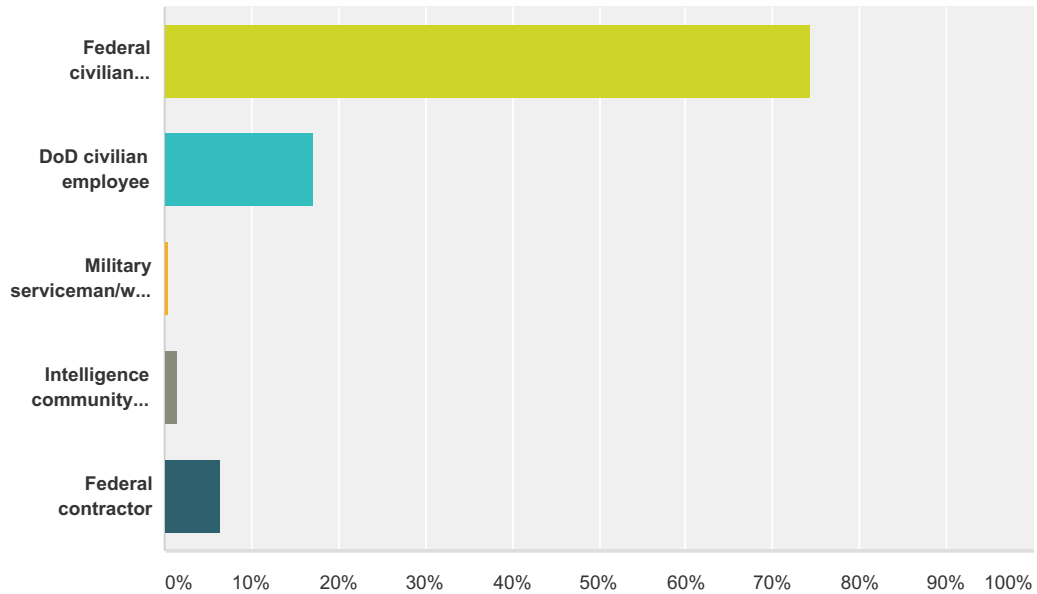


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## Q1 Are you a:

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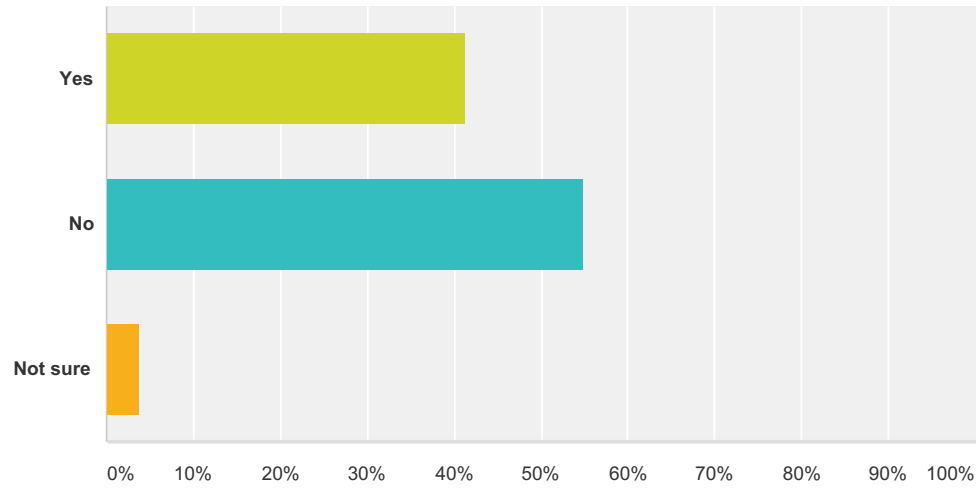
Answer Choices	Responses
Federal civilian employee	74.42% 160
DoD civilian employee	17.21% 37
Military serviceman/woman	0.47% 1
Intelligence community employee	1.40% 3
Federal contractor	6.51% 14
<b>Total</b>	<b>215</b>

