

Placement report of USI graduates

2013 Survey Results

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Survey Methodology

- ➔ The 10th annual survey was carried out between May and July 2013 by the *USI Career Service* by contacting graduates from 2011 (1 year after graduation) and from 2007 (5 years after graduation). Graduates of the Faculties of Communication Sciences, Economics, Architecture and Informatics were included.
- ➔ Out of 884 graduates (319 from 2007, 565 from 2011) 484 responded to the survey (54.7%); 166 responses came from 2007 graduates (52.0%), 318 from 2011 graduates (56.3%).

2013 Survey: population and responses 1 year after graduation from USI

DEGREE	ARCH	COM	ECO	INFO	TOT	% alumni
Bachelor	-	68	79	11	158	27.9
Master	-	83	153	22	258	45.6
Diploma	116	-	-	-	116	20.5
PhD	-	11	11	11	33	5.8
Total	116	162	243	44	565	100
% by faculty	20.5	28.7	43.0	7.8		

DEGREE	ARCH	COM	ECO	INFO	TOT	% alumni
Bachelor	-	37	44	7	88	27.7
Master	-	47	80	16	143	44.9
Diploma	67	-	-	-	67	21.0
PhD	-	8	6	6	20	6.3
Total	67	92	130	29	318	100
% by faculty	21.0	28.9	40.9	9.1		56.3

	ARCH	COM	ECO	INFO	TOT
Response rate, (%) by faculty	57.8	56.8	53.5	65.9	56.3

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2013 Survey: population and responses 5 years after graduation from USI

DEGREE	ARCH	COM	ECO	INFO	TOT	% alumni
Bachelor	-	47	28	6	81	25.4
Master	-	72	49	10	131	41.0
4-year degree	-	12	6	-	18	5.6
Diploma	73	-	-	-	73	22.9
PhD	-	8	7	1	16	5.0
Total	73	139	90	17	319	100
% by faculty	22.8	43.6	28.2	5.3		

DEGREE	ARCH	COM	ECO	INFO	TOT	% alumni
Bachelor	-	19	11	3	33	19.8
Master	-	37	29	6	66	39.7
4-year degree	-	8	3	-	11	6.6
Diploma	40	-	-	-	40	24.1
PhD	-	5	5	-	10	6.1
Total	40	69	48	9	166	100
% by faculty	24.1	41.6	28.9	5.4		52.0

	ARCH	COM	ECO	INFO	TOT
Response rate, (%) by faculty	54.8	49.6	53.3	52.9	52.0

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Main results from the survey

- ➔ 90.9% of students are occupied one year after graduation, a number that rises to 95.2% after 5 years. This is consistent with past years.
- ➔ The average time students need to get a position is 2.7 months.
- ➔ 1 year after graduation, 40.7% of graduates work in Ticino and 19.5% in other Swiss Cantons. 5 years after graduation, 53.8% of graduates work in Ticino and 19.5% in other Swiss Cantons.
- ➔ It was confirmed that a growing number of former USI students hold management positions: 5 years after graduation, 1 out of 4 graduates has a management (25.2%) or an executive (6.1%) role.

A snapshot of occupation 1 year after graduation

- ⇒ 90.9% of graduates are occupied: *of this group, 74.2% work and 14.2% study (of the latter, 70.0% study at USI). Of those working, 8.2% carry out their professional work in conjunction with studying.*
- ⇒ 9.1% (29) of graduates are actively seeking work: *of this group, 31.0% (9) hold a Bachelor's degree, 41.4% (12) hold a Master's degree, 24.1% (7) hold a degree in Architecture, and 3.4% (1) hold a PhD. 70.8% of these job-seekers have had at least one professional experience for an average duration of 9.5 months; on average, they are 28 years old.*

