

Supplementary Table S1. Differences in Physical and Mental Component Summary scores across subgroups (n=4312)

	Physical Component Summary score			Mental Component Summary score		
	Mean (SD)	P value	Effect size	Mean (SD)	P value	Effect size
Infant gender						
Girl (n=2145)	44.8 (7.2)	0.95	0.01	54.6 (9.9)	0.02	0.07
Boy (n=2167)	44.7 (7.4)			53.9 (10.6)		
Maternal educational level		0.02	0.11		<0.001	0.24
High (n=1307)	45.1 (7.0)			55.7 (8.5)		
Mid-high (n=1023)	44.4 (7.4)			54.4 (10.0)		
Mid-low (n=1190)	44.4 (7.5)			53.7 (10.9)		
Low (n=622)	45.2 (7.0)			52.9 (11.4)		
Maternal ethnic background		0.03	0.14		<0.001	0.31
Dutch (n=2692)	44.8 (7.0)			55.4 (9.1)		
Other western (n=385)	45.5 (7.1)			54.0 (10.2)		
Non-western (n=1170)	44.4 (7.8)			51.7 (12.0)		
Marital status		0.04	0.10		<0.001	0.21
Married/living together (n=3703)	44.8 (7.2)			54.5 (10.0)		
No partner (n=401)	44.0 (8.0)			52.0 (11.7)		
Household income		0.04	0.07		<0.001	0.33
≤2200 euro/month (n=1280)	44.4 (7.5)			51.8 (11.7)		
>2200 euro/month (n=2474)	44.9 (7.1)			55.7 (8.9)		
Parity		0.04	0.07		0.45	0.02
Nullipara (n=2508)	44.5 (7.4)			54.3 (10.2)		
Multipara (n=1746)	45.0 (7.2)			54.1 (10.3)		
Twin birth		0.29	0.15		0.11	0.20
Yes (n=53)	45.8 (6.8)			51.9 (11.6)		
No (n=4259)	44.7 (7.3)			54.2 (10.2)		
Unplanned pregnancy		0.93	0.01		<0.001	0.25
Yes (n=844)	44.7 (7.5)			52.1 (11.5)		
No (n=3054)	44.8 (7.2)			55.0 (9.6)		
Gestational weight gain		0.49	0.06		0.24	0.08
Adequate weight gain ¹ (n=1024)	44.8 (7.3)			54.8 (9.7)		
Inadequate weight gain (n=578)	45.1 (7.0)			54.0 (10.5)		
Excessive weight gain (n=1307)	44.6 (7.3)			54.2 (10.4)		
Preeclampsia		0.42	0.07		0.22	0.13
Yes (n=75)	44.2 (8.5)			52.8 (10.9)		
No (n=3764)	44.8 (7.2)			54.2 (10.2)		
Pregnancy-induced hypertension		0.004	0.21		0.64	0.04
Yes (n=165)	43.2 (7.7)			54.6 (11.0)		
No (n=3764)	44.8 (7.2)			54.2 (10.2)		
Gestational diabetes		0.40	0.15		0.85	0.03
Yes (n=26)	43.5 (7.9)			54.6 (12.2)		
No (n=4170)	44.7 (7.3)			54.2 (10.3)		
Hospitalization during pregnancy		0.10	0.17		0.05	0.18
Yes (n=71)	43.4 (8.1)			52.1 (12.5)		

