

Early Childhood Longitudinal Study Kindergarten Class of 1998-99 (ECLS-K)

Family Structure

Wave 1 (fall 1998) Kindergarten Year (n=21,260), Valid Parent data (n=14,885)

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CREATED HAVE PARENT DATA	0 False 1 True . No data	All respondents	*	*	P1PARDAT		3,163 18,097 149
CREATED Family type categories using both parent and sibling information	1 2 parents plus siblings 2 2 parents no sibling 3 1 parent plus siblings 4 1 parent no sibling 5 Other . No data	All respondents	*	*	P1HFAMIL		11,916 1,744 2,837 1,252 348 3,312
CREATED Indicates whether the nonresident biological mother was married to the biological father at the time of the child's birth	1 Yes 2 No 3 Mother has never married -1 Not applicable -9 Not ascertained . No data	*	*	*	WKBMOMAR	1	376 780 0 18,852 133 1,268
CREATED Resident biological mother was married to the biological father at the time of the child's birth	1 Yes 2 No 3 Mother has never married -1 Not applicable -9 Not ascertained . No data	*	*	*	WKHMOMAR	1	13,202 5,391 0 1,289 259 1,268
Now I have a few questions about your household. We have listed that you and [CHILD] (and [TWIN]) currently live in this household. Please tell me the first names and ages of all the other people who normally live here. Please do not include anyone staying here temporarily who usually lives somewhere else. PROBE: Anyone else (living in this household)?	Enter name Enter age Enter gender	All respondents	Family Structure	FSQ.020			*
Have we missed anyone who usually lives here who is temporarily away from home or living in a dorm at school, or any babies or small children?	1 Yes 2 No	All respondents	Family Structure	FSQ.060			*
Do you have a spouse or partner who lives in this household?	1 Yes 2 No	All respondents	Family Structure	FSQ.110			*

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Who in the household is your spouse or partner?		Respondents who have a spouse or partner in the household	Family Structure	FSQ.120			*
What is (your/[NAME]'s) relationship to [CHILD]?	1 Mother/female guardian 2 Father/male guardian 3 Sister 4 Brother 5 Girlfriend of partner of child's parent/guardian 6 Boyfriend or partner of child's parent/guardian 7 Grandmother 8 Grandfather 9 Aunt 10 Uncle 11 Cousin 12 Other relative 13 Other non-relative	All respondents	Family Structure	FSQ.130		2, 3	*
Is [NAME] [CHILD] (and [TWIN])'s...	1 Birth mother/father 2 Adoptive mother/father 3 Stepmother/father 4 Foster mother/father or female/male guardian	Asked if a <i>mother/father</i> or <i>female/male guardian</i> is reported in FSQ.130	Family Structure	FSQ.140 FSQ.150			*
CREATED Type of resident father	1 Biological 2 Other 3 None . No data	All respondents	*	*	P1DADTYP		12,365 1,613 4,119 3,312
CREATED Indicates whether the birth, adoptive, step, or foster father of the focal child resides in the household with the focal child	1 Biological 2 Adoptive 3 Step 4 Foster 5 Partner 6 Don't know type 7 No resident father . No data	All respondents	*	*	P1HDAD		12,365 308 733 63 504 5 4,119 3,312
CREATED Type of resident mother	1 Biological 2 Other 3 None . No data	All respondents	*	*	P1MOMTYP		16,963 468 666 3,312

