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Methodology

Project Objective

researchiQ's objective was to conduct primary and secondary research to assist the United Ways of Iowa in assessing the statewide impact of COVID-19 on the ALICE (Asset-Limited Income-Constrained Employed) population in Iowa to inform how to best support Iowa ALICE families throughout long-term recovery and beyond.

Project Design

researchiQ worked with the United Ways of Iowa to develop and finalize the content of the survey instrument and program the survey for online deployment, intending to keep the duration of the online survey to a maximum of 12-15 minutes. In addition, **researchiQ** was responsible for developing an accompanying cover letter that explained survey content and participation information as well as a print survey version. The United Ways of Iowa had final approval authority for survey content and thoroughly tested the online instrument and approved the print survey version before the recruitment process began.

researchiQ and United Ways of Iowa worked with the regional United Way organizations to promote/distribute the survey. Specifically, **researchiQ** developed a basic project communication piece that described the research effort and provided participation information for the online survey. This communication was used and customized by partnering organizations when marketing and distributing the survey link to their constituents and other local agencies. **researchiQ** also distributed this communication piece to economic development community partners across the state to assist in distribution, especially in the NW area of the state where United Way regional coverage is limited. **researchiQ** also placed Facebook/Instagram ads targeting geographic areas with lower numbers of respondents. Lastly, **researchiQ** authored a press release about the research that was sent to local newspapers and radio/television stations across the state.

researchiQ and United Ways of Iowa also provided a printed version of the survey in a postage paid return envelope to regional United Way organizations as requested. A total of 54 surveys were returned using the printed instrument. The online survey was also translated into Spanish with nine respondents utilizing this option.

The online survey was launched on September 28, 2020 and closed on November 2, 2020. A total of 2,913 surveys were completed online and 54 using the printed survey, for a grand total of 2,967 completed/valid surveys were utilized for analysis and reporting. A total of 364 of these participants were located in Story County, Iowa and are included in this breakout report with an income breakout for each question by the following categories:

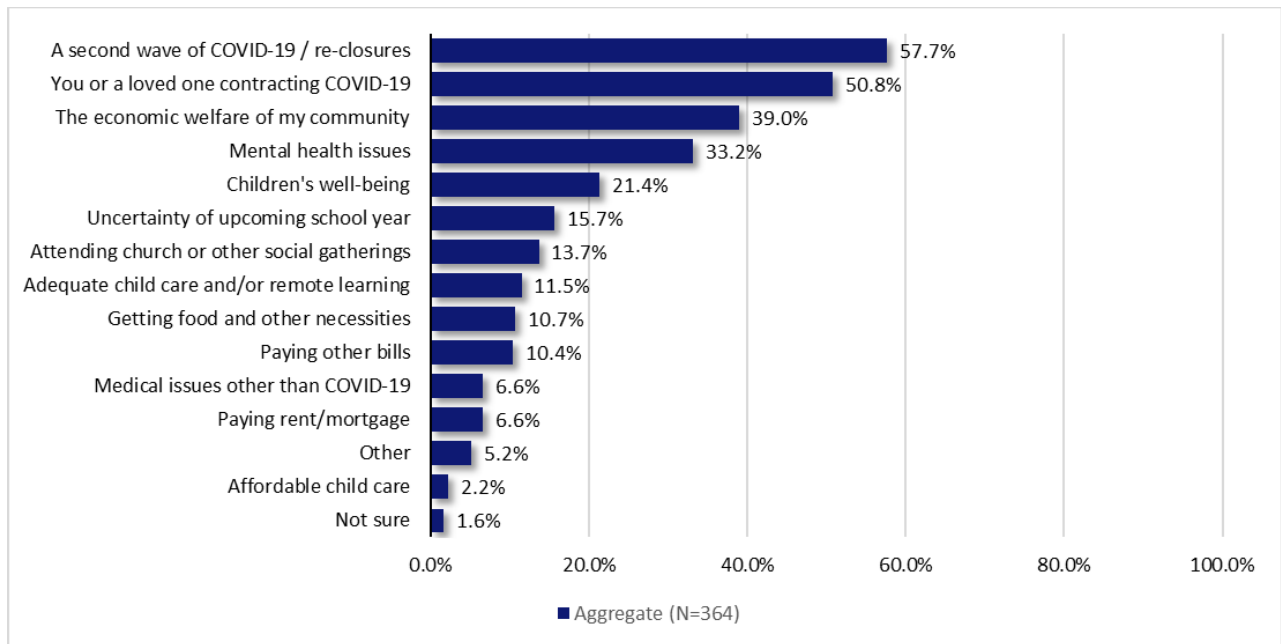
- Below Federal Poverty Level (FLP) | Less than \$25k
- ALICE Population (ALICE) | \$25K to \$49.9k
- Sufficient Survival Income Household (Sufficient) | \$50K to \$74.9k
- Stable Income Households (Stable) | \$75K to \$99.9k
- Very Stable Income Households (Very Stable) | \$100k or more

Survey Results

COVID-19 Pandemic Concerns

What are your top 3 concerns about the upcoming weeks/months?

Over half of the respondents reported a second wave of COVID-19 / re-closures was a top concern of theirs in the upcoming weeks/months following the survey (57.7%). 50.8% of respondents said themselves or a loved one contracting COVID-19 was also a top concern of theirs, followed by the economic welfare of their community (39.0%) and mental health issues (33.2%).



Income Breakout:

	Aggregate (N=364)	Below FLP (N=34)	ALICE (N=51)	Sufficient (N=59)	Stable (N=69)	Very Stable (N=128)
A second wave of COVID-19 / re-closures	57.7%	38.2%	54.9%	64.4%	62.3%	57.0%
You or a loved one contracting COVID-19	50.8%	26.5%	52.9%	50.8%	53.6%	53.9%
The economic welfare of my community	39.0%	14.7%	27.5%	33.9%	49.3%	49.2%
Mental health issues	33.2%	38.2%	39.2%	35.6%	33.3%	28.1%
Children's well-being	21.4%	11.8%	11.8%	22.0%	23.2%	26.6%
Uncertainty of upcoming school year	15.7%	2.9%	7.8%	18.6%	17.4%	21.9%
Attending church or other social gatherings	13.7%	17.6%	9.8%	8.5%	18.8%	12.5%
Adequate child care and/or remote learning	11.5%	5.9%	11.8%	11.9%	8.7%	14.8%
Getting food and other necessities	10.7%	29.4%	17.6%	11.9%	5.8%	5.5%
Paying other bills	10.4%	41.2%	15.7%	16.9%	7.2%	0.0%
Medical issues other than COVID-19	6.6%	2.9%	3.9%	3.4%	2.9%	3.9%
Paying rent/mortgage	6.6%	38.2%	15.7%	1.7%	2.9%	0.0%
Other	5.2%	8.8%	5.9%	1.7%	4.3%	5.5%
Affordable child care	2.2%	2.9%	2.0%	0.0%	2.9%	3.1%
Not sure	1.6%	5.9%	2.0%	0.0%	0.0%	1.6%

Other responses reported by respondents included:



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- Civil unrest due to election
- Conflicting information and instructions about covid-19 from government vs. Medical professionals, making the impact of the pandemic worse.
- Elderly people in isolation & depression
- Employee safety
- Getting students back to school full time
- I am worried about school closing and being a working parent and having to homeschool and work full time. My child will not get the education deserved
- I'm concerned the government may again shut down schools, businesses, events. I'll wear a mask, but want to be able to have a life.
- Immigrants, refugees, and other low wage workers
- Impact on general economy.
- Inability to visit partner and family
- Lack of social activities
- Losing job due to downsizing from covid
- Losing job.
- Loss of investments due to stock market reactions to the pandemic.
- More concerned with the control & mandates, restricting our choices to live free & trust in our body's own immune system rather than man-made chemicals, it is not the governments job to prevent, nor is it possible, to prevent all illnesses
- My daughter's industry is not reopening until January 2021 for sure and more likely sometime later in spring 2021.
- National leadership not being truthful about the pandemic at any level!
- None of these.
- Not being able to get into a hospital if needed, if a second wave hits.
- Not concerned
- Not one to fret, roll with what happens
- People living like there's no pandemic, contributing to escalating case counts
- The business we own being affected
- The erosion of our economic and civil liberties.
- The harm caused by government overreaction to the actual danger of the virus combined with blanket rules that disregard the actual risk to different demographics
- Uncertainty in general
- Upcoming election?
- We are prolonging the length of covid by using masks. We need to protect the at risk population and allow life to continue before all local small businesses are forced to close for good!
- Winter is coming, and I won't be able to get together with friends outside/social isolation



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The provided concern options can be categorized into four general themes: Health issues, Household/financial issues, Children/Family issues, and General social/community issues.

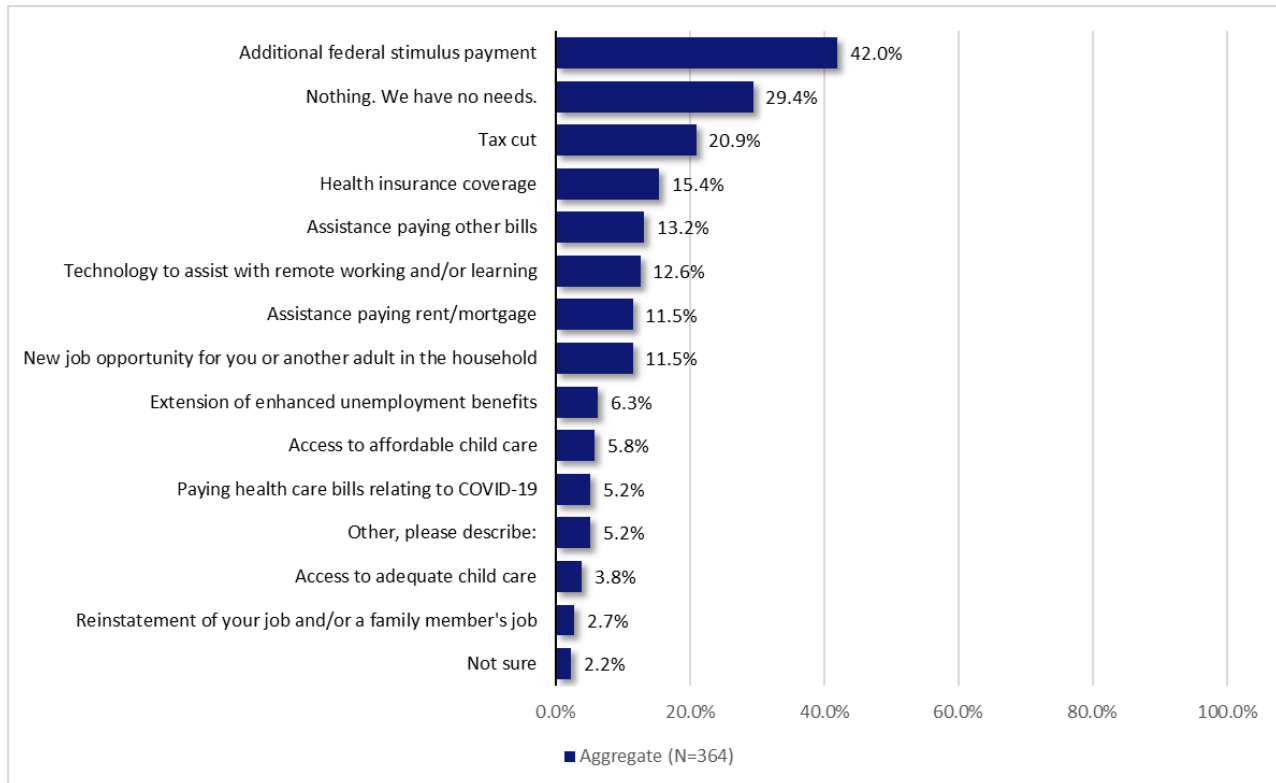
- **Health related** concerns include contracting COVID-19 (50.8%), mental health issues (33.2%), and medical issues other than COVID-19 (6.6%).
- **General social/community** concerns included a second wave of COVID-10/re-closures (57.7%), the economic welfare of their community (39.0%), and attending church and other social gatherings (13.7%).
- **Child-related** concerns included children’s well-being (21.4%), uncertainty of upcoming school year (15.7%), adequate childcare and/or remote learning (11.5%) and affordable childcare (2.2%).
- **Household financial related** concerns included paying other bills (10.4%), getting food and other necessities (10.7%), and paying rent/mortgage (6.6%).



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Which of the following would make the most important difference to your household’s finances at this time?

42.0% of respondents reported an additional federal stimulus payment would make the most important difference to their household’s finances, followed by a tax cut (20.9%), health insurance coverage (15.4%), and assistance paying other bills (13.2%). Almost 30 percent of respondents said they have no needs and nothing would make a difference at this time (29.4%).



Income Breakout:

	Aggregate (N=364)	Below FLP (N=34)	ALICE (N=51)	Sufficient (N=59)	Stable (N=69)	Very Stable (N=128)
Additional federal stimulus payment	42.0%	73.5%	66.7%	54.2%	37.7%	21.9%
Nothing. We have no needs.	29.4%	2.9%	9.8%	23.7%	34.8%	44.5%
Tax cut	20.9%	14.7%	23.5%	18.6%	27.5%	19.5%
Health insurance coverage	15.4%	20.6%	13.7%	28.8%	10.1%	10.2%
Assistance paying other bills	13.2%	55.9%	23.5%	11.9%	8.7%	0.8%
Technology to assist with remote working and/or learning	12.6%	11.8%	19.6%	11.9%	10.1%	12.5%
Assistance paying rent/mortgage	11.5%	38.2%	19.6%	13.6%	8.7%	1.6%
New job opportunity for you or another adult in the household	11.5%	23.5%	13.7%	10.2%	17.4%	3.9%
Extension of enhanced unemployment benefits	6.3%	5.9%	11.8%	6.8%	5.8%	1.6%
Access to affordable child care	5.8%	5.9%	1.7%	8.7%	5.5%	5.6%
Paying health care bills relating to COVID-19	5.2%	8.8%	3.9%	11.9%	4.3%	0.8%
Other, please describe:	5.2%	2.9%	5.9%	5.1%	2.9%	5.5%
Access to adequate child care	3.8%	3.9%	3.4%	2.9%	3.9%	3.5%
Reinstatement of your job and/or a family member's job	2.7%	2.9%	0.0%	6.8%	2.9%	1.6%
Not sure	2.2%	0.0%	2.0%	0.0%	2.9%	2.3%

Other responses reported by respondents included:



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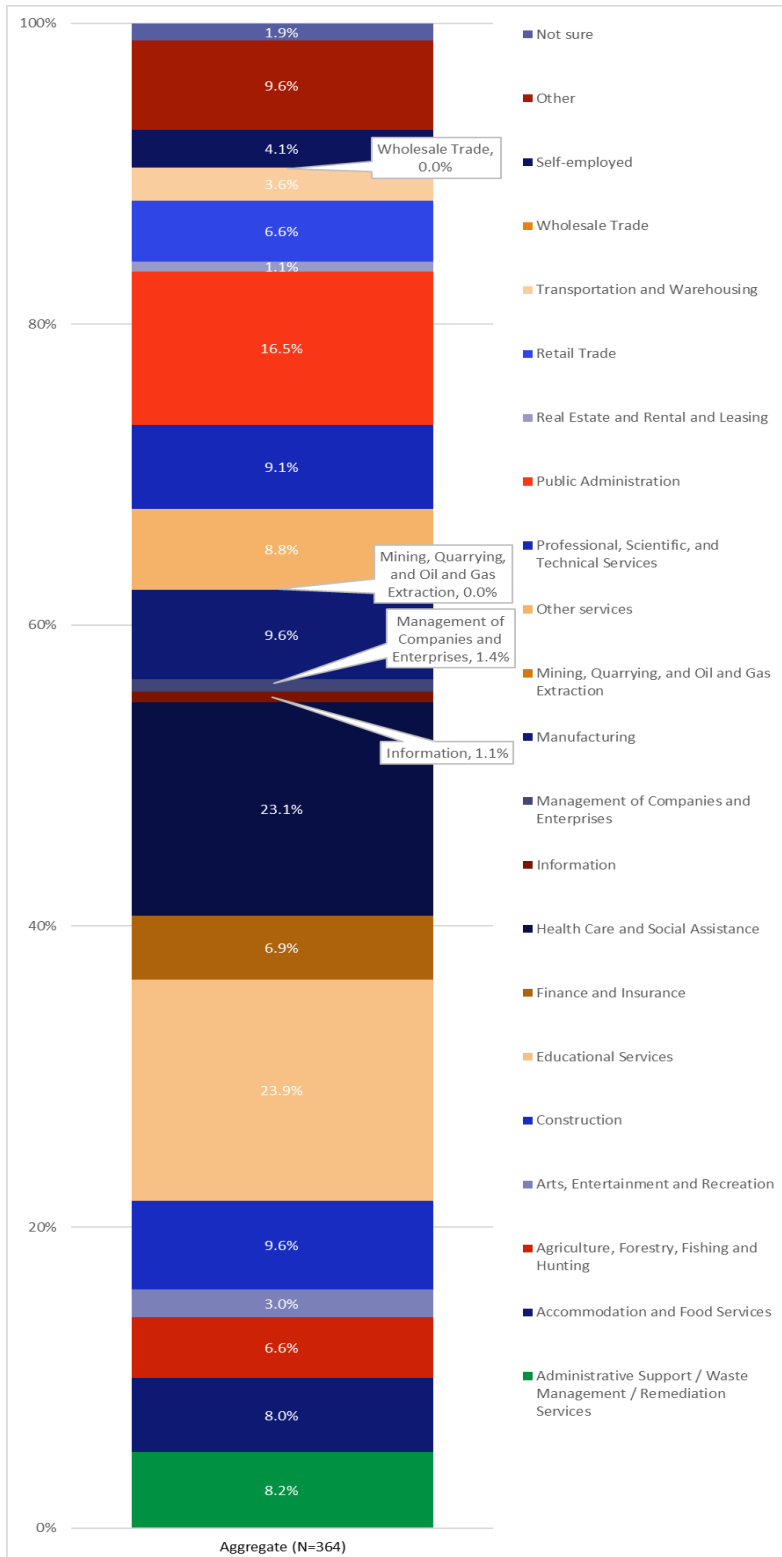
- Affordable and accessible medications.
- Being able to file unemployment for self-employment LLC.
- Closing of bars in community to stop spread
- Faster internet
- Help on paying for derecho damage
- Helping financially with an elderly parent who is living on her own.
- I make too much to afford assistance but still struggle to get things paid
- If the virus stops, I will be able to resume my work in people's homes
- Kids attending school in person
- Lift restrictions so life gets back to normal
- Mental health services
- Mental health services
- More in food stamps
- Opening up businesses/getting economy back
- Reinstatement of full salary that was cut due to COVID 19
- Reinstatement of full wages; we had a 5% reduction in salary for one spouse
- Stability in community
- Value of invested retirement funds
- We are fortunate to still have two incomes. But, that is not the case for many of our neighbors. Assistance paying basics (rent/utility/food/phone) continues to be much needed.
- We've managed but worry for others in community



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Household Income & Employment

Which one of the following industries did members of your household work in prior to March 16?



