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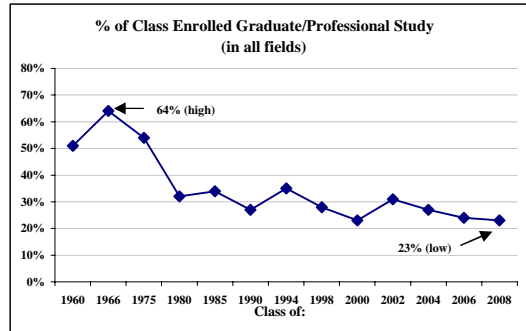
In the winter of academic year 2008-09, questionnaires were sent to the 1,301 graduates of the Yale College Class of 2008 (676 men and 625 women), requesting information about their activities. Questionnaires were returned by 484 men (72%) and 458 women (73%). Except for Tables 2 and 3 (included here for reference only), all tables are based on these returns.

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*Highlights of:*  
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- The percentage of graduates who entered any kind of **graduate/professional study** the first year after graduation continues to decline. For the Class of 2008 (and 2000), it was the lowest in the study's nearly fifty-year history.

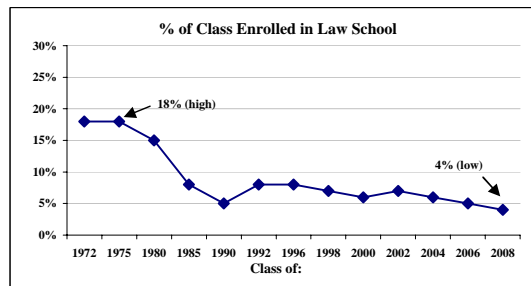
| <u>1960</u> | <u>1966</u> | <u>1975</u> | <u>1980</u> | <u>1985</u> | <u>1990</u> | <u>1994</u> | <u>1998</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2002</u> | <u>2004</u> | <u>2006</u> | <u>2008</u> |
|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| 51%         | 64%         | 54%         | 32%         | 34%         | 27%         | 35%         | 28%         | 23%         | 31%         | 27%         | 24%         | 23%         |



Note: Percentages for the Classes of 1975 and 1980 may be inflated because they include students who deferred graduate/professional study one year.

- The percentage of graduates who entered **law school** immediately after college was at its lowest for the Class of 2008. Since the mid-1980's, these percentages have been consistently under 10%. However, many Yale graduates do eventually go onto to law school, but it is now more often delayed by several years:

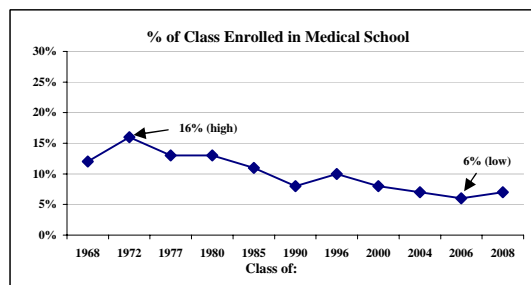
| <u>1972</u> | <u>1975</u> | <u>1980</u> | <u>1985</u> | <u>1990</u> | <u>1992</u> | <u>1996</u> | <u>1998</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2002</u> | <u>2004</u> | <u>2006</u> | <u>2008</u> |
|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| 18%         | 18%         | 15%         | 8%          | 5%          | 8%          | 8%          | 7%          | 6%          | 7%          | 6%          | 5%          | 4%          |



Note: Percentages for the Classes of 1975 and 1980 may be inflated because they include students who deferred graduate/professional study one year.

- The percentage of graduates who entered **medical school** the year immediately following graduation has ranged between 16% and 6%, and has been on the decline since the mid-1990's. Similar to law school, larger numbers of Yale graduates eventually go onto medical school, but only after taking some time off:

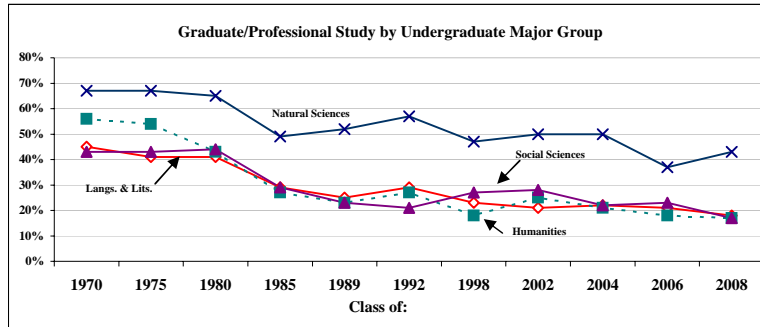
| <u>1968</u> | <u>1972</u> | <u>1977</u> | <u>1980</u> | <u>1985</u> | <u>1990</u> | <u>1996</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2004</u> | <u>2006</u> | <u>2008</u> |
|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| 12%         | 16%         | 13%         | 13%         | 11%         | 8%          | 10%         | 8%          | 7%          | 6%          | 7%          |



Note: Percentages for the Classes of 1977 and 1980 may be inflated because they include students who deferred graduate/professional study one year.

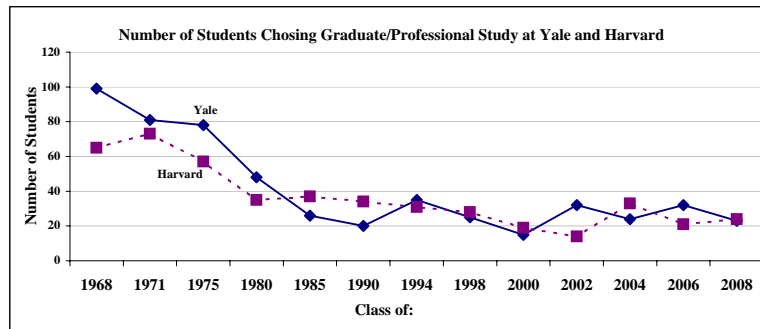
- Graduates who majored in the **natural sciences** went into graduate and/or professional school the year following graduation in greater numbers than students who majored in other areas of study:

|                            | <u>1970</u> | <u>1975</u> | <u>1980</u> | <u>1985</u> | <u>1989</u> | <u>1992</u> | <u>1998</u> | <u>2002</u> | <u>2004</u> | <u>2006</u> | <u>2008</u> |
|----------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| <b>Langs. &amp; Lits.:</b> | 45%         | 41%         | 41%         | 29%         | 25%         | 29%         | 23%         | 21%         | 22%         | 21%         | 18%         |
| <b>Humanities:</b>         | 56%         | 54%         | 43%         | 27%         | 23%         | 27%         | 18%         | 25%         | 21%         | 18%         | 17%         |
| <b>Social Sciences:</b>    | 43%         | 43%         | 44%         | 29%         | 23%         | 21%         | 27%         | 28%         | 22%         | 23%         | 17%         |
| <b>Natural Sciences:</b>   | 67%         | 67%         | 65%         | 49%         | 52%         | 57%         | 47%         | 50%         | 50%         | 37%         | 43%         |



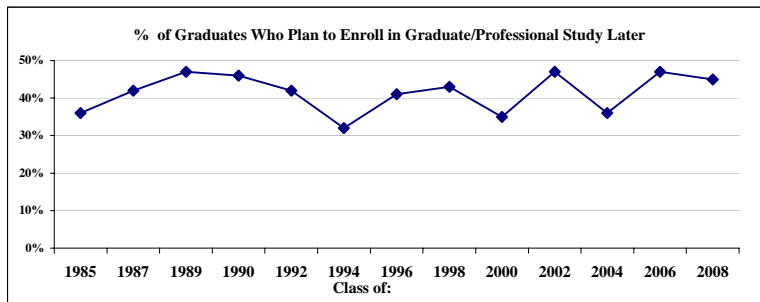
- **Harvard, Yale, Stanford, Cambridge, and Columbia** were the schools most frequently chosen for graduate/professional study by the Class of 2008. Predictably, Yale and Harvard were almost always the top two schools chosen for graduate study, each taking turns as the number one choice:

|                 | <u>1968</u> | <u>1971</u> | <u>1975</u> | <u>1980</u> | <u>1985</u> | <u>1990</u> | <u>1994</u> | <u>1998</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2002</u> | <u>2004</u> | <u>2006</u> | <u>2008</u> |
|-----------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| <b>Yale:</b>    | 99          | 81          | 78          | 48          | 26          | 20          | 35          | 25          | 15          | 32          | 24          | 32          | 23          |
| <b>Harvard:</b> | 65          | 73          | 57          | 35          | 37          | 34          | 31          | 28          | 19          | 14          | 33          | 21          | 24          |



- In addition to the 23% of the Class of 2008 who were studying in 2008-09, another 45% of the Class expect to go on to some kind of **graduate/professional study in the next two years or so**. Graduates may not be entering graduate/professional study in large numbers directly out of Yale, but it is clear that graduate study is a goal for many of them:

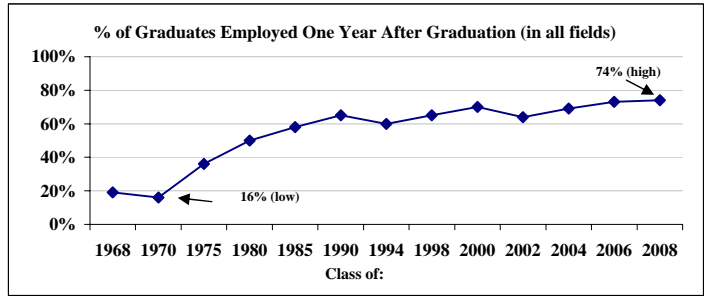
| <u>1985</u> | <u>1987</u> | <u>1989</u> | <u>1990</u> | <u>1992</u> | <u>1994</u> | <u>1996</u> | <u>1998</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2002</u> | <u>2004</u> | <u>2006</u> | <u>2008</u> |
|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| 36%         | 42%         | 47%         | 46%         | 42%         | 32%         | 41%         | 43%         | 35%         | 47%         | 36%         | 47%         | 45%         |



Note: The question requesting information about "later study" was added to the survey in 1985.

