5. How close do you live to a military base/

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

	BACKGROUND INFORMATION		installation? Mark one.
Spc	buse sex and age imputed from administrative record.		Less than 30 minutes
1.	What is your marital status?		30 minutes to less than 1 hour
	Married		1 to 2 hours
	∑ Separated		More than 2 hours
	Divorced		
	Widowed	6.	What is the highest degree or level of school that you have completed? <i>Mark the one answer that describes the highest</i>
2.	Is your spouse currently serving as a		grade or degree that you have completed.
	member of the National Guard/Reserve?		12 years or less of school (no diploma)
			High school graduate—high school diploma or equivalent (e.g., GED)
			Some college credit, but less than 1 year
3.	Has your spouse previously served in a		1 or more years of college, no degree
	regular active duty Service (e.g., Army,		Associate's degree (e.g., AA, AS)
	Navy, Marine Corps, Air Force, Coast Guard) for 2 years or more?		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)
ΓA	sk if administrative data is not available in	7.	Are you Spanish/Hispanic/Latino?
_	sample frame] How many years has your		No, not Spanish/Hispanic/Latino
	spouse spent in military service? Do not		Yes, Mexican, Mexican-American, Chicano,
	count partial years. To indicate less than one year, enter "0".		Puerto Rican, Cuban, or other Spanish/Hispanic/Latino
	a. National Guard/Reserve Service Years		
	b. Active Duty Service [Ask if (Q3 = "Years"]	8.	What is your race? Mark one or more races to indicate what you consider yourself to
			be. ✓ American Indian or Alaska Native
4.	How many years have you been a military spouse? Do not count partial years. To		Asian (e.g., Asian Indian, Chinese, Filipino, Japanese, Korean, or Vietnamese)
	indicate less than one year, enter "0".		■ Black or African American
	Years		Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander (e.g., Samoan, Guamanian, or Chamorro)
			White

In this survey, 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).

9. Do you or your spouse have a child, children, or other legal dependents based on the definition above?



X No

10. [Ask if Q12 = "Yes"] How many children or other dependents do you or your spouse have in each age group? To indicate none, enter "0". To indicate nine or more, enter "9".

		0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
a.	Less than 1 year old	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	1 year to under 2 years old										
c.	2–5 years old	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
d.	6–13 years old	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
e.	14–17 years old	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
f.	18–22 years old	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
g.	23–64 years old	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
h.	65 years old or older	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

YOUR SPOUSE'S ACTIVATIONS/ DEPLOYMENTS

In this survey, the definition of "National Guard/Reserve duties" includes Inactive Duty Training (IDT drills), activations, and deployments.

11. In the <u>past 12 months</u>, how many <u>nights</u> has your spouse been away from home because of National Guard/Reserve duties? Add up <u>all</u> nights away from home. To indicate none, enter "0".

Nights

12. Has your spouse been activated (i.e., called to active duty) in the <u>past 24 months?</u> This includes activations that started more than 24 months ago and continued into the past 24 months.

\times	Yes,	my	spouse	is	currently	activated
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Yes, my spouse has been activated in the past 24 months but is not currently activated

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13. [Ask if Q12 = "Yes, my spouse is currently activated" OR Q12 = "Yes, my spouse has been activated in the past 24 months but is not currently activated"] Did any of your spouse's activations in the past 24 months result in deployment?

Yes, my spouse is currently deployed

Yes, my spouse has been deployed in the past 24 months but is not currently deployed

X No

14. How many times has your spouse been deployed for more than 30 consecutive days during your marriage? If your spouse has not been deployed for more than 30 consecutive days during your marriage, enter "0".

Times

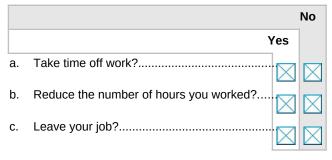
15. [Ask if (Q12 = "Yes, my spouse is currently activated" OR Q12 = "Yes, my spouse has been activated in the past 24 months but is not currently activated") AND (Q13 = "Yes, my spouse is currently deployed" OR Q13 = "Yes, my spouse has been deployed in the past 24 months but is not currently deployed")] In the past 24 months, how many times has your spouse been away from home for more than 30 consecutive days because of a deployment?

