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Selected Provincial Statistics

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Distribution of first degree holders by key demographic characteristics	Total	Prince Edward Island	Nova Scotia	New Brunswick
Sample Size	1,702	92	1,048	562
Discipline cluster				
Commerce and Administration	16%	14%	16%	17%
Applied Arts and Sciences or Professional Programs	25%	10%	20%	35%
Physical and Life Sciences and Mathematics	18%	32%	21%	11%
Humanities, Arts and Social Sciences	42%	44%	44%	37%
Language spoken most often at home				
English	86%	93%	96%	69%
French	11%	3%	1%	29%
Other Languages	3%	3%	3%	2%
Gender				
Female	61%	69%	65%	65%
Male	39%	31%	35%	35%
Parent's education				
Bachelor's degree or above	53%	52%	56%	48%
PSE below Bachelor's level	29%	34%	27%	32%
High school diploma or less	18%	14%	17%	19%
Age at graduation				
30 years or older	4%	2%	4%	4%
25 to 29 years	13%	11%	13%	12%
23 to 24 years	43%	47%	41%	45%
19 to 22 years	41%	40%	42%	39%

Financing the 2007 Degree

Percent of first degree holders who borrowed from government, banks, family members and/or other sources to finance the 2007 degree, and among borrowers, mean total amount borrowed (all sources combined) to finance the 2007 degree, and mean amount owing in 2009	Total	Prince Edward Island	Nova Scotia	New Brunswick
Percent who borrowed (among all first degree holders)	70%	73%	68%	74%
Mean amount borrowed to finance 2007 degree, and amount owing in 2009 (amor	ng first degree hol	ders who borrowed)		
Borrowed by 2007	\$30,767	\$27,395	\$30,271	\$31,994
Owing in 2009	\$16,742	\$15,923	\$15,676	\$18,490

Financing Further Education

Percent of 2007 first degree holders who continued their education within two years after completing their first degree	Total	Prince Edward Island	Nova Scotia	New Brunswick
Sample Size	1,702	92	1,048	562
	59%	66%	59%	59%

Mean total amount borrowed (all sources combined) to finance further education pursued between 2007 and 2009, and mean amount owing in 2009, among first degree holders who borrowed		Prince Edward Island	Nova Scotia	New Brunswick
Percent of continuers who borrowed to finance their further education	55%	56%	51%	61%
Borrowed by 2009 (Since 2007)	\$21,460	\$22,971	\$21,758	\$20,736
Owing in 2009	\$18,572	\$20,324	\$18,841	\$17,813

Financing All Education (2007 degree and/or further education)

Percent of graduates who borrowed (all sources combined) to finance their first degree and/or subsequent education, and total mean amount borrowed by 2009 and total mean amount owing in 2009	Total	Prince Edward Island	Nova Scotia	New Brunswick
Percent who borrowed (among all first degree holders)				
By 2009	73%	75%	72%	75%
Mean amount borrowed to finance first degree and/or subsequent education, and	amount owing in 2	009 (among first de	gree holders who b	orrowed)
Borrowed by 2009	\$37,013	\$36,463	\$36,092	\$38,538
Owing in 2009	\$25,743	\$28,043	\$24,412	\$27,501

Range of total amount borrowed by 2009, all sources, for the 2007 degree, and/or any subsequent education (among those who borrowed)	Total	Prince Edward Island	Nova Scotia	New Brunswick
\$1 to 14,999	22%	15%	24%	19%
\$15,000 to \$29,999	22%	31%	22%	22%
\$30,000 to \$44,999	23%	28%	23%	23%
\$45,000 to \$59,999	16%	13%	14%	20%
\$60,000 or more	17%	13%	17%	16%

Total amount owing, all sources, for the 2007 degree, and/or any subsequent education, as of 2009 (among borrowers only)	Total	Prince Edward Island	Nova Scotia	New Brunswick
\$0	23%	17%	24%	21%
\$1 to 14,999	20%	18%	20%	19%
\$15,000 to \$29,999	19%	22%	18%	19%
\$30,000 to \$44,999	19%	24%	17%	20%
\$45,000 to \$59,999	10%	12%	8%	11%
\$60,000 or more	10%	7%	11%	10%

