

Questionnaire results from Germany

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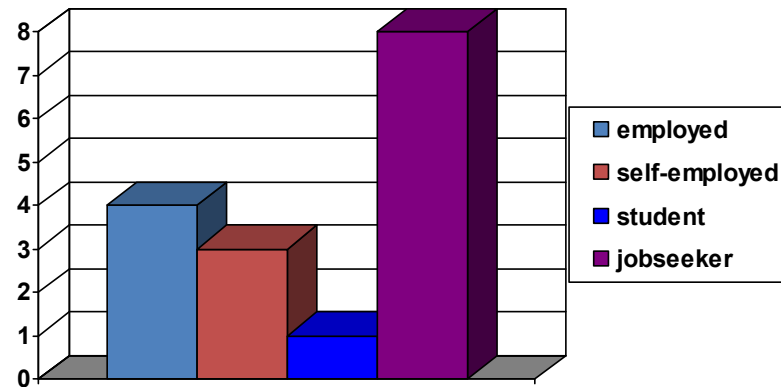
Results from German survey general information

- 16 persons answered the questionnaire
- 8 men, 8 women
- Average age:
 - 56% are between 26 and 35 years old;
 - 19% are older than 45 years;
 - 19% are between 18 and 25 years old;
 - 6% are between 36 and 45 years old
- Educational Level:
 - 37,5% have a basic and 62,5% a higher school leaving certificate;
 - 56% have a university degree

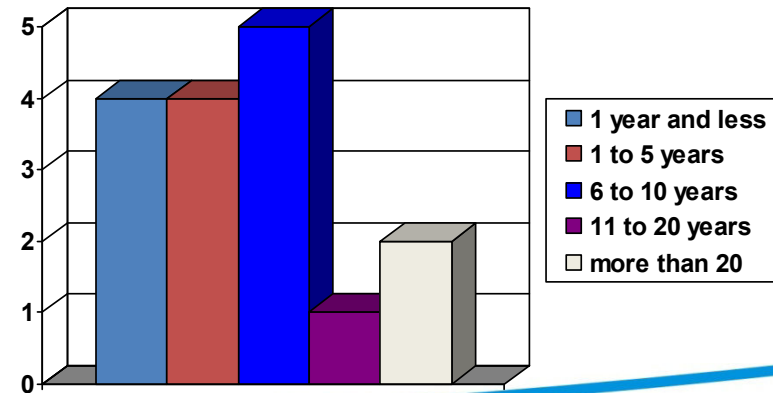
Results from German survey employment status

Employment Status

- 50% are jobseekers
- 25% are employed



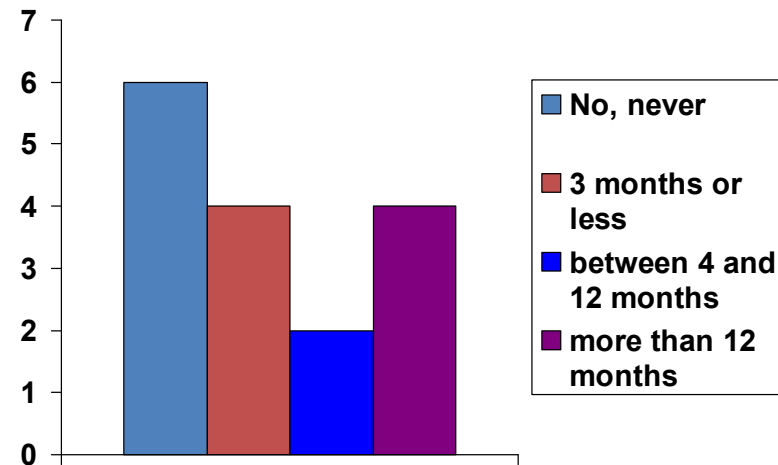
How long, in total, have you
been in employment?



