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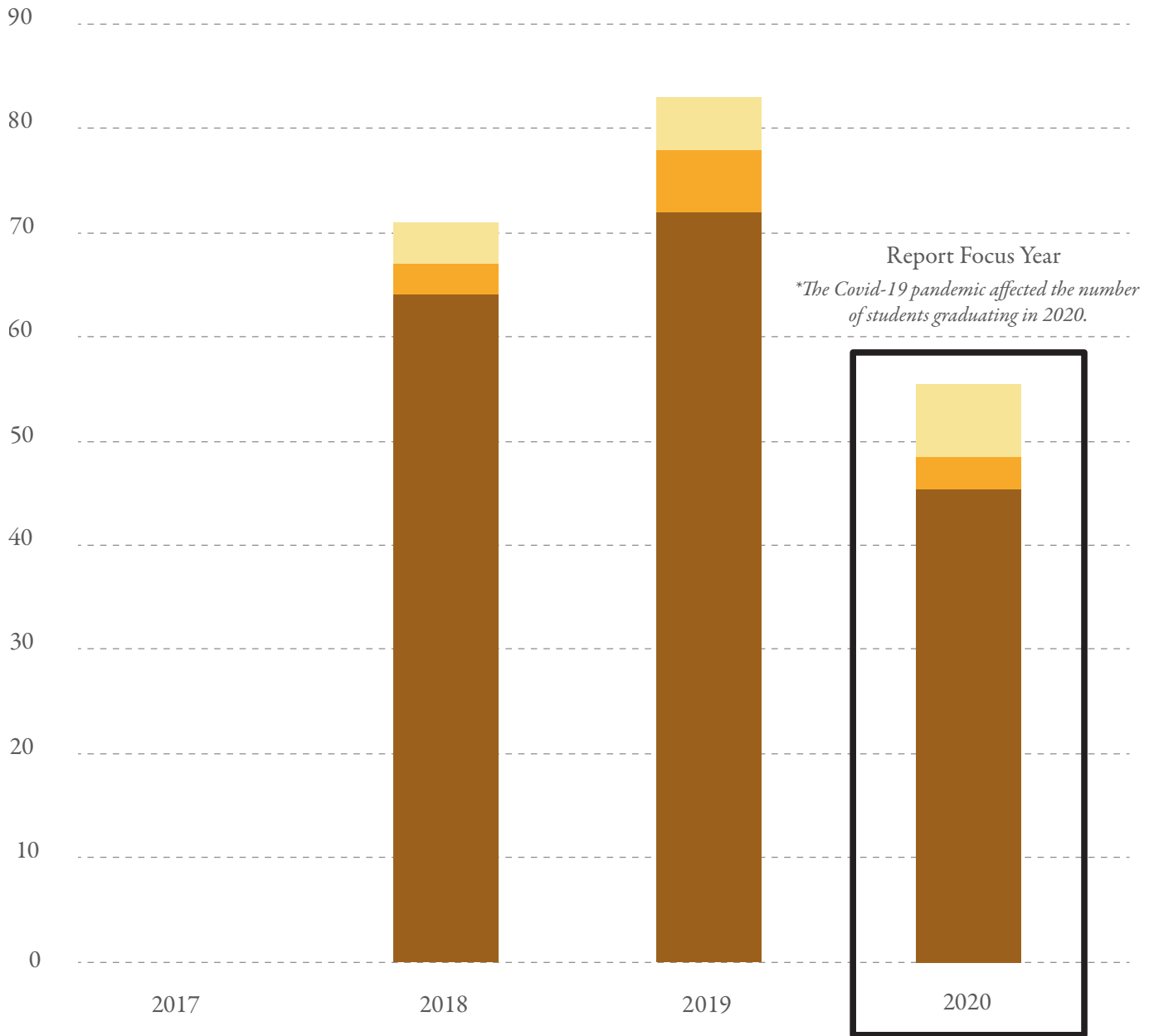
## EMPLOYMENT REPORT

*This report is a overview of the career paths of our recent alumni/ae. While we present multiple years of data, we do not intend for this report to be understood as projecting trends nor suggesting guaranteed outcomes. Instead, we offer it as a way of understanding the types of work members of our community go on to do following graduation.*

# Overview of Graduates

Unlike many professional programs, there is no traditional career trajectory for planners. DUSP students enter the program with diverse backgrounds and interests, and graduates work in almost every conceivable type of organization, in varied capacities.

