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## NATIONAL SURVEY OF COLLEGE GRADUATES INSTRUCTIONS

Thank you for taking the time to complete this National Survey of College Graduates questionnaire. Directions for filling it out are provided with each question.

- In order to get comparable data, we will be asking you to refer to the week of February 1, 2023, when answering most questions.
- Follow all appropriate skip instructions after marking a box. If no skip instruction is provided, you should continue to the next question.
- If you have any questions or concerns, please email us at nscg@census.gov or call us toll-free at 1-888-262-5935.

Thank you for your help. We really appreciate it.

## Part A - Employment Situation

A1. During the week of February 1, 2023, were you working for pay or profit?
Working for pay or profit also includes being a student on paid work-study, self-employed and did not get paid that week, on vacation from work, traveling while employed, on personal leave, sick leave, or other temporary leave.

Use an X to mark your answer.
$1 \square \quad$ Yes $\longrightarrow$ Go to question A8
$\square 2$No

A2. (If No) Did you look for work during the four weeks preceding February 1, 2023 - that is, between January $4^{\text {th }}$ and February $1^{\text {st }}$ ?

1Yes
2No

A3. Do any of the following reasons describe why you were not working during the week of February 1, 2023?
Mark Yes or No for each item.

1 Retired


2 On layoff from a job $\qquad$ 1

3 Student $\qquad$ 1


4 Family responsibilities $\qquad$ .1 $\square$

5 Chronic illness or permanent disability $\qquad$ 1 $\square$ $\square$
6 Suitable job not available $\qquad$ 1 $\square$

7 Did not need or want to work $\qquad$ 1

8 Other reason, specify $\qquad$ 1 $\qquad$ 2 $\square$

A4. Prior to the week of February 1, 2023, when did you last work for pay or profit?

0$\leftarrow$ Mark this box if you never worked for pay or profit and then go to page 11, question D1


A5. What was the title of the last job you held prior to the week of February 1, 2023?
Example: Financial Analyst

A6. What kind of work were you doing on your last job - that is, what were your duties and responsibilities? Please be as specific as possible, including any area of specialization.

Examples: Analyzed financial information, prepared technical reports, specialized in asset management.

A7. Using the JOB CATEGORY list on pages 20-21, choose the code that best describes the last job you held prior to the week of February 1, 2023.

Code

$\longrightarrow$ Go to page 8, question A42
Note: Job category codes range from 010 to 500

A8. Although you were working during the week of February 1, had you previously retired from any position?

Examples of retirement include voluntary retirement, early retirement, or mandatory retirement.


2No

## Principal Employer

A9. During the week of February 1, 2023, what was the name and address of your principal employer?
If you had more than one job, report the one for which you worked the most hours that week.
If your employer had more than one location, report the location that employed you.
If you worked for a contracting or consulting company, report the name of that company, not the client organization.

Employer Name

Department/Division

City


A10. What was that employer's main business or industry - that is, what did that employer make or do?

If your principal employer had more than one type of business, report the type of business primarily performed at the location where you worked.

Example: Production of microprocessor chips
Employer's main business
$\qquad$
A11. Counting all locations where this employer operates, how many people work for your principal employer? Your best estimate is fine.
Mark one answer.10 or fewer employees
2


11-24 employees
3
25-99 employees

4
100-499 employees
5500-999 employees
61,000-4,999 employees
7
5,000-24,999 employees
825,000 or more employees

A12. Was your principal employer established as a new business within the past 5 years?
$1 \square$
Yes
2
No

A13. Which one of the following best describes your principal employer during the week of February 1, 2023?
Mark one answer.
SELF-EMPLOYED or a BUSINESS OWNER
$\square \quad$ Non-incorporated business, professional practice, or farm
$2 \square \quad$ Incorporated business, professional practice, or farm

PRIVATE SECTOR employeeFor-profit company or organization
Non-profit organization (including tax-exempt and charitable organizations)

GOVERNMENT employee
$5 \square$
Local government (e.g., city, county,
school district)
6 $\square$
State government (including state

- colleges/universities)U.S. military service, active duty, or Commissioned Corps (e.g., USPHS, NOAA)
$8 \square$ U.S. Federal Government (e.g., civilian employee)
$9 \quad \square$ ANOTHER type of employee, specify $z$

A14. Was your principal employer an educational institution?


A15. (If Yes) What type of educational institution was it? Mark one answer.

Preschool, elementary, middle, or secondary school or system

2Two-year college, community college, or technical institute

3
Four-year college or university, other than a medical schoolMedical school (including university-affiliated hospital or medical center)
5University-affiliated research institute
6Other, specify $\quad$ Z

## Principal Job

A16. During the week of February 1, 2023, what was the title of the principal job you held?
Example: Financial Analyst
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A17. What kind of work were you doing on this job that is, what were your duties and responsibilities on your principal job? Please be as specific as possible, including any area of specialization.
Examples: Analyzed financial information, prepared technical reports, specialized in asset management.

A18. Using the JOB CATEGORY list on pages 20-21, choose the code that best describes the principal job you held during the week of February 1, 2023.

Code


Note: Job category codes range from 010 to 500
A19. Did your duties on this job require the technical expertise of a bachelor's degree or higher in...
Mark Yes or No for each item.

1 Engineering, computer science, math, or the natural sciences. $\qquad$ 1

2 The social sciences $\qquad$ 1

3 Some other field (e.g., health, business, or education), specify z..

A20. When did you start the principal job you held during the week of February 1, 2023?

Principal job started


A21. To what extent was your work on your principal job related to your highest degree?
Mark one answer.


Not related

A22. (If Not related) Did any of the following factors influence your decision to work in an area outside the field of your highest degree?
Mark Yes or No for each item.

1 Pay, promotion opportunities $\qquad$ .1


2 Working conditions (e.g., hours, equipment, working environment)..

3 Job location $\qquad$ .. 1


4 Change in career or professional interests $\qquad$ 1


5 Family-related reasons (e.g., children, spouse's job moved) $\qquad$ .1 $\square$
6 Job in highest degree field not available. $\qquad$ .. ${ }^{1}$


7 Some other factor, specify $\qquad$ .1


A23. Which two factors in question A22 were your most important reasons for working in an area outside the field of your highest degree?
Enter number of appropriate reason from question A22.