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<p>CREATED</p> <p>Indicates whether the birth, adoptive, step, or foster mother of the focal child resides in the household with the focal child</p>	<p>1 Biological</p> <p>2 Adoptive</p> <p>3 Step</p> <p>4 Foster</p> <p>5 Partner</p> <p>6 Don't know type</p> <p>7 No resident father</p> <p>. No data</p>	All respondents	*	*	P1HMOM		<p>16,963</p> <p>254</p> <p>93</p> <p>91</p> <p>28</p> <p>2</p> <p>666</p> <p>3,312</p>
<p>CREATED</p> <p>Classification of the focal child’s parents who reside in the household</p>	<p>1 Biological mother and biological father</p> <p>2 Biological mother and other father</p> <p>3 Other mother and biological father</p> <p>4 Biological mother only</p> <p>5 Biological father only</p> <p>6 2 adoptive parents</p> <p>7 1 adoptive (+ step)</p> <p>8 Related guardians</p> <p>9 Unrelated guardians</p> <p>. No data</p>	All respondents	*	*	P1HPARNT		<p>11,927</p> <p>1,342</p> <p>131</p> <p>3,694</p> <p>307</p> <p>200</p> <p>48</p> <p>344</p> <p>104</p> <p>3,312</p>
<p>Is [NAME] [CHILD] (and [TWIN])’s.</p>	<p>1 Full sister/brother</p> <p>2 Half sister/brother</p> <p>3 Stepsister/brother</p> <p>4 Adoptive sister/brother</p> <p>5 Foster sister/brother</p>	<p>Asked if a <i>sister/brother</i> is reported in FSQ.130</p>	Family Structure	FSQ.160 FSQ.170			*
<p>CODE NON-RELATIVE RELATIONSHIP BELOW IF MORE DESCRIPTIVE.</p>	<p>1 Girlfriend or partner of child's parent/guardian</p> <p>2 Boyfriend or partner of child's parent/guardian</p> <p>3 Female guardian</p> <p>4 Male guardian</p> <p>5 Daughter/son of child's parent's partner</p> <p>6 Other relative of child's parent's partner</p> <p>7 Other non-relative</p>	<p>Asked if an <i>other non-relative</i> is reported in FSQ.130</p>	Family Structure	FSQ.180			*
<p>Has [CHILD] had any contact with (his/her) biological (mother/father) since (he/she) was adopted?</p> <p>IF NECESSARY SAY: Again, any information you can provide will be helpful.</p>	<p>1 Yes</p> <p>2 No</p>	<p>Asked if there are <u>NO</u> <i>biological</i> parents in the household AND there is at least one <i>adoptive</i> parent in the household</p>	Non-resident Parent Questions	NRQ.022		4	*
<p>You said before that (you/[NAME]) (are/is) [CHILD]’s adoptive (mother/father). Does [CHILD] have an adoptive mother?</p>	<p>1 Yes</p> <p>2 No</p> <p>-1 Not applicable</p> <p>. No data</p>	<p>Asked if there is only one resident adoptive parent</p>	Non-resident Parent Questions	NRQ.030	P1CTA_N2		<p>0</p> <p>5</p> <p>18,092</p> <p>3,312</p>

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You said before that (you/[NAME]) (are/is) [CHILD]'s adoptive (mother/father). Does [CHILD] have an adoptive father?	1 Yes 2 No -7 Refused -1 Not applicable . No data	Asked if there is only one resident adoptive parent	Non-resident Parent Questions	NRQ.030	P1CTA_N4		11 33 18,052 1 3,312
CREATED Type of nonresident father	1 Biological only 2 Both biological and adoptive -1 Not applicable . No data	*	*	*	P1ABSDAD	1	5,721 11 12,365 3,312
CREATED Type of nonresident mother	1 Biological only 2 Both biological and adoptive -1 Not applicable . No data	*	*	*	P1ABSMOM	1	1,134 0 16,963 3,312
CREATED The vital status of the nonresident biological father	1 Living 2 Dead 9 Unknown -1 Not applicable . No data	*	*	*	P1BDVITL	1	5,111 192 429 12,365 3,312
CREATED The vital status of the nonresident biological mother	1 Living 2 Dead 9 Unknown -1 Not applicable . No data	*	*	*	P1BMVITL	1	1,009 54 71 16,963 3,312
I'd like to ask you a few questions about [CHILD]'s biological mother. Is [CHILD]'s biological mother currently living? IF NECESSARY SAY: Again, any information you can provide will be helpful.	1 Yes 2 No 3 Don't know who biological mother is -1 Not applicable -7 Refused -8 Don't know -9 Not ascertained . No data	Asked if there is NO birth mother currently living in the household	Historical Roster	HRQ.030	P1BIO_N1	5	1,009 54 23 16,963 2 43 3 3,312
I'd like to ask you a few questions about [CHILD]'s biological father. Is [CHILD]'s biological father currently living? IF NECESSARY SAY: Again, any information you can provide will be helpful.	1 Yes 2 No 3 Don't know who biological father is -1 Not applicable -7 Refused -8 Don't know -9 Not ascertained . No data	Asked if there is NO birth father currently living in the household	Historical Roster	HRQ.030	P1BIO_N3	5	5,111 192 178 12,365 33 193 25 3,312

