

2022 National Survey of Children's Health (NSCH)

Guide to Topics & Questions Asked

The National Survey of Children's Health (NSCH) is funded and directed by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Health Resources and Services Administration, Maternal and Child Health Bureau (HRSA MCHB), and is administered by the U.S. Census Bureau. Between July 2022 and January 2023, participants were mailed an invitation to complete an online household screener followed by a child-level questionnaire using a secure and confidential website. Additionally, participants were provided the opportunity to complete a mailed, paper version of the household screener and questionnaire instead of the web-based materials. See the [NSCH Methodology Report](#) and [Sampling and Administration Diagram](#) for more information. Below is a guide to the questions asked on the household screener and the child-level topical questionnaires. As in previous editions of the surveys, some variables in the public use file may be recoded to ensure consistency and ease of use. These recoded variables will appear in the public use file but will not appear in the table below.

KEY:

- ^ Denotes that survey item is new to the 2022 NSCH (vs. 2021 NSCH). *New items are noted in purple font.*
 - * Denotes that item content has changed in the 2022 NSCH (vs. 2021 NSCH) or data are not comparable with the 2021 NSCH due to changes in question wording or response options; these are *noted in red font*. See box below for more information on the criteria used for content changes.
 - α Denotes that response option for the survey item has changed in the 2022 NSCH (vs. 2021 NSCH).
 - Indicates a list of questions under one question stem.
 - { } Complex skip patterns are explained in brackets.
 - x No number was assigned to this survey question. This question is nested within another survey item.
 - Question does not exist in this version of the survey.
- No symbol: Indented questions represent question sequences and are used if the respondent answered "yes" or gave a response other than "no" or "0" to the primary, non-indented question.

Reasons for changes to content in 2022 NSCH

1. To be consistent with other Federal policy/programs
2. To reflect an updated understanding of a topic/question
3. To focus on updated Maternal and Child Health Bureau priorities
4. To reflect emerging priorities as identified by stakeholders

Note:

Items with minor wording changes are not indicated here. Survey items listed herein from the 2022 NSCH can be found in the full survey instruments which are available at the [HRSA MCHB website](#).

Pre-Survey Screener (Completed prior to full survey):

The screener is administered in advance of the full survey. It begins by asking an adult in the household if there are any children 0-17 years old in the home, how many children there are ([TOTKIDS_R](#)), what primary language is spoken ([HHLANGUAGE](#)), and if the house, apartment, or mobile home is owned with or without a mortgage or loan, rented, or occupied without rent ([TENURE](#)). The # sign following each question number indicates which child in the household the response is referencing when there is more than one child in the household.

The following questions are then asked about each of the four youngest children living in the home:

1. First name, initials, or nickname
2. How old is this child? ([C#_AGE_YEARS](#))
3. What is this child's sex? ([C#_SEX](#))
4. Is this child of Hispanic, Latino, or Spanish origin? ([C#_HISPANIC_R](#))
5. What is this child's race? [Mark one or more boxes] ([C#_RACE_R](#))
6. How well does this child speak English? [*only asked of children 4+ years old*] ([C#_ENGLISH](#))
7. Does this child CURRENTLY need or use medicine prescribed by a doctor, other than vitamins? ([C#_K2Q10](#), [C#_K2Q11](#), [C#_K2Q12](#))
8. Does this child need or use more medical care, mental health, or educational services than is usual for most children of the same age? ([C#_K2Q13](#), [C#_K2Q14](#), [C#_K2Q15](#))
9. Is this child limited or prevented in any way in their ability to do the things most children of the same age can do? ([C#_K2Q16](#), [C#_K2Q17](#), [C#_K2Q18](#))
10. Does this child need or get special therapy, such as physical, occupational, or speech therapy? ([C#_K2Q19](#), [C#_K2Q20](#), [C#_K2Q21](#))
11. Does this child have any kind of emotional, developmental, or behavioral problem for which they need treatment or counseling? ([C#_K2Q22](#), [C#_K2Q23](#))

If YES to any of items 7-10, two follow-up questions are asked:

- Is this because of ANY medical, behavioral, or other health condition?
- Is this a condition that has lasted or is expected to last 12 months or longer?

If YES to 11, one follow-up question is asked:

- Has their emotional, developmental, or behavioral problem lasted or is it expected to last 12 months or longer?

Respondents are also asked to provide basic information (age and sex) about up to six additional children in the household. These data are used for statistical purposes only and are not released.

Once information on all children is gathered via the screener, one child from the household is randomly selected. The remaining questions of the survey pertain only to this randomly selected child.

