

# National Longitudinal Study of Adolescent Health

## Relationship Quality

Question	Response	Partner #	Codebook Location	Variable Name	Variable Notes	Valid Cases	
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Respondent's report on their own relationship: Wave 1							
In the last 18 months—since {MONTH, YEAR}—have you had a special romantic relationship with anyone?	0 No 1 Yes		Section 22: Romantic Relationship Roster	H1RR1	4	6,460	20,610
TAKE OUT ALL THE CARDS THAT DESCRIBE THINGS THAT HAVE <u>NOT</u> HAPPENED IN YOUR ROMANTIC RELATIONSHIP WITH {INITIALS}. A. We went out together in a group.	0 Card rejected 1 Card accepted	1	Section 25: Relationship Information	H1RI21A1		3,977	12,690
		2		H1RI21A2		1,177	3,389
		3		H1RI21A3		335	1,149
B. I met my partner's parents.	0 Card rejected 1 Card accepted	1		H1RI21B1		3,977	12,690
		2		H1RI21B2		1,177	3,389
		3		H1RI21B3		335	1,149
C. I told other people that we were a couple.	0 Card rejected 1 Card accepted	1		H1RI21C1		3,977	12,690
		2		H1RI21C2		1,177	3,389
		3		H1RI21C3		335	1,149
D. I saw less of my other friends so I could spend more time with my partner.	0 Card rejected 1 Card accepted	1		H1RI21D1		3,977	12,690
		2		H1RI21D2		1,177	3,389
		3		H1RI21D3		335	1,149
E. We went out together alone.	0 Card rejected 1 Card accepted	1		H1RI21E1		3,977	12,690
		2		H1RI21E2		1,177	3,389
		3		H1RI21E3		335	1,149
F. We held hands.	0 Card rejected 1 Card accepted	1		H1RI21F1		3,977	12,690
		2		H1RI21F2		1,177	3,389
		3		H1RI21F3		335	1,149
G. I gave my partner a present.	0 Card rejected 1 Card accepted	1		H1RI21G1		3,977	12,690
		2		H1RI21G2		1,177	3,389
		3		H1RI21G3		335	1,149
H. My partner gave me a present.	0 Card rejected 1 Card accepted	1		H1RI21H1		3,977	12,690
		2		H1RI21H2		1,177	3,389
		3		H1RI21H3		335	1,149

I. I told my partner that I loved him or her.	0 Card rejected 1 Card accepted	1	Section 25: Relationship Information	H1RI21I1	3,977	12,690
		2		H1RI21I2	1,177	3,389
		3		H1RI21I3	335	1,149
J. My partner told me that he or she loved me.	0 Card rejected 1 Card accepted	1		H1RI21J1	3,977	12,690
		2		H1RI21J2	1,177	3,389
		3		H1RI21J3	335	1,149
K. We thought of ourselves as a couple.	0 Card rejected 1 Card accepted	1		H1RI21K1	3,977	12,690
		2		H1RI21K2	1,177	3,389
		3		H1RI21K3	335	1,149
L. We talked about contraception or sexually transmitted diseases.	0 Card rejected 1 Card accepted	1		H1RI21L1	3,977	12,690
		2		H1RI21L2	1,177	3,389
		3		H1RI21L3	335	1,149
M. We kissed.	0 Card rejected 1 Card accepted	1		H1RI21M1	3,977	12,690
		2		H1RI21M2	1,177	3,389
		3		H1RI21M3	335	1,149
N. We touched each other under our clothing or with no clothes on.	0 Card rejected 1 Card accepted	1		H1RI21N1	3,977	12,690
		2		H1RI21N2	1,177	3,389
		3		H1RI21N3	335	1,149
O. We had sexual intercourse.	0 Card rejected 1 Card accepted	1		H1RI21O1	3,977	12,690
		2		H1RI21O2	1,177	3,389
		3		H1RI21O3	335	1,149
P. We touched each others' genitals (private parts).	0 Card rejected 1 Card accepted	1		H1RI21P1	3,977	12,690
		2		H1RI21P2	1,177	3,389
		3		H1RI21P3	335	1,149
Q. If R is male: My partner got pregnant. If R is female: I got pregnant.	0 Card rejected 1 Card accepted	1		H1RI21Q1	3,977	12,690
		2		H1RI21Q2	1,177	3,389
		3		H1RI21Q3	335	1,149
R. We got married	0 Card rejected 1 Card accepted	1		H1RI21R1	3,977	12,690
		2		H1RI21R2	1,177	3,389
		3		H1RI21R3	335	1,149

