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## Examinee Information Report

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## Introduction

The reports published by the Optometry Admission Test (OAT) Program are intended to provide communities of interest with validity information on the OAT, as well as information on test administration and examinee demographic trends. Communities of interest include educators, practitioners, state and federal agencies, and many others.

The *OAT Examinee General Information Report* provides general demographic information on individuals who attempted the OAT from 2021 through 2025. Trend tables on the following pages provide information about examinees over this five-year period. With the exception of the rows labeled “Non-Respondents,” the percentage presented in each cell reflects that associated with respondents only (i.e., the percentage of individuals who provided the response indicated, out of the total number of individuals who responded to the question). For rows labeled “Non-Respondents,” the percentage in each cell reflects the percentage of non-respondents relative to the total number of examinees who completed the OAT. Optometry schools may find this information useful as they review their admission procedures. For more detailed information regarding OAT performance, please refer to the *Optometry Admission Test User Guide*.

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## Part One

### Demographic Information

Table 1  
Examinees by Gender  
As Percentage of Total Respondents  
2021-2025

	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Female	72.5%	72.3%	74.1%	73.4%	75.2%
Male	27.5%	27.7%	25.9%	26.6%	24.8%
Respondents	2,837	2,792	2,867	3,078	3,237
Total	2,862	2,819	2,890	3,095	3,247
Non-Respondents	0.9%	1.0%	0.8%	0.5%	0.3%

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Figure 1  
Examinees by Gender  
As Percentage of Respondents  
2021-2025

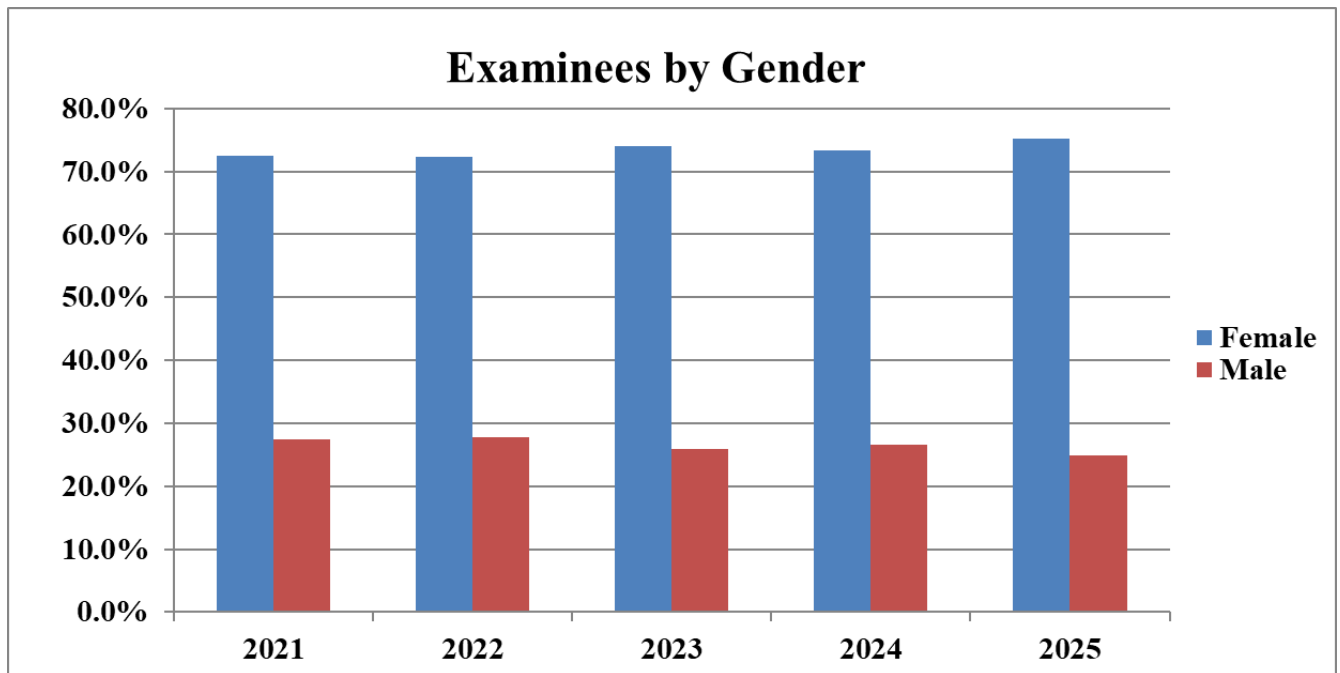


Table 2  
Examinees by Hispanic Origin

	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
No	88.0%	87.6%	86.6%	86.4%	87.4%
Yes	12.0%	12.4%	13.4%	13.6%	12.6%
Respondents	2,817	2,769	2,790	3,006	3,095
Total	2,862	2,819	2,890	3,095	3,247
Non-Respondents	1.6%	1.8%	3.5%	2.9%	4.7%

Table 3  
Examinees by Ethnic Identification  
As Percentage of Total Respondents  
2021-2025

	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
American Indian or Alaskan Native	1.0%	1.1%	1.3%	0.8%	0.6%
Asian	35.8%	36.2%	33.6%	35.3%	37.3%
Black or African American	5.9%	5.0%	4.7%	5.6%	6.3%
Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander	0.3%	0.4%	0.3%	0.2%	0.3%
White	55.1%	55.6%	57.8%	54.8%	49.9%
Multi-Ethnic	1.9%	1.6%	2.2%	3.3%	5.7%
Respondents	2,741	2,698	2,768	2,676	2,437
Total	2,862	2,819	2,890	3,095	3,247
Non-Respondents	4.2%	4.3%	4.2%	13.5%	24.9%

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Figure 2  
Examinees by Ethnic Identification  
2021-2025

