

Survey of Parents of Children Under Three

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Top-line Results for Data Based on Parents and Children

N = 2017 parents of children under three years old

Including: ¹	1320	Mothers/Female Respondents
	697	Fathers/Male Respondents
	397	Non-Hispanic Blacks
	419	Hispanics

Field dates: July 19, 1995 - January 27, 1996

Margin of error: Plus or minus 3 percentage points for results labeled "Parents" or "Children"
Plus or minus 4 percentage points for results labeled "Mothers"

Hello, this is _____, calling from DataStat in Ann Arbor, Michigan. We are conducting an opinion survey about America's families. We're talking to thousands of families all across the country in confidential interviews.

¹ ♦ Results in this document are presented in three different ways: Some results, labeled "Parents," are presented on the basis of all respondents, male or female, who answered the question(s) from which the results are obtained. These results are weighted to be projectable to parents of children under three living in telephone households in the continental United States. Some results, labeled "Mothers," are based solely on the responses of female respondents. These results are projectable to mothers of children under three. Lastly, some results, labeled "Children," are based on all respondents, male and female, but are weighted such that the results are projectable to the population of children under three. Some results are presented in more than one form.

♦ High-density Black and Hispanic telephone exchanges were oversampled to create analyzable subgroups.

1. (1)² How many children are there living in your household who are under the age of 18 -- including newborns?

Children

31	One
38	Two
19	Three
7	Four
5	Five or More
0	Don't Know
<u>0</u>	Refused
100	

2. (2A) (Is this child/How many of them are) UNDER 3 years old?

Children

77	One
22	Two
1	Three or More
0	Don't Know
<u>0</u>	Refused
100	

- 3.(3) Thinking only about the children who are UNDER 3 years old, is the (youngest/oldest) of these children a boy or a girl?³

- 4.(4) Is the child under 3 years old a boy or a girl?

Children

51	Male
<u>49</u>	Female
100	

² This questionnaire is double numbered for easier comparison with the crosstabulation booklets.

Results for the screening questions, Q1 - Q9, are presented for the 2017 completed interviews only.

³ In households with more than one child in the correct age range, the CATI system alternated selection between the oldest and youngest child.

5. (5) What is [his/her] first name?

6. (6A) Does (CHILD)'s mother or step-mother live in this household?⁴

7. (6B) Does (CHILD)'s father or step-father live in this household?

8. (6C) Does (CHILD) have a female guardian that lives in this household?

9. (6D) Does (CHILD) have a male guardian that lives in this household?

10. (6E) For the rest of this interview, I would like to speak with (CHILD)'s (mother/father/female guardian/male guardian). [Is (he/she) available now/Is that you]?

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Let me mention that this survey has the support of the American Academy of Pediatrics. From your answers we hope to learn about what kind of guidance and help parents need, and what the health care system can do to support families with very young children. All of your answers will be completely confidential -- if at any time during the interview there's a question you'd rather not answer, just tell me and I'll go on to the next question.

11. (7) RESPONDENT'S SEX

Parents

44	Male
<u>56</u>	Female
100	

⁴ For a compilation of the results for questions six through nine, as well as other questions relating to household composition, see "Summary of Households Types" on page five.

12. (8) Are you (CHILD)'s biological [father/mother]?
13. (8A) Are you (CHILD)'s [step (father/mother), adoptive (father/mother), or foster (father/mother)]/[foster (father/mother), (grandfather/grandmother), (uncle/aunt) or other relative, or aren't you related to (CHILD)]?

Parents

97	Biological (mother/father)
1	Step (mother/father)
1	Adoptive (mother/father)
*	Foster (mother/father)
1	Grand (mother/father)
*	(Uncle/aunt) /Other relative
*	Other (Specify) (Volunteered)
0	Don't Know
*	Refused
<u>100</u>	

ASKED OF BIOLOGICAL PARENTS; n=1955

14. (9) Is (CHILD) your first-born child?

Parents

41	Yes
59	No
0	Don't Know
<u>0</u>	Refused
100	

15. (11) Are you currently married, living as married, widowed, divorced, separated, or have you never been married?

Parents

81	Married
5	Living as Married
*	Widowed
2	Divorced
2	Separated
10	Never Married
*	Don't Know
*	Refused
<u>100</u>	

ASKED OF THOSE MARRIED OR LIVING AS MARRIED; n=1423

16. (12) Is your [husband/wife/partner] (CHILD)'s biological [father/mother]?
17. (12A) Is your [husband/wife/partner] (CHILD)'s [step (father/mother), adoptive (father/mother), or foster (father/mother)]/[foster (father/mother), (grandfather/grandmother), (uncle/aunt) or other relative, or isn't (he/she) related to (CHILD)]?

