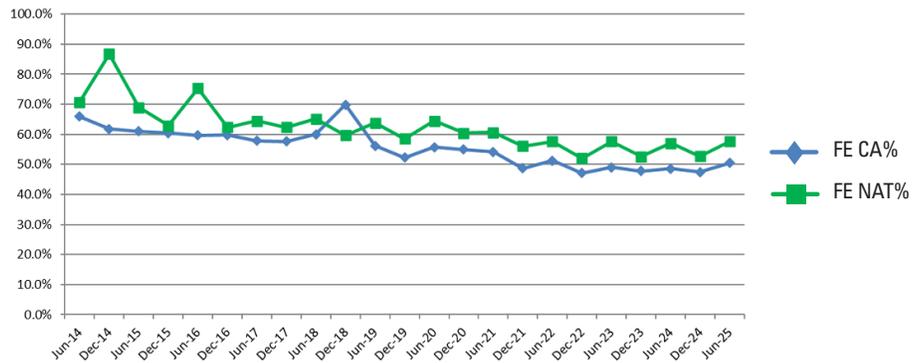
License Renewals as of June 30, 2025

License Population as of June 30, 2025

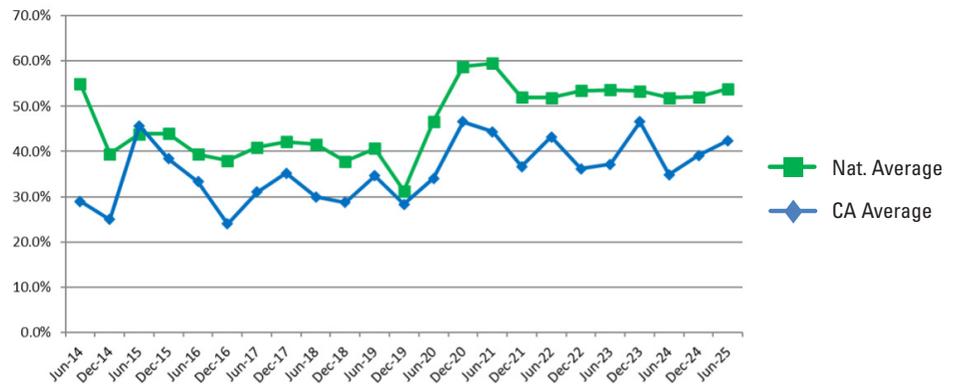
California Licensees by State (including International Number)

Years of Service Among Active Licensees

Fundamentals of Engineering (FE) Pass Rates (California vs. National)



Fundamentals of Surveying (FS) Pass Rates (California vs. National)

