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The objectives of this research are to study the situation of job searching and job status of new graduates in 2006 and analyze the factors affecting the job search duration. Descriptive statistics provided general information, job search, situation and duration, job status of new graduates. Quantitative analysis, applying the Logit Model, analyzed the factors that affected the search duration.

The results show that the characteristic of new graduates who were able to find jobs within 10 weeks were mostly women, graduated from science disciplinary in public universities, with grade point average between 2.50 - 3.00, did not have experience in internship, had joined the extra curriculum activity approximately 6 - 10 times, had average family income more than 45,000 Baht per month, and were originally from Bangkok. In the job search situation, the new graduates started to search for job after graduation, prefer to be in private sector, had a budget for each application of 200 - 500 Baht, had the reservation wage between 15,000 - 20,000 Baht and used the internet as a source of job search. In the job status, the new graduates declined job offers approximately 1 - 3 times before accepting the present job. They accepted job in private sector whose offices are in Bangkok and the suburbs. The salary was between 10,000 - 15,000 Baht per month. The analysis found that the four factors affecting the job search duration were gender, training experience, the reservation wage and the frequency of extra curriculum activity participated.

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