



## Current Volume Summary

### ABA Fall 2012 Applicant and Application Counts

The following is a breakdown of ABA 2012 applicants and applications by region (based on data received through 08/08/12) and the percent change from last year:

Region	Applicants	Pct Chg	Applications	Pct Chg
Far West	8,845	-13.2%	68,954	-11.5%
Great Lakes	8,990	-14.5%	72,555	-12.9%
Midsouth	8,271	-14.6%	86,590	-12.4%
Midwest	2,280	-18.3%	12,980	-12.6%
Mountain West	3,572	-11.6%	14,783	-9.4%
New England	3,167	-17.7%	36,998	-11.4%
Northeast	10,815	-14.9%	82,014	-15.4%
Northwest	1,849	-12.5%	10,897	-12.5%
South Central	7,014	-7.5%	32,538	-10.5%
Southeast	10,207	-8.5%	51,333	-11.0%
Regional Total	65,010	-12.9%		
Other*	2,947	-28.7%		
Total	67,957	-13.7%	469,642	-12.5%

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

Last year at this time, we had 100% of the preliminary final applicant count.

Currently there is one school with an application volume increase of 40% or more, while 9 schools show a volume decrease of 30% or more. 28 schools show an increase in applications, while 170 show a decline and 1 shows no change. A more detailed breakdown of school increases/decreases is shown below:

Increase of 100% or more:	1
Increase of 50% to 99%:	0
Increase of 40% to 49%:	0
Increase of 30% to 39%:	0
Increase of 20% to 29%:	1
Increase of 10% to 19%:	9
Increase of 1% to 9%:	17
No change:	1
Decrease of 1% to 9%:	44
Decrease of 10% to 19%:	79
Decrease of 20% to 29%:	38
Decrease of 30% or greater:	9

Applications to private institutions are down 12.2%, while applications to public law schools are down 12.9%.

The following is a breakdown of 2012 ABA applicants by racial/ethnic groups and the percent change from last year. The chart shows the maximum number of races/ethnicities selected by each applicant. For example, an applicant who selected Asian and Caucasian/White is counted twice, once as Asian and once as Caucasian/White.

Race/Ethnicity	Applicants	Percent Change
Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander Australian	11	57.1%
American Indian or Alaska Native	1,356	-3.9%
Asian	6,867	-11.4%
Black or African American	9,378	-7.0%
Canadian Aboriginal	41	17.1%
Caucasian/White	43,756	-6.5%
Hispanic/Latino	7,038	-3.9%
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	255	-11.1%
Puerto Rican	1,836	-9.2%
Not Indicated	2,109	-69.6%
Missing	138	-86.1%

The following is a breakdown of 2012 ABA law school applicants by gender groups:

Female applicants:	33,288, down 11.4%
Male applicants:	34,627, down 14.5%
Not indicated:	42, down 93.9%

The chart below shows the high LSAT score of 2012 ABA applicants with the percent change from last year:

Highest LSAT	Number of Applicants	Percent Change Year to Date
< 140	5,299	-0.9%
140–144	6,816	-1.9%
145–149	10,308	-10.1%
150–154	12,828	-16.8%
155–159	12,994	-12.1%
160–164	9,311	-16.9%
165–169	5,897	-17.1%
170–174	2,655	-19.0%
175–180	675	-11.2%

## Canadian Law School Fall 2012 Applicant and Application Counts

The following is a breakdown of Canadian law school 2012 applicants and applications by region (based on data received through 08/08/12) and the percent change from last year:

Region	Applicants	Percent Change	Applications	Percent Change
East Canada (NB, NL, NS, ON, PQ)	4,450	4.5%	19,283	-1.9%
West Canada (AB, BC, MB, NU, NT, SK, YT)	2,857	0.2%	9,533	4.7%
Other*	494	-27.8%		
<b>Total</b>	<b>7,801</b>	<b>0.1%</b>	<b>28,816</b>	<b>0.1%</b>

\*Other includes those applicants whose permanent residence is not available or is outside Canada.

Last year at this time, we had 100% of the preliminary final Canadian applicant count.

The following is a breakdown of 2012 Canadian law school applicants by racial/ethnic groups and the percent change from last year. The chart shows the maximum number of races/ethnicities selected by each applicant. For example, an applicant who selected Asian and Caucasian/White is counted twice, once as Asian and once as Caucasian/White.

Race/Ethnicity	Applicants	Percent Change
Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander Australian	0	N/A
American Indian or Alaska Native	9	-10.0%
Asian	1,643	10.0%
Black or African American	314	4.0%
Canadian Aboriginal	195	0.0%
Caucasian/White	5,213	15.0%
Hispanic/Latino	149	17.3%
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	11	22.2%
Puerto Rican	2	100.0%
Not Indicated	505	-60.8%
Missing	45	-57.1%

The following is a breakdown of 2012 Canadian applicants by gender groups:

Female applicants:	4,045, down 0.7%
Male applicants:	3,732, up 1.0%
Not indicated:	24, down 4%

The chart below shows the high LSAT score of 2012 Canadian applicants with the percent change from last year:

Highest LSAT	Number of Applicants	Percent Change Year-to-Date
< 140	332	0.0%
140–144	506	7.2%
145–149	815	-0.1%
150–154	1,374	3.9%
155–159	1,875	-0.7%
160–164	1,593	-3.9%
165–169	719	-4.1%
170–174	197	-13.2%
175–180	45	66.7%

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](#).