

# Professional placement of USI graduates

## 2012 Survey Results

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## Survey Methodology

- The 9<sup>th</sup> annual survey was carried out between April and June of 2012 by the *USI Career Service* by contacting graduates from the classes of 2010-2011 (at 1 year after graduation) and the class of 2006 (at 5 years after graduation). Graduates of the Faculty of Communication Sciences, Economics, Architecture and Informatics were included.
- Out of 853 graduates, 418 responses were received (49.0%) of which 154 out of 312 originated from 2006 graduates (49.3%) and 264 out of 541 from 2010-2011 graduates (48.8%), respectively.

## 2012 Survey: population and responses at 1 year after graduation from USI

DEGREE	ARCH	COM	ECO	INFO	TOT	% alumni
<b>Bachelor</b>	-	56	74	9	139	25.7
<b>Master</b>	-	101	146	29	276	51.0
<b>Diploma</b>	105	-	-	-	105	19.4
<b>PhD</b>	-	5	9	7	21	3.8
<b>Total</b> % faculty	105 19.4	162 29.9	229 42.3	45 8.3	541	100

DEGREE	ARCH	COM	ECO	INFO	TOT	% alumni
<b>Bachelor</b>	-	30	39	6	<b>75</b>	28.4
<b>Master</b>	-	34	66	15	<b>135</b>	51.1
<b>Diploma</b>	41	-	-	-	<b>41</b>	15.5
<b>PhD</b>	-	3	4	6	<b>13</b>	4.9
<b>Total</b> % faculty	<b>41</b> 15.5	<b>87</b> 32.9	<b>109</b> 41.9	<b>27</b> 10.2	<b>264</b>	<b>48.8</b>

	ARCH	COM	ECO	INFO	TOT
<b>Response rate, (%) by Faculty</b>	39.0	53.7	47.6	60.0	48.8

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## 2012 Survey: population and responses 5 years after graduation from USI

DEGREE	ARCH	COM	ECO	INFO	TOT	% alumni
Bachelor	-	57	34	-	91	29.2
Master	-	37	39	12	88	28.2
4 year degree	-	36	13	-	49	15.7
Diploma	74	-	-	-	74	23.7
PhD	-	6	4	-	10	3.2
<b>Total</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>136</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>312</b>	<b>100</b>
% faculty	23.7	43.6	28.8	3.8		

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Bachelor	-	27	20	-	47	30.5
Master	-	20	20	6	46	29.8
4 year degree	-	23	8	-	31	20.1
Diploma	26	-	-	-	26	16.9
PhD	-	2	2	-	4	2.6
<b>Total</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>154</b>	<b>49.3</b>
% faculty	16.8	46.7	34.4	3.8		

	ARCH	COM	ECO	INFO	TOT
Response rate, (%) by Faculty	35.1	52.9	56.6	50.0	49.3

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## Main results from the survey

- ➔ 91.7% of students are occupied one year after graduation, rising to 98.1% after 5 years, respectively, which is consistent with past years.
- ➔ The average time taken to attain positions is 3.5 months.
- ➔ 1 year after graduation, 49.4% of graduates work in Ticino, rising to 53.8% at the interval of 5 years post graduation, while employment in other Swiss Cantons increases substantially from 19.5% to 25.6%.
- ➔ It is confirmed that a growing number of past USI students hold management positions: 5 years after graduation, 1 out of 4 graduates is employed in a management (23.5%) or an executive (4.9%) role.

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## A snapshot of occupation 1 year after graduation

- ➔ 91.7% of graduates are occupied: *of this group, 74.2% work and 15.2% study (of these, 66.7% study at USI) . Of those working, 12.5% carry out their professional work in conjunction with studying.*
- ➔ 8.3% (22) graduates are actively seeking work: *of this group, 18.2% (4) holds Bachelor degrees, 50% (11) holds Master's degrees, and 22.7% (5) holds a degree in Architecture. 70% of these have had at least one professional experience, held for an average of 9 months, and are 29 years old at the median.*