Parents

97	Biological (mother/father)
1	Step (mother/father)
2	Adoptive (mother/father)
*	Foster (mother/father)
*	Grand (mother/father)
*	(Uncle/aunt)/other relative
*	Other (Specify) (Volunteered)
*	Don't Know
*	Refused
<u>100</u>	

SUMMARY OF HOUSEHOLD TYPES:⁵

	<u>Children</u>	<u>Parents</u>
<u>One Adult Household</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>9</u>
Female	17	8
Male	1	1
<u>Two Adult Household</u>	<u>82</u>	<u>91</u>
<u>Marital Status</u>		
Married	72	81
Two Parent, not Married	10	10
<u>Relationship to Child</u>		
Both Biological Parents	76	83
Step-Families/Other/Unclassified	6	8

⁵ Created from questions 6(6A), 7(6B), 8(6C), 9(6D), 12(8), 13(8A), Q16(12), and Q17(12A)

ASKED OF THOSE MARRIED OR LIVING AS MARRIED; n=1423

18. (13) Do you and your [husband/wife/partner] share the daily care for (CHILD) EQUALLY, do YOU usually provide more of [his/her] daily care, or does your [HUSBAND/ WIFE/PARTNER] usually provide more of [his/her] daily care?

Parents

34 Daily Care Shared Equally
37 Respondent Provides More
29 Spouse or Partner Provides More
* Don't Know
0 Refused
100

19. (14) Are you of Hispanic or Latino background, such as Mexican, Puerto Rican, Cuban or some other Spanish background?

Parents

13 Yes
87 No
* Don't Know
* Refused
*
100

20. (15) What is your race: are you white, African-American, Asian, or some other race?

Parents

77 White
11 African-American or Black
3 Asian
1 Other Race _____ (Specify)
* Mixed Race Not Including Black _____ (Specify) (Volunteered)
* Mixed Race Including Black _____ (Specify) (Volunteered)
7 Hispanic (Volunteered and Resisted Reclassification)
* Don't Know
1 Refused
100

ASKED OF BIOLOGICAL MOTHERS OR MEN WHOSE [WIVES/PARTNERS] ARE BIOLOGICAL MOTHERS OF FOCAL CHILD

21. (18) During the time [you/(CHILD)'s mother] [were/was] pregnant with (CHILD) did [you/she] visit a doctor or health care professional to check on [your/her] pregnancy?
22. (18A) In which month of [your/her] pregnancy did [you/she] first see a doctor or other health care professional?

Mothers

38	First Month
42	Second Month
12	Third Month
4	Fourth Month
2	Fifth Month
1	Sixth Month
*	Seventh Month
*	Eighth Month
*	Ninth Month
*	Right Before (Child)'s Birth
*	Never Saw a Doctor/Health Care Professional
1	Don't Know
*	Refused
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100	

Mean: 1.9

(n=1283)

ASKED OF BIOLOGICAL MOTHERS OR MEN WHOSE [WIVES/PARTNERS] ARE BIOLOGICAL MOTHERS OF FOCAL CHILD

23. (19) When [you/(CHILD)'s mother] became pregnant with (CHILD), did you want (her) to become pregnant at THAT time, would you have preferred [to/that she] become pregnant at a LATER time, or did you NEVER want (her) to become pregnant?

Mothers

66	Wanted to Be Pregnant at That Time
22	Wanted at a Later Time
6	Never Wanted to Be Pregnant
2	Had Not Wanted to Become Pregnant but Was Not Trying to Avoid it Either (Volunteered)
2	Had Not Wanted to Become Pregnant but Was Happy When it Happened (Volunteered)
1	Other _____ (Specify)
-	Not Asked (Respondent is Male who is not Child's Biological Father)
*	Don't Know
<u>1</u>	Refused
100	

(n=1283)

ASKED OF BIOLOGICAL MOTHERS OR MEN WHOSE [WIVES/PARTNERS] ARE BIOLOGICAL MOTHERS OF FOCAL CHILD; n=1877

24. (20) Have you, personally, EVER attended any childbirth classes?

Parents

71	Yes/Lamaze/Bradley
29	No
0	Don't Know
<u>*</u>	Refused
100	

ASKED OF BIOLOGICAL MOTHERS OR MEN WHOSE [WIVES/PARTNERS] ARE BIOLOGICAL MOTHERS OF FOCAL CHILD; n=1877

25. (22) Was (CHILD) born in a hospital, a birthing center, or somewhere else?

Children

97	Hospital
2	Birthing Center
1	Somewhere Else
*	Don't Know
*	Refused
<u>100</u>	

ASKED OF BIOLOGICAL MOTHERS OR MEN WHOSE [WIVES/PARTNERS] ARE BIOLOGICAL MOTHERS OF FOCAL CHILD; n=1877

26. (23) Was (CHILD) delivered by Caesarean, or c-section, or was it a normal delivery?

Children

23	Caesarean/C-section
77	Normal/Vaginal Delivery
*	Don't Know
*	Refused
<u>100</u>	

27.(24) What was (CHILD)'s date of birth?

28(24.1) How old is (CHILD)?

