

**2021 PEW RESEARCH CENTER'S AMERICAN TRENDS PANEL
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TOTAL N=10,334**

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	Sample size	Margin of error at 95% confidence level
U.S. adults	10,334	+/- 1.6 percentage points
Lower income	2,193	+/- 3.4 percentage points
Middle income	4,872	+/- 2.2 percentage points
Upper income	2,823	+/- 2.6 percentage points

ASK ALL:

SATLIFE

Please tell us whether you are **[RANDOMIZE: (satisfied) or (dissatisfied)]** with the following aspects of your life. **[RANDOMIZE ITEMS; SHOW RESPONSE OPTIONS IN SAME ORDER AS STEM]**

a. Your family life

<u>Total</u>		<u>Lower income</u>	<u>Middle income</u>	<u>Upper income</u>
47	Very satisfied	38	49	55
37	Somewhat satisfied	38	37	34
11	Somewhat dissatisfied	15	10	7
6	Very dissatisfied	10	4	3
*	No answer	*	*	*

b. Your social life

<u>Total</u>		<u>Lower income</u>	<u>Middle income</u>	<u>Upper income</u>
21	Very satisfied	22	21	20
42	Somewhat satisfied	40	43	42
27	Somewhat dissatisfied	25	27	30
10	Very dissatisfied	13	8	7
*	No answer	*	*	*

NO ITEM c

d. Your current job or career

<u>Total</u>		<u>Lower income</u>	<u>Middle income</u>	<u>Upper income</u>
22	Very satisfied	13	25	34
30	Somewhat satisfied	27	32	30
10	Somewhat dissatisfied	10	11	9
6	Very dissatisfied	8	4	4
32	Not employed	41	28	23
*	No answer	1	*	*

TREND:

	<u>Very satisfied</u>	<u>Somewhat satisfied</u>	<u>Somewhat dissatisfied</u>	<u>Very dissatisfied</u>	<u>No answer</u>
a. Your family life					
Sep 16-29, 2019	47	37	11	5	*
Jun 25-Jul 8, 2019	46	36	13	5	*
May 14-24, 2019	52	36	8	4	*
Feb 26-Mar 11, 2018	46	38	11	5	*
Aug 8-21, 2017	39	39	15	6	*
Nov 17-Dec 1, 2016	46	38	13	4	*
b. Your social life					
Sep 16-29, 2019	28	46	19	7	*
Jun 25-Jul 8, 2019	28	45	20	7	*
Feb 26-Mar 11, 2018	27	46	19	8	*
Aug 8-21, 2017	24	46	21	8	*

TREND FOR COMPARISON:**ASK IF EMPLOYED¹:**

	<u>Very satisfied</u>	<u>Somewhat satisfied</u>	<u>Somewhat dissatisfied</u>	<u>Very dissatisfied</u>	<u>No answer</u>
d. Your current job or career					
Jun 25-Jul 8, 2019	29	45	17	9	1
May 14-24, 2019	37	46	12	5	*
Feb 26-Mar 11, 2018	29	46	16	8	1
Aug 8-21, 2017	27	42	21	10	1
Nov 17-Dec 1, 2016	30	45	16	8	1

ASK ALL:

PERSFNC

Thinking about your personal finances...How would you rate your own personal financial situation? Would you say you are in...

<u>Total</u>		<u>Lower income</u>	<u>Middle income</u>	<u>Upper income</u>
12	Excellent shape	4	10	33
41	Good shape	23	48	53
32	Only fair shape	44	33	12
14	Poor shape	30	9	2
*	No Answer	*	*	*

TREND:

	<u>Excellent shape</u>	<u>Good shape</u>	<u>Only fair shape</u>	<u>Poor shape</u>	<u>No answer</u>
Apr 7-12, 2020	7	40	37	16	*
Jul 22-Aug 4, 2019	10	40	34	15	1

¹ The 2019 and earlier surveys asked this item only of respondents who had previously said they were employed and did not include the "Not employed" response option from the 2021 survey.

ASK ALL:

CVDECON1 Compared with one year ago, is the financial situation of you and your family now...

<u>Total</u>		<u>Lower income</u>	<u>Middle income</u>	<u>Upper income</u>
30	Better	22	32	39
21	Worse	31	18	11
49	About the same	46	49	50
*	No answer	*	*	*

ASK IF IN WORSE SHAPE COMPARED WITH ONE YEAR AGO (CVDECON1=2) [n=1,907]:

CVDECON2 Considering everything, how long do you think it will take for the financial situation of you and your family to get back to where it was a year ago?

