NCFMR Data Point: Emerging Adulthood in the U.S.

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### Table 1: Employment for emerging adults (20 - 24) by race/ethnicity, 2008 (%)

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Source: US Census Bureau, 2008 American Community Survey 1-Year Estimates
Figure 1: Employment status for ages 20 - 24 by gender, 2008

Source: US Census Bureau, 2008 American Community Survey 1-Year Estimates
Figure 2: Self-perceived adult status\(^1\) for ages 19 - 25

A question “Do you think that you have reached adulthood?” was asked, and those who responded either no, in some respects yes, or in some respects no, were considered as self-perceived emerging adult status.

Figure 3: Percentage of single women who became single mothers by age 24, by educational attainment

Figure 4: Women ever cohabited by age 24, by educational attainment

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Figure 5: Residential mobility in the past year by age, 2008

- No residential change
- Moved within same county
- Moved from different county within same state
- Moved from different state
- Moved from abroad

Source: US Census Bureau, 2008 American Community Survey 1-Year Estimates
Figure 6: Health insurance coverage for ages 18 - 24 by insurance type, 2008