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As in previous years, anonymized results of the survey will be made publicly available under the Open Database License, where anyone can download and analyze the data. On that note, throughout the survey, certain answers you and your peers give will be treated as personally identifiable information, and therefore kept out of the anonymized results file. We'll call out each of those in the survey with a note saying "This information will be kept private."

There are six sections in this survey. The 2nd, 3rd, and 4th sections will appear in a random order.

- 1. Basic Information
- 2. Your Education, Work, and Career
- 3. Technology and Tech Culture
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Most questions in this survey are optional. Required questions are noted with an *.

The survey should take 25 minutes to complete. We encourage you to complete it in one sitting. To begin, click **Next**.

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Qualification

Basic Information

The first section will focus on some basic information about who you are.

Most questions in this section are required. Required questions are noted with an *.

* Which of the following options best describes you today? Here, by "developer" we mean "someone who writes code."

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I am a developer by profession

I am not primarily a developer, but I write code sometimes as part of my work

I used to be a developer by profession, but no longer am

I am a student who is learning to code

I code primarily as a hobby

None of these

* Do you code as a hobby?



No

* How often do you contribute to open source?

Never

Less than once per year

Less than once a month but more than once per year

Once a month or more often

How do you feel about the quality of open source software (OSS)?

- OSS is, on average, of HIGHER quality than proprietary / closed source software
 -) The quality of OSS and closed source software is about the same

OSS is, on average, of LOWER quality than proprietary / closed source software

Which of the following best describes your current employment status?

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Employed part-time

Employed full-time

Independent contractor, freelancer, or self-employed

Not employed, but looking for work

Not employed, and not looking for work

- Retired
- I prefer not to say

We're thinking about creating a coding music playlist. What is your favorite music artist or genre that helps you focus?

Location

* In which country do you currently reside?

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In which state or territory of the USA do you live? *This information will be kept private.*

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In which part of the United Kingdom do you live?

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In which federal state do you live? This information will be kept private.

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In which state of Brazil do you live? This information will be kept private.

In which province or territory do you live? *This information will be kept private.*

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In which department of France do you live? *This information will be kept private.*



In which state or union territory of India do you live? *This information will be kept private.*

In which state do you live? This information will be kept private.

In which province of Poland do you live? *This information will be kept private.*

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In which city or town do you live? This information will be kept private.

2 - Education + Work + Career

Education, work, and career

This section will focus on your education, work, and career.

Most questions in this section are optional. Required questions are noted with an *.

Are you currently enrolled in a formal, degree-granting college or university program?

- Yes, full-time
 - Yes, part-time No
 - I prefer not to say

Which of the following best describes the highest level of formal education that you've completed?



Bachelor's degree (BA, BS, B.Eng., etc.)

Master's degree (MA, MS, M.Eng., MBA, etc.)

Professional degree (JD, MD, etc.)

Other doctoral degree (Ph.D, Ed.D., etc.)

Something else:

What was your main or most important field of study?

Computer science, computer engineering, or software engineering Web development or web design Information systems, information technology, or system administration Mathematics or statistics Another engineering discipline (ex. civil, electrical, mechanical) A business discipline (ex. accounting, finance, marketing) A health science (ex. nursing, pharmacy, radiology) A humanities discipline (ex. literature, history, philosophy) A natural science (ex. biology, chemistry, physics) A social science (ex. anthropology, psychology, political science) Fine arts or performing arts (ex. graphic design, music, studio art) I never declared a major Other:

Which of the following types of non-degree education have you used or participated in? Please select all that apply.



Which of the following best describes the industry you work in? If you or your employer are involved in several industries, please choose the one most relevant to the products or services you work on. *This information will be kept private.*

Consulting	
Data and analytics	- 1
Energy or Utilities	- 1
Education and Training	
Financial and Banking	
Government or Public Administration	
Health Care or Social Services	
Information technology	
Internet	
Manufacturing	

You selected "Other." Please tell us the industry you work in.

Approximately how many people are employed by the company or organization you work for?

