# **Peace Corps Millennial Online Survey**

# **Quotas**

| Age          | <u>Total</u><br><u>Completes</u> | <u>White</u><br>- | <b>AA</b><br>-  | <u>Asian</u>   | Other/No Answer |
|--------------|----------------------------------|-------------------|-----------------|----------------|-----------------|
| <u>15-17</u> | <u>250</u>                       | <u>188 (75%)</u>  | <u>38 (15%)</u> | <u>12 (5%)</u> | <u>12 (5%)</u>  |
| 18-22        | <u>375</u>                       | <u>277 (74%)</u>  | 60 (16%)        | <u>19 (5%)</u> | <u>19 (5%)</u>  |
| 23-26        | <u>375</u>                       | 282 (75%)         | 52 (14%)        | 22 (6%)        | 19 (5%)         |
| Total        | 1000                             | 747               | 150             | 53             | 50              |

| <u>Age</u>   | <u>Total Completes</u> | <u>Hispanic</u> |  |
|--------------|------------------------|-----------------|--|
| <u>15-17</u> | <u>250</u>             | <u>55 (22%)</u> |  |
| <u>18-22</u> | <u>375</u>             | 82 (22%)        |  |
| <u>23-26</u> | <u>375</u>             | <u>75 (20%)</u> |  |
| Total        | 1000                   | 212             |  |

| <u>Age</u>   | Total Completes | <u>Male</u>      | <u>Female</u>    |  |
|--------------|-----------------|------------------|------------------|--|
| <u>15-17</u> | <u>250</u>      | <u>125 (50%)</u> | <u>125 (50%)</u> |  |
| <u>18-22</u> | <u>375</u>      | <u>187 (50%)</u> | <u>188 (50%)</u> |  |
| <u>23-26</u> | <u>375</u>      | 187 (50%)        | 188 (50%)        |  |
| Total        | 1000            | 500              | 500              |  |

# **Section A: Screening Criteria**

S1. What is your age?

Type IN A NUMBER

(TERMINATE IF UNDER 15 OR OVER 26; OTHERWISE CONTINUE. RANGE = 1-99)

**S2.** What is your gender? **PLEASE SELECT ONE** 

Male Female S3. Do you consider yourself to be Hispanic, Latino, or of Spanish origin?

PLEASE SELECT ONE.

Yes

No

Prefer not to answer

**S4.** Which of the following best describes your ethnicity?

SELECT ALL THAT APPLY

Asian Native American/Pacific Islander Black/African American White/Caucasian

**S5.** Do you have any dependents? By dependents, we mean children, family members, or loved ones that rely on you for financial support, or for day-to-day support (due to disability, etc.).

Yes [TERMINATE]

No

**S6.** Have you participated in any volunteer activities in the past 6 months? This may include volunteer work that you did with your school, neighborhood, religious group, civic organization, etc. where you were not paid but feel that the activity benefitted others.

Yes

No

Don't know/Not sure

#### [ASK S7 IF PARTICIPATED IN VOLUNTEER ACTIVITIES IN PAST 6 MONTHS]

S7. In an average month, how many hours would you say you spend participating in volunteer activities? This may include volunteer work that you did with your school, neighborhood, religious group, civic organization, etc. where you were not paid but feel that the activity benefitted others. Would you say that you spend...

Less than 1 hour

2-5 hours

6-10 hours

11-20 hours

21-30 hours

31-40 hours

More than 40 hours

#### Section B: Attitude/Lifestyle Segmentation\_

Q1. I'd now like to get your opinion on a variety of lifestyle issues. For each statement, please tell me how much you agree or disagree with it. Using a scale from 1 to 6 where 6 means that you completely agree and 1 means you completely disagree, how would you rate the following?

