

Fragile Families and Child Wellbeing Study: One-Year Follow-Up, Mothers Family Structure

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Question	Response ¹	Respondent	Codebook ² Location	Variable Name ³	Variable Notes⁴	Unweighted Frequencies			
Current Relationships & Living Arrangements									
What is your relationship with (FATHER) now? Are you	1 Married 2 Romantically involved 3 Separated/Divorced 4 Just friends 5 Not in any kind of a relationship -1 Refused -2 Don't know -9 Not in wave -13 Father not known -14 Volunteered, father died	All mothers	SECTION A: Family Characteristics	m2a7	5	1,309 1,620 86 650 654 5 2 534 23			
Are you and (FATHER) currently living together	1 All or most of the time 2 Some of the time 3 Rarely 4 Never 203 Rarely/Never -1 Refused -2 Don't know -6 Skip -9 Not in wave	Mothers CURRENTLY married to or romantically involved with FATHER	SECTION A: Family Characteristics	m2a7a	5, 15	2,465 188 29 208 35 2 2 2 1,435			
How many nights a week do you and (FATHER) usually spend together?	0 1 7 -1 Refused -2 Don't know -5 Not asked -6 Skip	Mothers not married and living with spouse all or most of the time (18 cities only)	SECTION A: Family Characteristics	m2a7a2	5, 6, 7	99 30 859 10 24 406 2,526			

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-9 Not in wave

When did you and (FATHER) get married? (Month)	1 January 2 February	Mothers who were EVER married to FATHER	SECTION A: Family Characteristics	m2a8a1a	5, 16	86 89 : 125 31 7 31 7 2,935 534
When did you and (FATHER) get married? (Year)	1973 1978 2001 0 N/A- never married -1 Refused -2 Don't know -3 Missing -6 Skip -9 Not in wave			m2a8a1b	5, 16	1 1
When did you and father start living together? (Month) When did you and father start living together? (Year)	1 January 2 February	Mothers who were living with FATHER at BIRTH or FOLLOW- UP	SECTION A: Family Characteristics	m2a8b1a	5	237 214 .: .: .: .: .: .: .: .: .: .: .: .: .:

When did you and father start living together? (Year)	2001 2008 2014 2018 -1 Refused -2 Don't know -6 Skip -9 Not in wave	Mothers who were living with FATHER at BIRTH or FOLLOW-UP	SECTION A: Family Characteristics	m2a8b1b	5	39 1 1 1 12 95 1,133 534
When did you and (Father) separate? (Month)	1 January 2 February	Mothers who are divorced/ separated from FATHER	SECTION A: Family	m2a8c1a	5	14 8 5 5 2 12 4,251 534
When did you and (Father) separate? (Year)	1992 1995 2001 -1 Refused -2 Don't know -6 Skip -9 Not in wave		Characteristics	m2a8c1b	5	1 3 21 1 5 4,251
When did your romantic relationship with (FATHER) end? (Month)	1 January 2 February	Mothers who are romantically involved with FATHER (not married) at birth, and NOT in a relationship now	SECTION A: Family Characteristics	m2a8e1a	5	67 63 62 4 42 1 3,702 1

When did your romantic relationship with (FATHER) end? (Year)	1997 1998 1999 2000 2001 -1 Refused -2 Don't know -3 Missing -6 Skip -8 Out of range -9 Not in wave	Mothers who are romantically involved with FATHER (not married) at birth, and NOT in a relationship now	SECTION A: Family Characteristics	m2a8e1b	5	3 54 140 292 144 4 23 1 3,702 1
CONSTRUCTED- Mother's romantic relationship w FATHER at one year	 1 Married 2 Romantic-cohabiting 3 Romantic-some-visiting 4 Romantic-no-visiting 5 Separated/Divorced/Widowed 6 Friends 7 Not in a relationship 8 Father unknown -3 Missing -9 Not in wave 	All mothers	CONSTRUCTED VARIABLES: Relationships	cm2relf	5, 8, 10, 19, 20	1,309 1,191 173 255 104 650 654 19 9 534
CONSTRUCTED- Mother married to FATHER at one year	0 No 1 Yes -3 Missing -9 Not in wave	All mothers	CONSTRUCTED VARIABLES: Relationships	cm2marf	5, 8, 10, 19, 20	3,051 1,309 4 534
CONSTRUCTED - Is mother cohabiting with FATHER - not including marrieds?	0 No 1 Yes -9 Not in wave	All mothers	CONSTRUCTED VARIABLES: Relationships	cm2cohf	5, 8, 10, 19, 20	3,001 1,363 534
Are you currently involved in a romantic relationship with someone other than (FATHER)?	1 Yes 2 No -1 Refuse -2 Don't know -3 Missing -6 Skip -9 Not in wave	Mothers NOT currently living with FATHER "all the time"	SECTION E: Current Partner	m2e2	5	493 1,380 19 6 1 2,465 534
Are you married to (CURRENT PARTNER)?	1 Yes 2 No -6 Skip -9 Not in wave	Mothers currently romantically involved with someone other than FATHER	SECTION E: Current Partner	m2e2b	5	32 446 3,886 534

