

APPENDIX A

Selected Variables of Interest from NLSY79 Data*

Item #	Question	Year	CHI^2	Df	P value	N (12686)
30	LIVED IN PRESENT RESIDENCE SINCE BIRTH? 79 INT	79	0.08	1	0.77	12685
65	HIGHEST GRADE COMPLETED BY R'S MOTHER 79 INT	79	12.47	6	0.05	12656
68	DID MOTHER/STEPMOTHER WORK FOR PAY? 1978	79	3.77	2	0.15	12030
70	DID MOTHER/STEPMOTHER WORK > 35 HOURS PER WEEK IN 1978?	79	1.94	1	0.16	7147
79	HIGHEST GRADE COMPLETED BY R'S FATHER 79 INT	79	16.89	6	0.01	12453
84	DID FATHER/STEPFATHER WORK > 35 HOURS PER WEEK IN 1978?	79	0.02	1	0.88	9124
91	NUMBER OF SIBLINGS 79 INT	79	5.34	6	0.50	12668
95	HIGHEST GRADE COMPLETED BY OLDEST SIBLING 79 INT	79	8.91	6	0.18	9694
96	1ST OR ONLY RACIAL/ETHNIC ORIGIN 79 INT	79	27.27	14	0.02	12524
105	FREQUENCY OF R'S RELIGIOUS ATTENDANCE 79 INT	79	61.58	5	0.00	12669
153	TOTAL NUMBER OF CHILDREN R EXPECTS TO HAVE 79 INT	79	18.88	5	0.00	12460
159	CURRENT SCHOOL ATTITUDE—FRIENDS CAN EASILY BE MADE	79	2.86	3	0.41	5730
160	CURRENT SCHOOL ATTITUDE—TEACHERS WILLING TO HELP	79	0.81	3	0.85	5726
161	CURRENT SCHOOL ATTITUDE—CLASSES ARE BORING 79 INT	79	2.56	3	0.46	5729
162	CURRENT SCHOOL ATTITUDE—R DOES NOT FEEL SAFE 79 INT	79	5.37	3	0.15	5730
163	CURRENT SCHOOL ATTITUDE—TEACHERS KNOW THEIR SUBJECTS	79	2.06	3	0.56	5726
164	CURRENT SCHOOL ATTITUDE—STUDENTS CAN "GET AWAY WITH"	79	19.47	3	0.00	5725
165	CURRENT SCHOOL ATTITUDE—SCHOOL WORK REQUIRES THOUGHT	79	13.20	3	0.00	5729
166	CURRENT SCHOOL ATTITUDE—FREEDOM TO PURSUE INTERESTS	79	3.51	3	0.32	5726
167	CURRENT SCHOOL ATTITUDE—SCHOOL OFFERS GOOD JOB	79	9.81	3	0.02	5686
168	ATTITUDE TOWARD CURRENT SCHOOL 79 INT	79	9.25	3	0.03	5709
171	REASON R LEFT SCHOOL (NOT ENROLLED) 79 INT	79	68.03	11	0.00	5231
172	HIGHEST GRADE ATTENDED 79 INT	79	46.98	5	0.00	12675
173	HIGHEST GRADE COMPLETED 79 INT	79	40.48	5	0.00	12676
175	IS CURRENT OR LAST SCHOOL GRADES 1–12 PUBLIC	79	1.11	1	0.29	12665
186	INT CHECK 79—IS R CURRENTLY ENROLLED IN GRADES 9–12?	79	0.09	1	0.76	12644
196	TYPE OF CURRENT OR LAST SCHOOL CURRICULUM IN GRADES 9–12	79	12.94	3	0.00	11526
234	HIGHEST GRADE COMPLETED R WOULD LIKE 79 INT	79	10.32	4	0.04	12624
235	HIGHEST GRADE COMPLETED R EXPECTS 79 INT	79	32.30	4	0.00	12565
236	HIGHEST GRADE COMPLETED R'S CLOSEST FRIEND WOULD LIKE 79	79	22.38	4	0.00	12366
270	PROBLEMS IN GETTING A GOOD JOB—TRANSPORTATION? 79 INT	79	2.56	1	0.11	10065