<u>Total</u>		<u>Lower income</u>	<u>Middle income</u>	<u>Upper income</u>
12	Less than a year	12	13	11
43	1-2 years	41	45	47
26	3-5 years	24	27	30
6	6-10 years	8	5	2
1	More than 10 years	1	1	1
12	It will never get back to where it was	14	10	8
*	No answer	*	*	*

ASK ALL:

E_COVIDMOD Which of the following best describes your current employment situation?

<u>Total</u>		<u>Lower income</u>	<u>Middle income</u>	<u>Upper income</u>
44	Employed full-time	25	51	61
12	Employed part-time	16	10	8
18	Retired	14	20	20
3	Furloughed or temporarily laid off	5	3	1
22	Not employed	39	16	10
1	No answer	1	*	*

ASK IF FURLOUGHED OR NOT EMPLOYED (E_COVIDMOD=4,5) [n=2,071]:

E6 Are you currently looking for work?

<u>Total</u>		<u>Lower income</u>	<u>Middle income</u>	<u>Upper income</u>
37	Yes, looking for work	42	33	28
62	No, not looking for work	57	66	72
1	No answer	1	1	1

ASK IF NOT EMPLOYED AND NOT CURRENTLY LOOKING FOR WORK (E_COVIDMOD=5 AND E6=2) [n=1,239]:

E6aMOD What is the main reason why you aren't currently looking for work? Is it mainly because you...

ASK IF FURLOUGHED AND NOT CURRENTLY LOOKING FOR WORK (E_COVIDMOD=4 AND E6=2) [n=106]:

E6aMOD_FURL What is the main reason why you aren't currently looking for work? Is it mainly because you...

BASED ON FURLOUGHED/NOT EMPLOYED AND NOT CURRENTLY LOOKING FOR WORK [n=1,345]:

<u>Total</u>		<u>Lower income</u>	<u>Middle income</u>	<u>Upper income</u>
17	Choose not to work	9	24	-
4	Looked but couldn't find a job	5	3	-
4	Expect to return to your job (among furloughed only)	4	3	-
74	Some other reason (Specify)	81	69	-
1	No answer	1	*	-

TREND FOR COMPARISON:

	<u>Choose not to work</u>	<u>Couldn't find a job</u>	<u>Other reason</u>	<u>Don't know/Refused (VOL.)</u>
May 25-Jun 29, 2016 ²	24	3	72	1

ASK IF WORKING PART TIME (E_COVIDMOD=2) [n=1,133]:

ES4 Would you prefer to be working full-time?

<u>Total</u>		<u>Lower income</u>	<u>Middle income</u>	<u>Upper income</u>
52	Yes, would prefer to be working full-time	73	38	-
48	No, would not prefer to be working full-time	27	62	-
*	No answer	*	0	-

TREND FOR COMPARISON:

	<u>Yes, prefer full-time</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Don't know/Refused (VOL.)</u>
May 11-31, 2010 ³	47	52	1

² In the 2016 survey, the question wording was: "Is that because you don't want to work right now, or because you looked but couldn't find a job, or for some other reason?" Additionally, the 2016 survey was conducted via telephone (landline and cellphone), and due to the [difference in modes](#), results may not be directly comparable to those of the 2021 survey that was conducted online.

³ The 2010 survey was conducted via telephone (landline and cellphone), and due to the [difference in modes](#), results may not be directly comparable to those of the 2021 survey that was conducted online.

ASK IF NOT EMPLOYED AND LOOKING FOR WORK OR A DISCOURAGED WORKER (E6=1 OR E6aMOD=2 OR E6aMOD_FURL=2) [n=753]:

CVDECON3 At the moment, what is your current outlook on finding a job in the near future? **[SHOW RESPONSE OPTIONS IN REVERSE ORDER FOR RANDOM HALF OF SAMPLE]**

<u>Total</u>		<u>Lower income</u>	<u>Middle income</u>	<u>Upper income</u>
15	Very optimistic	18	10	-
36	Somewhat optimistic	35	40	-
31	Somewhat pessimistic	29	32	-
18	Very pessimistic	18	18	-
0	No answer	0	0	-

TREND FOR COMPARISON:

	<u>Very optimistic</u>	<u>Somewhat optimistic</u>	<u>Somewhat pessimistic</u>	<u>Very pessimistic</u>	<u>Don't know/Refused (VOL.)</u>
May 11-31, 2010 ⁴	23	42	14	16	6

ASK IF NOT EMPLOYED AND LOOKING FOR WORK OR A DISCOURAGED WORKER (E6=1 OR E6aMOD=2 OR E6aMOD_FURL=2) [n=753]:

CVDECON4 How confident are you that you will be able to find a job with approximately the same income and benefits you earned in your last job?

