



Marshall Graduation Survey Report

Regents' Bachelor of Arts Program

Academic Year 2015 – 2016

Q1 - Family Status

Answer	%	Count
Married, no children	16.44%	12
Married, with children	34.25%	25
Single, no children	28.77%	21
Single, with children	20.55%	15
Total	100%	73

Q2 - Residency at time of admission

Answer	%	Count
In-State	71.23%	52
Metro	15.07%	11
Out-of-State	13.70%	10
Total	100%	73

Q3 - Number of semesters enrolled to complete your degree (Note: One semester is equal to fall, spring, or summer, resulting in the potential for three semesters in one year)

Answer	%	Count
Fewer than 8 semesters	42.47%	31
8 semesters	6.85%	5
9 semesters	9.59%	7
10 semesters	4.11%	3
11 semesters	4.11%	3
12 semesters	8.22%	6
13 semesters	4.11%	3
14 semesters	6.85%	5
15 semesters	4.11%	3
16 semesters	1.37%	1
17 semesters	0.00%	0
18 semesters	5.48%	4
19 semesters	0.00%	0
20 semesters	0.00%	0
More than 20 semesters	2.74%	2
Total	100%	73

Q4 - While pursuing your degree, did you

Answer	%	Count
Originally enroll and stay at Marshall	49.32%	36
Transfer from a 2-year institution or community college	32.88%	24
Transfer from another 4-year institution	17.81%	13
Total	100%	73

Q5 - During the last year of your studies, how many hours a week did you work while attending classes?

Answer	%	Count
None	16.44%	12
1 - 10	5.48%	4
11 - 20	10.96%	8
21 - 30	5.48%	4
More than 30	61.64%	45
Total	100%	73

Q6 - Which of the following best describes your educational objective while attending Marshall University?

Answer	%	Count
Begin my first career	30.14%	22
Advance in current career	38.36%	28
Change career	20.55%	15
Non-career objective	10.96%	8
Total	100%	73

Q7 - Upon graduation, what was the dollar amount of your educational loan indebtedness?

Answer	%	Count
No indebtedness	20.55%	15
Up to \$4,999	5.48%	4
\$5,000 - \$9,999	4.11%	3
\$10,000 - \$14,999	13.70%	10
\$15,000 - \$19,999	4.11%	3
Over \$20,000	52.05%	38
Total	100%	73

Q8 - Did you take part in an internship, practicum or other structured work experience related to your major and anticipated career?

Answer	%	Count
Yes	12.33%	9
No	87.67%	64
Total	100%	73

Q9 - If you answered "yes" to the previous question, did that experience increase your ability to secure employment or employment offers?

Answer	%	Count
Yes	55.56%	5
No	11.11%	1
Insufficient information to answer this question	33.33%	3
Total	100%	9

Q10 - When I graduate from Marshall University I plan to (check all that apply)

Answer	%	Count
Attend graduate school	56.16%	41
Complete additional undergraduate coursework	6.85%	5
Continue to work at the same job I have at present	54.79%	40
Enter the military	2.74%	2
Work for a private sector company or corporation in a position related to my field of study.	9.59%	7
Work for a private sector company or corporation in a position NOT related to my field of study.	0.00%	0
Work for a local, state, or federal agency in a position related to my field of study.	15.07%	11
Work for a local, state, or federal agency in a position NOT related to my field of study.	8.22%	6
Work for a non-profit organization, e.g. hospital, university, public school, etc. in a position related to my field of study.	17.81%	13
Work for a non-profit organization, e.g. hospital, university, public school, etc. in a position NOT related to my field of study.	5.48%	4
Work for a volunteer or service organization, e.g. Peace Corps, AmeriCorps, City Year, etc.	4.11%	3
Begin my own business	5.48%	4
Start or raise a family	16.44%	12
Take time off (to travel, etc.)	10.96%	8
Undecided or no plans	10.96%	8
Other	5.48%	4
Total	100%	73

Other

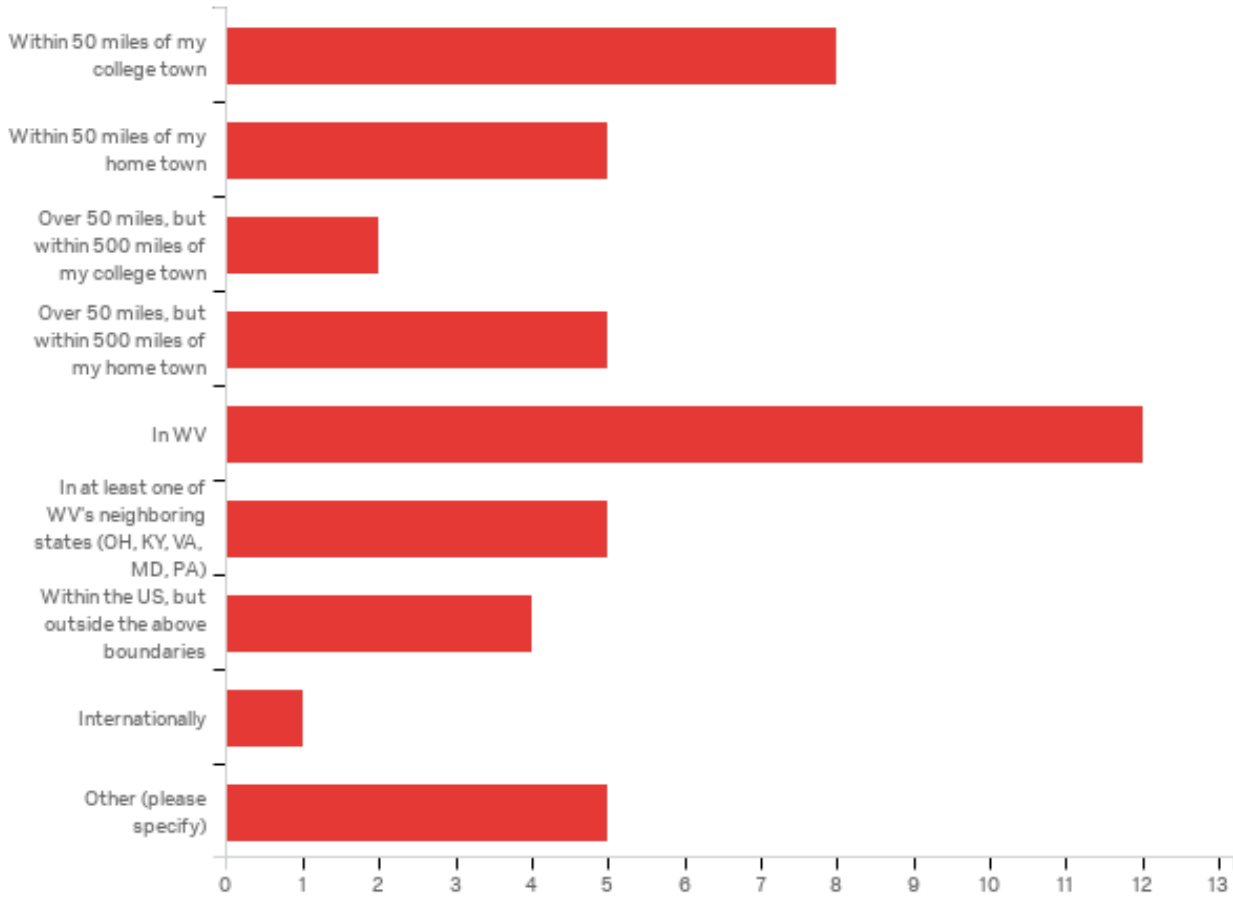
Small side business as a freelance portrait photographer