Children

18	0 to 5 Months
14	6 to 11 Months
17	12 to 17 Months
18	18 to 23 Months
17	24 to 29 Months
16	30 to 35 Months
*	Don't Know
*	Refused
<u>100</u>	

Mean: 17.4 Months

ASKED OF BIOLOGICAL MOTHERS OR MEN WHOSE [WIVES/PARTNERS] ARE BIOLOGICAL MOTHERS OF FOCAL CHILD; n=1877

29. (25) Was (CHILD) either born prematurely or did [he/she] weigh under 5 and a half pounds?

Children

10	Yes, Premature and/or Weighed under 5 and a Half Pounds
90	No, Neither
*	Don't Know
*	Refused
100	

ASKED OF RESPONDENTS WHOSE CHILD WAS BORN IN HOSPITAL OR BIRTHING CENTER

30. (29) Overall, how satisfied [were/was] [you/(CHILD)'s mother] with the care [you/she] got in the [hospital/birthing center], very satisfied, somewhat, not too or not satisfied at all?

Mothers

77	Very Satisfied
16	Somewhat Satisfied
4	Not Too Satisfied
2	Not Satisfied at All
1	Don't Know
0	Refused
100	

(n=1274)

ASKED OF RESPONDENTS WHOSE CHILD WAS BORN IN HOSPITAL OR BIRTHING CENTER

31. (27) While [you/your wife/your partner] [were/was] IN the [hospital/birthing center] for (CHILD)'s birth did [you/she] get any information about caring for a newborn?

Mothers

88	Yes
12	No
*	Don't Know
*	Refused
100	

(n=1274)

ASKED OF RESPONDENTS WHOSE CHILD WAS BORN IN HOSPITAL OR BIRTHING CENTER

32. (28) [While [you/your wife/your partner] [were/was] IN the [hospital/birthing center] for (CHILD)'s birth, did [you/she] get information about/(How about,)]

	Got <u>Information</u>	Did not Get Information on this Topic/Did not Get Newborn Care <u>Information in Hospital</u>	Don't <u>Know</u>	<u>Ref.</u>	
a. how to bathe your baby? Mothers	72	26	2	*	=100
b. how to breast-feed or bottle feed your baby? Mothers	81	18	1	*	=100
c. how to calm your baby? Mothers	54	42	4	*	=100
d. sleeping positions? Mothers	71	27	2	*	=100

(n=1274)

ASKED OF RESPONDENTS WHOSE CHILD WAS BORN IN HOSPITAL OR BIRTHING CENTER

33. (30) In general did the doctors or nurses encourage or discourage [you/(CHILD)'s mother] from breast-feeding?

Mothers

72	Encouraged Breast-feeding
2	Discouraged Breast-feeding
3	Some Encouraged, Some Discouraged (Volunteered)
21	Neither or Never Discussed this (Volunteered)
2	Don't Know
*	Refused
100	

(n=1274)

ASKED OF BIOLOGICAL MOTHERS OR MEN WHOSE [WIVES/PARTNERS] ARE BIOLOGICAL MOTHERS OF FOCAL CHILD

34. (31) Was (CHILD) breast-fed for more than a month, less than a month, or not at all?

Mothers

53	More than a Month
13	Less than a Month
33	Not Breast-fed
1	Don't Know
*	Refused
<u>100</u>	

(n=1283)

ASKED OF RESPONDENTS WHOSE CHILD WAS BORN IN HOSPITAL OR BIRTHING CENTER

35. (34) How many days did [you/(CHILD)'s mother] stay at the [hospital/birthing center] after (CHILD)'s birth?

Mothers

1	None
39	One Day
32	Two Days
15	Three Days
6	Four Days
2	Five Days
1	Six Days
2	Seven Days
1	Eight or More Days
1	Don't Know
*	Refused
<u>100</u>	

Mean: 2.2 Days

(n=1274)

ASKED OF RESPONDENTS WHOSE CHILD WAS BORN IN HOSPITAL OR BIRTHING CENTER;
n=1861

36. (33) How many days did (CHILD) stay at the [hospital/birthing center] after [his/her] birth?

Children

2	None
36	One Day
30	Two Days
15	Three Days
7	Four Days
3	Five Days
1	Six Days
2	Seven Days
2	Eight to 14 Days
2	15 or More Days
*	Don't Know
*	Refused
<u>100</u>	

Mean: 2.9 Days

ASKED OF RESPONDENTS WHOSE CHILD WAS BORN IN HOSPITAL OR BIRTHING CENTER;
n=1861

37. (35) Do you feel (CHILD) spent too much time in the [hospital/birthing center], too little time, or about the right amount of time?

Parents

2	Too Much Time
18	Too Little Time
80	Right Amount
*	Don't Know
*	Refused
<u>100</u>	

ASKED OF RESPONDENTS WHOSE CHILD WAS BORN IN HOSPITAL OR BIRTHING CENTER;
n=1861

38. (36) Did (CHILD) experience any medical problems in the two weeks after [he/she] was discharged from the [hospital/birthing center] that required [him/her] to see a doctor?
39. (36A) Did [he/she] need to be [re]admitted to the hospital as a result of this problem?

