

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
Recently, you completed a survey that asked about the	following? Yes No
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. Using their hands
	f. Coordination or moving around
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. Toothaches
Your participation is important. Thank you.	h. Bleeding gums
	i. Decayed teeth or cavities
	A4 Does this child have any of the following? Yes No
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A. This Child's Health	
In general, how would you describe this child's health (the one named above)?	b Bindness or problems with seeing, even when wearing glasses
Excellent	Has a doctor or other health care provider EVER told you that this child has
☐ Very good	A5 Allergies (such as food, drug, insect, seasonal, or other)?
Good Fair	☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ If yes, does this child CURRENTLY have the
	condition?
Poor	☐ Yes ☐ No
2 How would you describe the condition of this child's	→ If yes, is it:
teeth?	☐ Mild ☐ Moderate ☐ Severe
This child does not have any teeth	A6 Asthma?
Excellent	☐ Yes ☐ No
☐ Very good	If yes, does this child CURRENTLY have the condition?
Good	☐ Yes ☐ No
☐ Fair	→ If yes, is it:
Poor	



	Has a doctor or other health care provider EVER told you that this child has	Has a doctor or other health care provider EVER told you that this child has
A7	Autoimmune disease (such as Type 1 Diabetes, Celiac, or Juvenile Idiopathic Arthritis)?	Frequent or severe headaches, including migraine?
	Yes No	☐ Yes ☐ No
	→ If yes, is it:	
	☐ Mild ☐ Moderate ☐ Severe	☐ Yes ☐ No
A8	Cerebral Palsy?	→ If yes, is it:
Ao	Yes No	☐ Mild ☐ Moderate ☐ Severe
	La reconstruction	Tourette Syndrome?
	☐ Mild ☐ Moderate ☐ Severe	Yes No
A9	Type 2 Diabetes?	
	Yes No	condition?
	☐ If yes, does this child CURRENTLY have the	☐ Yes ☐ No
	condition?	→ If yes, is it:
	☐ Yes ☐ No	Mild Moderate Severe
		14 Anxiety Problems?
	☐ Mild ☐ Moderate ☐ Severe	☐ Yes ☐ No
A10	Epilepsy or Seizure Disorder?	If yes, does this child CURRENTLY have the condition?
	☐ Yes ☐ No	
	If yes, does this child CURRENTLY have the condition?	Yes ☐ No ☐ No ☐ H yes, is it:
	☐ Yes ☐ No	☐ Mild ☐ Moderate ☐ Severe
	→ If yes, is it:	
	☐ Mild ☐ Moderate ☐ Severe	15 Depression?
A11	Heart Condition?	Yes No
۳	☐ Yes ☐ No	
	→ If yes, was this child born with the condition?	☐ Yes ☐ No
	☐ Yes ☐ No No	→ If yes, is it:
	Does this child CURRENTLY have the condition?	☐ Mild ☐ Moderate ☐ Severe
		16 Down Syndrome?
	☐ Yes ☐ No A	Yes No
	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
A 1	7 Blood Disorders (such as Sickle Cell Disease,	Examples of educators are teachers and school nurses. 21 Behavioral or Conduct Problems?
	Thalasseina, of Tiemophina):	Yes No
١	☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ No ☐ His yes, is it:	☐ If yes, does this child CURRENTLY have the
١	☐ Mild ☐ Moderate ☐ Severe	condition?
١	Was this child diagnosed with:	Yes No
١	Sickle Cell Disease?	☐ If yes, is it:
	Thalassemia?	☐ Mild ☐ Moderate ☐ Severe
١	Hemophilia?	Developmental Delay?
١	Other Blood	Yes No
١	Disorders? Were any of these blood disorders identified	☐ If yes, does this child CURRENTLY have the condition?
١	through a blood test done shortly after birth? These tests are sometimes called newborn screening.	☐ Yes ☐ No
١	Yes No	→ If yes, is it:
		☐ Mild ☐ Moderate ☐ Severe
A1		23 Intellectual Disability (formerly known as Mental
١	☐ Yes ☐ No A: → If yes, is it:	Retardation)?
١	☐ Mild ☐ Moderate ☐ Severe	No No
	Was this condition identified through a blood test done shortly after birth? These tests are	f yes, does this child CURRENTLY have the disability?
١	sometimes called newborn screening.	Yes No
	☐ Yes ☐ No	☐ If yes, is it: ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐
A1	9 Any other genetic or inherited condition?	Mild Moderate Severe
١		Speech or other language disorder?
١	→ If yes, specify: ✓	☐ Yes ☐ No
١		If yes, does this child CURRENTLY have the condition?
١	Is it:	☐ Yes ☐ No
١	☐ Mild ☐ Moderate ☐ Severe Was this condition identified through a blood	☐ If yes, is it:
١	test done shortly after birth? These tests are sometimes called newborn screening.	☐ Mild ☐ Moderate ☐ Severe
	□ Ma	25 Learning Disability?
A2		☐ Yes ☐ No
7	Yes No	If yes, does this child CURRENTLY have the
		disability?
		If yes, is it:
		☐ Mild ☐ Moderate ☐ Severe
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A2	Has a doctor or other health c you that this child has Autism Disorder (ASD)? Include diagno or Pervasive Developmental Disc	or Autism Spectrum oses of Asperger's Disorder	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?	
ı	☐ Yes ☐ No → SKI	P to question A31	☐ Yes ☐ No → SKIP to question A34	
ı	If yes, does this child CU condition?	RRENTLY have the	If yes, does this child CURRENTLY have the condition?	
ı	☐ Yes ☐ No		☐ Yes ☐ No	
ı	☐ If yes, is it:		☐ If yes, is it:	
ı	☐ Mild ☐	Moderate Severe	☐ Mild ☐ Moderate ☐ Severe	
A2	27 How old was this child when a care provider FIRST told you to Asperger's Disorder or PDD?	a doctor or other health	Is this child CURRENTLY taking medication for ADD or ADHD? Yes No	
	Age in years	Don't know	A33 At any time DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, did this child receive behavioral treatment for ADD or ADHD, such as training or an intervention that you or this	
A2	What type of doctor or other he the FIRST to tell you that this Asperger's Disorder or PDD? Mark (X) ONE box.	child had Autism, ASD,	child received to help with their behavior?	
ı	☐ Primary Care Provider	4	brain injury? A concussion or brain injury is when a blow or jolt to the head causes problems such as headaches,	
ı	Specialist		dizziness, being dazed or confused, difficulty remembering or consentrating, vomiting, blurred vision, changes in mood	
ı	☐ School Psychologist/Couns	elor	or behavior, or being knocked out.	
ı	Other Psychologist (Non-So	chool)	Yes No	
ı	Psychiatrist		If yes, did you seek medical care from a doctor or other health care provider?	
ı	Other, specify: 🔀		Yes No	
ı	☐ Don't know		☐ Yes ☐ No	
A2	Is this child CURRENTLY taking ASD, Asperger's Disorder or F	(3) (thousands for Flations,	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	
A3	30 At any time DURING THE PAS child receive behavioral treatm	nent for Autism, ASD,	Never	
ı	Asperger's Disorder or PDD, s intervention that you or this cl		Sometimes	
ı	with their behavior?		☐ Usually	
			Always	
		4	To what extent do this child's health conditions or problems affect their ability to do things?	
			☐ Very little	
			Somewhat	
			☐ A great deal	



