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BACKGROUND INFORMATION

- 1. Were you on active duty on October 26, 2021?
 - X Yes
 - No, I have separated or retired
- 2. What is your current paygrade?
 - E-1 E-6
- W-1
- O-1/O-1E

- **E-2**
- **E-7**
- W-2
- O-2/O-2E

- **E**-3
- **E-8**
- W-3
- O-3/O-3E

- E-4E-5
- **∑** E-9
- W-4
 W-5
- **№** 0-5
- O-6 or above
- 3. What is your marital status?
 - Married Married
 - Separated
 - Divorced
 - Widowed
 - Never married
- 4. [Ask if Q3 = "Divorced" OR Q3 = "Widowed" OR Q3 = "Never married"] Do you have a significant other?
 - X Yes
 - X No

In the following section, you will be asked questions about your spouse's employment status in enough detail to ensure comparability with national employment surveys.

- 5. [Ask if Q3 = "Married" OR Q3 = "Separated"] Is your spouse currently serving on active duty (not a member of the National Guard or Reserve)?
 - X Yes
 - X No
- 6. [Ask if (Q3 = "Married" OR Q3 = "Separated")
 AND Q5 = "No"] Is your spouse currently
 serving as a member of the National Guard or
 Reserve in a full-time, active duty program
 (AGR/FTS/AR)?
 - X Yes
 - X No
- 7. [Ask if (Q3 = "Married" OR Q3 = "Separated")
 AND Q5 = "No" AND Q6 = "No"] Is your spouse
 currently serving as a member of another type
 of National Guard or Reserve unit (e.g., drilling
 unit, Individual Mobilization Augmentee [IMA],
 Individual Ready Reserve [IRR])?
 - X Yes
 - No No
- 8. [Ask if (Q3 = "Married" OR Q3 = "Separated")
 AND Q5 = "No" AND Q6 = "No"] Last week, did
 your spouse do any work for pay or profit?
 Mark "Yes" even if your spouse worked only 1
 hour or helped without pay in a family business
 or farm for 15 hours or more.
 - X Yes
 - X No
- 9. [Ask if (Q3 = "Married" OR Q3 = "Separated")
 AND Q5 = "No" AND Q6 = "No" AND Q8 = "No"]

 Last week, was your spouse temporarily absent from a job or business?
 - Yes, on vacation, temporary illness, labor dispute, etc.
 - X No
- 10. [Ask if (Q3 = "Married" OR Q3 = "Separated")
 AND Q5 = "No" AND Q6 = "No" AND Q8 = "No"
 AND Q9 = "No"] Has your spouse been looking
 for work during the last 4 weeks?
 - X Yes
 - X No

11. [Ask if (Q3 = "Married" OR Q3 = "Separated") AND Q5 = "No" AND Q6 = "No" AND Q8 = "No" AND Q9 = "No" AND Q10 = "Yes"] Last week, could your spouse have started a job if offered one, or returned to work if recalled? ☐ Yes, my spouse could have gone to work ☐ No, because of his/her temporary illness ☐ No, because of state occupational licensing barriers	14. [Ask if Q13 = "Yes"] How many children or other legal dependents do you have in the age group specified below? To indicate none, select "0." To indicate nine or more, select "9." 5 years and younger 6-13 years old
 No, because child care was not available No, because of other reasons (in school, etc.) 12. What is the highest degree or level of school or training that you have completed? Mark the one answer that describes the highest grade, degree, or level of training that you have completed. 	14-18 years old 19-22 years old T
 ✓ 12 years or less of school (no diploma) ✓ High school graduate—traditional diploma ✓ High school graduate—alternative diploma (home school, GED, etc.) ✓ Professional license, accreditation, or certificate (e.g., fitness instructor, massage therapist, electrician, welder) ✓ Some college credit, but less than 1 year 	23 years and older 15. Are you Spanish/Hispanic/Latino? No, not Spanish/Hispanic/Latino Yes, Mexican, Mexican-American, Chicano, Puerto Rican, Cuban, or other Spanish/Hispanic/Latino
 1 or more years of college, no degree Associate's degree (e.g., AA, AS) Bachelor's degree (e.g., BA, AB, BS) Master's, doctoral, or professional school degree (e.g., MA, MS, MEd, MEng, MBA, MSW, PhD, MD, JD, DVM, EdD) 	 16. What is your race? Mark one or more races to indicate what race you consider yourself to be. ✓ American Indian/Alaska Native ✓ Asian (e.g., Asian Indian, Chinese, Filipino, Japanese, Korean, Vietnamese) ✓ Black or African American ✓ Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander (e.g.,
For the next questions, the definition of "child, children, or other legal dependents" includes anyone in your family, except your spouse , who has, or is eligible to have, a Uniformed Services Identification and Privilege card (also called a military ID card) or is eligible for military health care benefits, and is enrolled in the Defense Enrollment Eligibility Reporting System (DEERS). 13. Do you have a child, children, or other legal dependents based on the definition above? Yes No	Samoan, Guamanian or Chamorro) White 17. Where is your permanent duty station (homeport) located? In one of the 50 states, D.C., Puerto Rico, or a U.S. territory or possession Europe (e.g., Germany, Italy, Belgium, United Kingdom) Former Soviet Union (e.g., Russia, Tajikistan, Uzbekistan, Kazakhstan) East Asia and Pacific (e.g., Australia, Japan, Korea) North Africa, Near East, or South Asia (e.g., Bahrain, Kuwait, Saudi Arabia, Diego Garcia) Sub-Saharan Africa (e.g., Djibouti, Kenya, Liberia, South Africa) Western Hemisphere (e.g., Cuba, Honduras, Peru)

