## 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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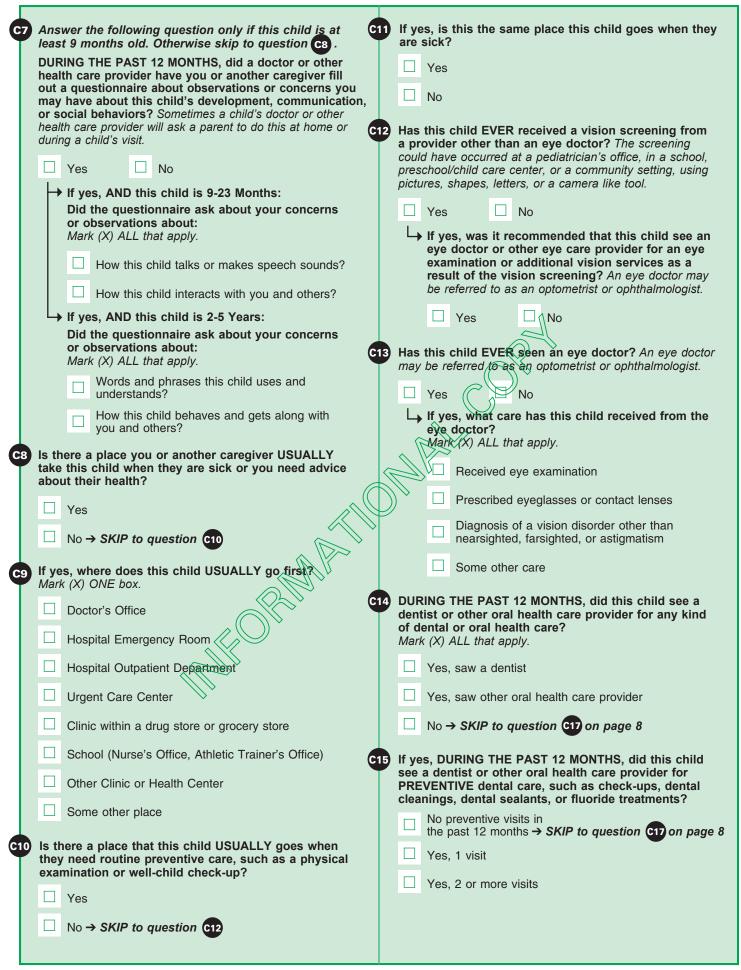
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	Recently, you completed a survey that asked about the children usually living or staying at this address. Thank you for taking the time to complete that survey.	•	foll a.	owing? Breathing or other respiratory problems (such as wheezing or shortness of breath)	Yes	No
	We now have some follow-up questions to ask about:		b.	Eating or swallowing because of a health condition		
				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.			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		e.	Using their hands		
	complete the follow-up questions.		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.		•	Toothaches		
	Your participation is important. Thank you.		h.	Bleeding gums		
				Decayed teeth or cavities		
		<b>A</b> 4	4 Do	es this child have any of the following	ng? Yes	No
	A. This Child's Health		а.	Deathess or problems with hearing		
				Blindness or problems with seeing, even when wearing glasses		
A	In general, how would you describe this child's health (the one named above)?	$\mathbb{Q}$		s a doctor or other health care provi ı that this child has	der EVER	told
	Excellent	A		ergies (such as food, drug, insect, se	asonal o	r
	□ Very good			er)?	Jusonal, o	
	Good		L_	Yes □ No If yes, does this child CURRENTLY condition?	( have the	ŀ
	Fair     Poor			Yes No		
				└→ If yes, is it:		
A	2 How would you describe the condition of this child's teeth?			Mild Moderate	Se Se	evere
	□ This child does not have any teeth	A		hma?		
	Excellent		L	Yes No If yes, does this child CURRENTLY condition?	( have the	ŀ
	Very good			Yes No		
	Good			↦ If yes, is it:		
	□ Fair			Mild Moderate	□ Se	evere
	Poor	A		oimmune disease (such as Type 1 E iac, or Juvenile Idiopathic Arthritis)?		
				Yes □ No If yes, is it:		
				Mild Moderate	Severe	
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	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
A8		4 Anxiety Problems?
Ť	Yes No	Yes No
	→ If yes, is it:	→ If yes, does this child CURRENTLY have these
		problems?
	Mild Moderate Severe	Yes No
A9	Type 2 Diabetes?	$\rightarrow$ If yes, is it:
T	Yes No	Mild Moderate Severe
	➡ If yes, does this child CURRENTLY have the	
		5 Depression?
	🗆 Yes 🛛 No	Yes No
	└→ If yes, is it:	→ If yes, does this child CURRENTLY have the
	Mild Moderate Severe	condition?
		Yes No
A10	Epilepsy or Seizure Disorder?	↦ If yes, is it:
	└ Yes └ No	Mild Moderate Severe
	→ If yes, does this child CURRENTLY have the condition?	6 Down Syndrome?
	Yes No	
	→ If yes, is it:	7 Blood Disorders (such as Sickle Cell Disease,
	🗋 Mild 🔲 Moderate 🔲 Severe	Thalassemia, or Hemophilia)?
A11	Heart Condition?	R Ves D No
T	Yes No	If yes, is it:
	→ If yes, was this child born with the condition?	Mild Moderate Severe
	□ Yes □ No	Was this child diagnosed with:
		Sickle Cell Disease?  Yes  No
	Does this child CURRENTLY have the condition?	
	Yes No	Thalassemia?
	If yes, is it:	Hemophilia?
	Mild Møderate) 🔲 Severe	Other Blood Ves No
A12	Frequent or severe headaches, including migraine?	Disorders:
T	Yes No	Were any of these blood disorders identified through a blood test done shortly after birth?
	→ If yes, does this child CURRENTLY have the	These tests are sometimes called newborn screening.
	condition?	Yes No
	Yes No	Custia Elibracia?
	If yes, is it:	8 Cystic Fibrosis?
	☐ Mild	
		└→ If yes, is it:
A13	Tourette Syndrome?	Mild Moderate Severe
	Yes No	Was this condition identified through a blood test done shortly after birth? These tests are
	→ If yes, does this child CURRENTLY have the	sometimes called newborn screening.
	condition?	Yes No
	Yes No	
	→ If yes, is it:	9 Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder (FASD)?
	Mild Moderate Severe	Yes No
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A2	Has a doctor, other health care provider, or educator EVER told you that this child has Examples of educators are teachers and school nurses. Behavioral or Conduct Problems? ○ Yes ○ No → If yes, does this child CURRENTLY have these problems? ○ Yes ○ No → If yes, is it:	<ul> <li>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).</li> <li>Yes</li> <li>No → SKIP to question A30 on page 5</li> <li>If yes, does this child CURRENTLY have the condition?</li> <li>Yes</li> <li>No</li> <li>If yes, is it:</li> </ul>
	Mild Moderate Severe	Mild Moderate Severe
A2	<ul> <li>Yes No</li> <li>If yes, does this child CURRENTLY have the condition?</li> <li>Yes No</li> <li>If yes, is it:</li> <li>Mild Moderate Severe</li> </ul> Intellectual Disability (formerly known as Mental Retardation)? <ul> <li>Yes No</li> <li>Yes No</li> <li>If yes, does this child CURRENTLY have the disability?</li> <li>Yes No</li> <li>If yes, is it:</li> <li>Mild Moderate Severe</li> </ul> Speech or other language disorder? <ul> <li>Yes No</li> <li>If yes, does this child CURRENTLY have the condition?</li> <li>Yes No</li> <li>If yes, is it:</li> <li>Mild Moderate Severe</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>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?</li> <li>Age in years Don't know</li> <li>What type of doctor on other health care provider was the FIRST to tell you that this child had Autism, ASD, Asperger's Disorder or PDD?</li> <li>What type of doctor on other health care provider was the FIRST to tell you that this child had Autism, ASD, Asperger's Disorder or PDD?</li> <li>Mark (X) ONE box.</li> <li>Primary Care Provider</li> <li>Specialist</li> <li>School Psychologist/Counselor</li> <li>Other Psychologist (Non-School)</li> <li>Psychiatrist</li> <li>Other, specify: r</li> <li>Don't know</li> </ul> 28 Is this child CURRENTLY taking medication for Autism, ASD, Asperger's Disorder or PDD? At any time DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, did this 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 with their behavior? <ul> <li>Yes</li> <li>No</li> </ul>
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A3	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	B. This Child as an Infant
	ADHD?	B1 Was this child born more than 3 weeks before their due date?
	Yes □ No → SKIP to question A33	
	If yes, does this child CURRENTLY have the condition?	
		No
	→ If yes, is it:	What month and year was this shild harn?
		B2 What month and year was this child born? Birth Month / 4-Digit Birth Year
AJ	Is this child CURRENTLY taking medication for ADD or ADHD?	
	Yes No	<b>How much did they weigh when born?</b> Answer in pounds and ounces OR kilograms and grams. Your best estimate
A3	At any time DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, did this	is fine.
Ī	child receive behavioral treatment for ADD or ADHD, such as training or an intervention that you or this child received to help with their behavior?	pounds AND ounces
	□ Yes □ No	OR
A3:	<b>Do you think this child has EVER had a concussion or brain injury?</b> A concussion or brain injury is when a blow or jolt to the head causes problems such as headaches,	kilograms AND grams
	dizziness, being dazed or confused, difficulty remembering	B4 Was this child EVER breastfed or fed breast milk?
	or concentrating, vomiting, blurred vision, changes in mood vor behavior, or being knocked out.	
	Yes No	Ves
	→ If yes, did you seek medical care from a doctor of other health care provider?	No $\rightarrow$ SKIP to question <b>B6</b> on page 6
	🗆 Yes 🔲 No	If yes, how old was this child when they COMPLETELY stopped breastfeeding or being fed breast milk? Your best estimate is fine.
	If yes, did a doctor or other health care provider tell you that your child had a concussion or brain injury?	This child is still breastfeeding
	□ Yes □ No	OR
A34	DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, how often have this child's health conditions or problems affected their	days
	ability to do things other children their age do?	OR
	This child does not have any health conditions $\rightarrow$ <b>SKIP to question</b> B1	weeks
	■ Never → SKIP to question B1	OR
	□ Sometimes	
	Usually	months
	Always	
A3	To what extent do this child's health conditions or problems affect their ability to do things?	
	□ Very little	
	Somewhat	
	A great deal	

