

**TABLE 1. Percentage distribution of a sample of students in grades 9–11 who participated in the Wave 1 and Wave 2 in-home surveys of the National Longitudinal Study of Adolescent Health, by selected characteristics**

Characteristic	% (N=2,436)
<b>Gender</b>	
Female	56.4
Male	43.6
<b>Race/ethnicity</b>	
Non-Hispanic white	70.2
Black	11.5
Hispanic/Latino	11.2
Other	7.0
<b>Family receives public assistance†</b>	
Yes	6.5
No	93.5
<b>Family structure†</b>	
Both biological parents	65.1
Other	34.9
<b>Had romantic relationship in past 18 mos.†</b>	
Yes	45.0
No	55.0
<b>Initiated sexual intercourse between Wave 1 and Wave 2</b>	
Yes	18.1
No	81.9
Total	100.0

†Measured at Wave 1. Notes: Wave 1 was conducted in 1994–1995; Wave 2, in 1996. The sample includes only participants who were sexually inexperienced at Wave 1.