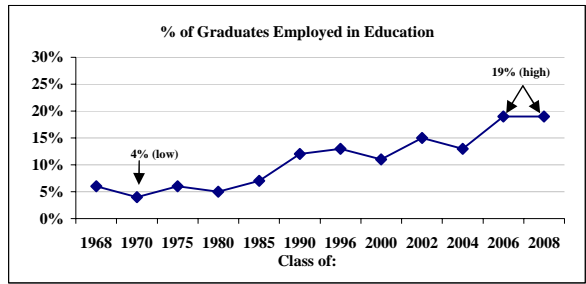
• The Class of 2008 had the largest percentage of graduates **employed** the first year after college compared to all other previous classes surveyed. For the Class of 1968, fewer than 20% of graduates went into jobs right after graduation. Today, that percentage is nearly 75%:

|             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |
|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| <u>1968</u> | <u>1970</u> | <u>1975</u> | <u>1980</u> | <u>1985</u> | <u>1990</u> | <u>1994</u> | <u>1998</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2002</u> | <u>2004</u> | <u>2006</u> | <u>2008</u> |
| 19%         | 16%         | 36%         | 50%         | 58%         | 65%         | 60%         | 65%         | 70%         | 64%         | 69%         | 73%         | 74%         |



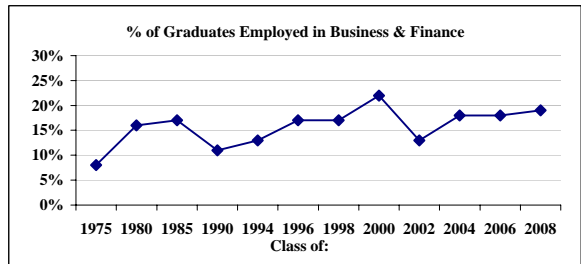
• The percentage of graduates who went into **jobs in education** (instruction and non-instruction) was at an all-time high at 19% for the last two Classes surveyed. "Teach for America" was chosen by approximately 11% of those employed in education:

|             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |
|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| <u>1968</u> | <u>1970</u> | <u>1975</u> | <u>1980</u> | <u>1985</u> | <u>1990</u> | <u>1996</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2002</u> | <u>2004</u> | <u>2006</u> | <u>2008</u> |
| 6%          | 4%          | 6%          | 5%          | 7%          | 12%         | 13%         | 11%         | 15%         | 13%         | 19%         | 19%         |



• Employment in areas of **business and finance** continued to attract graduates in large numbers, with 16% being the average over this 30-year period. With the recent economic downturn, it will be interesting to see if that trend continues for the next class surveyed:

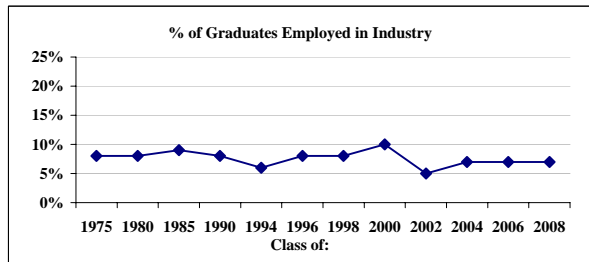
|             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |
|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| <u>1975</u> | <u>1980</u> | <u>1985</u> | <u>1990</u> | <u>1994</u> | <u>1996</u> | <u>1998</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2002</u> | <u>2004</u> | <u>2006</u> | <u>2008</u> |
| 8%          | 16%         | 17%         | 11%         | 13%         | 17%         | 17%         | 22%         | 13%         | 18%         | 18%         | 19%         |



Note: Prior to 1975, this category included "industry", so those years' data are not reported here.

• The percentage of students who entered jobs in **industry** remained fairly constant over the last 30 years:

|             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |
|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| <u>1975</u> | <u>1980</u> | <u>1985</u> | <u>1990</u> | <u>1994</u> | <u>1996</u> | <u>1998</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2002</u> | <u>2004</u> | <u>2006</u> | <u>2008</u> |
| 8%          | 8%          | 9%          | 8%          | 6%          | 8%          | 8%          | 10%         | 5%          | 7%          | 7%          | 7%          |



**Table 1.a.**

**Overall Summary of Post-Graduation Activities**

(based on survey data)

| <u>Type of Activity</u>              | Class of 2008 |             |            |             |            |             | Classes of: |             |             |
|--------------------------------------|---------------|-------------|------------|-------------|------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
|                                      | Men           |             | Women      |             | Total      |             | 2006        | 2004        | 2002        |
|                                      | #             | %           | #          | %           | #          | %           | %           | %           | %           |
| <b><u>Graduate Study:</u></b>        |               |             |            |             |            |             |             |             |             |
| Humanities                           | 17            | 4           | 7          | 2           | 24         | 3           | 2           | 3           | 4           |
| Social Sciences                      | 3             | 1           | 7          | 2           | 10         | 1           | 3           | 2           | 4           |
| Natural Sciences                     | 19            | 4           | 12         | 3           | 31         | 3           | 2           | 4           | 4           |
| Other Arts & Sciences                | 1             | <1          | 3          | 1           | 4          | <1          | 1           | 1           | <1          |
| <b>Total Arts &amp; Sciences</b>     | <b>40</b>     | <b>8%</b>   | <b>29</b>  | <b>6%</b>   | <b>69</b>  | <b>7%</b>   | <b>7%</b>   | <b>9%</b>   | <b>11%</b>  |
| Education                            | 1             | <1          | 2          | <1          | 3          | <1          | <1          | <1          | <1          |
| Business                             | 6             | 1           | 1          | <1          | 7          | 1           | 1           | <1          | 1           |
| Law                                  | 18            | 4           | 16         | 3           | 34         | 4           | 5           | 6           | 7           |
| Medicine                             | 34            | 7           | 28         | 6           | 62         | 7           | 6           | 7           | 6           |
| Medical Related                      | 3             | 1           | 11         | 2           | 14         | 1           | 1           | 1           | 1           |
| Fine Arts                            | 6             | 1           | 7          | 2           | 13         | 1           | 1           | 1           | 1           |
| Applied Arts                         | 2             | <1          | 2          | <1          | 4          | <1          | <1          | <1          | 1           |
| Architecture, Engineering & Planning | 0             | 0           | 1          | <1          | 1          | <1          | <1          | 1           | <1          |
| Divinity                             | 2             | <1          | 1          | <1          | 3          | <1          | <1          | <1          | <1          |
| Journalism                           | 0             | 0           | 1          | <1          | 1          | <1          | 0           | 0           | <1          |
| Environmental Areas                  | 0             | 0           | 0          | 0           | 0          | 0           | 1           | <1          | 1           |
| Other Professional                   | 1             | <1          | 5          | 1           | 6          | 1           | 1           | <1          | <1          |
| <b>Total Professional</b>            | <b>73</b>     | <b>15%</b>  | <b>75</b>  | <b>16%</b>  | <b>148</b> | <b>16%</b>  | <b>17%</b>  | <b>18%</b>  | <b>19%</b>  |
| <b>Total Graduate Study:</b>         | <b>113</b>    | <b>23%</b>  | <b>104</b> | <b>23%</b>  | <b>217</b> | <b>23%</b>  | <b>24%</b>  | <b>27%</b>  | <b>31%</b>  |
| <b><u>Employment:</u></b>            |               |             |            |             |            |             |             |             |             |
| Education                            | 73            | 15          | 104        | 23          | 177        | 19          | 19          | 13          | 15          |
| Business & Finance                   | 116           | 24          | 62         | 14          | 178        | 19          | 18          | 18          | 13          |
| Industry                             | 38            | 8           | 27         | 6           | 65         | 7           | 7           | 7           | 5           |
| Government & Public Service          | 19            | 4           | 37         | 8           | 56         | 6           | 7           | 7           | 8           |
| Social Work                          | 2             | <1          | 3          | 1           | 5          | 1           | <1          | 1           | <1          |
| Communication                        | 18            | 4           | 19         | 4           | 37         | 4           | 5           | 6           | 5           |
| Health Fields                        | 10            | 2           | 19         | 4           | 29         | 3           | 2           | 2           | 1           |
| Manual Work                          | 4             | 1           | 0          | 0           | 4          | <1          | 1           | <1          | <1          |
| Fine Arts                            | 14            | 3           | 17         | 4           | 31         | 3           | 3           | 3           | 3           |
| Applied Arts                         | 3             | 1           | 6          | 1           | 9          | 1           | 2           | 1           | 1           |
| Law Related                          | 19            | 4           | 14         | 3           | 33         | 4           | 4           | 6           | 5           |
| Environmental Areas                  | 2             | <1          | 1          | <1          | 3          | <1          | 1           | <1          | 1           |
| Museum Work                          | 2             | <1          | 9          | 2           | 11         | 1           | 1           | 2           | 1           |
| Athletics                            | 5             | 1           | 4          | 1           | 9          | 1           | 1           | 1           | 1           |
| Unemployed                           | 13            | 3           | 8          | 2           | 21         | 2           | 1           | 2           | 1           |
| Self-employed                        | 10            | <1          | 0          | 0           | 10         | 1           | <1          | 1           | <1          |
| Other employment                     | 9             | <1          | 6          | 1           | 15         | 2           | <1          | <1          | 2           |
| <b>Total Employment:</b>             | <b>357</b>    | <b>74%</b>  | <b>336</b> | <b>73%</b>  | <b>693</b> | <b>74%</b>  | <b>73%</b>  | <b>69%</b>  | <b>64%</b>  |
| <b><u>Other Activities:</u></b>      |               |             |            |             |            |             |             |             |             |
| Military                             | 4             | 1           | 0          | 0           | 4          | <1          | <1          | 1           | 1           |
| Study (other than Graduate Programs) | 2             | <1          | 8          | 2           | 10         | 1           | 1           | 1           | 1           |
| Travel                               | 4             | 1           | 4          | 1           | 8          | 1           | 1           | 1           | 1           |
| Travel/Study                         | 1             | <1          | 4          | 1           | 5          | 1           | 0           | 0           | <1          |
| Travel/Work                          | 2             | <1          | 0          | 0           | 2          | <1          | <1          | <1          | <1          |
| Work/Study                           | 0             | 0           | 2          | <1          | 2          | <1          | <1          | 1           | <1          |
| Other & Unknown                      | 1             | <1          | 0          | 0           | 1          | <1          | 1           | <1          | 2           |
| <b>Total Other Activities:</b>       | <b>14</b>     | <b>3%</b>   | <b>18</b>  | <b>4%</b>   | <b>32</b>  | <b>3%</b>   | <b>3%</b>   | <b>4%</b>   | <b>5%</b>   |
| <b>Grand Total:</b>                  | <b>484</b>    | <b>100%</b> | <b>458</b> | <b>100%</b> | <b>942</b> | <b>100%</b> | <b>100%</b> | <b>100%</b> | <b>100%</b> |

**Note:** Percentages have been rounded and may not equal 100%.

| <b>Table 1.b.</b>   |                          |
|---|--------------------------|
| <b>Plans to Study in the Future</b>   |                          |
| <i>(based on survey data)</i>   |                          |
| Students were asked "If you are not studying in the 2008-09 academic year, do you plan to do so in the next year or two?"<br>625 graduates responded to the question.   |                          |
| <b><u>Future Plans for Study:</u></b>   | <b><u>% of Class</u></b> |
| Study in the next year or two   | 45%                      |
| Uncertain about future study plans  | 4%                       |
| No future study plans in the next two years   | 17%                      |
| <b>The results indicate that in addition to the 23% of the Class of 2008 who were studying in 2008-09 (see Table 1.a.), another 45% of the class expected to go on to some kind of graduate/professional study in the next two years.</b> |                          |

