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How academically challenging was your senior year in H.S.				
Q01	Frequency	Percent	Cumulative Frequency	Cumulative Percent
Not at all challenging	313	13.98	313	13.98
Somewhat challenging	1029	45.96	1342	59.94
Challenging	707	31.58	2049	91.51
Very challenging	190	8.49	2239	100.00

Frequency Missing = 6

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2. How many years of high school coursework have you taken in the following areas?	Number of Responses	Percentage of Responses					
		0 year	1 year	2 years	3 years	4 years	5+ years
a. Natural Sciences	2238	0.36	2.55	7.82	35.88	45.22	8.18
b. Math	2234	0.04	.	0.81	13.29	68.08	17.77
c. Foreign Language	2232	0.36	2.28	46.91	28.45	18.91	3.09
d. Social Studies	2232	0.04	0.49	6.45	50.49	38.22	4.30

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3. How many Advanced Placement courses and exams did you take in high school?	Number of Responses	Percentage of Responses					
		0 course /exam	1 course /exam	2 courses /exams	3 courses /exams	4 courses /exams	5+ courses /exams
		Question					
a. AP Courses	2220	34.37	18.33	14.73	11.44	9.59	11.53
b. AP Exams	2172	52.49	16.16	10.31	9.21	6.45	5.39

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4. What was the size of your senior class?				
Q04	Frequency	Percent	Cumulative Frequency	Cumulative Percent
1-99	276	12.31	276	12.31
100-199	508	22.66	784	34.97
200-299	532	23.73	1316	58.70
300-399	442	19.71	1758	78.41
400-499	288	12.85	2046	91.26
500 or more	196	8.74	2242	100.00

Frequency Missing = 3

5. How effective was your high school preparation for College				
Q05	Frequency	Percent	Cumulative Frequency	Cumulative Percent
Very ineffective	65	2.90	65	2.90
Ineffective	278	12.41	343	15.31
Effective	1461	65.22	1804	80.54
Very effective	436	19.46	2240	100.00

Frequency Missing = 5

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6. Rate yourself on each of the following traits as compared with the average person:	Number of Responses	Percentage of Responses					Mean	StDev
		Lowest 10%	Below average	Average	Above average	Highest 10%		
a. Academic ability	2240	0.09	1.16	25.45	59.60	13.71	3.86	0.65
b. Drive to achieve	2240	0.04	2.28	25.09	49.02	23.57	3.94	0.76
c. Self-confidence (intellectual)	2234	0.13	4.43	37.15	45.30	12.98	3.67	0.76
d. Self-confidence (social)	2236	0.76	9.12	37.88	37.48	14.76	3.56	0.88

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7. How much time did you spend during a typical week doing the following activities?	Number of Responses	Percentage of Responses							
		None	Less than 1 hour	1-2 hours	3-5 hours	6-10 hours	11-15 hours	16-20 hours	Over 20 hours
a. Studying/homework	2242	4.19	18.96	26.14	27.56	14.18	5.35	2.77	0.85
b. Socializing/partying	2236	1.65	4.11	12.12	26.30	29.83	14.49	6.08	5.41
c. Exercising or sports	2231	2.91	8.87	13.27	19.45	21.11	17.71	8.56	8.11
d. Participating in student clubs/groups	2232	12.86	16.22	30.47	22.58	11.11	3.41	1.79	1.57
e. Watching TV	2217	3.34	15.52	26.16	28.10	16.06	6.50	2.07	2.26
f. Reading for pleasure	2226	21.65	31.90	25.07	13.93	4.49	1.98	0.49	0.49
g. Playing video/computer games	2231	43.57	24.11	14.79	9.91	4.35	2.33	0.31	0.63
h. 'Surfng the web'	2230	11.97	27.71	27.85	19.42	8.43	3.05	0.67	0.90
i. Working for pay	2240	26.96	2.28	3.84	7.37	12.37	14.82	15.76	16.61

