



Dear graduate,

Congratulations on your graduation! After many months of hard work, it's time to relax a little and enjoy this great achievement. But what are you planning to do next, and where will you be in a year from now? Will you have a job, and if so, what kind of job? Or will you continue your studies? And how will you look back on your time as a hbo student? Your educational institution is very interested in this and would like to invite you to participate in the **HBO-Monitor**!

What and why?

The HBO-Monitor is an annual study among all hbo graduates. It is a tool to determine what the (labour market) positions of graduates are, and to find out to what extent graduates consider themselves well-prepared for the labour market and/or further education. Do they have the right skills and the required knowledge? Answers to these kinds of questions are important not only for your educational institution, but also for future students. It can help them for example with their study choice!

When and how?

We will ask you to participate in the HBO-Monitor in the **autumn of 2017**. You will receive an invitation letter with a personal link to an online questionnaire. Also, in this letter you will find further information about the study.

More information?

To give you an idea of the content of the study, we include some results of the HBO-Monitor 2015 (conducted among graduates of the academic year 2013/2014) on the next page. If you have any questions regarding this letter or the HBO-Monitor, please contact the researchers of the *Research Centre for Education and the Labour Market (ROA)* at b.belfi@maastrichtuniversity.nl

We hope we may count on you next year!

Sincerely,

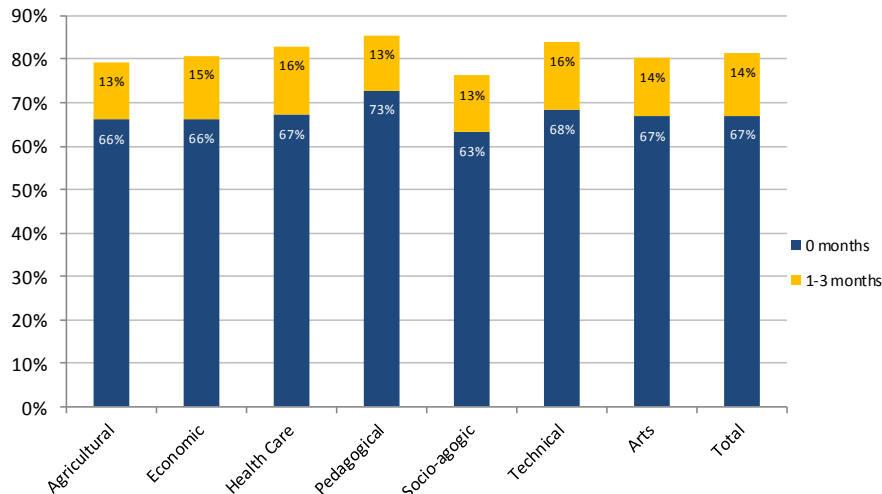
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Interested in the results of your HBO-Monitor predecessors?

All findings for **your field of education** and **all other fields** can be found at:
<http://roaststatistics.maastrichtuniversity.nl/SISOnline/Home.aspx>

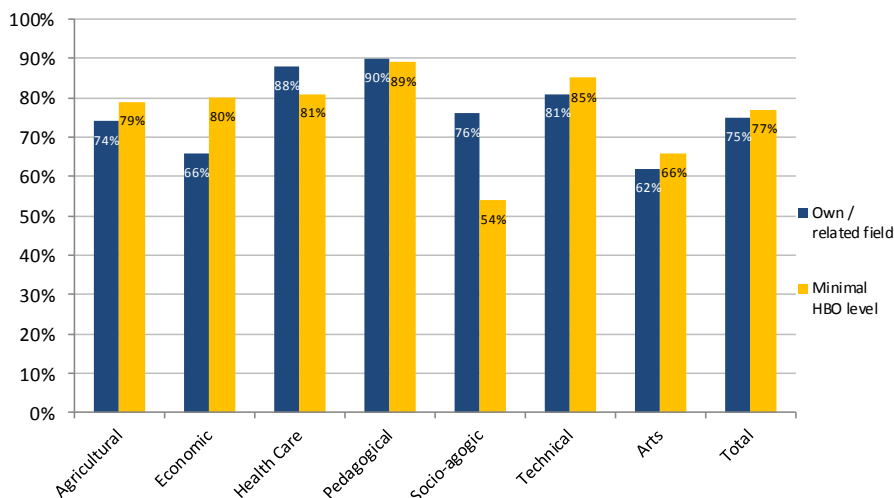
Facts & Figures

81% of all graduates find a job within three months; 67% are employed immediately after graduating



NB: data on educational sectors are based on full-time students

75% of all employed graduates have a job that matches their own or related educational field; 77% have a job that requires hbo as a minimum level



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Labour market figures 1,5 years after graduating at hbo

- Three out of four graduates find a job in their own field
- The average gross monthly wage is approximately €2,100
- Almost half of the employed (45%) have fixed working positions
- Employed graduates, on average, work 33 hours per week

HBO-Monitor in a nutshell:

Since 1990

Over 20,000 participants every year

90% of the hbo institutions participate

Graduates of:

- ♦ associate degree programs
- ♦ bachelor programs
- ♦ master programs

Full-time, part-time and dual students

Important for:

- ♦ HBO institutions
- ♦ government
- ♦ students
- ♦ graduates

In collaboration with:
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- ♦ ROA (Maastricht University)
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