

**Table A-6a. Age-adjusted percentages (with standard errors) of hearing trouble, vision trouble, and absence of teeth among adults aged 18 and over, by selected characteristics: United States, 2018**

Selected characteristic	Hearing trouble <sup>1</sup>	Vision trouble <sup>1</sup>	Absence of all natural teeth <sup>1</sup>
Total	15.2 (0.25)	12.4 (0.27)	6.9 (0.19)
Sex			
Male	18.5 (0.39)	11.0 (0.37)	6.8 (0.28)
Female	12.3 (0.30)	13.6 (0.38)	7.0 (0.25)
Age (years)			
18–44	6.1 (0.28)	8.5 (0.34)	2.9 (0.21)
45–64	17.8 (0.50)	15.9 (0.51)	6.7 (0.33)
65–74	31.6 (0.85)	16.9 (0.67)	15.4 (0.66)
75 and over	47.2 (1.04)	19.5 (0.81)	24.8 (0.95)
Race			
One race <sup>2</sup>	15.2 (0.25)	12.4 (0.27)	6.9 (0.19)
White	16.6 (0.30)	12.0 (0.30)	6.6 (0.21)
Black or African American	8.5 (0.53)	15.4 (0.81)	9.1 (0.55)
American Indian or Alaska Native	19.5 (2.42)	22.5 (3.17)	12.2 (2.08)
Asian	9.6 (0.95)	9.0 (0.98)	6.2 (0.83)
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	*	*	*
Two or more races <sup>3</sup>	15.8 (1.89)	12.8 (1.59)	8.7 (1.28)
Black or African American, white	*	*	12.6 (2.32)
American Indian or Alaska Native, white	19.1 (2.70)	14.8 (2.41)	10.7 (2.04)
Hispanic or Latino origin <sup>4</sup> and race			
Hispanic or Latino	11.2 (0.62)	13.6 (0.74)	7.7 (0.56)
Mexican or Mexican American	12.7 (0.90)	13.6 (0.96)	7.0 (0.73)
Not Hispanic or Latino	15.9 (0.27)	12.1 (0.28)	6.9 (0.21)
White, single race	17.6 (0.34)	11.7 (0.31)	6.6 (0.23)
Black or African American, single race	8.7 (0.55)	15.4 (0.83)	9.2 (0.57)
Education <sup>5</sup>			
Less than a high school diploma	16.6 (0.75)	17.3 (0.97)	15.3 (0.77)
High school diploma or GED <sup>6</sup>	19.5 (0.64)	14.7 (0.66)	9.8 (0.45)
Some college	18.4 (0.52)	14.3 (0.53)	6.8 (0.36)
Bachelor's degree or higher	14.1 (0.41)	9.5 (0.37)	3.6 (0.27)
Current employment status <sup>7</sup>			
Employed	13.6 (0.42)	9.9 (0.35)	4.8 (0.28)
Full-time	13.5 (0.60)	9.9 (0.55)	5.2 (0.46)
Part-time	14.1 (0.79)	10.8 (0.74)	4.6 (0.48)
Not employed but has worked previously	18.4 (0.56)	17.9 (0.66)	9.3 (0.40)
Not employed and has never worked	12.0 (1.23)	15.4 (1.57)	10.6 (0.98)

