

# Early Childhood Longitudinal Study Birth Cohort (ECLS-B) Baseline (9 month)

## Family Structure

### Measures Snapshot

Questions	Responses	Respondents	Documentation	Question Name
Parent Interview				
Is [BIRTH CERTIFICATE MOTHER] the parent respondent?	Yes No	All respondents	IN-Introduction	IN005
BEFORE WE BEGIN, I NEED TO VERIFY SOME INFORMATION ABOUT (YOU AND ABOUT) [CHILD] (AND [TWIN]). I ALSO HAVE A FEW QUESTIONS ABOUT (THE/YOU AND THE) OTHER PEOPLE LIVING HERE.	*	All respondents	IN-Introduction	IN022PRE
CODE IF OBVIOUS. OTHERWISE, ASK: Are you male or female?	Male Female	All respondents	IN-Introduction	IN034
What is your relationship to [CHILD] (and [TWIN])?	Mother/female guardian Father/male guardian Sister Brother Girlfriend or partner of child's parent/guardian Boyfriend or partner of child's parent/guardian Grandmother Grandfather Aunt Uncle Cousin Other relative Other non-relative	All respondents	IN-Introduction	IN035
Are you [CHILD] (and [TWIN])'s...	Birth mother/father Adoptive mother/father Stepmother/father Foster mother/father or female/male guardian	Parents/guardians	IN-Introduction	IN040 IN045
Are you [CHILD] (and [TWIN])'s...	Full sister/brother Half sister/brother Stepsister/brother Adoptive sister/brother Foster sister/brother	Siblings	IN-Introduction	IN050 IN055
CODE NON-RELATIVE RELATIONSHIP BELOW IF MORE DESCRIPTIVE.	Girlfriend or partner of child's parent/guardian Boyfriend or partner of child's parent/guardian Female guardian Male guardian Daughter/son of child's parent's partner Other relative of child's parent's partner Other non-relative	Other non-relatives	IN-Introduction	IN060

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NOW WE HAVE A FEW QUESTIONS ABOUT YOU AND YOUR HOUSEHOLD.	*	All respondents	FS-Family Structure	FS002PRE
We have listed that you and [CHILD] (and [TWIN]) (and [CHILD]'s mother/and the twins' mother) currently live in this household. Please tell me the names and ages of all the other people who normally live here. Please do not include anyone staying here temporarily who usually lives somewhere else.	*	All respondents	FS-Family Structure	FS002PRE
Please tell me the names and ages of all the other people who normally live here. Please do not include anyone staying here temporarily who usually lives somewhere else. PROBE: Anyone else (living in this household)?	*	All respondents	FS-Family Structure	FS005
CODE IF OBVIOUS. OTHERWISE, ASK: Is [NAME] male or female?	Male Female	All respondents	FS-Family Structure	FS020
Have we missed anyone who usually lives here who is temporarily away from home or living in a dorm at school, or any babies or small children?	Yes No	All respondents	FS-Family Structure	FS025
Do you have a spouse or partner who lives in this household?	Yes No	Respondents who live with [CHILD] (and TWIN) and at least one other person	FS-Family Structure	S030
DISPLAY INSTRUCTIONS: Display household members 14 years or older who are not the respondent as response category choices. If age is missing treat as 14 years or older. Who in the household is your spouse or partner?	*	Respondents who live with [CHILD] (and TWIN) and at least one other person	FS-Family Structure	FS035
What is [NAME]'s relationship to [CHILD] (and [TWIN])?	Mother/female guardian Father/male guardian Sister Brother Girlfriend or partner of child's parent/guardian Boyfriend or partner of child's parent/guardian Grandmother Grandfather Aunt Uncle Cousin Other relative Other non-relative	Respondents who live with [CHILD] (and TWIN) and at least one other person	FS-Family Structure	FS040
Is [NAME] [CHILD] (and [TWIN])'s...	Birth mother/father Adoptive mother/father Stepmother/father Foster mother/father or female/male guardian	Respondents who live with [CHILD] (and TWIN) and at least one other parent/guardian	FS-Family Structure	FS045 FS050

