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## Great Bend Labor Availability Analysis Executive Summary

The Great Bend labor basin encompasses eight counties in Central Kansas. The purpose of this report is an assessment of the "available labor pool" in this labor basin. The "available labor pool" is comprised of those who indicate that they are either looking for employment, or would consider changing their jobs for the right employment opportunity.

The Docking Institute of Public Affairs' independent analysis of the Great Bend labor basin shows that:

- There is an available labor pool in the Great Bend labor basin of 16,719. It is estimated that 499 unemployed and 2,662 employed workers are actively seeking new employment, while 13,558 would consider changing employment for the right opportunities.
- $76.4 \%$ of the available labor pool have at least some college education. A total of 95.0\% have at least a high school diploma.
- $32.8 \%$, or an estimated 5,486 workers in the available labor pool, are underemployed.
- $15.9 \%$ of the available labor pool, or 2,657 people, would be interested in an employment opportunity with a wage of $\$ 8.00$ an hour. At $\$ 10.00$ an hour, 5,647 people ( $33.8 \%$ of the available labor) would be interested, while at $\$ 12.00$ an hour, 7,861 people (47.0\% of the available labor) would be interested.
- Depending upon distance, workers in this area are willing to commute to take advantage of employment opportunities. An estimated 12,423 (74.3\% of the available labor) would commute 20 miles or more, one way, for employment. 8,873 ( $53.1 \%$ of the available labor) are willing to travel 30 miles or more, one way, for an employment opportunity and 1,494 ( $8.9 \%$ ) will commute more than 60 miles.


## Great Bend Labor Availability Analysis

The Great Bend labor basin encompasses seven counties in Central Kansas (Barton, Ellsworth, Pawnee, Rice, Rush, Russell, Stafford, and the Nickerson area of Reno). The criteria used to include a county in this labor basin are whether it has a significant border adjacent to Barton County, if the county is also close in proximity to Great Bend, and if it has an established driving route for commuting to Great Bend. The Great Bend labor basin has a total population that exceeds 68,000. It has a civilian labor force of almost 35,000. Even with an unemployment rate of only $2.7 \%$ there is an ample supply of available labor to support a major new employer. The Docking Institute's independent analysis of this labor basin shows that there are 3,161 workers ( $9.1 \%$ of available labor) who are actively seeking new employment and 13,558 (39.2\% of available labor) who would consider new employment given the right benefits and opportunity.


## Available Labor Pool

Traditional methods of assessing the dynamics of the labor force have concentrated on census based labor force characteristics like the unemployment rate, average age, education levels, and dominant sectors of employment. Even though these data are useful, especially when examined over time, these census data paint an incomplete picture. For example, most new employers draw their workforce from those who are presently employed, not those who are unemployed. In addition, these census based data could stereotype a community that is dominated by manufacturing employment as one that would not support the labor needs of a service sector/information based employer, even though the quantity and qualifications of workers who would likely apply for this type of employment may be sufficient to support the needs of this type of employer. In sum, these aggregate data simply cannot reveal the quantity or quality of the labor pool that would be available for new employment opportunities.

This section assesses the characteristics of the available labor pool in the Great Bend labor basin by answering the following questions: 1) What proportion of the labor force--employed, unemployed, homemaker, and retired--would seriously consider applying for a new employment opportunity? 2) What types of considerations (pay, benefits, commuting distance) shape their decision-making? 3) What is the quality of those who would seriously consider a new employment opportunity?

The "available labor pool" represents those who indicate that they are either looking, or would consider changing their jobs, for the right employment opportunity. The percent in the available labor pool is derived from a random digit telephone survey of 633 employed, unemployed, and retired adults living in the Great Bend labor basin. When all 633 respondents are included in the analysis, the survey findings have a margin of error of $+/-3.9 \%$. The margin of error for subgroups is higher. Most of these analyses are based on a subgroup of 201 respondents who are members of the civilian labor force, or who are retired, students, or housewives who state they are "available" (see definition above). For these 201 respondents, the survey has a margin of error of $+/-6.9 \%$. The "Methods" section of this report details the survey methods used in this report.

