

# 1999 National Survey of Recent College Graduates 


#### Abstract

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## INSTRUCTIONS

Thank you for taking the time to complete this important questionnaire. Directions for filling it out are provided with each question. Because not all questions will apply to everyone, you may be asked to skip certain questions.

- In order to get comparable data, we will be asking you to refer to the week of April 15, 1999 (i.e., April 11-April 17, 1999) when answering most questions.
- Follow all "SKIP" instructions after marking a box. If no "SKIP" instruction is provided, you should continue to the next question.
- Either a pen or pencil may be used.
- When answering questions that require marking a box, please use an $[\mathrm{X}]$.
- If you need to change an answer, please make sure that your old answer is either completely erased or clearly crossed out.
- You may notice that some question numbers are not consecutive. This was done to maintain consistency with previous survey cycles. Please answer questions in the order they are printed except when following a "SKIP" instruction.

Thanks again for your help. We really appreciate it.

A1. In what year did you receive your high school diploma or high school equivalency certificate?
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OR $\square$ Did not finish
high school

A2. In what state or foreign country did you last attend high school?

State: $\qquad$ OR

Foreign Country: $\qquad$

A3. Have you ever taken courses at a community college?


A4. (IF YES) For which of the following reasons have you taken courses at a community college?

Mark (X) Yes or No for each

b. As part of a high school advanced placement (AP) program $\qquad$$2 \square$
c. To prepare for college/increase chances of being accepted into college
 $\square$
d. To complete an associate's degree $\square$ $\square 2 \square$
e. To complete credits toward a bachelor's degree$2 \square$
f. To gain further skills or knowledge in your academic or occupational field ${ }_{1} \square$2 $\square$
g. To change your academic or occupational field
 $\square$
h. To increase opportunities for promotion, advancement, or higher salary

i. For leisure or personal interest $\qquad$
j. For financial reasons (e.g., 4-year college too expensive, needed the money for other priorities)
$\square$
k. Other - Specify

$\qquad$ $2 \square$

A4X. Do you have a 2-year associate's degree?
$1 \square$ Yes
$2 \square$ No

A5. When you first entered college to begin working on a bachelor's degree, in what field of study did you want to major?- MARK (X) THIS BOX IF YOU WERE UNDECIDED AND THEN SKIP TO A7

MAJOR FIELD OF STUDY

A6. Using the EDUCATION CODES (LIST A:
pp. 16-17) choose the code that best describes your first intended major.
CODE $\square$ NOTE: Education codes range from 601 to 995

A7. Using a 4-point scale, what was your overall undergraduate grade point average (GPA)?

IF YOU HAVE MORE THAN ONE BACHELOR'S DEGREE: Give your overall grade point average for your first bachelor's degree.
Mark (X) ONLY one
${ }_{1} \square 3.75-4.00$ GPA(Mostly A's)
${ }_{2} \square$ 3.25-3.74 GPA(About half A's/half B's)
${ }_{3} \square 2.75-3.24$ GPA(Mostly B's)
${ }_{4} \square$ 2.25-2.74 GPA(About half B's/half C's)
${ }_{5} \square 1.75-2.24$ GPA(Mostly C's)
${ }_{6} \square$ 1.25-1.74 GPA(About half C's/half D's)
${ }_{7} \square$ Less than 1.25(Mostly D's or below)
${ }_{8} \square$ Have not taken courses for which grades were given
(Question numbers A8-A9 were not used this cycle.)
A10. How many college or university degrees do you have at the bachelor's level or higher?

NUMBER


A10a. In what month and year did you first enroll in a course offered by a college or other postsecondary institution for which you received credit towards your first bachelor's degree? This may be at the institution that granted your degree, or at another institution.


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A11. 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 more than 3 relevant degrees, complete the grid for your two most recent degrees and your first bachelor's degree.

\begin{tabular}{|c|c|c|}
\hline MOST RECENT DEGREE \& 2ND MOST RECENT DEGREE \& \begin{tabular}{l}
1ST BACHELOR'S DEGREE \\
(If not previously reported)
\end{tabular} \\
\hline a. From which college/university and department did you receive this degree? \& a. From which college/university and department did you receive this degree? \& a. From which college/university and department did you receive this degree? \\
\hline \begin{tabular}{l}
b. In what month and year was this degree awarded? \\
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\end{tabular} \& b. In what month and year was this degree awarded?
\(\square\) 19 \& b. In what month and year was this degree awarded? \\
\hline c. What type of degree did you receive? \& c. What type of degree did you receive? \& c. What type of degree did you receive? \\
\hline \begin{tabular}{l}
d. Using the EDUCATION CODES (LIST A: pp. 16-17), select the relevant degree field code(s) and title(s). \\
MAJOR FIELD \(\square\) \\
CODE \(\square\) \\
SECOND \\
MAJOR OR MINOR \(\square\) \\
CODE \(\square\)
\end{tabular} \& \begin{tabular}{l}
d. Using the EDUCATION CODES (LIST A: pp. 16-17), select the relevant degree field code(s) and title(s). \\
MAJOR FIELD \(\square\) \\
CODE \(\square\) \\
SECOND \\
MAJOR OR \\
MINOR \(\square\) \\
CODE \(\square\)
\end{tabular} \& \begin{tabular}{l}
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MAJOR FIELD \(\square\) \\
CODE \(\square\) \\
SECOND MAJOR OR MINOR \(\square\) \\
CODE \(\square\)
\end{tabular} \\
\hline \begin{tabular}{l}
e. From which of the following sources, if any, did you receive financial support for this degree? \\
Mark ( \(X\) ) all that apply \\
\({ }_{\mathrm{g}} \square\) Financial support from parents/spouse/ \\
other relatives, not to be repaid
Loans from the school you attended, banks, federal or state government
Loans from parents or other relatives
Financial assistance from your employer
Tuition waivers, fellowships, grants, scholarships
Assistantships/Work Study
Earnings from employment
Other - Specify
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Loans from parents or other relatives
Financial assistance from your employer
Tuition waivers, fellowships, grants, scholarships
Assistantships/Work Study
Earnings from employment

