

CDC/NIDCR Dental, Oral and Craniofacial Data Resource Center
Survey Questions
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Self-Perceived Need for Dental Care

Q.8, NIDR Employed Adults, 1985–1986

Do you feel that you are currently in need of dental treatment?

- 1 Yes
- 2 No

If yes, how soon do you feel you need treatment?

- 1 Immediately
- 2 Within 6 months from now
- 3 More than 6 months from now
- 4 Not at all
- 5 Currently receiving treatment

Q.HC29a, b, NHANES I, 1971–1975

a. During the past 12 months, have you had a dental problem which you would have liked to see a dentist about but you didn't see the dentist?

- 1 Yes
- 2 No

b. Why didn't you see him?

- 1 Didn't have time
- 2 Would cost too much
- 3 Couldn't get an appointment
- 4 Would have to travel too far
- 5 Didn't have a way to get there
- 6 Didn't have anyone to care for children or other family members
- 7 Some other reason

Q.MH23, NHANES I, 1971–1975

Do you think you need a new plate or that the one(s) you have need(s) refitting?

- 1 No
- 2 Yes, one
- 3 Yes, both
- 9 Don't know

Q.MH26, NHANES I, 1971–1975

Do you think that your teeth need cleaning now by a dentist or dental hygienist?

- 1 Yes

- 2 No
- 9 Don't know

Q.MH28, NHANES I, 1971–1975

Do you think that you ought to go to a dentist now or very soon for a checkup?

- 1 Yes
- 2 No
- 9 Don't know

Q.MH29, NHANES I, 1971–1975

Do you now have an appointment to see a dentist?

- 1 Yes
- 2 No

Q.MH30, NHANES I, 1971–1975

Do you think you have any teeth that need filling?

- 1 Yes
- 2 No
- 9 Don't know

Q.MH31a, b, NHANES I, 1971–1975

a. Do you think you have any teeth that need to be pulled?

- 1 Yes
- 2 No
- 9 Don't know

b. How many?

- 1 Some
- 2 All

Q.4, NHANES III, 1988–1994

Do you think that you need (a) new denture(s) (plate) or that the one you have needs refitting?

Edentulous in Upper Jaw

- 1 Yes
- 2 No

Edentulous in Lower Jaw

- 1 Yes
- 2 No

Q.HYF3, HAQ2, NHANES III, 1988–1994

What type of dental care (does _____/do you) need now?

- 1 Teeth filled or replaced (for example, fillings, crowns, and/or bridges)
- 2 Teeth pulled
- 3 Gum treatment
- 4 Denture work
- 5 Relief of pain
- 6 Work to improve appearance (for example, braces or bonding)
- 7 Cleaning
- 8 Other, specify) _____
- 0 Nothing
- 99 Don't know

Q.N8e, NHIS, 1983

Does __ need new false teeth?

- 1 Yes
- 2 No

Q.N8f, NHIS, 1983

Do the ones __ has need refitting?

- 1 Yes
- 2 No

Q.OHQ.680, NHANES 2005–2006; 2007–2008

How often during the last year {have you/has SP} been self-conscious or embarrassed because of {your/his/her} teeth, mouth or dentures? Would you say . . .

- 1 Very often
- 3 Occasionally
- 4 Hardly ever, or
- 5 Never
- 7 Refused
- 9 Don't know

Q.AOH.010_00.000, NHIS, 2008

How would you describe the condition of your mouth [if LUPPRT = 2,R,D, fill: and teeth]? Would you say very good, good, fair or poor?

- 1 Very good
- 2 Good
- 3 Fair
- 4 Poor
- 7 Refused
- 9 Don't know

Q.COH.030_00.000, NHIS, 2008

DURING THE PAST 6 MONTHS, how often was [fill: she/he] self-conscious or embarrassed because of [fill:

her/his] teeth or mouth? Would you say often, sometimes, rarely, or never?

- 1 Often
- 2 Sometimes
- 3 Rarely
- 4 Never
- 7 Refused
- 9 Don't know

Q.S4Q10, SLAITS/National Survey of Children's Health, 2003

During the past 12 months/Since [CHILD]'s birth], was there any time when [CHILD] needed routine preventive dental care?

- 0 No
- 1 Yes
- 6 Don't know
- 7 Refused

Q.C4Q05_X031, SLAITS/National Survey of Children with Special Health Care Needs, 2005

During the past 12 months/since birth, was there any time when (S.C. needed) preventive dental care, such as check-ups and dental cleaning?

- 01 Yes
- 02 No
- 77 Don't know
- 99 Refused

Q.AC40A, MEPS HC, 2006; 2007; 2008

In the past 12 months, did anyone in the family or a dentist believe they needed any dental care, tests, or treatment?

- 1 Yes
- 2 No
- 7 Refused
- 8 Don't Know

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