THE CAUSES
OF CORPORAL PUNISHMENT

WHY DO SOME PARENTS USE CP AND OTHERS RARELY OR NEVER?

WHY DO SOME SOCIETIES OR GROUPS IN A SOCIETY USE CP FREQUENTLY AND OTHERS RARELY HIT CHILDREN?
FIVE TYPES OF CAUSES OF CORPORAL PUNISHMENT

1. Misbehavior by the child
2. Cultural norms permitting or requiring corporal punishment
3. Social learning from having experienced it
4. Social Organization
5. Personality and skills of the parent

WILL PUT SOME OF THESE PIECES TOGETHER AT THE END TO EXPLAIN WHY CORPORAL PUNISHMENT IS MORE FREQUENT IN THE SOUTH
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• A CONDITION WHICH INCREASES THE PROBABILITY OF A DISEASE OR PROBLEM

• EXAMPLES:
  – SMOKING AND DEATH FROM SMOKING RELATED DISEASE (33% chance)
  – MALE DOMINANCE AND WIFE BEATING
    – (20% chance - 7 fold increase)
  – SPANKING AND DELINQUENCY
    – (24% chance - 5 fold increase)
  – BINGE DRINKING AND WIFE BEATING
    – (19% chance - 3 fold increase)
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2. CULTURAL NORMS THAT PERMIT OR REQUIRE USE OF CORPORAL PUNISHMENT
CORPORAL PUNISHMENT HAS BEEN THE NORM FOR THOUSANDS OF YEARS, AND STILL IS

**ANCIENT ISRAEL:** "He that spareth his rod hateth his son; but he that loveth him chasteneth him betimes" Proverbs 13:24

"This son of ours is stubborn and rebellious. He will not obey us. He is a glutton and a drunkard. Then all the men of the town shall stone him to death. Deuteronomy 22:12

**18th CENTURY ENGLAND:** "When they turned a year old..., they were taught to fear the rod and to cry softly...." (Susanna Wesley to her son John, the founder of the Methodist Church, cited in Miller and Swanson 1958:10)
when he wills his possessions to his sons, he is not permitted to treat the son of the loved as the first-born in preference to the son of the disliked, who is the firstborn. 17 He must acknowledge as firstborn the son of the one who is disliked, giving him a double portion of all that he has; since he is the first issue of his virility, the right of the firstborn is his.

18 If someone has a stubborn and rebellious son who will not obey his father and mother, who does not heed them when they discipline him, 19 then his father and his mother shall take hold of him and bring him out to the elders of his town at the gate of that place. 20 They shall say to the elders of his town, "This son of ours is stubborn and rebellious. He will not obey us; He is a glutton and a drunkard." 21 Then all the men of the town shall stone him to death. So you shall purge the evil from your midst; and all Israel will hear, and be afraid.

LEVITICUS 20.19

6 If any turn to mediums and wizards, prostituting themselves to them, I will set my face against them, and will cut them off from the people. 7 Consecrate yourselves therefore, and be holy; for I am the LORD your God. 8 Keep my statutes, and observe them; I am the LORD; I sanctify you. 9 All who curse father or mother shall be put to death; having cursed father or mother, their blood is upon them.
A mother demonstrates “spanking,” c. 1897.
(Courtesy of the American Antiquarian Society)
BAD OLD DAYS? Not necessarily. In certain situations, say many pediatricians, a whack on the bottom may be good parenting.
1945 - BORDEN CHOCOLAT MILK ADVERTISEMENT

Say, now! Are you being fair to the little fellow?

When a child acts “ornery” he isn’t necessarily “bad.” Lack of essential food elements—vitamins and minerals, for instance—can affect dispositions as well as health, you know! So why not “play safe” on vitamins and minerals? Why not serve your child delicious “milk-chocolaty” HEMO every day?

Vitamins in a drink
Almost all American parents accept physical punishment (National Family Violence Survey, 1975. N = 1,146)

Necessary: 70%
Good: 71%
Normal: 77%
Any of these: 90%

"Slapping a child is...."
Disciplining children
What do American parents think?

