



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

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.

We now have some follow-up questions to ask about:

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.

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.

The survey should be completed by an adult who is familiar with this child's health and health care.

Your participation is important. Thank you.

A. This Child's Health

A1 In general, how would you describe this child's health (the one named above)?

- Excellent
- Very good
- Good
- Fair
- Poor

A2 How would you describe the condition of this child's teeth?

- This child does not have any teeth
- Excellent
- Very good
- Good
- Fair
- Poor

A3 How often...

	Always	Usually	Sometimes	Never
a. Is this child affectionate and tender with you?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b. Does this child bounce back quickly when things do not go his or her way?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
c. Does this child show interest and curiosity in learning new things?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
d. Does this child smile and laugh?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

A4 DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, has this child had FREQUENT or CHRONIC difficulty with any of the following?

	Yes	No
a. Breathing or other respiratory problems (such as wheezing or shortness of breath)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b. Eating or swallowing because of a health condition	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
c. Digesting food, including stomach/intestinal problems, constipation, or diarrhea	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
d. Repeated or chronic physical pain, including headaches or other back or body pain	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
e. Using his or her hands	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
f. Coordination or moving around	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
g. Toothaches	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
h. Bleeding gums	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
i. Decayed teeth or cavities	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

A5 Does this child have any of the following?

	Yes	No
a. Deafness or problems with hearing	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b. Blindness or problems with seeing, even when wearing glasses	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>



Has a doctor or other health care provider EVER told you that this child has...

A6 Allergies (including food, drug, insect, or other)?

Yes No

↳ If yes, does this child CURRENTLY have the condition?

Yes No

↳ If yes, is it:

Mild Moderate Severe

A7 Arthritis?

Yes No

↳ If yes, does this child CURRENTLY have the condition?

Yes No

↳ If yes, is it:

Mild Moderate Severe

A8 Asthma?

Yes No

↳ If yes, does this child CURRENTLY have the condition?

Yes No

↳ If yes, is it:

Mild Moderate Severe

A9 Brain injury, concussion or head injury?

Yes No

↳ If yes, does this child CURRENTLY have the condition?

Yes No

↳ If yes, is it:

Mild Moderate Severe

A10 Cerebral Palsy?

Yes No

↳ If yes, does this child CURRENTLY have the condition?

Yes No

↳ If yes, is it:

Mild Moderate Severe

A11 Diabetes?

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...

A12 Epilepsy or Seizure Disorder?

Yes No

↳ If yes, does this child CURRENTLY have the condition?

Yes No

↳ If yes, is it:

Mild Moderate Severe

A13 Heart Condition?

Yes No

↳ If yes, does this child CURRENTLY have the condition?

Yes No

↳ If yes, is it:

Mild Moderate Severe

A14 Frequent or severe headaches, including migraine?

Yes No

↳ If yes, does this child CURRENTLY have the condition?

Yes No

↳ If yes, is it:

Mild Moderate Severe

A15 Tourette Syndrome?

Yes No

↳ If yes, does this child CURRENTLY have the condition?

Yes No

↳ If yes, is it:

Mild Moderate Severe

A16 Anxiety Problems?

Yes No

↳ If yes, does this child CURRENTLY have the condition?

Yes No

↳ If yes, is it:

Mild Moderate Severe

A17 Depression?

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...

A18 Down Syndrome?

Yes No

↳ If yes, does this child CURRENTLY have the condition?

Yes No

↳ If yes, is it:

Mild Moderate Severe

A19 Blood Disorders (such as Sickle Cell Disease, Thalassemia, or Hemophilia)?

Yes No

↳ If yes, is it:

Mild Moderate Severe

Was this condition identified through a blood test done shortly after birth? *These tests are sometimes called newborn screening.*

Yes No

↳ If yes, was this child diagnosed with:

Sickle Cell Disease? Yes No

Thalassemia? Yes No

Hemophilia? Yes No

Other Blood Disorders? Yes No

A20 Cystic Fibrosis?

Yes No

↳ If yes, is it:

Mild Moderate Severe

If yes, was this condition identified through a blood test done shortly after birth? *These tests are sometimes called newborn screening.*

Yes No

Has a doctor or other health care provider EVER told you that this child has...

A21 Other genetic or inherited condition?

