

2012 National Health Interview Survey (NHIS) 1  
 Functioning and Disability Public Use File (funcdisb)  
 IDN Variables Friday, April 5, 2013  
 Unweighted Frequencies

**Continuous variables in the frequency  
 report only show the range of valid numbers**

IDN.000\_00.000: File type identifier

RECTYPE	Frequency	Percent
10 Household	0	0.00
20 Person	0	0.00
25 Income Imputation	0	0.00
30 Sample Adult	0	0.00
31 Sample Adult Cancer	0	0.00
34 Adult Alternative Medicine	0	0.00
38 Functioning and Disability	8781	100.00
39 Adult Disability Questions Test	0	0.00
40 Sample Child	0	0.00
44 Child Alternative Medicine	0	0.00
49 Child Disability Questions Test	0	0.00
60 Family	0	0.00
63 Family Disability Questions Test	0	0.00
65 Paradata	0	0.00
70 Injury/Poisoning Episode	0	0.00
75 Injury/Poisoning Verbatim	0	0.00

IDN.000\_02.000: Year of National Health Interview Survey

SRVY_YR	Frequency	Percent
Survey Year	8781	100.00

IDN.000\_04.000: Household Number

HHX	Frequency	Percent
Range of Values	8781	100.00

IDN.000\_25.000: Interview Quarter

INTV_QRT	Frequency	Percent
1 Quarter 1	1897	21.60
2 Quarter 2	2362	26.90
3 Quarter 3	2274	25.90
4 Quarter 4	2248	25.60

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IDN.000\_30.000: Interview Month

INTV_MON	Frequency	Percent
01 January	611	6.96
02 February	641	7.30
03 March	645	7.35
04 April	846	9.63
05 May	765	8.71
06 June	751	8.55
07 July	796	9.07
08 August	786	8.95
09 September	692	7.88
10 October	745	8.48
11 November	746	8.50
12 December	757	8.62

IDN.000\_35.000: Family Number

FMX	Frequency	Percent
01-25 Family number 1 - 25	8781	100.00

IDN.000\_40.000: Person Number (Within family)

FPX	Frequency	Percent
01-25 Person number 1 thru 25	8781	100.00

IDN.000\_70.000: Weight - Final Annual Functioning and Disability file

WTFA_AFD	Frequency	Percent
Range of Values	8781	100.00

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UCF.000\_00.000: Pseudo-stratum for public-use file variance estimation

STRAT_P	Frequency	Percent
001-300	8781	100.00

UCF.000\_00.000: Pseudo-PSU for public-use file variance estimation

PSU_P	Frequency	Percent
01-02	8781	100.00

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FDB.001\_00.000: Disability Questions Test flag

FDRN_FLG	Frequency	Percent
1 Families selected to receive ADB (sample adults) and CDB (sample children 1-17 years) sections	0	0.00
2 Families selected to receive FDB (all persons 1 year and older) sections	8781	100.00

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FRT.002\_00.000: Adult Functioning and Disability flag

AFD_FLG	Frequency	Percent
1 Sample Adult selected to receive AFD section	8781	100.00
2 Sample Adult not selected to receive AFD section	0	0.00

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AFD.090\_00.000: Does respondent wear glasses?

VIS_0	Frequency	Percent
1 Yes	5158	58.74
2 No	3378	38.47
7 Refused	13	0.15
8 Not ascertained	230	2.62
9 Don't know	2	0.02

AFD.100\_00.000: Degree of difficulty seeing

VIS_SS2	Frequency	Percent
1 No difficulty	7089	80.73
2 Some difficulty	1297	14.77
3 A lot of difficulty	129	1.47
4 Cannot do at all/unable to do	17	0.19
7 Refused	10	0.11
8 Not ascertained	232	2.64
9 Don't know	7	0.08

AFD.140\_00.000: Do you use a hearing aid?

HEAR_1R	Frequency	Percent
1 Yes	282	3.21
2 No	8251	93.96
7 Refused	11	0.13
8 Not ascertained	234	2.66
9 Don't know	3	0.03

AFD.145\_00.000: How often do you use a hearing aid?

