

Jaw Joints Awareness and Wellness Survey™

Although the initials "TMJ" stand for the TemporoMandibular Joints, TMJ is now widely used as the abbreviated term for the TMJ Disorder – also called a syndrome, a disease, a condition, a malady, or a dysfunction. It is a potentially debilitating condition that results when the temporomandibular joints, or jaw joints, are prevented from functioning properly. Trauma or any number of problems associated with the chewing muscles, ligaments, tissues, discs, or bones connected to the jaw joints can result in TMJ disorder.

Your health experience is a very important source for understanding how the jaw joints affect not only your mouth, but also your entire body. Please take some time to complete this voluntary survey about your health experience. Answer the following questions about your life and your health. Most questions ask about how you have felt or what you have done during the past four weeks. There are no right or wrong answers to these questions and most can be answered with a simple check (\checkmark) . **Please answer every question.** Your responses are absolutely confidential and will only be used in summary reports by Jaw Joints & Allied Musculo-Skeletal Disorders FoundationTM (JJAMD).*

Please e-mail your completed survey to: TMJoints@aol.com

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Today's Date	е			
	MONTH	DAY	YEAR	
The following info	rmation is optic	nal. Please pri r	nt:	
Name				
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e-Mail Addre	ss			

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Level of Energy

Dι	uring the past four weeks	Always	Very Often	Some- times	Almost Never	Never
1.	How often did you feel well rested when you got up in the morning?					
2.	How often did you feel tired during the day ?					
3.	How often did you feel that you tired easily ?					
4.	How often did you feel too tired to do what you wanted to do?					
Sle	eep					
Dι	uring the past four weeks	Always	Very Often	Some- times	Almost Never	Never
5.	How often have you had trouble falling asleep at night?					
6.	How often have you had trouble staying asleep at night?					
Sc	ocial Activity					
Dι	uring the past four weeks	All Days	Most Days	Some Days	Few Days	Never
7.	How often did you get together with friends or relatives?					
8.	How often did you have friends or relatives over to your home ?					
9.	How often did you visit friends or relatives at their homes ?					
10.	How often were you on the telephone with close friends or relatives?					
11.	How often did you go to a meeting of a club, team, religious or other group?					
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Support from Others

Δ.	wing the poet four weeks		Very	Some-	Almost			
	uring the past four weeks	Always	Often	times	Never	Never		
13.	Did you feel that your family or friends would be around if you needed assistance ?							
14.	Did you feel that your family or friends were sensitive to your personal needs ?							
15.	Did you feel that your family or friends were interested in helping you solve problems ?							
16.	Did you feel that your family or friends understood the effects of your TMJ?							
17.	Did you feel that your <i>health care providers</i> understood the effects of your TMJ ?							
Inc	Independence							
Dι	uring the past four weeks	Always	Very Often	Some- times	Almost Never	Never		
18.	How often did you feel that you were							
	capable of living completely on your own?							
19.	capable of living completely on							
19. 20.	capable of living completely on your own? How often did you have to rely on							
20.	capable of living completely on your own? How often did you have to rely on others for assistance? How often did you feel that you were							
20.	capable of living completely on your own? How often did you have to rely on others for assistance? How often did you feel that you were unable to take care of yourself?	All Days	Most	Some	Few	No Days		
20.	capable of living completely on your own? How often did you have to rely on others for assistance? How often did you feel that you were unable to take care of yourself? essing and Reaching					_		
Dr	capable of living completely on your own? How often did you have to rely on others for assistance? How often did you feel that you were unable to take care of yourself? essing and Reaching uring the past four weeks Could you easily put on or take off					_		

Household Tasks

_	de de carella		Very	Some-	Almost			
Dι	ring the past four weeks	Always	Often	times	Never	Never		
24.	If you had necessary transportation, could you go shopping for groceries without help?							
25.	If you had kitchen facilities, could you prepare your own meals without help?							
26.	If you had household tools and appliances, could you do your own housework without help?							
27.	If you had laundry facilities, could you do your own laundry without help ?							
Se	Self-Care Tasks							
		All	Most	Some	Few	No		
Dι	ring the past four weeks	Days	Days	Days	Days	Days		
28.	Did you need help to take a bath or shower ?							
29.	Did you need help to get dressed?							
30.	Did you need help to use the toilet?							
31.	Did you need help to get in or out of bed?							
Me	edication							
Dι	ring the past four weeks	All Days	Most Days	Some Days	Few Days	No Days		
32.	How often have you taken prescription medication for your TMJ ?							
33.	How often have you taken over-the-counter medication for your TMJ ?							
34.	How often have you taken natural/ herbal remedies for your TMJ ?							