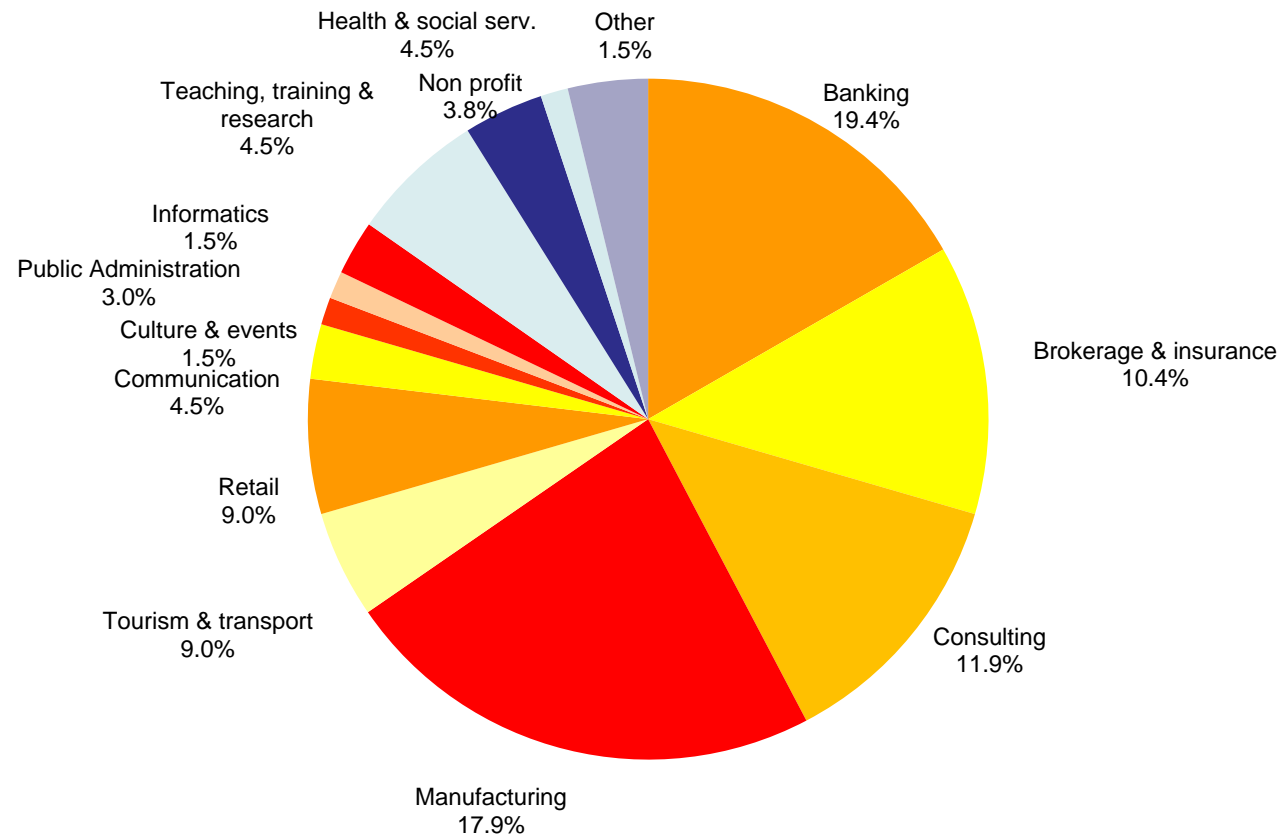
A snapshot of occupation 5 years after graduation

- ➔ 95.2% of graduates are occupied: *of these, 93.3% work (6.6% study and work).*
- ➔ 4.8% (8) graduates are in search of a (new) occupation: *their average age is 35 years; on average, they already have more than 5 years of professional experience.*

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Employment sectors (1 year after graduation)