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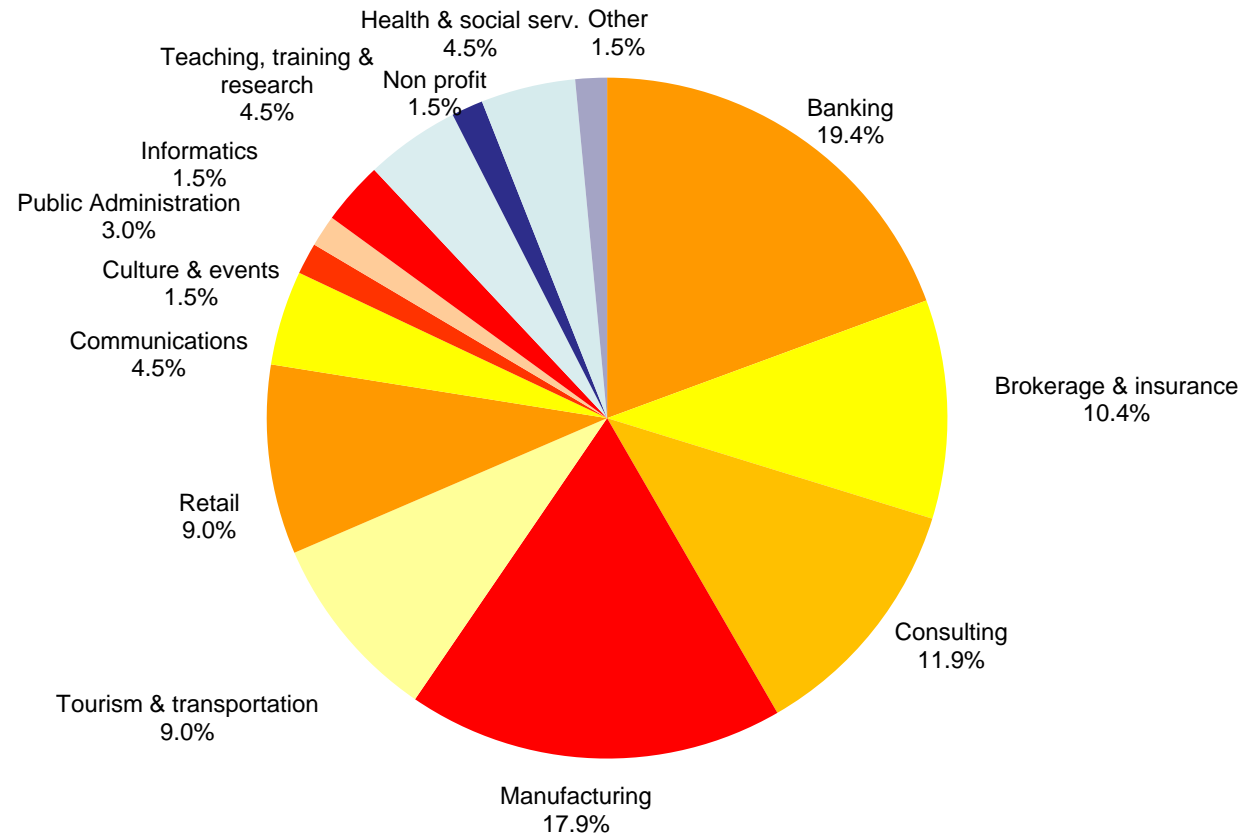
## A snapshot of occupation 5 years after graduation

- ➔ 98.1% of graduates are occupied: *of these, 93.5% work (while 8.4% study and work) and 3.2% have made other choices.*
- ➔ 1.9% (3) graduates are in search of (new) occupation: *with a median age of 35 years, and have attained, on average, more than 4 years of work experience.*

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## Employment sectors (1 year after graduation)

