

National Survey of Children's Health

A study by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services to better understand the health issues faced by children in the United States today.



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Start Here	DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, has this child had FREQUENT or CHRONIC difficulty with any of the
Decembly you completed a current that calcad about the	following? Yes No
Recently, you completed a survey that asked about the children usually living or staying at this address. Thank you for taking the time to complete that survey.	a. Breathing or other respiratory problems (such as wheezing or shortness of breath)
We now have some follow-up questions to ask about:	b. Eating or swallowing because of a health condition
	c. Digesting food, including stomach/intestinal problems, constipation, or diarrhea
If the name listed above is not correct or does not correspond to a child living in this household, please call 1-800-845-8241 for assistance.	d. Repeated or chronic physical pain, including headaches or other back or body pain
We have selected only one child per household in an effort to minimize the amount of time you will need to complete the follow-up questions.	e. Toothaches
	f. Bleeding gums
The survey should be completed by a parent or adult caregiver who lives in this household and who is familiar with this child's health and health care.	g. Decayed teeth or cavities
Variable additional to the second of The second	A4 Does this child have any of the following?
Your participation is important. Thank you.	a. Serious difficulty concentrating, remembering, or making decisions because of a physical, mental, or emotional condition
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A. This Child's Health	b. Serious difficulty walking or climbing stairs
In general, how would you describe this child's health	
(the one named above)?	d. Difficulty doing errands alone, such as visiting a doctor's office or shopping, because of a physical,
	mental, or emotional condition
☐ Good	e. Deafness or problems with hearing f. Blindness or problems with seeing,
☐ Fair	even when wearing glasses Has a doctor or other health care provider EVER told
Poor	you that this child has
	A5 Allergies (including food, drug, insect, or other)?
How would you describe the condition of this child's	☐ Yes ☐ No
teeth?	If yes, does this child CURRENTLY have the condition?
☐ Very good	☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ No ☐ If yes, is it:
Good	☐ Mild ☐ Moderate ☐ Severe
☐ Fair	A6 Arthritis?
Poor	☐ Yes ☐ No
	☐ If yes, does this child CURRENTLY have the condition?
	☐ Yes ☐ No
	→ If yes, is it:
	☐ Mild ☐ Moderate ☐ Severe



	Has a doctor or other health care provider EVER told	Has a doctor or other health care provider EVER told
A7	you that this child has Asthma?	you that this child has 12 Frequent or severe headaches, including migraine?
۳	☐ Yes ☐ No	Yes No
	☐ If yes, does this child CURRENTLY have the condition?	
	☐ Yes ☐ No	☐ Yes ☐ No
	→ If yes, is it:	→ If yes, is it:
	☐ Mild ☐ Moderate ☐ Severe	☐ Mild ☐ Moderate ☐ Severe
A8	Cerebral Palsy?	Tourette Syndrome?
	□ Yes □ No	☐ Yes ☐ No
	If yes, does this child CURRENTLY have the condition?	☐ If yes, does this child CURRENTLY have the condition?
	☐ Yes ☐ No	☐ Yes ☐ No
	→ If yes, is it:	☐ If yes, is it:
	☐ Mild ☐ Moderate ☐ Severe	Mild Moderate Severe
A9	Diabetes?	14 Anxiety Problems?
	□ Yes □ No	☐ Yes No
		If yes, does this child CURRENTLY have the condition?
	☐ Yes ☐ No	Yes 🗆 No
	→ If yes, is it:	→ If yes, is it:
	☐ Mild ☐ Moderate ☐ Severe	☐ Mild ☐ Moderate ☐ Severe
A10	Epilepsy or Seizure Disorder?	15 Depression?
Ī	☐ Yes ☐ No	☐ Yes ☐ No
	If yes, does this child CURRENTLY have the condition?	
	☐ Yes ☐ No	☐ Yes ☐ No
	→ If yes, is it:	☐ If yes, is it:
	☐ Mild ☐ Moderate ☐ Severe	☐ Mild ☐ Moderate ☐ Severe
A11	Heart Condition?	16 Down Syndrome?
	☐ Yes ☐ No	☐ Yes ☐ No
	☐ If yes, was this child born with the condition?	
	☐ Yes ☐ No	
	Does this child CURRENTLY have the condition?	
	☐ Yes ☐ No	
	→ If yes, is it:	
	☐ Mild ☐ Moderate ☐ Severe	