| <b>Table 2</b>   |              |              |                       |                 |              |              |                       |                 |              |              |                       |                 |
|--|--------------|--------------|-----------------------|-----------------|--------------|--------------|-----------------------|-----------------|--------------|--------------|-----------------------|-----------------|
| <b><u>Area of Concentration and Graduation Standing</u></b> <sup>(1)</sup>   |              |              |                       |                 |              |              |                       |                 |              |              |                       |                 |
| Table 2 gives the number of degrees awarded with general honors within each of the areas of study for the entire Class of 2008 (not just for survey respondents). This table may be a good source of reference when reading Tables 4 and 5.  |              |              |                       |                 |              |              |                       |                 |              |              |                       |                 |
| <b>Major Division</b> <sup>(2)</sup>   | <b>Men</b>   |              |                       |                 | <b>Women</b> |              |                       |                 | <b>Total</b> |              |                       |                 |
|  | <b>Total</b> | <b>BA/BS</b> | <b>General Honors</b> | <b>Honors %</b> | <b>Total</b> | <b>BA/BS</b> | <b>General Honors</b> | <b>Honors %</b> | <b>Total</b> | <b>BA/BS</b> | <b>General Honors</b> | <b>Honors %</b> |
| Languages & Literatures  | 46           | 33           | 13                    | 28              | 72           | 49           | 23                    | 32              | 118          | 82           | 36                    | 31              |
| Humanities   | 200          | 149          | 51                    | 26              | 216          | 159          | 57                    | 26              | 416          | 308          | 108                   | 26              |
| Social Sciences  | 274          | 203          | 71                    | 26              | 223          | 160          | 63                    | 28              | 497          | 363          | 134                   | 27              |
| Natural Sciences   | 156          | 100          | 56                    | 36              | 112          | 71           | 41                    | 37              | 268          | 171          | 97                    | 36              |
| Special Divisional   | 0            | 0            | 0                     | 0               | 2            | 2            | 0                     | 0               | 2            | 2            | 0                     | 0               |
| <b>Total:</b>  | <b>676</b>   | <b>485</b>   | <b>191</b>            | <b>28%</b>      | <b>625</b>   | <b>441</b>   | <b>184</b>            | <b>29%</b>      | <b>1,301</b> | <b>926</b>   | <b>375</b>            | <b>29%</b>      |
| <b>Notes:</b>  |              |              |                       |                 |              |              |                       |                 |              |              |                       |                 |
| (1) <b>General Honors:</b> Cum Laude, Magna Cum Laude, Summa Cum Laude. Beginning with the Class of 1992, General Honors are to be awarded to no more than 30 percent of each Class. Caution should be taken when comparing percentages before and after this policy went into effect. |              |              |                       |                 |              |              |                       |                 |              |              |                       |                 |
| (2) <b>Undergraduate Major Divisions:</b>  |              |              |                       |                 |              |              |                       |                 |              |              |                       |                 |
| Languages & Literatures: Languages and literatures, English and foreign, ancient or modern.  |              |              |                       |                 |              |              |                       |                 |              |              |                       |                 |
| Humanities: Architecture, art, classical civilization, film, history, history of art, history of science/history of medicine, humanities, music, philosophy, and religious studies.  |              |              |                       |                 |              |              |                       |                 |              |              |                       |                 |
| Social Sciences: Anthropology, archaeology, economics, linguistics, political science, psychology, and sociology.  |              |              |                       |                 |              |              |                       |                 |              |              |                       |                 |
| Natural Sciences: Astronomy, biology, chemistry, computer science, engineering, forestry & environmental studies, geology & geophysics, mathematics, molecular biophysics & biochemistry, physics, and statistics.   |              |              |                       |                 |              |              |                       |                 |              |              |                       |                 |
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**Table 3**

**Distribution of Graduates by Undergraduate Major** \*

Table 3 reports the areas in which the graduates of the entire Class of 2008 (not just the survey respondents) majored. It may be a good source of reference when reading Table 4.

| Major Division                       | Class of 2008 |             |            |              | Total        |              | Classes of: |               |               |
|--------------------------------------|---------------|-------------|------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|-------------|---------------|---------------|
|                                      | Men           |             | Women      |              |              |              | 2006        | 2004          | 2002          |
|                                      | #             | %           | #          | %            | #            | %            | %           | %             | %             |
| <b>Languages and Literatures:</b>    |               |             |            |              |              |              |             |               |               |
| Misc. Language or Literature Studies | 11            | 2           | 13         | 2            | 24           | 2            |             |               |               |
| English                              | 25            | 4           | 40         | 6            | 65           | 5            |             |               |               |
| Literature                           | 10            | 1           | 19         | 3            | 29           | 2            |             |               |               |
| <b>Subtotal:</b>                     | <b>46</b>     | <b>7%</b>   | <b>72</b>  | <b>12%</b>   | <b>118</b>   | <b>9%</b>    | <b>11%</b>  | <b>10%</b>    | <b>13%</b>    |
| <b>Humanities:</b>                   |               |             |            |              |              |              |             |               |               |
| American Studies                     | 7             | 1           | 14         | 2            | 21           | 2            |             |               |               |
| Architecture                         | 10            | 1           | 11         | 2            | 21           | 2            |             |               |               |
| Art                                  | 1             | <1          | 15         | 2            | 16           | 1            |             |               |               |
| History                              | 99            | 15          | 78         | 12           | 177          | 14           |             |               |               |
| History of Art                       | 2             | <1          | 12         | 2            | 14           | 1            |             |               |               |
| Humanities                           | 11            | <1          | 5          | 1            | 16           | 1            |             |               |               |
| Music                                | 14            | 2           | 9          | 1            | 23           | 2            |             |               |               |
| Philosophy                           | 13            | 2           | 7          | 1            | 20           | 2            |             |               |               |
| Others                               | 43            | 6           | 65         | 10           | 108          | 8            |             |               |               |
| <b>Subtotal:</b>                     | <b>200</b>    | <b>30%</b>  | <b>216</b> | <b>35%</b>   | <b>416</b>   | <b>32%</b>   | <b>32%</b>  | <b>31%</b>    | <b>34%</b>    |
| <b>Social Sciences:</b>              |               |             |            |              |              |              |             |               |               |
| Anthropology                         | 8             | 1           | 15         | 2            | 23           | 2            |             |               |               |
| Economics                            | 99            | 15          | 36         | 6            | 135          | 10           |             |               |               |
| Economics & Mathematics              | 12            | 2           | 5          | 1            | 17           | 1            |             |               |               |
| Ethics, Politics, & Economics        | 24            | 4           | 7          | 1            | 31           | 2            |             |               |               |
| Political Science                    | 79            | 12          | 70         | 11           | 149          | 11           |             |               |               |
| Psychology                           | 20            | 3           | 58         | 9            | 78           | 6            |             |               |               |
| Sociology                            | 6             | 1           | 9          | 1            | 15           | 1            |             |               |               |
| Others                               | 26            | 4           | 23         | 4            | 49           | 4            |             |               |               |
| <b>Subtotal:</b>                     | <b>274</b>    | <b>41%</b>  | <b>223</b> | <b>36%</b>   | <b>497</b>   | <b>38%</b>   | <b>40%</b>  | <b>38%</b>    | <b>32%</b>    |
| <b>Natural Sciences:</b>             |               |             |            |              |              |              |             |               |               |
| Biology                              | 37            | 5           | 57         | 9            | 94           | 7            |             |               |               |
| Chemistry                            | 8             | 1           | 4          | 1            | 12           | 1            |             |               |               |
| Computer Science                     | 10            | 1           | 1          | <1           | 11           | 1            |             |               |               |
| Engineering & Applied Sciences       | 48            | 7           | 12         | 2            | 60           | 5            |             |               |               |
| Mathematics                          | 11            | 2           | 3          | <1           | 14           | 1            |             |               |               |
| Molecular Biophysics & Biochemistry  | 20            | 3           | 16         | 3            | 36           | 3            |             |               |               |
| Physics                              | 14            | 2           | 5          | 1            | 19           | 1            |             |               |               |
| Others                               | 8             | 1           | 14         | 2            | 22           | 2            |             |               |               |
| <b>Subtotal:</b>                     | <b>156</b>    | <b>23%</b>  | <b>112</b> | <b>18%</b>   | <b>268</b>   | <b>21%</b>   | <b>18%</b>  | <b>21%</b>    | <b>21%</b>    |
| <b>Special Divisional Majors:</b>    | <b>0</b>      | <b>0</b>    | <b>2</b>   | <b>&lt;1</b> | <b>2</b>     | <b>&lt;1</b> | <b>0%</b>   | <b>&lt;1%</b> | <b>&lt;1%</b> |
| <b>Total:</b>                        | <b>676</b>    | <b>100%</b> | <b>625</b> | <b>100%</b>  | <b>1,301</b> | <b>100%</b>  | <b>100%</b> | <b>100%</b>   | <b>100%</b>   |

**Notes:**

\* Departments with 10 or more majors are listed individually. Percentages have been rounded and may not equal 100%.



**Table 4.a.**

**Post-Graduation Activities by Undergraduate Major Group \***

**Class of 2008**

(based on survey data)

| <u>Type of Activity</u>              | <b>Undergraduate Major Group</b>   |             |                   |             |                        |             |                         |             |                           |               |
|--------------------------------------|------------------------------------|-------------|-------------------|-------------|------------------------|-------------|-------------------------|-------------|---------------------------|---------------|
|                                      | <b>Languages &amp; Literatures</b> |             | <b>Humanities</b> |             | <b>Social Sciences</b> |             | <b>Natural Sciences</b> |             | <b>Special Divisional</b> |               |
|                                      | #                                  | %           | #                 | %           | #                      | %           | #                       | %           | #                         | %             |
| <b><u>Graduate Study:</u></b>        |                                    |             |                   |             |                        |             |                         |             |                           |               |
| <b><u>Arts &amp; Sciences:</u></b>   |                                    |             |                   |             |                        |             |                         |             |                           |               |
| Humanities                           | 6                                  | 7           | 9                 | 3           | 7                      | 2           | 2                       | 1           | 0                         | 0             |
| Social Sciences                      | 0                                  | 0           | 3                 | 1           | 7                      | 2           | 0                       | 0           | 0                         | 0             |
| Natural Sciences                     | 0                                  | 0           | 1                 | <1          | 4                      | 1           | 26                      | 12          | 0                         | 0             |
| Other Arts & Sciences                | 0                                  | 0           | 2                 | 1           | 0                      | 0           | 2                       | 1           | 0                         | 0             |
| <b>Subtotal:</b>                     | 6                                  | 7%          | 15                | 5%          | 18                     | 5%          | 30                      | 14%         | 0                         | 0%            |
| <b><u>Professional:</u></b>          |                                    |             |                   |             |                        |             |                         |             |                           |               |
| Education                            | 1                                  | 1           | 1                 | <1          | 1                      | <1          | 0                       | 0           | 0                         | 0             |
| Business                             | 0                                  | 0           | 0                 | 0           | 7                      | 2           | 0                       | 0           | 0                         | 0             |
| Law                                  | 3                                  | 3           | 10                | 3           | 18                     | 5           | 3                       | 1           | 0                         | 0             |
| Medicine                             | 2                                  | 2           | 4                 | 1           | 3                      | 1           | 53                      | 25          | 0                         | 0             |
| Medical Related                      | 0                                  | 0           | 5                 | 2           | 7                      | 2           | 2                       | 1           | 0                         | 0             |
| Fine Arts                            | 3                                  | 3           | 8                 | 3           | 2                      | 1           | 0                       | 0           | 0                         | 0             |
| Applied Arts                         | 0                                  | 0           | 3                 | 1           | 0                      | 0           | 0                       | 0           | 0                         | 0             |
| Architecture, Engineering & Planning | 0                                  | 0           | 1                 | <1          | 1                      | <1          | 0                       | 0           | 0                         | 0             |
| Divinity                             | 0                                  | 0           | 3                 | 1           | 0                      | 0           | 0                       | 0           | 0                         | 0             |
| Other Professional                   | 1                                  | 1           | 2                 | 1           | 2                      | 1           | 2                       | 1           | 0                         | 0             |
| <b>Subtotal:</b>                     | 10                                 | 11%         | 37                | 12%         | 41                     | 12%         | 60                      | 28%         | 0                         | 0%            |
| <b>Total Graduate Study:</b>         | <b>16</b>                          | <b>18%</b>  | <b>52</b>         | <b>17%</b>  | <b>59</b>              | <b>17%</b>  | <b>90</b>               | <b>43%</b>  | <b>0</b>                  | <b>0%</b>     |
| <b><u>Employment:</u></b>            |                                    |             |                   |             |                        |             |                         |             |                           |               |
| Education                            | 19                                 | 22          | 46                | 15          | 66                     | 20          | 46                      | 22          | 0                         | 0             |
| Business & Finance                   | 6                                  | 7           | 47                | 15          | 105                    | 31          | 20                      | 9           | 0                         | 0             |
| Industry                             | 4                                  | 5           | 15                | 5           | 23                     | 7           | 22                      | 10          | 1                         | <1            |
| Government & Public Service          | 7                                  | 8           | 21                | 7           | 22                     | 7           | 6                       | 3           | 0                         | 0             |
| Social Work                          | 0                                  | 0           | 2                 | 1           | 1                      | <1          | 2                       | 1           | 0                         | 0             |
| Communication                        | 8                                  | 9           | 23                | 8           | 4                      | 1           | 2                       | 1           | 0                         | 0             |
| Health Fields                        | 1                                  | 1           | 9                 | 3           | 12                     | 4           | 7                       | 3           | 0                         | 0             |
| Manual Work                          | 1                                  | 1           | 2                 | 1           | 1                      | <1          | 0                       | 0           | 0                         | 0             |
| Fine Arts                            | 9                                  | 10          | 20                | 7           | 2                      | 1           | 0                       | 0           | 0                         | 0             |
| Applied Arts                         | 0                                  | 0           | 8                 | 3           | 0                      | 0           | 1                       | <1          | 0                         | 0             |
| Law Related                          | 2                                  | 2           | 14                | 5           | 15                     | 4           | 2                       | 1           | 0                         | 0             |
| Environmental Areas                  | 0                                  | 0           | 2                 | 1           | 0                      | 0           | 1                       | <1          | 0                         | 0             |
| Museum Work                          | 2                                  | 2           | 9                 | 3           | 0                      | 0           | 0                       | 0           | 0                         | 0             |
| Athletics                            | 0                                  | 0           | 3                 | 1           | 4                      | 1           | 2                       | 1           | 0                         | 0             |
| Unemployed                           | 3                                  | 3           | 11                | 4           | 6                      | 2           | 1                       | <1          | 0                         | 0             |
| Self-employed                        | 0                                  | 0           | 4                 | 1           | 4                      | 1           | 2                       | 1           | 0                         | 0             |
| Other employment                     | 3                                  | 3           | 6                 | 2           | 5                      | 1           | 1                       | <1          | 0                         | 0             |
| <b>Total Employment:</b>             | <b>65</b>                          | <b>75%</b>  | <b>242</b>        | <b>79%</b>  | <b>270</b>             | <b>80%</b>  | <b>115</b>              | <b>55%</b>  | <b>1</b>                  | <b>&lt;1%</b> |
| <b><u>Other Activities:</u></b>      |                                    |             |                   |             |                        |             |                         |             |                           |               |
| Military                             | 0                                  | 0           | 2                 | 1           | 1                      | <1          | 1                       | <1          | 0                         | 0             |
| Nongraduate Study                    | 1                                  | 1           | 5                 | 2           | 3                      | 1           | 1                       | <1          | 0                         | 0             |
| Travel                               | 2                                  | 2           | 3                 | 1           | 2                      | 1           | 1                       | <1          | 0                         | 0             |
| Travel/Work                          | 1                                  | 1           | 0                 | 0           | 1                      | <1          | 0                       | 0           | 0                         | 0             |
| Travel/Study                         | 1                                  | 1           | 1                 | <1          | 1                      | <1          | 2                       | 1           | 0                         | 0             |
| Work/Study                           | 1                                  | 1           | 0                 | 0           | 1                      | <1          | 0                       | 0           | 0                         | 0             |
| Other & Unknown                      | 0                                  | 0           | 0                 | 0           | 0                      | 0           | 1                       | <1          | 0                         | 0             |
| <b>Total Other Activities:</b>       | <b>6</b>                           | <b>7%</b>   | <b>11</b>         | <b>4%</b>   | <b>9</b>               | <b>3%</b>   | <b>6</b>                | <b>3%</b>   | <b>0</b>                  | <b>0%</b>     |
| <b>Total:</b>                        | <b>87</b>                          | <b>100%</b> | <b>305</b>        | <b>100%</b> | <b>338</b>             | <b>100%</b> | <b>211</b>              | <b>100%</b> | <b>1</b>                  | <b>100%</b>   |