### ➔ Economics graduates

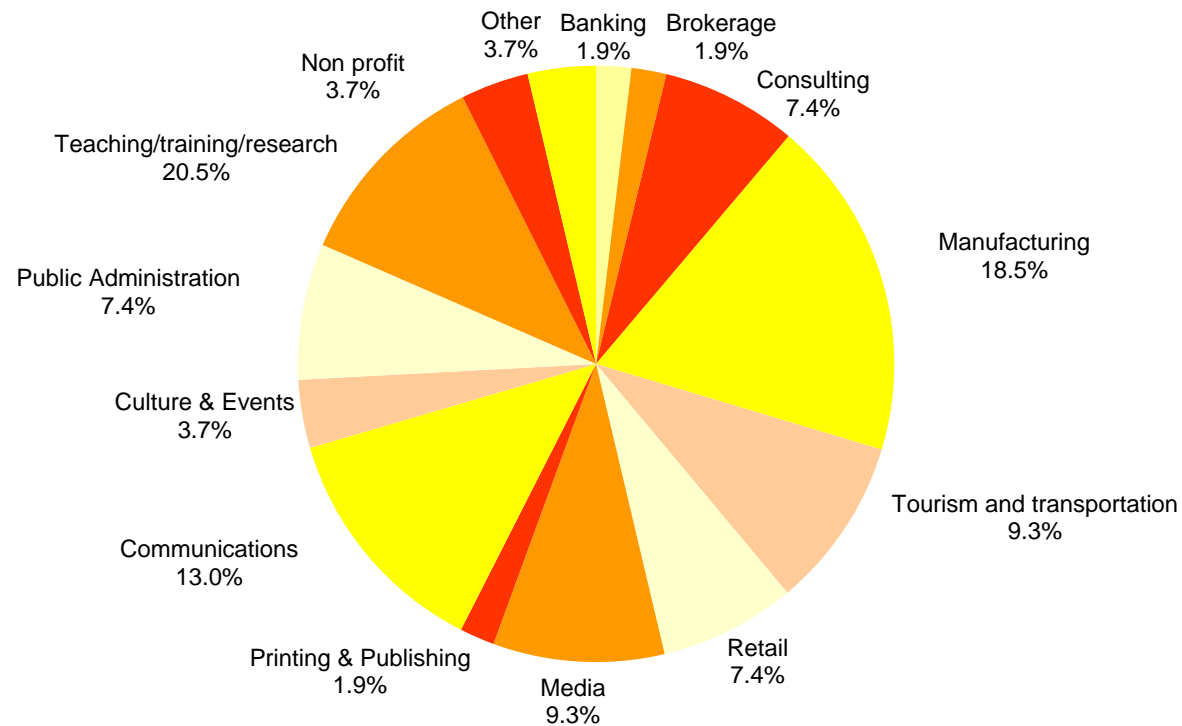


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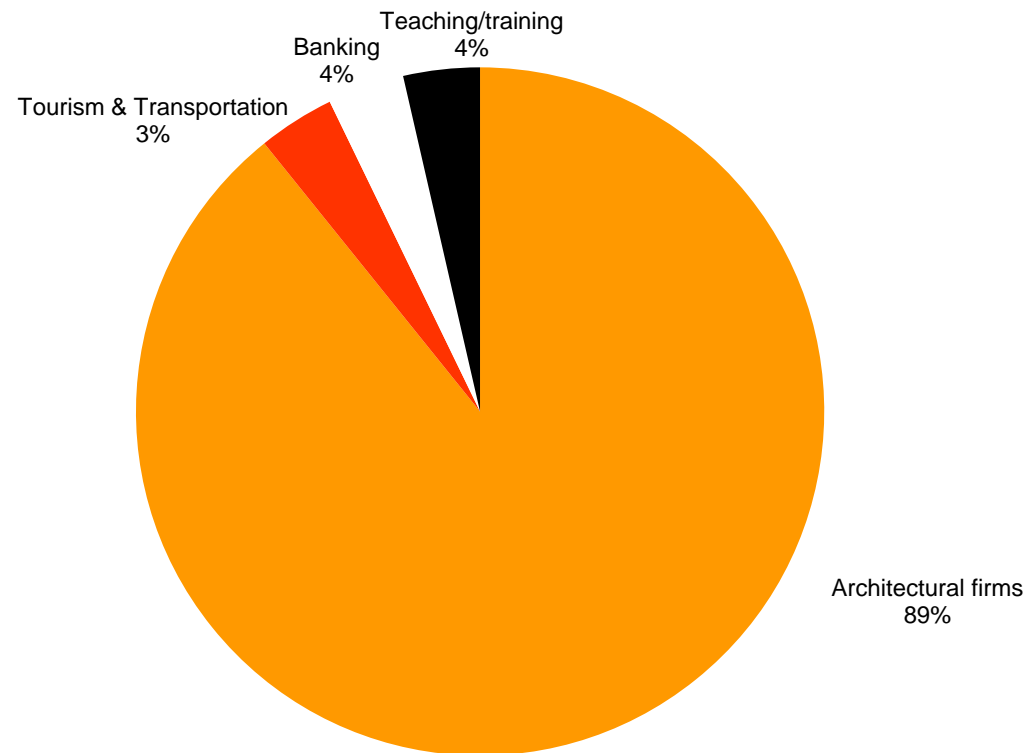
➔ Communication Sciences graduates



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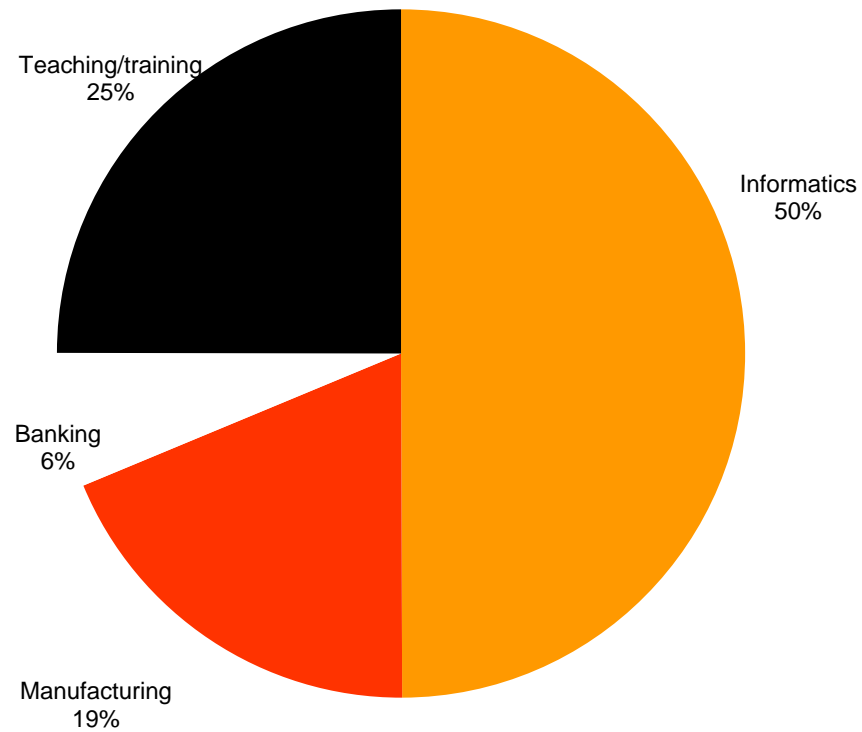
### ➔ Architecture graduates



