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Geographic Trend Report for GMAT® Examinees









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Examinees identifies mobility trends among GMAT examinees applying to and attending graduate business school. Geographic and background data collected as part of the GMAT exam are used and combined with score-sending patterns. Together they illustrate which countries and schools are of interest to citizens of various Asian countries. Data from the most recent testing year are compared against data from four years prior to identify changes in examinee preferences.

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he Asian Geographic Trend Report presents trends in the student pipeline for graduate management education. Examination of data collected from respondents taking the Graduate Management Admission Test® (GMAT®) during the 2007 and 2011 testing years (TY) and from the requested destination of their score reports forms the basis of this report.

The GMAT score-sending data studied for this update reveal two key types of information related to examinees' geographic program preferences. First is *absolute* change in the overall number of GMAT score reports that are sent each year, which reflects the physical size of the annual student pipeline. Absolute change tends to fluctuate widely depending on yearly testing volume. The second type of information is *relative* change, which measures the proportion of total scores sent to a given country or region and reveals structural changes in market share. Relative change is generally more stable over time. Understanding both types of information—absolute and relative—enhances a school's ability to navigate the student pipeline and recruit effectively.

Major differences in score-sending behavior were observed between TY 2007 and TY 2011 for many of the citizenship and geographic groups covered in this report. This is not surprising given the global nature of higher education today, which is characterized by innovation and constant change. Many factors influence the attractiveness of certain programs to students and also the ability of students to pursue management education. This report identifies the aggregate outcomes of such dynamics.

Key Findings

- The number of GMAT exams taken by Asian citizens reached an all-time high of 85,551 in TY 2011. This represents an increase of 47 percent when compared with TY 2007.
- Much of regional testing growth can be attributed to Chinese citizens who took 40,069 exams in TY 2011, up from 13,048 in TY 2007. The characteristics of Chinese examinees stand in stark contrast to most regional groups. They are more likely to be younger women who are interested in pursuing specialized master's degrees in the United States.
- Asian citizens sent 289,388 GMAT score reports to business schools around the world in TY 2011. This reflects an average of 3.4 score reports sent per exam taken, which is significantly higher than the global average of 2.9. Regional variation in score-sending habits ranged from an average of 4.4 score reports sent by Indian citizens to 2.0 for South Korean citizens.
- Overall, Asian citizens sent 69 percent of their score reports to management programs in the United States in TY 2011. This is down from 74 percent in TY 2007 and reflects growing interest in regional programs and opportunities across Western Europe. Of all citizenship groups studied in the report, only Chinese examinees sent a greater share of their score reports to US programs in TY 2011 than they did in TY 2007.
- With the exception of Chinese examinees, Asian citizens directed the majority of their score reports to MBA programs in TY 2011. In several cases, however, they exhibited growing interest in non-MBA master's programs in such areas as accounting, finance, and management. These programs are attracting a growing segment of GMAT examinees that are younger and have less work experience.
- Schools in Asia received 42,933 score reports from global examinees in TY 2011. This represented 6 percent of total GMAT score reports sent worldwide and a 63 percent increase from TY 2007. Management programs in India, Singapore, and Hong Kong collectively

- received 89 percent of total scores sent into the region during TY 2011.
- Schools across Asia rely heavily on regional examinees. Of the 42,933 scores received by Asian schools in TY 2011, 94 percent came

from Asian citizens. Only 2 of the top 10 citizenship groups sending scores to Asia were from outside of the region (US and Canadian citizens).

Geographic data collected in each testing year include examinees' mailing addresses at the time of exam registration (residence) and country of citizenship. Figure 1 shows GMAT exam totals for the 10 largest citizenship groups in Asia during TY 2011. For many of these countries, the number of exams taken by citizenship is greater than the number of exams taken by residence. This reflects the fact that many individuals sit for the GMAT exam while living abroad. Data presented in the remainder of this report reflect GMAT data based on individual country or region of citizenship.¹

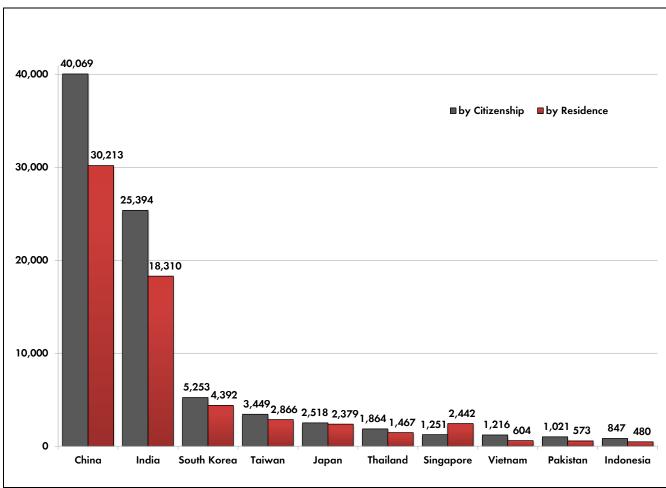


Figure 1. GMAT® Exams Taken in Top 10 Countries of Asia in TY2011

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¹ For more information on GMAT test-taking trends by residence please refer to Table B.1. in Appendix B of this report or the 2011 Profile of GMAT® Candidates, which is available at: gmac.com/profile

Pipeline Characteristics by Country of Citizenship

Women

Chinese and Vietnamese citizens had the greatest participation rate from female examinees in TY 2011.

■TY 2007 ■TY 2011 64% 60% 58% 57% 58% 58% 61% 61% 47% 45% 43% 38% 38% 28% 29% 23% 25% 26% 26% 19% 22% China India All Asian Indonesia Japan **Pakistan** Singapore South Korea Taiwan Thailand Vietnam Citizens

Figure 2a. GMAT® Exams Taken by Women (%)

Younger Talent

Chinese and Vietnamese citizens also had the greatest share of exams taken by those younger than 25. South Korean and Japanese examinees had the oldest prospective student pipelines.



Figure 2b. GMAT® Exams Taken by Those Younger Than 25 (%)

Program Interest²

Japanese, Indonesian, and Thai citizens sent the greatest share of score reports to MBA programs in TY 2011. Interest in non-MBA master's degree programs was greatest among Chinese citizens.

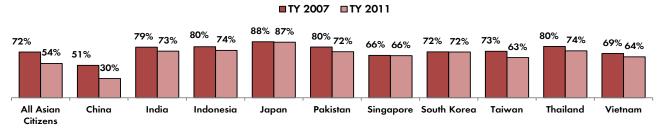


Figure 2c. GMAT® Scores Sent to MBA Programs (%)

² MBA category excludes EMBA programs. For more information please see the Methodology section on page 32.

Asia as a Global Study Destination

Table 1. Top 10 Countries or Regions in Asia to Which All GMAT® Examinees Sent Score Reports TY 2007 to TY 2011								
School Location*	TY 2007	TY 2008	TY 2009	TY 2010	TY 2011	Percentage of All Scores Sent to Asia in TY 2011		
1. India	11,484	17,760	22,446	17,482	17,638	41.08%		
2. Singapore	6,752	10,071	12,243	12,067	11,613	27.05%		
3. Hong Kong (SAR of China)	4,126	5,206	7,113	7,363	9,016	21.00%		
4. China	1,899	2,949	3,528	3,252	2,657	6.19%		
5. Japan	663	819	893	934	726	1.69%		
6. Philippines	677	746	934	629	494	1.15%		
7. Thailand	335	331	425	377	293	0.68%		
8. South Korea	107	149	250	333	248	0.58%		
9. Pakistan	178	181	117	86	102	0.24%		
10. Taiwan	62	82	68	61	65	0.15%		
Total Number of Scores Sent to All Schools in Asia	26,296	38,330	48,038	42,617	42,933	100%		
% of Total Scores Sent Worldwide	4.0%	5.1%	6.0%	5.5%	5.7%	_		

^{*} Countries ranked based on number of scores received in TY 2011.

Management programs in Asia received 42,933 GMAT score reports from prospective students across the globe during TY 2011, an increase of 63 percent or nearly 17,000 score reports when compared with TY 2007 (*Table 1*). Schools in India, Singapore, and Hong Kong collectively received 89 percent of total scores sent into the region in TY 2011

Eight of the top 10 citizenship groups sending score reports to Asian programs in TY 2011 were from the Asian region (*Table 2*). In total, 94 percent of the 42,933 score reports sent to Asian schools were from Asian

Table 2. Top 10 Citizenship Groups Reports to Asia in		AAT [®] Score
Country of Citizenship	Scores Sent	Percentage
1. India	26,275	61.20%
2. China	9,698	22.59%
3. Singapore	1,374	3.20%
4. United States	847	1.97%
5. South Korea	675	1.57%
6. Thailand	475	1.11%
7. Japan	381	0.89%
8. Canada	360	0.84%
9. Indonesia	309	0.72%
10. Taiwan	236	0.55%
Total Scores Sent to Asian Programs in TY2011	42,933	100%

citizens. This demonstrates that the current business school landscape is largely dominated by regional students.

Asian Testing Environment TY 2007-TY 2011

The number of GMAT exams taken by Asian citizens reached an all-time high of 85,551 in TY 2011. In large part, this is due to test taking among Chinese citizens, which grew from 13,048 exams taken in TY 2007 to 40,069 exams taken in TY 2011. Testing and score-sending trends for the top 20 Asian citizenship groups are detailed in *Tables 3* and 4.