Other or not sure

18.	[Ask if Q17 = "In one of the 50 states, D.C.,		Very dissatisfied
	Puerto Rico, or a U.S. territory or possession"] Please select from the list below your		Dissatisfied
	permanent duty station location (homeport) within one of the 50 states, D.C., Puerto Rico,		Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied
	or a U.S. territory or possession.		
	-		Satisfied
19.	Where do you live at your permanent duty station?		Very satisfied
	Aboard ship		e. The quality of your supervisor
	Government-owned barracks, dorm, bachelor quarters, or unaccompanied enlisted or officer housing, on base	21.	Overall, how satisfied are you with the military way of life?
	Government-owned family housing, on base		Very satisfied
	Government-owned or leased family housing, off base		Satisfied Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied
	Privatized housing, on base, that you rent		Dissatisfied
	Privatized housing, off base, that you rent		Very dissatisfied
	Civilian/community housing, off base, that you own or pay mortgage on		.,
	Civilian/community housing, off base, that you rent		RETENTION
	Other [Ask if Q19 = "Other"] Please specify where you live at your permanent duty station. Please do not include any personally identifiable	22.	How many years of active duty service have you completed (including enlisted, warrant officer, and commissioned officer time)? To indicate less than 1 year, enter "0". To indicate 35 years or more, enter "35".
	information (e.g., names, addresses).		Years
		23.	Suppose that you have to decide whether to stay on active duty. Assuming you could stay, how likely is it that you would choose to do so?
	SATISFACTION		Very likely
20	Taking all things into consideration, how		Likely
20.	satisfied are you, in general, with each of the		Neither likely nor unlikely
	following aspects of being in the military? Mark one answer for each item.		Unlikely
	Very dissatisfied		Very unlikely
	Dissatisfied	24.	[Ask if (Q3 = "Married" OR Q3 = "Separated")
	Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied		OR (Q4 = "Yes")] Does your <u>spouse or</u> <u>significant other</u> think you should stay on or
	Satisfied		leave active duty? Strongly favors staying
			Somewhat favors staying
	a. Your total compensation		Has no opinion one way or the other
	(i.e., base pay, allowances, and bonuses)		Somewhat favors leaving
	b. The type of work you do in your military job		Strongly favors leaving

c. Your opportunities for

d. The quality of your

promotion.....

coworkers

Resp	lea	ses your family think you so we active duty? Strongly favors staying Somewhat favors staying Has no opinion one way or the Somewhat favors leaving Strongly favors leaving ses from this question are used unit, and overall commitment or each statement so that these	e othe to det Plea:	er ermii se pr	ne le	vels (27.	When you leave active duty, how likely is it that you will join a National Guard or Reserve unit? Does not apply, retiring or otherwise ineligible Very likely Likely Neither likely nor unlikely Unlikely Very unlikely
26.	Ho of	d. w much do you agree or d the following statements? ceach item.						28.	Have you ever made a Permanent Change of
	IOI	each item.							Station (PCS) move? Yes
			S	tron	gly c	lisag	ree		
				D	isag	ree			⊠ No
		Neither agree	nor di	isagr	ее			29.	[Ask if Q28 = "Yes"] How many months has it
			Agr	ee					been since your last PCS move? To indicate less than one month, enter "0". To indicate
		Strongly ag	ree				1		more than 99 months, enter "99".
	a.	I enjoy serving in the							Months
	b. c.	military Serving in the military is consistent with my personal goals I would feel guilty if I left						30.	In the <u>past 12 months</u> , how many days have you had to work longer than your normal duty day (i.e., overtime)? <i>To indicate none, enter "0"</i> .
	0.	the military	$ \boxtimes $	\times	\boxtimes	\times	$ \boxtimes $		Days
	d. e.	Generally, on a day-to-day basis, I am happy with my life in the militaryI would have difficulty				X		31.	In the past 12 months, how many nights have you been away from your permanent duty
		finding a job if I left the military.	\boxtimes	X	\boxtimes	X			station (homeport) because of your military duties? <i>To indicate none, enter "0"</i> .
	f.	If I left the military, I would feel like I had let my country down				X		20	Nights
	g.	I continue to serve in the military because leaving would require						32.	In the past 24 months, have you been deployed longer than 30 consecutive days? Yes
	h.	considerable sacrifice One of the problems with leaving the military would							No No
	i.	be the lack of available alternatives						33.	[Ask if Q32 = "Yes"] Are you currently on a deployment that has lasted longer than 30 consecutive days? Yes
									No