#	Other (please specify)	Date
1	Federal Law Enforcement Officer	9/22/2015 1:59 PM

## Q2 Do you plan on teleworking during Pope Francis' visit to Washington?

Answered: 215 Skipped: 0

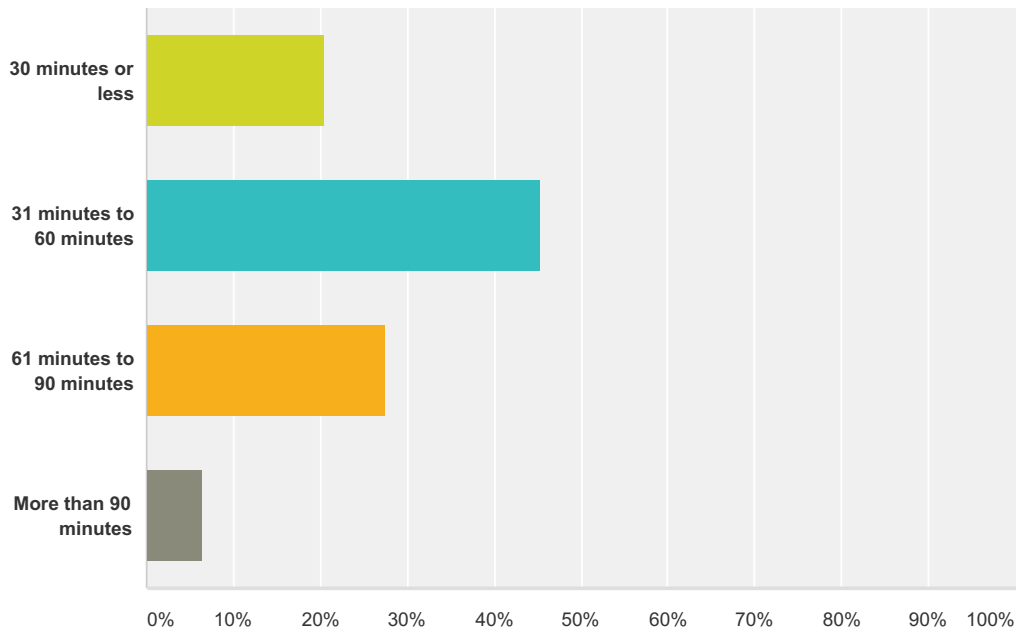
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Answer Choices	Responses
Yes	41.40% 89
No	54.88% 118
Not sure	3.72% 8
<b>Total</b>	<b>215</b>

### Q3 Typically, how long is your average commute?

Answered: 214 Skipped: 1



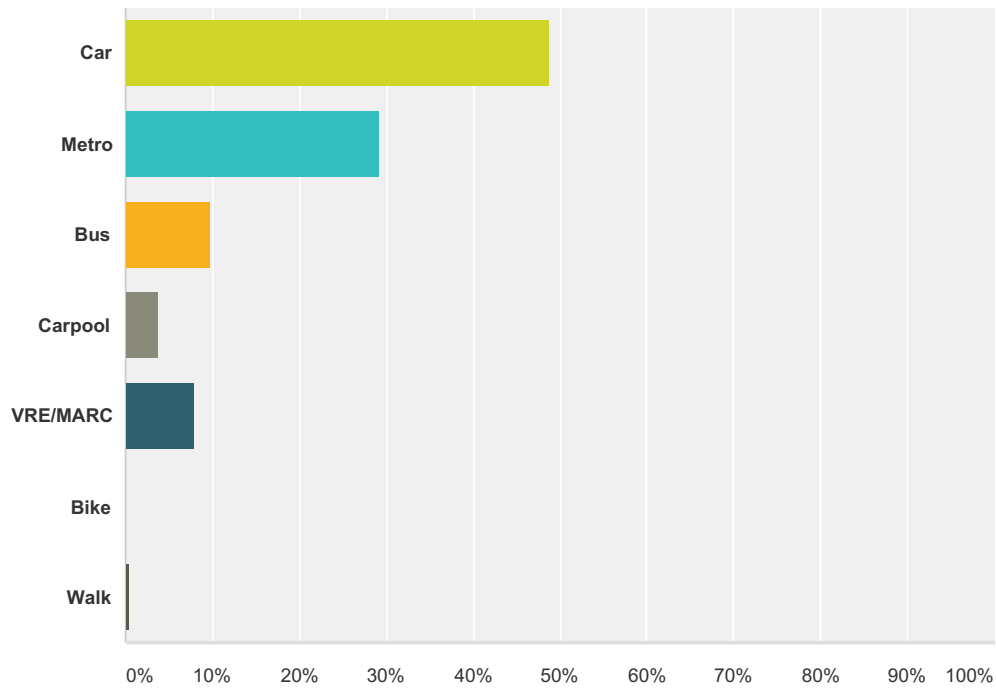
Answer Choices	Responses
30 minutes or less	20.56% 44