Results from German survey working abroad

6. Have you ever worked abroad?

- 37,5% never
- 25% more than 12 months and less than 3 months



7. Have you considered seeking employment abroad?

44% I'm thinking about it, but I have not made a decision yet

37,5% I've decided to go abroad to look for a job

18,5% Other, please explain: „My husband found a job and I will join him.“

„ I will go to the place where I will find a job.“

Results from German survey favourite countries

Our top ten of yountries as a place to work and live in:

1. Switzerland and Italy (each 4x)
2. USA (3x)
3. France, Spain, Austria, Turkey, New Zealand, Sweden, Netherlands, Australia, Canada (each 2x)
4. Singapore, Ghana, Finland, Denmark, Poland, Thailand

Results from German survey favourite countries

9. Why is it about these countries that appeal to you?

7 x Economic status

7 x Climate

6 x Family/friends already living/working there

6 x Other: cultural possibilities, landscape, music, literature, art

“I would work everywhere, just want to find a job.”

“I already know the language” “I'm interested in a new country”

“close to Germany” “educational system (Scandinavia)”

3 x Better working conditions

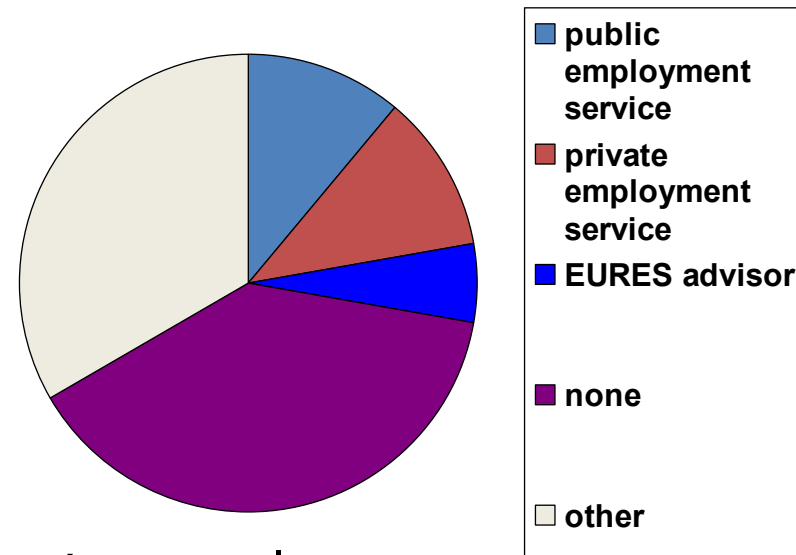
1 x Potential for employment



Results from German survey support

10. What support agencies did you contact, especially for finding a job, when you first decided to move abroad?

- 44% none
- 12,5% private employment service and 12,5% public employment service
- 6% EURES advisor
- 37,5 % other: internet, DAAD, directly prospective employers



No significant differences among jobseekers

Results from German survey reasons for emigrating

11. Why do you want to work abroad?

50% I would like to learn a foreign language/further my education

37,5% I would like to learn about a new culture and for sightseeing

25% I'm not able to find any job in my home country

31% I would like to gain new professional experience/qualifications

19% I would like to join my family/friends

19% Other, please specify: "climate", "good experience", "job offer"

6% The level of wages in my home country is too low

Results from German survey job possibilities

12. What job are you hoping to secure abroad?

12% Doesn't matter, any job will do

6% I don't know

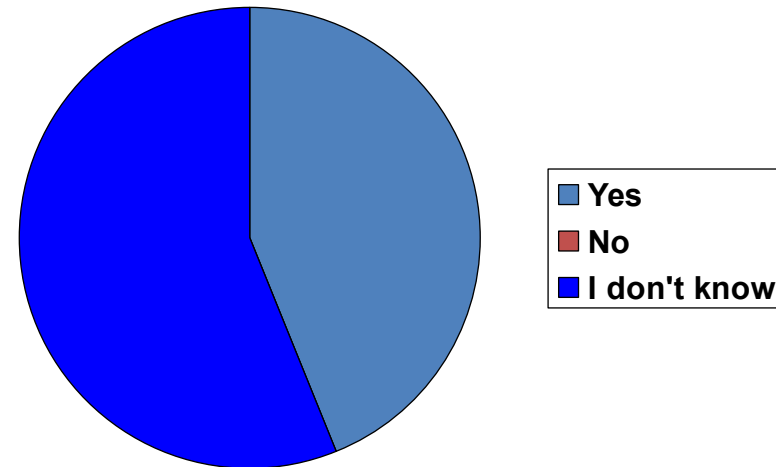
82% wrote down a specific job:

Marketing, scientific assistant, gardening, journalist, child care worker, software development manager, engineering, service, web-design, secretary

Results from German survey job possibilities

**13. Are you going to work
abroad in accordance with
your qualifications?**

- 56% don't know yet
- 44% YES



Results from German survey resources

14. What resources are you using to look for a job abroad?

- 65,5% Internet searches: google, job portals (62,5%)
- 44% Job advertisements in local press (37,5%)
- 25% I'm counting on help from my friends/family (12,5%)
- 25% Local labour office (25%)
- 19% Private employment agencies (12,5%)
- 19% Other: private contacts, DAAD, prospective employers (12,5%)
- 12,5% I do not know (12,5%)
- 6% EURES adviser (0%)

Results from German survey preparations

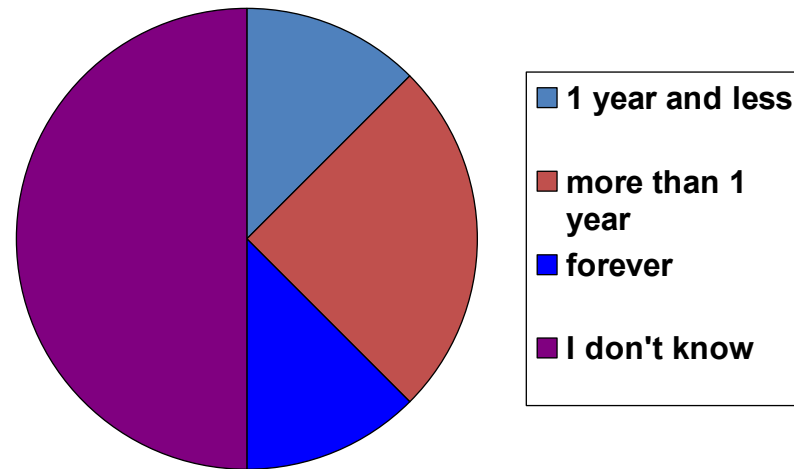
15. Which preparatory actions are you taking before you move abroad?

- 50% Foreign Language acquisition (50%)
- 44% Liaising with family/friends who are already there (50%)
- 37,5% CV Preparation (37,5%)
- 31% Applying for a visa/work permit (25%)
- 19% I don't know (12,5%)
- 19% Other: "everything that is necessary", "legal formalities" (25%)
- 12,5% Additional training (0%)
- 6% Interview Skills – Career Coaching sessions

Results from German survey duration of staying abroad

16. How long are you intending to stay abroad?

- 50% I don't know
- 25% more than 1 year
- 12,5% one year and less
- 12,5% I'm not going to come back to my home country



Results from German survey possible concerns

17. Do you have any concerns regarding moving abroad?

- 62,5% No (75%)
- 37,5% (25%) Yes, please give more details:
 - finding a job
 - **managing everything as a single mother**
 - home sickness, language and culture, financial problems, that everything goes wrong even if I'm prepared well
 - lack of language skills, therefore problems in everyday life, finding friends
 - **contact to family and friends in Germany**

Results from German survey additional support

18. What additional supports do you feel you need for an efficient transition to your host country?

- knowledge about social security system, taxes,...
- talking with other people who already emigrated, support from my family, assistance during the preparation
- Not to be alone
- Learning the language
- Finding a flat
- interim allowance (Überbrückungsgeld) or general financial support
- knowledge about the labour market and application process, language and culture

Thank you!

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