	B. This Child as an Infant	How old was this child when they were FIRST fed formula? Your best estimate is fine.
В	Was this child born more than 3 weeks before their due date?	☐ This child has never been fed formula
	Yes	OR At birth
	□ No	OR
B	What month and year was this child born? Birth Month / 4-Digit Birth Year	days
	/ 20	OR weeks
В	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	How old was this child when they were FIRST fed
	OR kilograms AND grams	anything other than breast milk or formula? Include water, juice, cow's milk, sugar water, baby food, or anything else that your child might have been given. Your best estimate is fine.
B4	What was the age of the mother when this child was born? Your best estimate is fine.	This child has never been fed anything other than breast milk or formula
	Age in years	At birth OR
B	Was this child EVER breastfed or fed breast milk?	days
	☐ No → SKIP to question B7	OR
В	If yes, how old was this child when the COMPLETELY stopped breastfeeding or being fed breast milk?	OR weeks
	Your best estimate is fine.	months
	This child is still breastreeding OR	
	OR days	
	weeks	
	OR	
	months	



	C. Health Care Services		nswer the following question only if this child is at ast 9 months old. Otherwise skip to question cs
G	DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, did this child see a 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. Yes	he ou m ou he	URING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, did a doctor or other ealth care provider have you or another caregiver fill ut a questionnaire about observations or concerns you asy have about this child's development, communication, or social behaviors? Sometimes a child's doctor or other ealth care provider will ask a parent to do this at home or turing a child's visit.
	No → SKIP to question C4		Yes No
C	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.		 → If yes, AND this child is 9-23 Months: Did the questionnaire ask about your concerns or observations about:
	U 0 visits		→ If yes, AND this chi(d is 2-5 Years:
	1 visit 2 or more visits		Did the questionnaire ask about your concerns or observations about: Mark (X) ALL that apply.
C	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.		Words and phrases this child uses and understands? How this child behaves and gets along with you and others?
	Less than 10 minutes	ta	there a place you or another caregiver USUALLY ke this child when they are sick or you need advice
	□ 10-20 minutes	al	sout their health?
	☐ More than 20 minutes		Yes
C	4 Are you concerned about this child's weight?		No → SKIP to question c10 on page 8
			yes, where does this child USUALLY go first? ark (X) ONE box.
	Yes, it's too low		Doctor's Office
	No, I am not concerned		Hospital Emergency Room
C			Hospital Outpatient Department
	that this child is overweight?		Urgent Care Center
	Yes		Clinic or Health Center
	□ No		Retail Store Clinic or "Minute Clinic"
C	DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, did this child's doctors or other health care providers ask if you have concerns		School (Nurse's Office, Athletic Trainer's Office)
	about this child's learning, development, or behavior?		Some other place
	Yes		
	□ No		
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C1	Is there a place that this child USUALLY goes when they need routine preventive care, such as a physical examination or well-child check-up?	GI5	If yes, DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, did this child see a dentist or other oral health care provider for PREVENTIVE dental care, such as check-ups, dental cleanings, dental sealants, or fluoride treatments?
-	☐ Yes		No preventive visits in
	□ No → SKIP to question C12		the past 12 months → SKIP to question Yes, 1 visit
C1	If yes, is this the same place this child goes when they are sick?		Yes, 2 or more visits
	Yes	C16	If yes, DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, what PREVENTIVE dental service(s) did this child receive?
	□ No		Mark (X) ALL that apply.
C 1	Has this child EVER received a vision screening from a provider other than an eye doctor? The screening		☐ Check-up
	could have occurred at a pediatrician's office, in a school,		Cleaning
	preschool/child care center, or a community setting, using pictures, shapes, letters, or a camera like tool.		☐ Instruction on tooth brushing and oral health care
	☐ Yes ☐ No		☐ X-Rays
	If yes, was it recommended that this child see an eye doctor or other eye care provider for an eye		Fluoride treatment
	examination or additional vision services as a result of the vision screening? An eye doctor may		Sealant (plastic coatings on back teeth)
	be referred to as an optometrist or ophthalmologist.		□ Don't know
	☐ Yes ☐ No	C17	DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, has this child
C1	.		received any treatment or counseling from a mental health professional? Mental health professionals include psychiatrists, psychologists, psychiatric nurses, and clinical