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31 minutes to 60 minutes	45.33%	97
61 minutes to 90 minutes	27.57%	59
More than 90 minutes	6.54%	14
<b>Total</b>		<b>214</b>

### Q4 What form of transportation do you typically use?

Answered: 215 Skipped: 0

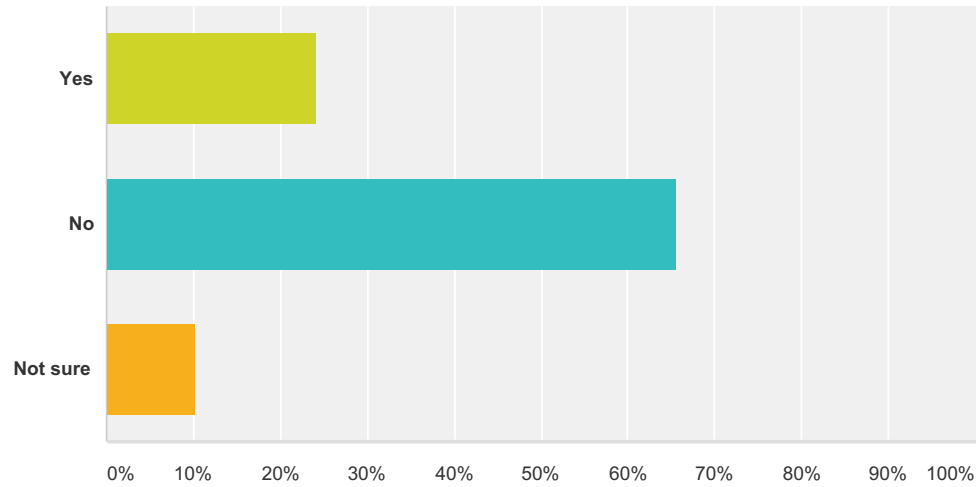


Answer Choices	Responses	Count
Car	48.84%	105
Metro	29.30%	63
Bus	9.77%	21
Carpool	3.72%	8
VRE/MARC	7.91%	17
Bike	0.00%	0
Walk	0.47%	1
<b>Total</b>		<b>215</b>

### Q5 Are you using other flexible workplace options?

Answered: 215 Skipped: 0

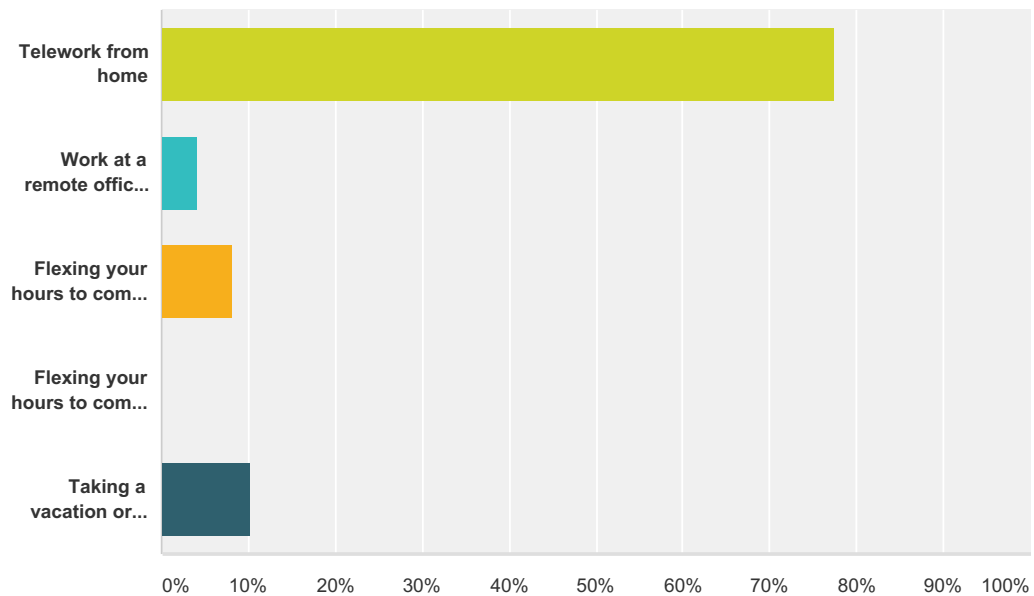
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Answer Choices	Responses	Count
Yes	24.19%	52
No	65.58%	141
Not sure	10.23%	22
<b>Total</b>		<b>215</b>

