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Q1. Which industry do you want to work in when you finish school (including grad school)?

			Financial Aid				Gender		
	Total	No	Yes	Other	Prefer Not To Say	Gender Queer Gender Fluid	Male	Female	Nonbinary
Financial services/banking	6%	11%	6%	1%	7%	10%	11%	3%	2%
Technology	15%	18%	14%	16%	22%	13%	23%	8%	19%
Hospitality	1%	1%	1%	1%	4%	15%	1%	2%	0%
Education	7%	5%	7%	2%	0%	0%	4%	9%	5%
Research	9%	7%	9%	12%	4%	10%	9%	8%	5%
Government/public policy	5%	4%	6%	2%	4%	5%	7%	4%	2%
Legal/law	5%	2%	6%	1%	4%	5%	4%	5%	4%
Energy/natural resources/ environmental	6%	8%	5%	2%	15%	15%	5%	5%	12%
Medicine	17%	16%	16%	42%	7%	0%	11%	22%	9%
News/media	2%	2%	2%	1%	0%	0%	2%	2%	0%
Film/TV	2%	2%	2%	0%	0%	5%	1%	3%	0%
Other	15%	14%	15%	17%	19%	15%	13%	17%	17%
I'm not sure	10%	8%	11%	4%	15%	5%	9%	11%	25%
Refused	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
(Unweighted N)	(1500)	(498)	(931)	(55)	(26)	(19)	(546)	(860)	(39)



				Major			Sexual Or	ientation	Public /	Private
	Total	Arts Humanities	Interdisciplinary	Sciences	Social Sciences	Other	LGBTQIA	Straight	Private Not For Profit	Public
Financial services/banking	6%	1%	5%	1%	13%	3%	5%	7%	10%	5%
Technology	15%	4%	18%	24%	7%	2%	9%	17%	11%	16%
Hospitality	1%	0%	3%	2%	1%	2%	2%	1%	1%	1%
Education	7%	18%	3%	3%	11%	5%	10%	6%	7%	7%
Research	9%	7%	11%	13%	5%	0%	12%	7%	6%	10%
Government/public policy	5%	6%	7%	2%	9%	2%	8%	4%	6%	5%
Legal/law	5%	6%	3%	1%	10%	3%	3%	6%	8%	4%
Energy/natural resources/ environmental	6%	1%	24%	7%	3%	11%	7%	5%	5%	6%
Medicine	17%	8%	3%	30%	5%	21%	12%	19%	16%	17%
News/media	2%	3%	1%	0%	3%	1%	2%	2%	1%	2%
Film/TV	2%	13%	1%	0%	2%	3%	5%	1%	4%	2%
Other	15%	18%	7%	11%	16%	37%	14%	16%	13%	16%
I'm not sure	10%	15%	15%	6%	15%	8%	12%	10%	13%	9%
Refused	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
(Unweighted N)	(1500)	(197)	(124)	(775)	(651)	(79)	(446)	(1043)	(400)	(1097)



					Race			
	Total	Middle Eastern	White	Asian	Black Or African American	Hispanic Latino	Two Or More Races	Other
Financial services/banking	6%	0%	7%	12%	0%	8%	6%	11%
Technology	15%	13%	12%	26%	23%	12%	14%	25%
Hospitality	1%	13%	1%	2%	1%	1%	0%	0%
Education	7%	9%	6%	3%	5%	9%	12%	4%
Research	9%	0%	11%	7%	2%	7%	12%	4%
Government/public policy	5%	0%	7%	5%	3%	3%	8%	6%
Legal/law	5%	13%	4%	1%	9%	5%	5%	3%
Energy/natural resources/ environmental	6%	9%	6%	4%	3%	6%	4%	9%
Medicine	17%	17%	13%	19%	22%	23%	13%	14%
News/media	2%	4%	2%	1%	3%	0%	3%	2%
Film/TV	2%	0%	3%	2%	2%	1%	2%	0%
Other	15%	9%	17%	8%	12%	17%	11%	12%
I'm not sure	10%	13%	10%	11%	14%	9%	10%	11%
Refused	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
(Unweighted N)	(1500)	(23)	(735)	(294)	(96)	(182)	(111)	(43)

				Year		
	Total	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Financial services/banking	6%	5%	8%	6%	7%	3%
Technology	15%	19%	14%	16%	11%	9%
Hospitality	1%	1%	2%	1%	1%	4%
Education	7%	6%	8%	5%	9%	3%
Research	9%	8%	8%	9%	9%	7%
Government/public policy	5%	5%	5%	5%	6%	3%
Legal/law	5%	3%	6%	6%	5%	3%
Energy/natural resources/ environmental	6%	7%	5%	7%	4%	6%
Medicine	17%	13%	16%	17%	20%	26%
News/media	2%	2%	1%	2%	2%	1%
Film/TV	2%	1%	3%	2%	3%	3%
Other	15%	18%	13%	14%	16%	17%
I'm not sure	10%	13%	10%	10%	8%	14%
Refused	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
(Unweighted N)	(1500)	(188)	(484)	(462)	(290)	(69)



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Q2. Which country do you think has the best work-life balance?

