

2020 NATIONAL HEALTH INTERVIEW SURVEY (NHIS)
PUBLIC USE summary report for the Paradata file (Version: 16 September 2021)
(Number of variables in this file: 121)

Front.FRT: Front

Question #	Variable Name	Source Variables	Description	Type	Location	Length
1	FRT.0100.00.1	TYPEABC	Type of noninterview	Num	1	1
2	FRT.0110.00.1	TYPEA	Reason for Type A	Num	2	1
3	FRT.0210.00.1	TYPEBOBS	Type B by observation	Num	3	1

General.IDN: Identifier

Question #	Variable Name	Source Variables	Description	Type	Location	Length
1		RECTYPE	Record type	Num	4 - 5	2
2		SRVY_YR	Year of the National Health Interview Survey	Num	6 - 9	4
3		HHX	Randomly assigned household number unique to a household	Char	10 - 16	7
4		OUTCOME1	Outcome code--restricted to 201, 203, Type A, select Type B codes	Num	17 - 19	3

General.UCF: Unit Control File

Question #	Variable Name	Source Variables	Description	Type	Location	Length
1		REGION	Household region	Num	20	1
2		PSTRAT	Pseudo-stratum for public-use file variance estimation	Num	21 - 23	3
3		PPSU	Pseudo-PSU for public-use file variance estimation	Num	24 - 26	3

General.CHI: Contact History Instrument

Question #	Variable Name	Source Variables	Description	Type	Location	Length
1		TOTCOUNT	Total count of CHI records for this case	Num	27 - 28	2
2		MODE_P	Number of personal visit attempts for this case	Num	29 - 30	2
3		MODE_T	Number of telephone attempts for this case	Num	31 - 32	2
4		CTSTAT1	Number of contacts with sample unit members	Num	33 - 34	2
5		CTSTAT2	Number of contacts with non-sample unit members	Num	35 - 36	2
6		CTSTAT3	Number of noncontacts	Num	37 - 38	2
7		UNABLE1R	Number of times "Eligible person not available" was entered	Num	39	1
8		UNABLE2R	Number of times "Inconvenient time" was entered	Num	40	1
9		UNABLE3R	Number of times "Respondent is reluctant" was entered	Num	41	1
10		UNABLE4R	Number of times "Language problem--specify" was entered	Num	42	1
11		UNABLE5R	Number of times "Health problem" was entered	Num	43	1

12		UNABL99R		Number of times "Other--specify" was entered	Num	44	1
13		LANG1R		Number of times "Specify language or dialect" was entered	Num	45	1
14		LANG2R		Number of times "No household member able to translate" was entered	Num	46	1
15		LANG3R		Number of times "Contact RO about language problem" was entered	Num	47	1
16		LANG4R		Number of times "Unable to find translator" was entered	Num	48	1
17		LANG5R		Number of times "No time left to find translator" was entered	Num	49	1
18		NCTP01R		Number of times "No one home/No eligible person home" was entered	Num	50	1
19		NCTPR03R		Number of times "No one home--previous note/letter taken" was entered	Num	51	1
20		NCTPR04R		Number of times "Household does not answer door--someone is home" entered	Num	52	1
21		NCTP05R		Number of times "Observed HH from vehicle" was entered	Num	53	1
22		NCTPR07R		Number of times "Unable to reach/locked gate/buzzer entry" was entered	Num	54	1
23		NCTPR08R		Number of times "Address does not exist/unable to locate" was entered	Num	55	1
24		NCTPR09R		Number of times "On vacation, away from home/at second home" was entered	Num	56	1
25		NCTPR10R		Number of times "Spoke with neighbor" was entered	Num	57	1
26		NCTPR11R		Number of times "Building management/doorman contact" was entered	Num	58	1
27		NCTP12R		Number of times "Completed case (Type B or C or Vacant interview)" entered	Num	59	1
28		NCTPR99R		Number of times "Other--specify" was entered	Num	60	1
29		NCTL01R		Number of times "Got answering machine" was entered	Num	61	1
30		NCTL02R		Number of times "Ring, no answer" was entered	Num	62	1
31		NCTEL03R		Number of times "Busy signal" was entered	Num	63	1
32		NCTEL04R		Number of times "Disconnected" was entered	Num	64	1
33		NCTEL05R		Number of times "Wrong number" was entered	Num	65	1
34		NCTL06R		Number of times "Spoke with ineligible person" was entered	Num	66	1
35		NCTL07R		Number of times "Respondent left message" was entered	Num	67	1
36		NCTEL99R		Number of times "Other-specify" was entered	Num	68	1
37		RELC01R		Number of times "Not interested" was entered	Num	69	1
38		RELUC02R		Number of times "Too busy" was entered	Num	70	1
39		RELUC03R		Number of times "Interview takes too much time" was entered	Num	71	1
40		RELUC05R		Number of times "Scheduling difficulties" was entered	Num	72	1

