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## New to UBC 2022 Vancouver Undergraduates: Final Report

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This report shows findings from the New to UBC (NUBC) 2022 Survey on new UBC Vancouver undergraduate students first enrolling at UBC in September 2022. The data collection period was from August 8 to August 29, 2022.

UBCV	Invited new to UBCV undergraduates	Completed responses	Complete response rate	Complete + Partial <sup>1</sup> responses	Complete + Partial Response Rate
Direct-entry	7,430	2,873	39%	4,827	65%
Direct-entry, Domestic	4,886	1,882	39%	3,198	65%
Direct-entry, International	2,544	991	39%	1,629	64%

### BACKGROUND

The New to UBC (NUBC) survey is conducted annually of new, incoming undergraduate students of both UBC campuses, UBC Vancouver (UBCV) and UBC Okanagan (UBCO). The survey provides a snapshot of what new, incoming UBC undergraduate students have experienced before they begin their UBC studies in September, including information of their prior knowledge, abilities, points of view, and their perceived needs and concerns. This information helps the UBC administration in its efforts to support the students’ transition from high school or another post-secondary institution to UBC.

### METHODOLOGY

All new, incoming UBCV undergraduate students were invited to participate in the NUBC survey (N=9,237) online via email on August 8, 2022. Four reminders were sent, about every four to five days after the initial invitation to students who had not yet responded.

Both direct-entry undergraduate students entering UBCV from high school (N=7,430) and those transferring from another post-secondary institution (N=1,807) were invited. ***All analyses in this report focus on new direct-entry UBCV undergraduate students.***

The survey instrument in 2022 had slight revisions compared to 2021, with only the demographic section noticeably modified. However, the NUBC was significantly revised in 2021 to better align the questions with the current strategic priorities of UBC, reducing comparability to the 2020 version. The Executive summary contains some comparisons across 2020, 2021, and 2022 where possible, but the body of the report does not. Future comparisons will be available in an upcoming 2021-2022 NUBC comparison dashboard.

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<sup>1</sup> A partial response indicates the student started, but did not complete and submit the survey.

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## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

**Overall satisfaction with UBC.** New UBCV undergraduate students in 2022 report similar levels of satisfaction with their overall experience with UBC so far compared to 2021, for both domestic (2022: 72%, 2021: 72% 2020: 67%) and international (2022: 76%, 2021: 75%, 2020: 72%) students.

**UBC communications.** The majority of new UBCV undergraduate students feel that their communications from UBC are sent at the right time, for both domestic (2022: 58%, 2021: 55%) and international (2022: 70%, 2021: 70%) students. They are either satisfied with the total number of emails they receive from UBC for both domestic (2022 61%, 2021: 57%) and international (2022: 59%, 2021: 57%) students, or would prefer to receive email communication more often for both domestic (2022: 34%, 2021: 40%), international (2022: 38%, 2021: 40%) students.

NUBC respondents are generally satisfied with communications on what precautions UBC has taken to protect students and updates on how UBC is proceeding with COVID-19 for both domestic (2022: 61%, 2021: 59%) international (2022: 71%, 2021: 71%) students, although they are less satisfied with UBC's communication on regarding student housing for this year for both domestic (2022: 32%, 2021: 34%) and international (2022: 49%, 2021: 49%) students.

**Course registration.** New UBCV undergraduate students in 2022 report a positive overall experience registering for their classes. Both domestic (2022: 94%, 2021: 95%) and international (2022: 92%, 2021: 94%) students knew the date and time their course registration opened. Most felt that they had enough time to create their worklists for registration for both domestic (2022: 83%, 2021: 86%) and international (2022: 81%, 2021: 83%) students. The majority agreed they received course selection and registration support in a timely manner for both domestic (2022: 64%, 2021: 63%) and international (2022: 68%, 2021: 68%) students.

**What do undergraduate students want to get out of their UBC education?** (1) Finding a meaningful career, (2) personal growth and development, and (3) community, friendship, personal connection are the top 3 most important outcomes new UBCV undergraduate students want from their UBC education.

**Health and wellbeing.** Most new domestic UBCV undergraduate students say they currently have access to a family doctor or other specialists (2022: 82%, 2021: 82%) but international students report lower access (2022: 42%, 2021: 46%). While only a minority of domestic (2022: 17%, 2021: 16%) and international (2022: 18%, 2021: 16%) students are currently receiving or accessing mental health support, about half of domestic students (2022: 53%, 2021: 55%) and a significant minority of international (2022: 44%, 2021: 41%) students are concerned about their mental health while studying at UBC.

**Stress management.** New UBCV undergraduate students in 2021 and 2022 report less confidence in their ability to succeed in their courses than reported in 2020, for both domestic (2022: 55%, 2021: 56%, 2020: 61%) and international (2022: 66%, 2021: 68%, 2020: 72%) students. Similarly, domestic (2022: 54%, 2021: 53%, 2020: 68%) and international (2022: 66%, 2021: 68%, 2020: 74%) students still report less confidence in their ability to cope with the demands of life than in 2020.

**Living arrangements / Commute.** Most new domestic (2022: 68%, 2021: 61%) and international (2022: 83%, 2021: 76%) UBCV undergraduate students report they plan to live on campus. A small minority of

domestic (2022: 4%, 2021: 5%) and international (2022: 6%, 2021: 7%) students plan to live near campus but not in UBC managed housing. A minority of domestic students plan to live elsewhere in the Lower Mainland (2022: 26%, 2021: 33%) but only a small number of international (2022: 7%, 2021: 8%) students. Among students commuting, those that report they expect a commute of 30 minutes or less to UBCV are primarily international students (2022: 56%, 2021: 59%) rather than domestic (2022: 23%, 2021: 22%) students.

**Immigration issues.** In August, the majority of new international UBCV undergraduate students may have dealt with immigration issues:

- Most (2022: 87%, 2021: 83%) had applied for their study permit; a minority (2022: 11%, 2021: 13%) said they have not applied yet.
- A minority (2022: 19%, 2021: 13%) said they had applied for their study permit but were waiting “longer than normal” for their completed application to be processed;
- A smaller minority (2022: 13%, 2021: 9%) said they had applied recently and were waiting for their completed application to be processed;
- A few (2022: 2%, 2021: 2%) said they had applied but were waiting to give biometrics or take a medical exam.

#### **Funding / scholarship / concerns**

New UBCV undergraduate students generally rely on their parents to fund their tuition and living costs. On average, domestic students report they receive the majority (2022: 62%, 2021: 60%) of funding from their parents, and international students report higher figures (2022: 78%, 2021: 82%), similar to previous NUBC survey data. Of students who received a financial award from UBC, domestic students reported that even without a scholarship or financial award from UBC they would have been able to attend UBC (2022: 85%, 2021: 88% 2020: 90%). However, international students reported at a lower rate they would have been able to attend UBC in 2022 without a scholarship or bursary (2022: 80%, 2021: 79% 2020: 87%).

New undergraduate students report that they still would have chosen to attend UBC even if they had not received the UBC scholarship or financial award at a lower rate compared to 2020 results for both domestic (2022: 71%, 2021: 67% 2020: 75%) and international students (2022: 61%, 2021: 58% 2020: 69%).

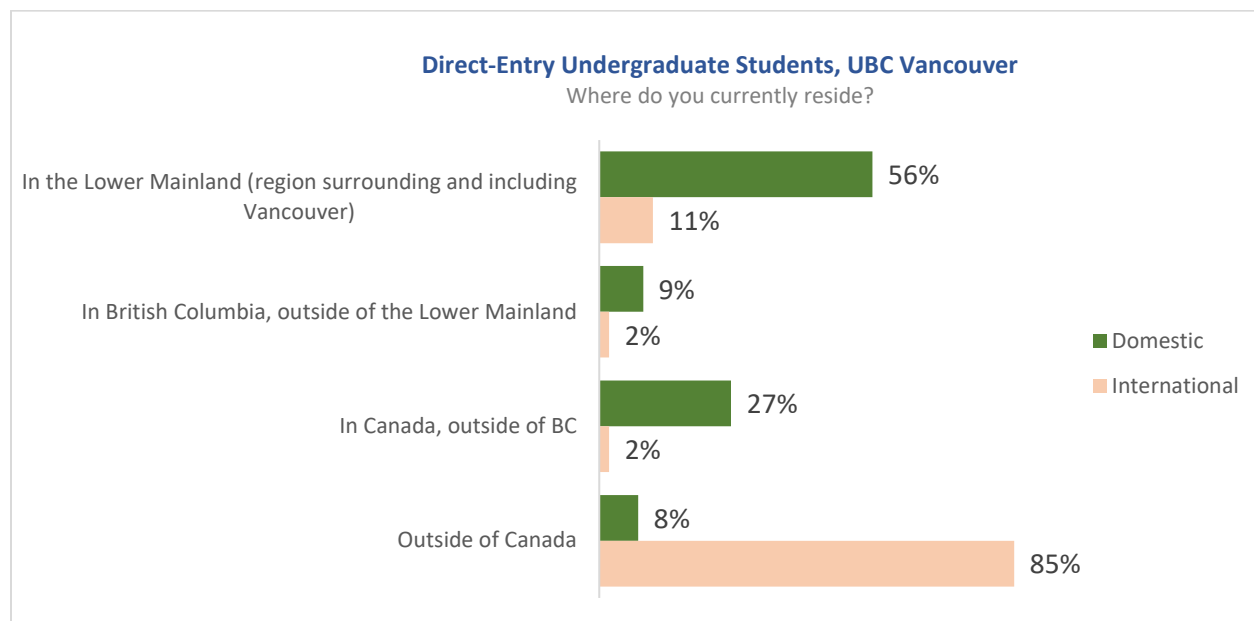
Similarly, students report a low degree of concern about their ability to finance their initial year at UBC for both domestic (2022: 10%, 2021: 10%, 2020: 12%) and international (2022: 16%, 2021: 14%, 2020: 23%) students.

## SUMMARY OF FINDINGS

The following analyses includes new direct-entry domestic and international UBCV undergraduate students.

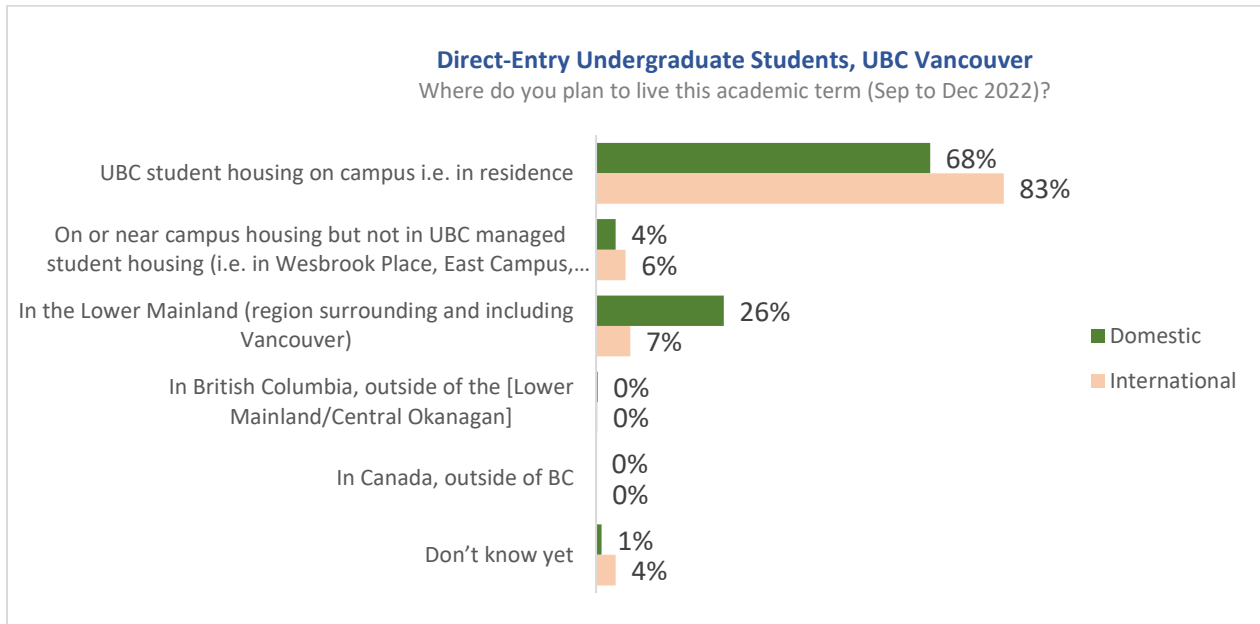
### Section 1: Where students live

The majority of new domestic UBCV undergraduate students report living in the Lower Mainland (56%), however the majority of international students report living outside of the Lower Mainland (85%) at the time of the survey.



UBCV	Domestic		International	
	%	n	%	n
In the Lower Mainland (region surrounding and including Vancouver)	56%	1796	11%	175
In British Columbia, outside of the Lower Mainland	9%	288	2%	37
In Canada, outside of BC	27%	850	2%	35
Outside of Canada	8%	263	85%	1382
<b>Total</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>3197</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>1629</b>

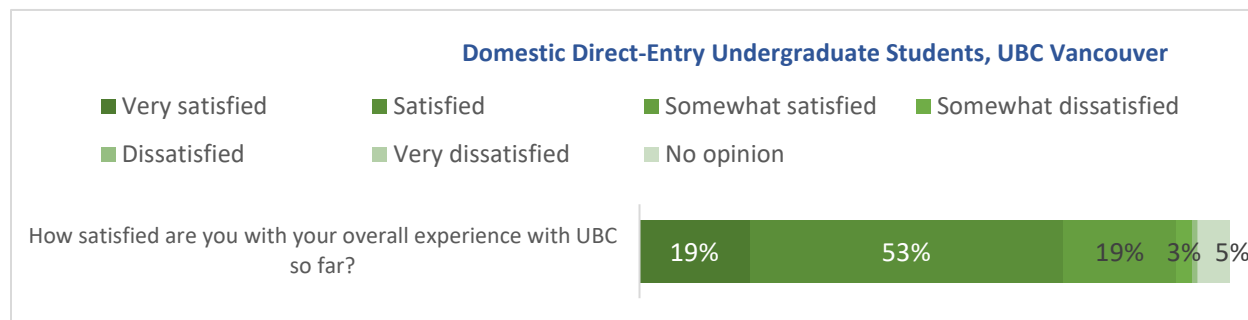
The majority of new to UBCV undergraduate students plan to live either in student housing or near to campus (domestic 72%, international 89%).



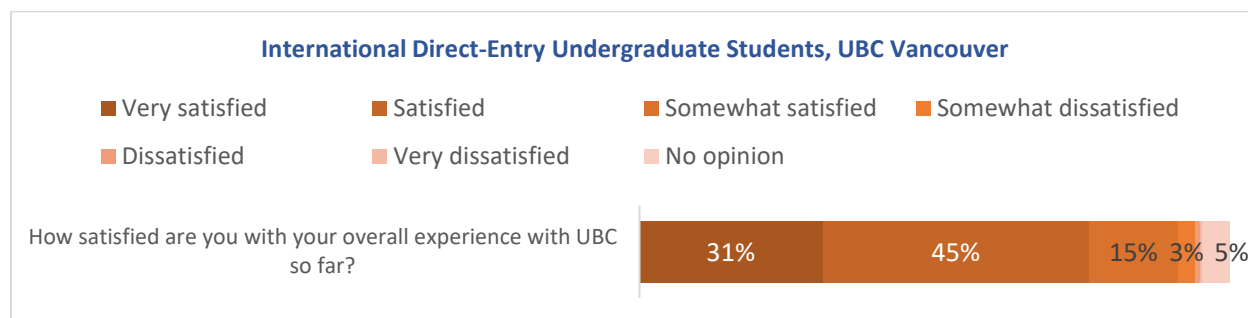
UBCV	Domestic		International	
	%	n	%	n
UBC student housing on campus i.e. in residence	68%	2287	83%	1347
On or near campus housing but not in UBC managed student housing (i.e. in Wesbrook Place, East Campus, the University Endowment Lands)	4%	184	6%	99
In the Lower Mainland (region surrounding and including Vancouver)	26%	1236	7%	113
In British Columbia, outside of the Lower Mainland	0%	12	0%	4
In Canada, outside of BC	0%	1	0%	1
Don't know yet	1%	39	4%	65
<b>Total</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>3197</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>1629</b>

## Section 2: Overall Experience

The majority of new UBCV undergraduate students report being “satisfied” or “very satisfied” with their experiences with UBC so far (72% domestic, 75% international).

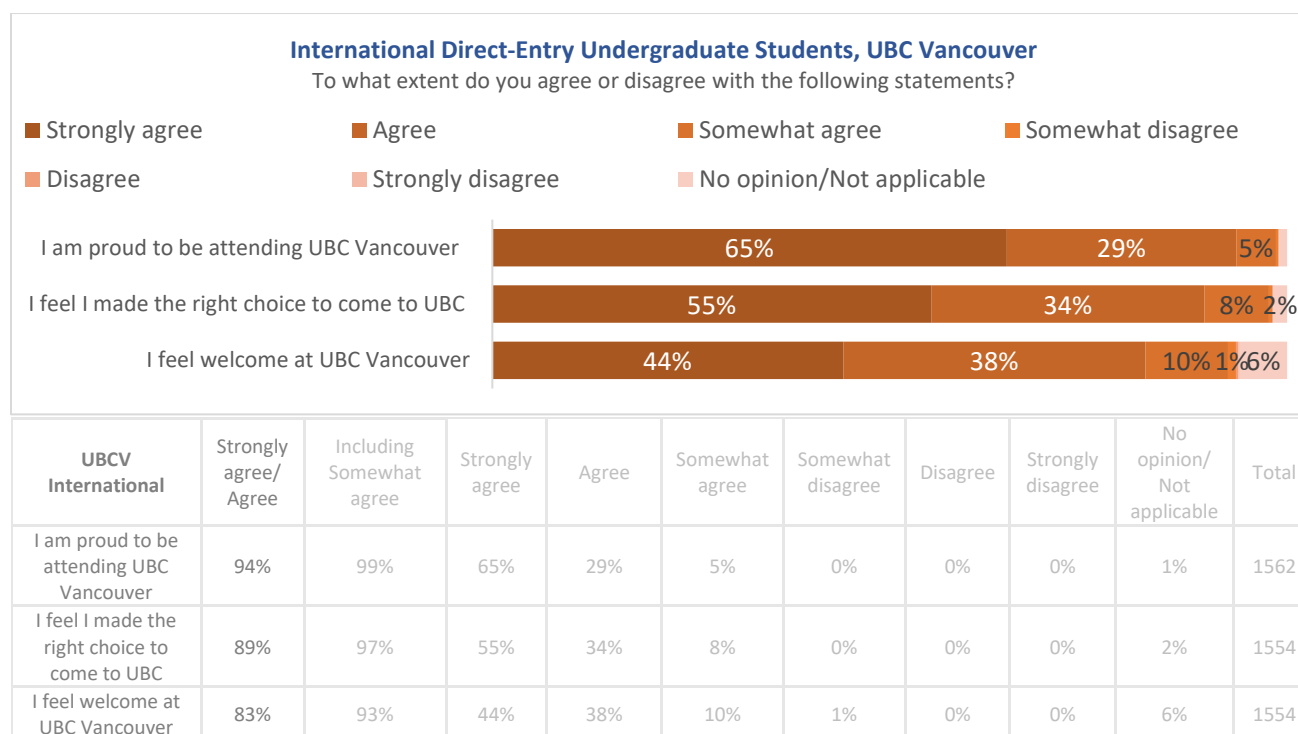
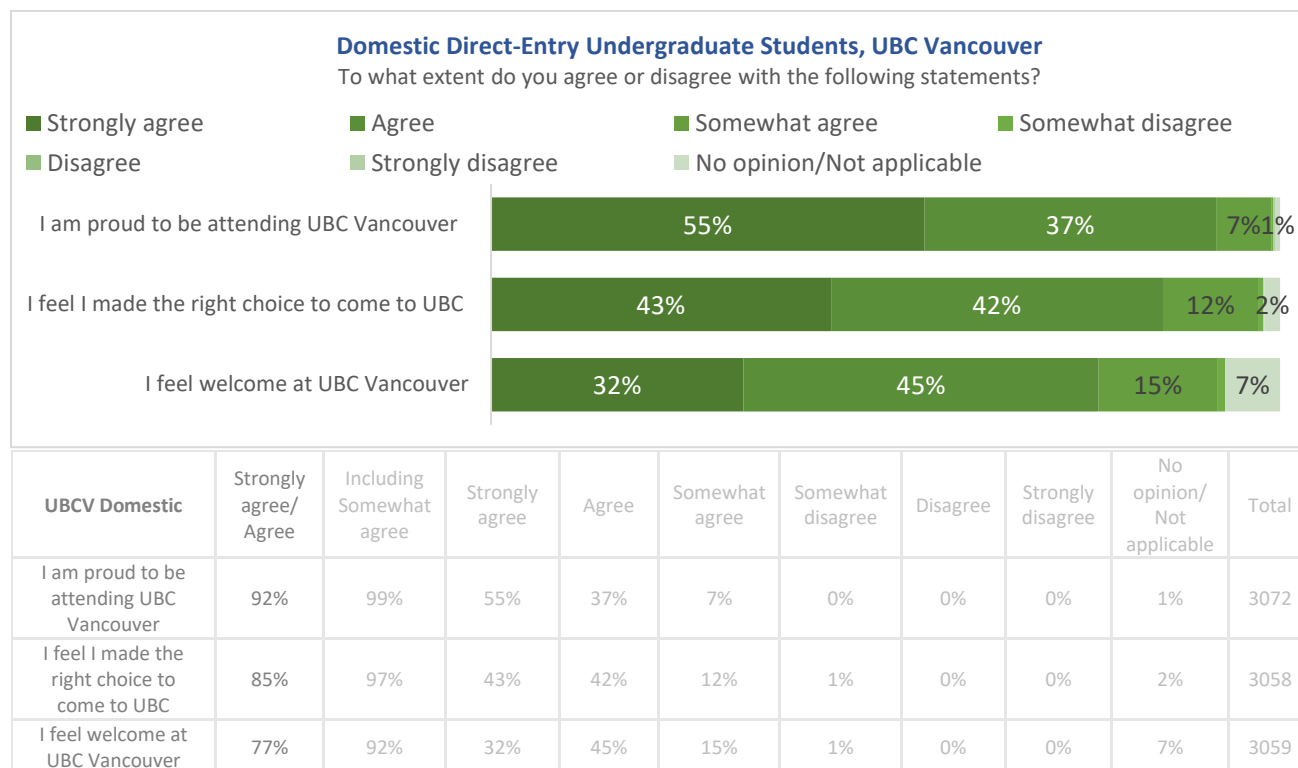


UBCV Domestic	Very satisfied/ Satisfied	Including somewhat satisfied	Very satisfied	Satisfied	Somewhat satisfied	Somewhat dissatisfied	Dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied	No opinion	Total
How satisfied are you with your overall experience with UBC so far?	72%	91%	19%	53%	19%	3%	1%	0%	5%	3071



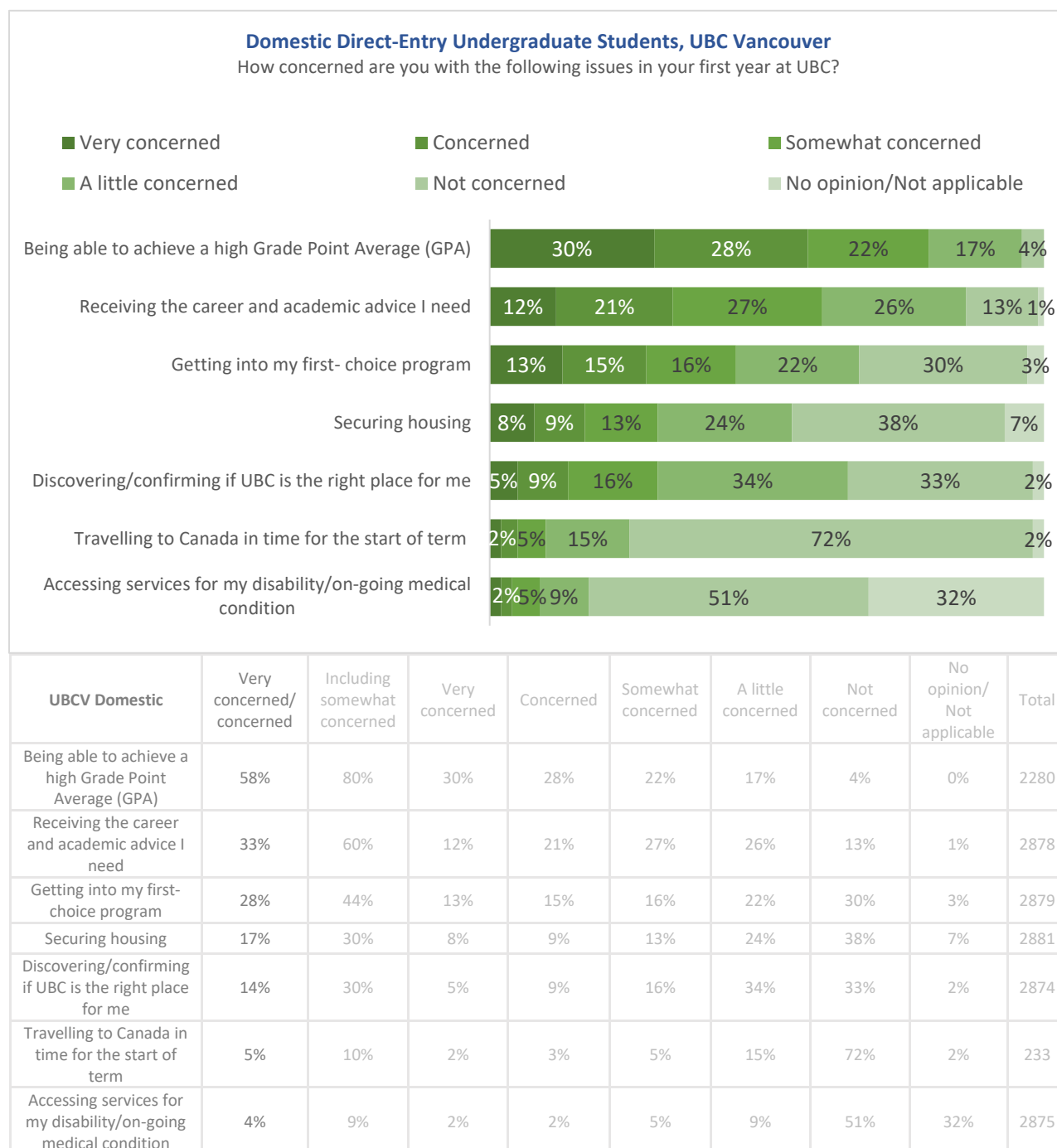
UBCV International	Very satisfied/ Satisfied	Including somewhat satisfied	Very satisfied	Satisfied	Somewhat satisfied	Somewhat dissatisfied	Dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied	No opinion	Total
How satisfied are you with your overall experience with UBC so far?	75%	91%	31%	45%	15%	3%	1%	0%	5%	1564

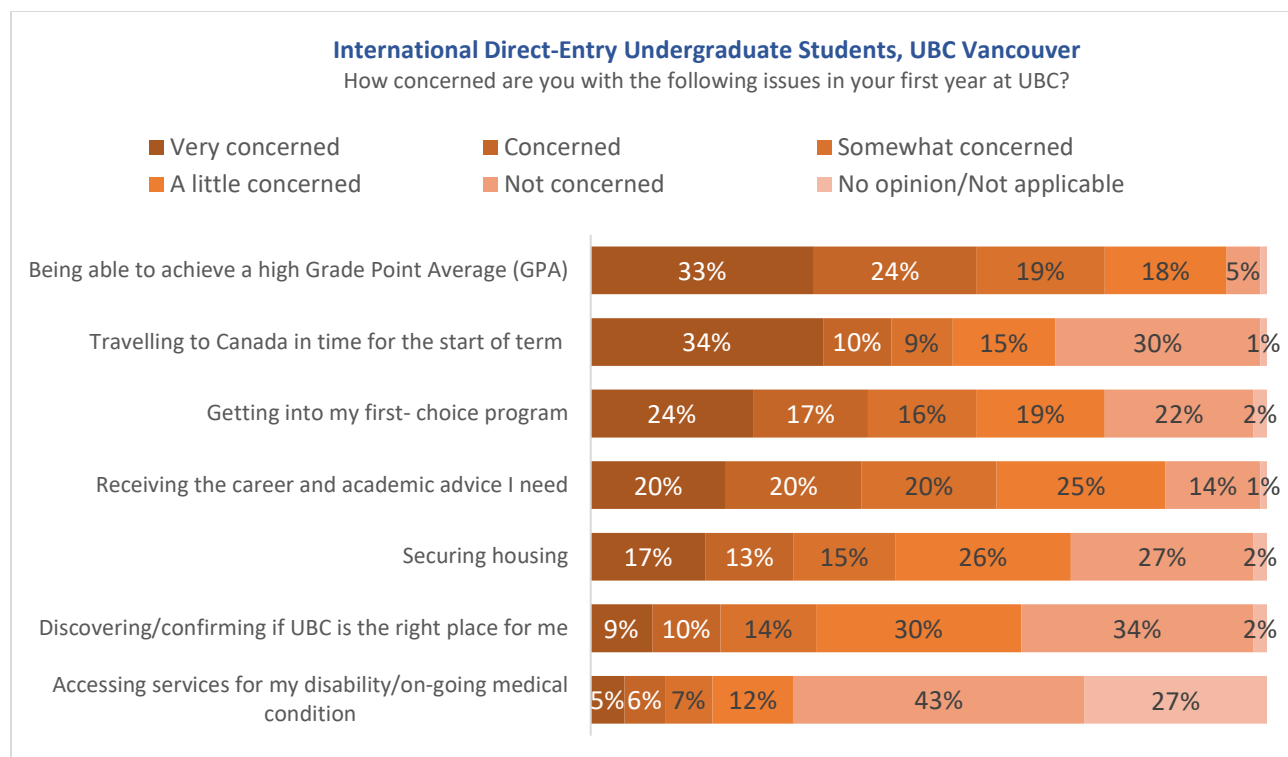
The majority of new UBCV undergraduate students feel quite positive about being a UBC student, as shown below.