The advantage of this survey methodology is that it allows researchers to ask questions of members of the civilian labor force (people currently working, receiving unemployment benefits, or unemployed seeking work) and potential members of the labor force (students, retired, and homemakers) concerning their availability for new employment. In practice, not all of the available labor pool will apply for a new job opportunity. Rather the available labor pool represents those with a propensity to consider a new job opportunity given their employment expectations.

Combining these survey data with 1999 Kansas Statistical Abstract data, these analyses use "adjusted" civilian labor force statistics ${ }^{1}$ that take into account the percentage of non-civilians (generally students, homemakers, military, retirees, and long-term unemployed) who are seeking employment or would consider coming into the civilian labor force under the right conditions.

Based on these calculations, Figure 1 shows that there is an available labor pool in the Great Bend labor basin of 16,719 . It is estimated that 499 unemployed $^{2}$ and 2,662 employed workers are seeking new employment, while 13,558 employed workers would consider changing jobs for the right opportunities.


Table 1 (next page) shows the various occupations of these 16,719 potential employees. Professional occupations represent $33.5 \%$ of the available labor pool, while service sector jobs comprise another $32.0 \%$. Traditional blue-collar occupations represent approximately $31.0 \%$ of the available labor force. Finally, the unemployed, retirees, and homemakers represent $3.5 \%$ of the available labor pool.

[^0]Table 1: Occupation

|  | Number | Percent |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| Mechanic,Welder | 849 | 5.1 |
| Factory Worker,Meat Packer | 170 | 1.0 |
| General Labor | 4,159 | 24.9 |
| Governmental, Business, and other Professional | 3,140 | 18.8 |
| Clerical | 849 | 5.1 |
| Educator or Professor | 2,461 | 14.7 |
| Other White Collar | 1,867 | 11.2 |
| Social Service (e.g.health,babysitting) | 1,443 | 8.6 |
| Sales, Hotel, Restaurant, Food Service | 1,188 | 7.1 |
| Homemakers and Retirees | 255 | 1.5 |
| Unemployed | 339 | 2.0 |
| Total | 16,719 | 100.0 |

(Numbers may not total accurately due to rounding.)
Table 2 shows the age, gender, and educational levels of these 16,719 potential workers. At $51.7 \%$, males represent slightly more of the available labor pool than do females. The average and median years born are 1957 ( 44 years old) and 1956 (45 years old), respectively. The available labor pool is also well educated. $76.4 \%$ of the available labor have at least some college education. A total of $95.0 \%$ have at least a high school diploma.

Table 2: Age, Gender, and Education Level

| Age |  |  |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: |
|  | Year Born |  |  |
| Average | 1957 |  |  |
| Median | 1956 |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |
| Gender | Number | Percent |  |
|  | 8,068 | 48.3 |  |
| Female | 51.7 |  |  |
| Male | 8,651 | 100.0 |  |
| Total | 16,719 |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |
| Highest Level of Education Achieved |  |  |  |
|  |  | 16.6 | 16.6 |
| Graduate Degree | 2,773 | 18.1 | 34.7 |
| Bachelors Degree | 3,025 | 10.6 | 45.2 |
| 60-120 College Hours | 1,764 | 7.5 | 52.8 |
| Associates Degree | 1,260 | 23.6 | 76.4 |
| 0-60 College Hours | 3,949 | 18.6 | 95.0 |
| High School Diploma Only | 3,109 | 5.0 | 100.0 |
| Less Than HS Diploma | 840 | 100.0 |  |
| Total | 16,719 |  |  |

Zip codes of respondents were used to map the available labor. Map 2 shows how each zip code in the basin compares to all other zip codes in terms of percent of total available labor for a job in Great Bend. Each zip code is grouped into one of five categories specified in the key.


Underemployment-individuals possessing skills and/or training that exceeds the responsibilities of their current job-is a significant issue in many rural communities. To assess the level of underemployment, the survey asked respondents if their skills, education, or talents are underutilized in their current job. Figure 2 shows that about $32.8 \%$, or an estimated 5,486 workers in the available labor pool, are underemployed.


Table 3 shows the high education levels of these underemployed workers in the available labor pool, with $79.0 \%$ having at least some college education. A total of $95.2 \%$ have at least a high school diploma.