### Q6 If you answered yes, which flexible workplace options are you using?

Answered: 49 Skipped: 166



Answer Choices	Responses	Count
Telework from home	77.55%	38
Work at a remote office outside of D.C.	4.08%	2

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Flexing your hours to come in to the office earlier	<b>8.16%</b>	4
Flexing your hours to come in to the office later	<b>0.00%</b>	0
Taking a vacation or sick day	<b>10.20%</b>	5
<b>Total</b>		<b>49</b>

#	Other (please specify)	Date
1	Changing my Alternate Work Schedule day off from Friday to Wednesday, as this IS the time of fiscal year-end closing of financial books.	9/22/2015 6:02 PM
2	Comptime accumulated for Papal visit	9/22/2015 5:50 PM
3	AWS	9/22/2015 10:33 AM
4	my times vary when I get in because I use the subway and the bus	9/21/2015 8:40 AM
5	telework from home, flexing hours, taking vacation time	9/21/2015 8:22 AM

## Q7 If you answered no, why?

Answered: 97 Skipped: 118

#	Responses	Date
1	my position doesnt offer it im a CET	9/28/2015 1:12 PM
2	Manager won't allow it.	9/24/2015 8:35 PM
3	You can always avoid the traffic some way, some how. it's always a challenge. Look at Metro! I'm in my car, listening to my radio, enjoying life and work.	9/23/2015 7:21 AM
4	There is still a lot to do for the fiscal year end reports. And to prepare for another possible government shutdown. The Public expects us to answer questions and the type of work is not accessible remote for telework due to security reasons.	9/22/2015 6:06 PM
5	I don't want to be bothered with the delays and distractions. I think it will result in non-productive work days	9/22/2015 5:51 PM
6	Defense Contractor without ability to telework.	9/22/2015 5:36 PM
7	I'll come in an usual.	9/22/2015 5:14 PM
8	can't	9/22/2015 5:08 PM
9	Unnecessary	9/22/2015 4:58 PM
10	Not available.	9/22/2015 3:54 PM
11	There is no telework plan at my place of employment.	9/22/2015 3:50 PM
12	Not an option	9/22/2015 3:47 PM
13	Because, it is not an option for Contractors	9/22/2015 3:46 PM
14	Our leadership said we will be AT the Office	9/22/2015 3:32 PM
15	Teleworking only	9/22/2015 3:26 PM
16	I already responded that I will be teleworking.	9/22/2015 3:18 PM
17	There is no other way.	9/22/2015 3:16 PM
18	Not allowed	9/22/2015 2:49 PM
19	Telework gets it done.	9/22/2015 2:16 PM
20	I was not allowed any change in my schedule.	9/22/2015 2:07 PM
21	why should i	9/22/2015 1:58 PM
22	Not offered.	9/22/2015 1:57 PM

