

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?
children usually living or staying at this address. Thank you for taking the time to complete that survey.	a. Breathing or other respiratory
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 child listed above is not correct or does not correspond to a child living in this household, please call 1-800-845-8241 for assistance. For Telephone Device for the Deaf (TDD) assistance, please call:	d. Repeated or chronic physical pain, including headaches or other back or body pain
1-800-582-8330.	e. Toothaches
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.	f. Bleeding gums
	g. Decayed teeth or cavities
The survey should be completed by a parent or adult caregiver who lives in this household and who is	A4 Does this child have any of the following?
familiar with this child's health and health care.	a. Serious difficulty concentrating,
Your participation is important. Thank you.	remembering, or making decisions because of a physical, mental, or emotional condition
A This Child's Health	b. Serious difficulty walking or climbing
A. This Child's Health	c. Difficulty dressing or bathing
In general, how would you describe this child's health (the one named above)?	d. Difficulty doing errands alone, such
Excellent	as visiting a doctor's office or shopping, because of a physical, mental, or emotional condition
□ Very good	e. Deafness or problems with hearing
Good	f. Blindness or problems with seeing, even when wearing glasses
□ Fair □ Poor	Has a doctor or other health care provider EVER told you that this child has
1 001	A5 Allergies (such as food, drug, insect, seasonal, or other)?
How would you describe the condition of this child's teeth?	☐ Yes ☐ No
Excellent	
☐ Very good	☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ If yes, is it:
Good	☐ Mild ☐ Moderate ☐ Severe
☐ Fair	A6 Asthma?
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 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)?	Tourette Syndrome?
	☐ Yes ☐ No	☐ Yes ☐ No
	→ If yes, is it:	☐ If yes, does this child CURRENTLY have the condition?
	☐ Mild ☐ Moderate ☐ Severe	☐ Yes ☐ No
		→ If yes, is it:
A		☐ Mild ☐ Moderate ☐ Severe
	☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ If yes, is it:	Anxiety Problems?
	☐ Mild ☐ Moderate ☐ Severe	Yes No
		☐ If yes, does this child CURRENTLY have these
AS	Type 2 Diabetes?	problems?
	☐ Yes ☐ No	Yes No
	If yes, does this child CURRENTLY have the condition?	→ If yes, is it: Mild Moderate Severe
	☐ Yes ☐ No	Mild Moderate L Severe
	☐ If yes, is it:	Depression?
	☐ Mild ☐ Moderate ☐ Severe	☐ Yes ☐ No
A1	Epilepsy or Seizure Disorder?	☐ If yes, does this child CURRENTLY have the condition?
T	☐ Yes ☐ No	Yes No
١	☐ If yes, does this child CURRENTLY have the condition?	→ If yes, is it:
	Yes No	☐ Mild ☐ Moderate ☐ Severe
		Down Syndrome?
	☐ Mild ☐ Moderate ☐ Severe	☐ Yes ☐ No
Δ1	Heart Condition?	Blood Disorders (such as Sickle Cell Disease,
٦	☐ Yes ☐ No	Thalassemia, or Hemophilia)?
	☐ If yes, was this child born with the condition?	☐ Yes ☐ No
	☐ Yes ☐ No	→ If yes, is it:
	Does this child CURRENTLY have the condition?	Mild Moderate Severe
	☐ Yes ☐ No	Was this child diagnosed with:
	→ If yes, is it:	Sickle Cell Disease?
	☐ Mild ☐ Moderate ☐ Severe	Thalassemia?
		Hemophilia?
A1		Other Blood Disorders? Yes No
	Yes No	Were any of these blood disorders identified
		through a blood test done shortly after birth? These tests are sometimes called newborn screening.
	☐ Yes ☐ No	☐ Yes ☐ No
	→ If yes, is it:	
	☐ Mild ☐ Moderate ☐ Severe	