B6	How old was this child when they were FIRST fed formula? Your best estimate is fine.	C. Health Care Services
		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.
	OR	□ Yes
	days	No → SKIP to question C4
	OR	2 If yes, DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, how many times
	weeks	did this child visit a doctor, nurse, or other health care professional to receive a PREVENTIVE check-up?
	OR	A preventive check-up is when this child was not sick or injured, such as an annual or sports physical, or well-child visit.
	months	□ 0 visits
		□ 1 visit
<b>B7</b>	How old was this child when they were FIRST fed any- thing other than breast milk or formula? <i>Include water</i> ,	2 or more visits
	juice, cow's milk, sugar water, baby food, or anything else that this child might have been given.	3 Thinking about the LAST TIME you took this child for
	Your best estimate is tine. This child has never been fed anything other than	a PREVENTIVE check-up, about how long was the doctor or health care provider who examined this child
	breast milk or formula	in the room with you? Your best estimate is fine.
	At birth	Less than 10 minutes
	OR	) 10-20 minutes
	days	More than 20 minutes
		4 Are you concerned about this child's weight?
		☐ Yes, it's too high
	OR Weeks	Yes, it's too low
	months	No, I am not concerned
		Has a doctor or other health care provider ever told you that this child is overweight?
		□ Yes
		□ No
		6 DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, did this child's doctors
		or other health care providers ask if you have concerns about this child's learning, development, or behavior?
		□ Yes
		□ No
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C1	6	If yes, DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, what PREVENTIVE dental service(s) did this child receive? Mark (X) ALL that apply.	C21		difficult was it to get the specialist d needed?	care tha	t this
					Not difficult		
		Check-up			Somewhat difficult		
		Cleaning			Very difficult		
		Instruction on tooth brushing and oral health care			It was not possible to obtain care		
		X-Rays	<b>C</b> 222		ING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, was the	ro any tir	no whon
		Fluoride treatment	C22	this By h	child needed health care but it was r ealth care, we mean medical care as w	not receiv	ed? er kinds of
		Sealant (plastic coatings on back teeth)		care	like dental care, vision care, and menta	al health s	ervices.
		Don't know			Yes		
		DUDING THE DART 42 MONTHS has this shild			No → SKIP to question C25		
C	μ	DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, has this child received any treatment or counseling from a mental health professional? <i>Mental health professionals include</i>	C23		s, which types of care were not rec	eived?	
		psychiatrists, psychologists, psychiatric nurses, and clinical social workers.			Medical Care		
		□ Yes			Dental Care		
		No, but this child needed to see a mental health professional			Vision Care		
		No, this child did not need to see a mental health professional $\rightarrow$ <i>SKIP to question</i> <b>C19</b>			Hearing Care		
C	8	How difficult was it to get the mental health treatment		R	Mental Health Services		
		or counseling that this child needed?	$\bigcirc$	$\mathbb{A}$	Other, specify: 📈		
		Not difficult		) )			
		Somewhat difficult	C24	Did	any of the following reasons contrib	ute to thi	s child
		Very difficult	T	not	receiving needed health services?		
		□ It was not possible to obtain care			This child was not eligible for the	Yes	No
				S	services		
C	9	DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS has this child taken any medication because of difficulties with their emotions, concentration, or behavior?		r	The services this child needed were not available in your area		
		□ Yes		6	There were problems getting an appointment when this child needed one		
		No		d. 1	here were problems with getting		
C	20	DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, did this child see a			ransportation or child care		
		<b>specialist other than a mental health professional?</b> <i>Specialists are doctors like surgeons, heart doctors, allergy</i>		C	open when this child needed care		
		doctors, skin doctors, and others who specialize in one area of health care.		f. 1	here were issues related to cost		
		Yes	C25		NG THE PAST 12 MONTHS, how o trated in your efforts to get services		
		No, but this child needed to see a specialist			Never		
		No, this child did not need to see a specialist $\rightarrow$ <i>SKIP to question</i> C22			Sometimes		
					Usually		
					Always		

