

Strada Public Viewpoint: COVID-19 Work and Education Survey

Interview Dates: May 6-June 25, 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. Data are also weighted to be nationally representative by education level.

1. Thinking about the future, please indicate if and when you are likely to enroll in courses or training offered through the following: (n=6,046.)

Four-year college or university

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| a. Within 1 month | 2% |
| b. Within 3 months | 2% |
| c. Within 6 months | 2% |
| d. Within 1 year | 4% |
| e. Within 2 years | 4% |
| f. Within 5 years | 5% |
| g. Currently enrolled | 6% |
| h. Will not enroll | 75% |

Community college

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| a. Within 1 month | 1% |
| b. Within 3 months | 2% |
| c. Within 6 months | 3% |
| d. Within 1 year | 5% |
| e. Within 2 years | 4% |
| f. Within 5 years | 5% |
| g. Currently enrolled | 5% |
| h. Will not enroll | 74% |

Trade schools/programs

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| a. Within 1 month | 1% |
| b. Within 3 months | 2% |
| c. Within 6 months | 4% |
| d. Within 1 year | 5% |
| e. Within 2 years | 4% |
| f. Within 5 years | 6% |
| g. Currently enrolled | 3% |
| h. Will not enroll | 75% |

Employer

- a. Within 1 month 3%
- b. Within 3 months 4%
- c. Within 6 months 4%
- d. Within 1 year 6%
- e. Within 2 years 5%
- f. Within 5 years 6%
- g. Currently enrolled 6%
- h. Will not enroll 67%

Online-only community colleges, colleges or universities

- a. Within 1 month 2%
- b. Within 3 months 2%
- c. Within 6 months 4%
- d. Within 1 year 6%
- e. Within 2 years 5%
- f. Within 5 years 6%
- g. Currently enrolled 4%
- h. Will not enroll 70%

Other online nonacademic courses, trainings, or certifications

- a. Within 1 month 2%
- b. Within 3 months 3%
- c. Within 6 months 5%
- d. Within 1 year 6%
- e. Within 2 years 5%
- f. Within 5 years 6%
- g. Currently enrolled 5%
- h. Will not enroll 68%

Apprenticeship or internship with a local employer

- a. Within 1 month 2%
- b. Within 3 months 3%
- c. Within 6 months 4%
- d. Within 1 year 5%
- e. Within 2 years 4%
- f. Within 5 years 6%
- g. Currently enrolled 4%
- h. Will not enroll 73%

2. **How challenging would each of the following be for you, personally, in pursuing education or training?** (n=4,035)

The cost of tuition, books, and other expenses

a. Extremely challenging	25%
b. Very challenging	20%
c. Somewhat challenging	22%
d. Not very challenging	11%
e. Not at all challenging	22%

Fear that I've been out of school for too long

a. Extremely challenging	20%
b. Very challenging	18%
c. Somewhat challenging	23%
d. Not very challenging	12%
e. Not at all challenging	27%

Fear that I won't be able to succeed

a. Extremely challenging	16%
b. Very challenging	16%
c. Somewhat challenging	23%
d. Not very challenging	15%
e. Not at all challenging	30%

Schedules and times when courses are available

a. Extremely challenging	14%
b. Very challenging	17%
c. Somewhat challenging	26%
d. Not very challenging	15%
e. Not at all challenging	27%

Balancing school and work

a. Extremely challenging	15%
b. Very challenging	16%
c. Somewhat challenging	22%
d. Not very challenging	13%
e. Not at all challenging	33%

Time away from work/earning less money

a. Extremely challenging	17%
b. Very challenging	17%
c. Somewhat challenging	22%
d. Not very challenging	13%
e. Not at all challenging	31%

Balancing school and childcare

a. Extremely challenging	11%
b. Very challenging	12%
c. Somewhat challenging	16%
d. Not very challenging	10%
e. Not at all challenging	51%

Uncertainty about what education path to pursue

a. Extremely challenging	16%
b. Very challenging	17%
c. Somewhat challenging	26%
d. Not very challenging	13%
e. Not at all challenging	28%

Loss of time with family/friends

a. Extremely challenging	14%
b. Very challenging	17%
c. Somewhat challenging	24%
d. Not very challenging	17%
e. Not at all challenging	28%

Transportation

a. Extremely challenging	12%
b. Very challenging	13%
c. Somewhat challenging	19%
d. Not very challenging	18%
e. Not at all challenging	39%

Personal health concerns

a. Extremely challenging	15%
b. Very challenging	16%
c. Somewhat challenging	24%
d. Not very challenging	17%
e. Not at all challenging	28%

Reliable access to internet

a. Extremely challenging	10%
b. Very challenging	12%
c. Somewhat challenging	17%
d. Not very challenging	20%
e. Not at all challenging	42%

Reliable access to a computer

a. Extremely challenging	11%
b. Very challenging	10%
c. Somewhat challenging	17%
d. Not very challenging	19%
e. Not at all challenging	43%