Times

16. [Ask if (Q12 = "Yes, my spouse is currently activated" OR Q12 = "Yes, my spouse has been activated in the past 24 months but is not currently activated") AND (Q13 = "Yes, my spouse is currently deployed" OR Q13 = "Yes, my spouse has been deployed in the past 24 months but is not currently deployed")] Were you employed at any point during your spouse's most recent activation/deployment?

X Yes

17. [Ask if (Q12 = "Yes, my spouse is currently activated" OR Q12 = "Yes, my spouse has been activated in the past 24 months but is not currently activated") AND (Q13 = "Yes, my spouse is currently deployed" OR Q13 = "Yes, my spouse has been deployed in the past 24 months but is not currently deployed") AND Q16 = "Yes"] Because of your spouse's most recent activation/deployment, did you have to... *Mark "Yes" or "No" for each item*.



18. [Ask if (Q12 = "Yes, my spouse is currently activated" OR Q12 = "Yes, my spouse has been activated in the past 24 months but is not currently activated") AND (Q13 = "Yes, my spouse is currently deployed" OR Q13 = "Yes, my spouse has been deployed in the past 24 months but is not currently deployed")] During your spouse's most recent activation/deployment, did you lose money or have any additional expenses because of the following? *Mark one answer for each item*.

		Not applicable				
			No			
		Yes				
a.	Loss of my job		\times	\boxtimes		
b.	Loss of my spouse's health insurance/dental coverage					
C.	Increased phone/cell/internet usage bills due to communicating more with family/friends and/or deployed					
d.	New or increased need for child		\times			
	care		\boxtimes	\boxtimes		
e.	Home/car repairs/maintenance or yard work					
f.	Increased medical expenses					
g.	Other		\times	\boxtimes		

[Ask if (Q12 = "Yes, my spouse is currently activated" OR Q12 = "Yes, my spouse has been activated in the past 24 months but is not currently activated") AND (Q13 = "Yes, my spouse is currently deployed" OR Q13 = "Yes, my spouse has been deployed in the past 24 months but is not currently deployed") AND Q18 g = "Yes"] Please specify the other reason(s) that you have lost money or had additional expenses during your spouse's most recent activation/deployment. Do not include any personally identifiable information (PII) in your comments.

19. [Ask if (Q12 = "Yes, my spouse is currently activated" OR Q12 = "Yes, my spouse has been activated in the past 24 months but is not currently activated") AND (Q13 = "Yes, my spouse is currently deployed" OR Q13 = "Yes, my spouse has been deployed in the past 24 months but is not currently deployed")] Was your spouse's most recent

deployment to a combat zone?

Yes, deployed to Iraq and/or Afghanistan

Yes, deployed to a combat zone other than Iraq or Afghanistan

X No

20. [Ask if (Q12 = "Yes, my spouse is currently activated" OR Q12 = "Yes, my spouse has been activated in the past 24 months but is not currently activated") AND (Q13 = "Yes, my spouse is currently deployed" OR Q13 = "Yes, my spouse has been deployed in the past 24 months but is not currently deployed")] During your spouse's most recent deployment, to what extent were each of the following a problem for you? Mark one answer for each item.

				N	lot at	all
			Sma	ll ext	ent	
	Mod	derat	e ext	ent		
	Larg	e ext	ent			
	Very large ext	ent				
a.	Home/car repairs/maintenance or yard work					
h		\boxtimes	\times		\times	$ \times $
b.	Feelings of anxiety or depression		\boxtimes		X	\boxtimes
C.	Loneliness		\times	\boxtimes	X	\boxtimes
d.	Managing child care/child schedules					∇
e.	Increase in your stress					
f.	Difficulty clooping		X	\boxtimes	X	K
1.	Difficulty sleeping		\times		\times	\times
g.	Maintaining family routines (e.g., meals, sleep, recreation, study time)				\boxtimes	

21. [Ask if (Q12 = "Yes, my spouse is currently activated" OR Q12 = "Yes, my spouse has been activated in the past 24 months but is not currently activated") AND (Q13 = "Yes, my spouse is currently deployed" OR Q13 = "Yes, my spouse has been deployed in the past 24 months but is not currently deployed")] How important are each of the following to you in being able to cope with deployment(s)? Mark one answer for each item.