Medication (continued)

Dι	uring the past four weeks	All Days	Most Days	Some Days	Few Days	No Days
35.	How often have you taken prescription medication for any problem other than your TMJ ?					
36.	How often have you taken over-the-counter medication for any problem other than your TMJ?					
37.	How often have you taken natural/ herbal remedies for <u>any problem</u> other than your TMJ ?					
Fe	elings					
DU 38.	uring the past four weeks How often have you felt tense or stressed?	Always	Very Often	Some- times	Almost Never	Never
39.	How often have you been bothered by nervousness or your nerves ?					
40.	How often were you able to relax without difficulty?					
41.	How often have you felt relaxed and free of tension ?					
42.	How often have you felt calm and peaceful?					
43.	How often have you enjoyed the things you do ?					
44.	How often have you been in low or very low spirits ?					
45.	How often did you feel that nothing turned out the way you wanted it to ?					
46.	How often did you feel that others would be better off if you were dead?					
47.	How often did you feel so down in the dumps that nothing would cheer you up?					

TemporoMandibular Joints (TMJ) Pain

D u 48.	ring the past four weeks How would you describe the TMJ pain you usually had?	Severe	Moderate	Mild	Ver Mile	-	one
		All Days	Most Days	Some Days	Fev Day		lo ıys
49.	How often did you have pain from your TMJ ?						
50	How often did your TMJ pain make it difficult for you to sleep ?						
51.	How often did you experience TMJ pain from eating ?						
52.	When did you usually experience the most severe TMJ pain?	Morning	Afternoon	Evening	Whil	e Sleep]	ing
_	TemporoMandibular Joints (TMJ) Dysfunction (for example, chewing and/or swallowing difficulties, limited range of jaw motion, etc.)						
	During the past four weeks	Seve	re Mod e	rate M	ild	Very Mild	None
53.	How would you describe the TMJ dysfunction you usually had?						
		All Day	_		me ays	Few Days	No Days
54.	How often did you have dysfunction from your TMJ ?	ı					
55.	How often did your TMJ dysfunction make it difficult for you to sleep?						
56.	How often did you experience TMJ dysfunction from eating?						
		Morn	ing Aftern	oon Eve	ning	While S	Sleeping
57	When did you usually experience the mos severe TMJ dysfunction ?	st					

Work and TMJ

D υ 58.	uring the past four weeks What has been your main form of work?	Paid Work	Care for Home/ Child	School work	Un- employed	Disabled	Retired
	If you answered 'Unemployed,' 'D	isabled	,' or 'Reti	red' plea	se skip to Q	uestion 65	-
D υ 59.	Tring the past four weeks How often were you unable to do your usual work because of your TMJ?	All Days	Most Days	Some Days	Few Days	No Days	
60.	How often did your employer/coworkers understand the effects of your TMJ?						
61.	On the days that you did your usual work, how often did you have to work a shorter day because of your TMJ?						
62.	On the days that you did your usual work, how often did <i>you</i> have to change the way you usually do your work because of your TMJ?						
63.	On the days that you did your usual work, how often did <i>your employer</i> offer to change the way you usually do your work because of your TMJ?						
64.	On the days that you did your usual work, how often were you unable to concentrate or do your work as carefully and accurately as you like because of your TMJ?						

This question refers to how satisfied you were with each area of your health.

During the past four weeks...

65.	How satisfied have you been with each of these areas of your life?	Very Satisfied	Somewhat Satisfied	Neither	Somewhat Dissatisfied	Very Dissatisfied
a)	Level of Energy (example: tire easily)					
b)	Sleep (example: trouble sleeping)					
c)	Social Activity (example: visit friends)					
d)	Support from others (example: around if needed)					
e)	Independence (example: take care of yourself)					
f)	Dressing and Reaching (example: reach shelves)					
g)	Household Tasks (example: housework)					
h)	Self Care (example: take bath)					
i)	TMJ Pain (example: dull or sharp pain)					
j)	TMJ Dysfunction (example: stiffness)					
k)	Work (example: hours worked)					
l)	Level of Tension (example: feel tense or stressed)					
m)	Mood (example: down in dumps)					

66. Which areas of your life related to health would you **like to improve?**Please check **up to 3 areas** in which you would like to see improvement.