	☐ Yes ☐ No		Social workers.
	If yes, what care has this child received from the	\	Yes
	eye doctor? Mark (X) ALL that apply.		No, but this child needed to see a mental health professional
	Received eye examination		No, this child did not need to see a mental health professional → SKIP to question €19
	Prescribed eyeglasses or contact lenses Diagnosis of a vision disorder other than	C18	How difficult was it to get the mental health treatment or counseling that this child needed?
	nearsighted, farsighted, or astigmatism		☐ Not difficult
	Some other care		□ Somewhat difficult
C1			☐ Very difficult
	dentist or other oral health care provider for any kind of dental or oral health care? Mark (X) ALL that apply.		☐ It was not possible to obtain care
	Yes, saw a dentist	C19	any medication because of difficulties with their
	Yes, saw other oral health care provider		emotions, concentration, or behavior?
	No → SKIP to question C17		Yes
	_		□ No



C20	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	C25	Did any of the following reasons contribute to this child not receiving needed health services? Mark (X) Yes or No for EACH item.
-	doctors, skin doctors, and others who specialize in one		Yes No
	area of health care. Yes		a. This child was not eligible for the services
			b. The services this child needed were not available in your area
	☐ No, but this child needed to see a specialist		c. There were problems getting an
	No, this child did not need to see a specialist → SKIP to question C22		appointment when this child needed one
C2 ²	How difficult was it to get the specialist care that this child needed?		d. There were problems with getting transportation or child care
	□ Not difficult		e. The clinic or doctor's office wasn't open when this child needed care
	☐ Somewhat difficult		f. There were issues related to cost
	☐ Very difficult	C26	DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, how often were you
-	☐ It was not possible to obtain care		frustrated in your efforts to get services for this child?
			□ Never ◇
C22	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,		Sometimes
	relaxation therapies, herbal supplements, and others. Some therapies involve seeing a health care provider,		Usually
	while others can be done on your own.		Always
	Yes		
	□ No	C27	DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, how many times did this child visit a hospital emergency room?
			Do NOT include visits to urgent care centers.
C2:	DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, was there any time when this child needed health care but it was not received? By health care, we mean medical care as well.) }	None
	as other kinds of care like dental care, vision care, and mental health services.		1 time
	Yes		2-3 times
	□ No → SKIP to question 626		4 or more times
C24	If yes, which types of care were not received? Mark (X) ALL that apply.	C28	DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, was this child admitted to the hospital to stay for at least one night?
	☐ Medical Care		Yes
	☐ Dental Care		□ No
	☐ Vision Care		
	Hearing Care		
	☐ Mental Health Services		
	☐ Other, specify: ☐		

C 2	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). Yes		D. Experie Child's Pro		th C		5
C3	□ No → SKIP to question 632		Do you have one or mochild's personal doctor nurse is a health profess and is familiar with this ca general doctor, a pedianurse practitioner, or a p	or nurse ional who hild's head atrician, a	? A pers knows t th histor specialis	sonal docto this child we ry. This can st doctor, a	r or ell
C3	Is this child CURRENTLY receiving services under one of these plans? Yes		Yes, more than one	e person			
	□ No)2	DURING THE PAST 12 referral to see any doct				
C3	Has this child EVER received special services to meet their developmental needs? Special services can include therapies such as speech, occupational, physical or behavioral or other services received to meet developmental needs.	03	YesNo → SKIP to que:How difficult was it to g		ıls?		
	Yes		☐ Not difficult				
	No → SKIP to question C35	(F	Somewhat difficult				
C3	these special services? years AND months	04	Very difficult It was not possible Answer the following q health care visit IN THE skip to question	uestions E PAST 12	only if to		
	services?		DURING THE PAST 12	MONTHS,	how of		is
	☐ Yes ☐ No		child's doctors or other		-	viders Sometimes	Never
C3			a. Spend enough time with this child?				
G	EVER recommended that this child be evaluated for a Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder? Examples of educators		b. Listen carefully to you?				
	are teachers and school nurses. Yes		c. Show sensitivity to your family's values and customs?				
	□ No □ Don't know		d. Provide the specific information you needed concerning this child?				
C3	Has this child EVER received an evaluation for a Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder?		e. Help you feel like a partner in this child's care?				
	Yes						
	□ No						
	Don't know						

