

July 29, 2005 -- Internet Data Release

Five files were released:

- Family (FAMILYXX)
- Household (HOUSEHLD)
- Person (PERSONSX)
- Sample Adult (SAMADULT)
- Sample Child (SAMCHILD)

Three additional files will be released at a later time:

- Injury/Poison Episode (INJPOIEP)
- Injury/Poison Verbatim (INJVERBT)
- Imputed Income

Each file that is released is made up seven parts:

- Data - Compressed ASCII format (.EXE-->.DAT)
- File Summary - PDF format (_SUMMARY.PDF)
- File Layout - PDF format (_LAYOUT.PDF)
- File Frequency Report - PDF format (_FREQ.PDF)
- SAS Program Sample - ASCII format (.SAS)
- SPSS Program Sample - ASCII format (.SPS)
- STATA Program Sample - ASCII format (.DO)

The Sample Adult file has additional documentation describing Industry/Occupation Coding which were originally released as:

- 1997 NAICS Detailed Industry Code List.pdf
- 1997 NAICS Sectors.pdf
- 2000 SOC Detailed Occupation Code List.pdf
- 2000 SOC Major Groups.pdf

This year's release also includes other documentation:

- Survey Description - PDF format (SRVYDESC.PDF)
- Questionnaires (English) - PDF format (QPDF)
- Questionnaires (Spanish) - PDF format (QS... .PDF)
- Questionnaire Guide - PDF format (QREFGUIDE.pdf)
- Interview Flashcards - PDF format (FLASHCRD.PDF)
- Interviewer Manual - PDF format (FRMANUAL.PDF)
- Interview Flow Chart - PDF format (NHISFLOW.PDF)
- Data Access Instructions - ASCII format (README.TXT)
- Race/Ethnicity Information - HTML format (.HTM)
- Log of release dates - ASCII format (HIS04LOG.TXT)
- Co-Sponsor Information - HTML format (.HTM)

The 2004 NHIS will not be made available on ASCII CD.

August 24, 2005 -- Modified Family Questionnaire

The English and Spanish versions of the 2004 Family Questionnaire were modified to include variable FINCCAT (FIN.270) which was accidentally omitted in the July release of these documents. Only the questionnaire documents have been modified. The original release of the Family data file and other Family file documentation correctly included variables INCGRP and RAT_CAT, which are recoded variables that are based on source variable FINCCAT. The corrected questionnaires are located at:

ftp://ftp.cdc.gov/pub/Health_Statistics/NCHS/Survey_Questionnaires/NHIS/2004/english/QFAMILY.pdf
ftp://ftp.cdc.gov/pub/Health_Statistics/NCHS/Survey_Questionnaires/NHIS/2004/spanish/QSFAMILY.pdf

January 12, 2006 -- Corrected Typo in Survey Description Document

On page 6, an incorrect reference to the Sample Adult Core was corrected to the Sample Child Core. The 2004 Survey Description Document is stored at:

<http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/data/nhis/srvydesc.pdf>

January 27, 2006 -- Imputed Income Linkage Files and Documentation
(DATA ADDITION TO INTERNET RELEASE)

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 which can be reached from:

http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/about/major/nhis/quest_data_related_doc.htm

March 13, 2006 -- Injury Poison Episode and Verbatim Data Files and Documentation
(DATA ADDITION TO INTERNET RELEASE)

Injury Poison Episode files and Injury Poison Episode Verbatim files were released. The files can be obtained from the NHIS Web site directly at the 2004 release page:

http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/about/major/nhis/nhis_2004_data_release.htm

July 14, 2006 -- Modified Industry and Occupation Documentation

The Industry and Occupation documents for the 2004 Sample Adult file were modified as followed:

Two documents were removed:

1997_NAICS_Detailed_Industry_Code_List.pdf
2000_SOC_Detailed_Occupation_Code_List.pdf

Two documents were renamed as follows:

1997_NAICS_Sectors.pdf was renamed to NAICS_Sectors04.pdf
2000_SOC_Major_Groups.pdf was renamed to SOC_Major_Groups04.pdf

These documents are located at the following site:

ftp://ftp.cdc.gov/pub/Health_Statistics/NCHS/Program_Code/NHIS/2004/sampleadult/doc/

September 1, 2010 -- Supplemental Imputed Income Files

The 2004 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 on the 1997-present NHIS data page which can be reached from:

http://www.cdc.gov/NCHS/nhis/nhis_2004_data_release.htm

February 10, 2011 -- Corrections in the 2004 Sample Adult file Layout

The incorrect Universe Descriptions in the 2004 Sample Adult file layout for the following variables were corrected in the revised layout document dated January 21, 2011.

ALTIME20, ALUNIT20, ALDURA20, ALDURB20, ALCHRC20, ALTIME22, ALUNIT22, ALDURA22, ALDURB22, ALCHRC22, ALTIME23, ALUNIT23, ALDURA23, ALDURB23, ALCHRC23, ALTIME24, ALUNIT24, ALDURA24, ALDURB24, ALCHRC24, ALTIME25, ALUNIT25, ALDURA25, ALDURB25, ALCHRC25, ALTIME26, ALUNIT26, ALDURA26, ALDURB26, ALCHRC26, ALTIME27, ALUNIT27, ALDURA27, ALDURB27, ALCHRC27, ALTIME28, ALUNIT28, ALDURA28, ALDURB28, ALCHRC28, ALTIME29, ALUNIT29, ALDURA29, ALDURB29, ALCHRC29, ALTIME30, ALUNIT30, ALDURA30, ALDURB30, ALCHRC30, ALTIME31, ALUNIT31, ALDURA31, ALDURB31, ALCHRC31, ALTIME32, ALUNIT32, ALDURA32, ALDURB32, ALCHRC32, ALTIME33, ALUNIT33, ALDURA33, ALDURB33, ALCHRC33, ALTIME34, ALUNIT34, ALDURA34, ALDURB34, ALCHRC34.

http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/nhis/nhis_2004_data_release.htm

November 15, 2012 -- Release of 2004-2010 Sample Child Birth Weight Mini-files

Some discrepancies were identified in birth weight data after the major re-engineering effort of the 2004 NHIS instrument and data production processes. From 2004-2010, discrepancies were found among children with very low birth weights of less than 500 grams and among children with very large birth weights of 10 pounds or more. NHIS has determined that the causes of the discrepancies were processing errors which have been corrected. Relatively few cases (about 2% each year) were affected.

NHIS has released Sample Child Birth Weight Mini-files with revised birth weight data for 2004-2010. The new variables (TOTOZ_P and BWTGRM_P) on the mini-files contain the corrected Sample Child birth weight data and should replace the birth weight variables on the original 2004-2010 Sample Child files. The new 2004 Sample Child Birth Weight Mini-files are available on the NHIS website, http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/nhis/2004_birth_weight.htm.

To obtain the Internet release of the 2004 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/about/major/nhis/nhislist.htm>

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