<u>Total</u>		<u>Lower income</u>	<u>Middle income</u>	<u>Upper income</u>
13	Very confident	16	10	-
31	Somewhat confident	29	38	-
37	Not too confident	37	33	-
18	Not at all confident	17	19	-
1	No answer	1	*	-

TREND FOR COMPARISON:

	<u>Very confident</u>	<u>Somewhat confident</u>	<u>Not too confident</u>	<u>Not at all confident</u>	<u>Does not apply (VOL.)</u>	<u>Other (VOL.)</u>	<u>Don't know/Refused (VOL.)</u>
May 11-31, 2010 ⁵	26	32	15	23	2	*	1

⁴ The 2010 numbers are based on those currently unemployed and looking for work. The question wording was: "At the moment, what is your current outlook on finding a new job in the near future?" Additionally, the 2010 survey was conducted via telephone (landline and cellphone), and due to the [difference in modes](#), results may not be directly comparable to those of the 2021 survey that was conducted online.

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ASK IF NOT EMPLOYED AND LOOKING FOR WORK OR A DISCOURAGED WORKER (E6=1 OR E6aMOD=2 OR E6aMOD_FURL=2) [n=753]:

CVDECON5 In general, do you feel you have the education and training necessary to get a job?

<u>Total</u>		<u>Lower income</u>	<u>Middle income</u>	<u>Upper income</u>
69	Yes, I have necessary education and training	66	72	-
31	No, I need more education and training	34	28	-
*	No answer	*	0	-

ASK IF NOT EMPLOYED AND LOOKING FOR WORK OR A DISCOURAGED WORKER (E6=1 OR E6aMOD=2 OR E6aMOD_FURL=2) [n=753]:

CVDECON6 Since you have been unemployed, have you...

a. Seriously considered changing your occupation or field of work

<u>Total</u>		<u>Lower income</u>	<u>Middle income</u>	<u>Upper income</u>
65	Yes, I have done this	65	65	-
35	No, I have not done this	34	35	-
*	No answer	1	*	-

b. Pursued any job retraining programs or educational opportunities

<u>Total</u>		<u>Lower income</u>	<u>Middle income</u>	<u>Upper income</u>
33	Yes, I have done this	35	30	-
65	No, I have not done this	63	69	-
2	No answer	2	1	-

TREND FOR COMPARISON⁶:

	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Don't know/ Refused (VOL.)</u>
a. Changed your career or field, or seriously considered changing your career or field, or not May 11-31, 2010	52	47	1
b. Pursued any job retraining programs or educational opportunities, or not May 11-31, 2010	38	62	0

⁶ The 2010 numbers are based on those currently unemployed and looking for work. The 2010 survey was conducted via telephone (landline and cellphone), and due to the [difference in modes](#), results may not be directly comparable to those of the 2021 survey that was conducted online.

ASK IF FURLOUGHED OR NOT EMPLOYED (E_COVIDMOD=4,5) [n=2,071]:

CVDECON7 How long ago did you last work for pay, either full-time or part-time?
[OPEN END RESPONSES]

<u>Total</u>		<u>Lower income</u>	<u>Middle income</u>	<u>Upper income</u>
7	Less than 3 months	8	8	6
6	3-5 months	5	8	9
13	6-11 months	11	15	14
65	12 or more months	65	64	68
9	No answer	11	6	3

ASK ALL:

SCHLMOD Are you currently enrolled in school?

<u>Total</u>		<u>Lower income</u>	<u>Middle income</u>	<u>Upper income</u>
1	Yes, in high school	2	*	*
3	Yes, in 2-year college or technical, trade, or vocational school	5	3	1
7	Yes, in 4-year college or graduate school	9	6	7
88	No, not enrolled in school	83	90	92
*	No answer	*	*	*

ASK IF NOT EMPLOYED AND LOOKING FOR WORK OR A DISCOURAGED WORKER (E6=1 OR E6aMOD=2 OR E6aMOD_FURL=2) [n=753]:

CVDECON8 For each of the following, indicate whether or not it is something that happened to you as a result of being unemployed. **[RANDOMIZE ITEMS; SPLIT OVER TWO SCREENS]**

a. Felt more stressed than usual

<u>Total</u>		<u>Lower income</u>	<u>Middle income</u>	<u>Upper income</u>
69	Yes, has happened as a result of being unemployed	69	71	-
29	No, has not happened as a result of being unemployed	29	29	-
2	No answer	3	0	-

b. Had more conflicts or arguments than usual with your family and friends

<u>Total</u>		<u>Lower income</u>	<u>Middle income</u>	<u>Upper income</u>
42	Yes, has happened as a result of being unemployed	40	46	-
57	No, has not happened as a result of being unemployed	57	54	-
2	No answer	3	*	-

CVDECON8 CONTINUED ...