Yes No

↳ If yes, specify: ↴

↳ Is it:

Mild Moderate Severe

Was this condition identified through a blood test done shortly after birth? *These tests are sometimes called newborn screening.*

Yes No

Has a doctor, other health care provider, or educator EVER told you that this child has...

Examples of educators are teachers and school nurses.

A22 Behavioral or Conduct Problems?

Yes No

↳ If yes, does this child CURRENTLY have the condition?

Yes No

↳ If yes, is it:

Mild Moderate Severe

A23 Developmental Delay?

Yes No

↳ If yes, does this child CURRENTLY have the condition?

Yes No

↳ If yes, is it:

Mild Moderate Severe

A24 Intellectual Disability (formerly known as Mental Retardation)?

Yes No

↳ If yes, does this child CURRENTLY have the disability?

Yes No

↳ If yes, is it:

Mild Moderate Severe



Has a doctor, other health care provider, or educator **EVER** told you that this child has...

Examples of educators are teachers and school nurses.

A25 Speech or other language disorder?

Yes No

↳ If yes, does this child **CURRENTLY** have the condition?

Yes No

↳ If yes, is it:

Mild Moderate Severe

A26 Learning Disability?

Yes No

↳ If yes, does this child **CURRENTLY** have the disability?

Yes No

↳ If yes, is it:

Mild Moderate Severe

Has a doctor or other health care provider **EVER** told you that this child has...

A27 Any other mental health condition?

Yes No

↳ If yes, specify: ↘

↳ If yes, does this child **CURRENTLY** have the condition?

Yes No

↳ If yes, is it:

Mild Moderate Severe

A28 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).

Yes No → **SKIP to question A33**

↳ If yes, does this child **CURRENTLY** have the condition?

Yes No

↳ If yes, is it:

Mild Moderate Severe

A29 How old was this child when a doctor or other health care provider **FIRST** told you that he or she had Autism, ASD, Asperger's Disorder or PDD?

Age in years Don't know

A30 What type of doctor or other health care provider was the **FIRST** to tell you that this child had Autism, ASD, Asperger's Disorder or PDD? *Mark (X) ONE box.*

Primary Care Provider

Specialist

School Psychologist/Counselor

Other Psychologist (Non-School)

Psychiatrist

Other, specify: ↘

Don't know

A31 Is this child **CURRENTLY** taking medication for Autism, ASD, Asperger's Disorder or PDD?

Yes No

A32 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 his or her behavior?

Yes No

A33 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?

Yes No → **SKIP to question A36 on page 6**

↳ If yes, does this child **CURRENTLY** have the condition?

Yes No

↳ If yes, is it:

Mild Moderate Severe

A34 Is this child **CURRENTLY** taking medication for ADD or ADHD?

Yes No



A35 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 child received to help with his or her behavior?

Yes No

A36 DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, how often have this child's health conditions or problems affected his or her ability to do things other children his or her age do?

This child does not have any health conditions → **SKIP to question B1**

Never

Sometimes

Usually

Always

A37 To what extent do this child's health conditions or problems affect his or her ability to do things?

Very little

Somewhat

A great deal

B. This Child as an Infant

B1 Was this child born more than 3 weeks before his or her due date?

Yes

No

B2 How much did he or she weigh when born? Answer in pounds and ounces OR kilograms and grams. Your best estimate is fine.

pounds AND ounces

OR

kilograms AND grams

B3 What was the age of the mother when this child was born? Your best estimate is fine.

Age in years

B4 Was this child EVER breastfed or fed breast milk?

Yes

No → **SKIP to question B6**

B5 If yes, how old was this child when he or she COMPLETELY stopped breastfeeding or being fed breast milk?

days

OR

weeks

OR

months

OR

Check this box if child is still breastfeeding

B6 How old was this child when he or she was FIRST fed formula?

Check this box if child has never been fed formula

OR

At birth

OR

days

OR

weeks

OR

months

B7 How old was this child when he or she was FIRST fed anything other than breast milk or formula? Include juice, cow's milk, sugar water, baby food, or anything else that your child might have been given, even water.

Check this box if child has never been fed anything other than breast milk or formula

OR

At birth

OR

days

OR

weeks

OR

months



C. Health Care Services

C1 DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, did this child see a doctor, nurse, or other health care professional for medical care (for example, preventive care, sick care, hospitalizations)?

