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Total	100.0	4.1 (0.26)	95.9 (0.26)	100.0	67.7 (0.56)	17.1 (0.45)	5.4 (0.27)	2.0 (0.17)	7.8 (0.32)
Sex									
Male	100.0	3.9 (0.31)	96.1 (0.31)	100.0	65.8 (0.81)	18.6 (0.70)	5.7 (0.38)	1.8 (0.22)	8.1 (0.44)
Female	100.0	4.4 (0.41)	95.6 (0.41)	100.0	69.8 (0.80)	15.6 (0.63)	5.1 (0.38)	2.2 (0.27)	7.4 (0.44)
Age									
2-4 years	100.0	1.9 (0.45)	98.1 (0.45)	100.0	50.2 (1.48)	12.9 (1.02)	3.4 (0.56)	*0.6 (0.18)	32.9 (1.40)
5-11 years	100.0	3.4 (0.35)	96.6 (0.35)	100.0	73.3 (0.89)	17.4 (0.73)	4.7 (0.44)	1.7 (0.25)	2.8 (0.35)
12-17 years	100.0	6.1 (0.48)	93.9 (0.48)	100.0	69.6 (0.91)	18.8 (0.75)	7.2 (0.50)	2.9 (0.33)	1.5 (0.23)
Race									
One race ²	100.0	4.1 (0.27)	95.9 (0.27)	100.0	67.6 (0.57)	17.3 (0.46)	5.4 (0.28)	1.9 (0.17)	7.8 (0.33)
White	100.0	3.9 (0.30)	96.1 (0.30)	100.0	68.8 (0.65)	16.1 (0.52)	5.3 (0.31)	1.9 (0.21)	7.9 (0.37)
Black or African American	100.0	5.4 (0.71)	94.6 (0.71)	100.0	62.8 (1.58)	22.5 (1.29)	6.6 (0.78)	1.7 (0.40)	6.3 (0.76)
American Indian or Alaska Native	100.0	*5.5 (2.48)	94.5 (2.48)	100.0	63.0 (5.26)	18.7 (4.95)	10.1 (2.77)	*	*6.5 (2.37)
Asian	100.0	3.9 (1.08)	96.1 (1.08)	100.0	63.9 (2.37)	18.5 (1.94)	3.7 (0.70)	2.4 (0.58)	11.5 (1.60)
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	100.0	*	96.5 (2.72)	100.0	64.8 (10.32)	*13.1 (6.37)	*	*	**18.0 (8.13)
Two or more races ³	100.0	4.6 (1.21)	95.4 (1.21)	100.0	71.1 (2.45)	13.8 (2.14)	5.4 (1.25)	*3.2 (1.14)	6.6 (0.93)
Black or African American and white	100.0	*3.2 (1.31)	96.8 (1.31)	100.0	70.1 (3.64)	16.2 (2.86)	*4.0 (1.67)	*2.9 (1.40)	6.9 (1.36)
American Indian or Alaska Native and white	100.0	*	96.9 (1.60)	100.0	61.1 (6.42)	21.5 (6.16)	*9.2 (2.88)	*	*