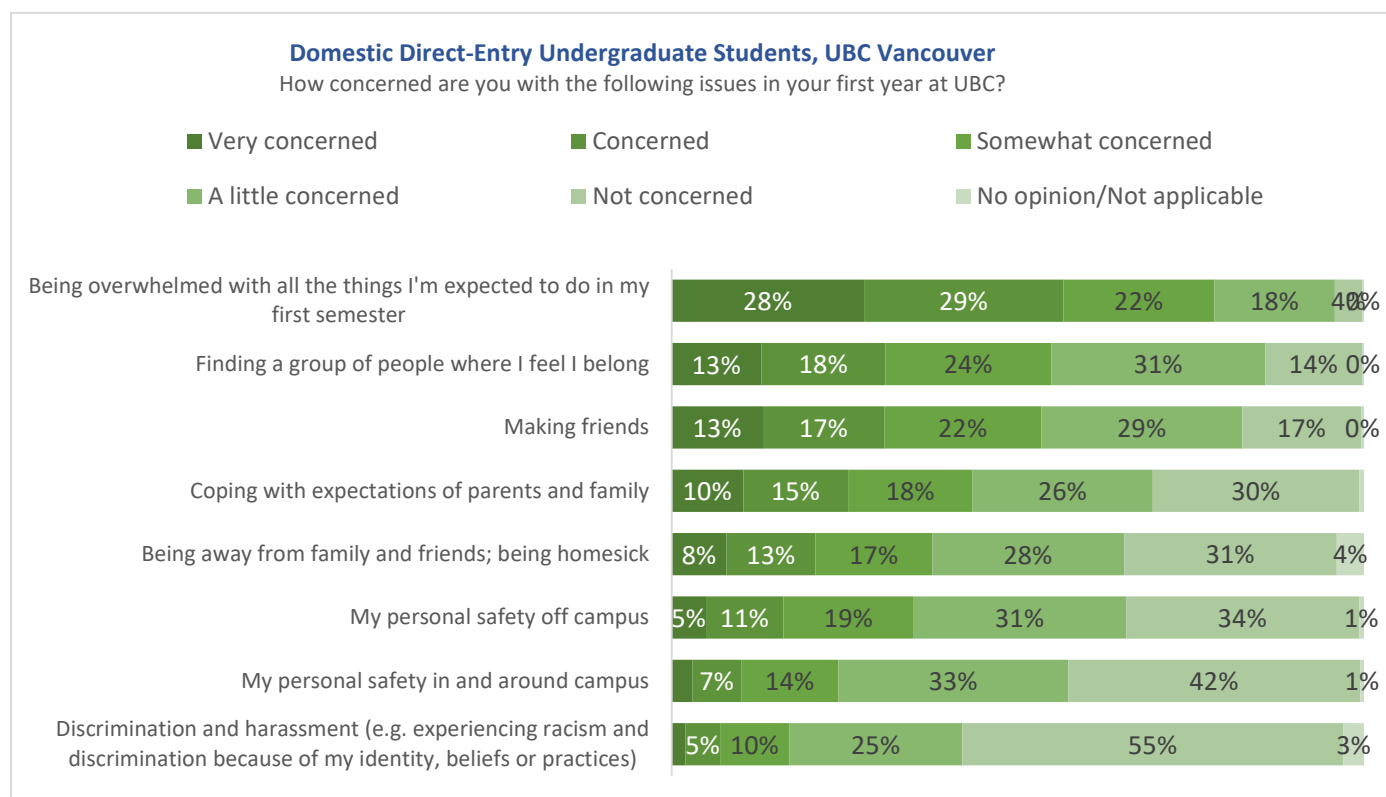
New UBCV undergraduate students rate themselves as most “concerned” or “very concerned” about being able to achieve a high GPA (58% domestic, 57% international). The second ranked concern for domestic students is receiving the career and academic advice they need (33%) while international students ranked travelling to Canada in time for the start of term (44%) as their second highest area of concern.



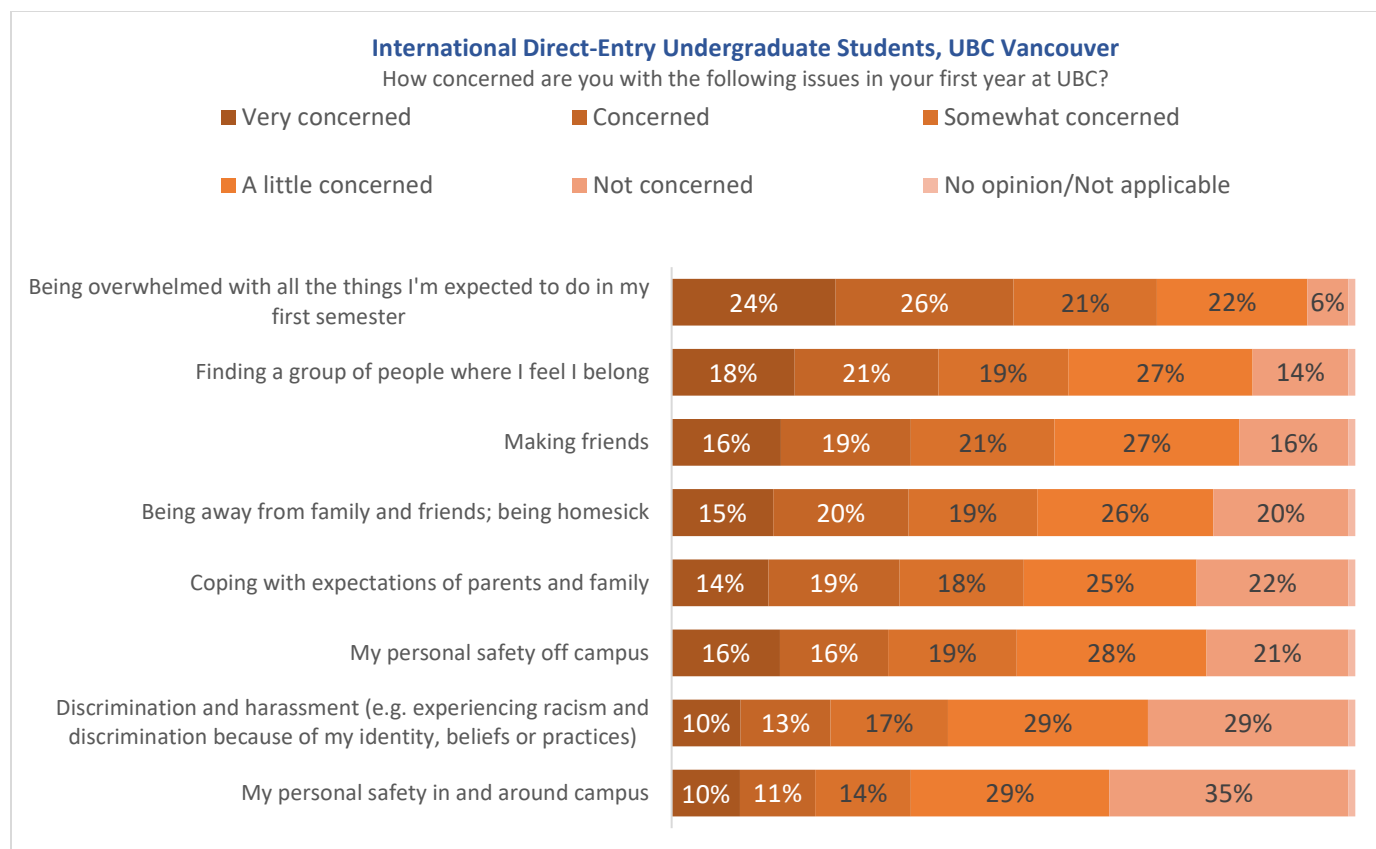


UBCV International	Very concerned/ concerned	Including somewhat concerned	Very concerned	Concerned	Somewhat concerned	A little concerned	Not concerned	No opinion/ Not applicable	Total
Being able to achieve a high Grade Point Average (GPA)	57%	76%	33%	24%	19%	18%	5%	1%	1440
Travelling to Canada in time for the start of term	44%	53%	34%	10%	9%	15%	30%	1%	1222
Getting into my first-choice program	41%	57%	24%	17%	16%	19%	22%	2%	1441
Receiving the career and academic advice I need	40%	60%	20%	20%	20%	25%	14%	1%	1439
Securing housing	30%	45%	17%	13%	15%	26%	27%	2%	1441
Discovering/confirming if UBC is the right place for me	19%	33%	9%	10%	14%	30%	34%	2%	1437
Accessing services for my disability/on-going medical condition	11%	18%	5%	6%	7%	12%	43%	27%	1441

In general, new to UBCV undergraduate students have some social concerns and are most likely to rate themselves as “concerned” or “very concerned” about being overwhelmed with all the things they’re expected to do in their first semester (57% domestic, 50% international). Coping with expectations of parents and family is more of a concern for international students than domestic students, as are personal safety, discrimination and harassment, and finding a group of people where they belong.



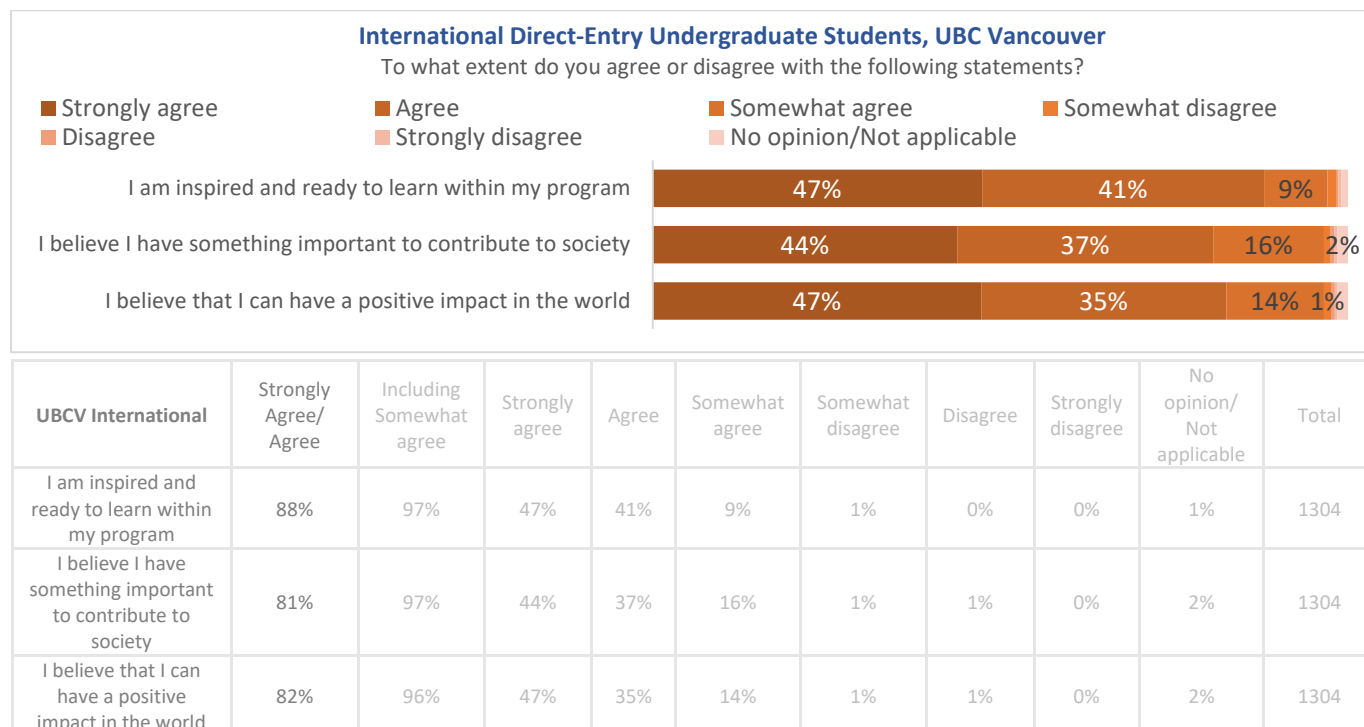
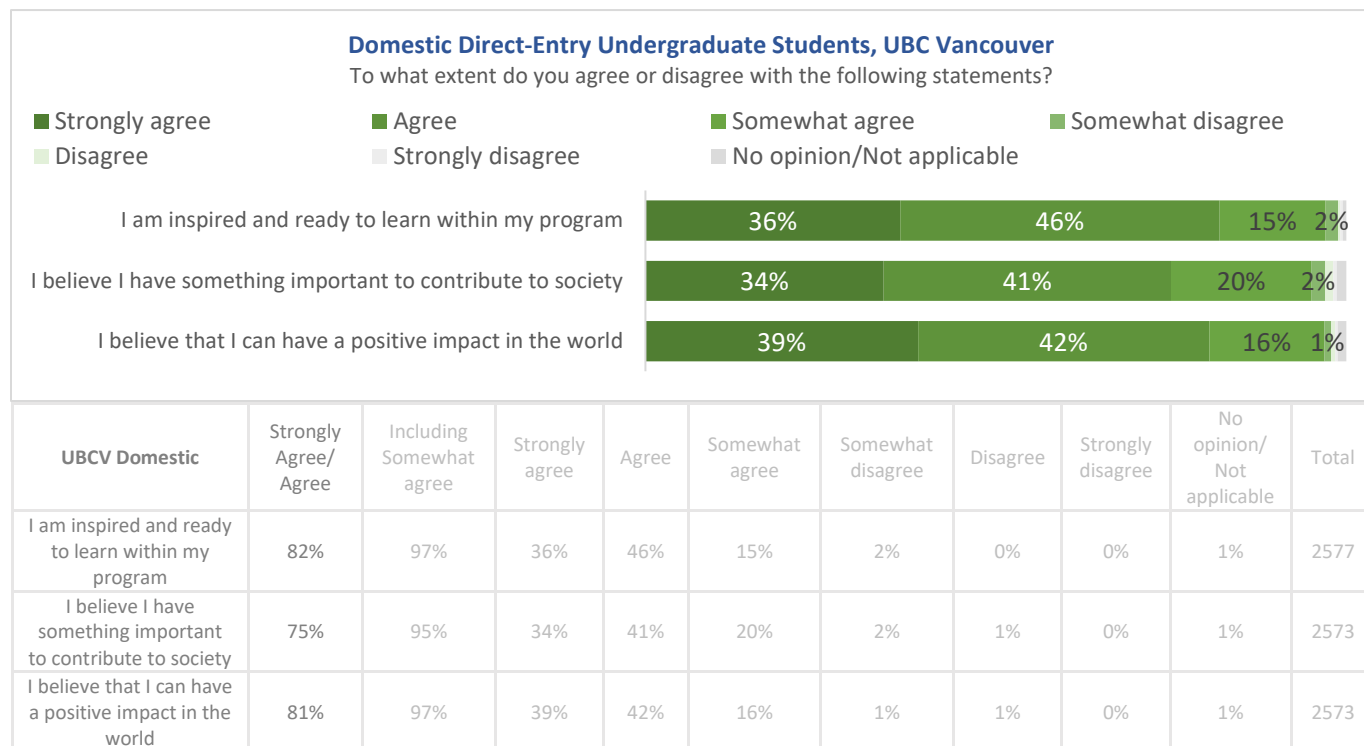
UBCV Domestic	Very concerned/ concerned	Including somewhat concerned	Very concerned	Concerned	Somewhat concerned	A little concerned	Not concerned	No opinion/ Not applicable	Total
Being overwhelmed with all the things I'm expected to do in my first semester	57%	79%	28%	29%	22%	18%	4%	0%	2877
Finding a group of people where I feel I belong	31%	55%	13%	18%	24%	31%	14%	0%	2878
Making friends	30%	53%	13%	17%	22%	29%	17%	0%	2881
Coping with expectations of parents and family	25%	43%	10%	15%	18%	26%	30%	1%	2880
Being away from family and friends; being homesick	21%	38%	8%	13%	17%	28%	31%	4%	2880
My personal safety off campus	16%	35%	5%	11%	19%	31%	34%	1%	2876
My personal safety in and around campus	10%	24%	3%	7%	14%	33%	42%	1%	2877
Discrimination and harassment	7%	17%	2%	5%	10%	25%	55%	3%	2875



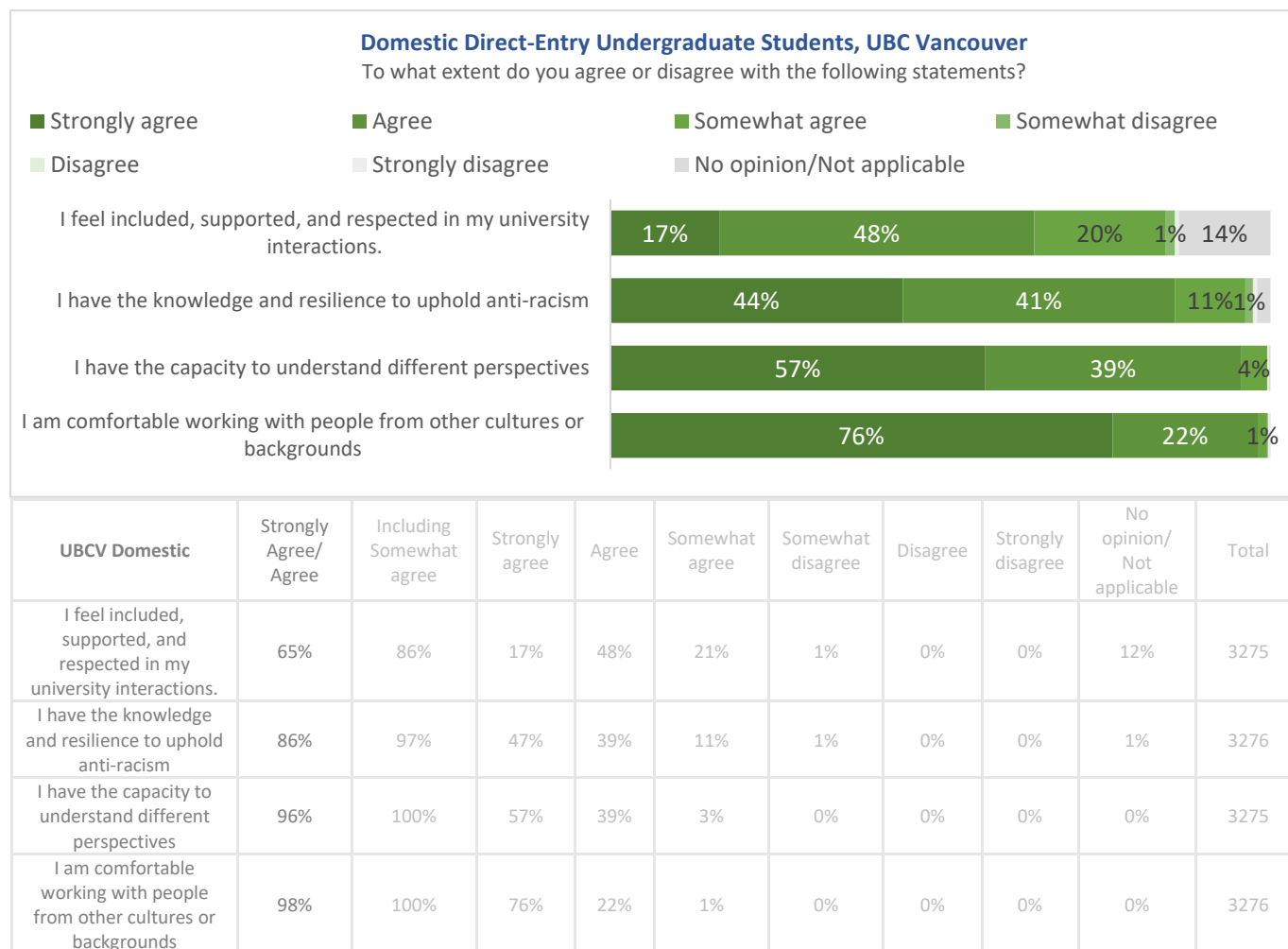
UBCV International	Very concerned/ concerned	Including somewhat concerned	Very concerned	Concerned	Somewhat concerned	A little concerned	Not concerned	No opinion/ Not applicable	Total
Being overwhelmed with all the things I'm expected to do in my first semester	50%	71%	24%	26%	21%	22%	6%	1%	1444
Finding a group of people where I feel I belong	39%	58%	18%	21%	19%	27%	14%	1%	1445
Making friends	35%	56%	16%	19%	21%	27%	16%	1%	1441
Being away from family and friends; being homesick	35%	54%	15%	20%	19%	26%	20%	1%	1445
Coping with expectations of parents and family	33%	51%	14%	19%	18%	25%	22%	1%	1442
My personal safety off campus	32%	51%	16%	16%	19%	28%	21%	1%	1443
Discrimination and harassment	23%	40%	10%	13%	17%	29%	29%	1%	1444
My personal safety in and around campus	21%	35%	10%	11%	14%	29%	35%	1%	1444
Being overwhelmed with all the things I'm expected to do in my first semester	50%	71%	24%	26%	21%	22%	6%	1%	1444

### Section 3: Student Mindset

The majority of new UBCV undergraduate students have a very positive mindset about the future and their education as shown below.



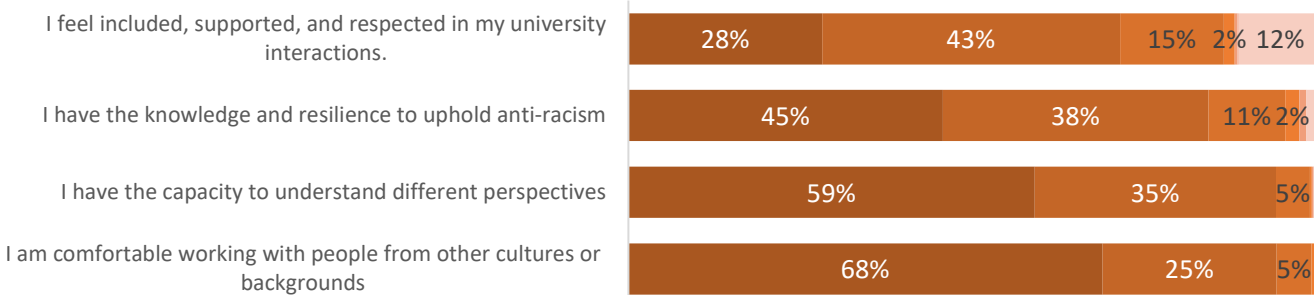
New UBCV undergraduate students are less agreeable with the statement “I feel included, supported, and respected in my university interactions,” compared to the strong levels of agreement to the other statements.



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To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements?

