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ABOUT YOU

*question is at the beginning of survey not in the about you section

FFS-Only (2000-2004, 2007-2010)

	VARIABLE NAME		CAHPS v4.0													CAHPS v3.0				CAHPS v2.0			CAHPS v1.0		
	2007-2019	1997-2005	'19	'18	'17	'16	'15	'14	'13	'12	'11	'10	'09	'08	'07	'05	'04	'03	'02	'01	'00	'99	'98	'97	
COMPOSITE ITEMS: CMS survey																									
In general, how would you rate your overall health?	ghs											Q34	Q33	Q34	Q28										
In general, how would you rate your overall health now?		ghs															Q55	Q56	Q59						
In general, would you say your health is:		ghs																		Q55	Q53				
Compared to one year ago, how would you rate your health in general now?		ghslast																Q56	Q57	Q60	Q56	Q65			
In general, how would you rate your overall mental health?	mhs											Q35	Q34	Q35											
In general, how would you rate your overall mental health now?	mhs	mhs													Q29					Q58	Q59	Q58	Q54	Q71	
We want to know how you feel about your life overall. How would you rate your life now?		life_now																Q87	Q86	Q53					
Over the last 2 weeks, how often have you been bothered by having little interest or pleasure in doing things?	ds_nointerest											Q36	Q35												
Over the last 2 weeks, how often have you been bothered by feeling down, depressed, or hopeless?	ds_depressed											Q37	Q36												
In the last 12 months , have you been a patient in a hospital overnight or longer?		inpat																Q57	Q58	Q54	Q50	Q49			
In the past 12 months, have you seen a doctor or other health provider 3 or more times for the same condition or problem?	cnd_md3time											Q38	Q37	Q36	Q41										
In the last 12 months , have you seen a doctor or other health provider more than twice for any of these conditions ?		cnd_md3time																	Q60	Q61	Q56	Q52	Q51		
Is this a condition or problem that has lasted for at least 3 months?	cnd_last3mo											Q39	Q38	Q37	Q42										
Do you now have any physical or medical conditions that have lasted for at least 3 months ?		cnd_last3mo																	Q59	Q60	Q55	Q51	Q50		

Do you now need or take medicine prescribed by a doctor?	cnd_rxmeds										Q57	Q48	Q56	Q41	Q41	Q46										
Have you been taking prescription medicine for at least 3 months for any of these conditions?		cnd_rx4cnd															Q76	Q76	Q78	Q72	Q70	Q70	Q62	Q62	Q61	
Is this to treat a condition that has lasted for at least 3 months?	cnd_meds3mo					Q62	Q62	Q62	Q61	Q58	Q49	Q57	Q42	Q42	Q47											
How often do you take a list of all your prescribed medicines to your doctor visits?	rx_medslist												Q43	Q43	Q48											
In the last 6 months, how often was it easy to get the medicines your doctor prescribed? <i>(*Also in Getting Needed Prescription composite)</i>	rx_ezmeds		Q44	Q44	Q44	Q63	Q63	Q63	Q62	Q59	Q50	Q58	Q44													
Do you have insurance that pays part or all of the cost of your prescription medicines?	rx_inspay		Q45	Q45	Q45	Q64	Q64	Q64	Q63	Q60	Q51	Q59	Q45													
In the last 6 months, did you ever delay or not fill a prescription because you felt that you could not afford it?	rx_delay		Q46	Q46	Q46	Q65	Q65	Q65	Q64	Q61	Q52	Q60	Q46	Q44	Q49											
How confident are you that you can identify when it is necessary for you to get medical care?	knowcare												Q61	Q47	Q45	Q50										
In the last 6 months, did you receive any mail order medicines that you did not request?	rxmailunreq		Q47	Q47	Q47	Q66	Q66	Q66																		
Has a doctor ever told you that you had any of the following conditions: heart attack; angina or coronary heart disease; hypertension or high blood pressure; cancer, other than skin cancer; emphysema, asthma or COPD; any kind of diabetes or high blood sugar?	cnd_heartattack (a) cnd_angina (b) cnd_hypertnsn (c) cnd_cancer (d) cnd_copd (e) cnd_diabetes (f)		Q48	Q48	Q48	Q67	Q67	Q67																		
Has a doctor <u>ever</u> told you that you had any of the following conditions: heart attack; angina or coronary heart disease; stroke ; cancer, other than skin cancer; emphysema, asthma or COPD; any kind of diabetes or high blood sugar?	cnd_heartattack (a) cnd_angina (b) cnd_stroke (c) cnd_cancer (d) cnd_copd (e) cnd_diabetes (f)								Q65	Q62	Q53	Q65	Q51	Q49												
Has a doctor ever told you that you had heart disease?		cnd_heart																				Q71	Q63	Q63	Q62	
Has a doctor ever told you that you had cancer?		cnd_cancer																				Q72	Q64	Q64	Q63	
Has a doctor ever told you that you had a stroke?		cnd_stroke																				Q73	Q65	Q65	Q64	
Has a doctor ever told you that you had COPD?		cnd_copd																				Q74	Q66	Q66	Q65	