	Has a doctor or other health care provider EVER told	Has a doctor, other health care provider, or educator
	you that this child has	EVER told you that this child has Examples of educators are teachers and school nurses.
A1	A A	Intellectual Disability (formerly known as Mental
١	Yes No	Retardation)?
١	→ If yes, is it:	☐ Yes ☐ No
١	☐ Mild ☐ Moderate ☐ Severe	If yes, does this child CURRENTLY have the
١	Was this condition identified through a blood test done shortly after birth? These tests are	disability?
١	sometimes called newborn screening.	☐ Yes ☐ No
١	☐ Yes ☐ No	→ If yes, is it:
١		☐ Mild ☐ Moderate ☐ Severe
A 1	9 Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder (FASD)?	L Mind L Moderate L Severe
1	☐ Yes ☐ No A	23 Speech or other language disorder?
١		☐ Yes ☐ No
١		If yes, does this child CURRENTLY have the
١	Has a doctor, other health care provider, or educator EVER told you that this child has	condition?
	Examples of educators are teachers and school nurses.	☐ Yes No
A2	Behavioral or Conduct Problems?	If yes is it:
١	☐ Yes ☐ No	
١	If yes, does this child CURRENTLY have these	Mid
١	problems?	24 Learning Disability?
١	☐ Yes ☐ No	
١	⊢ If yes, is it:	₩es □ No
١	☐ Mild ☐ Moderate ☐ Severe	If yes, does this child CURRENTLY have the disability?
١		
A2	1 Developmental Delay?	☐ Yes ☐ No
٦	☐ Yes ☐ No	→ If yes, is it:
١	If yes, does this child CURRENTLY have the	☐ Mild ☐ Moderate ☐ Severe
١	condition?	
١	☐ Yes ☐ No ♠	Has a doctor or other health care provider EVER told you that this child has Autism or Autism Spectrum
١	☐ If yes, is it:	Disorder (ASD)? Include diagnoses of Asperger's Disorder
١		or Pervasive Developmental Disorder (PDD).
١	☐ Mild Moderate ☐ Severe	☐ Yes ☐ No → SKIP to question A30 on page 5
		If yes, does this child CURRENTLY have the condition?
١		☐ Yes ☐ No
١		☐ If yes, is it:
١		
١		☐ Mild ☐ Moderate ☐ Severe
١		26 How old was this child when a doctor or other health
١		care provider FIRST told you that they had Autism, ASD,
		Asperger's Disorder or PDD?
		Age in years Don't know
		Age in years Don't know
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A2	th A	that type of doctor or other health care provider was the FIRST to tell you that this child had Autism, ASD, sperger's Disorder or PDD? Eark (X) ONE box.	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, dizziness, being dazed or confused, difficulty remembering or concentrating, vomiting, blurred vision, changes in mood
ı		Primary Care Provider	or behavior, or being knocked out.
ı		Specialist	☐ If yes, did you seek medical care from a doctor or
ı		School Psychologist/Counselor	other health care provider?
ı		Other Psychologist (Non-School)	☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ If yes, did a doctor or other health care
ı		Psychiatrist	provider tell you that your child had a concussion or brain injury?
ı		Other, specify:	☐ Yes ☐ No
		Don't know	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?
42		this child CURRENTLY taking medication for Autism, SD, Asperger's Disorder or PDD?	This child does not have any health conditions → SKIP to question Never → SKIP to question B1
ı	[Yes No	Sometimes
A2	cl A in	any time DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, did this an	Usually Always 35 To what extent do this child's health conditions or problems affect their ability to do things?
ı		Yes No	☐ Very little
43	y A	as a doctor or other health care provider EVER told but that this child has Attention Deficit Disorder or tention-Deficit/Hyperactivity Disorder, that is ADD or DHD?	Somewhat A great deal
		Yes □ No → SKIP to question A33 If yes, does this child CURRENTLY have the condition?	B. This Child as an Infant
ı		^ \V	Was this child born more than 3 weeks before their due date?
		☐ If yes, is it:	Yes
ı		☐ Mild ☐ Moderate ☐ Severe	□ No
43		this child CURRENTLY taking medication for ADD or DHD?	What month and year was this child born? Birth Month / 4-Digit Birth Year
ı		Yes No	1 2 0
43	cl si	any time DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, did this aild receive behavioral treatment for ADD or ADHD, ach as training or an intervention that you or this aild received to help with their behavior? Yes No	How much did they weigh when born? Answer in pounds and ounces OR kilograms and grams. Your best estimate is fine. pounds AND ounces OR
ı			kilograms AND grams

