

Positive Parenting for Offspring (PPO)

Study Year 28

Fast Track Project Technical Report

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Instrument

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Report

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Measure Description

Positive Parenting for Offspring (PPO) is a seven-item measure used to determine the amount of time, care, and attention that parents show their children, as well as their beliefs on how children should be raised. The measure yields two scales that are represented as mean scores: the first is a positive parenting scale and the second is an authoritarian beliefs scale.

Unscored Dataset Name: c28fp

Score Data Name: PPO28

Report Sample:

This report provides descriptive statistics for the cohort 1 normative sample (original n=387). In addition, this report compares the means and frequencies for two additional samples: the high-risk control sample from cohort 1 (n=155) and the non-high-risk normative sample from cohort 1 (n=308). The non-high-risk normative sample excludes the high-risk normative participants who are also a part of the high-risk control sample (n=79). In year 28, 288 cohort 1 normative participants, 104 high-risk-control cohort 1 participants and 234 non-high-risk normative participants completed at least part of the survey. The Positive Parenting for Offspring measure was only completed by participants who had children. In year 28, 192 normative parents, 71 high-risk control parents and 152 non-high-risk normative parents completed the measure.

Scaling

The Positive Parenting for Offspring measure contains two domains: Positive Parenting and Authoritarian Parenting. For the positive parenting scale, when asked how many days a week parents spent with their children, the parents gave a number. The other items asked parents to give a number between 0 and 4 (0=Never, 4=Always). The latter domain asked about parents' agreement with certain parenting styles. These responses ranged from 0-4 as well (0= Strongly disagree, 4= Strongly agree)

c28fp01	How many days a week do you sit and talk with your son/daughter?
c28fp02	How much time do you spend with your child doing something special that s(he) enjoys?
c28fp03	How often do you notice when your child is doing a good job and let him/her know?
c28fp04	How often do you show your child that you like it when (s)he helps around the house?
c28fp05	Agreement with: Children should do as they are told and should be punished if they don't
c28fp06	Agreement with: Children learn the right way to behave through love and encouragement.
c28fp07	Agreement with: Punishment is more effective than rewards in shaping a child's behavior.

The table below describes the scales created for the Positive Parenting for Offspring measure. The scales are represented as mean scores across the corresponding items listed in the table.

Scales	Items	Description
PPO28pos	C28fp01-04	Positive Parenting Mean
PPO28aut	C28fp (05, 6r, 7)	Authoritarian Parenting Mean

Descriptive Statistics

Full Normative Sample

		Full Normative Sample					
		Cronbach's alpha	N	Mean	SD	Min	Max
PPO28pos	Positive Parenting	0.60	223	0.09	0.65	-2.7	0.72
PPO28aut	Authoritarian Parenting	0.40	223	1.62	0.65	0	3.5

Comparison of Non-High-Risk Normative and High-Risk Control Samples

There is no evidence of statistically significant differences between the high-risk control sample and the non-high-risk normative sample across the Positive Parenting for Offspring scales.

		Non-High Risk Normative			High Risk Control			t-test Results		
		N	Mean	SD	N	Mean	SD	DF	t /chi sq	pval
PPO28pos	Positive Parenting	152	0.11	0.61	71	0.03	0.73	221	0.79	0.43

PPO28aut	Authoritarian Parenting	163	1.61	0.66	73	1.63	0.64	234	-0.21	0.83
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*If the null hypothesis of equal variances is rejected, the t-test estimates shown in the table assume unequal variances, otherwise the t-test results shown assume equal variances.