seek employment

Possibly graduate school

relocate to a state offering better paying jobs

Q11 - If you plan to continue your education and have applied to institutions of higher education, please check all that apply: I have applied to institutions of higher education



Answer	%	Count
Within 50 miles of my college town	25.00%	8
Within 50 miles of my home town	15.63%	5
Over 50 miles, but within 500 miles of my college town	6.25%	2
Over 50 miles, but within 500 miles of my home town	15.63%	5
In WV	37.50%	12
In at least one of WV's neighboring states (OH, KY, VA, MD, PA)	15.63%	5
Within the US, but outside the above boundaries	12.50%	4
Internationally	3.13%	1
Other (please specify)	15.63%	5
Total	100%	32

Other (please specify)

None

Cannot apply until April when CASPA opens

Online

Plan to attend later, have not applied for the coming year

Taking a semester off

Q12 - Have you been accepted by a higher-level educational program?

Answer	%	Count
Yes	18.92%	7
No	81.08%	30
Total	100%	37

Q13 - If you have been accepted by a higher level institution, what institution do you plan to attend?

Marshall University Graduate School

Marshall University School of Pharmacy

Marshall University

haven't applied yet as I want to take a semester or two off

University of Southern California

American Military University and/or University of Cincinnati

Marshall University

Marshall University

Q14 - While pursuing my degree at Marshall University

Question	Strongly Agree		Agree		Neither Agree nor Disagree		Disagree		Strongly Disagree		Total
I developed the ability to write effectively.	49.32%	36	35.62%	26	12.33%	9	2.74%	2	0.00%	0	73
I used numerical information to explore real world problems.	24.66%	18	41.10%	30	27.40%	20	6.85%	5	0.00%	0	73
I learned to find scholarly information, to evaluate it critically and to use it effectively.	49.32%	36	39.73%	29	8.22%	6	2.74%	2	0.00%	0	73
I gained expertise in the use of technology important in my field of study.	45.83%	33	34.72%	25	15.28%	11	2.78%	2	1.39%	1	72
I acquired sufficient skills and knowledge to prepare for career-related positions.	41.67%	30	41.67%	30	12.50%	9	2.78%	2	1.39%	1	72
I developed the ability to express myself effectively through speaking.	43.84%	32	34.25%	25	20.55%	15	0.00%	0	1.37%	1	73
I developed multicultural and global perspectives.	50.68%	37	28.77%	21	15.07%	11	5.48%	4	0.00%	0	73
Writing intensive courses helped me to improve my writing skills.	39.73%	29	39.73%	29	15.07%	11	5.48%	4	0.00%	0	73
My classes challenged me to analyze and evaluate issues and to solve real-world problems in a manner that is ethical and supportive of our civic well-being.	46.58%	34	42.47%	31	6.85%	5	2.74%	2	1.37%	1	73
I broadened my appreciation for the arts.	40.28%	29	25.00%	18	25.00%	18	9.72%	7	0.00%	0	72
My capstone course challenged me to do my best work.	19.72%	14	26.76%	19	43.66%	31	5.63%	4	4.23%	3	71
I learned to examine issues from multiple perspectives.	50.00%	36	34.72%	25	12.50%	9	1.39%	1	1.39%	1	72
I learned to use what I know to solve novel problems.	37.50%	27	44.44%	32	16.67%	12	0.00%	0	1.39%	1	72

I learned to assess my own values and to examine other viewpoints and credible evidence.	48.61%	35	47.22%	34	2.78%	2	1.39%	1	0.00%	0	72
I determined how to improve my own learning and to engage in lifelong learning.	52.78%	38	36.11%	26	9.72%	7	0.00%	0	1.39%	1	72
I used knowledge from more than one area of study to explore issues or to solve problems.	54.17%	39	41.67%	30	2.78%	2	1.39%	1	0.00%	0	72

Field	Minimum	Maximum	Mean	Std Deviation	Variance	Count
I developed the ability to write effectively.	1.00	4.00	1.68	0.79	0.63	73
I used numerical information to explore real world problems.	1.00	4.00	2.16	0.88	0.77	73
I learned to find scholarly information, to evaluate it critically and to use it effectively.	1.00	4.00	1.64	0.75	0.56	73
I gained expertise in the use of technology important in my field of study.	1.00	5.00	1.79	0.90	0.80	72
I acquired sufficient skills and knowledge to prepare for career-related positions.	1.00	5.00	1.81	0.86	0.74	72
I developed the ability to express myself effectively through speaking.	1.00	5.00	1.81	0.85	0.73	73
I developed multicultural and global perspectives.	1.00	4.00	1.75	0.90	0.82	73
Writing intensive courses helped me to improve my writing skills.	1.00	4.00	1.86	0.87	0.75	73
My classes challenged me to analyze and evaluate issues and to solve real-world problems in a manner that is ethical and supportive of our civic well-being.	1.00	5.00	1.70	0.82	0.68	73
I broadened my appreciation for the arts.	1.00	4.00	2.04	1.02	1.04	72
My capstone course challenged me to do my best work.	1.00	5.00	2.48	1.01	1.01	71