| Survey Questions (variable name) | Survey question number | | |
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| | 0-5 yrs survey | 6-11 yrs survey | 12-17 yrs Survey |
| A. This Child's Health | | | |
| In general, how would you describe this child's health? (K2Q01) | A1 | A1 | A1 |
| How would you describe the condition of this child's teeth? (K2Q01_D) | A2 | A2 | A2 |
| DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, has this child had FREQUENT or CHRONIC difficulty with any of the following? | A3 | A3 | A3 |
| • Breathing or other respiratory problems (such as wheezing or shortness of breath) (BREATHING) | A3a | A3a | A3a |
| • Eating or swallowing because of a health condition (SWALLOWING) | A3b | A3b | A3b |
| • Digesting food, including stomach/intestinal problems, constipation, or diarrhea (STOMACH) | A3c | A3c | A3c |
| • Repeated or chronic physical pain, including headaches or other back or body pain (PHYSICALPAIN) | A3d | A3d | A3d |
| • Using their hands (HANDS) | A3e | - | - |
| • Coordination or moving around (COORDINATION) | A3f | - | - |
| • Toothaches (TOOTHACHES) | A3g | A3e | A3e |
| • Bleeding gums (GUMBLEED) | A3h | A3f | A3f |
| • Decayed teeth or cavities (CAVITIES) | A3i | A3g | A3g |
| Does this child have any of the following? | A4 | A4 | A4 |
| • Serious difficulty concentrating, remembering, or making decisions because of a physical, mental, or emotional condition (MEMORYCOND) | - | A4a | A4a |
| • Serious difficulty walking or climbing stairs (WALKSTAIRS) | - | A4b | A4b |
| • Difficulty dressing or bathing (DRESSING) | - | A4c | A4c |
| • Difficulty doing errands alone, such as visiting a doctor's office or shopping, because of a physical, mental, or emotional condition (ERRANDALONE) | - | - | A4d |
| • Deafness or problems with hearing (K2Q43B) | A4a | A4d | A4e |
| • Blindness or problems with seeing, even when wearing glasses (BLINDNESS) | A4b | A4e | A4f |
| Has a doctor or other health care provider EVER told you that this child has: | | | |
| • Allergies (including food, drug, insect, seasonal, or other)? (ALLERGIES) | A5 | A5 | A5 |
| • Asthma? (K2Q40A) | A6 | A6 | A6 |
| • ^Autoimmune disease (such as Type 1 Diabetes, Celiac, or Juvenile Idiopathic Arthritis)? (AUTOIMMUNE) | A7 | A7 | A7 |
| • Cerebral Palsy? (K2Q61A) | A8 | A8 | A8 |
| • *Type 2 Diabetes? (DIABETES) | A9 | A9 | A9 |
| • Epilepsy or Seizure Disorder? (K2Q42A) | A10 | A10 | A10 |
| • Heart condition? (HEART) | A11 | A11 | A11 |
| If yes, was this child born with the condition? (HEART_BORN) | | | |
| • Frequent or severe headaches, including migraine? (HEADACHE) | A12 | A12 | A12 |
| • Tourette Syndrome? (K2Q38A) | A13 | A13 | A13 |
| • Anxiety problems? (K2Q33A) | A14 | A14 | A14 |
| • Depression? (K2Q32A) | A15 | A15 | A15 |

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| If YES to any of the items A5-A6 and A9-A15 (0-17 yrs), two follow up questions are asked: | | | |
| Does this child CURRENTLY have the condition? (variable name differs based on condition) | x | x | x |
| Is it Mild, Moderate, or Severe? (variable name differs based on condition) | x | x | x |
| If YES to the items A7 and A8, a follow-up question is asked: | | | |
| Is it Mild, Moderate, or Severe? (AUTOIMMUNE_DESC, CERPALS_DESC) . . | | | |
| Has a doctor or other health care provider EVER told you that this child has: | | | |
| • Down Syndrome? (DOWNSYN) | A16 | A16 | A16 |
| • Blood Disorders (such as Sick Cell Disease, Thalassemia, or Hemophilia)? (BLOOD) | A17 | A17 | A17 |
| If YES: | | | |
| Is it Mild, Moderate, or Severe? (BLOOD_DESC) | x | x | x |
| Was this child diagnosed with Sick Cell Disease, Thalassemia, Hemophilia, Other Blood Disorders? (SICKLECELL, THALASSEMIA, HEMOPHILIA, BLOOD_OTHER) | x | x | x |
| Were any of these blood disorders identified through a blood test done shortly after birth? These tests are sometimes called newborn screening. (BLOOD_SCREEN) | x | x | x |
| • Cystic Fibrosis? (CYSTFIB) | A18 | A18 | A18 |
| • Any other genetic or inherited condition? (GENETIC) (if yes, specify) | A19 | A19 | A19 |
| If YES to any of the items A18 and A19 (0-17 yrs), follow up questions are asked: | | | |
| Is it Mild, Moderate, or Severe? (CYSTFIB_DESC, GENETIC_DESC) | x | x | x |
| Was this condition identified through a blood test done shortly after birth? (These tests are sometimes called newborn screening) (CYSTFIB_SCREEN, GENETIC_SCREEN) | x | x | x |
| • ^Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder (FASD)? (FASD) | A20 | A20 | A20 |
| Has a doctor or other health care provider, or educator EVER told you that this child has: | | | |
| • Behavioral or conduct problems? (K2Q34A) | A21 | A21 | A21 |
| • Developmental Delay? (K2Q36A) | A22 | A22 | A22 |
| • Intellectual Disability (formerly known as Mental Retardation)? (K2Q60A) . . | A23 | A23 | A23 |
| • Speech or other language disorder? (K2Q37A) | A24 | A24 | A24 |
| • Learning Disability? (K2Q30A) | A25 | A25 | A25 |
| If YES to any of the items from A21 to A25 (0-17 yrs) to this point, two follow up questions are asked: | | | |
| Does this child CURRENTLY have the condition? (variable name differs based on condition) | x | x | x |
| If yes, is it Mild, Moderate, or Severe? (variable name differs based on condition) | x | x | x |
| 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). (K2Q35A) | A26 | A26 | A26 |
| If yes, does this child CURRENTLY have the condition? (K2Q35B) | | | |
| If yes, is it Mild, Moderate, or Severe? (K2Q35C) | | | |
| How old was this child when a doctor or other health care provider FIRST told you that they had Autism, ASD, Asperger's Disorder or PDD? (K2Q35A_1_YEARS) | A27 | A27 | A27 |