GMAT® Exams Taken by Country of Citizenship

Table 3. GMAT [®] Exams Taken by Asian Citizens—Top 20 Citizenship Groups TY 2007 to TY2011									
Country of Citizenship*	TY 2007	TY 2008	TY 2009	TY 2010	TY 2011	Percentage of All TY 2011			
1. China	13,048	17,420	23,550	30,264	40,069	46.84%			
2. India	21,481	28,570	30,633	26,937	25,394	29.68%			
3. South Korea	6,811	7,591	7,045	6,384	5,253	6.14%			
4. Taiwan	5,218	5,173	5,172	3,951	3,449	4.03%			
5. Japan	3,417	2,935	2,938	2,680	2,518	2.94%			
6. Thailand	2,091	2,146	2,280	1,984	1,864	2.18%			
7. Singapore	1,154	1,548	1,454	1,314	1,251	1.46%			
8. Vietnam	516	690	982	1,196	1,216	1.42%			
9. Pakistan	1,084	1,268	1,173	1,154	1,021	1.19%			
10. Indonesia	981	975	892	934	847	0.99%			
11. Malaysia	505	576	615	592	452	0.53%			
12. Nepal	389	544	631	590	512	0.60%			
13. Philippines	458	518	435	383	371	0.43%			
14. Bangladesh	260	275	324	348	416	0.49%			
15. Kazakhstan	213	246	324	275	305	0.36%			
16. Sri Lanka	169	207	195	150	162	0.19%			
17. Uzbekistan	129	124	122	140	129	0.15%			
18. Mongolia	68	76	102	104	113	0.13%			
19. Myanmar	50	52	54	66	47	0.05%			
20. Kyrgyzstan	39	67	56	53	59	0.07%			
Total Number of Exams Taken by Asian Citizens	58,190	71,149	79,096	79,626	85,551	100%			

^{*} Countries ranked based on number of GMAT® exams taken in TY 2011.

GMAT® Score Reports Sent by Country of Citizenship

Table 4. GMAT [®] Score Reports Sent by Asian Citizens—Top 20 Citizenship Groups TY 2007 to TY 2011								
Country of Citizenship*	TY 2007	TY 2008	TY 2009	TY 2010	TY 2011	Percentage of All TY 2011		
1. China	48,664	65,732	85,794	102,543	126,090	43.57%		
2. India	96,217	127,916	134,885	119,181	112,725	38.95%		
3. South Korea	13,194	14,771	13,071	12,497	10,640	3.68%		
4. Taiwan	16,841	15,496	15,769	11,600	9,676	3.34%		
5. Japan	7,230	5,876	5,961	5,246	5,168	1.79%		
6. Thailand	6,617	6,127	6,119	5,103	4,569	1.58%		
7. Singapore	2,880	4,002	3,866	3,520	3,343	1.16%		
8. Vietnam	1,623	2,116	2,964	3,235	3,316	1.15%		
9. Pakistan	3,574	4,175	3,933	3,683	3,238	1.12%		
10. Indonesia	2,954	2,908	2,664	2,748	2,451	0.85%		
11. Malaysia	1,275	1,878	2,141	1,931	1,827	0.63%		
12. Nepal	856	925	1,061	1,154	1,570	0.54%		
13. Philippines	1,495	1,806	1,810	1,744	1,332	0.46%		
14. Bangladesh	1,736	1,938	1,407	1,282	1,258	0.43%		
15. Kazakhstan	565	632	799	537	539	0.19%		
16. Sri Lanka	475	402	401	476	447	0.15%		
17. Uzbekistan	519	606	532	439	383	0.13%		
18. Mongolia	218	199	278	280	295	0.10%		
19. Myanmar	98	211	144	163	179	0.06%		
20. Kyrgyzstan	142	154	124	176	127	0.04%		
Total Number of Scores Sent by Asian Citizens	207,430	258,187	283,982	277,863	289,388	100%		

^{*} Countries ranked based on number of GMAT® score reports sent in TY 2011.

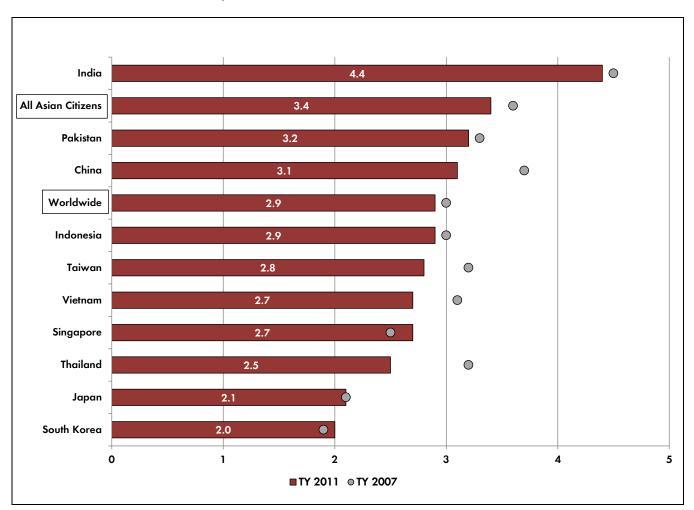


Figure 3. Average Number of GMAT® Score Reports Sent per Exam Taken by Asian Citizens in TY 2007 and TY 2011

Asian citizens sent an average of 3.4 GMAT score reports per exam taken in TY 2011, significantly higher than the global average of 2.9. There were substantial regional differences in score-sending habits, however (Figure 3). For example, Indian citizens sent the highest average number of score reports per exam taken in TY 2011 (4.4) and South Korean citizens sent the lowest (2.0).

Although the average number of score reports sent in TY 2011 varied by citizenship group, the most common behavior of most regional examinees was to send either five score reports or just one.

Regional Score-Sending Patterns

The remainder of this report details GMAT score-sending patterns for all Asian citizens, who collectively sent a total of 289,388 score reports in TY2011, and provides breakdowns for 10 of the region's largest citizenship groups:

- Chinese (126,090 score reports sent in TY 2011)
- Indian (112,725)
- Indonesian (2,451)
- Japanese (5,168)
- Pakistani (3,238)

- Singaporean (3,343)
- South Korean (10,640)
- Taiwanese (9,676)
- Thai (4,569)
- Vietnamese (3,316)

A comprehensive list of the countries that make up the Asian region is available in Appendix A. Figure 4 displays the distribution of total GMAT score reports that Asians sent in TY 2011 by country of citizenship.

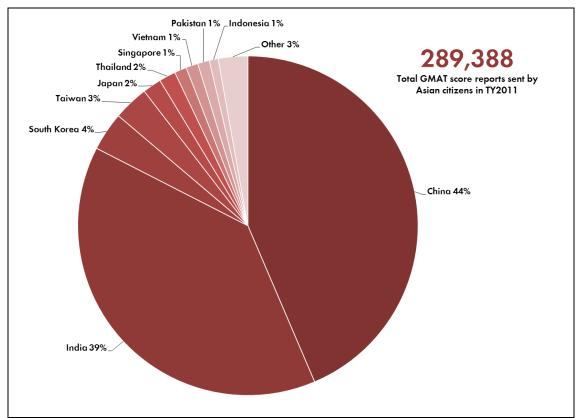
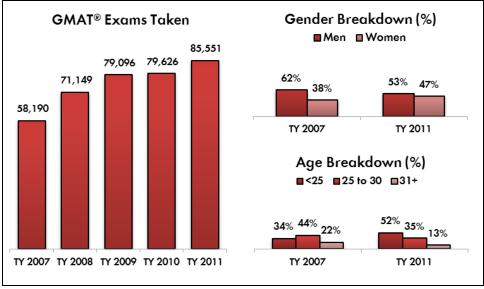


Figure 4. Distribution of GMAT® Score Reports Sent by Asian Citizens in TY 2011

All Asian Citizens

The number of GMAT exams taken by Asian citizens has increased each year since TY 2007 and reached a record high of 85,551 in TY 2011. Over this time the proportion of women taking the exam grew significantly, from 38 percent to 47 percent. The proportion of exams taken by those younger than 25 also increased from 34 percent of the student pipeline in TY 2007 to 52 percent of the pipeline by TY 2011 (Figure 5). These shifts have largely been driven Chinese bv





examinees, who represented nearly half (47%) of all GMAT exams taken by Asian citizens in TY 2011.

Although Asian citizens sent a lower proportion of their score reports to schools in the United States in TY 2011 than they did in TY 2007 (69% vs. 74%), they still sent a greater total number of scores to US programs due to overall testing growth. Programs in several Western European countries, as well as regional opportunities in India, Singapore, and Hong Kong, all experienced growing market share from Asian examinees over the five-year period (*Table 5*).