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Selected characteristic	Hearing trouble <sup>1</sup>	Vision trouble <sup>1</sup>	Absence of all natural teeth <sup>1</sup>
Family income <sup>8</sup>			
Less than \$35,000	17.0 (0.52)	18.3 (0.58)	11.2 (0.41)
\$35,000 or more	15.1 (0.30)	10.5 (0.31)	5.4 (0.23)
\$35,000–\$49,999	17.7 (0.82)	13.6 (0.77)	7.5 (0.61)
\$50,000–\$74,999	16.4 (0.62)	13.5 (0.77)	7.1 (0.47)
\$75,000–\$99,999	14.9 (0.65)	10.3 (0.69)	4.8 (0.48)
\$100,000 or more	13.8 (0.50)	8.2 (0.43)	3.6 (0.32)
Poverty status <sup>9</sup>			
Poor	16.3 (0.76)	20.2 (0.86)	13.0 (0.71)
Near poor	17.0 (0.66)	17.2 (0.76)	10.6 (0.50)
Not poor	15.0 (0.29)	10.4 (0.29)	5.4 (0.21)
Health insurance coverage <sup>10</sup>			
Under 65:			
Private	9.3 (0.30)	9.1 (0.32)	3.2 (0.21)
Medicaid	13.6 (0.76)	18.8 (1.05)	9.0 (0.66)
Other coverage	18.0 (1.43)	16.6 (1.73)	6.0 (0.88)
Uninsured	9.4 (0.72)	13.2 (0.86)	4.9 (0.56)
65 and over:			
Private	39.4 (1.01)	15.7 (0.77)	16.1 (0.87)
Medicare and Medicaid	36.1 (2.36)	25.9 (2.03)	40.3 (2.44)
Medicare Advantage	37.5 (1.32)	18.0 (1.05)	16.2 (1.02)
Medicare only	35.4 (1.71)	17.4 (1.34)	23.1 (1.61)
Other coverage	49.3 (2.18)	24.0 (1.99)	25.4 (1.85)
Uninsured	*	*	*
Marital status			
Married	15.2 (0.34)	10.6 (0.34)	5.8 (0.26)
Widowed	18.1 (2.63)	14.0 (2.06)	12.8 (2.24)
Divorced or separated	17.0 (0.78)	18.1 (1.01)	9.9 (0.57)
Never married	13.1 (0.71)	14.4 (0.71)	7.1 (0.64)
Living with a partner	18.8 (1.27)	13.8 (1.24)	10.0 (1.13)
Place of residence <sup>11</sup>			
Large MSA	13.2 (0.32)	11.3 (0.35)	5.8 (0.22)
Small MSA	16.9 (0.49)	13.3 (0.47)	8.0 (0.41)
Not in MSA	20.0 (0.79)	15.0 (1.01)	9.1 (0.57)
Region			
Northeast	13.4 (0.60)	9.9 (0.58)	5.7 (0.46)
Midwest	17.5 (0.54)	11.5 (0.53)	6.6 (0.39)
South	14.4 (0.40)	13.3 (0.46)	7.8 (0.33)
West	15.8 (0.53)	13.5 (0.57)	6.8 (0.40)

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Selected characteristic	Hearing trouble <sup>1</sup>	Vision trouble <sup>1</sup>	Absence of all natural teeth <sup>1</sup>
Hispanic or Latino origin <sup>4</sup> , race, and sex			
Hispanic or Latino, male	13.6 (0.97)	12.5 (1.10)	7.4 (0.85)
Hispanic or Latina, female	9.2 (0.73)	14.7 (1.01)	8.0 (0.68)
Not Hispanic or Latino:			
White, single race, male	21.8 (0.52)	10.1 (0.42)	6.8 (0.36)
White, single race, female	13.9 (0.40)	13.2 (0.44)	6.4 (0.30)
Black or African American, single race, male	8.1 (0.85)	14.1 (1.36)	8.3 (0.79)
Black or African American, single race, female	9.3 (0.76)	16.4 (1.09)	9.8 (0.80)

\* Estimate does not meet NCHS standards of reliability.

<sup>1</sup> Respondents were asked, "These next questions are about your hearing without the use of hearing aids or other listening devices. Is your hearing excellent, good, [do you have] a little trouble hearing, moderate trouble, a lot of trouble, or are you deaf?" For this table, "a little trouble hearing," "moderate trouble," "a lot of trouble," and "deaf" are combined into one category. Estimates of hearing trouble for 2018 may not be comparable with estimates from 2006 and earlier. Regarding their vision, respondents were asked, "Do you have any trouble seeing, even when wearing glasses or contact lenses?" Respondents were also asked, "Are you blind or unable to see at all?" For this table, "any trouble seeing" and "blind" are combined into one category. Respondents were asked, "Have you lost all of your upper and lower natural (permanent) teeth?" A person may be represented in more than one column.