The top industries in which respondents and other household members were employed were Educational Services (23.9%), Health Care and Social Assistance (23.1%), and Public Administration (16.5%). 9.6% of respondents reported they worked in other industries, and 4.1% were self-employed.



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	Aggregate (N=364)	Below FLP (N=34)	ALICE (N=51)	Sufficient (N=59)	Stable (N=69)	Very Stable (N=128)
Administrative Support / Waste Management / Remediation Services	8.2%	11.8%	5.9%	6.8%	10.1%	9.4%
Accommodation and Food Services	8.0%	11.8%	11.8%	6.8%	10.1%	4.7%
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting	6.6%	8.8%	5.9%	3.4%	10.1%	5.5%
Arts, Entertainment and Recreation	3.0%	5.9%	2.0%	3.4%	2.9%	3.1%
Construction	9.6%	8.8%	3.9%	8.5%	14.5%	8.6%
Educational Services	23.9%	8.8%	19.6%	25.4%	26.1%	26.6%
Finance and Insurance	6.9%	5.9%	2.0%	3.4%	2.9%	13.3%
Health Care and Social Assistance	23.1%	20.6%	27.5%	27.1%	21.7%	21.9%
Information	1.1%	0.0%	0.0%	3.4%	0.0%	0.8%
Management of Companies and Enterprises	1.4%	0.0%	2.0%	0.0%	0.0%	3.1%
Manufacturing	9.6%	2.9%	9.8%	15.3%	10.1%	10.2%
Mining, Quarrying, and Oil and Gas Extraction	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Other services	8.8%	5.9%	5.9%	13.6%	10.1%	5.5%
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	9.1%	8.8%	0.0%	3.4%	4.3%	17.2%
Public Administration	16.5%	8.8%	5.9%	15.3%	18.8%	22.7%
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	1.1%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	2.9%	1.6%
Retail Trade	6.6%	8.8%	9.8%	6.8%	7.2%	3.1%
Transportation and Warehousing	3.6%	2.9%	3.9%	1.7%	7.2%	3.1%
Wholesale Trade	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Self-employed	4.1%	8.8%	3.9%	6.8%	4.3%	2.3%
Other	9.6%	23.5%	5.9%	10.2%	7.2%	8.6%
Not sure	1.9%	8.8%	2.0%	0.0%	1.4%	0.8%

The reported self-employment descriptions included:

- Child care provider (3)
- Construction (2)
- Farmer (2)
- Chiropractor
- Assisting seniors with downsizing/moving
- Automotive
- Direct Sale Consultant
- Lawyer
- Math Tutor, Diving Coach
- Pet sitting
- Uber/Lyft

The reported Other employment descriptions included:

- Retired (16)
- Disability (3)
- Nonprofit (3)
- Advertising
- Biodiesel
- Community corrections
- Disability (3)
- Doorman



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- Journeyman - gas
- Local Government
- None
- Printing
- Probation
- Religious Organization
- Social security, IPERS
- Student
- Travel & meeting industry
- Trucking
- Unemployed for two months
- Volunteering a Nami CI



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What were the primary source(s) of income to meet your household expenses both before and since March 16?

	Before COVID-19 (N=364)	After COVID-19 (N=364)
Public Assistance	2.7%	4.1%
Salary paid job for 35 hours/week or more	76.1%	72.3%
Salary paid job for less than 35 hours/week	9.6%	10.7%
Self-employed, contract/project or hourly paid job working less than 35 hours/week	5.5%	3.6%
Self-employed, contract/project , or hourly paid job working 35 hours/week or more	10.4%	10.4%
Social security	13.2%	13.7%
Unemployment checks	1.1%	7.7%
Other, please describe:	7.4%	7.4%
Prefer not to answer	0.3%	0.3%

More households relied on public assistance (2.7% to 4.1%), salary paid job for less than 35 hours/week (9.6% to 10.7%), social security (13.2% to 13.7%), and unemployment checks (1.1% to 7.7%) after the COVID-19 pandemic began compared to before COVID-19.

Income Breakout (Before COVID-19):

	Before COVID-19 (N=364)	Below FLP (N=34)	ALICE (N=51)	Sufficient (N=59)	Stable (N=69)	Very Stable (N=128)
Public Assistance	2.7%	14.7%	3.9%	3.4%	0.0%	0.0%
Salary paid job for 35 hours/week or more	76.1%	32.4%	68.6%	71.2%	84.1%	89.8%
Salary paid job for less than 35 hours/week	9.6%	17.6%	13.7%	11.9%	4.3%	6.3%
Self-employed, contract/project or hourly paid job working less than 35 hours/week	5.5%	8.8%	15.7%	8.5%	1.4%	2.3%
Self-employed, contract/project , or hourly paid job working 35 hours/week or more	10.4%	5.9%	11.8%	13.6%	14.5%	8.6%
Social security	13.2%	41.2%	13.7%	15.3%	13.0%	5.5%
Unemployment checks	1.1%	2.9%	0.0%	1.7%	1.4%	0.8%
Other, please describe:	7.4%	5.9%	5.9%	5.1%	10.1%	5.5%
Prefer not to answer	0.3%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%



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Income Breakout (After COVID-19):

	After COVID-19 (N=364)	Below FLP (N=34)	ALICE (N=51)	Sufficient (N=59)	Stable (N=69)	Very Stable (N=128)
Public Assistance	4.1%	17.6%	5.9%	5.1%	0.0%	0.0%
Salary paid job for 35 hours/week or more	72.3%	26.5%	62.7%	67.8%	76.8%	88.3%
Salary paid job for less than 35 hours/week	10.7%	26.5%	15.7%	8.5%	7.2%	7.0%
Self-employed, contract/project or hourly paid job working less than 35 hours/week	3.6%	5.9%	3.9%	8.5%	2.9%	1.6%
Self-employed, contract/project , or hourly paid job working 35 hours/week or more	10.4%	2.9%	13.7%	11.9%	13.0%	10.2%
Social security	13.7%	44.1%	11.8%	15.3%	14.5%	6.3%
Unemployment checks	7.7%	8.8%	15.7%	11.9%	7.2%	1.6%
Other, please describe:	7.4%	2.9%	7.8%	5.1%	10.1%	5.5%
Prefer not to answer	0.3%	2.9%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%

The Other primary sources of income to meet household expenses included:

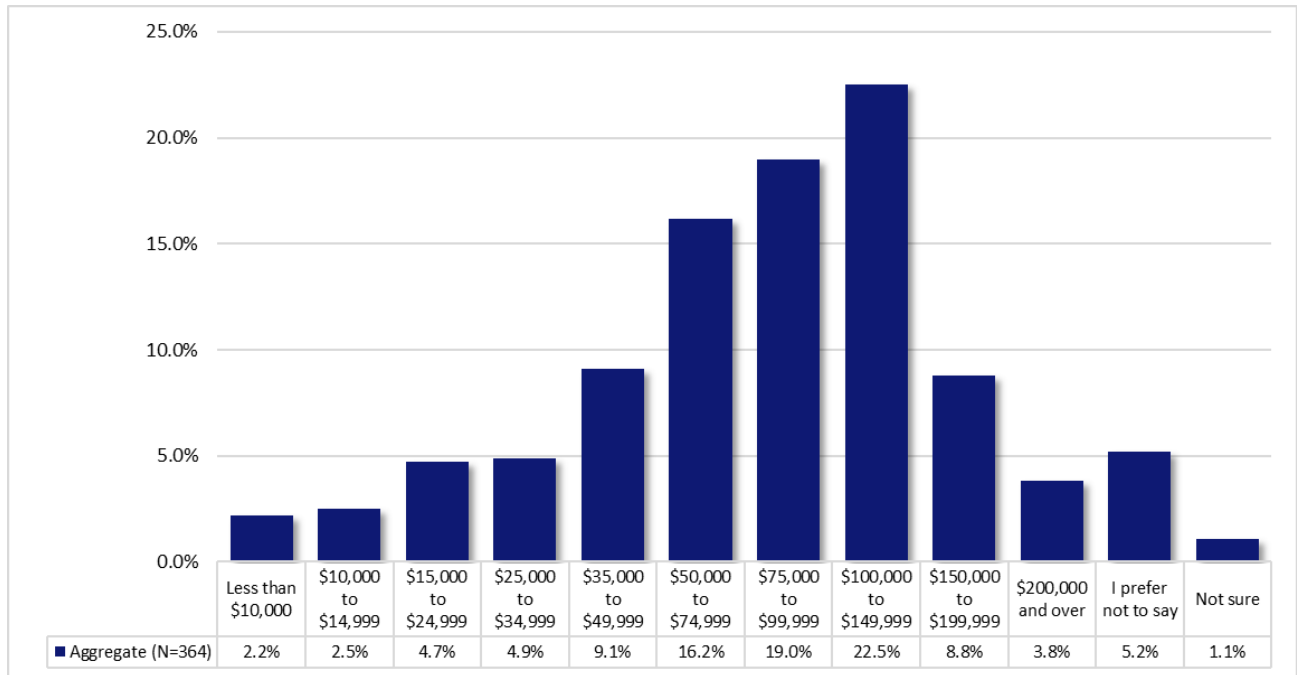
- Retirement (13)
- Farm related (4)
- Pension (4)
- Disability (2)
- Financial aid from parents
- Investments
- None
- Pet sitting
- Rental income



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What was your annual household income in 2019?

Almost 60 percent of respondents have an annual household income of between \$50,000 and \$149,999 (57.7%) with those making \$100,000 to \$149,999 accounting for 38.9% of the percentage.

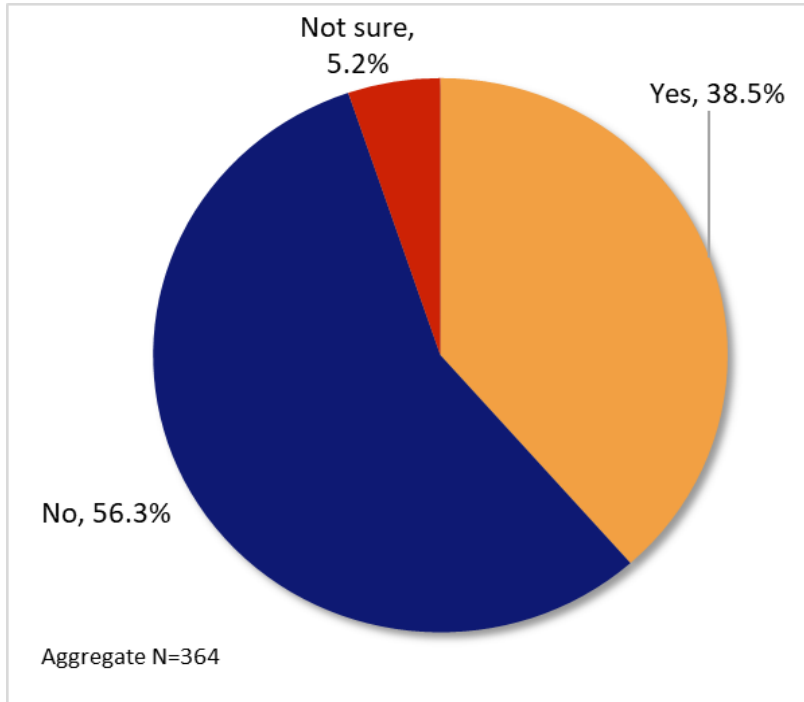


Compared to the aggregate income levels found from the Iowa 2019 American Community Survey data, Story County has a higher percentage of respondents in a stable income household (19.0% compared to 14.1%), and a higher percentage of respondents in a very stable income household (35.1% compared to 26.3%).

	Adjusted Aggregate N=364	2019 Iowa ACS* Data
Below Federal Poverty Level (<i>family of 4</i>) Less than \$25K	9.4%	17.6%
ALICE Population (<i>above FPL but below survival income</i>) \$25K to \$49.9K	14.0%	22.6%
Sufficient Survival Income Household \$50K to \$74.9K	16.2%	19.5%
Stable Income Households \$75K to \$99.9K	19.0%	14.1%
Very Stable Income Households \$100K or more	35.1%	26.3%

*ACS refers to the Iowa 2019 American Community Survey data.

Did your household experience a loss of income or unexpected expense as a direct result of COVID-19?



56.3% of respondents did not experience a loss of income or unexpected expense as a direct result of COVID-19.

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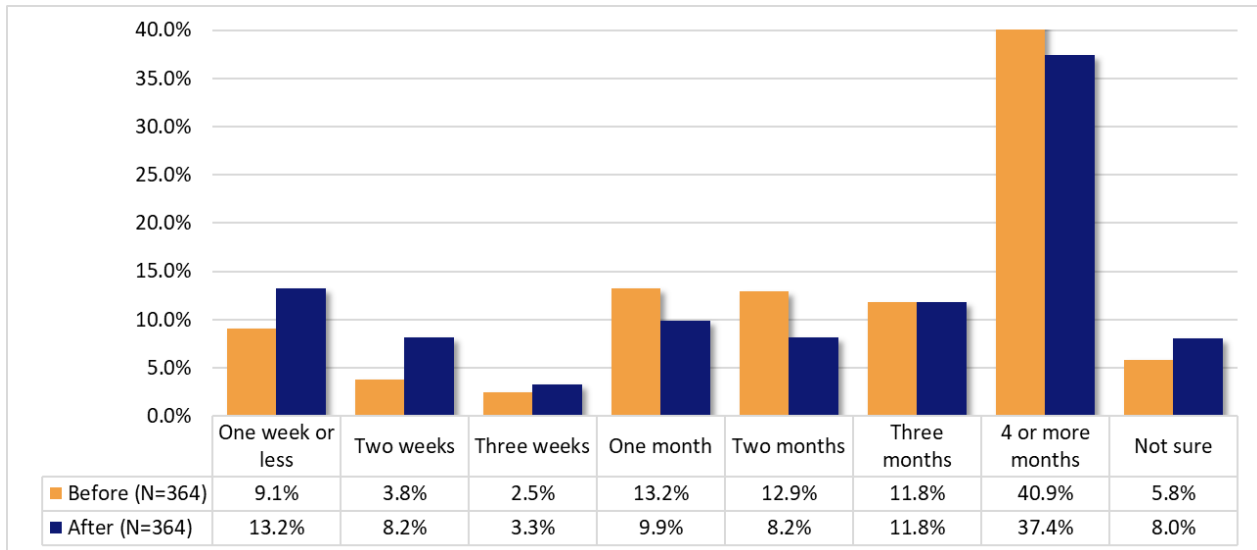
	Aggregate (N=364)	Below FLP (N=34)	ALICE (N=51)	Sufficient (N=59)	Stable (N=69)	Very Stable (N=128)
Yes	38.5%	61.8%	51.0%	40.7%	33.3%	25.0%
No	56.3%	32.4%	39.2%	50.8%	65.2%	71.9%
Not sure	5.2%	5.9%	9.8%	8.5%	1.4%	3.1%



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How long could/can you cover your basic bills from your savings both before and after COVID-19?

There was an increase in the number of respondents that could cover basic bills for one week or less (9.1% to 13.2%), two weeks (3.8% to 8.2%), and three weeks (2.5% to 3.3%) after the COVID-19 pandemic began compared to before COVID-19. Also, a slightly higher number of respondents were unsure of how long their savings could cover basic bills after the COVID-19 pandemic began (8.0%) compared to before COVID-19 (5.8%).



Income Breakout (Before COVID-19):

	Before (N=364)	Below FLP (N=34)	ALICE (N=51)	Sufficient (N=59)	Stable (N=69)	Very Stable (N=128)
One week or less	9.1%	23.5%	17.6%	13.6%	5.8%	3.1%
Two weeks	3.8%	5.9%	7.8%	5.1%	2.9%	1.6%
Three weeks	2.5%	5.9%	0.0%	3.4%	4.3%	0.8%
One month	13.2%	23.5%	19.6%	18.6%	20.3%	3.9%
Two months	12.9%	8.8%	15.7%	16.9%	8.7%	11.7%
Three months	11.8%	8.8%	5.9%	5.1%	13.0%	18.0%
4 or more months	40.9%	11.8%	29.4%	30.5%	40.6%	57.8%
Not sure	5.8%	11.8%	3.9%	6.8%	4.3%	3.1%



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Income Breakout (After COVID-19):

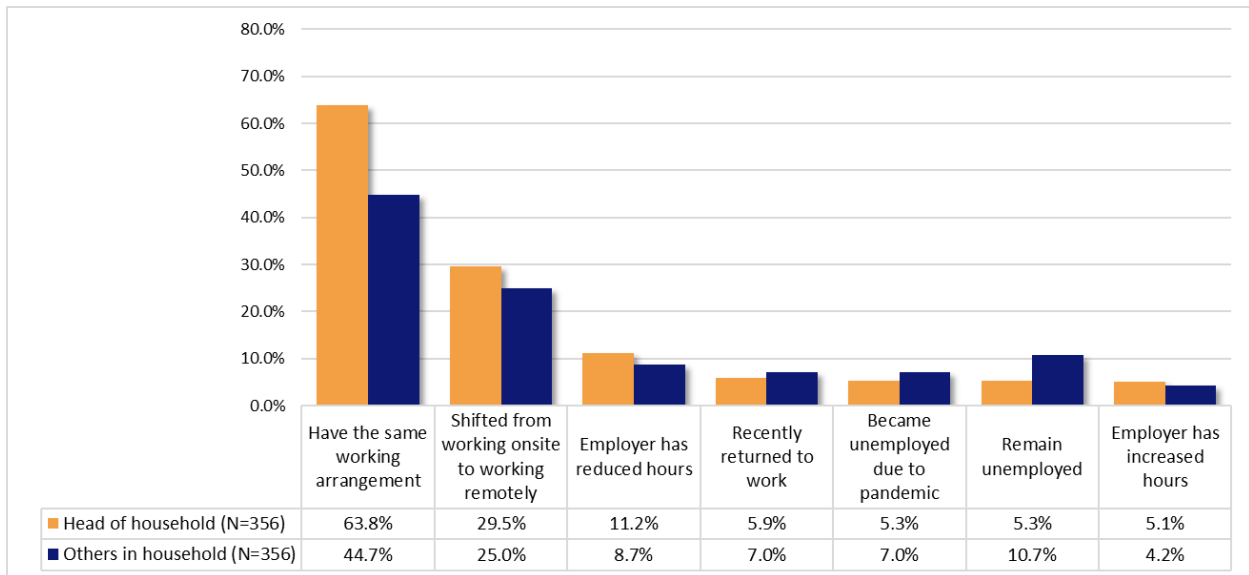
	After (N=364)	Below FLP (N=34)	ALICE (N=51)	Sufficient (N=59)	Stable (N=69)	Very Stable (N=128)
One week or less	13.2%	35.3%	25.5%	20.3%	10.1%	2.3%
Two weeks	8.2%	11.8%	11.8%	10.2%	10.1%	3.9%
Three weeks	3.3%	2.9%	0.0%	3.4%	2.9%	4.7%
One month	9.9%	8.8%	15.7%	11.9%	15.9%	3.9%
Two months	8.2%	8.8%	5.9%	10.2%	4.3%	10.2%
Three months	11.8%	11.8%	5.9%	5.1%	13.0%	17.2%
4 or more months	37.4%	8.8%	25.5%	25.4%	39.1%	53.9%
Not sure	8.0%	11.8%	9.8%	13.6%	4.3%	3.9%



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How has the coronavirus pandemic impacted the working arrangements for your household?