Yes

No → **SKIP to question C4**

C2 If yes, DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, how many times did this child visit a doctor, nurse, or other health care professional to receive a PREVENTIVE check-up?

A preventive check-up is when this child was not sick or injured, such as an annual or sports physical, or well-child visit.

0 visits

1 visit

2 or more visits

C3 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.*

Less than 10 minutes

10-20 minutes

More than 20 minutes

C4 What is this child's CURRENT height? *Your best estimate is fine.*

feet AND inches

OR

meters AND centimeters

C5 How much does this child CURRENTLY weigh? *Your best estimate is fine.*

pounds AND ounces

OR

kilograms AND grams

C6 Are you concerned about this child's weight?

Yes, it's too high

Yes, it's too low

No, I am not concerned

C7 Has a doctor or other health care provider ever told you that this child is overweight?

Yes

No

C8 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

C9 Answer the following question only if this child is at least 9 months old. Otherwise skip to question C10.

DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, did a doctor or other health care provider have you or another caregiver fill out a questionnaire about observations or concerns you may have about this child's development, communication, or social behaviors? *Sometimes a child's doctor or other health care provider will ask a parent to do this at home or during a child's visit.*

Yes No

→ If yes, and this child is 9-23 Months:

Did the questionnaire ask about your concerns or observations about: Mark (X) ALL that apply.

How this child talks or makes speech sounds?

How this child interacts with you and others?

→ If yes, and this child is 2-5 Years:

Did the questionnaire ask about your concerns or observations about: Mark (X) ALL that apply.

Words and phrases this child uses and understands?

How this child behaves and gets along with you and others?

C10 Is there a place you or another caregiver USUALLY take this child when he or she is sick or you need advice about his or her health?

Yes

No → **SKIP to question C12 on page 8**

C11 If yes, where does this child USUALLY go first? Mark (X) ONE box.

Doctor's Office

Hospital Emergency Room

Hospital Outpatient Department

Clinic or Health Center

Retail Store Clinic or "Minute Clinic"

School (Nurse's Office, Athletic Trainer's Office)

Some other place



C12 Is there a place that this child **USUALLY** goes when he or she needs routine preventive care, such as a physical examination or well-child check-up?

- Yes
- No → **SKIP to question C14**

C13 If yes, is this the same place this child goes when he or she is sick?

- Yes
- No

C14 **DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS**, has this child had his or her vision tested, such as with pictures, shapes, or letters?

- Yes
- No → **SKIP to question C16**

C15 If yes, where was this child's vision tested?
Mark (X) ALL that apply.

- Eye doctor or eye specialist (ophthalmologist, optometrist) office
- Pediatrician or other general doctor's office
- Clinic or health center
- School
- Other, specify:

C16 **DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS**, did this child see a dentist or other oral health care provider for any kind of dental or oral health care?

- Yes, saw a dentist
- Yes, saw other oral health care provider
- No → **SKIP to question C19**

C17 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?

- No preventive visits in the past 12 months → **SKIP to question C19**
- Yes, 1 visit
- Yes, 2 or more visits

C18 If yes, **DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS**, what preventive dental service(s) did this child receive? Mark (X) ALL that apply.

- Check-up
- Cleaning
- Instruction on tooth brushing and oral health care
- X-Rays
- Fluoride treatment
- Sealant (plastic coatings on back teeth)
- Don't know

C19 **DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS**, has this child received any treatment or counseling from a mental health professional? *Mental health professionals include psychiatrists, psychologists, psychiatric nurses, and clinical social workers.*

- Yes
- No, but this child needed to see a mental health professional
- No, this child did not need to see a mental health professional → **SKIP to question C21**

C20 How difficult was it to get the mental health treatment or counseling that this child needed?

- Very difficult
- Somewhat difficult
- Not difficult
- It was not possible to obtain care

C21 **DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS**, has this child taken any medication because of difficulties with his or her emotions, concentration, or behavior?

- Yes
- No

C22 **DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS**, did this child see a specialist other than a mental health professional? *Specialists are doctors like surgeons, heart doctors, allergy doctors, skin doctors, and others who specialize in one area of health care.*

- Yes
- No, but this child needed to see a specialist
- No, this child did not need to see a specialist → **SKIP to question C24 on page 9**



C23 How difficult was it to get the specialist care that this child needed?

