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**Health Data User Survey**

You are invited to participate in a brief, 5-minute health data user survey that will help the National Center of Health Statistics (NCHS) understand your health data needs and better deliver health data products and services. NCHS, part of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), provides health data and statistics to inform the public and guide program and policy decisions to improve our nation’s health. Your participation is extremely important to us and the information you provide will be used to improve health statistics products and services.

This survey will NOT capture any personally identifiable information. All submissions are voluntary and anonymous. All information will be treated in a secure manner. Thank you for your assistance.

**NOTICE -** Public reporting burden of this collection of information is estimated to average 5 minutes per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, and completing the collection of information. An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. Send comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing this burden to: CDC/ATSDR Information Collection Review Office; 1600 Clifton Road, MS D-74, Atlanta, GA 30333, ATTN: PRA (0920-0729).

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| Item # | Question | Response Options | SKIPs/Comments |
| 1 | Which of the following health topics are of most interest to you? (check all that apply) | Asthma / Respiratory HealthBirths / FertilityDiet / NutritionExercise / Physical ActivityHeart Health / Cardiac Health Care Use / Access Health Care Costs / ExpendituresHealth InsuranceInfectious DiseasesLife ExpectancyMental HealthMortality / Cause of DeathObesity / OverweightOpioid Use / Drug OverdoseSmoking / Tobacco UseOther (please specify) |  |
| 2 | How do you prefer health data to be made available? (Select your top choice) | Data files for analysis; I like to do my own statistical analyses. Simple summary tables; I like to look up statistics without additional text or interpretation. Simple graphics; I like to visualize data with pre-prepared graphics. Interactive data tools; I like to customize the way I view data. In-depth report; I like to read more about the context and meaning of the statistics. Other (specify) |  |
| 3 | Do you do your own statistical analyses using analytic software? | YesNo | If no, SKIP Q5 |
| 4 | What is your preferred analytical software? | SASSTATASPSSExcelR or R StudioN/AOther (please specify) |  |
| 5 | Have you ever used any data or publications from the National Center for Health Statistics (NCHS)? | YesNo |  |
| If Q5 No, SKIP Q14If Q5 Yes, continue to Q6 |
| 6 | Are you familiar with any of these NCHS publications ? (Check all that apply) | Data BriefsHealth E-StatsHealth, United StatesHealthy PeopleNational Health Statistics ReportsNational Vital Statistics ReportsVital and Health Statistics SeriesVital Statistics Rapid ReleaseVisual AbstractsI don't know of any of these publications Other (specify) |  |
| 7 | How often have you used any NCHS data or publications in the past 12 months? | 1-2 times3-6 times7-10 11 or more times |  |
| 8 | Did you access the NCHS data or publications through one of the following? (Check all that apply) | NCHS WebsiteResearch Data Center (RDC)CDC WISQARS CDC WONDERData Use AgreementsInteragency AgreementsOther \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |  |
| 9 | For what reasons have you accessed NCHS data or publications in the past? (Check all that apply) | To obtain statistics on a health topicTo download a specific report, publication, or data tableTo download public use micro-data files or obtain information about these filesTo identify survey methods or data collection forms to apply to your own researchOther (please specify) |  |
| 10 | For what purposes did you access NCHS data or publications? (Check all that apply) | Academic researchHealth program planning, administration or evaluationTo inform/develop policy or legislationMedia/journalismMarket research/product developmentPersonal interestSchool projectWork projectOther (please specify) |  |
| 11 | Have you obtained health statistics from publications or reports that included the following data sources in the last 12 months? (Check all that apply) | National Health Interview Survey (NHIS)National Health and Nutrition Examination Survey (NHANES)National Survey of Family Growth (NSFG)National Vital Statistics System (NVSS, birth or death data) National Ambulatory Medical Care Survey (NAMCS)National Hospital Ambulatory Medical Care Survey (NHAMCS)National Post-Acute Long-Term Care Survey (NPALS) (formerly National Study of Long-Term Care Providers (NSLTCP))National Hospital Care Survey (NHCS)National Electronic Health Records Survey (NEHRS)None of the aboveDon't know/not applicable |  |
| 12 | Have you obtained NCHS data files to analyze any of the following data sources in the last 12 months? (Check all that apply) | National Health Interview Survey (NHIS)National Health and Nutrition Examination Survey (NHANES)National Survey of Family Growth (NSFG)National Vital Statistics System (NVSS, birth or death data) National Ambulatory Medical Care Survey (NAMCS)National Hospital Ambulatory Medical Care Survey (NHAMCS)National Post-Acute Long-Term Care Survey (NPALS) (formerly National Study of Long-Term Care Providers (NSLTCP))National Hospital Care Survey (NHCS)National Electronic Health Records Survey (NEHRS)None of the aboveDon't know/not applicable |  |
| 13 | If NCHS could do one thing to improve their health data or publications for you personally, what would that be? | Open Text | Skip to Q16 |
| 14 | Are you familiar with any of these NCHS publications or resources? (Check all that apply) | Data BriefsHealth E-StatsHealth, United StatesHealthy PeopleNational Health Statistics ReportsNational Vital Statistics ReportsVital and Health Statistics SeriesVital Statistics Rapid ReleaseVisual AbstractsResearch Data Center (RDC)CDC WISQARS CDC WONDER NCHS WebsiteOther (specify)I am not familiar with any of these |  |
| 15 | Do you have suggestions on how we can increase your potential use of NCHS health data or publications? | Open Text |  |
| 16 | Which best describes your occupation? | Academic researcher/scientist Educator Health care providerLegal professionalMarket researcher, analyst, or consultantMedia professionalPolicymaker or advocatePublic health practitioner Retiree StudentOther (please specify) |  |
| 17 | How would you best describe your organization? | Academic/research institutionFederal government For-profit/private industry Healthcare Media/JournalismNon-profit advocacy or policy organizationState/local governmentNot affiliated with an organization |  |

Thank you for taking to time to help us understand your needs for health data and improve NCHS products and services.