

Facsimile of the Question Stems of Second Follow-up Instrument

Section A: High School Education

The first questions update your high school information since your last ELS:2002 interview.

Variable Name(s): F2A01

Have you received a high school diploma, certificate of attendance, or a GED or other equivalency certificate?

1 = Yes

0 = No

Variable Name(s): F2A02

What type of high school diploma or certificate did you complete? Did you receive a...

1 = diploma,

2 = certificate of attendance, or

3 = GED or other equivalency certificate?

Variable Name(s): F2A03

In what month and year did you receive your [diploma/certificate of attendance/GED or other equivalency]?

* Month:

1 = January

2 = February

3 = March

4 = April

5 = May

6 = June

7 = July

8 = August

9 = September

10 = October

11 = November

12 = December

* Year:

2002 = 2002

2003 = 2003

2004 = 2004

2005 = 2005

2006 = 2006

Variable Name(s): F2A04

How did you earn the GED or equivalency, or in other words, what program or school were you enrolled in, if any?

1 = No program, you just took the exam,

2 = part of a job training program,

3 = enrolled through adult education,

4 = part of a child care program or early childhood program, or

5 = some other program?

* Specify:

Variable Name(s): F2A05

From what state did you receive your GED or equivalency?

1 = Alabama

2 = Alaska

3 = Arizona

4 = Arkansas

5 = California

6 = Colorado

7 = Connecticut

8 = Delaware

9 = District of Columbia

10 = Florida

11 = Georgia

12 = Hawaii

13 = Idaho

14 = Illinois

15 = Indiana

16 = Iowa

17 = Kansas

18 = Kentucky

19 = Louisiana

20 = Maine

21 = Maryland

22 = Massachusetts

23 = Michigan

24 = Minnesota

25 = Mississippi

26 = Missouri

27 = Montana

28 = Nebraska

29 = Nevada

30 = New Hampshire

31 = New Jersey

32 = New Mexico

33 = New York

34 = North Carolina

35 = North Dakota

36 = Ohio

37 = Oklahoma

38 = Oregon

39 = Pennsylvania

40 = Rhode Island

41 = South Carolina

42 = South Dakota

43 = Tennessee

44 = Texas

45 = Utah

46 = Vermont

47 = Virginia

48 = Washington

49 = West Virginia

50 = Wisconsin

51 = Wyoming

52 = Puerto Rico

54 = American Samoa

55 = Guam

56 = Fed State Micronesia

57 = Marshall Islands

58 = Northern Mariana Isl

59 = Palau

60 = Virgin Islands

63 = FOREIGN

COUNTRY

Variable Name(s): F2A06A-F2A06F

Why did you decide to complete your GED or equivalency? Was it...

* to improve, advance, or keep up to date on your current job?

* to train for a new job/career?

* to improve basic reading, writing or math skills?

* to meet requirements for additional study?

* required or encouraged by your employer?

* for personal, family or social reasons?

1 = Yes

0 = No

Variable Name(s): F2A07

Which of the following activities best describes your current high school activity?

Are you...

- 1 = currently enrolled in high school and working towards a high school diploma,
- 2 = currently enrolled in high school and working towards a certificate of attendance,
- 3 = currently working towards a GED or equivalency, or
- 4 = not currently enrolled in a high school completion program?

Variable Name(s): F2A08

What grade [are you in/were you in when you left high school]?

- 1 = 10th grade
- 2 = 11th grade
- 3 = 12th grade
- 4 = No grade system used in your high school

Variable Name(s): F2A09

Do you plan to get a GED, high school diploma, or certificate of attendance?

- 1 = Yes
- 0 = No

Variable Name(s): F2A10

About what month and year do you expect to [receive a high school diploma/ receive a certificate of attendance/take the examination for the GED or other high school equivalency exam/receive a high school diploma or certificate of attendance or to take the examination for the GED or other high school equivalency exam]?

* Month:

- 1 = January
- 2 = February
- 3 = March
- 4 = April
- 5 = May
- 6 = June
- 7 = July
- 8 = August
- 9 = September
- 10 = October
- 11 = November
- 12 = December

* Year:

- 2006 = 2006
- 2007 = 2007
- 2008 = 2008 or after

Variable Name(s): F2A11

In what month and year did you last attend high school?

* Month:

- 1 = January
- 2 = February
- 3 = March
- 4 = April
- 5 = May
- 6 = June
- 7 = July
- 8 = August
- 9 = September
- 10 = October
- 11 = November
- 12 = December

* Year:

- 2002 = 2002
- 2003 = 2003
- 2004 = 2004
- 2005 = 2005
- 2006 = 2006

Variable Name(s): F2A12

What grade were you in during the spring term of 2004?

- 1 = 10th grade
- 2 = 11th grade
- 3 = 12th grade
- 4 = No grade system was used in your school
- 5 = You were not in school in the spring term of 2004

Variable Name(s): F2A13

In the spring term of 2004, were you ever out of school for four or more weeks in a row? Do not include school breaks or an absence due to illness or injury.

- 1 = Yes
- 0 = No

Variable Name(s): F2A14A-G

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Here are some reasons other people have given for leaving high school. Which of these would you say were your reasons when you [left school in F2A11/left school before the spring term of 2004/were out of school during the spring term of 2004]? Was it...

