

Table 18
Reasons for Not Going to College
(N=357)

Reason	N	% of Respondents Not Going to College
Money-related issues	149	41.7
Can't afford college	90	25.2
Working now to save money to go to college	32	9.0
Couldn't get enough funding/financial aid	14	3.9
Working to purchase something	9	2.5
Wanted to start saving money	4	1.1
Not interested in college at this time	117	32.8
Wanted to take a break from school	66	18.5
Just didn't want to go to college	36	10.1
Have the job I want now, don't need more education	8	2.2
More interested in social life, not school	7	2.0
Work interference	108	30.3
Work schedule doesn't allow me to go to college	108	30.3
Unprepared for college	100	28.0
Not ready for college	44	12.3
Couldn't decide what to do	33	9.2
Moved and getting settled	11	3.1
Missed deadline for college or loan application	6	1.7
Didn't have high enough grades for college	6	1.7
Other plans	77	21.6
Joined military service (or spouse joined)	36	10.1
Military will provide education or pay for it	15	4.2
Have a child to care for	14	3.9
Wanted/needed to travel	12	3.4
Other conflicts, problems, or reasons	44	12.3
Family, personal, or health problems preclude college	13	3.6
Religious reasons	9	2.5
Other assorted reasons	22	6.2

Top 10 Reasons for Not Going to College