271	PROBLEMS IN GETTING A GOOD JOB—RACE DISCRIMINATION?	79	1.50	1	0.22	10058
272	PROBLEMS IN GETTING A GOOD JOB—NATIONALITY DISCRIMINATION?	79	0.11	1	0.74	10054
273	PROBLEMS IN GETTING A GOOD JOB—SEX DISCRIMINATION? 79	79	0.02	1	0.89	10057
274	PROBLEMS IN GETTING A GOOD JOB—AGE DISCRIMINATION? 79	79	15.05	1	0.00	10063
275	PROBLEMS IN GETTING A GOOD JOB—ENGLISH IS A FOREIGN LANG	79	0.38	1	0.54	10059
434	ACTIVITY MOST OF SURVEY WEEK CPS ITEM 79 INT	79	43.46	6	0.00	11465
507	R'S OPINION OF DEGREE OF DIFFICULTY IN FINDING A NEW JOB	79	0.43	2	0.81	6301
1451	INT CHECK 79—DOES R HAVE HEALTH LIMITATIONS—ITEMS 2A	79	0.00	1	0.94	12465
1709	WORK COMMITMENT—SEEK MORE EDUC IF UNABLE TO SUPPORT FAMILY	79	5.01	1	0.03	12560
1710	WORK COMMITMENT—GO ON WELFARE IF UNABLE TO SUPPORT FAMILY	79	2.50	1	0.11	12423
1711	WORK COMMITMENT—ENTER TRAINING IF UNABLE TO SUPPORT FAMILY	79	0.14	1	0.71	12571
1712	WORK COMMITMENT—APPLY 4 FOOD STAMPS IF UNABLE TO SUP FAM	79	3.99	1	0.05	12432
1713	WORK COMMITMENT—SHOPLIFT IF UNABLE TO SUPPORT FAMILY	79	31.97	1	0.00	12574
1714	WORK COMMITMENT—WOULD WORK IF COULD LIVE COMFORTABLY	79	1.15	1	0.28	12646
1716	MARITAL STATUS EXPECTATIONS—MARRIED OR NOT IN 5 YEARS	79	4.37	1	0.04	10453
1718	EDUCATIONAL EXPECTATIONS—IN SCHOOL OR NOT IN 5 YEARS	79	0.05	1	0.81	12237
1719	EMPLOYMENT EXPECTATIONS—WORKING OR NOT IN 5 YEARS 79	79	3.47	1	0.06	12413
1720	OCCUPATION EXPECTATIONS IN 5 YEARS (CENSUS 3 DIGIT) 79	79	28.99	13	0.01	12686

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2147	R'S RACIAL/ETHNIC COHORT FROM SCREENER 79 INT	79	30.51	2	0.00	12686
2148	SEX OF R 79 INT	79	100.19	1	0.00	12686
2165	AGE OF R AT INTERVIEW DATE 79 INT	79	14.67	8	0.07	12686
2167	HIGHEST GRADE COMPLETED AS OF MAY 1 SURVEY YEAR	79	44.31	6	0.00	12680
2314	EVER BEEN SUSPENDED FROM SCHOOL? 80 INT	80	276.20	1	0.00	12140
2315	NUMBER OF TIMES R HAS BEEN SUSPENDED FROM SCHOOL 80 INT	80	351.73	6	0.00	12106
3035	SELF-ESTEEM 80 INT—I AM A PERSON OF WORTH 80 INT	80	3.89	2	0.14	12120
3036	SELF-ESTEEM 80 INT—I HAVE A NUMBER OF GOOD QUALITIES	80	1.02	2	0.60	12117
3037	SELF-ESTEEM 80 INT—I FEEL THAT I AM A FAILURE	80	5.76	2	0.06	12108
3038	SELF-ESTEEM 80 INT—I AM AS CAPABLE AS OTHERS 80 INT	80	1.60	2	0.45	12116
3039	SELF-ESTEEM 80 INT—I DO NOT HAVE MUCH TO BE PROUD	80	5.71	2	0.06	12104