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Hispanic or Latino origin ⁴ and race									
Hispanic or Latino	100.0	6.1 (0.56)	93.9 (0.56)	100.0	65.1 (1.06)	18.8 (0.91)	6.6 (0.54)	2.5 (0.32)	6.9 (0.49)
Mexican or Mexican American	100.0	6.2 (0.71)	93.8 (0.71)	100.0	65.3 (1.29)	18.8 (1.09)	7.3 (0.68)	2.8 (0.39)	5.8 (0.58)
Not Hispanic or Latino	100.0	3.5 (0.27)	96.5 (0.27)	100.0	68.6 (0.65)	16.6 (0.53)	5.0 (0.31)	1.8 (0.20)	8.0 (0.38)
White, single race	100.0	3.0 (0.30)	97.0 (0.30)	100.0	70.3 (0.79)	15.2 (0.63)	4.7 (0.38)	1.7 (0.25)	8.2 (0.47)
Black or African American only, single race	100.0	5.3 (0.74)	94.7 (0.74)	100.0	62.9 (1.65)	22.5 (1.36)	6.4 (0.81)	1.8 (0.43)	6.4 (0.79)
Family structure ⁵									
Mother and father	100.0	3.7 (0.28)	96.3 (0.28)	100.0	70.3 (0.68)	15.2 (0.55)	4.8 (0.31)	1.8 (0.20)	7.9 (0.37)
Mother, no father	100.0	5.6 (0.61)	94.4 (0.61)	100.0	63.4 (1.23)	20.7 (1.01)	6.5 (0.62)	2.4 (0.41)	7.0 (0.62)
Father, no mother	100.0	3.1 (0.89)	96.9 (0.89)	100.0	58.4 (2.77)	21.8 (2.62)	6.5 (1.37)	*2.3 (0.80)	11.0 (1.80)
Neither mother nor father	100.0	4.7 (1.40)	95.3 (1.40)	100.0	61.8 (3.26)	24.3 (2.82)	6.6 (1.63)	*1.8 (0.56)	5.5 (1.45)
Parent's education ⁶									
Less than high school diploma	100.0	7.9 (1.02)	92.1 (1.02)	100.0	61.4 (1.85)	21.4 (1.49)	7.1 (0.88)	2.4 (0.47)	7.8 (0.91)
High school diploma or GED ⁷	100.0	3.5 (0.52)	96.5 (0.52)	100.0	61.3 (1.41)	18.5 (1.18)	7.6 (0.83)	3.4 (0.59)	9.2 (0.81)
More than high school	100.0	3.6 (0.28)	96.4 (0.28)	100.0	71.0 (0.67)	15.6 (0.56)	4.5 (0.30)	1.5 (0.19)	7.4 (0.37)

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Family income ⁸									
Less than \$35,000	100.0	6.8 (0.65)	93.2 (0.65)	100.0	61.2 (1.16)	20.5 (0.93)	6.9 (0.61)	2.7 (0.40)	8.7 (0.62)
\$35,000 or more	100.0	3.1 (0.26)	96.9 (0.26)	100.0	70.5 (0.71)	15.4 (0.59)	4.8 (0.33)	1.6 (0.18)	7.7 (0.40)
\$35,000-\$49,999	100.0	4.7 (0.76)	95.3 (0.76)	100.0	62.5 (1.72)	19.7 (1.40)	7.2 (0.98)	2.8 (0.64)	7.8 (0.94)
\$50,000-\$74,999	100.0	4.4 (0.66)	95.6 (0.66)	100.0	63.7 (1.64)	16.8 (1.26)	7.6 (0.84)	2.2 (0.43)	9.6 (0.96)
\$75,000-\$99,999	100.0	3.5 (0.72)	96.5 (0.72)	100.0	68.4 (1.73)	17.1 (1.46)	5.0 (0.87)	1.8 (0.48)	7.7 (0.82)
\$100,000 or more	100.0	1.5 (0.28)	98.5 (0.28)	100.0	78.2 (1.02)	12.2 (0.87)	2.3 (0.39)	0.8 (0.19)	6.5 (0.59)
Poverty status ⁹									
Poor	100.0	6.9 (0.82)	93.1 (0.82)	100.0	61.3 (1.46)	21.2 (1.18)	6.8 (0.76)	2.7 (0.55)	7.9 (0.77)
Near poor	100.0	6.2 (0.64)	93.8 (0.64)	100.0	62.1 (1.31)	19.1 (0.98)	7.6 (0.66)	2.7 (0.42)	8.5 (0.75)
Not poor	100.0	2.5 (0.24)	97.5 (0.24)	100.0	72.1 (0.71)	14.9 (0.62)	4.2 (0.33)	1.4 (0.17)	7.5 (0.40)
Health insurance coverage ¹⁰									
Private	100.0	2.6 (0.25)	97.4 (0.25)	100.0	72.0 (0.71)	14.8 (0.58)	4.1 (0.33)	1.4 (0.20)	7.6 (0.42)
Medicaid or other public	100.0	5.0 (0.48)	95.0 (0.48)	100.0	65.1 (0.99)	19.7 (0.79)	6.2 (0.48)	2.1 (0.32)	6.9 (0.48)
Other	100.0	*	98.3 (1.16)	100.0	62.6 (3.86)	25.2 (3.76)	*3.9 (1.65)	*	7.3 (1.59)
Uninsured	100.0	17.5 (2.03)	82.5 (2.03)	100.0	37.7 (2.89)	21.8 (2.30)	15.0 (1.90)	7.7 (1.27)	17.9 (2.38)