Just me - I am a freelancer, sole proprietor, etc. 2-9 employees $\dot{0}00000$ 10 to 19 employees 20 to 99 employees 100 to 499 employees

500 to 999 employees

1,000 to 4,999 employees

5,000 to 9,999 employees

10,000 or more employees

I don't know

Which of the following describe you? Please select all that apply.

	Academic researcher
$\overline{\Box}$	Data or business analyst
\Box	Data scientist or machine learning specialist
$\overline{\Box}$	Database administrator
$\overline{\Box}$	Designer
$\overline{\Box}$	Developer, back-end
\Box	Developer, desktop or enterprise applications
$\overline{\Box}$	Developer, embedded applications or devices
$\overline{\square}$	Developer, front-end

Developer, full-stack
Developer, game or graphics
Developer, mobile
Developer, QA or test
DevOps specialist
Educator
Engineer, data
Engineer, site reliability
Engineering manager
Marketing or sales professional
Product manager
Scientist
Senior Executive (C-Suite, VP, etc.)
Student
System administrator
Other

Including any education, how many years have you been coding?

At what age did you write your first line of code or program? (E.g., webpage, Hello World, Scratch project)

How many years have you coded professionally (as a part of your work)?

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* Overall, how satisfied are you with your career thus far?

Very dissatisfied

- Slightly dissatisfied
- Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied
- Slightly satisfied
- Very satisfied

How satisfied are you with your current job? (If you work multiple jobs, answer for the one you spend the most hours on.)

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Very dissatisfied Slightly dissatisfied Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied Slightly satisfied Very satisfied

How confident are you that your manager knows what they're doing?

Very confident
Somewhat confident
Not at all confident
I don't have a manager

Do you believe that you need to be a manager to make more money?

Ves No Not sure

Do you want to become a manager yourself in the future?

Yes No Not sure I am already a manager

* Which of the following best describes your current job-seeking status?

I am actively looking for a job
 I'm not actively looking, but I am open to new opportunities
 I am not interested in new job opportunities

When was the last time that you took a job with a new employer?

Less than a year ago 1-2 years ago 3-4 years ago More than 4 years ago I've never had a job In your most recent successful job interview (resulting in a job offer), you were asked to... (check all that apply)

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Write any code

Write code by hand (e.g., on a whiteboard)

Complete a take-home project

Solve a brain-teaser style puzzle

Interview with people in peer roles

Interview with people in senior / management roles

Have you ever been asked to solve FizzBuzz in an interview?

\bigcirc	Yes
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Imagine that you are deciding between two job offers with the same compensation, benefits, and location. Of the following factors, which 3 are MOST important to you?

	Diversity of the company or organization
$\overline{\Box}$	Languages, frameworks, and other technologies I'd be working with
	Industry that I'd be working in
	How widely used or impactful my work output would be
	Specific department or team I'd be working on
	Flex time or a flexible schedule
	Remote work options

- Financial performance or funding status of the company or organization
- Office environment or company culture
- Opportunities for professional development

Think back to the last time you updated your resumé, CV, or an online profile on a job site. What is the PRIMARY reason that you did so?

Re-entry into the workforce
My job status changed (promotion, new job, etc.)
I had a negative experience or interaction at work
I heard about a job opportunity (from a recruiter, online job posting, etc.)
Something else changed (education, award, media, etc.)
I was preparing for a job search

What was your reason for re-entry into the workforce?

* Which currency do you use day-to-day? If your answer is complicated, please pick the one you're most comfortable estimating in.

AED United Arab Emirates dirham
AFN Afghan afghani
ALL Albanian lek
AMD Armenian dram
ANG Netherlands Antillean guilder
AOA Angolan kwanza
ARS Argentine peso
AUD Australian dollar
AWG Aruban florin
AZN Azerbaijan manat

What is your current total compensation (salary, bonuses, and perks, before taxes and deductions), in

\${q://QID50/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoicesTextEntry}? Please enter a whole number in the box below, without any punctuation. If you are paid hourly, please estimate an equivalent weekly, monthly, or yearly salary. If you prefer not to answer, please leave the box empty.