D!	any decisions to be made regarding their health care, such as whether to get prescriptions, referrals, or	01	you w	NG THE PAST 12 MONTHS, how satisfied were ith the communication between this child's rs and other health care providers?
	procedures?			ery satisfied
	Yes			Somewhat satisfied
	No → SKIP to question D7			Somewhat dissatisfied
D	If yes, DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, how often did this child's doctors or other health care providers			/ery dissatisfied
	Always Usually Sometimes Never			·
	a. Discuss with you the range of options to consider for their	D1	care p	NG THE PAST 12 MONTHS, did this child's health provider communicate with the child's school, child provider, or special education program?
	health care or treatment?		□ Y	⁄es
	b. Make it easy for you			No → SKIP to question E1 on page 12
	to raise concerns or disagree with recommendations for this child's health care?		L to	Did not need health care provider to communicate with these providers -> SKIP to question To page 12
	c. Work with you to decide together which health care and treatment choices would be best for this child?	D1	health child	during this time, how satisfied were you with the care provider's communication with the school, care provider, or special education program? Pery satisfied
D	DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, did anyone help you arrange or coordinate this child's care among the different doctors or services that this child uses?		S	Somewhat dissatisfied /ery dissatisfied
	Yes	`		
	No No			
	Did not see more than one health care provider in the PAST 12 MONTHS → SKIP to question			
D	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?			
	Yes			
	No → SKIP to question D10			
D	If yes, DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, how often did you get as much help as you wanted with arranging or coordinating this child's health care?			
	Usually			
	Sometimes			
	Never			



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		E. This Child's House Cover			E4	type	nis child CURRENTLY covered by any es of health insurance or health covered (X) Yes or No for EACH item.		
ı							• •	Yes	No
Ę		JRING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, was th vered by ANY kind of health insuranc					nsurance through a current or ormer employer or union		
١		verage plan?				f	nsurance purchased directly rom an insurance company		
١		Yes, this child was covered all 12 months → SKIP to question	4			(Medicaid, Medical Assistance, or any kind of government		
١		Yes, but this child had a gap in cover	age			ŀ	assistance plan for those with ow incomes or a disability		
١		No					FRICARE or other military nealth care		
B	Ind	dicate whether any of the following is	a reason t	this		e. I	ndian Health Service		
	ch	ild was not covered by health insuran JRING THE PAST 12 MONTHS:	ce at any	time		f. (Other, specify: 📈		
١	a.	Change in employer or employment	Yes	No			<i>A</i>		
١	b.	status Cancellation due to overdue			E5	Ном	often does this child's health insura	nce offe	,
١	c.	premiums Dropped coverage because it was			Y		efits or cover services that meet this		
١	d.	unaffordable Dropped coverage because benefits					Always		
١	e.	were inadequate Dropped coverage because choice					Usually		
		of health care providers was inadequate			(Sometimes		
١	f.	Problems with application or renewal process			E	Hou	often does this child's health insura	nco allo	w thom
١	g.	Other, specify: \nearrow					ee the health care providers they nee		w tileiii
١							Always		
Ē	Is	this child CURRENTLY covered by	ly kind of				Usually		
1	he	alth insurance or health coverage pla	43			H	Sometimes		
١	Ļ	Yes				Ш	Never		
		No → SKIP to question Filon page	e 13		(7)	beh: heal	nking specifically about this child's may avioral health needs, how often does the insurance offer benefits or covers the these needs?	this chil	
١							Always		
							Usually		
							Sometimes		
							Never		
							This child does not use mental or behave health services	avioral	

F. Providing for This

		F. Providing for This Child's Health	F	othe hom	N AVERAGE WEEK, how many hours do you or or family members spend providing health care at the for this child? Care might include changing bandages, wing medication and therapies when needed.
F	1	Including co-pays and amounts reimbursed from Health Savings Accounts (HSA) and Flexible Spending			This child does not need health care provided at home on a weekly basis
		Accounts (FSA), how much money did you pay for this child's medical, health, dental, and vision care			Less than 1 hour per week
		DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS? Do not include health insurance premiums or costs that were or will be reimbursed by insurance or another source.			1-4 hours per week
		\$0 (No medical or health-related			5-10 hours per week
		expenses) → SKIP to question F4			11 or more hours per week
		\$1-\$249	F6	IN A	N AVERAGE WEEK, how many hours do you or
		\$250-\$499 \$500-\$999		heal	r family members spend arranging or coordinating th or medical care for this child, such as making bintments or locating services?
		\$1,000-\$5,000			This child does not need health care coordinated on a weekly basis
		☐ More than \$5,000			Less than 1 hour per week
F	2	How often are these costs reasonable?			1-4 hours per week
`		Always			5-10 hours per week
		Usually			11 or more hours per week
		Sometimes	(
		Never			
F		DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, did your family have problems paying for any of this child's medical or health care bills?			
		☐ Yes			
		□ No			
F		DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, have you or other family members			
		a. Left a job or taken a leave of absence because of this child's health or health conditions?			
		b. Cut down on the hours you work because of this child's health or health conditions?			
		c. Avoided changing jobs because of concerns about maintaining health insurance for this child?			



