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**Survey Questions**  
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## Assessment of General Oral Health Status

### Q.MH24, NHANES I, 1971–1975

How would you describe the condition of your TEETH?

- 1 Excellent
- 2 Good
- 3 Fair
- 4 Poor

### Q.MH25, NHANES I, 1971–1975

How would you describe the condition of your GUMS?

- 1 Excellent
- 2 Good
- 3 Fair
- 4 Poor

### Q.B13, HHANES, 1982–1984

How would you describe the condition of your teeth: excellent, very good, good, fair or poor?

- 1 Excellent
- 2 Very good
- 3 Good
- 4 Fair
- 5 Poor
- 6 Has no teeth

### Q.B14, HHANES, 1982–1984

How would you describe the condition of your gums: excellent, very good, good, fair or poor?

- 1 Excellent
- 2 Very good
- 3 Good
- 4 Fair
- 5 Poor

### Q.HYF2 & HAQ1, NHANES III, 1988–1994

How would you describe the condition of (\_\_\_\_'s/your) natural teeth: excellent, very good, good, fair, or poor?

- 1 Excellent
- 2 Very good

- 3 Good
- 4 Fair
- 5 Poor
- 6 Has no natural teeth
- 9 Don't know

**Q.OHQ.011, NHANES, 2003–2004; 2005–2006; 2007–2008; 2009–2010**

Now I have some questions about the condition of your teeth and gums.  
How would you describe the condition of {your/SP's} teeth? Would you say . . .

- 11 Excellent
- 12 Very good
- 13 Good
- 14 Fair
- 15 Poor
- 7 Refused
- 9 Don't know

**Q.OHQ.010, NHANES, 1999–2002**

Now I have some questions about {your/SP's} mouth and teeth. How would you describe the condition of {your/SP's} mouth and teeth? Would you say...  
(Include false teeth and dentures.)

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

**Q.S2Q54, SLAITS/National Survey of Children's Health, 2003–2004; 2007–2008**

The next questions are about dental health. How would you describe the condition of [CHILD]'s teeth: excellent, very good, good, fair, poor?

- 01 Excellent
- 02 Very good
- 03 Good
- 04 Fair
- 05 Poor
- 06 Has no natural teeth
- 96 Don't know
- 97 Refused

**Q.OHQ.630, NHANES 2003–2004; 2005–2006; 2007–2008**

How often during the last year {have you/has SP} felt that life in general was less satisfying because of problems with {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.R6h, NHIS, 1989; 1998**

(In the past 6 months) Did you worry about the health of your teeth and gums because of the pain?

- 1 Yes
- 2 No

**Q.Z5, NHIS, 1990**

What is ONE common sign of gum disease?

- 1 Swollen, red, inflamed, sore or bleeding gums
- 2 Chronic bad breath
- 3 Loose teeth
- 4 Receding gums
- 8 Other - specify \_\_\_\_\_
- 9 Don't know

**Q.HA40, MEPS NHC, 1996**

Please tell me which of the following items describe the condition of {SP}'s dental health on or around {ref date}. Did {she/he} have:?

- Debris in mouth
- Dentures or removable bridge
- Some/all natural teeth lost
- Inflamed, swollen or bleeding gums; oral abscesses, ulcers, or rashes
- None checked
- Don't know

**Q.14h, NNHS-3, 1995; 1997**

How would you describe the condition of ...'s teeth and gums; excellent, very good, good, fair or poor?

- 1 Excellent
- 2 Very good
- 3 Good
- 4 Fair
- 5 Poor
- 6 Don't know

If resident DOES NOT have any teeth then ask the following:

How would you describe the condition of ...'s gums or soft tissue; excellent, very good, good, fair or poor?

- 1 Excellent
- 2 Very good
- 3 Good
- 4 Fair
- 5 Poor

6 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.AOH.020\_00.000, NHIS, 2008**

Would you say the condition of your mouth [Fill: and teeth] is better than, the same as or not as good as other people your age?

- 1 Better
- 2 Same
- 3 Not as good
- 7 Refused
- 9 Don't know

### **Q.COH.010\_00.000, NHIS, 2008**

How would you describe the condition of [fill: S.C. name]'s mouth 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.020\_00.000, NHIS, 2008**

Would you say the condition of [fill: S.C. name]'s mouth and teeth is better than, the same as or not as good as other people [fill; her or his] age?

- 1 Better
- 2 Same
- 3 Not as good
- 7 Refused
- 8 Don't know

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