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From the abstract: "The aim of this study was to examine the nature of problem behavior development from late childhood through adolescence, to assess the quantitative development of problem behavior (alcohol use, marijuana use, deviance, academic failure) as well as potential qualitative shifts in problem behavior over time...Results showed significant growth in problem behavior from ages 11-18. Alcohol use and marijuana use contributed most, and academic failure contributed least to the problem behavior latent construct. Results [also revealed] that the contribution of all four behaviors to the overall problem behavior construct increased similarly as children aged" (p. 43).

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