

Table 1. Volunteers by selected characteristics, September 2003

(Numbers in thousands)

Characteristics in September 2003	Total, both sexes			Men			Women		
	Civilian noninsti- tutional population	Volunteers		Civilian noninsti- tutional population	Volunteers		Civilian noninsti- tutional population	Volunteers	
		Number	Percent of population		Number	Percent of population		Number	Percent of population
Age									
Total, 16 years and over	221,779	63,791	28.8	106,744	26,805	25.1	115,035	36,987	32.2
16 to 24 years	35,979	8,671	24.1	18,079	3,782	20.9	17,900	4,888	27.3
16 to 19 years	16,131	4,758	29.5	8,176	2,098	25.7	7,955	2,661	33.4
20 to 24 years	19,848	3,912	19.7	9,903	1,685	17.0	9,945	2,228	22.4
25 years and over	185,800	55,121	29.7	88,665	23,022	26.0	97,135	32,098	33.0
25 to 34 years	39,072	10,337	26.5	19,375	3,976	20.5	19,697	6,360	32.3
35 to 44 years	43,691	15,165	34.7	21,440	6,308	29.4	22,251	8,857	39.8
45 to 54 years	40,692	13,302	32.7	19,863	5,829	29.3	20,828	7,474	35.9
55 to 64 years	28,003	8,170	29.2	13,437	3,569	26.6	14,566	4,602	31.6
65 years and over	34,342	8,146	23.7	14,550	3,341	23.0	19,792	4,806	24.3
Race and Hispanic or Latino ethnicity									
White	181,696	55,572	30.6	88,462	23,507	26.6	93,234	32,065	34.4
Black or African American	25,784	5,145	20.0	11,501	1,975	17.2	14,283	3,170	22.2
Asian	9,278	1,735	18.7	4,362	774	17.7	4,916	961	19.5
Hispanic or Latino ethnicity	27,808	4,364	15.7	14,233	1,702	12.0	13,575	2,662	19.6
Educational attainment¹									
Less than a high school diploma	28,243	2,793	9.9	13,659	1,141	8.4	14,584	1,652	11.3
High school graduate, no college ²	59,241	12,882	21.7	27,666	4,985	18.0	31,575	7,896	25.0
Less than a bachelor's degree ³	46,786	15,966	34.1	21,341	6,146	28.8	25,444	9,819	38.6
College graduates	51,530	23,481	45.6	25,999	10,750	41.3	25,531	12,731	49.9
Marital status									
Single, never married	60,017	13,670	22.8	31,962	5,953	18.6	28,055	7,718	27.5
Married, spouse present	118,986	40,486	34.0	59,925	18,155	30.3	59,061	22,331	37.8
Other marital status ⁴	42,775	9,635	22.5	14,856	2,697	18.2	27,919	6,938	24.9
Presence of own children under 18 years⁵									
Without own children under 18	155,359	38,907	25.0	77,121	16,969	22.0	78,238	21,938	28.0
With own children under 18	66,420	24,884	37.5	29,623	9,836	33.2	36,797	15,049	40.9
Employment status									
Civilian labor force	147,322	45,499	30.9	78,854	21,231	26.9	68,468	24,268	35.4
Employed	138,477	43,138	31.2	74,155	20,247	27.3	64,322	22,890	35.6
Full time ⁶	113,636	33,599	29.6	65,952	17,741	26.9	47,684	15,857	33.3
Part time ⁷	24,841	9,539	38.4	8,203	2,506	30.5	16,638	7,033	42.3
Unemployed	8,844	2,361	26.7	4,699	983	20.9	4,146	1,378	33.2
Not in the labor force	74,457	18,293	24.6	27,890	5,574	20.0	46,567	12,719	27.3

¹ Data refer to persons 25 years and over.

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⁶ Usually work 35 hours or more a week at all jobs.

