

----- NHIS LOG: DATA YEAR 2003 -----

December 17, 2004 -- Internet Data Release

Eight files were released:

- Family (FAMILYXX)
- Household (HOUSEHLD)
- Immunization (IMMUNIZE)
- Injury/Poison Episode (INJPOIEP)
- Injury/Poison Verbatim (INJVERBT)
- Person (PERSONSX)
- Sample Adult (SAMADULT)
- Sample Child (SAMCHILD)

Each file that is released is made up five parts:

- Data - Compressed ASCII format (.EXE-->.DAT)
- File Layout - PDF format (.PDF)
- SAS Program Sample - ASCII format (.SAS)
- SPSS Program Sample - ASCII format (.SPS)
- STATA Program Sample - ASCII format (.DO)

This year's release also includes other documentation:

- Survey Description - PDF format (SRVYDESC.PDF)
- Questionnaires - PDF format (QPDF)
- Interview Flashcards - PDF format (FLASHCRD.PDF)
- Interviewer Manual - PDF format (FRMANUAL.PDF)
- Interview Flow Chart - PDF format (NHISFLOW.PDF)
- Data Access Instructions - ASCII format (README.TXT)
- Log of release dates - ASCII format (HIS03LOG.TXT)

February 22, 2005 -- Imputed Income Linkage Files and Documentation
(DATA ADDITION TO INTERNET RELEASE)

Data files containing imputed family income and personal earnings figures were released. The imputed values, file layout, frequency counts for the variables, and technical documentation (including examples of analyses) 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/about/major/nhis/quest_data_related_doc.htm

October 6, 2005 -- Update to Imputed Income Linkage Files and Documentation
(DATA AND DOCUMENTATION CHANGE)

The 2003 NHIS Imputed Family Income/ Personal Earnings files were revised to correct values of the variable RAT_CATI (ratio of family income to poverty threshold group) for 1,032 persons. The corrections affect persons in families consisting of one adult and three children, regardless of whether income was imputed. For persons in these families the calculation of the ratio of family income to poverty threshold has been revised to use the correct poverty threshold

value (\$18,307 instead of \$183,072). No other data years were affected by this revision. The correct 2003 Imputed Income files can be reached from:

http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/about/major/nhis/quest_data_related_1997_forward.htm

March 23, 2006 -- Update to Sample Adult File and Documentation
(DATA AND DOCUMENTATION CHANGE)

One variable in the 2003 NHIS Sample Adult file was modified. Variable DIBNDYR (# TIMES SEEN NURSE/DIETICIAN FOR DIABETES) is re-edited using a corrected version of the "universe" (those records which are for people who should have been asked this question). The original edit had erroneously excluded records, resulting in valid data being eliminated. The Sample Adult file layout for variable DIBNDYR has been modified in order to correct the universe and to reflect the new frequencies of the variable's values. No other data years were affected by this change. The corrected 2003 Sample Adult files (samadult.exe and samadult.pdf) can be found in the 2003 NHIS Dataset link and Dataset Documentation link at:

http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/about/major/nhis/quest_data_related_1997_forward.htm

March 24, 2006 -- Update to Recontact Questionnaire
(DOCUMENTATION CHANGE)

The 2003 Recontact questionnaire on the Internet was updated to include cell phone questions which were inadvertently omitted from this document. No data files were affected by this change. The corrected Recontact questionnaire (greconct.pdf) can be found in the 2003 NHIS Survey Questionnaires... link at:

http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/about/major/nhis/quest_data_related_1997_forward.htm

March 31, 2006 -- Update to Sample Adult Documentation
(DOCUMENTATION CHANGE)

The question text in the 2003 NHIS Sample Adult file layout for variable PAINECK (ACN.300) was modified in order to add part of the question text that had previously been missing from this document. No data file was affected by this change. The corrected 2003 Sample Adult file layout (samadult.pdf) can be found in the 2003 NHIS Dataset Documentation link at:

http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/about/major/nhis/quest_data_related_1997_forward.htm

August 1, 2008 - 2003 Supplemental Files for Singleton PSU

NCHS has created one supplemental file (2003samchild.dat) with dummy records to fill in the missing sample design information for the 2003 Sample Child file.

The layout of the 2003samchild.dat is the same as the 2003 Sample Child file. The weight variables for the supplemental records, WTIA_SC and WTFA_SC, have been set equal to 1. For more details, please visit page:

http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/about/major/nhis/singleton_PSU.htm

September 23, 2009 -- Update Released SAS Program (CANCRECO.SAS)

The SAS program CANCRECO.sas can be used to recreate recodes for the "time since cancer screening test" for the 2003 NHIS data in the Cancer Screening section (NAF) of the Sample Adult file. This release corrects errors in the number of time categories for RCRE3 and RHFOB3.

http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/about/major/nhis/quest_data_related_1997_forward.htm

July 16, 2014 -- Corrected recode calculations

In 2003, some of the NAF "time since cancer screening test" recodes were miscalculated. The following code uses the same estimation method used in 2000, and is consistent with the methods used in 2000 by the National Cancer Institute and the Office of Analysis and Epidemiology, National Center for Health Statistics. This program (P3_Final_Recode.sas) recreates the recodes using the method referred to as Method "B" in the 2005 and 2008 CANRECO.SAS programs. These programs can be found on the data release web pages for these data years (http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/nhis/nhis_2005_data_release.htm and http://www.cdc.gov/NCHS/nhis/nhis_2008_data_release.htm, respectively). Additionally, modifications in this program allow for a higher number of months since last test. Data users interested in calculating the time since last colorectal exam, home fecal occult blood test, mammogram, pap smear test, or PSA test should run this program, which will generate the correct recoded values of months since last test (RCRE_MO2, RHFO_MO2, RMAM_MO2, RPAP_MO2, RPSA_MO2) and time category since last test (RCRE3B, RHFOB3B, RMAM3B, RPAP3B, RPSA3B). This program outputs a permanent SAS data set with the 10 recodes listed above along with identifiers (HHX, FMX, PX) that can be used to merge the corrected recodes with other NHIS data files.

To obtain the Internet release of the 2003 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/about/major/nhis/nhislist.htm>

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ftp://ftp.cdc.gov/pub/Health_Statistics/NCHS/Update_Notices/NHIS/2003/his03log.txt
