

# San Diego Miramar College Graduation Survey

**5-year Comparison (2018/19 – 2022/23)**

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# Graduation Survey Student Characteristics

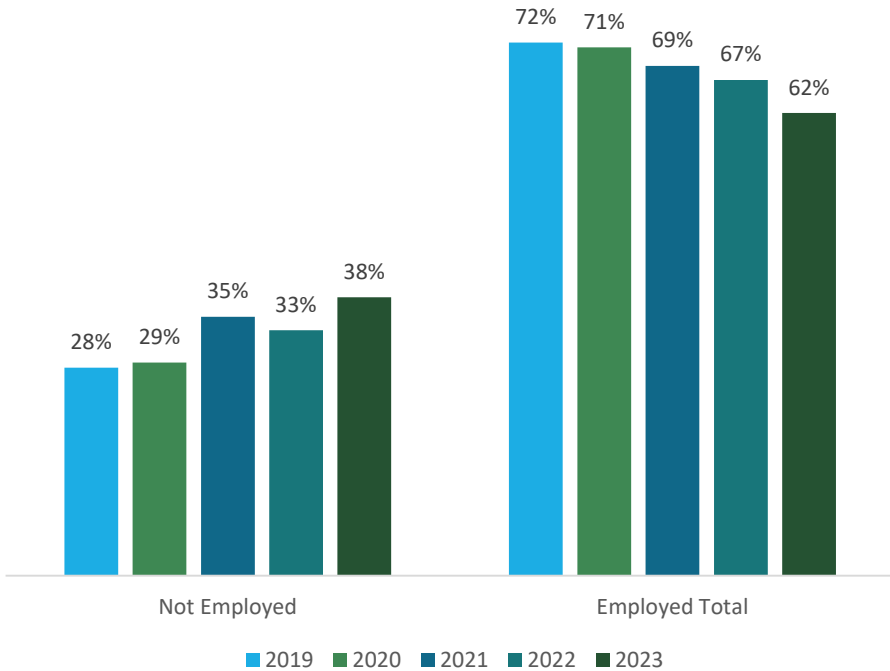
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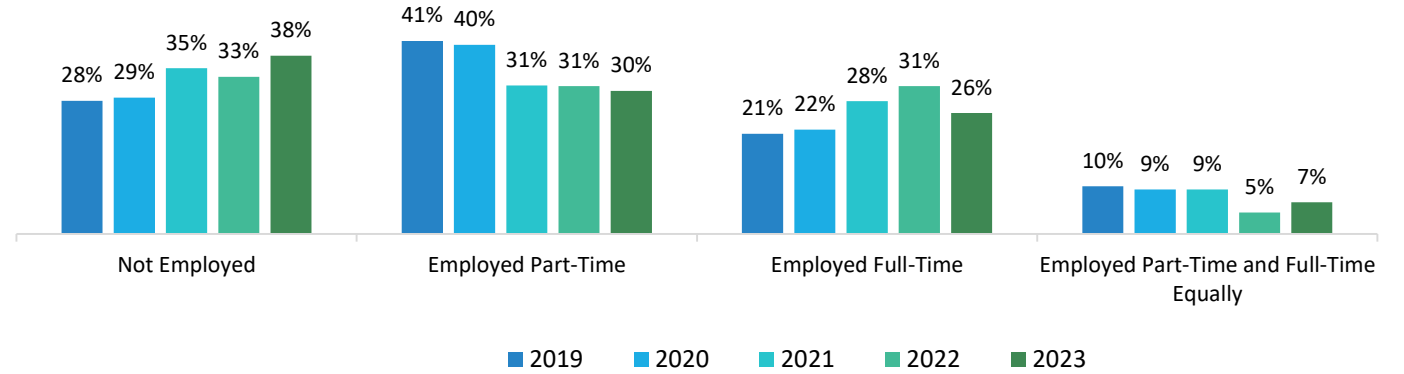
# Student Employment

**Most students were employed**

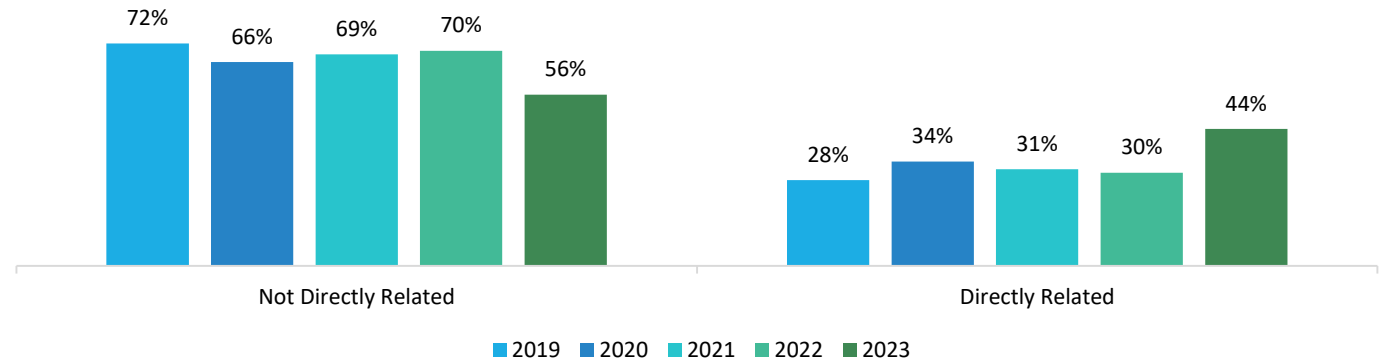
Employment by Year



Type of Employment



**The 2023 cohort found more work related to their field of study**

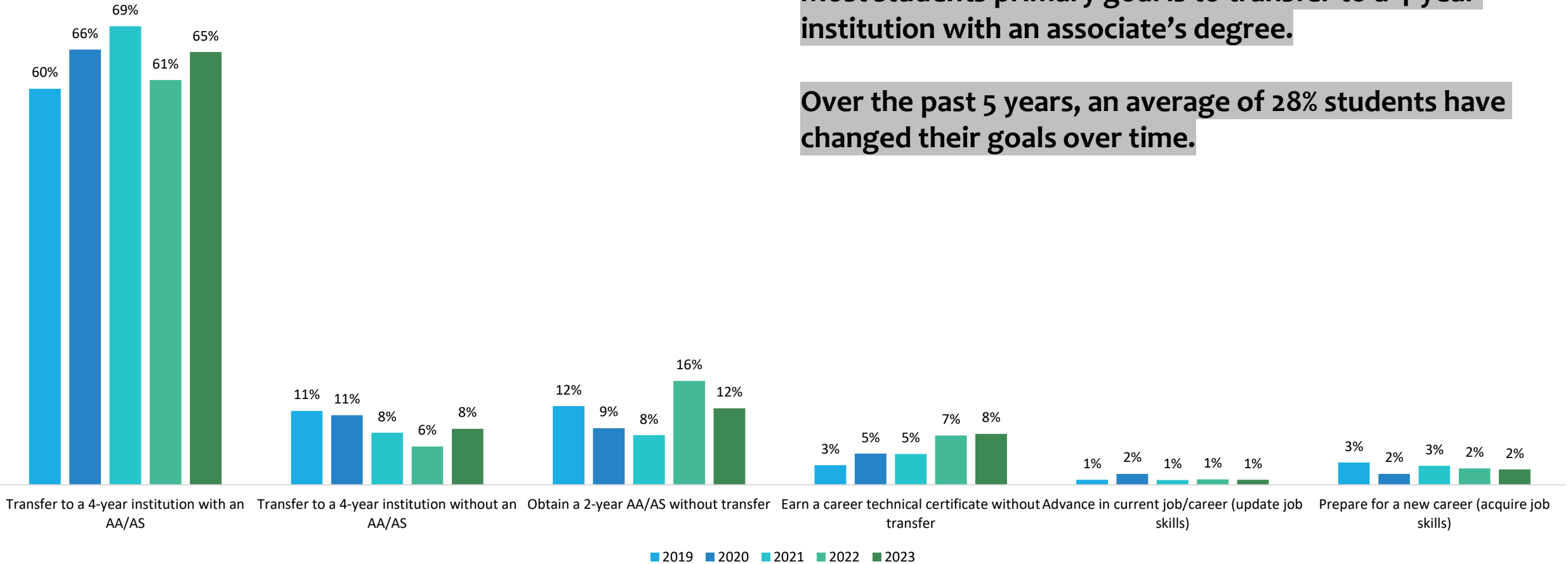




# Primary Education Goal

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 28% students have changed their goals over time.

