

# **2009 National Household Education Surveys Program**

## **Early Childhood Program Participation Survey**

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# National Household Education Survey

Our Children's Future: A Survey of Young Children's Care and Education



Thank you for helping us with this survey. Based on the information we received from your household in your last survey, we're asking you to complete this final step.

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## Instructions

- ◆ In response to the survey you answered earlier, we recorded that the child/youth listed below has not yet started kindergarten. If this child is attending public or private school or is homeschooled for kindergarten through 12<sup>th</sup> grade or equivalent, please call us at the toll-free number below so we can be sure you received the correct survey.
- ◆ These questions should be filled in by a parent or guardian who knows about:

**{SAMPLED CHILD}**

Please answer all the survey questions thinking about this child or youth.

- ◆ To answer a question, simply mark  the box that best represents your answer.
- ◆ Please use a black or blue pen, if available, to complete this survey.
- ◆ If this questionnaire has been sent to the wrong household or the child/youth listed above does not live here, please call to let us know.
- ◆ Our toll-free number is 1-888-880-3033.

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We are authorized to collect this information by Section 9543, 20 US Code. You do not have to provide the information requested. However, the information you provide will help the Department of Education's ongoing efforts to learn more about the educational experiences of children and families. There are no penalties should you choose not to participate in this study. Your answers may be used only for statistical purposes and may not be disclosed, or used, in identifiable form for any other purpose except as required by law (Section 9573, 20 US Code). Your responses will be combined with those from other participants to produce summary statistics and reports.

This survey is estimated to take an average of 20 minutes, including time for reviewing instructions and completing and reviewing 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: Andrew Zuckerberg, National Center for Education Statistics, U.S. Department of Education, 1990 K Street NW, Room 9036, Washington, DC 20006-5650. Do not return the completed form to this address.

# 1. Childhood Care and Programs

- ▶ Thank you for your help with the previous survey your household completed.
- ▶ Answer all the survey questions thinking about the child listed below:

{SAMPLED CHILD}

## ▶ Care Your Child Receives from Relatives

*These questions ask about different types of child care this child may now receive on a regular basis from someone other than his/her parents or guardians.*

1. Is this child now receiving care from a relative other than a parent on a regular basis, for example, from grandparents, brothers or sisters, or any other relatives?

No → **GO TO question 17.**

Yes

2. Are any of these care arrangements regularly scheduled at least once a week?

No → **GO TO question 17.**

Yes

3. These next questions are about the care that this child receives from the relative who provides the most care. How is that relative related to this child?

Mark [X] ONE only.

Grandmother/Grandfather

Aunt /Uncle

Brother /Sister

Another relative

4. How old is the relative who provides the most care to this child?

|\_|\_|  
age

5. Is this care provided in your home or another home?

Own home

Other home

Both

6. How many days each week does this child receive care from this relative?

|\_| days each week

7. How many hours each week does this child receive care from this relative?

|\_|\_| hours each week

8. How old was this child in years and months when this particular regular care arrangement with this relative began?

|\_| years |\_|\_| months

9. What language does this relative speak most when caring for this child?

English

Spanish

A language other than English or Spanish

English and Spanish equally

English and another language equally

10. Will this relative care for this child when the child is...

Yes No  
▼ ▼

- a. Sick but does not have a fever?.....
- b. Sick and has a fever?.....

11. Is there any charge or fee for the care this child receives from this relative, paid either by you or some other person or agency?

- Yes
- No → **GO TO question 15.**

12. Do any of the following people, programs, or organizations help pay for this relative to care for this child?

Mark [X] ONE box for each item below.

Yes No  
▼ ▼

- a. A relative of this child outside your household who provides money specifically for that care, not including general child support.....
- b. Temporary Assistance for Needy Families, or TANF.....
- c. Another social service, welfare, or child care agency.....
- d. An employer, not including a tax-free spending account for child care.....
- e. Someone else.....

13. How much does your household pay for this relative to care for this child, not counting any money that may be received from others to help pay for care?

Write '0' if your household does not pay this relative for care.

\$|\_|\_|\_|\_|\_|.00

Is that amount per...