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34.	[Ask if Q32 = "Yes" AND Q33 = "Yes"] Where are you currently deployed? ☑ In one of the 50 states, D.C., Puerto Rico, or a U.S. territory or possession ☑ Afghanistan ☑ Iraq ☑ Other North African, Near Eastern, or South Asian country (e.g., Bahrain, Kuwait, Saudi Arabia, Diego Garcia) ☑ Europe (e.g., Germany, Italy, Belgium, United Kingdom) ☑ Former Soviet Union (e.g., Russia, Tajikistan,	37.	What impact has time away (or lack thereof) from your permanent duty station (homeport) in the past 12 months had on your military career intentions? Greatly increased your desire to stay Increased your desire to stay Neither increased nor decreased your desire to stay Decreased your desire to stay Greatly decreased your desire to stay Greatly decreased your desire to stay
	Uzbekistan, Kazakhstan) East Asia and Pacific (e.g., Australia, Japan,		READINESS
35.	Korea) Sub-Saharan Africa (e.g., Djibouti, Kenya, Liberia, South Africa) Western Hemisphere (e.g., Cuba, Honduras, Peru) Other or not sure [Ask if (Q32 = "Yes" AND Q33 = "Yes") AND Q34 = "In one of the 50 states, D.C., Puerto Rico, or a U.S. territory or possession"] Please select from the list below your deployment location within one of the 50 states, D.C., Puerto Rico, or a U.S. territory or possession. [Ask if Q32 = "Yes" AND Q33 = "Yes" AND Q34 = "Other or not sure"] Please enter the name of the country or installation where you are currently deployed.	39.	Overall, how well prepared are you to perform your wartime job? Very well prepared Well prepared Neither well nor poorly prepared Poorly prepared Very poorly prepared Overall, how well prepared is your unit to perform its wartime mission? Very well prepared Well prepared Neither well nor poorly prepared Poorly prepared Very poorly prepared
36.	In the past 12 months, have you spent more or less time away from your permanent duty station (homeport) than you expected when you first entered the military? Much more than expected More than expected Neither more nor less than expected Less than expected Much less than expected		How well has your training prepared you to perform your wartime job? Very well Well Neither well nor poorly Poorly Very poorly How well has your training prepared you to perform your wartime job in support of joint operations?
			Very well Well

Neither well nor poorly

Noorly

Very poorly

STRESS

- 42. Overall, how would you rate the current level of stress in your work life?
 - Much less than usual
 - X Less than usual
 - About the same as usual
 - More than usual
 - Much more than usual
- 43. Overall, how would you rate the current level of stress in your <u>personal</u> life?
 - Much less than usual
 - X Less than usual
 - About the same as usual
 - More than usual
 - Much more than usual
- 44. In the past month, how often have you... Mark one answer for each item.

				Ve	ry of	ten
			Fair	ly of	ten	
		Son	netin	nes		
	Alı	most ne	ver			
		Never				
a.	Felt nervous and stressed?		X	\boxtimes	X	\boxtimes
b.	Felt that you were unable to control the important things in your life?		\boxtimes		\times	
C.	Been upset because of something that happened unexpectedly?		X		\times	
d.	Been angered because of things that were outside of your control?		X		\times	
e.	Felt difficulties were piling up so high that you could not overcome them?		\times		\times	
f.	Found that you could not cope with all of the things		\times		\times	

MILITARY ONESOURCE

45. In the <u>past 12 months</u>, have you used Military OneSource in the following ways to obtain confidential information or services? *Mark* "Yes" or "No" for each item.

			No
		Yes	
a.	Visited www.MilitaryOneSource.mil	\times	\boxtimes
b.	E-mailed Military OneSource		\times
C.	Talked to a Military OneSource consultant on the phone		
d.	Contacted Military OneSource to arrange for face-to-face or telephonic counseling session(s)		
e.	Contacted Military OneSource to arrange for video counseling session(s)		\boxtimes
f.	Conducted online chat with Military OneSource		\boxtimes

46. [Ask if Q45 [MATCHING ITEM] = "Yes"] How useful was/were... Mark one answer for each item.

Not use					
	Somewh	at use	eful		
	Us	eful			
	Very useful				
a.	MilitaryOneSource.mil?		X		
b.	E-mail communication with a Military OneSource consultant?		X	\boxtimes	
C.	Military OneSource consultant on the phone?		X	\boxtimes	
d.	Military OneSource face-to-face or telephonic counseling session(s)?		\times		
e.	Military OneSource video counseling session(s)?		X	\boxtimes	
f.	Online chat with Military OneSource?		X	\boxtimes	

DEPLOYMENTS IN PAST 5 YEARS

- Operation Inherent Resolve (OIR) officially began 15 Jun 2014 and includes military intervention against extremists in Iraq and Syria.
- Operation Freedom's Sentinel (OFS), a follow-on mission to Operation Enduring Freedom (OEF), officially began 1 Jan 2015 and includes missions to train Afghan soldiers and conduct counterterrorism operations against extremists in Afghanistan.
- 47. In the <u>past 5 years</u>, for which of the following operations/contingencies have you been deployed to support (either directly or indirectly)? *Mark all that apply*.

I have not deployed in the past 5 years

Operation Inherent Resolve

Operation Freedom's Sentinel

Peacekeeping operation

Mumanitarian operation

Military exercise or training

COVID-19 Response

Other

[Ask if Q47 h = "Marked"] Please specify the other operation/contingency for which you have been deployed to support (either directly or indirectly) in the <u>past 5 years</u>. Please do not include any personally identifiable information (e.g., names, addresses).

48. [Ask if Q47 b = "Marked" OR Q47 c = "Marked" OR Q47 d = "Marked" OR Q47 e = "Marked" OR Q47 f = "Marked" OR Q47 g = "Marked" OR Q47 h = "Marked"] In the past 5 years, how many times have you been deployed?

Times

49. [Ask if Q47 b = "Marked" OR Q47 c = "Marked" OR Q47 d = "Marked" OR Q47 e = "Marked" OR Q47 f = "Marked" OR Q47 g = "Marked" OR Q47 h = "Marked"] In the past 5 years, have you been deployed to a combat zone or an area where you drew imminent danger pay or hostile fire pay?

