



U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION  
INSTITUTE OF EDUCATION SCIENCES

NATIONAL CENTER FOR EDUCATION STATISTICS

Dear Sir or Madam:

Your household has been selected to participate in the **International Survey of Adult Skills-U.S. Survey** being conducted by the **United States Department of Education**. This study will provide information about the education, work experiences, and skills of adults in this country and around the world.

Since we cannot conduct an interview in every household in this country, we use scientific methods to randomly select addresses throughout the United States. Your household has been selected to represent thousands of others similar to yours in the United States.

In the next few weeks, one of our field representatives will visit your home. She or he will show you photo identification issued by the National Center for Education Statistics and ask some short, simple questions about you and other household members to see who qualifies to participate. **The selected person(s) will receive \$50 after completing the study.** Your household participation is entirely voluntary; however, we ask you to give serious consideration to the importance of this study.

The National Center for Education Statistics is authorized to conduct this study under the Education Sciences Reform Act of 2002 (20 U.S.C., § 9543). Under that law, the data provided by you may be used only for statistical purposes and may not be disclosed, or used, in identifiable form for any other purpose except as required by law (20 U.S.C., § 9573). Individuals are never identified in any reports. All reported statistics refer to the United States as a whole or to national subgroups.

If you have additional questions, our field representative will be glad to answer them. You may also call the study's toll free number (1-855-286-9240), or visit the study's website at <http://nces.ed.gov/surveys/isas>.

Thank you very much for your time and consideration. Your participation is a service to our country.

Sincerely,

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Acting Commissioner  
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