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8. During your senior year of high school, about how often did you do the following:	Number of Responses	Percentage of Responses				Mean	StDev
		Never	Sometimes	Often	Very often		
a. Asked questions in class	2238	2.01	34.90	39.14	23.95	2.85	0.80
b. Referred to knowlege acquired in your readings or classe	2236	1.79	39.71	42.98	15.52	2.72	0.74
c. Came to class without completing readings or assignments	2232	29.12	59.36	8.56	2.96	1.85	0.69
d. Read recommended texts/readings in addition to required readings	2232	29.26	48.43	17.88	4.44	1.97	0.81
e. Applied the material you were studying to a practical problem	2235	8.55	53.20	31.54	6.71	2.36	0.73
f. Contributed to class discussions	2224	1.89	24.10	40.24	33.77	3.06	0.81
g. Had serious talks with students whose race is different than yours	2235	23.22	37.67	23.80	15.30	2.31	0.99
h. Turned in course assignments late	2237	45.86	47.16	5.41	1.56	1.63	0.66
i. Took detailed notes in class	2236	6.48	26.97	41.64	24.91	2.85	0.87
j. Felt bored in class	2232	1.25	41.98	35.98	20.79	2.76	0.79
k. Worked harder than you thought to meet the standards	2237	13.63	51.45	26.69	8.23	2.30	0.80
l. Discussed ideas with others outside of class	2233	13.39	51.46	27.77	7.39	2.29	0.79
m. Did assigned homework before class	2229	1.26	21.58	41.99	35.17	3.11	0.78
n. Expressed views or opinions in class	2197	3.32	28.86	38.23	29.59	2.94	0.85
o. Turned in course assignments that did not reflect your best work	2232	10.75	72.45	14.11	2.69	2.09	0.59
p. Skipped/missed class	2220	53.96	39.01	5.32	1.71	1.55	0.68
q. Had serious talks with different religious or political believes	2236	17.31	41.23	24.91	16.55	2.41	0.96

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9. Have you experienced any of the following during the last year?	Number of Responses	Percentage of Responses	
		No	Yes
a. Serious romantic relationship	2245	39.06	60.94
b. Long-distance romantic relationship	2245	72.69	27.31
c. Serious financial difficulties	2245	85.43	14.57
d. Serious illness or injury	2245	88.15	11.85
e. "Break up" with romantic partner	2245	63.52	36.48
f. Serious problem or crisis involving close friend or family member	2245	57.77	42.23

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10. How would you describe your following skills and knowledge?	Number of Responses	Percentage of Responses					Mean	StDev
		Much weaker	Weaker	No change	Stronger	Much stronger		
a. Making effective oral presentations	2236	0.49	1.83	35.15	53.85	8.68	3.68	0.68
b. Writing effectively	2233	0.27	1.97	22.93	58.04	16.79	3.89	0.70
c. Understanding the world from a variety of viewpoints	2232	.	0.49	29.03	56.05	14.43	3.84	0.66
d. Using statistical or mathematical reasoning to solve problems	2234	0.40	4.97	36.84	46.15	11.64	3.64	0.77
e. Appreciating the arts	2226	0.76	3.28	51.84	31.67	12.44	3.52	0.78
f. Valuing cultural diversity in our society	2233	0.63	2.15	46.98	38.96	11.29	3.58	0.74
g. Applying principles of reasoning in the natural sciences	2230	0.27	4.39	52.91	35.52	6.91	3.44	0.70
h. Understanding yourself	2226	0.22	1.84	18.28	54.67	24.98	4.02	0.73
i. Using computers and information technology	2225	0.13	0.94	32.36	50.97	15.60	3.81	0.70
j. Developing a meaningful philosophy of life	2231	0.22	1.43	41.46	44.60	12.28	3.67	0.71
k. Thinking critically and analytically	2224	0.22	1.17	28.19	57.60	12.81	3.82	0.67
l. Working cooperatively in a group	2221	0.09	0.81	34.49	53.58	11.03	3.75	0.66
m. Developing insight into why you behave the way you do	2226	0.22	1.30	32.88	50.54	15.05	3.79	0.71