#### PLEASE SELECT ONE FOR EACH STATEMENT

#### Scale:

- 6 -- Completely Agree
- 5 Strongly Agree
- 4 Slightly Agree
- 3 Slightly Disagree
- 2 Strongly Disagree
- 1 -- Completely Disagree

#### **Statements:**

- a. A college education is very important for success in today's world
- b. Having close friendships is important to my happiness
- c. I keep my emotions balanced.
- d. I am disorganized and not detail oriented
- e. I am often concerned about my family's level of debt
- f. I consider myself a very competitive person
- g. I consider myself a very responsible person
- h. I don't like to take chances
- i. I'm uncertain about what will happen in the future
- j. I feel confident that I know how to adequately deal with most emergencies
- k. I have a good sense of humor
- I. I have made changes in my life based on what I believe will help me stay healthy
- m. I have somewhat old-fashioned tastes and habits
- n. I lead a very active life
- o. I like my life to be predictable from day-to-day
- p. I like to be the center of attention
- q. I like to spend time with my family
- r. I love going out and meeting other people
- s. I make a special effort to volunteer in my community
- t. I prefer to spend a quiet evening at home rather than going out with my friends
- u. I see myself as extraverted and enthusiastic
- v. I see myself as sympathetic and warm
- w. I tend to be conservative in my attitude and lifestyle
- x. I usually feel pretty sure my life will work out the way I want it to
- y. I very seldom make detailed plans
- z. I want to be loved and supported by others
- aa. I want to be recognized and appreciated by others
- bb. I want to enrich myself
- cc. I want to have a life similar to people around me
- dd. I want to have a life that is stimulated by new interests
- ee. I want to have a stable life
- ff. I want to have amusement and enjoy life
- gg. I want to have an affluent life
- hh. I want to help people in trouble or less fortunate than myself
- ii. I want to make an effort to achieve something in my life
- ii. I work very hard most of the time

kk. I worry a lot about myself or a family member becoming a victim of a crime

II. It's important to me that any volunteering I do has a real impact

mm. I'm a thrill seeker

nn. I'm a very independent personoo. I'm always trying to better myself

pp. I'm more successful than most people I know

qq. I'm very liberal in my thinking

rr. My family's happiness is my main priority

ss. My friends often consider me to be the "leader"

tt. Religion is an important part of my life

uu. I am pretty set in my ways.

vv. I am flexible and go with the flow ww. I am accepting of different ideas

xx. I consider myself a good problem solver

yy. I like to gather information before making a decision zz. I am worried about the economy and job opportunities

aaa. I feel that inequality is the most pressing issue facing the world today

Q2. About how much time you spend on the following activities in an average day?

#### Scale:

0 Minutes

1-15 minutes

16-30 minutes

31-60 minutes

61-90 minutes

91-120 minutes

More than 2 hours, but less than 4 hours

More than 4 hours

#### **Activities:**

Listening to AM, FM or satellite radio

Listening to streaming music or media (e.g., podcasts, Spotify and/or Pandora)

Plaving video games

Reading books, either on paper or in a digital format

Reading printed newspapers or magazines that are online or in a digital format

Using email or text messaging

Making voice calls (on the phone, or using software like Skype or Facetime)

Posting on and/or checking Facebook

**Using Twitter** 

Using photo-sharing social media: Instagram and Snapchat

Using video-sharing social media: YouTube, Vine, and/or Keek

Using apps on my phone

Watching streaming media (Hulu, Netflix, etc.)

Surfing the internet on a phone, (excluding social media, email, or reading online newspapers or magazines)

Surfing the internet on a tablet, (excluding social media, email, or reading online newspapers or magazines)

Surfing the internet on a desktop or laptop computer, (excluding social media, email, or reading online newspapers or magazines)

Watching DVDs, BlueRay or over-the-air or cable TV

# Other Activities; (time permitting)

Studying

Volunteering

Spending time with friends

Spending time with family/relatives

Praying or attending religious services

Shopping

Working at a paying job

Exercise or sports

Attending school

Pursue creative hobbies (write or journal, arts and crafts, play music, sing, or dance, cook or bake, etc.)

# **Section C: Peace Corps Awareness and Familiarity (3 minutes)**

Q3. Listed below are several volunteer organizations. How familiar are you with each of them? (Select one response across for each organization listed).

|  | Not aware    | Only heard of it  | I am somewhat    | I am very     |
|--|--------------|-------------------|------------------|---------------|
|  | of it at all | but not at all    | familiar with it | familiar with |
|  |              | familiar with it. | and what they    | it and what   |
|  |              |                   | do               | they do.      |
| a. AmeriCorps  | 1            | 2                 | 3                | 4             |
| b. Habitat for Humanity                                    | 1            | 2                 | 3                | 4             |
| c. Peace Corps   | 1            | 2                 | 3                | 4             |
| d. Teach for America                                       | 1            | 2                 | 3                | 4             |
| e. Jet Program (Japan<br>Exchange and Teaching<br>Program) | 1            | 2                 | 3                | 4             |
| f. Mobilizing for Global<br>Change                         | 1            | 2                 | 3                | 4             |

# ASK Q4-Q7 OF ALL RESPONDENTS AWARE OF PEACE CORPS (Top 3 Box—those who answered 2, 3 or 4) IN Q3c.

Q4. Based on what you know about the Peace Corps, how favorable or unfavorable is your overall opinion of the Peace Corps in general?

