

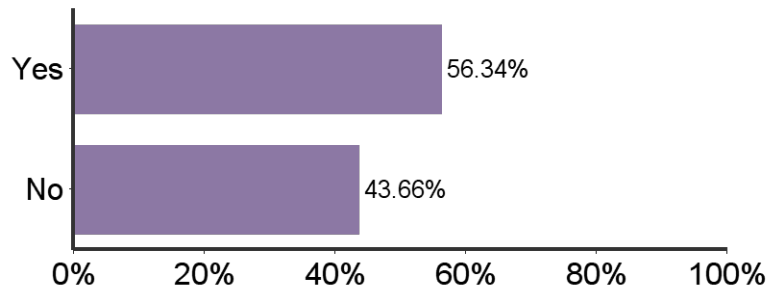
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Responses	438
Initial Population	2,382
Response Rate	18.38%

Survey Information:

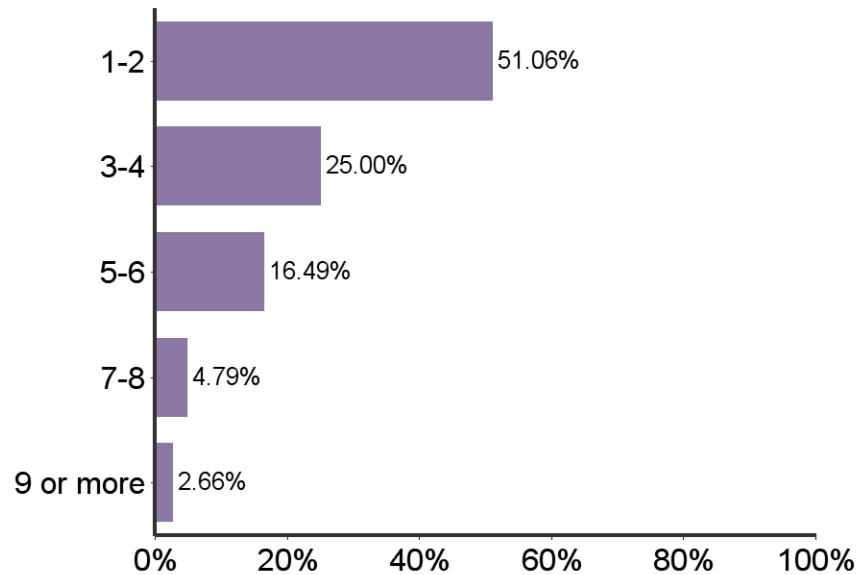
- The Alumni Survey is designed to give graduates an opportunity to reflect upon their years at K-State one year after graduation. This information is used to improve the college experience for future students by identifying strengths in our programs as well as areas that need further development. The survey includes questions relating to academic program satisfaction, intellectual and personal growth, student services, and preparation for a career or graduate/professional school.
- The 2014-15 survey was administered to alumni who graduated one year ago. It was offered via e-mail over the period 9/17/2014-11/17/2014.

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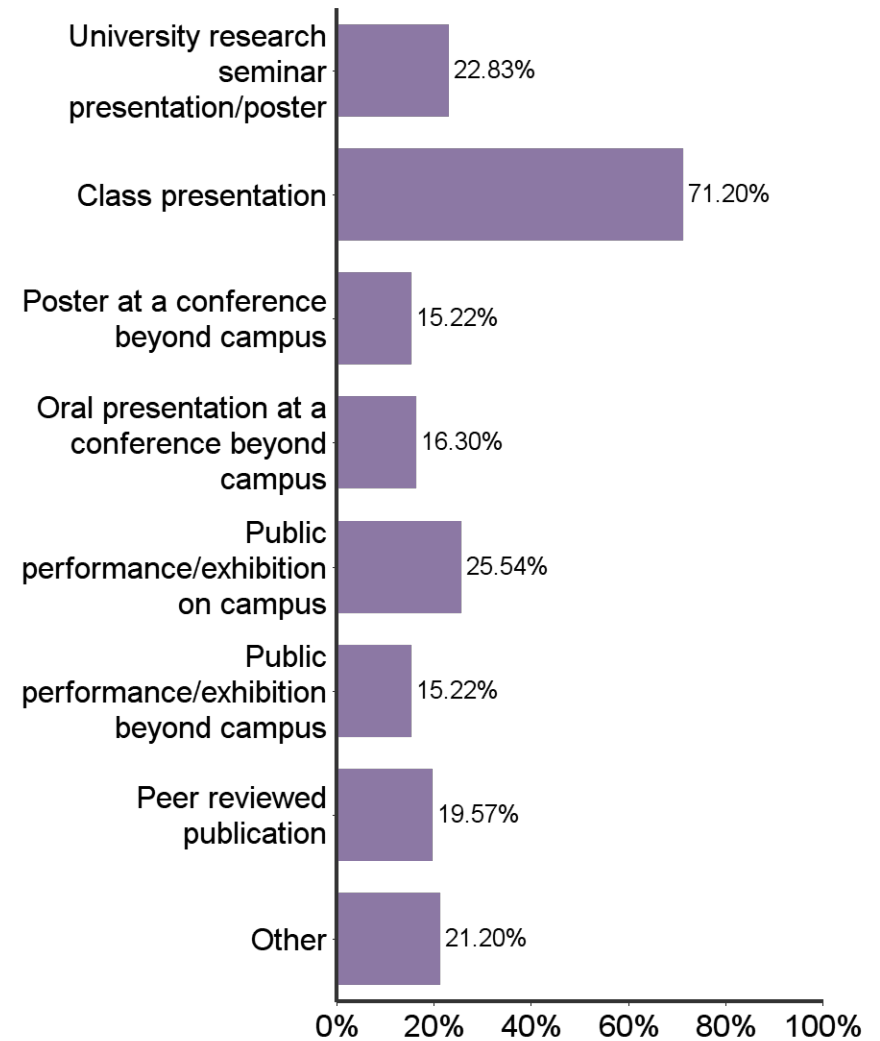
Percent of respondents' who participated in research/creative endeavors:



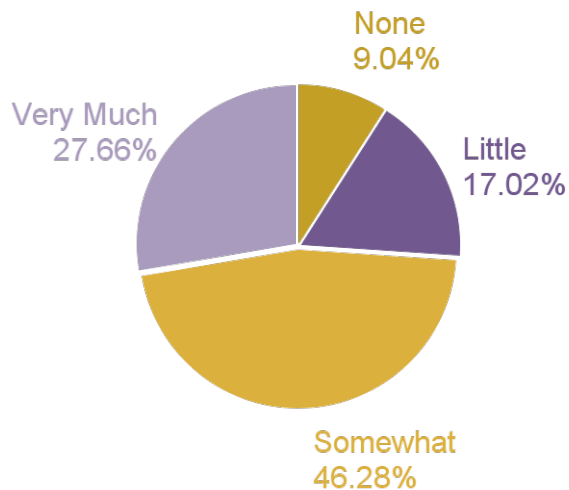
Number of semesters involved in research/creative endeavors:



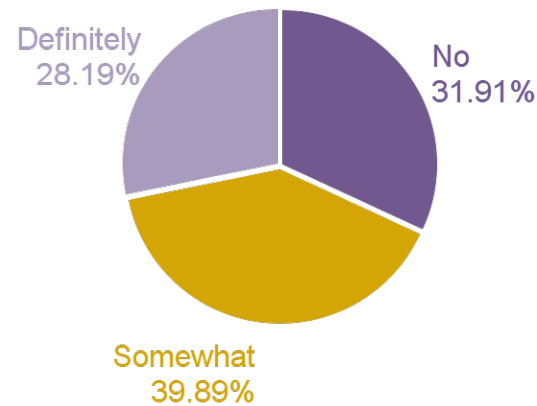
Types of undergraduate research/creative endeavor respondents achieved:



