In 2017, 51,680 individuals applied to U.S. medical schools. Among them, 50,826 applied with MCAT scores, and 51,432 provided undergraduate grade point averages (UGPAs). Among those who applied with MCAT scores, 11.7% of the applicants applied with scores from the old version of the MCAT® exam only, 21.2% applied with scores from the old exam and the new exam, and 67.0% applied with scores from the new exam only. In 2018, 52,777 individuals applied to U.S. medical schools. Among them, 51,818 applied with MCAT scores, and 52,518 provided UGPAs. Among those who applied with MCAT scores, almost all applicants (i.e., greater than 98.0%) applied with scores from the new exam.

The means and SDs of MCAT® scores are calculated based on data from applicants who applied with MCAT® scores. Specifically, 44,869 applicants and 18,073 matriculants in 2017, and 51,067 applicants and 20,542 matriculants in 2018 were included in the calculations. The means and SDs of UGPAs are calculated based on data from applicants who applied with UGPAs. Specifically, 51,432 applicants and 21,164 matriculants in 2017, and 52,138 applicants and 21,441 matriculants in 2018 were included in the calculations.

Each academic year includes applicants and matriculants that applied to enter medical school in the fall of the given year. For example, academic year 2018-2019 represents the applicants and matriculants that applied to enter medical school during the 2018 application cycle.