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1. How academical	1. How academically challenging was your senior year in H.S.?											
q01	Frequency	Percent	Cumulative Frequency	Cumulative Percent								
Not at all challenging	323	14.84	323	14.84								
Somewhat challenging	1053	48.37	1376	63.21								
Challenging	582	26.73	1958	89.94								
Very challenging	219	10.06	2177	100.00								

Frequency Missing = 5

2.How many years of high school coursework have you taken in the following areas?	Number		Perc	centage	of Res _I	oonses	
	of Pagnangag	0	1	2	3	4	5+ voorg
	Responses	year	year	years	years	years	years
a. Natural Sciences	2143	1.31	2.38	5.32	32.94	47.27	10.78
b. Math	2148	0.79	0.84	1.02	9.40	67.55	20.39
c. Foreign Language	2148	2.14	2.75	41.76	28.91	20.90	3.54
d. Social Studies	2133	1.36	1.22	5.16	45.52	40.98	5.77

3.How many Advanced Placement courses and exams did you take in high school?			Pe	ercentage	of Respo	nses	
	Number of Responses	0 course /exam	1 course /exam	2 courses /exams	3 courses /exams	4 courses /exams	5+ courses /exams
a. AP Courses	2155	27.66	18.93	14.99	11.93	11.04	15.45
b. AP Exams	2101	43.79	18.09	12.80	10.52	6.66	8.14

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4. V	What was the	e size of yo	our senior cla	ss?
q04	Frequency	Percent	Cumulative Frequency	Cumulative Percent
1-99	229	10.55	229	10.55
100-199	526	24.23	755	34.78
200-299	543	25.01	1298	59.79
300-399	446	20.54	1744	80.33
400-499	261	12.02	2005	92.35
500 or more	166	7.65	2171	100.00

Frequency Missing = 11

5. How effective was your H.S. school preparation for college-level work?											
q05	Frequency	Cumulative Percent									
Very ineffective	85	3.95	85	3.95							
Ineffective	262	12.18	347	16.13							
Effective	1430	66.48	1777	82.61							
Very effective	374	17.39	2151	100.00							

Frequency Missing = 31

6.Rate yourself on each of the following traits as compared with the average person:	wing traits as compared							
	of Responses	Lowest 10%	Below average	Average	Above average	Highest 10%	Mean	StDev
a. Academic ability	2172		0.37	22.38	58.15	19.11	3.96	0.65
b. Drive to achieve	2173	0.14	2.02	24.39	47.35	26.09	3.97	0.77
c. Self-confidence (intellectual)	2175	0.09	3.68	32.37	47.22	16.64	3.77	0.77
d. Self-confidence (social)	2174	0.69	9.84	37.67	36.98	14.81	3.55	0.88

7. How much time did you spend during a typical week doing the following activities?		Percentage of Responses								
	Number 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	2170	4.93	20.74	27.00	25.35	12.90	5.30	2.58	1.20	
b. Socializing/partying	2170	1.66	5.76	11.24	25.02	27.42	15.44	7.33	6.13	
c. Exercising or sports	2156	3.90	9.51	12.38	19.39	19.81	15.45	9.83	9.74	
d. Participating in student clubs/groups	2163	11.05	14.15	26.40	23.35	14.61	5.87	2.54	2.03	
e. Watching TV	2147	3.91	16.16	23.57	29.39	15.70	5.73	3.17	2.38	
f. Reading for pleasure	2172	22.74	30.20	22.97	14.00	6.22	2.39	0.74	0.74	
g. Playing video/computer games	2171	42.47	23.22	13.77	10.87	5.39	2.16	0.97	1.15	
h. 'Surfng the web'	2172	9.62	23.57	28.08	20.67	10.77	4.01	1.66	1.61	
i. Working for pay	2172	25.55	3.45	3.78	8.52	11.46	15.24	15.29	16.71	