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Table 2. Volunteers by annual hours of volunteer activities and selected characteristics, September 2003

Characteristics in September 2003	Total volunteers (thousands)	Percent distribution of total annual hours spent volunteering at all organizations							Median annual hours ¹
		Total	1 to 14 hour(s)	15 to 49 hours	50 to 99 hours	100 to 499 hours	500 hours and over	Not reporting annual hours	
Sex									
Total, both sexes	63,791	100.0	20.9	24.6	14.9	28.1	5.6	5.8	52
Men	26,805	100.0	20.5	24.7	14.4	28.2	6.0	6.2	52
Women	36,987	100.0	21.2	24.5	15.2	28.1	5.4	5.6	52
Age									
Total, 16 years and over	63,791	100.0	20.9	24.6	14.9	28.1	5.6	5.8	52
16 to 24 years	8,671	100.0	22.8	27.2	14.7	23.6	4.3	7.4	40
16 to 19 years	4,758	100.0	22.8	28.6	15.2	22.5	3.8	7.1	40
20 to 24 years	3,912	100.0	22.9	25.5	14.2	25.0	4.8	7.6	45
25 years and over	55,121	100.0	20.6	24.2	14.9	28.8	5.8	5.6	52
25 to 34 years	10,337	100.0	27.1	26.8	14.3	22.4	3.9	5.5	36
35 to 44 years	15,165	100.0	21.4	25.9	15.3	28.1	4.9	4.5	50
45 to 54 years	13,302	100.0	20.2	23.7	15.2	29.3	5.8	5.9	52
55 to 64 years	8,170	100.0	18.3	23.2	14.8	31.0	6.9	5.7	60
65 years and over	8,146	100.0	14.1	19.5	14.7	35.5	9.1	7.2	88
Race and Hispanic or Latino ethnicity									
White	55,572	100.0	20.7	24.9	14.9	28.4	5.5	5.5	52
Black or African American	5,145	100.0	20.9	20.8	14.6	27.7	6.6	9.4	52
Asian	1,735	100.0	26.4	25.3	14.5	25.5	3.3	5.0	40
Hispanic or Latino ethnicity	4,364	100.0	23.8	25.8	14.2	24.0	4.9	7.4	40
Educational attainment²									
Less than a high school diploma	2,793	100.0	24.8	21.5	13.4	24.8	5.5	9.9	48
High school graduate, no college ³	12,882	100.0	23.6	24.4	13.9	26.4	5.6	6.1	48
Less than a bachelor's degree ⁴	15,966	100.0	21.1	23.8	14.4	28.8	6.1	5.9	52
College graduates	23,481	100.0	18.3	24.6	16.0	30.7	5.9	4.6	60
Marital status									
Single, never married	13,670	100.0	23.0	26.5	14.6	23.7	4.8	7.4	42
Married, spouse present	40,486	100.0	20.0	24.2	15.2	29.6	5.6	5.3	52
Other marital status ⁵	9,635	100.0	21.9	23.3	13.7	28.1	7.0	6.0	52
Presence of own children under 18 years⁶									
Men:									
No own children under 18 years old	16,969	100.0	20.4	24.3	14.5	27.4	6.5	6.9	52
With own children under 18 years old	9,836	100.0	20.8	25.4	14.3	29.5	5.1	5.0	52
Women:									
No own children under 18 years old	21,938	100.0	20.3	23.9	14.7	29.0	5.9	6.2	52
With own children under 18 years old	15,049	100.0	22.5	25.4	16.0	26.8	4.6	4.7	48
Employment status									
Civilian labor force	45,499	100.0	22.5	25.6	14.9	26.9	4.8	5.3	48
Employed	43,138	100.0	22.5	25.6	14.9	26.9	4.7	5.4	48
Full time ⁷	33,599	100.0	22.8	26.2	14.7	26.5	4.4	5.4	48
Part time ⁸	9,539	100.0	21.4	23.6	15.5	28.4	5.8	5.3	52
Unemployed	2,361	100.0	22.2	26.0	14.4	26.8	6.6	3.9	48
Not in the labor force	18,293	100.0	17.1	22.0	14.9	31.1	7.7	7.2	66

¹ For those reporting annual hours.