63.8% of respondents reported the head of the household has the same working arrangement, followed by a shift to working remotely (29.5%). 21.8% of heads of households working arrangements were negatively impacted by the pandemic with 11.2% working reduced hours, 5.3% becoming unemployed, and 5.3% remaining unemployed. As for others in the household, 44.7% have the same working arrangement, followed by a shift to working remotely (25.0%). 26.4% of other members working arrangements were also negatively impacted by the pandemic with 8.7% working reduced hours, 7.0% becoming unemployed, and 10.7% remaining unemployed.



Income Breakout (Head of household):

	Head of household (N=356)	Below FLP (N=34)	ALICE (N=51)	Sufficient (N=59)	Stable (N=69)	Very Stable (N=128)
Have the same working arrangement	63.8%	45.2%	52.0%	63.8%	77.6%	65.4%
Shifted from working onsite to working remotely	29.5%	9.7%	32.0%	32.8%	19.4%	33.9%
Employer has reduced hours	11.2%	22.6%	24.0%	12.1%	7.5%	4.7%
Recently returned to work	5.9%	12.9%	12.0%	3.4%	4.5%	3.9%
Became unemployed due to pandemic	5.3%	25.8%	10.0%	1.7%	1.5%	1.6%
Remain unemployed	5.3%	22.6%	8.0%	6.9%	1.5%	1.6%
Employer has increased hours	5.1%	6.5%	6.0%	8.6%	7.5%	1.6%



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Income Breakout (Others in household):

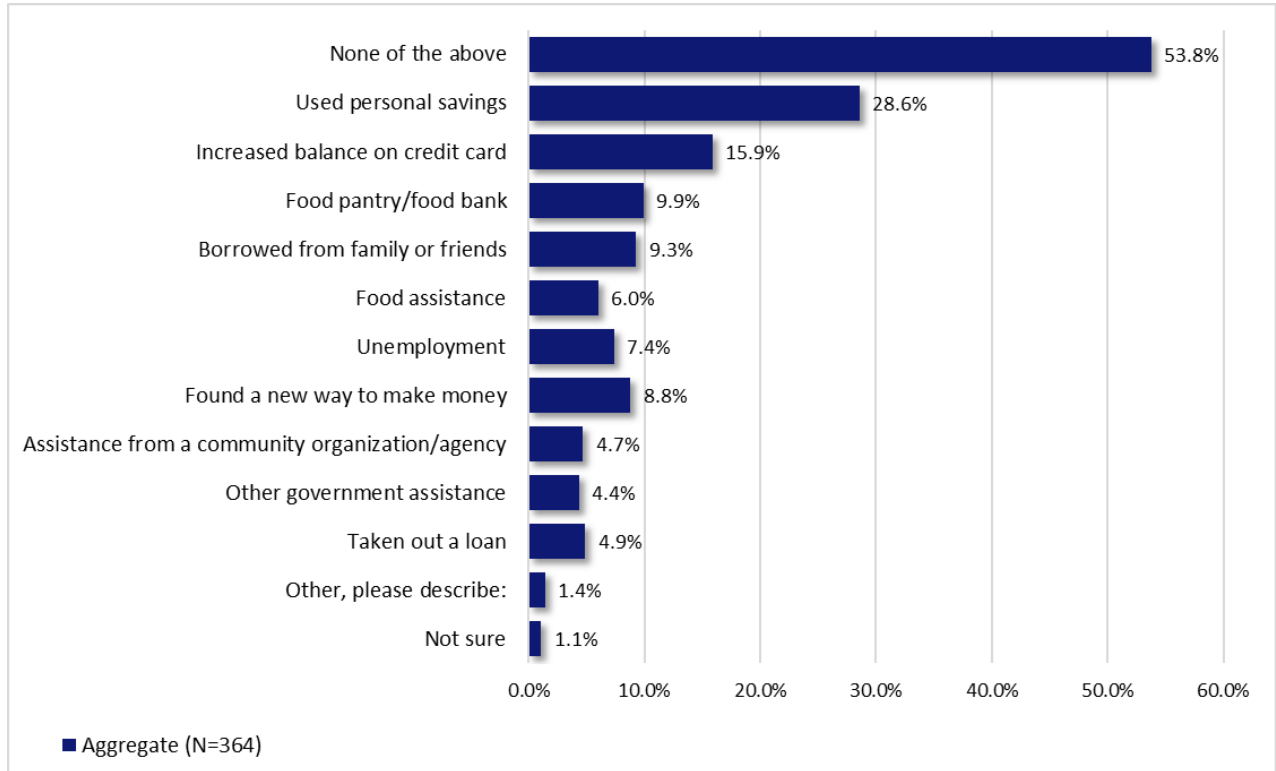
	Others in household (N=356)	Below FLP (N=34)	ALICE (N=51)	Sufficient (N=59)	Stable (N=69)	Very Stable (N=128)
Have the same working arrangement	44.7%	22.6%	22.0%	39.7%	50.7%	55.9%
Shifted from working onsite to working remotely	25.0%	6.5%	8.0%	15.5%	40.3%	33.1%
Employer has reduced hours	8.7%	22.6%	6.0%	6.9%	10.4%	3.9%
Recently returned to work	7.0%	12.9%	10.0%	6.9%	11.9%	2.4%
Became unemployed due to pandemic	7.0%	12.9%	8.0%	13.8%	6.0%	1.6%
Remain unemployed	10.7%	29.0%	14.0%	20.7%	4.5%	3.1%
Employer has increased hours	4.2%	6.5%	2.0%	6.9%	4.5%	2.4%



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Which of the following have you used or continue to use for meeting household needs as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic, if any?

Over half of the respondents reported using none of the following resources to continue meeting household needs (53.8%). The most used resources include personal savings (28.6%), an increased balance on credit cards (15.9%), and food pantries/food banks (9.9%).



Income Breakout:

	Aggregate (N=364)	Below FLP (N=34)	ALICE (N=51)	Sufficient (N=59)	Stable (N=69)	Very Stable (N=128)
None of the above	53.8%	11.8%	35.3%	40.7%	60.9%	76.6%
Used personal savings	28.6%	35.3%	37.3%	40.7%	24.6%	17.2%
Increased balance on credit card	15.9%	26.5%	27.5%	22.0%	17.4%	7.0%
Food pantry/food bank	9.9%	38.2%	21.6%	11.9%	1.4%	0.8%
Borrowed from family or friends	9.3%	23.5%	19.6%	11.9%	5.8%	0.8%
Food assistance	6.0%	29.4%	11.8%	5.1%	0.0%	0.0%
Unemployment	7.4%	8.8%	13.7%	10.2%	7.2%	2.3%
Found a new way to make money	8.8%	20.6%	15.7%	11.9%	7.2%	1.6%
Assistance from a community organization/agency	4.7%	23.5%	5.9%	5.1%	1.4%	0.8%
Other government assistance	4.4%	14.7%	2.0%	8.5%	4.3%	0.0%
Taken out a loan	4.9%	8.8%	7.8%	8.5%	2.9%	2.3%
Other, please describe:	1.4%	0.0%	2.0%	1.7%	0.0%	2.3%
Not sure	1.1%	2.9%	2.0%	1.7%	0.0%	0.8%



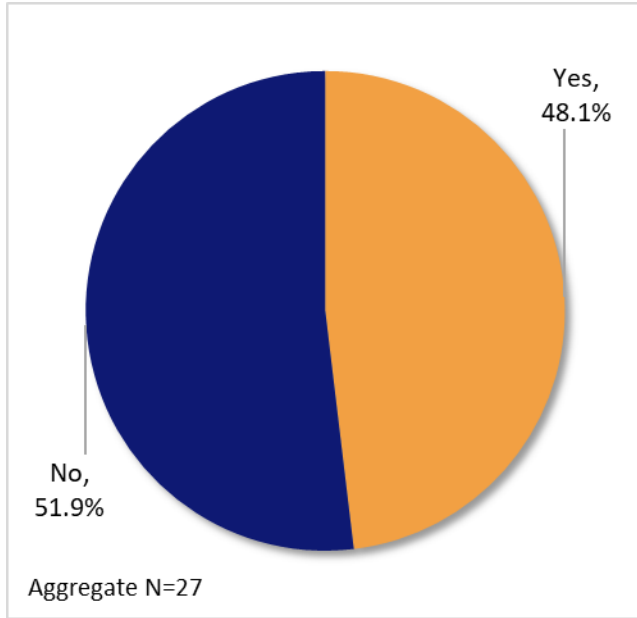
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Other reported responses included:

- 401k withdrawal
- Continuing salaries
- Cut out all "extra" spending (we already lived very frugal), sold things in our house and an older car, didn't help our son with college money, eating less meat (cheaper groceries)
- Free insurance from state
- Hotspot from school.
- Rental assistance from cares act funds
- Social security
- Stopped paying student loans
- Support from family, friends, and colleagues for food and medication delivery.

Are you still receiving unemployment payments?

48.1% of respondents reported that they are still receiving unemployment payments.

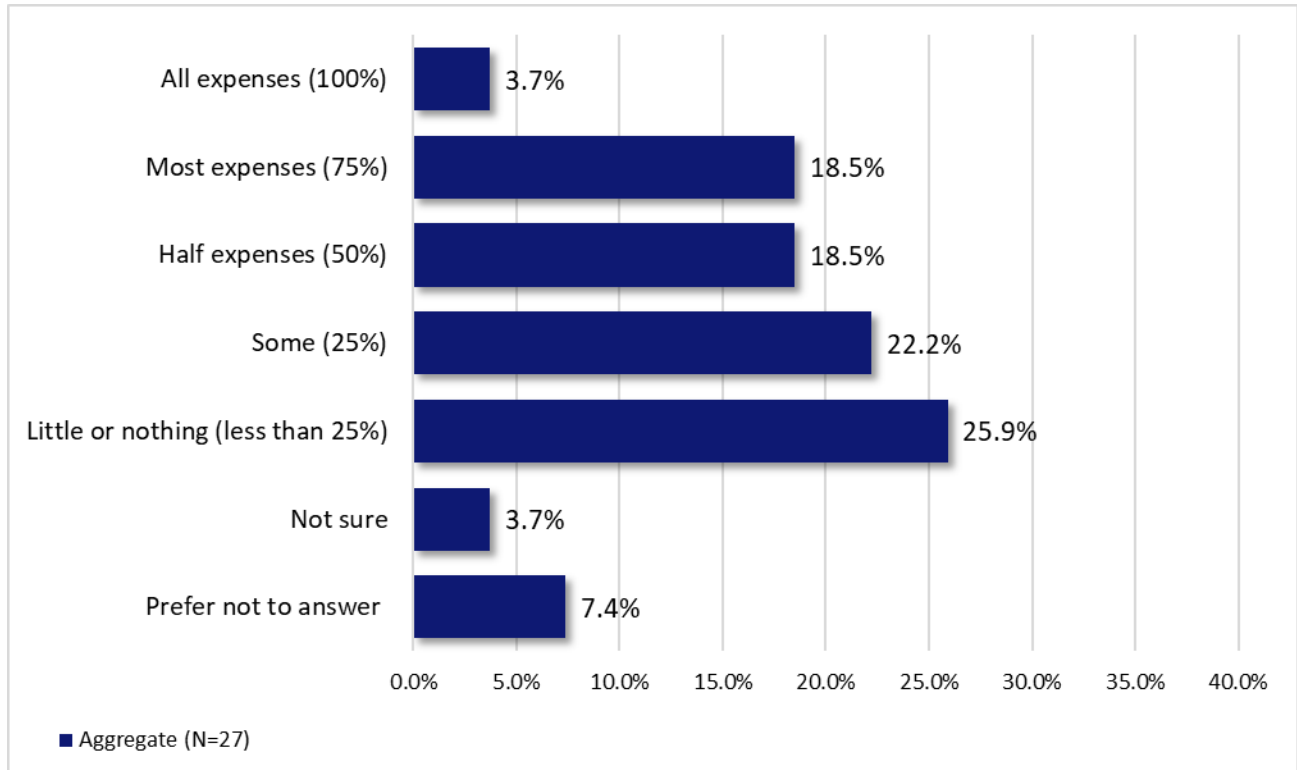


Income Breakout:

	Aggregate (N=27)	Below FLP (N=3)	ALICE (N=7)	Sufficient (N=6)	Stable (N=5)	Very Stable (N=3)
Yes	48.1%	33.3%	57.1%	33.3%	80.0%	0.0%
No	51.9%	66.7%	42.9%	66.7%	20.0%	100.0%

What percentage of your monthly expenses does this payment cover?

25.9% of respondents reported that the unemployment payments cover less than 25 percent of their monthly expenses, followed by 25 percent of their expenses (22.2%), half of their expenses (18.5%), and most of their expenses (18.5%). 3.7% of respondents reported that the unemployment payments cover all of their expenses.



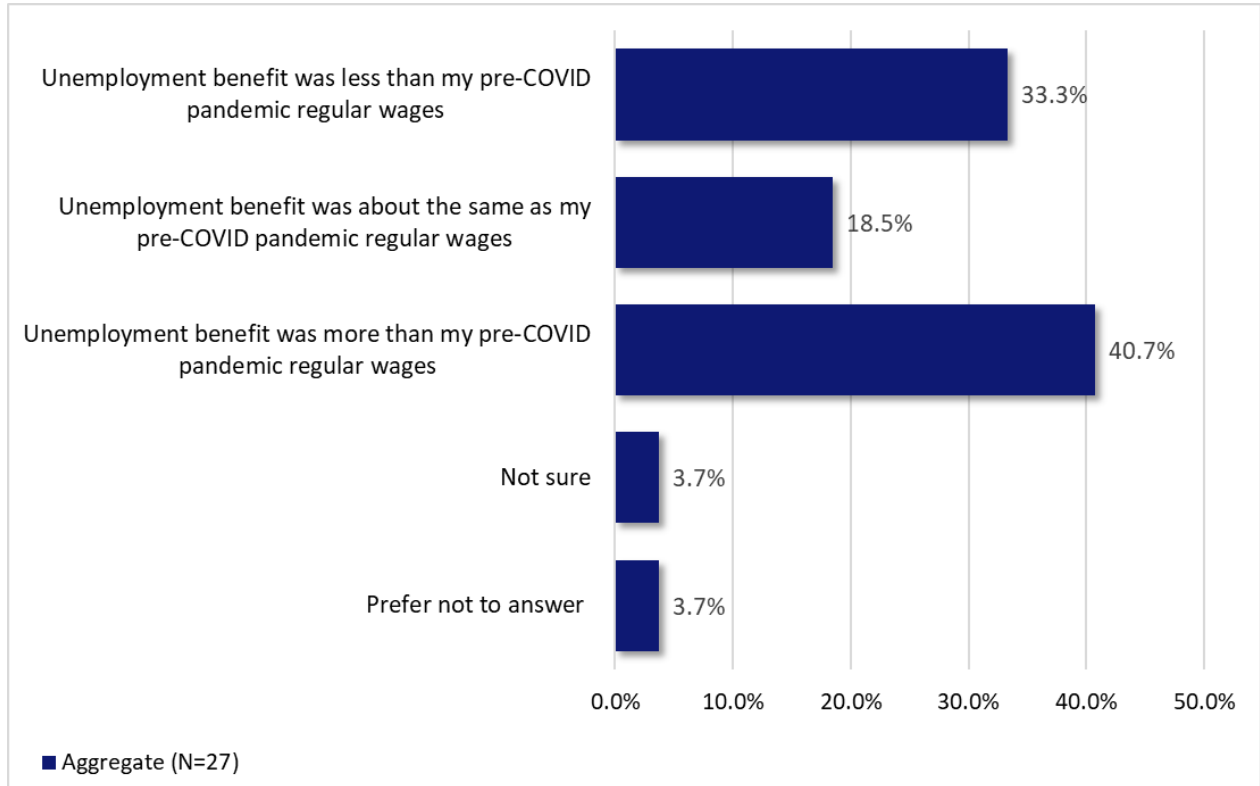
Income Breakout:

	Aggregate (N=27)	Below FLP (N=3)	ALICE (N=7)	Sufficient (N=6)	Stable (N=5)	Very Stable (N=3)
All expenses (100%)	3.7%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	20.0%	0.0%
Most expenses (75%)	18.5%	33.3%	14.3%	0.0%	20.0%	33.3%
Half expenses (50%)	18.5%	0.0%	14.3%	16.7%	20.0%	33.3%
Some (25%)	22.2%	33.3%	14.3%	66.7%	0.0%	0.0%
Little or nothing (less than 25%)	25.9%	33.3%	42.9%	0.0%	20.0%	33.3%
Not sure	3.7%	0.0%	14.3%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Prefer not to answer	7.4%	0.0%	0.0%	16.7%	20.0%	0.0%

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How did your unemployment benefits (state plus additional \$600 federal benefit) compare to your regular (pre-COVID pandemic) wages?

Just over two-fifths of respondents reported that their unemployment benefits were greater than their pre-COVID pandemic regular wages (40.7%). Another one-third reported their unemployment benefit was less than their pre-COVID pandemic regular wages (33.3%).