			Financial Aid				Gender		
	Total	No	Yes	Other	Prefer Not To Say	Gender Queer Gender Fluid	Male	Female	Nonbinary
Australia	2%	2%	2%	0%	4%	5%	2%	2%	0%
Brazil	1%	1%	1%	0%	0%	0%	1%	1%	2%
Chile	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%	0%
Denmark	12%	14%	12%	4%	11%	15%	12%	12%	12%
France	5%	3%	6%	2%	4%	5%	6%	5%	2%
Germany	3%	4%	3%	0%	0%	0%	3%	3%	5%
Iceland	3%	3%	3%	3%	11%	0%	2%	3%	0%
Israel	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Japan	2%	1%	2%	1%	0%	0%	1%	2%	0%
Kenya	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Mexico	0%	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Netherlands	4%	4%	5%	0%	4%	0%	5%	4%	7%
New Zealand	3%	3%	3%	1%	4%	13%	4%	3%	2%
Nigeria	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Norway	5%	4%	5%	0%	0%	21%	4%	5%	4%
South Africa	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
South Korea	1%	0%	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%	0%
Spain	3%	4%	3%	1%	4%	5%	3%	3%	2%
Sweden	8%	11%	7%	6%	7%	0%	10%	7%	7%
Switzerland	7%	5%	7%	16%	4%	0%	6%	8%	3%

			Financial Aid		Gender					
	Total	No	Yes	Other	Prefer Not To Say	Gender Queer Gender Fluid	Male	Female	Nonbinary	
United Kingdom	1%	2%	1%	8%	0%	0%	1%	2%	0%	
United States	13%	13%	13%	19%	30%	15%	17%	11%	16%	
Other	1%	2%	1%	8%	0%	0%	1%	1%	13%	
I'm not sure	25%	25%	26%	31%	18%	20%	23%	28%	25%	
Refused	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	
Total	101%	102%	101%	108%	100%	100%	101%	101%	113%	
(Unweighted N)	(1500)	(498)	(931)	(55)	(26)	(19)	(546)	(860)	(39)	



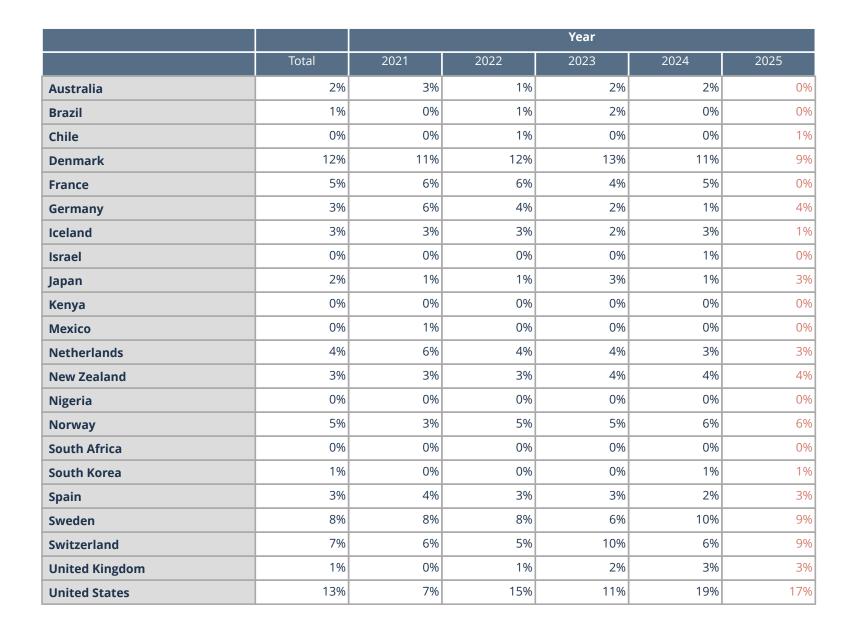
				Major			Sexual Or	ientation	Public / Private	
	Total	Arts Humanities	Interdisciplinary	Sciences	Social Sciences	Other	LGBTQIA	Straight	Private Not For Profit	Public
Australia	2%	1%	6%	2%	2%	1%	2%	3%	2%	2%
Brazil	1%	0%	0%	1%	1%	0%	0%	1%	2%	0%
Chile	0%	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%	0%	0%	0%
Denmark	12%	18%	10%	13%	12%	7%	11%	12%	12%	12%
France	5%	4%	7%	4%	6%	3%	7%	5%	6%	5%
Germany	3%	3%	0%	3%	3%	2%	4%	3%	2%	4%
Iceland	3%	3%	1%	3%	3%	3%	4%	2%	3%	2%
Israel	0%	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%	0%
Japan	2%	1%	0%	2%	1%	0%	0%	2%	1%	2%
Kenya	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Mexico	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%	0%
Netherlands	4%	4%	5%	4%	4%	0%	6%	3%	5%	4%
New Zealand	3%	5%	7%	4%	4%	0%	2%	4%	5%	3%
Nigeria	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Norway	5%	6%	9%	4%	6%	0%	8%	4%	6%	5%
South Africa	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
South Korea	1%	2%	1%	1%	0%	0%	1%	0%	0%	1%
Spain	3%	1%	3%	3%	3%	6%	3%	3%	2%	3%
Sweden	8%	9%	9%	9%	6%	14%	10%	7%	8%	8%
Switzerland	7%	2%	1%	8%	6%	8%	6%	7%	6%	7%
United Kingdom	1%	0%	2%	1%	1%	4%	0%	2%	2%	1%

				Major			Sexual Orientation		Public / Private	
	Total	Arts Humanities	Interdisciplinary	Sciences	Social Sciences	Other	LGBTQIA	Straight	Private Not For Profit	Public
United States	13%	10%	7%	14%	13%	19%	11%	14%	11%	14%
Other	1%	1%	0%	1%	1%	4%	1%	1%	1%	1%
I'm not sure	25%	26%	30%	24%	27%	27%	24%	26%	25%	26%
Refused	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Total	101%	101%	100%	101%	101%	104%	101%	101%	101%	101%
(Unweighted N)	(1500)	(197)	(124)	(775)	(651)	(79)	(446)	(1043)	(400)	(1097)



