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1) Introduction

This report examines the destination data of our 2025 leavers. The diversity of destinations presented in this report reflects the extensive and comprehensive provision of advice and guidance that is offered to students throughout their time at Huish. The sources of student destination information include UCAS data, apprenticeship providers, progress reviews, and personal contact with students and parents. This is the eleventh year this report has been produced, which allows us to meaningfully analyse the year-on-year trends and comment on changes seen between groups of leavers.

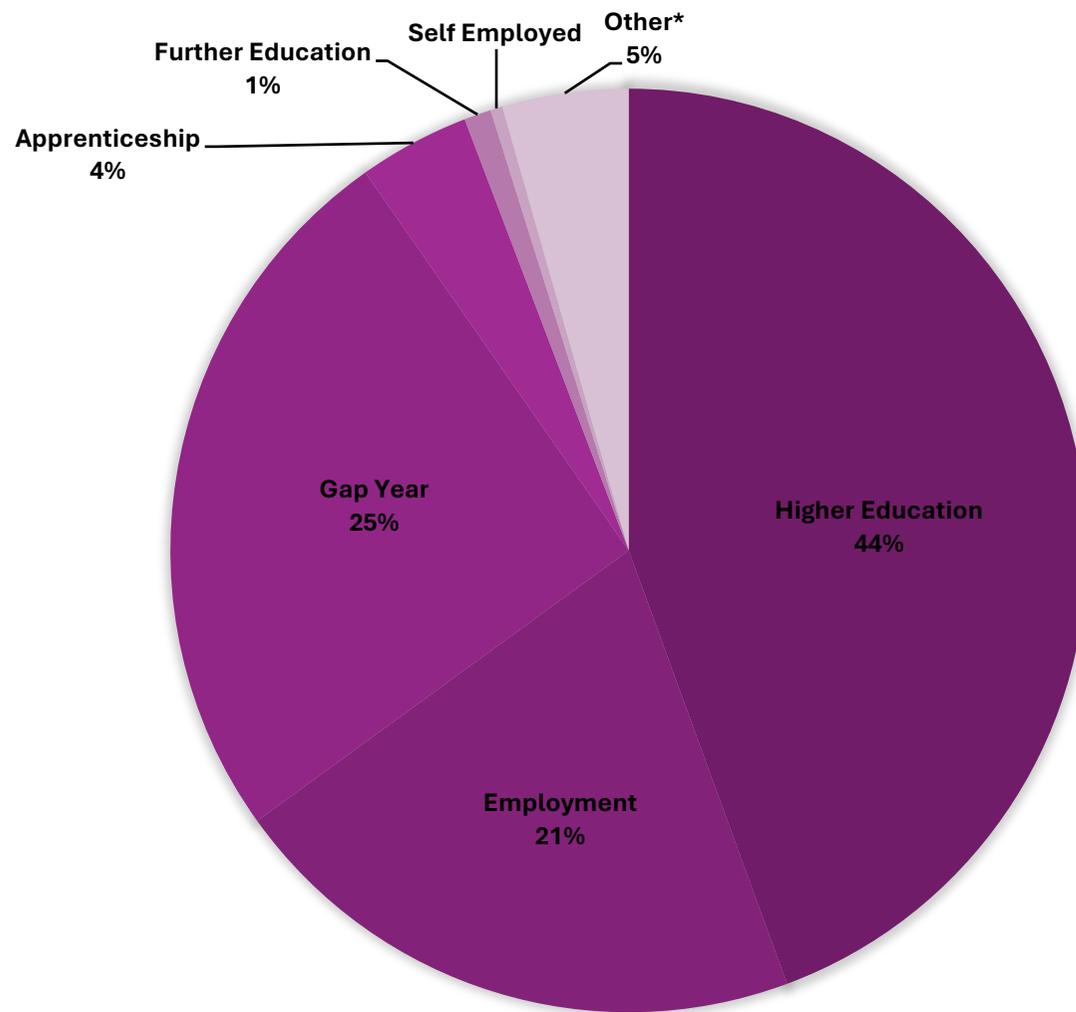
Level 2 student destinations have been included with a separate summary due to the range of different options available to Level 2 students.