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| 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? (K2Q35D) | A28 | A28 | A28 |
| Is this child CURRENTLY taking medication for Autism, ASD, Asperger's Disorder or PDD? (AUTISMMED) | A29 | A29 | A29 |
| 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 their behavior? (AUTISMTREAT) | A30 | A30 | A30 |
| 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? (K2Q31A) | A31 | A31 | A31 |
| If yes, does this child CURRENTLY have the condition? (K2Q31B) | | | |
| If yes, is it Mild, Moderate, or Severe? (K2Q31C) | | | |
| Is this child CURRENTLY taking medication for ADD or ADHD? (K2Q31D) | A32 | A32 | A32 |
| 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 their behavior? (ADDTREAT) | A33 | A33 | A33 |
| Do you think this child has EVER had a concussion or brain injury? (CONCUSSION) . . | A34 | A34 | A34 |
| If yes, did you seek medical care from a doctor or other health care provider? (SEEKCARE) | | | |
| If yes, did a doctor or other health care provider tell you that your child had a concussion or brain injury? (CONFIRMINJURY) | | | |
| DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, how often have this child's health conditions or problems affected their ability to do things other children their age do? (HCABILITY) | A35 | A35 | A35 |
| To what extent do this child's health conditions or problems affect their ability to do things? (HCEXTENT) | A36 | A36 | A36 |
| B. This Child as an Infant | | | |
| Was this child born more than 3 weeks before their due date? (K2Q05) | B1 | B1 | B1 |
| What month and year was this child born? (BIRTH_YR) | B2 | B2 | B2 |
| How much did they weigh when born? (BIRTHWT_OZ_S) | B3 | B3 | B3 |
| What was the age of the mother when this child was born? (MOMAGE) | B4 | B4 | B4 |
| Was this child EVER breastfed or fed breast milk? (K6Q40) | B5 | - | - |
| If yes, how old was this child when they COMPLETELY stopped breastfeeding or being fed breast milk? (BREASTFEDEND) (K6Q41_STILL) | B6 | - | - |
| How old was this child when they were FIRST fed formula? (FRSTFORMULA) (K6Q42R_NEVER) | B7 | - | - |
| How old was this child when they were FIRST fed anything other than breast milk or formula? (FRSTSOLIDS) (K6Q43R_NEVER) | B8 | - | - |
| C. Health Care Services | | | |
| Health Care Visits | | | |
| DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, did this child see a doctor, nurse, or other health care professional for sick-child care, well-child checkups, physical exams, hospitalizations or any kind of medical care? <i>Include health care visits done by video or phone.</i> (S4Q01) | C1 | C1 | C1 |
| If yes, at their LAST medical care visit, did this child have a chance to speak with a doctor or other health care provider privately, without you or another caregiver in the room? (DOCPRIVATE) | - | - | 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? (K4Q20R) | C2 | C2 | C3 |

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| 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? (DOCROOM) | C3 | C3 | C4 |
| Height and Weight | | | |
| What is this child's CURRENT height? (HEIGHT) | - | C4 | C5 |
| How much does this child CURRENTLY weigh? (WEIGHT) | - | C5 | C6 |
| <i>[Data from the items on height and weight is not released individually, but they are combined to create a variable BMICLASS (10-17 years only) which is released.]</i> | | | |
| Are you concerned about this child's weight? (WGTCONC) | C4 | C6 | C7 |
| Has a doctor or other health care provider ever told you that this child is overweight? (OVERWEIGHT) | C5 | C7 | C8 |
| Eating and/or Body Image Problems | | | |
| ^DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, did this child engage in any of the following? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Skipping meals or fasting (DO NOT include skipping meals or fasting for religious reasons) (ENGAGE_FAST) • Having low interest in food (ENGAGE_INTEREST) • Extremely picky eating (ENGAGE_PICKY) • Binge eating (ENGAGE_BINGE) • Purging or vomiting after eating (ENGAGE_PURG) • Using diet pills, laxatives, or diuretics (water pills) to lose or maintain weight without a doctor's orders (ENGAGE_PILLS) • Over-exercising (ENGAGE_EXERCISE) • Not eating due to fear of vomiting or choking (ENGAGE_NOEAT) if YES for at least one item above: | - | C8 | C9 |
| ^DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, how concerned were you about this child engaging in these behaviors? (ENGAGECONCERN) | - | C9 | C10 |
| ^DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, how concerned was this child about their weight, body shape, or body size? (BODYIMAGE) | - | C10 | C11 |
| Developmental Concerns & Screening | | | |
| 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? (K6Q10) | C6 | - | - |
| {If child is <9 months, skip to C10} | C7 | - | - |
| 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? (K6Q12) | | | |
| If yes, [and child is 9-23 months], did the questionnaire ask about your concerns or observations about: | x | - | - |
| • How this child talks or makes speech sounds? (K6Q13A) | x | - | - |
| • How this child interacts with you and others? (K6Q13B) | x | - | - |
| If yes, [and child is 2-5 years], did the questionnaire ask about your concerns or observations about: | x | - | - |
| • Words and phrases this child uses and understands? (K6Q14A) | x | - | - |
| • How this child behaves and gets along with you and others? (K6Q14B) | x | - | - |

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| Usual Source of Care | | | |
| Is there a place you or another caregiver USUALLY take this child when they are sick or you need advice about their health? (K4Q01) | C8 | C11 | C12 |
| If yes, where does this child USUALLY go first? (K4Q02_R) | C9 | C12 | C13 |
| Is there a place that this child USUALLY goes when they need routine preventive care, such as a physical examination or well-child check-up? (USUALGO) | C10 | C13 | C14 |
| If yes, is this the same place this child goes when they are sick? (USUALSICK) . . | C11 | C14 | C15 |
| Vision Testing | | | |
| Has this child EVER (0-5 years)/DURING THE PAST 2 YEARS, has this child (age 6-17 years) received a vision screening from a provider other than an eye doctor? (VISIONSCREENOTHER). | C12 | C15 | C16 |
| If yes, was it recommended that this child see an eye doctor or other eye care provider for an eye examination or additional vision service as a result of the vision screening? (VISIONEXAMREC) | | | |
| Has this child EVER (0-5 years)/DURING THE PAST 2 YEARS (6-17 years) seen an eye doctor? (EYEDOCTOR). | C13 | C16 | C17 |
| If yes, what care has this child received from the eye doctor? | | | |
| • Received eye examination (EYECARE1) | | | |
| • Prescribed eyeglasses or contact lenses (EYECARE2) | | | |
| • Diagnosis of a vision disorder other than nearsighted, farsighted, or astigmatism (EYECARE3) | | | |
| • Some other care (EYECARE4) | | | |
| Dental Health Care | | | |
| 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? <i>Mark ALL that apply.</i> | C14 | C17 | C18 |
| • Saw a dentist (K4Q30_R_1) | | | |
| • Saw other oral health care provider(K4Q30_R_2) | | | |
| • No (K4Q30_R_3) | | | |
| 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? (DENTISTVISIT) | C15 | C18 | C19 |
| If yes, DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, what PREVENTIVE dental services did this child receive? (DENTALSERV1-7) | C16 | C19 | C20 |
| Mental Health Care and Other Types of Care | | | |
| DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, has this child received any treatment or counseling from a mental health professional? (K4Q22_R) | C17 | C20 | C21 |
| How difficult was it to get the mental health treatment or counseling that this child needed? (TREATNEED) | C18 | C21 | C22 |
| DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, has this child taken any medication because of difficulties with their emotions, concentration, or behavior? (K4Q23) | C19 | C22 | C23 |
| DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, did this child see a specialist other than a mental health professional? (K4Q24_R) | C20 | C23 | C24 |
| How difficult was it to get the specialist care that this child needed? (K4Q26) . . | C21 | C24 | C25 |
| DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, did this child use any type of alternative health care or treatment? (ALTHEALTH) | C22 | C25 | C26 |