					Race			
	Total	Middle Eastern	White	Asian	Black Or African American	Hispanic Latino	Two Or More Races	Other
Australia	2%	0%	2%	3%	0%	4%	3%	2%
Brazil	1%	4%	0%	1%	1%	2%	0%	0%
Chile	0%	0%	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%	2%
Denmark	12%	9%	13%	12%	11%	9%	10%	8%
France	5%	4%	6%	3%	6%	2%	4%	3%
Germany	3%	9%	3%	2%	2%	6%	4%	4%
Iceland	3%	4%	3%	4%	4%	1%	3%	0%
Israel	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	3%
Japan	2%	0%	0%	2%	5%	3%	2%	0%
Kenya	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Mexico	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%	0%	0%
Netherlands	4%	0%	4%	2%	5%	5%	6%	4%
New Zealand	3%	9%	4%	3%	1%	2%	2%	11%
Nigeria	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Norway	5%	0%	6%	7%	3%	1%	4%	3%
South Africa	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
South Korea	1%	0%	0%	1%	2%	0%	0%	0%
Spain	3%	0%	3%	1%	0%	6%	2%	5%
Sweden	8%	4%	8%	9%	7%	6%	12%	6%
Switzerland	7%	22%	6%	6%	8%	9%	4%	4%
United Kingdom	1%	0%	1%	3%	2%	2%	3%	0%

					Race			
	Total	Middle Eastern	White	Asian	Black Or African American	Hispanic Latino	Two Or More Races	Other
United States	13%	13%	11%	13%	14%	21%	21%	30%
Other	1%	9%	1%	2%	0%	2%	3%	2%
I'm not sure	25%	13%	26%	25%	30%	19%	19%	16%
Refused	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Total	101%	109%	101%	102%	100%	102%	102%	102%
(Unweighted N)	(1500)	(23)	(735)	(294)	(96)	(182)	(111)	(43)





				Year		
	Total	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Other	1%	1%	2%	2%	1%	1%
I'm not sure	25%	32%	24%	23%	23%	25%
Refused	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Total	101%	101%	102%	102%	101%	101%
(Unweighted N)	(1500)	(188)	(484)	(462)	(290)	(69)

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Q3. How much do you agree or disagree: The U.S. has a toxic work culture.

			Financial Aid		Gender					
	Total	No	Yes	Other	Gender Queer Gender Fluid	Prefer Not To Say	Male	Female	Nonbinary	
Strongly agree	47%	36%	49%	42%	69%	26%	41%	51%	67%	
Somewhat agree	39%	48%	37%	39%	15%	33%	37%	40%	28%	
Somewhat disagree	11%	12%	11%	16%	0%	27%	18%	7%	3%	
Strongly disagree	3%	5%	3%	3%	15%	15%	5%	2%	2%	
Refused	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	
(Unweighted N)	(1500)	(498)	(931)	(55)	(19)	(26)	(546)	(860)	(39)	

				Major			Sexual Or	ientation	Public / Private	
	Total	Arts Humanities	Interdisciplinary	Sciences	Social Sciences	Other	LGBTQIA	Straight	Private Not For Profit	Public
Strongly agree	47%	64%	49%	45%	48%	34%	61%	42%	49%	46%
Somewhat agree	39%	23%	36%	40%	38%	50%	32%	41%	39%	38%
Somewhat disagree	11%	8%	12%	12%	11%	15%	5%	14%	10%	12%
Strongly disagree	3%	5%	3%	3%	3%	1%	2%	3%	1%	4%
Refused	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
(Unweighted N)	(1500)	(197)	(124)	(775)	(651)	(79)	(446)	(1043)	(400)	(1097)



					Race			
	Total	Middle Eastern	White	Asian	Black Or African American	Hispanic Latino	Two Or More Races	Other
Strongly agree	47%	30%	49%	25%	48%	49%	47%	39%
Somewhat agree	39%	48%	35%	55%	43%	42%	39%	38%
Somewhat disagree	11%	13%	13%	15%	6%	7%	7%	11%
Strongly disagree	3%	9%	3%	4%	3%	2%	7%	12%
Refused	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
(Unweighted N)	(1500)	(23)	(735)	(294)	(96)	(182)	(111)	(43)

				Year		
	Total	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Strongly agree	47%	50%	47%	49%	42%	42%
Somewhat agree	39%	37%	38%	36%	44%	48%
Somewhat disagree	11%	10%	12%	11%	12%	6%
Strongly disagree	3%	4%	3%	4%	2%	4%
Refused	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
(Unweighted N)	(1500)	(188)	(484)	(462)	(290)	(69)

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Q4. In your opinion, what are the most toxic aspects of American work culture? Select your top three.

Question only shown to students who: (1) Did not answer "Somewhat disagree" or "Strongly disagree" to "How much do you agree or disagree: The U.S. has a toxic work culture."

