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ABSTRACT

This document summarizes fall 1999 major findings of Johnson County Community College's (JCCC's) career program effectiveness in the following categories: utilization of community college preparation, community college experiences, satisfaction with JCCC, current educational endeavors and future educational plans, and employer perceptions. A total of 486 career program completers responded to this survey. Fully 82% of respondents were employed in a job related to their community college career program. The average annual salary reported by respondents employed full-time in a related job has continued to increase incrementally over time. The majority of respondents working in a related job had not been employed in their current job prior to attending JCCC (72%), were working in their first full-time job in their chosen career field (58%), and had been employed in their current job for one year or less (58%). Most respondents who were employed full-time in a related job were happy with their work. Three out of four respondents reported improvement in their self-confidence and decision-making skills. The overwhelming majority of respondents were satisfied with JCCC. Over 90% of respondents expressed satisfaction with the course content and the college's facilities and equipment. The vast majority of employers were satisfied with the preparation of the career-program completer in their employ. Appendices include surveys and cover letters used in the study. (VWC)



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INTRODUCTION

Each year, as a major component of the college's overall plan to assess institutional effectiveness, the Office of Institutional Research at Johnson County Community College conducts follow-up studies of students who completed a JCCC career program (or a co-op program through the Metropolitan Community College District) during the previous academic year. The employers of completers who were employed in a job related to their course of study are also surveyed. Results of these studies provide valuable insights into the effectiveness of the career programs. Findings also assist the college in planning to meet the individual needs of future students and the employment needs of business and industry.

Completer Survey Methodology

A list of 694 career program completers¹ was developed in the fall of 1999 by combining lists of students earning degrees and certificates with those leaving the program with marketable skills. Completers leaving with marketable skills were identified by career program administrators in a program verification process conducted during the fall 1998 and spring 1999 semesters. Surveys and cover letters were mailed in November 1999, with one follow-up mailing to nonrespondents in December 1999. Efforts were made to contact remaining nonrespondents by telephone in January of 2000, and additional information secured through telephone contact with acquaintances of completers was utilized for a third mailing in the end of January. The assistance of career program administrators was enlisted throughout the spring semester to locate as many remaining nonrespondents as possible.

A total of 112 former students had no opportunity to respond due to obsolete addresses and/or telephone numbers, and 14 indicated our records were in error and they had not completed a career program during the academic year, reducing the list of potential respondents to 568. Of those, 486 completed surveys for an adjusted response rate of 86%.

The 101 completers of one of the short-term health occupations program certificate classes over the 1998-99 academic year were mailed a survey in November of 1999, with one follow-up mailing in December of 1999. Results for the 11 respondents to these mailings are also included in this report.

Employer Survey Methodology

Respondents working in a job related to their community college program identified a total of 267 employers who were subsequently surveyed by mail. The initial mailing in January and one follow-up mailing in February resulted in 18 surveys returned by the postal service as undeliverable or containing a note indicating an inability to complete the survey (completer



¹ Note. The career program completer list excludes Burlington Northern employees and police academy graduates.

unknown, new hire, no longer employed there, or disclosure of requested data against company policy), leaving 249 potential respondents. Of those, 164 returned completed surveys for an adjusted response rate of 66%.

A summary of major findings of the study follows. Tables detailing results of the completer survey are located in Appendix A, and tabled results of the employer survey may be found in Appendix B. A list of tables is provided at the start of each appendix to facilitate location of specific data, and findings are presented by career program as often as possible to enhance the usefulness of results. Caution should be exercised when generalizing these data due to the relatively small number of respondents in some programs. Findings are not necessarily representative of either the number of students enrolled in each program or the salaries of all career program completers.

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MAJOR FINDINGS

Utilization of Community College Preparation

- * Fully 82% of respondents were employed in a job related to their community college career program, and another 8% were working in an unrelated job. Of note is the fact that once more less than 3% of survey respondents were unemployed and looking for work at the time the survey was conducted. Slightly over 5% were pursuing additional education, and the remainder were serving in the military or out of the labor force all together.
- * The average annual salary reported by respondents employed full-time in a related job has continued to increase incrementally over time to a high of \$33,259 for the class of 1999, up from \$30,285 for the class of 1998.
- * Males continue to out-earn females. For the class of 1999, the overall average annual salary reported by males was 6% higher than that reported by females (\$34,299 vs. \$32,344). Where data were available for both, female respondents reported higher average earnings than males in six career fields: business office technology, chef apprentice, emergency medical technology, health occupations, legal nurse consultant, and licensed practical nurse.
- * The majority of respondents working in a related job had **not** been employed in their current job prior to attending JCCC (72%), were working in their first full-time job in their chosen career field (58%), and had been employed in their current job for one year or less (58%).
- * Most respondents who were employed full-time in a related job were happy with their work. Eight out of ten respondents rated most aspects of their job as excellent or good, and 84% expressed satisfaction with their current job.

Community College Experiences

- * The median age of respondents (31 years), the median length of time enrolled in their career program (4 semesters), and the median number of credit hours completed (60 to 65) have remained essentially the same throughout the 1990's. However, the percent who earned associate degrees decreased substantially, from 68% in 1990 to 57% in 1999. This decrease is primarily attributable to the popularity of the new information technology certificate programs.
- * Three out of four respondents reported improvement in their self-confidence and decision making skills, and two out of three reported improvement in their knowledge of the arts and sciences, oral communication skills, time management skills, and in clarifying their personal values and goals as a result of their community college experiences.



Satisfaction With JCCC

- * The overwhelming majority of respondents were satisfied with JCCC. Nearly 91% indicated JCCC was their first choice college to attend and, if starting now, 92% would attend JCCC again. Fully 96% would recommend JCCC to friends, and nearly 87% would encourage their own children to attend JCCC.
- * Over 90% of respondents expressed satisfaction with the course content and the college's facilities and equipment, and eight out of ten expressed satisfaction with the helpfulness and individual attention of the faculty, quality of instruction, variety of courses, convenience of class scheduling, and usefulness and relevance of the coursework.

Current Educational Endeavors and Future Educational Plans

* A substantial number of respondents were either already pursuing additional education or planned to do so within the next year. Despite recent completion of a career program, 31% of respondents were currently enrolled in classes and, of those, 50% were attending JCCC. Over 53% of respondents planned to enroll again within the next year and, of those, 53% planned to return to JCCC.

Employer Perceptions

* The vast majority of employers were satisfied with the preparation of the career program completer in their employ. Nine out of ten rated the overall job preparation as excellent or good, and less than 4% of employers rated any aspect of their employee's job preparation as poor.



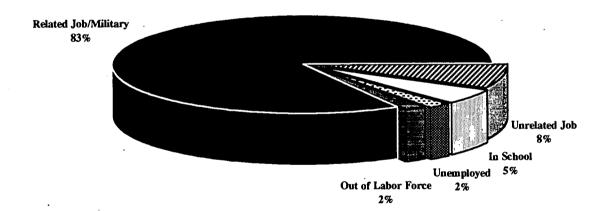
CURRENT STATUS

What percent of career program completers are working in a job related to their course of study, and what are the other completers doing?

One of the primary purposes of conducting annual follow-up studies of career program completers is to determine how they utilize the skills developed through their course of study. Figure 1 depicts the current status of respondents to this year's follow-up study. Note that nearly 83% were working in a job related to their course of study or serving in the military, and less than 3% were unemployed and looking for work.

Table 2 in Appendix A details results and comparisons of findings for the past 12 years. With the exception of 1991, the percent of respondents who were employed either in related or unrelated jobs has remained essentially the same.

Figure 1
Current Status



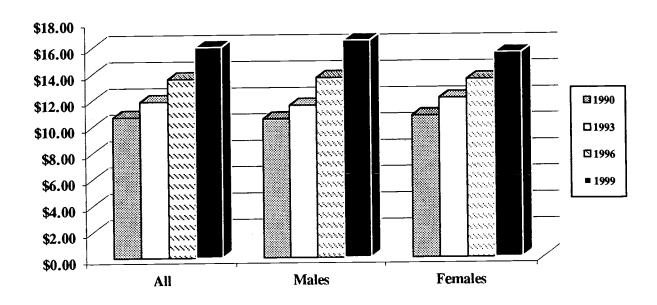


How much money does the average career program completer who is employed full-time in a related job earn?

The hourly wage data collected in the follow-up studies of career program completers is required for state and federal reporting, and is also an important component of the periodic employment, salary, and placement data provided by the college to assist students in making informed career choices.

As Figure 2 depicts, the average hourly wage reported by respondents employed full-time in a related job has continued to increase year after year, from \$10.67 for the class of 1990, to \$15.99 for the class of 1999. This constitutes a 50% increase in the average wage over the 10 year period. The average reported wage can differ substantially from one career program to another, and for males compared to females. See Tables 4, 8 and 9 in Appendix A for detailed findings.

Figure 2
Average Hourly Wage





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PERCEPTIONS OF CURRENT JOB

How positively do respondents view their current full-time job in a career field related to their course of study?

Another important objective of the annual follow-up study of career program completers is to ascertain respondent perceptions of their current full-time related job. As Figure 3 depicts, respondent perceptions of various aspects are once more very positive, and have exhibited little change over time. Note that respondents' job satisfaction and their evaluations of their salary and advancement potential have improved compared to 5 years ago. Tables 10 to 15 in Appendix A provide detailed results of findings by program.

Figure 3 **Perceptions of Current Job** Satisfaction With Job **Working Conditions** Job Responsibility **1999** Job in General **1995** Salary Advancement Potential 10% 20% 30% 50% 70% 80% 90% **Percent Positive Responses**

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In what specific areas do career program completers perceive themselves as having benefited from their community college experiences?

Respondents were asked to indicate how much they agreed that the community college had helped them to accomplish a variety of "typical" goals students have for their college experiences. As Figure 4 depicts, the majority of respondents reported improvement in a variety of cognitive and noncognitive behaviors, and these findings have exhibited little change over time. Two out of three respondents to this year's follow-up study reported improvement in all nine variables, with the greatest improvement reported in their self-confidence (80%) and decision-making skills (75%). See Table 19 in Appendix A for detailed results.

Self Confidence Decision Making Arts & Sciences Values & Goals Time Management **1999** Speaking Skills **1995 Tolerance of Others** Written Communication Interpersonal Skills 90% 60% 70% 80% 20% 40% 50% 10% 0% Percent of Positive Responses ("agree" or "strongly agree")

Figure 4
Perceptions of College Experiences



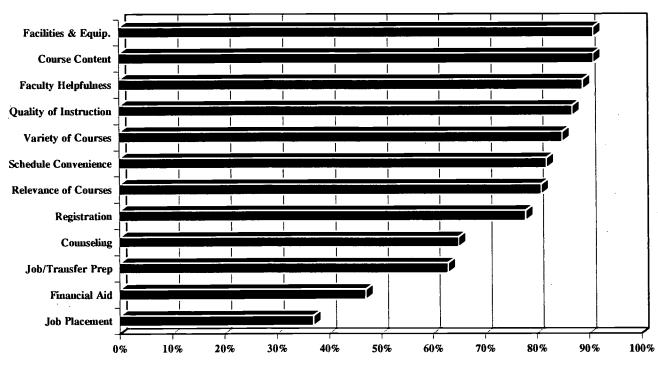
SATISFACTION WITH THE COMMUNITY COLLEGE

How satisfied were career program completers with their community college experiences?

An important component of the ongoing assessment of institutional effectiveness conducted by the JCCC Office of Institutional Research relates to former students' satisfaction with a number of aspects of their experiences at the college.

As Figure 5 depicts, over 80% of respondents expressed satisfaction with the majority of their typical community college experiences. The relatively low percent of respondents expressing satisfaction with job placement services and the availability of financial aid may at least partially be attributable either to the percent of respondents who had not had occasion to fully utilize these services or the inability of some students to qualify for aid or find jobs. Of note is the fact that over 45% of respondents replying to the question on financial aid and 49% of users evaluating job placement services indicated they were neither satisfied nor dissatisfied, and only 8% and 15%, respectively, indicated dissatisfaction with these services. See Tables 20 to 28 in Appendix A for detailed results of findings.

Figure 5
Satisfaction With the Community College



Percent of Positive Responses ("somewhat" or "very" satisfied)



How many career program completers continue their educational pursuits after leaving the community college?

Completion of an educational program does not necessarily mean the end of educational pursuits, particularly with the recent strong emphasis on lifelong learning and maintenance of an educated workforce. As Figure 6 depicts, nearly 31% of the 1999 career program completers responding to the survey were currently enrolled, and over 53% planned to enroll again within the next year. Only 27% of respondents indicated no plans to pursue additional education.