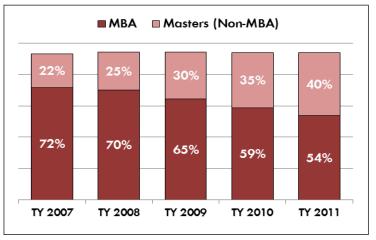
Table 5. Top 10 Countries or Regions to Which Asian Citizens Sent Score Reports									
TY 20 All Asian			TY 2011 All Asian Citizens						
Country/Region	Scores Sent	Percentage	Country/Region	Scores Sent	Percentage				
1. United States	152,735	73.63%	1. United States	199,089	68.80%				
2. India	11,341	5.47%	2. United Kingdom	19,077	6.59%				
3. United Kingdom	11,206	5.40%	3. India	17,401	6.01%				
4. Canada	7,036	3.39%	4. Singapore	11,209	3.87%				
5. Singapore	6,525	3.15%	5. Canada	11,017	3.81%				
6. France	5,928	2.86%	6. France	9,913	3.43%				
7. Hong Kong (SAR of China)	3,642	1.76%	7. Hong Kong (SAR of China)	8,021	2.77%				
8. Australia	1,864	0.90%	8. China	2,1 <i>57</i>	0.75%				
9. China	1,588	0.77%	9. Netherlands	1,932	0.67%				
10. Switzerland	969	0.47%	10. Spain	1,915	0.66%				
Total Scores Sent	207,430	100%	Total Scores Sent	289,388	100%				

^{*} Based on number of scores received. Average score reports sent per examinee: 3.6 in TY 2007 and 3.4 in TY 2011.

Again led by Chinese trends, the share of score reports that Asian examinees sent to MBA programs fell from 72 percent in TY 2007 to 54 percent in TY 2011 (Figure 6). Interest in non-MBA master's programs has largely been driven by a growing segment of younger GMAT examinees.

Study opportunities in the United States were the primary score-sending destinations for all Asian examinee segments reported in *Table 6*. Female examinees and those younger than 25 were most likely to send score reports to US programs. Indian schools were the second most preferred study destination for men and examinees older than 25. This reflects the

Figure 6. GMAT[®] Score Reports Sent by Program Type:
All Asian Citizens



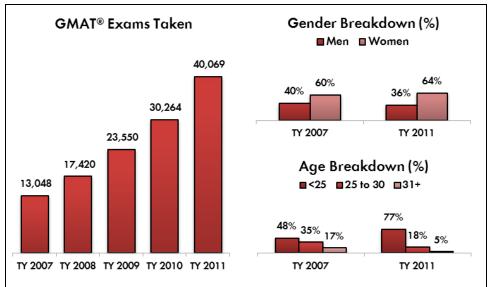
demographic makeup of the Indian student pipeline, which has a large number of men and older examinees.

Table 6. TY 2011 Detailed GMAT® Examinee Characteristics for All Asian Citizens										
Examinee Characteristics	Exams Taken	Mean Total Score	Score Reports Sent	Average # of Score Reports Sent Per Exam Taken	Top Destinations					
Total	85,551 (100%)	576	289,388 (100%)	3.4	1. United States 69% 2. United Kingdom 7% 3. India 6%					
		Ger	nder Breakdown							
Women	40,219 (47%)	573	128,421 (44%)	3.2	1. United States 75% 2. United Kingdom 6% 3. Canada 4%					
Men	45,332 (53%)	580	160,967 (56%)	3.6	1. United States 64% 2. India 9% 3. United Kingdom 7%					
		Α	ge Breakdown							
Younger than 25	44,818 (52%)	579	150,402 (52%)	3.4	1 . United States 76% 2 . United Kingdom 6% 3 . Canada 4%					
25 to 30	29,909 (35%)	578	107,132 (37%)	3.6	1. United States 61% 2. India 9% 3. United Kingdom 7%					
31 and older	10,824 (13%)	561	31,854 (11%)	2.9	1. United States 61% 2. India 11% 3. United Kingdom 7%					

Chinese Citizens

GMAT testing among Chinese citizens has grown by more than 200 percent since TY 2007 and reached an all-time high of 40,069 exams taken in TY 2011. Women took 64 percent of these exams, which marks one of the highest female participation rates in the world (Figure 7). The proportion of exams taken by Chinese citizens younger than 25 increased substantially as well, from 48 percent in TY 2007 to 77 percent in TY 2011.





Chinese citizens were the

only Asian citizenship group studied who sent a greater share of their score reports to US programs in TY 2011 than they did in TY 2007 (*Table 7*). Growing interest in the United States was balanced by moderate declines in market share for schools in Hong Kong, Canada, and the United Kingdom. Despite proportional declines, however, these destinations still received a greater number of total score reports from Chinese citizens in TY 2011 due to the substantial growth in overall testing noted above.

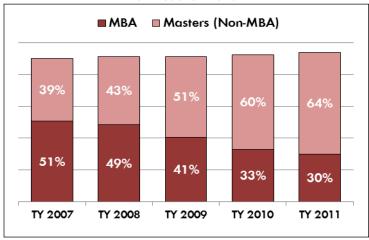
Table 7. Top 10 Countries or Regions to Which Chinese Citizens Sent Score Reports								
TY 2	007	J	TY 2011					
Chinese	Citizens		Chinese C	Citizens				
Country/Region	Scores Sent	Percentage	Country/Region	Scores Sent	Percentage			
1. United States	36,418	74.84%	1. United States	100,463	79.68%			
2. Hong Kong (SAR of China)	3,159	6.49%	2. Hong Kong (SAR of China)	6,611	5.24%			
3. Canada	2,887	5.93%	3. Canada	4,972	3.94%			
4. United Kingdom	2,018	4.15%	4. United Kingdom	4,830	3.83%			
5. France	1,458	3.00%	5. France	3,045	2.41%			
6. China	1,188	2.44%	6. Singapore	1,505	1.19%			
7. Singapore	674	1.39%	7. China	1,391	1.10%			
8. Australia	148	0.30%	8. Netherlands	952	0.76%			
9. Netherlands	117	0.24%	9. Australia	802	0.64%			
10. Norway	79	0.16%	10. Germany	250	0.20%			
Total Scores Sent	48,664	100%	Total Scores Sent	126,090	100%			

^{*} Based on number of scores received. Average score reports sent per examinee: 3.7 in TY 2007 and 3.1 in TY 2011.

Growth in the Chinese student pipeline has largely been driven by younger examinees who are interested in specialized master's programs overseas. This interest lowered the share of score reports that Chinese examinees sent to MBA programs from 51 percent in TY 2007 to 30 percent in TY 2011 (*Figure 8*). Due to the increased number of prospective students, however, the absolute number of scores sent by Chinese citizens to MBA programs actually grew by 52 percent over the five-year period.

Score-sending preferences of Chinese men and women were nearly identical in TY 2011 (*Table 8*). In addition, men and women examinees recorded the same mean total GMAT score

Figure 8. GMAT[®] Score Reports Sent by Program Type: Chinese Citizens



during the testing year. Examinees younger than 25 sent 82 percent of their score reports to the United States, which was significantly higher than the proportion sent by Chinese examinees 25 and older, who sent about 70 percent of their scores to US programs.

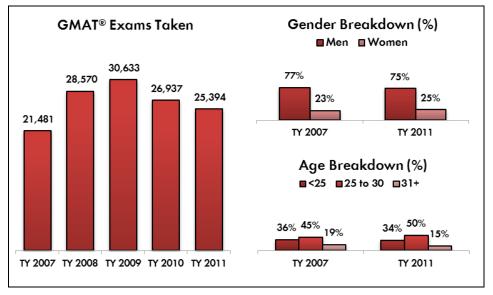
Table	Table 8. TY 2011 Detailed Examinee Characteristics for Chinese Citizens									
Examinee Characteristics	Exams Taken	Mean Total Score	Score Reports Sent	Average # of Score Reports Sent Per Exam Taken	Top Destinations					
Total	40,069 (100%)	592	126,090 (100%)	3.1	1. United States 80% 2. Hong Kong 5% 3. Canada 4%					
		Gender	· Breakdown							
Women	25,671 (64%)	592	81,489 (65%)	3.2	1 . United States 80% 2 . Hong Kong 5% 3 . Canada 4%					
Men	14,398 (36%)	592	44,601 (35%)	3.1	1. United States 79% 2. Hong Kong 6% 3. Canada 4%					
		Age E	Breakdown							
Younger than 25	30,854 (<i>77</i> %)	593	97,497 (77%)	3.2	1. United States 82% 2. Hong Kong 4% 3. United Kingdom 4%					
25 to 30	7,407 (18%)	591	23,264 (18%)	3.1	1. United States 72% 2. Hong Kong 9% 3. Canada 5%					
31 and older	1,808 (5%)	584	5,329 (4%)	2.9	1. United States 69% 2. Hong Kong 9% 3. Canada 7%					

Indian Citizens

Indian citizens sat for 25,394 GMAT exams in TY 2011, an 18 percent increase when compared with TY 2007 (Figure 9). Although lower than the TY 2009 peak, GMAT testing in India has now stabilized and showed new signs of growth during the second half of TY 2011.

The proportion of GMAT exams taken by Indian women grew slightly between TY 2007 and TY 2011, but remains the second lowest level of

Figure 9. GMAT® Exam Trends by Citizenship: India



female participation in the region. The age distribution of Indian examinees was relatively similar in both years studied.

The proportion of score reports that Indian citizens sent to US management programs fell from 67 percent in TY 2007 to 55 percent in TY 2011 (*Table 9*). During this time, there was growing interest for regional programs in India, Singapore, and Hong Kong. Outside of the region, opportunities in the United Kingdom, France, Canada, and Spain also attracted more score reports from Indian examinees.