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Mark ( $X$ ) all that apply
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Loans from the school you attended, banks, federal or state government
Loans from parents or other relatives
Financial assistance from your employer
Tuition waivers, fellowships, grants, scholarships
Assistantships/Work Study
Earnings from employment

\end{tabular} <br>

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\end{tabular}

For questions A12a and A12c, include the total amount borrowed from ALL sources, (e.g., government, private lenders, parents, relatives, friends). Include loans that have been repaid or forgiven. If your loans were consolidated, please estimate how much was borrowed for your undergraduate degrees and how much was borrowed for your graduate degrees.

A12a. Thinking about only the undergraduate degrees you completed before May 1999, what is the total amount you have borrowed from any source to finance your undergraduate degree(s)?


A12b. (IF ANY) As of the week of April 15, 1999 how much of this undergraduate amount did you still owe?


A12c. Thinking about only the graduate degrees you completed before May 1999, what is the total amount you have borrowed from any source to finance your graduate degree(s)?
$0 \square \leftarrow$ MARK (X) THIS BOX IF NO GRADUATE DEGREES, AND THEN SKIP TO A13_1


## $\square$ NONE $\Rightarrow$ SKIP to A13_1

A12d. (IF ANY) As of the week of April 15, 1999 how much of this graduate amount did you still owe?


Questions A13_1 through A21a ask about college or university courses you may have taken since completing

A13_1. Have you completed a degree since the week of April 15, 1999?
${ }_{1} \square$ Yes $\Rightarrow$ SKIP to A21a, page 4

A13. Between completing your most recent degree and the week of April 15, 1999, did you take any college or university courses or enroll in a college or university for any other reason, such as completing a master's, PhD, medical, or law degree?$\square$ Yes $\Rightarrow$ SKIP to A18, page 4
$2 \square$ $\square$ No

A14. Which of the following were reasons why you were not enrolled or taking college courses during that time period?
Mark (X) Yes or No for each

1. You had achieved your educational goals (at least temporarily)

2. You were waiting for the next school term to start $\square$ $2 \square$
3. Financial reasons (e.g., too expensive, needed the money for other priorities) $\qquad$
$\qquad$$2 \square$
4. Had a job, needed to work${ }_{2} \square$
5. Had to stop due to family responsibilities (e.g., caring for children or other family members, had a baby)$2 \square$
6. Moved, could no longer take courses at the school you were attending $1 \square$ $\square$ $2 \square$
7. No longer certain of which field of study you wanted to pursue$2 \square$
8. Needed a break, tired of going to school $\qquad$ $2 \square$
9. Other - Specify


A14a. Which two reasons marked in A14 represent your most important reasons for not taking college courses during that time period? Enter number of appropriate reason from A14 above.

1. $\square$ MOST important reason
2. $\square$ SECOND MOST important reason (Enter "0" if only one reason selected in A14.)

A15. Have you taken any college or university courses since the week of April 15, 1999?


A16. (IF NO) How likely is it that you will one day take additional college or university courses?

(Question number A17 not used this cycle.)

A18. What was your primary field of study between completing your most recent degree and the week of April 15, 1999 ?
$\square$ MARK (X) THIS BOX IF NO PRIMARY FIELD OF STUDY AND THEN SKIP TO A2O

PRIMARY FIELD OF STUDY
$\square$

A19. Using the EDUCATION CODES (LIST A: pp. 1617) choose the code that best describes your primary field of study during that time.

A18a. In which college or university department were you primarily taking classes or doing research (for example, English, chemistry)?

DEPARTMENT
$\square$

A20. During that time, toward what degree or certificate, if any, were you (or are you) working?
if working on more than one degree: Mark the highest level.

## Mark (X) ONLY one

${ }_{0} \square$ No specific degree or certificate
$1 \square$Bachelor's degree
$2 \square$Post-baccalaureate certificateMaster's degree (including MBA)Post master's certificateDoctorate (Ph.D., D.S.C, D.Sc., Ed.D.)
${ }_{6} \square$ Other professional degree (JD, LLB, ThD, MD, DDS, etc.) - Specify


A21. From which of these sources did you receive financial support for coursework or enrollment between completing your most recent degree and April 15, 1999?

Mark (X) Yes or No for each
g. Financial support from parents/spouse/ other relatives, not to be repaid
$2 \square$
a. Loans from the school you attended, banks, federal or state government $\qquad$$\square$
b. Loans from parents or other relatives${ }_{2} \square$
c. Financial assistance from your employer${ }_{2} \square$
d. Tuition waivers, fellowships, grants, or scholarships$\square$
e. Assistantships/Work Study $\qquad$ $\square$ $\square$
f. Earnings from employment $\qquad$ . 2 $\square$
h. Other - Specify


A21a. For which of the following reasons were you taking classes or enrolled during that time?

