

INDIVIDUAL RISK VARIABLES: KEY PREDICTOR OF DELINQUENT BEHAVIOR AMONG JUVENILES

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Abstract

In the past few years, the number of adolescents who commit serious crimes has grown by leaps and bounds all over the world. This is a big problem for social and criminal justice.

Juvenile delinquent behavior is not the manifestation of just one risk factor and can never be predicted with complete certainty; rather, it is predominantly affected by the presence of more than one risk factor, such as family, individual, environment, etc. The purpose of this article is to illustrate and explain the intersection between the effects of individual factors (Psychological Factors and Personality) and their involvement in juvenile delinquency.

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