

Basic Research Question: This is a question that links two BASIC CONCEPTS, such as RELIGION, HEALTH, FAMILY, EDUCATION, ECONOMY, DEVIANCE, SOCIAL CLASS

Variables: Independent Variable = Cause

Dependent variable = Effect

These are often defined as "Frequency of" - some behavior or outcome. Or "incidence of" some set of events. Perhaps also, "% of," "level of," "strength of" etc.

To begin:

1. Frame a Basic Research Question:

What is the relationship between \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_?

2. Identify an Independent variable = \_\_\_\_\_

3. Identify a Dependent variable = \_\_\_\_\_

4. Hypothesis: The (higher) the \_\_\_\_\_ the (lower) the \_\_\_\_\_.  
(can be greater/lesser, more/less, etc.)

Note: Variables are social realities that VARY. Variables are MEASUREABLE.