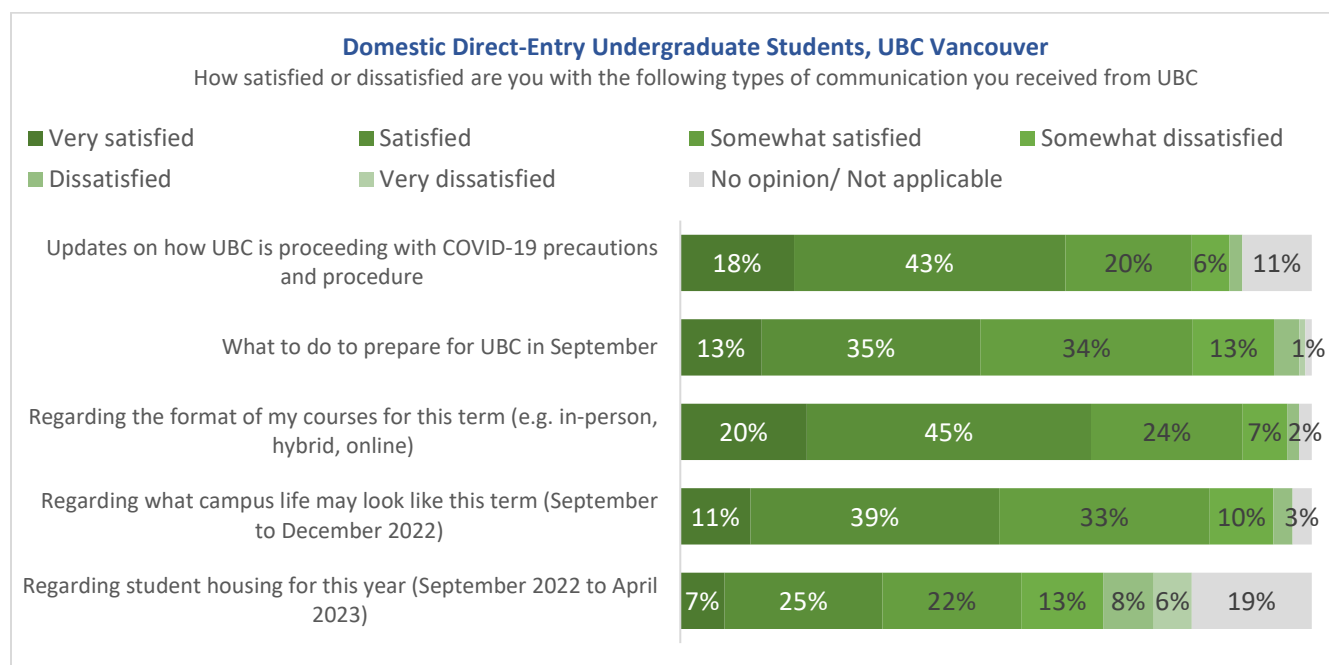
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- Somewhat agree
- Somewhat disagree
- Disagree
- Strongly disagree
- No opinion/Not applicable



UBCV International	Strongly Agree/ Agree	Including Somewhat agree	Strongly agree	Agree	Somewhat agree	Somewhat disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	No opinion/ Not applicable	Total
I feel included, supported, and respected in my university interactions.	71%	86%	28%	43%	15%	2%	0%	0%	12%	1302
I have the knowledge and resilience to uphold anti-racism	83%	94%	45%	38%	11%	2%	1%	0%	2%	1298
I have the capacity to understand different perspectives	94%	99%	59%	35%	5%	0%	0%	0%	1%	1299
I am comfortable working with people from other cultures or backgrounds	93%	98%	68%	25%	5%	0%	0%	0%	1%	1299

## Section 4: UBC Communications

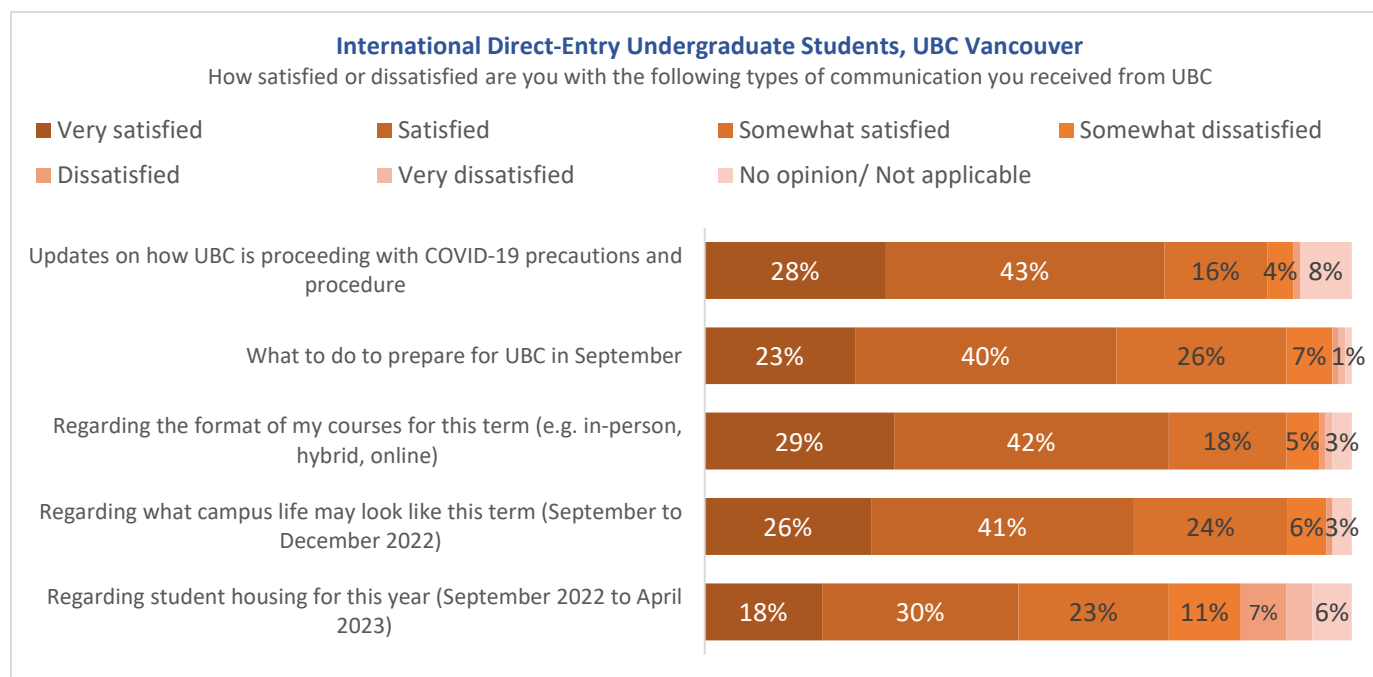
The majority of new domestic UBCV undergraduate students rate themselves as “Satisfied” or “Very Satisfied” with communications from UBC with the exceptions of communications regarding student housing (32%) and what to do to prepare for UBC in September (48%).



UBCV Domestic	Very satisfied/ Satisfied	Including somewhat satisfied	Very satisfied	Satisfied	Somewhat satisfied	Somewhat dissatisfied	Dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied	No opinion/ Not applicable	Total
Updates on how UBC is proceeding with COVID-19 precautions and procedure	61%	81%	18%	43%	20%	6%	2%	0%	11%	2352
What to do to prepare for UBC in September	48%	82%	13%	35%	34%	13%	4%	1%	1%	2352
Regarding the format of my courses for this term (e.g., in-person, hybrid, online)	65%	89%	20%	45%	24%	7%	2%	0%	2%	2352
Regarding what campus life may look like this term (September to December 2022)	50%	83%	11%	39%	33%	10%	3%	0%	3%	2353
Regarding student housing for this year (September 2022 to April 2023)	32%	54%	7%	25%	22%	13%	8%	6%	19%	2349

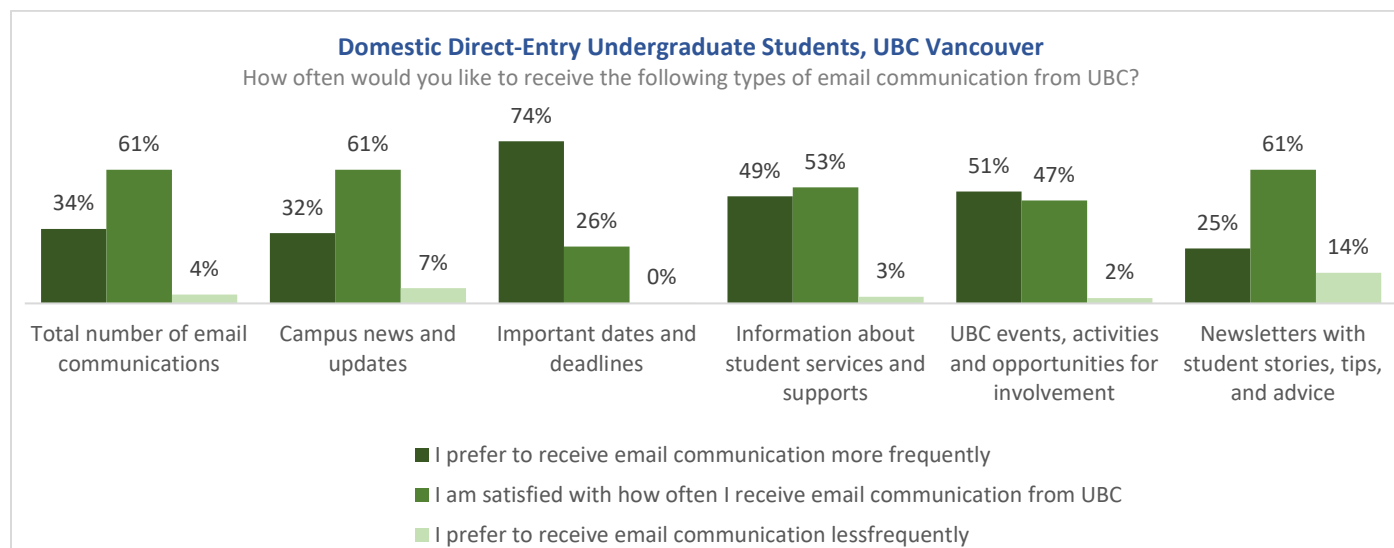


The majority of new international UBCV undergraduate students rate themselves as “Satisfied” or “Very Satisfied” with communications from UBC apart from communications regarding student housing (48%).

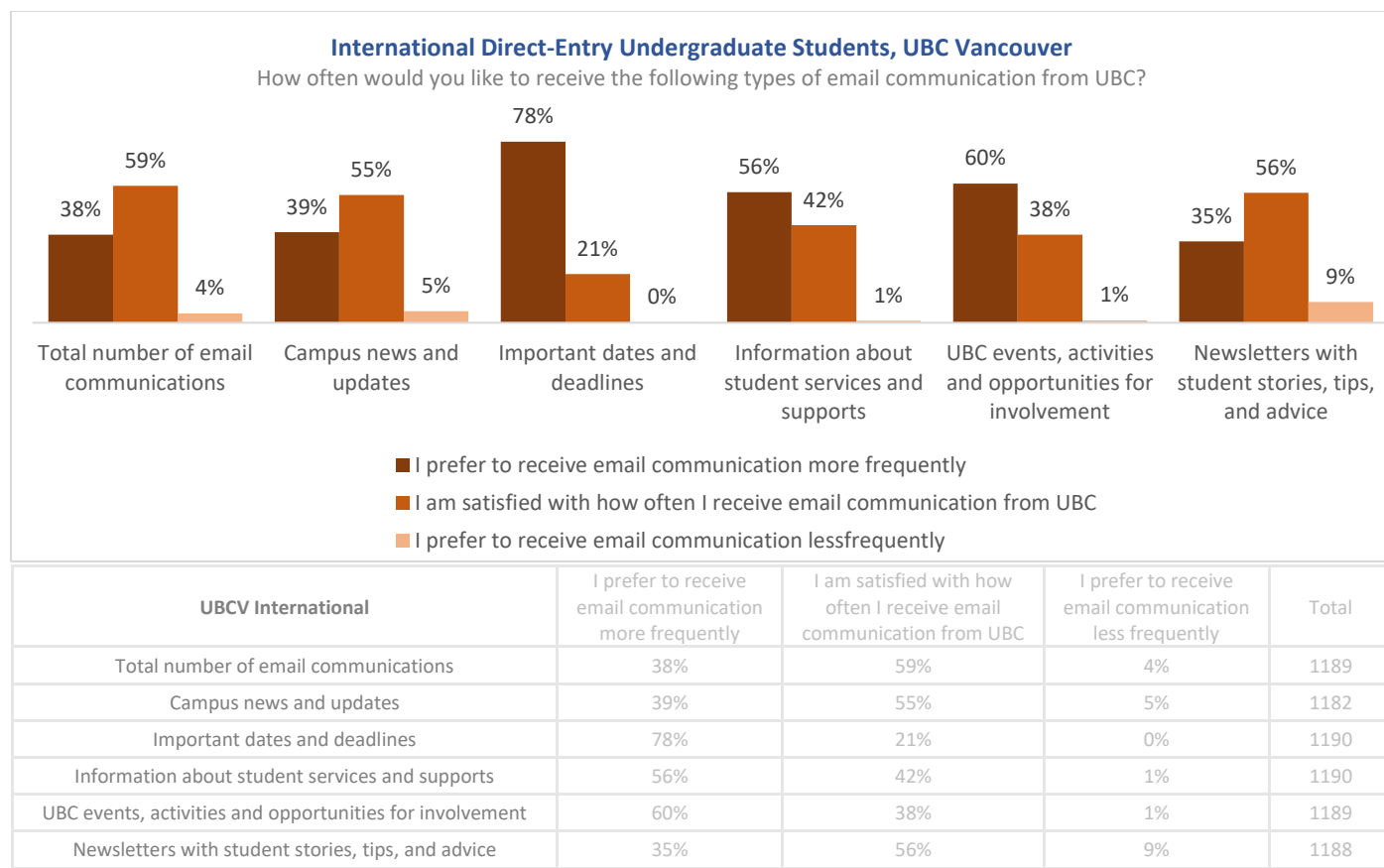


UBCV International	Very satisfied/ Satisfied	Including somewhat satisfied	Very satisfied	Satisfied	Somewhat satisfied	Somewhat dissatisfied	Dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied	No opinion/ Not applicable	Total
Updates on how UBC is proceeding with COVID-19 precautions and procedure	71%	87%	28%	43%	16%	4%	1%	0%	8%	1191
What to do to prepare for UBC in September	63%	89%	23%	40%	26%	7%	1%	1%	1%	1189
Regarding the format of my courses for this term (e.g. in-person, hybrid, online)	71%	89%	29%	42%	18%	5%	1%	1%	3%	1186
Regarding what campus life may look like this term (September to December 2022)	67%	91%	26%	41%	24%	6%	1%	0%	3%	1189
Regarding student housing for this year (September 2022 to April 2023)	48%	71%	18%	30%	23%	11%	7%	4%	6%	1187

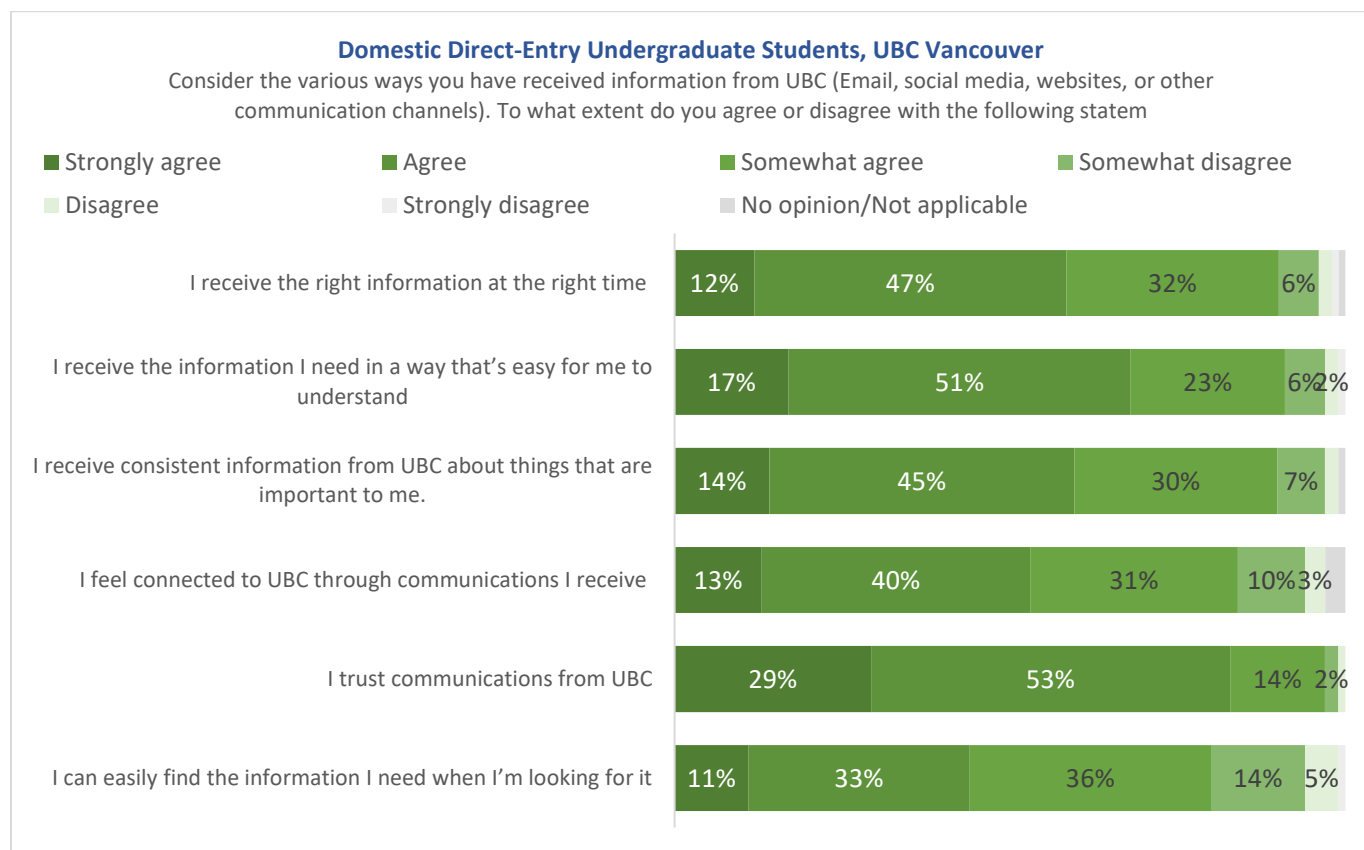
Regarding the amount of communication, new UBCV undergraduate students report they would prefer more communication for important dates and deadlines (74% domestic, 78% international), UBC events, activities and opportunities for involvement (51% domestic, 60% international) or information about student services and supports (49% domestic, 56% international).



UBCV Domestic	I prefer to receive email communication more frequently	I am satisfied with how often I receive email communication from UBC	I prefer to receive email communication less frequently	Total
Total number of email communications	34%	61%	4%	2352
Campus news and updates	32%	61%	7%	2350
Important dates and deadlines	74%	26%	0%	2348
Information about student services and supports	49%	53%	3%	2347
UBC events, activities and opportunities for involvement	51%	47%	2%	2350
Newsletters with student stories, tips, and advice	25%	61%	14%	2346



New UBCV undergraduate students generally “Agree” or “Strongly Agree” that they receive effective communications from UBC, with the least agreement that they easily find the information they need when they are looking for it (44% domestic, 61% international).

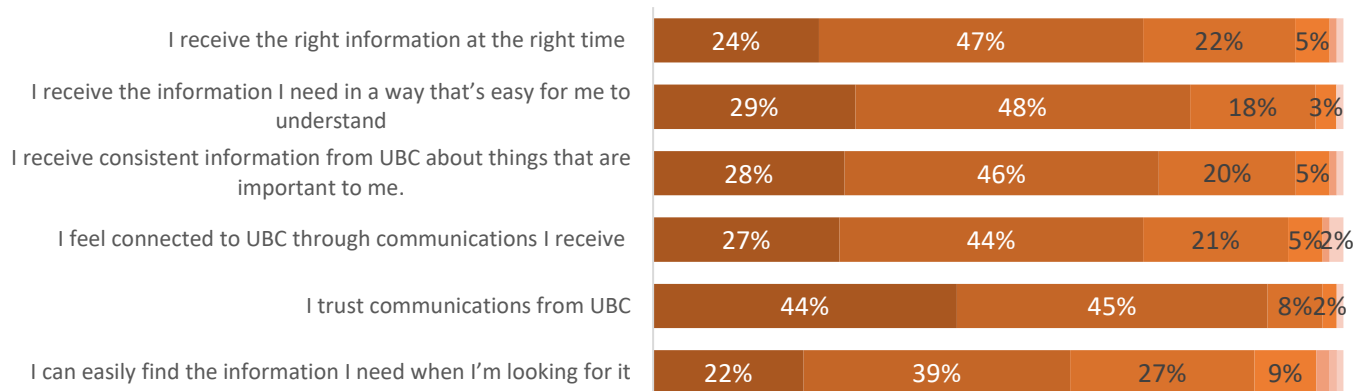


UBCV Domestic	Strongly Agree/Agree	Including Somewhat agree	Strongly agree	Agree	Somewhat agree	Somewhat disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	No opinion/Not applicable	Total
I receive the right information at the right time	59%	91%	12%	47%	32%	6%	2%	1%	1%	2357
I receive the information I need in a way that's easy for me to understand	68%	91%	17%	51%	23%	6%	2%	1%	0%	2357
I receive consistent information from UBC about things that are important to me.	59%	89%	14%	45%	30%	7%	2%	0%	1%	2352
I feel connected to UBC through communications I receive	53%	84%	13%	40%	31%	10%	3%	0%	3%	2350
I trust communications from UBC	82%	96%	29%	53%	14%	2%	1%	0%	0%	2349
I can easily find the information I need when I'm looking for it	44%	80%	11%	33%	36%	14%	5%	1%	0%	2350

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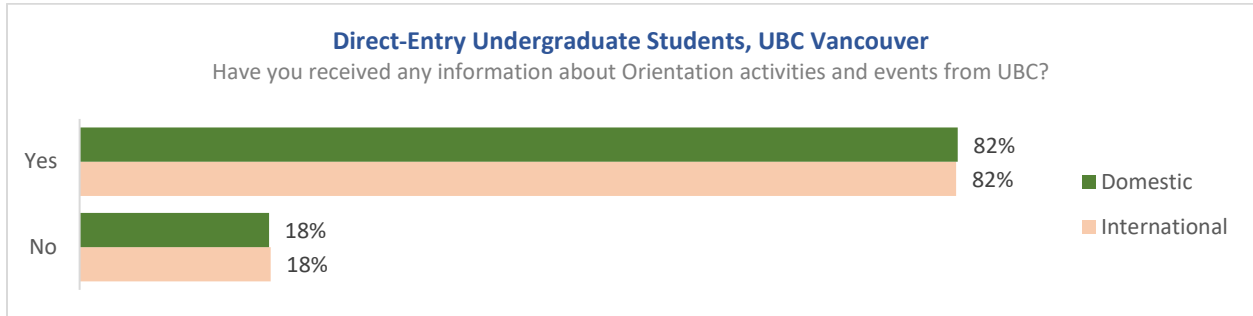
Consider the various ways you have received information from UBC (Email, social media, websites, or other communication channels). To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following s

- Strongly agree                      ■ Agree                                      ■ Somewhat agree                      ■ Somewhat disagree
- Disagree                              ■ Strongly disagree                      ■ No opinion/Not applicable



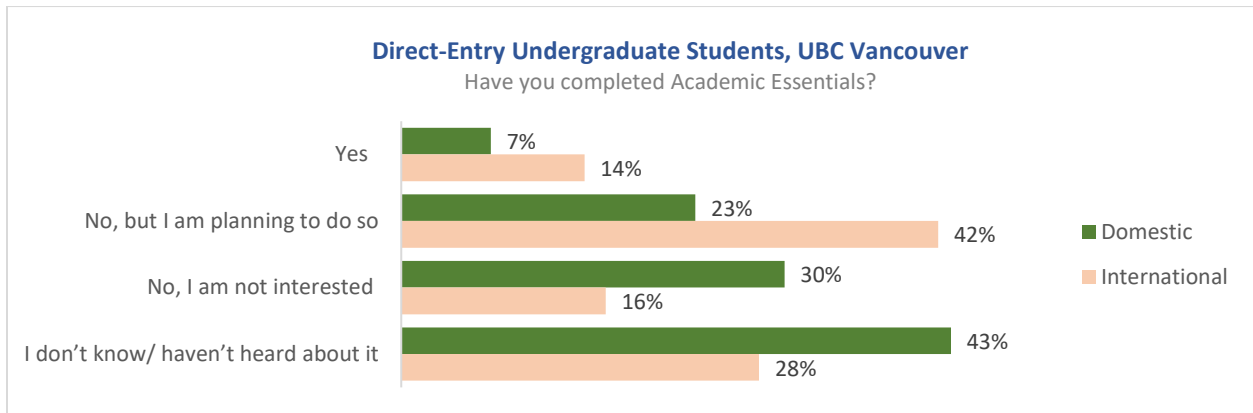
UBCV International	Strongly Agree/ Agree	Including Somewhat agree	Strongly agree	Agree	Somewhat agree	Somewhat disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	No opinion/ Not applicable	Total
I receive the right information at the right time	71%	93%	24%	47%	22%	5%	1%	0%	1%	1187
I receive the information I need in a way that's easy for me to understand	77%	95%	29%	48%	18%	3%	0%	0%	1%	1187
I receive consistent information from UBC about things that are important to me.	74%	94%	28%	46%	20%	5%	1%	0%	1%	1188
I feel connected to UBC through communications I receive	71%	92%	27%	44%	21%	5%	1%	0%	2%	1188
I trust communications from UBC	89%	97%	44%	45%	8%	2%	0%	0%	1%	1187
I can easily find the information I need when I'm looking for it	61%	88%	22%	39%	27%	9%	2%	1%	1%	1187

Most new UBCV undergraduate students have received information about Orientation activities and events from UBC (82% domestic, 82% international).



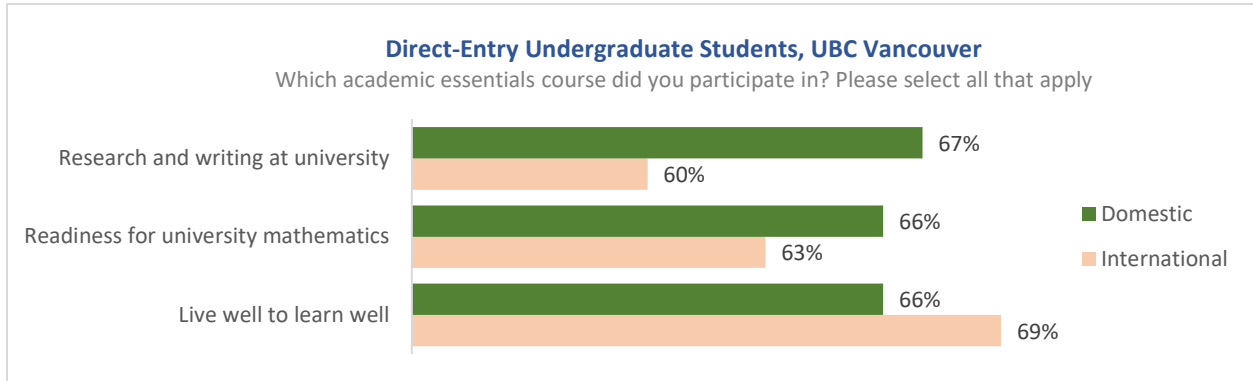
UBCV	Domestic	International
Yes	82%	82%
No	18%	18%
Total	2338	1185

A noticeable number of new UBCV undergraduate students have not heard of Academic Essentials, a set of three academic preparation courses that start in July before the fall semester (43% domestic, 28% international).