Very favorable Somewhat favorable Neither favorable nor unfavorable Somewhat unfavorable Q5. Based on your understanding of what the Peace Corps does, how likely would you be to consider volunteering?

#### Scale:

- 6 Definitely would consider
- 5 Very likely to consider
- 4 Somewhat likely to consider
- 3 Somewhat unlikely to consider
- 2 Very unlikely to consider
- 1 Definitely would not consider
- Q6. Based on what you know about the Peace Corps, which of the following is true or false about the organization?

#### Scale:

True

False

Don't Know

- The time commitment is two years
- The Peace Corps is affiliated with the US government
- The Peace Corps is a division of the military
- Peace Corps is a disaster relief organization
- Peace Corps volunteers do not have access to technology (e.g., Internet or cell phones)
- Peace Corps volunteers are only placed in very remote, rural areas
- Peace Corps volunteers all live together
- Peace Corps volunteers have access to in-country Peace Corps staff for medical and other support services
- Peace Corps provides language and skills training
- Peace Corps volunteers are frequently subjected to violence and sexual assault
- Peace Corps volunteers have a great deal of input to shape the work they are doing
- Peace Corps volunteers have their living expenses covered
- Q7. Based on what you know about the Peace Corps, which of the following types of work does the Peace Corps do? (Select all that apply. Randomize list.)
  - Most positions primarily require manual labor
  - Distributes medicine
  - Intervenes to prevent in-country conflict
  - Promotes gender equality
  - Advises on business economic development
  - Promotes environmental awareness and conservation
  - Works in HIV/AIDS prevention
  - Teaches computer skills and how to adapt new technologies
  - Works in refugees camps to provide relief
  - Works with foreign governments to influence policy
  - Works as part of American embassies abroad

### Section D: Perception of Peace Corps as Part of Life Cycle (2 minutes)

Q8. Besides altruism and helping others, which **ONE** of the below statements best describes the reason that **you** think most people join the Peace Corps? (**Randomize list.**)

It's a way to change your life or routine by doing something new or different. It's a central part of an overall plan for their lives It's an adventure—a way to see the world It provides hands-on experience in a career field It's a chance to learn about other cultures

# Section E: Themes and Incentives for Joining/Not Joining the Peace Corps (3 minutes) [From Qualitative. Can be used as drivers of propensity to join.]

Q9. The Peace Corps sends Americans to host countries that have invited them to help develop sustainable solutions to address challenges in education, health, economic development, agriculture, environment and youth development.

If you were to consider joining the Peace Corps, below is a list of reasons that might influence your decision. Using a scale from 1 to 5 where 5 means that it will definitely influence you and 1 means it will definitely not influence you, how would you rate the following?

#### PLEASE SELECT ONE FOR EACH STATEMENT

#### Scale:

- 5 Definitely will influence
- 4 Probably will influence
- 3 Might or might not influence
- 2 Probably will not influence
- 1 Definitely will not influence

#### <u>Incentives</u>

- a. Help with student loans
- b. Sense of adventure
- c. Learn a new language
- d. A life-changing experience
- e. Make a difference in a community
- f. Become part of a global community
- g. Develop leadership skills
- h. Represent the United States abroad
- i. Strengthen your career
- j. Become part of an active global alumni network

- k. Get training to build your resume
- I. Improve the lives of others
- m. Choose the country to volunteer in
- n. Choose what type of work you do
- o. Serve due to limited job opportunities in the United States
- p. Using your skills and talents for a good cause
- q. Challenging yourself in a unique environment
- r. Graduate school program specifically for Peace Corps volunteers

# ASK Q10-11 OF ALL RESPONDENTS.

Q10. Based on what you know about the Peace Corps, how favorable or unfavorable is your overall opinion of the Peace Corps in general?