A24. The next question is about your work activities on your principal job. Which of the following work activities occupied at least 10 percent of your time during a typical work week on this job?
Mark Yes or No for each item.

1 Accounting, finance, contracts $\qquad$ $\begin{array}{cc}\text { Yes } & \text { No } \\ \downarrow & \downarrow \\ \square & \\ \square & \square\end{array}$

2 Basic research - study directed toward gaining scientific knowledge primarily for its own sake. $\qquad$ .${ }^{1}$ $\square$ 2

3 Applied research - study directed toward gaining scientific knowledge to meet a recognized need $\qquad$ ${ }^{1}$ $\square$ 2

4 Development - using knowledge gained from research for the production of materials, devices $\qquad$ 1

$\square$

5 Design of equipment, processes, structures, models. $\qquad$ 1


6 Computer programming, systems or applications development $\qquad$ 1
 2

7 Human resources - including recruiting, personnel development, 1


2 training $\qquad$ Managing or supervising people or projects. $\qquad$ 1 $\square$ $\square$

9 Production, operations, maintenance (e.g., chip production, operating lab equipment). $\qquad$ 1 $\square$ 2

10 Professional services (e.g., health care, counseling, financial services, legal services). $\qquad$ $1 \square$


11 Sales, purchasing, marketing, customer service, public relations .


12 Quality or productivity management 1


13 Teaching $\qquad$ 1

14 Other activity, specify $\qquad$ .1
 2

A25. On which two activities in question A24 did you work the most hours during a typical week on this job?
Enter number of appropriate activity from question A24.


Activity most hours

2


Activity second most hours
(Enter " 0 " if no second most)

A26. As part of the principal job you held during the week of February 1, 2023, did you supervise the work of others?
Mark "Yes" if you recommended or initiated personnel actions such as hiring, firing, evaluating, or promoting others.
Teachers: Do not count students.


A27. (If Yes) How many people did you typically...
1 Supervise directly? .........................
2 (If none, enter "0")

| Supervise indirectly through |
| :--- |
| subordinate supervisors? .......... |
| (If none, enter " 0 ") |

A28. Thinking about the principal job you held during the week of February 1, 2023, how would you rate your satisfaction with the following aspects of the job?
Mark one answer for each item.


A29. How would you rate your overall satisfaction with this job?
Mark one answer.
$1 \square$ Very satisfied
2
Somewhat satisfied

3Somewhat dissatisfied
4
Very dissatisfied

A30. As of the week of February 1, 2023, what was your basic annual salary on your principal job, before deductions?
Do not include bonuses, overtime, or additional compensation for summertime teaching or research. If you are not salaried, please estimate your earned income, excluding business expenses.


Annual salary or earned income
A31. Was this salary based on a 52 -week year, or less than that?
Include paid vacation and sick leave.
Teachers - please report the number of weeks in your contract year.


A32. During a typical week on your principal job, how many hours did you work?

Number of hours worked per week


If fewer than 35 hours, go to question A33.
If $\mathbf{3 5}$ or more hours, go to question A35.
A33. (If fewer than 35 hours) Did you want to work 35 or more hours per week on your principal job?
$1 \square$
Yes
2No

A34. Why did you usually work fewer than 35 hours?
Mark Yes or No for each item.

1 Previously retired or semi-retired. $\qquad$


2 Student $\qquad$ 1 $\square$
3 Family responsibilities $\qquad$ 1
4 Full-time job not available $\qquad$ 1 $\qquad$
$\square$
5 Hours or work reduced $\qquad$ .1 $\square$

6 Held more than one job .................... 1 $\square$

7 Did not need or want to work more hours $\qquad$ 1
8 Other reason, specify $\qquad$ 12

A35. Thinking of your principal job during the week of February 1, 2023, which of the following benefits were available to you, even if you chose not to take them?
Mark Yes or No for each item.

1 Health insurance that was at least partially paid by your employer. $\qquad$ .1


2 A pension plan or a retirement plan to which your employer contributed ..

3 A profit-sharing plan $\qquad$ 1
4 Paid vacation, sick, or personal days.


A36. Thinking of your principal job during the week of February 1, 2023, which of the following best describes whether you were allowed or required to telecommute or work remotely?
Mark one answer.


A37. How often did you typically telecommute or work remotely?
Mark one answer.
$1 \square$ Occasionally, but not consistently
$2 \square$ Consistently 1-2 days per week
3 $\square$ Consistently 3-4 days per weekConsistently 5 or more days per week

A38. Thinking back now to 2022, was any of your work during that year supported by contracts or grants from the U.S. Federal Government?
Federal employees: Please answer "No."
Mark one answer.
$\begin{array}{lll} & \square & \text { Did not work in } 2022 \longrightarrow \\ 0 & \square & \text { Yes } \\ \text { Go to page 8, } \\ \text { question A41 }\end{array}$

A39. (If Yes) Which U.S. Federal Government agencies or departments were supporting your work?
Mark all that apply.
$1 \square$ Department of Defense (DOD)
2Department of Education

3Department of Energy (DOE)
4National Institutes of Health (NIH)
Department of Health and Human Services (except NIH)National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA)
$7 \square$
National Science Foundation (NSF)
8Other, specify z

9Don't know source agency

A40. Think of all the jobs you held in 2022. What was your total earned income for that year, before deductions?
Include all wages, salaries, bonuses, overtime, commissions, consulting fees, net income from businesses, summertime teaching or research, or other work associated with scholarships.
Do not include any Social Security, dividends, interest, pensions, gambling winnings, royalties, unemployment insurance, spouse's earnings, alimony received or child support received.