Financial Status of all First Degree Holders

Distribution of <u>all first degree holders</u> by sum of borrowing (all sources combined), for the 2007 degree and/or any subsequent education	Total	Prince Edward Island	Nova Scotia	New Brunswick
Did not borrow	27%	25%	29%	25%
\$1 to \$29,999	32%	34%	33%	30%
\$30,000 to \$59,999	29%	31%	27%	33%
\$60,000 or more	12%	10%	13%	12%

Distribution of <u>all first degree holders</u> by total amount owing (all sources combined) two years after completion of the 2007 degree, on loans accumulated for the 2007 degree and/or any subsequent education	Total	Prince Edward Island	Nova Scotia	New Brunswick
Owe nothing	44%	39%	47%	40%
\$1 to \$29,999	29%	30%	28%	28%
\$30,000 to \$59,999	20%	26%	18%	24%
\$60,000 or more	7%	6%	8%	8%

Employment Outcomes

Mean annualized full-time earnings in 2009 by discipline cluster of 2007 degree (among those employed full-time)	Total	Prince Edward Island	Nova Scotia	New Brunswick
	874	43	501	330
All First Degree Holders	\$43,628	\$39,175	\$43,499	\$44,405
Discipline Cluster				
Commerce and Administration	\$46,622	\$42,167	\$49,516	\$42,610
Applied Arts and Sciences or Professional Programs	\$50,524	\$52,337	\$50,361	\$50,583
Physical and Life Sciences and Mathematics	\$40,044	\$34,711	\$40,407	\$40,426
Humanities, Arts and Social Sciences	\$37,430	\$35,794	\$37,156	\$38,287

Employment Rate in 2009 among first degree holders	Total	Prince Edward Island	Nova Scotia	New Brunswick
Among those in the Labour Force				
Currently in the Labour Force	1468	81	844	543
Employment Rate	86%	86%	85%	87%

In 2009, proportion of first degree holders who/whose/who are (among those employed full- or part-time)	Total	Prince Edward Island	Nova Scotia	New Brunswick
Occupation usually requires university/management	59%	50%	57%	65%
Working full-time	81%	76%	79%	83%
Working in a permanent position	67%	61%	67%	67%
Report feeling overqualified for their job	24%	17%	26%	22%
Satisfied with job (very or somewhat)	89%	97%	88%	88%
Using skills acquired in 2007 degree to some or a great extent	73%	74%	70%	77%
Reported degree helped in acquiring job to some or a great extent	75%	73%	72%	79%
Job is somewhat or closely related to 2007 degree	72%	67%	70%	76%

Perception of University Experience and Current Situation

Proportion reporting they were satisfied or very satisfied with aspects of program, all first degree holders	Total	Prince Edward Island	Nova Scotia	New Brunswick
Computer Equipment Available - % Very Satisfied	33%	22%	39%	26%
Computer Equipment Available - % Satisfied	59%	68%	54%	65%
Class Size in General - % Very Satisfied	50%	62%	51%	46%
Class Size in General - % Satisfied	46%	39%	44%	51%
Availability of Professors Outside Scheduled Class Time - % Very Satisfied	49%	60%	50%	46%
Availability of Professors Outside Scheduled Class Time - % Satisfied	47%	40%	46%	49%
Quality of Teaching - % Very Satisfied	38%	47%	40%	34%
Quality of Teaching - % Satisfied	57%	51%	56%	59%

Proportion of first degree holders reporting skills were developed to some or a great extent all first degree holders	Total	Prince Edward Island	Nova Scotia	New Brunswick
Writing Skills - % Great Extent	49%	55%	48%	48%
Writing Skills - % Some Extent	42%	41%	43%	41%
Math Skills - % Great Extent	25%	31%	23%	26%
Math Skills - % Some Extent	35%	37%	37%	33%
Speaking or Communication Skills - % Great Extent	49%	52%	48%	50%
Speaking or Communication Skills - % Some Extent	43%	44%	43%	43%
Ability to Think Independently or Critically - % Great Extent	63%	69%	62%	63%
Ability to Think Independently or Critically - % Some Extent	34%	31%	34%	34%
Decision-making Abilities - % Great Extent	46%	53%	45%	46%
Decision-making Abilities - % Some Extent	47%	41%	47%	47%

