

Recent Graduates Employment and Earnings Survey

The purpose of the Recent Graduates Employment and Earnings Survey is to collect information about the average earnings of graduates from programs whose students receive federal financial aid and which are subject to regulations on gainful employment.

*The information you provide on this survey will be grouped with information from other graduates of your program. Average earnings for all graduates of the program will be calculated and reported to the U.S. Department of Education. Your individual earnings will **never** be reported, disclosed, or used in any other manner.*

1. **Please verify that you are <First-Name Last-Name>. Is this correct?** If you have legally changed your name but once went by <First-Name Last-Name>, please answer Yes below.
 - No → Continue with question 2.
 - Yes → Skip to question 3.
2. **Have you ever gone by <First-Name Last-Name>?** If you have legally changed your name but once went by <First-Name Last-Name>, please answer Yes below.
 - No → Thank you. Please return the survey so that we can remove you from our list and you are not contacted again.
 - Yes

The next few questions are about employment earnings **during the <earnings year> calendar year.**

This survey asks about wages and self-employment income separately. In some cases, it may not be clear to you where earnings you received should be reported. Please just use your best judgment about this, but please **do NOT report the same earnings more than once.** Remember to include earnings **from ALL jobs, even if they are not related to your degree or certificate.** Please do NOT include sources of income other than employment, such as alimony, child support, social security, disability, or unemployment compensation.

3. **Did you receive any wages, salary, tips, overtime pay, bonuses, or commissions from an employer in <earnings year>?**
 - No → Skip to question 4.
 - Yes → **3a.** Think about **the job you held the longest** during <earnings year>. **In total**, how much did you earn **from that employer**, before taxes and other deductions, in **<earnings year>**?

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3b. Now think about **all OTHER jobs** you held during <earnings year>. **In total**, how much did you receive **from all other employers**, before taxes and other deductions, in **<earnings year>**? If you had no additional jobs, please enter a zero.

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4. **Excluding any income mentioned above, did you receive any self-employment income, including income from your own business, in <earnings year>?**

No → *Skip to question 5.*

Yes → **4a.** What was the amount you received in net self-employment income in <earnings year>? Please report income minus expenses. If this amount is negative, please enter zero.

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5. People sometimes earn extra money doing work outside of their regular jobs, such as freelancing, consulting, moonlighting, or doing other casual jobs. **In <earnings year>, did you earn any other money from work you did that you have not already reported on this survey?**

No → *Thank you. Please return the survey.*

Yes → **5a.** What was the amount of your additional earnings from work in <earnings year> that are not already reported above?

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Thank you for your participation.

Please return the survey.