No (n=3674)	44.8 (7.2)		54.5 (10.0)		
Mode of delivery		<0.001	0.49	0.26	0.12
Spontaneous vaginal delivery (n=2987)	45.2 (7.0)		54.4 (9.9)		
Induced vaginal delivery (n=437)	44.2 (7.6)		53.6 (11.2)		
Elective cesarean delivery (n=199)	41.1 (8.4)		54.1 (10.9)		
Emergency cesarean delivery (n=276)	42.3 (8.2)		53.2 (10.2)		
Location of delivery		0.01	0.10	<0.001	0.33
At home (n=771)	45.4 (6.8)		55.5 (8.2)		
At hospital (n=3433)	44.6 (7.3)		54.0 (10.6)		
In childbirth clinics or other places (n=95)	44.6 (8.3)		51.7 (11.6)		
Loss of energy		<0.001	0.26	<0.001	0.24
Yes (n=2152)	43.8 (7.7)		52.8 (10.9)		
No (n=2043)	45.8 (6.6)		56.0 (8.9)		
Headache		<0.001	0.14	<0.001	0.30
Yes (n=590)	43.8 (7.7)		51.2 (12.2)		
No (n=3629)	44.9 (7.2)		54.8 (9.7)		
Maternal psychopathology ²		<0.001	0.28	<0.001	1.10
Lowest tertile	46.1 (5.8)		59.8 (4.7)		
Middle tertile	44.3 (7.2)		56.4 (6.2)		
Highest tertile	43.7 (8.5)		46.3 (12.3)		
Mecometum-stained amniotic fluid		0.07	0.08	0.64	0.02
Yes (n=624)	45.2 (6.7)		54.0 (10.6)		
No (n=3519)	44.6 (7.4)		54.2 (10.2)		
Apgar score of <7 at 5 minutes, n (%)		0.35	0.14	0.19	0.16
Yes (n=43)	43.7 (7.4)		52.2 (12.0)		
No (n=4092)	44.7 (7.3)		54.2 (10.2)		
Preterm birth		0.18	0.10	0.003	0.18
Yes (n=219)	45.4 (7.3)		52.2 (11.7)		
No (n=4092)	44.7 (7.3)		54.3 (10.2)		
Low birth weight ³		0.54	0.19	0.47	0.08
Yes (n=183)	45.4 (7.3)		53.6 (10.4)		
No (n=4129)	44.7 (7.3)		54.2 (10.2)		
Small size for gestational age		0.14	0.08	0.20	0.07
Yes (n=360)	45.3 (6.9)		53.5 (10.6)		
No (n=3948)	44.7 (7.3)		54.2 (10.2)		
Intrauterine growth restriction (IUGR)		0.21	0.16	0.48	0.09
Yes (n=60)	45.9 (7.2)		53.2 (11.0)		
No (n=4170)	44.7 (7.3)		54.2 (10.3)		
Hospital admission of the baby		<0.001	0.17	0.002	0.12
Yes (n=706)	43.7 (7.8)		53.1 (10.7)		
No (n=3511)	45.0 (7.2)		54.4 (10.1)		

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³Low birth weight was defined as the birth weight is lower than 2500 grams.

Effect size (d) calculated by dividing the difference in mean scores between subgroups by the largest standard deviation and interpreted as: $0.2 \leq d < 0.5$ small difference, $0.5 \leq d < 0.8$ moderate difference, and $d \geq 0.8$ large difference.

Supplementary Table S2. Multivariable associations with Physical and Mental Component Summary scores in the non-imputed datasets

