

ADOLESCENT IDENTITY ISSUES

Operational Definitions and Global Statements

SELF-CONCEPTIONS

Independent or Individualistic.

Collectivist or Interdependent cultures

Gould and Kolb (1964) defined individualism (attitude of the independent culture as the “belief that the individual is an end in himself, and as such ought to realize the ‘self’ and cultivate his own judgment, notwithstanding the weight of pervasive social pressures in the direction of conformity.”

Tightness Complexity

Typically, collectivists use more self-definitions that reflect that incorporation of collectives in their thinking about themselves than do individualists.

SELF ESTEEM

Defensive High Self Esteem
Genuine High Self esteem
Contingent High Self-Esteem

**Self-Effacement
Self-Enhancement**

**Central Tendency
Standard Deviation.**

Johnson's model of personality

$$P = (V_g G) \cdot (V_e E) \cdot (V_b B) \cdot (V_c C) \cdot (V_f F) \cdot (V_h H) \cdot (V_r R)$$

P = Personality

V_g = Variance in DNA

V_e = Variance in Physical Environment

V_b = Variance in Physiology

V_c = Variance in Culture

V_f = Variance in Family of Origin

V_h = Variance in History

V_r = Variance in Reflective Processing

Ethnic Identity

The percentage of children in our country who are biracial is:

Nation: 2.4% (4% for those under 18 years of age)

California 4.7% but there are a number of areas over 8%

Hawaii: 21.4%

Alabama: 1.0%

Self Esteem Mean Scores and Standard Deviation

Biracial	31.68	4.99
Black	34.00	4.63
Asian Am	30.65	5.13

Ethnic Identity	Mean Scores	Standard Deviation
Biracial	37.12	7.49
White	35.13	7.58
Latino	39.98	6.66
Black	42.09	7.20
Asian Am	42.99	6.97

Partial correlations Between Ethnic Identity and Self-Esteem

Ethnicity	n	r
Biracial	133	0.19*
Black, not Hispanic	238	0.29**
White, Not Hispanic	772	0.14**
Asian, not Hispanic	491	0.20**
Latino	802	0.19**

* $p < 0.05$ ** $p < 0.001$

Bracey, Bamaca and Umana-Taylor (2004)