	C. Health Care Services	Are you concerned about this child's weight?	
C		Yes, it's too high	
1	doctor, nurse, or other health care professional for sick-child care, well-child check-ups, physical exams,	☐ Yes, it's too low	
	hospitalizations or any other kind of medical care? Include health care visits done by video or phone.	□ No, I am not concerned	
١	Yes	Has a doctor or other health care provider ever told	
	No → SKIP to question C5	you that this child is overweight? Yes	
C	If yes, at their LAST medical care visit, did this child have a chance to speak with a doctor or other health care provider privately, without you or another	□ No	
	caregiver in the room?	DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, did this child engage any of the following? Mark (X) Yes or No for EACH item.	in
١	□ No	Yes No	,
C	If yes, DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, how many times	a. Skipping meals or fasting (Do NOT include skipping meals or fasting for religious reasons)	i
	did this child visit a doctor, nurse, or other health care professional to receive a PREVENTIVE check-up?	b. Having low interest in food	
١	A preventive check-up is when this child was not sick or injured, such as an annual or sports physical, or well-child visit.	c. Extremely picky eating	
١	0 visits	d. Binge eating	
١	☐ 1 visit	e. Rurging or vomiting after eating	
١	2 or more visits	f Using diet pills, laxatives, or diuretics (water pills) to lose or maintain weight	I
		without a doctor's orders	
C	Thinking about the LAST TIME you took this child for a PREVENTIVE check-up, about how long was the	g. Over-exercising h. Not eating due to fear of vomiting	
	doctor or health care provider who examined this child in the room with you? Your best estimate is line.	or choking	i
	Less than 10 minutes	Answer question C10 only if you marked "Yes" for at least one item in question C9. Otherwise skip to	
١	10-20 minutes	question C11.	
	More than 20 minutes	For question (10), consider only the behaviors you marked "Yes" to in question (29).	
C	What is this child's CURRENT height? Your best estimate is fine.	DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, how concerned were you about this child engaging in these behaviors?	
	feet AND inches	☐ Very much	
١	OR	Somewhat	
	meters AND centimeters	□ Not at all	
C		DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, how concerned was this child about their weight, body shape, or body size	?
		☐ Very much	
	pounds	Somewhat	
	OR	□ Not at all	
	kilograms		



C1	Is there a place you or another caregiver USUALLY take this child when they are sick or you need advice about their health?			GT	DURING THE PAST 2 YEARS, has this child seen an eye doctor? An eye doctor may be referred to as an optometrist or ophthalmologist.					
			Yes			Yes	□ No			
			No → SKIP to question C14		4	eye	es, what care has this child received from the doctor? k (X) ALL that apply.			
C1	3		es, where does this child USUALLY go first? (x (X) ONE box.				Received eye examination			
			Doctor's Office				Prescribed eyeglasses or contact lenses			
			Hospital Emergency Room				Diagnosis of a vision disorder other than nearsighted, farsighted, or astigmatism			
			Hospital Outpatient Department				Some other care			
			Urgent Care Center		- D.I.E		THE DAOT 40 MONTHS (1) 41 TO 15 TO 1			
			Clinic within a drug store or grocery store	G18	den	ist o	THE PAST 12 MONTHS, did this child see a r other oral health care provider for any kind or oral health care?			
			School (Nurse's Office, Athletic Trainer's Office)				ALL that apply			
			Other Clinic or Health Center			Yes	, saw a dennist			
			Some other place			Yes	, saw other oral health care provider			
C1	4	they	nere a place that this child USUALLY goes when red routine preventive care, such as a physical mination or well-child check-up?	C19	See	s Di a dei VEN	→ SKIP to question ©21 on page 8 PRING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, did this child ntist or other oral health care provider for TIVE dental care, such as check-ups, dental			
			No → SKIP to question C16		clea	ning: No p	s, dental sealants, or fluoride treatments? preventive visits in the			
C1	5	If ve	es, is this the same place this child goes when they			-	t 12 months → SKIP to question ©21 on page 8 , 1 visit			
			sick?		H		, 2 or more visits			
			Yes							
			No	C20	PŘE	VEN ¹	JRING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, what TIVE dental service(s) did this child receive? ALL that apply.			
C1	6	visio	RING THE PAST 2 YEARS, has this child received a on screening from a care provider other than an eye			Che	ck-up			
		pedi	tor? The screening could have occurred at a atrician's office, in a school, preschool/child care center,			Clea	ining			
			community setting, using pictures, shapes, letters, or a era like tool.			Instr	ruction on tooth brushing and oral health care			
			Yes No			X-Ra	ays			
		L	If yes, was it recommended that this child see an eye doctor or other eye care provider for an eye			Fluo	ride treatment			
			examination or additional vision services as a result of the vision screening? An eye doctor may			Seal	lant (plastic coatings on back teeth)			
			be referred to as an optometrist or ophthalmologist. Yes No			Don'	't know			