		Has a doctor or other health care provider EVER told you that this child has	Has a doctor, other health care provider, or educator EVER told you that this child has Examples of educators are teachers and school nurses.						
Α.	D	Blood Disorders (such as Sickle Cell Disease, Thalassemia, or Hemophilia)?	Behavioral or Conduct Problems?						
		☐ Yes ☐ No	☐ Yes ☐ No						
		→ If yes, is it:	☐ If yes, does this child CURRENTLY have the						
		☐ Mild ☐ Moderate ☐ Severe	condition?						
		Was this child diagnosed with:	☐ Yes ☐ No						
		Sickle Cell Disease?	→ If yes, is it:						
		Thalassemia?	☐ Mild ☐ Moderate ☐ Severe						
		A	Developmental Delay?						
		Hemophilia?	☐ Yes ☐ No						
		Other Blood Disorders? Yes No	If yes, does this child CURRENTLY have the condition?						
		Were any of these blood disorders identified through a blood test done shortly after birth?	☐ Yes ☐ (No						
		These tests are sometimes called newborn screening.	☐ If yes, is,it:						
		Yes No	☐ Moderate ☐ Severe						
Α'	18	Cystic Fibrosis?	Intellectual Dischility (formerly known as Montal						
		□ Yes □ No	Intellectual Disability (formerly known as Mental Retardation)?						
		→ If yes, is it:	☐ Yes ☐ No						
		☐ Mild ☐ Moderate ☐ Severe	f yes, does this child CURRENTLY have the						
		Was this condition identified through a blood test done shortly after birth? These tests are	disability?						
		sometimes called newborn screening.	Yes No						
		Yes No	→ If yes, is it:						
A ·	19	Other genetic or inherited condition?	☐ Mild ☐ Moderate ☐ Severe						
Ī		☐ Yes ☐ No	Speech or other language disorder?						
		→ If yes, specify: ✓	☐ Yes ☐ No						
			If yes, does this child CURRENTLY have the condition?						
		ls it:	☐ Yes ☐ No						
		☐ Mild ☐ Moderate ☐ Severe	☐ If yes, is it:						
		Was this condition identified through a blood test done shortly after birth? These tests are sometimes called newborn screening.	☐ Mild ☐ Moderate ☐ Severe						
			Learning Disability?						
			☐ Yes ☐ No						
			If yes, does this child CURRENTLY have the disability?						
			☐ Yes ☐ No						
			☐ If yes, is it:						
			☐ Mild ☐ Moderate ☐ Severe						
			I wind I winderate I Severe						



A2	Has a doctor or other health care provider EVER told you that this child has Autism or Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD)? Include diagnoses of Asperger's Disorder or Pervasive Developmental Disorder (PDD).	Has a doctor or other health care provider EVER told you that this child has Attention Deficit Disorder or Attention Deficit/Hyperactivity Disorder, that is, ADD or ADHD?
١	☐ Yes ☐ No → SKIP to question A30	☐ Yes ☐ No → SKIP to question A33
	If yes, does this child CURRENTLY have the condition?	If yes, does this child CURRENTLY have the condition?
١	☐ Yes ☐ No	☐ Yes ☐ No
١	☐ If yes, is it:	☐ If yes, is it:
١	☐ Mild ☐ Moderate ☐ Severe	☐ Mild ☐ Moderate ☐ Severe
A2	How old was this child when a doctor or other health care provider FIRST told you that they had Autism, ASD, Asperger's Disorder or PDD?	Is this child CURRENTLY taking medication for ADD or ADHD? Yes No
	Age in years Don't know	At any time DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, did this child receive behavioral treatment for ADD or ADHD,
A2	What type of doctor or other health care provider was the FIRST to tell you that this child had Autism, ASD, Asperger's Disorder or PDD? Mark (X) ONE box.	such as training or an intervention that you or this child received to help with their behavior? Yes
	☐ Primary Care Provider	Do you think this child has EVER had a concussion or brain injury A concussion or brain injury is when a blow or jolt to the head causes problems such as headaches,
	Specialist	dizziness, being dazed or confused, difficulty remembering or concentrating, vomiting, blurred vision, changes in mood
١	School Psychologist/Counselor	or beliavior, or being knocked out.
١	Other Psychologist (Non-School)	Yes No
١	Psychiatrist	If yes, did you seek medical care from a doctor or other health care provider?
١	☐ Other, specify: ✓	☐ Yes ☐ No
		If yes, did a doctor or other health care provider tell you that your child had a concussion or brain injury?
	□ Don't know	☐ Yes ☐ No
A2		DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, how often have this child's health conditions or problems affected their ability to do things other children their age do?
	☐ Yes ☐ No	This child does not have any health conditions → SKIP to question B1 on page 6
A2		Never
	child receive behavioral treatment for Autism, ASD, Asperger's Disorder or PDD, such as training or an intervention that you or this child received to help	Sometimes
١	with their behavior?	Usually
	☐ Yes ☐ No	☐ Always
		To what extent do this child's health conditions or problems affect their ability to do things?
		☐ Very little
		Somewhat
		☐ A great deal