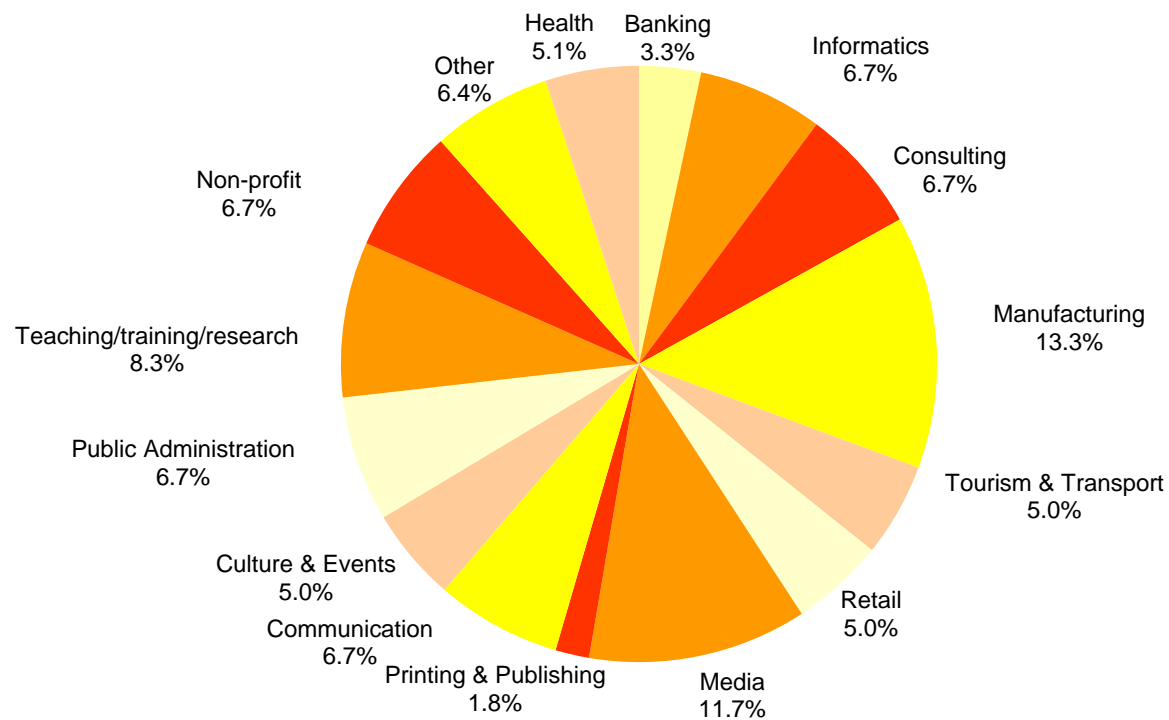
➔ Economics graduates



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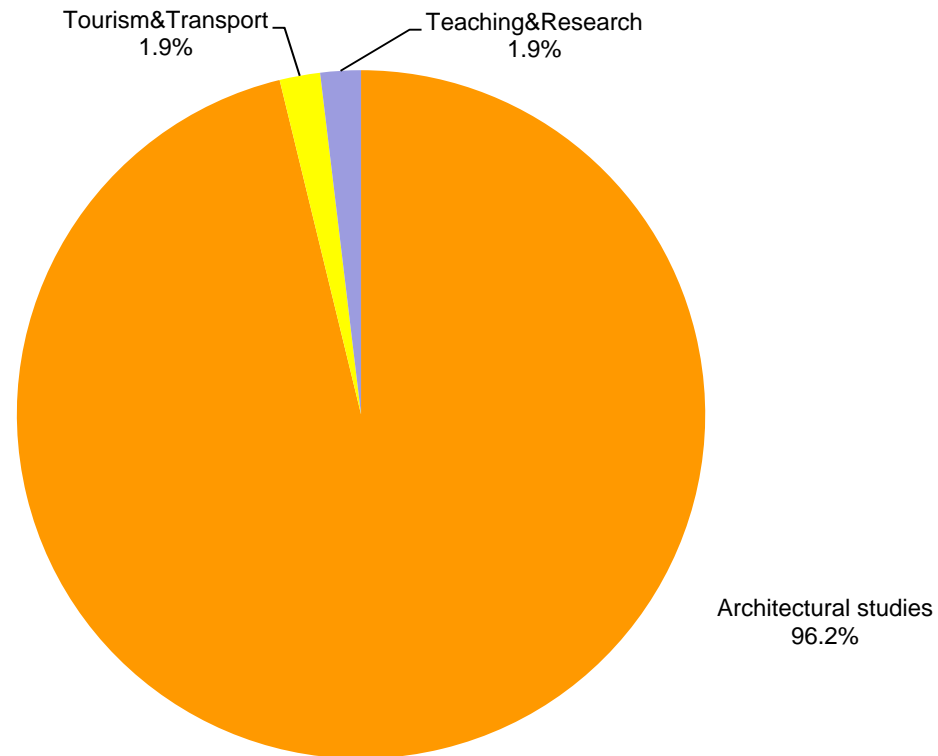
➔ Communication Sciences graduates



