

----- NHIS LOG: DATA YEAR 1978 -----

Original release (did not include FAMEDEXP and IMMUNIZE):

The data files for calendar year 1978 were first made available on magnetic tape. Documentation was provided on paper.

NHIS FILE TYPE	FILE NAME	LENGTH	# RECS
HOUSEHOLD	HOUSEHLD	516	41,164
PERSON	PERSONSX	516	109,940
CONDITION	CONDITON	516	57,517
HOSPITAL	HOSPITAL	516	14,583
DOCTOR VISIT	DRVISITX	516	20,100
HEALTH INSURANCE	HEALTHIN	576	109,940
SMOKING	SMOKINGX	263	11,896

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

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

August, 2006 -- Internet release

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

November, 2009 -- Original Internet release of FAMEDEXP, IMMUNIZE:

NHIS FILE TYPE	FILE NAME	LENGTH	# RECS
FAMILY MED. EXPENSES	FAMEDEXP	670	27,253
IMMUNIZATION	IMMUNIZE	535	15,705

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:

2D46F484E669DF7FF9C8ECBA261CB3AA CONDITON.DAT
632200A49A83192C0EFF2E0C7E4B4CAE DRVISITX.DAT
FF011C94D554FF4B8E01C9C74B90AD3C FAMEDEXP.DAT
40B63B39AB0905E03422AD6C8238D4F0 HEALTHIN.DAT
BA98CD5C97ACB4455927427C7A44F3D3 HOSPITAL.DAT
E4737B2F89284B9C98E3CB264CC6BBA0 HOUSEHLD.DAT
871D59595D6345820A0F083BDB67BE64 IMMUNIZE.DAT
DFCDD730F9A359D0F2F001EB109D2916 PERSONSX.DAT
1516CFC27F84A84B31735A4461E691F0 SMOKINGX.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 1978 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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