

College of Public Health and Human Sciences

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This survey is aimed at measuring how connected you are with older adults (about 65+).

You will respond to the same series of questions two times, once while thinking about older adults **who are NOT in your family** and once while thinking about older adults **who ARE in your family**.

[Non-Familial]

The first part of the survey asks about your interactions with older adults (about 65+) **who are NOT in your family**.

(1) In the past year, in what settings do you interact with older adults (about 65+) **who are not in your family**? Please check all that apply.

- Your job
- School
- Religious settings
- Recreation (gym, parks)
- Community settings (restaurants, libraries, retail)
- Neighborhood
- Home or other residential settings
- Health care facilities (nursing homes, hospitals)
- Volunteering
- Electronically (phone, text, email)
- Social media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram)
- Other (please list): _____
- I did not interact with older adults (about 65+) who are not in my family

If you selected "I did not interact with older adults (about 65+) who are not in my family" to Question #1, please skip to Question #12.

(2) In the past year, how often do you interact with older adults (about 65+) **who are not in your family**? Please check only one response.

- Once a year
- A few times a year
- Once a month
- A few times a month
- Once a week
- A few times a week
- Every day

Below are three categories of interactions you may have with other people - brief, casual, and meaningful. For each type of interaction, please indicate how often you interacted with older adults (about 65+) **who are NOT in your family** in the past year. For each type of interaction, please check only **one** response.

(3) Brief, in-passing interactions such as those you would have with a service or retail provider	(4) Casual interactions with an acquaintance or someone you know but would not necessarily consider a friend	(5) Meaningful interactions such as those you would have with someone you consider a friend
<input type="checkbox"/> Never <input type="checkbox"/> Once a year <input type="checkbox"/> A few times a year <input type="checkbox"/> Once a month <input type="checkbox"/> A few times a month <input type="checkbox"/> Once a week <input type="checkbox"/> A few times a week <input type="checkbox"/> Every day	<input type="checkbox"/> Never <input type="checkbox"/> Once a year <input type="checkbox"/> A few times a year <input type="checkbox"/> Once a month <input type="checkbox"/> A few times a month <input type="checkbox"/> Once a week <input type="checkbox"/> A few times a week <input type="checkbox"/> Every day	<input type="checkbox"/> Never <input type="checkbox"/> Once a year <input type="checkbox"/> A few times a year <input type="checkbox"/> Once a month <input type="checkbox"/> A few times a month <input type="checkbox"/> Once a week <input type="checkbox"/> A few times a week <input type="checkbox"/> Every day

Thinking of your time spent with older adults (about 65+) **who are NOT in your family**, please indicate how much you agree or disagree with each of the following statements. For each statement, please check only one response.

(6) I have close relationships with older adults (about 65+) **who are not in my family**.

- Strongly disagree
- Disagree
- Somewhat disagree
- Neither agree nor disagree
- Somewhat agree
- Agree
- Strongly agree

(7) My interactions with older adults (about 65+) **who are not in my family** tend to be demanding.

- Strongly disagree
- Disagree
- Somewhat disagree
- Neither agree nor disagree
- Somewhat agree
- Agree
- Strongly agree

(8) Older adults (about 65+) **who are not in my family** tend to enjoy my company.

- Strongly disagree
- Disagree
- Somewhat disagree
- Neither agree nor disagree
- Somewhat agree
- Agree
- Strongly agree

(9) I tend to enjoy the company of older adults (about 65+) **who are not in my family.**

- Strongly disagree
- Disagree
- Somewhat disagree
- Neither agree nor disagree
- Somewhat agree
- Agree
- Strongly agree

(10) I feel stressed when interacting with older adults (about 65+) **who are not in my family.**

- Strongly disagree
- Disagree
- Somewhat disagree
- Neither agree nor disagree
- Somewhat agree
- Agree
- Strongly agree

(11) I benefit from interacting with older adults (about 65+) **who are not in my family.**

- Strongly disagree
- Disagree
- Somewhat disagree
- Neither agree nor disagree
- Somewhat agree
- Agree
- Strongly agree

(12) I interact with older adults (about 65+) **who are not in my family** out of obligation.

- Strongly disagree
- Disagree
- Somewhat disagree
- Neither agree nor disagree
- Somewhat agree
- Agree
- Strongly agree

(13) I have something to offer older adults (about 65+) **who are not in my family**.

- Strongly disagree
- Disagree
- Somewhat disagree
- Neither agree nor disagree
- Somewhat agree
- Agree
- Strongly agree

(14) My interactions with older adults (about 65+) **who are not in my family** are awkward.

- Strongly disagree
- Disagree
- Somewhat disagree
- Neither agree nor disagree
- Somewhat agree
- Agree
- Strongly agree

(15) For the following statement, please fill in the blank by selecting one response. I would prefer:

- More interaction with older adults (about 65+) **who are not in my family**.
- The same amount of interaction I have with older adults (about 65+) **who are not in my family**
- Less interaction with older adults (about 65+) **who are not in my family**.

