



National Poll

on Children's Health

Tweens Home Alone – Survey Questions

Questions were answered by parents age 18 and older with at least one child age 9-12 years old.

Q1. About how long are you comfortable with your tween being home alone?

1. 15 minutes or less
2. Less than one hour
3. 1-2 hours
4. 3-5 hours
5. More than 5 hours

Q2. How often does your tween stay home alone for more than two hours?

1. Every day
2. A few times a week
3. Once a week
4. Once a month
5. Rarely or never

Q3. During the summer, what will your tween do while parent(s) work or are out of the house?

1. Attend summer school
2. Go to organized camps or activities
3. Stay home with babysitter
4. Stay home with older sibling
5. Stay home alone or with younger siblings
6. Not applicable – a parent will always be home

Q4. How confident are you that your tween would do the following if home alone:

	Very confident	Somewhat confident	Not confident
Leave the house immediately if there is a fire			
Go to a safe place during a storm or tornado			
Not play with guns			
Know when to call 9-1-1			

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