Mark ( $X$ ) Yes or No for each
a. To gain further education before beginning a career $\qquad$ ${ }_{2} \square$
b. To prepare for graduate school $\qquad$ $2 \square$
c. To change your academic or occupational field$\square$
d. To gain further skills or knowledge in your academic or occupational field$2 \square$
e. For licensure or certification $\qquad$ $2 \square$
f. To increase opportunities for promotion, advancement, or higher salary $\qquad$$2 \square$
g. Required or expected by employer $\qquad$$\square$
h. For leisure or personal interest $\qquad$$2 \square$


A22. More specifically, during the week of April 15, 1999, were you either taking college or university courses or enrolled for other reasons such as completing a master's, PhD, medical, or law degree?

MARK "YES": If you were enrolled in school but on vacation that week.Yes
No $\Rightarrow$ SKIP to A25

A23. (IF YES) What college or university were you attending during the week of April 15, 1999? Please do not abbreviate the school name.

School Name: $\qquad$

City/Town:

State/Foreign Country: $\qquad$

A24. Were you taking courses as ...
Mark (X) ONLY oneA part-time studentA full-time student

A25. Thinking ahead to the future, what is the highest degree you ever expect to complete? If your current highest degree is the highest degree you expect to complete, please answer for that degree.

## Mark (X) ONLY one

Bachelor'sMaster's (includes MBA)Doctorate (e.g., Ph.D., D.S.C., D.Sc., Ed.D.)Other professional degree (e.g., JD, LLB, ThD, MD, DDS, etc.) - Specify
${ }_{91}$Other-Specify,

B1. At any time during the three months following the completion of your most recent degree, did you have what you considered to be a "careerpath" job? For "most recent degree," please do not include any degrees awarded after April 1999.

A "career-path" job is a job that will help you in your future career plans or a job in the field in which you want to make your career.
$1 \square$Yes $\Rightarrow$ SKIP to $\mathbf{B 2}$
$2 \square$ $\square$ No

B1a. At any time during that same three-month period, did you accept what you considered to be a "career-path" job?
${ }_{1} \square$ Yes
${ }_{2} \square$ No $\Rightarrow$ SKIP to B3

B2. (IF YES) When did you first start working for that
employer?
IN THE ANSWER CATEGORIES BELOW: For "most recent degree," please do not include any degrees awarded after April 1999.

Mark (X) ONLY one
${ }_{1} \square$ Before working on your most recent degreeWhile working on your
SKIP TO B4, most recent degree page 6After completing your most recent degree

B3. (IF NO) At any time during that same threemonth period were you seeking a "career-path" job?
$1 \square$ Yes
$2 \square$ No

The next several questions are about your employment status during the reference week of April 11-17, 1999.

B4. Were you working for pay (or profit) during the week of April 15, 1999? Please include selfemployment and any jobs from which you were temporarily absent, for example, for illness, vacation, or parental leave (even if leave was unpaid).

STUDENTS: Count jobs required as part of a financial aid award, such as work study or assistantships. Do not count financial aid awards with no work requirement.Yes $\Rightarrow$ SKIP to B10
$2 \square$ No

B5. (IF NO) Did you look for work during the four weeks preceding April 15, 1999 (that is, anytime between March 19 and April 15, 1999)?


B6. What were your reasons for not working during the week of April 15, 1999?

Mark ( $X$ ) Yes or No for each
a. Retired $\longrightarrow 19 \square$

b. On layoff from a job $\qquad$
c. Student $\qquad$
$\qquad$
d. Family responsibilities $\qquad$
e. Chronic illness or permanent disability
 $\square 2 \square$
f. Suitable job not available $\qquad$
g. Did not need or want to work $\qquad$ $\square 2 \square$
h.


B7. Prior to the week of April 15, 1999, in what month and year did you last work for pay (or profit)?MARK (X) THIS BOX IF NEVER WORKED FOR PAY (OR PROFIT) AND THEN SKIP TO PART D, PAGE 11


B8. What kind of work were you doing on this last job--that is, what was your occupation? Please be as specific as possible, including any area of specialization.
example: High school teacher - Math
$\qquad$
$\qquad$
$\qquad$
$\qquad$
B9. Using the JOB CODES (LIST B: pp. 18-19), choose the code that best describes the work you were doing on this last job.

CODE $\square \mid \square \Rightarrow$ SKIP to Part C, page 10
NOTE: Job codes range from 010 to 500
B10. (IF WORKING DURING WEEK OF APRIL 15) Counting all jobs you held during the week of April 15, 1999, was your typical work week 35 hours or more per week?Yes, worked 35 or more hours $\Rightarrow$ SKIP to shaded box, page 7
 No, worked less than 35 hours per week

B10a. (IF LESS THAN 35 HOURS) During the week of April 15, 1999, did you want to work a full-time work week of 35 or more hours?YesNo

B11. (IF LESS THAN 35 HOURS) What were your reasons for working a part-time work week of less than 35 hours during the week of April 15, 1999?
Mark (X) Yes or No for each
a. Retired or Year Retired semi-retired
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b. Student

c. Family responsibilities
d. Chronic illness or permanent disability $\square$
$\square$
e. Suitable full-time work week job not available$2 \square$
f. Did not need or want to work full time . . $\square_{2} \square$
g.


