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2010 Military Family Life Project

Overview Briefing

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2010 Weighted Demographic Data

Active Duty Member Characteristics	Percent	Active Duty Spouse Characteristics	Percent
Service		Gender	
Army	40	Male	5
Navy	24	Female	95
Marine Corps	13	Average Age	32
Air Force	24	Average Years Married	7.8
Paygrade		Race/Ethnicity	
E1-E4	27	Non-Hispanic White	68
E5-E9	53	Non-Hispanic Black	9
O1-O3	9	Hispanic	12
O4-O6	10	Education	
Deployment Status		No College	16
Not Deployed Career	15 *	Some College	49
Deployed Career	82 *	4-Year College Degree	25
Deployed Past 24 Mo	41	Graduate/Professional Degree	10
Not Deployed Past 24 Mo	56	Employment	
PCS Status		Labor Force	57
PCS in Past 12 months	23 *	Employed	74
No PCS in Past 12 months	75 *	Unemployed	26
Family Status			
With Child(ren)	72		
Without Child(ren)	28		

Note: * Indicates that the percentages do not add up to 100%. This is due to rounding error and in addition, some questions were asked later in the survey and therefore reflect missing percentages.

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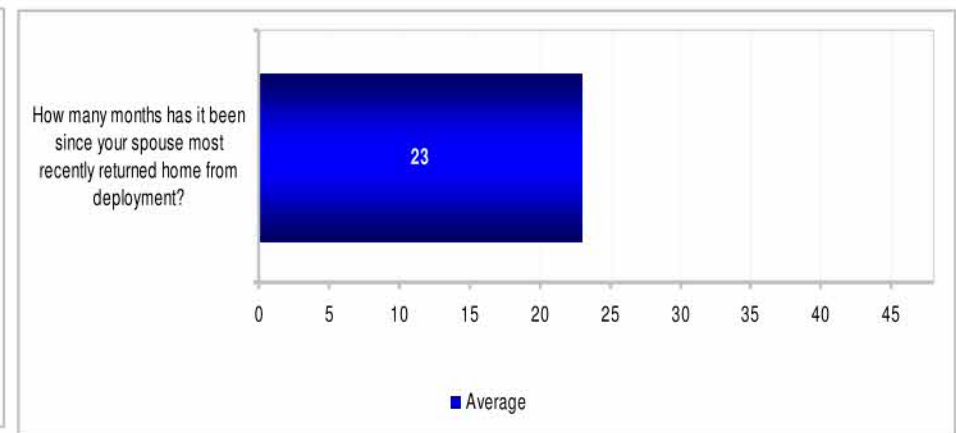
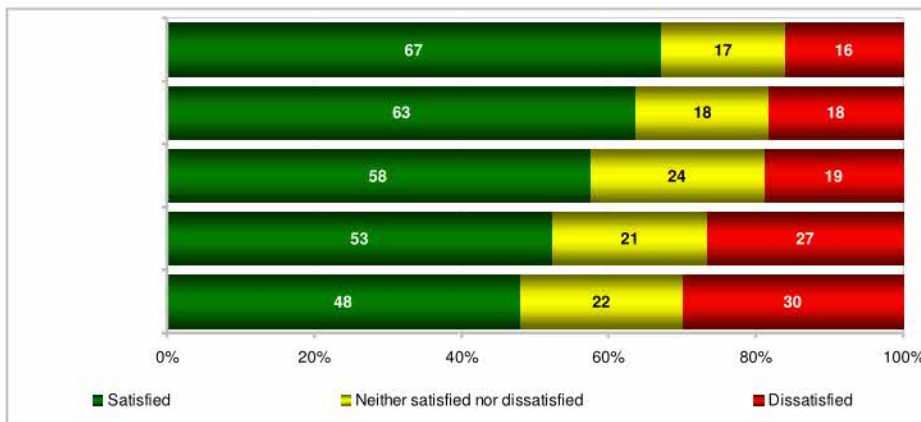
Methodology

- Survey Population
 - The target population for the *2010 Military Family Life project (2010 MFLP)* consisted of spouses of active duty members of the Army, Navy, Marine Corps, and Air Force who (1) had at least six months of service and (2) were below flag rank
- Survey design
 - The 2010 MFLP was fielded between May and August 2010
 - Data were collected both on the Web and paper-and-pen surveys
 - Survey was designed for longitudinal analysis with particular emphasis on measures of well-being (e.g., social support, marital stability) and military life events (e.g., deployment to a combat zone, member's return home from deployment)

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Briefing Includes

- Graphic displays of overall results



Margins of error range from $\pm 1\%$ to $\pm 2\%$

Margins of error do not exceed ± 1 Months

Percentages and means are reported with margins of error based on 95% confidence intervals. The range of margin of error is presented for the question or group of questions/subitems.

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Briefing Includes

- Tables showing results by reporting categories (e.g., Service, paygrade)
 - Statistical tests are used to compare each subgroup to its respective “all other” group (i.e., to all others not in the subgroup)
 - Results of statistical tests are shown by color coding significant differences among reporting categories
 - Results are not presented if the question does not apply to the reporting category or if the estimate is unstable
 - “NR” indicates the estimate is Not Reportable because it was based on fewer than 30 respondents or the relative standard error was high
 - “NA” indicates the response option was Not Applicable because the question did not apply to respondents in the reporting category based on answers to previous questions

KEY:		Total	Army	Navy	Marine Corps	Air Force	Enlisted	Officers	E1 – E4	E5 – E6	E7 – E9	O1 – O3	O4 – O6	Deployed Past 24 Months	Not Deployed Past 24 Months	PCS in Past 12 Months	No PCS in Past 12 Months	With Child(ren)	Without Child(ren)
Which best describes the financial condition of you and your spouse?	Not Comfortable	16	19	16	16	11	19	3	24	19	11	4	3	17	15	16	16	17	12
	Comfortable	59	56	59	56	66	52	86	42	52	70	83	88	58	60	58	59	57	65

Spouse Demographics		Total	Male	Female	Non-Hispanic White	Total Minority	No College	Some College	4-Year Degree	Graduate/Professional Degree	Employed	Not Employed	Less Than 26 Years Old	26 to 30 Years Old	31 to 35 Years Old	36 to 40 Years Old	More Than 40 Years Old
KEY:																	
During your spouse's most recent deployment, was he/she wounded?		3	2	3	3	3	4	4	2	2	3	4	4	4	4	3	2

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Reporting Categories

Active Duty Member

Service
Army
Navy
Marine Corps
Air Force

Rank
Enlisted
Officers

Paygrade
E1 – E4
E5 – E6
E7 – E9
O1 – O3
O4 – O6

Deployed Past 24 Months
Deployed Past 24 Months
Not Deployed Past 24 Months

PCS* Past 12 Months
PCS in Past 12 Months
No PCS in Past 12 Months

Family Status
With children
Without children

*Permanent Change of Station Move

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Reporting Categories

Active Duty Spouse

Gender
Male
Female

Race/Ethnicity
Non-Hispanic White
Total Minority

Employment
Employed
Not Employed

Education
No College
Some College
4-Year Degree
Grad/Prof Degree

Age
Less Than 21 Years Old
21 to 25 Years Old
26 to 30 Years Old
31 to 35 Years Old
36 to 40 Years Old
More Than 40 Years Old

Active Duty Child*

Gender
Male
Female

Age
Less Than 6 Years Old
6 to 12 Years Old
13 to 17 Years Old

*Child demographics are based on the selected child from Q33.