A 1986 survey asked 1,470 adults nationwide whether they would agree that "it is sometimes necessary to discipline a child with a good, hard spanking."

- 50% Agree
- 28% Strongly agree
- 1% Don't know
- 3% Strongly disagree
- 13% Disagree

Survey by the National Opinion Research Center

A 1987 poll commissioned by Parents Magazine asked 1,012 parents nationwide what discipline they would consider appropriate for each of these situations:

**LEGEND**
- Not sure
- No allowance
- Verbal reprimand
- Stay in room
- Physical punishment

**Ignores a request to clean room**
- 8%
- 17%
- 34%
- 33%
- 9%

**Deliberately hurts another child**
- 12%
- 4%
- 30%
- 13%
- 41%

May not add to 100% because of rounding.

Survey conducted by Mason, Parsons and Associates, Inc. Globe staff chart by C. Selzle

Source: The Roper Center for Public Opinion Research, Storrs, Conn.
Directions for Using the Rod

- Try the rod out on yourself ahead of time to determine how much force you should use to get the result you desire.
- Chasten for the child's benefit; not for your convenience.
- View the use of the rod as chastening to promote godliness rather than punishment for failure.
- Examine your heart:
  - Are you disciplining in love?
  - Always avoid using the rod while angry.
  - Are you demonstrating the qualities in your life that you are trying to instill in your child?
- Explain to the child what is expected of him in advance.
- Encourage him to obedience by praising him frequently when he behaves properly.
- When his behavior violates those standards, take action:
  - Be consistent,
  - Don't give repeated warnings,
  - Chasten at the first offense,
  - Quietly take the child to a private place,
  - Ask the child what he has done:
    - This gives the child an opportunity to confess his sin.
    - This makes sure the child understands what behavior was expected of him.
    - Do not allow him to justify his behavior—he needs to confess, not excuse his behavior.
- Chasten on a clothed buttock with the appropriate number of swats as you determine—three to four slow swats is suggested.
- Console the child afterwards and affirm your love for him.
  - This will give you an opportunity to check his heart.
  - This shows the child that chastening is a form of love.
- Let the child know that you forgive him and love him at all times—even when he fails.
- Again, encourage the child's obedience by letting him know that his future good behavior will delight your heart.
Susan Lawrence is pressing US authorities to ban sales of The Rod, a $5 whipping tool.
BOOKS RECOMMENDING HITTING INFANTS
(Sold by Amazon Books, 2005)

What the Bible Says about Child Training
by Richard Fugate
Shepherding a Child's Heart
by Ted Tripp
To Train Up a Child
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by Reb Bradley
CURRENT
AMERICAN ATTITUDES TOWARD CP
(Norms = Typical Attitudes Of A Group)

➢ Well summarized by national survey in August 2005
  72% of Americans agreed that it is “ok to spank a child”
  31% “ok to wash a child’s mouth out with soap”
  23% “ok for a teacher to spank” (Survey USA)

➢ President of the Sioux Falls Parent-Teacher Association
  “I would agree that it is not OK for a teacher to spank a child because
  of a concern for the child’s safety. Some may say it is a spank, but it
  may be a hard hit.” She also said she supports a parent’s right to
  discipline his or her child. (David Kranz, Argus Leader, 09/4/05).

  Note: she said nothing about child safety when parents hit children.
HOW SOCIAL NORMS ARE TRANSMITTED AND ENFORCED
ALMOST TWO THIRDS OF MOTHERS OF TODDLERS HAD BEEN ADVISED TO SPANK IN THE PREVIOUS SIX MONTHS

