

Greek Adolescents' Mothers and Fathers Differ in Their Preferred Parenting Styles

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The purpose of the current study was to compare parenting styles of mothers and fathers of Greek adolescents, aged 12-18.

A total of 132 Greek couples were studied with the Parenting Style Four Factor Questionnaire (PS-FFQ).

The results reinforced previous studies' results indicating that adolescents' mothers and fathers differ in their parenting styles, with mothers being oriented towards more positive and effective parenting styles than fathers.

Important findings were that nowadays in Greece, the most common parenting style among the adolescents' mothers and fathers is the authoritative parenting style, and the least common – the uninvolved one.

With regards the frequency of family parenting styles, the results indicated a higher frequency of concordant than discordant combinations of mother and father styles, with two authoritative parents being the most common family parenting style and in contrast - two uninvolved parents being the least common family parenting style.