- c. Experienced more emotional or mental health issues, such as anxiety or depression, than usual

<u>Total</u>		<u>Lower income</u>	<u>Middle income</u>	<u>Upper income</u>
56	Yes, has happened as a result of being unemployed	52	64	-
43	No, has not happened as a result of being unemployed	46	36	-
1	No answer	2	0	-

- d. Felt like you lost a piece of your identity

<u>Total</u>		<u>Lower income</u>	<u>Middle income</u>	<u>Upper income</u>
53	Yes, has happened as a result of being unemployed	45	66	-
46	No, has not happened as a result of being unemployed	53	34	-
1	No answer	2	1	-

- e. Enjoyed not having to work for a while

<u>Total</u>		<u>Lower income</u>	<u>Middle income</u>	<u>Upper income</u>
55	Yes, has happened as a result of being unemployed	51	64	-
42	No, has not happened as a result of being unemployed	45	35	-
3	No answer	4	1	-

- f. Spent more time on hobbies or interests

<u>Total</u>		<u>Lower income</u>	<u>Middle income</u>	<u>Upper income</u>
63	Yes, has happened as a result of being unemployed	66	59	-
36	No, has not happened as a result of being unemployed	33	40	-
1	No answer	1	*	-

ASK ALL:

CVDECON9 Thinking about your situation in relation to most of the people you know...

Just your impression, has the economic impact from the coronavirus outbreak...

[RANDOMIZE RESPONSE OPTIONS 1 AND 2, WITH 3 ALWAYS LAST]

<u>Total</u>		<u>Lower income</u>	<u>Middle income</u>	<u>Upper income</u>
13	Hurt your finances MORE than those of most other people you know	24	10	6
39	Hurt your finances LESS than those of most other people you know	27	42	55
47	Impacted your finances about the same as it has most other people you know	48	48	39
1	No answer	1	*	*

ASK IF NOT RETIRED (E_COVIDMOD=1,2,4,5) [n=8,072]:CVDECON10 In the long run, do you think the economic impact of the coronavirus outbreak will make achieving your financial goals... **[SHOW RESPONSE OPTIONS IN REVERSE ORDER FOR RANDOM HALF OF SAMPLE]**

<u>Total</u>		<u>Lower income</u>	<u>Middle income</u>	<u>Upper income</u>
2	A lot easier	2	2	1
6	Somewhat easier	5	7	5
41	Neither easier nor harder	34	41	52
35	Somewhat harder	33	38	32
16	A lot harder	25	11	9
1	No answer	1	1	*

[RANDOMIZE SAVINGS AND SPENDING]**ASK ALL:**SAVINGS Since the coronavirus outbreak began in February 2020, have you... **[RANDOMIZE RESPONSE OPTIONS 1 AND 2, WITH 3 AND 4 ALWAYS LAST]**

<u>Total</u>		<u>Lower income</u>	<u>Middle income</u>	<u>Upper income</u>
16	Been able to put MORE money into savings than usual	8	17	30
22	Been able to put LESS money into savings than usual	25	23	16
32	Been able to put the SAME AMOUNT of money into savings as usual	18	35	46
29	Usually not able to put any money into savings	47	25	8
1	No answer	1	*	*

	Been able to put MORE money into savings than <u>usual</u>	Been able to put LESS money into savings than <u>usual</u>	Been able to put the SAME AMOUNT of money into savings as <u>usual</u>	Usually not able to put any money into <u>savings</u>	No <u>answer</u>
Aug 3-16, 2020 ⁷	13	25	30	31	1

ASK ALL:
SPENDING

Since the coronavirus outbreak began in February 2020, have you... **[RANDOMIZE RESPONSE OPTIONS 1 AND 2 IN SAME ORDER AS SAVINGS, WITH 3 ALWAYS LAST]**

<u>Total</u>		<u>Lower income</u>	<u>Middle income</u>	<u>Upper income</u>
19	Been spending MORE money than usual	26	17	11
42	Been spending LESS money than usual	34	43	53
39	Been spending about the SAME AMOUNT of money as usual	38	40	36
1	No answer	1	*	*

CVDECON11 Are you spending less money than usual mainly because...

		Lower income	Middle income	Upper income
Total				
32	You are worried about your personal finances	55	30	14
67	Your daily activities have changed due to coronavirus-related restrictions	44	70	86
1	No answer	1	*	*

CVDECON12 When the coronavirus outbreak began in February 2020, were you...