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What is [CHILD]'s biological mother’s date of death? <i>month</i>	1 January	Asked if a biological parent is deceased	Historical Roster	HRQ.080	P1MM_N1		5
	2 February						1
	3 March						8
	.						.
	.						.
	12 December						3
	-1 Not applicable						18,040
	-8 Don't know						7
	-9 Not ascertained						3
	. No data						3,312
What is [CHILD]'s biological mother’s date of death? <i>year</i>	1993	Asked if a biological parent is deceased	Historical Roster	HRQ.080	P1YYB_N1		8
	1994						8
	1995						1
	1996						10
	1997						8
	1998						13
	-1 Not applicable						18,040
	-8 Don't know						6
	-9 Not ascertained						3
	. No data						3,312
What is [CHILD]'s biological father’s date of death? <i>month</i>	1 January	Asked if a biological parent is deceased	Historical Roster	HRQ.080	P1MM_N3		13
	2 February						8
	3 March						20
	.						.
	.						.
	.						.
	12 December						17
	-1 Not applicable						17,880
	-7 Refused						5
	-8 Don't know						27
What is [CHILD]'s biological father’s date of death? <i>year</i>	-9 Not ascertained	Asked if a biological parent is deceased	Historical Roster	HRQ.080	P1YYB_N3		25
	. No data						3,312
	1992						13
	1993						34
	1994						28
	1995						29
	1996						16
	1997						24
	1998						21
	-1 Not applicable						17,880
	-7 Refused						5
	-8 Don't know						22
	-9 Not ascertained						25
	. No data						3,312

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To the best of your knowledge, (has/did) [CHILD] ever (lived/live) with (his/her) biological mother? IF NECESSARY SAY: Again, any information you can provide will be helpful.	1 Yes	Asked if there is NO birth mother currently living in the household	Historical Roster	HRQ.110	P1CHD_N1		839
	2 No						251
	-1 Not applicable						16,986
	-7 Refused						2
	-8 Don't know						16
	-9 Not ascertained						3
	. No data						3,312
To the best of your knowledge, (has/did) [CHILD] ever (lived/live) with (his/her) biological father? IF NECESSARY SAY: Again, any information you can provide will be helpful.	1 Yes	Asked if there is NO birth father currently living in the household	Historical Roster	HRQ.110	P1CHD_N3		3,001
	2 No						2,418
	3 Father deceased before child born						11
	-1 Not applicable						12,543
	-7 Refused						34
	-8 Don't know						65
	-9 Not ascertained						25
	. No data						3,312
When did [CHILD]'s mother last live in the same household as [CHILD]? <i>month</i>	1 January	Asked if there is NO birth mother currently living in the household and the focal child had ever lived with non-resident birth parent	Historical Roster	HRQ.120	P1CHP_N1		53
	2 February						37
	3 March						49
	.						.
	.						.
	.						.
	12 December						56
	-1 Not applicable						17,255
	-7 Refused						6
	-8 Don't know						148
When did [CHILD]'s mother last live in the same household as [CHILD]? <i>year</i>	-9 Not ascertained	Asked if there is NO birth mother currently living in the household and the focal child had ever lived with non-resident birth parent	Historical Roster	HRQ.120	P1CH2_N1		3
	. No data						3,312
	1992						9
	1993						115
	1994						97
	.						.
	.						.
	.						.
	1999						4
	-1 Not applicable						17,255
	-7 Refused						3
	-8 Don't know						73
	-9 Not ascertained						3
	. No data						3,312

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When did [CHILD]'s father last live in the same household as [CHILD]? <i>month</i>	1 January 2 February 3 March . . . 12 December -1 Not applicable -7 Refused -8 Don't know -9 Not ascertained . No data	Asked if there is NO birth father currently living in the household and the focal child had ever lived with non-resident birth parent	Historical Roster	HRQ.120	P1CHP_N3		224 163 206 . . . 236 15,071 26 313 25 3,312
When did [CHILD]'s father last live in the same household as [CHILD]? <i>year</i>	1992 1993 1994 . . . 1999 -1 Not applicable -7 Refused -8 Don't know -9 Not ascertained . No data	Asked if there is NO birth father currently living in the household and the focal child had ever lived with non-resident birth parent	Historical Roster	HRQ.120	P1CH2_N3		31 363 524 . . . 2 15,071 24 95 25 3,312
(Besides [CHILD]'s biological (mother/ father/ parents), are/Are) there any (other) adults, 18 years or older at the time, who do not currently live with [CHILD] who have lived with [him/her] in the past for at least four months?	1 Yes 2 No -7 Refused -8 Don't know -9 Not ascertained . No data	All respondents	Historical Roster	HRQ.130	P1ADLTLV		3,438 14,519 29 67 44 3,312
(Besides [CHILD]'s biological (mother/ father/ parents), how/How) many adults, 18 years or older at the time, once lived with [CHILD] for at least four months, but no longer do? IF NECESSARY, SAY: Can you give me your best estimate?	1 2 3 . . . 20 -1 -8 Don't know -9 Not ascertained . No data	Asked if an adult (who does not currently live with focal child) had <u>ever</u> lived with focal child in the past for at least four months	Historical Roster	HRQ.140	P1ADLTL2		2,004 883 287 . . . 1 14,615 20 44 3,312