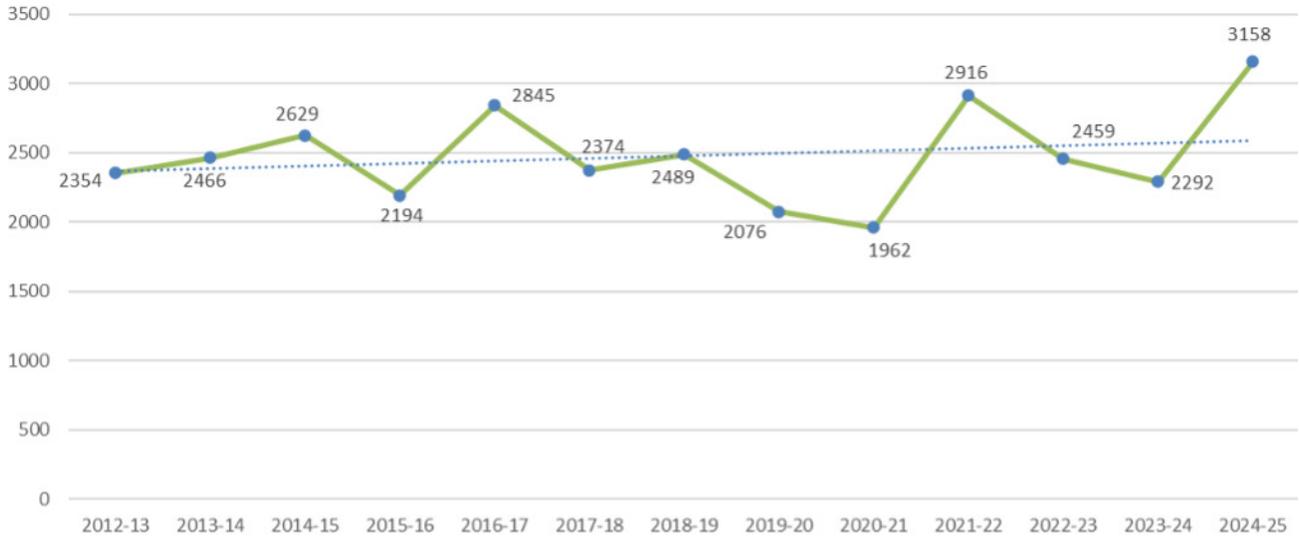


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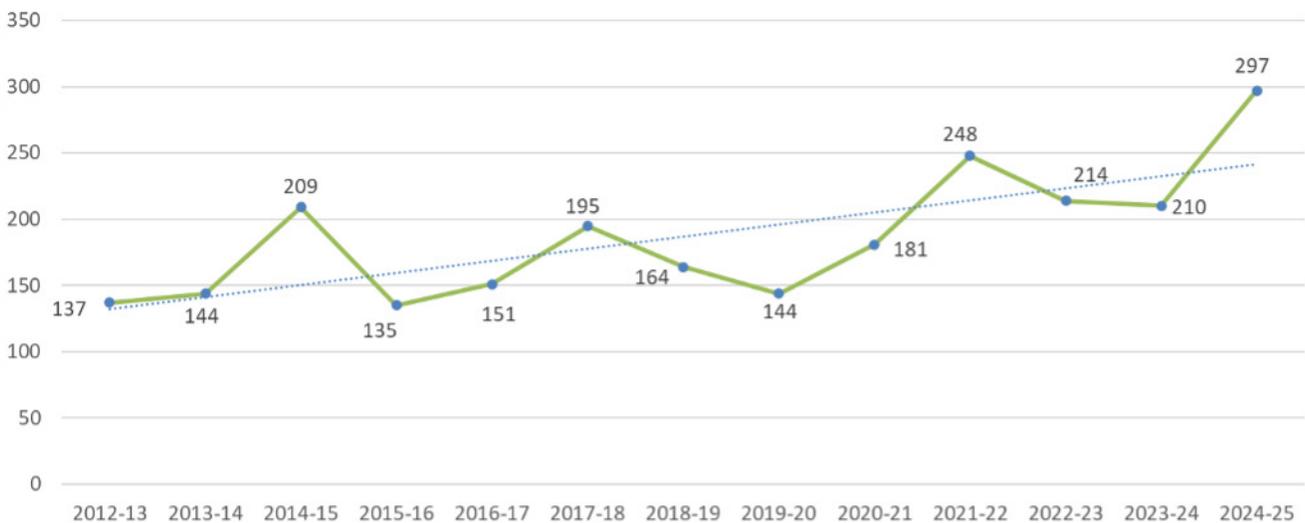
Total Number of Licenses Issued Annually—Practice Acts

(Civil, Electrical, Land Surveyor, Mechanical, Geologist, Geophysicist)



Total Number of Licenses Issued Annually—Title Acts

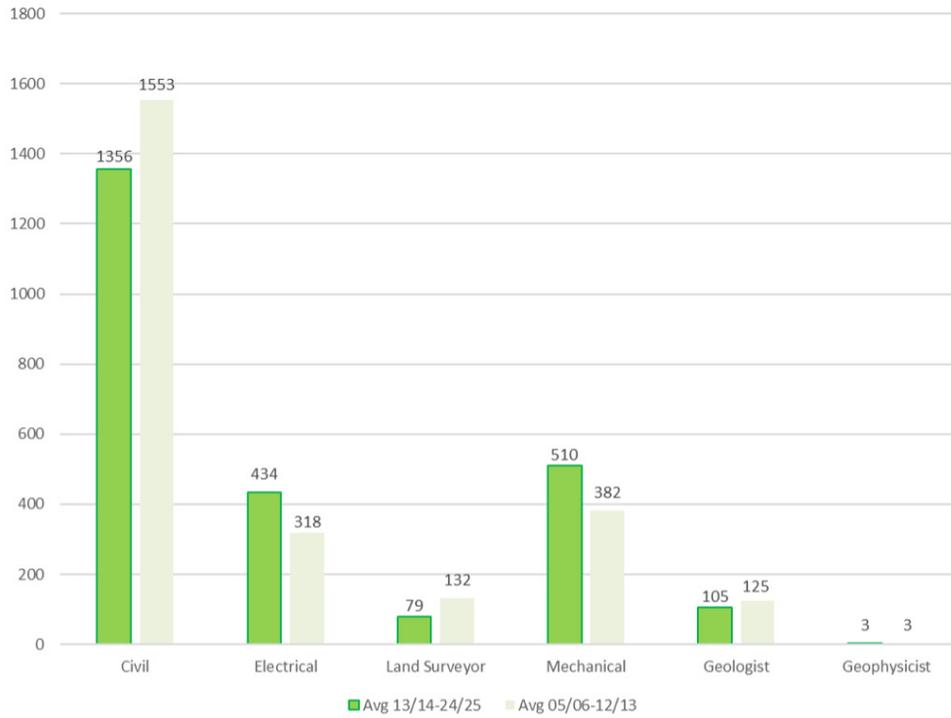
(Agricultural, Chemical, Control Systems, Fire Protection, Industrial, Metallurgical, Nuclear, Petroleum, Traffic)