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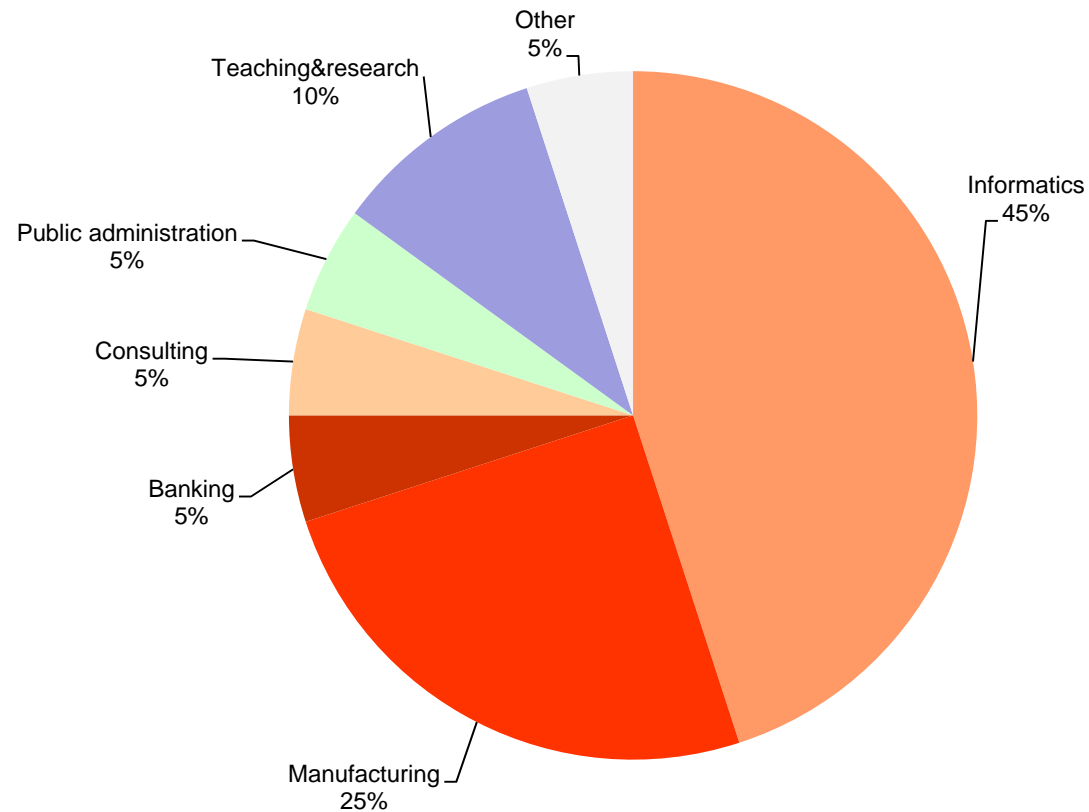
➔ Architecture graduates



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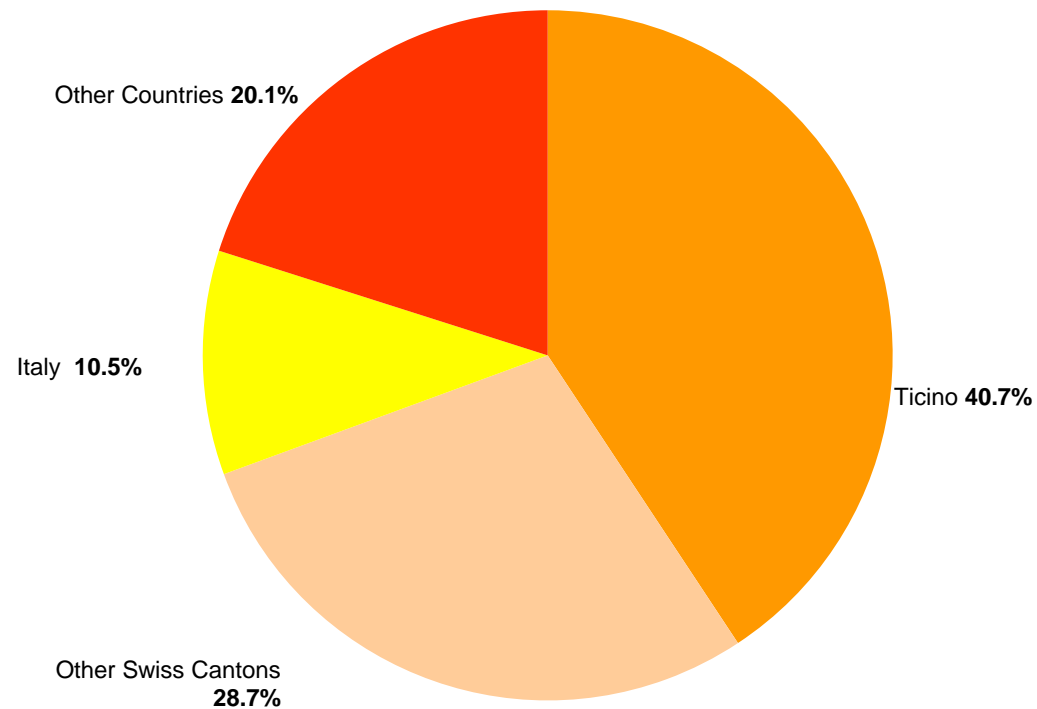
➔ Informatics graduates