8.During your senior year of high school, about how often did you do the following:	Number	Pe	rcentage of F	Respons	es		
	of Responses	Never	Sometimes	Often	Very often	Mean	StDev
a. Asked questions in class	2173	3.45	41.79	37.69	17.07	2.68	0.79
b. Referred to knowlege acquired in your readings or classe	2163	2.22	42.58	42.21	12.99	2.66	0.73
c. Came to class without completing readings or assignments	2162	30.62	56.52	9.30	3.56	1.86	0.72
d. Read recommended texts/readings in addition to required readings	2164	24.03	49.40	20.10	6.47	2.09	0.83
e. Appliied the material you were studying to a practical problem	2159	7.23	52.52	33.30	6.95	2.40	0.72
f. Contributed to class discussions	2145	1.77	27.88	40.00	30.35	2.99	0.81
g. Had serious talks with students whose race is different than yours	2161	23.97	39.43	22.03	14.58	2.27	0.98
h. Turned in course assignments late	2165	44.06	48.22	6.05	1.66	1.65	0.67
i. Took detailed notes in class	2157	6.86	30.41	41.86	20.86	2.77	0.86
j. Felt bored in class	2158	1.71	40.55	36.14	21.59	2.78	0.80
k. Worked harder than you thought to meet the standards	2166	12.56	50.09	29.27	8.08	2.33	0.80
l. Discussed ideas with others outside of class	2149	12.33	54.26	25.17	8.24	2.29	0.79
m. Did assigned homework before class	2161	1.48	25.87	41.83	30.82	3.02	0.79
n. Expressed views or opinions in class	2134	2.62	32.10	37.96	27.32	2.90	0.83
o. Turned in course assignments that did not reflect your best work	2164	11.28	70.01	16.04	2.68	2.10	0.61
p. Skipped/missed class	2156	58.58	34.55	5.47	1.39	1.50	0.67
q. Had serious talks with different religious or political believes	2166	15.37	41.32	25.90	17.41	2.45	0.95

9. Have you experienced any of the following during the last year?			
	Number of	ntage ponses	
	Responses	No	Yes
a. Serious romantic relationship	2146	38.91	61.09
b. Long-distance romantic relationship	2146	75.86	24.14
c. Serious financial difficulties	2146	85.83	14.17
d. Serious illness or injury	2146	87.47	12.53
e. "Break up" with romantic partner	2146	62.49	37.51
f. Serious problem or crisis involving close friend or family member	2146	58.90	41.10

10.How would you describe your following skills and knowledge?	Number		Percen	tage of R	Responses			
	of Responses	Much weaker	Weaker	No change	Stronger	Much stronger	Mean	StDev
a. Making effective oral presentations	2164	0.83	2.45	33.55	53.74	9.43	3.68	0.71
b. Writing effectively	2166	0.32	2.22	22.35	57.43	17.68	3.90	0.71
c. Understanding the world form a variety of viewpoints	2159	0.19	1.16	28.35	55.12	15.19	3.84	0.69
d. Using statistical or mathematical reasoning to solve problems	2158	1.07	5.19	39.25	44.16	10.33	3.58	0.79
e. Appreciating the arts	2154	1.25	4.46	48.61	32.64	13.05	3.52	0.82
f. Valuing cultural diversity in our society	2159	0.97	1.99	45.67	40.53	10.84	3.58	0.75
g. Applying principles of reasoning in the natural sciences	2152	0.46	4.04	52.51	36.38	6.60	3.45	0.70
h. Understanding yourself	2150	0.23	1.95	20.93	51.72	25.16	4.00	0.75
i. Using computers and information technology	2159	0.28	1.62	35.20	48.17	14.73	3.75	0.73
j. Developing a meaningful philosophy of life	2155	0.46	1.58	37.96	46.22	13.78	3.71	0.73
k. Thinking critically and analytically	2157	0.14	1.67	30.46	54.38	13.35	3.79	0.69
l. Working cooperatively in a group	2159	0.14	2.32	34.46	51.60	11.49	3.72	0.70
m. Developing insight into why you behave the way you do	2158	0.23	1.67	33.04	48.42	16.64	3.80	0.74

