

Inventory of International Surveys on Children and Youth

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Introduction

The shift to the knowledge based economy and the need for future knowledge workers has prompted many countries to launch surveys of children and youth in order to better understand the characteristics of workers new to the labour market. Many of these surveys provide data for a wide examination of education, family and life experience and support research focused on the preparation for work and adulthood as well as their transition to the labour force.

The inventory of international surveys of children and youth was prepared as a reference document for researchers for three reasons. First, the survey experiences with respect to sampling, content themes and instruments can be valuable for similar surveys elsewhere. Second, the research flowing from such surveys can provide key insights for future work. Third, such an inventory could stimulate international collaboration and, where possible, comparisons. All of these can result in advancing knowledge on a major area of mutual interest to many countries.

The document presents a list of 78 international surveys on children and youth (0-30 years of age) collected from 23 countries. The list is intended to be neither complete nor comprehensive. The surveys are organized alphabetically by the country of origin. The information presented for each survey includes the name and sponsors of the survey along with key characteristics of the survey followed by a short description and key references, if any.

For quick retrieval, key information is shown in summary tables covering the characteristics of the surveys.

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Australia

1. Youth in Transition

Period of investigation: 1978 - 1996
Sample size: 6,000
Coverage: National
Age group involved: 17-33
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16-18 Mort Street, Canberra ACT 2600
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Fax: N/A
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Description:

Youth in Transition is a program of longitudinal surveys conducted by the Australian Council for Educational Research (ACER). It began in 1978 with the survey of a single national sample of 17-year-olds, more than 6000 persons who had been born in 1961. In 1981, 1985 and 1989 similarly sized samples from 1965, 1970 and 1975 birth cohorts were added to the program. Up to 1996 the annual surveys of these samples have yielded information covering ages 17 to 33 years for the 1961 cohort (finished in 1994), 16 to 30 years for the sample born in 1965 (finished in 1995), 15 to 24 years for those born in 1970 (finished in 1994), and 14 to 21 years for the newest of the samples, those born in 1975. Data will continue to be gathered from this 1975 cohort. Gaps in the otherwise annual cycle of surveys, as in the case of the 1961 cohort in 1985 and 1988, indicate where resource constraints precluded a survey in that year.

Reading comprehension/numeracy achievement data were also collected.

2. Australian Longitudinal Survey

Period of investigation: 1985-1991
Sample size: 9,000
Coverage: National
Age group involved: 16-25
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Description:

The survey is aimed principally at examining questions related to long-term unemployment which are difficult to address using available sources of cross-sectional data. Labour market variables include job history, job search behaviour, job training and transition from school/study to work. Background variables and topics related to the main labour market theme include education, occupation, health, and attitudes to women working. Basic demographic variables include age, sex, size of household, country of birth, racial origin, parental education and occupation, spouse's education and occupation, religion, income and whether resident in an urban or rural area.

3. Australian Youth Survey

Period of investigation: 1989-1994
Sample size: Initial sample of 5,350. Annual addition of 14 and 16-year olds
Coverage: National
Age group involved: 16-19 year-olds
Contact: William Thorn
Address: Commonwealth Department of Education, Training and Youth Affairs, GPO Box 9880, Canberra ACT 2601, 16-18 Mort Street, Canberra ACT 2600
Tel.: 02 6240 8111
Fax: N/A
Email: william.thorn@detya.gov.au

Description:

The Australian Youth Survey (AYS) is a school based longitudinal survey program based on annual interviews with a cohort of young people aged 16-19 in 1989, with a new sample of 16-year-olds added each year from 1990-1994. It investigated six age cohorts. 1997 was the last time the survey was carried out.

The survey aims mainly at providing data on the dynamics of the youth labour market, and in particular to address questions which are not readily covered with available sources of cross-sectional data. Labour market topics include detailed work history, job search behaviour, job training and experience with the Commonwealth Employment Service. Other topics related to the main labour market theme include secondary schooling and retention to Year 12, career advice, post-secondary education and qualifications, transition from school/study to work, health, housing and financial conditions.

Basic demographic variables include age, sex, marital status, size of household, country of birth, racial origin, parental education and occupation, religion, income, and area of residence.

Reading comprehension/numeracy achievement data was collected for the school based samples.

4. Longitudinal Survey of Australian Youth

Period of investigation: 1995-1998
Sample size: 13,000
Coverage: National
Age group involved: 15-27
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Fax: (03) 9277 5500
Email: lsay@acer.edu.au

Description:

Longitudinal Survey of Australian Youth (LSAY) is a program of longitudinal surveys which provides information on patterns of school to work transition. Extensive information is collected on young Australians' educational and labour market experiences. The LSAY program, which is operated by ACER with support from Department of Education, Training and Youth Affairs (DETYA), has accumulated twenty years of data on cohorts of young Australians as they move through education and training and into the labour market. The current program of LSAY work commenced in 1995. It follows two earlier programs of longitudinal studies in Australia: Youth in Transition conducted by ACER; and the Australian Youth Survey (and its predecessor the Australian Longitudinal Survey) conducted by DETYA.

Reading comprehension/numeracy achievement data was also collected.

5. Graduate Destination Survey

Period of investigation: 1998, 2000
Sample size: 121,000
Coverage: National
Age group involved: Graduates
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<http://www.ncver.edu.au>
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Fax: 61 8 8331 9211
Email: ncver@ncver.edu.au

Description:

The UNITEC Graduate Destination Survey (GDS) is a study of the activities of new graduates from programmes of 120 credits or more. The survey is undertaken approximately six months after the completion of their qualifications. Graduates who complete the requirements for their qualifications are surveyed regarding their major activities, including full or part-time employment and further study plans. The survey also gathers graduates overall perceptions of their programme of study.

Information obtained from respondents provides us with valuable insights into the labour market as well as our programmes. This enables us to continuously improve the programmes and services we offer to current and future students.



Austria

6. Youth and Integration

Period of investigation: 1986, 1993
Sample size: 600
Coverage: Regional
Age group involved: 19, 26
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Email: Wolfgang.Schulz@univie.ac.at

Publications:

Schulz, W. Städtische Jugendliche und ihre gesellschaftliche Integration. In: Bundesministerium für Umwelt, Jugend und Familie (ed.) 2. Bericht zur Lage der Jugend, Wien 1993; and others

Description:

Living conditions, work situation, unemployment, partnership, sexuality, leisure, youth culture, alcohol, drugs, deviance, societal and political integration.



Argentina

7. Social Development Survey 1997

Period of investigation: 1997
Sample size: N/A
Coverage: National
Age group involved: 0-4, 5-14, 15-24, 25-64, 65+
Contact: Sistema de Información, Monitoreo y Evaluación de Programas Sociales
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Tel.: (5411) 4349 9214 / 349 9212
Fax: (5411) 4383-2079
Email: info@siempro.goc.ar

Description:

The Social Development Survey covers a wide area of interest. They include: dwelling, household, socio-economic status of the respondent, then breaks up the survey into age cohorts, each designed specifically for that cohort. They include: infants 0-4, children 5-14, youth 15-24, adults 25-64 and adults 65+.



Canada

8. National Longitudinal Survey of Children and Youth

Period of investigation: 1994, 1996, 1998, 2000, 2002 (ongoing)
Sample size: 29,776 in 2000
Coverage: National
Age group involved: 0 – 25
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Publications:

Human Resources Development Canada and Statistics Canada. (1996) *Growing Up in Canada: National Longitudinal Survey of Children and Youth*. Ottawa.

Applied Research Branch, Human Resources Development Canada. (1999) *Investing in Children: Ideas for Action*. Ottawa.

Willms, J. Douglas. (2002) *Vulnerable Children: Findings from Canada's National Longitudinal Survey of Children and Youth*. The University of Alberta Press.

Description:

The National Longitudinal Survey of Children and Youth (NLSCY) is designed to follow a representative sample of Canadian children from 0 to 25 years of age, with data collection occurring at two-year intervals. The current sample of NLSCY children is large enough to permit analysis by cohorts, sub-populations and provinces. In 1994, the first year of data collection, the sample included 22,831 children aged 0 to 11. To meet arising policy demands such as reporting on readiness to learn, the sample may be enhanced on an on-going basis or over-sampling may be undertaken. This is a comprehensive survey, looking at child development in a holistic way. It examines a variety of factors thought to influence child growth and development. Questions are designed to uncover the results of interactions that occur throughout the child's development and socialization, such as the impact of family structure and socio-economic status. Environmental factors are also important to understand the kind of resources that are available to the family and the child. Child development is a complex process. Many key people, such as parents, teachers, child care providers and friends, are involved in a child's life. Thus, both objective and subjective data are collected from different sources including the child. The maturity of the child is also taken into consideration, and age-appropriate measures and collection methods are used.

