

# San Diego Miramar College Graduation Survey

## 5-year Comparison (2018-2022)

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# Graduation Survey Student Characteristics

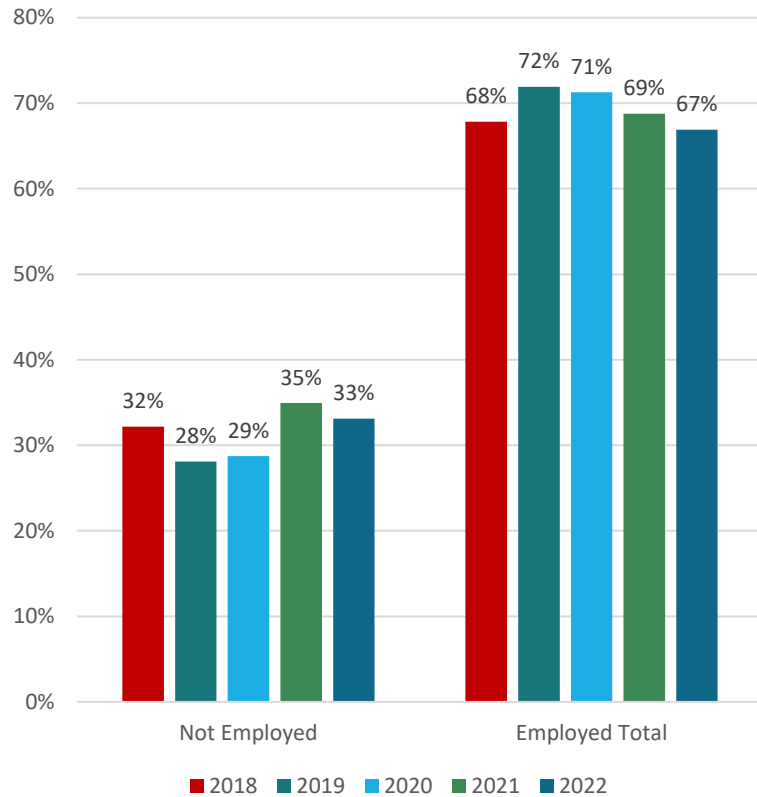
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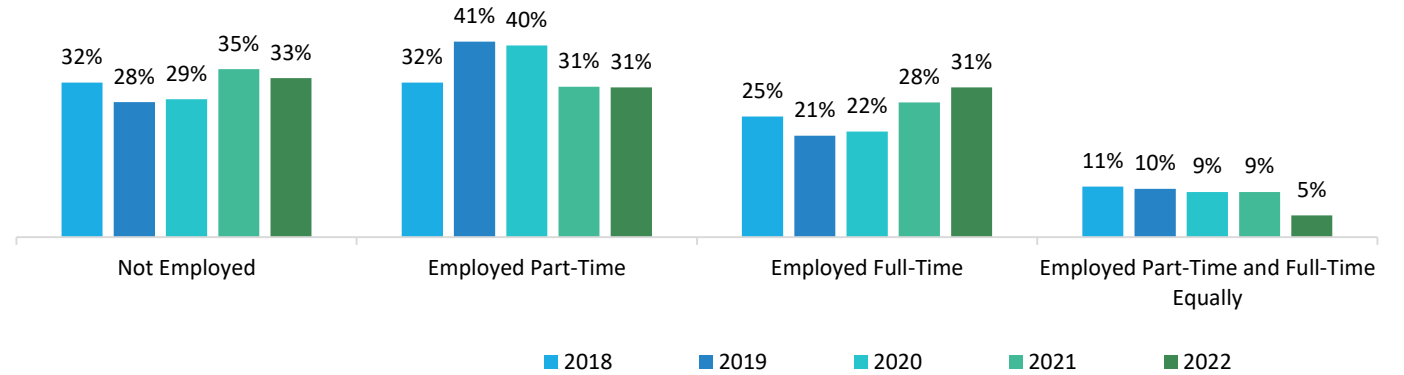
# Student Employment

**Most students were employed**

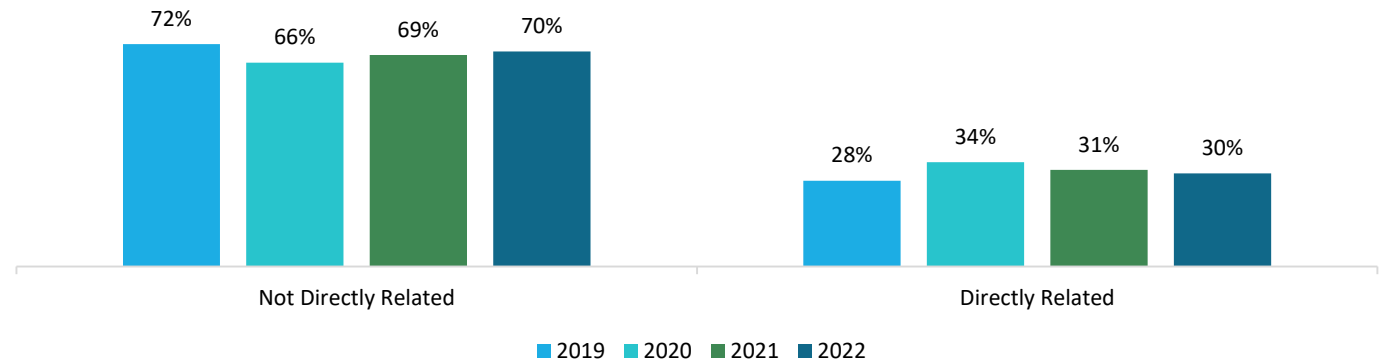
Employment by Year



Type of Employment



**Most work was not related to their field of study**

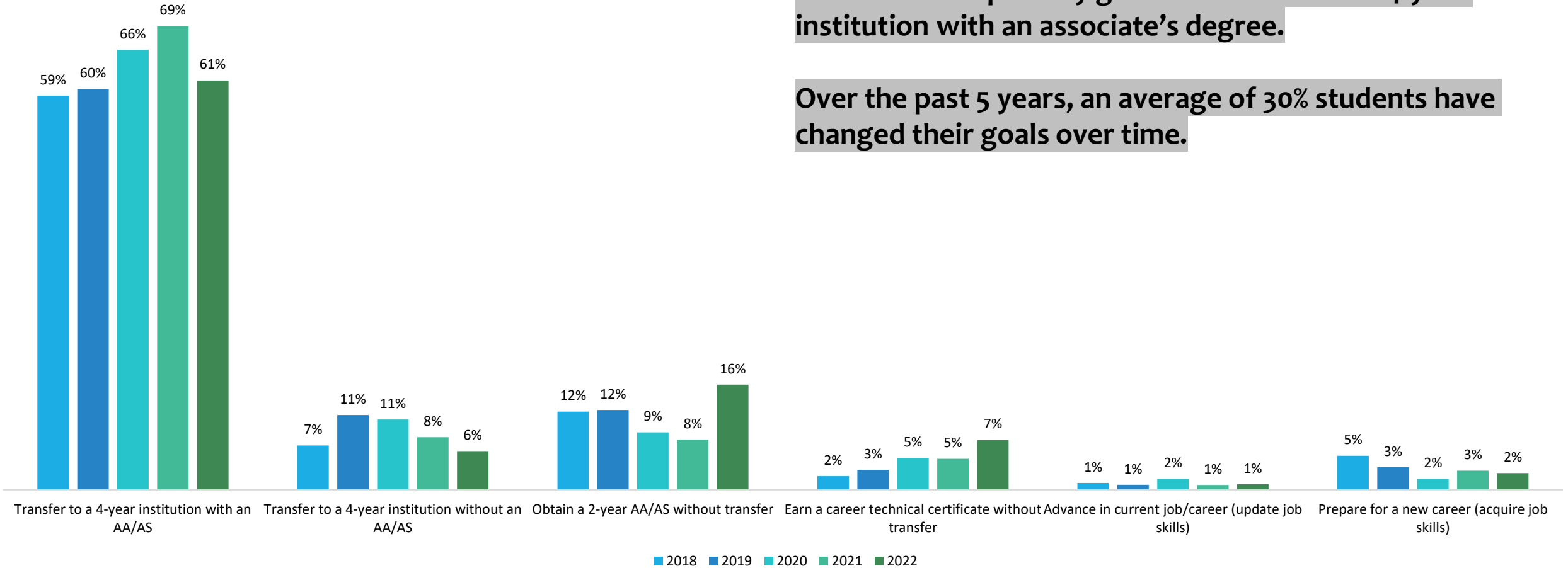




# Primary Education Goal

Most students primary goal is to transfer to a 4-year institution with an associate's degree.

Over the past 5 years, an average of 30% students have changed their goals over time.