<sup>2</sup> Refers to persons who indicated only a single race group, including those of Hispanic or Latino origin.

<sup>3</sup> Refers to persons who indicated more than one race group, including those of Hispanic or Latino origin. Only two combinations of multiple race groups are shown due to small sample sizes for other combinations.

<sup>4</sup> Refers to persons who are of Hispanic or Latino origin and may be of any race or combination of races. "Not Hispanic or Latino" refers to persons who are not of Hispanic or Latino origin, regardless of race.

<sup>5</sup> Shown only for adults aged 25 and over. Estimates are age adjusted to the projected 2000 U.S. population as the standard population using four age groups: 25-44, 45-64, 65-74, and 75 and over.

<sup>6</sup> GED is General Educational Development high school equivalency diploma.

<sup>7</sup> "Full-time" employment is 35 or more hours per week. "Part-time" employment is 34 or fewer hours per week.

<sup>8</sup> Includes persons who reported a dollar amount or who would not provide a dollar amount but provided an income interval.

<sup>9</sup> "Poor" persons are defined as having income below the poverty threshold. "Near poor" persons have incomes of 100% to less than 200% of the poverty threshold. "Not poor" persons have incomes that are 200% of the poverty threshold or greater.

<sup>10</sup> Based on a hierarchy of mutually exclusive categories. Adults with more than one type of health insurance were assigned to the first appropriate category in the hierarchy. "Uninsured" includes adults who had no coverage as well as those who had only Indian Health Service coverage or had only a private plan that paid for one type of service such as accidents or dental care.

<sup>11</sup> MSA is metropolitan statistical area. Large MSAs have a population size of 1 million or more; small MSAs have a population size of less than 1 million. "Not in MSA" consists of persons not living in a metropolitan statistical area.

NOTES: Estimates are based on household interviews of a sample of the civilian noninstitutionalized population. This table is based on data from the Sample Adult file and was weighted using the Sample Adult weight. Unknowns for the columns were not included in the denominators when calculating percentages. Percentages may not add to totals due to rounding. "Total" includes other races not shown separately and persons with unknown education, family income, poverty status, and health insurance characteristics. Unless otherwise specified, estimates are age-adjusted using the projected 2000 U.S. population as the standard population and using four age groups: 18-44, 45-64, 65-74, and 75 and over. Estimates for age groups are not age-adjusted. For more information on the data source, methods, and definitions used for this table, refer to Technical Notes for Summary Health Statistics Tables: National Health Interview Survey (available from <http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/nhis/SHS/tables.htm>). Suggested citation: Villarreal MA, Blackwell DL, Jen A. Tables of Summary Health Statistics for U.S. Adults: 2018 National Health Interview Survey. National Center for Health Statistics. 2019. Available from: <http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/nhis/SHS/tables.htm>.

SOURCE: NCHS, National Health Interview Survey, 2018.

**Table A-6b. Frequencies (in thousands) of hearing trouble, vision trouble, and absence of teeth among adults aged 18 and over, by selected characteristics: United States, 2018**