- * because you got a job?
- * because you didn't like school?
- * because you couldn't get along with your teachers or other students?
- * because [you were pregnant or you/you] became a [mother/father]?
- * because you had to support your family or care for a family member?
- * because you were suspended or expelled from school?
- * because you did not feel safe at school?

- 1 = Yes
 - 0 = No
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Variable Name(s): F2A14H-N

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(Here are some reasons other people have given for leaving high school. Which of these would you say were your reasons when you [left school in F2A11/left school before the spring term of 2004/were out of school during the spring term of 2004]? Was it...)

- * because you felt you did not belong at school?
- * because you couldn't keep up with your schoolwork?
- * because you were getting poor grades or failing school?
- * because you couldn't work and go to school at the same time?
- * because you thought you could not complete coursework requirements or pass a test required for graduation?
- * because you thought it would be easier to get a GED?
- * because you missed too many school days?

1 = Yes

0 = No

Section B: Postsecondary Education

The following questions are about education after high school.

Variable Name(s): F2B01

[When you participated in ELS:2002 in the spring of 2004, you indicated you had applied to [preloaded postsecondary institution 1] [and [preloaded postsecondary institution 2]].]

[To confirm, did you apply/Have you ever applied] to [any/this school or any other/either of these school or any other] colleges, universities, vocational-technical or trade schools?

1 = Yes

0 = No

Variable Name(s): F2B02

Did you apply...

1 = while still in high school,

2 = sometime after high school, or

3 = both?

Variable Name(s): F2B03

[When you were in high school, how/How/When you were in high school, when you first applied, how/When you first applied, how] many colleges, universities, vocational-technical or trade schools did you apply to?

Variable Name(s): Not delivered

As mentioned, our information shows that you had applied to [[preloaded postsecondary institution 1]/[preloaded postsecondary institution 1] and [preloaded postsecondary institution 2]].

Is this information correct?

1 = Yes, I applied to both of these schools.

2 = No, I did not apply to [preloaded postsecondary institution 1] but I did apply to [preloaded postsecondary institution 2].

3 = No, I did not apply to [preloaded postsecondary institution 2] but I did apply to [preloaded postsecondary institution 1].

4 = No, I did not apply to either school.

Variable Name(s): F2IIPED, F2ISTATE, F2ILEVEL, F2ICNTRL

We would like to know where you applied to [when you were in high school/after high school/when you first applied].

(You have already named: [Names of postsecondary institutions already identified])

What is the name of [the school/a school/another school] you applied to? (Do not use acronyms or abbreviations of school names. For example, do not enter ASU for Arizona State University or BTI for

Berks Technical Institute. You can narrow your search by selecting the state and/or city. Then select continue.)

From the list below, click on the name of the school you applied to [when you were in high school/after high school/when you first applied].

If the school is not listed:

Make sure you did not use abbreviations or acronyms

Make sure you did not misspell any words

Make sure the school is not located in a different city.

You may change the city and/or state and click

"Continue" to get a new list of schools.

If you still cannot find your school, click "Unable to Find School".

Please provide the following information about this school:

State:

City:

School name:

Is this school a...

1 = Four-year college or university

2 = Two-year community college

3 = Vocational, technical or trade school

Is this school...

1 = Public

2 = Private, not-for-profit

3 = Private, for-profit

Variable Name(s): Not delivered

(You have already named: [Names of postsecondary institutions already identified])

[This is the only school/These are all the schools] you applied to [when you were in high school/ when you first applied].

Is that correct?

1 = Yes

0 = No. Need to add another school.

Variable Name(s): F2B04

[When you were in high school, did/Did] you or your family apply for financial aid such as grants, scholarships, fellowships, loans, or work-study to help pay for your education [at this school/at these schools]?

1 = Yes

0 = No

Variable Name(s): F2B05A-F2B05G

What were the reasons you and your family did not apply for financial aid?

(Please check all that apply)

- * The aid application process was too difficult
- * You or your family thought you would not qualify for aid
- * You or your family could not afford to pay back a loan
- * You or your family were able to pay for education without financial aid
- * You or your family did not want to report financial information
- * You were offered aid without applying (e.g., ROTC, athletic scholarship)
- * Another reason

Variable Name(s): F2IACCP

[If more than one school] Which of these schools accepted you? Were you accepted at...

(Please check all that apply)

[Name of first school applied to]

[Name of second school applied to]

Etc.

None of these schools?

[If only one school] Were you accepted at [school name]?

(Please check one box)

Yes

No

Variable Name(s): F2IGRANT, F2ILOAN, F2IWKSTY, F2IWAIVR, F2NOA

What kinds of financial aid did [postsecondary institution(s) where accepted] offer you for the first academic year?

(Please check all that apply)

- * Scholarship or Grant
- * Loan
- * Work Study job
- * Tuition waiver or discount
- * None of the above

Variable Name(s): F2B06

Apart from any aid offers from [this school/these schools], were you offered any forms of financial aid that could be used at any school? Examples would be scholarships to attend a college within your state or a grant that you received from your church or temple to attend the school of your choice.

