

The UK government's postgraduate scholarship programme for international development

The Commonwealth Scholarship Commission (CSC) offers opportunities for postgraduate study, research, and professional development to citizens from across the Commonwealth.

We **collaborate** with NGOs, national governments and universities across the Commonwealth to deliver **nine scholarship and fellowship programmes** that support **development-focused** masters, doctoral and postdoctoral research and training.

Strategic Objectives:

1. To provide a world-class scholarship scheme that contributes to sustainable development across the Commonwealth.
2. To ensure that our programmes promote equity and inclusion, reward merit, and deliver widespread access, especially to those from disadvantaged backgrounds.
3. To support and encourage cutting-edge research, innovation, and knowledge exchange across the Commonwealth.



CSC Alumni from sub-Saharan Africa, 1960-2018:

The CSC has funded
12,646
Scholarships

Supporting scholars from
22
African countries

6,300+
Masters

2,400+
Doctorates

2,100+
Fellowships

Hosted by
487 UK
Institutions

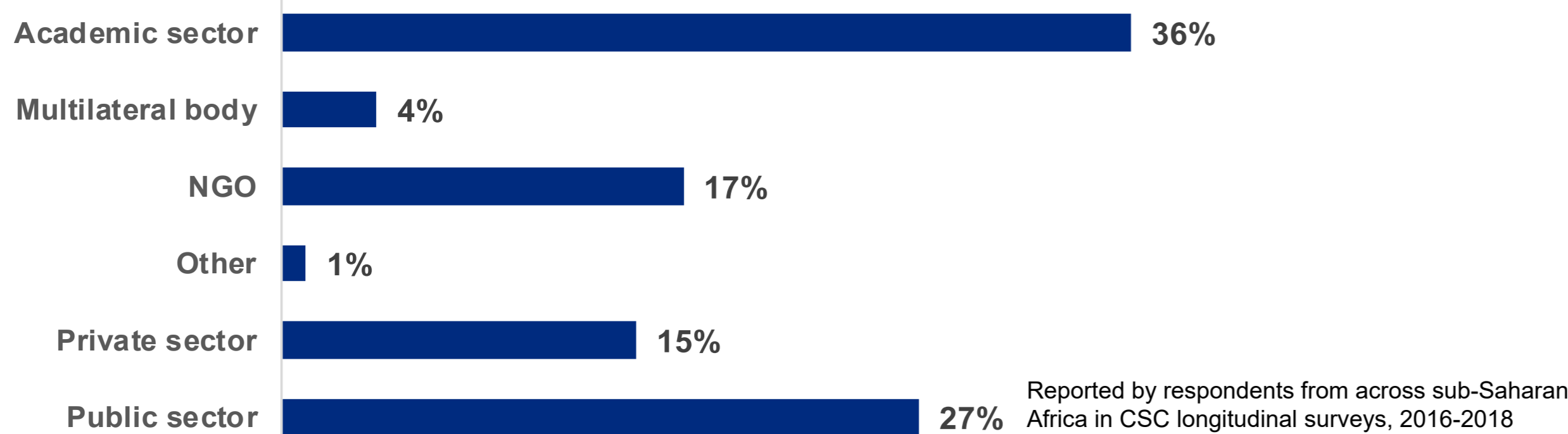
Programme Outcomes amongst sub-Saharan African alumni:

49% trained in STEM subjects, including **400+ Medical Fellows**

1,200 academic staff from **94 African universities** awarded scholarships for doctoral research at **105 UK institutions**

239 PhD students registered at **69 African universities** spent 12 months of their programme at **84 UK institutions**

98% employed and/or studying two years post-award. Employment destinations include:



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Programme Impacts, as reported in evaluation surveys by CSC Alumni across sub-Saharan Africa:

99% report using study skills to teach colleagues something new **96%** have developed new training resources for colleagues

93% have led or designed a new initiative within their workplace **89%** remain in contact with their academic networks in the UK

25% have founded a new company, department, or institute in the last two years **94%** have changed workplace practices as a result of their studies

