

Study Permit Holders by Country

PROFESSIONAL ANALYTICAL REPORT

All countries of citizenship · 2023

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REPORT PARAMETERS

YEAR 2023	COUNTRY OF CITIZENSHIP All countries of citizenship	ANALYSIS Citizenship
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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Study permit summary

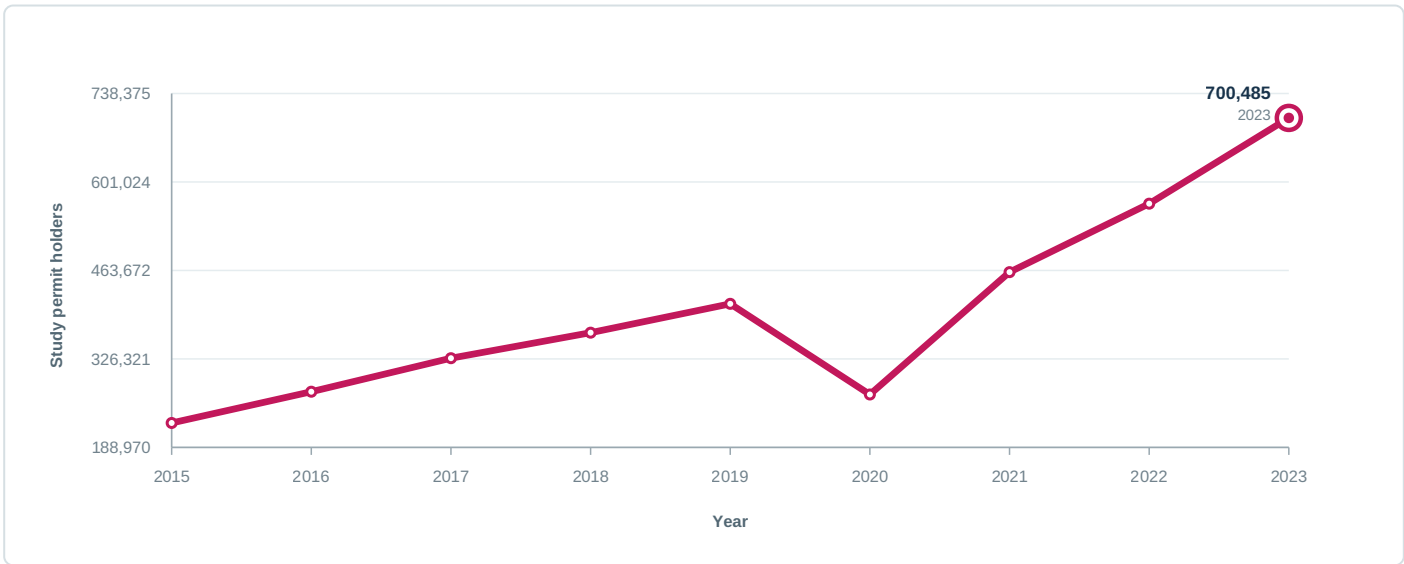
STUDY PERMIT HOLDERS 700,485 2023	LEADING CITIZENSHIP India 283,675 permit holders	HISTORICAL COVERAGE 9 Years available	SUPPRESSED RECORDS 447 Excluded from published total
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This report summarizes published study permit-holder data for All countries of citizenship in 2023, including historical context, country rankings, suppression information, and annual trends.

TREND ANALYSIS

Annual study permit-holder trend for All countries of citizenship

Annual published study permit-holder totals for All countries of citizenship.



HISTORICAL CONTEXT

Historical performance

PEAK YEAR 2023 700,485 permit holders	HISTORICAL AVERAGE 400,952 Complete years	SELECTED YEAR 700,485 2023	VS. HISTORICAL AVERAGE + 74.7% Above average
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KEY INSIGHTS

What the data shows

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Compared with historical average
The selected year is 74.7% above the average for complete years.
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Leading category
India ranks first with 283,675 published study permit holders, representing 40.5% of the published total.
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Largest increase
India had the largest increase between 2022 and 2023, rising by 50,920 published permit holders.
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Largest decline
Japan had the largest decline between 2022 and 2023, falling by 3,410 published permit holders.

COMPARISON

Top countries of citizenship

RANK	COUNTRY OF CITIZENSHIP	STUDY PERMIT HOLDERS	SHARE	SUPPRESSED RECORDS
1	India	283,675	40.5%	0
2	China, People's Republic of	60,725	8.7%	0
3	Nigeria	39,405	5.6%	0
4	Philippines	34,690	5.0%	0
5	Nepal	16,085	2.3%	0
6	France	15,805	2.3%	0
7	Iran	15,215	2.2%	0
8	Mexico	11,675	1.7%	0
9	Vietnam	11,250	1.6%	0

RANK	COUNTRY OF CITIZENSHIP	STUDY PERMIT HOLDERS	SHARE	SUPPRESSED RECORDS
10	Korea, Republic of	10,985	1.6%	0

Historical trend

Annual study permit trend for All countries of citizenship

YEAR	STUDY PERMIT HOLDERS	YOY CHANGE	SUPPRESSED RECORDS	COVERAGE
2015	226,860	—	595	Complete year
2016	275,405	+21.4%	556	Complete year
2017	327,435	+18.9%	553	Complete year
2018	367,050	+12.1%	544	Complete year
2019	411,860	+12.2%	566	Complete year
2020	271,105	-34.2%	600	Complete year
2021	461,040	+70.1%	505	Complete year
2022	567,330	+23.1%	468	Complete year
2023	700,485	+23.5%	447	Complete year

DATASET INFORMATION

About this report

Source, selection, coverage, and generation details for this analytical report.

DATASET	PUBLISHER	YEAR
Study permit holders by country of citizenship and year	Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada	2023
COUNTRY OF CITIZENSHIP	ANALYSIS	RECORDS INCLUDED
All countries of citizenship	Citizenship	0

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METHODOLOGY

How this report was prepared

This report uses published Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada study permit-holder data by country of citizenship and the year in which study permits became effective.

Historical totals, rankings, shares, annual changes, suppression counts, and analytical findings are derived from the same normalized records used by the interactive Study Permit Explorer.

Important note

Published totals may exclude suppressed values. Suppressed records are reported separately where present and are not included in published study permit-holder totals.

ABOUT DATA EXPLORER

Public data, made easier to explore

Data Explorer is a collection of interactive tools that transform official public datasets into searchable charts, summaries, analytical reports, and downloadable documents.

The information presented in this report is derived from published source data. Charts, calculated values, and analytical highlights are generated automatically from normalized records while preserving the meaning of the original dataset.

APPLICATION	GENERATED	WEBSITE
Study Permit Citizenship Explorer	September 24, 2026, 9:40 a.m.	data.howsoonisnow.ca
End of report		