C2	DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, has this child received any treatment or counseling from a mental health professional? Mental health professionals include	C27		es, 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			Hearing Care		
	mental health professional → SKIP to question C23			Mental Health Services		
C2	2 How difficult was it to get the mental health treatment or counseling that this child needed?			Other, specify: 🔀		
	Not difficult					
	Somewhat difficult	C28		any of the following reasons contril receiving needed health services?	oute to th	nis child
	☐ Very difficult			(X) Yes or No for EACH item.	Yes	No
	☐ It was not possible to obtain care			This child was not eligible for the		
C2	3 DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, has this child taken any medication because of difficulties with their		b . T	The services this child needed were not available in your area		
	emotions, concentration, or behavior?			There were problems getting an appointment when this child needed		
	Yes		C	one		
	No		d. Î	here were problems with getting ansportation or child care		
C2	4 DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, did this child see a specialist other than a mental health professional?	\angle	e. c	The clinic or doctor's office wasn't open when this child needed care		
	Specialists are doctors like surgeons, heart doctors, allergy doctors, skin doctors, and others who specialize in one)) f . T	There were issues related to cost		
	area of health care.	C29		RING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, how o trated in your efforts to get services		
	☐ Yes☐ No, but this child needed to see a specialist			Never		
	No, this child did not need to see			Sometimes		
	a specialist → SKIP to question C26			Usually		
C2	How difficult was it to get the specialist care that this child needed?			Always		
	□ Not difficult	C30	this	RING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, how m child visit a hospital emergency roo	om?	es did
	Somewhat difficult		Do N	NOT include visits to urgent care cente	rs.	
	☐ Very difficult		Ш	None		
	☐ It was not possible to obtain care			1 time		
C2				2-3 times		
	when this child needed health care but it was not received? By health care, we mean medical care as well as other kinds of care like dental care, vision care, and	001		4 or more times	io obild	
	mental health services. — Yes	C31		RING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, was the itted to the hospital to stay for at le		night?
				Yes		
	No → SKIP to question (29)			No		



C3:	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		Ith C		
C3:	No → SKIP to question C35		Do you have one or mothis child's personal do doctor or nurse is a heal child well and is familiar This can be a general dodoctor, a nurse practition	octor or in th profess with this poctor, a p	nurse? A sional wh child's he ediatricial	personal o knows thi ealth history n, a special	is '.
C34	years AND months Is this child CURRENTLY receiving services under one of these plans?		Yes, one person Yes, more than one	e person			
	☐ Yes ☐ No		DURING THE PAST 12 referral to see any doct				
C3!	their developmental needs? Special services can include therapies such as speech, occupational, physical or behavioral or other services received to meet	3	Yes No → SKIP to que: How difficult was it to g				
	YesNo → SKIP to question C38	(F)	Not difficult Somewhat difficult				
C3	receiving these special services?		Very difficult It was not possible Answer the following q	uestions	only if t		
C3	Is this child CURRENTLY receiving these special services?		health care visit IN THE skip to question 013 on DURING THE PAST 12 child's doctors or other	page 10). S, how of	ften did thi	
	☐ Yes ☐ No		Spend enough time with this child?	Always	Usually	Sometimes	Never
C3	Has a doctor, other health care provider, or educator EVER recommended that this child be evaluated for a		b. Listen carefully to you?				
	Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder? Examples of educators are teachers and school nurses.		c. Show sensitivity to your family's values and customs?				
	☐ Yes ☐ No		d. Provide the specific information you needed concerning this child?				
C3	Don't know 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	DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, did you, another caregiver, or a health care provider need to make any decisions regarding this child's health care, such as whether to get prescriptions, referrals, or procedures?			DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, did this child's health care provider communicate with the child's school, child care provider, or special education program?					
١	Yes			Yes					
١	No → SKIP to question D7			No → SKIP to question D13					
				Did not need health care provider these providers → SKIP to question			te with		
D	If yes, DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, how often did this child's doctors or other health care providers	O	16	·			lb tbo		
	Always Usually Sometimes Never a. Discuss with you the range of options to		hea	es, during this time, how satisfied Ith care provider's communicatior d care provider, or special educat	with t	he sch	nool,		
	consider for their health care or treatment?			Very satisfied					
	b. Make it easy for you to raise concerns or			Somewhat satisfied					
١	disagree with recommendations for this child's health			Somewhat dissatisfied					
١	care?			Very dissatisfied					
	c. Work with you to decide together which health care and	D13		any of this child's doctors or othe viders treat only children?	r healt	h care			
١	treatment choices would be best for this child?			Yes O					
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?			No → SKIP to question D15					
١	Yes	D14		s have they talked with you abounced to see doctors or other heal					
١	□ No	Ä	who	treat adults?					
	Did not see more than one health care provider in the PAST 12 MONTHS → SKIP to question			Yes					
D:	DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, have you felt that you								
I	could have used extra help arranging or coordinating this child's care among the different health care	DIE		this child's doctor or other health vely worked with this child to:	ı care	provia	er Don't		
١	providers or services?		a l	Make positive choices about	Yes	No	know		
١	Yes		1	their health. For example, by eating healthy, getting regular	Ш	Ш	Ш		
	No → SKIP to question pro		(exercise, not using tobacco, alcohol or other drugs, or					
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?		(delaying sexual activity?					
	Usually		- 1	Gain skills to manage their health and health care. For example, by understanding current					
١	Sometimes			health needs, knowing what to do in a medical emergency, or taking					
١	Never		1	medications they may need?					
D1	DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, how satisfied were you with the communication between this child's doctors and other health care providers?		 	Understand the changes in health care that happen at age 18. For example, by understanding changes in privacy,					
	☐ Very satisfied			consent, access to information, or decision-making?					
	☐ Somewhat satisfied								
	Somewhat dissatisfied								
	☐ Very dissatisfied								



