

Eligibility criteria

Participants in the Florida Dental Care Study met these criteria as of their screening interview in 1993:

- had at least one natural tooth;
- lived in either Duval, Hamilton, Jefferson, or Madison counties;
- if lived in Duval county, lived in one of 21 specific ZIP codes;
- had a telephone in their household;
- 45 years old or older;
- did not live in an institutional setting such as a nursing home, military installation, or correctional facility;
- English-speaking;
- either non-Hispanic Black or non-Hispanic White;
- capable of engaging in a coherent telephone conversation.