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LUIMNIGH

# CAREERS SERVICE

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**First Destinations Report**

**Class of 2011**

**School of the Built Environment**

## First Destinations Survey – Graduates 2011

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# School of the Built Environment

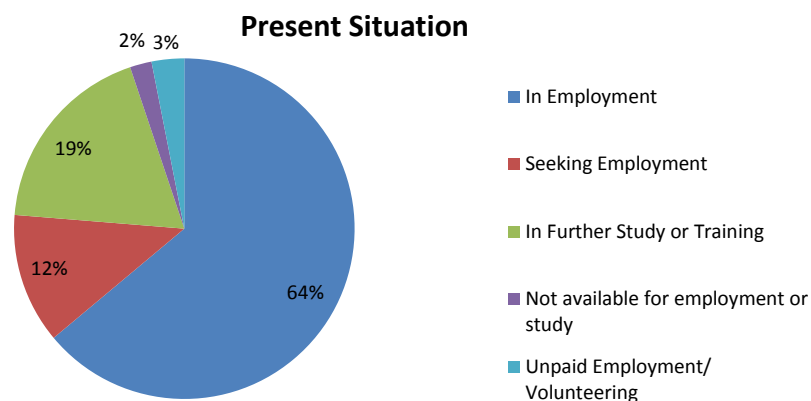
## 1.0 Introduction

This report presents detailed information on the First Destinations of Limerick Institute of Technology, School of the Built Environment graduates of 2011. The results provide an important indication of graduate trends over a period of remarkable change in the Irish economy, most particularly for the Construction Industry.

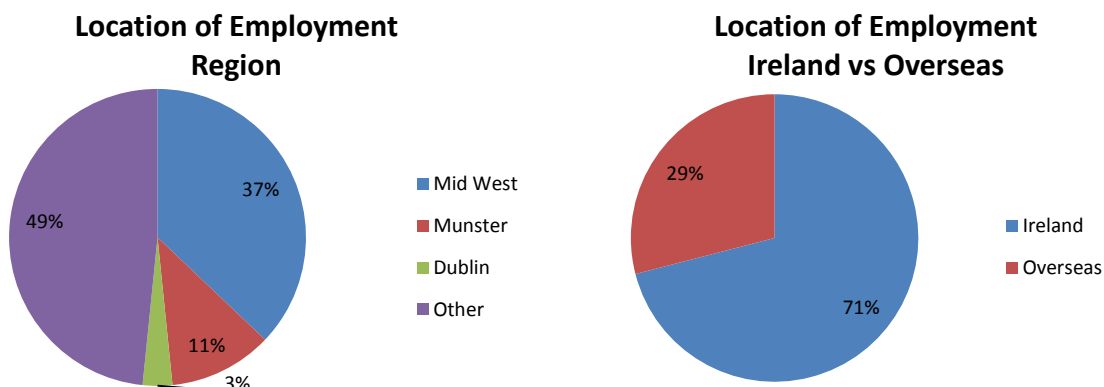
The results from the School of the Built Environment, reflect the employment and further study patterns of 229 graduates of full-time Higher Certificate (Level 6), Bachelor Degree (Level 7) and Honours Degree (Level 8) programmes. The rate of response was 42%.

## 1.1 Overview of Results

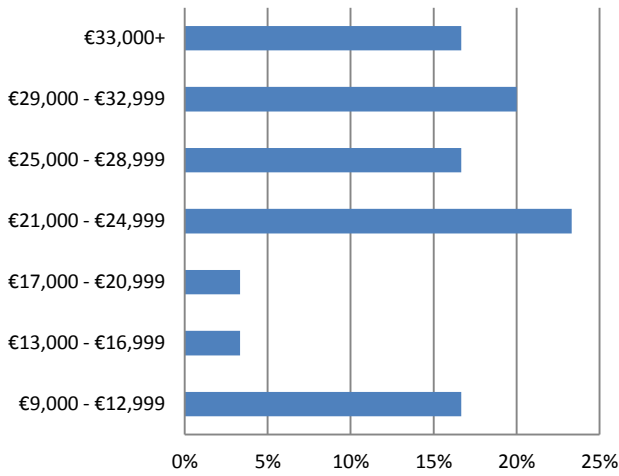
In summary, 64% of graduates of courses within the School are in employment, 19% in further study, 3% have secured an unpaid internship and 12% were seeking employment at the time of the survey. Comparing this to the figures from the last number of years, the statistics appear to be holding steady with only slight fluctuations from the 2010 figures when 62% of graduates were in employment and 16% seeking employment. Perhaps this is reflecting the slightly more buoyant jobs market this year. The numbers seeking employment has fallen by 4% since 2010 which is the first fall in this number since 2008.



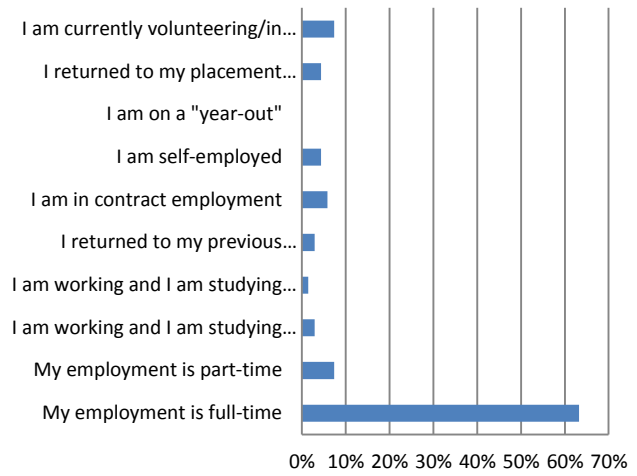
Of the class of 2011 there remains a high number securing employment overseas. 29% of LIT graduates from the School of the Built Environment have travelled overseas to gain employment, holding steady to the 27% who sought employment overseas in 2010. Graduates are gaining employment in countries such as Canada, the US, New Zealand, Australia and the UK.