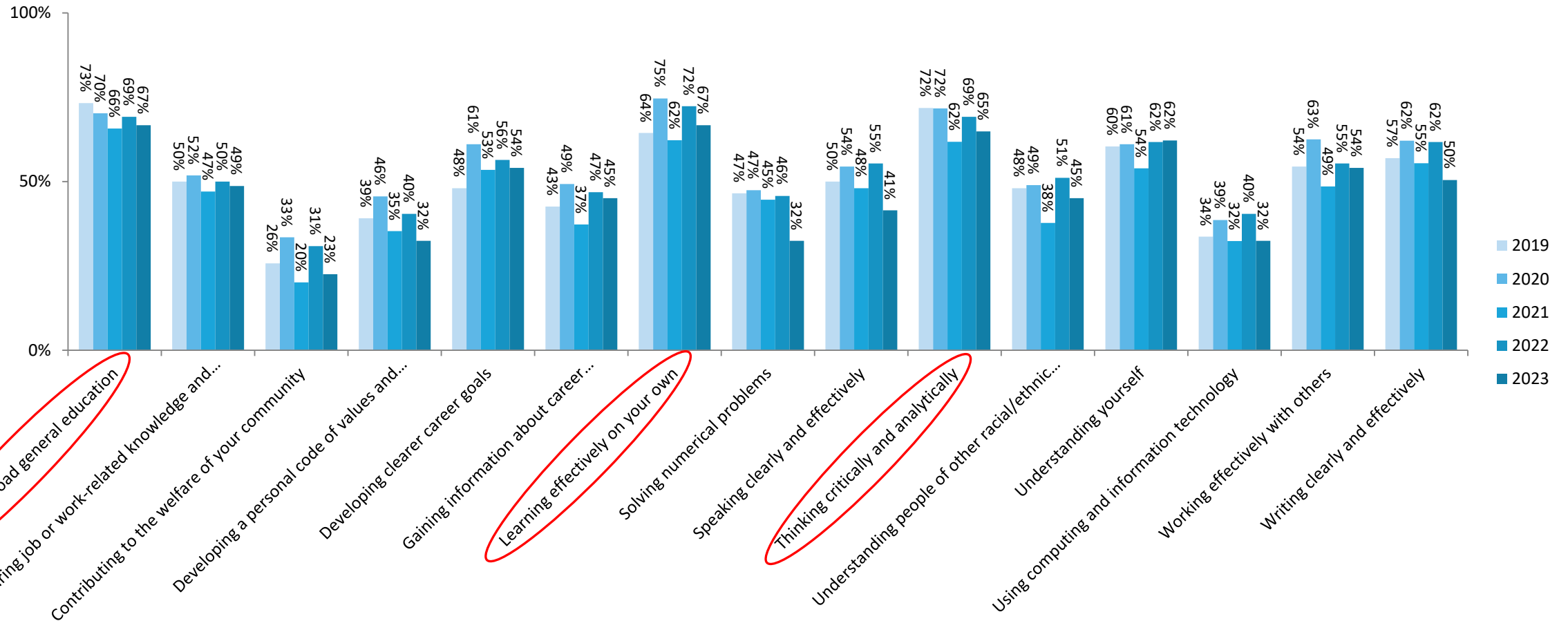


# How did attending Miramar College impact graduates?

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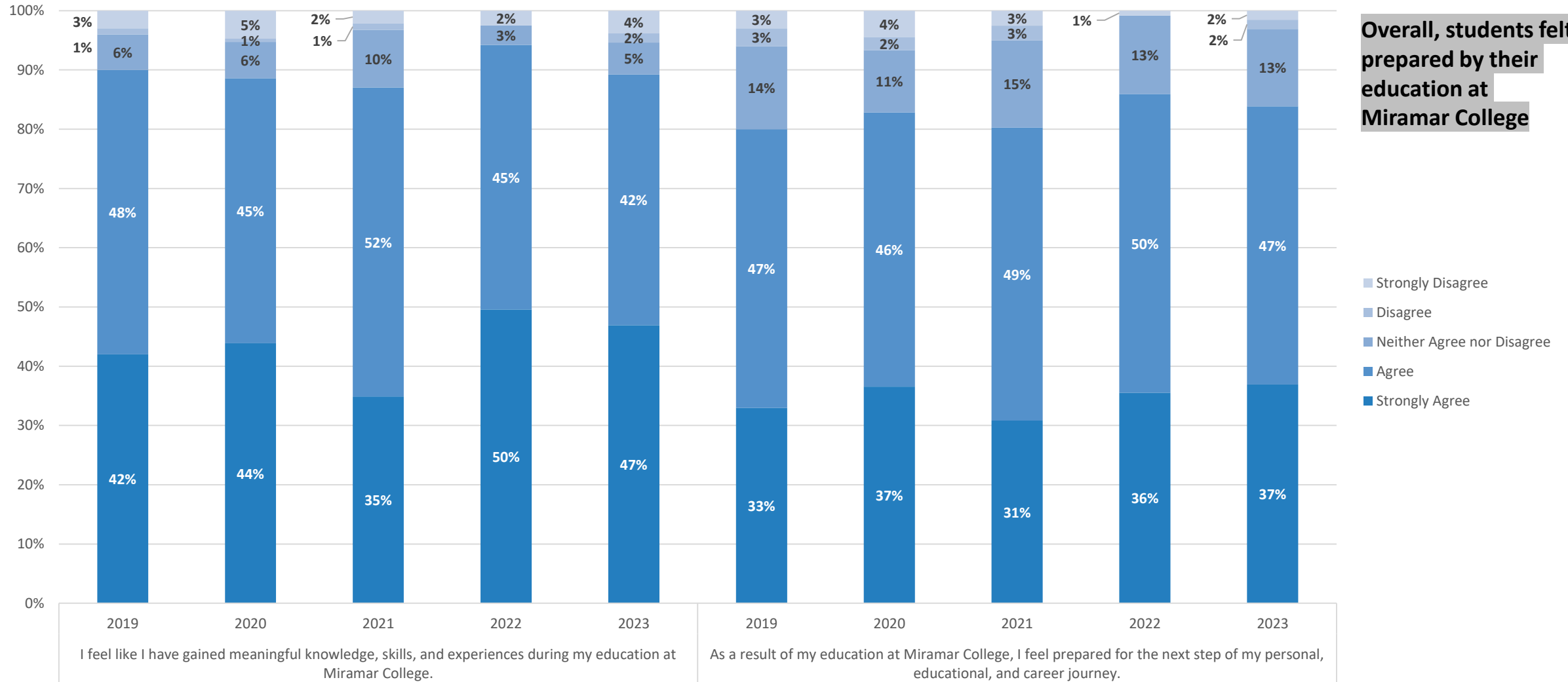
# How has Miramar contributed to student knowledge, skills, and personal development?