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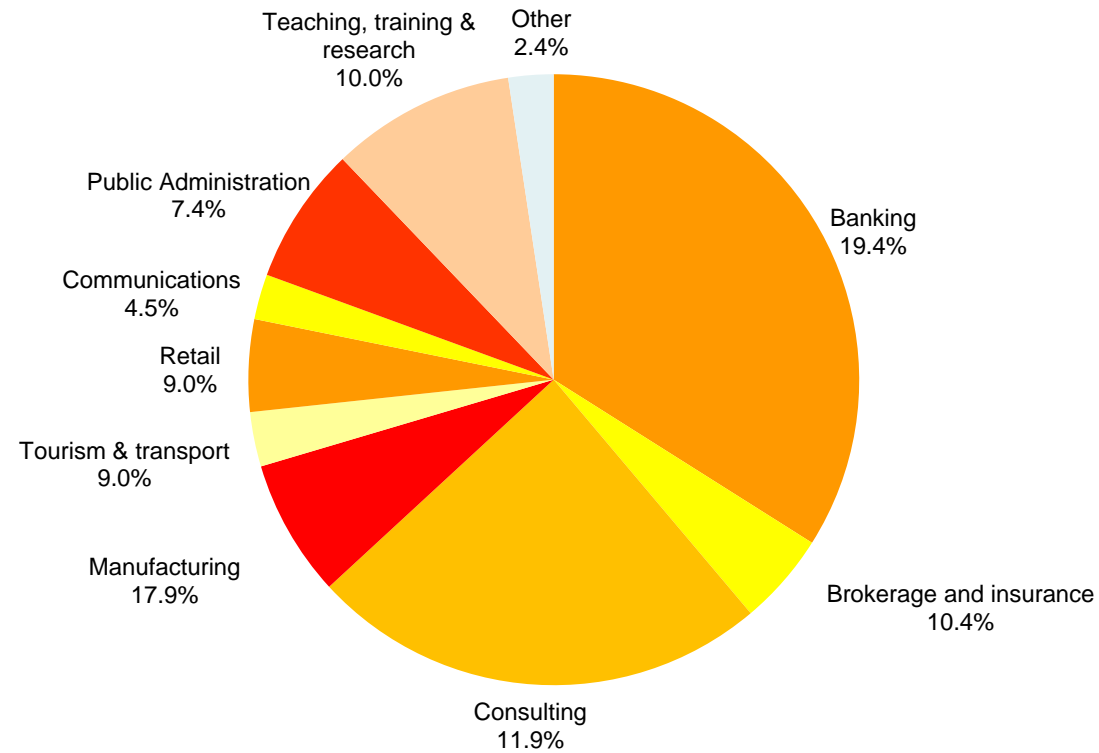
➔ Informatics graduates



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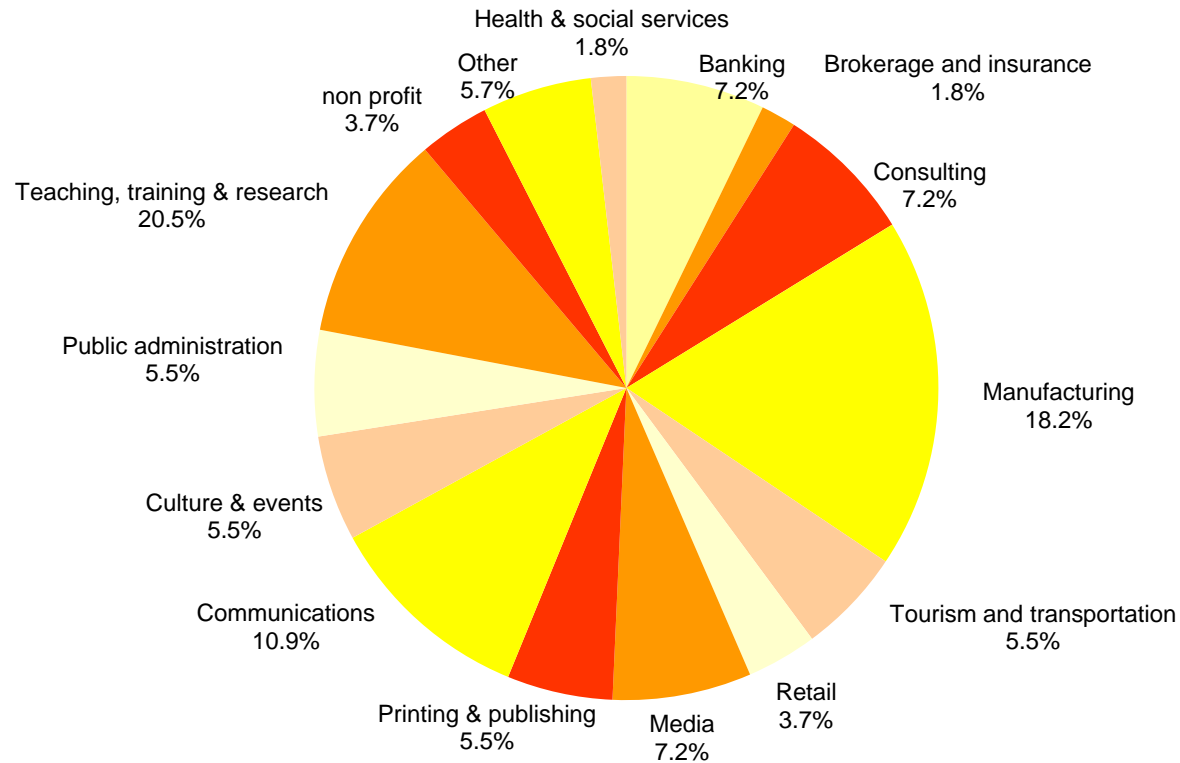
➔ Economics graduates