Whether or not “Planner” is in the job title, DUSP graduates tend to take on interdisciplinary roles and responsibilities, bridging sectors and specialties as they work on innovative and impactful projects across a wide variety of fields. DUSP alum are well represented across all sectors.



Legend

■ Graduates with unknown employment status

■ Graduates pursued further education within 1 year of graduation

■ Graduates employed within 1 yr of graduation

# Employment by Region

\*Note that eight students did not specify which region they were located after graduation.

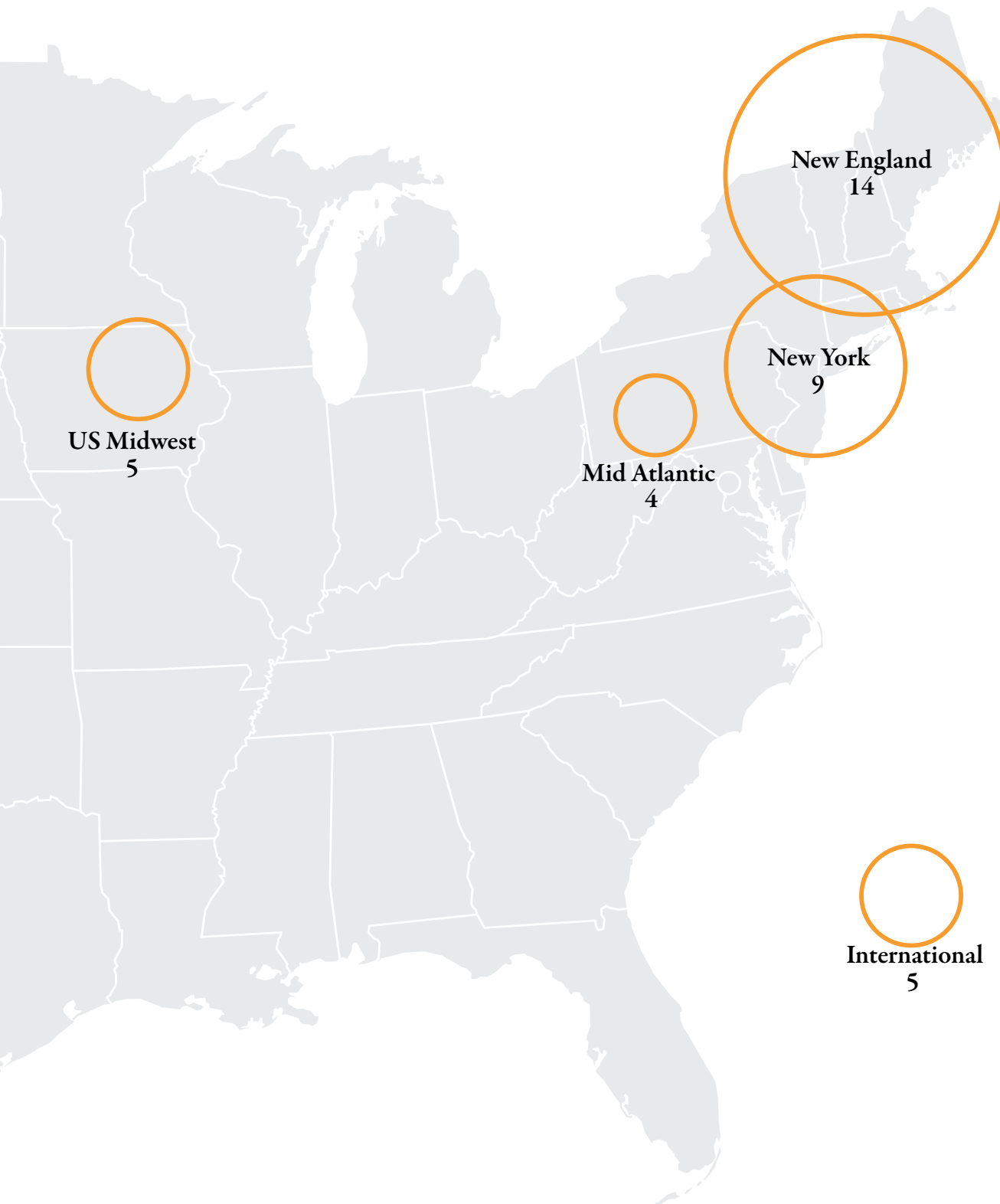


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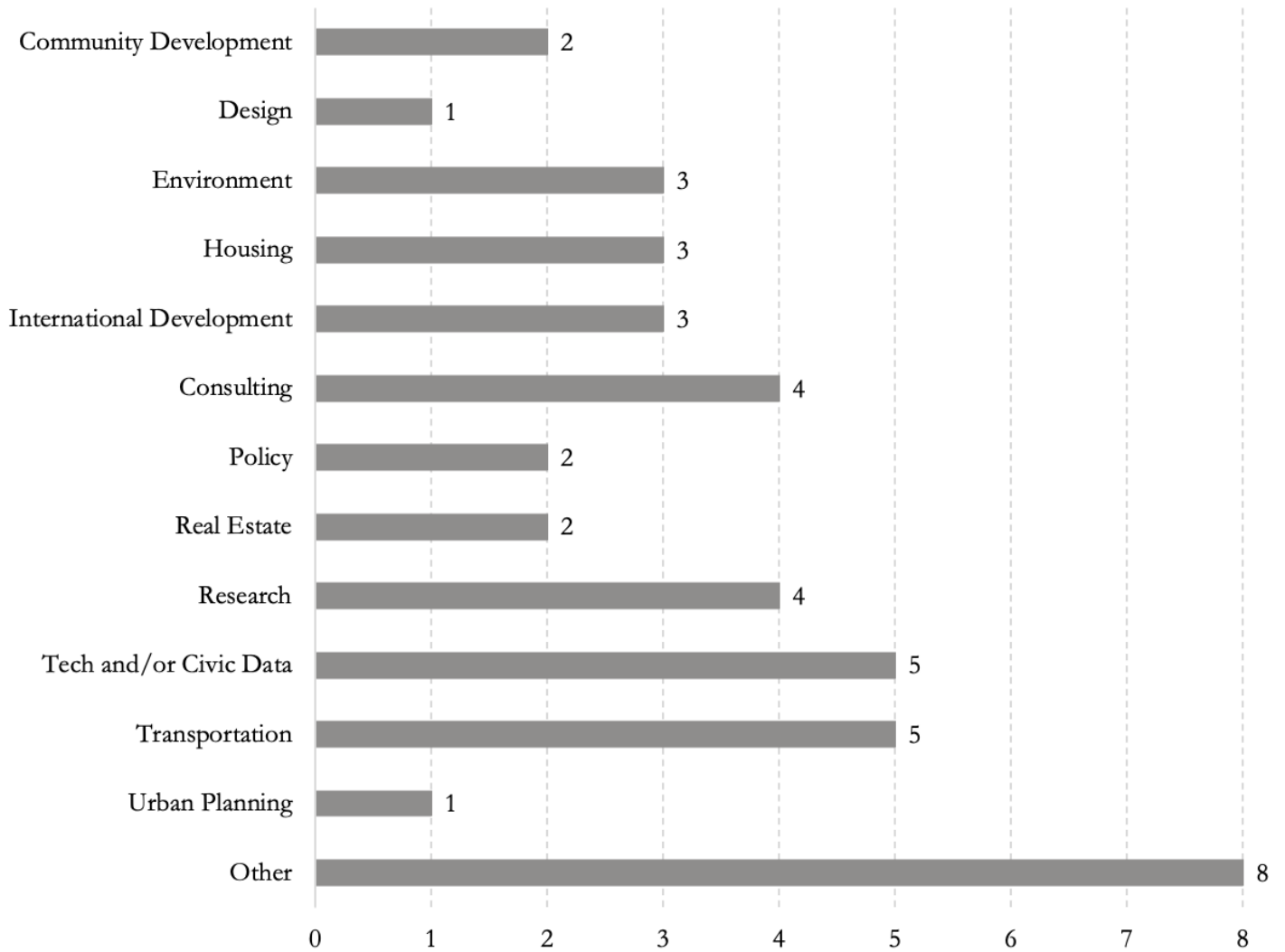
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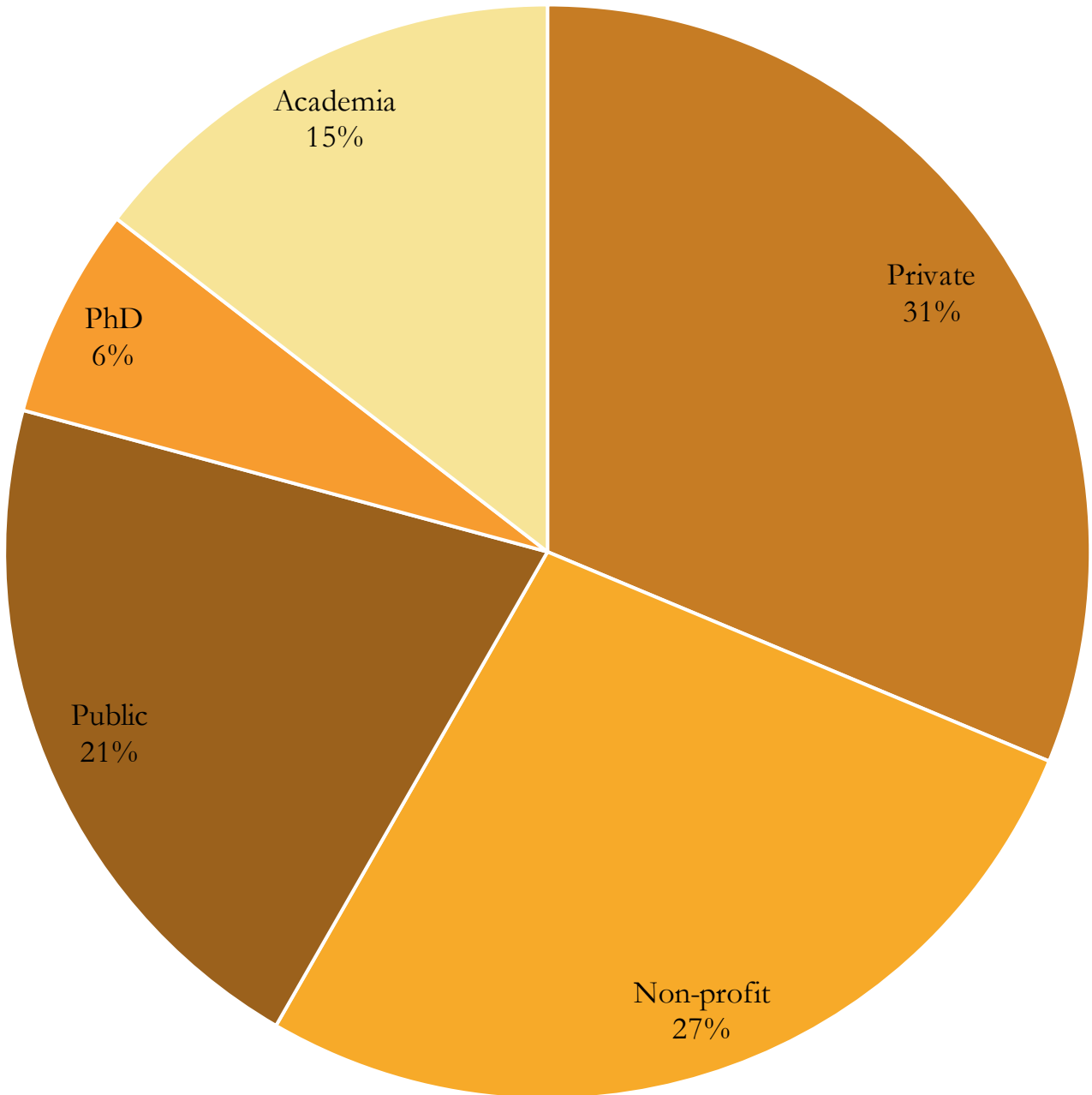




