Variable	R1	R2	R3	R4	R5	R6	R7	R8	R9	R1 0	R1 1	R12	R13	R14
I. EMPLOYMENT, UNEMPLOYMENT, AND JO	B SEAF	RCH (a	ge re	striction	ons as	of int	ervie	w date	e)					
A. Current Population Survey (CPS): Wee	k befor	e surv	ey											
Labor force and employment status	Y≥15			≥15						*				
Worked for profit or pay; worked at unpaid position in family business or farm	Y≥15			≥15						*				
Hours per week worked or usually worked at main job	Y≥15			≥15						*				
Hours per week worked at main job last week	Y≥15			≥15						*				
Number of overtime hours	Y≥15			≥15						*				
Reason worked part time	Y≥15			≥15						*				
Reason absent from work	Y≥15			≥15						*				
Actual weeks or expected duration of layoff	Y≥15			≥15						*				
Disability prevents Y from working or accepting work	Y≥15			≥15						*				
Length of time spent looking for work	Y≥15			≥15						*				
Search methods used in last 4 weeks	Y≥15			≥15						*				
Is Y searching for part-time or full- time job	Y≥15			≥15						*				
B. Characteristics of employee jobs (start year)	ing in r	ound 4	1, also	self-e	emplo	yed jo	bs of	youth	s age	18 at	end o	of prior	calen	dar
1. Jobs of any length														
Who helped Y find job	Y≥14													
Job start and stop dates	Y≥14	≥14	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Industry and occupation at start date	Y≥14	≥14	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Rate of pay at start date	Y≥14	≥14	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Usual hours per week worked	Y≥14	≥14	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Overtime rate of pay at start date	Y≥14	≥14	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*

Table codes: For round 1, Y=Youth Questionnaire, P=Parent Questionnaire, S=Screener, Household Roster, and Nonresident Roster Questionnaire. An asterisk in subsequent rounds indicates the variable was present in the youth questionnaire. A number with the symbol \geq or = in front of it (such as \geq 15) indicates the question was asked in the youth questionnaire to an age-restricted subsample. In rounds 2–5, U=Household Income Update.

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Weeks Y had worked as of job's stop date	Y≥14	≥14	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Class of worker	Y≥16	≥16	≥16	≥16	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Y covered by collective bargaining (all jobs in R 1)	Y≥16	≥16	≥16	≥16	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Reason for gap during employment	Y≥14	≥14	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Did Y look for work during gap	Y≥14	≥14	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Age, race, and sex of immediate supervisor (all jobs in R 1)	Y≥16	≥16	≥16	≥16	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*		
Shift worked (all jobs in R 1)	Y≥16	≥16	≥16	≥16	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Size of employer (# employees/locations/people worked for Y) (all jobs in R 1)	Y≥16	≥16	≥16	≥16	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Benefits available at employer (all jobs in R 1)	Y≥16	≥16	≥16	≥16	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Reason for leaving job or reason self- employment job ended	Y≥16	≥16	≥16	≥16	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
General job satisfaction (all jobs in R 1)	Y≥16	≥16	≥16	≥16	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Volunteer work: frequency and reason									*		*			*
2. Jobs lasting more than 13 weeks									-		-			
Y covered by collective bargaining (all jobs in R 1)	Y≥16	≥16	≥16	≥16	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Age, race, and sex of immediate supervisor (all jobs in R 1)	Y≥16	≥16	≥16	≥16	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Shift worked (all jobs in R 1)	Y≥16	≥16	≥16	≥16	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Size of employer (# employees/locations/people worked for Y) (all jobs in R 1)	Y≥16	≥16	≥16	≥16	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Benefits available at employer (all jobs in R 1)	Y≥16	≥16	≥16	≥16	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
General job satisfaction (all jobs in R 1)	Y≥16	≥16	≥16	≥16	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*