В	D. This Child as all illiant	Thinking about the LAST TIME you took this child for a PREVENTIVE check-up, about how long was the doctor or health care provider who examined this child in the room with you? Your best estimate is fine.
٦	due date?	Less than 10 minutes
١	Yes	
١	□ No	10-20 minutes
B:	What month and year was this child born?	☐ More than 20 minutes
٦	Birth Month / 4-Digit Birth Year	5 What is this child's CURRENT height?
	/ 20	Your best estimate is fine. feet AND inches
B:	How much did they weigh when born? Answer in pounds and ounces OR kilograms and grams. Your best estimate is fine.	OR
	pounds AND ounces	meters AND centimeters
١	OR	How much does this child CURRENTLY weigh? Your best estimate is fine.
	kilograms AND grams	pounds
B4	What was the age of the mother when this child was born? Your best estimate is fine.	OR
	Age in years	kilograms
	C. Health Care Services	Are you concerned about this child's weight? Yes, it's too high
C	DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, did this child see a	Yes, it's too low
	doctor, nurse, or other health care professional for sick-child care, well-child check-ups, physical exams, hospitalizations or any other kind of medical care? Include health care visits done by video or phone.	□ No, I am not concerned
		Has a doctor or other health care provider ever told you that this child is overweight?
١	No → SKIP to question C5	Yes
C	have a chance to speak with a doctor or other health	□ No
	care provider privately, without you or another caregiver in the room?	Is there a place you or another caregiver USUALLY take this child when they are sick or you need advice about their health?
١	Yes	
١	□ No	☐ Yes
G	DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, how many times did this child visit a doctor, nurse, or other health care professional to receive a PREVENTIVE check-up? A preventive check-up is when this child was not sick or injured, such as an annual or sports physical, or well-child visit.	□ No → SKIP to question C11 on page 7
	□ 0 visits	
	☐ 1 visit	
	2 or more visits	



91			es, where does this child USUALLY go first?	C1 5	den	RING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, did this child see a tist or other oral health care provider for any kind
ı			Doctor's Office			ental or oral health care? k (X) ALL that apply.
ı			Hospital Emergency Room			Yes, saw a dentist
ı			Hospital Outpatient Department			Yes, saw other oral health care provider
ı			Urgent Care Center			No → SKIP to question C18
ı			Clinic or Health Center	C16) If ye	es, DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, did this child
			Retail Store Clinic or "Minute Clinic"	T	PRE	a dentist or other oral health care provider for EVENTIVE dental care, such as check-ups, dental mings, dental sealants, or fluoride treatments?
ı			School (Nurse's Office, Athletic Trainer's Office)			No preventive visits in the past
l			Some other place			12 months → SKIP to question C18
C 1			ere a place that this child USUALLY goes when need routine preventive care, such as a physical		H	Yes, 1 visit
ı			nination or well-child check-up?		Ш	Yes, 2 or more visits
ı			Yes	C17		es, DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, what EVENTIVE dental service(s) did this child receive?
			No → SKIP to question C13			k (X) ALL that apoly.
91			s, is this the same place this child goes when they sick?			Check-up
ı			Yes			Cleaning
ı			No		Z	Instruction on tooth brushing and oral health care
21					D	X-Rays
1	e	eye	on screening from a care provider other than an doctor? The screening could have occurred at a	*		Fluoride treatment
ı	C	cent	atrician's office, in a school, preschool/child care er, or a community setting, using pictures, shapes rs, or a camera like tool.			Sealant (plastic coatings on back teeth)
ı	,		Yes No			Don't know
ı		L	If yes, was it recommended that this child see an	C18		RING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, has this child
l			eye doctor or other eye care provider for an eye examination or additional vision services as a result of the vision screening? An eye doctor may be referred to as an optometrist or ophthalmologist.		hea psyc	eived any treatment or counseling from a mental lth professional? Mental health professionals include chiatrists, psychologists, psychiatric nurses, and clinical al workers.
ı			☐ Yes ☐ No			Yes
31	e	eye	RING THE PAST 2 YEARS, has this child seen an doctor? An eye doctor may be referred to as an metrist or ophthalmologist.			No, but this child needed to see a mental health professional
			Yes No			No, this child did not need to see a mental health professional → SKIP to question (20)
		4	If yes, what care has this child received from the eye doctor?		\ µ	on page 8
			Mark (X) ALL that apply.	C19		difficult was it to get the mental health treatment ounseling that this child needed?
			Received eye examination			Not difficult
			Prescribed eyeglasses or contact lenses			Somewhat difficult
			Diagnosis of a vision disorder other than nearsighted, farsighted, or astigmatism			Very difficult
			□ Some other care			It was not possible to obtain care