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

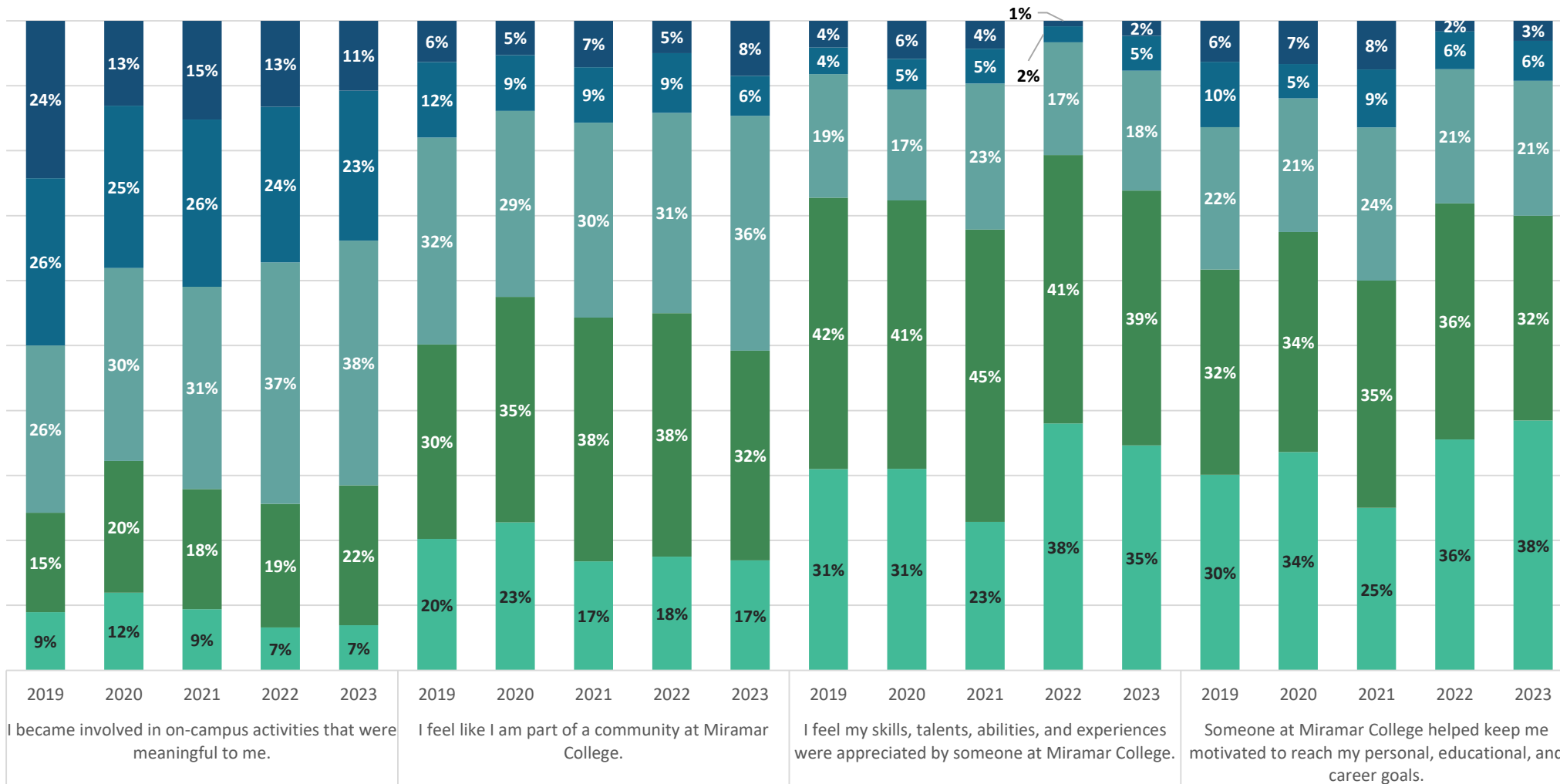


# Student Preparation





# Student Satisfaction



Over 70% of respondents felt appreciated or motivated by someone at Miramar College.

About half of students felt a sense of community.

Approximately 31% of respondents became involved in meaningful on-campus activities.

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



# What impact did services have?

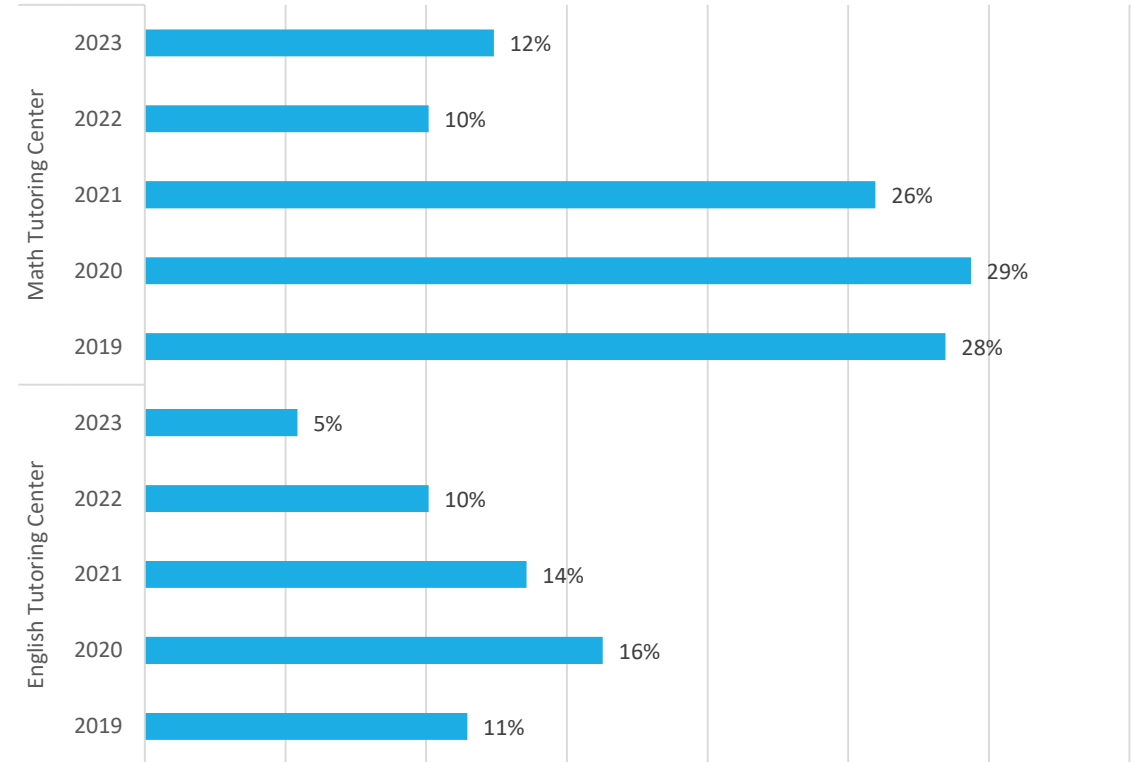
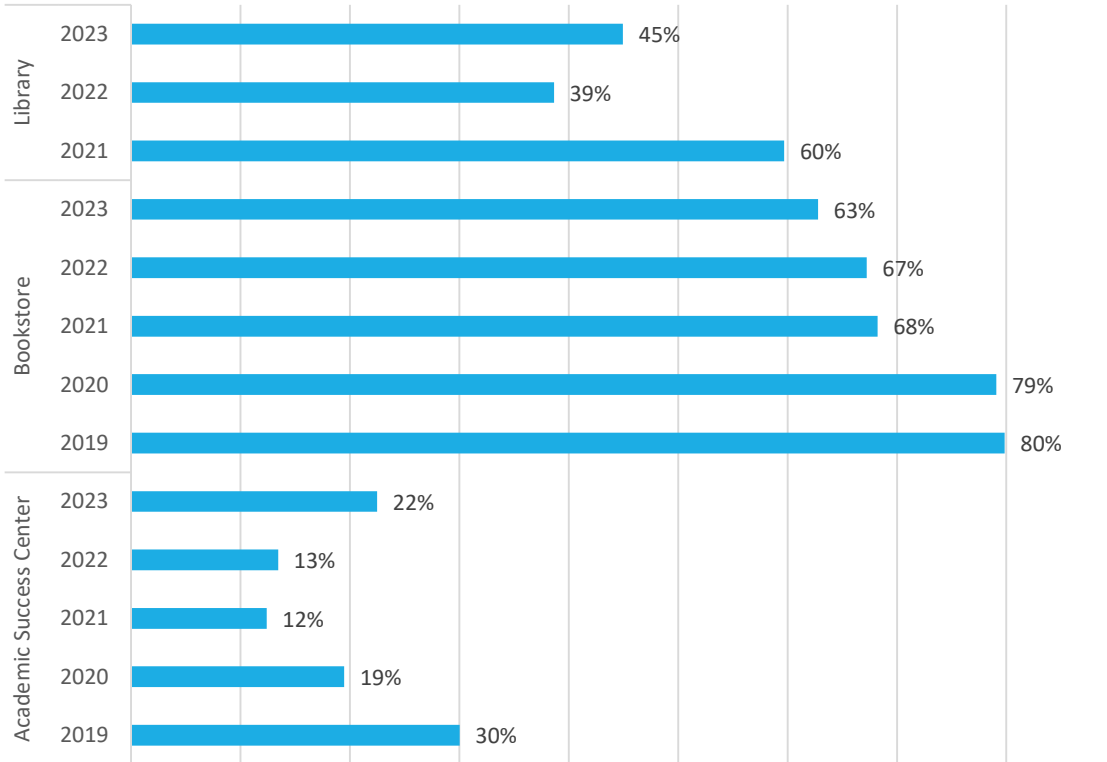
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# Student Services Utilization