2) Destinations of 2025 Leavers

Destination	No. students (2025)	% of students (2025)* ²	No. students (2024)	% of students (2024)	No. students (2023)	% of students (2023)* ²	No. students (2022)	% of students (2022)* ²	No. students (2021)	% of students (2021)
Higher Education	419	44.4	387	45.1	373	44.3	414	49.3	399	47.7
Employment	195	20.7	194	22.6	155	18.4	158	18.8	186	22.2
Gap Year	238	25.2	193	22.5	235	27.9	203	24.2	182	21.8
Apprenticeship	37	3.9	43	5	41	4.9	36	4.3	36	4.3
Further Education	9	1.0	14	1.6	19	2.6	6	0.7	10	1.2
Self Employed	4	0.4	1	0.1	1	0.1	2	0.2	5	0.6
Other*	42	4.4	27	3.1	18	2.1	20	2.4	18	2.2
Total no. of leavers	944		859		842		839		836	

* Other includes not known, voluntary work and unemployed.

*² Percentages are rounded to 1d.p.



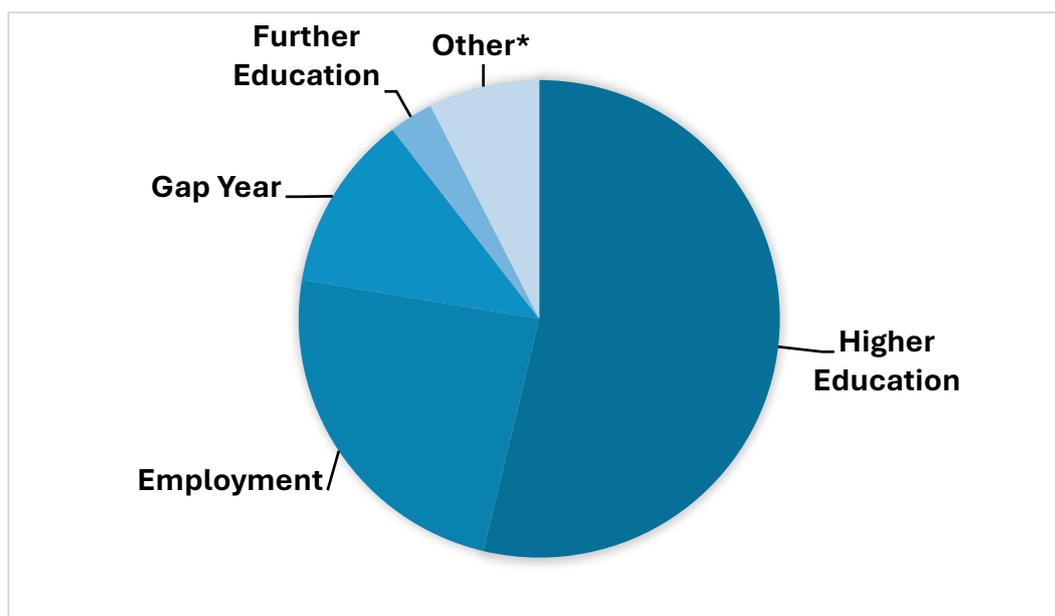
3) Destinations of 2025 Level 3 Disadvantaged Students

'Disadvantaged' is defined by Ofsted as those students who have been classified as Pupil Premium and/or claimed free school meals in the past six years.

Destination	No. of disadvantaged students (2025)	% of students (2025)* ²	No. of disadvantaged students (2024)	% of students (2024)
Higher Education	36	53.7	29	43.3
Employment	16	23.9	19	28.4
Gap Year	8	11.9	13	19.4
Apprenticeship	0	0.0	3	4.5
Further Education	2	3.0	1	1.5
Self Employed	0	0	0	0
Other*	5	7.5	2	3
Total number of leavers	67		67	

* Other includes not known, voluntary work and unemployed.

