



Vocational openings for USI graduates

2008 Survey

USI

Methodology used

- ➔ Survey carried out in April 2008 by USI's *Stage&Placement* office on class 2002 and class 2006-2007 graduates from the Economics, Communication Sciences, Architecture and Informatics faculties.
- ➔ 873 graduates contacted, 449 answers received (51.4%), of which 132 from class 2002 graduates (58.6%) and 317 from class 2006-2007 graduates (48.9%).

2008 survey: class 2006-2007 population and answers

FACULTY	ECO	COM	ARCH	INFO	TOT
Population	202	273	137	36	648
(% per faculty)	(31.2)	(42.3)	(21.1)	(5.6)	(100.0)
Answers	108	146	44	19	317
(% per faculty)	(34.1)	(46.1)	(13.9)	(5.9)	(100.0)
Response rate (%)	53.5	53.5	32.1	52.7	48.9

Qualification	BACH	FOUR-YEAR	MAST	DIPL	PhD	TOT
Population	263	56	171	137	21	648
(% per qualification)	40.6	8.6	26.4	21.1	3.3	100.0
Answers	149	23	86	44	15	317
(% per qualification)	47.0	7.2	27.2	13.9	4.7	100.0
Response rate (%)	56.6	41.1	50.3	32.1	71.4	48.9

2008 Survey: class 2002 population and answers

<i>FACULTY</i>	ECO	COM	ARCH	TOT
Population (% per faculty)	39 (17.3)	118 (52.5)	68 (30.2)	225 (100.0)
Answers (% per faculty)	22 (16.6)	73 (55.3)	37 (28.1)	132 (100.0)
Response rate (%)	56.4	61.8	54.4	58.6

The main results of the survey

- ➔ The percentage of students occupied is **95.3%** 1 year from graduation and rises to **97.8%** 5 years from graduation.
- ➔ The average time taken to find employment is **1.5** months
- ➔ Mobility increases as professional experience is gained: 1 year after graduation 66.7% of graduates work in Ticino while after 5 years this percentage drops to 56.9%.
- ➔ A growing number of alumni hold top positions: 5 years after graduation 1 graduate in 5 holds a managerial/executive position.

The employment situation 1 year after graduation

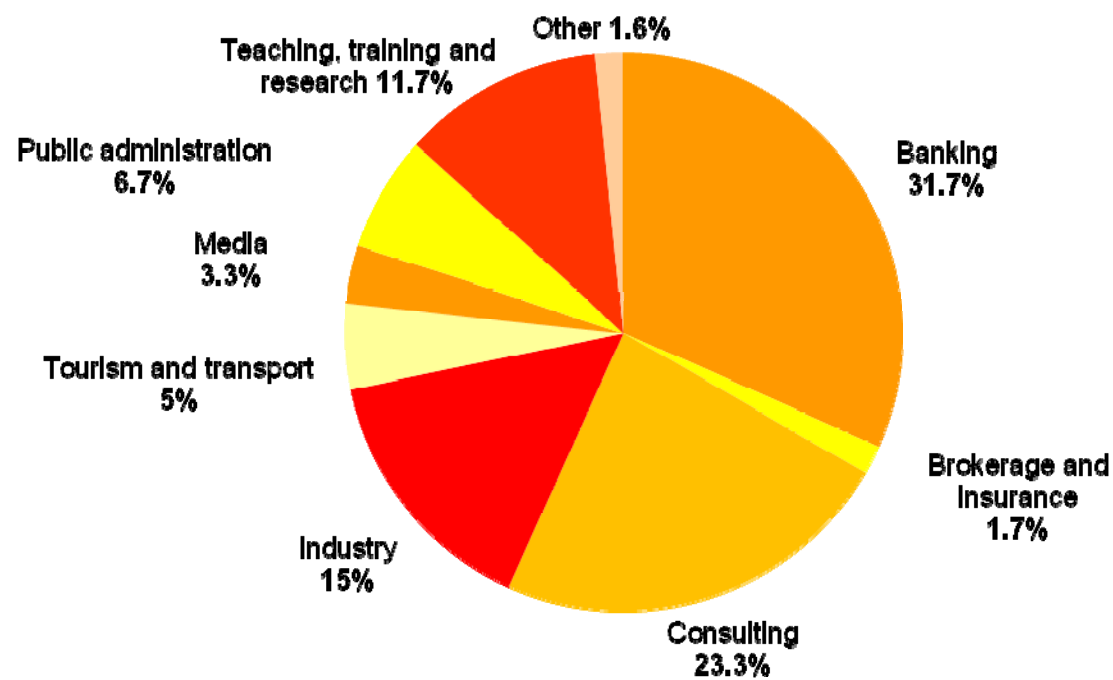
- ➔ 95.3% of graduates are employed: *of these 71.3% work, 21.5% study and 2.5% have made other choices.*
- ➔ 4.7% (15) graduates are job-hunting: *of these 46.3% hold a Bachelor's degree and 73.3% have already had work experience.*