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Place of work (1 year after graduation)

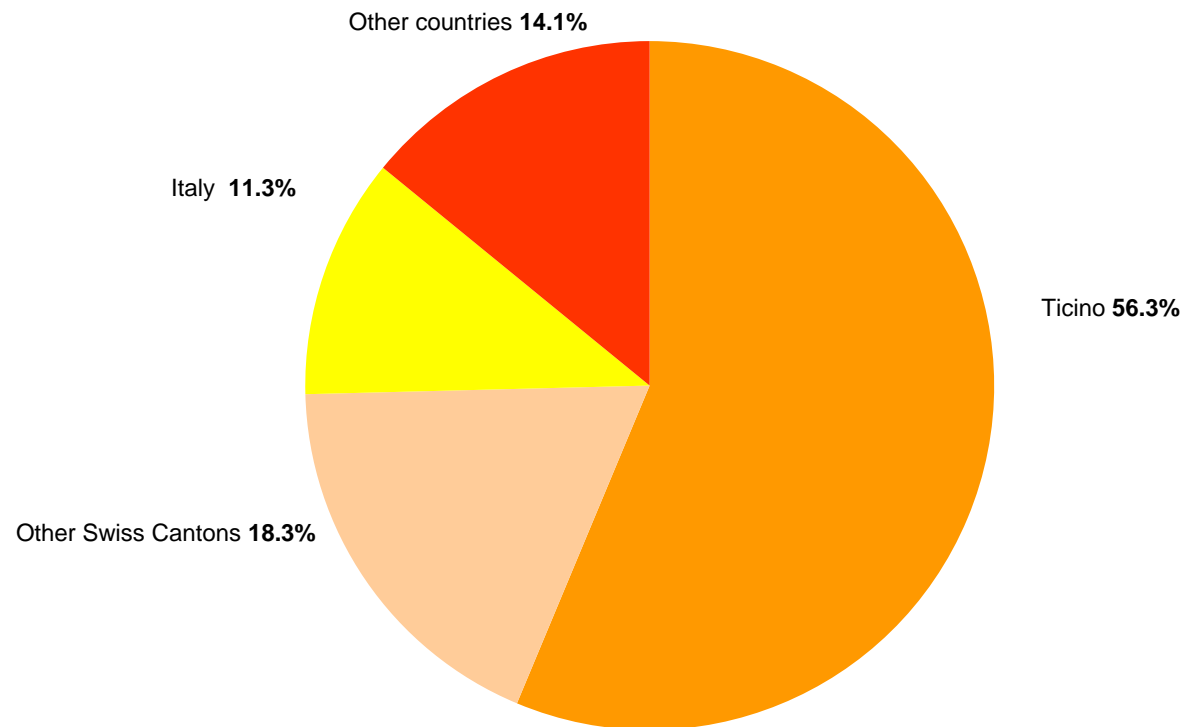
- ➔ High mobility, primarily towards other Swiss Cantons



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Place of work (5 years after graduation)