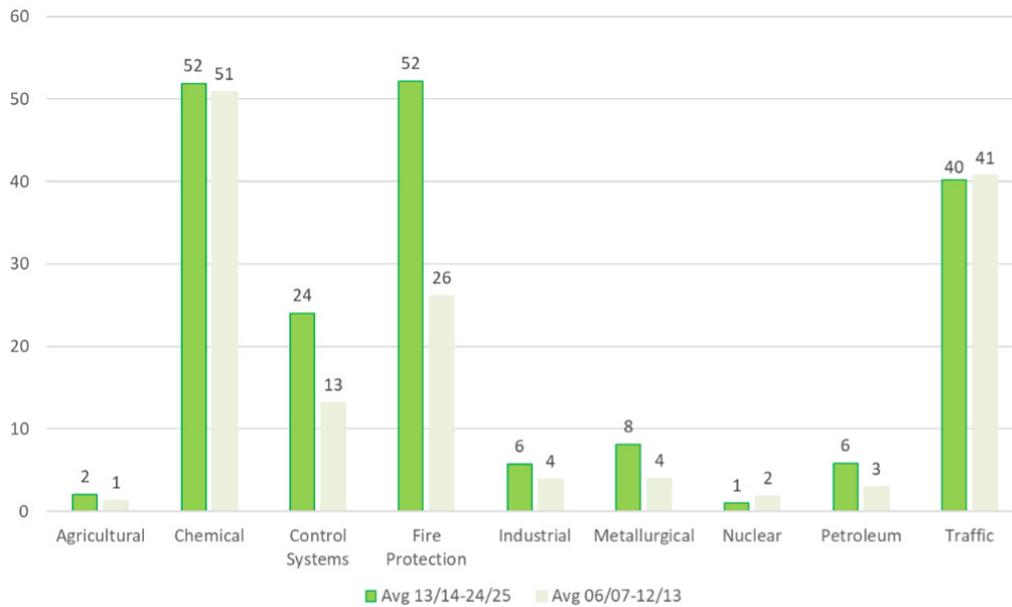
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Average Number of Licenses Issued Annually—Practice Acts



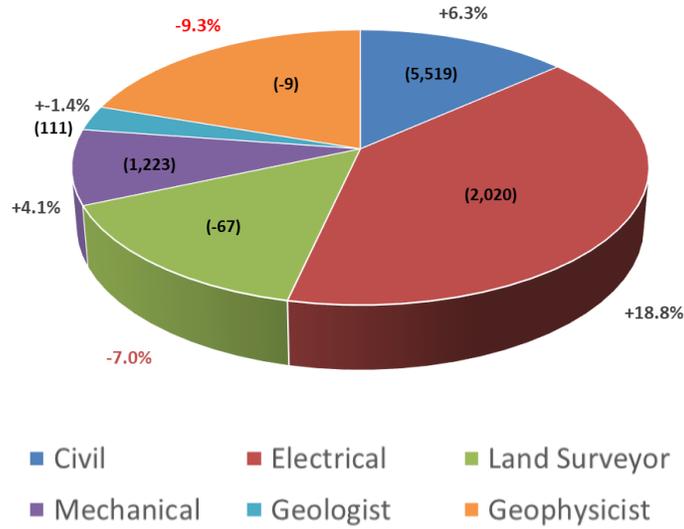
Average Number of Licenses Issued Annually—Title Acts