X Yes

X No

50. [Ask if (Q47 b = "Marked" OR Q47 c = "Marked" OR Q47 d = "Marked" OR Q47 e = "Marked" OR Q47 f = "Marked" OR Q47 g = "Marked" OR Q47 h = "Marked") AND Q49 = "Yes"] For your most recent deployment, how many months have you been or were you deployed to an area where you drew imminent danger pay or hostile fire pay? Include partial months. For example, if you were deployed to a combat zone for 2 days, and those days were in different months, enter "2".

Months

51. [Ask if Q47 b = "Marked" OR Q47 c = "Marked" OR Q47 d = "Marked" OR Q47 e = "Marked" OR Q47 f = "Marked" OR Q47 g = "Marked" OR Q47 h = "Marked"] Were you involved in combat operations?

X Yes

X No

52. [Ask if Q33 = "Yes" AND (Q47 b = "Marked" OR Q47 c = "Marked" OR Q47 d = "Marked" OR Q47 e = "Marked" OR Q47 f = "Marked" OR Q47 g = "Marked" OR Q47 h = "Marked") AND Q49 = "Yes"] Are you currently deployed to a combat zone or an area where you are drawing imminent danger pay or hostile fire pay?

X Yes

X No

53. [Ask if Q47 b = "Marked" OR Q47 c = "Marked" OR Q47 d = "Marked" OR Q47 e = "Marked" OR Q47 f = "Marked" OR Q47 g = "Marked" OR Q47 h = "Marked"] Were any of your deployments in the <u>past 5 years</u> longer than you expected?

X Yes

X No

FOOD ASSISTANCE

The following are statements that people have made about their food situation.

54. How often were each of the following statements true for you and your household in the past 12 months—that is, since last [name of current month]? Mark one answer for each item.

			Dor	ı't kn	ow
		Of	ten t	rue	
	Someti	mes tı	rue		
	Never	true			
a.	The food that I/we bought just didn't last, and I/we didn't have money to get more			\times	
b.	I/We couldn't afford to eat balanced meals	X	\boxtimes	X	

55. In the past 12 months, since last [name of current month], did you or other adults in your household ever cut the size of your meals or skip meals because there was <u>not</u> enough money for food?

X	Yes
	1 53

X No

Non't know

56. [Ask if Q55 = "Yes"] In the past 12 months, how often did you or other adults in your household cut the size of your meals or skip meals because there was <u>not</u> enough money for food?

Almost every month

Some months but not every month

Only 1 or 2 months

■ Don't know

57. In the past 12 months, did you ever eat less than you felt you should because there was <u>not</u> enough money for food?

X Yes

X No

Non't know

58. In the past 12 months, were you ever hungry but did not eat because there was <u>not</u> enough money for food?

X Yes

X No

Non't know

HEALTH-RELATED QUALITY OF LIFE MEASURE (HRQOL)

59. Would you say that in general your health is...

Excellent?

✓ Very good?

X Good?

X Fair?

X Poor?

60. Now thinking about your <u>physical health</u>, which includes physical illness and injury, how many days during the past 30 days was your health not good? *To indicate none, enter "0"*.

Days

61. Now thinking about your mental health, which includes stress, depression, and problems with emotions, how many days during the past 30 days was your mental health not good? To indicate none, enter "0".

Days

62. During the past 30 days, approximately how many days did poor physical or mental health keep you from doing your usual activities, such as self-care, work, or recreation? To indicate none, enter "0".

	Day
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FINANCIAL WELL-BEING AND EDUCATION

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63. Which of the following <u>best</u> describes your (and/or your spouse's) financial condition?

Very comfortable and secure

Able to make ends meet without much difficulty

Occasionally have some difficulty making ends meet

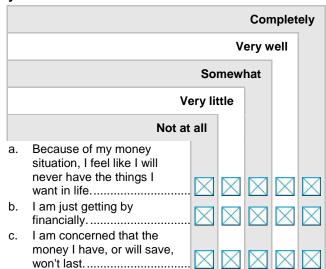
Tough to make ends meet but keeping your head above water