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Is [NAME] [CHILD] (and [TWIN])'s.	Full sister/brother Half sister/brother Stepsister/brother Adoptive sister/brother Foster sister/brother	Respondents who live with [CHILD] (and TWIN) and at least one other sibling	FS-Family Structure	FS055 FS060
CODE NON-RELATIVE RELATIONSHIP BELOW IF MORE DESCRIPTIVE.	Girlfriend or partner of child's parent/guardian Boyfriend or partner of child's parent/guardian Female guardian Male guardian Daughter/son of child's parent's partner Other relative of child's parent's partner Other non-relative	Respondents who live with [CHILD] (and TWIN) and at least one other non-relative	FS-Family Structure	FS065
I have recorded that [CHILD] (and [TWIN])'s biological father is not living in this household. Is that correct?	Yes No	No birth father listed and respondent is not birth father	FS-Family Structure	FS070
Next are a few questions about your marital history. Are you now...	Married Separated Divorced Widowed, or Have you never been married?	All respondents	MH-Marital History and Partner Relationship	MH005
How many times have you been married?	<i>Enter number of times</i>	Ever married respondents	MH-Marital History and Partner Relationship	MH010
In what <i>month</i> and year did you first start living with ([SPOUSE]/[PARTNER])?	January February March . . . December	Respondents living with spouse/partner	MH-Marital History and Partner Relationship	MH015
In what month and <i>year</i> did you first start living with ([SPOUSE]/[PARTNER])?	<i>Enter year</i>	Respondents living with spouse/partner	MH-Marital History and Partner Relationship	MH017
In what <i>month</i> and year did you marry ([SPOUSE]/[PARTNER])?	January February March . . . December	Currently married respondents	MH-Marital History and Partner Relationship	MH020
In what month and <i>year</i> did you marry ([SPOUSE]/[PARTNER])?	<i>Enter year</i>	Currently married respondents	MH-Marital History and Partner Relationship	MH022

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Were you ever married to [CHILD (and [TWIN])]'s biological (father/mother)?	Yes No	Ever married bio parents who either: have no spouse/partner in household OR person flagged as spouse/partner is NOT the bio parent	MH-Marital History and Partner Relationship	MH025
In what <i>month</i> and year did you marry [CHILD (and [TWIN])]'s biological (father/mother)?	January February March . . . December			MH030
In what month and <i>year</i> did you marry [CHILD (and [TWIN])]'s biological (father/mother)?	<i>Enter year</i>			MH032
(Before you got married, did/Did) you ever live together with [CHILD] (and [TWIN])'s biological (father/mother) in a marriage-like relationship?	Yes No	Bio parents who either: have no spouse/partner in household OR person flagged as spouse/partner is NOT the bio parent	MH-Marital History and Partner Relationship	MH035
In what <i>month</i> and year did you start living together with [CHILD] (and [TWIN])'s biological (father/mother)?	January February March . . . December			MH040
In what month and <i>year</i> did you start living together with [CHILD] (and [TWIN])'s biological (father/mother)?	<i>Enter year</i>			MH042
Was your marriage to [CHILD] (and [TWIN])'s biological (father/mother) ended by...	Death Divorce Separation Annulment	Bio parents who either: have no spouse/partner in household OR person flagged as spouse/partner is NOT the bio parent AND marriage to CHILD's bio parent ended	MH-Marital History and Partner Relationship	MH045
Is [CHILD] (and [TWIN])'s biological father still living?	Yes No	Bio mothers who either: have no spouse/partner in household OR person flagged as spouse/partner is NOT the bio parent AND her marriage to bio father did not end in death, OR she was never married to the bio father	MH-Marital History and Partner Relationship	M050
In what <i>month</i> and year did [CHILD] (and [TWIN])'s biological father pass away?	January February March . . . December	Bio mothers who either: have no spouse/partner in household OR person flagged as spouse/partner is NOT the bio parent AND her marriage to bio father ended in death	MH-Marital History and Partner Relationship	MH055
In what month and <i>year</i> did [CHILD] (and [TWIN])'s biological father pass away?	<i>Enter year</i>			MH057