3040	SELF-ESTEEM 80 INT—I HAVE A POSITIVE ATTITUDE 80 INT	80	0.04	2	0.98	12083
3041	SELF-ESTEEM 80 INT—I AM SATISFIED WITH MYSELF 80 INT	80	13.84	2	0.00	12103
3042	SELF-ESTEEM 80 INT—I WISH I HAD MORE SELF-RESPECT 80	80	2.46	3	0.48	12091
3043	SELF-ESTEEM 80 INT—I FEEL USELESS AT TIMES 80 INT	80	1.85	3	0.60	12114
3044	SELF-ESTEEM 80 INT—I SOMETIMES THINK I AM "NO GOOD"	80	3.98	3	0.26	12113
3046	ILLEGAL ACTIVITY 80 INT—TIMES RUN AWAY FROM HOME IN PAST YEAR	80	58.58	4	0.00	12141
3047	ILLEGAL ACTIVITY 80 INT—TIMES SKIPPED SCHOOL DAY IN PAST YEAR	80	100.08	6	0.00	3896
3048	ILLEGAL ACTIVITY —TIMES DRANK ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES PAST YR	80	103.26	6	0.00	3886
3049	ILLEGAL ACTIVITY 80 INT—TIMES INTENTIONALLY DAMAGED IN PAST YR	80	150.90	4	0.00	11734
3050	ILLEGAL ACTIVITY 80 INT—TIMES FOUGHT AT SCHOOL OR WORK PAST YR	80	155.51	4	0.00	11800
3051	ILLEGAL ACTIVITY 80 INT—TIMES SHOPLIFTED IN PAST YEAR	80	217.08	4	0.00	11788
3052	ILLEGAL ACTIVITY 80 INT—TIMES STOLEN OTHER'S < \$50 IN PAST YR	80	114.03	4	0.00	11788
3053	ILLEGAL ACTIVITY 80 INT—TIMES STOLEN OTHER'S > \$50 IN PAST YR	80	195.29	3	0.00	11776
3054	ILLEGAL ACTIVITY —TIMES USED FORCE TO OBTAIN THINGS IN PAST YR	80	37.60	1	0.00	11794
3055	ILLEGAL ACTIVITY —TIMES SERIOUSLY THREATENED TO HIT/HIT PAST YR	80	97.55	4	0.00	11785
3056	ILLEGAL ACTIVITY 80 INT—TIMES ATTACKED W/INTENT TO HARM PAST YR	80	94.50	1	0.00	11792
3057	ILLEGAL ACTIVITY 80 INT—TIMES SMOKED MARIJUANA/HASHISH PAST YR	80	451.98	6	0.00	11722
3058	ILLEGAL ACTIVITY —TIMES USED OTHER DRUGS/CHEMICALS PAST YR	80	452.39	6	0.00	11698
3059	ILLEGAL ACTIVITY 80 INT—TIMES SOLD MARIJUANA/HASHISH PAST YR	80	408.35	6	0.00	11693
3060	ILLEGAL ACTIVITY 80 INT—TIMES SOLD HARD DRUGS IN PAST YR	80	182.66	1	0.00	11717
3061	ILLEGAL ACTIVITY 80 INT—TIMES ATTEMPTED TO "CON" PAST YR	80	99.96	4	0.00	11721
3062	ILLEGAL ACTIVITY 80 INT—TIMES TAKEN AUTO W/OUT OWNER PAST YR	80	60.60	1	0.00	11752
3063	ILLEGAL ACTIVITY 80 INT—TIMES BROKEN INTO A BUILDING PAST YR	80	116.16	1	0.00	11748
3064	ILLEGAL ACTIVITY 80 INT—TIMES KNOWINGLY SOLD/HELD PAST YR	80	168.04	1	0.00	11749
3065	ILLEGAL ACTIVITY 80 INT—TIMES AIDED IN GAMBLING PAST YR	80	35.25	1	0.00	11737
3066	ILLEGAL ACTIVITY —AMT OF TOTAL ILLEGAL INCOME IN PAST YEAR	80	315.99	2	0.00	11447
3067	EVER "STOPPED" BY POLICE FOR OTHER THAN MINOR TRAFFIC	80	139.20	1	0.00	12129
