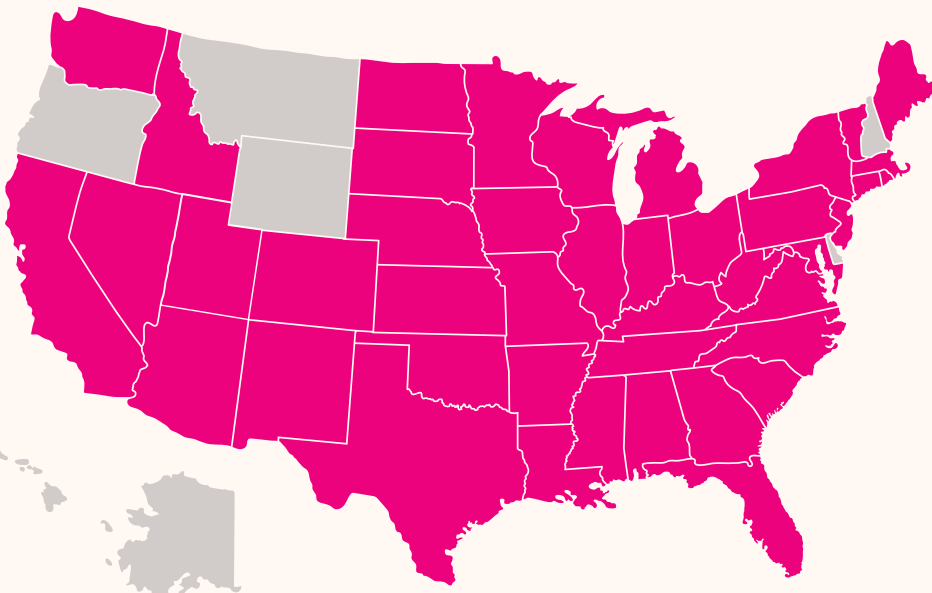


EMORY CLEFT PROJECT

ABOUT THE STUDY

The purpose of the study is to understand the different factors that contribute to craniofacial differences, including orofacial clefting. The overall goal of the study is to develop a better understanding of genes related to orofacial clefts and how they interact with the environment, in order to improve treatment, management, and prevention of orofacial clefts.

INTERESTING FACTS



We have recruited families in 43 out of 50 states.



We have also recruited international families from Canada, France, Australia, New Zealand, Ireland, Germany and the UK.

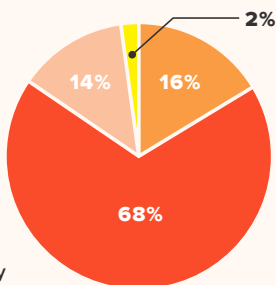


● 0-6 y/o ● 7-18 y/o ● over 18 y/o

Ages of participants range from 2 weeks to 72 years old.

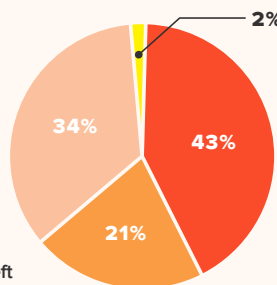
WHAT'S NEW

CLEFT PALATE TYPE



- Cleft Lip Only
- Cleft Palate Only
- Cleft Lip & Cleft Palate
- Other

CLEFT LIP TYPE



- Unilateral Left
- Unilateral Right
- Bilateral
- Unknown

CURRENT ENROLLMENT

- OVER **250** FAMILIES
- OVER **300** PARTICIPANTS

SAMPLES RECEIVED

- **215** SAMPLES FROM 79 FAMILIES



REMINDERS

If you have not yet completed your surveys—we still want to hear from you! If you need the surveys resent or need an access code to pick up where you left off, please contact us.

If you have not yet returned your samples—it's not too late. If you need a replacement kit, shipping label, or assistance with collection, please contact us and we will be happy to help.

If you are having difficulty collecting the saliva sample from a young child using the assisted kit—let us know and we may be able to send an alternate kit or more sponges to help.

Don't forget to send pictures! Having 2-D photographs of the front and side profile of the face is helpful for us so that we can compare the different genotypes (genetic information) to phenotypes (physical appearance). There are many different kinds of clefts, and each cleft type can vary from person to person. Photographs can give us detailed information that we wouldn't be able to get from a survey.

Please send any photos to cleftproject@emory.edu.

These photographs are confidential and for study purposes only—we will not share any of these photographs without your permission.

For more information or to enroll in our study, please contact us at
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