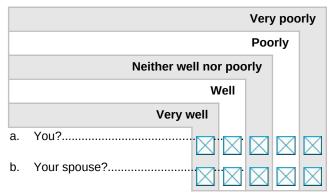
Not important						
	S	omewhat in	nport	ant		
Moderately important						
		Important				
	Very impo	ortant				
a.	My ability to communicate					
	with my spouse			\times	\boxtimes	
b.	Knowing the expected					
	length of the deployment			X	\boxtimes	
c.	Having no changes in the					
	length of deployment			X	\boxtimes	
d.	Pre-deployment					
	information			\times	\boxtimes	
e.	Deployment pay			X		
f.	Temporary reunions with					
	my spouse (R&R time)			X	\boxtimes	

22. [Ask if (Q12 = "Yes, my spouse is currently activated" OR Q12 = "Yes, my spouse has been activated in the past 24 months but is not currently activated") AND (Q13 = "Yes, my spouse is currently deployed" OR Q13 = "Yes, my spouse has been deployed in the past 24 months but is not currently deployed")] Has your spouse returned home from a deployment in the past 24 months?

X Yes

X No

23. [Ask if (Q12 = "Yes, my spouse is currently activated" OR Q12 = "Yes, my spouse has been activated in the past 24 months but is not currently activated") AND (Q13 = "Yes, my spouse is currently deployed" OR Q13 = "Yes, my spouse has been deployed in the past 24 months but is not currently deployed") AND Q22 = "Yes"] Overall, how well do you think your most recent readjustment is going for... *Mark one answer for each item*.



EFFECT OF DEPLOYMENTS ON CHILDREN

24. [Ask if (Q12 = "Yes, my spouse is currently activated" OR Q12 = "Yes, my spouse has been activated in the past 24 months but is not currently activated") AND (Q13 = "Yes, my spouse is currently deployed" OR Q13 = "Yes, my spouse has been deployed in the past 24 months but is not currently deployed")] During your spouse's most recent deployment, did you have any children under the age of 18 living with you either part-time or full-time?

X Yes, one child

X Yes, more than one child

X No

25. [Ask if (Q12 = "Yes, my spouse is currently activated" OR Q12 = "Yes, my spouse has been activated in the past 24 months but is not currently activated") AND (Q13 = "Yes, my spouse is currently deployed" OR Q13 = "Yes, my spouse has been deployed in the past 24 months but is not currently deployed") AND (Q24 = "Yes, one child" OR Q24 = "Yes, more than one child")] During your spouse's most recent deployment, were your children generally able to continue participating in normally scheduled activities (e.g., sports, music lessons, clubs)?

Does not apply

X Yes

X No

[Ask if (Q12 = "Yes, my spouse is currently activated" OR Q12 = "Yes, my spouse has been activated in the past 24 months but is not currently activated") AND (Q13 = "Yes, my spouse is currently deployed" OR Q13 = "Yes, my spouse has been deployed in the past 24 months but is not currently deployed") AND (Q24 = "Yes, one child" OR Q24 = "Yes, more than one child") AND Q25 = "No"] Please specify the reasons why your child has not been able to continue participating in their normally scheduled activities. Do not include any personally identifiable information (PII) in your comments.

ACTIVATION/DEPLOYMENT EXPECTATIONS

26. [Ask if (Q12 = "Yes, my spouse is currently activated" OR Q12 = "Yes, my spouse has been activated in the past 24 months but is not currently activated") AND (Q13= "Yes, my spouse is currently deployed" OR Q13 = "Yes, my spouse has been deployed in the past 24 months but is not currently deployed")] In the past 24 months, has your spouse had... Mark "Yes" or "No" for each item.