Has a doctor ever told you that you had diabetes?		cnd_diabet																			Q75	Q67	Q67	Q66
Do you have serious difficulty walking or climbing stairs?	prob_walking		Q49	Q49	Q49																			
Do you have difficulty dressing or bathing?	prob_dressing		Q50	Q50	Q50																			
Because of a physical, mental, or emotional condition, do you have difficulty doing errands alone such as visiting a doctor's office or shopping?	prob_errands		Q51	Q51	Q51																			
Have you had a flu shot since July 1, [previous year]?	im_flu1last		Q52	Q52	Q52	Q68	Q68	Q68																
Have you had a flu shot since September [previous year]?	im_flu1last								Q66	Q63	Q54	Q66	Q52											
Did you get a flu shot last year, from September to December [previous year]?	im_flu1last	im_flu1last												Q50	Q54		Q80	Q82	Q81	Q79	Q80	Q72	Q72	
Did you get a flu shot this fall or winter?		im_flu1last														Q80								
Did you get a flu shot this year, from September to December [current year]?		im_flu2this																				Q74	Q74	
In the last 12 months, did you get a flu shot?		im_flu1last_12																					Q71	
Did you get that flu shot either through your plan or from your personal doctor?	im_flu1plan	im_flu1plan											Q53	Q51										
Did you get that flu shot either through your health plan or from your personal doctor?	im_flu1plan	im_flu1plan													Q55									
Did you get that flu shot either through your Medicare health plan or from your personal doctor?		im_flu1plan														Q81	Q81	Q83		Q80	Q81			
Did you get that flu shot either through the Sterling Life Insurance Company or from your personal doctor?		im_flu1plan																Q82						
Did you get that flu shot either through your Medicare health plan or from your personal doctor [Sep to Dec of previous year]?		im_flu1plan (last)																				Q73	Q73	
Did you get that flu shot either through your Medicare health plan or from your personal doctor [Sep to Dec of this year]?		im_flu2plan (this)																				Q75	Q75	
Did you get that flu shot either through your health plan or from your personal doctor?		im_flu1plan_12																					Q72	
Have you ever had a pneumonia shot? This shot is usually given only once or twice in a person's lifetime and is different from the flu shot. It is also called the pneumococcal vaccine.	im_pneum	im_pneum	Q53	Q53	Q53	Q69	Q69	Q69	Q67	Q64	Q55	Q67	Q54	Q52	Q56	Q82	Q82	Q84	Q83	Q81	Q82			