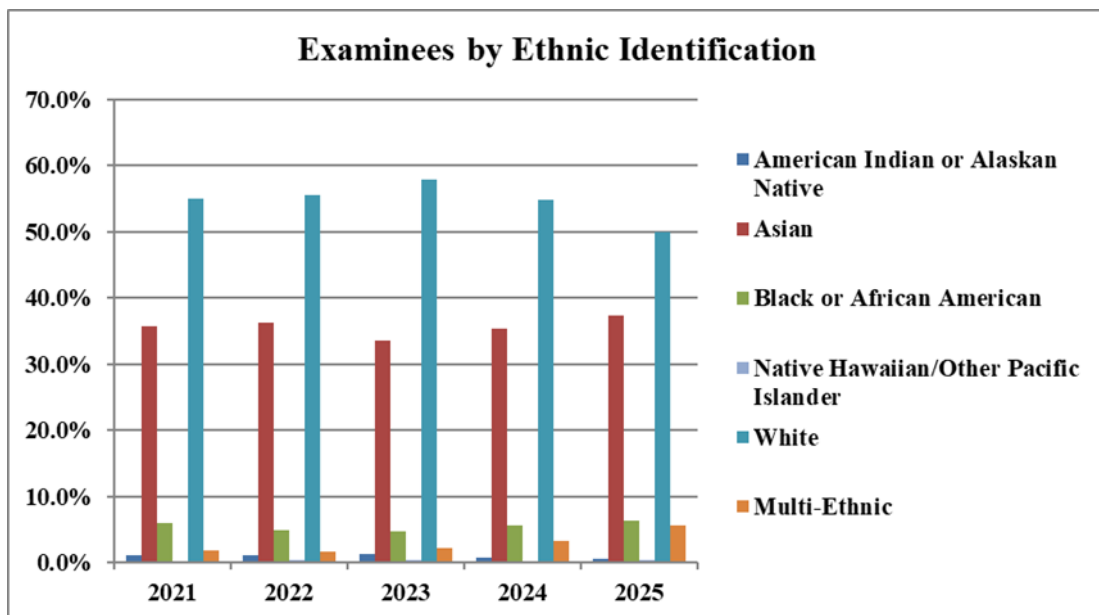


Table 4  
 Examinees by Ethnic Identification and Gender  
 As Percentage of Total Respondents  
 2025

	<b>American Indian or Alaskan Native</b>	<b>Asian</b>	<b>Black or African American</b>	<b>Native Hawaiian/ Other Pacific Islander</b>	<b>White</b>	<b>Multi-Ethnic</b>	<b>Ethnicity Not Provided</b>	<b>Total</b>
Female	73.3%	77.3%	79.1%	57.1%	71.4%	68.8%	78.9%	2,433
Male	26.7%	22.7%	20.9%	42.9%	28.6%	31.2%	21.1%	804
Respondents	15	905	153	7	1,213	138	806	3,237
Total*	15	908	154	7	1,215	138	810	3,247
Non-Respondents	0.0%	0.3%	0.6%	0.0%	0.2%	0.0%	0.5%	10

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Table 5  
Population of Examinees' Hometown During High School  
As Percentage of Total Respondents  
2021-2025

	<b>2021</b>	<b>2022</b>	<b>2023</b>	<b>2024</b>	<b>2025</b>
Farm	1.4%	1.5%	1.4%	1.0%	1.1%
Under 2,500	8.3%	9.1%	9.1%	9.9%	11.8%
2,500 to 24,999	27.4%	29.2%	28.0%	27.0%	29.7%
25,000 to 99,999	29.4%	28.6%	28.3%	29.2%	26.8%
100,000 to 1,000,000	24.8%	23.3%	25.4%	25.1%	24.3%
Over 1,000,000	8.8%	8.2%	7.7%	7.9%	6.3%
Respondents	2,176	2,155	2,152	2,383	2,456
Total	2,862	2,819	2,890	3,095	3,247
Non-Respondents	24.0%	23.6%	25.5%	23.0%	24.4%

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Table 6  
Occupations of Examinees' Fathers  
As Percentage of Total Respondents  
2021-2025

	<b>2021</b>	<b>2022</b>	<b>2023</b>	<b>2024</b>	<b>2025</b>
Accountant	1.8%	2.7%	2.1%	3.0%	2.5%
Computer Analyst/Programmer	4.8%	5.6%	5.5%	5.6%	6.2%
Dentist	1.1%	0.8%	1.0%	1.0%	1.1%
Executive	3.3%	2.8%	3.0%	2.6%	3.3%
Farmer	1.8%	1.1%	1.5%	1.6%	1.5%
Homemaker	0.7%	0.7%	0.3%	0.5%	0.6%
Lawyer	1.1%	0.8%	0.8%	1.0%	1.0%
Nurse/Therapist	1.3%	0.9%	0.9%	1.0%	0.7%
Optometrist	3.7%	3.7%	3.9%	3.9%	4.1%
Owner or Manager	12.7%	12.7%	13.4%	11.6%	11.1%
Physician	3.2%	2.8%	3.1%	3.8%	4.3%
Salesperson	4.0%	4.4%	4.3%	4.3%	4.6%
Skilled Tradesperson	9.0%	10.0%	8.4%	9.5%	8.9%
Teacher	4.1%	3.3%	3.3%	3.4%	3.2%
Unskilled Worker	5.1%	5.7%	4.4%	3.9%	4.6%
Other	42.4%	42.1%	44.2%	43.4%	42.6%
Respondents	1,840	1,805	1,832	1,966	1,988
Total	2,862	2,819	2,890	3,095	3,247
Non-Respondents	35.7%	36.0%	36.6%	36.5%	38.8%

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Table 7  
Occupations of Examinees' Mothers  
As Percentage of Total Respondents  
2021-2025

