

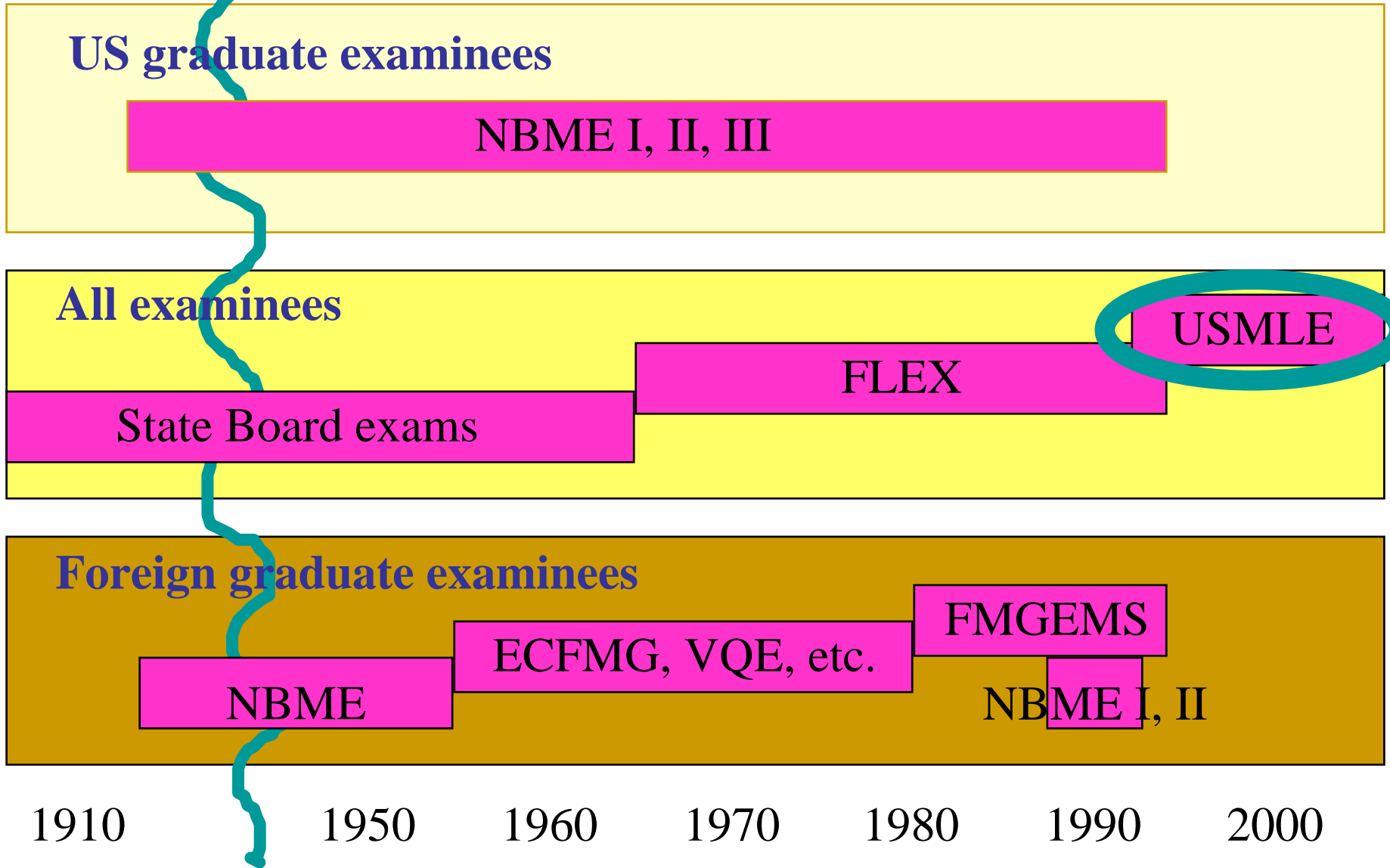
USMLE Report

IMG Section

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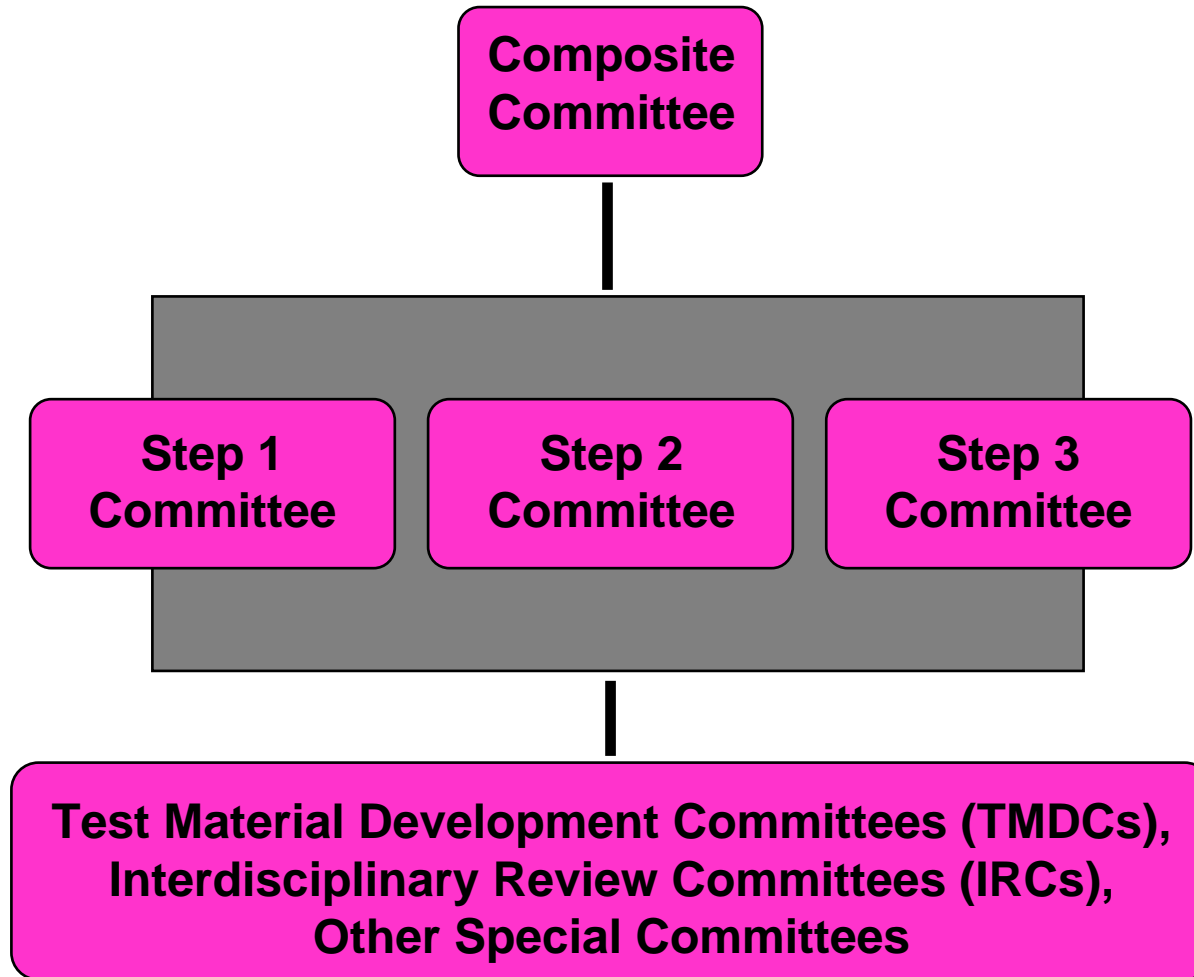
History of US Licensing Exams



