Summary of Findings: NADD Child Welfare Task Force Survey

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Administered by Survey Monkey, Fall 2008-Spring 2009 (N=127; 58% response rate)

Main Areas of Research (reported by 25% or more of respondents):

53%	Program Evaluation	29%	Workforce Development
51%	Foster Care	28%	Physical Abuse
33%	Child Neglect	27%	CW and Mental Health Services
32%	Kinship Care	25%	Racial and Ethnic Disproportionality

Methods:

Survey/Qualitative/Descriptive
Mixed Methods
Quasi-experimental/Longitudinal
Randomized Control Group

Data:

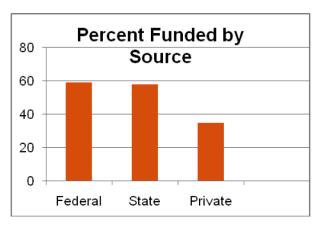
84%	Original data collection
51-57%	Secondary data analysis (case record/administrative)
28%	Archived dataset [NSCAW (10), NCANDS (2), AFGARS (2), US Census (2)]
	[More likely to be longitudinal (.42); higher funding (.42), younger researcher (37), larger sample (.27)]
41%	Problems accessing data [state/federal/county restrictions (22), delays/time (11), linking/incompatability/missing data (7)]
30%	Users of archived data had problems primarily with incomplete data or formatting (6)
Sample size:	

Median: Low: 20 High: 787

[Higher sample size with quasi-experimental method (.27), archival data (.27), and administrative data (.23)]

Funding:

Yearly median (n=42/33%): \$20,000 (minimum) to \$200,000 (maximum)



Funding Sources:

Federal: Children's Bureau (39), NIMH (12), other NIH (19), OJJDP (5)

Private Foundations: Anne E/Casey Family Programs (9), W.T. Grant (4), Stuart (4), Paul

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Allen (3), Robert Wood Johnson (3), American Humane/Community Foundations/Kellogg/

MacArthur/Meyer Memorial Trust/Packard/Russell Sage/Silberman/Skillman/Zellerbach (2)

Dissemination:

- 86% Conference presentations (correlated with publication)
- 78% Journal articles (quantitative: control group-93%, descriptive-83%, survey-83%)
- 57% Monographs (mixed-70% and quantitative: quasi- experimental-76%, descriptive-67%-, survey-68%)
- 36% Book chapters (mixed-45% and quantitative: control group-60%, descriptive-43%, survey-41%)
- 35% Research summaries and training for practitioners (mixed-49%, qualitative-42%, and descriptive-41% methods)

Mentoring:

- 50% Interested in being a mentor
- 38% Interested in being mentored

Demographics:

61%	Female	/	30%	Male
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48 Mean age (27-70)

75% European-American

89% Doctorate