**ASK ALL:**

Q.2 Next, please tell me whether you are satisfied or dissatisfied, on the whole, with the following aspects of your life: (First/Next) **[INSERT ITEM; RANDOMIZE]** **[READ FOR FIRST ITEM, THEN AS NECESSARY:** Are you satisfied or dissatisfied?]

**REQUIRED PROBE:** Would you say you are VERY (dis)satisfied or SOMEWHAT (dis)satisfied

a. Your family life

b. Your personal financial situation

**NO ITEM C**

e.F2 The kind of work you do

**RESPONSE CATEGORIES:**

1. Very satisfied
2. Somewhat satisfied
3. Somewhat dissatisfied
4. Very dissatisfied
5. Does not apply **(VOL.)**

9 Don’t know/Refused **(VOL.)**

Q.6F2 Thinking now about job opportunities where you live, would you say there are plenty of good jobs available or are good jobs difficult to find?

1 Plenty of good jobs available

2 Good jobs are difficult to find

3 Lots of some jobs, few of others **(VOL.)**

9 Don’t know/Refused **(VOL.)**

**ask all:**

Q.7 Overall, do you think **[INSERT ITEM; RANDOMIZE; OBSERVE FORM SPLITS]** has done more to help or hurt American workers? How about **[NEXT ITEM]**?

**REPEAT IF NECESSARY:** Has this done more to help or hurt American workers?

e.F2 The increased use of contract or temporary workers

f.F2 Increased outsourcing of jobs to other countries

g.F2 The internet, email and other office technology

h.F2 More U.S.-made products being sold in other countries

**RESPONSE CATEGORIES**

1 Help

2 Hurt

3 Not much effect **(VOL.)**

9 Don’t know/Refused **(VOL.)**

**ASK ALL:**

Q.8 How much responsibility should each of the following have in making sure that the American workforce has the right skills and education to be successful in today’s economy? First, do you think **[Insert item; Randomize]** should have a lot of responsibility, some responsibility, only a little responsibility, or no responsibility at all? How about **[NEXT ITEM]**? **[RePEAT IF necessary]** (Should they/ Should it) have a lot of responsibility, some responsibility, only a little responsibility, or no responsibility at all in making sure that the American workforce has the right skills and education to be successful in today’s economy?

d.F2 State governments

e.F2 Employers

f.F2 Colleges and universities

**Response categories:**

1 A lot

2 Some

3 Only a little

4 None

9 Don't know/Refused **(VOL.)**

**ASK FORM A ONLY:**

Q.11FA In general, how well do you think a four-year degree from a college or university prepares someone for a well-paying job in today’s economy? **(READ)**

1. Very well
2. Somewhat well
3. Not too well [OR]
4. Not at all well
5. **(VOL. DO NOT READ)** Depends on the person/job
6. **(VOL. DO NOT READ)** Don’t know/Refused

**ASK FORM B ONLY:**

Q.12FB In general, how well do you think a two-year degree from a community college prepares someone for a well-paying job in today’s economy? **(READ)**

1. Very well
2. Somewhat well
3. Not too well [OR]
4. Not at all well
5. **(VOL. DO NOT READ)** Depends on the person/job
6. **(VOL. DO NOT READ)** Don’t know/Refused

**ASK FORM C ONLY:**

Q.13FC In general, how well do you think a certificate in a professional, technical or vocational field prepares someone for a well-paying job in today’s economy? **(READ)**

1. Very well
2. Somewhat well
3. Not too well [OR]
4. Not at all well
5. **(VOL. DO NOT READ)** Depends on the person/job

9 **(VOL. DO NOT READ)** Don’t know/Refused

**ASK ALL:**

EDUC What is the highest level of school you have completed or the highest degree you have received? **[DO NOT READ] [INTERVIEWER NOTE:** Enter code 3-HS grad if R completed training that did NOT count toward a degree**]**

1 Less than high school (Grades 1-8 or no formal schooling)

2 High school incomplete (Grades 9-11 or Grade 12 with NO diploma)

3 High school graduate (Grade 12 with diploma or GED certificate)

4 Some college, no degree (includes some community college)

5 Two year associate degree from a college or university

6 Four year college or university degree/Bachelor’s degree (e.g., BS, BA, AB)

7 Some postgraduate or professional schooling, no postgraduate degree (e.g. some graduate school)

8 Postgraduate or professional degree, including master’s, doctorate, medical or law degree (e.g., MA, MS, PhD, MD, JD, graduate school)

99 Don't know/Refused **(VOL.)**

**ASK ALL:**

SCHL Are you currently enrolled in school?

