

## Topline questionnaire

**2020 PEW RESEARCH CENTER'S AMERICAN TRENDS PANEL  
WAVE 65 APRIL 2020  
FINAL TOPLINE  
APRIL 7-12, 2020  
TOTAL N=4,917**

**THE QUESTIONS PRESENTED BELOW ARE PART OF A LARGER SURVEY CONDUCTED ON THE AMERICAN TRENDS PANEL. OTHER QUESTIONS ON THIS SURVEY HAVE BEEN PREVIOUSLY RELEASED OR HELD FOR FUTURE RELEASE.**

**NOTE: ALL NUMBERS ARE PERCENTAGES UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED. THE PERCENTAGES LESS THAN 0.5% ARE REPLACED BY AN ASTERISK (\*). ROWS/COLUMNS MAY NOT TOTAL 100% DUE TO ROUNDING.**

	<b>Sample size</b>	<b>Margin of error at 95% confidence level</b>
U.S. adults	4,917	+/- 2.1 percentage points

**ASK ALL:**

COVIDSCHL1 Do you think K-12 schools have a responsibility to provide students with laptop or tablet computers in order to help them complete their schoolwork at home during the coronavirus outbreak?

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37	Yes, schools have this responsibility to all students
43	Yes, schools have this responsibility, but only for students whose family cannot afford it
19	No, schools do not have this responsibility
1	No answer

**ASK ALL:**

PARENTK12 Are you a parent or guardian of any children who are now enrolled in elementary, middle or high school and who live in your household?

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24	Yes
76	No
*	No answer

**ASK IF PARENT/GUARDIAN OF K-12 STUDENT (PARENTK12=1) [N=1,139]:**

COVIDSCHL2 Are your children's schools currently closed due to the coronavirus outbreak?

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94	Yes, school is closed
2	No, school is not closed but I expect that it will close
1	No, school is not closed and I do not expect that it will close
3	My children are homeschooled
*	No answer

**ASK IF CHILDREN'S SCHOOL IS CLOSED (COVIDSCHL2=1): [N=1,079]:**COVIDSCHL7 As your children do their schoolwork at home due to the coronavirus outbreak, how likely, if at all, is it that they will... **[RANDOMIZE ITEMS]**

		<u>Very likely</u>	<u>Somewhat likely</u>	<u>Not too likely</u>	<u>Not at all likely</u>	<u>No answer</u>
a.	Have to use public Wi-Fi to finish their schoolwork because there is not a reliable internet connection at home Apr 7-12, 2020	11	11	16	61	1
b.	Not be able to complete their schoolwork because they do not have access to a computer at home Apr 7-12, 2020	9	11	16	62	1
c.	Have to do their schoolwork on a cellphone Apr 7-12, 2020	14	15	21	49	1

**ASK ALL:**

COVWEBSOC Overall, when you add up all the advantages and disadvantages of the internet, would you say the internet has mostly been a good thing or a bad thing for... **[RANDOMIZE ITEMS]**

		<u>Good thing</u>	<u>Bad thing</u>	<u>No answer</u>
a.	Society Apr 7-12, 2020	78	21	1
b.	You, personally Apr 7-12, 2020	90	10	1

**ASK ALL:**

COVINTESS How important, if at all, has the internet been for YOU PERSONALLY during the coronavirus outbreak?

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53	Essential
34	Important, but not essential
10	Not too important
3	Not at all important
*	No answer

**ASK ALL:**

COVDIGGOV Do you think the federal government has a responsibility to ensure that all Americans have each of the following during the coronavirus outbreak? **[RANDOMIZE ITEMS a-b]**

		<u>Yes, the federal government has this responsibility</u>	<u>No, the federal government does not have this responsibility</u>	<u>No answer</u>
a.	High-speed internet connection at home Apr 7-12, 2020	37	62	1
b.	Cellphone services Apr 7-12, 2020	34	65	1

**ASK ALL:**

COVPAYTECH How much, if at all, do you worry about being able to pay for each of the following over the next few months? **[RANDOMIZE ITEMS]**

	<u>A lot</u>	<u>Some</u>	<u>Not too much</u>	<u>Not at all</u>	<u>No answer</u>
<b>ASK IF HAS HIGHER SPEED BROADBAND SERVICES (BBHOME1=2) [N=4,460]:</b>					
a. High-speed internet connection at home					
Apr 7-12, 2020	9	19	28	44	*
<b>ASK IF HAS A SMARTPHONE (SMARTPHONE=1)[N=4,569]:</b>					
b. Your cellphone bill					
Apr 7-12, 2020	11	18	27	43	*