- Very difficult
- Somewhat difficult
- Not difficult
- It was not possible to obtain care

C24 DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, did this child use any type of alternative health care or treatment? *Alternative health care can include acupuncture, chiropractic care, relaxation therapies, herbal supplements, and others. Some therapies involve seeing a health care provider, while others can be done on your own.*

- Yes
- No

C25 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 as other kinds of care like dental care, vision care, and mental health services.*

- Yes
- No → **SKIP to question C28**

C26 If yes, which types of care were not received? Mark (X) ALL that apply.

- Medical Care
- Dental Care
- Vision Care
- Hearing Care
- Mental Health Services
- Other, specify:

C27 Did any of the following reasons contribute to this child not receiving needed health services? Mark (X) Yes or No for each item.

	Yes	No
a. This child was not eligible for the services	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b. The services this child needed were not available in your area	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
c. There were problems getting an appointment when this child needed one	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
d. There were problems with getting transportation or child care	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
e. The clinic or doctor's office wasn't open when this child needed care	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
f. There were issues related to cost	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

C28 DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, how often were you frustrated in your efforts to get services for this child?

- Never
- Sometimes
- Usually
- Always

C29 DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, how many times did this child visit a hospital emergency room?

- None
- 1 time
- 2 or more times

C30 DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, was this child admitted to the hospital to stay for at least one night?

- Yes
- No

C31 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
- No → **SKIP to question C34**

C32 If yes, how old was this child at the time of the FIRST plan?

Years AND Months

C33 Is this child CURRENTLY receiving services under one of these plans?

- Yes
- No

C34 Has this child EVER received special services to meet his or her developmental needs such as speech, occupational, or behavioral therapy?

- Yes
- No → **SKIP to question D1 on page 10**

C35 If yes, how old was this child when he or she began receiving these special services?

Years AND Months

C36 Is this child CURRENTLY receiving these special services?

- Yes
- No



D. Experience with This Child's Health Care Providers

D1 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's assistant.

- Yes, one person
- Yes, more than one person
- No

D2 DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, did this child need a referral to see any doctors or receive any services?

- Yes
- No → **SKIP to question D4**

D3 How difficult was it to get referrals?

- Very difficult
- Somewhat difficult
- Not difficult
- It was not possible to get a referral

D4 Answer the following questions only if this child has had a health care visit IN THE PAST 12 MONTHS. Otherwise skip to Section E on page 11.

DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, how often did this child's doctors or other health care providers...

- | | Always | Usually | Sometimes | Never |
|---|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| a. Spend enough time with this child? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| b. Listen carefully to you? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| c. Show sensitivity to your family's values and customs? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| d. Provide the specific information you needed concerning this child? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| e. Help you feel like a partner in this child's care? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

D5 DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, did this child need any decisions to be made regarding his or her health care, such as whether to get prescriptions, referrals, or procedures?

- Yes
- No → **SKIP to question D7**

D6 If yes, DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, how often did this child's doctors or other health care providers...

- | | Always | Usually | Sometimes | Never |
|---|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| a. Discuss with you the range of options to consider for his or her health care or treatment? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| b. Make it easy for you to raise concerns or disagree with recommendations for this child's health care? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| c. Work with you to decide together which health care and treatment choices would be best for this child? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

D7 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
- Yes
- Did not see more than one health care provider in PAST 12 MONTHS

D8 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**

D9 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

D10 DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, how satisfied were you with the communication among this child's doctors and other health care providers?

- Very satisfied
- Somewhat satisfied
- Somewhat dissatisfied
- Very dissatisfied



D11 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?

- Yes
- No → **SKIP to question E1**
- Did not need health care provider to communicate with these providers → **SKIP to question E1**

D12 If yes, during this time, how satisfied were you with the health care provider's communication with the school, child care provider, or special education program?