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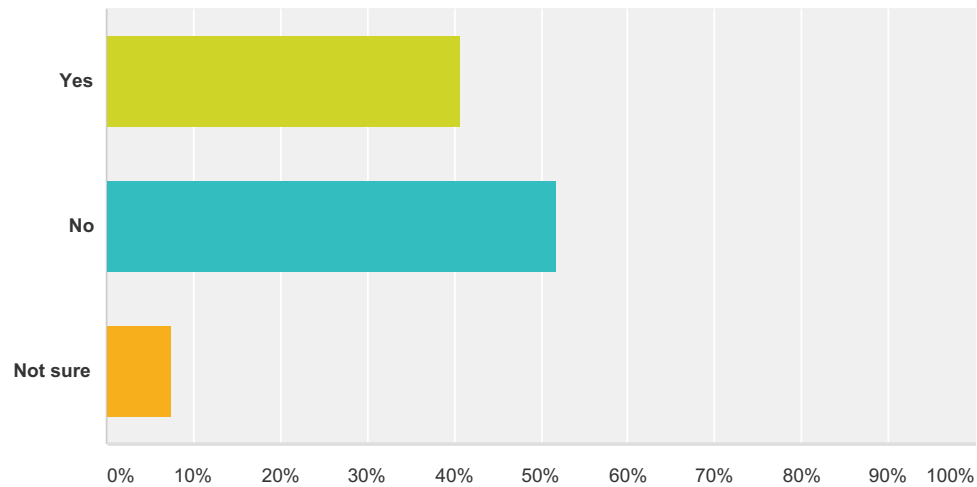
23	I cannot telecommute with a toddler at home. My daycare is in the city and near the WH. It will be inaccessible to even try to do a drop off. I must take annual leave.	9/22/2015 1:47 PM
24	Because I work in Rockville, MD and I live in Germantown, MD.	9/22/2015 1:46 PM
25	Do not fit my schedule	9/22/2015 1:39 PM
26	not impacted	9/22/2015 1:35 PM
27	No other option is available	9/22/2015 1:30 PM
28	not approved for telework	9/22/2015 1:26 PM
29	Not permitted to by managment	9/22/2015 1:10 PM
30	working from home is the only option	9/22/2015 12:57 PM
31	Leaving early Tues & Thurs (annual), teleworking Wed	9/22/2015 12:45 PM
32	IT is not working to allow it. I'm taking annual leave.	9/22/2015 12:44 PM
33	not allowed	9/22/2015 12:38 PM
34	Not eligible for teleworking.	9/22/2015 12:36 PM
35	No other alternatives	9/22/2015 10:13 AM
36	Not Available	9/22/2015 9:20 AM
37	Not interested in any other	9/22/2015 9:15 AM
38	I don't understand the question.	9/22/2015 9:14 AM
39	Agency doesn't allow telework.	9/22/2015 8:54 AM
40	My Agency does not allow me to work from home.	9/22/2015 8:18 AM
41	Out of date home computer excludes me from teleworking. To be telework eligible, I'd need to buy a new home computer.	9/22/2015 7:37 AM
42	I don't have a teleworking agreement.	9/22/2015 7:28 AM
43	Teleworking covers it for me.	9/22/2015 6:40 AM
44	Not allowed to telework	9/21/2015 9:53 PM
45	My manager removed me from teleworking because I filed a harassment complaint and EEO case.	9/21/2015 9:37 PM
46	Commuting via car is the most convenient.	9/21/2015 8:14 PM
47	No flexible workplace options exist. OPM overestimates the number of people who have access to these "alternatives"	9/21/2015 8:08 PM
48	What else is there than teleworking options?	9/21/2015 7:05 PM
49	Not an option	9/21/2015 6:36 PM
50	Do not think there will be impact between where I live and Rockville, MD.	9/21/2015 4:11 PM
51	not permitted by U.S. Army subordinate agency	9/21/2015 3:56 PM
52	Not available	9/21/2015 3:49 PM
53	Other options and telework are not available	9/21/2015 3:45 PM
54	Not able telework	9/21/2015 3:19 PM
55	Telework is not an option for our group. Being forced to take leave earned is unfair for all fed gov employees.	9/21/2015 3:04 PM
56	no other option	9/21/2015 2:32 PM
57	Already teleworking.	9/21/2015 2:11 PM
58	Home internet is not broadband and I have plenty of leave. Live near Brookland.	9/21/2015 2:09 PM
59	no options	9/21/2015 2:06 PM
60	not affected	9/21/2015 1:52 PM
61	I do not work in the District	9/21/2015 1:52 PM