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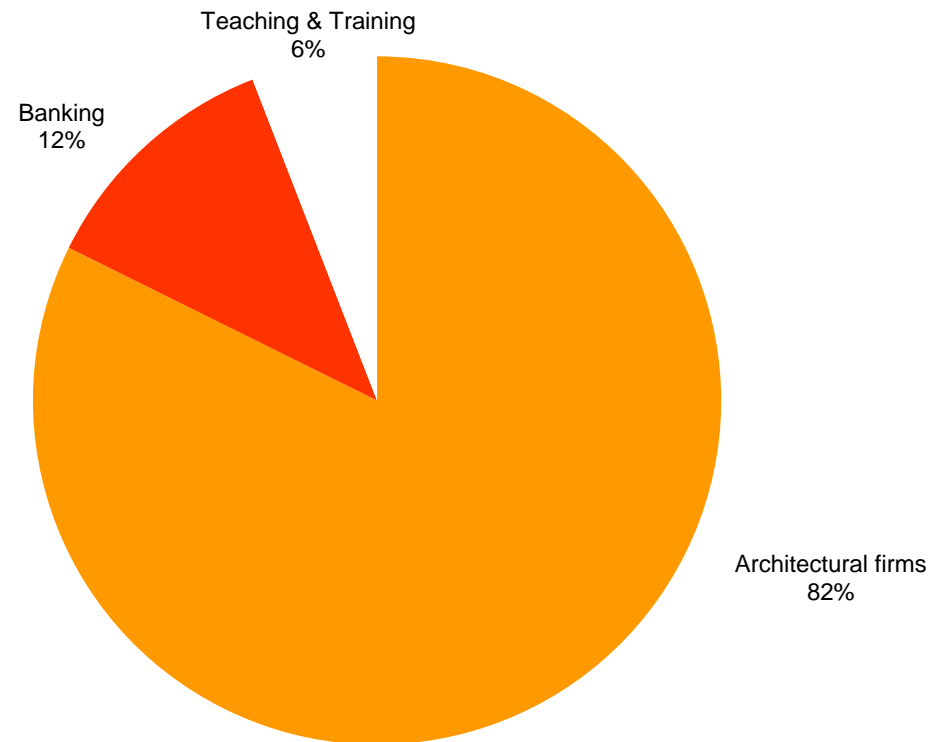
### ➔ Communication Sciences graduates



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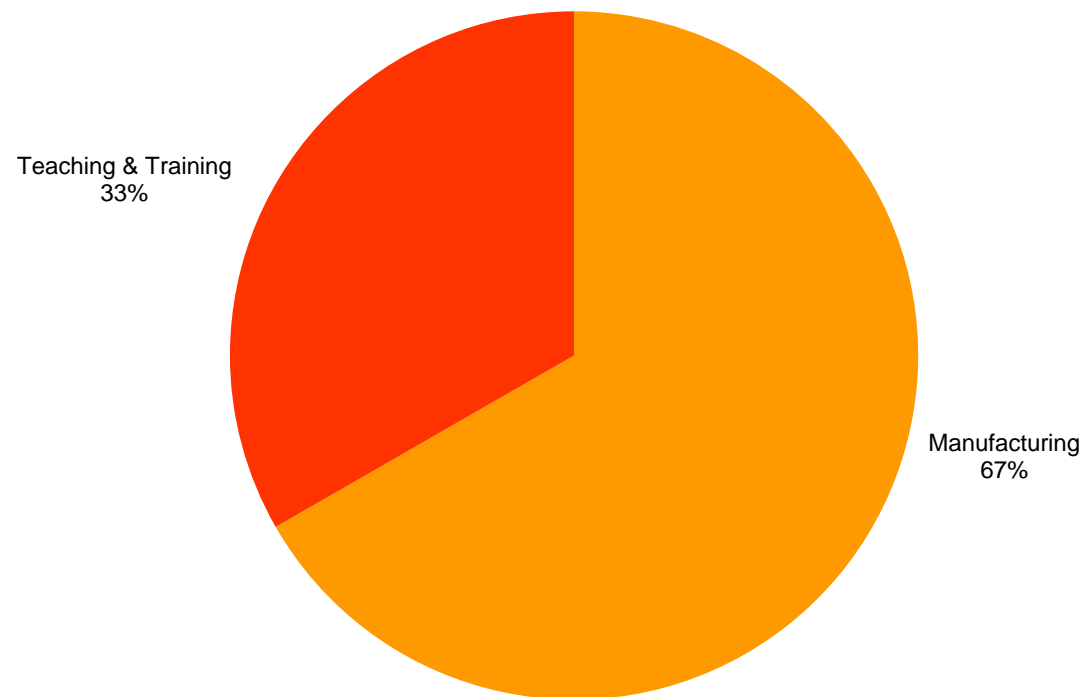
➔ Architecture graduates