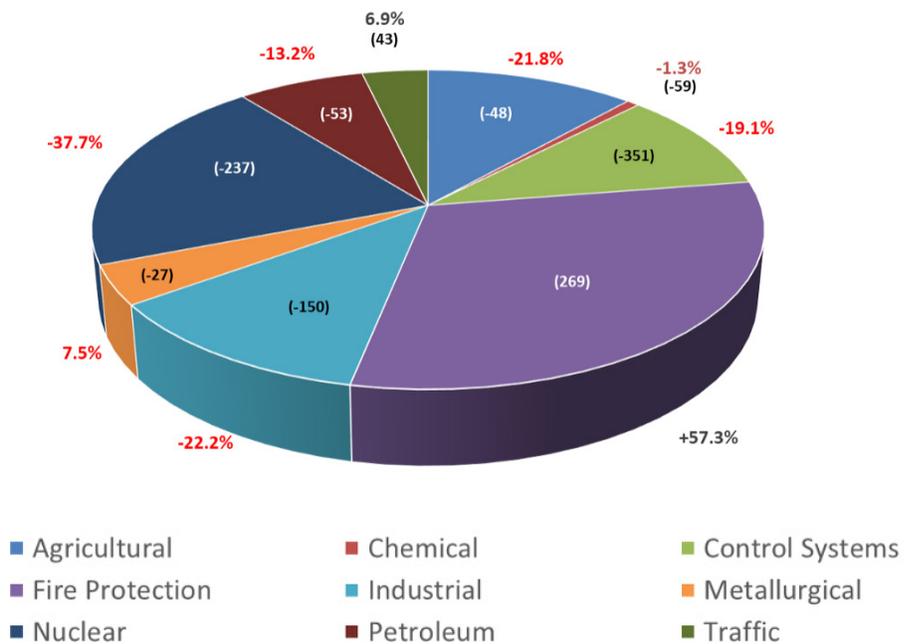
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Change in the Number of Active Practice Act Licenses - (2014–2025)



Change in the Number of Active Title Act Licenses - (2014–2025)



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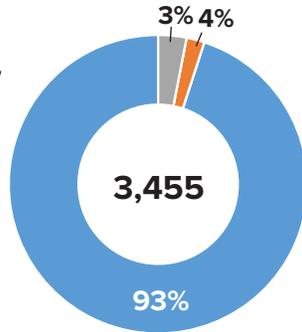
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California has the most licensed engineers in the U.S. We look more closely at this population of licensed professionals in the following charts:

Total Licenses Issued

Note: Does not include title authority or certificate holders (geotechnical, structural, engineering geologist, and hydrogeologist).

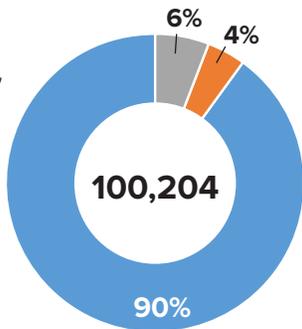
- Engineers—3,231
- Land Surveyors—96
- Geologists and Geophysicists—128



Total Active Licensees

Note: Does not include title authority or certificate holders (geotechnical, structural, engineering geologist, and hydrogeologist).

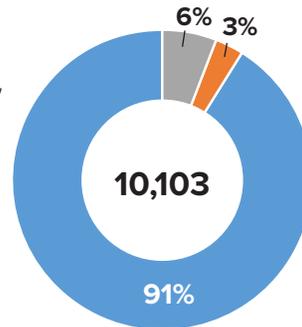
- Engineers—91,212
- Land Surveyors—3,871
- Geologists and Geophysicists—5,121



Total Retired Licensees

Note: Does not include title authority or certificate holders (geotechnical, structural, engineering geologist, and hydrogeologist).

- Engineers—9,354
- Land Surveyors—488
- Geologists and Geophysicists—261



FISCAL YEAR 2024-25

LICENSE TYPE	APPLICATIONS RECEIVED	LICENSES ISSUED
ENGINEERS		
Agricultural	4	2
Chemical	61	57
Civil	1,961	1,518
Control Systems	36	34
Electrical	612	690
Engineering Geologist	37	18
Fire Protection	89	114
Geotechnical	86	36
Hydrogeologist	11	7
Industrial	12	12
Mechanical	610	726
Metallurgical	15	14
Nuclear	3	2
Petroleum	7	6
Structural	79	70
Traffic	117	56
LAND SURVEYORS		
Land Surveyor	145	96
GEOLOGISTS AND GEOPHYSICISTS		
Geologist	181	124
Geophysicist	7	4
CERTIFICATES		
Engineer-in-Training	2,984	2,955
Geologist-in-Training	272	142