Total 2022 earned income

## Certifications and Licenses

A41. As of February 1, 2023, did you have any active professional certifications or state or industry licenses?
A professional certification or license shows you are qualified to perform a specific job. Only include certifications or licenses obtained by an individual. Some examples include teaching license, professional engineer license, electrician license, Project
Management certification, IT certification, etc.
Do not include licenses needed by a business to operate.
 Yes
$2 \square$ No $\longrightarrow$ Go to page 10, question B1

A42. (If Yes) How many active certifications or licenses did you have?
If you earned a certification in order to get a license, count each certification and license separately. Count all certifications or licenses that were active, not just those needed for your principal job.

Number $\square$
A43. Thinking of all the active certifications and licenses you had on February 1, 2023, did you get any of them for work-related reasons?


A44. (If Yes) What is the name of the certification or license that you most recently earned or renewed?
If you earned a certification as part of getting a license, provide the name of the license. Do not use abbreviations.
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A45. When were you first issued the certification or license that you reported in question A44?
If you have renewed this certification or license, please enter the year you first earned it.

Year


A46. What is the primary subject or field of study for this certification or license?

Examples include teaching, vocational nursing, civil engineering, project management, or computer network administration.

A47. Who issued this certification or license?
Mark one answer.

1City or county government agency
(e.g., County Electrical Licensing Board, County Department of Land Use)

2State government agency (e.g., State Board of Education or other state board)
3
Federal government agency (e.g., OSHA, FAA)

4


Professional or trade association (e.g., American Society for Civil Engineers, Pediatric Nursing Certification Board, National Exercise and Sports Trainers Association, CompTIA)
$5 \square$
Business or company (e.g., Microsoft ${ }^{T M}$, 3M Company ${ }^{\text {TM }}$, Xerox ®)

6 $\qquad$ College or university
7Other group or organization, specify $z$
$\qquad$

A48. On February 1, 2023, why did you hold this certification or license?
Mark Yes or No for each item.

1 To improve skills or knowledge in my current occupational field $\qquad$ 1


2 To increase opportunities for promotion or advancement in my current occupational field $\qquad$ ${ }^{1}$ $\square$ 2

3 To facilitate a change to a different occupational field $\qquad$ .${ }^{1}$2

4 Required by law $\qquad$ 1 $\square$ 2
5 Required or expected by employer.. 1 $\square$ 2
6 To start my own business. $\qquad$ 1 $\square$ 2

7 Other reason, specify $\qquad$ 1 $\qquad$ 2

A49. Do you have to earn continuing education units (CEUs) or other professional development credits to maintain this certification or license?
1Yes
2No

A50. Were any of your costs for this certification or license paid for by an employer?
$1 \square$Yes
2No

A51. Is this certification or license for the principal job you held during the week of February 1, 2023?
If you were not working, please answer "No."
$1 \square$Yes
2No
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Part B - Past Employment

The next several questions ask about your employment two years ago (during the week of February 1, 2021) and your employment during the week of February 1, 2023.

B1. Were you working for pay or profit during both the week of February 1, 2021, and the week of February 1, 2023?

$\square$ Yes
No $\longrightarrow$ Go to question C1
B2. (If Yes) During these two time periods - the week of February 1, 2021, and the week of February 1, 2023 - were you working for...
Mark one answer.
 Same employer and
in same type of job
$\longrightarrow$ Go to question C1


Same employer but in different type of job
Different employer but in same type of job
Different employer and in different type of job

B3. (If Different) Why did you change your employer or your job?
Mark Yes or No for each item.

1 Pay, promotion opportunities $\qquad$ 1


2 Working conditions (e.g., hours, equipment, working environment).. 12

3 Job location $\qquad$ 1 $\qquad$ 2 $\square$

4 Change in career or professional interests $\qquad$ 1$2 \square$

5 Family-related reasons (e.g., children, spouse's job moved) $\qquad$ 12

6 School-related reasons (e.g., returned to school, completed a degree) $\qquad$ .${ }^{1}$
 2

7 Laid off or job terminated (includes company closings, mergers, buyouts, grant or contract ended) $\qquad$ 1


8 Retired $\qquad$ .1
 $2 \square$

9 Some other reason, specify Z $\qquad$ 1


## Part C - Other Work-Related Experiences

C1. During the past $\mathbf{1 2}$ months, did you take any work-related training, such as workshops or seminars?

Include conferences or professional meetings only if you attended a training session at the conference or meeting.

Do not include college coursework for which you were enrolled in a degree program.

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\(\square\)
        Yes
    2 \square No\longrightarrow Go to page 11, question C4
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C2. (If Yes) For which of the following reasons did you take work-related training during the past 12 months?
Mark Yes or No for each item.

1 To improve skills or knowledge in my current occupational field


2 To increase opportunities for promotion or advancement in my current occupational field $\qquad$ $1 \square$

3 For licensure or certification in my current occupational field $\qquad$ $1 \square$

4 To facilitate a change to a different occupational field $\qquad$ 1

5 Required or expected by employer.. 1
6 For leisure or personal interest........ 1
7 Other reason, specify $Z$ $\qquad$ .1

$\qquad$

C3. What was your most important reason from question $\mathbf{C} 2$ for taking training?
Enter number of appropriate reason from question C2.

Most important reason $\square$

C4. To how many regional, national, or international professional societies or associations do you currently belong?

If none, enter "0."

Number


C5. During the past 12 months, did you attend any professional conferences or professional society or association meetings?
Include regional, national, or international meetings that you attended either in person or remotely.
$1 \quad$ Yes, I attended in person or remotely
2No

C6. When thinking about a job, how important is each of the following factors to you?
Mark one answer for each item.


## Part D - Education Background

D1. When did you receive your high school diploma or high school equivalency certificate?
Year $\square \square$

0Did not finish high school

D2. In what U.S. state, U.S. territory, or foreign country did you last attend high school?
State/Territory

Or
Foreign Country
$\qquad$

D3. Have you ever taken courses at a community college?
 Yes
$2 \square$ No $\longrightarrow$ Go to page 12, question D7

D4. (If Yes) During which of the following time periods did you take courses at a community college?
Mark Yes or No for each item.
1 Before graduating from high school or earning a high school equivalency certificate


2 After high school and before ever enrolling in a 4-year college or university $\qquad$ 1 $\square$ 2 $\square$

3 While enrolled in a 4-year college or university and before receiving my first bachelor's degree $\qquad$ 1


4 After leaving a 4-year college or university without receiving my first bachelor's degree. $\qquad$ 1 $\square$  $\square$

5 Any time after receiving my first bachelor's degree $\qquad$ 12

D5. Thinking back to the time(s) you attended community college, for which of the following reasons did you take community college courses?

