

Information and Technology for Better Decision Making

August 2004 Status of Forces Survey of Active-Duty Members

Overview Briefing





Briefing Overview

Introduction

- Leading indicators and related items
- Member's health
- Compensation
- Transition Assistance Programs
- Major findings

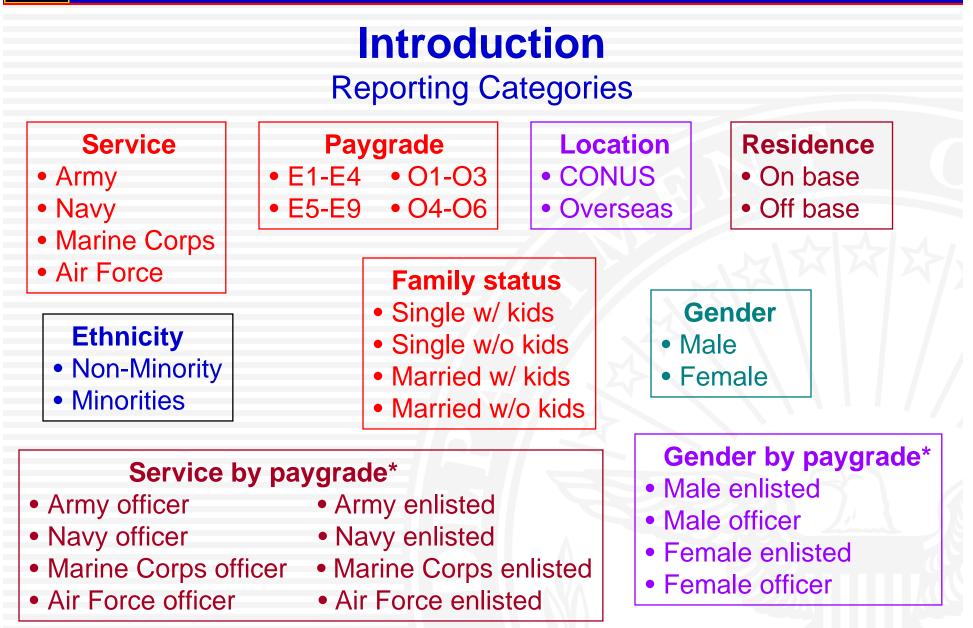
Introduction

- Web-based, active-duty survey fielded July 26 September 2, 2004
- 38K Service members surveyed, weighted response rate of 40%
 - High quality data achieved (margins of error generally within +/-5 percentage points)
- Briefing includes the following:
 - Graphic displays of overall results
 - Tables showing results by reporting categories, e.g., Services and gender
 - Statistical tests used to compare each subgroup to its respective "all other" group, i.e., to all others not in the subgroup
 - Results of statistical tests shown by color coding
 - Graphic displays of trends (when available)
 - Summary of key findings

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Introduction

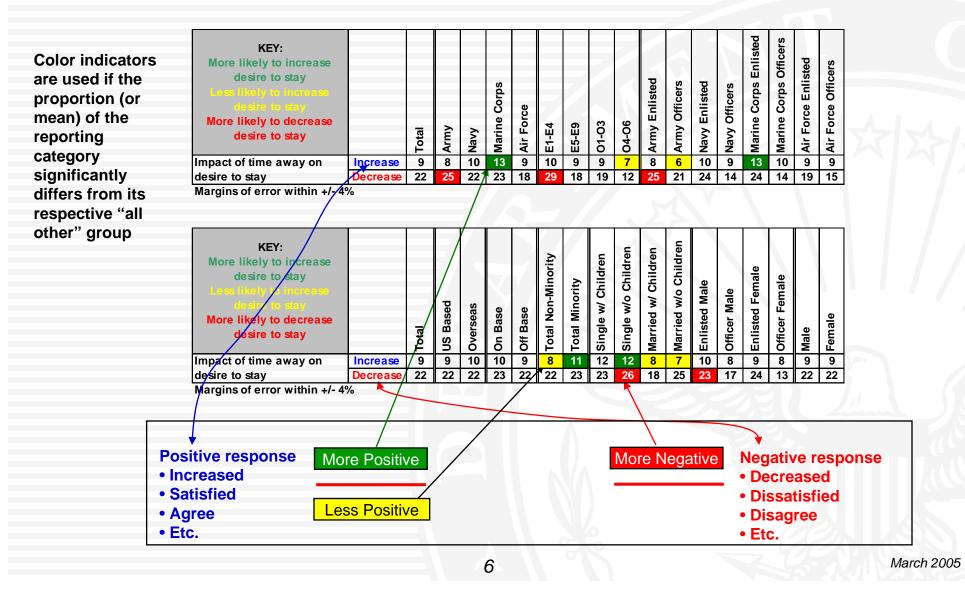
- Trend data are shown by Service and paygrade groups for items also included in:
 - April 2004 Status of Forces Survey of Active-Duty Members
 - Web survey
 - 33K Service members surveyed; weighted response rate of 39%
 - November 2003 Status of Forces Survey of Active-Duty Members
 - Web survey
 - 33K Service members surveyed; weighted response rate of 38%
 - July 2003 Status of Forces Survey of Active-Duty Members
 - Web survey
 - 32K Service members surveyed; weighted response rate of 35%
 - March 2003 Status of Forces Survey of Active-Duty Members
 - Web survey
 - 35K Service members surveyed; weighted response rate of 35%
 - July 2002 Status of Forces Survey of Active-Duty Members
 - Web survey
 - 38K Service members surveyed; weighted response rate of 32%
 - 1999 Active-Duty Survey
 - Paper-and-pencil survey
 - 66K Service and Coast Guard members surveyed; weighted response rate of 52%
 - Since active-duty SOFS excludes Coast Guard and Reservists on active duty, these members were excluded from 1999 dataset
- Statistical tests were used to compare August 2004 results with 1 year ago (July 2003) and the previous survey administration (April 2004)



* Subgroup differences are not included if all subgroups (e.g., Army officer, Army enlisted) of an overall group (e.g., Army) would have been included and the overall finding is already mentioned.

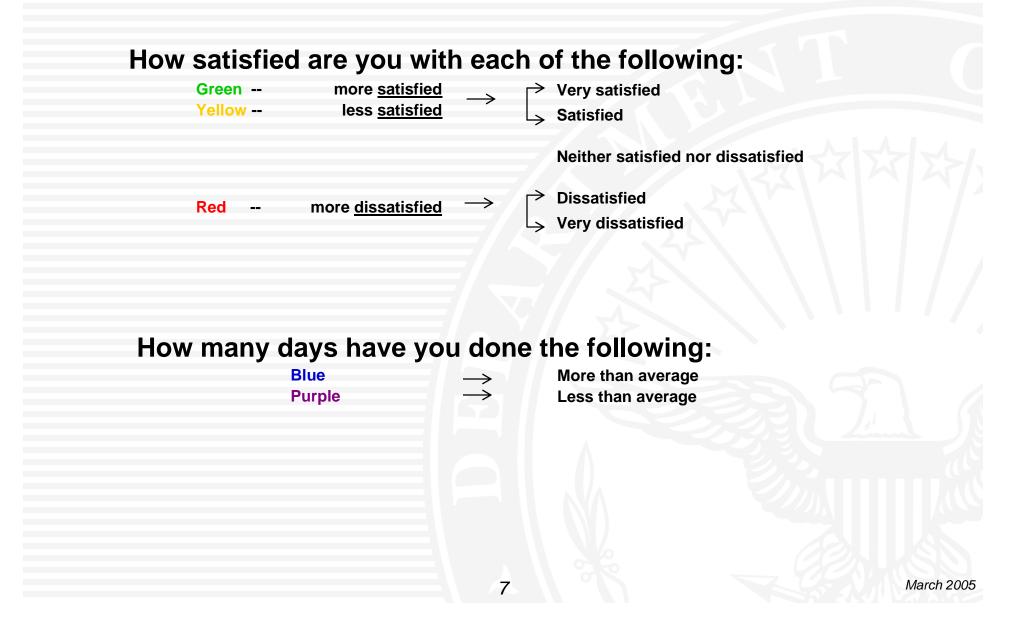
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To Tables Showing Results of Reporting Categories



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Examples of Color Indicators on Tables of Results by Reporting Categories



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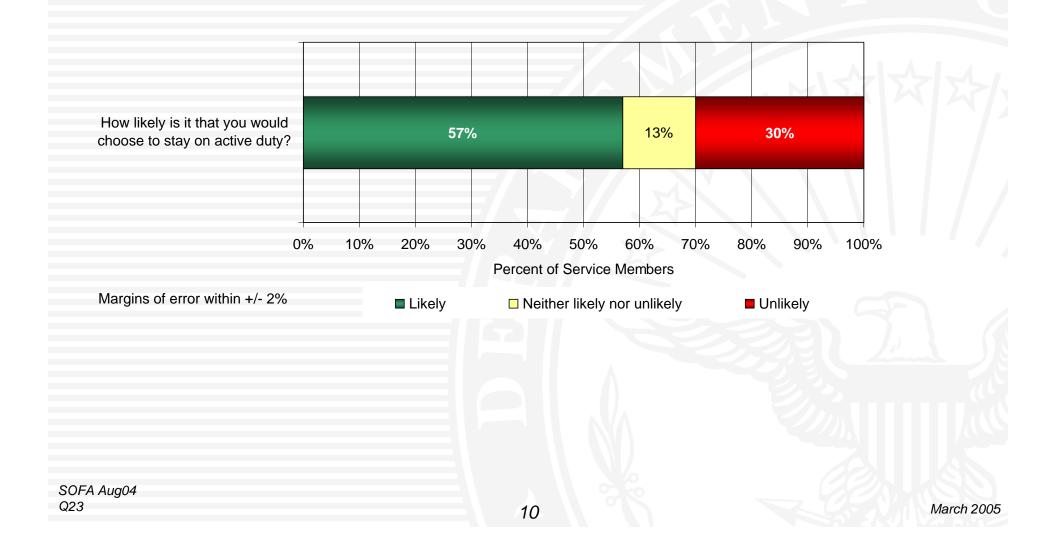
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Leading Indicators and Related Items

Retention

- Detailed retention
- Satisfaction
 - Detailed satisfaction
- Tempo
 - Global War on Terrorism
 - Deployments and assignments
- Personal and work stress
- Personal and unit preparedness

Likelihood To Stay on Active Duty All Service Members



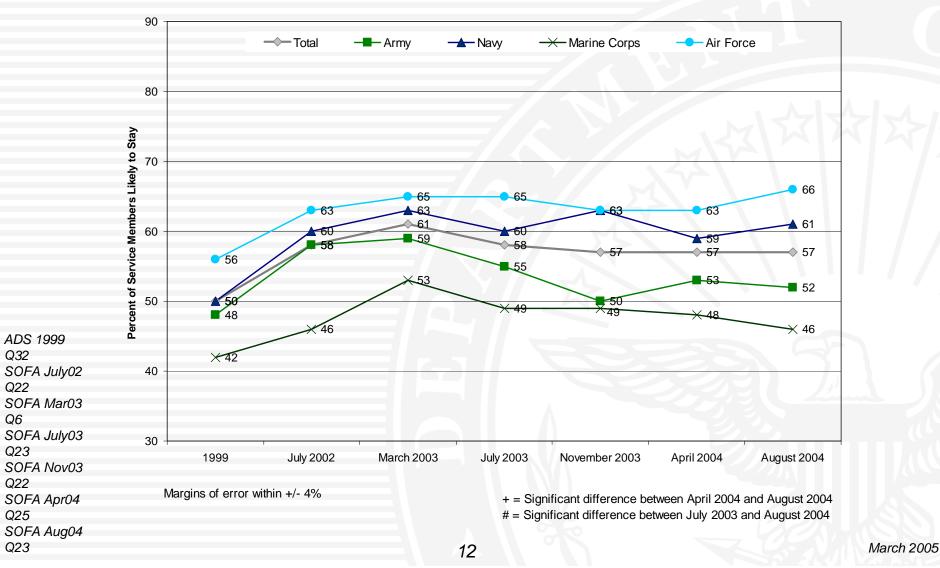
Likelihood To Stay on Active Duty All Service Members

KEY: More likely Loss likely More unlikely		Total	Army	Navy	Marine Corps	Air Force	E1-E4	E5-E9	01-03	04-06	Army Enlisted	Army Officers	Navy Enlisted	Navy Officers	Marine Corps Enlisted	Marine Corps Officers	Air Force Enlisted	Air Force Officers
Choose to stay on active	Likely	57	52	61	46	66	42	67	62	75	49	64	60	69	43	72	65	69
duty	Unlikely	30	35	27	41	21	42	22	24	18	37	25	28	20	44	19	22	20
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Margins of error within +/- KEY: More likely Loss likely	4%	25 Total	85 US Based	Coverseas	Con Base	S Off Base	G Total Non-Minority	G Total Minority	Single w/ Children	8 Single w/o Children	8 Married w/ Children	ୟ Married w/o Children	G Enlisted Male	8 Officer Male	G Enlisted Female	9 Officer Female	89 Male	95 Female

Margins of error within +/- 4%

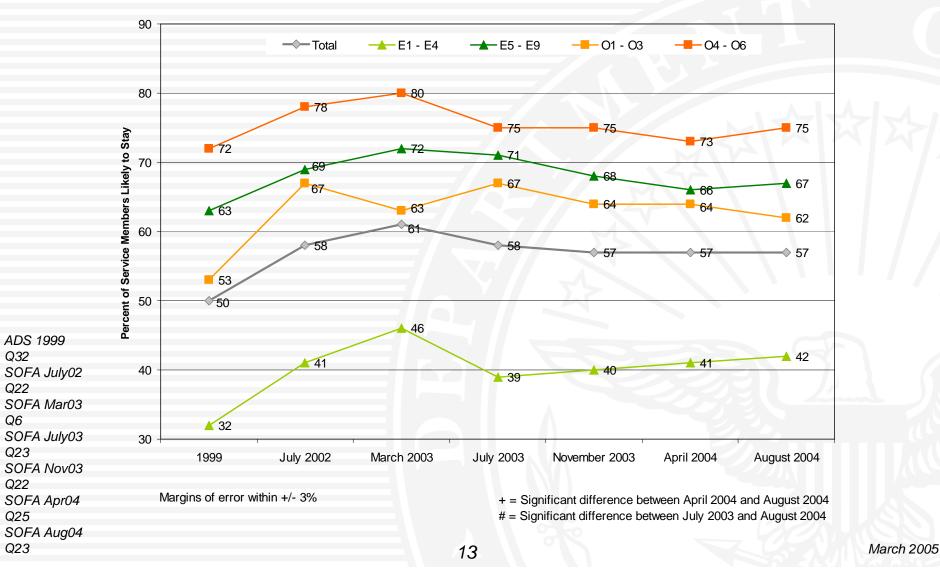
Likelihood To Stay on Active Duty Trends

All Service Members



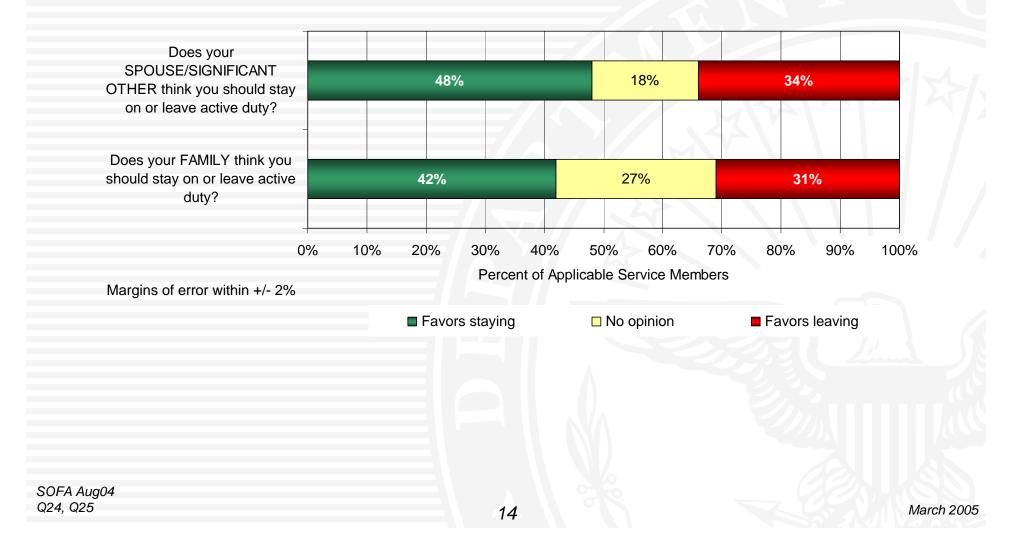
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Support To Stay on Active Duty

Applicable Service Members



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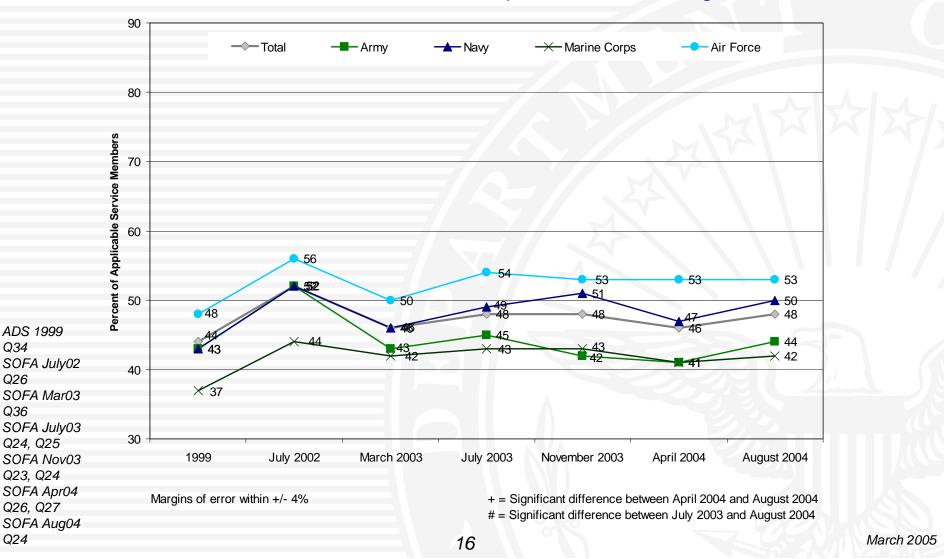
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Spouse / significant other think	Stay	48	44	50	42	53	33	55	51	61	42	51	49	56	39	59	52	58
should stay on or leave active duty	Leave	34	40	30	39	29	41	30	34	29	40	38	30	31	41	26	29	29
Family think should stay on or	Stay	42	34	48	34	49	33	48	46	50	33	43	48	49	33	49	49	50
leave active duty	Leave	31	41	25	37	24	35	30	25	24	42	34	26	21	38	23	24	21
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Spouse / significant other think	Stay	8 8 8	S∩ 49	<mark>43</mark>	46	49	48	47	39	25	57	47	47	56	42	51	6 Male	43
should stay on or leave active duty	Leave	34	33 43	39 37	34 39	34 44	35 42	33 42	34 43	41 33	31 50	37 40	34 41	32 48	38 40	31 46	34 42	37 41
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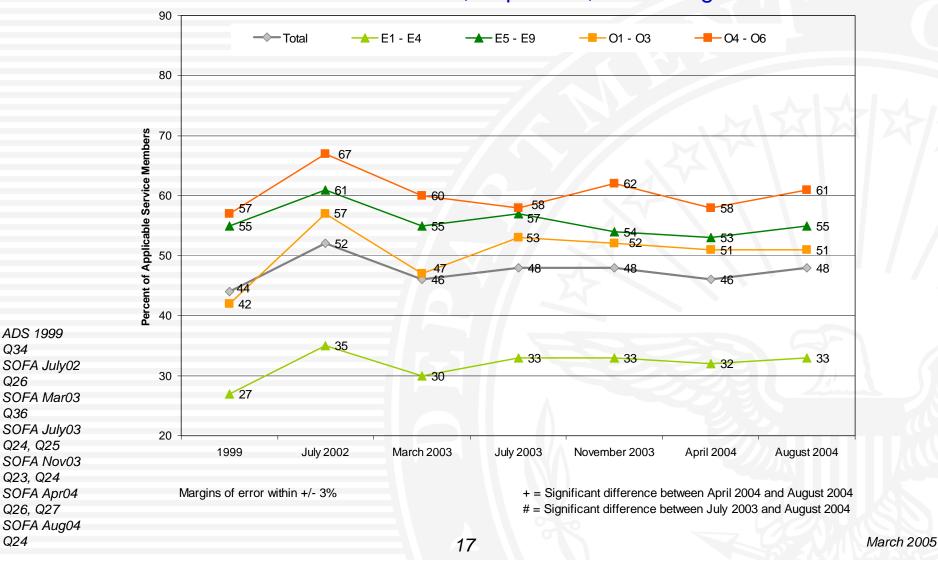
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Spouse/Significant Other Support To Stay on Active Duty Trends Service Members Who Were Married, Separated, or Had Significant Other

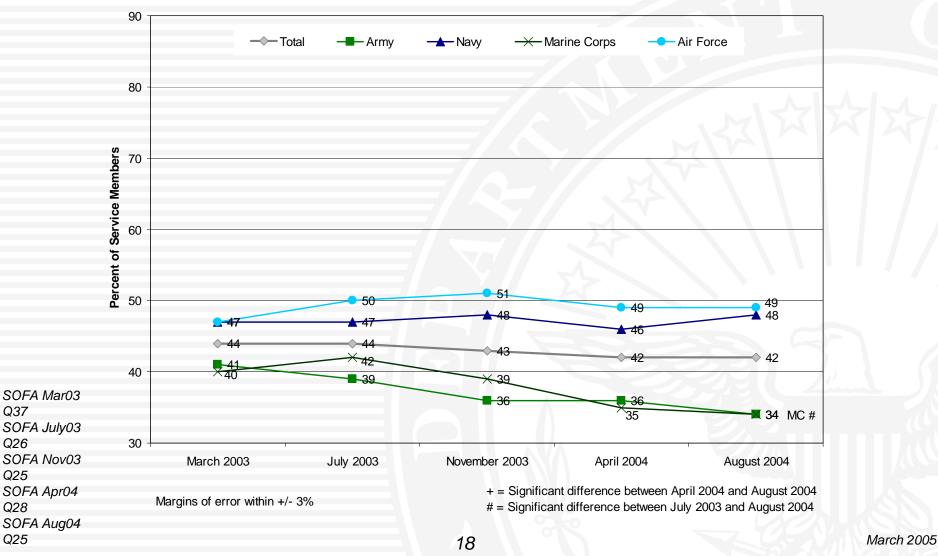


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Family Support To Stay on Active Duty Trends

All Service Members



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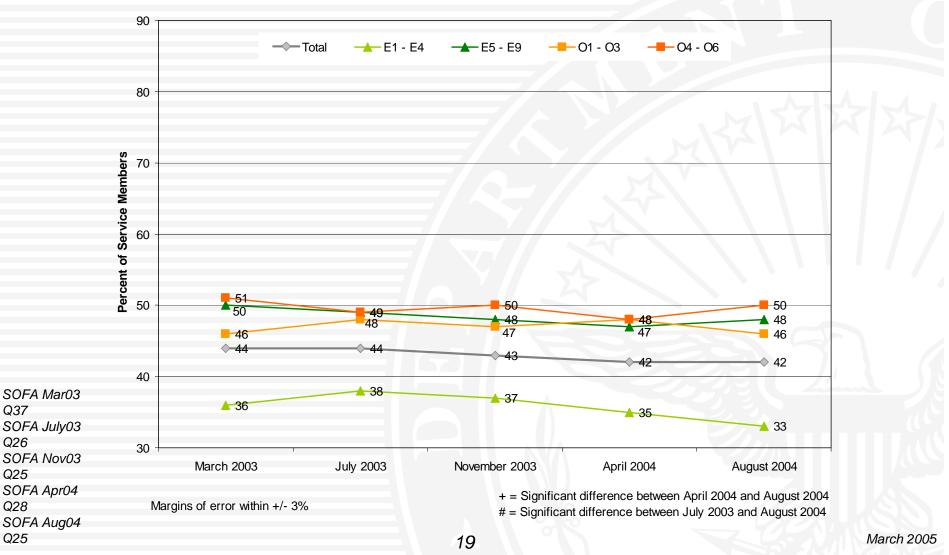
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Retention

Family Support To Stay on Active Duty Trends

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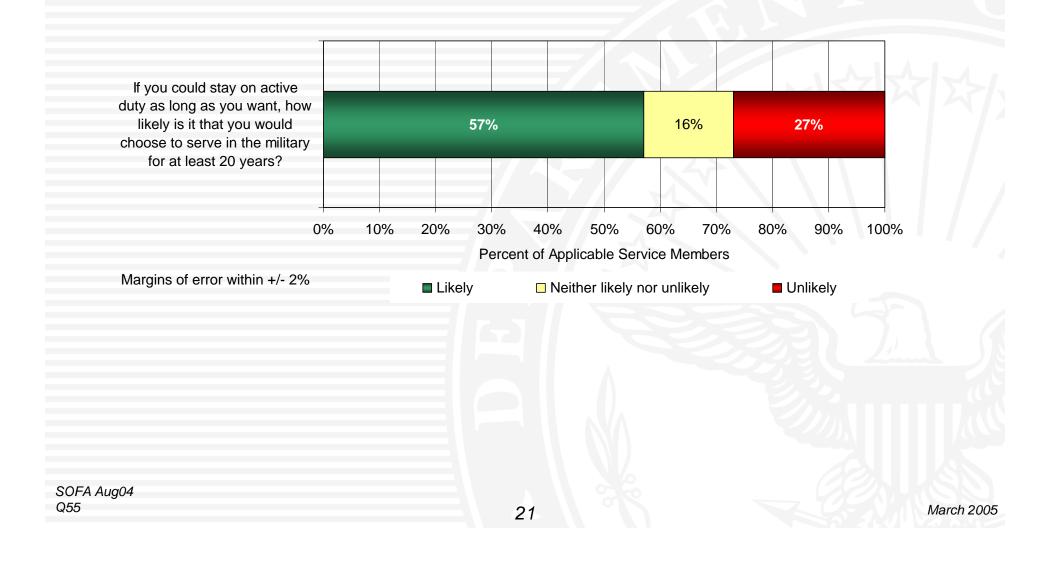


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Likelihood To Stay on Active Duty for at Least 20 Years Service Members With Less Than 20 Years of Active-Duty Service



Likelihood To Stay on Active Duty for at Least 20 Years Service Members With Less Than 20 Years of Active-Duty Service

KEY: More likely Less likely More unlikely		Total	Army	Navy	Marine Corps	Air Force	E1-E4	E5-E9	01-03	04-06	Army Enlisted	Army Officers	Navy Enlisted	Navy Officers	Marine Corps Enlisted	Marine Corps Officers	Air Force Enlisted
Likelihood that you would choose to	Likely	57	53	61	47	64	37	73	59	88	50	69	60	69	44	71	63
serve in the military for at least 20 years	Unikely	27	31	25	38	18	42	15	24	6	33	19	26	18	41	16	19
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Commitment Measures Definitions

- Affective commitment is defined as an emotional attachment to, an identification with, and an involvement in, an organization.
- Normative commitment is defined as a sense of obligation to remain in an organization.
- Continuance commitment is defined as an attachment based on the perceived costs associated with leaving an organization.

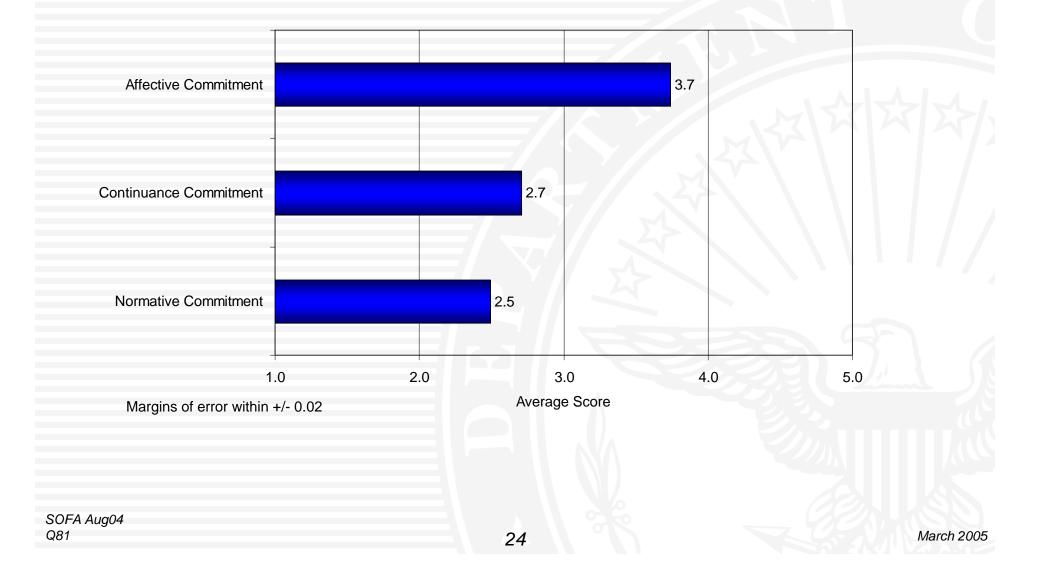
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Detailed Retention

Commitment Measures

All Service Members



Commitment Measures

All Service Members

KEY: More than average Less than average	Total	Army	Navy	Marine Corps	Air Force	E1-E4	E5-E9	01-03	04-06	Army Enlisted	Army Officers	Navy Enlisted	Navy Officers	Marine Corps Enlisted	Marine Corps Officers	Air Force Enlisted	Air Force Officers	
Affective Commitment	3.7	3.7	3.7	3.7	3.9	3.5	3.9	4.0	4.2	3.6	4.0	3.7	4.1	3.6	4.2	3.8	4.1	
Continuance Commitment	2.7	2.6	2.8	2.6	2.8	2.7	2.8	2.5	2.4	2.6	2.4	2.9	2.5	2.6	2.5	2.9	2.5	
Normative Commitment	2.5	2.4	2.6	2.5	2.5	2.4	2.5	2.6	2.6	2.4	2.6	2.6	2.5	2.4	2.8	2.5	2.6	

Margins of error within +/- 0.08

KEY: More than average Less than average	Total	US Based	Overseas	On Base	Off Base	Total Non-Minority	Total Minority	Single w/ Children	Single w/o Children	Married w/ Children	Married w/o Children	Enlisted Male	Officer Male	Enlisted Female	Officer Female	Male	Female
Affective Commitment	3.7	3.8	3.7	3.6	3.8	3.8	3.7	3.7	3.5	3.9	3.7	3.7	4.1	3.6	4.0	3.8	3.7
Continuance Commitment	2.7	2.7	2.7	2.7	2.7	2.7	2.8	2.8	2.6	2.8	2.7	2.8	2.5	2.8	2.4	2.7	2.8
Normative Commitment	2.5	2.5	2.4	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.4	2.6	2.5	2.5	2.6	2.4	2.6	2.5	2.5

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Detailed Retention Unit Cohesion Measure Definition

- Unit cohesion includes the following survey items:
 - Service members in your unit really care about each other
 - Service members in your unit work well as a team
 - Service members in your unit pull together to get the job done
 - Service members in your unit trust each other

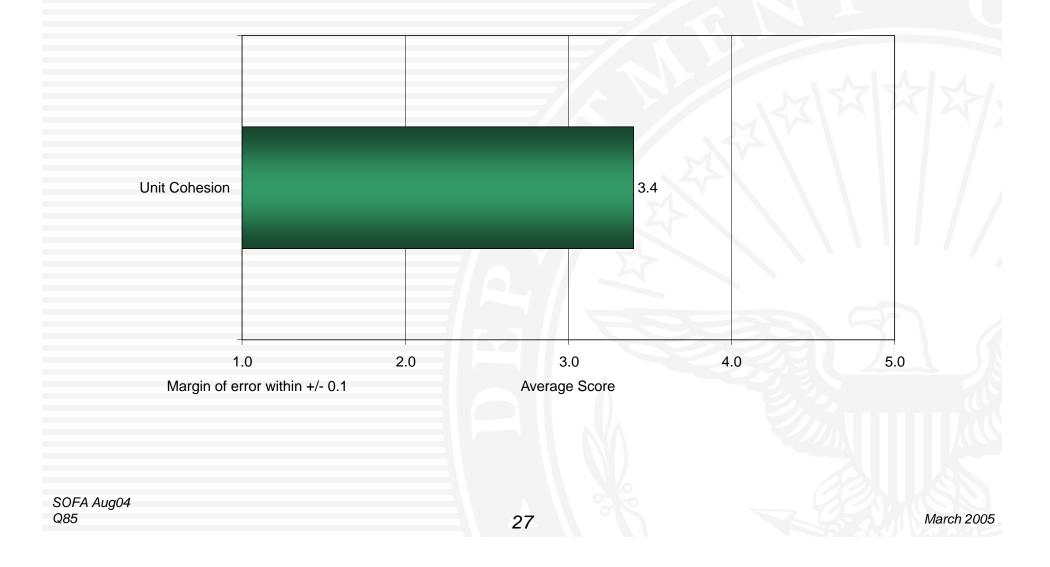
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Unit Cohesion Measure

All Service Members



Unit Cohesion Measure

All Service Members

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Unit Cohesion	3.4	3.3	3.4	3.5	3.5	3.2	3.4	3.8	4.0	3.2	3.8	3.3	3.9	3.4	4.1	3.4	3.9	

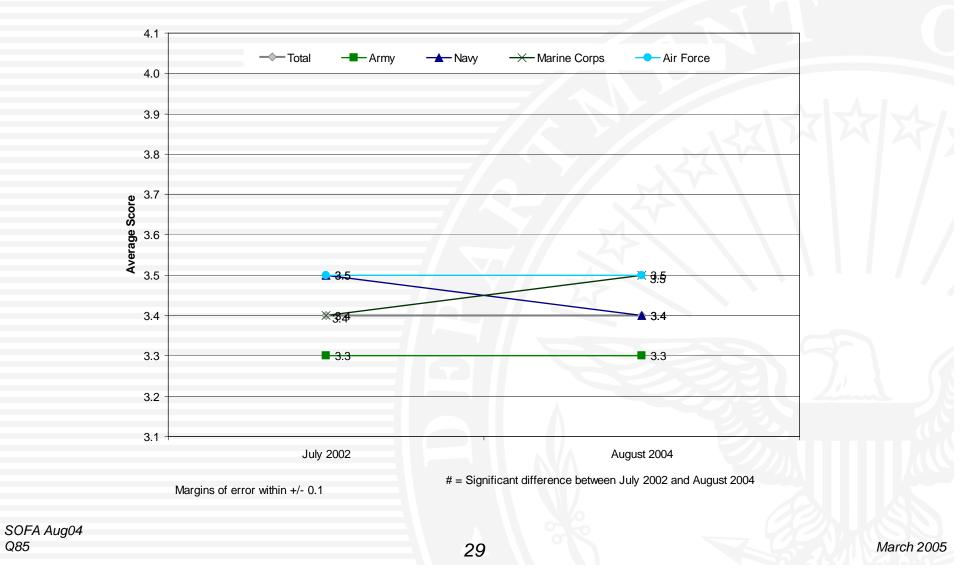
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Unit Cohesion	3.4	3.4	3.4	3.3	3.4	3.5	3.3	3.3	3.4	3.5	3.4	3.3	3.9	3.1	3.7	3.4	3.2

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Unit Cohesion Measure Trends

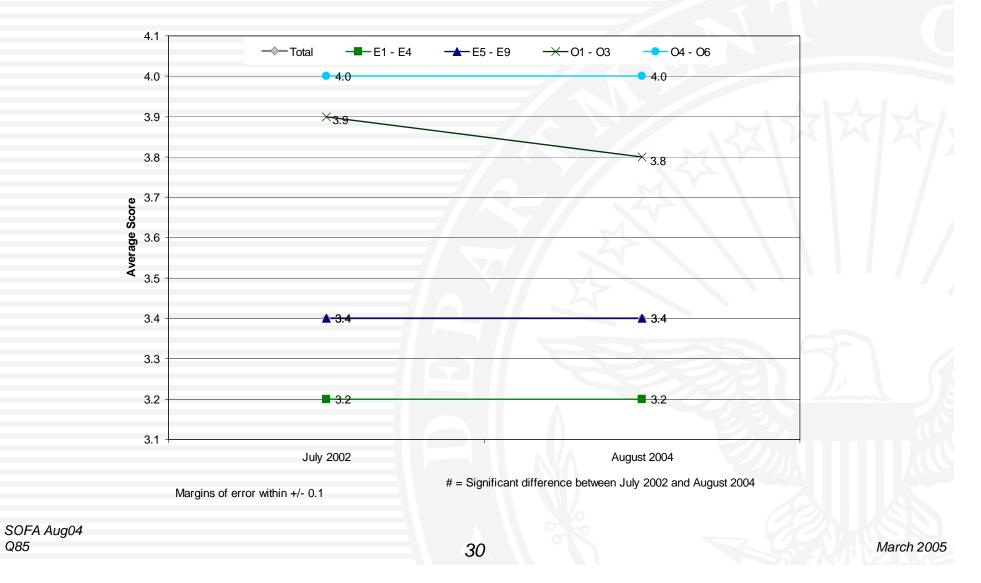
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Unit Cohesion Measure Trends