- Hour
- Day
- Week
- Month
- Year
- Every 2 weeks
- Other → Specify: \_\_\_\_\_

14. How many children from your household is this amount for, including this child?

- This child only
- 2 children
- 3 children
- 4 children
- 5 or more children

15. Does this child have any other care arrangements with a relative on a regular basis?

- Yes
- No → **GO TO question 17.**

16. How many total hours each week does this child spend in those other care arrangements with relatives?

|\_|\_| hours each week

► **Care Your Child Receives from Non-relatives**

*The next questions ask about any care this child receives from someone not related to him/her, either in your home or someone else's home. This includes home child care providers or neighbors, but not day care centers or preschools.*

17. Is this child now receiving care in your home or another home on a regular basis from someone who is not related to him/her?

No ➔ **GO TO question 34.**

Yes



18. Are any of these care arrangements regularly scheduled at least once a week?

No ➔ **GO TO question 34.**

Yes



19. These next questions are about the care that this child receives from someone who is not related to him/her who provides the most care.

Is this care provided in your own home or in another home?

Own home

Other home } **GO TO**

Both } **question 21.**

20. Does this person who cares for this child live in your household?

Yes

No

21. How many days each week does this child receive care from this person?

|\_| days each week

22. How many hours each week does this child receive care from this person?

|\_|\_| hours each week

23. How old was this child in years and months when this particular regular care arrangement with this person began?

|\_| years |\_|\_| months

24. Was this care provider someone you already knew?

Yes

No

25. Is this child's care provider age 18 or older?

Yes

No

26. What language does this care provider speak most when caring for this child?

English

Spanish

A language other than English or Spanish

English and Spanish equally

English and another language equally

27. Will this care provider care for this child when this child is...

Yes    No  
▼    ▼

a. Sick but does not have a fever?.....

b. Sick and has a fever?.....

28. Is there any charge or fee for the care this child receives from this care provider, paid either by you or some other person or agency?

Yes

No → **GO TO question 32.**

29. Do any of the following people, programs, or organizations help pay for this person to care for this child?

Mark [X] ONE box for each item below.

	Yes ▼	No ▼
a. A relative of this child outside your household who provides money <u>specifically</u> for that care, not including general child support.....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b. Temporary Assistance for Needy Families, or TANF.....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
c. Another social service, welfare, or child care agency.....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
d. An employer, not including a tax-free spending account for child care.....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
e. Someone else.....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

30. How much does your household pay for this person to care for this child, not counting any money that may be received from others to help pay for care?

Write '0' if your household does not pay this non-relative for care.

\$|\_|\_|\_|\_|\_|.00

Is that amount per...

Hour

Day

Week

Month

Year

Every 2 weeks

Other → Specify: \_\_\_\_\_

31. How many children from your household is this amount for, including this child?

This child only

2 children

3 children

4 children

5 or more children

32. Does this child have any other care arrangements with someone who is not a relative on a regular basis? Do not include arrangements at day care centers or preschools.

Yes

No → **GO TO question 34.**

33. How many total hours each week does this child spend in those other care arrangements with non-relatives?

|\_|\_| hours each week

► **Day Care Centers and Preschool Programs Your Child Attends**

*The next questions ask about any day care centers and early childhood programs that this child attends. This does not include care provided in a private home.*

34. **Is this child now attending a day care center, preschool, or prekindergarten not in a private home?**

No ➡ **GO TO question 51.**

Yes



35. **Does this child go to a day care center, preschool, or prekindergarten, at least once each week?**

No ➡ **GO TO question 51.**

Yes



36. **The next questions ask about the program where this child spends the most time. Where is this program located?**

*Mark [X] ONE only.*

Church, synagogue, or other place of worship

Public preschool or school (K-12)

Private preschool or school (K-12)

College or university

Community center

Public library

Its own building, or storefront

Some other place

Specify: \_\_\_\_\_

37. **Is this program a Head Start or Early Head Start program?**

*Head Start and Early Head Start are federally sponsored preschool programs primarily for children from low-income families.*

Yes

No

38. **Is this program run by a church, synagogue, or other religious group?**

Yes

No

39. **Is this program located at your workplace or this child's other parent's workplace?**

Yes

No

40. **How many days each week does this child go to this program?**

|\_| days each week

41. **How many hours each week does this child go to this program?**

|\_|\_| hours each week

42. **How old was this child in years and months when he/she started going to this particular program?**

|\_| years |\_|\_| months

43. **What language does this child's main care provider or teacher at this program speak most when caring for this child?**

English

Spanish

A language other than English or Spanish

English and Spanish equally

English and another language equally

► **Continue with question 44 on the next page.**

**44. Does this program provide any of the following services to this child or your family?**

e. Someone else.....

