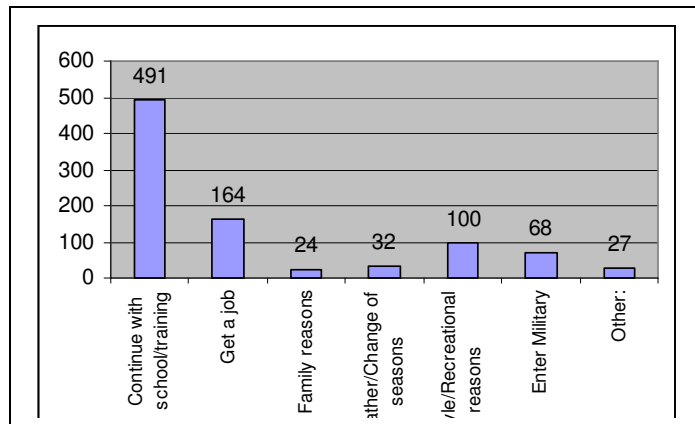


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1A). Complete this section if you left or are planning to leave the surrounding area upon completion of high school or community college.

Why did you or why are you planning to leave your area? (Check all that apply.)

Continue with school/training	491	54%
Get a job	164	18%
Family reasons	24	3%
Weather/Change of seasons	32	4%
Lifestyle/Recreational reasons	100	11%
Enter Military	68	8%
Other:	27	3%
15	Get Away/Moving	
1	Parents	
2	Travel	
2	Opportunities	
2	Play sports	
1	Cosmetology	
3	Be with significant Other	

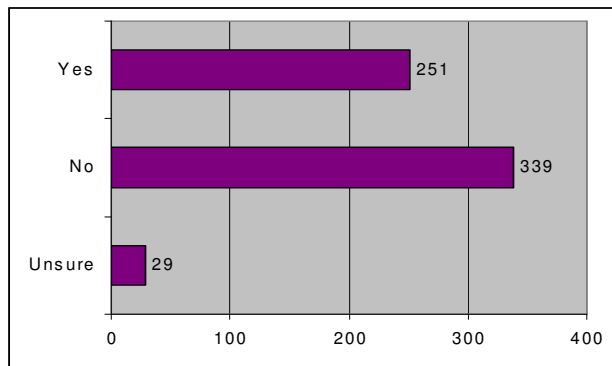


Where did you go, or where do you think you will go? Why?

1	Band Tour	2	Inexpensive
2	Somewhere close	2	Civil Engineering
3	back to hometown	2	agriculture
3	4-year	3	More Cultures
4	College	4	Weather
23	unsure	7	Scenery
23	Military	7	job
24	Larger City	10	get away
29	Moving out of state	23	More Opportunities
168	College Out of state		
295	IL college		

Do you plan to move back to this area to live if you are able?

Unsure	29	5%
No	339	55%
Yes	251	41%



If yes, why?

3	see changes
3	financially
3	Nowhere to go right now
13	Find or have a job
30	Nice town/small community
73	Like the area/Love it here
77	Family, Friends

If no, why not?

2	Just to visit
3	Drug Problems
4	Maybe for retirement
7	Weather
30	Boring/nothing to do
	Try new things/see other
38	places
43	Move to city/different area

- 62 Don't want to/don't like area
- 79 Not enough opportunities

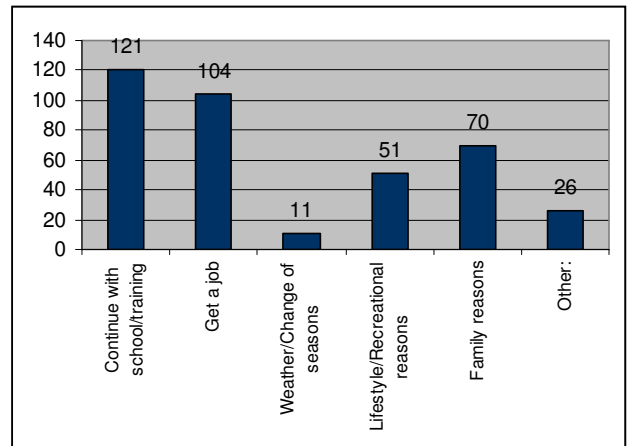
Please identify the kinds of jobs that you would like to have available in the area.

