

**Table C-8a. Age-adjusted percent distribution (with standard errors) of length of time since last contact with a doctor or other health care professional for children under age 18 years, by selected characteristics: United States, 2016**

Selected characteristic	All children under age 18 years	6 months or less <sup>1</sup>	More than 6 months but not more than 1 year <sup>1</sup>	More than 1 year but not more than 2 years <sup>1</sup>	More than 2 years but not more than 5 years <sup>1</sup>	More than 5 years or never <sup>1</sup>
Total	100.0	76.7 (0.57)	15.9 (0.46)	4.0 (0.25)	1.0 (0.13)	2.4 (0.25)
Sex						
Male	100.0	76.5 (0.76)	16.0 (0.63)	4.1 (0.33)	0.8 (0.16)	2.5 (0.35)
Female	100.0	76.9 (0.84)	15.7 (0.68)	3.8 (0.36)	1.2 (0.21)	2.3 (0.34)
Age						
0-4 years	100.0	87.3 (0.83)	8.6 (0.69)	1.5 (0.28)	0.2 (0.13)	2.4 (0.40)
5-11 years	100.0	74.1 (0.94)	17.9 (0.76)	4.5 (0.41)	1.0 (0.23)	2.4 (0.39)
12-17 years	100.0	71.4 (0.98)	19.4 (0.84)	5.2 (0.47)	1.5 (0.29)	2.5 (0.43)
Race						
One race <sup>2</sup>	100.0	76.7 (0.58)	15.8 (0.47)	4.0 (0.26)	1.0 (0.14)	2.5 (0.26)
White	100.0	77.0 (0.64)	15.7 (0.53)	4.0 (0.29)	0.9 (0.15)	2.3 (0.29)
Black or African American	100.0	76.5 (1.42)	15.8 (1.15)	4.0 (0.70)	0.9 (0.36)	2.8 (0.65)
American Indian or Alaska Native	100.0	67.7 (5.06)	14.4 (3.31)	*	*	*
Asian	100.0	76.9 (2.39)	15.6 (1.90)	2.3 (0.83)	1.7 (0.62)	*
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	100.0	*	*	*	*	*_
Two or more races <sup>3</sup>	100.0	77.4 (2.14)	18.6 (2.06)	3.3 (0.90)	0.4 (0.25)	0.3 (0.20)
Black or African American and white	100.0	77.4 (3.71)	19.0 (3.57)	*	0.2 (0.23)	-
American Indian or Alaska Native and white	100.0	75.0 (5.26)	18.9 (4.48)	*	-	-
Hispanic or Latino origin <sup>4</sup> and race						
Hispanic or Latino	100.0	72.9 (1.22)	17.7 (1.06)	4.5 (0.51)	1.2 (0.35)	3.7 (0.56)
Mexican or Mexican American	100.0	72.4 (1.58)	18.9 (1.44)	5.0 (0.67)	1.0 (0.31)	2.6 (0.56)
Not Hispanic or Latino	100.0	78.0 (0.60)	15.3 (0.49)	3.8 (0.28)	0.9 (0.13)	2.0 (0.28)
White, single race	100.0	78.8 (0.69)	15.0 (0.58)	3.8 (0.34)	0.8 (0.15)	1.6 (0.29)
Black or African American only, single race	100.0	76.7 (1.48)	15.9 (1.20)	3.7 (0.71)	1.0 (0.38)	2.7 (0.69)
Family structure <sup>5</sup>						
Mother and father	100.0	76.6 (0.69)	16.4 (0.57)	3.6 (0.29)	0.8 (0.14)	2.4 (0.31)
Mother, no father	100.0	77.5 (1.02)	14.1 (0.84)	5.0 (0.54)	0.9 (0.21)	2.5 (0.44)
Father, no mother	100.0	72.7 (2.77)	19.3 (2.42)	3.1 (0.69)	2.0 (0.79)	*
Neither mother nor father	100.0	77.6 (2.67)	13.4 (2.22)	4.4 (1.17)	*	2.0 (0.82)
Parent's education <sup>6</sup>						
Less than high school diploma	100.0	69.3 (1.92)	15.7 (1.64)	4.3 (0.78)	2.1 (0.62)	8.6 (1.41)
High school diploma or GED <sup>7</sup>	100.0	73.3 (1.42)	16.7 (1.17)	5.9 (0.69)	1.8 (0.39)	2.4 (0.46)
More than high school	100.0	78.8 (0.63)	15.8 (0.53)	3.4 (0.27)	0.5 (0.10)	1.5 (0.23)
Family income <sup>8</sup>						
Less than \$35,000	100.0	74.7 (1.08)	15.8 (0.92)	4.7 (0.52)	1.3 (0.31)	3.5 (0.49)
\$35,000 or more	100.0	77.9 (0.66)	16.0 (0.57)	3.6 (0.29)	0.8 (0.14)	1.7 (0.25)
\$35,000-\$49,999	100.0	73.9 (1.73)	17.6 (1.47)	4.8 (0.76)	1.5 (0.56)	2.2 (0.60)
\$50,000-\$74,999	100.0	75.0 (1.41)	16.7 (1.25)	4.7 (0.66)	1.1 (0.35)	2.5 (0.52)
\$75,000-\$99,999	100.0	77.8 (1.37)	15.7 (1.23)	4.6 (0.71)	0.7 (0.32)	1.1 (0.33)
\$100,000 or more	100.0	80.7 (0.92)	15.2 (0.83)	2.3 (0.32)	0.5 (0.16)	1.3 (0.31)