In over your head

Much better Somewhat better Stayed the same Somewhat worse Much worse A if Q64 = "Much better" OR Q64 = mewhat better"] Which of the following are ons why your financial situation is better it was 12 months ago? Mark "Yes" or "for each item. No Yes Change related to your employment (e.g., new job, promotion)		a. b. c. d. e. f.	Make short-term financial plans (e.g., renting a house, purchasing a vehicle, saving for vacation, medical/dental/vision expenses)	Yes	No D
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The variation of variat		d. e.	Contribute to a savings account for emergency savings or other savings goal Review your LES		
Change related to your employment (e.g., new job, promotion)	•		Review your LES Contribute to a retirement account (e.g.,		\triangleright
Change related to your employment (e.g., new job, promotion)	20		Contribute to a retirement account (e.g.,		
new job, promotion)	00		the Thrift Savings Plan (TSP), IRA, 401(k))		\triangleright
Change related to your spouse's employment (e.g., new job, promotion)		g.	Monitor your credit score/rating		\geq
	68.	yo	om which of the following resources he ureceived information, training, or unseling on <u>any</u> financial topic? <i>Marl</i>		,,
Change in your family situation (e.g., got married or divorced, fewer children living at home)			"No" for each item.		
Reduction in debt (e.g., paid off credit card debt, student loan debt, other loans)					No
Better financial management (e.g.,				Yes	
received financial education, increased savings, followed budget)		a.	Military financial training, class, or seminar (online or classroom)		\geq
if Q64 = "Much worse" OR Q64 =		b.	Military financial counseling (in-person, by telephone, or virtually)		\geq
newhat worse"] Which of the following are		c.	Unit leadership or financial specialist		
it was 12 months ago? Mark "Yes" or			Specialist, Corporal for Financial Fitness,		\triangleright
" for each item.		d.	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		
No		ű.	Relief, Navy-Marine Corps Relief Society, Air Force Aid Society, Coast Guard Mutual		
		e.	,		
ost job, between jobs, could not find job)			credit union)		\geq
employment (e.g., lost job, between jobs,			Financial Readiness, Sen\$e app, Military		
Change in your family situation (e.g., got			financial readiness program)		\geq
		g.	, •	\times	\triangleright
ncreased debt (e.g., unplanned		h.	Professional/certified financial counselor,		\triangleright
Financial management problems (e.g.,		i			$\overline{\triangleright}$
used savings, no budget)		j.	Online non-military resources (e.g., online		
		-			X
	if Q64 = "Much worse" OR Q64 = newhat worse"] Which of the following are ons why your financial situation is worse it was 12 months ago? Mark "Yes" or for each item. No Yes Change related to your employment (e.g., est job, between jobs, could not find job) Change related to your spouse's mployment (e.g., lost job, between jobs, ould not find job) Change in your family situation (e.g., got harried or divorced, had a baby, provided nancial support for family) Change in your family situation (e.g., got harried or divorced, had a baby, provided nancial support for family)	if Q64 = "Much worse" OR Q64 = newhat worse"] Which of the following are ons why your financial situation is worse it was 12 months ago? Mark "Yes" or for each item. No Yes Change related to your employment (e.g., est job, between jobs, could not find job) Change related to your spouse's employment (e.g., lost job, between jobs, ould not find job) Change in your family situation (e.g., got harried or divorced, had a baby, provided nancial support for family) Change in your family situation (e.g., got harried or divorced, had a baby, provided nancial support for family)	if Q64 = "Much worse" OR Q64 = newhat worse"] Which of the following are ons why your financial situation is worse it was 12 months ago? Mark "Yes" or "for each item. Change related to your employment (e.g., ost job, between jobs, could not find job)	b. Military financial counseling (in-person, by telephone, or virtually)	b. Military financial counseling (in-person, by telephone, or virtually). c. Unit leadership or financial specialist within your unit (e.g., Command Financial Specialist, Corporal for Financial INCO)

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69.	Which of the following statements <u>best</u> describes your (and your spouse's, if applicable) saving or investment habits?	73.	ha	the <u>past 12 months</u> , did any of the fol ppen to you (and/or your spouse)? <i>M</i> es" or "No" for each item.		g
	Unable to save or invest—usually spend more than income					No
	Unable to save or invest—usually spend about as much as income				Yes	
	Save or invest whatever is left over at the end of the month—no regular plan		a.	Failed to make a monthly/minimum payment on your credit card, including the Military Star Card	🔀	
	Save or invest regularly by putting money aside each month		b.	Failed to make a rent or mortgage payment		\boxtimes
70.	Please indicate whether the following are		C.	Had one or more debts referred to a collection agency		
	financial goals for you (and your spouse, if applicable). If a goal does not apply to you,		d.	Had telephone, cable, or Internet shut off	X	X
	please select "No, this is not a goal for me/us."		e.	Had water, heat, or electricity shut off		
	Mark one answer for each item.		f.	Failed to make a car payment		
	I/we have met this goal		g.	Had a car repossessed		
	No, this is not a goal for me/us		h.	Filed for personal bankruptcy		
	Yes, this is a goal for me/us		i.	Had to pay overdraft fees to your bank or credit union two or more times	🔀	\times
			j.	Borrowed money from family and/or		
	a. Saving for retirement		k.	friends to pay bills Took money out of a retirement fund or		
	b. Saving for child(ren)'s educationc. Saving for a safety net/emergency			investment to pay living expenses	×	
	c. Saving for a safety net/emergency fund		I.	Had personal relationship problems with your partner due to finances	\times	
	d. Paying off your education-related loans (e.g., federal or private		m.	Had your security clearance affected due to your financial condition		×
	e. Being free of debt, except for		n.	Used a charitable organization's food		
	e. Being free of debt, except for mortgage		•	pantry or food bank Had adverse personnel action due to		
	f. Buying a home		0.	financial condition	🔀	$ \times$
	g. Saving for a major purchase (e.g., vehicle, vacation, household items)		p.	Provided unplanned financial support to a family member who did <u>not</u> live with you		\boxtimes
71.	Which of the following options <u>best</u> describes how you routinely pay credit card debt?	74.		the <u>past 12 months,</u> have you (and yo ouse, if applicable) used any of the fo		ng
	Pay credit card balance in full each month		fin	ancial products or services to cover i	outin	e
	Pay more than minimum payment but not full		ex	penses? Mark "Yes" or "No" for each	ı item	•
	balance					No
	Pay only minimum payment				Yes	
	I do not use credit cards		a.	Overdraft loan or line of credit	×	\times
72.	How much do you (and your spouse, if		b.	Overdraft protection from savings, credit		
	applicable) have in an emergency savings fund,			card, or another account		
	in terms of your <u>average</u> monthly expenses?		C.	Direct deposit advance loan		
	Less than 1 month		d. e.	Payday loanVehicle title loan (a loan where you obtain		
	Between 1 and 3 months		С.	money by providing a vehicle title as collateral)		\boxtimes
	Between 3 and 6 months		f.	Cash advance on a credit card		$\overline{\times}$
	More than 6 months		g.	Pawn loan		X
	I do not have an emergency savings fund		h.	Loan or grant from a military aid society (e.g., Army Emergency Relief, Navy- Marine Corps Relief Society, Air Force Aid		
				Society, Coast Guard Mutual Assistance)	🔀	$ \times $
			i	Other loan obtained online	\times	X

