Indigenous talent is key to Canada’s labour market needs.

The Indigenous population is younger and growing faster than the non-Indigenous population (StatCan, 2021).

- 33.6 average age Indigenous
- 41.8 average age non-Indigenous

65% of Indigenous people are working age (15 to 64)

Indspire launched the National Education Survey to learn about Indigenous student experiences.

This report highlights the impacts of receiving post-secondary financial support on students’ education and employment outcomes.

Survey responses were collected from 6,930 past Building Brighter Futures: Bursaries and Scholarships (BBF) 2016–2022 program recipients.

BBF Students Excel

- 89% program completion rate
- 73% could not have completed program without financial support
- 89% high achievers (A or B GPA)

BBF Grads Succeed

- 88% indicated they are employed
- 83% education prepared them for their jobs
- 72% work impacts Indigenous communities
- 84% work in their fields of study

96% of BBF grads found jobs within one year.

- 49% immediately
- 82% four months
- 96% one year

With greater support, we could do more.

Indspire could only meet 29% of BBF recipients’ financial need.

"A tremendous amount of stress was taken off my back with the support of Indspire. I was able to focus on my studies and able to travel home to see my family. It truly changed the course of my path to be a recipient of this grant."