

Where did the 1998 P. C. Ed. 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 Postgraduate Certificate in Education graduates : -

- How were they employed six months after graduation ?
- Of those who pursued further studies, what programmes did they follow ?
- 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

Out of 81 P.C.Ed. graduates, 72 responded to our survey, representing a response rate of 89%. Of these, 86% (or 62 graduates) were in full-time employment within six months of graduation. 1.4% (or 1 graduate) went on for further studies. Another 13% (or 9 graduates) were still seeking full-time employment at the time of the survey. (Table 1)

	P.C.Ed.								HKU Overall							
	Total				Male				Female				(Postgraduate Diploma/Certificate)			
	'98		'97		'98		'97		'98		'97		'98		'97	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
<i>No. of respondents</i>	72	100	64	100	26	100	20	100	46	100	44	100	357	100	327	100
<i>F/T employed</i>	62	86.1	48	75.0	22	84.6	16	80.0	40	87.0	32	72.7	242	67.8	250	76.5
<i>P/T employed seeking F/T job</i>	6	8.3	5	7.8	2	7.7	1	5.0	4	8.7	4	9.1	12	3.4	13	4.0
<i>Unemployed seeking F/T job</i>	3	4.2	5	7.8	2	7.7	2	10.0	1	2.2	3	6.8	25	7.0	9	2.8
<i>Further studies</i>	1	1.4	2	3.1	0	0	1	5.0	1	2.2	1	2.3	68	19.0	43	13.1
<i>Emigration/home country</i>	0	0	1	1.6	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2.3	2	0.6	2	0.6
<i>Not seeking F/T job</i>	0	0	3	4.7	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	6.8	8	2.2	10	3.1

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III. Further Studies

The one graduate who pursued postgraduate studies took up a master (coursework) programme in education in U.K.. Table 2 shows the academic programme pursued & Table 3 shows the source of finance.

Field of Study	Academic Programme
	Master (Coursework)
Education	1

Table 2. Academic programme

Source of Finance	No. of Graduate
Own Funds	1

Table 3. Source of finance for further studies

IV. Time Taken to Secure Employment

Among those graduates who were in full-time employment, 94% secured their first job offer before the end of August. The figure increased to 100% by the end of December. (Figure 1)

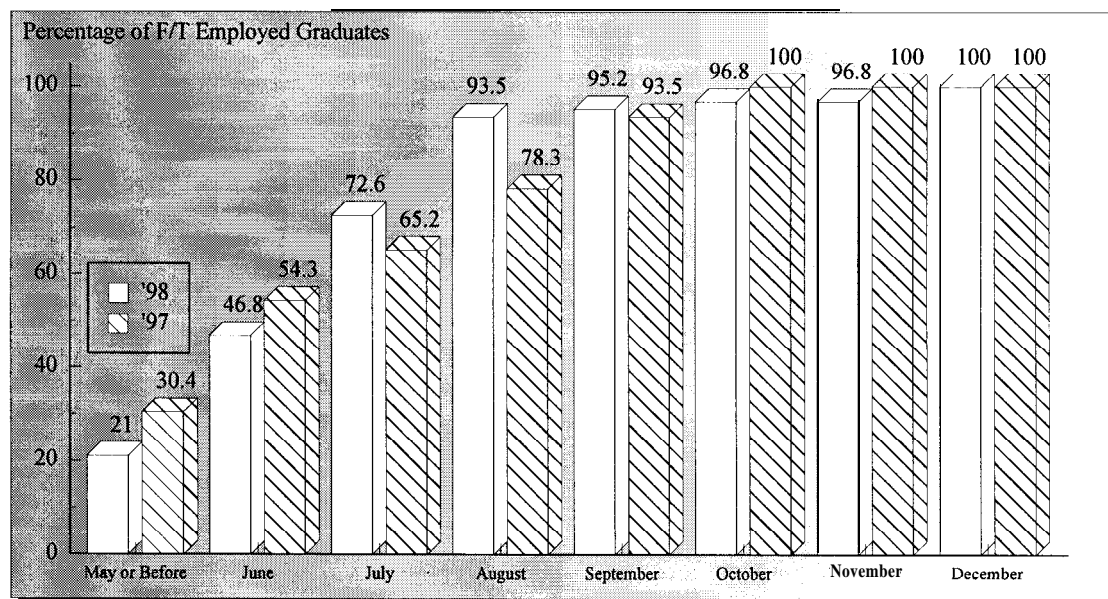
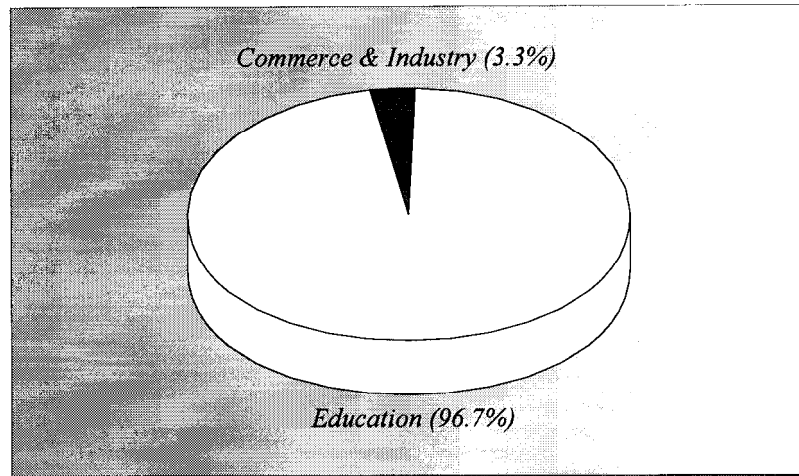