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In what <i>month</i> and year did you stop living with [CHILD] (and [TWIN])'s biological (father/mother)?	January February March . . December	Bio parents who either: have no spouse/partner in household OR person flagged as spouse/partner is NOT the bio parent AND respondent was ever married to child's bio parent or ever lived with child's bio parent	MH-Marital History and Partner Relationship	MH060
In what month and <i>year</i> did you stop living with [CHILD] (and [TWIN])'s biological (father/mother)?	<i>Enter year</i>			MH062
In what <i>month</i> and year did your marriage to [CHILD] (and [TWIN])'s biological (father/mother) legally end?	January February March . . December	Bio parents who either: have no spouse/partner in household OR person flagged as spouse/partner is NOT the bio parent AND respondent's marriage to child's bio parent ended in divorce or annulment	MH-Marital History and Partner Relationship	MH065
In what month and <i>year</i> did your marriage to [CHILD] (and [TWIN])'s biological (father/mother) legally end?	<i>Enter year</i>			MH066
THE NEXT QUESTIONS ARE ABOUT YOU, INCLUDING QUESTIONS ABOUT YOUR FAMILY WHEN YOU WERE GROWING UP.	*	All respondents	RI-Respondent Information	RI002PRE
Did you live with your biological mother from the time you were born until age 16?	Yes No	All respondents	RI-Respondent Information	RI005
Did you live with your biological mother at <u>any</u> time until age 16?	Yes No	Respondents who had NOT lived with their bio mother continuously from birth-age 16	RI-Respondent Information	RI010
How old were you when you stopped living with your biological mother?	<i>Enter age</i>	Respondents who had lived with their bio mother from birth-age 16 BUT NOT continuously	RI-Respondent Information	RI015
How many years ago did she pass away?	Less than 1 year ago 1 2 . . .	Respondents whose bio mother had died	RI-Respondent Information	RI025
Did you live with your biological father from the time you were born until age 16?	Yes No	All respondents	RI-Respondent Information	RI030
Did you live with your biological father at <u>any</u> time until age 16?	Yes No	Respondents who had NOT lived with their bio father continuously from birth-age 16	RI-Respondent Information	RI035
How old were you when you stopped living with your biological father?	<i>Enter age</i>	Respondents who had lived with their bio father from birth-age 16 BUT NOT continuously	RI-Respondent Information	RI040

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How many years ago did he pass away?	Less than 1 year ago 1 2 . .	Respondents whose bio father had died	RI-Respondent Information	RI050
NEXT, I HAVE SOME QUESTIONS ABOUT ([SPOUSE]/[PARTNER]) INCLUDING QUESTIONS ABOUT (HIS/HER) EDUCATION AND EMPLOYMENT.	*	Respondents with a spouse/partner in the household	SI-Spouse/Partner Information	SI005PRE
Has ([SPOUSE]/[PARTNER]) always lived with you since [CHILD] (and [TWIN]) (was/were) born?	Yes No	Respondents with a spouse/partner in the household	SI-Spouse/Partner Information	SI015
Since [CHILD] (and [TWIN]) (was/were) born, how many months (has/have) (he/she/they) lived with you?	1 2 3 . .	Respondents with a spouse/partner in the household, BUT spouse/ partner has NOT always lived with R since child was born	SI-Spouse/Partner Information	SI020
Did ([SPOUSE]/[PARTNER]) ever sign the application for [CHILD] (and [TWIN])'s birth certificate or sign a statement that legally says he is (his/her/their) father?	Yes No	Bio mothers whose spouse/partner is the child's bio father AND either: R is NOT married to bio father OR marriage occurred after child's birth, OR the date of marriage is don't know or refused	SI-Spouse/Partner Information	SI168
NEXT, I HAVE SOME QUESTIONS ABOUT [CHILD] (AND [TWIN])'S BIOLOGICAL FATHER.	*	Bio mothers, where bio father is not known to be dead and is NOT currently in the household	BF-Non-resident Biological Father	BF005PRE
Has [CHILD] (and [TWIN])'s father ever lived with you since ([CHILD]/they) (was/were) born?	Yes No	Bio mothers, where bio father is not known to be dead, is NOT currently in the household AND the bio mother ever married or lived with bio father	BF-Non-resident Biological Father	BF010
Since [CHILD] (and [TWIN]) (was/were) born, how many months did he live with you?	If less than 1 month, enter 1 2 3 . .	Bio mothers, where bio father is not known to be dead, is NOT currently in the household AND the bio mother ever lived with bio father since the child was born	BF-Non-resident Biological Father	BF020
Did [CHILD] (and [TWIN])'s father ever sign the application for (his/her/their) birth certificate or sign a statement that legally says he is (his/her/their) father?	Yes No	Bio mothers who were NEVER married to bio father OR bio mother ever married bio father and date of marriage was after child was born <i>or missing</i>	BF-Non-resident Biological Father	BF215