C	<ul> <li><b>burne burne bu</b></li></ul>	<ul> <li>Has a doctor, other health care provider, or educator EVER recommended that this child be evaluated for a Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder? Examples of educators are teachers and school nurses.</li> <li>Yes</li> <li>No</li> <li>Don't know</li> </ul>
Cź		Alcohol Spectrum Disorder?
	admitted to the hospital to stay for at least one night?	□ Yes
	Yes	
	No	No No
		Don't know
C2	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).	D. Experience with This Child's Health Care
	Yes	Providers
	■ No → SKIP to question C31	
C2		Do you have one or more persons you think of as 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. This can be a general doctor, a pediatrician, a specialist doctor, a nurse practitioner, or a physician assistant.
Ca	Is this child CURRENTLY receiving services under one	Yes, one person
	of these plans?	Yes, more than one person
	□ Yes	
		DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, did this child need a
Ca		referral to see any doctors or receive any services?
	their developmental needs? Special services can include therapies such as speech, occupational, physical or behavioral or other services received to meet	□ Yes
	developmental needs.	No → SKIP to question D4 on page 10
	Yes 📎	B3 How difficult was it to get referrals?
	No → SKIP to question C34	Not difficult
Ca	If yes, how old was this child when they began receiving these special services?	Somewhat difficult
		Very difficult
	years AND months	It was not possible to get a referral
C3	Is this child CURRENTLY receiving these special services?	
	Yes	
	No	