Figure 1. Time taken to secure employment

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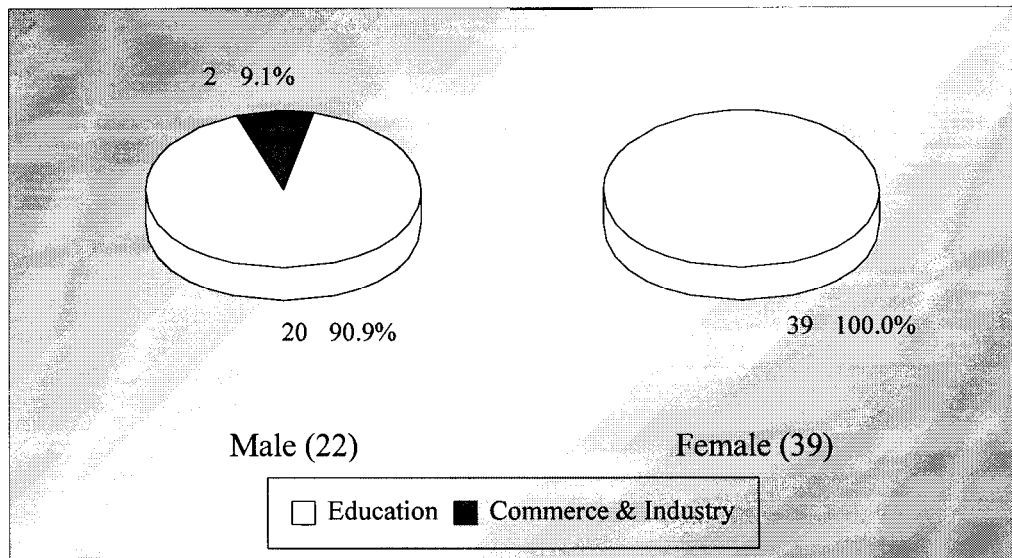
V. Employment Sectors

Most (97% or 59 graduates) of the P.C.Ed. graduates were employed in the education sector, followed by 3.3% (or 2 graduates) in commerce & industry. (Figures 2 & 3)



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Figure 2. Employment sectors



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Figure 3. Employment sectors by sex

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VI. Basic Salary and Gross Income

In general, the average income of the P.C.Ed. graduates was slightly higher than that of their predecessors in the previous year. (Table 4)

	<i>Basic Salary</i>				<i>Gross Income</i>			
	P.C.Ed.		HKU Average*		P.C.Ed.		HKU Average*	
	'98	'97	'98	'97	'98	'97	'98	'97
<i>Mean</i>	\$21,946	\$20,948	\$20,628	\$19,306	\$21,992	\$21,263	\$21,336	\$20,326
<i>Median</i>	\$24,000	\$22,000	\$20,000	\$18,000	\$24,000	\$22,000	\$20,000	\$19,500
<i>Minimum</i>	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$0	\$0	\$11,667	\$10,000	\$0	\$0
<i>Maximum</i>	\$27,000	\$37,000	\$99,999	\$75,000	\$27,000	\$40,833	\$108,332	\$75,000

Table 4. Basic salary and gross income

* HKU average refers to the income received by postgraduate diploma/certificate graduates

VII. Number of Full-Time Job Offers

Of those in full-time employment, 40% of the graduates had more than one job offer. 13% reported having received three to five job offers. On average, each graduate received 1.6 job offers. (Figure 4)