Mark [X] ONE box for each item below.

- |   | Yes<br>▼                 | No<br>▼                  |
|---|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| a. Hearing, speech, or vision testing.....                                | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| b. Physical examinations.....   | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| c. Dental examinations.....   | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| d. Formal testing for developmental or learning problems.....             | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| e. Sick child care when this child is sick but does not have a fever..... | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| f. Sick child care when this child is sick and has a fever.....           | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

**45. Is there any charge or fee for this program, paid either by you or some other person or agency?**

Yes

No **→ GO TO question 49.**

**46. Do any of the following people, programs, or organizations help pay for this child to go to this program?**

Mark [X] ONE box for each item below.

- |   | Yes<br>▼                 | No<br>▼                  |
|---|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| a. A relative of this child outside your household who provides money <u>specifically</u> for that care, not including general child support..... | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| b. Temporary Assistance for Needy Families, or TANF.....  | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| c. Another social service, welfare, or child care agency.....   | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| d. An employer, not including a tax-free spending account for child care.....   | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

47. How much does your household pay for this child to go to this program, not counting any money that you may receive from others to help pay for care?

Write '0' if your household does not pay for this program.

\$|\_|\_|\_|\_|\_|.00

Is that amount per...

- Hour
- Day
- Week
- Month
- Year
- Every 2 weeks
- Other  Specify: \_\_\_\_\_

48. How many children from your household is this amount for, including this child?

- This child only
- 2 children
- 3 children
- 4 children
- 5 or more children

49. Does this child have any other care arrangements at a day care center or preschool on a regular basis?

- Yes
- No  **GO TO question 51.**

50. How many total hours each week does this child spend at those day care centers or preschools?

|\_|\_| hours each week

## 2. Finding and Choosing Care for Your Child

**51. Has this child ever attended a Head Start or Early Head Start program?**

*Head Start and Early Head Start are federally sponsored preschool programs primarily for children from low-income families.*

- Yes  
 No

**52. How much difficulty did you have finding the type of child care or early childhood program you wanted for this child?**

- A lot of difficulty  
 Some difficulty  
 A little difficulty  
 No difficulty  
 Did not find the child care program you wanted

*The next question asks about how you decided on the child care arrangements and early childhood programs you now have for this child.*

**53. How important was each of these reasons when you chose the child care arrangement or program where this child spends the most time?**

**a. The location of the arrangement?**

- Not at all important  
 A little important  
 Somewhat important  
 Very important

**b. The cost of the arrangement?**

- Not at all important  
 A little important  
 Somewhat important  
 Very important

**c. The reliability of the arrangement?**

- Not at all important  
 A little important  
 Somewhat important  
 Very important

**d. The learning activities at the arrangement?**

- Not at all important  
 A little important  
 Somewhat important  
 Very important

**e. The child spending time with other kids his/her age?**

- Not at all important  
 A little important  
 Somewhat important  
 Very important

**f. The times during the day that this caregiver is able to provide care?**

- Not at all important  
 A little important  
 Somewhat important  
 Very important

**g. The number of other children in the child's care group?**

- Not at all important  
 A little important  
 Somewhat important  
 Very important

**54. Do you feel there are good choices for child care or early childhood programs where you live?**

- Yes

No

Don't know / Have not tried to find care

### 3. Family Activities

The next questions ask about this child's activities with family members in the past week or month.

55. About how many books does this child have of his/her own, including those shared with brothers or sisters?

|\_|\_| number of books

56. How many times have you or someone in your family read to this child in the past week?

- Not at all **➡ GO TO question 58.**  
 1 or 2 times  
 3 or more times  
 Every day

57. About how many minutes on each of those days did you or someone in your family read to this child?

|\_|\_| minutes

58. In the past week, how many times has anyone in your family done the following things with this child?

- a. Told this child a story?

- Not at all  
 1 or 2 times  
 3 or more times

- b. Taught this child letters, words, or numbers?