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<b>Poverty status<sup>9</sup></b>						
Poor	100.0	74.6 (1.32)	15.6 (1.15)	4.5 (0.64)	1.3 (0.43)	4.1 (0.63)
Near poor	100.0	73.7 (1.27)	17.7 (1.05)	4.5 (0.52)	1.3 (0.31)	2.9 (0.65)
Not poor	100.0	78.9 (0.67)	15.4 (0.57)	3.4 (0.29)	0.7 (0.14)	1.6 (0.23)
<b>Health insurance coverage<sup>10</sup></b>						
Private	100.0	78.8 (0.68)	15.6 (0.58)	3.4 (0.31)	0.6 (0.13)	1.6 (0.25)
Medicaid or other public	100.0	76.6 (0.93)	15.9 (0.82)	4.0 (0.42)	0.8 (0.23)	2.7 (0.39)
Other	100.0	76.4 (3.32)	17.1 (2.82)	*	0.3 (0.21)	*
Uninsured	100.0	55.0 (2.94)	20.6 (2.36)	9.4 (1.48)	6.9 (1.64)	8.1 (2.04)
<b>Place of residence<sup>11</sup></b>						
Large MSA	100.0	77.6 (0.79)	15.5 (0.65)	3.7 (0.32)	0.9 (0.19)	2.3 (0.32)
Small MSA	100.0	77.1 (0.96)	15.5 (0.73)	3.8 (0.41)	1.1 (0.21)	2.5 (0.49)
Not in MSA	100.0	72.4 (1.41)	18.2 (1.25)	5.4 (0.86)	1.1 (0.33)	2.8 (0.74)
<b>Region</b>						
Northeast	100.0	84.2 (1.33)	11.8 (1.08)	2.0 (0.53)	0.5 (0.21)	1.6 (0.51)
Midwest	100.0	76.6 (1.14)	17.2 (1.03)	3.8 (0.59)	0.9 (0.23)	1.5 (0.32)
South	100.0	73.8 (1.00)	16.4 (0.75)	4.7 (0.42)	1.0 (0.24)	4.1 (0.58)
West	100.0	75.8 (1.14)	17.1 (0.96)	4.4 (0.48)	1.4 (0.31)	1.3 (0.26)
<b>Current health status</b>						
Excellent or very good	100.0	76.7 (0.62)	16.4 (0.49)	3.9 (0.26)	0.9 (0.13)	2.1 (0.23)
Good	100.0	75.5 (1.62)	14.2 (1.34)	4.8 (0.75)	1.3 (0.49)	4.2 (0.95)
Fair or poor	100.0	84.5 (3.74)	*	*	1.5 (0.87)	*

\* Estimate is considered unreliable, as specified in National Center for Health Statistics Data Presentation Standards for Proportions (available from:

[https://www.cdc.gov/nchs/data/series/sr\\_02/sr02\\_175.pdf](https://www.cdc.gov/nchs/data/series/sr_02/sr02_175.pdf)), and is not shown.