Note that one in two respondents who were currently enrolled were attending JCCC, and over 53% of those planning to enroll within the next year planned to return to JCCC. See Tables 29 and 30 in Appendix A for detailed results of these findings.

CURRENTLY ENROLLED Attending JCCC Other KS College Out-of-State College **Employer Training** Unknown College PLAN TO ENROLL AGAIN At JCCC At Other KS College Out-of-State College **Employer Training** Unknown College 30% 40% 50% 60% 70% 10% 20% 0%

Figure 6
Educational Endeavors and Plans

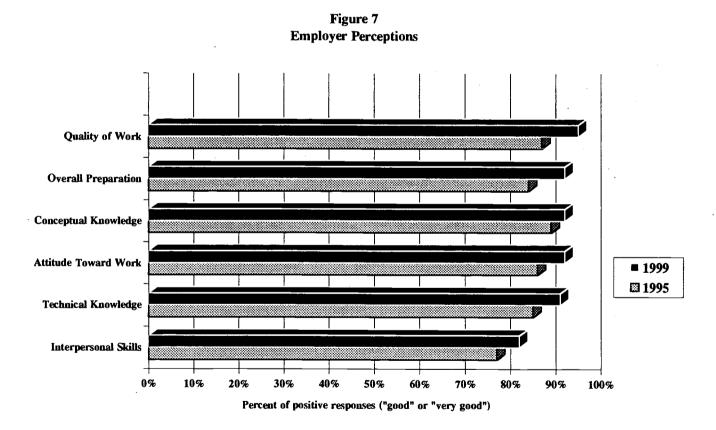


EMPLOYER PERCEPTIONS

How well do employers feel their employee has been prepared for the workplace?

Each year employers of recent career program completers are asked to evaluate the effectiveness of the preparation their employees received at the community college, and to offer suggestions for enhancing the program to meet the ever-changing technological requirements in most career fields. In this way, JCCC is aided in maintaining up-to-date, high quality programs designed to meet the needs of the workplace.

As Figure 7 depicts, employers have continued to be overwhelmingly positive in their evaluations of all aspects of their employee's preparation. See Tables 32 to 37 in Appendix B for detailed results by career program.



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Table 1

DEMOGRAPHIC PROFILE

			Number of Responses	Percent
Sex				
Male			180	36.2%
Female			308	62.0
Unknown			9	1.8
Age	·			
17 to 20 years old			19	3.8%
21 to 25			126	25.4
26 to 30			89	17.9
31 to 35			55	11.1
36 to 40			76	15.3
41 to 50			91	18.3
Over 50			26	5.2
Unknown			15	3.0
	Mean Median	33.0 years 31.0 years		
Race/Ethnic Group				
Caucasian/White			417	83.9%
African American/Black		,	21	4.2
Asian or Pacific Islander			17	3.4
Hispanic			15	3.0
American Indian or Alaskan			9	1.8
Unknown			18	3.7
Marital Status				
Currently married			247	49.7%
Never married			175	35.2
Previously married			59	11.9
Unknown			16	3.2



Table 2

CURRENT STATUS

	Number of Responses	Employed in Job Related to Training	Employed in Job Unrelated to Training	Pursuing Additional Education	Unemployed; Not Pursuing Education	Not in Labor Force; Not Pursuing Ed.	Military
Accounting	11	72.7%	0.0%	9.1%	9.1%	9.1%	0.0%
Administration of Justice	3	33.3	2.99	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Automotive Technology	S	80.0	0.0	20.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Business Administration	S	80.0	20.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Business Entrepreneurship	æ	33.3	66.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Business Office Technology	21	76.2	4.8	14.2	8.4	0.0	0.0
Chef Apprentice	•	100.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Civil Engineering Technology	S	100.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Communication Design	11	6.06	0.0	9.1	0.0	0.0	0.0
Computer Information Systems	34	76.5	14.7	6.5	2.9	0.0	0.0
Construction Management		100.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Cosmetology	21	76.2	9.4	0.0	4.8	4.8	4.8
Dental Hygiene	17	100.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Drafting Technology	9	50.0	16.7	16.7	16.7	0.0	0.0
Early Childhood Education	2	100.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Electrical Technology	11	81.8	0.0	9.1	9.1	0.0	0.0
Electronics Technology	15	73.3	13.3	6.7	6.7	0.0	0.0
Emergency Medical Technology	27	59.3	18.5	22.2	0.0	0.0	0.0
Fashion Merchandising	S	100.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Fire Science	3	2.99	0.0	33.3	0.0	0.0	0.0
Health Occupations	10	70.0	20.0	0.0	0.0	10.0	0.0
HVAC Technology	10	0.06	10.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Hospitality Management	11	6.06	9.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Hotel Management	-	100.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Information Technology	53	81.1	11.3	5.7	1.9	0.0	0.0

Note. Employed respondents who were also pursuing additional education appear in the appropriate employment category only. Unknowns have been excluded.



Table 2 (Continued)

CURRENT STATUS

	Responses	Job Related to Training	Job Unrelated to Training	Additional Education	Not Pursuing Education	Force; Not Pursuing Ed.	Military
Interior Design	14	85.7%	0.0%	0.0%	7.1%	7.1%	0.0%
Interpreter Training	13	100.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Legal Nurse Consultant	11	100.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN)	21.	2.99	4.8	14.3	4.8	9.5	0.0
Marketing & Management	5	80.0	20.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Metal Fabrication	-	100.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
M.I.C.T. (Paramedic)	14	100.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Nursing	38	94.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	5.3	0.0
Occupational Therapy Asst.	19	78.9	10.5	0.0	10.5	0.0	0.0
Paralegal	30	83.3	6.7	3.3	0.0	6.7	0.0
Radiologic Technology	7	100.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Railroad Operations	4	75.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	25.0
Respiratory Care	13	84.6	7.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	7.7
1999 Total (37 programs)	489	82.0%	7.8%	5.1%	2.5%	2.0%	0.6%
	485	81.6	9.5	3.7	1.4	3.3	0.5
1997 (36 programs)	491	83.1	10.0	2.9	2.2	1.0	8.0
1996 (30 programs)	399	79.2	11.0	4.8	2.5	1.3	1.3
1995 (31 programs)	206	82.2	8.1	3.6	2.4	3.4	0.4
1994 (30 programs)	546	82.2	9.5	3.8	2.7	1.8	0:3
	515	82.7	8.9	5.4	1.6	9.0	8.0
1992 (35 programs)	464	80.3	9.6	4.3	3.5	1.0	1.4
1991 (33 programs)	480	74.2	8.5	9.6	4.0	2.7	1.0
1990 (35 programs)	411	81.5	6.3	5.8	3.4	2.7	0.3
1989 (32 programs)	329	79.2	11.0	3.4	4.0	1.8	9.0
1988 (32 programs)	312	80.1	6.1	4.8	6.1	2.2	0.7

Note. Employed respondents who were also pursuing additional education appear in the appropriate employment category only. Unknowns have been excluded.



Table 3
USE OF CAREER PROGRAM SKILLS

	Number of Responses	On the Job	Volunteer Work	Not Using Skills/Other
Accounting	11	72.7%	0.0%	27.3%
Administration of Justice	3	33.3	0.0	66.7
Automotive Technology	5	100.0	0.0	0.0
Business Administration	5	100.0	0.0	0.0
Business Entrepreneurship	4	75.0	0.0	25.0
Office Systems Technology	21	71.4	4.8	23.8
Chef Apprentice	8	100.0	0.0	0.0
Civil Engineering Technology	5	100.0	0.0	0.0
Communication Design	12	100.0	0.0	0.0
Computer Information Systems	34	70.6	0.0	29.4
Construction Management	1	100.0	0.0	0.0
Cosmetology	22	77.3	0.0	22.7
Dental Hygiene	17	100.0	0.0	0.0
Drafting Technology	6	50.0	0.0	50.0
Early Childhood Education	2	100.0	0.0	0.0
Electrical Technology	11	81.8	0.0	18.2
Electronics Technology	15	73.3	0.0	26.7
Emergency Medical Technology	29	41.4	24.1	34.5
Fashion Merchandising	5	80.0	0.0	20.0
Fire Science	3	66.7	33.3	0.0
Health Occupations	11	72.7	0.0	27.3
HVAC Technology	9	100.0	0.0	0.0
Hospitality Management	11	90.9	9.1	0.0
Hotel Management	1	100.0	0.0	0.0
Information Technology	53	79.2	1.9	18.9
Interior Design	14	71.4	0.0	28.6
Interpreter Training	13	100.0	0.0	0.0
Legal Nurse Consultant	11	100.0	0.0	0.0
Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN)	21	71.4	0.0	28.6
Marketing & Management	5	60.0	0.0	40.0
Metal Fabrication	1	100.0	0.0	0.0
M.I.C.T. (Paramedic)	14	100.0	0.0	0.0
Nursing	38	94.8	2.6	2.6
Occupational Therapy Asst.	20	75.0	0.0	25.0
Paralegal	30	73.3	0.0	26.7
Radiologic Technology	8	100.0	0.0	0.0
Railroad Operations	4	100.0	0.0	0.0
Respiratory Care	13	92.3	7.7	0.0
Totals	496	80.2%	2.6%	17.2%

Note. Numbers and percentages reflect responses to this question only, excluding unknowns.



•	Number of Responses	Percent
Length of Time on Current Job		
Less than 1 year	190	58.1%
1 to 2 years	56	17.1
2 to 4 years	28	8.6
Over 4 years	48	14.7
Unknown	5	1.5
First Full-Time Job in		
Career Field	191	58.4%
Yes	136	41.6
No	130	41.0
Hourly Wage of Respondents Employed Full-Time in Related Job		
Under \$10.00 per hour	42	12.8%
10.01 - 11.00	20	6.1
11.01 - 12.00	21	6.4
12.01 - 13.00	24	7.3
13.01 - 14.00	24	7.3
14.01 - 15.00	39	11.9
15.01 - 20.00	75	22.9
Over 20.00	52	15.9
Unknown	30	9.4
Class of 1999 average wa	age = \$15.99 (\$33,259/year)	
·	S14.56 (\$30,285/year)	
Class of $1997 = 9$	S13.92 (\$28,954/year)	
Class of $1996 = 9$	\$13.58 (\$28,246/year)	
Class of $1995 = 9$	\$12.81 (\$26,645/year)	
Class of $1994 = 9$	\$12.18 (\$25,334/year)	
Class of $1993 = 3$	\$11.86 (\$24,669/year)	
·	\$11.47 (\$23,858/year)	
Class of $1991 = 9$	\$11.28 (\$23,462/year)	
	\$10.67 (\$22,194/year)	
Class of $1989 = 9$	\$10.36 (\$21,549/year)	
	\$9.90 (\$20,592/year)	



Table 5

CURRENT EMPLOYMENT STATUS OF RESPONDENTS WORKING IN RELATED JOB

	Number of Responses	Part-Time	Full-Time
Accounting	8	12.5%	87.5%
Administration of Justice	1	0.0	100.0
Automotive Technology	4	25.0	75.0
Business Administration	4	50.0	50.0
Business Entrepreneurship	1	0.0	100.0
Business Office Technology	15	6.7	93.3
Chef Apprentice	8	0.0	100.0
Civil Engineering Technology	5	0.0	100.0
Communication Design	10	10.0	90.0
Computer Information Systems	26	11.5	88.5
Construction Management	1	0.0	100.0
Cosmetology	16	6.3	93.8
Dental Hygiene	17	5.9	94.1
Drafting Technology	3	0.0	100.0
Early Childhood Education	2	50.0	50.0
Electrical Technology	. 9	11.1	88.9
Electronics Technology	11	18.2	81.8
Emergency Medical Technology	14	28.6	71.4
Fashion Merchandising	5	40.0	60.0
Fire Science	2	0.0	100.0
HVAC Technology	. 9	0.0	100.0
Health Occupations	7	28.6	71.4
Hospitality Management	10	10.0	90.0
Hotel Management	1	. 0.0	100.0
Information Technology	. 41	17.1	82.9
Interior Design	11	36.4	63.6
Interpreter Training	13	38.5	61.5
Legal Nurse Consultant	11	18.2	81.8
Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN)	14	64.3	35.7
Marketing & Management	4	50.0	50.0
M.I.C.T. (Paramedic)	14	0.0	100.0
Metal Fabrication	1	0.0	100.0
Nursing	36	19.4	80.6
Occupational Therapy Asst.	15	26.7	73.3
Paralegal	23	4.3	95.7
Radiologic Technology	7	14.3	85.7
Railroad Operations	4	0.0	100.0
Respiratory Care	11	9.1	90.9
Totals	394	17.0%	83.0%

Note. Numbers and percentages reflect responses to this question only, excluding unknowns.