- Not at all  
 1 or 2 times  
 3 or more times

- c. Taught this child songs or music?

- Not at all  
 1 or 2 times  
 3 or more times

- d. Worked on arts and crafts with this child?

- Not at all  
 1 or 2 times  
 3 or more times

59. In the past month, have you or someone in your family visited a library with this child?

- Yes  
 No

- Continue with section 4 on the next page.

## 4. Things Your Child May be Learning

*These next questions ask about things that different children do at different ages. These things may or may not be true for this child.*

**60. Is this child under 2 years old or is he/she 2 years old or older?**

Under 2 years **→GO TO question 68.**

2 years or older

**61. Can this child identify the colors red, yellow, blue, and green by name?**

Yes, all of them

Yes, some of them

No

**62. Can this child recognize the letters of the alphabet?**

Yes, all of them

Yes, most of them

Yes, some of them

No

**63. How high can this child count?**

This child cannot count

Up to 5

Up to 10

Up to 20

Up to 50

Up to 100 or more

**64. Can this child write his/her first name, even if some of the letters are backwards?**

Yes

No

**65. Does this child ever look at a book and pretend to read?**

Yes

No **→ GO TO question 67.**

**66. When this child pretends to read a book, does it sound like a connected story, or does he/she tell what's in each picture without much connection between them?**

Sounds like connected story

Tells what's in each picture

Does both

**67. Is this child able to read story books on his/her own now?**

Yes

No

► **Continue with section 5, question 68 on the next page.**

## 5. This Child's Health

68. In general, how would you describe this child's health?

- Excellent
- Very good
- Good
- Fair
- Poor

69. Has a health professional told you that this child has any of the following conditions?

Mark [X] ONE box for each item below.

- |   | Yes<br>▼                 | No<br>▼                  |
|---|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| a. A specific learning disability..                                       | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| b. Mental retardation.....  | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| c. A speech or language delay..   | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| d. A serious emotional disturbance.....                                   | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| e. Deafness or another hearing impairment.....                            | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| f. Blindness or another visual impairment not corrected with glasses..... | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| g. An orthopedic impairment.....  | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| h. Autism.....  | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| i. Attention deficit disorder, ADD or ADHD.....                           | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| j. Pervasive Developmental Disorder or PDD.....                           | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| k. Another health impairment lasting 6 months or more.....                | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

**!** If you marked yes for any condition in question 69, continue with question 70. If you marked no for all conditions, then GO TO question 77, the next section.

70. Is this child receiving services for his/her condition?

- Yes
- No → **GO TO question 75.**

71. Are these services provided by any of the following sources?

Mark [X] ONE box for each item below.

- |  | Yes<br>▼                 | No<br>▼                  |
|--|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| a. Your local school district.....                       | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| b. A state or local health or social service agency..... | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| c. A doctor, clinic, or other health care provider.....  | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

72. Are any of these services provided through an Individualized Family Service Plan (IFSP), or an Individualized Educational Program or Plan (IEP)?

- Yes
- No → **GO TO question 75.**

73. Did any adult in your household work with the service provider or school to develop or change this child's IFSP or IEP?

- Yes
- No

**74. During this school year, to what extent have you been satisfied or dissatisfied with the following aspects of this child's IFSP or IEP?**

**a. The service provider's or school's communication with your family?**

- Very satisfied
- Somewhat satisfied
- Somewhat dissatisfied
- Very dissatisfied
- Does not apply

**b. The child's special needs teacher or therapist?**

- Very satisfied
- Somewhat satisfied
- Somewhat dissatisfied
- Very dissatisfied
- Does not apply

**c. The service provider's or school's ability to accommodate the child's special needs?**

- Very satisfied
- Somewhat satisfied
- Somewhat dissatisfied
- Very dissatisfied
- Does not apply

**d. The service provider's or school's commitment to help your child learn?**

- Very satisfied
- Somewhat satisfied
- Somewhat dissatisfied
- Very dissatisfied
- Does not apply

**75. Is this child currently enrolled in any special education classes or services?**

- Yes
- No

**76. Does this child's condition affect his/her ability to learn?**

- Yes
- No

► **Continue with section 6, question 77 on the next page.**

## 6. Child's Background

77. In what month and year was this child born?

\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_  
month year

78. Where was this child born?

One of the 50 United States or the District of Columbia

 **GO TO question 80.**

One of the U.S. territories  
(Puerto Rico, Guam, American Samoa,  
U.S. Virgin Islands, or Mariana Islands)

Another country

79. How old was this child when he/she first moved to the 50 United States or the District of Columbia?

\_\_\_\_  
age

80. Is this child of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino origin?

Yes

No

81. What is this child's race? You may mark one or more races.

American Indian or Alaska Native

Asian

Black or African American

Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander

White

82. For the current school year, does this child usually live at another address, for example, because of a joint custody arrangement?