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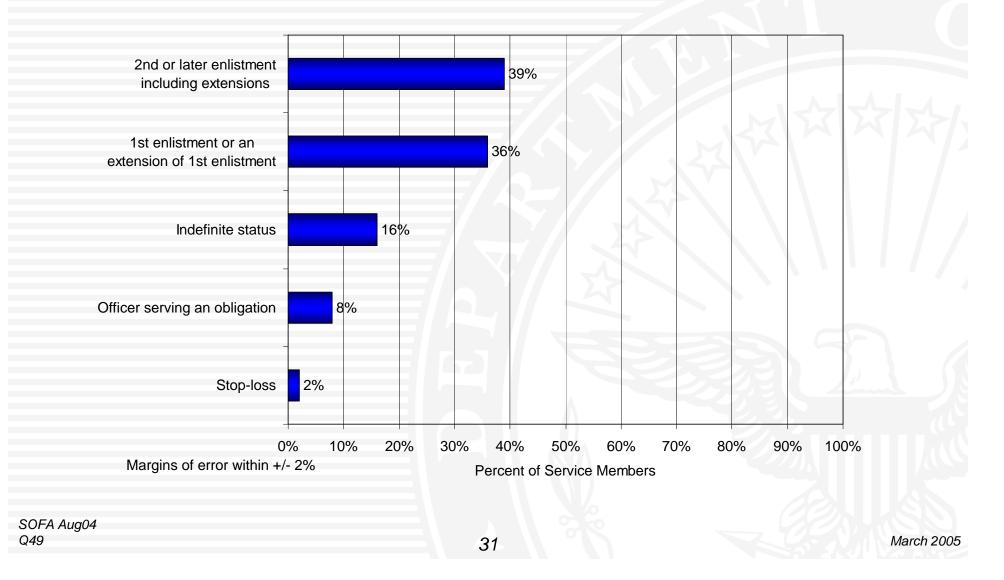
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Detailed Retention

Current Term of Service

All Service Members



Current Term of Service All Service Members

KEY: More likely to mark Less likely to mark	Total	Army	Navy	Marine Corps	Air Force	E1-E4	E5-E9	01-03	04-06	Army Enlisted	Army Officers	Navy Enlisted	Navy Officers	Marine Corps Enlisted	Marine Corps Officers	Air Force Enlisted	Air Force Officers	
2nd or later enlistment including extensions	39	31	46	32	45	13	75	0	0	37	0	54	0	36	0	57	0	
1st enlistment or an extension of 1st enlistment	36	31	37	54	33	81	9	0	0	37	0	44	0	61	0	41	0	
Indefinite status	16	29	9	9	10	3	14	36	73	21	67	2	46	3	58	2	41	
Officer serving an obligation	8	5	8	5	12	0	0	63	27	0	31	0	53	0	41	0	58	
Stop-loss	2	5	0	0	0	2	1	1	0	5	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	

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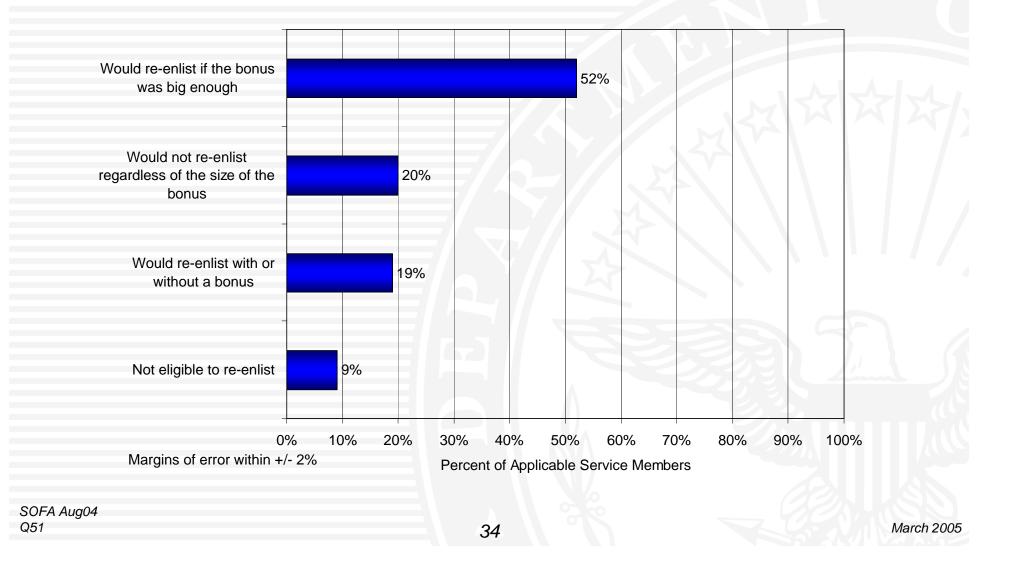
Current Term of Service All Service Members

KEY: More likely to mark Less likely to mark	Total	US Based	Overseas	On Base	Off Base	Total Non-Minority	Total Minority	Single w/ Children	Single w/o Children	Married w/ Children	Married w/o Children	Enlisted Male	Officer Male	Enlisted Female	Officer Female	Male	Female	ž
2nd or later enlistment including extensions	39	39	37	30	45	37	41	55	20	53	35	47	0	44	0	39	36	
1st enlistment or an extension of 1st enlistment	36	35	40	54	24	35	37	21	65	14	41	42	0	48	0	35	40	
Indefinite status	16	16	15	10	20	16	16	18	6	24	14	9	53	7	49	16	14	
Officer serving an obligation	8	8	6	3	11	10	4	4	8	7	9	0	46	0	50	7	8	
Stop-loss	2	1	3	2	1	2	2	3	2	2	2	2	1	2	1	2	2	

Margins of error within +/- 4%

Willingness To Re-enlist if Offered Bonus

Enlisted Service Members



Willingness To Re-enlist if Offered Bonus Enlisted Service Members

KEY: More likely to mark Less likely to mark	Total	Army	Navy	Marine Corps	Air Force	E1-E4	E5-E9	01-03	04-06	Army Enlisted	Army Officers	Navy Enlisted	Navy Officers	Marine Corps Enlisted	Marine Corps Officers	Air Force Enlisted	Air Force Officers	>
Would re-enlist if the bonus was big enough	52	49	53	46	57	56	48	NA	NA	49	NA	53	NA	46	NA	57	NA	
Would not re-enlist regardless of the size of the bonus	20	24	16	30	16	29	13	NA	NA	24	NA	16	NA	30	NA	16	NA	
Would re-enlist with or without a bonus	19	12	22	20	22	13	24	NA	NA	12	NA	22	NA	20	NA	22	NA	
Not eligible to re-enlist	9	15	9	4	5	2	15	NA	NA	15	NA	9	NA	4	NA	5	NA	

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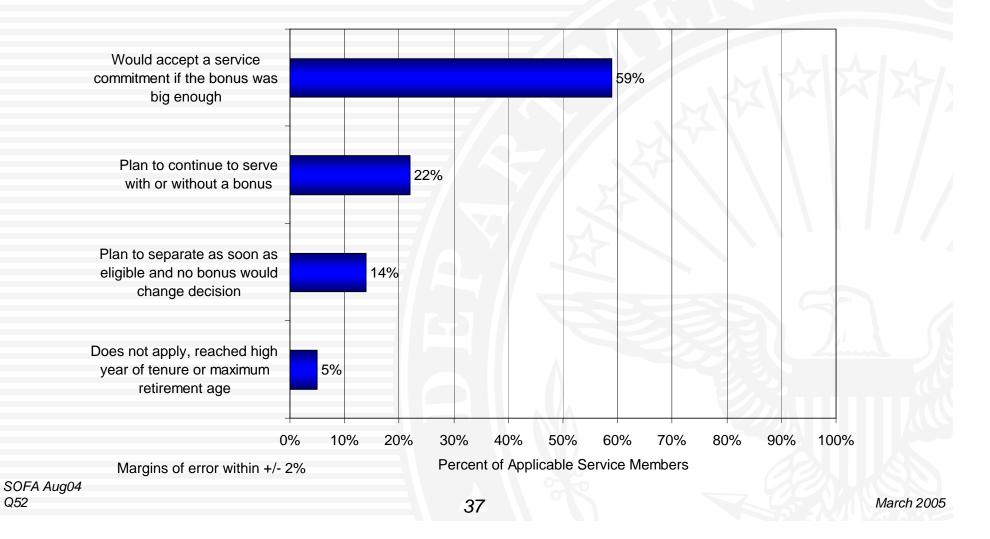
Willingness To Re-enlist if Offered Bonus Enlisted Service Members

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Would re-enlist if the bonus was big enough	52	52	52	56	49	53	51	48	54	50	54	53	NA	48	NA	53	48
Would not re-enlist regardless of the size of the bonus	20	20	22	25	17	22	18	17	29	12	22	20	NA	23	NA	20	23
Would re-enlist with or without a bonus	19	19	18	14	22	18	19	21	14	23	16	18	NA	21	NA	18	21
Not eligible to re-enlist	9	9	8	5	13	8	11	14	2	15	8	9	NA	8	NA	9	8

Margins of error within +/- 5%

NA: Not Applicable

Willingness To Accept Additional 3-Year, Active-Duty Commitment if Offered Bonus All Officers



Willingness To Accept Additional 3-Year, Active-Duty Commitment if Offered Bonus All Officers

KEY: More likely to mark Less likely to mark	Total	Army	Navy	Marine Corps	Air Force	E1-E4	E5-E9	01-03	04-06	Army Enlisted	Army Officers	Navy Enlisted	Navy Officers	Marine Corps Enlisted	Marine Corps Officers	Air Force Enlisted	Air Force Officers
Would accept a service commitment if the bonus was big enough	59	51	63	53	66	NA	NA	62	56	NA	51	NA	63	NA	53	NA	66
Plan to continue to serve with or without a bonus	22	25	20	29	19	NA	NA	21	23	NA	25	NA	20	NA	29	NA	19
Plan to separate as soon as eligible and no bonus would change decision	14	16	14	12	12	NA	NA	15	11	NA	16	NA	14	NA	12	NA	12
Does not apply, reached high year of tenure or maximum retirement age	5	9	3	6	3	NA	NA	2	10	NA	9	NA	3	NA	6	NA	3

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Willingness To Accept Additional 3-Year, Active-Duty Commitment if Offered Bonus All Officers

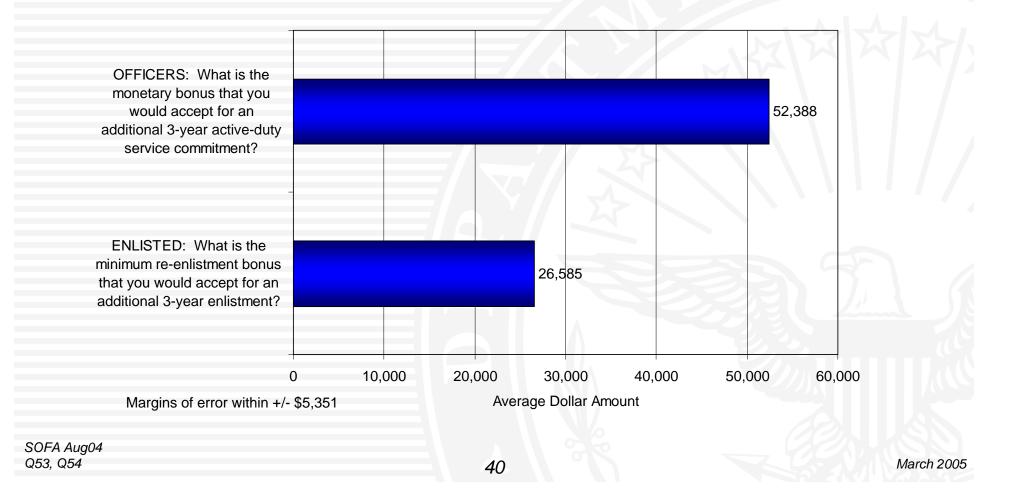
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Would accept a service commitment if the bonus was big enough	59	59	63	58	60	60	59	68	58	60	58	NA	60	NA	55	60	55
Plan to continue to serve with or without a bonus	22	22	22	27	21	21	25	14	21	22	22	NA	22	NA	21	22	21
Plan to separate as soon as eligible and no bonus would change decision	14	14	11	9	15	14	11	12	19	11	15	NA	12	NA	20	12	20
Does not apply, reached high year of tenure or maximum retirement age	5	5	4	6	5	5	5	6	2	7	5	NA	6	NA	4	6	4

Margins of error within +/- 5%

NA: Not Applicable

Minimum Re-enlistment Bonus for Additional 3-Year Enlistment/Commitment

Service Members Who Would Re-enlist (Enlisted) or Continue Commitment (Officers) if Bonus Was Large Enough



Minimum Re-enlistment Bonus for Additional 3-Year Enlistment/Commitment

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Officer	52,388	43,999	61,689	38,527	54,490	NA	NA	48,320	58,396	NA	43,999	NA	61,689	NA	38,527	NA	54,490
Enlisted	26,585	26,518	29,498	32,910	21,036	32,367	20,623	NA	NA	26,518	NA	29,498	NA	32,910	NA	21,036	NA

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NA: Not Applicable

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0	fficer	52,388	52,486	51,793	42,745	54,347	53,880	46,181	43,819	69,132	49,958	41,024	NA	55,020	NA	36,675	55,020	36,675
E	nlisted	26,585	25,651	30,748	29,462	23,893	30,287	21,078	16,950	37,870	20,975	17,868	27,117	NA	23,228	NA	27,117	23,228

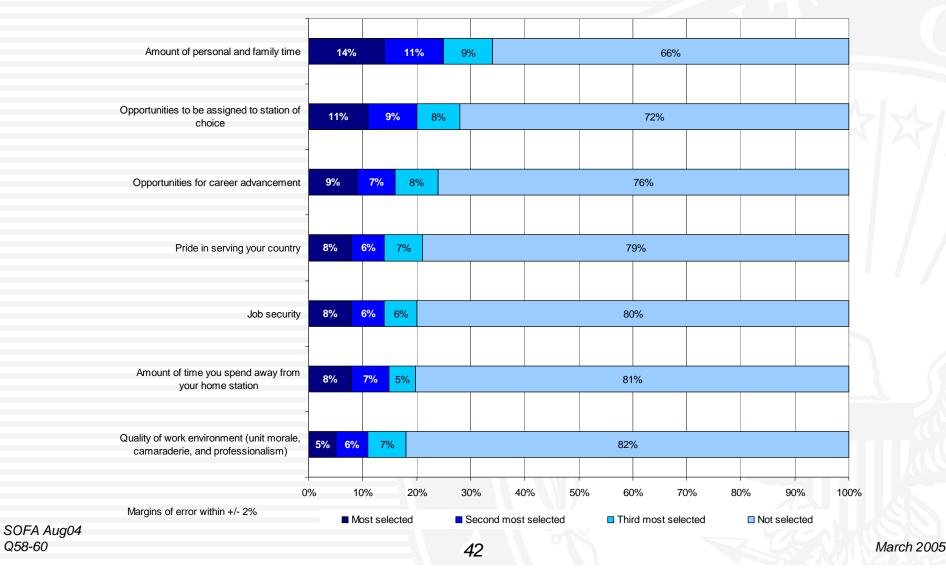
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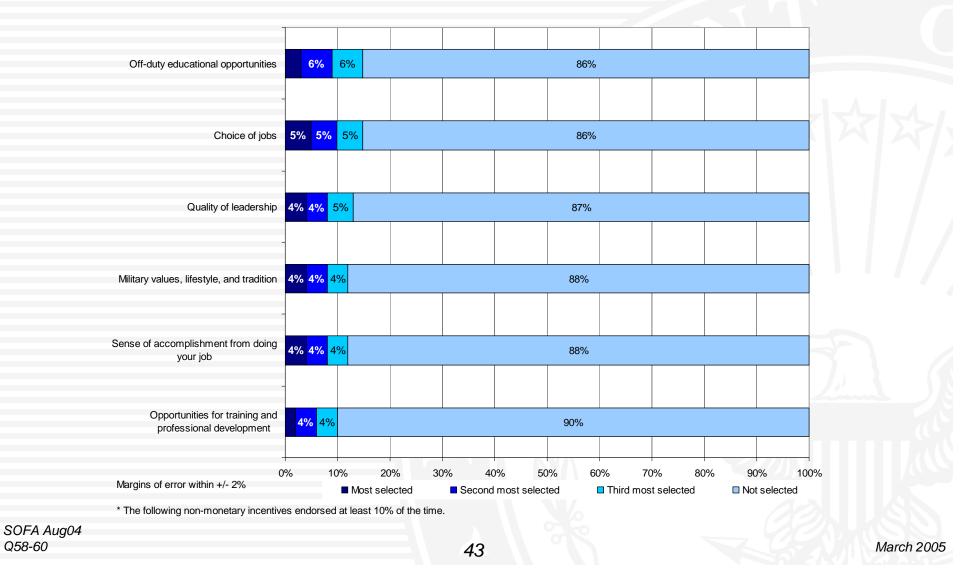
Non-Monetary Reasons To Stay

All Service Members



Non-Monetary Reasons To Stay *

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Detailed Retention Non-Monetary Reasons To Stay

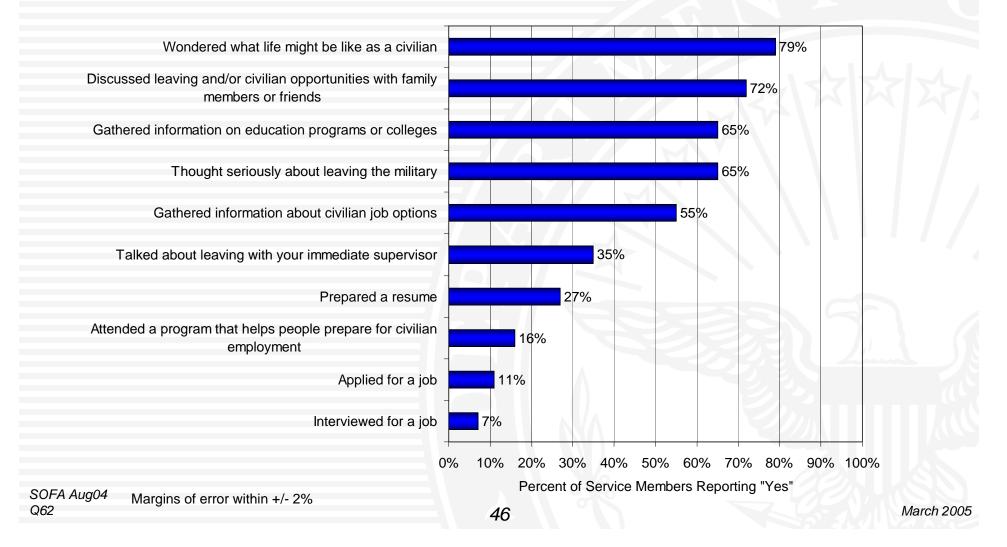
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Amount of personal and family time you have	Selected	34	37	35	31	30	34	34	39	33	37	39	34	39	32	30	30	33
Opportunities to be assigned to station of choice	Selected	28	30	28	23	30	30	29	25	26	31	28	28	23	23	21	31	26
Opportunities for career advancement	Selected	24	22	32	21	19	22	27	19	24	23	18	33	24	21	22	19	20
Pride in serving your country	Selected	21	18	22	27	20	19	22	21	24	17	20	22	21	27	26	19	25
Job security	Selected	20	16	23	20	24	21	23	14	11	17	11	24	14	21	12	26	16
Amount of time you spend away from home station	Selected	19	24	18	14	18	15	22	28	18	22	30	17	23	13	17	18	20
Quality of the work environment	Selected	18	18	17	20	17	16	17	22	25	17	22	16	24	19	25	15	23
Off-duty educational opportunities	Selected	15	13	17	15	13	20	14	5	1	15	4	19	5	16	3	16	3
Choice of jobs	Selected	14	15	14	16	13	17	11	18	20	15	18	13	19	16	18	12	18
Quality of leadership	Selected	13	16	10	14	14	14	13	13	14	16	14	10	12	14	15	13	14
Military values, lifestyle, and tradition	Selected	12	11	10	18	14	9	14	16	19	10	15	9	14	17	27	13	19
Sense of accomplishment from doing your job	Selected	12	11	12	12	13	8	11	21	27	9	22	10	22	10	29	10	25
Opportunities for training/professional development	Selected	10	10	12	10	9	11	10	11	9	10	11	13	10	10	12	9	8
Opportunities to travel	Selected	8	6	8	11	9	11	6	6	3	6	4	8	5	11	4	10	5
Opportunities for stabilized tours	Selected	8	11	5	5	9	4	10	14	14	10	16	4	13	5	8	8	14
Annual leave	Selected	7	7	5	10	8	11	5	3	3	7	3	6	2	11	1	9	4
Level of challenge in your job	Selected	6	6	7	5	6	5	6	10	13	5	9	6	12	4	14	5	11
Opportunity for retraining	Selected	5	4	3	2	8	7	4	2	1	5	1	3	1	2	2	10	2
Other non-monetary incentives	Selected	4	5	3	6	4	5	4	3	3	5	3	4	3	6	3	4	3
Level of integrity in your unit	Selected	4	4	3	4	4	5	4	2	2	4	2	3	2	4	3	5	3
Rotational assignments	Selected	4	4	5	3	4	3	5	3	2	4	3	6	4	3	3	4	2
Dental insurance for your family	Selected	3	3	2	4	3	4	3	1	1	4	1	3	1	5	0	3	1
Thrift savings plan	Selected	2	1	3	2	2	2	3	1	2	1	1	3	2	2	1	3	1
Service Members Group Life Insurance	Selected	2	2	2	1	1	2	1	0	0	2	0	2	0	1	0	2	0
Availability/quality of government-issued equipment to do your job	Selected	2	3	2	4	1	3	2	2	1	3	1	2	2	4	2	1	1
Space available travel	Selected	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0
Emergency relief societies	Selected	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Detailed Retention Non-Monetary Reasons To Stay All Service Members

KEY: More likely to mark Less likely to mark		Total	US Based	Overseas	On Base	Off Base	Total Non-Minority	Total Minority	Single w/ Children	Single w/o Children	Married w/ Children	Married w/o Children	Enlisted Male	Officer Male	Enlisted Female	Officer Female	Male	Female
Amount of personal and family time you have	Selected	34	34	35	33	34	35	33	34	25	39	38	34	36	33	39	34	34
Opportunities to be assigned to station of choice	Selected	28	28	31	30	27	27	30	28	30	28	28	29	25	31	27	28	30
Opportunities for career advancement	Selected	24	24	23	22	25	21	28	27	21	26	22	24	21	27	18	23	26
Pride in serving your country	Selected	21	22	17	21	21	23	17	19	19	22	21	22	24	13	15	22	13
Job security	Selected	20	21	18	19	22	20	22	21	19	22	20	22	13	21	14	21	19
Amount of time you spend away from home station	Selected	19	19	19	17	21	20	18	20	13	23	21	18	24	20	26	19	2
Quality of the work environment	Selected	18	17	19	18	18	19	16	16	19	17	16	16	22	21	27	17	22
Off-duty educational opportunities	Selected	15	15	14	16	13	12	19	14	21	10	13	16	4	18	5	14	1
Choice of jobs	Selected	14	15	13	15	14	14	14	12	17	12	16	14	18	12	16	15	1
Quality of leadership	Selected	13	13	16	14	13	14	12	14	15	12	15	13	13	15	16	13	1
Military values, lifestyle, and tradition	Selected	12	13	11	12	13	13	11	11	10	14	13	12	18	11	11	13	1
Sense of accomplishment from doing your job	Selected	12	12	11	10	13	14	9	13	12	12	12	9	24	10	24	12	1
Opportunities for training/professional development	Selected	10	11	10	11	10	9	12	10	13	9	9	11	10	9	12	11	9
Opportunities to travel	Selected	8	7	11	10	6	7	9	7	14	4	5	8	4	8	5	8	8
Opportunities for stabilized tours	Selected	8	8	10	6	10	9	8	9	4	11	9	7	15	8	13	8	ĝ
Annual leave	Selected	7	7	7	9	6	8	6	4	11	5	6	8	3	6	4	7	6
Level of challenge in your job	Selected	6	6	6	5	7	7	5	7	6	6	6	5	11	5	11	6	6
Opportunity for retraining	Selected	5	5	4	6	4	5	5	6	6	3	6	5	1	6	2	5	6
Other non-monetary incentives	Selected	4	4	4	5	4	4	4	4	5	4	5	5	3	4	4	4	4
Level of integrity in your unit	Selected	4	4	5	4	4	4	4	4	5	3	4	4	2	4	4	4	4
Rotational assignments	Selected	4	4	3	4	5	4	5	6	4	4	4	4	3	5	3	4	5
Dental insurance for your family	Selected	3	3	3	4	3	3	3	3	2	3	3	4	1	3	0	3	3
Thrift savings plan	Selected	2	2	2	2	2	2	3	1	2	2	2	2	1	1	1	2	1
Service Members Group Life Insurance	Selected	2	2	1	2	1	1	2	3	2	1	1	2	0	2	0	2	2
Availability/quality of government-issued equipment to do your job	Selected	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	3	1	1	1	2	1
Space available travel	Selected	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	1
Emergency relief societies	Selected	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Actions Taken During Past 6 Months To Explore Possibilities of Leaving the Military All Service Members



Actions Taken During Past 6 Months To Explore Possibilities of Leaving the Military

All Service Members

KEY: Higher response of "Yes" Lower response of "Yes"		Total	Army	Navy	Marine Corps	Air Force	E1-E4	E5-E9	01-03	04-06	Army Enlisted	Army Officers	Navy Enlisted	Navy Officers	Marine Corps Enlisted	Marine Corps Officers	Air Force Enlisted	Air Force Officers
Wondered what life might be like as a civilian	Yes	79	82	76	80	77	79	79	80	80	82	82	76	81	80	79	77	77
Discussed leaving and/or civilian opportunities with family members or friends	Yes	72	76	70	77	67	72	73	68	72	76	73	70	72	78	70	67	66
Gathered information on education programs or colleges	Yes	65	68	68	68	58	71	68	51	30	72	46	72	46	71	44	63	3
Thought seriously about leaving the military	Yes	65	71	61	72	59	68	65	58	57	73	62	62	60	74	59	61	53
Gathered information about civilian job options	Yes	55	59	54	61	49	51	61	47	51	60	54	54	53	62	51	50	4:
Talked about leaving with your immediate supervisor	Yes	35	39	34	37	31	36	37	25	31	41	30	35	30	38	28	32	2
Prepared a resume	Yes	27	30	26	29	23	22	30	25	30	29	31	26	27	30	24	22	2
Attended a program that helps people prepare for civilian employment	Yes	16	19	17	19	11	14	19	10	16	19	15	17	15	19	15	11	1
Applied for a job	Yes	11	11	12	15	9	11	12	7	9	12	10	13	7	16	10	9	7
Interviewed for a job	Yes	7	7	7	9	6	6	8	6	8	7	8	7	7	9	7	6	5

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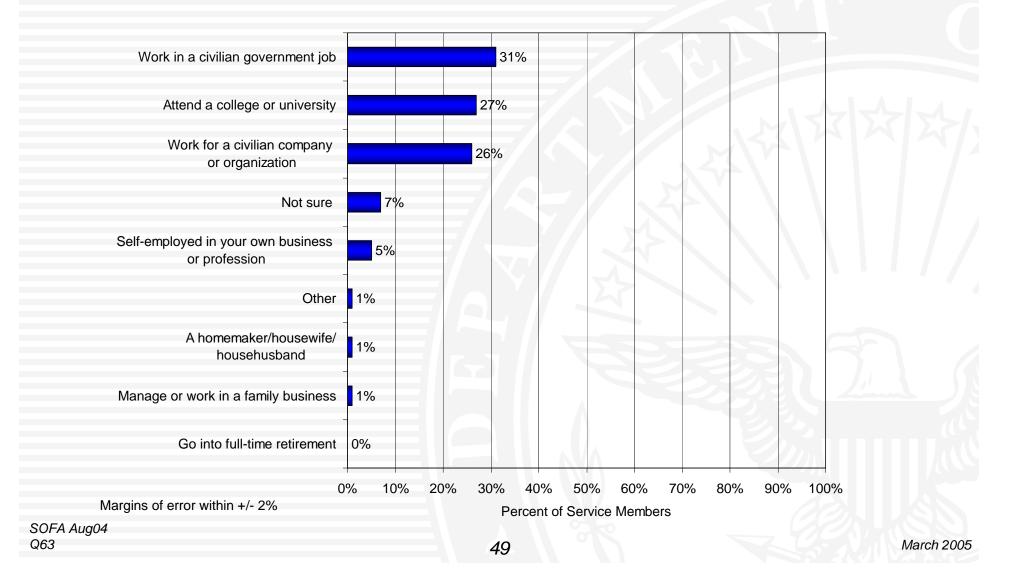
Actions Taken During Past 6 Months To Explore Possibilities of Leaving the Military All Service Members

KEY: Higher response of "Yes" Lower response of "Yes"		Total	US Based	Overseas	On Base	Off Base	Total Non-Minority	Total Minority	Single w/ Children	Single w/o Children	Married w/ Children	Married w/o Children	Enlisted Male	Officer Male	Enlisted Female	Officer Female	Male	Female
Wondered what life might be like as a civilian	Yes	79	79	79	78	80	78	80	80	80	78	81	79	80	80	79	79	80
Discussed leaving and/or civilian opportunities with family members or friends	Yes	72	73	68	70	73	72	72	75	69	72	75	72	70	72	69	72	71
Gathered information on education programs or colleges	Yes	65	65	66	67	64	61	73	70	70	60	69	69	43	74	43	65	69
Thought seriously about leaving the military	Yes	65	66	64	66	65	64	67	70	68	62	66	66	58	69	62	65	68
Gathered information about civilian job options	Yes	55	56	52	51	58	54	57	65	50	59	53	57	51	50	42	56	49
Talked about leaving with your immediate supervisor	Yes	35	35	34	33	37	36	34	40	35	34	36	36	28	37	28	35	36
Prepared a resume	Yes	27	27	24	22	30	25	29	36	22	29	26	27	28	25	24	27	25
Attended a program that helps people prepare for civilian employment	Yes	16	17	14	13	18	15	18	25	13	18	16	17	13	15	13	16	15
Applied for a job	Yes	11	12	8	10	12	10	13	17	10	12	11	12	8	10	7	12	10
Interviewed for a job	Yes	7	7	4	6	8	6	8	10	6	8	7	7	7	6	5	7	6
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Primary Activity if Member Left Active Duty in Next 12 Months All Service Members



Primary Activity if Member Left Active Duty in Next 12 Months All Service Members

KEY: More likely to mark Less likey to mark	Total	Army	Navy	Marine Corps	Air Force	E1-E4	E5-E9	01-03	04-06	Army Enlisted	Army Officers	Navy Enlisted	Navy Officers	Marine Corps Enlisted	Marine Corps Officers	Air Force Enlisted	Air Force Officers
Work in a civilian government job	31	37	28	30	26	23	40	23	19	39	27	30	19	30	24	28	18
Attend a college or university	27	27	29	34	24	48	16	12	4	30	11	32	10	37	10	28	6
Work for a civilian company or organization	26	23	25	32	32	16	27	44	51	19	42	20	50	20	44	27	49
Not sure	7	5	9	5	9	6	7	9	10	5	8	9	8	5	10	8	11
Self-employed in your own business or profession	5	5	5	5	6	4	6	8	10	4	8	5	8	5	8	5	10
Other	1	1	1	1	2	1	1	2	2	1	2	1	2	1	2	2	2
A homemaker/housewife/ househusband	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2
Manage or work in a family business	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Go into full-time retirement Margins of error within +/- 4%	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	1

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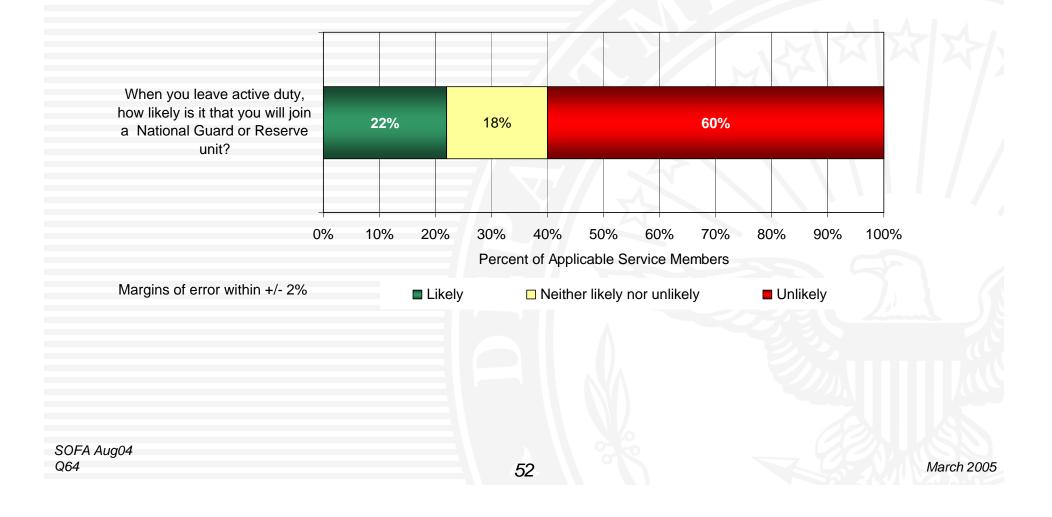
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Primary Activity if Member Left Active Duty in Next 12 Months All Service Members

KEY: More likely to mark Less likely to mark	Total	US Based	Overseas	On Base	Off Base	Total Non-Minority	Total Minority	Single w/ Children	Single w/o Children	Married w/ Children	Married w/o Children	Enlisted Male	Officer Male	Enlisted Female	Officer Female	Male	Female
Work in a civilian government job	31	31	31	31	30	27	36	36	21	38	31	33	22	28	25	31	28
Attend a college or university	27	27	32	37	21	25	32	21	49	11	29	29	9	40	8	26	35
Work for a civilian company or organization	26	27	21	18	31	30	19	26	17	33	24	23	48	14	38	26	18
Not sure	7	7	6	6	8	8	5	6	6	8	8	7	9	7	10	7	7
Self-employed in your own business or profession	5	5	6	5	6	6	5	6	4	7	4	5	8	4	8	5	4
Other	1	1	2	1	1	1	1	2	1	1	2	1	2	1	3	1	1
A homemaker/housewife/ househusband	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	4	6	0	5
Manage or work in a family business	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Go into full-time retirement	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	2	0	0
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Likelihood of Joining National Guard or Reserve Unit When Leaving Active Duty

Service Members Who Were Not Retiring or Otherwise Ineligible



Likelihood of Joining National Guard or Reserve Unit When Leaving Active Duty

Service Members Who Were Not Retiring or Otherwise Ineligible

KEY: More likely Less troly More unlikely		Total	Army	Navy	Marine Corps	Air Force	E1-E4	E5-E9	01-03	04-06	Army Enlisted	Army Officers	Navy Enlisted	Navy Officers	Marine Corps Enlisted	Marine Corps Officers	Air Force Enlisted	Air Force Officers
When you leave active duty, will join a	Likely	22	17	29	18	24	24	18	32	14	17	15	28	31	16	32	22	31
National Guard or Reserve unit	Unikely	60	67	48	65	58	56	65	49	73	67	72	48	49	67	52	61	50
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KEY: More likely Less likely More unlikely		Total	US Based	Overseas	On Base	Off Base	Total Non-Minority	Total Minority	Single w/ Children	Single w/o Children	Married w/ Children	Married w/o Children	Enlisted Male	Officer Male	Enlisted Female	Officer Female	Male	Female
When you leave active duty, will join a	Likely	22	22	20	22	22	22	23	25	25	18	22	20	25	26	30	21	27
National Guard or Reserve unit	Unikely	60	59	62	60	60	60	58	62	54	66	59	61	57	57	54	60	57
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Retention Summary of Findings

August 2004 Findings

- 57% likely to stay
 - More likely to stay led by Navy, Air Force, E5-E9, commissioned officer, living in the US, living off base, and married with children
 - More unlikely to stay led by Army, Marine Corps, E1-E4, Army enlisted, Marine Corps enlisted, living on base, non-minority, single without children, and enlisted male
- 48% reported their spouse/significant other support staying on active duty
 - Support staying led by Air Force, E5-E9, O4-O6, Navy officer, Marine Corps officer, living in the US, married with children, officer male, and male
 - Support leaving led by Army, E1-E4, Army enlisted, Marine Corps enlisted, living overseas, and single without children
- 42% reported their families support staying on active duty
 - Support staying led by Navy, Air Force, E5-E9, commissioned officer, Marine Corps officer, living in the US, living off base, married with children, and officer male
 - Support leaving led by Army, Marine Corps, Army enlisted, Marine Corps enlisted, living overseas, minority, enlisted female, and female

Retention Summary of Findings

August 2004 Findings (continued)

- 57% likely to stay for at least 20 years
 - More likely to stay led by Navy, Air Force, E5-E9, O4-O6, all Services officer, living in the US, living off base, member with children, officer male, and male
 - More unlikely to stay led by Army, Marine Corps, E1-E4, Army enlisted, Marine Corps enlisted, living on base, single without children, enlisted female, and female
- On a scale from 1 (lowest) to 5 (highest), commitment measures ranged from 2.5 to 3.7
 - Highest was affective commitment (emotional attachment)
 - Lowest was *normative commitment* (sense of obligation)
- On a scale from 1 (lowest) to 5 (highest), overall unit cohesion measures at 3.4
 - Led by Air Force, commissioned officer, living off base, non-minority, married with children, and male

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Summary of Findings

August 2004 Findings (continued)

- 36% to 39% of members currently on 1st, 2nd, or later enlistment, including extensions
 - 1st enlistment led by Marine Corps, E1-E4, Navy enlisted, Air Force enlisted, Marine Corps enlisted, Air Force enlisted, living overseas, living on base, member without children, enlisted male, enlisted female, and female
 - 2nd or later enlistment led by Navy, Air Force, E5-E9, Navy enlisted, Air Force enlisted, living off base, minority, member with children, enlisted male, enlisted female, and male
- 52% of eligible enlisted members reported they would be willing to re-enlist if bonuses were big enough
 - Led by Air Force, E1-E4, living on base, and male
- 59% of eligible officers would accept an additional 3-year, activeduty commitment if bonuses were big enough
 - Led by O1-O3
- Service members who would re-enlist or continue their commitment if bonuses were large enough reported minimum bonuses for additional 3 years of \$52,388 (officers) and \$26,585 (enlisted)
 - Officer more than average reported by male
 - Enlisted more than average reported by single without children