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62	none are available to me.	9/21/2015 1:41 PM
63	If I answered no to what question?	9/21/2015 1:13 PM
64	Not allow telework full time	9/21/2015 1:10 PM
65	office leadership -- not fans of teleworking or AWS. They like employees to be at the office, even though most people would be very productive at home or AWS.	9/21/2015 1:01 PM
66	Our chain of command is not allowing us or making anything available to us.	9/21/2015 1:01 PM
67	Not offered by agency.	9/21/2015 12:44 PM
68	In-person training. Didn't learn about the papal visit with enough notice to reschedule my class.	9/21/2015 12:29 PM
69	We are not allowed to telework.	9/21/2015 12:19 PM
70	My travel routes will not be affected by the visit.	9/21/2015 12:14 PM
71	My job requires that I am in the office. It is fiscal year end close and there are many functions that must continue.	9/21/2015 12:06 PM
72	Not allowed	9/21/2015 11:38 AM
73	telework covers requirements	9/21/2015 11:33 AM
74	unavailable to me	9/21/2015 11:04 AM
75	Please describe "alternate". Telework, AWS? If, yes, list in survey.	9/21/2015 10:52 AM
76	Our agency does not allow for telework due to the nature of our business. I'm nervous about my commute since the buses will not be traveling downtown during the Pope's visit. We will be left to take Metro (in a part of the region that is notorious...for not being the safest place to be). I'm very concerned about safety with thousands of visitors traveling into the city. It only takes one little blip on the Metro and service is ruined for all riders. I really wish they would offer some sort of admin leave or allow us to work comp time to help us out. I don't have extra hours of leave to just use for no reason.	9/21/2015 10:46 AM
77	On-site work obligations that can not be rescheduled	9/21/2015 10:20 AM
78	Not eligible	9/21/2015 9:55 AM
79	need to be in main office	9/21/2015 9:52 AM
80	Supervisor not authorizing it. :(	9/21/2015 9:40 AM
81	My agency is only permitting ONE telework day, no matter how many days the Pope impacts area transportation.	9/21/2015 9:25 AM
82	Telework is the only other option.	9/21/2015 9:18 AM
83	must attend an on-site class	9/21/2015 9:16 AM
84	My commute is in the outer suburban area, and typically lasts only 10 minutes. If traffic here gets bad enough, I can always walk.	9/21/2015 9:13 AM
85	Not allowed to telework	9/21/2015 9:09 AM
86	I don't have that option.	9/21/2015 8:47 AM
87	Live on the north east side of Baltimore and commute to College Park, not much public transportation with ease of use.	9/21/2015 8:44 AM
88	Not eligible	9/21/2015 8:44 AM
89	Don't have them; they are not given to contractors as usual.	9/21/2015 8:42 AM
90	My workload is on hold until the new FY starts..	9/21/2015 8:41 AM
91	because of traffic	9/21/2015 8:40 AM
92	No alternatives available.	9/21/2015 8:26 AM
93	Cannot telework due to classified work	9/21/2015 8:24 AM
94	what was the question	9/21/2015 8:22 AM
95	telework option does not work for my type of work	9/21/2015 8:15 AM
96	Client will not permit work offsite.	9/21/2015 7:59 AM
97	Not allowed by Agency	9/21/2015 7:52 AM

### Q8 Should OPM close the government for the Pope's visit?

Answered: 201 Skipped: 14



Answer Choices	Responses	
Yes	40.80%	82
No	51.74%	104
Not sure	7.46%	15
<b>Total</b>		<b>201</b>

### Q9 Any other comments about the potential traffic and commuting challenges expected next week?

Answered: 64 Skipped: 151

#	Responses	Date
1	people freak out for no good reasons and take advantage of telework.	9/23/2015 7:22 AM
2	Metro is not equipped to handle an event such as this. On a regular commute such as Monday and Tuesday with the fire at stadium armory metro personnel can't handle a bad situation. Some Metro employees do not communicate well and are not helpful at times	9/22/2015 10:44 PM
3	No clear information on the local shut down of roads in the immediate areas outside the City. The visit should have waited for the first week of October, and Congress should have resolved issues before the LAST minute.	9/22/2015 6:08 PM
4	Many Federal employees have school aged kids that will out of school for a up to 4 days. Federal employees should not have to take personal leave time to deal with state or federally sponsored visits by a head of state that results in such wide spread road closings, parking restrictions and inconvenience to working class citizen who are already paying the bill with tax dollars.	9/22/2015 5:56 PM
5	None	9/22/2015 5:14 PM
6	No	9/22/2015 4:59 PM
7	No	9/22/2015 3:51 PM



