

Which FAFSA® questions refer to which time frames?

Info Supplied on FAFSA	2015 Tax Year	As of Today ("today" = the day you sign the FAFSA®)	Other
Basic personal info (name, address, citizenship, state of residence, etc)		X	
Marital status		X	
Dependency status (you may be asked several questions to determine whether you need to report parent info on your FAFSA)			Time frame indicated in each question
Tax return completion status	X (refers to 2015 return; status is as of "today")	X (refers to 2015 return; status is as of "today")	
Which IRS tax return filed	X		
Tax filing status (single, married filing jointly, etc)	X		
Adjusted gross income	X		
Income tax	X		
Tax exemptions	X		
How much earned from working	X		
Balance of cash, savings, and checking		X	
Net worth of investments and businesses		X	
Additional financial information (education credits, child support paid, etc)	X		
Untaxed income and other money received, or paid on your (student's) behalf	X		
Number of people in household		X (but read instructions carefully for exceptions!)	Mostly "as of today," but read instructions for exceptions
Number of household members in college			2017–18 school year
Means-tested benefits (Medicaid, SSI, SNAP, TANF, WIC, etc)			2015 or 2016 calendar year
Dislocated worker		X	