Table 9. Top 10 Countries or Regions to Which Indian Citizens Sent Score Reports									
TY	2007	_	TY 2011						
Indian	Citizens		Indian Ci	tizens					
Country/Region	Scores Sent	Percentage	Country/Region	Scores Sent	Percentage				
1. United States	64,728	67.27%	1. United States	61,620	54.66%				
2. India	11,290	11.73%	2. India	1 <i>7</i> ,252	15.30%				
3. United Kingdom	6,253	6.50%	3. United Kingdom	10,773	9.56%				
4. Singapore	3,808	3.96%	4. Singapore	7,393	6.56%				
5. France	3,178	3.30%	5. France	5,227	4.64%				
6. Canada	2,744	2.85%	6. Canada	4,267	3.79%				
7. Australia	1,236	1.28%	7. Spain	1,339	1.19%				
8. Switzerland	701	0.73%	8. Hong Kong (SAR of China)	971	0.86%				
9. Philippines	629	0.65%	9. Switzerland	659	0.58%				
10. Spain	499	0.52%	10. Australia	655	0.58%				
Total Scores Sent	96,217	100%	Total Scores Sent	112,725	100%				

^{*} Based on number of scores received. Average score reports sent per examinee: 4.5 in TY 2007 and 4.4 in TY 2011.

Indian examinees sent 73 percent of their score reports to MBA degree programs in TY 2011 (*Figure 10*). Although there has been a gradual decline in this level since TY 2007, it remains high by regional and global standards.

Indian women were more likely than Indian men to send their score reports to programs in the United States in TY 2011 (61% vs. 53%), while Indian men expressed greater interest in domestic programs (16% vs. 12%). Unlike many citizenship groups, study destination preferences among the various age groups of Indian examinees were relatively similar (*Table 10*).

Figure 10. GMAT® Score Reports Sent by Program Type:
Indian Citizens

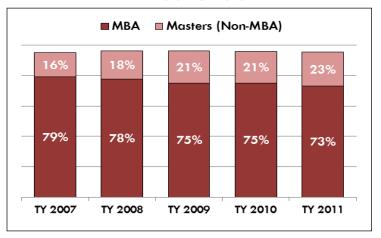


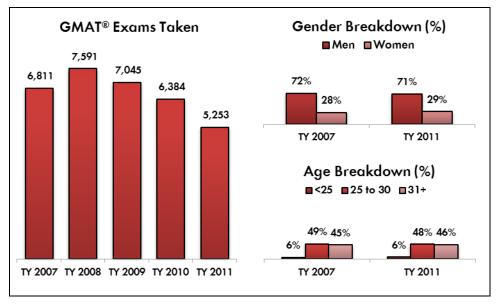
Table 10. TY 2011 Detailed Examinee Characteristics for Indian Citizens									
Examinee Characteristics	Exams Taken	Mean Total Score	Score Reports Sent	Average # of Score Reports Sent Per Exam Taken	Top Destinations				
Total	25,394 (100%)	581	112,725 (100%)	4.4	1. United States 55% 2. India 15% 3. United Kingdom 10%				
		Ger	nder Breakdown						
Women	6,257 (25%)	558	26,310 (23%)	4.2	1. United States 61% 2. India 12% 3. United Kingdom 10%				
Men	19,137 (75%)	589	86,415 (77%)	4.5	1. United States 53% 2. India 16% 3. United Kingdom 9%				
		Ą	ge Breakdown						
Younger than 25	8,681 (34%)	564	38,916 (23%)	4.5	1. United States 59% 2. India 11% 3. United Kingdom 10%				
25 to 30	12,796 (50%)	595	58,429 (52%)	4.6	1. United States 52% 2. India 16% 3. United Kingdom 9%				
31 and older	3,91 <i>7</i> (1 <i>5</i> %)	572	15,380 (14%)	3.9	1. United States 53% 2. India 23% 3. United Kingdom 8%				

South Korean Citizens

The number of GMAT exams taken by South Korean citizens hit a fiveyear low of 5,253 in TY 2011. Part of this decline may be due to recent decreases in the country's student-age population. Demographic characteristics among South Korean **GMAT** examinees mained similar over the five-year period studied (Figure 11).

The United States was the top score-sending destination for South Koreans in TY 2011, but the pro-

Figure 11. GMAT® Exam Trends by Citizenship: South Korea



portion of score reports sent to US programs decreased from 90 percent to 82 percent over the five-year period (*Table 11*). This decline in market share for US schools was balanced by growing interest in study opportunities in the United Kingdom, France, and China. Domestic programs were the sixth most preferred destination in both years.

Table 11. Top 10 Countries or Regions to Which South Korean Citizens Sent Score Reports									
TY 20			TY 2011						
South Korea	n Citizens		South Korea	n Citizens					
Country/Region	Scores Sent	Percentage	Country/Region	Scores Sent	Percentage				
1. United States	11,908	90.25%	1. United States	8,707	81.83%				
2. United Kingdom	415	3.15%	2. United Kingdom	539	5.07%				
3. France	276	2.09%	3. France	336	3.16%				
4. China	151	1.14%	4. China	277	2.60%				
5. Canada	132	1.00%	5. Canada	150	1.41%				
6. South Korea	74	0.56%	6. South Korea	133	1.25%				
7. Switzerland	43	0.33%	7. Hong Kong (SAR of China)	119	1.12%				
8. Spain	38	0.29%	8. Singapore	94	0.88%				
9. Hong Kong (SAR of China)	36	0.27%	9. Spain	64	0.60%				
9. Singapore	36	0.27%	10. Switzerland	45	0.42%				
Total Scores Sent	13,194	100%	Total Scores Sent	10,640	100%				

^{*} Based on number of scores received. Average score reports sent per examinee: 1.9 in TY 2007 and 2.0 in TY 2011.

The share of score reports that South Korean citizens sent to MBA programs has stayed around 70 percent for each of the last five years. This high and persistent level of MBA interest likely reflects the country's prospective student pipeline, which remains the oldest in the region (Figure 12).

The United States and the United Kingdom were the top two score-sending destinations for all Korean examinee subgroups presented in *Table 12* during TY 2011. China appeared as the third ranked destination for South Korean men and examinees 31 and older.

Figure 12. GMAT® Score Reports Sent by Program Type:
South Korean Citizens

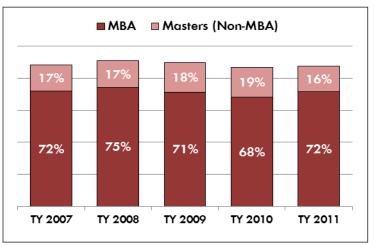


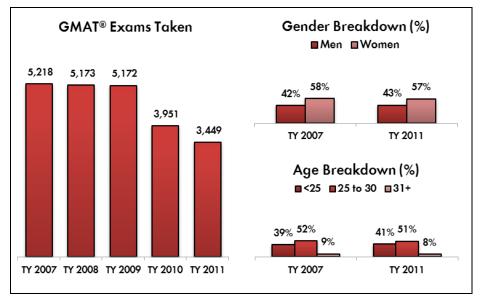
Table 12. TY 2011 Detailed Examinee Characteristics for South Korean Citizens										
Examinee Characteristics	Exams Taken	Mean Total Score	Score Reports Sent	Average # of Score Reports Sent Per Exam Taken	Top Destinations					
Total	5,253 (100%)	579	10,640 (100%)	2.0	1. United States 82% 2. United Kingdom 5% 3. France 3%					
		Ge	nder Breakdown							
Women	1,540 (29%)	573	2,895 (27%)	1.9	1. United States 81% 2. United Kingdom 6% 3. France 4%					
Men	3,713 (71%)	582	7,745 (73%)	2.1	1. United States 82% 2. United Kingdom 5% 3. China/France 3%					
		A	ge Breakdown							
Younger than 25	341 (6%)	581	652 (6%)	1.9	1. United States 85% 2. United Kingdom 6% 3. France 2%					
25 to 30	2,498 (48%)	582	4,971 (47%)	2.0	1. United States 84% 2. United Kingdom 5% 3. France 3%					
31 and older	2,414 (46%)	576	5,017 (47%)	2.1	1. United States 79% 2. United Kingdom 5% 3. China 4%					

Taiwanese Citizens

Taiwanese citizens sat for a total of 3,449 GMAT exams in TY 2011, below levels experienced in each of the four prior years. With the majority (57%) of exams taken by women, Taiwanese citizens have one of the highest female participation rates in the region. Overall, the demographic characteristics of Taiwanese citizens were similar in both TY 2007 and TY 2011 (Figure 13).

The impact of the recent decline in testing has been magnified by a drop in the average number of score

Figure 13. GMAT® Exam Trends by Citizenship: Taiwan



reports sent by Taiwanese examinees, from 3.2 in TY 2007 to 2.8 in TY 2011. This resulted in a 43 percent drop in the number of score reports sent by Taiwanese citizens to global business schools over the five-year period. Much of this decline was absorbed by US schools, which experienced a drop in market share from 93 percent to 88 percent. Meanwhile, schools in France, Spain, Hong Kong, China, and Switzerland actually received more score reports in TY 2011 from Taiwanese examinees than they did in TY 2007 (*Table 13*).