Table 6

CURRENT RELATED JOB ATTAINED PRIOR TO ATTENDING JCCC

•	Number of		
	Responses	Yes	No
·			
Accounting	8	37.5%	62.5%
Administration of Justice	1	100.0	0.0
Automotive Technology	4	25.0	75.0
Business Administration	4	25.0	75.0
Business Entrepreneurship	1	0.0	100.0
Business Office Technology	15	33.3	66.7
Chef Apprentice	8	12.5	87.5
Civil Engineering Technology	5	40.0	60.0
Communication Design	10	10.0	90.0
Computer Information Systems	26	23.1	76.9
Construction Management	1	100.0	0.0
Cosmetology	16	37.5	62.5
Dental Hygiene	. 17	23.5	76.5
Drafting Technology	3	33.3	66.7
Early Childhood Education	2 .	50.0	50.0
Electrical Technology	. 9	55.6	44.4
Electronics Technology	11	45.5	54.5
Emergency Medical Technology	14	28.6	71.4
Fashion Merchandising	5	20.0	80.0
Fire Science	2	50.0	50.0
Health Occupations	. 7	57.1	42.9
HVAC Technology	9	33.3	66.7
Hospitality Management	9	11.1	88.9
Hotel Management	1	0.0	100.0
Information Technology	41	26.8	73.2
Interior Design	11	9.1	90.9
Interpreter Training	13	0.0	100.0
Legal Nurse Consultant	11	81.8	18.2
Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN)	13	46.2	53.8
Marketing & Management	4	25.0	75.0
Metal Fabrication	1	100.0	0.0
M.I.C.T. (Paramedic)	14	64.3	35.7
Nursing	36	13.9	86.1
Occupational Therapy Asst.	15	20.0	80.0
Paralegal	23	26.1	73.9
Radiologic Technology	7	0.0	100.0
Railroad Operations	4	0.0	100.0
Respiratory Care	. 11	9.1	90.9
Totals	392	28.3%	71.7%



Table 7

JOB HUNTING EXPERIENCES

·	Number of Responses	Percent
Used JCCC Career Center Services While Attending JCCC		
Yes	257	51.7%
No	239	48.1
Unknown	1	0.2
Other Assistance With Job Search ¹		
Got the job myself, no help	211	59.3%
Family and/or friends	71	19.9
Career program administrators and/or instructors	54	15.2
Instruction or workshops on resume writing,		
interviewing skills, etc.	27	7.6
Other job placement services	17	4.8
Community college job placement services	15	4.2
Other	24	6.7
Interested in Serving as "Career Connections" Volunteer		
volunteer		
Yes	192	38.6%
PossiblyCall with more information	56	11.3
No	238	47.9
Unknown	11	2.2

¹ <u>Note</u>. Results provided for employed respondents only. Multiple response item; numbers and percentages are not additive.



Table 8

AVERAGE HOURLY WAGE BY SEX AND PROGRAM
OF RESPONDENTS EMPLOYED FULL-TIME IN RELATED JOB

	Number of Responses	Overall Average Wage	Males	Females
Accounting	7	\$13.45	+,-	\$13.45
Administration of Justice	1	15.00	-,-	15.00
Automotive Technology	3	10.67	\$10.67	
Business Administration	2	15.50	15.50	-
Business Entrepreneurship	· 1	12.00	-,-	12.00
Business Office Technology	14	12.93	10.00	13.17
Chef Apprentice	8	11.43	11.24	11.63
Civil Engineering Technology	5	19.60	19.60	-,-
Communication Design	9	13.47	14.67	12.88
Computer Information Systems	23	18.95	21.10	17.45
Construction Management	1	15.00	15.00	-,-
Cosmetology	15	13.23	-,-	13.23
Dental Hygiene	16	24.68		24.68
Drafting Technology	3	13.33	13.75	12.50
Early Childhood Education	1	8.06		8.06
Electrical Technology	8	19.09	19.09	-,-
Electronics Technology	9	15.84	15.94	15.00
Emergency Medical Technology	10	11.39	11.12	11.65
Fashion Merchandising	3	9.50		9.50
Fire Science	2	12.50	12.50	
HVAC Technology	9	14.99	14.99	-,-
Health Occupations	5	9.73	7.00	10.41
Hospitality Management	9	11.59	12.26	10.25
Hotel Management	1	14.00	0.0	14.00
Information Technology	34	18.11	18.88	15.82
Interior Design	7	11.18		11.18
Interpreter Training	8	15.43	16.67	14.51
Legal Nurse Consultant	9 .	27.82	18.27	28.87
Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN)	5	11.64	10.50	11.93
Marketing & Management	2	11.95	15.39	8.50
Metal Fabrication	1	14.15	14.15	
M.I.C.T. (Paramedic)	14	14.10	15.25	12.25
Nursing	29	17.49	-,-	17.49
Occupational Therapy Asst.	11	13.25	17.00	12.88
Paralegal	22	14.35	-,-	14.35
Radiologic Technology	. 6	14.58	15.00	14.50
Railroad Operations	4	22.97	22.97	-,-
Respiratory Care	10	15.14	16.37	14.52
Totals	327	\$15.99	\$16.49	\$15.55



Table 9 AVERAGE HOURLY ENTRY-LEVEL WAGE OF RESPONDENTS EMPLOYED FULL-TIME IN RELATED JOB

	Number of Responses	Average Hourly Wage
Accounting	-3	\$12.60
Automotive Technology	3	10.67
Business Entrepreneurship	1	12.00
Business Office Technology	5	12.71
Chef Apprentice	6	11.33
Civil Engineering Technology	1	11.50
Communication Design	5	13.75
Computer Information Systems	13	18.86
Cosmetology	7	10.67
Dental Hygiene	16	24.68
Drafting Technology	1	12.50
Electrical Technology	3	12.75
Electronics Technology	6	15.41
Emergency Medical Technology	7	10.18
Fashion Merchandising	2	9.25
Health Occupations	1	10.83
HVAC Technology	4	13.75
Hospitality Management	6	11.51
Hotel Management	1	14.00
Information Technology	18	16.58
Interior Design	2	11.00
Interpreter Training	7	15.01
Legal Nurse Consultant	2	21.64
Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN)	2	11.00
Marketing & Management	1	15.39
M.I.C.T. (Paramedic)	6	12.21
Nursing	23	17.48
Occupational Therapy	11	13.25
Paralegal	14	13.35
Radiologic Technology	5	14.40
Respiratory Care	. 8	14.37
Totals	190	\$15.39

Note. Entry-level wage is defined as earnings of respondents employed in current job one year or less. Results detail responses to this question only, excluding unknowns.



Table 10

EVALUATION OF WORKING CONDITIONS BY RESPONDENTS EMPLOYED FULL-TIME IN RELATED JOB

	Number of Responses	Excellent or Good	Average	Fair or Poor
			0.00	1429
Accounting	7	85.7%	0.0%	14.3%
Administration of Justice	1	100.0	0.0	0.0
Automotive Technology	3	66.7	33.3	0.0
Business Administration	2	50.0	0.0	50.0
Business Entrepreneurship	1	100.0	0.0	0.0
Business Office Technology	14	78.6	7.1	14.3
Chef Apprentice	8	75.0	25.0	0.0
Civil Engineering Technology	5	60.0	40.0	0.0
Communication Design	9	100.0	0.0	0.0
Computer Information Systems	23	78.3	8.7	13.0
Construction Management	1	100.0	0.0	0.0
Cosmetology	15	73.3	13.3	13.3
Dental Hygiene	16	93.8	6.2	0.0
Drafting Technology	3	100.0	0.0	0.0
Early Childhood Education	1	100.0	0.0	0.0
Electrical Technology	8	75.0	25.0	0.0
Electronics Technology	9	88.9	11.1	0.0
Emergency Medical Technology	10	90.0	10.0	0.0
Fashion Merchandising	3	66.7	0.0	33.3
Fire Science	2	50.0	0.0	50.0
Health Occupations	5	80.0	0.0	20.0
HVAC Technology	9	77.8	22.2	0.0
Hospitality Management	· 9	88.9	11.1	0.0
Hotel Management	1	100.0	0.0	0.0
Information Technology	34	85.3	11.8	2.9
Interior Design	7	71.4	28.6	0.0
Interpreter Training	. 8	100.0	0.0	0.0
Legal Nurse Consultant	9	55.6	11.1	33.3
Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN)	5	80.0	0.0	20.0
Marketing & Management	2	50.0	0.0	50.0
Metal Fabrication	1	100.0	0.0	0.0
M.I.C.T. (Paramedic)	14	85.8	7.1	7.1
Nursing	28	89.3	7.1	3.6
Occupational Therapy Asst.	11	81.8	9.1	9.1
Paralegal	22	77.3	18.2	4.5
Radiologic Technology	6	100.0	0.0	0.0
Railroad Operations	4	25.0	25.0	50.0
Respiratory Care	10	90.0	10.0	0.0
Totals	326	81.9%	10.7%	7.4%



Table 11

EVALUATION OF JOB RESPONSIBILITY BY RESPONDENTS EMPLOYED FULL-TIME IN RELATED JOB

	Number of Responses	Excellent or Good	Average	Fair or Poor
Accounting	7	85.7%	0.0%	14.3%
Administration of Justice	1	100.0	0.0	0.0
Automotive Technology	3	33.3	33.3	33.3
Business Administration	2	100.0	0.0	0.0
Business Entrepreneurship	. 1	100.0	0.0	0.0
Business Office Technology	14	78.6	7.1	14.3
Chef Apprentice	8	50.0	37.5	12.5
Civil Engineering Technology	5	40.0	40.0	20.0
Communication Design	9	77.8	22.2	0.0
Computer Information Systems	23	69.6	8.7	21.7
Construction Management	1	100.0	0.0	0.0
Cosmetology	15	80.0	13.3	6.7
Dental Hygiene	16	87.5	12.5	0.0
Drafting Technology	3	66.7	33.3	0.0
Early Childhood Education	. 1	0.0	100.0	. 0.0
Electrical Technology	8	62.5	37.5	0.0
Electronics Technology	9	77.8	0.0	22.2
Emergency Medical Technology	10	100.0	0.0	0.0
Fashion Merchandising	3	66.7	33.3	0.0
Fire Science	2	50.0	0.0	50.0
Health Occupations	5	100.0	0.0	0:0
HVAC Technology	9	100.0	0.0	0.0
Hospitality Management	9	88.9	11.1	0.0
Hotel Management	1	100.0	0.0	0.0
Information Technology	34	82.4	14.7	2.9
Interior Design	7	100.0	0.0	0.0
Interpreter Training	8	87.5	12.5	0.0
Legal Nurse Consultant	9 5	66.7 60.0	33.3 40.0	0.0
Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN)	2	100.0	. 0.0	0.0
Marketing & Management Metal Fabrication	1	100.0	0.0	0.0
M.I.C.T. (Paramedic)	14	92.9	7.1	0.0
Nursing	28	96.4	3.6	0.0
Occupational Therapy Asst.	11	72.7	18.2	9.1
Paralegal	22	72.7 72.7	22.7	4.6
Radiologic Technology	6	100.0	0.0	0.0
Railroad Operations	. 4	100.0	0.0	0.0
Respiratory Care	10	80.0	10.0	10.0
Totals	326	81.0%	13.2%	5.8%