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Table 3. Volunteers by number of organizations for which volunteer activities were performed and selected characteristics, September 2003

Characteristics in September 2003	Total volunteers (thousands)	Percent distribution of the number of organizations for which volunteer activities were performed						
		Total	One	Two	Three	Four	Five or more	Not reporting number of organizations
Sex								
Total, both sexes	63,791	100.0	69.2	19.2	7.4	2.4	1.6	0.3
Men	26,805	100.0	71.2	17.9	6.9	2.1	1.7	.3
Women	36,987	100.0	67.8	20.1	7.7	2.6	1.6	.2
Age								
Total, 16 years and over	63,791	100.0	69.2	19.2	7.4	2.4	1.6	.3
16 to 24 years	8,671	100.0	75.7	15.9	5.3	1.7	1.1	.3
16 to 19 years	4,758	100.0	74.0	16.5	5.7	2.3	1.1	.4
20 to 24 years	3,912	100.0	77.8	15.3	4.8	.9	1.0	.2
25 years and over	55,121	100.0	68.2	19.7	7.7	2.5	1.7	.3
25 to 34 years	10,337	100.0	73.2	18.4	6.1	1.4	.7	.2
35 to 44 years	15,165	100.0	64.9	21.6	8.4	2.9	2.0	.2
45 to 54 years	13,302	100.0	66.8	20.4	8.0	2.7	1.8	.4
55 to 64 years	8,170	100.0	68.3	18.1	8.4	3.0	2.1	.2
65 years and over	8,146	100.0	70.3	18.2	7.3	2.1	1.8	.2
Race and Hispanic or Latino ethnicity								
White	55,572	100.0	68.0	19.7	7.9	2.5	1.7	.3
Black or African American	5,145	100.0	80.5	13.5	3.4	1.3	1.1	.3
Asian	1,735	100.0	75.7	19.8	3.2	.3	1.0	—
Hispanic or Latino ethnicity	4,364	100.0	81.1	12.4	4.7	1.0	.6	.2
Educational attainment¹								
Less than a high school diploma	2,793	100.0	87.2	9.5	2.1	.5	.5	.3
High school graduate, no college ²	12,882	100.0	78.0	15.4	4.5	1.1	.7	.2
Less than a bachelor's degree ³	15,966	100.0	69.9	19.4	7.2	2.0	1.4	.2
College graduates	23,481	100.0	59.5	23.4	10.4	3.7	2.6	.3
Marital status								
Single, never married	13,670	100.0	73.8	17.0	6.1	1.7	1.1	.3
Married, spouse present	40,486	100.0	67.2	20.2	8.1	2.4	1.8	.2
Other marital status ⁴	9,635	100.0	71.2	17.9	6.0	3.0	1.6	.3
Presence of own children under 18 years⁵								
Men:								
No own children under 18 years old	16,969	100.0	73.3	16.6	6.3	1.9	1.7	.3
With own children under 18 years old	9,836	100.0	67.7	20.2	7.8	2.4	1.6	.3
Women:								
No own children under 18 years old	21,938	100.0	70.2	18.7	7.2	2.2	1.5	.3
With own children under 18 years old	15,049	100.0	64.4	22.1	8.6	3.1	1.7	.2
Employment status								
Civilian labor force	45,499	100.0	68.7	19.4	7.5	2.4	1.7	.3
Employed	43,138	100.0	68.4	19.6	7.5	2.4	1.7	.3
Full time ⁶	33,599	100.0	69.0	19.4	7.2	2.3	1.7	.3
Part time ⁷	9,539	100.0	66.3	20.1	8.7	2.8	1.8	.2
Unemployed	2,361	100.0	73.7	16.9	6.4	2.0	1.1	—
Not in the labor force	18,293	100.0	70.6	18.5	7.1	2.2	1.4	.2

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Table 4. Volunteers by type of main organization for which volunteer activities were performed and selected characteristics, September 2003