Income Breakout:

	Aggregate (N=27)	Below FLP (N=3)	ALICE (N=7)	Sufficient (N=6)	Stable (N=5)	Very Stable (N=3)
Unemployment benefit was less than my pre-COVID pandemic regular wages	33.3%	0.0%	28.6%	50.0%	20.0%	66.7%
Unemployment benefit was about the same as my pre-COVID pandemic regular wages	18.5%	33.3%	14.3%	16.7%	40.0%	0.0%
Unemployment benefit was more than my pre-COVID pandemic regular wages	40.7%	66.7%	57.1%	0.0%	40.0%	33.3%
Not sure	3.7%	0.0%	0.0%	16.7%	0.0%	0.0%
Prefer not to answer	3.7%	0.0%	0.0%	16.7%	0.0%	0.0%

About the Household

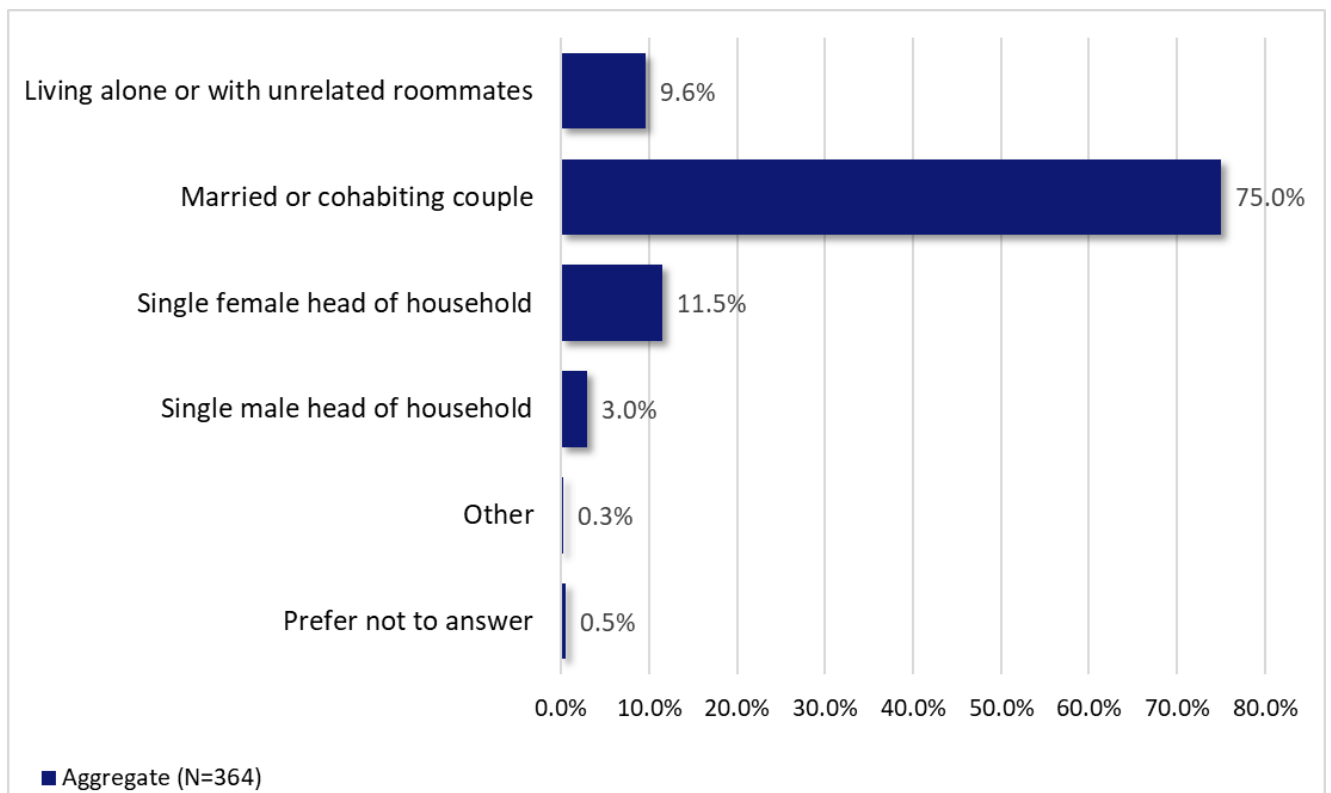
How many members are a part of your household?

Because the median is less than the mean for the children under 5, children 5 to 12, children 13 to 17, and seniors 65 and over categories the data is skewed to the right. Since the Median is greater than the mean for the adults 18-64 category the data is skewed left, but only slightly.

	Aggregate Mean	Median	Sum
Children under 5 N=45	0.16	0.00	56.00
Children 5 to 12 N=93	0.45	0.00	154.00
Children 13 to 17 N=68	0.28	0.00	97.00
Adults 18-64 N=311	1.78	2.00	614.00
Seniors 65 and over N=55	0.24	0.00	83.00

How would you describe your household?

A majority of respondents reported that they are married or a cohabiting couple (75.0%).





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Income Breakout:

	Aggregate (N=364)	Below FLP (N=34)	ALICE (N=51)	Sufficient (N=59)	Stable (N=69)	Very Stable (N=128)
Living alone or with unrelated roommates	9.6%	29.4%	25.5%	8.5%	4.3%	0.8%
Married or cohabiting couple	75.0%	35.3%	37.3%	66.1%	92.8%	95.3%
Single female head of household	11.5%	29.4%	31.4%	15.3%	2.9%	2.3%
Single male head of household	3.0%	5.9%	3.9%	8.5%	0.0%	0.8%
Other	0.3%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.8%
Prefer not to answer	0.5%	0.0%	2.0%	1.7%	0.0%	0.0%

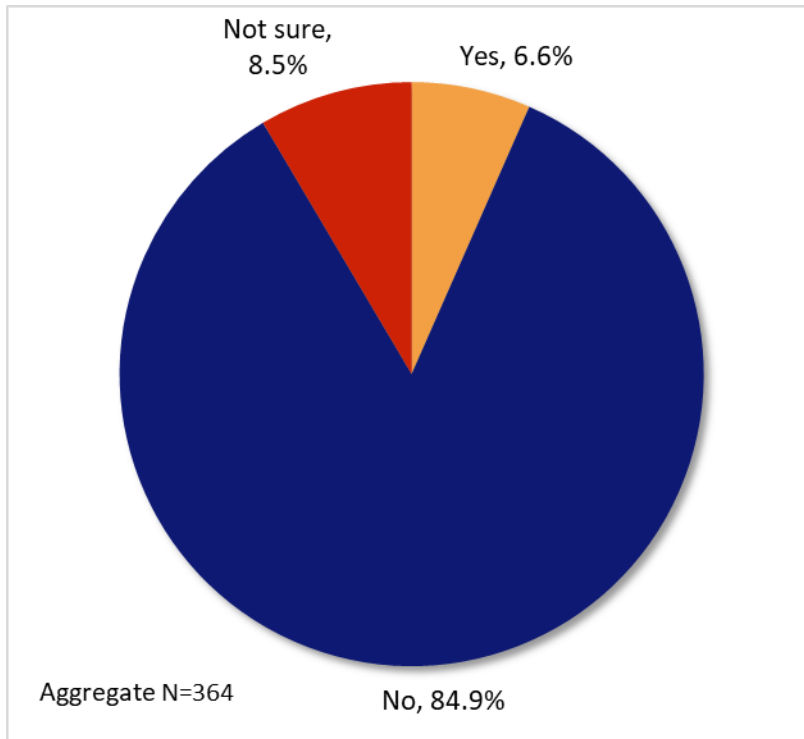
Other reported household descriptions included:

- 1 child and 1 grandchild living with us currently
- College student living with friends as roommates
- Married couple caring for elderly relative in their home.
- Married, but due to careers, spouse lives in different state.
- Multigenerational
- Room mates

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Since March 16, 2020, has someone in your home called or texted 211 for information or help?

A majority of respondents reported that they did not call or text 211 for information help (84.9%).



Income Breakout:

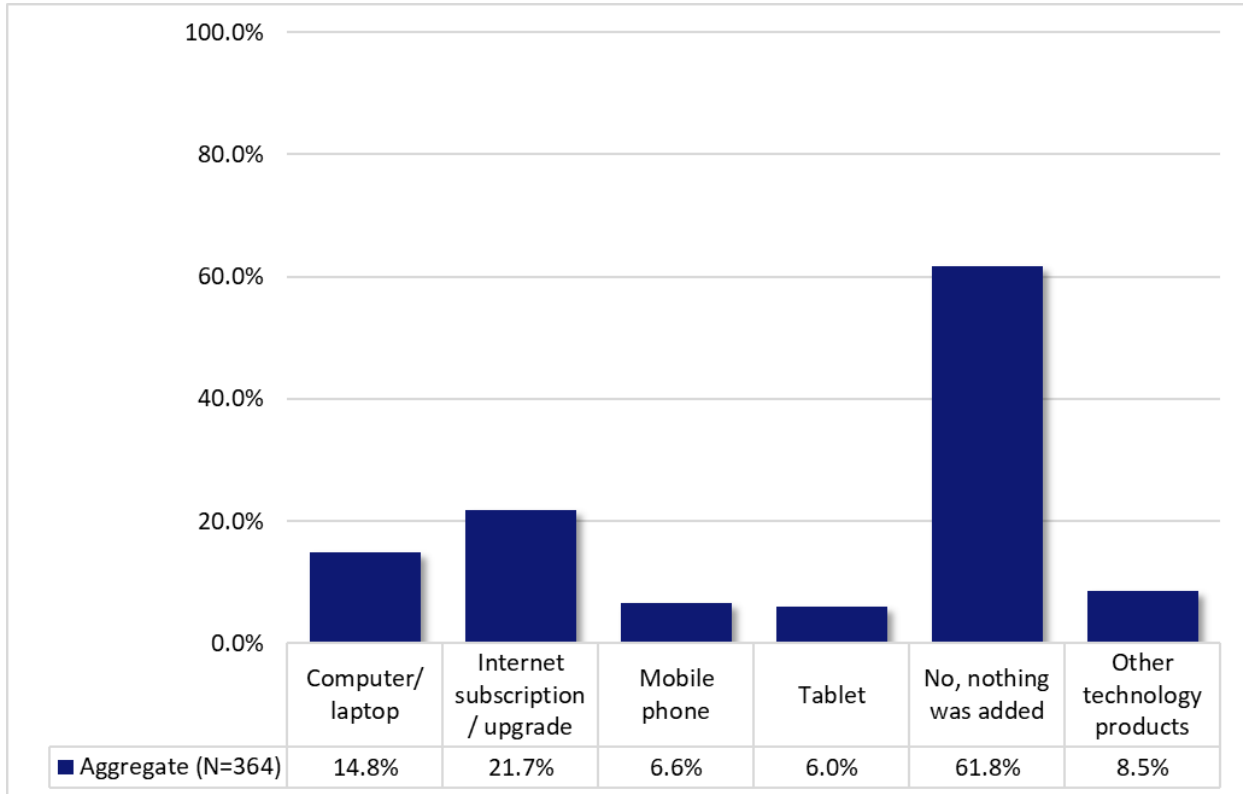
	Aggregate (N=364)	Below FLP (N=34)	ALICE (N=51)	Sufficient (N=59)	Stable (N=69)	Very Stable (N=128)
Yes	6.6%	8.8%	11.8%	8.5%	5.8%	3.9%
No	84.9%	79.4%	82.4%	81.4%	84.1%	89.1%
Not sure	8.5%	11.8%	5.9%	10.2%	10.1%	7.0%



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Have you purchased any of the following to adapt to a stay-at-home order and/or school closures?

Almost two-thirds of respondents reported that they did not purchase anything to adapt to a stay-at-home order and/or school closures. 21.7% purchased an internet subscription/upgrade and 14.8% of respondents purchased a computer/laptop. 8.5% purchased other technology products.



Income Breakout:

	Aggregate (N=364)	Below FLP (N=34)	ALICE (N=51)	Sufficient (N=59)	Stable (N=69)	Very Stable (N=128)
Computer/ laptop	14.8%	11.8%	15.7%	16.9%	14.5%	11.7%
Internet subscription/ upgrade	21.7%	20.6%	25.5%	20.3%	17.4%	21.9%
Mobile phone	6.6%	11.8%	7.8%	5.1%	5.8%	5.5%
Tablet	6.0%	2.9%	5.9%	8.5%	5.8%	5.5%
No, nothing was added	61.8%	64.7%	64.7%	64.4%	63.8%	60.9%
Other technology products	8.5%	5.9%	3.9%	8.5%	10.1%	9.4%

Other most frequently reported technology related purchases included:

- Web cam (6)
- Monitor (6)
- Headphones (6)
- Printer (5)
- Network equipment (3)
- Microphone (2)



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- Adapters
- Addition keyboard/mouse, school provides chrome books for children
- Additional computer accessories (Ethernet cable, etc.)
- Chair
- Different internet. And hot spots
- Equipment to support better stay at home learning
- Ethernet cord
- Got hot spot through the school - very necessary
- Monitor and external keyboard for online learning
- Portable scanner
- Mobile phone plan upgrade to cover increased data usage from work from home.
- Pen mouse
- Recording devices and associated hardware
- WIFI extenders
- Zoom subscription



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Children Related Questions

Which of the following childcare arrangements did your household utilize for each of the three time periods shown in the box below?

	Before COVID 19 Pandemic (N=129)	During COVID 19 Pandemic (N=129)	Current (N=129)
None of these	28.7%	51.9%	42.6%
Friend or relative	14.7%	14.7%	12.4%
Child care center	20.9%	7.8%	17.1%
School based program	16.3%	1.6%	7.0%
In-home child care	12.4%	12.4%	14.0%
At-home child care provider	17.8%	17.8%	14.0%
Iowa's Childcare Assistance program	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Head Start or Early Head Start program	0.0%	0.0%	0.8%
Other	3.1%	0.8%	0.8%
Not sure	0.0%	0.0%	0.8%

The use of child care centers dropped significantly from 20.9%, before the COVID-19 pandemic, to 7.8%, during the COVID-19 pandemic, and is currently close to pre-COVID levels at 17.1%. The use of school-based programs also dropped significantly from 16.3%, before the COVID-19 pandemic, to 1.6%, during the COVID-19

pandemic, and has not returned to pre-COVID levels (currently at 7.0%). There were no significant changes to in-home child care over the three time periods. There is a slightly higher use of in-home child care currently (14.0%) compared to before and during the COVID-19 pandemic (12.4%).

Income Breakout (Before COVID-19):

	Before COVID 19 Pandemic (N=129)	Below FLP (N=9)	ALICE (N=20)	Sufficient (N=17)	Stable (N=27)	Very Stable (N=46)
None of these	28.7%	33.3%	45.0%	41.2%	25.9%	17.4%
Friend or relative	14.7%	11.1%	15.0%	17.6%	11.1%	17.4%
Child care center	20.9%	22.2%	10.0%	11.8%	25.9%	28.3%
School based program	16.3%	22.2%	10.0%	11.8%	14.8%	21.7%
In-home child care	12.4%	0.0%	10.0%	11.8%	22.2%	13.0%
At-home child care provider	17.8%	22.2%	15.0%	11.8%	18.5%	15.2%
Iowa's Childcare Assistance progr	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Head Start or Early Head Start prc	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Other	3.1%	0.0%	5.0%	0.0%	3.7%	0.0%
Not sure	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%



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Income Breakout (During COVID-19):

	During COVID 19 Pandemic (N=129)	Below FLP (N=9)	ALICE (N=20)	Sufficient (N=17)	Stable (N=27)	Very Stable (N=46)
None of these	51.9%	44.4%	55.0%	47.1%	55.6%	50.0%
Friend or relative	14.7%	33.3%	10.0%	29.4%	14.8%	8.7%
Child care center	7.8%	11.1%	10.0%	11.8%	11.1%	4.3%
School based program	1.6%	0.0%	5.0%	0.0%	3.7%	0.0%
In-home child care	12.4%	0.0%	5.0%	11.8%	18.5%	17.4%
At-home child care provider	17.8%	22.2%	10.0%	5.9%	14.8%	23.9%
Iowa's Childcare Assistance progr	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Head Start or Early Head Start prc	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Other	0.8%	0.0%	0.0%	0.8%	0.0%	0.0%
Not sure	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%

Income Breakout (Current):

	Current (N=129)	Below FLP (N=9)	ALICE (N=20)	Sufficient (N=17)	Stable (N=27)	Very Stable (N=46)
None of these	57.4%	33.3%	65.0%	29.4%	44.4%	37.0%
Friend or relative	12.4%	33.3%	5.0%	23.5%	7.4%	10.9%
Child care center	17.1%	11.1%	15.0%	11.8%	22.2%	21.7%
School based program	7.0%	0.0%	10.0%	5.9%	7.4%	8.7%
In-home child care	14.0%	11.1%	5.0%	23.5%	18.5%	15.2%
At-home child care provider	14.0%	11.1%	5.0%	11.8%	11.1%	15.2%
Iowa's Childcare Assistance progr	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Head Start or Early Head Start prc	0.8%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	2.2%
Other	0.8%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	2.2%
Not sure	0.8%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	2.2%

Other reported responses included:

- **Before COVID 19**
 - After school care
 - After school martial arts program
 - After school program
 - At/in someone else's home
 - Boys and Girls Club Story County
 - Church-based program
 - During the summer only
 - Family
 - Full time parenthood
 - In school
 - School during day - home or extra curriculars after school
 - Self
 - Stay at home dad
- **During COVID-19**
 - Children stayed home alone
 - Children watched at home by teleworking parent(s)



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- Family
- Full-time. Parenthood
- Had to watch ourselves
- Kids stayed home all day alone - 11 and 16
- Kids stayed home with me
- One parent stayed home
- Self
- Self
- Stay at home dad
- Stay at home parent
- Stayed at home for work and watched kids
- Watched by older siblings
- We (parents) took care of our kids = major stress as we tried to keep up with full-time work
- We provided childcare ourselves
- Worked from home, kept kids home
- **Now**
 - 1 child in childcare, 1 child covered by us
 - At/in someone else's home
 - Back to school - in some activities - home
 - Children are home alone
 - Children watched at home by teleworking parent(s)
 - Family
 - Full-time parenthood
 - Home with siblings
 - In school
 - Kids stay home with me
 - Self
 - Stay at home dad
 - Stay home parent
 - We/the parents watch our kids
 - Working from home still due to decreased childcare center hours



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How have your childcare arrangements impacted your household’s income/ability to work for the following three time periods shown in the box below?

There was a significant decrease in the percentage of those that reported no impact before the COVID-19 pandemic (82.2%) compared to during the COVID-19 pandemic (45.0%). Currently, 53.5% of respondents reported no impact to their income/ability to work, which is roughly 30 percentage points below pre-COVID levels. The greater impact to household income/ability to work can be explained by an increase in the number of respondents working reduced hours due to child care issues (8.5% from 3.9%), working similar hours with new in-home child care (20.2% from 4.7%), and not being able to work due to child care issues (7.8% from 1.6%) currently compared to before the COVID-19 pandemic.