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| Forgone Health Care | | | |
| DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, was there any time when this child needed health care but it was not received? (K4Q27) | C23 | C26 | C27 |
| If yes, which types of care were not received? (K4Q28X01-05; K4Q28X_EAR) . . . | C24 | C27 | C28 |
| Did any of the following reasons contribute to this child not receiving needed health services?: | C25 | C28 | C29 |
| • This child was not eligible for the services (NOTELIG) | C25a | C28a | C29a |
| • The services this child needed were not available in your area (AVAILABLE) | C25b | C28b | C29b |
| • There were problems getting an appointment when this child needed one (APPOINTMENT) | C25c | C28c | C29c |
| • There were problems with getting transportation or child care (TRANSPORTCC) | C25d | C28d | C29d |
| • The clinic or doctor's office wasn't open when this child needed care (NOTOPEN) | C25e | C28e | C29e |
| • There were issues related to cost (ISSUECOST) | C25f | C28f | C29f |
| DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, how often were you frustrated in your efforts to get services for this child? (C4Q04) | C26 | C29 | C30 |
| ER Use or Hospital Stay | | | |
| * ^a DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, how many times did this child visit a hospital emergency room? <i>Do NOT include visits to urgent care centers.</i> (HOSPITALER) | C27 | C30 | C31 |
| DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, was this child admitted to the hospital to stay for at least one night? (HOSPITALSTAY) | C28 | C31 | C32 |
| Educational & Developmental Services | | | |
| Has this child EVER had a special education or early intervention plan? (K6Q15) . . . | C29 | C32 | C33 |
| If yes, how old was this child at the time of the FIRST plan? (SESPLAN1YR, SESPLANMO) | C30 | C33 | C34 |
| Is this child CURRENTLY receiving services under one of these plans? (SECURRSVC) | C31 | C34 | C35 |
| *Has this child EVER received special services to meet their developmental needs? <i>Special services can include therapies such as speech, occupational, physical or behavioral or other services received to meet developmental needs.</i> (K4Q36) | C32 | C35 | C36 |
| If yes, how old was this child when they began receiving these special services? (K4Q37) | C33 | C36 | C37 |
| Is this child CURRENTLY receiving these special services? (K4Q38) | C34 | C37 | C38 |
| [^] Has a doctor, other health care provider, or educator EVER recommended that this child be evaluated for a Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder? (EVALFASD) | C35 | C38 | C39 |
| [^] Has this child EVER received an evaluation for a Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder? (RECEVALFASD) | C36 | C39 | C40 |
| D. Experience with This Child's Health Care Providers | | | |
| Personal Doctor or Nurse | | | |
| Do you have one or more persons you think of as this child's personal doctor or nurse? (K4Q04_R) | D1 | D1 | D1 |
| Referrals for Care | | | |
| DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, did this child need a referral to see any doctors or receive any services? (K5Q10) | D2 | D2 | D2 |
| How difficult was it to get referrals? (K5Q11) | D3 | D3 | D3 |

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| Family-Centered Care | | | |
| {Only answer questions D4-D12 if child had a health care visit in the past 12 months} | | | |
| DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, how often did this child's doctors or other health care providers: | D4 | D4 | D4 |
| • Spend enough time with this child? (K5Q40) | D4a | D4a | D4a |
| • Listen carefully to you? (K5Q41) | D4b | D4b | D4b |
| • Show sensitivity to your family's values and customs? (K5Q42) | D4c | D4c | D4c |
| • Provide the specific information you needed concerning this child? (K5Q43) | D4d | D4d | D4d |
| • Help you feel like a partner in this child's care? (K5Q44) | D4e | D4e | D4e |
| Shared Decision Making | | | |
| DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, did this child need any decisions to be made regarding their health care, such as whether to get prescriptions, referrals, or procedures? (DECISIONS) | D5 | D5 | D5 |
| If yes, DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, how often did this child's doctors or other health care providers: | D6 | D6 | D6 |
| • Discuss with you the range of options to consider for their health care or treatment? (DISCUSSOPT) | D6a | D6a | D6a |
| • Make it easy for you to raise concerns or disagree with recommendations for the child's health care? (RAISECONC) | D6b | D6b | D6b |
| • Work with you to decide together which health care and treatment choices would be best for this child? (BESTFORCHILD) | D6c | D6c | D6c |
| Care Coordination | | | |
| 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? (K5Q20_R) | D7 | D7 | D7 |
| 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? {If No, skip to D10} (K5Q21) | D8 | D8 | D8 |
| 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? (K5Q22) | D9 | D9 | D9 |
| DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, how satisfied were you with the communication between this child's doctors and other health care providers? (K5Q30) | D10 | D10 | D10 |
| 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? K5Q31_R) | D11 | D11 | D11 |
| 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? (K5Q32) | D12 | D12 | D12 |
| Transition to Adult Health Care | | | |
| Do any of this child's doctors or other health care providers treat only children? (TREATCHILD) | - | - | D13 |
| If yes, have they talked with you about when this child will need to see doctors or other health care providers who treat adults? (TREATADULT) | - | - | D14 |
| Has this child's doctor or other health care provider actively worked with this child to: | - | - | D15 |
| • Make positive choices about their health? (POSCHOICE) | - | - | D15a |
| • Gain skills to manage their health and health care? (GAINSKILLS) | - | - | D15b |
| • Understand the changes in health care that happen at age 18? (CHANGEAGE) | - | - | D15c |

