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The NLSY79 Child & Young Adult surveys profile the development of the children of the mothers in the National Longitudinal Surveys of Youth 1979 cohort (NLSY79). Started in 1986 and repeated biennially, the NLSY79 Child surveys are sponsored by the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics with support from NICHD. Mother report, direct assessment, and child self-report are used to gauge the children’s growth, health, abilities, problems, activities, attitudes, school progress, and home environment. Starting in 1994, children 15 and older are no longer assessed but interviewed as Young Adults on schooling, employment, training, fertility, marital history, family experiences, health, and attitudes. The Child/YA sample ranges in age from birth to late twenties and contains significant numbers of minority and economically disadvantaged white respondents.

The National Longitudinal Survey of Youth 1979 cohort (NLSY79) is a national sample of 12,686 individuals who were 14-22 when first surveyed in 1979. Respondents were interviewed annually through 1994 and are now surveyed biennially.

A sampling of journal articles using NLSY79 Child and Young Adult data is listed below. For a complete listing, or to make additions or corrections, visit http://www.nlsbibliography.org.


WELLS, SAMANTHA, KATHRYN GRAHAM, MARK SPEECHLEY and JOHN J. KOVAL. “Do Predisposing and Family Background Characteristics Modify or Confound the Relationship between Drinking Frequency and Alcohol-Related Aggression? A Study of Late Adolescent and Young Adult Drinkers.” Addictive Behaviors 31,4 (April 2006): 661-75.