Characteristics in September 2003	Total volunteers (thousands)	Percent distribution of volunteers by type of main organization ¹										
		Total	Civic, political, professional, or international	Educa- tional or youth service	Environ- mental or animal care	Hospital or other health	Public safety	Religious	Social or community service	Sport, hobby, cultural, or arts	Other	Not deter- mined
Sex												
Total, both sexes	63,791	100.0	6.4	27.4	1.7	8.2	1.2	34.6	11.8	4.1	3.1	1.5
Men	26,805	100.0	8.1	24.7	1.9	6.3	2.1	33.9	12.6	5.5	3.4	1.5
Women	36,987	100.0	5.2	29.3	1.5	9.6	.5	35.1	11.2	3.2	3.0	1.5
Age												
Total, 16 years and over	63,791	100.0	6.4	27.4	1.7	8.2	1.2	34.6	11.8	4.1	3.1	1.5
16 to 24 years	8,671	100.0	4.6	31.9	2.4	8.6	1.3	29.1	13.4	4.0	3.0	1.7
16 to 19 years	4,758	100.0	4.0	35.5	2.0	6.5	1.2	29.8	13.0	3.7	2.6	1.7
20 to 24 years	3,912	100.0	5.4	27.5	2.9	11.2	1.5	28.3	13.8	4.3	3.5	1.8
25 years and over	55,121	100.0	6.7	26.7	1.6	8.1	1.2	35.4	11.5	4.2	3.2	1.5
25 to 34 years	10,337	100.0	5.3	35.1	1.7	8.4	1.6	29.7	10.7	3.3	2.8	1.4
35 to 44 years	15,165	100.0	5.3	38.5	1.3	5.8	1.2	31.5	8.8	3.9	2.4	1.3
45 to 54 years	13,302	100.0	6.3	27.2	2.1	8.0	1.2	35.3	10.6	4.5	3.2	1.5
55 to 64 years	8,170	100.0	9.8	13.5	1.8	9.4	1.0	39.1	14.5	4.7	4.4	1.8
65 years and over	8,146	100.0	8.4	6.4	.8	10.9	.7	46.5	16.3	4.5	3.8	1.6
Race and Hispanic or Latino ethnicity												
White	55,572	100.0	6.5	27.3	1.7	8.4	1.3	33.7	11.9	4.3	3.3	1.5
Black or African American	5,145	100.0	5.0	27.4	.4	5.9	.5	44.7	10.5	1.7	1.8	2.1
Asian	1,735	100.0	5.6	25.7	2.0	8.7	.4	38.0	10.5	5.2	3.5	.4
Hispanic or Latino ethnicity	4,364	100.0	5.8	38.5	.7	5.5	.6	32.4	9.6	1.9	3.5	1.7
Educational attainment²												
Less than a high school diploma	2,793	100.0	6.0	22.2	1.0	5.1	1.3	45.7	12.0	2.1	3.0	1.6
High school graduate, no college ³	12,882	100.0	6.0	25.7	1.2	7.8	1.6	39.1	11.7	3.0	2.7	1.2
Less than a bachelor's degree ⁴	15,966	100.0	6.0	27.3	1.4	8.5	1.6	35.5	10.9	4.1	3.4	1.3
College graduates	23,481	100.0	7.6	27.3	2.0	8.4	.6	32.2	11.9	5.0	3.3	1.8
Marital status												
Single, never married	13,670	100.0	6.1	29.3	2.6	9.7	1.3	26.6	13.8	4.7	3.7	2.0
Married, spouse present	40,486	100.0	6.4	28.1	1.3	7.1	1.2	37.7	10.3	3.8	2.7	1.4
Other marital status ⁵	9,635	100.0	6.9	21.7	2.0	10.5	.9	32.7	15.2	4.5	4.2	1.2
Presence of own children under 18 years⁶												
Men:												
No own children under 18 years old	16,969	100.0	9.6	18.2	2.3	7.4	2.0	34.3	15.0	5.3	4.2	1.7
With own children under 18 years old ..	9,836	100.0	5.6	36.1	1.1	4.2	2.3	33.2	8.4	5.8	2.1	1.3
Women:												
No own children under 18 years old	21,938	100.0	6.4	17.0	2.2	12.8	.6	37.5	14.5	4.0	3.4	1.7
With own children under 18 years old ..	15,049	100.0	3.4	47.2	.6	4.8	.4	31.6	6.5	2.0	2.3	1.2
Employment status												
Civilian labor force	45,499	100.0	6.5	29.1	1.8	8.1	1.4	33.1	11.2	4.4	3.0	1.5
Employed	43,138	100.0	6.6	28.8	1.8	8.1	1.4	33.2	11.2	4.4	3.0	1.5
Full time ⁷	33,599	100.0	6.9	28.0	1.7	8.4	1.6	32.8	11.4	4.6	3.0	1.6
Part time ⁸	9,539	100.0	5.4	31.7	1.9	7.2	.8	34.5	10.7	3.8	2.8	1.2
Unemployed	2,361	100.0	5.3	34.2	3.1	7.8	.5	31.2	10.6	3.4	3.0	.9
Not in the labor force	18,293	100.0	6.1	23.2	1.3	8.4	.7	38.2	13.3	3.5	3.6	1.7

¹ Main organization is defined as the organization for which the volunteer worked the most hours during the year. See the Technical Note for more details.