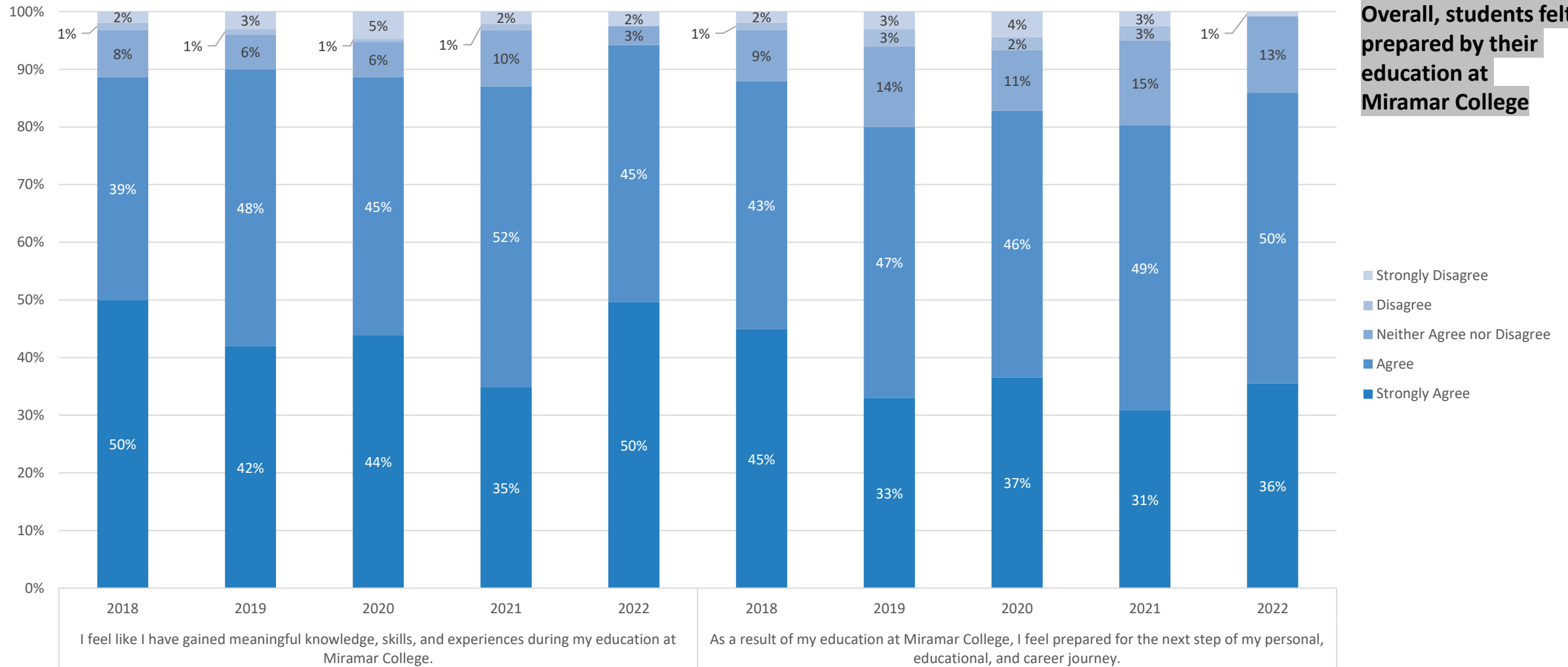


# How did attending Miramar College impact graduates?

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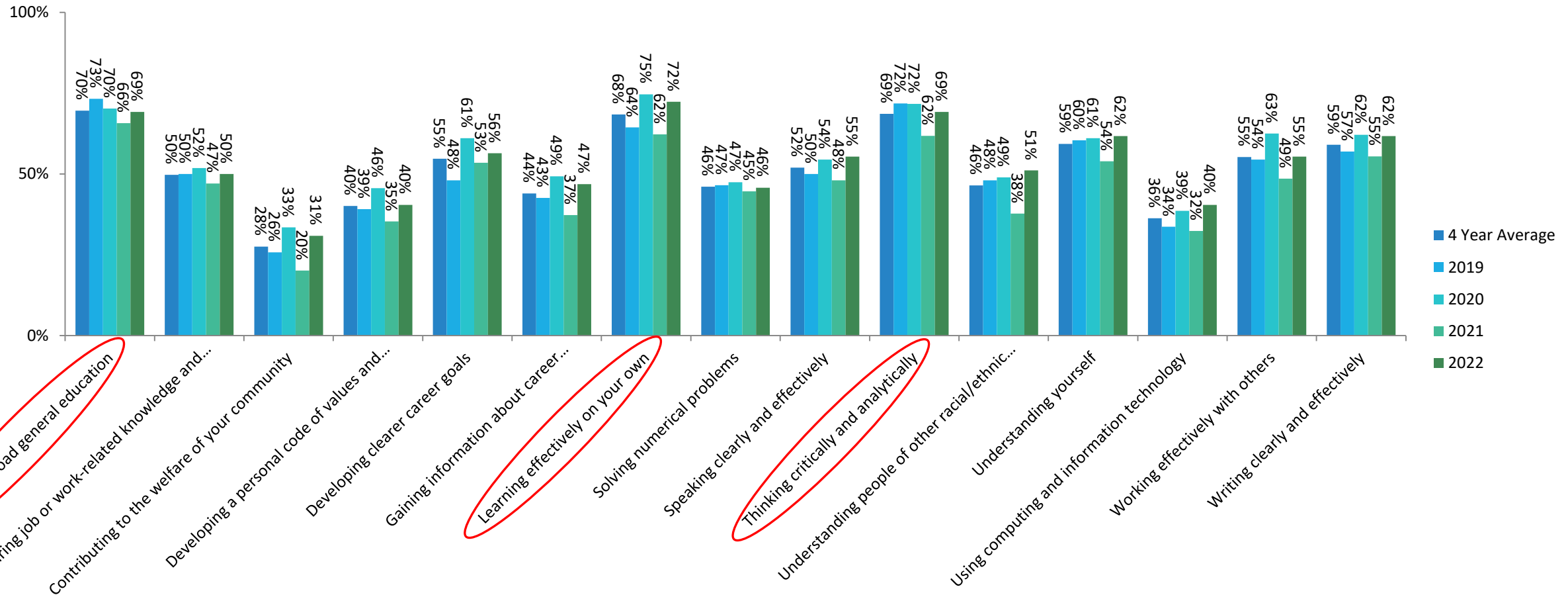


# Student Preparation





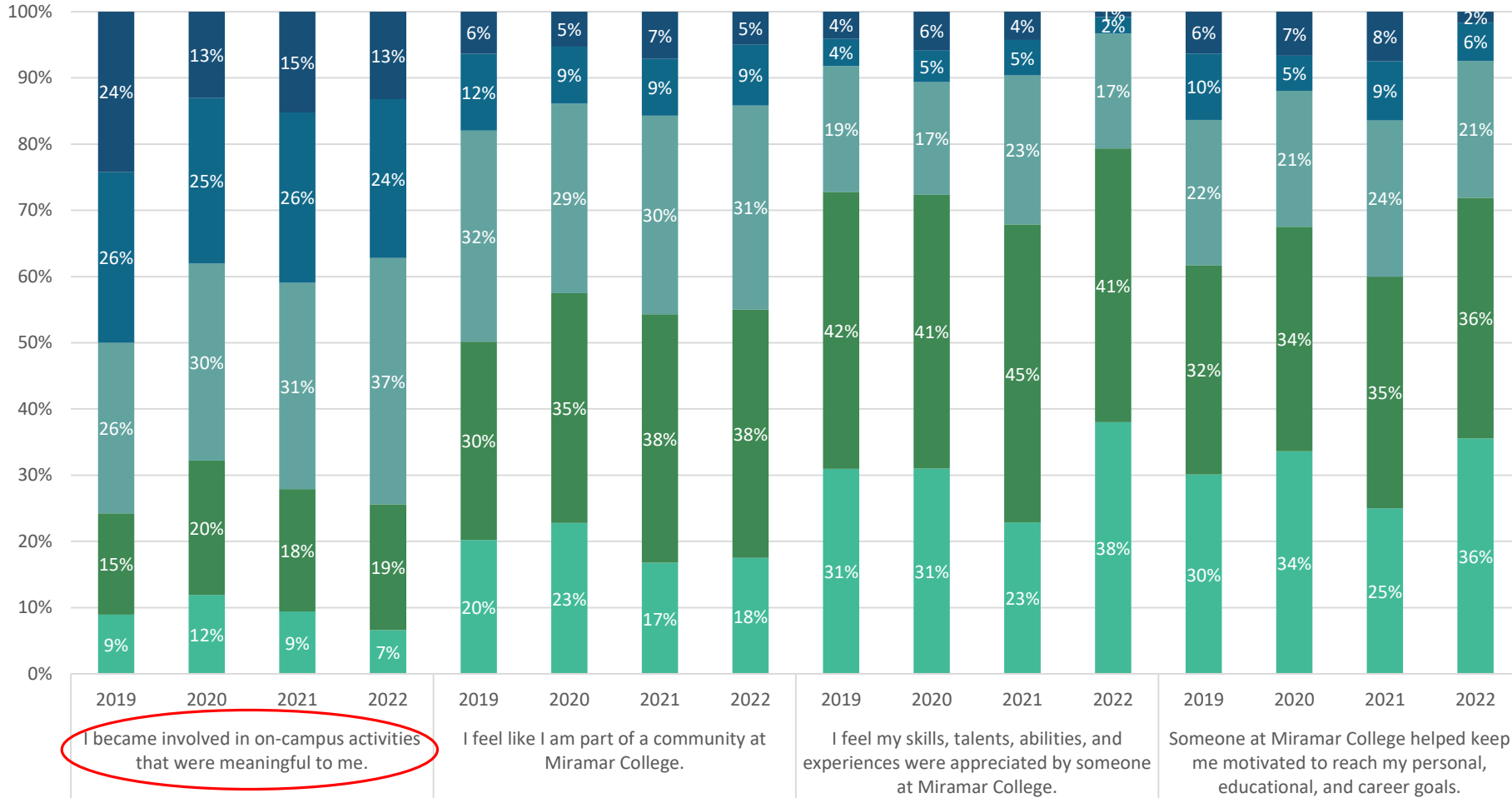
# How has Miramar contributed to student knowledge, skills, and personal development?



**Broader education, independent learning, and analytical thinking were the highest rated skills in development.**



# Student Satisfaction



Over 50% of respondents felt appreciated, motivated, or a sense of community.

Approximately 26% of respondents became involved in meaningful on-campus activities.