HEAR_2R	Frequency	Percent
1 All of the time	163	57.80
2 Some of the time	85	30.14
3 Rarely	22	7.80
4 Never	11	3.90
7 Refused	0	0.00
8 Not ascertained	1	0.35
9 Don't know	0	0.00

Frequency Missing = 8499

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AFD.150\_00.000: Degree of difficulty hearing

HEAR_SS2	Frequency	Percent
1 No difficulty	7094	80.79
2 Some difficulty	1288	14.67
3 A lot of difficulty	133	1.51
4 Cannot do at all/unable to do	13	0.15
7 Refused	12	0.14
8 Not ascertained	236	2.69
9 Don't know	5	0.06

AFD.170\_00.000: Degree of difficulty hearing  
 conversation with one person in quiet room

HEAR_3	Frequency	Percent
1 No difficulty	7825	91.71
2 Some difficulty	633	7.42
3 A lot of difficulty	48	0.56
4 Cannot do at all/unable to do	3	0.04
7 Refused	12	0.14
8 Not ascertained	5	0.06
9 Don't know	6	0.07

Frequency Missing = 249

AFD.170\_00.001: Degree of difficulty hearing conversation with  
 one person in noisier room even when wearing hearing aid

HEAR_4	Frequency	Percent
1 No difficulty	6136	71.98
2 Some difficulty	2010	23.58
3 A lot of difficulty	330	3.87
4 Cannot do at all/unable to do	16	0.19
7 Refused	12	0.14
8 Not ascertained	2	0.02
9 Don't know	18	0.21

Frequency Missing = 257

AFD.180\_00.000: Degree of difficulty walking or climbing steps

MOB_SS2	Frequency	Percent
1 No difficulty	6892	78.49
2 Some difficulty	1078	12.28
3 A lot of difficulty	387	4.41
4 Cannot do at all/unable to do	162	1.84
7 Refused	12	0.14
8 Not ascertained	245	2.79
9 Don't know	5	0.06

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AFD.200\_00.000: Use equipment or receive help for getting around?

MOB_2R	Frequency	Percent
1 Yes	781	8.89
2 No	7741	88.16
7 Refused	11	0.13
8 Not ascertained	245	2.79
9 Don't know	3	0.03

AFD.200\_00.001: Use cane or walking stick?

MOB_3A	Frequency	Percent
1 Yes	498	63.76
2 No	282	36.11
7 Refused	1	0.13
8 Not ascertained	0	0.00
9 Don't know	0	0.00

Frequency Missing = 8000

AFD.200\_00.002: Use a walker or Zimmer frame?

MOB_3B2	Frequency	Percent
1 Yes	281	35.98
2 No	499	63.89
7 Refused	0	0.00
8 Not ascertained	0	0.00
9 Don't know	1	0.13

Frequency Missing = 8000

AFD.200\_00.003: Use crutches?

MOB_3C	Frequency	Percent
1 Yes	73	9.35
2 No	708	90.65
7 Refused	0	0.00
8 Not ascertained	0	0.00
9 Don't know	0	0.00

Frequency Missing = 8000



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AFD.200\_00.004: Use a wheelchair or scooter?

MOB_3D2	Frequency	Percent
1 Yes	192	24.58
2 No	589	75.42
7 Refused	0	0.00
8 Not ascertained	0	0.00
9 Don't know	0	0.00

Frequency Missing = 8000

AFD.200\_00.005: Use artificial limb (leg/foot)?

MOB_3E2	Frequency	Percent
1 Yes	52	6.66
2 No	729	93.34
7 Refused	0	0.00
8 Not ascertained	0	0.00
9 Don't know	0	0.00

Frequency Missing = 8000

AFD.200\_00.006: Use someone's assistance?

MOB_3F	Frequency	Percent
1 Yes	273	34.96
2 No	508	65.04
7 Refused	0	0.00
8 Not ascertained	0	0.00
9 Don't know	0	0.00

Frequency Missing = 8000

AFD.200\_00.007: Use other type of equipment or help?

MOB_3G	Frequency	Percent
1 Yes	88	11.27
2 No	692	88.60
7 Refused	0	0.00
8 Not ascertained	0	0.00
9 Don't know	1	0.13

Frequency Missing = 8000

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AFD.210\_00.000: Degree of difficulty walking 100 yards  
 on level ground without the use of aid or equipment

MOB_4	Frequency	Percent
1 No difficulty	7131	85.46
2 Some difficulty	671	8.04
3 A lot of difficulty	238	2.85
4 Cannot do at all/unable to do	285	3.42
7 Refused	11	0.13
8 Not ascertained	4	0.05
9 Don't know	4	0.05

Frequency Missing = 437

AFD.220\_00.000: Degree of difficulty walking a third of a  
 mile on level ground without the use of aid or equipment