Table 12

EVALUATION OF ADVANCEMENT POTENTIAL BY RESPONDENTS EMPLOYED FULL-TIME IN RELATED JOB

	Number of Responses	Excellent or Good	Average	Fair or Poor
Accounting	· 7	57.1%	14.3%	28.6%
Administration of Justice	1	100.0	0.0	0.0
Automotive Technology	3	66.7	33.3	0.0
Business Administration	2	50.0	0.0	50.0
Business Entrepreneurship	1	100.0	0.0	0.0
Business Office Technology	14	50.0	14.3	. 35.7
Chef Apprentice	8	37.5	12.5	50.0
Civil Engineering Technology	5	60.0	20.0	20.0
Communication Design	9	66.7	11.1	22.2
Computer Information Systems	23	39.1	30.4	30.4
Construction Management	1	100.0	0.0	0.0
Cosmetology	14	78.6	14.3	7.1
Dental Hygiene	15	60.0	13.3	26.7
Drafting Technology	3	0.0	66.7	33.3
Early Childhood Education	1_	0.0	0.0	100.0
Electrical Technology	7	57.1	28.6	14.3
Electronics Technology	9	66.7	0.0	33.3
Emergency Medical Technology	10	70.0	10.0	20.0 33.3
Fashion Merchandising	3	66.7 100.0	0.0 0.0	0.0
Fire Science	2 5	60.0	20.0	20.0
Health Occupations	9	77.8	0.0	22.2
HVAC Technology	9	77.8 77.8	0.0	22.2
Hospitality Management	1	100.0	0.0	0.0
Hotel Management Information Technology	33	72.7	9.1	18.2
Interior Design	7	71.4	14.3	14.3
Interpreter Training	8	25.0	50.0	25.0
Legal Nurse Consultant	9	33.3	33.3	33.3
Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN)	5	80.0	0.0	20.0
Marketing & Management	2	50.0	0.0	50.0
Metal Fabrication	1	0.0	0.0	100.0
M.I.C.T. (Paramedic)	14	57.2	21.4	21.4
Nursing	28	53.6	25.0	21.4
Occupational Therapy Asst.	11	36.4	45.5	18.1
Paralegal	22	40.9	27.3	31.8
Radiologic Technology	6	83.3	0.0	16.7
Railroad Operations	4	25.0	25.0	50.0
Respiratory Care	10	50.0	20.0	30.0
Totals	322	56.8%	18.4%	24.8%



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Table 13

EVALUATION OF SALARY BY
RESPONDENTS EMPLOYED FULL-TIME IN RELATED JOB

	Number of Responses	Excellent or Good	Average	Fair or Poor
Accounting	7	57.1%	42.9%	0.0%
Administration of Justice	1	100.0	0.0	0.0
Automotive Technology	3	0.0	33.3	66.7
Business Administration	2	0.0	50.0	50.0
Business Entrepreneurship	1	100.0	0.0	0.0
Business Office Technology	14	35.7	21.4	42.9
Chef Apprentice	8	50.0	37.5	12.5
Civil Engineering Technology	5	60.0	20.0	20.0
Communication Design	9	66.7	11.1	22.2
Computer Information Systems	23	56.6	21.7	21.7
Construction Management	1	100.0	0.0	0.0
Cosmetology	15	66.6	26.7	6.7
Dental Hygiene	16	87.5	12.5	0.0
Drafting Technology	3	66.7	33.3	0.0
Early Childhood Education	1	0.0	0.0	100.0
Electrical Technology	8	50.0	50.0	0.0
Electronics Technology	. 9	55.6	11.1	33.3
Emergency Medical Technology	10	60.0	20.0	20.0
Fashion Merchandising Fire Science	3	66.7	0.0	33.3
Health Occupations	2 5	50.0 20.0	0.0 80.0	50.0
HVAC Technology	9	77.8	0.0	0.0 22.2
Hospitality Management	9	88.9	11.1	0.0
Hotel Management	ĺ	100.0	0.0	0.0
Information Technology	34	64.7	20.6	14.7
Interior Design	7	42.8	28.6	28.6
Interpreter Training	. 8	75.0	12.5	12.5
Legal Nurse Consultant	9	66.7	11.1	22.2
Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN)	5	80.0	0.0	20.0
Marketing & Management	2	50.0	0.0	50.0
Metal Fabrication	1	0.0	100.0	0.0
M.I.C.T. (Paramedic)	14	42.9	35.7	21.4
Nursing	28	60.7	28.6	10.7
Occupational Therapy Asst.	. 11	54.5	18.2	27.3
Paralegal	22	54.6	31.8	13.6
Radiologic Technology	6	66.7	33.3	0.0
Railroad Operations	4	50.0	50.0	0.0
Respiratory Care	10	50.0	30.0	20.0
Totals	326	59.2%	23.9%	16.9%



Table 14

EVALUATION OF JOB IN GENERAL BY
RESPONDENTS EMPLOYED FULL-TIME IN RELATED JOB

	Number of Responses	Excellent or Good	Average	Fair or Poor
Accounting	7	71.4%	0.0%	28.6%
Administration of Justice	1	100.0	0.0	0.0
Automotive Technology	3	66.7	33.3	0.0
Business Administration	2	50.0	50.0	0.0
Business Entrepreneurship	1	100.0	0.0	0.0
Business Office Technology	14	78.6	7.1	14.3
Chef Apprentice	8	62.5	25.0	12.5
Civil Engineering Technology	5	80.0	20.0	0.0
Communication Design	9	88.9	11.1	0.0
Computer Information Systems	23	78.3	4.3	17.4
Construction Management	1	100.0	0.0	0.0
Cosmetology	15	80.0	13.3	6.7
Dental Hygiene	16	93.8	6.3	0.0
Drafting Technology	3	100.0	0.0	0.0
Early Childhood Education	1	100.0	0.0	0.0
Electrical Technology	8	75.0	25.0	0.0
Electronics Technology	9	66.7	11.1	22.2
Emergency Medical Technology	10	70.0	30.0	0.0
Fashion Merchandising	3	66.7	0.0	33.3
Fire Science	2	100.0	. 0.0	0.0
Health Occupations	5 .	100.0	0.0	0.0
HVAC Technology	9	66.7	33.3	0.0
Hospitality Management	9	100.0	0.0	0.0
Hotel Management	1	100.0	0.0	0.0
Information Technology	33	84.8	12.1	3.1
Interior Design	7	85.7	0.0	14.3
Interpreter Training	8	100.0	0.0	0.0
Legal Nurse Consultant	9	66.7	11.1	22.2
Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN)	5	60.0	20.0	20.0
Marketing & Management	2	50.0	50.0	0.0
Metal Fabrication	$\overline{1}$	0.0	100.0	0.0
M.I.C.T. (Paramedic)	14	85.7	14.3	0.0
Nursing	28	85.7	10.7	3.6
Occupational Therapy Asst.	11	81.8	9.1	9.1
Paralegal	22	72.7	18.2	9.1
Radiologic Technology	6	83.3	16.7	0.0
Railroad Operations	4	50.0	50.0	0.0
Respiratory Care	10	90.0	0.0	10.0
Totals	325	80.3%	12.6%	7.1%

Note. Numbers and percentages reflect responses to this question only, excluding unknowns.



Table 15
SATISFACTION WITH FULL-TIME RELATED JOB

·	Number of	Number of Very/Somewhat		Somewhat/Ver	
-	Responses	Satisfied	Neutral	Dissatisfied	
Accounting	7	57.1%	14.3%	28.6%	
Administration of Justice	1	0.0	0.0	100.0	
Automotive Technology	3	100.0	0.0	0.0	
Business Administration	2	50.0	50.0	0.0	
Business Entrepreneurship	1	100.0	0.0	0.0	
Business Office Technology	14	71.4	7.1	21.5	
Chef Apprentice	8	100.0	0.0	0.0	
Civil Engineering Technology	5	100.0	0.0	0.0	
Communication Design	9	88.9	11.1	0.0	
Computer Information Systems	23	78.3	13.0	8.7	
Construction Management	1	100.0	0.0	0.0	
Cosmetology	15	100.0	0.0	0.0	
Dental Hygiene	16	68.8	12.4	18.8	
Drafting Technology	3	66.7	0.0	33.3	
Early Childhood Education	1	100.0	0.0	0.0	
Electrical Technology	8	87.5	12.5	0.0	
Electronics Technology	9 10	66.7 90.0	22.2	11.1	
Emergency Medical Technology Fashion Merchandising		33.3	10.0 33.3	0.0 33.3	
Fire Science	3 2	100.0	0.0	0.0	
Health Occupations	5	80.0	0.0	20.0	
HVAC Technology	9	88.9	0.0	11.1	
Hospitality Management	9	88.9	0.0	11.1	
Hotel Management	1	100.0	0.0	0.0	
Information Technology	34	91.2	8.8	0.0	
Interior Design	7	85.7	0.0	14.3	
Interpreter Training	8	100.0	0.0	0.0	
Legal Nurse Consultant	9	66.7	0.0	33.3	
Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN)	5	60.0	20.0	20.0	
Marketing & Management	2	50.0	50.0	0.0	
Metal Fabrication	1	100.0	0.0	0.0	
M.I.C.T. (Paramedic)	14	92.9	7.1	0.0	
Nursing	29	89.7	0.0	10.3	
Occupational Therapy Asst.	11	81.8	18.2	0.0	
Paralegal	22	81.8	0.0	18.2	
Radiologic Technology	6	83.3	16.7	0.0	
Railroad Operations	4	75.0	0.0	25.0	
Respiratory Care	10	100.0	0.0	0.0	
Totals	327	83.8%	7.0%	9.2%	

Note. Numbers and percentages reflect responses to this question only, excluding unknowns.



Table 16

COMMUNITY COLLEGE EXPERIENCES

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7 or 8 9 or more Unknown Mean = 5.0; Median = 4.0	170	34.2
9 or more Unknown Mean = 5.0; Median = 4.0	117	23.5
Unknown Mean = 5.0; Median = 4.0	38	7.6
Mean = 5.0 ; Median = 4.0	46	9.3
,	37	7.5
Credit Hours Completed		
15 or less	25	5.0%
16 to 30	55 .	11.1
31 to 45	51	10.3
46 to 60	47	9.5
60 or more		38.0
Unknown	189	26.1
Mean = 57.0 ; Median = 63.0	189 130	



Table 17

COMMUNITY COLLEGE EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVE

	Number of Responses	Percent
riginal Educational Objective		
Prepare to enter job market	174	35.0%
Prepare to change careers	.118	23.7
Improve skills for present job	66	13.3
Prepare to transfer	75	15.1
Explore career possibilities	30	6.0
Study topics of interest/self-improvement	25	5.0
Remedy or review basic skills	4	0.8
Other/unknown	5	1.1
chieved Community College Objective		
Yes, completely	377	75.9%
Yes, partially	97	19.5
No	22	4.4
Unknown	1	0.2
Community College Helped Achieve	•	
Yes	438	92.4%
Unsure	15	3.2
No	13	2.7
Unknown	8	1.7



OVERALL SATISFACTION WITH THE COMMUNITY COLLEGE

	Number of Responses	Percent
JCCC Was First Choice to Attend		
Yes	450 47	90.5% 9.5
No	47	7.3
Improved Quality of Life		
Definitely/probably	454	91.3%
Uncertain	23	4.6
Probably no/definitely no	· 19	3.8
Unknown	1	0.3
If Starting Now, Would Attend JCCC Again		÷
Definitely/probably	457	92.0%
Uncertain	19	3.8
Probably no/definitely no	19	3.8
Unknown	2	0.4
Would Recommend JCCC to Friends		
Yes	477	96.0%
Unsure	11 .	2.2
No	7	1.4
Unknown	2	0.4
Would Encourage Own Children to Attend JCCC		·
Voc	431	86.7%
Yes Unsure	45	9.1
No	18	3.6
Unknown	. 3	0.6



Table 19

PERCEPTIONS OF
COMMUNITY COLLEGE EXPERIENCES

	Number of Responses	Somewhat or Totally Agree	Neutral	Somewhat or Totally Disagree
Enhanced self-confidence	491	79.8%	15.9%	4.3%
Improved decision-making skills	492	74.6	20.9	4.5
Broadened knowledge of arts and sciences	484	72.9	22. i	5.0
Assisted in clarifying personal values and goals	491	71.3	21.0	7.7
Improved time management skills	490	70.0	23.9	6.1
Improved oral communication	490	68.2	26.7	5.1
Expanded tolerance for people and ideas	492	64.4	30.1	5.5
Improved written communication	486	64.2	29.0	6.8
Improved interpersonal skills	491	63.1	30.1	6.7

Note. Results detail responses to this question only, excluding unknowns.



Table 20
SATISFACTION WITH VARIOUS
ASPECTS OF COLLEGE

	Number of Responses	Very/Somewhat Satisfied	Neutral	Somewhat/Very Dissatisfied
Course content	493	91.3%	5.7%	3.0%
Facilities and equipment	492	90.7	7.9	1.4
Helpfulness/individual attention of faculty	492	88.6	7.3	4.1
Quality of instruction	492	87.0	8.3	4.7
Variety of courses	491	84.9	12.4	2.7
Convenience of class scheduling	492	81.5	10.8	7.7
Usefulness/relevance of coursework	482	80.9	14.1	5.0
Registration process	494	78.3	14.6	7.1
Academic advisement and counseling	473	65.4	26.6	8.0
Career or transfer preparation	450	63.3	30.0	6.7
Availability of scholarships and financial aid	437	46.9	45.1	8.0
Job placement services (users only)	211	36.5	48.8	14.7

Note. Results detail responses to this question only, excluding unknowns.