	Physical Component Summary score (n=2727)		Mental Component Summary score (n=2859)	
	B (95% CI)	P value	B (95% CI)	P value
Maternal age at intake (in years)	-0.10 (-0.17, -0.04)	0.003	-0.12 (-0.19, -0.04)	0.002
Time after delivery (in months)	0.66 (0.39, 0.94)	<0.001	-0.11 (-0.42, 0.20)	0.49
Infant's gender				
Boy			Reference	
Girl			0.37 (-0.22, 0.96)	0.22
Maternal Educational level				
High education	Reference		Reference	
Mid-high education	-0.88 (-1.57, -0.18)	0.01	-0.02 (-0.76, 0.80)	0.96
Mid-low education	-0.68 (-1.42, 0.06)	0.07	-0.20 (-1.02, 0.62)	0.64
Low education	0.15 (-0.85, 1.14)	0.77	-0.91 (-2.02, 0.20)	0.11
Maternal ethnic background				
Dutch	Reference		Reference	
Other western	0.39 (-0.60, 1.38)	0.44	-0.38 (-1.48, 0.72)	0.50
Non-western	-0.26 (-0.94, 0.42)	0.46	-0.74 (-1.51, 0.02)	0.06
Household income				
High household income	Reference		Reference	
Low household income	-0.37 (-1.07, 0.32)	0.29	-0.99 (-1.77, -0.21)	0.01
Marital status				
Married or living together	Reference		Reference	
Single	-0.24 (-1.26, 0.78)	0.65	0.31 (-0.88, 1.49)	0.61
Parity				
Nullipara	Reference			
Multipara	0.14 (-0.45, 0.73)	0.64		
Unplanned pregnancy				
No			Reference	
Yes			0.61 (-0.19, 1.40)	0.13
Pregnancy-induced hypertension				
No	Reference			
Yes	-0.95 (-2.23, 0.33)	0.15		
Mode of delivery				
Spontaneous vaginal delivery	Reference			
Induced vaginal delivery	-1.09 (-2.01, -0.17)	0.02		
Elective cesarean delivery	-3.75 (-5.06, -2.45)	<0.001		
Emergency cesarean delivery	-2.40 (-3.48, -1.33)	<0.001		
Location of delivery				
At home	Reference		Reference	
At hospital	0.04 (-0.69, 0.78)	0.91	0.20 (-0.95, 0.56)	0.62
At childbirth clinic or other	-1.52 (-3.56, 0.52)	0.14	-1.12 (-3.24, 1.01)	0.30
places				
Loss of energy				
No	Reference		Reference	
Yes	-1.51 (-2.06, -0.97)	<0.001	-1.54 (-2.15, -0.93)	<0.001
Headache				
No	Reference		Reference	
Yes	-0.73 (-1.50, 0.04)	0.06	-1.47 (-2.33, -0.61)	0.001
Maternal psychopathology				
Lowest tertile	reference		reference	
Middle tertile	-1.40 (-2.04, -0.76)	<0.001	-3.00 (-3.72, -2.28)	<0.001

Highest tertile	-1.73 (-2.40, -1.06)	<0.001	-11.55 (-12.30, -10.79)	<0.001
Preterm birth				
No			Reference	
Yes			-0.33 (-1.86, 1.21)	0.68
Hospital admission of the baby				
No		Reference	Reference	
Yes	-1.04 (-1.78, -0.30)	0.006	-0.11 (-0.97, 0.75)	0.80

The above table is based on the non-imputed data. Values represent betas with 95% CIs (confidence intervals) and p values derived from multiple linear regression analyses.

The significance level is p<0.05

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Supplementary Table S3. Characteristics of the study population (n=4321) and the population excluded from analyses (n=5466)

