

Results of the graduate analysis 2006 of the Faculty for Forest and Environmental Sciences, University of Freiburg

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Motivation of the Study

- Changing Job Market
 - => Adapting curricula to the necessity of the labor market
- Bologna-process and study reforms
 - => Changing of the grades and curricula
- Marketing reasons (contacts to Alumni, etc.)
- > Evaluation of the curriculum
 - => employability of the graduates?



Aims of the 2006 Graduate Analysis

To gain information about graduates concerning:

- Course of Study
- > Job Search and Transition to Employment
- Current Occupation and Situation in the Job
- Studies and Occupation
- > Further Education
- > Information about the Graduate



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Framework of the Study

- Design of the study with participation of all German speaking Forestry Faculties
- ⇒ Execution of the planned Graduate Survey with participation of
 - Forestry Faculty, University of Freiburg
 - Forestry Faculty, Technical University of Munich
 - (- Forestry Faculty, University of Tharandt)

Basics:

- Identical questionnaire
- Identical target group: Graduates of the years 1995 up to 2002
- Identical execution time (December 2005, reminder in April 2006)



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Research Instrument

Composition of the Questionnaire:

Course of Study

➤ Job Search and Transition to Employment

> Current occupation and Situation in the Job

Studies and Occupation

> Further education

Information about the graduate

In questionnaire:

-> Chapter 1

-> Chapter 2

-> Chapter 3

-> Chapter 4

-> Chapter 5

-> Chapter 6



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Results from Freiburg

-Effective sample:

N=615 graduates (diploma in Freiburg between 1995 and 2002)

- Response Rate: 289 questionnaires

= 47 %

- Description of the answering collective:

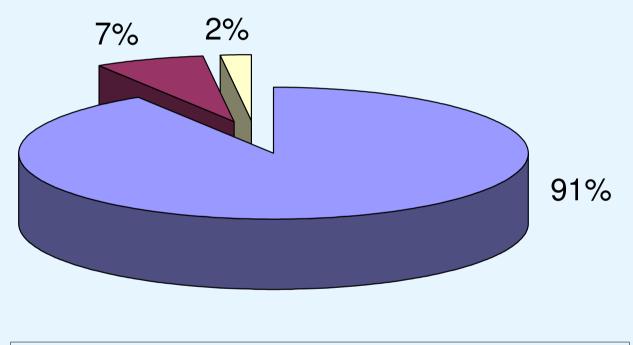
28% female, 72% male

M_{Age}=35, MIN_{Age}=28 MAX_{Age}=48 during questioning

M_{Age}=29, MIN_{Age}=24 MAX_{Age}=37 at graduation



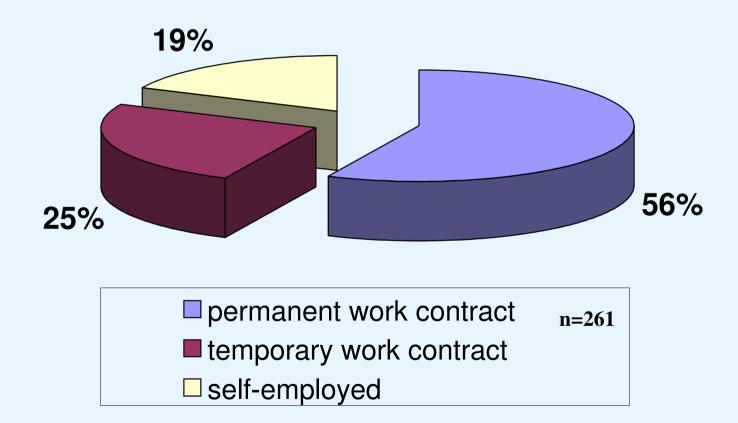
Current occupational situation



employed
 not at the moment employed
 never been employed

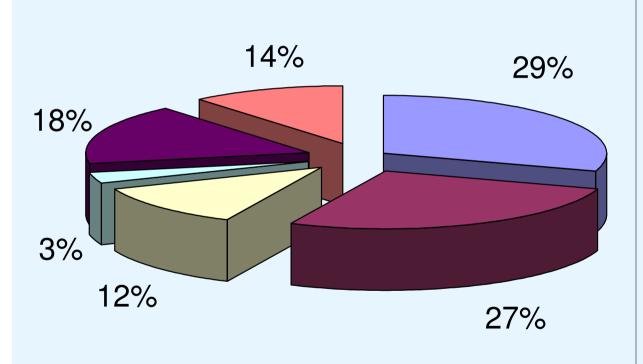


Kind of current occupation





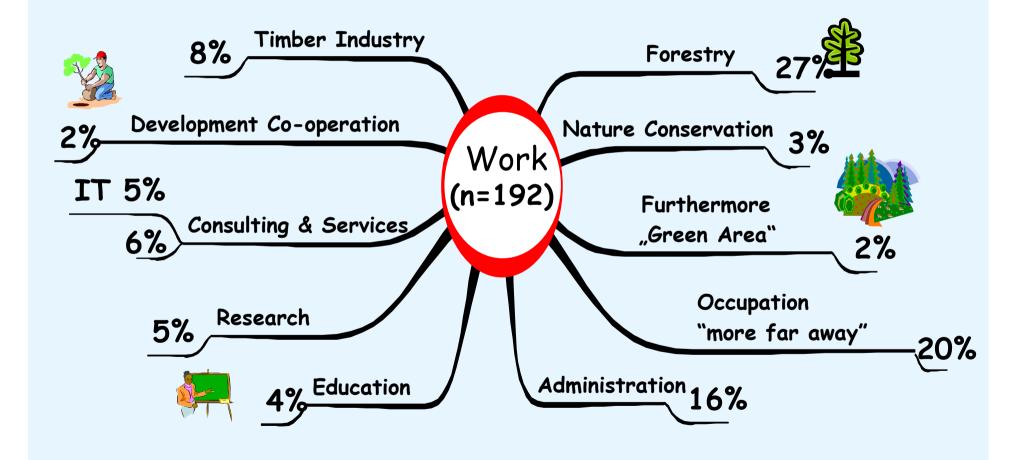
Position of current occupation



- executive employee/ research assistant (with managerial capacity)
- Research assistant (no managerial capacity) /skilled employee
- senior civil servant
- ☐ higher civil servant
- self-employed
- \blacksquare misc. $_{n=259}$

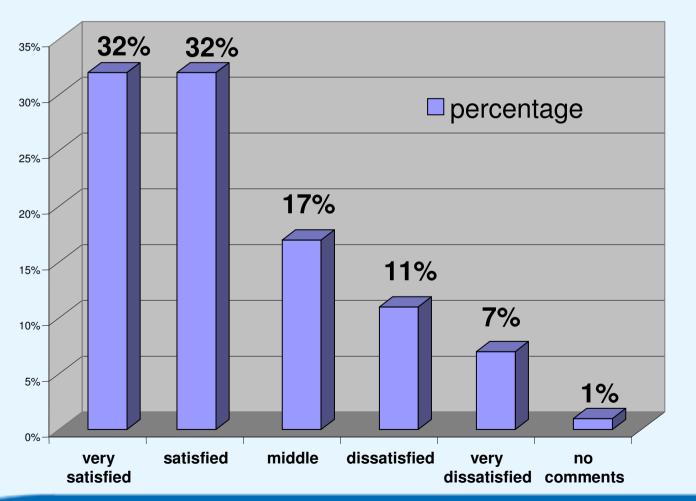


Fields of current occupation





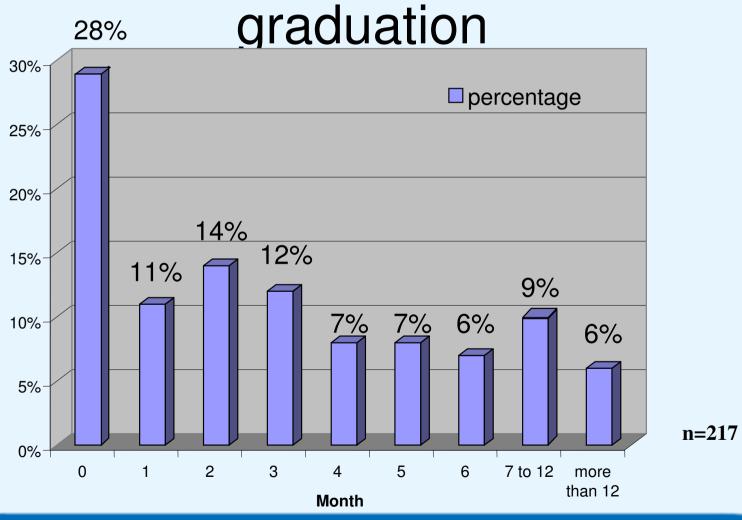
Satisfaction with current occupation



n = 289



Active search for occupation after





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Major Findings and Conclusion

- Current Occupation Situation
- Search for Occupation and Ways of Application
 - ➤ Conclusion: many of the graduates from the forest sciences curriculum in Freiburg found an occupation in quite a short time after graduation, had an occupation a the time of the survey and some already had leading positions.



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