

California Health Interview Survey



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CHIS 2001 QUESTIONNAIRE TOPICS

	ADULT	ADOLESCENT	CHILD
HEALTH STATUS			
General health status, height and weight	✓	✓	✓
Childhood health conditions			✓
Emotional health status	✓	✓	
Missed school due to health problems		✓	✓
Need for specific equipment/disability	✓		
SPECIFIC HEALTH CONDITIONS/DISEASE MANAGEMENT			
Asthma	✓	✓	✓
Arthritis, high blood pressure/cholesterol, heart disease	✓		
Diabetes	✓	✓	
Attention deficit disorder (ADD)			✓
HEALTH BEHAVIORS			
Dietary intake, vitamin use, physical activity and exercise	✓	✓	
Alcohol and tobacco use	✓	✓	
Sexual behavior, sexually transmitted disease tests, birth control practice		✓	
Drug use		✓	
WOMEN'S HEALTH			
Menstrual cycle, menopause, hysterectomy, bone density test	✓		
Pregnancy history	✓	✓	
Cervical cancer (Pap) test, mammography, breast surgery information	✓		
CANCER HISTORY, PREVENTION, AND SCREENING			
Cancer history (respondent and family history)	✓		
Sunscreen use	✓	✓	✓
Colon cancer screening, prostate cancer (PSA) test	✓		
DENTAL HEALTH			
Last dental visit	✓	✓	✓
Dental insurance	✓		✓
Child's teeth and fluoride use, infant's baby bottle use			✓
MENTAL HEALTH			
Mental health and care over past 12 months	✓	✓	
Medications, delays in care, emergency room use, insurance coverage	✓		
INJURY PREVENTION, VIOLENCE, GUN ACCESS/USE			
Serious injury and bike helmet use		✓	✓
Seat belt use		✓	
Use of firearms, physical violence, stalking		✓	
Presence of guns in the home and firearms training			
HEALTH INSURANCE			
Current insurance coverage, type, and who pays for it	✓	✓	✓
Reasons for no coverage	✓	✓	✓
Type of health plan	✓	✓	✓
Whether employer offers coverage and is employee eligible	✓		
Coverage over past 12 months, differences from current coverage	✓	✓	✓

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ACCESS TO AND USE OF HEALTH CARE			
Usual source of care, visits to medical doctor, reasons for no care	✓	✓	✓
Alternate sources of care	✓		✓
ER visits/hospitalization for chronic conditions/injury	✓	✓	✓
Delays in getting care (prescriptions, tests, treatment)	✓	✓	✓
Visits to other countries to get care and prescription drugs	✓	✓	✓
Perceived discrimination in getting health care	✓	✓	✓
Recall of provider advice		✓	
Ability of teen to contact a doctor		✓	
Child immunizations (delays, physician reminders)			✓
EMPLOYMENT	ADULT	ADOLESCENT	CHILD
Employment status	✓	✓	
Work in last week, occupation and industry, type of main work	✓		
Hours worked at all jobs	✓	✓	
INCOME	ADULT	ADOLESCENT	CHILD
Respondent's and spouse's earnings last month before taxes	✓		
Household annual income before taxes	✓		
Number of persons supported by household annual income	✓		
Household income as a percent of federal poverty level (FPL)	✓		
Food insecurity assessment (persons below 200% FPL)	✓		
PUBLIC PROGRAM PARTICIPATION & ELIGIBILITY (if below 300% FPL)	ADULT	ADOLESCENT	CHILD
AFDC, TANF, CalWorks, Public Housing, Food Stamps, SSI/SDSI, WIC	✓	✓	✓
Physical or mental impairment or blindness as eligibility criteria	✓		
Assets, alimony and/or child support (received/paid)	✓		
Reason for nonparticipation in Medi-Cal by potentially eligible persons	✓	✓	✓
PARENTAL INVOLVEMENT AND SOCIAL INTERACTION	ADULT	ADOLESCENT	CHILD
Parental presence after school, perception of parental caring		✓	
Parental knowledge of whereabouts and activities		✓	
Family interaction with friends/relatives			✓
Plans after high school		✓	
Frequency of reading a book or story to child			✓
Weekday and weekend time with video/computer games		✓	✓
CHILD CARE	ADULT	ADOLESCENT	CHILD
Current child care arrangements			✓
Overall satisfaction with child care			✓
Child care over past 12 months			✓
Number of hours child is left without supervision			✓
RESPONDENT CHARACTERISTICS	ADULT	ADOLESCENT	CHILD
Age, gender, marital status, education of respondent (or parents)	✓	✓	✓
Race and ethnicity	✓	✓	✓
Sexual orientation	✓	✓	
Citizenship, immigration status, country of birth, English language proficiency	✓	✓	✓

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