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LICENSE RENEWALS	
AS OF JUNE 30, 2025	
PRACTICE ACTS	LICENSES RENEWED
Civil	27,704
Electrical	6,000
Geologist	2,481
Geophysicist	71
Land Surveyor	1,902
Mechanical	8,116
TITLE ACTS	LICENSES RENEWED
Agricultural	38
Chemical	886
Control Systems	345
Corrosion	38
Fire Protection	581
Industrial	107
Manufacturing	67
Metallurgical	103
Nuclear	66
Petroleum	129
Quality	61
Safety	57
Traffic	827
TITLE AUTHORITIES	LICENSES RENEWED
Engineering Geologist	614
Geotechnical	587
Hydrogeologist	434
Structural	2,050

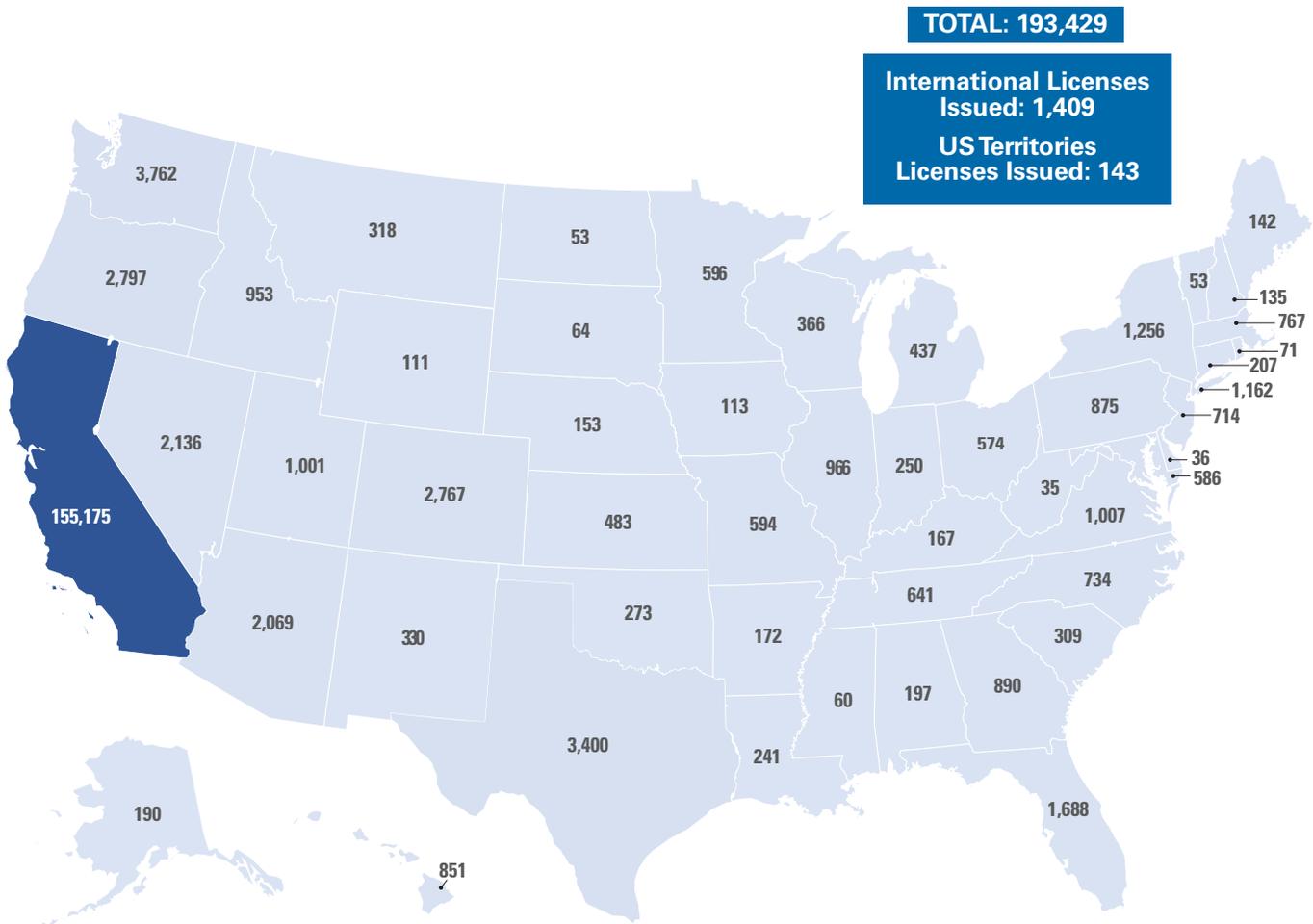
LICENSE POPULATION	
AS OF JUNE 30, 2025	
PRACTICE ACTS	TOTAL ACTIVE LICENSES
Civil	57,931
Electrical	11,383
Geologist	4,975
Geophysicist	146
Land Surveyor	3,871
Mechanical	15,491
TITLE ACTS	TOTAL ACTIVE LICENSES
Agricultural	88
Chemical	1,790
Control Systems	671
Corrosion	80
Fire Protection	1,107
Industrial	199
Manufacturing	113
Metallurgical	197
Nuclear	156
Petroleum	262
Quality	111
Safety	115
Traffic	1,518
TITLE AUTHORITIES	TOTAL ACTIVE LICENSES
Engineering Geologist	1,298
Geotechnical	1,310
Hydrogeologist	847
Structural	4,489
CERTIFICATES	TOTAL ACTIVE LICENSES
Engineer-in-Training	80,136
Geologist-in-Training	1,134
Land Surveyor-in-Training	3,819