*Do not include vacation properties.*

Yes

No

83. What language does this child speak most at home?

*Mark [X] ONE only.*

English

Spanish

A language other than English or Spanish

English and Spanish equally

English and another language equally

Child has not started to speak

**!** If you marked 'English' or 'Child has not started to speak' in question 83, GO TO question 85. Otherwise, continue with question 84.

84. Is this child currently enrolled in English as a second language, bilingual education, or an English immersion program?

Yes

No

► Continue with section 7, question 85 on the next page.

## 7. Child's Mother or Female Guardian

85. Does this child have a mother, stepmother or female guardian living in the same household?

- No **→ GO TO question 101.**
- Yes



86. Is this person the child's...

- Birth mother,
- Adoptive mother,
- Stepmother,
- Foster mother,
- Grandmother, or
- Other female guardian?

87. How old was this woman when she first became a mother or guardian to any child?

\_\_\_\_|\_\_\_\_|  
age

88. What is the current marital status of this child's mother or female guardian?

Mark [X] ONE only.

- Married
- Living with a partner
- Separated
- Divorced
- Widowed
- Never married

89. What was the first language this child's mother or female guardian learned to speak?

Mark [X] ONE only.

- English **→ GO TO question 91.**
- Spanish
- A language other than English or Spanish
- English and Spanish equally
- English and another language equally

90. What language does she speak most at home now?

Mark [X] ONE only.

- English
- Spanish
- A language other than English or Spanish
- English and Spanish equally
- English and another language equally

91. Where was this child's mother or female guardian born?

- One of the 50 United States or the District of Columbia



**GO TO question 93.**

- One of the U.S. territories  
(Puerto Rico, Guam, American Samoa, U.S. Virgin Islands, or Mariana Islands)
- Another country

92. How old was she when she first moved to the 50 United States or the District of Columbia?

\_\_\_\_|\_\_\_\_|  
age

93. Is she of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino origin?

- Yes
- No

94. What is her race? You may mark one or more races.

- American Indian or Alaska Native
- Asian
- Black or African American
- Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander
- White

95. What is the highest grade or level of school that she completed?

Mark [X] ONE only.

- 8<sup>th</sup> grade or less
- High school, but no diploma
- High school diploma or equivalent (GED)
- Vocational diploma after high school
- Some college, but no degree
- Associate's degree (AA, AS)
- Bachelor's degree (BA, BS)
- Some graduate or professional education, but no degree
- Master's degree (MA, MS)
- Doctorate degree (PhD, EdD)
- Professional degree beyond bachelor's degree (MD, DDS, JD, LLB)

96. Is she currently attending or enrolled in a school, college, university, or adult learning center, or receiving vocational education or job training?

- Yes
- No

97. Which of the following best describes her employment status?

Mark [X] ONE only.

- Employed for pay or income
- Self-employed
- Unemployed or out of work → **GO TO question 99.**
- Stay at home mother → **GO TO question 100.**
- Retired → **GO TO question 100.**
- Disabled or unable to work → **GO TO question 100.**

98. (If employed or self-employed) About how many hours per week does she usually work for pay or income, counting all jobs?

\_\_\_\_|\_\_\_\_| → **GO TO question 100.**  
hours

99. (If unemployed or out of work) Has she been actively looking for work in the past 4 weeks?

- Yes
- No

100. In the past 12 months, how many months (if any) has she worked for pay or income?

\_\_\_\_|\_\_\_\_|  
months

► Continue with section 8, question 101 on the next page.