LESS -- BUT STILL A MAJORITY – OF MOTHERS OF EARLY TEEN-AGERS GOT THE SAME ADVICE

1003 Mothers of children age 2-14 in two Minnesota counties

CP Cause
FAMILY PRESSURE

"My mom and dad are furious with me for refusing to spank my daughter. I tried to explain to them that I don’t believe in it and manage very well without it. They tell me the way I am raising her goes against the will of God. My daughter sees very little of her grandparents now. I can't let them baby sit. In fact I am afraid to leave them alone with her for a minute. It’s sad, but what else can I do?"
CHART 4-1. FOR TEENAGERS, THE MORE A PARENT APPROVES OF CORPORAL PUNISHMENT, THE MORE LIKELY THE PARENT IS TO ACTUALLY DO IT. HOWEVER, FOR TODDLERS, ATTITUDES MAKE LITTLE DIFFERENCE BECAUSE ALMOST EVERYONE HITS TODDLERS WHETHER THEY BELIEVE IN IT OR NOT.
3. LEARNING FROM HAVING EXPERIENCED CORPORAL PUNISHMENT (MODELING, SOCIAL LEARNING)
RETURNING THE FAVOR — In Houghton, Mich., one good kick deserves another. (AP photo)
CHART 4-4. PARENTS WHO WERE HIT WHEN THEY WERE ADOLESCENTS ARE MORE LIKELY TO DO THE SAME THING TO THEIR OWN CHILDREN
4. SOCIAL ORGANIZATION
THE MORE CHILDREN, THE MORE LIKELY THEY ARE TO BE SPANKED FREQUENTLY

Number of Children

Percent Spanked Three or More Times In Past Week

415 Children age 8-13, National Longitudinal Study Of Youth
MOTHERS ARE MORE VIOLENT TO CHILDREN THAN FATHERS
( representative sample of 4,252 children in Chicago

SOCIAL CLASS / SOCIOECONOMIC STATS
Chart 1-1.3 The Higher The Socioeconomic Status, The Lower The Percent Who Used Corporal Punishment

* Adjusted for age and sex of parent and child, race of the child, single parent, and region.
CHART 3-5. AMONG PARENTS WHO USE CORPORAL PUNISHMENT, THE HIGHER THE SOCIOECONOMIC STATUS OF THE PARENT, THE LESS OFTEN THEY DO IT.
RACE/ETHNIC GROUP

Mean Corporal Punishment Score
– African American parents  11.4
– Caucasian parents        8.2

WHY? Because of low SES and living in violent neighborhoods

“Attachment among African American and Caucasian Preschoolers from Low-Income Urban Families” Douglas Barnett, Jeffrey Wendt, Wilbert Morris, Kristin Kaylor Richardson, and Daren Jones Department of Psychology Wayne State University, Presented at the biennial meeting of the Society for Research in Child Development, Albuquerque, NM, April, 1999
PERSONALITY AND SKILLS OF THE PARENTS

AGGRESSIVE, ANGRY PERSONALITY
ATTITUDES FAVORABLE TO VIOLENCE

COGNITIVE SKILLS
Chart 1-4.5  Americans Who Believe That Torture Is Sometimes Necessary Are More Likely to Believe Spanking Is Necessary

% Believe Spanking Necessary

Torture Is Sometimes Justified*

* p < .001 for all differences between Yes & No groups

CP Cause 36
The More Violence Between Parents
The Larger The Percent Who Use
Corporal Punishment

Fergusson and Horwood 1998, Table 4

CP Cause
WHAT DO THESE RESULTS SHOW

1. State the main thing the chart shows without using any numbers

   CLUE: Follow the format of the “the more X, the more Y

1. HOW DO THESE RESULTS ILLUSTRATE THE CONCEPT OF A RISK FACTOR?

   CLUE: Look at the couples with the most violence between parents. What does that percent tell you about the relation between X and Y?
THE MORE CORPORAL PUNISHMENT, THE
THE GREATER THE PERCENT WHO
DID IT BECAUSE THEY "LOST IT"

NUMBER OF TIMES HIT IN LAST YEAR

25%  30%  35%  40%  45%  50%  55%  60%  65%  70%  75%

MOTHERS OF BOYS
MOTHERS OF GIRLS

ONCE  TWICE  3-5  6+
PSYCHOLOGICAL AGGRESSION

VERBAL ABUSE OF CHILD BY AMOUNT OF CORPORAL PUNISHMENT

- OBSERVED
- EXPONENTIAL

ANCOVA: F = 61.6
DF = 11, 1213, p < .001
CONTROLLING FOR:
- Gender of child
- Age of Child
- Numb. of Children
- SES

N = 1097 192 219 32 331 32 64 207 58 112 158 38
CHART 1-5.4 PARENTS WHO BELIEVE BOYS FISTFIGHTING IS OKAY ARE MORE LIKELY TO USE CORPORAL PUNISHMENT.