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4) Destination Breakdown by Programme of Study

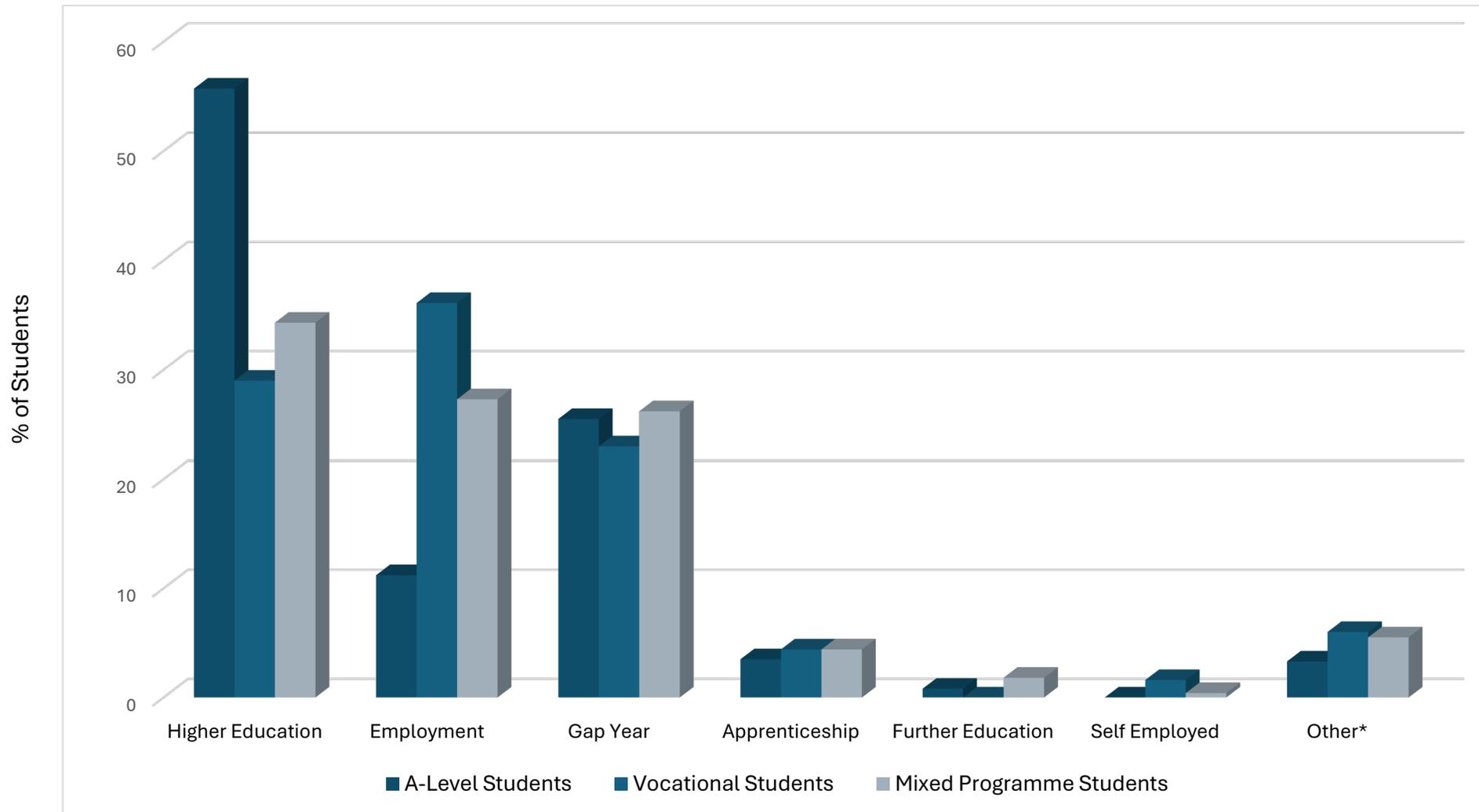
Breaking down the data by programme of study means that we are able to compare destination statistics between A-level, vocational, and mixed programme students. 'A Level' refers to students with a programme comprising solely of A Level qualifications; 'vocational' refers to students undertaking a BTEC or Cambridge National Extended Diploma or equivalent; 'mixed programme' refers to students with a programme comprising a combination of A Level and vocational qualifications.