Parent's report on their own relationship: Wave 1

How would you rate your relationships with your current (spouse/partner)?	1 Completely unhappy 2 3 : : 10 Completely happy	Current spouse or partner	Section B: Current spouse or partner	PB18	1	4,109	12,771
In the past year, have you and your current (spouse/partner) talked to each other about separating?	0 No 1 Yes			PB19		4,118	12,796
How much do you fight or argue with your current (spouse/partner)?	1 A lot 2 Some 3 A little 4 Not at all			PB20		4,121	12,780

Respondent's report on their own relationship: Wave 2

PLACE THE CARDS IN THE ORDER IN WHICH THEY FIRST HAPPENED IN THEIR ROMANTIC RELATIONSHIP WITH {INITIALS}.			Section 24: Relationship Information				
A. We went out together in a group.	0 Card rejected 1 Card accepted	1 2 3		H2RI33A1 H2RI33A2 H2RI33A3	2.3 2.3 2.3	3,070 823 289	9,355 2,532 846
B. I met my partner's parents.	0 Card rejected 1 Card accepted	1 2 3		H2RI33B1 H2RI33B2 H2RI33B3	2.3 2.3 2.3	3,074 829 287	9,374 2,541 847
C. I told other people that we were a couple.	0 Card rejected 1 Card accepted	1 2 3		H2RI33C1 H2RI33C2 H2RI33C3	2.3 2.3 2.3	3,068 828 287	9,375 2,546 845
D. I saw less of my other friends so I could spend more time with my partner.	0 Card rejected 1 Card accepted	1 2 3		H2RI33D1 H2RI33D2 H2RI33D3	2.3 2.3 2.3	3,065 827 288	9,372 2,543 845
E. We went out together alone.	0 Card rejected 1 Card accepted	1 2 3		H2RI33E1 H2RI33E2 H2RI33E3	2.3 2.3 2.3	3,073 829 287	9,382 2,547 847
F. We held hands.	0 Card rejected 1 Card accepted	1 2 3		H2RI33F1 H2RI33F2 H2RI33F3	2.3 2.3 2.3	3,077 829 287	9,381 2,545 847

G. We gave each other presents.	0 Card rejected 1 Card accepted	1	Section 24: Relationship Information	H2RI33G1	2.3	3,075	9,388
		2		H2RI33G2	2.3	826	2,541
		3		H2RI33G3	2.3	287	845
H. We told each other we loved one another.	0 Card rejected 1 Card accepted	1	Section 24: Relationship Information	H2RI33H1	2.3	3,073	9,378
		2		H2RI33H2	2.3	826	2,540
		3		H2RI33H3	2.3	287	845
I. We thought of ourselves as a couple.	0 Card rejected 1 Card accepted	1	Section 24: Relationship Information	H2RI33I1	2.3	3,072	9,384
		2		H2RI33I2	2.3	827	2,542
		3		H2RI33I3	2.3	288	846
J. We talked about contraception or sexually transmitted diseases.	0 Card rejected 1 Card accepted	1	Section 24: Relationship Information	H2RI33J1	2.3	3,070	9,382
		2		H2RI33J2	2.3	827	2,542
		3		H2RI33J3	2.3	288	847
K. We kissed.	0 Card rejected 1 Card accepted	1	Section 24: Relationship Information	H2RI33K1	2.3	3,072	9,384
		2		H2RI33K2	2.3	830	2,544
		3		H2RI33K3	2.3	287	849
L. We touched each other under our clothing or with no clothes on.	0 Card rejected 1 Card accepted	1	Section 24: Relationship Information	H2RI33L1	2.3	3,069	9,375
		2		H2RI33L2	2.3	826	2,542
		3		H2RI33L3	2.3	287	847
M. We had sexual intercourse.	0 Card rejected 1 Card accepted	1	Section 24: Relationship Information	H2RI33M1	2.3	3,068	9,377
		2		H2RI33M2	2.3	827	2,540
		3		H2RI33M3	2.3	286	845
N. We touched each others' genitals (private parts).	0 Card rejected 1 Card accepted	1	Section 24: Relationship Information	H2RI33N1	2.3	3,070	9,377
		2		H2RI33N2	2.3	828	2,542
		3		H2RI33N3	2.3	287	846
O. My partner or I got pregnant.	0 Card rejected 1 Card accepted	1	Section 24: Relationship Information	H2RI33O1	2.3	3,070	9,378
		2		H2RI33O2	2.3	825	2,532
		3		H2RI33O3	2.3	287	846
DURING YOUR RELATIONSHIP WITH {INITIALS}, DID {INITIALS} DO ANY OF THE FOLLOWING TO YOU?			Section 24: Relationship Information				
A. Call you names, insult you, or treat you disrespectfully in front of others.	0 No 1 Yes	1		H2RI9_1	4	3,116	9,511
		2		H2RI9_2	4	845	2,584
		3		H2RI9_3	4	293	858

