



## Current Volume Summary

### ABA Fall 2008 Applicant and Application Counts

The applicant and application information below is the 'preliminary final' data for the fall 2008 term. Therefore, this is the last time this report will be issued for the 2008 year. A report of the final count of applicants to the fall 2008 term will be produced sometime after the decision entry process is completed.

The following is a breakdown of ABA 2008 applicants and applications by region (based on ACES/ACES<sup>2</sup> data received through 08/08/08) and the percent change from last year:

Region	Applicants	Percent Change	Applications	Percent Change
Far West	10,658	+4.9%	79,849	+7.1%
Great Lakes	12,395	-2.9%	85,300	+4.3%
Midsouth	10,243	-0.6%	93,926	+1.4%
Midwest	2,987	-5.2%	15,066	-4.7%
Mountain West	4,249	-0.2%	17,508	+4.7%
New England	4,163	-4.2%	43,034	-0.8%
Northeast	13,776	-1.0%	93,428	+3.2%
Northwest	2,273	-5.4%	12,970	-2.3%
South Central	7,967	-1.0%	35,235	+1.6%
Southeast	11,502	+0.9%	53,127	+3.2%
Regional Total	80,213	-0.7%		
Other*	2,216	+9.1%		
Total	82,429	-0.4%	529,443	+2.8%

\*Other includes those applicants whose permanent residence is not available or is outside the U. S.

Currently there are 6 schools with an application volume increase of 40% or more, while 1 school shows a volume decrease of 30% or more. 106 schools show an increase in applications, while 83 show a decline and 6 show no change. A more detailed breakdown of school increases/decreases is shown below:

Increase of 100% or more:	1
Increase of 50% to 99%:	4
Increase of 40% to 49%:	1
Increase of 30% to 39%:	2
Increase of 20% to 29%:	10
Increase of 10% to 19%:	22
Increase of 1% to 9%:	66
No change:	6
Decrease of 1% to 9%:	62
Decrease of 10% to 19%:	17
Decrease of 20% to 29%:	3
Decrease of 30% to 39%:	1

The following is a breakdown of 2008 ABA law school applicants by ethnic groups:

American Indian/Alaskan Native:	719, down 1.9%
Asian/Pacific Islander:	7,145, up 2.8%
Black/Afro-American:	9,314, up 3.6%
Caucasian/White:	52,758, down 1.7%
Chicano/Mexican American:	1,213, up 7.2%
Hispanic/Latino:	4,813, up 3.5%
Puerto Rican:	1,550, down 1.1%
Other:	4,198, down 0.7%
Not Indicated:	719, down 14.1%

The following is a breakdown of 2008 ABA law school applicants by gender groups:

Female applicants:	40,486, down 0.2%
Male applicants:	41,687, down 0.8%
Not indicated:	256, up 18.0%

## Canadian Law School Fall 2008 Applicant and Application Counts

Applicants: 6,392, down 2.7%

Applications: 22,985, down 4.3%

The following is a breakdown of 2008 Canadian law school applicants by ethnic groups:

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Asian/Pacific Islander:	714, down 12.1%
Black/Afro-American:	205, up 1.5%
Canadian Aboriginal:	131, down 0.0%
Caucasian/White:	4,302, down 1.5%
Hispanic/Latino:	78, up 8.3%
Other:	841, down 4.5%
Not Indicated:	121, up 19.8%

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The following is a breakdown of 2008 Canadian law school applicants by gender groups:

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Female applicants:	3,412, down 3.6%
Male applicants:	2,941, down 2.3%
Not indicated:	39, up 116.7%

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You can find additional descriptive information regarding applicant and application volumes, including a definition of the regions used above, by referring to [Current Volume Description](#).