Library, Bookstore, ASC

Math & English Tutoring



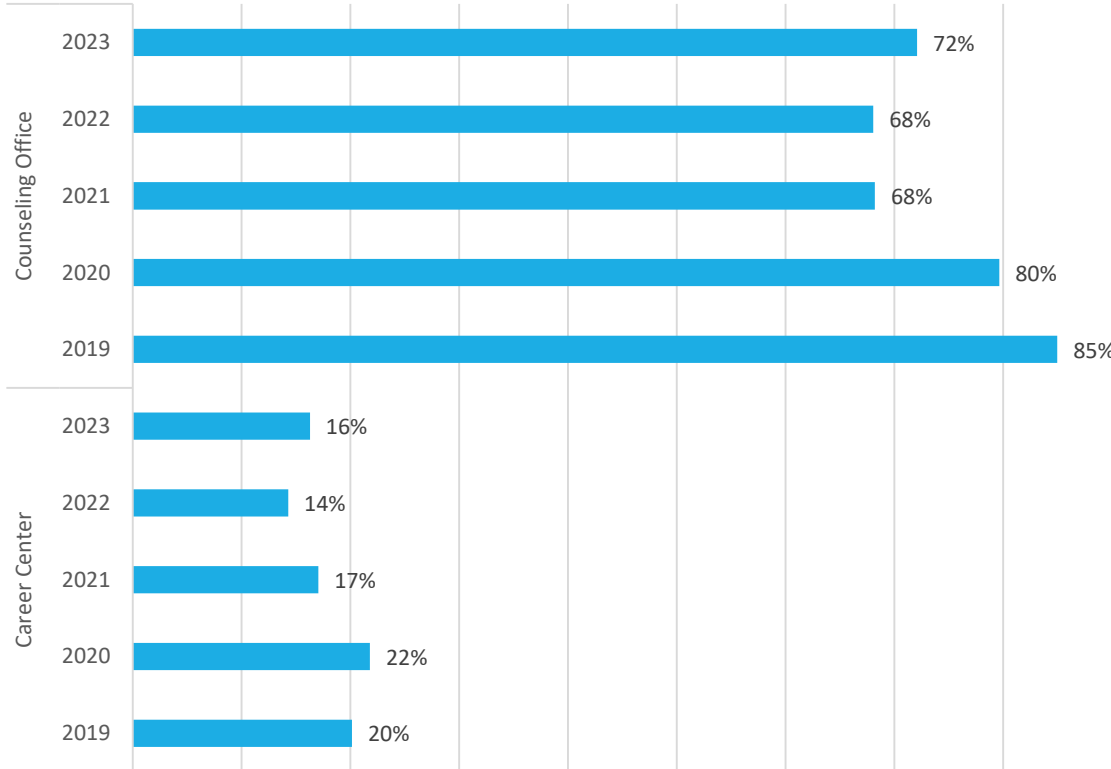
**The library and academic success center are utilized significantly less compared to previous years.**

**Use of tutoring services has declined.**

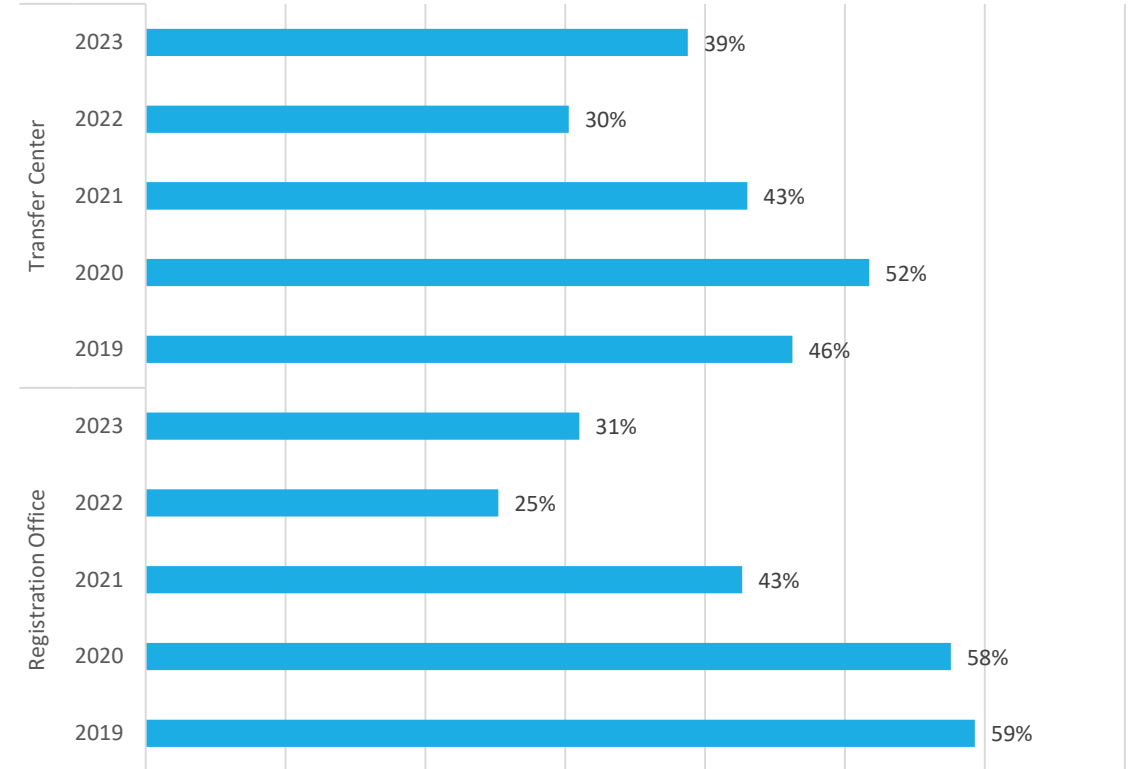


# Student Services Utilization

## Career & Counseling Services



## Registration & Transfer Services

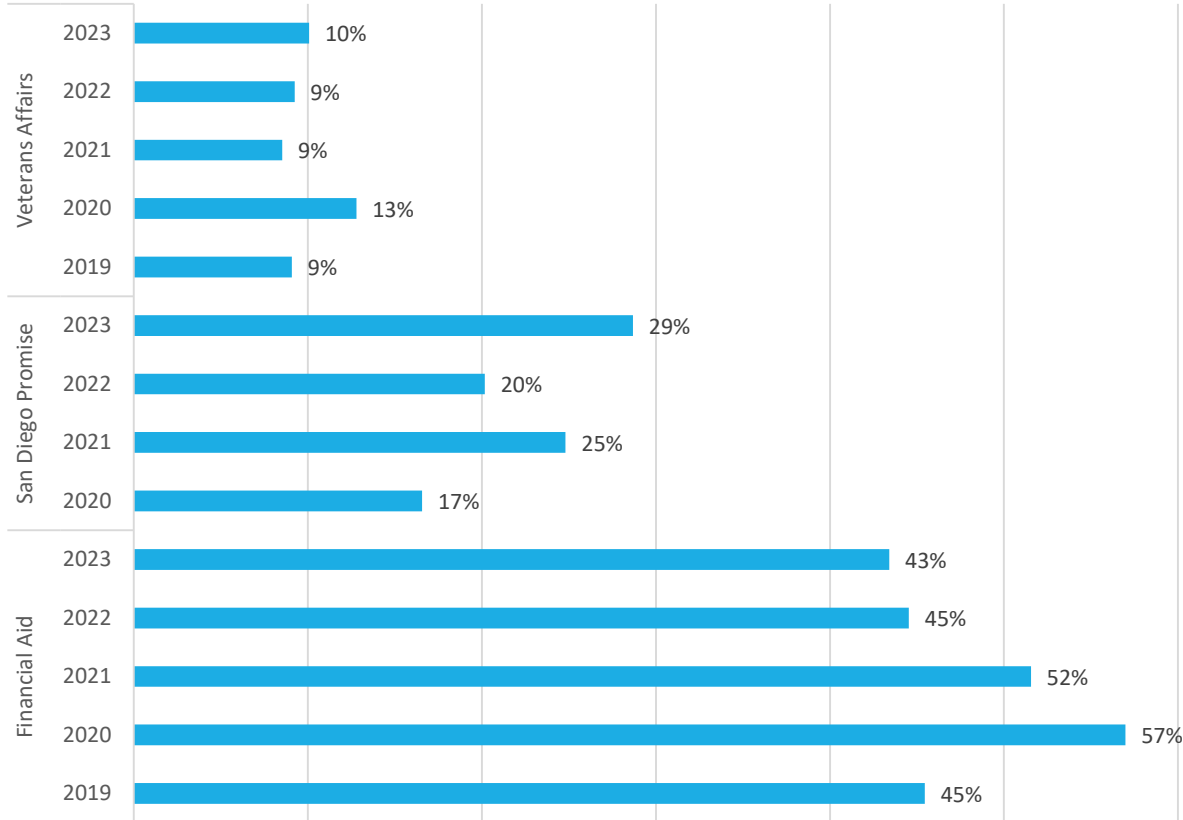


**Usage of the counseling office and career center have increased slightly from the previous year. Usage of the transfer center and registration office increased more significantly.**

