

## EARLY RISK FACTORS

(ages 6-11)

### Strong Effect

General delinquency

Substance use

### Moderate Effect

Being male

Low family socioeconomic status/poverty

Antisocial parents

Aggression

### Weaker Effect

Psychological condition (eg. hyperactivity)

[Poor parent-child relations](#) (eg. harsh, lax or inconsistent discipline)

Weak social ties

Antisocial behavior

[Exposure to TV violence](#)

Poor attitude toward, performance in school

Medical and physical problems

Low IQ

Broken home (eg. separation from parents)

Antisocial attitudes, beliefs (eg. dishonesty)

Abusive or neglectful parents

Antisocial peers

## LATE RISK FACTORS

(ages 12-14)

### Strong Effect

Weak social ties

Antisocial, delinquent peers

Gang membership

### Moderate Effect

General delinquency

### Weaker Effect

Psychological condition (eg. restlessness, difficulty concentrating, risk taking)

[Poor parent-child relations](#) (eg. harsh or lax discipline, poor supervision, low parental involvement)

Aggression

Being male

Poor attitude toward performance in school

Physical violence

Neighborhood crime, drugs

Neighborhood disorganization

Antisocial parents

Antisocial attitudes, beliefs

Crimes against people

Antisocial behavior

Low IQ

Broken home

Low family socioeconomic status/poverty

Abusive parents

Other family conditions (eg. family conflict)

Substance use

Source: "Youth Violence: A Report of the Surgeon General"