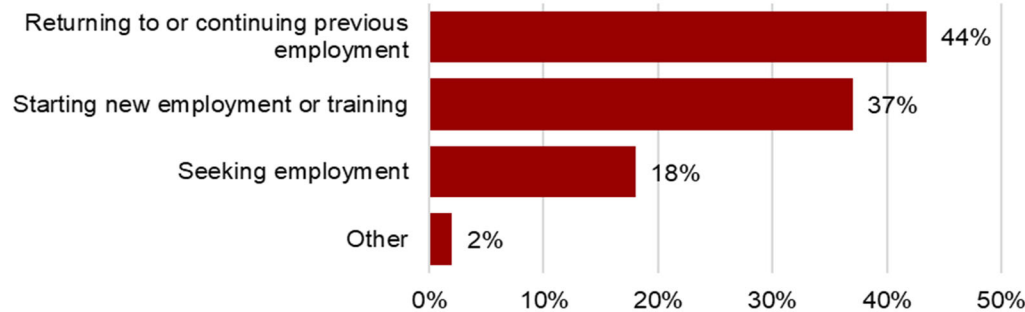


December 2023 Graduate Future Plans Survey – Fast Facts Doctoral Degree Recipients

Primary Plans after Graduation (N=115)



Professional Development

- Most frequently used career related resources at NC State:
 - ◊ Presentations on job search and career topics (38%)
 - ◊ Career fair (23%)
 - ◊ Professional development programs offered by the Graduate School (19%)
- 49% of graduates presented three or more papers/posters/creative works at conferences
- 38% published three or more articles/creative works in peer-reviewed journals

The Job Search (n=86)

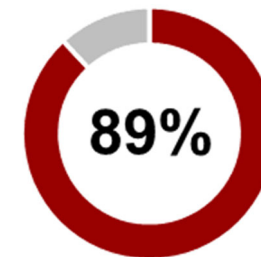
- Of graduates starting new full-time employment:
 - ◊ 61% interviewed for 3 or more jobs
 - ◊ 49% received more than one job offer
 - ◊ 26% received a signing bonus and/or company shares with their offer

Employment Characteristics

- Annual starting salary: \$97,744 (mean), \$90,000 (median)
- 32% of those continuing in or returning to employment they had before starting graduation received a salary increase and/or a promotion or job title change
- 30% are working in the Triangle area (Raleigh, Durham, Chapel Hill)
- 28% are in a postdoctoral position
- Job Sector:
 - ◊ For-profit/industry: 28%
 - ◊ 4-year college or university, including medical school: 34%
 - ◊ University-affiliated research institute: 12%
 - ◊ Other education institution: 8%
 - ◊ Government: 13%
 - ◊ Non-profit: 5%
- Employers hiring the most graduates:



Overall Satisfaction and Preparation for Future



are “very satisfied” (47%) or “satisfied” (42%) with their graduate program



are “very prepared” (53%) or “somewhat prepared” (43%) for their future careers

About the Data

- All data are from the December 2023 Graduate Future Plans Survey (GFPS) of doctoral degree recipients
- Out of 179 doctoral graduates invited to take the survey, 115 completed the GFPS for a response rate of 64.2%
- Additional reports on the survey methods and results are on the ISA website: go.ncsu.edu/fps.reports