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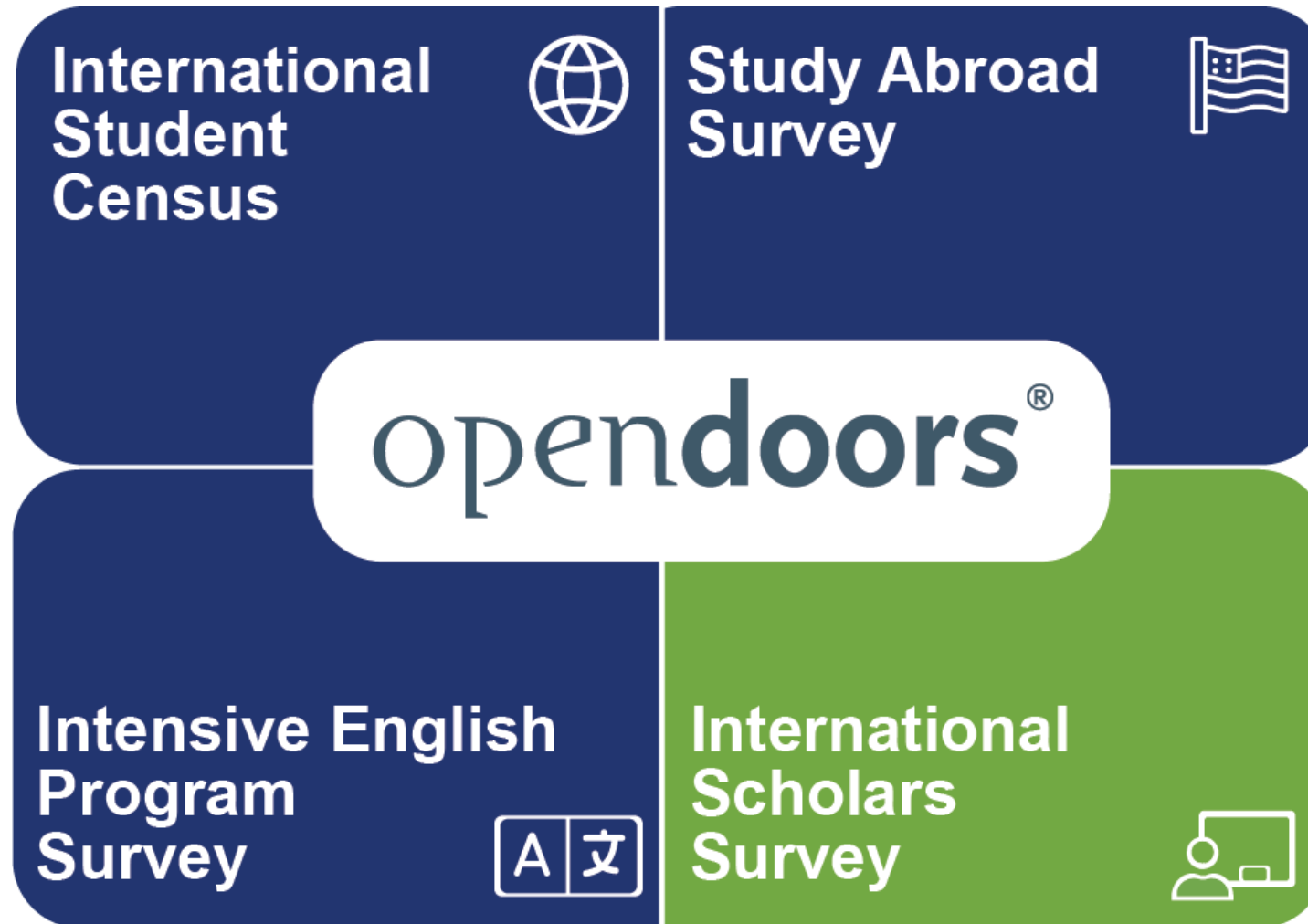
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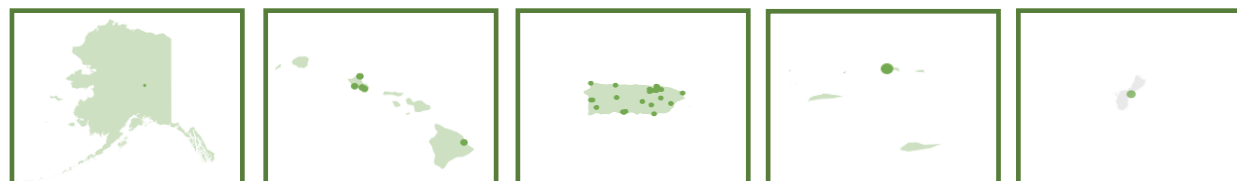
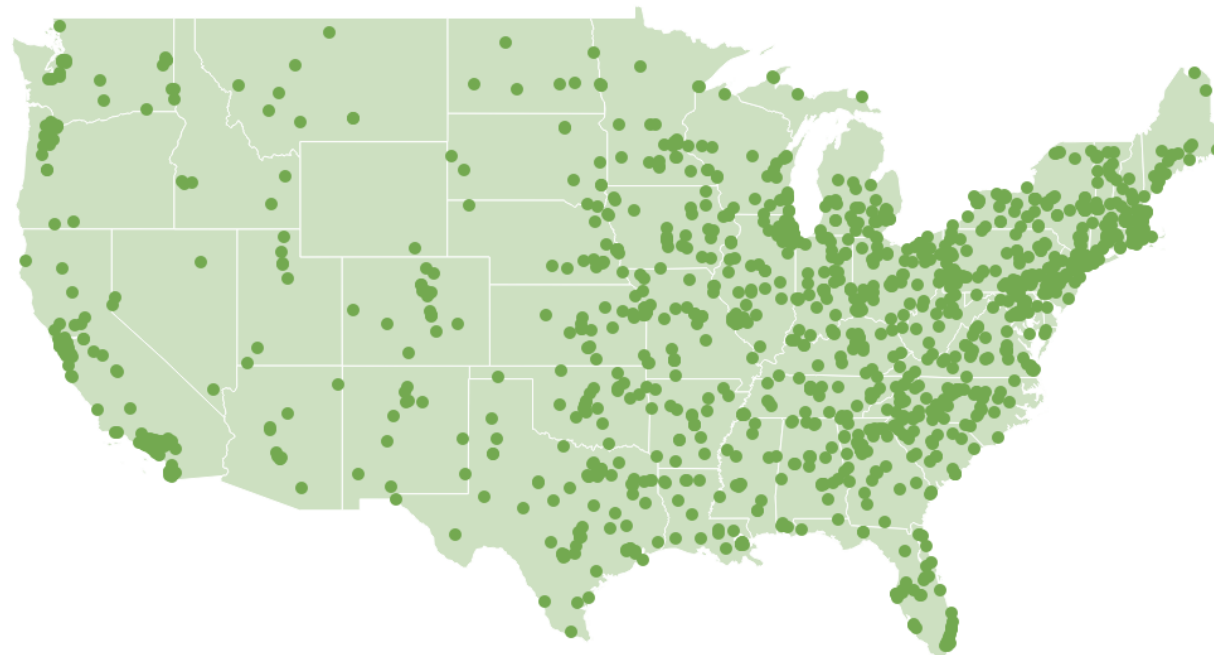


