

Appendix 1 Search Terms

This is the search syntax we have used for each outcome in all databases (EconLit, IBSS, Medline, PsychInfo, SocIndex, British Education Index). Below is a breakdown of the search templates as outlined in Box 1 in the report, followed by a list of the search terms used for each outcome.

Financial resources:

AB(wealth* OR assets OR salary OR salaries OR earning* OR wage* OR pension* OR income* OR "socio-economic status" OR "socioeconomic status" OR SES OR poverty OR poor OR depriv* OR disadvantag* OR hardship OR money OR cash* OR expenditure OR spending OR "standard* of living" OR "living standard*" OR "cost of living")

+ Causal relationship/method:

AND AB(caus* OR effect* OR determin* OR impact* OR influenc* OR associat* OR correlat*)

+ Age:

AND AB(child* OR teenage* OR adolescen* OR infan*)

+ Outcome:

*see below for search terms used for each outcome

Children's Cognitive and Educational Outcomes

AB(Cognitive OR Development* OR "school readiness" OR Reading OR Math* OR Writing OR vocabulary OR Test score* OR IQ OR Attainment OR Performance OR "School outcome" OR Qualification* OR "Exam* result*" OR "Exam* score*" OR Proficiency OR Achiev* OR Abilit* OR "Key stage" OR college OR "sixth form" OR NEET OR post-compulsory OR postcompulsory OR post-16)

Children's Social-Behavioural and Emotional Outcomes

AB(behav* OR "social outcome*" OR "social assessment*" OR "social skills" OR "social withdrawal" OR "social development" OR "social* competen*" OR socioemotional OR socio-emotional OR emotional OR social-emotional OR "positive social behav*" OR "negative social behav*" OR "self-regulation" OR "self regulation" OR "executive function" OR attention OR aggress* OR destructive OR "mental health" OR depression OR anxi* OR stress OR "sleep* problems" OR externali* OR internali* OR "behavioral problem index" OR "adaptive social behaviour inventory" OR "child behavior checklist" OR "motor AND social development scale" OR "social rating scale" OR "social skills rating scale" OR fight* OR violen* OR crim* OR delinqu* OR offending OR arrest* OR convict* OR "substance use" OR "substance dependence" OR drug* OR alcohol OR drinking OR smoking OR "under-age sex*" OR "underage sex*" OR "early sex* activ*" OR "early sex* behav*" OR "risk-taking" OR "risky behav*" OR "self harm*" OR "self-harm*" OR "teen* pregnan*" OR "teen* sex*")

Children's Health Outcomes

AB(health* OR morbidity OR mortality OR death OR ill* OR sick* OR obes* OR overweight OR underweight OR accident* OR diabet* OR asthma OR anaemia OR cancer OR disease* OR lead-poisoning OR "birth weight" OR "birth-weight" OR "birthweight" OR "born premature*" OR "premature birth" OR "preterm birth" OR nutrition* OR malnutrition OR nutrients OR "tooth decay" OR "hospital admission*" OR exercise OR "physical activit*" OR inactiv* OR injur* OR cortisol)

Children's Subjective Wellbeing

AB(wellbeing OR "well-being" OR happiness OR happy OR happier OR unhappiness OR unhappy OR unhappier OR fulfil* OR unfulfil* OR satisf* OR dissatisf* OR "Cantril ladder-of-life scale" OR content* OR "subjective welfare" OR "positive feelings")

Children's Social Inclusion

AB(alienat* OR marginali* OR "social inclusion" OR "socially included" OR "social exclusion" OR "socially excluded" OR "social opportunity" OR "social opportunities" OR "social occasion" OR "social occasions" OR "school trip" OR "school trips" OR "leisure activity" OR "leisure activities")

Intermediary Outcomes (Parental Behaviour and Home Environment)

AB(abuse OR neglect OR maltreatment OR "physical punishment" OR "harsh parenting" OR "positive parenting" OR "parental responsiveness" OR "parental sensitivity" OR "investment theory" OR "parent* stress" OR breastfeeding OR "parent* smok*" OR "smoking N/3 pregnan*" OR "stress N/3 pregnan*" OR "prenatal smoking" OR "cortisol N/3 pregnan*" OR "maternal cortisol" OR "maternal depression" OR "mother* N/3 depress*" OR "postnatal depression" OR "post-natal depression" OR "books N/3 home" OR "bedtime story" OR "bedtime reading" OR "reading N/2 home" OR toys OR games OR "educational resources N/2 home" OR "internet N/2 access" OR "internet N/2 home" OR "computer N/2 home" OR "computer N/2 access" OR "leisure activit*" OR "after-school activit*" OR "out-of-school activit*" OR TV OR television OR "food N/3 expenditure" OR "food N/3 spen*" OR "alcohol N/3 expenditure" OR "alcohol N/3 spen*" OR "five a day" OR "fruit and veg*" OR "food security" OR "food insecurity" OR "home environment" OR "sub-standard housing" OR "poor housing" OR "inadequate housing" OR "living conditions" OR "environment* N/2 hazard*" OR overcrowd* OR "safe play area" OR "unsafe housing" OR "chaotic lifestyle*" OR chaos OR "study area" OR "place to study" OR "nois* N/2 home")

Key

AB= in abstract

*=truncated endings - includes alternative endings

?= includes alternative letter e.g. to include American spellings of some words with 'Z' instead of 'S'

“ “ = to search for an exact phrase

() = nesting of search terms

N/3 = each of the terms specified have to appear within 3 words of one another

AND = to only retrieve if both words/ sets of search terms included

OR = to retrieve if contains any of the search terms included