**[IF YES, PROBE TO DETERMINE IF ATTENDING HIGH SCHOOL, TECHNICAL TRADE OR VOCATIONAL SCHOOL, A COLLEGE UNDERGRADUATE IN TWO-YEAR COLLEGE, A COLLEGE UNDERGRADUATE IN FOUR-YEAR COLLEGE OR IN GRADUATE SCHOOL]**

1 Yes, in High School

2 Yes, in Technical, trade, or vocational school

3 Yes, in 2-year college

4 Yes, in 4-year college

5 Yes, in Graduate School

6 No

9 Don’t know/Refused **(VOL.)**

**ASK ALL:**

E1Are you currently retired?

1 Yes

2 Yes, semi-retired or “still do some type of work” **(VOL.)**

3 No

4 Disabled **(VOL.)**

9 Don’t know/Refused **(VOL.)**

**ASK ALL:**

E3 **(IF E1=1,2**: Some people who have retired do some type of work for pay…/**IF SCHL=1-5**: Some students also do some type of work for pay/**IF E1=4:** Some people who are disabled do some type of work for pay…) Are you now employed full-time, part-time or not employed?

1 Full-time

2 Part-time

3 Not employed

9 Don't know/Refused **(VOL.)**

**NO QUESTIONS 14 through 15**

**ASK IF EMPLOYED (E3=1, 2):**

Q.16 How many jobs do you now have?

ENTER NUMBER (Range 1 to 8)

9 Don’t know/Refused

**ASK IF MORE THAN ONE JOB (Q16=2-8):**

Q.17 Do you consider one of those jobs your primary job, or not?

1. Yes
2. No
3. Don’t know/Refused **(VOL.)**

**ASK FORM 1: IF EMPLOYED AND HAS ONLY ONE JOB OR HAS MULTIPLE JOBS AND CONSIDERS ONE TO BE THE PRIMARY JOB (Q16=1 OR Q17=1):**

Q.21F1 Here are two different ways of looking at your job. Some people get a sense of identity from their job. For other people, their job is JUST what they do for a living. Which of these best describes the way you usually feel about your job?

1              Sense of identity

2              Just what do for a living

9              Don’t know/Refused **(VOL.)**

**ASK FORM 2: IF EMPLOYED AND HAS ONLY ONE JOB OR HAS MULTIPLE JOBS AND CONSIDERS ONE TO BE THE PRIMARY JOB (Q16=1 OR Q17=1):**

Q.22F2 Do you think of your current job as a career, a stepping stone to a career, or do you think of it as just a job to get you by?

1 A career

2 A stepping stone to a career

3 Just a job to get you by

9 Don’t know/Refused **(VOL.)**

**ASK IF EMPLOYED AND HAS ONLY ONE JOB OR HAS MULTIPLE JOBS AND CONSIDERS ONE TO BE THE PRIMARY JOB (Q16=1 OR Q17=1):**

Q.23 Still thinking about your **(IF Q16=1:** current**/IF Q17=1**: primary**)** job, would you say you have more qualifications than the job requires, the right amount of qualifications, or only some of the qualifications the job requires?

1 More

2 Right amount

3 Only some

9 Don’t know/Refused **(VOL.)**

**NO Questions 24 through 26**

**ASK IF EMPLOYED AND HAS ONLY ONE JOB OR HAS MULTIPLE JOBS AND CONSIDERS ONE TO BE THE PRIMARY JOB AND has AT LEAST A HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA [(Q16=1 OR Q17=1) AND (EDUC=3-8)]:**

Q.27 For the most part, do you think someone without **[IF EDUC=3:** a high school diploma**/IF EDUC=4:** any college experience**/IF EDUC=5:** an associate’s degree**/IF EDUC=6,7:** a four-year college degree**/IF EDUC=8:** a postgraduate or professional degree] could develop the skills and knowledge needed to do your job, or don’t you think so?

1. Yes
2. No

9 Don’t know/Refused **(VOL.)**

**ASK IF NOT RETIRED (E1=3):**

Q.32 Looking ahead, how important do you think it will be for you to get training and develop new skills throughout your work life in order to keep up with changes in the workplace? Will it be … **(READ)**?

