The 2020 National Survey of Children’s Health was administered online and by mail. Randomly selected addresses from households across the United States were mailed instructions to access the online survey; some addresses also received a paper version of the screening questionnaire. After two reminder letters and postcard reminders to complete the survey by web, those households who had not accessed the online survey were mailed a paper screening questionnaire. Please see the “Methods & Sampling Notes” section below or the NSCH Methodology Report and the Data User Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) for more information on this process.

Survey Administration
**Methods & Sampling Notes**

- To increase sampling efficiency, administrative data were used to determine addresses that were more likely to be households with children aged 0-17 years.

- The survey over-sampled children 0-5 years and children with special health care needs (CHSCN). This means that in households with 2 or more children, CSHCN and children 0-5 years old had a higher probability of being selected as compared to other children in the household.

- Number of surveys completed in 2020:
  - Approximately 93,840 households screened for age-eligible children in sampled addresses
  - 51,107 children reported on completed screeners
  - 42,777 child-level topical questionnaires completed (state ranges from 644 to 3,039)
  - 10,044 of topical questionnaires completed on CSHCN.

- To view the questionnaires in English or Spanish, see: [https://mchb.hrsa.gov/data/national-surveys/questionnaires-datasets-supporting-documents](https://mchb.hrsa.gov/data/national-surveys/questionnaires-datasets-supporting-documents). In addition, respondents could access telephone-based assistance to complete the questionnaire in additional languages.

- For more detailed information on the NSCH, see: [https://mchb.hrsa.gov/data/national-surveys](https://mchb.hrsa.gov/data/national-surveys), [http://childhealthdata.org/learn/NSCH](http://childhealthdata.org/learn/NSCH), and [https://www.census.gov/programs-surveys/nsch.html](https://www.census.gov/programs-surveys/nsch.html).