PERCENT OF PARENTS WHO USED CORPORAL PUNISHMENT

PERCENTAGE OF PARENTS WHO USED CORPORAL PUNISHMENT
Chart 1-4.2 Parents who Believe Boys Fistfighting is Okay are More Likely to Believe it’s Okay for Parents to Slap Teens.
MANY OTHER FACTORS
EXAMPLE STRESS

PARENT UNEMPLOYED IN PAST 5 YEARS

 Corporal Punishment

 Physical Abuse

 Physical Abuse omitting "hit with object"

LETS DRAW ON THESE CAUSAL FACTORS TO EXPLAIN WHY CORPORAL PUNISHMENT IS MORE FREQUENT IN THE SOUTH

Southern “Culture of honor” *

Larger % of fundamentalist protestants

Larger percent of Black population – the ethnic group that is most in favor corporal punishment

Larger low education population

More children per couple

* Willingness to use violence to correct insults and other misbehavior. It spills over to legitimizes violence for other purposes
END FOR SOC 695
SOME OTHER THINGS THAT INFLUENCE USE OF CORPORAL PUNISHMENT

Stress
THEORETICAL MODELS & MISC
WHAT CAUSES A
HIGH RATE OF CORPORAL PUNISHMENT?

SOCIETAL LEVEL

A. CULTURAL NORMS
LAWS PERMITTING CP
NORMS EXPECTING CP

FAMILY LEVEL
ATTITUDES FAVORING CP
BELIEF IT IS "SOMETIMES NECESSARY"

B. VIOLENT SOCIAL CONTEXT
VIOLENT CRIME
VIOLENT TV PROGRAMMING
NORMS TOLERATE MARITAL VIOLENCE

LIVE IN A VIOLENT COMMUNITY
HEAVY TV WATCHING
MARITAL VIOLENCE

C. CHILD REARING
AUTHORITARIAN PARENTING

D. OTHER SOCIAL CONTEXT DIFFERENCES
STRESSFUL CONDITIONS
DICTATORSHIP
MILITARISM

FAMILY STRESS
WHY DO SOME PARENTS USE CP AND OTHERS DO NOT OR RARELY?

* RESPONSE TO MISBEHAVIOR OF THE CHILD

* A TRAINING METHOD
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* PERSONALITY AND SKILLS OF PARENT AND CHILD

* STRESSFUL CONDITIONS AND EVENTS
  LEARNED RESPONSE TO STRESS
  ALTERNATIVES FOR DEALING WITH STRESS

COERCIVE CYCLE OF INTERACTION
WHY DO SO MANY PARENTS HIT THEIR CHILDREN?

CULTURAL NORMS
* BELIEF THAT SPANKING IN MODERATION IS NECESSARY AND HARMLESS
* BELIEF THAT SPANKING WORKS WHEN OTHER FORMS OF DISCIPLINE DO NOT ("LOGIC AND TIME-OUT DOESN'T ALWAYS WORK")
* EXPERTS DO NOT SAY "NEVER SPANK A CHILD"

SOCIAL PRESSURE
ADVICE
EXPECTED
ENFORCED

LEARNED FROM OWN PARENTS

INEXPERIENCE - YOUNG PARENTS HIT MORE

STRESS & FRUSTRATION
NUMBER OF CHILDREN
MOTHERS HIT BY HUSBANDS

AGGRESSIVENESS, IMPULSIVITY
SOME CAUSES OF CP

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COERCIVE CYCLE OF INTERACTION
WHY DOES EVERYONE SPANK TODDLERS?