Table 3: Highest Level of Education Achieved By Underemployed

|  | Number | Percent | Cum. Percent |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Graduate Degree | 531 | 9.7 | 9.7 |
| Bachelors Degree | 1,150 | 21.0 | 30.6 |
| 60-120 College Hours | 796 | 14.5 | 45.2 |
| Associates Degree | 708 | 12.9 | 58.1 |
| 0-60 College Hours | 1,150 | 21.0 | 79.0 |
| High School Diploma Only | 885 | 16.1 | 95.2 |
| Less Than HS Diploma | 265 | 4.8 | 100.0 |
| Total | 5,486 | 100 |  |

The underemployed workers also tend to be currently employed in areas of strong demand. Figure 3 (next page) illustrates that $32 \%$ ( 1,770 people) are in customer service related occupations, $27 \%$ (1,504 people) are in professional positions, $24 \%$ (1,327 people) are employed as general laborers, and 15\% (665 people) are in skilled or semi-skilled blue collar occupations.

Figure 3: Occupational Groups of Underemployed


Some workers may be available for a new employment opportunity, but are unwilling to switch from their current job to a different type of position. If there are a large percentage of worker unwilling to change their job descriptions, it limits the type of employers who can successfully enter the labor basin. However, this is not the case in the Great Bend labor basin. Table 4 indicates that $85.3 \%$ of the available labor pool, or 14,255 workers, would be willing to accept a position outside their primary field of employment (for example, manufacturing employment to service sector employment).

Table 4: Willing to Take Job Outside of Primary Field

|  | Number | Percent |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| Yes | 14,255 | 85.3 |
| No | 2,464 | 14.7 |
| Total | 16,719 | 100.0 |

Figure 4 (next page) shows the wage demands of the available labor pool.
$15.9 \%$ of the available labor pool, or 2,657 people, would be interested in an employment opportunity with a wage of $\$ 8.00$ an hour. At $\$ 10.00$ an hour, 5,647 people ( $33.8 \%$ of the available labor) would be interested, and at $\$ 12.00$ an hour, 7,861 people ( $47.0 \%$ of the available labor pool) would be interested.

Figure 4: Available Labor by Hourly Wage


Table 5 indicates that the available labor pool in the Great Bend labor basin is likely to commute. The table shows 12,423 ( $74.3 \%$ of the available labor) would commute 20 miles or more, one way, for employment. It also shows that 8,873 (53.1\% of the available labor) are willing to travel 30 miles or more, one way, for an employment opportunity and 1,494 ( $8.9 \%$ ) will commute 60 or more miles.

Table 5: Distance Available Labor Will Commute

|  | Cumulative |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
|  | Number | Percent |
| 60 Miles or More | 1,494 | 8.9 |
| 50 Miles or More | 2,615 | 15.6 |
| 40 Miles or More | 3,362 | 20.1 |
| 30 Miles or More | 8,873 | 53.1 |
| 20 Miles or More | 12,423 | 74.3 |

Table 6 shows that the most important benefit affecting workers' decisions to leave their present job is higher pay ( $95.9 \%$ ), followed by improved retirement benefits ( $74.6 \%$ ), better educational opportunities (56.9\%), and improved health benefits (56.6\%).

Table 6: Benefit Very Important In Decision to Change Employment

|  | Percent Responding "Yes" |
| :--- | ---: |
| Salary | 95.9 |
| Retirement | 74.6 |
| Educational Opportunities | 56.9 |
| Health Benefits | 56.6 |
| Different Community | 36.7 |

## Manufacturing and Service Sector Scenarios

To obtain a clearer perspective of the percentage of the labor force that would seriously consider a new employment opportunity--the available labor pool--the analysis builds two scenarios. The first scenario is for a manufacturing employer, while the second is for a service sector employer. For both scenarios, the analysis controls for:

1) Whether the individual is willing to drive the necessary miles from his/her community to the location of the hypothetical employer.
2) Whether the respondent's expected wage is above $\$ 12.00$ an hour.
3) Whether the respondent is unwilling to change his/her primary field of employment (for example: service sector to manufacturing).

