

AUDIOMETRY – AUQ
Target Group: SPs 1+

AUQ.054 These next questions are about {your/SP's} hearing.

Which statement best describes {your/SP's} hearing (without a hearing aid, personal sound amplifier, or other listening devices)? Would you say {your/his/her/SP's} hearing is excellent, good, that {you have/s/he/SP has} a little trouble, moderate trouble, a lot of trouble, or {are you/is s/he/SP} deaf?

EXCELLENT.....	1
GOOD.....	2
A LITTLE TROUBLE.....	3
MODERATE HEARING TROUBLE	4
A LOT OF TROUBLE	5
DEAF	6
REFUSED	77
DON'T KNOW	99

HELP SCREEN:

Deaf: Deaf means that you can't hear in both ears without the use of hearing aids or other devices to help you hear. If you can hear in one ear, you are not deaf.

Hearing Aid: A small electronic device that amplifies the sounds you hear. It is worn in or behind the ear to help you hear.

Personal Sound Amplifier: A wearable electronic product that is intended to amplify sounds for people with normal hearing who need a little "boost" in some situations. They are sold direct to the consumer over-the-counter or online, and are not customized for individuals' hearing loss. Although not designed for people with hearing loss, they are frequently used by hearing impaired individuals as a low-cost alternative to hearing aids.

Other Listening Devices: Other listening devices are any device you use to help you hear. They are also called assistive listening devices. These are:

- A pocket talker
- An amplified telephone
- An amplified or vibrating alarm clock
- A light signaler for your doorbell
- A TV headset
- Closed-captioned TV
- TTY (teletypewriter)
- TDD (telecommunications device for the deaf)
- A telephone relay service
- A video relay service
- A sign language interpreter

BOX 2A

CHECK ITEM AUQ.395:
IF AUQ.054 = {3, 4, 5 OR 6} CONTINUE.
OTHERWISE, GO TO BOX 2B.

AUQ.410 Please look at card AUQ1. What are the main causes of {your/SP's} hearing loss?

INTERVIEWER INSTRUCTION: CODE ALL THAT APPLY

HAND CARD AUQ1

- GENETIC/HEREDITARY CAUSES 1
- EAR INFECTIONS (INCLUDING FLUID IN EARS)..... 2
- EAR DISEASES (OTOSCLEROSIS, MENIERES, TUMOR)..... 3
- ILLNESS/INFECTIONS (MEASLES, MENINGITIS, MUMPS)..... 4
- DRUGS/MEDICATIONS..... 5
- HEAD OR NECK INJURY/TRAUMA 6
- LOUD BRIEF EXPLOSIVE NOISE/SOUNDS..... 7
- NOISE EXPOSURE, LONG-TERM (MACHINERY, ETC.)..... 8
- AGING, GETTING OLDER..... 9
- OTHER CAUSES 10
- SPECIFY: _____
- REFUSED 77
- DON'T KNOW 99

BOX 2B

CHECK ITEM AUQ.413:
IF AGE ≥ 20 CONTINUE.
OTHERWISE, GO TO END OF SECTION.

AUQ.144 A hearing test by a specialist is one that is done in a sound proof booth or room, or with headphones. Hearing specialists include audiologists, ear nose and throat doctors, and trained technicians or occupational nurses. When was the last time {you/SP} had {your/his/her/SP's} hearing tested by a hearing specialist?

READ CATEGORIES IF NECESSARY

- LESS THAN A YEAR AGO..... 1
- 1 YEAR TO 4 YEARS AGO 2
- 5 TO 9 YEARS AGO..... 3
- TEN OR MORE YEARS AGO 4
- NEVER 5
- REFUSED 7
- DON'T KNOW 9

AUQ.101 How often {do you/does SP} have difficulty hearing and understanding if there is background noise, for example, when other people are talking, TV or radio is on, or children are playing? Would you say...

- Always, 1
- Usually, 2
- About half the time, 3
- Seldom, or 4
- Never? 5
- REFUSED 7
- DON'T KNOW 9