			No
		Yes	
a.	The length of an activation/deployment extended?		
			X
b.	The length of an activation/deployment		
	reduced?	\times	\boxtimes
c.	To leave for an activation/deployment sooner than expected?		
	оботог итал охроской		$ \times $
d.	Less time at home between		
	activations/deployments than expected?	X	\boxtimes
e.	An activation/deployment last longer than you expected?		
	you expected:		X

27. Overall, how prepared are you for future deployments?

Very well prepared

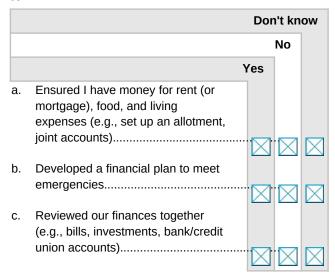
Well prepared

Neither well nor poorly prepared

Noorly prepared

X Very poorly prepared

28. Have you and/or your spouse taken the following steps to prepare for deployments? *Mark one answer for each item.*



FEELINGS ABOUT THE NATIONAL GUARD/RESERVE

29.	Overall, how satisfied are you with t	the
	National Guard/Reserve way of life?	•

- Very satisfied
- Satisfied
- Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied
- Dissatisfied
- Very dissatisfied
- 30. Do you think your spouse should stay or leave the National Guard/Reserve? *Mark one*.
 - I strongly favor staying
 - I somewhat favor staying
 - I have no opinion one way or the other
 - I somewhat favor leaving
 - X I strongly favor leaving

- 31. How has your support for your spouse's decision about staying in the National Guard/Reserve changed in the past year?
 - Greatly increased
 - Somewhat increased
 - X Has not changed
 - Somewhat decreased
 - Greatly decreased
- 32. Which of the following has had the <u>greatest</u> impact on how you view your spouse's participation in the National Guard/Reserve? *Mark one*.
 - Effect on family life
 - Effect on work life (i.e., civilian employment)
 - Time spent on National Guard/Reserve duties/activities
 - Effect on my spouse's outlook on life
 - Image attached to the military
 - Income change
 - Activations/deployments
 - Support programs/resources available to Reserve component members
 - X Other

[Ask if Q32 = "Other"] Please specify what had the <u>greatest</u> impact on how you view your spouse's participation in the National Guard/Reserve. Do not include any personally identifiable information (PII) in your comments.

33.	Compared to what you would expect for an
	average year, has your spouse spent more
	or less time away from home because of
	National Guard/Reserve duties, during the
	past 12 months?

Much more than expected

More than expected

Neither more nor less than expected

t Less than expected

Much less than expected

34. What impact has your spouse's time away (or lack thereof) from home in the <u>past 12</u> months had on your support for your spouse's National Guard/Reserve career?

Greatly increased my support

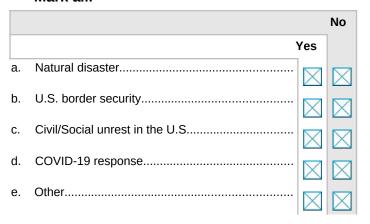
Somewhat increased my support

Neither increased nor decreased my support

Somewhat decreased my support

Greatly decreased my support

35. [Ask if (Q12 = "Yes, my spouse is currently activated" OR Q12 = "Yes, my spouse has been activated in the past 24 months but is not currently activated") AND (Q13 = "Yes, my spouse is currently deployed" OR Q13 = "Yes, my spouse has been deployed in the past 24 months but is not currently deployed"] During the past 24 months, has your spouse deployed on a domestic mission to address any of the following? Mark all.



[Ask if Q35 = "Other"] Please specify what other domestic missions your spouse deployed to in the <u>past 24 months</u>. Do not include any personally identifiable information (PII) in your comments.

36. If your spouse's future military participation requires long or frequent activations/deployments, how likely is it that you will support your spouse staying in the National Guard/Reserve (assuming that he/she can stay)?