Very favorable Somewhat favorable Neither favorable nor unfavorable Somewhat unfavorable Very unfavorable

Q11. Based on your understanding of what the Peace Corps does, how likely would you be to consider volunteering?

#### Scale:

- 6 Definitely would consider
- 5 Very likely to consider
- 4 Somewhat likely to consider
- 3 Somewhat unlikely to consider
- 2 Very unlikely to consider
- 1 Definitely would not consider
- Q12. Follow-up question: We suggest respondents rank their top 5 influences; for anything that they rate as top 2 box on the scale, we show those items and have them rank them.

Please rank the following items in terms of how likely they would be to influence you to consider joining the Peace Corps. That is, put a "1" next to the item/statement that would most influence you, a "2" next the item/statement that would influence you second, and so on until you have ranked your top 5 items.

RANK ORDER YOUR TOP 5 ITEMS

Q13. Below is a different kind of list and a different task. Below are some reasons that might discourage someone from joining the Peace Corps. Again use a scale from 1 to 5. Using a scale from 1 to 5 where 5 means that it would definitely prevent you and 1 means it would definitely not prevent you, how would you rate the following? (Can be used as drivers.)

#### **Dis-Incentives**

- a. A commitment of 2 years
- b. Concerns about safety
- c. Serving in a very remote location
- d. Reports of crimes committed against Peace Corps volunteers
- e. No salary beyond living expenses
- f. Being away from family and friends for 2 years
- g. Serving in a politically unstable country
- h. Lack of access to technology
- i. Concerns about living conditions
- j. Pursuing graduate or professional school
- k. Consequences of delaying entry into the work force
- I. Having family responsibilities
- m. Concerns about getting a job after Peace Corps service
- n. Need to pay back student loans

#### Scale:

- 5 Definitely will prevent
- 4 Probably will prevent
- 3 Might or might not prevent
- 2 Probably will not prevent
- 1 Definitely will not prevent
- Q14. Follow-up question: We suggest respondents rank their top 5 barriers; for anything that they rate as top 2 box on the scale, we show those items and have them rank them.

Please rank the following items in terms of how likely they would be to prevent you from considering joining the Peace Corps. That is, put a "1" next to the item/statement that would most prevent you, a "2" next the item/statement that would prevent you second, and so on until you have ranked your top 5 items.

RANK ORDER YOUR TOP 5 ITEMS

#### **Section 6: Demographics**

**Transition screen:** And finally, we have a few questions for classification purposes only. Please be assured that your responses to these, as well as to all the other questions, are completely confidential.

#### ASK 015 OF ALL RESPONDENTS

Q15. Are you currently a full or part-time student?

**PLEASE SELECT ONE** (Final answer categories to be agreed upon)

Yes

No

# ASK Q16 IF CURRENTLY A STUDENT AT Q15

### Q16. What kind of school are you currently attending?

Grade School High school Vocational school

2 year college

4 year college/university

Graduate school

Professional (medical school, law school, etc.)

Pursuing doctorate Prefer not to answer

# ASK Q17 IF LESS THAN GRADUATE SCHOOL AT Q16

Q 17 Do you plan to complete a four year college degree?

Yes

No

Prefer not to answer

Don't know/Not sure

# ASK Q18 IF NOT CURRENTLY A STUDENT AT Q15

Q18. What was the last level of school you completed?

Grade School

High school Vocational school

2 year college

4 year college/university

Graduate school

Professional (medical school, law school, etc.)

Pursuing doctorate

Prefer not to answer

# ASK Q19 IF LESS THAN FOUR YEAR COLLEGE AT Q18

Q 19 Do you plan to complete a four year college degree?

Yes

No

Prefer not to answer

Don't know/Not sure

# Q20. What is your current employment status?

Employed part-time
Employed full-time
Self-employed
Temporarily unemployed
Retired or disabled and not employed
Full-time student
Full-time homemaker
Prefer not to answer

# Q21. What is your current marital status?

Married/living with a partner Single/never married Divorced/separated Widowed Prefer not to answer

# Q22. Have you ever been a Peace Corps volunteer?

Yes No Prefer not to answer Don't know/Not sure

# Q23. Have any of your relatives ever been a Peace Corps volunteer?

Yes No Prefer not to answer Don't know/Not sure