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How (were the other [NUMBER] adults/ was the other person) related to [CHILD]?	CODE ALL THAT APPLY Mother/female guardian 1 Yes 2 No -1 Not applicable -7 Refused -8 Don't know -9 Not ascertained . No data Father/male guardian Girlfriend or partner of child's parent/guardian Boyfriend or partner of child's parent/guardian Sister/Brother Grandmother/Grandfather Other relative Other non-relative	Asked if an adult (who does not currently live with focal child) had <u>ever</u> lived with focal child in the past for at least four months	Historical Roster	HRQ.150	P1HOWOT1 P1HOWOT2 P1HOWOT3 P1HOWOT4 P1HOWOT5 P1HOWOT6 P1HOWOT7 P1HOWOT8	6	46 3,388 14,615 2 2 44 3,312
(I now have just a few questions about the past living arrangements of your household.) How long has [CHILD] lived with (you/[NAME])?	0 Months 1 2 . . . 11 -7 Refused -8 Don't know -9 Not ascertained . No data	All respondents	Child Always Lived with Person	ALQ.010	P1MON_1 P1MON_2 P1MON_3 P1MON_4	7	673 114 159 . . . 75 7 39 16,044 3,312
(I now have just a few questions about the past living arrangements of your household.) How long has [CHILD] lived with (you/[NAME])?	0 Years 1 2 . . . 11 88 -7 Refused -8 Don't know -9 Not ascertained . No data	All respondents	Child Always Lived with Person	ALQ.010	P1YRS_1 P1YRS_2 P1YRS_3 P1YRS_4	7	199 117 118 . . . 0 16,000 6 26 44 3,312

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NEXT ARE A FEW QUESTIONS ABOUT (YOUR/[CHILD]'S PARENTS') MARITAL HISTORY.				MHQ.010			*
Are you legally married to [CHILD]'s biological (father/mother)?	1 Yes 2 No -1 Not applicable -7 Refused -8 Don't know -9 Not ascertained . No data	Asked if there are two biological parents in the household and the respondent is one of them	Parent Marital History	MHQ.020	P1LEGMAR		11,092 733 6,230 7 3 32 3,312
When did you get married? <i>month</i>	1 January 2 February 3 March . . 12 December -1 Not applicable -7 Refused -8 Don't know -9 Not ascertained . No data	Asked if respondent is a bio parent of focal child and is married to child's other bio parent and both live in household	Parent Marital History	MHQ.025	P1WHNMAR		513 621 661 . . 772 6,973 20 77 32 3,312
When did you get married? <i>year</i>	1949 1954 1966 . . 1998 -1 Not applicable -7 Refused -8 Don't know -9 Not ascertained . No data	Asked if respondent is a bio parent of focal child and is married to child's other bio parent and both live in household	Parent Marital History	MHQ.025	P1WHNMA2		1 1 1 . . 106 6,973 18 42 32 3,312
Are you and [CHILD]'s biological (father/mother) currently living together in a marriage-like relationship? RESBIOMOM-RESBIODAD LIVE TGTHR	1 Yes 2 No -1 Not applicable -7 Refused -8 Don't know -9 Not ascertained . No data	Asked if there are two biological parents in the household AND the respondent is one of them AND they are <u>not</u> married	Parent Marital History	MHQ.030	P1LIVING		684 49 17,322 7 3 32 3,312