010	Did you and this child receive a summary of your child's medical history (for example, medical conditions, allergies, medications, immunizations)?	ty	this child CURRENTLY covered by any of the following pes of health insurance or health coverage plans? ark (X) Yes or No for EACH item. Yes No
	☐ Yes	a.	Insurance through a current or former employer or union
	□ No	b.	Insurance purchased directly from an insurance company
D17	worked with you and this child to create a plan of care to meet their health goals and needs?	c.	Medicaid, Medical Assistance, or any kind of government assistance plan for those with low incomes or a disability
	☐ Ne > OK/B to averation ♠	d.	TRICARE or other military health care
D18	No → SKIP to question D20 If yes, do you and this child have access to this plan of	e.	Indian Health Service
1	care?	f.	Other, specify: □ □ □ □
	Yes		
	□ No	4 H	ow often does this child's health insurance offer
D19	Does this plan of care address transition to doctors and other health care providers who treat adults?		enefits or cover services that meet this child's needs?
	Yes		Always
	No		Usually
	☐ No, this child already sees providers who treat adults		Sometimes
D20	adulthood. Do you know how this child will be insured		worken does this child's health insurance allow the see the health care providers they need?
	☐ Yes → SKIP to question E1		Always
	□ No		Usually
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?		Sometimes
	☐ Yes		Never
	□ No		F. Providing for This Child's Health
	E. This Child's Health	4	
	Insurance Coverage	Sa	cluding co-pays and amounts reimbursed from Health avings Accounts (HSA) and Flexible Spending Accounts (SA), how much money did you pay for this child's
E 1	DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, was this child EVER covered by ANY kind of health insurance or health coverage plan?	m Pi pr	edical, health, dental, and vision care DURING THE AST 12 MONTHS? Do not include health insurance emiums or costs that were or will be reimbursed by surance or another source.
1	Yes, this child was covered all 12 months → SKIP to question		\$0 (No medical or health-related expenses) → SKIP to question F4 on page 12
	Yes, but this child had a gap in coverage	Г	\$1-\$249
	No → SKIP to question F1		\$250-\$499
E 2	Is this child CURRENTLY covered by ANY kind of health insurance or health coverage plan?		\$500-\$999
	Yes		\$1,000-\$5,000
	□ No → SKIP to question F1		More than \$5,000

E		G. This Child's Schooling and Activities
	Always	and Activities
	Usually	DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, about how many days
	Sometimes	did this child miss school because of illness or injury? Include days missed from any formal home schooling.
	Never	☐ No missed school days
E	DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, did your family have problems paying for any of this child's medical or health care bills?	□ 1-3 days □ 4-6 days
	☐ Yes	☐ 7-10 days
	□ No	☐ 11 or more days
F	DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, have you or other family members Yes No	This child was not enrolled in school → SKIP to question G3
	a Left a job or taken a leave of	2 DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, how many times has this child's school contacted you or another adult in your household about any problems they are having
	b. Cut down on the hours you work because of this child's health or health conditions?	with school? None
	c. Avoided changing jobs because of concerns about maintaining health insurance for this child?	1 time 2 or more times
E		Across all subjects, what grades did this child get during the 2023-2024 school year? Mostly A's
	This child does not need health care provided at nome on a weekly basis	☐ Mostly A's and B's
	Less than 1 hour per week	☐ Mostly B's and C's
	1-4 hours per week	☐ Mostly C's and D's
	5-10 hours per week	☐ Mostly D's or lower
	11 or more hours per week	This child's school does not give these grades
F	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 appointments or locating services?	4 SINCE STARTING KINDERGARTEN, has this child repeated any grades?
	This child does not need health care coordinated	☐ Yes
	on a weekly basis Less than 1 hour per week	□ No
	☐ 1-4 hours per week	
	5-10 hours per week	
	11 or more hours per week	