Variable	R1	R2	R3	R4	R5	R6	R7	R8	R9	R1 0	R1 1	R12	R13	R14
Occupation and industry at current or stop date	Y≥14	≥14	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Rate of pay at current or stop date	Y≥14	≥14	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Overtime rate of pay at current or stop date	Y≥14	≥14	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Usual hours per week at current or stop date	Y≥14	≥14	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
C. Characteristics of freelance jobs (any le	ength)1													
Type and duration of freelance job(s)	Υ	*	*	*	*									
Who helped Y find job	Υ													
Usual hours worked per week	Υ	*	*	*	*									
Number of weekdays, weekends worked	Y	*	*	*	*									
Number of days per week usually worked	Y	*	*	*	*									
Hours per day worked on weekdays, weekends	Υ	*	*	*	*									
Usual weekly earnings	Υ	*	*	*	*									
Number of weeks worked at job	Υ	*	*	*	*									
1. Self-employment jobs for youths earning	ng \$200	or m	ore pe	r wee	k									
Industry and occupation	Y≥16	≥16	≥16	2	2	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Number of people who worked for Y	Y≥16	≥16	≥16	2	2	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Reason job ended	Y≥16	≥16	≥16	2	2	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
D. Military (Youths age 16 and older who	report a	an ong	going	ob)					-		•			
Branch of Armed Forces		*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Current or most recent military occupation		*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*

¹ In rounds 1 and 2, the survey collected characteristics of freelance jobs for youths ages 14 or older (as of the interview date) and characteristics of all jobs for youths ages 12 and 13. The round 3 survey gathered characteristics of freelance jobs for all youths. Round 4 included freelance jobs for youths born in 1983 or 1984. Round 5 included freelance jobs only for youths born in 1984.

² Youths age 16 or older at the interview date but younger than 18 at the end of the previous calendar year answer these questions. Older youths report information on self-employment jobs in the regular employee jobs section. Starting in round 6, all self-employed jobs were collected inside the regular employment section, regardless of the amount earned or the age of the respondent.

Variable	R1	R2	R3	R4	R5	R6	R7	R8	R9	R1 0	R1 1	R12	R13	R14
Current pay grade or pay grade when entered			*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Mlitary veterans series of questions: combat/war zone duty, grade/rank and MOS when discharged, reserve experience, service medals, service-connected disabilities, participation in transition back to civilian life program, use of state workforce office for job searches.													*	*
E. Periods not working at an employee job	ס													
Start and stop date of period not working	Y≥14	≥14	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Number of weeks on layoff	Y≥14	≥14	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Number of weeks unemployed	Y≥14	≥14	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Number of weeks out of labor force	Y≥14	≥14	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Number of weeks actively looking for work	Y≥14	≥14	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Methods of job search used	Y≥14	≥14	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Main reason did not look for work	Y≥14	≥14	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Details of injuries/illinesses related to Worker's Comp													*	*
II. SCHOOLING (age restrictions as of 12/3	31/96)													
Y's educational history (number of schools, type) (since last interview)	Р	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Current enrollment status	Y, P	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Grade level currently attending	Y, P	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Reason stopped attending school	Υ	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Date of last enrollment	Υ	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Type of school attended (public, private, or alternative)	Υ	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Degree and date degree received	Υ	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Highest grade level attended	Y, P	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Highest degree received							*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*

Variable	R1	R2	R3	R4	R5	R6	R7	R8	R9	R1 0	R1 1	R12	R13	R14
Highest grade level completed	Υ	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Did Y ever skip or repeat a grade (since last interview)	Р	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*			
Gaps in enrollment	Р	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Grade level(s) when and duration for which Y was suspended from school	Y, P	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*			
Y's experiences in school during fall term	Υ													
PIAT Math score—R 1-5: Youths in 9th or lower grade in R 1, R 6: Youths currently in high school	Y	=12	=12	=12	=12	=12								
A. High school														
High school curriculum	Υ	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*			
Grades received in 8th grade and high school	Υ	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*			
Grade Y took SAT I or ACT, highest scores (in R 2-6, grade 11 or higher only)	Y	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*			
Subjects of AP exams taken (in R 2-6), highest score (R 1)	Y, P	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*			
Math and science courses taken or completed in grades 7 through 12	Υ	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*			
Expected graduation date	Υ	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*			
Y received regular high school diploma	Υ	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Y received GED	Υ	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Reason for and type of academic class taken during break	Р													
B. School-based learning programs														
Y participated in school-based learning programs	Y	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*		
Type(s) of school-based learning programs	Y	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*		
Number of weeks/days/hours participated in most recent program	Υ	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*		

