

Welcome

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Thank you for taking the 2020 Stack Overflow Developer Survey, the largest and most comprehensive survey of software developers (and anyone else who codes!) on Earth.

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There are six sections in this survey. The 2nd, 3rd, and 4th sections will appear in a random order.

- 1. Basic Information
- 2. Education, Work, and Career
- 3. Technology and Tech Culture
- 4. Stack Overflow Usage + Community
- 5. Demographic Information
- 6. Final Os

Most questions in this survey are optional. Required questions are marked with *. The survey will take about 20 minutes to complete. We encourage you to complete it in one sitting.

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Browser: **Chrome** Version: **83.0.4103.97**

Operating System: **Macintosh** Screen Resolution: **2560x1440**

Flash Version: -1
Java Support: 0

User Agent: Mozilla/5.0 (Macintosh; Intel Mac OS X 10 15 3) AppleWebKit/537.36

(KHTML, like Gecko) Chrome/83.0.4103.97 Safari/537.36

Qualification

Basic Information

The first section will focus on some basic information about who you are.

Most questions in this section are required. Required questions are noted with *.

Which of the following options best describes you today? Here, by "developer" we mean "someone who writes code." * A MainBranch

0	I am a developer by profession
0	I am not primarily a developer, but I write code sometimes as part of my work

I used to be a developer by profession, but no longer am
I am a student who is learning to code
O I code primarily as a hobby
O None of these
Do you codo as a hobby? * - 2 hobbyst
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○ Yes
○ No
Which of the following best describes your current employment status? p Employment
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Employed full-time
Employed part-time
Independent contractor, freelancer, or self-employed
Not employed, but looking for work
Not employed, and not looking for work
Student
Retired
I prefer not to say
Location Country NOT IMPORTANT
Where do you live? *
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In which state or territory of the USA do you live? This information will be kept
private.
private.
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In which part of the United Kingdom do you live? This information will be kept private.
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In which federal state do you live? This information will be kept private.
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In which province or territory do you live? This information will be kept private.
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In which department of France do you live? This information will be kept private.
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In which city or town do you live? This information will be kept private.

2 - Education + Work + Career

Education, work, and career

This section will focus on your education, work, and career.

Most questions in this section are optional. Required questions are noted with *.

)	vou've completed? O EdLevel
000000000	I never completed any formal education Primary/elementary school Secondary school (e.g. American high school, German Realschule or Gymnasium, etc.) Some college/university study without earning a degree Associate degree (A.A., A.S., etc.) Bachelor's degree (B.A., B.S., B.Eng., etc.) Master's degree (M.A., M.S., M.Eng., MBA, etc.) Professional degree (JD, MD, etc.) Other doctoral degree (Ph.D., Ed.D., etc.)
0	Other (please specify):
\	What was your primary field of study? BC Undergrad major
0	Computer science, computer engineering, or software engineering Web development or web design
$\tilde{\cap}$	Information systems, information technology, or system administration
\tilde{a}	Mathematics or statistics
$\tilde{\Box}$	Another engineering discipline (such as civil, electrical, mechanical, etc.)
$\tilde{\cap}$	A business discipline (such as accounting, finance, marketing, etc.)
\bigcirc	A health science (such as nursing, pharmacy, radiology, etc.)
\tilde{a}	A humanities discipline (such as literature, history, philosophy, etc.)
$\tilde{\Box}$	A natural science (such as biology, chemistry, physics, etc.)
$\tilde{\mathcal{C}}$	A social science (such as anthropology, psychology, political science, etc.)
$\tilde{\mathcal{C}}$	Fine arts or performing arts (such as graphic design, music, studio art, etc.)
$\tilde{\Box}$	I never declared a major
\sim	Other (please specify):

Which of the following best describes the highest level of formal education that

science, to your career? AD NewEdImpt
Critically important Very important Fairly important Somewhat important Not at all important/not necessary
If you could go back and change your educational path (but end up in the same career), what would you change?
At what age did you write your first line of code or program? (e.g., webpage, Hello World, Scratch project) E Age1stCode
Including any education, how many years have you been coding in total? BH YearsCode
NOT including education, how many years have you coded professionally (as a part of your work)? BI YearsCodePro