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Table 5. Volunteer activities for main organization for which activities were performed and selected characteristics, September 2003

Characteristics in September 2003	Total volunteers (thousands)	Percent distribution of volunteer activities for main organization ¹												
		Coach, referee, tutor, or teach	Provide information; be an usher, greeter, or minister	Collect, prepare, distribute, or serve food	Collect, make, or distribute clothing, crafts, or goods, other than food	Fundraise or sell items to raise money	Provide counseling, medical care, fire/ EMS or protective services	Supply transporta- tion for people	Provide general office services	Provide professional or management assistance including serving on a board or committee	Engage in music, perform- ance, or other artistic activities	Engage in general labor	Other	Not reporting type of activity
Sex														
Total, both sexes	63,791	28.6	22.0	24.9	15.1	28.8	8.4	12.6	13.1	19.1	12.1	21.8	16.0	1.7
Men	26,805	30.9	22.5	19.2	10.1	25.6	9.6	13.3	9.8	21.6	10.4	26.9	15.1	1.9
Women	36,987	26.9	21.7	28.9	18.8	31.2	7.5	12.1	15.4	17.3	13.2	18.1	16.7	1.6
Age														
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16 to 19 years	4,758	32.5	17.5	22.5	15.5	24.5	5.3	6.8	10.0	6.2	19.0	29.8	17.4	2.0
20 to 24 years	3,912	34.6	20.9	21.7	15.2	24.0	11.1	10.1	11.3	10.8	16.7	22.2	16.4	3.2
25 years and over	55,121	27.8	22.5	25.3	15.1	29.6	8.5	13.3	13.4	20.8	11.1	21.0	15.9	1.6
25 to 34 years	10,337	34.1	20.3	23.0	14.4	29.3	9.2	11.8	11.6	14.1	13.2	21.9	15.4	1.8
35 to 44 years	15,165	35.5	19.4	24.7	14.9	32.4	7.3	15.2	12.8	19.2	11.7	21.9	15.2	1.6
45 to 54 years	13,302	28.0	24.1	24.7	14.4	32.5	9.5	14.2	13.6	23.0	11.0	22.2	15.4	1.8
55 to 64 years	8,170	20.6	25.4	26.6	15.2	27.4	9.8	12.4	15.3	28.2	9.3	21.3	16.7	1.5
65 years and over	8,146	12.5	25.7	28.9	17.5	22.0	6.9	11.1	15.0	21.5	9.6	16.3	17.8	1.2
Race and Hispanic or Latino ethnicity														
White	55,572	28.5	21.7	24.7	15.2	29.5	8.1	12.6	12.9	19.8	11.7	22.2	16.2	1.6
Black or African American	5,145	30.8	27.5	26.7	16.0	23.8	11.0	14.1	14.6	14.8	15.0	17.6	12.5	3.3
Asian	1,735	24.8	17.3	22.4	10.5	23.6	8.1	8.9	13.2	13.7	10.5	17.7	21.3	1.1
Hispanic or Latino ethnicity	4,364	28.3	16.7	25.4	14.1	25.3	5.8	10.7	10.6	8.4	9.5	18.6	17.4	2.2
Educational attainment ²														
Less than a high school diploma	2,793	16.6	16.6	29.1	12.9	22.0	3.8	10.2	7.1	6.5	8.7	23.6	19.1	1.9
High school graduate, no college ³	12,882	23.0	20.4	29.4	15.4	28.6	7.0	13.2	12.1	14.4	9.4	21.6	16.2	1.3
Less than a bachelor's degree ⁴	15,966	27.8	22.9	26.1	16.5	29.9	8.8	14.9	14.1	18.5	11.8	23.1	17.0	1.6
College graduates	23,481	31.8	24.1	22.0	14.3	30.8	9.6	12.6	14.5	27.7	11.9	19.0	14.6	1.8
Marital status														
Single, never married	13,670	29.5	19.4	21.2	13.6	24.9	8.6	8.4	11.8	11.4	15.3	23.6	16.9	2.5
Married, spouse present	40,486	30.0	22.9	25.4	15.4	30.8	8.6	14.2	13.4	22.5	11.3	22.0	15.0	1.5
Other marital status ⁵	9,635	21.3	22.3	27.6	16.1	26.3	7.4	11.7	13.6	15.9	10.7	18.4	19.0	1.4
Presence of own children under 18 years ⁶														
Men:														
No own children under 18 years old ..	16,969	24.0	23.2	19.6	10.4	24.3	9.6	11.4	10.3	21.7	10.8	27.1	16.7	2.0
With own children under 18 years old ..	9,836	42.9	21.4	18.5	9.7	28.0	9.6	16.7	9.0	21.6	9.8	26.4	12.3	1.7
Women:														
No own children under 18 years old ..	21,938	22.0	23.7	28.2	18.0	27.1	8.5	9.6	15.5	17.8	12.9	17.8	16.7	1.7
With own children under 18 years old ..	15,049	34.1	18.8	30.1	19.8	37.2	6.1	15.7	15.2	16.6	13.8	18.5	16.8	1.5
Employment status														
Civilian labor force	45,499	31.0	22.4	23.7	14.2	30.3	9.1	13.2	12.4	20.3	12.1	22.5	15.3	1.6
Employed	43,138	31.0	22.5	23.5	14.1	30.7	9.2	13.4	12.3	20.7	12.0	22.5	15.2	1.7
Full time ⁷	33,599	30.6	22.6	22.8	13.4	31.2	9.4	13.3	11.7	21.9	11.1	22.7	14.9	1.7
Part time ⁸	9,539	32.3	22.5	25.8	16.6	29.0	8.6	13.6	14.7	16.8	15.2	21.9	16.2	1.5
Unemployed	2,361	31.4	20.5	26.2	15.1	23.1	7.0	10.6	13.3	12.6	13.8	22.9	16.9	1.4
Not in the labor force	18,293	22.5	21.0	27.8	17.6	25.2	6.7	11.0	14.7	16.2	12.0	19.8	17.9	1.9

