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most college graduates since 2019.

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Despite there being firsthand horror stories online from accountants who have been chewed up and spit out by the Big Four meat grinder, those professional services firms are still a desirable place to work for recent college graduates, according to a new employer ranking from the website OnlineU. The website analyzed employment data from more than 550,000 graduates who

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Amazon hired the most recent college graduates (1.31 percent), according to OnlineU, but the mega-online marketplace was followed by the Big Four firms: Deloitte (0.93 percent), EY (0.84 percent), KPMG (0.63 percent), and PwC (0.57 percent).

Rank	Employer	Number of Alumni	Percent
1	Amazon	7,374	1.31%
2	Deloitte	5,256	0.93%
3	Ernst & Young	4,727	0.84%
4	KPMG	3,583	0.63%
5	PricewaterhouseCoopers	3,220	0.57%
6	Accenture	2,947	0.52%
7	Microsoft	2,693	0.48%
8	Freelance	2,435	0.43%
9	JP Morgan Chase Company	2,426	0.43%
10	Lockheed Martin Corporation	2,080	0.37%

Top 25 Companies Hiring Recent College Graduates

Source: Emsi Burning Glass

"The Big Four (Deloitte, EY, KPMG, and PwC) held strong in hiring, building on at least a decade of being some of the largest employers for bachelor's graduates," OnlineU said. "Accounting and consulting firms did suffer during COVID with a continuation of the slowed average revenue growth seen pre-pandemic. At the four largest U.S. accounting firms, however, that still resulted in billions of dollars in revenue in 2020. By the end of 2021, all four had grown revenue above pre-pandemic levels, with Deloitte breaking \$50 billion in global revenue for the first time."

Deloitte was the top employer for economics majors, while EY was the top employer for both management information systems majors and accounting majors, according to OnlineU.

## Accounting

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