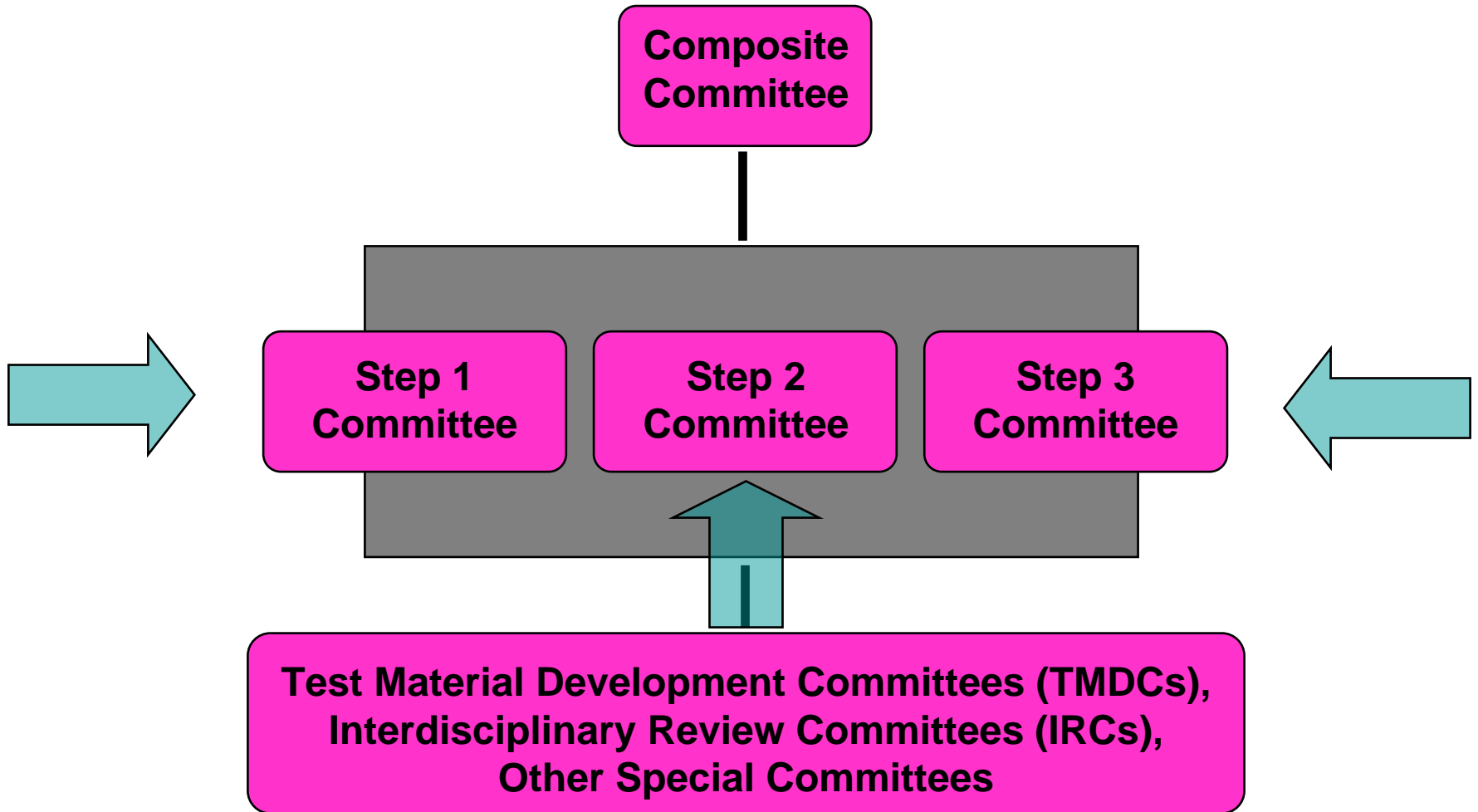
USMLE Overview

- Step 1: 1 day long MCQ examination that measures basic science knowledge
- Step 2
 - Clinical Knowledge: 1 day long MCQ exam that measures knowledge of clinical medicine
 - Clinical Skills: 1 day long SP based test of basic information gathering and communication skills
- Step 3: 2-day long MCQ and simulation based test of ability to apply knowledge in clinical practice

USMLE Organization



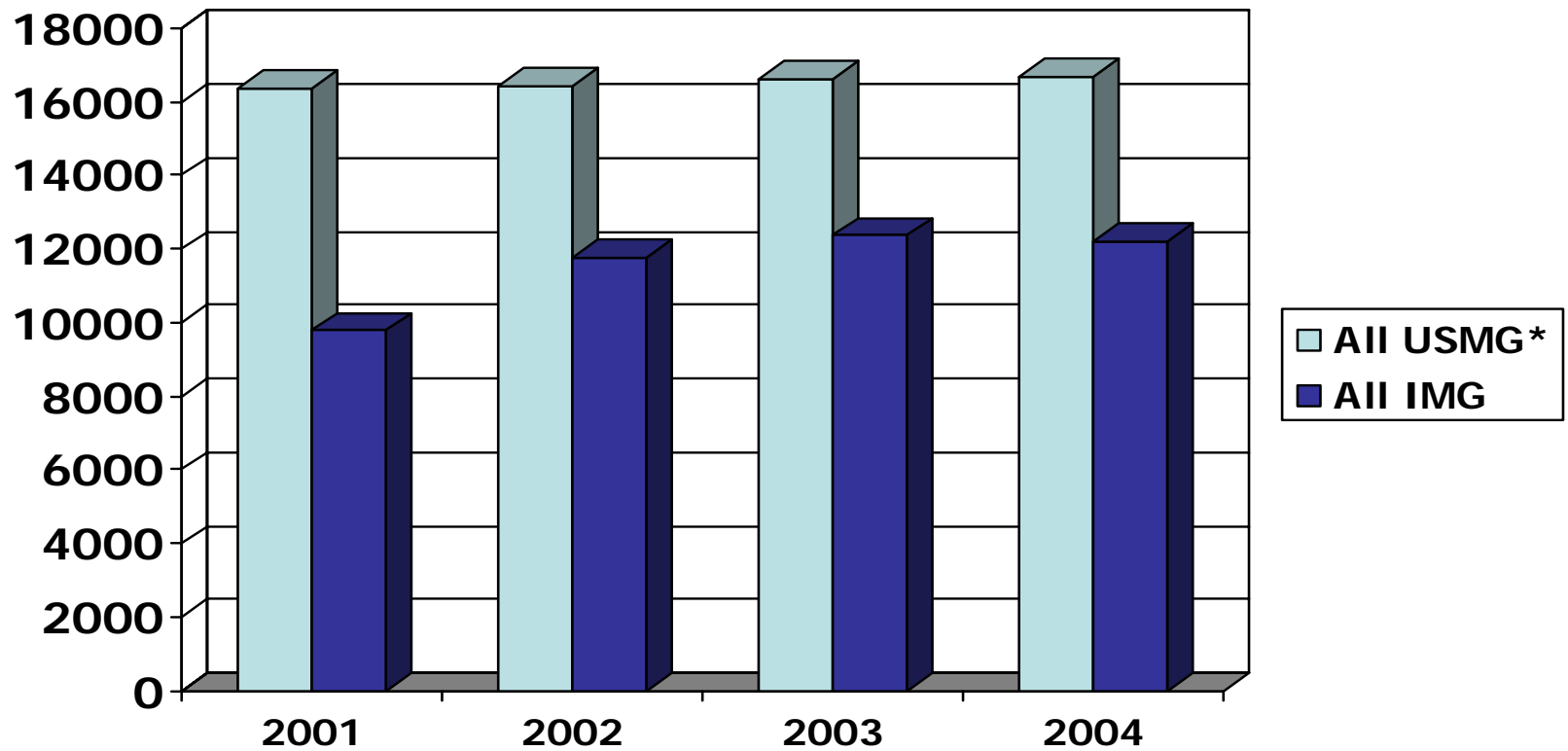
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Standard Setting