B. Swear at you.	0 No	1	Section 24: Relationship Information	H2RI11_1	4	3,114	9,508
	1 Yes	2		H2RI11_2	4	848	2,589
		3		H2RI11_3	4	294	860
C. Threaten you with violence.	0 No	1		H2RI13_1	4	3,115	9,513
	1 Yes	2		H2RI13_2	4	848	2,588
		3		H2RI13_3	4	295	862
D. Push or shove you.	0 No	1		H2RI15_1	4	3,116	9,518
	1 Yes	2		H2RI15_2	4	846	2,588
		3		H2RI15_3	4	295	862
E. Throw something at you that could hurt you.	0 No	1		H2RI17_1	4	3,117	9,518
	1 Yes	2		H2RI17_2	4	847	2,589
		3		H2RI17_3	4	295	861

Respondent's report on their own relationship: Wave 3

How often in the past year have you threatened <PARTNER> with violence, pushed or shoved {HIM/HER}, or thrown something at {HIM/HER} that could hurt?	0 Never	Current partner	Section 19: Relationships in detail	H3RD109	5	6,572	20,291
	1 Once						
	2 Twice						
	3 3 to 5 times						
	4 6 to 10 times						
	5 11 to 20 times						
	6 More than 20 times						
7 This hasn't happened in the past year, but did happen before then							
How often has <PARTNER> threatened you with violence, pushed or shoved you, or thrown something at you that could hurt?	0 Never	Current partner	Section 19: Relationships in detail	H3RD110	5	6,587	20,342
	1 Once						
	2 Twice						
	3 3 to 5 times						
	4 6 to 10 times						
	5 11 to 20 times						
	6 More than 20 times						
7 This hasn't happened in the past year, but did happen before then							
How often have you slapped, hit, or kicked <PARTNER>?	0 Never	Current partner	Section 19: Relationships in detail	H3RD111	5	6,598	20,373
	1 Once						
	2 Twice						
	3 3 to 5 times						
	4 6 to 10 times						
	5 11 to 20 times						
	6 More than 20 times						
7 This hasn't happened in the past year, but did happen before then							

<p>How often has &lt;PARTNER&gt; slapped, hit, or kicked you?</p>	<p>0 Never 1 Once 2 Twice 3 3 to 5 times 4 6 to 10 times 5 11 to 20 times 6 More than 20 times 7 This hasn't happened in the past year, but did happen before then</p>	<p>Current partner</p>	<p>Section 19: Relationships in detail</p>	<p>H3RD112</p>	<p>5</p>	<p>6,597</p>	<p>20,377</p>
<p>How often have you insisted on or made &lt;PARTNER&gt; have sexual relations with you when {HE/SHE} didn't want to?</p>	<p>0 Never 1 Once 2 Twice 3 3 to 5 times 4 6 to 10 times 5 11 to 20 times 6 More than 20 times 7 This hasn't happened in the past year, but did happen before then</p>			<p>H3RD113</p>	<p>5</p>	<p>6,597</p>	<p>20,364</p>
<p>How often has &lt;PARTNER&gt; insisted on or made you have sexual relations with {HIM/HER} when you didn't want to?</p>	<p>0 Never 1 Once 2 Twice 3 3 to 5 times 4 6 to 10 times 5 11 to 20 times 6 More than 20 times 7 This hasn't happened in the past year, but did happen before then</p>			<p>H3RD114</p>	<p>5</p>	<p>6,598</p>	<p>20,367</p>
<p>How often have you had an injury, such as a sprain, bruise, or cut because of a fight with &lt;PARTNER&gt;?</p>	<p>0 Never 1 Once 2 Twice 3 3 to 5 times 4 6 to 10 times 5 11 to 20 times 6 More than 20 times 7 This hasn't happened in the past year, but did happen before then</p>			<p>H3RD115</p>	<p>5</p>	<p>6,599</p>	<p>20,384</p>

