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25%



serious problem making

a living wage.

INCOME

of higher education HIGHER EDUCATION **EDUCATION** SUPPORT **PROFESSIONALS**

ESPs hold more than one job.

of higher education ESPs spend their own money to meet the needs of their students.

37% 30%

of higher education ESPs have a moderate or serious problem paying credit card balances.

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Higher education ESPs and their families are skipping medical care due to financial strain.

Percent reporting that they or someone in their household has skipped each type of medical care due to other financial priorities.

HEALTH

HIGHER **EDUCATION EDUCATION SUPPORT PROFESSIONALS**

39% **29%** 28% Preventative or Routine Acute or Spontaneous Filling a Prescription

Medical Appointments

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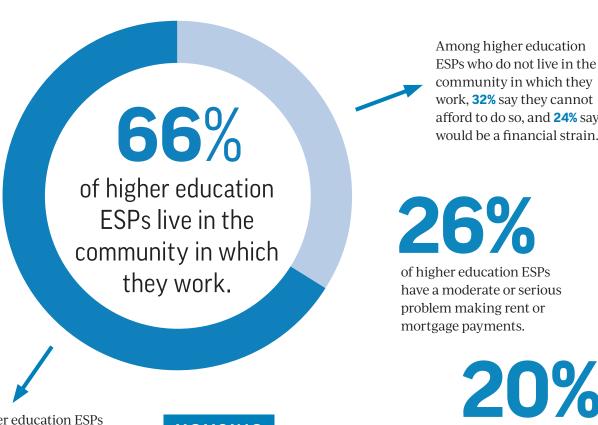
of higher education ESPs participate in Medicaid.

of higher education ESPs have a moderate or serious problem paying for medical expenses.

of higher education ESPs have a moderate or serious problem paying health insurance premiums.

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Among higher education ESPs who live in the community in which they work, 34% find doing so to be a financial strain, while another 3% rely on employer housing benefits or employersponsored housing to make this affordable.

HOUSING

HIGHER EDUCATION **EDUCATION SUPPORT PROFESSIONALS**

community in which they work, 32% say they cannot afford to do so, and 24% say it would be a financial strain.

26%

have a moderate or serious problem making rent or

of higher education ESPs have a moderate or serious problem paying gas, electric, or phone bills.

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HIGHER EDUCATION EDUCATION SUPPORT PROFESSIONALS

24%

of higher education ESPs have a moderate or serious problem buying food.

13% of pa

of higher education ESPs participate in free grocery or free meal programs.

6%

of higher education ESPs participate in SNAP, also known as food stamps.

About the survey: SSRS conducted this survey on behalf of NEA from May 14 to July 7, 2024. The sample was drawn from a combination of NEA member lists, the SSRS Probability-Based Business Insights Panel, and a nonprobability/opt-in panel. Data were weighted to reflect the national educator population; for higher education ESPs, weighted n=298.