C20	DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, has this child taken any medication because of difficulties with their emotions, concentration, or behavior?	C	Did any of the following reasons contribute to this child not receiving needed health services? Mark (X) Yes or No for EACH item.
	Yes		a. This child was not eligible for the
			services
	No		b. The services this child needed were not available in your area
C21	DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, did this child see a specialist other than a mental health professional? Specialists are doctors like surgeons, heart doctors, allergy doctors, skin doctors, and others who specialize in one area of health care.		c. There were problems getting an appointment when this child needed one
	Yes		d. There were problems with getting transportation or child care
	No, but this child needed to see a specialist		e. The clinic or doctor's office wasn't open when this child needed care
	No, this child did not need to		f. There were issues related to cost
	see a specialist → SKIP to question C23	C	DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, how often were you
C22	How difficult was it to get the specialist care that this child needed?		frustrated in your efforts to get services for this child?
	□ Not difficult		Never
	Somewhat difficult		Sometimes
	☐ Very difficult		Usually
	☐ It was not possible to obtain care		☐ Always
C28	DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, did this child use any type of alternative health care or treatment? Alternative health care can include acupuncture, chiropractic care, relaxation therapies, herbal supplements, and others. Some therapies involve seeing a health care provider, while others can be done on your own. Yes	C	DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, how many times did this child visit a hospital emergency room? None 1 time 2 or more times
C24		C	DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, was this child admitted to the hospital to stay for at least one night? — Yes
	Yes		□ No
C25	No → SKIP to question If yes, which types of care were not received? Mark (X) ALL that apply.	C	Has this child EVER had a special education or early intervention plan? Children receiving these services often have an Individualized Family Service Plan (IFSP) or Individualized Education Plan (IEP).
	☐ Medical Care		Yes
	☐ Dental Care		
	☐ Vision Care		No → SKIP to question C33 on page 9
	☐ Hearing Care	C	If yes, how old was this child at the time of the FIRST plan?
	☐ Mental Health Services		years AND months
	Other, specify:		yours AND IIIOIIIIIS



CE	one of these plans?	Answer the following questions only if this child had a health care visit IN THE PAST 12 MONTHS. Otherwise skip to question 013 on page 10.					
1	Yes	DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, how often did this child's doctors or other health care providers					
1	No	Always Usually Sometimes Never					
C3		a. Spend enough time					
١	meet their developmental needs such as speech, occupational, or behavioral therapy?	b. Listen carefully to					
١	Yes	c. Show sensitivity to your family's values					
	No → SKIP to question D1	and customs?					
C3	If yes, how old was this child when they began receiving these special services?	d. Provide the specific information you needed concerning this child?					
	years AND months	e. Help you feel like a partner in this child's care?					
C3	Is this child CURRENTLY receiving these special services?						
1	Yes	D5 DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, did this child need any decisions to be made regarding their health care,					
	No	such as whether to get prescriptions, referrals, or procedures?					
	D. Experience with This Child's Health Care	Yes SKIP to question D7					
١	Providers	be f yes, DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, how often did this child's doctors or other health care providers					
Dí	Do you have one or more persons you think of as	Always Usually Sometimes Never					
	this child's personal doctor or nurse? A personal doctor or nurse is a health professional who knows this child well and is familiar with this child's health history.	a. Discuss with you the range of options to consider for their health					
١	This can be a general doctor, a pediatrician, a specialist doctor, a nurse practitioner, or a physician assistant.	care or treatment? b. Make it easy for you					
١	☐ Yes, one person	to raise concerns or disagree with					
١	Yes, more than one person	recommendations for this child's health care?					
	No	c. Work with you to					
D2	DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, did this child need a referral to see any doctors or receive any services?	decide together which health care and treatment choices would					
-1		be best for this child?					
-1	Yes						
	YesNo → SKIP to question □	DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, did anyone help you arrange or coordinate this child's care among the					
D	□ No → SKIP to question □4	arrange or coordinate this child's care among the different doctors or services that this child uses?					
D	□ No → SKIP to question □4	arrange or coordinate this child's care among the					
D	No → SKIP to question D4 How difficult was it to get referrals?	arrange or coordinate this child's care among the different doctors or services that this child uses? Yes No					
D	 No → SKIP to question How difficult was it to get referrals? Not difficult 	arrange or coordinate this child's care among the different doctors or services that this child uses? ☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Did not see more than one health care provider in the PAST 12 MONTHS → SKIP to question [51]					
D	 No → SKIP to question D4 How difficult was it to get referrals? Not difficult Somewhat difficult 	arrange or coordinate this child's care among the different doctors or services that this child uses? Yes No Did not see more than one health care provider in					