The employment situation 5 years after graduation

- ⇒ 97.8% of graduates are employed: *of these 90.9 % work, 0.8 % study and 6.1 % have made other choices*
- ⇒ 2.3% (3) of graduates are job-hunting: *of these two are from Ticino and are looking mainly in Ticino; their age is 32/33.*

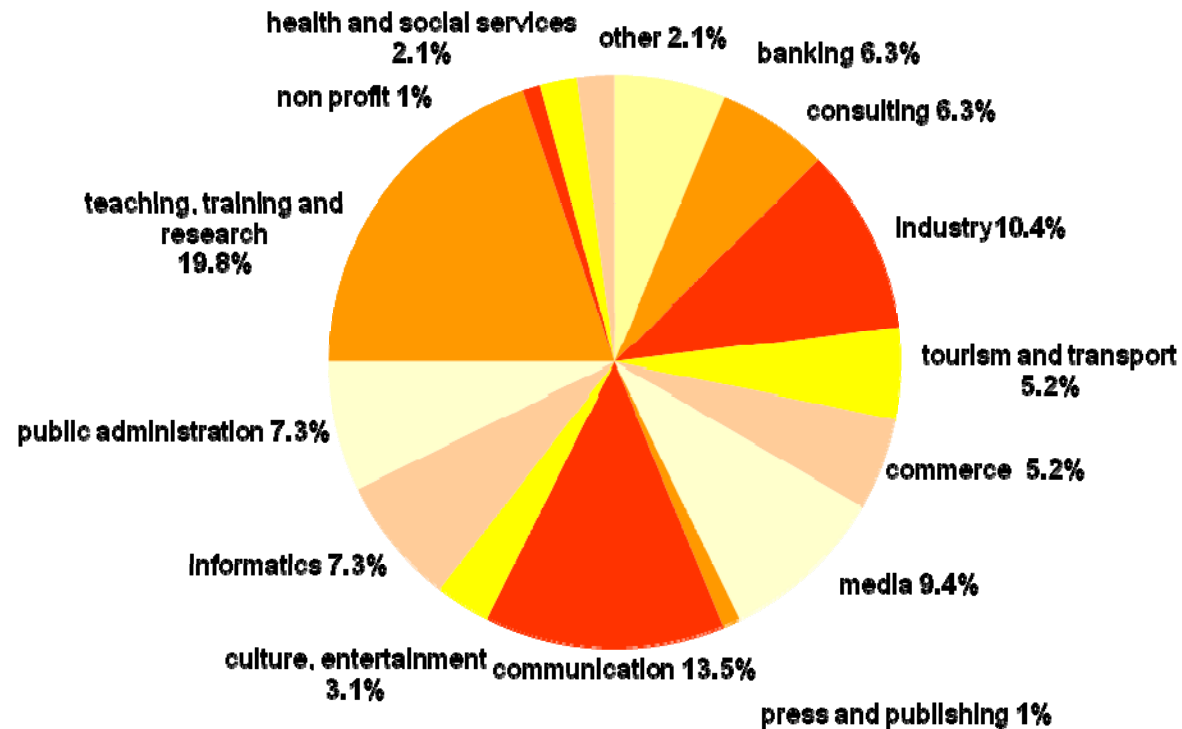
Employment sectors (1 year after graduation)