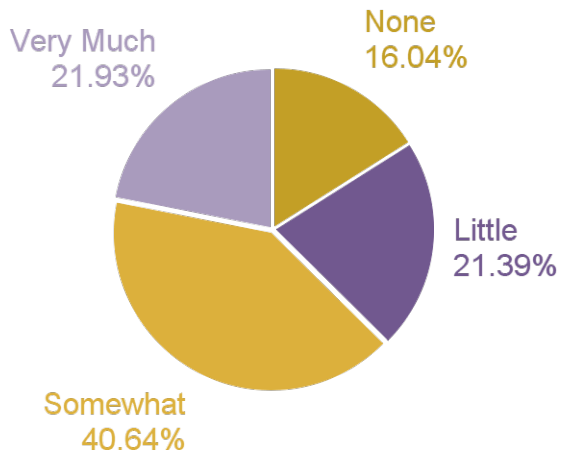
Contribution of research/creative endeavor experience to success in respondents' current profession:



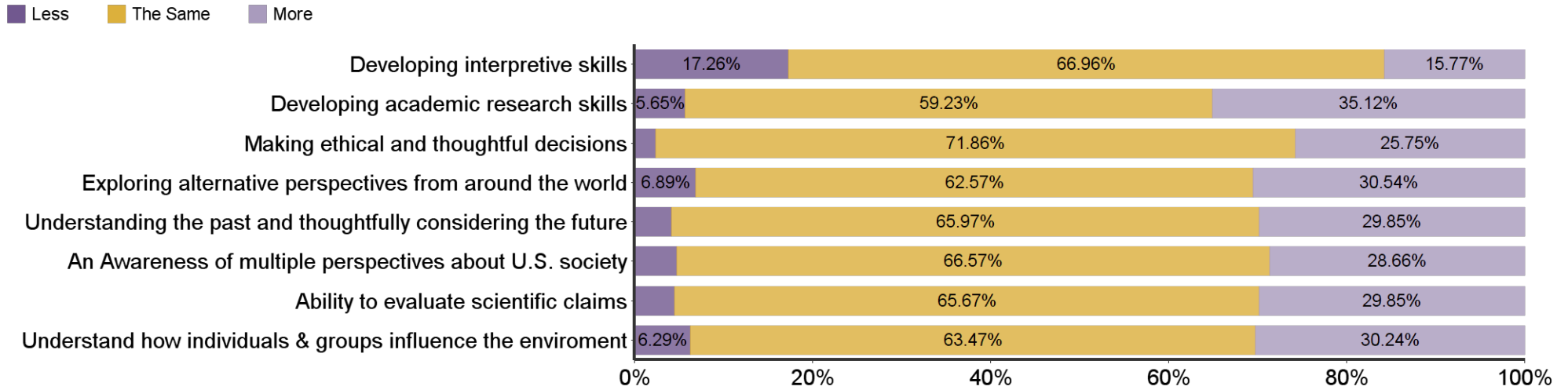
Did respondents feel their research/creative endeavor contribute to their career choices?



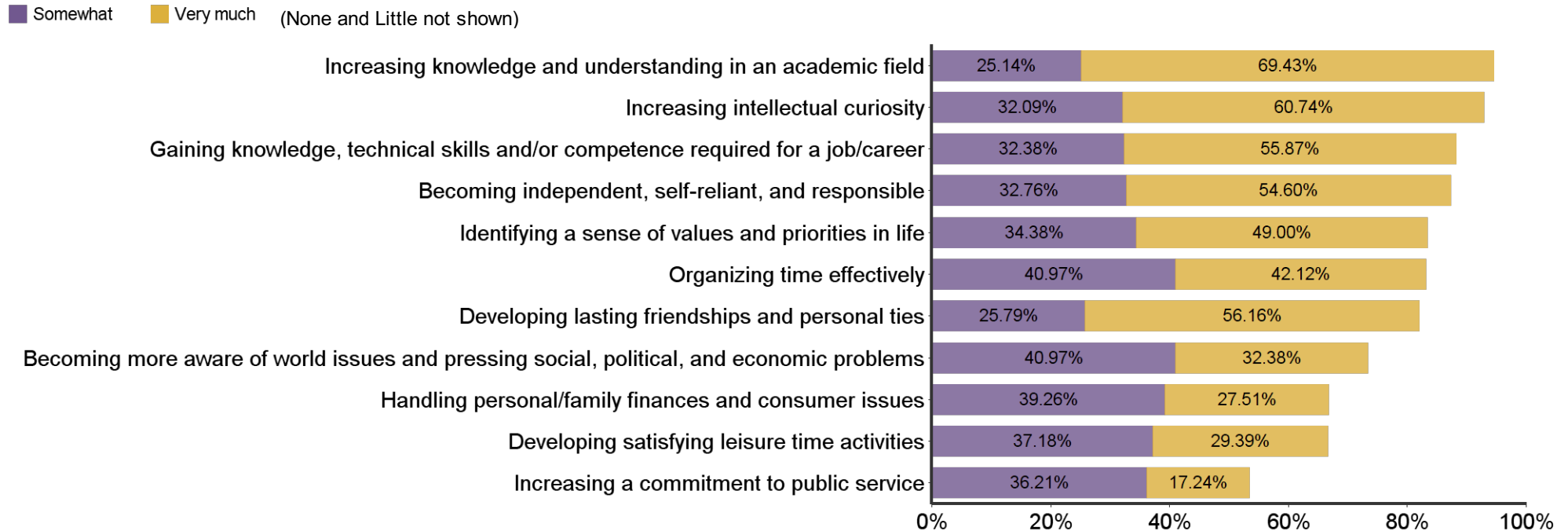
Extent to which respondents felt their research/creative endeavor contributed to their undergraduate academic success:



Emphasis repondents felt should have been placed on the following K-State 8 (general education) areas:

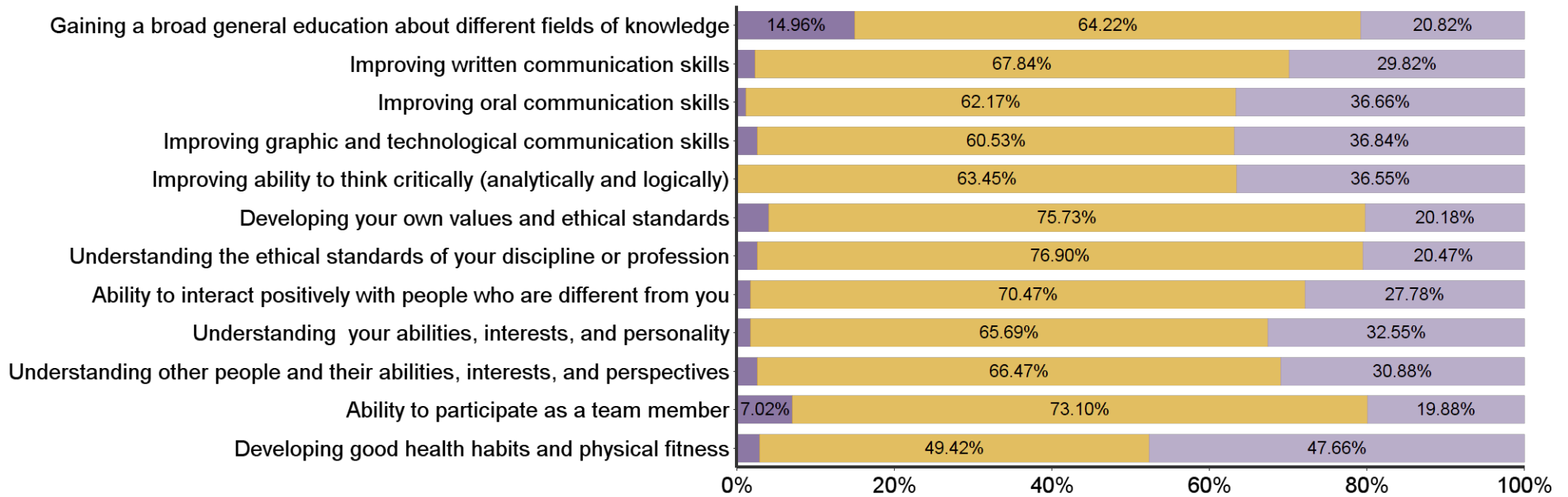


Amount respondents felt the Kansas State Universtiy contributed to growth in each area:

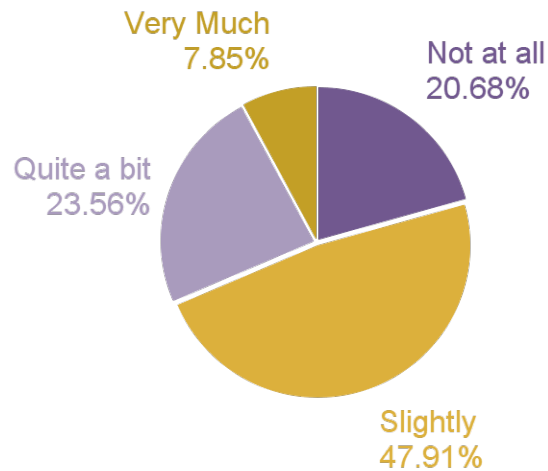


Emphasis respondents felt should have been placed on the following undergraduate learning outcomes:

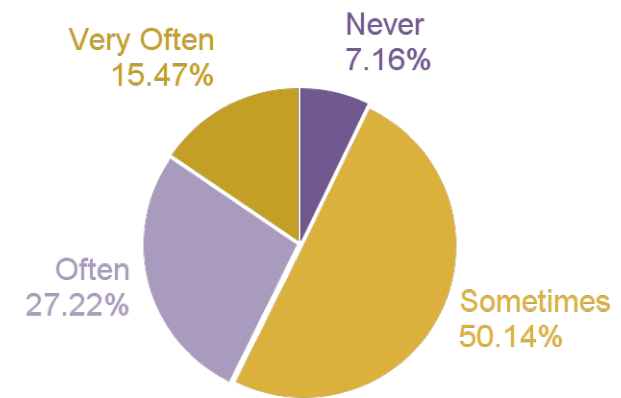
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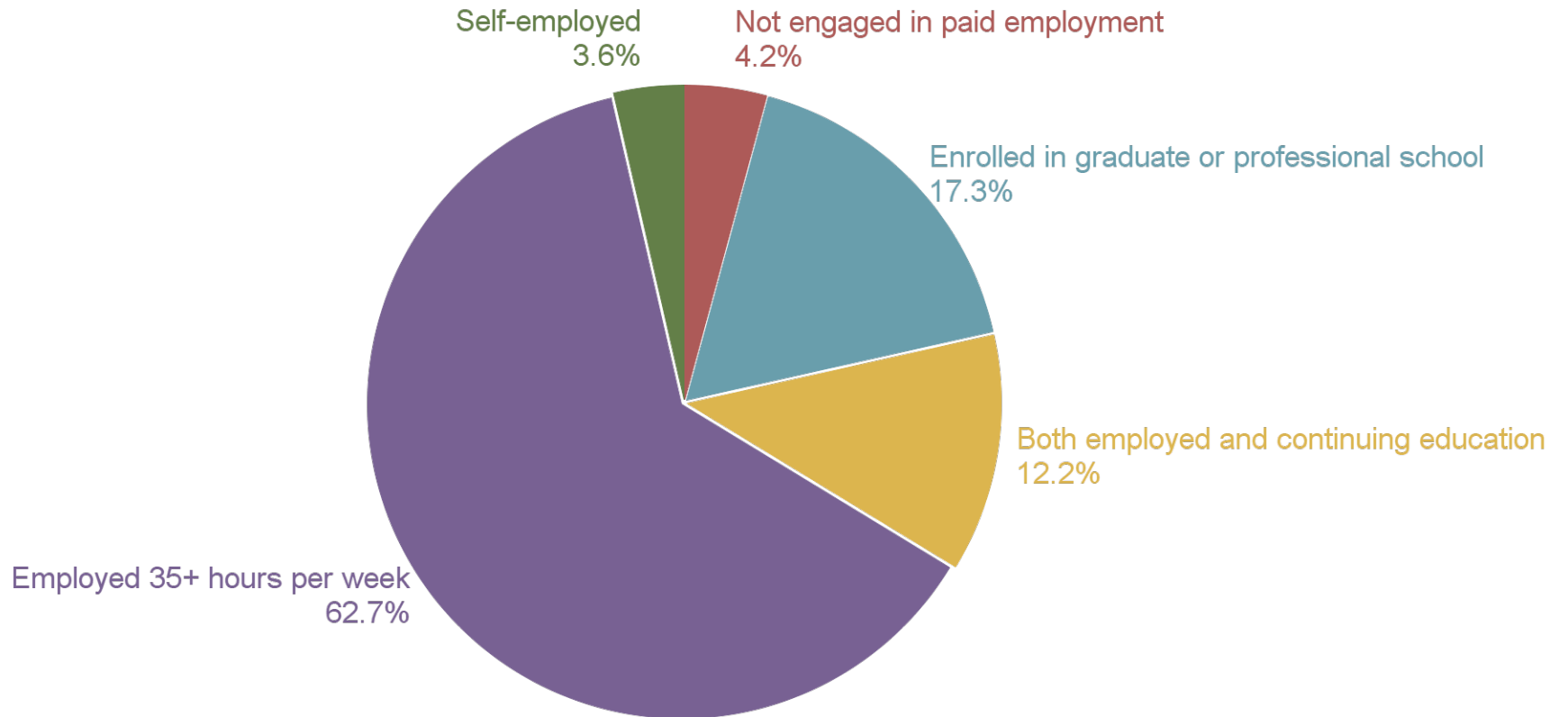
Degree to which undergraduate experiences motivated respondents to become involved in community activities:



How often did your courses include diverse perspectives in activities, assignments and discussions?

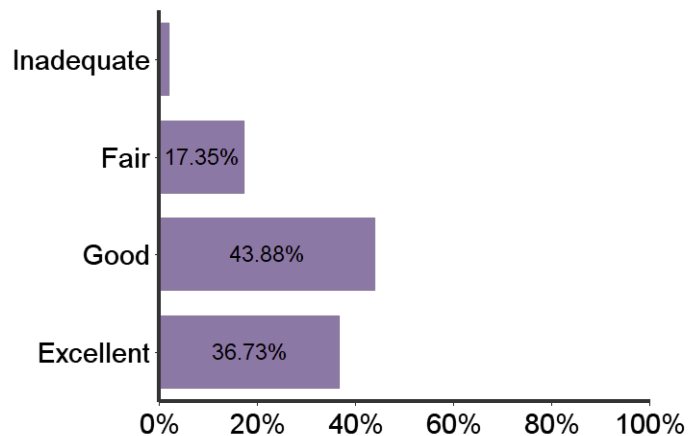


Respondents' Current Activities:

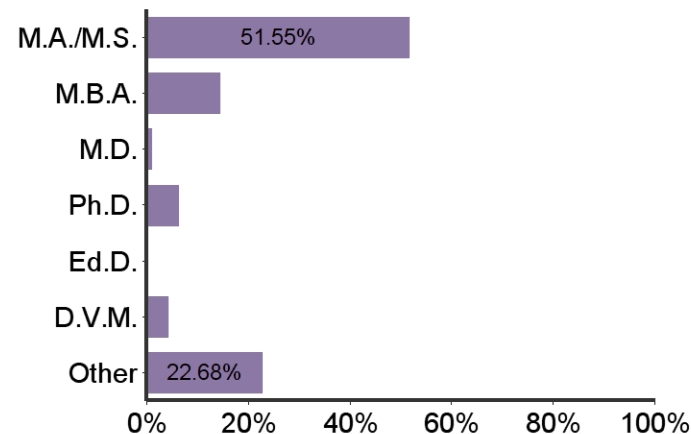


58 respondent(s) reported that they were continuing their education

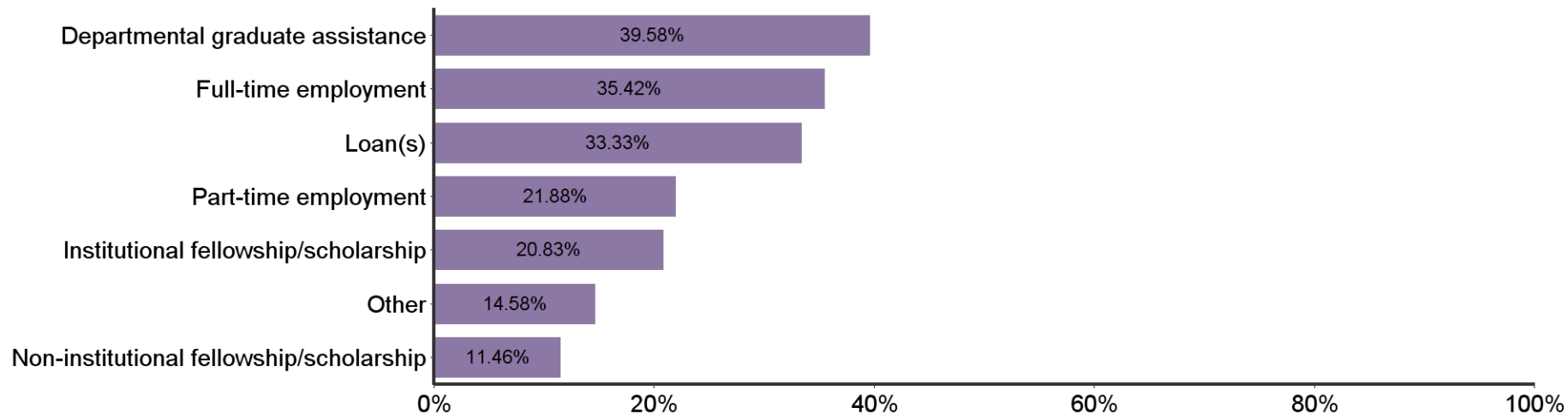
Respondents' rating of quality of their undergraduate preparation for graduate or professional education:



Degree respondents are currently pursuing:

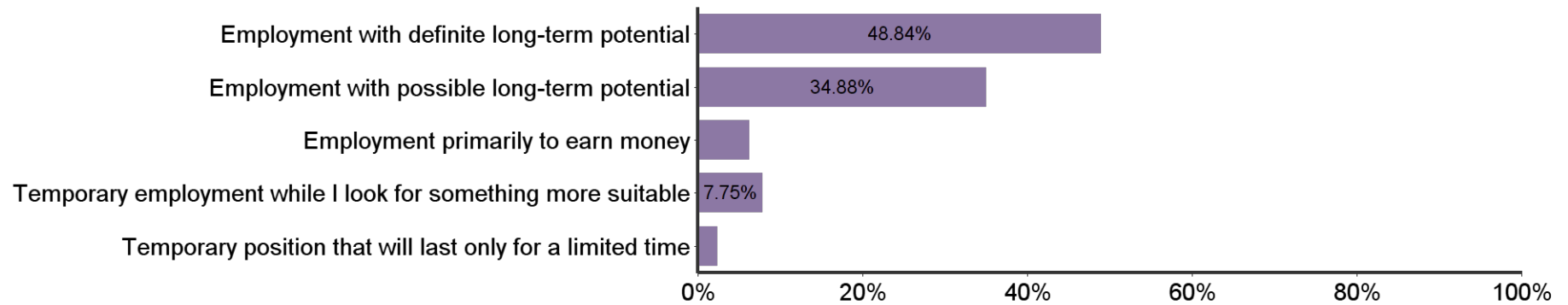


Financial assistance that supports respondents' graduate study:

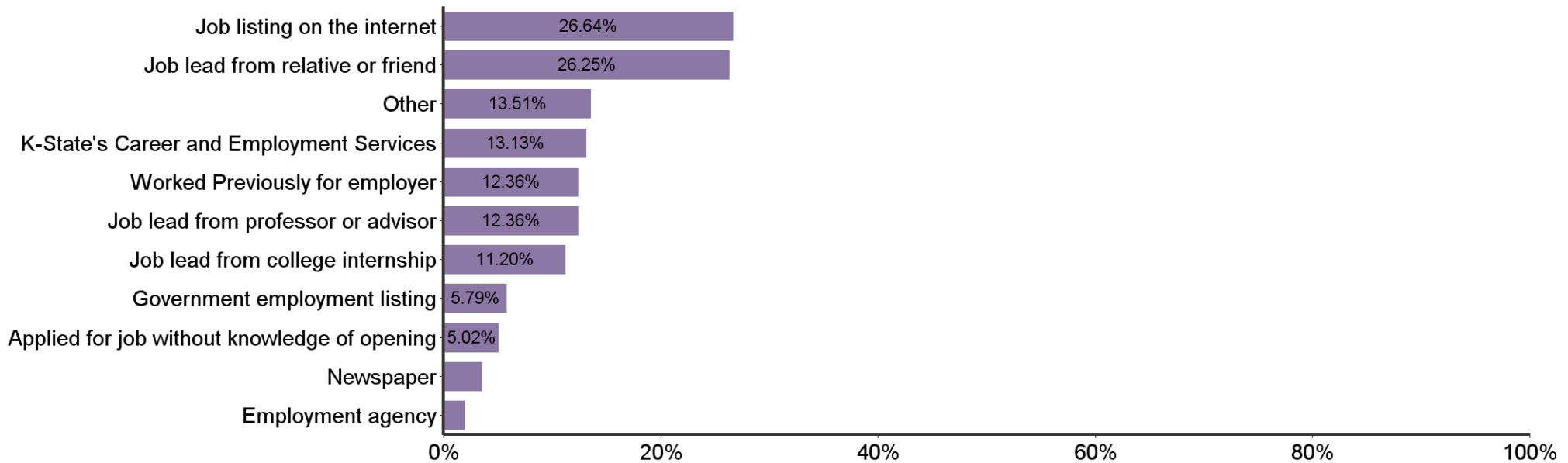


210 respondent(s) reported that they were engaged in full time employment

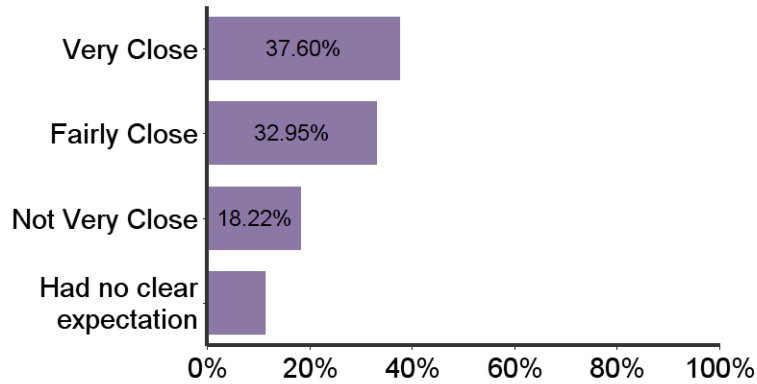
Current position of respondents:



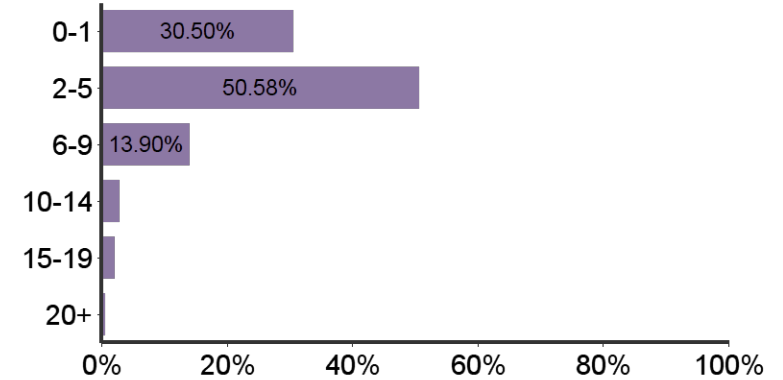
Respondents learned of job by:



