

Dataset Title: National Survey of Family Growth

Overview: The National Survey of Family Growth (NSFG) is focused on family life, marriage and divorce rates, and men and women's health. It tries to explain trends in fertility and birth rates by examining influencing factors like contraception and marriage. It explores topics that heavily affect women's lives, including the number of children they have, whether these births were intentional or not, maternity leave, child care, and the type of health insurance that they have. NSFG began to give questionnaires to men on corresponding issues in 2002, as a part of NSFG Wave 6. Survey data is consistently utilized by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services to develop the most effective healthcare services.

Date: *1973-1976 (Cycle 1)
1976 (Cycle 2)
1982 (Cycle 3)
1988 (Cycle 4)
1995 (Cycle 5)
2002 (Cycle 6)
2006- 2010 (Cycle 7)
2010-2015 (Cycle 8, in progress)

*The surveys were started in this year and were in progress until the start of the next wave, i.e. Wave 1 was conducted from 1973-1976.

Time dimension: Longitudinal Study

Sample: Cycles 1-5 surveyed women between the ages of 15 and 44. Cycle 6 was conducted with the same age cohort, but included men and women. Cycle 6 of the NSFG survey had 12,571 respondents- 7,643 females and 4,928 males. Cycle 7 had a national sample of 22,682 men and women. Cycle 8 is still in progress, but it is expected that there will be about 5,000 personal interviews conducted in each year of the survey.

Data source: The data comes from personal interviews, including some computer-assisted personal interviews (CAPI) and audio computer-assisted self-interviews (ACASI). All NSFG interviewers are females chosen and trained by University of Michigan's Institute for Social Research.

Self-Identified Race and Hispanic Origin Measures:

*all of the questions below are taken from Cycle 5 (2005)

Hispanic Origin and Race (AC)

HISP

AC-1. Now I have some questions about your ethnic background and your race. (You may have already told me this, but) Are you Hispanic or Latina, or of Spanish origin?
Yes.....1
No.....5

{ ASKED IF HISPANIC

HISPGRP

AC-2. Are you Puerto Rican, Cuban, Mexican, Central or South American, or a member of some other group?

Puerto Rican.....1
Cuban.....2
Mexican.....3
Central or South American.....4
Member of some other group.....7

RRACE

AC-3. Which of the groups on Card 2 describe your racial background?
Please select one or more groups.

ENTER all that apply

NOTE: If R reports a mixture of several races (biracial, mixed, mulatto, etc.), ENTER all groups that are part of the mixture.

American Indian or Alaska Native1
Asian.....2
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander..3
Black or African American4
White5

{ ASKED ONLY IF MULTIPLE RACE GROUPS MENTIONED

RACEBEST

AC-4. Which of these groups, that is (RACE GROUPS SELECTED ABOVE) would you say best describes your racial background?

(DISPLAY ONLY THOSE GROUPS MENTIONED IN RRACE AC-3)

{ ASKED ONLY IF R REFUSED OR DIDN'T KNOW RACE

Observed Race Measures:

OBSERVE

AC-5. *ENTER race of respondent by observation*

Black.....1
White.....2
Other.....7

Reflected Race Measures: N/A

Phenotype Measures: N/A

Race or Ethnic origin of Respondent's Parents: N/A

Interviewer Characteristics:

NSFG data in this public use file were collected using in-person interviews by trained female interviewers, in respondents' homes.

Other Race Measures:

RACEHX

CB-9. Which of the groups on Card 2 describes (HUSBAND)'s racial background?
Please select one or more groups.

ENTER all that apply

mulatto, etc.), ENTER all groups that are part of the mixture.

American Indian or Alaska Native1
Asian2
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander3
Black or African American4
White5

{ ASKED ONLY FOR R's 1ST OR CURRENT/SEPARATED HUSBAND AND R REPORTED MORE THAN
{ 1 RACE FOR HIM

BSTRACHX

CB-10. Which of these groups, that is (RESPONSES FROM CB-9 RACEHX), would
you say best describes his racial background?

{ Display only those categories reported in CB-9 RACEHX

{ ASKED ONLY FOR CURRENT OR SEPARATED HUSBANDS

CURRENT COHABITING PARTNER (CC)

{ IF R HAS REPORTED A CURRENT COHABITING PARTNER (REGARDLESS OF HER FORMAL
{ MARITAL STATUS), CONTINUE WITH CC SERIES.
{ ELSE GO TO CD SERIES.

{ ASKED IF NO CURRENT COHAB PARTNER WAS LISTED IN HH ROSTER, BUT R REPORTED
{ HAVING ONE IN AB-1 MARSTAT

CPHISP

CC-8. Is (CURR COHAB PARTNER) Hispanic or Latino, or of Spanish origin?

YES.....1
NO.....5

CPRACE

CC-9. Which of the groups on Card 2 describes (CURR COHAB PARTNER)'s racial
background? Please select one or more groups.

ENTER all that apply

*NOTE: If R reports a mixture of several races (biracial, mixed,
mulatto, etc.), ENTER all groups that are part of the mixture.*

American Indian or Alaska Native1
Asian2
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander3
Black or African American4
White5

{ ASKED IF MORE THAN 1 RACE WAS REPORTED

CPBESTR

CC-10. Which of these groups, that is (RESPONSES FROM CC-9 CPRACE), would
you say best describes (CURR COHAB PARTNER)'s racial background?

{ Display only those categories reported in CC-9 CPRACE

CHOSRACE

BK-7. If you could choose exactly the child you wanted, would you prefer to adopt a black child, a white child, or a child of some other race?

ENTER [4] if R says "it doesn't matter" or "any one."

Black.....1
 White.....2
 Some other race.....3
 Indifferent.....4 (BK-9 CHOSEAGE)

{ ASKED IF R SAID SHE PREFERRED SOMETHING OTHER THAN BLACK

TYPRACBK

BK-8a. Would you accept a black child?

Yes1
 No5

{ ASKED IF R SAID SHE PREFERRED SOMETHING OTHER THAN WHITE

TYPRACWH

BK-8b. Would you accept a white child?

Yes1
 No5

{ ASKED IF R SAID SHE PREFERRED SOMETHING OTHER THAN "OTHER RACE"

TYPRACOT

BK-8c. Would you accept a child of some other race, neither black nor white?

Yes1
 No5

{ ASKED IF R NOT SEEKING TO ADOPT A CHILD SHE KNOWS

Collected by: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's (CDC) National Center for Health Statistics (NCHS)

Weblinks:

<http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/nsfg.htm>

<http://www.icpsr.umich.edu/icpsrweb/ICPSR/series/48>

<http://www.healthdata.gov/data/dataset/national-survey-family-growth>

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http://www.sscnet.ucla.edu/issr/da/da_catalog/da_catalog_titleRecord.php?studynumber=H1501V1#sthash.incgw9QY.dpuf

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Publications using NSFG data:

http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/nsfg/nsfg_products.htm