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Mind your own business?

Business database subscriptions in Atlantic Canadian post-secondary libraries

Background

Databases are essential resources. As early-career librarians in business liaison roles, we wanted insights into business database use across members of the Council of Atlantic Academic Libraries (CAAL-CBPA)

Methods

16 CAAL members + 6 national comparator schools

WEBSITE SCANS

- Database lists & research guides
- February 2023 & October 2024

What we recorded - program info & every unique database

Determined whether each database was Business focused or not

Found the duplicates, e.g. "Knotia CPA" vs. "CPA Knotia"

Analyzed and visualized results, including tracking changes from 2023 to 2024

Results

What's the average?

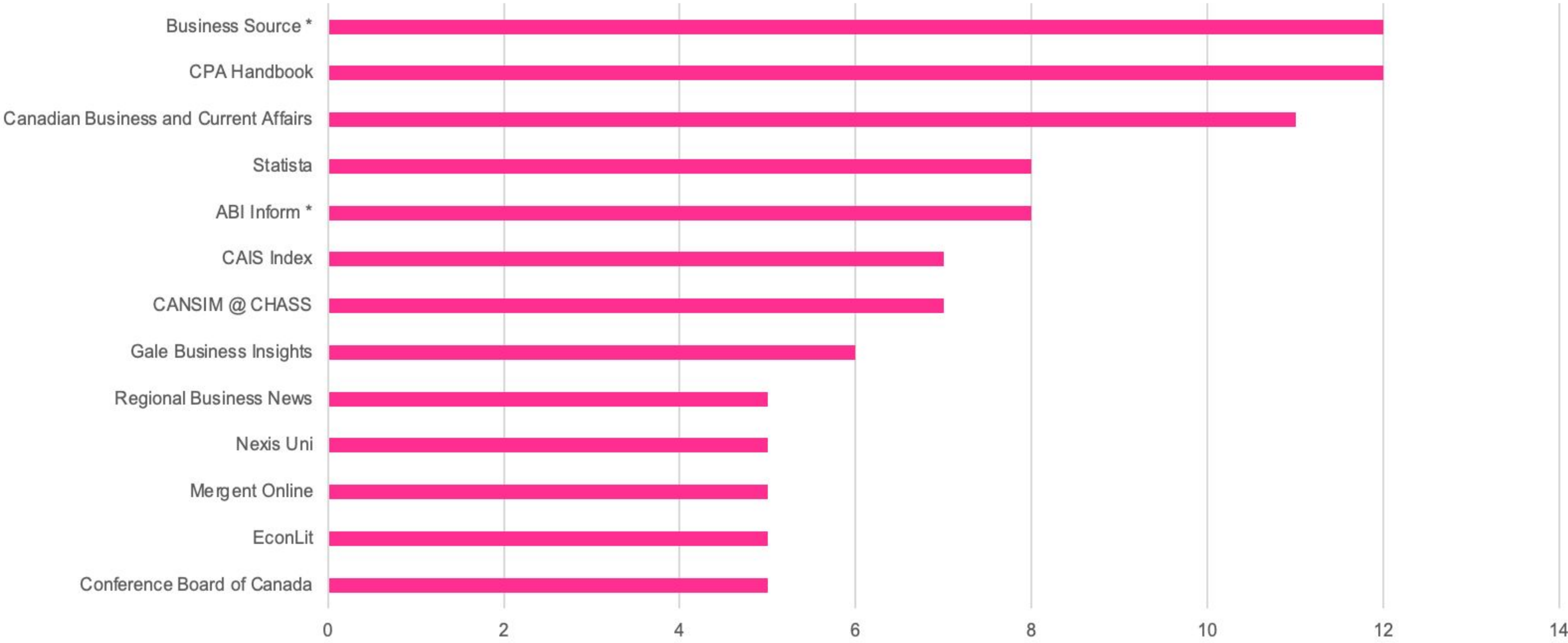
Number of databases in CAAL
29.75

Number of databases in comparison schools
51

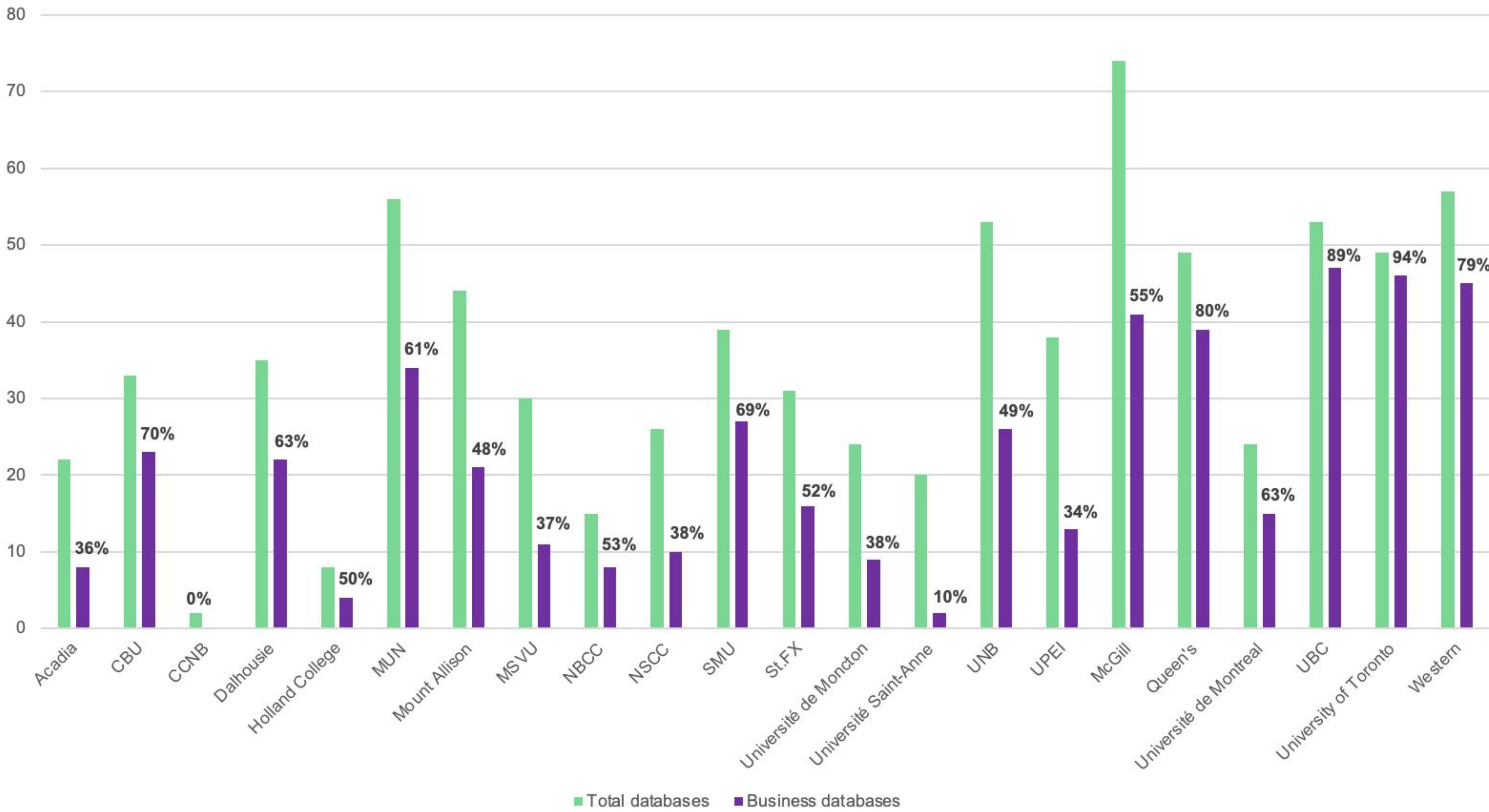
Number of business databases in CAAL
14.7

Number of business databases in comparison schools
38.8

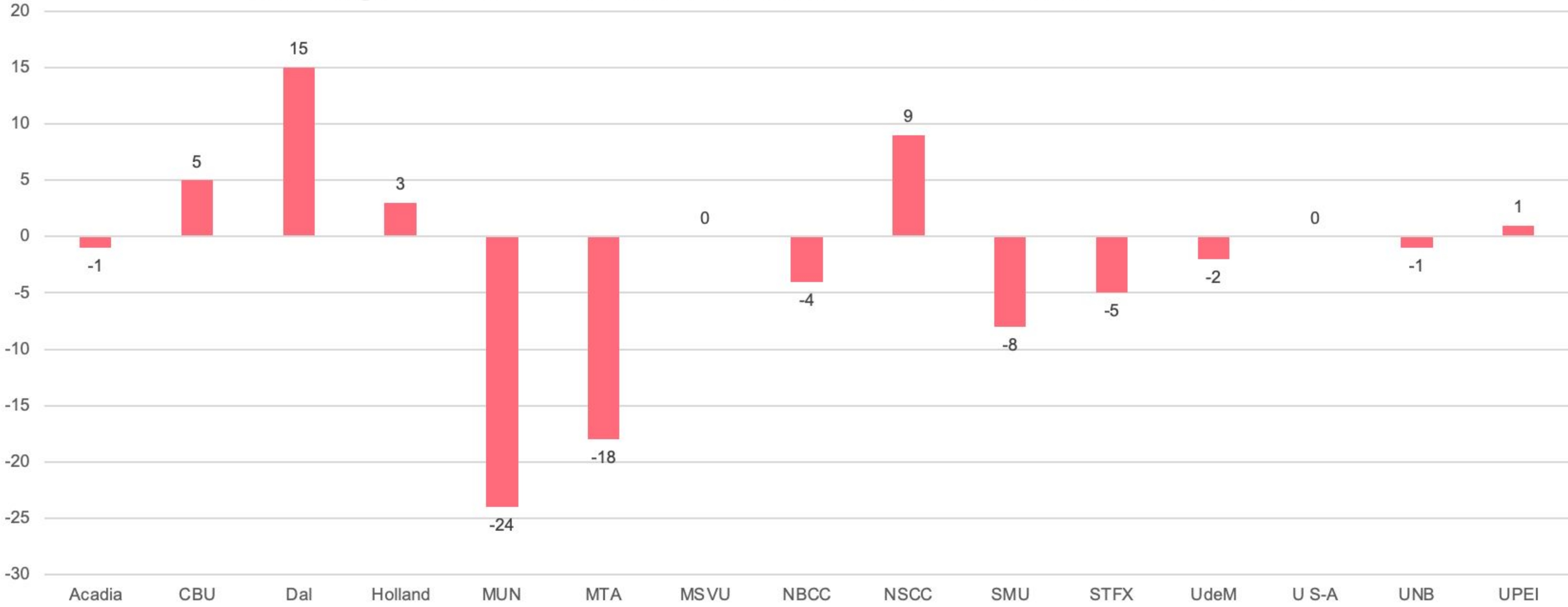
Most popular databases



Databases vs. Business databases at all institutions



Net change in recommended databases at CAAL-CBPA institutions from 2022 to 2024



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