	Before COVID-19 Pandemic (N=129)	During COVID-19 Pandemic (N=129)	Current (N=129)
No impact	82.2%	45.0%	53.5%
Not sure	3.1%	3.9%	2.3%
Working reduced hours due to child care issues	3.9%	12.4%	8.5%
Working similar hours with new in-home child care	4.7%	24.8%	20.2%
Working similar hours with a new outside of the home child care provider	3.9%	5.4%	9.3%
Not able to work due to child care issues	1.6%	10.1%	7.8%
Other	0.8%	5.4%	6.2%

Income Breakout (Before COVID-19):

	Before COVID-19 Pandemic (N=129)	Below FLP (N=9)	ALICE (N=20)	Sufficient (N=17)	Stable (N=27)	Very Stable (N=46)
No impact	82.2%	66.7%	75.0%	82.4%	77.8%	91.3%
Not sure	3.1%	11.1%	5.0%	5.9%	3.7%	0.0%
Working reduced hours due to child care issues	3.9%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	3.7%	4.3%
Working similar hours with new in-home child care	4.7%	11.1%	15.0%	5.9%	3.7%	0.0%
Working similar hours with a new outside of the home child care provider	3.9%	0.0%	5.0%	0.0%	7.4%	4.3%
Not able to work due to child care issues	1.6%	0.0%	5.0%	0.0%	3.7%	0.0%
Other	0.8%	11.1%	0.0%	5.9%	3.7%	0.0%



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Income Breakout (During COVID-19):

	During COVID-19 Pandemic (N=129)	Below FLP (N=9)	ALICE (N=20)	Sufficient (N=17)	Stable (N=27)	Very Stable (N=46)
No impact	45.0%	55.6%	55.0%	64.7%	48.1%	34.8%
Not sure	3.9%	11.1%	10.0%	0.0%	7.4%	0.0%
Working reduced hours due to child care issues	12.4%	11.1%	10.0%	5.9%	11.1%	10.9%
Working similar hours with new in-home child care	24.8%	11.1%	10.0%	17.6%	22.2%	39.1%
Working similar hours with a new outside of the home child care provider	5.4%	0.0%	5.0%	5.9%	11.1%	4.3%
Not able to work due to child care issues	10.1%	11.1%	15.0%	0.0%	11.1%	6.5%
Other	5.4%	0.0%	0.0%	5.9%	3.7%	10.9%

Income Breakout (Current):

	Current (N=129)	Below FLP (N=9)	ALICE (N=20)	Sufficient (N=17)	Stable (N=27)	Very Stable (N=46)
No impact	53.5%	66.7%	50.0%	64.7%	55.6%	50.0%
Not sure	2.3%	0.0%	10.0%	0.0%	3.7%	0.0%
Working reduced hours due to child care issues	8.5%	0.0%	10.0%	0.0%	11.1%	6.5%
Working similar hours with new in-home child care	20.2%	11.1%	10.0%	11.8%	11.1%	32.6%
Working similar hours with a new outside of the home child care provider	9.3%	0.0%	5.0%	11.8%	7.4%	13.0%
Not able to work due to child care issues	7.8%	11.1%	15.0%	5.9%	7.4%	2.2%
Other	6.2%	11.1%	5.0%	5.9%	7.4%	4.3%

Other most frequently reported household income/ability to work descriptions included:

- **Before COVID 19**
 - Can't work do to disability
 - No impact since I am home
 - Pregnant still
 - Stay at home dad
- **During COVID-19**
 - Can't work do to disability
 - Had to hire babysitter for emotional support for my children. My husband and I were both working from home but we could tell our children's mental health and schoolwork was suffering with them not being in school. It was very challenging to try and sit down with the kids after 5 pm to start their schoolwork. Kids were tired and didn't want to learn.
 - Have had to learn to work at home while also taking care of the kids
 - Laid off so I could handle child care on my own while I looked for a job
 - No child care needed
 - No child care work from home



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- None since I am working from home
- Not able to work due to high risk health profile
- Parents helped with childcare due to their closure
- Same hours, but had to work from home to care for kids several days/weeks
- Work with other parents to cover time when the child care center closed temporarily for 2-3 months
- Working different but similar hours due to keeping kids home
- Working similar number of hours, but flexible due to childcare needs
- **Now**
 - As long as financially able, will avoid outside care/in-person schooling until contagion rate lowers
 - Can't work do to disability
 - Have had to learn to work at home while also taking care of the kids
 - Hire babysitter on Wednesday afternoons for early outs. Prior to that we did not need daycare during school hours.
 - Kids in school
 - None since I am working from home
 - Not able to work due to high risk health profile
 - Retired
 - Same hours, but had to work from home to care for kids several days/weeks
 - Work flexible to allow remote work with kids at home
 - Working from home while trying to accommodate kids new school schedule and my work schedule. Not able to utilize previous childcare arrangement (Grandma) due to high risk.
 - Working similar issues but have considered reducing hours to help at home



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Which of the following best describes your child /children’s return to school plan at this time?

45.7% of respondents have children receiving 100% in-person instruction at school. 39.5% of respondents have children receiving some form of online education (e.g. hybrid, online instruction, homeschooling, etc.).

	Aggregate (N=129)
100% in-person instruction at school	45.7%
Hybrid - Provided by school district	24.8%
100% at home/distance/online instruction provided by school district	11.6%
100% homeschooling provided by parent or other resource	3.1%
Other	12.4%
Unsure	2.3%

Income Breakout:

	Aggregate (N=129)	Below FLP (N=9)	ALICE (N=20)	Sufficient (N=17)	Stable (N=27)	Very Stable (N=46)
100% in-person instruction at school	45.7%	55.6%	45.0%	58.8%	37.0%	45.7%
Hybrid - Provided by school district	24.8%	33.3%	30.0%	5.9%	18.5%	34.8%
100% at home/distance/online instruction provided by school district	11.6%	0.0%	10.0%	17.6%	14.8%	8.7%
100% homeschooling provided by parent or other resource	3.1%	0.0%	5.0%	5.9%	0.0%	2.2%
Other	12.4%	0.0%	5.0%	11.8%	25.9%	8.7%
Unsure	2.3%	11.1%	5.0%	0.0%	3.7%	0.0%

Other reported return to school plans included:

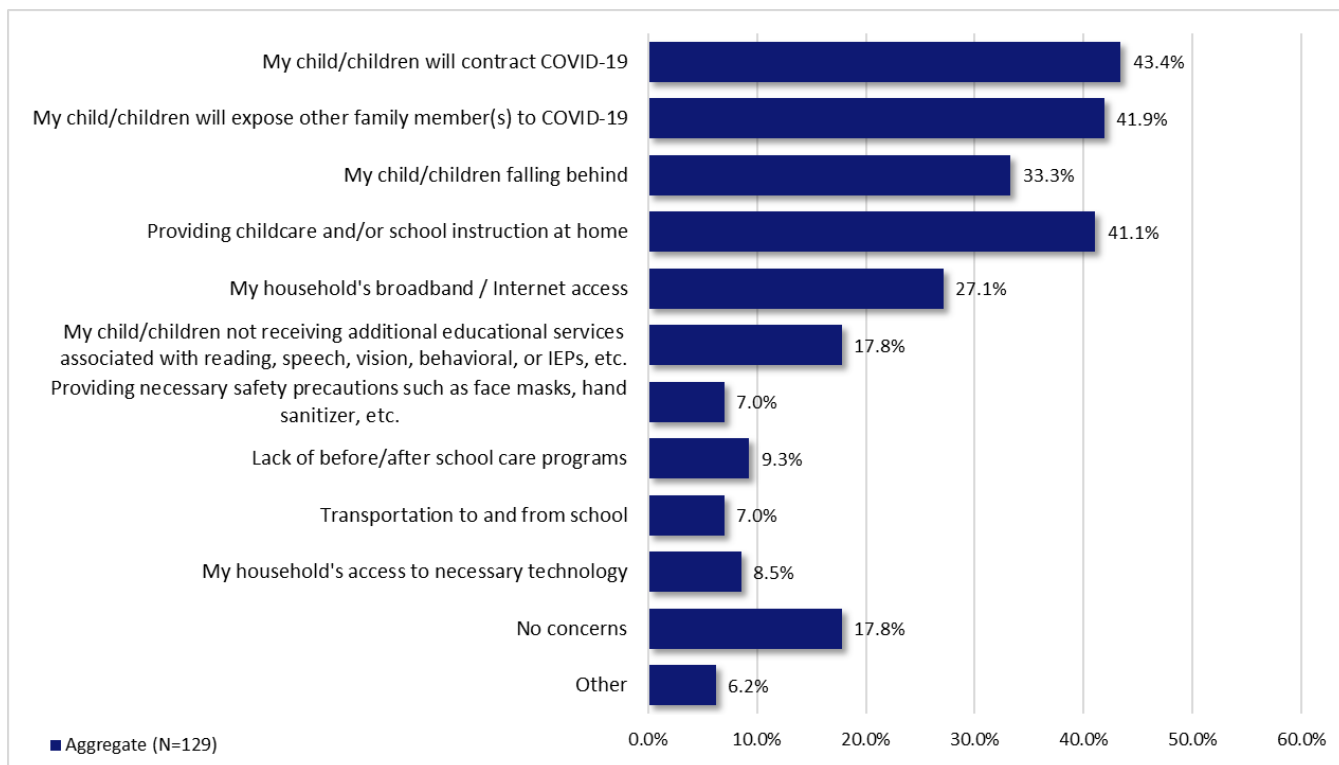
- Children too young/Not in school (9)
- 2 children 100% in school, 1 child Hybrid, 1 child 100% distance learning
- 80% in person, 20% remote
- Daycare
- HS damaged during Derecho storm so 11th grader was online for 3 weeks no back 100%
- In person preschool and in-home daycare
- One child in full time and one child homeschool
- Reduced hours



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Please mark any concerns below you have about your child’s/children’s upcoming school year and education.

Respondents are most concerned that their child/children will contract COVID-19 (43.4%), followed by their child/children exposing other family member(s) to COVID-19 (41.9%) and providing childcare and/or school instruction at home (41.1%). 17.8% of respondents reported that they have no concerns about their child’s/children/s upcoming school year and education.



Income Breakout:

	Aggregate (N=129)	Below FLP (N=9)	ALICE (N=20)	Sufficient (N=17)	Stable (N=27)	Very Stable (N=46)
My child/children will contract COVID-19	43.4%	22.2%	35.0%	35.3%	55.6%	43.5%
My child/children will expose other family member(s) to COVID-19	41.9%	33.3%	40.0%	35.3%	44.4%	41.3%
My child/children falling behind	33.3%	33.3%	45.0%	41.2%	18.5%	37.0%
Providing childcare and/or school instruction at home	41.1%	22.2%	50.0%	23.5%	37.0%	47.8%
My household's broadband / Internet access	27.1%	44.4%	40.0%	23.5%	18.5%	23.9%
My child/children not receiving additional educational services associated with reading, speech, vision, behavioral, or IEPs, etc.	17.8%	11.1%	35.0%	23.5%	7.4%	19.6%
Providing necessary safety precautions such as face masks, hand sanitizer, etc.	7.0%	0.0%	20.0%	17.6%	3.7%	0.0%
Lack of before/after school care programs	9.3%	33.3%	15.0%	5.9%	7.4%	6.5%
Transportation to and from school	7.0%	0.0%	10.0%	5.9%	7.4%	6.5%
My household's access to necessary technology	8.5%	22.2%	30.0%	0.0%	7.4%	2.2%
No concerns	17.8%	11.1%	25.0%	11.8%	29.6%	13.0%
Other	6.2%	7.6%	16.8%	14.3%	22.7%	38.7%

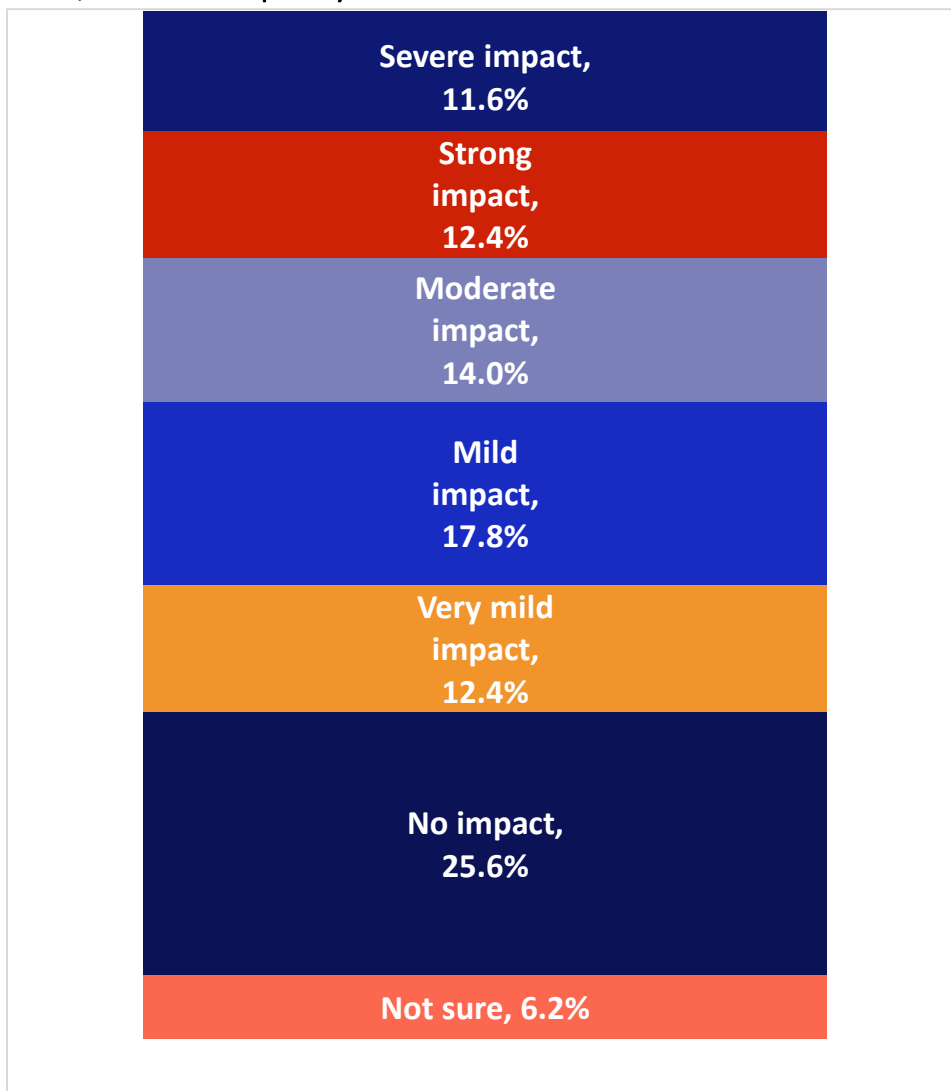


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Other reported upcoming school year/education concerns included:

- Childcare requirement on early outs. Impact if/when children are exposed to covid and have to quarantine.
- Constant screen time and low socialization
- N/A
- Not in school
- Over hype of the situation and lack of common Sense approach being overly burdensome and stressful in my children
- Psychological and social well-being
- Social developmental effects of mask wearing by daycare staff
- Socialization needs not being met by only allowing 50% in-person school

How would at least partial at home/distance/online instruction for your child/children impact your household’s financial situation?



25.6% of respondents reported partial at home/distance/online instruction for their child/children would have no impact on their household’s financial situation, while 24.0% reported a severe or strong impact. 17.8% of respondents reported a mild impact to their financial situation and 14.0% of respondents reported a moderate impact to their financial situation.

Income Breakout:

	Aggregate (N=129)	Below FLP (N=9)	ALICE (N=20)	Sufficient (N=17)	Stable (N=27)	Very Stable (N=46)
Severe impact	11.6%	33.3%	20.0%	11.8%	11.1%	2.2%
Strong impact	12.4%	22.2%	25.0%	17.6%	11.1%	4.3%
Moderate impact	14.0%	0.0%	5.0%	17.6%	25.9%	10.9%
Mild impact	17.8%	0.0%	15.0%	17.6%	18.5%	23.9%
Very mild impact	12.4%	11.1%	15.0%	0.0%	7.4%	17.4%
No impact	25.6%	33.3%	10.0%	23.5%	25.9%	34.8%
Not sure	6.2%	0.0%	10.0%	11.8%	0.0%	6.5%

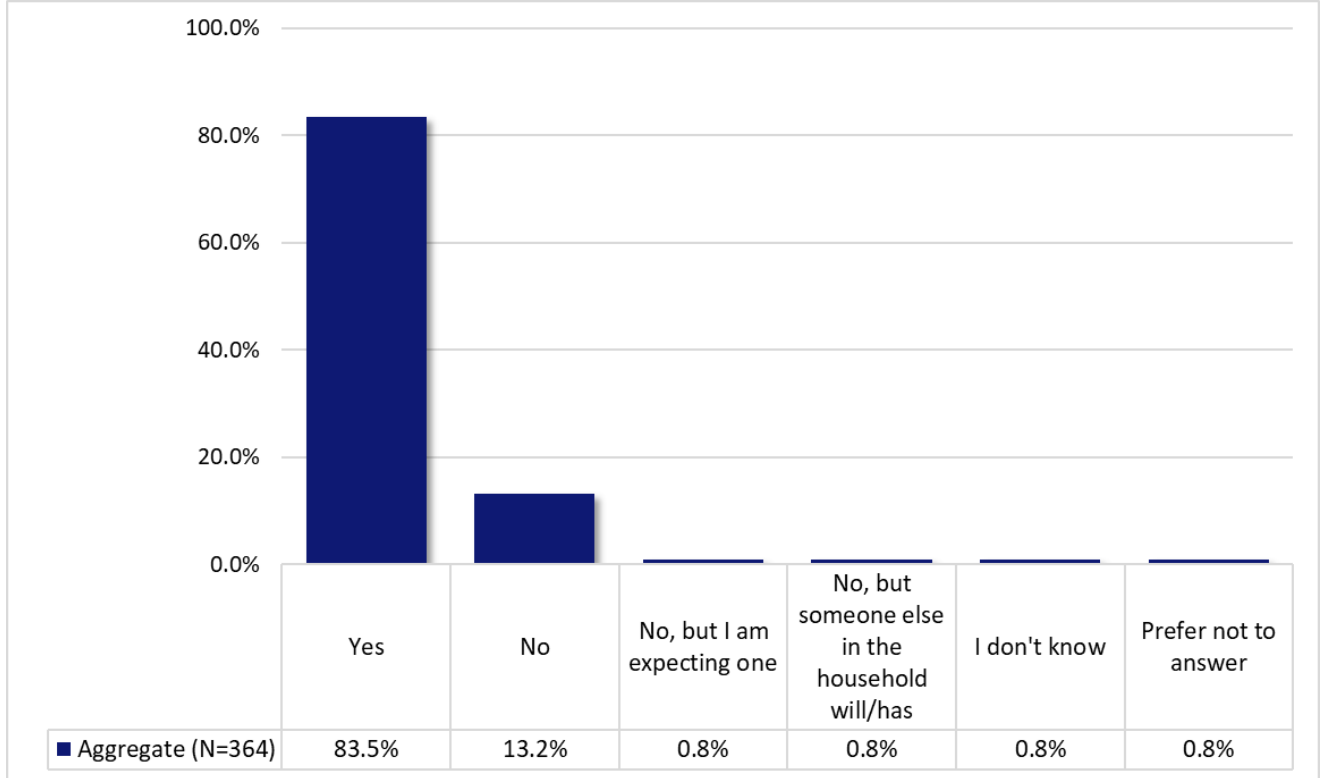


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Federal Stimulus Check Questions

Did you receive a stimulus payment from the federal government?