Variable	R1	R2	R3	R4	R5	R6	R7	R8	R9	R1 0	R1 1	R12	R13	R14
Stipend Y received for participation	Υ	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*		
C. College														
Number of colleges or universities attended	Y	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Type of college Y currently attending (2-year or 4-year; public or private)	Y	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Y currently full- or part-time student	Υ	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Cost of attendance at Y's college	Υ	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Type and amount of educational loans or financial aid	Υ	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Type of diploma/degree/certificate working toward	Y	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Type of degree received	Υ	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Number of credits required for Y's degree	Y	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
College credits Y earned before college	Y	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Method of earning college credits before college	Υ	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Date and terms Y enrolled	Υ	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Number of credits enrolled for or earned per term	Υ	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Grade point average (GPA) in each term	Υ	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Field of study in each term	Υ	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Terms in which Y took remedial math or English course	Υ	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
D. College Choice													,	
Colleges applied to (geocode only)							*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Location of colleges applied to (geocode only)							*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Amount and type of financial aid and scholarships offered							*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
III. TRAINING (age restrictions as of interv	iew dat	te)												

Variable	R1	R2	R3	R4	R5	R6	R7	R8	R9	R1 0	R1 1	R12	R13	R14
Type(s) of training program(s)	Y≥16	≥16	≥16	≥16	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Number and duration of training programs	Y≥16	≥16	≥16	≥16	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Type of degree/certificate/journeyman's card	Y≥16	≥16	≥16	≥16	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Hours per day and days per week Y usually in training	Y≥16	≥16	≥16	≥16	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Method of financing training program	Y≥16	≥16	≥16	≥16	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Amount of training allowance (govt program)	Y≥16	≥16	≥16	≥16	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Skills learned in program	Y≥16	≥16	≥16	≥16	*	*	*	*	*	*	*			
Services provided by program	Y≥16	≥16	≥16	≥16	*	*	*	*	*	*	*			
Participate in job search assistance training	Y≥16	≥16	≥16	≥16	*	*	*	*	*	*	*			
Training related to specific employer	Y≥16	≥16	≥16	≥16	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Reason for enrolling in training program if employer paid	Y≥16	≥16	≥16	≥16	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Did Y complete training program	Y≥16	≥16	≥16	≥16	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
IV. INCOME, ASSETS, AND PROGRAM PAR														
A. Income (all questions except wages/sa	lary and	d pare	ntal a	llowar	nce as	ked o	nly of	indep	ende	nt you	iths)			
Previous year's income from wages or salary (collected separately for Y and spouse)	Y, P	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Previous year's income from farm or own business (collected separately for Y and spouse)	Y	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Previous year's income from child support	Y	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Previous year's interest or dividend payments	Y	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Previous year's income from states/trusts/annuities/inheritance	Y	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Previous year's income from rental properties	Y	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*

Variable	R1	R2	R3	R4	R5	R6	R7	R8	R9	R1 0	R1 1	R12	R13	R14
Previous year's income from parental transfers other than allowance	Y	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Previous year's income from other sources	Y	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Previous year's income from parental allowance	Y	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Previous year's income paid to parents	Y, P													
Y or spouse/partner claimed Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC) on previous tax return	Y	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Extreme financial situations: cash advance or payday loan used, late rent/mortgage, pressure from bill collectors											*	*	*	*
B. Assets (questions are asked only of inc	lepende	ent yo	uths a	nd at	varie	dages	s) ³							
Market value of Y's residence or business	Υ	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Purchase price of residence		*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Amount of rent/mortgage/land contract/loans	Υ	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Improvements to property since last interview		*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Y paid property taxes	Υ	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Average amount spent on utilities per month	Υ	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Value of Y's stock or mutual funds	Y	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Value of Y's retirement plan	Υ	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Y's current checking and savings balance	Y	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Value of certificates of deposit/bonds/bills	Y	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*

³ Youths are asked many of these asset questions in the first interview after they become independent, turn age 18, turn age 20, turn 25 (in "Assets 25" section), and turn 30 (in "Assets 30" section). For any given round, therefore, many asset questions will be asked only of a subset of the respondents. They will continue to be asked periodically in future rounds.