							Gender		
	Total	No	Yes	Other	Gender Queer Gender Fluid	Prefer Not To Say	Male	Female	Nonbinary
Long work hours	67%	65%	68%	53%	70%	69%	65%	69%	74%
Inflexible schedules	47%	47%	48%	40%	30%	50%	42%	51%	26%
Unclear job expectations	18%	13%	19%	17%	6%	12%	22%	16%	16%
Not enough paid time off	48%	49%	48%	30%	70%	37%	37%	54%	45%
Fear of using paid time off	34%	36%	33%	43%	24%	31%	36%	33%	9%
Checking Slack, email, etc. outside of work	18%	26%	17%	19%	18%	6%	22%	16%	13%
Poor internal communication within companies	20%	17%	20%	17%	12%	6%	21%	19%	24%
Lack of opportunities for advancement	22%	23%	22%	22%	12%	19%	23%	22%	14%
Other	7%	5%	8%	9%	21%	12%	9%	6%	28%
I'm not sure	1%	0%	1%	10%	0%	0%	2%	0%	0%
Refused	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
(Unweighted N)	(1284)	(404)	(824)	(42)	(16)	(16)	(425)	(783)	(36)



				Major			Sexual Or	ientation	Public / Private		
	Total	Arts Humanities	Interdisciplinary	Sciences	Social Sciences	Other	LGBTQIA	Straight	Private Not For Profit	Public	
Long work hours	67%	65%	68%	68%	70%	56%	65%	68%	72%	65%	
Inflexible schedules	47%	53%	46%	49%	47%	53%	52%	46%	47%	48%	
Unclear job expectations	18%	15%	24%	19%	19%	23%	20%	18%	18%	19%	
Not enough paid time off	48%	55%	49%	46%	45%	60%	56%	44%	50%	47%	
Fear of using paid time off	34%	31%	26%	34%	36%	34%	36%	33%	30%	35%	
Checking Slack, email, etc. outside of work	18%	19%	17%	18%	20%	8%	14%	20%	25%	16%	
Poor internal communication within companies	20%	17%	11%	20%	17%	24%	13%	22%	16%	21%	
Lack of opportunities for advancement	22%	19%	21%	21%	23%	15%	19%	24%	23%	22%	
Other	7%	9%	11%	7%	6%	13%	10%	6%	5%	8%	
I'm not sure	1%	0%	0%	2%	0%	0%	1%	1%	0%	1%	
Refused	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	
(Unweighted N)	(1284)	(172)	(105)	(663)	(558)	(67)	(411)	(864)	(343)	(939)	



					Race			
	Total	Middle Eastern	White	Asian	Black Or African American	Hispanic Latino	Two Or More Races	Other
Long work hours	67%	78%	67%	65%	72%	63%	68%	83%
Inflexible schedules	47%	61%	46%	39%	49%	53%	35%	47%
Unclear job expectations	18%	17%	17%	17%	22%	20%	22%	23%
Not enough paid time off	48%	39%	51%	36%	39%	50%	51%	24%
Fear of using paid time off	34%	28%	38%	34%	29%	27%	36%	19%
Checking Slack, email, etc. outside of work	18%	22%	21%	21%	8%	18%	21%	9%
Poor internal communication within companies	20%	6%	17%	24%	25%	23%	22%	30%
Lack of opportunities for advancement	22%	22%	19%	31%	27%	26%	22%	24%
Other	7%	0%	9%	4%	6%	3%	11%	12%
I'm not sure	1%	0%	1%	2%	4%	0%	0%	0%
Refused	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
(Unweighted N)	(1284)	(18)	(636)	(240)	(86)	(166)	(96)	(31)

				Year		
	Total	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Long work hours	67%	76%	65%	68%	62%	63%
Inflexible schedules	47%	43%	43%	52%	51%	53%
Unclear job expectations	18%	19%	19%	16%	19%	21%
Not enough paid time off	48%	52%	39%	47%	51%	48%
Fear of using paid time off	34%	34%	38%	31%	32%	37%
Checking Slack, email, etc. outside of work	18%	16%	21%	18%	18%	10%
Poor internal communication within companies	20%	20%	22%	22%	15%	29%
Lack of opportunities for advancement	22%	18%	21%	23%	27%	19%
Other	7%	7%	9%	8%	6%	0%
I'm not sure	1%	2%	2%	0%	1%	2%
Refused	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
(Unweighted N)	(1284)	(159)	(421)	(385)	(252)	(62)



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Q5. Have you thought about how you'll try to achieve work-life balance after graduation?

			Financial Aid		Gender					
	Total	No	Yes	Other	Gender Queer Gender Fluid	Prefer Not To Say	Male	Female	Nonbinary	
Yes, I've thought about it	76%	78%	76%	54%	74%	71%	74%	77%	81%	
No, I haven't thought about it	24%	22%	24%	46%	26%	29%	26%	23%	19%	
Refused	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	
(Unweighted N)	(1500)	(498)	(931)	(55)	(19)	(26)	(546)	(860)	(39)	

			Major					Sexual Orientation		Private
	Total	Arts Humanities	Interdisciplinary	Sciences	Social Sciences	Other	LGBTQIA	Straight	Private Not For Profit	Public
Yes, I've thought about it	76%	75%	76%	74%	78%	77%	77%	75%	78%	75%
No, I haven't thought about it	24%	25%	24%	26%	22%	23%	23%	25%	22%	25%
Refused	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
(Unweighted N)	(1500)	(197)	(124)	(775)	(651)	(79)	(446)	(1043)	(400)	(1097)

			Race									
	Total	Middle Eastern	White	Asian	Black Or African American	Hispanic Latino	Two Or More Races	Other				
Yes, I've thought about it	76%	65%	78%	70%	75%	73%	81%	74%				
No, I haven't thought about it	24%	35%	22%	30%	25%	27%	19%	26%				

			Race									
	Total	Middle Eastern	White	Asian	Black Or African American	Hispanic Latino	Two Or More Races	Other				
Refused	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%				
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%				
(Unweighted N)	(1500)	(23)	(735)	(294)	(96)	(182)	(111)	(43)				

			Year									
	Total	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025						
Yes, I've thought about it	76%	75%	79%	79%	70%	72%						
No, I haven't thought about it	24%	25%	21%	21%	30%	28%						
Refused	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%						
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%						
(Unweighted N)	(1500)	(188)	(484)	(462)	(290)	(69)						

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Q6. Which of the following are most important to you when thinking about work after graduation? Select your top three.