Mark Yes or No for each item.

1 To earn college credits while still attending high school. $\qquad$ 1


2 To complete an associate degree. .. 1 $\qquad$ 2

3 To prepare for college/increase chance of acceptance to a 4-year college or university. $\qquad$ 1 $\qquad$ 2

4 To earn credits for a bachelor's degree $\qquad$ 1


5 For financial reasons (e.g., cost of a 4-year school) $\qquad$ .1 $\square$ 2

6 To gain further skills or knowledge in my academic or occupational field $\qquad$ 1 $\square$ 2

7 To facilitate a change in my academic or occupational field. $\qquad$ 12

8 To increase opportunities for promotion, advancement, or higher salary. $\qquad$ 1 $\square$ 2

9 For leisure or personal interest $\qquad$ 1 $\square$ 2

10 Other reason, specify $\qquad$ 1 $\qquad$ 2

D6. Which two reasons in question D5 were your most important reasons for taking community college courses?

Enter number of appropriate reason from question D5.


Most important reason


Second most important reason (Enter " 0 " if no second reason)

D7. Do you have an associate degree?
$1 \square$ Yes
2No $\longrightarrow$ Go to question D9

D8. (If Yes) From which academic institution did you receive your associate degree?
School Name
$\qquad$
Department
$\qquad$
City
$\qquad$
State/Foreign Country
$\qquad$

D9. Do you have a degree at the bachelor's level or higher?
$\square 1$Yes
2No $\longrightarrow$ Go to page 16, question E1
D10. (If Yes) Prior to February 1, 2023, how many degrees did you receive at the bachelor's level or higher?
Number $\square$

D11. The next few questions ask about the degrees you received before February 1, 2023. Starting with your most recent college or university degree, please provide the following information for each degree you have at the bachelor's level or higher. If you have more than three degrees, report your two most recent degrees and your first bachelor's degree.

## MOST RECENT DEGREE

a. From which academic institution did you receive your most recent degree?

College or University Name

Department


City

State/Foreign Country
b. When was this degree awarded?

c. What type of degree did you receive? Mark one answer.

1


Bachelor's degree (e.g., BS, BA, AB)
2Master's degree (e.g., MS, MA, MBA)

3Doctorate (e.g., PhD, DSc, EdD)
4Other professional degree (e.g., JD, LLB, MD, DDS, DVM), specify

5Other degree, specify
d. What was the major field of study and second major (if any) for this degree? Major Field of Study
$\qquad$
Second Major
e. Using the FIELD OF STUDY list on pages 22-23, choose the code that best describes the major field of study and second major (if any) for this degree.
Code for Major Field of Study


Code for Second Major
$\square \square$

## SECOND MOST RECENT DEGREE

a. From which academic institution did you receive your second most recent degree?

College or University Name

Department


State/Foreign Country
b. When was this degree awarded?

Month
c. What type of degree did you receive? Mark one answer.
$1 \square$ Bachelor's degree (e.g., BS, BA, AB)
$2 \square$ Master's degree (e.g., MS, MA, MBA)

3Doctorate (e.g., PhD, DSc, EdD)
4


Other professional degree (e.g., JD, LLB, MD, DDS, DVM), specify

5Other degree, specify $Z$
d. What was the major field of study and second major (if any) for this degree? Major Field of Study

Second Major
e. Using the FIELD OF STUDY list on pages 22-23, choose the code that best describes the major field of study and second major (if any) for this degree.
Code for Major Field of Study


Code for Second Major


## FIRST BACHELOR'S DEGREE (if not already reported)

a. From which academic institution did you receive your first bachelor's degree, if not already reported on this page? College or University Name

Department

## City

State/Foreign Country
b. When was this degree awarded?

c. What type of degree did you receive? Mark one answer.Bachelor's degree (e.g., $B S, B A, A B$ )
2Master's degree (e.g., MS, MA, MBA)

3 Doctorate (e.g., PhD, DSc, EdD)

4 Other professional degree (e.g., JD, LLB, MD, DDS, DVM), specify

5Other degree, specify $z$
d. What was the major field of study and second major (if any) for this degree? Major Field of Study

Second Major
e. Using the FIELD OF STUDY list on pages 22-23, choose the code that best describes the major field of study and second major (if any) for this degree.
Code for Major Field of Study


Code for Second Major


## D12. Think of all the undergraduate or graduate degrees you completed before February 1, 2023. How did you

 finance them?When answering this question, please consider the financing for the cost of tuition, room and board, fees, books, and supplies. If you have more than one undergraduate or graduate degree, please report the financing for all of the degrees earned.
Mark all that apply in each column.
Undergraduate Graduate
1 Did not earn a degree at this level $\qquad$ .. 1

2 Financial assistance from parents, spouse, other relatives, not to be repaid.
3 Financial assistance from my employer. $\qquad$
4 Financial assistance from the Veterans Educational
4 Financial assistance from the Veterans Educational
Assistance Act (i.e., the G.I. Bill)...........................
$\qquad$
$\qquad$
$\qquad$
$\qquad$
$\qquad$
$\qquad$ .. 2

5 Loans from parents or other relatives, to be repaid.
6 Loans from the school I attended, banks, federal or state government. $\qquad$
$\qquad$
7 Scholarships, tuition waivers, fellowships, or grants . $\qquad$
$\qquad$
. 3

8 Assistantships or work study......................................................................................... 8
9 Earnings from employment. $\qquad$ .. 9
$\qquad$
10
11 Other undergraduate, graduate, specify z $\qquad$ .. 11 Undergraduate

$\square$
$\square$
$\square$$3 \square$ $\square$
$\qquad$
D13. The next question asks about the total amount you have borrowed to finance undergraduate and graduate degrees you completed before February 1, 2023, and how much you still owed as of February 1, 2023. Include the cost of tuition, room and board, fees, books, and supplies if they were part of the amount borrowed. If you have more than one undergraduate or graduate degree, please report the financing for all of the degrees earned. Mark one answer in each of the four columns below.

| Completed Undergraduate |  |
| :---: | :---: |
| Degrees |  |

Completed Graduate Degrees
$\begin{array}{cc}\text { Total Amount } \\ \text { Borrowed } & \begin{array}{c}\text { Amount Still Owed } \\ \text { as of Feb. 1, } 2023\end{array}\end{array}$




D14. During the week of February 1, 2023, were you enrolled in or taking courses at a college or university?