1. Essential
2. Important, but not essential [OR]
3. Not important
4. **(VOL. DO NOT READ)** Retiring soon

9 **(VOL. DO NOT READ)** Don’t know/Refused

**ASK IF EMPLOYED (E3=1,2):**

Q.35 In general, do you feel you have the education and training necessary to get ahead in your job or career, OR do you need more education and training?

1 Have necessary education and training

2 Need more

9 Don’t know/Refused **(VOL.)**

**ASK ALL:**

Q.49 Thinking about college, which comes closer to your view, even if neither is exactly right. The main purpose of college should be… **[READ AND ROTATE]**

**1 To help an individual grow personally and intellectually [OR]**

**2 To teach specific skills and knowledge that can be used in the workplace**

**3 [VOL. DO NOT READ] Both equally**

**9 [VOL. DO NOT READ] Don’t know/Refused**

**ASK IF GRADUATED FROM TWO YEAR OR FOUR-YEAR COLLEGE (EDUC=5,6,7,8):**

Q.50 Now thinking about your own experience, how useful was your college education in [**Insert item, Randomize**]? Would you say it was very useful, somewhat useful, not too useful or not at all useful? And how useful was your college education in [**Next ITEM**]? [**REPEAT IF NECESSARY:** Was it very useful, somewhat useful, not too useful or not at all useful?]

1. Helping you develop specific skills and knowledge that could be used in the workplace
2. Helping you grow personally and intellectually
3. Opening doors to job opportunities

**Response Categories:**

1. **Very useful**
2. **Somewhat useful**
3. **Not too useful**
4. **Not at all useful**

**9 Don’t know/Refused (VOL.)**

**ASK ALL:**

Q.53 How important is each of the following for a worker to be successful in today’s economy? First **[INSERT ITEM, RANDOMIZE]** W**ould you say this is extremely important, very important, somewhat important, not too important or not at all important for a worker to be successful in today’s economy? How about [NEXT ITEM]? [REPEAT for the 2nd item, then IF NECESSARY]:** W**ould you say this is extremely important, very important, somewhat important, not too important or not at all important for a worker to be successful in today’s economy?**

e.F2 Mastering social media

f.F2 Training in math and science

g.F2 Knowing a computer or programming language

h.F2 Being able to work with people from many different backgrounds

**QUESTION 53 CONTINUED …**

**RESPONSE CATEGORIES:**

1 Extremely important

2 Very important

3 Somewhat important

4 Not too important

5 Not at all important

9 Don’t know/Refused **(VOL.)**

**ASK IF EMPLOYED AND HAS ONLY ONE JOB OR HAS MULTIPLE JOBS AND CONSIDERS ONE TO BE THE PRIMARY JOB (Q16=1 OR Q17=1):**

Q.54 How important is it that you have each of the following skills to do your job? First [**INSERT ITEM, RANDOMIZE; ITEM f. SHOULD ALWAYS COME AFTER ITEM e.]** is it extremely important, very important, somewhat important, not too important or not at all important that you have this skill in order to do your job. How about **[NEXT ITEM]**? **[REPEAT for the 2nd and 3rd items, and then if NECESSARY]:** is it extremely important, very important, somewhat important, not too important or not at all important that you have this skill in order to do your job?

1. Interpersonal skills such as patience and compassion and getting along with people
2. Good written and spoken communications skills
3. Management or leadership skills
4. The ability to operate, build or repair machinery or equipment
5. Basic computer skills, such as word processing or creating spreadsheets
6. High level math, analytical or computer skills
7. Critical thinking skills such as evaluating facts and making informed decisions
8. The ability to do physical or manual work or use hand tools

**RESPONSE CATEGORIES:**

1. Extremely important
2. Very important
3. Somewhat important
4. Not too important
5. Not at all important

9 Don’t know/Refused **(VOL.)**

**ASK ALL:**

Now, just a few questions for statistical purposes only.

SEX **[ENTER RESPONDENT'S SEX:]**

1 Male

2 Female

**ASK ALL:**

AGE What is your age?

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ years

97 97 or older

99 Don’t know/Refused **(VOL.)**

**ASK ALL:**

MARITAL Are you currently married, living with a partner, divorced, separated, widowed, or have you never been married? **(IF R SAYS “SINGLE,” PROBE TO DETERMINE WHICH CATEGORY IS APPROPRIATE)**

1 Married

2 Living with a partner

3 Divorced

4 Separated

5 Widowed

6 Never been married

9 Don't know/Refused **(VOL.)**

**ASK ALL:**

PARENT Are you the parent or guardian of any children under 18 now living in your household?