- Very satisfied
- Somewhat satisfied
- Somewhat dissatisfied
- Very dissatisfied

E. This Child's Health Insurance Coverage

E1 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 E4**
- Yes, but this child had a gap in coverage
- No

E2 Indicate whether any of the following is a reason this child was not covered by health insurance at any time DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS:

	Yes	No
a. Change in employer or employment status	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b. Cancellation due to overdue premiums	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
c. Dropped coverage because it was unaffordable	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
d. Dropped coverage because benefits were inadequate	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
e. Dropped coverage because choice of health care providers was inadequate	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
f. Problems with application or renewal process	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
g. Other, specify: ↘	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

E3 Is this child CURRENTLY covered by ANY kind of health insurance or health coverage plan?

- Yes
- No → **SKIP to question F1 on page 12**

E4 Is this child CURRENTLY covered by any of the following types of health insurance or health coverage plans? Mark (X) Yes or No for EACH item.

	Yes	No
a. Insurance through a current or former employer or union	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b. Insurance purchased directly from an insurance company	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
c. Medicaid, Medical Assistance, or any kind of government assistance plan for those with low incomes or a disability	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
d. TRICARE or other military health care	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
e. Indian Health Service	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
f. Other, specify: ↘	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

E5 How often does this child's health insurance offer benefits or cover services that meet this child's needs?

- Always
- Usually
- Sometimes
- Never

E6 How often does this child's health insurance allow him or her to see the health care providers he or she needs?

- Always
- Usually
- Sometimes
- Never

E7 Thinking specifically about this child's mental or behavioral health needs, how often does this child's health insurance offer benefits or cover services that meet these needs?

- This child does not use mental or behavioral health services
- Always
- Usually
- Sometimes
- Never



F. Providing for This Child's Health

F1 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.

- \$0 (No medical or health-related expenses) → SKIP to question **F4**
- \$1-\$249
- \$250-\$499
- \$500-\$999
- \$1,000-\$5,000
- More than \$5,000

F2 How often are these costs reasonable?

- Always
- Usually
- Sometimes
- Never

F3 DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, did your family have problems paying for any of this child's medical or health care bills?

- Yes
- No

F4 DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, have you or other family members...

- | | Yes | No |
|---|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| a. Left a job or taken a leave of absence because of this child's health or health conditions? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| b. Cut down on the hours you work because of this child's health or health conditions? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| c. Avoided changing jobs because of concerns about maintaining health insurance for this child? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

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.

- This child does not need health care provided on a weekly basis
- Less than 1 hour per week
- 1-4 hours per week
- 5-10 hours per week
- 11 or more hours per week

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 appointments or locating services?

- This child does not need health care coordinated on a weekly basis
- Less than 1 hour per week
- 1-4 hours per week
- 5-10 hours per week
- 11 or more hours per week

G. This Child's Learning

Answer the following question only if this child is at least 1 year old. Otherwise skip to **H1** on page 15.

G1 Is this child able to do the following...

Mark (X) Yes or No for each item.

- | | Yes | No |
|--|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| a. Say at least one word, such as "hi" or "dog"? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| b. Use 2 words together, such as "car go"? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| c. Use 3 words together in a sentence, such as, "Mommy come now."? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| d. Ask questions like "who," "what," "when," "where"? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| e. Ask questions like "why" and "how"? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| f. Tell a story with a beginning, middle, and end? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| g. Understand the meaning of the word "no"? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| h. Follow a verbal direction without hand gestures, such as "Wash your hands."? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| i. Point to things in a book when asked? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| j. Follow 2-step directions, such as "Get your shoes and put them in the basket."? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| k. Understand words such as "in," "on," and "under"? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |



G2 Is this child 3 years old or older?

- Yes
- No → **SKIP to question H1 on page 15**

G3 Has this child started school? *Include any formal home schooling.*

- Yes, preschool
- Yes, kindergarten
- Yes, first grade
- No

G4 Are you concerned about how this child is learning to do things for him or herself?

- Yes, somewhat concerned
- Yes, very concerned
- No

G5 How confident are you that this child is ready to be in school?

- Completely confident
- Mostly confident
- Somewhat confident
- Not at all confident

G6 How often can this child recognize the beginning sound of a word? *For example, can this child tell you that the word "ball" starts with the "buh" sound?*

- Always
- Most of the time
- About half the time
- Sometimes
- Never

G7 About how many letters of the alphabet can this child recognize?

- All of them
- Most of them
- About half of them
- Some of them
- None of them

G8 Can this child rhyme words?

- Yes
- No

G9 How often can this child explain things he or she has seen or done so that you get a very good idea what happened?