	<b>2021</b>	<b>2022</b>	<b>2023</b>	<b>2024</b>	<b>2025</b>
Accountant	4.4%	3.8%	4.4%	4.3%	4.1%
Computer Analyst/Programmer	1.2%	1.4%	1.5%	1.7%	2.1%
Dentist	0.4%	0.4%	0.5%	0.5%	0.5%
Executive	1.5%	1.4%	1.4%	1.4%	1.2%
Farmer	0.4%	0.3%	0.1%	0.3%	0.3%
Homemaker	7.4%	9.8%	9.1%	9.4%	9.3%
Lawyer	0.4%	0.4%	0.6%	0.3%	0.7%
Nurse/Therapist	7.7%	7.2%	7.6%	8.6%	7.5%
Optometrist	1.6%	1.8%	2.5%	2.5%	2.3%
Owner or Manager	8.6%	7.3%	7.6%	6.6%	7.6%
Physician	1.2%	1.9%	1.9%	1.5%	1.9%
Salesperson	2.1%	1.8%	1.8%	1.6%	1.4%
Skilled Tradesperson	1.5%	1.3%	1.3%	0.8%	1.2%
Teacher	11.9%	12.9%	11.3%	12.0%	11.7%
Unskilled Worker	5.3%	5.4%	4.8%	4.2%	4.3%
Other	44.3%	43.0%	43.7%	44.5%	43.7%
Respondents	1,854	1,827	1,837	1,982	2,006
Total	2,862	2,819	2,890	3,095	3,247
Non-Respondents	35.2%	35.2%	36.4%	36.0%	38.2%

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Table 8  
Educational Attainment of Examinees' Fathers  
As Percentage of Total Respondents  
2021-2025

	<b>2021</b>	<b>2022</b>	<b>2023</b>	<b>2024</b>	<b>2025</b>
Graduate Degree	27.1%	25.2%	25.8%	28.4%	28.0%
Some Graduate School	1.3%	1.6%	1.9%	1.4%	1.5%
Baccalaureate Degree	25.4%	25.8%	27.2%	27.3%	26.2%
Some College	18.7%	17.9%	18.2%	16.1%	18.2%
High School Graduate	16.7%	18.4%	17.3%	16.3%	16.6%
Some High School	7.2%	6.8%	6.4%	6.9%	6.6%
Elementary Education	3.6%	4.3%	3.1%	3.6%	2.8%
Respondents	1,918	1,893	1,908	2,067	2,143
Total	2,862	2,819	2,890	3,095	3,247
Non-Respondents	33.0%	32.8%	34.0%	33.2%	34.0%

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Table 9  
Educational Attainment of Examinees' Mothers  
As Percentage of Total Respondents  
2021-2025

	<b>2021</b>	<b>2022</b>	<b>2023</b>	<b>2024</b>	<b>2025</b>
Graduate Degree	24.1%	24.0%	25.1%	26.3%	24.7%
Some Graduate School	2.1%	1.9%	2.1%	2.1%	2.0%
Baccalaureate Degree	28.9%	30.0%	30.0%	32.1%	33.0%
Some College	19.8%	19.6%	18.2%	16.8%	18.1%
High School Graduate	16.7%	15.9%	16.9%	14.8%	14.0%
Some High School	5.2%	5.4%	4.3%	5.3%	5.0%
Elementary Education	3.2%	3.3%	3.3%	2.6%	3.0%
Respondents	1,940	1,930	1,921	2,094	2,164
Total	2,862	2,819	2,890	3,095	3,247
Non-Respondents	32.2%	31.5%	33.5%	32.3%	33.4%

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Table 10  
English as the Primary Language Spoken in the Home, by Ethnicity  
As Percentage of Total Respondents  
2025

<b>English Language</b>	<b>American Indian or Alaskan Native</b>	<b>Asian</b>	<b>Black or African American</b>	<b>Native Hawaiian /Other Pacific Islander</b>	<b>White</b>	<b>Multi-Ethnic</b>	<b>Ethnicity Not Provided</b>	<b>Total</b>
Yes	83.3%	80.1%	88.9%	85.7%	91.0%	96.9%	85.4%	2,507
No	16.7%	19.9%	11.1%	14.3%	8.9%	3.1%	14.6%	382
Respondents	12	815	135	7	1,119	131	671	2,889
Total*	15	908	154	7	1,216	138	810	3,247
Non-Respondents	20.0%	10.2%	12.3%	0.0%	8.0%	5.1%	17.2%	358

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Table 11  
 Educational Attainment of Examinees' Fathers by Ethnic Identification  
 As Percentage of Total Respondents  
 2025

	American Indian or Alaskan Native	Asian	Black or African American	Native Hawaiian/ Other Pacific Islander	White	Multi-Ethnic	Missing Ethnicity	Total
Graduate Degree	9.1%	25.7%	11.7%	50.0%	28.2%	41.6%	30.4%	600
Some Graduate School	9.1%	1.6%	1.1%	0.0%	1.2%	4.0%	1.6%	33
Baccalaureate Degree	9.1%	26.9%	20.2%	25.0%	27.2%	18.8%	26.6%	561
Some College	27.3%	17.1%	22.3%	25.0%	18.6%	18.8%	17.5%	391
High School Graduate	18.2%	15.7%	35.1%	0.0%	18.2%	12.9%	11.9%	356
Some High School	9.1%	9.0%	8.5%	0.0%	5.0%	4.0%	7.4%	141
Elementary Education	18.2%	4.1%	1.1%	0.0%	1.6%	0.0%	4.6%	61
Respondents	11	491	94	4	939	101	503	2,143
Total*	15	908	154	7	1,215	138	810	3,247
Non-Respondents	26.7%	45.9%	39.0%	42.9%	22.7%	26.8%	37.9%	1,104

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Table 12  
 Educational Attainment of Examinees' Mothers by Ethnic Identification  
 As Percentage of Total Respondents  
 2025