Among first degree holders, proportion of graduates who/who are	Total	Prince Edward Island	Nova Scotia	New Brunswick
Satisified or very satisfied with employment situation	57%	58%	56%	60%
Satisfied or very satisfied with current level of education	80%	79%	80%	85%
Satisfied or very satisfied with financial situation	40%	36%	38%	46%
Would choose same field of study	74%	82%	73%	75%
Thought their education was worth or well worth the time invested	83%	86%	85%	82%
Thought their education was worth or well worth financial investment	69%	76%	71%	68%

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Distribution of 2007 graduates by key demographic characteristics	Total	Prince Edward Island	Nova Scotia	New Brunswick
Sample Size	3,380	175	2,065	1,140
Discipline Cluster				
Commerce and Administration	16%	13%	16%	18%
Applied Arts and Sciences or Professional Programs	43%	35%	40%	45%
Physical and Life Sciences and Mathematics	12%	22%	13%	8%
Humanities, Arts and Social Sciences	29%	29%	31%	29%
Language spoken most often at home				
English	88%	96%	95%	74%
French	8%	2%	2%	22%
Other Languages	4%	2%	3%	4%
Gender				
Female	63%	69%	62%	63%
Male	37%	31%	38%	37%
Parent's Education				
Bachelor's degree or above	48%	47%	51%	42%
PSE below Bachelor's level	30%	29%	28%	34%
High school diploma or less	22%	24%	22%	24%
Age at Graduation				
30 years or older	25%	26%	27%	23%
25 to 29 years	21%	33%	22%	20%
23 to 24 years	29%	21%	27%	32%
19 to 22 years	25%	20%	24%	25%

Financing the 2007 Degree

Percent of 2007 graduates who borrowed from government, banks, family members and/or other sources to finance the 2007 degree, and among borrowers, mean total amount borrowed (all sources combined) to finance the 2007 degree, and mean amount owing in 2009	Total	Prince Edward Island	Nova Scotia	New Brunswick
Percent who borrowed (among all 2007 graduates)	61%	70%	59%	63%
Mean amount borrowed to finance 2007 degree, and amount owing in 2009	among all graduate	es who borrowed)		
Borrowed by 2007	\$30,123	\$34,325	\$30,274	\$29,146
Owed by 2009	\$17,363	\$23,202	\$16,929	\$17,169

Financing Further Education

Percent of all graduates who continued their education within two years after completing their 2007 degree	Total	Prince Edward Island	Nova Scotia	New Brunswick
Sample Size	3,380	175	2,065	1,140
	48%	50%	47%	49%

Mean total amount borrowed (all sources combined) to finance further education pursued between 2007 and 2009, and mean amount owing in 2009, among all graduates who borrowed	Total	Prince Edward Island	Nova Scotia	New Brunswick
Percent of continuers who borrowed to finance their further education	48%	49%	48%	48%
Borrowed by 2009 (Since 2007)	\$21,843	\$21,137	\$22,372	\$21,035
Owed as of 2009	\$18,875	\$18,533	\$19,570	\$17,592

Financing All Education (2007 degree and/or further education)

Percent of all graduates who borrowed (all sources combined) to finance the 2007 degree and/or subsequent education, and total mean amount borrowed by 2009 and total mean amount owing in 2009	Total	Prince Edward Island	Nova Scotia	New Brunswick	
Percent who borrowed (among all graduates)					
By 2009	65%	74%	65%	67%	
Mean amount borrowed to finance the 2007 degree and/or subsequent education, and amount owing in 2009 (among all graduates who borrowed)					
Borrowed by 2009	\$35,335	\$39,204	\$35,468	\$34,447	
Owing in 2009	\$24,793	\$29,015	\$24,755	\$24,152	

Range of total amount borrowed by 2009, all sources, for the 2007 degree, and/or any subsequent education (among borrowers only)	Total	Prince Edward Island	Nova Scotia	New Brunswick
\$1 to 14,999	27%	22%	29%	24%
\$15,000 to \$29,999	25%	32%	25%	24%
\$30,000 to \$44,999	21%	21%	20%	23%
\$45,000 to \$59,999	13%	12%	11%	16%
\$60,000 or more	14%	13%	15%	13%

