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Mountain State Assessment of Trends in Community Health

## 2021 Mountain State Assessment of Trends in Community Health (MATCH)

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### What is MATCH?

A state-wide survey designed to understand the health and well-being challenges facing West Virginians and identify the resources West Virginia (WV) communities need to improve the health of our people.

The survey asks questions on health status and behaviors, health care access, substance use, mental health, social determinants of health, and COVID-19, collecting information that is representative of every county in WV.

### Motivation for MATCH

Local-level information regarding the mental and behavioral health of WV adults was needed to better direct state health resources and assess health program impact.

### MATCH Participants

WV residents 18 years of age and older, noninstitutionalized, and not living in group housing (e.g., nursing homes, residential living facilities).

Participants were selected at random.

Of the 88,004 adult West Virginians selected to participate, 16,185 (20%) completed the survey.

The statistically weighted results are representative of all WV adults.



## Data Collection

The inaugural MATCH survey was administered between August 2021 and February 2022.

Data collection will occur every two years, with the second collection starting in summer 2023.



## Results

MATCH survey results will be publicly available May 2023 through a web query tool located on the [WVMATCHsurvey.org](https://wvmatchsurvey.org) website, an online dashboard that highlights key findings, and a report with complete results.

Data collected from the survey will be analyzed to produce prevalence estimates at the state, sub-region, and county level, and by select demographic characteristics.



## Protecting Participant Information

Information submitted to MATCH is confidential, and the results do not identify respondents.

Whether a person participates in the survey and their responses to the survey do not affect current or future benefits.



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### For more information:

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**Notes about MATCH:** Between August 2021 and February 2022, the MATCH survey was administered by WVU Health Affairs Institute and WV Department of Health and Human Resources to 88,004 adults across all WV counties, and 20% (16,185) responded. The preliminary results have been weighted and are representative of all WV adults. For more information, visit [WVMATCHSurvey.org](https://wvmatchsurvey.org).