1 Yes

2 No

9 Don’t know/Refused **(VOL.)**

**ASK ALL:**

HISP Are you of Hispanic, Latino, or Spanish origin, such as Mexican, Puerto Rican or Cuban?

1 Yes

2 No

9 Don't know/Refused **(VOL.)**

**ASK ALL:**

RACE Which of the following describes your race? You can select as many as apply. White, Black or African American, Asian or Asian American or some other race. **[RECORD UP TO FOUR IN ORDER MENTIONED BUT DO NOT PROBE FOR ADDITIONAL] [IF R VOLS MIXED BIRACIAL, PROBE ONCE:** What race or races is that?]

1 White (e.g., Caucasian, European, Irish, Italian, Arab, Middle Eastern)

2 Black or African-American (e.g., Negro, Kenyan, Nigerian, Haitian)

3 Asian or Asian-American (e.g., Asian Indian, Chinese, Filipino, Vietnamese or other Asian origin groups)

4 Some other race **(SPECIFY\_\_\_\_ IF NEEDED**: What race or races is that?**)**

5 Native American/American Indian/Alaska Native **(VOL.)**

6 Pacific Islander/Native Hawaiian **(VOL.)**

7 Hispanic/Latino **(VOL.)** (e.g., Mexican, Puerto Rican, Cuban)

8 Don't know **(VOL.)**

9 Refused (e.g., non-race answers like American, Human, purple) **(VOL.)**

**ASK IF HISPANIC (HISP=1 OR RACE=7):**

BIRTH\_HISP Were you born in the United States, on the island of Puerto Rico, or in another country?

1 U.S.

2 Puerto Rico

3 Another country

9 Don't know/Refused **(VOL.)**

**ASK IF NOT HISPANIC (HISP=2,9 AND RACE≠7):**

USBORN1A Were you born in the United States or in another country?

1 Yes, born in U.S.

2 No, some other country

3 Puerto Rico **(VOL.)**

4 Other U.S. Territories (includes Guam, Samoa, U.S. Virgin Islands) **(VOL.)**

9 Don't know/Refused **(VOL.)**

**ASK ALL:**

On another subject,

RELIG What is your present religion, if any? Are you Protestant, Roman Catholic, Mormon, Orthodox such as Greek or Russian Orthodox, Jewish, Muslim, Buddhist, Hindu, atheist, agnostic, something else, or nothing in particular?

**[INTERVIEWER: IF R VOLUNTEERS “nothing in particular, none, no religion, etc.” BEFORE REACHING END OF LIST, PROMPT WITH: And would you say that’s atheist, agnostic, or just nothing in particular?]**

1. Protestant (Baptist, Methodist, Non-denominational, Lutheran, Presbyterian, Pentecostal, Episcopalian, Reformed, Church of Christ, Jehovah’s Witness, etc.)

2 Roman Catholic (Catholic)

3 Mormon (Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints/LDS)

4 Orthodox (Greek, Russian, or some other orthodox church)

5 Jewish (Judaism)

6 Muslim (Islam)

7 Buddhist

8 Hindu

9 Atheist (do not believe in God)

10 Agnostic (not sure if there is a God)

11 Something else **(SPECIFY:\_\_\_\_\_\_)**

12 Nothing in particular

13 Christian **(VOL.)**

14 Unitarian (Universalist) **(VOL.)**

99 Don't Know/Refused **(VOL.)**

**ASK IF SOMETHING ELSE OR DK/REF (RELIG=11, 99):**

CHR Do you think of yourself as a Christian or not? **[IF R NAMED A NON-CHRISTIAN RELIGION IN PREVIOUS QUESTION (e.g. Native American, Wiccan, Pagan, etc.), DO NOT READ (ENTER "NO" CODE 2)]**

1 Yes

2 No

9 Don't know/Refused **(VOL.)**

**ASK IF CHRISTIAN (RELIG=1-4, 13 OR CHR=1):**

BORN Would you describe yourself as a "born again" or evangelical Christian, or not?

1 Yes, would

2 No, would not

9 Don't know/Refused **(VOL.)**

**ASK ALL:**

ATTEND Aside from weddings and funerals, how often do you attend religious services... more than once a week, once a week, once or twice a month, a few times a year, seldom, or never?