Total amount owing, all sources, for the 2007 degree, and/or any subsequent education, as of 2009 (among borrowers only)	Total	Prince Edward Island	Nova Scotia	New Brunswick
\$0	27%	24%	29%	26%
\$1 to 14,999	22%	20%	22%	21%
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\$30,000 to \$44,999	15%	16%	14%	17%
\$45,000 to \$59,999	9%	8%	7%	9%
\$60,000 or more	9%	8%	10%	8%

Financial Status of All Graduates (borrowers and non-borrowers)

Distribution of <u>all graduates</u> by sum of borrowing (all sources combined), for the 2007 degree and/or any subsequent education	Total	Prince Edward Island	Nova Scotia	New Brunswick
Did not borrow	34%	26%	36%	33%
\$1 to \$29,999	34%	40%	34%	32%
\$30,000 to \$59,999	23%	25%	20%	26%
\$60,000 or more	9%	10%	10%	9%

Distribution of <u>all graduates</u> by total amount owing (all sources combined) two years after completion of the 2007 degree, on loans accumulated for the 2007 degree and/or any subsequent education	Total	Prince Edward Island	Nova Scotia	New Brunswick
Owe nothing	52%	43%	54%	50%
\$1 to \$29,999	27%	32%	26%	27%
\$30,000 to \$59,999	15%	18%	14%	18%
\$60,000 or more	6%	7%	6%	6%

Employment Outcomes

Mean annualized full-time earnings in 2009 by discipline cluster of 2007 degree (among those employed full-time)	Total	Prince Edward Island	Nova Scotia	New Brunswick
	1,789	91	1,078	620
All 2007 graduates	\$49,110	\$46,027	\$50,204	\$47,661
Discipline Cluster				
Commerce and Administration	\$49,515	\$44,922	\$52,476	\$45,617
Applied Arts and Sciences or Professional Programs	\$55,188	\$55,568	\$56,594	\$52,975
Physical and Life Sciences and Mathematics	\$41,742	\$37,951	\$42,077	\$42,111
Humanities, Arts and Social Sciences	\$39,379	\$35,386	\$40,364	\$38,120

Employment Rate in 2009 among all 2007 graduates	Total	Prince Edward Island	Nova Scotia	New Brunswick
Among those in the Labour Force				
Currently in the Labour Force	3,018	160	1,826	1,032
Employment Rate	88%	86%	88%	88%

In 2009, proportion of all 2007 graduates who/whose/who are (among those employed full- or part-time)	Total	Prince Edward Island	Nova Scotia	New Brunswick
Occupation usually requires university/management	67%	63%	68%	71%
Working full-time	85%	82%	85%	86%
Working in permanent position	69%	66%	69%	68%
Report feeling overqualified for their job	21%	18%	22%	20%
Satisfied with job (very or somewhat)	91%	96%	91%	91%
Using skills acquired in 2007 degree (somewhat/great extent)	80%	78%	80%	82%
Reported degree helped in acquiring job to some or a great extent	76%	75%	76%	79%
Job is somewhat or closely related to 2007 degree	80%	75%	81%	83%

Perception of University Experience and Current Situation

Proportion reporting they were satisfied or very satisfied with aspects of program, all 2007 graduates	Total	Prince Edward Island	Nova Scotia	New Brunswick
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Math Skills - % Great Extent	22%	25%	20%	24%
Math Skills - % Some Extent	32%	38%	32%	32%
Speaking or Communication Skills - % Great Extent	47%	51%	46%	47%
Speaking or Communication Skills - % Some Extent	44%	43%	44%	44%
Ability to Think Independently or Critically - % Great Extent	61%	65%	61%	60%
Ability to Think Independently or Critically - % Some Extent	35%	33%	35%	35%
Decision-making Abilities - % Great Extent	45%	51%	45%	44%
Decision-making Abilities - % Some Extent	47%	41%	47%	47%

Among all 2007 graduates, proportion of graduates who / who are	Total	Prince Edward Island	Nova Scotia	New Brunswick
Satisfied or very satisfied with employment situation	64%	64%	64%	66%
Satisfied or very satisfied with current level of education	85%	85%	85%	86%
Satisfied or very satisfied with financial situation	48%	45%	48%	51%
Would choose same field of study	78%	83%	78%	78%
Thought their education was worth or well worth the time invested	84%	86%	86%	83%
Thought their education was worth or well worth financial investment	73%	76%	75%	72%