9. Youth in Transition Survey

Period of investigation: 2000, 2002 – (ongoing every 2 years)
Sample size: 30,000 for 15-year olds and 22,000 for 18 – 20-year olds
Coverage: National
Age group involved: Two age cohorts of 15 and 18 – 20 years old
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Publications:

Bowlby, W. Jeffrey. (2002) *At a Crossroads: First Results from the 18 to 20-Year-old Cohort of the Youth in Transition Survey*. Human Resources Development Canada, Statistics Canada. Ottawa.

Description:

The Youth in Transition Survey (YITS) is a Canadian longitudinal survey designed to collect vital information about major transitions in young people's lives, particularly education, training and work. The first cycle of YITS was administered in 2000 to two different age groups of youth: a younger group 15 years old and older group 18 to 20 years of age. Over 50,000 youth are taking part in the survey across the two age groups, a nationally and provincially representative sample. In addition to the information collected from youth themselves and from the parents of the 15-year olds, the 15-year-old youth were assessed in reading and literacy through the Programme for International Student Assessment PISA. The PISA project was developed by the Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) and implemented in 32 countries in 2000. In 2003, another PISA study will be conducted, and again Canada will follow the new cohort of respondents longitudinally with the Youth in Transition Survey.

10. National Graduates Surveys

Period of investigation: 1982 – (ongoing)
Sample size: 43,040 in 1997
Coverage: National
Age group involved: PSE graduates
Contact: Marc Lachance
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Publications:

Boothby, Daniel. (1999) *Earnings Differences by Detailed Field of Study of University Graduates*. Ottawa.

Frank, Jeff and Bélair Éric. (1999) *South of the Border: An Analysis of Results from the Survey of 1995 Graduates Who Moved to the United States*. Ottawa.

Description:

The National Graduates Surveys (NGS) are designed to obtain information on the relationship between education/training and labour market experiences of post-secondary graduates. The NGS focus on people who obtained a degree, diploma or certificate from a trade/vocational school, a career/technical college (or CEGEP) or a university, and who were still living in Canada at the time of the survey. The NGS are based on a stratified systematic random sample design. In each province, the graduate population of five education levels were surveyed. The sample was further stratified into fields of study, ten for university programs, ten for trade/vocational programs and nine for college graduates. The sample allocation to the strata was made to assure acceptable levels of detail and therefore acceptable data reliability for the provinces, education levels and fields of study. The graduates are surveyed twice, two and five years after graduation.



China

11. Delinquency in a Birth Cohort in the People's Republic of China

Period of Investigation: 1990 - 2000
Coverage: Regional
Age group involved: 15 at initial cycle
Sample size: First cohort 5,341
Contact: Department of Criminology of University of Pennsylvania
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Publications: N/A

Description:

The Delinquency in a Birth Cohort in the People's Republic of China study is a replication of the studies of delinquencies in two birth cohorts born in Philadelphia in 1945 and 1958. The China cohort was born in 1973 in Wuhan, a city then with 2 million inhabitants and 29,976 births. The size of the birth cohort is equivalent to the Philadelphia cohort studies. The data is collected from interviews with subjects, parents, teachers, and neighbourhood committees and through examination of police records and census data. In addition to type of delinquency and data of occurrence, data are obtained on education, type of community, occupation, income, marital status, age, race, sex, family cohesiveness, disciplinary punishments in school, learning attitude, goals in life, and bad habits. It is a longitudinal study that ended in 2000.



Denmark

12. Youth and Adult Education

Period of investigation: 1993
Coverage: Regional
Age group involved: 15+
Sample size: 612 local branches
Contact: Danish Data Archives
Address: Danish Data Archive, Islandsgade 10, DK - 5000 Odense C.,
<http://www.dda.dk>
Tel.: + 45 66 11 30 10
Fax: + 45 66 11 30 60
Email: mailbox@dda.dk

Publications:

Ibsen, B. and Hansen, V. *The Local Branches of Youth and Adult Education. An Analysis of the Local Branches Under the Act on Youth and Adult Education.* 1993.

Description:

When the Act on Youth and Adult Education was passed it was decided that the Act should be reconsidered in the parliamentary session 1994/95. As part of the preparations for this, a number of surveys were initiated, one of these being the present survey of the local branches within youth and adult education. The purpose of the survey is to map out and analyse the development of the organizational structure as well as the structuring of associations and local branches in the field of youth and adult education, and also to examine the effect of the Act on these factors.

13. Youth Benefit Scheme and Job Creation Programme

Period of investigation: 1990
Sample size: 1,500
Coverage: National
Age group involved: 18-19
Contact: Danish Data Archives
Address: Danish Data Archive, Islandsgade 10, DK - 5000 Odense C.,
<http://www.dda.dk>
Tel.: + 45 66 11 30 10
Fax: + 45 66 11 30 60
Email: mailbox@dda.dk

Publications:

Engelund, H.; Klausen, M.; Olsen, H.: Performance Before Achievement. An Evaluation of the Youth Benefit Scheme. Copenhagen, Danish National Institute of Social Research, Rapport 92:20, 1992.

Description:

Young people who receive youth benefit, their labour market and education experiences, participation in and effects of the youth benefit scheme.

14. Education for Everyone

Period of investigation: 1996-1997
Sample size: 1,962
Coverage: National
Age group involved: 15
Contact: Danish Data Archives
Address: Danish Data Archive, Islandsgade 10, DK - 5000 Odense C.,
<http://www.dda.dk>
Tel.: + 45 66 11 30 10
Fax: + 45 66 11 30 60
Email: mailbox@dda.dk

Publications:

Andersen, D.: Choice of Education After the 9th Grade. Part Project under the research project Education for Everyone. Copenhagen, Danish National Institute of Social Research; Rapport 97:3, 1997.

Description:

Young people and education.

15. Youth Unemployment in the Nordic Countries

Period of investigation: 1995
Sample size: 10,000
Coverage: Regional
Age group involved: 16-40
Contact: Danish Data Archives
Address: Danish Data Archive, Islandsgrade 10, DK - 5000 Odense C.,
<http://www.dda.dk>
Tel.: + 45 66 11 30 10
Fax: + 45 66 11 30 60
Email: mailbox@dda.dk

Description:

The purpose of this survey is to obtain information for statistical and scientific assessment of the composition of youth unemployment and the young unemployed people's experiences and labour market "career" in the Nordic capitals. This survey, which is the Danish part of the project, will be related to register information. The data material is obtained by means of interviews with and questionnaires completed by approx. 10,000 unemployed persons between 16 and 40 years of age.

16. Young People: Educational and Occupational Choice

Period of investigation: 1968, 1970, 1971, 1973, 1976 and 1992
Sample size: 2,670
Coverage: National
Age group involved: 14, 16, 17, 19, 22 and 38
Contact: Danish Data Archives
Address: Danish Data Archive, Islandsgrde 10, DK - 5000 Odense C.,
<http://www.dda.dk>
Tel.: + 45 66 11 30 10
Fax: + 45 66 11 30 60
Email: mailbox@dda.dk

Publications:

Hansen, E. J.: *The First Generation of the Welfare State. A Cohort Analysis.* Copenhagen: Danish National Institute of Social Research, 96:4, 1996.

Description:

In 1965 the Danish National Institute of Social Research carried out a survey of the educational conditions of the 14 to 20-year-olds. In continuation of this survey it was decided to examine more closely the process leading to the educational conditions mapped out in the 1965-survey. Thus, in the spring of 1968, the Danish National Institute of Social Research carried out a longitudinal survey of the choice of education and occupation of a generation of adolescents at the request of the Ministry of Education. The aim of this survey, called the youth panel survey, was to examine why some young people choose one type of education in preference to others and one job in preference to others.



Finland

17. The Adolescent Health and Lifestyle Survey

Period of investigation: Every 2nd year since 1977
Sample size: N/A
Coverage: National
Age group involved: 12, 14, 16, 18 ...
Contact: Prof. Arja Rimpelä
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Fax: +358-3-215 6057
Email: arja.rimpela@uta.fi

Description:

Health, life style, health-related behaviour, socio-econ. Background.