G		ING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, did this cipate in	child Yes	No	69	child	RING THE PAST 12 Nd bullied, picked on, not include siblings or	or exc	luded by	other child	lren?
		sports team or did they take sports essons after school or on weekends?					iged throughout the y				
		ny clubs or organizations after chool or on weekends?					Never (in the past 12 1-2 times (in the past				
	le	any other organized activities or essons, such as music, dance, anguage, or other arts?					1-2 times per month		muis)		
	V	any type of community service or colunteer work at school, place of vorship, or in the community?					1-2 times per week Almost every day				
	jo	any paid work, including regular obs as well as babysitting, cutting rass, or other occasional work?			G10	chile Do r	RING THE PAST 12 Not bully others, pick of the include siblings or	on them dating p	n <mark>, or excl</mark> partners.	ude them? If the freque	ency
G	DUR atter	ING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, how oftend events or activities that this child	en did yo participat	u ed in?		char	nged throughout the y	•		ghest freque	ency.
		Always				H	Never (in the past 12 1-2 times (in the past	7/	·		
		Usually					1-2 times per month	it ta inc	,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,		
		Sometimes					1-2 times per week				
		Rarely					Almost every day				
		Never			GII	How	often does this chi	ld			
G	this	ING THE PAST WEEK, on how many child exercise, play a sport, or partic sical activity for at least 60 minutes?				a S	1)	Always	Usually	Sometimes	Never
		0 days	R			b. \	Vork to finish tasks hey start?				
		1-3 days				c . S	Stay calm and in control when faced				
		4-6 days Every day				d . (vith a challenge? Care about doing vell in school?				
G	Com	pared to other children their age, ho culty does this child have making or	w much	rionde?			Oo all required nomework?				
		No difficulty	keeping i	rienus :		f. /	Argue too much?				
		A little difficulty					H. About	Vou	206	Thic	
		A lot of difficulty						Chile		11115	
					(11)	Was	this child born in th	ne Unite	ed States	?	
							Yes → SKIP to ques	KIP to question H3 on page 14			
					H2	If no	o, how long has this es?	child b	een livin	g in the Un	ited
							years AND		months	•	



•	How many times has this child moved to a new address since they were born? Number of times		child othe gam	MOST WEEKDAYS, about how much time did this d spend in front of a TV, computer, cellphone or er electronic device watching programs, playing les, accessing the internet or using social media? not include time spent doing schoolwork.				
H				Less than 1 hour				
I	time on weeknights?		Ш	1 hour				
١	Always			2 hours				
١	Usually			3 hours				
١	Sometimes			4 or more hours				
١	Rarely	H8	Ном	well can you and this child share ideas or talk				
١	Never			ut things that really matter?				
Œ	DURING THE PAST WEEK, how many hours of sleep			☐ Very well				
٦	did this child get on most weeknights?			Somewhat well				
	Less than 6 hours			Not very well				
١	6 hours			Not well at all				
١	☐ 7 hours	на	How	well do you think you are handling the day-to-day				
١	□ 8 hours	Ĭ		lands of raising children?				
١	9 hours		Z/	Very well				
١	□ 10 hours	\Rightarrow	A	Somewhat well				
١	11 or more hours	*		Not very well				
	DUDING THE DAST WEEK how many times did while			Not well at all				
Œ	drink sugary drinks such as soda, fruit drinks, sports	110	DUR	RING THE PAST MONTH, how often have you felt				
١	unities, or sweet teat bo not include 1000 hair gates.			Never Rarely Sometimes Usually Always				
١	This child did not drink sugary drinks			Fhat this child				
١	1-3 times during the past week		h	narder to care				
١	4-6 times during the past week		С	children heir age?				
١	1 time per day			Fhat this child				
١	2 times per day		c	does things				
١	☐ 3 or more times per day		b	pother you a lot?				
١			c. A	Angry with				
١			tl	his child?				
		111	that	RING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, was there someone you could turn to for day-to-day emotional support parenting or raising children?				
				Yes				
				No				



	I. About Your Family and Household		any time DURING THE PAST 12 MONTH e month, did anyone in your family rece		າ for
		a.	Cash assistance from a government	Yes	No
U	DURING THE PAST WEEK, on how many days did all the family members who live in the household eat a meal		welfare program?	Ш	
١	together?	D.	Food Stamps or Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) benefits?		
١	0 days	c.	Free or reduced-cost breakfasts or lunches at school?		
	1-3 days	d.	School meal debit/Electronic Benefits Transfer (EBT) cards?		
	4-6 days	e.	Benefits from the Women, Infants,		
١	□ Every day		and Children (WIC) Program?		
12	Does anyone living in your household use cigarettes, cigars, or pipe tobacco?	Se	es this child receive SSI, that is, Supple curity Income? It is different from Social Security.	∍mental	
١	Yes		Yes No No		
١	No → SKIP to question 14	L	→ If yes, is this for a disability they hav	e?	
13	If yes, does anyone smoke inside your home?		☐ Yes No		
٦	Yes	9 DL	IRING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, was then u were not able to pay the mortgage or	e a time	when
	□ No	yo	u were not able to pay the mortgage or	rent on	umer
	Dana amana amana an ana an		Tes .		
L		The state of the s	INO		
١	Yes	\mathbb{D}_{ϕ}	Don't know		
	□ No		IRING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, how ofte prried or stressed about being evicted, f		
15	SINCE THIS CHILD WAS BORN, how often has it been very hard to cover the basics, like food or housing,	or	having your housing condemned?		
١	on your family's income?		Always		
١	Never		Usually		
١	Rarely		Sometimes		
١	Somewhat often		Rarely		
١	☐ Very often		Never		
16	which of these statements best describes your		IRING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, how man	y times	has
I	household's ability to afford the food you need DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS?		1		
١	We could always afford to eat good nutritious meals.		0 times		
١	We could always afford enough to eat but not always		1 time		
	the kinds of food we should eat.		2 or more times		
	Sometimes we could not afford enough to eat.				
	Often we could not afford enough to eat.				



