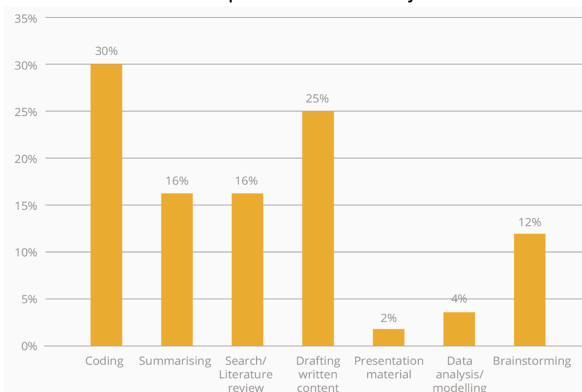


How Are Economists Using AI at Work?

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This poster presents findings from a **multi-method study** investigating how economists are using AI in the workplace. Drawing on a **survey (n=114)** of economics graduates currently in employment, we examine how AI is embedded in their professional activities and how it is reshaping the skills they use day to day. These findings are further enriched by a panel discussion with professional economists.

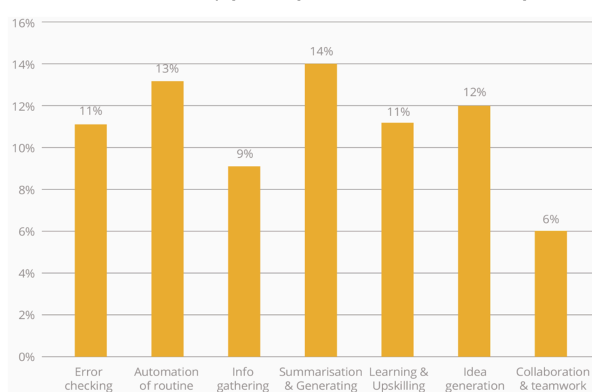
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Analytically narrow (Well defined)

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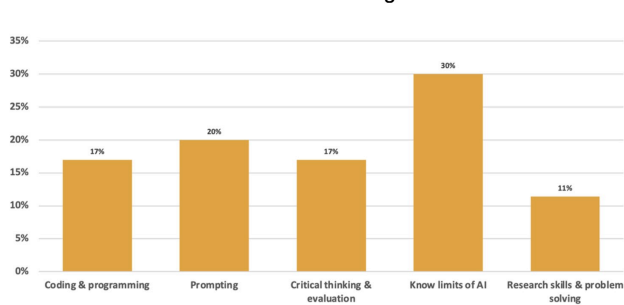
How do AI tools help you do your tasks more effectively?



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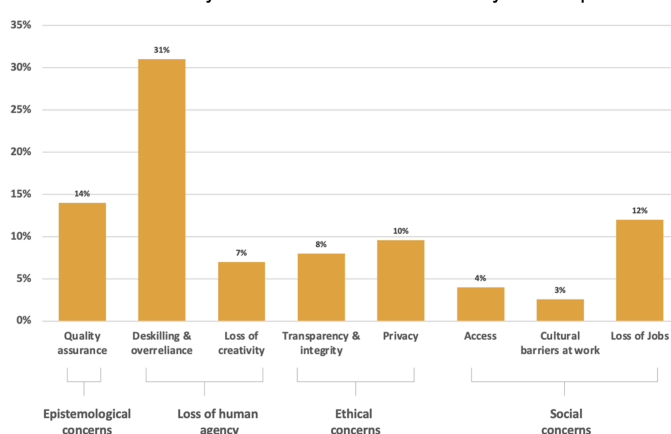
What AI-related skills would new graduates need?



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What concerns do you have about the use of AI in your workplace?



Learn More:

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-Cortinhas et al. (2025), Working Paper 2: How are Economists adapting assessments for a GenAI world?



-Chaudhury et al. (2025), Working Paper 3: Academic Integrity in a GenAI World. A Comparative Review of University Policies in the UK.



Implications for Employability Skills:

-AI is embedded across all layers of economic work; from routine tasks to brainstorming and problem solving. Hence, the need to develop “Layered AI Capabilities”.

-Learning to learn with AI as the essential employability skill.

-Ethical and responsible use of AI as a new soft skill.