MOB_5	Frequency	Percent
1 No difficulty	6732	83.58
2 Some difficulty	776	9.63
3 A lot of difficulty	330	4.10
4 Cannot do at all/unable to do	187	2.32
7 Refused	11	0.14
8 Not ascertained	1	0.01
9 Don't know	18	0.22

Frequency Missing = 726

AFD.230\_00.000: Degree of difficulty walking up or  
 down 12 steps without the use of aid or equipment

MOB_6	Frequency	Percent
1 No difficulty	6972	83.56
2 Some difficulty	867	10.39
3 A lot of difficulty	288	3.45
4 Cannot do at all/unable to do	190	2.28
7 Refused	11	0.13
8 Not ascertained	6	0.07
9 Don't know	10	0.12

Frequency Missing = 437

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AFD.240\_00.000: Degree of difficulty walking 100  
yards on level ground when using aid or equipment

MOB_7	Frequency	Percent
1 No difficulty	221	37.52
2 Some difficulty	142	24.11
3 A lot of difficulty	81	13.75
4 Cannot do at all/unable to do	143	24.28
7 Refused	0	0.00
8 Not ascertained	1	0.17
9 Don't know	1	0.17

Frequency Missing = 8192

AFD.250\_00.000: Degree of difficulty walking a third  
of a mile on level ground when using aid or equipment

MOB_8	Frequency	Percent
1 No difficulty	192	43.15
2 Some difficulty	107	24.04
3 A lot of difficulty	88	19.78
4 Cannot do at all/unable to do	57	12.81
7 Refused	0	0.00
8 Not ascertained	0	0.00
9 Don't know	1	0.22

Frequency Missing = 8336

AFD.270\_00.000: Degree of difficulty communicating using usual language

COM_SS	Frequency	Percent
1 No difficulty	8137	92.67
2 Some difficulty	318	3.62
3 A lot of difficulty	45	0.51
4 Cannot do at all/unable to do	14	0.16
7 Refused	11	0.13
8 Not ascertained	252	2.87
9 Don't know	4	0.05

AFD.290\_00.000: Use sign language?

COM_2	Frequency	Percent
1 Yes	299	3.41
2 No	8216	93.57
7 Refused	11	0.13
8 Not ascertained	252	2.87
9 Don't know	3	0.03

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AFD.300\_00.000: Degree of difficulty remembering or concentrating

COG_SS	Frequency	Percent
1 No difficulty	7391	84.17
2 Some difficulty	976	11.11
3 A lot of difficulty	139	1.58
4 Cannot do at all/unable to do	7	0.08
7 Refused	11	0.13
8 Not ascertained	253	2.88
9 Don't know	4	0.05

AFD.310\_00.000: Difficulty remembering, concentrating, or both?

COG_1	Frequency	Percent
1 Difficulty remembering only	313	27.53
2 Difficulty concentrating only	159	13.98
3 Difficulty with both remembering and concentrating	645	56.73
7 Refused	12	1.06
8 Not ascertained	0	0.00
9 Don't know	8	0.70

Frequency Missing = 7644

AFD.320\_00.000: How often have difficulty remembering?

COG_2	Frequency	Percent
1 Sometimes	687	70.25
2 Often	182	18.61
3 All of the time	90	9.20
7 Refused	12	1.23
8 Not ascertained	0	0.00
9 Don't know	7	0.72

Frequency Missing = 7803

AFD.330\_00.000: Amount of things you have difficulty remembering?

COG_3	Frequency	Percent
1 A few things	748	76.48
2 A lot of things	162	16.56
3 Almost everything	49	5.01
7 Refused	12	1.23
8 Not ascertained	0	0.00
9 Don't know	7	0.72

Frequency Missing = 7803

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AFD.360\_00.000: Degree of difficulty with self-care

UB_SS	Frequency	Percent
1 No difficulty	8156	92.88
2 Some difficulty	274	3.12
3 A lot of difficulty	54	0.61
4 Cannot do at all/unable to do	28	0.32
7 Refused	12	0.14
8 Not ascertained	253	2.88
9 Don't know	4	0.05

AFD.370\_00.000: Degree of difficulty raising 2 liter  
 bottle of water or soda from waist to eye level

UB_1	Frequency	Percent
1 No difficulty	8026	91.40
2 Some difficulty	326	3.71
3 A lot of difficulty	79	0.90
4 Cannot do at all/unable to do	71	0.81
7 Refused	12	0.14
8 Not ascertained	253	2.88
9 Don't know	14	0.16

AFD.380\_00.000: Degree of difficulty using hands and fingers

UB_2	Frequency	Percent
1 No difficulty	7840	89.28
2 Some difficulty	536	6.10
3 A lot of difficulty	101	1.15
4 Cannot do at all/unable to do	34	0.39
7 Refused	12	0.14
8 Not ascertained	254	2.89
9 Don't know	4	0.05

AFD.410\_00.000: How often feel worried, nervous, or anxious?