18. Survey of School Children in Finland and Japan

Period of investigation: 1995
Sample size: 2,328 in Finland, 2,989 in Japan
Coverage: International
Age group involved: 14-18
Contact: Ministry of Education, Telecom Finland, and OKOBANK
Address: P.O. Box 29, FIN - 00023 GOVERNMENT, FINLAND
Tel.: +358-(0)9-160 04
Fax: +358-(0)9-135 9335
Email: N/A

Description:

A total of 2,328 Finnish and 2,989 Japanese teenagers took part in the survey. Their ages ranged from 14 to 18. The research data was collected with the assistance of schools. The pupils completed the questionnaire during their lessons, as part of the school's daily programme. In Japan the material was collected in June and July 1995, in Finland immediately upon the beginning of school in August and September 1995.

In Japan, Komazawa Women's University and NHK Research Institute assumed responsibility for conducting the survey. In Finland, Finnish Gallup performed the survey at the order of the Maaailma Tutuksi ("Get to Know the World") Association.

Note: Survey also described under Japan.



Germany

19. Social Experiences of Young People in Transition into Working Life

Period of investigation: 1991
Sample size: 153
Coverage: Regional
Age group involved: 20+
Contact: Zentralarchiv Köln, study nr: 6480
Address: Bachemer Str. 40, D-50931 Köln,
P.O. Box 410960, 50869 Köln, <http://www.za.uni-koeln.de>
Tel.: 49-0221-47694-0
Fax: 49-221-47694-44
Email: za@za.uni-koeln.de

Description:

Analysis of changed living conditions, activities and social experiences of young people after conclusion of vocational training or in studies. Topics: Employment status; activity in occupation learned; change of occupation and reasons for this; unemployment; retraining; number of applications; work values (scale); relations in work collective / seminar group; preparation of school for demands of life; preparation of vocational training for occupational activity; willingness to participate in company committees; every-day values such as work, money, harmonic family life, achievement, obedience, knowledge, good relations.



Hungary

20. Youth 1993

Period of investigation: 1993
Sample size: 5,000
Coverage: National
Age group involved: 14-18
Contact: Tarki: Social Research Informatics, Hungary
Address: H-1518 Budapest, Pf. 71, Hungary, <http://www.tarki.hu>
Tel.: 36-1-309-7676
Fax: 36-1-309-7666
Email: tarki@tarki.hu

Description:

Difficulties of starting one's career and unemployment, political attitudes, expectations of future and perspectives of young people, their living conditions, careers and expectations so far.



Ireland

21. Annual School Leavers' Survey

Period of investigation: 1980 – 1998
Sample size: 3,000
Coverage: National
Age group involved: 12-18 months after leaving school
Contact: ESRI
Tel.: (353-1) 667 1525
Fax: (353-1) 668 6231
Email: admin@esri.ie

Publications:

Results of the School Leavers' Surveys, 1995-1997 C. Collins, J. Williams, Department of Enterprise Trade & Employment, Department of Education & Science and the ESRI, December 1998

Description:

The Annual School Leaver's Surveys have been in operation for 19 years – starting in 1980. The current report presents the main findings of the 1998 round of the survey, which was carried out by the ESRI on behalf of the Departments of Enterprise, Trade and Employment, and Education and Science.

The reference cohort in this report is those who left the official second-level system in the 1996/97 academic year (i.e. between September 1996 and the end of August 1997). Since 1995, the school leavers' reports have published information not only from the current year's survey but also comparative details from the previous two rounds of the survey. In addition, in some sections, we present longer-term trends (since 1980) in the experience of school leavers in their first 12-18 months after leaving the second level system. The present report thus concentrates on the findings of the 1998 survey but also provides substantial comparative information from the 1996 and 1997 surveys.



Italy

22. Decision Processes in University Choice

Period of investigation: 1997-1998

Sample size:

Coverage: National

Age group involved: 17-18

Contact: IARD

Address: IARD Istituto di Ricerca S.C.R.L.,
Via Soncino 1, I-20123 Milano, <http://www.IARD.it>

Tel.: 02.86451582

Fax: 02.86451518

Email: iard@iard.it

Description:

Factors influencing choices of universities are investigated.

23. Young People and the Will to Work

Period of investigation: 1996-1997

Sample size: 600

Coverage: National

Age group involved: 18-29

Contact: IARD Istituto di Ricerca

Address: S. C. R. L., Via Concino 1, I-20123 Milano;
Italy, <http://www.IARD.it>

Tel.: 02.86451582

Fax: 02.86451518

Email: iard@iard.it

Description:

Perceptions and attitudes of young Italians regarding manual work, in particular the crafts.

24. National Survey of Youth Conditions

Period of investigation: 1996
Sample size: 2,500
Coverage: National
Age group involved: 15-29
Contact: IARD Istituto di Ricerca
Address: S. C. R. L., Via Concino 1, I-20123 Milano;
Italy, <http://www.IARD.it>
Tel.: 02.86451582
Fax: 02.86451518
Email: iard@iard.it

Description:

Education, work, politics, trust in institutions, regional identity, religion, gender roles, deviance, consumption, sport and leisure time, values.



Japan

25. Survey of School Children in Finland and Japan

Period of investigation: 1995
Sample size: 2,328 in Finland, 2,989 in Japan
Coverage: International
Age group involved: 14-18
Contact: Kanazawa Women's University and NHK Research Institute
Address: Kakuma-machi, Kanazawa, Ishikawa, 920-1192 JAPAN,
<http://www.kanazawa-u.ac.jp/>
Tel.: 076-264-5455
Fax: N/A
Email: now@kanazawa-u.ac.jp

Description:

A total of 2,328 Finnish and 2,989 Japanese teenagers took part in the survey. Their ages ranged from 14 to 18. The research data was collected with the assistance of schools. The pupils completed the questionnaire during their lessons, as part of the school's daily programme. In Japan the material was collected in June and July 1995, in Finland immediately upon the beginning of school in August and September 1995.

In Japan, Komazawa Women's University and NHK Research Institute assumed responsibility for conducting the survey. In Finland, Finnish Gallup performed the survey at the order of the Maailma Tutuksi ("Get to Know the World") Association.

Note: Survey also described in the Finland section.



Netherlands

26. Effects of Student Rail Passport

Period of investigation: 1990-1992
Sample size: 6,283/4,973/2,645
Coverage: National
Age group involved: 16+
Contact: NL NIWI Steinmetz Archive NIWI STAR Nr: P1092
Address: Postbus 95180, 1090 HD Amsterdam, <http://www.niwi.knaw.nl>
Tel.: 020 462 8628
Fax: 020 663 9257
Email: info@niwi.knaw.nl

Description:

Changes in travel behaviour of students who are entitled to a free public transport pass, three waves: 1990, 1991 (introduction of travel pass), 1992.

27. Participation in Organisations and Social Involvement of Dutch Youth

Period of investigation: 1990
Sample size: 970
Coverage: National
Age group involved: 12-24
Contact: NL NIWI Steinmetz Archive NIWI STAR Nr: P1092
Address: Postbus 95180, 1090 HD Amsterdam, <http://www.niwi.knaw.nl>
Tel.: 020 462 8628
Fax: 020 663 9257
Email: info@niwi.knaw.nl

Description:

Organisational level and social involvement in sports clubs, environmental, human rights, liberation, political, cultural and religious organisations.



New Zealand

28. Competent Children Longitudinal Project

Period of investigation:

Sample size: 300

Coverage: National

Age group involved: 5 until leave school

Contact: Cathy Wylie

Address: New Zealand Council for Educational Research
Floor 10, Education House West, 178 Willis Street,
P.O. Box 3237, Wellington, New Zealand

Tel.: 6443847939

Fax: 6443847933

Email: cathy.wylie@nzcer.org.nz

Description:

The Competent Children Longitudinal Project follows a group of approximately 300 New Zealand children from around the age of 5, when they are still in early childhood education, through until they leave school. The main aim is to explore whether home and education have different roles in the development of New Zealand children's competencies (cognitive, social, communicative, and problem-solving) and whether those roles change over time and as children have other experiences. Also, differences in home and educational resources and experiences exist for children. Thus with this in mind, researchers attempt to understand which of these affect children.