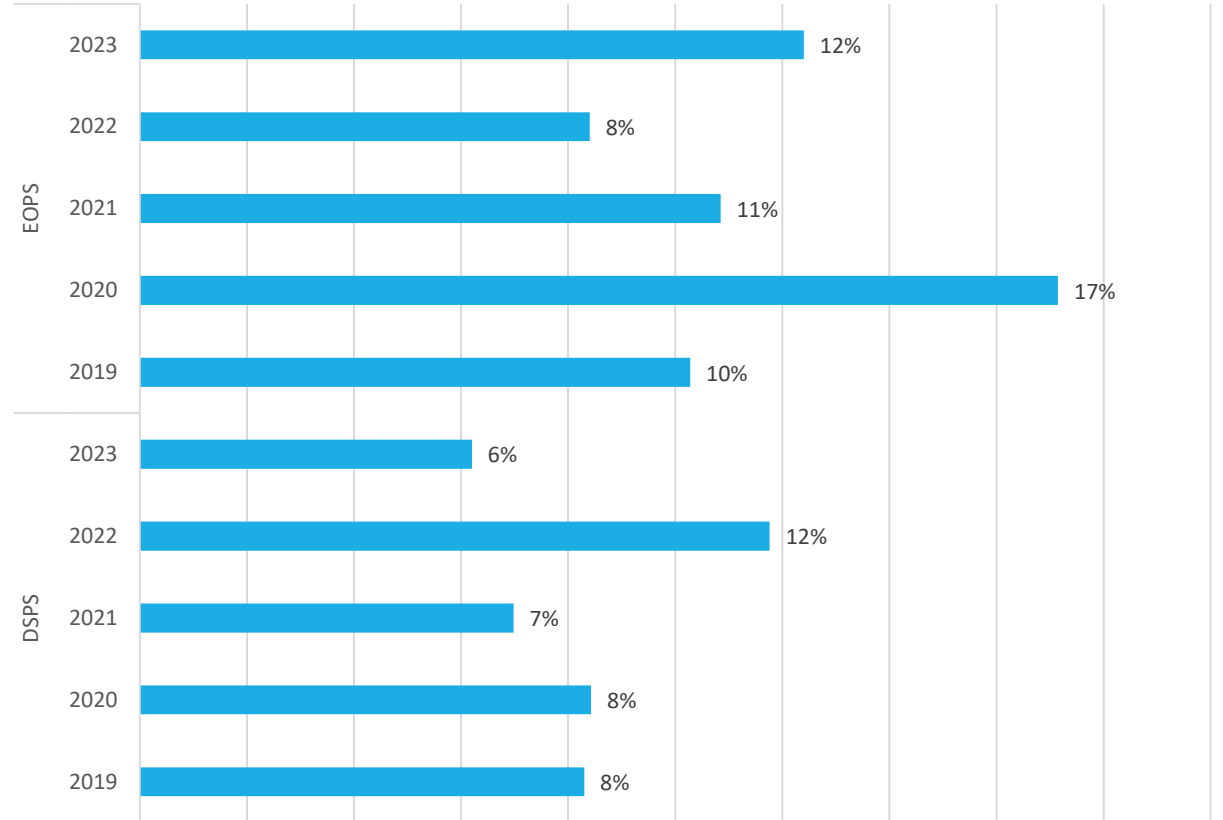


# Student Services Utilization

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



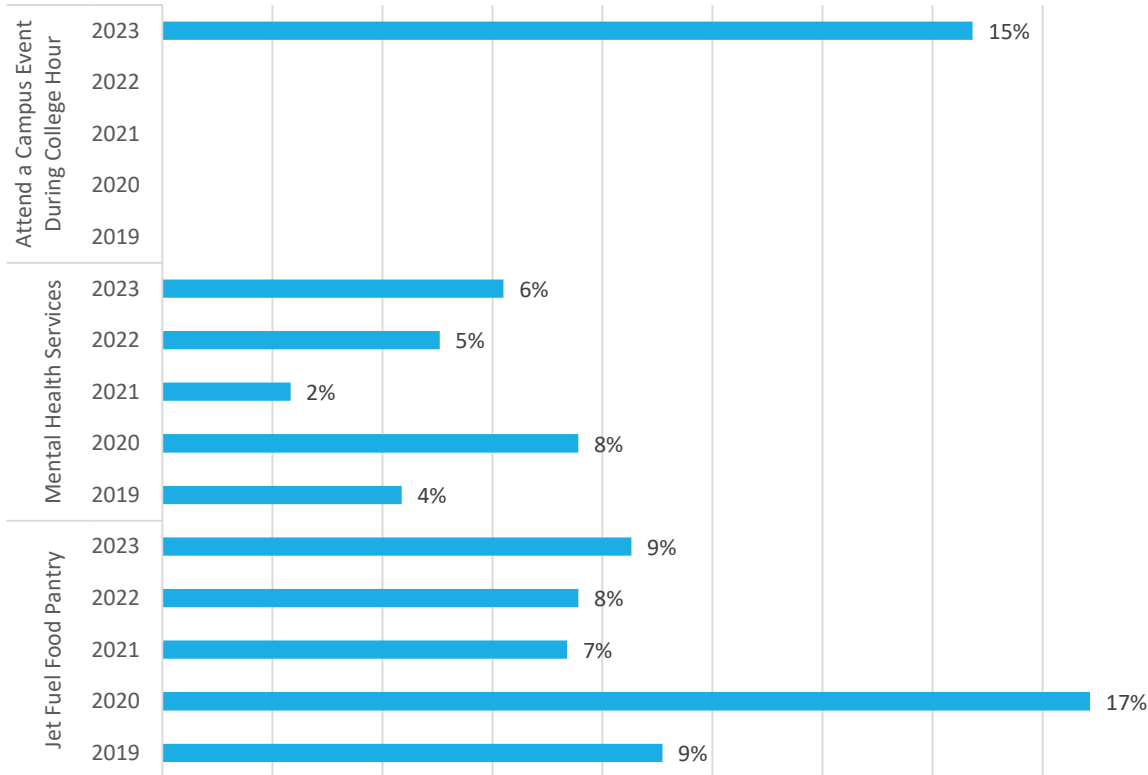
## EOPS & DSPS





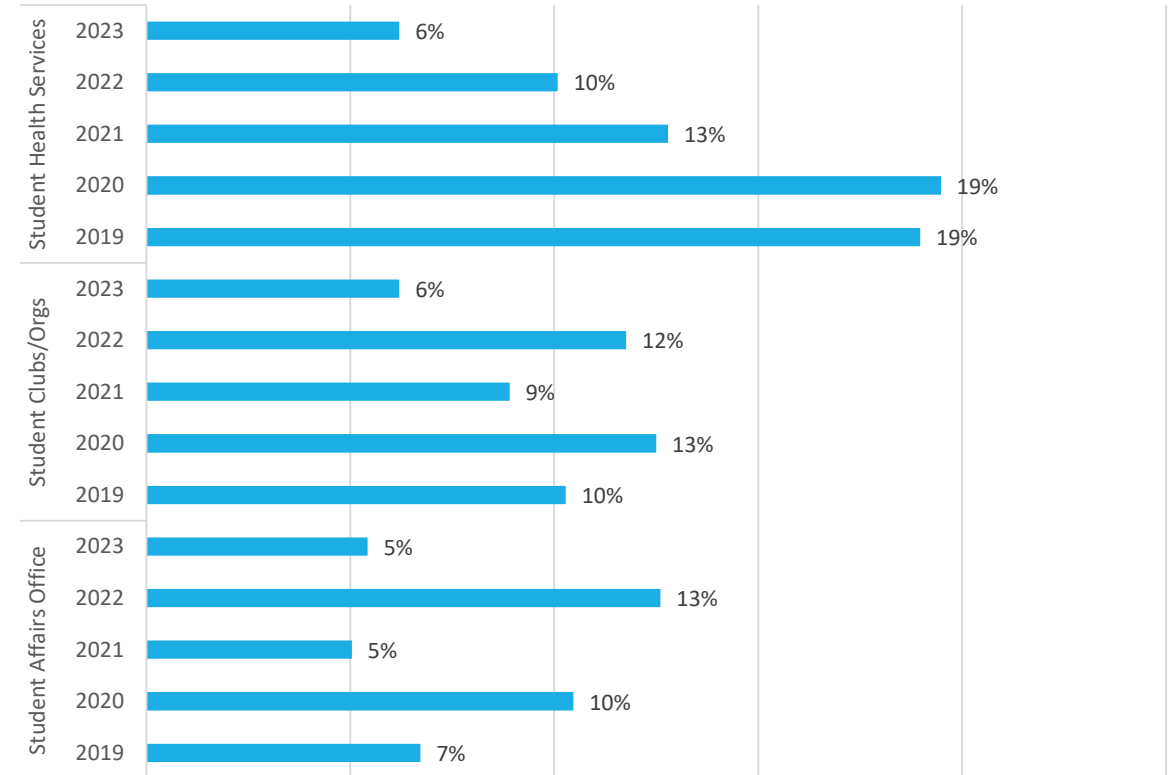
# Student Services Utilization

Jet Fuel, Mental Health, On-Campus Events



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

Student Affairs, Clubs/Orgs, and Health Services

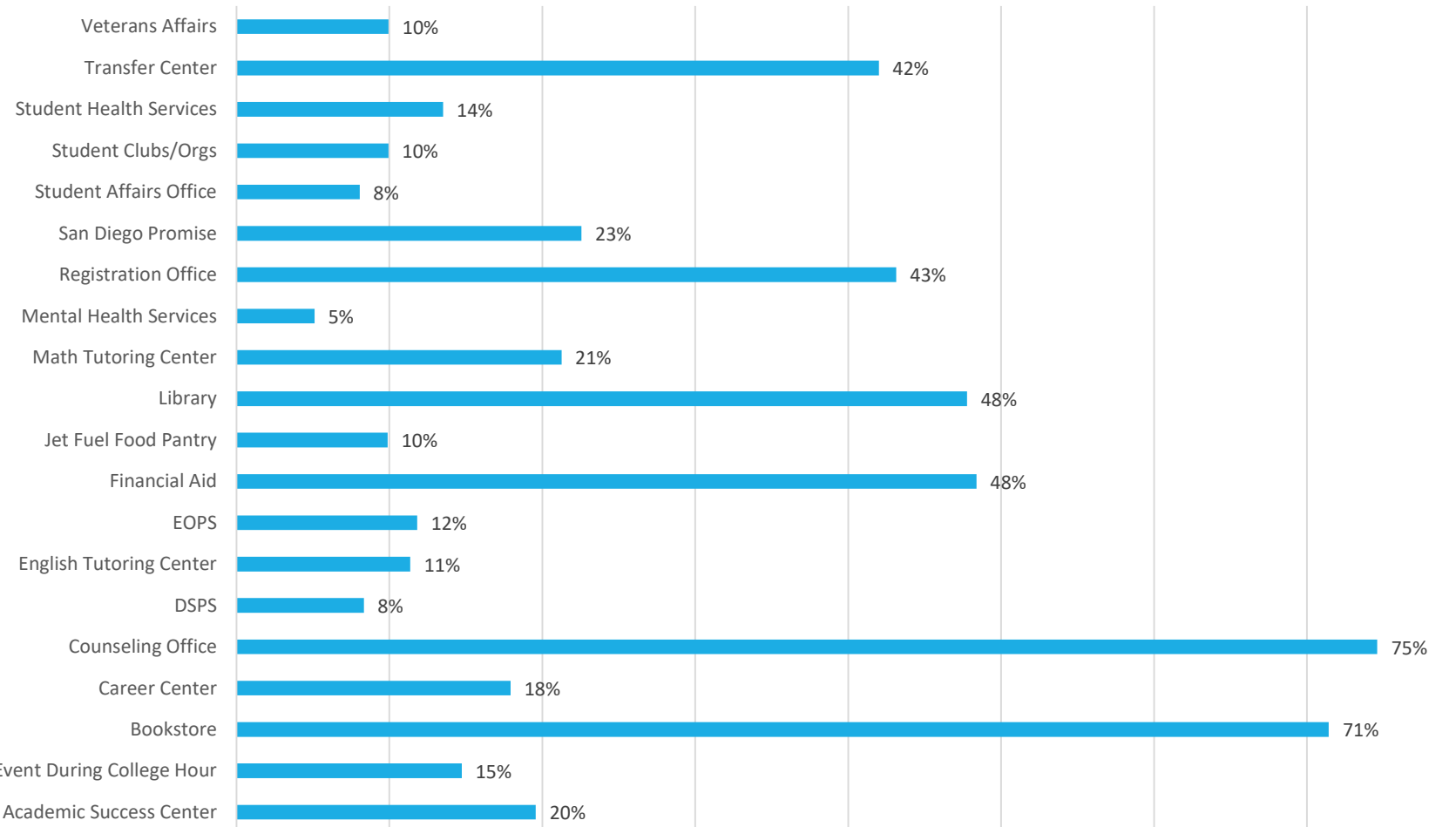


**Usage of student health services, the student affairs office, and student clubs have declined from the previous year.**



# 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.

EOPS, Math Tutoring Center, San Diego Promise, and Transfer Center all had over 90% positive/strong positive impact.

# How did Miramar College help graduates reach their goals?

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# Supporting Students

## Successes

- Support from instructors was the most common among 2023 graduates.
- Many students received support through counselors and general motivation.
- Student also mentioned being helped through career/education planning and transfer support.