D		Answer the following questions only if this child had a health care visit IN THE PAST 12 MONTHS. Otherwise skip to question en on page 11.				P	8	could this d	NG THE PAST 12 MONTHS, have you felt that you d have used extra help arranging or coordinating child's care among the different health care	
		DURING THE PAST 12 M child's doctors or other				S				ders or services?
				· ·	Sometimes	Never				Yes
		a. Spend enough time with this child?								No → SKIP to question 010
		b. Listen carefully to you?					D	9	did y	s, DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, how often ou get as much help as you wanted with iging or coordinating this child's health care?
		c. Show sensitivity to your family's values and customs?								Usually
		d. Provide the specific information you needed concerning this child?								Sometimes Never
		e. Help you feel like a partner in this child's care?					D1	D	you v	NG THE PAST 12 MONTHS, how satisfied were with the communication between this child's bors and other health care providers?
D		DURING THE PAST 12 M caregiver, or a health ca decisions regarding this	re provid child's h	er nee ealth	ed to make a care, such a	ลร์			_	Very satisfied
		whether to get prescript	ions, refe	rrais,	or proceaur	'es ?				Somewhat dissatisfied
		□ No → SKIP to ques	tion D7							Very dissatisfied
D		If yes, DURING THE PAS this child's doctors or o	ther healt	th care		. ~			care	NG THE PAST 12 MONTHS, did this child's health provider communicate with the child's school, child provider, or special education program?
		a. Discuss with you								Yes
		the range of options to consider for their health care or								No $\rightarrow$ SKIP to question E1 on page 11
		treatment? <b>b.</b> Make it easy for you								Did not need health care provider to communicate with these providers $\rightarrow$ <i>SKIP to question</i> <b>E1</b> <i>on page 11</i>
		to raise concerns or disagree with recommendations			) ~ 🗆		D1	2		s, during this time, how satisfied were you with the
		for this child's health care?	A Chi	> `					healt	h care provider's communication with the school, care provider, or special education program?
		c. Work with you to decide together								Very satisfied
		which health care and treatment choices would be							_	Somewhat satisfied
		best for this child?								Somewhat dissatisfied
D		DURING THE PAST 12 M arrange or coordinate th different doctors or serv	nis child's	care	among the	/ou				Very dissatisfied
		Yes								
		No								
		Did not see more that care provider in the MONTHS → SKIP to	PAST 12							
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	E. This Child's Health Insurance Coverage	F. Providing for This Child's Health
E	DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, was this child EVER covered by ANY kind of health insurance or health coverage plan?         □ Yes, this child was covered all 12 months → SKIP to question 3         □ Yes, but this child had a gap in coverage         □ No         Is this child CURRENTLY covered by ANY kind of health insurance or health coverage plan?         □ Yes	<ul> <li>Including co-pays and amounts reimbursed from Health Savings Accounts (HSA) and Flexible Spending Accounts (FSA), how much money did you pay for this child's medical, health, dental, and vision care DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS? Do not include health insurance premiums or costs that were or will be reimbursed by insurance or another source.</li> <li>\$0 (No medical or health-related expenses) → SKIP to question fa</li> <li>\$1-\$249</li> <li>\$250-\$499</li> <li>\$500-\$999</li> </ul>
	No → SKIP to question F1	□ \$1,000-\$5,000 <b>(</b>
E	types of health insurance or health coverage plans? Mark (X) Yes or No for EACH item.	More than \$5,000
	a. Insurance through a current or former employer or union     Yes     No	F2 How often are these costs reasonable?
	<ul> <li>b. Insurance purchased directly from an insurance company</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>c. Medicaid, Medical Assistance, or any kind of government assistance plan for those with low incomes or a disability</li> </ul>	Sometimes
	d. TRICARE or other military health care	DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, did your family have problems paying for any of this child's medical or
	e. Indian Health Service	health care bills?
	f. Other, specify:  ↓	Yes
		No
E4	How often does this child's health insurance offer	F4 DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, have you or other family members Yes No
	benefits or cover services that meet this child's needs?	a. Left a job or taken a leave of absence because of this child's health or health conditions?
	<ul> <li>Usually</li> <li>Sometimes</li> </ul>	<b>b.</b> Cut down on the hours you work because of this child's health or health conditions?
	□ Never	c. Avoided changing jobs because of concerns about maintaining health
E	How often does this child's health insurance allow them to see the health care providers they need?	insurance for this child?
	Always	
	Usually	
	Sometimes	
	□ Never	
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F5	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.		<b>G. This Child's Lea</b> nswer the following question only if thi ast 1 year old. Otherwise skip to G29 of	is child i	s at
	This child does not need health care provided at home on a weekly basis		this child able to do the following ark (X) Yes or No for EACH item.	Yes	No
	Less than 1 hour per week	a	Say at least one word, such as "hi" or "dog"?		
	<ul> <li>1-4 hours per week</li> <li>5-10 hours per week</li> </ul>	b	Use 2 words together, such as "car go"?		
	□ 11 or more hours per week	C.	Use 3 words together in a sentence, such as, "Mommy come now."?		
		d	Ask questions like "who," "what," "when," "where"?		
F6	IN AN AVERAGE WEEK, how many hours do you or other family members spend arranging or coordinating health or medical care for this child, such as making	e.	Ask questions like "why" and "how"?		
	appointments or locating services?	f.	Tell a story with a beginning, middle, and end?		
	on a weekly basis	g	Understand the meaning of the word "no"?		
	Less than 1 hour per week	h	Follow a verbal direction without hand gestures, such as "Wash your		
	5-10 hours per week	i.	hands."? Point to things in a book when asked?		
	11 or more hours per week	į.	Follow 2-step directions, such as "Get your shoes and put them in the		
	C		basket."? 'Understand words such as "in,"		
			"on," and "under"? this child 3 years old or older?		
		i2) Is			
	S MILL	[	No → SKIP to question 629 on page	15	
			as this child started school? Include an one schooling.	y formal	
		]	Yes, preschool		
			Yes, kindergarten		
			✓ Yes, first grade		
		н	No Ow often can this child recognize the b	eginning	
		s	bund of a word? For example, can this cl at the word "ball" starts with the "buh" sou	hild tell yo	
		[	Always		
			Most of the time		
		L T	About half the time		
			Sometimes		

