

HARVARD T.H. CHAN SCHOOL OF PUBLIC HEALTH

COVID-19 PREVENTIVE BEHAVIORS SURVEY

**Topline Results
July 14 – 26, 2021**

The study was conducted for the Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health via the SSRS online probability panel and telephone by SSRS, an independent research company. Interviews were conducted from July 14 through July 26, 2021. The study collected data from 2,500 respondents (2,400 reached online and 100 reached via telephone). The margin of error for total respondents is +/-2.78 percentage points at the 95% confidence level. More information about SSRS can be obtained by visiting www.ssrs.com.

OTHER QUESTIONS HELD FOR FUTURE RELEASE

Read to all: Now I'd like to ask you about vaccination requirements for children to attend school. These questions ask specifically about [other] vaccination against childhood preventable diseases such as measles, mumps and rubella – not about vaccination against coronavirus or COVID-19.

Q41. As you may know, children who cannot get vaccinated for medical reasons are never required to get vaccinated in order to attend school. But for all other children to attend school, do you think parents should be required to have them vaccinated against preventable diseases such as measles, mumps and rubella, or do you think that parents should be able to send their children to school without having them vaccinated?

	Should be required to have children vaccinated against preventable diseases to attend school	Should be able to send children to school without being vaccinated against preventable diseases	Don't know	Refused/Web Blank
Percent	78	21	*	*

Q42. How safe do you think these childhood vaccines are for most children? Again, this refers to vaccines to prevent childhood preventable diseases such as measles, mumps and rubella – not about vaccines to prevent coronavirus or COVID-19.

	Very safe	Somewhat safe	Not very safe	Not at all safe	Don't know	Refused/ Web Blank
Percent	69	25	3	2	*	*

Q43. How much do you trust public health agencies to provide accurate information about the safety of these childhood vaccines?

	A great deal	Somewhat	Not very much	Not at all	Don't know	Refused/ Web Blank
Percent	53	34	8	4	*	*

Q45. Now I'd like to ask you about coronavirus or COVID-19 vaccination requirements for children to attend school. As you may know, the coronavirus vaccine is now available for children ages 12 to 17. Children in this age range who cannot get vaccinated for medical reasons are never required to get vaccinated in order to attend school. But for all other children ages 12 to 17 to attend school, do you think parents should be required to have them vaccinated against coronavirus or do you think that parents should be able to send their children to school without having them vaccinated against coronavirus?

	Should be required to have children ages 12-17 vaccinated against coronavirus to attend school	Should be able to send children ages 12-17 to school without being vaccinated against coronavirus	Don't know	Refused/Web Blank
Percent	56	44	*	1

Q46. How safe do you think coronavirus vaccines are for most children age 12 to 17?

	Very safe	Somewhat safe	Not very safe	Not at all safe	Don't know	Refused/ Web Blank
Percent	42	34	13	8	1	1

Q47. How much do you trust public health agencies to provide accurate information about the safety of coronavirus vaccines for children ages 12 to 17?

	A great deal	Somewhat	Not very much	Not at all	Don't know	Refused/ Web Blank
Percent	40	32	16	12	*	1

DEMOGRAPHICS

D1a. Could you please tell me if you are ...?

	18-64					65+				
	NET	18-29	30-44	45-54	55-64	NET	65-74	75-84	85+	Refused /Web Blank
Percent	78	20	26	15	17	22	13	6	2	*

D4. Are you currently...?

	Percent
Married	53
Not married (NET)	47
Living with a partner	9
Divorced	9
Separated	2
Widowed	5
Have you never been married	21
Refused/Web blank	-

D6. What is the highest level of school you have completed or the highest degree you have received?

	Percent
High school or less	36
Some college	28
College plus	36
Don't know	*
Refused/Web blank	*

D7. Are you of Hispanic or Latino origin or descent?

D8. I am going to read you a list of five race categories. You may choose one or more races. For this survey, Hispanic origin is not a race. Are you: White, Black or African American, American Indian or Alaska Native, Asian, OR Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander?

	Percent
White non-Hispanic	63
Black non-Hispanic	12
Hispanic	16
Other non-Hispanic (NET)	9
Non-Hispanic AI/AN	1
Non-Hispanic Asian	4
Non-Hispanic Pacific Islander	*
Non-Hispanic Other	4
Non-Hispanic Mixed	1
Don't know/Refused	1

(Asked of Hispanic respondents)

D9. Were you born in the United States, on the island of Puerto Rico, or in another country?

	U.S.	Puerto Rico	Another country	Don't know	Refused/Web blank	
Percent	63	5	32	-	*	N=494

D5. Do you consider yourself...?

	Percent
Male	48
Female	51
Non-binary	*
A different gender	*
Refused/Web blank	*

D5a. Some people describe themselves as “transgender” when their gender identity is different from the sex they were assigned at birth. Some people do not identify as either male or female, and they might also call themselves transgender. Do you consider yourself to be transgender?

	Yes	No	Don't know	Refused/Web blank
Percent	1	99	*	*

D5b. Which of the following best describes you?

	Percent
Heterosexual or straight	89
Gay or lesbian	4
Bisexual	4
A different sexual orientation	1
Don't know	*
Refused/Web blank	1

D13. Have you been told by a doctor or health professional that you have any of the following medical conditions: A serious heart, lung, liver or kidney condition; cancer; diabetes; obesity; sickle-cell disease; or decreased immunity?

	Yes	No	Don't know	Refused
Percent	29	70	-	*

(Asked of those with 2 or more people in household)

D14. To the best of your knowledge, has anyone else in your household been told by a doctor or health professional that they have any of the following medical conditions: A serious heart, lung, or kidney condition; cancer; diabetes; obesity; sickle cell disease; or decreased immunity?

	Yes	No	Don't know	Refused	
Percent	25	74	-	1	N=2,096

(Asked of women aged 18-49)

D15. Are you currently pregnant?

	Yes	No	Don't know	Refused/Web Blank	
Percent	4	96	-	*	N=895

(Asked of those with 2 or more people in household)

D16. As far as you know, is anyone [else] in your household currently pregnant?

	Yes	No	Don't know	Refused/Web Blank	
Percent	2	97	-	*	N=2,096

D17. Are you a current or former cigarette smoker?

	Yes	No	Don't know	Refused/Web Blank	
Percent	34	66	-	*	

(Asked of those with 2 or more people in household)

D18. As far as you know, is anyone [else] in your household a current or former cigarette smoker?

	Yes	No	Don't know	Refused/Web Blank	
Percent	29	71	-	*	N=2,096

D19. And [aside from you,] is anyone in your household age 65 or older, or not?

	Yes	No	Don't know	Refused/Web Blank	
Percent	19	81	-	*	

D20. Is your total annual household income from all sources, and before taxes...?

**Income Summary Table
Based on total respondents**

	Percent
Less than \$50,000 (NET)	38
\$50,000 or more (NET)	58
Don't know	1
Refused	3