Destination	No. of students (2025)	% of students (2025)* ²	No. of A-level students (2025)	% of A-level students (2025)* ²	No. of vocational students (2025)	% of vocational students (2025)* ²	No. of mixed programme students (2025)	% of mixed programme students (2025)* ²
Higher Education	419	44.4	273	55.7	53	29.0	93	34.3
Employment	195	20.7	55	11.2	66	36.1	74	27.3
Gap Year	238	25.2	125	25.5	42	23.0	71	26.2
Apprenticeship	37	3.9	17	3.5	8	4.4	12	4.4
Further Education	9	1.0	4	0.8	0	0	5	1.8
Self Employed	4	0.4	0	0	3	1.6	1	0.4
Other*	42	4.4	16	3.3	11	6.0	15	5.5
Total number of leavers	944		490		183		271	

* Other includes not known, voluntary work and unemployed.

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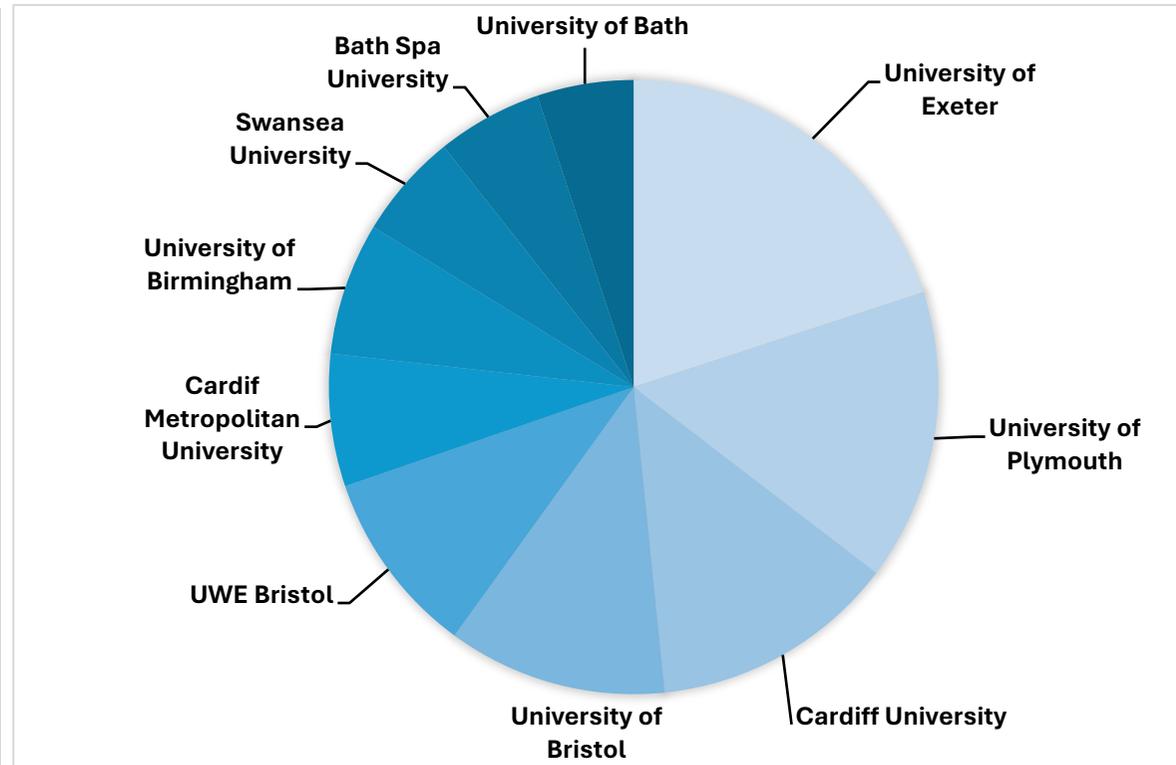
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5) Higher Education