Children

17	Yes, Experienced Medical Problems
3	Readmitted to Hospital
14	Not Readmitted to Hospital
82	No
1	Don't Know
<u>0</u>	Refused
100	

ASKED OF BIOLOGICAL MOTHERS OR MEN WHOSE [WIVES/PARTNERS] ARE BIOLOGICAL MOTHERS OF FOCAL CHILD

40. (37) Did [you/(CHILD)'s mother] [feel/seem] depressed in the first several weeks after (CHILD) was born?

Mothers

33	Yes
64	No
3	Some of the Time (Volunteered)
*	Don't Know
<u>*</u>	Refused
100	

(n=1283)

41. (38) How confident did you feel about caring for a baby when you FIRST brought (CHILD) home?
Would you say you felt very confident, somewhat, only a little, or not confident at all?

Parents

67	Very Confident
25	Somewhat Confident
6	Only a Little Confident
1	Not Confident at All
1	Don't Know
<u>0</u>	Refused
100	

42. (47) How confident do YOU feel about caring for (CHILD) NOW -- very confident, somewhat, only a little, or not confident at all?

Parents

93	Very Confident
6	Somewhat Confident
1	Only a Little Confident
*	Not Confident at All
*	Don't Know
<u>0</u>	Refused
100	

43. (40) When (CHILD) has needed a shot or a check-up, which of the following places, has [he/she] USUALLY been taken for medical care -- a community health center, an emergency room, an HMO center, a private doctor's or nurse practitioner's office, an urgent care or walk-in clinic, or isn't there any one place (CHILD) has USUALLY been taken?

Children

11 Community Health Center
* Emergency Room
7 HMO Center
68 Private Doctor's or Nurse Practitioner's Office or Group Practice Office
6 Urgent Care or Walk-in Clinic
1 No One Place Child Usually Taken
1 [He/she] Really Hasn't Been Taken Anyplace at All (Volunteered)
1 Other -- Hospital (Volunteered)
1 Other -- County Health Department/County Health Official (Volunteered)
1 Other -- Military Hospital/Military Base Provider (Volunteered)
1 Other -- Pediatrician/Pediatrician's Office (Volunteered)
1 Other -- Clinic/Medical Center (Unclassified/Public) (Volunteered)
* Other -- Private Clinic/Group (Volunteered)
* Other (Volunteered)
1 Don't Know
* Refused

100

44. (41) Does (CHILD) USUALLY see the same doctor or nurse at the (INSERT ANSWER FROM Q43(40))?

Parents

80 Yes/Same Doctor/Same Nurse
11 No
8 Not Asked -- ER/No One Place/No Place/Other/Don't Know/Refused to Q43(40)
1 Don't Know
* Refused

100

ASKED OF RESPONDENTS WITH FOCAL CHILDREN WHO USUALLY SEE THE SAME DOCTOR OR NURSE; n=1597

45. (42) Overall, how would you rate (CHILD)'s regular doctor or nurse on the job he or she has done [INSERT] -- excellent, good, only fair or poor?

	<u>Excellent</u>	<u>Good</u>	<u>Only Fair</u>	<u>Poor</u>	<u>Don't Know</u>	<u>Ref.</u>	
a. in providing (CHILD) with good health care Parents	69	28	3	*	*	*	=100
b. giving you guidance on how to care for your child Parents	56	37	5	1	1	*	=100
c. helping you to understand how your child is growing and developing Parents	58	35	5	1	1	0	=100
d. being easy to reach by phone Parents	54	32	10	2	2	*	=100
e. listening to you carefully and answering your questions Parents	66	29	4	1	*	0	=100

46. (45) In general, how would you describe (CHILD)'s health -- is it excellent, good, only fair, or poor?

Children

76	Excellent
22	Good
2	Only Fair
*	Poor
*	Don't Know
<u>0</u>	Refused
100	

47. (49) Please tell me which ONE PERSON you are most comfortable talking with about how to raise your child[ren]? (PROBE: "Is there ONE other person you might talk with?") (DO NOT READ LIST) (RECORD UP TO TWO RESPONSES)

Parents

- 46 Your Mother or Mother-in-law
- 14 Relative Other than Mother or Mother-in-law
- 52 Husband/Wife/Partner
- 2 Child's Other Parent (If Not in the Household)
- 15 Doctor, Nurse, or Other Health Professional
- 1 Minister, Priest, Rabbi
- * Child Care Worker/Day Care Worker/Babysitter
- * Teacher
- 1 Social Worker, Psychologist or Other Counselor
- * Community Organization
- 10 Friend or Neighbor
- 1 Parents of Child's Friends
- * Other _____ (Specify)
- 3 Don't Talk to Anyone about this (Volunteered)
- 2 Don't Know
- * Refused

*Total exceeds 100% due to multiple responses

48. (49A) Do you personally EVER use books, magazines, newspapers, television, or videos to get information about how to raise your child[ren]?

