

Graduate Outcomes for NFQ Level 6 & 7 Graduates - Class of 2022



Overview of Graduate Population

7,676

There were **7,676** NFQ level 6 & 7 graduates (**42.7%** female, **57.3%** male).

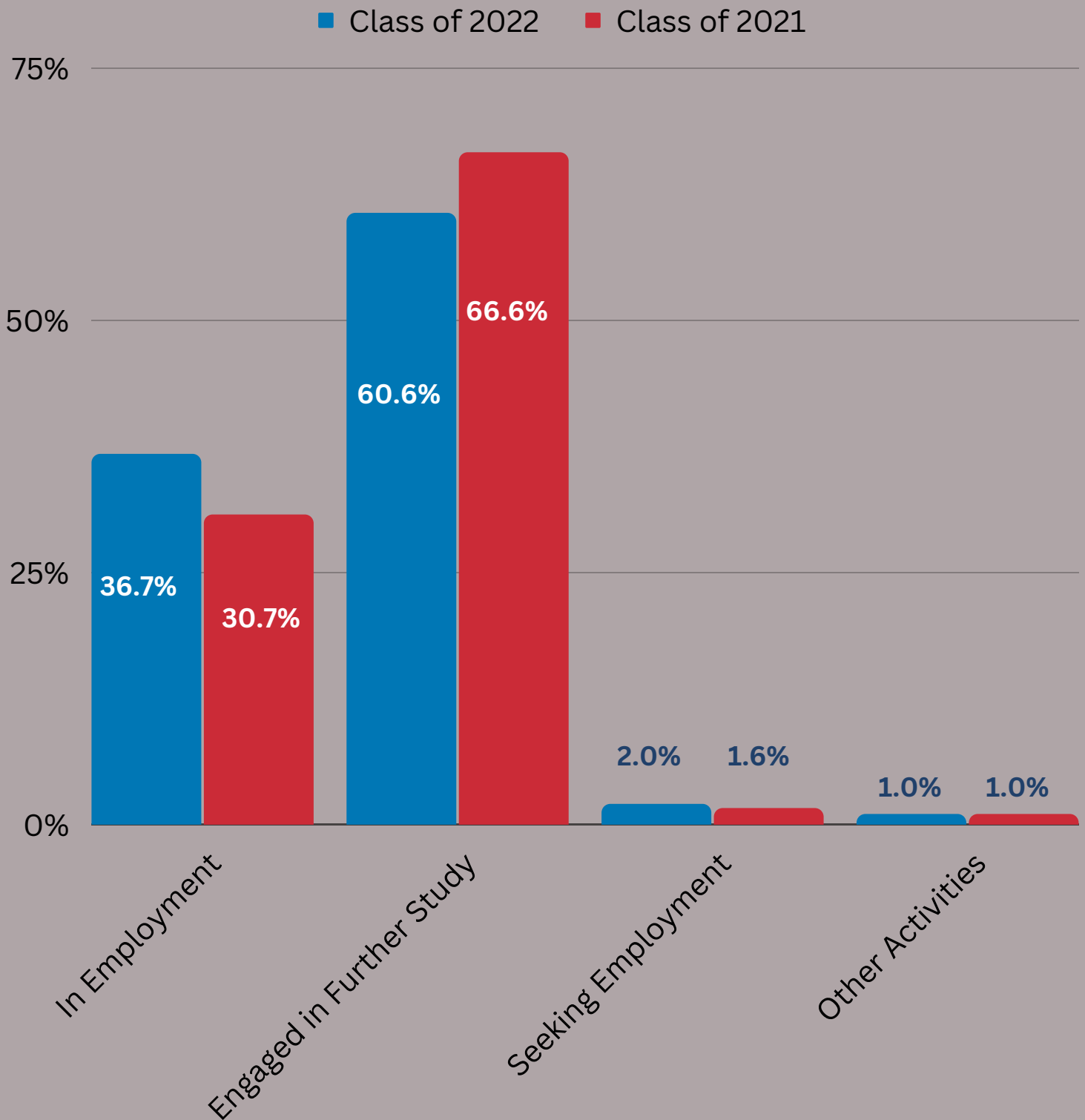
24.8%

The most common area of study was Engineering, Manufacturing & Construction (**24.8%**), followed by Business, Administration & Law (**23.3%**), and Health & Welfare (**14.5%**).

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60.6% of level 6 & 7 degree graduates went into further study. This compares to **66.6%** for the class of 2021 graduates.

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- Employment for Level 6 & 7 graduates of 2022 has increased to **36.7%** from **30.7%** in 2021.
- **60.6%** of 2022 graduates are in further study. This has decreased from **66.6%** in 2021.
- Those 2022 graduates seeking employment (**2%**) and in other activities (**1%**) has held steady compared with 2021.





Employment Outcomes

- Of the graduates in employment, **87.1%** have permanent or open-ended contracts.
- Over 1 in 3 (**35.1%**) level 6 & 7 graduates in employment said their qualification was a formal requirement for their job.
- Of the graduates who were willing to share their salaries, **62.9%** earned up to €39,999, with **37.1%** earning more than €40,000. **23%** of graduates were not willing to share how much they earned.



Graduate Reflections

- **62.1%** of graduates said they were 'very likely' or 'likely' to study the course again.
- **67.9%** of level 6 & 7 graduates considered their course very relevant or relevant to their job.

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