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star	often can this child come up with words that t with the same sound? For example, can this child te up with "sock" and "sun?"	10	How often can this child correctly do simple addition? For example, can this child tell you that two blocks and three blocks add to a total of five blocks?
	Always		Always
	Most of the time		Most of the time
	About half the time		About half the time
	Sometimes		□ Sometimes
	Never		□ Never
	often can this child explain things they have seen one so that you know what happened?	D	How often can this child tell which group of objects has more? For example, can this child tell you a group
	Always		of seven blocks has more than a group of four blocks?
	Most of the time		Always
	About half the time		Most of the time
	Sometimes		About half the time
	Never		Sometimes
	often can this child write their first name, even if e of the letters aren't quite right or are backwards?		If asked to count objects, how high can this child
	Always	9	count correctly?
	Most of the time	(F	This child cannot count
	About half the time	)	Up to five
	Sometimes		Up to ten
	Never		Up to 20
low	often can this child focus on a task you give them		Up to 30 or more
or a	at least a few minutes? For example, can this child grant of the son simple chores?	3	About how many letters of the alphabet can this child recognize?
	Always		All of them
	Most of the time		Most of them
	About half the time		About half of them
	Sometimes		Some of them
	Never		None of them
	e often can this child read one-digit numbers? example, can this child read the numbers 2 or 8?	14	How well can this child come up with words that rhyme? For example, can this child come up with "cat" and "mat?"
	Always		This child cannot rhyme
	Most of the time		Not well
	About half the time		Somewhat well
	Sometimes		Very well
	Never		