Read all the choices before making your decision.

	Areas of Health C	heck Three for Im	provement
a)	Level of Energy (example: tire easily)		
b)	Sleep (example: trouble sleeping)		
c)	Social Activity (example: visit friends)		
d)	Support from others (example: around if needed)		
e)	Independence (example: take care of yourself)		
f)	Dressing and Reaching (example: reach shelves)		
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l)	Level of Tension (example: felt tense or stressed)		
m)	Mood (example: down in dumps)		

Current/Future Health

		Excellent	Very Good	Good	Fair	Poor
67.	In general, would you say that your health now is:					
68.	How satisfied are you with your health now ?	Very Satisfied	Somewhat Satisfied	Neither	Somewhat Dissatisfied	Very Dissatisfied
69.	How much of your problem with your health now is due to your TMJ ?	All Due to TMJ	Mostly Due to TMJ	Partly Due to TMJ	Little Due to TMJ	No TMJ Problems
70.	How often does TMJ affect your relationships with others ?	Always	Usually	Some- times	Rarely	Never
71.	In general, do you expect your health ten years from now to be:	Excellent	Very Good	Good	Fair	Poor
72.	How big a problem do you expect your TMJ to be 10 years from now?	No Problem	Minor Problem	Moderate Problem	Major Problem	
73.	Considering how your TMJ affects YOU, how well are you doing compared to other people your age?	Very Well	Well	Fair	Poor	Very Poorly

This section of the survey deals with dysfunction that can be associated with TMJ.

74. Please share how you have been affected in the following areas during the past four weeks.

		How often	did you have t	his problem ?		
Problem	All Days	Most Days	Some Days	Few Days	No Days	
Eyes and Face:						
a) Blurred Vision						
b) Light Sensitivity						
c) Distorted Face						
Ears:						
d) Clogging						
e) Ringing/Hissing						
f) Reduced Hearing						
g) Dizziness						
Mouth:						
h) Can't Line Up Teeth						
i) Jerky Opening						
) Limited Opening						
Teeth:						
k) Chewing Problems						
) Clenching (while awake)						
m) Clenching (while asleep)						
n) Grinding (while awake)						
o) Grinding (while asleep)						
Jaw Joints:						
p) Clicking						
q) Grating						
r) Popping						
s) Spasms						
t) Locks Open/Shut						
Throat:						
u) Laryngitis						
v) Swallowing Difficulties						
w) Voice Irregularities						
Neck:						
x) Stiffness/Lack of Mobility						

The next section of the survey deals with the pain that can be associated with TMJ.

75. Please share how **you have been affected by pain in the following areas** during the past four weeks.

_	Part (2)			Part ③					
	How	intens	se was this	s pain?	How of t	t en did you fe	el pain ?		de or sides el this pain?
	No				Always/		•		
Types of Pain Head & Face:	Pain	Mild	Moderate	Severe	Usually	Sometimes	Never	Left	Right
пеац & гасе:									
a) Migraine Type									
b) Sinus Pain									
c) Other Face Pain									
Eyes:									
d) Itch and Burn									
e) Pain Behind Eyes									
Ears:									
f) Ear Ache									
Teeth:									
g) Pain									
Jaw Joints:									
h) Pain in Muscles									
Throat:									
i) Sore									
Neck:									
j) Sore Neck									
k) Throbbing Pain									
Back, Arms, & Legs:									
) Shoulder Ache									
m) Back Pain									
n) Cramps in Legs									
o) Muscle Pain in Arms									
p) Muscle Pain in Legs									

76. Have you ever been **diagnosed** with any of these specific conditions by a **doctor**?

			If 'Yes', approximately	Check box if
Madical Canditions	Voc	Na	which year were you	you still have
Medical Conditions	Yes	NO	diagnosed?	this condition
a) TemporoMandibular Joints (TMJ) Disorder				
b) Allergies				
c) Arthritis and Related Conditions				
i) Osteoarthritis				
ii) Rheumatoid				
iii) Juvenile rheumatoid				
iv) Lupus				
v) Fibromyalgia				
vi) Scleroderma				
vii) Sjögren's Syndrome				
viii) Ankylosing Spondylitis	Ш			
d) Carpal Tunnel Syndrome				
e) Chronic Fatigue Syndrome				
† Depression				
g) Eating Disorder – Anorexia				
h) Eating Disorder – Bulimia				
) Ectodermal Dysplasias (born without teeth)				
) Ehlers-Danlos				
k) Headache – Tension				
) Headache – Migraine-like				
m) Irritable Bowel Syndrome				
n) Myofascial Pain Disorder				
o) Periodic Limb Movement Disorder				
p) Primary Dysmenorrhea				
q) Restless Legs Syndrome				
r) Sleep/Insomnia Disorder				
s) Tinnitus				
† Trigeminal Neuralgia				
u) Ulcers				