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| Did you and this child receive a summary of this child's medical history (for example, medical conditions, allergies, medications, immunizations)? (MEDHISTORY) | - | - | D16 |
| Have this child's doctors or other health care providers worked with you and this child to create a plan of care to meet their health goals and needs? (WRITEPLAN) . . | - | - | D17 |
| If yes, do you and this child have access to this plan of care? (RECEIVECOPY) | - | - | D18 |
| Does this plan of care address transition to doctors and other health care providers who treat adults? (PLANNEEDS_R) | - | - | D19 |
| Eligibility for health insurance often changes in young adulthood. Do you know how this child will be insured as they become an adult? (HEALTHKNOW) | - | - | D20 |
| If no, has anyone discussed with you how to obtain or keep some type of health insurance coverage as this child becomes an adult? (KEEPINSADULT) | - | - | D21 |
| E. This Child's Health Insurance Coverage | | | |
| DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, was this child EVER covered by ANY kind of health insurance or health coverage plan? (K3Q04_R) {If child was covered all 12 months, skip to E4} | E1 | E1 | E1 |
| 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: | E2 | E2 | E2 |
| • Change in employer or employment status (K12Q01_A) | E2a | E2a | E2a |
| • Cancellation due to overdue premiums (K12Q01_B) | E2b | E2b | E2b |
| • Dropped coverage because it was unaffordable (K12Q01_C) | E2c | E2c | E2c |
| • Dropped coverage because benefits were inadequate (K12Q01_D) | E2d | E2d | E2d |
| • Dropped coverage because choice of health care providers was inadequate (K12Q01_E) | E2e | E2e | E2e |
| • Problems with application or renewal process (K12Q01_F) | E2f | E2f | E2f |
| • Other, specify (K12Q01_G) | E2g | E2g | E2g |
| Is this child CURRENTLY covered by ANY kind of health insurance or health coverage plan? {If child is not currently covered by any kind of health insurance or health coverage plan, skip to F1} (CURRCOV) | E3 | E3 | E3 |
| Is this child CURRENTLY covered by any of the following types of health insurance or health coverage plans? | E4 | E4 | E4 |
| • Insurance through a current or former employer or union (K12Q03) | E4a | E4a | E4a |
| • Insurance purchased directly from an insurance company (K12Q04) | E4b | E4b | E4b |
| • Medicaid, Medical Assistance, or any kind of government assistance plan for those with low incomes or a disability (K12Q12) | E4c | E4c | E4c |
| • TRICARE or other military health care (TRICARE) | E4d | E4d | E4d |
| • Indian Health Service (K11Q03R) | E4e | E4e | E4e |
| • Other, specify (HCCOVOTH) | E4f | E4f | E4f |
| How often does this child's health insurance offer benefits or cover services that meet this child's needs? (K3Q20) | E5 | E5 | E5 |
| How often does this child's health insurance allow them to see the health care providers they need? (K3Q22) | E6 | E6 | E6 |
| 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? (MENBEVCOV) | E7 | E7 | E7 |

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| F. Providing for This Child's Health | | | |
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| 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? (HOWMUCH) | F1 | F1 | F1 |
| How often are these costs reasonable? (K3Q21B) | F2 | F2 | F2 |
| DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, did your family have problems paying for any of this child's medical or health care bills? (K3Q25) | F3 | F3 | F3 |
| DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, have you or other family members: | F4 | F4 | F4 |
| • Left a job or taken a leave of absence because of this child's health or health conditions? (STOPWORK) | F4a | F4a | F4a |
| • Cut down on the hours you work because of this child's health or health conditions? (CUTHOURS) | F4b | F4b | F4b |
| • Avoided changing jobs because of concerns about maintaining health insurance for this child? (AVOIDCHG) | F4c | F4c | F4c |
| IN AN AVERAGE WEEK, how many hours do you or other family members spend providing health care at home for this child? (ATHOMEHC) | F5 | F5 | F5 |
| 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? (ARRANGEHC) | F6 | F6 | F6 |
| G. This Child's Learning (0-5 years) | | | |
| Is this child able to do the following... {If child is <1 year, skip to question G25} | G1 | - | - |
| • Say at least one word, such as "hi" or "dog"? (ONEWORD) | G1a | - | - |
| • Use 2 words together, such as "car go"? (TWOWORDS) | G1b | - | - |
| • Use 3 words together in a sentence, such as, "Mommy come now."? (THREEWORDS) | G1c | - | - |
| • Ask questions like "who," "what," "when," "where"? (ASKQUESTION) | G1d | - | - |
| • Ask questions like "why" and "how"? (ASKQUESTION2) | G1e | - | - |
| • Tell a story with a beginning, middle, and end? (TELLSTORY) | G1f | - | - |
| • Understand the meaning of the word "no"? (UNDERSTAND) | G1g | - | - |
| • Follow a verbal direction without hand gestures, such as "Wash your hands."? (DIRECTIONS) | G1h | - | - |
| • Point to things in a book when asked? (POINT) | G1i | - | - |
| • Follow 2-step directions, such as "Get your shoes and put them in the basket."? (DIRECTIONS2) | G1j | - | - |
| • Understand words such as "in," "on," and "under"? (UNDERSTAND2) | G1k | - | - |
| Is this child 3 years old or older? (SC_AGE_YEARS) {If child is <3 years, skip to question G29} | G2 | - | - |
| Has this child started school? (STARTSCHOOL) | G3 | - | - |
| How often can this child recognize the beginning sound of a word? (RECOGBEGIN) . | G4 | - | - |
| ^How often can this child come up with words that start with the same sound? (SAMESOUND) | G5 | - | - |
| How often can this child explain things they have seen or done so that you know what happened? (CLEAREXP) | G6 | - | - |
| How often can this child write their first name, even if some of the letters aren't quite right or are backwards? (WRITENAME) . | G7 | - | - |