1 = Yes

0 = No

Variable Name(s): F2B07

Now, we want to know about any schools you may have attended since high school, [even ones you have not already named/even if you did not apply. (Some schools do not require an application for admission. They admit all students who register for classes.)] Since you [received your high school diploma/received your high school certificate of attendance/received your GED or other equivalency/completed high school/left high school], have you attended a college, university, vocational-technical or trade school where you took courses for credit? (Please include all schools, even if you have not completed a course.)

1 = Yes

0 = No

Variable Name(s): F2B08A-F2B08G

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Which of the following are reasons why you have not continued your education after high school? Would you say you have not continued your education...

- * because you don't like school?
- * because your grades are not high enough?
- * because your college admission scores are not high enough?
- * because you won't need more education for the career you want?
- * because you can't afford to go on to school?
- * because you'd rather work and make money than go to school?
- * because you don't feel that going on to school is important?

1 = Yes

0 = No

Variable Name(s): F2B08H-F2B08NA

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(Which of the following are reasons why you have not continued your education after high school? Would you say you have not continued your education...)

- * because you need to help support your family?
- * because you have a good job?
- * because you were not accepted at the school(s) where you wanted to go?
- * because you had a traumatic experience (such as you were in an accident, a victim of a crime, grieving a death)?
- * because you have personal health reasons?
- * because you were incarcerated?
- * for another reason?

1 = Yes

0 = No

* Specify:

Variable Name(s): F2B09

Which one of these is the main reason you have not continued your education after high school?
 "Yes" responses to F2B08A-F2B08N listed here as response options

Variable Name(s): F2B10

How many colleges, universities, vocational-technical or trade schools have you attended since high school?

Variable Name(s): F2IATTND

(You have already named: [Names of postsecondary institutions already identified])

What is the [first/second/third/fourth...] school you attended since high school?

- 1 = [Name of first school where accepted]
- 2 = [Name of second school where accepted]
- 3 = Etc.
- 99 = A school not listed here

Variable Name(s): F2IIPED, F2ISTATE, F2ILEVEL, F2ICNTRL

(You have already named: [Names of postsecondary institutions already identified])

What is the name of the [first/second/third...] school you attended since high school?

(Do not use acronyms or abbreviations of school names. For example, do not enter ASU for Arizona State University or BTI for Berks Technical Institute. You can narrow your search by selecting the state and/or city. Then select continue.)

(From the list below, click on the name of the [first/second/third...] school you attended.
 If the school is not listed:
 Make sure you did not use abbreviations or acronyms
 Make sure you did not misspell any words
 Make sure the school is not located in a different city.
 You may change the city and/or state and click "Continue" to get a new list of schools.
 If you still cannot find your school, click "Unable to Find School".)

Please provide the following information about this school:
 State:
 City:
 School name:
 Is this school a...
 1 = Four-year college or university
 2 = Two-year community college
 3 = Vocational, technical or trade school

Is this school...
 1 = Public
 2 = Private, not-for-profit
 3 = Private, for-profit

Variable Name(s): F2ISTART

What month and year did you first start attending [postsecondary institution(s) attended]?

- * Month:
- 1 = January
 - 2 = February
 - 3 = March
 - 4 = April
 - 5 = May
 - 6 = June
 - 7 = July
 - 8 = August
 - 9 = September
 - 10 = October
 - 11 = November
 - 12 = December
- * Year:
- 1 = 2002
 - 2 = 2003
 - 3 = 2004
 - 4 = 2005
 - 5 = 2006

Variable Name(s): F2IPRE4, F2I0401 – F2I0608

Please indicate all of the months you have been enrolled at [postsecondary institution(s) attended] [starting with [F2ISTART]/since you left high school in [F2A11 /since you received your GED or other equivalency in F2A03].

If your enrollment covers only a portion of any month, please include that month.
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Variable Name(s): F2IFTPT

While enrolled at [postsecondary institution(s) attended], [have you been/were you]...
 1 = full-time or mainly full-time,
 2 = part-time or mainly part-time, or
 3 = an equal mix of full-time and part-time?

Variable Name(s): Not delivered

(You have already named: [Names of postsecondary institutions already identified])
 [This is the only school/These are all the schools] you attended since high school.
 Is that correct?
 1 = Yes
 0 = No

Variable Name(s): F2B11A-F2B11G

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According to your dates of enrollment, you took a break from school after high school. Which of the following are reasons why you decided not to continue your education right after high school? Was it...

- * because you could not afford schooling after high school?
- * because you needed to earn money to pay for school?
- * because you did not receive enough financial aid?
- * because you were not accepted at the schools where you wanted to go?
- * because you needed to improve your academic qualifications?
- * because you were admitted to a school, but only on a deferred basis?
- * because you wanted to work?

1 = Yes
 0 = No

Variable Name(s): F2B11H-F2B11NA

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(Which of the following are reasons why you decided not to continue your education right after high school? Was it...)

- * because you wanted to serve in the military?
- * because you needed to help support your family?
- * because you wanted to travel or pursue other interests?
- * because you had a traumatic experience (such as you were in an accident, a victim of crime, grieving a death)?
- * because you had personal health reasons?
- * because you were incarcerated?
- * for another reason?