Variable	R1	R2	R3	R4	R5	R6	R7	R8	R9	R1 0	R1 1	R12	R13	R14
Value of real estate	Υ	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Value of business or professional practice	Υ	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Value of and amount owed on motor vehicles	Υ	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Estimated net value of Y's household furnishings	Υ	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Value of other assets	Y	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Amount of loans (\$200 or more) Y received (\$1000 or more in Assets 25 section)	Y	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Amount owed on other types of debt	Y	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Bankruptcy declaration details									*	*	*	*	*	*
Value of assets owned solely by spouse/partner		*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Amount of college loans							*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
C. Program participation (all questions as noted)	ked onl	y of ir	idepei	ndent	youth	s) (as	ked o	f Y an	d spou	use jo	intly e	except	where	
# and duration of unemployment compensation spells, income per week each spell (Y and spouse collected separately)	Y	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
# and duration of workers' compensation spells, income per week each spell (Y and spouse collected separately)	Y	*	*	*	*									
Source of workers' compensation payments	Υ	*	*	*	*									
Income from workers' compensation, amount received (Y and spouse collected separately)	Y					*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
# and duration of AFDC/TANF/ADC spells, income per month each spell	Y	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	Inco me only
Persons covered under the AFDC/TANF/ADC program	Y	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	

Variable	R1	R2	R3	R4	R5	R6	R7	R8	R9	R1 0	R1 1	R12	R13	R14
# and duration of Food Stamp (FS) spells, value of FS received per month each spell	Y	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	Value only
Persons covered under the FS program	Y	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	
# and duration of WIC spells, income per month each spell	Y	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	Inco me only
Persons covered under the WIC program	Y	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
# and duration of Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program spells, income per spell	Y													
# and duration of other welfare spells, income per month each spell	Y	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	Inco me only
Persons covered under other welfare programs	Y	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	
Y lives in public housing or receives rental vouchers	Y	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
D. Welfare Knowledge (geocode release-	selecte	d resp	onder	nts on	ly)									
Words used by Y to describe assistance programs							*							
Y's knowledge of assistance program eligibility							*							
Y's knowledge of assistance program benefits							*							
Y's knowledge of assistance program time limits							*							
V. FAMILY FORMATION (age restrictions as	s of end	d of pr	eviou	s cale	ndar y	/ear—	12/31	/96 in	rd 1,	12/31	/97 in	rd 2,	and so	on)
A. Marital history														
Spells Y married or lived with sexual partner	Y≥16	≥16	≥16	≥16	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Y's current marital status	Y≥16	≥16	≥16	≥16	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Duration of Y's and partner's cohabitation	Y≥16	≥16	≥16	≥16	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*

Variable	R1	R2	R3	R4	R5	R6	R7	R8	R9	R1 0	R1 1	R12	R13	R14
Current partner's age, race, highest grade completed, degree earned, and labor market status (from HH roster; only in R 2-6 if new to HH)	Y	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Demographic characteristics of noncurrent partner (new since last interview)	Y≥16	≥16	≥16	≥16	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Partner's religion	Y≥16	≥16	≥16	≥16	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Partner enrolled in government program	Y≥16	≥16	≥16	≥16	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Changes in relationship status	Y≥16	≥16	≥16	≥16	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Y's and partner's relationship quality (questions vary)	Y≥16			≥16	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
B. Fertility and children														
Number, sex, and ages of biological children	S, Y	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Number, sex, and ages of adopted children ⁴	S, Y	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Number and outcome of pregnancies not ending in live births	Y≥14	≥14	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Fertility expectations													*	*
Infertility details													*	*
Current residence of live biological or adopted children ⁴	Y	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Y has legal responsibility for or custody of biological or adopted child ⁴	Υ	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Male youths: has Y gotten someone pregnant, number, outcome		*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Male youths: quality of relationship with child's mother				*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Female youths: quality of relationship with child's father					*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*

⁴ In round 1, information on adopted children was collected only if such children were reported on the household or nonresident rosters; otherwise, an age filter made these questions impossible to reach. In rounds 2 through 4, these questions were asked only of respondents who reported an adopted child on the household or nonresident roster or who were age 17 or older as of the end of the previous calendar year.