<u>Total</u>		<u>Lower income</u>	<u>Middle income</u>	<u>Upper income</u>
50	Employed full-time	35	55	64
13	Employed part-time	16	12	9
36	Not employed	48	32	26
1	No answer	2	1	*

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ASK ALL:

CVDECON13 Since the coronavirus outbreak began in February 2020, have any of the following happened to you personally? **[DISPLAY ITEMS IN ORDER]**

a. Been laid off or lost a job

<u>Total</u>		<u>Lower income</u>	<u>Middle income</u>	<u>Upper income</u>
16	Yes, has happened since the coronavirus outbreak began	23	14	7
47	No, has not happened since the coronavirus outbreak began	32	51	65
36	Not applicable (have not been employed since the coronavirus outbreak began)	43	34	27
1	No answer	1	*	*

b. Had to take a cut in pay due to reduced hours or demand for your work

<u>Total</u>		<u>Lower income</u>	<u>Middle income</u>	<u>Upper income</u>
20	Yes, has happened since the coronavirus outbreak began	25	19	15
41	No, has not happened since the coronavirus outbreak began	26	46	57
38	Not applicable (have not been employed since the coronavirus outbreak began)	47	34	28
1	No answer	2	1	*

c. Been furloughed or temporarily laid off

<u>Total</u>		<u>Lower income</u>	<u>Middle income</u>	<u>Upper income</u>
15	Yes, has happened since the coronavirus outbreak began	18	16	8
47	No, has not happened since the coronavirus outbreak began	33	50	63
38	Not applicable (have not been employed since the coronavirus outbreak began)	48	34	28
1	No answer	1	1	*

ASK IF MORE THAN ONE ADULT IN HOUSEHOLD (XHH3=1) [n=7,902]:

CVDECON14 What about other people currently living in your household? Since the coronavirus outbreak began in February 2020, has ANYONE ELSE in your immediate household... **[DISPLAY ITEMS IN ORDER]**

a. Been laid off or lost a job

<u>Total</u>		<u>Lower income</u>	<u>Middle income</u>	<u>Upper income</u>
20	Yes, has happened since the coronavirus outbreak began	28	18	11
51	No, has not happened since the coronavirus outbreak began	38	53	64
29	Not applicable	33	28	25
1	No answer	1	1	*

CVDECON14 CONTINUED ...

b. Had to take a cut in pay due to reduced hours or demand for your work

<u>Total</u>		<u>Lower income</u>	<u>Middle income</u>	<u>Upper income</u>
25	Yes, has happened since the coronavirus outbreak began	32	24	17
44	No, has not happened since the coronavirus outbreak began	32	46	57
31	Not applicable	35	29	26
1	No answer	1	1	*

c. Been furloughed or temporarily laid off

<u>Total</u>		<u>Lower income</u>	<u>Middle income</u>	<u>Upper income</u>
19	Yes, has happened since the coronavirus outbreak began	24	19	11
49	No, has not happened since the coronavirus outbreak began	38	50	63
32	Not applicable	37	30	26
1	No answer	1	1	*

ASK IF RESPONDENT OR SOMEONE IN HOUSEHOLD HAS BEEN LAID OFF, TAKEN A PAY CUT, OR BEEN FURLOUGHED (CVDECON13a=1 OR CVDECON13b=1 OR CVDECON13c=1 OR CVDECON14a=1 OR CVDECON14b=1 OR CVDECON14c=1) [n=4,136]:

CVDECON15 Since the coronavirus outbreak began in February 2020, have you done any of the following in order to cover any lost wages or salary? **[RANDOMIZE ORDER OF SCREENS 1-3, DISPLAY ITEMS IN ORDER ON EACH SCREEN]**

SCREEN 1

a. Used savings you had set aside for emergencies

<u>Total</u>		<u>Lower income</u>	<u>Middle income</u>	<u>Upper income</u>
52	Yes, have done this to cover lost wages or salary	66	49	29
47	No, have not done this to cover lost wages or salary	34	50	70
1	No answer	*	1	1

b. Used savings you had set aside for something else

<u>Total</u>		<u>Lower income</u>	<u>Middle income</u>	<u>Upper income</u>
52	Yes, have done this to cover lost wages or salary	65	49	32
46	No, have not done this to cover lost wages or salary	35	49	67
1	No answer	1	2	1

CVDECON15 CONTINUED ...

c. Taken on debt

<u>Total</u>		<u>Lower income</u>	<u>Middle income</u>	<u>Upper income</u>
38	Yes, have done this to cover lost wages or salary	48	38	17
61	No, have not done this to cover lost wages or salary	51	61	82
1	No answer	1	1	1

SCREEN 2

d. Received unemployment benefits

<u>Total</u>		<u>Lower income</u>	<u>Middle income</u>	<u>Upper income</u>
32	Yes, have done this to cover lost wages or salary	34	33	25
67	No, have not done this to cover lost wages or salary	66	66	75
1	No answer	*	1	*

e. Gone on public assistance other than unemployment benefits

<u>Total</u>		<u>Lower income</u>	<u>Middle income</u>	<u>Upper income</u>
15	Yes, have done this to cover lost wages or salary	29	10	1
84	No, have not done this to cover lost wages or salary	70	90	98
*	No answer	1	*	*

f. Cut back on your spending

<u>Total</u>		<u>Lower income</u>	<u>Middle income</u>	<u>Upper income</u>
71	Yes, have done this to cover lost wages or salary	81	69	55
28	No, have not done this to cover lost wages or salary	19	30	45
1	No answer	1	*	*

