

Friend Health Status
Year 19
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Instrument

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Data Sources

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I. Survey Description

Friend Health Status is a 6-item set about the Fast Track respondent's health conditions, chronic conditions, pain and conditions impeding normal work as reported by a nominated friend

II. Report Sample

These analyses were conducted on friends nominated by respondents of the first cohort on the high-risk Control sample (n = 96) and the Normative sample (n = 195) for the nineteenth year of the study. The distribution of respondents by site was as follows: for the Control sample, 20 were from Durham, 20 were from Nashville, 28 were from Pennsylvania and 19 were from Washington. For the Normative sample, 56 were from Durham, 44 were from Nashville, 58 were from Pennsylvania and 37 were from Washington.

III. Scaling

No scales were constructed for the Health Status measure.

VI. Items Frequency Tables and Means and Standard Deviations

The tables below follow the logic of the questionnaire by displaying frequencies by sample type (High and Low Risk) and health conditions and anthropomorphic measures. Differences in means of number of times the friend of the respondent has been pregnant or gotten someone else pregnant were found non-significant between high and low risk samples.

	High or low risk sample	
	HI	LO
In general, would you say your peer's health is:		
Missing	.	1
Excellent	20	40
Very good	29	72
Good	36	59
Fair	9	21
Poor	2	2
How many times has your peer either been pregnant or gotten someone else pregnant?		
Missing	.	1
0	47	100
1	16	47
2	18	21
3	9	11
4	4	9
5	1	3
8	1	.
999	.	3
Does your peer have any chronic diseases or conditions?		
Missing	.	1
Yes	15	22
No	81	172

How much bodily pain would you say your peer has experienced over the LAST 4 WEEKS?		
Missing	.	1
None	45	90
Very mild	20	50
Mild	13	37
Moderate	11	12
Severe	2	5
Very severe	5	.
Over THE LAST 4 WEEKS, has your peer's physical health made doing work (either at his/her job or at his/her house) more difficult?		
Missing	.	1
Yes	17	21
No	77	172
I prefer not to answer	2	1
On average, how frequently would you say your peer does some form of exercise (i.e. walking, running, biking, swimming, etc.)?		
Missing	.	1
Never	22	23
Less than once a month	15	30
1-4 times a month	17	40
1-2 times a week	15	34
3-5 times a week	13	27
Almost every day	14	40

Variable : f19i390 How many times has your peer either been pregnant or gotten someone else pregnant?			
High or low risk sample	N	Mean	Std Dev
HI	96	1.13	1.45
LO	192	0.91	1.24

V. Recommendations for Use

There are no unusual values for this measure. The user is warned that there are respondents with values 999 ("Refused to Answer") for question Q390 ("How many times has your peer either been pregnant or gotten someone else pregnant?"). No recodes have been made for any of the questions. The user is encouraged to test for association between sample type and discrete variables belonging to this measure.