Selected characteristic	All adults aged 18 and over	Hearing trouble <sup>1</sup>	Vision trouble <sup>1</sup>	Absence of all natural teeth <sup>1</sup>
Total	249,456	41,266	32,226	18,721
Sex				
Male	120,442	23,501	13,734	8,595
Female	129,014	17,766	18,492	10,126
Age (years)				
18–44	115,008	7,014	9,785	3,300
45–64	83,038	14,774	13,223	5,576
65–74	30,809	9,747	5,200	4,738
75 and over	20,601	9,730	4,018	5,107
Race				
One race <sup>2</sup>	243,677	40,470	31,558	18,354
White	193,454	36,054	24,697	14,390
Black or African American	30,813	2,463	4,754	2,663
American Indian or Alaska Native	2,810	497	622	291
Asian	15,960	1,401	1,394	934
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	640	*	*	*
Two or more races <sup>3</sup>	5,779	796	668	367
Black or African American, white	1,567	*	*	*
American Indian or Alaska Native, white	1,879	401	310	227
Hispanic or Latino origin <sup>4</sup> and race				
Hispanic or Latino	40,749	3,755	5,321	2,496
Mexican or Mexican American	24,415	2,345	3,160	1,320
Not Hispanic or Latino	208,706	37,511	26,905	16,224
White, single race	157,289	32,623	20,087	12,173
Black or African American, single race	29,089	2,422	4,524	2,567
Education <sup>5</sup>				
Less than a high school diploma	24,710	5,082	4,693	4,804
High school diploma or GED <sup>6</sup>	52,455	11,507	8,123	5,910
Some college	62,770	12,201	9,237	4,490
Bachelor's degree or higher	78,964	11,028	7,544	2,730
Current employment status <sup>7</sup>				
Employed	158,301	17,424	15,169	6,034
Full-time	129,152	13,657	11,976	4,819
Part-time	27,087	3,437	2,883	1,156
Not employed but has worked previously	78,269	22,148	15,162	11,196
Not employed and has never worked	12,669	1,610	1,891	1,474

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Selected characteristic	All adults aged 18 and over	Hearing trouble <sup>1</sup>	Vision trouble <sup>1</sup>	Absence of all natural teeth <sup>1</sup>
Family income <sup>8</sup>				
Less than \$35,000	58,573	11,479	11,274	7,919
\$35,000 or more	166,985	25,758	17,873	8,857
\$35,000–\$49,999	24,817	4,812	3,424	2,077
\$50,000–\$74,999	38,139	6,895	5,261	2,986
\$75,000–\$99,999	30,794	4,678	3,259	1,417
\$100,000 or more	73,236	9,373	5,929	2,376
Poverty status <sup>9</sup>				
Poor	24,028	3,695	4,723	2,923
Near poor	40,315	7,405	7,075	4,830
Not poor	173,576	28,285	18,862	9,840
Health insurance coverage <sup>10</sup>				
Under 65:				
Private	136,568	13,843	13,008	4,627
Medicaid	24,908	3,324	4,628	2,192
Other coverage	9,857	2,216	1,976	796
Uninsured	25,525	2,338	3,287	1,211
65 and over:				
Private	21,274	8,073	3,318	3,193
Medicare and Medicaid	3,529	1,244	935	1,408
Medicare Advantage	13,113	4,810	2,338	2,069
Medicare only	7,945	2,716	1,349	1,772
Other coverage	5,181	2,492	1,220	1,307
Uninsured	274	*	*	*
Marital status				
Married	130,518	23,354	15,273	8,485
Widowed	14,263	5,186	3,005	3,503
Divorced or separated	27,100	5,649	5,298	3,350
Never married	58,300	4,467	6,433	2,215
Living with a partner	18,856	2,560	2,156	1,071
Place of residence <sup>11</sup>				
Large MSA	142,041	19,698	16,588	8,509
Small MSA	75,044	13,877	10,366	6,546
Not in MSA	32,370	7,691	5,271	3,667
Region				
Northeast	43,262	6,663	4,575	2,824
Midwest	54,818	10,341	6,594	3,946
South	92,043	14,533	12,893	7,765
West	59,333	9,730	8,163	4,186

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Selected characteristic	All adults aged 18 and over	Hearing trouble <sup>1</sup>	Vision trouble <sup>1</sup>	Absence of all natural teeth <sup>1</sup>
Hispanic or Latino origin <sup>4</sup> , race, and sex				
Hispanic or Latino, male	20,279	2,169	2,389	1,086
Hispanic or Latina, female	20,470	1,586	2,933	1,410
Not Hispanic or Latino:				
White, single race, male	76,416	19,117	8,436	5,902
White, single race, female	80,872	13,506	11,651	6,271
Black or African American, single race, male	13,250	955	1,880	1,000
Black or African American, single race, female	15,840	1,467	2,644	1,567

\* Corresponding crude percentage for the frequency does not meet NCHS standards of reliability, so the frequency is not shown.