Parents

- 74 Yes/Sometimes
- 26 No
- 0 Don't Know
- 0 Refused
- 100

49. (50) For each of the following topics, please tell me if you could use more information, or if you have enough information. [The first topic is.../(The next topic is...)]

	<u>Could Use More Information</u>	<u>Have Enough</u>	<u>Don't Know</u>	<u>Refused</u>	
a. how to discipline your child? Parents	42	57	1	*	=100
b. how to help and encourage your child to learn? Parents	54	46	*	0	=100
c. how to deal with children's sleeping patterns? Parents	30	69	1	*	=100
d. ASKED OF RESPONDENTS WITH FOCAL CHILDREN LESS THAN 3 MONTHS OLD; n=183 how to care for a newborn? Parents	19	80	1	0	=100
e. what to do when your child cries? Parents	23	77	*	*	=100
f. how and when to toilet train your child? Parents	41	58	1	0	=100

50.(50A) Have you personally ever discussed this with a health professional like a doctor or nurse?

	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Don't Know</u>	<u>Refused</u>	
a. how to discipline your child? Parents	24	76	*	*	=100
b. how to help and encourage your child to learn? Parents	24	76	*	0	=100
c. how to deal with children's sleeping patterns? Parents	41	59	*	*	=100
d. ASKED OF RESPONDENTS WITH FOCAL CHILDREN LESS THAN 3 MONTHS OLD; n=183 how to care for a newborn? Parents	62	37	1	0	=100
e. what to do when your child cries? Parents	35	65	*	0	=100
f. how and when to toilet train your child? Parents	29	71	*	0	=100

51. (52) Next, I will read a list of services that health care providers might offer. For each, please tell me if you [or your [husband/wife/partner]] EVER received this service from a health professional, like a doctor or nurse. [First,/(How about,)]

	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Don't Know</u>	<u>Refused</u>	
a. a packet of information about how to care for a newborn? Parents	89	10	1	*	=100
b. a visit by a nurse or other health care professional to the home of new parents to help them learn how to care for a newborn? Parents	20	80	*	*	=100
c. a special telephone line staffed by nurses and doctors 24 hours a day? Parents	32	67	1	0	=100
d. a service that reminds you, by telephone or mail, to bring your child in for a check-up or immunization? Parents	42	58	*	*	=100
e. a booklet to keep track of your child's health information? Parents	66	33	1	0	=100

52.(52A) How useful (would this be (for new parents)/has this been)?

	<u>Very Useful</u>	<u>Somewhat Useful</u>	<u>Not Useful at All</u>	<u>Don't Know</u>	<u>Ref.</u>	
a. a packet of information about how to care for a newborn?						
Parents	56	40	3	1	*	=100
Received Service	54	42	3	1	0	=100
Did not Receive Service/DK/Ref.	73	18	2	6	1	=100
b. a visit by a nurse or other health care professional to the home of new parents to help them learn how to care for a newborn?						
Parents	59	30	9	2	*	=100
Received Service	67	29	4	*	0	=100
Did not Receive Service/DK/Ref.	57	30	10	3	*	=100
c. a special telephone line staffed by nurses and doctors 24 hours a day?						
Parents	78	17	4	1	*	=100
Received Service	87	11	1	1	0	=100
Did not Receive Service/DK/Ref.	73	20	5	2	*	=100
d. a service that reminds you, by telephone or mail, to bring your child in for a check-up or immunization?						
Parents	68	21	10	1	0	=100
Received Service	85	13	1	1	0	=100
Did not Receive Service/DK/Ref.	56	26	16	2	0	=100
e. a booklet to keep track of your child's health information?						
Parents	78	17	4	1	0	=100
Received Service	83	14	2	1	0	=100
Did not Receive Service/DK/Ref.	67	24	8	1	0	=100

53. (54) If at any time you could have gotten all of these services and this kind of information from your health care provider for a monthly fee of ten dollars, would you have been willing to pay this or not?

Parents

62	Yes, Would Have Paid for These Services/Information
35	No, Would Not Have Paid
3	Don't Know
<u>0</u>	Refused
100	

54.(55) Have you ever attended a class or a discussion about raising children or parenting?

Parents

35	Yes
65	No
*	Don't Know
<u>0</u>	Refused
100	

55.(57) Do you feel you spend about the RIGHT AMOUNT of time, would you like to spend a lot MORE, a LITTLE more, a little LESS, or a LOT less time with (CHILD)?

Parents

37	Right Amount of Time
38	A Lot More Time
19	Little More Time
4	Little Less Time
*	Lot Less Time
2	Don't Know
<u>*</u>	Refused
100	

56.(58) Are you employed for pay full-time, part-time, or not employed?

Parents

56	Full-time
12	Part-time
30	Not Employed
1	Employed but on Leave (Volunteered)
1	Other _____ (Specify)
*	Don't Know
<u>0</u>	Refused
100	

ASKED OF THOSE MARRIED OR LIVING AS MARRIED; n=1423

57. (59) Is your [husband/wife/partner] employed for pay full-time, part-time, or not employed?