			Financial Aid				Gender		
	Total	No	Yes	Other	Prefer Not To Say	Gender Queer Gender Fluid	Male	Female	Nonbinary
Having a flexible work schedule	67%	60%	69%	56%	56%	46%	63%	71%	66%
Not working more than 40 hours a week	35%	31%	36%	28%	37%	36%	35%	35%	41%
Understanding and sticking to my job's expectations	39%	40%	38%	30%	37%	38%	41%	37%	17%
Finding a job with generous paid time off policies	45%	47%	44%	42%	44%	36%	42%	47%	41%
Using all of my paid time off	13%	17%	12%	5%	7%	15%	14%	12%	10%
Not checking Slack, email, etc. outside of work	21%	26%	20%	16%	18%	18%	26%	16%	35%
Finding a job at a company with good internal communication	54%	54%	54%	71%	29%	49%	52%	56%	55%
None of these	2%	2%	2%	10%	11%	10%	3%	1%	2%
Refused	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
(Unweighted N)	(1500)	(498)	(931)	(55)	(26)	(19)	(546)	(860)	(39)



				Major			Sexual Or	ientation	Public / Private	
	Total	Arts Humanities	Interdisciplinary	Sciences	Social Sciences	Other	LGBTQIA	Straight	Private Not For Profit	Public
Having a flexible work schedule	67%	63%	63%	67%	69%	72%	65%	68%	68%	67%
Not working more than 40 hours a week	35%	39%	38%	35%	33%	38%	42%	33%	33%	36%
Understanding and sticking to my job's expectations	39%	40%	37%	38%	39%	39%	33%	41%	41%	38%
Finding a job with generous paid time off policies	45%	43%	42%	45%	46%	42%	52%	42%	45%	44%
Using all of my paid time off	13%	18%	14%	15%	11%	5%	14%	12%	14%	12%
Not checking Slack, email, etc. outside of work	21%	19%	21%	21%	20%	25%	21%	21%	20%	21%
Finding a job at a company with good internal communication	54%	52%	52%	52%	58%	53%	49%	56%	51%	55%
None of these	2%	2%	4%	2%	2%	4%	2%	2%	2%	2%
Refused	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
(Unweighted N)	(1500)	(197)	(124)	(775)	(651)	(79)	(446)	(1043)	(400)	(1097)



					Race			
	Total	Middle Eastern	White	Asian	Black Or African American	Hispanic Latino	Two Or More Races	Other
Having a flexible work schedule	67%	74%	61%	70%	85%	74%	60%	57%
Not working more than 40 hours a week	35%	39%	36%	32%	40%	30%	32%	34%
Understanding and sticking to my job's expectations	39%	35%	38%	44%	35%	39%	43%	36%
Finding a job with generous paid time off policies	45%	44%	45%	40%	47%	45%	37%	33%
Using all of my paid time off	13%	0%	16%	12%	10%	6%	10%	19%
Not checking Slack, email, etc. outside of work	21%	22%	25%	20%	12%	12%	28%	27%
Finding a job at a company with good internal communication	54%	39%	53%	58%	52%	63%	62%	37%
None of these	2%	0%	2%	1%	2%	0%	3%	6%
Refused	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
(Unweighted N)	(1500)	(23)	(735)	(294)	(96)	(182)	(111)	(43)

				Year		
	Total	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Having a flexible work schedule	67%	62%	65%	71%	70%	74%
Not working more than 40 hours a week	35%	42%	37%	31%	31%	33%
Understanding and sticking to my job's expectations	39%	35%	40%	39%	40%	43%
Finding a job with generous paid time off policies	45%	48%	41%	42%	47%	49%
Using all of my paid time off	13%	17%	12%	13%	10%	12%
Not checking Slack, email, etc. outside of work	21%	22%	21%	21%	20%	13%
Finding a job at a company with good internal communication	54%	51%	54%	57%	55%	55%
None of these	2%	2%	2%	1%	3%	0%
Refused	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
(Unweighted N)	(1500)	(188)	(484)	(462)	(290)	(69)



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Q7. In your opinion, what are the most important things a **manager** can do to promote work-life balance on their team? Select your top two.

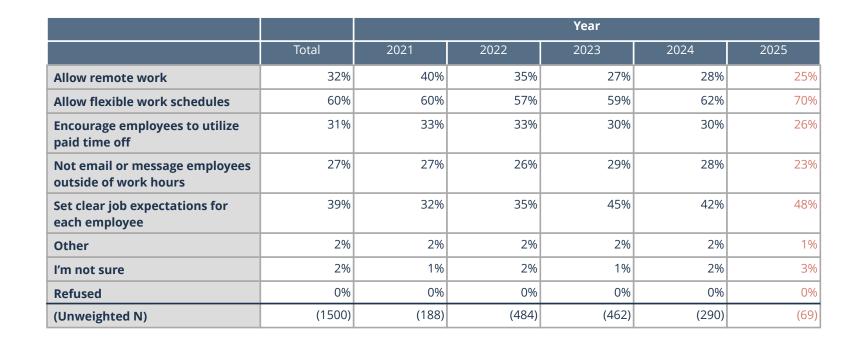
			Financial Aid		Gender					
	Total	No	Yes	Other	Gender Queer Gender Fluid	Prefer Not To Say	Male	Female	Nonbinary	
Allow remote work	32%	31%	32%	39%	28%	31%	35%	29%	38%	
Allow flexible work schedules	60%	55%	61%	54%	62%	49%	54%	65%	37%	
Encourage employees to utilize paid time off	31%	39%	30%	20%	26%	37%	30%	33%	33%	
Not email or message employees outside of work hours	27%	27%	28%	17%	26%	15%	27%	28%	47%	
Set clear job expectations for each employee	39%	40%	39%	39%	44%	47%	42%	37%	35%	
Other	2%	1%	2%	3%	0%	0%	2%	2%	3%	
I'm not sure	2%	1%	2%	4%	0%	0%	2%	1%	0%	
Refused	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	
(Unweighted N)	(1500)	(498)	(931)	(55)	(19)	(26)	(546)	(860)	(39)	