Please answer the next series of questions for your principal job held during the week of April 15, 1999, that is, the job in which you worked the most hours during the week of April 15, 1999. A second job, if held, will be covered later.

B11a. Who was your principal employer during the week of April 15, 1999 ?

IF MORE THAN ONE JOB: Record employer for whom you worked the most hours that week.

IF EmPLOYER HAD MORE THAN ONE LOCATION: Record location where you usually worked.

Employer Name: $\qquad$
City or Town: $\qquad$
State/Foreign Country: $\qquad$
ZIP Code: $\qquad$

B12. Which of the following categories best describes your employer during the week of April 15, 1999?
IF EMPLOYER WAS A SChooL: Mark ( $X$ ) the type of organizational charter (e.g., mark "state government" for state schools or "local government" for schools run by the local school district. Most private schools are "private not-for-profit".).
Mark (X) ONLY oneA PRIVATE FOR-PROFIT company, business or individual, paying you wages, salary or commissions

A PRIVATE NOT-FOR-PROFIT, tax-exempt, or charitable organization
${ }_{3} \square$ SELF-EMPLOYMENT in own NOT INCORPORATED business, professional practice, or farmSELF-EMPLOYMENT in own INCORPORATED business, professional practice, or farm
$5 \square$ Local GOVERNMENT (e.g., city, county)State GOVERNMENTU.S. military service, active duty, or Commissioned Corps (e.g., USPHS, NOAA)
$8 \square$U.S. GOVERNMENT as a civilian employee

91Other - Specify


B13a. Thinking about your April 1999 employer's main business, (that is, what that employer makes or does), under which of the following categories does that employer's main business best fit?

IF PRINCIPAL EMPLOYER HAD MORE THAN ONE TYPE OF BUSINESS: Please answer for the type of business primarily performed at the location where you worked.

Mark (X) ONLY oneAgriculture, forestry, or fishing
${ }_{2} \square$ Biotechnology
${ }_{3} \square$ Construction or mining
${ }_{4} \square$ Education
${ }_{5} \square$ Finance, insurance or real estate servicesHealth servicesInformation technology or computer servicesAll other services (e.g., social, legal, business)ManufacturingPublic administration/governmentResearch - Specify
$\qquad$
$12 \square$ Transportation services, utilities or communicationsWholesale or retail trade

14 Other

B13b. Counting all locations where this employer operated, how many people worked for your April 1999 employer? Your best estimate is fine.

Mark (X) ONLY oneUnder 10 employees10-24 employees25-99 employees100-499 employees
500-999 employees
$6 \square$
1,000-4,999 employees
$7 \square$
5,000+ employees

B13c. Did your April 1999 employer come into being as a new business within the past 5 years?
$1 \square$ Yes
${ }_{2} \square$ No

B14. Was your principal employer an educational institution?


B15A. (IF EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTION) Was this educational institution

Mark (X) ONLY one
${ }_{1} \square$ A preschool, elementary, or middle school or systemA secondary school or system$\square$ A 2-year college, junior
college, or technical institute
$4 \square$ A 4-year college or university, other than a medical schoolA medical school (including universityaffiliated hospital or medical center)
6 A university-affiliated research institute
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B16. What kind of work were you doing on your principal job held during the week of April 15, 1999--that is, what was your occupation?
Please be as specific as possible, including
any area of specialization.
EXAMPLE: High school teacher - Math
$\qquad$
$\qquad$
$\qquad$
$\qquad$

B17. Using the JOB CODES (LIST B: pp. 18-19), choose the code that best describes the work you were doing on your principal job during the week of April 15, 1999.

CODE


NOTE: Job codes range from 010 to 500

B18a. Did your duties on this job require the technical expertise of a bachelor's degree or higher in ...

Mark (X) Yes or No for each
a. Engineering, computer science, math, or the natural sciences $\qquad$ $1 \square$ $\qquad$ $2 \square$
b. The social sciences $\qquad$$2 \square$
c. Some other field (e.g., health or business) - Specify

$1 \square$ $\square \square$

B19. During what month and year did you start this job, (that is, your principal job held during the week of April 15, 1999)?

JOB STARTED

(Question number B20 not used this cycle.)
B21. Thinking about the relationship between your work and your education, to what extent was your work on your principal job held during the week of April 15, 1999, related to your highest degree field? For "highest degree," please do not include any degrees awarded after April 1999.

Mark (X) ONLY oneClosely related

SKIP to B24, page 9Somewhat retated
Not related
B22. (IF NOT RELATED) Did any of these factors influence your decision to work in an area OUTSIDE THAT DEGREE FIELD?

Mark (X) Yes or No for each

1. Pay or promotion opportunities

2. Working conditions (e.g., hours, equipment, working environment)$2 \square$
3. Job location

4. Change in career or professional interests $\qquad$ . $1 \square$$2 \square$
5. Family-related reasons (e.g., children, spouse's job moved)$2 \square$
6. Job in field not available . . . . . . . . . . . . . $\square_{2} \square$
7. Other reason - Specify

B23. Which two factors in B22 represent your most important reasons for working in an area outside that degree field? Enter number of appropriate factor from B22 on the previous page.
1.


MOST important reason
2.


SECOND MOST important reason (Enter "0" if only one factor selected in B22.)

B24. The next question is about your work activities on the principal job you held during the week of April 15, 1999. Which of the following work activities occupied 10 percent or more of your time during a typical work week on this job?