# International Scholars Overview

## Who is Surveyed?



**Close to 1,700 U.S.**  
higher education  
institutions hosting  
international scholars



# International Scholars Overview



## Who is Counted?

### International Scholars

- Post-doctoral scholars
- Visiting lecturers/professors/faculty
- Visiting researchers
- Short-term scholars
- Visiting specialists



## What Timeframe?

**2021/22**

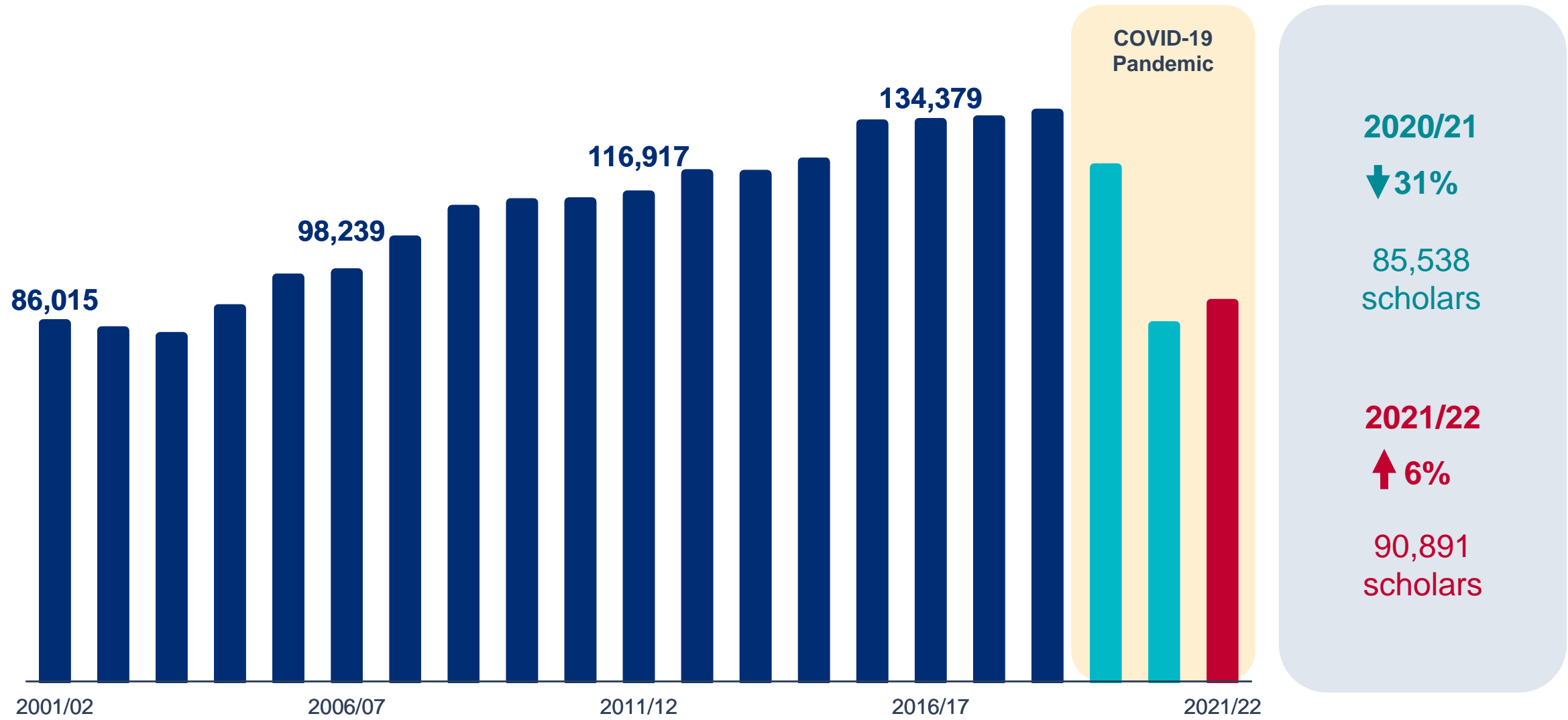
**Academic Year**

July 1, 2021 – June 30, 2022



U.S. higher education institutions hosted **90,891** international scholars in 2021/22, an increase of **6%**.

