

About the survey

The survey we are asking you to take part in is a national survey of everyone who has recently qualified from any university or HE college in the UK. The information you provide will also be very useful to us at Cardiff University to advise our current students about the opportunities that might be available to them.

Of those who obtained qualifications across the UK in **2011/12, 77.4%** responded to the survey. Of these, **67.4%** reported that they were working and a further **7.3%** were working and studying. **13.6%** were undertaking further study only. **7.3%** of leavers were assumed to be unemployed. More results can be found at www.hesa.ac.uk/sfr192.

If we don't hear from you we will try to contact you again, possibly by phone, so please let us know if you change your email address or phone number. If we can't get in touch with you at all, we may try to get information about what you were doing from someone else, either at the University or someone we can reach using the contact information you have previously provided. If you don't want us to do this, or you don't want to give us any information at all, please tell us.

Below are details about what happens to your information after it is sent to us.

A follow-up survey is planned for three years' time so that we can get even more information about the early careers of those with HE qualifications. You might be asked to take part in this follow-up survey as well, which will be carried out by a different organisation. The current survey may also be audited – that is, checked to make sure it has been carried out correctly. If you don't want to take part in the follow-up survey, or to be contacted during an audit, please let us know. You can also let us know that you do not want to take part in the follow-up survey by ticking the box at the end of the questionnaire.

What happens to your information

The information that you provide will be coded by Careers & Employability staff and recorded on the Cardiff Student Information Management System. Paper format questionnaires will be stored securely for a period of three years for audit purposes after which they will be destroyed. The results of the survey will be collated and shared with colleagues in Careers & Employability and your Academic School for the purposes of advising current and prospective students of the opportunities that may be available to them following their studies. Contact and career progression details will be made available to the Alumni Office to help them maintain your relationship with the University and keep you updated on matters of interest.

If you would prefer **not** to be contacted by the Alumni Office please send an email stating your name and student number to alumni@cardiff.ac.uk

(There will be no external disclosure of Individual details.)

We will send information from this form to the Higher Education Statistics Agency (HESA). This data will be linked to other information held about you as a student, including similar information you gave when you enrolled, and details of the qualification you gained. **Your HESA record will not be used in any way that affects you personally.**

The uses that HESA makes of your survey responses are described in detail here:

<http://www.hesa.ac.uk/dlhefqn1314>.