

# Where did the 1998 B.Sc.(Sp.&Hear.Sc.) graduates go ?

## I. Introduction

The information contained in this paper is extracted from the Graduate Employment Survey of 1998 to answer the following questions about Bachelor of Science in Speech & Hearing Sciences graduates : -

- . How were they employed six months after graduation ?
- . Of those who were employed full-time, how long did it take them to secure their first job offer ?
- . In which sectors were they employed ?
- . How much did they receive in salary ?
- . How many job offers did they receive ?
- Who were their employers and what were their job titles ?

## II. Employment Situation in 1998

All the 18 B.Sc.(Sp.&Hear.Sc.) graduates responded to our survey, representing a response rate of 100%. Of these, 94% (or 17 graduates) were in full-time employment within six months of graduation. The remaining 5.6% (or 1 graduate) was still seeking full-time employment at the time of the survey. (Table 1)

	B.Sc.(Sp.&Hear.Sc.)								HKU Overall*							
	Total				Male				Female							
	'98		'97		'98		'97		'98		'97					
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%				
<i>No. of respondents</i>	18	100	18	100	2	100	1	100	16	100	17	100	2383	100	2272	100
<i>F/T employed</i>	17	94.4	18	100	2	100	1	100	15	93.8	17	100	1701	71.4	1829	80.5
<i>P/T employed seeking F/T job</i>	1	5.6	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	6.3	0	0	94	3.9	37	1.6
<i>Unemployed seeking F/T job</i>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	157	6.6	53	2.3
<i>Further studies</i>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	413	17.3	339	14.9
<i>Emigration/home country</i>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0.1	4	0.2
<i>Not seeking F/T job</i>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	15	0.6	10	0.4

Table 1. Employment situation

\* HKU overall refers to the figure for the total HKU population and includes M.B.,B.S. and B.D.S. graduates.

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## III. Time Taken to Secure Employment

Among those graduates who were in full-time employment, 59% secured their first job offer before the end of June. The figure increased to 100% by the end of July. (Figure 1)

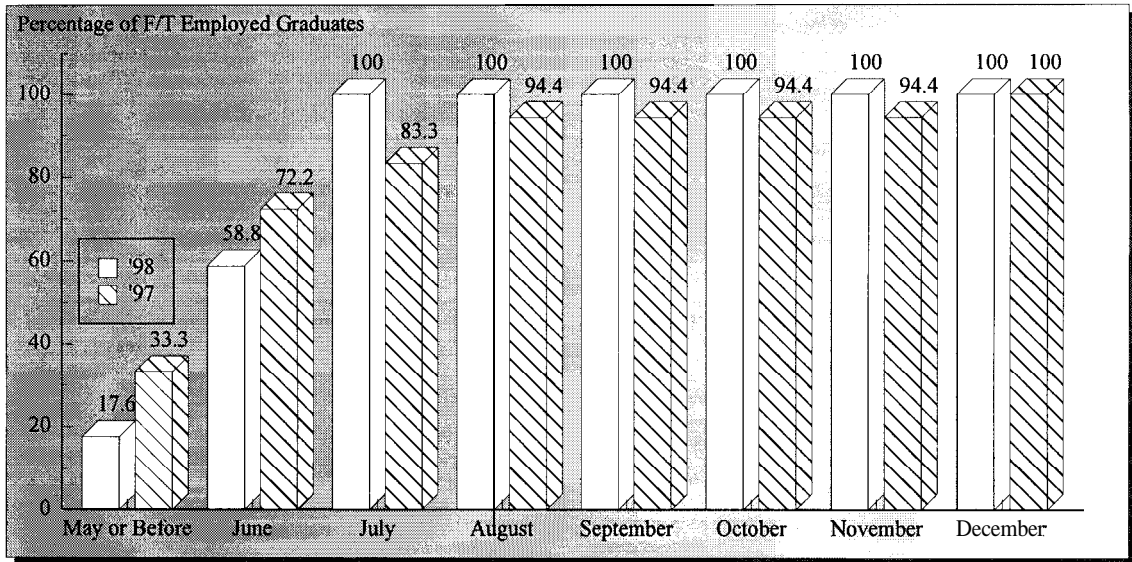


Figure 1. Time taken to secure employment

## IV. Employment Sectors

47% (or 8 graduates) of the B.Sc.(Sp.&Hear.Sc.) graduates were employed in the education sector, followed by 35% (or 6 graduates) in community, social & personal services and 12% (or 2 graduates) in the civil service. Another 5.9% (or 1 graduate) joined the commerce & industry. (Figures 2 & 3)

