



## Irish Health Survey

Dear Householder

You have been selected to participate in the Irish Health Survey (IHS). This important survey has been designed to find out more about the health of people in Ireland.

The enclosed questionnaire asks about your general health, any health conditions you may have and if you have recently been absent from work for illness-related reasons. There are also questions on interactions with health-care professionals and services and we are also interested in more general health-related topics like exercise and diet.

We understand how busy you are and we would not be asking for your time if this was not so important. Not only will this survey provide a comprehensive picture of the health of people across Ireland it will also allow us to compare the health and health-care experiences of Irish people with those from other European countries.

**The survey may be completed on the enclosed paper form or online.**

### Paper Form

The household interviewer will have given you a pack containing this letter, our information leaflet, and the IHS questionnaire with a postage-paid addressed envelope. Please complete the questionnaire and return it to the Central Statistics Office using the enclosed envelope.

### Online

Alternatively, if you wish to complete the survey electronically, then please go to the secure CSO website <https://eforms.cso.ie/public/ihs.htm> and follow the instructions there.

### Further information

If you have any further questions then please call the IHS section at 021 453 5421/5424 or email [IHS@cso.ie](mailto:IHS@cso.ie).

### CONFIDENTIALITY

**All information collected by this survey will be treated as strictly confidential and used for statistical purposes only. Results of the survey will be published in an aggregate format only.**

**Confidentiality is guaranteed by law under the Statistics Act, 1993.**

Yours sincerely

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