Parents

67	Full-time
11	Part-time
21	Not Employed
1	Employed but on Leave (Volunteered)
*	Other _____ (Specify)
*	Don't Know
<u>*</u>	Refused
100	

58.(66) Now think about the time you spent with (CHILD) over the PAST WEEK. For each of the following activities, please tell me how many times, if any, you personally did this with [him/her] in the past week. [First,/(How about,)] (READ LIST FIRST, REREAD AS NECESSARY)

	<u>Not At All</u>	<u>Once or Twice a Week</u>	<u>Several Times a Week</u>	<u>About Once a Day</u>	<u>More than Once a Day</u>	<u>DK</u>	<u>Ref.</u>	
a. read a book or looked at a picture book with (CHILD)? Parents	16	23	21	20	19	1	*	=100
b. play with (CHILD)? Parents	1	1	14	15	69	*	0	=100
c. sing or play music for (CHILD)? Parents	8	13	20	23	36	*	0	=100
d. hug and cuddle with (CHILD)? Parents	*	1	10	6	83	*	0	=100

59.(67) (Is (CHILD)'s/How about [his/her]) (INSERT) ([is it/are they] USUALLY the same everyday or [does it/do they] change from day to day?)

	<u>Usually Same Every Day</u>	<u>Changes from Day to Day</u>	<u>Does Not Nap (59b Only)</u>	<u>DK</u>	<u>Ref.</u>	
a. bedtime routine? Children	77	22	-	1	0	=100
b. nap-time? Children	63	33	3	1	*	=100
c. mealtimes? Children	81	19	-	*	0	=100

60. (69) In a TYPICAL day, how many times would you say you feel frustrated or aggravated with (CHILD)'s behavior or that [he/she] gets on your nerves? (READ LIST IF NECESSARY)

Parents

31 Never (Not at All)
 42 Once
 22 Two to Three Times
 3 Four to Five Times
 1 Six or More Times
 1 Don't Know
 * Refused
 100

61. (70) I am going to read a list of methods of discipline that parents might use with children (CHILD)'s age. For each, please tell me how often, if at all, you use that method with (CHILD)? [First/(How about,)]

	<u>Often</u>	<u>Sometimes</u>	<u>Rarely</u>	<u>Never</u>	<u>DK</u>	<u>Ref.</u>	
a. raising your voice or yelling? Parents	7	32	30	30	1	*	=100
b. ASKED OF RESPONDENTS WITH FOCAL CHILDREN 18 MONTHS AND OLDER; n=1024 giving a 'time out', that is making the child take a break from whatever activity they're involved in? Parents	25	43	14	16	2	*	=100
c. ASKED OF RESPONDENTS WITH FOCAL CHILDREN 18 MONTHS AND OLDER; n=1024 taking away a toy or treat? Parents	15	37	23	24	1	*	=100
d. spanking? Parents	1	12	26	59	1	1	=100

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Question 61. (70) continued . . .

	<u>Often</u>	<u>Sometimes</u>	<u>Rarely</u>	<u>Never</u>	<u>DK</u>	<u>Ref.</u>	
e. hitting, slapping, or shaking? Parents	*	2	5	92	*	1	=100
f. ASKED OF RESONDENTS WITH FOCAL CHILDREN 18 MONTHS AND OLDER; n=1024 explaining to (CHILD) why [his/her] behavior is not appropriate? Parents	66	24	4	5	1	*	=100

62. (72) When (CHILD) cries, do you USUALLY pick [him/her] up to comfort [him/her] immediately or do you usually wait to see if [he/she] will quiet down [himself/herself]?

63. (73) How long do you USUALLY wait (when you do wait)?

Parents

40	Pick Up Immediately/Attend to Immediately (volunteered)
58	Wait/Depends (NET)
47	Wait to See (SUBNET)
11	Depends (volunteered) (SUBNET)
17	One Minute
13	Two Minutes
5	Three Minutes
1	Four Minutes
11	Five Minutes
4	Six to 10 Minutes
1	More than 10 Minutes
4	Depends (Volunteered)
2	Don't Know
2	Don't Know
*	Refused
100	

64.(74) Now I have some questions about you. In general, do you want to raise (CHILD) in the same way that you were raised, or do you want to raise [him/her] differently?

Parents

46	Same Way I Was Raised
49	Differently
5	Same in Some Ways Different in Others/ Somewhere in Between (Volunteered)
*	Don't Know
*	Refused
<u>100</u>	

65.(78) In general, how would you describe your mental health? Would you say it is excellent, good, only fair or poor?

Parents

65	Excellent
32	Good
3	Only Fair
*	Poor
*	Don't Know
<u>0</u>	Refused
100	

66. (75) And, how would you describe your own physical health -- in general, is it excellent, good, only fair, or poor?