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Retention Summary of Findings

August 2004 Findings (continued)

- Amount of personal and family time, opportunities to be assigned to station of choice, and opportunities for career advancement were the top non-monetary reasons to stay
- 65% thought seriously about leaving the military
 - More than half indicated they gathered information on education programs and civilian jobs
 - A quarter of members reported they prepared a resume
 - 11% applied for a job and 7% interviewed for a job
- Majority indicated they would work in a civilian company or government or attend a college or university
- 22% of Service members who were not retiring or were otherwise ineligible reported they were likely to join a National Guard or Reserve Unit when they left active duty
 - Led by Navy, E1-E4, O1-O3, Marine Corps officer, Air Force officer, single without children, officer male, and female

Retention Summary of Findings

April 2004 – August 2004 Trends

• No change

July 2003 – August 2004 Trends

 Family support to stay on active duty decreased 5 percentage points for Marine Corps

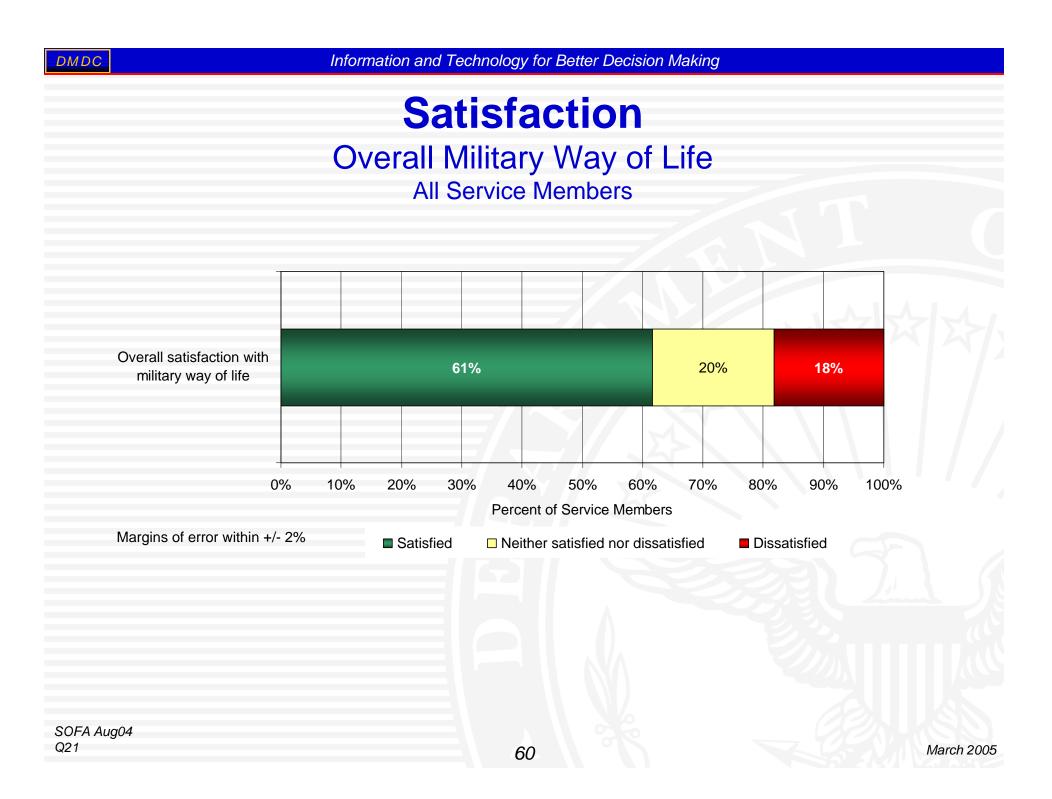
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Leading Indicators and Related Items

- Retention
 - Detailed retention
- ✓ Satisfaction
 - Detailed satisfaction
- Tempo
 - Global War on Terrorism
 - Deployments and assignments
- Personal and work stress
- Personal and unit preparedness

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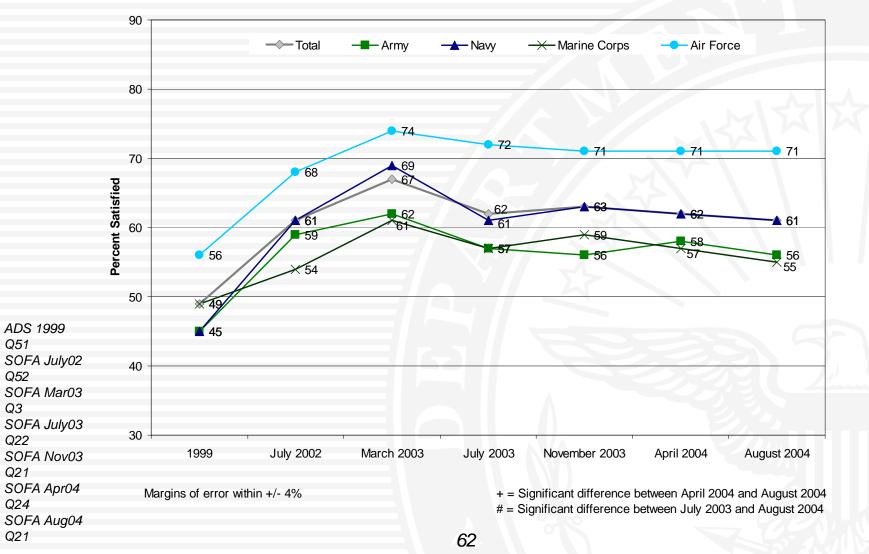
Overall Military Way of Life All Service Members

E5-E9 01-03	04-06	Army	Army	Navy	Navy	Za	Marine	Marine	Air	Air
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KEY: More satisfied Less satisfied More dissatisfied		Total	US Based	Overseas	On Base	Off Base	Total Non-Minority	Total Minority	Single w/ Children	Single w/o Children	Married w/ Children	Married w/o Children	Enlisted Male	Officer Male	Enlisted Female	Officer Female	Male	Female
Overall satisfaction with	SAT	61	62	58	55	65	62	60	63	50	70	59	58	78	58	76	61	61
military way of life	DIS	18	18	21	23	15	19	17	17	25	14	18	20	10	20	12	18	19

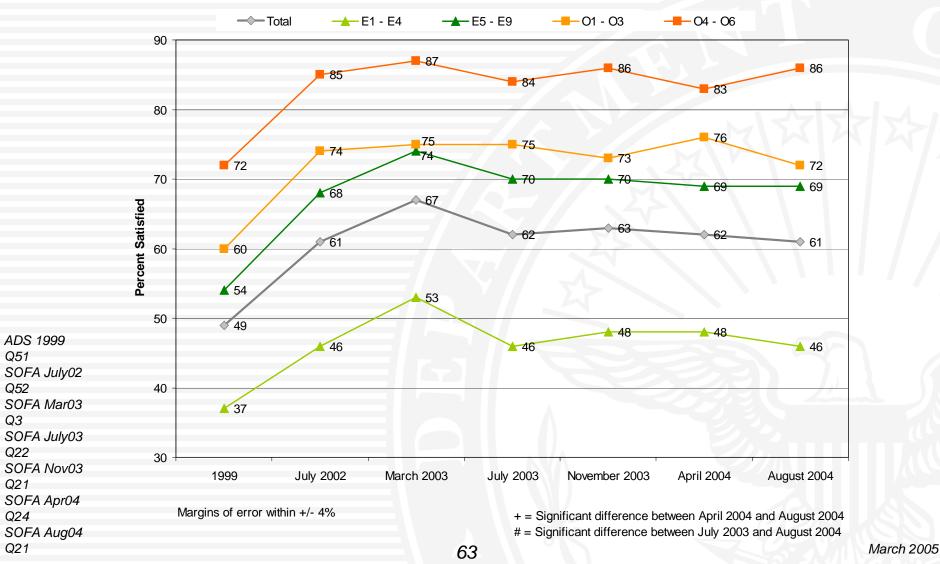
Overall Military Way of Life Trends

All Service Members



Overall Military Way of Life Trends

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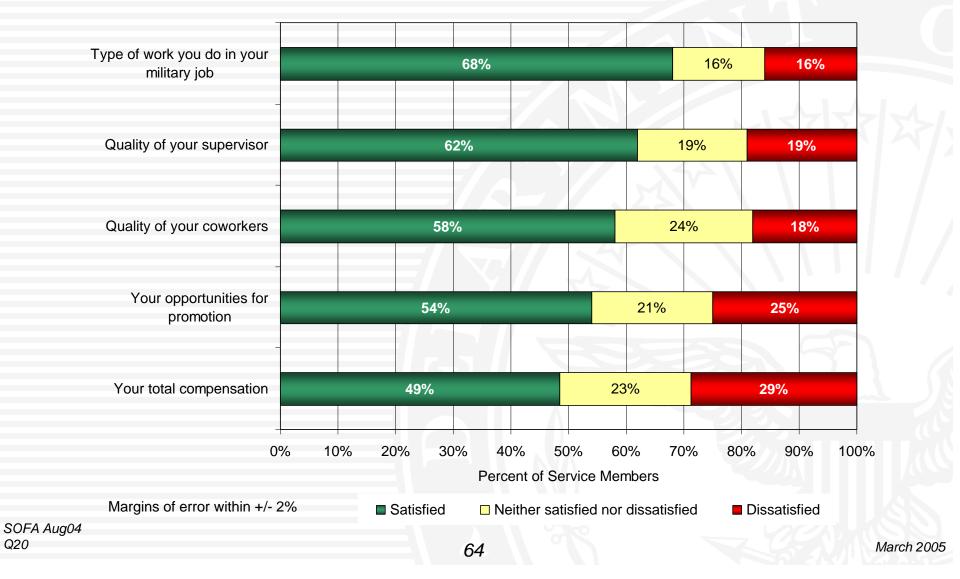
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Aspects of Military Service

All Service Members



Aspects of Military Service All Service Members

KEY: More satisfied Loss satisfied More dissatisfied		Total	Army	Navy	Marine Corps	Air Force	E1-E4	E5-E9	01-03	04-06	Army Enlisted	Army Officers	Navy Enlisted	Navy Officers	Marine Corps Enlisted	Marine Corps Officers	Air Force Enlisted	Air Force Officers
Type of work you do in	SAT	68	66	67	68	69	56	74	74	85	63	79	65	83	67	82	67	78
your military job	DIS	16	18	15	15	15	23	13	13	6	20	10	16	8	16	8	16	11
	SAT	62	57	62	61	69	55	63	75	81	54	72	60	76	59	81	66	80
Quality of your supervisor	DIS	19	23	19	20	15	24	19	10	7	25	10	21	10	21	9	16	8
Quality of your coworkers	SAT	58	57	56	57	64	50	58	74	84	54	72	52	78	53	85	59	83
Quality of your coworkers	DIS	18	19	20	18	14	22	18	9	5	21	10	23	7	20	5	16	5
Your opportunities for	SAT	54	54	48	51	63	43	59	76	65	50	72	44	70	49	71	61	70
promotion	DIS	25	27	31	25	16	32	24	8	19	30	12	35	12	27	13	17	14
Your total compensation	SAT	49	44	52	39	56	40	48	74	77	40	66	48	74	35	75	50	78
iour total compensation	DIS	29	33	27	32	23	32	30	13	12	35	18	30	13	35	11	26	11

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Aspects of Military Service All Service Members

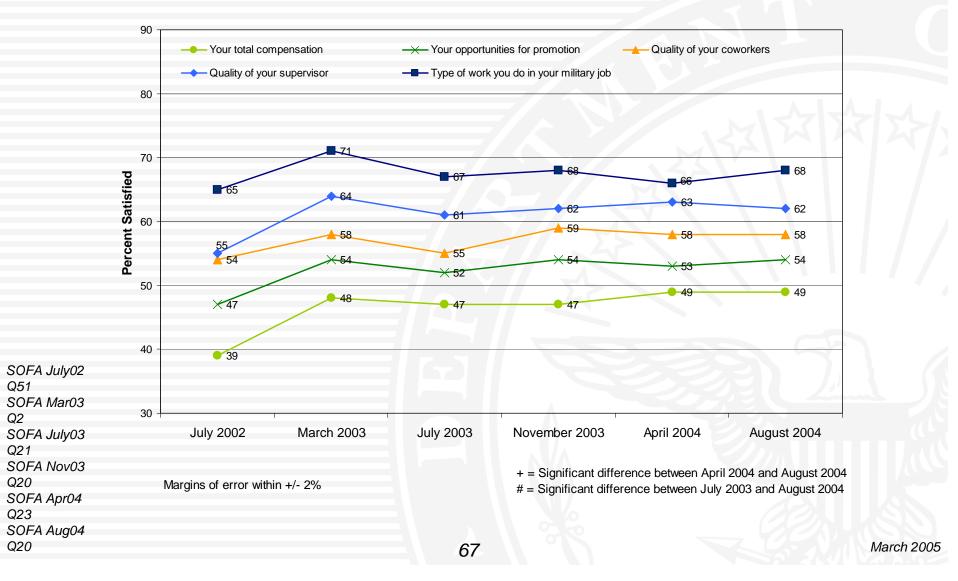
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Type of work you do in	SAT	68	68	65	64	70	67	68	69	58	76	65	66	80	63	78	68	66	
your military job	DIS	16	16	18	18	15	16	16	16	22	11	16	17	10	19	11	16	18	
Quality of your supervisor	SAT	62	63	60	58	65	63	60	61	58	65	65	60	78	57	71	63	59	
quality of your supervisor	DIS	19	19	21	22	18	19	19	20	22	18	17	21	9	23	13	19	22	
Quality of your coworkers	SAT	58	59	56	55	61	60	56	57	54	62	59	56	78	49	77	59	54	
quality of your coworkers	DIS	18	18	18	19	17	18	17	19	21	15	18	19	7	24	9	17	21	
Your opportunities for	SAT	54	55	53	52	56	57	50	49	51	57	56	52	71	48	74	55	52	
promotion	DIS	25	25	25	26	25	23	28	31	25	25	22	27	13	30	12	25	27	
Your total compensation	SAT	49	48	51	44	52 27	51	<mark>45</mark> 31	46	45	50	53	43	72	51	78	47	55	K
	DIS	29	30	24	31	27	27	51	31	29	30	24	32	15	27	11	29	24	

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Aspects of Military Service Trends

All Service Members

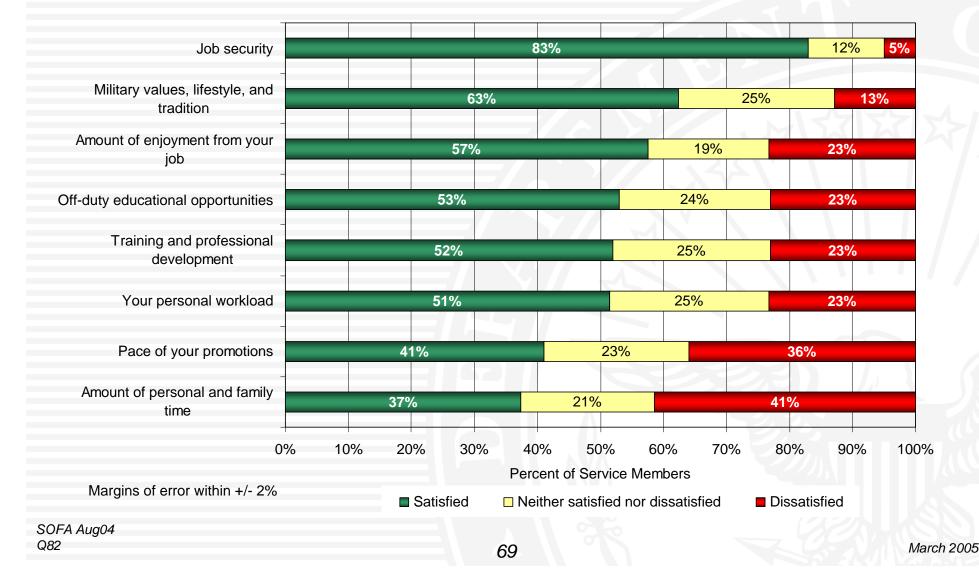


Leading Indicators and Related Items

- Retention
 - Detailed retention
- Satisfaction
 - Detailed satisfaction
- Tempo
 - Global War on Terrorism
 - Deployments and assignments
- Personal and work stress
- Personal and unit preparedness

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Military Life All Service Members



Military Life All Service Members

KEY: More satisfied Less satisfied More dissatisfied		Total	Army	Navy	Marine Corps	Air Force	E1-E4	E5-E9	01-03	04-06	Army Enlisted	Army Officers	Navy Enlisted	Navy Officers	Marine Corps Enlisted	Marine Corps Officers	Air Force Enlisted	Air Force Officers
Job security	SAT	83	82	84	80	85	76	87	89	90	81	89	83	88	78	92	84	89
-	DIS	5	5	4	4	5	6	4	3	3	5	3	4	6	5	1	5	3
Military values, lifestyle, and	SAT	63	59	62	62	69	47	69	80	91	55	81	58	85	59	91	65	84
tradition	DIS	13	15	14	13	8	19	10	6	2	17	5	15	4	14	3	9	4
Amount of enjoyment from your	SAT	57	55	57	56	60	42	64	68	80	51	72	53	78	54	79	58	72
job	DIS	23	25	23	25	21	33	19	19	10	28	15	24	12	26	11	23	16
Off-duty educational	SAT	53	45	56	51	63	44	63	47	54	45	44	56	53	51	46	65	56
opportunities	DIS	23	32	20	23	14	28	21	22	13	34	24	21	17	23	19	14	14
Training and professional	SAT	52	47	52	55	59	43	56	63	69	44	58	50	68	52	71	57	66
development	DIS	23	28	23	20	17	26	22	20	15	29	23	24	16	21	14	17	17
·	SAT	51	48	55	52	51	43	56	56	60	46	59	55	60	51	63	51	55
Your personal workload	DIS	23	26	22	21	23	25	22	25	24	27	23	21	24	21	18	23	26
	SAT	41	41	36	37	46	27	45	63	59	38	60	32	60	34	59	42	63
Pace of your promotions	DIS	36	37	43	36	29	44	36	14	25	41	19	47	20	38	21	31	18
Amount of personal and family	SAT	37	30	38	32	49	30	42	40	45	29	36	37	43	31	41	49	47
time	DIS	41	52	39	43	30	46	38	39	38	53	46	39	36	44	36	29	35
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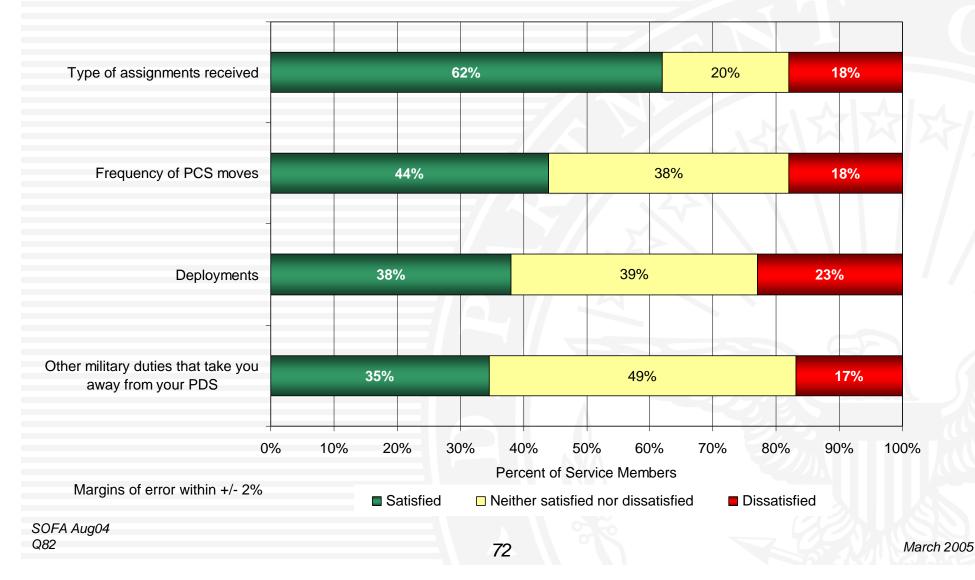
Military Life All Service Members

KEY: More satisfied Less satisfied More dissatisfied		Total	US Based	Overseas	On Base	Off Base	Total Non-Minority	Total Minority	Single w/ Children	Single w/o Children	Married w/ Children	Married w/o Children	Enlisted Male	Officer Male	Enlisted Female	Officer Female	Male	Female
Job security	SAT	83	84	80	80	85	84	82	80	78	87	84	82	89	81	90	83	82
oob security	DIS	5	5	5	5	5	5	4	6	6	4	4	5	3	6	3	5	5
Military values, lifestyle, and	SAT	63	64	58	57	67	64	61	63	52	72	62	59	84	60	81	63	63
tradition	DIS	13	12	14	15	11	13	12	12	17	9	13	14	4	15	6	12	14
Amount of enjoyment from your	SAT	57	58	55	51	61	59	55	55	46	66	56	54	74	51	71	58	54
job	DIS	23	23	24	27	21	24	23	23	32	17	25	24	14	30	16	23	27
Off-duty educational	SAT	53	54	53	50	56	53	54	55	47	59	52	53	50	58	52	53	57
opportunities	DIS	23	23	24	25	21	23	23	22	26	20	24	24	19	21	16	23	20
Training and professional	SAT	52	53	49	49	55	54	51	48	48	56	54	51	65	48	63	53	50
development	DIS	23	22	25	24	22	23	22	26	25	22	19	23	18	27	20	22	26
Your personal workload	SAT	51	52	48	47	54	50	53	55	44	57	50	50	58	52	58	51	53
	DIS	23	23	25	25	22	26	20	21	26	21	25	23	23	23	26	23	24
Pace of your promotions	SAT	41	41	40	37	43	44	36	34	39	42	42	37	61	36	61	41	40
	DIS	36	36	37	38	35	34	40	44	35	38	33	39	20	42	17	36	38
Amount of personal and family	SAT	37	38	32	35	39	37	39	40	33	41	36	35	42	42	43	36	42
time	DIS	41	41	44	44	39	43	38	40	42	40	43	42	39	38	40	42	39

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Assignments and Travel

All Service Members



Assignments and Travel All Service Members

KEY: More satisfied Loss satisfied More dissatisfied		Total	Army	Navy	Marine Corps	Air Force	E1-E4	E5-E9	01-03	04-06	Army Enlisted	Army Officers	Navy Enlisted	Navy Officers	Marine Corps Enlisted	Marine Corps Officers	Air Force Enlisted	Air Force Officers	X
Type of assignments received	SAT	62	60	62	58	66	45	70	75	89	56	78	59	84	54	84	62	79	
Type of assignments received	DIS	18	21	16	17	17	25	15	12	6	24	10	17	8	18	7	18	11	
Frequency of PCS moves	SAT	44	43	43	38	50	25	56	55	62	40	56	41	57	35	61	48	59	
Frequency of FCS moves	DIS	18	20	15	15	20	18	18	18	21	20	21	14	21	16	12	20	19	
Deployments	SAT	38	34	44	42	37	29	45	38	55	32	41	43	55	41	51	36	41	
Deployments	DIS	23	28	19	23	20	27	21	21	11	29	22	20	13	24	13	21	15	
Other military duties that take	SAT	35	32	34	33	40	23	41	41	54	30	42	32	48	31	47	38	47	
you away from your PDS	DIS	17	21	16	17	12	19	16	16	11	22	17	16	13	18	10	12	13	

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Assignments and Travel All Service Members

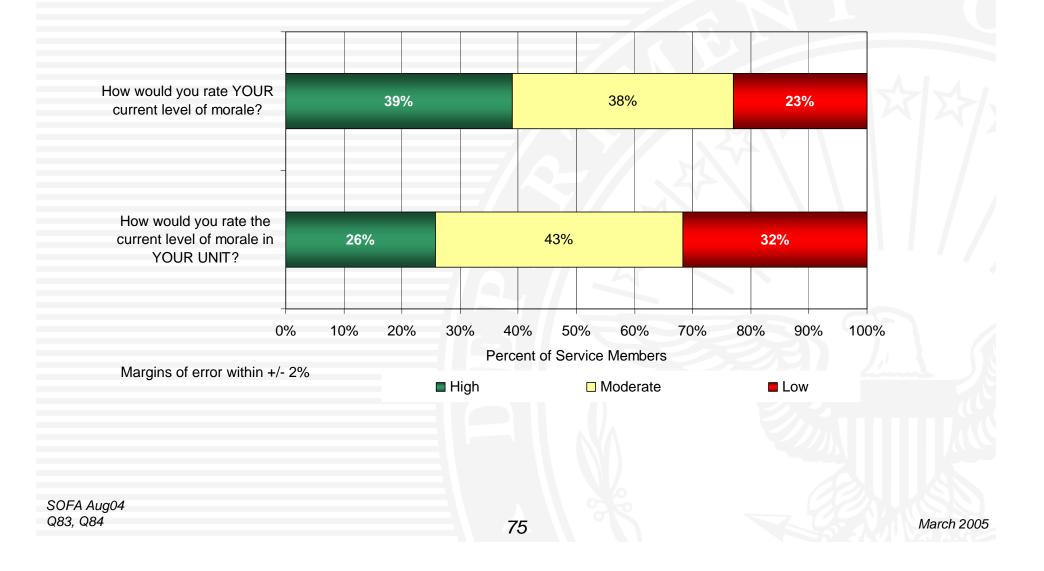
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Current Level of Personal and Unit Morale

All Service Members



Current Level of Personal and Unit Morale All Service Members

KEY: More likely to select "High Less likely to select "High More likely to select "Low	.	Total	Army	Navy	Marine Corps	Air Force	E1-E4	E5-E9	01-03	04-06	Army Enlisted	Army Officers	Navy Enlisted	Navy Officers	Marine Corps Enlisted	Marine Corps Officers	Air Force Enlisted	Air Force Officers
Your current level of moral	High	39	35	42	41	40	30	41	51	58	31	52	39	56	39	64	37	52
Tour current level of moral	Low	23	27	21	23	20	32	20	13	10	30	13	23	11	25	7	21	12
Your unit's current level of	High	26	21	27	30	28	20	25	39	49	18	38	24	45	26	59	24	43
morale	Low	32	36	32	29	27	38	32	18	12	40	16	35	16	32	8	30	16

Margins of error within +/- 4%

KEY: More likely to select "High" Less likely to select "High" More likely to select "Low"		Total	US Based	Overseas	On Base	Off Base	Total Non-Minority	Total Minority	Single w/ Children	Single w/o Children	Married w/ Children	Married w/o Children	Enlisted Male	Officer Male	Enlisted Female	Officer Female	Male	Female
	High	39	40	34	35	41	39	39	34	32	44	39	36	55	33	45	39	35
Your current level of morale	Low	23	23	24	26	21	24	21	23	28	19	24	25	11	26	15	23	24
Your unit's current level of	High	26	26	24	23	27	26	24	22	23	28	27	23	45	18	32	27	20
morale	Low	32	31	33	34	30	32	31	35	34	29	32	34	15	39	21	31	36
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Margins of error within +/- 5%

Satisfaction Summary of Findings

August 2004 Findings

- 61% satisfied with overall military way of life
 - Led by Air Force, E5-E9, commissioned officer, living in the US, living off base, and married with children
- 18% dissatisfied with overall military way of life
 - Led by Army, Marine Corps, E1-E4, Army enlisted, Marine Corps enlisted, living on base, single without children, and enlisted male
- 54% to 68% satisfied with 4 out of 5 aspects of military way of life
 - Highest satisfaction with type of work you do (68%)
 - Lowest satisfaction with total compensation (49%)

Summary of Findings

August 2004 Findings (continued)

- 51% to 83% satisfied with 6 out of 8 aspects of military life
 - Highest satisfaction with *job security* (83%)
 - Lowest satisfaction with amount of personal and family time (37%)
- 44% to 62% satisfied with 2 out of 4 aspects of assignments and travel
 - Highest satisfaction with type of assignments received (62%)
 - Lowest satisfaction with other military duties that take you away from your PDS (35%)
- 39% of Service members reported their current level of morale was high
 - Led by commissioned officer, living in the US, living off base, married with children, and male
- 26% of Service members reported their unit's level of morale was high

 Led by Marine Corps, commissioned officer, living off base, married with children, and male

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Summary of Findings

April 2004 – August 2004 Trends

No change

July 2003 – August 2004 Trends

No change

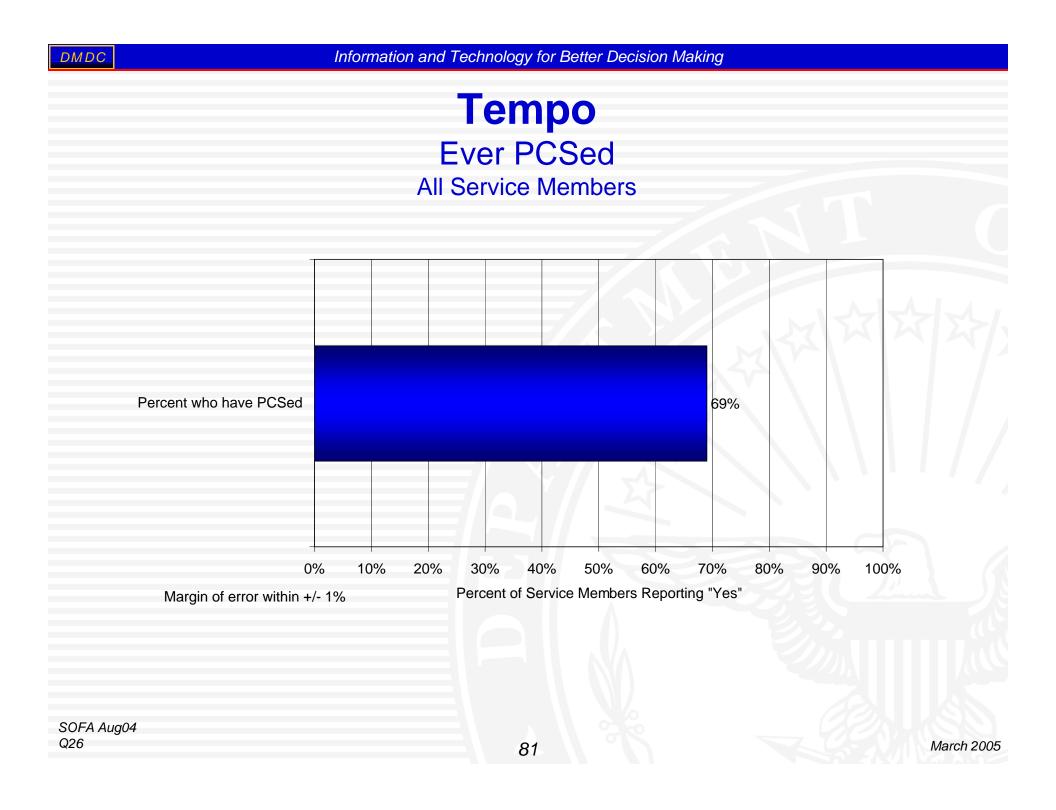
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Tempo Ever PCSed All Service Members

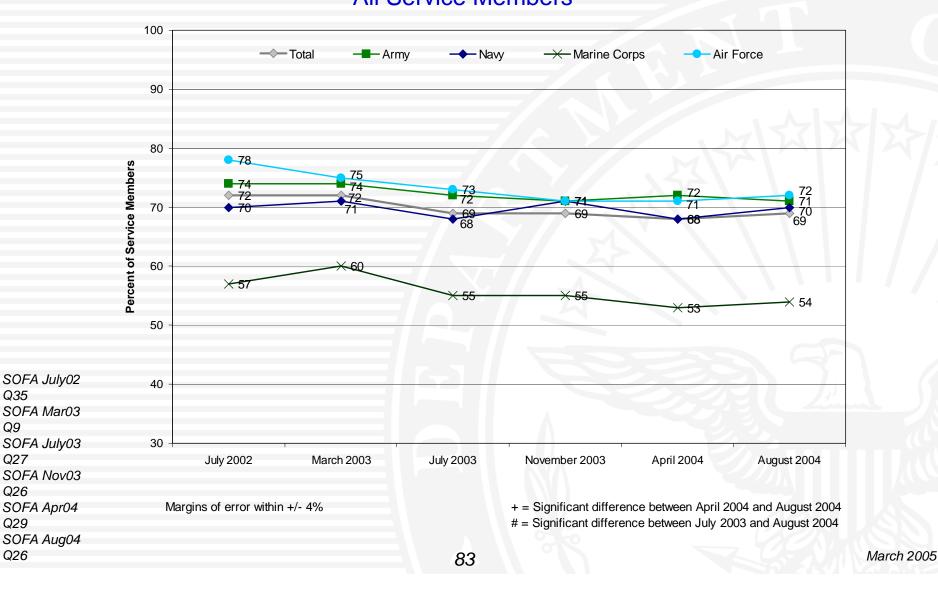
KEY: Higher response of "Yes" Lower response of "Yes"		Total	Army	Navy	Marine Corps	Air Force	E1-E4	E5-E9	01-03	04-06	Army Enlisted	Army Officers	Navy Enlisted	Navy Officers	Marine Corps Enlisted	Marine Corps Officers	Air Force Enlisted	Air Force Officers
Percent who have PCSed	Yes	69	71	70	54	72	35	90	88	99	67	92	66	97	49	96	67	91

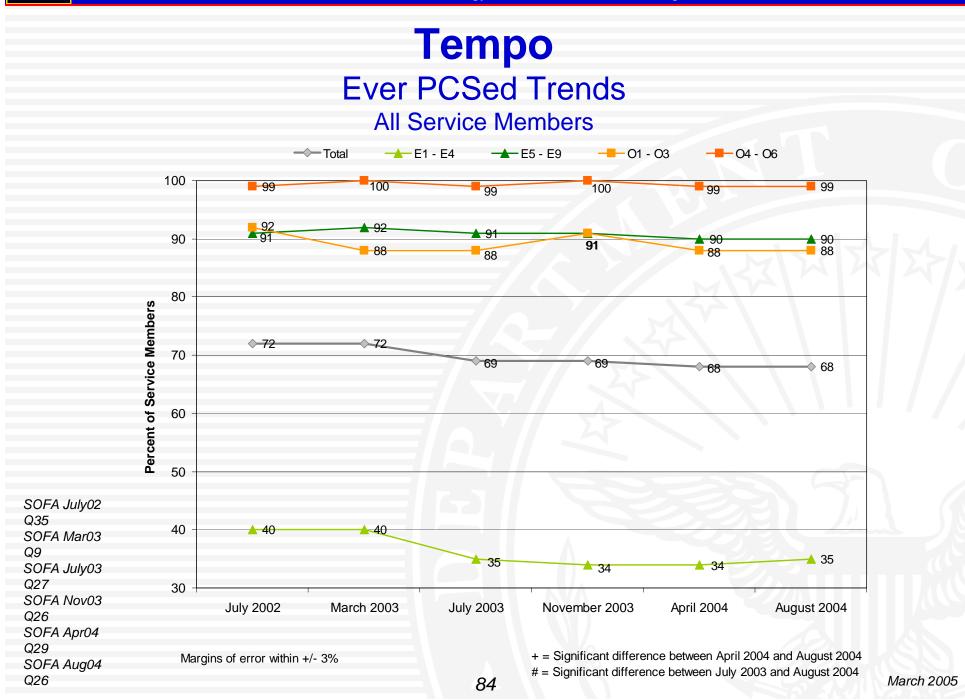
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Percent who have PCSed	Yes	69	68	73	55	78	70	66	79	46	86	65	64	94	63	90	69	68

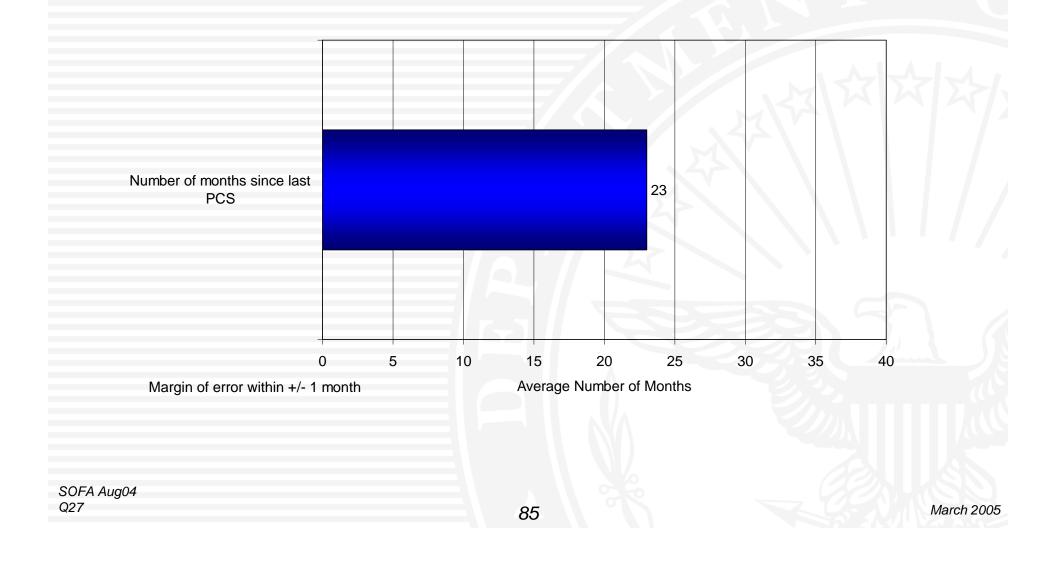
Margins of error within +/- 4%

Tempo Ever PCSed Trends All Service Members





Tempo Time Since Last PCS Service Members Who Had at Least One PCS Move



Time Since Last PCS Service Members Who Had at Least One PCS Move

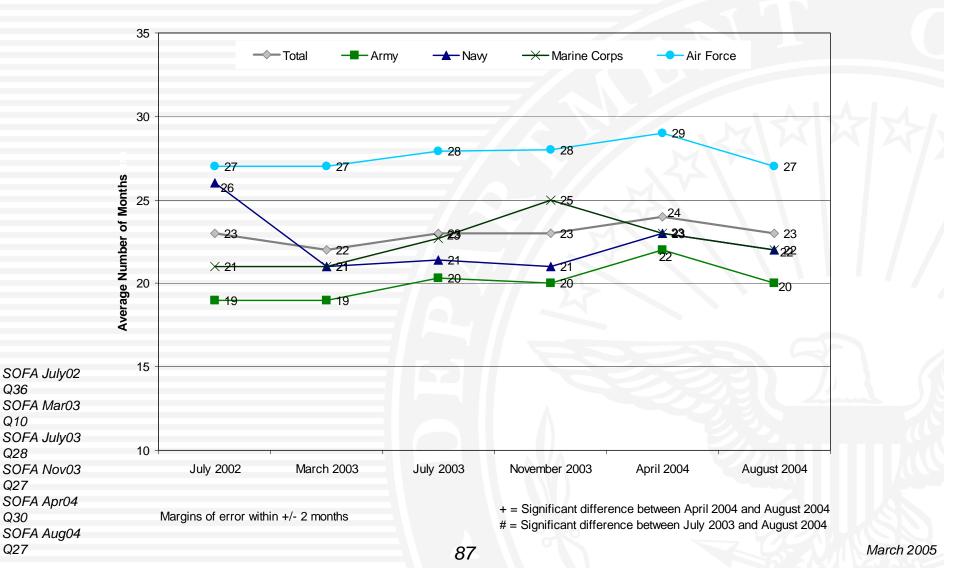
KEY: More than average Less than average	Total	Army	Navy	Marine Corps	Air Force	E1-E4	E5-E9	01-03	04-06	Army Enlisted	Army Officers	Navy Enlisted	Navy Officers	Marine Corps Enlisted	Marine Corps Officers	Air Force Enlisted	Air Force Officers	~
Number of months since last PCS	23	20	22	22	27	15	27	17	21	21	18	22	19	22	20	30	20	