Table 13. Top 10 Countries or Regions to Which Taiwanese Citizens Sent Score Reports										
TY 200)7		TY 2011							
Taiwanese (Citizens		Taiwanese C	itizens						
	Scores			Scores						
Country/Region	Sent	Percentage	Country/Region	Sent	Percentage					
1. United States	15,644	92.89%	1. United States	8,493	87.77%					
2. United Kingdom	407	2.42%	2. United Kingdom	383	3.96%					
3. France	1 <i>57</i>	0.93%	3. France	198	2.05%					
4. Canada	151	0.90%	4. Canada	118	1.22%					
5. Netherlands	137	0.81%	5. Spain	92	0.95%					
6. Spain	70	0.42%	6. Hong Kong (SAR of China)	81	0.84%					
7. China	56	0.33%	7. China	74	0.76%					
8. Japan	48	0.29%	8. Netherlands	67	0.69%					
9. Hong Kong (SAR of China)	46	0.27%	9. Singapore	36	0.37%					
10. Taiwan	31	0.18%	10. Switzerland	30	0.31%					
Total Scores Sent	16,841	100%	Total Scores Sent	9,676	100%					

^{*} Based on number of scores received. Average score reports sent per examinee: 3.2 in TY 2007 and 2.8 in TY 2011.

The share of GMAT score reports that Taiwanese examinees sent to MBA programs declined from 73 percent in TY 2007 to 63 percent in TY 2011 (*Figure 14*). During this time, the share of scores directed to non-MBA master's programs grew from 21 percent to 32 percent.

There were only minimal score-sending differences between Taiwanese men and women in TY 2011, with men slightly more likely to send score reports to the United States (*Table 14*). Older examinees were less likely to send their scores to US programs.

Figure 14. GMAT® Score Reports Sent by Program Type:
Taiwanese Citizens

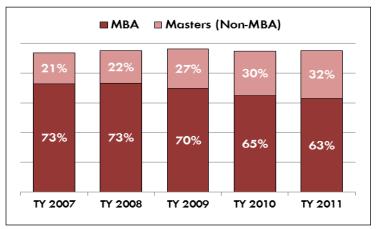


Table 14. TY 2011 Detailed Examinee Characteristics for Taiwanese Citizens								
Examinee Characteristics	Exams Taken	Mean Total Score	Score Reports Sent	Average # of Score Reports Sent Per Exam Taken	Top Destinations			
Total	3,449 (100%)	538	9,676 (100%)	2.8	1. United States 88% 2. United Kingdom 4% 3. France 2%			
		Gender	Breakdown					
Women	1,982 (57%)	533	5,782 (60%)	2.9	1. United States 87% 2. United Kingdom 4% 3. France 3%			
Men	1,467 (43%)	544	3,894 (40%)	2.7	1. United States 89% 2. United Kingdom 4% 3. France 1%			
		Age Bı	reakdown					
Younger than 25	1,41 <i>7</i> (41%)	540	3,828 (40%)	2.7	1. United States 92% 2. United Kingdom 4% 3. France 2%			
25 to 30	1,757 (51%)	537	5,138 (53%)	2.9	1. United States 86% 2. United Kingdom 4% 3. France 2%			
31 and older	275 (8%)	530	710 (7%)	2.6	1. United States 79% 2. United Kingdom 7% 3. Canada 4%			

Japanese Citizens

The number of GMAT exams taken by Japanese citizens has declined gradually since TY 2007. Similar to South Korea, some of this decrease is likely due to Japan's shrinking student-age population. Demographic characteristics of Japanese examinees were steady between TY 2007 and ΤY 2011 (Figure *15*). Compared to regional averages, the Japanese pipeline is older and has a lower proportion female examinees.

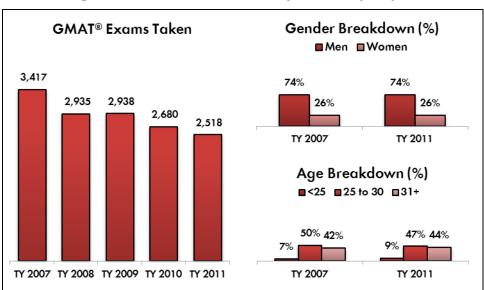


Figure 15. GMAT® Exam Trends by Citizenship: Japan

Although the United States remains the top study destination, the proportion of score reports that Japanese examinees sent to US programs fell from 78 percent in TY 2007 to 72 percent in TY 2011 (*Table 15*). This decline was balanced by an increasing share of score reports sent to programs in Western Europe (United Kingdom, France, Spain, and Switzerland) and Asia (Japan, Singapore, Hong Kong, and China).

Table 15. Top 10 Countries/Regions to Which Japanese Citizens Sent Score Reports									
TY 20	007		TY 2011						
Japanese	Citizens		Japanese (Citizens					
Country/Region	Scores Sent	Percentage	Country/Region	Scores Sent	Percentage				
1. United States	5,615	77.66%	1. United States	3,736	72.29%				
2. United Kingdom	534	7.39%	2. United Kingdom	453	8.77%				
3. France	341	4.72%	3. France	262	5.07%				
4. Japan	194	2.68%	4. Japan	143	2.77%				
5. Canada	114	1.58%	5. Spain	124	2.40%				
6. Spain	96	1.33%	6. Singapore	101	1.95%				
7. Netherlands	65	0.90%	7. Hong Kong (SAR of China)	74	1.43%				
8. Switzerland	59	0.82%	8. Canada	72	1.39%				
9. Singapore	52	0.72%	9. China	56	1.08%				
10. Hong Kong (SAR of China)	38	0.53%	10. Switzerland	47	0.91%				
Total Scores Sent	7,230	100%	Total Scores Sent	5,168	100%				

^{*} Based on number of scores received. Average score reports sent per examinee: 2.1 in TY 2007 and 2.1 in TY 2011.

Since TY 2007, Japanese citizens have sent a large share of their score reports to MBA programs. This level of interest, which ranged between 86 percent and 88 percent over the period, is the highest among all citizenship groups in this report (*Figure 16*).

Japanese men were slightly more likely than women to send GMAT score reports to US programs in TY 2011 (73% vs. 71%). Men also sent a higher number of score reports per exam taken. Examinees younger than 25 were most likely to send score reports to domestic programs, sending 17 percent of their scores to study opportunities in Japan.

Figure 16. GMAT[®] Score Reports Sent by Program Type:
Japanese Citizens

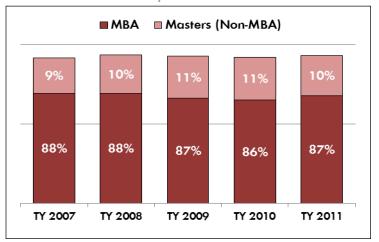


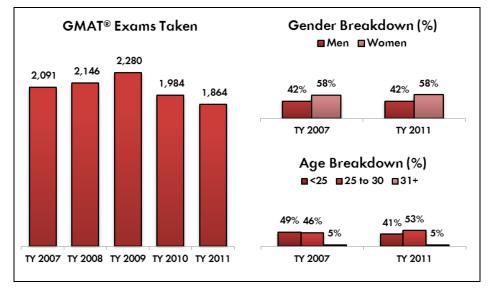
Table 16. TY 2011 Detailed Examinee Characteristics for Japanese Citizens									
Examinee Characteristics	Exams Taken	Mean Total Score	Score Reports Sent	Average # of Score Reports Sent Per Exam Taken	Top Destinations				
Total	2,518 (100%)	541	5,168 (100%)	2.1	1. United States 72% 2. United Kingdom 9% 3. France 5%				
			Gender Breakdowr	1					
Women	645 (26%)	508	1,147 (22%)	1.8	1. United States 71% 2. United Kingdom 11% 3. France 7%				
Men	1,873 (74%)	553	4,021 (78%)	2.1	1. United States 73% 2. United Kingdom 8% 3. France 5%				
			Age Breakdown						
Younger than 25	227 (9%)	492	358 (7%)	1.6	1. United States 76% 2. Japan 17% 3. United Kingdom 2%				
25 to 30	1,190 (47%)	556	2,670 (52%)	2.2	1. United States 78% 2. United Kingdom 7% 3. France 5%				
31 and older	1,101 (44%)	536	2,140 (41%)	1.9	1. United States 65% 2. United Kingdom 12% 3. France 6%				

Thai Citizens

Citizens of Thailand sat for 1,864 GMAT exams in TY 2011, a decrease of 11 percent compared with TY 2007. The proportion of women taking the GMAT exam (58%) has not changed and represents one of the highest female participation rates in the region (Figure 7). The proportion of exams taken by those aged 25 to 30 grew to 53 percent over the five-year period.

The share of score reports sent to US management programs declined from 87 percent in TY 2007 to 75

Figure 17. GMAT® Exams Taken by Trends by Citizenship: Thailand



percent in TY 2011. Domestic programs were the third most preferred study destination in TY 2011 behind the United States and the United Kingdom. British programs experienced the largest growth in interest among Thai citizens over the period (*Table 17*).