- Strongly Disagree
- Disagree
- Neither Agree nor Disagree
- Agree
- Strongly Agree



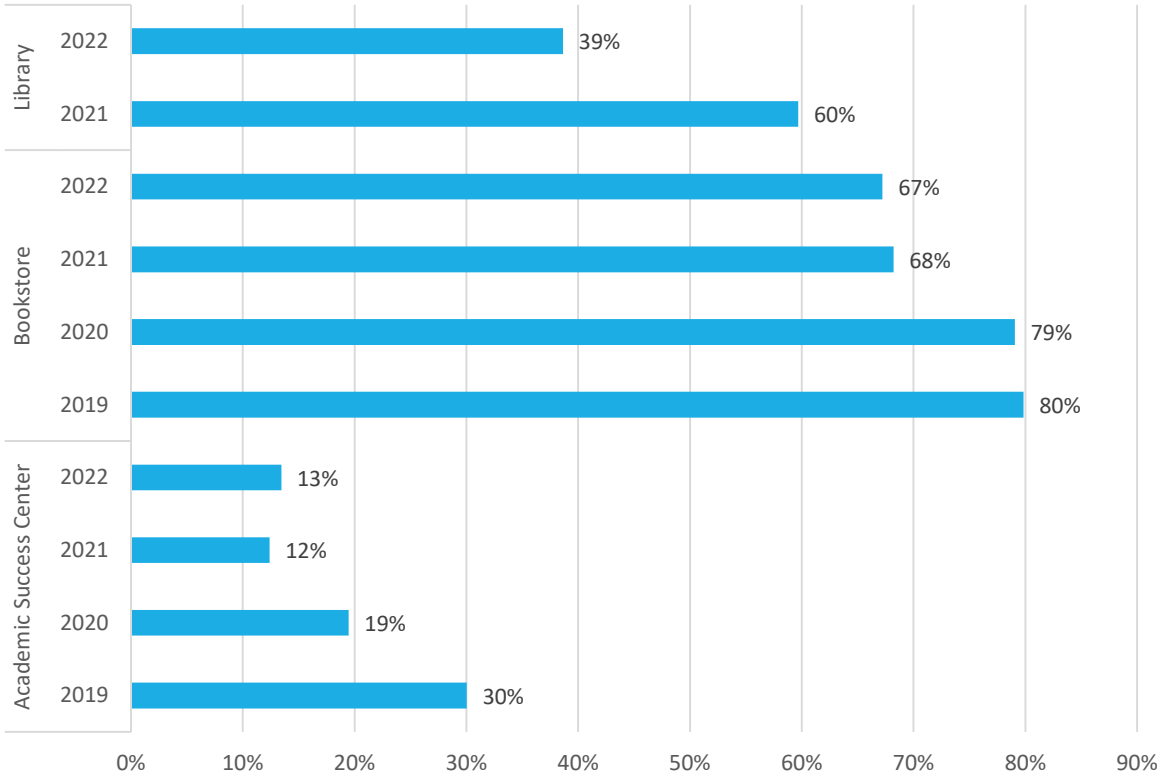
# What impact did services have?

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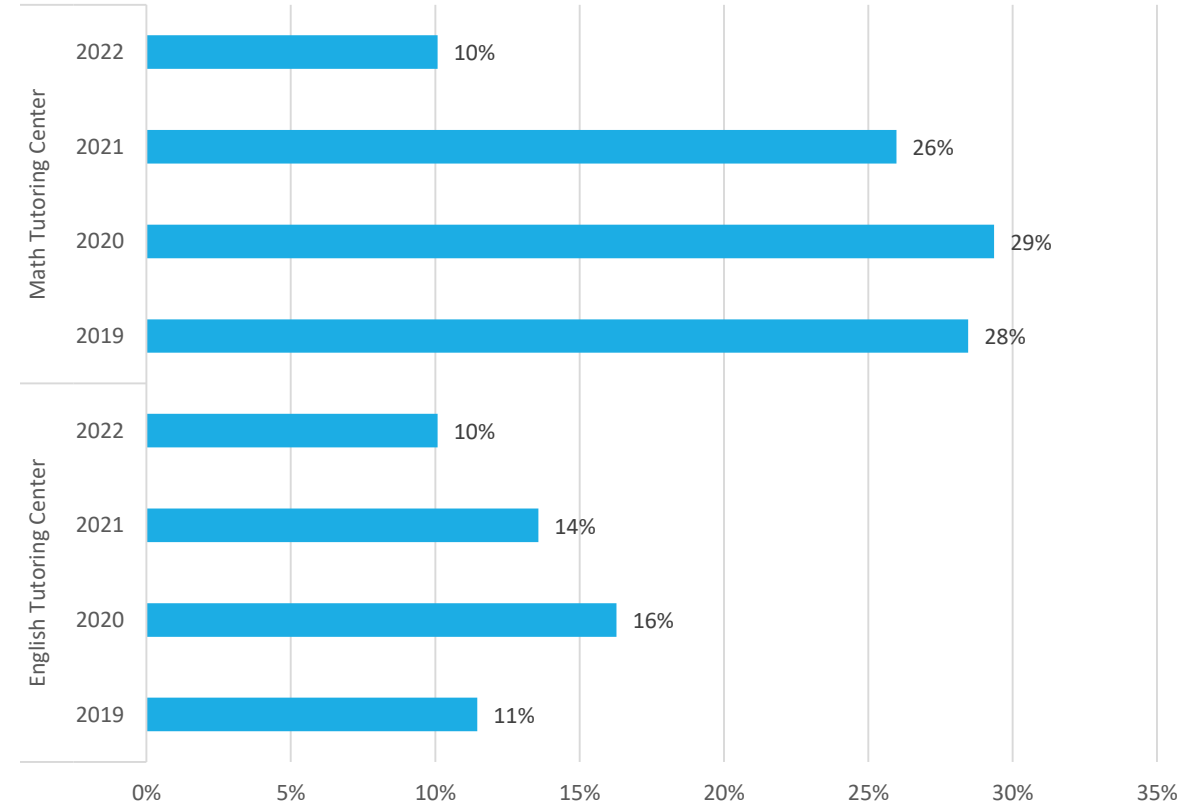
# Student Services Utilization