				Major			Sexual Or	ientation	Public /	Private
	Total	Arts Humanities	Interdisciplinary	Sciences	Social Sciences	Other	LGBTQIA	Straight	Private Not For Profit	Public
Allow remote work	32%	40%	27%	30%	35%	26%	28%	33%	27%	34%
Allow flexible work schedules	60%	64%	51%	59%	60%	70%	60%	59%	64%	58%
Encourage employees to utilize paid time off	31%	34%	28%	33%	31%	32%	32%	31%	30%	32%
Not email or message employees outside of work hours	27%	24%	28%	27%	27%	24%	29%	27%	26%	28%
Set clear job expectations for each employee	39%	30%	39%	42%	35%	43%	38%	40%	43%	38%
Other	2%	3%	3%	1%	2%	2%	2%	2%	2%	2%
I'm not sure	2%	0%	8%	2%	2%	1%	2%	1%	1%	2%
Refused	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
(Unweighted N)	(1500)	(197)	(124)	(775)	(651)	(79)	(446)	(1043)	(400)	(1097)



					Race			
	Total	Middle Eastern	White	Asian	Black Or African American	Hispanic Latino	Two Or More Races	Other
Allow remote work	32%	30%	31%	40%	32%	33%	27%	36%
Allow flexible work schedules	60%	65%	58%	61%	70%	59%	56%	51%
Encourage employees to utilize paid time off	31%	9%	33%	30%	31%	28%	31%	33%
Not email or message employees outside of work hours	27%	22%	28%	20%	25%	29%	28%	20%
Set clear job expectations for each employee	39%	52%	40%	36%	35%	42%	46%	40%
Other	2%	0%	2%	1%	1%	2%	3%	4%
I'm not sure	2%	0%	1%	2%	2%	1%	1%	0%
Refused	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
(Unweighted N)	(1500)	(23)	(735)	(294)	(96)	(182)	(111)	(43)





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Q8. In your opinion, what are the most important policies a **company** can implement to promote work-life balance? Select your top two.

			Financial Aid				Gender		
	Total	No	Yes	Other	Gender Queer Gender Fluid	Prefer Not To Say	Male	Female	Nonbinary
Allowing remote work	28%	31%	27%	37%	26%	22%	32%	23%	44%
Allowing flexible work schedules	47%	45%	48%	41%	26%	49%	47%	47%	38%
Generous paid time off policies	38%	38%	37%	44%	41%	40%	32%	42%	51%
No emails or messages outside of work hours	15%	15%	16%	11%	33%	38%	16%	15%	10%
Setting clear job expectations for each employee	26%	29%	27%	11%	13%	15%	30%	24%	27%
Providing mental health resources (such as therapy)	25%	21%	26%	17%	31%	11%	17%	32%	15%
Providing physical health resources (such as gym	12%	13%	12%	10%	10%	15%	14%	10%	7%
Other	1%	1%	1%	4%	0%	7%	2%	1%	2%
I'm not sure	1%	0%	1%	9%	0%	0%	2%	1%	0%
Refused	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
(Unweighted N)	(1500)	(498)	(931)	(55)	(19)	(26)	(546)	(860)	(39)



				Major			Sexual Or	ientation	Public / Private	
	Total	Arts Humanities	Interdisciplinary	Sciences	Social Sciences	Other	LGBTQIA	Straight	Private Not For Profit	Public
Allowing remote work	28%	27%	22%	27%	29%	24%	28%	27%	27%	28%
Allowing flexible work schedules	47%	36%	48%	49%	46%	48%	40%	49%	49%	47%
Generous paid time off policies	38%	38%	40%	39%	36%	36%	47%	34%	39%	37%
No emails or messages outside of work hours	15%	13%	15%	16%	15%	16%	16%	16%	19%	14%
Setting clear job expectations for each employee	26%	35%	28%	23%	28%	26%	23%	28%	31%	25%
Providing mental health resources (such as therapy)	25%	39%	24%	23%	24%	34%	33%	22%	23%	26%
Providing physical health resources (such as gym	12%	7%	4%	13%	13%	10%	8%	13%	10%	13%
Other	1%	1%	2%	1%	1%	2%	1%	1%	0%	2%
I'm not sure	1%	0%	5%	2%	1%	0%	1%	2%	0%	2%
Refused	0%	0%	0%	1%	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
(Unweighted N)	(1500)	(197)	(124)	(775)	(651)	(79)	(446)	(1043)	(400)	(1097)



					Race			
	Total	Middle Eastern	White	Asian	Black Or African American	Hispanic Latino	Two Or More Races	Other
Allowing remote work	28%	17%	28%	38%	27%	22%	32%	22%
Allowing flexible work schedules	47%	43%	48%	46%	50%	43%	38%	43%
Generous paid time off policies	38%	26%	39%	36%	34%	38%	39%	30%
No emails or messages outside of work hours	15%	17%	17%	9%	10%	15%	20%	27%
Setting clear job expectations for each employee	26%	22%	26%	26%	20%	34%	22%	22%
Providing mental health resources (such as therapy)	25%	31%	22%	21%	39%	26%	24%	15%
Providing physical health resources (such as gym	12%	22%	10%	17%	14%	15%	13%	24%
Other	1%	4%	2%	1%	0%	1%	2%	2%
I'm not sure	1%	0%	1%	1%	2%	0%	1%	0%
Refused	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
(Unweighted N)	(1500)	(23)	(735)	(294)	(96)	(182)	(111)	(43)

