

## CDC Water and Health Study

## Instructions

An adult (18 years old or over) should fill out this survey. If there are children less than 18 in the house, the adult should fill out the survey for them.

Participation is voluntary. Return of a completed survey indicates your consent to participate. For more information, please see the enclosed brochure.


## Section 1 Household Water Use

In this first section, we'd like to ask some general questions about your household water use. We are asking about drinking water from your water utility, or "tap water" that comes from your house. For these questions, it does not matter if you filter the water.

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Please mark all of the ways that you and the people in your household have used tap water in the last 30 days. (check all that apply)
$\square$ Drinking
$\square$ Mixing cold drinks
$\square$ Making hot drinks
$\square$ Mixing infant formula
$\square$ Making ice
$\square$ Rinsing produce
$\square$ Cooking
$\square$ Washing dishes
$\square$ Brushing teeth
$\square$ Washing hands
$\square$ Bathing/showering
$\square$ Contact lens care
$\square$ Watering plants or lawn
$\square$ Feeding/watering animals
$\square$ Filling wading or baby pool
$\square$ Filling swimming pool or hot tubIndoor or outdoor fountain
$\square$ Vaporizer or humidifierNebulizer or CPAPNasal/sinus irrigation or Neti pot
(2) At home, does anyone use hot water directlyYes from the tap to make drinks or prepareNo instant foods?Don't know
(3) Does your home have a private well?NoDon't know
(4) Do you have a water softener in your home?YesNoDon't know
(5) What water filters are used in your home? (check all that apply)
$\square$ No water filter used
$\square$ Water pitcher with filterRefrigerator dispenser with filterFilter on the faucetFilter under the sink
$\square$ Whole house filter
$\square$ Other (please specify $\qquad$ $\square$ Don't know

## Section 2 Your Home

Please answer the following general questions about your home.

6 Which of the following best describes whereHouse you live? (check only one)Apartment or condominiumTownhouse or duplexMobile homeOther (please specify $\qquad$ )
(7) What pets do you have in your home or yard? (check all that apply)No petsAdult dogPuppyAdult catKittenHamster, gerbil, or mouseBirdReptile or amphibian (for example, turtle, snake, iguana, frog, chameleon, salamander)Fish
$\square$ Other (please specify $\qquad$ )

8 Are there any livestock located within 50 yards of your household? (check all that apply)No livestockCattlePoultryPigsGoatsSheepHorsesOther livestock (please specify

In this section, we are asking about your recent water service. Please refer to the label on the front of this booklet or the enclosed calendar for the dates of the $\mathbf{2}$-week period.
(9) At any time during the $\mathbf{2}$-week period on the label,
$\begin{array}{ll}\text { - Did anyone in your home notice low } & \square \text { Yes } \\ \text { water pressure? (For example, you turned } & \square \text { No } \\ \text { on the faucet and the water didn't come } \\ \text { out as much as usual or the pipes made a } \\ \text { sputtering noise.) } & \square \text { Don't know } \\ & \\ \text { - Did you completely lose water service? } & \square \text { Yes } \\ \begin{array}{ll}\text { (For example, you turned on the faucet } & \square \text { No } \\ \text { and nothing came out.) }\end{array} & \square \text { Don't know } \\ \text { - Was any work done on the water pipes } & \square \text { Yes } \\ \text { near your home? } & \square \text { No } \\ & \square \text { Don't know }\end{array}$

- Did anyone notice a change in the odor, taste, or color of tap water at home? (check all that apply)Change in odorChange in tasteChange in colorDid not notice any changes
- Were you told to boil your water before drinking it? (For example, on the news, by a phone call, or on a door hanger)YesNoDon't know

If YES, what did you use for drinking water during that time?We only drank bottled water.We always boiled our tap water before we drank it.
$\square$ We sometimes boiled our tap water before we drank it.
$\square$ We usually drank our tap water without boiling it first.

## Section 4 People in Your Household

(10) How many people, including you, live in your household?


The rest of the survey asks about the individual people in your household.
To help keep the columns straight, please identify each person with initials. These do not have to be their real initials. Please keep the same order on the next pages. If there are more than 6 people in your household, please list yourself, the 2 oldest, and the 3 youngest. If two individuals have the same initials, different initials should be used to avoid confusion.

You may need to ask the other household members for some answers. If you cannot ask, please give your best guess.
(11) Person's initials
(12) Age (in years)
(If unsure of the exact age, please give your best guess.)
(13) Sex


On this page, we are asking about drinking water from your water utility, or "tap water," that comes from your house, as well as other kinds of water you drink.

|  | Person 1 <br> (yourself) | Person 2 | Person 3 | Person 4 | Person 5 | Person 6 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Person's initials <br> (copy from Question 11) | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |

14 At home, which kinds of water does each person usually drink? Circle yes or no for each kind of water.

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| - Tap water, directly from | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| the faucet (that you do not filter)? | No | No | No | No | No | No |
| - Water from a refrigerator | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| dispenser? | No | No | No | No | No | No |
| - Tap water that you filter (for | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| example, filter in pitcher, on faucet, under sink)? | No | No | No | No | No | No |
| - Bottled water? | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
|  | No | No | No | No | No | No |
| - Other (please specify) | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
|  | No | No | No | No | No | No |

For questions 15 and 16 , it does not matter if you filter the water. ( 1 cup = $1 / 2$ of a pint = 8 ounces)