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When did you and [CHILD]'s biological (father/mother) begin living together? <i>month</i>	1 January 2 February 3 March . . . 12 December -1 Not applicable -7 Refused -8 Don't know -9 Not ascertained . No data	Asked if respondent is a bio parent of focal child and is living in a marriage-like relationship with child's other bio parent	Parent Marital History	MHQ.035	P1WHENLI		54 52 43 . . . 42 17,381 9 102 32 3,312
When did you and [CHILD]'s biological (father/mother) begin living together? <i>Year</i>	1972 1973 1975 . . . 1998 -1 Not applicable -7 Refused -8 Don't know -9 Not ascertained . No data	Asked if respondent is a bio parent of focal child and is living in a marriage-like relationship with child's other bio parent	Parent Marital History	MHQ.035	P1WHENL2		1 1 1 . . . 19 17,381 7 15 32 3,312
Are you legally married to someone who is not [CHILD]'s biological [father/mother] at the present time? RESP MARRIED TO NON-BIOPARENT	1 Yes 2 No -1 Not applicable -7 Refused -8 Don't know -9 Not ascertained . No data	Asked if respondent is bio parent AND no other parent is in the household OR second parent is non-bio parent	Parent Marital History	MHQ.040	P1MARRY		926 4,312 12,795 20 12 32 3,312
Are you currently living in a marriage-like relationship with someone who is not [CHILD]'s biological (father/mother)? RESP LIVES WITH NON-BIOPARENT	1 Yes 2 No -1 Not applicable -7 Refused -8 Don't know -9 Not ascertained . No data	Asked if respondent is bio parent AND not married to someone who is not focal child's other bio parent AND no other parent is in the household OR second parent is non-bio parent	Parent Marital History	MHQ.045	P1LIVNON		641 3,667 13,721 22 14 32 3,312

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When did your current marriage begin? <i>month</i>	1 January	Asked if respondent is bio parent AND is married to someone who is not focal child's other bio parent AND no other parent is in the household OR second parent is non-bio parent	Parent Marital History	MHQ.050	P1WHNCUR		56
	2 February						56
	3 March						70
	.						.
	.						.
	.						.
	12 December						53
	-1 Not applicable						17,139
	-7 Refused						1
	-8 Don't know						7
When did your current marriage begin? <i>year</i>	-9 Not ascertained	Asked if respondent is bio parent AND is married to someone who is not focal child's other bio parent AND no other parent is in the household OR second parent is non-bio parent	Parent Marital History	MHQ.050	P1WHNCU2		32
	. No data						3,312
	1966						1
	1975						2
	1979						1
	.						.
	.						.
	.						.
	1998						242
	-1 Not applicable						17,139
When did you and this person begin living together? <i>month</i>	-7 Refused	Asked if respondent is bio parent AND is living in a marriage-like relationship with someone who is not focal child's other bio parent AND no other parent is in the household OR second parent is non-bio parent	Parent Marital History	MHQ.055	P1WHNSTM		1
	-8 Don't know						3
	-9 Not ascertained						32
	. No data						3,312
	1 January						47
	2 February						49
	3 March						44
	.						.
	.						.
	.						.
When did you and this person begin living together? <i>year</i>	12 December	Asked if respondent is bio parent AND is living in a marriage-like relationship with someone who is not focal child's other bio parent AND no other parent is in the household OR second parent is non-bio parent	Parent Marital History	MHQ.055	P1WHNSTY		34
	-1 Not applicable						17,424
	-7 Refused						4
	-8 Don't know						33
	-9 Not ascertained						32
	. No data						3,312
	1979						1
	1986						2
	1987						1
	.						.
When did you and this person begin living together? <i>month</i>	.	Asked if respondent is bio parent AND is married to someone who is not focal child's other bio parent AND no other parent is in the household OR second parent is non-bio parent	Parent Marital History	MHQ.050	P1WHNCUR		.
	.						.
	.						.
	1999						1
	-1 Not applicable						17,424
	-7 Refused						4
	-8 Don't know						4
	-9 Not ascertained						32
	. No data						3,312
	1979						1