I learned to examine issues from multiple perspectives.	1.00	5.00	1.69	0.84	0.71	72
I learned to use what I know to solve novel problems.	1.00	5.00	1.83	0.80	0.64	72
I learned to assess my own values and examine other viewpoints and credible evidence.	1.00	4.00	1.57	0.62	0.38	72
I determined how to improve my own learning and to engage in lifelong learning.	1.00	5.00	1.61	0.77	0.60	72
I used knowledge from more than one area of study to explore issues or to solve problems.	1.00	4.00	1.51	0.62	0.39	72

Q15 - Now that I have completed my degree,

Question	Strongly Agree		Agree		Neither Agree nor Disagree		Disagree		Strongly Disagree		Total
I feel adequately prepared for a career and/or graduate or professional study in my major field.	35.62%	26	49.32%	36	12.33%	9	2.74%	2	0.00%	0	73
I believe that Marshall University's program in my major field is of high quality.	47.95%	35	34.25%	25	16.44%	12	1.37%	1	0.00%	0	73
I would recommend to others that they study the same program at Marshall.	52.05%	38	30.14%	22	13.70%	10	4.11%	3	0.00%	0	73
I would recommend Marshall to prospective students.	63.01%	46	26.03%	19	5.48%	4	4.11%	3	1.37%	1	73

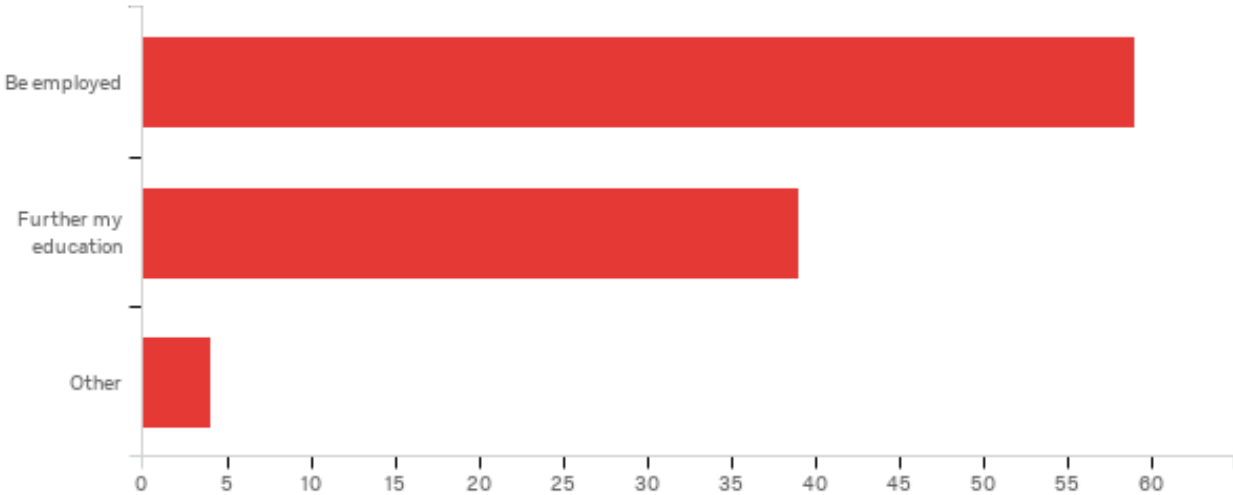
Field	Minimum	Maximum	Mean	Std Deviation	Variance	Count
I feel adequately prepared for a career and/or graduate or professional study in my major field.	1.00	4.00	1.82	0.75	0.56	73
I believe that Marshall University's program in my major field is of high quality.	1.00	4.00	1.71	0.78	0.62	73
I would recommend to others that they study the same program at Marshall.	1.00	4.00	1.70	0.86	0.73	73
I would recommend Marshall to prospective students.	1.00	5.00	1.55	0.88	0.77	73

Q16 - Please rate your level of satisfaction with the quality of the following at Marshall:

Question	Very Satisfied		Satisfied		Neutral		Dissatisfied		Very Dissatisfied		Total
Teaching	56.16%	41	32.88%	24	5.48%	4	4.11%	3	1.37%	1	73
Advising	50.68%	37	27.40%	20	12.33%	9	8.22%	6	1.37%	1	73
Academic Support Services	41.10%	30	28.77%	21	24.66%	18	4.11%	3	1.37%	1	73
Classroom/Lab Facilities	30.56%	22	36.11%	26	26.39%	19	5.56%	4	1.39%	1	72

Field	Minimum	Maximum	Mean	Std Deviation	Variance	Count
Teaching	1.00	5.00	1.62	0.87	0.76	73
Advising	1.00	5.00	1.82	1.02	1.05	73
Academic Support Services	1.00	5.00	1.96	0.97	0.94	73
Classroom/Lab Facilities	1.00	5.00	2.11	0.95	0.90	72

Q17 - When I graduate, I plan to



Answer	%	Count
Be employed	80.82%	59
Further my education	53.42%	39
Other	5.48%	4
Total	100%	73

Other

- Other

- Undecided

- take a break and then apply for graduate school

- relocate out of the state

Q18 - If you plan to be employed after graduation, will your job be in the career path you have chosen?

Answer	%	Count
Yes	55.93%	33
No	15.25%	9
Don't know yet	28.81%	17
Total	100%	59

Q19 - If you plan to be employed after graduation, will your job be in your major field?