How often has <PARTNER> had an injury, such as a sprain, bruise, or cut because of a fight with you?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>0 Never</li> <li>1 Once</li> <li>2 Twice</li> <li>3 3 to 5 times</li> <li>4 6 to 10 times</li> <li>5 11 to 20 times</li> <li>6 More than 20 times</li> <li>7 This hasn't happened in the past year, but did happen before then</li> </ul>			H3RD116	5	6,603	20,392
Do you and <PARTNER> have a joint bank account?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>0 No</li> <li>1 Yes</li> </ul>			H3RD117	5	6,645	20,498
Have you and <PARTNER> ever purchased anything together that cost more than \$500?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>0 No</li> <li>1 Yes</li> </ul>			H3RD118	5	6,640	20,489
Considering what you put into the relationship compared to what you get out of it, and what <PARTNER> puts in compared to what {HE/SHE} gets out, who is getting a better deal in the relationship?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1 I am getting a much better deal than &lt;PARTNER&gt;</li> <li>2 I am getting a somewhat better deal</li> <li>3 We are both getting an equally good or equally bad deal</li> <li>4 &lt;PARTNER&gt; is getting a somewhat better deal</li> <li>5 &lt;PARTNER&gt; is getting a much better deal</li> </ul>			H3RD122	5	1,290	4,088
In general, how satisfied are you with your relationship with <PARTNER>?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1 Very satisfied</li> <li>2 Somewhat satisfied</li> <li>3 Neither satisfied or dissatisfied</li> <li>4 Somewhat dissatisfied</li> <li>5 Very dissatisfied</li> </ul>			H3RD119	5	1,304	4,132
How much do you love <PARTNER>?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>0 A lot</li> <li>1 Somewhat</li> <li>2 A little</li> <li>3 Not at all</li> </ul>			H3RD120		6,602	20,353
How much do you think <PARTNER> loves you?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>0 A lot</li> <li>1 Somewhat</li> <li>2 A little</li> <li>3 Not at all</li> </ul>			H3RD121	5	6,535	20,164

Current partner

Section 19: Relationships in detail

How committed are you to your relationship with <PARTNER>?	1 Completely committed 2 Very committed 3 Moderately committed 4 Somewhat committed 5 Not at all committed	Current partner	Section 19: Relationships in detail	H3BM1		1,275	4,002
How likely is it that your relationship with <PARTNER> will be permanent?	1 Almost certain 2 A good chance 3 A 50-50 chance 4 Some chance but probably not 5 Almost no chance			H3BM3		1,277	4,024
Select the picture, by entering the number under the picture, that best illustrates how close you feel to <PARTNER>.	1 Picture 1 2 Picture 2 3 Picture 3 . . 7 Picture 7			H3BM2	6	1,310	4,118

Respondent's report on their own relationship: Wave 4

HOW MUCH DO YOU AGREE OR DISAGREE WITH THE FOLLOWING STATEMENTS ABOUT YOUR RELATIONSHIPS WITH {INITIALS}? A. We (enjoy/enjoyed) doing even ordinary, day-to-day things together. B. I (am/was) satisfied with the way we handle our problems and disagreements. C. I (am/was) satisfied with the way we handle family finances. D. My partner (listens/listened) to me when I need someone to talk to. E. My partner (expresses/expressed) love and affection to me. F. I (am/was) satisfied with our sex life. G. I (trust/trusted) my partner to be faithful to me.	1 Strongly agree 2 Agree 3 Neither agree nor disagree 4 Disagree 5 Strongly Disagree 96 Refused 98 Don't know	Current or the most recent partner	Section 17: Relationships in detail <sup>7</sup>	H4RD7A			15,151
				H4RD7B			15,153
				H4RD7C			15,088
				H4RD7D			15,147
				H4RD7E			15,145
				H4RD7F			15,111
				H4RD7G			15,134
How much do you love {initials}?	1 A lot 2 Somewhat 3 A little 4 Not at all 6 Refused 7 Legitimate 8 Don't know			H4RD8			12,395