1 = Yes
 0 = No

* Specify:

Variable Name(s): F2B12

Which one of these is the main reason you decided not to continue your education right after high school? ["Yes" responses to F2B11A-F2B11NA listed here as response options]

Variable Name(s): F2B13A-F2B13F

The next questions are about your experience with [F2PS1].

Why did you decide to attend [F2PS1]?

(Please check all that apply)

- * Program of study
- * Reputation (of program, faculty, or school)
- * Cost (affordability or other financial reasons)
- * Location
- * Personal or family reasons
- * Another reason

Variable Name(s): F2B14

Which of the following is the main reason you decided to attend [F2PS1]?

Checked items F2B13A-F2B13NA listed here as response options

Variable Name(s): F2B15

When you began at [F2PS1], what field of study did you think you would most likely pursue? (Please choose one)

- 1 = Business or Marketing
- 2 = Health (for example, Medical Technology, Nursing, Pre-Med)
- 3 = Education (for example, Teaching)
- 4 = Engineering or Engineering Technology
- 5 = Computer or Information Sciences
- 6 = Natural Sciences or Mathematics (for example, Biology, Physics, or Statistics)
- 7 = Environmental Studies
- 8 = Social Sciences or Social Work (for example, Psychology, History, Political Science)
- 9 = Architecture, Design, or Urban Planning
- 10 = Fine Arts (for example, Music, Theater, Dance)
- 11 = Humanities (for example, English, Philosophy, Foreign Languages)
- 12 = Communications (for example, Journalism)
- 13 = University Transfer or General Education
- 14 = Other Vocational Programs (for example, Cosmetology, Culinary Arts, or Construction)
- 15 = Other
- 16 = Don't know/Undecided

Variable Name(s): F2B16A-F2B16C

At [F2PS1], [have you ever taken/did you ever take] remedial or developmental courses to improve your...

- * Reading skills?
- * Writing skills?
- * Mathematics skills?

1 = Yes
 0 = No

Variable Name(s): F2B17A-F2B17D

To what extent did the following high school courses prepare you for [F2PS1]? Would you say not at all, somewhat, or a great deal?

- * High school math courses
 - * High school science courses
 - * High school English or writing courses
 - * High school vocational or technical courses
- 1 = Not at all
2 = Somewhat
3 = A great deal
4 = Did not take in high school

Variable Name(s): F2B18A-F2B18G

During the time that you [have been/were] enrolled at [F2PS1], how often [have/did] you [participated/participate] in the following activities? Choose never, sometimes, or often. How often [have/did] you...

- * [talked/talk] with faculty about academic matters outside of class time?
 - * [met/meet] with your advisor concerning academic plans?
 - * [worked/work] on coursework at your school library?
 - * [used/use] the web to access your school library for coursework?
 - * [participated/participate] in intramural or nonvarsity sports?
 - * [participated/participate] in varsity or intercollegiate sports?
 - * [participated/participate] in other extracurricular activities?
- 1 = Never
2 = Sometimes
3 = Often

Variable Name(s): F2B19A-F2B19K

According to your dates of enrollment, you've been enrolled in school some terms and taken other terms off. Which of the following are reasons why you took a break from school?

- (Please check all that apply)
- * Completed degree or certificate
 - * Finished taking desired classes
 - * Academic problems
 - * Classes not available/scheduling not convenient
 - * Dissatisfaction with program/school/campus/faculty
 - * Financial reasons
 - * Family responsibilities
 - * Personal health reasons
 - * Called for military service
 - * Traumatic experience (accident, victim of crime, grieving a death)
 - * Another reason

Variable Name(s): F2B20A-F2B20H

You indicated earlier that you attended school on a part-time basis for at least some of your time in school. Which of the following are reasons you attended school part-time rather than full-time?

- (Please check all that apply)
- * Financial reasons
 - * Full-time program was not available
 - * Family responsibilities
 - * Worked while attending school
 - * Pursuing other interests or hobbies
 - * Personal health reasons
 - * Traumatic experience (accident, victim of crime, grieving a death)
 - * Another reason
- 1 = Yes
0 = No

Variable Name(s): F2B21A-F2B21L

Which of the following are reasons you left [F2PS1] and enrolled at another school?

- (Please check all that apply)
- * Completed degree or certificate
 - * Finished taking desired classes
 - * Pursue Bachelor's degree at a 4-year college
 - * Academic problems
 - * Classes not available /scheduling not convenient
 - * Dissatisfaction with program/school/campus/faculty
 - * Location
 - * Financial reasons
 - * Family responsibilities
 - * Personal health reasons
 - * Traumatic experience (accident, victim of crime, grieving a death)
 - * Another reason

Variable Name(s): F2B22

Now in 2006, have you declared a major yet at [F2PS2006]?

- 0 = Not in a degree program
1 = Declared major
2 = Declared double major
3 = Not yet declared

Variable Name(s): F2B23A

What is your [first] major or field of study?

Variable Name(s): F2B23B - F2B23C

Please click on the entry in the list below that most closely describes your field of study:

[F2B23A].
If your field is not listed, click on the "None of these" button on the bottom of the screen to see more choices.