41		RELUC06R		Number of times "Survey is voluntary" was entered	Num	73	1
42		RELUC07R		Number of times "Privacy concerns" was entered	Num	74	1
43		RELC08R		Number of times "Local/State/Fed. Govt. concerns" was entered	Num	75	1
44		RELC09R		Number of times "Asks questions about the survey" was entered	Num	76	1
45		RELUC11R		Number of times "Hang-up/slams door on FR" was entered	Num	77	1
46		RELUC12R		Number of times "Hostile or threatens FR" was entered	Num	78	1
47		RELC15R		Number of times "Family Issues (death, illness, etc.)" entered	Num	79	1
48		RELUC98R		Number of times "No concerns" was entered	Num	80	1
49		RELUC99R		Number of times "Other-specify" was entered	Num	81	1
50		STRAT01R		Number of times "Advance letter given" was entered	Num	82	1
51		STRAT02R		Number of times "Scheduled appointment" was entered	Num	83	1
52		STRAT03R		Number of times "Left note/appointment card" was entered	Num	84	1
53		STRAT04R		Number of times "Left promotional packet/informational brochure" was entered	Num	85	1
54		STRAT05R		Number of times "Called household" was entered	Num	86	1
55		STRAT06R		Number of times "Left message on answering machine" was entered	Num	87	1
56		STRT11R		Number of times "Waited for respondent" was entered	Num	88	1
57		STRAT12R		Number of times "Checked with neighbors" was entered	Num	89	1
58		STRAT13R		Number of times "Contacted other family members" was entered	Num	90	1
59		STRT14R		Number of times "Contacted property manager/doorman" was entered	Num	91	1
60		STRAT98R		Number of times "No strategies" was entered	Num	92	1
61		STRAT99R		Number of times "Other--specify" was entered	Num	93	1
62		REASSIGN		Case reassignment to another interviewer (FR)	Num	94	1
63		SA_TOD		Time of day that the Sample Adult section was started	Num	95	1
64		SASTRPNT		Point in the interview period when the Sample Adult section was started	Num	96	1
65		SC_TOD		Time of day that the Sample Child section was started	Num	97	1
66		SCSTRPNT		Point in the interview period when the Sample Child section was started	Num	98	1

General.FLG: Flag

	Question #	Variable Name	Source Variables	Description	Type	Location	Length
1	GEN.0680.00.1	ONEFAM_FLG		All people in the household are in the same family	Num	99 - 103	1
2	Recode	QUALITY_SA		SA overall flag indicating the record is being removed for a quality reason	Num	104	1

3	Recode	QUALITY_SC		SC overall flag indicating the record is being removed for a quality reason	Num	105	1
4	GEN.0700.00.1	SARESPSC_FLG		Sample Adult is Sample Child respondent	Num	106 - 110	1

General.GEN: Miscellaneous

Question #	Variable Name	Source Variables	Description	Type	Location	Length	
1		INTV_QRT		Interview quarter	Num	111	1
2		INTV_MON		Interview month	Num	112 - 113	2
3		WTIA_PD		Paradata file weight	Num	114 - 121	8
4	Recode	FB_FLG		Flag to identify followback sample records	Num	122	1