# 20 Years of International Scholars Trends

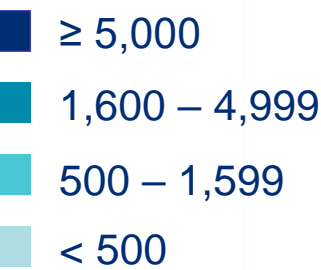




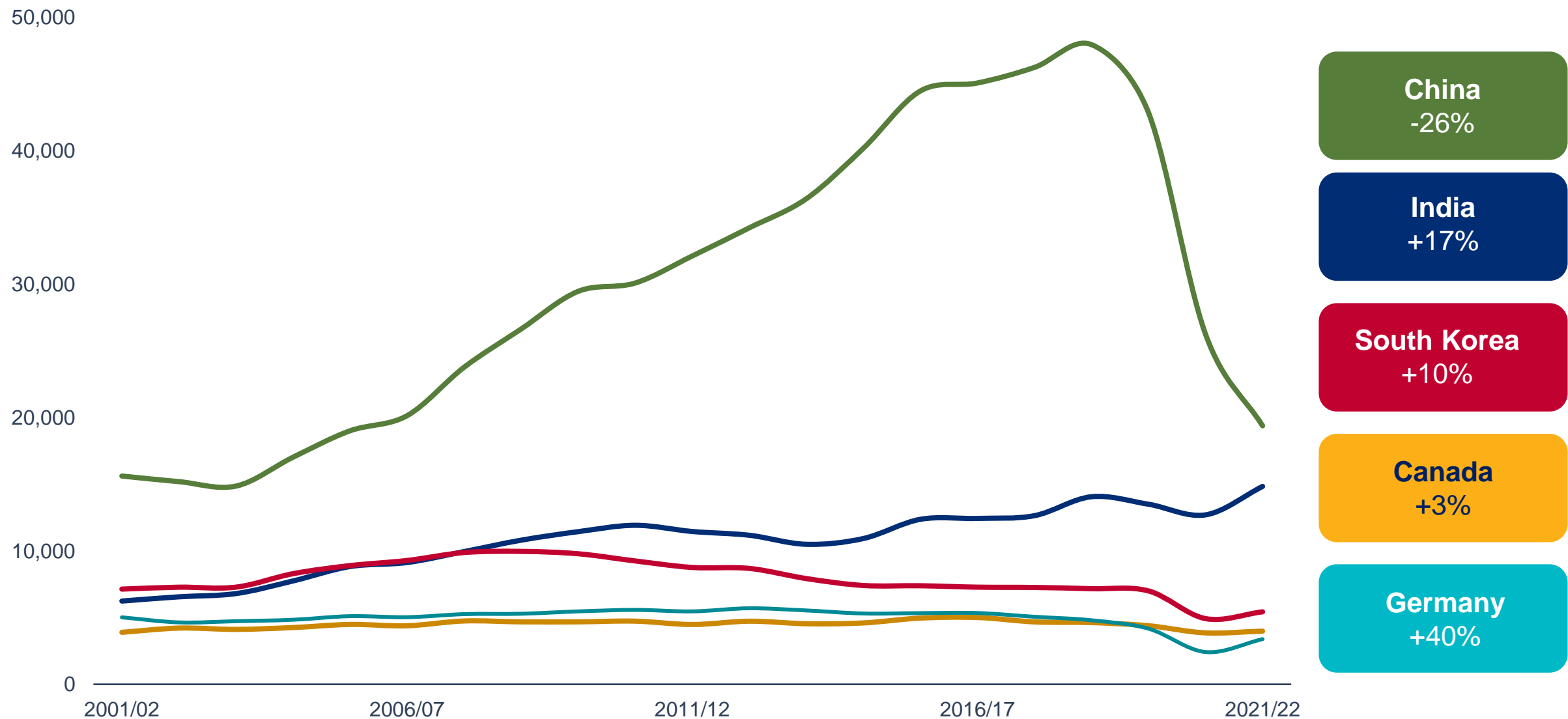
# International Scholars by Place of Origin