**Notes:**

\* Undergraduate Major Divisions:

Languages & Literatures: Languages and literatures, English and foreign, ancient or modern.

Humanities: Architecture, art, classical civilization, film, history, history of art, history of science/history of medicine, humanities, music, philosophy, and religious studies.

Social Sciences: Anthropology, archaeology, economics, linguistics, political science, psychology, and sociology.

Natural Sciences: Astronomy, biology, chemistry, computer science, engineering, forestry & environmental studies, geology & geophysics, mathematics, molecular biophysics & biochemistry, physics, and statistics.

**Table 4.b.**

**Yale College Class of 2008  
Activities One Year After Graduation by Yale College Major**

| Majors  | # in Graduate & Professional Study |                |                 |          |           |                        |                     |                            | # in Employment          |                    |           |                               |                |                     |             |                                 | # in Other Activities | # Who Did not Answer Survey | Total # of Majors in Class 2008 |            |
|---|------------------------------------|----------------|-----------------|----------|-----------|------------------------|---------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------|-----------|-------------------------------|----------------|---------------------|-------------|---------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------------------|------------|
|   | Humanities                         | Social Science | Natural Science | Business | Law       | Medicine & Med Related | Fine & Applied Arts | Other Study <sup>(1)</sup> | Education <sup>(2)</sup> | Business & Finance | Industry  | Public Service <sup>(3)</sup> | Communications | Fine & Applied Arts | Law Related | Other Employment <sup>(4)</sup> |                       |                             |                                 | Unemployed |
| <b>Humanities:</b>                                |                                    |                |                 |          |           |                        |                     |                            |                          |                    |           |                               |                |                     |             |                                 |                       |                             |                                 |            |
| African-American Studies <sup>(6)</sup>           | 0                                  | 0              | 0               | 0        | 0         | 0                      | 0                   | 0                          | 2                        | 1                  | 0         | 0                             | 1              | 0                   | 0           | 0                               | 1                     | 0                           | 5                               | 10         |
| American Studies                                  | 1                                  | 0              | 0               | 0        | 1         | 0                      | 0                   | 1                          | 0                        | 1                  | 0         | 1                             | 4              | 0                   | 0           | 1                               | 3                     | 0                           | 8                               | 21         |
| Classics <sup>(7)</sup>                           | 2                                  | 0              | 0               | 0        | 0         | 1                      | 0                   | 0                          | 2                        | 1                  | 0         | 1                             | 1              | 0                   | 0           | 0                               | 0                     | 0                           | 5                               | 13         |
| Comparative Literature <sup>(8)</sup>             | 1                                  | 0              | 0               | 0        | 0         | 0                      | 1                   | 0                          | 6                        | 1                  | 0         | 1                             | 2              | 2                   | 0           | 2                               | 1                     | 3                           | 9                               | 29         |
| East Asian Languages & Literatures <sup>(9)</sup> | 2                                  | 0              | 0               | 0        | 0         | 0                      | 0                   | 0                          | 5                        | 3                  | 1         | 0                             | 2              | 0                   | 0           | 0                               | 0                     | 0                           | 6                               | 19         |
| English   | 2                                  | 0              | 0               | 0        | 2         | 1                      | 2                   | 1                          | 8                        | 5                  | 3         | 4                             | 5              | 6                   | 1           | 5                               | 1                     | 3                           | 16                              | 65         |
| French  | 0                                  | 0              | 0               | 0        | 0         | 0                      | 0                   | 0                          | 0                        | 0                  | 1         | 0                             | 0              | 1                   | 1           | 0                               | 1                     | 0                           | 0                               | 4          |
| Germanic Languages & Literatures <sup>(10)</sup>  | 1                                  | 0              | 0               | 0        | 0         | 0                      | 0                   | 0                          | 1                        | 0                  | 0         | 0                             | 0              | 0                   | 0           | 0                               | 0                     | 0                           | 0                               | 2          |
| History   | 3                                  | 1              | 0               | 0        | 7         | 1                      | 3                   | 3                          | 13                       | 35                 | 7         | 10                            | 7              | 2                   | 10          | 13                              | 3                     | 6                           | 53                              | 177        |
| History of Art                                    | 1                                  | 0              | 0               | 0        | 0         | 1                      | 0                   | 0                          | 1                        | 1                  | 0         | 0                             | 1              | 1                   | 0           | 1                               | 0                     | 0                           | 7                               | 14         |
| Italian   | 0                                  | 0              | 0               | 0        | 0         | 0                      | 0                   | 1                          | 0                        | 0                  | 0         | 0                             | 0              | 0                   | 0           | 0                               | 0                     | 0                           | 0                               | 1          |
| Music   | 0                                  | 0              | 0               | 0        | 0         | 0                      | 5                   | 0                          | 8                        | 1                  | 1         | 0                             | 0              | 3                   | 0           | 0                               | 1                     | 1                           | 3                               | 23         |
| Near Eastern Languages & Civilizations            | 0                                  | 0              | 0               | 0        | 1         | 0                      | 0                   | 0                          | 1                        | 0                  | 0         | 0                             | 0              | 0                   | 0           | 0                               | 0                     | 0                           | 4                               | 6          |
| Philosophy  | 0                                  | 0              | 0               | 0        | 1         | 0                      | 0                   | 0                          | 2                        | 2                  | 3         | 4                             | 0              | 1                   | 2           | 1                               | 0                     | 0                           | 0                               | 16         |
| Religious Studies                                 | 0                                  | 0              | 0               | 0        | 0         | 0                      | 0                   | 2                          | 4                        | 1                  | 0         | 1                             | 2              | 0                   | 1           | 1                               | 0                     | 0                           | 3                               | 15         |
| Spanish   | 0                                  | 0              | 0               | 0        | 0         | 0                      | 0                   | 0                          | 1                        | 0                  | 0         | 1                             | 0              | 0                   | 0           | 0                               | 0                     | 0                           | 1                               | 3          |
| <b>Division Total</b>                             | <b>13</b>                          | <b>1</b>       | <b>0</b>        | <b>0</b> | <b>12</b> | <b>4</b>               | <b>11</b>           | <b>8</b>                   | <b>54</b>                | <b>52</b>          | <b>16</b> | <b>23</b>                     | <b>25</b>      | <b>16</b>           | <b>15</b>   | <b>24</b>                       | <b>11</b>             | <b>13</b>                   | <b>120</b>                      | <b>418</b> |