Library, Bookstore, ASC



**The library and academic success center are utilized significantly less compared to previous years.**

Math & English Tutoring

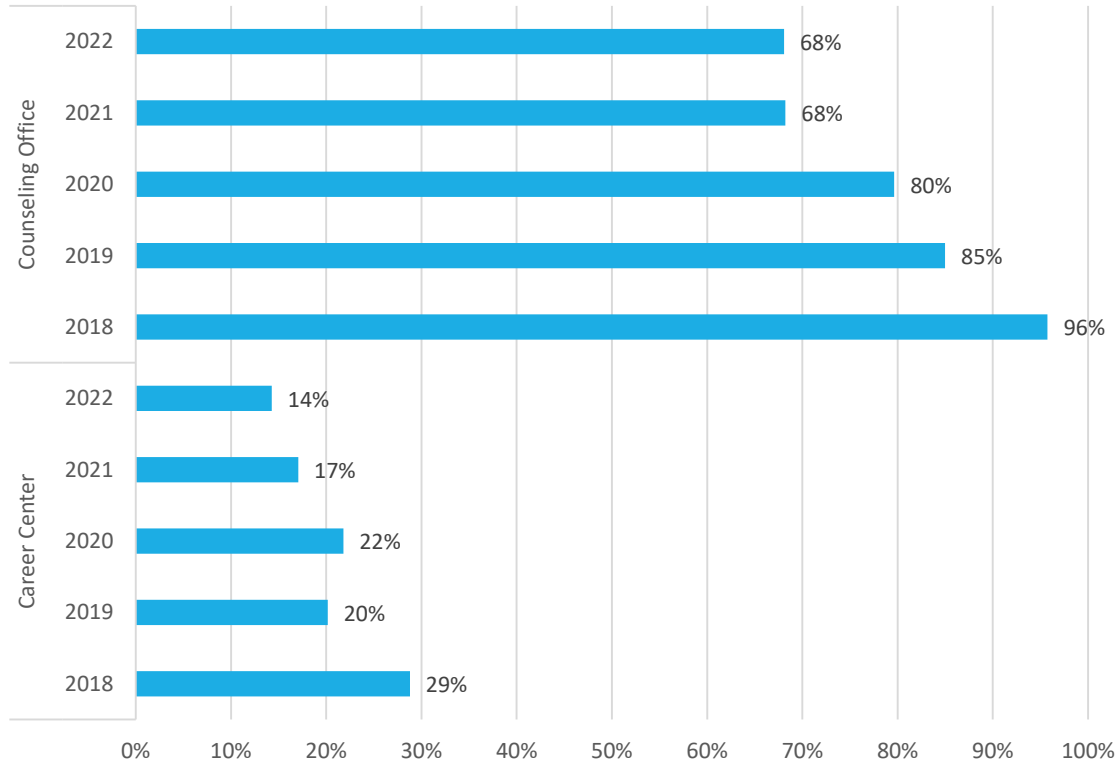


**Use of tutoring services has declined.**

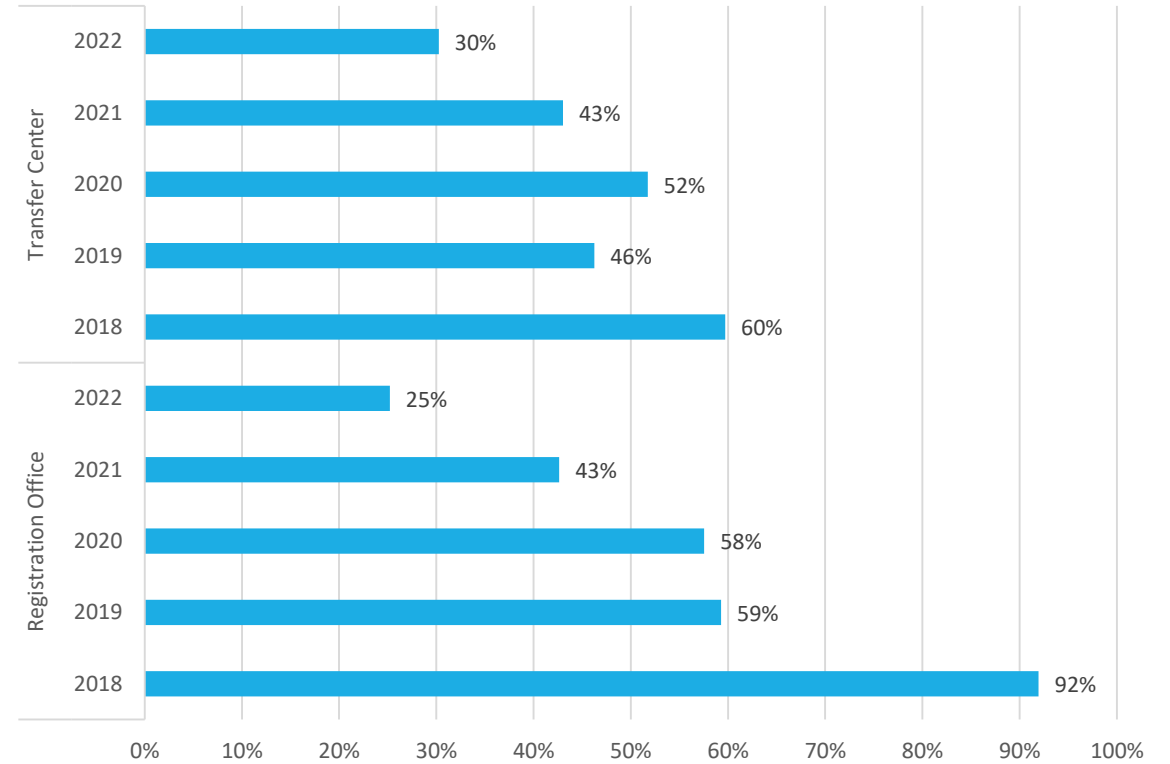


# Student Services Utilization

## Career & Counseling Services



## Registration & Transfer Services

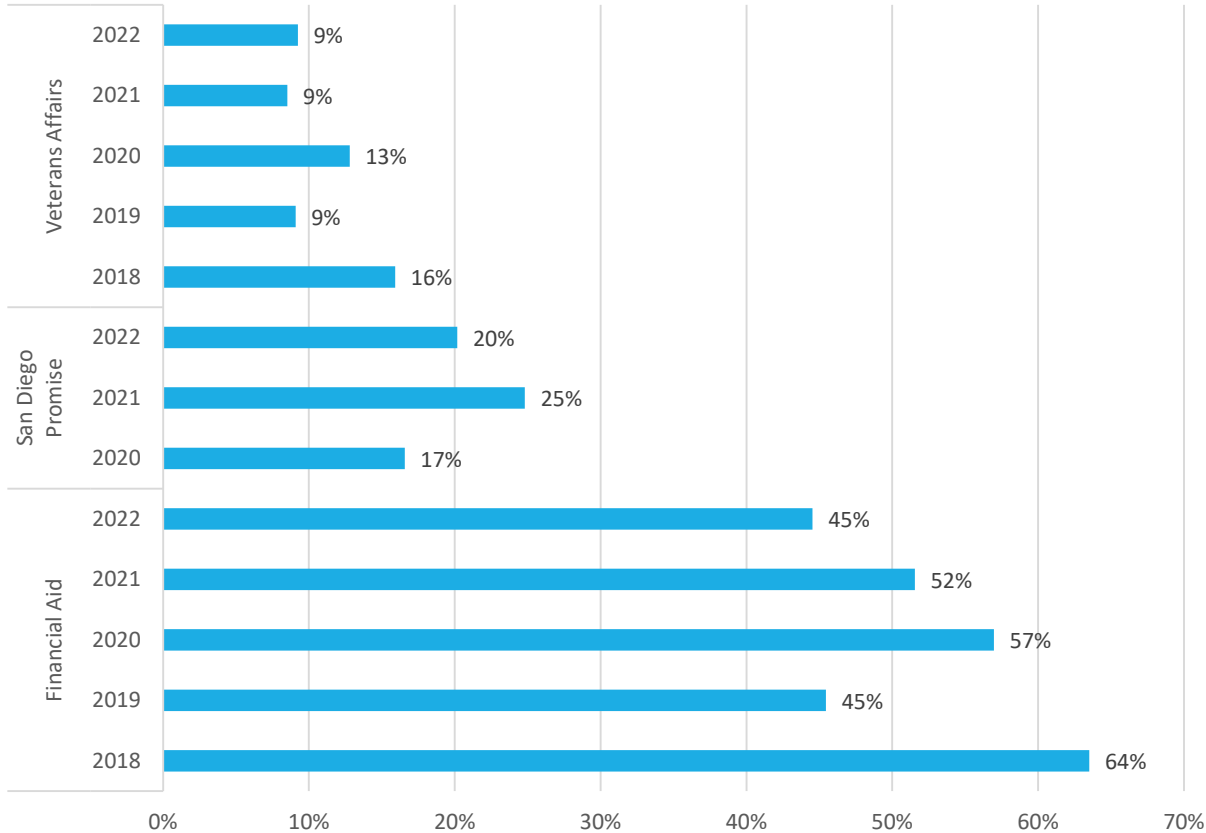


**Usage of the career center, transfer center, and registration office has declined from the previous year.**

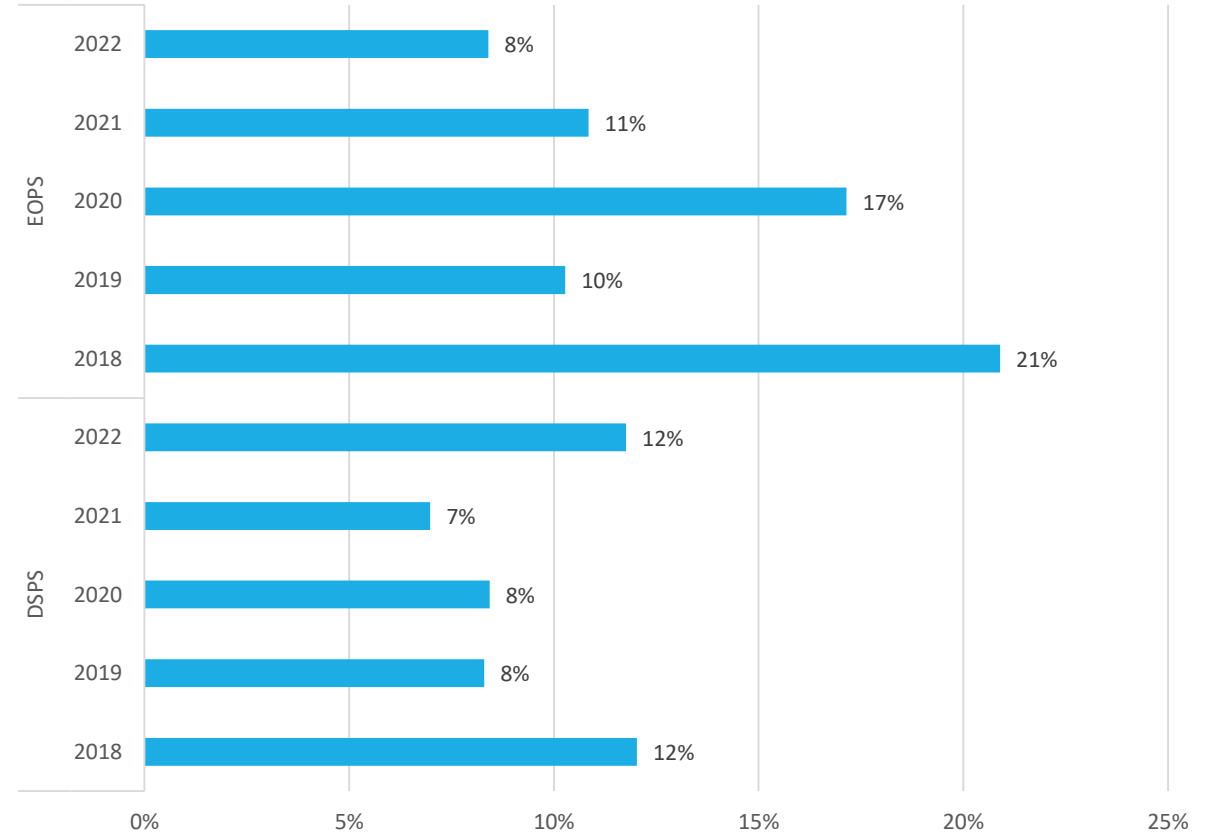


# Student Services Utilization

## Veterans, San Diego Promise, & Financial Aid Services



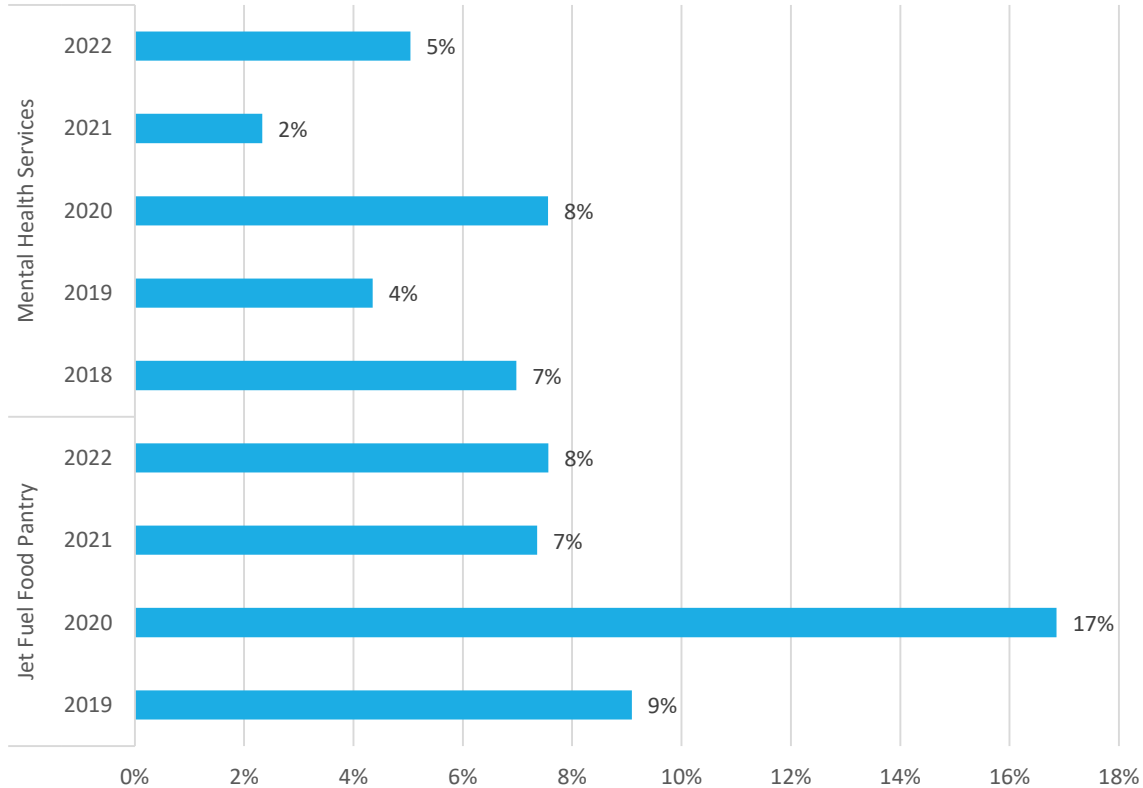
## EOPS & DSPS





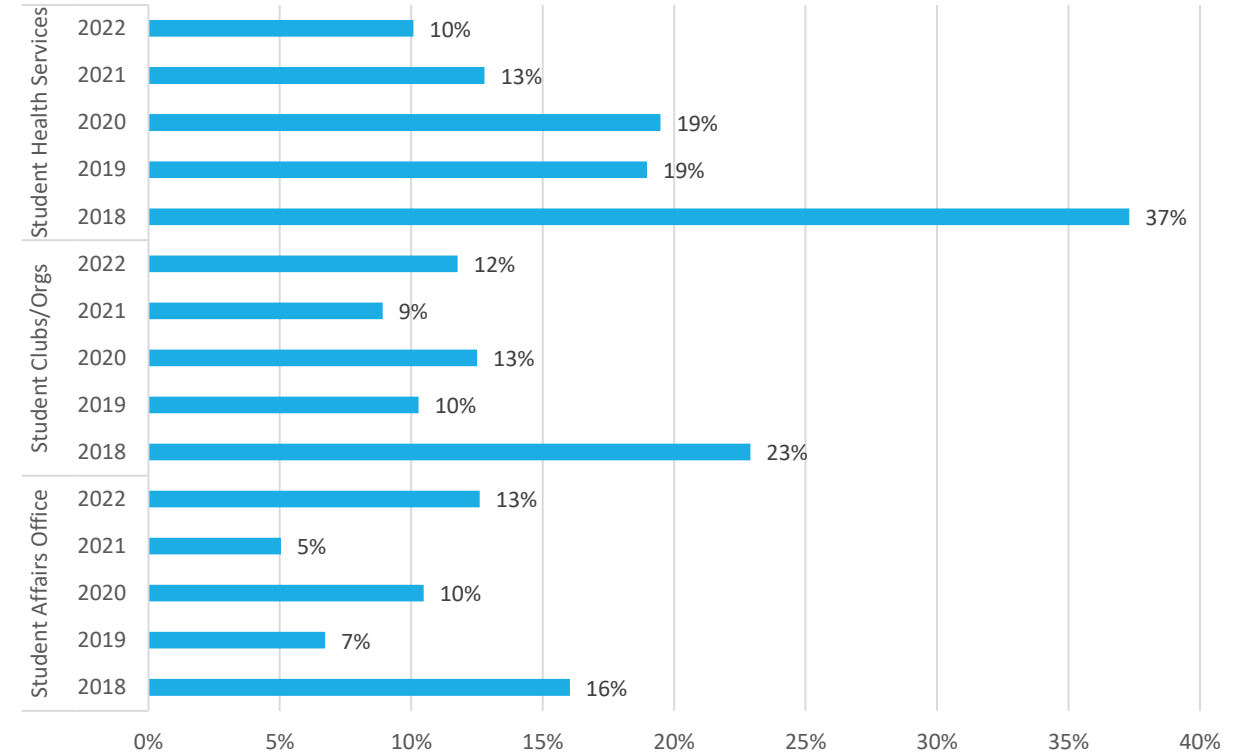
# Student Services Utilization

Jet Fuel Pantry & Mental Health Services



**Mental health services and food pantry use peaked in 2020.**

Student Affairs, Clubs/Orgs, and Health Services

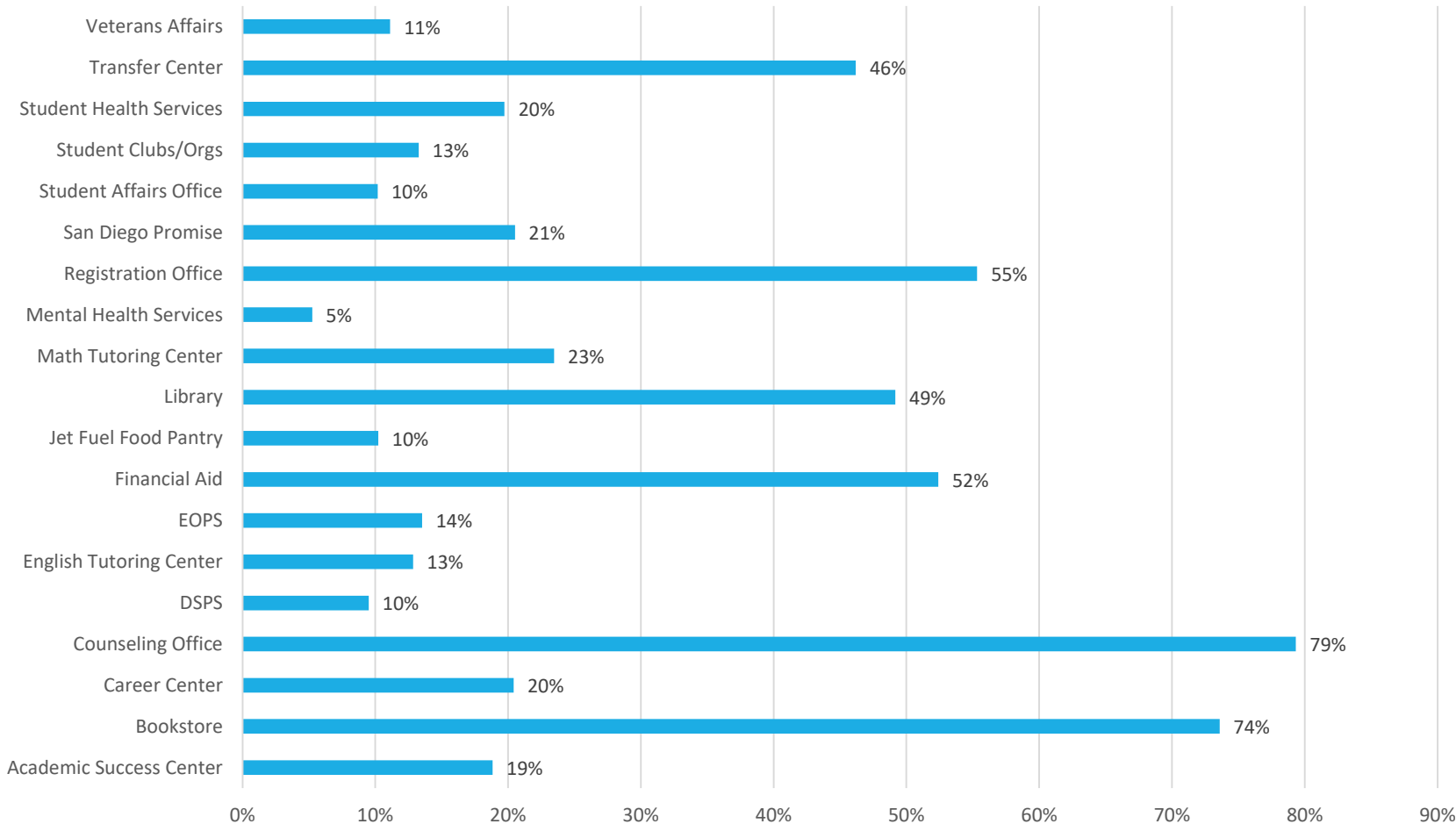


**Student health services usage declined from the previous year.**



# Student Services Utilization

Average Utilization



Overall, the counseling office and the bookstore had the highest multi-year average.

The transfer center, registration office, library, and financial aid office were also commonly utilized.



# How did Student Services help students reach their goals?

Average Impact



All student services had a positive or strong positive impact on students reaching their goals.

The Academic Success Center, EOPS, Financial Aid, Math Tutoring Center, San Diego Promise, and Transfer Center all had a total greater than 90% for positive and strong positive impact.

# How did Miramar College help graduates reach their goals?

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# Supporting Students

## Successes

Many graduates said they received support from professors more than counselors in 2021. Students also mentioned that resources, financial aid, and motivation provided by Miramar College were of great help.

## Opportunities for Improvement

Students mentioned a need for improvement in counseling, general guidance, and career resources. Students also wanted more social interaction and on-campus instruction.