Xery likely

X Likely

Neither likely nor unlikely

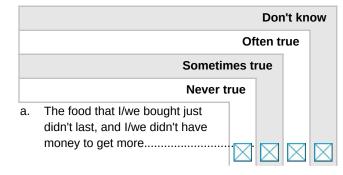
Unlikely

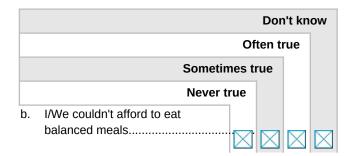
Very unlikely

FOOD SECURITY

These next questions are about the food eaten in your household in the last 12 months, since %%currentmonth%% of last year, and whether you were able to afford the food you need.

37. The following are statements that people have made about their food situation. How often were each of the following statements true for you and your household in the past 12 months—that is, since the last % %currentmonth%%? Mark one answer for each item.





- 38. In the past 12 months, since last % %currentmonth%%, did you or other adults in your household ever cut the size of your meals or skip meals because there was not enough money for food?
 - X Yes
 - X No
 - Don't know
- 39. [Ask if Q38 = "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
- 40. In the past 12 months, did you ever eat less than you felt you should because there was not enough money for food?
 - X Yes
 - X No
 - Don't know
- 41. In the past 12 months, were you ever hungry but did not eat because there was not enough money for food?
 - X Yes
 - X No
 - Don't know

- 42. Are you currently receiving support from any of the following nutrition assistance resources? *Mark all that apply*.
 - SNAP (Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program/ Food Stamps)
 - Women Infant and Children program (WIC)
 - National School Lunch Program (children receive free or reduced meals at school)
 - Some other assistance resource
 - No, I am not using any nutrition assistant resource

WELL-BEING

- 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. Over the <u>last two weeks</u>, how often have you been bothered by any of the following problems? *Mark one answer for each item*

		Nea	ly ev	ery c	lay
	More than half the days				
	Several days				
	Not at	all			
a.	Little interest or pleasure in doing things			\times	
b.	Feeling down, depressed, or hopeless			\times	
C.	Feeling nervous, anxious, or on edge			\boxtimes	
d.	Not being able to stop or control worrying			\times	

45. Compared to <u>12 months ago</u>, how often do you and your spouse have problems in your personal relationship?

Much more often

More often

About the same

X Less often

Much less often

46. Taking things altogether, how satisfied are you with your marriage right now?

Very satisfied

X Satisfied

Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied

Dissatisfied

X Very dissatisfied

FINANCIAL CONDITION

47. Which of the following best describes the financial condition of you and your spouse?

Very comfortable and secure

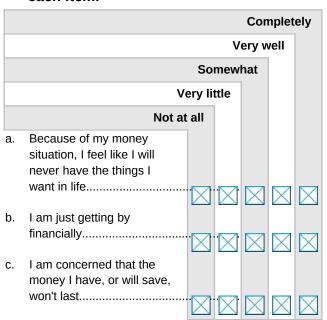
Able to make ends meet without much difficulty

Occasionally have some difficulty making ends meet

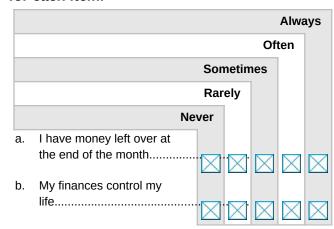
Tough to make ends meet but keeping your head above water

In over your head

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



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



EMPLOYMENT

50. Are <u>you</u> currently serving in the military? *Mark one*.

Yes, on active duty (not a member of the National Guard/Reserve)

Yes, as a member of the National Guard or Reserve in a full-time active duty program (AGR/FTS/AR)

Yes, as a traditional National Guard/Reserve member (e.g., drilling unit, IMA, IRR)

No.

51. [Ask if Q50 = "No" or Q50 = "Yes, as a traditional National Guard/Reserve member (e.g., drilling unit, IMA, IRR)" or Q50 = Not answered] Last week, did you do any work for pay or profit? Mark "Yes" even if you worked only one hour, or helped without pay in a family business or farm for 15 hours or more.

X Yes

X No

52. [Ask if (Q50 = "No" or Q50 = "Yes, as a traditional National Guard/Reserve member (e.g., drilling unit, IMA, IRR)" or Q50 = Not answered) AND Q51="No"] Last week, were you temporarily absent from a job or business?

