The National Longitudinal Study of Adolescent Health

Notes on Data

Add Health

1 Sample Description
Wave I: An in-home sample of 27,000 adolescents was drawn consisting of a core sample from each community plus selected special oversamples. Eligibility for oversamples was determined by an adolescent’s responses on the In-School Questionnaire. Adolescents could qualify for more than one sample. In addition, parents were asked to complete a questionnaire about family and relationships.

Wave II: The Wave II in-home interview sample is the same as the Wave I in-home interview sample, with a few exceptions. Information about neighborhoods and communities was gathered from a variety of previously published databases.

Wave III: The in-home Wave III sample consists of Wave I respondents who could be located and re-interviewed six years later. A sample of 1,507 partners of original respondents was also interviewed. Wave III also collected High School Transcript Release Forms as well as samples of urine (for sexually transmitted infections) and saliva (for HIV testing and, for full siblings and twins, DNA extraction).

2 Project Web
http://www.cpc.unc.edu/projects/addhealth

3 Years covered
Wave 1 [1994-95]
Wave 2 [1996]
Wave 3 [2001-2002]

4 Longitudinal
Yes

5 Publically available
Questionnaires and codebooks may be downloaded/accessed from the Interuniversity Consortium for Political and Social Research (ICPSR)
http://www.icpsr.umich.edu/cocoon/ICPSR/STUDY/21600.xml
OR from Sociometrics

6 Restricted access data available
YES-http://www.cpc.unc.edu/projects/addhealth/data/contract

7 Web-accessible analysis
http://www.icpsr.umich.edu/cocoon/ICPSR/DAS/21600.xml
[download data or run frequencies and cross tabs]
The Add Health contract and data use agreement require that the following be included:

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