Mark (X) Yes or No for each

1. Accounting, finance, contracts

2. Applied research - study directed toward gaining scientific knowledge to meet a recognized need $\square$ $\square 2 \square$
3. Basic research - study directed toward gaining scientific knowledge primarily for its own sake$2 \square$
4. Computer applications, programming, systems development $\square 2 \square$
5. Development - using knowledge gained from research for the production of materials, devices $\qquad$
6. Design of equipment, processes, structures, models $\square{ }_{2} \square$
7. Employee relations - including recruiting, personnel development, training

8. Managing and supervising $\qquad$
9. Production, operations, maintenance (e.g., truck driving, machine tooling, auto/machine repairing) $\qquad$
$\square$ $2 \square$
10. Professional services (e.g., health care, counseling, financial services, legal services) $\square{ }_{2} \square$
11. Sales, purchasing, marketing, customer service, public relations $\square{ }_{2} \square$
12. Quality or productivity management
13. Teaching $\qquad$
14. Other - Specify

B25. On which two activities in B24 did you work the most hours during a typical week on this job?
Enter number of appropriate activity from B24.
1.
 Activity MOST hours
2. $\square$ Activity SECOND MOST hours (Enter "0" if only one activity selected in B24.)

B26. Did you supervise the work of others as part of your principal job held during the week of April 15, 1999 ?

MARK "YES": If you assigned duties to workers and recommended or initiated personnel actions such as hiring, firing, or promoting.
TEACHERS: Do not count students.


B27. (IF YES) How many people did you typically . IF NONE: Enter " 0. " Number
Supervised
a. Supervise directly? .......
b. Supervise through
subordinate supervisors?. . .

B28. Before deductions, what was your basic annual salary on this job as of the week of April 15, 1999? (Do not include bonuses, overtime, or additional compensation for summertime teaching or research.)
if not salaried: Please estimate your earned income, excluding business expenses.

Include tips as part of salary.


B29. During a typical week on this job, how many hours did you usually work?


B29WEEKS. Was your salary based on a full year, that is, 52 weeks, or something less than 52 weeks?

52 weeks $\Rightarrow$ SKIP to B35


Something else

B29a. Including paid vacation and paid sick leave, on how many weeks per year was your salary based?

NUMBER OF WEEKS PER YEAR $\square$
(Question numbers B30-B34 not used in this cycle.)
B35. During the week of April 15, 1999, were you working for pay (or profit) at a second job (or business), including part-time, evening, or weekend work?YesNo $\Rightarrow$ SKIP to Part $\boldsymbol{C}$
B36. (IF YES) What kind of work were you doing on your second job during the week of
April 15, 1999--that is, what was your occupation? Please be as specific as possible, including any area of specialization.
if more than two jobs that week: Answer for the job at which you worked the second most hours.

EXAMPLE: High school teacher - Math
$\qquad$
$\qquad$
$\qquad$
$\qquad$
B37. Using the JOB CODES (LIST B: pp. 18-19), choose the code that best describes the work you were doing on your second job during the week of April 15, 1999.

CODE


NOTE: Job codes range from 010 to 500

B39. To what extent was your work on this second job related to your highest degree field? For "highest degree," please do not include any degrees awarded after April 1999.

Mark (X) ONLY oneClosely relatedSomewhat relatedNot related

PART C - Other Work-Related Information

C2. During the past year, did you attend any professional society or association meetings or conferences? Please include regional, national, or international meetings.YesNo

C3. To how many national or international professional societies or associations do you currently belong?

Number $\square$ OR NONE

C4. During the past year, did you attend any workrelated workshops, seminars, or other workrelated training activities? Do not include college courses.

Do not include professional meetings unless you attended a special training session conducted at a meeting or conference.


Yes
No $\Rightarrow$ SKIP to Part D, page 11

C5. (IF YES) During the past year, in which of the following areas did you attend work-related workshops, seminars, or other work-related training activities?

Mark (X) Yes or No for each
a. Management or supervisor training
.................... $\qquad$ YES
b. Training in your occupational field $\qquad$
c. General professional training
(e.g., public speaking, business writing)
d. Other work-related training - Specify

C6. For which of the following reasons did you attend training activities during the past year?

Mark (X) Yes or No for each

1. To facilitate a change in your occupational field $\qquad$
2. To gain further skills or knowledge in your occupational field $\qquad$$\square$

3. For licensure or certification${ }_{2} \square$
4. To increase opportunities for promotion, advancement or higher salary $\qquad$
$\square$$2 \square$
5. To learn skills or knowledge needed for a recently acquired position $\qquad$
6. Required or expected by employer $\qquad$
$\square$
7. Other - Specify
$\square$ $\square$ $2 \square$

C7. Which of the reasons marked in C6 represents your most important reason for attending training activities? Enter number of appropriate reason from C6 above.
$\square$ MOST important reason

## PART D - Background Information

## D1. What is your birthdate?



D2. In what U.S. state, U.S. territory, or foreign country were you born?

State/Territory: $\qquad$ OR

Foreign Country: $\qquad$
(Question number D3 not used this cycle.)
D4DAD. What is the highest level of education completed by your father or male guardian?

Mark (X) ONLY one
${ }_{1} \square$ Less than high school diplomaHigh school diploma or equivalentSome college, vocational, or trade school (including 2-year degrees)

4 Graduated from a 4-year college (Bachelor's degree)
${ }_{5} \square$ At least some graduate or professional school

D4MOM. What is the highest level of education completed by your mother or female guardian?

