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Applicant Race/Ethnicity Responses		2015-2016	2016-2017*	2017-2018	2018-2019	2019-2020
American Indian or Alaska Native	Alone	115	127	100	109	89
	In Combination	348	426	408	450	497
	Alone or In Combination	463	553	508	559	586
Asian	Alone	10,122	10,906	10,499	11,218	11,027
	In Combination	1,332	1,685	1,573	1,594	1,751
	Alone or In Combination	11,454	12,591	12,072	12,812	12,778
Black or African American	Alone	4,087	4,344	4,308	4,430	4,419
	In Combination	574	654	659	734	774
	Alone or In Combination	4,661	4,998	4,967	5,164	5,193
Hispanic, Latino, or of Spanish Origin	Alone	3,219	3,300	3,396	3,297	3,350
	In Combination	1,620	2,121	2,157	2,279	2,508
	Alone or In Combination	4,839	5,421	5,553	5,576	5,858
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	Alone	50	32	38	53	42
	In Combination	142	141	146	136	190
	Alone or In Combination	192	173	184	189	232
White	Alone	25,101	25,544	23,937	24,686	23,469
	In Combination	2,924	3,853	3,689	3,939	4,326
	Alone or In Combination	28,025	29,397	27,626	28,625	27,795
Other	Alone	1,661	1,089	1,091	1,167	1,198
	In Combination	684	1,005	892	997	966
	Alone or In Combination	2,345	2,094	1,983	2,164	2,164
Unknown Race/Ethnicity		2,438	910	1,817	1,013	2,641
Non-U.S. Citizen and Non-Permanent Resident		2,099	2,053	1,917	1,948	1,890
Unduplicated Total Applicants		52,549	53,042	51,680	52,777	53,371

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Percent of Applicant Race/Ethnicity Responses		2015-2016	2016-2017*	2017-2018	2018-2019	2019-2020
American Indian or Alaska Native	Alone	24.8	23.0	19.7	19.5	15.2
	In Combination	75.2	77.0	80.3	80.5	84.8
	Alone or In Combination	0.9	1.0	1.0	1.1	1.1
Asian	Alone	88.4	86.6	87.0	87.6	86.3
	In Combination	11.6	13.4	13.0	12.4	13.7
	Alone or In Combination	21.8	23.7	23.4	24.3	23.9
Black or African American	Alone	87.7	86.9	86.7	85.8	85.1
	In Combination	12.3	13.1	13.3	14.2	14.9
	Alone or In Combination	8.9	9.4	9.6	9.8	9.7
Hispanic, Latino, or of Spanish Origin	Alone	66.5	60.9	61.2	59.1	57.2
	In Combination	33.5	39.1	38.8	40.9	42.8
	Alone or In Combination	9.2	10.2	10.7	10.6	11.0
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	Alone	26.0	18.5	20.7	28.0	18.1
	In Combination	74.0	81.5	79.3	72.0	81.9
	Alone or In Combination	0.4	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.4
White	Alone	89.6	86.9	86.6	86.2	84.4
	In Combination	10.4	13.1	13.4	13.8	15.6
	Alone or In Combination	53.3	55.4	53.5	54.2	52.1
Other	Alone	70.8	52.0	55.0	53.9	55.4
	In Combination	29.2	48.0	45.0	46.1	44.6
	Alone or In Combination	4.5	3.9	3.8	4.1	4.1
Unknown Race/Ethnicity		4.6	1.7	3.5	1.9	4.9
Non-U.S. Citizen and Non-Permanent Resident		4.0	3.9	3.7	3.7	3.5
Unduplicated Total Applicants		100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

*During the 2016 application cycle, a technical malfunction in the collection of race/ethnicity data necessitated a request that applicants review and re-submit responses to the race/ethnicity question in their AMCAS applications. No applicants were asked to review this question prior to or after 2016.

Notes: The "Non-U.S. Citizen and Non-Permanent Resident" category may include students with unknown citizenship.

Each academic year includes applicants that applied to enter medical school in the fall of the given year. For example, academic year 2019-2020 represents the applicants that applied to enter medical school during the 2019 application cycle.