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Table 6. Volunteers by how they became involved with main organization for which volunteer activities were performed and selected characteristics, September 2003

Characteristics in September 2003	Total volunteers (thousands)	Percent distribution of how volunteers became involved with main organization ¹								
		Total	Approached the organization	Was asked by:					Other	Not reporting how became involved
				Total ²	Boss or employer	Relative, friend, or co-worker	Someone in the organization/ school	Someone else		
Sex										
Total, both sexes	63,791	100.0	40.7	43.6	1.2	14.4	26.8	1.0	13.4	2.3
Men	26,805	100.0	40.6	44.3	1.2	15.9	26.0	1.1	12.8	2.3
Women	36,987	100.0	40.9	43.0	1.1	13.3	27.4	1.0	13.8	2.3
Age										
Total, 16 years and over	63,791	100.0	40.7	43.6	1.2	14.4	26.8	1.0	13.4	2.3
16 to 24 years	8,671	100.0	41.8	41.8	1.0	16.6	22.5	1.5	13.8	2.7
16 to 19 years	4,758	100.0	41.7	41.4	.4	16.3	23.1	1.5	14.7	2.2
20 to 24 years	3,912	100.0	41.8	42.2	1.8	16.9	21.7	1.4	12.7	3.3
25 years and over	55,121	100.0	40.6	43.8	1.2	14.0	27.5	1.0	13.4	2.2
25 to 34 years	10,337	100.0	39.3	44.3	1.7	14.9	26.4	1.2	14.3	2.1
35 to 44 years	15,165	100.0	41.0	44.2	1.4	13.0	28.9	.8	12.6	2.1
45 to 54 years	13,302	100.0	40.6	43.6	1.2	13.7	27.7	.7	13.3	2.5
55 to 64 years	8,170	100.0	40.3	43.2	1.1	14.4	26.2	1.1	14.3	2.3
65 years and over	8,146	100.0	41.7	43.7	.2	14.8	27.4	1.2	12.6	2.1
Race and Hispanic or Latino ethnicity										
White	55,572	100.0	40.8	43.8	1.1	14.4	27.1	1.0	13.2	2.2
Black or African American	5,145	100.0	39.2	41.7	2.0	13.5	25.3	1.0	15.6	3.5
Asian	1,735	100.0	48.2	38.7	1.3	12.1	23.3	2.0	11.1	2.0
Hispanic or Latino ethnicity	4,364	100.0	38.2	46.8	1.1	15.6	29.1	.9	12.6	2.4
Educational attainment³										
Less than a high school diploma	2,793	100.0	38.6	46.2	.4	15.5	29.4	.6	12.8	2.4
High school graduate, no college ⁴	12,882	100.0	39.1	45.9	.9	15.4	28.6	.8	13.2	1.8
Less than a bachelor's degree ⁵	15,966	100.0	40.9	42.7	1.3	13.7	26.3	1.2	14.2	2.2
College graduates	23,481	100.0	41.4	43.2	1.3	13.2	27.5	1.0	12.9	2.4
Marital status										
Single, never married	13,670	100.0	41.0	41.4	1.3	16.9	21.6	1.4	14.5	3.0
Married, spouse present	40,486	100.0	40.9	44.4	1.1	13.2	29.0	.9	12.7	2.0
Other marital status ⁶	9,635	100.0	39.8	43.0	1.4	15.5	25.1	.9	15.1	2.1
Presence of own children under 18 years⁷										
Men:										
No own children under 18 years old	16,969	100.0	40.7	43.6	1.2	16.7	24.3	1.1	13.6	2.2
With own children under 18 years old	9,836	100.0	40.4	45.6	1.2	14.4	28.9	1.0	11.6	2.3
Women:										
No own children under 18 years old	21,938	100.0	40.9	42.0	1.2	15.2	24.3	1.0	14.7	2.4
With own children under 18 years old	15,049	100.0	40.8	44.5	1.1	10.5	32.0	.9	12.6	2.1
Employment status										
Civilian labor force	45,499	100.0	40.0	44.2	1.5	14.6	26.9	.9	13.6	2.3
Employed	43,138	100.0	39.9	44.2	1.6	14.6	27.0	.9	13.6	2.3
Full time ⁸	33,599	100.0	39.3	45.0	1.9	15.4	26.6	.8	13.3	2.4
Part time ⁹	9,539	100.0	42.0	41.6	.6	11.5	28.2	1.2	14.5	1.9
Unemployed	2,361	100.0	40.4	43.7	1.0	15.6	25.4	1.4	13.7	2.2
Not in the labor force	18,293	100.0	42.7	41.9	.2	13.7	26.6	1.2	13.1	2.3