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11. During the past year, how often have you felt:	Number of Responses	Percentage of Responses					Mean	StDev
		Never	Rarely	Sometimes	Often	Always		
a. Sad or depressed	2225	6.65	37.62	41.08	13.98	0.67	2.64	0.83
b. Lonely	2234	13.61	40.02	33.84	11.91	0.63	2.46	0.89
c. Anxious or nervous	2227	4.00	22.63	47.37	23.44	2.56	2.98	0.85
d. Intimidated by your teachers/professors	2231	30.43	39.67	23.85	5.33	0.72	2.06	0.90
e. Concerned about meeting new people	2234	19.92	29.32	32.86	15.13	2.78	2.52	1.06
f. Unmotivated	2234	15.89	34.65	33.44	14.64	1.39	2.51	0.97
g. Isolated from others	2231	34.29	38.82	20.30	6.10	0.49	2.00	0.91
h. Tired and lacking in energy	2234	6.22	26.50	41.81	21.67	3.80	2.90	0.93
i. Out of control	2232	53.99	29.84	12.54	3.05	0.58	1.66	0.85
j. Worried about your health	2230	41.26	33.41	17.26	7.13	0.94	1.93	0.98
k. A lot of stress in your life	2233	10.57	24.90	31.35	25.26	7.93	2.95	1.11

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12. Indicate how much you agree or disagree with the following statements:	Number of Responses	Percentage of Responses					Mean	StDev
		Strongly disagree	Disagree	Not sure	Agree	Strongly agree		
a. I feel that my grades are an accurate reflection of my abilities	2236	5.10	24.60	14.22	44.72	11.36	3.33	1.12
b. I needlessly delay finishing jobs, even when they're important	2231	13.27	39.71	16.49	27.21	3.32	2.68	1.11
c. I enjoy discussions with people whose ideas and values are different	2233	0.67	5.51	20.69	56.20	16.93	3.83	0.79
d. In uncertain times, I usually expect the best	2226	2.83	18.01	32.79	38.95	7.41	3.30	0.94
e. I often do my best work in school	2230	2.20	19.64	18.74	46.59	12.83	3.48	1.02
f. When I have a deadline, I wait until the last minute	2221	6.53	30.89	17.96	35.39	9.23	3.10	1.13
g. Talking with people with different values helps me understand myself	2233	1.30	8.82	33.36	45.32	11.20	3.56	0.85
h. If something can go wrong for me, it will	2226	8.22	40.97	28.84	18.28	3.68	2.68	0.98
i. Being a good students is an important part of who I am	2227	0.58	6.74	14.01	54.24	24.43	3.95	0.84
j. I keep putting off improving my work habits	2224	8.05	38.80	25.00	25.45	2.70	2.76	1.01
k. I enjoy taking courses that challenge my beliefs and values	2224	2.07	13.76	34.98	39.88	9.31	3.41	0.91
l. I'm always optimistic about my future	2228	1.35	11.49	21.41	48.29	17.46	3.69	0.93
m. My grades do not tell me anything about my academic potential	2228	12.66	41.43	23.20	18.40	4.31	2.60	1.06
n. I'm a time waster now but I can't seem to do anything about it	2220	17.48	48.20	21.26	11.53	1.53	2.31	0.94
o. Learning from different cultures is a very important college education	2227	2.25	13.16	31.93	41.85	10.82	3.46	0.93
p. I rarely count on good things happening to me	2223	14.35	48.45	18.76	15.70	2.74	2.44	1.01
q. School gives me a sense of accomplishment	2222	0.99	8.19	20.88	57.02	12.92	3.73	0.82
r. I promise myself I'll do something and then I drag my feet	2198	7.69	37.76	26.34	25.52	2.68	2.78	1.00
s. Contact those with different background is an essential education	2214	2.17	12.10	36.68	38.48	10.57	3.43	0.91
t. Overall, I expect more good things to happen to me than bad	2223	1.17	6.39	19.07	55.33	18.04	3.83	0.84

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13. How nervous are you about leaving home to college				
Q13	Frequency	Percent	Cumulative Frequency	Cumulative Percent
Not at all nervous	634	28.41	634	28.41
Somewhat nervous	1096	49.10	1730	77.51
Nervous	342	15.32	2072	92.83
Very nervous	160	7.17	2232	100.00

Frequency Missing = 13

14. Frequency of going home while at college				
Q14	Frequency	Percent	Cumulative Frequency	Cumulative Percent
Never	93	4.18	93	4.18
Very infrequently	473	21.26	566	25.44
Once a month	862	38.74	1428	64.18
Every other weekend	502	22.56	1930	86.74
Every weekend	163	7.33	2093	94.07
Live at home	132	5.93	2225	100.00