➔ Employment by sector, graduates in Economics



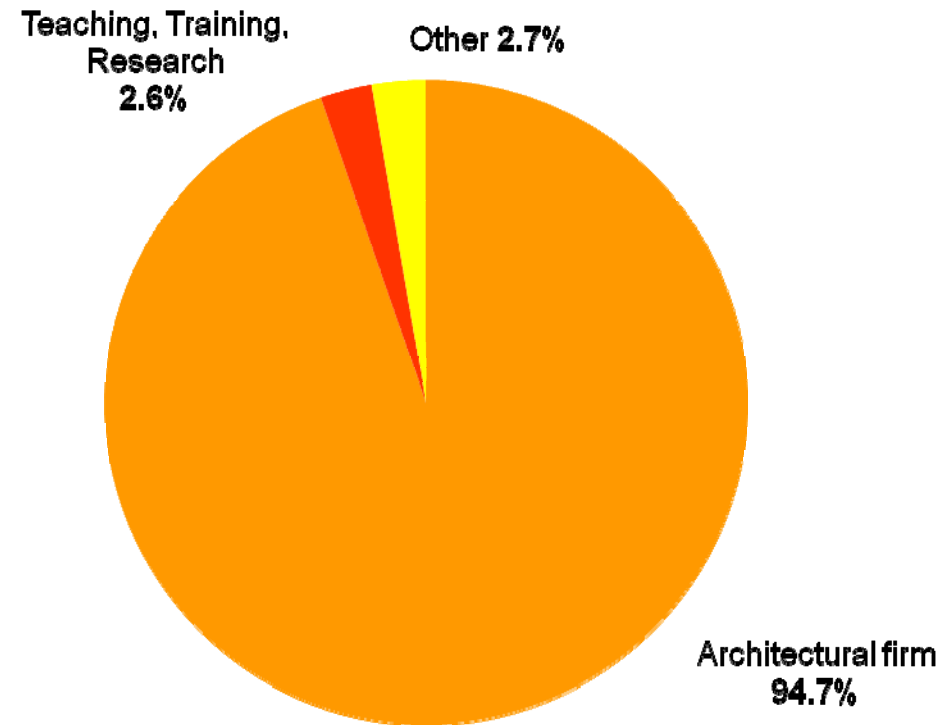
Employment sectors (1 year after graduation)

➔ Employment by sector, graduates in Communication Sciences



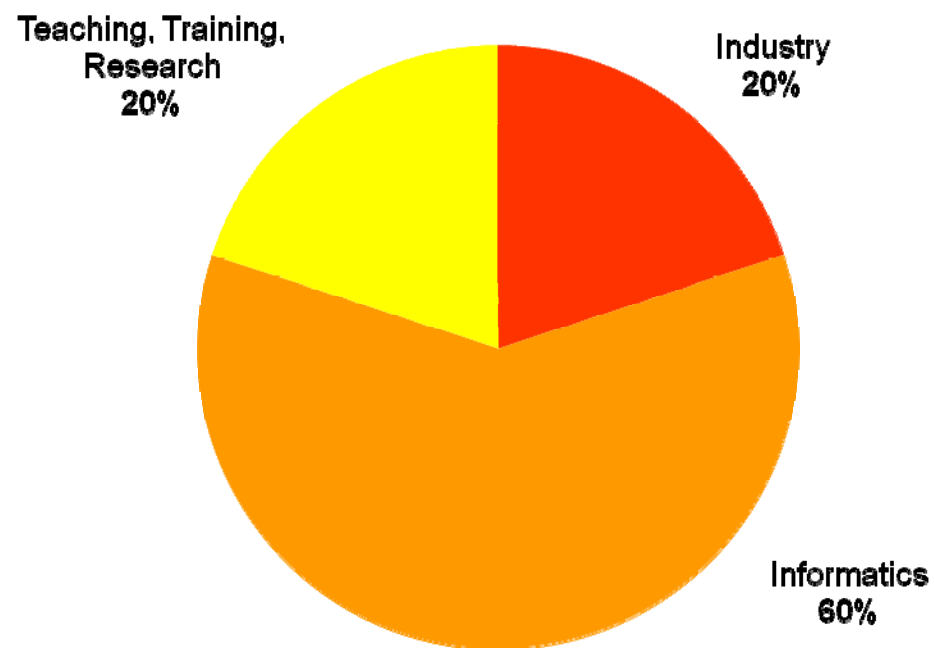
Employment sectors (1 year after graduation)