ANX_1	Frequency	Percent
1 Daily	747	8.51
2 Weekly	791	9.01
3 Monthly	697	7.94
4 A few times a year	2449	27.89
5 Never	3795	43.22
7 Refused	24	0.27
8 Not ascertained	258	2.94
9 Don't know	20	0.23

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AFD.420\_00.000: Take medication for worried, nervous, or anxious feelings?

ANX_2	Frequency	Percent
1 Yes	850	9.68
2 No	7644	87.05
7 Refused	21	0.24
8 Not ascertained	258	2.94
9 Don't know	8	0.09

AFD.430\_00.000: Level of feelings when you last felt worried, nervous, or anxious?

ANX_3R	Frequency	Percent
1 A little	2722	57.04
2 A lot	600	12.57
3 Somewhere in between a little and a lot	1395	29.23
7 Refused	26	0.54
8 Not ascertained	2	0.04
9 Don't know	27	0.57

Frequency Missing = 4009

AFD.450\_00.000: How often do you feel depressed?

DEP_1	Frequency	Percent
1 Daily	368	4.19
2 Weekly	449	5.11
3 Monthly	434	4.94
4 A few times a year	1933	22.01
5 Never	5278	60.11
7 Refused	28	0.32
8 Not ascertained	262	2.98
9 Don't know	29	0.33

AFD.460\_00.000: Take medication for depression?

DEP_2	Frequency	Percent
1 Yes	798	9.09
2 No	7685	87.52
7 Refused	25	0.28
8 Not ascertained	264	3.01
9 Don't know	9	0.10

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AFD.470\_00.000: How depressed you felt last time you were depressed?

DEP_3R	Frequency	Percent
1 A little	1787	54.20
2 A lot	521	15.80
3 Somewhere in between a little and a lot	937	28.42
7 Refused	29	0.88
8 Not ascertained	1	0.03
9 Don't know	22	0.67

Frequency Missing = 5484

AFD.500\_00.000: Frequency of pain in past 3 months

PAIN_2	Frequency	Percent
1 Never	3663	41.72
2 Some days	3261	37.14
3 Most days	554	6.31
4 Every day	997	11.35
7 Refused	27	0.31
8 Not ascertained	266	3.03
9 Don't know	13	0.15

AFD.520\_00.000: How much pain you had last time you had pain?

PAIN_4	Frequency	Percent
1 A little	2374	48.93
2 A lot	930	19.17
3 Somewhere in between a little and a lot	1503	30.98
7 Refused	28	0.58
8 Not ascertained	3	0.06
9 Don't know	14	0.29

Frequency Missing = 3929

AFD.540\_00.000: How often felt very tired or exhausted in past 3 months

TIRED_1	Frequency	Percent
1 Never	3601	41.01
2 Some days	3910	44.53
3 Most days	619	7.05
4 Every day	344	3.92
7 Refused	26	0.30
8 Not ascertained	270	3.07
9 Don't know	11	0.13

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AFD.550\_00.000: How long most recent tired or exhausted feelings lasted?

TIRED_2	Frequency	Percent
1 Some of the day	3610	73.52
2 Most of the day	820	16.70
3 All of the day	434	8.84
7 Refused	27	0.55
8 Not ascertained	2	0.04
9 Don't know	17	0.35

Frequency Missing = 3871

AFD.560\_00.000: Level of tiredness last time felt very tired or exhausted

TIRED_3	Frequency	Percent
1 A little	2285	46.54
2 A lot	924	18.82
3 Somewhere in between a little and a lot	1648	33.56
7 Refused	26	0.53
8 Not ascertained	5	0.10
9 Don't know	22	0.45

Frequency Missing = 3871

AFD.000\_00.000: Record completion status

RCS_AFD	Frequency	Percent
1 Not ascertained answers only	230	2.62
2 Refused and don't know answers only	11	0.13
3 Refused, DK, and not ascertained answers only	0	0.00
4 At least one valid answer	8540	97.26