

Fact sheet

# What comes next? Recent school leavers' post-school destination experiences

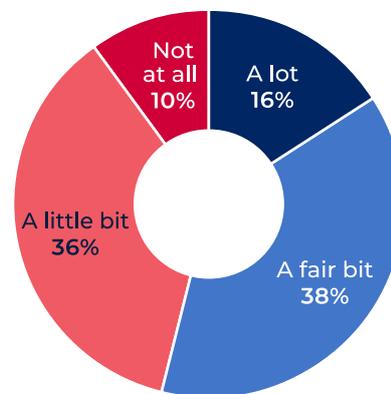
## 2020 NSW Post-School Destinations and Experiences Survey

This fact sheet provides a high-level overview of findings from the 2020 NSW Secondary Students' Post-School Destinations and Experiences Survey. Of those recent school leavers who answered the survey:

- 1,089 Year 12 completers (493 male, 596 female)
- 1,320 early school leavers (840 male, 480 female)

were asked to answer a series of themed questions about their satisfaction with their post-school destinations and how well their school courses and destinations are preparing them for their future careers.

### How well did Year 12 completers' school courses prepare them for their future careers?



90% of Year 12 completers felt that their school courses prepared them at least somewhat for their future careers.

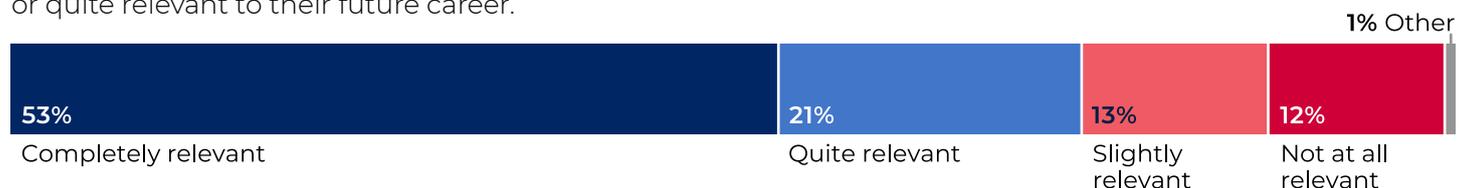
### How satisfied were Year 12 completers who entered education, training or employment?

57% of Year 12 completers were very or extremely satisfied with their current course, apprenticeship, traineeship or job.



### How relevant are Year 12 completers' post-school destinations?

74% of Year 12 completers thought their current course, apprenticeship, traineeship or job was completely or quite relevant to their future career.



**Top 3** careers Year 12 completers expect to have when they are about 30 years old:

1. Professionals (such as education, health and ICT professionals – 55.1%)
2. Community and personal service workers (such as carers, aides and hospitality workers – 6.0%)
3. Managers (such as chief executives and retail managers – 5.4%)

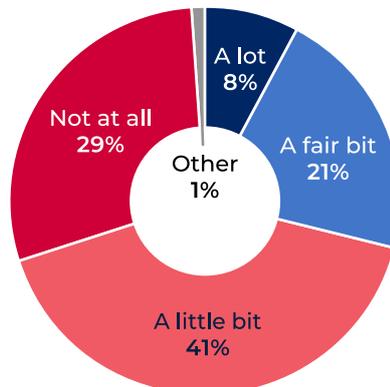
- Female Year 12 completers were more likely to expect to have a job as a professional (61.1% vs. 48.1%) at 30 years of age.
- Male Year 12 completers were more likely to expect to have a job as a technician and trades worker (7.5% vs. 2.3%) at 30 years of age.

**Top 3** careers early school leavers expect to have when they are about 30 years old:

1. Technicians and trades workers (35.1%)
2. Professionals (such as education, health and ICT professionals – 15.0%)
3. Community and personal service workers (such as carers, aides and hospitality workers – 10.8%)

- Female early school leavers were more likely to expect to have a job as a professional (27.1% vs. 7.5%) or community and personal service worker (16.3% vs. 7.3%) at 30 years of age.
- Male early school leavers were more likely to expect to have a job as a technician and trades worker (48.0% vs. 14.4%) at 30 years of age.

## How well did early school leavers' school courses prepare them for their future careers?



70% of early school leavers felt that school courses prepared them at least somewhat for their future careers.

## How satisfied were early school leavers who entered education, training or employment?

71% of early school leavers were very or extremely satisfied with their current course, apprenticeship, traineeship or job.



## How relevant are early school leavers' post-school destinations?

75% of early school leavers thought their current course, apprenticeship, traineeship or job was completely or quite relevant to their future career.



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