National Longitudinal Study of Adolescent Health



Social, Behavioral, and Biological Linkages Across the Life Course







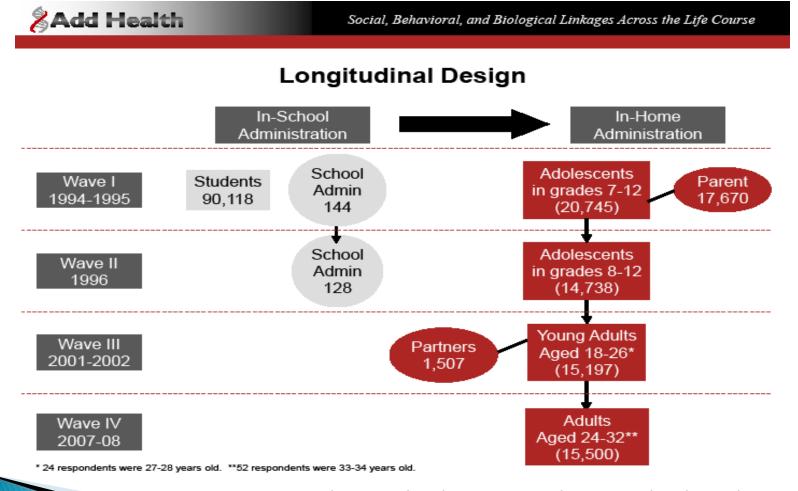






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2. Study Design (Add Health)



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2. Wave I: In-Home Component

In-home Interview (1995) (General Wave I response rate is 78.9%).

 Audio Computer-Assisted Self Interview (ACASI) was administered to the adolescent.

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Parent Interview (85.4% response rate)

 A parent or guardian was interviewed during Wave I of the study.

2. Wave II: In-Home Component

Wave II Sample Selection (Grades 8-12) (1996) (response rate: 88.2%)

2. Wave III: In-Home Component

Wave III In-home Components (ages 18-26) (2001-2002) (Response rate: 77.4%).

- Wave III respondents 15,197
- Romantic partners 1,507

2. Wave IV: In-Home

Wave IV Sample Selection (Ages 24-32) (N=15,500) (2007-2008) Response rate is 80.3%.

Follow all Wave I respondents.

- Wave III: In-Home Sample
 - "Has your biological father ever served time in jail or prison?" (1=yes).
 - 14.7% biological father incarcerated

- Wave IV: In-home Sample
 - "Has/did your biological father ever (spend/spent) time in jail or prison?" (1=yes).
 - 15.6% biological father incarcerated

- Reliability:
- Correlation in reports of paternal imprisonment between waves III and IV is r=.63, (p<.001).
- If exclude new onset cases at Wave IV, the correlation across waves is r=.82, (p<.001).

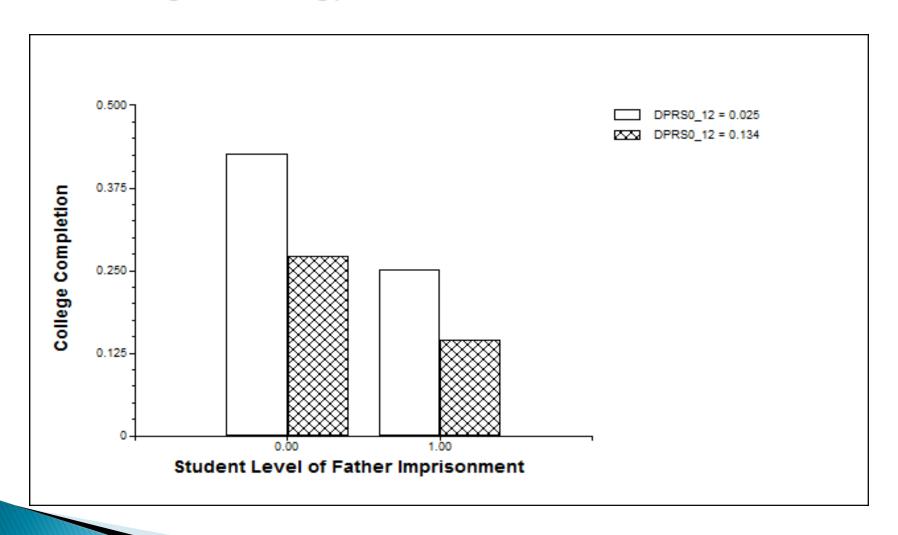
- Wave IV: In-home Sample
- "Has/did your biological mother ever (spend/spent) time in jail or prison?" (1 = yes).
- 4.2% biological mother incarcerated

- Questions also asked on biological father and mother imprisonment:
- How many times (has/did) your biological mother (spend/spent) time in jail or prison?
 - Mothers: 1–20 times
 - Fathers: 1–53 times

- How old were you when your biological mother went to prison (the first time)?
- How old were you when your biological mother went to prison (the last time)?

- Father Figure Imprisonment (man who raised you, if you have more than one father figure, choose the one that is most important to you):
- Follow up questions on non-biological father figures:
 - 12.2% ever imprisoned
- Follow up questions on non-biological mother figures:
 - 1.8% ever imprisoned

5. School Level Parental Incarceration (Hagan & Foster, forthcoming in *Sociology of Education*).



Add Health data:

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