1Yes

2No $\longrightarrow$ Go to page 16, question E1

D15. (If Yes) Were you taking courses or enrolled as...
Mark one answer.
1A full-time student in a degree program
2A part-time student in a degree program

3Not enrolled in a degree program, but taking courses

D16. Toward what degree were you working? If you were working toward more than one degree, mark the level for the highest degree.
Mark one answer.
0No specific degree $\longrightarrow$ Go to question D19


Bachelor's degree (e.g., $B S, B A, A B$ )
Master's degree (e.g., MS, MA, MBA)
Doctorate (e.g., PhD, DSc, EdD)
$4 \square$
Other professional degree (e.g., JD, LLB,
MD, DDS, DVM), specify z

5Other degree, specify $マ$
$\qquad$

D17. What was the primary field of study for this degree?
Primary field of study

D18. Using the FIELD OF STUDY list on pages 22-23, choose the code that best describes the field of study for this degree.

Code


Note: Field of study codes range from 601 to 995

D19. For which of the following reasons were you taking courses or enrolled?
Mark Yes or No for each item.

1 To gain further education before beginning a career


2 To prepare for graduate school or further education $\qquad$ .12


3 To change my academic or occupational field $\qquad$ .${ }^{1}$

$\qquad$
4 To gain further skills or knowledge in my academic or occupational field $\qquad$ .1


5 For licensure or certification. $\qquad$ 1


6 To increase opportunities for promotion, advancement, or higher salary. $\qquad$ 1
 2


7 Required or expected by employer.. 1

8 For leisure or personal interest........ 1 $1 \square$

9 Some other reason, specify $\qquad$ .1

$\square$

D20. Were any of your school-related costs for taking courses paid for by an employer?

1Yes
2No

## Part E - Demographic Information

E1. On February 1, 2023, what was your marital status?
Mark one answer.


E2. (If Married or Living in a marriage-like relationship) During the week of February 1, 2023, was your spouse or partner working?


E3. (If Yes) Did your spouse's or partner's duties on his or her job require the technical expertise of a bachelor's degree or higher in...
Mark Yes or No for each item.

1 Engineering, computer science, math, or the natural sciences


2 The social sciences $\qquad$ 1
 2

3 Some other field (e.g., health, business, or education), specify 1
 2$\square$

E4. As of the week of February 1, 2023, did you have any children living with you as part of your family?

Only count children who lived with you at least 50 percent of the time.

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1
\(\square\) Yes
2
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```No \(\longrightarrow\) Go to question E6
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E5. (If Yes) How many children did you have living with you as part of your family in each of the following age categories?
If no children in a category, enter "0."
1 Under age 2 ...........................................

E6. What is the highest level of education completed by your parents or guardians?
Mark one item for each parent or guardian.


E7. On February 1, 2023, where were you living?
Mark one answer.
$1 \square$ United States or Puerto Rico
$2 \square$ Another U.S. territory
3Another country

E8. On February 1, 2023, were you a...

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\(1 \quad\) U.S. citizen
\(2 \square\)
Non-U.S. citizen \(\longrightarrow\) Go to question E10
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E9. (If U.S. citizen) Were you a U.S. citizen...
Mark one answer.
$1 \square$
Born in the United States, Puerto Rico, Guam, the U.S. Virgin Islands, or Northern Marianas

Go to
$\rightarrow$ page 18, question E17
2
Born abroad of a
U.S. citizen parent $\qquad$
$3 \quad \square$
By naturalization $\longrightarrow$ Go to question E13

E10. (If Non-U.S. citizen) On February 1, 2023, what kind of U.S. Resident Visa did you hold?
$1 \square$
Permanent U.S. Resident Visa (Green Card)
$\begin{array}{ccc} & \text { Year } \\ \text { Obtained in } \rightarrow \sim \rightarrow\end{array} \begin{gathered}\text { Go to } \\ \text { question } \\ \text { E12 }\end{gathered}$

## $\square 2$ <br> Temporary U.S. Resident Visa

E11. (If a Temporary U.S. Resident Visa Holder) Why were you issued the visa you held on February 1, 2023?
Mark one answer.


For temporary work (e.g., H-1B, L-1A,
L-1B, etc.)
2For study or training (e.g., F-1, J-1, H-3, etc.)
I was a dependent of another person
(e.g., F-2, H-4, J-2, K-2, L-2, etc.)

4For some other reason, specify z

E12. (If Non-U.S. citizen) Of which country are you a citizen?

Country

E13. When did you first come to the United States for six months or longer?

Year


E14. What kind of visa did you hold when you first came to the United States for six months or longer?

Mark one answer.
$1 \quad \square \quad$ Permanent U.S. Resident Visa (Green Card)

2Temporary U.S. Resident Visa for temporary work (e.g., H-1B, L-1A, L-1B, etc.)

3 Temporary U.S. Resident Visa for study or training (e.g., F-1, J-1, H-3, etc.)

4Temporary U.S. Resident Visa as the dependent of another person (e.g., F-2, H-4, J-2, K-2, L-2, etc.)

5Other Temporary U.S. Resident Visa, specify z
$\qquad$

E15. Which factors were important in your decision to first come to the United States for six months or longer?
Mark Yes or No for each item.