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<sup>5</sup> Shown only for adults aged 25 and over.

<sup>6</sup> GED is General Educational Development high school equivalency diploma.

<sup>7</sup> "Full-time" employment is 35 or more hours per week. "Part-time" employment is 34 or fewer hours per week.

<sup>8</sup> Includes persons in families that reported either a dollar amount or would not provide a dollar amount but provided an income interval.

<sup>9</sup> "Poor" persons live in families defined as below the poverty threshold. "Near poor" persons live in families with incomes of 100% to less than 200% of the poverty threshold. "Not poor" persons live in families with incomes that are 200% of the poverty threshold or greater.

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**Table A-6c. Crude percentages (with standard errors) of hearing trouble, vision trouble, and absence of teeth among adults aged 18 and over, by selected characteristics: United States, 2018**

Selected characteristic	Hearing trouble <sup>1</sup>	Vision trouble <sup>1</sup>	Absence of all natural teeth <sup>1</sup>
Total	16.5 (0.29)	12.9 (0.27)	7.5 (0.21)
Sex			
Male	19.5 (0.45)	11.4 (0.38)	7.1 (0.29)
Female	13.8 (0.34)	14.3 (0.38)	7.9 (0.28)
Age (years)			
18–44	6.1 (0.28)	8.5 (0.34)	2.9 (0.21)
45–64	17.8 (0.50)	15.9 (0.51)	6.7 (0.33)
65–74	31.6 (0.85)	16.9 (0.67)	15.4 (0.66)
75 and over	47.2 (1.04)	19.5 (0.81)	24.8 (0.95)
Race			
One race <sup>2</sup>	16.6 (0.29)	13.0 (0.28)	7.5 (0.21)
White	18.6 (0.34)	12.8 (0.30)	7.4 (0.24)
Black or African American	8.0 (0.53)	15.4 (0.85)	8.6 (0.57)
American Indian or Alaska Native	17.7 (2.82)	22.1 (3.36)	10.4 (2.01)
Asian	8.8 (0.98)	8.7 (0.99)	5.9 (0.84)
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	*	*	*
Two or more races <sup>3</sup>	13.8 (1.77)	11.6 (1.50)	6.3 (1.05)
Black or African American, white	*	*	*
American Indian or Alaska Native, white	21.4 (3.21)	16.5 (2.77)	12.1 (2.53)
Hispanic or Latino origin <sup>4</sup> and race			
Hispanic or Latino	9.2 (0.57)	13.1 (0.75)	6.1 (0.50)
Mexican or Mexican American	9.6 (0.80)	13.0 (0.98)	5.4 (0.59)
Not Hispanic or Latino	18.0 (0.32)	12.9 (0.29)	7.8 (0.23)
White, single race	20.7 (0.38)	12.8 (0.32)	7.7 (0.26)
Black or African American, single race	8.3 (0.56)	15.6 (0.88)	8.8 (0.60)
Education <sup>5</sup>			
Less than a high school diploma	20.6 (0.90)	19.0 (0.93)	19.5 (0.92)
High school diploma or GED <sup>6</sup>	21.9 (0.69)	15.5 (0.65)	11.3 (0.51)
Some college	19.4 (0.57)	14.7 (0.53)	7.2 (0.37)
Bachelor's degree or higher	14.0 (0.44)	9.6 (0.38)	3.5 (0.26)
Current employment status <sup>7</sup>			
Employed	11.0 (0.30)	9.6 (0.30)	3.8 (0.20)
Full-time	10.6 (0.33)	9.3 (0.32)	3.7 (0.22)
Part-time	12.7 (0.76)	10.6 (0.74)	4.3 (0.45)
Not employed but has worked previously	28.3 (0.58)	19.4 (0.52)	14.3 (0.42)
Not employed and has never worked	12.7 (1.19)	14.9 (1.44)	11.6 (1.06)

