



A preview of the survey questionnaire

Chosen by Chance: A study of the impacts of the H-1B visa lottery on foreign students and workers

Here is a preview of some of the questions you can expect on the questionnaire that we will send you after you email us to volunteer for the study. We will keep your answers strictly and absolutely confidential. We will send you essentially the same questionnaire twice: once in April 2009, before the visa lottery results are issued, and again in December 2009, to see how things may have changed.

The questionnaire will take about ten minutes to complete. You can expect to be asked general questions about your career, aspirations, and family, including questions like these:

- What country do you currently reside in?
- If you are employed, what industry do you work in now?
- What industry would you like to make your long-term career in?
- Have you started a new job or started a business within the last eight months?
- If you could freely choose which country you would like to live in ten years from now, what country would you prefer to live in?
- Have you spent any of your own money on administrative fees or legal fees related to US immigration in the past six months?
 - If so, roughly how much?
- What country were you born in?
- What is the highest academic degree you have completed?
 - In what country did you receive that degree?
 - In what year did you receive that degree?
- Are you currently enrolled in an academic degree program?
 - If so, in what country is that degree program located?
 - If so, which degree will you receive when you finish?
- If you are employed, what are your approximate annual earnings in your current primary occupation, including any bonuses? (Please specify which currency.)
- What country did you reside in five years ago?

For those currently residing outside of their country of birth:

- If you have a spouse, what country does he or she reside in?
- If you have children, what country do they reside in?
- If either of your parents are living, what country/countries do they reside in?
- In the last six months, did you send any money as a gift to family or friends in your country of birth?
 - If so, the last time you sent money, approximately how much did you send? (Please specify which currency)