### What did graduates say we did well in supporting them reaching their goals? Top 5

2020	2021
24% - Counselors/Counseling Office	25% - Professors/Instructors
23% - Courses	16% - Courses/Education
17% - Professors/Instructors	13% - General Materials/Resources
13% - Transfer Support/Transfer Center	12% - Financial Aid/Affordability
8% - Staff	12% - General Motivation/Support/Kindness

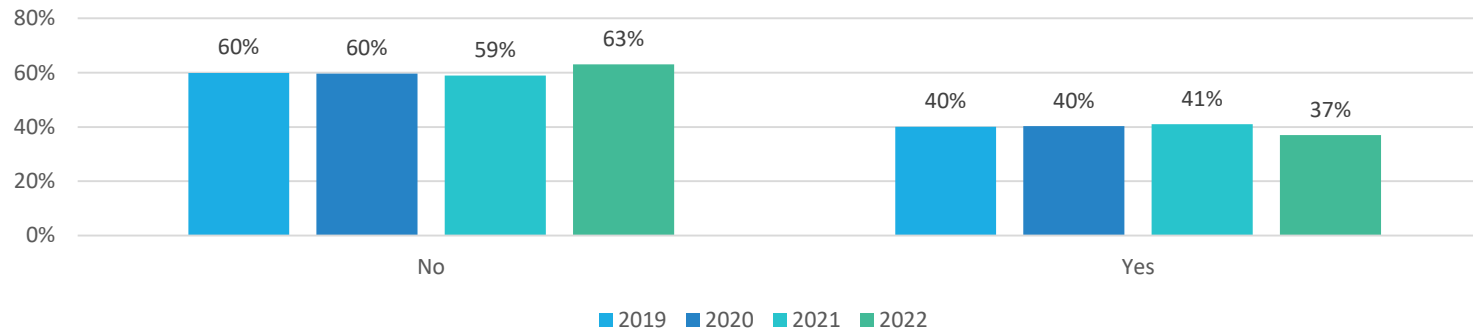
### What did they say we could have done better in supporting them? Top 5

2020	2021
29% - Counselors/Counseling Office	23% - Counseling Quality/Access
26% - Courses	12% - Provide more guidance
11% - Transfer Support/Transfer Center	10% - Career Resources/Internships
8% - Professors/Instructors	10% - More Social Activities
5% - Provide more guidance	8% - On-Campus Learning



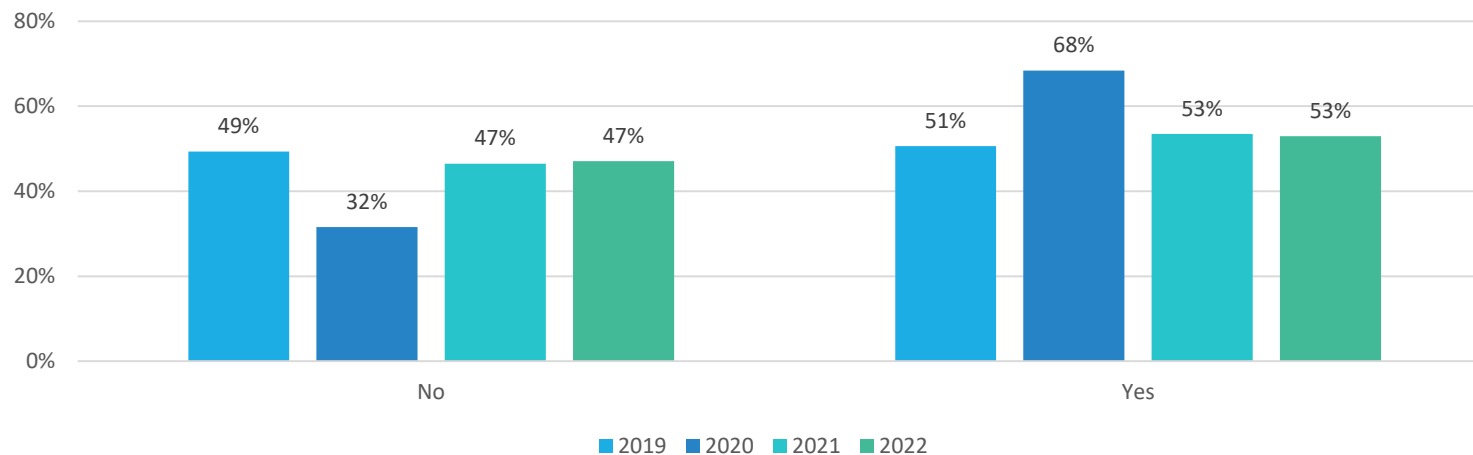
# Student Barriers

Did you face any barriers which impacted your completing your degree/certificate program?



**From 2019-2022, the average amount of students that faced a barrier was around 40%.**

Did Miramar College do well in helping you overcome these barriers?



**More than half of the respondents answered “Yes” to whether Miramar College did well in overcoming barriers (68% in 2020).**



# Most Reported Barriers

2019	2020	2021	2022
1. Illness/Health Issues	1. Monetary barriers	1. Class difficulty/pacing	1-tie. COVID-19/Remote Learning
2. Monetary barriers	2. COVID-19	2. COVID-19/Remote Learning	1-tie. Monetary Barriers
3. Class difficulty/pacing	3. Class difficulty/pacing	3. Work	3. Family Responsibilities/Issues
4. Course Scheduling/Enrollment Issues	4. Work	4. Counseling Issues	4-tie. Mental/Physical Health
5. Work	5. Family responsibilities/issues	5. Monetary barriers	4-tie. Course Scheduling/Enrollment Issues

**Previously, issues with class difficulty and work were among the top 5 barriers.**

**Students continue to face barriers due to COVID-19/remote learning and financial difficulty.**

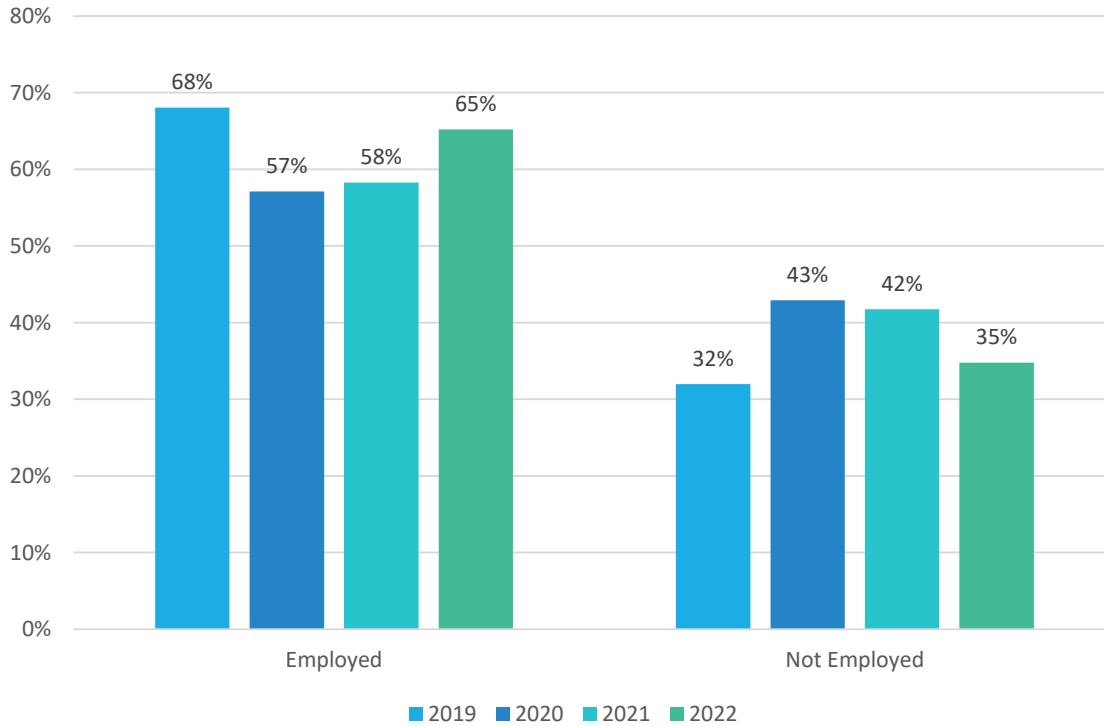
# What are our graduates' goals now?

