

# California Health Interview Survey



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## CHIS 2003 QUESTIONNAIRE TOPICS

	ADULT	ADOLESCENT	CHILD
<b>HEALTH STATUS</b>			
General health status, height and weight	✓	✓	✓
Emotional health		✓	
Days missed from school due to health problems		✓	✓
<b>HEALTH CONDITIONS</b>			
Asthma	✓	✓	✓
Heart disease, high blood pressure, epilepsy	✓		
Diabetes	✓	✓	
Physical disability/need for special equipment	✓	✓	✓
Elder health (stroke, falls, incontinence)	✓		
Parental concerns with child development, attention deficit disorder (ADD)			✓
<b>HEALTH BEHAVIORS</b>			
Dietary intake		✓	✓
Physical activity and exercise		✓	✓
Walking for transportation and leisure	✓		
Flu and pneumonia immunization	✓		
Alcohol and tobacco use	✓	✓	
Drug use		✓	
Sexual behavior, STD testing, birth control practices	✓	✓	
<b>WOMEN'S HEALTH</b>			
Pap test screening, mammography screening, self-breast exam	✓		
Emergency contraception, pregnancy status	✓	✓	
Menopause, hormone replacement therapy (HRT)	✓		
<b>CANCER HISTORY AND PREVENTION</b>			
Cancer history of respondent	✓		
Colon cancer screening, prostate cancer (PSA) test	✓		
<b>DENTAL HEALTH</b>			
Last dental visit, could not afford care, missed school/work days	✓	✓	✓
Dental insurance coverage	✓	✓	✓
<b>INJURY/VIOLENCE</b>			
Serious injuries (frequency, cause)		✓	✓
Injury prevention behaviors (bike helmets, seatbelts)		✓	✓
Infant-toddler home safety			✓
Interpersonal violence		✓	
<b>ACCESS TO AND USE OF HEALTH CARE</b>			
Usual source of care, visits to medical doctor	✓	✓	✓
Emergency room visits	✓	✓	✓
Delays in getting care (prescriptions, tests, treatment)	✓	✓	✓
Health care discrimination due to race or ethnic group	✓		
Communication problems with doctor	✓	✓	✓
Ability and parental knowledge of teen contacting a doctor		✓	
Child immunization reminders			✓

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<b>HEALTH INSURANCE</b>			
Current insurance coverage, spouse's coverage, who pays for it	✓	✓	✓
Health plan enrollment, characteristics and assessment of plan	✓	✓	✓
Whether employer offers coverage, respondent/spouse eligibility	✓		
Coverage over past 12 months	✓	✓	✓
Reasons for lack of insurance	✓	✓	✓
<b>EMPLOYMENT</b>			
Employment status, spouse's employment status	✓		
Work in last week, industry and occupation	✓		
Hours worked at all jobs	✓	✓	
<b>INCOME</b>			
Respondent and spouse's earnings last month before taxes	✓		
Household income (annual before taxes)	✓		
Number of persons supported by household income	✓		
Assets	✓		
<b>PUBLIC PROGRAM ELIGIBILITY</b>			
Household poverty level (100%, 130%, 200%, 300% FPL)	✓		
Program participation (TANF, CalWorks, Public Housing, Food Stamps, SSI, SSDI, WIC)	✓	✓	✓
Assets, alimony/child support/social security/pension	✓		
Reason for Medi-Cal non-participation among potential eligibles	✓	✓	✓
<b>FOOD INSECURITY/HUNGER</b>			
Availability of food in household over past 12 months	✓		
<b>PARENTAL INVOLVEMENT</b>			
Parental presence after school, parental knowledge of whereabouts and activities		✓	
Child's activities with family			✓
<b>NEIGHBORHOOD AND HOUSING</b>			
Neighborhood cohesion	✓		
Neighborhood safety	✓	✓	
Neighborhood characteristics for children			✓
Length of time at current address/neighborhood, type of housing	✓		
Home ownership, number of rooms, amount of mortgage/rent	✓		
<b>CHILD CARE</b>			
Current child care arrangements			✓
Child care over past 12 months			✓
Reason for lack of childcare			✓
<b>RESPONDENT CHARACTERISTICS</b>			
Age, gender, height, weight, education	✓	✓	✓
Race and ethnicity	✓	✓	✓
Marital status	✓		
Sexual orientation	✓		
Citizenship, immigration status, country of birth, English language proficiency	✓	✓	✓