



Prevalence and profile of headache in school-going adolescents aged 10 – 19 years in Benin City: a cross sectional survey

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Student Headache Assessment Questionnaire

Section 1: Demographic Information

1.1. Age (years)

1.2. Gender:

Male []

Female []

1.3. School: Junior secondary [] Senior secondary []

Section 2: Headache Profile

2.1. Have you experienced headache in the last 12 months

Yes []

No []

2.2. How often have you experienced headaches in the last 1 year? (Please select one)

a. 1–3 days/month []

b. 4–7 days/month []

c. 8–14 days/month []

d. > 15 days/month []

2.3. On average, how long do your headaches typically last?

a. Less than 30 minutes []

b. 30 minutes to 1 hour []

c. 1 to 4 hours []

d. More than 4 hours []



2.4. Can you describe the characteristics of your headaches? (e.g., throbbing, dull, sharp, stabbing)

2.5. Where on your head do you usually feel the pain? (Select all that apply)

- a. Forehead []
- b. One sides (temple) []
- c. Top of the head []
- d. Back of the head []
- e. Both sides []
- f. one-half of head []
- g. Other (please specify)

2.6. Are your headaches associated with nausea and vomiting?

- Yes []
- No []

Section 3: Headache Triggers

3.1. Are there specific factors or activities that trigger your headaches? (Select all that apply)

- a. Stress []
- b. Lack of sleep []
- c. Dehydration []
- d. Skipping meals []
- e. Bright lights []
- f. Loud noises []
- g. Strong smells []
- h. Physical activity []
- i. coffee []
- j. Chocolate []
- k. Other (please specify)

Section 4: Impact on Daily Life

4.1. How do headaches affect your daily activities, such as school, homework, or social interactions?

4.2. Have you ever missed school or other activities due to a headache?
Yes [] No []

Section 5: Coping Mechanisms

5.1. What strategies do you use to cope with or alleviate your headaches? (Select all that apply)

- a. Over-the-counter pain relievers []
- b. Rest or sleep []
- c. Hydration []
- d. Stress reduction techniques (e.g., deep breathing, meditation) []
- e. None []
- f. Other (please specify)

Section 6: Medical History

6.1. Have you ever been diagnosed with a specific type of headache by a healthcare professional?
Yes [] No []

6.2 If yes to question

6.1, what was the diagnosis?
Migraine [] Tension Headache [] others (specify)

6.3. Do any of your family members experience frequent headaches?
Yes [] No []