- Always
- Most of the time
- About half the time
- Sometimes
- Never

G10 How often can this child write his or her first name, even if some of the letters aren't quite right or are backwards?

- Always
- Most of the time
- About half the time
- Sometimes
- Never

G11 How high can this child count?

- This child cannot count
- Up to five
- Up to ten
- Up to 20
- Up to 50
- Up to 100 or more

G12 How often can this child identify basic shapes such as a triangle, circle, or square?

- Always
- Most of the time
- About half the time
- Sometimes
- Never



G13 Can this child identify the colors red, yellow, blue, and green by name?

- Yes, all of them
- Yes, some of them
- No, none of them

G14 How often is this child easily distracted?

- Always
- Most of the time
- About half the time
- Sometimes
- Never

G15 How often does this child keep working at something until he or she is finished?

- Always
- Most of the time
- About half the time
- Sometimes
- Never

G16 When this child is paying attention, how often can he or she follow instructions to complete a simple task?

- Always
- Most of the time
- About half the time
- Sometimes
- Never

G17 How does this child usually hold a pencil?

- Uses fingers to hold the pencil
- Grips the pencil in his or her fist
- This child cannot hold a pencil

G18 How often does this child play well with others?

- Always
- Most of the time
- About half the time
- Sometimes
- Never

G19 How often does this child become angry or anxious when going from one activity to another?

- Always
- Most of the time
- About half the time
- Sometimes
- Never

G20 How often does this child show concern when others are hurt or unhappy?

- Always
- Most of the time
- About half the time
- Sometimes
- Never

G21 When excited or all wound up, how often can this child calm down quickly?

- Always
- Most of the time
- About half the time
- Sometimes
- Never

G22 How often does this child lose control of his or her temper when things do not go his or her way?

- Always
- Most of the time
- About half the time
- Sometimes
- Never

G23 Compared to other children his or her age, how much difficulty does this child have making or keeping friends?

- A lot of difficulty
- A little difficulty
- No difficulty



G24 Compared to other children his or her age, how often is this child able to sit still?

- Always
- Most of the time
- About half the time
- Sometimes
- Never

H. About You and This Child

H1 Was this child born in the United States?

- Yes → **SKIP to question H3**
- No

H2 If no, how long has this child been living in the United States?

Years AND Months

H3 How many times has this child moved to a new address since he or she was born?

Number of times

H4 How often does this child go to bed at about the same time on weeknights?

- Always
- Usually
- Sometimes
- Rarely
- Never

H5 DURING THE PAST WEEK, how many hours of sleep did this child get during an average day (count both nighttime sleep and naps)?

- Less than 7 hours
- 7 hours
- 8 hours
- 9 hours
- 10 hours
- 11 hours
- 12 or more hours

H6 Answer the next question only if this child is **LESS THAN 12 MONTHS OLD**. Otherwise, **SKIP** to question **H7**.

In which position do you most often lay this baby down to sleep now? Mark (X) **ONE** box.

- On his or her side
- On his or her back
- On his or her stomach

H7 ON MOST WEEKDAYS, about how much time did this child spend in front of a TV, computer, cellphone or other electronic device watching programs, playing games, accessing the internet or using social media? Do not include time spent doing schoolwork.

- Less than 1 hour
- 1 hour
- 2 hours
- 3 hours
- 4 or more hours

H8 DURING THE PAST WEEK, how many days did you or other family members read to this child?

- 0 days
- 1-3 days
- 4-6 days
- Every day

H9 DURING THE PAST WEEK, how many days did you or other family members tell stories or sing songs to this child?

- 0 days
- 1-3 days
- 4-6 days
- Every day

H10 How well do you think you are handling the day-to-day demands of raising children?

- Very well
- Somewhat well
- Not very well
- Not at all



H11 DURING THE PAST MONTH, how often have you felt...

- | | Never | Rarely | Sometimes | Usually | Always |
|--|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| a. That this child is much harder to care for than most children his or her age? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| b. That this child does things that really bother you a lot? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| c. Angry with this child? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

H12 DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, was there someone that you could turn to for day-to-day emotional support with parenting or raising children?

- Yes
- No → **SKIP to question H14**

H13 If yes, did you receive emotional support from...

