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Indicators	Percent of children meeting indicator		Key differences to consider when comparing results across survey years
	2003 NSCH	2007 NSCH	
Health Status			
Overall Child Health Status, excellent/ very good	84.1% 95% CI: 83.6-84.5	84.4% 95% CI: 83.7-85.0	 No changes; same as 2003
Overall Oral Health Status, excellent/ very good	68.5% 95% CI: 67.9-69.0	70.7% 95% CI: 69.9-71.5	 Placement of the question changed in the 2007 survey
Injury, age 0-5	9.4% 95% CI: 8.9-9.9	10.4% 95% CI: 9.5-11.3	 No changes; same as 2003
Breastfed ever, age 0-5	72.3% 95% CI: 71.5-73.2	75.5% 95% CI: 74.3-76.7	 No changes; same as 2003
Risk of developmental or behavioral problem, age 4 mos-5 yrs only	24.5% 95% CI: 23.6-25.4	26.4% 95% CI: 25.0-27.8	 No changes; same as 2003
Positive Social Skills, age 6-17	92.7% 95% CI: 92.3-93.0	93.6% 95% CI: 93.2-94.1	 No changes; same as 2003
Missed 11 or more School Days, age 6-17	5.2% 95% CI: 4.9-5.5	5.8% 95% CI: 5.3-6.3	 No changes; same as 2003
Health Care			
Current Health Insurance	91.2% 95% CI: 90.9-91.6	90.9% 95% CI: 90.4-91.4	 No changes; same as 2003
Insurance Coverage Consistency, lacking coverage	14.9% 95% CI: 14.5-15.4	15.1% 95% CI: 14.4-15.8	 No changes; same as 2003
Preventive Health Care	77.8% 95% CI: 77.3-78.2	88.5% 95% CI: 88.0-89.0	 No changes; same as 2003
Preventive Dental Care	74.8% 95% CI: 77.6-79.1	78.4% 95% CI: 77.6-79.1	 Questions were simplified in the 2007 survey into one question asking whether or not child had a preventive dental visit
Developmental Screening, age 10 mos-5 yrs	N/A	19.5% 95% CI: 18.3-20.8	 New indicator in 2007
Mental Health Care, age 2-17	58.7% 95% CI: 56.5-61.0	60.0% 95% CI: 57.1-63.0	 Changes were made to the introduction, wording, and denominator for this question in the 2007 survey
Medical Home	46.1% 95% CI: 45.6-46.7	57.5% 95% CI: 56.7-58.4	 Measurement of criteria and actual measurement of medical home were modified in this survey to align with the 2005/06 NS-CSHCN measurement












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School and Activities			
School Engagement, Usually/Always, age 6-17	N/A	80.5% 95% CI: 79.6-81.3	 New indicator in 2007
Repeating a Grade, age 6-17	11.3% 95% CI: 10.8-11.7	10.6% 95% CI: 9.9-11.2	 No changes; same as 2003
Activities Outside of School, age 6-17	81.0% 95% CI: 80.4-81.6	80.7% 95% CI: 79.8-81.5	 No changes; same as 2003
Screen time, more than 1 hour per day, age 1-5	N/A	54.4% 95% CI: 52.7-56.0	 New indicator in 2007 survey for this age group
The Child's Family			
Reading to Young Children Every day, age 0-5	47.8% 95% CI: 46.9-48.8	47.8% 95% CI: 46.4-49.3	 No changes; same as 2003
Sing/Tell Stories to Young Children, age 0-5	N/A	59.1% 95% CI: 57.6-60.6	 New indicator in 2007
Attending Religious Services, Once a week or more	55.7% 95% CI: 55.1-56.2	53.7% 95% CI: 52.8-54.5	 No changes; same as 2003
Maternal Health Status, excellent/ very good	58.9% 95% CI: 58.3-59.5	56.9% 95% CI: 56.0-57.8	 No changes; same as 2003
Paternal Health Status, excellent/very good	66.2% 95% CI: 65.6-66.8	62.7% 95% CI: 61.8-63.7	 No changes; same as 2003
Someone in Child's Household Smokes	29.5% 95% CI: 29.0-30.0	26.2% 95% CI: 25.4-26.9	 No changes; same as 2003
Child Care Issues, age 0-5	33.2% 95% CI: 32.3-34.1	30.7% 95% CI: 29.3-32.0	 Question added to the 2007 survey to ask those who hadn't used child care if they needed child care services in the past month





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The Child & Family's Neighborhood			
Neighborhoods Amenities	N/A	48.2% 95% CI: 47.3-49.0	 New indicator in 2007
Neighborhoods Conditions	N/A	14.6% 95% CI: 14.0-15.2	 New indicator in 2007
Supportive Neighborhoods	81.4% 95% CI: 80.9-81.8	83.2% 95% CI: 82.6-83.9	 No changes; same as 2003
Safety of Child in Neighborhood	83.8% 95% CI: 83.3-84.2	86.1% 95% CI: 85.4-86.7	 No changes; same as 2003