11.During the past year, how often have you felt:	Number of							
	Responses	Never	Rarely	Sometimes	Often	Always	Mean	StDev
a. Sad or depressed	2167	8.58	37.84	40.38	12.37	0.83	2.59	0.84
b. Lonely	2163	13.73	40.92	35.41	8.97	0.97	2.43	0.87
c. Anxious or nervous	2158	5.75	24.51	46.39	20.57	2.78	2.90	0.88
d. Intimidated by your teachers/professors	2167	37.66	39.55	18.41	4.06	0.32	1.90	0.86
e. Concerned about meeting new people	2167	22.06	30.73	31.84	12.97	2.40	2.43	1.04
f. Unmotivated	2165	17.92	35.66	32.29	12.52	1.62	2.44	0.98
g. Isolated from others	2162	34.55	38.99	19.57	5.92	0.97	2.00	0.93
h. Tired and lacking in energy	2164	10.58	27.68	40.25	18.53	2.96	2.76	0.97
i. Out of control	2164	50.14	31.70	13.72	3.70	0.74	1.73	0.88
j. Worried about your health	2163	42.39	32.59	17.98	5.46	1.57	1.91	0.98
k. A lot of stress in your life	2162	13.23	23.45	33.07	22.99	7.26	2.88	1.13

12.Indicate how much you agree or disagree with the following statements:								
with the following statements:	Number		Percentag	e of Re	sponses			
	of Responses	Strongly disagree	Disagree	Not sure	Agree	Strongly agree	Mean	StDev
a. I feel that my grades are an accurate reflection of my abilities	2164	3.79	19.96	15.76	46.16	14.33	3.47	1.08
b. It's important to me that I don't look stupid in my class	2157	2.13	14.56	17.11	51.23	14.97	3.62	0.98
c. I needlessly delay finishing jobs, even when they're important	2157	11.78	37.41	22.44	24.71	3.66	2.71	1.07
d. It's important to me that I learn a lot of new concepts this year	2155	0.46	2.32	16.19	59.81	21.21	3.99	0.71
e. It's important to me that other students in my classes think I'm good at my class work	2153	2.74	17.97	27.82	43.06	8.41	3.36	0.96
f. I often do my best work in school	2156	1.11	12.29	23.33	47.77	15.49	3.64	0.92
g. One of my goals in my classes is to avoid looking like I have trouble doing the work	2150	4.84	34.60	31.67	25.44	3.44	2.88	0.96
h. When I have a deadline, I wait until the last minutes	2154	8.22	31.71	23.03	31.15	5.90	2.95	1.09
i. It's important to me that I thoroughly understand my class work	2149	0.60	3.72	12.05	53.93	29.69	4.08	0.78
j. One of my goals is to look smart compared to other students in my classes	2144	7.00	34.56	31.34	21.92	5.18	2.84	1.01
k. Being a good student is an important part of who I am	2150	0.88	5.77	19.02	50.56	23.77	3.91	0.85
l. One of my goals is to keep others from thinking I'm not smart in my course	2143	14.65	36.35	28.46	18.11	2.43	2.57	1.02
m. I keep putting off improving my work habits	2148	10.20	37.66	30.35	19.37	2.42	2.66	0.98
n. One of my goals in my classes is to master a lot of new skills this year	2150	0.79	3.67	19.77	56.65	19.12	3.90	0.77
o. One of my goals is to show others that course work is easy for me	2142	7.80	41.04	35.62	13.21	2.33	2.61	0.89
p. My grades do not tell me anything about my academic potential	2148	10.89	41.20	28.17	16.95	2.79	2.60	0.98
q. It's important to me that my professors don't think that I know less than others in my classes	2145	4.43	25.87	33.99	30.91	4.80	3.06	0.97
r. I'm a time waster and I can't seem to do anything about it	2142	18.63	43.98	23.67	11.95	1.77	2.34	0.97

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12.Indicate how much you agree or disagree with the following statements:			Percentag	e of Re	snonses			
	Number of Responses	Strongly disagree	Disagree	Not	Agree	Strongly agree	Mean	StDev
s. One of my goals in my classes is to learn as much as I can	2144	0.84	3.36	14.23	51.63	29.94	4.06	0.80
t. One of my goals is to show others that I'm good at my course work	2141	4.25	23.87	32.27	32.88	6.73	3.14	0.99
u. School is satisfying to me because it gives me a sense of accomplishment	2147	0.84	7.22	24.50	52.26	15.18	3.74	0.83
v. I promise myself I'll do something and then I drag my feet	2143	9.05	33.74	31.12	23.43	2.66	2.77	0.99
w. It's important to me that I improve my skills this year	2148	0.61	2.42	14.34	58.05	24.58	4.04	0.73
x. It's important to me that I look smart compared to others in my classes	2138	9.68	35.22	30.54	20.39	4.16	2.74	1.02