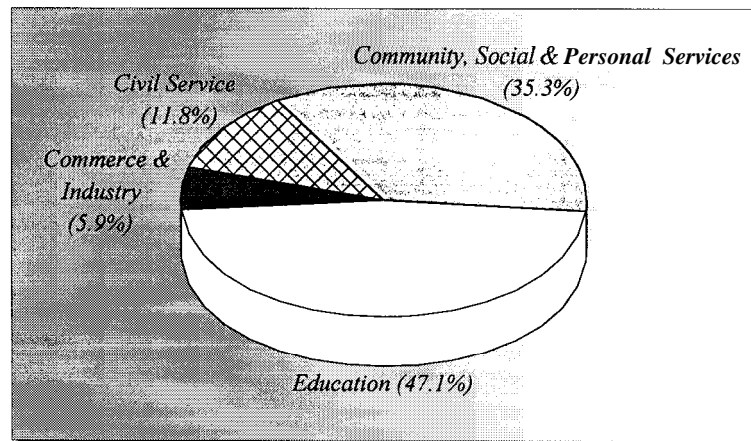


Figure 2. Employment sectors

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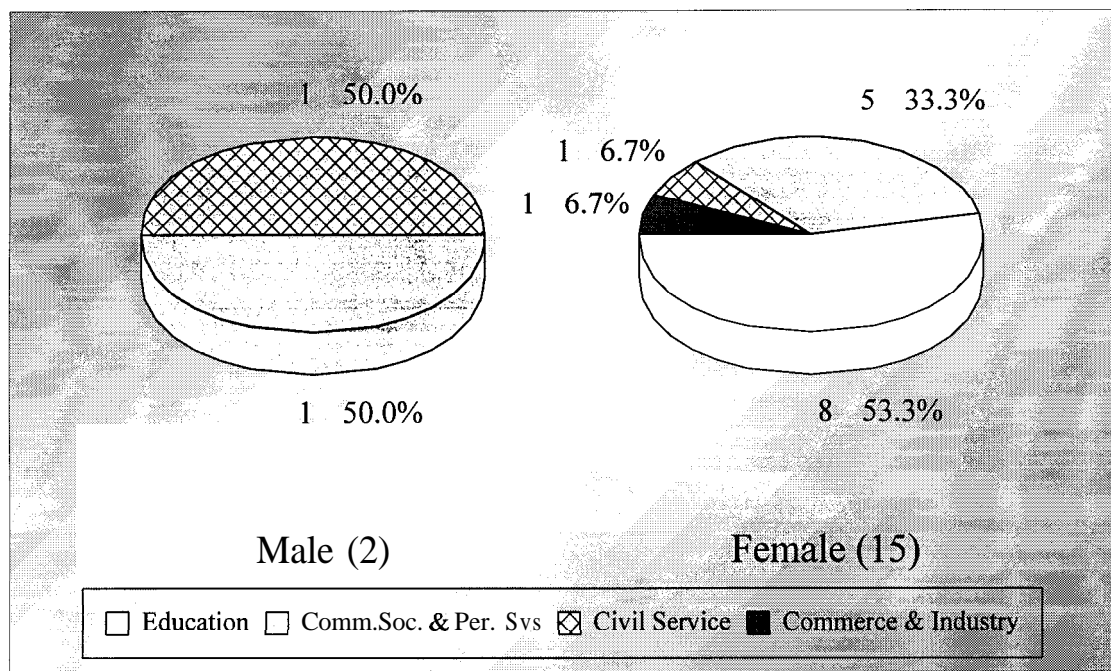