				Year		
	Total	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Allowing remote work	28%	31%	32%	24%	25%	26%
Allowing flexible work schedules	47%	52%	42%	51%	45%	41%
Generous paid time off policies	38%	40%	38%	39%	35%	36%
No emails or messages outside of work hours	15%	16%	12%	19%	14%	13%
Setting clear job expectations for each employee	26%	26%	26%	29%	25%	28%
Providing mental health resources (such as therapy)	25%	20%	23%	22%	33%	28%
Providing physical health resources (such as gym	12%	7%	13%	10%	16%	15%
Other	1%	0%	3%	2%	1%	3%
I'm not sure	1%	1%	3%	0%	2%	3%
Refused	0%	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%
(Unweighted N)	(1500)	(188)	(484)	(462)	(290)	(69)



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Q9. Which of the following statements best describes your feelings about working after graduation?

			Financial Aid		Gender					
	Total	No	Yes	Other	Prefer Not To Say	Gender Queer Gender Fluid	Male	Female	Nonbinary	
I'll live to work	23%	26%	23%	23%	11%	28%	25%	22%	30%	
I'll work to live	77%	74%	77%	77%	89%	72%	75%	78%	70%	
Refused	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	
(Unweighted N)	(1500)	(498)	(931)	(55)	(26)	(19)	(546)	(860)	(39)	

				Major		Sexual Or	ientation	Public / Private		
	Total	Arts Humanities	Interdisciplinary	Sciences	Social Sciences	Other	LGBTQIA	Straight	Private Not For Profit	Public
I'll live to work	23%	24%	33%	19%	27%	32%	16%	26%	24%	23%
I'll work to live	77%	76%	67%	81%	73%	68%	84%	74%	76%	77%
Refused	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
(Unweighted N)	(1500)	(197)	(124)	(775)	(651)	(79)	(446)	(1043)	(400)	(1097)

			Race									
	Total	Middle Eastern	White	Asian	Black Or African American	Hispanic Latino	Two Or More Races	Other				
I'll live to work	23%	26%	24%	27%	18%	22%	25%	28%				
I'll work to live	77%	74%	76%	73%	82%	78%	75%	72%				

		Race									
	Total	Middle Eastern	White	Asian	Black Or African American	Hispanic Latino	Two Or More Races	Other			
Refused	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%			
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%			
(Unweighted N)	(1500)	(23)	(735)	(294)	(96)	(182)	(111)	(43)			

		Year									
	Total	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025					
I'll live to work	23%	20%	20%	27%	25%	28%					
I'll work to live	77%	80%	80%	73%	75%	72%					
Refused	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%					
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%					
(Unweighted N)	(1500)	(188)	(484)	(462)	(290)	(69)					

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Q10. Do you think your generation is willing to put up with more or less toxic behavior in the workplace compared to your parents' generation?

			Financial Aid		Gender					
	Total	No	Yes	Other	Prefer Not To Say	Gender Queer Gender Fluid	Male	Female	Nonbinary	
My generation is willing to put up with more toxic behavior	13%	17%	12%	11%	18%	15%	15%	10%	16%	
My generation is willing to put up with less toxic behavior	77%	69%	79%	75%	63%	72%	73%	80%	79%	
The two generations are about the same	10%	14%	9%	13%	18%	13%	11%	9%	5%	
Refused	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	
(Unweighted N)	(1500)	(498)	(931)	(55)	(26)	(19)	(546)	(860)	(39)	

				Major			Sexual Or	ientation	Public / Private	
	Total	Arts Humanities	Interdisciplinary	Sciences	Social Sciences	Other	LGBTQIA	Straight	Private Not For Profit	Public
My generation is willing to put up with more toxic behavior	13%	16%	19%	11%	13%	16%	13%	13%	12%	13%
My generation is willing to put up with less toxic behavior	77%	78%	72%	75%	81%	74%	78%	77%	79%	76%
The two generations are about the same	10%	6%	9%	14%	6%	9%	9%	11%	9%	11%
Refused	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
(Unweighted N)	(1500)	(197)	(124)	(775)	(651)	(79)	(446)	(1043)	(400)	(1097)



					Race			
	Total	Middle Eastern	White	Asian	Black Or African American	Hispanic Latino	Two Or More Races	Other
My generation is willing to put up with more toxic behavior	13%	17%	15%	18%	5%	9%	13%	24%
My generation is willing to put up with less toxic behavior	77%	74%	75%	73%	88%	78%	72%	64%
The two generations are about the same	10%	9%	10%	10%	6%	12%	15%	12%
Refused	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
(Unweighted N)	(1500)	(23)	(735)	(294)	(96)	(182)	(111)	(43)

		Year								
	Total	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025				
My generation is willing to put up with more toxic behavior	13%	10%	11%	12%	17%	14%				
My generation is willing to put up with less toxic behavior	77%	83%	77%	76%	73%	70%				
The two generations are about the same	10%	7%	12%	12%	10%	16%				
Refused	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%				
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%				
(Unweighted N)	(1500)	(188)	(484)	(462)	(290)	(69)				

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Q11. How comfortable would you feel going to human resources (HR) about something inappropriate your boss did or said?