How important is a formal education, such as a university degree in computer

١	Which of the following describe you? Please select all that apply.	MAYBE N DevType
	Academic researcher	
	Data or business analyst	
	Data scientist or machine learning specialist	
	Database administrator	
	Designer	
	Developer, back-end	
	Developer, desktop or enterprise applications	
	Developer, embedded applications or devices	
	Developer, front-end	
	Developer, full-stack	
	Developer, game or graphics	
	Developer, mobile	
	Developer, QA or test	
	DevOps specialist	
	Educator	
	Engineer, data	
	Engineer, site reliability	
	Engineering manager	
	Marketing or sales professional	
	Product manager	
	Scientist	
	Senior Executive (C-Suite, VP, etc.)	
	System administrator	
	Other (please specify):	
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\	What industry or industries do you work in? This information will b	e kept private.
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O Very dissatisfied	
Slightly dissatisfied	
Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied	
Slightly satisfied	
O Very satisfied	
Approximately how many people are employed by the company or organization you currently work for? AQ OrgSize	
Just me - I am a freelancer, sole proprietor, etc.	
2 to 9 employees	
O 10 to 19 employees	
O 20 to 99 employees	
O 100 to 499 employees	
○ 500 to 999 employees	
1,000 to 4,999 employees	
5,000 to 9,999 employees	
10,000 or more employees	
O I don't know	
* Which currency do you use day-to-day? If your answer is complicated, please pick the one you're most comfortable estimating in. J CurrencyDesc + K CurrencySymbol IMPORTANT	ol NOT

How satisfied are you with your current job? (If you work multiple jobs, answer for

the one you spend the most hours on.) T JobSat

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What is your current total compensation (sa and deductions), in \${q://QID50/ChoiceGroenter a whole number in the box below, with	up/SelectedChoicesTextEntry}? Please hout any punctuation. If you are paid
hourly, please estimate an equivalent week	
prefer not to answer, please leave the box	ConvertedComp(USD)
Is that compensation weekly, monthly, or ye	early? F CompFreq
Weekly	
Monthly	
Yearly	
On average, how many hours per week do number in the box. BG WorkWeekHrs	you work? Please enter a whole

How often do you work overtime or beyond the formal time expectation of your

AED United Arab Emirates dirham

ANG Netherlands Antillean guilder

AFN Afghan afghani ALL Albanian lek AMD Armenian dram

AOA Angolan kwanza ARS Argentine peso AUD Australian dollar

job? AK NewOvertime

	quarter but less than monthly month but less than weekly
	ny has a good onboarding process? (By onboarding, we sess of getting you settled in to your new role at a
✓ Yes✓ No✓ Onboarding? What onboar	ding?
How could onboarding at	your company be improved?
Does your company have	e a dedicated <u>DevOps</u> person? AB NEWDevOps NOT IMPORTANT
○ No○ Not sure	
How important is the prac	ctice of DevOps to scaling software development?
Extremely importantSomewhat importantNeutralNot very importantNot at all important	AC NEWDevOpsImpt NOT IMPORTANT

W	hich of the following best describes your current job-seeking status? * U JobSeek
Ŏ ľ	am actively looking for a job 'm not actively looking, but I am open to new opportunities am not interested in new job opportunities
In	general, what drives you to look for a new job? Select all that apply. AE NEWJobHun
	Having a bad day (or week or month) at work Vanting to share accomplishments with a wider network Curious about other opportunities Better compensation Trouble with my teammates Trouble with my direct manager Trouble with leadership at my company Better work/life balance Vanting to work with new technologies Browth or leadership opportunities Looking to relocate Other (please specify):
	Then job searching, how do you learn more about a company? Select all that oply. AF NEWJobHuntResearch Read company media, such as employee blogs or company culture videos Company reviews from third party sites (e.g. Glassdoor, Blind) Publicly available financial information (e.g. Crunchbase) Personal network - friends or family Read other media like news articles, founder profiles, etc. about the company Directly asking current or past employees at the company

	Other (please specify):
b	magine that you are deciding between two job offers with the same compensation, benefits, and location. Of the following factors, which 3 are MOST important to you? S JobFactors
	Remote work options
	Office environment or company culture
	Financial performance or funding status of the company or organization Opportunities for professional development
	Diversity of the company or organization
	How widely used or impactful my work output would be
	Industry that I'd be working in
	Specific department or team I'd be working on
	Flex time or a flexible schedule
	Languages, frameworks, and other technologies I'd be working with
Ш	Family friendliness
	- Tech and Tech Culture
1	Tech and tech culture
Т	The next set of questions will focus on technology and tech culture.
N	Nost questions in this section are optional. Required questions are noted with *.
F	How frequently do you learn a new language or framework? AG NEWLearn
\bigcirc	Every few months
	Once a year
	ones a year