Yes, on vacation, temporary illness, labor dispute, etc.

X No

53. [Ask if (Q50 = "No" or Q50 = "Yes, as a traditional National Guard/Reserve member (e.g., drilling unit, IMA, IRR)" or Q50 = Not answered) AND Q51= "No" AND Q52 = "No"] Have you been looking for work during the last four weeks?

X Yes

X No

54. [Ask if (Q50 = "No" OR Q50 = "Yes, as a traditional National Guard/Reserve member

(e.g., drilling unit, IMA, IRR)" OR Q50 = Not answered) AND (Q51 = "Yes" OR (Q51 = "No"

AND Q52= "Yes, on vacation, temporary illness, labor dispute, etc."))] On average, how many hours a week do you spend working for pay (including hours worked for a family business or farm)?

Hours

55. [Ask if (Q50 = "No" or Q50 = "Yes, as a traditional National Guard/Reserve member (e.g., drilling unit, IMA, IRR)" or Q50 = Not answered AND (Q51= "No" AND Q52 = "Yes, on vacation, temporary illness, labor dispute, etc.")) AND (Q54 < 35 and Q54>1)]

What is your <u>main</u> reason for working parttime (i.e., fewer than 35 hours a week) instead of full-time? *Mark one.*

Business is slow

Could only find part-time work

Seasonal work

Want to spend time with children

Child care problems

Other family/personal obligations

X Health/medical limitations

Do not have required license or credential in my occupational field

I do not want to work full-time

I am self-employed

I am a caregiver to my spouse (e.g., wounded warrior)

I am a caregiver to a family member other than my spouse

I am attending school or training

X Other

56. [Ask if (Q50 = "No" OR Q50 = "Yes, as a traditional National Guard/Reserve member

(e.g., drilling unit, IMA, IRR)" OR Q50 = Not answered) AND (Q51 = "Yes" OR (Q51 = "No"

AND Q52= "Yes, on vacation, temporary illness, labor dispute, etc."))] Please indicate how much you agree or disagree with the following statements. *Mark one answer for each item.*

		Stron	gly c	lisag	ree
		С	isag	ree	
	Neither agree nor	disag	ree		
	A	gree			
	Strongly agree				
a.	I am paid less than those with similar credentials			\times	
b.	Given my credentials, I should have a higher position at work	1-1			
C.	I need to find a job that allows me to work more hours				
d.	I work in temporary positions, but I would			\times	
	prefer not to		\boxtimes	X	\boxtimes
e.	I had to take a job outside of my field		\boxtimes	\times	\boxtimes
f.	My pay is not enough to live on			\times	

HEALTH RELATED QUALITY OF LIFE MEASURE (HRQOL)

57. Would you say that in general your health

is Mark one.	
Excellent?	
Very good?	
Good?	
X Fair?	
Poor?	
	sical illness and injury, ing the past 30 days
during the past 30 d	•
	Days
many days did poor health keep you fron activities, such as s	m doing your usual
СОМИ	MENTS
61. Please share what the improve support for Do not provide any	<u>-</u>

tl D	Please describe the top issue(s) impacting the quality of life for you and your family. To not provide any personally identifiable information.
militar distres up pur Militar calling	nents you make on this questionnaire will help improve y programs. If you answer any items and indicate ss, being upset, etc., you will not be contacted for follow-roses. For resources and information, you may contact y OneSource at www.MilitaryOneSource.mil or by 1-800-342-9647. If overseas, call 800-342-9647 (Dial ry access code; do not dial "1").
i i i i i i	[Ask if Q1 = "Widowed" OR Q1 = "Divorced" OR Q2 = "No"] Based on your answers to the previous questions, you are ineligible to take this survey. If you feel you have encountered this message in error, click the back arrow button and check your answers. If you have any additional comments or concerns, please enter them below. Do not include any personally identifiable information (PII) in your comments. To submit your answers click <i>Submit</i> . For further help, please call our Survey Processing Center toll-free at 1-800-881-5307, e-mail RCS-Survey@mail.mil, or send a fax to 1-763-268-3002.