Figures 5 and 6 (next page) show the available labor pool in Great Bend for each type of employer. The available labor for a manufacturing employer offering up to $\$ 12$ an hour is about 1,286 workers, while at $\$ 10$ an hour the pool is 884 workers. For a service sector employer offering $\$ 12$ an hour, the available labor is 1,326 workers. At $\$ 10.00$ an hour, a service sector employer can expect to find 924 available workers.

Figure 5: Available Labor for Manufacturing in Great Bend by Hourly Wage


Figure 6: Available Labor for Service Sector in Great Bend by Hourly Wage


Respondents were also asked about the number of full and part time workers other than the respondent that live in their household. Figure 7 shows that 49\% (308 of the 633 respondents that answered this question) have at least one other person in their household that works at a full or part-time job.

## Figure 7: Others in Household Working Full or Part-Time



Respondents indicating that at least one other person in their household works full or part-time were asked to provide the number of additional people in the home that are working. Table 7 shows that $43.0 \%$ of the 633 survey respondents have one additional full or part-time worker in their household. $3.9 \%$ have two people in addition to the respondent that work full or part-time. Only $1.7 \%$ of the respondents indicate that three or more additional members of their household work at a full or part-time job.

Table 7: Number of Additional People in Household
that are Working ( $\mathrm{N}=308$ )

|  | Frequency | Valid Percent |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| 1 Person | 272 | $43.0 \%$ |
| 2 People | 25 | $3.9 \%$ |
| 3 or More People | 11 | $1.7 \%$ |
| DK-RA | 1 | $0.2 \%$ |
| "No" In Figure 7 | 324 | $51.2 \%$ |
| Total | 633 | $100.0 \%$ |

## Methods

The findings from this survey are based on a random digit telephone sample of 633 adults living in 7 counties in Central Kansas. The survey was conducted February 7, 2001 to February 16, 2001 using a Computer Assisted Telephone Interviewing (CATI) system. The City of Great Bend contracted the University Center for Survey Research at the Docking Institute of Public Affairs to conduct this regional labor assessment. A total of 750 households were successfully contacted. In 633 of these households, an adult who is working, unemployed, or retired agreed to do the interview. This represents a response rate of $84 \%$.

The Docking Institute of Public Affairs in cooperation with the survey sponsors developed the survey instrument. This survey instrument is the property of the Docking Institute. It is available upon request. A detailed summary of the method of analysis used in this report can be found in Joseph A. Aistrup and Mark Bannister, "Assessing the Available Labor Pool: A Survey of the Northeast Kansas Labor Force." Kansas Business Review, Spring 1998, 21, 3: 1-10.

## Appendix Survey Frequencies

q1 Working Status

|  |  |  |  |  | Cumulative <br> Percent |
| :--- | :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Valid | Wrequency | Percent | Valid Percent | 57.2 | 57.2 |
|  | Homemaker | 362 | 57.2 | 57.2 | 63.5 |
|  | Unemployed | 40 | 6.3 | 6.3 | 65.4 |
|  | 12 | 1.9 | 1.9 | 100.0 |  |
|  | Retired | 219 | 34.6 | 34.6 |  |

q1a Type of Position

|  |  |  |  |  | Cumulative <br> Percent |
| :--- | :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Valid | Full-Time | 322 | 50.9 | 89.4 | 89.4 |
|  | Part-Time | 37 | 5.8 | 10.3 | 99.7 |
|  | Temporary | 1 | .2 | .3 | 100.0 |
|  | Total | 360 | 56.9 | 100.0 |  |
| Missing | System | 273 | 43.1 |  |  |
| Total |  | 633 | 100.0 |  |  |

q1b Self-Employed

|  |  |  |  |  | Cumulative <br> Percent |
| :--- | :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Valid | Yes | 86 | 13.6 | 24.0 | 24.0 |
|  | No | 273 | 43.1 | 76.0 | 100.0 |
|  | Total | 359 | 56.7 | 100.0 |  |
| Missing | System | 274 | 43.3 |  |  |
| Total |  | 633 | 100.0 |  |  |