75. How well does each statement describe you or your situation? *Mark one answer for each item.*



76. How often does each of the following statements apply to you? Mark one answer for each item.

	Alway					ays
Often						
		Son	netin	nes		
		Rar	ely			
		Never				
a.	I have money left over at the end of the month		X		X	
b.	My finances control my life		\times	\boxtimes	X	\boxtimes

77. The Department of Defense is interested in assessing the overall financial literacy and preparedness of military members. By completing the next set of items, you will help the Department determine how well military members understand a variety of financial-related topics. For each question or statement, please select the BEST response. If you are not sure about an answer, please select "Don't know."

78.	Suppose you had \$100 in a savings account and the interest rate was 2% per year. After five years, how much do you think you would have in the account if you left the money to grow? More than \$102 Exactly \$102 Less than \$102 Don't know
79.	Imagine that the interest rate on your savings account was 1% per year and inflation was 2% per year. After 1 year, how much would you be able to buy with the money in this account?
	More than today
	Exactly the same
	Less than today
	☑ Don't know
	Is the following statement true or false? 5-year mortgage typically requires higher monthly payments than a 30-year mortgage, but the total interest paid over the life of the loan will be less. True False
	Is the following statement true or false? ing a single company's stock usually provides a safer return than a stock mutual fund. True False Don't know
	Is the following statement true or false? nsurance deductible is an amount you are responsible for paying before the insurance company will pay on your insurance claim.

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83.	The Survivor Benefit Plan (SBP) is a monthly annuity paid following death to the beneficiaries of		SU	ICIDE PREVENTION AWARENESS AND TRAINING			
	A retiree who signs up to participate and pays a monthly premium from their retired pay	88.	The next several questions ask about a time period in your life when you may have faced				
	An active duty Service member who dies in the line of duty		son	ne challenges. We understand these are isitive issues, but the Department wants t			
	⊠ Both			ow more about members' experiences so y can help others who face similar			
	☑ Don't know			illenges. Responses to these items are			
84.	Which of the following does not impact your credit score?		res	npletely voluntary and confidential. Your ponses will only be reported in aggregate m. Your individual data will not be reporte	•		
	Paying bills on time			-			
	Checking your own credit score						
	The percentage of available credit used	89.	Hav	ve you actually had any thoughts of killing	a 		
	Applying for new credit		you	irself during the following periods? Mark			
	Don't know		"Ye	es" or "No" for each item.			
o.e	Under the Blanded Betirement Cretery (BBC)				No		
85.	Under the Blended Retirement System (BRS), the government will contribute 1% of your base			Yes			
	pay to your Thrift Savings Plan (TSP) account		a.	Ever in your life			
	and match up to an additional percent based on your TSP contribution after you are		b.	Before joining the military			
	vested in TSP.		c.	Since joining the military			
	4% for a total of 5%		d.	Within the past 12 months			
	5% for a total of 6%		e.	Within 6 months before leaving for a deployment or another mission			
	There is no government match		f.	During a deployment or another mission			
	Don't know		g.	Within 6 months after returning from a deployment or another mission			
	Is the following statement true or false? naking a decision whether or not to receive a lump sum payment from the Blended Retirement System (BRS) or another qualified retirement plan, one important factor to consider would be the potential taxes one may	90.	c = OR tho	k if Q89 a = "Yes" OR Q89 b = "Yes" OR Q89 to "Yes" OR Q89 d = "Yes" OR Q89 e = "Yes" Q89 f = "Yes" OR Q89 g = "Yes"] Have yought about how you might kill yourselfing the following periods? Mark "Yes" or o' for each item.	s" ou		
	have to pay on the lump sum payment received.				No		
	True			Yes			
			a.	Ever in your life			
	Don't know		b.	Before joining the military			
07	In managing your personal budget, what is		c.	Since joining the military			
οι.	discretionary income?		d.	Within the past 12 months			
	Special pays, allowances, and bonuses outside of military base pay		e.	Within 6 months before leaving for a deployment or another mission			
	The money used to make your rent or mortgage payment or other such fixed expenses		f. g.	During a deployment or another mission Within 6 months after returning from a			
	The money remaining after taxes and fixed expenses (such as rent/mortgage, utilities, insurance) are paid			deployment or another mission			
	Don't know						

91. [Ask if Q89 a = "Yes" OR Q89 b = "Yes" OR Q89 c = "Yes" OR Q89 d = "Yes" OR Q89 e = "Yes" OR Q89 f = "Yes" OR Q89 g = "Yes"] Have you had these thoughts and had some *intention of acting on them* during the following periods?

Mark "Yes" or "No" for each item.

			No
		Yes	
a.	Ever in your life	\times	\boxtimes
b.	Before joining the military	\times	\boxtimes
c.	Since joining the military	\times	\times
d.	Within the past 12 months	\times	\times
e.	Within 6 months before leaving for a deployment or another mission	X	\boxtimes
f.	During a deployment or another mission	\times	\times
g.	Within 6 months after returning from a deployment or another mission	X	\boxtimes

92. [Ask if Q89 a = "Yes" OR Q89 b = "Yes" OR Q89 c = "Yes" OR Q89 d = "Yes" OR Q89 e = "Yes" OR Q89 f = "Yes" OR Q89 g = "Yes"] Have you worked out a plan of how to kill yourself during the following periods? Mark "Yes" or "No" for each item.

