



SURVEY ON FOOD AND HOUSING INSECURITY AMONG COMMUNITY COLLEGE STUDENTS

I. Your college experience

Q1. As of today, are you attending college full-time or part-time?

1. Full-time (at least 12 credits)
2. Part-time (less than 12 credits)

Q2. Currently, what program are you in?

1. Technical or vocational certificate or diploma (less than 2-year degree)
2. Associate's degree (2-year degree)
3. I am not in a program

Q3. How many years have you been in college?

Q4. Thinking about the past academic year, which of the following best describes your grade point average?

1. A
2. A-
3. B+
4. B
5. C+
6. C
7. D+
8. D
9. F
10. No grade or don't know

II. How you pay for college

Q5. Which of the following ways do you pay for the expenses associated with attending college? (check all that apply)

1. I have a work-study job
2. I work at a job that isn't a work-study job
3. I get the Pell Grant
4. I get other grants from the federal or state government
5. I get a grant from my college
6. I take out student loans
7. I get help from family or friends
8. I use savings
9. I use credit cards
10. My employer pays
11. Other _____



Q6. In the past 30 days have you been looking for work?

1. Yes
2. No

Q7. On the days that you work, what hours are you at your job(s)? Please check all that apply.

1. Between 8am and 12pm
2. Between 12pm and 6pm
3. Between 6pm and 10pm
4. Between 10pm and 2am
5. Between 2am and 8am

Q8. Last week, did you have a job where you worked for pay or profit? Include a job even if you were temporarily absent from it last week.

1. Yes
2. No

Q9. LAST WEEK, not including Federal Work-Study, did you have more than one job?

Please do include a job even if you were temporarily absent from it last week. Also include part-time, evening, or weekend work.

1. Yes
2. No, I only had one job.

Q10. LAST WEEK, not including Federal Work-Study, how many jobs did you have?

Q11. On the days that you work at your main job, are you at your place of work at any time between the following hours?

1. Yes
2. No

Q11a. Between 8 a.m. and 12 p.m.

Q11b. Between 12 p.m. and 6 p.m.

Q11c. Between 6 p.m. and 10 p.m.

Q11d. Between 10 p.m. and 2 a.m.

Q11e. Between 2 a.m. and 8 a.m.

Q12. In a typical week at your main job, about how many hours do you generally work?



Q13. From week to week at your main job, how often does your work schedule change, either the times of day you work or the actual days on which you work?

1. Never
2. Rarely
3. Sometimes
4. Often
5. Always

Q14. Approximately how much does your main job pay per hour, week, month, or year?

1. per hour
2. per week
3. per month
4. per year

Q15. Thinking about your main job, how much...

1. Not at all
2. A little
3. Somewhat
4. Quite a bit
5. A great deal

Q15a. ...does this job relate to the work you would like to do for a career?

Q15b. ...does this job relate to the major or field of study you want to pursue in college?

Q15c. ...does this job serve the community?

Q15d. ...are you able to do school work while at this job?

Q15e. ...does your work schedule interfere with your course schedule at college?

Q15f. ...do you feel you have learned new skills at this job?

Q15g. ...do you enjoy this job?

Q16. Thinking back to the last full week that began on a Monday and ended on a Sunday, for about how many total hours and minutes did you spend doing each of the following activities?

If you did not do an activity during the last full week, please enter "0" hours and "0" minutes.

Q16a. Working for pay on campus

Q16b. Working for pay off campus



Q16c. Commuting to or from work

Q16d. Commuting to or from school

Q16e. Sleeping

Q16f. Exercising or playing sports

Q16g. Spending time with friends, including going to parties, clubs, or other gatherings

Q16h. Doing leisure activities such as watching TV or movies, playing video games, or listening to music

Q16i. Using the internet for leisure, for example for emailing, social networking, shopping, or downloading music

Q16j. Talking or texting on the phone

Q16k. Participating in student clubs or organizations

Q16l. Volunteering

Q16m. Babysitting a younger sibling or other younger family

Q16n. Taking care of another adult, such as a family member or friend

Q16o. Attending college classes, labs, or discussion sections either in person or online

Q16p. Preparing for class by yourself by studying, reading, writing, rehearsing, or doing other academic activities

Q16q. Preparing for class with other students by studying, reading, writing, rehearsing, or doing other academic activities

Q17. In the past 12 months, has anyone in your family under age 18 received free or reduced-price breakfast or lunch at school?

Q18. For each program, please indicate whether you received assistance in the last 12 months.

1. SNAP (food stamps)
2. WIC (nutritional assistance for pregnant women and children)
3. TANF (public cash assistance; formerly called ADC or ADFC)
4. SSI (supplemental security income)
5. SSDI (social security disability income)
6. Medicaid or Public health insurance
7. Child care assistance
8. Unemployment compensation/insurance
9. Utility assistance
10. Housing assistance
11. Transportation assistance



12. Tax refunds
13. Veterans benefits (Veteran's Administration benefits for a servicemen's, widow's, or survivor's pension, service disability or the GI bill)

III. Your economic experiences

Q19. In the past 12 months, did you:

1. Receive free food or meals?
2. Go hungry because you could not afford more food?
3. Not pay or underpay your rent or mortgage?
4. Get evicted from your home?
5. Receive a summons to appear in housing court?
6. Not pay the full amount of a gas, oil, or electricity bill?
7. Borrow money from friends or family to help pay bills?
8. Have an account default or go into collections?
9. Move in with other people, even for a little while, because of financial problems?
10. "Double up" with another family and share a residence?
11. Stay at a shelter?
12. Stay in an abandoned building, an automobile, or any other place not meant for regular housing, even for one night?
13. Not know where you were going to sleep at night, even for one night?