|  |  | Frequency | Percent | Valid Percent | Cumulative Percent |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Valid | General Labor,Construction | 25 | 3.9 | 4.0 | 4.0 |
|  | Mechanic, Welder | 16 | 2.5 | 2.5 | 6.5 |
|  | Farmer,Agric Worker | 37 | 5.8 | 5.9 | 12.4 |
|  | Factory Worker,Meat Packer | 6 | . 9 | 1.0 | 13.4 |
|  | Other Blue Collar | 33 | 5.2 | 5.3 | 18.6 |
|  | Governmental Service (police,fire) | 11 | 1.7 | 1.8 | 20.4 |
|  | Business <br> Professional,Owner,Man ager,Banker,Finance | 43 | 6.8 | 6.8 | 27.2 |
|  | Doctor,Attorney,Engineer | 19 | 3.0 | 3.0 | 30.3 |
|  | Clerical | 23 | 3.6 | 3.7 | 33.9 |
|  | Arts \& Crafts | 4 | . 6 | . 6 | 34.6 |
|  | Sales | 12 | 1.9 | 1.9 | 36.5 |
|  | Educator or Professor | 46 | 7.3 | 7.3 | 43.8 |
|  | Other White Collar | 42 | 6.6 | 6.7 | 50.5 |
|  | Social Service (health,babysitting) | 30 | 4.7 | 4.8 | 55.3 |
|  | Hotel,Restaurant,Food Service | 8 | 1.3 | 1.3 | 56.5 |
|  | Homemaker | 1 | . 2 | . 2 | 56.7 |
|  | Full or Part Time Student | 41 | 6.5 | 6.5 | 63.2 |
|  | Unemployed | 12 | 1.9 | 1.9 | 65.1 |
|  | Retired | 219 | 34.6 | 34.9 | 100.0 |
|  | Total | 628 | 99.2 | 100.0 |  |
| Missing | System | 5 | . 8 |  |  |
| Total |  | 633 | 100.0 |  |  |

q3d Health Insurance

|  |  | Frequency | Percent | Valid Percent | Cumulative <br> Percent |
| :--- | :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Valid | Yes | 563 | 88.9 | 89.4 | 89.4 |
|  | No | 67 | 10.6 | 10.6 | 100.0 |
|  | Total | 630 | 99.5 | 100.0 |  |
| Missing | System | 3 | .5 |  |  |
| Total |  | 633 | 100.0 |  |  |

q3e Employer Provides Health Insurance

|  |  |  |  |  | Cumulative <br> Percent |
| :--- | :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Valid | Yes | 273 | 43.1 | 88.9 | 88.9 |
|  | No | 34 | 5.4 | 11.1 | 100.0 |
|  | Total | 307 | 48.5 | 100.0 |  |
| Missing | System | 326 | 51.5 |  |  |
| Total |  | 633 | 100.0 |  |  |

q3f Employer Provides Retirement Benefits

|  |  |  |  |  | Cumulative <br> Percent |
| :--- | :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Valid | Yes | 214 | 33.8 | 78.4 | 78.4 |
|  | No | 59 | 9.3 | 21.6 | 100.0 |
|  | Total | 273 | 43.1 | 100.0 |  |
| Missing | System | 360 | 56.9 |  |  |
| Total |  | 633 | 100.0 |  |  |

q3g Employer Provides Paid Vacation

|  |  |  |  |  | Cumulative <br> Percent |
| :--- | :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Valid | Yes | 220 | 34.8 | 80.9 | 80.9 |
|  | No | 52 | 8.2 | 19.1 | 100.0 |
|  | Total | 272 | 43.0 | 100.0 |  |
| Missing | System | 361 | 57.0 |  |  |
| Total |  | 633 | 100.0 |  |  |


| q3h Employer Provides Life Insurance |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Frequency | Percent | Valid Percent | Cumulative Percent |
| Valid | Yes | 182 | 28.8 | 67.4 | 67.4 |
|  | No | 88 | 13.9 | 32.6 | 100.0 |
|  | Total | 270 | 42.7 | 100.0 |  |
| Missing | System | 363 | 57.3 |  |  |
| Total |  | 633 | 100.0 |  |  |


q6 Currently Looking for a Different Full-Time Job

|  |  |  |  |  | Cumulative <br> Percent |
| :--- | :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Valid | Yes | 32 | 5.1 | 9.9 | 9.9 |
|  | No | 290 | 45.8 | 90.1 | 100.0 |
|  | Total | 322 | 50.9 | 100.0 |  |
| Missing | System | 311 | 49.1 |  |  |
| Total |  | 633 | 100.0 |  |  |