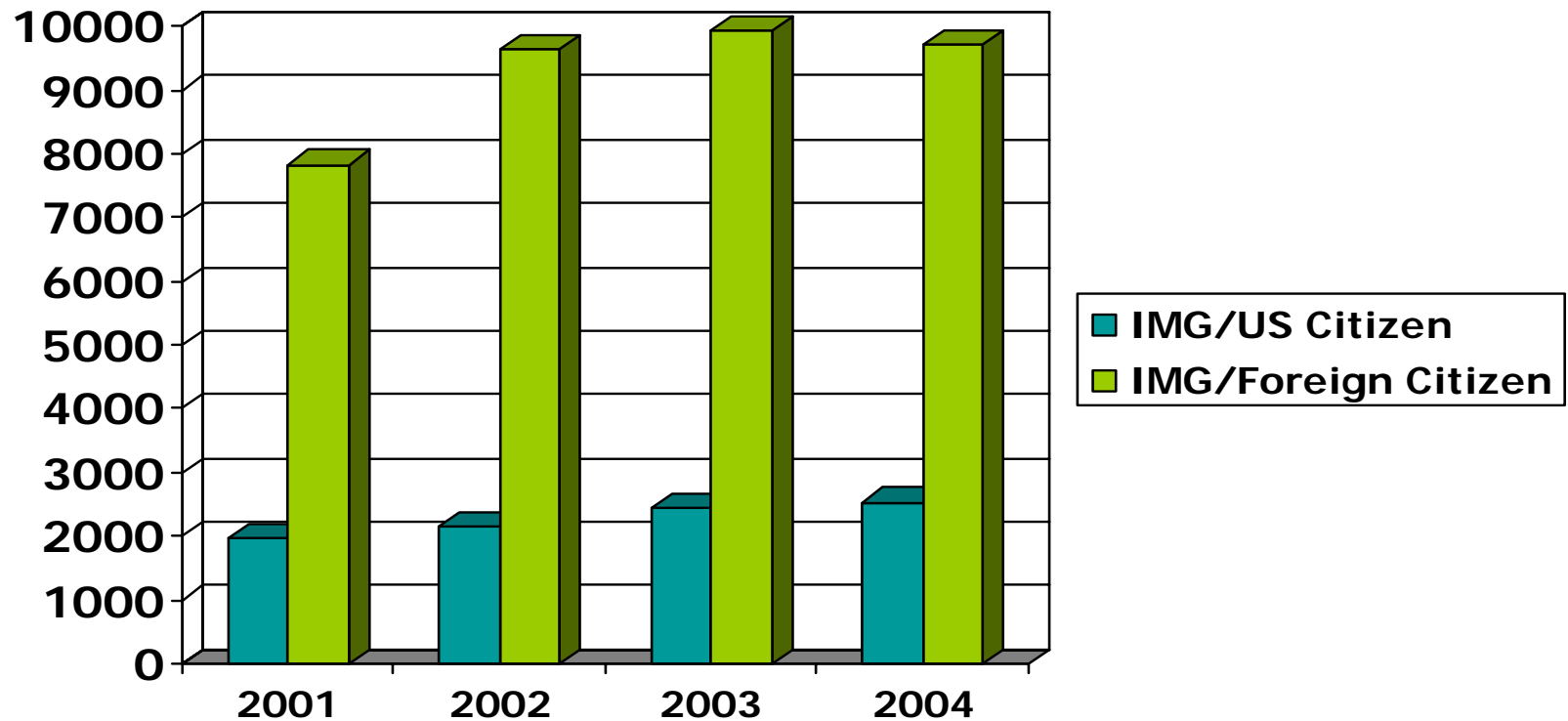
- Decisions made by the responsible Step Committee
- Based upon data from a number of sources including:
 - Content review exercises involving groups of physician experts
 - Survey of state boards, deans, faculty, students,.....
- Standards are “revisited” every three years

Step 1 - First Taker Counts 2001-2004



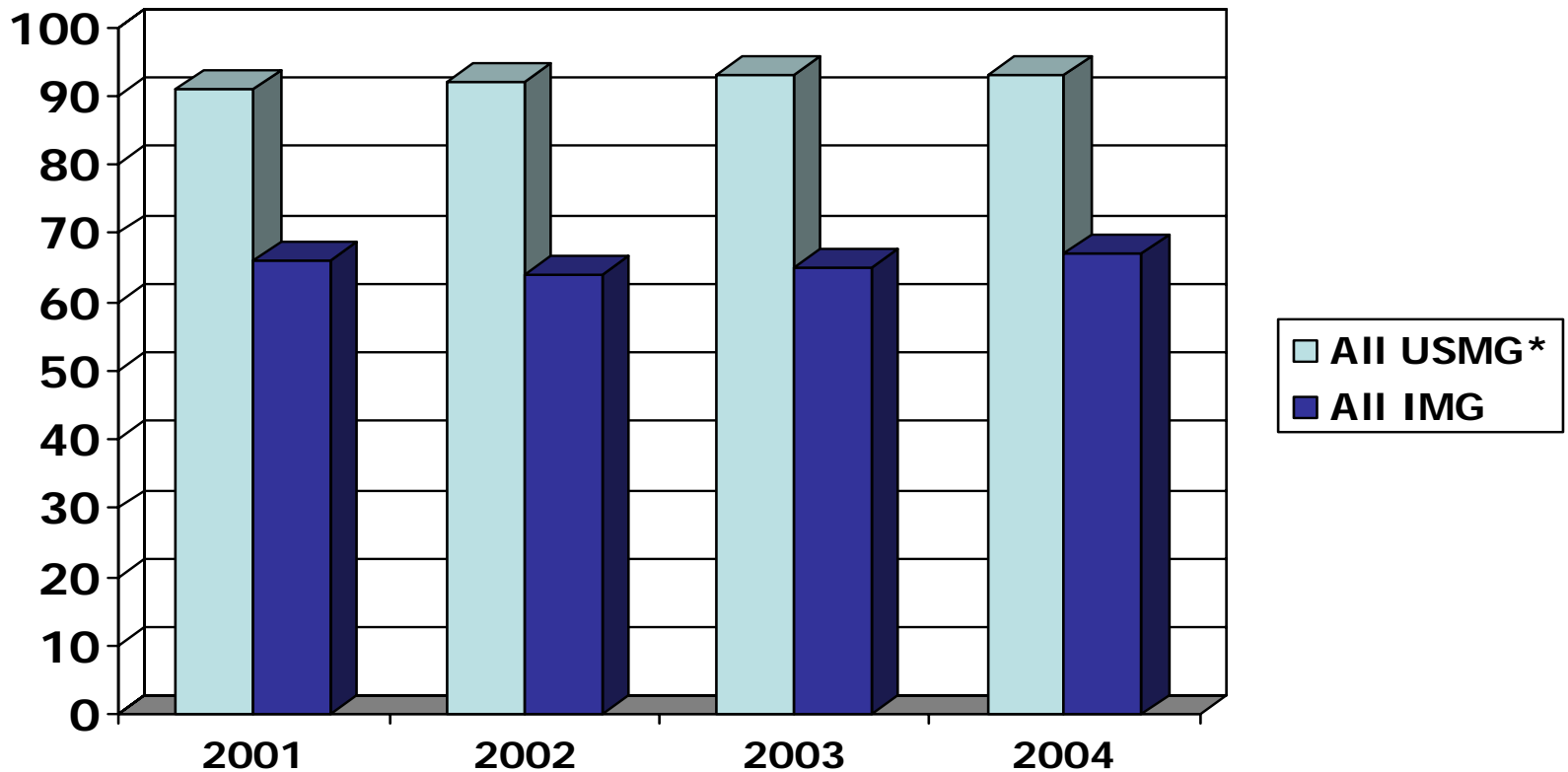
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Step 1 – US Citizen/Foreign Citizen 2001-2004



