

CDC/NIDCR Dental, Oral and Craniofacial Data Resource Center Survey Questions

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Last Dental Visit

Q.6, NIDR Employed Adults, 1985–1986

How long has it been since your last visit for dental care?

- Within past 12 months
- 1-2 years
- 3-5 years
- More than 5 years
- Never received dental care

Q.7, NIDR Employed Adults, 1985–1986

What was the main reason for your last visit for dental care?

- No visit
- Regular checkup
- To have teeth cleaned
- To have teeth filled
- To have teeth pulled or other surgery
- Toothache
- Adjustment or repair of a denture
- To have a denture made
- For a prescription
- Bleeding gums or periodontal disease
- Loose teeth
- Problems with 3rd molar (wisdom teeth)
- Some other reason (please specify) _____

Q.HC20, NHANES I, 1971–1975

When was the last time you visited or talked with a dentist about yourself...

At a dentist's office?

- 1 Never
- 2 Less than 6 months ago
- 3 6 through 11 months ago
- 4 1 but less than 2 years ago
- 5 2 through 4 years ago
- 6 5 or more years ago

At a hospital dental clinic?

- 1 Never
- 2 Less than 6 months ago
- 3 6 through 11 months ago
- 4 1 but less than 2 years ago
- 5 2 through 4 years ago

6 5 or more years ago

At a hospital emergency clinic?

- 1 Never
- 2 Less than 6 months ago
- 3 6 through 11 months ago
- 4 1 but less than 2 years ago
- 5 2 through 4 years ago
- 6 5 or more years ago

At another clinic? (work, school, etc.)

- 1 Never
- 2 Less than 6 months ago
- 3 6 through 11 months ago
- 4 1 but less than 2 years ago
- 5 2 through 4 years ago
- 6 5 or more years ago

Over the telephone?

- 1 Never
- 2 Less than 6 months ago
- 3 6 through 11 months ago
- 4 1 but less than 2 years ago
- 5 2 through 4 years ago
- 6 5 or more years ago

In another way? specify _____

- 1 Never
- 2 Less than 6 months ago
- 3 6 through 11 months ago
- 4 1 but less than 2 years ago
- 5 2 through 4 years ago
- 6 5 or more years ago

Q.HC21, NHANES I, 1971–1975

What was the MAIN reason for your last visit or talk with a dentist at either his office or at a clinic?

- 1 Adjustment or repair of dental plate
- 2 To have dental plate made
- 3 Toothache
- 4 Tooth pulled or other surgery
- 5 Trouble with gums
- 6 Regular checkup visit
- 7 For cleaning teeth
- 8 To have teeth filled
- 9 For a prescription
- 0 Some other reason Specify_____

Q.C2, HHANES, 1982–1984

About how long has it been since _____ last saw someone for dental care?

- 1 6 months ago or less

- 2 Over 6 mos. to 12 mos.
- 3 Over 12 mos. to 2 yrs.
- 4 Over 2 yrs. to 5 yrs.
- 5 More than 5 years
- 9 Don't know

Q.B15, HHANES, 1982–1984

About how long has it been since you last saw a dentist or dental hygienist for dental care?

- 1 6 months ago or less
- 2 Over 6 mos. to 12 mos.
- 3 Over 12 mos. to 2 yrs.
- 4 Over 2 yrs. to 5 yrs.
- 5 More than 5 years
- 6 Never
- 9 Don't know

Q.B16, HHANES, 1982–1984

What was the main reason for your last visit for dental care?

- 1 Regular checkup
- 2 For cleaning teeth
- 3 To have teeth filled
- 4 Trouble with gums
- 5 To have teeth pulled or other surgery
- 6 Tooth ache
- 7 Adjustment or repair of dental plate
- 8 To have a dental plate made
- 9 For a prescription
- 10 Some other reason
- 11 Specify _____

Q.HYF4S & HAQ3S, NHANES III, 1988–1994

How long ago was (_____ 's/your) last visit to a dentist or dental hygienist?

- _____ number
- 1 Days
 - 2 Weeks
 - 3 Months
 - 4 Years
 - 00 Never

Q.OHQ.030, NHANES, 1999–2004

About how long has it been since {you/SP} last visited a dentist? Include all types of dentists, such as, orthodontists, oral surgeons, and all other dental specialists, as well as dental hygienists.