1 Family-related reasons $\qquad$ 1


2 Educational opportunities in the United States $\qquad$ .. ${ }^{1}$


3 Job or economic opportunities $\qquad$ 1


4 Scientific or professional infrastructure in my field. $\qquad$ 1


5 It was not my decision..................... 1


6 Some other reason, specify $\qquad$ .1

E16. Which two factors in question E15 were the most important reasons in your decision to come to the United States?
Enter number of appropriate reason from question E15 above.
 Most important reason

2


Second most important reason (Enter "0" if no second reason)

E17. Are you a citizen of more than one country?
$1 \square$
Yes
2 $\square$ No

E18. In what U.S. state, U.S. territory, or foreign country were you born?
State/Territory

Or
Foreign Country

E19. What sex were you assigned at birth, on your original birth certificate?

1


Male
2Female
E20. How do you currently describe yourself? Mark all that apply.

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1 }\square\mathrm{ Male
2
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```Female
3
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```Transgender
4
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```I use a different term
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E21. Are you of Hispanic, Latino, or Spanish origin? Mark all that apply.No, not of Hispanic, Latino, or Spanish origin
1Yes, Mexican, Mexican American, or Chicano
2Yes, Puerto Rican

3Yes, Cuban
Yes, another Hispanic, Latino, or Spanish origin, specify $\quad$ マ

E22. What is your race? Mark all that apply.

| 1 | $\square$ | White |
| ---: | :--- | :--- |
| 2 | $\square$ | Black or African American |
| 3 | $\square$ | American Indian or Alaska Native |
| 4 | $\square$ | Asian Indian |
| 5 | $\square$ | Chinese |
| 6 | $\square$ | Filipino |
| 7 | $\square$ | Japanese |
| 8 | $\square$ | Korean |
| 9 | $\square$ | Vietnamese |
| 10 | $\square$ | Other Asian |
| 11 | $\square$ | Native Hawaiian |
| 12 | $\square$ | Chamorro |
| 13 | $\square$ | Samoan |
| 14 | $\square$ | Other Pacific Islander |

E23. What is your birthdate?


E24. Have you ever served on active duty in the U.S. Armed Forces, including the Reserve Forces or National Guard?
Mark one answer.
$0 \quad \square \quad$ Never served in the military $\longrightarrow \begin{gathered}\text { Go to page 19, } \\ \text { question E26 }\end{gathered}$Only on active duty for $\qquad$ Go to page 19, training in the Reserves $\longrightarrow$ question E26
or National Guard
2Now on active duty

3On active duty in the past, but not now

E25. When did you serve on active duty in the U.S. Armed Forces?

Mark each period in which you served, even if just for part of the period.
Mark all that apply.
1September 2001 or later

2August 1990 to August 2001 (including Persian Gulf War)

3May 1975 to July 1990
4August 1964 to April 1975 (Vietnam era)

5July 1964 or earlier

E26. The next several questions are designed to help us better understand the career paths of individuals with specific functional limitations.

What is the usual degree of difficulty you have with...
Mark one answer for each item.

1 SEEING words or letters in ordinary newsprint (with glasses/contact lenses, if you usually wear them). $\qquad$


2 HEARING what is normally said in conversation with another person (with a hearing aid, if you usually use one). $\qquad$ .${ }^{1}$

3 WALKING without human or mechanical assistance or using stairs $\qquad$ .

 LIFTING or carrying someth
such as a bag of groceries thing as heavy as 10 pounds, $\qquad$ .1


5 CONCENTRATING, REMEMBERING, or MAKING DECISIONS because of a physical, mental, or emotional condition $\qquad$ .. ${ }^{1}$2 $\square$4 $\square$ 5

E27. 0 $\square$ $\longleftarrow$ Mark this box if you answered "None" to all the activities in question E26, and go to question E29.

E28. What is the earliest age at which you first began experiencing any difficulties in any of these areas?


E29. Because we are interested in how education and employment change over time, we may be contacting you in 2025. To help us contact you, please list phone numbers and an email address where you can be reached.

$\square \quad$ I consent to receive text messages for follow-up purposes only.

Email Address

## JOB CATEGORY

If you cannot find the code that best describes your job, use the "Other" code under the most appropriate broad category. If none of the codes fit your job, use Code 500.