## Opportunities for Improvement

- Students mentioned a need for improvement in community building, counseling, and information sharing
- Students also wanted more availability/accessibility of services and improved processes.

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

2022	2023
25% - Professors/Instructors	22% - Professors/Instructors
16% - Courses/Education	14% - Counselors/Counseling Office
13% - General Materials/Resources	14% - General Motivation/Support/Kindness
12% - Financial Aid/Affordability	10% - Career/Educational Planning
12% - General Motivation/Support/Kindness	9% - Transfer Support/Transfer Center

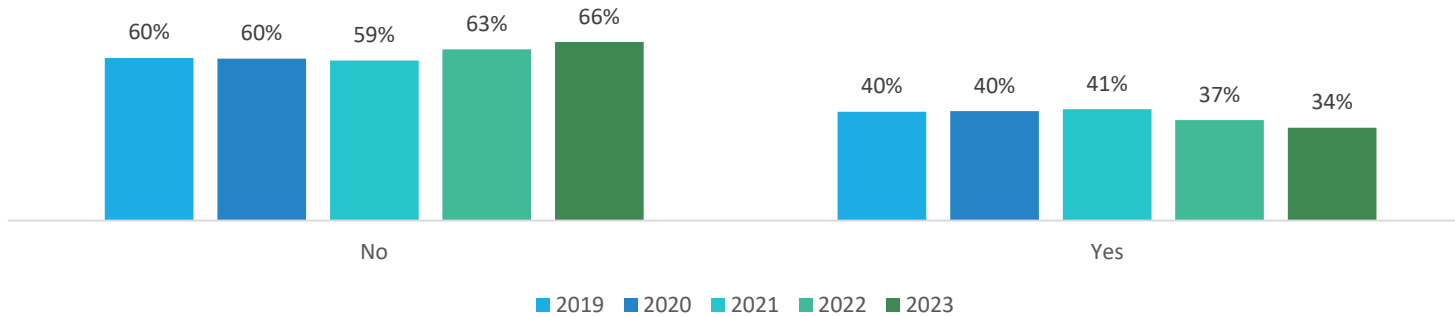
### What did they say we could have done better in supporting them? Top 5

2022	2023
23% - Counseling Quality/Access	16% - Campus Engagement/ Community
12% - Provide more guidance	15% - Counseling Quality/Access
10% - Career Resources/Internships	13% - More Information/Awareness
10% - More Social Activities	10% - Availability/Accessibility
8% - On-Campus Learning	10% - Improve/Help with Processes