3068	TIMES "STOPPED" BY POLICE 80 INT (EXC MINOR TRAFFIC)	80	194.83	6	0.00	12103
3069	TIMES "STOPPED" BY POLICE IN PAST YEAR 80 INT (EXC MINOR TRAFFIC)	80	147.02	3	0.00	12111
3070	AGE OF R 1ST TIME "STOPPED" BY POLICE 80 INT	80	181.96	6	0.00	12111
3071	EVER CHARGED WITH ILLEGAL ACTIVITY? 80 INT (EXC MINOR TRAFFIC)	80	209.95	1	0.00	12136
3072	TIMES CHARGED WITH ILLEGAL ACTIVITY 80 INT (EXC MINOR TRAFFIC)	80	233.89	3	0.00	12132
3076	AGE AT TIME OF 1ST ILLEGAL ACTIVITY CHARGE 80 INT (EXC MINOR TRAF)	80	226.92	7	0.00	12129
3077	EVER CHARGED WITH ANY ILLEGAL ACTIVITY IN ADULT COURT?	80	0.88	1	0.35	1322
3078	EVER CONVICTED ON CHARGES OTHER THAN MINOR TRAFFIC	80	143.08	1	0.00	12130
3101	EVER BEEN REFERRED TO COURT-RELATED COUNSELING? 80 INT	80	167.70	1	0.00	12121
3105	INT CHECK 80—R EVER BEEN STOPPED, BOOKED/CHARGED,	80	208.59	1	0.00	12124
3109	EVER BEEN SENTENCED TO ANY TYPE OF CORRECTIONAL FACILITY	80	6.90	1	0.01	2749
7801	ALCOHOL USE—EVER HAD A DRINK? 82 INT	82	16.71	1	0.00	12122
7802	ALCOHOL USE—AGE WHEN STARTED DRINKING 82 INT	82	102.41	6	0.00	11111
7803	ALCOHOL USE—HAD ANY ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES IN LAST MONTH?	82	49.62	1	0.00	12121
7804	ALCOHOL USE—FREQUENCY OF 6 OR MORE DRINKS IN LAST MONTH	82	159.22	6	0.00	7885
7805	ALCOHOL USE—FREQUENCY OF GOING TO BARS IN LAST MONTH	82	100.78	5	0.00	7887
7806	ALCOHOL USE—# OF DAYS DRANK ALCOHOL IN LAST WEEK 82	82	120.90	7	0.00	7882

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7807	ALCOHOL USE—# OF CANS/BOTTLES OF BEER CONSUMED IN LAST WEEK	82	82.31	3	0.00	6147
7808	ALCOHOL USE—# OF GLASSES OF WINE CONSUMED IN LAST WEEK	82	5.05	2	0.08	6153
7809	ALCOHOL USE—# OF DRINKS WITH LIQUOR CONSUMED IN LAST WEEK	82	53.41	2	0.00	6154
7810	ALCOHOL USE—DRINKING EVER INTERFERED WITH SCHOOL	82	12.95	1	0.00	11087
7811	ALCOHOL USE—DRINKING EVER INTERFERED WITH JOB? 82	82	49.43	1	0.00	11071
7812	ALCOHOL USE—INT CHECK 83—ANYONE ELSE PRESENT WHEN	82	0.46	1	0.50	11042
10216	ALCOHOL USE—EVER HAD A DRINK? 83 INT	83	10.08	1	0.00	12209
10217	ALCOHOL USE—AGE WHEN STARTED DRINKING 83 INT	83	236.59	9	0.00	11407
10218	ALCOHOL USE—AGE WHEN 1ST STARTED DRINKING AT LEAST WEEKLY	83	176.90	11	0.00	9613
10219	ALCOHOL USE—HAD ANY ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES IN LAST MONTH?	83	67.60	1	0.00	11417