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² Includes persons who did not specify who asked them to volunteer, not shown separately.

³ Data refer to persons 25 years and over.

⁴ Includes high school diploma or equivalent.

⁵ Includes the categories, some college, no degree; and associate degree.

⁶ Includes divorced, separated, and widowed persons.

⁷ Own children include sons, daughters, stepchildren, and adopted children. Not

included are nieces, nephews, grandchildren, and other related and unrelated children.

⁸ Usually work 35 hours or more a week at all jobs.

⁹ Usually work less than 35 hours a week at all jobs.

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Table 7. Main reason for not volunteering last year as reported by non-volunteers who had volunteered in the past by selected characteristics, September 2003

Characteristics in September 2003	Total (thousands) ¹	Percent distribution of main reason for not volunteering											
		Total	Burnout/ not enjoyable previously	Family responsi- bilities or childcare problems	Health or medical problems	Lack of time	No one asked	No longer a member of the organization	Wasn't interested	Moved, lack of information, transportation, or expenses ²	No longer required/ not relevant to current life situation	Other	Not reporting reason for not volunteering
Sex													
Total, both sexes	36,299	100.0	2.4	9.5	14.7	44.7	3.2	1.7	4.3	4.2	5.8	8.2	1.3
Men	15,878	100.0	2.5	5.9	11.1	49.8	3.9	2.2	4.9	4.1	5.7	8.5	1.4
Women	20,421	100.0	2.3	12.3	17.4	40.8	2.6	1.4	3.9	4.3	5.8	8.0	1.2
Age													
Total, 16 years and over	36,299	100.0	2.4	9.5	14.7	44.7	3.2	1.7	4.3	4.2	5.8	8.2	1.3
16 to 24 years	4,406	100.0	1.2	5.3	1.4	62.2	3.2	2.4	4.2	7.3	3.2	8.4	1.2
16 to 19 years	1,362	100.0	1.3	2.6	.9	56.5	4.8	4.6	5.5	6.3	5.8	9.8	1.8
20 to 24 years	3,044	100.0	1.2	6.5	1.7	64.7	2.5	1.4	3.6	7.7	2.0	7.8	.9
25 years and over	31,893	100.0	2.6	10.1	16.5	42.3	3.2	1.6	4.3	3.8	6.1	8.2	1.3
25 to 34 years	6,015	100.0	1.7	14.7	1.7	60.6	3.0	1.0	3.0	4.6	2.1	6.2	1.3
35 to 44 years	5,979	100.0	2.4	12.5	5.2	55.0	3.5	1.4	2.8	4.5	4.0	7.6	1.2
45 to 54 years	7,274	100.0	2.6	8.4	8.8	48.5	2.9	2.3	3.8	3.9	9.1	7.8	1.7
55 to 64 years	5,403	100.0	3.3	8.5	14.0	41.1	4.0	2.2	5.7	4.0	8.3	7.6	1.2
65 years and over	7,224	100.0	2.8	7.1	47.7	11.3	2.6	1.2	6.2	2.4	6.6	11.0	1.0