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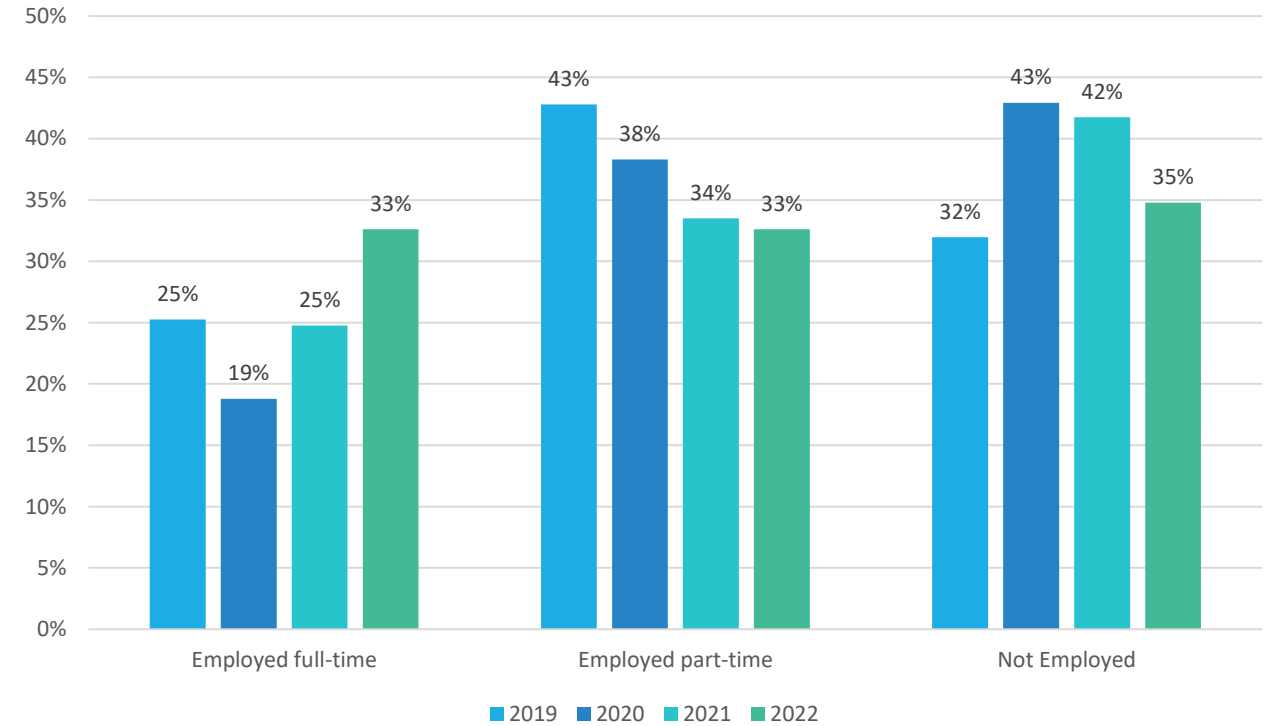


# Are graduate students currently employed?

Employed vs Not Employed



Employment by Type

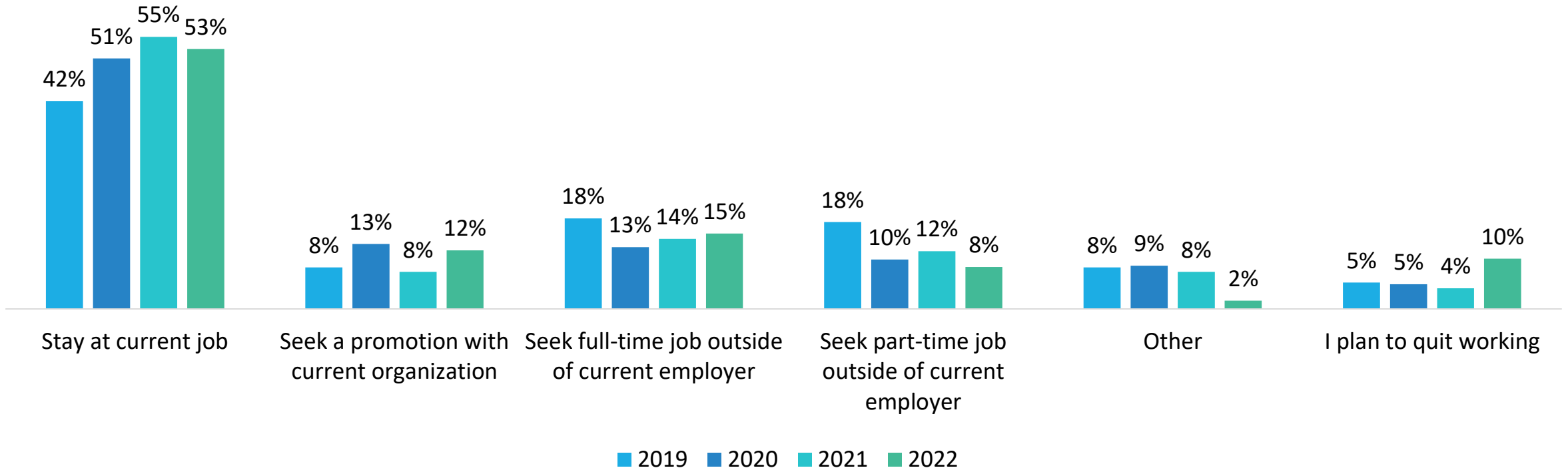


**Most graduates reported being employed after graduating from Miramar College. Full-time employment dropped in 2020, but has now surpassed previous levels.**



# Employment plans in the next six months

Employed graduates (full- and part-time) plan to...

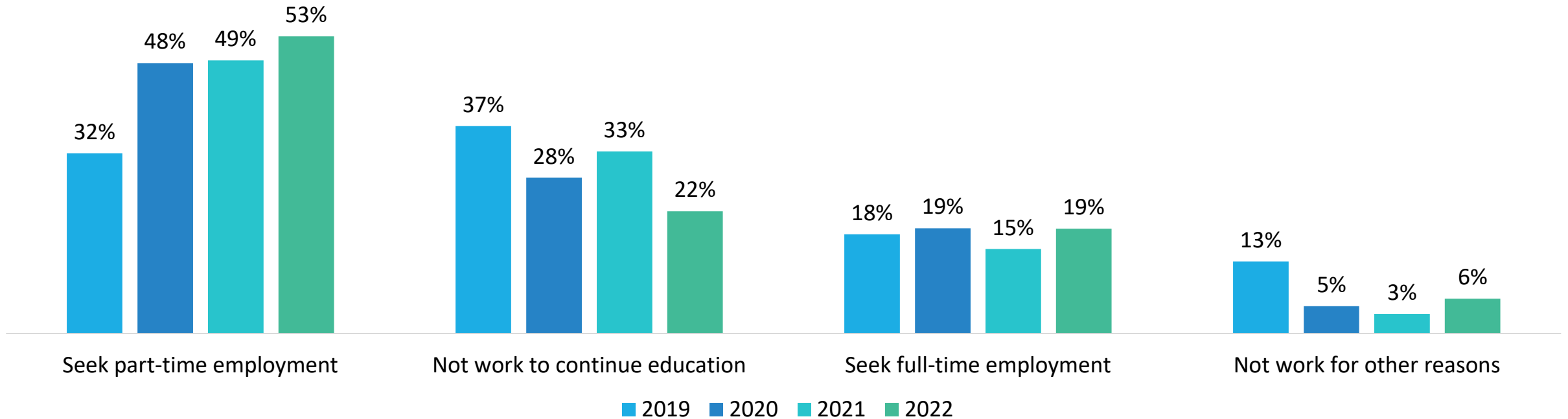


**Most employed graduated students plan to stay with their current job, while a small amount plan to seek new employment either full-time or part-time. In 2022, 10% indicated they plan to quit working.**



# Employment plans in the next six months

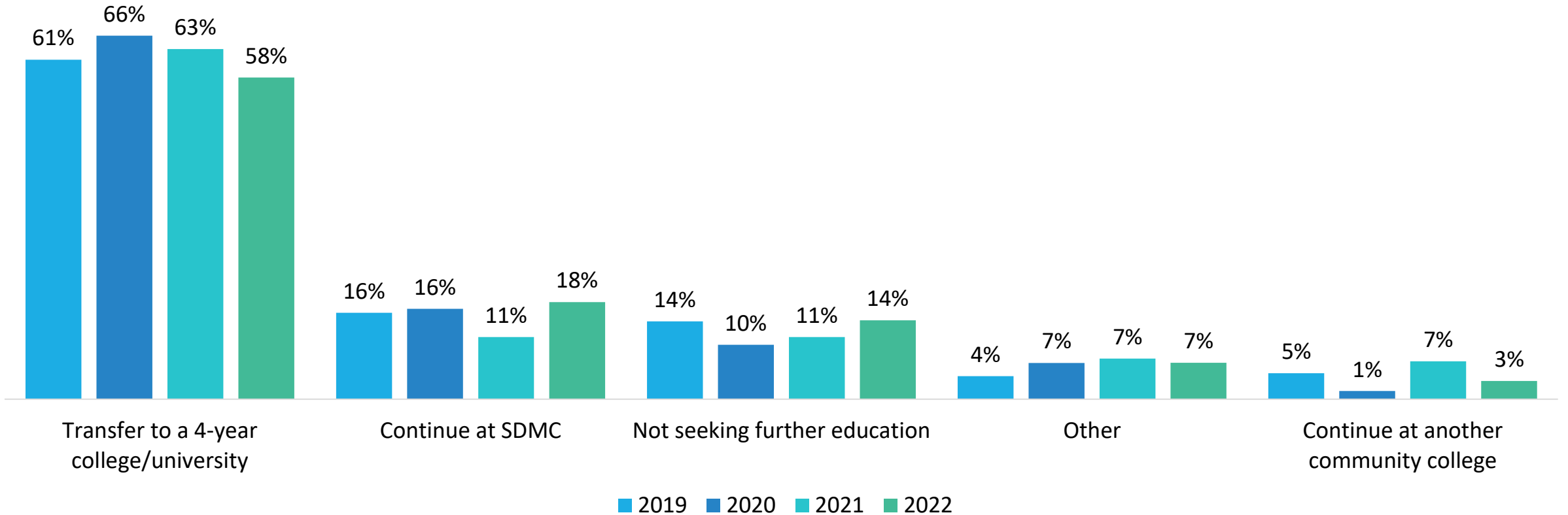
## Unemployed graduates plan to...