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Place of residence ¹¹									
Large MSA	100.0	4.4 (0.34)	95.6 (0.34)	100.0	68.4 (0.76)	17.4 (0.64)	5.0 (0.36)	1.8 (0.22)	7.4 (0.39)
Small MSA	100.0	4.1 (0.52)	95.9 (0.52)	100.0	67.5 (1.01)	16.5 (0.75)	6.0 (0.51)	1.8 (0.27)	8.3 (0.61)
Not in MSA	100.0	3.4 (0.54)	96.6 (0.54)	100.0	65.7 (1.44)	17.5 (1.06)	5.7 (0.67)	2.8 (0.61)	8.2 (0.91)
Region									
Northeast	100.0	3.5 (0.67)	96.5 (0.67)	100.0	73.1 (1.29)	13.9 (1.04)	4.0 (0.70)	1.3 (0.32)	7.7 (0.72)
Midwest	100.0	3.7 (0.51)	96.3 (0.51)	100.0	66.8 (1.20)	17.2 (0.94)	5.1 (0.58)	2.6 (0.50)	8.4 (0.74)
South	100.0	4.3 (0.45)	95.7 (0.45)	100.0	66.9 (0.93)	17.8 (0.78)	5.8 (0.43)	1.9 (0.27)	7.5 (0.51)
West	100.0	4.7 (0.48)	95.3 (0.48)	100.0	66.5 (1.11)	18.0 (0.89)	6.1 (0.55)	1.8 (0.25)	7.6 (0.63)
Current health status									
Excellent or very good	100.0	3.6 (0.26)	96.4 (0.26)	100.0	68.8 (0.62)	16.4 (0.49)	5.1 (0.30)	1.9 (0.19)	7.7 (0.34)
Good	100.0	6.7 (0.87)	93.3 (0.87)	100.0	63.8 (1.58)	19.9 (1.34)	6.7 (0.78)	2.1 (0.45)	7.6 (0.95)
Fair or poor	100.0	7.5 (1.84)	92.5 (1.84)	100.0	56.9 (4.86)	23.8 (4.11)	6.3 (1.75)	*3.8 (1.50)	*9.3 (3.42)
Unmet dental need ¹									
Yes	100.0	100 (0.00)	-	100.0	44.0 (3.45)	23.7 (2.74)	16.1 (2.19)	7.0 (1.25)	9.2 (2.28)
No	100.0	-	100 (0.00)	100.0	68.9 (0.56)	16.8 (0.47)	4.9 (0.27)	1.7 (0.16)	7.7 (0.32)

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* Estimates are considered unreliable. Data preceded by an asterisk have a relative standard error (RSE) greater than 30% and less than or equal to 50% and should be used with caution. Data not shown have an RSE greater than 50%.

- Quantity zero.

¹Based on the questions, "During the past 12 months, was there any time when [child's name] needed any of the following but didn't get it because you couldn't afford it: Dental care (including check-ups)?" and "About how long has it been since [child's name] last saw a dentist? Include all types of dentists, such as orthodontists, oral surgeons, and all other dental specialists, as well as dental hygienists."

²Refers to children with only a single race group indicated, including those of Hispanic or Latino origin.

³Refers to children with more than one race group indicated, including those of Hispanic or Latino origin. Only two combinations of multiple race groups are shown due to small sample sizes for other combinations.

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

⁵Refers to parents living in the household. "Mother and father" can include biological, adoptive, step, in-law, or foster relationships. Legal guardians are classified in "Neither mother nor father."