Margins of error within +/- 2 months

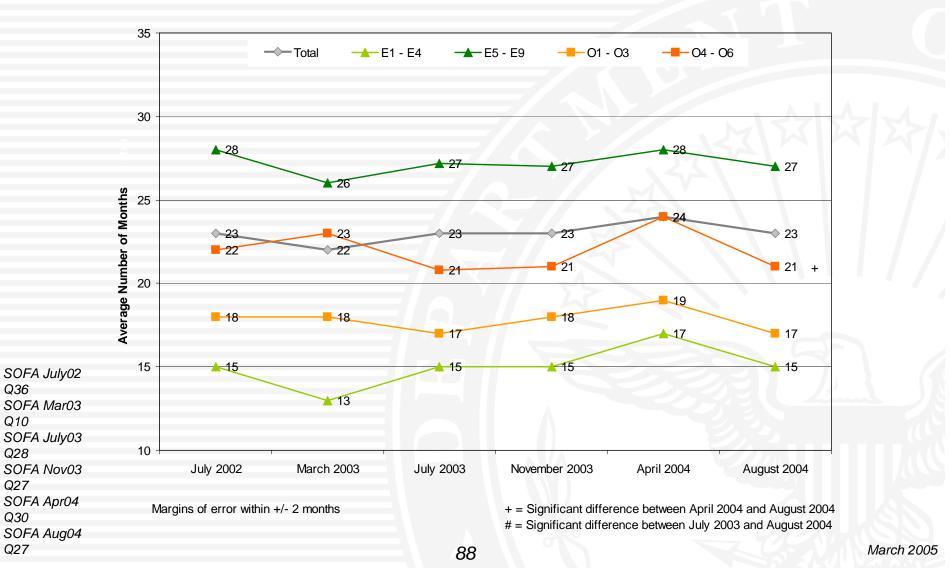
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Number of months since last PCS	23	24	19	20	24	23	23	25	17	26	20	24	19	22	18	23	21	

Margins of error within +/- 3 months

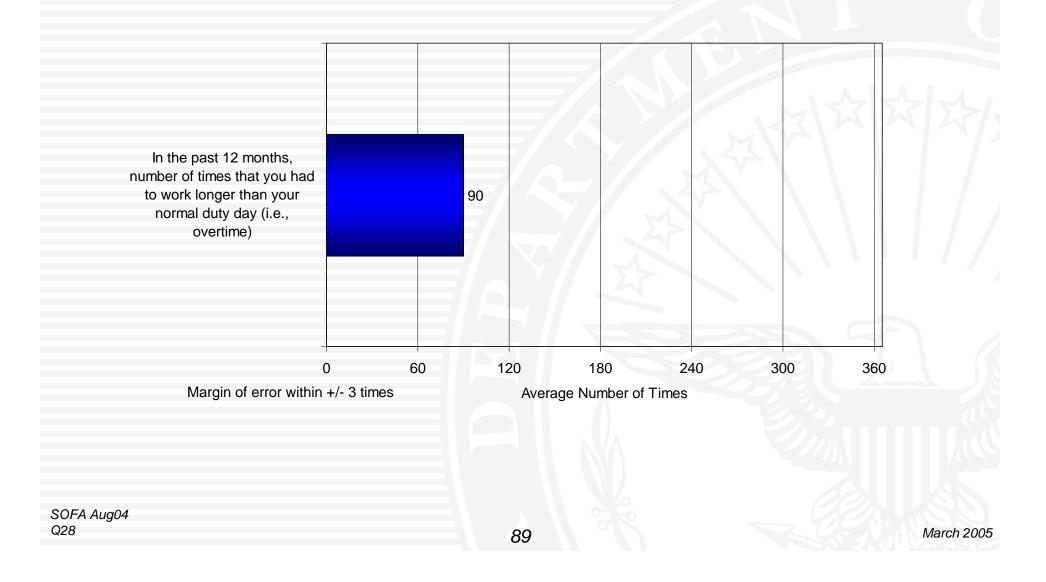
Time Since Last PCS Trends Service Members Who Had at Least One PCS Move



Time Since Last PCS Trends Service Members Who Had at Least One PCS Move



Tempo Worked Longer Than Normal All Service Members



Tempo Worked Longer Than Normal All Service Members

KEY: More than average Less than average	Total	Army	Navy	Marine Corps	Air Force	E1-E4	E5-E9	01-03	04-06	Army Enlisted	Army Officers	Navy Enlisted	Navy Officers	Marine Corps Enlisted	Marine Corps Officers	Air Force Enlisted	Air Force Officers	
Number of times you had to work overtime	90	109	74	94	80	73	94	111	132	103	138	69	104	90	126	72	110	

Margins of error within +/- 8 times

KEY: More than average Less than average	Total	US Based	Overseas	On Base	Off Base	Total Non-Minority	Total Minority	Single w/ Children	Single w/o Children	Married w/ Children	Married w/o Children	Enlisted Male	Officer Male	Enlisted Female	Officer Female	Male	Female	
Number of times you had to work overtime	90	88	99	84	94	97	78	82	76	99	95	88	122	59	105	94	67	

Margins of error within +/- 9 times

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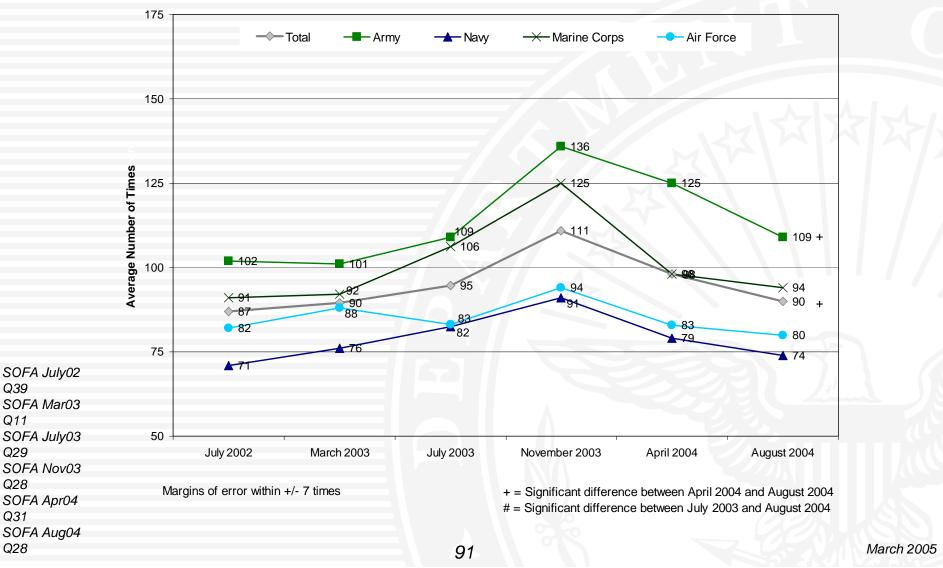
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Tempo

Worked Longer Than Normal Trends

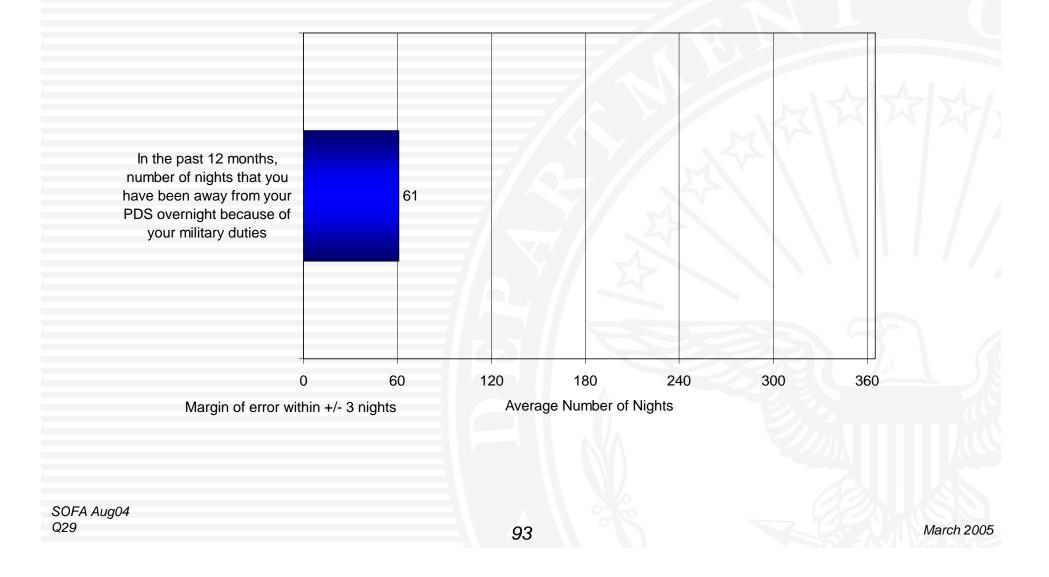
All Service Members



Tempo Worked Longer Than Normal Trends All Service Members

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Tempo Nights Away From PDS All Service Members



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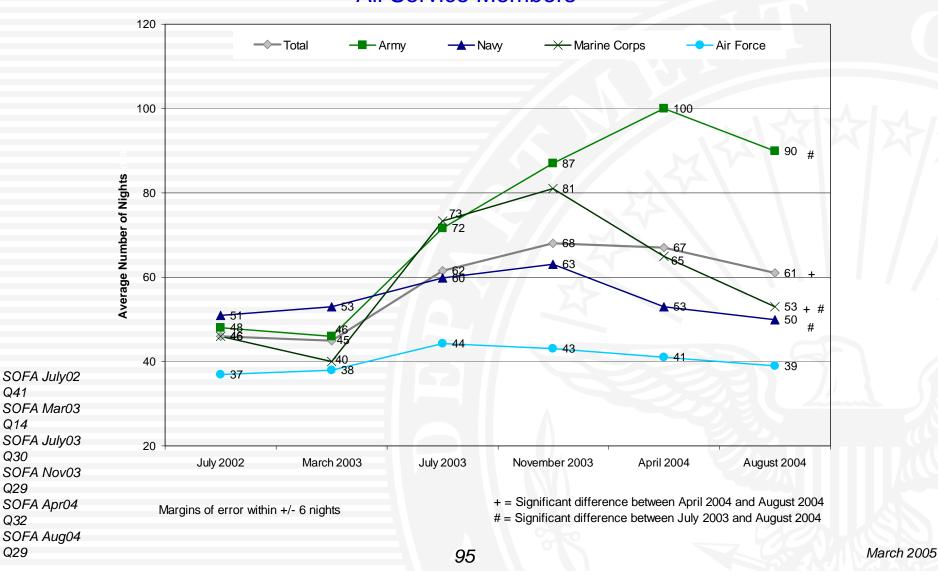
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Nights away from your PDS because of military duties	61	90	50	53	39	54	65	72	54	89	90	48	58	52	67	37	49	

Margins of error within +/- 7 nights

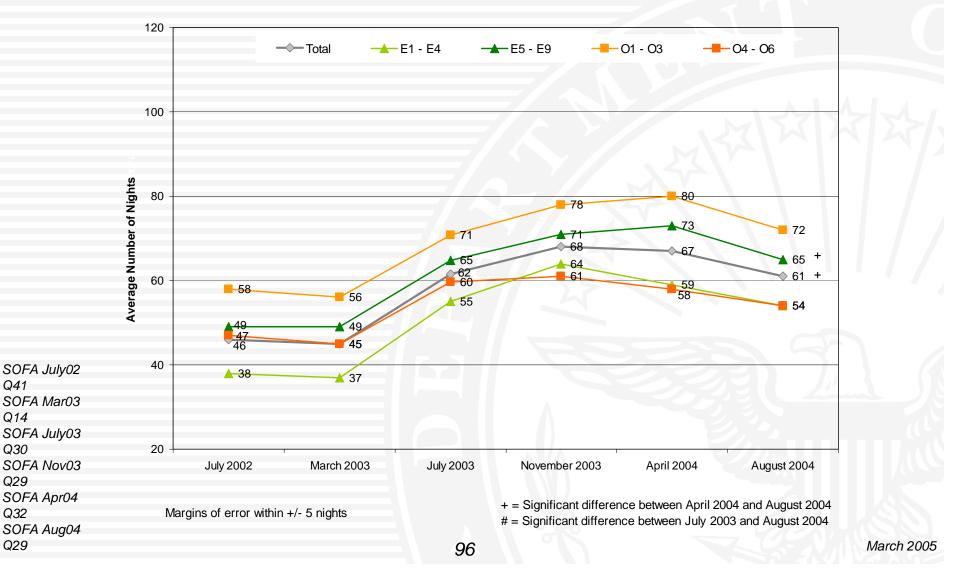
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Nights away from your PDS because of military duties	61	60	62	59	62	62	59	51	54	66	63	63	69	37	54	64	40	

Margins of error within +/- 7 nights

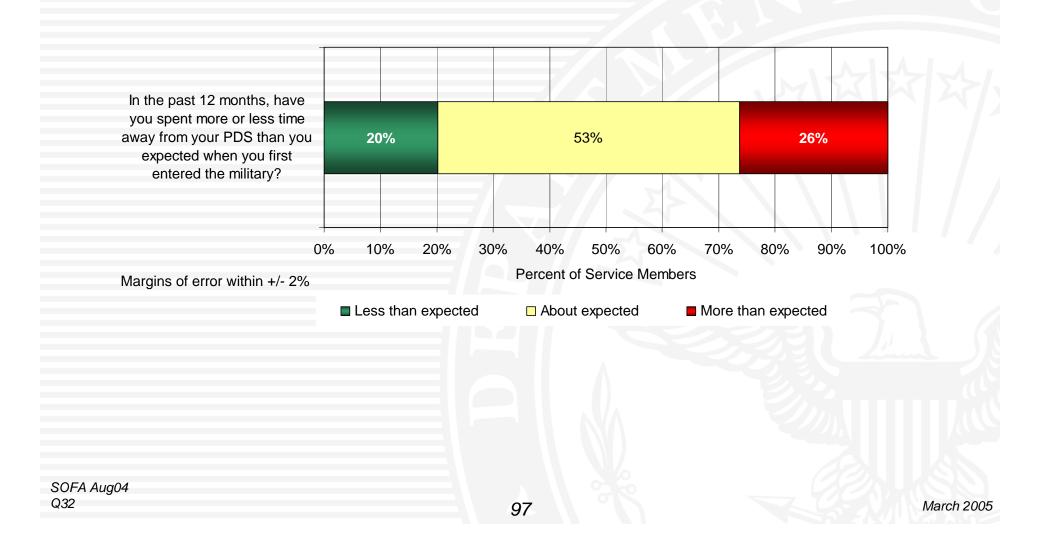
Tempo Nights Away From PDS Trends All Service Members



Tempo Nights Away From PDS Trends All Service Members



Tempo Time Away Versus Expectations All Service Members



Time Away Versus Expectations All Service Members

KEY: Higher response of "Less than expected" Lower response of "Less than expected" Higher response of "More than expected"		Total	Army	Navy	Marine Corps	Air Force	E1-E4	E5-E9	01-03	04-06	Army Enlisted	Army Officers	Navy Enlisted	Navy Officers	Marine Corps Enlisted	Marine Corps Officers	Air Force Enlisted	Air Force Officers
Time away from PDS	Less	20	15	18	24	28	22	19	17	22	14	15	18	17	25	17	29	23
Time away from PDS	More	26	37	24	22	18	24	28	28	22	37	35	25	22	22	22	17	21
Margins of error within +/- 4%		-			•	•	••	•						-		-		

KEY: Higher response of "Less than usual" Lower response of "Less than usual" Higher response of "More than usual"		Total	US Based	Overseas	On Base	Off Base	Total Non-Minority	Total Minority	Single w/ Children	Single w/o Children	Married w/ Children	Married w/o Children	Enlisted Male	Officer Male	Enlisted Female	Officer Female	Male	Female	
Time away from PDS	Less	20	21	19	20	20	20	21	22	21	19	21	20	18	25	21	20	24	
The away fold FDS	More	26	26	28	27	26	25	29	20	24	29	26	28	27	18	22	28	19	

Margins of error within +/- 4%

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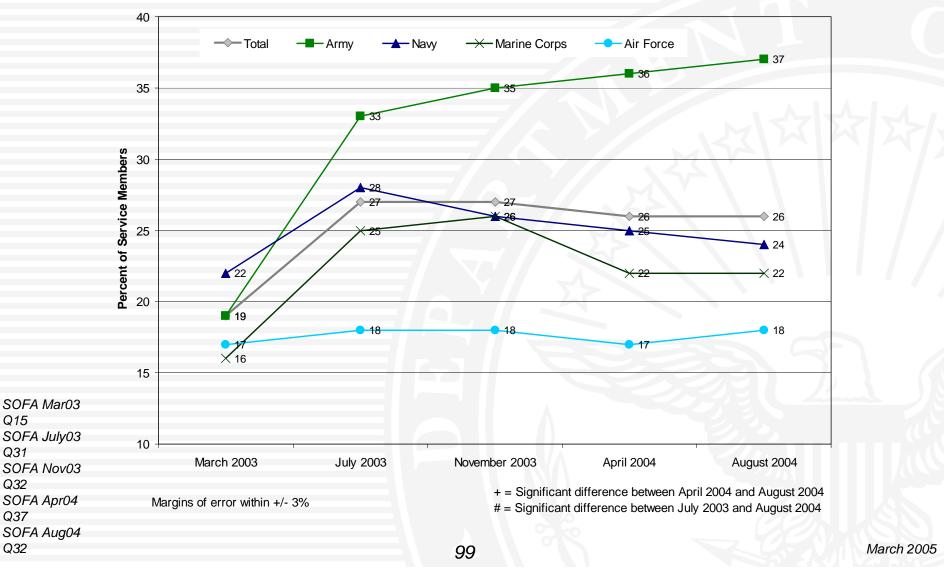
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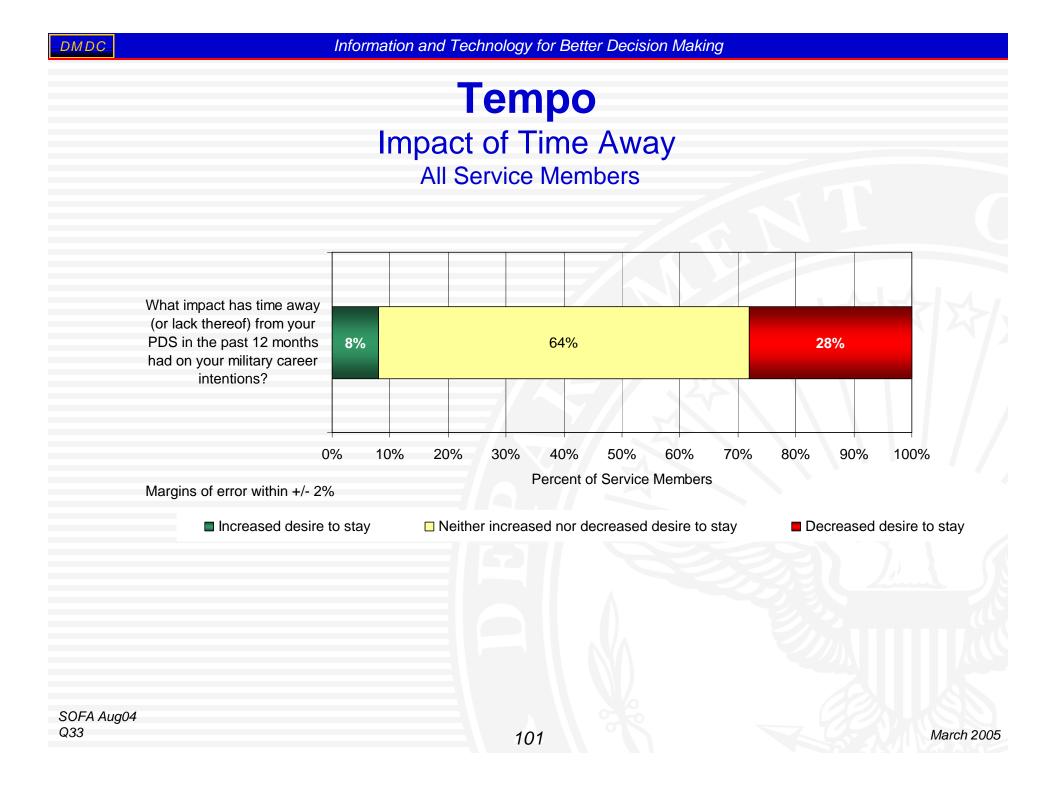
More Time Away Than Expected Trends

All Service Members



More Time Away Than Expected Trends **All Service Members**





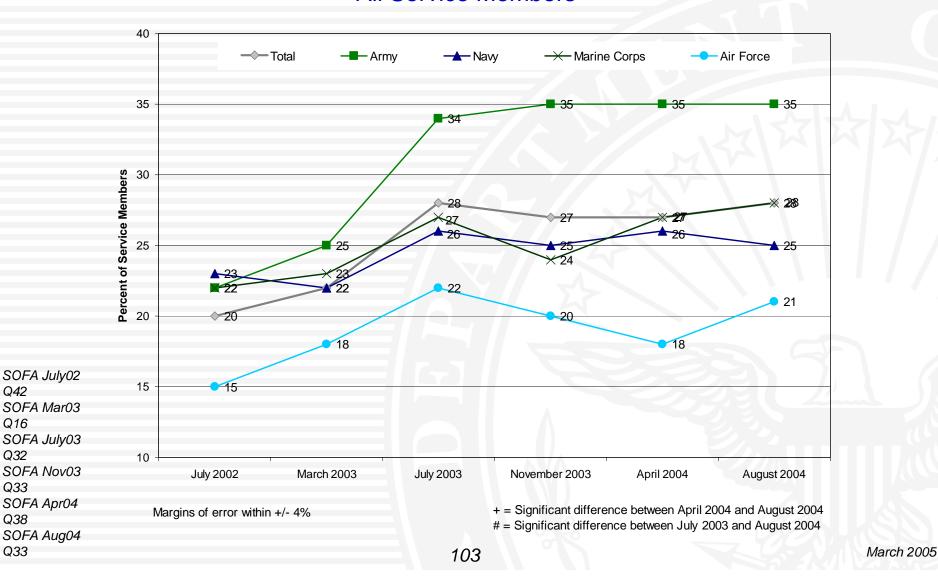
Tempo Impact of Time Away All Service Members

KEY: More likely to increase desire to stay Less likely to increase desire to stay More likely to decrease desire to stay		Total	Army	Navy	Marine Corps	Air Force	E1-E4	E5-E9	01-03	04-06	Army Enlisted	Army Officers	Navy Enlisted	Navy Officers	Marine Corps Enlisted	Marine Corps Officers	Air Force Enlisted	Air Force Officers	
Impact of time away on	Increased	8	7	9	9	9	9	8	8	6	7	5	10	7	10	7	9	9	
desire to stay	Decreased	28	35	25	28	21	32	26	27	16	36	31	25	21	29	19	22	17	
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Impact of time away on	Increased	8	9	7	9	8	7	10	8	9	8	8	9	7	8	9	8	8	
desire to stay	Decreased	28	27	29	30	26	27	28	25	31	26	29	29	23	25	21	28	24	
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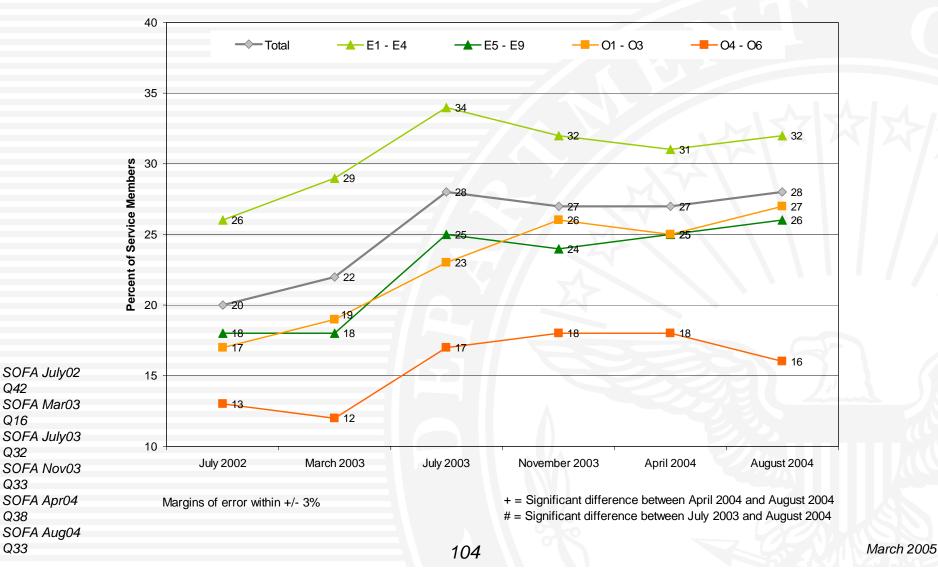
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Time Away Decreased Desire To Stay Trends All Service Members



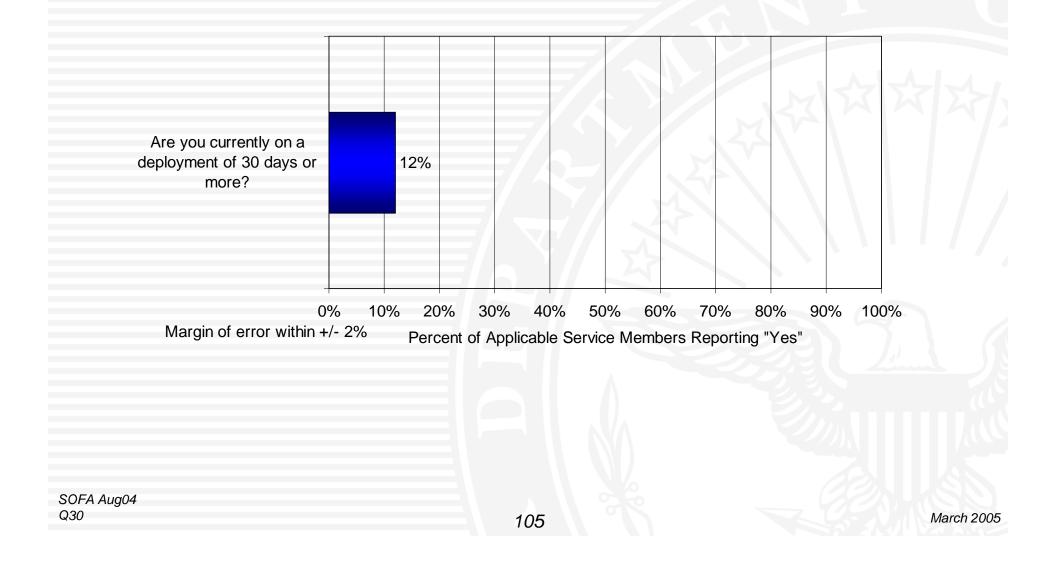
Time Away Decreased Desire To Stay Trends

All Service Members



Deployed for 30 Days or More

Service Members Who Were Away From PDS at Least One Night in Past 12 Months



Deployed for 30 Days or More

Service Members Who Were Away From PDS at Least One Night in Past 12 Months

KEY: Higher response of "Yes" Lower response of "Yes"		Total	Army	Navy	Marine Corps	Air Force	E1-E4	E5-E9	01-03	04-06	Army Enlisted	Army Officers	Navy Enlisted	Navy Officers	Marine Corps Enlisted	Marine Corps Officers	Air Force Enlisted	Air Force Officers
Currently deployed for 30 days or more	Yes	12	18	11	9	4	15	11	9	5	19	14	13	7	10	7	4	3
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KEY: Higher response of "Yes" Lower response of "Yes"		Total	US Based	Overseas	On Base	Off Base	Total Non-Minority	Total Minority	Single w/ Children	Single w/o Children	Married w/ Children	Married w/o Children	Enlisted Male	Officer Male	Enlisted Female	Officer Female	Male	Female

Leading Indicators and Related Items

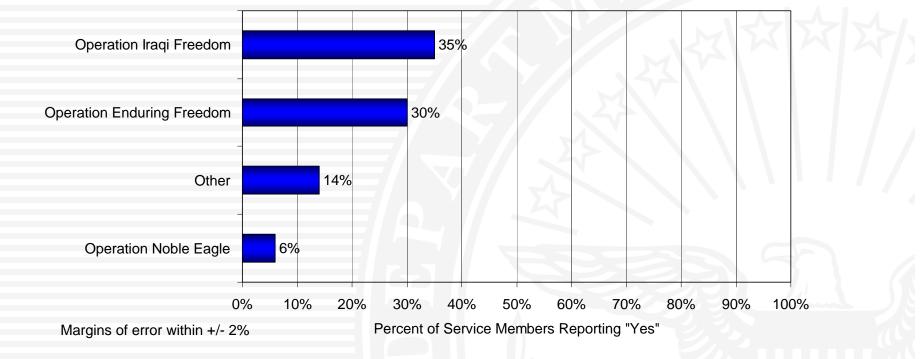
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March 2005

Global War on Terrorism

Participated in Global War on Terrorism (GWOT) Operations Since 9-11-2001

All Service Members



Note: 51% reported participating in any operation in support of the GWOT.

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Participated in Global War on Terrorism (GWOT) Operations Since 9-11-2001

All Service Members

KEY: Higher response of "Yes" Lower response of "Yes"		Total	Army	Navy	Marine Corps	Air Force	E1-E4	E5-E9	01-03	04-06	Army Enlisted	Army Officers	Navy Enlisted	Navy Officers	Marine Corps Enlisted	Marine Corps Officers	Air Force Enlisted	Air Force Officers	<7
Operation Iraqi Freedom	Yes	35	47	33	31	24	34	38	31	26	48	40	34	28	31	32	25	20	
Operation Enduring Freedom	Yes	30	26	38	23	29	25	36	26	26	27	24	39	34	23	25	30	25	
Other	Yes	14	11	19	14	12	11	17	12	13	11	11	20	17	14	16	13	11	
Operation Noble Eagle	Yes	6	2	11	2	7	2	9	7	8	2	5	11	10	2	4	7	9	

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Participated in Global War on Terrorism (GWOT) Operations Since 9-11-2001

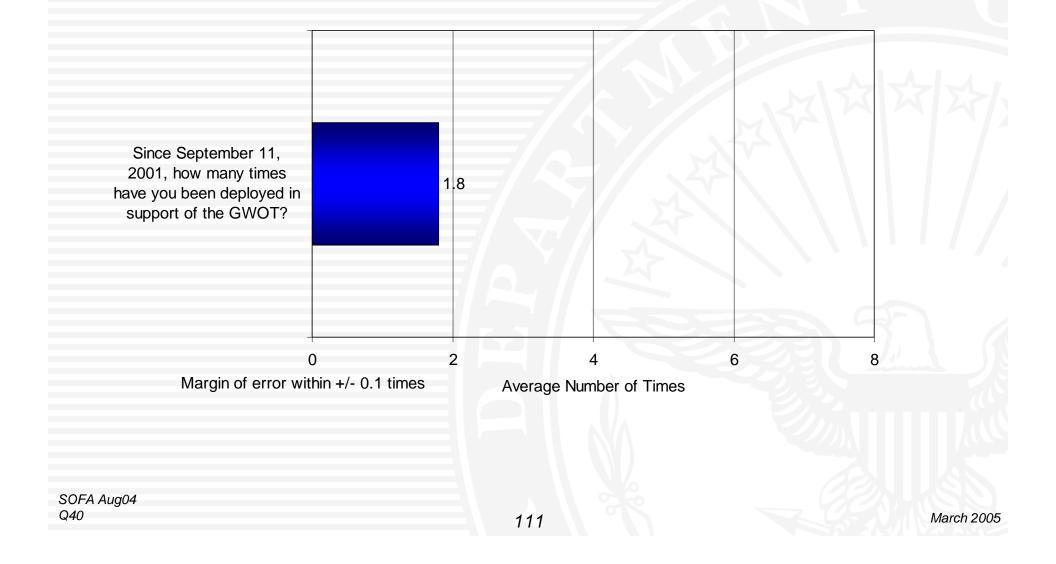
All Service Members

KEY: Higher response of "Yes" Lower response of "Yes"		Total	US Based	Overseas	On Base	Off Base	Total Non-Minority	Total Minority	Single w/ Children	Single w/o Children	Married w/ Children	Married w/o Children	Enlisted Male	Officer Male	Enlisted Female	Officer Female	Male	Female
Operation Iraqi Freedom	Yes	35	36	32	33	36	35	36	34	33	36	36	38	31	23	23	37	23
Operation Enduring Freedom	Yes	30	31	23	24	34	29	31	33	26	32	32	32	28	23	18	31	22
Other	Yes	14	14	14	11	16	14	14	14	13	16	13	15	14	9	8	15	8
Operation Noble Eagle	Yes	6	7	3	3	8	6	6	7	4	8	5	6	8	3	4	6	3

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Number of Times Deployed Service Members Away for GWOT Since 9-11-2001



Number of Times Deployed Service Members Away for GWOT Since 9-11-2001

KEY: More than average Less than average	Total	Army	Navy	Marine Corps	Air Force	E1-E4	E5-E9	01-03	04-06	Army Enlisted	Army Officers	Navy Enlisted	Navy Officers	Marine Corps Enlisted	Marine Corps Officers	Air Force Enlisted	Air Force Officers
Since Sept. 11, 2001, number of times deployed in support of the GWOT	1.8	1.5	2.1	1.6	2.1	1.5	1.9	2.0	2.1	1.4	1.7	2.1	2.2	1.5	2.0	2.0	2.5

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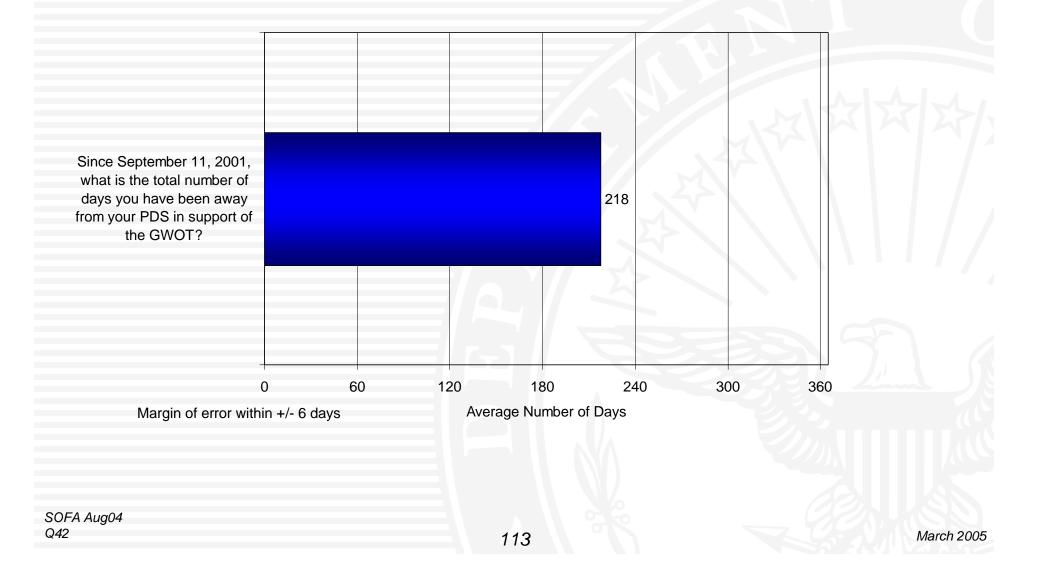
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Since Sept. 11, 2001, number of times leployed in support of the GWOT	1.8	1.8	1.9	1.7	1.9	1.9	1.7	1.8	1.7	1.9	1.8	1.8	2.1	1.5	1.8	1.8	1.6	

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Global War on Terrorism Days Away From PDS