**Table 4.b. (continued)**

| Majors  | # in Graduate & Professional Study |                |                 |          |           |                        |                     |                            | # in Employment          |                    |           |                               |                |                     |             |                                 | Unemployed | # in Other Activities <sup>(5)</sup> | # Who Did not Answer Survey | Total # of Majors in Class 2008 |
|---|------------------------------------|----------------|-----------------|----------|-----------|------------------------|---------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------|-----------|-------------------------------|----------------|---------------------|-------------|---------------------------------|------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------------------|
|   | Humanities                         | Social Science | Natural Science | Business | Law       | Medicine & Med Related | Fine & Applied Arts | Other Study <sup>(1)</sup> | Education <sup>(2)</sup> | Business & Finance | Industry  | Public Service <sup>(3)</sup> | Communications | Fine & Applied Arts | Law Related | Other Employment <sup>(4)</sup> |            |                                      |                             |                                 |
| <b>Social Sciences:</b>                       |                                    |                |                 |          |           |                        |                     |                            |                          |                    |           |                               |                |                     |             |                                 |            |                                      |                             |                                 |
| Anthropology                                  | 0                                  | 0              | 1               | 0        | 0         | 0                      | 0                   | 1                          | 6                        | 3                  | 0         | 1                             | 0              | 0                   | 0           | 1                               | 0          | 2                                    | 8                           | 23                              |
| Economics                                     | 0                                  | 2              | 2               | 2        | 5         | 0                      | 1                   | 1                          | 4                        | 54                 | 6         | 1                             | 0              | 0                   | 6           | 6                               | 1          | 4                                    | 40                          | 135                             |
| Linguistics                                   | 0                                  | 0              | 0               | 0        | 0         | 0                      | 0                   | 0                          | 1                        | 0                  | 0         | 2                             | 0              | 0                   | 0           | 0                               | 0          | 1                                    | 2                           | 6                               |
| Political Science                             | 3                                  | 0              | 0               | 4        | 6         | 1                      | 0                   | 2                          | 18                       | 22                 | 7         | 9                             | 2              | 1                   | 6           | 6                               | 3          | 0                                    | 59                          | 149                             |
| Psychology                                    | 0                                  | 1              | 0               | 1        | 3         | 6                      | 0                   | 0                          | 13                       | 5                  | 3         | 6                             | 0              | 1                   | 2           | 11                              | 1          | 1                                    | 24                          | 78                              |
| Sociology                                     | 0                                  | 1              | 0               | 0        | 1         | 0                      | 0                   | 0                          | 3                        | 3                  | 1         | 3                             | 0              | 0                   | 0           | 0                               | 0          | 0                                    | 3                           | 15                              |
| <b>Division Total</b>                         | <b>3</b>                           | <b>4</b>       | <b>3</b>        | <b>7</b> | <b>15</b> | <b>7</b>               | <b>1</b>            | <b>4</b>                   | <b>45</b>                | <b>87</b>          | <b>17</b> | <b>22</b>                     | <b>2</b>       | <b>2</b>            | <b>14</b>   | <b>24</b>                       | <b>5</b>   | <b>8</b>                             | <b>136</b>                  | <b>406</b>                      |
| <b>Physical Sciences:</b>                     |                                    |                |                 |          |           |                        |                     |                            |                          |                    |           |                               |                |                     |             |                                 |            |                                      |                             |                                 |
| Astronomy <sup>(11)</sup>                     | 0                                  | 0              | 1               | 0        | 0         | 0                      | 0                   | 0                          | 0                        | 0                  | 1         | 0                             | 0              | 0                   | 0           | 0                               | 0          | 1                                    | 0                           | 3                               |
| Chemistry                                     | 0                                  | 0              | 2               | 0        | 0         | 2                      | 0                   | 1                          | 3                        | 0                  | 0         | 1                             | 0              | 0                   | 1           | 0                               | 0          | 0                                    | 2                           | 12                              |
| Computer Science                              | 0                                  | 0              | 0               | 0        | 0         | 0                      | 0                   | 0                          | 0                        | 1                  | 7         | 0                             | 0              | 0                   | 0           | 1                               | 0          | 0                                    | 2                           | 11                              |
| Engineering & Applied Science <sup>(12)</sup> | 0                                  | 0              | 0               | 0        | 0         | 0                      | 0                   | 0                          | 0                        | 0                  | 1         | 0                             | 0              | 0                   | 0           | 0                               | 0          | 0                                    | 0                           | 1                               |
| Applied Physics                               | 0                                  | 0              | 0               | 0        | 0         | 0                      | 0                   | 0                          | 1                        | 0                  | 1         | 0                             | 0              | 0                   | 0           | 0                               | 0          | 0                                    | 0                           | 2                               |
| Biomedical Engineering                        | 0                                  | 0              | 1               | 0        | 0         | 1                      | 0                   | 1                          | 5                        | 3                  | 3         | 0                             | 0              | 0                   | 0           | 1                               | 0          | 0                                    | 6                           | 21                              |
| Chemical                                      | 0                                  | 0              | 2               | 0        | 0         | 1                      | 0                   | 1                          | 0                        | 0                  | 1         | 0                             | 0              | 0                   | 0           | 0                               | 0          | 0                                    | 1                           | 6                               |
| Electrical                                    | 0                                  | 0              | 1               | 0        | 0         | 0                      | 0                   | 0                          | 1                        | 2                  | 0         | 0                             | 0              | 0                   | 0           | 0                               | 0          | 0                                    | 1                           | 5                               |
| Environmental                                 | 0                                  | 0              | 0               | 0        | 0         | 0                      | 0                   | 0                          | 0                        | 0                  | 0         | 1                             | 0              | 0                   | 0           | 0                               | 0          | 0                                    | 2                           | 3                               |
| Mechanical                                    | 0                                  | 0              | 4               | 0        | 1         | 0                      | 0                   | 0                          | 2                        | 2                  | 1         | 0                             | 0              | 0                   | 1           | 0                               | 0          | 0                                    | 8                           | 19                              |
| Geology & Geophysics                          | 0                                  | 0              | 1               | 0        | 0         | 0                      | 0                   | 0                          | 0                        | 0                  | 0         | 0                             | 0              | 0                   | 0           | 0                               | 0          | 0                                    | 0                           | 1                               |
| Mathematics                                   | 0                                  | 0              | 4               | 0        | 0         | 0                      | 0                   | 0                          | 2                        | 4                  | 2         | 0                             | 0              | 0                   | 0           | 0                               | 1          | 1                                    | 0                           | 14                              |
| Physics                                       | 0                                  | 0              | 2               | 0        | 0         | 1                      | 0                   | 0                          | 6                        | 2                  | 1         | 2                             | 0              | 0                   | 0           | 0                               | 0          | 1                                    | 4                           | 19                              |
| <b>Division Total</b>                         | <b>0</b>                           | <b>0</b>       | <b>18</b>       | <b>0</b> | <b>1</b>  | <b>5</b>               | <b>0</b>            | <b>3</b>                   | <b>20</b>                | <b>14</b>          | <b>18</b> | <b>4</b>                      | <b>0</b>       | <b>0</b>            | <b>1</b>    | <b>3</b>                        | <b>1</b>   | <b>3</b>                             | <b>26</b>                   | <b>117</b>                      |
| <b>Biological Sciences:</b>                   |                                    |                |                 |          |           |                        |                     |                            |                          |                    |           |                               |                |                     |             |                                 |            |                                      |                             |                                 |
| Biology                                       | 0                                  | 0              | 4               | 0        | 0         | 31                     | 0                   | 1                          | 19                       | 3                  | 2         | 2                             | 1              | 1                   | 1           | 8                               | 0          | 3                                    | 18                          | 94                              |
| Molecular Biophysics & Biochemistry           | 0                                  | 0              | 4               | 0        | 1         | 19                     | 0                   | 0                          | 4                        | 1                  | 0         | 0                             | 0              | 0                   | 0           | 1                               | 0          | 0                                    | 6                           | 36                              |
| <b>Division Total</b>                         | <b>0</b>                           | <b>0</b>       | <b>8</b>        | <b>0</b> | <b>1</b>  | <b>50</b>              | <b>0</b>            | <b>1</b>                   | <b>23</b>                | <b>4</b>           | <b>2</b>  | <b>2</b>                      | <b>1</b>       | <b>1</b>            | <b>1</b>    | <b>9</b>                        | <b>0</b>   | <b>3</b>                             | <b>24</b>                   | <b>130</b>                      |

Table 4.b. (continued)

| Majors                                 | # in Graduate & Professional Study |                |                 |          |           |                        |                     |                            | # in Employment          |                    |           |                               |                |                     |             |                                 | Unemployed | # in Other Activities <sup>(5)</sup> | # Who Did not Answer Survey | Total # of Majors in Class 2008 |
|--|------------------------------------|----------------|-----------------|----------|-----------|------------------------|---------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------|-----------|-------------------------------|----------------|---------------------|-------------|---------------------------------|------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------------------|
|  | Humanities                         | Social Science | Natural Science | Business | Law       | Medicine & Med Related | Fine & Applied Arts | Other Study <sup>(1)</sup> | Education <sup>(2)</sup> | Business & Finance | Industry  | Public Service <sup>(3)</sup> | Communications | Fine & Applied Arts | Law Related | Other Employment <sup>(4)</sup> |            |                                      |                             |                                 |
|  |                                    |                |                 |          |           |                        |                     |                            |                          |                    |           |                               |                |                     |             |                                 |            |                                      |                             |                                 |
| <b>Other Programs:</b>                 |                                    |                |                 |          |           |                        |                     |                            |                          |                    |           |                               |                |                     |             |                                 |            |                                      |                             |                                 |
| Applied Mathematics                    | 1                                  | 0              | 0               | 0        | 1         | 0                      | 0                   | 0                          | 0                        | 1                  | 0         | 0                             | 0              | 0                   | 0           | 0                               | 0          | 0                                    | 1                           | 4                               |
| Archeological Studies                  | 0                                  | 0              | 0               | 0        | 0         | 0                      | 0                   | 0                          | 1                        | 0                  | 1         | 0                             | 0              | 0                   | 0           | 0                               | 0          | 0                                    | 0                           | 2                               |
| Architecture                           | 2                                  | 0              | 0               | 0        | 0         | 0                      | 0                   | 1                          | 3                        | 1                  | 0         | 0                             | 2              | 6                   | 0           | 3                               | 1          | 0                                    | 1                           | 21                              |
| Art                                    | 0                                  | 0              | 0               | 0        | 0         | 0                      | 0                   | 0                          | 2                        | 1                  | 0         | 0                             | 0              | 1                   | 0           | 4                               | 0          | 1                                    | 7                           | 16                              |
| Cognitive Science                      | 0                                  | 0              | 1               | 0        | 0         | 0                      | 0                   | 0                          | 9                        | 1                  | 2         | 1                             | 0              | 0                   | 0           | 2                               | 0          | 0                                    | 1                           | 17                              |
| Computer Science & Mathematics         | 0                                  | 0              | 0               | 0        | 0         | 0                      | 0                   | 0                          | 0                        | 1                  | 0         | 0                             | 0              | 0                   | 0           | 0                               | 0          | 0                                    | 0                           | 1                               |
| Computer Science & Psychology          | 0                                  | 0              | 0               | 0        | 0         | 0                      | 0                   | 0                          | 0                        | 0                  | 0         | 0                             | 0              | 0                   | 0           | 0                               | 0          | 0                                    | 1                           | 1                               |
| Economics & Mathematics                | 2                                  | 0              | 0               | 0        | 0         | 0                      | 0                   | 0                          | 1                        | 7                  | 2         | 0                             | 0              | 0                   | 0           | 0                               | 0          | 0                                    | 5                           | 17                              |
| Electrical Engineering & Computer Sci. | 0                                  | 0              | 0               | 0        | 0         | 0                      | 0                   | 0                          | 0                        | 0                  | 2         | 0                             | 0              | 0                   | 0           | 0                               | 0          | 0                                    | 1                           | 3                               |
| Environmental Studies                  | 0                                  | 0              | 0               | 0        | 0         | 0                      | 0                   | 0                          | 2                        | 0                  | 0         | 2                             | 0              | 0                   | 0           | 1                               | 0          | 0                                    | 4                           | 9                               |
| Ethics, Politics & Economics           | 1                                  | 3              | 0               | 0        | 3         | 3                      | 1                   | 0                          | 4                        | 6                  | 0         | 0                             | 0              | 0                   | 0           | 0                               | 0          | 1                                    | 9                           | 31                              |
| Film Studies                           | 0                                  | 0              | 0               | 0        | 0         | 0                      | 0                   | 1                          | 1                        | 0                  | 1         | 0                             | 2              | 4                   | 0           | 2                               | 2          | 0                                    | 3                           | 16                              |
| History Science, History Medicine      | 0                                  | 0              | 0               | 0        | 0         | 7                      | 0                   | 0                          | 4                        | 1                  | 0         | 6                             | 1              | 0                   | 1           | 6                               | 0          | 2                                    | 10                          | 38                              |
| Humanities                             | 0                                  | 2              | 0               | 0        | 1         | 0                      | 0                   | 0                          | 1                        | 1                  | 1         | 1                             | 2              | 2                   | 0           | 1                               | 1          | 1                                    | 2                           | 16                              |
| Judaic Studies                         | 0                                  | 0              | 0               | 0        | 0         | 0                      | 0                   | 0                          | 0                        | 0                  | 0         | 0                             | 0              | 0                   | 0           | 0                               | 0          | 0                                    | 0                           | 0                               |
| Latin American Studies                 | 0                                  | 0              | 0               | 0        | 0         | 0                      | 0                   | 0                          | 0                        | 0                  | 1         | 0                             | 0              | 0                   | 1           | 0                               | 0          | 0                                    | 1                           | 3                               |
| Mathematics & Philosophy               | 1                                  | 0              | 0               | 0        | 0         | 0                      | 0                   | 0                          | 0                        | 0                  | 0         | 0                             | 1              | 0                   | 0           | 0                               | 0          | 0                                    | 0                           | 2                               |
| Mathematics & Physics                  | 0                                  | 0              | 0               | 0        | 0         | 0                      | 0                   | 0                          | 0                        | 0                  | 0         | 0                             | 0              | 0                   | 0           | 0                               | 0          | 0                                    | 0                           | 0                               |
| Physics & Philosophy                   | 0                                  | 0              | 0               | 0        | 0         | 0                      | 0                   | 0                          | 1                        | 0                  | 0         | 0                             | 0              | 0                   | 0           | 0                               | 0          | 0                                    | 0                           | 1                               |
| Portuguese                             | 0                                  | 0              | 0               | 0        | 0         | 0                      | 0                   | 0                          | 1                        | 0                  | 0         | 0                             | 0              | 0                   | 0           | 0                               | 0          | 0                                    | 0                           | 1                               |
| Russian                                | 0                                  | 0              | 0               | 0        | 0         | 0                      | 0                   | 0                          | 0                        | 0                  | 0         | 0                             | 0              | 0                   | 0           | 0                               | 0          | 0                                    | 1                           | 1                               |
| Russian & East European Studies        | 1                                  | 0              | 0               | 0        | 0         | 0                      | 0                   | 0                          | 2                        | 0                  | 0         | 0                             | 0              | 0                   | 0           | 0                               | 0          | 0                                    | 0                           | 3                               |
| Special Divisional Major               | 0                                  | 0              | 0               | 0        | 0         | 0                      | 0                   | 0                          | 0                        | 0                  | 1         | 0                             | 0              | 0                   | 0           | 0                               | 0          | 0                                    | 1                           | 2                               |
| Theater Studies                        | 0                                  | 0              | 1               | 0        | 0         | 0                      | 2                   | 0                          | 3                        | 0                  | 1         | 0                             | 1              | 8                   | 0           | 2                               | 0          | 0                                    | 5                           | 23                              |
| Women's, Gender, & Sexuality Studies   | 0                                  | 0              | 0               | 0        | 0         | 0                      | 0                   | 1                          | 0                        | 1                  | 0         | 0                             | 0              | 0                   | 0           | 0                               | 0          | 0                                    | 0                           | 2                               |
| <b>Total Other Programs</b>            | <b>8</b>                           | <b>5</b>       | <b>2</b>        | <b>0</b> | <b>5</b>  | <b>10</b>              | <b>4</b>            | <b>3</b>                   | <b>35</b>                | <b>21</b>          | <b>12</b> | <b>10</b>                     | <b>9</b>       | <b>21</b>           | <b>2</b>    | <b>21</b>                       | <b>4</b>   | <b>5</b>                             | <b>53</b>                   | <b>230</b>                      |
| <b>Total</b>                           | <b>24</b>                          | <b>10</b>      | <b>31</b>       | <b>7</b> | <b>34</b> | <b>76</b>              | <b>16</b>           | <b>19</b>                  | <b>177</b>               | <b>178</b>         | <b>65</b> | <b>61</b>                     | <b>37</b>      | <b>40</b>           | <b>33</b>   | <b>81</b>                       | <b>21</b>  | <b>32</b>                            | <b>359</b>                  | <b>1,301</b>                    |