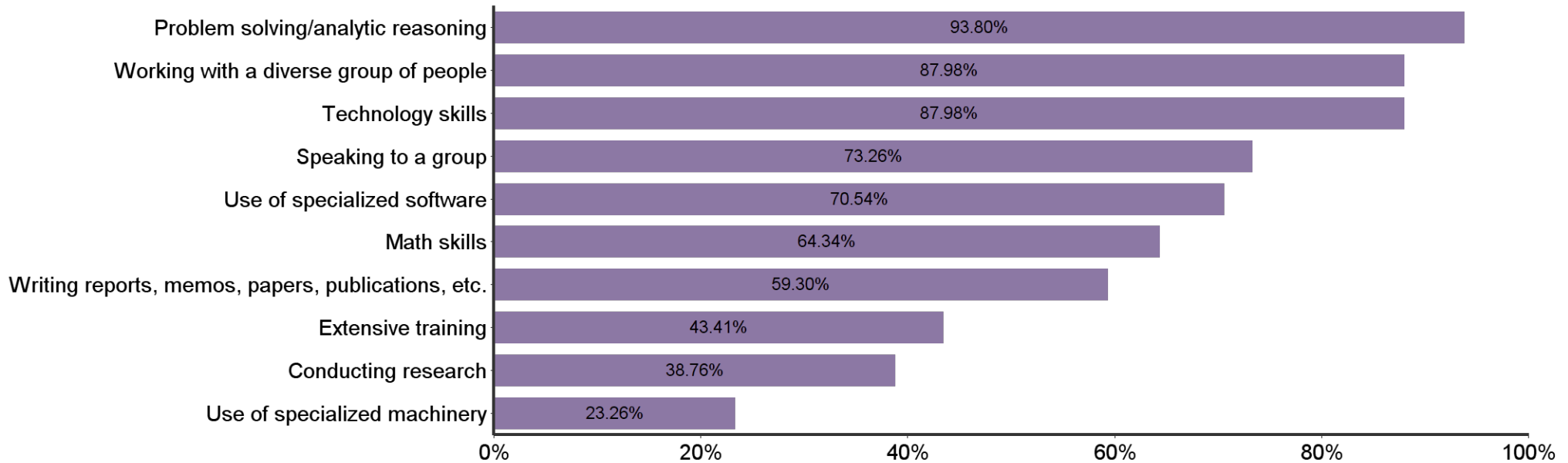
How close respondents' current jobs are to the type of job they desired:



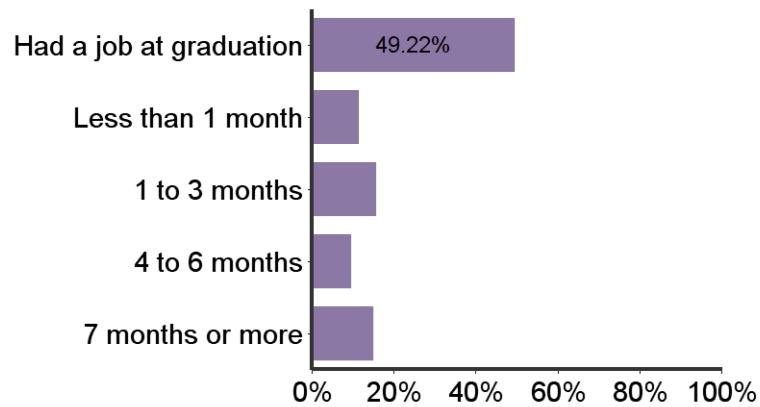
Number of job interviews had before accepting current position:



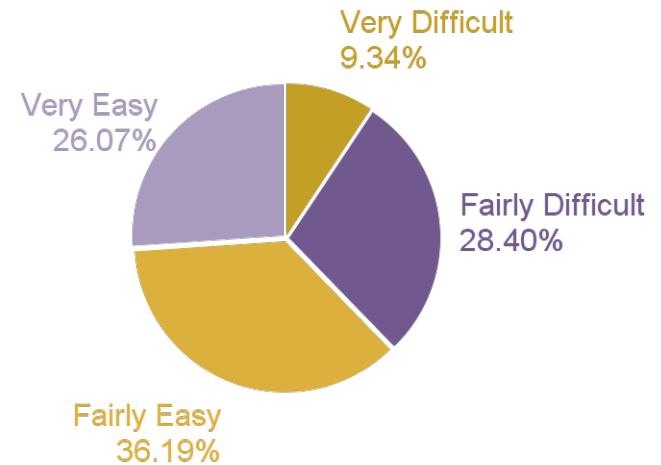
Skills required of respondents:



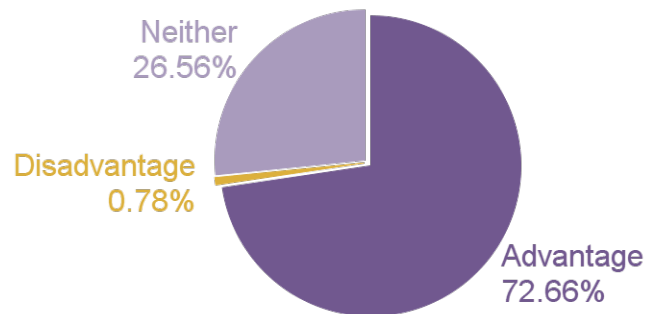
Time taken for respondents to obtain current full-time position:



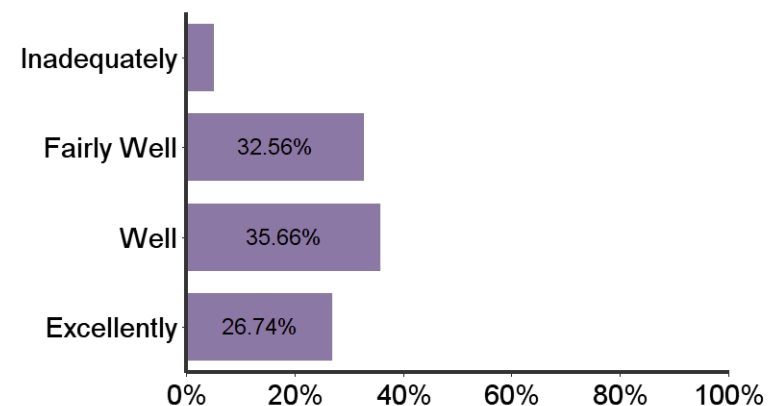
Degree of difficulty in finding employment:



Respondents felt that their K-State experience gave them a/an:

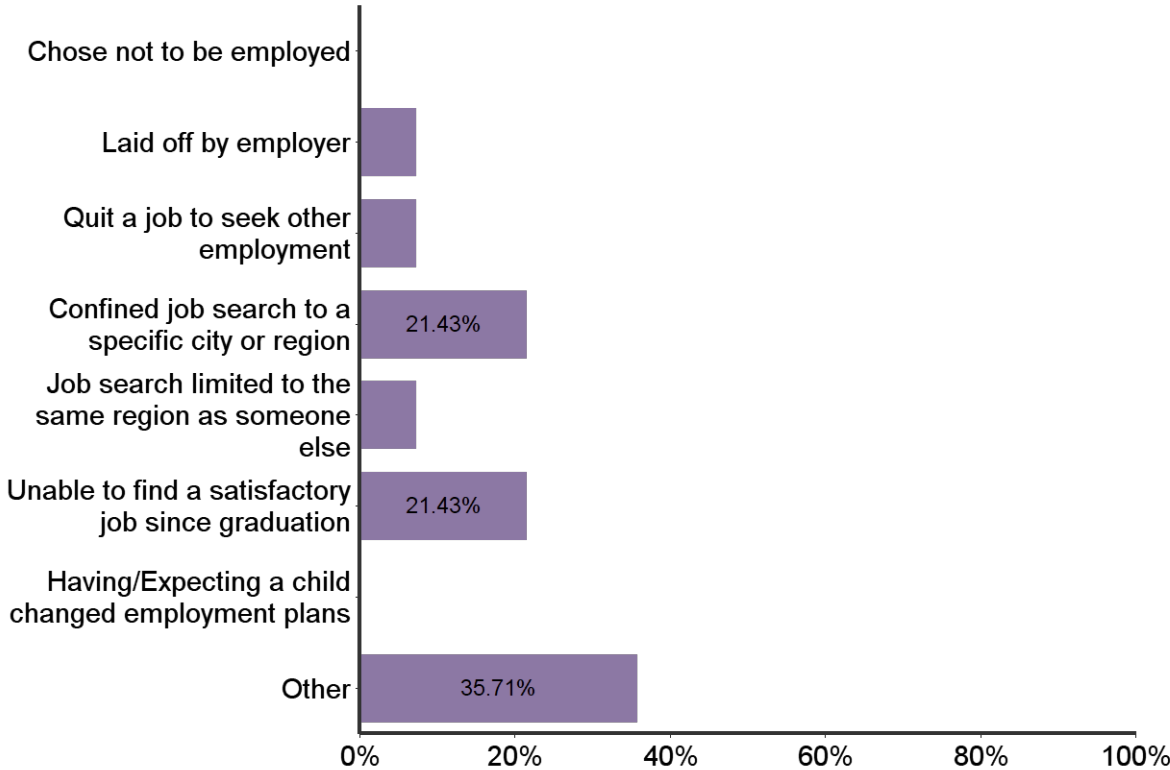


Degree to which respondents felt prepared for their present job:

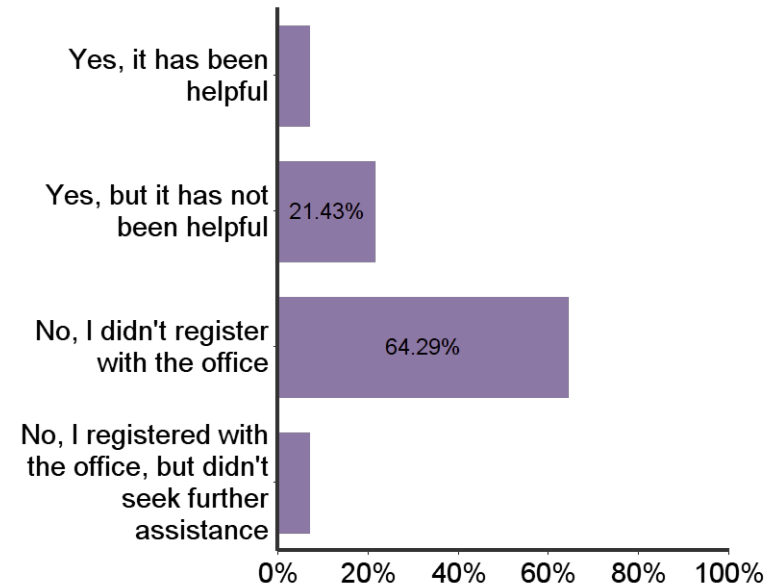


14 respondent(s) reported that they were not engaged in paid employment

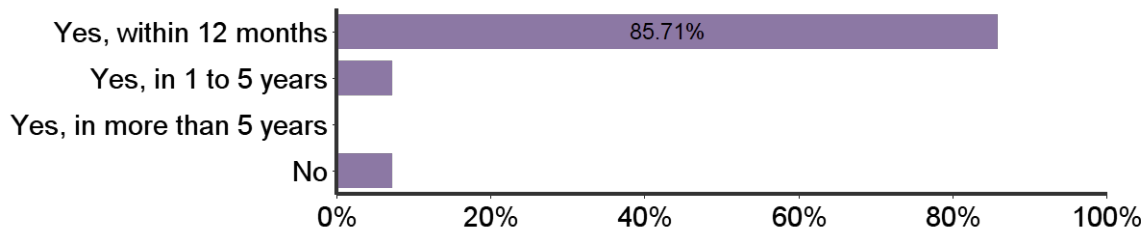
Primary reason that they were not employed:



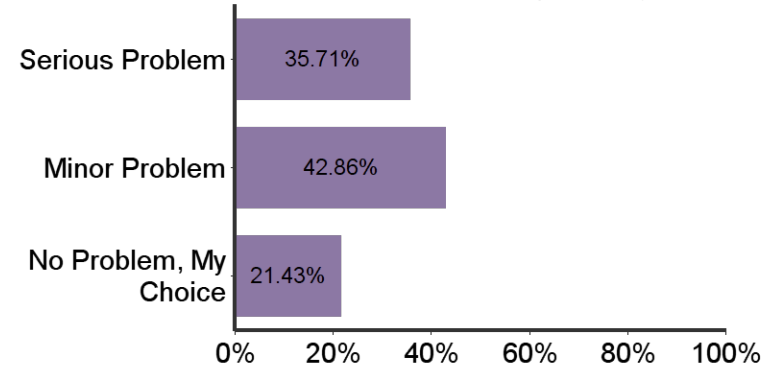
Have respondents sought job placement assistance from the Office of Career and Employment Services?



Respondents planning to seek paid employment:



Respondents' description of not being employed:



Responses by Gender		
	Percent	Count
Female	55.5%	243
Male	44.5%	195
Total	100.0%	438

Responses by Citizenship Status		
	Percent	Count
Citizen	98.2%	430
Non-Citizen	1.1%	5
Total	99.3%	435

Responses by Age		
	Percent	Count
22	0.9%	4
23	22.1%	97
24	33.6%	147
25	20.5%	90
26	8.9%	39
27	2.7%	12
28	2.7%	12
29	1.6%	7
30	1.4%	6
31	0.7%	3
33	1.1%	5
34	0.2%	1
35	0.2%	1
36	0.2%	1
38	0.2%	1
41	0.2%	1
42	0.2%	1
43	0.2%	1
44	0.2%	1
47	0.2%	1
50	0.5%	2
52	0.5%	2
53	0.5%	2
54	0.2%	1
Total	100.0%	438

Responses by College		
	Percent	Count
Agriculture	15.8%	69
Arts and Sciences	32.6%	143
Business Administration	13.5%	59
Education	8.7%	38
Engineering	15.8%	69
Human Ecology	11.4%	50
Technology and Aviation	2.3%	10
Total	100.0%	438

Responses by Ethnicity/Race		
	Percent	Count
White	86.5%	379
Multi-Racial	3.4%	15
Black	3.2%	14
Hispanic	2.1%	9
Asian	1.6%	7
Prefer not to respond	1.1%	5
American Indian	0.7%	3
Total	98.6%	432

If you could start over, would you still choose to attend Kansas State University?		
	Percent	Count
Definitely No	0.6%	2
Probably No	1.7%	6
Uncertain	3.2%	11
Probably Yes	19.0%	66
Definitely Yes	75.5%	262
Total	100.0%	347

Would you recommend Kansas State University to a potential student?		
	Percent	Count
Definitely No	0.6%	2
Probably No	1.4%	5
Probably Yes	16.5%	57
Definitely Yes	81.5%	282
Total	100.0%	346

How much has your overall quality of life been enhanced by your Kansas State University undergraduate experience?		
	Percent	Count
None	1.7%	6
Little	6.4%	22
Somewhat	25.2%	87
Very Much	66.7%	230
Total	100.0%	345