			No
		Yes	
a.	Ever in your life		\boxtimes
b.	Before joining the military		\boxtimes
c.	Since joining the military	\square	
d.	Within the past 12 months	\mathbb{X}	X
e.	Within 6 months before leaving for a deployment or another mission		
f.	During a deployment or another mission		\times
g.	Within 6 months after returning from a deployment or another mission		

93. Did you make a suicide attempt during the following periods? *Mark* "Yes" or "No" for each item.

			No
	Y	es/	
a.	Ever in your life	\times	\boxtimes
b.	Before joining the military	\times	\times
c.	Since joining the military	\times	\times
d.	Within the past 12 months	\times	\boxtimes
e.	Within 6 months before leaving for a deployment or another mission	X	\boxtimes
f.	During a deployment or another mission	\times	\times
g.	Within 6 months after returning from a deployment or another mission	\times	\times

- 94. [Ask if Q89 c = "Yes" OR Q89 d = "Yes" OR Q89 f = "Yes" OR Q89 g = "Yes" OR Q93 c = "Yes" OR Q93 d = "Yes" OR Q93 f = "Yes" OR Q93 g = "Yes"] Since joining the military, have you ever talked to anyone about your thoughts or attempts to kill yourself?
 - X Yes
 - No, but I considered talking to someone
 - No, and I never considered talking to anyone
- 95. [Ask if (Q89 c = "Yes" OR Q89 d = "Yes" OR Q89 f = "Yes" OR Q89 g = "Yes" OR Q93 c = "Yes" OR Q93 d = "Yes" OR Q93 f = "Yes" OR Q93 g = "Yes") AND Q94 = "Yes"] Who did you talk to about these thoughts or actions? Mark all that apply.
 - Spouse or significant other
 - Parent or parental figure, sibling, or other family member
 - Friend who is not in the military
 - Military friend not in my chain of command
 - Someone in my chain of command
 - Mental health professional at a military facility (e.g., psychologist, psychiatrist, clinical social worker, other mental health counselor)
 - Civilian mental health professional at a civilian medical facility (e.g., psychologist, psychiatrist, clinical social worker, other mental health counselor)
 - General medical doctor at a military facility
 - General medical doctor at a civilian facility
 - Chaplain, pastor, rabbi, or other spiritual counselor
 - Someone at a suicide helpline (e.g., Veterans Crisis Line/Military Crisis Line, National Suicide Prevention Lifeline)
 - Some other individual/resource not listed above

- 96. [Ask if (Q89 c = "Yes" OR Q89 d = "Yes" OR Q89 f = "Yes" OR Q89 g = "Yes" OR Q93 c = "Yes" OR Q93 d = "Yes" OR Q93 f = "Yes" OR Q93 g = "Yes") AND Q94 = "No, but I considered talking to someone"] If you were to talk with someone about these thoughts or actions, who would you talk to? Mark all that apply.
 - Spouse or significant other
 - Parent or parental figure, sibling, or other family member
 - Friend who is not in the military
 - Military friend not in my chain of command
 - Someone in my chain of command
 - Mental health professional at a military facility (e.g., psychologist, psychiatrist, clinical social worker, other mental health counselor)
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 - Some other individual/resource not listed above

- 97. [Ask if (Q89 c = "Yes" OR Q89 d = "Yes" OR Q89 f = "Yes" OR Q89 g = "Yes" OR Q93 c = "Yes" OR Q93 d = "Yes" OR Q93 f = "Yes" OR Q93 g = "Yes") AND Q94 = "No, and I never considered talking to anyone"] You indicated that you did not talk to someone about your thoughts or attempts to kill yourself. Why did you choose not to talk to anyone? Mark all that apply.
 - I did not know where to get help.
 - I did not trust mental health professionals.
 - It was difficult to arrange the time to talk to someone (e.g., child care issues, could not get time off from work).
 - I was concerned it would cost too much money.
 - I was embarrassed.
 - I was concerned it might impact my security clearance (now or in the future).
 - I thought my coworkers and/or superiors would have less confidence in me if they found out.
 - I was concerned it would negatively affect my career.
 - I thought my friends and family would have less respect for me if they found out.
 - I did not think my treatment would be kept confidential.
 - I was concerned that any prescribed medications would have too many side effects.
 - I would think less of myself if I could not handle it on my own.
 - I received treatment or therapy previously and did not think it was effective.
 - I did not want anyone to interfere.
- 98. What assurances do you think Service members *need* in order to seek help for their thoughts or attempts to kill themselves? *Mark all that apply.*
 - **Confidentiality**
 - Support from their peers
 - Support from their chain of command
 - Reassurance of no impact or limited potential impact on member's career
 - Helping services with flexible or off-duty hours
 - Other

99. How much do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements? Individuals who need help with personal problems (e.g., relationship, financial) would <u>not</u> seek help because of... *Mark one answer for each item*.