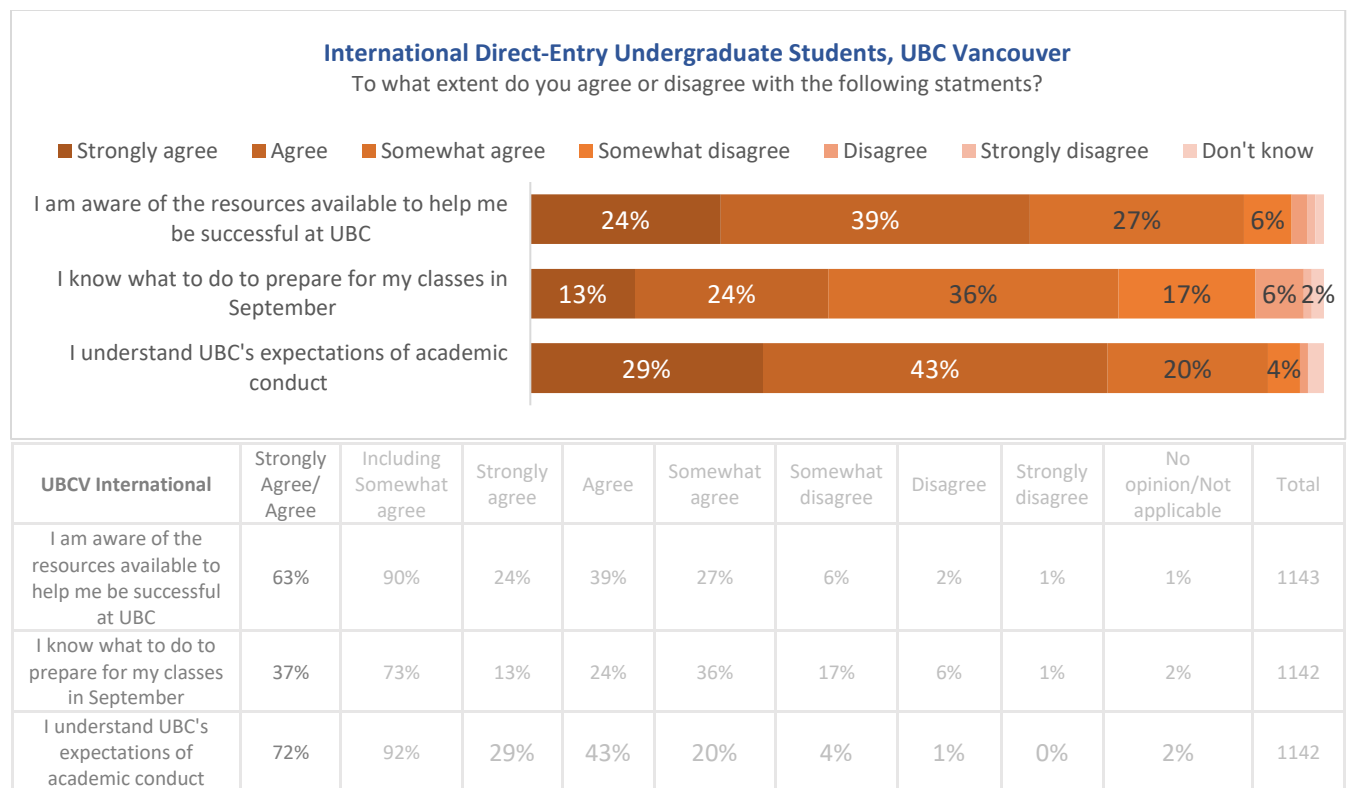
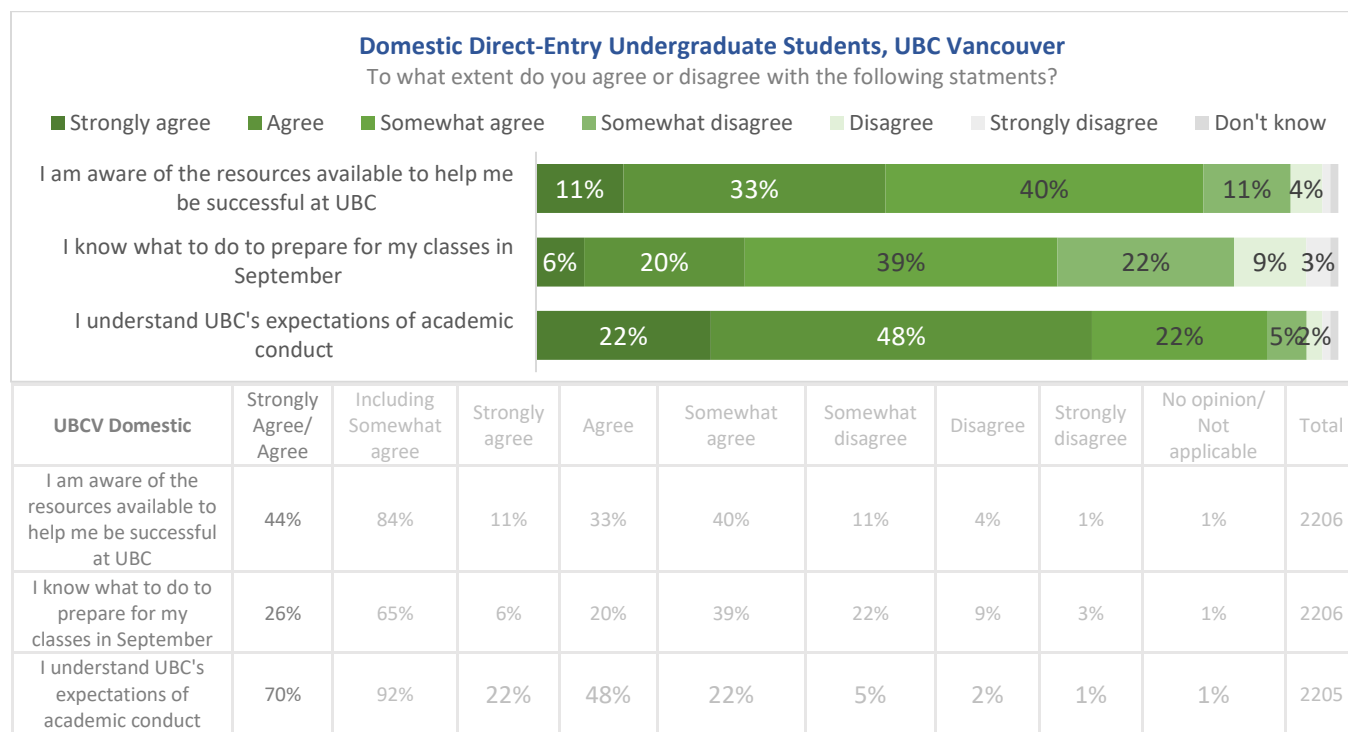
UBCV	Domestic	International
Yes	7%	14%
No, but I am planning to do so	23%	42%
No, I am not interested	30%	16%
I don't know/ haven't heard about it	43%	28%
Total	2325	1180

Of new to UBCV undergraduate students who indicated that they did enroll in Academic Essentials, domestic students enrolled in each course at similar rates, whereas international students were least likely to report they enrolled in Research and writing at university (60%).



UBCV	Domestic	International
Live well to learn well	66%	69%
Readiness for university mathematics	66%	63%
Research and writing at university	67%	60%
Total	125	149

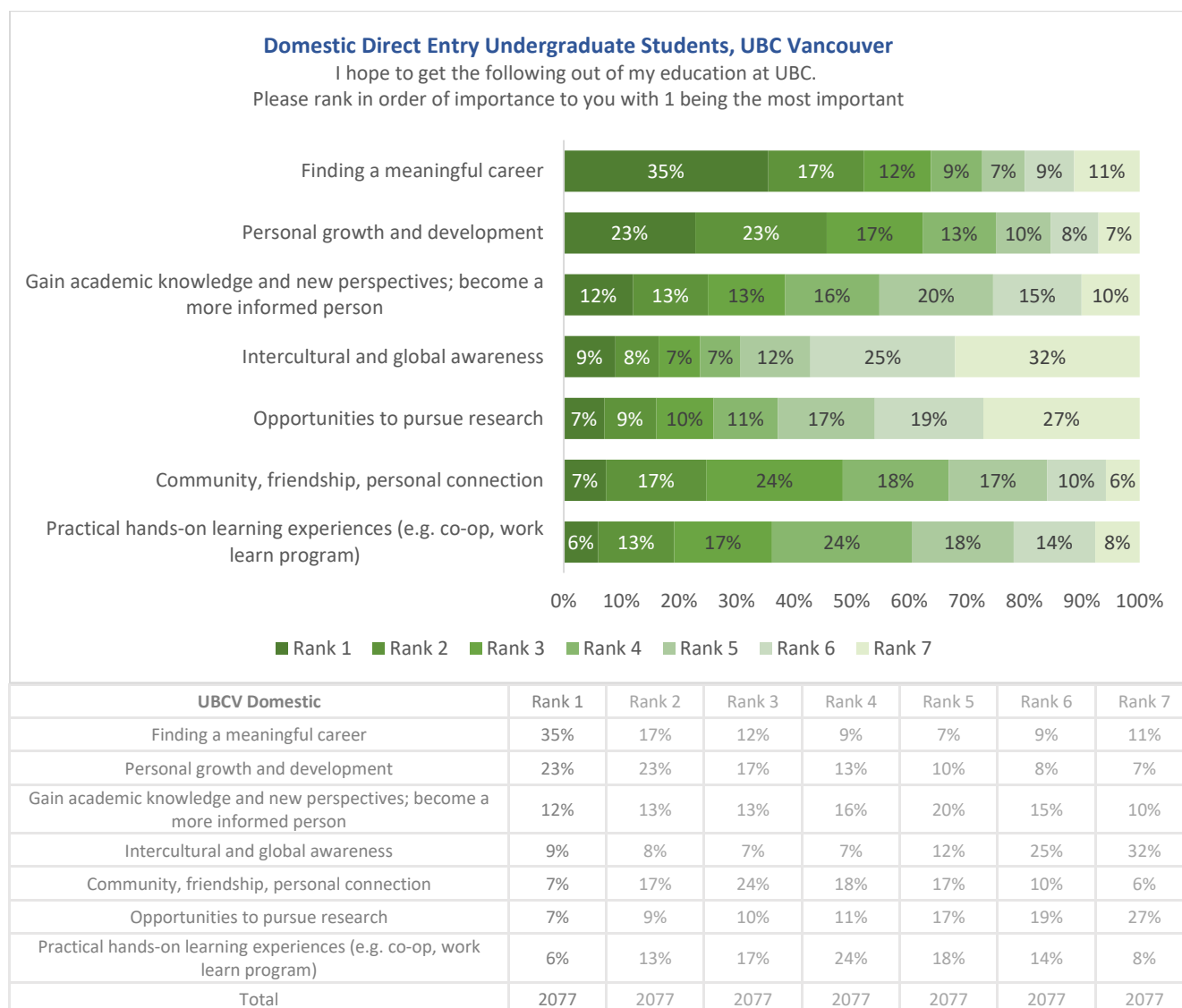
When asked questions about their preparedness to begin their studies, new UBCV undergraduate students are least likely to “Agree” or “Strongly Agree” that they know what to do to prepare for their classes in September (26% domestic, 37% international).

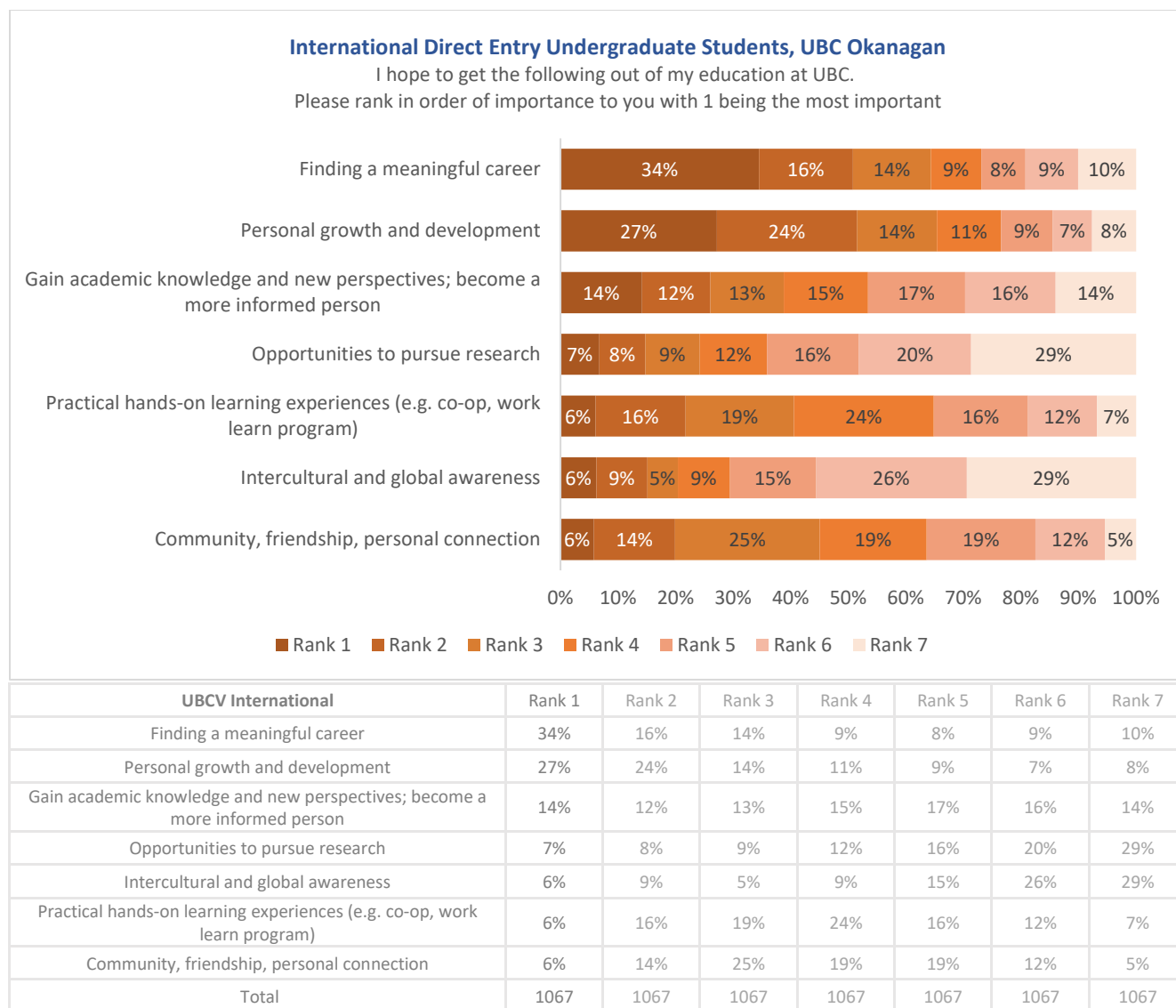




## Section 5: Learning Goals

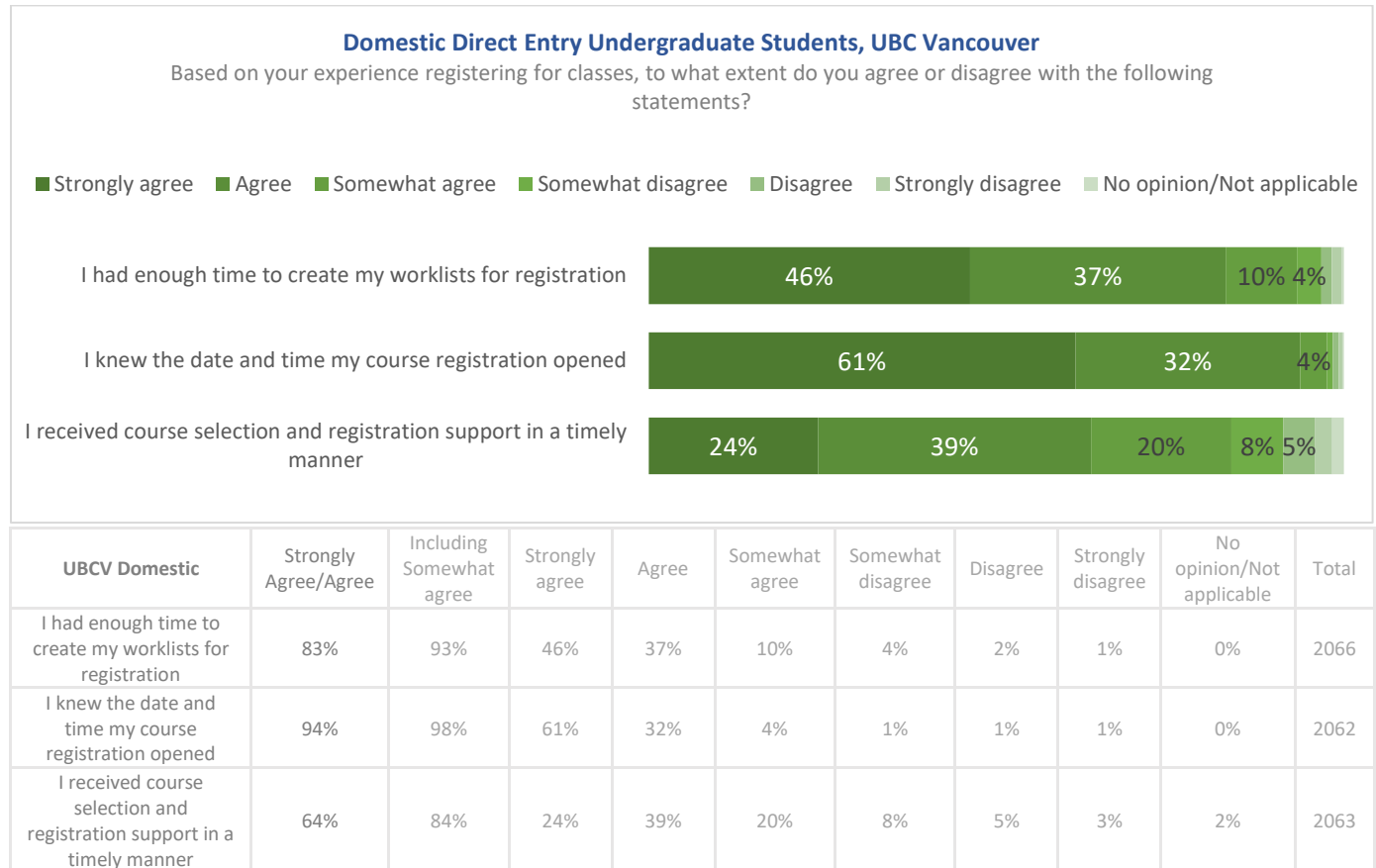
Finding a meaningful career is the most commonly-first ranked item new UBCV undergraduate students (35% domestic, 34% international) hope to get from their education at UBC, followed by personal growth and development (23% domestic, 27% international).

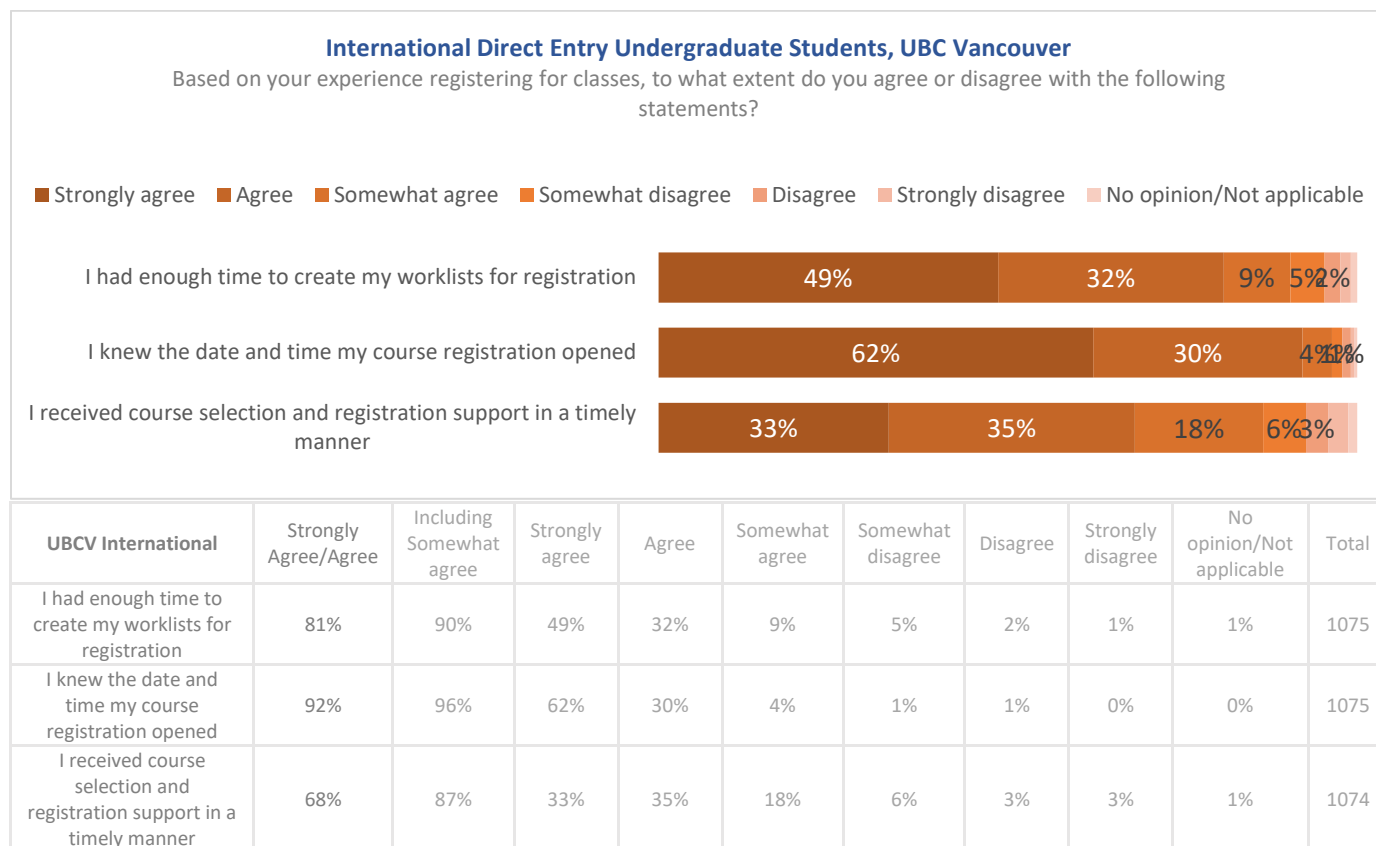




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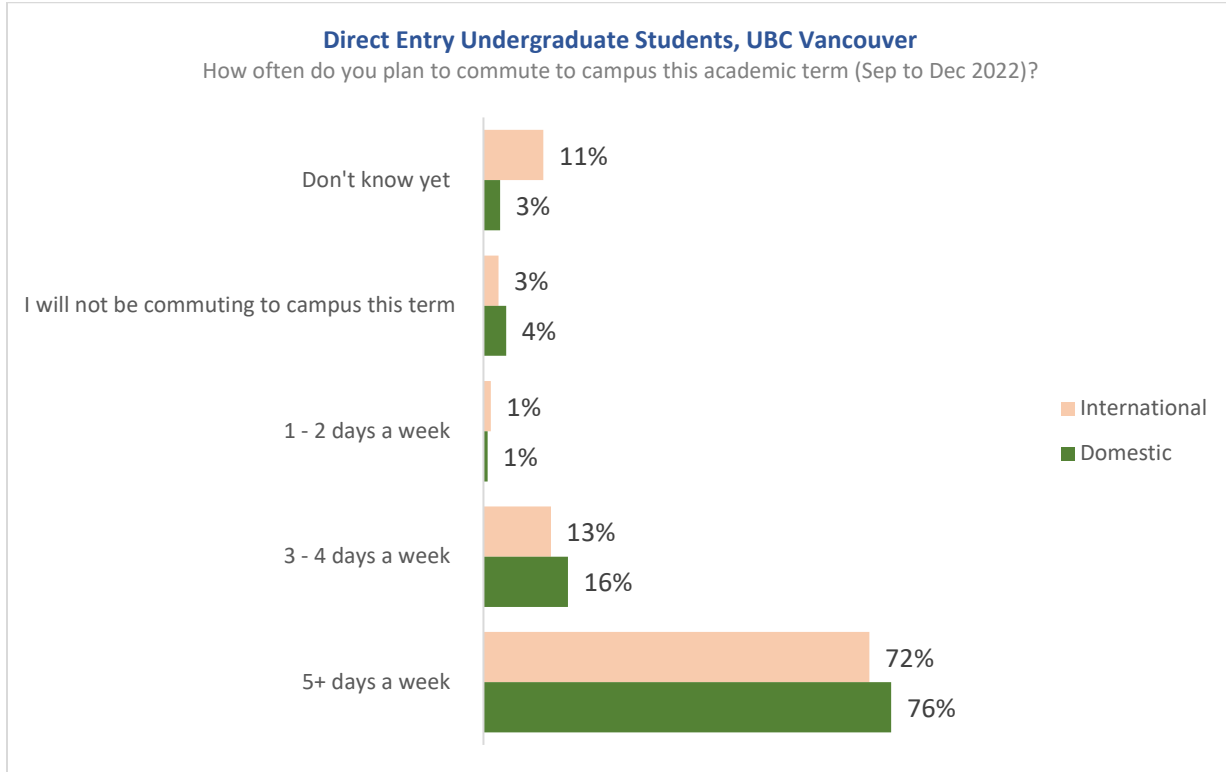
The majority of new UBCV undergraduate students generally “Agree” or “Strongly Agree” that they had a positive registration experience.





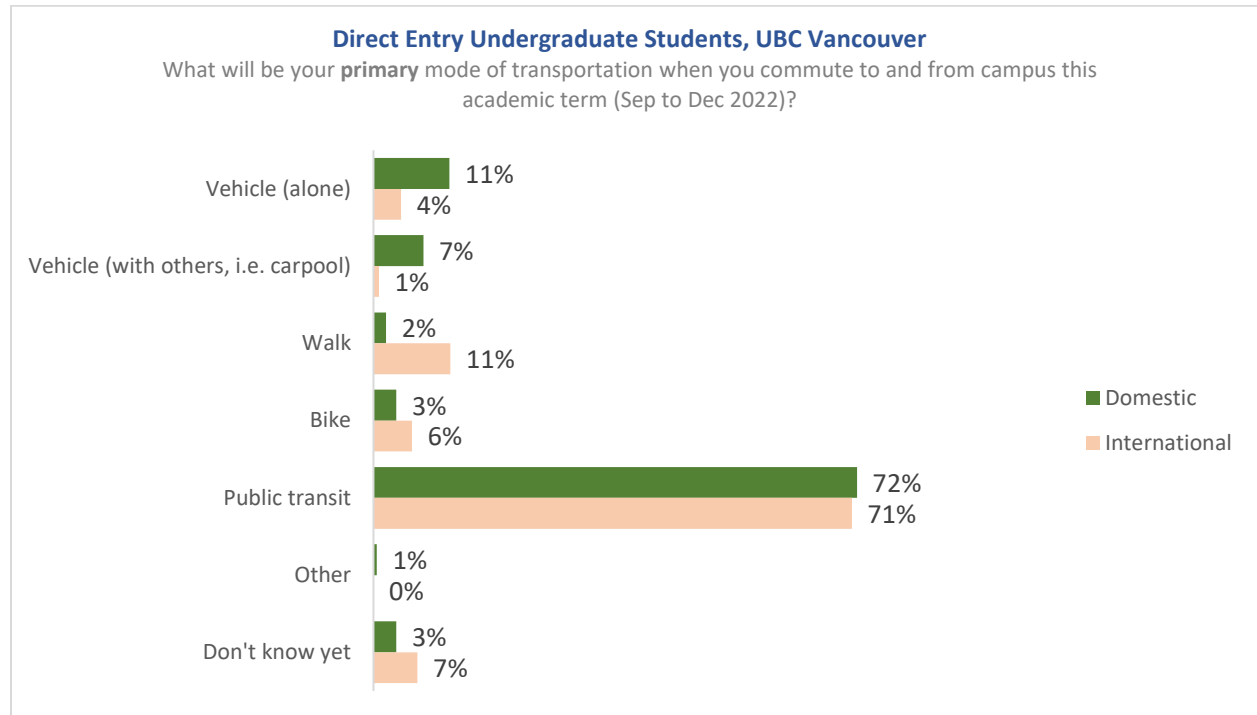
Section 7: Transportation

Of new UBCV undergraduate students who plan to commute, most plan to travel to campus five or more days a week (72% domestic, 76% international).



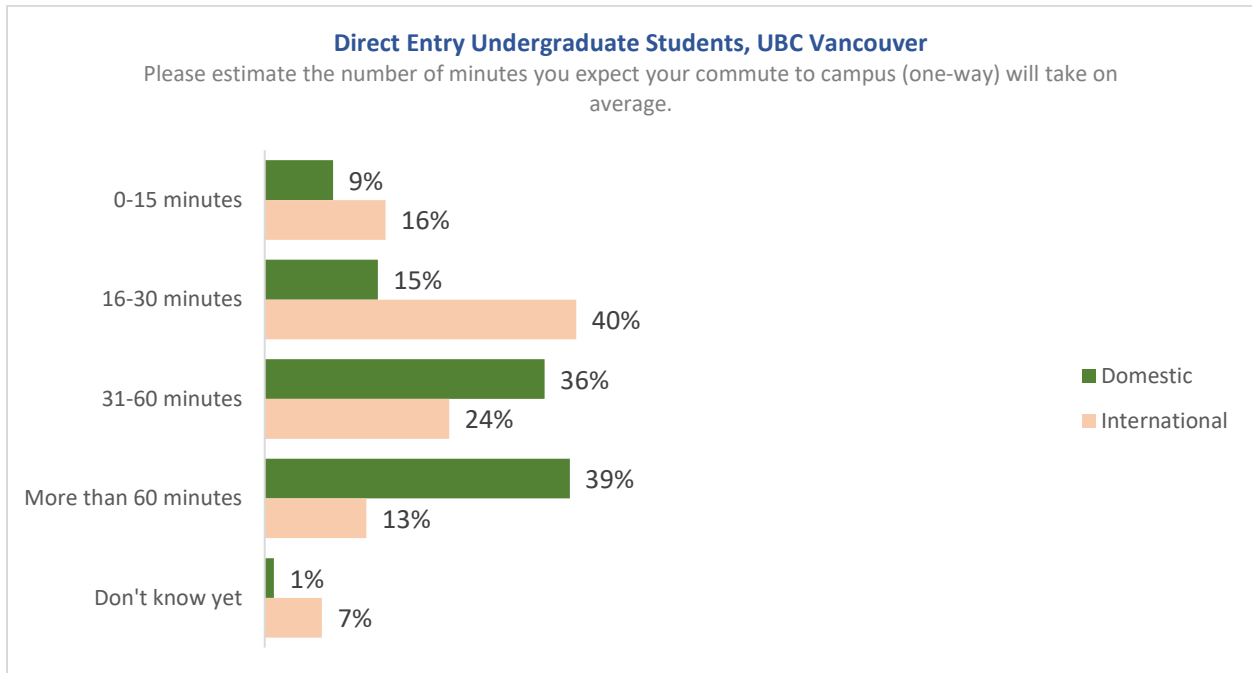
UBCV	Domestic		International	
	%	n	%	n
Don't know yet	3%	20	11%	16
I will not be commuting to campus this term	4%	27	3%	<5
1 - 2 days a week	1%	5	1%	<5
3 - 4 days a week	16%	101	13%	18
5+ days a week	76%	487	72%	103
Total	100%	640	100%	143

Of commuting new UBCV undergraduate students, the majority of both domestic and international students expect to use public transit (72% domestic, 71% international).