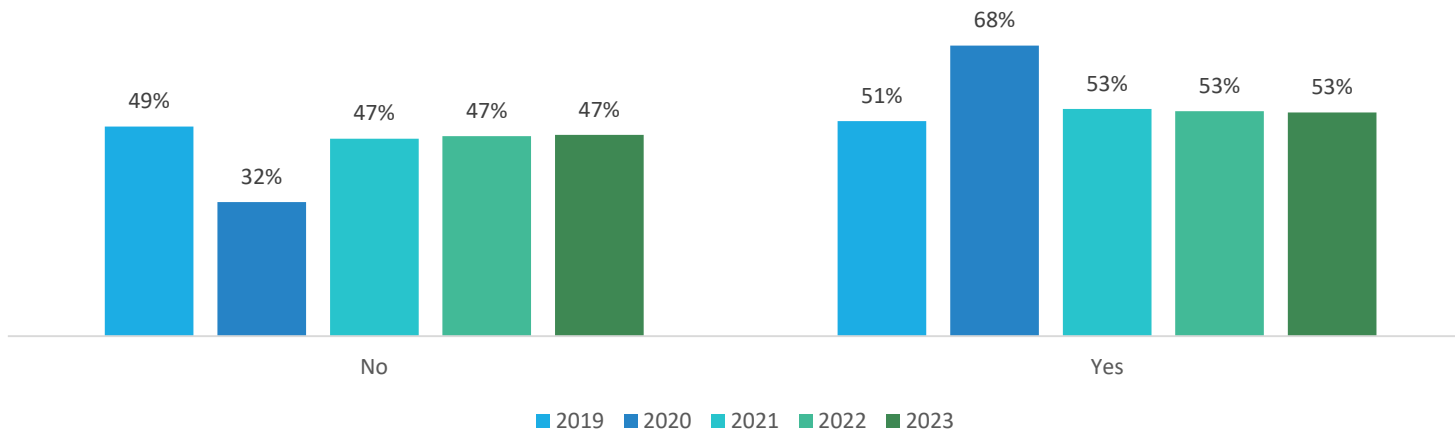
# Student Barriers

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



**From 2019-2023, the average amount of students that faced a barrier was around 39%.**

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



**Over 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	2023
1. Illness/Health Issues	1. Monetary barriers	1. Class difficulty/pacing	1-tie. COVID-19/Remote Learning	1. COVID-19/Remote Learning
2. Monetary barriers	2. COVID-19	2. COVID-19/Remote Learning	1-tie. Monetary Barriers	2-tie. Family Responsibilities/Issues
3. Class difficulty/pacing	3. Class difficulty/pacing	3. Work	3. Family Responsibilities/Issues	2-tie. Work
4. Course Scheduling/Enrollment Issues	4. Work	4. Counseling Issues	4-tie. Mental/Physical Health	4-tie. Lack of Guidance
5. Work	5. Family responsibilities/issues	5. Monetary barriers	4-tie. Course Scheduling/Enrollment Issues	4-tie. Monetary barriers

**Students continue to face barriers due to COVID-19/remote learning, family responsibilities, work commitments, and financial difficulty.**

**Previously, issues with class difficulty was among the top 5 barriers.**

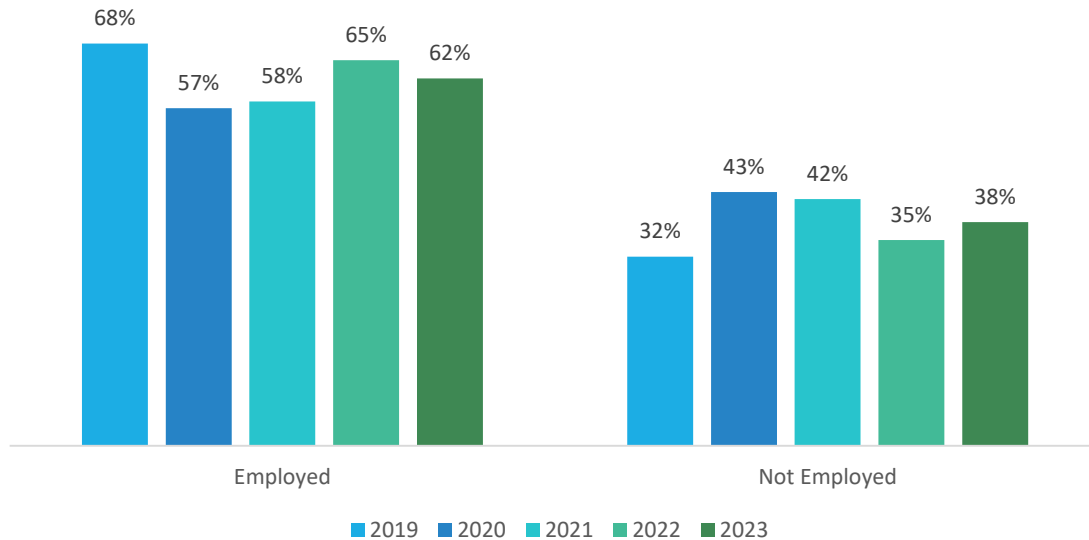
# What are our graduates' goals now?

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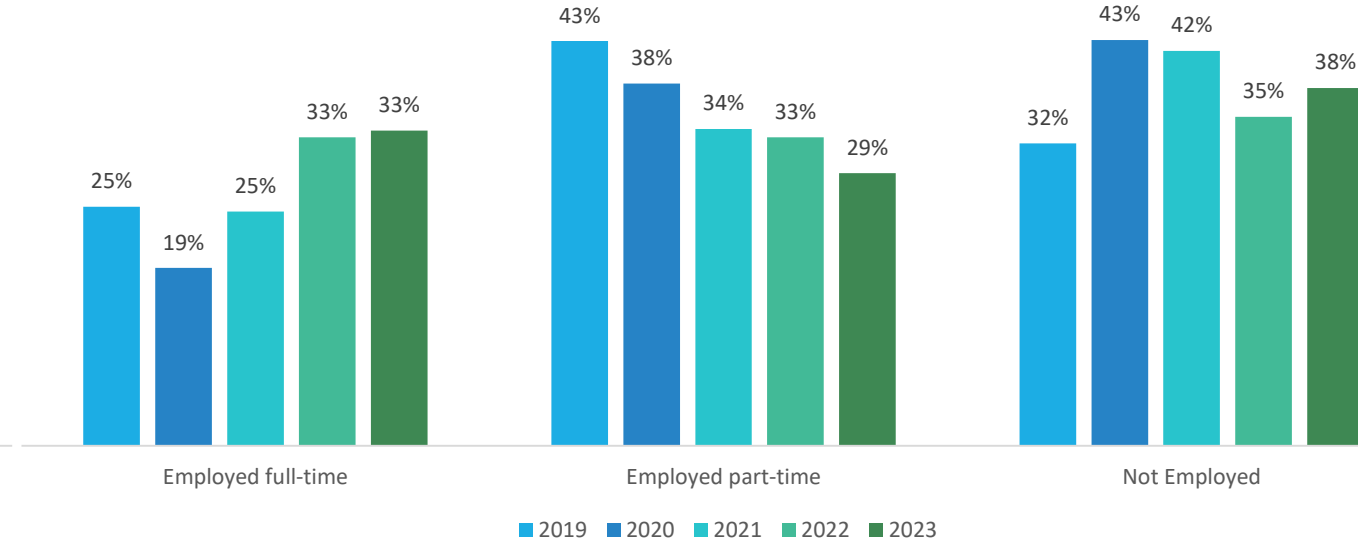


