

# ASPPB Disciplinary Data System: Historical Discipline Report

*Reported Disciplinary Actions for Psychologists: 1974 – 2024*

Total Number of Reported Actions in the ASPPB Disciplinary Data System: **7,454**

## Disciplinary Actions Taken Per Year (Past 5 Years)

Type of Sanction	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020
<b>Total Reported Actions</b>	123	115	163	107	154
<b>Revocations</b>	4	18	23	9	14
<b>Suspensions</b>	9	16	19	11	18
<b>Probations</b>	13	8	16	23	42
<b>Reprimands</b>	26	8	10	28	36

Note: Each disciplinary action could contain multiple sanctions including other sanctions not listed such as supervision, mandatory continuing education, etc. Therefore, the total number of sanctions reported above does not equal the total number of disciplinary actions reported.

## Top 10 Reasons for Disciplinary Action

*Historical Information: Data Compiled from All DDS Entries*

Reason for Disciplinary Action	Number Disciplined
<i>Unprofessional Conduct</i>	1151
<i>Sexual Misconduct</i>	1046
<i>Negligence</i>	841
<i>Non-Sexual Dual Relationship</i>	717
<i>Conviction of Crime</i>	606
<i>Failure to Maintain Adequate or Accurate Records</i>	492
<i>Failure to Comply with Continuing Education or Competency Requirements</i>	445
<i>Incompetence</i>	400
<i>Improper or Inadequate Supervision or Delegation</i>	324
<i>Violation of Federal or State Statutes, Regulations or Rules</i>	337
<i>Other (the combined total of the 76 remaining reasons)</i>	5409

Note: Based on the 7,454 total reports of disciplinary action submitted to the ASPPB Disciplinary Data System. Each action could contain multiple reasons for discipline such that the total number of reasons reported far exceeds the total number of actions.

### Top 10 Disciplinary Reasons by Year

Reason for Disciplinary Action	Number Disciplined
<b>2024</b>	
Failure to Comply with Continuing Education or Competency Requirements	13
Negligence	11
Unprofessional Conduct	11
Failure to Maintain Adequate or Accurate Records	7
All Disciplinary Reasons are Alleged in that the Psychologist did not Admit nor Deny Charges in the Agreement/Order/Settlement	7
Substandard Testing/Assessment Procedures	5
Sexual Misconduct	5
Non-Sexual Dual Relationship or Boundary Violation	5
Conduct Evidencing Moral Unfitness	5
Conviction of Crime	5
Reason for Disciplinary Action	Number Disciplined
<b>2023</b>	
Non-Sexual Dual Relationship or Boundary Violation	16
Negligence	14
Unprofessional Conduct	12
Unable to Practice Safely by Reason of Alcohol or Other Substance Abuse	9
Conflict of Interest	8
Sexual Misconduct	7
Practicing without a License	7
Failure to Maintain Adequate or Accurate Records	7
Violation of Failure to Comply with Licensing Board Order	7
Incompetence	6
Reason for Disciplinary Action	Number Disciplined
<b>2022</b>	
Negligence	24
Non-Sexual Dual Relationship or Boundary Violation	17
Violation of Federal or State Statutes, Regulations or Rules	17
Unprofessional Conduct	16
Conviction of Crime	13
Failure to Maintain Adequate or Accurate Records	12
Breach of Confidentiality	11
Failure to Comply with Continuing Education or Competency Requirements	10
Substandard Testing/Assessment Procedures	9
Fraud, Deceit or Material Omission in Obtaining License or Renewal	8
Reason for Disciplinary Action	Number Disciplined

2021	
Unprofessional Conduct	39
Negligence	32
Violation of Federal or State Statutes, Regulations or Rules	22
Non-Sexual Dual Relationship or Boundary Violation	16
Sexual Misconduct	13
Conflict of Interest	12
Incompetence	9
Failure to Maintain Adequate or Accurate Records	9
All Disciplinary Reasons are Alleged in that the Psychologist did not Admit nor Deny Charges in the Agreement/Order/Settlement	9
Breach of Confidentiality	9
Reason for Disciplinary Action	Number Disciplined
2020	
Negligence	27
Unprofessional Conduct	23
Violation of Federal or State Statutes, Regulations or Rules	20
Failure to Maintain Adequate or Accurate Records	14
Conviction of Crime	13
Failure to Comply with Continuing Education or Competency Requirements	12
Sexual Misconduct	11
Allowing or Aiding Unlicensed Practice	9
Non-Sexual Dual Relationship or Boundary Violation	9
Incompetence	8
Reason for Disciplinary Action	Number Disciplined
2019	
Unprofessional Conduct	30
Negligence	24
Violation of Federal or State Statutes, Regulations or Rules	22
Conviction of Crime	18
Practicing without a License	18
Incompetence	12
Unable to Practice Safely by Reason of Alcohol or Other Substance Abuse	11
Licensure Revocation, Suspension, or Other Disciplinary Action Taken by Federal, State, or Local Licensing Authority	11
Failure to Maintain Adequate or Accurate Records	10
Sexual Misconduct	9

Reason for Disciplinary Action	Number Disciplined
<b>2018</b>	
Unprofessional Conduct	28
Negligence	21
Violation of Federal or State Statutes, Regulations or Rules	18
Sexual Misconduct	18
Incompetence	13
Conviction of Crime	13
Violation of or Failure to Comply with Licensing Board Order	13
Non-Sexual Dual Relationship	11
Substandard Testing/Assessment Procedures	10
Fraud, Deceit, or Material Omission in Obtaining License or Renewal	9