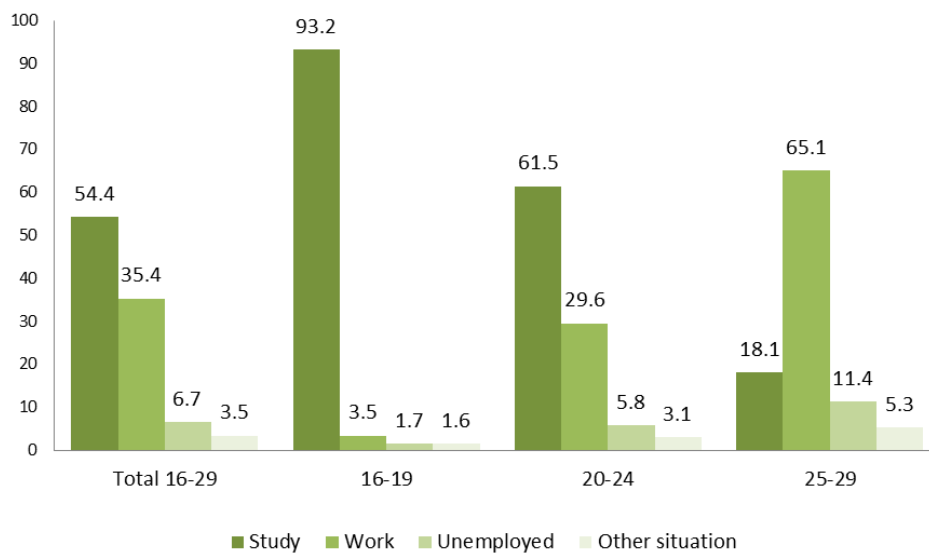


There has been an increase in the number of young people whose main occupation is studying

This is one of the main conclusions of the "[Youth and Employment in the Basque Country 2017](#)" report recently published by the Basque Youth Observatory.

According to the study, a person's main occupation depends largely on age. Under the age of 25, most young people in the Autonomous Community of the Basque Country are studying; between 25 and 29, most are working, although the percentage of unemployed people, people dedicated to housework or caregivers is also higher in this age group than among people under 25.

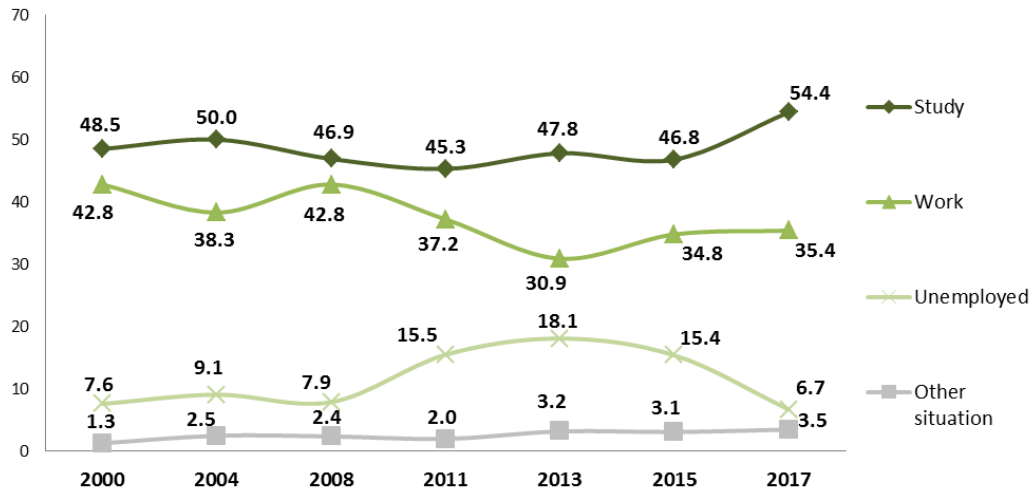
Main occupation of young people aged 16 to 29 in the Autonomous Community of the Basque Country based on age group (%)



Source: Basque Youth Observatory (*Youth and Employment in the Basque Country 2017*)

Compared to previous years, there has been an increase in the percentage of young people aged 16 to 29 whose main occupation is studying. However, the most remarkable fact is the fall in the percentage of unemployed youths when compared to 2013, the year the effects of the economic crisis were most severe.

Evolution of the main occupation of young people aged 16 to 29 in the Autonomous Community of the Basque Country (%)



Source: Basque Youth Observatory (*Youth and Employment in the Basque Country 2017*)

People who have born in the Basque Country display higher employment percentages than people who have born abroad. In addition, the percentage of foreign women who are housewives or caregivers is quite high (13.4%).

On the other hand, among people aged 25 to 29 a higher percentage of those with higher qualifications, whether university studies or high-level vocational training, are employed than those who have only completed their primary or secondary studies (74.6% compared to 51.4%).

These data and many more can be found in the complete study that is available on the [Basque Youth Observatory's website](#).