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**G8** 

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G1		often can this child recognize and name their emotions?		ow often does this child show concern when they see hers who are hurt or unhappy?
		Always		Always
		Most of the time		Most of the time
		About half the time		About half the time
		Sometimes		Sometimes
		Never		Never
G1e		often does this child have difficulty when asked and one activity and start a new activity?		ow often does this child have trouble calming own?
		Always		Always
		Most of the time		Most of the time
		About half the time		About half the time
		Sometimes		Sometimes
		Never		Never
G17	How	often does this child play well with other children?	322 Ho	ow often does this child have difficulty waiting for
T		Always	th th	eir turn?
		Most of the time		J∖Atiways
		About half the time		<sup>₽&gt;</sup> Most of the time
		Sometimes		About half the time
		Never		Sometimes
G18	How	often does this child lose their tempers		Never
T			923 Ho wl	ow often does this child keep working at a task even hen it is hard for them?
		Most of the time		Always
		About half the time		Most of the time
		Sometimes		About half the time
		Never		Sometimes
G19	) How	often does this child get easily distracted?		Never
		Always		ow often does this child share toys or games with her children?
		Most of the time		Always
		About half the time		Most of the time
		Sometimes		About half the time
		Never		Sometimes
				Never
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G	25		w well can this child conds?			several		H. About You and This Child	
			This child cannot be	bunce a ba	11				
			Not well				H	1 Was this child born in the United States?	
			Somewhat well					Yes → SKIP to question H3	
			Very well					□ No	
G	26	Но	w well can this child	draw a ci	rcle?		H	2 If no, how long has this child been living in the United States?	
			This child cannot dr	aw a circle	)				
			Not well					years AND months	
			Somewhat well				H	3 How many times has this child moved to a new addres	s
			Very well					since they were born?	
G	27		w well can this child uth?	draw a fa	ce with e	eyes and		Number of times	
			This child cannot dr	aw a face	with eyes	and mou	uth H		
			Not well					time on weeknights?	
			Somewhat well					Always	
			Very well					Sometimes	
							G	Balloometimes	
G	28		w well can this child dy, arms, and legs?	draw a pe	erson wit	h a head	I, ((	Rarely	
			This child cannot dr body, arms, and leg		on with a	head,		Never	
			Not well				H	5 DURING THE PAST WEEK, how many hours of sleep did this child get during an average day (count both	
			Somewhat well			Pl,		nighttime sleep and naps)?	
			Very well			>		Less than 7 hours	
G	29	Но	w often		$\langle$			7 hours	
		a.	Is this child	Always	Sually So	metimes	Never	8 hours	
			affectionate and tender with you?					9 hours	
		b.	Does this child bounce back					10 hours	
			quickly when things do not go their way?				□ 11 hours		
			Does this child					□ 12 or more hours	
			show interest and curiosity in learning new things?						
		d.	Does this child smile and laugh?						

He	d	lrinl	ING 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.			wer the following questions only if this child is at t 3 years old. Otherwise skip to H11 .
	1		This child did not drink sugary drinks		sper	MOST WEEKDAYS, how much time does this child ad playing outdoors? Include time spent playing in your or neighborhood, outside at school or child care, in a
	l		1-3 times during the past week		bark	, playground or other outdoor recreation area. Your best nate is fine.
	1		4-6 times during the past week			Less than 1 hour per day
			1 time per day			1 hour per day
	1		2 times per day			2 hours per day
			3 or more times per day			3 hours per day
H	с	hilc	<b>TING THE PAST WEEK, how many times did this</b> <b>d eat vegetables?</b> <i>Include any that were fresh,</i> <i>en, or canned. Do not include French fries, fried</i>			4 or more hours per day
						AN AVERAGE WEEKEND DAY, how much time does child spend playing outdoors? Include time spent
	1		This child did not eat vegetables		blayi	ing in your yard or neighborhood, in a park, playground ther outdoor recreation area. Your best estimate is fine.
	1		1-3 times during the past week			Less than thour per day
			4-6 times during the past week			1 hour per day
			1 time per day			2 hours per day
			2 times per day		Ą	3 hours per day
			3 or more times per day			4 or more hours per day
H	с	hilc	<b>CING THE PAST WEEK, how many times did this</b> <b>d eat fruit?</b> Include any that were fresh, frozen, bed, or dried. Do not include juice. This child did not eat fruit		chilo othe	MOST WEEKDAYS, about how much time did this d spend in front of a TV, computer, cellphone or er electronic device watching programs, playing es, accessing the internet or using social media?
			1-3 times during the past week		Do r	not include time spent doing schoolwork.
			4-6 times during the past week			Less than 1 hour
			1 time per day			1 hour
			2 times per day			2 hours
			3 or more times per day			3 hours
						4 or more hours
				12	DUR othe	ING THE PAST WEEK, how many days did you or r family members read to this child?
						0 days
						1-3 days
						4-6 days
						Every day