	<b>American Indian or Alaskan Native</b>	<b>Asian</b>	<b>Black or African American</b>	<b>Native Hawaiian/ Other Pacific Islander</b>	<b>White</b>	<b>Multi-Ethnic</b>	<b>Missing Ethnicity</b>	<b>Total</b>
Graduate Degree	0.0%	17.6%	28.9%	25.0%	26.9%	36.2%	25.1%	535
Some Graduate School	0.0%	1.4%	1.0%	0.0%	2.7%	1.0%	2.0%	44
Baccalaureate Degree	27.3%	30.9%	23.7%	50.0%	35.5%	29.5%	33.1%	715
Some College	9.1%	19.4%	18.6%	0.0%	17.6%	21.0%	17.3%	391
High School Graduate	45.5%	17.8%	21.6%	25.0%	12.5%	7.6%	12.4%	304
Some High School	9.1%	8.1%	5.2%	0.0%	3.3%	2.9%	5.7%	109
Elementary Education	9.1%	4.8%	1.0%	0.0%	1.6%	1.9%	4.5%	66
Respondents	11	495	97	4	942	105	510	2,164
Total*	15	908	154	7	1,215	138	810	3,247
Non-Respondents	26.7%	45.5%	37.0%	42.9%	22.5%	23.9%	37.0%	1,083

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Table 13  
Examinee Distribution by State  
2025

State	Number	% Of Total	State	Number	% Of Total
AK	3	0.11	MT	4	0.15
AL	40	1.46	NC	51	1.86
AR	35	1.28	ND	12	0.44
AZ	43	1.57	NE	15	0.55
CA	376	13.70	NH	8	0.29
CO	17	0.62	NJ	92	3.35
CT	21	0.77	NM	13	0.47
DC	0	0.00	NV	16	0.58
DE	3	0.11	NY	179	6.52
FL	206	7.51	OH	86	3.13
GA	67	2.44	OK	61	2.22
HI	11	0.40	OR	18	0.66
IA	31	1.13	PA	92	3.35
ID	14	0.51	PR	20	0.73
IL	157	5.72	RI	9	0.33
IN	48	1.75	SC	20	0.73
KS	31	1.13	SD	9	0.33
KY	46	1.68	TN	73	2.66
LA	35	1.28	TX	284	10.35
MA	73	2.66	UT	26	0.95
MD	31	1.13	VA	53	1.93
ME	5	0.18	VT	2	0.07
MI	101	3.68	WA	41	1.49
MN	41	1.49	WI	33	1.20
MO	44	1.60	WV	8	0.29
MS	34	1.24	WY	6	0.22

## Part Two

### Self-Reported Academic and Financial Information

Table 14  
Amount of Pre-Optometry Education Completed at Time of Examination  
As Percentage of Total Respondents  
2021-2025

	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
0-30 semester hours	0.1%	0.1%	0.0%	0.2%	0.6%
31-60 semester hours	2.8%	2.4%	2.9%	2.6%	3.5%
61-90 semester hours	15.3%	15.7%	14.2%	16.0%	16.5%
91-120 semester hours	44.7%	43.7%	42.3%	43.1%	41.2%
Baccalaureate degree	35.7%	37.0%	38.9%	36.3%	37.0%
Advanced degree	1.3%	1.1%	1.6%	1.8%	1.2%
Respondents	2,216	2,166	2,206	2,450	2,568
Total	2,862	2,819	2,890	3,095	3,247
Non-Respondents	22.6%	23.2%	23.7%	20.8%	20.9%

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Table 15  
Examinees' Self-Reported Percentile Rank in High School  
As a Percentage of Total Respondents  
2021-2025

Percentile	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
80 <sup>th</sup> or higher	82.2%	83.9%	84.3%	82.3%	84.0%
60 <sup>th</sup> to 79 <sup>th</sup>	10.4%	9.8%	9.3%	11.1%	8.7%
40 <sup>th</sup> to 59 <sup>th</sup>	2.9%	2.7%	2.9%	2.9%	2.8%
20 <sup>th</sup> to 39 <sup>th</sup>	2.8%	2.2%	1.6%	2.0%	2.6%
Below 20 <sup>th</sup>	1.6%	1.5%	2.0%	1.8%	1.9%
Respondents	2,001	1,987	1,963	2,156	2,194
Total	2,862	2,819	2,890	3,095	3,247
Non-Respondents	30.1%	29.5%	32.1%	30.3%	32.4%

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Table 16  
 Examinees' Self-Reported Cumulative College GPA  
 As a Percentage of Total Respondents  
 2021-2025

<b>GPA*</b>	<b>2021</b>	<b>2022</b>	<b>2023</b>	<b>2024</b>	<b>2025</b>
3.6 - 4.0	44.0%	46.9%	50.2%	48.0%	50.4%
3.1 - 3.5	42.9%	41.7%	40.1%	41.5%	39.0%
2.6 - 3.0	12.2%	10.6%	8.9%	9.4%	9.4%
2.0 - 2.5	1.0%	0.8%	0.8%	1.1%	1.0%
1.0 - 1.9	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.1%
Respondents	2,188	2,144	2,191	2,417	2,480
Total	2,862	2,819	2,890	3,095	3,247
Non-Respondents	23.5%	23.9%	24.2%	21.9%	23.6%

\* GPA – grade point average. Columns might not add to 100.0 because some figures have been rounded.

Table 17  
 Examinees' Self-Reported Cumulative College Science GPA  
 As a Percentage of Total Respondents  
 2021-2025

<b>Science GPA*</b>	<b>2021</b>	<b>2022</b>	<b>2023</b>	<b>2024</b>	<b>2025</b>
3.6 - 4.0	34.9%	39.5%	40.7%	38.0%	41.1%
3.1 - 3.5	42.7%	42.9%	41.2%	43.0%	41.8%
2.6 - 3.0	20.1%	15.9%	16.1%	16.7%	14.9%
2.0 - 2.5	2.3%	1.6%	2.0%	2.2%	2.0%
1.0 - 1.9	0.0%	0.0%	0.1%	0.1%	0.2%
Respondents	2,054	2,026	2,044	2,241	2,305
Total	2,862	2,819	2,890	3,095	3,247
Non-Respondents	28.2%	28.1%	29.3%	27.6%	29.0%

\* GPA – grade point average. Columns might not add to 100.0 because some figures have been rounded.