➔ Employment by sector, graduates in Architecture



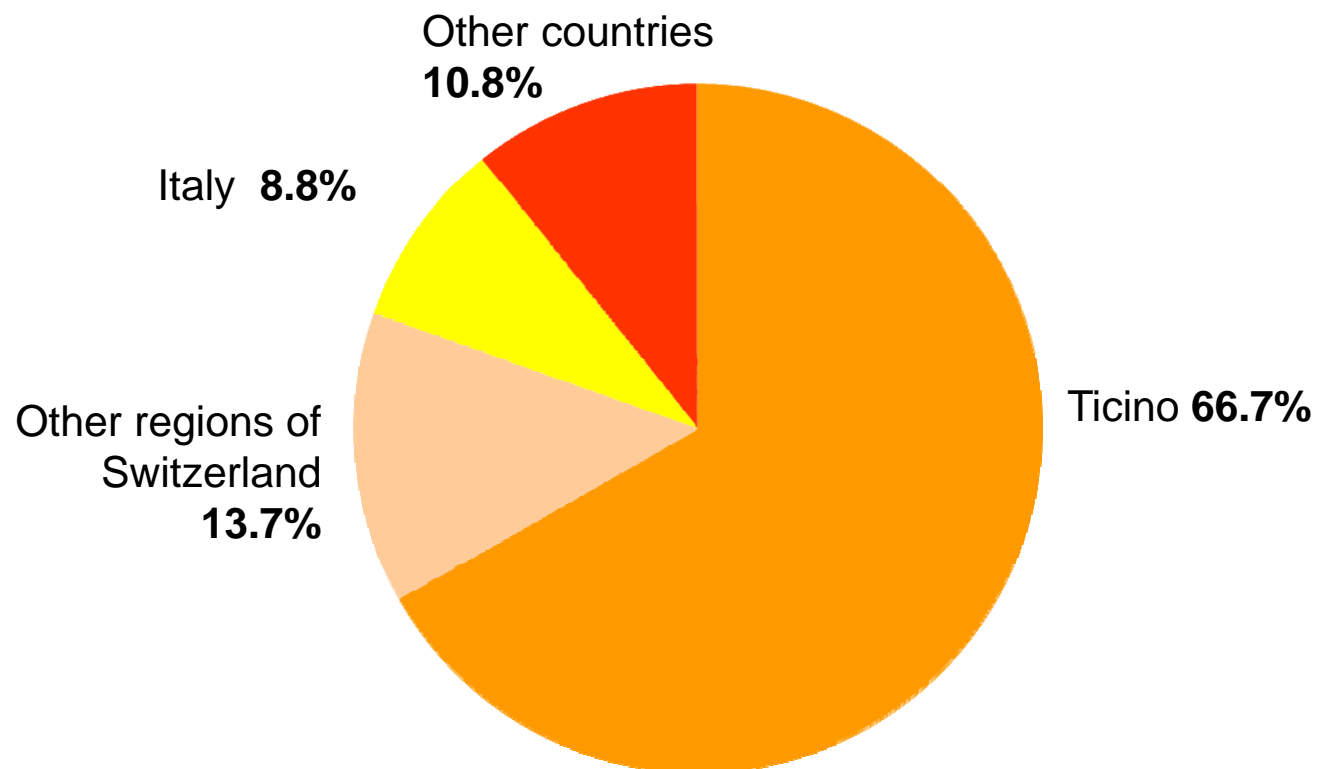
Employment sectors (1 year after graduation)