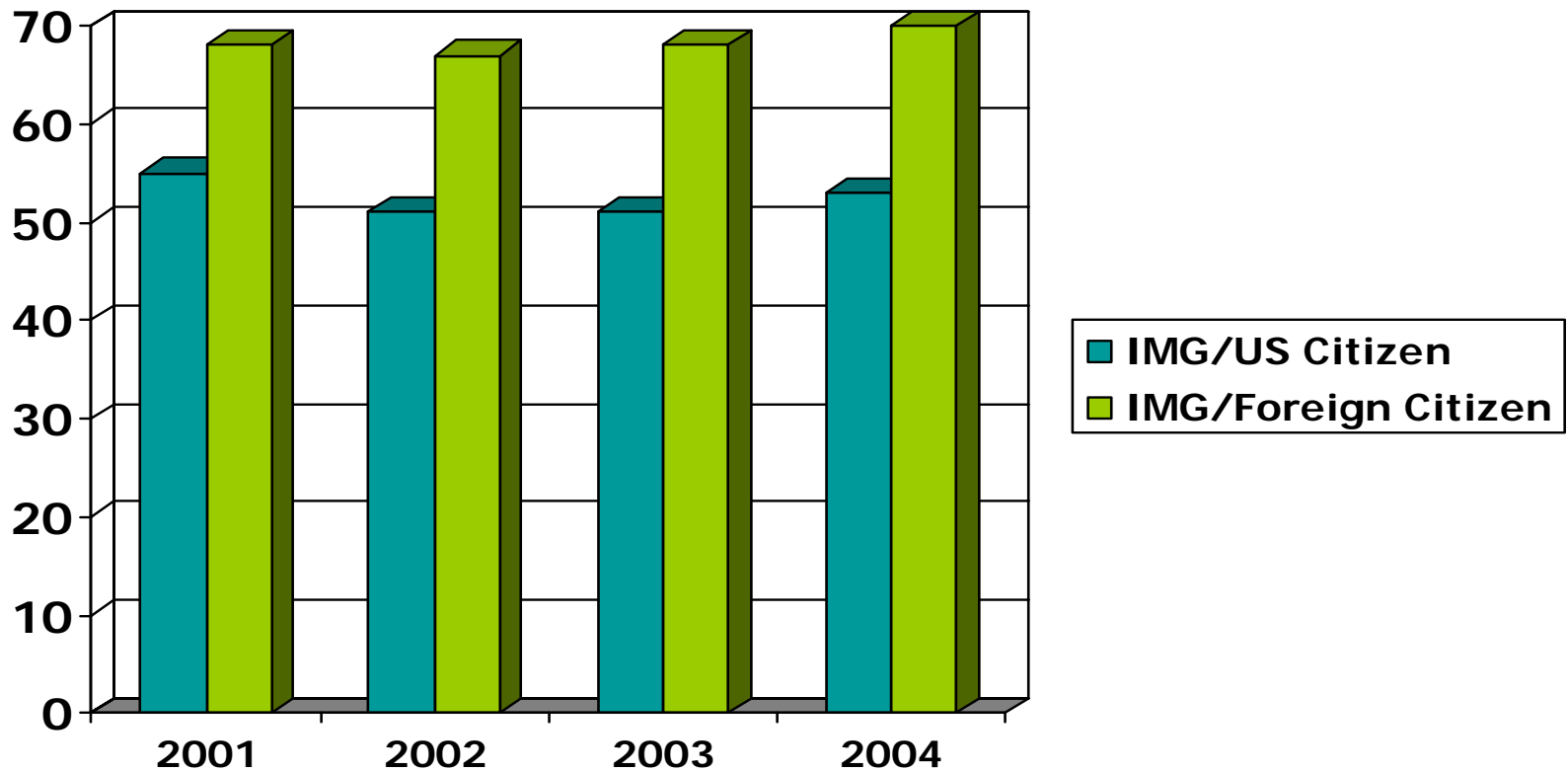
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Step 1 – Pass Rates 2001-2004



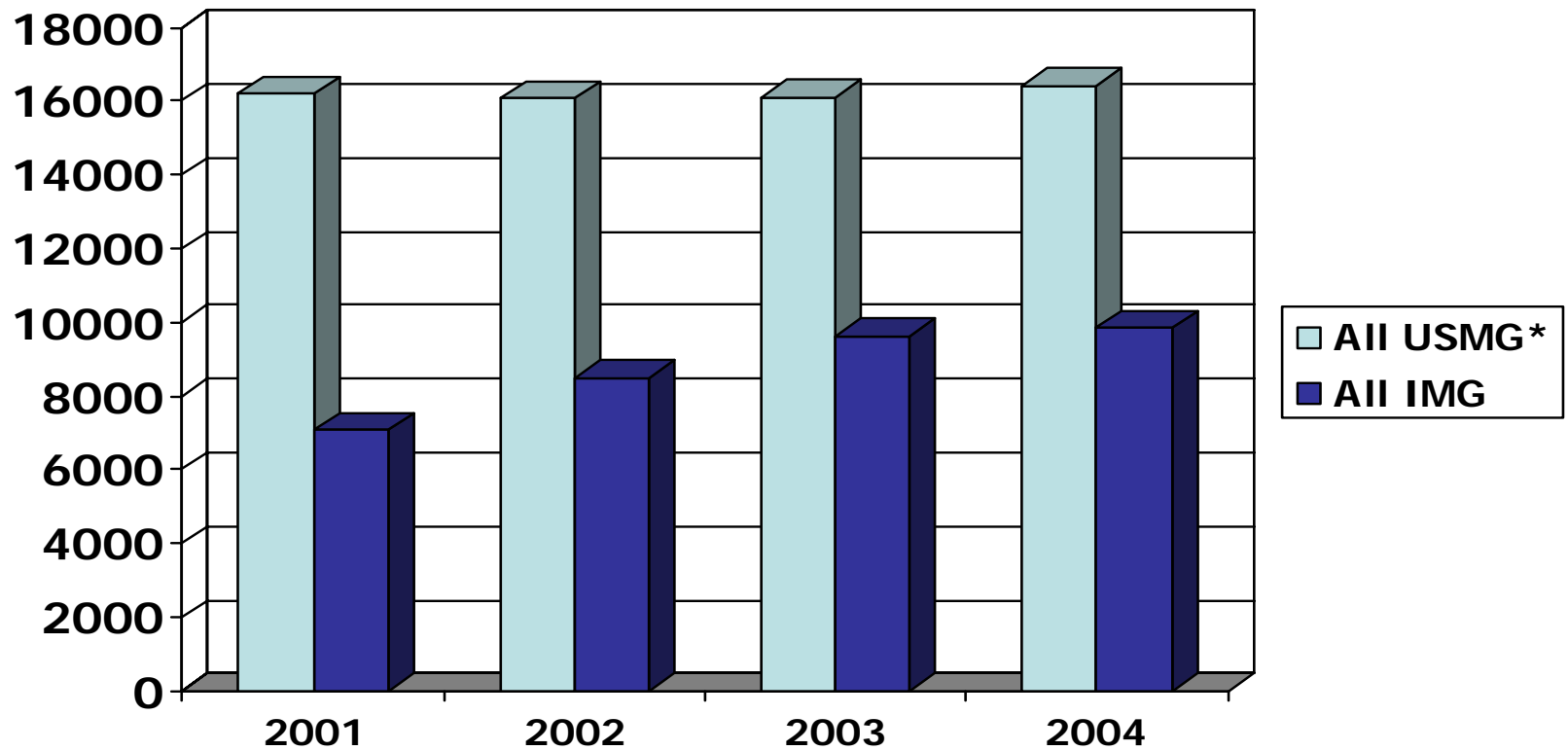
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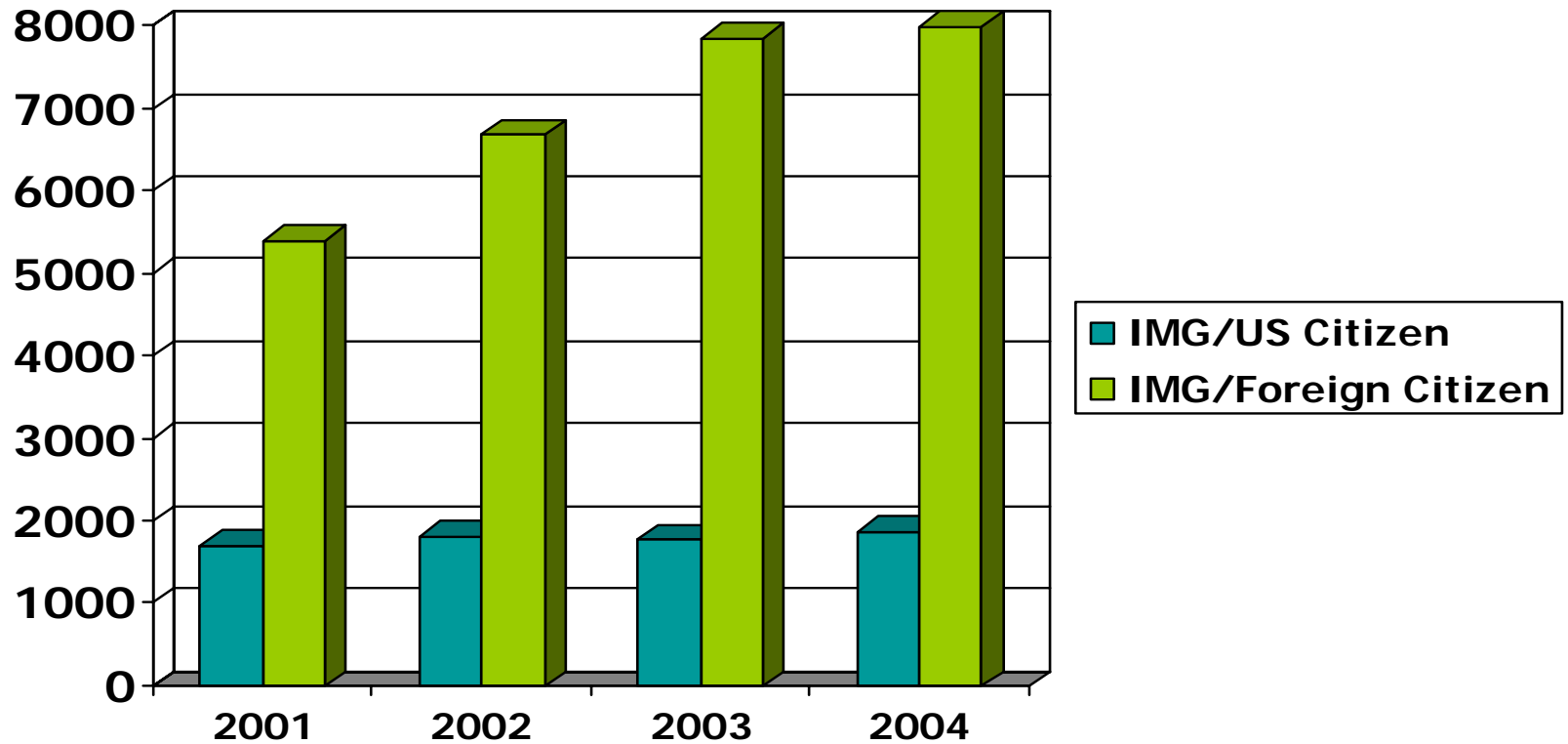
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Step 2 CK - First Taker Counts 2001-2004