Once every few years Once a decade				
0	Other (please specify):			
Which programming , scripting , and markup languages have you done extensive development work in over the past year, and which do you want to work in over the next year? (If you both worked with the language and want to continue to do so, please check both boxes in that row.) V LanguageDesireNextYear; W				
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	Worked with in PAST	year Want to work with NEXT year	ar	
Assembly				
Bash/Shell/PowerShell				
С				
C#				
C++				
Dart				
Go				
Haskell				
HTML/CSS				
Java				
JavaScript				
Julia				
Kotlin				
Objective-C				
Perl				
PHP				

Python

R

	Worked with in PAST year	Want to work with NEXT year
Ruby		
Rust		
Scala		
SQL		
Swift		
TypeScript		
VBA		
Other (please specify):		
Which database environme over the past year, and which both worked with the database	n do you want to work in ov	er the next year? (If you
boxes in that row.) L Databa	aseDesirenextYear, M Database	WorkedWith Not important
boxes in that row.) L Databa	aseDesirenextYear, M Database Worked with in PAST year	WorkedWith Not important Want to work with NEXT year
boxes in that row.) L Databa Cassandra		
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Cassandra		
Cassandra Couchbase		
Cassandra Couchbase DynamoDB		
Cassandra Couchbase DynamoDB Elasticsearch		
Cassandra Couchbase DynamoDB Elasticsearch Firebase		
Cassandra Couchbase DynamoDB Elasticsearch Firebase IBM DB2		
Cassandra Couchbase DynamoDB Elasticsearch Firebase IBM DB2 MariaDB		

Oracle

	Worked with in PAST year	Want to work with NEXT year
PostgreSQL		
Redis		
SQLite		
Other (please specify):		
Which platforms have you degree, and which do you want with the platform and want to row.) AR PlatformDesireNext	to work in over the next ye	ear? (If you both worked check both boxes in that
	Worked with in PAST year	Want to work with NEXT year
Android		
Arduino		
AWS		
Docker		
Google Cloud Platform		
Heroku		
IBM Cloud or Watson		
iOS		
Kubernetes		
Linux		
MacOS		
Microsoft Azure		
Raspberry Pi		
Slack Apps and Integrations		
Windows		

	Worked with in PAST year	Want to work with NEXT year
WordPress		
Other (please specify):		
Which web frameworks have past year, and which do you worked with the framework ar boxes in that row.) Not impo	vant to work in over the ne	xt year? (If you both
	Worked with in PAST year	Want to work with NEXT year
Angular		
Angular.js		
ASP.NET		
ASP.NET Core		
Django		
Drupal		
Express		
Flask		
Gatsby		
jQuery		
Laravel		
React.js		
Ruby on Rails		
Spring		
Symfony		
Vue.js	П	_

Other (please specify):		
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Which other frameworks, libid development work in over the	·	
next year? (If you both worked		
please check both boxes in the		esireNextYear; Y MiscTechWorkedWith
	Worked with in PAST year	Want to work with NEXT year
.NET		
.NET Core		
Ansible		
Apache Spark		
Chef		
Cordova		
Flutter		
Hadoop		
Keras		
Node.js		
Pandas		
Puppet		
React Native		
TensorFlow		
Terraform		
Torch/PyTorch		
Unity 3D		
Unreal Engine		

Worked with in PAST year Want to work with NEXT year

	Worked with in PAST year	Want to work with NEXT year
Xamarin		
Other (please specify):		
past year, and which do you	have you done extensive de want to work in over the ne ntinue to do so, please chec	• • •
Z NEWCollabToolsDesireNext	Year; AA NEWCollabToolsWorked Worked with in PAST year	edWith Not important Want to work with NEXT year
Confluence		
Jira		
GitHub		
GitLab		
Facebook Workplace		
Slack		
Microsoft Teams		
Microsoft Azure		
Trello		
Google Suite (Docs, Meet, etc)		
Stack Overflow for Teams		
Other (please specify):		
What is the primary operatir	ng system in which you work	? AP OpSys
Linux-based		
Windows		

\bigcirc	MacOS
0	Other (please specify):
	What level of influence do you, personally, have over new technology purchases at your organization? AT PurchaseWhat
000	I have a great deal of influence I have little or no influence I have some influence
	When buying a new tool or software, how do you discover and research available solutions? Select all that apply. Not important
	Start a free trial Ask developers I know/work with Visit developer communities like Stack Overflow Read ratings or reviews on third party sites like G2Crowd Research companies that have advertised on sites I visit Research companies that have emailed me Other (please specify):
١	What do you do when you get stuck on a problem? Select all that apply. AO NEWStuck Not important
	Call a coworker or friend Visit Stack Overflow Watch help / tutorial videos Panic Go for a walk or other physical activity Meditate
	Do other work and come back later

