

----- NHIS LOG: DATA YEAR 1972 -----

Original release (did not include HEALTHIN):

The data files for calendar year 1972 were first made available on magnetic tape. Documentation was provided on paper.

NHIS FILE TYPE	FILE NAME	LENGTH	# RECS
HOUSEHOLD	HOUSEHLD	464	46,149
PERSON	PERSONSX	464	132,891
CONDITION	CONDITON	464	63,714
HOSPITAL	HOSPITAL	464	17,553
DOCTOR VISIT	DRVISITX	464	100,245

July, 2001 -- ASCII CD Release: Series 10 CD, No. 4H:

All previously-released data files and their associated documentation files were made available on CD.

November, 2006 -- Internet release

All previously-released data files and their associated documentation files were made available on the Internet.

December, 2009 -- Original Internet release of HEALTHIN:

NHIS FILE TYPE	FILE NAME	LENGTH	# RECS
HEALTH INSURANCE	HEALTHIN	522	132,891

NCHS recommends that data users verify the integrity of downloaded files by comparing the MD5 checksums of downloaded files to the reference values given below:

649926147C356ADA83810AD031071AAB	CONDITON.DAT
F67CF83ADA8E94DB2C1FCB29003B9BEA	DRVISITX.DAT
A2639EF2748129815026D187F56446F5	HEALTHIN.DAT
DBFA8D2AB63B32C4B43CFD4D3DDA1873	HOSPITAL.DAT
8755184796449B4216C4C470D230ACCE	HOUSEHLD.DAT
A64D167394D48F90393389362C5AFEB8	PERSONSX.DAT

For more information on MD5 checksums, please refer to the ftp site:

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

To obtain the Internet release of the 1972 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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