

Qualification in Career Development Student Destination Figures 2020

Introduction

This report covers those full time and part-time QCD students who completed their qualification in 2020.

QCD Student Numbers since 2013

Completed	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Students	94	92	138	105	128	130	105	128

Summary of QCD Student Destinations 2020

Employed/Seeking Work

Compared to 2019 the number of students finding employment increased by 1% to 93%.

The number of students actively seeking work increased by 2% to 5% and the number of students not actively seeking work stayed the same at 2%.

Career Development Roles

Of the 128 students, 56 studied at either Edinburgh Napier University or the University of the West of Scotland and 41 found work with Skills Development Scotland (SDS). Some students having being employed by SDS whilst they undertook the qualification on a part-time basis.

One student found employment with the Careers Service in Northern Ireland.

The number of students finding work in secondary education increased from 13% to 25%. Those finding work in FE/6th Form Colleges decreased from 8% to 4%. The number of students finding work with local authorities remained the same at 2%.

Those finding work in HE institutions increased from 14% to 19%. One student who completed in 2020 found work with the National Careers Service.

The percentage finding employment in other voluntary sector guidance increased from 1% to 6%. Private sector guidance decreased from 2% to 1%. The number finding work abroad increased from 1% to 2%. 6% of students found work in the charities sector and social enterprises.

Non-Career Development Roles

8% of students completing in 2020 found work in a non-career guidance role, an increase of 7%

One student continued to further study in a career development subject and one in non-career related area.

Trends since 2013

	TOTAL 2020	% 2020	% 2019	% 2018	% 2017	% 2016	% 2015	% 2014	% 2013
Number of students in employment	119	93	92	90	95	90	91	90	90
Number of students actively seeking work	6	5	3	5	1	4	5	6	9
Number of students not actively seeking work	3	2	2	3	4	3	4	2	1
Unknown			3	2					

Destinations

Career Development posts in:	TOTAL 2020	% 2020	% 2019	% 2018	% 2017	% 2016	% 2015	% 2014	% 2013
Local Authority/ (England)	3	2	2		1				
Skills Development Scotland	26	20	39	31	40	31	33	13	15
Careers Wales			1			1			
Careers Service Northern Ireland	1	1							
Secondary Education	32	25	13	18	19	10	15	15	12
FE and/or Sixth Form Colleges	6	4	8	5	5	5	7	7	16
Higher Education	25	19	14	14	14	19	13	22	18

National Careers Service (England)	1	1		2		2	3	7	4
Other Adult Guidance			2	3	2	5	4	2	6
Other voluntary sector guidance	8	6	1	2	2	4	4	3	4
Private sector	1	1	2	7	2	2	3	3	3
International	2	2	1	3	2			3	3
Other (Please state)	8	6	5		1		1		
Non-Career Development posts in:									
Secondary Education	1	1						1	
FE and/or Sixth Form Colleges					2		1	1	
Higher Education	2	2		1	2	1	2	1	
Voluntary Sector	1	1		1		2	1	1	
Other Public Sector			1	2	1	3	2	4	2
Private Sector	1	1			4		1	2	1
Self-employed	1	1					1		
National Govt Overseas	1	1							
Return to Study									
Careers related	1	1	2	1	1	7	3	6	
Non Careers related	1	1	1	1	1	1		1	1
Seeking Employment	3	2	3	5	2	4	5	9	9
Not Seeking Employment	3	2	2	3	4	1	3	2	1
Unknown			3	2					
TOTAL	128	100							

Percentages have been rounded to the nearest figure.

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