### Salary



### Nature of Employment

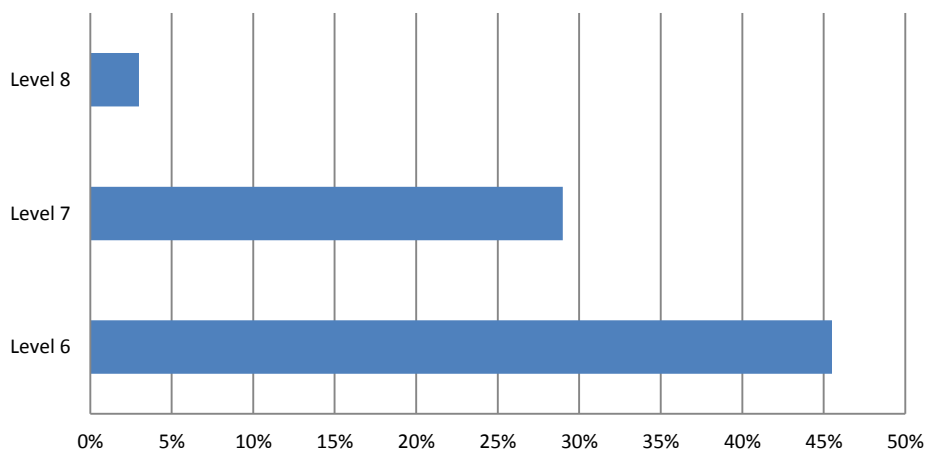


Of those who have secured employment from the School of the Built Environment, 17% have continued to enjoy starting salaries in excess of €33,000 per annum. In fact, the majority of graduates (77%) across the school are achieving starting salaries of €21,000+ in line with average salaries in other disciplines.

### 1.2 Progression within the Institute

There is an environment of progression within LIT and this is reflected in the statistics in this report. A large proportion of students of Level 6 & Level 7 students continue in the Institute. This figure has increased year on year since 2007.

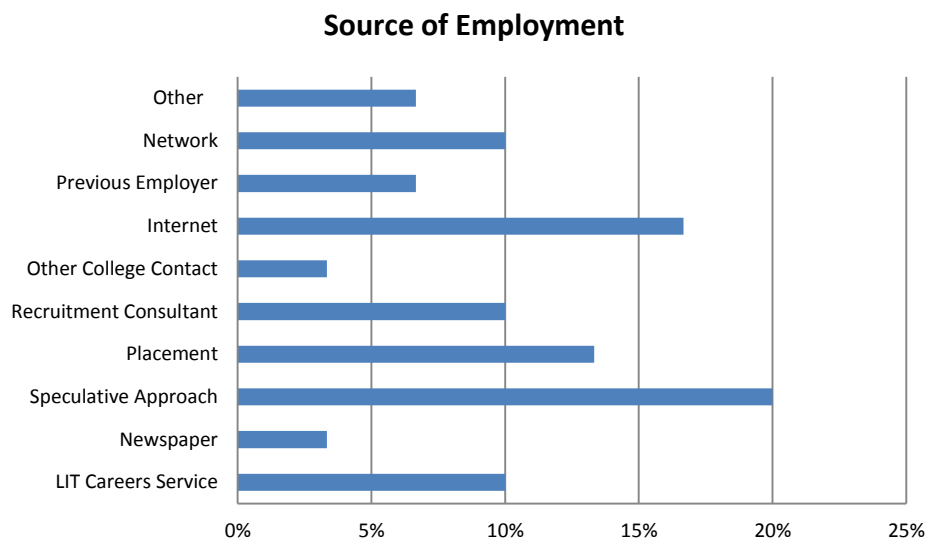
#### Progression within the Institute School of the Built Environment



### 1.3 How do Graduates source employment?

In terms of sourcing their graduate employment, graduates have yet again been resourceful and one of the most common sources of graduate employment is by making speculative approaches to employers, a trend reflected across all Schools. 20% of graduates sourced their employment by approaching employers directly while a further 24% stated the source as “other” i.e. through friends, family and networks.

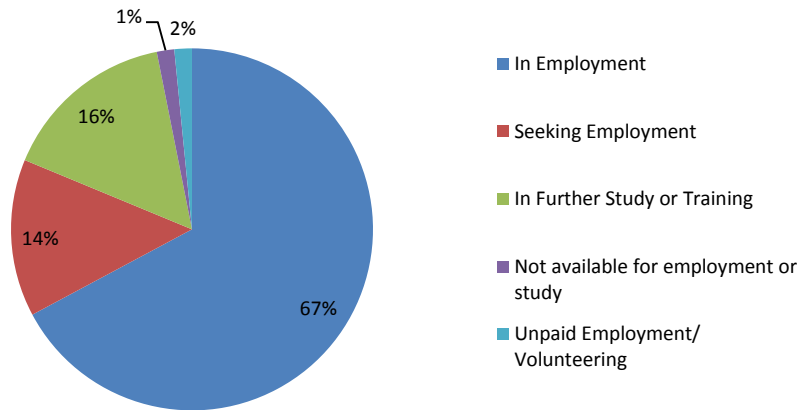
13% of graduates returned to their placement employer, underlining the value of this relationship and a further 10% sourced employment through the LIT Careers Service.