Answer	%	Count
Yes	38.98%	23
No	27.12%	16
Don't know yet	33.90%	20
Total	100%	59

Q20 - If you plan to be employed after graduation, will your job be

Answer	%	Count
In WV?	71.19%	42
In KY, OH, PA, VA, or MD?	13.56%	8
In a state other than one mentioned above?	15.25%	9
In a country other than the US?	0.00%	0
Total	100%	59

Q21 - If you plan to be employed after graduation, will your job be (choose all that apply):

Answer	%	Count
within 50 miles of your college town?	66.10%	39
within 50 miles of your home town?	40.68%	24
over 50 miles, but within 500 miles of your college town?	13.56%	8
over 50 miles, but within 500 miles of your home town?	10.17%	6
over 500 miles from your college town	8.47%	5
over 500 miles from your home town	6.78%	4
Total	100%	59

Q22 - If you have accepted employment, what will be your starting salary?

Answer	%	Count
\$10,000 or less	0.00%	0
\$10,001 - \$15,000	0.00%	0
\$15,001 - \$20,000	5.36%	3
\$20,001 - \$25,000	10.71%	6
\$25,001 - \$30,000	7.14%	4
\$30,001 - \$35,000	8.93%	5
\$35,001 - \$40,000	7.14%	4
\$40,001 - \$45,000	3.57%	2
\$45,001 - \$50,000	5.36%	3
More than \$50,000	16.07%	9
I have not yet accepted employment	35.71%	20
Total	100%	56

Q23 - For the position indicated above, who is your employer?

WVU Research Corporation

Apple Inc.

Santa Rosa County School System

Novartis

Guyandotte Public Library

Marshall Health

Marshall University - employed since 2005

Toyota Motor Manufacturing

amazon

USPS

Department of the Air Force

Teaching

The Cammack Children's Center

MURC

Pre-school teacher

Frontier Communications

Mountwest Community & Technical College

Counseling

WV DHHR

self

Alpha Natural Resources

Pathways, INC

State of West Virginia

Diamond Electric

WVU Extension Service Family Nutrition Program

Northeast Kentucky Community Action Agency

Abercrombie and Fitch

River Valley Child Development Services

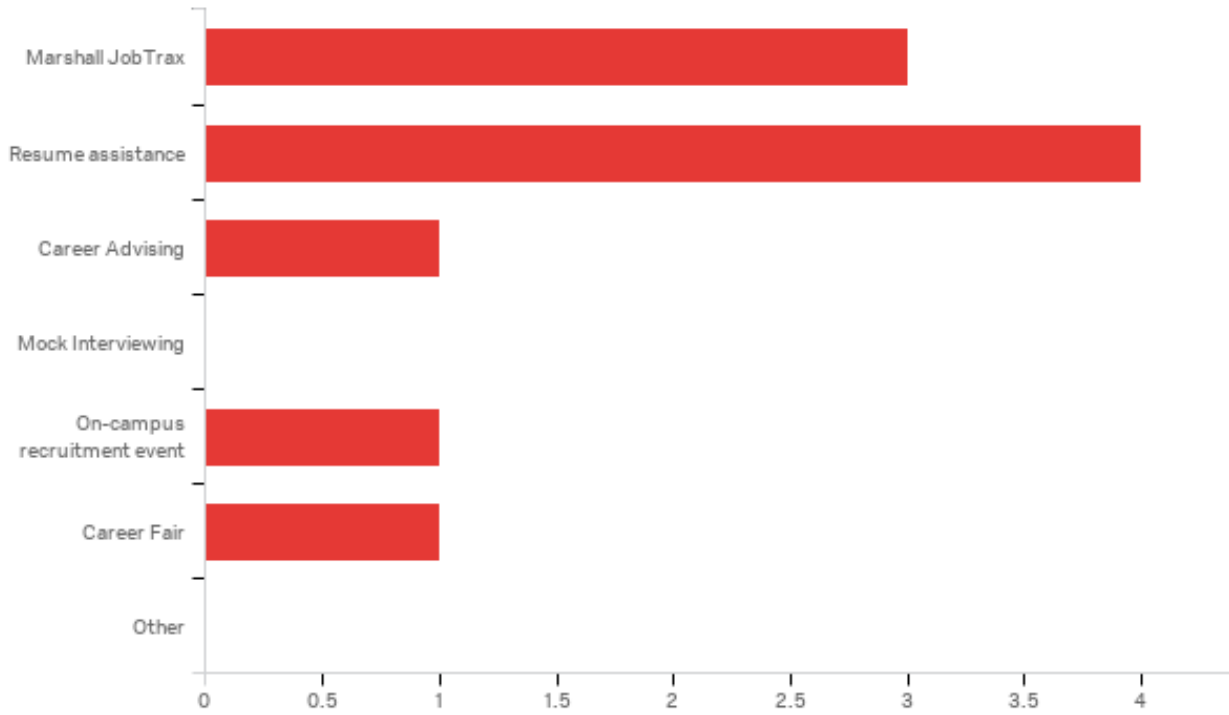
Marshall University

Cabell county schools

Q24 - Did you use Career Services to help you with your career path?

Answer	%	Count
Yes	5.63%	4
No	94.37%	67
Total	100%	71

Q25 - If you answered "yes" to the previous question, please indicate all services used.



Answer	%	Count
Marshall JobTrax	75.00%	3
Resume assistance	100.00%	4
Career Advising	25.00%	1
Mock Interviewing	0.00%	0
On-campus recruitment event	25.00%	1
Career Fair	25.00%	1
Other	0.00%	0
Total	100%	4

Q26 - After entering the RBA program, did you finish your coursework

Answer	%	Count
Online	42.86%	30
In face-to-face classes	10.00%	7
A combination of the above	47.14%	33
Neither - I was able to graduate without taking any more classes	0.00%	0
Total	100%	70

Q27 - Please indicate your level of satisfaction with these elements of your experience in the RBA Program:

Question	Very Satisfied	Somewhat Satisfied	Somewhat Dissatisfied	Very Dissatisfied	Not applicable	Total
Learning Experiences in your online courses	70.83% 51	19.44% 14	4.17% 3	0.00% 0	5.56% 4	72
Learning Experiences in your face-to-face classes	49.30% 35	15.49% 11	2.82% 2	0.00% 0	32.39% 23	71
Earning credits through portfolios or other college equivalent credits (if applicable)	27.14% 19	4.29% 3	1.43% 1	1.43% 1	65.71% 46	70