How long has it been since you <u>quit smoking</u> cigarettes?		smokequit																Q87	Q87	Q86	Q84	Q85	Q79	Q79	Q75	
What is your age?	age10 – 2008-13 age9 - 2007								Q70	Q67	Q58	Q70	Q57	Q55	Q59											
What is your age <u>now</u> ?		age7 – 2003-2005 age6 - 2002 age5 – 1997-2001																Q87	Q89	Q89	Q88	Q86	Q87	Q81	Q81	Q79
Are you male or female?	gender	gender							Q71	Q68	Q59	Q71	Q58	Q56	Q60	Q88	Q90	Q90	Q89	Q87	Q88	Q82	Q82	Q80		
What is the highest grade or level of school that you have completed?	education	education	Q56	Q56	Q56	Q72	Q72	Q72	Q72	Q69	Q60	Q72	Q59	Q57	Q61	Q89	Q91	Q91	Q90	Q88	Q89	Q83	Q83	Q81		
Are you of Hispanic or Latino origin or descent?	race_hisp	race_hisp	Q57	Q57	Q57	Q73	Q73	Q73	Q73	Q70	Q61	Q73	Q60	Q58	Q62	Q90	Q92	Q92	Q91	Q89	Q90	Q84	Q84	Q82		
What is your race?	race_white (a) race_black (b) race_asian (c) race_pacific (d) race_natamer (e)	race_white (a) race_black (b) race_asian (c) race_pacific (d) race_natamer (e)	Q58	Q58	Q58	Q74	Q74	Q74	Q74	Q71	Q62	Q74	Q61	Q59	Q63	Q91	Q93	Q93	Q92	Q90	Q91	Q85	Q85	Q83		
Did someone help you complete this survey?	proxy	proxy	Q62	Q62	Q62	Q77	Q77	Q77	Q75	Q72	Q63	Q75	Q62	Q60	Q64	Q92	Q94	Q94	Q93	Q91	Q92	Q86	Q86	Q84		
How did that person help you?	pxy_read (a) pxy_writ (b) pxy_answ (c) pxy_tran (d) pxy_othr (e)	pxy_read (a) pxy_writ (b) pxy_answ (c) pxy_tran (d) pxy_othr (e)	Q63	Q63	Q63	Q78	Q78	Q78	Q76	Q73	Q64	Q76	Q63	Q61	Q65	Q93	Q95	Q95	Q94	Q92	Q93	Q87	Q87			
Which answer best describes the help that was given?		pxy_help																						Q85		
How many people live in your household now, including yourself?	living_numinh		Q59	Q59	Q59	Q75	Q75	Q75	Q77																	
Do you live alone?	living_alone										Q74	Q65	Q77	Q64												
Which of the following best describes your current living arrangement?	living_arr														Q62	Q66										
Because of a health or physical problem are you unable to do or have any difficulty doing the following activities? Bathing; dressing; eating; getting in or out of chairs; walking; using toilet	lim_bathing (a) lim_dressing (b) lim_eating (c) lime_chairs (d) lim_walking (e) lim_toilet (f)	lim_bathing (a) lim_dressing (b) lim_eating (c) lime_chairs (d) lim_walking (e) lim_toilet (f)										Q78	Q65	Q63	Q67											
Because of any impairment or health problem, do you <u>need the help</u> of other persons <u>with your personal care needs</u> , such as eating, dressing, or getting around the house?	helpperscare	helpperscare										Q62	Q48	Q46	Q51	Q77	Q77	Q79	Q77	Q75	Q76	Q68	Q68	Q67		

Because of any impairment of health problem, do you <u>need help with your routine needs</u> , such as everyday household chores, doing necessary business, shopping, or getting around for other purposes?	helproutine	helproutine												Q63	Q49	Q47	Q52	Q78	Q78	Q80	Q78	Q76	Q77	Q69	Q69	Q68	
Does <u>your health now limit you</u> in doing <u>moderate activities</u> , such as moving a table, pushing a vacuum cleaner, bowling, or playing golf? If so, how much?	lim_modact	lim_modact																Q33									
Does <u>your health now limit you</u> in climbing <u>several flights</u> of stairs?	lim_climb																	Q34									
Do you have a physical or medical condition that seriously <u>interferes with your independence</u> , participation in the community, or quality of life?	lim_physcond														Q64	Q50	Q48	Q53	Q79	Q79	Q81	Q80	Q78	Q78	Q70	Q70	Q69
In the <u>last 6 months</u> , did Medicare provide all the <u>help, equipment, and services</u> you thought you needed to help you have a good quality of life?		provide																					Q79	Q71	Q71	Q70	
During the <u>past 4 weeks</u> , have you <u>accomplished less</u> than you would like as a result of your physical health?	lim_acomls																	Q35									
During the <u>past 4 weeks</u> , were you limited in the <u>kind</u> of work or other regular daily activities you did as a result of your physical health?	lim_regact																	Q36									
During the <u>past 4 weeks</u> , have you <u>accomplished less</u> than you would like as a result of any emotional problems, such as feeling depressed or anxious?	lim_acomlsem																	Q37									
During the <u>past 4 weeks</u> , did you do work or other regular daily activities <u>less carefully</u> than usual as a result of any emotional problems, such feeling depressed or anxious?	lim_regactem																	Q38									
During the <u>past 4 weeks</u> , how much did <u>pain</u> interfere with your normal work, including both work outside the home and housework?	lim_painint																	Q39									
How much of the time, during the <u>past 4 weeks</u> , have you felt calm and peaceful?	sf_calm																	Q40									
How much of the time, during the <u>past 4 weeks</u> , did you have a lot of energy?	sf_energy																	Q41									
How much of the time, during the <u>past 4 weeks</u> , have you felt downhearted and blue?	sf_downblue																	Q42									
During the <u>past 4 weeks</u> , how much of the time has your <u>physical health or emotional problems</u> interfered with your social activities (like visiting with friends, relatives, etc.)?	lim_socacts																	Q43									