**Most unemployed graduated students plan to seek employment either full-time or part-time. In 2022, 22% of students plan to continue their education while remaining unemployed.**



# Education plans in the next six months



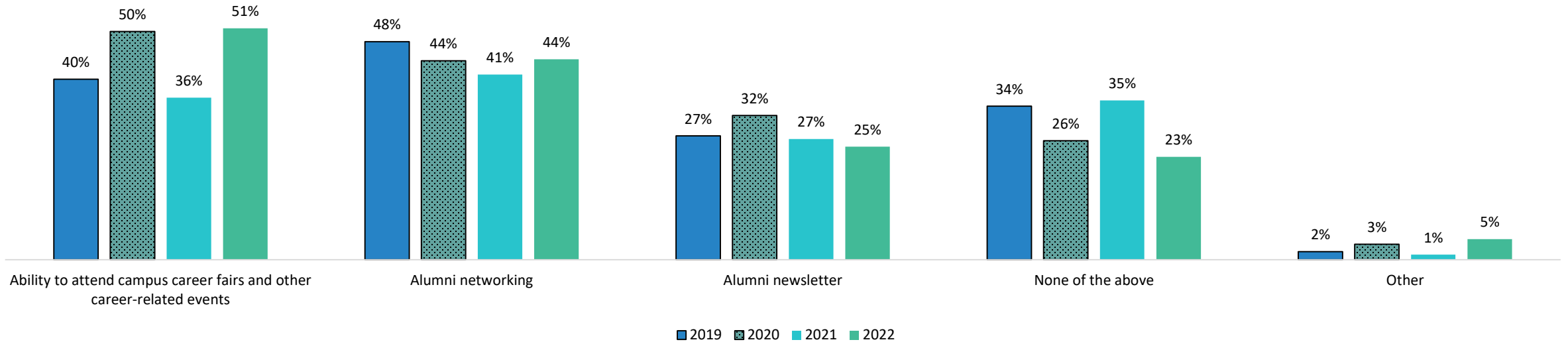
**The proportion of students planning to transfer to a 4-year institution has declined, while the proportion of students who are not seeking further education or will continue at San Diego Miramar College has increased.**





# Miramar Alumni Services

Which of the following supports and services would be helpful to you as a graduate of Miramar College?



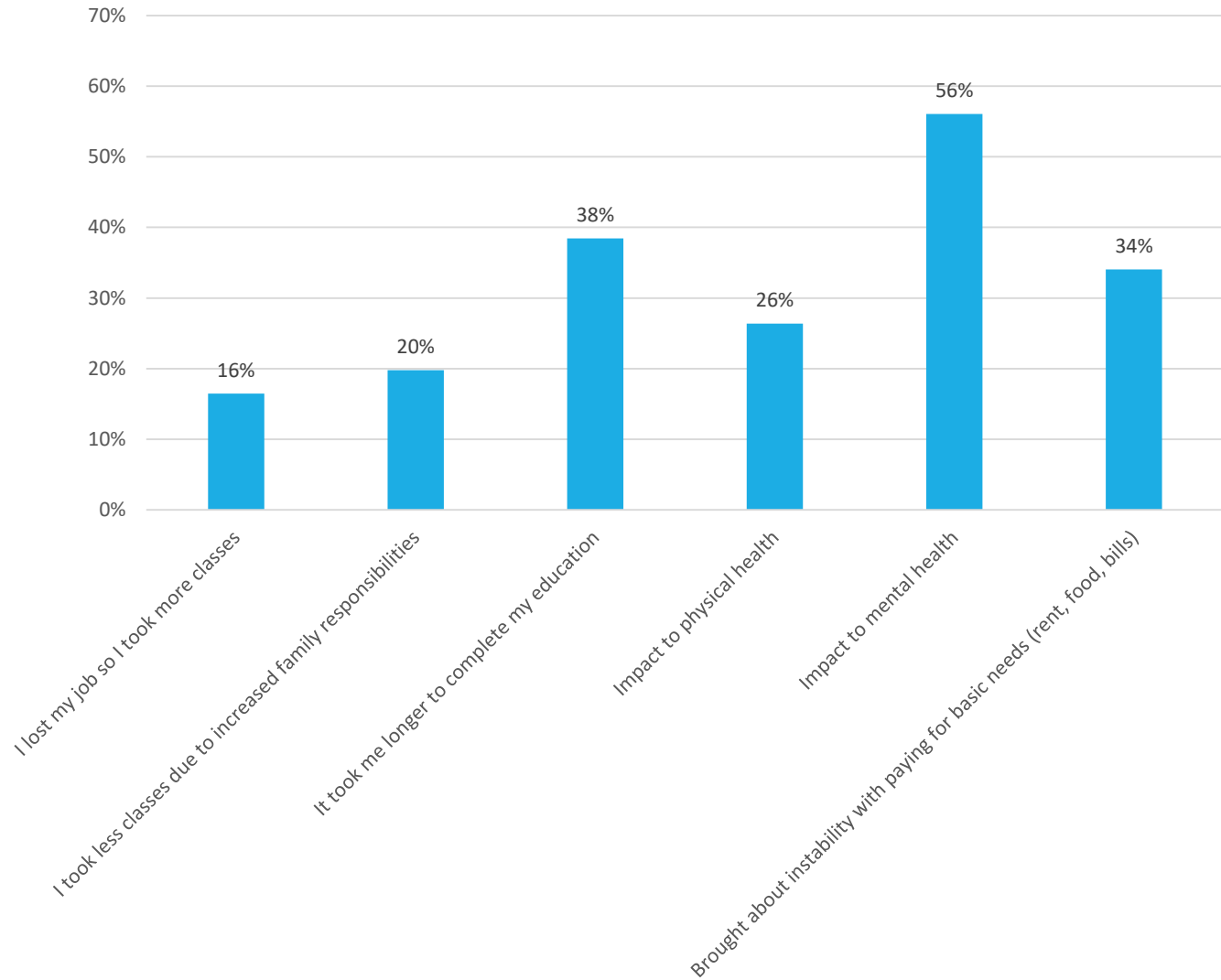
**Between 2019 and 2022, graduates would find career-related activities and alumni networking the most helpful.**

# How did COVID affect students?

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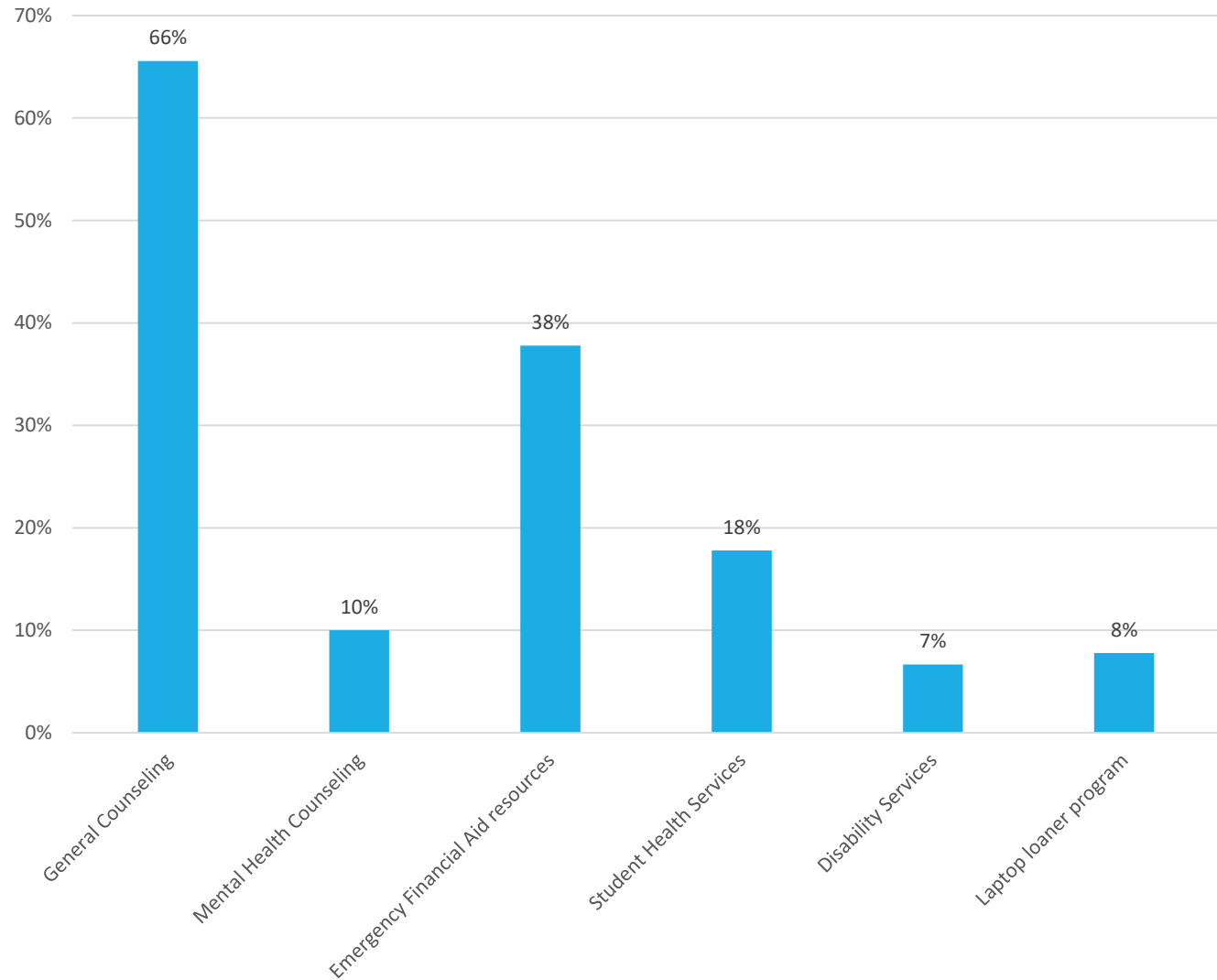
# The effect of COVID on educational plans

- The most common impact was on mental health (56%).
- 38% of students reported that COVID caused them to take longer to complete their education.



# Resources used to manage impact of COVID

- Most student reported seeking general counseling to manage the impact of COVID.
- 38% of students reported receiving emergency financial aid resources.
- 10% of students received mental health counseling as a way to manage the impact of COVID.



# Aid Received

- A little more than half of graduates reported receiving an emergency grant award.
- Almost two-thirds of graduates reported receiving a transportation grant.