Q20. Thinking about the last 30 days, would you say the following statements are often true, sometimes true, or never true?

1. The food that I bought just didn't last and I didn't have money to get more
 - a. Often true
 - b. Sometimes true
 - c. Never true
2. I couldn't afford to eat balanced meals
 - a. Often true
 - b. Sometimes true
 - c. Never true

Q21. In the last 30 days, did you ever cut the size of your meals or skip meals because there wasn't enough money for food?

1. Yes
2. No

Q22. In the last 30 days, how often did this happen?

Q23. In the last 30 days, did you ever eat less than you felt you should because there wasn't enough money for food?

1. Yes



2. No

Q24. In the last 30 days, were you ever hungry but didn't eat because there wasn't enough money or food?

1. Yes
2. No

Q25. Currently, where do you live?

1. House
2. Duplex, or multi-family house
3. Apartment
4. Mobile home or trailer
5. College residence hall or dormitory
6. Do not have a home—please specify
7. Other—please specify

Q26. Do you share your residence with other people? If yes, check all that apply:

1. Parent(s) or guardian(s)
2. Child
3. Spouse, significant other, or partner
4. Extended family (e.g. grandparent, cousin)
5. Roommate
6. Other: _____

Q27. Do you:

Q27a. Own your home/make mortgage payments?

1. Yes
2. No

Q27b. Rent your home?

1. Yes
2. No

Q27c. Neither own nor rent? Please explain.

1. Shelter + Care pays my rent
2. Parents old house
3. I pay room and board plus utilities and for my own food and all my own expenses
4. Live with others

Q28. Is your home in a public housing project, owned by a local housing authority or other public agency?



1. Yes
2. No

Q29. Do you receive a public housing voucher, such as Section 8, to subsidize the cost of private housing?

1. Yes
2. No

Q30. Can you tell me whether you think you spend more than thirty percent of your total household monthly income or less than thirty percent of your total household income on your rent or mortgage payment?

1. More than thirty percent
2. Less than thirty percent
3. Not sure

Q31. Does your family have a computer at home?

1. Yes
2. No

Q31a. Do you have wireless internet capacity in your home?

1. Yes
2. No

Q32. Is there someplace in your home where you can be alone to read or study?

1. Yes
2. No

Q33. In the past 12 months, how many times have you moved?

Q34. How safe do you feel where you currently live?

1. Not at all safe
2. A little bit safe
3. Somewhat safe
4. Very safe
5. Extremely safe

Q35. In the past 12 months, did you leave your household because you felt unsafe?

1. Yes
2. No

Q36. In the past 12 months, were you thrown out of your home by someone else in the household?



1. Yes
2. No
- 3.

IV. About you

Q37. What sex were you assigned at birth, on your birth certificate?

1. Female
2. Male

Q38. In what year were you born?

Q39. What is the highest level of education completed by Parent 1?

1. Eighth grade or lower
2. Between 9th and 12th grade (but no high school diploma)
3. High school diploma
4. GED
5. Some college (but no college degree)
6. College certificate or diploma
7. Associate's degree
8. Bachelor's degree
9. Graduate degree
10. Don't know

Q40. What is the highest level of education completed by Parent 2?

1. Eighth grade or lower
2. Between 9th and 12th grade (but no high school diploma)
3. High school diploma
4. GED
5. Some college (but not college degree)
6. College certificate or diploma
7. Associate's degree
8. Bachelor's degree
9. Graduate degree
10. Don't know

Q41. How do you usually describe your race and/or ethnicity? (Select all that apply)

1. White or Caucasian
2. African American or Black
3. Hispanic or Latino
4. American Indian or Alaskan Native
5. Arab or Middle Eastern or Arab American
6. Southeast Asian



7. Pacific Insider
8. Other Asian or Asian-American
9. Other (please specify)
10. Not applicable-I would prefer not to identify my race/ethnicity

Q42. Are you a U.S. citizen or permanent resident?

Q43. Is Parent 1 a U.S. citizen or permanent resident?

Q44. Is Parent 2 a U.S. citizen or permanent resident?

Q45. Have you ever served in the U.S. Armed Force, military Reserves, or National Guard? (Please select the answer that is most applicable)

Q46. In the last year, did a parent or guardian claim you as a "dependent" for tax purposes?

Q47. How would you describe your current relationship status?

1. Single
2. In a relationship
3. Married or domestic partnership
4. Divorced
5. Widowed

Q48. Do you have any biological, adopted, step or foster children?

Q49. Please indicate the number of biological, adopted, step, or foster children you have in each of the following categories:

1. Under age 1
2. Ages 1-5
3. Ages 6-12
4. Ages 13-18
5. Ages 19 or older