	Play games
	Visit another developer community (please name):
	Other (please specify):
	You search for a coding solution online and the first result link is purple because you already visited it. How do you feel? AM NEWPurpleLink NOT IMPORTANT
0	Amused
Ŏ	Annoyed
Ō	Indifferent
0	Hello, old friend
	4. Otaala Camamannita
•	4 - Stack Community
,	Stack Overflow - usage and community
	This section will focus on Stack Overflow usage and community questions.
	Most guartians in this section are entianal. Dequired guartians are noted with *
	Most questions in this section are optional. Required questions are noted with *.
,	Which of the following Stack Overflow sites have you visited? Select all that apply. AN NEWSOSites NOT IMPORTANT
	Stack Overflow (public Q&A for anyone who codes)
	Stack Exchange (public Q&A for a variety of topics)
	Stack Overflow Jobs (for job seekers)
	Stack Overflow for Teams (private Q&A for organizations)
	Stack Overflow Talent (for hiring companies/recruiters)
	Stack Overflow Advertising (for technology companies)
\Box	I have never visited any of these sites

How	v frequently would you say you visit Stack Overflow? AY SOVisitFreq
Les A fe A fe Dai	ave never visited Stack Overflow (before today) ss than once per month or monthly few times per month or weekly few times per week ily or almost daily altiple times per day
Yes	
	v frequently would you say you participate in Q&A on Stack Overflow? By icipate we mean ask, answer, vote for, or comment on questions.
I ha	ave never participated in Q&A on Stack Overflow ss than once per month or monthly ew times per month or weekly ew times per week ily or almost daily ultiple times per day
Do y	you consider yourself a member of the Stack Overflow community? AW SOComm NOT
No,	not at all not really utral s, somewhat s, definitely

Please elaborate on your ans member of Stack Overflow's o	•	tion (seeing yourself as a
		//
Are you a member of any other	er online developer comr	nunities?
) Yes		
) No		
Please name up to 5 other on indicate whether they are pub	·	
	Public - Anyone can join	Private - Invitation required to join
Online community 1:	0	0
Online community 2:	0	0
Online community 3:	0	0
Online community 4:	0	0

O Not sure

What would you like to be able to ask on Stack Overflow (that you can't ask currently)?

Do you think Stack Overflow should relax restrictions on what is considered "off-topic"?
Yes No Not sure
Demographics
Demographics
All questions in this section are optional. As a reminder, all reporting of the survey responses will be anonymized.
What is your age (in years)? If you prefer not to answer, you may leave this question blank.
Which of the following describe you, if any? Please check all that apply. If you prefer not to answer, you may leave this question blank. R Gender
Woman

Or, in your own words:

	Prefer not to say
000	Are you transgender? Yes No Or, in your own words: Prefer not to say
٧	Which of the following describe you, if any? Please check all that apply. If you
p	prefer not to answer, you may leave this question blank. AU Sexuality NOT IMPORTANT
	Bisexual Gay or Lesbian Straight / Heterosexual Queer Or, in your own words:
	Prefer not to say
	Which of the following describe you, if any? Please check all that apply. If you prefer not to answer, you may leave this question blank. Q Ethnicity NOT IMPORTANT
	Black or of African descent
	East Asian
	Hispanic or Latino/a/x
	Middle Eastern
	White or of European descent
	Biracial
	Indigenous (such as Native American, Pacific Islander, or Indigenous Australian)
	South Asian
	Multiracial

	Southeast Asian
	I don't know
	Prefer not to say
	Or, in your own words:
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V	Which of the following describe you, if any? Please check all that apply. If you
	refer not to answer, you may leave this question blank.
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	I am blind / have difficulty seeing
	I am deaf / hard of hearing
	I am unable to / find it difficult to type
	I am unable to / find it difficult to walk or stand without assistance
	Prefer not to say
	None of the above
	Or, in your own words:
٧	Which of the following describe you, if any? Please check all that apply. If you
	refer not to answer, you may leave this question blank.
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	I have a concentration and/or memory disorder (e.g. ADHD)
	I have a mood or emotional disorder (e.g. depression, bipolar disorder)
	I have an anxiety disorder
	I have autism / an autism spectrum disorder (e.g. Asperger's)
	Prefer not to say
	None of the above
	Or, in your own words:

FinalThoughtsSurveyReview

Final Questions

You're almost done!	
How do you feel about the length of the survey this year? Too short Appropriate in length Too long	
How easy or difficult was this survey to complete? Easy Neither easy nor difficult Difficult	
Any final thoughts you'd like to share?	
Any final thoughts you'd like to share?	

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