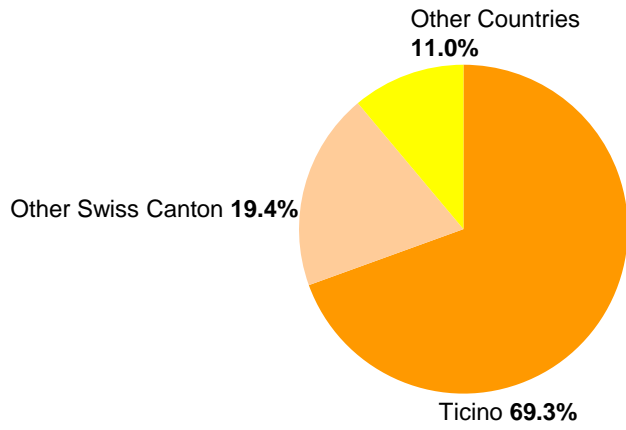
➔ Majority of positions in Ticino



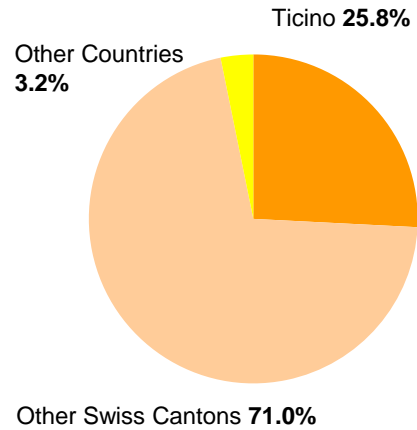
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Place of work (by country, 1 year after graduation)

