

**Table 388.—Employment status of 1992–93 bachelor’s degree recipients 4 years after graduation, by field of study and occupational area: 1997**  
[Percentage distribution]

Status in April 1997	All fields of study	Professional/technical fields					Arts and sciences						Other fields
		Business and management	Education	Engineering	Health professions	Public affairs and social services	Biological sciences	Mathematics, computer, and physical sciences	Social sciences	History	Humanities	Psychology	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
<b>Total 1992–93 graduates</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>
<b>Time between high school graduation and degree completion<sup>1</sup></b>													
4 years or less	31.1	27.5	28.0	21.4	18.0	24.3	47.7	35.0	45.1	43.2	34.3	36.6	29.9
More than 4, up to 5 years	27.6	27.2	30.9	35.2	26.2	28.3	22.7	22.8	24.7	19.3	26.0	26.5	30.3
More than 5, up to 6 years	11.2	9.4	10.5	16.2	12.7	11.9	11.7	10.1	10.1	16.8	11.0	7.2	13.3
More than 6, up to 10 years	12.7	13.3	12.1	13.4	15.1	14.5	6.8	16.1	12.7	6.5	14.1	9.8	11.7
More than 10 years	17.4	22.6	18.5	13.8	28.1	21.0	11.1	15.9	7.4	14.3	14.6	20.0	14.7
<b>Enrollment status in April 1997</b>													
Enrolled full-time	8.5	3.7	5.5	6.6	7.6	4.1	33.9	12.6	10.9	13.8	10.5	18.8	6.3
Enrolled part-time	9.2	5.7	16.9	11.1	6.5	9.0	8.2	8.3	11.9	9.2	8.3	7.7	8.1
Not enrolled	82.4	90.7	77.7	82.3	86.0	86.9	58.0	79.2	77.3	77.1	81.2	73.4	85.8
<b>Employment status</b>													
Employed	89.3	93.2	91.1	94.1	89.1	92.8	67.3	87.6	87.7	84.6	85.3	82.1	91.7
Full time	81.0	89.2	80.8	91.1	76.6	83.8	56.8	80.4	79.3	76.7	71.0	71.5	82.7
Part time	8.3	4.0	10.3	2.9	12.5	9.0	10.5	7.2	8.4	8.0	14.3	10.7	9.0
Unemployed <sup>2</sup>	2.7	2.1	2.1	1.2	2.6	2.0	5.2	2.4	3.5	2.9	4.0	4.4	2.3
Not in labor force <sup>3</sup>	8.1	4.6	6.8	4.8	8.4	5.3	27.5	10.0	8.8	12.5	10.7	13.5	6.0
<b>Unemployment experiences since graduation</b>													
Experienced any unemployment	39.8	36.2	46.8	39.2	27.9	35.8	39.4	36.3	43.7	44.3	43.6	39.2	43.1
Average total number of months unemployed	7.3	7.1	6.9	7.5	6.6	6.8	8.6	8.4	7.5	7.5	7.9	9.2	6.8
April 1997 unemployment rate <sup>4</sup>	2.9	2.2	2.3	1.2	2.8	2.1	7.2	2.7	3.8	3.3	4.4	5.1	2.5
<b>Total employed</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>
<b>Occupation</b>													
Business management	20.9	39.2	6.6	5.7	16.6	11.5	11.4	11.4	26.5	16.7	16.5	18.1	20.1
Educator	16.2	2.6	64.6	1.5	3.2	4.8	17.5	16.4	9.4	35.3	17.0	14.2	12.2
Engineering	5.1	1.7	0.5	49.9	4.1	(5)	2.6	6.4	1.1	0.5	1.7	0.4	2.2
