

Regional Profile

Canada

After a challenging year in 2022, the absolute total number of applications to GME programs in Canada increased by 16 percent (Figure 47). International applications increased by 18 percent, and the total number of domestic applications also increased by eight percent.

Compared to the steep decline in the number of Canadian GME programs reporting application growth in 2022, more programs in 2023 reported program growth. However, more than half (56 percent) of Canadian programs still faced application declines.

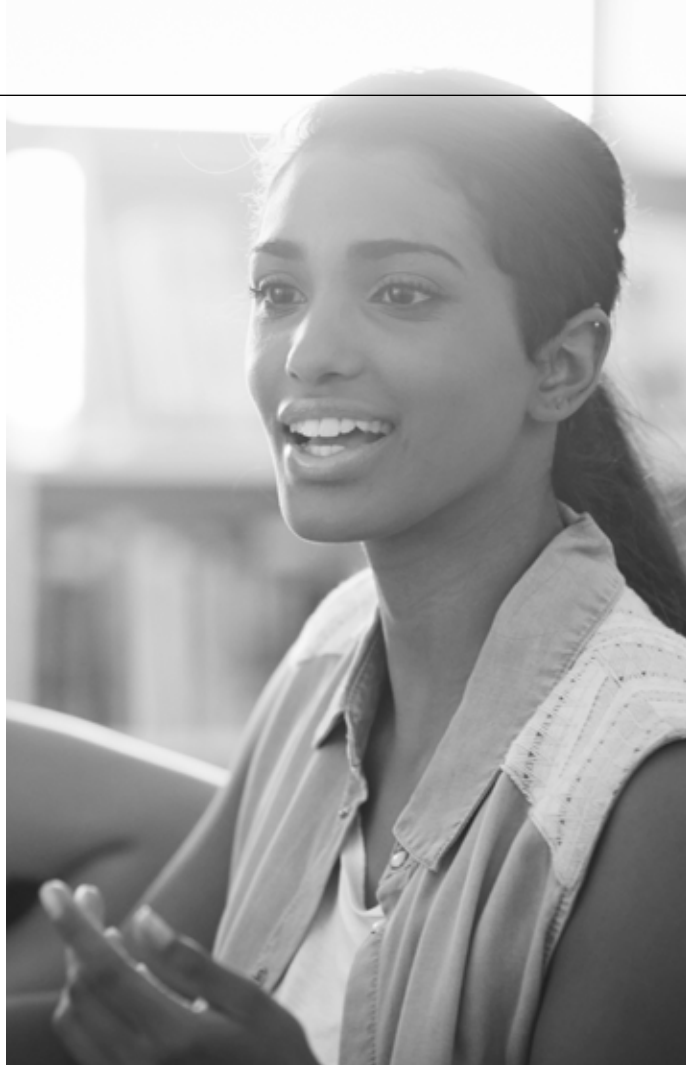
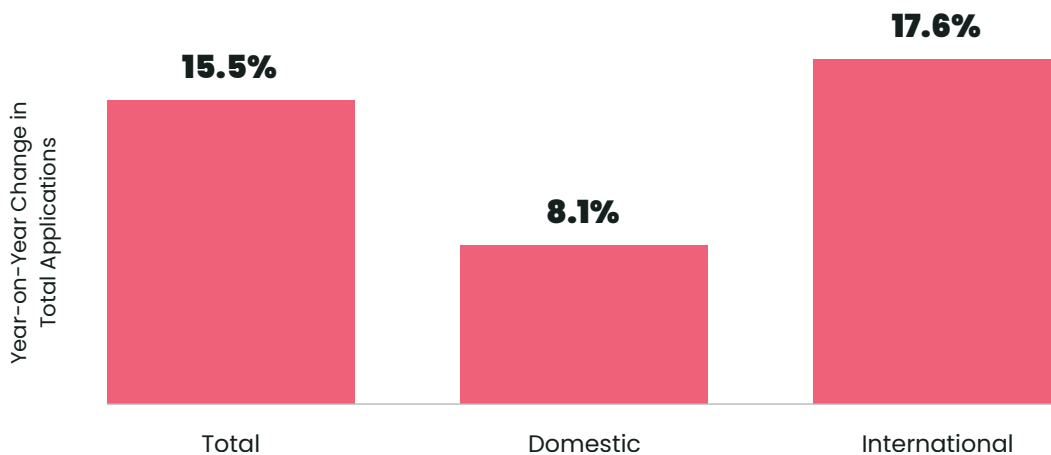


Figure 1: The absolute total number of applications to GME programs in Canada increased by 16 percent.

International applications grew more than domestic applications, though the total number of applications from both applicant types increased.

Trends in Absolute Total Number of Applications to Canadian Programs in 2023



Summary Statistics (n=39)

	2022	2023
Median Total Applicants	4.4	3.0
Mean Percentage Female Applicants	N/A	44%
Median Acceptance Rate	37%	54%
Median Enrollment Rate	64%	62%
Median Class Size	50	52

Relative Year-on-Year Change in Applications, 2023

Applicant category	Percentage of Programs		
	Growth	Stable	Decline
Total	38%	5%	56%
Domestic	41%	5%	54%
International	33%	13%	54%
Women	32%	8%	59%

Figure 2: Compared to last year, more GME programs in Canada are reporting growth in their applications.

The most dramatic leveling off of applications following the pandemic surge seen in other programs appears not to have hit Canadian programs until last year.

Relative Application Change to Canadian Programs: 2019–2023