Is that compensation weekly, monthly, or yearly?

Weekly Monthly Yearly

On average, how many hours per week do you work?

There is a schedule and/or spec (made by me or by a colleague), and I follow it very closely

There is a schedule and/or spec (made by me or by a colleague), and my work somewhat aligns

There's no schedule or spec; I work on what seems most important or urgent

Other:

Of these options, what are your greatest challenges to productivity as a developer? Select up to 3:

Distracting work environment

Being tasked with non-development work

Meetings

Time spent commuting

Not enough people for the workload

Toxic work environment

Inadequate access to necessary tools

Lack of support from management

Non-work commitments (parenting, school work, hobbies, etc.)



It's complicated All or almost all the time (I'm full-time remote) More than half, but not all, the time About half the time Less than half the time, but at least one day each week A few days each month

Less than once per month / Never

Where would you prefer to work?

-) Home
-) Office

Other place, such as a coworking space or cafe

For the specific work you do, and the years of experience you have, how do you rate your own level of competence?

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- Far below average
- A little below average
- Average
- A little above average
- Far above average

Do you review code as part of your work?

No Yes, because I was told to do so On average, how many hours per week do you spend on code review?

Does your company regularly employ unit tests in the development of their products?

Yes, it's part of our process

Yes, it's not part of our process but the developers do it on their own

- No, but I think we should
- No, and I'm glad we don't

How does your company make decisions about purchasing new technology (cloud, AI, IoT, databases)?

\sum	Developers typically have the most influence on purchasing new technology
Š	Developers and management have nearly equal input into purchasing new technology
	The CTO_CIO_or other management purchase new technology typically

The CTO, CIO, or other management purchase new technology typically
without the involvement of developers

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Other:

What level of influence do you, personally, have over new technology purchases at your organization?

I have some influence I have a great deal of influence I have little or no influence

3 - TechandTechCulture

Tech and tech culture

The next set of questions will focus on technology and tech culture.

Most questions in this section are optional. Required questions are noted with an *.

Which of the following programming, scripting, and markup languages have you done extensive development work in over the past year, and which do you want to work in over the next year? (If you both worked with the language and want to continue to do so, please check both boxes in that row.)

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Assembly		Γ
Bash/Shell/PowerShell		Γ
C		Γ
C++		Γ
C#		Γ
Clojure		Γ
Dart		C
Elixir		Γ
Erlang		Γ
F#		Γ
Go		Γ
HTML/CSS		Γ
Java		Γ
JavaScript		Γ
Kotlin		Γ
Objective-C		Γ
PHP		Γ
Python		Γ
R		Γ

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Ruby		Γ
Rust		Γ
Scala		Γ
SQL		Γ
Swift		Γ
TypeScript		Γ
VBA		Γ
WebAssembly		С
Other(s):		C

Which of the following database environments have you done extensive development work in over the past year, and which do you want to work in over the next year? (If you both worked with the database and want to continue to do so, please check both boxes in that row.)



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	Worked with in past year	Want to work with next year
DynamoDB		
Elasticsearch		
Firebase		
MariaDB		
MongoDB		
Microsoft SQL Server		
MySQL		
Oracle		
PostgreSQL		
Redis		
SQLite		
Other(s):		

Which of the following platforms have you done extensive development work for over the past year? (If you both developed for the platform and want to continue to do so, please check both boxes in that row.)

	Worked with in past year	Want to work with next year
Android		
https://stackoverflow.az1.qualtrics.com/WRQualtricsControlPanel/Ajax.php?action=GetSurveyPrintPreview		

Arduino			
AWS		Work ed w ith in past vear	Want to work with next vear
Docker			
Google Cloud Platform			
Heroku			
IBM Cloud or Watson			
iOS			
Kubernetes			
Linux			
Mac OS			
Microsoft Azure			
Raspberry Pi			
Slack			
Windows			
Wordpress			
Other(s):]		

Which of the following web frameworks have you done extensive development work in over the past year, and which do you want to work in over the next year? (If you both worked with the framework and want to continue to do so, please check both boxes in that row.)

