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A multi-crossing is a crossing with n strands of the knot passing straight through it, a classical crossing corresponding to $n = 2$. Every knot has a projection with all n -crossings, so the n -crossing number $c_n(K)$ is well-defined. We determine $c_n(K)$ for many low-crossing knots. We also obtain lower bounds on $c_n(K)$ in terms of the span of the bracket polynomial, generalizing previous results for $n = 2, 3$ and 4 . We show $c_n(K)$ is not additive under composition for all $n \geq 4$, and we obtain further results for both the übercrossing number and petal number of knots, which correspond to when there is only a single multi-crossing in the projection. (Received August 14, 2013)