- | | Yes | No |
|--|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| a. Spouse or domestic partner? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| b. Other family member or close friend? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| c. Health care provider? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| d. Place of worship or religious leader? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| e. Support or advocacy group related to specific health condition? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| f. Peer support group? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| g. Counselor or other mental health professional? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| h. Other person, specify: <input type="text"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

H14 Does this child receive care for at least 10 hours per week from someone other than his or her parent or guardian? *This could be a day care center, preschool, Head Start program, family child care home, nanny, au pair, babysitter or relative.*

- Yes
- No

H15 DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, did you or anyone in the family have to quit a job, not take a job, or greatly change your job because of problems with child care for this child?

- Yes
- No

I. About Your Family and Household

I1 DURING THE PAST WEEK, on how many days did all the family members who live in the household eat a meal together?

- 0 days
- 1-3 days
- 4-6 days
- Every day

I2 Does anyone living in your household use cigarettes, cigars, or pipe tobacco?

- Yes
- No → **SKIP to question I4**

I3 If yes, does anyone smoke inside your home?

- Yes
- No

I4 DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, how often were pesticides used inside your residence to control for insects? *If the frequency changed throughout the year, report the highest frequency.*

- More than once a week
- Once a week
- Once a month
- Once every 2-5 months
- Once every 6 months
- Once during the past 12 months
- Never
- Don't know

I5 DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, other than in a shower or bathtub, have you seen any mold, mildew or other signs of water damage on walls or other surfaces inside your home?

- Yes
- No



16 When your family faces problems, how often are you likely to do each of the following?

	All of the time	Most of the time	Some of the time	None of the time
a. Talk together about what to do	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b. Work together to solve our problems	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
c. Know we have strengths to draw on	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
d. Stay hopeful even in difficult times	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

17 SINCE THIS CHILD WAS BORN, how often has it been very hard to cover the basics, like food and housing, on your family's income?

Never

Rarely

Somewhat often

Very often

18 Which of these statements best describes your household's ability to afford the food you need DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS?

We could always afford to eat good nutritious meals.

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.

19 At any time DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, even for one month, did anyone in your family receive...

	Yes	No
a. Cash assistance from a government welfare program?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b. Food Stamps or Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) benefits?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
c. Free or reduced-cost breakfasts or lunches at school?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
d. Benefits from the Woman, Infants, and Children (WIC) Program?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

110 In your neighborhood, is/are there...

	Yes	No
a. Sidewalks or walking paths?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b. A park or playground?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
c. A recreation center, community center, or boys' and girls' club?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
d. A library or bookmobile?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
e. Litter or garbage on the street or sidewalk?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
f. Poorly kept or rundown housing?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
g. Vandalism such as broken windows or graffiti?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

111 To what extent do you agree with these statements about your neighborhood or community?

	Definitely agree	Somewhat agree	Somewhat disagree	Definitely disagree
a. People in this neighborhood help each other out	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b. We watch out for each other's children in this neighborhood	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
c. This child is safe in our neighborhood	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
d. When we encounter difficulties, we know where to go for help in our community	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

112 The next questions are about events that may have happened during this child's life. These things can happen in any family, but some people may feel uncomfortable with these questions. You may skip any questions you do not want to answer.

To the best of your knowledge, has this child EVER experienced any of the following?

	Yes	No
a. Parent or guardian divorced or separated	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b. Parent or guardian died	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
c. Parent or guardian served time in jail	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
d. Saw or heard parents or adults slap, hit, kick, punch one another in the home	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
e. Was a victim of violence or witnessed violence in his or her neighborhood	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
f. Lived with anyone who was mentally ill, suicidal, or severely depressed	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
g. Lived with anyone who had a problem with alcohol or drugs	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
h. Treated or judged unfairly because of his or her race or ethnic group	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>



J. Child's Caregivers

→ Complete the questions for up to two adults in the household who are this child's primary caregivers. If there is just one adult primary caregiver, provide answers for that adult.

J1 How are you related to this child?

- Biological or Adoptive Parent
- Step-parent
- Grandparent
- Foster Parent
- Other: Relative
- Other: Non-Relative

J2 What is your sex?

- Male
- Female

J3 What is your age?

Age in years

J4 Where were you born?

- In the United States → **SKIP to question J6**
- Outside of the United States

J5 When did you come to live in the United States?