Parents

48	Excellent
45	Good
6	Only Fair
1	Poor
*	Don't Know
<u>0</u>	Refused
100	

67. (77) In general, how well do you feel you are coping with the demands of parenthood -- very well, about average, not too well, or not well at all?

Parents

56 Very Well
 43 About Average
 * Not Too Well
 * Not Well at All
 1 Don't Know
 * Refused
 100

68. (80) Next I am going to read a list of ways you might have felt or behaved recently. How often has this statement applied to you? [First/(How about,)] (INSERT)(How often has this statement applied to you during the past week? (READ LIST FIRST, REREAD AS NECESSARY)

	<u>Never</u>	<u>Rarely</u>	<u>Some of the Time</u>	<u>Most of the Time</u>	<u>DK</u>	<u>Ref.</u>	
a. I felt depressed. Parents	51	31	16	2	*	*	=100
b. I enjoyed life. Parents	1	4	19	75	1	0	=100
c. I had crying spells. Parents	78	16	5	1	*	0	=100
d. I felt sad. Parents	41	38	19	2	*	0	=100
e. I felt that people disliked me. Parents	67	23	9	1	*	*	=100

69. (81) Since you brought (CHILD) home would you say that things in your life, overall, have gotten better, gotten worse, or stayed about the same?

Parents

68 Gotten Better
 2 Gotten Worse
 28 Stayed about the Same
 1 Some Ways Better/some Ways Worse (Volunteered)
 * Other _____ (Specify)
 1 Don't Know
 * Refused
 100

70.(83) When you were growing up, do you feel you were ever ...?

	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No/Not/ Never</u>	<u>DK</u>	<u>Ref.</u>	
a. verbally or emotionally abused, or not? Parents	24	75	*	1	=100
b. physically abused, or not? Parents	11	89	*	*	=100
c. sexually abused, or not? Parents	5	95	*	*	=100

71. (84) Do any of (CHILD)'s grandparents live within about one hour's driving distance of your home?

Parents

78 Yes⁶
 22 No
 * Don't Know
 * Refused
 100

⁶ Includes 1% of cases in which the respondent is a grandparent of the focal child.

72. (86) If you had some kind of a problem or emergency and needed help, how many relatives or friends do you have living nearby who you could count on for help -- would you say many, a few, or none?

Parents

70	Many
27	A Few
3	None
*	Don't Know
*	Refused
<u>100</u>	

73. (93A) Is (CHILD) covered by (Medicaid/Medi-cal/ACCESS(AHCCCS)/Health QUEST/RIte Care/TennCare/Medicaid or the Basic Health Plan)?

74. (93) Is (CHILD) covered by health insurance through any employer, some other source, or is [he/she] not covered at all

Children

94	Insured
28	Government Provided
59	Employer Provided
7	Other Source
6	Uninsured
*	Don't Know
<u>0</u>	Refused
100	

ASKED OF RESPONDENTS WITH FOCAL CHILDREN COVERED BY INSURANCE OTHER THAN A GOVERNMENT PLAN; n= 1182

75. (93B) Does this insurance include a deductible, that is, an amount that you must pay before the insurance begins to pay for any health care benefits?

Children

57	Yes
41	No
2	Don't Know
*	Refused
<u>100</u>	

ASKED OF RESPONDENTS WITH FOCAL CHILDREN WITH HEALTH INSURANCE; n= 1864

76. (94) Is this health insurance plan a Health Maintenance Organization, sometimes called an HMO, a Preferred Provider Organization, sometimes called a PPO, or neither of these?⁷

Children

29	Yes, HMO
24	Yes, PPO
40	No, Neither
7	Don't Know
*	Refused
100	

77. (95A) Are YOU covered by (Medicaid/Medi-cal/ACCESS(AHCCCS)/Health QUEST/Rlte Care/TennCare/Medicaid or the Basic Health Plan)?

78. (95) Are you covered by health insurance through any employer, some other source, or are you not covered at all?

Parents

87	Insured
16	Government Provided
64	Employer Provided
7	Other Source
12	Uninsured
1	Don't Know
*	Refused
100	

⁷The following explanations were provided for interviewers to read if necessary:

Health maintenance organizations, or HMO's, charge a monthly fee that covers nearly all health and medical care, instead of billing you for each service or visit to the doctor separately. In an HMO, you get health care only from a group of doctors who work with the organization and only use a hospital when they refer you.

Preferred Provider Organizations, or PPO's, give you a list of doctors who they prefer you to use. If you use these doctors, you must pay only a small amount, but if you visit a doctor who is NOT on the list, you must pay all or most of what that doctor charges.

ASKED OF RESPONDENTS WITH FOCAL CHILDREN WITH HEALTH INSURANCE; n=1864

79. (98) [Assuming that you have fully paid the deductible amount, please/Please] tell me whether each of the following expenses is paid in FULL, in PART, or not at all by (CHILD)'s health plan. [First/(How about,)] (IWER: IF NECESSARY, CLARIFY:"A co-payment means covered in part.")