**Table 4.b. (continued)**

**Notes:**

- (1) Other Study: includes study in other arts and sciences, education, architecture, engineering & planning, divinity and other professional areas, as well as other advanced degree programs but school type and/or area unknown.
- (2) Education: includes both instructional and non-instructional jobs in education.
- (3) Public Service: includes social work, government jobs, Peace Corps, and other non-profit organizations.
- (4) Other Employment: includes jobs in health fields, environmental areas, manual work, self-employment, museum work, athletics, and miscellaneous others.
- (5) Other Activities: includes military, non-graduate study, travel, travel/study, travel/work, work/study, and miscellaneous activities.
- (6) African-American Studies: includes majors in African Studies and African-American Studies.
- (7) Classics: includes majors in classical civilization, classics (Greek), classics (Latin), and classics (Greek & Latin).
- (8) Comparative Literature: includes the literature major.
- (9) East Asian Languages & Literature: includes East Asian Studies (China and Japan), Chinese, and Japanese.
- (10) Germanic Languages & Literature: includes German Studies and German.
- (11) Astronomy includes Astronomy & Physics majors.
- (12) Engineering: Chemical Engineering and Engineering Science (Chemical) are included in "Chemical"; Electrical Engineering and Engineering Science (Electrical) are included in "Electrical"; and Mechanical Engineering and Engineering Science (Mechanical) are included in "Mechanical."

*Please note that students with double majors are counted in only one of the given majors.*

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**Table 5***(based on survey data)*

**Class of 2008**  
**Post-Graduation Activities by Graduate Standing (Honors) \***

*(Men and Women combined)*

| Type of Activity                     | Standard BA/BS |             | General Honors |             |
|--------------------------------------|----------------|-------------|----------------|-------------|
|                                      | #              | %           | #              | %           |
| <b><u>Graduate Study:</u></b>        |                |             |                |             |
| Humanities                           | 11             | 2           | 13             | 4           |
| Social Sciences                      | 8              | 1           | 2              | 1           |
| Natural Sciences                     | 18             | 3           | 13             | 4           |
| Other Arts & Sciences                | 2              | <1          | 2              | 1           |
| Total Arts & Sciences                | 39             | 6%          | 30             | 15%         |
| Education                            | 3              | <1          | 0              | 0           |
| Business                             | 7              | 1           | 0              | 0           |
| Law                                  | 17             | 3           | 17             | 6           |
| Medicine                             | 30             | 5           | 32             | 11          |
| Medical Related                      | 9              | 1           | 5              | 2           |
| Fine Arts                            | 9              | 1           | 4              | 1           |
| Applied Arts                         | 3              | <1          | 0              | 0           |
| Architecture, Engineering & Planning | 1              | <1          | 1              | <1          |
| Divinity                             | 2              | <1          | 1              | <1          |
| Other Professional                   | 4              | 1           | 3              | 1           |
| Total Professional                   | 85             | 13%         | 63             | 22%         |
| <b>Total Graduate Study</b>          | <b>124</b>     | <b>19%</b>  | <b>93</b>      | <b>32%</b>  |
| <b><u>Employment:</u></b>            |                |             |                |             |
| Education                            | 116            | 18          | 61             | 21          |
| Business & Finance                   | 120            | 18          | 58             | 20          |
| Industry                             | 56             | 9           | 9              | 3           |
| Government & Public Service          | 37             | 6           | 19             | 7           |
| Social Work                          | 4              | 1           | 1              | <1          |
| Communication                        | 27             | 4           | 10             | 3           |
| Health Fields                        | 25             | 4           | 4              | 1           |
| Manual Work                          | 4              | 1           | 0              | 0           |
| Fine Arts                            | 26             | 4           | 5              | 2           |
| Applied Arts                         | 8              | 1           | 1              | <1          |
| Law Related                          | 25             | 4           | 8              | 3           |
| Environmental Areas                  | 2              | <1          | 1              | <1          |
| Museum Work                          | 8              | 1           | 3              | 1           |
| Athletics                            | 8              | 1           | 1              | <1          |
| Unemployed                           | 17             | 3           | 4              | 1           |
| Self-employed                        | 7              | 1           | 3              | 1           |
| Other employment                     | 13             | 2           | 2              | 1           |
| <b>Total Employment</b>              | <b>503</b>     | <b>77%</b>  | <b>190</b>     | <b>66%</b>  |
| <b><u>Other Activities:</u></b>      |                |             |                |             |
| Military                             | 3              | <1          | 1              | <1          |
| Nongraduate Study                    | 10             | 2           | 0              | 0           |
| Travel                               | 7              | 1           | 1              | <1          |
| Travel/Study                         | 3              | <1          | 2              | 1           |
| Travel/Work                          | 2              | <1          | 0              | 0           |
| Work/Study                           | 0              | 0           | 2              | 1           |
| Other & Unknown                      | 0              | 0           | 1              | <1          |
| <b>Total Other Activities</b>        | <b>25</b>      | <b>4%</b>   | <b>7</b>       | <b>2%</b>   |
| <b>Total</b>                         | <b>652</b>     | <b>100%</b> | <b>290</b>     | <b>100%</b> |

**Note:**

\* Percentages have been rounded and may not equal 100%.

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**Table 6**

**Graduate and Professional Schools Chosen**

**by the Class of 2008 \***

*(based on survey data)*

| School                       | Men             |           |           |           |            | Women           |           |           |           |            | Total           |           |           |           |            | # of Students |                  |            |            |
|------------------------------|-----------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|------------|-----------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|------------|-----------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|------------|---------------|------------------|------------|------------|
|                              | Arts & Sciences | Law       | Medicine  | Other     | All Men    | Arts & Sciences | Law       | Medicine  | Other     | All Women  | Arts & Sciences | Law       | Medicine  | Other     | # Total    | % Total       | From Classes of: |            |            |
|                              |                 |           |           |           |            |                 |           |           |           |            |                 |           |           |           |            |               | 2006             | 2004       | 2002       |
| Harvard                      | 1               | 6         | 2         | 1         | 10         | 6               | 3         | 3         | 2         | 14         | 7               | 9         | 5         | 3         | 24         | 11%           | 21               | 33         | 14         |
| Yale                         | 2               | 1         | 3         | 5         | 11         | 1               | 2         | 1         | 8         | 12         | 3               | 3         | 4         | 13        | 23         | 11%           | 32               | 24         | 32         |
| Stanford                     | 3               | 2         | 3         | 1         | 9          | 1               | 0         | 1         | 0         | 2          | 4               | 2         | 4         | 1         | 11         | 5%            | 7                | 7          | 3          |
| Cambridge University         | 5               | 0         | 0         | 0         | 5          | 4               | 0         | 0         | 2         | 6          | 9               | 0         | 0         | 2         | 11         | 5%            | 6                | 12         | 11         |
| Columbia                     | 0               | 0         | 2         | 2         | 4          | 1               | 3         | 1         | 1         | 6          | 1               | 3         | 3         | 3         | 10         | 5%            | 15               | 19         | 6          |
| New York University          | 0               | 1         | 3         | 0         | 4          | 0               | 1         | 2         | 2         | 5          | 0               | 2         | 5         | 2         | 9          | 4%            | 6                | 12         | 14         |
| U of Pennsylvania            | 0               | 1         | 1         | 0         | 2          | 0               | 3         | 1         | 1         | 5          | 0               | 4         | 2         | 1         | 7          | 3%            | 11               | 11         | 9          |
| Oxford University            | 4               | 2         | 0         | 0         | 6          | 0               | 0         | 0         | 0         | 0          | 4               | 2         | 0         | 0         | 6          | 3%            | 13               | 7          | 13         |
| Emory                        | 0               | 0         | 3         | 0         | 3          | 0               | 0         | 1         | 0         | 1          | 0               | 0         | 4         | 0         | 4          | 2%            | 1                | 2          | 3          |
| U of Michigan                | 1               | 1         | 2         | 0         | 4          | 0               | 0         | 0         | 0         | 0          | 1               | 1         | 2         | 0         | 4          | 2%            | 2                | 4          | 5          |
| California Institute of Tech | 3               | 0         | 0         | 0         | 3          | 0               | 0         | 0         | 0         | 0          | 3               | 0         | 0         | 0         | 3          | 1%            | 1                | 2          | 2          |
| Johns Hopkins                | 0               | 0         | 1         | 0         | 1          | 1               | 0         | 1         | 0         | 2          | 1               | 0         | 2         | 0         | 3          | 1%            | 11               | 7          | 8          |
| Princeton                    | 1               | 0         | 0         | 0         | 1          | 2               | 0         | 0         | 0         | 2          | 3               | 0         | 0         | 0         | 3          | 1%            | 1                | 3          | 2          |
| Others                       | 19              | 10        | 16        | 12        | 57         | 18              | 7         | 19        | 22        | 66         | 37              | 17        | 35        | 34        | 123        | 57%           | 87               | 142        | 161        |
| <b>Total</b>                 | <b>38</b>       | <b>18</b> | <b>34</b> | <b>20</b> | <b>110</b> | <b>28</b>       | <b>16</b> | <b>27</b> | <b>36</b> | <b>107</b> | <b>66</b>       | <b>34</b> | <b>61</b> | <b>56</b> | <b>217</b> | <b>100%</b>   | <b>214</b>       | <b>285</b> | <b>283</b> |