Year

J6 What is the highest grade or level of school you have completed? Mark (X) *ONE* box.

- 8th grade or less
- 9th-12th grade; No diploma
- High School Graduate or GED Completed
- Completed a vocational, trade, or business school program
- Some College Credit, but no Degree
- 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)

J7 What is your marital status?

- Married
- Not married, but living with a partner
- Never Married
- Divorced
- Separated
- Widowed

J8 In general, how is your physical health?

- Excellent
- Very Good
- Good
- Fair
- Poor

J9 In general, how is your mental or emotional health?

- Excellent
- Very Good
- Good
- Fair
- Poor

J10 Were you employed at least 50 out of the past 52 weeks?

- Yes
- No

J11 Have you ever served on active duty in the U.S. Armed Forces, Reserves, or the National Guard? Mark (X) *ONE* box.

- Never served in the military → **SKIP to question J13 on page 19**
- Only on active duty for training in the Reserves or National Guard → **SKIP to question J13 on page 19**
- Now on active duty
- On active duty in the past, but not now

J12 Were you deployed at any time during this child's life?

- Yes
- No



Questions J13 - J24 ask about another adult primary caregiver who may be in the household in addition to yourself.

J13 How is this adult primary caregiver in the household related to this child?

- There is only one primary adult caregiver for this child → **SKIP to question K1 on page 20**
- Biological or Adoptive Parent
- Step-parent
- Grandparent
- Foster Parent
- Other: Relative
- Other: Non-Relative

J14 What is this primary caregiver's sex?

- Male
- Female

J15 What is this primary caregiver's age?

Age in years

J16 Where was this primary caregiver born?

- In the United States → **SKIP to question J18**
- Outside of the United States

J17 When did this primary caregiver come to live in the United States?

Year

J18 What is the highest grade or level of school this primary caregiver has completed? Mark (X) ONE box.

- 8th grade or less
- 9th-12th grade; No diploma
- High School Graduate or GED Completed
- Completed a vocational, trade, or business school program
- Some College Credit, but no Degree
- 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)

J19 What is this primary caregiver's marital status?

- Married
- Not married, but living with a partner
- Never Married
- Divorced
- Separated
- Widowed

J20 In general, how is this primary caregiver's physical health?

- Excellent
- Very Good
- Good
- Fair
- Poor

J21 In general, how is this primary caregiver's mental or emotional health?

- Excellent
- Very Good
- Good
- Fair
- Poor

J22 Was this primary caregiver employed at least 50 out of the past 52 weeks?

- Yes
- No

J23 Has this primary caregiver ever served on active duty in the U.S. Armed Forces, Reserves, or the National Guard? Mark (X) ONE box.

- Never served in the military → **SKIP to question K1 on page 20**
- Only on active duty for training in the Reserves or National Guard → **SKIP to question K1 on page 20**
- Now on active duty
- On active duty in the past, but not now

J24 Was this primary caregiver deployed at any time during this child's life?

- Yes
- No



K. Household Information

- K1** 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.

Number of people

- K2** How many of these people in your household are family members? Family is defined as anyone related to this child by blood, marriage, adoption, or through foster care.

Number of people

K3 Income in 2017

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.

- a. Wages, salary, commissions, bonuses, or tips for all jobs.

Yes →

No

TOTAL AMOUNT
in the last calendar year

- b. Self-employment income from own nonfarm businesses or farm business, including proprietorships and partnerships.

Yes →

Loss

No

TOTAL AMOUNT
in the last calendar year

- c. Interest, dividends, net rental income, royalty income, or income from estates and trusts.

Yes →

Loss

No

TOTAL AMOUNT
in the last calendar year

- d. Social security or railroad retirement; retirement, survivor, or disability pensions.

Yes →

No

TOTAL AMOUNT
in the last calendar year

- e. Supplemental security income (SSI); any public assistance or welfare payments from the state or local welfare office.

Yes →

No

TOTAL AMOUNT
in the last calendar year

- f. Any other sources of income received regularly such as Veterans' (VA) payments, unemployment compensation, child support, or alimony.

Yes →

No

TOTAL AMOUNT
in the last calendar year

K4

- The following question is about your 2017 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.

TOTAL AMOUNT
in the last calendar year

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Thank you for your participation.

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