SCREEN 3

g. Put off paying your bills

<u>Total</u>		<u>Lower income</u>	<u>Middle income</u>	<u>Upper income</u>
30	Yes, have done this to cover lost wages or salary	42	27	13
69	No, have not done this to cover lost wages or salary	57	73	86
1	No answer	1	*	1

CVDECON15 CONTINUED ...

h. Borrowed money from family or friends

<u>Total</u>		<u>Lower income</u>	<u>Middle income</u>	<u>Upper income</u>
30	Yes, have done this to cover lost wages or salary	50	24	7
69	No, have not done this to cover lost wages or salary	49	76	92
1	No answer	1	*	1

i. Done any side jobs or temporary work outside of your regular job

<u>Total</u>		<u>Lower income</u>	<u>Middle income</u>	<u>Upper income</u>
37	Yes, have done this to cover lost wages or salary	48	34	20
62	No, have not done this to cover lost wages or salary	51	66	79
1	No answer	1	*	1

ASK IF EMPLOYED (E_COVIDMOD=1,2) [n=6,001]:

CVDECON16 Since the coronavirus outbreak began in February 2020, have any of the following happened to you? **[RANDOMIZE ITEMS]**

a. Gotten a pay raise or a higher-paying job

<u>Total</u>		<u>Lower income</u>	<u>Middle income</u>	<u>Upper income</u>
31	Yes, has happened since February 2020	31	30	33
69	No, has not happened since February 2020	69	70	67
*	No answer	1	*	*

b. Earned more money by working more overtime or longer hours

<u>Total</u>		<u>Lower income</u>	<u>Middle income</u>	<u>Upper income</u>
23	Yes, has happened since February 2020	30	24	15
76	No, has not happened since February 2020	70	76	84
*	No answer	1	*	*

c. Taken unpaid time off work for personal, family or medical reasons

<u>Total</u>		<u>Lower income</u>	<u>Middle income</u>	<u>Upper income</u>
20	Yes, has happened since February 2020	32	19	10
80	No, has not happened since February 2020	67	81	90
1	No answer	2	*	*

ASK IF RESPONDENT CURRENTLY EMPLOYED AND WAS EMPLOYED BEFORE CORONAVIRUS OUTBREAK BUT EXPERIENCED PAY CUT (E_COVIDMOD=1,2 AND CVDECON12=1,2 AND CVDECON13b=1) [n=1,446]:

POSTCOVIDPAYRMOD Which of the following best describes your current circumstances?

I am now earning... **[RANDOMIZE RESPONSE OPTIONS 1 AND 2, WITH 3 ALWAYS LAST]**

<u>Total</u>		<u>Lower income</u>	<u>Middle income</u>	<u>Upper income</u>
49	Less money than before the coronavirus outbreak	49	49	52
16	More money than before the coronavirus outbreak	18	15	16
34	About the same amount of money as before the coronavirus outbreak	33	36	33
*	No answer	*	*	0

ASK IF NOT RETIRED AND AGE 50 OR OLDER (E_COVIDMOD=1,2,4,5 AND XAGE=1) [n=3,568]:

CVDECON17 Have you delayed your retirement, or do you think you might have to delay your retirement, because of the coronavirus outbreak?

<u>Total</u>		<u>Lower income</u>	<u>Middle income</u>	<u>Upper income</u>
7	Yes, have delayed my retirement	8	7	6
17	Yes, think I might have to delay my retirement	14	19	16
72	No, have not done/don't think I'll have to do this	73	70	77
4	No answer	5	4	1

ASK ALL:

WORRY2

How often, if ever, do you worry about each of the following? **[RANDOMIZE ITEMS; SPLIT OVER TWO SCREENS]**

a. The amount of debt you have

<u>Total</u>		<u>Lower income</u>	<u>Middle income</u>	<u>Upper income</u>
16	Every day	26	15	6
14	Almost every day	15	16	7
28	Sometimes	26	30	25
19	Rarely	14	18	27
23	Never	18	21	34
*	No answer	1	*	*