Mark (X) ONLY one
$1 \square$ Less than high school diplomaHigh school diploma or equivalentSome college, vocational, or trade school (including 2-year degrees)
$4 \square$
Graduated from a 4-year college (Bachelor's degree)
${ }_{5} \square$ $\square$ At least some graduate or professional school

D5. Are you of Hispanic origin or descent?YesNo $\Rightarrow$ SKIP to D7

D6. Which of the following categories best describes your Hispanic descent?

IF MORE THAN ONE CATEGORY APPLIES: Please select the one you consider the most important part of your background.

Mark (X) ONLY oneMexican, Mexican-American, ChicanoPuerto Rican
${ }_{3} \square$
Cuban
${ }_{91} \square$ $\qquad$

D7. Are you...
Mark (X) ONLY oneWhiteBlack or African AmericanAsian or Pacific IslanderAmerican Indian or Alaskan Native
(e.g., Eskimo, Aleut)
${ }_{91} \square$Other-Specify
$\square$

D8. Are you...MaleFemale

D9. During the week of April 15, 1999, were you...
Mark (X) ONLY one
A U.S. citizenNot a U.S. citizen $\Rightarrow$ SKIP to D9_2

D9_1. (IF U.S. CITIZEN) Were you...
Mark (X) ONLY oneA native-born citizen $\square$
SKIP to D12
${ }_{2}$A naturalized citizen

D9_2. (IF NON-U.S. CITIZEN) During the week of April 15, 1999, did you have...

Mark (X) ONLY one
${ }_{3} \square$
A Permanent U.S. Resident Visa
${ }_{4} \square$
A Temporary U.S. Resident VisaNo U.S. Visa - You were living outside the United States

D10. (IF NON-U.S. CITIZEN) Of which country were you a citizen during the week of April 15, 1999 ?
$\square$
(Question number D11 not used this cycle.)
D12. During the week of April 15, 1999, were you living in the United States or one of its territories, or were you living in another country?United States or one of its territoriesAnother country

D13. As of the week of April 15, 1999, were you...
Mark (X) ONLY oneMarried $\Rightarrow$ GO to D14, page 13
Widowed


D14. (IF MARRIED) During the week of April 15, 1999, was your spouse working for pay (or profit) at a full-time or part-time job?
$-1$Yes, full-time
$-2$Yes, part-timeNo $\Rightarrow$ SKIP to D16

D15. (IF YES) Did your spouse's duties on this job require the technical expertise of a bachelor's degree or higher in...

Mark (X) Yes or No for each
a. Engineering, computer science, math or the natural sciences $\qquad$
b. The social sciences $\qquad$${ }_{2} \square$
c. Some other field (e.g., health or business) - Specify
$\square$

D16. During the week of April 15, 1999, 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.
$1 \square$
YesNo $\Rightarrow$ SKIP to D18, page 14

D17.
(IF YES) How many of these children living with you as part of your family were ...
if NO CHILDREN in a Category: Enter "0."
Number of
Children
e. Under age 2 $\qquad$
$\square$
f. Aged 2-5 $\qquad$
$\square$
b. Aged 6-11 $\qquad$
$\square$
c. Aged 12-17 $\square$
d. Aged 18 or older $\square$

The next question is designed to help us better understand the career paths of individuals with different physical

D18. What is the usual degree of difficulty you have with.

| MARK (X) ONE FOR EACH LINE |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| None | Slight $\quad$ Moderate | Severe | Unable to |
|  |  |  |  |
|  |  | Do |  |

a. SEEING words or letters in ordinary newsprint (with glasses/contact lenses if you usually wear them)
b. HEARING what is normally said in conversation with another person (with hearing aid, if you usually wear one)
c. WALKING without human or mechanical assistance or using stairs
d. LIFTING or carrying something as heavy as 10 pounds, such as a bag of groceries


D18_1. -MARK (X) THIS BOX IF YOU ANSWERED "NONE" TO ALL ACTIVITIES IN D18 AND SKIP TO D22

D19. What is the earliest age at which you first began experiencing any difficulties in any of these areas? AGE $\square$ ORSINCE BIRTH

D22. In case we need to clarify some of the information you have provided, please provide an address, telephone number(s), and any e-mail address (if applicable) where you can be reached.
$\square$
Number and Street/Apt. No.


Country (If outside U.S.)
Telephone Numbers:


E-mail Address(es): $\square$
$\square$

D22a. Does the name appearing on the back cover of this questionnaire match your current name?Yes $\Rightarrow$ SKIP to D21 below
$\downarrow$No

D22b. Please provide your current name.

|  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| First Name | Middle Name | Last Name |

D21. Since we are interested in how education and employment change over time, we may be recontacting you in the future. To help us contact you, please provide the name, address, and telephone number of someone who is likely to know where you can be reached. Do not include someone who lives in your household. As with all the information provided in this questionnaire, complete confidentiality will be provided. This person will only be contacted if we have trouble contacting you in the future.


Number and Street/Apt. No.


Country (If outside U.S.)