Variable Name(s): F2B23B - F2B23C

Please help us to categorize [F2B23A] using the drop-down list boxes.

(Coding Directions: Please select a general area and then the specific discipline within the general area. Use the arrow at the right side of the first dropdown box to display the general areas. Click to select the desired general area, and then select the desired specific discipline within the area from the second dropdown box.)

Variable Name(s): F2B24

What is your second major or field of study?
(Please do not include a minor.)

Variable Name(s): F2B25A-F2B25H

How have you and your family paid for your education at [name of school attended since high school/all the schools you attended since high school]?

(Please check all that apply)

- * Grants or scholarships
- * Student loans
- * Parent loans (loans taken out by your parents)
- * College work-study
- * Your savings or job earnings (other than from College Work-Study)
- * Contributions from parents, guardians, or relatives
- * Employer assistance or tuition reimbursement
- * Other

Variable Name(s): F2B26

How much [have you already borrowed/did you borrow] in student loans for your education after high school? (Please do not include any money borrowed from family or friends.)

Variable Name(s): F2B27

Are your parents or guardians helping you or going to help you to repay your education loans?

1 = Yes

0 = No

Variable Name(s): F2B28

[Not including the amount you have already borrowed, how much more/How much] do you expect you will borrow in student loans for your undergraduate education? (If you do not expect to take out any student loans in the future, please enter zero. Please do not include any money you may borrow from family or friends.)

Variable Name(s): F2B29A-F2B29K

According to your dates of enrollment, currently, you are not enrolled in school. Which of the following are reasons you are not in school?

(Check all that apply)

- * Completed a degree or certificate
- * Finished taking desired classes
- * Academic problems
- * Classes not available/scheduling not convenient
- * Dissatisfaction with program/school/campus/faculty
- * Financial reasons
- * Family responsibilities
- * Personal health reasons
- * Called for military service
- * Traumatic experience (accident, victim of crime, grieving a death)
- * Another reason

Variable Name(s): F2B30

As things stand now, what is the highest level of education you ever expect to complete?

1 = Less than high school graduation

2 = GED or other equivalency only

3 = High school graduation only

4 = Attend or complete a 1- or 2-year program in a community college or vocational school

5 = Attend college, but not complete a 4- or 5-year degree

6 = Graduate from college (4- or 5-year degree)

7 = Obtain a Master's degree or equivalent

8 = Obtain a Ph.D., M.D., or other advanced degree

9 = Don't know

Section C: Employment

The next questions are about paid employment you have had [since you received your high school diploma/since you received your high school certificate of attendance/since you received your GED or other equivalency/since you completed high school/since you left high school] including self-employment, work done for a family business, or the armed forces. [We are also interested in school-related jobs such as paid internships, co-ops and Work Study jobs.] Do not include unpaid community service or volunteer work.

Variable Name(s): F2C01

Have you ever held a job for pay since [leaving high school/receiving your GED or other equivalency], not including volunteer work?

- 1 = Yes
- 0 = No

Variable Name(s): F2C02

Did you hold a job for pay at any time between [leaving high school/receiving your GED or other equivalency] [in F2A03/F2A11] and first enrolling at [F2PS1] in [F2ISTART for F2PS1]?

- 1 = Yes
- 0 = No

Variable Name(s): F2C03A - F2C03B

The next questions are about the first job you held after [leaving high school/you received your GED or other equivalency]. This may be a job you started while you were still in high school. If you had more than one job, please refer to the job at which you worked the most hours.

- * What was your job title?
- * What did you do in your first job after high school?

Variable Name(s): F2ONET16

(Please click on the entry in the list below that most closely describes [F2C03A]/your first job after high school.

If an appropriate entry does not appear in the list, you may search again by changing the keywords in one of the textboxes above, and clicking on one of the "Search" buttons. If you are still unable to find your job by searching, click on the "None of these" button at the bottom of the screen.)

Variable Name(s): F2ONET16

Please find the best occupational category to describe [F2C03A /your first job after high school].

- * Please select a general category:
- * Please select a more specific category within this area:
- * Please select a final detailed category:

Variable Name(s): F2C04

What month and year did you start [this job as a(n) [F2C03A]/your first job after high school]?

- 1 = January
 - 2 = February
 - 3 = March
 - 4 = April
 - 5 = May
 - 6 = June
 - 7 = July
 - 8 = August
 - 9 = September
 - 10 = October
 - 11 = November
 - 12 = December
- 2002 = 2002 or before
 - 2003 = 2003
 - 2004 = 2004
 - 2005 = 2005
 - 2006 = 2006

Variable Name(s): F2C05

How many hours per week on average did you work at this job [when you first started/after leaving high school [in F2A03/F2A11]/after receiving your GED or other equivalency [in F2A03]]?

Variable Name(s): F2C06A - F2C06B

On average, how much did you earn at this job [when you first started/after leaving high school [in F2A03/F2A11]/after receiving your GED or other equivalency [in F2A03]/ after leaving high school] (including any tips)?

- 1 = per hour
- 2 = per day
- 3 = per week
- 4 = every two weeks/twice a month
- 5 = per month
- 6 = per year

Variable Name(s): F2C07

On this job, were you...