A majority of respondents received a stimulus payment from the federal government (83.5%).

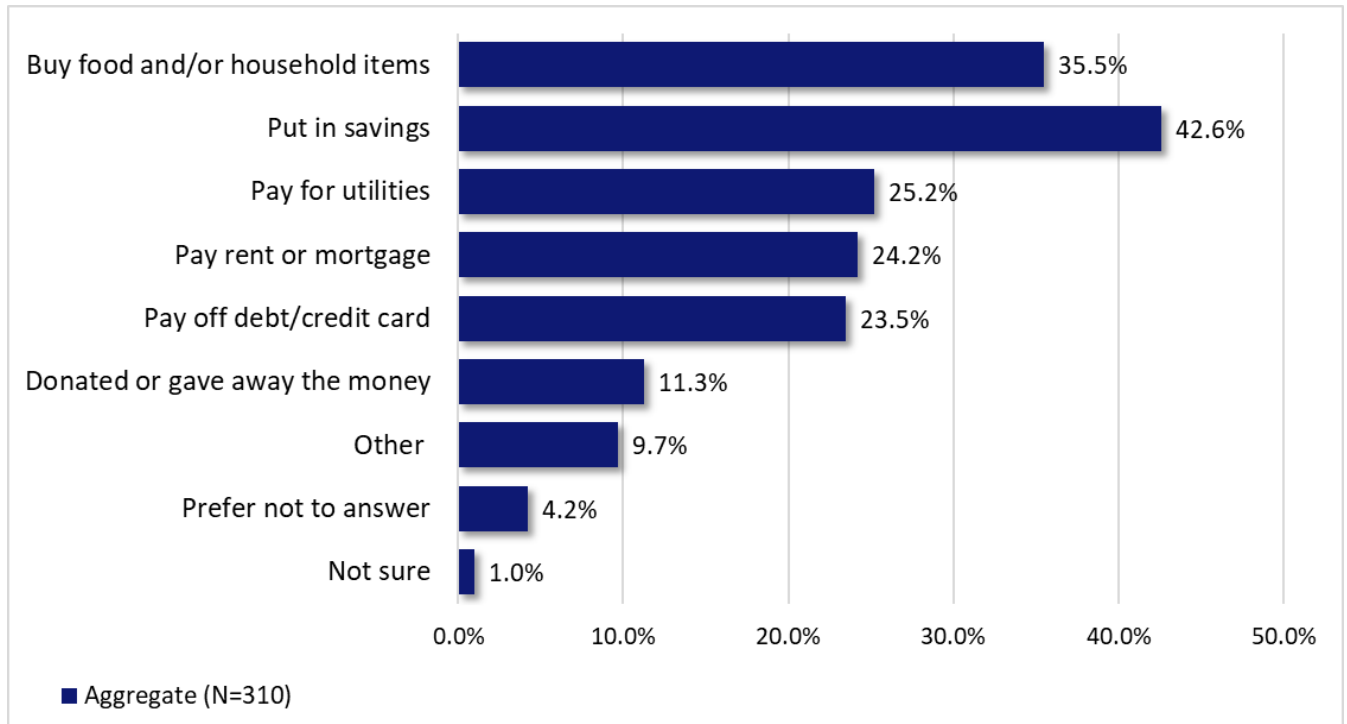


Income Breakout:

	Aggregate (N=364)	Below FLP (N=34)	ALICE (N=51)	Sufficient (N=59)	Stable (N=69)	Very Stable (N=128)
Yes	83.5%	79.4%	96.1%	91.5%	92.8%	72.7%
No	13.2%	14.7%	3.9%	3.4%	5.8%	23.4%
No, but I am expecting one	0.8%	2.9%	0.0%	1.7%	0.0%	0.8%
No, but someone else in the household will/has	0.8%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	1.4%	1.6%
I don't know	0.8%	2.9%	0.0%	1.7%	0.0%	0.8%
Prefer not to answer	0.8%	0.0%	0.0%	1.7%	0.0%	0.8%

If you received a stimulus payment from the government, how did you or do you plan to spend the money?

Over two-fifths of respondents did or will put the stimulus payment in their savings (42.6%). Over one-third did or will buy food and/or household items (35.5%), and one-fourth did or will pay rent or their mortgage (24.2%). 9.7% of respondents reported they plan to use or used the stimulus payment for other things.



Income Breakout:

	Aggregate (N=310)	Below FLP (N=28)	ALICE (N=49)	Sufficient (N=55)	Stable (N=65)	Very Stable (N=96)
Buy food and/or household items	35.5%	64.3%	46.9%	50.9%	27.7%	16.7%
Put in savings	42.6%	21.4%	30.6%	34.5%	49.2%	57.3%
Pay for utilities	25.2%	53.6%	42.9%	32.7%	18.5%	7.3%
Pay rent or mortgage	24.2%	60.7%	30.6%	32.7%	21.5%	8.3%
Pay off debt/credit card	23.5%	21.4%	32.7%	32.7%	23.1%	17.7%
Donated or gave away the money	11.3%	7.1%	4.1%	5.5%	13.8%	18.8%
Other	9.7%	10.7%	16.6%	18.6%	22.0%	32.5%
Prefer not to answer	4.2%	3.6%	0.0%	1.8%	7.7%	3.1%
Not sure	1.0%	0.0%	0.0%	1.8%	1.5%	1.0%

Other reported stimulus spending included:

- Bought 2 calves
- Bought stock
- Buy food and household items, and donated some
- Caught up past due bills
- Child care
- Computer for kids to do school

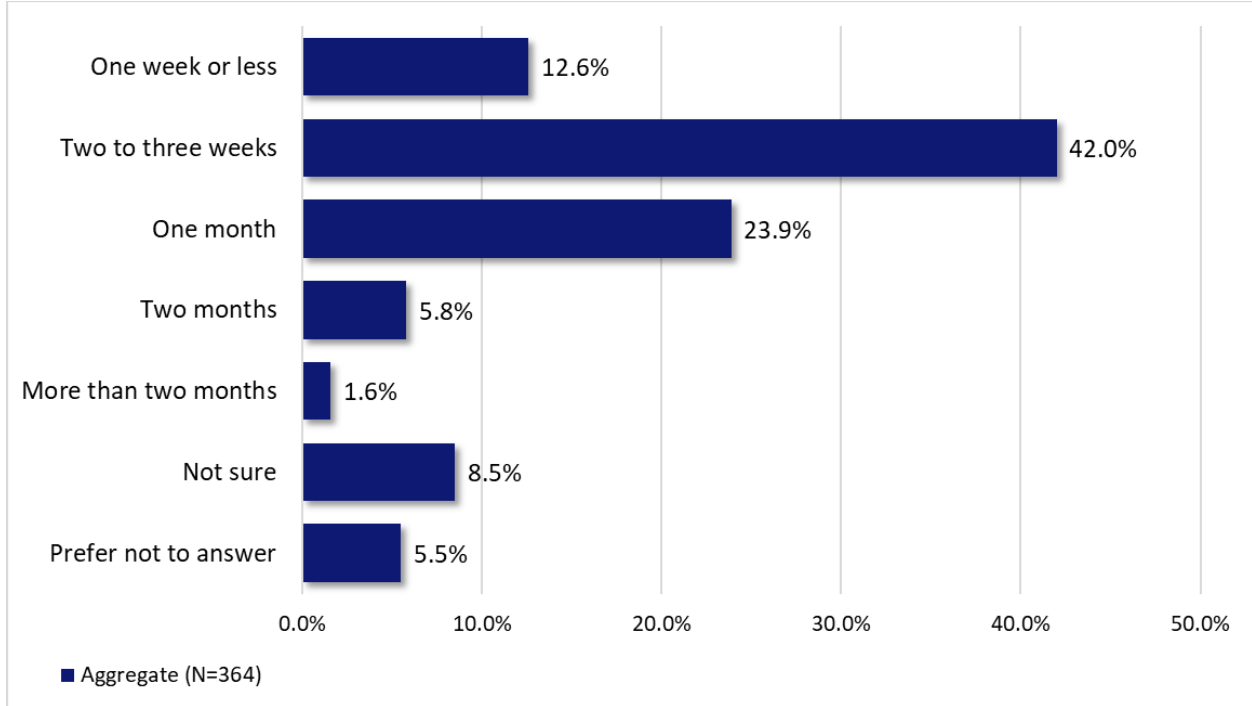


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- Computer for remote work
- Debt
- Deposited and used to pay bills of whatever sort as it was just part of our in/out
- Did home improvement projects
- Donated it
- Donated to others in need and paid for new health issues
- Fixed brakes on the car
- Help pay for school for child in college.
- Home repairs
- Invested in partial home renovation
- Lawn mower
- Made purchases
- Meals from local restaurants to help them
- Medical bills
- Did not receive (2)
- Paid for eyewear & computer upgrade
- Paid for part of windows
- Paid medical bills, bought needed appliances
- Paid mortgage beyond our typical monthly payment
- Paid off medical bills.
- Paid off some student loan debt
- Paid other bills
- Paid tax bill!
- Pay medical bills
- Purchased hearing aid
- Purchased vehicles
- Purchases that stimulate local economy & increase our home value
- Put into bank for months were income is less than expenses and use as needed to get through
- Sent money to federal candidates that will actually do something
- Spent at local businesses to keep that money in local community
- Still waiting to get it
- Went to child support
- Went towards unexpected need for new hvac system

How many weeks of expenses, on average, would a stimulus payment cover for your family/household?

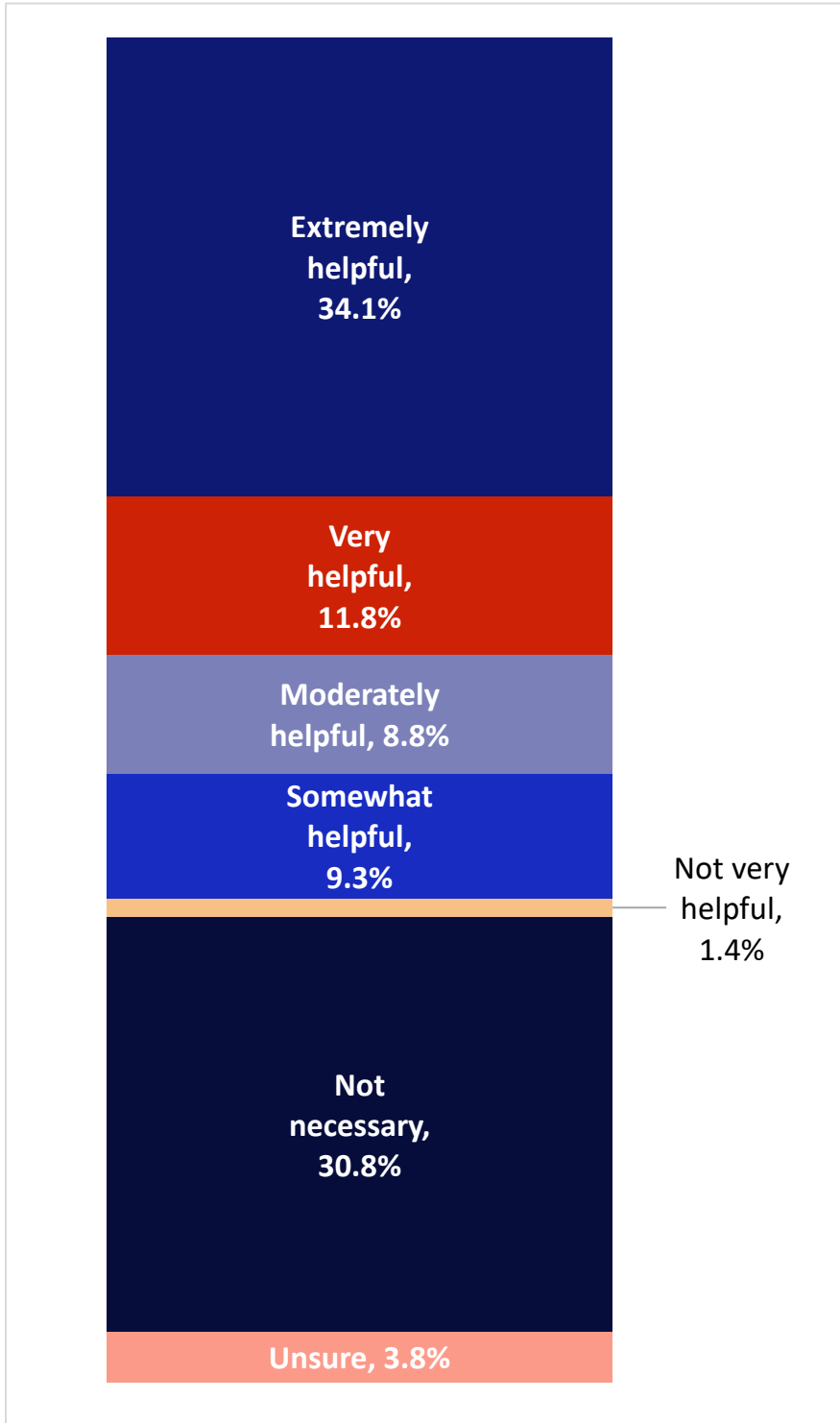
Over 60 percent of respondents reported a stimulus payment would cover two weeks to one month of their expenses. 12.6% reported a stimulus payment would cover one week or less of their expenses.



Income Breakout:

	Aggregate (N=364)	Below FLP (N=34)	ALICE (N=51)	Sufficient (N=59)	Stable (N=69)	Very Stable (N=128)
One week or less	12.6%	5.9%	2.0%	10.2%	14.5%	20.3%
Two to three weeks	42.0%	23.5%	49.0%	47.5%	42.0%	43.8%
One month	23.9%	29.4%	37.3%	25.4%	24.6%	16.4%
Two months	5.8%	20.6%	2.0%	5.1%	4.3%	4.7%
More than two months	1.6%	5.9%	2.0%	1.7%	1.4%	0.8%
Not sure	8.5%	8.8%	7.8%	5.1%	7.2%	8.6%
Prefer not to answer	5.5%	5.9%	0.0%	5.1%	5.8%	5.5%

How helpful would a second stimulus payment be for your household in meeting your expenses at this time?



64.0% of respondents reported that a second stimulus payment would be help their household meet expenses at this time. 1.4% reported it would not be very helpful, and 30.8% of respondents reported that a second stimulus payment is not necessary.



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Income Breakout:

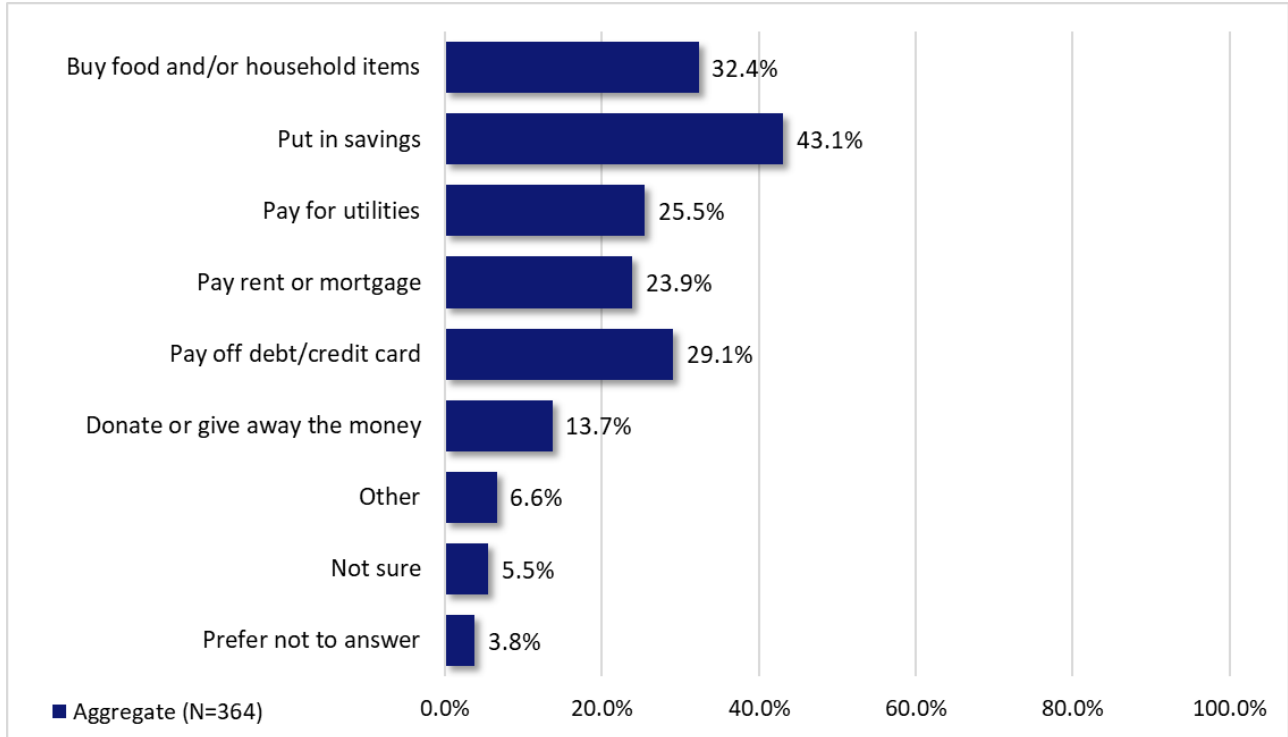
	Aggregate (N=364)	Below FLP (N=34)	ALICE (N=51)	Sufficient (N=59)	Stable (N=69)	Very Stable (N=128)
Extremely helpful	34.1%	73.5%	64.7%	37.3%	21.7%	14.1%
Very helpful	11.8%	14.7%	11.8%	15.3%	17.4%	7.8%
Moderately helpful	8.8%	0.0%	9.8%	13.6%	8.7%	10.2%
Somewhat helpful	9.3%	0.0%	5.9%	10.2%	11.6%	11.7%
Not very helpful	1.4%	0.0%	0.0%	3.4%	1.4%	1.6%
Not necessary	30.8%	5.9%	7.8%	15.3%	37.7%	49.2%
Unsure	3.8%	5.9%	0.0%	5.1%	1.4%	5.5%



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If you received a second check from the government, how would you plan to spend the money?

Over two-fifths of respondents would put the stimulus payment in their savings (43.1%). Roughly one-third would buy food and/or household items (32.4%), and almost 30 percent of respondents would pay off debt/credit card (29.1%). 6.6% of respondents reported they would use the stimulus payment for other things. 5.5% of respondents reported they would be not sure and 3.8% of respondents reported they would prefer not to answer.