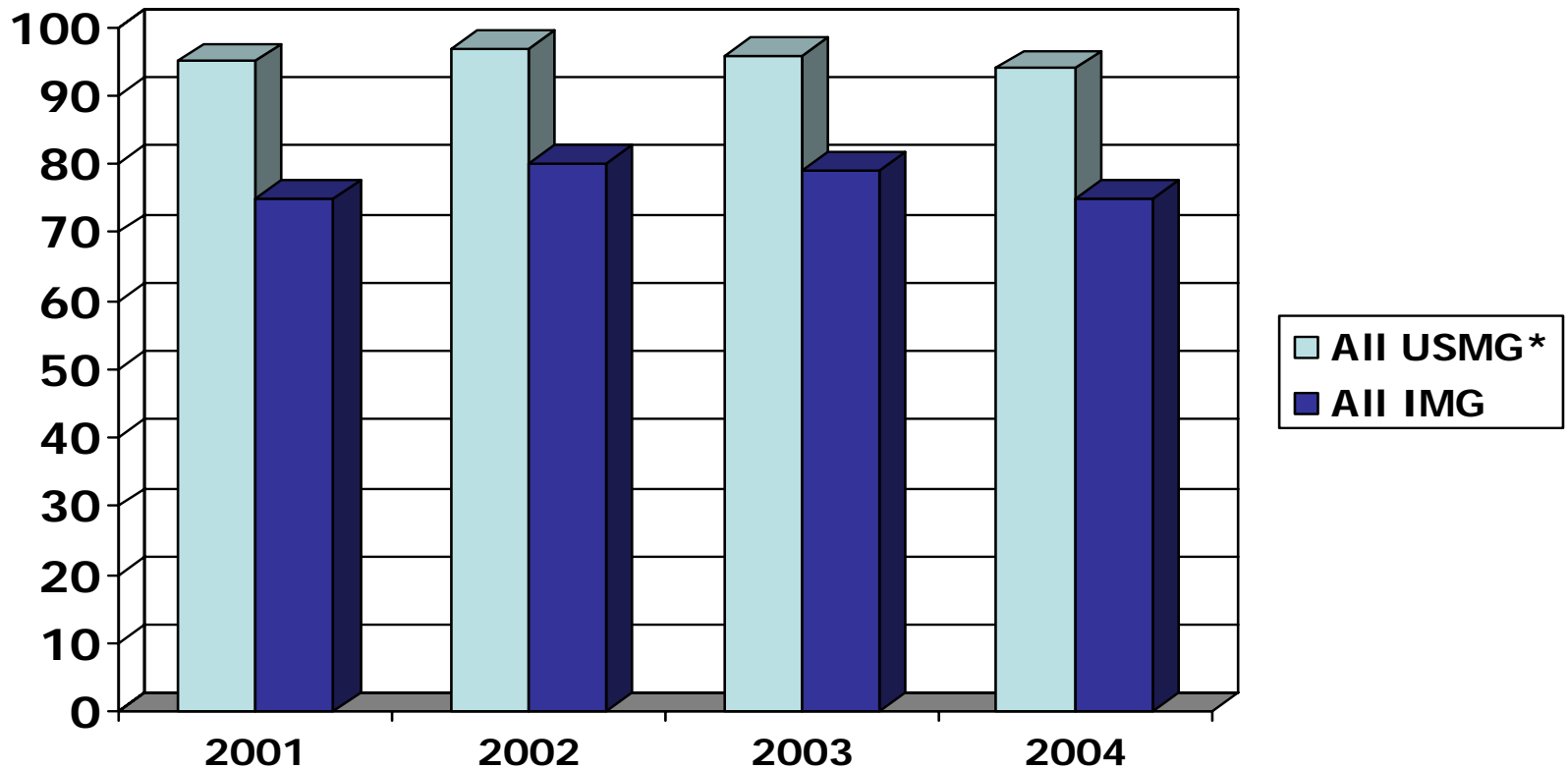
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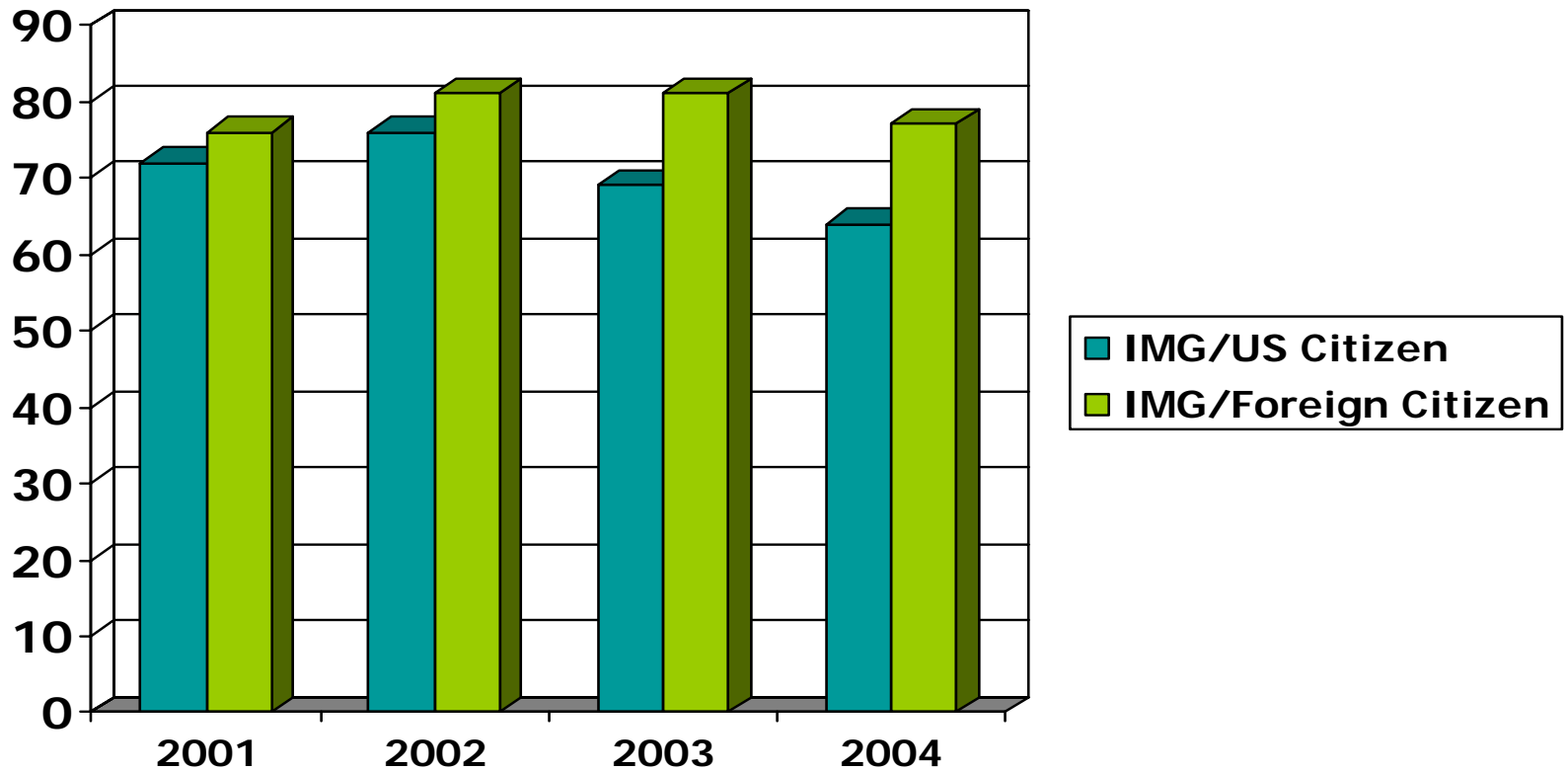
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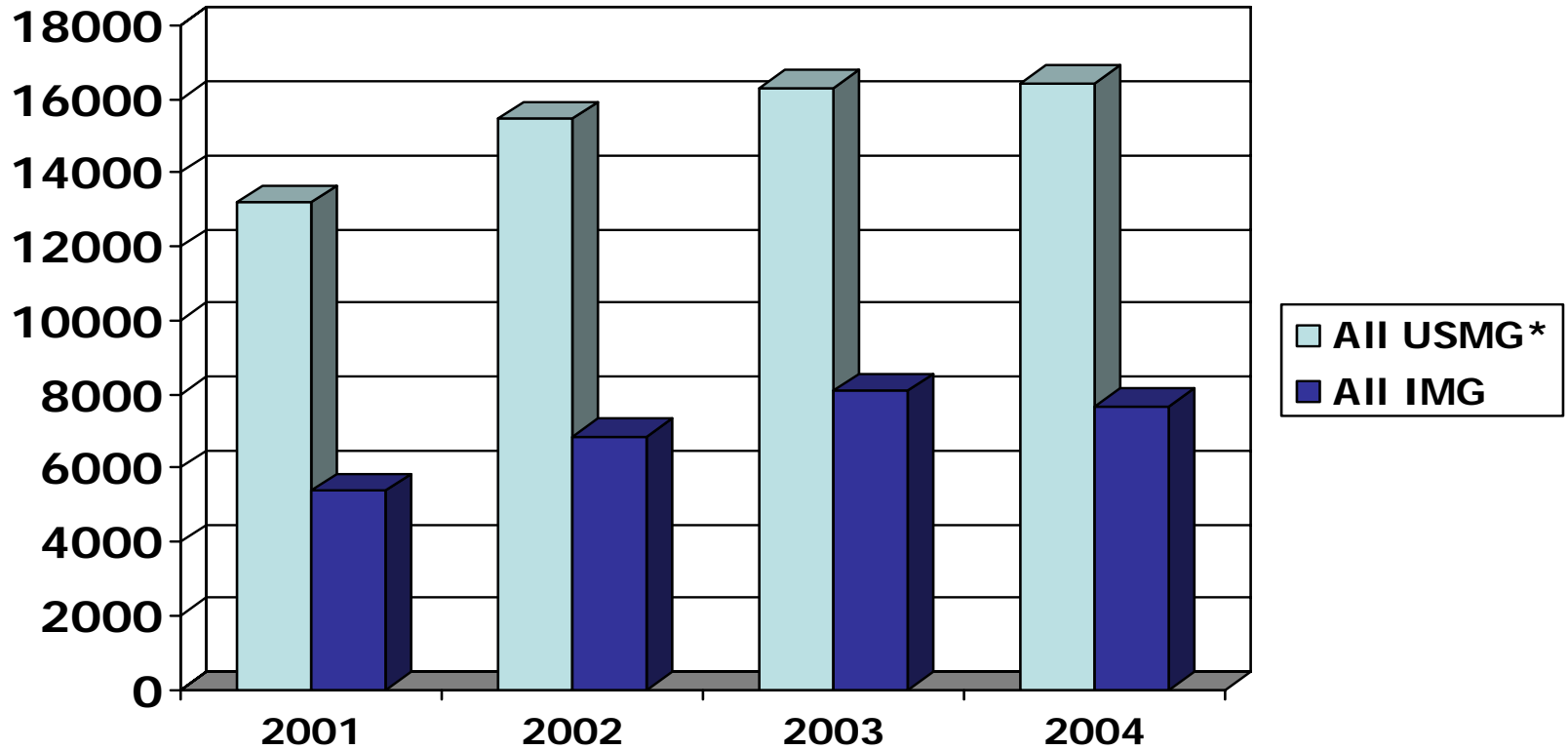
