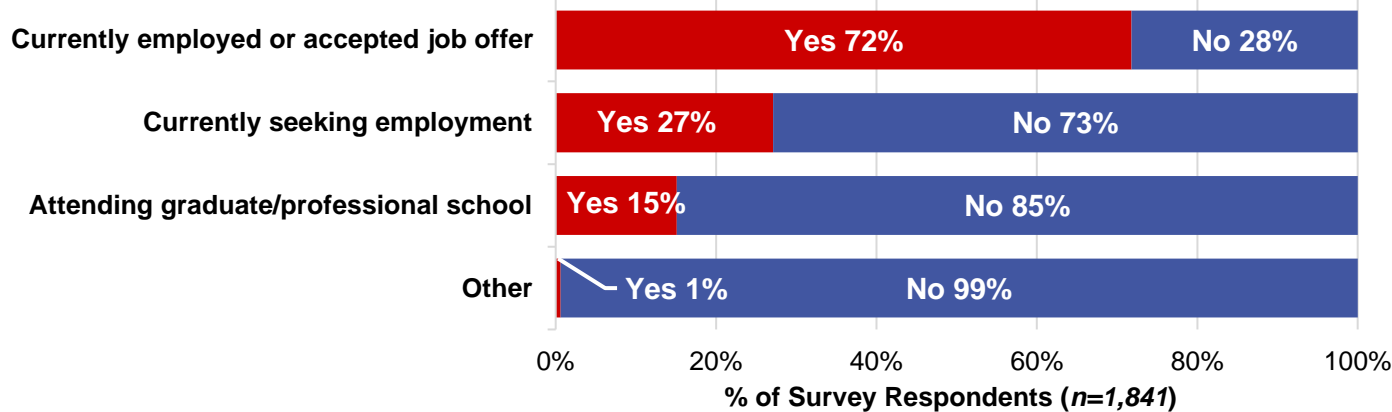


## Combined Future Plans Surveys and Survey of Recent Graduates Academic Year 2020-2021 Master's Degree Recipients Fast Facts

### Primary Plans after Graduation

(respondents could select multiple options)



### About the AY20-21 GFPS/GSRG Data

- These data show the combined results of the semiannual Graduate Future Plans Survey (GFPS) and the Survey of Recent Graduates (GSRG) for master's degree recipients of NC State.
- 65.9% (1,841 of 2,795) of master's degree recipients completed the GFPS/GSRG.
- Additional reports and interactive dashboards with results are available on the [ISA website](#).

### Employment

Graduates starting full-time employment:

- 71% interviewed for three or more jobs
- Over half received more than one job offer
- 1/3<sup>rd</sup> received a signing bonus (median value ~\$12,500)
- 1/4<sup>th</sup> received company shares (median value ~\$45,000)

All graduates employed full-time:

- Mean salary: \$85,388
- Median salary: \$82,500
- 82% said their job is "directly related" to their graduate program
- 88% said they are "very satisfied" (50%) or "satisfied" (38%) with their job

Top Three Employers:



### Further Education

70% of graduates who plan on attending further graduate or professional school have been accepted and know where they are attending and/or are already enrolled and pursuing the degree.

Graduates who know where they will be attending or are already enrolled:

- 78% are/will be attending grad/prof school in North Carolina
- 70% are/will be pursuing another degree at NC State
- Nine in ten are attending their first-choice school

Degrees pursuing:

- Additional master's degree (85%)
- Doctoral degree (e.g., PhD, EdD) (10%)
- Professional degree (e.g., MD, JD) (5%)

### The Graduate Experience

Research experience:

- 10% presented original research/creative works at a professional conference
- 6% had at least one publication in a peer-reviewed journal
- 13% participated in other independent research activities, either with faculty or peers

Overall experience:

- Over 9 in 10 said their overall graduate experience was "excellent" (54%) or "good" (38%)
- 9 in 10 were "very satisfied" (50%) or "satisfied" (40%) with their graduate program
- 96% felt "very prepared" (57%) or "prepared" (39%) for their future path
- 97% were "very excited" (70%) or "fairly excited" (27%) about what they will be doing