⁶Refers to the education level of the parent with the higher level of education, regardless of that parent's age, provided the parent(s) live(s) in the household.

⁷GED is General Educational Development high school equivalency diploma.

⁸Includes children in families that reported either dollar amounts or would not provide a dollar amount but provided an income interval.

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

¹⁰Based on a hierarchy of mutually exclusive categories. Children with more than one type of health insurance were assigned to the first appropriate category in the hierarchy. "Uninsured" includes children 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.

¹¹MSA 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: Based on household interviews of a sample of the civilian noninstitutionalized population. This table is based on responses about the sample child, not all children in the family. Data came from the Sample Child File and were weighted using the Sample Child weight. Estimates are age adjusted using the projected 2000 U.S. population as the standard population and using age groups 2-4 years, 5-11 years, and 12-17 years. Estimates for age groups are not age-adjusted. Unknowns for the columns were not included in the denominators when calculating percentages. Percentages may not add to totals due to rounding. "Total" includes children of other races not shown separately and children with unknown family structure, parent's education, family income, poverty status, health insurance, or current health status. 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: Bloom B, Simpson JL. Tables of Summary Health Statistics for U.S. Children: 2015 National Health Interview Survey. National Center for Health Statistics. 2016. Available from: <http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/nhis/SHS/tables.htm>.

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Total	2,723	63,056	65,926	44,212	11,183	3,539	1,278	5,191
Sex								
Male	1,312	32,208	33,617	21,889	6,191	1,912	592	2,762
Female	1,411	30,848	32,310	22,323	4,992	1,627	686	2,429
Age								
2-4 years	238	12,034	12,316	6,133	1,579	411	*69	4,019
5-11 years	967	27,735	28,776	20,915	4,963	1,349	490	809
12-17 years	1,518	23,286	24,833	17,165	4,641	1,779	718	363
Race								
One race ²	2,590	60,213	62,944	42,098	10,777	3,387	1,188	4,976
White	1,884	46,716	48,694	33,230	7,804	2,548	929	3,855
Black or African American	523	9,160	9,718	5,995	2,150	634	162	634
American Indian or Alaska Native	*40	712	752	466	*136	*74	*	*45
Asian	136	3,382	3,530	2,233	644	127	82	415
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	*	243	250	*174	*	*	*	*
Two or more races ³	133	2,843	2,982	2,114	406	152	*90	215
Black or African American and white	*39	1,305	1,347	924	210	*52	*	123
American Indian or Alaska Native and white	*	446	465	277	*105	*49	*16	*

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Hispanic or Latino origin ⁴ and race								
Hispanic or Latino	964	14,979	16,000	10,305	2,964	1,036	389	1,139
Mexican or Mexican American	678	10,272	10,962	7,100	2,034	792	299	640
Not Hispanic or Latino	1,759	48,077	49,926	33,907	8,219	2,503	888	4,052
White, single race	1,048	33,386	34,472	24,072	5,215	1,620	574	2,823
Black or African American only, single race	478	8,565	9,077	5,600	2,007	579	159	591
Family structure ⁵								
Mother and father	1,621	43,744	45,462	31,487	6,839	2,155	786	3,906
Mother, no father	898	14,765	15,706	9,883	3,243	1,042	383	1,002
Father, no mother	92	2,406	2,505	1,494	546	190	*64	182
Neither mother nor father	*113	2,141	2,253	1,348	554	151	*44	102
Parent's education ⁶								
Less than high school diploma	581	6,697	7,297	4,455	1,570	523	172	526
High school diploma or GED ⁷	402	11,052	11,477	6,964	2,095	853	380	1,100
More than high school	1,623	43,044	44,763	31,411	6,928	2,008	666	3,439