## 8. Child's Father or Male Guardian

101. Does this child have a father, stepfather or male guardian living in the same household?

No **➔ GO TO question 116.**

Yes

102. Is this person the child's...

Birth father,

Adoptive father,

Stepfather,

Foster father,

Grandfather, or

Other male guardian?

103. What is the current marital status of this child's father or male guardian?

Mark [X] ONE only.

Married

Living with a partner

Separated

Divorced

Widowed

Never married

104. What was the first language this child's father or male guardian learned to speak?

Mark [X] ONE only.

English **➔ GO TO question 106.**

Spanish

A language other than English or Spanish

English and Spanish equally

English and another language equally

105. What language does he speak most at home now?

Mark [X] ONE only.

English

Spanish

A language other than English or Spanish

English and Spanish equally

English and another language equally

106. Where was this child's father or male guardian born?

One of the 50 United States or the District of Columbia

**➔ GO TO question 108.**

One of the U.S. territories  
(Puerto Rico, Guam, American Samoa,  
U.S. Virgin Islands, or Mariana Islands)

Another country

107. How old was he when he first moved to the 50 United States or the District of Columbia?

\_\_\_\_\_  
age

108. Is he of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino origin?

Yes

No

109. What is his race? You may mark one or more races.

American Indian or Alaska Native

Asian

Black or African American

Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander

White

**110. What is the highest grade or level of school that he completed?**

Mark [X] ONE only.

- 8<sup>th</sup> grade or less
- High school, but no diploma
- High school diploma or equivalent (GED)
- Vocational diploma after high school
- Some college, but no degree
- Associate's degree (AA, AS)
- Bachelor's degree (BA, BS)
- Some graduate or professional education, but no degree
- Master's degree (MA, MS)
- Doctorate degree (PhD, EdD)
- Professional degree beyond bachelor's degree (MD, DDS, JD, LLB)

**111. Is he currently attending or enrolled in a school, college, university, or adult learning center, or receiving vocational education or job training?**

- Yes
- No

**112. Which of the following best describes his employment status?**

Mark [X] ONE only.

- Employed for pay or income
- Self-employed
- Unemployed or out of work **→ GO TO question 114.**
- Stay at home father **→ GO TO question 115.**
- Retired **→ GO TO question 115.**
- Disabled or unable to work **→ GO TO question 115.**

**113. (If employed or self-employed) About how many hours per week does he usually work for pay or income, counting all jobs?**

\_\_\_\_|\_\_\_\_| **→ GO TO question 115.**  
hours

**114. (If unemployed or out of work) Has he been actively looking for work in the past 4 weeks?**

- Yes
- No

**115. In the past 12 months, how many months (if any) has he worked for pay or income?**

\_\_\_\_|\_\_\_\_|  
months

► **Continue with section 9, question 116 on the next page.**

## 9. Your Household

**116. Please mark all of the people who live in the household with this child, including yourself and those you have already been asked about.**

*Mark [X] all that apply.*

- Mother – birth, adoptive, step, or foster
- Father – birth, adoptive, step, or foster
- Brother – full, half, adoptive, step, or foster
- Sister – full, half, adoptive, step, or foster
- Aunt
- Uncle
- Grandmother
- Grandfather
- Cousin
- Other relative
- Same sex parent
- Girlfriend or partner of this child's parent or guardian
- Boyfriend or partner of this child's parent or guardian
- Other nonrelatives

**117. How many females live in this household?**

|\_|\_| number of females

**118. How many males live in this household?**

|\_|\_| number of males

**119. Of everyone in this household, how many are age 20 or younger?**

*Include the child selected for this survey.*

*Do not include those living in college housing.*

|\_|\_| number age 20 or younger

**120. Which language(s) are spoken at home by the adults in this household?**

*Mark [X] all that apply.*

- English
- Spanish or Spanish Creole
- French (including Patois, Creole, Cajun)
- Chinese
- Other languages

**121. Is this house...**

*Mark [X] ONE only.*

- Owned or being bought by someone in this household,
- Rented by someone in this household, or
- Occupied by some other arrangement?

**122. Other than this address, does anyone in this household currently receive mail at another address including P.O. Boxes?**

- Yes
- No

**123. In the past 12 months, did your family ever receive benefits from any of the following programs?**

Mark [X] ONE box for each item below.

