



Economic Hardship —Survey questions

Today's economy is challenging for many households, but in different ways depending on their situations.

1. Overall, how satisfied are you with your household's current financial situation?

- Very satisfied
- Satisfied
- Not satisfied
- Not at all satisfied

2. How often do you worry about financial matters for your household?

- Very often
- Sometimes
- Rarely
- Not at all

[Q 3 FOR PARENT WITH CHLD AGE>=5]

3. How much stress does your [insert age of oldest child] –year old have as a result of worries about your family's money?

- No stress
- Some stress
- A lot of stress

4. How has your household's financial situation changed over the past 6 months?

- Got much worse
- Got slightly worse
- Stayed the same
- Got slightly better
- Got much better

Sometimes families have to make tough choices about what to pay for, in order to try to make ends meet.

5. Please indicate whether you (and your household) have done any of the following to make ends meet in your household in the last 6 months:

	Yes	No	Not applicable
Delayed taking my child(ren) to the dentist			
Delayed taking my child(ren) to the doctor			
Applied for or used free or reduced-price lunch for my child(ren)			
Cut back on "extras" or activities for <u>my child(ren)</u>			
Found cheaper school or child care options for my child(ren)			
My child(ren) took a job to help with family expenses			
Applied for a state or government insurance (such as Medicaid or SCHIP) for <u>my child(ren)</u>			

Participants were also asked demographic questions on child age, gender, health status, and insurance status. Parents were also asked to identify annual household income, education, race/ ethnicity and health insurance status.

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