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Family income ⁸								
Less than \$35,000	1,148	16,438	17,598	10,667	3,524	1,172	456	1,685
\$35,000 or more	1,260	39,395	40,720	28,588	6,238	1,948	667	3,032
\$35,000-\$49,999	329	6,516	6,860	4,259	1,351	495	190	528
\$50,000-\$74,999	416	8,917	9,355	5,921	1,575	709	207	859
\$75,000-\$99,999	247	7,107	7,355	4,944	1,241	356	129	633
\$100,000 or more	267	16,855	17,150	13,465	2,070	388	141	1,012
Poverty status ⁹								
Poor	828	11,893	12,725	7,775	2,643	825	319	1,103
Near poor	933	14,069	15,016	9,216	2,821	1,118	405	1,293
Not poor	884	34,066	35,008	25,149	5,190	1,456	491	2,553
Health insurance coverage ¹⁰								
Private	935	35,017	36,050	25,865	5,291	1,505	529	2,625
Medicaid or other public	1,218	23,965	25,215	16,288	4,818	1,497	495	1,926
Other	*	1,378	1,401	844	352	*56	*	124
Uninsured	545	2,432	2,976	1,095	654	467	239	474

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Place of residence ¹¹								
Large MSA	1,562	34,332	35,999	24,356	6,190	1,773	643	2,684
Small MSA	849	19,944	20,827	13,917	3,397	1,239	373	1,785
Not in MSA	313	8,780	9,100	5,940	1,595	526	261	722
Region								
Northeast	360	9,921	10,297	7,419	1,420	407	132	806
Midwest	560	14,494	15,064	9,995	2,588	760	386	1,285
South	1,082	23,748	24,908	16,510	4,393	1,437	477	1,873
West	721	14,893	15,657	10,288	2,782	936	282	1,226
Current health status								
Excellent or very good	1,967	53,413	55,497	37,743	9,023	2,791	1,033	4,502
Good	642	8,638	9,310	5,845	1,878	666	200	614
Fair or poor	114	997	1,111	616	282	*82	*45	*75
Unmet dental need ¹								
Yes	2,723	-	2,723	1,197	658	476	209	176
No	-	63,056	63,056	43,001	10,513	3,063	1,068	5,012

Table C-11b. Frequency distributions (in thousands) of unmet dental need due to cost in the past 12 months and of length of time since last visit with a dentist or other dental health care professional for children aged 2-17 years, by selected characteristics: United States, 2015

Selected characteristic	Has unmet dental need due to cost ¹	Does not have unmet dental need due to cost ¹	All children aged 2-17 years	6 months or less since last dental visit ¹	More than 6 months but not more than 1 year since last dental visit ¹	More than 1 year but not more than 2 years since last dental visit ¹	More than 2 years but not more than 5 years since last dental visit ¹	More than 5 years since last dental visit ¹
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¹Based on the questions, "During the past 12 months, was there any time when [child's name] needed any of the following but didn't get it because you couldn't afford it: Dental care (including check-ups)?" and "About how long has it been since [child's name] last saw a dentist? Include all types of dentists, such as orthodontists, oral surgeons, and all other dental specialists, as well as dental hygienists."

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⁶Refers to the education level of the parent with the higher level of education, regardless of that parent's age, provided the parent(s) live(s) in the household.

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SOURCE: NCHS, National Health Interview Survey, 2015.

Table C-11c. Crude percent distributions (with standard errors) of unmet dental need due to cost in the past 12 months and crude percent distributions of length of time since last visit with a dentist or other dental care professional for children aged 2-17 years, by selected characteristics: United States, 2015

