

Frequently Asked Questions about the National Household Education Survey



Why was I chosen for this survey?

Your address was randomly selected to be part of this survey from a list of all the addresses in the United States. We do not know who lives at each address. However, every address had a chance to be selected. Now that your address was chosen, your response is vital to the success of the study!

No children live here. Should I give this survey to a neighbor or family member who has children?

No. Now that your address has been chosen, information about your household's experiences will represent hundreds of households like yours. Together with other survey participants, your experiences will represent those of everyone in the United States. We cannot replace you. **You should not give the survey to another household even if you do not have children.**

Who is doing the survey?

This survey is conducted by the Federal Government. The U.S. Census Bureau is doing the data collection for this study by the National Center for Education Statistics, within the U.S. Department of Education. This survey has been approved by the Office of Management and Budget, the office that reviews all federally sponsored surveys.

Why should I take part in the survey?

The survey results will be used by policymakers and researchers to improve programs for children. This survey is the best way to learn about children's care, early learning activities, and schooling from your perspective. While the Census Bureau collects similar information, this survey is unique and asks for up-to-date information not available from any other sources, including other government agencies.

How will the responses I provide be used? Will my privacy be protected?

Your responses will be combined with those of others to produce statistical summaries and reports. Your address and household members' names will not be included on anything the study releases or shares. Your responses may be used only for statistical purposes and may not be disclosed, or used, in identifiable form for any other purpose except as required by law.

How much time will it take to respond to this survey?

If you have no children, the survey will take about 3 minutes. If you do have children, the survey will take about 30 minutes or less.

If there are no children or anyone currently in school in my household, should I respond?

Yes, you should respond to this survey. We need responses from households without children to get survey results that represent everyone in the U.S. population. **If there are no children in your household, you will only need to answer one question!**

Who should I contact if I have questions or comments about this survey?

If you have any questions about this survey or the status of your individual survey submission, contact the Census Bureau toll-free at **1-888-840-8353**.

Si usted prefiere la versión en español, vea al dorso de la carta.