- Quantity zero.

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

<sup>3</sup>Refers 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.

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<sup>5</sup>Refers 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."

<sup>6</sup>Refers 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.

<sup>7</sup>GED is General Educational Development high school equivalency diploma.

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

<sup>9</sup>"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.

<sup>10</sup>Based 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.

<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: 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 0-4 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 <https://www.cdc.gov/nchs/nhis/SHS/tables.htm>). Suggested citation: Black LI, Benson V. Tables of Summary Health Statistics for U.S. Children: 2016 National Health Interview Survey, 2016. Available from: <https://www.cdc.gov/nchs/nhis/SHS/tables.htm>.

SOURCE: NCHS, National Health Interview Survey, 2016.

**Table C-8b. Frequency distribution (in thousands) of length of time since last contact with a doctor or other health care professional for children under age 18 years, by selected characteristics: United States, 2016**

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Total	73,566	55,979	11,571	2,881	707	1,770
Sex						
Male	37,543	28,536	5,975	1,520	296	949
Female	36,023	27,443	5,595	1,361	412	821
Age						
0-4 years	19,993	17,345	1,698	303	47	469
5-11 years	28,693	21,036	5,092	1,287	296	685
12-17 years	24,879	17,599	4,780	1,292	365	617
Race						
One race <sup>2</sup>	69,888	53,124	10,921	2,760	692	1,757
White	54,059	41,230	8,454	2,184	511	1,246
Black or African American	10,774	8,152	1,644	414	97	293
American Indian or Alaska Native	938	641	126	*	*	*
Asian	3,896	2,987	602	89	65	*
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	221	*	*	*	*	*_
Two or more races <sup>3</sup>	3,678	2,855	650	121	16	14
Black or African American and white	1,505	1,177	263	*	4	-
American Indian or Alaska Native and white	644	483	122	*	-	-
Hispanic or Latino origin <sup>4</sup> and race						
Hispanic or Latino	18,311	13,291	3,179	804	212	670
Mexican or Mexican American	11,668	8,394	2,186	581	113	305
Not Hispanic or Latino	55,255	42,689	8,392	2,077	495	1,100
White, single race	37,862	29,571	5,630	1,448	302	625
Black or African American only, single race	9,959	7,517	1,545	360	94	269
Family structure <sup>5</sup>						
Mother and father	51,914	39,668	8,343	1,838	427	1,247
Mother, no father	16,526	12,640	2,348	842	151	405
Father, no mother	2,786	1,941	563	96	65	70
Neither mother nor father	2,340	1,730	316	106	*	48
Parent's education <sup>6</sup>						
Less than high school diploma	7,691	5,211	1,236	338	159	649
High school diploma or GED <sup>7</sup>	12,518	9,088	2,039	714	217	293
More than high school	50,845	39,851	7,970	1,724	248	736
Family income <sup>8</sup>						
Less than \$35,000	18,873	14,026	2,933	873	230	655
\$35,000 or more	47,339	36,595	7,511	1,694	397	787
\$35,000-\$49,999	7,601	5,576	1,294	352	110	167
\$50,000-\$74,999	10,642	7,951	1,731	485	112	258
\$75,000-\$99,999	8,340	6,487	1,291	370	58	93
\$100,000 or more	20,756	16,579	3,194	487	117	269

