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International comparative research on education and migration: New data package CILS4NEPS now available

CILS4NEPS is the first Scientific Use File available for research purposes that combines and harmonizes data from the "Children of Immigrants Longitudinal Survey in Four European Countries" project with data from the "NEPS Starting Cohort 4 – Grade 9". The combination of the two data sources opens up completely new research potential in the field of educational and migration research. Among other things, CILS4NEPS makes it possible to use information from the NEPS Starting Cohort 4 for international comparisons with England, the Netherlands and Sweden.

Prepared as part of a project funded by KonsortSWD, the CILS4NEPS Scientific Use File is a joint product of the Mannheim Centre for European Social Research (MZES, University of Mannheim) and the Leibniz Institute for Educational Trajectories (LIfBi, Bamberg). It offers researchers a harmonized data set with more than 34,000 respondents that pools information from the CILS4EU study (waves 1-3) and the NEPS Starting Cohort 4 (waves 1-6). CILS4NEPS thus represents a valuable enrichment for national and international analyses, as it provides a significantly larger sample size for certain (e.g. ethnic or social) groups and for certain events (e.g. transitions to certain types of school or training) and guarantees comparability with respective data from England, the Netherlands and Sweden.

CILS4EU is an international longitudinal study in Germany, England, the Netherlands and Sweden that examines the structural, cultural, social and emotional integration of young people with and without a migration background.

Within the framework of NEPS Starting Cohort 4, young people in Germany are being followed since 2010 from the 9th grade onwards to collect comprehensive longitudinal data on their competence development and their educational processes in formal, non-formal and informal contexts.

Access to the CILS4NEPS data is possible free of charge via remote data processing through the Research Data Center at LIfBi. The use of the data requires the conclusion of a CILS4EU data use agreement with GESIS and a NEPS data use agreement with LIfBi. For more information, please visit the website

<https://www.neps-data.de/Data-Center/Data-and-Documentation/Start-Cohort-Grade-9/CILS4NEPS>

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