**Note:**

\* Listed here are schools in which 3 or more Yale College students entered after graduation. This table also includes schools attended by graduates engaged in "Other Activities" as listed in Table 1a of this report for "Work/Study" and "Travel/Study."

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| <b>Table 7</b>                               |                                 |                        |                      |                                 |   |
|--|---------------------------------|------------------------|----------------------|---------------------------------|---|
| <b>Overall Summary of Activities</b>         |                                 |                        |                      |                                 |   |
| <b>Classes of 1960 to 2008<sup>(1)</sup></b> |                                 |                        |                      |                                 |   |
| <i>(Summary Table)<sup>(3)</sup></i>         |                                 |                        |                      |                                 |   |
| <b>Year of Graduation</b>                    | <b>Post-Graduate Study</b><br>% | <b>Employment</b><br>% | <b>Military</b><br>% | <b>Other or Indefinite</b><br>% | <b>Total in the Graduating Class</b><br># |
| 1960   | 51                              | 16                     | 20                   | 13                              | 901                                       |
| 1966   | 64                              | 11                     | 13                   | 12                              | 1,010                                     |
| 1968   | 51                              | 19                     | 20                   | 10                              | 1,003                                     |
| 1969   | 46                              | 24                     | 14                   | 16                              | 990                                       |
| 1970   | 46                              | 16                     | 6                    | 29                              | 926                                       |
| 1971   | 51                              | 21                     | 5                    | 24                              | 1,111                                     |
| 1972   | 54                              | 19                     | 1                    | 26                              | 1,093                                     |
| 1973   | 41                              | 17                     | 1                    | 41                              | 1,148                                     |
| 1974   | 48                              | 39                     | 4                    | 12                              | 1,213                                     |
| 1975   | 54 <sup>(2)</sup>               | 36                     | 4                    | 3                               | 1,210                                     |
| 1976   | 46 <sup>(2)</sup>               | 41                     | 0                    | 2                               | 1,254                                     |
| 1977   | 38 <sup>(2)</sup>               | 45                     | 0                    | 3                               | 1,271                                     |
| 1978   | 35 <sup>(2)</sup>               | 45                     | 4                    | 3                               | 1,301                                     |
| 1979   | 31 <sup>(2)</sup>               | 50                     | 4                    | 5                               | 1,270                                     |
| 1980   | 32 <sup>(2)</sup>               | 50                     | 0                    | 2                               | 1,261                                     |
| 1984   | 36                              | 52                     | 1                    | 12                              | 1,255                                     |
| 1985   | 34                              | 58                     | 1                    | 7                               | 1,260                                     |
| 1987   | 27                              | 64                     | <1                   | 8                               | 1,254                                     |
| 1989   | 28                              | 65                     | 1                    | 6                               | 1,237                                     |
| 1990   | 27                              | 65                     | <1                   | 7                               | 1,297                                     |
| 1992   | 33                              | 61                     | 1                    | 5                               | 1,261                                     |
| 1994   | 35                              | 60                     | <1                   | 5                               | 1,285                                     |
| 1996   | 29                              | 65                     | 1                    | 5                               | 1,253                                     |
| 1998   | 28                              | 65                     | <1                   | 7                               | 1,243                                     |
| 2000   | 23                              | 70                     | <1                   | 7                               | 1,349                                     |
| 2002   | 31                              | 64                     | 1                    | 4                               | 1,221                                     |
| 2004   | 27                              | 69                     | 1                    | 3                               | 1,280                                     |
| 2006   | 24                              | 73                     | <1                   | 3                               | 1,279                                     |
| 2008   | 23                              | 74                     | <1                   | 3                               | 1,301                                     |

**Notes:**

(1) From 1960 to 1973, approximately 70-80% of the graduating classes responded to a questionnaire distributed to all seniors during their final spring semester. From 1974-1980, a similarly high proportion responded, but seniors were not surveyed until one year after graduation. In 1984, seniors were once again surveyed during their final spring semester, with a response rate of 76%. (Because this was the only class since 1974 surveyed prior to graduation, comparisons of this class should be made with caution.) The Classes of 1985, 1987 and 1989 were surveyed over the year following graduation, with a response rate of 77%. Classes every two years from 1990 through 2008 were surveyed over the year following graduation, with an overall response rate ranging from 72% to 82%.

(2) Percentages for these years were adjusted (from the original study report) to exclude graduates who deferred graduate/professional study one year.

(3) Percentages have been rounded and may not equal 100%.

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| <b>Table 8</b>   |                                  |                                    |                                     |   |                                  |                             |                             |  |   |
|--|----------------------------------|------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|---|----------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|--|---|
| <b>1968-2008 Graduate Study Chosen</b>                                 |                                  |                                    |                                     |   |                                  |                             |                             |  |   |
| <b><u>Type of Graduate Study Chosen for Yale College Graduates</u></b> |                                  |                                    |                                     |   |                                  |                             |                             |  |   |
| <b><u>Who Are Attending Graduate School</u></b>                        |                                  |                                    |                                     |   |                                  |                             |                             |  |   |
| <i>Summary Table</i>   |                                  |                                    |                                     |   |                                  |                             |                             |  |   |
| <b>Year of Graduation</b>  | <b>Arts &amp; Sciences Study</b> |                                    |                                     |   | <b>Professional School Study</b> |                             |                             |  | <b>Total Students Choosing Graduate Study #</b> |
|  | <b><u>Humanities</u></b><br>%    | <b><u>Social Sciences</u></b><br>% | <b><u>Natural Sciences</u></b><br>% | <b><u>Total Arts &amp; Sciences</u></b> <sup>(3)</sup><br>% | <b><u>Law</u></b><br>%           | <b><u>Medicine</u></b><br>% | <b><u>Business</u></b><br>% | <b><u>Total Professional</u></b> <sup>(3)</sup><br>% |   |
| 1968   | NA                               | NA                                 | NA                                  | 35  | 27                               | 24                          | 8                           | 65   | 508   |
| 1969   | NA                               | NA                                 | NA                                  | 38  | 26                               | 24                          | 7                           | 62   | 449   |
| 1970   | NA                               | NA                                 | NA                                  | 32  | 28                               | 29                          | 5                           | 68   | 422   |
| 1971   | 12                               | 11                                 | 7                                   | 31  | 30                               | 24                          | 4                           | 69   | 466   |
| 1972   | 12                               | 8                                  | 5                                   | 26  | 33                               | 29                          | 2                           | 74   | 466   |
| 1973   | 13                               | 10                                 | 8                                   | 30  | 25                               | 29                          | 6                           | 70   | 400   |
| 1974   | 11                               | 8                                  | 4                                   | 25  | 33                               | 28                          | 3                           | 75   | 516   |
| 1975 <sup>(2)</sup>  | 8                                | 7                                  | 8                                   | 23  | 30                               | 28                          | 4                           | 77   | 609   |
| 1976 <sup>(2)</sup>  | 12                               | 6                                  | 7                                   | 26  | 30                               | 25                          | 7                           | 74   | 588   |
| 1977 <sup>(2)</sup>  | 8                                | 7                                  | 7                                   | 22  | 33                               | 25                          | 6                           | 78   | 521   |
| 1978 <sup>(2)</sup>  | 7                                | 10                                 | 8                                   | 25  | 34                               | 24                          | 6                           | 75   | 554   |
| 1979 <sup>(2)</sup>  | 7                                | 7                                  | 11                                  | 26  | 36                               | 23                          | 4                           | 74   | 454   |
| 1980 <sup>(2)</sup>  | 12                               | 5                                  | 10                                  | 27  | 31                               | 27                          | 4                           | 73   | 478   |
| 1984   | 10                               | 4                                  | 10                                  | 25  | 26                               | 34                          | 2                           | 73   | 336   |
| 1985   | 13                               | 5                                  | 10                                  | 29  | 25                               | 32                          | 2                           | 71   | 333   |
| 1987   | 18                               | 5                                  | 11                                  | 34  | 34                               | 19                          | 2                           | 66   | 262   |
| 1989   | 19                               | 10                                 | 14                                  | 44  | 22                               | 23                          | 1                           | 56   | 262   |
| 1990   | 13                               | 10                                 | 10                                  | 33  | 20                               | 28                          | 2                           | 67   | 287   |
| 1992   | 12                               | 8                                  | 15                                  | 35  | 24                               | 28                          | <1                          | 65   | 345   |
| 1994   | 10                               | 8                                  | 11                                  | 33  | 23                               | 31                          | 1                           | 67   | 376   |
| 1996   | 10                               | 4                                  | 7                                   | 22  | 29                               | 33                          | 0                           | 78   | 296   |
| 1998   | 5                                | 8                                  | 10                                  | 24  | 25                               | 38                          | 0                           | 76   | 279   |
| 2000   | 7                                | 7                                  | 9                                   | 24  | 27                               | 35                          | <1                          | 76   | 234   |
| 2002   | 13                               | 12                                 | 12                                  | 37  | 24                               | 21                          | 3                           | 63   | 292   |
| 2004   | 10                               | 7                                  | 14                                  | 34  | 23                               | 27                          | 2                           | 66   | 286   |
| 2006   | 7                                | 11                                 | 9                                   | 31  | 22                               | 25                          | 3                           | 69   | 236   |
| 2008   | 11                               | 5                                  | 14                                  | 32  | 16                               | 29                          | 3                           | 68   | 217   |

**Notes:**

(1) From 1960 to 1973, approximately 70-80% of the graduating classes responded to a questionnaire distributed to all seniors during their final spring semester. From 1974 to 1980, a similarly high proportion responded, but seniors were not surveyed until one year after graduation. In 1984, seniors were once again surveyed during their final spring semester, with a response rate of 76%. (Because this was the only class since 1974 surveyed prior to graduation, comparisons with this class and other more recent class studies should be made with caution.) The Classes of 1985, 1987 and 1989 were surveyed one year after graduation, with a response rate of approximately 77%. Classes every two years from 1990 through 2008 were surveyed one year after graduation, with an overall response rate ranging from 72% to 82%.

(2) Percentages for this year may be inflated because they include students who deferred graduate/professional study one year. The type/kind of study in which these students enrolled is not known.