* TODDLERS WEAR YOU OUT
  2 YEAR-OLDS NEED AN INTERVENTION EVERY 8 MINUTES
  WHEN CORRECTED FOR A MISBEHAVIOR
  ▪ 80% DO IT AGAIN WITHIN THE SAME DAY
  ▪ HALF DO IT AGAIN WITH 2 HOURS
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* THEREFORE:

  • WHEN PARENTS EXPLAIN OR USE TIME OUT, OR TAKE AWAY A PRIVILEGE, ETC “FAILURE” IS ALMOST CERTAIN
  • WHEN THAT HAPPENS, THEY TURN TO SPANKING

* THE RESEARCH EVIDENCE:
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WHY DO
OVER 90% OF PARENTS OF TODDLERS HIT THEM?

BELIEF THAT SPANKING WILL WORK BETTER

FRUSTRATION AND ANGER
IMPLICATIONS OF WHY EVERYONE SPANKS TODDLERS

* WHEN PARENTS SPANK AND THE CHILD MISBEHAVES AGAIN

- DO THEY CONCLUDE THAT SPANKING DOESN’T WORK?
- NO. THEY SPANK AGAIN!

* IF YOU SPANK, SPANKING AGAIN IS THE RIGHT STRATEGY

PERSISTENCE AND CONSISTENCY NEEDED FOR A TODDLER TO LEARN

EXAMPLE:
- AN AVERAGE OF 8 SPANKINGS NEEDED TO TEACH TIME-OUT
- SAME JUST PUTTING THE CHILD BACK IN TIME-PLACE

* PERSISTENCE AND CONSISTENCY WORK EVEN BETTER FOR NON-SPANKING METHODS OF DISCIPLINE

* IF PARENTS KNEW THAT:

- SPANKING DOES NOT WORK ANY BETTER
- SPANKING HAS HARMFUL SIDE EFFECTS
- MANY, PERHAPS MOST, WOULD STOP SPANKING
THE SOCIAL CAUSES OF CP
CULTURAL BELIEFS AND NORMS
SOCIAL ORGANIZATION & CULTURAL SUPPORT FOR CP
SOCIAL TRANSMISSION AND SOCIAL CONTROL
SOCIAL STRESS
COMMUNITY VIOLENCE
SOMETIMES SPANKED/HIT WITHOUT EXPLAINING WHY 20%

THOUGHT SPANKING WAS RIGHT THING TO DO ONLY HALF OR LESS OF THE TIMES 22%

SPANKED WHEN SO ANGRY SHE "LOST IT" 44%
Figure 1. Incidence Rate of Child Abuse by Checklist Score of Father and Mother

* Per 100 Children
RISK FACTORS FOR CORPORAL PUNISHMENT

- Anger – Tang study. Create graph from CPM file
- Experienced CP as a child
- Approval of CP as an appropriate method of discipline, i.e. norms
  More important than mood, anger, experience of CP

WHY DO PARENTS SPANK?

OBJECTIVES

• LEARN ABOUT THE SOCIAL CAUSES OF CP
• HAVE A BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF TWO KEY CONCEPTS
  ✓ A SOCIAL CAUSE
  ✓ STATISTICAL SIGNIFICANCE
• GET EXPERIENCE IN READING AND INTERPRETING GRAPHS
WHAT DO THESE CHARTS OR TABLES SHOW?

• Write your name and the date on a sheet of paper

For each slide: Focus on just the corporal punishment data

1. Suggest what could cause this
2. Write the slide number and then identify one or more of the things it shows
3. Identify the cause as psychological, cultural, or social organizational, or none of these, or some combination

• If I cannot read your writing you cannot get credit for your work
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MAX ERNST
Die Jungfrau züchtigt das Jesuskind vor drei Zeugen:
André Breton, Paul Éluard und dem Maler, 1926
Family Life

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FOUR BOOKS THAT RECOMMEND HITTING INFANTS UNDER ONE WITH STICKS AND WHIPS SOLD BY AMAZON BOOKS

