

Graduate Outcomes for NFQ Level 6 & 7 Graduates - Class of 2023



Overview of Graduate Population

6,717

44%

550

There were **6,717** NFQ level 6 & 7 graduates (**43%** female, **57%** male).

44% were studying in
Leinster, 29% were
studying in Munster,
26% were studying in
Connacht/Ulster.

55% of level 6 & 7 degree graduates went into further study. This compares to **61%** for the class of 2022 graduates and **67%** for the class of 2021.

Main Graduate Destination



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- Employment for Level 6 & 7 graduates of 2023 has increased to 40.8% from 36.7% in 2022.
- For those pursuing further study (55.1%), 82.2% are studying for an honours undergraduate degree.
- A total of **2.7%** are seeking employment and **1.4%** are engaged in other activities.





Employment Outcomes

- Of the graduates in employment, 82.9% have permanent or open-ended contracts.
- Most level 6 & 7 graduates are employed in Ireland (91.7%).
- Of the graduates who were willing to share their salaries, 41.5% earned up to €39,999, with 34.9% earning more than €40,000. 23.6% of graduates were not willing to share how much they earned.

Graduate Reflections

 62.0% of graduates said they were 'very likely' or 'likely' to study the course again.

65.1% of level 6 & 7 graduates considered their course 'very relevant' or 'relevant' to their job.

For further information:



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