

June 25, 2012 -- Internet Data Release

Eleven files were released:

- Adult Disability Questions Test (ADLTDISB)
- Child Disability Questions Test (CHLDDISB)
- Family Disability Questions Test (FMLYDISB)
- Functioning & Disability (FUNCDISB)
- Family (FAMILYXX)
- Household (HOUSEHLD)
- Injury and Poison Episode (INJPOIEP)
- Person (PERSONSX)
- Sample Adult (SAMADULT)
- Sample Child (SAMCHILD)
- Paradata (PARADATA)

One additional file will be released at a later time:

- Imputed Income

Each file that is released is made up seven parts:

- Data - Compressed ASCII format (.ZIP-->.DAT)
- File Variable Summary - PDF format (_SUMMARY.PDF)
- File Layout (Codebook)- PDF format (_LAYOUT.PDF)
- File Frequency Report - PDF format (_FREQ.PDF)
- SAS Program Sample - ASCII format (.SAS)
- SPSS Program Sample - ASCII format (.SPS)
- STATA Program Sample - ASCII format (.DO)

The Sample Adult file has additional documentation describing Industry/Occupation Coding:

- NAICS_Sectors_and_Subsectors.pdf
- SOC Major Groups.pdf

This year's release also includes other documentation:

- Survey Description - PDF format (SRVYDESC.PDF)
- Questionnaires (English) - PDF format (QPDF)
- Questionnaires (Spanish) - PDF format (QS... .PDF)
- Questionnaire Guide - PDF format (QREFGUIDE.PDF)
- Interview Flashcards (Eng.) - PDF format (FLASHCRD.PDF)
- Interview Flashcards (Span.)- PDF format (FLASHCRS.PDF)
- Interviewer Manual - PDF format (FRMANUAL.PDF)
- Interview Flow Chart - PDF format (NHISFLOW.PDF)
- Data Access Instructions - PDF format (README.PDF)
- Log of release dates - PDF format (HIS11LOG.PDF)
- Co-Sponsor Information - HTML format (.HTM)

The Paradata file has additional documentation describing the data file:
Survey Description - Paradata - PDF format (SRVYDESC_PARADATA.pdf)

The Disability Questions Tests files have additional documentation
describing the data file:
Survey Description - Disbtest - PDF format (SRVYDESC_DISBTEST.pdf)

The Functioning and Disability file, has additional documentation
describing the data file:
Survey Description - Funcdisb - PDF format (SRVYDESC_FUNCDISB.pdf)

The 2011 NHIS will not be made available on ASCII CD.

NCHS recommends that data users verify the integrity of downloaded
files by comparing the checksums of downloaded files to the reference
values given below:

7D93D944FF4E6A73CC5C3AAEC4782301	ADLTDISB.DAT
CACB0A58BF5A4EE970A6D351DC1D7F0C	CHLDDISB.DAT
1BD7C92C1FD596452CF824F2772B6D05	FMLYDISB.DAT
353855B22A173B3E15B235224BC88AF1	FUNCDISB.DAT
6CF8C6D3102D6D987E7FC20ED5A4B159	FAMILYXX.DAT
EFD6CE0CD9B3F66DD4EE636760532AC2	HOUSEHLD.DAT
8D1EB641C5B11D28C7769E69EA0321E3	INJPOIEP.DAT
EE2A24889CA47299C99195562CA3418B	PARADATA.DAT
994A178CD7542A59DD84F27B5D242CEC	PERSONSX.DAT
D5984BAFCCB781D0C3B5BBCA1047DA1C	SAMADULT.DAT
79806110C26DB60C966EAE53453C5335	SAMCHILD.DAT

For more information on MD5 checksums, please refer to the NHIS micro-data
reference information document, located at:

ftp://ftp.cdc.gov/pub/Health_Statistics/NCHS/Datasets/NHIS/checksums.pdf

August 31, 2012 -- Imputed Income Linkage Files and Documentation

(DATA ADDITION TO INTERNET RELEASE)

Data files containing imputed family income and personal earnings figures with
dollar amounts top-coded to the 95th percentile were released. The imputed
values, file layout, frequency counts for selected variables, technical
documentation (including examples of analyses), and sample input SAS and Stata
code can be obtained from the NHIS Web site via the Imputed Income Files link
under the survey year on the 1997-present NHIS data page which can be reached
from: http://www.cdc.gov/NCHS/nhis/nhis_2011_data_release.htm

October 9, 2012 -- Revised Release of the 2011 Paradata File, 2 duplicate
records were removed.

The checksum number above reflects the corrected data file.

To obtain the Internet release of the 2011 NHIS data, visit the NHIS home page:

<http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/nhis.htm>

and click on:

Questionnaires, Data Sets and Related Documentation

Users are encouraged to join the HISUSERS Listserv and receive E-mail announcements of updates to the NHIS files. To join the Listserv, visit the website at:

http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/nhis/nhis_listserv.htm

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