Race and Hispanic or Latino ethnicity													
White	31,364	100.0	2.5	9.4	14.6	44.8	3.0	1.8	4.4	4.0	6.0	8.2	1.2
Black or African American	3,036	100.0	2.3	10.0	18.8	41.6	4.3	.8	4.3	5.3	3.8	7.3	1.5
Asian	1,046	100.0	.4	10.8	6.5	53.5	3.4	.7	1.9	5.6	6.1	8.5	2.5
Hispanic or Latino ethnicity	2,357	100.0	1.5	12.2	11.1	50.1	2.7	1.6	2.8	4.8	5.4	6.5	1.2
Educational attainment³													
Less than a high school diploma	2,819	100.0	1.3	8.0	42.4	19.7	3.7	2.2	4.0	2.8	6.9	7.6	1.2
High school graduate, no college ⁴	9,322	100.0	3.1	9.9	19.7	36.0	4.2	1.8	4.5	3.7	7.3	8.6	1.3
Less than a bachelor's degree ⁵	9,276	100.0	2.6	11.2	13.9	42.4	2.9	2.0	4.4	4.6	6.4	8.4	1.2
College graduates	10,476	100.0	2.4	9.8	8.9	54.0	2.4	1.0	4.3	3.4	4.6	7.7	1.5
Marital status													
Single, never married	8,339	100.0	2.0	4.6	5.2	59.2	3.6	1.8	4.7	5.8	3.0	8.7	1.5
Married, spouse present	19,617	100.0	2.7	12.4	12.4	44.2	3.2	1.8	4.2	3.5	6.9	7.5	1.3
Other marital status ⁶	8,343	100.0	2.1	7.6	29.5	31.6	2.8	1.4	4.3	4.3	5.9	9.4	1.1
Presence of own children under 18 years⁷													
Men:													
No own children under 18 years old	12,207	100.0	2.9	3.6	13.7	46.3	4.2	2.3	5.7	4.5	6.4	9.2	1.4
With own children under 18 years old ..	3,670	100.0	1.4	13.5	2.5	61.4	2.7	1.9	2.1	3.1	3.5	6.1	1.7
Women:													
No own children under 18 years old	15,464	100.0	2.5	7.2	21.6	38.5	2.7	1.5	4.6	4.5	6.5	9.1	1.3
With own children under 18 years old ..	4,957	100.0	1.6	28.0	4.3	47.8	2.6	1.0	1.8	3.7	3.8	4.6	.9
Employment status													
Civilian labor force	24,577	100.0	2.2	9.4	2.8	58.0	3.3	1.8	3.7	4.3	5.5	7.7	1.4
Employed	23,228	100.0	2.2	9.3	2.8	59.0	3.2	1.8	3.6	4.1	5.4	7.4	1.3
Full time ⁸	19,182	100.0	2.3	8.6	2.1	60.9	3.2	1.7	3.3	4.0	5.2	7.2	1.4
Part time ⁹	4,046	100.0	1.5	13.1	5.7	50.0	3.1	1.9	4.8	4.2	6.4	8.2	1.1
Unemployed	1,349	100.0	2.6	10.7	2.8	40.2	5.9	2.0	5.3	9.0	7.3	12.2	2.0
Not in the labor force	11,722	100.0	2.8	9.7	39.6	17.0	2.9	1.6	5.7	4.0	6.3	9.3	1.1

¹ Data refer to persons who did not volunteer during the survey reference period (September 2002-September 2003), but who had volunteered in the past.

² Includes the categories lack of information about opportunities, lack of transportation, lack of paid expenses, moved in the last year, and opportunities don't match interest or skills.

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