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Selected characteristic	Hearing trouble <sup>1</sup>	Vision trouble <sup>1</sup>	Absence of all natural teeth <sup>1</sup>
Family income <sup>8</sup>			
Less than \$35,000	19.6 (0.58)	19.3 (0.57)	13.5 (0.50)
\$35,000 or more	15.4 (0.34)	10.7 (0.31)	5.3 (0.23)
\$35,000–\$49,999	19.4 (0.89)	13.8 (0.74)	8.4 (0.65)
\$50,000–\$74,999	18.1 (0.72)	13.8 (0.76)	7.8 (0.51)
\$75,000–\$99,999	15.2 (0.71)	10.6 (0.69)	4.6 (0.45)
\$100,000 or more	12.8 (0.49)	8.1 (0.41)	3.2 (0.29)
Poverty status <sup>9</sup>			
Poor	15.4 (0.80)	19.7 (0.90)	12.2 (0.74)
Near poor	18.4 (0.71)	17.6 (0.75)	12.0 (0.58)
Not poor	16.3 (0.34)	10.9 (0.29)	5.7 (0.22)
Health insurance coverage <sup>10</sup>			
Under 65:			
Private	10.1 (0.32)	9.5 (0.33)	3.4 (0.21)
Medicaid	13.3 (0.77)	18.6 (1.07)	8.8 (0.66)
Other coverage	22.5 (1.56)	20.0 (1.66)	8.1 (0.98)
Uninsured	9.2 (0.72)	12.9 (0.87)	4.7 (0.54)
65 and over:			
Private	38.0 (1.01)	15.6 (0.78)	15.0 (0.83)
Medicare and Medicaid	35.3 (2.38)	26.5 (2.04)	39.9 (2.41)
Medicare Advantage	36.7 (1.34)	17.8 (1.04)	15.8 (1.00)
Medicare only	34.2 (1.67)	17.0 (1.31)	22.3 (1.54)
Other coverage	48.1 (2.25)	23.5 (1.98)	25.2 (1.84)
Uninsured	*	*	*
Marital status			
Married	17.9 (0.41)	11.7 (0.36)	6.5 (0.27)
Widowed	36.4 (1.17)	21.1 (1.00)	24.6 (1.07)
Divorced or separated	20.8 (0.74)	19.6 (0.76)	12.4 (0.63)
Never married	7.7 (0.44)	11.0 (0.56)	3.8 (0.33)
Living with a partner	13.6 (0.98)	11.4 (0.90)	5.7 (0.61)
Place of residence <sup>11</sup>			
Large MSA	13.9 (0.36)	11.7 (0.35)	6.0 (0.23)
Small MSA	18.5 (0.57)	13.8 (0.48)	8.7 (0.45)
Not in MSA	23.8 (0.94)	16.3 (0.98)	11.3 (0.70)
Region			
Northeast	15.4 (0.65)	10.6 (0.59)	6.5 (0.53)
Midwest	18.9 (0.62)	12.0 (0.53)	7.2 (0.44)
South	15.8 (0.48)	14.0 (0.47)	8.4 (0.35)
West	16.4 (0.60)	13.8 (0.58)	7.1 (0.43)



**Table A-6c. Crude percentages (with standard errors) of hearing trouble, vision trouble, and absence of teeth among adults aged 18 and over, by selected characteristics: United States, 2018**