- 1 = working for an employer,
- 2 = a member of the armed forces,
- 3 = working for your family's business or farm, or
- 4 = self-employed?

Variable Name(s): F2C08A - F2C08E

How did you find [your job as a(n) [F2C03A]/this job]?

(Please check all that apply)

- * Responded to job advertisements in a newspaper, magazine or on the internet
- * Sent out resume or contacted employers
- * Networked with friends or relatives
- * Used school assistance such as the placement office, school job fairs, or spoke with faculty/staff
- * Found the job in another way

Variable Name(s): F2C09

Do you still work for [this employer/your family business or farm/yourself]?

- 1 = Yes
- 0 = No

Variable Name(s): F2C10

What month and year did you last work for [that employer/yourself/your family business or farm]?

- 1 = January
 - 2 = February
 - 3 = March
 - 4 = April
 - 5 = May
 - 6 = June
 - 7 = July
 - 8 = August
 - 9 = September
 - 10 = October
 - 11 = November
 - 12 = December
- 2002 = 2002 or before
 - 2003 = 2003
 - 2004 = 2004
 - 2005 = 2005
 - 2006 = 2006

Variable Name(s): F2C11

Why are you no longer working for [that employer/yourself/your family business or farm]?

Would you say...

- 1 = you left voluntarily or quit,
- 2 = you were laid off,
- 3 = the company went out of business or plant closed,
- 4 = you were discharged or fired,
- 5 = your temporary or seasonal job ended,
- 6 = you left on disability, or
- 7 = some other reason?

Variable Name(s): F2C12

Besides [your job with this employer/working for your family business or farm/working for yourself], do you currently have another job at which you work more hours per week?

- 1 = Yes
- 0 = No

Variable Name(s): F2C13

Are you currently working for pay?

- 1 = Yes
- 0 = No

Variable Name(s): F2C14

Do you still work as a(n) [F2C03A] with your first employer after high school?

- 1 = Yes
- 0 = No

Variable Name(s): F2C15

What is the main reason you are not currently working for pay?

- 1 = Have not found a job you want yet
- 2 = Unable to find a job
- 3 = Do not need to work
- 4 = Volunteering instead of working
- 5 = Family responsibilities
- 6 = Personal health reasons
- 7 = Traumatic experience (accident, victim of crime, grieving a death)
- 8 = Another reason

Variable Name(s): F2C16A - F2C16B

[For the next questions, please refer to the job at which you work the most hours.]

[The next questions are about your current job.]

[The next questions are about your current job. If you have more than one job, please refer to the job at which you work the most hours.]

- * What do you do in your current job?
- * What is your current job title?

Variable Name(s): F2ONETC6

(Please click on the entry in the list below that most closely describes

[F2C16A].

If an appropriate entry does not appear in the list, you may search again by changing the keywords in one of the textboxes above, and clicking on one of the "Search" buttons. If you are still unable to find your job by searching, click on the "None of these" button at the bottom of the screen.)

Variable Name(s): F2ONETC6

Please find the best occupational category to describe [F2C16A].

- * Please select a general category:
- * Please select a more specific category within this area:
- * Please select a final detailed category:

Variable Name(s): F2C17

What month and year did you start your current job as a(n) [F2C16A]?

- 1 = January
 - 2 = February
 - 3 = March
 - 4 = April
 - 5 = May
 - 6 = June
 - 7 = July
 - 8 = August
 - 9 = September
 - 10 = October
 - 11 = November
 - 12 = December
- 2002 = 2002 or before
 2003 = 2003
 2004 = 2004
 2005 = 2005
 2006 = 2006

Variable Name(s): F2C18

Currently, how many hours per week on average do you work at this job?

Variable Name(s): F2C19A - F2C19B

On average, how much do you earn at this job (including any tips)?

- 1 = per hour
- 2 = per day
- 3 = per week
- 4 = every two weeks/twice a month
- 5 = per month
- 6 = per year

Variable Name(s): F2C20

On this job, are you...

- 1 = working for an employer,
- 2 = a member of the armed forces,
- 3 = working for your family's business or farm, or
- 4 = self-employed?

Variable Name(s): F2C21

At your current job, does your employer make health insurance available to you?

- 1 = Yes
- 0 = No

Variable Name(s): F2C22A - F2C22D

How satisfied are you with the following aspects of this job? Would you say very satisfied, somewhat satisfied, or dissatisfied?

- * The job's pay and fringe benefits?
- * Its working conditions?
- * The opportunity for promotion and advancement?
- * Its security and permanence?

- 1 = Very satisfied
- 2 = Somewhat satisfied

3 = Dissatisfied

Variable Name(s): F2C23

Which of these best describes this job?

- 1 = A career position
- 2 = A way to explore a career option
- 3 = A way to save money for school
- 4 = A way to pay the bills
- 5 = A way to earn spending money

Variable Name(s): Not delivered – input to F2EMPRES4 and F2EM0401-F2EM0608

[According to the information you have provided, you [left high school in/received your GED or other equivalency in] [F2A03/F2A11] and started your first job in [F2C04]].

Which months [between [F2A03/F2A11] and [F2C04]] were you looking for work?