Figure 3. Employment sectors by sex

## V. Basic Salary and Gross Income

In general, the average income of the B.Sc.(Sp.&Hear.Sc.) graduates was higher than that of their predecessors in the previous year. (Table 2)

	<i>Basic Salary</i>				<i>Gross Income</i>			
	B.Sc. (Sp.&Hear.Sc.)		HKU Average*		B.Sc. (Sp.&Hear.Sc.)		HKU Average*	
	'98	'97	'98	'97	'98	'97	'98	'97
<i>Mean</i>	\$22,904	\$21,639	\$15,496	\$15,749	\$23,641	\$22,602	\$16,557	\$17,552
<i>Median</i>	\$23,170	\$21,900	\$12,300	\$12,500	\$23,170	\$21,900	\$13,325	\$14,521
<i>Minimum</i>	\$22,000	\$18,900	\$1,000	\$4,400	\$22,000	\$18,900	\$5,000	\$5,000
<i>Maximum</i>	\$23,190	\$22,000	\$58,000	\$59,000	\$26,993	\$25,513	\$59,000	\$74,000

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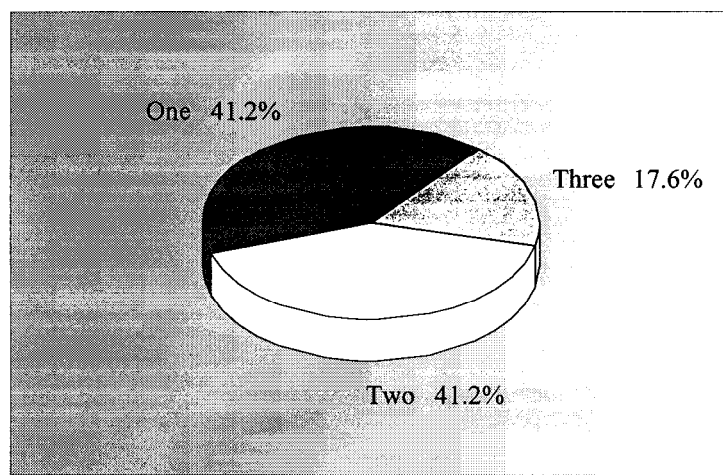
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### **VI. Number of Full-Time Job Offers**

Of those in full-time employment, 59% of the graduates had more than one job offer. 18% reported having received three job offers. On average, each graduate received 1.8 job offers. (Figure 4)



*Figure 4. No. of full-time job offers*

### **VII. Names of employers and Job titles**

All the B.Sc.(Sp.&Hear.Sc.) graduates were employed as speech therapists. The job titles of the graduates in full-time employment and the names of their employers are listed below.

<b><u>Employers :</u></b>	<b><u>Job Titles :</u></b>
<b>CIVIL SERVICE -</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Social Welfare Department</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Speech Therapist</li></ul>
<b>EDUCATION -</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Chan Nam Chong Memorial School</li><li>• Choi Jun School</li><li>• Hong Chi Lions Morninghill School</li><li>• Ko Fook In Memorial School</li><li>• PLK Kuk Yu Lee MO Fan Memorial School</li><li>• The Spastic Association Hong Kong</li><li>• TWGHs Tsui Tsin Tong School</li><li>• Organization's name not reported</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Speech Therapist</li><li>• Speech Therapist</li><li>• Speech Therapist</li><li>• Speech Therapist</li><li>• Speech Therapist</li><li>• Speech Therapist</li><li>• Speech Therapist</li><li>• Speech Therapist</li></ul>

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### COMMUNITY, SOCIAL & PERSONAL SERVICES -

. Heep Hong Society for Handicapped Children	. Speech Therapist
. Hospital Authority	. Speech Therapist
. Hospital Authority	. Speech Therapist
. Hospital Authority	. Speech Therapist
. Hospital Authority	. Speech Therapist
. Hospital Authority	. Speech Therapist

No Response = 2

*Table 3. List of employers and job titles*

Note : Some alumni have indicated willingness to talk to individual students about their work. Their contact telephone number can be obtained from counsellors at CEPC.

**VIII.** Similar information on graduates from other disciplines of study are available for reference in the Careers Library. Please enquire with the CEPC.

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