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Resident Father Self Administered Questionnaire				
Are you the child's...	Birth father Adoptive father Stepfather Foster father or male guardian Do you have some other relationship to child? <i>Please specify .</i>	All respondents	*	Q1
WE WOULD ALSO LIKE TO LEARN MORE ABOUT HOW OFTEN PARENTS ARE SEPARATED FROM THEIR CHILDREN EITHER OVERNIGHT OR FOR LONGER PERIODS. THIS MAY HAPPEN FOR MANY REASONS. PARENTS MAY TRAVEL FOR JOB-RELATED REASONS OR MIGHT NEED TO TAKE CARE OF FAMILY MATTERS AWAY FROM HOME. IT MAY ALSO HAPPEN BECAUSE THE CHILD IS HOSPITALIZED OR STAYS WITH RELATIVES, SUCH AS GRANDPARENTS, FOR A WHILE.	*	*	*	*
Since your child came home after birth, have there ever been periods of <u>one week or more</u> when you and the child did not live together, either because you were away from home or the child was away from home?	Yes No	All respondents	*	Q8
Since your child was born, how many times have you and the child been separated for <u>one week or more</u> ?	<i>Enter number of times</i>	Fathers who have been separated from their child for at least a week since birth	*	Q9
NOW WE HAVE A FEW QUESTIONS ABOUT THE NUMBER OF MARRIAGES YOU HAVE HAD AND CHILDREN YOU HAVE HAD.	*	*	*	*
How many times, if ever, have you been married?	<i>Enter number of times married (including current marriage)</i>	All respondents	*	Q27
Altogether, how many biological or natural children do you have? <i>Please include the subject child – that is the child selected for this survey.</i>	<i>Enter number of children</i>	All respondents	*	Q28
Do you have any biological or natural children who live outside your household?	Yes No	All respondents	*	Q28
How many of your biological or natural children live outside of your household?	<i>Enter number of children living outside your household</i>	Fathers with children living outside his household	*	Q20
NEXT WE HAVE SOME QUESTIONS ABOUT WHO YOU LIVED WITH WHILE YOU WERE GROWING UP.	*	*	*	*
Did you live with your biological mother from the time you were born until age 16?	Yes No	All respondents	*	Q74

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Did you live with your biological mother at <u>any</u> time until age 16?	Yes No	Respondents who did NOT live continuously with their biological mother from birth-age 16	*	Q75
How old were you when you stopped living with your biological mother?	<i>Enter age</i>	Respondents who had lived with their bio mother from birth-age 16 BUT NOT continuously	*	Q76
Did you live with your biological father from the time you were born until age 16?	Yes No	All respondents	*	Q77
Did you live with your biological father at <u>any</u> time until age 16?	Yes No	Respondents who did NOT live continuously with their biological father from birth-age 16	*	Q78
How old were you when you stopped living with your biological father?	<i>Enter age</i>	Respondents who had lived with their bio father from birth-age 16 BUT NOT continuously	*	Q79

### Nonresident Father Self Questionnaire

NOW, WE HAVE SOME QUESTIONS ABOUT THINGS YOU MAY DO FOR YOUR CHILD OR FOR YOUR CHILD'S HOUSEHOLD. WE ALSO HAVE SOME QUESTIONS ABOUT OTHER CHILDREN YOU MAY HAVE.	*	*	*	*
Altogether, how many biological or natural children do you have? <i>Please include the subject child – that is the child selected for this survey.</i>	<i>Enter number of children</i>	All respondents	*	Q16

*\* Unlike previous Measures Snapshots, valid cases/unweighted frequencies for these data are not provided because the data are restricted.*

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