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Table 21

SATISFACTION WITH VARIETY OF
COURSES OFFERED AT THE COMMUNITY COLLEGE

	Number of	Very/Somewhat		Somewhat/Very
	Responses	Satisfied	Neutral	Dissatisfied
Accounting	10	90.0%	0.0%	10.0%
Administration of Justice	3	66.7	0.0	33.3
Automotive Technology	5	60.0	40.0	0.0
Business Administration	. 5	60.0	20.0	20.0
Business Entrepreneurship	4	100.0	0.0	0.0
Business Office Technology	21	95.2	4.8	0.0
Chef Apprentice	8	100.0	0.0	0.0
Civil Engineering Technology	5	80.0	20.0	0.0
Communication Design	12	83.4	8.3	8.3
Computer Information Systems	34	85.3	11.8	2.9
Construction Management	1	100.0	0.0	0.0
Cosmetology	20	65.0	30.0	5.0
Dental Hygiene	17	88.2	11.8	0.0
Drafting Technology	6	83.3	0.0	16.7
Early Childhood Education	2	100.0	0.0	0.0
Electrical Technology	11	90.9	9.1	0.0
Electronics Technology	15	93.3	6.7	0.0
Emergency Medical Technology	28	82.1	17.9	0.0
Fashion Merchandising	5	80.0	20.0	0.0
Fire Science	3	66.7	0.0	33.3
Health Occupations	10	80.0	20.0	0.0
HVAC Technology	10	90.0	10.0	0.0
Hospitality Management	11	90.9	9.1	0.0
Hotel Management	1	100.0	0.0	0.0
Information Technology	53	88.7	9.4	1.9
Interior Design	14	71.4	14.3	14.3
Interpreter Training	13	76.9	23.1	0.0
Legal Nurse Consultant	11	100.0	0.0	0.0
Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN)	21	95.2	4.8	0.0
Marketing & Management	5	80.0	20.0	0.0
Metal Fabrication	1	100.0	0.0	0.0
M.I.C.T. (Paramedic)	14	57.1	42.9	0.0
Nursing	37	97.3	2.7	0.0
Occupational Therapy Asst.	20	55.0	45.0	0.0
Paralegal	30	93.4	3.3	3.3
Radiologic Technology	8	87.5	12.5	0.0
Railroad Operations	4	75.0	25.0	0.0
Respiratory Care	13	92.3	0.0	7.7
Totals	491	84.7%	12.4%	2.9%



Table 22

SATISFACTION WITH HELPFULNESS AND INDIVIDUAL ATTENTION RECEIVED FROM FACULTY

	Number of Responses	Very/Somewh Satisfied	at Neutral	Somewhat/Very Dissatisfied
Accounting	11	72.7%	27.3%	
Administration of Justice	3	66.7	0.0	33.3
Automotive Technology	5	60.0	40.0	0.0
Business Administration	5	100.0	0.0	0.0
Business Entrepreneurship	4	100.0	. 0.0	0.0
Business Office Technology	. 21	95.2	4.8	0.0
Chef Apprentice	8	87.5	12.5	0.0
Civil Engineering Technology	5	100.0	0.0	0.0
Communication Design	12	100.0	0.0	0.0
Computer Information Systems	34	79.4	20.6	0.0
Construction Management	1	100.0	0.0	0.0
Cosmetology	21	76.2	4.8	19.0
Dental Hygiene	17	94.1	5.9	0.0
Drafting Technology	6	83.3	16.7	0.0
Early Childhood Education	2	100.0	0.0	0.0
Electrical Technology	11	90.9	9.1	0.0
Electronics Technology	15	93.3	0.0	6.7
Emergency Medical Technology	29	86.2	6.9	6.9
Fashion Merchandising	5	100.0	0.0	0.0
Fire Science	3	100.0	0.0	0.0
Health Occupations	10	100.0	0.0	0.0
HVAC Technology	10	100.0	0.0	0.0
Hospitality Management	11	90.9	9.1	0.0
Hotel Management	1	100.0	0.0	0.0
Information Technology	52	84.6	11.5	3.8
	14	71.4	7.2	21.4
Interior Design	13	100.0	0.0	0.0
Interpreter Training	11	100.0	0.0	0.0
Legal Nurse Consultant	21	85.7	9.5	4.8
Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN)	5	100.0	0.0	0.0
Marketing & Management	1	100.0	0.0	0.0
Metal Fabrication		85.7	0.0	14.3
M.I.C.T. (Paramedic)	14			
Nursing	36	94.4	2.8 5.0	2.8 5.0
Occupational Therapy Asst.	20	90.0	3.3	0.0
Paralegal	30	96.7		
Radiologic Technology	8	75.0	12.5	12.5
Railroad Operations	4	75.0	25.0	0.0
Respiratory Care	13	84.6	7.7	7.7
Totals	492	88.4%	7.3%	4.3%



Table 23
SATISFACTION WITH COURSE CONTENT

	Number of Responses	Very/Somewhat Satisfied	Neutral	Somewhat/Very Dissatisfied
Accounting	. 11	90.9%	9.1%	0.0%
Administration of Justice	3	100.0	0.0	0.0
Automotive Technology	5	80.0	20.0	0.0
Business Administration	5	80.0	0.0	20.0
Business Entrepreneurship	4	100.0	0.0	0.0
Business Office Technology	21	100.0	0.0	0.0
Chef Apprentice	8	87.5	12.5	0.0
Civil Engineering Technology	5	100.0	0.0	0.0
Communication Design	12	91.7	0.0	8.3
Computer Information Systems	34	91.2	8.8	0.0
Construction Management	1	100.0	0.0	0.0
Cosmetology	21	66.7	14.3	19.0
Dental Hygiene	17	94.1	5.9	0.0
Drafting Technology	6	100.0	0.0	0.0
Early Childhood Education	2	100.0	0.0	0.0
Electrical Technology	11	90.9	9.1	0.0
Electronics Technology	15	93.3	0.0	6.7
Emergency Medical Technology	29	96.6	0.0	3.4
Fashion Merchandising	5	80.0	20.0	0.0
Fire Science	3	66.7	33.3	0.0
Health Occupations	10	90.0	0.0	10.0
HVAC Technology	10	100.0	0.0	0.0
Hospitality Management	11	81.8	18.2	0.0
Hotel Management	1	100.0	0.0	0.0
Information Technology	52	92.3	5.8	1.9
Interior Design	14	71.4	14.3	14.3
Interpreter Training	13	84.6	15.4	0.0
Legal Nurse Consultant	11	100.0	0.0	0.0
Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN)	21	100.0	0.0	0.0
Marketing & Management	5	100.0	0.0	0.0
Metal Fabrication	1	100.0	0.0	0.0
M.I.C.T. (Paramedic)	14	92.9	0.0	7.1
Nursing	37	97.3	2.7	0.0
Occupational Therapy Asst.	20	95.0	5.0	0.0
Paralegal	30	90.0	6.7	. 3.3
Radiologic Technology	. 8	75.0	25.0	0.0
Railroad Operations	4	100.0	. 0.0	0.0
Respiratory Care	13	92.3	0.0	7.7
Totals	493	91.1%	5.7%	3.2%



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Table 24
SATISFACTION WITH QUALITY OF INSTRUCTION

	Number of Responses	Very/Somewhat Satisfied	Neutral	Somewhat/Very Dissatisfied
Accounting	11	72.7%	27.3%	0.0%
Administration of Justice	3	66.7	0.0	33.3
Automotive Technology	5	100.0	0.0	0.0
Business Administration	5	60.0	40.0	0.0
Business Entrepreneurship	4	100.0	0.0	0.0
Business Office Technology	21	95.2	4.8	0.0
Chef Apprentice	8	75.0	25.0	0.0
Civil Engineering Technology	5	100.0	0.0	0.0
Communication Design	12	100.0	0.0	0.0
Computer Information Systems	34	73.5	23.5	3.0
Construction Management	1	100.0	0.0	0.0
Cosmetology	21	61.9	9.5	28.6
Dental Hygiene	. 17	88.2	11.8	0.0
Drafting Technology	6	100.0	0.0	0.0
Early Childhood Education	2	100.0	0.0	0.0
Electrical Technology	11	90.9	9.1	0.0
Electronics Technology	15	86.7	0.0	13.3
Emergency Medical Technology	29	93.1	0.0	6.9
Fashion Merchandising	5	100.0	0.0	0.0
Fire Science	3	66.7	33.3	0.0
Health Occupations	10	90.0	0.0	10.0
HVAC Technology	. 10	100.0	0.0	0.0
Hospitality Management	11	100.0	0.0	0.0
Hotel Management	1	100.0	0.0	0.0
Information Technology	. 51	82.4	13.7	3.9
Interior Design	14	78.6	7.1	14.3
Interpreter Training	13	84.6	7.7	7.7
Legal Nurse Consultant	11	100.0	0.0	0.0
Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN)	21	100.0	0.0	0.0
Marketing & Management	5	80.0	20.0	0.0
Metal Fabrication	1	100.0	0.0	0.0
M.I.C.T. (Paramedic)	14	85.7	14.3	0.0
Nursing	37	94.6	2.7	2.7
Occupational Therapy Asst.	20	90.0	10.0	0.0
Paralegal	30	93.3	0.0	6.7
Radiologic Technology	8	37.5	50.0	12.5
Railroad Operations	4	100.0	0.0	0.0
Respiratory Care	13	92.3	0.0	7.7
Totals	492	86.8%	8.3%	4.9%



Table 25

SATISFACTION WITH USEFULNESS
AND RELEVANCE OF COURSE OF STUDY

	Number of	Very/Somewh	at	Somewhat/Very
	Responses	Satisfied	Neutral	Dissatisfied
Accounting	10	80.0%	20.0%	0.0%
Administration of Justice	3	66.7	0.0	33.3
Automotive Technology	5	60.0	40.0	0.0
Business Administration	5	60.0	40.0	0.0
Business Entrepreneurship	4	50.0	50.0	0.0
Business Office Technology	20	80.0	15.0	5.0
Chef Apprentice	8	87.5	12.5	0.0
Civil Engineering Technology	5	100.0	0.0	0.0
Communication Design	12	91.7	0.0	8.3
Computer Information Systems	31	67.7	25.8	6.5
Construction Management	. 1	100.0	0.0	0.0
Cosmetology	21	66.7	23.8	9.5
Dental Hygiene	17	100.0	0.0	0.0
Drafting Technology	6	66.7	33.3	0.0
Early Childhood Education	2	100.0	0.0	0.0
Electrical Technology	11	81.8	18.2	0.0
Electronics Technology	15	73.3	20.0	6.7
Emergency Medical Technology	28	71.4	28.6	0.0
Fashion Merchandising	5	100.0	0.0	0.0
Fire Science	3	66.7	0.0	33.3
Health Occupations	10	80.0	20.0	0.0
HVAC Technology	10	70.0	30.0	0.0
Hospitality Management	11	90.9	9.1	0.0
Hotel Management	1	100.0	0.0	0.0
Information Technology	50	74.0	16.0	10.0
Interior Design	14	57.1	28.6	14.3
Interpreter Training	13	100.0	0.0	0.0
<u> </u>	11	90.9	9.1	0.0
Legal Nurse Consultant	21	90.5	9.5	0.0
Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN)	5	40.0	40.0	20.0
Marketing & Management	1	100.0	0.0	0.0
Metal Fabrication	14	92.9	0.0	7.1
M.I.C.T. (Paramedic)	37	97.3	0.0	2.7
Nursing			5.0	5.0
Occupational Therapy Asst.	20	90.0		
Paralegal	27	77.8	11.1	11.1
Radiologic Technology	8	100.0	0.0	0.0
Railroad Operations	4	100.0	0.0	0.0
Respiratory Care	13	84.6	7.7	7.7
Totals	482	80.7%	14.1%	5.2%



