

Parental Permission for Interview
National Longitudinal Survey of Youth 2027 (NLSY27)

This form explains the National Longitudinal Survey of Youth 2027 (NLSY27). Please read it carefully and ask questions about any part of it. If you do not have questions now, you may also ask us at any time.

Why is my child in this study?

The NLSY27 is being conducted by RTI International (RTI) for the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS), which is part of the U.S. Department of Labor. This study helps many people, including researchers and lawmakers, understand how your child's experiences at home, school, and work impact their life as they age. Your child was randomly selected along with 17,000 young people across the country. Your child's participation is very important and will help ensure the study results do a good job of representing the experiences of all youth in the United States.

Why is this study being done?

BLS has been conducting surveys like the NLSY for over 50 years. The last time a NLSY survey was started was 1997, and the teens that started in that survey are now in their 40s. Your child's involvement is vital to advancing our understanding of the labor market experiences of youth as they transition from school to work. The NLSY27 will measure and provide valuable information about the educational, economic, and social progress of people in the United States from your child's generation over time.

What will happen in the study?

Your child will be asked to answer questions on a computer, tablet, or phone about a wide range of topics, including education, employment, health, family, and social experiences. They may be asked to complete puzzles or tasks where they solve problems or are asked to remember things. Some of the questions they receive may be personal or sensitive. Even if these questions do not apply to them, their answers are still important. Your child may choose not to answer any question for any reason, and he or she may stop the interview at any time.

Does my child have to be in the study?

No, participation in the NLSY27 is voluntary.

How much time does the study take?

The survey takes about 90 minutes.

Will my child be paid?

Yes, to thank your child for their participation, they will be paid each time they complete the NLSY27 study and will receive a certificate of community service to thank them for their valuable contributions.

Will other people find out about my child's participation?

No, we will use the information provided for research purposes only. We are required by federal law to keep your child's answers confidential, and we will take all possible steps to protect your child and your

family's privacy. We will keep the data we collect in a secure storage space. The information will only have a number to identify it, not you or your child's personal information.

How can I, as a parent or guardian, be involved in the study?

There are several ways for you to be involved in the NLSY27. You can voluntarily participate in a separate survey to answer questions your child may not be able to provide on their own, such as experiences from early in their lives, their family background, significant events in their lives, and their health. To thank you for your participation, you will also be paid for each completed survey.

In addition, with your permission, your survey responses can be linked to data from public records or other government agencies who authorize it. This will allow us to conduct further research without taking up your time with more questions. The Bureau of Labor Statistics, its employees, agents, and partner statistical agencies use this information only for research that maintains your privacy. To the extent permitted by Federal law, we are required to keep your information strictly confidential.

Your Signature and Consent

If you have any questions or concerns about the study, the research team, or participation in the study, please ask any questions at this time or reach out to our dedicated support team at nlsy27info@nls.gov. By signing below, you acknowledge that you have read and understood the information provided in this consent form.

Check all that apply:

1. My child can participate in the NLSY27 Survey [☐]
2. I agree to participate in the NLSY27 Parent Survey [☐]
3. You may link my survey responses to other records [☐]

Parent's/Guardian's Signature

Parent's/Guardian's Name (PLEASE PRINT)

Child's Name (PLEASE PRINT)

Date

This voluntary study is authorized under Title 29, Section 2, of the United States Code. The U.S. Office of Management and Budget (OMB) has approved the questionnaire and has assigned 1220-0141 as the study's control number. This control number expires on 07/31/2027. Without OMB approval and this number, we would not be able to conduct this study.

The Bureau of Labor Statistics, its employees, agents, and partner statistical agencies, will use the information you provide for statistical purposes only and will hold the information in confidence to the full extent permitted by law. In accordance with the Confidential Information

Protection and Statistical Efficiency Act (44 U.S.C. 3572) and other applicable Federal laws, your responses will not be disclosed in identifiable form without your informed consent. Per the Federal Cybersecurity Enhancement Act of 2015, Federal information systems are protected from malicious activities through cybersecurity screening of transmitted data.

Under the Privacy Act of 1974 (5 U.S.C. Section 552a), the Privacy Act System of Records Notice (SORN) for the NLSY27 can be found on the DOL public website at the link here: [DOL/BLS-xx, National Longitudinal Survey of Youth 2027 \(NLSY27\)](#). The Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) and the contractor will have access to your data to compile non individually identifiable data for use by the general public and federal agencies conducting labor force research. Under the written agreement to protect the confidentiality and security of identifying information, BLS may provide information to researchers to conduct specific research projects which further the mission and functions of BLS. Those authorized researchers must sign a written agreement making them official agents of the Bureau of Labor Statistics and requiring them to protect the confidentiality of survey participants.

We are authorized to collect a Social Security Number (SSN) under Executive Order 9397 (November 22, 1943) to help identify individuals in agency records and keep records accurate because other people may have the same name and birth date.

The Children's Online Privacy Protection Act (COPPA) requires parental consent before any online collection of information for children under 13 and provides the parent with the right to see what is collected about his/her child and to restrict dissemination or use or further collection of any information about the child. [15 U.S.C. §§ 6501-6506].