# Are graduates currently employed?

Employed vs Not Employed



Employment by Type

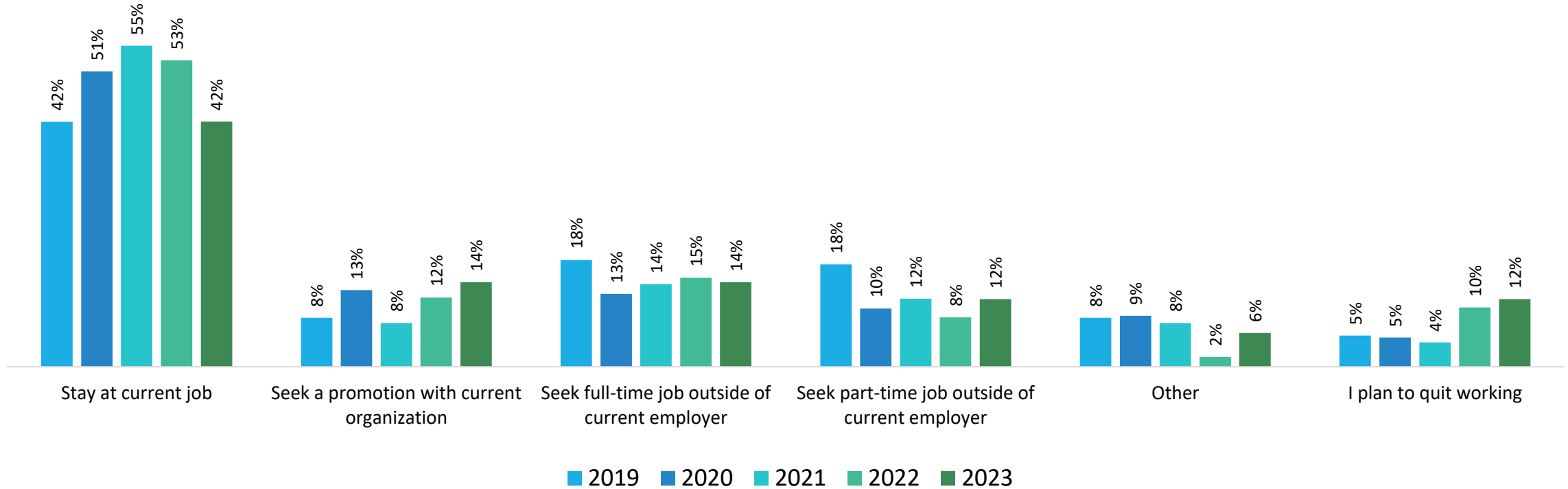


- **Most graduates reported being employed after graduating from Miramar College.**
  - **Full-time employment dropped in 2020, but has now surpassed previous levels.**
  - **33% were employed full-time in 2023.**
  - **38% were not employed in 2023.**



# Employment plans in the next six months

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

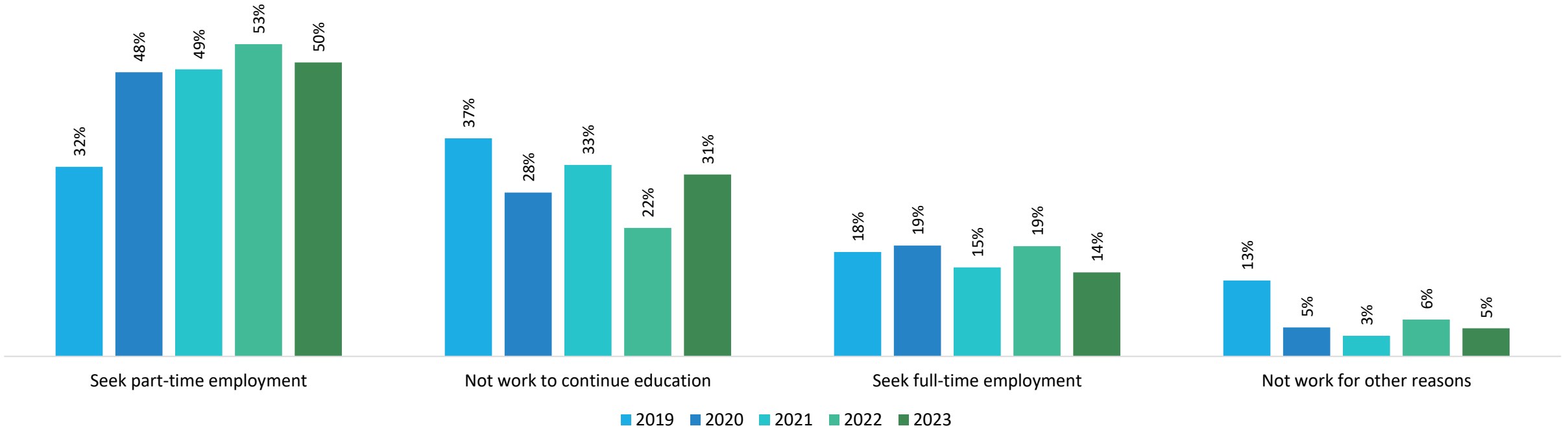


**56% of employed graduates plan to stay with their current job (42% stay, 14% promotion).  
26% plan to seek a new employer (14% full-time, 12% part-time).  
12% indicated that they will quit working.**



# Employment plans in the next six months

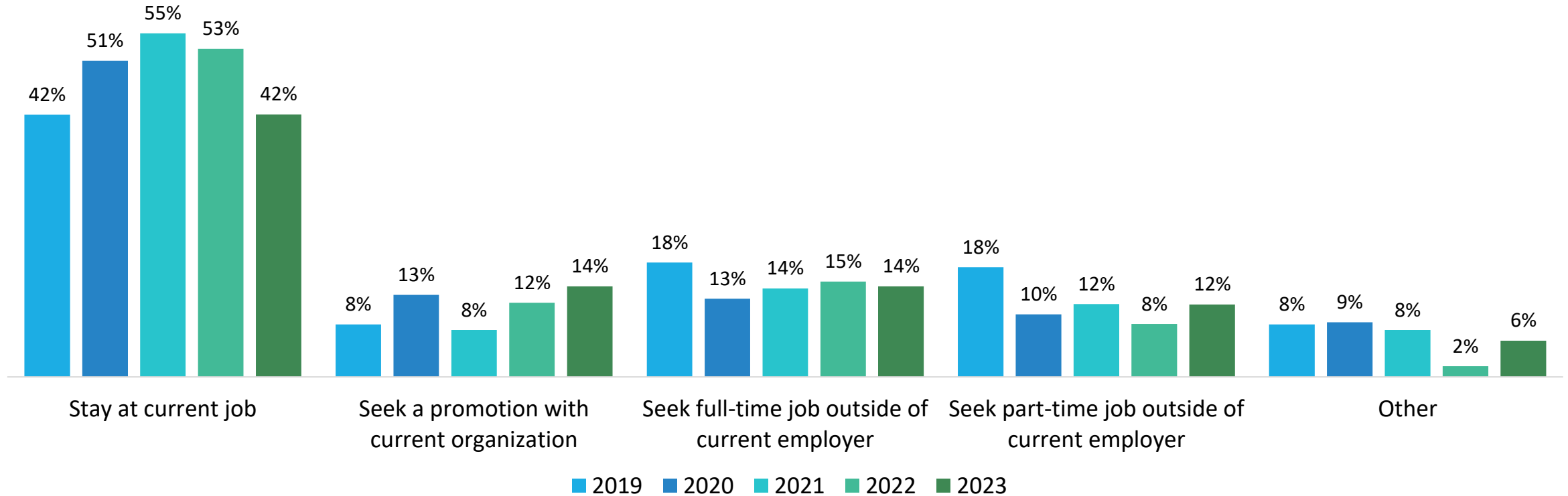
## Unemployed graduates plan to...



**64% of unemployed graduates plan to find employment (50% part-time, 14% full-time).  
36% plan to not work (31% continue education, 5% other reasons).**



# Education plans in the next six months



**60% of graduates plan to transfer to a 4-year university.**

**18% plan to continue at community college (13% Miramar College, 5% another college).**

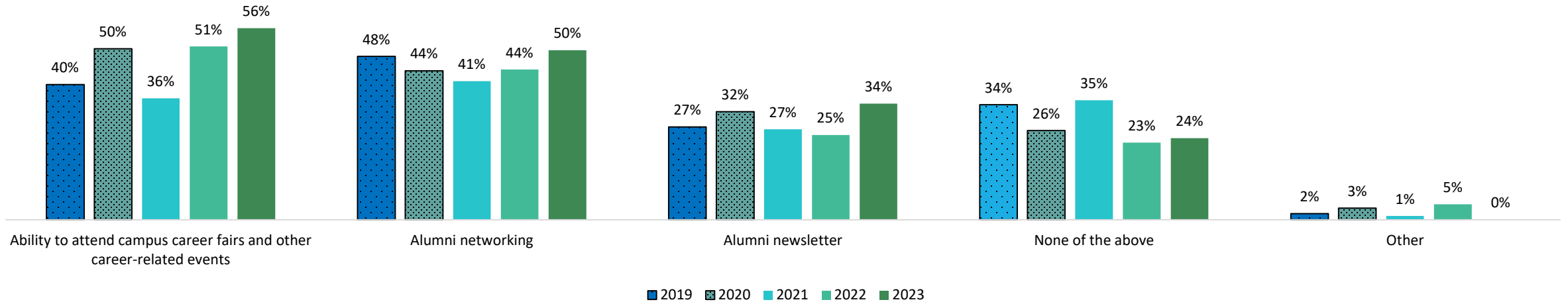
**14% do not plan to seek further education.**





# Miramar Alumni Services

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



**Graduates are most interested in on-campus career events (56%) and alumni networking (50%). Some would like to receive alumni newsletters (34%).**