Please tell us a little about yourself. Remember your responses will be kept in the strictest confidence.

77.	What is your age at this time?	 Years
78.	What is your gender ?	Male Female
79.	What is your racial background ? (OPTIONAL)	African-American
		Hispanic Native American (American Indian) White Other
80.	What is your current marital status?	Married Widowed Separated Never Married Divorced Unmarried, living with significant other
81.	Other than yourself, how many people live in your household?	Number of adults (18 or older) Number of children (under 18)
82.	What is the highest level of education you completed?	Fewer than 7 years of school Grades 7-9 Grades 10-11 High school graduate 1 to 4 years of college College graduate Professional or graduate school
83.	What is your approximate household income including wages, disability payments, retirement income, and welfare?	Under \$14,999 \$15,000 - \$29,999 \$30,000 - \$44,999 \$45,000 - \$59,999 \$60,000 - \$74,999 \$75,000 - \$89,999 \$90,000 - \$104,999 \$105,000 or more

Please check (X) the most appropriate answer for each question. Please take this opportunity to describe your TMJ experience further.

84.	What type of health care provider diagnosed your TMJ? (<i>Check</i>		Physician (M.D. or D.O.)		General	Dentist		
	all that apply)		Orthodontist		Periodor	ntist		
			Physical Therapist		Chiropr	actor		
			Other:					
85.	What type of health care provider currently treats your TMJ? (Check		Physician (M.D. or D.O.)		General	Dentist		
	all that apply)		Orthodontist		Periodor	ntist		
			Physical Therapist		Chiropr	actor		
			Other:					
	If you do not have TMJ, please and follow the instru		the rest of the question at the bottom of the pa		nis page			
				Was tr	reatment h	elpful?		
86.	What treatments have you tried for yo	ur TMJ	?	Yes	No	Made it Worse		
d)								
e)								
87. What do you think caused your TMJ , such as trauma, implants (in your jaw), surgery, orthodontics, etc. (<i>Please use the back of page if you need more room</i>).								
88.	88. What impact has TMJ had on your life? (<i>Please use the back of page if you need more room</i>)							

Purpose of the Jaw Joints & Allied Musculo-Skeletal Disorders Foundation, Inc. (JJAMD)

- Promotes education at all levels on the importance of healthy jaw joints and their relation to total body health, and the prevention of TMJ disorders
- Fosters patient advocacy and encourages the formation of TMJ self-help groups
- Sponsors and conducts independent research and advocates for basic scientific TMJ research
- Encourages the medical profession to "rejoin the joints to all other joints in the body"
- Believes that TMJ is largely preventable through awareness and education.

JJAMD disseminates helpful, important, and useful patient and professional educational material. The Foundation cannot provide referrals or specific medical/dental advice. The 1996 NIH Technology Assessment conference noted the absence of any universally accepted scientifically proven treatments and concluded that future advances in diagnosis and treatment require collaboration of multidisciplinary fields involving basic and applied science and practice. The conference concluded that "a consensus must be developed regarding the professional expertise needed to diagnose and treat these serious health problems."

Purpose of this Survey

To allow the Jaw Joints & Allied Musculo-Skeletal Disorders Foundation, Inc. (JJAMD), working with professionals, to report publicly a summary information on the signs and symptoms, pain and/or dysfunction people are experiencing that affects their quality of life. In this way, JJAMD hopes to help fill the void of understanding about Temporomandibular Joints in their relationship to the total body health and to bring appropriate attention to TMJ as a medical condition with a dental component. Additionally, it will help to separate out or connect one disease disorder entity from others that might relate or overlap with TMJ. By creating greater awareness and understanding of the jaw joints and TMJ disorder, it should be possible to reduce the needless high cost in money and in human suffering caused by misdiagnosis and ineffective treatments.