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<b>Poverty status<sup>9</sup></b>						
Poor	13,371	9,915	2,034	576	170	543
Near poor	16,615	12,138	2,868	730	203	463
Not poor	40,480	31,707	6,213	1,388	305	640
<b>Health insurance coverage<sup>10</sup></b>						
Private	39,933	31,195	6,239	1,359	236	654
Medicaid or other public	27,521	21,050	4,241	1,060	202	734
Other	1,973	1,475	319	*	5	*
Uninsured	3,799	2,025	752	355	262	321
<b>Place of residence<sup>11</sup></b>						
Large MSA	41,940	32,209	6,447	1,525	365	955
Small MSA	21,607	16,549	3,305	813	231	535
Not in MSA	10,019	7,222	1,818	544	111	280
<b>Region</b>						
Northeast	13,278	11,079	1,555	276	57	217
Midwest	15,776	11,974	2,705	610	148	228
South	27,040	19,844	4,346	1,235	267	1,092
West	17,472	13,082	2,964	761	235	234
<b>Current health status</b>						
Excellent or very good	62,273	47,554	10,048	2,356	547	1,272
Good	9,984	7,345	1,436	501	140	424
Fair or poor	1,298	1,078	*	*	21	*

\* Corresponding crude percentage for the frequency is considered unreliable, as specified in National Center for Health Statistics Data Presentation Standards for Proportions (available from: [https://www.cdc.gov/nchs/data/series/sr\\_02/sr02\\_175.pdf](https://www.cdc.gov/nchs/data/series/sr_02/sr02_175.pdf)), so the frequency is not shown.

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<sup>1</sup>Based on the question, "About how long has it been since anyone in the family last saw or talked to a doctor or other health care professional about [child's name]'s health? Include doctors seen while [he/she] was a patient in a hospital."

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<sup>6</sup>Refers 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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<sup>10</sup>Based 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.

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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 of "All children under 18 years" in this table differ slightly from estimates of "All children under 18 years" in the other detailed tables that were based on the Person File and were weighted using the Person weight. Unknowns for the columns were not included in the frequencies, but they are included in the "All children under 18 years" column. "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 <https://www.cdc.gov/nchs/nhis/SHS/tables.htm>). Suggested citation: Black LI, Benson V. Tables of Summary Health Statistics for U.S. Children: 2016 National Health Interview Survey. 2018. Available from: <https://www.cdc.gov/nchs/nhis/SHS/tables.htm>.

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**Table C-8c. Crude percent distribution (with standard errors) of length of time since last contact with a doctor or other health care professional for children under age 18 years, by selected characteristics: United States, 2016**