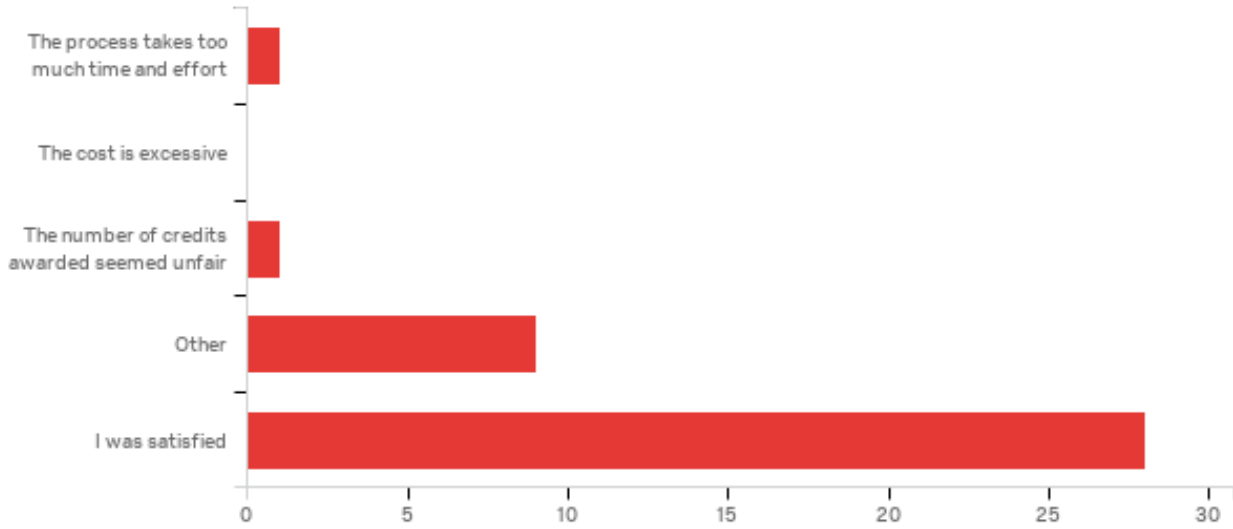
Field	Minimum	Maximum	Mean	Std Deviation	Variance	Count
Learning Experiences in your online courses	1.00	5.00	1.50	1.00	1.00	72
Learning Experiences in your face-to-face classes	1.00	5.00	2.51	1.78	3.18	71
Earning credits through portfolios or other college equivalent credits (if applicable)	1.00	5.00	3.74	1.79	3.22	70

Q28 - If you earned credits through portfolios or other college equivalent credits, how satisfied were you with the process:

Answer	%	Count
Very Satisfied	85.19%	23
Somewhat Satisfied	11.11%	3
Somewhat Dissatisfied	0.00%	0
Dissatisfied	3.70%	1
Total	100%	27

Field	Minimum	Maximum	Mean	Std Deviation	Variance	Count
Please indicate your level of satisfaction	1.00	4.00	1.22	0.63	0.40	27

Q28 - If you were dissatisfied with the portfolio and college equivalent credit process, why were you dissatisfied?



Answer	%	Count
The process takes too much time and effort	2.56%	1
The cost is excessive	0.00%	0
The number of credits awarded seemed unfair	2.56%	1
Other	23.08%	9
I was satisfied	71.79%	28
Total	100%	39

Other

No portfolio needed

Not applicable.

Not applicable

Not applicable

N/A

not applicable

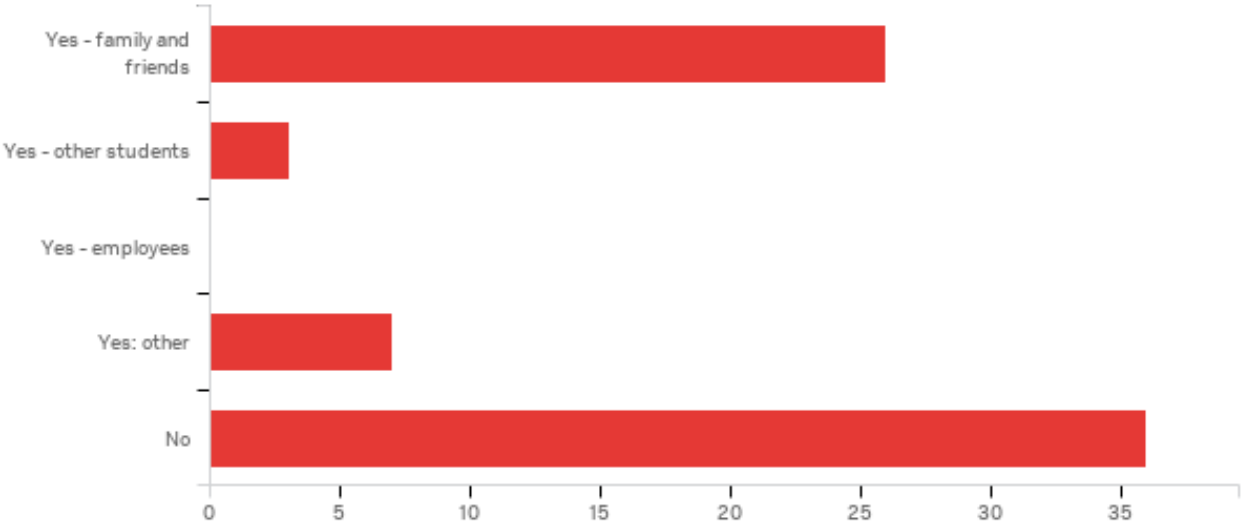
classes I took at MCTC on marshall's campus didn't even transfer over towards my RBA degree...

N/A

Q29 - After completing the RBA, do you feel you have learned as much - and are as well educated - as other Marshall University graduates?

Answer	%	Count
Yes	95.71%	67
No	4.29%	3
Total	100%	70

Q30 - Has anyone ever questioned the value of your RBA degree?