Do you and (CURRENT PARTNER) live together most of the time?	1 Yes 2 No -6 Skip -9 Not in wave	Mothers currently romantically involved with someone rather than FATHER	SECTION E: Current Partner	m2e2c	5, 30	204 276 3,884 534
CONSTRUCTED - Is mother married to a new partner?	0 No 1 Yes -9 Not in wave	All mothers	CONSTRUCTED	cm2marp	5, 8, 10	4,332 32 534
CONSTRUCTED - Is mother cohabiting with a new partner?	0 No 1 Yes -3 Missing -9 Not in wave	All mothers	VARIABLES: Current Partner	cm2cohp	5, 8, 10	4,174 177 13 534
Is (FATHER) living with or married to another woman?	1 Yes 2 No -1 Refuse -2 Don't know -6 Skip -9 Not in wave	Mothers not married to or romantically involved with FATHER	SECTION C: Father- Child Relationship	m2c30a	5	291 884 4 200 2,985 534
Not including yourself, how many people are currently living with you? Please include people who sleep in your home most nights.	O Respondent lives alone 1	All mothers	SECTION F: Demographics	m2f1	5	11 221 1 12 1 534
HOUSEHOLD GRID IF ONLY 1 PERSON And what is this person's name or initials? IF MORE THAN 1 PERSON I'd like to make a list of these (NUMBER) people who currently live in your household. Please start by giving me the first name of the oldest person currently living in your household. Please do not include yourself.		All mothers NOT living alone, in jail, a shelter, or on the street	SECTION F: Demographics	m2f2a	5, 10, 11	

What is (his/her) relationship to you?	1 Spouse 2 Partner/(boyfriend/girlfriend) 3 Parent 4 Parent-in-law 5 Bio/adopted child 6 Stepchild 7 Foster child 8 Sibling (brother/sister) 9 Grandparent 10 Aunt/uncle 11 Cousin 12 Not-related adult 13 Not-related child 15 niece/nephew 16 Grandchild 101 New partner 102 New spouse 103 Unknown related adult 104 Unknown related child -1 Refuse -2 Don't know -6 Skip -9 Not in wave	All mothers NOT living alone, in jail, a shelter, or on the street	SECTION F: Demographics	m2f2d1- m2f2d10	5, 10, 11, 12, 18	1,116 939 679 106 817 2 0 114 137 54 26 197 3 18 0 108 23 2 0 1 7 15
CONSTRUCTED- Baby's grandfather in the HH	0 No 1 Yes -3 Missing -9 Not in wave	All mothers	CONSTRUCTED VARIABLES:	c2gdad	5, 8, 10	3,999 345 20 534
CONSTRUCTED- Baby's grandmother in the HH	0 No 1 Yes -3 Missing -9 Not in wave	All mothers	Demographics & Household Composition	c2gmom	5, 8, 10	3,528 816 20 534
How much of the time does (CHILD) live with you? Is it	1 All or most of the time 2 About half of the time 3 Some of the time 4 None of the time -1 Refuse -9 Not in wave	All mothers	SECTION A: Family Characteristics	m2a3	5	4,261 49 24 29 1 534

How many months ago did (he/she) stop living with you (most or half of the time)?	1 2 20 -2 Don't Know -6 Skip -9 Not in wave -10 Never	Mothers NOT living with focal child most or about half of the time	SECTION A: Family Characteristics	m2a4	5	4 2 1 4 4,311 534
Who does (CHILD) (usually) live with?	 1 Biological father 2 Maternal grandparent(s) 3 Paternal grandparent(s) 4 Other relative(s) 5 Friend 6 Foster care 7 Adoptive parent 8 Child deceased 9 Other (not specified) -6 Skip -9 Not in wave 	Mothers NOT living with focal child most or about half of the time	SECTION A: Family Characteristics	m2a4a	5, 13, 14	16 7 5 13 0 12 0 0 0 4,311 534
About how long has (CHILD) been living there? How many months?	0 1 20 -6 Skip -9 Not in wave	Mothers NOT living with focal child most or about half of the time	SECTION A: Family Characteristics	m2a4b	5	3 4
About how many days did you see (CHILD) in the past 30 days?	0 1 30 -2 Don't know -6 Skip -9 Not in wave	Mothers NOT living with focal child most or about half of the time	SECTION A: Family Characteristics	m2a4d	5	13 3 3 1 4,311 534
Since (CHILD) was born, how many times have you and (CHILD) been separated for a week or more?	0 1 26 -1 Refused -2 Don't know -6 Skip -9 Not in wave	Mothers currently living with focal child	SECTION B: Child Well-Being and Mothering	m2b15	5	3,747 346 3 2 17 30 534