			Financial Aid		Gender					
	Total	No	Yes	Other	Gender Queer Gender Fluid	Prefer Not To Say	Male	Female	Nonbinary	
Very comfortable	24%	19%	26%	20%	33%	27%	26%	23%	22%	
Somewhat comfortable	40%	38%	41%	28%	26%	22%	41%	39%	26%	
Not too comfortable	28%	35%	27%	31%	36%	33%	24%	32%	31%	
Not at all comfortable	7%	8%	7%	21%	5%	18%	8%	7%	21%	
Refused	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	
(Unweighted N)	(1500)	(498)	(931)	(55)	(19)	(26)	(546)	(860)	(39)	

				Major			Sexual Or	ientation	Public / Private	
	Total	Arts Humanities	Interdisciplinary	Sciences	Social Sciences	Other	LGBTQIA	Straight	Private Not For Profit	Public
Very comfortable	24%	25%	21%	23%	25%	38%	23%	25%	23%	25%
Somewhat comfortable	40%	40%	35%	39%	40%	39%	40%	40%	40%	40%
Not too comfortable	28%	29%	35%	30%	28%	19%	32%	27%	32%	27%
Not at all comfortable	7%	7%	9%	8%	7%	4%	5%	8%	6%	8%
Refused	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
(Unweighted N)	(1500)	(197)	(124)	(775)	(651)	(79)	(446)	(1043)	(400)	(1097)



			Race									
	Total	Middle Eastern	White	Asian	Black Or African American	Hispanic Latino	Two Or More Races	Other				
Very comfortable	24%	26%	25%	14%	22%	28%	25%	26%				
Somewhat comfortable	40%	26%	35%	45%	52%	42%	34%	40%				
Not too comfortable	28%	35%	31%	34%	21%	23%	34%	17%				
Not at all comfortable	7%	13%	8%	7%	5%	7%	7%	17%				
Refused	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%				
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%				
(Unweighted N)	(1500)	(23)	(735)	(294)	(96)	(182)	(111)	(43)				

		Year							
	Total	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025			
Very comfortable	24%	19%	27%	27%	23%	23%			
Somewhat comfortable	40%	42%	42%	41%	36%	38%			
Not too comfortable	28%	32%	24%	27%	31%	33%			
Not at all comfortable	7%	6%	7%	6%	11%	6%			
Refused	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%			
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%			
(Unweighted N)	(1500)	(188)	(484)	(462)	(290)	(69)			

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Q12. Which of the following statements best describes your feelings about human resources (HR) departments?

		Financial Aid			Gender					
	Total	No	Yes	Other	Gender Queer Gender Fluid	Prefer Not To Say	Male	Female	Nonbinary	
Human resources' job is to protect employees	36%	37%	37%	22%	38%	27%	34%	38%	41%	
Human resources' job is to protect the company	46%	47%	47%	25%	56%	44%	47%	45%	52%	
I'm not sure	17%	16%	16%	53%	5%	29%	18%	17%	7%	
Refused	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	
(Unweighted N)	(1500)	(498)	(931)	(55)	(19)	(26)	(546)	(860)	(39)	

		Major					Sexual Orientation		Public / Private	
	Total	Arts Humanities	Interdisciplinary	Sciences	Social Sciences	Other	LGBTQIA	Straight	Private Not For Profit	Public
Human resources' job is to protect employees	36%	33%	24%	36%	35%	51%	31%	38%	37%	36%
Human resources' job is to protect the company	46%	48%	42%	47%	48%	26%	50%	45%	44%	47%
I'm not sure	17%	18%	35%	17%	17%	23%	19%	17%	19%	17%
Refused	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
(Unweighted N)	(1500)	(197)	(124)	(775)	(651)	(79)	(446)	(1043)	(400)	(1097)



		Race								
	Total	Middle Eastern	White	Asian	Black Or African American	Hispanic Latino	Two Or More Races	Other		
Human resources' job is to protect employees	36%	48%	35%	39%	38%	40%	35%	25%		
Human resources' job is to protect the company	46%	35%	48%	42%	42%	47%	47%	63%		
I'm not sure	17%	17%	18%	19%	20%	13%	17%	13%		
Refused	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%		
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%		
(Unweighted N)	(1500)	(23)	(735)	(294)	(96)	(182)	(111)	(43)		

		Year							
	Total	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025			
Human resources' job is to protect employees	36%	32%	32%	40%	40%	42%			
Human resources' job is to protect the company	46%	53%	49%	46%	39%	41%			
I'm not sure	17%	15%	18%	14%	22%	17%			
Refused	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%			
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%			
(Unweighted N)	(1500)	(188)	(484)	(462)	(290)	(69)			

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Survey Methodology

This survey was designed and conducted by College Pulse. Interviews were conducted in English among a sample of 1500 undergraduate students who are currently enrolled in the U.S.

The initial sample was drawn from College Pulse's Undergraduate Student Panel that includes over 400,000 verified students representing more than 1,000 different colleges and universities in all 50 states. Panel members are recruited by a number of methods to help ensure diversity in the panel population, including web advertising, permission-based email campaigns, and partnerships with university organizations.

To reduce the effects of any non-response bias, a post-stratification adjustment was applied based on demographic distributions from the 2017 Current Population Survey (CPS). The post-stratification weight rebalanced the sample based on the following benchmarks: age, race and ethnicity, and gender. The sample weighting was accomplished using an iterative proportional fitting (IFP) process that simultaneously balances the distributions of all variables. Weights were trimmed to prevent individual interviews from having too much influence on the final results.

The margin of error for this survey is ±2.9%. Margins of error are typically calculated on probability-based samples and are not technically correct for non-probability online samples. We supply them here to provide a general assessment of error ranges that may be associated with the data.

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