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Total	100.0	76.8 (0.57)	15.9 (0.46)	4.0 (0.25)	1.0 (0.13)	2.4 (0.25)
<b>Sex</b>						
Male	100.0	76.6 (0.76)	16.0 (0.63)	4.1 (0.33)	0.8 (0.16)	2.5 (0.35)
Female	100.0	77.0 (0.84)	15.7 (0.68)	3.8 (0.36)	1.2 (0.21)	2.3 (0.34)
<b>Age</b>						
0-4 years	100.0	87.3 (0.83)	8.6 (0.69)	1.5 (0.28)	0.2 (0.13)	2.4 (0.40)
5-11 years	100.0	74.1 (0.94)	17.9 (0.76)	4.5 (0.41)	1.0 (0.23)	2.4 (0.39)
12-17 years	100.0	71.4 (0.98)	19.4 (0.84)	5.2 (0.47)	1.5 (0.29)	2.5 (0.43)
<b>Race</b>						
One race <sup>2</sup>	100.0	76.7 (0.58)	15.8 (0.47)	4.0 (0.26)	1.0 (0.14)	2.5 (0.26)
White	100.0	76.9 (0.63)	15.8 (0.53)	4.1 (0.29)	1.0 (0.15)	2.3 (0.29)
Black or African American	100.0	76.9 (1.41)	15.5 (1.15)	3.9 (0.69)	0.9 (0.35)	2.8 (0.66)
American Indian or Alaska Native	100.0	69.1 (5.15)	13.6 (3.28)	*	*	*
Asian	100.0	77.0 (2.39)	15.5 (1.89)	2.3 (0.83)	1.7 (0.61)	*
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	100.0	*	*	*	*	*_
Two or more races <sup>3</sup>	100.0	78.1 (2.17)	17.8 (2.09)	3.3 (0.91)	0.4 (0.24)	0.4 (0.24)
Black or African American and white	100.0	78.7 (3.58)	17.6 (3.41)	*	0.2 (0.24)	-
American Indian or Alaska Native and white	100.0	75.0 (5.28)	18.9 (4.60)	*	-	-
<b>Hispanic or Latino origin<sup>4</sup> and race</b>						
Hispanic or Latino	100.0	73.2 (1.22)	17.5 (1.06)	4.4 (0.51)	1.2 (0.34)	3.7 (0.57)
Mexican or Mexican American	100.0	72.5 (1.60)	18.9 (1.45)	5.0 (0.67)	1.0 (0.31)	2.6 (0.56)
Not Hispanic or Latino	100.0	78.0 (0.60)	15.3 (0.49)	3.8 (0.28)	0.9 (0.13)	2.0 (0.28)
White, single race	100.0	78.7 (0.70)	15.0 (0.57)	3.9 (0.35)	0.8 (0.14)	1.7 (0.30)
Black or African American only, single race	100.0	76.8 (1.48)	15.8 (1.20)	3.7 (0.71)	1.0 (0.38)	2.7 (0.70)
<b>Family structure<sup>5</sup></b>						
Mother and father	100.0	77.0 (0.68)	16.2 (0.56)	3.6 (0.29)	0.8 (0.14)	2.4 (0.30)
Mother, no father	100.0	77.1 (1.04)	14.3 (0.86)	5.1 (0.57)	0.9 (0.21)	2.5 (0.43)
Father, no mother	100.0	71.0 (2.66)	20.6 (2.46)	3.5 (0.74)	2.4 (0.89)	2.6 (0.97)
Neither mother nor father	100.0	76.4 (3.14)	14.0 (2.32)	4.7 (1.27)	*	2.1 (0.85)
<b>Parent's education<sup>6</sup></b>						
Less than high school diploma	100.0	68.6 (1.96)	16.3 (1.70)	4.4 (0.80)	2.1 (0.61)	8.6 (1.46)
High school diploma or GED <sup>7</sup>	100.0	73.6 (1.41)	16.5 (1.17)	5.8 (0.68)	1.8 (0.38)	2.4 (0.47)
More than high school	100.0	78.9 (0.64)	15.8 (0.53)	3.4 (0.27)	0.5 (0.10)	1.5 (0.23)
<b>Family income<sup>8</sup></b>						
Less than \$35,000	100.0	74.9 (1.08)	15.7 (0.92)	4.7 (0.51)	1.2 (0.31)	3.5 (0.50)
\$35,000 or more	100.0	77.9 (0.67)	16.0 (0.57)	3.6 (0.29)	0.8 (0.14)	1.7 (0.24)
\$35,000-\$49,999	100.0	74.4 (1.74)	17.3 (1.47)	4.7 (0.75)	1.5 (0.54)	2.2 (0.61)
\$50,000-\$74,999	100.0	75.5 (1.42)	16.4 (1.24)	4.6 (0.65)	1.1 (0.34)	2.5 (0.51)
\$75,000-\$99,999	100.0	78.2 (1.39)	15.6 (1.23)	4.5 (0.69)	0.7 (0.31)	1.1 (0.33)
\$100,000 or more	100.0	80.3 (0.92)	15.5 (0.84)	2.4 (0.33)	0.6 (0.16)	1.3 (0.30)

**Table C-8c. Crude percent distribution (with standard errors) of length of time since last contact with a doctor or other health care professional for children under age 18 years, by selected characteristics: United States, 2016**