## THANK YOU FOR COMPLETING THE QUESTIONNAIRE

## LIST A: EDUCATION CODES

This list is ordered alphabetically. The titles in bold type are broad fields of study. To make sure you have found the BEST code, please review ALL broad categories before making your choice. If you cannot find the code that BEST describes your field of study, use the "OTHER" code under the most appropriate broad field in bold print. If none of the codes fit your field of study, use Code 995.

| Agriculture Business and Production |  |
| :---: | :---: |
| 601 | Agriculture, economics (also see 655 and 923) |
| 602 | OTHER agricultural business and production |
|  | Agricultural Sciences |
| 605 | Animal sciences |
| 606 | Food sciences and technology (also see 638) |
| 607 | Plant sciences (also see 633) |
| 608 | OTHER agricultural sciences |
| 610 | Architecture/Environmental Design (for architectural engineering, see 723) |
| 620 | Area/Ethnic Studies |
|  | Biological/Life Sciences |
| 631 | Biochemistry and biophysics |
| 632 | Biology, general |
| 633 | Botany (also see 607) |
| 634 | Cell and molecular biology |
| 635 | Ecology |
| 636 | Genetics, animal and plant |
| 637 | Microbiology |
| 638 | Nutritional sciences (also see 606) |
| 639 | Pharmacology, human and animal (also see 788) |
| 640 | Physiology, human and animal |
| 641 | Zoology, general |
| 642 | OTHER biological sciences |

## Business Management/Administrative Services

652 Actuarial science
653 Business administration and management
654 Business, general
655 Business/managerial economics (also see 601 and 923)
656 Business marketing/marketing mgmt.
657 Financial management
658 Marketing research
843 Operations research
659

## Communications

661 Communications, general
662 Journalism
663 OTHER communications

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Computer and Information Sciences
Computer/information sciences, general
Computer programming
Computer science (also see 727)
Computer systems analysis
Data processing technology
Information services and systems
OTHER computer and information sciences
Conservation/Renewable Natural Resources
Environmental science studies
Forestry sciences
OTHER conservation/renewable natural resources
690 Criminal Justice/Protective Services
(also see 922)
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## Education

## Engineering

Aerospace, aeronautical, astronautical engineering
Agricultural engineering
Architectural engineering
Bioengineering and biomedical engineering
Chemical engineering
Civil engineering
Computer/systems engineering (also see 673)
Electrical, electronics, communications engineering (also see 751)
Engineering sciences, mechanics, physics
Environmental engineering
General engineering
Geophysical engineering
Industrial engineering (also see 752)
Materials engineering, including ceramics and textiles
Mechanical engineering (also see 753)
Metallurgical engineering
Mining and minerals engineering
Naval architecture and marine engineering
Nuclear engineering
Petroleum engineering
OTHER engineering

## LIST A: EDUCATION CODES - Continued

Engineering-Related Technologies<br>Electrical and electronic technologies<br>Industrial production technologies<br>Mechanical engineering-related technologies<br>OTHER engineering-related technologies<br>Languages, Linguistics, Literature/Letters<br>English Language and Literature/Letters<br>Linguistics<br>OTHER foreign languages and literature<br>Health Professions and Related Sciences<br>Audiology and speech pathology<br>Health services administration<br>Health/medical assistants<br>Health/medical technologies<br>Medical preparatory programs (e.g., pre-dentistry, pre-medical, pre-veterinary)<br>Medicine (e.g., dentistry, optometry, osteopathic, podiatry, veterinary)<br>Nursing (4 years or longer program)<br>Pharmacy (also see 639)<br>Physical therapy and other rehabilitation/ therapeutic services<br>Public health (including environmental health and epidemiology)<br>OTHER health/medical sciences

## Home Economics

Law/Prelaw/Legal Studies

820 Liberal Arts/General Studies

Library Science

Mathematics
Applied (also see 843, 652)
Mathematics, general
Operations research
Statistics
OTHER mathematics

850 Parks, Recreation, Leisure, and Fitness Studies

Philosophy, Religion, and Theology
861
Philosophy of science
862

Physical Sciences
Astronomy and astrophysics
Atmospheric sciences and meteorology
Biochemistry and biophysics
Chemistry
Earth sciences
Environmental science studies
Geology
Geological sciences, other
Oceanography
Physics
OTHER physical sciences

## Psychology

Clinical
Counseling
Educational
Experimental
General
Industrial/Organizational
Social
OTHER psychology

Public Affairs
Public administration
Public policy studies
OTHER public affairs

## Social Work

Social Sciences and History
Anthropology and archeology
Criminology (also see 690)
Economics (also see 601 and 655)
Geography
History of science
History, other
International relations
Political science and government
Sociology
Social work
OTHER social sciences

Visual and Performing Arts
941 Dramatic arts
942 Fine arts, all fields
943 Music, all fields
944 OTHER visual and performing arts

995 Other Fields (Not Listed)

## LIST B: JOB CODES LIST

This list is ordered ALPHABETICALLY. The titles in bold type are broad job categories. To make sure you have found the BEST code, please review ALL broad categories before making your choice. If you cannot find the code that BEST describes your job, use the "OTHER" code under the most appropriate broad category in bold print. If none of the codes fit your job, use Code 500.