29. Dunedin Multidisciplinary Study

Period of investigation: 1972-
Sample size: 1,037
Coverage: Regional
Age group involved: 0-18
Contact: Dunedin Multidisciplinary Health and
Development Research Unit
Address: University of Otago, P.O. Box 913, Dunedin, New Zealand
<http://www.otago.ac.nz/>
Tel.: 03479 8507
Fax: 03474 0916
Email: N/A

Description:

The Dunedin Multidisciplinary study began in 1972-73, and years later they were still in contact with over 97% of the original 1,037 children, including those who have moved out of the country. The particular strength of the Dunedin Study is that it successfully explores the associations between health, development and behaviour at different ages. Linkages such as socio-economic status, education, employment and housing are all issues addressed in the study.

The Dunedin Multi-Disciplinary Health and Development Study interviewed 1,037 children, from birth until age 15 every two years, then every three years until the age of 18.



Poland

30. Poland's First Post-Communist Generation

Period of investigation: 1993
Sample size: 1,800
Coverage: Regional
Age group: 17-19 and 21-24.
Contact: Ken Roberts
Address: The University of Liverpool, Liverpool, L69 3BX
Tel.: 0 151 792 2000 ext. 2971
Fax: 0 151 708 6502
Email: D.M.Oconnor@liverpool.ac.uk

Publications:

Elgar, Edward. *Surviving Post-Communism: Young People in the Former Soviet Union*. CAB International.

Description:

Poland's First Post-Communist Generation was published by Avebury, Aldershot, 1995. It was based on surveys of 9,000 17-19 year-olds (final year in secondary school) and another 900 who were 4 years older. The survey work was in Gdansk, Katowice and Suwalki.

31. Economic Change and Young People in Poland

Period of investigation:

Sample size: 1,800

Coverage: Regional

Age group involved: Final year of compulsory education

Contact: Economic and Social Research Council

Address: Polaris House, North Star Avenue, Swindon SN2 1UJ,
<http://www.esrc.ac.uk>

Tel.: 01793 413122

Fax: 01793 413001

Email: exrell@esrc.ac.uk

Description:

This project is examining the implications of economic liberalization for school-leavers' opportunities, and the latter's responses. Research methods developed in the ESRC 16-19 Initiative, and in an associated Anglo-German study, are being adapted for use in Poland. The enquiries are being conducted in three regions - Gdansk, Katowice and Suwalki. In each of these areas samples of young people in their final year of compulsory education are being surveyed with students on academic, technical and craft courses equally represented. Matched samples of individuals from the same educational routes, but four years older, are also being studied. The information from these samples is being collected through written questionnaires, interviews and group discussions. A total of 1800 young people are involved in the enquiry.



Portugal

32. Portuguese Youth: Situations, Problems, Aspirations

Period of investigation: 1989
Sample size: 2,000
Coverage: National
Age group involved: Youth
Contact: Prof. Jose Machado Pais
Address: N/A
Tel.: N/A
Fax: N/A
Email: mac.pais@mail.telepac.pt

Publications:

AA.VV., Global Results, Lisbon, Instituto da Juventude/Instituto de Ciências Sociais da Universidade de Lisboa, 1989.

Nelson Matias, Education and School, Instituto da Juventude/Instituto de Ciências Sociais da Universidade de Lisboa, 1989.

Madalena Andrade, The work, the employment, the profession, Lisboa, Instituto da Juventude/Instituto de Ciências Sociais da Universidade de Lisboa, 1989.

Pedro Moura Ferreira, Young people and future. Expectations and aspirations, Lisboa, Instituto da Juventude/Instituto de Ciências Sociais da Universidade de Lisboa, 1989.

José Machado Pais, Time uses and leisure spaces, Lisboa, Instituto da Juventude/Instituto de Ciências Sociais da Universidade de Lisboa, 1989.

Luisa Schmidt, Money and material goods, Lisboa, Instituto da Juventude/Instituto de Ciências Sociais da Universidade de Lisboa, 1989.

Idalina Conde, The social and national identity of young people, Lisboa, Instituto da Juventude/Instituto de Ciências Sociais da Universidade de Lisboa, 1989.

Description:

Work, employment, future expectations and aspirations, relationships, material possessions, money, and social and national identity of young people.

33. National Survey on Portuguese Young People

Period of Investigation: 2000
Sample size: 2,008
Coverage: National
Age group involved: Youth
Contact: Prof. Jose Machado Pais
Address: N/A
Tel.: N/A
Fax: N/A
Email: mac.pais@mail.telepac.pt

Publications:

Manuel Villaverde Cabral e José Machado Pais (org.), *Jovens Portugueses de Hoje* (Today's Portuguese young people), Oeiras, Celta/SEJ, 1998.

Chapters:

- I - Jo Sedas Nunes, "Young people's social profiles"
- II - Natália Alves, "School and Work: attitudes, projects and trajectories"
- III - José Machado Pais, "Youth groups and behaviour models towards school and work: factorial analysis results"
- IV - José Machado Pais, "From school to work: what have changed in the last 10 years?"
- V - Pedro Vasconcelos, "Portuguese young people's practices and discourses about conjugality and sexuality"
- VI - Ana Alexandre Fernandes, "National identity and European citizenship"
- VII - Manuel Villaverde Cabral, "Political attitudes and political parties affinities"

Description:

Sexual behaviour, trajectories, attitudes, transition from school to work, change over last 10 years, national identity, and political attitudes.

34. Survey of Portuguese Black People

Period of Investigation: 1999
Sample size: 400
Coverage: National
Age group involved: N/A
Contact: Prof. Jose Machado Pais
Address: N/A
Tel.: N/A
Fax: N/A
Email: mac.pais@mail.telepac.pt

Publications:

Jorge Vala (org.), *Symmetries and Identities. Young Black People in Portugal*, Oeiras, Celta, 2001

Chapters:

- I - Jorge Vala, "Symmetries and Identities. A theoretical approach to a minority"
- II - Vitor Sérgio Ferreira, "A socio-graphic portrait"
- III - Marcus Lima e Jorge Vala, Social positions and perceptions on justice
- IV - Marcus Lima, Dimensions of Social Identities
- V - Vitor Sérgio Ferreira, "Transitions from school to work"
- VI - Vitor Sérgio Ferreira, "Citizenship exercises"
- VII - Dinis Lopes, "Discrimination perception and images of Portuguese society in an inter group context"
- VIII - Dinis Lopes e Jorge Vala, "Racialization, ethnicization and strategies of cultural relations"

Description:

Transition from school to work, citizenship, discrimination and perception of justice.



Russia

35. Social Development of Youth

Period of investigation: 1990, 1994, 1997
Sample size: 10,412/2,612/2,500
Coverage: Regional
Age group involved: 15-29
Contact: Zubok, J.
Address: Russian Academy of Sciences, Institute of Socio-Political
Research, 117334 Moscow, Leninsky Prospect, 32-a;
Tel.: +7 095 291 4669
Fax: +7 095 938 1886
Email: zubok_j@cityline.ru

Publications:

Aleshenok, S.; Chuprov, V.; Zubok, J.; Will it be possible to integrate young people in a society undergoing transformation? Prospects, vol.XXV, no 3, September 1995, pp.439-449;

Description:

Dynamics of social changes and their effects on social, educational and professional status of young people, young people in political structures, young people's needs, interests and values.

36. Paths of Generation

Period of Investigation: 1984, 1988 and 1993
Sample size: 4,267, 60% of 1st wave
Coverage: Regional
Age group involved: 17/18, 21/22, 26/27
Contact: Dr. Lyudmila Koklyagina Nurse and Dr. Victoria Semenva
Address: Institute of Sociology of the Russian Academy of Sciences,
Ul. Krzhizhanovtsgo 24/35, build.5, RUS-117528 Moscow
(Russia)
Tel.: +44 1296 39 37 33
Fax: +44 1296 39 37 43
Email: lyudmilanurse1@cs.com

Publications:

Koklyagina Nurse, L.; *Patters of Transition into Work in Russia and Great Britain*. In: YOUNG Nordic Journal of Youth Research, vol. 6, nr 1, February 1998 and others.

Description:

Life careers, educational attainments, professional and educational careers, employment status, social status, family formation, habits, hobbies, health, values, religious and political views.

37. Siberian Longitudinal Study

Period of investigation: 1983, 1988, 1991-1999
Sample size: 3,228
Coverage: Regional
Age group involved: 17-30
Contact: Altai State University
Address: 656099 Barnaul, U1 Dimitrova, 66
Tel.: +3852 222 114
Fax: +3852 225 345
Email: Grigirrev@socio.dcn-asu.ru
Or
760001 Krasnoyarsk-1, PO Box 16483
Tel.: +3912 343 202
Fax: +3912 345 874
Email: Root@statis.Krasnoyarsk.ru

Publications:

Social Problems of Life Self Determination of Young People in Altai, 1992.