HI	DURING THE PAST WEEK, how many days did you or other family members tell stories or sing songs to this child?	I. About Your Family and Household
	□ 1-3 days	DURING THE PAST WEEK, on how many days did all the family members who live in the household eat a meal together?
	Every day	<ul> <li>0 days</li> <li>1-3 days</li> </ul>
H14	How well do you think you are handling the day-to-day demands of raising children?	☐ 4-6 days
	□ Very well	Every day
	Somewhat well	2 Does anyone living in your household use cigarettes,
	□ Not very well	cigars, or pipe tobacco?
	Not well at all	$\Box \text{ Yes}$ $\Box \text{ No} \rightarrow SKIP \text{ to guestion}  \textbf{14}$
HI		If yes, does anyone smoke inside your home?
	<b>a.</b> That this child	
	is much harder to care for than most children their age?	
	b. That this child	4 Does anyone vape or use e-cigarettes inside your home?
	does things that really bother you a lot?	)  Yes No
	c. Angry with this child?	5 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?
HIE	DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, was there someone that you could turn to for day-to-day emotional support with parenting or raising children?	Never
	Yes	Rarely
		Somewhat often
		□ Very often
HI		Which of these statements best describes your household's ability to afford the food you need DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS?
	☐ Yes	We could always afford to eat good nutritious meals.
	□ No	We could always afford enough to eat but not always the kinds of food we should eat.
		Sometimes we could not afford enough to eat.
		Often we could not afford enough to eat.

G	At any time DURING THE PAST 12 MONT one month, did anyone in your family rec		n for		URING THE PAST 12 his child lived?	MONTH	S, how m	any place	es has
		Yes	No						
	<b>a.</b> Cash assistance from a government welfare program?				Number of pla	ces			
	<b>b.</b> Food Stamps or Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) benefits?				INCE THIS CHILD WA				
	<b>c.</b> Free or reduced-cost breakfasts or lunches at school?			n	notel, temporary or trans ousing, or having no ste	sitional li	ving situat	tion, scatte	ered site
	<b>d.</b> School meal debit/Electronic Benefits Transfer (EBT) cards?			[	Yes				
	e. Benefits from the Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) Program?				Don't know				
I	Does this child receive SSI, that is, Suppl Security Income? SSI is different from Soci	emental al Securi	4. /	13 Ir	n your neighborhood,	is/are th	ere		
	Yes No					1		Yes	No
	→ If yes, is this for a disability they have	<b>1</b> 02		a	. Sidewalks or walking	paths?			
		VC :		b	. A park or playground	?			
	Yes I No				. A recreation center, c center, or boys' and g	ommuni			
(Is	DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, was they you were not able to pay the mortgage or			d	. A library or bookmobi	le?			
	Yes			e	Litter or garbage on t	he stree	t		
	No		(	A A	Poorly kept or rundov	vn housi	ng?		
	Don't know			g	. Vandalism such as bi windows or graffiti?	roken			
(11		en were	you (	14) T	o what extent do you	agree w	ith these	statemen	its
	worried or stressed about being evicted,	toreclos	ed on,	a	bout your neighborho	od or co	ommunity	?	
	or having your housing condemned?					Definitely agree	Somewhat agree	Somewhat disagree	Definitely disagree
	Usually			a	People in this neighborhood help each other out				
	Sometimes			b	. We watch out for each other's				
	Rarely				children in this neighborhood				
				с	. This child is safe in our neighborhood				
				d	. When we encounter difficulties, we know				
					where to go for help in our community				

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(1	5 The next questions are about events that happened during this child's life. These the happen in any family, but some people may uncomfortable with these questions. You any questions you do not want to answer.	nings can ay feel may skip	J. Child's Caregivers About You				
	To the best of your knowledge, has this c experienced any of the following?	hild EVER	1 How are you related to this child?				
	a. Parent or guardian divorced or	Yes No	Biological or Adoptive Parent				
	separated		Step-parent				
	<b>b.</b> Parent or guardian died		Grandparent				
	<ul> <li>c. Parent or guardian served time in jail or prison</li> </ul>		□ Foster Parent				
	<ul> <li>Saw or heard parents or adults slap, hit, kick, punch one another in the</li> </ul>		Other: Relative				
	home		Other: Non-Relative				
	<ul> <li>Was a victim of violence or witnessed violence in their neighborhood</li> </ul>		2 What is your sex?				
	<li>f. Lived with anyone who was mentally ill, suicidal, or severely depressed</li>						
	g. Lived with anyone who had a problem with alcohol or drugs		Female Female				
	<ul> <li>h. Treated or judged unfairly because of their race or ethnic group</li> </ul>		I3 What is your age?				
	i. Treated or judged unfairly because of a health condition or disability		Age in years				
			Where were you born?				
(11	When your family faces problems, how of likely to do each of the following?	ten are you	□ In the United States				
	All of Most of S the time the time th	ome of None of the time	Outside of the United States				
	a. Talk together about what to do						
	b. Work together to solve our problems		5 What is the highest grade or level of school you have completed? Mark (X) ONE box.				
	c. Know we have strengths to draw on		8th grade or less				
	d. Stay hopeful		9th-12th grade; No diploma				
	even in difficult		High School Graduate or GED Completed				
			Completed a vocational, trade, or business school program				
(11	DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, has this of any health care visits by video or phone?	child had	Some College Credit, but no Degree				
	Yes No		Associate Degree (AA, AS)				
			Bachelor's Degree (BA, BS, AB)				
			☐ Master's Degree (MA, MS, MSW, MBA)				
			Doctorate (PhD, EdD) or Professional Degree (MD, DDS, DVM, JD)				