➔ Employment by sector, graduates in Informatics



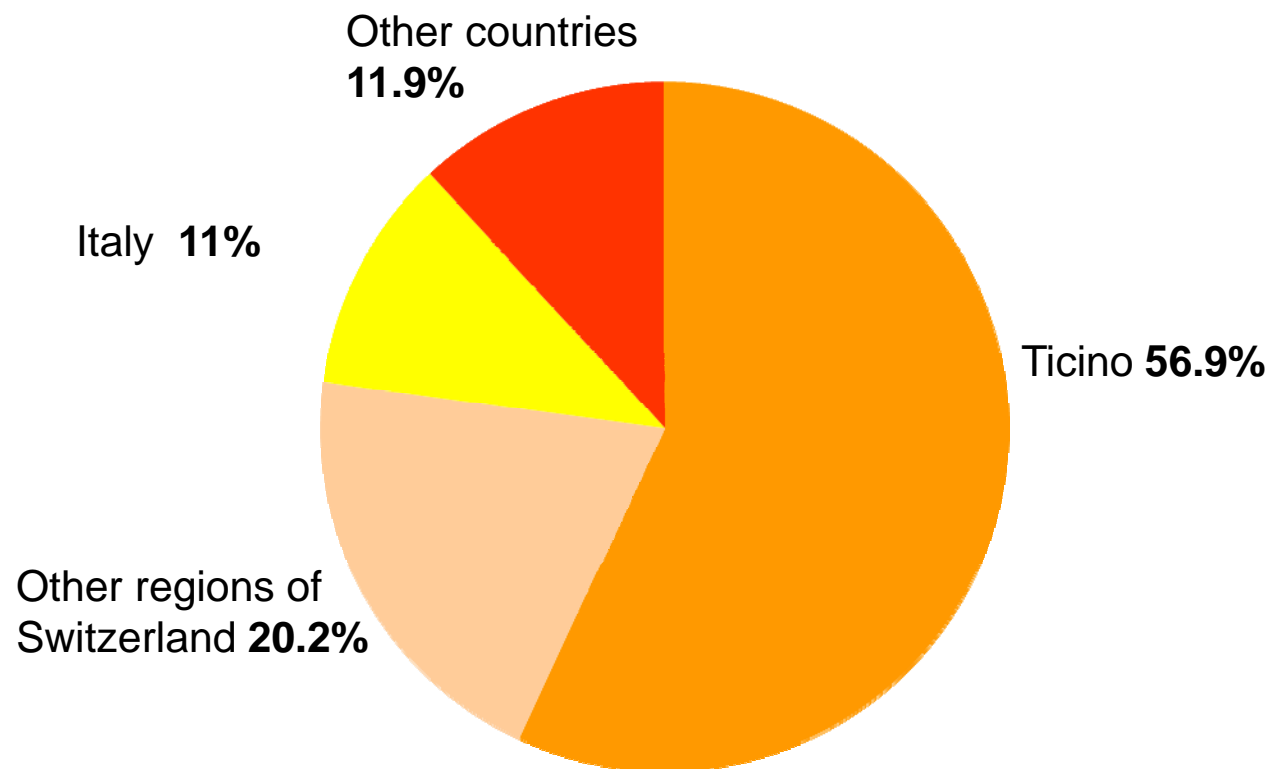
Place of work (1 year after graduation)