## Top Places of Origin

1	China	19,391
2	India	14,847
3	South Korea	5,439

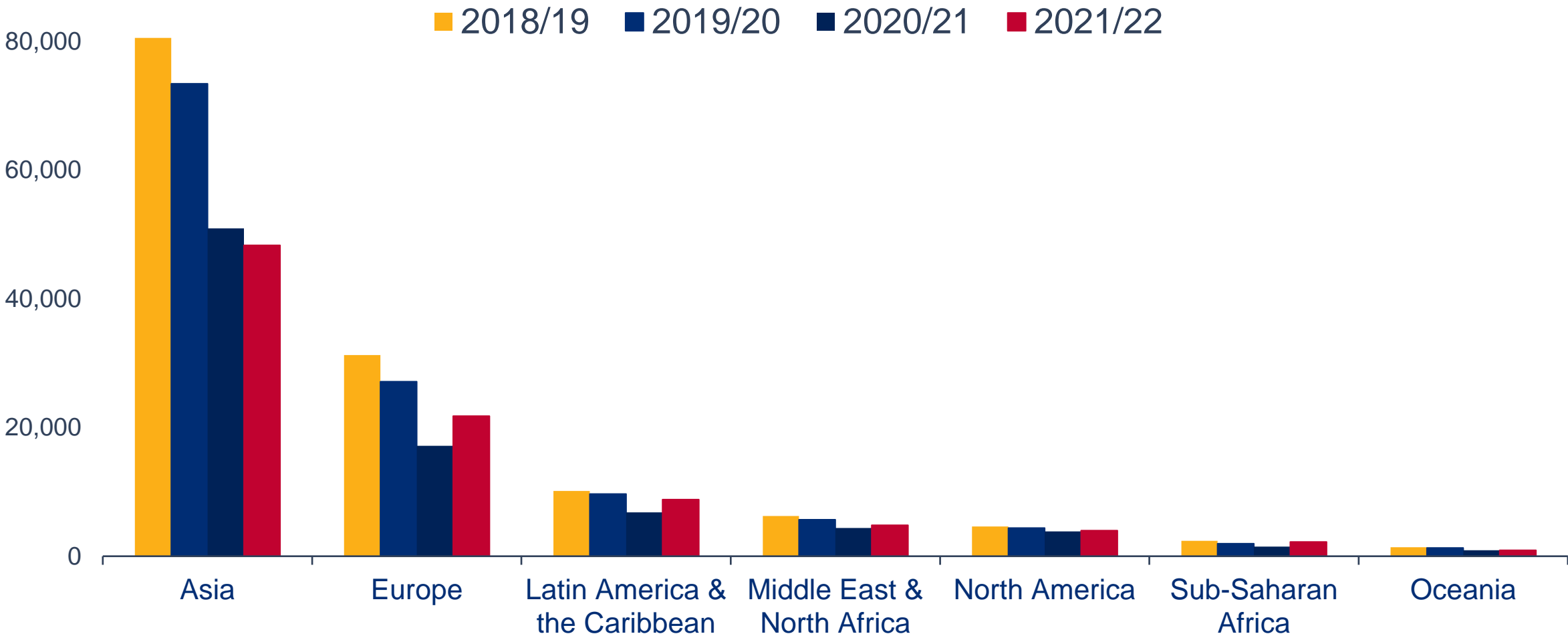


# Leading Places of Origin of International Scholars





# International Scholars by World Region of Origin

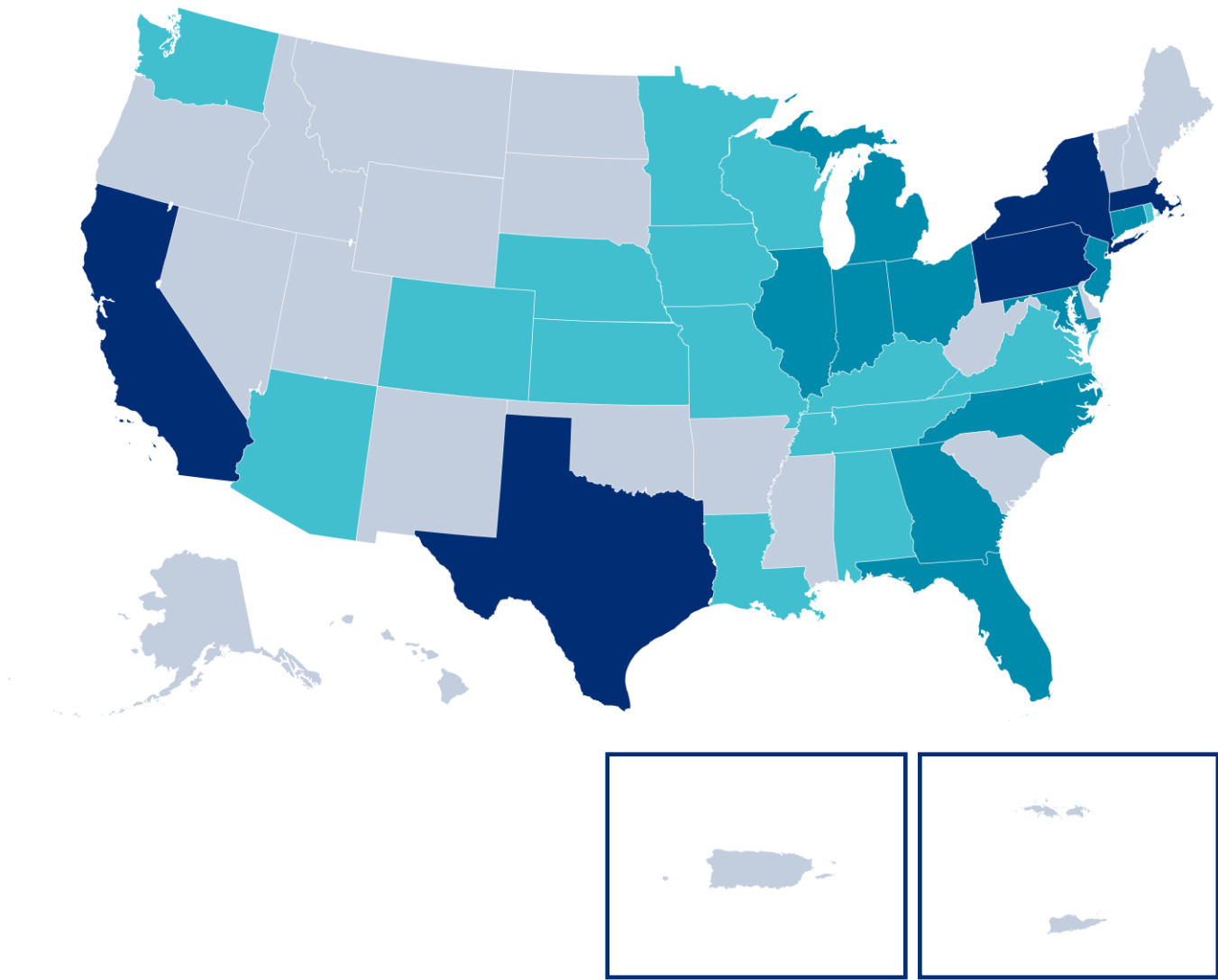
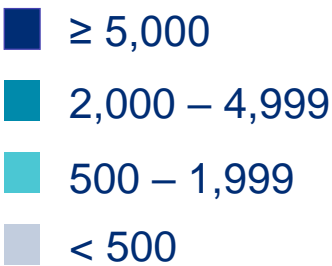


% Change 20/21-21/22	-5%	+27%	+30%	+10%	+3%	+50%	+2%
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# International Scholars by Leading State