Table 18  
 Examinees' Extracurricular Activities\*  
 As a Percent of Total Respondents  
 2021-2025

<b>Activity</b>	<b>2021</b>	<b>2022</b>	<b>2023</b>	<b>2024</b>	<b>2025</b>
Athletics	66.2%	63.7%	65.0%	69.2%	69.0%
Art/Crafts	22.7%	21.7%	21.3%	24.0%	25.9%
Community Service	79.8%	79.1%	75.8%	76.5%	76.1%
Debate/Writing	8.9%	8.5%	8.2%	8.3%	8.0%
Drama/Dance	21.3%	19.9%	20.0%	19.4%	18.3%
Health Services	39.8%	36.2%	35.9%	41.7%	43.0%
Music	36.5%	34.1%	34.5%	35.2%	34.5%
Political Group	2.5%	3.1%	3.0%	2.3%	2.3%
Sorority/Fraternity	7.2%	7.8%	5.8%	6.8%	7.3%
Student Government	23.1%	21.6%	23.8%	20.9%	23.3%
Other	27.5%	24.9%	23.3%	24.3%	24.6%
Respondents	2,258	2,303	2,374	2,429	2,488
Total	2,862	2,819	2,890	3,095	3,247
Non-Respondents	21.1%	18.3%	17.9%	21.5%	23.4%

\*Examinees could select more than one activity.

Table 19  
 Examinees' College Major  
 As Percentage of Total Respondents  
 2021-2025

<b>Major</b>	<b>2021</b>	<b>2022</b>	<b>2023</b>	<b>2024</b>	<b>2025</b>
Anthropology	0.3%	0.1%	0.2%	0.3%	0.1%
Biochemistry	4.7%	5.1%	3.9%	4.6%	4.1%
Biology	55.2%	56.5%	54.9%	55.9%	55.2%
Business	1.1%	0.8%	0.7%	1.2%	0.6%
Chemistry	2.4%	1.9%	2.5%	2.4%	1.8%
Economics	0.3%	0.3%	0.0%	0.1%	0.2%
Education	0.1%	0.3%	0.1%	0.0%	0.1%
Engineering	0.9%	0.6%	0.9%	0.7%	0.6%
Fine and Applied Arts	0.1%	0.2%	0.2%	0.1%	0.1%
History	0.2%	0.2%	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%
Languages Literature	0.3%	0.0%	0.0%	0.1%	0.1%
Mathematics/Computer Science	0.2%	0.2%	0.3%	0.3%	0.4%
Medical Technician	0.1%	0.0%	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%
Microbiology	1.2%	1.5%	1.3%	1.4%	1.5%
Nursing	0.1%	0.1%	0.2%	0.0%	0.1%
Pre-Medical	7.5%	7.0%	7.3%	6.9%	7.8%
Pre-Dental	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Pharmacy	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%
Physics	0.0%	0.2%	0.3%	0.0%	0.3%
Physiology	1.7%	2.0%	1.8%	1.2%	1.6%
Psychology	4.8%	4.5%	4.9%	4.0%	4.6%
Social Sciences	0.6%	0.6%	0.6%	0.9%	0.6%
Zoology	0.3%	0.1%	0.2%	0.0%	0.0%
Other	18.1%	17.7%	19.4%	19.4%	19.9%
Respondents	2,317	2,256	2,325	2,579	2,674
Total	2,862	2,819	2,890	3,095	3,247
Non-Respondents	19.0%	20.0%	19.6%	16.7%	17.6%

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Table 20  
 Combined Annual Income of Examinees' Parents  
 As Percentage of Total Respondents  
 2021-2025

<b>Income</b>	<b>2021</b>	<b>2022</b>	<b>2023</b>	<b>2024</b>	<b>2025</b>
Less than \$10,000	2.0%	1.9%	1.5%	1.9%	2.0%
\$10,000 - \$19,999	2.0%	2.4%	1.4%	1.8%	1.7%
\$20,000 - \$29,999	4.9%	4.3%	3.6%	2.9%	2.9%
\$30,000 - \$39,999	6.2%	5.4%	4.3%	4.9%	4.1%
\$40,000 - \$49,999	6.2%	5.6%	4.8%	4.6%	3.9%
\$50,000 - \$59,999	5.6%	6.1%	5.1%	4.7%	5.5%
\$60,000 - \$69,999	8.4%	9.1%	7.8%	7.4%	8.4%
\$70,000 - \$100,000	21.3%	20.0%	22.1%	19.8%	20.8%
Above \$100,000	43.5%	45.1%	49.3%	52.0%	50.6%
Respondents	1,641	1,616	1,595	1,680	1,736
Total	2,862	2,819	2,890	3,095	3,247
Non-Respondents	42.7%	42.7%	44.8%	45.7%	46.5%

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Table 21  
 Combined Annual Income of Examinees' Parents by Ethnic Identification  
 As a Percentage of Total Respondents  
 2025