Selected characteristic	All children aged 2-17 years	Has unmet dental need due to cost ¹	Does not have unmet dental need due to cost ¹	All children aged 2-17 years	6 months or less since last dental visit ¹	More than 6 months but not more than 1 year since last dental visit ¹	More than 1 year but not more than 2 years since last dental visit ¹	More than 2 years but not more than 5 years since last dental visit ¹	More than 5 years since last dental visit or never had a dental visit ¹
Total	100.0	4.1 (0.26)	95.9 (0.26)	100.0	67.6 (0.58)	17.1 (0.45)	5.4 (0.27)	2.0 (0.17)	7.9 (0.37)
Sex									
Male	100.0	3.9 (0.31)	96.1 (0.31)	100.0	65.6 (0.83)	18.6 (0.70)	5.7 (0.38)	1.8 (0.22)	8.3 (0.51)
Female	100.0	4.4 (0.41)	95.6 (0.41)	100.0	69.6 (0.83)	15.6 (0.63)	5.1 (0.38)	2.1 (0.26)	7.6 (0.50)
Age									
2-4 years	100.0	1.9 (0.45)	98.1 (0.45)	100.0	50.2 (1.48)	12.9 (1.02)	3.4 (0.56)	*0.6 (0.18)	32.9 (1.40)
5-11 years	100.0	3.4 (0.35)	96.6 (0.35)	100.0	73.3 (0.89)	17.4 (0.73)	4.7 (0.44)	1.7 (0.25)	2.8 (0.35)
12-17 years	100.0	6.1 (0.48)	93.9 (0.48)	100.0	69.6 (0.91)	18.8 (0.75)	7.2 (0.50)	2.9 (0.33)	1.5 (0.23)
Race									
One race ²	100.0	4.1 (0.27)	95.9 (0.27)	100.0	67.4 (0.59)	17.3 (0.46)	5.4 (0.27)	1.9 (0.17)	8.0 (0.38)
White	100.0	3.9 (0.30)	96.1 (0.30)	100.0	68.7 (0.67)	16.1 (0.51)	5.3 (0.31)	1.9 (0.21)	8.0 (0.44)
Black or African American	100.0	5.4 (0.71)	94.6 (0.71)	100.0	62.6 (1.59)	22.4 (1.30)	6.6 (0.79)	1.7 (0.39)	6.6 (0.82)
American Indian or Alaska Native	100.0	*5.3 (2.62)	94.7 (2.62)	100.0	63.6 (5.46)	18.5 (4.90)	10.1 (2.70)	*	*6.2 (2.83)
Asian	100.0	3.9 (1.09)	96.1 (1.09)	100.0	63.8 (2.40)	18.4 (1.95)	3.6 (0.70)	2.3 (0.56)	11.9 (1.73)
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	100.0	*	97.4 (2.01)	100.0	69.6 (11.00)	*	*	*	*
Two or more races ³	100.0	4.5 (1.16)	95.5 (1.16)	100.0	71.0 (2.39)	13.6 (2.05)	5.1 (1.17)	*3.0 (1.07)	7.2 (1.24)
Black or African American and white	100.0	*2.9 (1.25)	97.1 (1.25)	100.0	68.6 (3.79)	15.6 (2.87)	*3.9 (1.61)	*	9.1 (2.08)
American Indian or Alaska Native and white	100.0	*	96.6 (1.79)	100.0	60.3 (7.93)	*22.9 (8.20)	*10.7 (3.55)	*3.6 (1.77)	*

Table C-11c. Crude percent distributions (with standard errors) of unmet dental need due to cost in the past 12 months and crude percent distributions of length of time since last visit with a dentist or other dental care professional for children aged 2-17 years, by selected characteristics: United States, 2015