In general, how happy are you in your relationship with {initials}?	1 Very happy 2 Fairly happy 3 Not too happy 6 Refused 7 Legitimate skip 8 Don't know	Current partner	Section 17: Relationships in detail <sup>7</sup>	H4RD9		12,388
How committed are you to your relationship with {initials}?	1 Completely committed 2 Very committed 3 Somewhat committed 4 Not at all committed 6 Refused 7 Legitimate skip 8 Don't know			H4RD10		12,392
What is the chance that you and {initials} will marry each other?	0 No chance 1 A little chance 2 50-50 chance 3 A pretty good chance 4 An almost certain chance 5 Not asked in pretest 6 Refused 7 Legitimate skip 8 Don't know	Current unmarried partner		H4RD11	8	5,681
Select the picture, by entering the number under the picture, which best illustrates how close you feel to {initials}.	1 Diagram 1 2 Diagram 2 3 Diagram 3 . . 7 Diagram 7 96 Refused 98 Legitimate skip 98 Don't know			H4RD12		12,388
How likely is it that your relationship with {initials} will be permanent?	1 Almost certain 2 A good chance 3 A 50-50 chance 4 Some chance, but probably not 5 Almost no chance 96 Refused 97 Legitimate skip 98 Don't know			H4RD13		12,387
As far as you know, during the time you and {initials} (have had/had) a sexual relationship, (has/did) {initials} ever (had/have) any other sexual partners?	0 No 1 Yes 6 Refused 8 Don't know	Current or the most recent partner		H4RD16		14,936
During the time you and {initials} (have had/had) a sexual relationship (have/did) you ever (had/have) any other sexual partners?	0 No 1 Yes 6 Refused 8 Don't know			H4RD17		15,065

NO MATTER HOW WELL A COUPLE GETS ALONG, THERE ARE TIMES WHEN THEY DISAGREE OR FIGHT. COUPLES HAVE MANY WAYS OF SETTling THEIR DIFFERENCES. PLEASE INDICATE HOW OFTEN EACH OF THE FOLLOWING THINGS HAS OCCURRED IN YOUR RELATIONSHIP WITH {INITIALS}.

1. How often (has/did) {initials} (threatened/threaten) you with violence, (pushed/push) or (shoved/shove) you, or (thrown/throw) something at you that could hurt?
2. How often (has/did) {initials} (slapped/slap), hit or (kicked/kick) you?
3. How often (have/did) you (had/have) an injury, such as a sprain, bruise, or cut because of a fight with {initials}?
4. How often (has/did) {initials} (insisted/insist) on or (made/make) you have sexual relations with (him/her) when you didn't want to?
5. How often (have/did) you threatened {initials} with violence, pushed or shoved (him/her), or thrown something at (him/her) that could hurt?
6. How often (have/did) you (slapped/slap), hit, or (kicked/kick) {initials}?
7. How often (has/did) {initials} (had/have) an injury, such as a sprain, bruise, or cut because of a fight with you?
8. How often (have/did) you (insisted/insist) on or (made/make) {initials} have sexual relations with you when (he/she) didn't want to?

0 Never  
 1 This has not happened in the past year, but it did happen before then  
 2 Once in the last year of the relationship  
 3 Twice in the last year of the relationship  
 4 3 to 5 times in the last year of the relationship  
 5 6 to 10 times in the last year of the relationship  
 6 11 to 20 times in the last year of the relationship  
 7 More than 20 times in the last year of the relationship  
 96 Refused  
 97 Legitimate skip  
 98 Don't know

Current or the most recent partner

Section 17:  
 Relationships in detail <sup>7</sup>

H4RD18	9
H4RD19	9
H4RD20	10
H4RD21	
H4RD22	
H4RD23	
H4RD24	11
H4RD25	

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