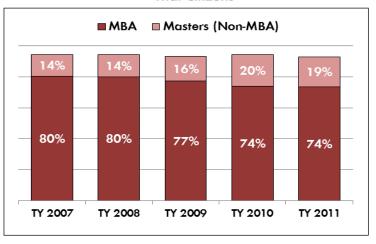
Table 17.	Table 17. Top 10 Countries/Regions to Which Thai Citizens Sent Score Reports								
TY	2007		TY 2011						
Thai	Citizens		Thai Citi	zens					
Country/Region	Scores Sent	Percentage	Country/Region	Scores Sent	Percentage				
1. United States	5,779	87.34%	1. United States	3,431	75.09%				
2. Thailand	284	4.29%	2. United Kingdom	420	9.19%				
3. United Kingdom	216	3.26%	3. Thailand	238	5.21%				
4. Canada	57	0.86%	4. China	80	1.75%				
5. France	46	0.70%	5. Japan	68	1.49%				
6. Australia	45	0.68%	6. Canada	67	1.47%				
7. Netherlands	33	0.50%	7. France	64	1.40%				
8. Japan	31	0.47%	8. Singapore	49	1.07%				
9. China	28	0.42%	9. Netherlands	37	0.81%				
10. Singapore	26	0.39%	10. Hong Kong (SAR of China)	29	0.63%				
Total Scores Sent	6,617	100%	Total Scores Sent	4,569	100%				

^{*} Based on number of scores received. Average score reports sent per examinee: 3.2 in TY 2007 and 2.5 in TY 2011.

MBA degrees remained the preferred study option for a majority of Thai examinees in TY 2011. The proportion of score reports sent to MBA programs, however, declined slightly from 80 percent in TY 2007 to 74 percent in TY 2011 (*Figure 18*).

The United States was the primary scoresending destination for all Thai subgroups in TY 2011 (*Table 18*). Thai men showed slightly more interest in US programs and sent a greater number of score reports per exam taken when compared with Thai women. Younger examinees were less likely than older examinees to send their score reports to the United States, instead showing greater interest in their second preferred destination, the United Kingdom.

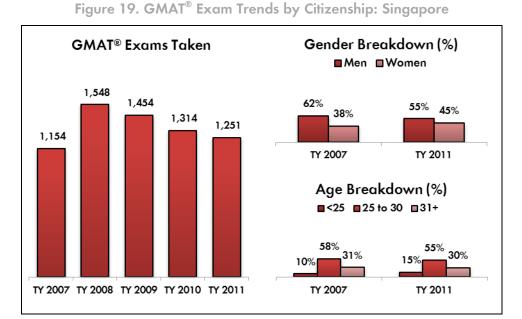
Figure 18. GMAT[®] Score Reports Sent by Program Type:
Thai Citizens



To	Table 18. TY 2011 Detailed Examinee Characteristics for Thai Citizens									
Examinee Characteristics	Exams Taken	Mean Total Score	Score Reports Sent	Average # of Score Reports Sent Per Exam Taken	Top Destinations					
Total	1,864 (100%)	495	4,569 (100%)	2.5	1. United States 75% 2. United Kingdom 9% 3. Thailand 5%					
		Gen	der Breakdown							
Women	1,079 (58%)	478	2,475 (54%)	2.3	1. United States 73% 2. United Kingdom 10% 3. Thailand 5%					
Men	785 (42%)	519	2,094 (46%)	2.7	1. United States 78% 2. United Kingdom 8% 3. Thailand 5%					
		Ag	e Breakdown							
Younger than 25	<i>77</i> 1 (41%)	500	1,730 (38%)	2.2	1. United States 70% 2. United Kingdom 13% 3. Thailand 5%					
25 to 30	994 (53%)	496	2,659 (58%)	2.7	1. United States 77% 2. United Kingdom 7% 3. Thailand 5%					
31 and older	99 (5%)	447	180 (4%)	1.8	1. United States 88% 2. Thailand 3% 3. India 3%					

Singaporean Citizens

GMAT testing by Singaporean citizens fell slightly in TY 2011, but remains 8 percent higher than it was in TY 2007. period, Over this the of proportion women taking the exam grew from 38 percent to 45 percent. Singaporean examinees tend to be older than their regional peers and recorded the greatest share taken of exams by individuals in the 25 to 30 age range during TY 2011 (Figure 19).



Singaporeans were the

only testing group in this report whose primary score-sending destinations were domestic (*Table 19*). In TY 2011, 38 percent of score reports were sent to management programs in Singapore, down slightly from 43 percent in TY 2007. A growing interest for programs in the United Kingdom has been largely responsible for this proportional shift.

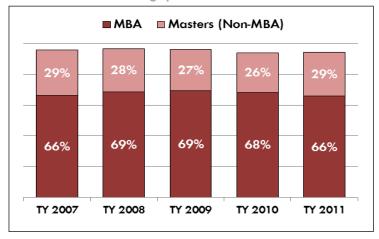
Table 19. Top 10 Countries/Regions to Which Citizens from Singapore Sent Score Reports									
TY 20			TY 2011						
Singaporea	n Citizens		Singaporea	ın Citizens					
Country/Region	Scores Sent	Percentage	Country/Region	Scores Sent	Percentage				
1. Singapore	1,230	42.71%	1. Singapore	1,272	38.05%				
2. United States	1,103	38.30%	2. United States	1,145	34.25%				
3. France	179	6.22%	3. United Kingdom	352	10.53%				
4. United Kingdom	162	5.63%	4. France	282	8.44%				
5. Australia	48	1.67%	5. China	44	1.32%				
6. Switzerland	26	0.90%	6. Australia	43	1.29%				
7. Hong Kong (SAR of China)	25	0.87%	7. Hong Kong (SAR of China)	40	1.20%				
8. Canada	23	0.80%	8. Switzerland	39	1.17%				
9. China	20	0.69%	9. Canada	38	1.14%				
10. Spain	18	0.63%	10. Spain	29	0.87%				
Total Scores Sent	2,880	100%	Total Scores Sent	3,343	100%				

^{*} Based on number of scores received. Average score reports sent per examinee: 2.5 in TY 2007 and 2.7 in TY 2011.

Singaporean test takers have demonstrated steady interest in MBA and non-MBA master's programs since TY 2007. They directed two-thirds of their GMAT score reports in TY 2011 to MBA programs and 29 percent to other master-level programs, exactly the same levels recorded in TY 2007 (Figure 20).

There were significant differences in scoresending destinations between Singaporean men and women in TY 2011 (*Table 20*). Women sent 38 percent of their score reports to the United States, their primary study destination; whereas men preferred programs in Singapore and sent 44 percent of their score reports to domestic schools. Younger examinees expressed greater

Figure 20. GMAT[®] Score Reports Sent by Program Type: Singaporean Citizens

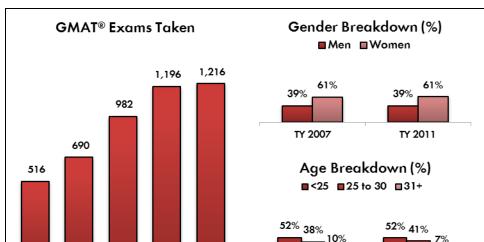


interest in US study destinations, while older examinees preferred domestic options.

Table	Table 20. TY 2011 Detailed Examinee Characteristics for Singaporean Citizens									
Examinee Characteristics	Exams Taken	Mean Total Score	Score Reports Sent	Average # of Score Reports Sent Per Exam Taken	Top Destinations					
Total	1,251 (100%)	593	3,343 (100%)	2.7	 Singapore 38% United States 34% United Kingdom 11% 					
		Gen	der Breakdown							
Women	564 (45%)	587	1,507 (45%)	2.7	 United States 38% Singapore 31% United Kingdom 12% 					
Men	687 (55%)	597	1,836 (55%)	2.7	 Singapore 44% United States 31% United Kingdom 9% 					
		Ą	ge Breakdown							
Younger than 25	188 (15%)	609	491 (15%)	2.6	 United States 45% Singapore 23% United Kingdom 15% 					
25 to 30	683 (55%)	605	1,903 (57%)	2.8	 Singapore 39% United States 34% United Kingdom 10% 					
31 and Older	380 (30%)	562	949 (28%)	2.5	 Singapore 44% United States 29% France 9% 					

Vietnamese Citizens

In TY 2011, the number of GMAT exams taken Vietnamese citizens reached an all-time high 1,216, more than double the levels seen in 2007 (Figure 21). During this growth cycle, the demographic profile of prospective students was remarkably constant. Vietnamese examinees have the second highest rate of female participation in the Asia region (61% in TY 2011 for Vietnam vs. China). 64% in proportion of examinees



TY 2007

TY 2011

Figure 21. GMAT® Exam Trends by Citizenship: Vietnam

younger than 25 (52%) is also the second highest in the region, after China (77%).

Due to substantial testing growth, each of the top 10 score-sending destinations for Vietnamese citizens received more scores in TY 2011 than in TY 2007 (*Table 21*). During this period, however, the proportion of scores sent to the United States fell from 87 percent to 81 percent. This shift in market share was balanced by growing interest in Canada and France. Domestic study opportunities in Vietnam were also reflected in the top 10 destination list for the first time in TY 2011.