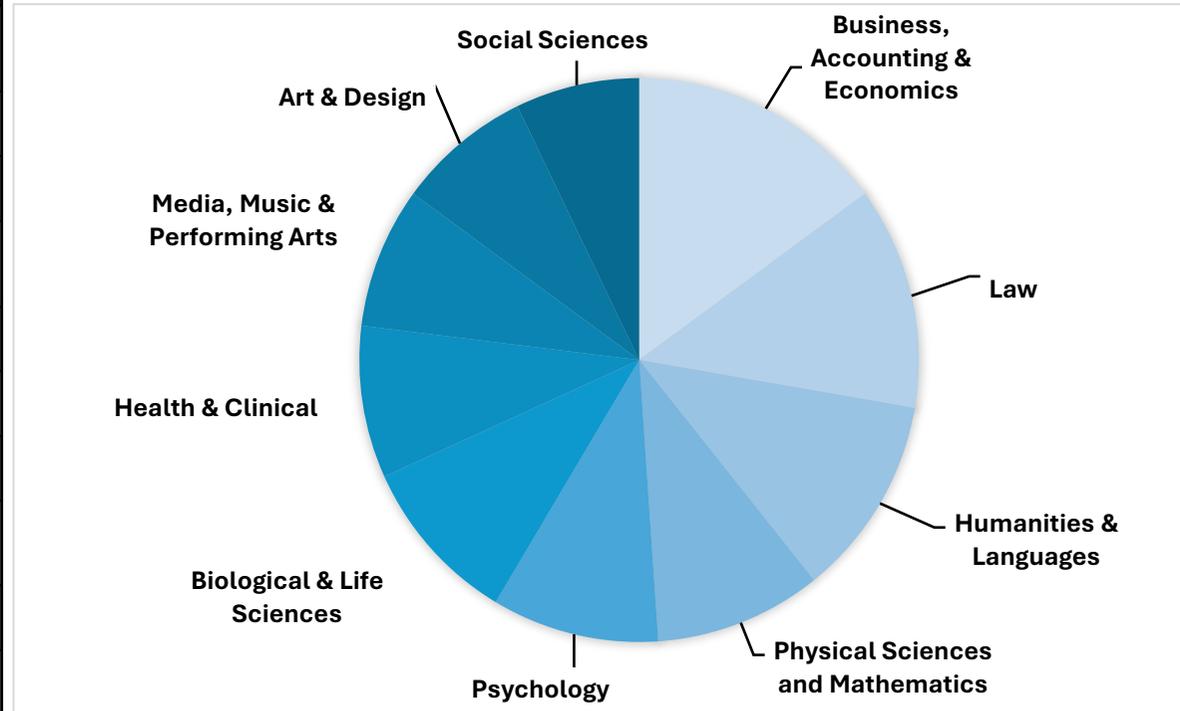
a) Higher Education by Top Ten Institutions

Rank	University	Number of students
1	University of Exeter	43
2	University of Plymouth	33
3	Cardiff University	27
4	University of Bristol	25
5	UWE Bristol	20
6	Cardiff Metropolitan University	15
7	University of Birmingham	15
8	Bath Spa University	12
9	Swansea University	11
10	University of Bath	11
	Other Institutions	207
	Total HE students	419



b) Higher Education by Top Ten Subjects

Rank	Subject Area	Number of students
1	Business, Accounting & Economics	48
2	Law	41
3	Humanities & Languages	37
4	Physical Sciences and Mathematics	31
5	Psychology	31
6	Biological & Life Sciences	31
7	Health & Clinical	28
8	Media, Music & Performing Arts	26
9	Art & Design	25
10	Social Sciences	23
	Other Subjects	98
	Total HE students	419



c) Degree Classification Results of Richard Huish College Alumni

This data, provided by the Sixth Form Colleges Association, outlines the degree performance of Richard Huish College alumni who graduated in 2025/26. When looking at all Higher Education Institutions, the proportion of Richard Huish students who achieve a first class or upper second class honours is 8 percentage points higher than the Sixth Form College sector. Students from areas with the lowest HE participation rate achieved more first class or upper second class honours than all sectors, except the Independent sector. This was also the case for students who parents do not have HE qualifications.

Russell Group degree classification students from Huish outperformed all other sectors in terms of first class and upper second class honours, with 93% achieving these grades.