13. How nervous are you about leaving home to college?								
q13	Frequency	Percent	Cumulative Frequency	Cumulative Percent				
Not at all nervous	606	28.06	606	28.06				
Somewhat nervous	1035	47.92	1641	75.97				
Nervous	391	18.10	2032	94.07				
Very nervous	128	5.93	2160	100.00				

Frequency Missing = 22

14. How often do you plan to go home on the weekend?							
q14	Frequency	Percent	Cumulative Frequency	Cumulative Percent			
Never	112	5.20	112	5.20			
Very infrequently	462	21.46	574	26.66			
Once a month	915	42.50	1489	69.16			
Every other weekend	469	21.78	1958	90.94			
Every weekend	113	5.25	2071	96.19			
Live at home	82	3.81	2153	100.00			

Frequency Missing = 29

15. How many hours of employment during first term at UK?							
q15	Frequency	Percent	Cumulative Frequency	Cumulative Percent			
Undecided	721	33.46	721	33.46			
0 or only occasional jobs	919	42.65	1640	76.10			
1 to 5	60	2.78	1700	78.89			
6 to 10	155	7.19	1855	86.08			
11 to 15	166	7.70	2021	93.78			
16 to 20	86	3.99	2107	97.77			
Over 20	48	2.23	2155	100.00			

Frequency Missing = 27

16. On a scale of 1 to 10, your chance of earning a 3.0 GPA							
q16	Frequency	Percent	Cumulative Frequency	Cumulative Percent			
One	2	0.09	2	0.09			
Two	8	0.37	10	0.46			
Three	7	0.32	17	0.79			
Four	23	1.07	40	1.85			
Five	117	5.42	157	7.28			
Six	116	5.38	273	12.65			
Seven	324	15.01	597	27.66			
Eight	535	24.79	1132	52.46			
Nine	434	20.11	1566	72.57			
Ten	592	27.43	2158	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	77	3.57	77	3.57			
Two	35	1.62	112	5.19			
Three	46	2.13	158	7.32			
Four	31	1.44	189	8.76			
Five	134	6.21	323	14.97			
Six	95	4.40	418	19.37			
Seven	187	8.67	605	28.04			
Eight	352	16.31	957	44.35			
Nine	482	22.34	1439	66.68			
Ten	719	33.32	2158	100.00			

Frequency Missing = 24

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	1021	47.31	1021	47.31		
Somewhat concerned, I'll probably have enough funds.	845	39.16	1866	86.47		
Very concerned, not sure I'll have enough funds	292	13.53	2158	100.00		

Frequency Missing = 24

19.Indicate whether each of the following will be a funding source for your college education?	Number	Percentage of Responses			
	of Responses	Not a source	Minor source	Major source	
a. Parents/Relatives	2150	6.42	15.63	77.95	
b. Veteran's benefits	2125	95.72	3.44	0.85	
c. Educational grants	2120	66.51	18.21	15.28	
d. KEES Scholarship	2119	27.09	41.25	31.67	
e. Other Scholarship	2134	44.70	30.08	25.21	
f. Student loans	2129	56.08	21.75	22.17	
g. Employment while attending college	2127	54.16	37.24	8.60	
h. Personal savings	2137	46.65	42.07	11.28	

20. Do you plan to join a fraternity/sorority?							
q20	Frequency	Percent	Cumulative Frequency	Cumulative Percent			
No	1069	50.16	1069	50.16			
Not sure	628	29.47	1697	79.63			
Yes	434	20.37	2131	100.00			

Frequency Missing = 51

21. How important each of the following goals or expectations are for you in your college career?	Number	Percentage of Responses				
	of Responses	Not important	Somewhat important	Very important	Mean	StDev
a. To develop my intellectual capabilities	2146	1.26	21.67	77.07	2.76	0.46
b. To become a cultured person	2139	5.80	38.29	55.91	2.50	0.61
c. To qualify for a job	2138	2.81	17.26	79.93	2.77	0.48
d. To study new subjects and ideas	2142	1.91	31.93	66.15	2.64	0.52
e. To make new friends	2142	2.43	20.03	77.54	2.75	0.49
f. To join a student organization	2137	12.31	46.09	41.60	2.29	0.67
g. To acquire a broad general education	2133	3.52	35.35	61.13	2.58	0.56
h. To attend athletic events	2133	11.72	33.71	54.57	2.43	0.69
i. To increase my earning power in the job market	2134	4.03	25.54	70.43	2.66	0.55
j. To please my parents	2135	11.57	39.72	48.71	2.37	0.68
k. To train for a specific career	2136	2.76	22.71	74.53	2.72	0.51