Service Members Away for GWOT Since 9-11-2001



Days Away From PDS Service Members Away for GWOT Since 9-11-2001

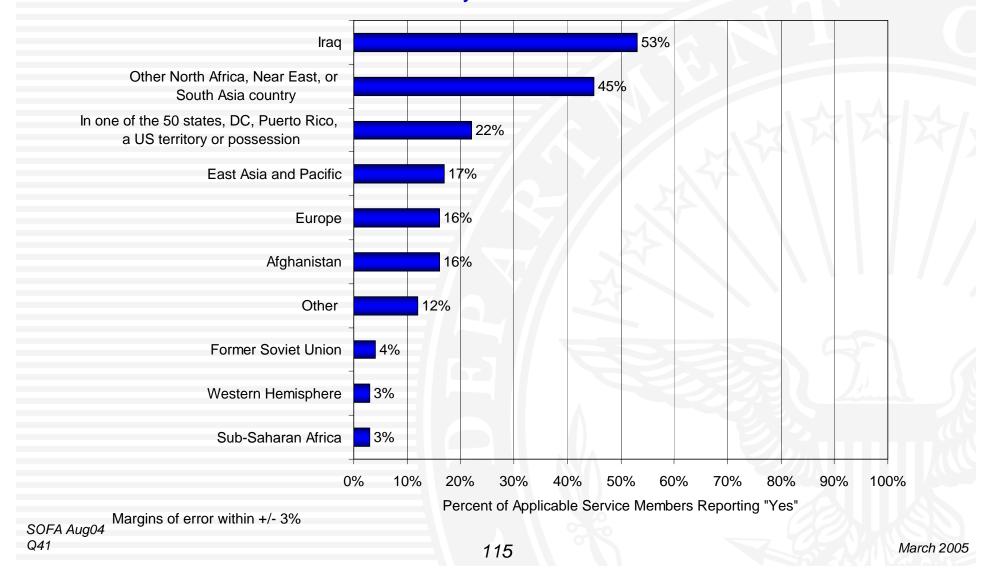
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Since Sept. 11, 2001, total number of days away from PDS in support of the GWOT	218	259	215	204	155	212	223	218	182	259	256	217	201	203	208	156	151	ſ

Margins of error within +/- 14 days

KEY: More than average Less than average	Total	US Based	Overseas	On Base	Off Base	Total Non-Minority	Total Minority	Single w/ Children	Single w/o Children	Married w/ Children	Married w/o Children	Enlisted Male	Officer Male	Enlisted Female	Officer Female	Male	Female
Since Sept. 11, 2001, total number of days away from PDS in support of the GWOT	218	221	202	218	217	218	217	214	213	217	229	223	212	185	198	221	187

Margins of error within +/- 18 days

Deployment Locations Service Members Away for GWOT Since 9-11-2001



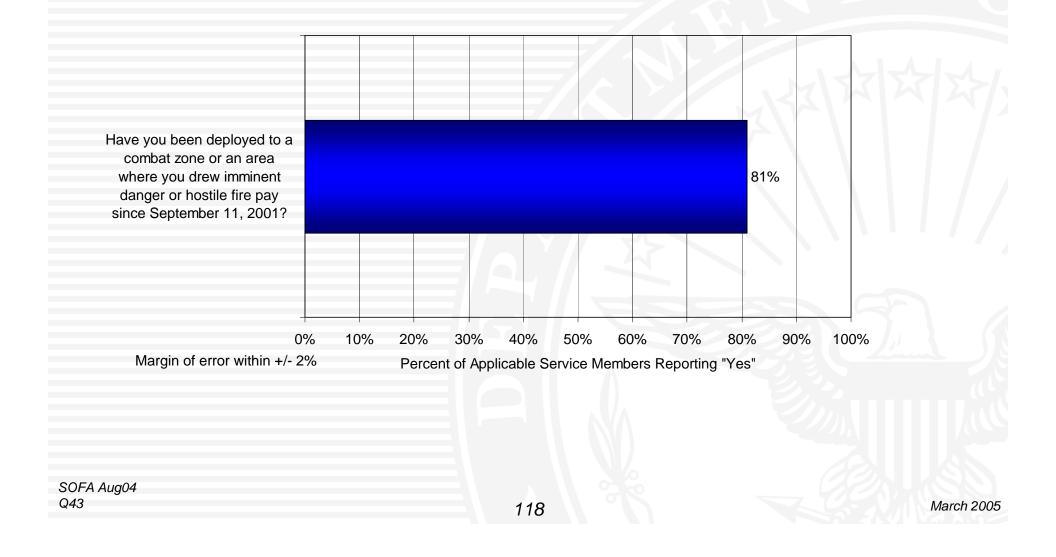
Deployment Locations Service Members Away for GWOT Since 9-11-2001

KEY: Higher response of "Yes" Lower response of "Yes"		Total	Army	Navy	Marine Corps	Air Force	E1-E4	E5-E9	01-03	04-06	Army Enlisted	Army Officers	Navy Enlisted	Navy Officers	Marine Corps Enlisted	Marine Corps Officers	Air Force Enlisted	
Iraq	Yes	53	76	43	59	21	61	50	48	37	79	65	45	36	60	54	21	
Other North Africa, Near East, or South Asia country	Yes	45	32	48	47	62	42	48	43	45	32	32	48	45	47	46	64	
In one of the 50 states, DC, Puerto Rico, a US territory or possession	Yes	22	17	30	29	18	18	24	20	30	16	22	30	27	29	29	17	
East Asia and Pacific	Yes	17	10	30	24	10	15	19	14	15	10	10	30	25	24	25	10	
Europe	Yes	16	15	22	6	14	14	16	19	20	15	19	22	25	5	8	13	T
Afghanistan	Yes	16	14	23	12	12	13	17	15	19	13	17	23	21	11	19	11	
Other	Yes	12	6	19	11	14	12	13	10	10	6	5	19	18	12	6	15	
Former Soviet Union	Yes	4	2	2	3	11	2	5	5	6	2	4	2	1	3	3	11	
Western Hemisphere	Yes	3	1	5	4	2	2	3	3	3	1	3	4	7	3	4	2	
Sub-Saharan Africa	Yes	3	0	5	7	1	3	3	2	3	0	1	6	3	7	7	1	

Deployment Locations Service Members Away for GWOT Since 9-11-2001

KEY: Higher response of "Yes" Lower response of "Yes"		Total	US Based	Overseas	On Base	Off Base	Total Non-Minority	Total Minority	Single w/ Children	Single w/o Children	Married w/ Children	Married w/o Children	Enlisted Male	Officer Male	Enlisted Female	Officer Female	Male	Female
Iraq	Yes	53	53	52	59	49	53	53	43	56	51	58	56	46	43	44	54	43
Other North Africa, Near East, or South Asia country	Yes	45	46	39	41	47	45	44	44	44	45	46	45	43	49	44	44	48
In one of the 50 states, DC, Puerto Rico, a US territory or possession	Yes	22	25	11	18	25	23	21	25	19	24	22	23	25	16	17	23	16
East Asia and Pacific	Yes	17	16	23	18	16	17	18	14	19	17	15	18	15	14	14	17	14
Europe	Yes	16	14	28	14	17	15	17	20	17	16	14	15	20	20	20	16	20
Afghanistan	Yes	16	17	10	14	17	16	16	15	15	16	17	16	19	11	12	16	11
Other	Yes	12	12	12	10	13	12	12	12	11	12	12	12	10	13	7	12	12
Former Soviet Union	Yes	4	4	4	3	5	4	4	3	4	5	3	4	5	4	5	4	4
Western Hemisphere	Yes	3	3	1	2	3	3	2	2	2	3	2	3	3	1	3	3	2
Sub-Saharan Africa	Yes	3	3	1	2	3	2	3	3	3	2	3	3	2	3	0	3	3
Margins of error within +/- 7%									1									

Deployed to Combat Zone or Imminent Danger/Hostile Fire Area Service Members Away for GWOT Since 9-11-2001



Deployed to Combat Zone or Imminent Danger/Hostile Fire Area

Service Members Away for GWOT Since 9-11-2001

KEY: Higher response of "Yes" Lower response of "Yes" Since Sept. 11, 2001, deployed to a combat zone Margins of error within +/- 5%	Yes	L8 Total	<mark>6</mark> Army	K Navy	& Marine Corps	Air Force	E1-E4	g E5-E9	85 01-03	04-06	8 Army Enlisted	8 Army Officers	24 Navy Enlisted	SA Navy Officers	& Marine Corps Enlisted	& Marine Corps Officers	Air Force Enlisted	& Air Force Officers	
KEY: Higher response of "Yes" Lower response of "Yes"		Total	US Based	Overseas	On Base	Off Base	Total Non-Minority	Total Minority	Single w/ Children	Single w/o Children	Married w/ Children	Married w/o Children	Enlisted Male	Officer Male	Enlisted Female	Officer Female	Male	Female	

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Since Sept. 11, 2001, Yes deployed to a combat zone Margins of error within +/- 6%

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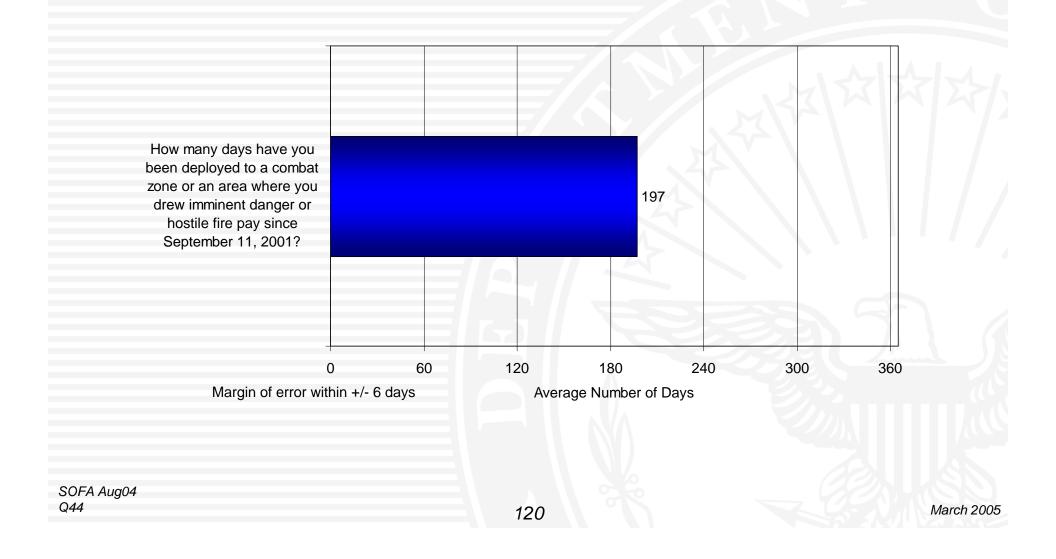
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Days Deployed to Combat Zone

Service Members Deployed to Combat Zone or Imminent Danger/Hostile Fire Area



Days Deployed to Combat Zone

Service Members Deployed to Combat Zone or Imminent Danger/Hostile Fire Area

KEY: More than average Less than average	Total	Army	Navy	Marine Corps	Air Force	E1-E4	E5-E9	01-03	04-06	Army Enlisted	Army Officers	Navy Enlisted	Navy Officers	Marine Corps Enlisted	Marine Corps Officers	Air Force Enlisted	Air Force Officers	
Since Sept. 11, 2001, days deployed to a combat zone	197	258	147	161	151	193	203	190	168	260	246	148	139	160	170	154	142	

Margins of error within +/- 16 days

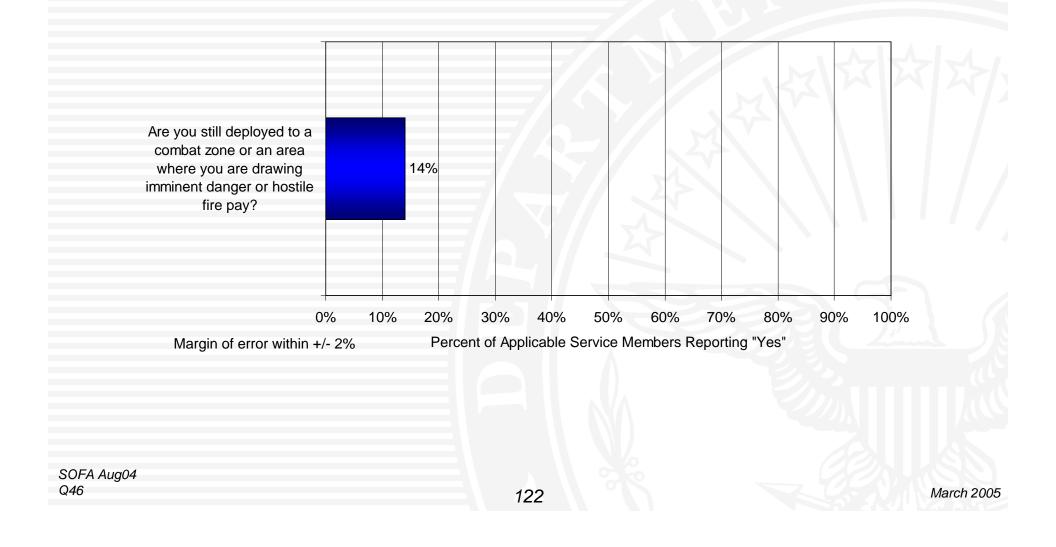
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Since Sept. 11, 2001, days deployed to a combat zone	197	195	210	207	192	195	201	199	190	200	203	201	189	176	187	199	178	

Margins of error within +/- 18 days

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Currently Deployed to Combat Zone

Service Members Deployed to Combat Zone or Imminent Danger/Hostile Fire Area



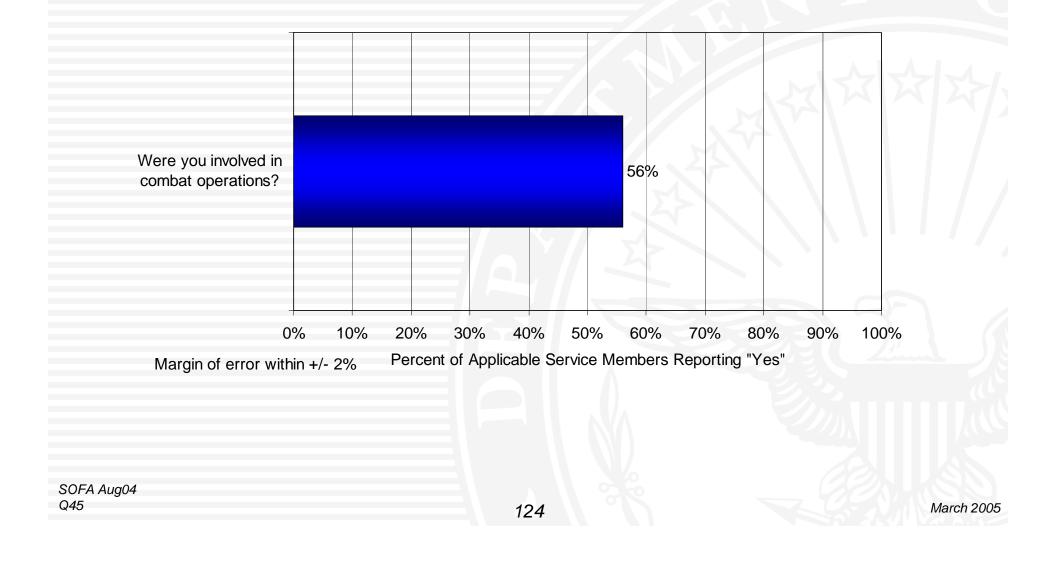
Currently Deployed to Combat Zone

Service Members Deployed to Combat Zone or Imminent Danger/Hostile Fire Area

	Total Army	Navy Marine	Air Force	E1-E4	E5-E9	01-03	04-06	Army Enlisted	Army Officers	Navy Enlisted	Navy Officers	Marine Corps	Marine Corps Officers	Air Force Enlisted	Air Force Officers
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Involved in Combat Operations Service Members Away for GWOT Since 9-11-2001



Involved in Combat Operations Service Members Away for GWOT Since 9-11-2001

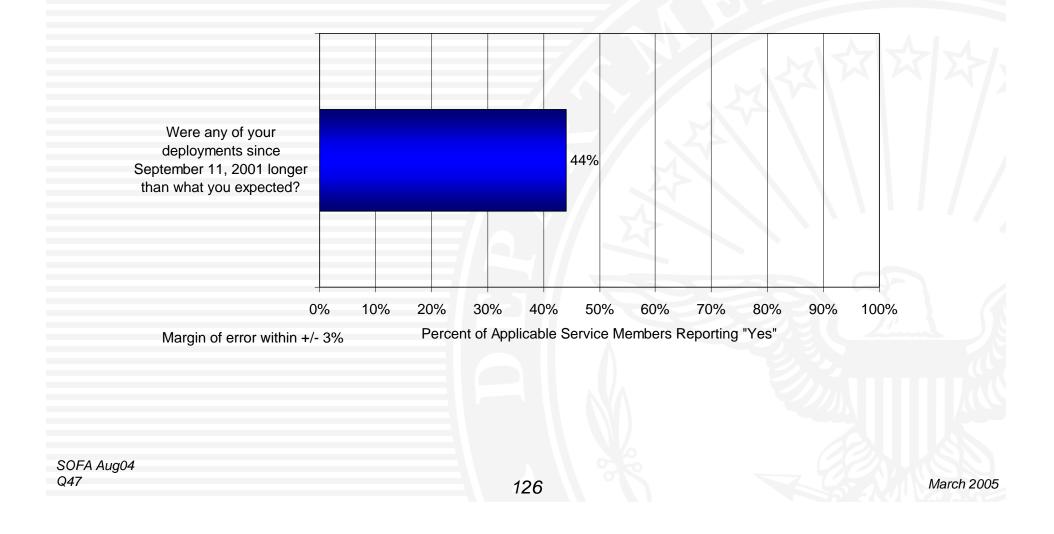
_	KEY: her response of "Yes" ver response of "Yes"		Total	Army	Navy	Marine Corps	Air Force	E1-E4	E5-E9	01-03	04-06	Army Enlisted	Army Officers	Navy Enlisted	Navy Officers	Marine Corps Enlisted	Marine Corps Officers	Air Force Enlisted	Air Force Officers
	ved in combat ations	Yes	56	73	47	54	37	56	55	61	46	74	66	47	46	54	59	35	49
Marg	jins of error within +/- 6	5%																	

KEY: Higher response of "Yes" Lower response of "Yes"		Total	US Based	Overseas	On Base	Off Base	Total Non-Minority	Total Minority	Single w/ Children	Single w/o Children	Married w/ Children	Married w/o Children	Enlisted Male	Officer Male	Enlisted Female	Officer Female	Male	Female	3
Involved in combat operations	Yes	56	56	53	58	54	57	53	47	55	56	59	57	57	40	49	57	41	

Margins of error within +/- 7%

DMDC

Global War on Terrorism Deployments Since 9-11-2001 Longer Than Expected Service Members Away for GWOT Since 9-11-2001



Deployments Since 9-11-2001 Longer Than Expected

Service Members Away for GWOT Since 9-11-2001

KEY: Higher response of "Yes" Lower response of "Yes"		Total	Army	Navy	Marine Corps	Air Force	E1-E4	E5-E9	01-03	04-06	Army Enlisted	Army Officers	Navy Enlisted	Navy Officers	Marine Corps Enlisted	Marine Corps Officers	Air Force Enlisted	Air Force Officers	
Since Sept. 11, 2001, deployments longer than expected Margins of error within +/- 6%	Yes	44	50	45	33	37	44	44	43	34	51	45	46	37	34	32	36	38	
KEY: Higher response of "Yes" Lower response of "Yes"		Total	US Based	Overseas	On Base	Off Base	Total Non-Minority	Total Minority	Single w/ Children	Single w/o Children	Married w/ Children	Married w/o Children	Enlisted Male	Officer Male	Enlisted Female	Officer Female	Male	Female	

Since Sept. 11, 2001, deployments Yes longer than expected

Margins of error within +/- 7%

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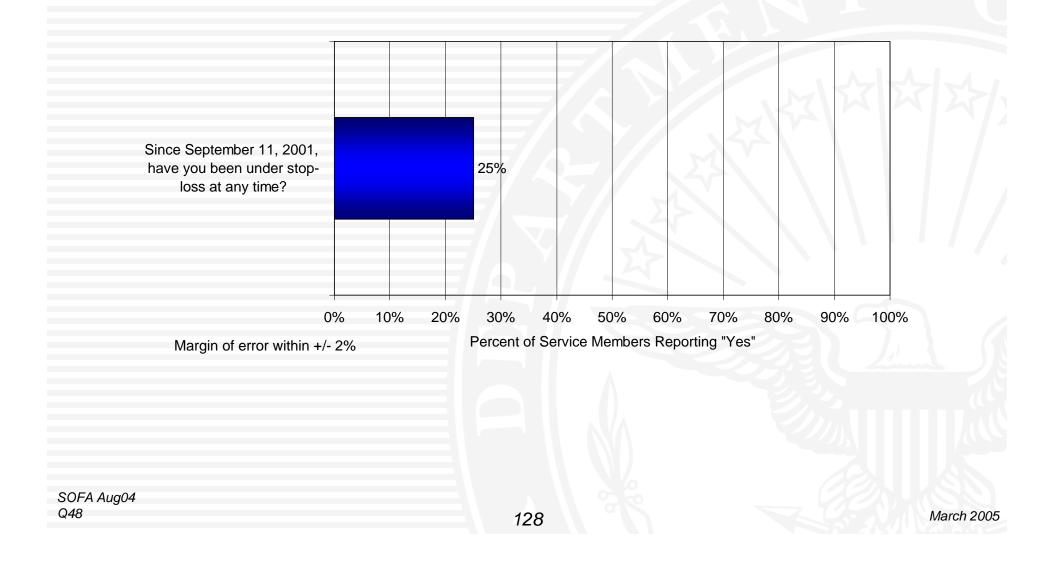
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Global War on Terrorism Members Under Stop-Loss Since 9-11-2001

All Service Members



Global War on Terrorism Members Under Stop-Loss Since 9-11-2001

All Service Members

KEY: Higher response of "Yes" Lower response of "Yes"		Total	Army	Navy	Marine Corps	Air Force	E1-E4	E5-E9	01-03	04-06	Army Enlisted	Army Officers	Navy Enlisted	Navy Officers	Marine Corps Enlisted	Marine Corps Officers	Air Force Enlisted	Air Force Officers	
Since Sept. 11, 2001, have been under a stop-loss	Yes	25	42	5	21	26	20	30	23	25	43	38	6	5	20	26	26	27	
Margins of error within +/- 4%																			
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KEY: Higher response of "Yes" Lower response of "Yes"		Total	US Based	Overseas	On Base	Off Base	Total Non-Minori	Total Minority	Single w/ Childre	Single w/o Child	Married w/ Childr	Married w/o Child	Enlisted Male	Officer Male	Enlisted Female	Officer Female	Male	Female	
Since Sept. 11, 2001, have been	Yes	25	25	27	24	26	26	24	26	19	30	27	26	27	23	19	26	22	
under a stop-loss																			
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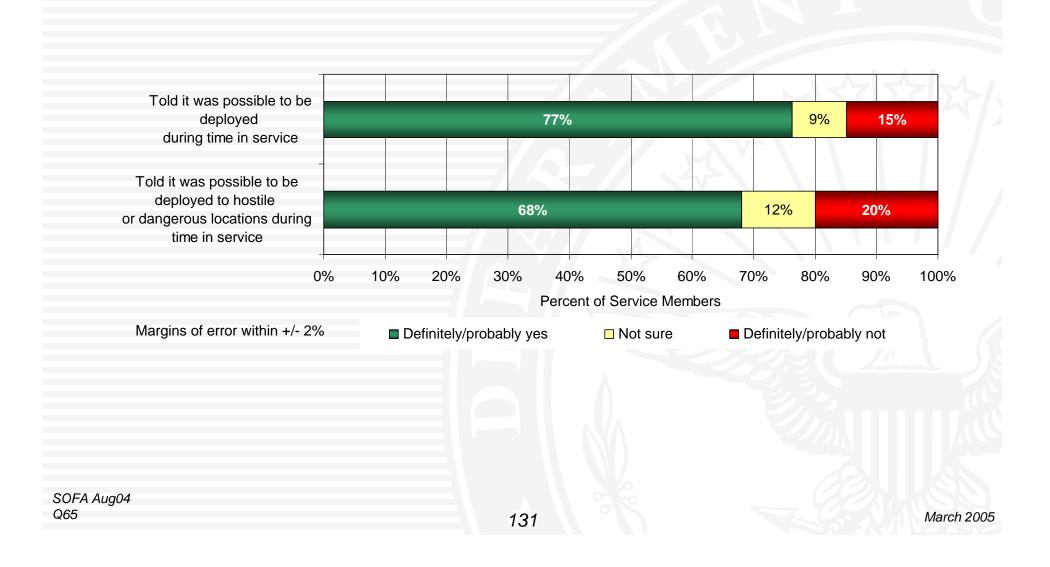
Leading Indicators and Related Items

- Retention
 - Detailed retention
- Satisfaction
 - Detailed satisfaction
- Tempo
 - Global War on Terrorism
 - Deployments and assignments
- Personal and work stress
- Personal and unit preparedness

March 2005

Told About Possibility of Deployments When First Entered Military

All Service Members



Told About Possibility of Deployments When First Entered Military

KEY: More likely to select "Definitely/probably yes" Less likely to select "Definitely/probably yes" More likely to select "Definitely/probably not"		Total	Army	Navy	Marine Corps	Air Force	E1-E4	E5-E9	01-03	04-06	Army Enlisted	Army Officers	Navy Enlisted	Navy Officers	Marine Corps Enlisted	Marine Corps Officers	Air Force Enlisted	Air Force Officers
Told it was possible that you would be	Yes	77	70	85	87	72	77	73	85	85	67	84	84	91	86	97	71	79
deployed	No	15	20	9	8	17	15	17	9	9	22	10	10	5	9	2	18	14
Told it was possible that you would be	Yes	68	66	72	78	64	66	66	78	82	63	79	70	84	76	93	61	74
deployed to hostile/dangerous locations	No	20	23	17	13	23	21	22	13	12	25	13	18	9	14	2	24	18
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KEY: More likely to select "Definitely/probably yes" Less likely to select "Definitely/probably yes" More likely to select "Definitely/probably not"	Yes	77	SN 77	74	76	₩0	81	69	68	78	76	78	77	87	64	24 Officer	79	66
KEY: More likely to select "Definitely/probably yes" Less likely to select "Definitely/probably yes" More likely to select "Definitely/probably not" Told it was possible that you would be deployed	No	77 15	SN 77 14	74 18	76 16	#0 77 14	81 11	<mark>69</mark> 21	68 22	78 13	76 15	78 14	77 14	87 8	64 26	6 4 Officer	79 13	66 25
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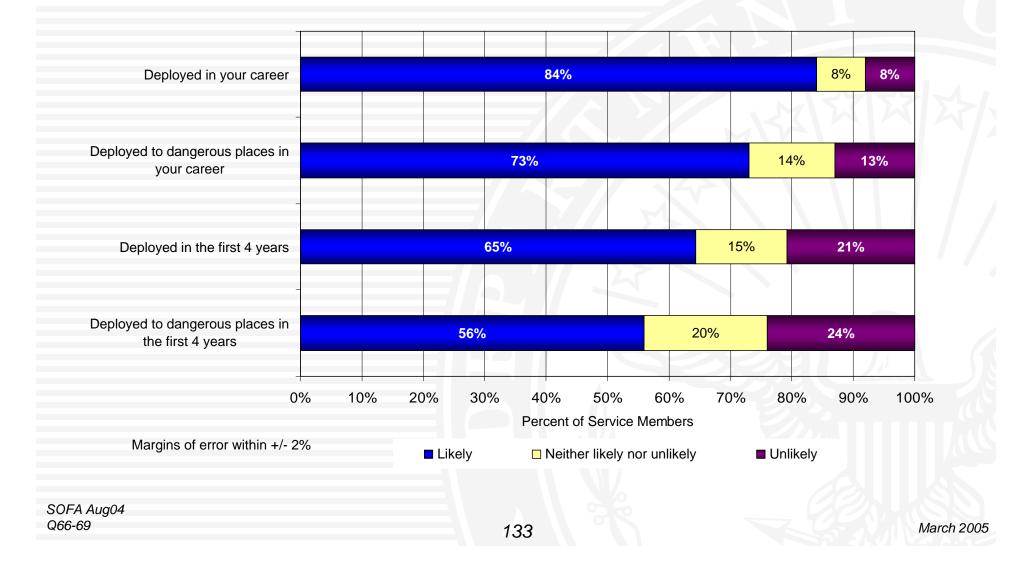
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Expectations About Deployments When First Entered Military

All Service Members



Expectations About Deployments When First Entered Military

All Service Members

KEY: More likely Loss likely More unlikely		Total	Army	Navy	Marine Corps	Air Force	E1-E4	E5-E9	01-03	04-06	Army Enlisted	Army Officers	Navy Enlisted	Navy Officers	Marine Corps Enlisted	Marine Corps Officers	Air Force Enlisted	Air Force Officere
Deployed in your career	Likely	84	80	91	90	81	84	84	88	86	79	86	91	94	89	97	81	8
Deployed III your career	Unlikely	8	10	3	4	11	7	8	8	9	10	7	3	4	4	2	10	1
Deployed to dangerous places in	Likely	73	73	76	79	66	72	72	77	75	72	79	75	81	78	92	66	6
your career	Unlikely	13	14	10	8	17	12	14	12	13	14	10	11	10	8	3	16	1
Deployed in the first 4 years	Likely	65	53	81	82	56	72	60	65	58	53	52	81	81	82	86	57	Ę
Deployed in the first 4 years	Unlikely	21	29	10	9	26	16	24	21	29	30	29	10	12	9	8	24	
Deployed to dangerous places in	Likely	56	53	63	67	48	63	51	56	50	53	51	63	62	66	73	49	4
the first 4 years	Unlikely	24	28	18	15	31	20	27	27	32	28	29	17	21	15	14	29	

Expectations About Deployments When First Entered Military

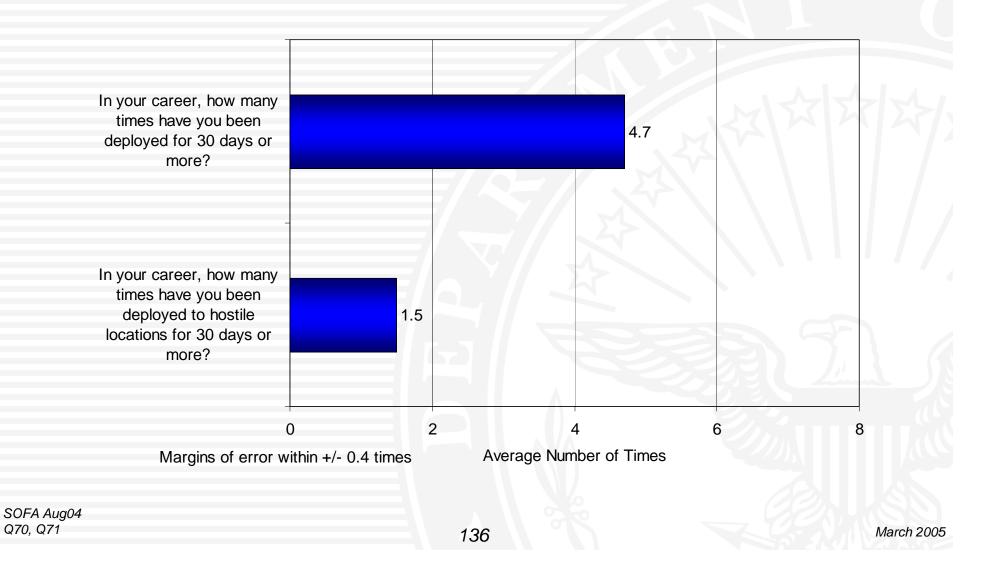
All Service Members

KEY: More likely Loss likely More unlikely		Total	US Based	Overseas	On Base	Off Base	Total Non-Minority	Total Minority	Single w/ Children	Single w/o Children	Married w/ Children	Married w/o Children	Enlisted Male	Officer Male	Enlisted Female	Officer Female	Male	Female
Deployed in your career	Likely	84	85	83	84	85	87	80	80	85	84	85	86	89	72	74	87	72
Deployed III your career	Unlikely	8	7	8	8	8	7	9	9	7	8	8	6	6	15	18	6	16
Deployed to dangerous places in	Likely	73	73	73	73	72	76	68	65	73	73	73	75	80	54	57	76	55
your career	Unlikely	13	13	13	12	13	12	15	18	11	13	13	11	10	24	27	11	25
Doployed in the first 4 years	Likely	65	65	63	67	63	67	60	55	71	60	65	68	64	51	44	67	50
Deployed in the first 4 years	Unlikely	21	21	20	19	22	19	23	25	15	24	22	18	22	30	39	19	32
Deployed to dangerous places in	Likely	56	56	57	60	53	58	52	48	62	53	54	59	57	40	34	59	39
the first 4 years	Unlikely	24	25	23	22	26	24	26	30	19	27	26	21	26	37	48	22	39

Margins of error within +/- 4%

Times Deployed for at Least 30 Days During Career

All Service Members



Deployments and Assignments Times Deployed for at Least 30 Days During Career

All Service Members

KEY: More than average Less than average	Total	Army	Navy	Marine Corps	Air Force	E1-E4	E5-E9	01-03	04-06	Army Enlisted	Army Officers	Navy Enlisted	Navy Officers	Marine Corps Enlisted	Marine Corps Officers	Air Force Enlisted	Air Force Officers
Times deployed for 30 days or more	4.7	4.9	6.7	4.1	2.9	1.4	7.5	3.2	6.4	4.7	5.5	6.7	6.9	3.8	6.5	2.9	2.8
Times deployed to hostile locations for 30 days or more	1.5	1.3	2.1	0.9	1.3	0.6	2.2	1.1	1.9	1.3	1.5	2.2	1.9	0.8	1.3	1.3	1.4

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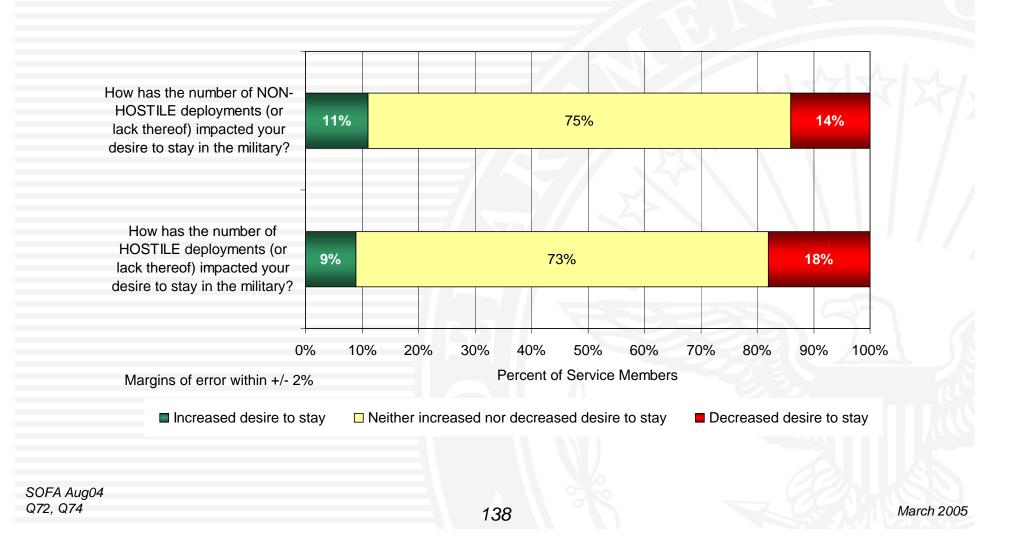
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Times deployed for 30 days or more	4.7	4.9	3.9	3.4	5.6	4.9	4.4	5.6	2.1	7.0	4.0	5.2	5.6	1.7	1.7	5.3	1.7
Times deployed to hostile locations for 30 days or more	1.5	1.5	1.2	1.0	1.8	1.5	1.4	1.7	0.8	2.1	1.2	1.6	1.7	0.7	0.7	1.6	0.7

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Deployments and Assignments Impact of Hostile/Non-Hostile Deployments

All Service Members



Deployments and Assignments Impact of Hostile/Non-Hostile Deployments

All Service Members

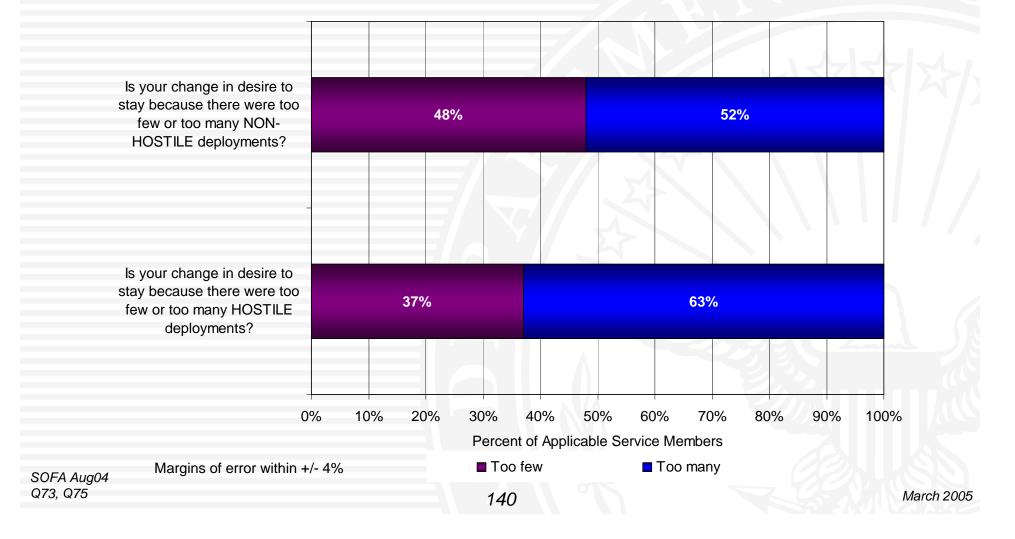
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Impact of number of NON-HOSTILE	Increased	11	9	13	13	10	9	14	9	11	9	8	13	11	13	13	11	9
deployments on desire to stay	Decreased	14	17	11	17	11	16	12	15	11	17	16	11	13	18	14	11	10
Impact of number of HOSTILE	Increased	9	9	11	12	7	8	10	10	13	9	8	10	15	11	20	6	8
deployments on desire to stay	Decreased	18	26	9	16	18	20	17	20	11	26	24	9	8	17	10	18	16
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Impact of number of NON-HOSTILE	Increased	11	11	10	11	11	10	13	11	10	12	11	12	10	9	9	11	9
deployments on desire to stay	Decreased	14	14	14	14	13	14	13	12	15	13	14	14	13	14	13	14	14
Impact of number of HOSTILE	Increased	9	10	7	9	9	9	9	11	8	10	9	9	11	5	6	10	5
deployments on desire to stay	Decreased	18	18	19	19	17	17	19	19	18	18	19	18	15	20	24	17	21
Margins of error within +/- 4%																		

