

**Virginia Tech Post-Graduation Report | First destination after undergraduate degree**  
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 Selected data for thirteen years

Graduates of academic year →	15-16	14-15	13-14	12-13	11-12	10-11	09-10	08-09	07-08	06-07	05-06	04-05	03-04
• Response rate of grads to Post-Grad survey	62	58	60	60	57	57	63	69	69	73.7	59	56	56
• Taking time off after graduation (>1 month)	54	53	48	48	46	46	48	48	52	52	40	41	40
<b>Continuing education + employed →</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>83</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>82</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>84</b>	<b>81</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>70</b>
• Still seeking / considering options at last response	24	25	17	22	20	21	23	25	14	14	17	17	22
<b>Respondents continuing education →</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>22</b>
% breakdown of those continuing education ↓													
• Another bachelor's degree	6	5	5	6	5	6	6	6	7	6	2	3	2
• Master's degree	65	65	61	59	62	61	61	63	61	59	65	63	68
• Law	4	5	4	6	5	6	7	7	6	8	6	7	5
• M.D., Pharm.D., D.C., D.O., other medical doctor	10	12	13	13	14	14	14	11	13	13	11	8	5
• D.V.M.	4	3	5	5	4	3	3	3	3	2	3	2	4
• Ph.D., Psy.D.	8	7	10	7	7	6	6	7	7	10	10	11	9
• Other, including associate's degree	2	3	2	2	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	5	6
<b>Respondents employed →</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>48</b>
• Service work (included in employed total)	1	1	2	1	2	2	2	2	2	1	1	1	1
• Self-employed (included in employed total)	1	1	2	1	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
• Salary median \$; ½ higher, ½ lower (not average)	58K	58K	53K	50K	50K	48.5K	47K	47K	48K	45K	45K	41K	39K
• Signing bonus included with job offer=yes	36	39	28	27	24	22	22	24	31	28	29	22	19
• Bonus median \$	5K	5K	5K	4K	5K	4K	4K	3.5K	3K	3K	2.5K	2K	2K
• Employment related to career goals?													
Very	77	78	74	72	70	70	69	69	73	72	72	71	68
Somewhat	23	22	26	28	30	30	31	31	27	28	25	26	28
Not	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	4
• Employment related to major?													
Very	67	69	66	63	62	62	58	58	64	64	66	65	63
Somewhat	25	24	26	28	27	26	28	30	27	26	26	26	27
Not	8	6	9	9	11	12	14	12	9	10	8	9	10
• Number of job offers:													
1	43	46	45	48	49	50	51	50	39	35	36	37	36
2	31	28	29	28	28	26	29	27	29	29	29	31	32
3	16	16	16	16	14	15	13	15	18	21	21	19	19
4	5	5	5	4	5	5	4	4	7	8	7	8	6
5 or >	5	5	4	4	4	4	2	4	7	7	8	6	6
<b>Source of accepted job; first contact w/employer</b>													
• Worked for employer prior (sum., internship, vol., etc.)	30	26	27	26	24	25	25	29	23	22	20	17	18
• Networking total	19	18	23	23	22	26	26	22	22	24	21	24	23
• Networking family/friend	9	7	11	11	12	14	13	14	12	14	13	15	14
• Networking VT F/S, alumnus/a, clubs, former employer	10	11	12	12	10	12	13	8	10	10	8	9	9
• Career fair	25	26	18	21	17	15	14	18	21	18	22	16	15
• VT Hokies4Hire / On-Campus Interviewing Progr.	8	12	9	9	13	10	10	9	11	11	14	17	16
• Job-seeker website	5	4	7	7	7	7	7	6	7	9	8	9	9
• Employer's website	6	5	7	6	6	9	8	7	7	6	5	6	6
• Academic dept email, other notice or post	2	2	2	2	3	2	2	2	2	2	2	4	2
• Print publication	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	1	1	2	3
• Other	5	6	6	6	6	6	8	7	6	7	6	6	8
<b>All respondents: career-related experience=yes</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>91</b>	<b>91</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>91</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>88</b>	<b>88</b>	<b>88</b>
• Summer job (✓ all that apply)	47	48	50	52	53	55	56	57	56	55	55	55	57
• Paid internship	54	52	51	50	48	48	48	51	51	48	45	42	38
• Part-time job	44	44	44	43	44	44	45	45	43	40	41	42	45
• Volunteer work	41	43	44	43	44	43	41	40	36	34	35	33	35
• Undergraduate research	26	26	25	24	24	22	21	18	19	18	18	19	18
• Unpaid internship	22	22	23	25	23	22	21	18	16	14	16	17	17
• Field study	14	13	13	12	13	11	12	11	11	10	12	12	14
• Co-op	7	6	6	6	4	5	7	6	7	7	9	9	10
• Other	4	4	3	5	4	5	4	5	5	5	5	5	6
<b>Wished they had done something differently=yes</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>57</b>
Percentages of total respondents ↓													
• More experience related to major or career goals	32	33	32	35	33	33	33	32	28	30	26	28	34
• Learned more (&/or earlier) about career options	29	27	28	30	28	28	27	27	25	24	22	23	27

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