Answer	%	Count
Yes - family and friends	36.11%	26
Yes - other students	4.17%	3
Yes - employees	0.00%	0
Yes: other	9.72%	7
No	50.00%	36
Total	100%	72

Yes: other

family, friends, other students, co-workers

Colleagues

most people are unfamiliar with the degree

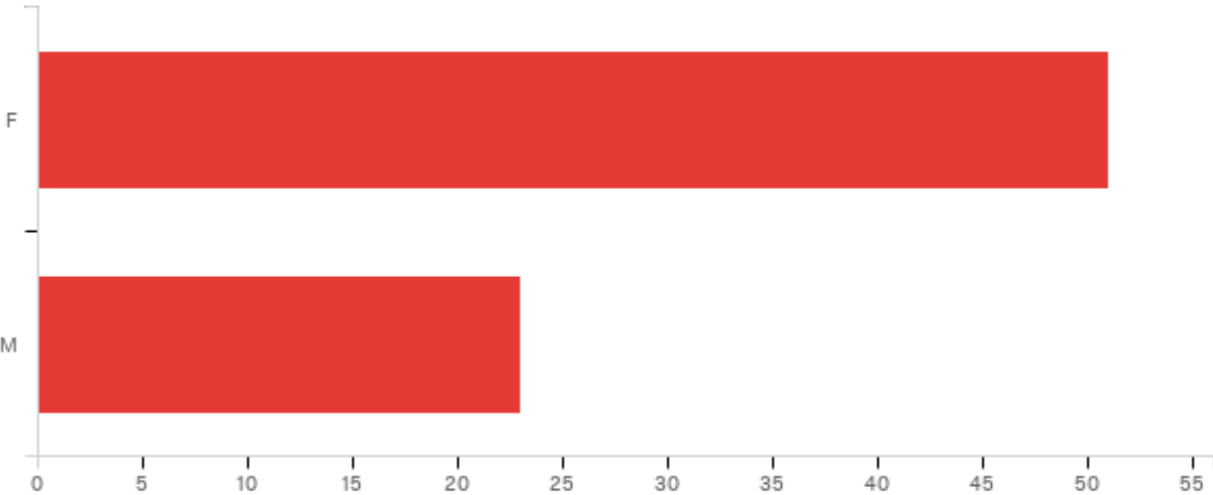
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everyone

I get asked what it is, a lot.

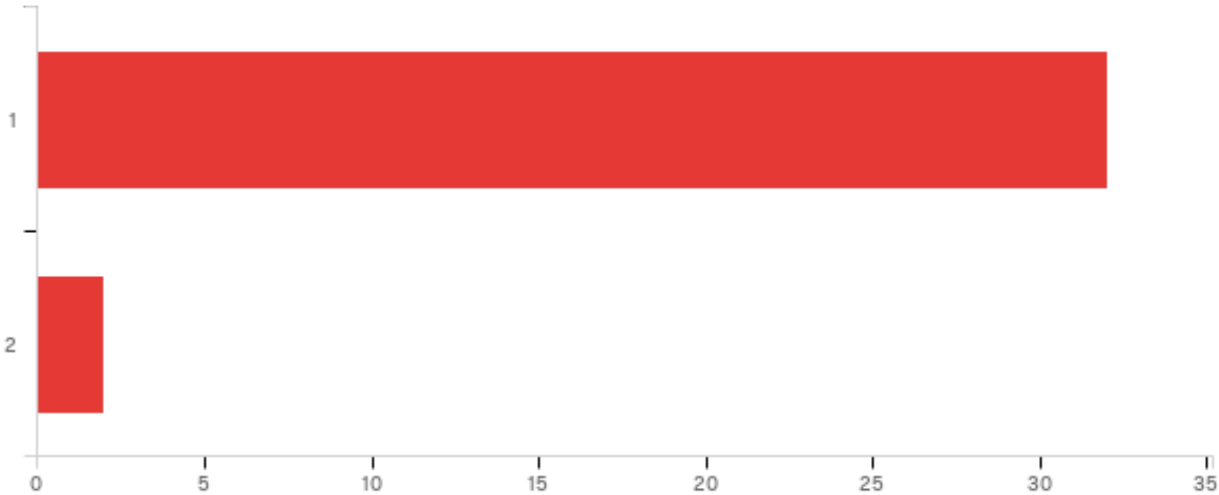
all of the above

Gender



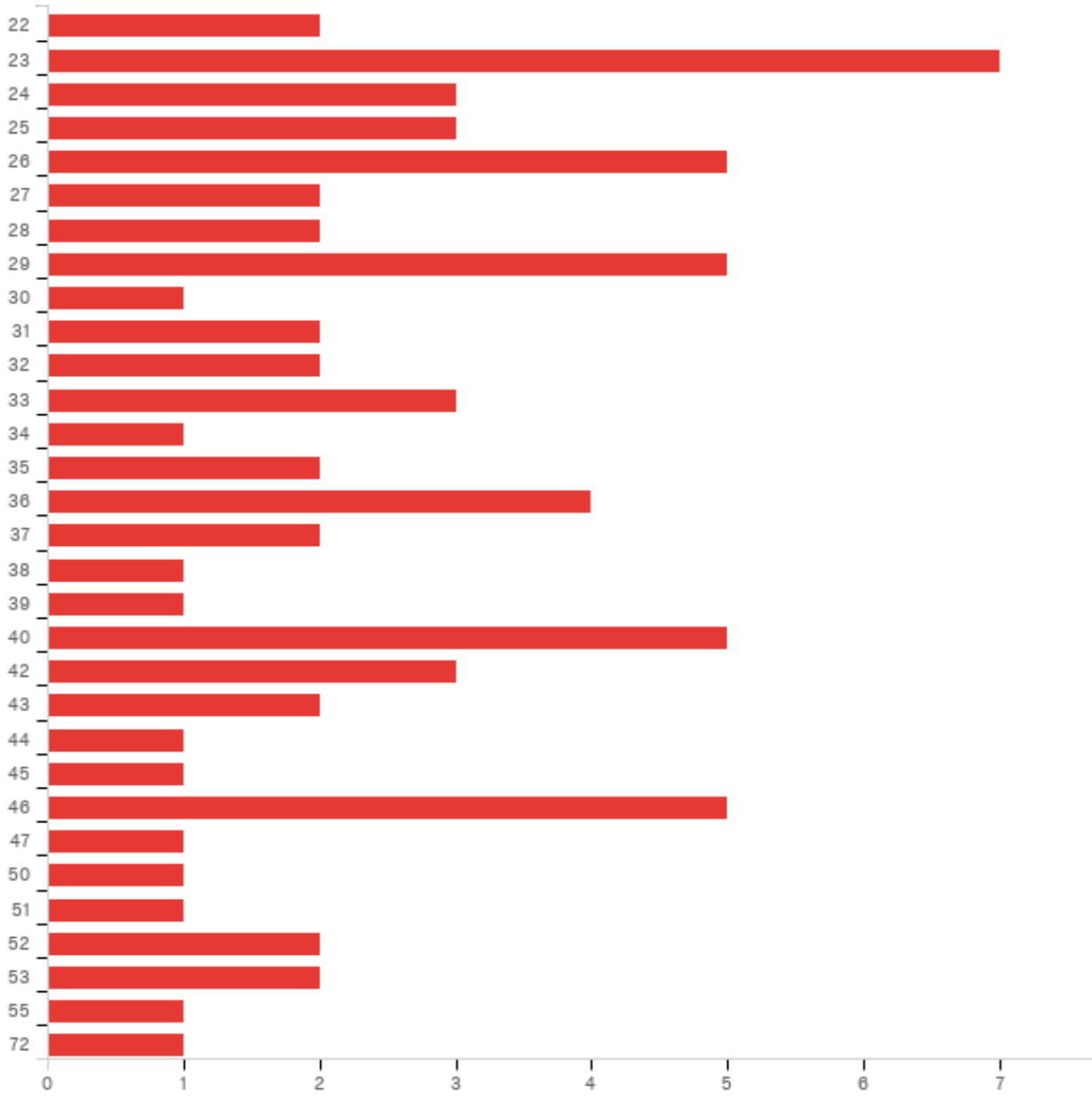
Answer	%	Count
Female	68.92%	51
Male	31.08%	23
Total	100%	74