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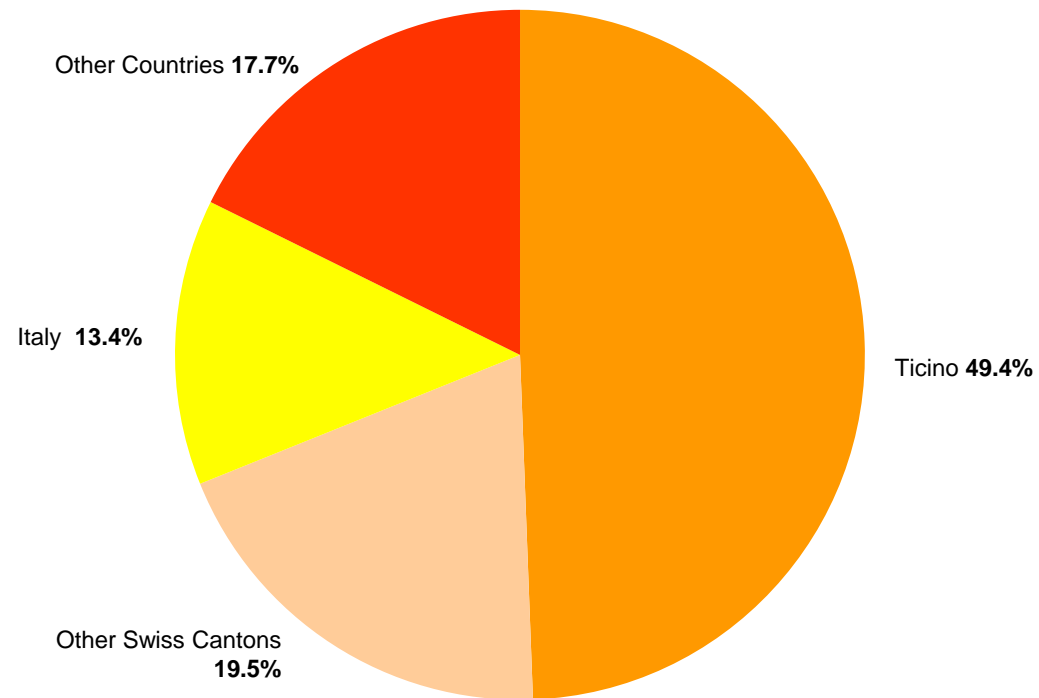
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## Place of work (1 year after graduation)

➔ Prevalence of positions in Ticino

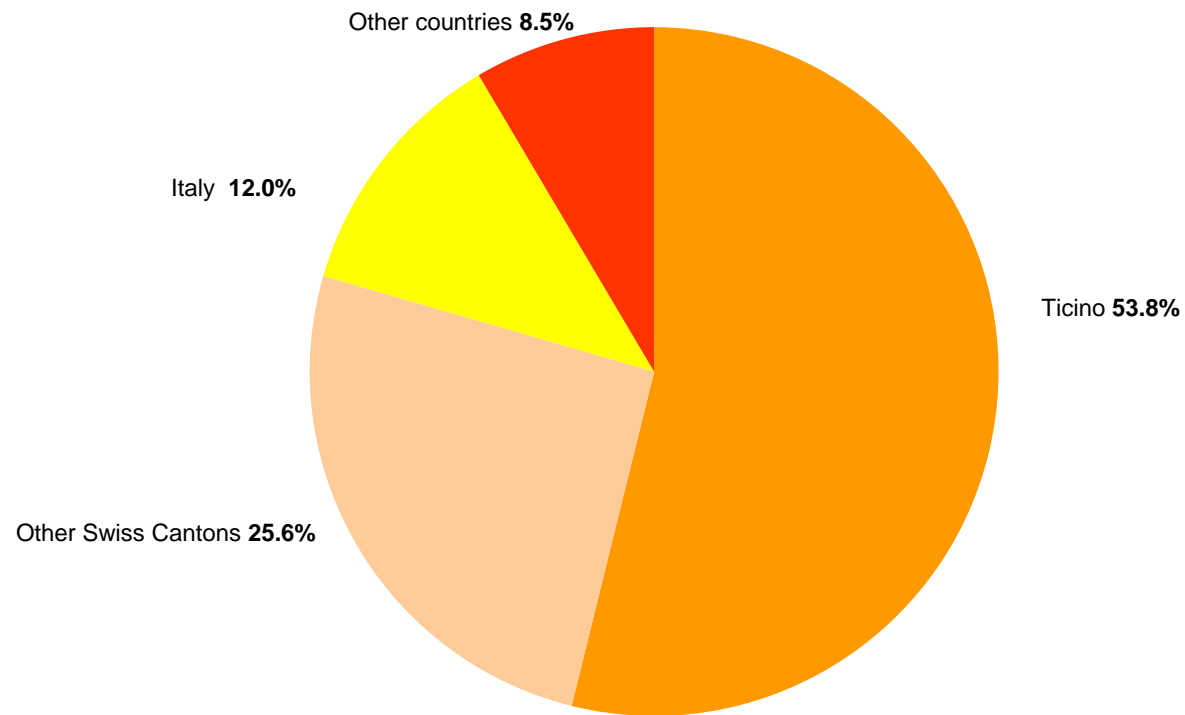


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## Place of work (5 years after graduation)

- ➔ Greater mobility, primarily toward other Swiss Cantons

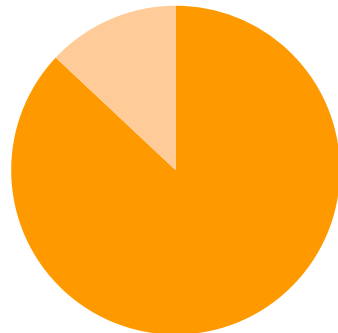


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## Place of work (by country, 1 year after graduation)