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	G. This Child's Le	arning	g	G2	ls th	is child 3 years old or older?
	Answer the following question only if the	his child is	at			Yes
	least 1 year old. Otherwise skip to 629 o					No → SKIP to question 629 on page 17
G	Is this child able to do the following Mark (X) Yes or No for EACH item.			G3	Has	this child started school? Include any formal
	a. Say at least one word, such as "hi"	Yes	No			e schooling.
	or "dog"?	Ш	Ш			Yes, preschool
	b. Use 2 words together, such as "car go"?					Yes, kindergarten
	c. Use 3 words together in a sentence, such as, "Mommy come now."?					Yes, first grade
	d. Ask questions like "who," "what,"					No
	"when," "where"? e. Ask questions like "why" and "how"?			G4	sour	often can this child recognize the beginning and of a word? For example, can this child tell you
	f. Tell a story with a beginning,					the word "ball" starts with the "buh" sound?
	middle, and end?				Ш	Always
	g. Understand the meaning of the word "no"?				Ш	Most of the time
	h. Follow a verbal direction without hand gestures, such as "Wash your				Ш	About half the time
	hands."?					Sometimes
	i. Point to things in a book when asked?					Never
	j. Follow 2-step directions, such as "Get your shoes and put them in the basket."?			(5)	start	often can this child come up with words that with the same sound? For example, can this child a up with "sock" and "sun?"
	k. Understand words such as "in,"			`		Always
	"on," and "under"?					Most of the time
						About half the time
						Sometimes
						Never
				G6		often can this child explain things they have seen one so that you know what happened?
						Always
						Most of the time
						About half the time
						Sometimes
						Never



G) i	How som	often can this child write their first name, even if e of the letters aren't quite right or are backwards?		has	often can this child tell which group of objects more? For example, can this child tell you a group even blocks has more than a group of four blocks?
١			Always			Always
١			Most of the time			Most of the time
١			About half the time		П	About half the time
١			Sometimes		П	Sometimes
١			Never			
						Never
G	í	for a	often can this child focus on a task you give them it least a few minutes? For example, can this child is on simple chores?	12	If as cour	ked to count objects, how high can this child nt correctly?
١			Always			This child cannot count
١			Most of the time			Up to five
١			About half the time			Up to ten
١			Sometimes			Up to 20
١			Never			Up to 30 or more
G)	How For e	often can this child read one-digit numbers? example, can this child read the numbers 2 or 8?	13	Abo reco	how many letters of the alphabet can this child enize?
١			Always	1	D	All of them
١			Most of the time	$\downarrow \hspace{-0.1cm})$		Most of them
١			About half the time			About half of them
١			Sometimes			Some of them
١			Never			None of them
G1	- 1	For e	often can this child correctly do simple addition? example, can this child tell you that two blocks and e blocks add to a total of five blocks?			well can this child come up with words that rhyme? example, can this child come up with "cat" and "mat?"
١			Always			This child cannot rhyme
١			Most of the time			Not well
١			About half the time			Somewhat well
١			Sometimes			Very well
١			Never			
١						
ı						

G1		How own	often can this child recognize and name their emotions?	G19	How	often does this child get easily distracted?
١						Always
١			Always			Most of the time
١			Most of the time			About half the time
١			About half the time			Sometimes
١		Ш	Sometimes			Never
١			Never			
G1	6	How to er	often does this child have difficulty when asked not one activity and start a new activity?	G20	How	often does this child show concern when they see ers who are hurt or unhappy?
١			Always		Н	Always
١			Most of the time			Most of the time
١		П	About half the time			About half the time
١			Sometimes			Sometimes
١		П	Never			Never
١			INEVEL		Цаш	often does this child have trouble calming
G1		How	often does this child play well with other children?	G21)	dow	n?
١			Always		A	Always
١			Most of the time	\Rightarrow	B	Most of the time
١			About half the time	*		About half the time
١			Sometimes			Sometimes
١			Never			Never
G1	8	How	often does this child lose their temper?	G22	How their	often does this child have difficulty waiting for turn?
١			Always			Always
١			Most of the time			Most of the time
١			About half the time			About half the time
١			Sometimes			Sometimes
١			Never			
١						Never
١						
١						
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G2	3	How whe	often does this child keep working at a task even in it is hard for them?		low nou	well can this child th?	draw a	face wit	h eyes and	
			Always			This child cannot dr	aw a fac	e with ey	es and mou	uth
			Most of the time			Not well				
			About half the time			Somewhat well				
			Sometimes			Very well				
			Never							
						well can this child y, arms, and legs?	draw a	person	with a head	l,
Gź	4		often does this child share toys or games with r children?			This child cannot dr body, arms, and leg	aw a pe	rson with	a head,	
			Always			Not well				
			Most of the time			Somewhat well	4			
			About half the time			Very well	1			
			Sometimes				~			
			Never			[Always	Usually	Sometimes	Never
G:	15		well can this child bounce a ball for several onds?	á	а	s this child iffectionate and ender with you?				
		5600				oes this child ounce back				
			This child cannot bounce a ball	1	0	uickly when things to not go their way?				
			Not well	Ψ,		Does this child				
			Somewhat well	<u> </u>	s	how interest and uriosity in learning				
		Ш	Very well			new things?				
G	6	How	well can this child draw a circle?	(oes this child mile and laugh?				
		Ш	This child cannot draw a circle							
			Not well							
			Somewhat well							
			Very well							