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| ^How often can this child focus on a task you give them for at least a few minutes? (FOCUSON) | G8 | - | - |
| ^How often can this child read one-digit numbers? (READONEDIGIT) | G9 | - | - |
| ^How often can this child correctly do simple addition? (SIMPLEADDITION) | G10 | - | - |
| ^How often can this child tell which group of objects has more? (GROUPOFOBJECTS) | G11 | - | - |
| * ^ If asked to count objects, how high can this child count correctly? (COUNTTO_R) | G12 | - | - |
| About how many letters of the alphabet can this child recognize? (RECOGABC) | G13 | - | - |
| * ^ How well can this child come up with words that rhyme? (RHYMEWORD_R) | G14 | - | - |
| ^How often can this child recognize and name their own emotions? (NAMEEMOTIONS) | G15 | - | - |
| *How often does this child have difficulty when asked to end one activity and start a new activity? (STARTNEWACT) | G16 | - | - |
| *How often does this child play well with other children? (PLAYWELL) | G17 | - | - |
| *How often does this child lose their temper? (TEMPER_R) | G18 | - | - |
| How often does this child get easily distracted? (DISTRACTED) | G19 | - | - |
| *How often does this child show concern they see others who are hurt or unhappy? (HURTSAD) | G20 | - | - |
| *How often does this child have trouble calming down? (CALMDOWN_R) | G21 | - | - |
| ^How often does this child have difficulty waiting for their turn? (WAITFORTURN) | G22 | - | - |
| ^How often does this child keep working at a task even when it is hard for them? (HARDWORK) | G23 | - | - |
| ^How often does this child share toys or games with other children? (SHARETOYS) .. | G24 | - | - |
| ^How well can this child bounce a ball for several seconds? (BOUNCEBALL) | G25 | - | - |
| ^How well can this child draw a circle? (DRAWACIRCLE) | G26 | - | - |
| ^How well can this child draw a face with eyes and mouth? (DRAWAFACE) | G27 | - | - |
| ^How well can this child draw a person with a head, body, arms, and legs? (DRAWAPERSON) | G28 | | |
| How often | G29 | - | - |
| • Is this child affectionate and tender with you? (K6Q70_R) | G29a | - | - |
| • Does this child bounce back quickly when things do not go their way? (K6Q73_R) | G29b | - | - |
| • Does this child show interest and curiosity in learning new things? (K6Q71_R) | G29c | - | - |
| • Does this child smile and laugh? (K6Q72_R) | G29d | - | - |
| G. This Child's Schooling and Activities (6-17 years) | | | |
| DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, about how many days did this child miss school because of illness or injury? (K7Q02R_R) | - | G1 | G1 |
| DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, how many times has this child's school contacted you or another adult in your household about any problems they are having with school? (K7Q04R_R) | - | G2 | G2 |
| ^Across all subjects, what grades did this child get during the 2021-2022 school year? (GRADES) | | G3 | G3 |
| SINCE STARTING KINDERGARTEN, has this child repeated any grades? (REPEATED) .. | - | G4 | G4 |

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| DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, did this child participate in: | - | G5 | G5 |
| • A sports team or did they take sports lessons after school or on weekends? (K7Q30) | - | G5a | G5a |
| • Any clubs or organizations after school or on weekends? (K7Q31) | - | G5b | G5b |
| • Any other organized activities or lessons, such as music, dance, language, or other arts? (K7Q32) | - | G5c | G5c |
| • Any type of community service or volunteer work at school, place of worship, or in the community? (K7Q37) | - | G5d | G5d |
| • Any paid work, including regular jobs as well as babysitting, cutting grass, or other occasional work? (K7Q38) | - | G5e | G5e |
| DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, how often did you attend events or activities that this child participated in? (K7Q33) | - | G6 | G6 |
| DURING THE PAST WEEK, on how many days did this child exercise, play a sport, or participate in physical activity for at least 60 minutes? (PHYSACTIV) | - | G7 | G7 |
| Compared to other children their age, how much difficulty does this child have making or keeping friends? (MAKEFRIEND) | - | G8 | G8 |
| *DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, how often was this child bullied, picked on, or excluded by other children? <i>Do not include siblings (for children 6-17) or dating partners (for children 12-17).</i> (BULLIED_R) | - | G9 | G9 |
| *DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, how often did this child bully others, pick on them, or exclude them? <i>Do not include siblings (for children 6-17) or dating partners (for children 12-17)</i> (BULLY) | - | G10 | G10 |
| How often does this child | - | G11 | G11 |
| • Show interest and curiosity in learning new things? (K6Q71_R) | - | G11a | G11a |
| • Work to finish tasks they start? (K7Q84_R) | - | G11b | G11b |
| • Stay calm and in control when faced with a challenge? (K7Q85_R) | - | G11c | G11c |
| • Care about doing well in school? (K7Q82_R) | - | G11d | G11d |
| • Do all required homework? (K7Q83_R) | - | G11e | G11e |
| • Argue too much? (K7Q70_R) | - | G11f | G11f |
| H. About You and This Child | | | |
| Was this child born in the United States? <i>{If yes, skip to H3}</i> (BORNUSA) | H1 | H1 | H1 |
| If no, how long has this child been living in the United States? (LIVEUSA_YR/LIVEUSA_MO) | H2 | H2 | H2 |
| How many times has this child moved to a new address since they were born? (K11Q43R) | H3 | H3 | H3 |
| How often does this child go to bed at about the same time on weeknights? (BEDTIME) | H4 | H4 | H4 |
| DURING THE PAST WEEK, how many hours of sleep did this child get [during an average day (count both nighttime sleep and naps) (HOURSLEEP05) /on most weeknights]? (HOURSLEEP) | H5 | H5 | H5 |
| In which position do you most often lay this baby down to sleep now? <i>{<12 months old only}</i> (SLEEPPOS) | H6 | - | - |
| DURING THE PAST WEEK, how many times did this child drink sugary drinks such as soda, fruit drinks, sport drinks, or sweet tea? (SUGARDRINK) | H7 | - | - |
| DURING THE PAST WEEK, how many times did this child eat vegetables? (VEGETABLES) | H8 | - | - |