➔ Low mobility of the Swiss

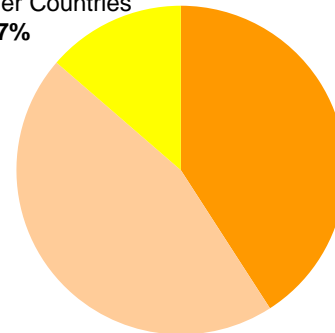
Other Swiss Canton 13.0%



Ticino 87.0%

From  
Ticino

Other Countries  
16.7%

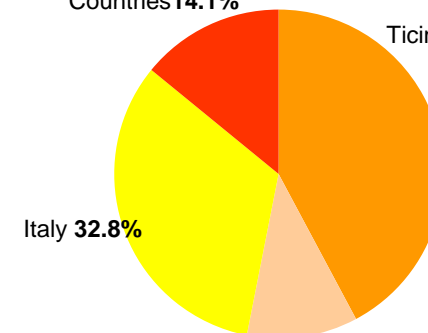


Other Swiss Canton 55.6%

From other Swiss  
Cantons

Ticino 27.8%

Other  
Countries 14.1%



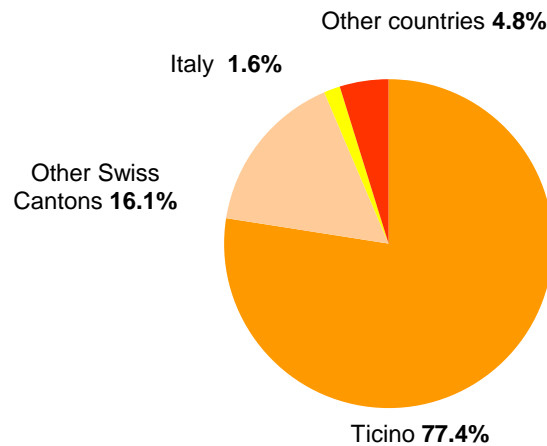
Other Swiss Canton 10.9%

Italians

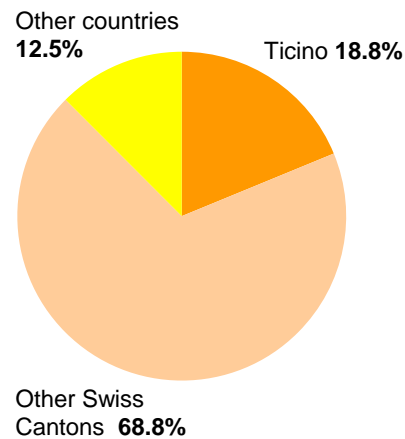
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## Place of work (by country, 5 years after graduation)

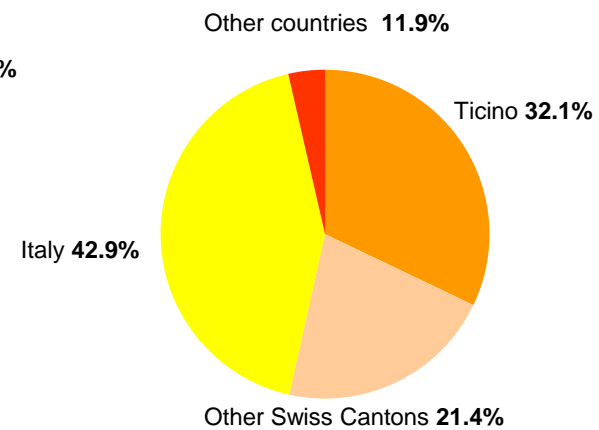
➔ Partial return to the area of origin



From Ticino



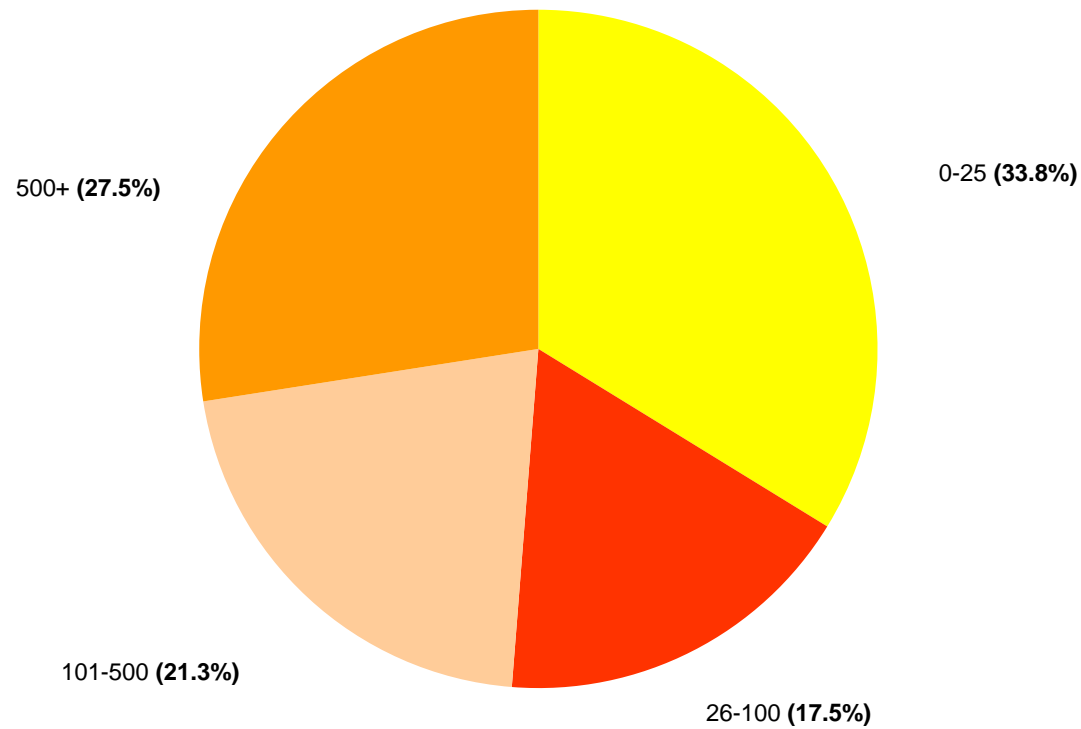
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## Company size (1 year after graduation)