Variable	R1	R2	R3	R4	R5	R6	R7	R8	R9	R1 0	R1 1	R12	R13	R14
Male youths: current economic status of child's mother, amount of informal child support				*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Female youths: current economic status of child's father, amount of informal child support					*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Male youths: contact with resident and nonresident children				*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Race, age, highest grade completed, welfare recipiency, school enrollment, religion, and labor force status of other parent at conception (if not already collected in household roster or marriage section)	Y	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
C. Childcare														
1. Female youths with at least one reside	nt child	unde	r the a	age of	13									
Hours spent at work, at school, at training, or commuting in a typical week					*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Type of childcare					*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Hours spouse/partner cared for child					*				*			*		
Specify relatives who care for child, location of this care					*				*			*		
Hours spent in each type of childcare					*				*			*		
Payment details (total amount, amount of funding from outside source)					*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Who most often dropped off and picked up child at childcare, travel time					*				*			*		
2. Female youths with children who did no	ot use o	hild c	are			, 								
# of relatives living close to youth's home					*				*			*		
These relatives able to care for child without or with pay, amount would need					*				*			*		

Variable	R1	R2	R3	R4	R5	R6	R7	R8	R9	R1 0	R1 1	R12	R13	R14
Amount expect to pay or be willing to pay for outside care provider					*				*			*		
3. Female youths born in 1983 or 1984 w	ithout c	hildre	n											
# of relatives living close to Y's home					*				*			*		
Any relatives be able to care for child					*				*			*		
Amount expect to pay or be willing to pay for outside care provider					*				*			*		
VI. FAMILY BACKGROUND (age restrictions	s as of	12/31,	/1996))										
A. Parent history and current status														
Parent nationality	Р					*	*	*	*					
Parent birthplace/date of birth	Р													
Parent religious affiliation when growing up and currently	Р													
Reason parent did not live with both biological parents	Р													
Grandparents' birthplace										*	*	*	*	
Parents' # of siblings	Р												*	*
Type of community when parent was age 14	Р													
Y's parents' parents' birth year and highest grade completed	Р													
Language spoken by parent at time of survey	Р													
Highest grade parent completed	P,S													
Highest degree received						*	*	*	*					
# and duration of parents' previous marriages	Р													
Parent employment history (dates, hours per week worked)	Р													
Parents' earnings in last calendar year (in rounds 1 and 2, independent youths and youths age 14 or older as of previous calendar year)	P, Y	Y, U	Y, U	Y, U	Y, U	*	*	*	*	Sub -set onl y	Sub -set onl y	Sub- set only		
Parents' participation in and income from government program	Р													

Variable	R1	R2	R3	R4	R5	R6	R7	R8	R9	R1 0	R1 1	R12	R13	R14
Parent income from all other sources	Р	U	U	U	U									
Value of parents' IRA or prepaid tuition accounts	Р													
Value of parents' assets	Р													
Amount of parents' debt	Р													
Parents' height and weight	Р													
Parents' longstanding health problem	Р													
Parents' (and other family members') diabetes, other health issues													*	*
Parents' mortality, cause of death, age at death													*	*
Parent's attitude toward self	P=12- 14													
Parent's attitude toward certain behaviors	P=13													
Parent's attitude toward relationship with partner	P=12- 14													
B. Youth history	•					,			,			,		
Country/state of birth					*	*	*	*		*	*	*	*	*
Citizenship status					*	*	*	*		*	*	*	*	*
Age when first came to United States					*	*	*	*		*	*	*	*	*
Which parent(s) Y lives with	Р	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Custody arrangements	Р	*	*	*	*	*								
# of residential moves away from parent	Р						*	*						
Y has adoptive parent(s)	Р	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Is Y legally adopted, year adoption occurred	Р													
Did Y ever live with biological parent	Р						*	*	*					
Distance from biological mother/father	S													
Date biological mother/father died	S													
Y ever in Head Start	Р													
Y at childcare from birth to age 5	Р													

Variable	R1	R2	R3	R4	R5	R6	R7	R8	R9	R1 0	R1 1	R12	R13	R14
Y's biological father legally identified by medical test, signed legal or nonlegal document	Р													
C. Household environment														
Y's house conducive to studying, had computer in the past month	Y≤14	≤14	≤14	*	≤13	*	*							
Days per week Y's family interrelates	Y≤14	≤14	≤14	≤14										
Days per week Y's family completes housework	Y≤14													
Days per week Y hears gunshots in the neighborhood	Y≤14													
Y was victim of crime before age 12	Υ													
Y was victim of crime between ages 12 and 18 (if not already answered) (age restrictions as of end of previous calendar year)		≥18	≥18	≥18	≥18	≥18	≥18							
Specific traumatic events (past 5 years)						*					*		*	
D. Household information														
Relationship of other household occupants to Y	S	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Relationship of nonresident relatives to Y	S													
Household occupants' demographics (age, sex, race, ethnicity, marital status) Some questions limited to parents, spouse/partner, and older children beginning in R 13	S	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Household occupants' religious preference. Limited to parents, spouse/partner, and older children after R 12.			*	*	*	*	*	*				*		
Nonresident demographics (age, sex, race, ethnicity, marital status)	S													
Current labor force status: household occupants age 16 and older	S	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*