Nemirovsky, V.; *Red Green, White. Specific Features of Youth Political Consciousness*.
In: Man, No 3, 1992; Social Characteristics of Young People of Krasnoyarski krai, 1995.

Description:

Life careers, educational attainment, professional and educational careers, employment status, social status, family formation, habits, hobbies, health, values religious and political views.

38. Annual Monitoring of “Youth of Russia”

Period of Investigation: 1993-1999
Sample size: 1,897
Coverage: Regional
Age group involved: 15-29
Contact: Scientific Centre of the Youth Institute
Address: 111395 Moscow, U1 Yunosti, 5/1
Tel.: +095 374 5930
Fax: +095 374 6132
Email: src@youthmedia.ru

Description:

Social and economic status of young people, social status of young families, young people outlook (values).



Slovakia

39. Social-Pathological Problems of Youth in Slovakia

Period of investigation: 1995
Sample size: 822
Coverage: National
Age group investigated: 15-26
Contact: Youth Section Institute for Information and Prognosis
Address: SK-84244 Bratislava, Stare Grutny 52, Slovakia
Tel.: 59238103
Fax: 52927374
Email: evaj@education.gov.sk

Publications:

Petiova, M.: Socialno-patologicka problematika mlade e v SR. UIP SMT, Bratislava, November 1995.

Vieikowa, G.: Socialno-patologicka problematika mlade e v SR. UIPS, Bratislava 1995.

Description:

Alcohol, smoke, gambling, drugs, marginal youth groups, violence, sexuality, prostitution, approach to education and work, political orientation.

40. Youth Situation in Slovakia

Period of investigation: 1996
Sample size: 957
Coverage: National
Age group investigated: 15-26
Contact: Youth Section Institute for Information and Prognosis
Address: SK-84244 Bratislava, Stare Grutny 52, Slovakia
Tel.: 59238103
Fax: 52927374
Email: evaj@education.gov.sk

Publications:

Petiova, M.; Drnzikova, E.: Situaena analyza postavenia mlade a v SR. UIP SMT, Bratislava, November 1997.

Description:

Alcohol, smoke, gambling, drugs, marginal youth groups, violence, sexuality, prostitution, approach to education and work, political orientation.



South Africa

41. Youth 2000: a National Study of Youth in South Africa

Period of investigation: 1993, 2000
Sample Size: 2,500
Coverage: National
Age group involved: Youth
Contact: The Community Agency for Social Enquiry (CASE)
Address: P O Box 32882, Braamfontein 2017, Johannesburg,
South Africa, <http://www.case.org.za/htm/yo2000.htm>
Tel.: 27.11 403.4204
Fax: 27.11 403.1005
Email: director@case.org.za

Description:

This study of living conditions, and opinions and attitudes on a variety of political, social and economic issues is based on a national survey of 2,500 young people in South Africa, and a series of focus group discussions. It is a follow-up study on the baseline survey conducted in 1993, and its goal is to present an up-to-date picture of youth in South Africa today.



South Korea

42. Economically Active Population Survey

Period of investigation: 1963-
Sample size: 30,000 households
Coverage: National
Age group involved: 15+
Contact: NSO – National Statistical Office
Address: 920, Dunsan-dong, Seo-gu, Daejeon, 302-701, Rep. of Korea,
<http://www.nso.go.kr>
Tel.: 82-42 481-2001
Fax: 82-42 481-2460
Email: webmaster@nso.go.kr

Publications:

Annual Report on the Economically Active Population Survey

Monthly Report on the Economically Active Population Survey

Description:

The survey covers a wide range of questions covering the respondents' status in a very detailed manner. The name, relationship to the household head, sex, age, educational attainment, marital status, major activity last week as well as labour market conditions of the respondent.

43. Social Statistics Survey

Period of investigation: 1979+
Sample size: 30,000 households
Coverage: National
Age group involved: 15+
Contact: NSO – National Statistical Office
Address: 920, Dunsan-dong, Seo-gu, Daejeon, 302-701, Rep. of Korea,
<http://www.nso.go.kr>
Tel.: 82-42 481-2001
Fax: 82-42 481-2460
Email: webmaster@nso.go.kr

Description:

Basic items include name, relationship, educational attainment, marital status, occupation, working and working status. Additional: family income and consumption, labour, education, health, housing and transportation, information on telecommunication, environment, welfare, culture and leisure, safety and social participation.

44. Employment Structure Survey

Period of investigation: 1983+ (first day of September)
Sample size: 120,000 households
Coverage: National
Age group involved: 15+
Contact: NSO – National Statistical Office
Address: 920, Dunsan-dong, Seo-gu, Daejeon, 302-701, Rep. of Korea,
<http://www.nso.go.kr>
Tel.: 82-42 481-2001
Fax: 82-42 481-2460
Email: webmaster@nso.go.kr

Description:

The survey is composed of 6 groups of questions, each investigating a different aspect of the respondents' life.

General items: name, sex, educational attainment...

Checking item: usual type of activity.

Item for the employed: industry type, method of seeking present job, desire for an additional job, receiving training of relations to the present job after receiving the job...

Items for a person not engaged in work: payment desired, reasons for wanting to work, duration of looking for job...

Items for job change for the last 5 years: number of job changes within last 5 years, time of quitting job, place of residence that time...



Spain

45. Youth's Expectations and Social Concerns

Period of Investigation: 1996
Sample size: 2,400
Coverage: National
Age group involved: 15-29
Contact: Centro de Investigaciones Sociologicas
Address: La Valireta, 5, Encamp, ANDORRA
Tel.: 37-6834691
Fax: 37-6834578
Email: cres@andorra.ad

Description:

Age at which he/she started to work. Time spent by the unemployed looking for a job and prospects of finding one. Job offers turned down by the unemployed in the last three months, reasons for turning down the job offered. Degree of importance attached by the respondent to: friendship, family, studies, work, politics, leisure, earning money and religion. The four most important problems affecting the country in the respondent's opinion. Opinion about contemporary society. Trust in people...



Sweden

46. Student-SOM 1993

<i>Population:</i>	Students at Göteborg University
<i>Period of investigation:</i>	1993
<i>Sample size:</i>	294
<i>Coverage:</i>	Regional
<i>Age group involved:</i>	19+
<i>Contact:</i>	Swedish Social Science Data Service
<i>Address:</i>	Box 720, S-405 30 Göteborg, http://www.ssd.gu.se
<i>Tel.:</i>	+46 31 7731210
<i>Fax:</i>	+46 31 7734913
<i>Email:</i>	request@ssd.gu.se

Description:

The SOM-institute at Göteborg University carries out two annual surveys. One is a nation-wide survey, while the other is carried out in Western Sweden. To be able to shed light on opinions and habits of the student generation of today, a similar survey was carried out among the students at Göteborg University. The questionnaire was divided into seven parts: mass media; politics and society; energy, nuclear power and environment; Sweden and the rest of the world; leisure-time activities; background; and study programme.

47. Student-SOM 1995

Period of investigation: 1995
Sample size: 410
Coverage: Regional
Age group involved: Students at Göteborg University
Contact: Swedish Social Science Data Service
Address: Box 720, S-405 30 Göteborg, <http://www.ssd.gu.se>
Tel.: +46 31 7731210
Fax: +46 31 7734913
Email: request@ssd.gu.se

Description:

This is the third study in the collection of Student-SOM surveys. The aim of these studies is to shed light on opinions and habits of the student generation of today. The questionnaire - mainly a replication of the questionnaire used in Student-SOM 1994 - included questions about study programme, mass media, politics and society, energy, nuclear power and environment, leisure-time activities, and background.

48. Student-SOM 1996

Period of investigation: 1996
Sample size: 304
Coverage: Regional
Age group involved: Students at Göteborg University
Contact: Swedish Social Science Data Service
Address: Box 720, S-405 30 Göteborg, <http://www.ssd.gu.se>
Tel.: +46 31 7731210
Fax: +46 31 7734913
Email: request@ssd.gu.se

Publications:

Hedberg, P.; Sundqvist, G; (1998): "Slottet Oskarshamn" in Lidskog, R. (ed.) Kommunen och karnavfallet. Stockholm: Carlssons.

