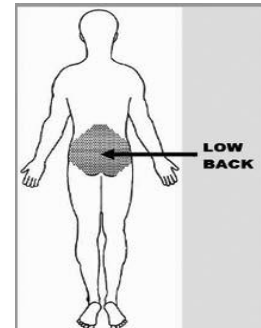


Minimal Dataset
(PROMIS items marked with ¹; STarT Back or nearly identical items marked with ²; RTF Impact Classification items marked with *)



1. How long has low-back pain been an ongoing problem for you?

- ☐ Less than 1 month
- ☐ 1–3 months
- ☐ 3–6 months
- ☐ 6 months–1 year
- ☐ 1–5 years
- ☐ More than 5 years

2. How often has low-back pain been an ongoing problem for you over the past 6 months?

- ☐ Every day or nearly every day in the past 6 months
- ☐ At least half the days in the past 6 months
- ☐ Less than half the days in the past 6 months

3. In the past 7 days, how would you rate your low-back pain on average?*^{1,2}

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|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 |
| No pain | | | | | | | | Worst Imaginable pain | |

4. Has back pain spread down your leg(s) during the past 2 weeks?²

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No
- ☐ Not sure

5. During the past 4 weeks, how much have you been bothered by ...

- | | Not bothered at all | Bothered a little | Bothered a lot |
|--|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| • Stomach pain | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| • Pain in your arms, legs, or joints other than your spine or back | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| • Headaches | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| • Widespread pain or pain in most of your body | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

6. Have you ever had a low-back operation?

- ☐ Yes, one operation
- ☐ Yes, more than one operation
- ☐ No

7. If yes, when was your last back operation?

- ☐ Less than 6 months ago
- ☐ More than 6 months but less than 1 year ago
- ☐ Between 1 and 2 years ago
- ☐ More than 2 years ago

8. Did any of your back operations involve a spinal fusion? (also called an arthrodesis)

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No
- ☐ Not sure

In the past 7 days...	Not at all	A little bit	Somewhat	Quite a bit	Very much
9. How much did pain interfere with your day-to-day activities?*	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
10. How much did pain interfere with work around the home?*	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
11. How much did pain interfere with your ability to participate in social activities?*	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12. How much did pain interfere with your household chores?*	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

13. Have you used any of the following treatments for your back pain? (Check all that apply)

	Yes	No	Not sure
• Opioid painkillers (prescription medications such as Vicodin, Lortab, Norco, hydrocodone, codeine, Tylenol #3 or #4, Fentanyl, Duragesic, MS Contin, Percocet, Tylox, OxyContin, oxycodone, methadone, tramadol, Ultram, Dilaudid)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
If you checked yes, are you currently using this medication?.....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
• Injections (such as epidural steroid injections, facet injections)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
• Exercise therapy	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
• Psychological counseling, such as cognitive-behavioral therapy	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

The next two questions are for people who normally work outside the home.

14. I have been off work or unemployed for 1 month or more due to low-back pain.

- ☐ Agree
- ☐ Disagree
- ☐ Does not apply

15. I receive or have applied for disability or workers' compensation benefits because I am unable to work due to low-back pain.

- ☐ Agree
☐ Disagree
☐ Does not apply

Physical Function	Without any difficulty	With a little difficulty	With some difficulty	With much difficulty	Unable to do
16. Are you able to do chores such as vacuuming or yard work? ^{*1}	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
17. Are you able to go up and down stairs at a normal pace? ^{*1}	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
18. Are you able to go for a walk of at least 15 minutes? ^{*1,2}	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
19. Are you able to run errands and shop? ^{*1}	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
In the past 7 days...	Never	Rarely	Sometimes	Often	Always
20. I felt worthless ¹	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
21. I felt helpless ¹	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
22. I felt depressed ¹	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
23. I felt hopeless ¹	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
In the past 7 days...	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Very good
24. My sleep quality was ¹	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
In the past 7 days...	Not at all	A little bit	Somewhat	Quite a bit	Very much
25. My sleep was refreshing ¹	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
26. I had a problem with my sleep ¹	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
27. I had difficulty falling asleep ¹	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

28. It's not really safe for a person with my back problem to be physically active.²

- ☐ Agree
- ☐ Disagree

29. I feel that *my back pain is terrible and it's never going to get any better.*²

- ☐ Agree
- ☐ Disagree

30. Are you involved in a lawsuit or legal claim related to your back problem?

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No
- ☐ Not sure

In the past year:

	Never	Rarely	Sometimes	Often
31. Have you drunk or used drugs more than you meant to?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
32. Have you felt you wanted or needed to cut down on your drinking or drug use?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

33. Age: _____ years (0–120)

34. Gender:

- ☐ Female
- ☐ Male
- ☐ Unknown
- ☐ Unspecified

35. Ethnicity: (*"X" ONLY one with which you MOST CLOSELY identify*)

- ☐ Hispanic or Latino
- ☐ Not Hispanic or Latino
- ☐ Unknown
- ☐ Not Reported

36. Race: (*"X" those with which you identify*)

- ☐ American Indian or Alaska Native
 - ☐ Asian
 - ☐ Black or African-American
 - ☐ Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander
 - ☐ White
 - ☐ Unknown
 - ☐ Not Reported
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37. Employment Status:

- ☐ Working now
- ☐ Looking for work, unemployed
- ☐ Sick leave or maternity leave
- ☐ Disabled due to back pain, permanently or temporarily
- ☐ Disabled for reasons other than back pain
- ☐ Student
- ☐ Temporarily laid off
- ☐ Retired
- ☐ Keeping house
- ☐ Other, Specify: _____
- ☐ Unknown

38. Education Level: *(select the highest level attained)*

- ☐ No high school diploma
- ☐ High school graduate or GED
- ☐ Some college, no degree
- ☐ Occupational/technical/vocational program
- ☐ Associate degree: academic program
- ☐ Bachelor's degree
- ☐ Master's degree (e.g., M.A., M.S., M.Eng., M.Ed., M.B.A.)
- ☐ Professional school degree (e.g., M.D., D.D.S., D.V.M., J.D.)
- ☐ Doctoral degree (e.g., Ph.D., Ed.D.)
- ☐ Unknown

39. How would you describe your cigarette smoking?

- ☐ Never smoked
- ☐ Current smoker
- ☐ Used to smoke, but have now quit

40. Height: _____ ☐ inches ☐ centimeters ☐ measured ☐ self-reported
Weight: _____ ☐ pounds ☐ kilograms ☐ measured ☐ self-reported