

POSTDOCTORAL DENTAL MATCHING PROGRAM

Sponsoring Organizations

American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry
 American Academy of Periodontology
 Special Care Dentistry Association

American Association of Oral & Maxillofacial Surgeons
 American Society of Dentist Anesthesiologists

American Association of Orthodontists
 American Student Dental Association
 American College of Prosthodontists

RESULTS OF THE MATCHING PROGRAM FOR 2024-2025 POSITIONS

OVERVIEW

Summary statistics for the last five years, overall and for each program type, are shown in the tables below. The numbers in parentheses in the columns for 2024 represent the changes as compared to last year.

Overall, 2030 positions (83%) were filled in the 2024 Dental Match. The applicant pool, as measured by the number of applicants who submitted Rank Order Lists, decreased by 3.1% while the number of positions offered decreased by 3.5%. The decrease in applicants and positions resulted in decreases in the number of unfilled positions and unmatched applicants.

Despite having decreases in the size of their applicant pools, OMS, PED, PROS, and ANES programs had increases in the number of positions filled. US GPR, AEGD, and PERIO programs have had decreases in the size of their applicant pools since 2021 but US GPR and AEGD had increases in the percentage of positions filled this year, and PERIO had the second-highest percentage of positions filled of any program type. ORTHO and Canadian GPR programs saw increases in both the size of their applicant pools and the number of positions filled.

| OVERALL TOTALS | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 | |
|---|------|------|------|------|------|-------|
| Applicants Participating in the Match * | 3484 | 3915 | 3427 | 3165 | 3066 | (-99) |
| Positions Offered | 2520 | 2485 | 2516 | 2542 | 2453 | (-89) |
| Matches / Positions Filled | 2214 | 2294 | 2202 | 2081 | 2030 | (-51) |
| Unmatched Applicants | 1270 | 1621 | 1225 | 1084 | 1036 | (-48) |
| Unfilled Positions | 306 | 191 | 314 | 461 | 423 | (-38) |

| US GPR | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 | |
|---|------|------|------|------|------|-------|
| Applicants Participating in the Match * | 1045 | 1178 | 948 | 770 | 752 | (-18) |
| Positions Offered | 798 | 779 | 769 | 765 | 710 | (-55) |
| Matches / Positions Filled | 664 | 704 | 623 | 542 | 514 | (-28) |
| Unfilled Positions | 134 | 75 | 146 | 223 | 196 | (-27) |

| AEGD | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 | |
|---|------|------|------|------|------|-------|
| Applicants Participating in the Match * | 559 | 678 | 609 | 488 | 467 | (-21) |
| Positions Offered | 366 | 336 | 355 | 361 | 301 | (-60) |
| Matches / Positions Filled | 246 | 266 | 252 | 223 | 190 | (-33) |
| Unfilled Positions | 120 | 70 | 103 | 138 | 111 | (-27) |

| OMS | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 | |
|---|------|------|------|------|------|-------|
| Applicants Participating in the Match * | 438 | 493 | 450 | 408 | 384 | (-24) |
| Positions Offered | 235 | 236 | 242 | 243 | 259 | (+16) |
| Matches / Positions Filled | 230 | 235 | 237 | 231 | 233 | (+2) |
| Unfilled Positions | 5 | 1 | 5 | 12 | 26 | (+14) |

| PED | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 | |
|---|------|------|------|------|------|-------|
| Applicants Participating in the Match * | 685 | 744 | 657 | 626 | 592 | (-34) |
| Positions Offered | 429 | 440 | 439 | 462 | 465 | (+3) |
| Matches / Positions Filled | 416 | 417 | 413 | 414 | 419 | (+5) |
| Unfilled Positions | 13 | 23 | 26 | 48 | 46 | (-2) |

| ORTHO | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 | |
|---|------|------|------|------|------|-------|
| Applicants Participating in the Match * | 502 | 608 | 593 | 614 | 657 | (+43) |
| Positions Offered | 318 | 332 | 345 | 349 | 356 | (+7) |
| Matches / Positions Filled | 308 | 322 | 331 | 330 | 335 | (+5) |
| Unfilled Positions | 10 | 10 | 14 | 19 | 21 | (+2) |

| PERIO | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 | |
|---|------|------|------|------|------|-------|
| Applicants Participating in the Match * | 350 | 357 | 298 | 296 | 282 | (-14) |
| Positions Offered | 152 | 137 | 139 | 139 | 128 | (-11) |
| Matches / Positions Filled | 151 | 137 | 135 | 138 | 124 | (-14) |
| Unfilled Positions | 1 | 0 | 4 | 1 | 4 | (+3) |

| PROS | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 | |
|---|------|------|------|------|------|-------|
| Applicants Participating in the Match * | 239 | 283 | 245 | 255 | 240 | (-15) |
| Positions Offered | 123 | 130 | 127 | 123 | 130 | (+7) |
| Matches / Positions Filled | 108 | 118 | 111 | 111 | 118 | (+7) |
| Unfilled Positions | 15 | 12 | 16 | 12 | 12 | (0) |

| CAN GPR | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 | |
|---|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| Applicants Participating in the Match * | 105 | 154 | 122 | 98 | 102 | (+4) |
| Positions Offered | 71 | 66 | 70 | 71 | 72 | (+1) |
| Matches / Positions Filled | 65 | 66 | 70 | 63 | 65 | (+2) |
| Unfilled Positions | 6 | 0 | 0 | 8 | 7 | (-1) |

| ANES | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 | |
|---|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| Applicants Participating in the Match * | 48 | 71 | 67 | 58 | 51 | (-7) |
| Positions Offered | 28 | 29 | 30 | 29 | 32 | (+3) |
| Matches / Positions Filled | 26 | 29 | 30 | 29 | 32 | (+3) |
| Unfilled Positions | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | (0) |

* The sum of the number of applicants ranking each program type exceeds the total number of applicants participating in the Match because some applicants rank more than one program type. Applicants who rank a particular type of program but are not matched to that type of program may be unmatched or may have been matched to a different program type.