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RESPONDENTS

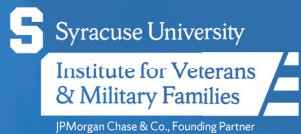
Blue Star Families' annual Military Family Lifestyle Survey provides a comprehensive understanding of what it means to serve as a military family.

This infographic represents a geographic cross-section of 2020 MFLS data, which includes active-duty families, Veteran families, National Guard families, and Reserve families. When referencing this data, please consider the following sample demographics:

- 79% are white, non-Hispanic
- 77% are female
- 42% are active-duty spouses, 23% are Veterans, 15% are Veteran spouses, and 9% are active-duty service members
- 63% are enlisted ranks
- 59% are affiliated with the Air Force, 26% Army, 7% Navy, 4% Marine Corps, and 3% Coast Guard
- The average age of respondents is 42
- 90% have children
- 41% are unpaid caregivers



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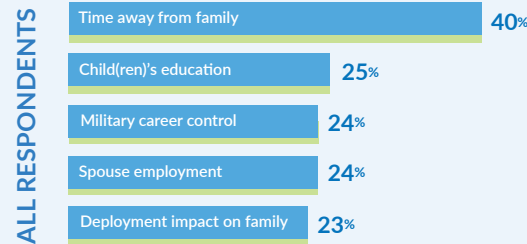


2020 OHIO RESULTS



2020 MILITARY FAMILY LIFESTYLE SURVEY

Top Lifestyle Issues (n=219)

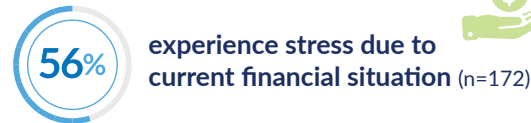


Top Lifestyle Stressors (n=217)



"During your time associated with the military, what are/were the biggest stressor(s) in your family?"

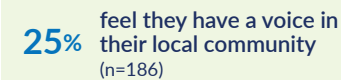
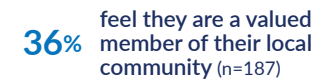
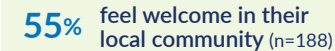
FINANCIAL READINESS



Top contributors to current financial stress (n=95)



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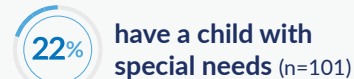
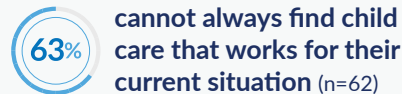


SPOUSE EMPLOYMENT*

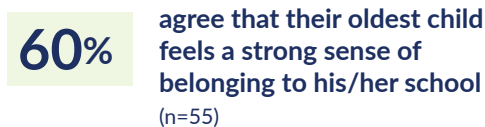
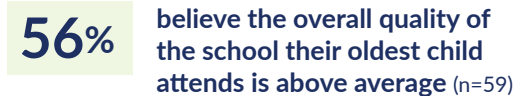
Are you currently employed? (n=69)



CHILDREN**

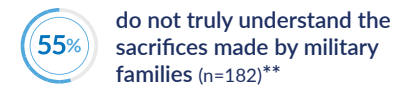


K-12 EDUCATION**

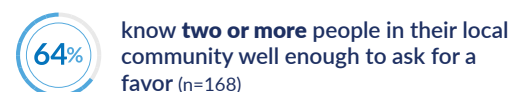
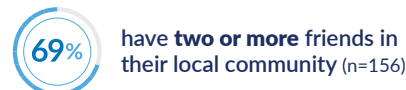


LOCAL COMMUNITY

Ohio respondents believe their local communities:



LOCAL CONNECTIONS



n = total responses to each question

*Active-duty spouses who are not also an active-duty service member

**Only asked of currently serving families

MILITARY CHILDREN'S EDUCATION**

Method of delivery for oldest child (n=67)



Online/Virtual



In-Person



Hybrid



Other

43% believe COVID-19 has made their child(ren)'s education worse (n=83)

EMPLOYMENT

To what degrees did COVID-19 impact your employment situation?

Active-duty spouses (n=63)

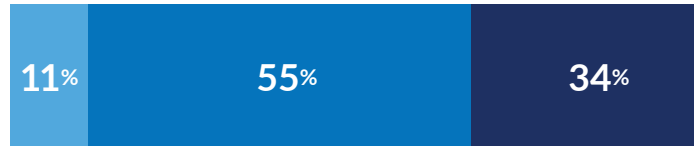


■ Better ■ No change ■ Worse

FINANCES

To what degree did COVID-19 impact your personal financial situation?

Active-duty, National Guard, Reserve, and Veteran Families (n=151)



■ Better ■ No change ■ Worse

HEALTH AND MENTAL HEALTH



believe COVID-19 has made their mental health worse (n=149)



believe COVID-19 has made their child(ren)'s mental health worse (n=123)



believe COVID-19 has made their personal health worse (n=152)

OVERALL TAKEAWAYS

The majority of Ohio respondents report experiencing financial stress.

Only half (55%) of Ohio respondent families feel welcome in their community.

Nearly half (43%) of Ohio currently serving military families believe that COVID-19 made their child(ren)'s education worse.

Finding child care is a challenge for the majority (63%) of Ohio military families with children.

Over a third (38%) of Ohio active-duty spouse respondents report COVID-19 worsened their employment situation.



Questions about the annual Military Family Lifestyle Survey and how you can offer support? Contact survey@bluestarfam.org

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