	Worked with in past year	Want to work with next year
Angular/Angular.js		
ASP.NET		
Django		
Drupal		
Express		
Flask		
jQuery		
Laravel		
React.js		
Ruby on Rails		
Spring		
Vue.js		
Other(s):	_	_

Which of the following other frameworks, libraries, and tools have you done extensive development work in over the past year, and which do you want to work in over the next year? (If you both worked with the technology and want to continue to do so, please check both boxes in that row.)

Worked with in past year

Want to work with next year

Ansible

Apache Spark

Chef

Cordova

CryEngine

Flutter

Hadoop

.NET

.NET Core

Node.js

Pandas

Puppet

React Native

TensorFlow

Torch/PyTorch

Unity 3D

Unreal Engine

Xamarin

Other(s):



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	٦	Android Studio
	ี่ไ	Atom
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		Komodo
		Light Table
]	NetBeans
]	Notepad++
		PHPStorm
]	PyCharm
]	RStudio
		RubyMine
		Sublime Text
]	TextMate
]	Vim
		Visual Studio
]	Visual Studio Code
		Xcode
]	Zend
		Other(s):

What is the primary operating system in which you work?

\bigcirc	Linux-based
Õ	Windows
Ŏ	MacOS
Ŏ	BSD
ŏ	Other(s):

How do you use containers (Docker, Open Container Initiative (OCI), etc.)?

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Development

Testing

Production

Outside of work, for personal projects

I do not use containers

How is your organization thinking about or implementing blockchain technology?



Accepting Bitcoin or other coins and tokens as payments

Implementing our own cryptocurrency

Implementing cryptocurrency-based products

Non-currency applications of blockchain

Not at all

Don't know

Blockchain / cryptocurrency technology is primarily:

Useful across many domains and could change many aspects of our lives

- Useful for decentralized currency (i.e., Bitcoin)
- Useful for immutable record keeping outside of currency
- A passing fad
- An irresponsible use of resources
- Don't know / not sure

Do you think people born today will have a better life than their parents?

) Yes No

What individual person do you think will have the most influence in tech in the coming year?

Are you the "IT support person" for your family?

Yes Also Yes Fortunately, someone else has that title



Have you tried turning it off and on again?



What social media site do you use the most?

I don't use social media

Do you prefer online chat or IRL conversations?

\bigcirc	Online
Ň	In real life (in person)
ž	Neither

What do you call it?

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Other:

4 - StackCommunity

Stack Overflow - usage and community

This section will focus on Stack Overflow usage and community questions.

Most questions in this section are optional. Required questions are noted with an *.

To the best of your memory, when did you first visit Stack Overflow?

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How frequently would you say you visit Stack Overflow?

- I have never visited Stack Overflow (before today)
- Less than once per month or monthly
- A few times per month or weekly
- A few times per week
- Daily or almost daily
- Multiple times per day

I visit Stack Overflow to... (check all that apply)

Get a sense of belonging to the developer community
Pass the time / relax
Find answers to specific questions
Learn how to do things I didn't necessarily look for
Contribute to a library of information
Meet other people with similar skills or interests

On average, how many times a week do you find (and use) an answer on Stack Overflow?

) Less than once per week

1-2 times per week3-5 times per week6-10 times per weekMore than 10 times per week

Think back to the last time you solved a coding problem using Stack Overflow, as well as the last time you solved a problem using a different resource. Which was faster?

Stack Overflow was much faster
Stack Overflow was slightly faster
They were about the same
The other resource was slightly faster
The other resource was much faster

About how much time did you save? If you're not sure, please use your best estimate.

- 0-10 minutes
 - 11-30 minutes
 - 31-60 minutes
 - 60+ minutes

Do you have a Stack Overflow account?