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Change in Desire To Stay Result of Too Few or Too Many Hostile/Non-Hostile Deployments

Service Members Whose Desire To Stay Changed as a Result of Deployments



Change in Desire To Stay Result of Too Few or Too Many Hostile/Non-Hostile Deployments

Service Members Whose Desire To Stay Changed as a Result of Deployments

KEY: More likely to mark Less likely to mark		Total	Army	Navy	Marine Corps	Air Force	E1-E4	E5-E9	01-03	04-06	Army Enlisted	Army Officers	Navy Enlisted	Navy Officers	Marine Corps Enlisted	Marine Corps Officers	Air Force Enlisted	Air Force Officers
Change in desire to stay due to number	Too few	48	38	49	61	54	51	47	41	44	39	27	49	50	62	54	56	48
of NON-HOSTILE deployments	Too many	52	62	51	39	46	49	53	59	56	61	73	51	50	38	46	44	52
Change in desire to stay due to number	Too few	37	25	51	61	34	38	36	35	51	26	22	49	61	60	74	33	38
of HOSTILE deployments	Too many	63	75	49	39	66	62	64	65	49	74	78	51	39	40	26	67	62

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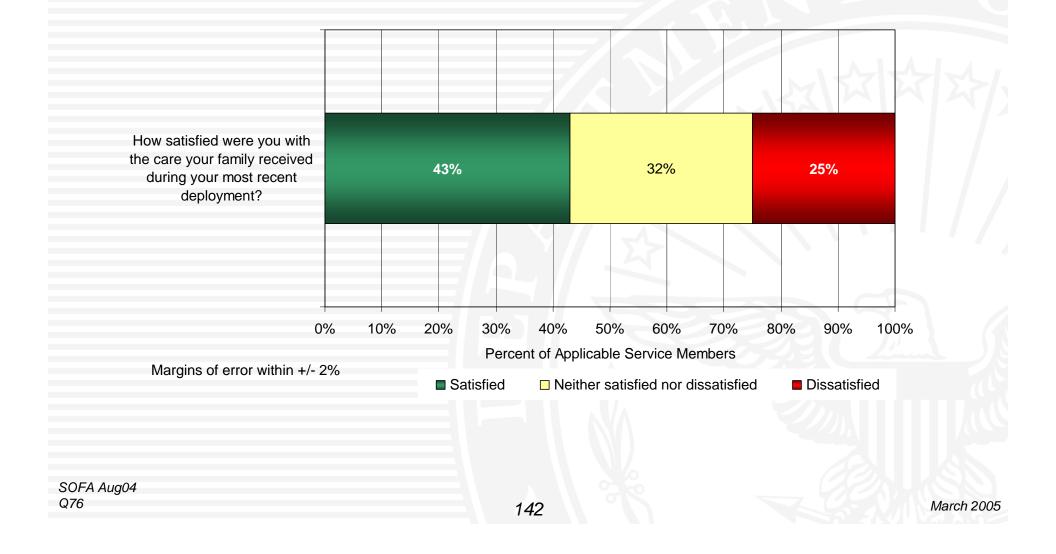
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Change in desire to stay due to number	Too few	48	49	44	51	46	48	48	41	59	40	49	50	41	44	42	49	44
of NON-HOSTILE deployments	Too many	52	51	56	49	54	52	52	59	41	60	51	50	59	56	58	51	56
Change in desire to stay due to number	Too few	37	39	30	40	35	41	31	35	47	33	31	39	43	21	19	40	20
of HOSTILE deployments	Too many	63	61	70	60	65	59	69	65	53	67	69	61	57	79	81	60	80
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Satisfaction With Family Care During Most Recent Deployment

Service Members With Spouse or Dependent(s) During Most Recent Deployment



Satisfaction With Family Care During Most Recent Deployment

Service Members With Spouse or Dependent(s) During Most Recent Deployment

KEY: More satisfied Less satisfied More dissatisfied		Total	Army	Navy	Marine Corps	Air Force	E1-E4	E5-E9	01-03	04-06	Army Enlisted	Army Officers	Navy Enlisted	Navy Officers	Marine Corps Enlisted	Marine Corps Officers	Air Force Enlisted	Air Force Officers
Care family received during	SAT	43	39	49	42	43	29	45	51	63	35	54	47	59	38	62	41	55
most recent deployment	DIS	25	32	18	23	22	32	24	19	14	35	20	18	14	24	12	24	17
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KEY: More satisfied Less satisfied More dissatisfied		otal	S Based	verseas	n Base	ff Base	otal Non-Minority	otal Minority	ngle w/ Children	ngle w/o Children	arried w/ Children	arried w/o Children	nlisted Male	fficer Male	nlisted Female	fficer Female	ale	emale
More satisfied	SAT	total	US Based	80 Overseas	Con Base	A Off Base	는 Total Non-Minority	Total Minority	B Single w/ Children	Single w/o Children	8 Married w/ Children		b Enlisted Male	9 Officer Male	B Enlisted Female	C Officer Female	43 Male	5 Female

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Tempo Summary of Findings

August 2004 Findings

Tempo

- 69% reported having PCSed
 - Led by Air Force, E5-E9, commissioned officer, living overseas, living off base, non-minority, and member with children
- Time since last PCS move averaged 23 months
 - Longer times reported by Air Force, E5-E9, Air Force enlisted, living in the US, living off base, married with children, and enlisted male
- Members reported working longer than normal duty days an average of 90 days in the past 12 months
 - More than average led by Army, commissioned officer, living overseas, living off base, non-minority, married with children, and male
- Members reported an average of 61 days away from PDS in the past 12 months
 - More than average led by Army, E5-E9, O1-O3, married with children, and male

August 2004 Findings (continued)

- 26% reported being away more and 20% reported being away less than expected
 - More time away than expected led by Army, minority, married with children, enlisted male, and male
 - Less time away than expected led by Marine Corps, Air Force, E1-E4, Marine Corps enlisted, Air Force enlisted, enlisted female, and female
- 28% reported time away decreased desire to stay
 - Led by Army, E1-E4, Army enlisted, single without children, enlisted male, and male
- 12% of Service members who were away from their PDS at least one night in the past 12 months reported being currently deployed for 30 days or more
 - Led by Army, E1-E4, Army enlisted, living overseas, living on base, enlisted male, and male

August 2004 Findings (continued)

GWOT

- 51% of members reported participation in GWOT operations since 9-11-2001
 - Highest participation reported for Operation Iraqi Freedom
 - Lowest participation reported for Operation Noble Eagle
- Service members away for GWOT since 9-11-2001 reported being away an average of 1.8 times and an average of 218 days
 - Number of times led by Navy, Air Force, O4-O6, Navy enlisted, Air Force officer, living off base, non-minority, officer male, and male
 - Number of days led by Army, living in the US, enlisted male, and male

August 2004 Findings (continued)

- 81% of Service members away for GWOT since 9-11-2001 reported being deployed to combat zone or imminent danger/hostile fire area
 - They reported being deployed an average of 197 days since 9-11-2001
 - 14% reported still being deployed
- 56% of Service members away for GWOT since 9-11-2001 reported being involved in combat operations
 - Led by Army, O1-O3, enlisted male, and male
- 44% of Service members away for GWOT since 9-11-2001 reported deployments have been longer than expected
 - Led by Army, Army enlisted, and minority
- 25% of Service members reported being under stop-loss at some time since 9-11-2001
 - Led by Army, E5-E9, married with children, and male

August 2004 Findings (continued)

Deployments and Assignments

- Deployment information and expectations when first entered the military
 - 77% were told deployment was possible
 - 84% thought it likely during their career
 - 65% thought it likely in the first 4 years
- Deployment information and expectations to hostile or dangerous locations
 - 68% were told deployment to hostile or dangerous locations was possible
 - 73% thought it likely during their career
 - 56% thought it likely in the first 4 years
- Service members reported they had been on deployments of at least 30 days an average of 4.7 times, and on hostile location deployments an average of 1.5 times during their careers

August 2004 Findings (continued)

- 11% reported number of non-hostile deployments increased their desire to stay in the military and 14% reported it decreased their desire to stay
 - Of those, 48% reported their change in desire to stay was a result of *too few* deployments
 - Of those, 52% reported their change in desire to stay was a result of *too many* deployments
- 9% reported number of hostile deployments increased their desire to stay in the military and 18% reported it decreased their desire to stay
 - Of those, 37% reported their change in desire to stay was a result of too few deployments
 - Of those, 63% reported their change in desire to stay was a result of too many deployments

August 2004 Findings (continued)

- 43% of members with spouse or dependent(s) satisfied with family care during their most recent deployment; 25% dissatisfied
 - Satisfaction led by Navy, commissioned officer, living in the US, and married with children
 - Dissatisfaction led by Army, E1-E4, Army enlisted, and enlisted male

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April 2004 – August 2004 Trends

- Average number of times worked longer than normal duty days decreased by 8 days
 - Led by Army and E5-E9
- Average number of nights away from PDS decreased by 6 nights
 - Led by Marine Corps and E5-E9

July 2003 – August 2004 Trends

- Average number of nights away from PDS
 - Increased by 18 nights for Army
 - Decreased by 10 nights for Navy and by 20 nights for Marine Corps

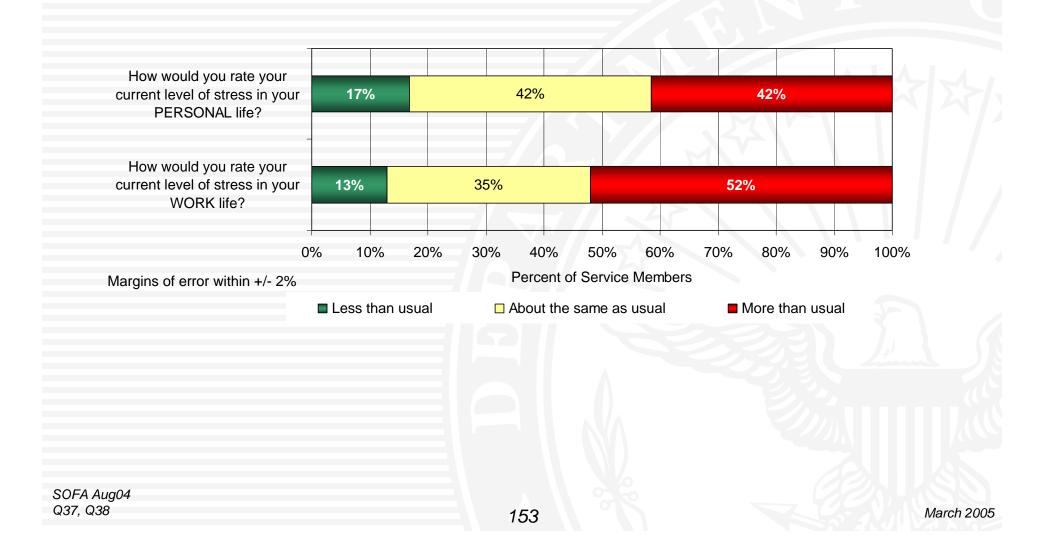
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Leading Indicators and Related Items

- Retention
 - Detailed retention
- Satisfaction
 - Detailed satisfaction
- Tempo
 - Global War on Terrorism
 - Deployments and assignments
- Personal and work stress
- Personal and unit preparedness

Current Level of Stress

All Service Members



Current Level of Stress

All Service Members

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Current level of stress in	Less	17	15	18	15	18	16	18	16	12	15	15	19	15	15	11	19	14	
your PERSONAL life	More	42	49	40	43	34	45	41	36	39	50	40	41	39	44	35	34	35	
Current level of stress in	Less	13	12	16	12	11	11	15	14	14	12	14	16	17	11	15	11	11	
your WORK life	More	52	54	53	52	50	57	50	47	49	55	50	54	46	53	46	50	49	
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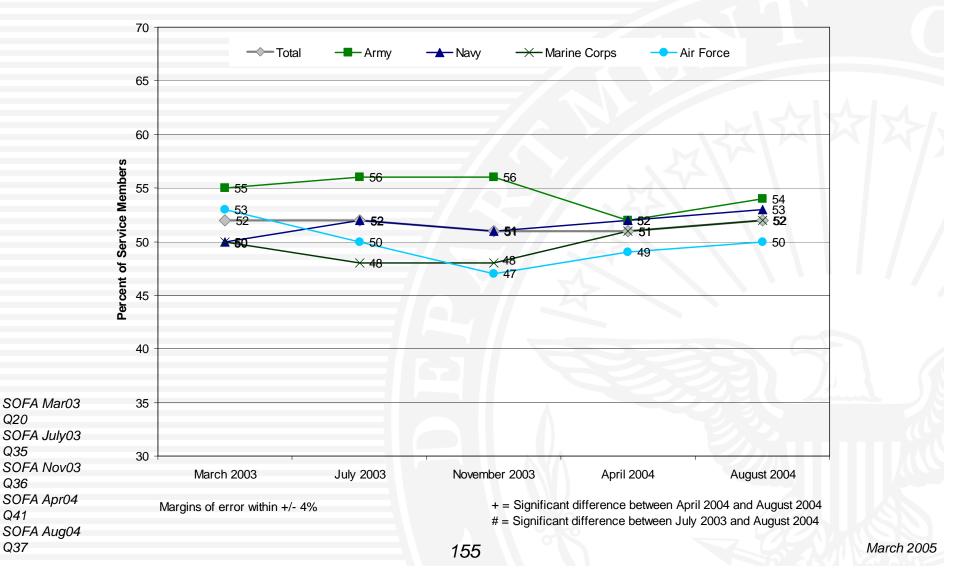
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your PERSONAL life	More	42	42	42	42	42	42	42	43	40	43	43	42	38	45	38	42	44
Current level of stress in	Less	13	13	12	13	13	11	16	16	12	14	11	13	14	14	15	13	14
your WORK life	More	52	52	55	53	52	54	50	53	54	50	54	53	48	54	50	52	53
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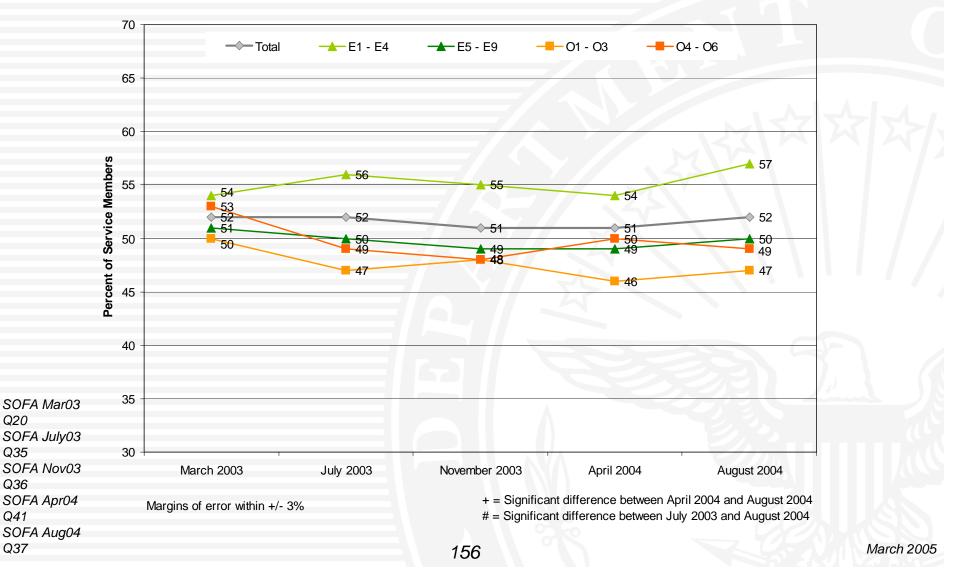
More Than Usual Level of Stress in Work Life Trends

All Service Members



More Than Usual Level of Stress in Work Life Trends

All Service Members



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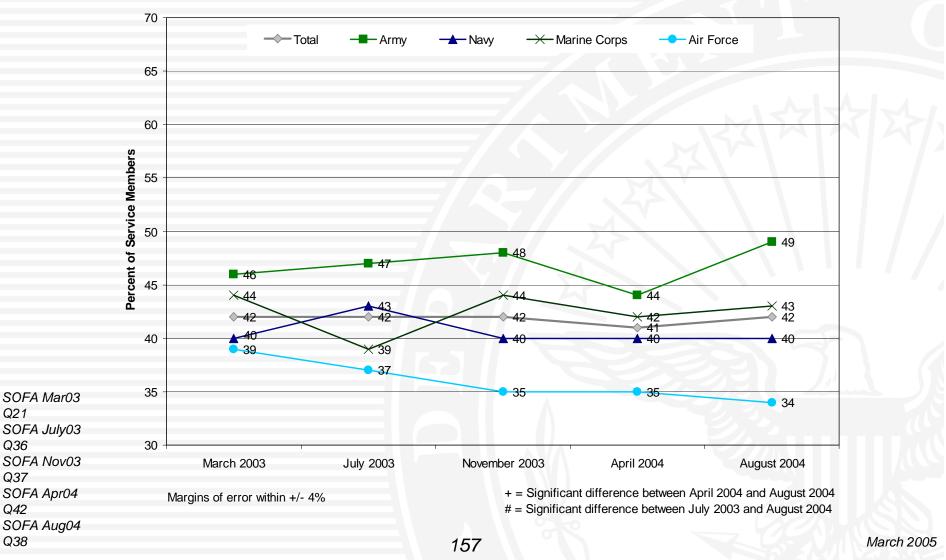
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Personal and Work Stress

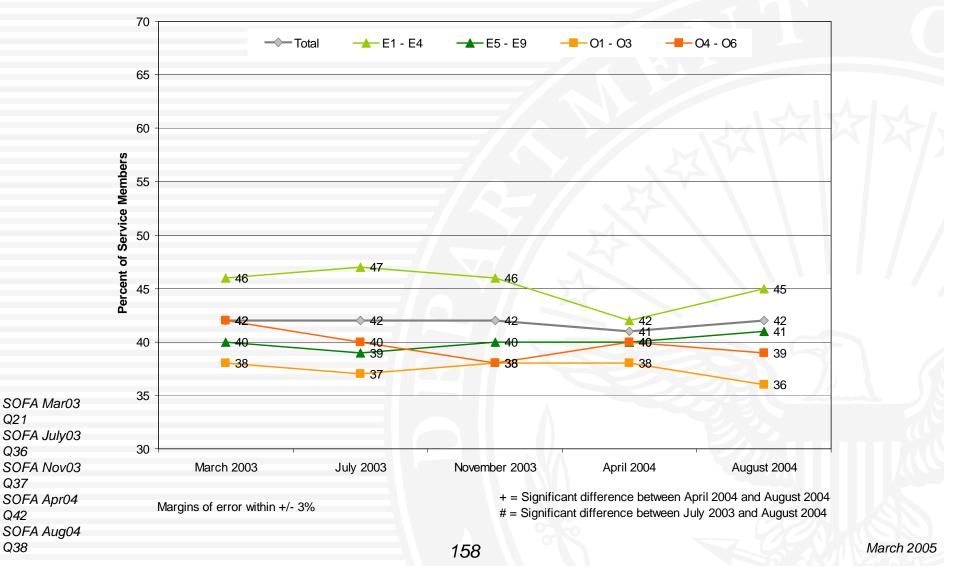
More Than Usual Level of Stress in Personal Life Trends

All Service Members



More Than Usual Level of Stress in Personal Life Trends

All Service Members



Personal and Work Stress Summary of Findings

August 2004 Findings

- 42% reported more stress than usual in their personal life
 - More stress led by Army, E1-E4, and Army enlisted
 - Less stress led by minority
- 52% reported more stress than usual in their work life
 - More stress led by E1-E4 and non-minority
 - Less stress led by Navy, E5-E9, and minority

April 2004 – August 2004 Trends

No change

July 2003 – August 2004 Trends

• No change

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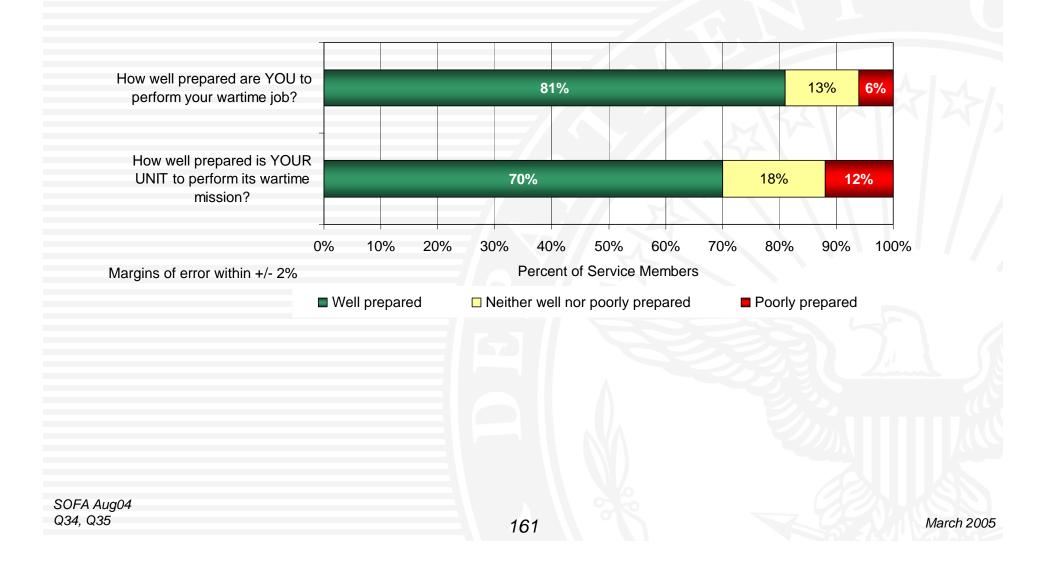
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Personal and Unit Preparedness

To Perform Wartime Mission

All Service Members



Personal and Unit Preparedness

To Perform Wartime Mission

All Service Members

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 | E5-E9 | 01-03
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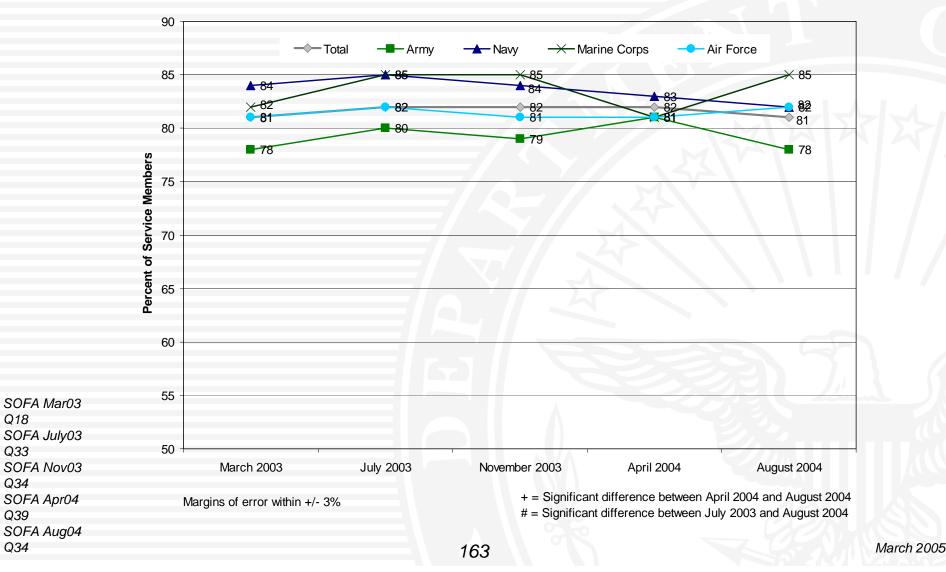
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You are prepared to perform	Well	81	81	81	79	82	82	80	80	77	85	80	83	83	68	70	83	68
your wartime job	Poorly	6	6	6	7	6	6	6	7	8	5	6	6	4	12	10	5	11
Unit is prepared to perform its	Well	70	70	67	69	70	70	70	66	70	70	70	70	74	66	66	70	66
wartime mission	Poorly	12	12	13	13	11	13	11	12	12	12	12	13	7	13	10	12	12
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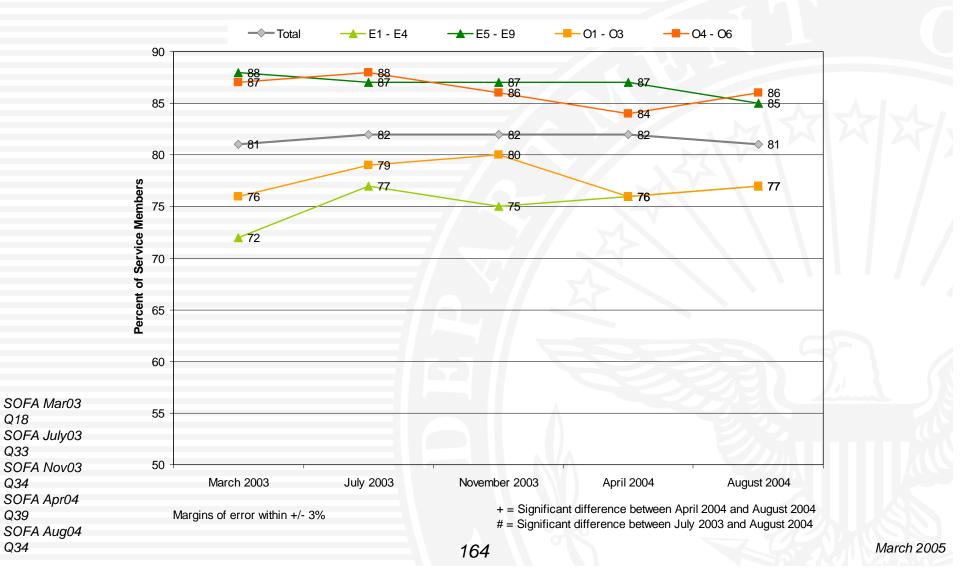
Personal Preparedness

All Service Members



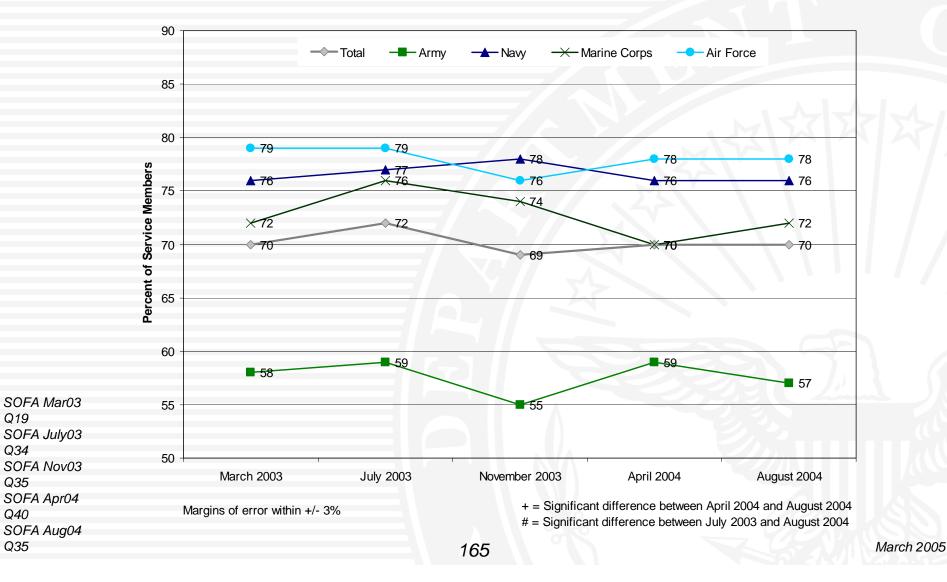
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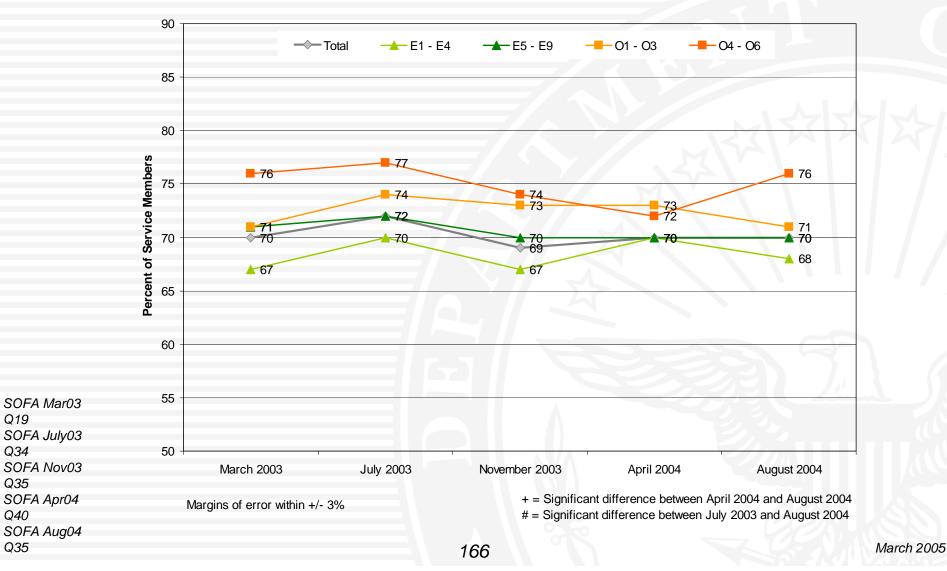
Unit Preparedness

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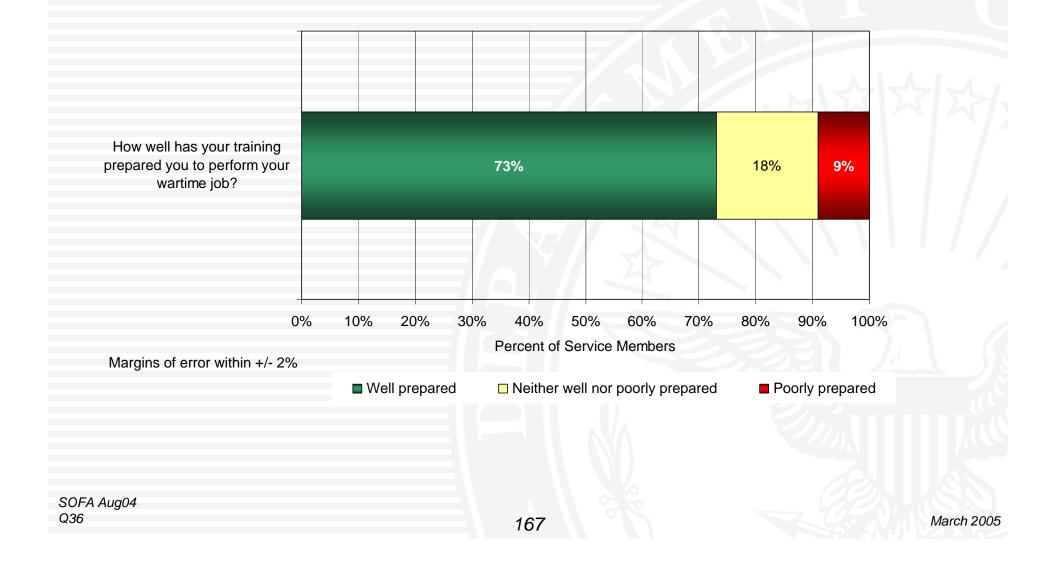
Unit Preparedness

All Service Members



Personal and Unit Preparedness

Training To Perform Wartime Mission All Service Members



Personal and Unit Preparedness

Training To Perform Wartime Mission

All Service Members

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Training prepared you to	Well	73	68	76	77	74	69	76	71	79	66	75	76	78	76	85	75	71
perform your wartime job	Poorly	9	13	7	8	8	11	8	9	6	14	7	7	8	8	4	8	9

Margins of error within +/- 4%

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Training prepared you to	Well	73	73	72	71	74	72	73	70	70	77	70	74	77	63	63	75	63
perform your wartime job	Poorly	9	9	10	10	9	10	8	10	10	8	10	9	7	14	11	9	14
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Personal and Unit Preparedness Summary of Findings

August 2004 Findings

- Majority reported they (81%) and their units (70%) were well prepared for wartime mission
 - Higher personal preparedness led by Marine Corps, E5-E9, O4-O6, Army officer, married with children, and male
 - Lower personal preparedness led by Army, E1-E4, Army enlisted, single without children, and female
 - Higher unit preparedness led by Navy, Air Force, O4-O6, Marine Corps officer, officer male, and male
 - Lower unit preparedness led by Army, Army enlisted, and enlisted male
- 73% reported training had prepared them well to perform their wartime job; 9% reported it had prepared them poorly
 - Well prepared led by Navy, Marine Corps, E5-E9, O4-O6, Navy officer, Marine Corps officer, married with children, and male
 - Poorly prepared led by Army, E1-E4, Army enlisted, non-minority, enlisted female, and female

Personal and Unit Preparedness Summary of Findings

April 2004 – August 2004 Trends

• No change

July 2003 – August 2004 Trends

No change

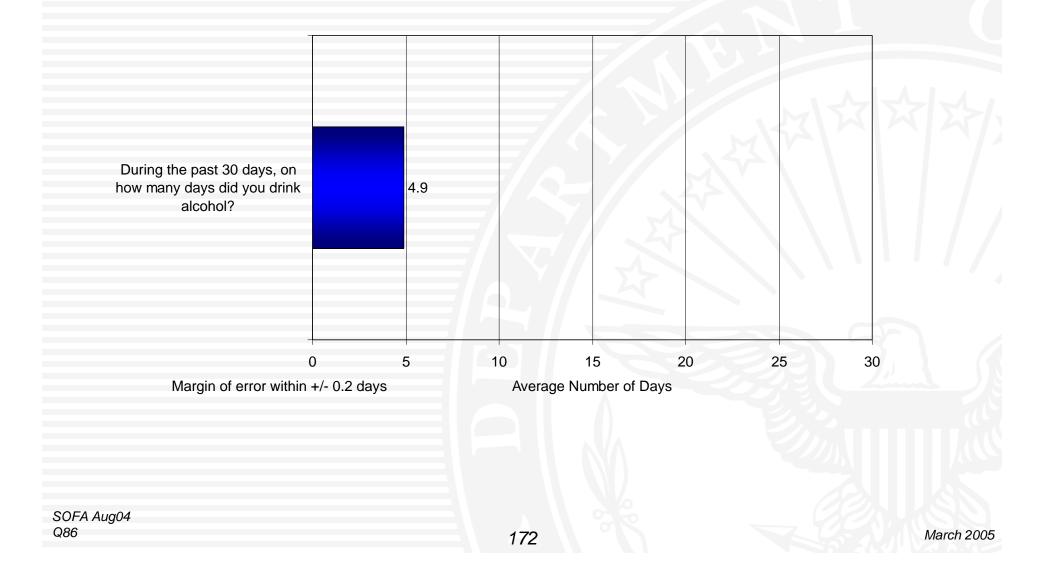
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Monthly Incidence of Alcohol Consumption

All Service Members



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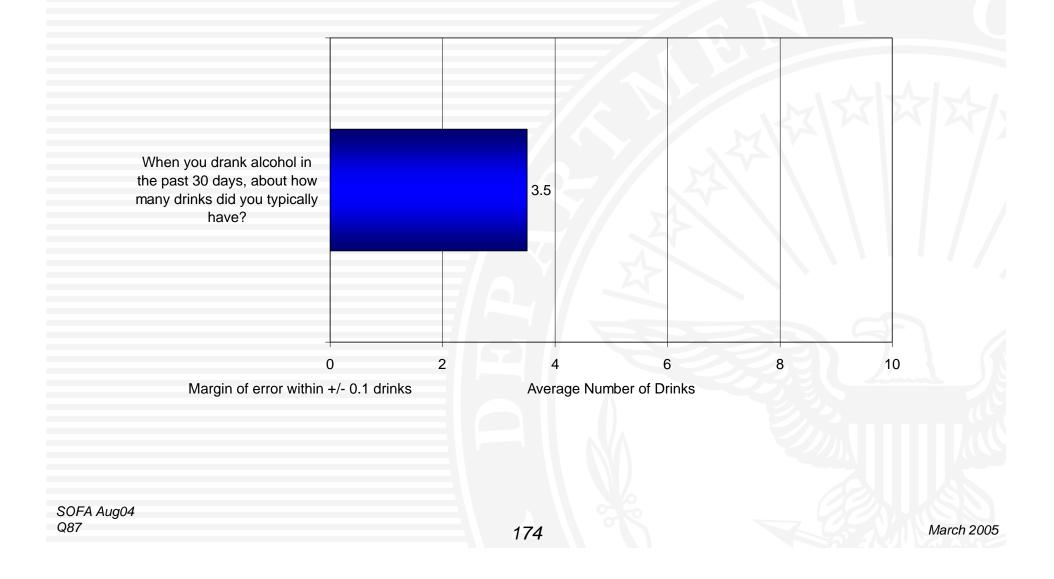
KEY: More than average Less than average	Total	Army	Navy	Marine Corps	Air Force	E1-E4	E5-E9	01-03	04-06	Army Enlisted	Army Officers	Navy Enlisted	Navy Officers	Marine Corps Enlisted	Marine Corps Officers	Air Force Enlisted	Air Force Officers	
During the past 30 days, number of days you drank alcohol	4.9	4.9	4.9	5.3	4.6	4.6	4.9	5.1	6.6	4.9	5.3	4.7	6.4	5.1	6.7	4.4	5.3	

