

## Table 2: Suggested definitions of adult status

Study	Variables stressed as important outcomes				
Affleck et al. (1991)	Employment	Post-secondary education	Independent living	---	---
Botherson et al. (1988)	Employment		Living outwith home	---	Socialisation
CERI (1991)	Employment		Personal independence	Family roles	Social interaction
FEU (1991)	Economic self-sufficiency		Personal independence	Adult role-taking in home and society	---
Gergory et al. (1989)	Employment		---		---
Lichtenstein et al. (1989)	Employment		---		---
Ward et al. (1991)	Employment		Living outwith home		Social Competence