With a year to reflect, how much did your Kansas State University college experience contribute to your growth in each of the following areas?					
	None	Little	Somewhat	Very Much	Count
Increasing knowledge and understanding in an academic field	1.7%	3.7%	25.1%	69.4%	350
Gaining knowledge, technical skills and/or competence required for a job/career	2.3%	9.5%	32.4%	55.9%	349
Increasing intellectual curiosity	1.4%	5.7%	32.1%	60.7%	349
Becoming more aware of world issues and pressing social, political, and economic problems	3.4%	23.2%	41.0%	32.4%	349
Organizing time effectively	3.2%	13.8%	41.0%	42.1%	349
Becoming independent, self-reliant, and responsible	2.3%	10.3%	32.8%	54.6%	348
Identifying a sense of values and priorities in life	5.2%	11.5%	34.4%	49.0%	349
Handling personal/family finances and consumer issues	8.3%	24.9%	39.3%	27.5%	349
Increasing a commitment to public service	14.1%	32.5%	36.2%	17.2%	348
Developing satisfying leisure time activities	9.8%	23.6%	37.2%	29.4%	347
Developing lasting friendships and personal ties	4.3%	13.8%	25.8%	56.2%	349

In your undergraduate experience, how often have you had discussions with people from the following groups?					
	Never	Sometimes	Often	Very Often	Count
People with political opinions different from your own	6.0%	40.4%	35.2%	18.3%	349
People with religious beliefs other than your own	5.7%	42.7%	35.2%	16.3%	349
People from economic situations other than your own	3.7%	30.7%	43.8%	21.8%	349
People of races or ethnicities other than your own	4.0%	36.9%	33.1%	25.9%	347

How often did your courses include diverse perspectives (political views, religious beliefs, racial/ethnic backgrounds, gender identities, etc.) in activities, assignments, and discussions?		
	Percent	Count
Never	7.2%	25
Sometimes	50.1%	175
Often	27.2%	95
Very Often	15.5%	54
Total	100.0%	349

After having a year to reflect, how satisfied are you with the following features of advising provided to you at Kansas State University?

	Very Dissatisfied	Dissatisfied	Neutral	Satisfied	Very Satisfied	Count
Access to academic advising	2.6%	7.3%	23.3%	41.6%	25.3%	344
Assistance in course selection/developing a program of study	2.3%	10.5%	23.5%	40.4%	23.3%	344
Information provided about career/graduate school opportunities	5.5%	13.4%	26.8%	34.7%	19.5%	343

Did poor advising require you to enroll for an additional semester (or longer) at Kansas State University?

	Percent	Count
Yes	11.1%	38
No	88.9%	304
Total	100.0%	342

Upon completion of your Bachelor's degree, what was the total amount of student loan debt (Stafford, etc.) you had accumulated?

	Percent	Count
None	33.6%	115
Less than \$10,000	10.8%	37
\$10,000 to \$19,999	13.7%	47
\$20,000 to \$29,999	17.0%	58
\$30,000 to \$39,999	12.6%	43
\$40,000 or more	12.3%	42
Total	100.0%	342

Looking back on your college experience, do you believe K-State should have placed less, the same, or more emphasis on the following undergraduate learning outcomes:

	Less	The Same	More	Count
Gaining a broad general education about different fields of knowledge	15.0%	64.2%	20.8%	341
Improving written communication skills	2.3%	67.8%	29.8%	342
Improving oral communication skills	1.2%	62.2%	36.7%	341
Improving graphic and technological communication skills	2.6%	60.5%	36.8%	342
Improving ability to think critically (analytically and logically)	0.0%	63.5%	36.5%	342
Developing your own values and ethical standards	4.1%	75.7%	20.2%	342
Understanding the ethical standards of your discipline or profession	2.6%	76.9%	20.5%	342
Ability to interact positively with people who are different from you	1.8%	70.5%	27.8%	342
Understanding your abilities, interests, and personality	1.8%	65.7%	32.6%	341
Understanding other people and their abilities, interests, and perspectives	2.6%	66.5%	30.9%	340
Ability to participate as a team member	7.0%	73.1%	19.9%	342
Developing good health habits and physical fitness	2.9%	49.4%	47.7%	342

Looking back on your college experience, do you believe K-State should have placed less, the same, or more emphasis on the following K-State 8 (general education) areas:

	Less	The Same	More	Count
Developing interpretive skills	17.3%	67.0%	15.8%	336
Developing academic research skills	5.7%	59.2%	35.1%	336
Making ethical and thoughtful decisions	2.4%	71.9%	25.7%	334
Exploring alternative perspectives from around the world	6.9%	62.6%	30.5%	334
Understanding the past and thoughtfully considering the future	4.2%	66.0%	29.9%	335
An Awareness of multiple perspectives about U.S. society	4.8%	66.6%	28.7%	335
Ability to evaluate scientific claims	4.5%	65.7%	29.9%	335
Understand how individuals & groups influence the environment	6.3%	63.5%	30.2%	334

In your undergraduate education, were you involved in a research or creative endeavor in or outside of coursework?

	Percent	Count
Yes	56.3%	191
No	43.7%	148
Total	100.0%	339

Did your undergraduate research/creative endeavor experience contribute to career choices?

	Percent	Count
No	31.9%	60
Somewhat	39.9%	75
Definitely	28.2%	53
Total	100.0%	188

How would you rate the contribution of your mentor to the success of your undergraduate research/creative endeavor?

	Percent	Count
Inadequate	3.2%	6
Fair	10.7%	20
Good	26.2%	49
Excellent	35.8%	67
Did not have a mentor	24.1%	45
Total	100.0%	187

How many semesters were you involved in undergraduate research/creative endeavor projects?

	Percent	Count
1-2	51.1%	96
3-4	25.0%	47
5-6	16.5%	31
7-8	4.8%	9
9 or more	2.7%	5
Total	100.0%	188

To what extent do you feel the undergraduate research/creative endeavor experience contributed to your undergraduate academic success?

	Percent	Count
None	9.0%	17
Little	17.0%	32
Somewhat	46.3%	87
Very Much	27.7%	52
Total	100.0%	188

Indicate the contribution of the undergraduate research/creative endeavor experience to success in your current profession:

	Percent	Count
None	16.0%	30
Little	21.4%	40
Somewhat	40.6%	76
Very Much	21.9%	41
Total	100.0%	187

What types of dissemination of your undergraduate research/creative endeavor did you successfully achieve? (select all that apply)

	Percent	Count
University research seminar presentation/poster	22.8%	42
Enrolled in graduate or professional school	71.2%	131
Poster at a conference beyond campus	15.2%	28
Oral presentation at a conference beyond campus	16.3%	30
Public performance/exhibition on campus	25.5%	47
Public performance/exhibition beyond campus	15.2%	28
Peer reviewed publication	19.6%	36
Other	21.2%	39

Please select one statement that best describes your current activities.		
	Percent	Count
Not engaged in paid employment	4.2%	14
Enrolled in graduate or professional school	17.3%	58
Both employed and continuing education	12.2%	41
Employed 35+ hours per week	62.7%	210
Self-employed	3.6%	12
Total	100.0%	335

What degree are you currently pursuing?		
	Percent	Count
M.A./M.S.	51.5%	50
M.B.A.	14.4%	14
M.D.	1.0%	1
Ph.D.	6.2%	6
Ed.D.	0.0%	0
D.V.M.	4.1%	4
Other	22.7%	22
Total	100.0%	97

What sources of financial assistance have supported your graduate study? (select all that apply)		
	Percent	Count
Departmental graduate assistance	39.6%	38
Institutional fellowship/scholarship	20.8%	20
Non-institutional fellowship/scholarship	11.5%	11
Full-time employment	35.4%	34
Part-time employment	21.9%	21
Loan(s)	33.3%	32
Other	14.6%	14

How would you rate the quality of your Kansas State University undergraduate preparation for graduate or professional education?		
	Percent	Count
Inadequate	2.0%	2
Fair	17.3%	17
Good	43.9%	43
Excellent	36.7%	36
Total	100.0%	98

Is this your first job after graduation?		
	Percent	Count
Yes	66.9%	174
No	33.1%	86
Total	100.0%	260

Did your minor or secondary major give you an advantage when applying for a job?		
	Percent	Count
Yes	54.9%	73
No	45.1%	60
Did not graduate with a minor or secondary major	0.0%	0
Total	100.0%	133

