

**Table A1.** Coding of Educational Attainment in the HRS and Add Health

Label	Code	<i>N</i>	%
<b>HRS</b>			
8 years or fewer, w/o HS diploma, GED, or college experience	8	306	3.7
9+ years, w/o HS diploma, GED, or college experience	10	717	8.8
HS diploma or GED, w/o college experience	12	3,142	38.4
13 years (with a HS diploma/GED and college experience)	13	660	8.1
14 years (with a HS diploma/GED and college experience)	14	886	10.8
15+ years, w/o BA (with a HS diploma/GED and college experience)	15	433	5.3
BA (<=16 years)	16	938	11.5
BA (17+ years)	17	276	3.4
MA/MBA	19	632	7.7
PhD/Law/MD	20	190	2.3
Total		8,180	100
<b>Add Health</b>			
8th grade or less	8	19	.4
Some high school	10	329	6.9
High school graduate	12	747	15.7
Some vocational/technical training (post-HS)	13	168	3.5
Completed vocational/technical school (post-HS)	14	304	6.4
Some college	15	1,627	34.2
BA	16	980	20.6
Some graduate or professional school	17	209	4.4
MA	19	282	5.9
PhD or professional school	20	90	1.9
Total		4,775	100

*Note:* HS = high school; GED = General Education Diploma; BA = bachelor's degree; MA = master's degree; MBA = master of business administration; PhD = doctoral degree; MD = medical degree. HRS = Health and Retirement Study (RAND 2014). Add Health = National Longitudinal Study of Adolescent to Adult Health (Harris 2013).

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