Margins of error within +/- 0.5 days

KEY: More than average Less than average	Total	US Based	Overseas	On Base	Off Base	Total Non-Minority	Total Minority	Single w/ Children	Single w/o Children	Married w/ Children	Married w/o Children	Enlisted Male	Officer Male	Enlisted Female	Officer Female	Male	Female	
During the past 30 days, number of days you drank alcohol	4.9	4.9	4.9	4.6	5.1	5.4	4.0	4.8	5.1	4.8	4.6	5.0	6.0	3.0	4.2	5.2	3.2	

Margins of error within +/- 0.6 days

Average Number of Drinks Per Occasion Service Members Who Drank Alcohol at Least Once During Past 30 Days



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KEY: More than average Less than average	Total	Army	Navy	Marine Corps	Air Force	E1-E4	E5-E9	01-03	04-06	Army Enlisted	Army Officers	Navy Enlisted	Navy Officers	Marine Corps Enlisted	Marine Corps Officers	Air Force Enlisted	Air Force Officers	
uring the past 30 days, typical umber of alcoholic drinks alcohol	3.5	3.4	3.6	4.2	3.3	3.8	3.5	3.1	2.8	3.6	2.7	3.6	3.2	4.3	3.6	3.4	2.9	

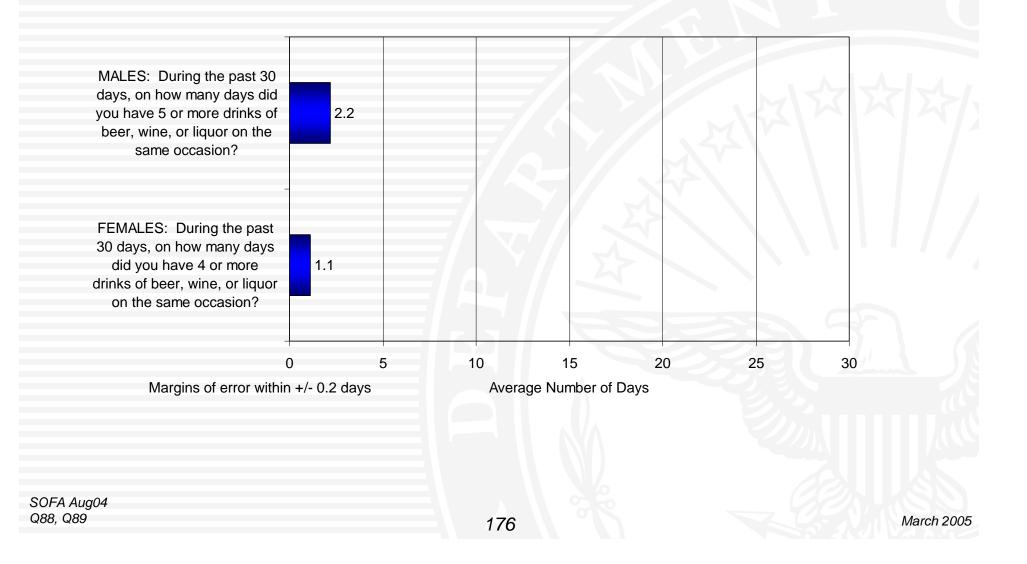
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KEY: More than average Less than average	Total	US Based	Overseas	On Base	Off Base	Total Non-Minority	Total Minority	Single w/ Children	Single w/o Children	Married w/ Children	Married w/o Children	Enlisted Male	Officer Male	Enlisted Female	Officer Female	Male	Female
During the past 30 days, typical number of alcoholic drinks alcohol	3.5	3.5	3.7	3.5	3.5	3.7	3.1	3.3	3.9	3.2	3.5	3.8	3.1	2.6	2.4	3.7	2.5

Margins of error within +/- 0.3 drinks

Heavy Drinking By Males/Females

Service Members Who Drank Alcohol at Least Once During Past 30 Days



Heavy Drinking By Males/Females

Service Members Who Drank Alcohol at Least Once During Past 30 Days

KEY: More than average Less than average	Total	Army	Navy	Marine Corps	Air Force	E1-E4	E5-E9	01-03	04-06	Army Enlisted	Army Officers	Navy Enlisted	Navy Officers	Marine Corps Enlisted	Marine Corps Officers	Air Force Enlisted	Air Force Officers
MALES: Number of days you had 5 or more alcoholic drinks on the same occasion	2.2	2.5	2.2	2.9	1.5	2.9	2.1	1.3	0.7	2.7	1.1	2.4	1.1	3.1	1.4	1.6	0.8
FEMALES: Number of days you had 4 or more alcoholic drinks on the same occasion	1.1	1.3	0.9	1.9	0.8	1.4	0.9	0.7	0.4	1.5	0.5	1.0	0.6	2.0	0.9	0.9	0.6

Margins of error within +/- 0.7 days

KEY: More than average Less than average	Total	US Based	Overseas	On Base	Off Base	Total Non-Minority	Total Minority	Single w/ Children	Single w/o Children	Married w/ Children	Married w/o Children	Enlisted Male	Officer Male	Enlisted Female	Officer Female	Male	Female
MALES: Number of days you had 5 or more alcoholic drinks on the same occasion	2.2	2.2	2.2	2.5	2.0	2.3	2.1	2.6	3.0	1.7	2.1	2.4	1.0	NA	NA	2.2	NA
FEMALES: Number of days you had 4 or more alcoholic drinks on the same occasion	1.1	1.0	1.2	1.2	1.0	1.3	0.9	1.3	1.5	0.6	0.9	NA	NA	1.2	0.6	NA	1.1

Margins of error within +/- 0.6 days NA: Not Applicable

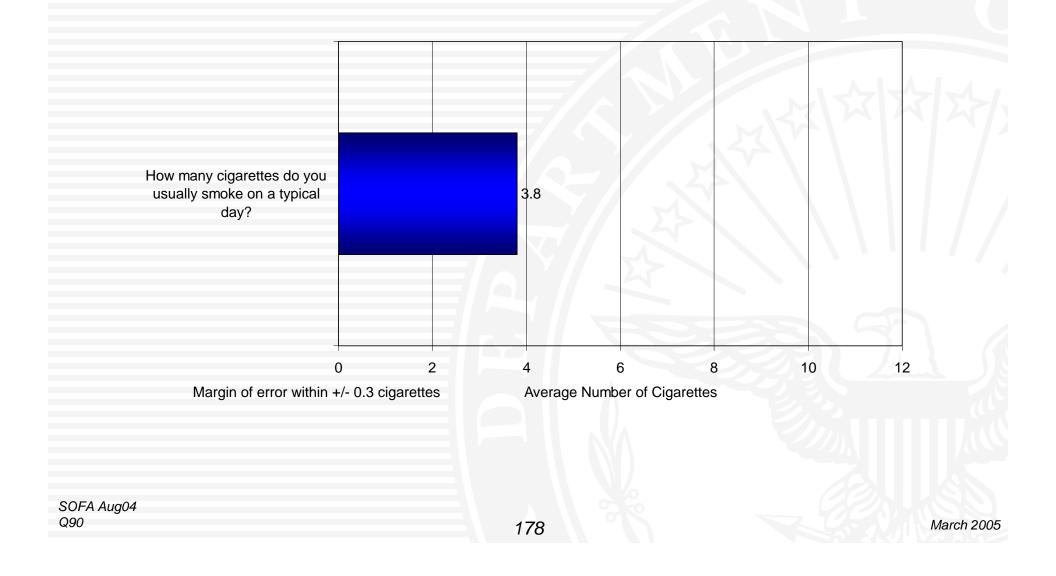
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Member's Health

Cigarette Smoking All Service Members



Member's Health Cigarette Smoking

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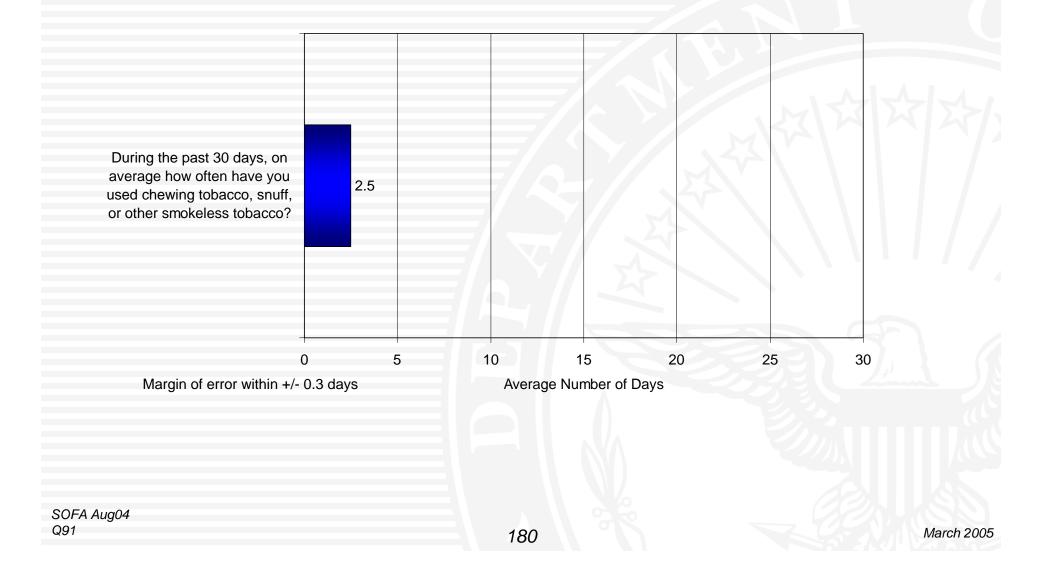
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During the past 30 days, number of cigarettes you smoked on a typical day	3.8	4.6	3.7	4.2	2.9	5.1	3.9	0.5	0.6	5.4	0.8	4.2	0.7	4.7	0.4	3.5	0.4
Margins of error within +/- 0.7 cigarettes			F			1			と					\mathbb{Z}			

KEY: More than average Less than average	Total	US Based	Overseas	On Base	Off Base	Total Non-Minority	Total Minority	Single w/ Children	Single w/o Children	Married w/ Children	Married w/o Children	Enlisted Male	Officer Male	Enlisted Female	Officer Female	Male	Female
During the past 30 days, number of cigarettes you smoked on a typical day	3.8	3.8	4.1	4.4	3.4	4.6	2.6	3.0	4.3	3.7	3.6	4.7	0.6	3.2	0.5	4.0	2.8

Margins of error within +/- 0.6 cigarettes



Tobacco Use All Service Members



Member's Health

Tobacco Use All Service Members

KEY: More than average Less than average	Total	Army	Navy	Marine Corps	Air Force	E1-E4	E5-E9	01-03	04-06	Army Enlisted	Army Officers	Navy Enlisted	Navy Officers	Marine Corps Enlisted	Marine Corps Officers	Air Force Enlisted	Air Force Officers	
During the past 30 days, number of days you used chewing tobacco, snuff, or other smokeless tobacco	2.5	2.8	2.0	4.4	1.7	2.9	2.3	2.0	1.6	2.9	2.6	2.0	1.5	4.5	3.5	1.8	1.1	

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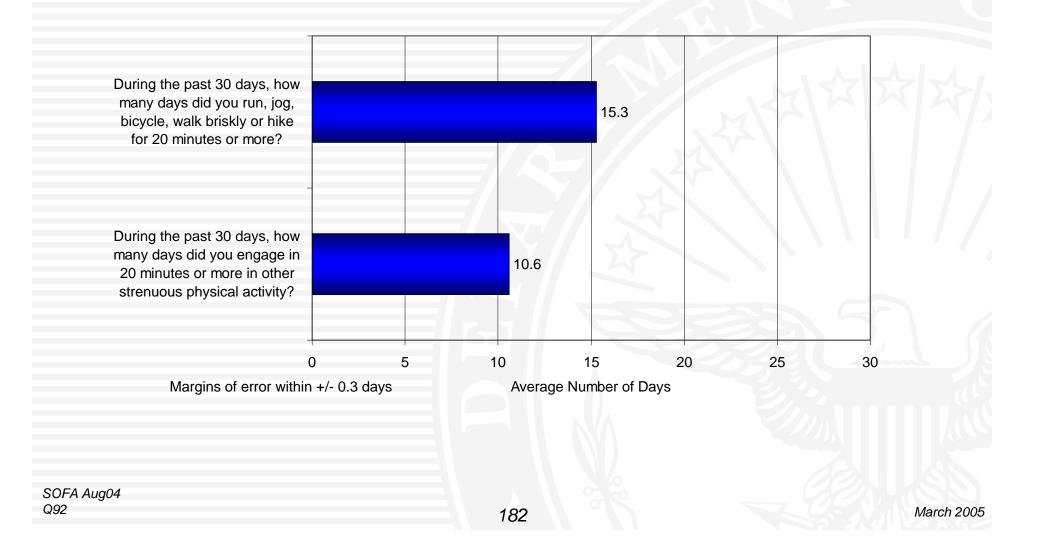
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During the past 30 days, number of days you used chewing tobacco, snuff, or other smokeless tobacco	2.5	2.5	2.3	2.7	2.3	3.4	1.0	2.5	2.5	2.3	2.7	3.0	2.2	0.4	NR	2.9	0.3	

Margins of error within +/- 0.8 days NR: Not Reportable

Information and Technology for Better Decision Making

Member's Health

Exercise All Service Members



Member's Health

Exercise All Service Members

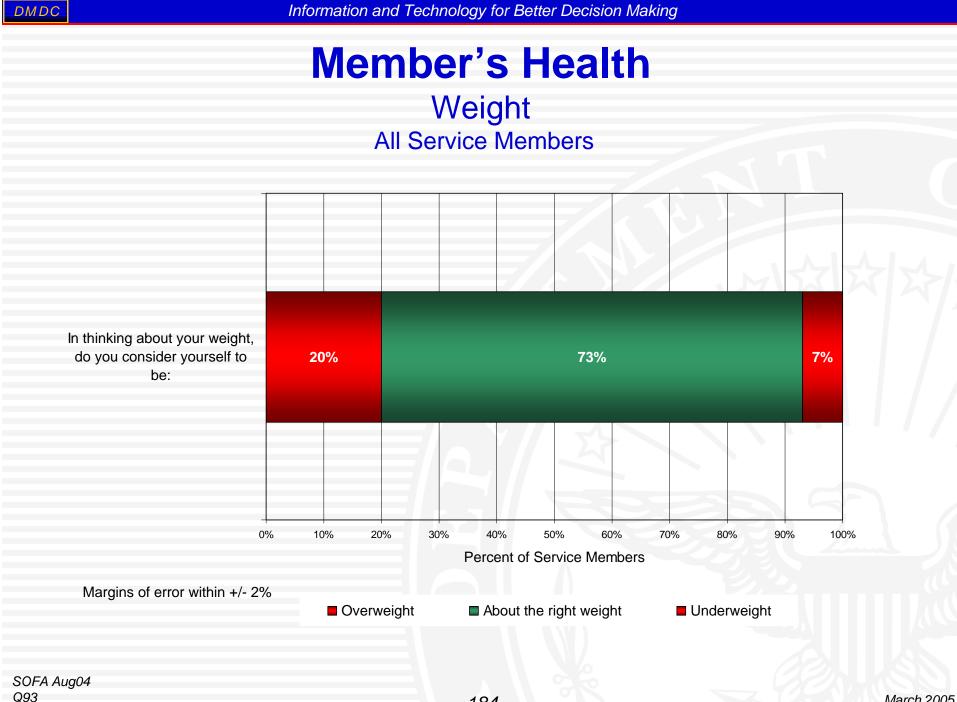
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Number of days you ran, jogged, bicycled, walked briskly, or hiked for 20 minutes or more	15.3	17.8	13.4	15.7	13.8	15.6	15.3	14.6	14.3	18.2	16.1	13.4	13.4	15.7	15.9	14.0	13.4
Number of days you engaged in 20 minutes or more in other strenuous physical activity	10.6	11.7	9.8	11.6	9.5	11.1	10.8	9.8	8.1	12.1	10.2	10.1	8.2	11.8	10.5	9.8	8.3

Margins of error within +/- 0.7 days

KEY: More than average Less than average	Total	US Based	Overseas	On Base	Off Base	Total Non-Minority	Total Minority	Single w/ Children	Single w/o Children	Married w/ Children	Married w/o Children	Enlisted Male	Officer Male	Enlisted Female	Officer Female	Male	Female
Number of days you ran, jogged, bicycled, walked briskly, or hiked for 20 minutes or more	15.3	15.0	16.6	15.9	14.9	15.2	15.5	15.2	15.2	15.2	15.7	15.6	14.4	14.9	15.0	15.4	14.9
Number of days you engaged in 20 minutes or more in other strenuous physical activity	10.6	10.5	11.3	11.2	10.3	10.3	11.1	9.8	11.0	10.3	10.8	11.4	9.4	8.0	7.6	11.1	8.0

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Member's Health

Weight All Service Members

KEY: More "About the right weight" Less "About the right weight" More "Overweight" or "Underweight"		Total	Army	Navy	Marine Corps	Air Force	E1-E4	E5-E9	01-03	04-06	Army Enlisted	Army Officers	Navy Enlisted	Navy Officers	Marine Corps Enlisted	Marine Corps Officers	Air Force Enlisted	Air Force Officers	
In thinking about your weight, do	Overweight	20	19	22	12	23	16	24	17	24	19	18	21	27	12	11	25	19	
you consider yourself to be:	About right	73	73	72	80	71	74	71	80	74	72	80	72	71	80	86	69	78	
you consider yoursen to be.	Underweight	7	8	6	8	6	10	5	3	2	9	2	7	2	8	3	6	3	

Margins of error within +/- 4%

KEY: More "About the right weight" Loss "About the right weight" More "Overweight" or "Underweight"		Total	US Based	Overseas	On Base	Off Base	Total Non-Minority	Total Minority	Single w/ Children	Single w/o Children	Married w/ Children	Married w/o Children	Enlisted Male	Officer Male	Enlisted Female	Officer Female	Male	Female
In thinking about your weight, do	Overweight	20	20	19	17	22	20	21	22	15	24	19	19	19	28	22	19	27
you consider yourself to be:	About right	73	73	71	74	73	74	73	73	75	71	74	73	78	68	76	74	69
you consider yourself to be.	Underweight	7	6	9	9	5	7	7	5	10	4	7	8	3	4	1	7	3
Margins of error within +/- 4%																		

Member's Health Summary of Findings

August 2004 Findings

- Service members reported drinking alcohol an average of 4.9 occasions during the past 30 days
 - Had an average of 3.5 drinks per occasion
 - More than average reported by Marine Corps, E1-E4, Marine Corps enlisted, non-minority, single without children, enlisted male, and male
 - Males reported having 5 or more drinks on the same occasion an average of 2.2 times during the past 30 days
 - More than average reported by Marine Corps, E1-E4, Army enlisted, Marine Corps enlisted, living on base, single without children, and enlisted male
 - Females reported having 4 or more drinks on the same occasion an average of 1.1 times during the past 30 days
 - More than average reported by E1-E4, single without children, and enlisted female

Member's Health Summary of Findings

August 2004 Findings (continued)

- Service members reported smoking an average of 3.8 cigarettes on a typical day
 - More than average reported by Army, E1-E4, Army enlisted, living on base, nonminority, enlisted male, and male
- Service members reported using chewing tobacco, snuff, or other smokeless tobacco an average of 2.5 days during the past 30 days
 - More than average reported by Marine Corps, E1-E4, non-minority, enlisted male, and male

Member's Health Summary of Findings

August 2004 Findings (continued)

- Service members reported running, jogging, bicycling, walking briskly, or hiking for 20 minutes or more an average of 15.3 days during the past 30 days
 - More than average reported by Army, living overseas, living on base, and enlisted male
- Service members reported engaging in at least 20 minutes of other strenuous physical activity an average of 10.6 days during the past 30 days
 - More than average reported by Army, Marine Corps, Army enlisted, Marine Corps enlisted, living on base, minority, enlisted male, and male
- 20% of members reported being overweight and 7% reported being underweight
 - Overweight led by Air Force, E5-E9, O4-O6, Navy officer, Air Force enlisted, living off base, married with children, enlisted female, and female
 - Underweight led by E1-E4, Army enlisted, living on base, single without children, enlisted male, and male

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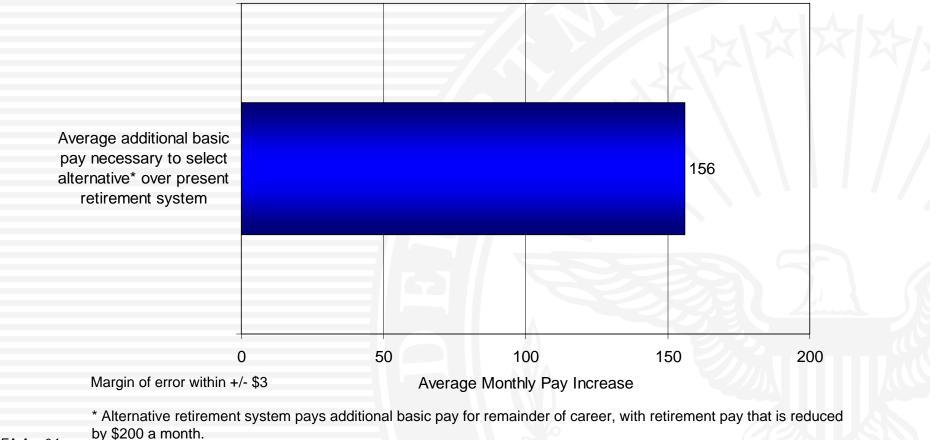
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Additional Basic Pay Necessary To Choose Alternative Over Present Retirement System

Service Members Who Had Less Than 20 Years of Service and Would Choose Alternative Retirement System



Additional Basic Pay Necessary To Choose Alternative Over Present Retirement System

Service Members Who Had Less Than 20 Years of Service and Would Choose Alternative Retirement System

KEY: More than average Less than average	Total	Army	Navy	Marine Corps	Air Force	E1-E4	E5-E9	01-03	04-06	Army Enlisted	Army Officers	Navy Enlisted	Navy Officers	Marine Corps Enlisted	Marine Corps Officers	Air Force Enlisted	Air Force Officers	<
Alternative retirement system, preferred monthly basic pay increas	156	154	152	157	161	151	161	154	173	153	161	153	152	156	162	161	159	

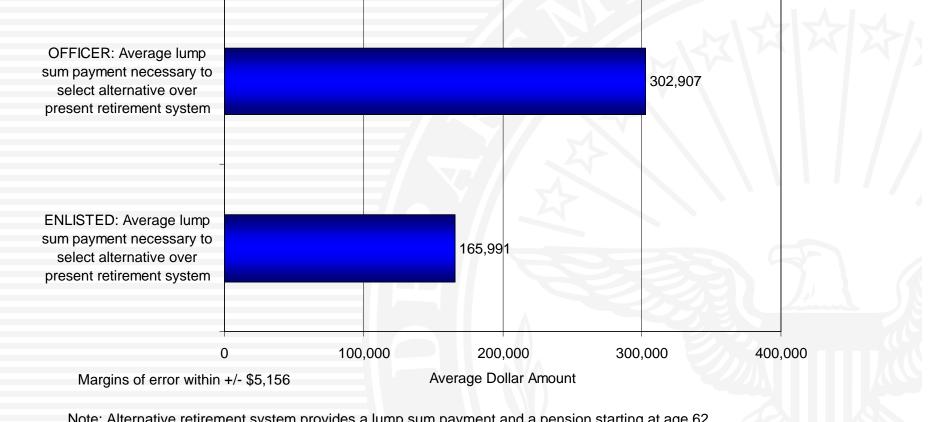
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KEY: More than average Less than average	Total	US Based	Overseas	On Base	Off Base	Total Non-Minority	Total Minority	Single w/ Children	Single w/o Children	Married w/ Children	Married w/o Children	Enlisted Male	Officer Male	Enlisted Female	Officer Female	Male	Female	
Alternative retirement system, preferred monthly basic pay increase	156	156	153	154	157	158	152	159	152	159	157	155	158	153	158	156	154	

Margins of error within +/- \$7

Lump Sum Necessary To Choose Alternative Over Present **Retirement System**

Service Members Who Had Less Than 20 Years of Service and Would Choose **Alternative Retirement System**



Note: Alternative retirement system provides a lump sum payment and a pension starting at age 62.

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Lump Sum Necessary To Choose Alternative Over Present Retirement System

Service Members Who Had Less Than 20 Years of Service and Would Choose Alternative Retirement System

KEY: More than average Less than average	Total	Army	Navy	Marine Corps	Air Force	E1-E4	E5-E9	01-03	04-06	Army Enlisted	Army Officers	Navy Enlisted	Navy Officers	Marine Corps Enlisted	Marine Corps Officers	Air Force Enlisted	Air Force Officers
Officer	302,907	297,801	307,481	303,239	304,762	NA	NA	290,866	327,943	NA	297,801	NA	307,481	NA	303,239	NA	304,762
Enlisted	165,991	157,278	170,342	163,100	176,468	154,848	178,420	NA	NA	157,278	NA	170,342	NA	163,100	NA	176,468	NA

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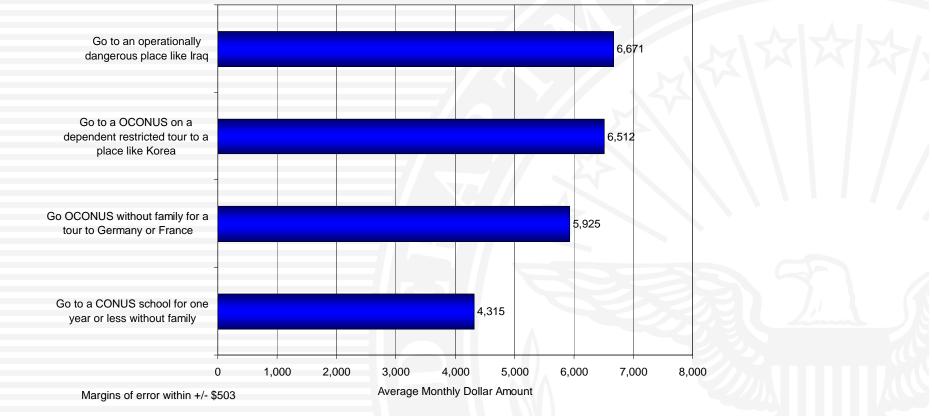
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Offic	er	302,907	302,703	304,041	312,528	301,060	307,306	286,860	300,082	286,814	319,141	289,847	NA	308,150	NA	278,766	308,150	278,766
Enlis	sted	165,991	166,965	161,895	161,103	170,664	170,808	159,252	163,962	158,500	175,790	162,985	168,513	NA	151,940	NA	168,513	151,940

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Additional Monthly Pay Needed To Volunteer Going Away From PDS Without Family, Assuming No Deployment Pays Service Members Who Were Married/Separated or Had Children/Other Legal

Dependents



Note: Averages include maximum values up to \$99,999. About 12% to 15% indicated they would need at least \$5,000 additional monthly pay to volunteer going away without family.

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Additional Monthly Pay Needed To Volunteer Going Away From PDS Without Family, Assuming No Deployment Pays Service Members Who Were Married/Separated or Had Children/Other Legal Dependents

KEY: More than average Less than average	Total	Army	Navy	Marine Corps	Air Force	E1-E4	E5-E9	01-03	04-06	Army Enlisted	Army Officers	Navy Enlisted	Navy Officers	Marine Corps Enlisted	Marine Corps Officers	Air Force Enlisted	Air Force Officers
Operationally dangerous place	6,671	6,909	7,805	5,730	5,694	6,716	6,049	8,025	9,110	6,871	7,077	7,192	11,431	5,840	4,824	5,077	8,193
OCONUS on a dependent restricted tour	6,512	5,829	7,168	6,973	6,595	7,949	4,690	10,707	10,412	5,467	7,310	5,807	13,654	6,749	8,224	5,379	10,980
OCONUS without family for a tour to Germany or France	5,925	5,721	6,472	5,833	5,694	7,424	4,218	9,142	9,772	5,433	6,901	5,282	12,147	5,640	6,903	4,580	9,716
CONUS school for 1 year or less without family	4,315	3,856	4,885	4,859	4,161	5,504	3,092	6,584	6,903	3,546	5,147	4,266	7,865	4,870	4,799	3,301	7,287

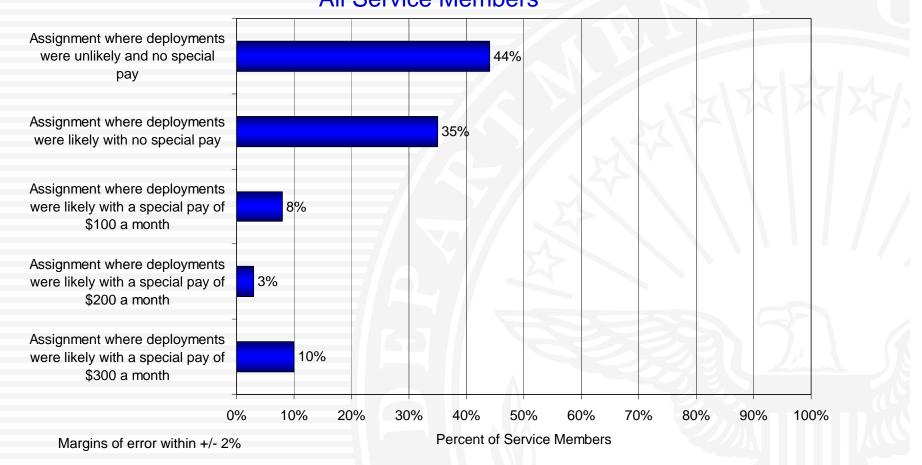
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Additional Monthly Pay Needed To Volunteer Going Away From PDS Without Family, Assuming No Deployment Pays Service Members Who Were Married/Separated or Had Children/Other Legal Dependents

KEY: More than average Less than average	Total	US Based	Overseas	On Base	Off Base	Total Non-Minority	Total Minority	Single w/ Children	Single w/o Children	Married w/ Children	Married w/o Children	Enlisted Male	Officer Male	Enlisted Female	Officer Female	Male	Female
Operationally dangerous place	6,671	6,794	6,087	6,124	7,047	6,928	6,242	8,160	3,813	7,760	9,088	6,353	8,390	6,377	7,716	6,684	6,595
OCONUS on a dependent restricted tour	6,512	6,524	6,444	6,095	6,700	7,262	5,242	6,367	NR	6,268	7,253	5,644	10,166	5,861	9,121	6,533	6,379
OCONUS without family for a tour to Germany or France	5,925	5,937	5,855	5,609	6,068	6,567	4,856	5,934	NR	5,795	6,312	5,189	9,231	5,183	7,543	5,982	5,561
CONUS school for 1 year or less without family	4,315	4,283	4,492	4,297	4,323	4,669	3,664	4,270	NR	4,248	4,529	3,853	6,574	3,605	5,350	4,383	3,882

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Special Monthly Pay Needed for 3-Year Assignment Where Deployments Likely All Service Members



Note: Special pay per month at 3-year assignment where deployments are likely averaged \$78 for Service members who indicated that they would take these assignments.

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Special Monthly Pay Needed for 3-Year Assignment Where Deployments Likely All Service Members

KEY: More likely to mark Less likely to mark	Total	Army	Navy	Marine Corps	Air Force	E1-E4	E5-E9	01-03	04-06	Army Enlisted	Army Officers	Navy Enlisted	Navy Officers	Marine Corps Enlisted	Marine Corps Officers	Air Force Enlisted	Air Force Officers
Assignment where deployments were unlikely and no special pay	44	50	39	32	45	36	45	55	62	48	62	36	59	31	39	42	58
Assignment where deployments were likely with no special pay	35	32	36	50	32	40	33	34	29	33	29	38	30	49	52	33	30
Assignment where deployments were likely with a special pay of \$100 a month	8	7	10	8	8	9	8	3	2	7	3	11	2	8	3	9	4
Assignment where deployments were likely with a special pay of \$200 a month	3	2	4	3	4	4	3	2	1	2	2	4	2	4	2	4	2
Assignment where deployments were likely with a special pay of \$300 a month	10	9	11	8	11	10	11	6	5	9	5	12	7	8	6	12	7

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Special Monthly Pay Needed for 3-Year Assignment Where Deployments Likely All Service Members

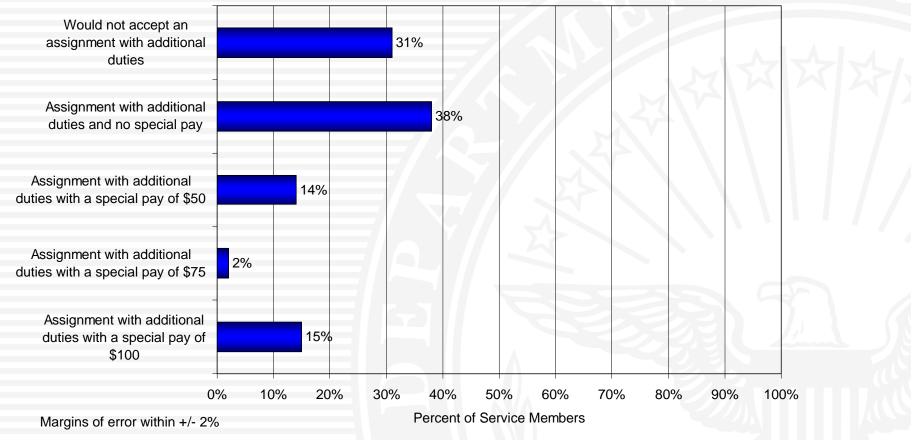
KEY: More likely to mark Less likely to mark	Total	US Based	Overseas	On Base	Off Base	Total Non-Minority	Total Minority	Single w/ Children	Single w/o Children	Married w/ Children	Married w/o Children	Enlisted Male	Officer Male	Enlisted Female	Officer Female	Male	Female
Assignment where deployments were unlikely and no special pay	44	44	45	38	47	44	44	47	31	52	47	39	56	51	67	42	54
Assignment where deployments were likely with no special pay	35	35	36	41	32	36	35	32	49	28	30	38	33	29	24	37	28
Assignment where deployments were likely with a special pay of \$100 a month	8	8	7	8	8	6	10	9	7	7	10	9	3	9	1	8	7
Assignment where deployments were likely with a special pay of \$200 a month	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	4	3	3	3	2	3	2	3	3
Assignment where deployments were likely with a special pay of \$300 a month	10	10	10	10	10	11	9	9	9	11	10	11	6	9	5	10	8

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Special Monthly Pay Needed To Choose Assignment With Additional Duties

All Service Members



Note: Special pay per month at assignment with additional duties averaged \$35 for Service members who indicated they would take these assignments.

