

**2020 PEW RESEARCH CENTER'S AMERICAN TRENDS PANEL
WAVE 77 OCTOBER 2020
FINAL TOPLINE
OCTOBER 13-19, 2020
TOTAL N=10,332**

NOTE: ALL NUMBERS ARE PERCENTAGES UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED. THE PERCENTAGES LESS THAN 0.5% ARE REPLACED BY AN ASTERISK (*). ROWS/COLUMNS MAY NOT TOTAL 100% DUE TO ROUNDING. THE QUESTIONS PRESENTED BELOW ARE PART OF A LARGER SURVEY CONDUCTED ON THE AMERICAN TRENDS PANEL.

	Sample size	Margin of error at 95% confidence level
U.S. adults	10,332	+/- 1.6 percentage points

ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS HELD FOR FUTURE RELEASE

ASK ALL:

TIMEOFF As you may know, some companies have given working parents additional time off to deal with disruptions caused by the coronavirus outbreak. Do you think this is...
[RANDOMIZE RESPONSE OPTIONS]

Oct 13-19,
2020

16	Unfair because workers who do not have children end up having to do more work
83	Fair because parents are dealing with demands at home that other workers do not have
2	No answer

ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS PREVIOUSLY RELEASED OR HELD FOR FUTURE RELEASE

ASK IF EMPLOYED AND HAS ONLY ONE JOB OR A PRIMARY JOB AND IS PARENT WITH CHILD <18 IN HOUSEHOLD (JOBNUM=1,2 AND XPARENT=1) [n=1,914]:

FAMSURV35 Since the beginning of the coronavirus outbreak, have you personally experienced the following because you were balancing work and parenting responsibilities?
[RANDOMIZE ITEMS]

	<u>Yes, have experienced this</u>	<u>No, have not experienced this</u>	<u>No answer</u>
a. Needed to reduce your work hours Oct 13-19, 2020	30	70	*
b. Felt like you couldn't give 100% at work Oct 13-19, 2020	49	51	*
c. Turned down a promotion Oct 13-19, 2020	6	94	*
d. Turned down an important assignment at work Oct 13-19, 2020	13	87	*

TREND FOR COMPARISON:

	<u>Yes, have experienced this</u>	<u>No, have not experienced this</u>	<u>No answer</u>
a. Needed to reduce your work hours Jun 25-Jul 8, 2019 ¹	49	49	2
b. Felt like you couldn't give 100% at work Jun 25-Jul 8, 2019	47	51	2
c. Turned down a promotion Jun 25-Jul 8, 2019	19	79	2

ASK IF EMPLOYED AND HAS ONLY ONE JOB OR A PRIMARY JOB AND IS PARENT WITH CHILD <18 IN HOUSEHOLD (JOBNUM=1,2 AND XPARENT=1) [n=1,914]:

FAMSURV36 Since the beginning of the coronavirus outbreak, have you personally experienced the following at work because you have children? **[RANDOMIZE ITEMS]**

	<u>Yes, have experienced this</u>	<u>No, have not experienced this</u>	<u>No answer</u>
a. Being passed over for a promotion Oct 13-19, 2020	7	93	*
b. Being passed over for an important assignment Oct 13-19, 2020	10	90	*
c. Being treated as if you weren't committed to your work Oct 13-19, 2020	15	85	1

TREND FOR COMPARISON:

	<u>Yes, have experienced this</u>	<u>No, have not experienced this</u>	<u>No answer</u>
a. Being passed over for a promotion Jun 25-Jul 8, 2019 ²	16	83	1
b. Being passed over for an important assignment Jun 25-Jul 8, 2019	17	82	1
c. Being treated as if you weren't committed to your work Jun 25-Jul 8, 2019	23	76	1

¹ In 2019, question wording was "Have you personally experienced the following because you were balancing work and parenting responsibilities?" and was asked of all employed respondents who had children under 18 in the household, not just those with one or a primary job (n=1,983). In 2019, item wording was "Needing to reduce your work hours," "Feeling like you couldn't give 100% at work" and "Turning down a promotion." Additionally, the order of FAMSURV35 and FAMSURV36 was randomized in the 2019 survey.

² In 2019, question wording was "Have you personally experienced the following at work because you have children?" Additionally, this question was asked of all employed respondents who had children under 18 in the household, not just those with one or a primary job (n=1,983).

ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS PREVIOUSLY RELEASED OR HELD FOR FUTURE RELEASE**ASK IF EMPLOYED AND HAS ONLY ONE JOB OR A PRIMARY JOB AND CURRENTLY WORKS FROM HOME AT LEAST SOME OF THE TIME (WFHCURR=1-3) [n=2,503]:**

WFHSPACE Since the beginning of the coronavirus outbreak, how easy or difficult has each of the following been for you when working from home? **[RANDOMIZE ITEMS; SHOW RESPONSE OPTIONS IN REVERSE ORDER FOR RANDOM HALF OF SAMPLE]**

	<u>Very easy</u>	Somewhat <u>easy</u>	Somewhat <u>difficult</u>	Very <u>difficult</u>	No <u>answer</u>
a. Being able to get your work done without interruptions					
Oct 13-19, 2020	31	37	24	8	*

ADDITIONAL ITEMS PREVIOUSLY RELEASED**ASK IF PARENT WITH CHILD <18 IN HOUSEHOLD AND CURRENTLY WORKS FROM HOME AT LEAST SOME OF THE TIME (XPARENT=1 AND WFHCURR=1-3) [n=867]:**

CHILDHOME Do you have any child care responsibilities when you're working from home?

Oct 13-19, <u>2020</u>	
24	A lot
41	Some
25	Not much
10	None at all
*	No answer

ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS PREVIOUSLY RELEASED**ASK IF EMPLOYED AND HAS ONLY ONE JOB OR A PRIMARY JOB AND WORKING BEFORE COVID (CVDEMPLOYER=1,2) [n=5,716]:**

CVDBALANCE Compared with before the coronavirus outbreak, is it...
[RANDOMIZE RESPONSE OPTIONS 1 AND 2 WITH 3 ALWAYS LAST]

Oct 13-19, <u>2020</u>	
15	Easier for you to balance work and family responsibilities
27	Harder for you to balance work and family responsibilities
58	About the same
*	No answer

ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS PREVIOUSLY RELEASED

ASK IF EMPLOYED AND HAS ONLY ONE JOB OR A PRIMARY JOB AND IS PARENT WITH CHILD <18, REGARDLESS OF WHETHER CHILD IS IN HOUSEHOLD (XKIDS1=1 AND JOBNUM=1,2) [n=2,029]:

WLBALANCE1 How difficult, if at all, would you say it is for you personally to balance the responsibilities of your job with the responsibilities of your family? **[SHOW RESPONSE OPTIONS IN REVERSE ORDER FOR RANDOM HALF OF SAMPLE]**

Oct 13-19,
2020

12	Very easy
40	Somewhat easy
40	Somewhat difficult
8	Very difficult
*	No answer

TREND FOR COMPARISON:

	<u>Very difficult</u>	<u>Somewhat difficult</u>	<u>Not too difficult</u>	<u>Not at all difficult</u>	<u>No answer</u>
Feb 28-Mar 12, 2017 ³	10	47	35	8	*

ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS PREVIOUSLY RELEASED OR HELD FOR FUTURE RELEASE

ASK PARENT WITH CHILD <18 IN HOUSEHOLD (XPARENT=1) [n=2,561]:

CHILD_LT12 Are you the parent or guardian of any children under the age of 12 who live in your household?

Oct 13-19,
2020

74	Yes
26	No
*	No answer

TREND FOR COMPARISON:

	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>No answer</u>
Mar 19-24, 2020 ⁴	74	26	*

ASK IF PARENT WITH CHILD <12 IN HOUSEHOLD (CHILD_LT12=1) [n=1,830]:

CVCHILDCARE How easy or difficult has it been for you to handle child care responsibilities during the coronavirus outbreak? **[SHOW RESPONSE OPTIONS IN REVERSE ORDER FOR RANDOM HALF OF SAMPLE]**

Oct 13-19,
2020

18	Very easy
32	Somewhat easy
36	Somewhat difficult
14	Very difficult
*	No answer

³ In 2017, question wording was "How difficult would you say it is for you personally to balance the responsibilities of your job with the responsibilities of your family?" Additionally, the question was asked of all employed respondents who had children under 18 (regardless of whether the child lives in the household), not just those with one or a primary job (n=468), was not shown in reverse order for half of the sample, and was called WORKLIFE. The 2017 survey was administered by web and phone. Results reported here are from web mode only.

⁴ In March 2020, question wording was "Do you have children under the age of 12 living in your household?" and was asked of all respondents in that survey wave. Results shown in this topline are among parents with children under 18 living in the household only.

TREND FOR COMPARISON:

	Very <u>easy</u>	Somewhat <u>easy</u>	Somewhat <u>difficult</u>	Very <u>difficult</u>	No <u>answer</u>
Mar 19-24, 2020 ⁵	32	33	25	10	*

ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS PREVIOUSLY RELEASED OR HELD FOR FUTURE RELEASE

⁵ In March 2020, response options for this question were not shown in reverse for a random half of the sample and was asked of respondents with children under age 12 living in the household, regardless of whether they are the respondent's children or not (n=2,539).