1 More than once a week

2 Once a week

3 Once or twice a month

4 A few times a year

5 Seldom

6 Never

9 Don't know/Refused **(VOL.)**

**ASK ALL:**

INCOME Last year, that is in 2015, what was your total family income from all sources, before taxes? Just stop me when I get to the right category. **[READ]**

1 Less than $10,000

2 10 to under $20,000

3 20 to under $30,000

4 30 to under $40,000

5 40 to under $50,000

6 50 to under $75,000

7 75 to under $100,000

8 100 to under $150,000 [OR]

9 $150,000 or more

99 **[VOL. DO NOT READ]** Don't know/Refused

**ASK ALL:**

REG Which of these statements best describes you? **[READ IN ORDER] [INSTRUCTION: BE SURE TO CLARIFY WHETHER RESPONDENT IS ABSOLUTELY CERTAIN THEY ARE REGISTERED OR ONLY PROBABLY REGISTERED; IF RESPONDENT VOLUNTEERS THAT THEY ARE IN NORTH DAKOTA AND DON’T HAVE TO REGISTER, PUNCH 1]**

1 Are you ABSOLUTELY CERTAIN that you are registered to vote at your current address [OR]

2 Are you PROBABLY registered, but there is a chance your registration has lapsed [OR]

3 Are you NOT registered to vote at your current address

9 **[VOL. DO NOT READ]** Don’t know/Refused

**ASK ALL:**

PARTY In politics TODAY, do you consider yourself a Republican, Democrat, or independent?

1 Republican

2 Democrat

3 Independent

4 No preference **(VOL.)**

5 Other party **(VOL.)**

9 Don't know/Refused **(VOL.)**

**ASK IF INDEP/NO PREF/OTHER/DK/REF (PARTY=3,4,5,9):**

PARTYLN As of today do you lean more to the Republican Party or more to the Democratic Party?

1 Republican

2 Democrat

9 Other/Don't know/Refused **(VOL.)**

**ASK ALL:**

IDEO In general, would you describe your political views as... **[READ]**

1 Very conservative

2 Conservative

3 Moderate

4 Liberal [OR]

5 Very liberal

9 **[VOL. DO NOT READ]** Don't know/Refused

**ASK ALL:**

OWNRENT Do you own or rent your home [**IF AGE < 35:** or do you live in a dorm or live with your parents]?

1 Own

2 Rent

3 Live in a dorm

4 Live with parents

5 Other arrangement **(VOL.)**

9 Don’t know/Refused **(VOL.)**

**ASK ALL:**

LABOR (**IF MARITAL=2-9:** Are you/**IF MARITAL=1:** Are you, or is your spouse,) a member of a labor union?

1 Yes, respondent is

2 Yes, spouse is

3 Yes, both

4 No, neither are

9 Don't know/Refused **(VOL.)**

**ASK ALL:**

HH1 How many people, including yourself, live in your household?

**INTERVIEWER NOTE: HOUSEHOLD MEMBERS INCLUDE PEOPLE WHO THINK OF THIS HOUSEHOLD AS THEIR PRIMARY PLACE OF RESIDENCE, INCLUDING THOSE WHO ARE TEMPORARILY AWAY ON BUSINESS, VACATION, IN A HOSPITAL, OR AWAY AT SCHOOL**. **THIS INCLUDES INFANTS, CHILDREN AND ADULTS.**

\_\_\_\_\_\_ Enter number 1-7

8 8 or more

9 Don’t know/Refused

**ASK IF MORE THAN ONE PERSON IN HH (HH1>1):**

HH3 How many, including yourself, are adults, age 18 and older?

\_\_\_\_\_\_ Enter number 1-7

8 8 or more

9 Don’t know/Refused

**ASK ALL LANDLINE SAMPLE:**

L1. Now thinking about your telephone use… Do you have a working cell phone?

1 Yes, have cell phone

2 No, do not

9 Don't know/Refused **(VOL.)**

**ASK IF NO CELL PHONE AND MULTI-PERSON HOUSEHOLD (L1=2,9 AND HH1>1):**

L1a. Does anyone in your household have a working cell phone?

1 Yes, someone in household has cell phone

2 No

9 Don't know/Refused **(VOL.)**

**ASK ALL CELL PHONE SAMPLE:**

C1. Now thinking about your telephone use… Is there at least one telephone INSIDE your home that is currently working and is not a cell phone?

1 Yes home telephone

2 No, home telephone

9 Don't know/Refused **(VOL.)**

**ASK ALL:**

ZIPCODE What is your zipcode?

\_\_\_\_\_ Enter Zipcode

9 Don’t know/Refused

**END OF INTERVIEW**

**ASK ALL:**

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