| - Biological/Life Scientists | $\begin{aligned} & 021 \\ & 022 \\ & 023 \\ & 024 \end{aligned}$ | Agricultural and food scientists Biochemists and biophysicists Biological scientists (e.g., botanists, ecologists, zoologists) Conservation scientists and foresters | $\begin{aligned} & 025 \\ & 026 \\ & 027 \end{aligned}$ | Medical scientists (excluding practitioners) <br> Technologists and technicians in the biological/life sciences Other life scientists |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| - Clerical/Administrative Support Occupations | $\begin{aligned} & 031 \\ & 032 \end{aligned}$ | Bookkeeping, accounting, and auditing clerks Secretaries and administrative assistants, and receptionists | 033 | Other office and administrative support workers |
| - Clergy/Other Religious Workers | 040 | Clergy and other religious workers |  |  |
| - Computer Occupations Also consider 173 Operations research analysts, including modeling | $* * *$ 051 052 053 054 055 | Computer engineers - also consider 087 Computer engineers - hardware Computer and information research scientists Computer network architect Computer programmers (business, scientific, process control) <br> Computer support specialists Computer system analysts | $\begin{aligned} & 056 \\ & 057 \\ & 058 \\ & 059 \\ & 060 \\ & 061 \\ & 061 \end{aligned}$ | Database administrators Information security analysts Network and computer systems administrators Software developers - applications and systems software Web developers Other computer and information science occupations |
| - Consultants | Find the category on page 20 or 21 that comes closest to your field of consulting and select the code |  |  |  |
| - Counselors | 070 | Counselors (e.g., educational, vocational, mental health, substance abuse) Also consider 240 Social Workers and 115 Psychologists - Health Services |  |  |
| - Engineers/Architects Also consider 100 to 104 under Engineering Technologists, Technicians and Surveyors | $\begin{aligned} & 081 \\ & 082 \\ & 083 \\ & 084 \\ & 085 \\ & 086 \\ & 087 \\ & 089 \\ & 090 \end{aligned}$ | Architects, except naval <br> Aeronautical/aerospace/astronautical engineers <br> Agricultural engineers <br> Bioengineers or biomedical engineers <br> Chemical engineers <br> Civil engineers, including architectural and sanitary <br> Computer engineers - hardware <br> Electrical and electronics engineers <br> Environmental engineers | $\begin{aligned} & 091 \\ & 092 \\ & 093 \\ & 094 \\ & 095 \\ & 096 \\ & 097 \\ & 098 \\ & 099 \end{aligned}$ | Industrial engineers, including health and safety <br> Marine engineers and naval architects <br> Materials engineers <br> Mechanical engineers <br> Mining and geological engineers, <br> including mining safety engineers <br> Nuclear engineers <br> Petroleum engineers <br> Sales engineers <br> Other engineers |
| - Engineering Technologists/ Technicians/Surveyors | $\begin{aligned} & 100 \\ & 101 \\ & 102 \end{aligned}$ | Electrical, electronic, industrial, and mechanical technicians Drafting occupations, including computer drafting Surveying and mapping technicians |  | Other engineering technologists and technicians Surveyors, cartographers, photogrammetrists |
| - Farming, Fishing, and Forestry Occupations | 110 | Farming, fishing, and forestry occupations |  |  |
| - Health Occupations | 111 <br> 112 <br> 115 | Diagnosing/treating practitioners (e.g., dentists, optometrists, physicians, psychiatrists, podiatrists, surgeons, veterinarians) Registered nurses, pharmacists, dieticians, therapists, physician assistants, nurse practitioners <br> Psychologists - Health Services (e.g., clinical, counseling, school psychologists) - Also consider 070 Counselors | $113$ $114$ | Health technologists and technicians (e.g., dental hygienists, health record technologists/technicians, licensed practical nurses, medical or laboratory technicians, radiological technicians) Other health occupations |
| - Legal Occupations | 120 | Lawyers, judges, and related workers |  | Legal support workers (e.g., paralegals, legal assistants) |
| - Librarians/Archivists/Curators |  | Librarians, archivists, curators |  |  |
| - Managers and Supervisors, First-Line | Find the category on page 20 or 21 that best describes the occupation of the people you manage and select the code |  |  |  |
| - Managers, Top-level Executives/Administrators | 141 Top executives (e.g., chief executives, general and operations managers, legislators) | Top executives (e.g., chief executives, general and operations managers, legislators) |  |  |
| - Managers, Other People who manage other managers | $\begin{aligned} & 142 \\ & 143 \\ & 144 \\ & 145 \\ & 146 \\ & 147 \end{aligned}$ | Computer and information systems managers Engineering managers Medical and health services managers Natural sciences managers Education and childcare administrators Other mid-level managers |  |  |

## JOB CATEGORY (Continued)

| - Management-Related Occupations Also consider 142 to 147 under Managers, Other | $\begin{aligned} & 151 \\ & 152 \end{aligned}$ | Financial specialists (e.g., accountants, auditors) <br> Personnel, training, and labor relations specialists |  | Other management related occupations (e.g., buyers and purchasing agents, claims adjusters, compliance officers, logisticians, management analysts, marketing specialists) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| - Mathematical Scientists | $\begin{aligned} & 171 \\ & 172 \\ & 173 \\ & 174 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | Actuaries <br> Mathematicians <br> Operations research analysts <br> Statisticians | $\begin{aligned} & 176 \\ & 177 \end{aligned}$ | Other mathematical scientists Data scientists |
| - Physical Scientists | $\begin{aligned} & 191 \\ & 192 \\ & 022 \\ & 193 \\ & 194 \end{aligned}$ | Astronomers <br> Atmospheric and space scientists Biochemists and biophysicists Chemists, except biochemists Environmental scientists and specialists | $\begin{aligned} & 195 \\ & 196 \\ & 197 \\ & 198 \end{aligned}$ | Geoscientists, including hydrologists and oceanographers Physicists, except biophysicists Technologists and technicians in the physical sciences Other physical scientists |
| - Research Associates/ Assistants | Find the category on page 20 or 21 that comes closest to your research field and select the code |  |  |  |
| - Sales/Marketing Occupations | 200 | Sales representatives: services (e.g., insurance, securities, real estate, and business services) Sales representatives: wholesale and manufacturing (e.g., industrial machinery/ equipment/supplies) |  | Retail sales workers (e.g., furnishings, clothing, motor vehicles, cosmetics) Miscellaneous sales and related workers |
| - Service Occupations, Except Health Also consider 111 to 114 under Health Occupations | 221 222 | Food preparation and service (e.g., cooks, waitresses, bartenders) Protective services occupations (e.g., firefighters, police, guards, wardens, park rangers) |  | Other service occupations, except health (e.g., personal care service occupations, building and grounds cleaning and maintenance occupations, etc.) |
| - Social Scientists | $\begin{aligned} & 231 \\ & 232 \\ & 233 \\ & 235 \end{aligned}$ | Anthropologists and archeologists Economists Historians Political scientists | $\begin{aligned} & 236 \\ & \\ & 237 \\ & 238 \end{aligned}$ | Psychologists - research and applied (e.g., industrial-organizational, experimental) Sociologists Other social scientists |
| - Social Workers | 240 | Social workers |  | Miscellaneous community and social service specialists (e.g., probation officers and correctional treatment specialists) |
| - Teachers-Precollege | $\begin{aligned} & 251 \\ & 252 \\ & 253 \\ & 254 \end{aligned}$ | Preschool and kindergarten teachers Elementary and middle school teachers Secondary - computer, math, or sciences Secondary - social sciences | $\begin{aligned} & 255 \\ & 256 \\ & 257 \end{aligned}$ | Secondary - other subjects Special education - primary and secondary school Other precollegiate area |
| - Teachers/ProfessorsPostsecondary | 271 272 273 274 275 276 277 278 279 280 281 282 | Agriculture <br> Art, drama, and music <br> Biological sciences <br> Business <br> Chemistry <br> Computer Science <br> Atmospheric, earth, environmental, marine, <br> and space sciences <br> Economics <br> Education <br> Engineering <br> English language and literature <br> Foreign language and literature | 283 286 287 288 289 290 291 293 297 298 299 | History <br> Mathematical sciences <br> Health <br> Recreation and fitness studies <br> Physics <br> Political science <br> Psychology <br> Sociology <br> Other life and physical sciences <br> (e.g., conservation, etc.) <br> Other social sciences <br> Other postsecondary fields |
| - Teachers-Other | 300 | Other teachers and instructors (e.g., private tutors, dance or flying instructors, martial arts instructors) |  |  |
| - Writers/Editors/Public Relations Specialists/Artists /Entertainers/Broadcasters | 010 | Writers, editors, public relations specialists, artists, entertainers, broadcasters |  |  |
| - Other Professions | $\begin{aligned} & 401 \\ & 402 \end{aligned}$ | Construction and extraction occupations Installation, maintenance, and repair occupations | 403 | Production occupations (e.g., assemblers, bakers, metal workers, tailors, woodworkers) Transportation and material moving occupations |
| - Other Occupations |  | Other occupations (not listed) |  |  |