TY 2007 TY 2008 TY 2009 TY 2010 TY 2011

Table 21. Top 10 Countries/Regions to Which Vietnamese Citizens Sent Score Reports										
	TY 2007			TY 2011						
Vietno	ımese Citizens		Vietno	ımese Citizens						
Country/Region	Scores Sent	Percentage	Country/Region	Scores Sent	Percentage					
1. United States	1,415	87.18%	1. United States	2,695	81.27%					
2. Singapore	61	3.76%	2. Canada	120	3.62%					
3. United Kingdom	43	2.65%	3. United Kingdom	86	2.59%					
4. Canada	27	1.66%	4. Singapore	83	2.50%					
5. Netherlands	19	1.17%	5. France	80	2.41%					
6. Japan	15	0.92%	6. Netherlands	56	1.69%					
7. Australia	14	0.86%	7. Vietnam	42	1.27%					
8. Belgium	8	0.49%	8. Australia	34	1.03%					
9. Germany	5	0.31%	9. Finland	25	0.75%					
9. Switzerland	5	0.31%	10. Japan	21	0.63%					
Total Scores Sent	1,623	100%	Total Scores Sent	3,316	100%					

^{*} Based on number of scores received. Average score reports sent per examinee: 3.1 in TY 2007 and 2.7 in TY 2011.

The proportion of GMAT score reports that Vietnamese citizens sent to MBA programs fell to 64 percent in TY 2011 as a greater share of examinees explored non-MBA master's program options (*Figure 22*).

Vietnamese men were more likely than women to direct score reports to US programs (85% vs. 79%). They also sent a greater number of score reports per exam taken in TY 2011. (*Table 22*). For examinees 31 and older, domestic programs were the third most preferred destination after the United States and Canada.

Figure 22. GMAT® Score Reports Sent by Program Type: Vietnamese Citizens

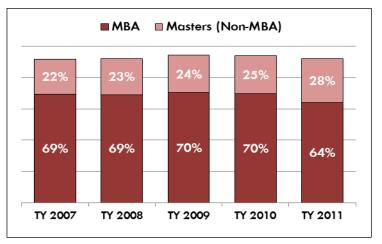
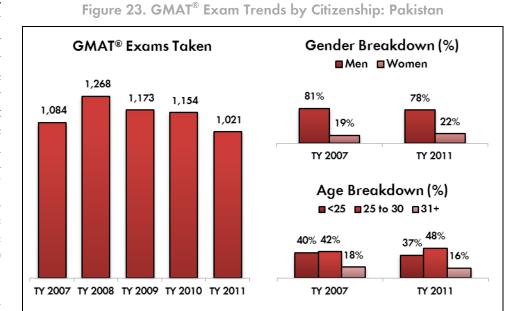


Table 2 Examinee Characteristics	2. TY 2011 De Exams Taken	tailed Examin Mean Total Score	ee Characteristic Score Reports Sent	cs for Vietnamese Average # of Score Reports Sent Per Exam Taken	Citizens Top Destinations
Total	1,216 (100%)	518	3,316 (100%)	2.7	1. United States 81% 2. Canada 4% 3. United Kingdom 3%
		Gende	er Breakdown		
Women	741 (61%)	513	2,016 (61%)	2.5	1. United States 79% 2. Canada 3% 3. France 3%
Men	475 (39%)	527	1,300 (39%)	2.9	1. United States 85% 2. Canada 4% 3. Singapore 3%
		Age	Breakdown		
Younger than 25	629 (52%)	535	1,415 (44%)	2.2	 United States 84% United Kingdom 4% Netherlands 3%
25 to 30	499 (41%)	508	1,520 (4 <i>7</i> %)	3.0	1. United States 79% 2. Canada 4% 3. France 4%
31 and older	88 (7%)	464	300 (9%)	3.4	1. United States 76% 2. Canada 12% 3. Vietnam 5%

Pakistani Citizens

Pakistani citizens sat for 1,021 GMAT exams in TY 2011. Of these exams, only 22 percent were taken by women, the lowest female participation rate of any country in this report The (Figure *23*). distribution of Pakistani examinees shifted somewhat between TY 2007 and TY 2011, showing a slight decrease in those younger than 25 and a rise in examinees aged 25 to 30 vears old.

Pakistani citizens directed more than half (55%) of



their GMAT score reports to management programs in the United States in TY 2011. Interest in Canada grew over the five-year period studied, while the levels of score-sending to domestic programs diminished (*Table 23*).

Table 23. Top 10 Countries/Regions to Which Pakistani Citizens Sent Score Reports									
TY	2007		TY 2011						
Pakisto	ani Citizens		Pakista	ni Citizens					
Country/Region	Scores Sent	Percentage	Country/Region	Scores Sent	Percentage				
1. United States	2,115	59.18%	1. United States	1,785	55.13%				
2. United Kingdom	531	14.86%	2. Canada	570	17.60%				
3. Canada	491	13.74%	3. United Kingdom	414	12.79%				
4. Pakistan	169	4.73%	4. Pakistan	96	2.96%				
5. France	78	2.18%	5. France	91	2.81%				
6. Australia	67	1.87%	6. Singapore	62	1.91%				
7. Singapore	51	1.43%	7. Australia	52	1.61%				
8. Spain	12	0.34%	8. Spain	24	0.74%				
9. Switzerland	9	0.25%	9. Netherlands	21	0.65%				
10. United Arab Emirates	8	0.22%	10. Germany	20	0.62%				
Total Scores Sent	3,574	100%	Total Scores Sent	3,238	100%				

^{*} Based on number of scores received. Average score reports sent per examinee: 3.3 in TY 2007 and 3.2 in TY 2011.

Pakistani examinees sent 72 percent of their GMAT score reports to MBA programs in TY

2011, down moderately from 80 percent of total score reports sent in TY 2007. Growing interest in non-MBA master's programs accounts for this shift (*Figure 24*).

The United States, Canada, and the United Kingdom were the top score-sending destinations for both Pakistani women and men in TY 2011 (*Table 24*). Men, however, sent a greater number of score reports per exam taken (3.3 vs. 2.8). Only minor score-sending differences were observed across age categories.

Figure 24. GMAT[®] Score Reports Sent by Program Type:
Pakistani Citizens

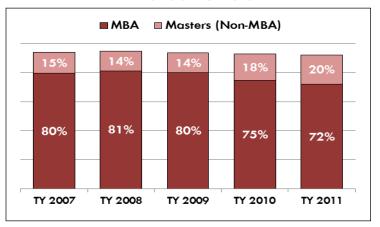


Table 24. TY 2011 Detailed Examinee Characteristics for Pakistani Citizens								
Examinee Characteristics	Exams Taken	Mean Total Score	Score Reports Sent	Average # of Score Reports Sent Per Exam Taken	Top Destinations			
Total	1,021 (100%)	508	3,238 (100%)	3.2	1. United States 55% 2. Canada 18% 3. United Kingdom 13%			
		Gend	ler Breakdown					
Women	228 (22%)	493	634 (20%)	2.8	1. United States 58% 2. Canada 16% 3. United Kingdom 11%			
Men	793 (78%)	512	2,604 (80%)	3.3	1. United States 54% 2. Canada 18% 3. United Kingdom 13%			
		Age	Breakdown					
Younger than 25	374 (37%)	502	1,199 (3 <i>7</i> %)	3.2	1. United States 54% 2. Canada 16% 3. United Kingdom 12%			
25 to 30	485 (48%)	517	1,585 (49%)	3.3	1. United States 55% 2. Canada 18% 3. United Kingdom 14%			
31 and older	162 (16%)	494	454 (14%)	2.8	1. United States 58% 2. Canada 19% 3. United Kingdom 11%			

Indonesian Citizens

The number of GMAT exams taken by Indonesian citizens has been relatively stable since TY 2007. Of the 847 exams taken in TY 2011, 43 percent were taken by women and 44 percent were taken by examinees younger than 25. Both measures are similar to TY 2007 levels (Figure 25).

Even though US programs captured the majority of score reports that Indonesian examinees sent in TY 2011 (60%), they have experienced declining

GMAT® Exams Taken Gender Breakdown (%) ■Men ■Women 981 975 934 45% 892 847 TY 2007 TY 2011 Age Breakdown (%) ■<25 ■25 to 30 ■31+ 43% 44% 44% 41% 15%

14%

TY 2011

TY 2007

Figure 25. GMAT® Exam Trends by Citizenship: Indonesia

market share from prospective Indonesian students since TY 2007. Increased student interest in programs across Western Europe, including the United Kingdom, France, and the Netherlands, largely accounts for this shift (Table 25).

TY 2007 TY 2008 TY 2009 TY 2010 TY 2011

Table 25. Top 10 Countries/Regions to Which Indonesian Citizens Sent Score Reports									
1	Y 2007		TY 2011 Indonesian Citizens						
Indon	esian Citizens								
Country/Region	Country/Region Scores Sent Percentage		Country/Region	Scores Sent	Percentage				
1. United States	2,252	76.24%	1. United States	1,463	59.69%				
2. Singapore	249	8.43%	2. Singapore	213	8.69%				
3. Australia	93	3.15%	3. United Kingdom	193	7.87%				
4. France	74	2.51%	4. France	112	4.57%				
5. United Kingdom	73	2.47%	5. Australia	110	4.49%				
6. Canada	50	1.69%	6. Netherlands	101	4.12%				
7. Netherlands	49	1.66%	7. Canada	67	2.73%				
8. Japan	34	1.15%	8. China	34	1.39%				
9. China	14	0.47%	9. Hong Kong (SAR of China)	30	1.22%				
10. Germany	10	0.34%	10. Spain	30	1.22%				
Total Scores Sent	2,954	100%	Total Scores Sent	2,451	100%				

^{*} Based on number of scores received. Average score reports sent per examinee: 3.0 in TY 2007 and 2.9 in TY 2011.