D	8	DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, have you felt that you could have used extra help arranging or coordinating this child's care among the different health care providers or services?	014	will	s, have they talked with you abou need to see doctors or other heal treat adults?			
١					Yes			
١		Yes			No			
١		No → SKIP to question D10	\perp					
			D15		this child's doctor or other health vely worked with this child to:	care	provid	ler
D	9)	If yes, DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, how often did you get as much help as you wanted with				Yes	No	Don't know
١		arranging or coordinating this child's health care?			Make positive choices about			
١		Usually		е	heir health. For example, by eating healthy, getting regular			
١		Sometimes			xercise, not using tobacco, Icohol or other drugs, or			
١		Sometimes			lelaying sexual activity?			
١		Never			Gain skills to manage their ealth and health care. For exam-			
D1	0	DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, how satisfied were		р	le, by understanding current			
		you with the communication between this child's doctors and other health care providers?		it	realth needs, knowing what to do not a medical emergency or taking medications they may need?			
		☐ Very satisfied		c. L	Inderstand the changes in lealth care that happen at			
١		☐ Somewhat satisfied		а	ge 18. For example, by inderstanding changes in privacy,			
		Somewhat dissatisfied		С	onsent, access to information, or lecision-making?			
١		☐ Very dissatisfied	D16	bid	you and this child receive a sumn	narv of	f vour	
		DUDING THE DAGE 40 MONTHS IN 14 TO 15 THE LANGE		chile	s medical history (for example, r gies, medications, immunizations	nedica		litions,
D1	ע	DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, did this child's health care provider communicate with the child's school, child)) allei) :		
١		care provider, or special education program?			Yes			
		Yes			No			
		No → SKIP to question D13 Did not need health care	o		e this child's doctors or other hea			
١		provider to communicate			eet their health goals and needs?			
١		with these providers → SKIP to question D13			Yes			
ÐΊ	2	If yes, during this time, how satisfied were you with the health care provider's communication with the school,			No → SKIP to question D20 on pa	age 11		
١		child care provider, or special education program?	D18	lf ve	s, do you and this child have acc	ess to	this n	lan of
١		☐ Very satisfied	4	care			0 p	
		Somewhat satisfied			Yes			
		Somewhat dissatisfied			No			
		☐ Very dissatisfied	D19		s this plan of care address transit			rs and
D1	3	Do any of this child's doctors or other health care		otne	r health care providers who treat	aduits	ſ	
		providers treat only children?			Yes			
		Yes			No			
		No → SKIP to question D15			No, child already sees providers when the second sees providers when the second sees are seen as the second sees are seed as the second sees are seen as the second second sees are seen as the second second second second sees are second seco	no trea	t adults	S



D2	Eligibility for health insurance often changes in young adulthood. Do you know how this child will be insured as they become an adult?	Is this child CURRENTLY covered by any of the follow types of health insurance or health coverage plans? Mark (X) Yes or No for EACH item.	ving
1		Yes N	0
1	Yes → SKIP to question E1	a. Insurance through a current or former employer or union	
20	□ No	b. Insurance purchased directly from an insurance company	
D2	If no, has anyone discussed with you how to obtain or keep some type of health insurance coverage as this child becomes an adult?	c. Medicaid, Medical Assistance, or any kind of government assistance plan for those with	
1	Yes	low incomes or a disability	
	□ No	d. TRICARE or other military health care	
1		e. Indian Health Service	
	E. This Child's Health Insurance Coverage	f. Other, specify: □	
	modrance coverage		
E	DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, was this child EVER covered by ANY kind of health insurance or health coverage plan?	How often does this child's health insurance offer benefits or cover services that meet this child's needs	s?
	Yes, this child was covered all 12 months → SKIP to question E4	Always	
1	Yes, but this child had a gap in coverage	Usually	
	No	Sometimes	
E		Never	
1	child was not covered by health insurance at any time DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS:	How often does this shild's hoolth incomes allow	
1	a. Change in employer or employment	How often does this child's health insurance allow them to see the health care providers they need?	
1	status	⇒	
	b. Cancellation due to overdue premiums	Usually	
	c. Dropped coverage because it was unaffordable	Sometimes	
	d. Dropped coverage because benefits were inadequate	Never	
	e. Dropped coverage because choice of health care providers was inadequate	Thinking specifically about this child's mental or behavioral health needs, how often does this child's	
	f. Problems with application or renewal process	health insurance offer benefits or cover services that meet these needs?	
	g. Other, specify: \nearrow	Always	
		☐ Usually	
	Is this shill OURDENED V	Sometimes	
E	Is this child CURRENTLY covered by ANY kind of health insurance or health coverage plan?	Never	
	Yes	This child does not use mental or behavioral health services	
	No → SKIP to question F1 on page 12		
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		F. Providing for T Child's Health	his		IN AN AVERAGE WEEK, how many hours do you or other family members spend providing health care at home for this child? Care might include changing bandages, or giving medication and therapies when needed.
	Sav	uding co-pays and amounts reimburseings Accounts (HSA) and Flexible Spe	nding Accounts		This child does not need health care provided at home on a weekly basis
ı	med	A), how much money did you pay for t lical, health, dental, and vision care DU T 12 MONTHS? Do not include health in	JRING THE		Less than 1 hour per week
ı	pren	niums or costs that were or will be reimborance or another source.			1-4 hours per week
ı		\$0 (No medical or health-related expenses) → SKIP to question F4			5-10 hours per week
ı		\$1-\$249			11 or more hours per week
ı		\$250-\$499		-6	IN AN AVERAGE WEEK, how many hours do you or other family members spend arranging or coordinating
ı		\$500-\$999			health or medical care for this child, such as making appointments or locating services?
ı		\$1,000-\$5,000			This child does not need health care coordinated on a weekly basis
ı		More than \$5,000			Less than 1 hour per week
Ø	How	often are these costs reasonable?			1-4 hours per week
ı		Always			5-10 hours per week
ı		Usually			1) or more hours per week
ı	Sometimes			5	S. This Child's Schooling
	Ш	Never		$\bigcirc\!$	and Activities
R	prol	RING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, did your blems paying for any of this child's me th care bills?			DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, about how many days did this child miss school because of illness or injury? Include days missed from any formal home schooling.
ı		Yes	Mr.		No missed school days
ı		No	◇		☐ 1-3 days
F	DUF fam	RING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, have you	ı or other		4-6 days
ı	a . l	eft a job or taken a leave of	Yes No		7-10 days
ı		absence because of this child's nealth or health conditions?			11 or more days
ı	ŀ	Cut down on the hours you work because of this child's health or lealth conditions?		52	DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, how many times has
	(Avoided changing jobs because of concerns about maintaining health nsurance for this child?			this child's school contacted you or another adult in your household about any problems they are having with school?
					None
					1 time
					2 or more times
J					