Roster.HHC: Household Composition

Question #	Variable Name	Source Variables	Description	Type	Location	Length	
1		ENDPNT		Point in the interview period when the case was finished	Num	123	1
2		STRTPNT		Point in the interview period when the Household Composition section was started	Num	124	1
3		HHC_TOD		Time of day that the Household Composition section was started	Num	125	1

Adult.TEL: Telephone Use

Question #	Variable Name	Source Variables	Description	Type	Location	Length	
1	TEL.0010.00.1	TELCURWRK_A		House has non-cell phone	Num	126	1
2	TEL.0020.00.1	TELCEL_A		Cell phone	Num	127	1
3	TEL.0030.00.1	PHONELIVE_A		Cell phone in HH	Num	128	1
4	TEL.0040.00.1	PHONEUSE_A		Calls answered	Num	129	1

Adult.LNK: Linkage

Question #	Variable Name	Source Variables	Description	Type	Location	Length	
1	LNK.0060.00.1	RLINK_A		Link without SSN/Medicare Numbers	Num	130	1

Child.TEL: Telephone ownership

Question #	Variable Name	Source Variables	Description	Type	Location	Length	
1	TEL.0010.00.1	TELCURWRK_C		Landline phone	Num	131	1
2	TEL.0020.00.1	PHONELIVE_C		Working cell phone	Num	132	1

Child.LNK: Linkage

Question #	Variable Name	Source Variables	Description	Type	Location	Length	
1	LNK.0030.00.1	RLINK_C		Link without SSN	Num	133	1

Back.BCK: Back

	Question #	Variable Name	Source Variables	Description	Type	Location	Length
1	BCK.0070.00.1	INTLANGSA		Language of SA Interview	Num	134	1
2	BCK.0090.00.1	INTRPTSA		Interpreter used in Adult interview	Num	135	1
3	BCK.0100.00.1	OTHERSSA		Other people present during Sample Adult interview	Num	136	1
4	BCK.0110.00.1	INTLANGSC		Language of SC Interview	Num	137	1
5	BCK.0140.00.1	OTHERSSC		Other people present during Sample Child interview	Num	138	1
6	BCK.0150.00.1	INTMODESA		Sample Adult section primarily conducted by phone	Num	139	1
7	BCK.0160.00.1	INTMODEWHYSA		Main reason primarily conducted by phone	Num	140 - 141	1
8	BCK.0170.00.1	INTMODESC		Sample Child section primarily conducted by phone	Num	142	1
9	BCK.0180.00.1	INTMODEWHYSC		Main reason primarily conducted by phone	Num	143 - 144	1
10	BCK.0240.00.1	PARWHY		Reason interview not complete	Num	145	1
11	BCK.0270.00.1	BRKREASON		Main reason respondent terminated interview	Num	146 - 147	1
12		BRKHHC		Break off in household section	Num	148 - 152	1
13		BRKSA		Break off in Sample Adult section	Num	153 - 157	1
14		BRKSC		Break off in Sample Child section	Num	158 - 162	1
15		NCOMHHC		Household section not complete	Num	163 - 167	1
16		NCOMSA		Sample Adult section not complete	Num	168 - 172	1
17		NCOMSC		Sample child section not complete	Num	173 - 177	1
18	Recode	LOCATION01	LOCATION	Location of interview - Inside respondent's home	Num	178	1
19	Recode	LOCATION02	LOCATION	Location of interview - Immediately outside respondent's home	Num	179	1
20	Recode	LOCATION03	LOCATION	Location of interview - Over the telephone	Num	180	1
21	Recode	LOCATION04	LOCATION	Location of interview - Inside interviewer's/respondent's car	Num	181	1
22	Recode	LOCATION05	LOCATION	Location of interview - At respondent's place of work	Num	182	1
23	Recode	LOCATION06	LOCATION	Location of interview - Common area of apartment	Num	183	1
24	Recode	LOCATION07	LOCATION	Location of interview - Public area	Num	184	1
25	Recode	LOCATION08	LOCATION	Location of interview - In a home of a neighbor, friend, or relative	Num	185	1
26	Recode	LOCATION09	LOCATION	Location of interview - Other location	Num	186	1