

A study where the researcher surveys 500 people and reports what percentage of men and women answered each question a particular way.

Quantitative, descriptive,

variable

sex

the questions the researcher asks

attributes

male or female

all the choices for answers, agreement/disagreement, etc.

A study where the researcher interviews 5 people and reports how each experienced a layoff at work.

Qualitative, descriptive

A study where researchers ask parents and students to state their attitudes about sex education in high schools and reports how many were in favor of these programs and how many are not in favor.

Quantitative, descriptive

variable

generation

attitude question about sex ed

school child attends

sex of parent

sex of child

type of sex ed program

marital status of parent

attributes

parent or child

strongly agree, agree, disagree, strongly disagree

Chatsworth High, Canoga Park High, Van Nuys High

Male/female

Male/female

comprehensive, abstinence only, etc.

married, divorced, single, widowed, living with partner

A study where subjects are asked to describe their beliefs about sex education in high schools.

Qualitative, descriptive

A study investigating the types of religious beliefs and rituals in fundamentalist offshoots.

Qualitative, descriptive

A study asking people their weight and eating habits to determine if poor eating habits cause weight gain.

Quantitative, predictive

<u>variable</u>	<u>type</u>	<u>attributes</u>
sex	independent	male/female
age	independent	each person's exact age in years
weight	independent	exact weight in pounds
height	independent	exact height in feet and inches
eating habits	independent	good eating habits (however that is defined), poor eating habits (however that is defined) how much they ate number of calories consumed
weight gain	dependent	exact pounds lost for each person or percent of total body weight lost

A study of registered voters who are asked for whom they plan to vote and which issues most affect their voting.

Quantitative, descriptive

<u>variable</u>	<u>attributes</u>
political party	republican, democrat, etc.
sex	male/female
age	person's exact age in years
who they plan to vote for	Bush, Kerry, Nader
questions about issues	agreement/disagreement with issue

A study that compares the natural child-birthing experience of a group of mothers with that of another group of mothers who used anesthetics during delivery.

Qualitative, descriptive

A study that asks young gays ages 15-18 to describe their "coming out" experience in detail.

Qualitative, descriptive