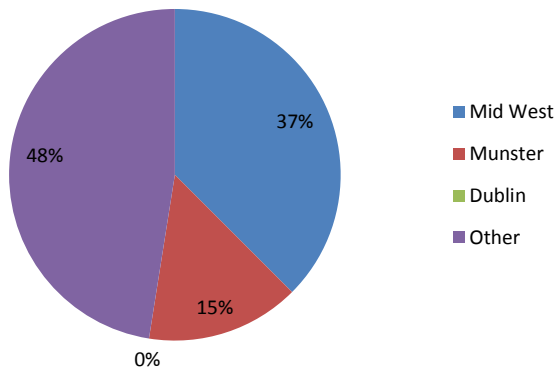
# All Programmes Overview

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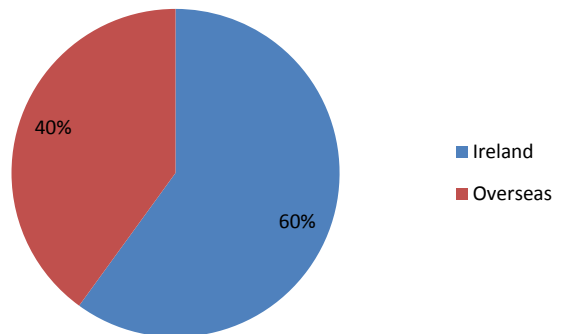
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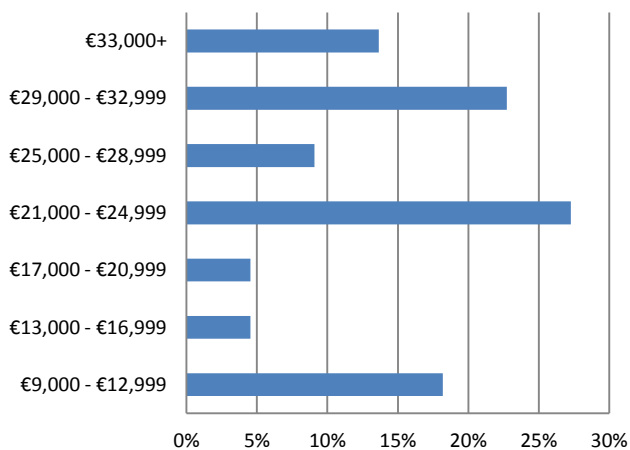
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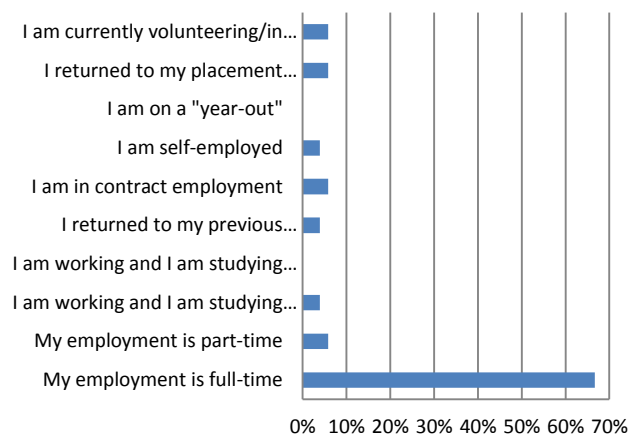
**Location of Employment Ireland vs Overseas**



**Salary**



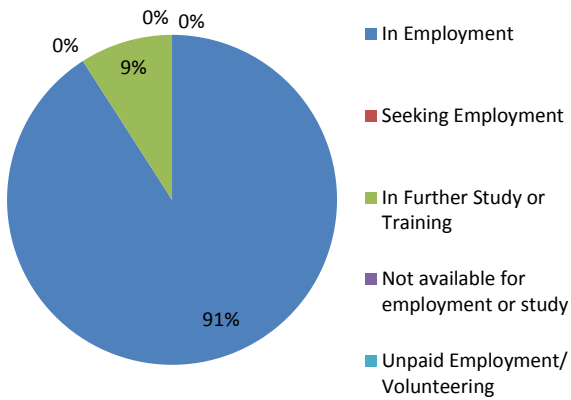
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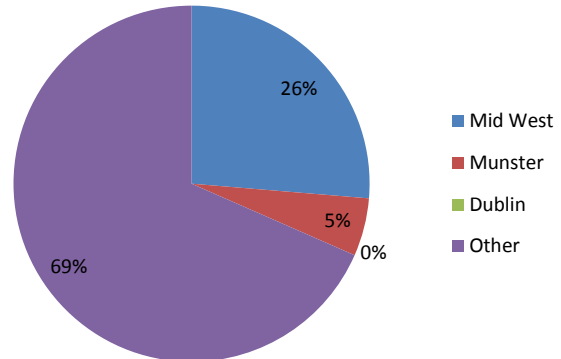
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## 2.1 B.Sc. (Hons) in Quantity Surveying

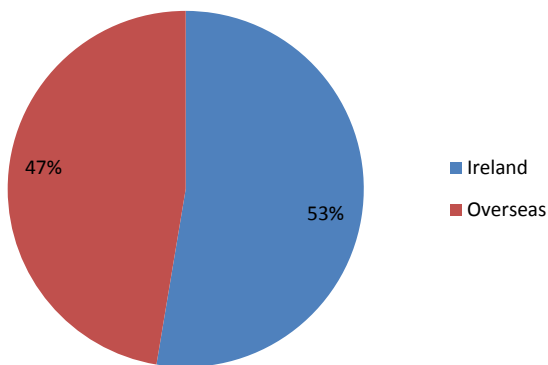
### Present Situation



### Location of Employment Region



### Location of Employment Ireland vs Overseas



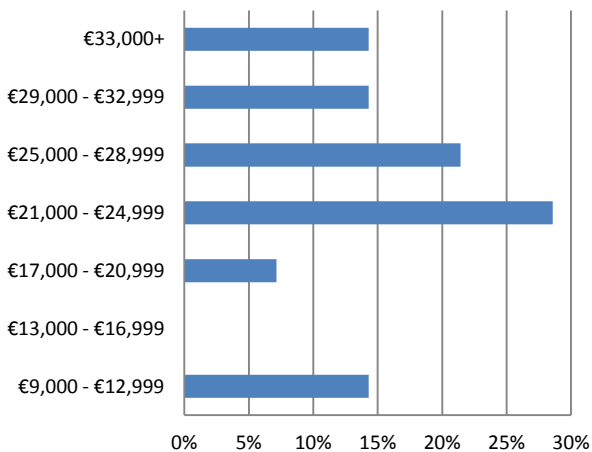
### Employers Include:

- John Sisk & Son Ltd.
- Sepam
- JJ Rhatigan
- Tom McNamara & Partners
- Murphy Ltd.
- Morrison Utility Services

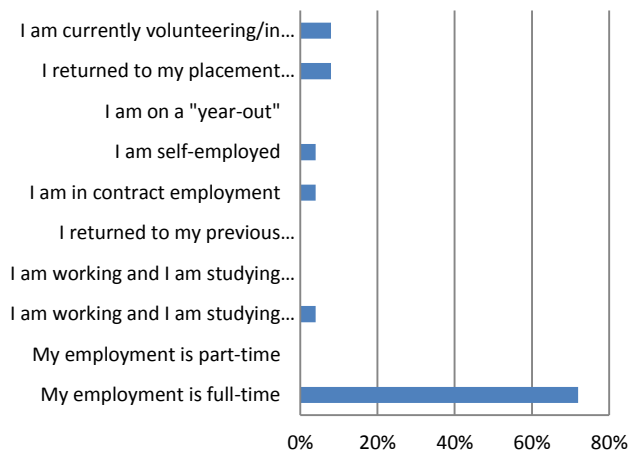
### Job Titles include:

- Quantity Surveyor
- Contracts Administrator
- Project Engineer

### Salary



### Nature of Employment

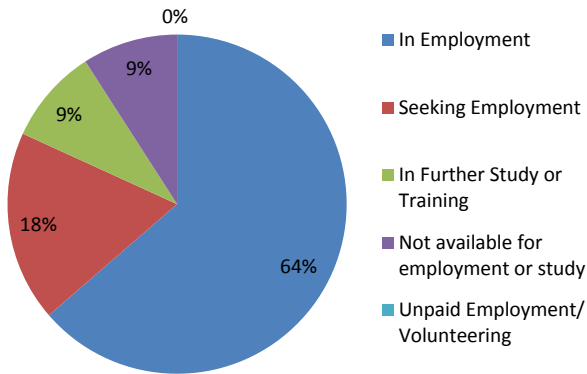


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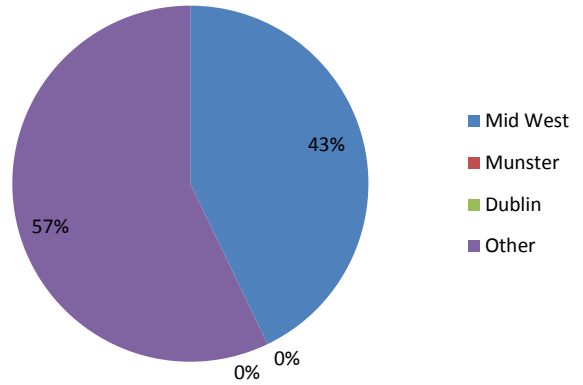
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B.Sc. (Hons) Construction Management

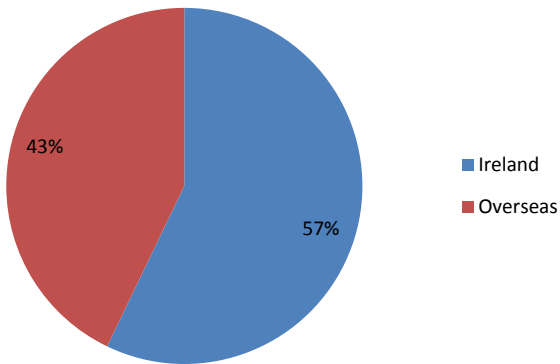
Present Situation



Location of Employment Region



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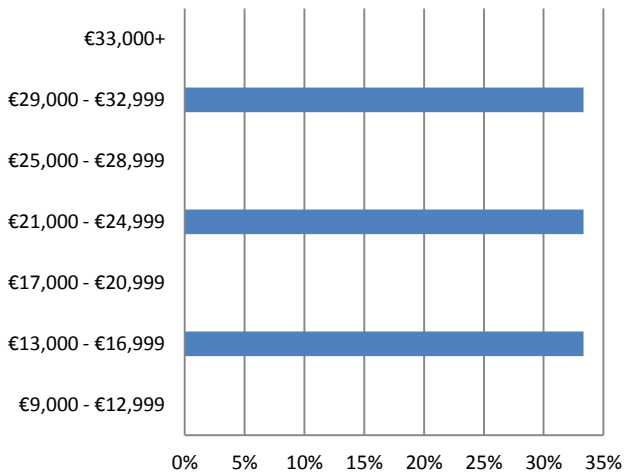
Employers Include:

- NRS Group
- Construction Solutions Ltd.
- Kelly Contractors

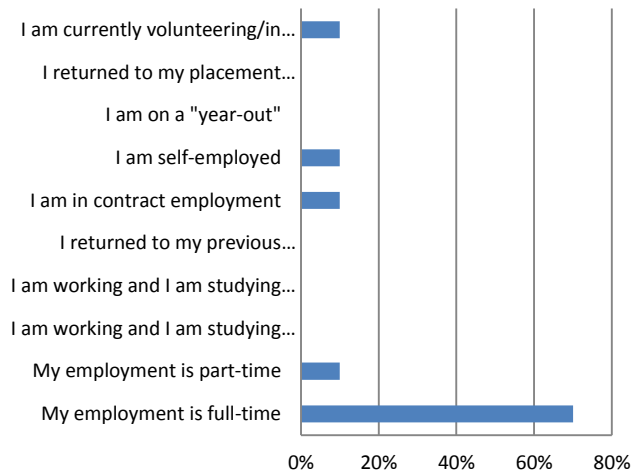
Job Titles include:

- Assistant Engineer
- Site Agent
- Contracts Manager
- Site Engineer

Salary



Nature of Employment



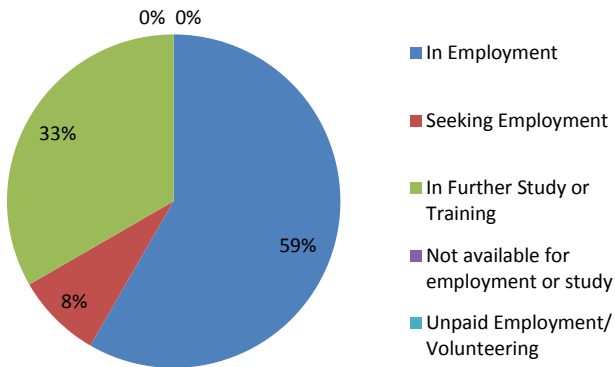
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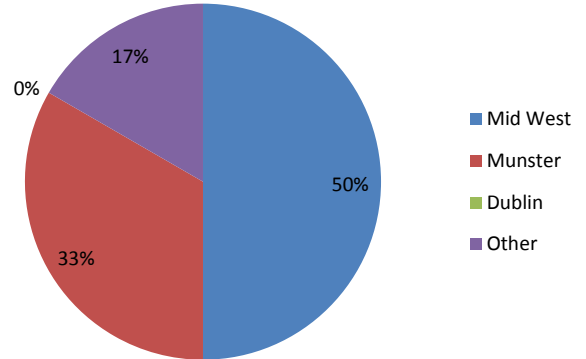
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B.Sc. (Hons) Property Valuation & Management

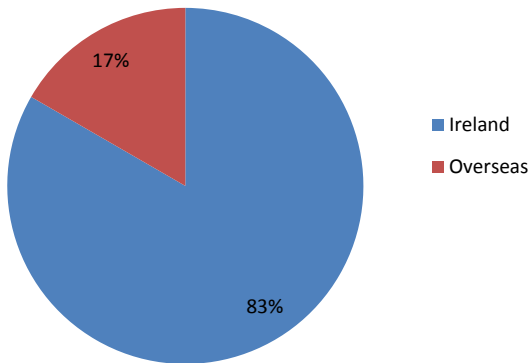
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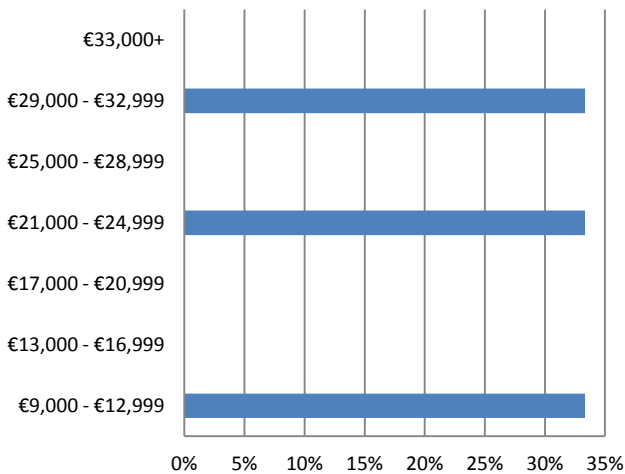
Employers Include:

- Grant Thornton
- Savills
- Remax

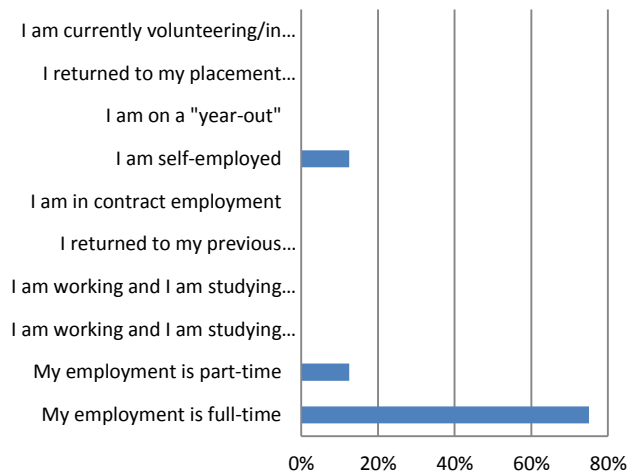
Job Titles include:

- Property Administrator
- Buyers Agent
- Surveyor
- Property Manager

Salary



Nature of Employment

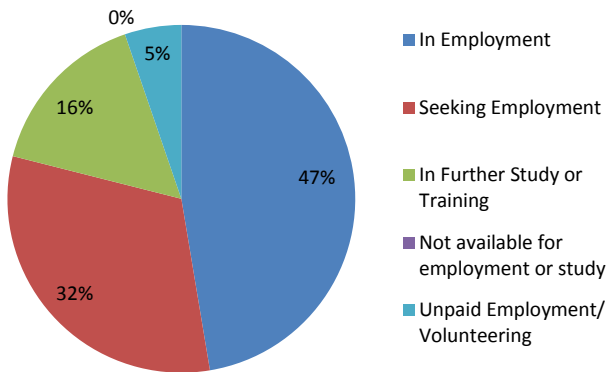


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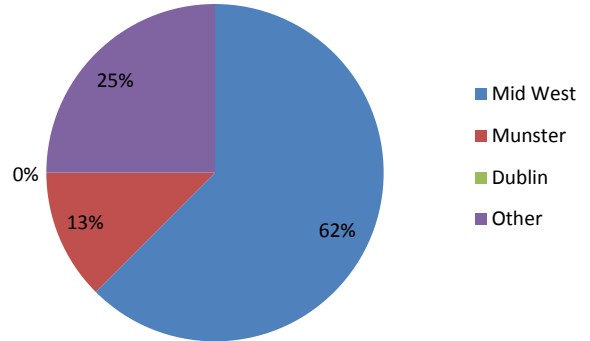
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B.Sc. in Management (Craft) Level 7

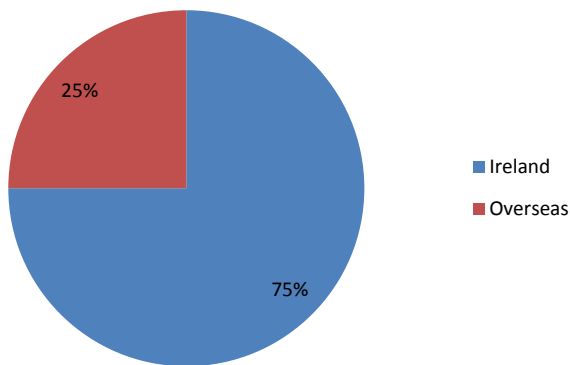
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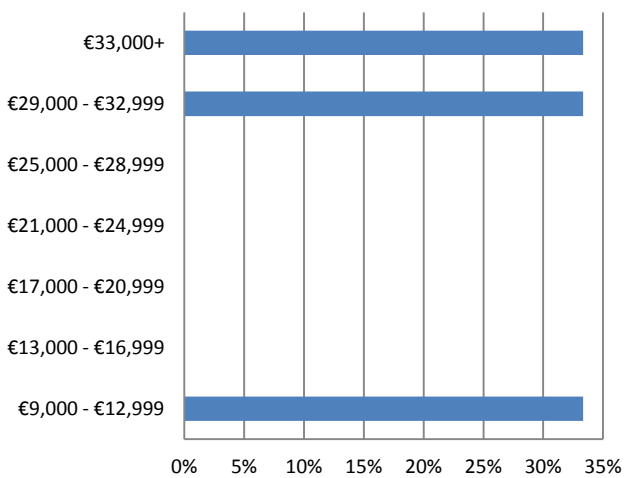
Employers Include:

- Vistakon
- Hi Tech Drilling
- Aughinish Alumina
- Bausch & Lombe
- Ennis Town Council

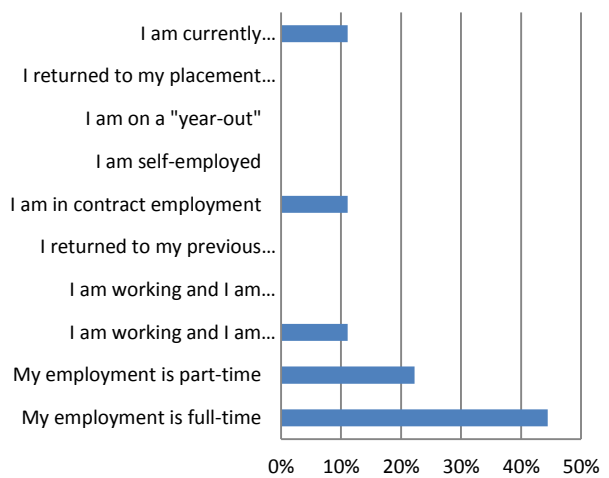
Job Titles include:

- Architectural Technician
- Process Technician
- Chemical Process Control Operator
- ICA Technician