Strongly disagree							
			D	isag	ree		
Neither agree nor disagree							
		Ag	ree				
	Strongly agr	ree					
a.	A negative impact to their career		X		X		
b.	Loss of privacy/ confidentiality		\times		X	\boxtimes	
C.	Fear of being perceived as "broken" by chain of command or peers		\times		\times		
d.	A situation that cannot be helped with the resources available		\times		\times		
e.	Not knowing who to turn to		\boxtimes		X		
f.	Other	X	\times	\times	\times	\times	

100. Suppose you felt trapped or stuck in a stressful situation. How likely or unlikely is it that you would use each of the following ways to deal with or cope with the situation? *Mark one answer for each item.*

Very unlikely						
Unlikely						
Neither likely nor unlikely						
	Lik	ely				
	Very likely					
a.	Ignore the situation	X		X		
b.	Avoid the situation	\times	\times	\times	X	
C.	Deal with the situation on your own to try and fix it	X		X	\boxtimes	
d.	Ask someone to help you try and fix the situation	X		X	\boxtimes	
e.	Seek out self-help resources via the Internet or books	\boxtimes		\times		
f.	Use alcohol or another harmful substance to cope with the situation	\times		\times		

101. How often do you rece	eive suicide prevention
training?	•

More than once a year

Once a year

Once every 2 years

Only at a professional military school

I do not receive suicide prevention training

102. [Ask if Q101 = "More than once a year" OR Q101 = "Once a year" OR Q101 = "Once every 2 years" OR Q101 = "Only at a professional military school"] How helpful was the suicide prevention training you received most recently in helping you recognize the following? Mark one answer for each item.

Not at all help						
Slightly helpful						
Somewhat helpful						
	Very help	oful				
	Extremely helpful					
a.	Suicidal behavior in yourself	\boxtimes		X	\boxtimes	
b.	Suicidal behavior in others	\times	X	X	X	

103. What is your level of knowledge of each of the following support services? *Mark one answer for each item.*

	I have never heard of this serv			
I have heard of this service, but I do not really know what it is.				
	I have heard of this service, but I only superficially understand it.			
	I know a lot about this service.			
a.	Military Crisis Line (MCL)/ Veterans Crisis Line (VCL)			
b.	National Suicide Prevention Lifeline			
c.	Military OneSource			
d.	DSTRESS Line			
Э.	Military & Family Life Counseling (MFLC) Program			
	Coast Guard SUPRT Program			
g.	VA Mobile Vet Center			

104. Suppose you found yourself in a situation where you thought you needed help with personal problems (e.g., relationship, financial). How likely or unlikely is it that you would use each of the following support services? *Mark one answer for each item.*

Very unlikely						ely
			Į	Jnlik	ely	
	Neither likely	nor	unlik	ely		
		Lik	ely			
	Very lik	ely				
a.	Military Crisis Line (MCL)/ Veterans Crisis Line (VCL)		X		X	\boxtimes
b.	National Suicide Prevention Lifeline		X		X	\boxtimes
c.	Military OneSource	\boxtimes	\times	\boxtimes	\times	\boxtimes
d.	DSTRESS Line	\boxtimes	\times	X	\times	\times
e.	Military & Family Life Counseling (MFLC) Program		\times		\times	
f.	Coast Guard SUPRT Program		X		X	
a.	VA Mobile Vet Center	X	\times	X	\times	X

105. In the past 12 months, did you know someone who has died by suicide?

\times	Yes
X	No

106. [Ask if Q105 = "Yes"] Did you receive suicide postvention support or counseling to help you with this loss from any of the following sources? Mark "Yes" or "No" for each item.

			No
		Yes	
a.	Unit Commander or Leader		\boxtimes
b.	Chaplain	\square	\times
c.	Casualty Assistance Officer	\square	\boxtimes
d.	Long-Term Casualty Support Coordinator	\times	\boxtimes
e.	First Responder	\square	\boxtimes
f.	Military Investigator	\mathbb{X}	\boxtimes
g.	Non-Clinical Provider (e.g., Military OneSource Counselor, MFLC)		
h.	Suicide Prevention Program Manager	\square	\times

107. [Ask if Q105 = "Yes" AND Q106 a = "Yes"] How useful was the support or counseling you received from the... Mark one answer for each item.

Not useful				
	Somewhat useful			
	Useful			
	Very useful			
a.	Unit Commander or Leader?	$\leq \boxtimes $		
b.	Chaplain?	$\leq \boxtimes$		
c. d.	Casualty Assistance Officer?			
	Coordinator?	$\leq \boxtimes $		
e.	First Responder?	$\leq \boxtimes $		
f.	Military Investigator?	$\leq \boxtimes $		
g.	Non-Clinical Provider (e.g.,			
	Military OneSource Counselor, MFLC)?			
h.	Suicide Prevention Program Manager?			

108. Have you ever intentionally hurt yourself (e.g., cut or hit yourself) to relieve stress, feel better, get sympathy, or get something else to happen without any intention of killing yourself?

\times	Yes
\times	No

TAKING THE SURVEY

A "military survey" is defined as a survey regarding military topics (e.g., readiness, programs/services, tempo, benefits).

109. Excluding this survey, how many military surveys have you been asked to complete in the past 12 months? To indicate none, select "0." To indicate 10 or more, select "10."

- 110. Thank you for participating in the survey. There are no more questions on this survey. If you have comments or concerns that you were not able to express in answering this survey, please enter them in the space provided. Your comments will be viewed and considered as policy deliberations take place. Do not include any personally identifiable information (PII) in your comments. If OPA or its data collection contractor perceives comments as a direct threat to yourself or others, out of concern for your welfare, OPA may contact an office in your area for appropriate action. Your feedback is useful and appreciated.
- 111. [Ask if Q1 = "No, I have separated or retired"]

Based on your answer to the previous question, you are ineligible to take this survey. If you feel you have encountered this message in error, click the Previous button and check your answer(s). To submit your answers, click the Submit button. For further help, please call our Survey Processing Center toll-free at 1-800-881-5307 or e-mail AD-Survey@mail.mil.