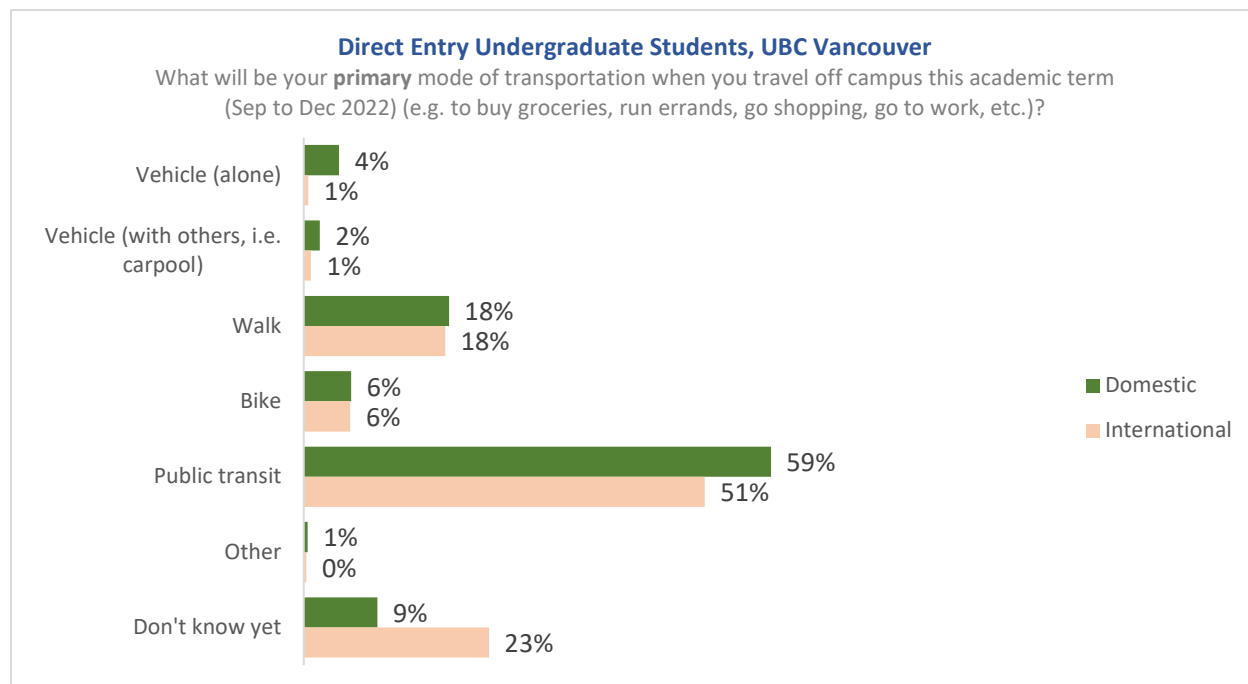
UBCV	Domestic		International	
	%	n	%	n
Vehicle (alone)	11%	67	4%	5
Vehicle (with others, i.e. carpool)	7%	44	1%	<5
Walk	2%	11	11%	14
Bike	3%	20	6%	7
Public transit	72%	426	71%	87
Other	1%	<5	0%	0
Don't know yet	3%	20	7%	8
Total	100%	591	100%	122

Of commuting new UBCV undergraduate students, the majority of domestic students expect commutes longer than half an hour to UBCV (75%), whereas the majority of international students expect commutes between 0 and 30 minutes (56%).



UBCV	Domestic		International	
	%	n	%	n
0-15 minutes	9%	52	16%	19
16-30 minutes	15%	86	40%	49
31-60 minutes	36%	213	24%	29
More than 60 minutes	39%	232	13%	16
Don't know yet	1%	7	7%	9
Total	100%	590	100%	122

Of new UBCV undergraduate students living on campus, students mainly expect to use public transit to travel off campus (59% domestic, 51% international). International students reported noticeable uncertainty about what transportation mode they will use to travel off campus at the time of the survey (23%).

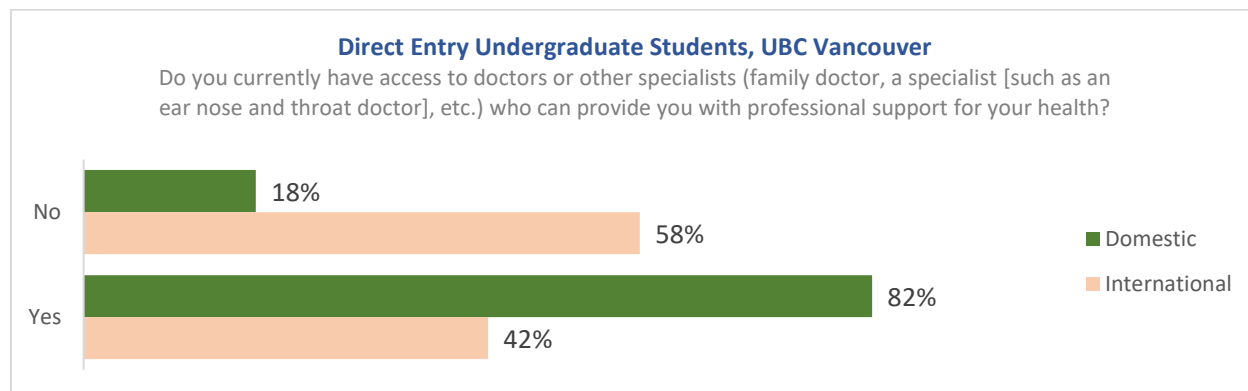


UBCV	Domestic		International	
	%	n	%	n
Vehicle (alone)	4%	62	1%	5
Vehicle (with others, i.e. carpool)	2%	28	1%	8
Walk	18%	255	18%	158
Bike	6%	83	6%	52
Public transit	59%	820	51%	448
Other	1%	7	0%	<5
Don't know yet	9%	129	23%	207
Total	100%	1384	100%	881



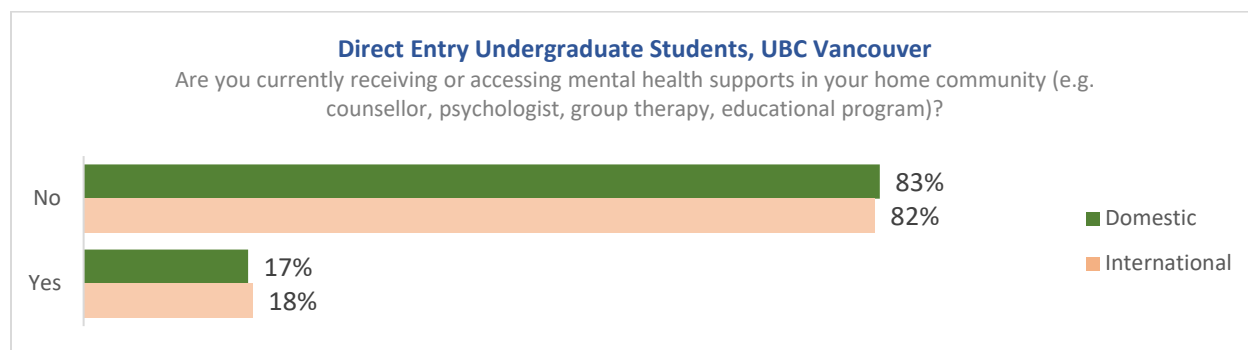
## Section 8: Wellbeing

Most (79%) of new domestic UBCV undergraduate students report they have access to a doctor or other specialists. Whereas over half (58%) of new international undergraduate students reported they do not have access to a doctor or other specialists.



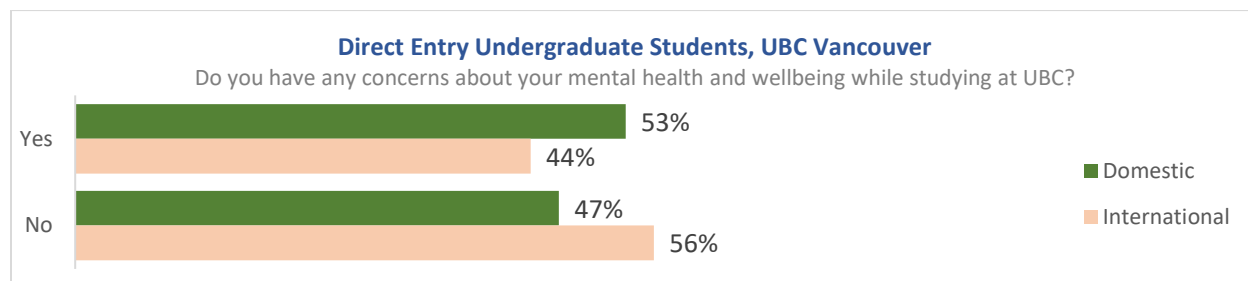
UBCV	Domestic		International	
	%	n	%	n
No	18%	362	58%	608
Yes	82%	1657	42%	442
Total	100%	2019	100%	1050

Most new UBCV undergraduate students are not currently accessing mental health supports in their home community (83% domestic, 82% international).



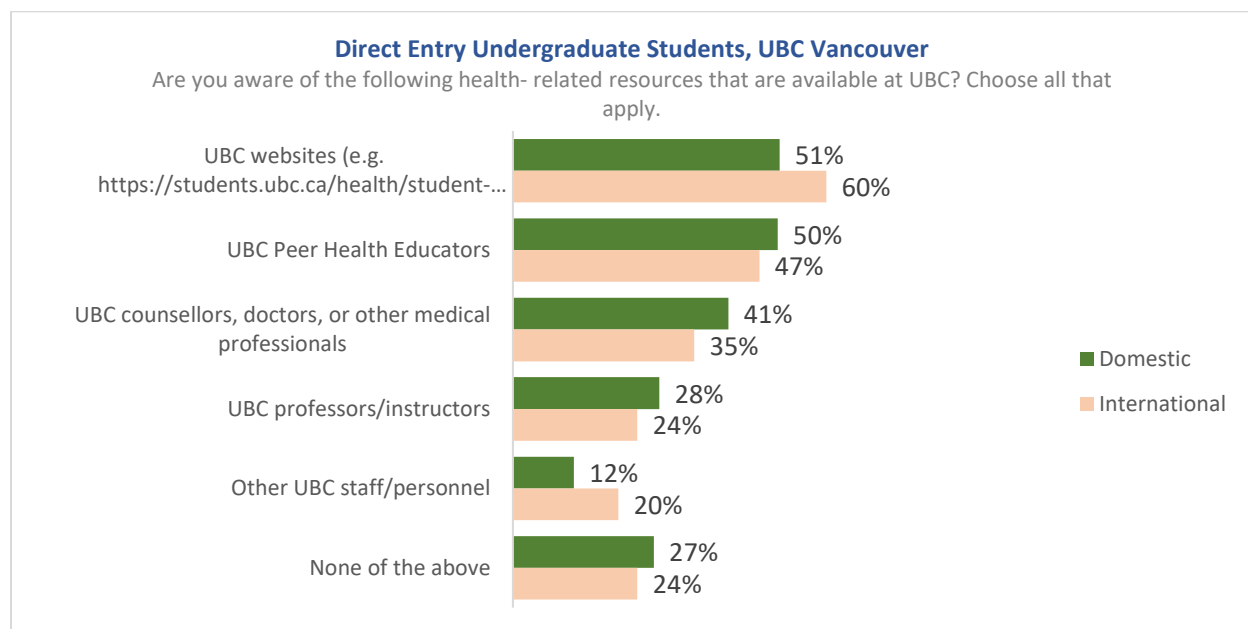
UBCV	Domestic		International	
	%	n	%	n
No	83%	1674	82%	865
Yes	17%	346	18%	185
Total	100%	2020	100%	1050

Mental health is a noticeable concern for new UBCV undergraduate students with about half (53% domestic and 44% international) citing concerns for their studies at UBC.



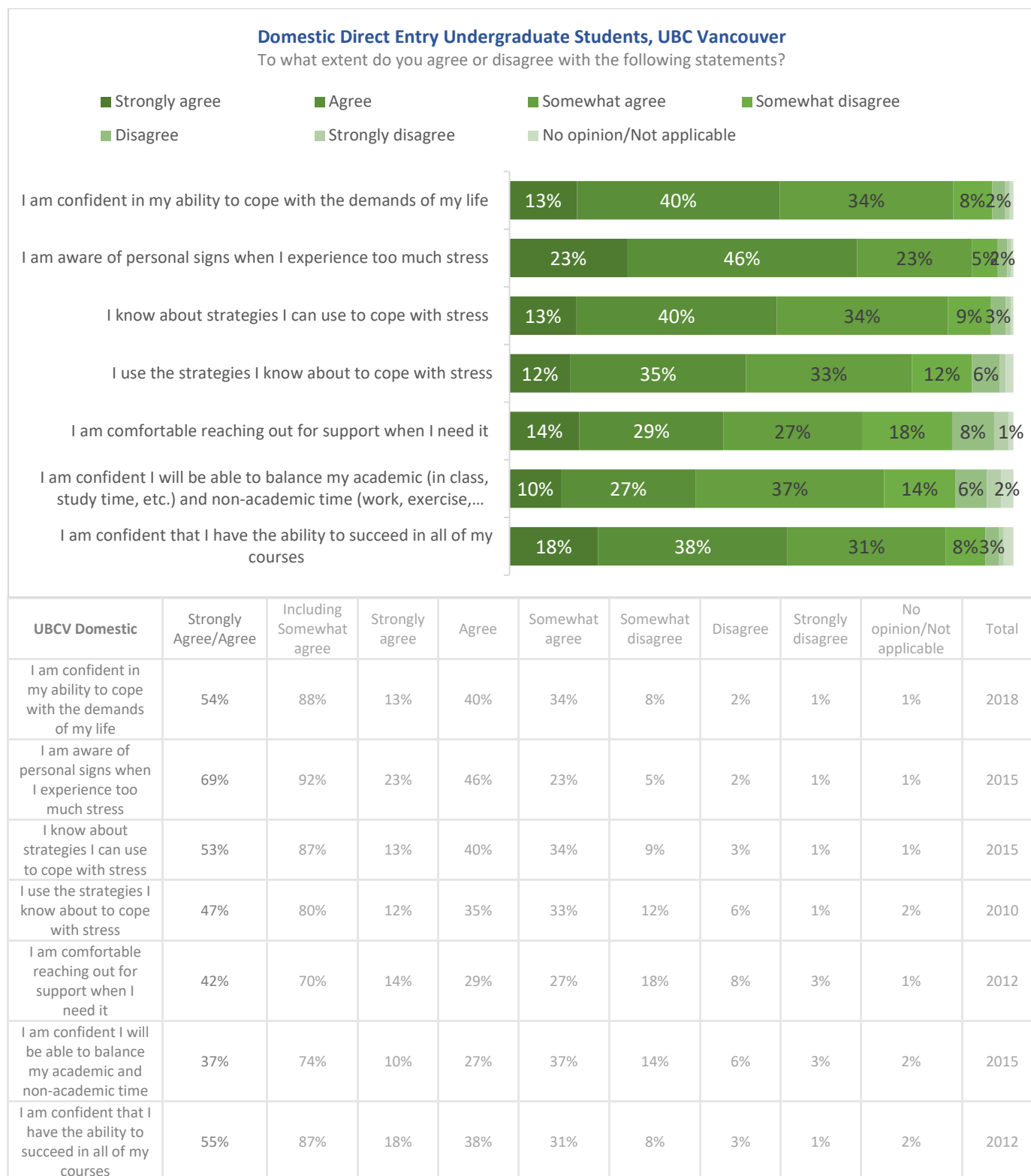
UBCV	Domestic		International	
	%	n	%	n
Yes	53%	1073	44%	462
No	47%	943	56%	587
Total	100%	2016	100%	1049

Most students are aware of at least one of the listed health related resources available at UBCV (73% domestic, 76% international).

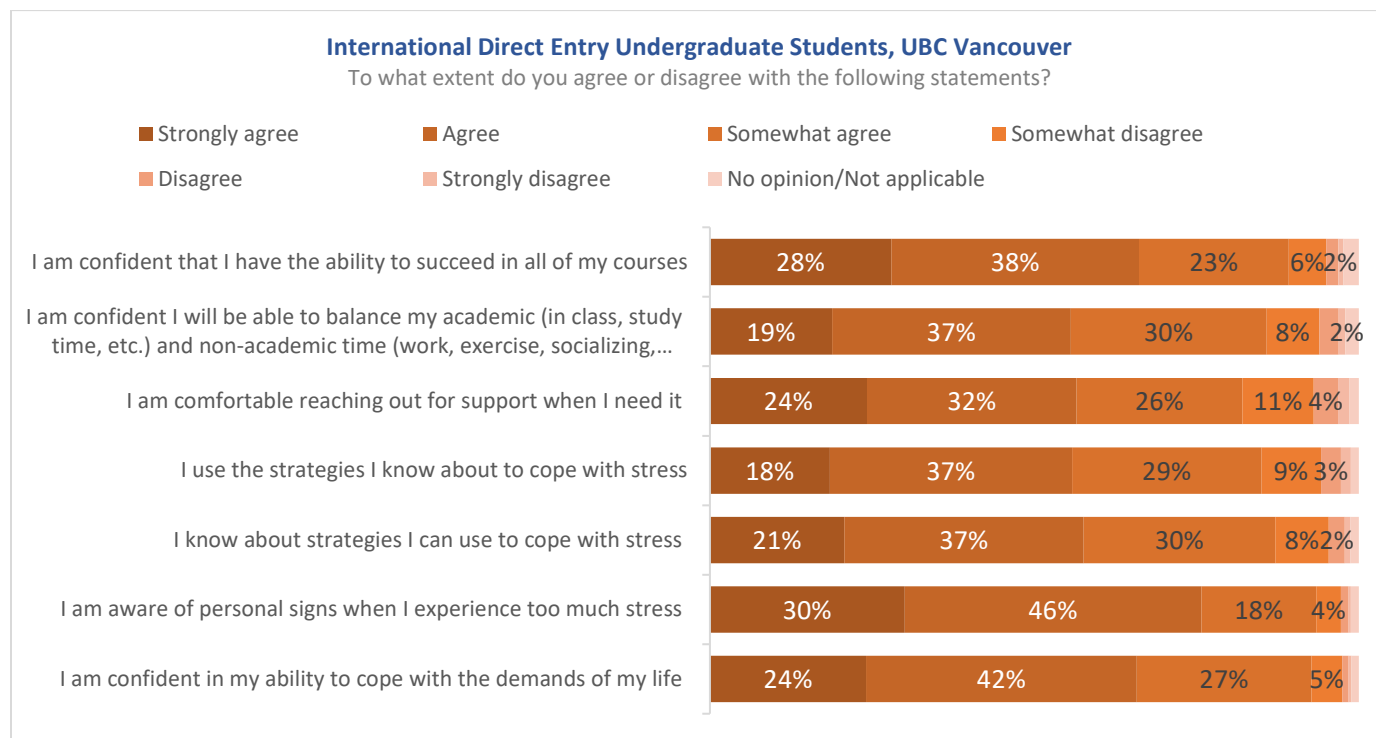


UBCV	Domestic		International	
	%	n	%	n
UBC websites (e.g. <a href="https://students.ubc.ca/health/student-health-service">https://students.ubc.ca/health/student-health-service</a> )	44%	1202	56%	870
UBC wellness peers at UBC Wellness Centre ( <a href="https://students.ubc.ca/health/wellness-centre">https://students.ubc.ca/health/wellness-centre</a> )	23%	630	32%	500
UBC counsellors, doctors, or other medical professionals	47%	1266	42%	652
UBC professors/instructors	39%	1050	33%	517
Other UBC staff/personnel	25%	680	21%	335
None of the above	30%	804	24%	381
Total number of respondents	100%	2721	100%	1562

On three measures, “I use the strategies I know about to cope with stress,” “I am comfortable reaching out for support when I need it,” and “I am confident I will be able to balance my academic and non-academic time,” less than half of new domestic to UBCV students “Agree” or “Strongly Agree.”



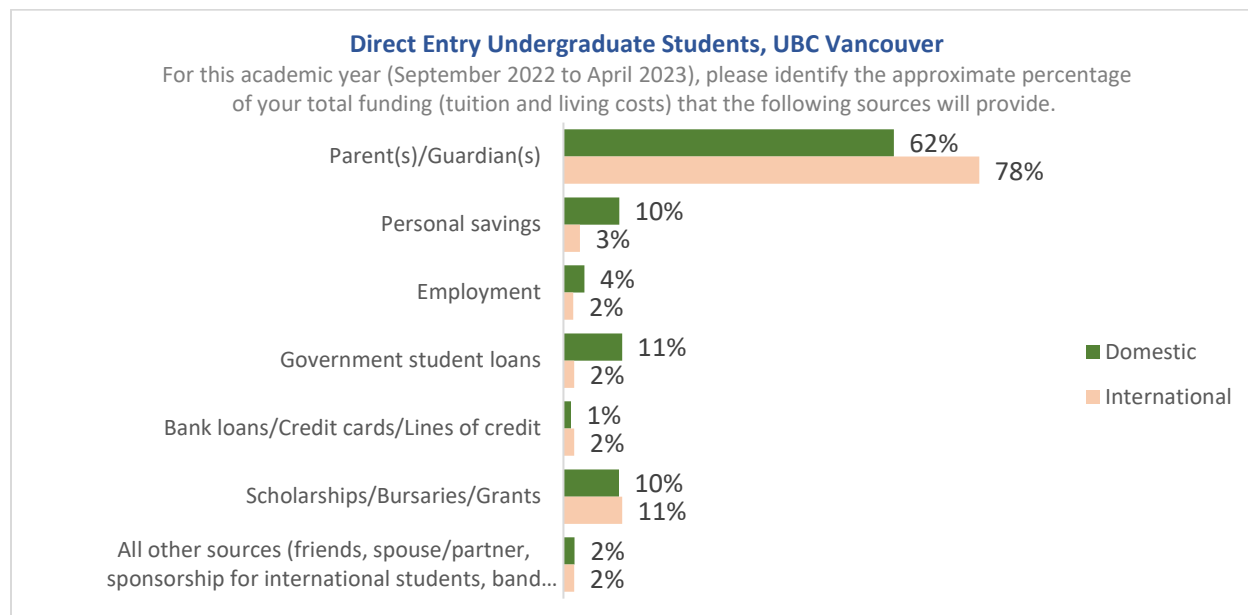
The majority of new international UBCV undergraduate students “Agree” or “Strongly Agree” on all seven measures shown below.



UBCV International	Strongly Agree/Agree	Including Somewhat agree	Strongly agree	Agree	Somewhat agree	Somewhat disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	No opinion/Not applicable	Total
I am confident in my ability to cope with the demands of my life	66%	93%	24%	42%	27%	5%	1%	0%	1%	1051
I am aware of personal signs when I experience too much stress	76%	93%	30%	46%	18%	4%	1%	0%	1%	1050
I know about strategies I can use to cope with stress	58%	87%	21%	37%	30%	8%	2%	1%	1%	1049
I use the strategies I know about to cope with stress	56%	85%	18%	37%	29%	9%	3%	2%	1%	1045
I am comfortable reaching out for support when I need it	57%	82%	24%	32%	26%	11%	4%	2%	1%	1046
I am confident I will be able to balance my academic and non-academic time	56%	86%	19%	37%	30%	8%	3%	1%	2%	1047
I am confident that I have the ability to succeed in all of my courses	66%	89%	28%	38%	23%	6%	2%	1%	2%	1045

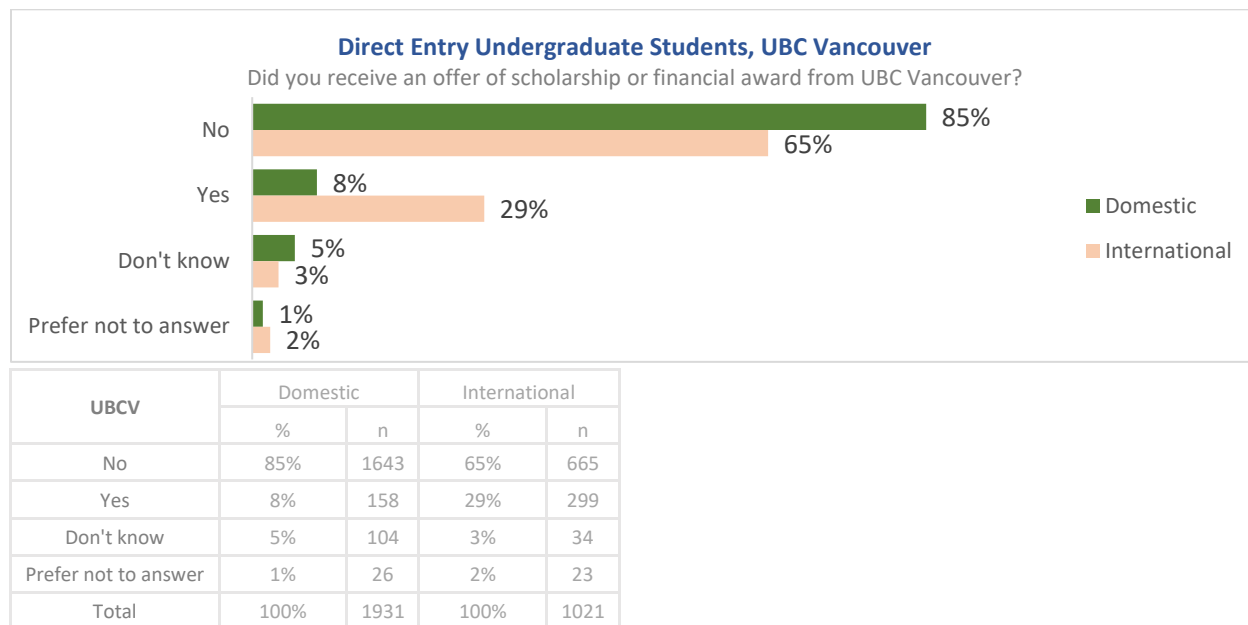
## Section 9: Financial impact/concerns

New UBCV undergraduate students, on average, finance their education primarily through help from their parents (62% Domestic, 78% International). Domestic students are more likely to report use of personal savings (10%), or Government student loans (11%).