Income Breakout:

	Aggregate (N=364)	Below FLP (N=34)	ALICE (N=51)	Sufficient (N=59)	Stable (N=69)	Very Stable (N=128)
Buy food and/or household items	32.4%	58.8%	51.0%	50.8%	17.4%	16.4%
Put in savings	43.1%	20.6%	39.2%	30.5%	56.5%	48.4%
Pay for utilities	25.5%	58.8%	51.0%	32.2%	18.8%	7.0%
Pay rent or mortgage	23.9%	58.8%	37.3%	28.8%	21.7%	8.6%
Pay off debt/credit card	29.1%	38.2%	41.2%	37.3%	26.1%	23.4%
Donate or give away the money	13.7%	8.8%	0.0%	11.9%	14.5%	22.7%
Other	6.6%	5.9%	9.8%	3.4%	7.2%	7.0%
Not sure	5.5%	0.0%	3.9%	5.1%	4.3%	7.8%
Prefer not to answer	3.8%	5.9%	0.0%	3.4%	2.9%	4.7%

Other reported second stimulus payment spending included:

- Buy second car
- Catch up past due bills
- Childcare expenses
- Did not qualify for first stimulus check
- Do not qualify for check
- Donate half, save half



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- Donate it
- Fix my vehicle
- Get better internet
- Have in the bank to give a little extra to each month's expenses so we don't go into debt (income is reduced right now because we are not allowed to do our self-employment due to COVID and can't file unemployment because it is an LLC)
- Home improvement work
- Kids college
- Make purchases
- Medical bills
- Did not receive (2)
- Nothing specific, added to bank, used for day to day expenses
- Order food from local restaurants
- Pay above and beyond our normal mortgage payment.
- Pay ahead on car loan
- Pay Covid loans
- Pay for \$50,000 repairs from derecho damage
- Pay for college expenses
- Pay medical bills
- Pay medical bills
- Pay off more bills
- Save in case of quarantine or reducing hours
- Savings for emergency expenses
- Spend at local establishments in the community
- Student loan
- Supplement income...husband retired living on savings and 1-salary
- Use for repairs needed
- Would not accept



Demographics

What is your 5-digit zip code?

Over half of the respondents live within the 50010 zip code (34.3%), followed by the 50014 zip code (18.4%), and 50201 zip code (12.1%).

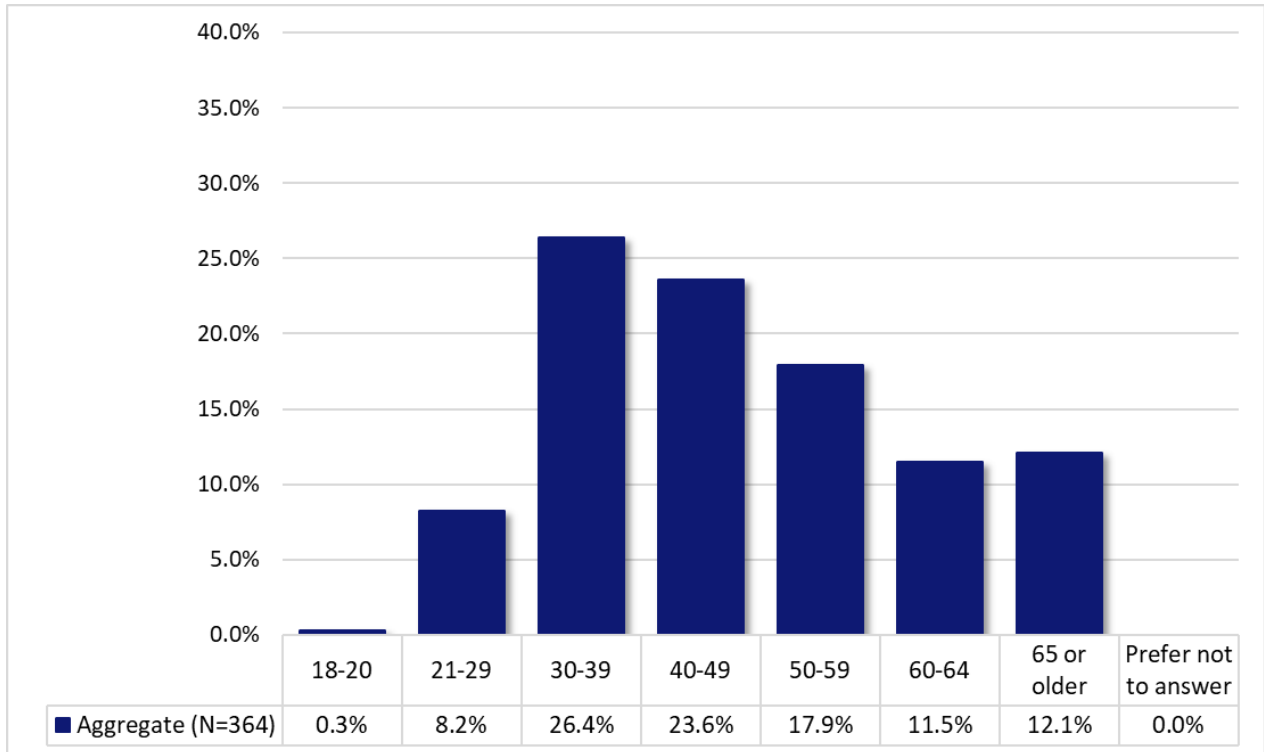
	Aggregate (N=364)
50010	34.3%
50012	0.3%
50014	18.4%
50046	1.4%
50055	7.4%
50056	3.6%
50105	1.4%
50124	4.4%
50134	0.5%
50161	9.1%
50201	12.1%
50236	0.6%
50244	0.8%
50248	5.2%
50278	0.5%



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Which category below includes your age?

67.9% of respondents were between the ages of 30 and 59.



Income Breakout:

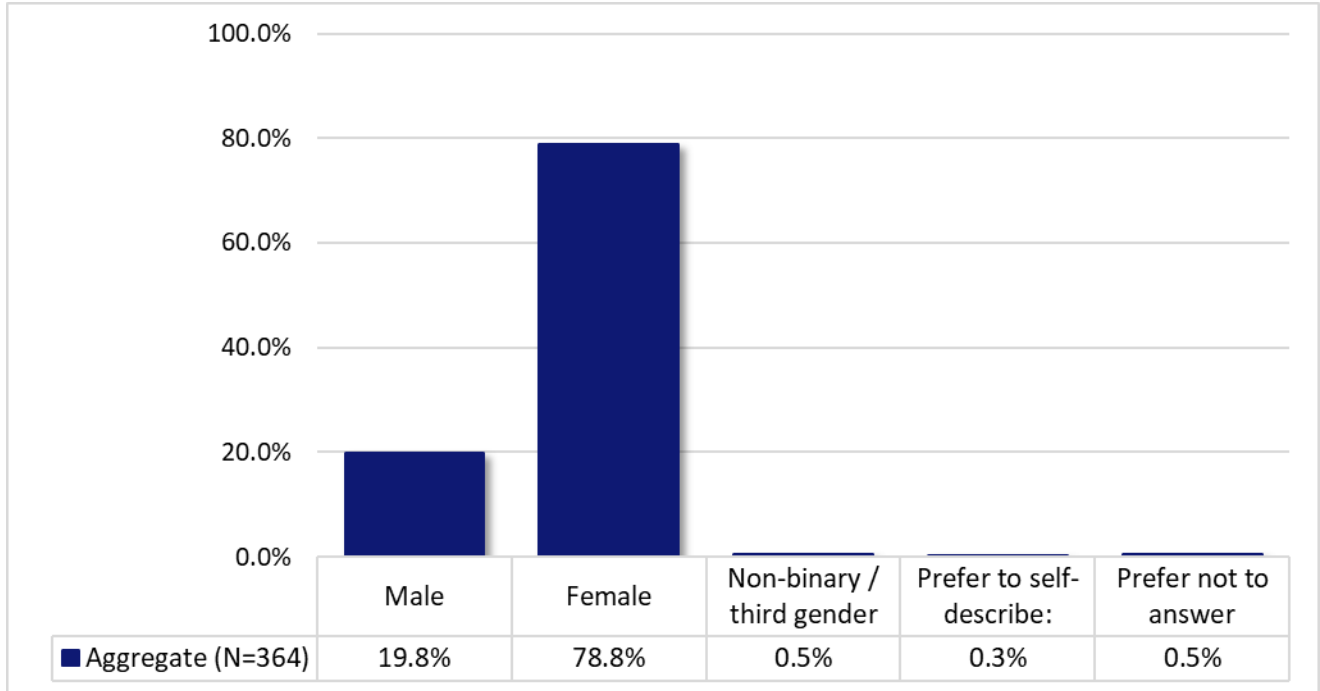
	Aggregate (N=364)	Below FLP (N=34)	ALICE (N=51)	Sufficient (N=59)	Stable (N=69)	Very Stable (N=128)
18-20	0.3%	0.0%	2.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
21-29	8.2%	20.6%	19.6%	10.2%	5.8%	0.8%
30-39	26.4%	26.5%	29.4%	25.4%	29.0%	24.2%
40-49	23.6%	11.8%	21.6%	27.1%	20.3%	28.9%
50-59	17.9%	17.6%	9.8%	6.8%	20.3%	23.4%
60-64	11.5%	2.9%	9.8%	18.6%	11.6%	11.7%
65 or older	12.1%	20.6%	7.8%	11.9%	13.0%	10.9%
Prefer not to answer	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%



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Which category below best describes your gender?

A majority of respondents was female (78.8%).



Income Breakout:

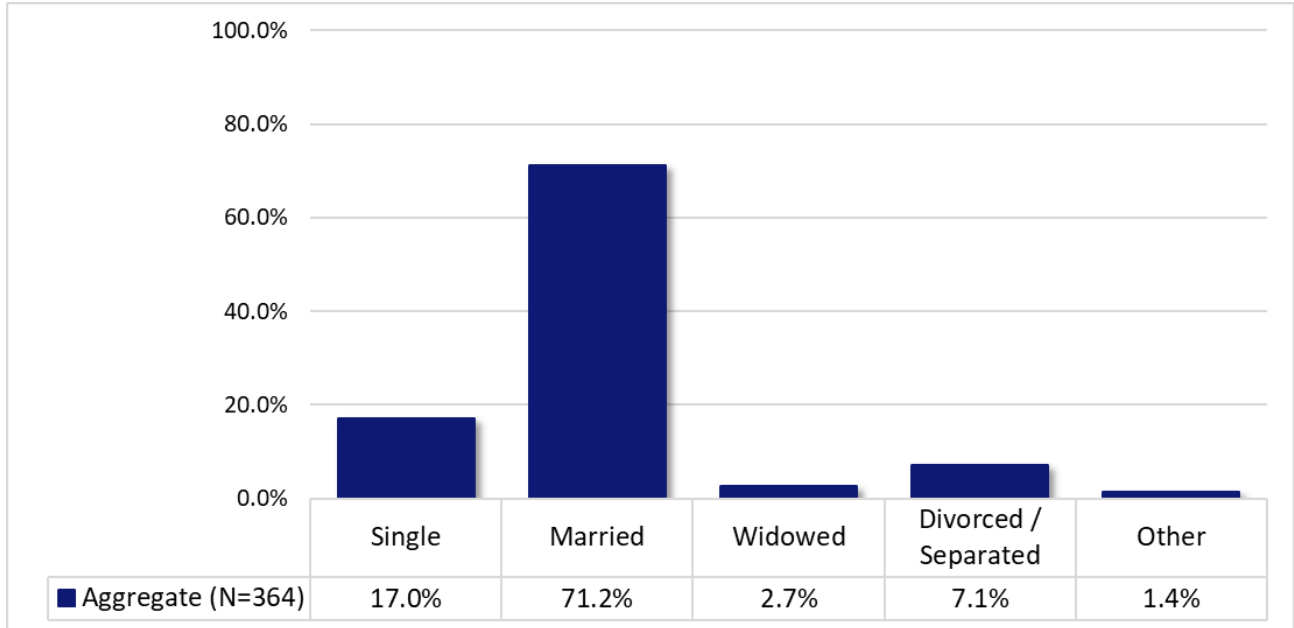
	Aggregate (N=364)	Below FLP (N=34)	ALICE (N=51)	Sufficient (N=59)	Stable (N=69)	Very Stable (N=128)
Male	19.8%	17.6%	17.6%	22.0%	15.9%	23.4%
Female	78.8%	79.4%	15.7%	16.8%	21.6%	35.8%
Non-binary / third gender	0.5%	2.9%	0.0%	1.7%	0.0%	0.0%
Prefer to self-describe:	0.3%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.8%
Prefer not to answer	0.5%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.8%



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Which of the following best describes your marital status?

A majority of respondents are married (71.2%).



Income Breakout:

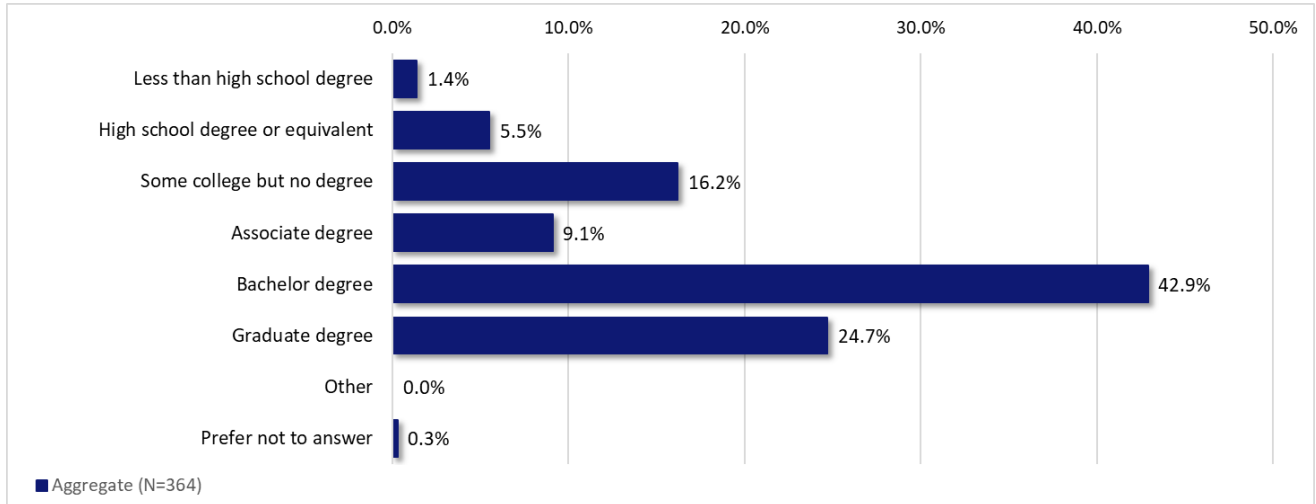
	Aggregate (N=364)	Below FLP (N=34)	ALICE (N=51)	Sufficient (N=59)	Stable (N=69)	Very Stable (N=128)
Single	17.0%	44.1%	45.1%	20.3%	5.8%	3.1%
Married	71.2%	23.5%	31.4%	62.7%	89.9%	93.0%
Widowed	2.7%	5.9%	5.9%	3.4%	2.9%	0.8%
Divorced / Separated	7.1%	17.6%	17.6%	11.9%	0.0%	2.3%
Other	1.4%	8.8%	0.0%	0.0%	20.0%	20.0%
Prefer not to answer	0.5%	0.0%	0.0%	1.7%	0.0%	0.0%



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What is the highest level of school you have completed or the highest degree you have received?

Three-fourths of respondents have a college degree (76.7%).

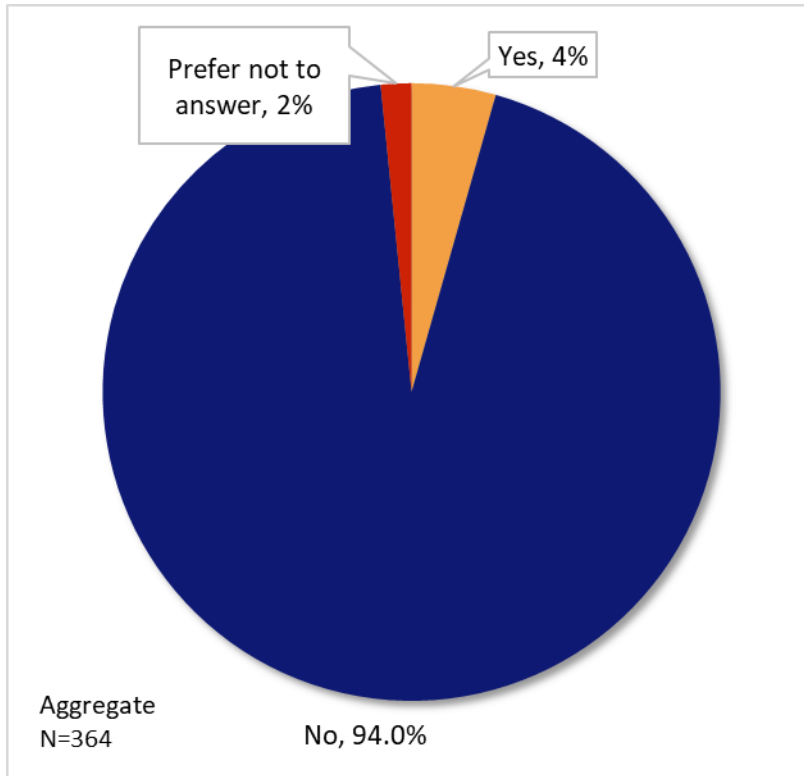


Income Breakout:

	Aggregate (N=364)	Below FLP (N=34)	ALICE (N=51)	Sufficient (N=59)	Stable (N=69)	Very Stable (N=128)
Less than high school degree	1.4%	8.8%	0.0%	1.7%	0.0%	0.0%
High school degree or equivalent	5.5%	14.7%	7.8%	6.8%	5.8%	2.3%
Some college but no degree	16.2%	26.5%	27.5%	25.4%	11.6%	6.3%
Associate degree	9.1%	14.7%	5.9%	10.2%	14.5%	3.9%
Bachelor degree	42.9%	23.5%	43.1%	42.4%	43.5%	51.6%
Graduate degree	24.7%	11.8%	15.7%	13.6%	24.6%	35.9%
Other	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Prefer not to answer	0.3%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%

Do you consider yourself to be Hispanic or Latino?

A majority of respondents are not Hispanic or Latino (94.0%).



