

Trends in Survey Response Rates

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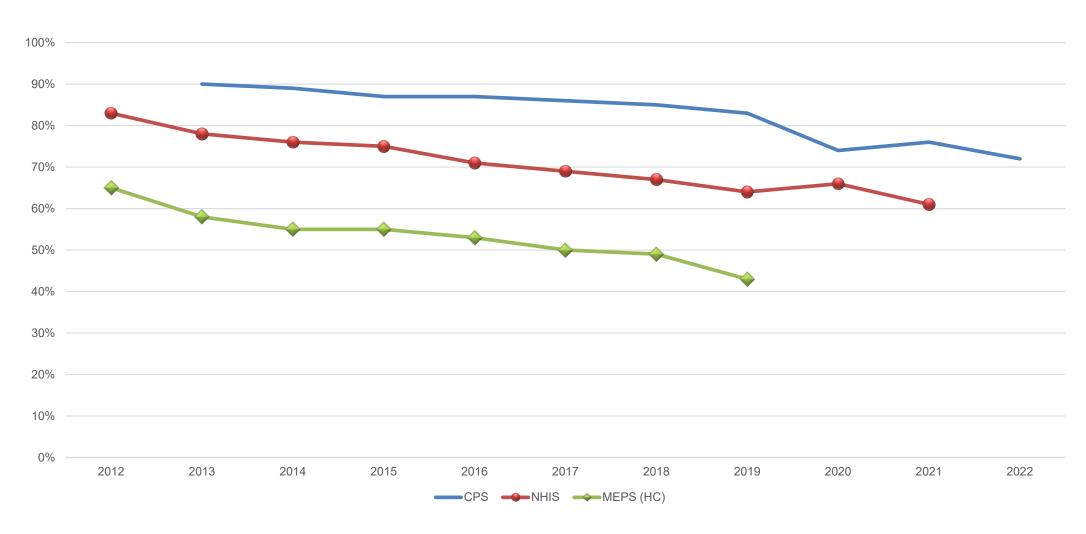
Response Rates Are Declining



- Since 2000, survey response rates in the published literature have decreased by more than 30 points
 - ► Trend occurs across all modes of survey administration
- Greatest effect on public opinion surveys and national household surveys
- Surveys related to health care (including patient surveys) are also affected

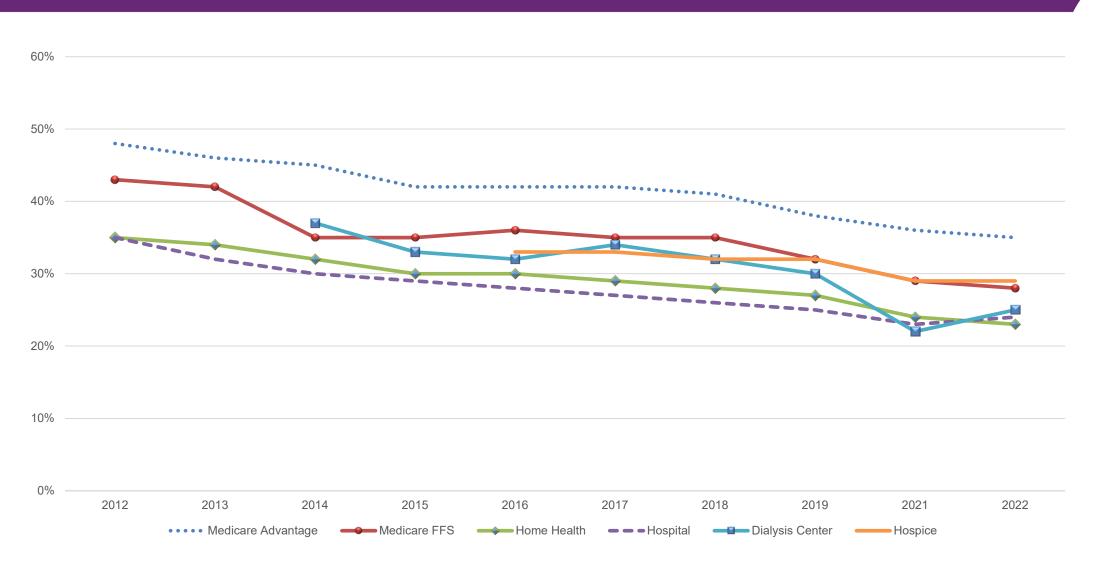
Historic Response Rates: National Surveys





Historic Response Rates: CAHPS Surveys





Challenges to Obtaining High Response Rates



- Contact rates
- Trust in organizations conducting surveys
- Privacy concerns
- Frequency of survey
- Timing of survey
- Survey length
- Clarity of survey questions

Role of Technology In Promoting Survey Response



- Promoting awareness of survey
 - Web pages
 - QR codes
 - Social media
- New methods to contact patients
 - Short message service (SMS)
 - ► Email
 - QR codes
- New modes of survey administration
 - Web
 - ► SMS