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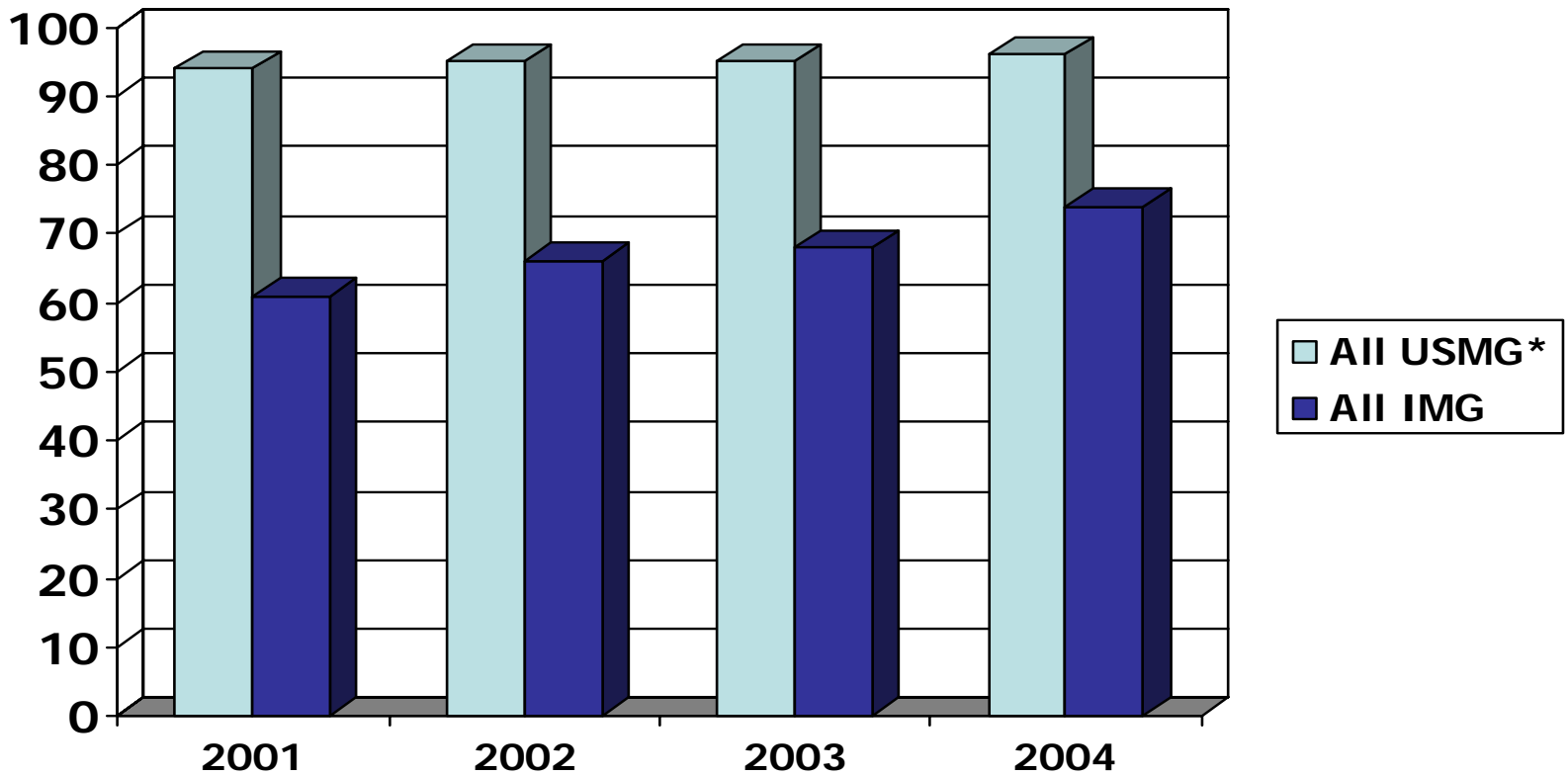
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Step 3 - First Taker Counts 2001-2004