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California Licensees by State

We display the total number of California licensees on a national map. This data shows the number of out-of-state residents (by address of record) with California licenses as of June 30, 2025. This data includes all license types and certificates. In addition, there are 1,552 licenses issued in international and U.S. territories.



Years of Service Among Active Licensees

YEARS OF SERVICE THROUGH JUNE 30, 2025							
	0—10	11—20	21—30	31—40	41—50	51—60	61+
ENGINEERS	27,640	24,273	21,308	15,857	8,091	1,621	181
LAND SURVEYORS	889	1,014	826	784	382	56	1
GEOLOGISTS AND GEOPHYSICISTS	1,165	1,393	1,537	853	144	76	0

Enforcement Actions

Citations Issued: July–September 2025

Citations are issued to licensed engineers, land surveyors, geologists, and geophysicists when the severity of a violation may not warrant suspension or revocation of the licensee’s right to practice. Citations are also issued as an alternative to criminal prosecutions that the Board may use to enforce the laws prohibiting the unlicensed practice of engineering, land surveying, geology, and geophysics, or other activities for which a license is required. You may look up the Code Sections violated and read the laws and regulations on the Board’s website at www.bpelsg.ca.gov/laws/index.shtml.

When a fine is levied with a citation, payment of the fine does not constitute admission of any violations charged but represents a satisfactory resolution of the matter pursuant to Business and Professions Code Section 125.9(d).

All final citations are matters of public record. For a copy of the final citation order or if you have any questions, you may contact the Board’s Enforcement Unit at BPELSG.Enforcement.Information@dca.ca.gov or (916) 999-3593. Please include the name of the cited person and the citation number in your request.

Cited Person	Citation No.	Violation Code Sections	Date Final	Fine Amount	Status of Fine
ARSALAN, RAD	20114	6787(a)(g);8792(a)(i)	6/23/2025	\$5,000	
AGUIRRE, WILLIAM	20218	8792(a)	8/18/2025	\$4,000	
ALAYWAN, ZIAD	20106	6787(a)(g);6738(h)	8/27/2025	\$2,500	PAID
ALLAN, COLLINS	20234	6749(a)(4)(5)	8/22/2025	\$500	
AYALA, MELQUIADES	20288	6735.4(a);6787(a)(g)	9/29/2025	\$1,500	
CIREMELE, CHRIS	20287	8759(a)(3)(4)(5)	9/26/2025	\$2,500	PAID
DAINS, ROBERT	20240	8764(a)(1);8780(b)(2)	8/21/2025	\$1,000	PAID
EDSON, DAVID	20228	8759(a);8771(a);8761(d); 8772;8762©;8780(b)(2)	8/21/2025	\$1,500	PAID
FEARN, AUSTIN	20253	8792(a)	9/26/2025	\$2,500	
GOLD, JEREMY	20078	6787(h);6775©(f)	7/3/2025	\$1,000	PAID
GOLD, JEREMY	20079	6787(h);6775(f)	7/3/2025	\$1,500	PAID
HERRERA, RIVAS JULIO	20272	6787(a)(d);8792(a)	7/14/2025	\$6,000	
HERRERA, RIVAS JULIO	20273	6787(a)(d);8792(a)	7/14/2025	\$3,000	
HOSSEIN, THULFIQAR	20245	8792(a)	9/26/2025	\$0	N/A
HOSSEIN, THULFIQAR	20246	8792(a)	9/26/2025	\$0	N/A
HSHING-LUNG, LIN	20219	8759(a)(3)(4)(5);8773.2(b); 8780(h);BR464(d)	8/18/2025	\$1,500	PAID
JEANE, MICHAEL	20266	8792(a)	7/7/2025	\$2,000	PAID
LUU, GENE	20269	6738(a)(3)	7/11/2025	\$1,500	
LUU, GENE	20270	6775.2	7/11/2025	\$2,000	
MAXWELL, JOHN KEITH	20292	8792(a)(e)(j)	9/29/2025	\$15,000	
MILANO, GARY	20283	6787(a)	8/25/2025	\$1,000	
MOUSAVI, MIR	20248	6787(a)(g)	9/26/2025	\$5,000	
MOUSAVI, MIR	20249	6787(a)(g)	9/26/2025	\$5,000	