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| DURING THE PAST WEEK, how many times did this child eat fruit? (FRUIT) | H9 | - | - |
| ON MOST WEEKDAYS, how much time does this child spend playing outdoors? (OUTDOORSWKDAY) | H10 | - | - |
| ON AN AVERAGE WEEKEND DAY, how much time does this child spend playing outdoors? (OUTDOORSWKEND) | H11 | - | - |
| ON MOST WEEKDAYS, about how much time does this child usually 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.) (SCREENTIME) | H12 | H6 | H6 |
| DURING THE PAST WEEK, how many days did you or other family members read to this child? (K6Q60_R) | H13 | - | - |
| DURING THE PAST WEEK, how many days did you or other family members tell stories or sing songs to this child? (K6Q61_R) | H14 | - | - |
| How well can you and this child share ideas or talk about things that really matter? (K8Q21) | - | H7 | H7 |
| How well do you think you are handling the day-to-day demands of raising children? (K8Q30) | H15 | H8 | H8 |
| DURING THE PAST MONTH, how often have you felt: | H16 | H9 | H9 |
| • That this child is much harder to care for than most children their age? (K8Q31) | H16a | H9a | H9a |
| • That this child does things that really bother you a lot? (K8Q32) | H16b | H9b | H9b |
| • Angry with this child? (K8Q34) | H16c | H9c | H9c |
| DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, was there someone that you could turn to for day-to-day emotional support with parenting or raising children? (K8Q35) | H17 | H10 | H10 |
| If yes, did you receive emotional support from: | H18 | H11 | H11 |
| • Spouse or domestic partner? (EMOSUPSPPO) | H18a | H11a | H11a |
| • Other family member or close friend? (EMOSUPFAM) | H18b | H11b | H11b |
| • Health care provider? (EMOSUPHCP) | H18c | H11c | H11c |
| • Place of worship or religious leader? (EMOSUPWOR) | H18d | H11d | H11d |
| • Support or advocacy group related to specific health condition? (EMOSUPADV) | H18e | H11e | H11e |
| • Peer support group? (EMOSUPPEER) | H18f | H11f | H11f |
| • Counselor or other mental health professional? (EMOSUPMHP) | H18g | H11g | H11g |
| • Other person, specify (EMOSUPOTH) | H18h | H11h | H11h |
| Does this child receive care for at least 10 hours per week from someone other than their parent or guardian? (K6Q20) | H19 | - | - |
| 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? (K6Q27) | H20 | - | - |
| I. About Your Family and Household | | | |
| DURING THE PAST WEEK, on how many days did all the family members who live in the household eat a meal together? (K8Q11) | I1 | I1 | I1 |
| Does anyone living in your household use cigarettes, cigars, or pipe tobacco? (K9Q40) | I2 | I2 | I2 |
| If yes, does anyone smoke inside your home? (K9Q41) | I3 | I3 | I3 |

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| ^Does anyone vape or use e-cigarettes inside your home? (VAPE) | I4 | I4 | I4 |
| SINCE THIS CHILD WAS BORN, how often has it been very hard to cover the basics, like food or housing, on your family's income? (ACE1) | I5 | I5 | I5 |
| Which of these statements best describes your household's ability to afford the food you need DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS? (FOODSIT) | I6 | I6 | I6 |
| At any time DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, even for one month, did anyone in your family receive: | I7 | I7 | I7 |
| • Cash assistance from a government welfare program? (K11Q60) | I7a | I7a | I7a |
| • Food Stamps or Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) benefits? (K11Q61) | I7b | I7b | I7b |
| • Free or reduced-cost breakfasts or lunches at school? (K11Q62) | I7c | I7c | I7c |
| • ^School meal debit/Electronic Benefits Transfer (EBT) cards? (EBTCARDS) . . | I7d | I7d | I7d |
| • Benefits from the Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) Program? (S9Q34) . . | I7e | I7e | I7e |
| ^Does this child receive SSI, that is, Supplemental Security Income? (SSI) | I8 | I8 | I8 |
| ^If yes, is this for a disability they have? (SSIDISABILITY) | | | |
| ^DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, was there a time when you were not able to pay the mortgage or rent on this? (MISSMORTGAGE) | I9 | I9 | I9 |
| ^DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, how often were you worried or stressed about being evicted, foreclosed on, or having your housing condemned? (HOMEDEVIC) | I10 | I10 | I10 |
| ^DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, how many places has this child lived? (PLACESLIVED) | I11 | I11 | I11 |
| ^SINCE THIS CHILD WAS BORN, have they have ever been homeless or lived in a shelter? (EVERHOMELESS) | I12 | I12 | I12 |
| In your neighborhood, is/are there: | I13 | I13 | I13 |
| • Sidewalks or walking paths? (K10Q11) | I13a | I13a | I13a |
| • A park or playground? (K10Q12) | I13b | I13b | I13b |
| • A recreation center, community center, or boys' and girls' club? (K10Q13) . . | I13c | I13c | I13c |
| • A library or bookmobile? (K10Q14) | I13d | I13d | I13d |
| • Litter or garbage on the street or sidewalk? (K10Q20) | I13e | I13e | I13e |
| • Poorly kept or rundown housing? (K10Q22) | I13f | I13f | I13f |
| • Vandalism such as broken windows or graffiti? (K10Q23) | I13g | I13g | I13g |
| To what extent do you agree with these statements about your neighborhood or community? | I14 | I14 | I14 |
| • People in this neighborhood help each other out (K10Q30) | I14a | I14a | I14a |
| • We watch out for each other's children in this neighborhood (K10Q31) | I14b | I14b | I14b |
| • This child is safe in our neighborhood (K10Q40_R) | I14c | I14c | I14c |
| • When we encounter difficulties, we know where to go for help in our community (GOFORHELP) | I14d | I14d | I14d |
| • This child is safe at school (K10Q41_R) | - | I14e | I14e |
| Other than you or other adults in your home, is there at least one other adult in this child's school, neighborhood, or community who knows this child well and who they can rely on for advice or guidance? (K9Q96) | - | I15 | I15 |