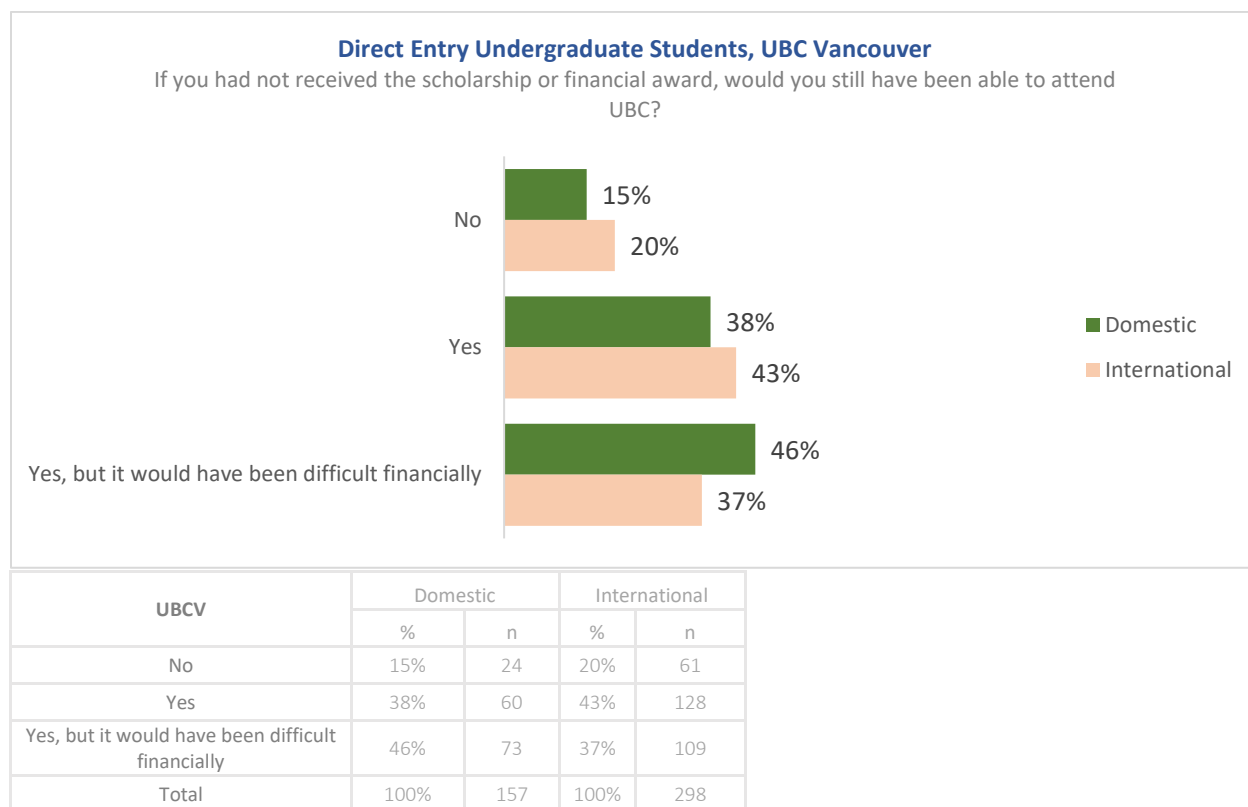


UBCV	Domestic	International
Parent(s)/Guardian(s)	62%	78%
Personal savings	10%	3%
Employment	4%	2%
Government student loans	11%	2%
Bank loans/Credit cards/Lines of credit	1%	2%
Scholarships/Bursaries/Grants	10%	11%
All other sources (friends, spouse/partner, sponsorship for international students, band funding for aboriginal students, etc.)	2%	2%
Total number of respondents	1928	1021

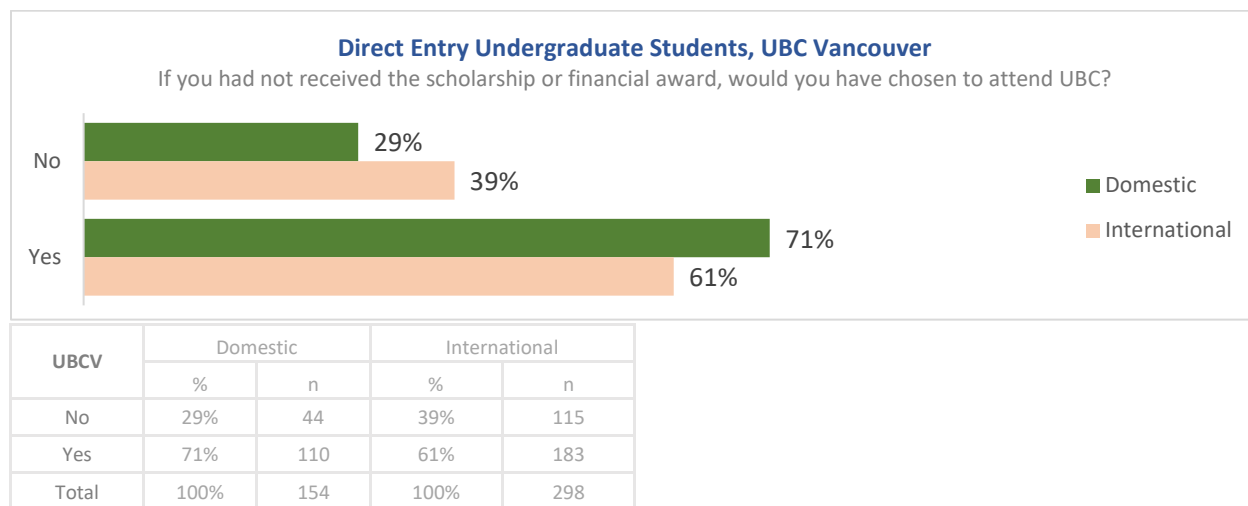
Of new UBCV undergraduate students, 8% of domestic and 29% of international students received a scholarship or financial award from UBC.



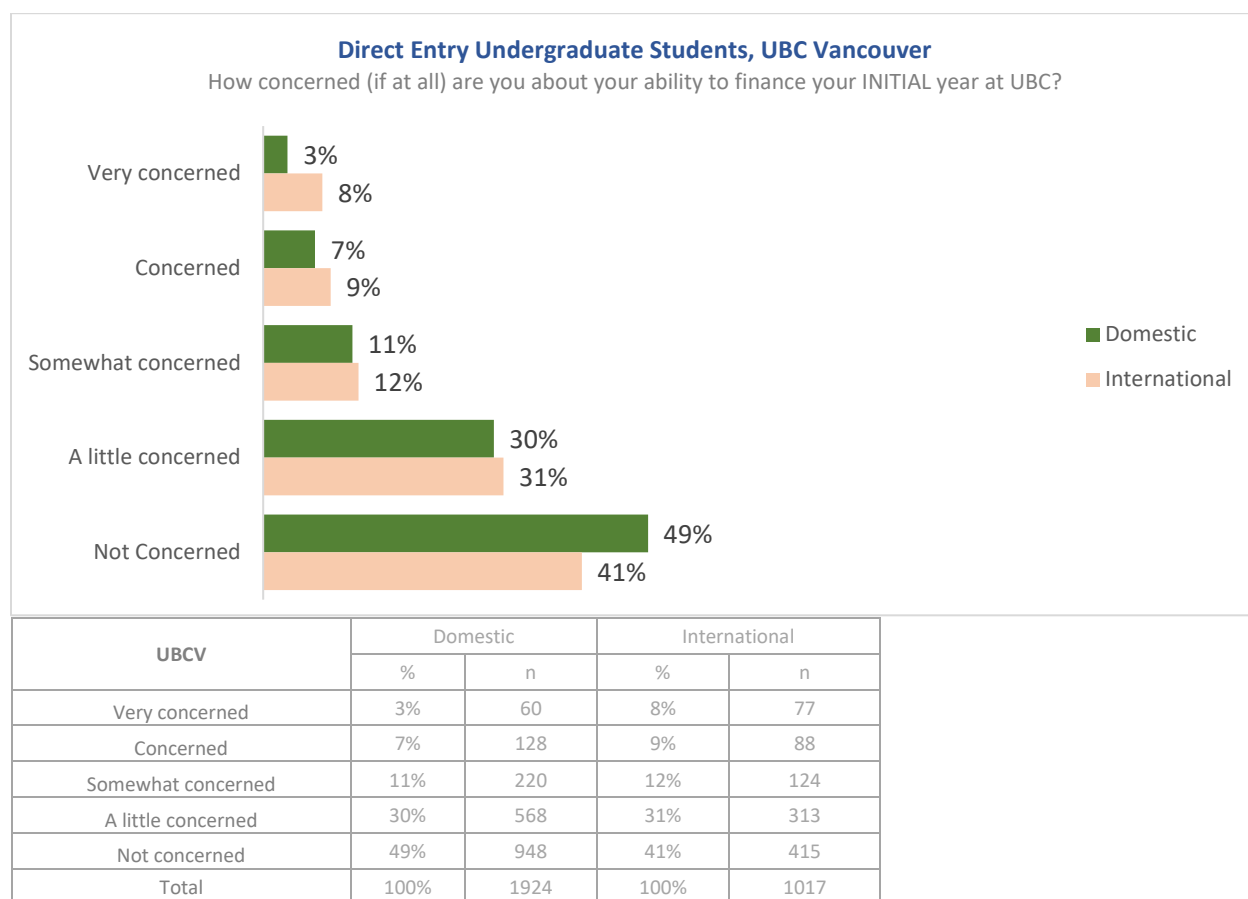
New international UBCV undergraduate students were most likely to say that they would not have been able to attend without a scholarship or financial award from UBC (20%).



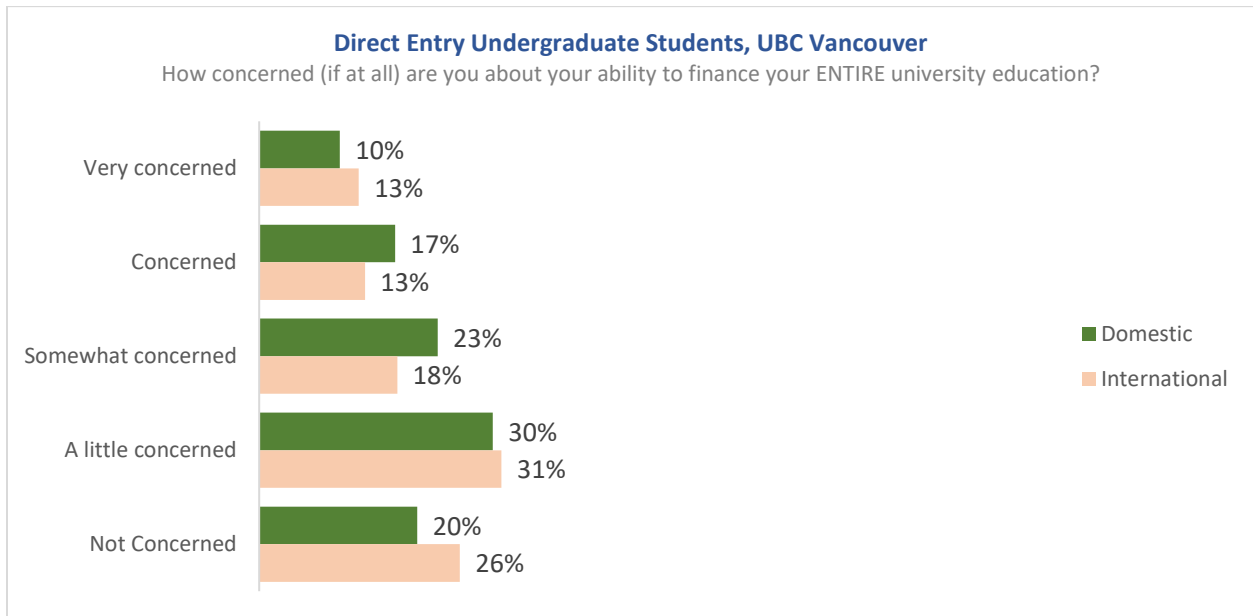
New international UBCV undergraduate students were most likely to say that they would not have chosen to attend UBCV without a scholarship or financial award from UBC (39%).



A minority of new UBCV undergraduate students are at least “Somewhat concerned” about financing their initial year at UBC (21% domestic, 29% international).



Close to half of new UBCV undergraduate students are at least “Somewhat concerned” about financing their entire education at UBC (50% domestic, 44% international).

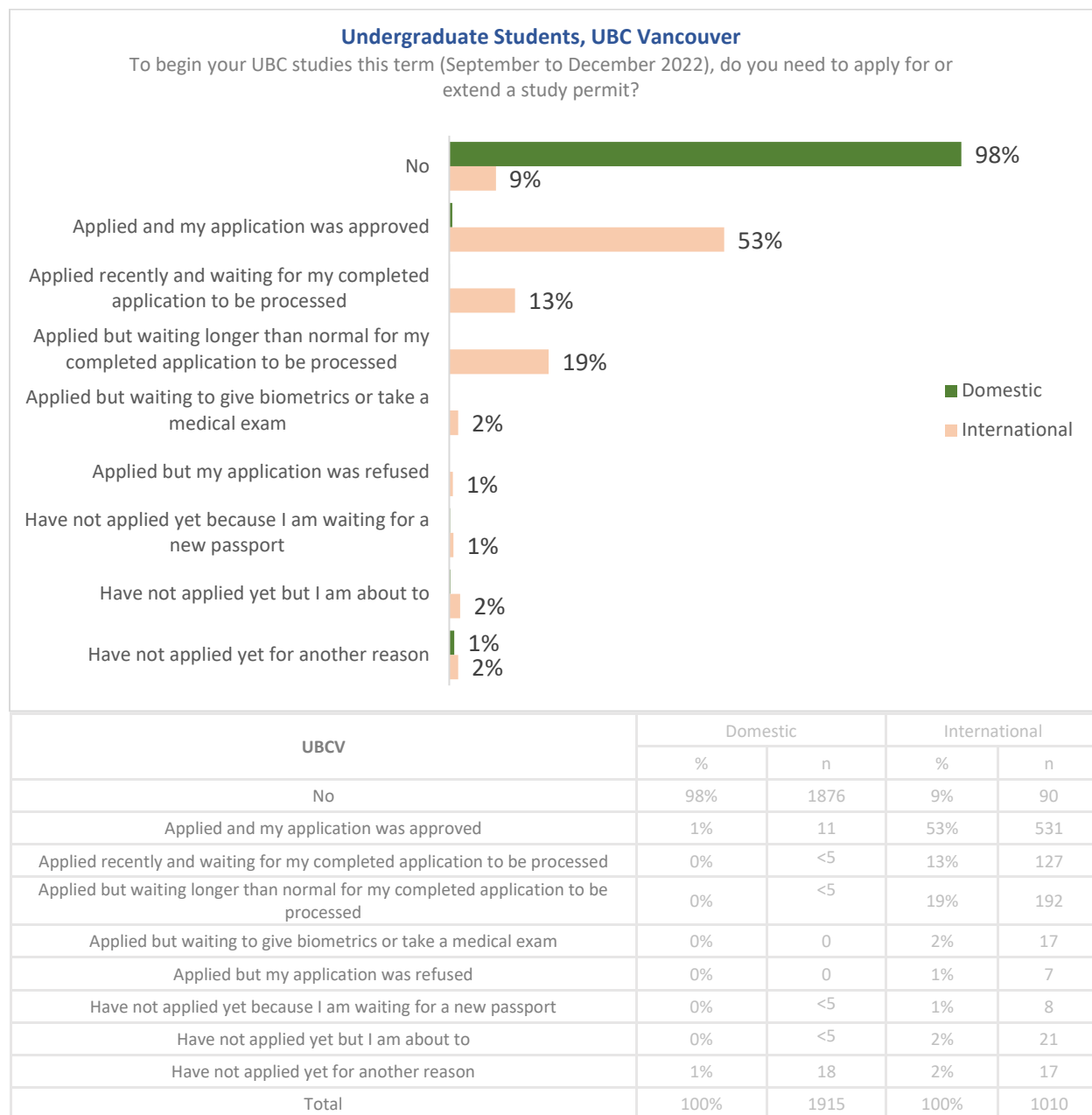


UBCV	Domestic		International	
	%	n	%	n
Very concerned	10%	197	13%	129
Concerned	17%	332	13%	137
Somewhat concerned	23%	436	18%	179
A little concerned	30%	571	31%	314
Not concerned	20%	386	26%	260
Total	100%	1922	100%	1019



## Section 10: Study Permit

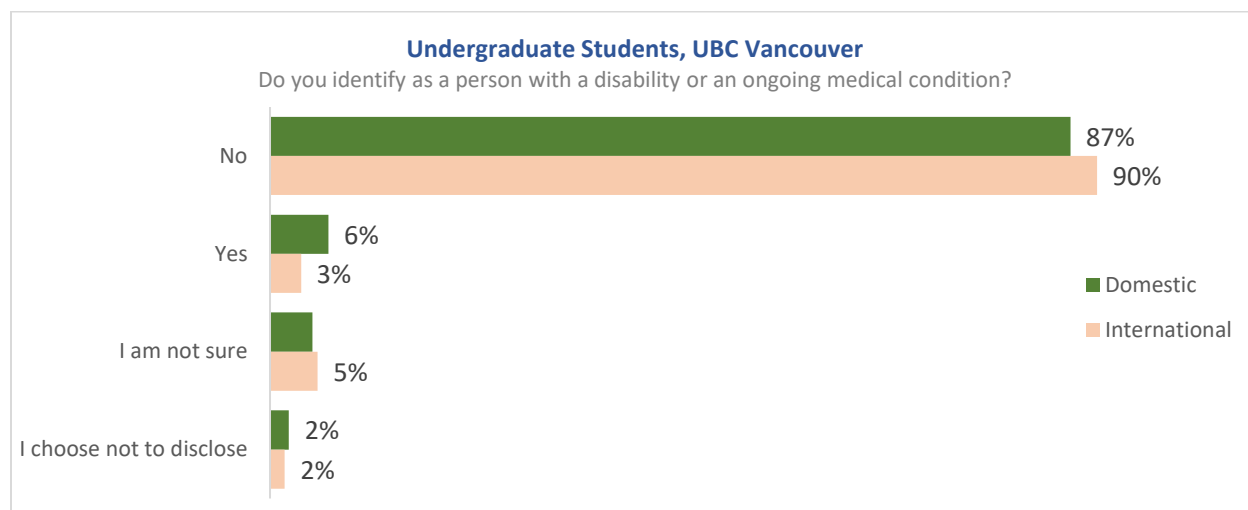
Most (86%) new international UBCV undergraduate students report needing to apply for or extend a study permit.



## Section 11: Demographics

With the Demographics Project nearly complete, this section underwent a major revision for NUBC 2022.

Most new UBCV undergraduate students (87% domestic, 90% international) do not identify as a person with a disability or ongoing medical condition.



UBCV	Domestic		International	
	%	n	%	n
No	87%	1656	90%	905
Yes	6%	121	3%	34
I am not sure	5%	88	5%	52
I choose not to disclose	2%	39	2%	16
Total	100%	1904	100%	1007

For the students who answered “Yes” to the previous question “Do you identify as a person with a disability or an ongoing medical condition?” were asked a follow up question:

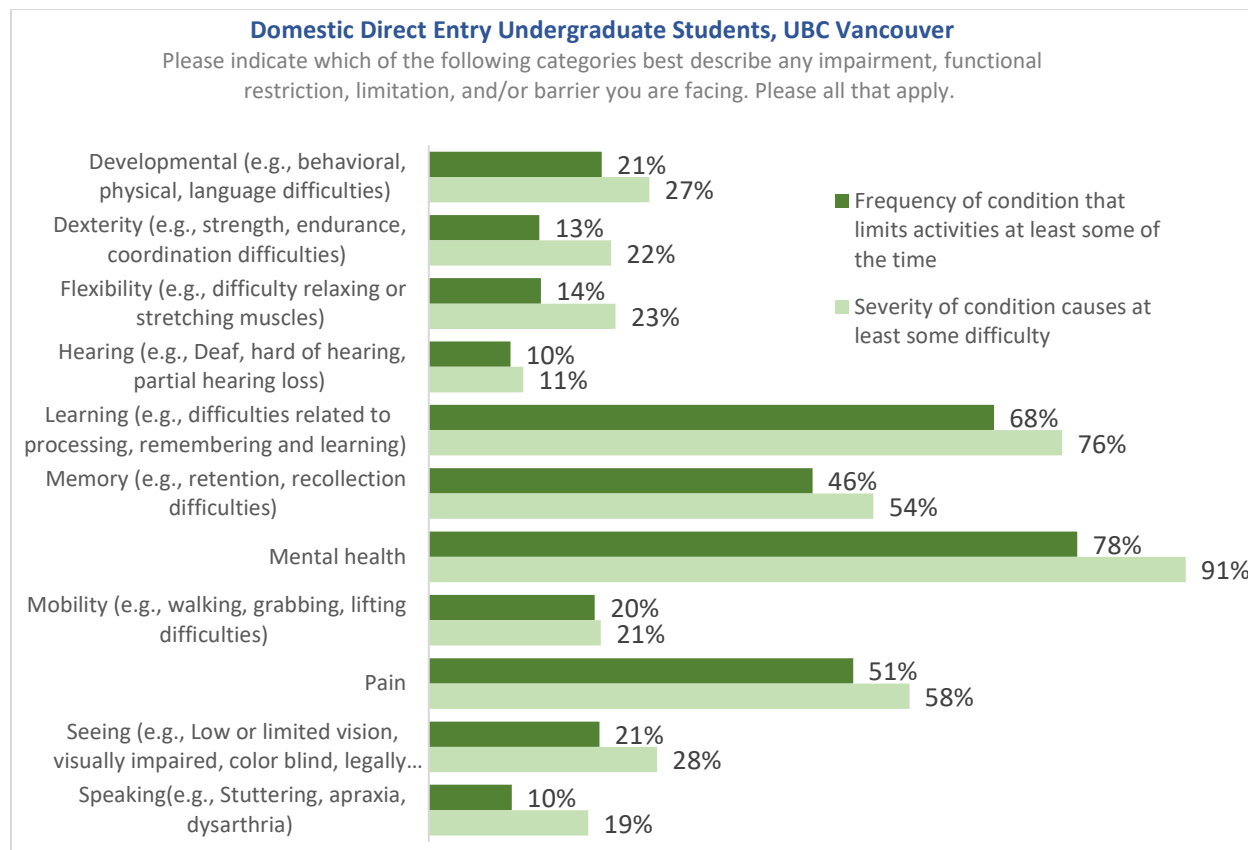
“Please indicate which of the following categories best describe any impairment, functional restriction, limitation, and/or barrier you are facing. Please check all that apply.” For the eleven options, they could select both Severity [“No difficulty”, “Some difficulty”, “A lot of difficulty”, “Cannot do at all”] and Frequency [“Never”, “Rarely”, “Sometimes”, “Often”, “Always”].

The next two graphs and tables below condense this into the percent who answered Severity with [“Some difficulty”, “A lot of difficulty”, or “Cannot do at all”] and Frequency [“Sometimes”, “Often”, “Always”].

**How to interpret:**

Of the 96 UBCV domestic undergraduate students who rated their Mental Health Frequency, 78% said that the frequency is “Sometimes”, “Often”, or “Always.”

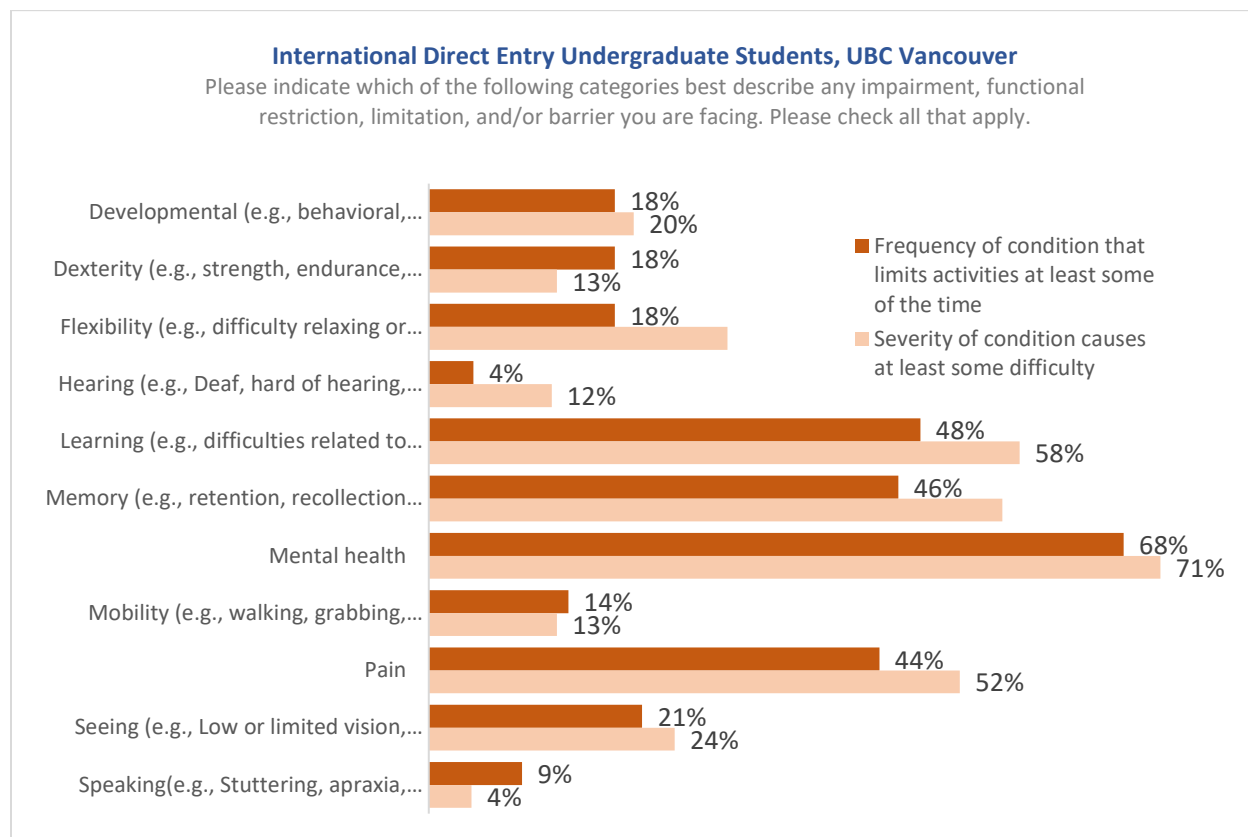
Of the 102 UBCV domestic undergraduate students who rated the severity of their Mental Health issues, 91% rate the as severity as causing “Some difficulty”, “A lot of difficulty,” or “Cannot do at all”.



UBCV Domestic	Frequency of condition that limits activities at least some of the time	Total n	Severity of condition causes at least some difficulty	Total n
Developmental (e.g., behavioral, physical, language difficulties)	21%	72	27%	79
Dexterity (e.g., strength, endurance, coordination difficulties)	13%	75	22%	82
Flexibility (e.g., difficulty relaxing or stretching muscles)	14%	74	23%	80
Hearing (e.g., Deaf, hard of hearing, partial hearing loss)	10%	71	11%	79
Learning (e.g., difficulties related to processing, remembering and learning)	68%	94	76%	97
Memory (e.g., retention, recollection difficulties)	46%	80	54%	84
Mental health	78%	96	91%	102
Mobility (e.g., walking, grabbing, lifting difficulties)	20%	75	21%	82
Pain	51%	90	58%	95
Seeing (e.g., Low or limited vision, visually impaired, color blind, legally blind)	21%	73	28%	80
Speaking (e.g., Stuttering, apraxia, dysarthria)	10%	70	19%	78

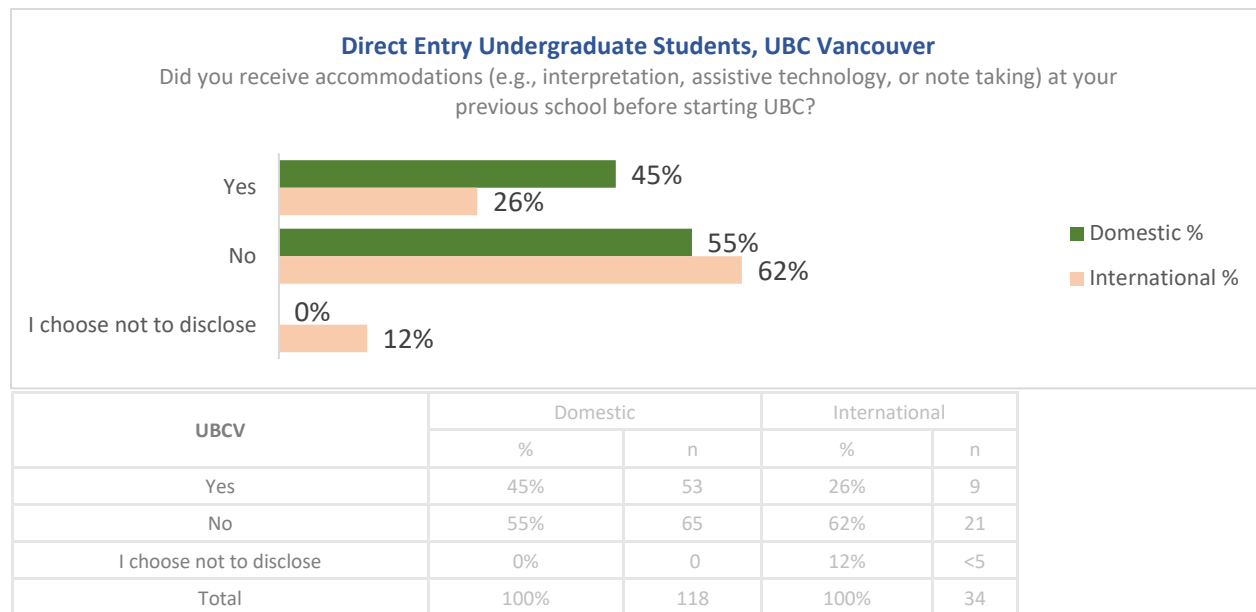
Of the 28 new UBCV international undergraduate students who rated their Mental Health **Frequency**, 68% said that the frequency is “Sometimes”, “Often”, or “Always.”