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Cited Person	Citation No.	Violation Code Sections	Date Final	Fine Amount	Status of Fine
OLSON, BRIAN	20264	6775.2	7/7/2025	\$500	
OLSON, BRIAN	20265	6775.2	7/7/2025	\$500	
PINA, PAUL	20279	6735(a);6749(a);8792(a)	8/22/2025	\$2,500	PAID
QUIGLEY, BRENNNA	20159	7872(a)(g)	7/28/2025	\$0	N/A
RAYGOSA-LIMON, EFRAIN	20168	8792(a)	8/18/2025	\$1,000	PAID
SELLONA, NELSON	20278	6775.2	7/17/2025	\$750	
SPARKS, KEDRICK	20271	6787(d)(i)	7/11/2025	\$1,500	PAID
TURNER, ANDREW	20227	8762(b)(4)8780(b)(2)	8/22/2025	\$1,000	
VIVES, CARLA	20195	8792(a)(i)	8/21/2025	\$2,500	
WHATLEY, WAYNE	20290	8761(b);8762(b)(2)(4)(5);8780(b)	9/29/2025	\$1,500	

Formal Administrative Disciplinary Decisions: July–September 2025

A formal disciplinary decision is considered formal administrative disciplinary action against a licensee. It results from the Board’s adoption of a proposed decision prepared by an administrative law judge following a hearing, a stipulated settlement agreement, or a default decision following a full investigation and the filing of an accusation. An accusation is a formal legal document that notifies a licensee of the Board’s charges and allegations of violations against the licensee and requests that a disciplinary order be issued. The licensee is entitled to contest the charges at a formal hearing before an administrative law judge or to agree to a stipulated settlement. A final disciplinary decision contains findings and determinations or statements of advisements, waivers, culpability, and a disciplinary order. If there are findings of violations, the order may include revocation or suspension of the license, a stayed revocation or suspension of the license with a probationary period and terms and conditions of probation, or a public reproof. In the alternative, the decision may find that no violations or violations of a *de minimus* nature occurred and order the dismissal of the accusation. All final disciplinary decisions are matters of public record. For a copy of the final decision or if you have any questions, you may contact the Board’s Enforcement Unit at BPESLG.Enforcement.Information@dca.ca.gov or (916) 999-3593. Please include the name of the respondent and the case number in your request.

Respondent	Case Number	Effective Date	Disciplinary Order
HORN, JODY	1297-A	7/2/25	Revocation, Stayed; Probation
ROMERO, JOSE	1319-A	8/27/25	Revocation, Stayed; Probation

OUTREACH KEY

AEG Association of Environmental and Engineering Geologists
ASCE American Society of Civil Engineers
CEAC County Engineers Association of California
CLSA California Land Surveyors Association
LADWP Los Angeles Dept. of Water & Power
NSPE National Society of Professional Engineers
SWE Society of Women Engineers
YMF Young Members Forum

QUARTERLY OUTREACH REPORT JULY, AUGUST, AND SEPTEMBER 2025

All events were in person, unless noted "virtual."