Salary



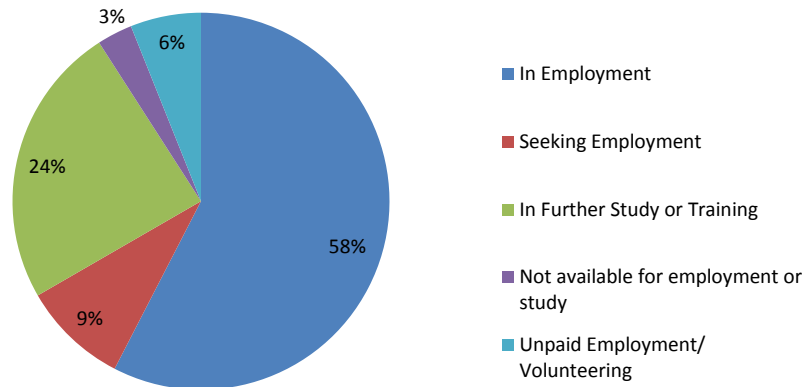
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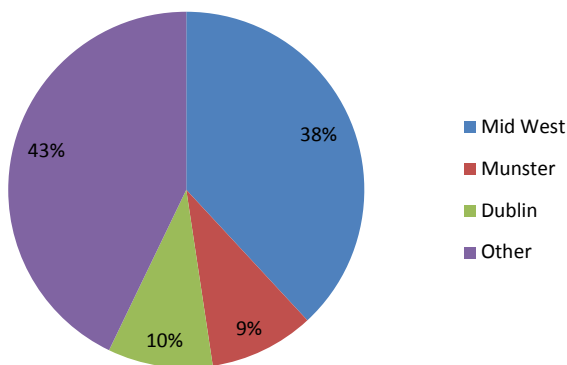
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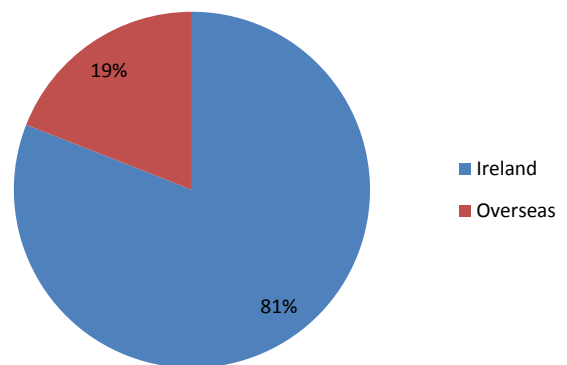
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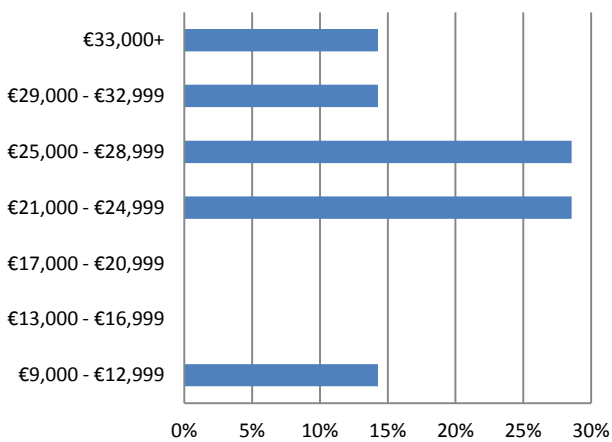
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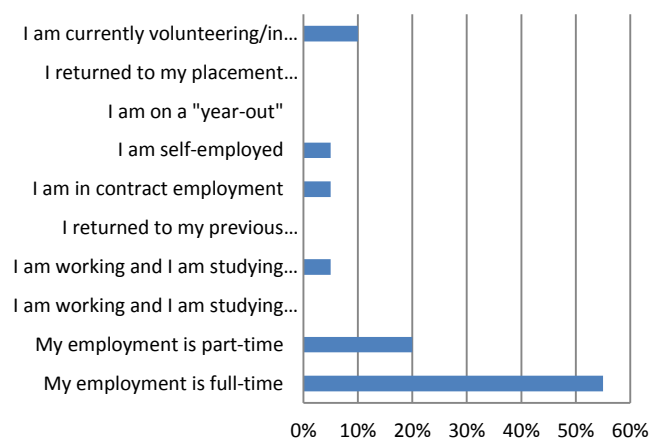
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**Salary**



**Nature of Employment**

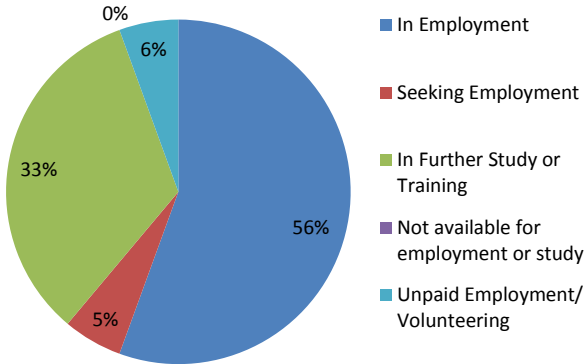


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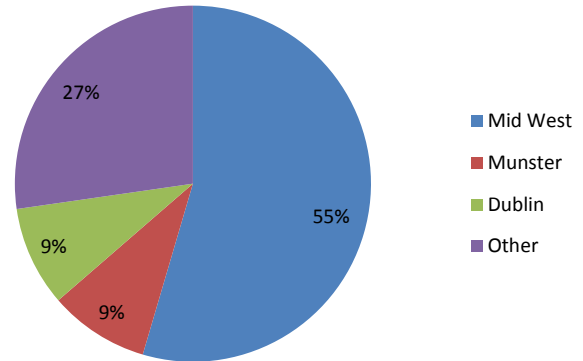
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B. Sc. (Hons) in Civil Engineering Management

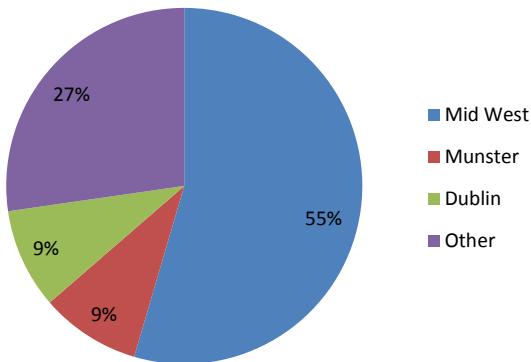
Present Situation



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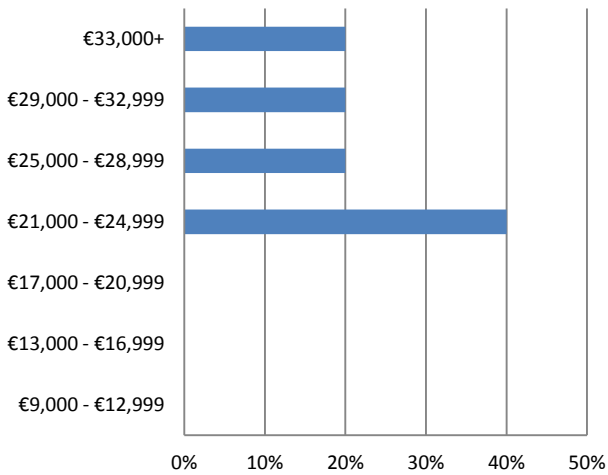
Employers Include:

- Murphy International
- 4 Site Telecom
- SIAC Construction
- AE + E Services
- Sisk

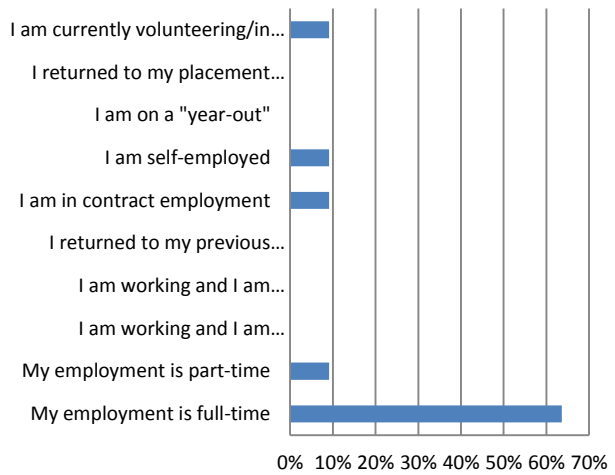
Job Titles include:

- Civil Engineering Manager
- CAD Technician
- Site Engineer
- Energy Consultant

Salary



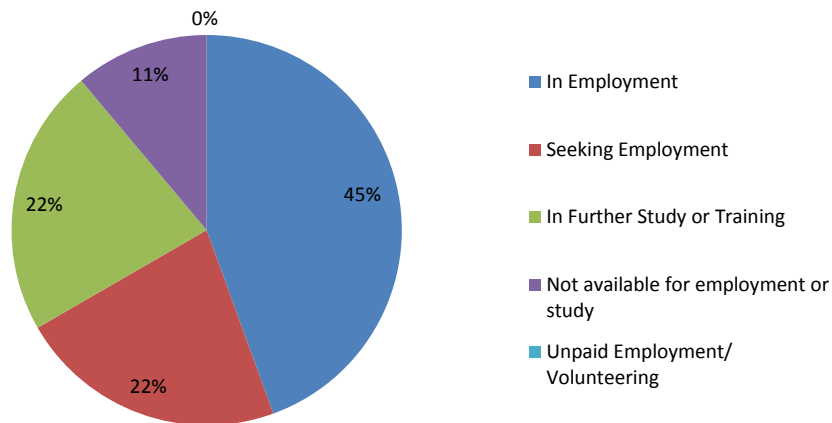
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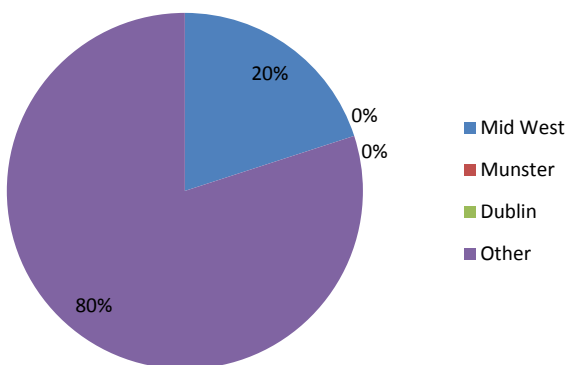
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## B. Eng. in Civil Engineering

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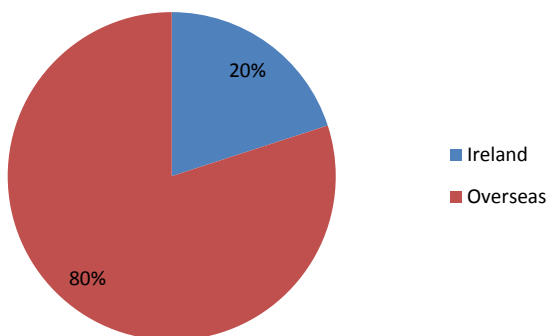
**Employers Include:**

- Murphy & Sons
- John Sisk & Sons Ltd.