<b>Income</b>	<b>American Indian or Alaskan Native</b>	<b>Asian</b>	<b>Black or African American</b>	<b>Native Hawaiian/ Other Pacific Islander</b>	<b>White</b>	<b>Multi-Ethnic</b>	<b>Ethnicity Not Provided</b>	<b>Total</b>
Less than \$10,000	0.0%	3.0%	1.3%	0.0%	1.5%	0.0%	2.5%	34
\$10,000 - \$19,999	11.1%	3.5%	2.6%	0.0%	1.0%	0.0%	1.5%	30
\$20,000 - \$29,999	11.1%	4.6%	3.8%	33.3%	2.2%	1.2%	2.7%	51
\$30,000 - \$39,999	11.1%	5.4%	7.7%	0.0%	3.3%	1.2%	4.4%	72
\$40,000 - \$49,999	22.2%	5.4%	7.7%	0.0%	3.3%	1.2%	3.2%	68
\$50,000 - \$59,999	0.0%	6.2%	14.1%	33.3%	5.2%	2.4%	4.4%	96
\$60,000 - \$69,999	11.1%	9.7%	15.4%	0.0%	7.4%	3.6%	8.6%	145
\$70,000 - \$100,000	33.3%	21.4%	19.2%	0.0%	20.3%	15.5%	22.5%	361
Above \$100,000	0.0%	40.8%	28.2%	33.3%	55.7%	75.0%	50.2%	879
Respondents	9	370	78	3	784	84	408	1,736
Total*	15	908	154	7	1,215	138	810	3,247
Non-Respondents	40.0%	59.3%	49.4%	57.1%	35.5%	39.1%	49.6%	1,511

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Table 22  
 Estimated Financial Indebtedness of Examinees at Time of Matriculation  
 As Percentage of Total Respondents  
 2021-2025

	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
None	51.0%	52.2%	51.7%	52.4%	50.9%
\$1 to \$4,999	6.4%	5.5%	7.5%	7.0%	9.3%
\$5,000 to \$9,999	5.7%	7.0%	6.2%	6.4%	7.9%
\$10,000 to \$19,999	9.8%	9.8%	10.2%	9.4%	9.4%
\$20,000 to \$29,999	10.4%	8.6%	8.5%	9.0%	7.6%
\$30,000 and above	16.7%	16.9%	15.9%	15.8%	14.9%
Respondents	1,663	1,636	1,633	1,631	1,740
Total	2,862	2,819	2,890	3,095	3,247
Non-Respondents	41.9%	42.0%	43.5%	47.3%	46.4%

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Table 23  
 Examinees' Financial Indebtedness by Ethnic Identification  
 As a Percentage of Total Respondents  
 2025

	American Indian or Alaskan Native	Asian	Black or African American	Native Hawaiian/ Other Pacific Islander	White	Multi-Ethnic	Ethnicity Not Provided	Total
None	22.2%	46.7%	33.0%	50.0%	52.2%	62.1%	54.6%	886
\$1 to \$4,999	33.3%	7.4%	12.5%	0.0%	9.8%	8.0%	9.2%	162
\$5,000 to \$9,999	33.3%	9.3%	8.0%	0.0%	6.9%	12.6%	6.8%	137
\$10,000 to \$19,999	0.0%	11.9%	13.6%	25.0%	9.3%	3.4%	7.8%	164
\$20,000 to \$29,999	11.1%	8.8%	8.0%	0.0%	6.9%	5.7%	8.0%	132
\$30,000 and above	0.0%	15.9%	25.0%	25.0%	14.8%	8.0%	13.6%	259
Respondents	9	377	88	4	763	87	412	1,740
Total*	15	908	154	7	1,215	138	810	3,247
Non-Respondents	40.0%	58.5%	42.9%	42.9%	37.2%	37.0%	49.1%	1,507

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Table 24A  
 Examinees' Optometry Education Expected to Be Self-Financed\*  
 As a Percentage of Respondents  
 2021-2025

<b>Percent</b>	<b>2021</b>	<b>2022</b>	<b>2023</b>	<b>2024</b>	<b>2025</b>
100%	3.9%	5.7%	6.5%	5.9%	3.3%
75%	3.3%	4.3%	4.3%	3.9%	3.2%
50%	7.6%	10.7%	9.7%	12.2%	9.4%
25%	33.6%	33.8%	31.2%	35.2%	33.9%
0%	51.7%	45.4%	48.3%	42.8%	50.2%
Respondents	751	718	721	913	1,774
Total	2,862	2,819	2,890	3,095	3,247
Non-Respondents	73.8%	74.5%	75.1%	70.5%	45.4%

\*Question referred to education expenses expected to be financed by self or spouse. Columns might not add to 100.0 because some figures have been rounded.

Table 24B  
 Percentage of Examinees' Optometry Education Expected to Be  
 Financed by Parents  
 As a Percentage of Total Respondents  
 2021-2025

<b>Percent</b>	<b>2021</b>	<b>2022</b>	<b>2023</b>	<b>2024</b>	<b>2025</b>
100%	0.5%	0.7%	0.7%	4.5%	4.7%
75%	2.1%	2.1%	2.1%	5.1%	5.3%
50%	6.3%	5.5%	7.5%	10.2%	9.9%
25%	19.0%	21.0%	24.3%	26.7%	22.2%
0%	72.0%	70.7%	65.4%	53.5%	57.9%
Respondents	747	711	717	797	1,774
Total	2,862	2,819	2,890	3,095	3,247
Non-Respondents	73.9%	74.8%	75.2%	74.2%	45.4%

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Table 24C  
 Percentage of Examinees' Optometry Education to Be  
 Financed by Loans/Scholarships  
 As Percentage of Total Respondents  
 2021-2025

<b>Percent</b>	<b>2021</b>	<b>2022</b>	<b>2023</b>	<b>2024</b>	<b>2025</b>
100%	35.6%	31.7%	31.3%	27.5%	25.6%
75%	30.3%	28.1%	24.4%	24.4%	24.4%
50%	16.8%	17.6%	21.7%	20.1%	20.0%
25%	9.6%	12.4%	11.5%	13.4%	14.9%
0%	7.7%	10.3%	11.1%	14.6%	15.2%
Respondents	752	720	722	1,045	1,774
Total	2,862	2,819	2,890	3,095	3,247
Non-Respondents	73.7%	74.5%	75.0%	66.2%	45.4%

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Table 24D  
 Percentage of Examinees' Optometry Education Expected to Be  
 Financed by Other Sources  
 As Percentage of Total Respondents  
 2021-2025