10220	ALCOHOL USE—FREQUENCY OF 6 OR MORE DRINKS LAST MONTH	83	176.56	6	0.00	8055
10221	ALCOHOL USE—# OF DAYS DRANK ALCOHOL IN LAST MONTH 83	83	294.96	12	0.00	12206
10222	ALCOHOL USE—# OF DAYS HAD 1 DRINK IN LAST MONTH 83 INT	83	124.04	7	0.00	12203
10223	ALCOHOL USE—# OF DAYS HAD 2 DRINKS IN LAST MONTH 83 INT	83	112.54	7	0.00	12203
10224	ALCOHOL USE—# OF DAYS HAD 3 DRINKS IN LAST MONTH 83 INT	83	134.12	7	0.00	12203
10225	ALCOHOL USE—# OF DAYS HAD 4 DRINKS IN LAST MONTH 83 INT	83	225.57	7	0.00	12203
10226	ALCOHOL USE—# OF DAYS HAD 5 DRINKS IN LAST MONTH 83 INT	83	92.54	2	0.00	12203
10227	ALCOHOL USE—# OF DAYS HAD 6 OR MORE DRINKS IN LAST MONTH	83	227.13	8	0.00	12203
10229	ALCOHOL USE—FREQUENCY OF GOING TO BARS IN LAST MONTH 83	83	75.13	5	0.00	8054
10230	ALCOHOL USE—# OF DAYS HAD HANGOVER IN LAST MONTH 83 INT	83	162.94	4	0.00	12210
10231	ALCOHOL USE—# OF DAYS DRANK ALCOHOL IN LAST WEEK 83 INT	83	182.61	7	0.00	8061
10232	ALCOHOL USE—# OF CANS/BOTTLES OF BEER CONSUMED IN LAST WEEK	83	257.65	7	0.00	12204
10233	ALCOHOL USE—# OF GLASSES OF WINE CONSUMED IN LAST WEEK	83	148.82	3	0.00	12202
10234	ALCOHOL USE—# OF DRINKS WITH LIQUOR CONSUMED IN LAST WEEK	83	231.79	4	0.00	12202
10235	ALCOHOL USE—DRINKING EVER INTERFERED WITH SCHOOL WORK?	83	16.26	1	0.00	11343
10236	ALCOHOL USE—DRINKING EVER INTERFERED WITH JOB? 83 INT	83	45.90	1	0.00	11343
10237	ALCOHOL USE—INT CHECK 83—ANYONE ELSE PRESENT DURING SEC 12	83	3.87	2	0.14	12197
13948	DRUG USE—AGE WHEN 1ST TRIED A CIGARETTE? 84 INT	84	89.39	13	0.00	12030
13949	DRUG USE—MOST RECENT TIME HAD A CIGARETTE? 84 INT	84	122.73	3	0.00	12045
13950	DRUG USE—# OF CIGARETTES SMOKED PER DAY IN PAST 30 DAYS	84	8.62	5	0.13	5161
39142	DRUG USE—R SMOKED AT LEAST 100 CIGARETTES IN ENTIRE LIFE?	92	149.54	1	0.00	8575
39147	DRUG USE—# CIGARETTES SMOKED PER DAY (R SMOKES DAILY)	92	138.61	4	0.00	8929
50524	DRUG USE—R SMOKED AT LEAST 100 CIGARETTES IN ENTIRE LIFE?	94	184.19	1	0.00	8826
50530	DRUG USE—# CIGARETTES SMOKED PER DAY (R SMOKES DAILY)	94	191.55	6	0.00	8869
64297	DRUG USE—R SMOKED AT LEAST 100 CIGARETTES IN ENTIRE LIFE?	98	155.43	1	0.00	8333
64303	DRUG USE—# CIGARETTES SMOKED PER DAY (R SMOKES DAILY)	98	179.43	7	0.00	8387

*Variables in bold were used in regression modeling.



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