Table 26
SATISFACTION WITH CAREER
OR TRANSFER PREPARATION

	Number of	Very/Somewhat		Somewhat/Very
	Responses	Satisfied	Neutral	Dissatisfied
Accounting	9	66.7%	22.2%	11.1%
Administration of Justice	2	50.0	50.0	0.0
Automotive Technology	5	80.0	20.0	0.0
Business Administration	5	40.0	40.0	20.0
Business Entrepreneurship	4	25.0	75.0	0.0
Business Office Technology	19	57.9	26.3	15.8
Chef Apprentice	8	50.0	50.0	0.0
Civil Engineering Technology	5	60.0	20.0	20.0
Communication Design	12	83.4	8.3	8.3
Computer Information Systems	30	43.3	40.0	16.7
Cosmetology	18	61.1	27.8	11.1
Dental Hygiene	14	85.8	7.1	7.1
Drafting Technology	6	33.3	66.7	0.0
Early Childhood Education	2	50.0	0.0	50.0
Electrical Technology	10	80.0	20.0	0.0
Electronics Technology	13	46.2	38.5	15.3
Emergency Medical Technology	28	71.4	17.9	10.7
Fashion Merchandising	5	80.0	20.0	0.0
Fire Science	2	100.0	0.0	0.0
Health Occupations	8	62.5	37.5	0.0
HVAC Technology	9	33.3	66.7	0.0
Hospitality Management	11	63.6	36.4	0.0
Hotel Management	1	100.0	0.0	0.0
Information Technology	45	55.6	33.3	11.1
Interior Design	14	50.0	42.9	7.1
Interpreter Training	13	76.9	23.1	0.0
Legal Nurse Consultant	. 11	63.6	36.4	0.0
Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN)	20	75.0	25.0	0.0
Marketing & Management	5	40.0	60.0	0.0
Metal Fabrication	1	0.0	100.0	0.0
M.I.C.T. (Paramedic)	14	42.9	50.0	7.1
Nursing	34	88.2	8.8	3.0
Occupational Therapy Asst.	17	58.8	41.2	0.0
Paralegal	26	65.4	34.6	0.0
Radiologic Technology	8	87.5	12.5	0.0
Railroad Operations	4	100.0	0.0	0.0
Respiratory Care	12	66.7	25.0	8.3
Totals	450	63.1%	30.0%	6.9%



Table 27
USER SATISFACTION WITH
JCCC JOB PLACEMENT SERVICES

	Number of	Very/Somewha	t	Somewhat/Very
	Responses	Satisfied	Neutral	Dissatisfied
Accounting	. 5	60.0%	40.0%	0.0%
Administration of Justice	1	0.0	100.0	0.0
Automotive Technology	1	0.0	100.0	0.0
Business Administration	2	0.0	100.0	0.0
Business Entrepreneurship	2	0.0	100.0	0.0
Business Office Technology	10	40.0	40.0	20.0
Chef Apprentice	2	100.0	0.0	0.0
Civil Engineering Technology	1	0.0	100.0	0.0
Communication Design	9	66.7	33.3	0.0
Computer Information Systems	15	26.7	46.6	26.7
Cosmetology	5	0.0	100.0	0.0
Dental Hygiene	. 5	60.0	20.0	20.0
Drafting Technology	2	0.0	100.0	0.0
Early Childhood Education	. 2	0.0	100.0	0.0
Electrical Technology	5	40.0	60.0	0.0
Electronics Technology	6	66.6	16.7	16.7
Emergency Medical Technology	6	16.7	66.6	16.7
Fashion Merchandising	. 1	100.0	0.0	0.0
Fire Science	1 .	0.0	0.0	100.0
Health Occupations	2	0.0	50.0	50.0
HVAC Technology	2	50.0	50.0	0.0
Hospitality Management	4	75.0	25.0	0.0
Information Technology	26	23.1	50.0	26.9
Interior Design	13	23.1	46.2	30.7
Interpreter Training	12	50.0	25.0	25.0
Legal Nurse Consultant	6	16.7	83.3	0.0
Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN)	10	20.0	80.0	0.0
Marketing & Management	2	0.0	100.0	0.0
M.I.C.T. (Paramedic)	2	50.0	50.0	0.0
Nursing	15	46.7	46.7	6.6
Occupational Therapy Asst.	10	30.0	40.0	30.0
Paralegal	17	47.1	41.2	11.7
Radiologic Technology	2	50.0	50.0	0.0
Railroad Operations	2	100.0	0.0	0.0
Respiratory Care	5	60.0	40.0	0.0
Totals	211	36.5%	48.8%	14.7%



Table 28

SATISFACTION WITH FACILITIES AND EQUIPMENT

	Number of	ber of Very/Somewhat Some		
	Responses	Satisfied	Neutral	Dissatisfied
Accounting	11	100.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Administration of Justice	3	100.0	0.0	0.0
Automotive Technology	5	100.0	0.0	0.0
Business Administration	5	60.0	40.0	0.0
Business Entrepreneurship	4	75.0	25.0	0.0
Business Office Technology	21	95.2	4.8	0.0
Chef Apprentice	8	87.5	12.5	0.0
Civil Engineering Technology	5	100.0	0.0	0.0
Communication Design	12	100.0	0.0	0.0
Computer Information Systems	34	94.1	5.9	0.0
Construction Management	1	100.0	0.0	0.0
Cosmetology	21	90.5	0.0	9.5
Dental Hygiene	17	82.4	17.6	0.0
Drafting Technology	6	83.3	16.7	0.0
Early Childhood Education	2	50.0	50.0	0.0
Electrical Technology	11	90.9	9.1	0.0
Electronics Technology	· 15	93.3	0.0	6.7
Emergency Medical Technology	28	89.3	7.1	3.6
Fashion Merchandising	5	80.0	20.0	0.0
Fire Science	3	100.0	0.0	0.0
Health Occupations	10	80.0	20.0	0.0
HVAC Technology	10	80.0	20.0	0.0
Hospitality Management	11	81.8	18.2	0.0
Hotel Management	1	100.0	0.0	0.0
Information Technology	. 52	92.2	3.9	3.9
Interior Design	14	92.9	7.1	0.0
Interpreter Training	13	100.0	0.0	0.0
Legal Nurse Consultant	11	72.7	27.3	0.0
Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN)	21	100.0	0.0	0.0
Marketing & Management	5	100.0	0.0	0.0
Metal Fabrication	1	100.0	0.0	0.0
M.I.C.T. (Paramedic)	14	92.9	7.1	0.0
Nursing	37	91.9	8.1	0.0
Occupational Therapy Asst.	20	85.0	15.0	0.0
Paralegal	30	93.3	6.7	0.0
Radiologic Technology	8	87.5	12.5	0.0
Railroad Operations	4	100.0	0.0	0.0
Respiratory Care	13	84.6	7.7	7.7
Totals	492	90.5%	7.9%	1.6%



Table 29

CURRENT EDUCATIONAL PROFILE

	Number of Responses	Percent
urrently Enrolled		
Yes	153	30.8%
No	340	68.4
Unknown	4	0.8
Where		
JCCC	76	49.7%
University of Kansas	10	6.5
Ottawa University	3	2.0
Platt College	3	2.0
Webster University	3	2.0
Kansas State University	2	1.3
Pittsburg State University	2	1.3
Other Kansas community colleges	3	2.0
Other Kansas universities	2	1.3
University of Missouri, Kansas City	3	2.0
Park College	2	1.3
Metropolitan Community Colleges	4	2.7
Other Missouri universities	2	1.3
Out-of-area colleges/universities	8	5.2
On-the-job training	24	15.7
Unknown	6	3.7



Table 30
FUTURE EDUCATIONAL PLANS

·	Number of Responses	Percent
lan to Enroll Again		
Yes	265	53.3%
Unsure	95	19.1
No	135	27.2
Unknown	2	0.4
Where		
JCCC	141	53.2%
University of Kansas	22	8.3
Webster University	4	1.5
Ottawa University	3	1.1
Platt College	3	1.1
Fort Scott Community College	2	0.8
Emporia State University	2	0.8
Pittsburg State University	2	0.8
Other Kansas 4-year college/university	5	1.9
University of Missouri, Kansas City	7.	2.6
Central Missouri State University	3	1.1
DeVry	2	0.8
Metropolitan Community Colleges	2	0.8
Park College	1	0.4
Out-of-area college/university	20	7.5
On-the-job training	21	7.9
Unknown	25	9.4



APPENDIX B

TABLED FINDINGS FOR

EMPLOYER SURVEY



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Table 31

PROFILE OF FIRMS EMPLOYING 1998-99
CAREER PROGRAM COMPLETERS IN
JOBS RELATED TO THEIR COURSE OF STUDY

	Number of Responses	Percent
otal Number of Employees		
1 to 5	9	5.5%
6 to 10	9	5.5
11 to 25	20	12.2
26 to 50	27	16.5
51 to 100	26	15.8
101 to 250	21	12.8
251 to 500	13	7.9
501 and over	18	11.0
Unknown	21	12.8
mployees in Department/Division		
Under 10	46	28.0%
Under 10 11 to 30	46 34	28.0% 20.7
11 to 30	34	20.7
11 to 30 31 to 50	34 26	20.7 15.9
11 to 30 31 to 50 Over 50	34 26 27	20.7 15.9 16.5
11 to 30 31 to 50 Over 50 Unknown nticipate Hiring in Same Career Field Within 3-5 Years	34 26 27	20.7 15.9 16.5 18.9
11 to 30 31 to 50 Over 50 Unknown nticipate Hiring in Same Career	34 26 27 31	20.7 15.9 16.5



Table 32
EMPLOYER EVALUATION OF

JOB-RELATED CONCEPTUAL KNOWLEDGE

	Number of Responses	Very Good/ Good	Average	Poor/ Very Poor
Accounting	4	100.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Administration of Justice	1	100.0	0.0	0.0
Automotive Technology	3	100.0	0.0	0.0
Business Office Technology	7	100.0	0.0	0.0
Chef Apprentice	5	100.0	0.0	0.0
Civil Engineering Technology	2	100.0	0.0	0.0
Communication Design	6	83.3	16.7	0.0
Computer Information Systems	10	90.0	10.0	0.0
Construction Management	1	100.0	0.0	0.0
Cosmetology	8	100.0	0.0	0.0
Dental Hygiene	11	100.0	0.0	0.0
Drafting Technology	2	100.0	0.0	0.0
Early Childhood Education	2	100.0	0.0	0.0
Electrical Technology	4	75.0	25.0	0.0
Electronics Technology	4	75.0	25.0	0.0
Emergency Medical Technology	4	100.0	0.0	0.0
Fashion Merchandising	2	100.0	0.0	0.0
Fire Science	1	100.0	0.0	0.0
Health Occupations	2	50.0	50.0	0.0
HVAC Technology	5	100.0	0.0	0.0
Hospitality Management	4	75.0	25.0	0.0
Information Technology	8	87.5	12.5	0.0
Interior Design	1	0.0	100.0	0.0
Interpreter Training	10	100.0	0.0	0.0
Legal Nurse Consultant	3	100.0	0.0	0.0
Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN)	9	88.9	0.0	11.1
M.I.C.T. (Paramedic)	5	60.0	0.0	40.0
Nursing	16	87.5	12.5	0.0
Occupational Therapy Asst.	4	100.0	0.0	0.0
Paralegal	6	100.0	0.0	0.0
Radiologic Technology	5	100.0	0.0	0.0
Railroad Operations	1	100.0	0.0	0.0
Respiratory Care	6	100.0	0.0	0.0
Totals	162	92.0%	6.2%	1.8%

Note. Results detail responses to this question only, excluding unknowns.