G	3	SINCE STARTING KINDERGARTEN, has this child repeated any grades?	ı G	l:	hilo f the	ING THE PAST 12 I I bullied, picked on a frequency changed est frequency.	, or exc	luded by	other child	dren?
		□ No				Never (in the past 1	2 month	ns)		
G		DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, how often did yo				1-2 times (in the par	st 12 m	onths)		
		attend events or activities that this child participa	itea in?			1-2 times per month	ı			
		Always				1-2 times per week				
		Usually				Almost every day				
		Sometimes	G			ING THE PAST 12 I				
		Rarely		1	f the	I bully others, pick frequency changed				
		Never		r	nigne	est frequency.	0 41	>		
G	5	DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, did this child participate in				Never (in the past 1	\mathcal{J}	·		
		a. A sports team or did they take sports lessons after school or on weekends?	No			1-2 times (in the pa	Ť	onths)		
		b. Any clubs or organizations after school or on weekends?				1-2 times per week				
		c. Any other organized activities or lessons, such as music, dance, language, or other arts?	G	0 F	low	Almost every day often does this ch	ild Always	Uleually	Sometimes	Never
		d. Any type of community service or volunteer work at school, place of worship, or in the community?			С	show interest and uriosity in learning ew things?				
		e. Any paid work, including regular jobs as well as babysitting, cutting grass, or other occasional work?			tŀ	Vork to finish tasks ney start?				
G	6	DURING THE PAST WEEK, on how many days did this child exercise, play a sport, or participate in	d	C	С	tay calm and in ontrol when faced with a challenge?				
		physical activity for at least 60 minutes?		C		Care about doing vell in school?				
		0 days		e		o all required omework?				
		1-3 days		f	. ^	rgue too much?				
		4-6 days				II. Abaut	Vo		l This	
		Every day				H. About	You Chil		inis	
G		Compared to other children their age, how much difficulty does this child have making or keeping friends?	H) v	Vas	this child born in t			s?	
		□ No difficulty				Yes → SKIP to que	stion	on pa	ge 14	
		A little difficulty			Ш	No				
		☐ A lot of difficulty	Н			, how long has this ed States?	child b	oeen livir	g in the	
						years AND	00	month	s	

Œ	How many times has this child moved to a new address since they were born?			well do you think you are handli ands of raising children?	ng the day-t	o-day
١	Number of times			Very well		
				Somewhat well		
H	How often does this child go to bed at about the same time on weeknights?			Not very well		
ı	Always			Not well at all		
١	Usually	19	DUR	RING THE PAST MONTH, how often	_	
	Sometimes		a. 1	Never Rarely Some That this child	times Usually	Always
ı	Rarely		t	s much harder		
	Never			heir age?		
Œ	DURING THE PAST WEEK, how many hours of sleep did this child get on most weeknights?		t t	That this child loes things hat really look to the control of the		
	Less than 6 hours			o lot?		
ı	☐ 6 hours			his child?		
١	7 hours		that	ING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, was you could turn to for day-to-day	there some	one upport
١	8 hours		with	parenting or raising children?		
١	9 hours	(Z)	Ves		
١	10 hours	\bigcirc	Ø	No → SKIP to question 11 on pa	age 15	
	☐ 11 or more hours	11)	If ye	s, did you receive emotional sup	port from	
He	ON MOST WEEKDAYS, about how much time did this				Yes	No
W	child spend in front of a TV, computer, cellphone or		a . S	Spouse or domestic partner?		
١	other electronic device watching programs, playing games, accessing the internet or using social media? Do not include time spent doing schoolwood.		b. (Other family member or close friend	?	
١	Less than 1 hour		c. H	lealth care provider?		
			d. F	Place of worship or religious leader?		
١	☐ 1 hour			Support or advocacy group related o specific health condition?		
	☐ 2 hours			Peer support group?		
١	☐ 3 hours			Counselor or other mental health professional?		
١	4 or more hours		•	Other person, specify: 📈		
Œ						
T	about things that really matter?					
	☐ Very well					
	Somewhat well					
	□ Not very well					
	Not well at all					