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			H. About You and This Child	16	Ans 12 N	wer the next question only if this child is LESS THAN MONTHS OLD. Otherwise, SKIP to question (17).
					to s	hich position do you most often lay this baby down leep now?
H	וני	was	this child born in the United States?		Mari	k (X) ONE box.
			Yes → SKIP to question H3			On their side
			No			On their back
Н			o, how long has this child been living in the ed States?			On their stomach
			years AND months	7	drin	RING THE PAST WEEK, how many times did this child k sugary drinks such as soda, fruit drinks, sports ks, or sweet tea? Do not include 100% fruit juice.
	3	Ном	many times has this child moved to a new address			This child did not drink sugary drinks
1			e they were born?			1-3 times during the past week
			Number of times			4-6 times during the past week
						1 time per day
H			often does this child go to bed at about the same on weeknights?			2 times per day
			Always			3 or more times per day
			Usually			NO THE BAOT MEEK Is an arrange died this
			Sometimes		child	RNG THE PAST WEEK, how many times did this deat vegetables? Include any that were fresh, en, or canned. Do not include French fries, fried
			Rarely	\downarrow		toes, or potato chips.
			Never			This child did not eat vegetables
						1-3 times during the past week
H		did 1	HING THE PAST WEEK, how many hours of sleep this child get during an average day count both			4-6 times during the past week
		nigh	ttime sleep and naps)?			1 time per day
			Less than 7 hours			2 times per day
			7 hours			3 or more times per day
			8 hours			
		Ш	9 hours			
			10 hours			
			11 hours			
			12 or more hours			
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H		child	ting the past week, how many times did this deat fruit? Include any that were fresh, frozen, need, or dried. Do not include juice.	H12	child othe	MOST WEEKDAYS, about how much time did this dispend in front of a TV, computer, cellphone or electronic device watching programs, playing es, accessing the internet or using social media?
			This child did not eat fruit			not include time spent doing schoolwork.
			1-3 times during the past week			Less than 1 hour
			4-6 times during the past week			1 hour
			1 time per day			2 hours
			2 times per day			3 hours
			3 or more times per day			4 or more hours
			wer the following questions only if this child is at t 3 years old. Otherwise skip to H12.	H13		RING THE PAST WEEK, how many days did you or er family members read to this child?
	l I	chilo playi or cl	MOST WEEKDAYS, how much time does this d spend playing outdoors? Include time spent ing in your yard or neighborhood, outside at school nild care, in a park, playground or other outdoor eation area. Your best estimate is fine.			0 days 1-3 days 4-6 days
			Less than 1 hour per day			Every day
			1 hour per day			
			2 hours per day	H14	ôt he	THE PAST WEEK, how many days did you or family members tell stories or sing songs to this
			3 hours per day		chik	/
			4 or more hours per day	Ψ		0 days
	h d) N	AN AVERAGE WEEKEND DAY, how much time		H	1-3 days
٦		does	s this child spend playing outdoors? Include time at playing in your yard or neighborhood, in a park,		H	4-6 days
	ŀ	olay	ground or other outdoor recreation area. Your best nate is fine.		Ш	Every day
			Less than 1 hour per day	H15		well do you think you are handling the day-to-day
			1 hour per day		dem	ands of raising children?
			2 hours per day			Very well Somewhat well
			3 hours per day			
			4 or more hours per day		H	Not very well
						Not well at all



H	6	DU	RING THE PAS				_		H19		s this child receive care for at least 10 hours per k from someone other than their parent or guardian?
			That this child is much harder to care for than most children their age?	Never	Rarely	Sometimes			5	This prog	could be a day care center, preschool, Head Start liram, family child care home, nanny, au pair, babysitter elative. Yes No
		b.	That this child does things that really bother you a lot?						H20	the char	RING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, did you or anyone in family have to quit a job, not take a job, or greatly nge your job because of problems with child care this child?
		C.	Angry with this child?								Yes
Hí		tha	RING THE PAS t you could tur h parenting or	rn to fo	r day-to-	day emot					No
			Yes No → SKIP to	o questi	ion H19						
H1	8	If y	es, did you red	ceive en	notional	support	from				
		•	Spaugo or dom	aatia na	rtnor?		Yes	No		(
			Spouse or dom Other family me	-		iond?			(
			Health care pro		i ciose ii	lena :					
			Place of worshi		gious lea	der?					
		e.	Support or advo			ed					
		f.	Peer support gr	roup?							
		g.	Counselor or ot professional?	ther mer	ntal healt						
		h.	Other person, s	specify:		•					