010-Artists, Broadcasters, Editors, Entertainers, Public Relations Specialists, Writers

## Biological/Life Scientists

021 Agricultural and food scientists
022 Biochemists and biophysicists
023 Biological scientists (e.g., botanists, ecologists, zoologists)
024 Forestry and conservation scientists
025 Medical scientists (excluding practitioners)
026 Technologists \& technicians in the biological/life sciences
027 OTHER biological/life scientists

## Clerical/Administrative Support

031 Accounting clerks, bookkeepers
032 Secretaries, receptionists, typists
033 OTHER administrative (e.g., record clerks, telephone operators)

## 040 Clergy \& Other Religious Workers

Computer Occupations (Also see 173)
*** Computer engineers (See 087, 088 under Engineering)
051 Computer programmers (business, scientific, process control)
052 Computer system analysts
053 Computer scientists, except system analysts
054 Information systems scientists or analysts
055 OTHER computer, information science occupations
*** Consultants (Select the code that comes closest to your usual area of consulting)

070 Counselors, Educational \& Vocational (Also see 236)

## Engineers, Architects, Surveyors

081 Architects
*** Engineers (Also see 100-103)
082 Aeronautical, aerospace, astronautical engineer
083 Agricultural engineer
084 Bioengineering \& biomedical engineer
085 Chemical engineer
086 Civil, including architectural \& sanitary engineer
*** Engineers (continued)
087 Computer engineer - hardware
088 Computer engineer - software
089 Electrical, electronic engineer
090 Environmental engineer
091 Industrial engineer
092 Marine engineer or naval architect engineer
093 Materials or metallurgical engineer
094 Mechanical engineer
095 Mining or geological engineer
096 Nuclear engineer
097 Petroleum engineer
098 Sales engineer
099 Other engineer
*** Engineering Technologists and Technicians
100 Electrical, electronic, industrial, mechanical
101 Drafting occupations, including computer drafting
102 Surveying and mapping
103 OTHER engineering technologists and technicians
104 Surveyors

110 Farmers, Foresters \& Fishermen

## Health Occupations

111 Diagnosing/Treating Practitioners (e.g., dentists, optometrists, physicians, psychiatrists, podiatrists, surgeons, veterinarians)
112 Registered nurses, pharmacists, dieticians, therapists, physician assistants
236 Psychologists, including clinical
113 Health Technologists \& Technicians
(e.g., dental hygienists, health record technologist/technicians licensed practical nurses, medical or laboratory technicians, radiologic technologists/technicians)
114 OTHER health occupations
120 Lawyers, Judges

130 Librarians, Archivists, Curators

## Managers, Executives, Administrators

(Also see 151-153)
141 Top and mid-level managers, executives, administrators (people who manage other managers)
*** All other managers, including the self-employed - Select the code that comes closest to the field you manage

## LIST B: JOB CODES LIST - Continued

Management-Related Occupations (Also see 141)
151 Accountants, auditors, and other financial specialists
152 Personnel, training, and labor relations specialists
153 OTHER management related occupations

## Mathematical Scientists

171 Actuaries
172 Mathematicians
173 Operations research analysts, modelling
174 Statisticians
175 Technologists and technicians in the mathematical sciences
176 OTHER mathematical scientists

## Physical Scientists

191 Astronomers
192 Atmospheric and space scientists
193 Chemists, except biochemists
194 Geologists, including earth scientists
195 Oceanographers
196 Physicists
197 Technologists and technicians in the physical sciences
198 OTHER physical scientists
*** Research Associates/Assistants
(Select the code that comes closest to your field)

Sales and Marketing
200 Insurance, securities, real estate, \& business services
201 Sales Occupations - Commodities Except Retail (e.g., industrial machinery/equipment/supplies, medical and dental equip/supplies)
202 Sales Occupations - Retail
(e.g., furnishings, clothing, motor vehicles, cosmetics)

203 OTHER marketing and sales occupations

Service Occupations, Except Health (Also see 111-114)
221 Food Preparation and Service (e.g., cooks, waitresses, bartenders)
222 Protective services (e.g., fire fighters, police, guards)
223 OTHER service occupations, except health

## Social Scientists

231 Anthropologists
232 Economists
233 Historians, science and technology
234 Historians, except science and technology
235 Political scientists
236 Psychologists, including clinical (Also see 070)
237 Sociologists
238 OTHER social scientist

## 240 Social Workers

## Teachers/Professors

251 Pre-Kindergarten and kindergarten
252 Elementary
253 Secondary - computer, math, or sciences
254 Secondary - social sciences
255 Secondary - other subjects
256 Special education - primary and secondary
257 OTHER precollegiate area
*** Postsecondary
271 Agriculture
272 Art, Drama, and Music
273 Biological Sciences
274 Business Commerce and Marketing
275 Chemistry
276 Computer Science
277 Earth, Environmental, and Marine Science
278 Economics
279 Education
280 Engineering
281 English
282 Foreign Language
283 History
284 Home Economics
285 Law
286 Mathematical Sciences
287 Medical Science
288 Physical Education
289 Physics
290 Political Science
291 Psychology
292 Social Work
293 Sociology
294 Theology
295 Trade and Industrial
296 OTHER health specialties
297 OTHER natural sciences
298 OTHER social sciences
299 OTHER Postsecondary

Other Professions
401 Construction trades, miners \& well drillers
402 Mechanics and repairers
403 Precision/production occupations
(e.g., metal workers, woodworkers, butchers, bakers, printing
occupations, tailors, shoemakers, photographic process)
404 Operators and related occupations
(e.g., machine set-up, machine operators and tenders,
fabricators, assemblers)
405 Transportation/material moving occupations

500 Other Occupations (Not Listed)

## THANK YOU FOR COMPLETING THE QUESTIONNAIRE

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