1		homeless or lived in a shelter? Include living in a shelter, motel, temporary or transitional living situation, scattered site housing, or having no steady place to sleep at night.					h: h: u:	appene appen i ncomfo	questions are d during this c n any family, b rtable with the stions you do r	hild's lit out some se ques	fe. These e people i tions. Yo	things ca may feel u may ski	ın	
		Yes					To the best of your knowledge, has this child EVER experienced any of the following?							
			No						Paren	it or guardian di			Yes	No
			Don't know						separa		ad			
(1	3	ln y	your neighborhood, i	s/are the	re	.,				it or guardian di it or guardian se		ne in		
		2	Sidewalks or walking	naths?		Yes	No		jail or	prison				
			A park or playground?					u.	hit, kid home	or heard parents ck, punch one a	nother in	n the		
		c.	A recreation center, c	ommunity				e.	. Was a	a victim of violer ce in their neigh				
			center, or boys' and g					f.	Lived	with anyone wh	no <mark>∖</mark> was n	nentally		
			A library or bookmobil Litter or garbage on the					g	Lived	cidal, or severe with anyone w			Ш	Ш
			or sidewalk?	10 011 001				h		llcohol or drugs ed or judged un	fairly he	rause of		
		f.	Poorly kept or rundow	n housing	g?				their r	ace or ethnic gi	oup			
			Vandalism such as br windows or graffiti?	oken				J.		ed or judged un tth condition or				
(1			what extent do you a				ts (ur family faces			often are	you
1		abo	out your neighborhoo	od or cor	nmunity	?	/	W/\mathcal{F}	kely to	do each of the	TOIIOWII	ng?		
			D	Definitely S	Somewhat	Somewhat	Definitely	())			All of	Most of		
		a.		Definitely S agree	Somewhat		Definitely disagree	\mathbb{Y}		ogether		Most of the time		None of the time
			People in this neighborhood help each other out			Somewhat		a .	about	ogether what to do				
			People in this neighborhood help each other out We watch out for			Somewhat		a.	about . Work solve	ogether what to do together to our problems				
			People in this neighborhood help each other out We watch out for each other's children in this			Somewhat		b.	about Work solve Know streng	ogether what to do together to our problems we have yths to draw on				
		b.	People in this neighborhood help each other out We watch out for each other's			Somewhat		b.	about Work solve Know streng Stay h	ogether what to do together to our problems we have				
		b. c.	People in this neighborhood help each other out We watch out for each other's children in this neighborhood This child is safe in our neighborhood			Somewhat	disagree	a. b. c. d.	about Work solve Know streng Stay h in diffi	ogether what to do together to our problems we have other to draw on nopeful even icult times	the time	the time	the time	the time
		b. c.	People in this neighborhood help each other out We watch out for each other's children in this neighborhood This child is safe in our			Somewhat	disagree	a. b. c. d.	about Work solve Know streng Stay h in diffi	ogether what to do together to our problems we have oths to draw on nopeful even icult times THE PAST 12 th care visits b	MONTH y video	the time	the time	the time
		b. c.	People in this neighborhood help each other out We watch out for each other's children in this neighborhood This child is safe in our neighborhood When we encounter difficulties, we know where to go for help in			Somewhat	disagree	a. b. c. d.	about Work solve Know streng Stay I in diffi	ogether what to do together to our problems we have oths to draw on nopeful even icult times THE PAST 12 th care visits b	MONTH y video	the time	the time	the time
Œ	5	b. c. d.	People in this neighborhood help each other out We watch out for each other's children in this neighborhood This child is safe in our neighborhood When we encounter difficulties, we know where to go for help in our community This child is safe	agree adults in this child we this c	n your h	Somewhat disagree	disagree	a. b. c. d.	about Work solve Know streng Stay I in diffi	ogether what to do together to our problems we have oths to draw on nopeful even icult times THE PAST 12 th care visits b	MONTH y video	the time	the time	the time



