Grand Rapids Community College Survey of 2013-2014 Alumni

In November and December 2014, we sent email messages to 1,657 students who had graduated from Grand Rapids Community College in 2013-2014. These two email attempts yielded 108 responses to an online survey. We used U.S. mail to send 1,549 paper surveys to the nonrespondents, and 176 of those responded by mail. The total response rate was 284/1,657 = 17%.

1. Which of the following best describes your status as of October 31, 2014? (check only one)

	N	%
Continuing education and EMPLOYED in a job NOT related to the program taken at GRCC	71	25.09%
Continuing education and EMPLOYED in a job related to the program taken at GRCC	39	13.78%
Continuing education, NOT EMPLOYED	34	12.01%
Employed in a job NOT related to the program taken at GRCC	54	19.08%
Employed in a job related to the program taken at GRCC	77	27.21%
Unemployed, actively seeking work	4	1.41%
Unemployed, not actively seeking work	4	1.41%

2. Which classification BEST matches the organization for which you work?

	Ν	%
Child Care	9	4.21%
Construction, Maintenance and Repair	5	2.34%
Education, Health and Social Services	82	38.32%
Financial, Insurance, Real Estate	6	2.80%
Government, Public Administration, Public Safety, Courts	12	5.61%
Information Services, Communication	6	2.80%
Leisure and Hospitality	25	11.68%
Manufacturing (any kind)	12	5.61%
Other	6	2.80%
Professional (technical, scientific, managerial)	11	5.14%
Transportation, Warehousing, Utilities	9	4.21%
Wholesale and Retail Trade	31	14.49%

3. Did the education you received in your GRCC program help you to obtain your current job?

	Ν	%
No	120	53.33%
Yes	105	46.67%

4. To what extent has your GRCC program made a positive difference for you in your current job?

	Ν	%
A lot	88	39.11%
Some	61	27.11%
Very little	30	13.33%
Not at all	46	20.44%

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5. Since you completed your most recent GRCC degree/certificate, have you started taking classes for a NEW degree/certificate at a <u>two-year college</u>?

	N	%
No	239	90.87%
Yes	7	1.52%
Yes, at GRCC	17	6.46%

6. Since you completed your most recent GRCC degree/certificate, have you taken any classes at a <u>four-year college</u> or university?

	N	%
No	132	50.19%
Yes	131	49.81%