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8	Not sure if the options are going to work out at this point in time.	9/22/2015 3:48 PM
9	Media Hype	9/22/2015 3:18 PM
10	offices vary in telework options and many managers do not offer accommodations leaving employees to figure out options	9/22/2015 2:18 PM
11	Metro cannot handle the huge crowd of riders. There have been problems with Metro trains Monday and Tuesday and the huge crowds of visitors have not arrived yet. I use the South Capital Street Bridge to drive into town. I am not sure what to expect on Thursday so I plan to take OPM's recommendation to stay home.	9/22/2015 2:14 PM
12	Multiply this by 14 and that would be the local impact if those Bozos win an Olympic bid.	9/22/2015 1:58 PM
13	Some parents can't take advantage of telecommuting if their child cannot be taken to daycare. This is a big inconvenience.	9/22/2015 1:48 PM
14	The senior leadership at my agency has not endorsed telework or other options for the Papal visit, stating we are "open" and all scheduled meetings will take place and to ensure your attendance. This demonstrates the continued hubris on workforce issues and lack of attention to worker morale. No wonder why we are last or near last in any workplace satisfaction surveys.	9/22/2015 1:43 PM
15	They should not close roads for visit	9/22/2015 1:31 PM
16	Per OPM memo it's up to the supervisor to allow Telework. Many in the bldg. where I work are not being allowed to telework. Fortunately I have a reasonable supervisor.	9/22/2015 1:30 PM
17	teleworking is enough for the majority of the employees.	9/22/2015 12:58 PM
18	Administrative leave looks good.	9/22/2015 12:46 PM
19	what they are doing to us is almost criminal	9/22/2015 12:39 PM
20	OPM should have act as if it were a snow day!!!!	9/22/2015 9:16 AM
21	I made the same analogy about the inaugurations. It's not the best decision to through federal employees into the mix for the pope's visit.	9/22/2015 9:15 AM
22	Option for flexible schedules and/or telework very important to handle commuting challenges!	9/22/2015 8:42 AM
23	Disappointing planning for a nation with alleged church-state separation. A Thanksgiving weekend visit would have been much less disruptive. This accommodation of the pope's histrionics speaks volumes about religious inequality in this country, and is a pathetic reflection of our culture of celebrity worship; as if Trump weren't enough already.	9/22/2015 7:43 AM
24	Ugh.	9/22/2015 7:28 AM
25	It will be interesting to see how the local authorities plan to handle traffic. The FBI & Secret Service have been preparing for over a year! Locals??Time will tell; time spent sitting in your car on a congested detoured route to work.	9/22/2015 6:57 AM
26	Not looking forward to dealing with the headache that the visit will cause, especially on Wednesday with other events scheduled for that day (concerts, ball games, etc.).	9/21/2015 9:53 PM
27	It might be possible for workers that can avoid commuting through the district to get to work. This includes using the metro.	9/21/2015 9:40 PM
28	Hoping to get through the week as best possible.	9/21/2015 8:15 PM
29	Metro has so many issues...it was a mess even today (and the pope gets in tomorrow)...it's a nightmare of a system.	9/21/2015 7:06 PM
30	I advise employees to not be too cheap to use some annual leave	9/21/2015 6:56 PM
31	No	9/21/2015 4:12 PM
32	too many cars, too many people	9/21/2015 3:55 PM
33	God Bless us all. The Pope's visit should be a great event.	9/21/2015 3:19 PM
34	I work at an agency inside the Beltway, but not in DC, and my commute is not long, however, I do plan to telework one day, as I know how even one event can have ripple effects throughout the Metro area.	9/21/2015 3:07 PM
35	HORRIFIC	9/21/2015 2:33 PM
36	I think this highlights the importance of having substantial Agency outside of DC, but relatively close to DC. It is only the Agencies that are physically in DC that are impacted....and we have telework.	9/21/2015 2:13 PM
37	Authorities mostly saying: expect traffic problems instead of Papal visitors should use X, Y, Z roads to A, B, C venue.	9/21/2015 2:11 PM
38	Many sidewalks are going to be closed.	9/21/2015 2:04 PM