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## Section 6 Recent Activities

In this section, we are interested in recent activities you and your household members did during the $\mathbf{2}$-week period. Please refer to the label on the front of this booklet or the enclosed calendar for the dates of your 2-week period.

|  | Person 1 <br> (yourself) | Person 2 | Person 3 | Person 4 | Person 5 | Person 6 |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Person's initials <br> (copy from Question 11) | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |

17 During the 2-week period, did anyone

- Swim or wade in a lake, river, stream or ocean?
- Swim in a pool?
- Swallow or drink any water directly from a spring, lake, pond, stream, or river?
- Drink any water from a well?
- Go hiking or camping?
- Attend, work, or volunteer in a day care?
- Visit a petting zoo or farm with animals?
- Travel outside of the United States?
- Spend any nights away from home?
- How many nights away from home?
- Eat any meals prepared in a restaurant? (includes deli, fast food, take-out)
- About how many restaurant meals?

Circle Yes or No for each person.

| Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| No | No | No | No | No | No |
| Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| No | No | No | No | No | No |
| Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
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| Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| No | No | No | No | No | No |
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Please refer to the label on the front of this booklet or the enclosed calendar for the dates of the 2-week period. In this section, we are asking about new stomach problems that started during the 2-week period, not problems that you normally have.

|  | Person 1 <br> (yourself) | Person 2 | Person 3 | Person 4 | Person 5 | Person 6 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Person's initials <br> (copy from Question 11) | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |

18 During the 2-week period, did anyone start having new stomach problems (not problems they normally have)? Circle Yes or No for each person.

| - Vomiting? | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | No | No | No | No | No | No |
| - Nausea? | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
|  | No | No | No | No | No | No |
| - Diarrhea? (3 or more loose | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| stools in a 24 -hour period) | No | No | No | No | No | No |
| - Abdominal pain or | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| cramps? | No | No | No | No | No | No |
| - Fever ( $100^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$ or higher) | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| at the same time as stomach problems? | No | No | No | No | No | No |

If anyone had ANY stomach problems in question 18, please answer questions 19 and 20.

19 How many days did the stomach problems last?

Write a number of days in each box.

20 When did the stomach problems start? (MM/DD/YY) This date is:


If you answered Yes to any stomach problems in section 7, please go to section 8, Illness Details on the next page. If no one in your household had any stomach problems, please skip to section 9.

## Section 8 Illness Detalls - Stomach Problems

Please complete the section only if you answered Yes to any symptoms in section 7 . If no one had stomach problems in the 2 -week period, you can skip to section 9 on the next page.

These questions are asking about how stomach problems during the 2-week period affected you.

Person's initials
(copy from Question 11)


Enter number of days missed, enter 0 if no school or work missed
21 How many days of school or work did each person miss because of stomach problems?
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## Circle Yes or No for each person.

22 Did anyone see a healthcare provider for stomach problems?

23 Did a healthcare provider ask anyone to submit a stool sample for testing?

Was anyone admitted to the hospital for at least one day as a result of this illness?

Do you have any other information to share about recent stomach problems?

## Section 9 Other Recent Illnesses or Symptoms

Please refer to the label on the front of this booklet or the enclosed calendar for the dates of the 2-week period. In this section, we are asking about new illness or symptoms that started during the 2-week period, not symptoms that you normally have.

|  | Person 1 <br> (yourself) | Person 2 | Person 3 | Person 4 | Person 5 | Person 6 |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Person's initials <br> (copy from Question 11) | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |

25 During the $\mathbf{2}$-week period, did anyone start having any of the following new symptoms? Circle Yes or No for each person.

| - Cough? | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  | No | No | No | No | No | No |
| - Sore throat? | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
|  | No | No | No | No | No | No |
| - Running or stuffy nose? | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
|  | No | No | No | No | No | No |
| - Shortness of breath? | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
|  | No | No | No | No | No | No |
| - Rash? | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
|  | No | No | No | No | No | No |
| - Eye infection (for example, | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| pink eye)? | No | No | No | No | No | No |
| - Ear infection? | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
|  | No | No | No | No | No | No |
| - Fever (100 ${ }^{\circ}$ F or higher) at | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| the same time as these | No | No | No | No | No | No |

If anyone had ANY symptoms in question 25, please answer questions 26, 27 and 28.

26 How many days of school or work did each person miss because of these symptoms?
27 Did anyone see a healthcare provider for these symptoms?

28
Was anyone admitted to the hospital for at least one day as a result of these symptoms?

Enter number of days missed, enter 0 if no school or work missed


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## Section 10 More About People in Your Household

Person's initials
(copy from Question 11)

29 Does any household member have chronic diarrhea or vomiting (because of a health condition like Irritable Bowel Syndrome, Crohn's disease, Ulcerative colitis, etc. or a medication side effect)?
(30) Does any household member have a chronic respiratory condition (such as asthma, emphysema, COPD, etc.)?


## Circle Yes or No for each person.



## Section 11 Demographic Information

The following questions are optional, but providing answers will help us better understand how well our study is describing the experience in your community.


## Comments

Are there any additional comments or information that you would like to provide?
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## This concludes the CDC Water and Health Study. Thank you!

We really appreciate your participation in this important study. Please fold this survey in half lengthwise, place it in the enclosed postage-paid envelope and put it in any U.S. Mail box.

## Please mail to:

CDC
Mailstop C-09