Variable	R1	R2	R3	R4	R5	R6	R7	R8	R9	R1 0	R1 1	R12	R13	R14
Employment status in 1996: nonresident spouse, biological or adoptive parent	S													
Current or most recent occupation, weeks worked in past year: HH occupants 16 and older	S													
Current enrollment status, highest degree and grade completed: household occupants. Limited to parents, spouse/partner, and older children beginning in R 13	S	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Highest grade completed: nonresidents	S													
Income received, all sources: household occupants age 14 and older (independent youths)	P, Y	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Type of dwelling	S	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
VII. EXPECTATIONS (age restrictions as of	12/31/	96)												
Situations parent expects Y to be in during next year, by age 20, and by age 30	P≥15													
-+260+Situations Y expects to be in during next year, by age 20, and by age 30 in R 1; by next year and in 5 years for R 4; various times in R 5	Y≥15			*	*									
VIII. ATTITUDES, BEHAVIORS, AND TIME U	SE													
A. Attitudes (age restrictions as of 12/31/	96)													
Y's perception of teachers, school discipline, school safety	Y													
Percent of peers Y believes participate in various activities	Υ													
Percent of peers Y believes have had sexual intercourse	Y≥15													
Y's contact with absent parent	Υ	*	*	<14	<14	≥13	*	*	*	*	*	*		*
Y's opinion of parent's supportiveness, permissiveness	Y	*	*	*		≥13	*			*		*		*

Variable	R1	R2	R3	R4	R5	R6	R7	R8	R9	R1 0	R1 1	R12	R13	R14
Y's opinion of resident/biological mother, resident/biological father	Y=12- 14	=12 -14	=12 -14		*		*							
Belief about parent's knowledge of Y's activities	Y=12- 14	=12 -14	=12 -14	=12 -14	*		*							
Frequency of contact between Y's parents, level of friendliness and hostility	Y=12- 14	=12 , 13	=12 , 13	=12 -14		*								
Y's opinion of parents' relationship behaviors	Y=12- 14	=12 -14	=12 -14	=12 -14	=12 -14	<13								
How much say Y has in making rules	P, Y=12, 13	=12 , 13	=12 , 13	=12 , 13	=12 , 13									
Y's communication with and advice from parent figures				*	*	≥13	*	*						
Whom Y would turn to for help with a problem	Y≤14	≤14	≤14	*		*		*		*		*	*	*
Religious identification and attendance (questions vary)	Y			*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Y's perception of criminal justice system	Y	*	*	*	*	*	*							
Y's perception of own personality traits (series shortened in R7)						≤14	≤14					*		
Series about Y's best friend						=13 , 14		=13 , 14						
Frequency/importance of family events and holidays					*		*		*		*			*
Persons Y turns to for advice on relationships							*		*					
Persons Y turns to for advice on education and employment							*		*	*	*	*		
Persons Y discusses/turns to for advice on finances							*			*	*	*	*	*
Persons Y turns to for advice on work issues										*	*	*		

Variable	R1	R2	R3	R4	R5	R6	R7	R8	R9	R1 0	R1 1	R12	R13	R14
Y's opinions on government responsibility										*				
Y's opinions on personal responsibility											*			
Ladder of life: Y's rating of life now, five years in past and five years in future													*	
Y's perceptions about their risk- taking tendency, work ethic, and rule- following ethic.														*
B. Behaviors (age restrictions as of previous	us cale	ndar y	year—	-12/31	./96 in	roun	d 1, 12	2/31/9	7 in r	ound	2, and	d so fo	rth)	
Dating: Age first dated, frequency of dating, # of people dated	Y	*	*	*	*									
More detailed dating series about most recent partner						*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Age first had sexual intercourse	Y≥14	≥14	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*				
# of sexual partners	Y≥14	≥14	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Characteristics of first and most recent sexual partner or experience				*	*	*	*	*	*	*				
Risky sexual behaviors				*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Type and use of birth control (condom, other)	Y≥14	≥14	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Expanded section on contraceptive choice (asked of a subset of respondents)											*			
Amount of cigarettes/alcohol/marijuana in past month	Y	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Age of first cigarette/alcohol/marijuana use	Υ	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*					
Age first used/frequency of use of other drugs such as cocaine, crack, heroin		*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Age first time/# of times ever ran away (age restriction as of last interview date)	Y	≤16	≤16	≤16	≤16	≤16	≤16							
Age Y first carried a handgun	Υ	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*					