- 1 6 months or less
- 2 More than 6 months, but not more than 1 year ago
- 3 More than 1 year, but not more than 2 years ago
- 4 More than 2 years, but not more than 3 years ago

- 5 More than 3 years, but not more than 5 years ago
- 6 More than 5 years ago
- 7 Never have been
- 77 Refused
- 99 Don't know

Q.OHQ.033, NHANES, 1999–2004

What was the main reason {you/SP} last visited the dentist?

- 1 Went in on own for check-up, examination or cleaning
- 2 Was called in by the dentist for check-up, examination or cleaning
- 3 Something was wrong, bothering or hurting {me/SP}
- 4 Went for treatment of a condition that dentist discovered at earlier check-up or examination
- 5 Other
- 7 Refused
- 9 Don't know

Q.N3b, NHIS, 1983; 1986; 1989

ABOUT how long has it been since - - LAST went to a dentist?

- 1 Past 2 weeks not reported
- 2 2-week dental visit
- 3 Over 2 weeks, less than 6 months
- 4 6 months, less than 1 year
- 5 1 year, less than 2 years
- 6 2 years, less than 5 years
- 7 5 years or more
- 0 Never

Q.N1a, b, c, NHIS, 1983; 1986; 1989

a. DURING THOSE 2 WEEKS, did anyone in the family go to a dentist? Include all types of dentists, such as orthodontists, oral surgeons, and all other dental specialists, as well as dental hygienists.

- 1 Yes
- 2 No

b. Who was this? _____

c. During those 2 weeks, did anyone else in the family go to a dentist?

- 1 Yes
- 2 No

Q.O5, NHIS, 1986

{Some people go to the dentist because they think they have a problem, other people go to the dentist for a check-up or to have their teeth cleaned. Sometimes when people go for a check-up the dentist discovers a problem that needs to be treated.}

What was the MAIN REASON - last went to the dentist?

- 1 Went in on own for check-up, examination or cleaning.

- 2 Was called in by the dentist for check-up, examination or cleaning.
- 3 Something was wrong, bothering or hurting -
- 4 Went for treatment of a condition that dentist discovered at earlier check-up or examination.
- 5 Other, Specify _____
- 6 Don't know

Q.B.AAU.135; B.CAU.160, NHIS, 1997; 1998

About how long has it been since {you,/S.C. name} last saw or talked to a dentist? Include all types of dentists, such as orthodontists, oral surgeons, and all other dental specialists, as well as dental hygienists.

- 1 6 months or less
- 2 More than 6 months, but not more than 1 year ago
- 3 More than 1 year, but not more than 3 years ago
- 4 More than 3 years
- 5 Never
- 7 Refused
- 9 Don't know

Q.B.AAU.135, B.CAU.160, NHIS, 1999; 2000; 2001; 2002; 2003; 2004; 2005; 2006; 2007; 2008

About how long has it been since {you/S.C. name} last saw or talked to a dentist? Include all types of dentists, such as orthodontists, oral surgeons, and all other dental specialists, as well as dental hygienists.

- 0 Never
- 1 6 months or less
- 2 More than 6 months, but not more than 1 year ago
- 3 More than 1 year, but not more than 2 years ago
- 4 More than 2 years, but not more than 5 years ago
- 5 More than 5 years
- 7 Refused
- 9 Don't know

Q.AAU.135.010, NHIS, 1999

What was the MAIN REASON that you last went to the dentist?

- 1 Went in on own for checkup, examination, or cleaning
- 2 Was called in by the dentist for checkup, examination, or cleaning
- 3 Something was wrong, bothering, or hurting you
- 4 Went for treatment of a condition that dentist discovered at earlier checkup or examination
- 5 Other
- 7 Refused
- 9 Don't know

Q.AAU.135.011, NHIS, 1999

Specify other reason for dental visit. This should be a reason that is not on the dental reason list.

Dental reason: _____

Q.CAU.160.010, NHIS, 1999

What was the MAIN REASON that {S.C. name} last went to the dentist?

- 1 Went in on own for checkup/exam
- 2 Called in by the dentist for checkup/exam/cleaning
- 3 Something wrong/hurting/bothering {S.C. name}
- 4 Treatment for condition dentist discovered earlier
- 5 Other
- 6 Check/adjust appliance/orthodontia
- 7 Refused
- 9 Don't know

Q.1, BRFSS, Module 9, 1995; Module 8, 1996; Module 5, 1997; Module 6, 1998

How long has it been since you last visited the dentist or a dental clinic?