	ii 7 toodt 1 odi 1 diiii y diid	At any time DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, e one month, did anyone in your family receive	
ı	Household	Yes	
Œ	DURING THE PAST WEEK, on how many days did all the family members who live in the household eat a meal	a. Cash assistance from a government welfare program?	
	together?	b. Food Stamps or Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) benefits?	
	0 days	c. Free or reduced-cost breakfasts or lunches at school?	
	☐ 4-6 days	d. Benefits from the Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) Program?	
	Every day	In your neighborhood, is/are there Yes	No
١		a. Sidewalks or walking paths?	
12	Does anyone living in your household use cigarettes, cigars, or pipe tobacco?	b. A park or playground?	
	Yes	c. A recreation center, community center, or boys' and gi√s' club?	
	No → SKIP to question 14	d. A library or bookmabile?	
13	If yes, does anyone smoke inside your home?	e. Litter or garbage on the street or sidewalk?	
١	Yes	f. Poorly kept or rundown housing?	
	□ No	g. Wandalism such as broken windows or graffiti?	
Ľ	SINCE THIS CHILD WAS BORN, how often has it been very hard to cover the basics, like food or housing, on your family's income?	to what extent do you agree with these statem about your neighborhood or community? Definitely Somewhat Somew	
ı	Never	agree agree disagr	ee disagreé
	Rarely	a. People in this neighborhood help each other out	
	□ Somewhat often	b. We watch out for each other's	
	☐ Very often	children in this neighborhood	
ĪΞ	Which of these statements best describes your household's ability to afford the food you need DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS?	c. This child is safe in our neighborhood	
	☐ We could always afford to eat good nutritious meals.	d. When we encounter difficulties, we	
	We could always afford enough to eat but not always the kinds of food we should eat.	know where to go for help in our community	
	Sometimes we could not afford enough to eat.	e. This child is safe at school	
	Often we could not afford enough to eat.	Other than you or other adults in your home, i least one other adult in this child's school, nei or community who knows this child well and we can rely on for advice or guidance? Yes	ghborhood,
-1		□ No	



•	The next questions are about events tha happened during this child's life. These happen in any family, but some people runcomfortable with these questions. You any questions you do not want to answer	things can nay feel ı may skip	J. Child's Caregivers About You
1	To the best of your knowledge, has this		How are you related to this child?
1	experienced any of the following?	Yes No	☐ Biological or Adoptive Parent
1	 Parent or guardian divorced or separated 		Step-parent
1	b. Parent or guardian died		Grandparent
1	 c. Parent or guardian served time in jail or prison 		Foster Parent
	d. Saw or heard parents or adults slap, hit, kick, punch one another in the home		Other: Relative
	Was a victim of violence or witnessed violence in their neighborhood		Other: Non-Relative
	f. Lived with anyone who was mentally ill, suicidal, or severely depressed		J2 What is your sex?
1	g. Lived with anyone who had a problem with alcohol or drugs		Female
1	 h. Treated or judged unfairly because of their race or ethnic group 		
1	j. Treated or judged unfairly because of a health condition or disability		J3 What is your age?
1		often are you	Age in years
	likely to do each of the following? All of Most of	Some of	Where were you born?
1	the time the time	the time	
1	a. Talk together about what to do	None of the time	In the United States → SKIP to question on page 17
1	b. Work together to solve our problems		Outside of the United States
1	c. Know we have strengths to draw on		J5 When did you come to live in the United States? Indicate the 4-digit year in which you came to live in the
	d. Stay hopeful even in difficult times		United States.
(1)	DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, has this any health care visits by video or phone	s child had ?	4-Digit Year
1	☐ Yes ☐ No		
	If yes, were any of this child's healt by video or phone because of the c pandemic?	h care visits oronavirus	
	☐ Yes ☐ No		
Œ	DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, did this delay or skip any PREVENTIVE check-up the coronavirus pandemic?		
	Yes		
	No		



J6	com	t is the highest grade or level of school you have pleted? ((X) ONE box.	10	Which of the following best describes your current employment status? Mark (X) ONE box.
		8th grade or less		☐ Employed full-time
		9th-12th grade; No diploma		☐ Employed part-time
		High School Graduate or GED Completed		☐ Working WITHOUT pay
		Completed a vocational, trade, or business school program		☐ Not employed but looking for work
		Some College Credit, but no Degree		□ Not employed and not looking for work
		Associate Degree (AA, AS)	D	U.S. Armed Forces, Reserves, or the National Guard?
		Bachelor's Degree (BA, BS, AB)		Mark (X) ONE box.
		Master's Degree (MA, MS, MSW, MBA)		Never served in the military → SKIP to question
		Doctorate (PhD, EdD) or Professional Degree (MD, DDS, DVM, JD)		Only on active duty for training in the Reserves or National Guard → SKIP to question
J7	Wha	t is your marital status?		Now on active duty
Ĭ		Married		On active duty in the past, but not now
		Not married, but living with a partner	2	Were you deployed at any time during this child's life?
		Never Married		Yes
		Divorced	3	Mo
		Separated	13	Does this child have another parent or adult caregiver who lives in this household?
		Widowed		Yes → Complete questions parent or adult caregiver
J8	In g	eneral, how is your physical health?		No → SKIP to question K1 on page 19
		Excellent		
		Very good		
		Good		
		Fair		
		Poor		
J9	In g	eneral, how is your mental or emotional health?		
Ĭ		Excellent		
		Very good		
		Good		
		Fair		
		Poor		