(3) The divisional percentages within Arts & Sciences and Professional Schools do not always equal the totals due to the attendance of students in other graduate and professional programs that are not listed here. Also, the percentages attending Arts & Sciences Graduate and Professional Schools do not always equal 100% due to rounding, multiple attendance, or unknown field of study.

**Table 9**

**1968-2008 Employment Chosen**

**Types of Employment for Graduates Choosing Employmen**

*Summary Table*

| <u>Year of Graduation*</u> | <u>Education</u> | <u>Business/ Finance</u> | <u>Industry</u> | <u>Government &amp; Public Service</u> | <u>Social Work</u> | <u>Communi-cations</u> | <u>Health Fields</u> | <u>Manual Work</u> | <u>Fine &amp; Applied Arts</u> | <u>Law Related</u> | <u>Not Employed</u> | <u>Self Employed</u> | <u>Other &amp; Undecided</u> | <u>Total Employed</u> |
|----------------------------|------------------|--------------------------|-----------------|--|--------------------|------------------------|----------------------|--------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------|---------------------|----------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------|
| %                          | %                | %                        | %               | %                                      | %                  | %                      | %                    | %                  | %                              | %                  | %                   | %                    | %                            | #                     |
| 1968                       | 32               | 27 <sup>(2)</sup>        | NA              | NA                                     | 29                 | NA                     | NA                   | NA                 | NA                             | NA                 | NA                  | NA                   | 12                           | 190                   |
| 1969                       | 25               | 27 <sup>(2)</sup>        | NA              | NA                                     | 21                 | NA                     | NA                   | NA                 | NA                             | NA                 | NA                  | NA                   | 27                           | 237                   |
| 1970                       | 27               | 24 <sup>(2)</sup>        | NA              | NA                                     | 11                 | NA                     | NA                   | NA                 | NA                             | NA                 | NA                  | NA                   | 38                           | 148                   |
| 1971                       | 19               | 23 <sup>(2)</sup>        | NA              | 10                                     | 5                  | NA                     | NA                   | NA                 | NA                             | NA                 | NA                  | NA                   | 44                           | 189                   |
| 1972                       | 17               | 16 <sup>(2)</sup>        | NA              | 14                                     | 5                  | 6                      | NA                   | NA                 | 6                              | NA                 | NA                  | NA                   | 36                           | 162                   |
| 1973                       | 16               | 32 <sup>(2)</sup>        | NA              | 9                                      | 1                  | 8                      | NA                   | NA                 | 1                              | NA                 | NA                  | NA                   | 34                           | 161                   |
| 1974                       | 15               | 25 <sup>(2)</sup>        | NA              | 9                                      | 2                  | 11                     | 4                    | 5                  | 6                              | 3                  | 3                   | NA                   | 17                           | 416                   |
| 1975                       | 16               | 23                       | 5               | 13                                     | 1                  | 8                      | 3                    | 2                  | 9                              | 4                  | 5                   | NA                   | 15                           | 367                   |
| 1976                       | 16               | 27                       | 2               | 8                                      | 2                  | 13                     | 4                    | 2                  | 9                              | 4                  | 4                   | 1                    | 8                            | 424                   |
| 1977                       | 14               | 29                       | 10              | 12                                     | 3                  | 13                     | 2                    | 1                  | 6                              | 4                  | 3                   | 2                    | 2                            | 457                   |
| 1978                       | 12               | 30                       | 15              | 9                                      | 3                  | 11                     | 1                    | 2                  | 6                              | 3                  | 1                   | 3                    | 4                            | 479                   |
| 1979                       | 11               | 31                       | 12              | 12                                     | 3                  | 10                     | 1                    | 1                  | 8                              | 4                  | 2                   | 2                    | 3                            | 495                   |
| 1980                       | 9                | 32                       | 16              | 9                                      | 1                  | 12                     | 2                    | 1                  | 5                              | 6                  | 2                   | 2                    | 3                            | 507                   |
| 1984                       | 9                | 21                       | 15              | 6                                      | 3                  | 5                      | 1                    | 0                  | 11                             | 8                  | NA                  | 1                    | 24                           | 480                   |
| 1985                       | 12               | 28                       | 16              | 5                                      | 2                  | 9                      | 2                    | 1                  | 8                              | 8                  | 3                   | 2                    | 4                            | 585                   |
| 1987                       | 13               | 23                       | 8               | 11                                     | 2                  | 7                      | 5                    | 1                  | 12                             | 7                  | 4                   | 1                    | 5                            | 649                   |
| 1989                       | 12               | 22                       | 9               | 13                                     | 2                  | 8                      | 4                    | 1                  | 9                              | 10                 | 2                   | <1                   | 8                            | 611                   |
| 1990                       | 17               | 16                       | 12              | 11                                     | 1                  | 8                      | 4                    | 2                  | 9                              | 10                 | 4                   | 1                    | 6                            | 708                   |
| 1992                       | 19               | 17                       | 12              | 9                                      | 3                  | 7                      | 9                    | 1                  | 4                              | 9                  | 1                   | 1                    | 8                            | 644                   |
| 1994                       | 24               | 21                       | 10              | 10                                     | 1                  | 9                      | 2                    | 2                  | 6                              | 7                  | 3                   | <1                   | 5                            | 643                   |
| 1996                       | 20               | 26                       | 12              | 9                                      | 1                  | 9                      | 2                    | 1                  | 8                              | 6                  | 1                   | <1                   | 4                            | 663                   |
| 1998                       | 18               | 27                       | 13              | 8                                      | 1                  | 9                      | 1                    | 1                  | 10                             | 5                  | <1                  | <1                   | 6                            | 635                   |
| 2000                       | 16               | 31                       | 14              | 10                                     | 1                  | 7                      | 2                    | 1                  | 6                              | 7                  | <1                  | <1                   | 4                            | 716                   |
| 2002                       | 24               | 20                       | 9               | 13                                     | 1                  | 8                      | 2                    | <1                 | 4                              | 8                  | 1                   | 1                    | 8                            | 615                   |
| 2004                       | 18               | 26                       | 10              | 10                                     | 2                  | 8                      | 2                    | <1                 | 6                              | 8                  | 3                   | 1                    | 5                            | 717                   |
| 2006                       | 26               | 24                       | 9               | 10                                     | 1                  | 7                      | 3                    | 1                  | 6                              | 6                  | 2                   | <1                   | 5                            | 716                   |
| 2008                       | 26               | 26                       | 9               | 8                                      | 1                  | 5                      | 4                    | 1                  | 6                              | 5                  | 3                   | 1                    | 5                            | 693                   |

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(2) Percentages reflect employment in both "business" and "industry."

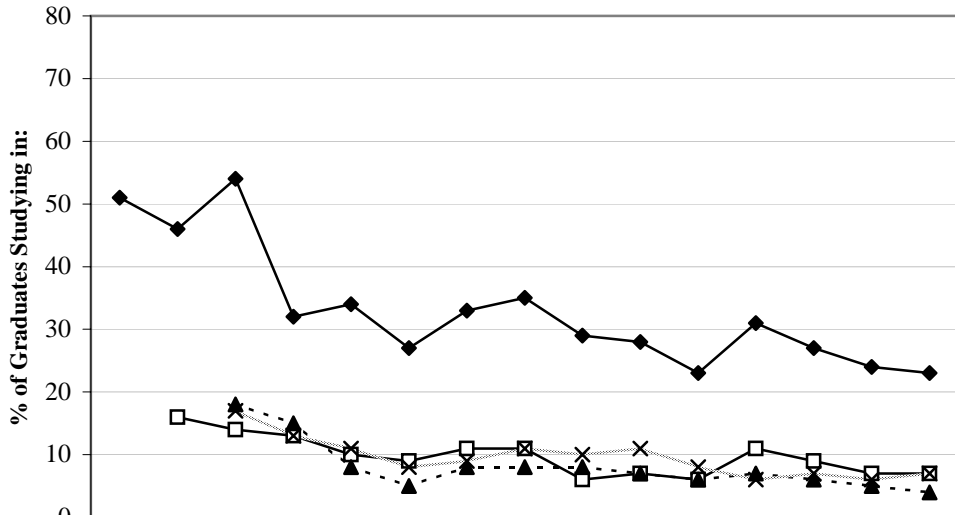
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**Summary of Graduate Study and Employment Trends  
for Yale College Classes Surveied  
(one year following graduation)**

**Chart I**

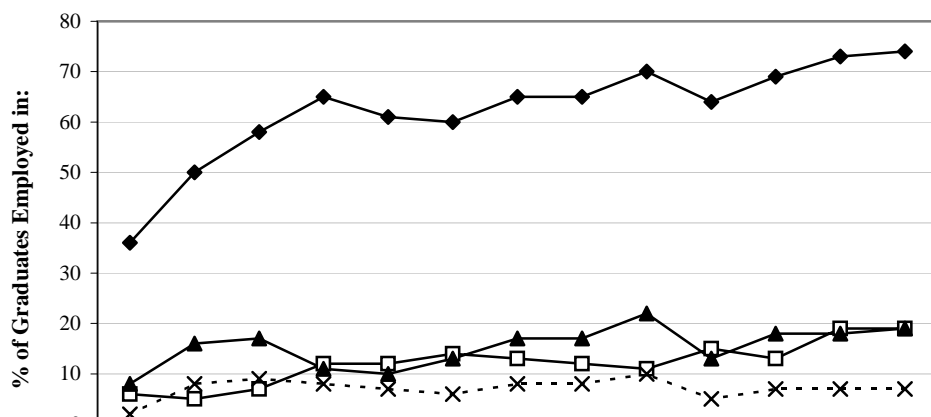
**1960-2008 % of Graduates Entering Graduate & Professional Study**



| Yale College Class of: | 1960 | 1970 | 1975 | 1980 | 1985 | 1990 | 1992 | 1994 | 1996 | 1998 | 2000 | 2002 | 2004 | 2006 | 2008 |
|------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| ◆ % Total Study        | 51   | 46   | 54   | 32   | 34   | 27   | 33   | 35   | 29   | 28   | 23   | 31   | 27   | 24   | 23   |
| □ % in Arts & Sciences |      | 16   | 14   | 13   | 10   | 9    | 11   | 11   | 6    | 7    | 6    | 11   | 9    | 7    | 7    |
| ▲ % in Law School      |      |      | 18   | 15   | 8    | 5    | 8    | 8    | 8    | 7    | 6    | 7    | 6    | 5    | 4    |
| × % in Medical School  |      |      | 17   | 13   | 11   | 8    | 9    | 11   | 10   | 11   | 8    | 6    | 7    | 6    | 7    |

**Chart II**

**1975-2008 % of Graduates Entering Areas of Employment**



| Yale College Class of:    | 1975 | 1980 | 1985 | 1990 | 1992 | 1994 | 1996 | 1998 | 2000 | 2002 | 2004 | 2006 | 2008 |
|---------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| ◆ % Total In Employment   | 36   | 50   | 58   | 65   | 61   | 60   | 65   | 65   | 70   | 64   | 69   | 73   | 74   |
| □ % in Education          | 6    | 5    | 7    | 12   | 12   | 14   | 13   | 12   | 11   | 15   | 13   | 19   | 19   |
| ▲ % in Business & Finance | 8    | 16   | 17   | 11   | 10   | 13   | 17   | 17   | 22   | 13   | 18   | 18   | 19   |
| × % in Industry           | 2    | 8    | 9    | 8    | 7    | 6    | 8    | 8    | 10   | 5    | 7    | 7    | 7    |

Note:

Graduates in the Classes of 1975 and 1980 who deferred graduate/professional study one year are also included here.  
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