

Impact of Internet use on General Well-being of Adolescents

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Abstract

Present research is intended to highlight the impact of Internet use on general well-being of adolescents belonging to different residential background, gender, academic stream and frequency of Internet access. In order to see the impact, $2 \times 2 \times 3$ factorial design was employed. A sample of 496 Internet user adolescents was taken. The data were collected and analyzed in the light of the objectives and design of the study. The results of this study indicates that (i) There is no significant impact of residential background, gender, academic stream and frequency of Internet access on general well-being of Internet user adolescents; (ii) There is no significant interactive impact between residential background and gender, gender and academic stream, academic stream and frequency of Internet access, residential background and frequency of Internet access, gender and frequency of Internet access on general well-being of Internet user adolescents; but a significant interactive impact between residential background and academic stream was found on general well-being of Internet user adolescents; (iii) There is no significant interactive impact among residential background, gender and academic stream; gender, academic stream and frequency of Internet access; residential background, academic stream and frequency of Internet access; residential background, gender and frequency of Internet access on general well-being of Internet user adolescents; (iv) There is no significant interactive impact among residential background, gender, academic stream and frequency of Internet access on general well-being of Internet user adolescents.

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