q7 Currently Looking for a Full-Time Job (unemployed)

|  |  |  |  |  | Cumulative <br> Percent |
| :--- | :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Valid | Yes | 14 | 2.2 | 4.5 | 4.5 |
|  | No | 299 | 47.2 | 95.5 | 100.0 |
|  | Total | 313 | 49.4 | 100.0 |  |
| Missing | System | 320 | 50.6 |  |  |
| Total |  | 633 | 100.0 |  |  |

q8 If Right Opportunity Would Consider Leaving Present Job

|  |  | Frequency | Percent | Valid Percent | Cumulative <br> Percent |
| :--- | :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Valid | Yes | 163 | 25.8 | 50.6 | 50.6 |
|  | No | 159 | 25.1 | 49.4 | 100.0 |
|  | Total | 322 | 50.9 | 100.0 |  |
| Missing | System | 311 | 49.1 |  |  |
| Total |  | 633 | 100.0 |  |  |

q8a Improved Health Benefits Important to Change Job

|  |  |  |  |  | Cumulative <br> Percent |
| :--- | :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Valid | Yes | 111 | 17.5 | 56.6 | 56.6 |
|  | No | 85 | 13.4 | 43.4 | 100.0 |
|  | Total | 196 | 31.0 | 100.0 |  |
| Missing | System | 437 | 69.0 |  |  |
| Total |  | 633 | 100.0 |  |  |

q8b Education Opportunities Important to Change Job

|  |  | Frequency | Percent | Valid Percent | Cumulative <br> Percent |
| :--- | :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Valid | Yes | 111 | 17.5 | 56.9 | 56.9 |
|  | No | 84 | 13.3 | 43.1 | 100.0 |
|  | Total | 195 | 30.8 | 100.0 |  |
| Missing | System | 438 | 69.2 |  |  |
| Total |  | 633 | 100.0 |  |  |

q8c Increase Salary Important to Change Job

|  |  |  |  |  | Cumulative <br> Percent |
| :--- | :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Valid | Yes | 189 | 29.9 | 95.9 | 95.9 |
|  | No | 8 | 1.3 | 4.1 | 100.0 |
|  | Total | 197 | 31.1 | 100.0 |  |
| Missing | System | 436 | 68.9 |  |  |
| Total |  | 633 | 100.0 |  |  |

q8d Improved Retirement Important to Change Job

|  |  |  |  |  | Cumulative |
| :--- | :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Prequency | Percent | Valid Percent | Percent |  |  |
| Valid | Yes | 147 | 23.2 | 74.6 | 74.6 |
|  | No | 50 | 7.9 | 25.4 | 100.0 |
|  | Total | 197 | 31.1 | 100.0 |  |
| Missing | System | 436 | 68.9 |  |  |
| Total |  | 633 | 100.0 |  |  |

q8e Different Community Important to Change Job

|  |  |  |  |  | Cumulative <br> Percent |
| :--- | :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Valid | Yes | 72 | 11.4 | 36.7 | 36.7 |
|  | No | 124 | 19.6 | 63.3 | 100.0 |
|  | Total | 196 | 31.0 | 100.0 |  |
| Missing | System | 437 | 69.0 |  |  |
| Total |  | 633 | 100.0 |  |  |

q8f Other Important to Change Job

|  |  |  |  |  | Cumulative <br> Percent |
| :--- | :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Valid | Yes | 29 | 4.6 | 17.5 | 17.5 |
|  | No | 137 | 21.6 | 82.5 | 100.0 |
|  | Total | 166 | 26.2 | 100.0 |  |
| Missing | System | 467 | 73.8 |  |  |
| Total |  | 633 | 100.0 |  |  |

q9 Willing to Take Job Outside of Primary Field

|  |  |  |  |  | Cumulative <br> Percent |
| :--- | :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Valid | Yes | 162 | 25.6 | 84.4 | 84.4 |
|  | No | 30 | 4.7 | 15.6 | 100.0 |
|  | Total | 192 | 30.3 | 100.0 |  |
| Missing | System | 441 | 69.7 |  |  |
| Total |  | 633 | 100.0 |  |  |