## Top Destination States

- 1 California
- 2 Massachusetts
- 3 New York
- 4 Pennsylvania
- 5 Texas

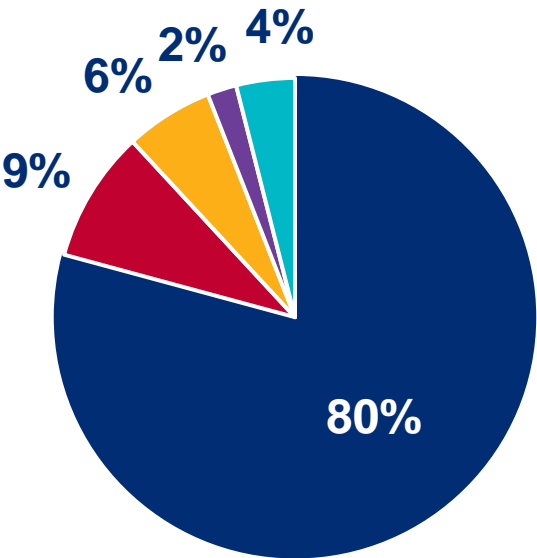




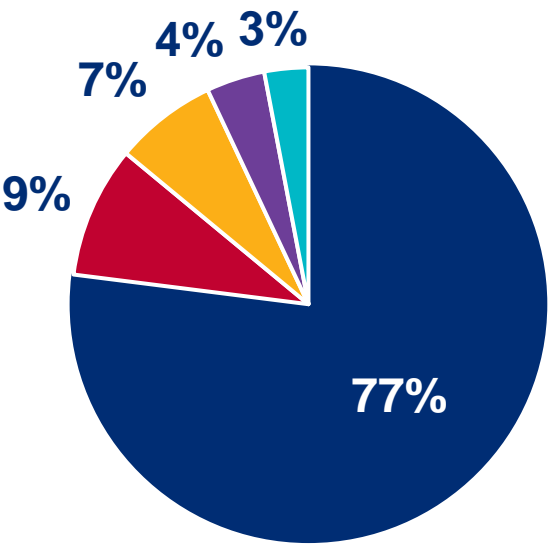
**Three out of four**  
international scholars  
pursued research  
activities.

# Primary Function of International Scholars

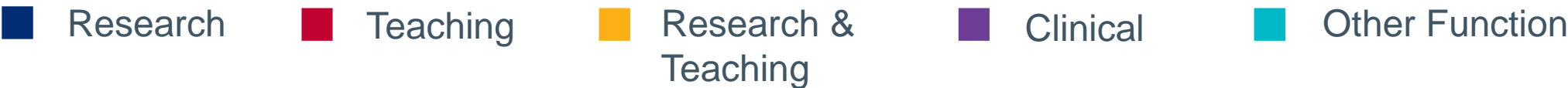
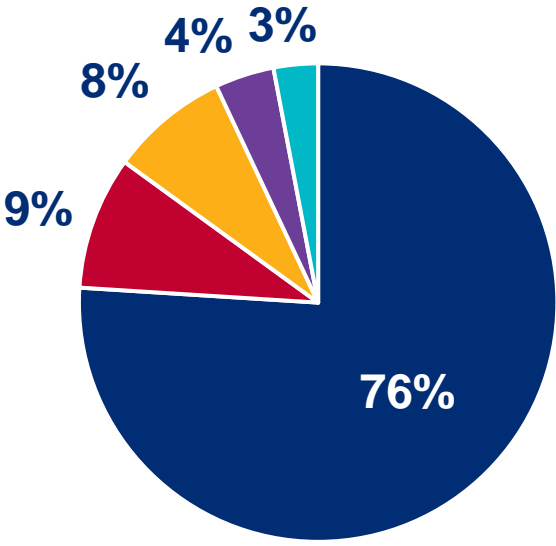
2019/20