What is your marital status?	Have you ever served on active duty in the U.S. Armed Forces, Reserves, or the National Guar Mark (X) ONE box.
	Never served in the
Not married, but living with a partner	<ul> <li>☐ military → SKIP to question J12</li> <li>☐ Only on active duty for training in the Reserves of</li> </ul>
Never Married	National Guard → SKIP to question J12
Divorced	Now on active duty
Separated	On active duty in the past, but not now
U Widowed	111 Were you deployed at any time during this child's
n general, how is your physical health?	□ Yes
Excellent	
□ Very good	
Good J	Does this child have another parent or adult careg who lives in this household?
□ Fair	Yes $\rightarrow$ Complete guestions J13 - J23 on page
Poor	for this other parent or adult caregiver
	■ No → SKIP to question K1 on page 22
n general, how is your mental or emotional health?	
Excellent	
Very good	
Good	₩ `
🗆 Fair	
Poor	
<ul> <li>Which of the following best describes your current status?</li> <li>Mark (X) ONE box.</li> <li>Employed full-time</li> <li>Employed part-time</li> <li>Working WITHOUT pay</li> <li>Not employed but looking for work</li> <li>Not employed and not looking for work</li> <li>Retired</li> </ul>	
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	Other Parent or Caregiver in the Household	J	car	at is the highest grade or level of school this egiver has completed? rk (X) ONE box.			
J13	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			program Some College Credit, but no Degree			
	Other: Relative			Associate Degree (AA, AS)			
	Other: Non-Relative			Bachelor's Degree (BA, BS, AB)			
J14	What is this caregiver's sex?			Master's Degree (MA, MS, MSW, MBA)			
				Doctorate (PhD, EdD) or Professional Degree (MD, DDS, DVM, dD)			
	Female	J1	8 Wh	at is this caregiver's marital status?			
J15	What is this caregiver's age?			Marrie			
Ť				Not married, but living with a partner			
	Age in years		R	Never Married			
J16	Where was this caregiver born?	d	R	Divorced			
	In the United States	$\mathbb{N}$		Separated			
	<ul> <li>Outside of the United States</li> </ul>	$\sim$		Widowed			
	e Mu	J1	19 In general, how is this caregiver's physical health?				
	IN FORMER	T		Excellent			
				Very good			
	- Ali			Good			
				Fair			
				Poor			
		J2		general, how is this caregiver's mental or emotional alth?			
				Excellent			
				Very good			
				Good			
				Fair			
				Poor			
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J21	<ul> <li>Employed full-time</li> <li>Employed part-time</li> </ul>	K1 <b>K. Household Information</b> How many people are living or staying at this address? Include everyone who usually lives or stays at this address. Do NOT include anyone who is living somewhere else for more than two months, such as a college student living away or someone in the Armed Forces on deployment.
	<ul> <li>Working WITHOUT pay</li> <li>Not employed but looking for work</li> </ul>	Number of people
	Not employed and not looking for work	K2 How many of these people in your household are family
	Retired	<b>members?</b> Family is defined as anyone related to this child by blood, marriage, adoption, or through foster care.
J2	<ul> <li>Has this caregiver ever served on active duty in the U.S. Armed Forces, Reserves, or the National Guard? <i>Mark (X) ONE box.</i></li> <li>□ Never served in the military → SKIP to question K1</li> </ul>	Number of people
	Only on active duty for training in the Reserves or National Guard $\rightarrow$ <i>SKIP to question</i> (1)	
	Now on active duty	
	On active duty in the past, but not now	
J23	Was this caregiver deployed at any time during this child's life?	
	🗆 Yes	$\mathbb{D}^{\mathbb{N}}$
	No	
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## **Mailing Instructions**

## Thank you for your participation.

On behalf of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, we would like to thank you for the time and effort you have spent sharing information about this child and your family.

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.

Place the completed questionnaire in the postage-paid return envelope. If the envelope has been misplaced, mail the questionnaire to:

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