Table 33

EMPLOYER EVALUATION OF
JOB-RELATED TECHNICAL KNOWLEDGE

	Number of Responses	Very Good/ Good	Average	Poor/ Very Poor
Accounting	4	100.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Administration of Justice	1	100.0	0.0	0.0
Automotive Technology	3	66.7	33.3	0.0
Business Office Technology	7	85.7	14.3	0.0
Chef Apprentice	5	100.0	0.0	0.0
Civil Engineering Technology	2	100.0	0.0	0.0
Communication Design	6	100.0	0.0	0.0
Computer Information Systems	10	100.0	0.0	0.0
Construction Management	1	100.0	0.0	0.0
Cosmetology	8	100.0	0.0	0.0
Dental Hygiene	11	90.9	9.1	0.0
Drafting Technology	2	100.0	0.0	0.0
Early Childhood Education	2	100.0	0.0	0.0
Electrical Technology	4	75.0	25.0	0.0
Electronics Technology	4	75.0	25.0	0.0
Emergency Medical Technology	. 4	75.0	25.0	0.0
Fashion Merchandising	. 2	100.0	0.0	0.0
Fire Science	1	100.0	0.0	0.0
Health Occupations	2	50.0	50.0	0.0
HVAC Technology	5	80.0	20.0	0.0
Hospitality Management	4	75.0	25.0	0.0
Information Technology	8	87.5	12.5	0.0
Interior Design	1	0.0	100.0	0.0
Interpreter Training	10	100.0	0.0	0.0
Legal Nurse Consultant	3	100.0	0.0	0.0
Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN)	9	88.9	11.1	0.0
M.I.C.T. (Paramedic)	5	60.0	20.0	20.0
Nursing	16	100.0	0.0	0.0
Occupational Therapy Asst.	4	100.0	0.0	0.0
Paralegal	6	100.0	0.0	0.0
Radiologic Technology	5	80.0	20.0	0.0
Railroad Operations	1	100.0	0.0	0.0
Respiratory Care	6	100.0	0.0	0.0
Totals	162	90.7%	8.6%	0.7%



Table 34

EMPLOYER EVALUATION OF ATTITUDE TOWARD WORK

	Number of Responses	Very Good/ Good	Average	Poor/ Very Poor
Accounting	. 4	100.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Administration of Justice	1	100.0	0.0	0.0
Automotive Technology	3	100.0	0.0	0.0
Business Office Technology	7	100.0	0.0	0.0
Chef Apprentice	5	100.0	0.0	0.0
Civil Engineering Technology	2	100.0	0.0	0.0
Communication Design	6	100.0	0.0	0.0
Computer Information Systems	10	80.0	10.0	10.0
Construction Management	1	100.0	0.0	0.0
Cosmetology	8	100.0	0.0	0.0
Dental Hygiene	11	100.0	0.0	0.0
Drafting Technology	2	100.0	0.0	0.0
Early Childhood Education	2	50.0	50.0	0.0
Electrical Technology	4	100.0	0.0	0.0
Electronics Technology	4	75.0	25.0	0.0
Emergency Medical Technology	4	100.0	0.0	0.0
Fashion Merchandising	2	100.0	0.0	0.0
Fire Science	1	100.0	0.0	0.0
Health Occupations	2	50.0	50.0	0.0
HVAC Technology	5	60.0	20.0	20.0
Hospitality Management	4	100.0	0.0	0.0
Information Technology	9	100.0	0.0	0.0
Interior Design	1	0.0	100.0	0.0
Interpreter Training	10	100.0	0.0	0.0
Legal Nurse Consultant	3	100.0	0.0	0.0
Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN)	9	88.9	0.0	11.1
M.I.C.T. (Paramedic)	5	80.0	20.0	0.0
Nursing	16	87.5	12.5	0.0
Occupational Therapy Asst.	4	100.0	0.0	0.0
Paralegal	7	100.0	0.0	0.0
Radiologic Technology	5	100.0	0.0	0.0
Railroad Operations	1	100.0	0.0	0.0
Respiratory Care	6	83.3	0.0	16.7
Totals	164	92.1%	5.5%	2.4%



EMPLOYER EVALUATION OF QUALITY OF WORK

	Number of Responses	Very Good/ Good	Average	Poor/ Very Poor
Accounting	4	100.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Administration of Justice	1	100.0	0.0	0.0
Automotive Technology	3	100.0	0.0	0.0
Business Office Technology	7	100.0	0.0	0.0
Chef Apprentice	5	100.0	0.0	0.0
Civil Engineering Technology	2	100.0	0.0	0.0
Communication Design	6	100.0	0.0	0.0
Computer Information Systems	10	80.0	20.0	0.0
Construction Management	1	100.0	0.0	0.0
Cosmetology	8	100.0	0.0	0.0
Dental Hygiene	11	100.0	0.0	0.0
Drafting Technology	2	100.0	0.0	0.0
Early Childhood Education	2	100.0	0.0	0.0
Electrical Technology	4	100.0	0.0	0.0
Electronics Technology	4	100.0	0.0	0.0
Emergency Medical Technology	4	100.0	0.0	0.0
Fashion Merchandising	2	100.0	0.0	0.0
Fire Science	1	100.0	0.0	0.0
Health Occupations	2	50.0	50.0	0.0
HVAC Technology	5	60.0	40.0	0.0
Hospitality Management	4	100.0	0.0	0.0
Information Technology	9	100.0	0.0	0.0
Interior Design	1	0.0	100.0	0.0
Interpreter Training	10	100.0	0.0	0.0
Legal Nurse Consultant	3	100.0	0.0	0.0
Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN)	9	88.9	. 11.1	0.0
M.I.C.T. (Paramedic)	. 5	80.0	20.0	0.0
Nursing	16	100.0	0.0	0.0
Occupational Therapy Asst.	4	100.0	0.0	0.0
Paralegal	6	100.0	0.0	0.0
Radiologic Technology	5	80.0	20.0	0.0
Railroad Operations	1	100.0	0.0	0.0
Respiratory Care	6	100.0	0.0	0.0
Totals	163	94.5%	5.5%	0.0%



Table 36

EMPLOYER EVALUATION OF
COMMUNICATIONS AND INTERPERSONAL SKILLS

	Number of Responses	Very Good/ Good	Average	Poor/ Very Poor
Accounting	4	75.0%	0.0%	25.0%
Administration of Justice	1	100.0	0.0	0.0
Automotive Technology	3	66.7	0.0	33.3
Business Office Technology	7	85.7	14.3	0.0
Chef Apprentice	5	80.0	20.0	0.0
Civil Engineering Technology	. 2	100.0	0.0	0.0
Communication Design	6	66.7	33.3	0.0
Computer Information Systems	10	50.0	50.0	0.0
Construction Management	1	100.0	0.0	0.0
Cosmetology	8	87.5	0.0	12.5
Dental Hygiene	11	100.0	0.0	0.0
Drafting Technology	2	50.0	50.0	0.0
Early Childhood Education	2	50.0	50.0	0.0
Electrical Technology	4	75.0	25.0	0.0
Electronics Technology	4	.50.0	50.0	0.0
Emergency Medical Technology	4	100.0	0.0	0.0
Fashion Merchandising	2	50.0	50.0	0.0
Fire Science	• 1	100.0	0.0	0.0
Health Occupations	2	50.0	50.0	0.0
HVAC Technology	5	40.0	20.0	40.0
Hospitality Management	4	50.0	50.0	0.0
Information Technology	9	100.0	0.0	0.0
Interior Design	1	0.0	100.0	0.0
Interpreter Training	10	100.0	0.0	0.0
Legal Nurse Consultant	3	100.0	0.0	0.0
Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN)	9	100.0	0.0	0.0
M.I.C.T. (Paramedic)	5	80.0	20.0	0.0
Nursing	16	87.5	12.5	0.0
Occupational Therapy Asst.	. 4	75.0	25.0	0.0
Paralegal	7	100.0	0.0	0.0
Radiologic Technology	5	100.0	0.0	0.0
Railroad Operations	. 1	100.0	0.0	0.0
Respiratory Care	6	83.3	0.0	16.7
Totals	164	81.7%	14.6%	3.7%



Table 37

EMPLOYER EVALUATION OF OVERALL JOB PREPARATION

· .	Number of Responses	Very Good/ Good	Average	Poor/ Very Poor
Accounting	4	100.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Administration of Justice	1	100.0	0.0	0.0
Automotive Technology	3	66.7	33.3	0.0
Business Office Technology	7	100.0	0.0	0.0
Chef Apprentice	5	100.0	0.0	0.0
Civil Engineering Technology	2	100.0	0.0	0.0
Communication Design	6	100.0	0.0	0.0
Computer Information Systems	10	80.0	20.0	0.0
Construction Management	. 1	100.0	0.0	0.0
Cosmetology	8	100.0	0.0	0.0
Dental Hygiene	10	100.0	0.0	0.0
Drafting Technology	2	100.0	0.0	0.0
Early Childhood Education	2	100.0	0.0	0.0
Electrical Technology	4	75.0	25.0	0.0
Electronics Technology	4	100.0	0.0	0.0
Emergency Medical Technology	4	100.0	0.0	0.0
Fashion Merchandising	2	100.0	0.0	0.0
Fire Science	1	100.0	0.0	0.0
Health Occupations	2	50.0	50.0	0.0
HVAC Technology	5	60.0	40.0	0.0
Hospitality Management	4	75.0	25.0	0.0
Information Technology	8	100.0	0.0	0.0
Interior Design	1	0.0	100.0	0.0
Interpreter Training	10	100.0	0.0	0.0
Legal Nurse Consultant	3	100.0	0.0	0.0
Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN)	9	88.9	11.1	0.0
M.I.C.T. (Paramedic)	5	60.0	40.0	0.0
Nursing	16	93.8	6.2	0.0
Occupational Therapy Asst.	4	100.0	0.0	0.0
Paralegal	6	100.0	0.0	0.0
Radiologic Technology	5	100.0	0.0	0.0
Railroad Operations	1	100.0	0.0	0.0
Respiratory Care	6	100.0	0.0	0.0
Totals	161	91.9%	8.1%	0.0%



APPENDIX C
COMPLETER SURVEY
AND COVER LETTERS



JOHNSON COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE SHORT-TERM FOLLOW-UP STUDY OF 1998-99 CAREER PROGRAM COMPLETERS

Dear Former Student: Please take a few minutes to carefully respond to each of the following questions as honestly and completely as possible, then return the completed survey to us in the envelope provided. Naturally all responses will be kept strictly confidential and reported as group data only.

NOTE: If you did <u>not</u> complete a career program by either graduating, earning a certificate, or leaving with marketable skills during the summer of 1998, fall of 1998 or spring of 1999, please check here and return the uncompleted survey to us so we can correct our records. Thank you for your help.

1.	Which career program did you complete?	
2.	Which of the following best describes your current status? (Cl	heck only one)
	 Earned an associate's degree Earned a vocational certificate Left with enough training to work in this career field 	d
3.	Was JCCC your first choice when you decided to attend college	ge to pursue this major?
	1. Yes2. No (If no, which college was your first choice?)
4.		
5.	How many total credit hours have you completed at the comm	unity college?
6.	Which of the following best describes your <u>primary</u> educations college? (Check only one)	al objective when you first enrolled at the community
	1. Transfer to another college or university 2. Prepare to enter the job market 3. Improve skills for your present job 4. Explore courses to decide on a new career 5. Remedy or review basic skills	6. Study topics of interest or for self-improvement 7. Prepare to change careers Other (Please specify)
7 .	Did you achieve your community college educational objective?	8. If yes, did the community college help you to achieve this objective?
	1. Yes, completely 2. Yes, partially 3. No (If no, briefly explain reason)	1. Yes 2. Unsure 3. No (Please explain)
9.	Regardless of the financial benefits, do you feel your community college experiences have improved the quality of your life?	10. If you could go back, knowing what you know now, would you still attend the community college? 1. Definitely no2. Probably no3. Uncertain4. Probably yes
	4. Probably yes 5. Definitely yes	4. Probably yes 5. Definitely yes



11.	Would you recommend attending JCCC to your friends and acquaintances?		12. Would y JCCC?	ou encourage	your childrer	to attend
	1. Yes 2. Unsure 3. No		1. 2. 3.	Yes Unsure No		
13.	Below are several goals that "typical" students have that your experiences at the community college help	e for their colleg ped you to accor	e experiences	. Please indicoals.	cate how mucl	h you agree
		Strongly Disagree	Disagree	<u>Neutral</u>	Agree	Strongly Agree
	A. Broadened my knowledge of the arts and sciences	1	2	3	4	5
	B. Improved my ability to communicate orally	1	2	3	4	5
	C. Improved my ability to communicate in writing	1	2	3	4	5
	D. Improved my ability to make good decisions	1	2	3	4	5
	E. Improved my ability to make constructive use of time	1	2	3	4	5
	F. Enhanced my ability to get along with othersG. Expanded my tolerance for	1	2	3	4	5
	people and ideas H. Assisted me in clarifying the	1	2	3	4	5
	values and goals of my life I. Enhanced my self-confidence	. 1	2 2	3	4	5 5
14.	How are you currently using the skills you develop	ed through your	community c	ollege career	program?	_
	1. In my job 3. Not using my skills (Why not?)			Doing volunted Other (Please		
15.	Have you ever used the services of the JCCC Care 1. Yes 2. No (If no, why not?)	eer Center (caree	er/life plannin	g, resume wri	iting, job seare	ch, etc.)
16.	Which of the following best describes your current	t employment sit	uation?			
	Full-time military Employed part-time (under 30 hours pe Employed full-time (30+ hours per wed Unemployed, actively looking for work Not in labor force (not employed and not		ng for a job)			
	IF UNEMPLOYED OR OUT OF					
	How long have you had your present job? What is your current job title?					
	•					