Description:

This is the fourth study in the collection of Student-SOM surveys. The aim of these studies is to shed light on opinions and habits of the student generation of today. The questionnaire - mainly a replication of the questionnaire used in Student-SOM 1994 - included questions about study programme, mass media, politics and society, energy, nuclear power and environment, leisure-time activities, and background.



United Kingdom

49. British Cohort Studies

Period of investigation: 1970 – (ongoing)
Age group involved: Birth, follow-ups at the age of 5, 10, 16, 26
Sample size: 17,000+
Coverage: National
Contact: The Research Strategy Branch
Address: Research Strategy Branch, Dep. of Education & Employment,
Room W441, Moorfoot, Sheffield S1 4PQ, UK,
<http://www.dfes.gov.uk/index.htm>
Tel.: 0114 259 3932
Fax: 01142 259 3858
Email: N/A

Description:

The 1970 British Cohort Study (BCS70) is a continuing, multi-disciplinary longitudinal study which takes as its subjects all those living in Great Britain who were born between 5 and 11 of April 1970.

BCS70 began when data were collected about the births and families of 17,198 babies born in England, Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland in the week 5-11 of April 1970. At this time, the study was named the British Births Survey (BBS) and it was sponsored by the National Birthday Trust Fund in association with the Royal College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists. Since 1970 there have been four attempts to gather information from the full cohort, as the chart below shows. With each successive attempt, the scope of enquiry has broadened from a strictly medical focus at birth, to encompass physical and educational development at the age of five, physical, educational and social development at the ages of ten and sixteen, and physical, educational, social and economic development at 26 years.

50. England and Wales Youth Cohort Studies

Period of investigation: 1985-
Collection frequency: Annual
Sample size: 20,000
Coverage: Regional
Age group involved: 16-19
Contact name: Ivana La Valle
Address: National Centre for Social Research, 35 Northampton Square,
London EC1V OAX,
<http://www.natcen.ac.uk/sitemap/index.htm>
Tel.: 020 7250 1866
Fax: 020 7250 1524
Email: i.lavalle@natcen.ac.uk

Description:

The National Centre has conducted most of the England and Wales Youth Cohort Studies (YCS) since the series began in 1985, on behalf of the Department for Education and Employment (and its predecessor departments). A total of nine new cohorts of young people aged 16 to 19 have been surveyed, each on three occasions; most cohorts had initial start samples of around 20,000 individuals. The survey method is “postal”, including a diary which allows tracking of all activities (employment, education, unemployment) monthly over thirty months.

51. National Child Development Study

Period of investigation: 1958-1991
Sample size: 16,500 in first wave
Coverage: National
Age group involved: Children
Contact: The Data Archive at the University of Essex
Address: Wivenhoe Park, Colchester CO4 3SQ, United Kingdom,
<http://www.essex.ac.uk>
Tel.: +44 (0) 12068 72001
Fax: +44 (0) 12068 72003
Email: archive-acq@essex.ac.uk

Publications:

Ferri E, Smith K (1996). Parenting in the 1990s. London: Family Policy Studies Centre.

Description:

The National Child Development Study (NCDS) is a continuing, multi-disciplinary longitudinal study which takes as its subjects all those living in Great Britain who were born between 3 and 9 of March 1958. To date there have been five attempts to trace all members of the birth cohort in order to monitor their physical, educational and social development.

The Data Archive also hold a data from a number of NCDS Special Sub-studies where additional data has been gathered for samples of cohort members selected for their particular characteristics or circumstances.

52. Youth Research Programme

Period of investigation: 1987-1989
Sample size: N/A
Coverage: National
Age group involved: 16-19
Contact: John Bynner
Address: Centre for Longitudinal studies Institute of Education,
University of London, 20 Bedford Way, London WC1H 0AL
Tel.: 02 07612 6900
Fax: 02 07612 6880
Email: jb@cls.ioe.ac.uk

Publications:

Ainley P (1991). Young people leaving home, London: Cassels.

Banks M, Bates I, Breakwell G, Bynner J, Emler N, Jamieson L, Roberts K (1991). Careers and identities, Milton Keynes: Open University Press.

Bates I, Riseborough G (1994). Youth and social class, Milton Keynes: Open University Press.

Bynner J, Chisholm L, Furlong A (1997). Youth, citizenship and social change. Aldershot: Ashgate.

MacDonald R, Coffield F (1991). Risky business, Lewes: Falmer Press.

Description:

The 16-19 Initiative, of which John Bynner was National Co-ordinator, was an interdisciplinary and multi-method programme of research on social and psychological development during late adolescence and young adulthood, founded by the Economic and Social Research Council. In the 'core' study, survey data were collected on young people in 1987, 1988, 1989 in four British labour market areas – Swindon, Sheffield, Liverpool and Kirkcaldy. The study drew attention to the disparities in opportunities for young people in different parts of the country, and how these shaped their adult identities. The marginalisation of young people who left education at the earliest possible date and failed to make the transition to employment successfully, was associated with political disaffection and hostile attitudes to adult institutions and authority.

53. Survey of Employers' Attitudes to the Youth Training Scheme in Scotland

Period of investigation: 1984
Sample size: 88 employers of 222 trainees
Coverage: Regional
Age group involved: Youth
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Description:

The study reports on the findings of a re-interview survey of employers' attitudes to the Youth Training Scheme, which was originally carried out in 1984 and repeated in 1985. The original sample covered 297 trainees for 96 employers in the Dundee and Renfrew Districts of Scotland and the re-interview survey covers 88 of these employers who now engage 222 trainees. The main conclusions of the survey relate to the costs and benefits of training, the extent to which additional employment is generated and the rate at which trainees leave the scheme.

54. The Vocational Preparation of the 16-19-Year-Olds in England and Germany

Period of investigation: 1990
Sample size: First stage 4x160
Coverage: International
Age group involved: 16-19
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Publications:

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Evans K, Heniz WR (eds) (1994). *Becoming adults in the 1990s*, London: Anglo-German Foundation.

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Description:

School to work transition, social experiences in the 1990's life challenges... .



United States

55. LONGSCAN Juvenile Protective Association

Period of investigation: Forthcoming
Sample size: 100 infants
Coverage: Regional
Age group involved: Infants
Contact: Dr. Mary Wood Schneider
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Description:

This cohort study will compare the life course of 100 infants whose families are receiving comprehensive services after a report of child maltreatment to 100 infants of similarly-reported families who have only received follow-up by the state welfare agency and to a control group up of 100 matched infants. This cohort is drawn from among the most violent neighbourhoods in Chicago. This study will be able to examine the differential impact of experiences of child abuse or neglect versus the experience of witnessing violence on a regular basis from the time of infancy. Videotaped studies of parent-infant interaction in the first years of life will also permit this study to examine the relationship between parent-child attachment and subsequent maltreating behaviours.

56. National Longitudinal Study of Adolescent Health

Period of investigation: 1994 - 2000
Sample size: 21,000 adolescents and 17,700 parents
Coverage: National
Age group involved: Grade 7 - 12
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Description:

This survey was designed to assess the health status of adolescents and to explore the causes of their health-related behaviours, focusing on the effects of the multiple contexts or environments in which they live. As a group, adolescence are healthy people. They have survived the vulnerable years of childhood and are decades away from the degenerative diseases of old age. Threats to their health steam primarily from their behaviour. This survey focuses on forces that influence adolescents' behaviour, in particular forces residing in the various contexts of their lives: families, friendships, romantic relationships, peer groups, schools, neighbourhoods, and communities.

57. Program of Research on the Causes and Correlates of Delinquency

Period of investigation: 1987 - 2002
Sample size: 4,544
Coverage: Regional
Age group involved: 7-15 in initial cycle
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Description:

The study takes place in three separate places in the United States: Denver, Rochester and Pittsburgh. The study intends to measure: epidemiology and co-occurrence of delinquency, drug use and other problem behaviours over the life course, identifying developmental pathways through multiple contexts from childhood through early adulthood that lead to successful outcomes or serious delinquency, as well as providing information about the timing and nature of successful prevention and intervention strategies. This is a longitudinal study carried out on semi-annual or annual basis through face-to-face follow up interviews, supplemented by telephone interviews for those at a distance from study sites.

58. Project of Human Development of Chicago Neighbourhoods

Period of investigation: 1995 - 2003
Sample size: 7,000
Coverage: Regional
Age group involved: 0-1, 3, 6, 9, 12,15, 18
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Description:

The study will enhance current knowledge on factors leading to some of the nation's most serious public health problems, including delinquency, criminal behaviour, violence, and substance abuse. In addition, the study will provide important new information about a major urban area, Chicago, in the 1990's.