All 4 of these degree classification groups have shown clearly that Huish is preparing students extremely well for higher education. Further to this, Huish is evidently supporting students from disadvantaged backgrounds to achieve highly in their next steps in life.

All UK HEIs	Provider	Cohort size	First	Upper Second	First class and upper second class honours	Lower Second	Third	Unclassified
	Richard Huish College	420	32.7%	52.2%	84.9%	13.2%	1.7%	0.2%
	Sixth Form College sector	36435	27.9%	49.1%	77.0%	18.5%	2.7%	1.8%
	State sector	225075	27.2%	49.1%	76.4%	18.3%	2.5%	2.8%
	Independent sector	27350	31.9%	54.3%	86.2%	11.4%	1.0%	1.5%

Students from areas with lowest HE participation rate	Provider	Cohort size	First	Upper Second	First class and upper second class honours	Lower Second	Third	Unclassified
	Richard Huish College	35	17.1%	57.1%	74.3%	22.9%	2.9%	0.0%
	Sixth Form College sector	4620	22.9%	48.1%	71.1%	23.0%	3.5%	2.4%
	State sector	25280	22.4%	48.0%	70.5%	23.1%	3.5%	2.9%
	Independent sector	620	27.7%	52.9%	80.6%	16.5%	1.1%	1.8%

Russell Group	Provider	Cohort size	First	Upper Second	First class and upper second class honours	Lower Second	Third	Unclassified
	Richard Huish College	175	39.2%	53.4%	92.6%	6.8%	0.6%	0.0%
	Sixth Form College sector	11135	31.6%	54.4%	86.0%	11.7%	1.3%	1.0%
	State sector	69375	30.7%	54.3%	85.0%	12.5%	1.4%	1.1%
	Independent sector	18085	34.7%	55.8%	90.6%	8.2%	0.5%	0.7%

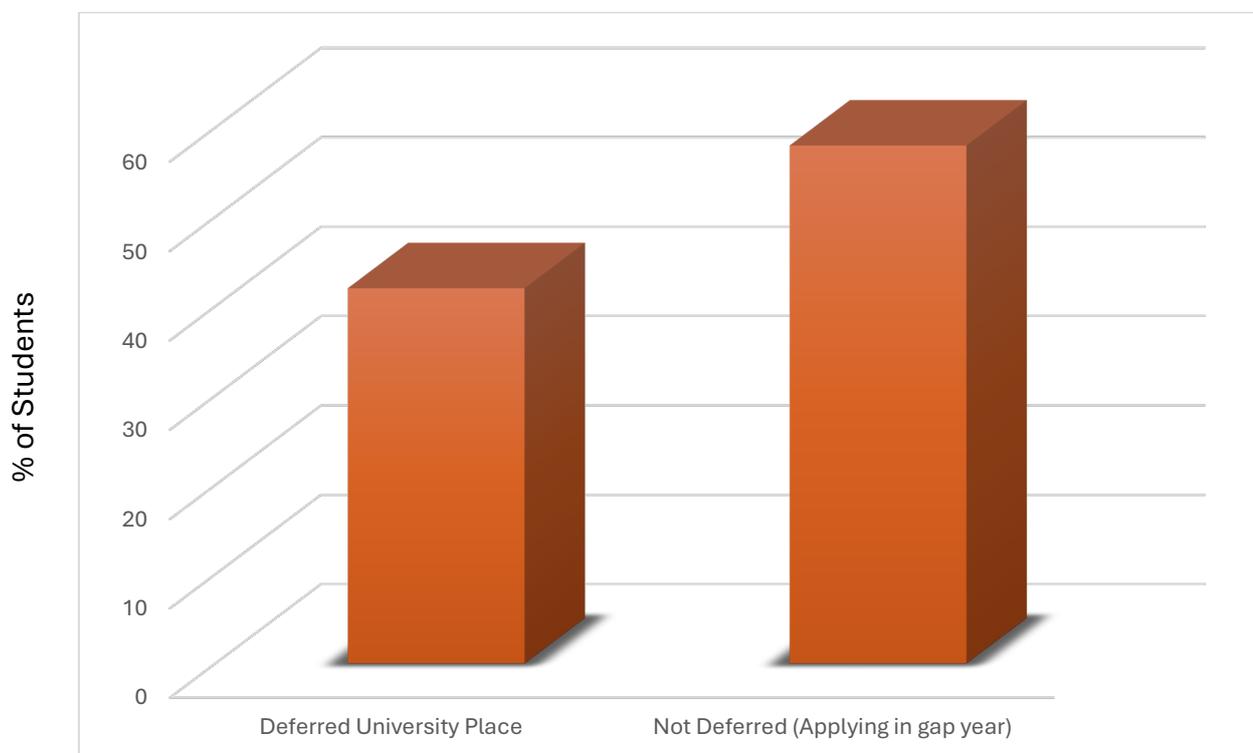
Students whose parents do not have higher education qualifications	Provider	Cohort size	First	Upper Second	First class and upper second class honours	Lower Second	Third	Unclassified
	Richard Huish College	120	32.5%	48.3%	80.8%	15.0%	4.2%	0.0%
	Sixth Form College sector	14555	24.8%	49.3%	74.1%	20.6%	3.2%	2.1%
	State sector	85645	24.2%	49.1%	73.3%	20.7%	2.9%	3.1%
	Independent sector	3495	27.0%	55.3%	82.2%	14.5%	1.4%	1.8%

