



## How to Collect Race and Ethnicity



Step 1. Have the individual identify their ethnicity. (ask: Which ethnicity do you most closely identify with?)

Hispanic or Latino; OR not Hispanic or Latino

Hispanic or Latino defined	A person of Cuban, Mexican, Puerto Rican, South or Central American, or other Spanish Culture or origin regardless of race.
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Step 2. Have the individual identify their race from the following categories. (ask: Which category best describes your race?)

American Indian or Alaskan Native; AND/OR Asian; AND/OR Black or African American; AND/OR Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander; AND/OR White

Race Categories Defined	
<b>American Indian or Alaska Native</b>	A person having origins in any of the original peoples of North and South America (including Central America) and who maintains tribal affiliation or community attachment.
<b>Asian</b>	A person having origins in any of the original peoples of the Far East, Southeast Asia, or the Indian subcontinent, including, for example, Cambodia, China, India, Japan, Korea, Malaysia, Pakistan, the Philippine Islands, Thailand, and Vietnam.
<b>Black or African American</b>	A person having origins in any of the black racial groups of Africa.
<b>Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander</b>	A person having origins in any of the original peoples of Hawaii, Guam, Samoa, or other Pacific Islands.
<b>White</b>	A person having origins in any of the original peoples of Europe, the Middle East, or North Africa.

Additional Resources:

Health Research and Educational Trust Disparities- How to ask the questions:

<http://www.hretdisparities.org/Howt-4176.php>

Responses to difficult answers:

<http://www.hretdisparities.org/uploads/ResponseMatrix.ppt>