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Special Monthly Pay Needed To Choose Assignment With Additional Duties

All Service Members

KEY: More likely to mark Less likely to mark	Total	Army	Navy	Marine Corps	Air Force	E1-E4	E5-E9	01-03	04-06	Army Enlisted	Army Officers	Navy Enlisted	Navy Officers	Marine Corps Enlisted	Marine Corps Officers	Air Force Enlisted	Air Force Officers
Assignment with no additional duties	31	31	29	31	32	31	27	38	52	29	44	27	40	29	42	29	46
Assignment with additional duties and no special pay	38	36	46	37	32	33	46	30	23	38	27	48	34	37	30	35	21
Assignment with additional duties with a special pay of \$50	14	15	10	15	14	16	12	13	10	15	12	10	9	16	12	15	12
Assignment with additional duties with a special pay of \$75	2	2	2	2	2	3	2	2	1	2	2	2	1	3	1	3	2
Assignment with additional duties with a special pay of \$100	15	15	13	15	19	17	14	18	14	15	15	12	15	15	15	19	19

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Special Monthly Pay Needed To Choose Assignment With Additional Duties

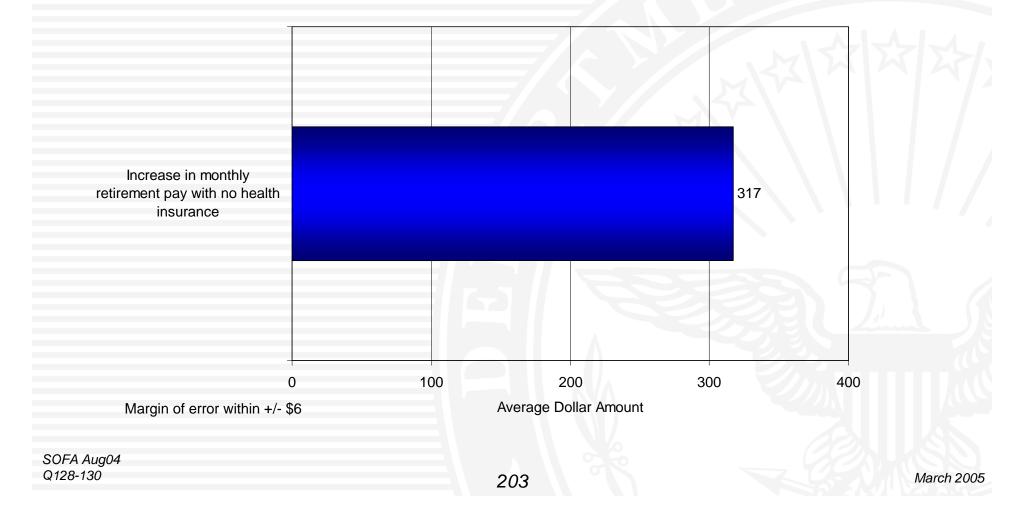
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Increase in Monthly Retirement Pay Needed To Forego TriCare for Life

Service Members Who Would Choose Retirement Package With Higher Monthly Pay and No Health Insurance



Increase in Monthly Retirement Pay Needed To Forego Present Retirement Package and TriCare for Life

Service Members Who Would Choose Retirement Package With Higher Monthly Pay and No Health Insurance

KEY: More than average Less than average	Total	Army	Navy	Marine Corps	Air Force	E1-E4	E5-E9	01-03	04-06	Army Enlisted	Army Officers	Navy Enlisted	Navy Officers	Marine Corps Enlisted	Marine Corps Officers	Air Force Enlisted	Air Force Officers	
Increase in retirement pay with no health insurance	317	315	321	312	319	306	320	331	343	310	334	318	338	310	328	314	339	

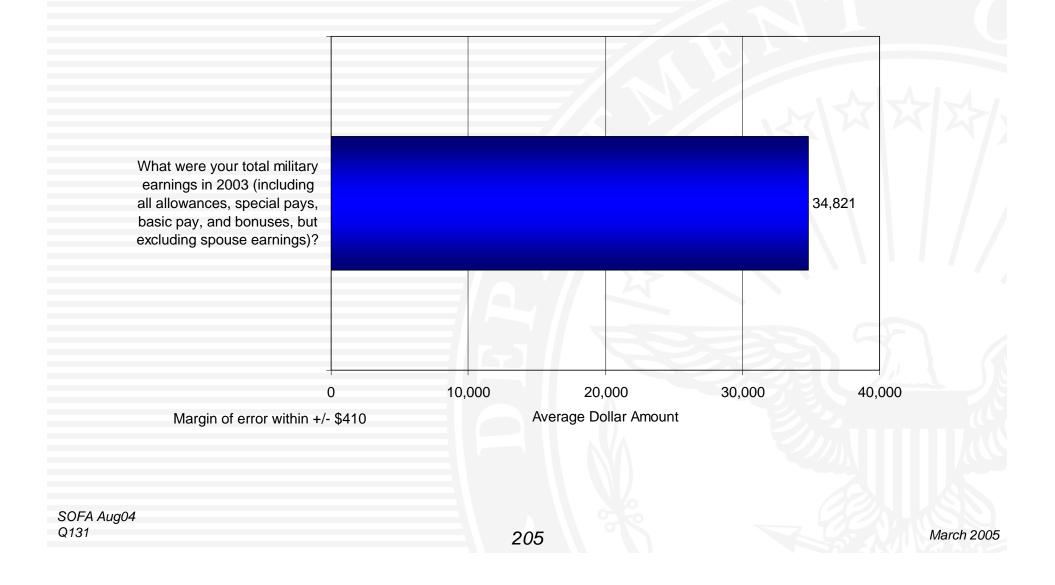
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Increase in retirement pay with no health insurance	317	321	301	311	321	321	309	331	305	326	317	313	338	314	324	317	316	

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Total Military Earnings in 2003 (Excluding Spouse Earnings) All Service Members



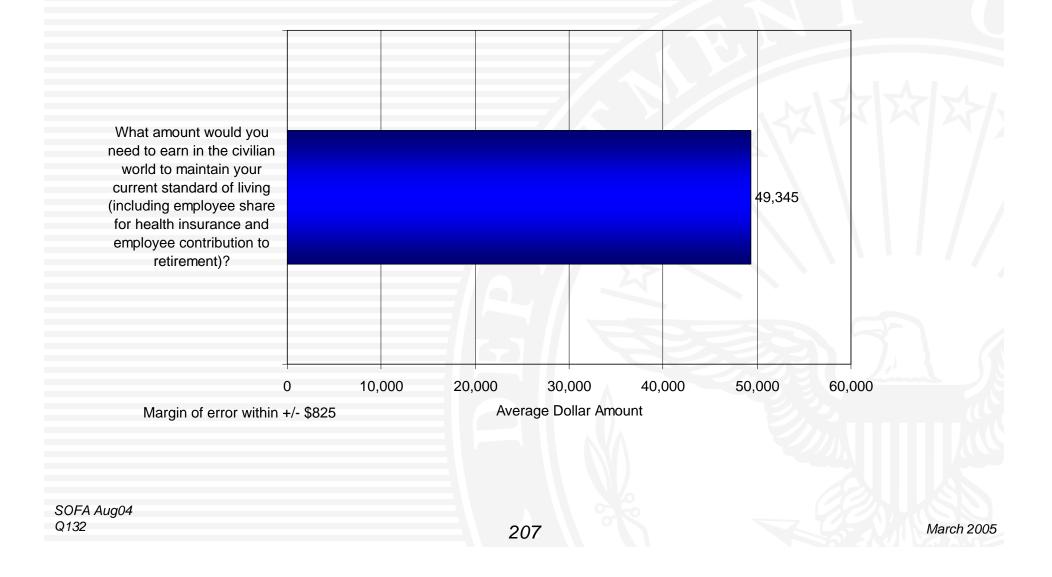
Total Military Earnings in 2003 (Excluding Spouse Earnings)

All Service Members

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Total military earnings in 2003	34,821	34,826	35,862	27,352	37,212	17,870	36,025	52,716	88,735	28,101	64,908	29,124	71,622	22,683	62,389	28,934	67,917
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Total military earnings in 2003	34,821	35,496	31,592	25,303	41,032	37,012	31,012	35,575	22,878	43,730	34,020	28,285	68,700	25,372	59,186	35,374	31,488

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Civilian Pay Needed To Maintain Current Standard of Living All Service Members



Civilian Pay Needed To Maintain Current Standard of Living All Service Members

KEY: More than average Less than average	Total	Army	Navy	Marine Corps	Air Force	E1-E4	E5-E9	01-03	04-06	Army Enlisted	Army Officers	Navy Enlisted	Navy Officers	Marine Corps Enlisted	Marine Corps Officers	Air Force Enlisted	Air Force Officers
Amount needed to earn in the civilian world to maintain current standard of living	49,345	48,183	51,611	43,430	51,253	31,936	49,851	69,066	110,491	40,841	81,771	44,035	92,710	38,335	82,235	42,614	84,301

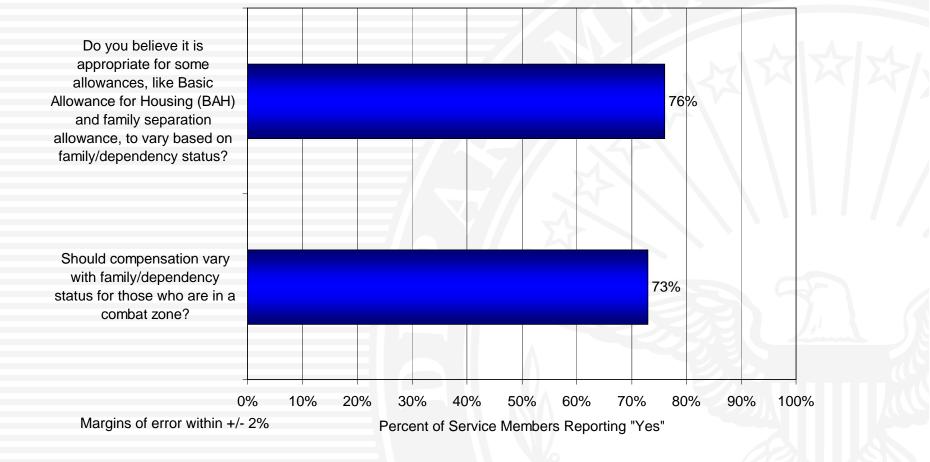
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Amount needed to earn in the civilian world to maintain current standard of living	49,345	49,919	46,604	40,226	55,335	52,194	44,448	47,934	38,194	58,332	47,542	42,432	86,535	38,312	77,851	50,017	45,307

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Family/Dependency Status Determinant in Compensation and

Allowances All Service Members



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Family/Dependency Status Determinant in Compensation and

Allowances

All Service Members

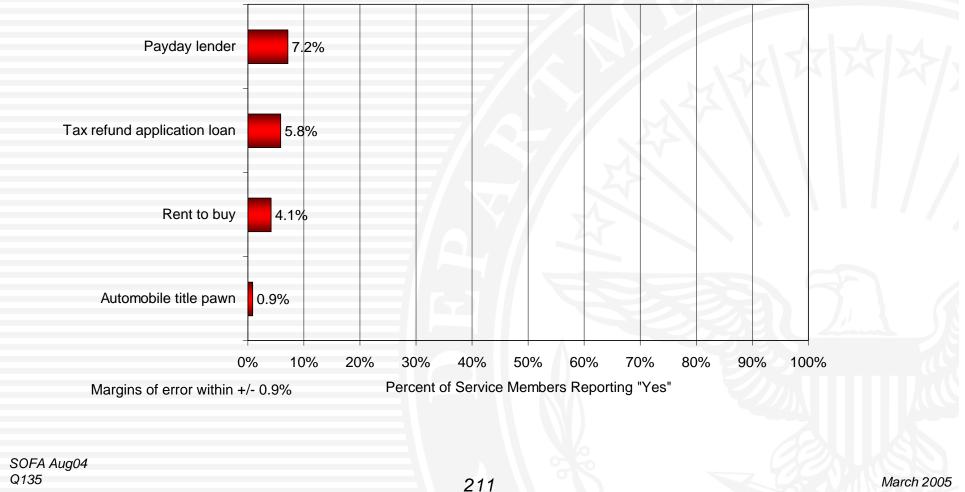
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Appropriate for allowances, like BAH and family separation allowance, to vary based on family/dependency status	Yes	76	75	74	73	79	77	73	81	79	73	81	74	78	72	84	79	80
Compensation should vary with family/dependency status for those who are in a combat zone	Yes	73	75	71	74	71	80	70	66	62	77	64	73	60	76	63	73	65
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KEY: Higher response of "Yes" Lower response of "Yes"		Total	US Based	Overseas	On Base	Off Base	Total Non-Minority	Total Minority	Single w/ Children	Single w/o Children	Married w/ Children	Married w/o Children	Enlisted Male	Officer Male	Enlisted Female	Officer Female	Male	Female
Appropriate for allowances, like BAH and family separation allowance, to vary based on family/dependency status	Yes	76	75	78	77	74	77	74	69	74	78	75	74	81	77	74	75	76
Compensation should vary with family/dependency status for those who are in a combat zone	Yes	73	73	74	76	71	70	77	72	73	73	74	74	64	77	65	73	75

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Use of High Interest Financial Services by Member/Spouse **During Past 12 Months All Service Members**



Use of High Interest Financial Services by Member/Spouse During Past 12 Months All Service Members

KEY: Higher response of "Yes" Lower response of "Yes"		Total	Army	Navy	Marine Corps	Air Force	E1-E4	E5-E9	01-03	04-06	Army Enlisted	Army Officers	Navy Enlisted	Navy Officers	Marine Corps Enlisted	Marine Corps Officers	Air Force Enlisted	Air Force Officers
Payday lender	Yes	7.2	8.8	7.4	7.5	4.9	8.7	8.2	1.2	0.3	10.4	1.3	8.5	1.0	8.3	0.7	6.0	0.7
Tax refund application loan	Yes	5.8	7.6	6.1	5.0	3.7	6.0	7.3	1.5	0.5	8.8	1.8	6.7	2.2	5.6	0.7	4.5	0.5
Rent to buy	Yes	4.1	4.9	4.5	4.7	2.6	5.9	4.0	0.9	0.3	5.8	0.8	5.1	0.7	5.3	0.3	3.1	0.6
Automobile title pawn	Yes	0.9	0.9	0.9	1.2	0.9	1.2	1.0	0.3	0.1	1.0	0.2	1.1	0.3	1.3	0.3	1.1	0.2

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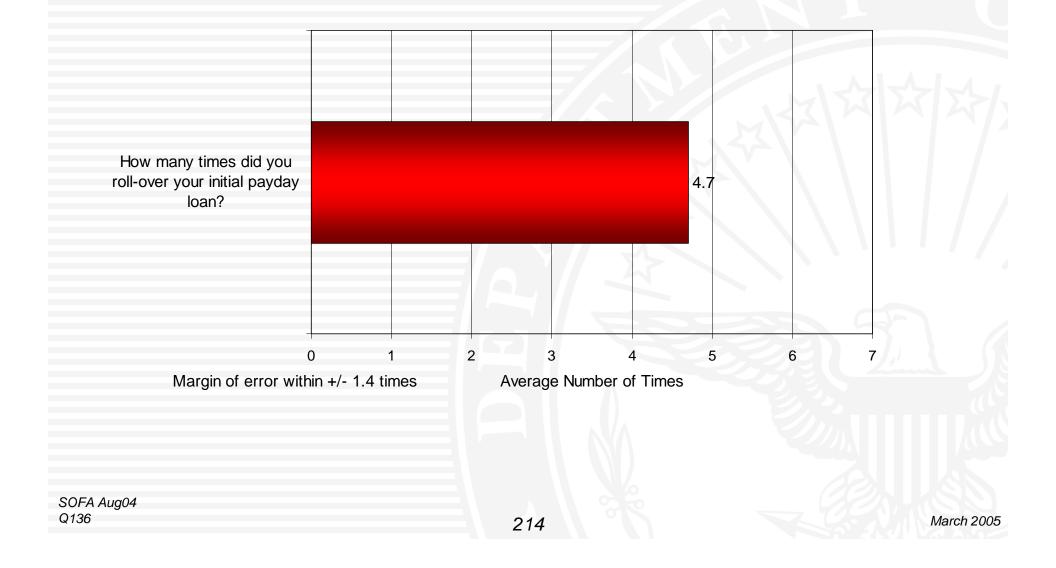
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KEY: Higher response of "Yes" Lower response of "Yes"		Total	US Based	Overseas	On Base	Off Base	Total Non-Minority	Total Minority	Single w/ Children	Single w/o Children	Married w/ Children	Married w/o Children	Enlisted Male	Officer Male	Enlisted Female	Officer Female	Male	Female
Payday lender	Yes	7.2	7.8	4.1	7.0	7.3	5.6	9.8	10.8	4.9	9.3	5.0	8.2	1.0	10.0	1.0	7.0	8.5
Tax refund application loan	Yes	5.8	6.3	3.5	5.8	5.7	4.7	7.6	9.1	3.8	7.8	3.4	6.7	1.2	6.7	2.5	5.7	6.0
Rent to buy	Yes	4.1	4.4	2.7	3.9	4.3	3.3	5.6	6.8	3.1	4.6	4.1	4.8	0.6	5.2	1.3	4.1	4.5
Automobile title pawn	Yes	0.9	1.0	0.6	1.1	0.8	0.6	1.6	1.8	1.1	0.9	0.7	1.1	0.2	0.8	0.1	1.0	0.7

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Times Rolled-Over Initial Payday Loan Service Members Who Used Payday Lender in Past 12 Months



Times Rolled-Over Initial Payday Loan Service Members Who Used Payday Lender in Past 12 Months

KEY: More than average Less than average	Total	Army	Navy	Marine Corps	Air Force	E1-E4	E5-E9	01-03	04-06	Army Enlisted	Army Officers	Navy Enlisted	Navy Officers	Marine Corps Enlisted	Marine Corps Officers	Air Force Enlisted	Air Force Officers	
Number of times rolled-over initial payday loan	4.7	5.8	4.4	3.3	3.6	4.9	4.6	NR	NR	5.9	NR	4.4	NR	3.4	NR	3.6	NR	

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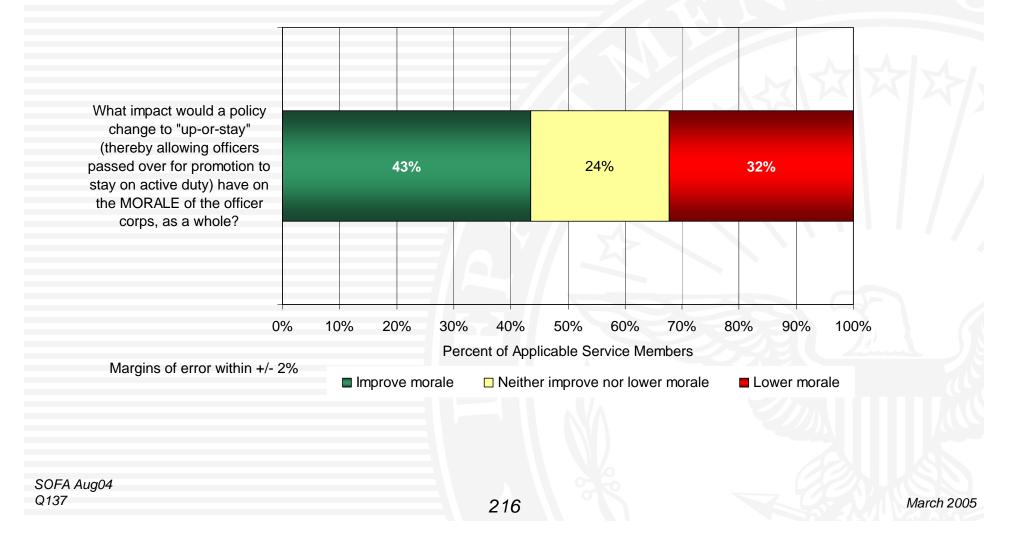
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Number of times rolled-over initial payday loan	4.7	4.9	2.9	6.3	3.6	5.1	4.2	3.8	4.0	5.3	3.4	4.9	1.7	3.8	NR	4.8	3.8	

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NR: Not Reportable

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Impact on Officer Corps Morale of Policy Change From "Up-or-Out" to "Up-or-Stay" All Officers



Compensation

Impact on Officer Corps Morale of Policy Change From "Up-or-Out" to "Up-or-Stay"

All Officers

KEY: More likely to improve morale Less likely to improve morale More unlikely to lower morale		Total	Army	Navy	Marine Corps	Air Force	E1-E4	E5-E9	01-03	04-06	Army Enlisted	Army Officers	Navy Enlisted	Navy Officers	Marine Corps Enlisted	Marine Corps Officers	Air Force Enlisted	Air Force Officers
Impact of a policy change to "up-or-stay" on	Improve	43	41	43	32	48	NA	NA	41	47	NA	41	NA	43	NA	32	NA	48
the MORALE of the officer corps, as a whole	Lower	32	34	34	45	27	NA	NA	35	29	NA	34	NA	34	NA	45	NA	27

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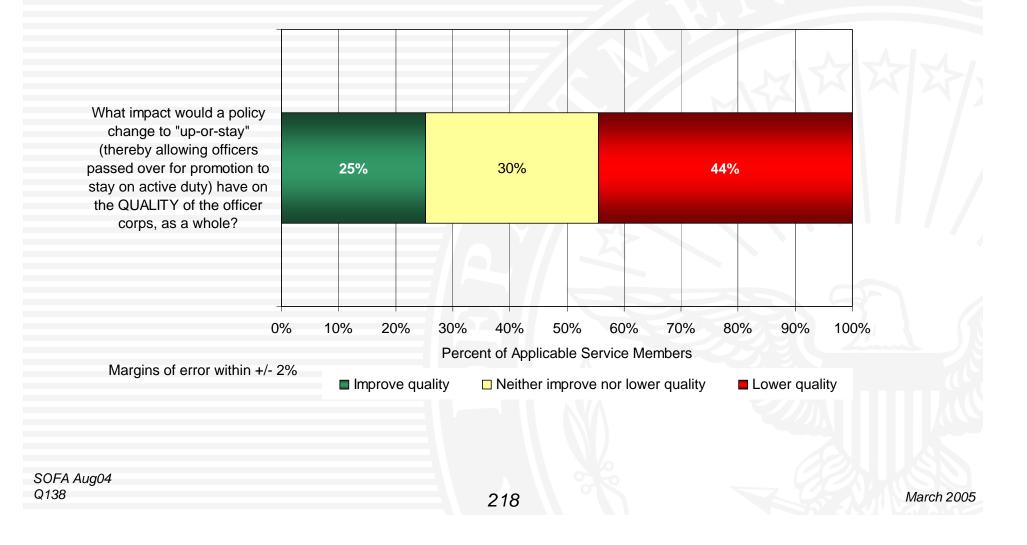
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Impact of a policy ch	nange to "up-or-stay" on	Improve	43	44	39	45	43	43	46	52	38	46	40	NA	44	NA	39	44	39
the MORALE of the c	officer corps, as a whole	Lower	32	32	32	29	33	33	31	30	36	30	34	NA	31	NA	37	31	37
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NA: Not Applicable																			

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Compensation

Impact on Officer Corps Quality of Policy Change From "Up-or-Out" to "Up-or-Stay" All Officers



Compensation

Impact on Officer Corps Quality of Policy Change From "Up-or-Out" to "Up-or-Stay"

All Officers

KEY: More likely to improve quality Loss likely to improve quality More unlikely to lower quality		Total	Army	Navy	Marine Corps	Air Force	E1-E4	E5-E9	01-03	04-06	Army Enlisted	Army Officers	Navy Enlisted	Navy Officers	Marine Corps Enlisted	Marine Corps Officers	Air Force Enlisted	Air Force Officers
Impact of a policy change to "up-or-stay" on	Improve	25	25	27	20	26	NA	NA	24	28	NA	25	NA	27	NA	20	NA	26
the QUALITY of the officer corps, as a whole	Lower	44	46	44	55	41	NA	NA	46	42	NA	46	NA	44	NA	55	NA	41

Margins of error within +/- 4%

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KEY: More likely to improve quality Less likely to improve quality More unlikely to lower quality		Total	US Based	Overseas	On Base	Off Base	Total Non-Minority	Total Minority	Single w/ Children	Single w/o Children	Married w/ Children	Married w/o Children	Enlisted Male	Officer Male	Enlisted Female	Officer Female	Male	Female
Impact of a policy change to "up-or-stay" on	Improve	25	26	24	27	25	24	30	32	22	28	22	NA	26	NA	20	26	20
the QUALITY of the officer corps, as a whole	Lower	44	44	45	43	44	46	40	38	46	42	49	NA	43	NA	50	43	50
Margins of error within +/- 10%																		

NA: Not Applicable

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August 2004 Findings

- On average, it would require \$156 per month increase in basic pay to convince Service members to select a retirement system that is reduced by \$200 per month
 - More than average monthly increase needed reported by Air Force and O4-O6
- On average, it would require a lump sum payment of \$302,907 to convince officers to select a retirement system that began payments at age 62
 - More than average reported by O4-O6, non-minority, married with children, and male
- On average, it would require a lump sum payment of \$165,991 to convince *enlisted* members to select a retirement system that began payments at age 62
 - More than average reported by Air Force, E5-E9, living off base, non-minority, married with children, and male

August 2004 Findings (continued)

- Assuming no deployment pays, additional pay needed by members to volunteer going away from PDS without family ranged from \$4,315 to \$6,671 per month
 - Highest average pay required for going to an operationally dangerous place like Iraq
 - Lowest average pay required for going to a CONUS school for one year or less
- 44% of members would not accept special pay for 3-year assignment where deployments are likely; special pay needed for those willing to accept such assignments averaged \$78 per month
 - More likely to not accept assignment led by Army, commissioned officer, Navy officer, Air Force officer, living off base, married with children, officer male, and female
- 31% of members would not accept special pay for assignment with additional duties; special pay needed for those willing to take such duties averaged \$35 per month
 - More likely to not accept assignment led by commissioned officer and male

August 2004 Findings (continued)

- Increase in retirement pay needed to forego TriCare for Life averaged \$317 per month
 - More than average reported by O4-O6, Army officer, Navy officer, Air Force officer, living in the US, married with children, and officer male
- Total military earnings for 2003 (including all allowances, special pays, basic pay, and bonuses), excluding spouse earnings, averaged \$34,821
 - More than average reported by Navy, Air Force, E5-E9, commissioned officer, living in the US, living off base, non-minority, married with children, officer male, and male
- Civilian pay needed to maintain current standard of living (including employee share for health insurance and contribution to retirement) averaged \$49,345
 - More than average reported by Navy, Air Force, commissioned officer, living in the US, living off base, non-minority, married with children, and male

August 2004 Findings (continued)

- 76% of members believe it is appropriate for some basic allowances, like Basic Allowance for Housing (BAH) and family separation allowance, to vary based on family/dependency status
 - Led by Air Force, commissioned officer, Army officer, Marine Corps officer, married with children, officer male
- 73% of members believe compensation should vary with family/dependency status for those in a combat zone
 - Led by E1-E4, Army enlisted, living on base, minority, enlisted male, enlisted female
- High interest financial services most used during the past 12 months by members were payday lenders (7.2%) and tax refund application loans (5.8%)
 - Payday lenders led by E1-E4, Army enlisted, living in the US, minority, member with children, enlisted male, and enlisted female
 - Tax refund application loans led by E5-E9, Army enlisted, living in the US, minority, member with children, and enlisted male
- Number of times initial payday loan was rolled over by members who used payday lender during past 12 months averaged 4.7 times

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August 2004 Findings (continued)

- 43% of officers reported that policy change from "up-or-out" to "upor-stay" would *improve morale* of the officer corps; 32% reported it would *lower morale*
 - Improve morale led by Air Force, O4-O6, and married with children
 - Lower morale led by Marine Corps, O1-O3, and female
- 25% of officers reported that policy change from "up-or-out" to "upor-stay" would *improve quality* of the officer corps; 44% reported it would *lower quality*
 - Improve quality led by minority, married with children, and male
 - Lower quality led by Marine Corps, O1-O3, non-minority, and female

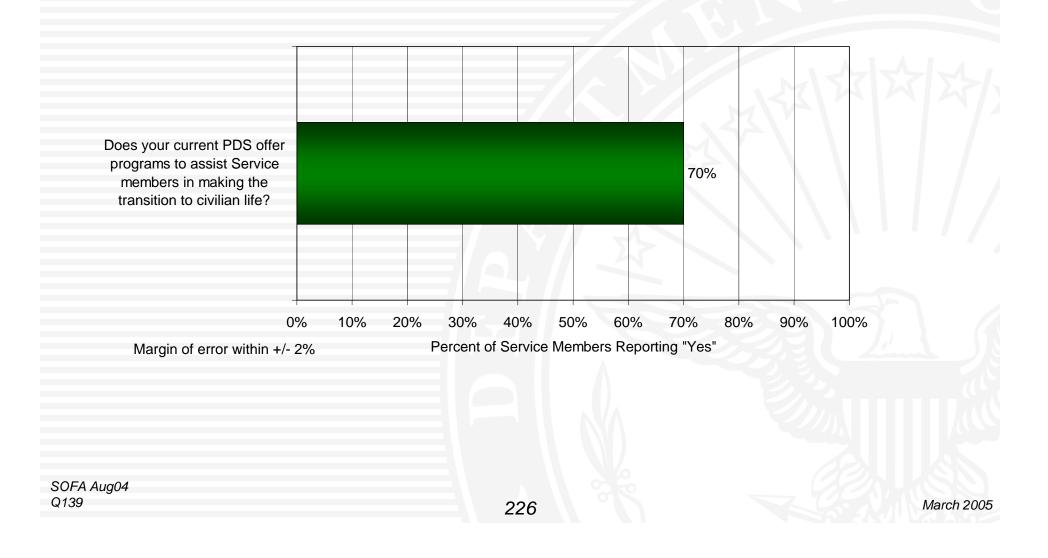
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Programs Availability

All Service Members



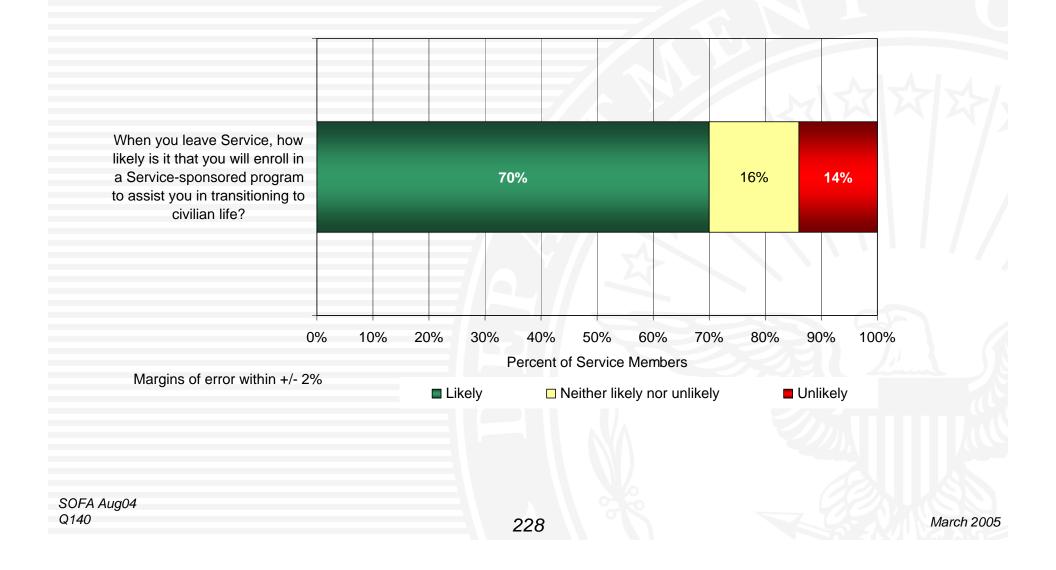
Programs Availability

All Service Members

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Current PDS offers programs to assist Service	Yes	70	67	76	76	66	59	79	69	79	66	72	75	79	75	81	66
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Margins of error within +/- 4% KEY: Higher response of "Yes" Lower response of "Yes"		Total	Based	Overseas	Base	Base	Total Non-Minority	Total Minority	Single w/ Children	Single w/o Children	Married w/ Children	Married w/o Children	Enlisted Male	Officer Male	Enlisted Female	Officer Female	Male

Likelihood of Participation

All Service Members



Likelihood of Participation

All Service Members

KEY: More likely Loss likely More unlikely		Total	Army	Navy	Marine Corps	Air Force	E1-E4	E5-E9	01-03	04-06	Army Enlisted	Army Officers	Navy Enlisted	Navy Officers	Marine Corps Enlisted	Marine Corps Officers	Air Force Enlisted	Air Force Officers
Likelihood that member will enroll in a Service-sponsored	Likely	70	69	76	63	69	56	83	62	74	70	63	76	74	62	71	70	66
program to assist in transitioning to civilian life Margins of error within +/- 4%	Unikely	14	15	11	19	14	21	7	23	16	14	22	11	15	20	17	13	20
KEY: More likely Less likely More unlikely		otal	JS Based	Verseas	In Base	Off Base	otal Non-Minority	otal Minority	ingle w/ Children	iingle w/o Children	Married w/ Children	farried w/o Children	inlisted Male	Officer Male	inlisted Female	Officer Female	Aale	emale
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Transition Assistance Programs Summary of Findings

August 2004 Findings

- 70% of Service members believe their current PDS offers programs to assist members in making the transition to civilian life
 - Led by Navy, Marine Corps, E5-E9, O4-O6, living in the US, living off base, member with children, and officer male
- 70% likely to enroll in Service-sponsored program to assist them in transitioning to civilian life when they leave Service
 - Led by Navy, E5-E9, O4-O6, living off base, minority, and married with children

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Retention

- No change in likelihood to stay on active duty (57%)
- No change in overall spouse/significant other (48%) or family (42%) support to stay
 - Family support to stay decreased 5 percentage points for Marine Corps from July 2003
- 52% of enlisted eligible members reported they would be willing to re-enlist if bonuses were big enough; 59% of eligible officers reported they would accept an additional 3-year, activeduty commitment if bonuses were big enough
 - Minimum re-enlistment bonus for additional 3 years of \$26,585 for enlisted and \$52,388 for officers
- Amount of personal and family time, opportunities to be assigned to station of choice, and opportunities for career advancement were the top non-monetary reasons to stay
- 65% reported thinking seriously about leaving the military
 - More than half indicated they gathered information on education programs and civilian jobs
 - A quarter of members reported they prepared a resume
 - 11% applied for a job and 7% interviewed for a job
- 60% of eligible Service members reported they were unlikely to join a National Guard or Reserve Unit when they left active duty

Satisfaction

- No change in overall satisfaction (61%) with *military way of life*
- No change in satisfaction with aspects of military way of life
 - Highest satisfaction with type of work you do (68%)
 - Lowest satisfaction with total compensation (49%)
- 51% to 83% satisfied with 6 out of 8 aspects of military life
 - Highest satisfaction with *job security* (83%)
 - Lowest satisfaction with amount of personal and family time (37%)
- 44% to 62% satisfied with 2 out of 4 aspects of assignments and travel
 - Highest satisfaction with types of assignments received (62%)
 - Lowest satisfaction with other military duties that take you away from your PDS (35%)
- 39% reported their current level of morale was high; 23% reported it was low
- 26% reported their unit's level of morale was high; 32% reported it was low

Tempo

Tempo

- Members reported working *longer than their normal duty day* an average of 90 days, an 8-day decrease from April 2004
 - Largest decreases for Army (down 16 days from April 2004) and E5-E9 (down 13 days from April 2004)
- Members reported being away an average of 61 days
- No change in *time away decreased their desire to stay* in the military (28%)

GWOT

- 51% of members reported participation in GWOT operations since 9-11-2001
 - Highest participation reported for Operation Iraqi Freedom
 - Lowest participation reported for Operation Noble Eagle
- Service members away for GWOT since 9-11-2001 reported being away an average of 1.8 times and an average of 218 days
- Of Service members away for GWOT since 9-11-2001
 - 81% reported being deployed to combat zone or imminent danger/hostile fire area
 - 56% reported being involved in combat operations
 - 44% reported deployments have been longer than expected
- 25% of members reported being under stop-loss at some time since 9-11-2001

Tempo (continued)

Deployments and Assignments

- Deployment information and expectations when first entered the military
 - 77% were told deployment was possible
 - 84% thought it likely during their career
 - 65% thought it likely in the first 4 years
- Deployment information and expectations to hostile or dangerous locations
 - 68% were told deployment to hostile or dangerous locations was possible
 - 73% thought it likely during their career
 - 56% thought it likely in the first 4 years
- Service members reported they had been on deployments of at least 30 days an average of 4.7 times, and on hostile location deployments an average of 1.5 times, during their careers
- 11% reported number of non-hostile deployments increased their desire to stay in the military and 14% reported it decreased their desire to stay
 - Of those, 48% reported their change in desire to stay was a result of too few deployments
 - Of those, 52% reported their change in desire to stay was a result of too many deployments
- 9% reported number of hostile deployments increased their desire to stay in the military and 18% reported it decreased their desire to stay
 - Of those, 37% reported their change in desire to stay was a result of too few deployments
 - Of those, 63% reported their change in desire to stay was a result of too many deployments
- 43% of members with spouse or dependent(s) during their most recent deployment satisfied with family care during deployment; 25% dissatisfied

Personal and Work Stress

- Levels of personal (42%) and work (52%) stress remained unchanged
 - Army (49%), E1-E4 (45%), and Army enlisted (50%) reported highest level of personal stress
 - E1-E4 (57%) and non-minorities (54%) reported highest levels of work stress

Readiness

- Personal (81%) and unit (70%) preparedness remained unchanged
- 73% reported training had prepared them well to perform their wartime job; 9% reported it had prepared them poorly

Member's Health

- Service members reported drinking alcohol an average of 4.9 occasions during the past 30 days
 - Had an average of 3.5 drinks per occasion
 - Males reported having 5 or more drinks on the same occasion an average of 2.2 times during the past 30 days
 - Females reported having 4 or more drinks on the same occasion an average of 1.1 times during the past 30 days
- Service members reported smoking an average of 3.8 cigarettes on a typical day
- Service members reported using chewing tobacco, snuff, or other smokeless tobacco an average of 2.5 days during the past 30 days
- Service members reported running, jogging, bicycling, walking briskly, or hiking for 20 minutes or more an average of 15.3 days during the past 30 days
- Service members reported engaging in at least 20 minutes of other strenuous physical activity an average of 10.6 days during the past 30 days
- 20% of members reported being overweight and 7% reported being underweight

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Compensation

- On average, it would require \$156 per month increase in basic pay to convince Service members to select a retirement system that is reduced by \$200 per month
- On average, it would require a lump sum payment of \$302,907 at the beginning of retirement to convince officers to select a retirement system with a pension that begins at age 62
- On average, it would require a lump sum payment of \$165,991 at the beginning of retirement to convince *enlisted* members to select a retirement system with a pension that begins at age 62
- Assuming no deployment pays, additional pay needed by members to volunteer going away from PDS without family ranged from \$4,315 to \$6,671 per month
 - Highest average pay required for going to an operationally dangerous place like Iraq
 - Lowest average pay required for going to a CONUS school for one year or less
- Special pay would not entice 44% of members to accept a 3-year assignment where deployments are likely; special pay needed for those willing to accept such assignments averaged \$78 per month
- Special pay would not entice 31% of members to take an assignment with additional duties; special pay needed for those willing take such duties averaged \$35 per month
- Increase in retirement pay needed to forego TriCare for Life averaged \$317 per month
- Total military earnings for 2003 (including all allowances, special pays, basic pay, and bonuses) excluding spouse earnings averaged \$34,821
- Civilian pay needed to maintain current standard of living (including employee share for health insurance and contribution to retirement) averaged \$49,345

Compensation (continued)

- 76% of members believe it is appropriate for some basic allowances, like Basic Allowance for Housing (BAH) and family separation allowance, to vary based on family/dependency status
- 73% of members believe compensation should vary with family/dependency status for those in a combat zone
- High interest financial services most used during the past 12 months by members were payday lenders (7.2%) and tax refund application loans (5.8%)
 - Number of times initial payday loan was rolled over by members who used payday lender during past 12 months averaged 4.7 times
- Officers reported that policy change from "up-or-out" to "up-or-stay" would
 - Improve morale (43%), lower morale (32%) of the officer corps
 - Improve quality (25%), lower quality (44%) of the officer corps

Transition Assistance Programs

- 70% of Service members believe their current PDS offers programs to assist members in making the transition to civilian life
- 70% likely to enroll in Service transition programs when separating