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Are [CHILD]'s biological parents legally married?	1 Yes 2 No -1 Not applicable -7 Refused -8 Don't know -9 Not ascertained . No data	Asked if respondent is NOT a bio parent, but one bio parent is in household AND respondent is NOT someone who could be a partner to (him/her)	Parent Marital History	MHQ.060	P1BIOLOG		66 137 17,860 1 1 32 3,312
When did their marriage begin? <i>month</i>	1 January 2 February 3 March 12 December -1 Not applicable -7 Refused -8 Don't know -9 Not ascertained . No data	Asked if respondent is NOT a bio parent, but one bio parent is in household AND respondent is NOT someone who could be a partner to (him/her) AND focal child's bio parents are married	Parent Marital History	MHQ.065	P1BIOLO2		3 3 4 4 17,999 2 24 32 3,312
When did their marriage begin? <i>year</i>	1969 1971 1974 1998 -1 Not applicable -7 Refused -8 Don't know -9 Not ascertained . No data	Asked if respondent is NOT a bio parent, but one bio parent is in household AND respondent is NOT someone who could be a partner to (him/her) AND focal child's bio parents are married	Parent Marital History	MHQ.065	P1BIOLO3		1 1 1 4 17,999 2 13 32 3,312
Are [CHILD]'s biological parents currently living together in a marriage-like relationship?	1 Yes 2 No -1 Not applicable -8 Don't know -9 Not ascertained . No data	Asked if respondent is NOT a bio parent, but one bio parent is in household AND respondent is NOT someone who could be a partner to (him/her) AND focal child's bio parents aren't married	Parent Marital History	MHQ.070	P1BIOLO4		5 133 17,926 1 32 3,312

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When did [CHILD]'s biological parents begin living together? <i>month</i>	1 January 5 May 6 June 11 November -1 Not applicable -8 Don't know -9 Not ascertained . No data	Asked if respondent is NOT a bio parent, but one bio parent is in household AND respondent is NOT someone who could be a partner to (him/her) AND focal child's bio parents are living in a marriage-like relationship	Parent Marital History	MHQ.075	P1BIOLO5	8	1 1 1 1 18,060 1 32 3,312
When did [CHILD]'s biological parents begin living together? <i>year</i>	1991 1992 1994 -1 Not applicable -8 Don't know -9 Not ascertained . No data	Asked if respondent is NOT a bio parent, but one bio parent is in household AND respondent is NOT someone who could be a partner to (him/her) AND focal child's bio parents are living in a marriage-like relationship	Parent Marital History	MHQ.075	P1BIOLO6		1 2 1 18,060 1 32 3,312
Are you and [CHILD]'s biological parent legally married?	1 Yes 2 No -1 Not applicable -9 Not ascertained . No data	Asked if respondent is NOT a bio parent, but one bio parent is in household AND respondent is a non-bio parent or spouse/ partner of resident bio parent	Parent Marital History	MHQ.080	P1RESBIO		79 35 17,951 32 3,312
When did you get married? <i>month</i>	1 January 2 February 3 March 12 December -1 Not applicable -9 Not ascertained . No data	Asked if respondent is NOT a bio parent, but one bio parent is in household AND respondent is married to the resident bio parent	Parent Marital History	MHQ.085	P1RESWHN		4 8 7 2 17,986 32 3,312
When did you get married? <i>year</i>	1984 1985 1988 1998 -1 Not applicable -9 Not ascertained . No data	Asked if respondent is NOT a bio parent, but one bio parent is in household AND respondent is married to the resident bio parent	Parent Marital History	MHQ.085	P1RESWH2		3 1 2 20 17,986 32 3,312

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Are you and [CHILD]'s biological (father/mother) living together in a marriage-like relationship?	1 Yes 2 No -1 Not applicable -9 Not ascertained . No data	Asked if respondent is NOT a bio parent, but one bio parent is in household AND respondent is NOT married to the resident bio parent	Parent Marital History	MHQ.090	P1RESLIV		28 7 18,030 32 3,312
When did you first start living together? <i>Month</i>	4 April 5 March 6 May 7 June 8 July 9 August 10 September 11 November 12 December -1 Not applicable -7 Refused -8 Don't know -9 Not ascertained . No data	Asked if respondent is NOT a bio parent, but one bio parent is in household AND respondent is living in a marriage-like relationship with resident bio parent	Parent Marital History	MHQ.095	P1WHNLIK	8	2 4 2 5 2 3 4 2 2 18,037 1 1 32 3,312
When did you first start living together? <i>year</i>	1991 1992 1993 . . . 1998 -1 Not applicable -7 Refused -9 Not ascertained . No data	Asked if respondent is NOT a bio parent, but one bio parent is in household AND respondent is living in a marriage-like relationship with resident bio parent	Parent Marital History	MHQ.095	P1WHNLI2		1 1 1 . . . 3 18,037 1 32 3,312
Are you legally married?	1 Yes 2 No -1 Not applicable -7 Refused -8 Don't know -9 Not ascertained . No data	Asked if NO bio parents are in household	Parent Marital History	MHQ.100	P1BIOLEG		464 226 17,370 3 2 32 3,312