JULY

July 8—Sacramento CLSA Land Survey Review—virtual. D. Sweeney, PLS

July 8—CA Energy Commission presentation "PE and PG Licensing Information." R. Moore, PLS

July 11—NSPE-CA Annual Meeting: "PE Licensure." R. Moore, PLS

July 16—Kimley-Horn Consultants: "NCEES Exams and Requirements for PE and PLS Licenses" presentation. N. King, PE, & D. Sweeney, PLS

July 17—LADWP-SWE "PE Licensure Info Webinar"—virtual. N. King, PE

AUGUST

August 12—South Coast Geological Society, Fountain Valley—Orange County Water District's Groundwater Replenishment System offices. J. Goodwin, PG, CEG

August 13—AEG, Inland Empire Chapter, Murrieta, CA "Understanding Geology and Geophysics Licensure Requirements in California." J. Goodwin, PG, CE

August 19—Irvine Young Professionals Group: "PE Licensure Process Webinar"—virtual. N. King, PE

August 27—ASCE YMF SF: "PE Info Session." N. King, PE

August 21—CEAC Survey Policy Committee Meeting. D. Sweeney, PLS

SEPTEMBER

September 18—Cal Poly Pomona Geomatics Conference. D. Sweeney, PLS

In Memoriam

In celebration of their lives and contributions, the Board would like to recognize professionals licensed as engineers, land surveyors, or geologists who recently passed away.

This list may not include all those who have recently passed away, as we rely on information from the public, other licensees, and family members. Please contact the Board regarding individuals who have recently passed.

1ST QUARTER JULY–SEPTEMBER

Name	License Number	Years of Service
Engineers		
Carey Glenn Barnecut	C 28446	48
Walter Franklin Butcher Jr.	C 18681	56
Norman Richard Buus	C 32865	44
Thomas Marriott Dodington	E 10943	43
James Reginald Lewis	MF 832	48
Geologists		
N/A	N/A	N/A
Land Surveyors		
N/A	N/A	N/A
Multiple Licenses		
Jonathan David Rogers	C 62064	24
	GEO 4723	35
	EG 1472	35
	HG 387	29
Brian Laverne Ward	C 20469	54
	S 1849	52

Board Speakers Available

The Board continues its efforts to reach out to groups interested in any of the broad array of Board functions. As part of this outreach effort, we have speakers available to present at meetings and events.

Potential speakers include Executive Officer Ric Moore, PLS; Assistant Executive Officer Tiffany Criswell; Senior Engineering Registrar Natalie King, PE; Senior Land Surveyor Registrar Dallas Sweeney, PLS; and Senior Geologist Registrar Josh Goodwin, PG, CEG.

Our Enforcement, Licensing, Examination, and Outreach units all have speakers authorized to represent the Board. To request a speaker, we will need the following information: size of group, location, time, length and type of presentation, and proposed subject matter. Appropriate advance notice is always appreciated. Current and former Board members may also appear on the Board's behalf, depending on availability.

For more information, contact Board outreach coordinator Brooke Phayer at Brooke.Phayer@dca.ca.gov.

Contact Us

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LICENSURE OR CERTIFICATION QUALIFICATIONS AND APPLICATIONS (ALL TYPES)	(916) 999-3635
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LICENSE RENEWAL	Vicki Kereszt	(916) 999-3612
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OUTREACH	Brooke Phayer	brooke.phayer@dca.ca.gov
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SENIOR REGISTRARS (FOR PROFESSIONAL LICENSES)

Engineers (Civil, Structural, Traffic, and Geotechnical)	Natalie King, PE	(916) 999-3637
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Engineers (Other Than Civil, Structural, Traffic, and Geotechnical)	VACANT	
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Geologists and Geophysicists	Josh Goodwin, PG, CEG	(916) 999-3638
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Land Surveyors	Dallas Sweeney, PLS	(916) 999-3639
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Remaining Board Holiday Dates (Board Office Closed)

December 25, Thursday—Christmas



Continuous Testing Exams:

CA Civil: Seismic Principles Exam and Engineering Surveying Exam; NCEES Civil, Chemical, Electrical, Mechanical, PS

WINTER 2025

BOARD FOR PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS, LAND SURVEYORS, AND GEOLOGISTS



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Social Media: Board Facebook, X, and LinkedIn Pages

The Board is asking for your help in getting the word out regarding its Facebook, X, and LinkedIn pages. The Board is posting information of interest to postsecondary institutions and students on a regular basis. This information includes regulatory changes, updates to our website, interesting articles, useful resources, and a host of other Board-related data.

For those institutions that communicate with students through email or some other means, we invite you to share this information with them. The Board will use these social media outlets as an ongoing way to reach our stakeholders. Thank you for your assistance in spreading the word.

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