The Child Development Supplement

A Study of the Effects of Family, School, and Neighborhood on Child Development

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Research Objective

The CDS is a nationally representative, longitudinal study of children and their families, examining a broad array of developmental outcomes within the context of family, neighborhood, and school environments.

CDS is a Component of the PSID

- The PSID-CDS is an integrated survey design whereby:
 - PSID collects:
 - Economic and demographic information about the child's family
 - Information on the children's parents, their grandparents, and other relatives over long periods of time
 - CDS collects extensive child-specific developmental data (two points in time so far)

CDS Children and Youth are PSID Individuals Too

- Some data about the CDS sample are located in PSID data files
- CDS sample will become active panel of the core PSID in young adulthood when they "split-off" and establish their own family units

The CDS Panel

- CDS-I (1997) Initial Sample
 - Selected 2,705 PSID families with children 0-12 years
 - Randomly selected up to two children per family
 - Successfully interviewed 2,394 families (88%) about 3,563
 Target Children
- CDS-II (2002) Re-Interview
 - Recontacted 2,226 families in CDS-I who remained active in the PSID panel as of 2001 PSID interview
 - Successfully interviewed 2,019 families (91%) about 2,907 children

CDS Involves a Complex Survey Design with Multiple Modules and Respondents

- In-Home Interviews with the CDS child and family:
 - Tele./Personal IW with Primary and Secondary Caregivers
 - Personal IW with Child
 - Child Self-IW (ACASI)
 - Woodcock Johnson Achievement Test
 - Time Diaries for Weekday and Weekend

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- Interviewer Observations (HOME Scale)
- Tele. IW with Elementary School Teachers
- Curriculum Data from Course Catalogs for Middle/High School
- School Administrative Information via Links to U.S. Dept. Of Education Data

Substantial Following of CDS Youth into the Second Wave

Family-level response rate of 91%

Contingent Modules	Completed Interviews	Response Rate
Primary Caregiver Household	2,891	91%
Assessments	2,644	91%
Child Interview (8+ Years)	2,182	82%
Time Diary	2,569	88%
Other Caregiver Child & Household	1,686	84%
Elem./Middle School Teacher	699	54%
School Environment - CCD linkages	2,204	86%

CDS Modules: Measures of Family Environment

- HOME-SF cognitive stimulation and emotional support
- Parental warmth
- Closeness to parents
- Monitoring: knowledge and tracking of child's activities reported by caregivers and youth
- Household tasks

CDS Modules: Child Expenditures and Savings

- Child-specific expenditures for household and nonhousehold members
- Savings mechanisms for child
- Socialization of wealth

CDS Modules: Psychological and Social Well Being

- Behavior problems
- Depression
- Self-esteem
- Worry
- Risky behaviors and thrill-seeking

- Anti-social behaviors
- Drugs and alcohol
- Parental control and acceptance
- Languishing and flourishing

CDS Modules: Health and Health Behaviors

- Chronic conditions
- Asthma
- Obesity
- Health limitations
- Health care utilization and expenditures
- Health behaviors: nutrition, exercise, sleep, and smoking

CDS Modules: Measures of Children's Time Use and Activities

Time Diaries

- Detailed account of type, number, duration, and location of activities during for 2 days
- Reports of others involved (directly and passively) in the activities with the child

CDS Modules: Measures of Children's Time Use and Activities

- Stylized Questions: Frequency, costs, and number of friends who participate in a range of activities
 - Structured activities (PCG, youth report)
 - Unstructured activities (PCG, youth report)
 - Activities with parents (PCG, OCG report)

CDS Modules: Measures of Schooling and Achievement

- School enrollment, type, tuition, attendance, special education and gifted programs, repeat grade, drop out, number of school changes
- School courses & grades
- Out-of-school activities
- Standardized measures of reading and math skills
 (Woodcock-Johnson Revised Tests of Achievement)
- Youth's ability self-concepts in math and reading

CDS Modules: Future Work and Schooling Expectations

Adolescent Module

- Part-time and summer work experiences
- Negative economic expectations
- Occupational certainty and identity
- Job values and expectations for future work
- Parental and youth expectations for future education

CDS Modules: School Environment Module

- National Center for Educational Statistics Common Core of Data Selected Variables
 - type of school; racial/ethnic composition of school; pupil: teacher ratio; drop out rates; expenditures per child and more
- Elementary School Teacher Interview (classroom behavior and environment, teacher characteristics)
- Curriculum Catalogs (curriculum tracks, science/math courses)

CDS Modules: Caregiver Social and Psychological Resources

- Rosenberg Self-Esteem
- Pearlin Self-Efficacy
- ► K-6
- Social Support
- Aggravation in Parenting
- Gender Role Beliefs
- Family Conflict
- Economic Strain
- Community Involvement

Sampling of Research Questions that CDS Data Can Help Answer

- Child health and obesity: intergenerational relationships, effects of family income, food insecurity, time use, and more
- Ways in which parents influence their children's achievement: parental education, family income, parental expectations, characteristics of the home environment, and more
- Out-of-school activities and child well-being: developmental opportunities afforded by both structured and unstructured extra-curricular activities
- Time use studies as indicators of social well-being of children

Anticipated Next Steps for CDS

- Following the remainder of the sample into adolescence:
 CDS-III
 - Collect CDS-II adolescent modules for the younger group of the CDS sample
- Following the CDS sample into young adulthood
 - Enroll CDS youth 18 years and older into a new interview module called "Transition in Adulthood"

Follow the CDS Youth through their Transitions into Adulthood

- Focus on Important Developmental Stage: Years in-between last CDS interview in adolescence and when the youth establishes own economic independence and becomes PSID Head or Wife
- Modules capitalizes on developmental information from CDS and links into some PSID content related to traditional markers of adulthood.

Transition into Adulthood Interview Content

- Content parallel to PSID:
 - Work /Career Trajectories
 - Education
 - Family
- Continued from CDS:
 - Time Use
 - Civic Engagement
 - Peer Influence
 - Health Status
 - Mental Health and Wellbeing

- New Age-Appropriate Content Areas
 - Expectations for future work and education
 - Self-rated skills and abilities
 - Self-rated level of responsibility in several areas
 - Experiences of discrimination

CDS Webpage Has a Wealth of Study Information

- Study Documentation
- Questionnaires
- Cross Wave Map
- Tutorials
- Bibliography
- PSID Documentation

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