Yes
No
Not sure / can't remember

How frequently would you say you participate in Q&A on Stack Overflow? By participate we mean ask, answer, vote for, or comment on questions.

- I have never participated in Q&A on Stack Overflow
- Less than once per month or monthly
- A few times per month or weekly
- A few times per week
- Daily or almost daily
- Multiple times per day

Why have you never participated in Q&A on Stack Overflow?

Have you ever used or visited Stack Overflow Jobs?

No, I didn't know that Stack Overflow had a job board

No, I knew that Stack Overflow had a job board but have never used or visited it

) Yes

Have you ever used <u>Stack Overflow for Enterprise</u> or <u>Stack Overflow for</u> <u>Teams</u>?

No, No, Yes

No, and I don't know what those are

No, I've heard of them, but I am not part of a private Q&A instance

Do you consider yourself a member of the Stack Overflow community?

No, not at all No, not really Neutral Yes, somewhat Yes, definitely Not sure

Please elaborate on your answer.

Compared to last year, how welcome do you feel on Stack Overflow?

A lot less welcome now than last year

Somewhat less welcome now than last year

Just as welcome now as I felt last year

Somewhat more welcome now than last year

A lot more welcome now than last year

Not applicable - I did not use Stack Overflow last year

Please elaborate on your answer.

If you could change anything about Stack Overflow, what would it be?

Would you like to see any of the following on Stack Overflow? Check all that apply.



Tech articles written by other developers Industry news about technologies you're interested in Tech meetups or events in your area

Courses on technologies you're interested in

None of the above

Demographics

Demographics

We are almost done! All questions in this section are optional. As a reminder, all reporting of the survey responses will be anonymized.

What is your age (in years)? If you prefer not to answer, you may leave this question blank.

Which of the following do you currently identify as? Please select all that apply. If you prefer not to answer, you may leave this question blank.



Woman

Man

Non-binary, genderqueer, or gender non-conforming

Or, in your own words:

Do you identify as transgender?

\Box	Yes
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) No

Or, in your own words:

Which of the following do you currently identify as? Please select all that apply. If you prefer not to answer, you may leave this question blank.

Bisexual Gay or Lesbian

Straight / Heterosexual

Prefer to self-describe

Prefer not to say

Which of the following do you identify as? Please check all that apply. If you prefer not to answer, you may leave this question blank.

Black or of African descent

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East Asian
Hispanic or Latino/Latina
Middle Eastern
Native American, Pacific Islander, or Indigenous Australian
South Asian
White or of European descent
Biracial
Multiracial
I don't know
I prefer not to answer
Or, in your own words:

Which of the following describe you, if any? This information will be kept private. If you prefer not to answer, you may leave this question blank.

I am blind / have difficulty seeing

I am deaf / hard of hearing

I am unable to / find it difficult to type

I am unable to / find it difficult to walk or stand without assistance

I prefer not to answer

None of the above

Or, in your own words:

Which of the following describe you, if any? This information will be kept private. If you prefer not to answer, you may leave this question blank.

	I have a concentration and/or memory disorder (e.g. ADHD)
$\overline{\Box}$	I have a mood or emotional disorder (e.g. depression, bipolar disorder)
$\overline{\Box}$	I have an anxiety disorder
$\overline{\Box}$	I have autism / an autism spectrum disorder (e.g. Asperger's)
$\overline{\Box}$	I prefer not to answer
$\overline{\Box}$	None of the above
Ē	Or, in your own words:

Do you have any dependents (e.g., children, elders, or others) that you care for?

) Yes

) No

I prefer not to answer

FinalThoughtsSurveyReview

Final thoughts / survey review

How do you feel about the length of the survey this year?

Too short
Appropriate in length
Too long

How easy or difficult was this survey to complete?

Easy Neither easy nor difficult Difficult

Thank you for taking the survey. Do you have any feedback or thoughts you'd like to share?

Thank you for taking the 2019 Developer Survey.

Click **Finish** to submit your answers.

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