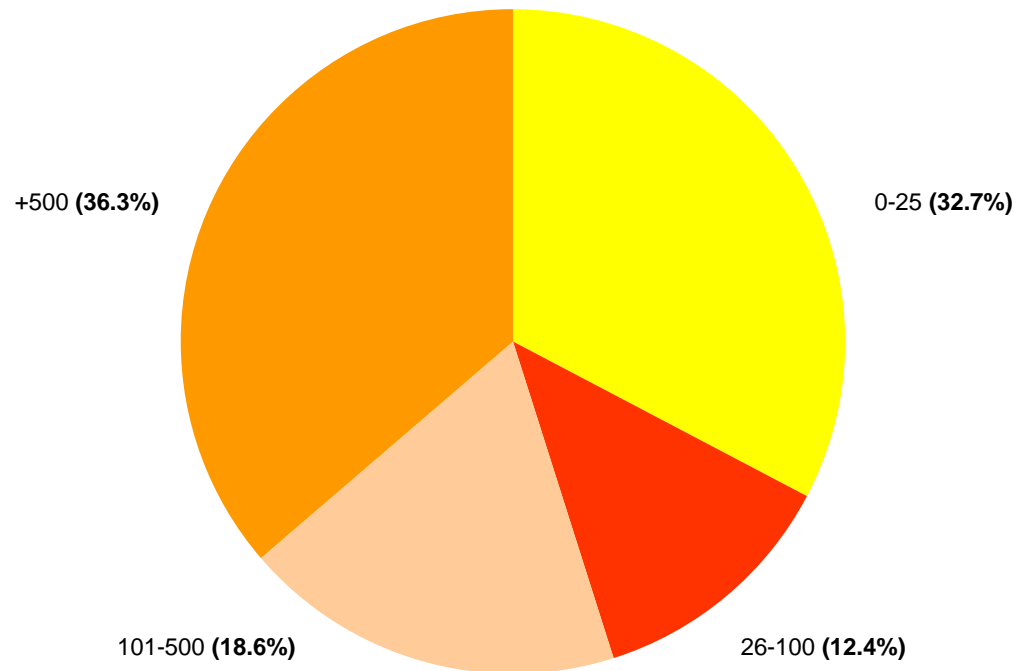
➔ Prevalence of small businesses and large firms



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## Company size (5 years after graduation)

➔ Prevalence of small businesses and large firms



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## Type of contract (1 year after graduation)

- ⇒ The majority of USI graduates (94.3%) are under an employment contract that is open-ended (64.5%).
- ⇒ 86.6% choose to work full-time.

## La tipologia di contratto (a 5 anni da laurea)

- ➔ The majority of USI graduates after 5 years are under an employment contract (92.7%). The percentage of graduates working on an open-ended contract is also increasing (90.7% with respect to 64.5% after 1 year).
- ➔ The number of graduates choosing to work full-time remains constant (86.1% with respect to 86.6% of graduates after 1 year).

## Annual income of graduates 1 and 5 years after graduation (median value, in CHF)

### One year after graduation

Place of work: Switzerland

Degree	Median income, CHF
Bachelor	46.750
Master	60.800

### Five years after graduation

Place of work: Switzerland

Degree	Median income, CHF
Bachelor	74.400
Master	84.850

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## Consistency, job satisfaction and USI

- ➔ 75.9% of respondents work in a field consistent with that of their field of study at USI, and 93.6% state that they are satisfied with their current professional occupation. 5 years after graduation, these percentages are 72.3% (consistency) and 93.4% (satisfaction).
- ➔ Of the survey respondents, 79.1% of the new graduates and 83.9% of those 5 years after graduation state that they are satisfied with the skills acquired at USI.

## An evolution: comparing USI survey results from 2002 -2011

	2002	2004	2005	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
Graduate class of:	12.2001	6.2003	6.2004	12.2005	After 1 yr. (2006/7)	After 1 yr. (2007/8)	After 1 yr. (2008/09)	After 1 yr. (2009/10)	After 1 yr. (2010/11)	After 5 yrs. (2002)	After 5 yrs. (2003)	After 5 yrs. (2004)	After 5 yrs. (2005)	After 5 yrs. (2006)
% occupied	92.30%	90.50%	91.20%	95.40%	95.30%	95.40%	93.60%	95.50%	91.70%	97.80%	98.30%	98.00%	96.60%	98.10%
Tempi ingresso (mesi) *	1.9	2.7	2.3	2.3	1.5	1.7	1.5	2	3.5	-	-	-	-	-
Retribuzione media CHF	65.5	60.2	65.8	61.5	53.7	59.9	58.9	54.2	51.4	70.3	74.4	78.6	77.1	73.7
Lavoro in Ticino	77%	67%	64%	57%	63%	65%	57%	43%	49%	57%	43%	50%	50%	54%
Population	193	484	879	1196	648	498	541	493	541	225	261	286	279	312
Respondents	131	241	422	559	317	261	251	222	264	132	115	150	175	154
(Response rate)	67.8	49.8	48	46.7	48.9	52.4	46.4	45	48.8	58.6	55.8	52.4	62.7	49.3