6) Gap Year

Students who progress to a Gap Year fall into two categories; those who have secured a deferred place at university and those who intend to apply in the Gap Year with grades.

Type of Gap Year	No. of students 2025	% of gap year students 2025*
Deferred University Place	100	42.0
Not Deferred (Applying in gap year)	138	58.0
Total	238	

* Percentages are rounded to 1d.p.



7) Employment by Occupation

Occupation	Number of Students
Administration & Clerical	4
Agriculture	4
Business & Finance	1
Construction	3
Culture, Media & Sports	8
Education	12
Elementary Roles	3
Health & Care	8
Hospitality & Catering	55
Information Technology	1
Leisure, Travel & Personal Services	11
Manufacturing, Installation & Maintenance	13
Protective Services	5
Sales & Customer Service	64
Transport & logistics	7
Total	199

* Percentages are rounded to 1d.p. and data does not include L2 destination (found in L2)

8) Apprenticeship by Occupation

Occupation	Number of Students
Business & Finance	10
Construction	5
Culture, Media & Sports	3
Education	2
Health & Care	1
Hospitality & Catering	1
Manufacturing, Installation & Maintenance	4
Protective Services	4
Sales & Customer Service	2
Science, Engineering & Technology	3
Transport & logistics	2
Total	37

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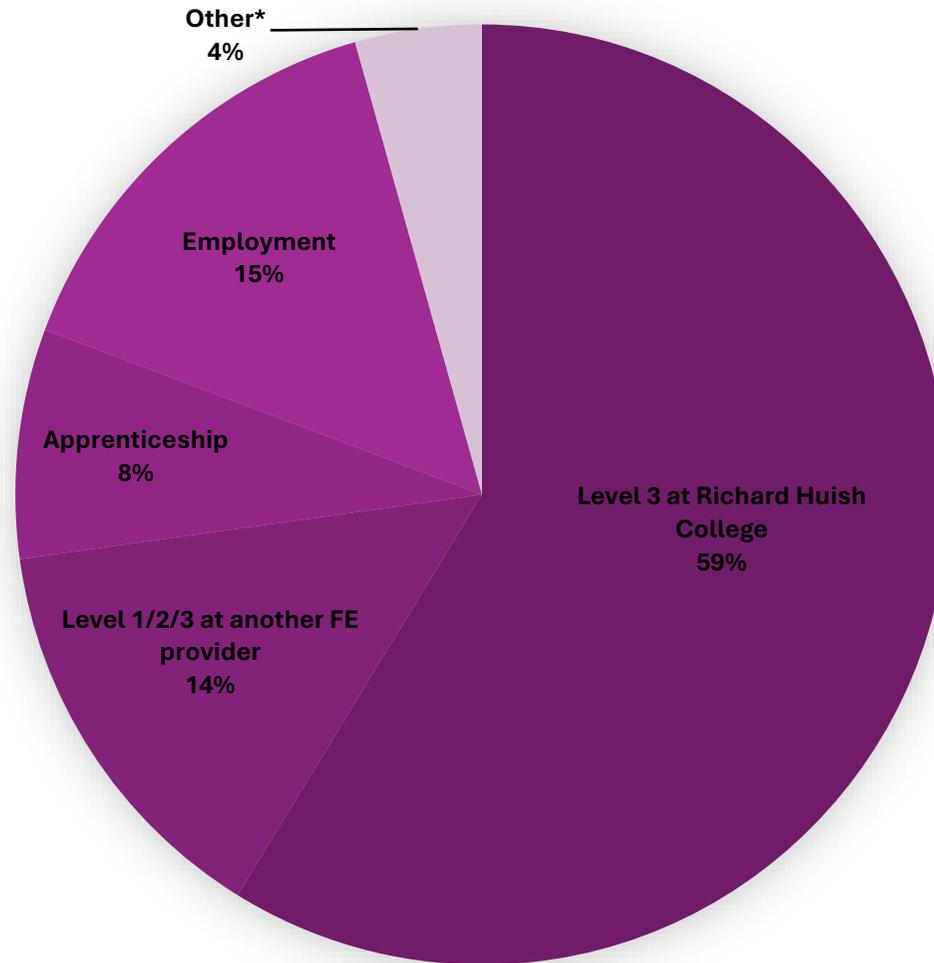
9) Destinations of 2025 Level 2 Leavers

