



## Strada Public Viewpoint: COVID-19 Work and Education Survey

**Interview Dates:** July 22 – 23, 2020

**Audience:** National online survey of Americans ages 18 and above. Quotas based on the U.S. Census were used to ensure results that are nationally representative by age, gender, race/ethnicity, and region. Sample size n=1,020

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### 1. How long do you think the impact of coronavirus will be to you personally?

a. 1-3 months	12%
b. 4-6 months	20%
c. 7-12 months	26%
d. More than 1 year	41%

### 2. How worried are you that you may lose your job as a result of the coronavirus (COVID-19) events, or are you not at all worried?

a. Extremely worried	14%
b. Very worried	13%
c. Somewhat worried	27%
d. Not very worried	20%
e. Not at all worried	25%

*\*Base: Individuals who were employed full-time or part-time or self-employed, n=619.*

### 3. Would you say the outbreak of COVID-19 is bringing our communities and people closer together or driving us further apart?

a. Bringing us much closer	9%
b. Bringing us a little closer	19%
c. Not making a difference	26%
d. Driving us a little further apart	26%
e. Driving us a lot further apart	23%
f. Not sure	8%

4. Do you agree or disagree with the following statement?

*Pursuing more education or training will help me get a good job.*

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| a. Strongly agree             | 15% |
| b. Agree                      | 30% |
| c. Neither agree nor disagree | 33% |
| d. Disagree                   | 14% |
| e. Strongly disagree          | 8%  |

*Getting more education or training would be worth the cost.*

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| a. Strongly agree             | 12% |
| b. Agree                      | 28% |
| c. Neither agree nor disagree | 34% |
| d. Disagree                   | 15% |
| e. Strongly disagree          | 11% |

*I can access the education or training I want.*

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| a. Strongly agree             | 12% |
| b. Agree                      | 32% |
| c. Neither agree nor disagree | 34% |
| d. Disagree                   | 15% |
| e. Strongly disagree          | 7%  |

*Colleges and universities will be able to complete their fall 2020 courses without interruption or needing to shut down and evacuate campuses.*

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| a. Strongly agree             | 9%  |
| b. Agree                      | 17% |
| c. Neither agree nor disagree | 37% |
| d. Disagree                   | 22% |
| e. Strongly disagree          | 15% |

*\*Base: Individuals who were in the workforce (employed full-time or part-time, self-employed, or unemployed looking for work) ages 18-65, n=646.*

5. **How likely do you think it is that your state will see a spike in coronavirus cases that leads to a second shelter-in-place or stay-at-home order?**

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| a. Not at all likely    | 7%  |
| b. Just a little likely | 22% |
| c. Somewhat likely      | 31% |
| d. Very likely          | 22% |
| e. Extremely likely     | 18% |

6. **Should people be allowed to attend college classes in person?**

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| a. People should be allowed to decide for themselves if they feel it is safe enough for them to attend or participate in these activities and take on the risk of getting sick. | 50% |
| b. This activity should be forbidden until the coronavirus outbreak is under control to help prevent the spread of the virus.   | 50% |

7. **How has the coronavirus (COVID-19) crisis affected your interest in enrolling in an education or training program? Would you say you are:**

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| a. Much more likely to enroll     | 9%  |
| b. Somewhat more likely to enroll | 8%  |
| c. No change                      | 59% |
| d. Somewhat less likely to enroll | 15% |
| e. Much less likely to enroll     | 10% |

*\*Base: Individuals ages 18-65, n=822.*

8. **This fall, college campuses should:**

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| a. Allow all students to return for in-person classes                            | 18% |
| b. Allow some students to return and offer a mix of in-person and online classes | 44% |
| c. Offer only online classes   | 37% |

9. **Thinking about the education and training that will be provided by colleges and universities this fall 2020 semester compared to fall 2019, how would you rate the value of fall 2020?**

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| a. Fall 2020 education will provide much greater value     | 6%  |
| b. Fall 2020 education will provide somewhat greater value | 6%  |
| c. Fall 2020 education will provide the same value         | 39% |
| d. Fall 2020 education will provide somewhat less value    | 29% |
| e. Fall 2020 education will provide much less value        | 21% |