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39	None	9/21/2015 1:53 PM
40	I volunteered for the Pope's security detail and am concerned about not being able to get downtown for that because of road closures.	9/21/2015 1:42 PM
41	Rolling motorcades have considerable impact but little to no information on where and when.	9/21/2015 1:13 PM
42	stressful, not healthy stay on road too long	9/21/2015 1:11 PM
43	When OPM says "strongly encouraged to telework" many of us do not telework because of the positions that we are in or are not allowed. So therefore those who telework get the benefits and those of us that do not we have to suffer the hardships. When we have big events we close for everything else but not for this. This is a huge disappointment on OPM's part.	9/21/2015 1:05 PM
44	I guess we'll find out afterwards.	9/21/2015 12:55 PM
45	The visit isn't a surprise. It has been advertised and anyone that has worked in the city for more than a day knows the issues and should plan accordingly.	9/21/2015 12:15 PM
46	Government should be closed on Wednesday and maybe Thursday. Tuesday not necessary.	9/21/2015 12:11 PM
47	It will be interesting to how bad traffic really is.	9/21/2015 12:06 PM
48	METRO-Rail will assuredly IMplode this week - already off to a great start.	9/21/2015 11:34 AM
49	Yes, getting around DC will be a mess for a couple of days this week, but their certainly is no reason to close the government. Situations like this is just a good chance to test teleworking as a means to keep the government running during emergency situations. We know about this ahead of time and can plan for it, but emergencies are no time to see if you can make your computer work from home.	9/21/2015 11:20 AM
50	with the lower half of the city closed off, there will be little opportunity to take the metrobus or slug. This will make commuting rather difficult, especially for those who aren't allowed to telework.	9/21/2015 11:05 AM
51	Hope Metro works ok for those who need it - it's bad enough on regular commute days, and lots of tourists will be relying on it	9/21/2015 11:03 AM
52	Suggesting and recommending "teleworking" to D.C. Metro Federal Department Heads should be adequate. A big fat Federal welcome by the President would be appropriate, since America is "great".	9/21/2015 10:55 AM
53	It's a real safety issue for me. Thousands and thousands of visitors to the area, commuter buses that will not be able to get into town, and a number of agencies that are not able to telework...it seems like a nightmare just waiting to happen. Not everyone is able to telework. My feeling is that if the buses cannot get into town, then there is a reason we should not be coming into town. I'm very worried...and my 50 minute commute will likely triple due to this event.	9/21/2015 10:48 AM
54	Administrative staff who aren't permitted to telework are disadvantaged b/c they have no choice, but to endure the extended commute or take annual leave. In general it causes bad feelings in the office.	9/21/2015 10:44 AM
55	They should close on Wednesday when he will be having his mass and the most people are expected downtown.	9/21/2015 10:24 AM
56	Stay off the roads, and count your blessings.	9/21/2015 9:40 AM
57	Streets should not be closed and workers disrupted for the visit of anybody. Period.	9/21/2015 9:38 AM
58	I sure hope that metro doesn't have any service issues.	9/21/2015 9:19 AM
59	It is bad commuting every day this will just be a little worse.	9/21/2015 8:48 AM
60	beyond crazy that OPM did not close the government for this special event. There will be as many if not more people attending than for a presidential inauguration. This is not good security. Not everyone can or is able to telework, or work from an alternate location, or, can take or has the leave to use. This is an extraordinary event. We SHOULD get Wednesday off. Let OPM managers try getting to work on Wednesday.	9/21/2015 8:44 AM
61	Supervisors say not a problem and OPM authority doesn't over ride individual agencies	9/21/2015 8:23 AM
62	PAIN	9/21/2015 8:22 AM
63	No	9/21/2015 8:15 AM
64	Federal workers face enough traffic delays and metro delays on a daily basis. Those of us who do not have the option to telework should not be forced to take three days of leave. The Pope's visit should have been scheduled during the weekend. There will be numerous road closures and some workers will not even have access to their workplace. This is poor planning of DC Government and OPM!!! Another disaster at the expense of Federal Employees!!!!	9/21/2015 7:56 AM