q11 Skills Underutilized Now

|  |  |  |  |  | Cumulative <br> Percent |
| :--- | :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Valid | Yes | 89 | 14.1 | 25.0 | 25.0 |
|  | No | 267 | 42.2 | 75.0 | 100.0 |
|  | Total | 356 | 56.2 | 100.0 |  |
| Missing | System | 277 | 43.8 |  |  |
| Total |  | 633 | 100.0 |  |  |

q12 Why Underutilized

|  |  | Frequency | Percent | Valid Percent | Cumulative Percent |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Valid | Prev Job Required More Skill Educ | 11 | 1.7 | 15.3 | 15.3 |
|  | Have had Addtional Training,Educ | 20 | 3.2 | 27.8 | 43.1 |
|  | Current Job Doesn't Req My Training, Educ | 28 | 4.4 | 38.9 | 81.9 |
|  | Prev Job Earned More Income | 13 | 2.1 | 18.1 | 100.0 |
|  | Total | 72 | 11.4 | 100.0 |  |
| Missing | System | 561 | 88.6 |  |  |
| Total |  | 633 | 100.0 |  |  |

q14 Previous Job Provided More Income

|  |  |  |  |  | Cumulative <br> Percent |
| :--- | :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Valid | Yes | 15 | 2.4 | 60.0 | 60.0 |
|  | No | 10 | 1.6 | 40.0 | 100.0 |
|  | Total | 25 | 3.9 | 100.0 |  |
| Missing | System | 608 | 96.1 |  |  |
| Total |  | 633 | 100.0 |  |  |

q15 Would Change Jobs to Better Utilize Skills

|  |  | Frequency | Percent | Valid Percent | Cumulative <br> Percent |
| :--- | :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Valid | Yes | 61 | 9.6 | 71.8 | 71.8 |
|  | No | 24 | 3.8 | 28.2 | 100.0 |
|  | Total | 85 | 13.4 | 100.0 |  |
| Missing | System | 548 | 86.6 |  |  |
| Total |  | 633 | 100.0 |  |  |

q13 Type Previous Job that Required More Skill

|  |  | Frequency | Percent | Valid Percent | Cumulative Percent |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Valid | General |  |  |  |  |
|  | Labor, Construction | 1 | . 2 | 4.2 | 4.2 |
|  | Mechanic, Welder | 1 | . 2 | 4.2 | 8.3 |
|  | Farmer,Agric Worker | 1 | . 2 | 4.2 | 12.5 |
|  | Factory Worker,Meat Packer | 1 | . 2 | 4.2 | 16.7 |
|  | Other Blue Collar | 3 | . 5 | 12.5 | 29.2 |
|  | Governmental Service (police,fire) | 1 | . 2 | 4.2 | 33.3 |
|  | Business <br> Professional,Owner,Man ager,Banker,Finance | 4 | . 6 | 16.7 | 50.0 |
|  | Doctor,Attorney, Engineer | 1 | . 2 | 4.2 | 54.2 |
|  | Clerical | 1 | . 2 | 4.2 | 58.3 |
|  | Sales | 1 | . 2 | 4.2 | 62.5 |
|  | Educator or Professor | 2 | . 3 | 8.3 | 70.8 |
|  | Other White Collar | 4 | . 6 | 16.7 | 87.5 |
|  | Social Service (health,babysitting) | 2 | . 3 | 8.3 | 95.8 |
|  | Military | 1 | . 2 | 4.2 | 100.0 |
|  | Total | 24 | 3.8 | 100.0 |  |
| Missing | System | 609 | 96.2 |  |  |
| Total |  | 633 | 100.0 |  |  |

q16 Other People in Household Work Full or Part-time

|  |  |  |  |  | Cumulative <br> Percent |
| :--- | :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Valid | Yes | 308 | 48.7 | 48.7 | 48.7 |
|  | No | 324 | 51.2 | 51.3 | 100.0 |
|  | Total | 632 | 99.8 | 100.0 |  |
| Missing | System | 1 | .2 |  |  |
| Total |  | 633 | 100.0 |  |  |