Selected characteristic	All children aged 2-17 years	Has unmet dental need due to cost ¹	Does not have unmet dental need due to cost ¹	All children aged 2-17 years	6 months or less since last dental visit ¹	More than 6 months but not more than 1 year since last dental visit ¹	More than 1 year but not more than 2 years since last dental visit ¹	More than 2 years but not more than 5 years since last dental visit ¹	More than 5 years since last dental visit or never had a dental visit ¹
Hispanic or Latino origin⁴ and race									
Hispanic or Latino	100.0	6.0 (0.56)	94.0 (0.56)	100.0	65.1 (1.05)	18.7 (0.92)	6.5 (0.54)	2.5 (0.32)	7.2 (0.55)
Mexican or Mexican American	100.0	6.2 (0.71)	93.8 (0.71)	100.0	65.3 (1.27)	18.7 (1.11)	7.3 (0.68)	2.8 (0.39)	5.9 (0.60)
Not Hispanic or Latino	100.0	3.5 (0.27)	96.5 (0.27)	100.0	68.4 (0.68)	16.6 (0.53)	5.1 (0.31)	1.8 (0.20)	8.2 (0.45)
White, single race	100.0	3.0 (0.31)	97.0 (0.31)	100.0	70.2 (0.84)	15.2 (0.63)	4.7 (0.38)	1.7 (0.25)	8.2 (0.57)
Black or African American only, single race	100.0	5.3 (0.74)	94.7 (0.74)	100.0	62.7 (1.66)	22.5 (1.36)	6.5 (0.82)	1.8 (0.42)	6.6 (0.84)
Family structure⁵									
Mother and father	100.0	3.6 (0.28)	96.4 (0.28)	100.0	69.7 (0.71)	15.1 (0.55)	4.8 (0.31)	1.7 (0.19)	8.6 (0.46)
Mother, no father	100.0	5.7 (0.61)	94.3 (0.61)	100.0	63.5 (1.21)	20.9 (1.01)	6.7 (0.63)	2.5 (0.41)	6.4 (0.61)
Father, no mother	100.0	3.7 (1.02)	96.3 (1.02)	100.0	60.3 (2.90)	22.1 (2.58)	7.7 (1.56)	*2.6 (0.89)	7.3 (1.48)
Neither mother nor father	100.0	*5.0 (1.52)	95.0 (1.52)	100.0	61.3 (3.26)	25.2 (2.98)	6.9 (1.62)	*2.0 (0.64)	4.6 (1.32)
Parent's education⁶									
Less than high school diploma	100.0	8.0 (1.05)	92.0 (1.05)	100.0	61.5 (1.84)	21.7 (1.54)	7.2 (0.89)	2.4 (0.47)	7.3 (0.88)
High school diploma or GED ⁷	100.0	3.5 (0.52)	96.5 (0.52)	100.0	61.1 (1.45)	18.4 (1.18)	7.5 (0.83)	3.3 (0.58)	9.7 (1.04)
More than high school	100.0	3.6 (0.29)	96.4 (0.29)	100.0	70.7 (0.70)	15.6 (0.56)	4.5 (0.30)	1.5 (0.18)	7.7 (0.43)

Table C-11c. Crude percent distributions (with standard errors) of unmet dental need due to cost in the past 12 months and crude percent distributions of length of time since last visit with a dentist or other dental care professional for children aged 2-17 years, by selected characteristics: United States, 2015

Selected characteristic	All children aged 2-17 years	Has unmet dental need due to cost ¹	Does not have unmet dental need due to cost ¹	All children aged 2-17 years	6 months or less since last dental visit ¹	More than 6 months but not more than 1 year since last dental visit ¹	More than 1 year but not more than 2 years since last dental visit ¹	More than 2 years but not more than 5 years since last dental visit ¹	More than 5 years since last dental visit or never had a dental visit ¹
Family income ⁸									
Less than \$35,000	100.0	6.5 (0.63)	93.5 (0.63)	100.0	60.9 (1.17)	20.1 (0.93)	6.7 (0.60)	2.6 (0.38)	9.6 (0.75)
\$35,000 or more	100.0	3.1 (0.26)	96.9 (0.26)	100.0	70.6 (0.73)	15.4 (0.59)	4.8 (0.33)	1.6 (0.19)	7.5 (0.45)
\$35,000-\$49,999	100.0	4.8 (0.78)	95.2 (0.78)	100.0	62.4 (1.76)	19.8 (1.42)	7.2 (0.98)	2.8 (0.63)	7.7 (1.09)
\$50,000-\$74,999	100.0	4.5 (0.65)	95.5 (0.65)	100.0	63.9 (1.67)	17.0 (1.28)	7.7 (0.85)	2.2 (0.44)	9.3 (1.06)
\$75,000-\$99,999	100.0	3.4 (0.70)	96.6 (0.70)	100.0	67.7 (1.74)	17.0 (1.44)	4.9 (0.85)	1.8 (0.46)	8.7 (0.98)
\$100,000 or more	100.0	1.6 (0.29)	98.4 (0.29)	100.0	78.9 (1.06)	12.1 (0.86)	2.3 (0.39)	0.8 (0.19)	5.9 (0.60)
Poverty status ⁹									
Poor	100.0	6.5 (0.78)	93.5 (0.78)	100.0	61.4 (1.47)	20.9 (1.17)	6.5 (0.74)	2.5 (0.51)	8.7 (0.89)
Near poor	100.0	6.2 (0.64)	93.8 (0.64)	100.0	62.0 (1.34)	19.0 (0.98)	7.5 (0.66)	2.7 (0.41)	8.7 (0.89)
Not poor	100.0	2.5 (0.24)	97.5 (0.24)	100.0	72.2 (0.74)	14.9 (0.62)	4.2 (0.33)	1.4 (0.17)	7.3 (0.45)
Health insurance coverage ¹⁰									
Private	100.0	2.6 (0.26)	97.4 (0.26)	100.0	72.2 (0.75)	14.8 (0.58)	4.2 (0.33)	1.5 (0.20)	7.3 (0.47)
Medicaid or other public	100.0	4.8 (0.46)	95.2 (0.46)	100.0	65.1 (1.00)	19.3 (0.78)	6.0 (0.47)	2.0 (0.30)	7.7 (0.57)
Other	100.0	*	98.3 (1.10)	100.0	60.7 (4.48)	25.3 (3.91)	*4.0 (1.64)	*	8.9 (2.33)
Uninsured	100.0	18.3 (2.08)	81.7 (2.08)	100.0	37.4 (2.80)	22.3 (2.28)	16.0 (2.03)	8.1 (1.32)	16.2 (2.49)

