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AGE
(Base:Total)

	<u>Total</u> %	<u>Graduates</u> %	<u>Dropouts</u> %	<u>Discharges</u> %
Under 18	23	14	29	20
18-19	45	41	46	47
20 or older	32	45	25	33
Median	18.1	18.9	17.9	18.1

Almost half of the graduates are at least twenty years old compared with one quarter of the dropouts and one third of the discharges. Although the graduates were in the Job Corps longer than the other groups, the time differential is not as great as the age differential. The graduates, then, are not only older now, but entered the Job Corps older than either the dropouts or the discharges.

Observation: While older than the others and with more education, the graduates were not better off in their employment situation. They were bound to be more frustrated and their interest in and need for the Job Corps stronger.