Income Breakout:

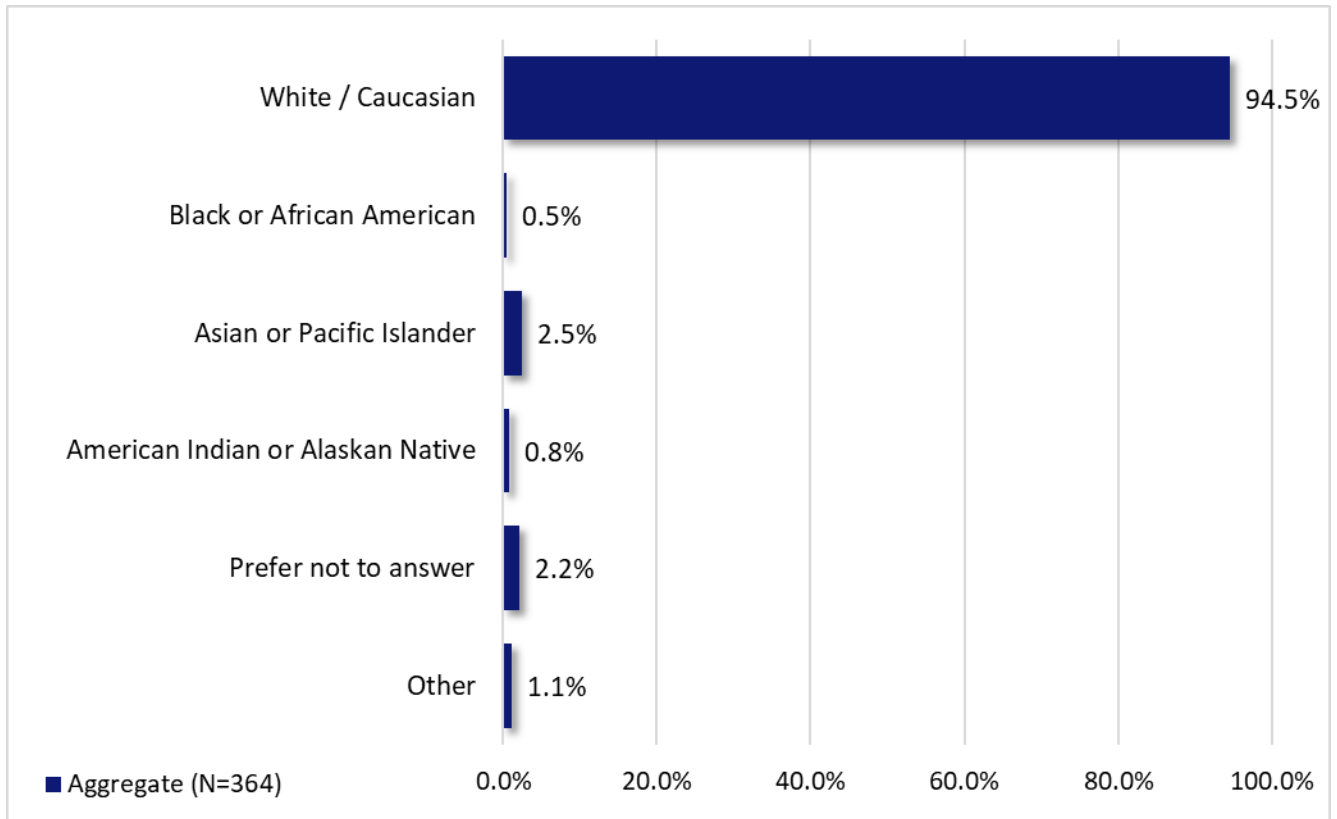
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Yes	4.4%	8.8%	9.8%	1.7%	2.9%	0.0%
No	94.0%	88.2%	88.2%	96.6%	97.1%	96.9%
Prefer not to answer	1.6%	2.9%	2.0%	1.7%	0.0%	0.8%



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Which of the following best describe your race/ethnicity?

A majority of respondents are White/Caucasian (94.5%).

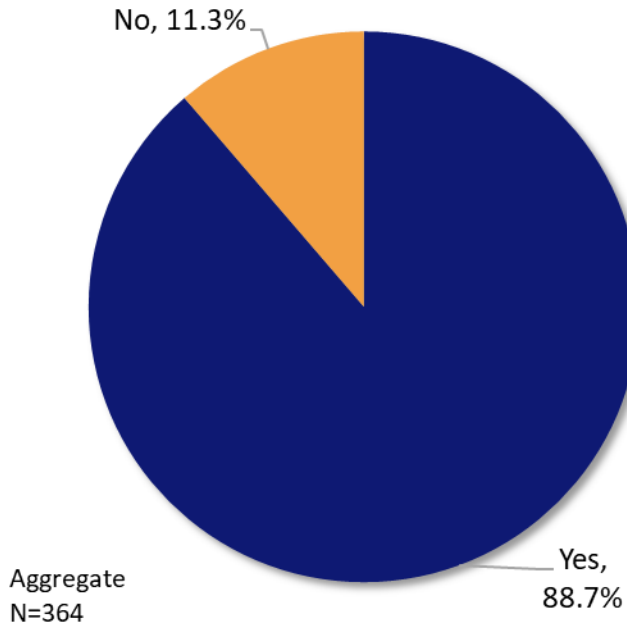


Income Breakout:

	Aggregate (N=364)	Below FLP (N=34)	ALICE (N=51)	Sufficient (N=59)	Stable (N=69)	Very Stable (N=128)
Other	1.1%	0.0%	0.0%	3.4%	0.0%	0.8%
Prefer not to answer	2.2%	8.8%	3.9%	0.0%	0.0%	1.6%
American Indian or Alaskan Native	0.8%	8.8%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.8%
Asian or Pacific Islander	2.5%	11.8%	0.0%	1.7%	1.4%	1.6%
Black or African American	0.5%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	1.4%	0.8%
White / Caucasian	94.5%	76.5%	96.1%	94.9%	98.6%	97.7%

Was your household impacted by the derecho?

88.7% of respondents were impacted by the derecho.



Income Breakout:

	Aggregate (N=364)	Below FLP (N=34)	ALICE (N=51)	Sufficient (N=59)	Stable (N=69)	Very Stable (N=128)
Yes	88.7%	88.2%	90.2%	94.9%	92.8%	85.9%
No	11.3%	11.8%	14.3%	8.6%	14.3%	51.4%



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Appendix A: Survey Cover Letter & Questions



September 28, 2020

Dear Fellow Iowans:

United Ways of Iowa brings together the power of Iowa's local United Way organizations and their communities to drive impact in education, financial stability and health. We are asking for your assistance to better understand the impacts of the COVID-19 (Coronavirus) pandemic and recovery on Iowa households.

We estimate the survey will take less than 10 minutes to complete. We know your time is valuable, but the few minutes you take to complete the questionnaire will provide essential feedback. Please return your completed questionnaire by **October 23, 2020** using the enclosed postage-paid envelope. The survey will be mailed to Strategic Marketing Services at the University of Northern Iowa, our research vendor. Surveys should NOT be mailed or returned to the United Way or any of our local community partners helping us distribute the survey. If you prefer, you can fill out the survey online at **www.sms.uni.edu/UW2020**.

While there are no direct benefits to you, the survey findings will help United Ways of Iowa and our local United Ways members in supporting Iowa families through long-term recovery and beyond. By participating in the survey, you may choose to enter a drawing for one of ten \$50 gift cards from your choice of HyVee, Fareway, Walmart or Casey's.

Your participation is 100% voluntary and confidential and there are no foreseeable risks to participate in this study. You may choose to discontinue participation at any time.

If you have any questions directly related to this survey, please contact Deann Cook at the United Ways of Iowa by email at exec@uwiowa.org or Christy Ryken at the University of Northern Iowa by email at christy.ryken@uni.edu. If you have any questions related to your rights as a research participant, please call UNI's Institutional Review Board at (319) 273-6148.

Thank you in advance for taking time to participate and help us better serve Iowans during this time. Your input is greatly appreciated!

Sincerely,

Deann Cook
Executive Director



If you have any questions directly related to this survey, email Christy Ryken at christy.ryken@uni.edu.

COVID Pandemic Concerns

Throughout the survey, please check the box or circle the number that corresponds with your response. Thank you!

1. What are your top 3 concerns about the upcoming weeks/months? (Check all that apply)

- A second wave of COVID-19 / re-closures
- Adequate child care and/or remote learning
- Affordable child care
- Attending church or other social gatherings
- Children's well-being
- Getting food and other necessities
- Medical issues other than COVID-19
- Mental health issue(s) (e.g., depression, addiction, anxiety)
- Paying other bills
- Paying rent/mortgage
- The economic welfare of my community
- Uncertainty of upcoming school year
- You or a loved one contracting COVID-19
- Other _____
- Not sure

2. Which of the following would make the most important difference to your household's finances at this time? (Check all that apply)

- Access to adequate child care
- Access to affordable child care
- Additional federal stimulus payment
- Assistance paying other bills
- Assistance paying rent/mortgage
- Extension of enhanced unemployment benefits
- Health insurance coverage
- New job opportunity for you or another adult in the household
- Paying health care bills relating to COVID-19
- Reinstatement of your job and/or a family member's job
- Tax cut
- Technology to assist with remote working and/or learning
- Other _____
- Nothing. We have no needs.
- Not sure

Household Income & Employment

3. Which one of the following industries did members of your household work in prior to March 16? (Check all that apply)

- Administrative Support and Waste Management and Remediation Services (includes administrative and support services, employment services, business support services, travel agencies, security services, janitorial services, landscaping services, waste management services)
- Accommodation and Food Services (includes hotels, bed and breakfasts, restaurants, bars, caterers, mobile food services, etc.)
- Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting (includes farming, crop production, animal production, fishing, etc.)
- Arts, Entertainment and Recreation (includes performing arts, sports and fitness companies and facilities, artists, writers, performers, museums, tourism and historical sites, casinos, etc.)
- Construction
- Educational Services (includes elementary and secondary schools, colleges and universities, technical and trade schools, and educational support services)
- Finance and Insurance
- Health Care and Social Assistance (includes doctors and dentist offices, hospitals and clinics, home health services, nursing care facilities, family services, child care services)
- Information (includes newspapers, movie and sound recording, telecommunications, data processing and hosting)
- Management of Companies and Enterprises
- Manufacturing
- Mining, Quarrying, and Oil and Gas Extraction
- Other Services (includes automotive repair and services, equipment repair, barber/beauty shops, funeral services, dry cleaning, churches and religious organizations, civic and social organizations, business and professional associations, and labor union organizations)
- Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services (includes legal services, accounting services, architectural and engineering services, computer system design services, consulting, etc.)
- Public Administration (includes local, state and federal governments and organizations)
- Real Estate and Rental and Leasing
- Retail Trade (includes auto dealers, furniture stores, hardware stores, grocery stores, pharmacies, gas stations/convenience stores, clothing or jewelry stores, florists, office supplies, etc.)
- Transportation and Warehousing
- Utilities
- Wholesale Trade (includes purchase or sale of goods for resale)
- Self-employed: _____
- Other: _____
- Not sure



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Household Income & Employment (continued)

4. What were the primary source(s) of income to meet your household expenses both before and since March 16? (Check all that apply)

	Before COVID-19 Pandemic	After COVID-19 Pandemic
Public Assistance	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Salary paid job for 35 hrs/wk or more	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Salary paid job for less than 35 hrs/wk	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Self-employed, contract/project or hourly paid job working less than 35 hrs/wk	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Self-employed, contract/project or hourly paid job working 35 hrs/wk or more	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Social security	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Unemployment checks	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other: _____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Prefer not to answer	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

5. What was your annual household income in 2019?

- Less than \$10,000 \$75,000 to \$99,999
- \$10,000 to \$14,999 \$100,000 to \$149,999
- \$15,000 to \$24,999 \$150,000 to \$199,999
- \$25,000 to \$34,999 \$200,000 and over
- \$35,000 to \$49,999 I prefer not to say
- \$50,000 to \$74,999 Not sure

6. Did your household experience a loss of income or unexpected expense as a direct result of COVID-19?

- Yes
- No
- Not sure

7. How long could/can you cover your basic bills from your savings both before and after COVID-19?

	Before COVID-19 Pandemic (March 16, 2020)	After COVID-19 Pandemic (March 16, 2020)
One week or less	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Two weeks	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Three weeks	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
One month	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Two months	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Three months	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Four or more months	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Not sure	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

8. How has the COVID pandemic impacted the working arrangements for your household? (Check all that apply)

	Head of Household	Others in Household
Have the same working arrangements	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Employer has reduced hours	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Employer has increased hours	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Shifted from working onsite to working remotely	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Became unemployed due to pandemic	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Recently returned to work	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Remain unemployed	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

9. Which of the following have you used or continue to use for meeting household needs as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic, if any? (Check all that apply)

- Assistance from a community organization/agency
- Borrowed from family or friends
- Food assistance (Food Stamps/SNAP)
- Food pantry/food bank
- Found a new way to make money (new job, gig, contract work)
- Increased balance on credit card
- Other government assistance
- Taken out a loan
- Unemployment
- Used personal savings
- Other: _____
- None of the above
- Not sure

10. Are you still receiving state unemployment payments? (Answer only if unemployment is selected in Q9)

- Yes No

11. What percentage of your monthly expenses does this payment cover? (Answer only if unemployment is selected in Q9)

- All expenses (100%) Most expenses (75%)
- Half of expenses (50%) Some (25%)
- Little or nothing (less than 25%)
- Not sure Prefer not to answer

12. How did your unemployment benefits (state plus additional \$600 federal benefit) compare to your regular (pre-COVID) pandemic wages? (Answer only if unemployment is selected in Q9)

- Less than regular wage About the same
- More than regular wage Not sure
- Prefer not to answer



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About the Household

13. How many members are a part of your household? (Please specify how many members in your household are in each age category)

- Children under 5, Adults 18 to 64, Children 5 to 12, Seniors 65 and over, Children 13 to 17

14. How would you describe your household?

- Living alone or with unrelated roommates, Married or cohabiting couple, Single female head of household, Single male head of household, Other, Prefer not to answer

15. Since March 16, 2020, has someone in your home called or texted 211 for information or help?

- Yes, No, Not sure

16. Have you purchased any of the following to adapt to a stay-at-home order and/or school closures? (Check all that apply)

- Computer/laptop, Internet subscription/upgrade, Mobile phone, Tablet, No, nothing was added, Other technology products

Federal Stimulus Check Questions
In March the Federal Government passed a COVID-19 stimulus bill. It provided a stimulus payment for many Americans. The amounts were up to \$1,200 per adult and \$500 per child. This next set of questions are about that check, debit card or direct deposit.

17. Did you receive a stimulus payment from the federal government?

- Yes, No (Skip to question 19), No, but I am expecting one, No, but someone else in the household will/has, I don't know (Skip to question 19), Prefer not to answer (Skip to question 19)

18. If you received a stimulus payment from the government, how did you or do you plan to spend the money? (Check all that apply)

- Buy food and/or household items, Donated or gave away the money, Pay for utilities, Pay rent or mortgage, Put in savings, Other, Not sure, Prefer not to answer

19. How many weeks of expenses, on average, would a stimulus payment cover for your family/household?

- One week or less, More than two months, Two to three weeks, Not sure, One month, Prefer not to answer, Two months

20. How helpful would a second stimulus payment be for your household in meeting your expenses at this time?

- Extremely helpful, Very helpful, Moderately helpful, Somewhat helpful, Not very helpful, Not necessary, Unsure

21. If you received a second check from the government, how would you plan to spend the money? (Check all that apply)

- Buy food and/or household items, Donate or give away the money, Pay for utilities, Pay off debt/credit card, Pay rent or mortgage, Put in savings, Other, Not sure, Prefer not to answer



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Children Related Questions

Please only answer this set of questions if your household reported children under 17 years of age in question 13.

22. Which of the following childcare arrangements did your household utilize for each of the three time periods shown below? (Check all that apply for your household for each time period)

Table with 4 columns: Arrangement, Before COVID-19 Pandemic (March 16, 2020), During COVID-19 Pandemic (March 16 to July 31, 2020), Now | Currently. Rows include At-home child care provider, Child care center, Friend or relative, Head Start or Early Head Start program, In-home child care, Iowa's Childcare Assistance program, School based program, Other, Not sure, None of these.

23. How have your childcare arrangements impacted your household's income/ability to work for the following three time periods shown below?

Table with 4 columns: Impact, Before COVID-19 Pandemic (March 16, 2020), During COVID-19 Pandemic (March 16 to July 31, 2020), Now | Currently. Rows include No impact (working similar hours with same child care arrangement), Not able to work due to child care issues, Working reduced hours due to child care issues, Working similar hours with new in-home child care (self, household member), Working similar hours with a new outside of the home child care provider, Other, Not sure.

24. Which of the following best describes your child's/children's return to school plan at this time?

- 100% in-person instruction at school
Hybrid—roughly half in-person instruction at school and half at-home/distance/online instruction provided by school district
100% at-home/distance/online instruction provided by school district
100% homeschooling provided by parent or other resource
Other:
Unsure

25. Please mark any concerns below you have about your child's/children's current school year and education. (Check all that apply)

- Lack of before/after school care programs
My child/children falling behind
My child/children not receiving additional educational services associated with reading, speech, vision, behavioral, or IEPs (Individual Educational Plans), etc.
My child/children will contract COVID-19
My child/children will expose other family members to COVID-19
My household's access to necessary technology (laptops, tablets, etc.)
My household's broadband / Internet access
Providing child care and/or school instruction at home
Providing necessary safety precautions such as face masks, hand sanitizer, etc.
Transportation to and from school
Other:
No concerns

26. How would at least partial at-home/distance/online instruction for your child/children impact your household's financial situation?

- Severe impact
Strong impact
Moderate impact
Mild impact
Very mild impact
No impact
Not sure

Demographics

27. What is your 5-digit zip code?

28. Which category below includes your age?

- 18 to 20
- 21 to 29
- 30 to 39
- 40 to 49
- 50 to 59
- 60 to 64
- 65 or older
- Prefer not to answer

29. Which category below best describes your gender?

- Male
- Female
- Non-binary / third gender
- Prefer to self-describe: _____
- Prefer not to answer

30. Which of the following best describes your marital status?

- Single
- Married
- Widowed
- Divorced / Separated
- Other: _____
- Prefer not to answer

31. What is the highest level of school you have completed or the highest degree you have received?

- Less than high school degree
- High school degree or equivalent (e.g., GED)
- Some college but no degree
- Associate degree
- Bachelor degree
- Graduate degree
- Other: _____
- Prefer not to answer

32. Do you consider yourself to be Hispanic or Latino?

- Yes
- No
- Prefer not to answer

33. Which of the following best describes your ethnicity?

(Check all that apply)

- American Indian or Alaskan Native
- Asian or Pacific Islander
- Black or African American
- White / Caucasian
- Other: _____
- Prefer not to answer

34. Was your household impacted by the derecho that took place in Iowa on August 10th (i.e. loss of power, property damage, employment impact)?

- Yes
- No

Drawing

Thank you for your time and participation. If you wish to be entered in a drawing for a chance to win one of ten \$50 gift cards from your choice of HyVee, Fareway, Walmart or Casey's, please enter your name, phone number, or email below. Please note, all contact information will be held in strict confidence and not be used for any other purpose. Once winners are notified all contact information will be destroyed.

Name: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email Address: _____