[Familial]

The next part of this survey asks about older adults (about 65+) who ARE IN your family.

(16) In what settings do you interact with older adults (about 65+) **who ARE IN your family**? Please check all that apply.

- Your job
- School
- Religious settings
- Recreation (gym, parks)
- Community settings (restaurants, libraries, retail)
- Neighborhood
- Home or other residential settings
- Health care facilities (nursing homes, hospitals)
- Volunteering
- Electronically (phone, text, email)
- Social media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram)
- Other (please list): _____
- I did not interact with older adults (about 65+) who are in my family

If you selected “I did not interact with older adults (about 65+) who are in my family” to Question #14, please skip to Question #16.

(17) How often do you interact with older adults (about 65+) **who are in your family**? Please check only one response.

- Never
- Once a year
- A few times a year
- Once a month
- A few times a month
- Once a week
- A few times a week
- Every day

Thinking of your time spent with older adults (about 65+) **who ARE IN your family**, please indicate how much you agree or disagree with each of the following statements. For each statement, please check only one response.

(18) I have close relationships with older adults (about 65+) **who are in my family**.

- Strongly disagree
- Disagree
- Somewhat disagree
- Neither agree nor disagree
- Somewhat agree
- Agree
- Strongly agree

(19) My interactions with older adults (about 65+) **who are in my family** tend to be demanding.

- Strongly disagree
- Disagree
- Somewhat disagree
- Neither agree nor disagree
- Somewhat agree
- Agree
- Strongly agree

(20) Older adults (about 65+) **who are in my family** tend to enjoy my company.

- Strongly disagree
- Disagree
- Somewhat disagree
- Neither agree nor disagree
- Somewhat agree
- Agree
- Strongly agree

(21) I tend to enjoy the company of older adults (about 65+) **who are in my family.**

- Strongly disagree
- Disagree
- Somewhat disagree
- Neither agree nor disagree
- Somewhat agree
- Agree
- Strongly agree

(22) I feel stressed when interacting with older adults (about 65+) **who are in my family.**

- Strongly disagree
- Disagree
- Somewhat disagree
- Neither agree nor disagree
- Somewhat agree
- Agree
- Strongly agree

(23) I benefit from interacting with older adults (about 65+) **who are in my family.**

- Strongly disagree
- Disagree
- Somewhat disagree
- Neither agree nor disagree
- Somewhat agree
- Agree
- Strongly agree

(24) I interact with older adults (about 65+) **who are in my family** out of obligation.

- Strongly disagree
- Disagree
- Somewhat disagree
- Neither agree nor disagree
- Somewhat agree
- Agree
- Strongly agree

(25) I have something to offer older adults (about 65+) **who are in my family**.

- Strongly disagree
- Disagree
- Somewhat disagree
- Neither agree nor disagree
- Somewhat agree
- Agree
- Strongly agree

(26) My interactions with older adults (about 65+) **who are in my family** are awkward.

- Strongly disagree
- Disagree
- Somewhat disagree
- Neither agree nor disagree
- Somewhat agree
- Agree
- Strongly agree

(27) For the following statement, please fill in the blank by selecting one response. I would prefer:

- More interaction with older adults (about 65+) **who are in my family**.
- The same amount of interaction I have with older adults (about 65+) **who are in my family**.
- Less interaction with older adults (about 65+) **who are in my family**.

(28) How old are you (in years)? _____

(29) What is your current gender identity?

- Male
- Female
- Trans male/Trans man
- Trans female/Trans woman
- Gender queer/Gender non-conforming
- Different identity (please specify): _____

(30) Are you Hispanic/Latino/Spanish?

- Yes
- No

(30a) If yes, please specify:

- Mexican, Mexican American, Chicano
- Puerto Rican
- Cuban
- Other Hispanic/Latino/Spanish group

(31) Which of the following best describes your race?

- Caucasian
- African American
- Asian American
- American Indian/Alaskan Native
- Other (please specify): _____

(32) What is your marital status?

- Currently married/partnered
- Currently single: divorced or separated
- Currently single: never married/partnered
- Currently single: widowed

(33) What was the last year of school you completed?

- Graduate degree
- 4-year college degree (Bachelors)
- 2-year college degree (Associates)
- Partial college (degree not completed)
- High school graduate
- Completed 8th grade
- Other (please specify): _____

(34) What is your current employment status?

- Retired
- Homemaker
- Employed full-time
- Employed part-time
- Unemployed

(35) Including yourself, how many people live in your household? _____

(36) Who lives in your household? Check all that apply.

- Spouse/partner
- Child (biological, adopted, step)
- Grandchild (biological, adopted, step)
- Parent or parent-in-law
- Grandparent
- Sibling
- Aunt or uncle
- Niece or nephew
- Friend
- Renter

(37) In general, would you say your health is excellent, good, fair, or poor?

- Excellent
- Good
- Fair
- Poor

You have reached the end of the survey. Thank you!