

**SURVEY TITLE:** The National Longitudinal Study of Adolescent Health

**ACRONYM:** Add Health

**SPONSOR:** National Institute of Child Health and Human Development (NICHD), United States Department of Health and Human Services.

**SURVEY PURPOSE:** Add Health explores the causes of health-related behaviors of adolescents in grades 7 through 12 and their outcomes in young adulthood. The survey seeks to examine how social contexts (families, friends, peers, schools, neighborhoods, and communities) influence adolescents' health and risk behaviors.

**LOCATION SAMPLED:** Sampling frame included all high schools in the United States as well as their largest feeder schools.

**YEARS SEXUAL ORIENTATION DATA COLLECTED:** 1995, 1996, 2001.

**SAMPLE SIZE:** More than 12,000 adolescents were included in the main in-home sample which included the sexual orientation assessment questions.

**METHOD OF SEXUAL ORIENTATION DATA COLLECTION:** In home Audio-CASI.

**SEXUAL ORIENTATION QUESTIONS:**

Section 25 asks for the initials of the first romantic partner and then asks Q. 20. "What is {Initials}'s sex?" This is repeated for the second and third romantic partners.

Section 26 Q1. "Have you ever had a romantic attraction to a female?" Q2. "Have you ever had a romantic attraction to a male?"