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| To the best of your knowledge, has this child EVER experienced any of the following? | I15 | I16 | I16 |
| • Parent or guardian divorced or separated (ACE3) | I15a | I16a | I16a |
| • Parent or guardian died (ACE4) | I15b | I16b | I16b |
| • Parent or guardian served time in jail or prison (ACE5) | I15c | I16c | I16c |
| • Saw or heard parents or adults slap, hit, kick punch one another in the home (ACE6) | I15d | I16d | I16d |
| • Was a victim of violence or witnessed violence in their neighborhood (ACE7) | I15e | I16e | I16e |
| • Lived with anyone who was mentally ill, suicidal, or severely depressed (ACE8) | I15f | I16f | I16f |
| • Lived with anyone who had a problem with alcohol or drugs (ACE9) | I15g | I16g | I16g |
| • Treated or judged unfairly because of their race or ethnic group (ACE10) ... | I15h | I16h | I16h |
| • Treated or judged unfairly because of their sexual orientation or gender identity (ACE12) | - | I16i | I16i |
| • Treated or judged unfairly because of a health condition or disability (ACE11) | I15i | I16j | I16j |
| When your family faces problems, how often are you likely to do each of the following? | I16 | I17 | I17 |
| • Talk together about what to do (TALKABOUT) | I16a | I17a | I17a |
| • Work together to solve our problems (WKTOSOLVE) | I16b | I17b | I17b |
| • Know we have strengths to draw on (STRENGTHS) | I16c | I17c | I17c |
| • Stay hopeful even in difficult times (HOPEFUL) | I16d | I17d | I17d |
| Impact of the Coronavirus Pandemic | | | |
| DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, has this child had any health care visits by video or phone? (VIDEOPHONE) | I17 | I18 | I18 |
| If yes, were any of this child's health care visits by video or phone because of the coronavirus pandemic? (VIDEOPHONECOVID) | | | |
| DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, did this child miss, delay or skip any PREVENTIVE check-ups because of the coronavirus pandemic? (COVIDCHECKUPS) | I18 | I19 | I19 |
| DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS, have any of this child's regular (daycare or) childcare arrangements been closed or unavailable at any time because of the coronavirus pandemic? (COVIDARRANGE) | I19 | I20 | - |
| J. Child's Caregivers | | | |
| <i>The questions are first asked of the respondent ("About you") and then asked for a second adult if "Yes" to J13 "Does this child have another parent or adult caregiver who lives in this household?". In 2022, the second adult (if any) is referred to as "other parent or caregiver in the household".</i> | | | |
| How are you/this other caregiver related to this child? (A1_RELATION) (A2_RELATION) | J1/J14 | J1/J14 | J1/J14 |
| What is your/this caregiver's sex? (A1_SEX) (A2_SEX) | J2/J15 | J2/J15 | J2/J15 |
| What is your/this caregiver's age? (A1_AGE) (A2_AGE) | J3/J16 | J3/J16 | J3/J16 |
| Where were you/this caregiver born? (A1_BORN) (A2_BORN) | J4/J17 | J4/J17 | J4/J17 |
| {If outside of the U.S.} When did you/this caregiver come to live in the United States? (A1_LIVEUSA) (A2_LIVEUSA) | J5/J18 | J5/J18 | J5/J18 |
| What is the highest grade or level of school you/this caregiver have completed? (A1_GRADE) (A2_GRADE) | J6/J19 | J6/J19 | J6/J19 |

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| What is your/this caregiver's marital status? (A1_MARITAL) (A2_MARITAL) | J7/J20 | J7/J20 | J7/J20 |
| In general, how is your/this caregiver's physical health? (A1_PHYSHEALTH) (A2_PHYSHEALTH) | J8/J21 | J8/J21 | J8/J21 |
| In general, how is your/this caregiver's mental or emotional health? (A1_MENTHEALTH) (A2_MENTHEALTH) | J9/J22 | J9/J22 | J9/J22 |
| Which of the following best describes your/this caregiver's current employment status? (A1_EMPLOYED) (A2_EMPLOYED) | J10/J23 | J10/J23 | J10/J23 |
| Have you/this caregiver ever served on active duty in the U.S. Armed Forces, Reserves, or the National Guard? (A1_ACTIVE) (A2_ACTIVE) | J11/J24 | J11/J24 | J11/J24 |
| Were you/this caregiver deployed at any time during this child's life? (A1_DEPLSTAT) (A2_DEPLSTAT) | J12/J25 | J12/J25 | J12/J25 |
| Does this child have another parent or adult caregiver who lives in this household? . | J13 | J13 | J13 |
| K. Household Information | | | |
| How many people are living or staying at this address? (HHCOUNT) | K1 | K1 | K1 |
| How many of these people in your household are family members? (FAMCOUNT) . . | K2 | K2 | K2 |
| Income in 2021 (<i>The public use file does not include the following individual variables[#] but are presented as an aggregate variable labeled FPL (if imputed FPL_I).</i> Income in 2021. Mark Yes or No for each type of income this child's family received, and give best estimate of the total amount in the last calendar year | K3 | K3 | K3 |
| • Wages, salary, commissions, bonuses, or tips from all jobs? (INCWAGES) [#] . . | K3a | K3a | K3a |
| • Self-employment income from own nonfarm businesses or farm businesses, including proprietorships and partnerships? (INCSSELFEMP) [#] | K3b | K3b | K3b |
| • Interest, dividends, net rental income, royalty income, or income from estates and trusts? (INCINTDIV) [#] | K3c | K3c | K3c |
| • Social security or railroad retirement; retirement, survivor, or disability pensions? (INCSSRR) [#] | K3d | K3d | K3d |
| • Supplemental security income (SSI); any public assistance or welfare payments from the state or local welfare office? (INCSSIPA) [#] | K3e | K3e | K3e |
| • Any other sources of income received regularly such as Veterans' (VA) payments, unemployment compensation, child support, or alimony? (INCOTHER) [#] | K3f | K3f | K3f |
| Think about your total combined family income IN THE LAST CALENDAR YEAR for all members of the family. What is that amount before taxes? (TOTINCOME) [#] | K4 | K4 | K4 |

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