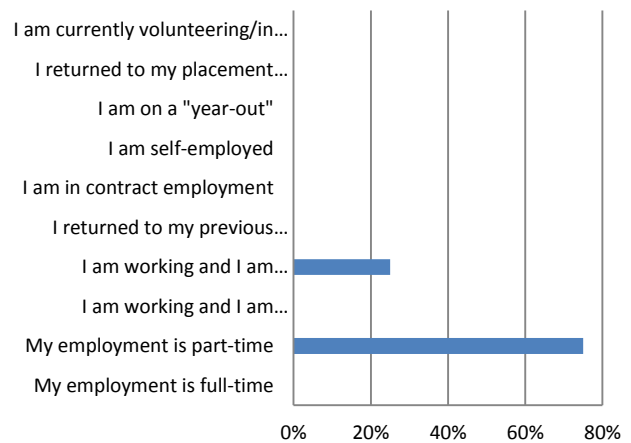
**Job Titles include:**

- Civil Engineer
- Assistant Engineer

**Location of Employment Ireland vs Overseas**



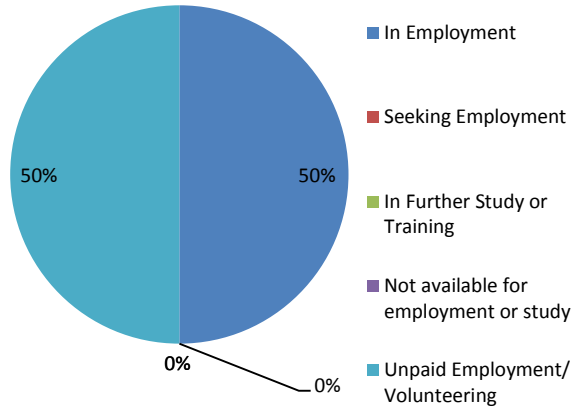
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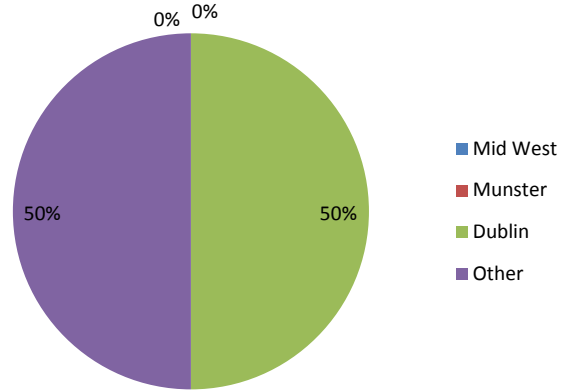
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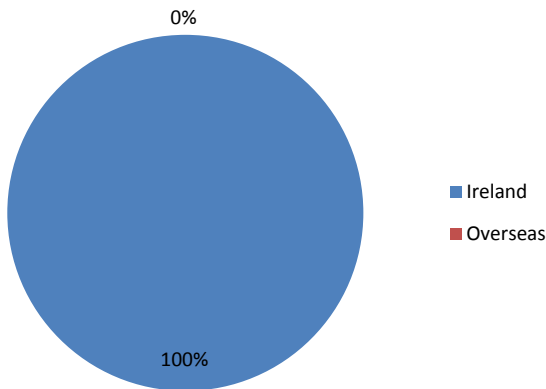
**Present Situation**



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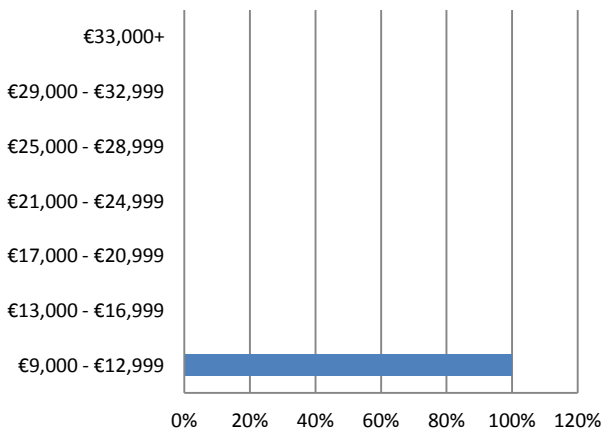
**Employers Include:**

- PJ Hegarty

**Job Titles include:**

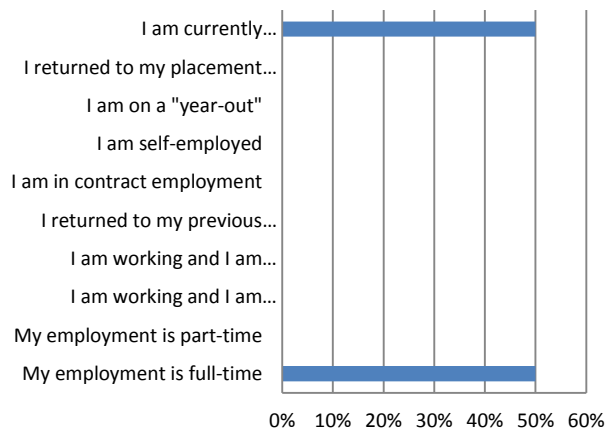
- Health & Safety Officer

**Salary**



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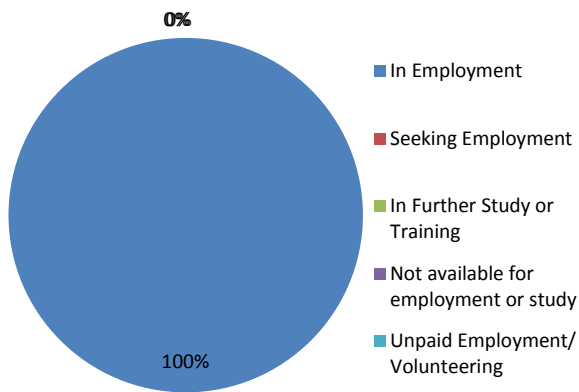
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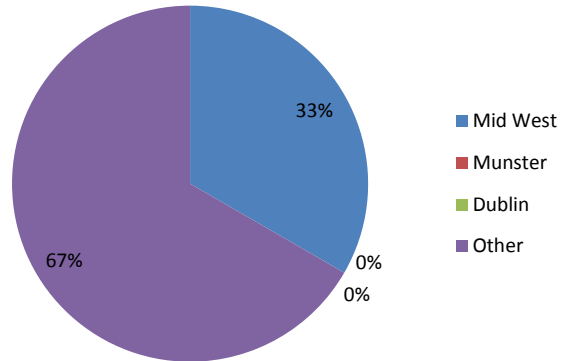
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### 3.4 B.Sc. in Construction in Construction Site Management

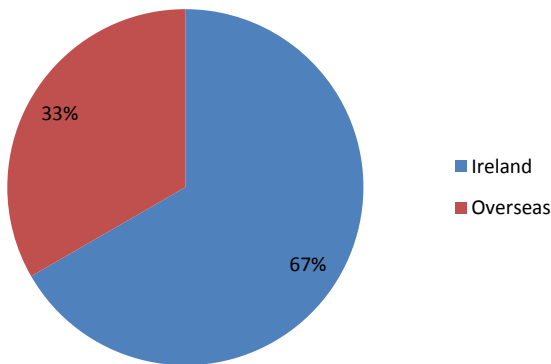
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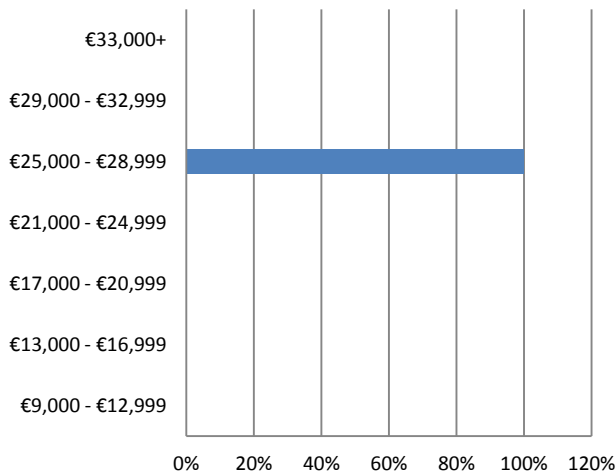
**Location of Employment Ireland vs Overseas**



**Job Titles include:**

- Site Engineer

**Salary**



**Nature of Employment**