	Yes ▼	No ▼
a. Temporary Assistance for Needy Families, or TANF.....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b. Your state welfare or family assistance program.....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
c. Women, Infants, and Children, or WIC.....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
d. Food Stamps.....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
e. Medicaid.....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
f. Child Health Insurance Program (CHIP).....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
g. Section 8 Housing assistance.....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

**124. Which category best fits the total income of all persons in your household over the past 12 months?**

Include your own income.

Include money from jobs or other earnings, pensions, interest, rent, Social Security payments, and so on.


- \$0 to \$10,000
- \$10,001 to \$20,000
- \$20,001 to \$30,000
- \$30,001 to \$40,000
- \$40,001 to \$50,000
- \$50,001 to \$60,000
- \$60,001 to \$75,000
- \$75,001 to \$100,000
- \$100,001 to \$150,000
- \$150,001 or more

## 10. Questions about You

*These questions are about the adult that filled in this survey. Your responses to these questions will help describe the homes children live in.*

### 125. How are you related to this child?

Mark [X] ONE only.

- Mother/Father  
(birth, adoptive, step, or foster)
- Aunt/Uncle
- Grandparent
- Girlfriend/Boyfriend of this child's parent or guardian
- Other relationship – specify: 

### 126. Are you male or female?

- Male
- Female

### 127. How many years have you lived at this address?

*Write '0' if less than 1 year.*

|\_|\_| years at this address

### 128. Do you have access to the internet at this address?

- Yes
- No

**129. Is there at least one telephone inside this home that is currently working and not a cell phone?**

Yes

No

**130. Do you have a working cell phone?**

Yes

No

**131. Of all the telephone calls that you receive are...**

all or almost all calls received on cell phones,

some received on cell phones and some on regular phones, or

all or almost all calls received on regular phones?

## **Thank you.**

Please return this questionnaire in the postage-paid envelope provided. If you have lost the envelope, mail the completed questionnaire to:

**National Household Education Survey  
Westat  
1600 Research Blvd. Room RC B16  
Rockville, MD 20850-9973**

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## Commonly Asked Questions

**Q: How did you get my address?**

A: Your address was randomly selected from among all of the home addresses in the nation. It was selected using scientific sampling methods to represent other households in the U.S.

**Q: Why should I take part in this study? Do I have to do this?**

A: You represent thousands of other households like yours, and you cannot be replaced. Your answers and opinions are very important to the success of this study. You may choose not to answer any or all questions in this survey. In order for the survey to be representative it is important that you complete and return this questionnaire.

**Q: I have more than one child in my household. Will I receive additional surveys for the other children in my household?**

A: No, each household will receive a survey for only one child, even if there are multiple children living in the household. In households with multiple children, one child was randomly selected to be included in the study.

**Q: How will my response help the Department of Education?**

A: The Department of Education wants to understand the care and early education of children. This survey is the only way that the Department of Education can learn about the types of care and early learning activities children receive. Your responses will be combined with those from other households to inform educators, policy makers, schools and universities about changes in the condition of education in the United States. Reports from past surveys can be found at [www.nces.ed.gov/nhes](http://www.nces.ed.gov/nhes).

**Q: How will the information I provide be used?**

A: Your responses will be combined with those of others to produce statistical summaries and reports. Your individual data will not be reported. Your answers may be used only for statistical purposes and may not be disclosed, or used, in identifiable form for any other purpose except as required by law (Section 9573, 20 US Code).

**Q: Who is sponsoring the study? Is this study conducted by the Federal Government?**

A: The National Center for Education Statistics, within the Department of Education, is authorized to conduct this study (Section 9543, 20 US Code). Westat has been contracted to conduct this study. This study has been approved by the Office of Management and Budget, the office that reviews all federally sponsored surveys. The approval number assigned to this study is XXXX-XXXX. You may send any comments about this survey, including its length, to the Federal Government. Write to: Andrew Zukerberg, National Center for Education Statistics, U.S. Department of Education, 1990 K Street NW, Room 9036, Washington, DC 20006-5650. You may send e-mail to [NHES@westat.com](mailto:NHES@westat.com).

**Q: Who is Westat?**

A: Westat is a research company located in Rockville, Maryland. Westat is conducting this survey under contract to the U.S. Department of Education. If you have any questions about the study contact Westat toll-free at 1-888-880-3033.