➔ Prevalence of vocational openings in Ticino



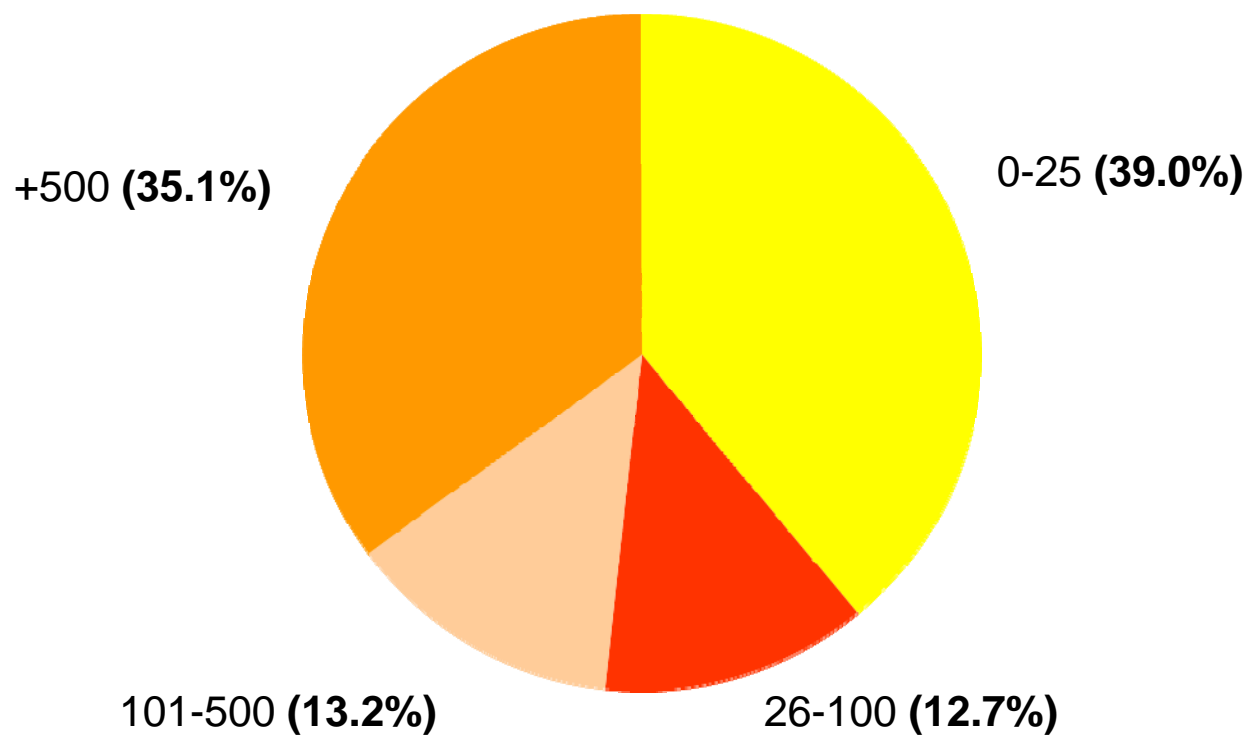
Place of work (5 years after graduation)

- ➔ Greater mobility outside Ticino (mainly to other cantons)



