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# Registration Data Report

Manitoba Dental Association  
Dental Assistants

## Introduction

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This Fair Registration Practices Office (FRPO) report presents registration data on internationally educated dental assistants applying to the Manitoba Dental Association (MDA). FRPO issues this report under authority of section 14(2b) of The Fair Registration Practices in Regulated Professions Act (act) to conduct research and analysis regarding the registration of internationally educated applicants (IEAs).

This report is restricted to developing a fact-based, statistical picture. There is no discussion of fairness issues or compliance to fairness duties under the act.

Manitoba self-regulated professions supply registration data to the FRPO in accordance with section 15(2) of the act. Each year, regulated professions subject to the legislation provide records on the key steps in the assessment and registration process for IEAs, and less detailed, aggregate application and outcome information for domestic applicants (DAs). MDA has been providing data on dental assistants since 2018.

## Reading the numbers

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MDA received 20 IEAs over the 2018 to 2023 reporting period. All 20 applicants registered, taking a median time of 219 days to do so.

Only those IEAs who completed the national first-step assessment and went on to apply to MDA are recorded in the data. This means only a partial picture of IEA applications and outcomes is presented. The true number of applications from Manitoba IEAs may be undercounted and registration rates may appear artificially high.

A cautious reading of the data is needed. Registration outcomes and timeline statistics reflect both the profession's registration requirements and individual circumstance. Often people take an extended period to register or abandon the process for reasons unrelated to registration requirements. This can have a significant impact on registration outcome and timeline data.

In this report, only basic application, outcome, and timeline data is presented as privacy concerns with small application numbers do not permit publishing a more detailed analysis.



Registered  
Members:

**1,340**

As of  
December 2023

## Application Outcomes

**20**



internationally  
educated  
applicants



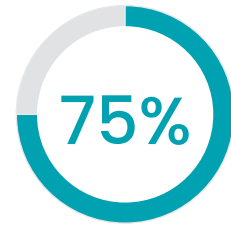
**100%**

registered

**553**



domestic  
applicants



**75%**

registered

## IEA Time to Registration



median: **219** days

## Countries of Education



**5**

# Appendix - Process Map