Destination	No. students (2025)	% of students (2025)* ²	No. students (2024)	% of students (2024)* ²	No. students (2023)	% of students (2023)	No. students (2022)	% of students (2022)
Level 3 at Richard Huish College	67	58.8	46	50.0	55	70	14	50
Level 1/2/3 at another FE provider	16	14.0	9	9.8	6	8	5	27.9
Apprenticeship	9	7.9	5	5.4	5	6	3	10.7
Employment	17	14.9	22	23.9	8	10	3	10.7
Traineeship	0	0	1	1.1	0	0	0	1
Voluntary Work	0	0	4	4.3	0	0	0	0
Other*	5	4.4	5	5.4	5	6	10.7	7
Total no. of leavers	114		92		79		28	

* Other includes not known and unemployed.

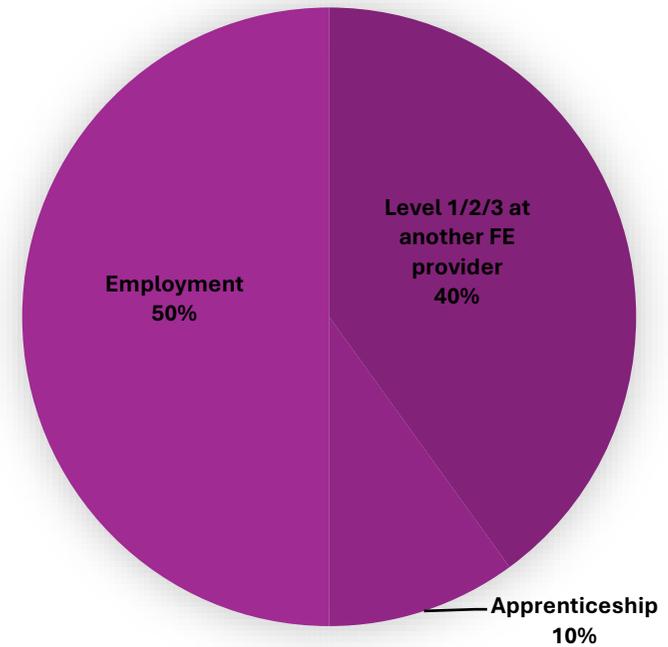
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10) Destinations of 2025 Level 2 Disadvantaged Students

Destination	No. students (2025)	% of students (2025)
Level 3 at Richard Huish College	0	0
Level 1/2/3 at another FE provider	4	40
Apprenticeship	1	10
Employment	5	50
Traineeship	0	0
Voluntary Work	0	0
Other*	0	0
Total no. of leavers	10	



* Other includes not known and unemployed.