

----- NHIS LOG: DATA YEAR 1998 -----

July 7, 2000 -- 1998 Provisional Release

All twelve files (complete or partial versions) were released:  
Family (FAMILYXX), Household (HOUSEHLD), Immunization (IMMUNIZE), Injury Episode (INJEPSOD), Injury Verbatim (INJVERBT), Person (PERSONSX), Poison Episode (POIEPSOD), Pregnancy and Smoking (PREGSMKG), Prevention Adult (PREVADLT), Prevention Child (PREVCHLD), Sample Adult (SAMADULT), Sample Child (SAMCHILD)

Each file that is released is made up four parts:  
Data - Compressed ASCII format (.EXE)  
File Layout - PDF format (.PDF)  
SAS Program Sample - ASCII format (.SAS)  
SPSS Program Sample - ASCII format (.SPS)

This year's release also includes other documentation:  
Survey Description - PDF format (SRVYDESC.PDF)  
Questionnaires - PDF format (Q... .PDF)  
Interview Flashcards - PDF format (FLASHCRD.PDF)  
Interviewer manual - PDF format (FRMANUAL.PDF)  
Data access instructions - ASCII format (README.TXT)

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November 3, 2000 -- 1998 Official Release - DATA CHANGE

Family file was modified to include FHI summary variables  
Person file was modified to include FHI section and FMRPFLG variable  
Sample Adult file was modified to include AHS section, ACOLD2W and AINTIL2W variables, and to update JNT1JLN, JNT1JLT, and JNT1JLM variables  
Sample Child file was modified to include variables CCOLD2W and CINTIL2W  
Survey Description document (SRVYDESC.PDF) was modified

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January 27, 2001 -- Revisions of two 1998 Files - DATA CHANGE

The Sample Adult and the Prevention Sample Adult files were modified to correct values for variable SMKQTY

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April 6, 2001 - Revisions of Sample Adult File - DATA CHANGE

The Sample Adult file was modified to correct values for four AHB variables: AHEIGHT, AWEIGHTP, DESIREWT, and BMI

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May 31, 2001 -- Release of 1998 NHIS Files on CD

The same files that are currently on the Internet (except for the Sample Adult file) were released in compact disk (CD) format. To order the CD, please call 301-458-4636, or send an E-mail to nchsquery@cdc.gov, and ask for:

1998 NHIS CD, Series 10, number 13A (ASCII version)

(CD was reissued December 2001; this version also does not contain the current Sample Adult file.)

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November 22, 2002 -- Release of Large MSA Identification  
(DATA ADDITION TO INTERNET RELEASE,  
NOT ADDED TO ASCII CD)

A file is now provided that allows users of the 1998 NHIS to identify which NHIS households are located in Metropolitan Statistical Areas (MSAs) that have a population of 1,000,000 or larger.

See data file and documentation at:

[ftp://ftp.cdc.gov/pub/Health\\_Statistics/NCHS/MSA/NHIS/1998/](ftp://ftp.cdc.gov/pub/Health_Statistics/NCHS/MSA/NHIS/1998/)

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July 31, 2003 -- Update of Large MSA Identification Files  
(DATA CHANGE TO INTERNET RELEASE,  
NOT AVAILABLE ON ASCII CD)

The data file MSA98.TXT was updated to include CMSA information for additional households. See files at:

[ftp://ftp.cdc.gov/pub/Health\\_Statistics/NCHS/MSA/NHIS/1998/](ftp://ftp.cdc.gov/pub/Health_Statistics/NCHS/MSA/NHIS/1998/)

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March 9, 2004 -- Imputed Income Linkage Files and Documentation  
(DATA ADDITION TO INTERNET RELEASE,  
NOT ADDED TO ASCII CD)

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:

<http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/nhis/1998imputedincome.htm>

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September 1, 2010 -- Supplemental Imputed Income Files

The 1998 Supplemental Imputed Income files contain five data files of imputed family income and personal earnings with dollar amounts top-coded to the 95th percentile. The file layout with frequency counts for selected variables and sample input SAS code can be obtained from the NHIS Web site via the Supplemental Imputed Income Files link under the survey year 1998 on the 1997-present NHIS data page:

<http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/nhis/1998supplementalimputedincome.htm>

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To obtain the Internet release of the 1998 NHIS data, visit the NHIS home page:

<http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/nhis.htm>

and click on:

Questionnaires, Data Sets and Related Documentation

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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](http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/nhis/nhis_listserv.htm)

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