(Check all that apply)

*[F2A03/F2A11] - [F2C04]

Variable Name(s): Not delivered – input to F2EMPRES4 and F2EM0401-F2EM0608

Were you employed each month from the time you left your first employer until you started your current job[, that is from [F2C10] to [F2C17]?

- 1 = Yes
- 0 = No

Variable Name(s): Not delivered – input to F2EMPRES4 and F2EM0401-F2EM0608

Which months were you without a job from the time you left your first employer [in F2C10] until you started your current job [in F2C17]? (If you worked any portion of a month, do not include that month.)

(Check all that apply)

* [F2C10] – [F2C17]

Variable Name(s): Not delivered – input to F2EMPRES4 and F2EM0401-F2EM0608

Which of these months were you looking for work?

(Check all that apply)

* [Months selected in previous question]

Variable Name(s): Not delivered – input to F2EMPRES4 and F2EM0401-F2EM0608

Which months have you been without a job since you left your first employer, that is since [F2C10]?

(Check all that apply)

* [F2C10] – F2 interview month, 2006

Variable Name(s): Not delivered – input to F2EMPRES4 and F2EM0401-F2EM0608

Which of these months were you looking for work?
 (Check all that apply)

* [Months selected in previous question]

Variable Name(s): F2C24

Now we are interested in your work experience while enrolled in school after high school. [This may include work experience you have already mentioned.]

During the 2004-2005 school year, how many jobs for pay did you have while you were enrolled? (If you did not work for pay or only worked during breaks from school, answer zero.)

Variable Name(s): F2C25A - F2C25C

[Was this job.../Were any of these jobs...]

* [a paid internship or co-op job/paid internships or co-op jobs]?

* [a Work-Study job/Work-Study jobs]?

* related to your studies or career goals?

1 = Yes

0 = No

Variable Name(s): F2C26

When you were enrolled in the 2004-2005 school year, how many hours did you work in a typical week?

* hours per week

Variable Name(s): F2C27

What was your main reason for working while you were enrolled during the 2004-2005 school year? Was it to...

1 = earn spending money,

2 = pay tuition, fees, or living expenses,

3 = gain job experience, or

4 = for some other reason?

Variable Name(s): F2C28

Could you have afforded to attend school if you had not worked while enrolled during the 2004-2005 school year?

1 = Yes

0 = No

Variable Name(s): F2C29

[Now we are interested in your work experience while enrolled in school after high school.] [This may include work experience you have already mentioned.]

During the 2005-2006 school year, how many jobs for pay did you have while you were enrolled? (If you did not work for pay or only worked during breaks from school, answer zero.)

Variable Name(s): F2C30A - F2C30C

[Was this job.../Were any of these jobs...]

* [a paid internship or co-op job/paid internships or co-op jobs]?

* [a Work-Study job/Work-Study jobs]?

* related to your studies or career goals?

1 = Yes

0 = No

Variable Name(s): F2C31

When you were enrolled in the 2005-2006 school year, how many hours did you work in a typical week?

* hours per week

Variable Name(s): F2C32

What was your main reason for working while you were enrolled during the 2005-2006 school year? Was it to...

1 = earn spending money,

2 = pay tuition, fees, or living expenses,

3 = gain job experience, or

4 = for some other reason?

Variable Name(s): F2C33

Could you have afforded to attend school if you had not worked while enrolled during the 2005-2006 school year?

1 = Yes

0 = No

Variable Name(s): F2C34

What were your total earnings from all jobs in the 2005 calendar year?

Variable Name(s): F2C35

Income information is very important to this study and the usefulness of its results.

Please indicate the range that best estimates your total job earnings in 2005.

0 = No income

1 = Less than \$1,000

2 = \$1,000-\$2,999

3 = \$3,000-\$5,999

4 = \$6,000-\$9,999

5 = \$10,000-\$14,999

6 = \$15,000-\$19,999

7 = \$20,000-\$24,999

8 = \$25,000-\$34,999

9 = \$35,000-\$49,999

10 = \$50,000 and above

Variable Name(s): F2C36

Now, we have a few questions about your current finances and future employment plans.

Do you financially contribute to anyone else's support, such as children, parents, siblings, grandparents, aunts, or other relatives, regardless of whether or not they currently live with you?

1 = Yes

0 = No

Variable Name(s): F2C37

How many credit cards do you have in your own name that are billed to you?

(If none, enter zero.)

Variable Name(s): F2C38

Have you used your credit [card/cards] to pay any portion of your tuition?

1 = Yes

0 = No

Variable Name(s): F2C39

Do you usually pay off your credit card [balance/balances] each month, or carry the [balance/balances] over from month to month?

1 = Pay off balances

2 = Carry balances

Variable Name(s): F2C40A - F2C40B

What job or occupation do you expect or plan to have when you are 30 years old?

What do you expect to do in this job?

* Not planning to work at age 30

* Don't know

1 = Yes

0 = No

Variable Name(s): F2ONET36

(Please click on the entry in the list below that most closely describes [F2C40A].

If an appropriate entry does not appear in the list, you may search again by changing the keywords in one of the textboxes above, and clicking on one of the "Search" buttons. If you are still unable to find your job by searching, click on the "None of these" button at the bottom of the screen.)