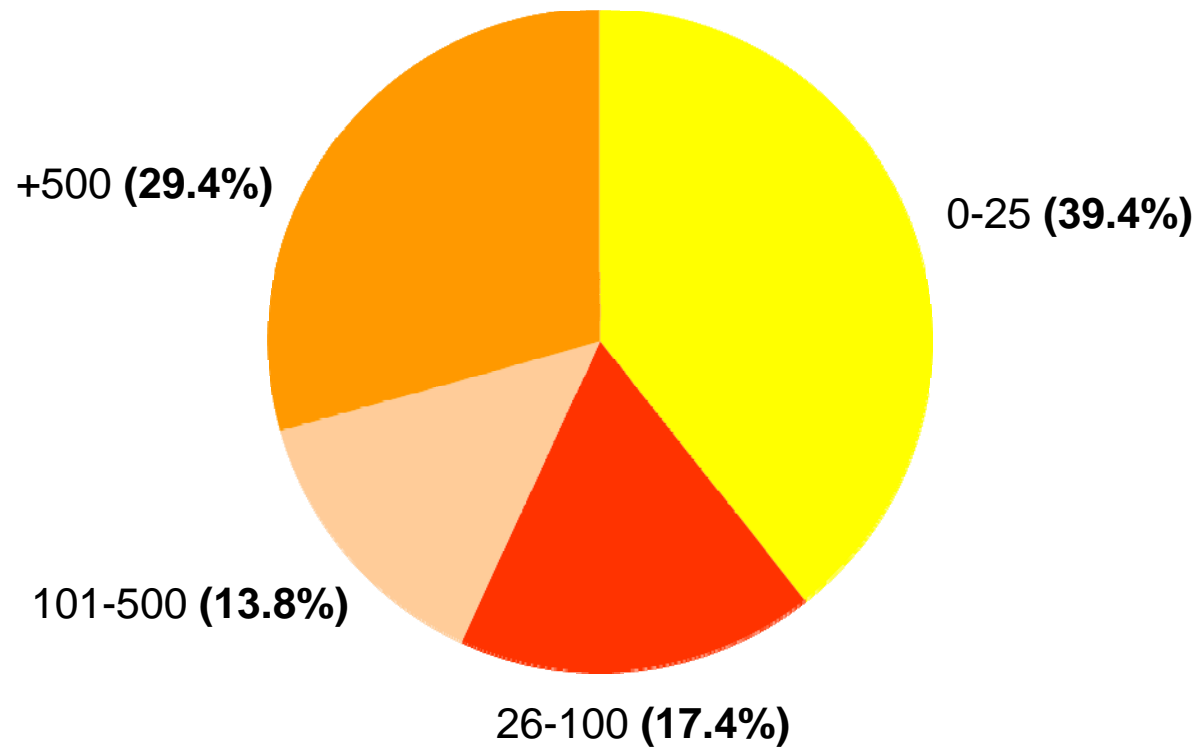
Size of the company (1 year after graduation)

➔ Prevalence of small or very large companies



Size of the company (5 years after graduation)

- ➔ Slight trend to leave large companies for medium-sized ones (26-100)



Type of contract (1 year after graduation)

- ➔ Most USI graduates have an employee (89.2%) and open-ended contract (63.7%).
- ➔ 71.6% choose to work full-time.

Type of contract (5 years after graduation)

- ⇒ The number of graduates with open-ended contracts has increased (89.7%).
- ⇒ 75% continue to choose to work full-time (compared to 71% of class 2006-2007 graduates).

Annual income of graduates (after 1 and 5 years)

(average in CHF)

	1 year	5 years
TOTAL	53.700	70.300
By Faculty		
<i>Economics</i>	67.500	84.400
<i>Communication Sciences</i>	48.100	71.600
<i>Architecture</i>	44.900	59.400
<i>Informatics</i>	58.500	-
By Qualification		
<i>Bachelor</i>	46.600	-
<i>Four-year degree</i>	55.200	75.800
<i>Master</i>	63.000	-
<i>Post-graduate</i>	70.700	90.000
By Work place		
<i>Switzerland</i>	56.400	75.500
<i>Ticino</i>	54.800	73.600
<i>Other Swiss region</i>	64.100	80.700
<i>Italy</i>	33.300	43.700
<i>Rest of the World</i>	50.700	57.500
By Gender		
<i>Male</i>	57.900	73.400
<i>Female</i>	50.500	64.900

Consistency, professional satisfaction and USI

- ➔ 72.2% of the graduates who answered work in a sector which is consistent with the training received at USI and 94.9% declare to be satisfied with their current job. 5 years after graduation these percentages rise to 75.7% (consistency) and 96.2% (satisfaction) respectively.
- ➔ Of those who answered the questionnaire, 91.3% of class 2006-2007 graduates and 87.8% of class 2002 graduates declare that they are satisfied with the skills acquired at USI.

The 2008 survey in a nutshell

Population	1 year after graduation (2006/2007)	5 years after graduation (2002)
% Employment	95.3%	97.8%
Integration times (months)	1.5	-
Monthly salary CHF	53.700	70.300
Work in Ticino	67%	57%