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				Question Name	Variable Name		
When did you get married? <i>year</i>	1938	Asked if NO bio parents are in household and respondent is married	Parent Marital History	MHQ.105	P1BIOWH2		2
	1946						2
	1947						2
	.						.
	.						.
	.						.
	1998						4
	-1 Not applicable						17,601
	-7 Refused						4
	-8 Don't know						4
	-9 Not ascertained						32
	. No data						3,312
When did you get married? <i>month</i>	1 January	Asked if NO bio parents are in household and respondent is married	Parent Marital History	MHQ.105	P1BIOWHN		21
	2 February						25
	3 March						38
	.						.
	.						.
	.						.
	12 December						48
	-1 Not applicable						17,601
	-7 Refused						3
	-8 Don't know						7
	-9 Not ascertained						32
	. No data						3,312
Are you living with someone in a marriage-like relationship?	1 Yes	Asked if NO bio parents are in household and respondent is NOT married	Parent Marital History	MHQ.110	P1RESOTH		27
	2 No						201
	-1 Not applicable						17,834
	-7 Refused						1
	-8 Don't know						2
	-9 Not ascertained						32
	. No data						3,312
When did you begin living together? <i>month</i>	1 January	Asked if NO bio parents are in household and respondent is living in a marriage-like relationship	Parent Marital History	MHQ.115	P1OTHWHN		2
	2 February						0
	3 March						1
	.						.
	.						.
	.						.
	12 December						1
	-1 Not applicable						18,038
	-7 Refused						1
	-8 Don't know						2
	-9 Not ascertained						32
	. No data						3,312

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				Question Name	Variable Name		
When did you begin living together? <i>Year</i>	1973 1976 1982 . . . 1998 -1 Not applicable -7 Refused -9 Not ascertained . No data	Asked if NO bio parents are in household and respondent is living in a marriage-like relationship	Parent Marital History	MHQ.115	P1OTHWH2		1 1 1 . . . 2 18,038 1 32 3,312
NEXT ARE A FEW QUESTION ABOUT [CHILD]'S BIOLOGICAL PARENTS. WE UNDERSTAND THAT SOME OF THESE QUESTIONS MAY BE DIFFICULT (FOR ADOPTIVE PARENTS) TO ANSWER, HOWEVER, THESE ARE STANDARD QUESTIONS WE ASK WHEN A CHILD DOES NOT LIVE WITH (HIS/HER) BIOLOGICAL PARENTS. ANY INFORMATION YOU CAN PROVIDE WILL BE HELPFUL.		Asked if NO bio parents are in household	Parent Marital History	MHQ.120	P1KNOWLE		
To the best of your knowledge, are [CHILD]'s biological parents currently legally married to each other?	1 Yes 2 No -1 Not applicable -7 Refused -8 Don't know -9 Not ascertained . No data						78 565 17,370 2 50 32 3,312
(To the best of your knowledge)...(Have you/Has [CHILD]'s biological (mother/ father)) EVER been married to [CHILD]'s biological (father/mother)?	1 Yes 2 No -1 Not applicable -7 Refused -8 Don't know -9 Not ascertained . No data	Asked if respondents currently do not live in a marriage-like relationship with someone who is not [CHILD]'s biological (father/mother)?	Parent Marital History	MHQ.125	P1BIOPAR		2,494 3,536 11,930 31 74 32 3,312