59. Wisconsin Longitudinal Study

Period of investigation: 1957, 1964, 1975, 1992
Sample size: 10,317
Coverage: Regional
Age group involved: Starting with high school graduates
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Description:

The Wisconsin Longitudinal Study is a long-term study of a random sample of men and women who graduated from Wisconsin high schools in 1957. Survey data were collected from the respondents or their parents and from selected siblings. These data provide a full record of social background, youthful aspirations, schooling, military service, family formation, labour market experiences, and social participation of the original respondents. The survey data from earlier years have been supplemented by mental ability tests, measures of school performance, and characteristics of communities of residence, schools and colleges, employers, and industries.

60. Longitudinal Study of Child Abuse and Neglect

Period of investigation: 1995-2000
Sample size: 300
Coverage: Regional
Age group included: Infants
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Description:

This project contributes to a consortium of longitudinal studies on the long-term effects of child maltreatment. This project is an ongoing effort to study the long-term sequel of child abuse, identify psychosocial characteristics that predict maltreatment, and study effects of clinical interventions in the prevention of abuse, as well as the alleviation of negative consequences of such maltreatment. Infants living in maltreating families will be compared to infants living in non-maltreating families and assessed at key developmental stages into young adulthood. The study consists of 300 infants and their caretakers: 100 from abusive families referred for therapeutic services; 100 from maltreating families receiving no therapeutic services; and 100 controls from non-maltreating families all from the same geographic area.

61. National Longitudinal Survey of Youth – 1979 (NLSY79)

Period of investigation: 1979-1994
Sample size: 12,686
Coverage: National
Age group involved: 14-22
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Description:

The National Longitudinal Survey of Youth is an outgrowth of a large research project initiated in the mid-1960's to analyse the sources of variation in the labour market behaviour and experience of young and middle-aged men and women. These assessments encompassed cognitive, socio-emotional and physiological aspects of the child's development as well as information about the quality of the home environment.

The NLSY is a nationally representative sample of 12,686 young men and women who were 14 to 22 years of age when they were first surveyed in 1979. Data was collected yearly between 1979 and 1994. The original interview schedule consisted of personally administered interviews, however due to budget cuts in 1987, telephone interviews prevailed until the 1988 round. During 1993, computer assisted interviews replaced the previous interviews.

62. National Longitudinal Survey of Youth – 1997 (NLSY97)

Period of investigation: 1997- (ongoing)
Sample size: Birth cohort – 9,000
Coverage: National
Age group involved: 12 to 16 years old
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Description:

The NLSY97 consists of a nationally representative sample of approximately 9,000 youth who were 12 to 16 years of age as of December 31, 1996. Round one of the survey took place in 1997. In that round, both the eligible youth and one of that youth's parents received hour-long personal interviews. Youth continue to be interviewed on an annual basis.

The NLSY97 is designed to document the transition from school to work and into adulthood. It collects extensive information about youths' labour market behaviour and educational experiences over time. Employment information focuses on two types of jobs, "employee" jobs where youths work for a particular employer, and "freelance" jobs such as lawn mowing and babysitting. These distinctions will enable researchers to study effects of very early employment among youths. Employment data include start and stop dates of jobs, occupation, industry, hours, earnings, job search, and benefits. Measures of work experience, tenure with an employer, and employer transitions can also be obtained. Educational data include youths' schooling history, performance on standardized tests, course of study, the timing and types of degrees, and a detailed account of progression through post-secondary schooling.

63. Early Childhood Longitudinal Study – birth cohort and kindergarten cohort

Period of investigation: 1998- (ongoing)
Sample size: Birth cohort – 13,500; kindergarten cohort – 22,000
Coverage: National
Age group involved: Birth and school entry
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Description:

The ECLS program has been designed to include two overlapping cohorts: a Birth Cohort and a Kindergarten Cohort. The birth cohort will follow a sample of children from birth through the first grade. The kindergarten cohort will follow a sample of children from kindergarten through the fifth grade.

The Early Childhood Longitudinal Study (ECLS) Program provides national data on children's status at birth and at various points thereafter; children's transitions to non-parental care, early education programs, and school; and children's experiences and growth through the fifth grade. ECLS also provides data to test hypotheses about the effects of a wide range of family, school, community and individual variables on children's development, early learning and early performance in school.

64. Baccalaureate and Beyond

Period of investigation: 1992-1993, 1997, 2000
Sample size: 11,000 students and 8,000 parents
Coverage: National
Age group involved: University graduates
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Description:

The first B&B cohort included students, identified in NPSAS:93, who completed a bachelor's degree in 1992-93. Those students were asked a number of questions about their future employment and education expectations as well as about their undergraduate education. The B&B:93 first follow-up in 1994 (B&B:93/94) collected information about job search activities after graduation as well as information concerning education and employment experiences after graduation. Individuals who had shown an interest in becoming teachers were asked additional questions about their pursuit of this career, and if teaching, about their current teaching position. In addition, the first follow-up collected undergraduate transcripts whenever possible. The second follow-up in 1997 (B&B:92/97) collected information on education, employment, and other experiences since the last interview. It also collected current Federal aid and loan status information from ED records.

65. Beginning Postsecondary Student Longitudinal Study

Period of investigation: Initial 1989-1990, with follow-ups every 2 years
Sample size: 8,000 students and 6,000 parents
Coverage: National
Age group involved: Post-secondary education entrants +
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Description:

To complement the high school cohort longitudinal studies and to improve data on participants in postsecondary education, the Beginning Postsecondary Student Longitudinal Study (BPS) has been started. Because older students, in addition to recent high school graduates, are increasingly included in postsecondary education, high school cohort studies are not representative of all postsecondary participants at a given point in time. BPS includes these "non-traditional" as well as "traditional" students and is representative of all beginning students in postsecondary education (PSE).

66. National Household Education Survey

Period of investigation: 1991, 1993, 1995, 1996, 1999, planned for 2001, 2003
Sample size: 45,000 to 60,000
Coverage: National
Age group involved: N/A
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Description:

The National Household Education Survey (NHES) is a data collection system of the National Center for Education Statistics (NCES) that is designed to address a wide range of education-related issues. It provides descriptive data on the educational activities of the U.S. population and offers policymakers, researchers, and educators a variety of statistics on the condition of education in the U.S..

67. National Postsecondary Student Aid Study

Period of investigation: 1987, 1990, 1993 and 1996
Sample size: 60,000
Coverage: National
Age group involved: PSE students
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Description:

The National Postsecondary Student Aid Study (NPSAS) is a comprehensive nationwide study to determine how students and their families' pay for postsecondary education, and to describe some demographic and other characteristics of those enrolled. The study is based on a nationally representative sample of all students enrolled in postsecondary education institutions, including undergraduate, graduate, and first-professional students. Students attending all types and levels of institutions are represented in the samples, including students at public and private not-for-profit and for-profit institutions, and students from less-than-2-year institutions, community colleges, and 4-year colleges and universities. The study is designed to address policy questions resulting from the rapid growth of financial aid programs and the changes in financial aid program policies since 1986.

68. Recent College Graduate Study

Period of investigation: 1976, 1991 and 1993
Sample size: 400 bachelor's and master's degree-granting institutions
Coverage: National
Age group involved: College Graduates
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Description:

The Recent College Graduates Study (RCG) estimates the potential supply of newly qualified teachers. It is a study of the immediate post-degree employment and education experiences of people who obtained a bachelor's or master's degree from an American college or university. It focuses on those graduates qualified to teach at the elementary and secondary levels.

The RCG has been conducted sporadically between 1976 and 1991. In 1993, NCES established a longitudinal survey of graduating college seniors, which replaced the RCG Study. This survey, Baccalaureate and Beyond, follows an over sample of graduating seniors from the National Postsecondary Student Aid Study

69. National Longitudinal Study of the High School Class of 1972

Period of investigation: 1972, 1973, 1974, 1976 and 1986
Sample size: First wave 1,070
Coverage: National
Age group involved: High school graduates +
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Description:

NLS-72 followed the 1972 cohort of high school seniors through 1986, or fourteen years after most of this cohort completed high school. The HS&B survey included two cohorts: the 1980 senior class, and the 1980 sophomore class. Both cohorts were surveyed every two years through 1986, and the 1980 sophomore class was also surveyed again in 1992. NELS:88 started with the cohort of students who were in the eighth grade in 1988, and these students have been surveyed every two years since that time.