J. This Child's Caregivers What is your marital status? Married **About You** Not married, but living with a partner How are you related to this child? **Never Married** Biological or Adoptive Parent Divorced Step-parent Separated Grandparent Widowed Foster Parent In general, how is your physical health? Other: Relative Excellent Other: Non-Relative Very good What is your sex? Good Male Fair Female Poor What is your age? In general, how is your mental or emotional health? Excellent Age in years Very good Where were you born? Good In the United States Fair Outside of the United States Poor What is the highest grade or level of school you have completed? Which of the following best describes your current Mark (X) ONE box. 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) Retired Bachelor's Degree (BA, BS, AB) Master's Degree (MA, MS, MSW, MBA) Doctorate (PhD, EdD) or Professional Degree (MD, DDS, DVM, JD)



J10	Have you ever served on active duty in the U.S. Armed Forces, Reserves, or the National Guard? Mark (X) ONE box.	D	care	t is the highest grade or level of school this giver has completed? (X) ONE box.
١	Never served in the military → SKIP to question 112			8th grade or less
١	Only on active duty			9th-12th grade; No diploma
١	for training in the Reserves or National Guard → SKIP to question			High School Graduate or GED Completed
١	□ Now on active duty			Completed a vocational, trade, or business school program
١	On active duty in the past, but not now			Some College Credit, but no Degree
JI	Were you deployed at any time during this child's life?			Associate Degree (AA, AS)
T	Yes			Bachelor's Degree (BA, BS, AB)
١	□ No			Master's Degree (MA, MS, MSW, MBA)
JIZ	Does this child have another parent or adult caregiver			Doctorate (PhD, EdD) or Professional Degree (MD, DDS, DVM, 4D)
T	who lives in this household?			(INID, DDS, DVIN, DB)
١	Yes → Complete questions 113 - 123 for this other parent or adult caregiver	118	Wha	t is this caregiver's marital status?
١	No → SKIP to question K1 on page 19			Married
١				Not married, but living with a partner
١	Other Parent or Caregiver in the Household		P	Wever Married
		\Rightarrow	Â,	Divorced
JE		*		Separated
١	☐ Biological or Adoptive Parent ☐ Step-parent			Widowed
١		119	In ge	eneral, how is this caregiver's physical health?
١	□ Foster Parent			Excellent
١	Other: Relative			Very good
١	Other: Non-Relative			Good
				Fair
J14				Poor
١	☐ Male			
١	Female	20	In ge	eneral, how is this caregiver's mental or emotional th?
JI	What is this caregiver's age?			Excellent
١	Age in years			Very good
				Good
J16				Fair
	In the United States			Poor
	Outside of the United States			

J2	Which of the following best describes this caregiver's current employment status? Mark (X) ONE box.	Income in 2023 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.
	Employed full-time	a. Wages, salary, commissions, bonuses, or tips for
1	Employed part-time	all jobs.
	☐ Working WITHOUT pay	Yes → \$, .00
	□ Not employed but looking for work	No TOTAL AMOUNT in the last calendar year
	☐ Not employed and not looking for work	b. Self-employment income from own nonfarm businesses or farm business, including
	Retired	proprietorships and partnerships.
J2	Has this corregiver over served on active duty in the	☐ Yes → \$,
<u> </u>	Has this caregiver ever served on active duty in the U.S. Armed Forces, Reserves, or the National Guard? Mark (X) ONE box.	No TOTAL AMOUNT in the last calendar year
	Never served in the military → SKIP to question K1	c. Interest, dividends, net rental income, royalty income, or income from estates and trusts.
ı	Only on active duty for training in the Reserves or National Guard → SKIP to question	☐ Yes → .00 ☐ Loss
	□ Now on active duty	No TOTAL AMOUNT in the last calendar year
ı	On active duty in the past, but not now	d. Social Security or Railroad Retirement; retirement, survivor, or disability pensions.
J2	Was this caregiver deployed at any time during this	Yes → \$.00 .00
I	child's life?	No TOTAL AMOUNT in the last calendar year
l	☐ Yes ☐ No	e. Supplemental Security Income (SSI); any public assistance or welfare payments from the state or local welfare office.
	K. Household Information	☐ Yes → \$.00
K1	How many people are living or staying at this address?	No TOTAL AMOUNT in the last calendar year
ı	Include everyone who usually lives of 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.	f. Any other sources of income received regularly such as Veterans' (VA) payments, unemployment compensation, child support, or alimony.
	Number of people	☐ Yes → \$, .00
		No TOTAL AMOUNT in the last calendar year
K	and the second control of the second control	The following question is about your 2023 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. \$ 100 Loss TOTAL AMOUNT in the last calendar year.
		in the last calendar year



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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