

Study Permit Holders by Institution

PROFESSIONAL ANALYTICAL REPORT

Saint Mary's University · 2025

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REPORT PARAMETERS

YEAR 2025	INSTITUTION Saint Mary's University	PROVINCE OR TERRITORY Nova Scotia	INSTITUTION TYPE University
ANALYSIS Institution			

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Institution summary

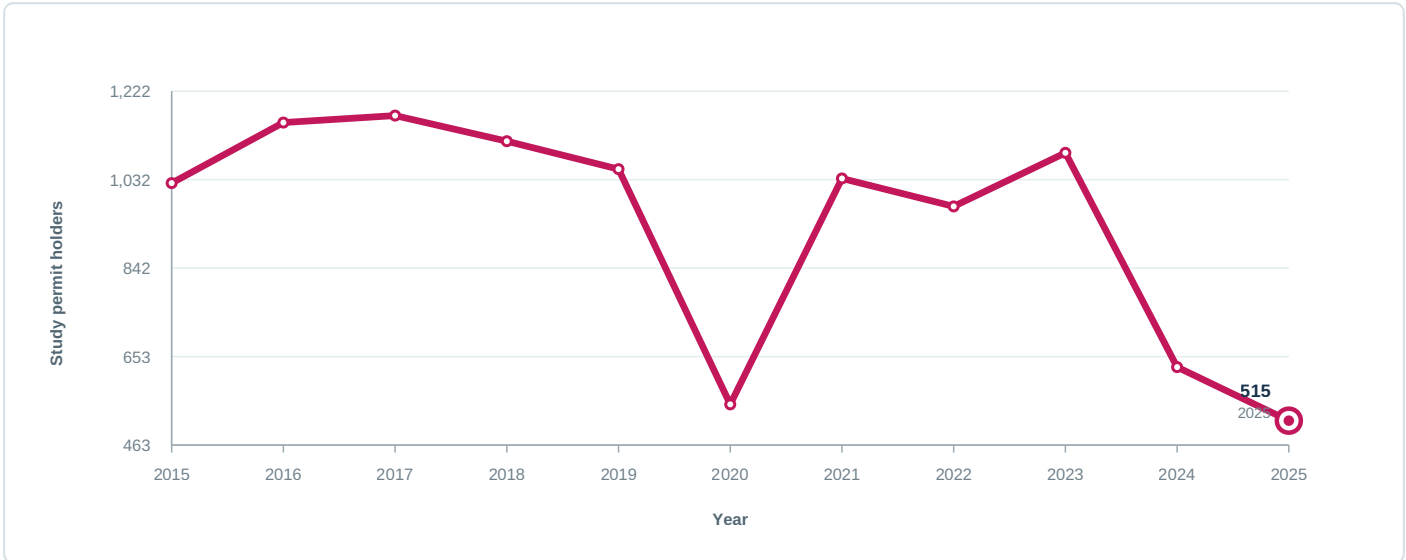
STUDY PERMIT HOLDERS 515 2025	RANK AMONG COMPARABLE INSTITUTIONS #3 Nova Scotia · University	SHARE OF COMPARABLE TOTAL 13.0% Saint Mary's University	HISTORICAL PEAK 1,170 2017
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This report summarizes published study permit-holder data for Saint Mary's University in 2025, including historical context, peer rankings, suppression information, and annual trends.

TREND ANALYSIS

Annual study permit trend for Saint Mary's University

Annual published study permit-holder totals for Saint Mary's University.



HISTORICAL CONTEXT

Historical performance

PEAK YEAR 2017 1,170 permit holders	HISTORICAL AVERAGE 938 Complete years	SELECTED YEAR 515 2025	VS. HISTORICAL AVERAGE -45.1% Below average
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KEY INSIGHTS

What the data shows

- Below historical peak**
Saint Mary's University had 56.0% fewer published study permit holders in 2025 than at its historical peak in 2017.
- Compared with historical average**
Saint Mary's University's 2025 published total is 45.1% below its historical average for complete years.
- Rank among comparable institutions**
Saint Mary's University ranks #3 among universities in Nova Scotia for 2025.
- Share of comparable total**
Saint Mary's University represents 13.0% of the published study permit-holder total among universities in Nova Scotia in 2025.

STUDY LEVEL COMPARISON

Top institutions

RANK	INSTITUTION	STUDY PERMIT HOLDERS	SHARE	SUPPRESSED RECORDS
1	Cape Breton University	1,390	35.2%	0
2	Dalhousie University	1,385	35.1%	0
3	Saint Mary's University	515	13.0%	0
4	Mount Saint Vincent University	295	7.5%	1
5	Acadia University	180	4.6%	2
6	St Francis Xavier University	85	2.2%	3
7	Université Sainte-Anne	60	1.5%	5
8	NSCAD University	35	0.9%	9
9	University of Kings College	5	0.1%	9
10	Atlantic School of Theology	0	0.0%	3

HISTORICAL TREND

Annual study permit trend for Saint Mary's University

YEAR	STUDY PERMIT HOLDERS	YOY CHANGE	SUPPRESSED RECORDS	COVERAGE
2015	1,025	—	0	Complete year
2016	1,155	+12.7%	0	Complete year
2017	1,170	+1.3%	0	Complete year
2018	1,115	-4.7%	0	Complete year
2019	1,055	-5.4%	0	Complete year
2020	550	-47.9%	0	Complete year
2021	1,035	+88.2%	0	Complete year
2022	975	-5.8%	0	Complete year
2023	1,090	+11.8%	0	Complete year
2024	630	-42.2%	0	Complete year
2025	515	-18.3%	0	Complete year

DATASET INFORMATION

About this report

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

DATASET	PUBLISHER	YEAR
Study permit holders by designated learning institution and year	Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada	2025
INSTITUTION	PROVINCE OR TERRITORY	INSTITUTION TYPE
Saint Mary's University	Nova Scotia	University
ANALYSIS	RECORDS INCLUDED	REPORT GENERATED
Institution	0	September 24, 2026, 1:59 p.m.

METHODOLOGY

How this report was prepared

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

Historical totals, peer 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. Institution names are preserved from the official IRCC source and may identify campuses or locations separately.

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 Institution Explorer	September 24, 2026, 1:59 p.m.	data.howsoonisnow.ca

End of report