A growing share of recent college graduates are having to settle for jobs that do not require a college degree, and they are earning far less than their peers as a result.

Employment status of college graduates under age 25

- All college graduates
  - Not working: 22.4%
  - Working in jobs that do not require a college degree: 22.0%
  - Working in jobs that require a college degree: 55.6%

- Computer science/math majors
  - Not working: 10.3%
  - Working in jobs that do not require a college degree: 21.2%
  - Working in jobs that require a college degree: 68.5%

- Humanities majors
  - Not working: 29.4%
  - Working in jobs that do not require a college degree: 25.2%
  - Working in jobs that require a college degree: 45.4%

Median annual income

- College degree required: $26,756
- College degree not required: $15,896

Source: Andrew Sum, Northeastern University