To Train Up a Child by Michael & Debi Pearl
Recommends whipping infants only a few months old on their bare skin. They describe whipping their own 4 month old daughter (p.9). They recommend whipping the bare skin of "every child" (p.2) for "Christians and non-Christians" (p.5) and for "every transgression" (p.1). They never mention Jesus’ injunctions to forgive, show mercy, and follow the Golden

Child Training Tips by Reb Bradley
p.105 “The child is a sinner. There are things within the heart of the sweetest little baby that, allowed to blossom and grow to fruition, will bring about eventual destruction. The rod functions in this context. It is addressed to needs within the child. These needs cannot be met by mere talk
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The total number of states included in the analysis is 196, comprising all those that have ratified the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child except for Vatican City (which has no child population), plus Palestine, Somalia, Taiwan, USA and Western Sahara. Information as at June 2006.

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Church pastor, members charged with physical, other abuses

Associated Press

ATLANTA - Gov. Roy Barnes said Friday he is satisfied with the way state child welfare officials have handled the case of an Atlanta church accused of conducting child beatings and promoting the marriage of girls as young as 14. Barnes said he is content to let the Department of Family and Children Services and the courts decide what will happen to the 41 children seized from members of the House of Prayer. "This is not about corporal punishment," he said when asked about the case during a news conference. "I believe in corporal punishment; you can ask any of our children...." But there is a line when corporal punishment turns into beatings and to child abuse, and particularly when it is inflicted by someone who is not a parent. ... It's a matter of serious enough concern that the state has a responsibility to protect children." The parents rejected a Juvenile Court judge's offer Wednesday to return the children to their families in exchange for promises to tone down physical discipline and stop arranging marriages for girls younger than 16. Because the parents refused to make such promises, Judge Sanford Jones ordered the children retained in state custody for as long as a year. Police have charged the Rev. Arthur Allen Jr. and six members of his church with inflicting or allowing excessive beatings of two boys ages 7 and 10 at the church. Testimony at Wednesday's hearing indicated girls at the House of Prayer are encouraged to marry by age 15 and are taken to Alabama they can be wed that young. Georgia law prohibits marriage before age 16. Two of the children in state custody are teen sisters who Allen says are married, and Jones has scheduled a hearing next week to consider releasing them. Tom Hall, an attorney for DFCS, said the marriages may be invalid because Georg
TWO OTHER BOOKS RECOMMENDING HITTING INFANTS

What the Bible Says about Child Training
by Richard Fugate

Shepherding a Child's Heart
by Ted Tripp
BOYS ARE HIT MORE THAN GIRLS
(representative sample of 4,252 children in Chicago)

OLDER CHILDREN GET LESS CORPORAL PUNISHMENT
BUT MORE PHYSICAL ABUSE

NO CLEAR DIFFERENCE BETWEEN SOCIOECONOMIC STATUS GROUPS (Low and High Quartiles)

OLDER PARENTS USE LESS CORPORAL PUNISHMENT BUT THERE IS NO DIFFERENCE IN PHYSICAL ABUSE

LONGITUDINAL STUDY OF CHILDREN BORN IN SOLNA, SWEDEN (A STOCKHOLM AREA COMMUNITY), 1955-58. N = 212 (112 BOYS, 90 GIRLS). THE FAMILY AND CHILD CHARACTERISTICS ARE "REPRESENTATIVE OF SWEDISH URBAN COMMUNITIES."

ALTHOUGH FIGURE 19.1 SHOWS THAT AT EACH AGE, SOME CHILDREN WERE NOT HIT, "THERE WAS NOT A SINGLE SUBJECT IN THE COHORT WHO [WAS NOT HIT] ON AT LEAST ONE OCCASION] BY HIS OR HER MOTHER OR FATHER."