Variable	R1	R2	R3	R4	R5	R6	R7	R8	R9	R1 0	R1 1	R12	R13	R14
Y carried a handgun in the last month	Υ	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Age Y joined a gang	Y	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*					
Type of crimes Y committed	Y	*	*	*	*	*	*	6	*	*	*	*	*	*
Age when Y committed crime first time	Y													
Number of crimes committed in the previous year or since last interview	Υ	*	*	*	*	*	*	6	*	*	*	*	*	*
Amount from selling illegal drugs or merchandise	Y	*	*	*	*	*	*	6	*	*				
# of times Y arrested	Y	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Date of Y's first or most recent arrest	Y	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	*	*	*	*	*	*
Offense charged with for each arrest	Y	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Y convicted or plead guilty for each arrest	Υ	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Facility, duration of sentence	Υ	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Details of imprisonment (Consequences such as loss of job, loss of children, etc., services offered while in prison, visits from family, etc.)												*	*	*
Details of post-incarceration, parole experience												*	*	*
Y's Internet experience and current access to the Internet (questions vary).							*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
C. Time use (age restrictions as of 12/31/	96)													
Time spent on homework (weekends/weekdays)	Y=12- 14													
Time in extra classes, reading, watching TV (weekends/weekdays)	Y=12- 14													
Time Y usually gets up (not enrolled or employed youths)	Y≥16	≥15	≥15											

⁵ First commission of a crime and first arrest information were collected in a later round only if not available from a previous round.

⁶ Questions were asked only to those previously arrested and the control group.

Variable	R1	R2	R3	R4	R5	R6	R7	R8	R9	R1 0	R1 1	R12	R13	R14
Place Y goes to on a regular basis, time goes and returns (not enrolled or employed)	Y≥16	≥15	≥15											
Attitudes about how much time spent on paid job, housework, family, friends, leisure activities, relaxing										*				
IX. HEALTH (age restrictions as of 12/31/9	96)													
Y's general health	Y, P	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Mental health in past month (series)				*		*		*		*		*	*	*
Y practices health-related behaviors (details vary, shortened in R7)	Y=13					*	*				*			
Y's opinion on effects of smoking or drinking	Y=13					=13								
Y's height and weight	Υ	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Y's perception about weight	Υ	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Y's health insurance coverage	Y,P					*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Y diagnosed with chronic health condition	Р					*					*	*	*	*
Age first noticed health condition	Р					*					*	*	*	*
Health condition limits school or work activities	Р					*					*	*	*	*
Visits to doctor in past 12 months						*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Hospitalization in past 5 years											*	*	*	
Traumatic health incidents (victim of violent crime, homelessness, death of close relative, lengthy unemployment or incarceration for household member, divorce of parents). Five year retrospective.						*					*	*	*	
Knowledge of pregnancy and birth control	Y=13					=13					*			
Has Y entered puberty and age at onset	Y	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*		
Physical exercise: level and amount													*	*
Food consumption practices													*	*

Variable	R1	R2	R3	R4	R5	R6	R7	R8	R9	R1 0	R1 1	R12	R13	R14
Dental hygiene habits													*	*
Extended series of health questions asked when respondent turns 29. Includes questions about family history of illnesses and mortality, activity limitations due to health, etc.													*	*
X. POLITICAL PARTICIPATION														
Interested in government and public affairs								*		*		*		*
Voter registration								*		*		*		*
Did Y vote in recent election								*		*		*		*
XI. ENVIRONMENTAL VARIABLES (in main	data se	et)												
Dates of residential moves to new State/city/county (since last interview)		*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Current residence urban or rural	Υ	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Current residence in metropolitan statistical area	Y	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Region of residence	Υ	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*