Selected characteristic	Hearing trouble <sup>1</sup>	Vision trouble <sup>1</sup>	Absence of all natural teeth <sup>1</sup>
Hispanic or Latino origin <sup>4</sup> , race, and sex			
Hispanic or Latino, male	10.7 (0.92)	11.8 (1.11)	5.4 (0.73)
Hispanic or Latina, female	7.7 (0.67)	14.3 (1.03)	6.9 (0.62)
Not Hispanic or Latino:			
White, single race, male	25.0 (0.60)	11.0 (0.43)	7.7 (0.38)
White, single race, female	16.7 (0.46)	14.4 (0.44)	7.8 (0.35)
Black or African American, single race, male	7.2 (0.83)	14.2 (1.41)	7.5 (0.77)
Black or African American, single race, female	9.3 (0.81)	16.7 (1.15)	9.9 (0.87)

\* Estimate does not meet NCHS standards of reliability.

<sup>1</sup> Respondents were asked, "These next questions are about your hearing without the use of hearing aids or other listening devices. Is your hearing excellent, good, [do you have] a little trouble hearing, moderate trouble, a lot of trouble, or are you deaf?" For this table, "a little trouble hearing," "moderate trouble," "a lot of trouble," and "deaf" are combined into one category. Estimates of hearing trouble for 2018 may not be comparable with estimates from 2006 and earlier. Regarding their vision, respondents were asked, "Do you have any trouble seeing, even when wearing glasses or contact lenses?" Respondents were also asked, "Are you blind or unable to see at all?" For this table, "any trouble seeing" and "blind" are combined into one category. Respondents were asked, "Have you lost all of your upper and lower natural (permanent) teeth?" A person may be represented in more than one column.

<sup>2</sup> Refers to persons who indicated only a single race group, including those of Hispanic or Latino origin.

<sup>3</sup> Refers to persons who indicated more than one race group, including those of Hispanic or Latino origin. Only two combinations of multiple race groups are shown due to small sample sizes for other combinations.

<sup>4</sup> Refers to persons who are of Hispanic or Latino origin and may be of any race or combination of races. "Not Hispanic or Latino" refers to persons who are not of Hispanic or Latino origin, regardless of race.

<sup>5</sup> Shown only for adults aged 25 and over.

<sup>6</sup> GED is General Educational Development high school equivalency diploma.

<sup>7</sup> "Full-time" employment is 35 or more hours per week. "Part-time" employment is 34 or fewer hours per week.

<sup>8</sup> Includes persons who reported a dollar amount or who would not provide a dollar amount but provided an income interval.

<sup>9</sup> "Poor" persons are defined as having income below the poverty threshold. "Near poor" persons have incomes of 100% to less than 200% of the poverty threshold. "Not poor" persons have incomes that are 200% of the poverty threshold or greater.

<sup>10</sup> Based on a hierarchy of mutually exclusive categories. Adults with more than one type of health insurance were assigned to the first appropriate category in the hierarchy. "Uninsured" includes adults who had no coverage as well as those who had only Indian Health Service coverage or had only a private plan that paid for one type of service such as accidents or dental care.

<sup>11</sup> MSA is metropolitan statistical area. Large MSAs have a population size of 1 million or more; small MSAs have a population size of less than 1 million. "Not in MSA" consists of persons not living in a metropolitan statistical area.

NOTES: Estimates are based on household interviews of a sample of the civilian noninstitutionalized population. This table is based on data from the Sample Adult file and was weighted using the Sample Adult weight. Unknowns for the columns were not included in the denominators when calculating percentages. Percentages may not add to totals due to rounding. "Total" includes other races not shown separately and persons with unknown education, family income, poverty status, and health insurance characteristics. For more information on the data source, methods, and definitions used for this table, refer to Technical Notes for Summary Health Statistics Tables: National Health Interview Survey (available from <http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/nhis/SHS/tables.htm>).

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SOURCE: NCHS, National Health Interview Survey, 2018.