	I. About Your Family and Household	Which of these statements best describes your household's ability to afford the food you need DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS?
Q	DURING THE PAST WEEK, on how many days did all the family members who live in the household eat a	We could always afford to eat good nutritious meals.
	meal together?	We could always afford enough to eat but not always the kinds of food we should eat.
	☐ 0 days	Sometimes we could not afford enough to eat.
	☐ 1-3 days	☐ Often we could not afford enough to eat.
	4-6 days	At any time DUDING THE BAST 12 MONTHS even for
	☐ Every day	At any time DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, even for one month, did anyone in your family receive
Œ	Does anyone living in your household use cigarettes,	a. Cash assistance from a government welfare program?
	cigars, or pipe tobacco?	b. Food Stamps or Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) benefits?
	No → SKIP to question 14	c. Free or reduced cost breakfasts or lunches at school
E	If yes, does anyone smoke inside your home?	d. School meal debit/Electronic Benefits Transfer (EBT) cards?
	Yes	e. Benefits from the Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) Program?
	□ No	
		Does this child receive SSI, that is, Supplemental Security Income? SSI is different from Social Security.
14	Does anyone vape or use e-cigarettes inside your home?	☐ Yes ☐ No
	Yes	☐ If yes, is this for a disability they have?
	□ No	☐ Yes ☐ No
ĮĘ	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?	
	Never	
	Rarely	
	☐ Somewhat often	
	☐ Very often	
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19	DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, was there a time when	13	In y	your neighborhood, is/are there		
Ī	you were not able to pay the mortgage or rent on time?				Yes	
١	Yes		a.	Sidewalks or walking paths?		
١	□ No			A park or playground?		
١	☐ Don't know		C.	A recreation center, community center, or boys' and girls' club?		
	DUDING THE DAGE 40 MONTHS have after some year		d.	A library or bookmobile?		
(10	DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, how often were you worried or stressed about being evicted, foreclosed on, or having your housing condemned?		e.	Litter or garbage on the street or sidewalk?		
١	☐ Always		f.	Poorly kept or rundown housing?		
ı	Usually		g.	Vandalism such as broken windows or graffiti?		
١	Sometimes		_			
١	Rarely			what extent do you agree with the out your neighborhood or commun		ients
١	Never			Definitely Somewl		
			a.	People in this neighborhood help		
4	DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, how many places has this child lived?			each other out		
١				We watch out for each other's		
١	Number of places			children in this neighborhood		
Œ	SINCE THIS CHILD WAS BORN, have they ever been		Ç.	This child is safe in our neighborhood		
Ĭ	homeless or lived in a shelter? Include living in a shelter, motel, temporary or transitional living situation, scattered site	$\downarrow \!\!\!\!/$	'	When we encounter		
١	housing, or having no steady place to sleep at night.			difficulties, we know where to go for help		
١	Yes			in our community		
١	□ No					
١	Don't know					
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1!	ha ha un	e next questions are ppened during this cl ppen in any family, b comfortable with the y questions you do n	hild's life. These t ut some people m se questions. You	hings can nay feel may skip		DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, has this child had any health care visits by video or phone? Yes No
	To ex	the best of your kno perienced any of the	wledge, has this of following?	child EVEI Yes	R No	If yes, were any of this child's health care visits by video or phone because of the coronavirus pandemic?
	a.	Parent or guardian div	orced or			Yes No
ı	b.	Parent or guardian die	ed			
	c.	Parent or guardian se jail or prison	rved time in			DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, did this child miss, delay or skip any PREVENTIVE check-ups because of the coronavirus pandemic?
	d.	Saw or heard parents hit, kick, punch one all home				Yes
	e.	Was a victim of violen witnessed violence in neighborhood				No
	f.	Lived with anyone whill, suicidal, or severely	o was mentally y depressed			DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, has this child's regular daycare or other childcare arrangement been closed or unavailable at any time because of the coronavirus pandemic?
	g.	Lived with anyone wh with alcohol or drugs	o had a problem			Yes
	h.	Treated or judged unf of their race or ethnic				□ No
	i.	Treated or judged unf of a health condition of				
1		hen your family faces ely to do each of the		ften are y	ou	
ı		ti	All of Most of he time	Some of the time	he time	
	a.	Talk together about what to do		All In		
	b.	Work together to solve our problems		> _		
	c.	Know we have strengths to draw on				
	d.	Stay hopeful even in difficult times				