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Step 3 – Pass Rates 2001-2004



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USMLE Step 2 CS

- Added to Step 2 in June, 2004
- Replaces ECFMG CSA
- Certifies that candidates have the necessary information gathering and communication skills to enter post graduate training

*Step 2 CS is a pass/fail measure
of the minimum information
gathering and communication
skills necessary to enter
supervised post-graduate training*

Step 2 CS Structure

- 12 patient encounters
 - 15 min. for encounter ;10 min. for patient note
- Each encounter:
 - Elicit pertinent history, perform appropriate physical examination, communicate effectively
 - Document:
 - Findings from the history and physical
 - Diagnostic impression / Further work-up

Step 2 CS Design

- Integrated Clinical Encounter
 - History and Physical
 - Post encounter Note
- Communication and Interpersonal Skills
- Spoken English Proficiency

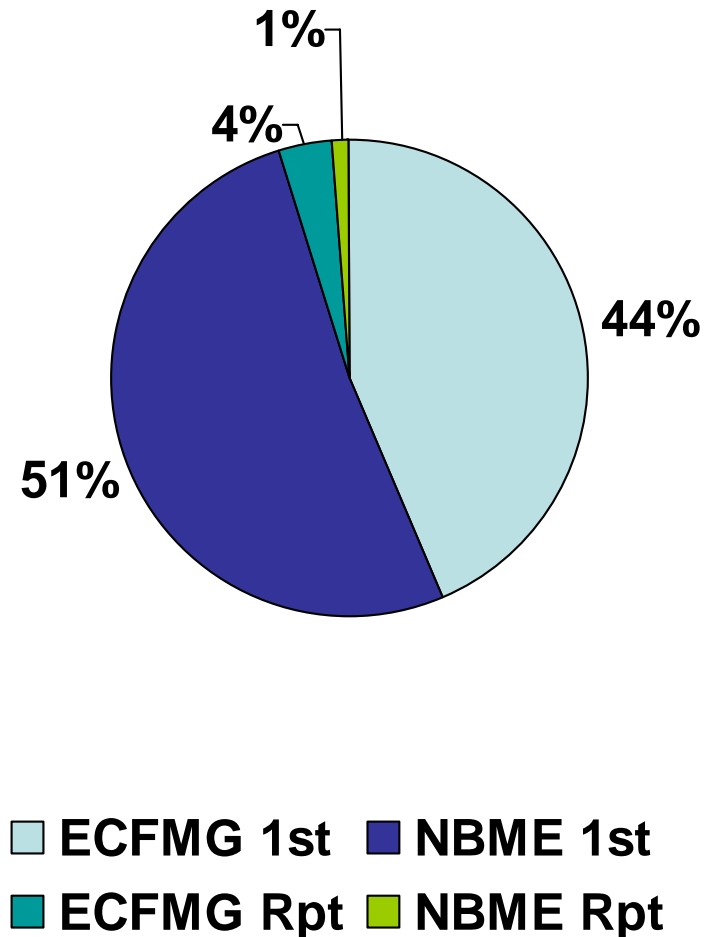
Must pass all 3 components to pass exam

Step 2 CS: Scoring

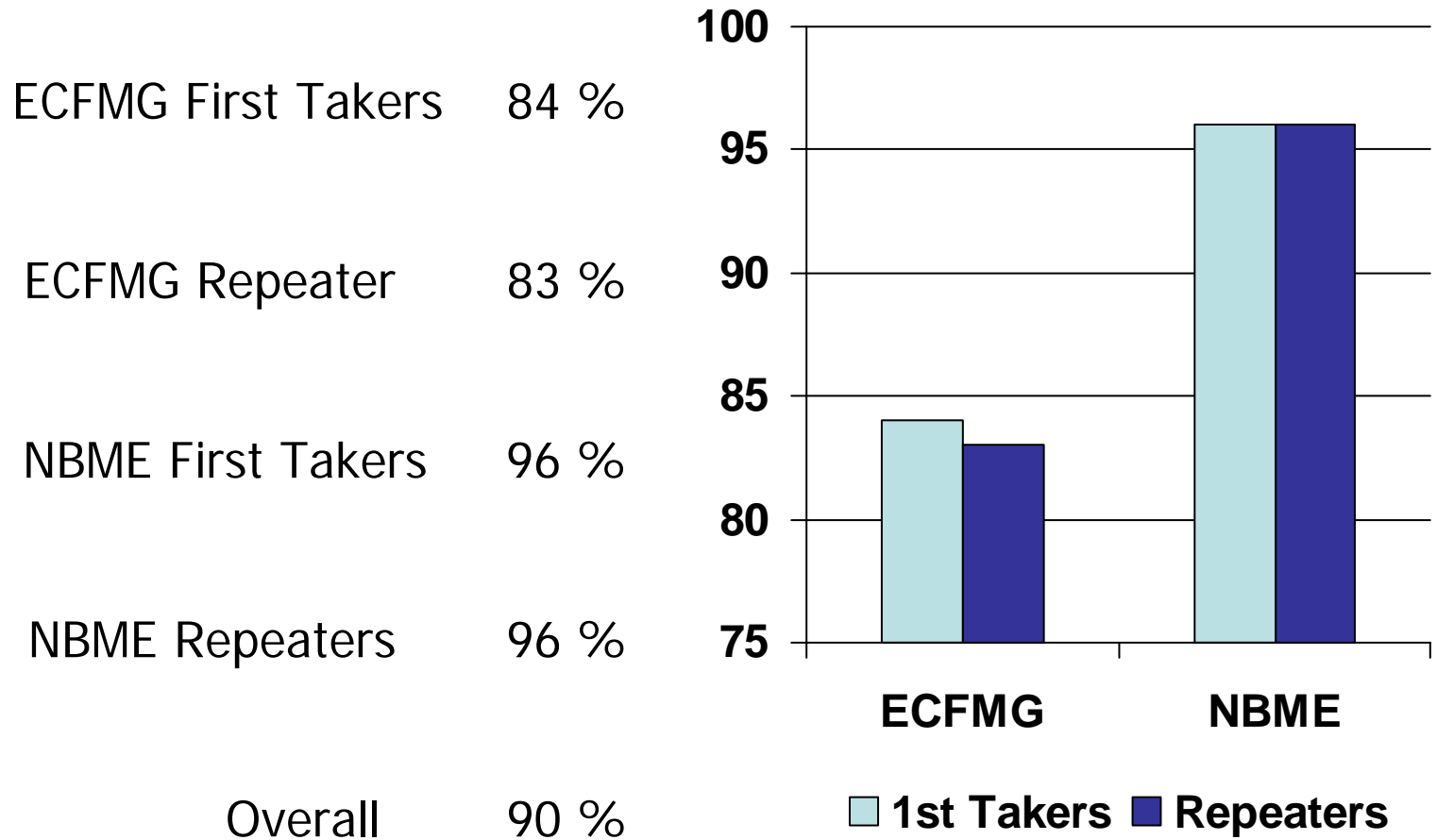
In distinction to other components of USMLE, reporting is Pass or Fail only