Selected characteristic	All children under age 18 years	6 months or less <sup>1</sup>	More than 6 months but not more than 1 year <sup>1</sup>	More than 1 year but not more than 2 years <sup>1</sup>	More than 2 years but not more than 5 years <sup>1</sup>	More than 5 years or never <sup>1</sup>
<b>Poverty status<sup>9</sup></b>						
Poor	100.0	74.9 (1.31)	15.4 (1.15)	4.3 (0.62)	1.3 (0.41)	4.1 (0.64)
Near poor	100.0	74.0 (1.28)	17.5 (1.04)	4.5 (0.52)	1.2 (0.31)	2.8 (0.64)
Not poor	100.0	78.8 (0.68)	15.4 (0.57)	3.4 (0.29)	0.8 (0.14)	1.6 (0.23)
<b>Health insurance coverage<sup>10</sup></b>						
Private	100.0	78.6 (0.69)	15.7 (0.59)	3.4 (0.31)	0.6 (0.13)	1.6 (0.24)
Medicaid or other public	100.0	77.1 (0.92)	15.5 (0.80)	3.9 (0.41)	0.7 (0.21)	2.7 (0.40)
Other	100.0	76.8 (3.38)	16.6 (2.86)	*	0.3 (0.20)	*
Uninsured	100.0	54.5 (3.00)	20.2 (2.30)	9.6 (1.44)	7.0 (1.52)	8.6 (2.36)
<b>Place of residence<sup>11</sup></b>						
Large MSA	100.0	77.6 (0.80)	15.5 (0.65)	3.7 (0.32)	0.9 (0.19)	2.3 (0.32)
Small MSA	100.0	77.2 (0.95)	15.4 (0.72)	3.8 (0.40)	1.1 (0.21)	2.5 (0.49)
Not in MSA	100.0	72.4 (1.44)	18.2 (1.27)	5.4 (0.87)	1.1 (0.32)	2.8 (0.75)
<b>Region</b>						
Northeast	100.0	84.0 (1.32)	11.8 (1.06)	2.1 (0.54)	0.4 (0.20)	1.6 (0.54)
Midwest	100.0	76.4 (1.14)	17.3 (1.03)	3.9 (0.60)	0.9 (0.23)	1.5 (0.32)
South	100.0	74.1 (1.02)	16.2 (0.75)	4.6 (0.42)	1.0 (0.24)	4.1 (0.58)
West	100.0	75.7 (1.13)	17.2 (0.95)	4.4 (0.48)	1.4 (0.31)	1.4 (0.26)
<b>Current health status</b>						
Excellent or very good	100.0	77.0 (0.62)	16.3 (0.49)	3.8 (0.26)	0.9 (0.12)	2.1 (0.23)
Good	100.0	74.6 (1.66)	14.6 (1.31)	5.1 (0.77)	1.4 (0.54)	4.3 (1.04)
Fair or poor	100.0	83.9 (3.97)	*	*	1.6 (0.92)	*

\* Estimate is considered unreliable, as specified in National Center for Health Statistics Data Presentation Standards for Proportions (available from: [https://www.cdc.gov/nchs/data/series/sr\\_02/sr02\\_175.pdf](https://www.cdc.gov/nchs/data/series/sr_02/sr02_175.pdf)), and is not shown.

- Quantity zero.

<sup>1</sup>Based on the question, "About how long has it been since anyone in the family last saw or talked to a doctor or other health care professional about [child's name]'s health? Include doctors seen while [he/she] was a patient in a hospital."

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

<sup>3</sup>Refers 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.

<sup>4</sup>Refers 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.

<sup>5</sup>Refers 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."

<sup>6</sup>Refers 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.

<sup>7</sup>GED is General Educational Development high school equivalency diploma.

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

<sup>9</sup>"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.

<sup>10</sup>Based 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.

<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: 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. 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 <https://www.cdc.gov/nchs/nhis/SHS/tables.htm>). Suggested citation: Black LI, Benson V. Tables of Summary Health Statistics for U.S. Children: 2016 National Health Interview Survey. 2018. Available from: <https://www.cdc.gov/nchs/nhis/SHS/tables.htm>.

SOURCE: NCHS, National Health Interview Survey, 2016.