J. Child's Caregivers What is the highest grade or level of school you have completed? Mark (X) ONE box. **About You** 8th grade or less How are you related to this child? 9th-12th grade; No diploma Biological or Adoptive Parent High School Graduate or GED Completed Step-parent Completed a vocational, trade, or business school program Grandparent Some College Credit, but no Degree Foster Parent Associate Degree (AA, AS) Other: Relative Bachelor's Degree (BA, BS, AB) Other: Non-Relative Master's Degree (MA, MS, MSW, MBA) What is your sex? Doctorate (PhD, EdD) or Professional Degree (MD, DDS, DVM, JD) Male What is your marital status? Female Married What is your age? Not married, but living with a partner Never Married Age in years Divorced Where were you born? Separated In the United States → SKIP to question Widowed Outside of the United States In general, how is your physical health? When did you come to live in the United States? Excellent Indicate the 4-digit year in which you came to live in the United States. Very good 4-Digit Year Good Fair Poor

Jg	, ,	Other Parent or Caregiver in the Household
1	Excellent	
1	☐ Very good	14 How is this other caregiver related to this child?
1	Good	Biological or Adoptive Parent
	Fair	☐ Step-parent
1	Poor	Grandparent
١		☐ Foster Parent
JI	employment status?	Other: Relative
	Mark (X) ONE box.	Other: Non-Relative
1	☐ Employed full-time	
	Employed part-time	15 What is this caregiver's sex?
	☐ Working WITHOUT pay	Male
١	☐ Not employed but looking for work	Female
	☐ Not employed and not looking for work	16 What is this caregiver's age?
1	Have you ever served on active duty in the U.S. Armed Forces, Reserves, or the National Guard?	Age in years
1	Mark (X) ONE box. Never served in the	
		Where was this caregiver born?
	Only on active duty for training in the Reserves or National Guard → SKIP to question	☐ In the United States → SKIP to question on page 26
	□ Now on active duty	Outside of the United States
	On active duty in the past, but not now	When did this caregiver come to live in the United States? Indicate the 4-digit year in which this caregiver
J12	Were you deployed at any time during this child's life?	came to live in the United States.
	Yes	4-Digit Year
	□ No	
JI	Does this child have another parent or adult caregiver who lives in this household?	
	Yes → Complete questions parent or adult caregiver	
	No → SKIP to question K1 on page 26	

J1		care	t is the highest grade or level of school this giver has completed? ((X) ONE box.	CL	Which of the following best describes this caregiver's current employment status? Mark (X) ONE box.				
١			8th grade or less		Employed full-time				
١			9th-12th grade; No diploma		Employed part-time				
١			High School Graduate or GED Completed		Working WITHOUT pay				
١			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				
١			Associate Degree (AA, AS)		las this caregiver ever served on active duty in the				
١			Bachelor's Degree (BA, BS, AB)		I.S. Armed Forces, Reserves, or the National Guard? Mark (X) ONE box.				
١			Master's Degree (MA, MS, MSW, MBA)		Never served in the military → SKIP to question K1				
			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 (K1)				
J2	٥ ١	Wha	t is this caregiver's marital status?		Now on active duty				
I			Married		On active duty in the past, but not now				
١			Not married, but living with a partner	25 W	Vas this caregiver deployed at any time during this				
١			Never Married	ch	hild's like?				
١			Divorced	T	Wes				
١			Separated		No				
			Widowed		K. Household Information				
J2) 1	n ge	eneral, how is this caregiver's physical health?	1 He	low many people are living or staying at this address?				
			Excellent	In	nclude everyone who usually lives or stays at this address. No NOT include anyone who is living somewhere else for				
			Very good	m	nore than two months, such as a college student living away r someone in the Armed Forces on deployment.				
١			Good						
١			Fair		Number of people				
١			Poor		low many of these people in your household are family nembers? Family is defined as anyone related to this child				
J2	2	n ge	eneral, how is this caregiver's mental or emotional th?		y blood, marriage, adoption, or through foster care.				
١			Excellent	L	Number of people				
١			Very good						
١			Good						
			Fair						
			Poor						



К3 Income in 2021 The following question is about your 2021 income. Mark (X) the "Yes" box for EACH type of income this child's Think about your total combined family income IN THE family received, and give your best estimate of the TOTAL AMOUNT IN THE LAST CALENDAR YEAR. Mark (X) the LAST CALENDAR YEAR for all members of the family. What is that amount before taxes? Include money from "No" box to show types of income NOT received. jobs, child support, social security, retirement income, unemployment payments, public assistance, and so forth. a. Wages, salary, commissions, bonuses, or tips for Also, include income from interest, dividends, net income all jobs. from businesses, farm or rent, and any other money income received. Yes → .00 \$ Loss .00 TOTAL AMOUNT No in the last calendar year TOTAL AMOUNT in the last calendar year b. Self-employment income from own nonfarm businesses or farm business, including proprietorships and partnerships. Loss Yes → .00 TOTAL AMOUNT No in the last calendar year Interest, dividends, net rental income, royalty income, or income from estates and trusts. Yes → Loss .00 TOTAL AMOUNT in the last calendar year d. Social Security or Railroad Retirement; retirement, survivor, or disability pensions. Yes → .00 TOTAL AMOUNT No in the last calendar year e. Supplemental Security Income (SSI); any public assistance or welfare payments from the state or local welfare office. Yes → TOTAL AMOUNT in the last calendar year No f. Any other sources of income received regularly such as Veterans' (VA) payments, unemployment compensation, child support, or alimony. Yes → .00 TOTAL AMOUNT No in the last calendar year

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