Does your job require: (mark all that apply)		
	Percent	Count
Technology skills	88.0%	227
Conducting research	38.8%	100
Extensive training	43.4%	112
Math skills	64.3%	166
Problem solving/analytic reasoning	93.8%	242
Speaking to a group	73.3%	189
Use of specialized machinery	23.3%	60
Use of specialized software	70.5%	182
Working with a diverse group of people	88.0%	227
Writing reports, memos, papers, publications, etc.	59.3%	153

How did you learn of this job?		
	Percent	Count
Job lead from professor or advisor	12.4%	32
Job lead from relative or friend	26.3%	68
Job lead from college internship	11.2%	29
Government employment listing	5.8%	15
Employment agency	1.9%	5
Job listing on the internet	26.6%	69
Newspaper	3.5%	9
Worked Previously for employer	12.4%	32
Applied for job without knowledge of opening	5.0%	13
K-State's Career and Employment Services	13.1%	34
Other	13.5%	35

When did you initiate your job search for a career position?		
	Percent	Count
More than one year prior to graduation	26.1%	67
Nine months to one year prior to graduation	11.7%	30
Six to eight months prior to graduation	17.9%	46
Three to five months prior to graduation	19.1%	49
One to two months prior to graduation	9.7%	25
At graduation time	5.1%	13
One month after graduation	2.3%	6
More than one month after graduation	8.2%	21
Total	100.0%	257

How difficult was it for you to find employment?		
	Percent	Count
Very Difficult	9.3%	24
Fairly Difficult	28.4%	73
Fairly Easy	36.2%	93
Very Easy	26.1%	67
Total	100.0%	257

How long did it take you to obtain your current full-time job after graduation?		
	Percent	Count
Had a job at graduation	49.2%	127
Less than 1 month	11.2%	29
1 to 3 months	15.5%	40
4 to 6 months	9.3%	24
7 months or more	14.7%	38
Total	100.0%	258

Approximately how many job interviews did you have before accepting your current position?		
	Percent	Count
0-1	30.5%	79
2-5	50.6%	131
6-9	13.9%	36
10-14	2.7%	7
15-19	1.9%	5
20+	0.4%	1
Total	100.0%	259

How closely is your job related to your undergraduate field of study?		
	Percent	Count
Not related	15.6%	40
Somewhat related	23.7%	61
Directly related	60.7%	156
Total	100.0%	257

How well do you feel that Kansas State University prepared you for your present job?

	Percent	Count
Inadequately	5.0%	13
Fairly Well	32.6%	84
Well	35.7%	92
Excellently	26.7%	69
Total	100.0%	258

Compared to new employees from other colleges/universities, do you feel that your Kansas State University academic preparation gave you an:

	Percent	Count
Advantage	72.7%	186
Disadvantage	0.8%	2
Neither	26.6%	68
Total	100.0%	256

What is your current annual salary, before taxes?

	Percent	Count
Less than \$20,000	8.7%	22
\$20,000 to \$29,999	13.1%	33
\$30,000 to \$39,999	28.2%	71
\$40,000 to \$49,999	15.5%	39
\$50,000 to \$59,999	18.7%	47
\$60,000 to \$69,999	7.5%	19
\$70,000 to \$79,999	4.0%	10
\$80,000 to \$89,999	2.0%	5
\$90,000 to \$99,999	2.0%	5
\$100,000 or more	0.4%	1
Total	100.0%	252

Which statement best describes your current position?

	Percent	Count
Employment with definite long-term potential	48.8%	126
Employment with possible long-term potential	34.9%	90
Employment primarily to earn money	6.2%	16
Temporary employment while I look for something more suitable	7.8%	20
Temporary position that will last only for a limited time	2.3%	6
Total	100.0%	258

Indicate your satisfaction with the following aspects of your present position:

	Very Dissatisfied	Dissatisfied	Neutral	Satisfied	Very Satisfied	Count
Salary/benefits	5.0%	11.2%	17.4%	44.2%	22.1%	258
Location	2.3%	10.5%	16.3%	32.6%	38.4%	258
Opportunity to use your qualifications	4.3%	5.4%	16.0%	42.8%	31.5%	257
Opportunity to advance	5.4%	11.6%	22.9%	36.0%	24.0%	258
Prestige/recognition	5.0%	10.5%	32.6%	32.9%	19.0%	258
Interest/challenge of work	3.5%	8.6%	15.6%	42.0%	30.4%	257
Working conditions	3.1%	5.0%	13.6%	43.8%	34.5%	258
Opportunity to learn	3.9%	2.7%	14.0%	38.8%	40.7%	258

Is your position challenging?

	Percent	Count
Yes	80.9%	208
No	19.1%	49
Total	100.0%	257

Is a Bachelor's degree required for your current position?

	Percent	Count
Yes	64.3%	166
No, but helpful	26.0%	67
No, irrelevant	9.7%	25
Total	100.0%	258

Indicate the primary reason you are not employed.		
	Percent	Count
Chose not to be employed	0.0%	0
Laid off by employer	7.1%	1
Quit a job to seek other employment	7.1%	1
Confined job search to a specific city or region	21.4%	3
Job search limited to the same region as someone else	7.1%	1
Unable to find a satisfactory job since graduation	21.4%	3
Having/Expecting a child changed employment plans	0.0%	0
Other	35.7%	5
Total	100.0%	14

Have you sought job placement assistance from Kansas State University's Office of Career and Employment Services?		
	Percent	Count
Yes, it has been helpful	7.1%	1
Yes, but it has not been helpful	21.4%	3
No, I didn't register with the office	64.3%	9
No, I registered with the office, but didn't seek further assistance	7.1%	1
Total	100.0%	14

Do you plan to seek paid employment?		
	Percent	Count
Yes, within 12 months	85.7%	12
Yes, in 1 to 5 years	7.1%	1
Yes, in more than 5 years	0.0%	0
No	7.1%	1
Total	100.0%	14

How would you describe your current status of not being employed?		
	Percent	Count
Serious Problem	35.7%	5
Minor Problem	42.9%	6
No Problem, My Choice	21.4%	3
Total	100.0%	14

In the past 12 months, how often have you participated in the following activities?

	None	1-2 times	3-5 times	6-10 times	10+ times	2-3 times a week	Daily	Count
Attended plays/dramas	61.9%	28.3%	6.4%	2.7%	0.5%	0.3%	0.0%	375
Attended concerts/recitals	43.3%	32.7%	15.8%	4.5%	3.7%	0.0%	0.0%	379
Attended athletic events	18.9%	18.4%	17.4%	14.2%	25.0%	5.5%	0.5%	380
Visited museums, galleries, zoos, libraries	23.9%	33.1%	25.2%	9.7%	6.3%	1.6%	0.3%	381
Attended lectures	52.1%	20.4%	9.3%	4.8%	4.0%	5.3%	4.2%	378
Performed: music, drama, art	81.8%	7.5%	4.6%	1.1%	2.4%	1.9%	0.8%	373
Traveled to new places	13.5%	26.8%	33.2%	14.6%	10.1%	1.3%	0.5%	377
Gone to the movies	15.7%	23.4%	25.8%	18.4%	16.2%	0.3%	0.3%	376

Have you been a member of a volunteer group devoted to serving members of the community (e.g. scouts, League of Women Voters, hospice, 4-H, religious organizations, hospital volunteer, volunteer coach)?

	Percent	Count
No	58.2%	221
Yes	41.8%	159
Total	100.0%	380

To what degree did your undergraduate experiences contribute to your interest and motivation to become involved in community activities?

	Percent	Count
Not at all	20.7%	79
Yes	47.9%	183
Quite a bit	23.6%	90
Very Much	7.9%	30
Total	100.0%	382

Have you been a member of a community service group (e.g., Kiwanis, Chamber of Commerce, Optimist Club)?

	Percent	Count
No	89.4%	339
Yes	10.6%	40
Total	100.0%	379