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| 81 Manufacturing | 165 Health Care |
| 59 Warehousing/Distribution | 69 Office/Clerical |
| 88 Service/Retail | 79 Tourism/Hospitality |
| 126 Education | 51 Information system |
| 150 Other | |
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| 1 Science | 3 Sports Related |
| 1 Higher Political | 3 Ag |
| 1 Pilot | 3 Theatre |
| 1 electrician | 3 Advertising/Marketing |
| 1 Broadcasting | 3 Videogame Design |
| 1 Lawn care | 3 Shopping/dining |
| 1 art therapy | 3 Physical therapist |
| 1 Operator | 4 Construction |
| 1 Welding | 4 Beautician |
| 1 Fashion Design | 5 Journalism |
| 2 Production | 5 psychology/social work |
| 2 Ministry | 6 Medical Fields |
| 2 Entertainment | 7 Veterinarian related |
| 2 Lab/Research | 7 conservation/Wildlife mgmt |
| 2 Architecture | 8 Business/Accounting |
| 2 Nuclear Weapons Physicist | 8 Engineering |
| 2 Childcare/foster care | 10 Mechanic/Automotive |
| 2 historian | 15 Criminal Justice |
| 2 Fire Fighting | 18 computer related |
| 2 Culinary Arts | |

1B). Complete this section if you stayed or are planning to stay in the surrounding area upon completing high school/ community college.

Why did you or why are you planning to remain in the area? (Check all that apply.)

Continue with school/training	121	32%
Get a job	104	27%
Weather/Change of seasons	11	3%
Lifestyle/Recreational reasons	51	13%
Family reasons	70	18%
Other:	26	7%



- 1** Don't plan on staying long
- 1** Church
- 1** Hobbies
- 2** Family/Friends reason
- 3** Have a job
- 3** Easier for transportation
- 3** Financial reasons

2). If you were to return to this area or chose to remain here after high school or community college, what continuing education/training would you like to have available?

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| 1 Christian College | 3 Military |
| 1 Doctorate in Chemistry | 3 Music Programs |
| 1 Help Youth | 3 Sports related |
| 1 History | 4 Fashion/interior design |
| 1 Librarian | 4 Fire Fighting Training |
| 1 Manufacturing | 4 Fitness Training |

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| 1 pipe-fitting | 4 Psychology |
| 1 Real Estate | 5 Beauty School |
| 1 Retail | 5 environmental/Ag |
| 1 Social Worker | 7 OJT |
| 1 Student Employment Assistance | 7 Physical Therapy |
| 1 Veterinarian | 8 Art Programs |
| 1 Waitress | 9 trade school |
| 1 welding | 10 Early Childhood Education |
| 2 Advertising/Marketing | 10 Education/Teacher |
| 2 Architecture | 11 Business/Accounting |
| 2 Engineering | 14 Mechanic/Automotive |
| 2 Speech pathology | 15 More Job opportunities |
| 3 Construction | 19 Law related |
| 3 Culinary Arts school | 22 Graphic Design/computer |
| 3 Foreign languages | 23 Community College |
| 3 Journalism/writing | 33 Medical/Healthcare/Nursing |
| | 77 University |

3). Please describe what types of community, recreational or cultural activities you participate in, or have participated in, during the past year. **Please be as specific as possible.**

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| 1 Summer teaching | 19 Youth groups |
| 3 Family/friends | 21 Camping/outdoors |
| 3 Computer related | 25 work |
| 4 games/video game | 26 FFA |
| 5 fundraisers | 34 Out of School hobbies |
| 5 4-H | 35 Church |
| 5 movies | 36 Festivals/concerts |
| 5 shopping | 43 School Clubs |
| 11 YMCA | 49 Music/dance/theatre/band |
| 12 Student Council/Committees | 88 volunteer |
| 16 Academic related | 370 Sports related |

4). Please describe what types of community, recreational or cultural activities you would like to participate in that are **not** readily available. **Please be as specific as possible.**

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| 1 Law Enforcement Activities | 12 Retail/dining |
| 1 Prairie Preservation Team | 12 More culture related activities |
| 1 Mechanic Shop | 13 Outdoor Activities |
| 1 Tractor pulls | 17 Volunteer Programs |
| 1 Buddhist temple | 22 youth activities/YMCA |
| 1 Study Abroad | 23 art/dance/theatre activities |
| 3 Computers/video gaming | 62 Community Sports/sports related |
| 4 movies | |

5). I am a member of:

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| 2 LP Christian School | 64 Putnam County |
| 4 Ohio | 70 Bureau Valley |
| 14 Paw Paw | 71 Ottawa |
| 18 Lamoille | 91 Mendota |
| 47 Hall | 95 Streator |
| 57 Princeton | 111 Dixon |
| 63 St. Bede | |

Graduating class of

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| 2006 | 506 |
| 2007 | 2 |
| 2008 | 6 |
| 2009 | 6 |

6). As we work to build a better area, we would like to keep you informed of our progress. Would you be willing to participate in future surveys like this?

Unsure	24	4%
No	350	54%
Yes	269	42%