22. Highest degree you ultimately plan to earn							
q22	Frequency	Percent	Cumulative Frequency	Cumulative Percent			
I do not plan to complete a degree	4	0.19	4	0.19			
Bachelor's degree	344	16.24	348	16.43			
Master's degree	856	40.42	1204	56.85			
Professional degree	478	22.57	1682	79.41			
Doctoral degree	436	20.59	2118	100.00			

Frequency Missing = 64

25. About how many people live in your hometown?								
q25	Frequency	Percent	Cumulative Frequency	Cumulative Percent				
1,000 or less	59	2.82	59	2.82				
1,001 to 3,000	152	7.26	211	10.07				
3,001 to 7,000	187	8.93	398	19.00				
7,001 to 10,000	149	7.11	547	26.11				
10,001 to 20,000	285	13.60	832	39.71				
20,001 to 50,000	381	18.19	1213	57.90				
50,001 to 100,000	196	9.36	1409	67.26				
100,001 to 250,000	118	5.63	1527	72.89				
250,001 to 500,000	201	9.59	1728	82.48				
more than 500,000	367	17.52	2095	100.00				

Frequency Missing = 87

26. About how far is your family home from UK?						
q26	Frequency	Percent	Cumulative Frequency	Cumulative Percent		
Less than 10 miles	164	7.66	164	7.66		
11 to 50 miles	256	11.96	420	19.63		
51 to 100 miles	728	34.02	1148	53.64		
101 to 300 miles	672	31.40	1820	85.05		
301 to 600 miles	225	10.51	2045	95.56		
More than 600 miles	95	4.44	2140	100.00		

Frequency Missing = 42

27. What is the highest level of education achieved by your parents?			Percentage of Responses						
	Number of Responses	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.	Mean	StDev
Mother's highest education	2134	1.83	21.70	20.62	33.60	19.17	3.09	3.56	1.17
Father's highest education	2125	2.87	19.44	18.12	31.91	19.25	8.42	3.70	1.29

28. Family income						
q28	Frequency	Percent	Cumulative Frequency	Cumulative Percent		
\$30,000 or less	158	8.02	158	8.02		
\$30,001 to \$40,000	104	5.28	262	13.30		
\$40,001 to \$50,000	107	5.43	369	18.73		
\$50,001 to \$60,000	116	5.89	485	24.62		
\$60,001 to \$70,000	165	8.38	650	32.99		
\$70,001 to \$80,000	202	10.25	852	43.25		
\$80,001 to \$90,000	178	9.04	1030	52.28		
\$90,001 to \$100,000	214	10.86	1244	63.15		
\$100,001 to \$120,000	302	15.33	1546	78.48		
More than \$120,000	424	21.52	1970	100.00		

Frequency Missing = 212

Survey students' college						
COLLEGE	Frequency	Percent	Cumulative Frequency	Cumulative Percent		
Agriculture	138	6.32	138	6.32		
Health Sciences	100	4.58	238	10.91		
Arts and Sciences	475	21.77	713	32.68		
Business and Economics	233	10.68	946	43.35		
Communications	83	3.80	1029	47.16		
Design	47	2.15	1076	49.31		
Education	123	5.64	1199	54.95		
Engineering	252	11.55	1451	66.50		
Fine Arts	60	2.75	1511	69.25		
Nursing	86	3.94	1597	73.19		
Social Work	5	0.23	1602	73.42		
Undergraduate Studies	580	26.58	2182	100.00		

Survey students' gender						
SEX	Cumulative Percent					
Female	1264	57.93	1264	57.93		
Male	918	42.07	2182	100.00		

Survey students' race							
RACE	Frequency	Percent	Cumulative Frequency	Cumulative Percent			
Nonresident Alien	3	0.14	3	0.14			
African American	64	2.93	67	3.07			
Asian	53	2.43	120	5.50			
Hispanic	19	0.87	139	6.37			
White	1997	91.52	2136	97.89			
Missing	46	2.11	2182	100.00			