Race



Answer	%	Count
Caucasian	94.12%	32
African-American	5.88%	2
Total	100%	34

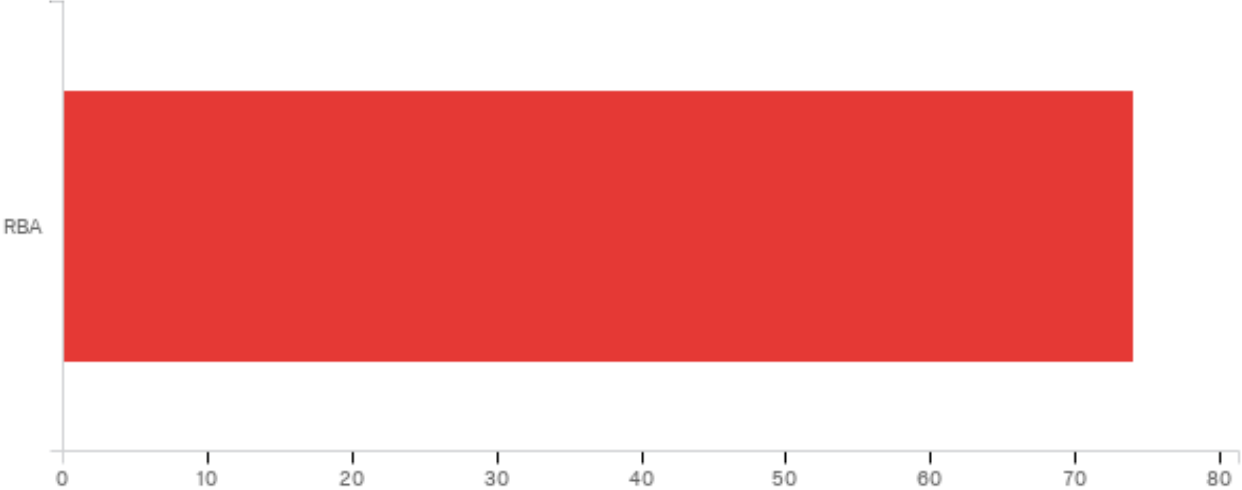
Age



Answer	%	Count
22	2.70%	2
23	9.46%	7
24	4.05%	3
25	4.05%	3
26	6.76%	5

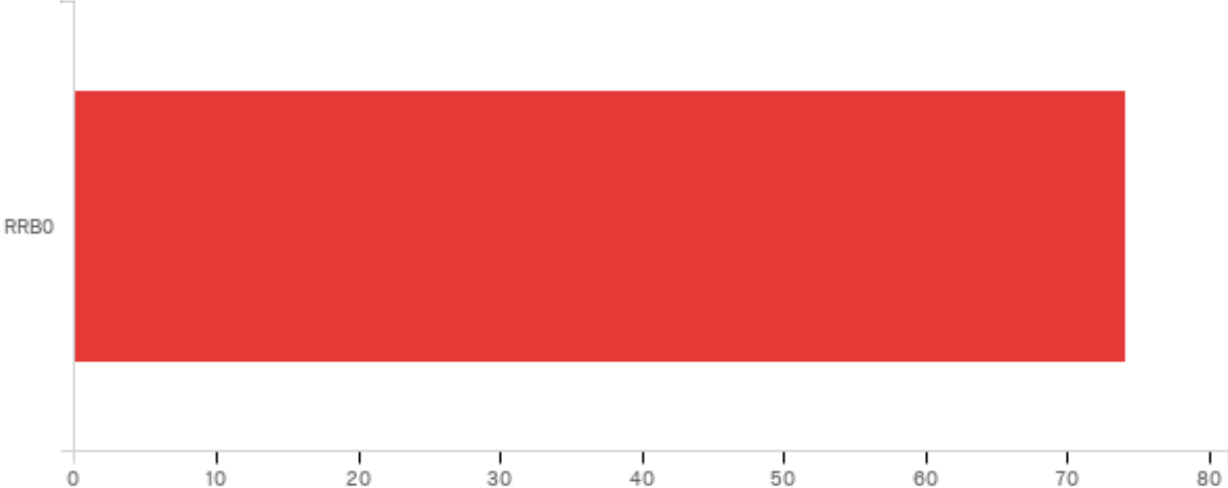
27	2.70%	2
28	2.70%	2
29	6.76%	5
30	1.35%	1
31	2.70%	2
32	2.70%	2
33	4.05%	3
34	1.35%	1
35	2.70%	2
36	5.41%	4
37	2.70%	2
38	1.35%	1
39	1.35%	1
40	6.76%	5
42	4.05%	3
43	2.70%	2
44	1.35%	1
45	1.35%	1
46	6.76%	5
47	1.35%	1
50	1.35%	1
51	1.35%	1
52	2.70%	2
53	2.70%	2
55	1.35%	1
72	1.35%	1
Total	100%	74