Frequency Missing = 20

15. Hours of employment during first term in UK				
Q15	Frequency	Percent	Cumulative Frequency	Cumulative Percent
Undecided	648	29.03	648	29.03
0 or only occasional jobs	1010	45.25	1658	74.28
1 to 5	64	2.87	1722	77.15
6 to 10	158	7.08	1880	84.23
11 to 15	162	7.26	2042	91.49
16 to 20	134	6.00	2176	97.49
Over 20	56	2.51	2232	100.00

Frequency Missing = 13

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16. On a scale of 1 to 10, your chance of earning a 3.0 GPA				
Q16	Frequency	Percent	Cumulative Frequency	Cumulative Percent
One	1	0.05	1	0.05
Two	5	0.23	6	0.27
Three	9	0.41	15	0.68
Four	25	1.13	40	1.80
Five	80	3.60	120	5.40
Six	141	6.35	261	11.75
Seven	340	15.31	601	27.06
Eight	552	24.85	1153	51.91
Nine	468	21.07	1621	72.99
Ten	600	27.01	2221	100.00

Frequency Missing = 24

17. On a scale of 1 to 10, your chance of graduating within 4 years				
Q17	Frequency	Percent	Cumulative Frequency	Cumulative Percent
One	93	4.19	93	4.19
Two	26	1.17	119	5.36
Three	54	2.43	173	7.79
Four	41	1.85	214	9.64
Five	127	5.72	341	15.36
Six	99	4.46	440	19.82
Seven	200	9.01	640	28.83
Eight	387	17.43	1027	46.26
Nine	475	21.40	1502	67.66
Ten	718	32.34	2220	100.00

Frequency Missing = 25

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18. How concerned are you about your ability to pay for your college education				
Q18	Frequency	Percent	Cumulative Frequency	Cumulative Percent
Not concerned, I'm confident I will have enough funds	1150	51.66	1150	51.66
Somewhat concerned, I'll probably have enough funds.	806	36.21	1956	87.87
Very concerned, not sure I'll have enough funds	270	12.13	2226	100.00

Frequency Missing = 19

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19. Indicate whether each of the following will be a funding source for your college education?	Number of Responses	Percentage of Responses			Mean	StDev
		Not a source	Minor source	Major source		
a. Parents/Relatives	2201	6.32	17.99	75.69	2.69	0.58
b. Veteran's benefits	2169	97.28	1.48	1.24	1.04	0.25
c. Educational grants	2166	68.28	16.48	15.24	1.47	0.74
d. KEES Scholarship	2183	25.47	37.88	36.65	2.11	0.78
e. Other Scholarship	2181	45.80	28.56	25.63	1.80	0.82
f. Student loans	2177	56.73	18.37	24.90	1.68	0.85
g. Employment while attending college	2179	53.83	37.04	9.13	1.55	0.66
h. Personal savings	2170	45.07	41.24	13.69	1.69	0.70

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20. Do you plan to join a fraternity/sorority?				
Q20	Frequency	Percent	Cumulative Frequency	Cumulative Percent
No	1058	48.09	1058	48.09
Not sure	537	24.41	1595	72.50
Yes	605	27.50	2200	100.00

Frequency Missing = 45

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21. How important each of the following goals or expectations are for you in your college career?	Number of Responses	Percentage of Responses			Mean	StDev
		Not important	Somewhat important	Very important		
a. To develop my intellectual capabilities	2196	0.87	18.31	80.83	2.80	0.42
b. To become a cultured person	2192	6.71	41.06	52.24	2.46	0.62
c. To qualify for a job	2192	2.01	10.22	87.77	2.86	0.40
d. To study new subjects and ideas	2195	1.64	32.12	66.24	2.65	0.51
e. To make new friends	2193	1.23	20.47	78.29	2.77	0.45
f. To join a student organization	2192	16.29	46.76	36.95	2.21	0.70
g. To acquire a broad general education	2190	3.65	34.93	61.42	2.58	0.56
h. To attend athletic events	2188	13.39	36.75	49.86	2.36	0.71
i. To increase my earning power in the job market	2190	3.79	19.54	76.67	2.73	0.52
j. To please my parents	2189	11.19	40.43	48.38	2.37	0.68
k. To train for a specific career	2190	2.37	17.03	80.59	2.78	0.47