Where did (CHILD) stay during (that/those) separation(s)?	Biological father Maternal grandparent Paternal grandparent Other relative/friend Foster parent Institution/group home Hospital 1 Other (not specified) 101 Child services 102 Unspecified grandparent 103 Babysitter -1 Refused -6 Skip -9 Not in wave	Mothers currently living with focal child	SECTION B: Child Well-Being and Mothering	m2b15a1 m2b15a2 m2b15a3 m2b15a4 m2b15a5 m2b15a6 m2b15a7 m2b15a8	5, 17, 18, 36	170 211 92 134 11 2 16 36 1 1 2 1 3,796 534
	Relation	nship History				
What was your relationship with (FATHER) when (CHILD) was born? Were you	1 Married 2 Romantically involved 3 Separated/Divorced 4 Just friends 5 Not in any kind of a relationship -1 Refused -2 Don't know -9 Not in wave -13 Father not known at time of birth -14 Volunteered, different father	All mothers	SECTION A: Family Characteristics	m2a6	5	1,114 2,475 49 347 328 7 1 534 24
What was your relationship with (FATHER) when (CHILD) was born? Were you	1 Married 2 Romantically involved 3 Separated/Divorced 4 Just friends 5 Not in any kind of a relationship -5 Not asked -6 Skip -9 Not in wave	Mothers who report a DIFFERENT FATHER in m2a6 (18 cities only)	SECTION A: Family Characteristics	m2a6b	5, 6, 7	7 9 0 3 5 577 3,768 534

When (CHILD) was born, were you and (FATHER) living together	1 All or most of the time 2 Some of the time 3 Rarely 4 Never 203 Rarely/Never -2 Don't know -6 Skip -9 Not in wave	Mothers married or romantically involved with FATHER when focal child was born	SECTION A: Family Characteristics	m2a6c	5, 15	2,759 311 57 410 62 1 764 534
	Non-Fo	cal Children				
Including (CHILD), how many biological children do you have with (FATHER)? Include children who do not live with you as well as children who do live with you.	1 2	All mothers	SECTION A: Family Characteristics	m2a12	5	2,705 1,129 3 2 3 8 543
Do you have any children by someone other than (FATHER)?	1 Yes 2 No -1 Refuse -2 Don't know -6 Skip -9 Not in wave	All mothers	SECTION C: Father- Child Relationship	m2c24	5	1,537 2,762 6 3 56 534
How many children do you have with someone other than (FATHER)?	1 2 10 -1 Refuse -6 Skip -9 Not in wave	Mothers who have children by someone other than FATHER	SECTION C: Father- Child Relationship	m2c24a	5	886 389 1 1 2,827 534
Do these [NUMBER IN C24A] children have the same father?	1 Yes 2 No -2 Don't know -5 Not asked -6 Skip -9 Not in wave	Mothers who have more than one child by someone other than FATHER (18 cities only)	SECTION C: Father- Child Relationship	m2c24b	5, 6, 7	287 275 1 87 3,714 534

How many different fathers do these [NUMBER IN C24A] children have?	2 3 4 5 6 -1 Refuse -2 Don't know -5 Not asked -6 Skip -9 Not in wave	Mothers who have more than one child by more than one father other than FATHER (18 cities only)	SECTION C: Father- Child Relationship	m2c24c	5, 6, 7	220 39 13 1 1 1 1 87 4,001
Do you have any other biological children who are not living with you now?	1 Yes 2 No -1 Refuse -2 Don't know -6 Skip -9 Not in wave	Mothers with more than one biological child	SECTION F: Demographics	m2f4	5	332 2,425 2 5 1,600 534
How many other living children do you have who don't live with you?	1 2 10 -2 Don't know -6 Skip -9 Not in wave	Mothers with more than one biological child	SECTION F: Demographics	m2f4a	5	192 77 1 2 4,032 534
Since (CHILD) was born, have you had another baby or are you pregnant now?	1 Yes, had another baby 2 Yes, pregnant now 3 Yes, had another baby and is pregnant 4 No -1 Refuse -2 Don't know -6 Skip -9 Not in wave	All mothers	SECTION F: Demographics	m2f6	5	215 335 12 3,763 3 12 24 534

