| Characteristics | Not included in analyses No surveys | | Included in analyses* | | | | |
|-----------------------------------|--|------|-----------------------|------|----------------|------|---------|
| | | | 1-2 surveys† | | All 3 surveys‡ | | Р |
| | n/N | % | n/N | % | n/N | % | |
| ALSPAC | N=2950 | | N=3641 | | N=7468 | | |
| Sex male | 1506/2938 | 51.3 | 1916/3641 | 52.6 | 3844/7468 | 51.5 | 0.445 |
| Ethnicity white | 1689/1863 | 90.7 | 3174/3329 | 95.3 | 7181/7344 | 97.8 | < 0.001 |
| Maternal smoking during pregnancy | 979/2539 | 38.6 | 1149/3553 | 32.3 | 1542/7445 | 20.7 | < 0.001 |
| Older siblings (≥ 1) | 374/620 | 60.3 | 1805/3062 | 58.9 | 3973/7212 | 55.1 | < 0.001 |
| Crowding, >1 person/room | 177/480 | 36.9 | 822/2619 | 31.4 | 1480/6823 | 21.7 | < 0.001 |
| Pet ownership | 283/495 | 57.2 | 1599/2745 | 58.3 | 3894/7101 | 54.8 | 0.008 |
| LRC | N=1037 | | N=1843 | | N=1420 | | |
| Sex male | 531/1037 | 51.2 | 928/1843 | 50.4 | 764/1420 | 53.8 | 0.138 |
| Ethnicity white | 739/1037 | 71.3 | 1494/1843 | 81.1 | 1267/1420 | 89.2 | < 0.001 |
| Maternal smoking during pregnancy | 138/457 | 30.2 | 300/1474 | 20.4 | 160/1391 | 11.5 | < 0.001 |
| Older siblings (≥ 1) | 315/453 | 69.5 | 968/1437 | 67.4 | 869/1361 | 63.9 | 0.039 |
| Crowding, >1 person/room | 253/464 | 54.5 | 666/1472 | 45.2 | 484/1380 | 35.1 | < 0.001 |
| Pet ownership | 173/466 | 37.1 | 623/1495 | 41.7 | 603/1408 | 42.8 | 0.095 |
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Abbreviations: ALSPAC Avon Longitudinal Study on Parents and Children, LRC Leicestershire Respiratory Cohort 1998-b

* Information on wheeze from at least on survey at age 2, 4, or 6 years

† Number of surveys (age 2, 4, or 6 years) from which information on wheeze was available

 \ddagger P-values from χ^2 -tests