Indonesian examinees sent 74 percent of their GMAT score reports to MBA programs in TY 2011 (*Figure 26*). In the region, only Japanese citizens sent a greater proportion.

Within the Indonesian pipeline, men and those aged 25 to 30 sent the most score reports per exam taken in TY 2011. The United States was the primary score-sending destination for all subgroups shown in *Table 26*. Singapore was also a popular destination for Indonesians in TY 2011 with examinees aged 25 to 30 sending the greatest share of their score reports to study opportunities in Singapore (11%).

Figure 26. GMAT[®] Score Reports Sent by Program Type: Indonesian Citizens

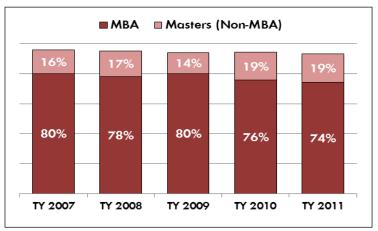


Table 26. TY 2011 Detailed Examinee Characteristics for Indonesian Citizens								
Examinee Characteristics	Exams Taken	Mean Total Score	Score Reports Sent	Average # of Score Reports Sent Per Exam Taken	Top Destinations			
Total	847 (100%)	516	2,451 (100%)	2.9	1. United States 60% 2. Singapore 9% 3. United Kingdom 8%			
		Gend	er Breakdown					
Women	365 (43%)	506	922 (38%)	2.5	1. United States 57% 2. United Kingdom 9% 3. Singapore 8%			
Men	482 (57%)	524	1,529 (62%)	3.2	1. United States 61% 2. Singapore 9% 3. United Kingdom 7%			
		Age	Breakdown					
Younger than 25	371 (44%)	501	974 (40%)	2.6	 United States 66% Singapore 6% United Kingdom 6% 			
25 to 30	348 (41%)	542	1,114 (45%)	3.2	1. United States 54% 2. Singapore 11% 3. United Kingdom 9%			
31 and Older	128 (15%)	492	363 (15%)	2.8	1. United States 60% 2. United Kingdom 10% 3. Singapore 8%			

Methodology

This report presents analysis of data from the 10 Asian citizenship groups with the largest number of GMAT exams taken in TY 2011. Information was obtained from examinees' responses to the Background Information Questionnaire administered as part of the GMAT exam, score-reporting information from examinee records, and from other registration information for testing years 2007 through 2011, each beginning July 1 and ending June 30, mirroring many academic years.

Examinees provide their country of citizenship at the time of GMAT exam registration. This information was used to group examinees into two regional categories: Central and South Asia and East and Southeast Asia. Country of citizenship and score-reporting behavior were used to gauge regional trends and changes in examinee preferences regarding school locations.

Although five-year data from TY 2007 to TY 2011 are provided for general trend purposes, score-sending data specific to TY 2007 and TY 2011 provide the primary basis for analysis. This report closely examines data from the 58,190 exams taken by Asian citizens in 2007 and the 85,551 exams taken by Asian citizen citizens in 2011.

When taking the GMAT exam, test takers have the option of submitting their score reports to up to five programs at no charge. Once examinees leave the testing center, they may request additional copies of their score report for a fee. For every test taken, the first 10 score report recipients are recorded in the annual database.

The data analyzed take into account exams taken, not individual test takers. Any examinees who took the exam more than once are represented in the analyses by the number of times they took the exam. The percentage of exams taken by repeat examinees each year is approximately 15 percent to 22 percent.

GMAT score-sending trends generally indicate examinee interest in studying in a particular region. Other factors, such as changes in school application requirements and national visa policies, also influence these trends and should be taken into consideration when evaluating this report. It is also important to note when reviewing these results that it is not mandatory for examinees to respond to the background information questions in order to register for the GMAT exam. As a result, not all test takers are represented in every analysis. The percentage of "missing" or unreported background information, however, is extremely low for the testing years analyzed.

This report also examines the types of programs where candidates send GMAT score reports. Because demographic characteristics of examinees pursuing executive MBA (EMBA) degrees differ substantially from other MBA degree candidates, EMBA counts were not included in the MBA category. The MBA category includes full-time, part-time, online/distance, and evening MBA programs of all durations, including one-year and other accelerated MBA programs. The master's (non-MBA) category includes several graduate degrees including management, accounting, finance, marketing, and public administration. For more information on these categories please contact research@gmac.com.

For many tables and figures in this report, percentage totals may not sum to 100 due to rounding errors.

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Appendix A. Regional Categories

EAST AND SOUTHEAST ASIA

Brunei	Korea, DPR of (North)	Myanmar (Burma)
Cambodia	Korea, Rep. of (South)	Philippines
China, People's Republic of	Laos	Singapore
East Timor	Macau (SAR of China)	Sri Lanka
Hong Kong (SAR of China)	Malaysia	Taiwan
Indonesia	Maldives	Thailand
Japan	Mongolia	Vietnam

Note: The East and Southeast Asian region was labeled "Asia" in versions of this report published prior to 2009. The people of Hong Kong and Macau are included in the "Chinese" citizenship category.

CENTRAL AND SOUTH ASIA

Afghanistan Kazakhstan Tajikistan
Bangladesh Kyrgyzstan Turkmenistan
Bhutan Nepal Uzbekistan
India Pakistan

Note: The Central and South Asian region was labeled "Central Asia" in versions of this report published prior to 2009.

Appendix B. Supplemental GMAT Data

GMAT® Exams Taken by Country of Residence

Table B.1. GMAT [®] Exams Taken by Asian Residents—Top 20 Countries/Regions TY 2007 to TY 2011								
Country of Residence*	TY 2007	TY 2008	TY 2009	TY 2010	TY 2011	Percentage of All TY 2011		
1. China	7,663	11,287	16,529	22,178	30,213	44.93%		
2. India	13,324	18,950	21,781	18,843	18,310	27.23%		
3. South Korea	5,459	6,073	5,596	5,098	4,392	6.53%		
4. Taiwan	4,187	4,092	4,276	3,295	2,866	4.26%		
5. Singapore	1,841	2,526	2,468	2,373	2,442	3.63%		
6. Japan	3,034	2,649	2,683	2,519	2,379	3.54%		
7. Hong Kong (SAR of China)	1,886	1,995	2,436	2,362	2,137	3.18%		
8. Thailand	1,470	1,526	1,723	1,576	1,467	2.18%		
9. Viet Nam	254	327	426	591	604	0.90%		
10. Pakistan	521	635	594	640	573	0.85%		
11. Indonesia	422	446	426	520	480	0.71%		
12. Malaysia	217	230	248	275	247	0.37%		
13. Philippines	266	293	260	251	236	0.35%		
14. Bangladesh	73	108	125	160	221	0.33%		
15. Nepal	152	258	313	231	189	0.28%		
16. Kazakhstan	136	170	188	189	182	0.27%		
17. Macao (SAR of China)	24	23	36	60	89	0.13%		
18. Sri Lanka	61	91	78	62	64	0.10%		
19. Uzbekistan	53	44	33	60	53	0.08%		
20. Kyrgyzstan	16	29	22	22	35	0.05%		
Total Number of Exams Taken by Asian Residents	41,125	51,822	60,296	61,379	67,252	100%		

^{*} Countries ranked based on number of GMAT exams taken in TY 2011.

GMAT® Score Report Destinations by Country of Citizenship

Table B.2. Score Report Destinations for Asian GMAT® Examinees									
		TY	2007		TY 2011				
Country of Citizenship	Scores Sent	Percentage Domestic	Percentage Elsewhere in Region	Percentage Outside Region	Scores Sent	Percentage Domestic	Percentage Elsewhere in Region	Percentage Outside Region	
China	48,664	2.4%	8.0%	89.6%	126,090	1.1%	6.6%	92.3%	
India	96,217	11.7%	5.0%	83.2%	112,725	15.3%	8.0%	76.7%	
Indonesia	2,954	0.0%	10.5%	89.4%	2,451	0.0%	12.6%	87.4%	
Japan	7,230	2.7%	1.7%	95.7%	5,168	2.8%	4.6%	92.6%	
Pakistan	3,574	4.7%	1.8%	93.4%	3,238	3.0%	2.6%	94.5%	
Singapore	2,880	42.7%	2.3%	55.0%	3,343	38.0%	3.1%	58.9%	
South Korea	13,194	0.6%	1.8%	97.6%	10,640	1.3%	5.1%	93.7%	
Taiwan	16,841	0.2%	1.0%	98.8%	9,676	0.1%	2.3%	97.6%	
Thailand	6,617	4.3%	1.5%	94.2%	4,569	5.2%	5.2%	89.6%	
Vietnam	1,623	0.0%	4.8%	95.2%	3,316	1.3%	3.5%	95.3%	
All Asian Citizens	207,430	7.0%	5.0%	88.0%	289,388	7.1%	6.9%	86.0%	

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