Of the 28 new UBCV international undergraduate students who rated the *Severity* of their Mental Health issues, 71% rate the as severity as causing “Some difficulty”, “A lot of difficulty,” or “Cannot do at all”.

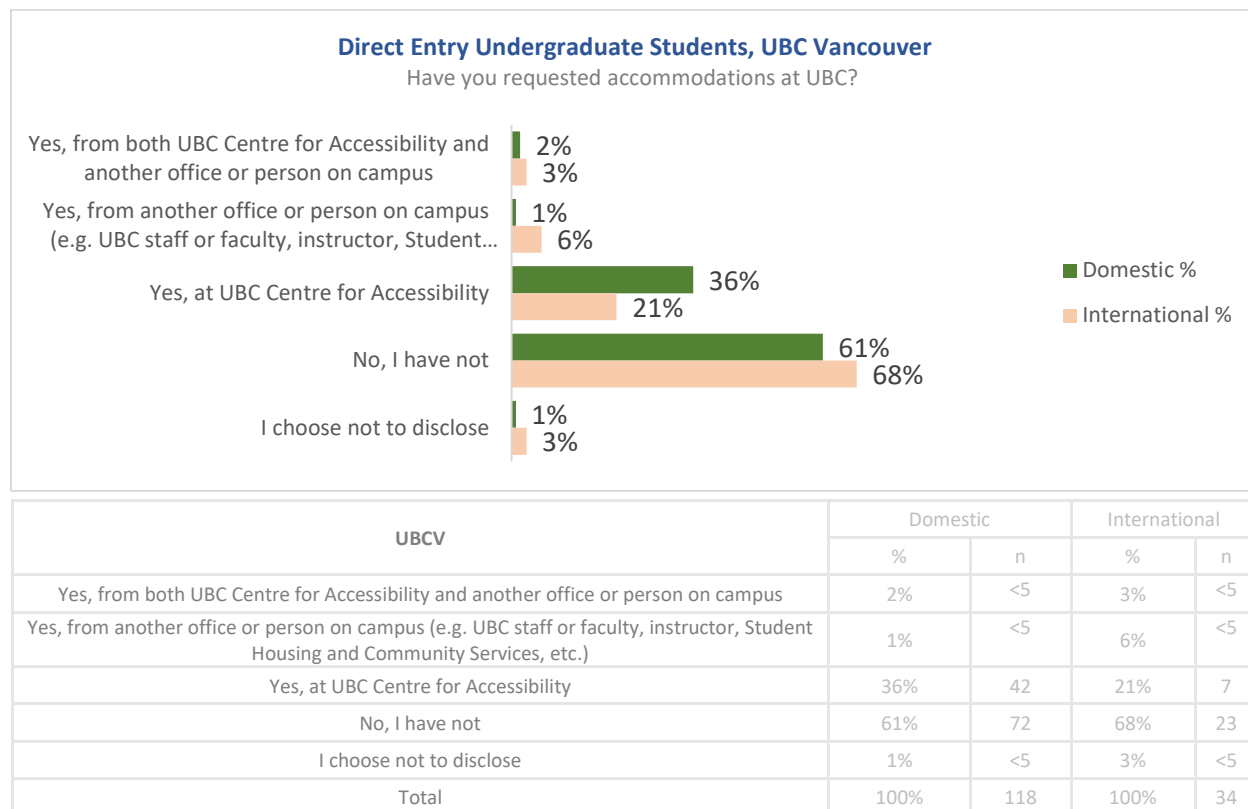


UBCV International	Frequency of condition that limits activities at least some of the time	Total n	Severity of condition causes at least some difficulty	Total n
Developmental (e.g., behavioral, physical, language difficulties)	18%	22	20%	25
Dexterity (e.g., strength, endurance, coordination difficulties)	18%	22	13%	24
Flexibility (e.g., difficulty relaxing or stretching muscles)	18%	22	29%	24
Hearing (e.g., Deaf, hard of hearing, partial hearing loss)	4%	23	12%	25
Learning (e.g., difficulties related to processing, remembering and learning)	48%	25	58%	26
Memory (e.g., retention, recollection difficulties)	46%	24	56%	25
Mental health	68%	28	71%	28
Mobility (e.g., walking, grabbing, lifting difficulties)	14%	22	13%	24
Pain	44%	25	52%	27
Seeing (e.g., Low or limited vision, visually impaired, color blind, legally blind)	21%	24	24%	25
Speaking (e.g., Stuttering, apraxia, dysarthria)	9%	22	4%	24

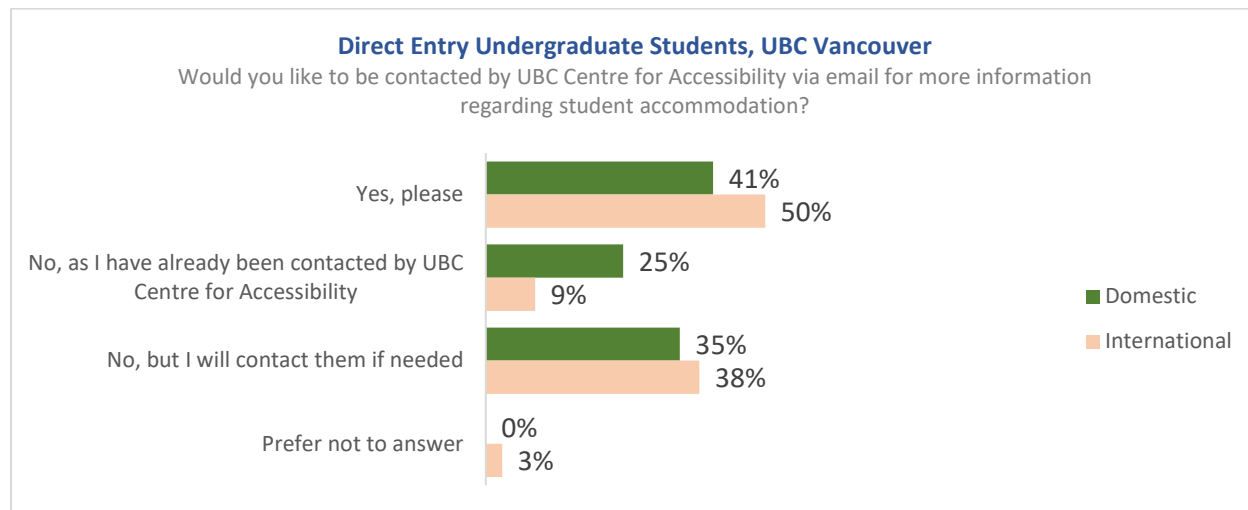
Most new UBCV undergraduate students who identify as disabled (55% domestic, 62% international) did not receive accommodations at their previous school before coming to UBC.



A minority of new UBCV undergraduate students who identify as disabled (38% domestic, 29% international), at the time of this survey had asked for accommodations from UBC.

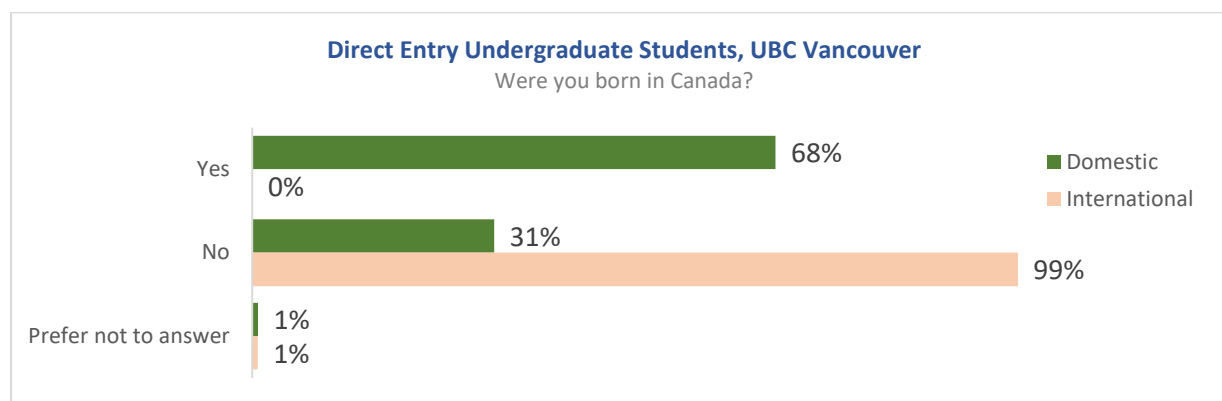


Some new UBCV undergraduate students who identify as disabled (41% domestic, 50% international) would like to be contacted by email for more information.



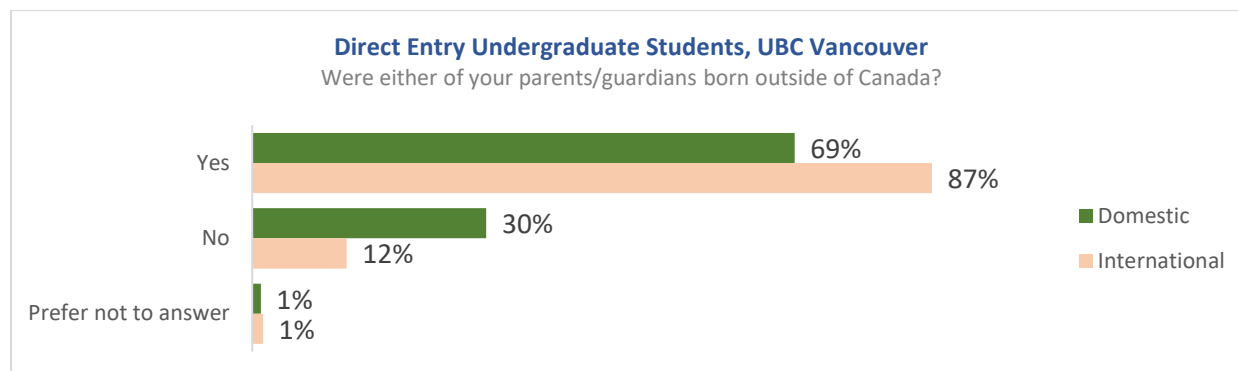
UBCV	Domestic		International	
	%	n	%	n
Yes, please	41%	48	50%	17
No, as I have already been contacted by UBC Centre for Accessibility	25%	29	9%	<5
No, but I will contact them if needed	35%	41	38%	13
Prefer not to answer	0%	0	3%	<5
Total	100%	118	100%	34

The majority (68%) of domestic new UBCV undergraduate students were born in Canada, while the overwhelming majority (99%) of international students were not.



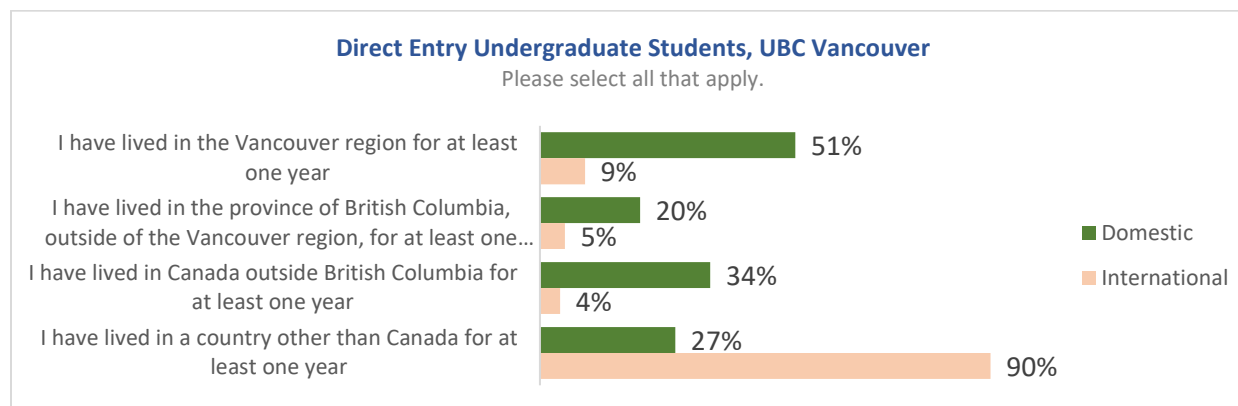
UBCV	Domestic		International	
	%	n	%	n
Yes	70%	1,828	0%	<5
No	29%	764	99%	1,523
Prefer not to answer	1%	18	1%	8
Total	100%	2,610	100%	1,534

The majority of new UBCV undergraduate students have parents or guardians born outside Canada (69% domestic, 87% international).



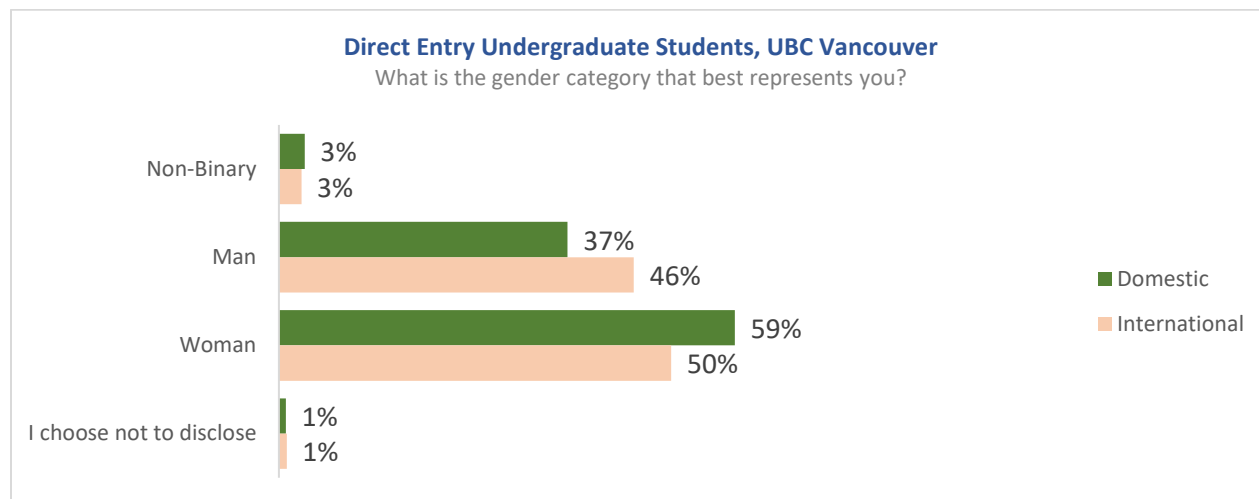
UBCV	Domestic		International	
	%	n	%	n
Yes	69%	1314	87%	872
No	30%	567	12%	121
Prefer not to answer	1%	21	1%	14
Total	100%	1902	100%	1007

The majority (51%) of new domestic UBCV undergraduate students have lived in the Vancouver region for at least one year, while the majority (90%) of international students have live in another country for at least one year.



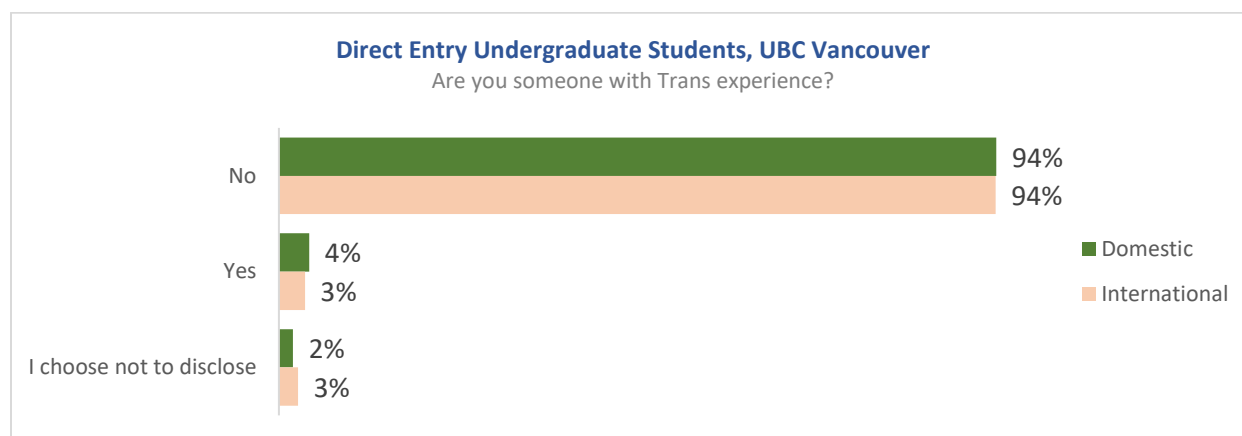
UBCV	Domestic		International	
	%	n	%	n
I have lived in the Vancouver region for at least one year	54%	1,404	13%	181
I have lived in the province of British Columbia, outside of the Vancouver region, for at least one year	20%	507	5%	78
I have lived in Canada outside British Columbia for at least one year	33%	853	5%	67
I have lived in a country other than Canada for at least one year	22%	583	84%	1,210
Distinct Count of Respondents	100%	2,597	100%	1,443

The majority of new UBCV undergraduate students report that the gender category best representing them is a “Woman” (59% domestic, 50% international).



UBCV	Domestic		International	
	%	n	%	n
Non-Binary	3%	63	3%	29
Man	37%	700	46%	456
Woman	59%	1106	50%	504
I choose not to disclose	1%	17	1%	10
Total	100%	2606	100%	1532

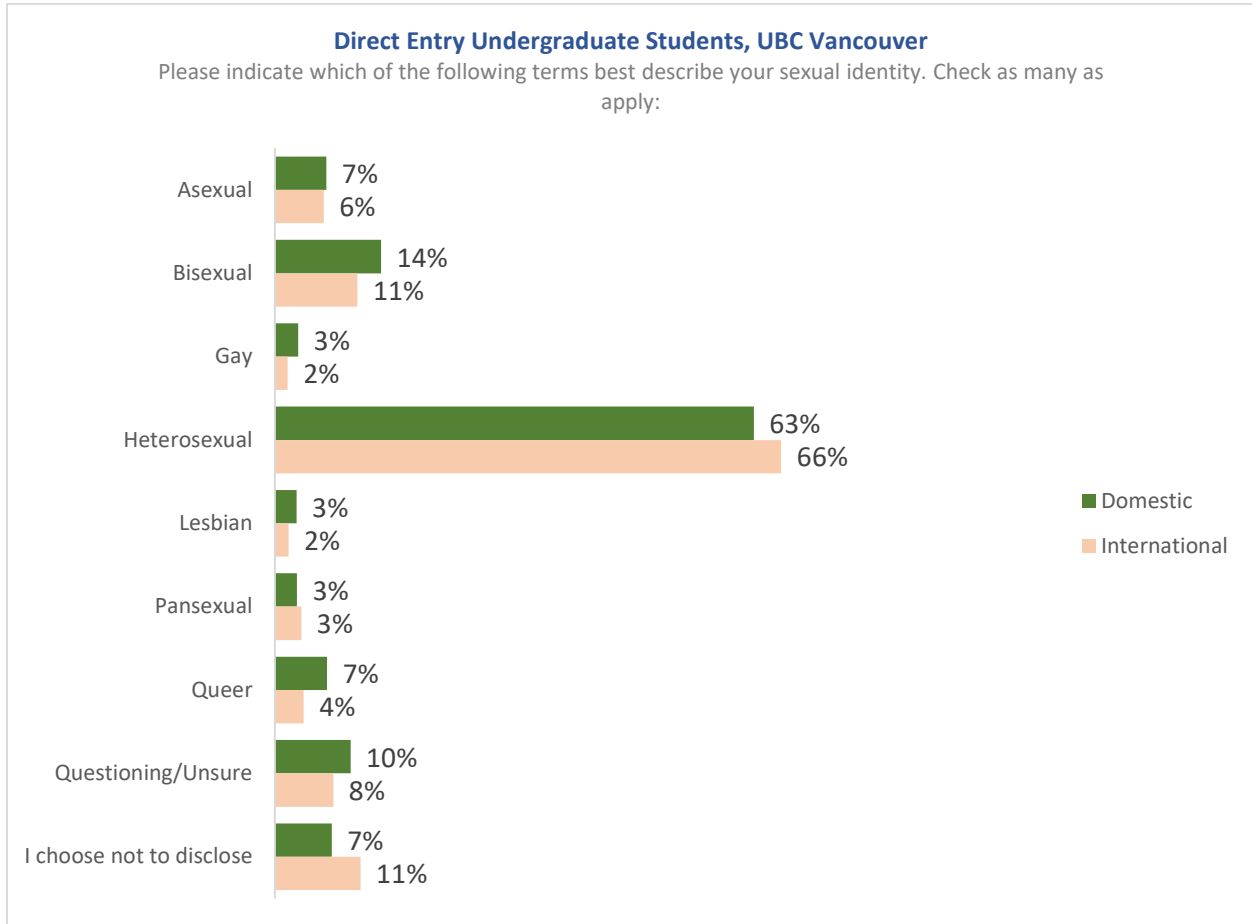
Only a small minority (4% domestic, 3% international) of new to UBCV undergraduate students identify as someone with Trans experience.



UBCV	Domestic		International	
	%	n	%	n
No	94%	1772	94%	936
Yes	4%	75	3%	34
I choose not to disclose	2%	35	3%	25
Total	100%	1882	100%	995

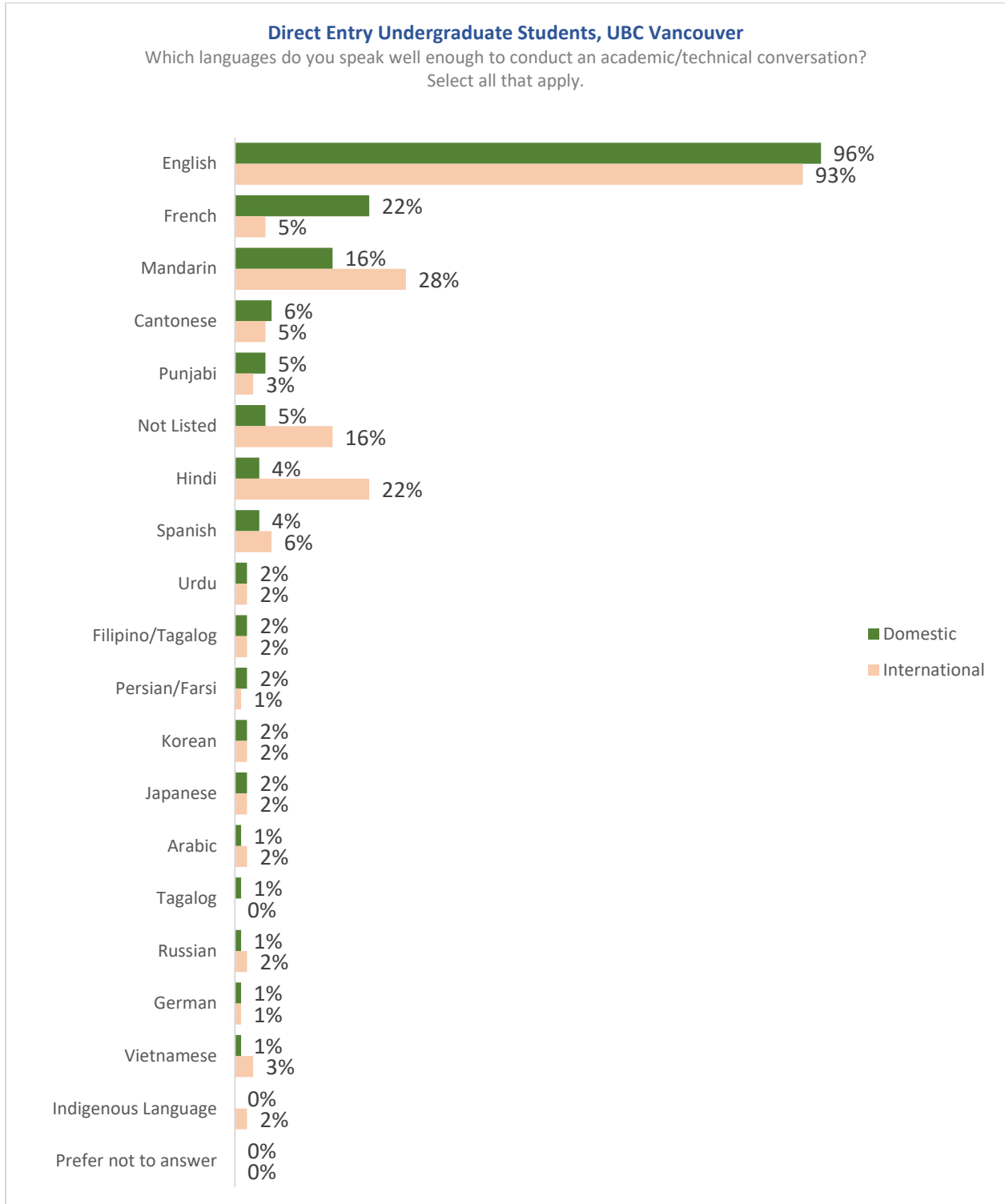


The majority of new to UBCV undergraduate students identify as heterosexual (63% domestic, 66% international).



UBCV	Domestic		International	
	%	n	%	n
Asexual	7%	123	6%	61
Bisexual	14%	254	11%	103
Gay	3%	56	2%	16
Heterosexual	63%	1146	66%	633
Lesbian	3%	52	2%	17
Pansexual	3%	53	3%	33
Queer	7%	125	4%	36
Questioning/Unsure	10%	181	8%	73
I choose not to disclose	7%	136	11%	107
Total	100%	1832	100%	957

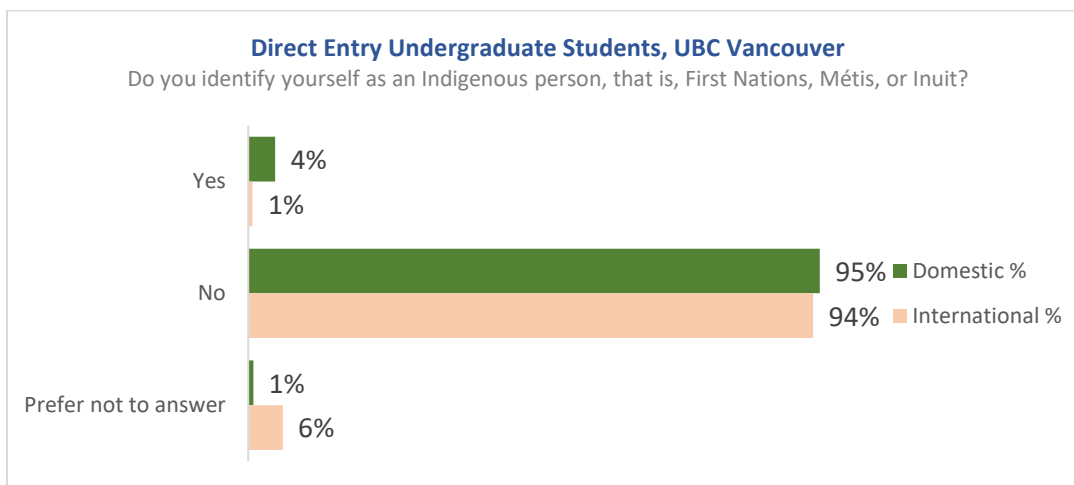
The large majority of new UBCV undergraduate students report they speak English well enough to hold an academic or technical conversation. This is consistent with previous years for both domestic (2022: 96%, 2021: 97%, 2020: 97%, 2019: 96%) and international (2022: 93%, 2021: 91%, 2020: 89%, 2019: 92%) students.