Variable Name(s): F2ONET36

Please find the best occupational category to describe [F2C40A].

* Please select a general category:

* Please select a more specific category within this area:

* Please select a final detailed category:

Variable Name(s): F2C41

How much education do you think you need to get [the job you expect or plan to/ a job you might] have when you are 30 years old?

1 = Some high school

2 = High school diploma or GED

3 = Less than 2 years in a community college or vocational school

4 = Completion of a 2-year program at a community college or vocational school

5 = Some college, but not complete a 4- or 5-year degree

6 = 4- or 5-year college degree

7 = Master's degree

8 = Ph.D.

9 = Professional degree (such as J.D. or M.D.)

Section D: Community

Now a few questions about your family, household, and community involvement.

Variable Name(s): F2D01

Are you currently...

- 1 = single and never married,
- 2 = married,
- 3 = separated,
- 4 = divorced, or
- 5 = widowed?

Variable Name(s): F2D02

In what month and year did your marriage begin? (If you have been married more than once, please report the date your first marriage began.)

* Month

- 1 = January
- 2 = February
- 3 = March
- 4 = April
- 5 = May

* Year

- 6 = June 2002 = 2002 or before
- 7 = July 2003 = 2003
- 8 = August 2004 = 2004
- 9 = September 2005 = 2005
- 10 = October 2006 = 2006
- 11 = November
- 12 = December

Variable Name(s): F2D03

Have you had any biological children [, that is, children born to you/, that is, children for whom you are the natural father]?

- 1 = Yes
- 0 = No

Variable Name(s): F2D04

How many biological children have you had?

Variable Name(s): F2D05

In what month and year was your [first] biological child born?

* Month

- 1 = January
- 2 = February
- 3 = March
- 4 = April
- 5 = May
- 6 = June
- 7 = July
- 8 = August
- 9 = September
- 10 = October
- 11 = November
- 12 = December

* Year

- 2001 = 2001 or before
- 2002 = 2002
- 2003 = 2003
- 2004 = 2004
- 2005 = 2005
- 2006 = 2006

Variable Name(s): F2D06

When you were first enrolled at [F2PS1] [in F2ISTART for F2PS1], did you live...

- 1 = in school-provided housing,
- 2 = with your parent(s) or guardian(s), or
- 3 = some place else off campus?

Variable Name(s): F2D07

[During the spring term of 2006 at [F2PS2006], did you live/Now, during the spring term of 2006 at [F2PS2006] do you live]...

- 1 = in school-provided housing,
- 2 = with your parent(s) or guardian(s), or
- 3 = some place else off campus?

Variable Name(s): F2D08A - F2D08I

[Now, how/During the spring of 2006, how/During the spring term of 2006 at F2PS2006, how] many of each of the following people [live/lived] with you?

[If you [live/lived] in a room or suite in a dormitory or a [fraternity/sorority], only list those who [share/shared] that room or suite with you.]

[If you [live/lived] by yourself, please indicate so.]

* You [live/lived] alone.

- 1 = Yes
- 0 = No

- * Your father or male guardian.
- * Your mother or female guardian.
- * Friends or roommates (including girlfriends/boyfriends).
- * Brothers or sisters (including adoptive, step, and foster siblings).
- * Your spouse (husband or wife).
- * Your biological [child/children].
- * [Other children/Children] in your care (such as adopted or stepchildren)
- * Others not already listed

Variable Name(s): F2D09

The following questions are about your activities over the past two years, that is, since [current month] 2004. During the past two years, have you performed any unpaid volunteer or community service work through such organizations as youth groups, service clubs, church clubs, school groups, or social action groups?
1 = Yes
0 = No

Variable Name(s): F2D10A - F2D10H

Which of the following types of organizations have you been involved with in your unpaid volunteer or community service work during the past two years?
* A youth organization such as coaching Little League or helping out with scouts
* School or community organizations, such as Big Brother, Big Sister, or Key Club
* Political clubs or organizations
* Church or church-related groups (not including worship services)
* Community centers, neighborhood improvement, or social action associations or groups
* Organized volunteer group in a hospital or nursing home
* Education organizations
* A conservation, recycling, or environmental group such as Sierra Club or the Nature Conservancy
1 = Yes
0 = No

Variable Name(s): F2D11

During the past two years, how often did you spend time volunteering or performing community service?
1 = Less than once a month
2 = At least once a month, but not weekly
3 = At least once a week

Variable Name(s): F2D12

During the past two years, have you voted in a local or state election?
1 = Yes
0 = No

Variable Name(s): F2D13

Did you vote in the 2004 Presidential election?
1 = Yes
0 = No

Variable Name(s): F2D14

Now, we have some questions about any military service as well as significant life events. [Since leaving high school, have you/Have you ever] served in the regular Armed Forces, the Coast Guard, the National Guard or the Reserves?
1 = Yes
0 = No

Variable Name(s): F2D15A - F2D15G

In the past two years, have any of the following happened to you?
* Your parents or guardians got divorced or separated
* One of your parents or guardians lost his or her job
* One of your parents or guardians died
* A close relative or friend died
* You became seriously ill or disabled
* A family member became seriously ill or disabled
* You were the victim of a violent crime
1 = Yes
0 = No