Short Review Paper

A review on socio demographic details of school going adolescents in India

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Abstract

In every study, socio demographic variables are one of the important factors to provide a proper result. Without socio demographic details we cannot do a proper study. Therefore, the study among school going adolescents also need socio-demographic variables. The current review is to understand socio demographic variables of adolescents in India. The reviews were collected from online search engines from the previous 10 years of literature on school going adolescents. The findings of review found that socio demographic variables had a vigorous part in studies allied to school going adolescents. In most of the studies, socio demographic variables are one of the factors in key findings. There were no unique formats for socio demographic variables of school going adolescents because of diverse studies.

Keywords: Socio-demographic details, school going adolescents, review.

Introduction

India is a multi-ethnichomel and also a large number of adolescent's home dwelling. The geographical area and diversity in India states are different from each other. Therefore, the geographical area, culture, population are important in each state. The culture of southern part is different from northern part and north eastern parts of India. In research, socio demographic features are essential for completion of any study. The demographics mean a particular feature of population and derived from Greek words demos (for people) and graphy (picture). The demographic characteristics include age, gender, race, ethnicity, religion, caste, reservation category, education, domicile, marital status, family size, disability status and economic status[1]. In survey research the socio demographic variables are independent variables. The socio demographic details are comes to cross-cultural and cross-national comparison survey research the scandalisation is not possible and only solution is to harmonise the individual variables across cultures and nations partaking in the survey[2].

For the understanding of socio demographic variables of school going adolescents in India, collected articles from online search engines, journals, unpublished thesis. From the last 10 years, around 60 articles were found on the **"**socio demographics details of school going adolescents in India". The current paper is going to discuss about each variable in socio demographic data of school going adolescents (Table-1).

Table-1: Review on socio demographic variables of school going adolescents in India.

Socio demographic variables	Description
Age	The age is common variable in every country and there were lot of arguments in the age of adolescents. The adolescents age from 10 to 19 years need to change in to 10-24 years would help to understand the adolescent growth[3]. Studies among school going adolescents in India was age between 13 to 18 years[4,5].
Gender	The gender needs to understand the identity, behaviour, capacity of an individual. In every country and every study, gender is one of prime factors to understand a particular population. The studies revealed among school going adolescents in India also included the both gender as variable[6,7].
Religion and Caste	India is a multi-religious and caste centre in the world. Religion is a belief system that worships a divine deity through practice, lifestyle and prays. Case is a system of social stratification according to wealth, income, occupation or social status. The religion and caste variables are important in socio demography of school going adolescents because of the understanding of their life styles and social status In India the majority of the population are belonging to Hinduism but some states like Mizoram, Nagaland and Meghalaya belongs to Christianity[8]. The caste in India also connected the economic and social status of an individual in the society.

Reservation category	The reservation category in India is Un Reserved (UR), Other Backward Class (OBC), Schedule Caste (SC) and Schedule tribe (ST). The categories were based on the economic and geographical conditions in the different regions in India. The reservation category variable is one of the important factors to understand the background of population in different area and also includes the studies related to school going adolescents.
Domicile	The geographical location is important to understand the cultural, social status, development of a particular area. The urban, semi urban and rural areas are in India and these domiciles have different features. There were comparative studies on different topics in urban and rural of school going adolescents in India[9-11].
Family type	The three type of family is nuclear family, joint family and extended family. Some of the studies conducted in urban area in India found that majority of participants were from nuclear family[12,13].
Education	Indian studies indicated that education of school going adolescents were in class VIII to XII[14,15].
Disability status	This variable understands the physical disability of an individual.
Socio economic status	Socio economic status is to understand the economic condition of individuals. The modified Kuppuswamy is mostly relevant to evaluate economic state of an individual and their family in Indian settings[16]. The school going adolescents are unemployed but economic status of family members is a factor to understand their background.

Conclusion

India studies clearly indicate that socio demographic variables has a vibrant role to understanding the issues/difficulties of school going adolescents[17,18]. Each socio demographic variables are important in research works and every researcher should have to make a proper sociodemographic variable in their studies.

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