Characteristics	Study population (n=4312)	Exclude population (n=5466)	P value
Mother/ infant demographic characteristics			
Maternal age at enrollment, in years; mean (standard deviation)	31.0 (4.7)	29.0 (5.7)	<0.001
<i>missing</i>	0	3	
Time after delivery, in months, median (interquartile range)	2.8 (2.3 – 3.5)	2.9 (2.3 – 3.8)	0.004
Range	0.4 – 6.0	0.8 – 6.0	
<i>missing</i>	350	4811	
Gender of infants, n (%)			0.49
Girl	2145 (49.7)	2604 (49.0)	
Boy	2167 (50.3)	2708 (51.0)	
<i>missing</i>	0	154	
Maternal ethnic background, n (%)			<0.001
Dutch	2692 (63.4)	1853 (38.3)	
Other western	385 (9.1)	391 (8.1)	
Non-western	1170 (27.5)	2592 (53.6)	
<i>missing</i>	65	630	
Maternal educational level, n (%)			<0.001
High	1307 (31.6)	698 (15.8)	
Mid-high	1023 (24.7)	632 (14.3)	
Mid-low	1190 (28.7)	1436 (32.5)	
Low	622 (15.0)	1648 (37.3)	
<i>missing</i>	170	1052	
Marital status, n (%)			<0.001
Married/living together	3703 (90.2)	3623 (81.2)	
No partner	401 (9.8)	837 (18.8)	
<i>missing</i>	208	1006	
Household income, n (%)			<0.001
≤2200 euro/month	1280 (34.1)	1784 (60.3)	
>2200 euro/month	2474 (65.9)	1173 (39.7)	
<i>missing</i>	558	2400	
Pregnancy-related characteristics			
Parity, n (%)			<0.001
Nullipara	2508 (59.0)	2669 (51.9)	
Multipara	1746 (41.0)	2476 (48.1)	
<i>missing</i>	58	510	
Twin birth, n (%)	53 (1.2)	70 (1.3)	0.86
<i>missing</i>			
Unplanned pregnancy, n (%)	844 (21.7)		
<i>missing</i>	414		
Gestational weight gain, n (%)			0.10
Inadequate weight gain	578 (19.9)	104 (23.9)	
Adequate weight gain ¹	1024 (35.2)	154 (35.4)	
Excessive weight gain	1307 (44.9)	177 (40.7)	
<i>missing</i>	1403	5031	
Preeclampsia, n (%)	75 (2.0)	112 (2.6)	0.06
<i>missing</i>	473	1136	

Pregnancy induced hypertension, n (%)	165 (4.2)	153 (3.5)	0.11
<i>missing</i>	370	1095	
Gestational diabetes, n (%)	26 (0.6)	77 (1.5)	<0.001
<i>missing</i>	116	483	
Hospitalization during pregnancy, n (%)	71 (1.9)	90 (3.0)	0.003
<i>missing</i>	567	2492	
Delivery characteristics			
Mode of delivery, n (%)			0.03
Spontaneous vaginal delivery	2987 (76.6)	3360 (74.1)	
Induced vaginal delivery	437 (11.2)	575 (12.7)	
Elective cesarean delivery	199 (5.1)	227 (5.0)	
Emergency cesarean delivery	276 (7.1)	374 (8.2)	
<i>missing</i>	413	930	
Location of delivery, n (%) places			<0.001
At home	771 (17.9)	452 (8.7)	
At hospital	3433 (79.9)	4552 (87.3)	
In childbirth clinic or other	95 (2.2)	211 (4.0)	
<i>missing</i>	13	251	
Maternal postpartum health-related factors			
Loss of energy (yes), n (%)	2151 (51.3)	285 (42.2)	<0.001
<i>Missing</i>	118	4791	
Headache (yes), n (%)	590 (14.0)	116 (17.1)	0.04
<i>missing</i>	93	4786	
Maternal psychopathology			0.001
Lowest tertile	1517 (35.7)	200 (30.8)	
Middle tertile	1322 (31.1)	186 (28.6)	
Highest tertile	1414 (33.2)	264 (40.6)	
<i>missing</i>	59	4816	
Infant health-related factors			
Mecomium-stained amniotic fluid, n (%)	624 (15.1)	733 (15.0)	0.95
<i>missing</i>	169	582	
Apgar score of <7 at 5 minutes, n (%)	43 (1.0)	57 (1.2)	0.55
<i>missing</i>	177	645	
Preterm birth, n (%)	219 (5.1)	404 (7.7)	<0.001
<i>missing</i>	1	239	
Low birth weight ³ , n (%)	183 (4.2)	335 (6.4)	<0.001
Small size for gestational age, n (%)	360 (8.4)	232	
<i>missing</i>	4		
Intrauterine growth restriction (IUGR), n (%)	60 (1.4)	99 (2.0)	0.04
<i>missing</i>	129	506	
Hospital admission of the baby, n (%)	706 (16.7)	153 (17.6)	0.55
<i>missing</i>	95	4597	

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