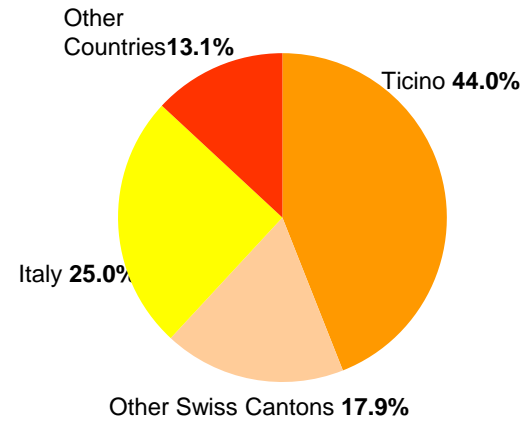
➔ Low mobility of the Swiss



From Ticino



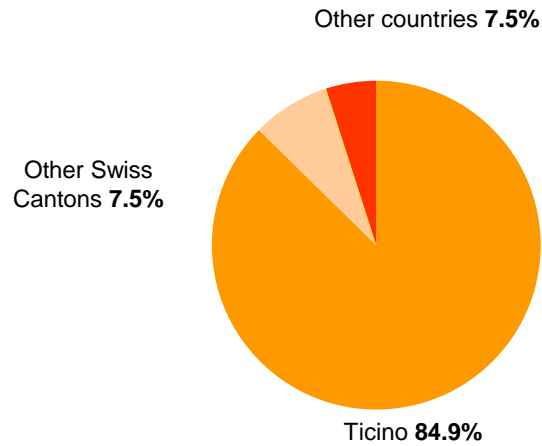
From other Swiss Cantons



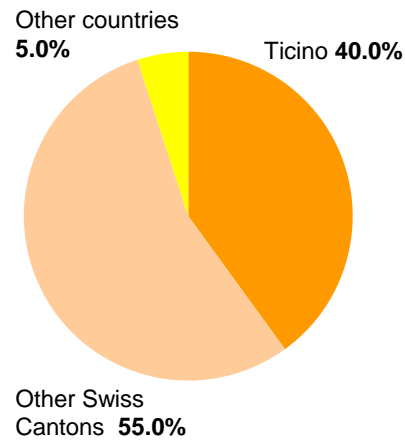
Italians

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

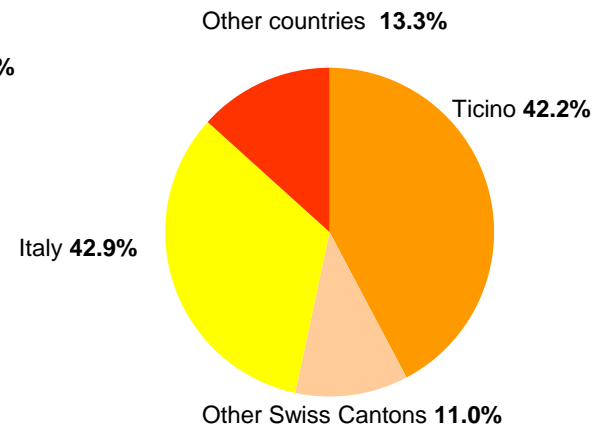
➔ Partial return to the area of origin



From Ticino



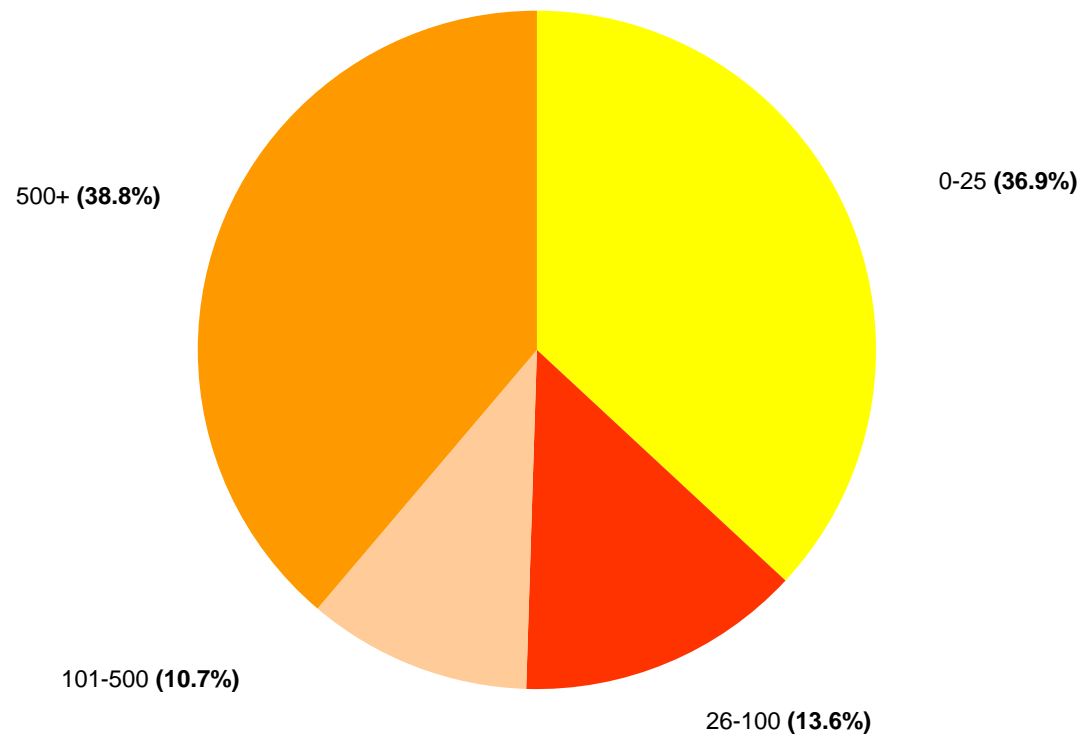
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Company size (1 year after graduation)

