

Self-Perceived Need For Dental Care

Q.8, NIDR Employed Adults, 1985-86

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, 1971-75

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, 1971-75

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, 1971-75

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

- 1 Yes
- 2 No
- 9 DK

Q.MH28, NHANES I, 1971-75

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

- 1 Yes
- 2 No
- 9 DK

Q.MH29, NHANES I, 1971-75

Do you now have an appointment to see a dentist?

- 1 Yes
- 2 No

Q.MH30, NHANES I, 1971-75

Do you think you have any teeth that need filling?

- 1 Yes
- 2 No
- 9 DK

Q.MH31a, b, NHANES I, 1971-75

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

- 1 Yes
- 2 No
- 9 DK

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 DK

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