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PART I
MOST FAVORABLE FEATURE OF ARMY LIFE

TABLE B
ENLISTED MEN BY COMPONENT

Most Favorable Feature Of Army Life	Total	Component	
		RA	OTRA
Amount of off duty time	34.3	31.2	43.5
Living conditions within Army quarters	4.2	4.2	4.0
Individual privacy	3.9	3.6	4.7
Treatment by superiors	3.4	3.2	3.8
Personal freedom	6.8	6.8	6.7
Opportunity to exercise personal initiative	12.3	14.1	7.5
Importance of job	16.4	17.9	12.2
Inspections	.8	.6	1.3
Traditions of the Army (Parades, Reveille, Retreat, etc.)	1.7	1.7	1.5
Wearing a uniform	4.0	4.0	4.0
Pride in unit	<u>12.2</u>	<u>12.7</u>	<u>10.8</u>
Total	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%

PART II
LEAST FAVORABLE FEATURE OF ARMY LIFE

TABLE A
ENLISTED MEN BY GRADE

Least Favorable Feature of Army Life	Grade									
	<u>E1</u>	<u>E2</u>	<u>E3</u>	<u>E4</u>	<u>E5</u>	<u>E6</u>	<u>E7</u>	<u>E8</u>	<u>E9</u>	
Amount of off duty time	7.7	17.7	9.4	6.5	5.5	6.0	6.8	8.6	12.3	15.0
Living conditions within Army quarters	17.3	11.3	14.9	15.4	15.2	17.1	24.2	27.7	25.8	28.4
Individual privacy	10.7	15.0	13.5	12.3	9.6	9.3	8.8	10.3	9.2	15.0
Treatment by superiors	13.0	11.4	13.7	13.7	15.1	13.9	10.6	6.8	6.5	8.0
Personal freedom	14.4	15.7	17.7	15.8	18.3	14.2	6.9	4.5	5.0	3.5
Opportunity to exercise personal initiative	5.5	3.7	5.9	5.6	5.4	6.5	5.4	4.5	5.4	5.3
Importance of job	1.9	2.0	1.0	1.7	2.4	2.3	1.5	1.5	1.5	.9
Inspections	15.1	10.8	13.4	16.1	14.8	15.1	17.4	17.6	17.3	18.6
Traditions of the Army (Parades, Reveille, Retreat, etc)	10.7	7.3	6.7	8.9	9.3	12.2	15.4	16.8	15.8	4.4
Wearing uniform	2.5	2.9	2.6	3.3	3.2	2.4	1.3	.9	.4	.9
Pride in unit	<u>1.2</u>	<u>2.2</u>	<u>1.2</u>	<u>.7</u>	<u>1.2</u>	<u>1.0</u>	<u>1.7</u>	<u>.8</u>	<u>.8</u>	<u>--</u>
Total	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%

TABLE B
ENLISTED MEN BY COMPONENT

	<u>Total</u>	<u>Component</u>	
		<u>RA</u>	<u>OTRA</u>
<u>Least Favorable Feature of Army Life</u>			
Amount of off duty time	7.7	7.5	8.1
Living conditions within Army Quarters	17.3	18.3	14.6
Individual privacy	10.7	10.0	12.5
Treatment by superiors	13.0	13.1	12.6
Personal freedom	14.4	12.6	19.0
Opportunity to exercise personal initiative	5.5	5.5	5.6
Importance of job	1.9	2.0	1.9
Inspections	15.1	16.5	11.5
Traditions of the Army (Parades, Reveille, Retreat, etc)	10.7	11.0	9.9
Wearing uniform	2.5	2.4	2.9
Pride in unit	<u>1.2</u>	<u>1.1</u>	<u>1.4</u>
Total	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%

PART III
MOST FAVORABLE FEATURE OF AN ARMY CAREER

TABLE B

ENLISTED MEN BY COMPONENT

Most Favorable Feature of an Army Career	Total	By Component	
		RA	OTRA
Pay and allowances	13.1	13.6	11.5
Adventure, travel and new experiences	16.5	16.6	16.4
Opportunities for spec- ialized training and education	16.6	16.7	16.3
The retirement system	24.4	25.5	21.9
Medical and dental care	12.3	11.9	13.3
My Army job	3.4	3.5	2.9
The promotion system	.9	.8	1.0
PX's, commissary and other fringe benefits	8.2	7.3	10.5
Housing	.4	.4	.4
Social status	.4	.3	.6
Family and social life	.5	.6	.5
The permanent change of station (PCS) system	.8	.7	1.1
Civilian attitude towards members of the Army	2.5	2.1	3.6
Total	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%

PART IV
LEAST FAVORABLE FEATURE OF AN ARMY CAREER

TABLE B
ENLISTED MEN BY COMPONENT

Least Favorable Feature of an Army Career	Total	Component	
		RA	OTRA
Pay and allowances	23.8	22.2	27.5
Adventure, travel and new experiences	3.5	3.2	4.1
Opportunities for specialized training	2.2	2.0	2.8
The retirement system	1.6	1.6	1.7
Medical and dental care	1.3	1.4	1.1
My Army job	7.0	6.7	9.3
The promotion system	9.3	10.2	7.0
PX's, commissary, and other fringe benefits	1.5	1.6	1.3
Housing	4.2	4.7	3.0
Social status	6.9	6.9	7.0
Family and social life	7.2	6.0	10.2
The permanent change of station (PCS) system	10.3	11.8	6.5
Civilian attitude toward member of the Army Total	<u>21.2</u> 100.0%	<u>22.2</u> 100.0%	<u>18.5</u> 100.0%