Health professions	7.8	1.6	3.3	0.1	62.6	5.5	15.0	3.8	2.9	4.0	3.3	8.0	3.9
Other profession <sup>6</sup>	11.1	4.3	5.5	9.1	2.5	25.3	14.4	10.0	15.1	7.0	22.5	26.4	18.0
Computer science/programming	5.0	5.3	0.6	11.2	1.4	1.0	3.3	25.2	2.5	2.9	5.4	2.5	3.0
Non-computer technician	0.8	0.3	0.2	1.1	1.1	0.3	6.0	1.9	0.3	2.0	0.3	(5)	1.4
Administrative/clerical/support	13.6	19.4	8.1	2.2	3.5	17.5	9.2	11.6	17.6	10.5	16.2	14.5	16.3
Mechanic operator/laborer	5.6	6.7	2.9	6.0	1.4	5.1	7.5	7.8	7.0	3.1	5.8	4.3	6.9
Sales	8.1	13.8	3.0	9.6	1.5	3.9	5.3	3.6	8.6	12.3	6.2	7.0	9.5
Service	2.9	2.9	2.7	1.5	0.7	3.7	3.0	0.6	4.2	3.0	3.8	2.0	4.2
Military/protective service	2.4	1.7	1.6	2.0	0.5	20.9	1.7	1.4	3.1	2.6	0.8	1.9	1.9
<b>Job characteristics in April 1997</b>													
Definite career potential	57.3	60.0	51.4	65.0	58.4	47.1	50.1	64.6	58.2	55.8	52.2	50.6	59.0
Job closely related to bachelor’s degree	56.0	57.6	67.7	61.2	85.0	59.6	49.0	65.6	31.2	34.6	41.0	46.3	50.1
<b>Annual salaries<sup>7</sup></b>													
Less than \$10,000	1.6	1.1	2.6	1.1	0.6	0.7	1.2	0.5	2.1	8.3	1.7	2.8	1.5
\$10,000 to \$14,999	3.7	1.9	5.4	0.7	1.4	3.5	7.6	3.8	5.1	4.3	6.4	4.2	4.2
\$15,000 to \$19,999	8.3	5.3	16.0	1.0	3.8	13.6	9.2	4.4	5.0	7.0	10.2	9.9	12.9
\$20,000 to \$24,999	14.2	11.9	26.6	1.8	5.1	17.3	19.0	11.5	14.5	17.6	17.4	19.1	12.7
\$25,000 to \$34,999	33.2	29.7	39.2	13.2	29.9	38.3	37.1	26.3	34.9	35.4	37.9	40.9	39.7
\$35,000 to \$49,999	25.8	32.8	6.3	54.9	36.5	20.2	20.7	35.4	23.3	22.6	19.3	19.2	18.0
\$50,000 to \$74,999	10.4	13.1	2.7	24.5	21.1	6.0	4.7	12.2	9.7	4.0	5.5	3.4	7.9
\$75,000 or more	3.0	4.3	1.1	2.9	1.6	0.3	0.5	6.0	5.4	1.0	1.6	0.4	3.1
Average annual salary <sup>8</sup>	\$34,252	\$37,454	\$26,513	\$44,524	\$39,421	\$30,563	\$29,331	\$38,418	\$35,536	\$28,147	\$30,179	\$28,197	\$32,208

NOTE: Detail may not sum to totals due to rounding.

SOURCE: U.S. Department of Education, National Center for Education Statistics, "Baccalaureate and Beyond Longitudinal Study, First and Second Follow-up" surveys. (This table was prepared April 2001.)

<sup>1</sup> Data from 1994 "First Follow-up" survey.

<sup>2</sup> Percent not working, but looking for work.

<sup>3</sup> Percent not working.

<sup>4</sup> Excluding those not in the labor force.

<sup>5</sup> Less than 0.05 percent.

<sup>6</sup> All other professional occupations excluding business, teaching, engineering, and health.

<sup>7</sup> Salaries for those employed full time in April 1997.

<sup>8</sup> Respondents reporting salaries less than \$1,000 were excluded, those reporting salaries greater than \$500,000 were reset to \$500,000.