1. Directly related to skills develop 2. Somewhat related to skills develop 3. Not at all related to skills develop 4. Yes 2. No 4. Yes 2. No 5. Yes (If yes, skip to question 24) 2. No 6. Did any of the following help you to find you 1. Career program administrators a 2. Instruction or workshops on resu 4. Other job placement services 5. Family and/or friends 6. Got the job myself, no help 7. Other (Please specify)	ed in the communication the communication the communication that career the communication in this career than the communication in the communication that career than the communication in the communication that career than the communication in the communication that communication is the communication that career than the communication that career tha	unity college of munity college nunity college field? nmunity college all that apply	career program e career program career program ge career program	m n	
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1. Very dissatisfied 2. Somewhat dissatisfied 3. Neutral					
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A. Working conditions	1	2	3	4	5
-	1	2	3	4	5
•	1	2	3	4	5
•	1	2	3	4	5
•	1	2	3	4	5
Ve would like to contact your employer to					
Name of company					
Address					
			(ZIP)		
Person familiar with your work					
2. No					
	1. Very dissatisfied 2. Somewhat dissatisfied 3. Neutral Please rate each of the following characterispinion. Working conditions 3. Amount of responsibility 5. Advancement potential 6. Salary 6. Job in general 6. We would like to contact your employer to areer program completers. Please indicate areer program completers. Please indicate area for company Address Person familiar with your work Are you currently enrolled in any class 1. Yes (Where?			1. Very dissatisfied	

9.	Based on your own personal experience of the community college by circling the					ollowing as
		Very <u>Dissatisfied</u>	Somewhat Dissatisfied	Neutral	Somewhat Satisfied	Very Satisfied
A.	Academic advisement/counseling	· 1	2	3	4	5
В.	Availability of scholarships and financial aid	. 1	2	3	4	5
C.	Registration process	1	2	3	4	5
D.	Convenience of class scheduling	1	2	3	4	5
E.	Variety of courses	. 1	2	3	4	5
F.	Helpfulness/individual attention of faculty	1	2	3	4	5
G.	Content of courses	1	2	3	4	5
Н.	Quality of instruction	1	2	3	4	5
I.	Usefulness or relevance of training to your current job	1	2	3	4	5
J.	Career/transfer preparation	1	2	3	. 4	5
K.	Job placement assistance	1	2	3	4	5
L.	Facilities and equipment	1	2	3	4	5
(P 1. If it	hat would you say were the primary stre lease attach additional pages if necessary you could name one faculty or staff men be? hy did you select this person?)				
	hat is your race/ethnic category?		33. Wh	nat is your ma	arital status?	
12. W	1. American Indian/Alaskan			1. Singl 2. Marı 3. Prev	le/never married ried now iously married trated, divorced	
	2. Hispanic 3. Asian/Pacific Islander 4. African American 5. White/other			` -	wed)	, or



November 16, 1999

Dear JCCC Career Program Completer:

As part of Johnson County Community College's continuing commitment to improving its programs and services, we are surveying former students who completed a career program at JCCC (or through Maple Woods or Penn Valley Community College) during summer of 1998, fall of 1998, or spring of 1999. This includes graduates, students earning certificates, and students who have completed sufficient coursework to acquire new skills or upgrade their current ones. We are required by federal and state law to conduct this follow-up study but, in addition, we are most interested in your evaluation of the education you received and how you are using the skills you developed in your career program.

Please take a few minutes to answer each of the questions on the enclosed survey as completely and accurately as possible, then return the completed survey to us in the postage-paid envelope provided by **December 10**. Naturally your responses will be kept strictly confidential and reported as group data only.

Thank you for your help in evaluating the career program in which you participated, and for any comments or suggestions you may have which will assist us in meeting the needs of future JCCC students.

Sincerely,

Dan Radakovich
Vice President for Academic Affairs

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December 14, 1999

Dear Career Program Completer:

A few weeks ago we sent you a survey requesting information about your perceptions and opinions of the education you received at JCCC (or at Penn Valley or Maple Woods Community College if you participated in a co-op program) and how you are using the skills you developed in your career program. If you have already completed the survey, thank you very much. Your responses will help us in planning to meet the needs of future community college students like yourself.

In the event you have not as yet completed the survey and returned it to us, we are enclosing a second copy. Please take a few minutes to answer each of the questions as completely and accurately as possible. A postage-paid business reply envelope has been provided for your convenience in returning the completed survey to us by <u>December 31</u>. Naturally all responses will be kept strictly confidential and reported as group data only.

Thank you for your help in evaluating the career program in which you participated, and for any comments or suggestions you may have. Every good wish for a joyous holiday season and a most happy, healthy, and prosperous 2000!

Sincerely,

Dan Radakovich
Vice President for Academic Affairs

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APPENDIX D

EMPLOYER SURVEY

AND COVER LETTERS

JOHNSON COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE EMPLOYER EVALUATION OF CAREER PROGRAM COMPLETERS

To:	Re: Former JCCC Stude
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Dear Employer:

We are required by state law to conduct a follow-up study of all completers who initiated their career program at JCCC, and a part of this follow-up study involves collecting data from employers of these former students. Please ask a supervisor familiar with the work of the person referenced above to complete and return this survey in the business reply envelope provided. Naturally all responses will be kept strictly confidential and reported as group data only. Thank you for your help.

1. How would you rate this employee in each of the following areas? (Circle the response which most closely reflects your opinion)

	Very Good	Good	Neutral	Poor	Very Poor
A. Job-related conceptual knowledge	5	4	3	2	1
B. Job- related technical knowledge	5	4	3	2	1
C. Attitude toward work (professionalism)	5	4	3	2	1
D. Quality of work	5	4	3	2	1
E. Communications and interpersonal skills	5	4	3	2	1
F. OVERALL JOB PREPARATION	5	4	3	2	1

2. What is this employee's current hourly wage?_____



3.	In what areas do you feel employees from this career program are best prepared?				
4.	In which areas do you feel additional preparation would be helpful?				
5.	Do you have any specific suggestions for improvements in the curriculum or instruction of the career program that trained your employee?				
6.	Do you anticipate hiring additional or replacement employees in areas related to this career program in the next 3 to 5 years?				
	1. No 2. Yes (If yes, please list the number and types of positions which may become available in this career field)				
	Annual Anticipated				
	Job Type and Title Openings Salary				
7.	Company name				
8.	Your job title:				
9.	Total number of employees:				
10.	Total employees within this division/department:				
The	nk you for your cooperation. Please return the completed survey in the envelope provided				

Thank you for your cooperation. Please return the completed survey in the envelope provided Questions or comments about this study may be directed to:

Karen A. Conklin, Ed.S.

Market & Survey Research Analyst
Office of Institutional Research
Johnson County Community College
12345 College Blvd.
Overland Park, KS 66210-1299
(913) 469-8500, ext. 3443



January 31, 2000

Dear Employer:

Each year we are required by state law to conduct follow-up studies to evaluate the effectiveness of the career programs at Johnson County Community College. In our opinion, one of the most important evaluations comes from the employers who hire these former students.

The individual whose name appears on the enclosed survey is a former student of a career program at JCCC (or Penn Valley or Maple Woods Community College through a co-op arrangement) who indicated he/she is now working for you. We would very much appreciate your taking a few minutes to give us your opinions, suggestions, and comments about the preparation this employee received based on your experience with him/her. Please return the completed survey to us in the enclosed postage-paid business reply envelope by <u>February 11</u>. Naturally all responses will be kept strictly confidential and reported as group data only.

If you have any questions or comments about this study, please give us a call at 469-8500, ext. 3443. Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

Jeffrey A. Seybert, Director Research, Evaluation, and Instructional Development

Enclosures



February 14, 2000

Dear Employer:

A couple of weeks ago we wrote asking you to evaluate a former student who is now working for you. Our records indicate we have not yet received your completed survey.

In addition to being most interested in your evaluation of the former student who is now your employee, we look forward to hearing your views of the community college career program your employee completed. Any suggestions you have to help us improve our programs and services to better meet the needs of future employers of community college career program completers are always most welcome.

If you have already mailed your completed survey, just ignore this reminder. However, in the event the form was misplaced, we are enclosing a second copy together with another preaddressed stamped envelope for your convenience in returning the completed survey to us. We would appreciate receiving it by <u>February 25</u> if at all possible to provide sufficient time to submit the required state report on career program completers. Thank you for your help.

Sincerely,

Jeffrey A. Seybert, Director Research, Evaluation, and Instructional Development

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APPENDIX E

COMPARISON OF INITIAL MAIL AND

TELEPHONE RESPONSES

For some time researchers have debated the potential differences in respondents who return mail surveys in a timely manner and those who do not. One hypothesis is that the more successful completers are those most likely to quickly respond to mail surveys. To test this notion, over the past nine years the JCCC Office of Institutional Research has analyzed responses to several key questions based on the method of response. The following table details comparisons of respondents who returned mail surveys and nonrespondents who were subsequently interviewed by telephone. As is typical, a greater percent of females and older completers responded to the initial mailings than males or younger completers.

Measurements of success for career program completers were determined to be 1) whether respondents were employed in a job related to their career preparation, 2) the amount of money they were earning in their full-time related job, and 3) their level of satisfaction with their full-time related job. Although results for 6 of the 9 years this analysis was conducted indicated a slightly greater percent of initial mail respondents were employed in a related job, overall employment in a related job was essentially the same.

For the majority of the years this comparison has been conducted a somewhat higher average hourly wage has been reported by initial mail respondents employed full-time in a related job, but when earnings were analyzed over the entire 9-year period a difference of only 10 cents was evident. Thus, over time average earnings were essentially the same.

In 8 of the 9 years this comparison has been conducted a greater percent of nonrespondents who were ultimately interviewed by telephone indicated satisfaction with their full-time related job than those who had responded to the mail survey, indicating that as a group nonrespondents to the mail survey were more satisfied with their full-time related job than were those who had responded.

Therefore, assuming employment in a related job, earning a good wage, and being satisfied with that job represent success, it can be concluded (at least for JCCC completers) that the more successful career program completers are <u>not</u> more likely to respond to mail surveys after all.



COMPARISON OF INITIAL MAIL RESPONSES WITH TELEPHONE RESPONSES Class of 1998-99

	Initial Mail	Telephone
	Responses (n=200)	Responses (n=297)
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Gender		
Male	29.5%	40.8%
Female	67.5	58.2
Unknown	3.0	1.0
Age		
Under 26 years	25.5%	31.7%
26 to 35	30.5	28.0
36 to 50	34.0	33.3
Over 50	7.0	4.0
Unknown	3.0	3.0
1999 Average age (mean)	34.0 years	32.4
1998	32.2	32.0
1997	34.4	32.8
1996	34.3	32.1
1995	33.8	32.5
1994	33.3	31.3
1993	33.3	30.5
1992	33.1	30.5
1991	n.a	n.a
Method of Completion		
Earned associate's degree	59.0%	55.9%
Earned certificate	32.5	40.4
Left with marketable skills	7.5	3.7
Unknown	1.0	0.0
Current Status ¹	•	
Employed in a related job or military	83.0%	80.2%
Employed in unrelated job	5.0	9.4
Pursuing additional education, not employed	6.5	4.0
Unemployed, looking for work	2.0	2.7
Out of labor force	1.0	2.7
Unknown	2.5	1.0



HISTORICAL COMPARISON INITIAL MAIL VS. TELEPHONE RESPONSES¹

	Initial Mail	Telephone
	Responses	Responses
Employed in Related Job		
1999 Percent in related job	80.0%	79.2%
1998	77.3	77.1
1997	88.0	82.7
1996	80.1	74.6
1995	78.9	83.2
1994	78.1	83.9
1993	85.2	80.8
1992	75.2	83.1
1991	78.2	73.0
Hourly Wage ²		
1999 Average hourly wage	\$15.66	\$15.58
1998	14.91	14.32
1997	13.13	13.91
1996	13.72	13.38
1995	12.63	12.45
1994	12.55	11.95
1993	11.87	11.86
1992	11.42	11.50
1991	11.07	11.06
Job Satisfaction ³		
1999 Percent satisfied	74.2%	88.5%
1998	81.9	87.4
1997	75.3	84.1
1996	75.5	90.9
1995	59.0	76.5
1994	83.3	83.1
1993	79.5	91.1
1992	64.3	77.1
1991	75.3	93.6

Note. Unknowns have been excluded. Thus, percentages may differ from those reported elsewhere in this report.



²Hourly wage is for respondents employed full-time in a related job.

³ Data were collected utilizing a 5-point scale ranging from very satisfied to very dissatisfied. Thus, the "satisfied" data include "very satisfied" and "somewhat satisfied" responses combined, and the "dissatisfied" data include "somewhat dissatisfied" and "very dissatisfied" responses combined.



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