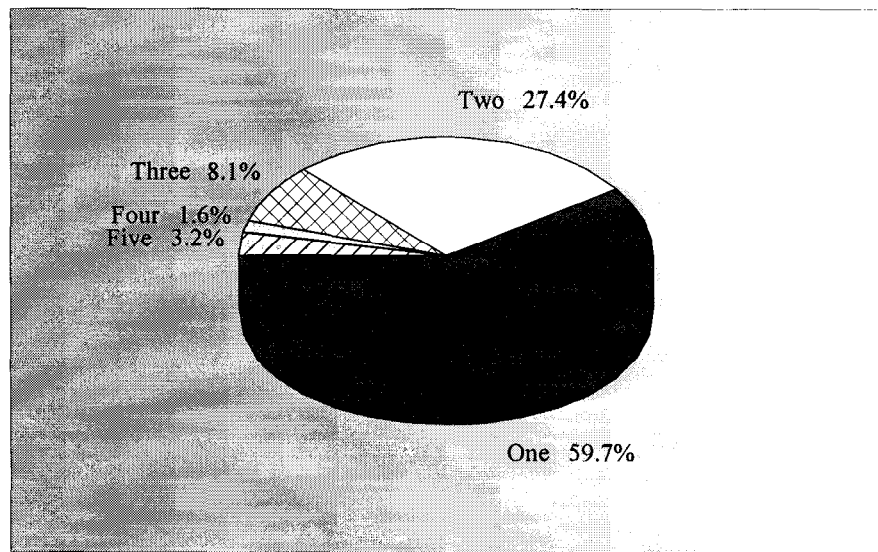


Figure 4. No. of full-time job offers

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VIII. Names of Employers and Job Titles

The job titles of the P.C.Ed. graduates in full-time employment and the names of their employers are listed below.

<u><i>Employers :</i></u>	<u><i>Job Titles :</i></u>
EDUCATION -	
• Baptist Wing Lung Secondary School	• Graduate Master
• Buddhist Man Fung Memorial College	• Graduate Master
• Buddhist Sin Tak College	• Graduate Master
• Buddhist Tai Kwong Middle School	• Certificate Master
• Canossa College	• Certificate Master
• Caritas St Francis Prevocational School	• Graduate Master
• Cheung Chuk Shan Memorial Primary School	• Graduate Master
• Delia Group of School	• Certificate Master
• Fukien Secondary School	• Graduate Master
• German Swiss International School	• Graduate Master
• Good Hope School	• Graduate Master
• Good Hope Secondary School	• Graduate Master
• Ha Kwai Chung Government Secondary School	• Assistant Education Officer
• Ho Fung College	• Graduate Master
• Ho Ngai College	• Graduate Master
• Hon Wah Middle School	• Graduate Master
• Hon Wah Middle School	• Graduate Master
• Hong Kong True Light College	• Certificate Master
• Kei Chi Secondary School	• Certificate Master
• Kowloon Technical School	• Assistant Education Officer
• LST Leung Kau Kui College	• Certificate Master
• LST Leung Kau Kui College	• Supply Teacher
• LST Wong Chung Ming Secondary School	• Certificate Master
• Lung Cheung Government Secondary School	• Assistant Education Officer
• Man Kiu College	• Certificate Master
• Man Kiu College	• Graduate Master
• Marymount Secondary School	• Graduate Master
• Newman College	• Graduate Master
• Our Lady of the Rosary College	• Graduate Master
• PLK No. 1 W H Cheung College	• Graduate Master
• PLK Yu Lee Mo Fun Memorial School	• Certificate Master
• Po On Commercial Association Wan Ho Kan Primary School	• Certificate Master
• Queen's College Old Boys' Association Secondary School	• Supply Teacher
• Sacred Heart Canossian College	• Teacher
• Sha Tin College	• Graduate Master
• SKH Chi Lam Primary School	• Certificate Master
• St Margaret's College	• Graduate Master
• St Stephen's College	• Certificate Master
• St Stephen's College	• Graduate Master
• St Stephen's College	• Graduate Master
• Sun Kei Primary School	• Certificate Master
• Tack Ching Girls' Middle School	• Graduate Master
• Tak Sun College	• Graduate Master

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• The Hong Kong Council of the Church of Christ in China	• Certificate Master
. The Light Middle School of Hong Kong	. Graduate Master
. Tin Ka Ping Secondary School	. Graduate Master
. Toi Shan Association College	• Graduate Master
. TSK Victoria Government School	. Assistant Education Officer
. TWGHs Yau Dek Chi Memorial Primary School	. Certificate Master
. TWGHs Yow Kam Yuen Prevocational School	. Supply Graduate Master
. United Christian College	. Graduate Master
. Yew Chung International School	. Graduate Master
. Yuen Long Lutheran Secondary School	. Graduate Master
. YWCA Hioe Pjo Yoeng College	• Graduate Master
. Organization's name not reported	. Certificate Master
. Organization's name not reported	. Education Teacher
. Organization's name not reported	. Graduate Master
. Organization's name not reported	. Graduate Master
. Organization's name not reported	. Teacher
COMMERCE & INDUSTRY -	
. Vision Publishing Co	. Editor
. Organization's name not reported	. Secretary

No Response = 1

Table 5. 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.

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- IX.** 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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