FIGURE 19.5 IN STATIN, JANSON, KLACKENBERG-LARSON, AND MAGNUSSON, IN MCCORD, 1995.
PERCENT USING CORPORAL PUNISHMENT WITH ONE YEAR OLD CHILD BY SOCIAL CLASS

Newson & Newson 1963, page 205
PERCENT OF AMERICAN PARENTS STRONGLY AGREEING THAT "IT IS SOMETIMES NECESSARY TO DISCIPLINE A CHILD WITH A GOOD, HARD SPANKING" BY RACE AND EDUCATION

Source: 1985-94 NORC General Social Surveys
CORPORAL PUNISHMENT BY SES AND AGE OF CHILD

SES
- LOW QUARTER
+ HIGH QUARTER

PERCENT

0.1 2.3 4.5 6.7 8.9 10-11 12-13 14-15 16-17

Age Of Child
RESULTS FOR TWO GENERATIONS: USING TWO DIFFERENT MEASURES (Recall Parent data)

No clear difference between SES group
CHART 4-3. WHITE PARENTS USE [REDACTED] CORPORAL PUNISHMENT THAN MINORITY GROUP PARENTS
CHART 4-5. MOTHERS WHO HAVE BEEN HIT BY THEIR HUSBAND ARE MORE LIKELY TO HIT THEIR CHILDREN.
BETTER EDUCATED PARENTS ARE LESS LIKELY TO BELIEVE THAT "WHEN A BOY IS GROWING UP, IT IS IMPORTANT FOR HIM TO HAVE A FEW FISTFIGHTS"

IN 1968, 75% OF THE ADULT POPULATION AGREED
1995 GALLUP DISCIPLINE SURVEY (N=1000)
CP:CHARTS:RATES:AGE95G2
CP Cause

APPROVAL OF VIOLENCE

"OK PARENTS SLAP TEENS WHEN TALK BACK" BY APPROVE BOYS FISTFIGHTING

OK PARENTS SLAP TEENS

APPROVE BOYS FISTFIGHTING

STRONGLY DISAGREE

DISAGREE

AGREE
CHART 1-5.1 PARENTS WHO BELIEVE BOYS FISTFIGHTING IS OKAY ARE MORE LIKELY TO BELIEVE SPANKING IS SOMETIMES NECESSARY.

% WHO BELIEVE SPANKING IS SOMETIMES NECESSARY

STRONGLY DISAGREE  DISAGREEE  AGREE
APPROVE BOYS FISTFIGHTING
CHART 1-5.3 PARENTS WHO BELIEVE BOYS FISTFIGHTING IS OKAY ARE MORE LIKELY TO AGREE “SPARE THE ROD, SPOIL THE CHILD.”

Percent Who Agree “Spare the rod and spoil the child”
CHART 1-5.5 THE MOVE VIOLENCE BETWEEN PARENTS, THE LARGER THE PERCENT WHO USED CORPORAL PUNISHMENT

Fergusson and Horwood 1998, Table 4
CORPORAL PUNISHMENT BY SES AND AGE OF CHILD

Age Of Child

PERCENT

SES

LOW QUARTER
HIGH QUARTER
AFRICAN AMERICAN PARENTS HAVE ABOUT THE SAME RATE OF CORPORAL PUNISHMENT, BUT MUCH HIGHER RATES OF PHYSICAL ABUSE

SIX TYPES OF CAUSES OF CORPORAL PUNISHMENT

1. Misbehavior by the child
2. Cultural norms permitting or requiring corporal punishment
3. Social learning from having experienced it
4. Social Organization
5. Personality and skills of the parent
6. Other

THEORETICAL MODELS & MISC
RECIPÉ FOR A HAPPY HOME

1 Husband
1 Wife
Children and 1 Bible for each
1 Home
Generous portions of prayer
3 c. love, firmly packed
1 package work
1 package playing together
1 portion patience
1 portion understanding
1 portion forgiveness
1 small paddle
1 c. kisses

Mix thoroughly and sprinkle with awareness. Bake in a moderate oven of everyday life, using as fuel all the grudges and past unpleasantness. Cool, turn out onto a platter of cheerfulness. Garnish with tears and laughter in large helpings. Serve God and country and community.

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