CONSTRUCTED- Number of biological children mother has	1 2 16 -3 Missing -9 Not in wave	All mothers	CONSTRUCTED VARIABLES: Demographics & Household Composition	cm2biok	5, 8, 10	1,643 1,414 : : 1 3 534
Does (FATHER) have any children by someone else?	1 Yes 2 No -1 Refuse -2 Don't know -6 Skip -9 Not in wave	All mothers	SECTION C: Father- Child Relationship	m2c26	5	1,535 2,626 11 136 56 534
How many other children does (FATHER) have?	1 2 20 -1 Refuse -2 Don't know -6 Skip -9 Not in wave	Mothers where FATHER has children by someone else	SECTION C: Father- Child Relationship	m2c27	5	693 419 : : 1 7 30 2,829 534
	Father's Conta	act with Focal Child	d			
Since (CHILD) was born, has (FATHER) seen (him/her)?	1 Yes 2 No 0 Doesn't know about child -1 Refused -2 Don't know -6 Skip -9 Not in wave	All mothers	SECTION C: Father- Child Relationship	m2c2	5	1,479 171 11 3 2 2,698 534
During the past 30 days, how many days has (FATHER) seen (CHILD)?	0 1 30 -1 Refused -2 Don't know -6 Skip -9 Not in wave	Mothers where FATHER has seen CHILD	SECTION C: Father- Child Relationship	m2c2a	5	414 95 200 2 19 2,885 534

When did (FATHER) last see (CHILD)? (Month)	1 January 2 February	Mothers where FATHER has seen CHILD	SECTION C: Father- Child Relationship	m2c2b1	5	32 42 36 19 3,950 534
When did (FATHER) last see (CHILD)? (Year)	1998 1999 2000 2001 -2 Don't know -6 Skip -9 Not in wave		SECTION C: Father- Child Relationship	m2c2b2	5	17 61 198 134 4 3,950
Since (CHILD'S) birth, has (CHILD) ever stayed overnight with (FATHER)?	1 Yes 2 No -2 Don't know -5 Not asked -6 Skip -9 Not in wave			m2c2e	5, 6, 7	737 567 2 173 2,885 534
How many nights altogether has (CHILD) spent with (FATHER)?	1 2 999 -1 Refuse -2 Don't know -3 Missing -4 -5 Not asked -6 Skip -9 Not in wave	Mothers where FATHER has seen CHILD (18 cities only)	SECTION C: Father-Child Relationship	m2c2f	5, 6, 7	53 44
Has (FATHER'S) legal paternity been established? That is, did he sign any document that identifies him as the legal father of (CHILD)? Or, has the court ruled that he is the father?	1 Yes, legal paternity 2 No -1 Refuse -2 Don't know -6 Skip -9 Not in wave	Mothers who were NOT married to FATHER at CHILD's birth	SECTION C: Father- Child Relationship	m2c8a	5	2,179 981 7 29 1,168 534

Family Background

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Now I would like to ask you some questions about your biological father and his involvement in your life while you were growing up. Would you say he was	1 Very Involved 2 Somewhat involved 3 Not at all involved -1 Refuse -2 Don't know -9 Not in wave	All mothers	SECTION G: Mother's Family Background and Support	m2g7	5	1,692 1,440 1,135 19 78 534		
Did you know your biological father when you were growing up?	1 Yes 2 No -1 Refuse -2 Don't know -6 Skip -9 Not in wave	Mothers whose bio fathers were not at all involved	SECTION G: Mother's Family Background and Support	m2g7a	5	622 581 8 21 3,132 534		
Was there another man who was like a father to you when you were growing up?	1 Yes 2 No -1 Refuse -2 Don't know -6 Skip -9 Not in wave	Mothers whose bio fathers were not very involved	SECTION G: Mother's Family Background and Support	m2g8	5	1,177 1,486 6 3 1,692 534		
Who was this person?	CIRCLE ONE 1 Adoptive father 2 Stepfather 3 Foster father 4 Mother's partner 5 Uncle 6 Grandfather 7 Brother (including step and half brothers) 8 Cousin 9 Minister/clergy member 10 Teacher 11 Neighbor 12 Other (not specified)	Mothers whose bio fathers were not very involved	SECTION G: Mother's Family Background and Support	m2g8a	5, 18	42 668 16 116 81 160 24 2 5 1 4		

Who was this person?	101 Brother-in-law					5
	102 Friend		Section G: Mother's Family Background and Support	m2g8a	5, 18	24
	3 God father					11
104 Ex-husband -1 Refuse -2 Don't know -6 Skip	104 Ex-husband	Mothers whose bio fathers were not very involved				2
	-1 Refuse					4
	-2 Don't know					2
	-6 Skip					3,187
	-9 Not in wave					534

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