WORRY2 CONTINUED ...**ASK IF EMPLOYED (E_COVIDMOD=1,2) [n=6,001]:**

b. Losing your job

<u>Total</u>		<u>Lower income</u>	<u>Middle income</u>	<u>Upper income</u>
10	Every day	18	8	4
6	Almost every day	10	5	4
29	Sometimes	28	30	29
32	Rarely	26	33	34
23	Never	17	23	29
*	No answer	*	*	*

c. Paying your bills

<u>Total</u>		<u>Lower income</u>	<u>Middle income</u>	<u>Upper income</u>
15	Every day	27	12	5
12	Almost every day	16	12	4
29	Sometimes	32	31	16
23	Rarely	13	25	31
22	Never	10	20	44
*	No answer	1	*	*

d. The cost of health care for you and your family

<u>Total</u>		<u>Lower income</u>	<u>Middle income</u>	<u>Upper income</u>
14	Every day	21	12	6
13	Almost every day	15	15	7
36	Sometimes	31	39	35
19	Rarely	17	18	27
18	Never	16	16	25
*	No answer	*	*	*

e. Being able to save enough for your retirement

<u>Total</u>		<u>Lower income</u>	<u>Middle income</u>	<u>Upper income</u>
15	Every day	23	14	8
14	Almost every day	16	14	10
34	Sometimes	27	38	38
17	Rarely	14	16	20
19	Never	19	17	23
1	No answer	2	1	*

WORRY2 CONTINUED ...**ASK IF EMPLOYED (E_COVIDMOD=1,2) [n=6,001]:**

f. Taking a cut in pay due to reduced hours or demand for your work

<u>Total</u>		<u>Lower income</u>	<u>Middle income</u>	<u>Upper income</u>
8	Every day	14	7	4
8	Almost every day	15	7	3
24	Sometimes	27	26	19
25	Rarely	21	25	30
34	Never	23	34	43
*	No answer	*	*	*

g. Paying your rent or mortgage

<u>Total</u>		<u>Lower income</u>	<u>Middle income</u>	<u>Upper income</u>
11	Every day	22	8	4
8	Almost every day	12	8	2
22	Sometimes	27	23	11
22	Rarely	16	24	25
36	Never	22	37	58
*	No answer	1	*	*

h. Being able to buy enough food for you and your family

<u>Total</u>		<u>Lower income</u>	<u>Middle income</u>	<u>Upper income</u>
10	Every day	19	7	3
8	Almost every day	13	7	1
20	Sometimes	30	19	6
23	Rarely	19	26	20
39	Never	18	42	69
*	No answer	1	*	*

TREND:

	<u>Every day</u>	<u>Almost every day</u>	<u>Sometimes</u>	<u>Rarely</u>	<u>Never</u>	<u>No answer</u>
a. The amount of debt you have						
Apr 7-12, 2020	19	17	28	18	17	*
Sep 16-29, 2019	24	16	26	16	16	1

ASK IF EMPLOYED:

b. Losing your job						
Apr 7-12, 2020	14	9	32	29	16	*
Sep 16-29, 2019	12	8	29	29	21	1

WORRY2 TREND CONTINUED ...

	<u>Every day</u>	<u>Almost every day</u>	<u>Sometimes</u>	<u>Rarely</u>	<u>Never</u>	<u>No answer</u>
c. Paying your bills						
Apr 7-12, 2020	21	16	29	21	12	*
Sep 16-29, 2019	25	16	28	18	12	1
d. The cost of health care for you and your family						
Apr 7-12, 2020	18	16	37	18	10	*
Sep 16-29, 2019	22	17	35	15	9	1
e. Being able to save enough for your retirement						
Apr 7-12, 2020	21	17	34	15	12	1
Sep 16-29, 2019	26	19	32	12	10	2

ASK IF EMPLOYED:

f. Taking a cut in pay due to reduced hours or demand for your work						
Apr 7-12, 2020	15	14	27	25	18	*

ASK ALL:

CVDECON18 Who should have the greatest responsibility for making sure people can meet their basic economic needs during the coronavirus outbreak? **[RANDOMIZE RESPONSE OPTIONS 1-4, WITH 5 ALWAYS LAST]**

<u>Total</u>		<u>Lower income</u>	<u>Middle income</u>	<u>Upper income</u>
33	People themselves or their families	24	36	43
45	The federal government	50	44	41
12	State or local governments	16	11	8
2	Charitable organizations	3	1	2
6	Other (Specify)	6	6	6
2	No answer	2	2	1

ASK ALL:

COVID_AIDPERS If you receive a payment from the federal government as part of the coronavirus aid package, or if you have already received a payment, how are you most likely to use the majority of the money? **[DISPLAY RESPONSE OPTIONS IN ORDER]**

<u>Total</u>		<u>Lower income</u>	<u>Middle income</u>	<u>Upper income</u>
14	Pay off debt	13	17	11
45	Pay bills or for something essential you or your family needs	58	46	20
4	Pay for something non-essential you or your family wants	4	4	6
19	Save it	11	23	24
5	Something else (Specify)	3	5	7
13	Won't get a payment/Not eligible	11	5	32
1	No answer	1	*	*

TREND:

	<u>Pay off debt</u>	<u>Pay bills or for something essential you or your family needs</u>	<u>Pay for something non-essential you or your family wants</u>	<u>Save it</u>	<u>Something else (Specify)</u>	<u>Won't get a payment/Not eligible</u>	<u>No answer</u>
Apr 7-12, 2020	12	46	3	18	6	15	1

ASK ALL:

COVID_AIDGOV Thinking about some different groups and the federal government's aid package that was passed and signed into law in December, how much do you think it will help each of the following groups? **[RANDOMIZE ITEMS]**

ASK FORM 1 ONLY [n=5,175]:

a. Small businesses

<u>Total</u>		<u>Lower income</u>	<u>Middle income</u>	<u>Upper income</u>
20	A great deal	30	17	12
33	A fair amount	31	35	34
38	Not too much	29	41	47
7	Not at all	8	6	6
1	No answer	2	*	1

b. Unemployed people

<u>Total</u>		<u>Lower income</u>	<u>Middle income</u>	<u>Upper income</u>
29	A great deal	36	26	24
32	A fair amount	30	33	34
34	Not too much	28	36	38
5	Not at all	6	5	4
1	No answer	1	*	*

COVID_AIDGOV CONTINUED ...**ASK FORM 2 ONLY [n=5,159]:**

c. Large businesses

<u>Total</u>		<u>Lower income</u>	<u>Middle income</u>	<u>Upper income</u>
25	A great deal	28	26	22
32	A fair amount	31	33	30
30	Not too much	26	30	35
11	Not at all	13	9	12
2	No answer	1	1	2

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f. You and your household

<u>Total</u>		<u>Lower income</u>	<u>Middle income</u>	<u>Upper income</u>
15	A great deal	28	12	4
26	A fair amount	29	29	13
42	Not too much	33	47	42
16	Not at all	10	11	40
1	No answer	1	*	*

TREND⁸:

	<u>A great deal</u>	<u>A fair amount</u>	<u>Not too much</u>	<u>Not at all</u>	<u>No answer</u>
ASK FORM 1 ONLY:					
a. Small businesses					
Apr 7-12, 2020	24	47	26	3	*
b. Unemployed people					
Apr 7-12, 2020	30	38	28	4	*
ASK FORM 2 ONLY:					
c. Large businesses					
Apr 7-12, 2020	35	42	17	4	2
f. You and your household					
Apr 7-12, 2020	14	31	39	15	*

⁸ In the 2020 survey, the question wording was: "Thinking about some different groups and the federal government's aid package, how much do you think it will help each of the following groups?"

ASK ALL:

SMBANFAR As you may know, some social media companies took action against President Trump's accounts following rioting at the U.S. Capitol in Washington D.C. on January 6. Do you think social media companies' decisions to ban President Trump from their platforms following these events were the... **[RANDOMIZE]**

<u>Total</u>		<u>Lower income</u>	<u>Middle income</u>	<u>Upper income</u>
58	RIGHT thing to do	63	54	58
41	WRONG thing to do	34	44	41
2	No answer	2	2	*

ASK FORM 1 ONLY [n=5,175]:

SMREMOVEF1 Thinking about the content posted by elected officials on social media, which statement comes closer to your own view, even if neither is exactly right?

Social media companies... **[RANDOMIZE]**

<u>Total</u>		<u>Lower income</u>	<u>Middle income</u>	<u>Upper income</u>
63	Should remove heated or aggressive content posted by elected officials if the companies think it could encourage some people to take violent action	67	60	62
35	Should NOT remove heated or aggressive content posted by elected officials even if the companies think it could encourage some people to take violent action	29	38	38
3	No answer	4	2	1

ASK FORM 2 ONLY [n=5,159]:

SMREMOVEF2 Thinking about the content posted by ordinary users on social media, which statement comes closer to your own view, even if neither is exactly right?

Social media companies... **[RANDOMIZE]**

<u>Total</u>		<u>Lower income</u>	<u>Middle income</u>	<u>Upper income</u>
63	Should remove heated or aggressive content posted by ordinary users if the companies think it could encourage some people to take violent action	69	60	63
35	Should NOT remove heated or aggressive content posted by ordinary users even if the companies think it could encourage some people to take violent action	28	39	36
2	No answer	3	1	1

ASK ALL:

PARTY In politics today, do you consider yourself a:

ASK IF INDEP/SOMETHING ELSE (PARTY=3 or 4) OR MISSING:PARTYLN As of today do you lean more to...⁹

<u>Republican</u>	<u>Democrat</u>	<u>Independent</u>	<u>Something</u> <u>else</u>	<u>No</u> <u>answer</u>	<u>Lean</u> <u>Rep</u>	<u>Lean</u> <u>Dem</u>
27	32	26	13	2	17	18

⁹ PARTY and PARTYLN asked in a prior survey.