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				Question Name	Variable Name		
(To the best of your knowledge)...When did that marriage begin? <i>monht</i>	1 January	Asked if focal child's parents are currently or have ever been married	Parent Marital History	MHQ.130	P1MDWHN		154
	2 February						175
	3 March						164
	.						.
	.						.
	.						.
	12 December						212
	-1 Not applicable						15,493
	-7 Refused						11
	-8 Don't know						148
(To the best of your knowledge)...When did that marriage begin? <i>year</i>	-9 Not ascertained	Asked if focal child's parents are currently or have ever been married	Parent Marital History	MHQ.130	P1MDWH2		32
	. No data						3,312
	1919						1
	1964						1
	1966						1
	.						.
	.						.
	.						.
	1998						13
	-1 Not applicable						15,493
(To the best of your knowledge)...Did that marriage end in...	-7 Refused	Focal child's parents were married but are no longer	Parent Marital History	MHQ.135	P1KNOWL2		11
	-8 Don't know						72
	-9 Not ascertained						32
	. No data						3,312
	1 Legal separation						638
	2 Divorce, or						1,615
	3 Death						112
	-1 Not applicable						15,571
	-7 Refused						32
	-8 Don't know						97
(To the best of your knowledge)...When did [CHILD] stop living in a household with at least one biological parent? <i>month</i>	-9 Not ascertained	Asked if the bio mother and father are NOT in the household	Parent Marital History	MHQ.145	P1STOPMM		32
	. No data						3,312
	1 January						9
	2 February						6
	3 March						8
	.						.
	.						.
	.						.
	12 December						8
	-1 Not applicable						17,928
(To the best of your knowledge)...When did that marriage begin? <i>monht</i>	-7 Refused	Asked if focal child's parents are currently or have ever been married	Parent Marital History	MHQ.130	P1MDWHN		2
	-8 Don't know						36
	-9 Not ascertained						32
	. No data						3,312
	1 January						154
	2 February						175
	3 March						164
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				Question Name	Variable Name		
(To the best of your knowledge)...When did [CHILD] stop living in a household with at least one biological parent? <i>year</i>	1992 1993 1994 . . . 1998 -1 Not applicable -7 Refused -8 Don't know -9 Not ascertained . No data	Asked if the bio mother and father are NOT in the household	Parent Marital History	MHQ.145	P1STOPYY		4 26 16 . . . 22 17,928 2 22 32 3,312
(To the best of your knowledge)...Since [CHILD] was born, have (you/[CHILD]'s biological (mother/father)) and [CHILD]'s biological (father/mother) ever lived together in a marriage-like relationship?	1 Yes 2 No -1 Not applicable -7 Refused -8 Don't know -9 Not ascertained . No data	Asked if respondents are NOT currently living in a marriage-like relationship with someone who is not [CHILD]'s biological (father/mother) AND [CHILD]'s biological (mother/ father)) has never been married to [CHILD]'s biological (father/mother)	Parent Marital History	MHQ.150	P1BIOPA2		1,461 2,049 14,424 29 102 32 3,312
(To the best of your knowledge)...When did (you/[CHILD]'s biological (mother/ father)) and [CHILD]'s biological (father/ mother) first live together in the same household? <i>month</i>	1 January 2 February 3 March . . . 12 December -1 Not applicable -7 Refused -8 Don't know -9 Not ascertained . No data	Asked if [CHILD]'s biological (mother/father) had NEVER been married to [CHILD]'s biological (father/mother)	Parent Marital History	MHQ.155	P1MDLIVE		122 91 87 . . . 68 16,604 8 360 32 3,312
(To the best of your knowledge)...When did (you/[CHILD]'s biological (mother/ father)) and [CHILD]'s biological (father/ mother) first live together in the same household? <i>year</i>	1969 1972 1974 . . . 1998 -1 Not applicable -7 Refused -8 Don't know -9 Not ascertained . No data	Asked if [CHILD]'s biological (mother/father) had NEVER been married to [CHILD]'s biological (father/mother)	Parent Marital History	MHQ.155	P1MDLIV2		1 1 2 . . . 10 16,604 8 99 32 3,312

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				Question Name	Variable Name		
(To the best of your knowledge)...When did (you/[CHILD]'s biological (mother/ father)) and [CHILD]'s biological (father/ mother) last live together?	1 January	Asked if the respondent is the biological mother or father OR the biological mother or father is in the household	Parent Marital History	MHQ.160	P1MDLIV3		290
	2 February						203
	3 March						253
	.						.
	.						.
	.						.
	12 December						292
	-1 Not applicable						14,278
	-7 Refused						57
	-8 Don't know						401
(To the best of your knowledge)...When did (you/[CHILD]'s biological (mother/ father)) and [CHILD]'s biological (father/ mother) last live together?	-9 Not ascertained	Asked if the respondent is the biological mother or father OR the biological mother or father is in the household	Parent Marital History	MHQ.160	P1MDLIV4		32
	. No data						3,312
	1962						1
	1966						1
	1979						1
	.						.
	.						.
	.						.
	1999						4
	-1 Not applicable						14,278
	-7 Refused						48
	-8 Don't know						99
	-9 Not ascertained						32
	. No data						3,312

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