2020/21



2021/22



# Leading Specializations of International Scholars



**40%**

Physical and life  
sciences



**15%**

Engineering



**14%**

Health  
professions



**7%**

Social  
sciences



**6%**

Math and  
computer science



**5%**

Agriculture

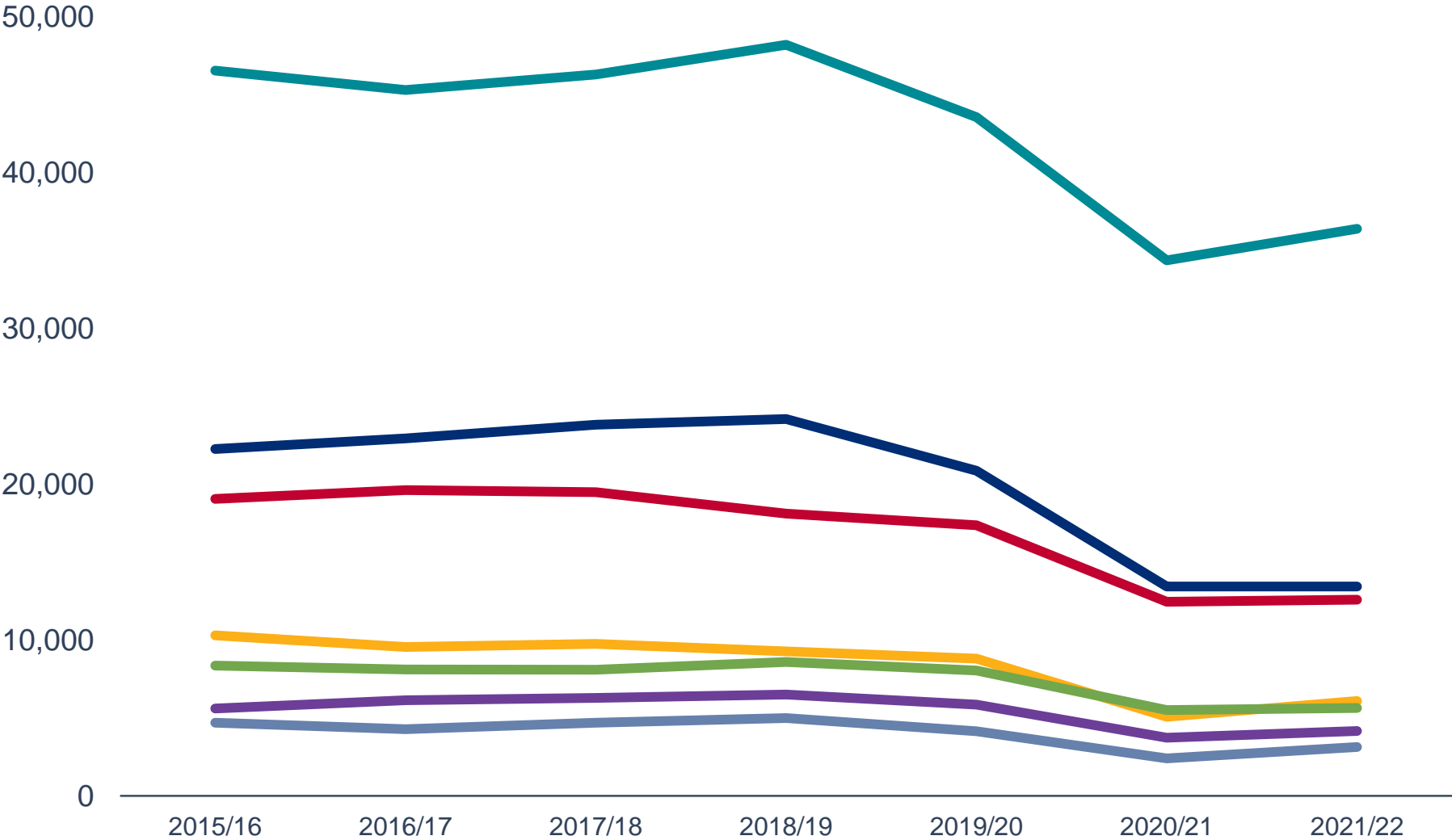


**3%**

Business and  
management

**79%** of international scholars focused their academic activities in STEM fields.

# Leading Specializations of International Scholars



**Physical & Life Sciences**  
36,396

**Engineering**  
13,430

**Health Professions**  
12,588

**Social Sciences**  
6,084

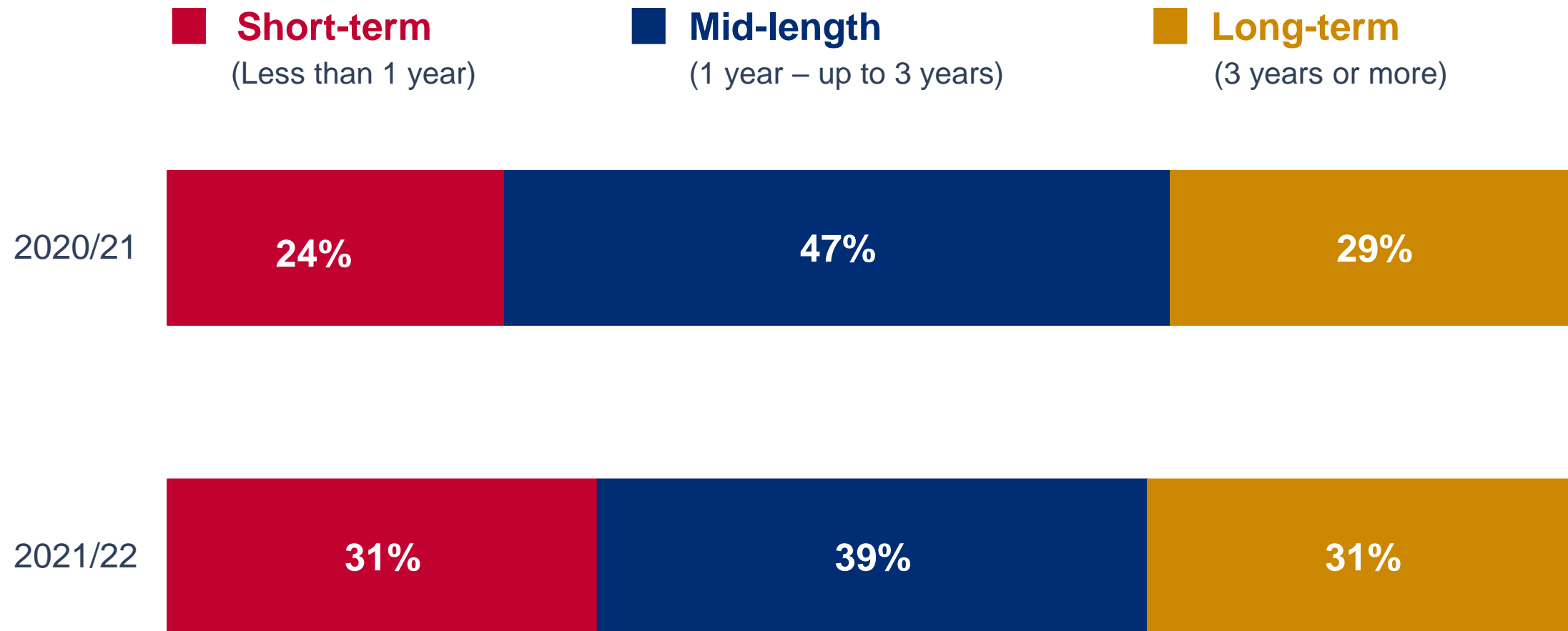
**Math & Computer Science**  
5,640

**Agriculture**  
4,152

**Business and Management**  
3,126



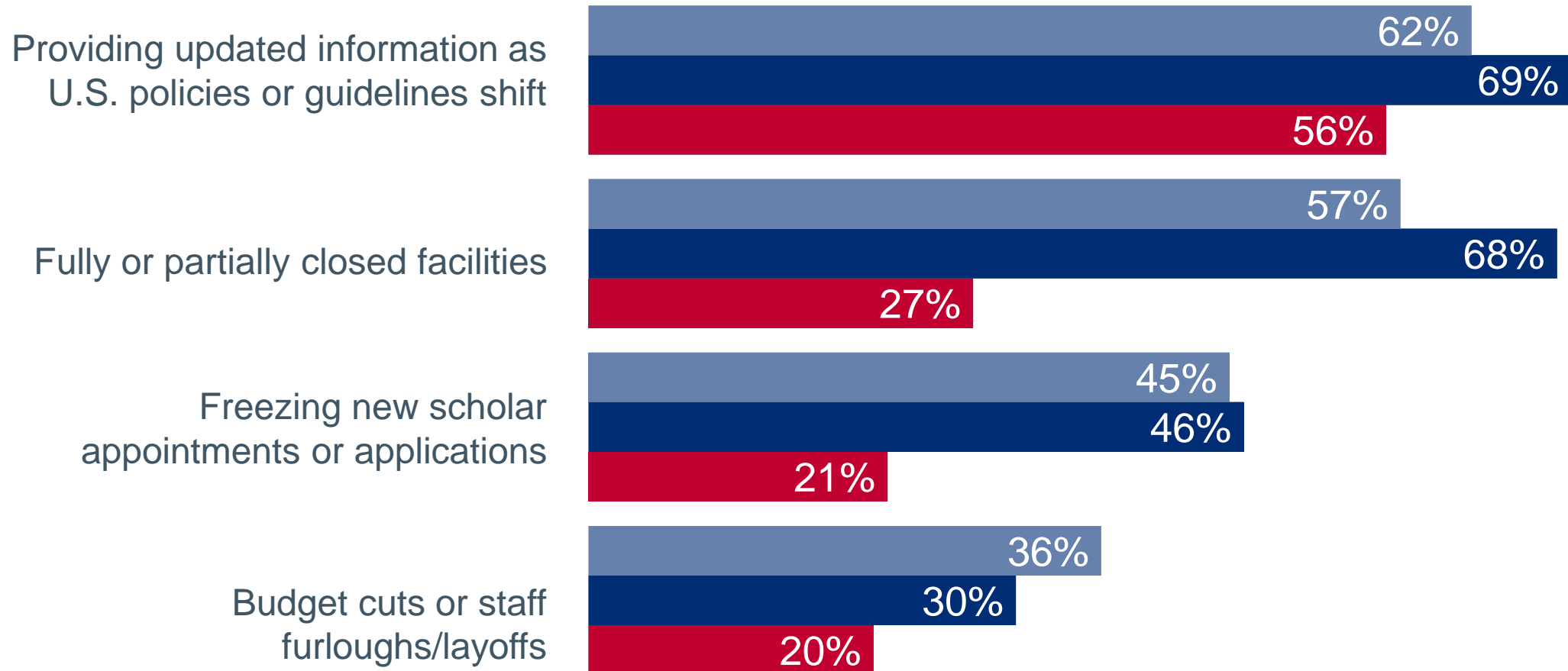
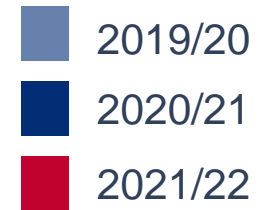
# Duration of International Scholar Appointments





