



Growing Up in Ireland

-the National Longitudinal Study of Children

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Infant Cohort Presentation 05:

Structure of the Dataset



Structure of the data file

Flat rectangular file in SPSS/Stata/SAS format - based on simple concatenation of all household files. Files appear in the following order (variable prefixes are shown in brackets)

- Primary Caregiver Main (**MM**)
- Primary Caregiver Sensitive (**MS**)
- Secondary Caregiver Main (**F**)
- Secondary Caregiver Sensitive (**FS**)
- Measurements
- Derived variables – scale scores and derived variables such as hhtype



Variable characteristics

- Variable name starts with prefix
- In general, variable name relates to question number on questionnaire (except for derived variables)
- Note – not all questions from questionnaire are on the anonymised datafile
- Variable labels are shortened version of question wording from questionnaire