- 1 Within the past year (1 to 12 months ago)
- 2 Within the past 2 years (1 to 2 years ago)
- 3 Within the past 5 years (2 to 5 years ago)
- 4 5 or more years ago
- 7 Don't know/Not sure
- 8 Never
- 9 Refused

Q.1, BRFSS, Section 6, 1999; Module 6, 2000; Module 6, 2001; Section 7, 2002; Module 2, 2003; Section 11, 2004; Module 2, 2005; Section 6, 2006, Section 7, 2008; Section 7, 2010

How long has it been since you last visited the dentist or a dental clinic for any reason? [Include visits to dental specialists, such as orthodontists.]

- 1 Within the past year (1 to 12 months ago)
- 2 Within the past 2 years (1 to 2 years ago)
- 3 Within the past 5 years (2 to 5 years ago)
- 4 5 or more years ago
- 7 Don't know/Not sure
- 8 Never
- 9 Refused

Q.2, BSS, 1999; 2003

About how long has it been since {you/your child} last visited a dentist? Include all types of dentists, such as orthodontists, oral surgeons, and all other dental specialists, as well as dental hygienists. [Source: NHIS 1997]

- 1 6 months or less
- 2 More than 6 months, but not more than 1 year ago
- 3 More than 1 year ago, but not more than 3 years ago
- 4 More than 3 years ago
- 5 Never have been
- 6 Don't know/don't remember

Q.2, BSS, 2008

About how long has it been since your child last visited a dentist? Include all types of dentists, such as, orthodontists, oral surgeons, and all other dental specialists, as well as dental hygienists. [Source: NHIS, 1997]

- 1 6 months or less

- 2 More than 6 months, but not more than 1 year ago
- 3 More than 1 year ago, but not more than 3 years ago
- 4 More than 3 years ago
- 5 Never have been
- 6 Don't know/don't remember

Q.3, BSS, 1999; 2003

What was the main reason that {you/your child} last visited a dentist? (Please check one) [Source: NHIS, 1986]

- 1 Went in on own for check-up, examination or cleaning.
- 2 Was called in by the dentist for check-up, examination or cleaning.
- 3 Something was wrong, bothering or hurting.
- 4 Went for treatment of a condition that dentist discovered at earlier check-up or examination
- 5 Other
- 6 Don't know/don't remember

Q.3, BSS, 2008

What was the main reason that your child last visited a dentist? (Please check one) [Source: NHIS, 1986]

- 1 Went in on own for check-up, examination or cleaning.
- 2 Was called in by the dentist for check-up, examination or cleaning.
- 3 Something was wrong, bothering or hurting.
- 4 Went for treatment of a condition that dentist discovered at earlier check-up or examination.
- 5 Other
- 6 Don't know/don't remember

Q.AAU.135, SLAITS/Health, 1997

About how long has it been since {fill you/name} last saw or talked to a dentist? {fill for children under 18 read: about how long has it been since someone last saw or talked to a dentist about (fill child's name)?} Include all types of dentists, such as orthodontists, oral surgeons, and all other dental specialists, as well as dental hygienists.

- 1 Less than 12 months ago
- 2 At least 1 year, but less than 2 years ago
- 3 At least 2 years, but less than 5 years ago
- 4 5 years or more
- 5 Never
- 6 Don't know
- 7 Refused

Q.S2Q56, SLAITS/National Survey of Children's Health, 2003

About how long has it been since [he/she] last saw a dentist? Include all types of dentists, such as orthodontists, oral surgeons, and all other dental specialists.

- 01 Never
- 02 6 months or less
- 03 More than 6 months, but not more than 1 year ago
- 04 More than 1 year, but not more than 2 years ago
- 05 More than 2 years, but not more than 5 years ago
- 06 More than 5 years ago

- 96 Don't know
- 97 Refused

Q.45k, NSAHC, 1986

Since (DATE ONE YEAR AGO), have you/ [has (:B) seen a dentist?

- 1 Yes
- 2 No

Q.45p, q, NSAHC, 1986

When did you/ (he/she) last see a dentist?

- 0 Never
- 1 January
- 2 February
- 3 March
- 4 April
- 5 May
- 6 June
- 7 July
- 8 August
- 9 September
- 10 October
- 11 November
- 12 December

Enter year (last 2 digits only)

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Q.Y2, PRAMS Phase 4 Standard, 2000–2003

How long has it been since you had your teeth cleaned by a dentist or dental hygienist?

_____ Months

Q.OR73, PRAMS Phase 4 State-developed, 2000–2003

How long has it been since you had your teeth cleaned by a dentist or a dental hygienist?

- Within the past year (less than 12 months)
- 1 to less than 2 years (12–23 months)
- 2 to less than 5 years (24–59 months)
- 5 or more years (60 or more months)
- Never

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