

OTTAWA SCIENCE POLICY NETWORK'S  
NATIONAL GRADUATE STUDENT FINANCE SURVEY

# FINANCIAL STRUGGLE



## Key Findings

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### FINANCIAL STATUS:

**43%**

of respondents described their financial situation as **"tight"** or **"struggling."**

**<10%**

of graduate students are financially comfortable.

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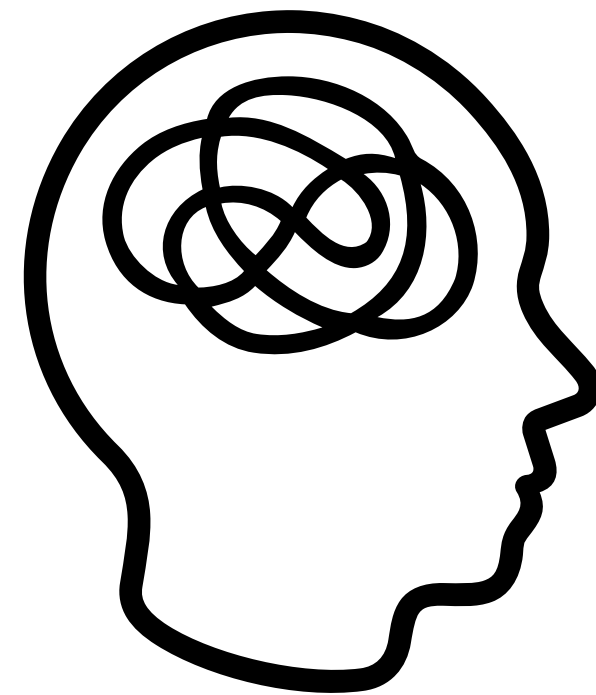
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## FINANCIAL STRESS:

86%

of respondents expressed **stress** and/or **anxiety** regarding finances during their studies.



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**DROP OUT**

**31%**

considered leaving their studies due to financial struggles alone.

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52%

of respondents have less than 3 months of living expenses in savings.

26%

of respondents have 3-6 months of living expenses in savings.