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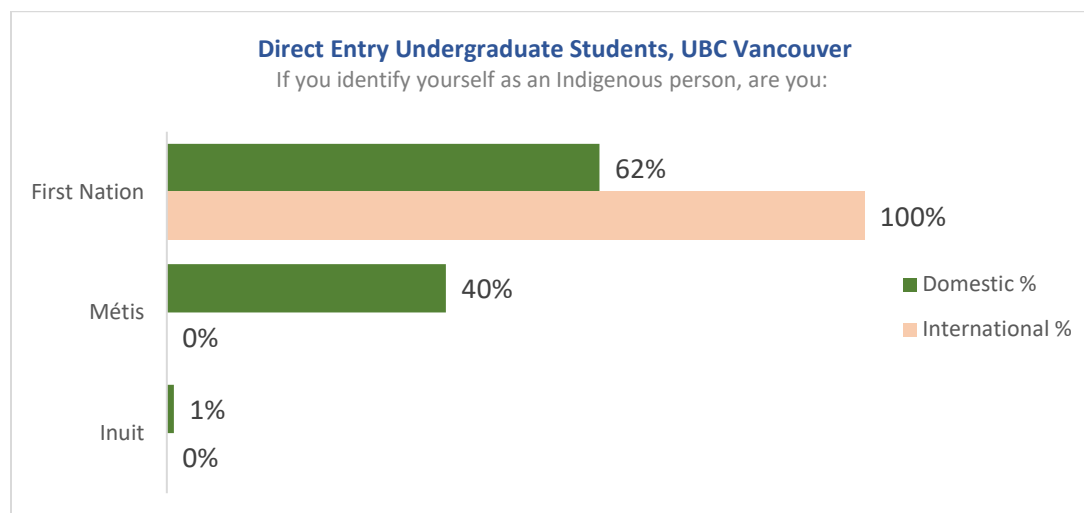
UBCV	Domestic		International	
	%	n	%	n
English	96%	1766	83%	925
French	22%	412	5%	54
Mandarin	16%	292	28%	273
Cantonese	6%	118	5%	48
Punjabi	5%	86	3%	34
Not Listed	5%	85	16%	155
Hindi	4%	70	22%	220
Spanish	4%	72	6%	63
Urdu	2%	28	2%	15
Filipino/Tagalog	2%	33	2%	16
Persian/Farsi	2%	30	1%	10
Korean	2%	33	2%	16
Japanese	2%	32	2%	23
Arabic	1%	22	2%	24
Tagalog	1%	15	0%	<5
Russian	1%	17	2%	18
German	1%	11	1%	13
Vietnamese	1%	13	3%	30
Indigenous Language	0%	<5	2%	20
Prefer not to answer	0%	17	0%	5
Distinct Count of Respondents	100%	1862	100%	995

Only a small minority (4% domestic, 1% international) of new to UBCV undergraduate students identify as indigenous.



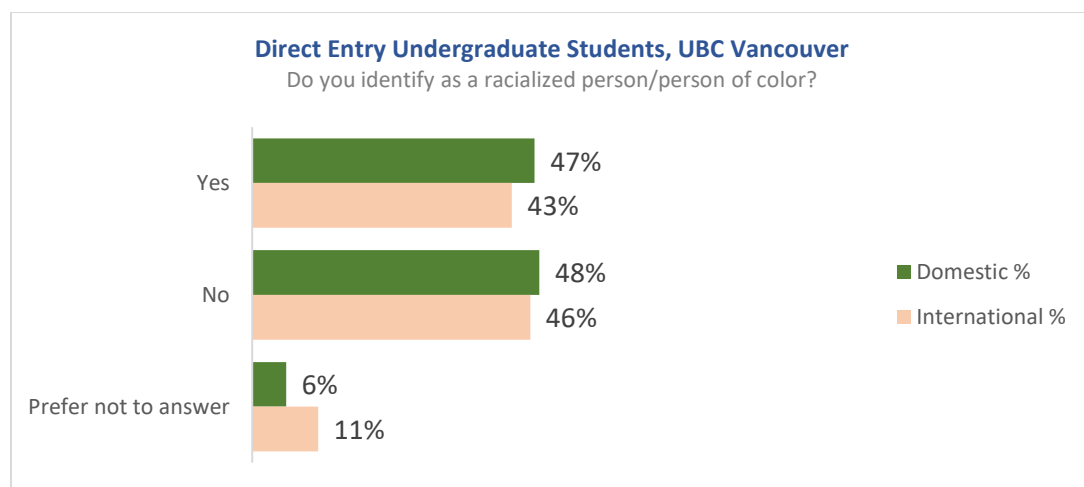
UBCV	Domestic		International	
	%	n	%	n
Yes	4%	84	1%	7
No	95%	1790	94%	933
Prefer not to answer	1%	16	6%	57
Total	100%	1890	100%	997

The majority of new UBCV undergraduate indigenous students identify as First Nation (62%, domestic, note the small n for international).



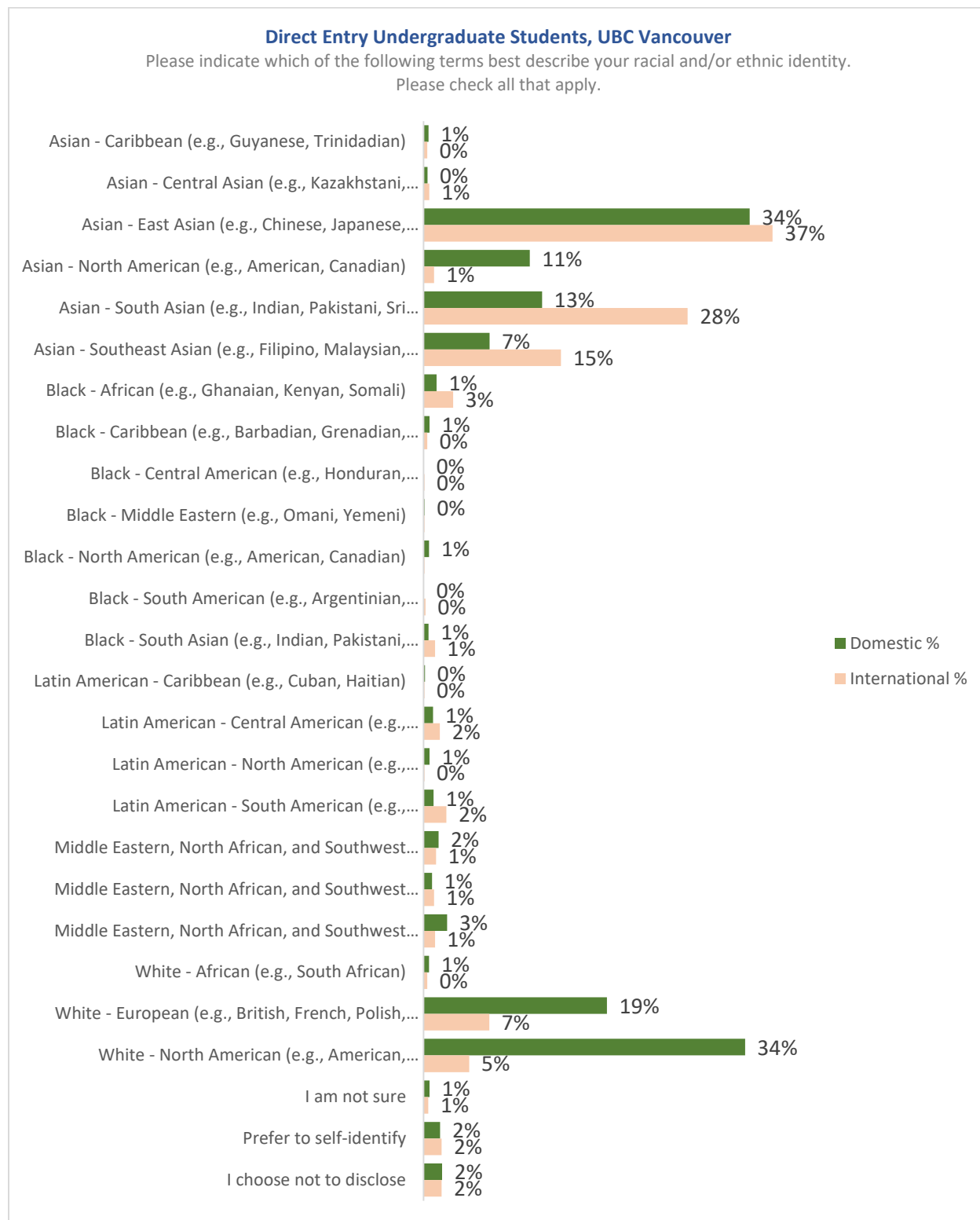
UBCV	Domestic		International	
	%	n	%	n
First Nation	62%	51	100%	<5
Métis	1%	<5	0%	0
Inuit	40%	33	0%	0
Total	100%	82	100%	<5

Close to half of new UBCV undergraduate students (47% domestic, 43% international) identify as a racialized person or person of color.



UBCV	Domestic		International	
	%	n	%	n
Yes	47%	882	43%	426
No	48%	897	46%	456
Prefer not to answer	6%	106	11%	108
Total	100%	1885	100%	990

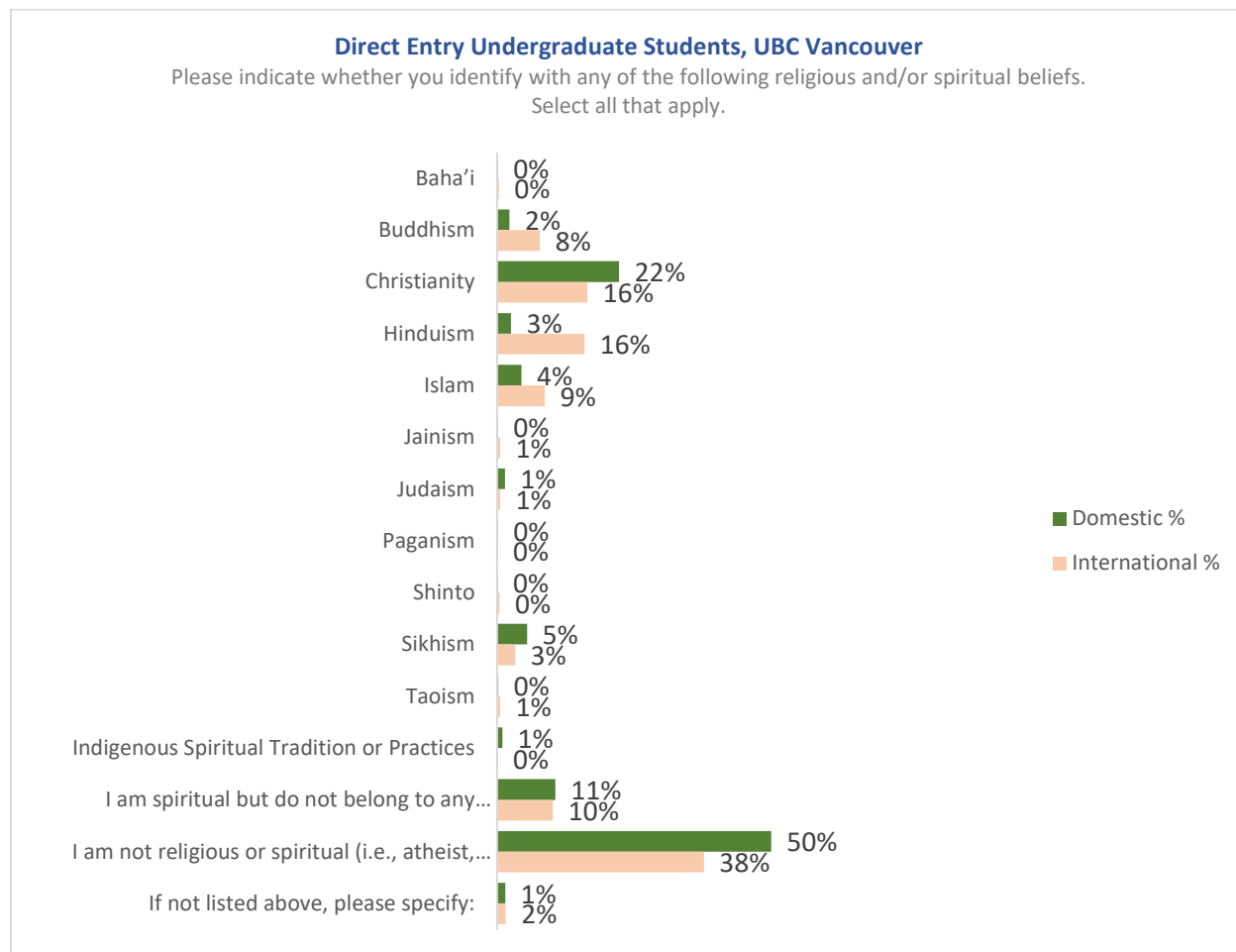
The majority (54%) of domestic new to UBCV undergraduate students identify as white, while international students most commonly identify as East Asian (37%) or South Asian (28%).



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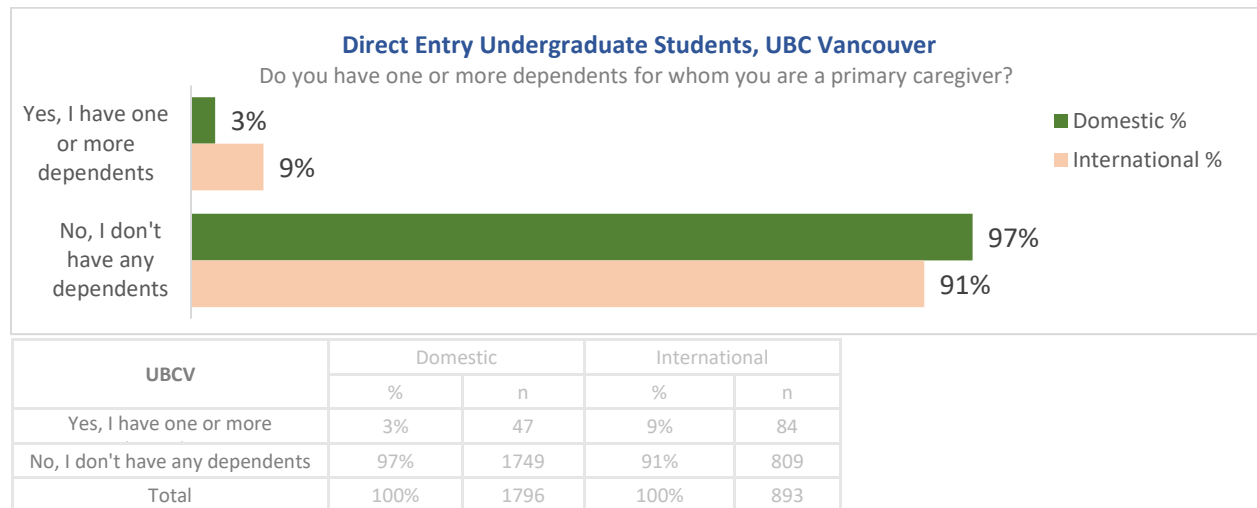
UBCV	Domestic		International	
	%	n	%	n
Asian - Caribbean (e.g., Guyanese, Trinidadian)	1%	10	0%	<5
Asian - Central Asian (e.g., Kazakhstani, Uzbekistani)	0%	8	1%	6
Asian - East Asian (e.g., Chinese, Japanese, Korean)	34%	647	37%	366
Asian - North American (e.g., American, Canadian)	11%	211	1%	11
Asian - South Asian (e.g., Indian, Pakistani, Sri Lankan)	13%	235	28%	277
Asian - Southeast Asian (e.g., Filipino, Malaysian, Vietnamese)	7%	131	15%	144
Black - African (e.g., Ghanaian, Kenyan, Somali)	1%	26	3%	31
Black - Caribbean (e.g., Barbadian, Grenadian, Jamaican)	1%	12	0%	<5
Black - Central American (e.g., Honduran, Mexican)	0%	<5	0%	<5
Black - Middle Eastern (e.g., Omani, Yemeni)	0%	<5	0%	<5
Black - North American (e.g., American, Canadian)	1%	11	0%	<5
Black - South American (e.g., Argentinian, Brazilian)	0%	<5	0%	<5
Black - South Asian (e.g., Indian, Pakistani, Punjabi, Sri Lankan)	1%	10	1%	12
Latin American - Caribbean (e.g., Cuban, Haitian)	0%	<5	0%	<5
Latin American - Central American (e.g., Honduran, Mexican)	1%	19	2%	17
Latin American - North American (e.g., American, Canadian)	1%	12	0%	<5
Latin American - South American (e.g., Argentinian, Brazilian)	1%	20	2%	24
Middle Eastern, North African, and Southwest Asian - Middle Eastern (e.g., Israeli, Lebanese, Palestinian, Syrian)	2%	30	1%	13
Middle Eastern, North African, and Southwest Asian - North African (e.g., Egyptian, Libyan, Moroccan)	1%	17	1%	11
Middle Eastern, North African, and Southwest Asian - Southwest Asian (e.g., Afghan, Iranian)	3%	47	1%	12
White - African (e.g., South African)	1%	11	0%	<5
White - European (e.g., British, French, Polish, Russian)	19%	364	7%	69
White - North American (e.g., American, Canadian)	34%	638	5%	48
I am not sure	1%	12	1%	5
Prefer to self-identify	2%	33	2%	19
I choose not to disclose	2%	37	2%	19
Distinct Count of Respondents	100%	1879	100%	993

The single largest type of religion or spiritual belief of new UBCV undergraduate students is of those that are not religious or spiritual (50% domestic, 38% international).

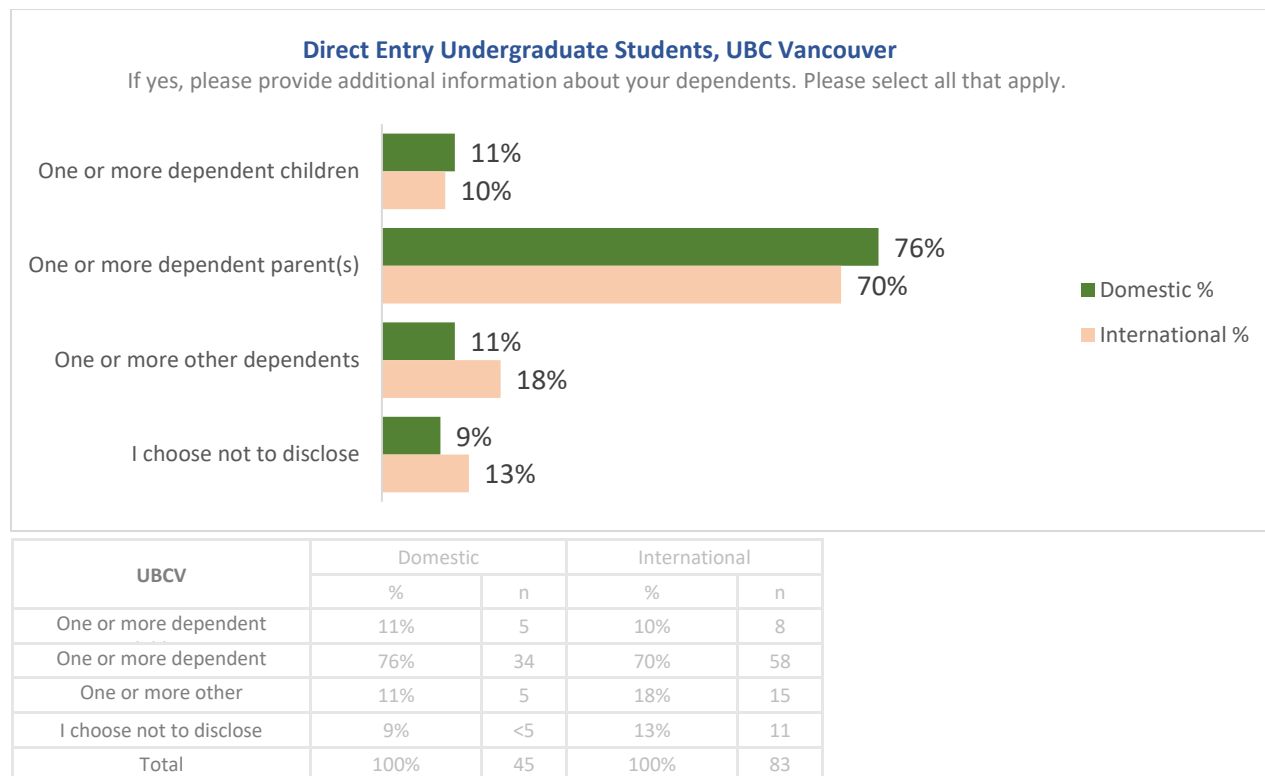


UBCV	Domestic		International	
	%	n	%	n
Baha'i	0%	<5	0%	<5
Buddhism	2%	38	8%	69
Christianity	22%	375	16%	146
Hinduism	3%	43	16%	141
Islam	4%	75	9%	77
Jainism	0%	<5	1%	5
Judaism	1%	24	1%	5
Paganism	0%	<5	0%	<5
Shinto	0%	<5	0%	<5
Sikhism	5%	92	3%	29
Taoism	0%	<5	1%	5
Indigenous Spiritual Tradition or Practices	1%	16	0%	<5
I am spiritual but do not belong to any specific religious	11%	179	10%	90
I am not religious or spiritual (i.e., atheist, agnostic, non-religious)	50%	842	38%	334
If not listed above, please specify:	1%	25	2%	14
Distinct Count of Respondents	100%	1687	100%	887

Only a small minority of new UBCV undergraduate students (3% domestic, 9% international) have dependents for which they are a primary caregiver.

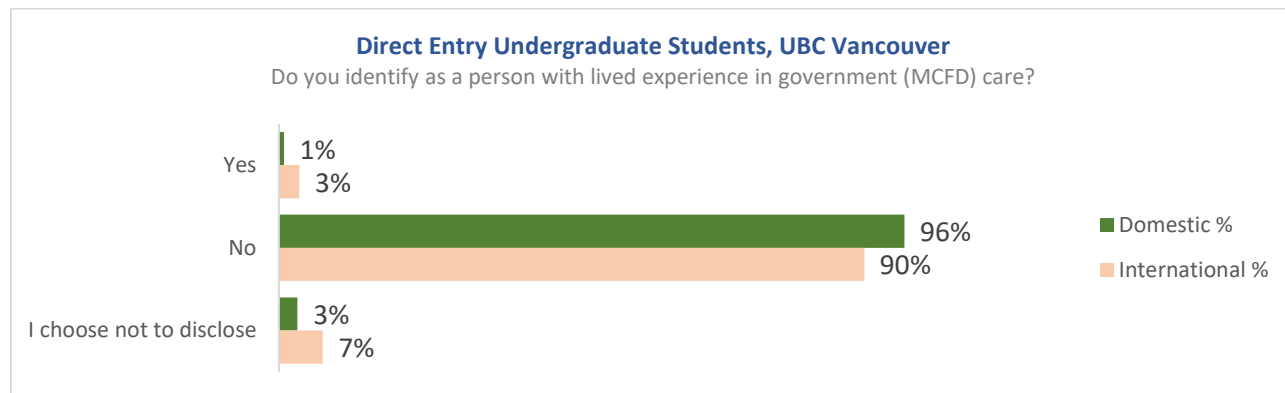


Of new UBCV undergraduate students who have dependents for which they are a primary caregiver, most (76% domestic, 70% international) are taking care of dependent parents.



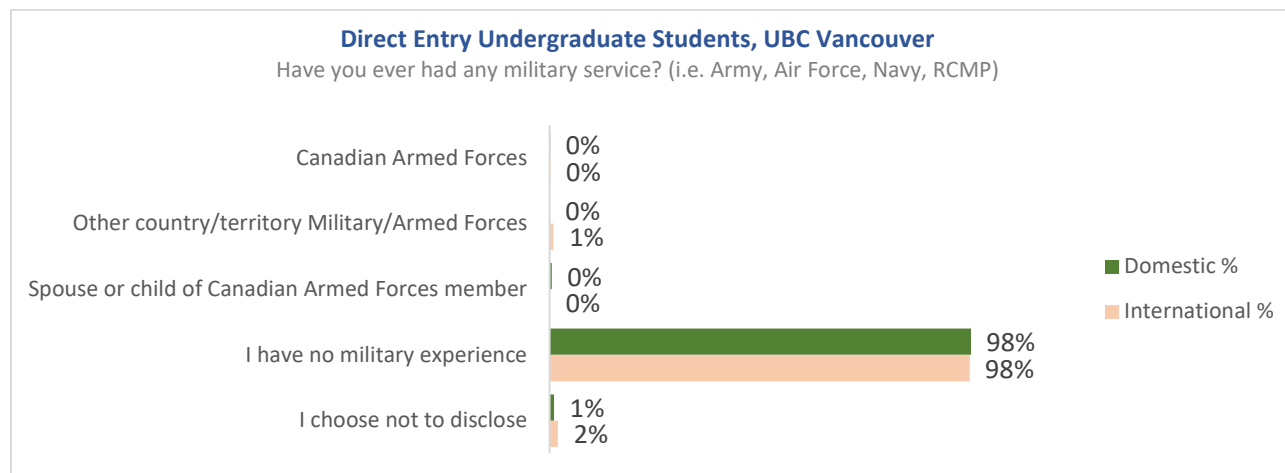


A small minority of new UBCV undergraduate students (1% domestic, 3% international) identify as a person with lived experience in government care.



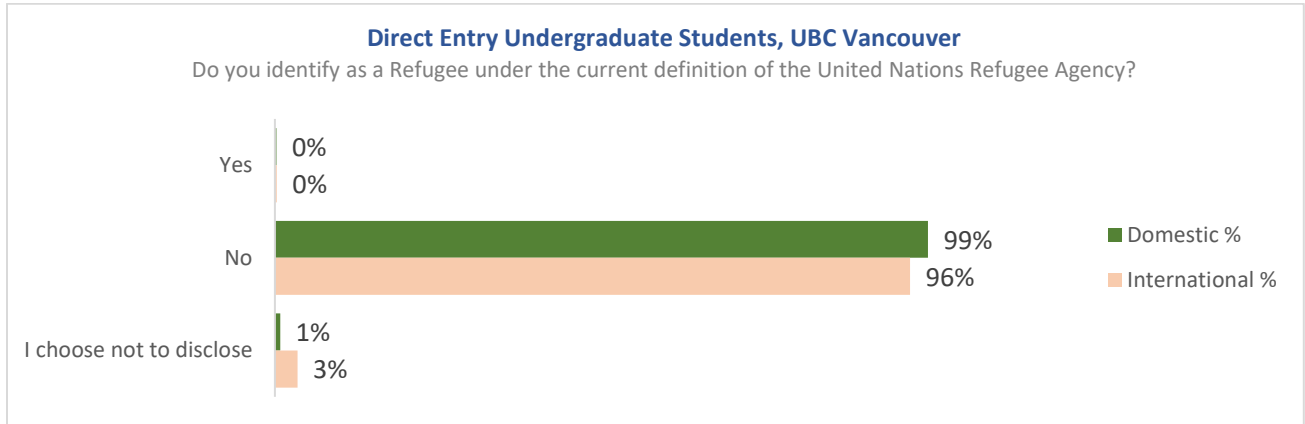
UBCV	Domestic		International	
	%	n	%	n
Yes	1%	15	3%	31
No	96%	1813	90%	895
I choose not to disclose	3%	54	7%	67
Total	100%	1882	100%	993

The large majority new UBCV undergraduate students (98% domestic, 98% international) have had no military experience.



UBCV	Domestic		International	
	%	n	%	n
Canadian Armed Forces	0%	<5	0%	<5
Other country/territory Military/Armed Forces	0%	<5	1%	9
Spouse or child of Canadian Armed Forces	0%	9	0%	<5
I have no military experience	98%	1849	98%	962
I choose not to disclose	1%	20	2%	19
Total	100%	1880	100%	981

A handful of new UBCV undergraduate students identify as refugee under the definition of the United Nations Refugee Agency.



UBCV	Domestic		International	
	%	n	%	n
Yes	0%	<5	0%	<5
No	99%	1864	96%	956
I choose not to disclose	1%	15	3%	34
Total	100%	1883	100%	993