Fewer institutions  
hosting international  
scholars reported  
adverse effects due  
to the COVID-19  
pandemic.

# Impacts Institutions Faced Related to International Scholars



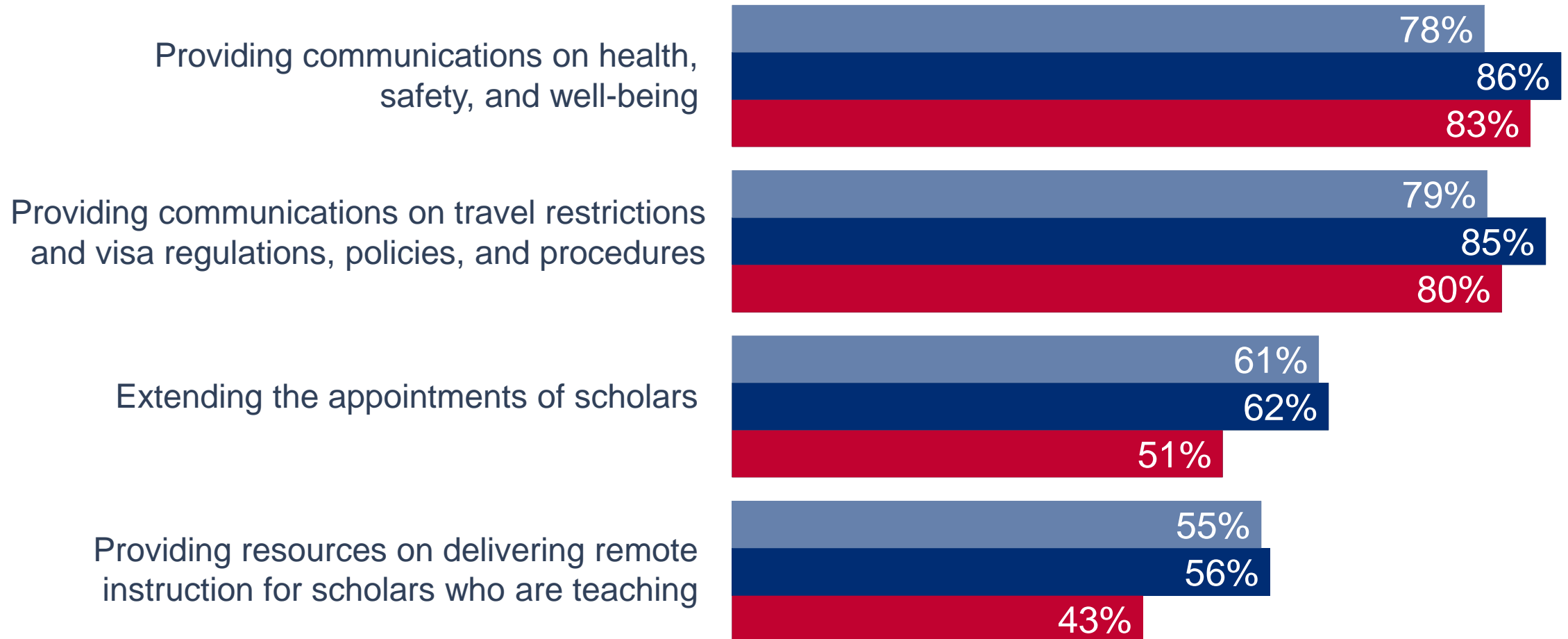
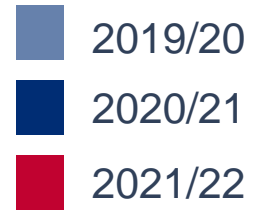