Scores reported through September 20

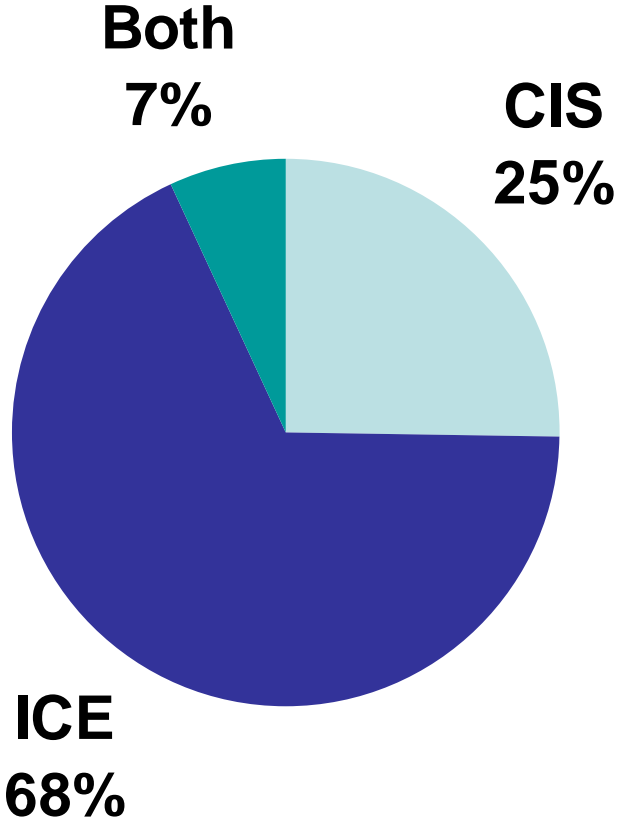
- N= 32689
- NBME
 - 16921 1st takers
 - 338 repeaters
- ECFMG
 - 14243 1st takers
 - 1187 repeaters



Overall Pass Rates



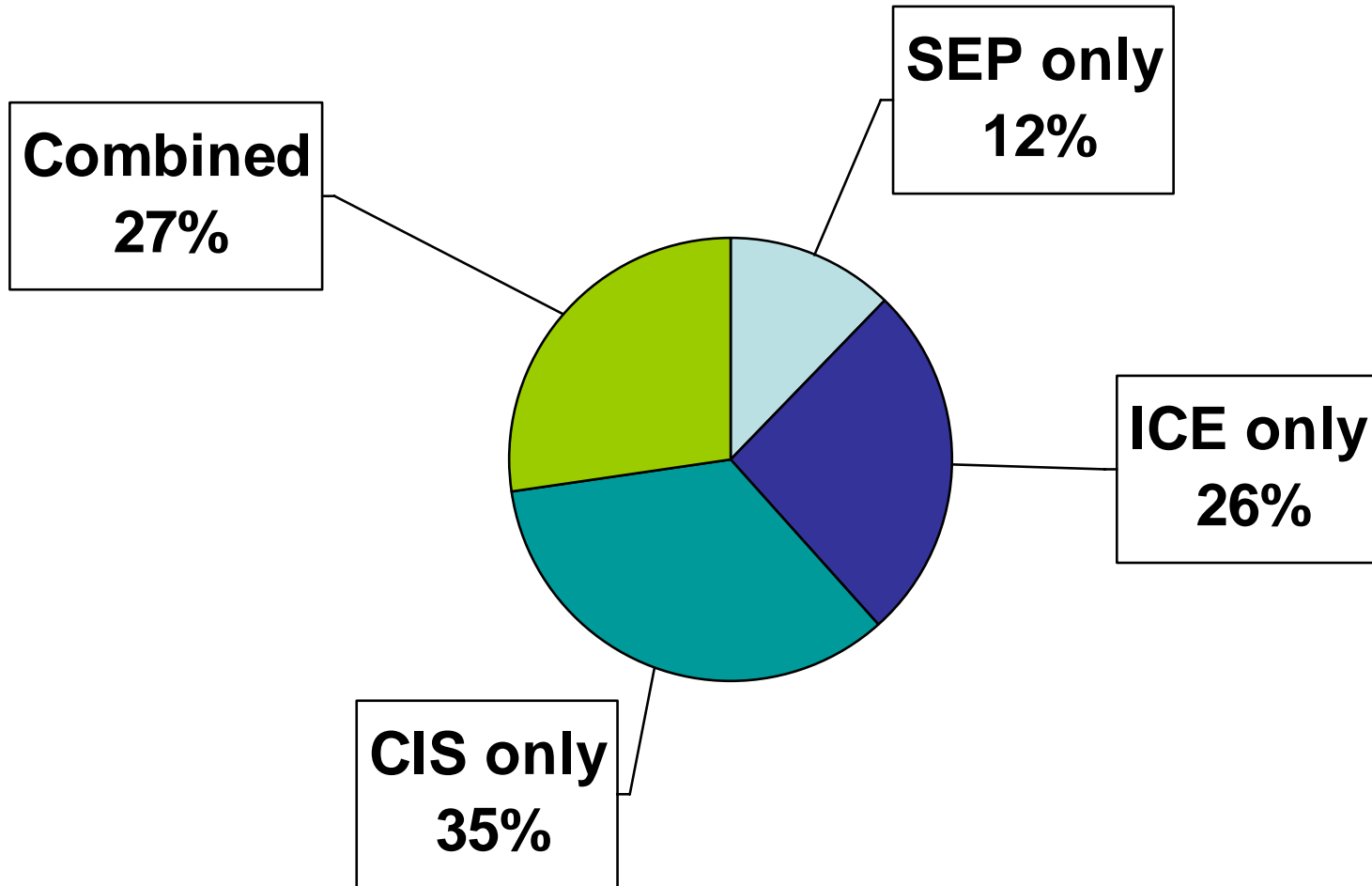
Failures by Component: LCME



ECFMG Failure Patterns

| | | | |
|----------------------|------------|-----------|------------|
| SEP only | 290 | 2% | 12% |
| ICE only | 602 | 4% | 26% |
| CIS only | 795 | 6% | 34% |
| SEP and ICE | 34 | 0% | |
| ICE and CIS | 379 | 3% | 16% |
| SEP and CIS | 155 | 1% | 7% |
| SEP, CIS, ICE | 91 | 1% | 4% |

Failures by Component: ECMFG



Only 4% of International
Graduates fail the Spoken
English Proficiency component of
the exam