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22. Highest degree you ultimately plan to earn				
Q22	Frequency	Percent	Cumulative Frequency	Cumulative Percent
I do not plan to complete a degree	7	0.32	7	0.32
Bachelor's degree	360	16.58	367	16.90
Master's degree	858	39.52	1225	56.43
Professional degree	537	24.74	1762	81.16
Doctoral degree	409	18.84	2171	100.00

Frequency Missing = 74

25. Population in your hometown				
Q25	Frequency	Percent	Cumulative Frequency	Cumulative Percent
1,000 or less	49	2.28	49	2.28
1,001 to 3,000	131	6.10	180	8.38
3,001 to 7,000	185	8.61	365	16.99
7,001 to 10,000	144	6.70	509	23.70
10,001 to 20,000	255	11.87	764	35.57
20,001 to 50,000	346	16.11	1110	51.68
50,001 to 100,000	201	9.36	1311	61.03
100,001 to 250,000	162	7.54	1473	68.58
250,001 to 500,000	256	11.92	1729	80.49
more than 500,000	419	19.51	2148	100.00

Frequency Missing = 97

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26. The distance between your home and UK				
Q26	Frequency	Percent	Cumulative Frequency	Cumulative Percent
Less than 10 miles	232	10.57	232	10.57
11 to 50 miles	240	10.94	472	21.51
51 to 100 miles	777	35.41	1249	56.93
101 to 300 miles	613	27.94	1862	84.87
301 to 600 miles	214	9.75	2076	94.62
More than 600 miles	118	5.38	2194	100.00

Frequency Missing = 51

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27. What is the highest level of education achieved by your parents?	Number of Responses	Percentage of Responses						Mean	StDev
		Less than high school graduate	High school graduate or GED	1 to 3 years of college or technical training	4-year college degree (BA, BS)	Master's degree	Ph.D., M.D., or J.D.		
Mother's highest education	2190	1.60	20.91	23.52	31.46	19.73	2.79	3.55	1.15
Father's highest education	2173	1.93	19.42	18.32	32.58	18.45	9.30	3.74	1.27

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28. Family income				
Q28	Frequency	Percent	Cumulative Frequency	Cumulative Percent
\$30,000 or less	164	7.94	164	7.94
\$30,001 to \$40,000	102	4.94	266	12.88
\$40,001 to \$50,000	125	6.05	391	18.93
\$50,001 to \$60,000	183	8.86	574	27.78
\$60,001 to \$70,000	189	9.15	763	36.93
\$70,001 to \$80,000	211	10.21	974	47.14
\$80,001 to \$90,000	168	8.13	1142	55.28
\$90,001 to \$100,000	192	9.29	1334	64.57
\$100,001 to \$120,000	288	13.94	1622	78.51
More than \$120,000	444	21.49	2066	100.00

Frequency Missing = 179

Survey students' college				
COLLEGE	Frequency	Percent	Cumulative Frequency	Cumulative Percent
Agriculture	164	7.31	164	7.31
Health Sciences	97	4.32	261	11.63
Arts and Sciences	453	20.18	714	31.80
Business and Economics	294	13.10	1008	44.90
Communications	85	3.79	1093	48.69
Design	42	1.87	1135	50.56
Education	116	5.17	1251	55.72
Engineering	180	8.02	1431	63.74
Fine Arts	53	2.36	1484	66.10
Nursing	46	2.05	1530	68.15
Social Work	3	0.13	1533	68.29
Undergraduate Studies	712	31.71	2245	100.00

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Survey students' gender				
SEX	Frequency	Percent	Cumulative Frequency	Cumulative Percent
Female	1246	55.50	1246	55.50
Male	999	44.50	2245	100.00

Survey students' race				
RACE	Frequency	Percent	Cumulative Frequency	Cumulative Percent
Nonresident Alien	7	0.31	7	0.31
African American	146	6.50	153	6.82
American Indian	2	0.09	155	6.90
Asian	41	1.83	196	8.73
Hispanic	19	0.85	215	9.58
White	1983	88.33	2198	97.91
Missing	47	2.09	2245	100.00