<b>Percent</b>	<b>2021</b>	<b>2022</b>	<b>2023</b>	<b>2024</b>	<b>2025</b>
100%	0.3%	0.1%	0.0%	0.6%	0.3%
75%	0.3%	0.1%	0.4%	0.3%	0.2%
50%	0.8%	0.7%	0.4%	1.9%	1.1%
25%	5.5%	4.5%	4.2%	8.6%	5.1%
0%	93.2%	94.5%	94.9%	88.6%	93.2%
Respondents	746	709	710	718	1,774
Total	2,862	2,819	2,890	3,095	3,247
Non-Respondents	73.9%	74.8%	75.4%	76.8%	45.4%

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Table 25  
 Examinees' College GPA\* by Parents' Income  
 As Percentage of Total Respondents  
 2025

Parents' Income	Examinees' College Grade Point Average						
	3.6-4.0	3.1-3.5	2.6-3.0	2.0-2.5	1.0-1.9	N/A	Total
Less than \$10,000	1.6%	1.9%	1.9%	0.0%	0.0%	6.9%	34
\$10,000 - \$19,999	1.3%	1.6%	3.7%	0.0%	0.0%	3.4%	30
\$20,000 - \$29,999	1.6%	3.4%	5.0%	5.0%	0.0%	8.0%	51
\$30,000 - \$39,999	2.7%	5.6%	4.3%	15.0%	0.0%	4.6%	72
\$40,000 - \$49,999	3.0%	5.0%	5.6%	0.0%	0.0%	2.3%	68
\$50,000 - \$59,999	4.7%	5.7%	8.7%	0.0%	0.0%	6.9%	96
\$60,000 - \$69,999	6.8%	10.1%	6.8%	10.0%	0.0%	12.6%	145
\$70,000 - \$100,000	20.6%	21.6%	21.1%	20.0%	50.0%	16.1%	361
Above \$100,000	57.7%	45.2%	42.9%	50.0%	50.0%	39.1%	879
Respondents	822	644	161	20	2	87	1,736
Total**	1,251	968	233	25	3	767	3,247
Non-Respondents	34.3%	33.5%	30.9%	20.0%	33.3%	88.7%	1,511

\* GPA – grade point average. Columns might not add to 100.0 because some figures have been rounded.

\*\* Total represents the number of individuals in each category. Columns might not add to 100.0 because some figures have been rounded. Percentages are totaled vertically.

Table 26  
 Examinees' College Science GPA\* by Parents' Income  
 As a Percentage of Respondents  
 2025

Income	Examinees' Science Grade Point Average						Total
	3.6-4.0	3.1-3.5	2.6-3.0	2.0-2.5	1.0-1.9	N/A	
Less than \$10,000	1.6%	1.9%	2.0%	0.0%	0.0%	4.1%	34
\$10,000 - \$19,999	1.4%	1.6%	2.8%	0.0%	0.0%	2.0%	30
\$20,000 - \$29,999	1.7%	2.5%	4.0%	2.9%	0.0%	8.2%	51
\$30,000 - \$39,999	3.2%	4.5%	5.2%	8.8%	0.0%	4.1%	72
\$40,000 - \$49,999	3.7%	4.5%	4.4%	0.0%	0.0%	2.7%	68
\$50,000 - \$59,999	4.3%	6.9%	6.3%	2.9%	0.0%	4.1%	96
\$60,000 - \$69,999	6.5%	9.1%	10.3%	5.9%	0.0%	10.2%	145
\$70,000 - \$100,000	20.5%	20.1%	21.8%	17.6%	66.7%	23.1%	361
Above \$100,000	57.1%	48.9%	43.3%	61.8%	33.3%	41.5%	879
Respondents	629	671	252	34	3	147	1,736
Total**	948	963	343	47	4	942	3,247
Non-Respondents	33.6%	30.3%	26.5%	27.7%	25.0%	84.4%	1,511

\* GPA – grade point average. Columns might not add to 100.0 because some figures have been rounded.

\*\* Total represents the number of individuals in each category. Columns might not add to 100.0 because some figures have been rounded. Percentages are totaled vertically.

Table 27  
 Examinees' College GPA\* by City Population of Residence  
 As a Percentage of Total Respondents  
 2025

<b>GPA</b>	<b>Farm</b>	<b>Under 2,500</b>	<b>2,500- 24,999</b>	<b>25,000- 99,999</b>	<b>100,000- 1,000,000</b>	<b>Over 1,000,000</b>	<b>Not Provided</b>	<b>Total</b>
3.6-4.0	54.2%	47.6%	49.8%	51.9%	52.4%	52.8%	47.1%	1,251
3.1-3.5	41.7%	42.5%	38.7%	37.9%	37.3%	37.0%	42.4%	968
2.6-3.0	4.2%	9.1%	10.6%	9.0%	8.6%	9.4%	9.6%	233
2.0-2.5	0.0%	0.4%	0.9%	1.2%	1.4%	0.8%	0.9%	25
1.0-1.9	0.0%	0.4%	0.0%	0.0%	0.4%	0.0%	0.0%	3
Respondents	24	252	653	591	510	127	323	2,480
Total**	27	290	729	658	598	154	791	3,247
Non-Respondents	11.1%	13.1%	10.4%	10.2%	14.7%	17.5%	59.2%	767

\* GPA – grade point average. Columns might not add to 100.0 because some figures have been rounded.

\*\* Total represents the number of individuals in each category. Columns might not add to 100.0 because some figures have been rounded. Percentages are totaled vertically.