## FIELD OF STUDY

If you cannot find the code that best describes your field of study, use the "Other" code under the most appropriate broad category. If none of the codes fit your field of study, use Code 995.

| - Agricultural Business and | 601 | Agricultural economics - Also consider <br> Production |  | 602 |
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## FIELD OF STUDY (Continued)

| - Engineering-Related Technologies Also consider 721 to 741 under Engineering | $\begin{aligned} & 751 \\ & 752 \end{aligned}$ | Electrical and electronics technologies Industrial production technologies - Also consider 733 Industrial and manufacturing engineering | 753 754 | Mechanical engineering-related technologies Other engineering-related technologies |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| - Languages, Linguistics, Literature/Letters | $\begin{aligned} & 760 \\ & 771 \end{aligned}$ | English language, literature and letters Linguistics | 772 | Other foreign languages and literature |
| - Health and Related Sciences | $\begin{aligned} & 781 \\ & 782 \\ & 783 \\ & 784 \\ & 785 \\ & \\ & 786 \end{aligned}$ | Audiology and speech pathology Health services administration Health/medical assistants Health/medical technologies Medical preparatory programs (e.g., pre-dentistry, pre-medical, pre-veterinary) Medicine (e.g., dentistry, optometry, osteopathic, podiatry, veterinary) | 787 788 789 790 791 | Registered nursing, nursing administration, nursing research and clinical nursing <br> Pharmacy - Also consider 639 <br> Pharmacology, human and animal Physical therapy and other rehabilitation/therapeutic services Public health (including environmental health and epidemiology) Other health/medical sciences |
| - Family, Consumer Sciences and Human Sciences | 800 | Family, consumer sciences and human scien |  |  |
| - Legal Professions and Studies | 810 | Legal professions and studies |  |  |
| - Liberal Arts and Sciences | 820 | Liberal arts and sciences |  |  |
| - Library Science | 830 | Library science |  |  |
| - Mathematics and Statistics | 841 842 | Applied mathematics - Also consider 843 Operations research and 652 Actuarial science Mathematics, general | 843 <br> 844 <br> 845 | Operations research - Also consider <br> 841 Applied mathematics and <br> 652 Actuarial science <br> Statistics <br> Other mathematics |
| - Parks, Recreation, Leisure, Fitness, and Kinesiology | 850 | Parks, recreation, leisure, fitness, and kinesiology |  |  |
| - Philosophy, Religion, Theology | 861 | History and philosophy of science and technology | 862 | Philosophy, religion, theology |
| - Physical Sciences | $\begin{aligned} & 871 \\ & 872 \\ & 631 \\ & 873 \\ & 874 \end{aligned}$ | Astronomy and astrophysics Atmospheric sciences and meteorology Biochemistry and biophysics Chemistry, except biochemistry Geological and earth sciences, geosciences | $\begin{aligned} & 876 \\ & 877 \\ & 878 \\ & 879 \end{aligned}$ | Geological and earth sciences, other Ocean sciences and marine sciences Physics, except biophysics Other physical sciences |
| - Psychology | $\begin{aligned} & 891 \\ & 892 \\ & 704 \\ & 893 \end{aligned}$ | Clinical psychology Counseling psychology Educational psychology Experimental psychology | $\begin{aligned} & 894 \\ & 895 \\ & 896 \\ & 897 \end{aligned}$ | General psychology Industrial/organizational psychology Social psychology Other psychology |
| - Public Affairs | $\begin{aligned} & 901 \\ & 902 \end{aligned}$ | Public administration Public policy analysis | 903 | Public affairs |
| - Social Work | 910 | Social work |  |  |
| - Social Sciences and History | $\begin{aligned} & 921 \\ & 620 \\ & 922 \\ & 923 \\ & \\ & 924 \end{aligned}$ | Anthropology and archeology Area and ethnic studies Criminology - Also consider 690 Criminal justice and corrections Economics - Also consider 601 Agricultural economics and 655 Business and managerial economics Geography | $\begin{aligned} & 926 \\ & 927 \\ & 928 \\ & 910 \\ & 929 \\ & 930 \end{aligned}$ | History <br> International relations and national security studies <br> Political science and government <br> Social work <br> Sociology <br> Other social sciences |
| - Visual and Performing Arts | $\begin{aligned} & 941 \\ & 942 \end{aligned}$ | Drama, theatre arts, and stagecraft Fine and studio arts (all fields) | $\begin{aligned} & 943 \\ & 944 \end{aligned}$ | Music, all fields Other visual and performing arts |
| - Other Fields |  | Other fields (not listed) |  |  |

# Thank you for completing the questionnaire. 

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