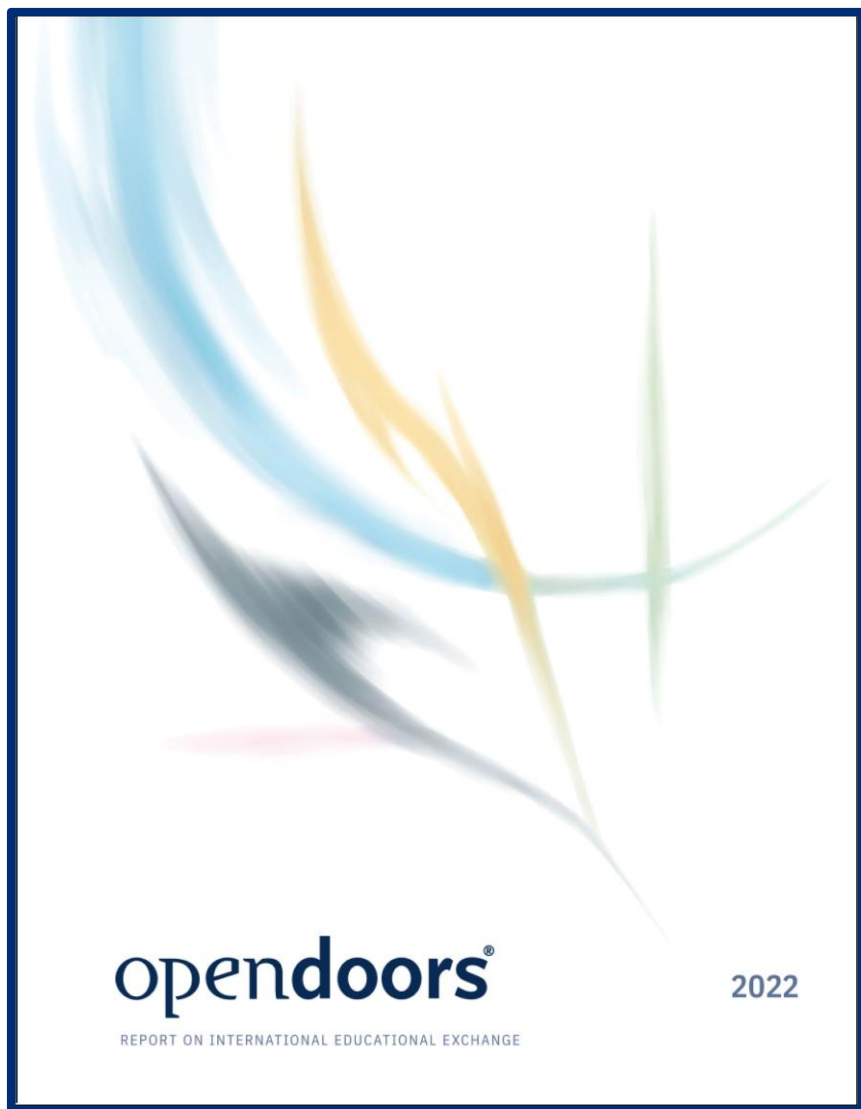
**95%** of institutions reported providing support to international scholars related to the COVID-19 pandemic in 2021/22.





# Support U.S. Institutions Provided to International Scholars Amid COVID-19



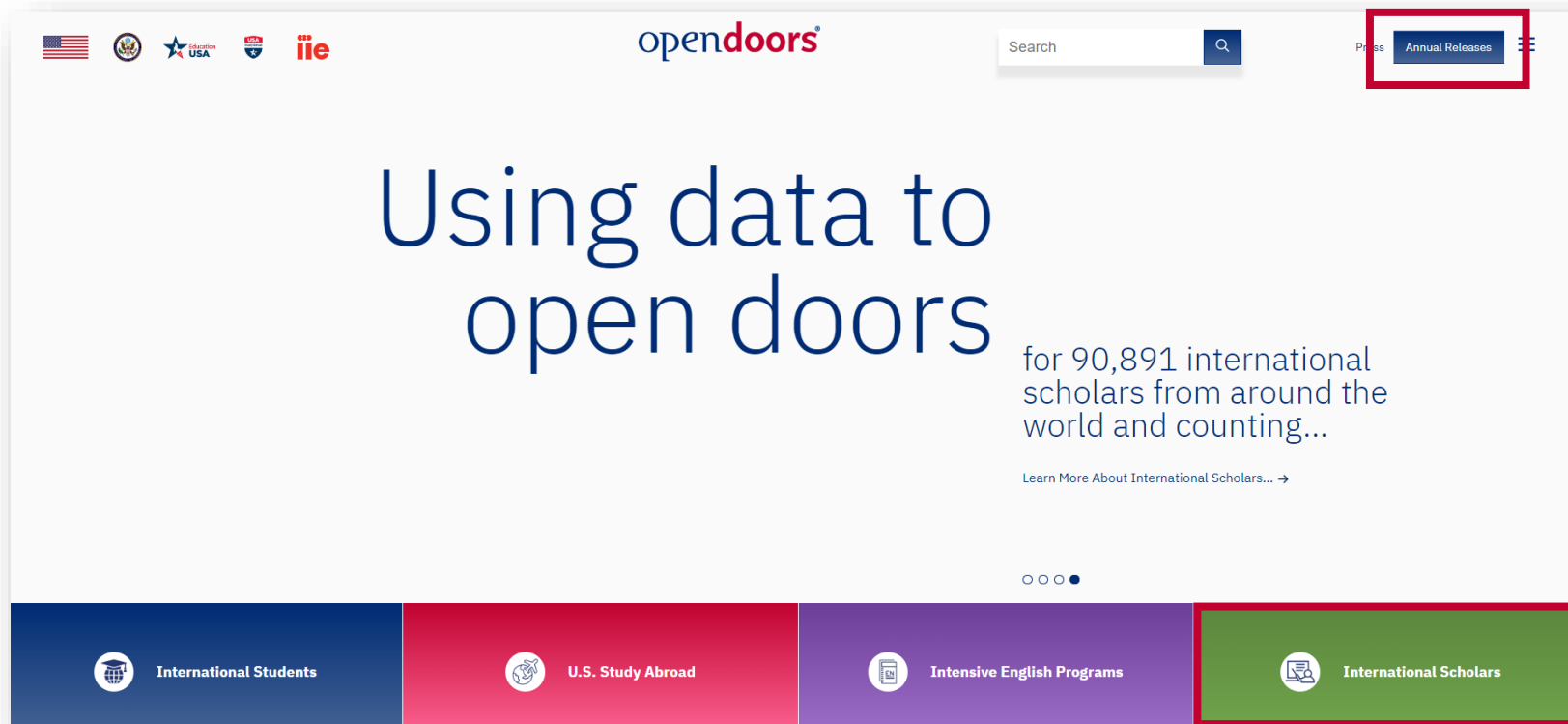


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