Korn Ferry's Global Chief Financial Officers Practice surveyed 222 CFOs on a variety of topics to understand their perspective on the role and the major trends impacting the finance function.

No successor in sight.

80% of CFOs do not feel there is a ready-now successor for their role.
And only 38% believe there is a comprehensive succession plan.
Despite the lack of readiness, 60% of newly appointed CFOs are still sourced internally.

What CFOs spend their time on.

32% Driving Strategy
16% Budgeting & Financial Planning
14% Data and Business Intelligence/Analytics

Most valuable career experience.

Transformation
41% of CFOs said working at a company going through a transformation.

Next move.

65% of CFOs want to be a CEO during their career,
but only 23% state that this is the role they want next.