Degree



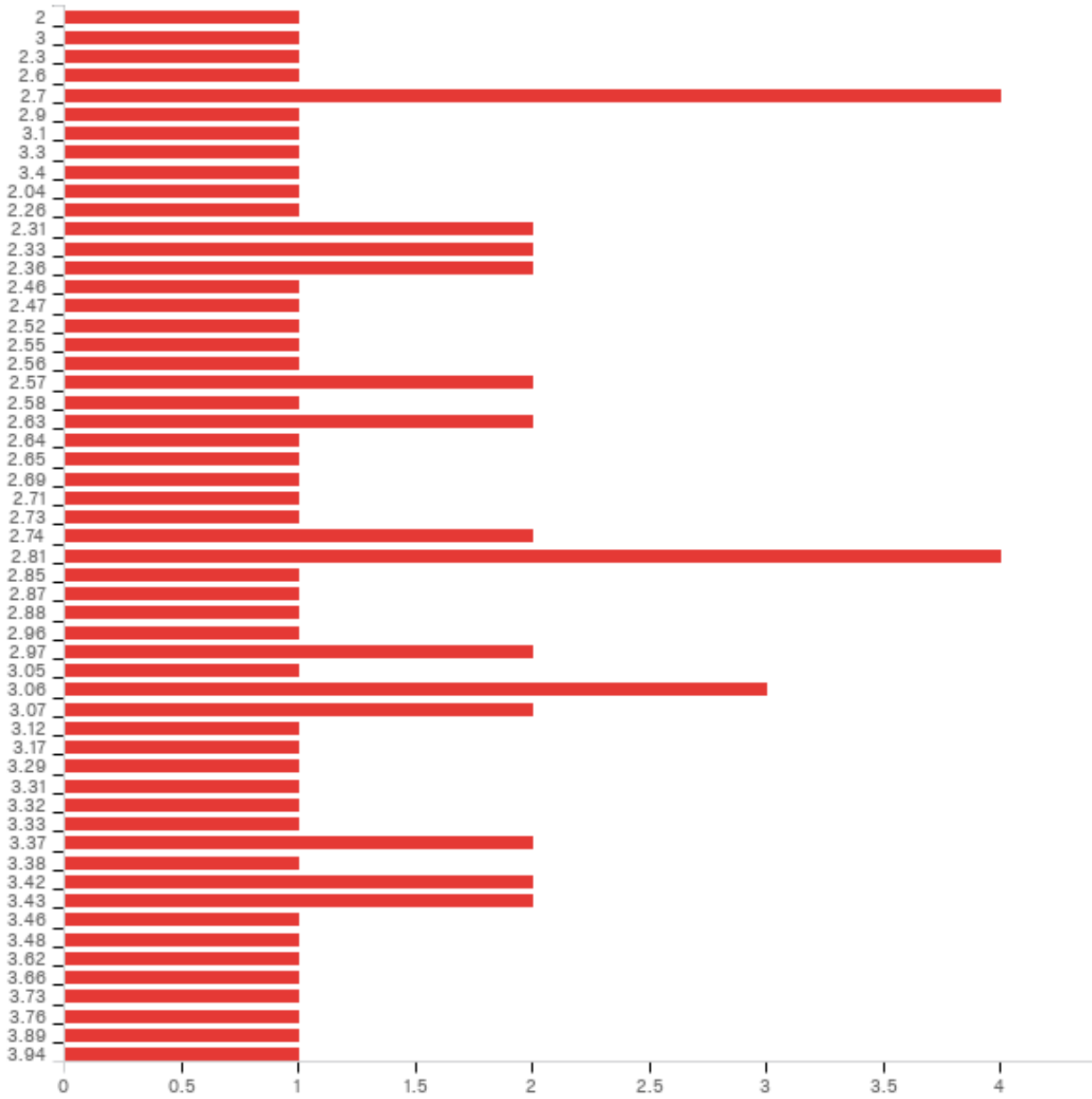
Answer	%	Count
RBA	100.00%	74
Total	100%	74

Major



Answer	%	Count
RRBO	100.00%	74
Total	100%	74

GPA



Answer	%	Count
2	1.35%	1
3	1.35%	1
2.3	1.35%	1
2.6	1.35%	1
2.7	5.41%	4

2.9		1.35%	1
3.1		1.35%	1
3.3		1.35%	1
3.4		1.35%	1
2.04		1.35%	1
2.26		1.35%	1
2.31		2.70%	2
2.33		2.70%	2
2.36		2.70%	2
2.46		1.35%	1
2.47		1.35%	1
2.52		1.35%	1
2.55		1.35%	1
2.56		1.35%	1
2.57		2.70%	2
2.58		1.35%	1
2.63		2.70%	2
2.64		1.35%	1
2.65		1.35%	1
2.69		1.35%	1
2.71		1.35%	1
2.73		1.35%	1
2.74		2.70%	2
2.81		5.41%	4
2.85		1.35%	1
2.87		1.35%	1
2.88		1.35%	1
2.96		1.35%	1
2.97		2.70%	2
3.05		1.35%	1

3.06	4.05%	3
3.07	2.70%	2
3.12	1.35%	1
3.17	1.35%	1
3.29	1.35%	1
3.31	1.35%	1
3.32	1.35%	1
3.33	1.35%	1
3.37	2.70%	2
3.38	1.35%	1
3.42	2.70%	2
3.43	2.70%	2
3.46	1.35%	1
3.48	1.35%	1
3.62	1.35%	1
3.66	1.35%	1
3.73	1.35%	1
3.76	1.35%	1
3.89	1.35%	1
3.94	1.35%	1
Total	100%	74