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----- NHIS LOG: DATA YEAR 2013 -----
June 30, 2014 -- Internet Data Release
Nine files were released:
Family (FAMILYXX)
Family Disability Questions (FMLYDISB)
Functioning and Disability (FUNCDISB)
Household (HOUSEHLD)
Injury and Poison Episode (INJPOIEP)
Person (PERSONSX)
Sample Adult (SAMADULT)
Sample Child (SAMCHILD)
Paradata (PARADATA)
Each file that is released is made up seven parts:
Data - Compressed ASCII format (.ZIP-->.DAT)
File Variable Summary - PDF format (_SUMMARY.PDF)
File Layout (Codebook) - 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:
NAICS_Sectors_and_Subsectors.pdf
SOC Major Groups.pdf
This year's release also includes other documentation:
Survey Description - PDF format (SRVYDESC.PDF)
Questionnaires (English) - PDF format (Q ... .PDF)
Questionnaires (Spanish) - PDF format (QS... .PDF)
Questionnaire Guide - PDF format (QREFGUIDE.PDF)
Interview Flashcards (Eng.) - PDF format (FLASHCRD.PDF)
Interview Flashcards (Span.) - PDF format (FLASHCRS.PDF)
Interviewer Manual - PDF format (FRMANUAL.PDF)
Interview Flow Chart - PDF format (NHISFLOW.PDF)
Data Access Instructions - PDF format (README.PDF)
Log of release dates - PDF format (HIS13LOG.PDF)
Co-Sponsor Information - HTML format (.HTM)
The Paradata file has additional documentation describing the data file:
Survey Description - Paradata - PDF format (SRVYDESC_PARADATA.pdf)
The Disability Questions files have additional documentation
describing the data file:
Survey Description - Disbtest - PDF format (SRVYDESC_DISBTEST.pdf)
The Functioning and Disability file, has additional documentation
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describing the data file:

Survey Description - Funcdisb - PDF format (SRVYDESC_FUNCDISB.pdf)

The 2013 NHIS will not be made available on ASCII CD.

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

059D6F71C8762E873144DB88EAE20B23 FAMILYXX.DAT
33A37E821580A64B9E8C30023D6AD5EE FMLYDISB.DAT
A25DFC7A30C811FBDB7E1143764E1EB3 FUNCDISB.DAT
E53B3D6C00C48E3A5FD53C2D7C4A43EF HOUSEHLD.DAT
ACC682B9B500B41AA0A14E8D41A6C374 INJPOIEP.DAT
7DC5FC4C2EDFF6098B2A0934A874261D PARADATA.DAT
315C15E6FAA02C10519508F63A304E85 PERSONSX.DAT
BE4ECFAA8C8626D56E9AA08985BA1463 SAMADULT.DAT
58FD9EBD2FDFE9C792385E2E5B9C599C SAMCHILD.DAT

For more information on MD5 checksums, please refer to the NHIS micro-data reference information document, located at:

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

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The Sample Adult file has additional documentation describing sexual orientation survey questions methodology:

http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/data/nhis/qualityso2013508.pdf

August 12, 2014 -- Imputed Income Linkage Files and Documentation

(DATA ADDITION TO INTERNET RELEASE)

Data files containing imputed family income and personal earnings figures with dollar amounts top-coded to the 95th percentile were released. The imputed values, file layout, frequency counts for selected variables, technical documentation (including examples of analyses), and sample input SAS and Stata code 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/nhis/nhis_2013_data_release.htm

October 1, 2014

The variables PCPREQ1 and PCPREQ2 in the person public use file were incorrect. Values for these variables were inadvertently made missing. The file has been corrected.

http://www.cdc.gov/NCHS/nhis/nhis_2013_data_release.htm

To obtain the Internet release of the 2013 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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