q17 Number of Other People in Household Full or Part-time

|  |  |  |  |  | Cumulative <br> Percent |
| :--- | :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Valid | 1 | 272 | 43.0 | 88.3 | 88.3 |
|  | 2 | 25 | 3.9 | 8.1 | 96.4 |
|  | 3 | 10 | 1.6 | 3.2 | 99.7 |
|  | 6 | 1 | .2 | .3 | 100.0 |
|  | Total | 308 | 48.7 | 100.0 |  |
| Missing | System | 325 | 51.3 |  |  |
| Total | 633 | 100.0 |  |  |  |

q19 Highest Level of Education

|  |  | Frequency | Percent | Valid Percent | Cumulative Percent |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Valid | Less HS Diploma | 63 | 10.0 | 10.1 | 10.1 |
|  | High School Diploma | 195 | 30.8 | 31.3 | 41.4 |
|  | Less than 30 College Hours | 86 | 13.6 | 13.8 | 55.2 |
|  | 30-60 College Hours | 49 | 7.7 | 7.9 | 63.1 |
|  | Associate of Arts | 16 | 2.5 | 2.6 | 65.7 |
|  | Associate of Arts and Sciences Degree | 14 | 2.2 | 2.2 | 67.9 |
|  | 60-90 College Hours | 31 | 4.9 | 5.0 | 72.9 |
|  | 90-120 College Hours | 15 | 2.4 | 2.4 | 75.3 |
|  | Bachelors Degree | 84 | 13.3 | 13.5 | 88.8 |
|  | Graduate Hours | 20 | 3.2 | 3.2 | 92.0 |
|  | Masters Degree | 43 | 6.8 | 6.9 | 98.9 |
|  | Doctoral Degree | 7 | 1.1 | 1.1 | 100.0 |
|  | Total | 623 | 98.4 | 100.0 |  |
| Missing | System | 10 | 1.6 |  |  |
| Total |  | 633 | 100.0 |  |  |

q20 Total Family Income

|  |  |  |  |  | Cumulative <br> Percent |
| :--- | :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Valid | Less than \$10k | 36 | 5.7 | 7.2 | 7.2 |
|  | \$10k-\$20k | 92 | 14.5 | 18.5 | 25.8 |
|  | $\$ 20 \mathrm{k}-\$ 30 \mathrm{k}$ | 80 | 12.6 | 16.1 | 41.9 |
|  | P30k-\$40k | 100 | 15.8 | 20.1 | 62.0 |
|  | \$40k-\$50k | 68 | 10.7 | 13.7 | 75.7 |
|  | \$50k-\$60k | 58 | 9.2 | 11.7 | 87.3 |
|  | \$60k-\$70k | 20 | 3.2 | 4.0 | 91.3 |
|  | over \$70k | 43 | 6.8 | 8.7 | 100.0 |
|  | Total | 497 | 78.5 | 100.0 |  |
| Missing | System | 136 | 21.5 |  |  |
| Total |  | 633 | 100.0 |  |  |


|  |  | Frequency | Percent | Valid Percent | Cumulative Percent |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Valid | White | 613 | 96.8 | 98.2 | 98.2 |
|  | Black or African American | 2 | . 3 | . 3 | 98.6 |
|  | American Indian or Alaskan Native | 2 | . 3 | . 3 | 98.9 |
|  | Asian | 2 | . 3 | . 3 | 99.2 |
|  | Some Other Race | 5 | . 8 | . 8 | 100.0 |
|  | Total | 624 | 98.6 | 100.0 |  |
| Missing | System | 9 | 1.4 |  |  |
| Total |  | 633 | 100.0 |  |  |


| q22 Mexican or Hispanic Origin |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | :---: | :---: |
|     Cumulative <br> Percent <br> Valid Yes 12 1.9 1.9 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | No | 611 | 96.5 | 98.1 |  |  |


[^0]:    ${ }^{1}$ The number that is added to the civilian labor force to create the adjusted civilian labor force statistic is calculated by taking from the survey the total number of students, military, retirees, and long-term unemployed, who state that they are seeking employment, and dividing this number by the total number of respondents. This quotient is then multiplied by the total number of people in the labor basin who are 16 or older.
    ${ }^{2}$ For the purposes of this number, "unemployed" refers not only to unemployed members of the civilian labor force. "Unemployed" also includes any students, homemakers, and retirees that indicate that they are presently seeking employment.