70. National Education Longitudinal Study of 1988

Period of investigation: 1988, 1992, 1994 and 2000

Sample size:

Coverage: National

Age group involved: Starting at grade 8

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Description:

The base year of the National Education Longitudinal Study of 1988 (NELS:88) represents the first stage of a major longitudinal effort designed to provide trend data about critical transitions experienced by students as they leave elementary school and progress through high school and into postsecondary institutions or the work force. The 1988 eighth-grade cohort is being followed at two-year intervals. Policy-relevant data about educational processes and outcomes will be collected over time, especially as it pertains to student learning, early and late predictors of dropping out, and school effects on students' access to programs and equal opportunity to learn.

71. National Assessment of Educational Progress

Period of investigation: 1969-2010
Sample size: 120,000
Coverage: National
Age group involved: Grades 4, 8, 12
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Description:

The National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP), also known as "the Nation's Report Card," is the only nationally representative and continuing assessment of what America's students know and can do in various subject areas. Since 1969, assessments have been conducted periodically in reading, mathematics, science, writing, U.S. history, civics, geography, and the arts.

NAEP does not provide scores for individual students or schools; instead, it offers results regarding subject-matter achievement, instructional experiences, and school environment for populations of students (e.g., fourth-graders) and subgroups of those populations (e.g., female students, Hispanic students). NAEP results are based on a [sample](#) of student populations of interest.

72. National Assessment of Adult Literacy

Period of investigation: 1985-2002
Sample size: 3,600 adults (first wave)
Coverage: National
Age group involved: 21-25
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Publications:

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Richard L. Venezky, Carl F. Kaestle, and Andrew Sum, *The Subtle Danger: Reflections on the Literacy Abilities of America's Young Adults*, (Educational Testing Service, 1987) Educational Testing Service, (800) 223-0267

Response Analysis Corporation, *Young Adult Literacy Assessment: Part I Technical Report*, (Princeton, NJ: Response Analysis Corporation, 1986) Educational Testing Service, (800) 223-0267

Description:

The National Assessment of Adult Literacy (NAAL) is a nationally representative and continuing assessment of English language literacy skills of American adults. It seeks to:

- describe the status of adult literacy in the United States;
- report on national trends; and
- identify relationships between literacy and selected characteristics of adults.

The National Center for Education Statistics (NCES) has conducted adult literacy assessments since 1985. A nationally representative sample of adults will be assessed again in 2002, providing the first indication of the nation's progress in adult literacy since 1992.

73. Survey of Doctorate Recipients

Period of investigation: Since 1950s
Sample size: Flexible
Coverage: National
Age group involved: 75 is the age limit
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Arlington, Virginia 22230, USA, <http://www.nsf.gov>
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Description:

The Survey of Doctorate Recipients (SDR) is designed to provide demographic and career history information about individuals with doctoral degrees in science and engineering fields. The results of this survey help policymakers understand and predict trends in employment opportunities and salaries for science and engineering doctorate holders, and to evaluate the effectiveness of equal opportunity efforts.

74. Rochester Youth Development Study

Period of investigation: 1988 – 1992
Sample size: 1,000
Coverage: Regional
Age group involved: 7th and 8th grade
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Publications:

Bjerregaard, Beth and Alan J. Lizotte. 1995. Gun ownership and gang membership. *Journal of Criminal Law and Criminology* 86:37-58.

Bjerregaard, Beth and Carolyn A. Smith. 1993. Gender differences in gang participation, delinquency, and substance use. *Journal of Quantitative Criminology* 9:329-355.

Description:

The Rochester Youth Development Study sample consists of 1,000 students (729 boys and 271 girls) who were in the seventh and eighth grades of the Rochester, NY, public schools during the spring semester of the 1988 school year. Males were over sampled because they are more likely than females to engage in serious delinquency and students from high-crime areas were over sampled based on the assumption that they are at greater risk for offending. This project is a 12- wave prospective panel study in which members of the sample and one of their parents were interviewed at 6-month intervals from 1988 to 1992 and at annual intervals from 1994 to 1996. At the end of wave 12, in spring 1997, 846 of the initial 1,000 subjects were re-interviewed (a retention rate of 85 percent); the retention rate for parents was 83 percent.

75. Pittsburgh Youth Study

Period of investigation: 1988 - 1992
Sample size: 1,517 boys
Coverage: Regional
Age group involved: 1st, 4th, and 7th grade
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Publications:

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Caspi, A., Block, J., & Block, J. H., Klopp, B., Lynam, D., Moffitt, T. E., & Stouthamer-Loeber, M. (1992). A "common-language" version of the California Child Q-Sort for personality assessment. *Psychological Assessment*, 4, 512-523.

Description:

The Pittsburgh Youth Study began with a random sample of boys in the first, fourth, and seventh grades of the Pittsburgh, PA, public school system. Information from the initial screening was used to select the top 30 percent of boys with the most disruptive behaviour. This group of boys, together with a random sample of the remaining 70 percent who showed less disruptive behaviour, became the sample for the study. The sample contains approximately 500 boys at each grade level, for a total of 1,517 boys. Each student and a primary caregiver were interviewed at 6-month intervals for the first 5 years of the study; teacher ratings of the student were also obtained. The middle sample (fourth grade) was discontinued after seven assessments. The youngest sample (first grade) and oldest sample (seventh grade) are currently being interviewed at annual intervals, with totals of 16 and 14 assessments, respectively. The study has been highly successful in retaining participants, with a retention rate of at least 85 percent for each assessment.

76. Denver Youth Survey

Period of investigation: 1988 – 1992
Sample size: 1,527
Coverage: Regional
Age group involved: 7, 9, 11, 13, or 15-year-olds
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Publications:

Elliott, D.S. and W.J. Wilson, D. Huizinga, R.J. Sampson, A. Elliott, B. Rankin. The effects of neighbourhood disadvantage on adolescent development.(1996) *J. Research in Crime and Delinquency*. 33(4) 389-426.

Esbensen, F. and D. Huizinga (1993). Gangs, Drugs, and Delinquency in a Survey of Urban Youth. *Criminology*, 31(4):565-589. (This paper also received the 1992 Anderson Outstanding Research Paper Award from the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences.)

Esbensen, F., D. Huizinga and A. Weiher (1993). Gang and Non-gang Youth: Differences in Explanatory Factors. *Journal of Contemporary Criminal Justice* 9(2):94-116.

Esbensen, F. and D. Huizinga (1991). Community Structure and Drug Use from a Social Disorganization Perspective, *Justice Quarterly* 7(4) 691-709.

Esbensen, F. and D. Huizinga (1991). Victimization and Delinquency. *Youth and Society*, 23(2) 202-228.

Description:

The Denver Youth Survey is based on a random sample of households in high-risk neighbourhoods of Denver, CO. The survey respondents include 1,527 children and youth (806 boys and 721 girls) who were 7, 9, 11, 13, or 15 years old in 1987 and who lived in 1 of the more than 20,000 households randomly selected from disadvantaged neighbourhoods with high crime rates. Interviews with the youth and one caretaker were conducted annually from 1988 to 1992; this process resumed in 1995 and will continue through 1999. The project has a high rate of retention, with completion rates of 91 to 93 percent in the first 5 years and a constant 80-percent rate for the 1995-98-period.

77. National Survey of Student Engagement

Period of investigation: 2000, 2001, 2002
Sample size: 30,000 in 2000
Coverage: National
Age group involved: Undergraduate students
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Publications:

NSSE 2001 Report *Improving the College Experience: National Benchmarks of Effective Educational Practice*.

Description:

The National Study of Student Engagement (NSSE) is designed to obtain, on an annual basis, information from scores of colleges and universities nationwide about student participation in programs and activities that institutions provide for their learning and personal development. The results will provide an estimate of how undergraduates spend their time and what they gain from attending college. Survey items on *The College Student Report* represent empirically confirmed "good practices" in undergraduate education. That is, they reflect behaviours by students and institutions that are associated with desired outcomes of college.

Cross European

78. Evaluation of Programmes to Assist the Young Unemployed in Post-Communist East-Central Europe

Period of investigation: 1996-1998
Sample size: 800
Coverage: International
Age group involved: 16-30
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Publications:

Roberts, K.: *Youth Unemployment and Self-employment in Former Post Communist Countries*, in: *International Bulletin on Youth Research*, 13, 1996, 23-25.

Description:

Family and educational background, working careers, experience of registered and unregistered unemployment, strategies applied in job search, involvement in second economy.