	<u>Paid in Full</u>	<u>Paid in Part</u>	<u>Not Covered</u>	<u>DK</u>	<u>Ref</u>	
a. visits to the doctor's office for routine well-child visits, that is when (CHILD) is NOT sick? Children	54	35	9	2	*	=100
b. visits to the doctor's office when (CHILD) is sick? Children	51	45	2	2	*	=100
c. the shots to immunize (CHILD) against certain childhood diseases? Children	60	26	11	3	*	=100

ASKED OF BIOLOGICAL MOTHERS OR MEN WHOSE [WIVES/PARTNERS] ARE BIOLOGICAL MOTHERS OF FOCAL CHILD

80.(99) Please tell me whether each of the following expenses was paid in FULL, in PART, or not at all by ANY health plan? [Was/Were] [INSERT] paid in full, in part, or not at all by ANY health plan?

	<u>Paid in Full</u>	<u>Paid in Part</u>	<u>Not Covered</u>	<u>Did Not Have Insurance (Vol.)</u>	<u>DK</u>	<u>Ref</u>	
a. your (wife's/partner's) prenatal care during pregnancy Mothers	62	34	3	*	1	*	=100
b. the medical expenses for (CHILD)'s birth Mothers	62	34	3	*	1	*	=100

(n=1283)

81. (100) I'd like to ask how much trouble you have had paying for particular kinds of expenses for (CHILD). [First./(How about,)] (Have you had a lot of trouble, some trouble or no trouble at all paying for this?)

	<u>A Lot Of Trouble</u>	<u>Some Trouble</u>	<u>No Trouble at All</u>	<u>This Was Covered/ Haven't Had to Pay (Vol)</u>	<u>DK</u>	<u>Ref.</u>
a. ASKED OF BIOLOGICAL MOTHERS OR MEN WHOSE [WIVES/PARTNERS] ARE BIOLOGICAL MOTHERS OF FOCAL CHILD; n=1877 your (wife's/partner's) prenatal care during pregnancy?						
Parents	2	12	30	56	*	* =100
b. ASKED OF BIOLOGICAL MOTHERS OR MEN WHOSE [WIVES/PARTNERS] ARE BIOLOGICAL MOTHERS OF FOCAL CHILD; n=1877 the medical expenses for (CHILD)'s birth?						
Parents	3	14	26	57	*	* =100
c. (CHILD)'s health and medical expenses?						
Children	3	15	81	1	*	* =100
d. supplies like formula, food, diapers, clothes, and shoes?						
Children	3	21	76	-	*	* =100
e. child care?						
Children	4	13	78	3	2	* =100

82.(101) At any time since (CHILD)'s birth, has your family received assistance from ANY government assistance program including AFDC, WIC (WICK), the Food Stamp Program, (Medicaid/Medi-cal/ACCESS(AHCCCS)/Health QUEST/Rlte Care/TennCare/Medicaid or the Basic Health Plan), or any other STATE or LOCAL public assistance program?

Children

47	Yes
53	No
*	Don't Know
*	
<u>100</u>	

These last questions are for statistical purposes only.

83. (87) How old are you? (Age at Time of Focal Child's Birth Listed)

Parents

24	Less than 25
29	25-29
28	30-34
18	35+
0	Don't Know
<u>1</u>	Refused
100	

Mean: 29.1

84. (90) What is the last grade or class that you COMPLETED in school?
(DO NOT READ LIST)

Parents

14	Did Not Graduate from High School
31	High School Graduate or Grade 12
2	GED Certificate
3	Business, Technical or Vocational School after High School
24	Some College, but No Four-year Degree
17	College Graduate, with a B.A., B.S. or Other Four-year Degree
9	Post-graduate or Professional Schooling after College
*	Don't Know
*	Refused
<u>100</u>	

85. (92) Which of the following BEST describes the place where you live now, a large city, a suburb near a large city, a small city or town, or a rural area?

Parents

20	a Large City
27	a Suburb near a Large City
37	a Small City or Town
15	a Rural Area
1	Don't Know
<u>0</u>	Refused
100	

86. (102) Last year, that is in 1994/1995, what was your total family income from all sources, BEFORE taxes? Just stop me when I get to the right category.

Children Parents

12	10	Less than \$10,000
13	12	10 to under 20
15	15	20 to under 30
13	13	30 to under 40
19	21	40 to under 60
14	15	60 to under 100
6	6	\$100,000 or More
4	4	Don't Know
<u>4</u>	<u>4</u>	Refused
100	100	

87. (103) In the future, we will be looking for households with young children, to do other surveys, including for Sesame Street. Would you be willing to participate in these later surveys?

Parents

86	Yes
<u>14</u>	No
100	

NAME RECORDED IF Q87 = YES; OTHERS SKIP TO FINAL NOTE

Q88. May I have your first name, nickname or initials, so that we know who to ask for when we call back?

FINAL NOTE: [Thank you very much for your time on this survey, and we will be calling you back some time in the future./That is the last question I have. I really appreciate the time you took to answer our questions.]