			Other Parent or Caregiver in the Household	19	care	t is the highest grade or level of school this giver has completed? (X) ONE box.
J1	4	How	is this other caregiver related to this child?			8th grade or less
			Biological or Adoptive Parent			9th-12th grade; No diploma
			Step-parent			High School Graduate or GED Completed
			Grandparent			Completed a vocational, trade, or business school
			Foster Parent		П	program Some College Credit, but no Degree
			Other: Relative			Associate Degree (AA, AS)
			Other: Non-Relative		H	
Ji	5	Wha	t is this caregiver's sex?		H	Bachelor's Degree (BA, BS, AB) Master's Degree (MA, MS, MSW, MBA)
			Male			Doctorate (PhD, EdD) or Professional Degree
			Female		Ш	(MD, DDS, DVM 3D)
Ji	6	Wha	J t is this caregiver's age?	20	Wha	t is this caregiver's marital status?
						Married
			Age in years			Not married, but living with a partner
J1)	Whe	re was this caregiver born?		4	Never Married
			In the United States → SKIP to question J19	1		Divorced
			Outside of the United States			Separated
11	8 1	Whe	n did this caregiver come to live in the United			Widowed
١		State		21	In ge	eneral, how is this caregiver's physical health?
						Excellent
	Į		4-Digit Year			Very good
						Good
						Fair
						Poor
				22	In ge	eneral, how is this caregiver's mental or emotional th?
						Excellent
						Very good
						Good
						Fair
						Poor
1						



J28	current employment status? Mark (X) ONE box.	Income in 2020 Mark (X) the "Yes" box for EACH type of income this child's family received, and give your best estimate of the TOTAL AMOUNT IN THE LAST CALENDAR YEAR. Mark (X) the "No" box to show types of income NOT received.
١	☐ Employed full-time ☐ Employed part-time	a. Wages, salary, commissions, bonuses, or tips for
١	☐ Working WITHOUT pay	all jobs.
١	□ Not employed but looking for work	Yes → \$, .00
١	□ Not employed and not looking for work	in the last calendar year
J24	Has this caregiver ever served on active duty in the U.S. Armed Forces, Reserves, or the National Guard? Mark (X) ONE box.	 b. Self-employment income from own nonfarm businesses or farm business, including proprietorships and partnerships.
١	Never served in the military → SKIP to question K1	Yes → \$,00 Loss No TOTAL AMOUNT
١	Only on active duty for training in the Reserves or National Guard → SKIP to question (K1)	in the last calendar year c. Interest, dividends, net rental income, royalty
١	□ Now on active duty	income, or income from estates and trusts.
١	On active duty in the past, but not now	☐ Yes → \$.00 ☐ Loss
J2E	Was this caregiver deployed at any time during this child's life?	TOTAL AMOUNT in the last calendar year
١	Yes	d. Social Security or Railroad Retirement; retirement, survivor, or disability pensions.
١	□ No	Yes → \$.00
١		No TOTAL AMOUNT in the last calendar year
K 1	How many people are living or staying at this address? Include everyone who usually lives or stays at this address.	e. Supplemental Security Income (SSI); any public assistance or welfare payments from the state or local welfare office.
١	Do NOT include anyone who is living somewhere else for more than two months, such as a college student living away	☐ Yes → \$,
١	or someone in the Armed Forces on deployment.	No TOTAL AMOUNT in the last calendar year
K2	Number of people How many of these people in your household are family	f. Any other sources of income received regularly such as Veterans' (VA) payments, unemployment compensation, child support, or alimony.
T	members? Family is defined as anyone related to this child by blood, marriage, adoption, or through foster care.	☐ Yes → \$.00
١	Number of people	No TOTAL AMOUNT
		in the last calendar year The following question is about your 2020 income. Think about your total combined family income IN THE LAST CALENDAR YEAR for all members of the family. What is that amount before taxes? Include money from jobs, child support, social security, retirement income, unemployment payments, public assistance, and so forth. Also, include income from interest, dividends, net income from businesses, farm or rent, and any other money income received. \$



Mailing Instructions

Thank you for your participation.

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Your answers are important to us and will help researchers, policymakers, and family advocates to better understand the health and health care needs of children in our diverse population.

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