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Place of residence ¹¹									
Large MSA	100.0	4.4 (0.35)	95.6 (0.35)	100.0	68.3 (0.78)	17.4 (0.64)	5.0 (0.35)	1.8 (0.22)	7.5 (0.44)
Small MSA	100.0	4.1 (0.52)	95.9 (0.52)	100.0	67.2 (1.03)	16.4 (0.76)	6.0 (0.50)	1.8 (0.27)	8.6 (0.73)
Not in MSA	100.0	3.4 (0.56)	96.6 (0.56)	100.0	65.7 (1.51)	17.6 (1.06)	5.8 (0.68)	2.9 (0.62)	8.0 (1.01)
Region									
Northeast	100.0	3.5 (0.68)	96.5 (0.68)	100.0	72.8 (1.36)	13.9 (1.05)	4.0 (0.69)	1.3 (0.32)	7.9 (0.80)
Midwest	100.0	3.7 (0.52)	96.3 (0.52)	100.0	66.6 (1.26)	17.2 (0.95)	5.1 (0.58)	2.6 (0.50)	8.6 (0.86)
South	100.0	4.4 (0.45)	95.6 (0.45)	100.0	66.9 (0.93)	17.8 (0.78)	5.8 (0.43)	1.9 (0.27)	7.6 (0.56)
West	100.0	4.6 (0.48)	95.4 (0.48)	100.0	66.3 (1.17)	17.9 (0.88)	6.0 (0.55)	1.8 (0.25)	7.9 (0.80)
Current health status									
Excellent or very good	100.0	3.6 (0.26)	96.4 (0.26)	100.0	68.5 (0.64)	16.4 (0.49)	5.1 (0.30)	1.9 (0.19)	8.2 (0.42)
Good	100.0	6.9 (0.88)	93.1 (0.88)	100.0	63.5 (1.57)	20.4 (1.36)	7.2 (0.85)	2.2 (0.49)	6.7 (0.86)
Fair or poor	100.0	10.3 (2.71)	89.7 (2.71)	100.0	56.0 (4.62)	25.6 (4.10)	7.5 (2.20)	*4.1 (1.39)	*6.8 (2.51)
Unmet dental need ¹									
Yes	100.0	100 (0.00)	-	100.0	44.1 (3.13)	24.2 (2.72)	17.5 (2.23)	7.7 (1.50)	6.5 (1.58)
No	100.0	-	100 (0.00)	100.0	68.6 (0.58)	16.8 (0.47)	4.9 (0.26)	1.7 (0.16)	8.0 (0.38)

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