Table 28  
 Examinees' College Science GPA by Population of Residence  
 As a Percentage of Total Respondents  
 2025

<b>Science GPA*</b>	<b>Farm</b>	<b>Under 2,500</b>	<b>2,500- 24,999</b>	<b>25,000- 99,999</b>	<b>100,000- 1,000,000</b>	<b>Over 1,000,000</b>	<b>Not Provided</b>	<b>Total</b>
3.6-4.0	45.8%	37.8%	40.9%	39.6%	43.0%	44.2%	42.6%	948
3.1-3.5	41.7%	44.5%	42.2%	41.8%	41.7%	31.7%	43.0%	963
2.6-3.0	12.5%	15.1%	14.3%	16.8%	13.2%	20.0%	12.8%	343
2.0-2.5	0.0%	2.5%	2.4%	1.8%	1.5%	4.2%	1.5%	47
1.0-1.9	0.0%	0.0%	0.2%	0.0%	0.6%	0.0%	0.0%	4
Respondents	24	238	621	560	477	120	265	2,305
Total**	27	290	729	658	598	154	791	3,247
Non-Respondents	11.1%	17.9%	14.8%	14.9%	20.2%	22.1%	66.5%	942

\* GPA – grade point average. Columns might not add to 100.0 because some figures have been rounded.

\*\* Total represents the number of individuals in each category. Columns might not add to 100.0 because some figures have been rounded. Percentages are totaled vertically.

Table 29  
 Examinees' College GPA by Ethnic Identification  
 As a Percentage of Total Respondents  
 2025

<b>GPA*</b>	<b>American Indian or Alaskan Native</b>	<b>Asian</b>	<b>Black or African American</b>	<b>Native Hawaiian/ Other Pacific Islander</b>	<b>White</b>	<b>Multi-Ethnic</b>	<b>Ethnicity Not Provided</b>	<b>Total</b>
3.6-4.0	44.4%	47.5%	29.5%	75.0%	51.4%	54.5%	54.9%	1,251
3.1-3.5	44.4%	41.1%	49.1%	25.0%	38.0%	36.6%	37.2%	968
2.6-3.0	11.1%	9.7%	19.6%	0.0%	9.6%	6.3%	7.4%	233
2.0-2.5	0.0%	1.5%	1.8%	0.0%	0.9%	1.8%	0.5%	25
1.0-1.9	0.0%	0.2%	0.0%	0.0%	0.1%	0.9%	0.0%	3
Respondents	9	606	112	4	1,041	112	596	2,480
Total**	15	908	154	7	1,215	138	810	3,247
Non-Respondents	40.0%	33.3%	27.3%	42.9%	14.3%	18.8%	26.4%	767

Table 30  
 Examinees' College Science GPA by Ethnic Identification  
 As Percentage of Respondents  
 2025

<b>Science GPA*</b>	<b>American Indian or Alaskan Native</b>	<b>Asian</b>	<b>Black or African American</b>	<b>Native Hawaiian/ Other Pacific Islander</b>	<b>White</b>	<b>Multi-Ethnic</b>	<b>Ethnicity Not Provided</b>	<b>Total</b>
3.6 - 4.0	28.6%	39.1%	20.0%	25.0%	40.7%	37.4%	48.6%	948
3.1 - 3.5	42.9%	42.1%	50.5%	75.0%	42.9%	42.1%	37.6%	963
2.6 - 3.0	28.6%	16.2%	25.3%	0.0%	14.2%	16.8%	12.5%	343
2.0 - 2.5	0.0%	2.7%	4.2%	0.0%	2.0%	1.9%	1.3%	47
1.0 - 1.9	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.2%	1.9%	0.0%	4
Respondents	7	563	95	4	971	107	558	2,305
Total**	15	908	154	7	1,215	138	810	3,247
Non-Respondents	53.3%	38.0%	38.3%	42.9%	20.1%	22.5%	31.1%	942

\*G.P.A. – grade point average.

\*\* Total represents the number of respondents in each category. Percentages are totaled vertically.

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Table 31  
 Examinees' Use of Test Preparation Courses for OAT\*  
 As a Percentage of Total Respondents  
 2021-2025  
 "Have You Taken a Review Course to Prepare for the OAT?"

	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
No	79.5%	72.0%	66.2%	62.3%	59.0%
Yes(1) **	1.5%	1.6%	2.4%	3.0%	2.7%
Yes(2) ***	19.1%	26.4%	31.4%	34.7%	38.3%
Respondents	2,151	2,090	2,070	2,387	2,496
Total	2,862	2,819	2,890	3,095	3,247
Non-Respondents	24.8%	25.9%	28.4%	22.9%	23.1%

\*Respondents answered the question, "Have You Taken a Review Course to Prepare for the OAT?"

\*\*Took a preparation course provided by a pre-Optometry institution.

\*\*\*Took a preparation course provided by a private company for a fee.

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Table 32  
 Examinees Who Have Taken or Plan to Take the MCAT, DAT, VAT, PCAT, or AHPAT  
 As a Percentage of Total Respondents  
 2021-2025

	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Yes	10.4%	9.1%	10.4%	7.9%	7.9%
No	89.6%	90.9%	89.6%	92.1%	92.1%
Respondents	2,175	2,113	2,128	2,389	2,482
Total	2,862	2,819	2,890	3,095	3,247
Non-Respondents	24.0%	25.0%	26.4%	22.8%	23.6%

MCAT – Medical College Admission Test. DAT – Dental Admission Test. VAT – Veterinary Aptitude Test.

PCAT – Pharmacy College Admission Test. AHPAT – Allied Health Professions Admission Test.

N/A Percentage of respondents who did not answer the question.

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Table 33  
 Examinees Who Have taken (or plan to take) an OAT practice exam offered by the OAT program  
 As a Percentage of Total Respondents  
 2021-2025

	<b>2021</b>	<b>2022</b>	<b>2023</b>	<b>2024</b>	<b>2025</b>
Yes	78.2%	76.3%	76.8%	75.6%	75.4%
No	21.8%	23.7%	23.2%	24.4%	24.6%
Respondents	2,182	2,151	2,117	2,361	2,433
Total	2,862	2,819	2,890	3,095	3,247
Non-Respondents	23.8%	23.7%	26.7%	23.7%	25.1%

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