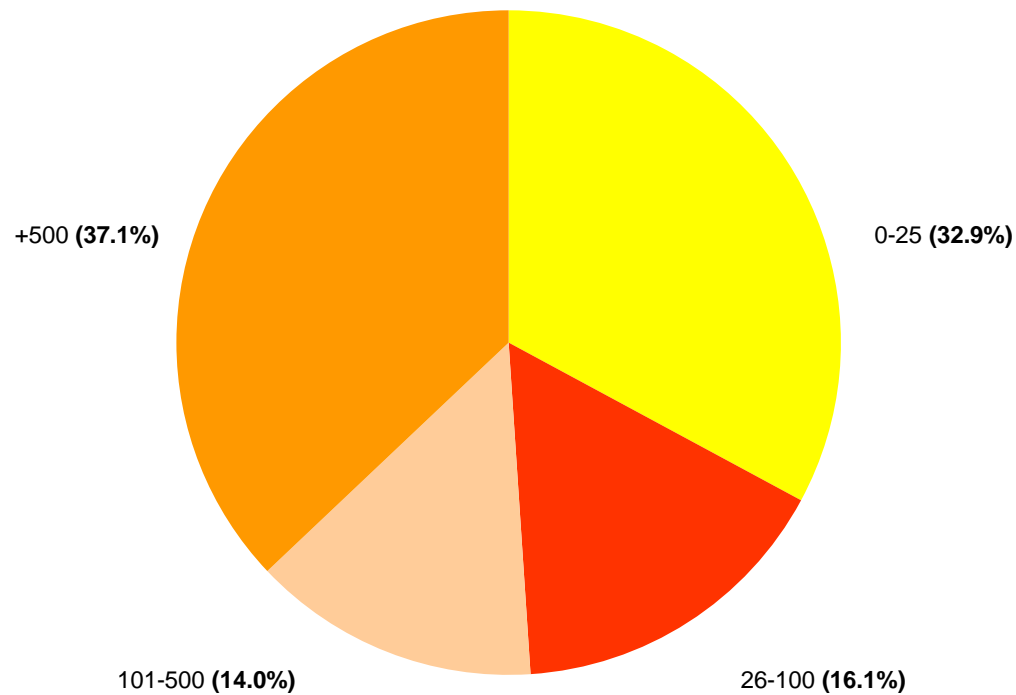
➔ Prevalence of very small and very large firms



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Company size (5 years after graduation)

➔ Prevalence of very small and very large companies is confirmed.



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Type of contract (1 year after graduation)

- ➔ The majority of USI graduates are under an employment contract (89.9%) that is open-ended (69.4%).
- ➔ 78.6% choose to work full time.

Type of contract (5 years after graduation)

- ➔ The majority of USI graduates from 2007 are under an employment contract (92.3%). The percentage of graduates working on an open-ended contract also increases (82.4% compared to 69.4% after 1 year).
- ➔ The number of graduates who choose to work full time decreases (75.9% compared to 78.6% of graduates after 1 year).

Annual income of graduates 1 and 5 years after graduation (average amount, in CHF)

One year after graduation

Place of work: Switzerland

Degree	Average income, CHF
Bachelor	57.000
Master	67.000

Five years after graduation

Place of work: Switzerland

Degree	Average income, CHF
Bachelor	77.500
Master	90.000

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Consistency, job satisfaction and USI

- ⇒ 75.1% of respondents work in a field that is consistent with their field of study at USI. 92.3% state that they are satisfied with their current professional occupation. 5 years after graduation, these percentages amount to 64.7% (consistency) and 92.6% (satisfaction).
- ⇒ In the survey, 82.3% of recent graduates and 86.8% of those who graduated 5 years ago state that they are satisfied with the skills acquired at USI.

An evolution: comparing USI survey results from 2002 to 2013

	2002	2004	2005	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
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 1 yr(2011)	After 5 yrs. (2002)	After 5 yrs. (2003)	After 5 yrs. (2004)	After 5 yrs. (2005)	After 5 yrs. (2006)	After 5 yrs(2007)
% occupied	92.30%	90.50 %	91.20%	95.40%	95.30%	95.40%	93.60%	95.50%	91.70%	90.90%	97.80%	98.30%	98.00%	96.60%	98.10%	95.20%
Time to find work (months) *	1.9	2.7	2.3	2.3	1.5	1.7	1.5	2	3.5	2.7	-	-	-	-	-	-
Average income CHF	65.5	60.2	65.8	61.5	53.7	59.9	58.9	54.2	51.4	57.3	70.3	74.4	78.6	77.1	73.7	74.3
Place of work Ticino	77%	67%	64%	57%	63%	65%	57%	43%	49%	41%	57%	43%	50%	50%	54%	56%
Population	193	484	879	1196	648	498	541	493	541	565	225	261	286	279	312	319
Respondents	131	241	422	559	317	261	251	222	264	318	132	115	150	175	154	166
(Response rate)	67.8	49.8	48	46.7	48.9	52.4	46.4	45	48.8	56.3	58.6	55.8	52.4	62.7	49.3	52