# Employment by Sector

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*Number of Students per Sector*

Private	Non-profit	Public	Phd	Academia
15	13	10	3	7

# Employer List by Sector

## Non-Profit Organizations

- Bronx Cooperative Development Initiative, *Research Associate, Participatory Planning*
- Boston Foundation, *Research Fellow*
- Industrial Economics, Inc, *Consultant*
- Center for Urban Pedagogy, *Community Education Program Manager*
- Asian Americans United, *Program Co-Director*
- UN Habitat - Urban Lab MX, *Intern*
- United Nations Office for Disaster Risk Reduction (UNDRR), *Advisor*
- Institute for Community Health, *Research Associate*
- Mystic River Watershed Association, *Stormwater Infrastructure Consultant*
- BlackSpace Urbanist Collective, *Co-Managing Director*
- TransitMatters, *Transportation Planner*
- Ford Foundation, *Technology Fellow*
- World Bank Group, *Urban Development Consultant*



## Private Firms

- Civix, *Planner*
- Resilient Cities Catalyst, *Associate*
- Fehr & Peers, *Transportation Planner*
- Dimagi, *Project Manager*
- ARUP, *Senior Infrastructure Advisory Consultant*
- Stuart Wallace LLC, *Consultant*
- Eigelberger Architecture and Design, *Senior Project Manager*
- McKenna, *Assistant Planner*
- Kivuli Kenya, *Co-founder*
- Engel & Völkers, *Director of Development Services*
- Apple, *Cartographer*
- Analysis Group, *Analyst Economic Consulting*
- Hines, *Product Lead*
- Afore Capital, *Operations*
- Superpedestrian, *Urban Planner*

# Employer List by Sector

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## Public Agencies

- Cape Cod Commission, *Community Development Planner*
- New York Court of Appeals, *Judicial Law Clerk*
- New York City Housing Development Corporation, *Director of Community Land Trust Initiatives*
- US Dept. of Energy & Environment, *Energy Program Specialist*
- U.S. DOT Volpe National Transportation Systems Center, *Policy Analyst*
- City of Tacoma Park, *Public Administration Specialist*
- California Department of Housing & Community Development, *Housing & Land Use Policy Analyst*
- Boston Medical Center (BMC), *Manager of Housing and Health*
- Central Massachusetts Regional Planning Commission, *Associate Resiliency & Environmental Planner*
- Office of County Judge Lina Hidalgo, *Senior Policy Advisor*

# Employer List by Interest

## Community Development

- Bronx Cooperative Development Initiative, *Research Associate Participatory Planning*
- Cape Cod Commission, *Community Development Planner*

## Design

- Eigelberger Architecture and Design, *Senior Project Manager*

## Environment

- US Dept. of Energy & Environment, *Energy Program Specialist*
- Mystic River Watershed Association, *Stormwater Infrastructure Consultant*
- Central Massachusetts Regional Planning Commission, *Associate Resiliency & Environmental Planner*

## Housing

- New York City Housing Development Corporation, *Director of Community Land Trust Initiatives*
- NYU Furman Center, *Housing Solutions Lab Policy Research Fellow*
- California Department of Housing & Community Development, *Housing & Land Use Policy Analyst*

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## International Development

- UN Habitat - Urban Lab MX, *Intern*
- United Nations Office for Disaster Risk Reduction (UNDRR), *Advisor*
- World Bank Group, *World Bank Group*

## Consulting

- Analysis Group, *Analyst, Economic Consulting*
- Stuart Wallace LLC, *Consultant*
- Industrial Economics, Inc, *Consultant*
- Resilient Cities Catalyst, *Associate*

## Policy

- Institute for Community Health, *Research Associate*
- Office of County Judge Lina Hidalgo, *Senior Policy Advisor*

## Real Estate

- Engel & Völkers, *Director of Development Services*
- Hines, *Product Lead*

## Research

- MIT Covid-19 Racial & Economic Equity Planning & Recovery Clinic, *Policy Researcher*
- The University of Hong Kong, *Senior Research Assistant*
- MIT Urban Risk Lab, *Front End Developer and Research Assistant*
- Harvard Chan School of Public Health Planetary Health Lab, *Research Associate*

## Tech & Civic Data

- Center for Spatial Data Science, *Senior Software Engineer*
- Ford Foundation, *Technology Fellow*
- Apple, *Cartographer*
- City of Tacoma Park, *Public Administration Specialist*
- Dimagi, *Project Manager*

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## Transportation

- Fehr & Peers, *Transportation Planner*
- U.S. DOT Volpe National Transportation Systems Center, *Policy Analyst*
- TransitMatters, *Transportation Planner*
- IBI Group, *Transit Data and Tech Analyst*
- Superpedestrian, *Urban Planner*

## Urban Planning

- Civix, *Planner*

## Other

- Center for Urban Pedagogy, *Community Education Program Manager*
- ARUP, *Senior Infrastructure Advisory Consultant*
- BlackSpace Urbanist Collective, *Co-Managing Director*
- Boston Medical Center (BMC), *Manager of Housing and Health*
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