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The Survey Health Status and Functioning file includes data about the sample person's health including height and weight, self-assessments of vision and hearing, history of medical conditions, functioning, among others.

From 1991 through 1996, this file contained one record for each person who completed an interview whether in the community or facility. This changed in 1997 when the facility instrument was converted to a Computer-Assisted Personal Interviewing format. Since then, this file contains data from community interviews only; RIC 2F contains similar data from facility interviews.

RIC	1	2					C Record Identification Code
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BASEID	4	8	\$BSIDFMT				C Unique SP Identification Number
				16,670			LOW-HIGH BASEID Count
GENHELTH	12	2	GENHFMT		HS1		N General hlth compare to others same age
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				32			-8 Don't know
				4			-7 Refused
				2,335			1 Excellent
				4,254			2 Very Good
				5,282			3 Good
				3,280			4 Fair
				1,482			5 Poor
COMPHLTH	14	2	COMPFMT		HS1a		N Health compared to one year ago
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				12			-8 Don't know
				3			-7 Refused
				647			1 Much better
				1,904			2 Somewhat better
				10,318			3 About the same
				3,196			4 Somewhat worse
				589			5 Much worse
NOTE: First available in 1996							
HELMTACT	16	2	TIMEFMT		HS2		N Hlth limits social activity in past mo
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				19			-8 Don't know
				3			-7 Refused
				10,525			1 None of the time
				3,466			2 Some of the time
				1,627			3 Most of the time
				1,029			4 All of the time
ECHELP	18	2	BLNDFMT		HS3		N SP wear eyeglasses/contact lenses
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				1			-8 Don't know
				2			-7 Refused
				14,502			1 Yes
				2,046			2 No
				118			3 Blind

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ECTROUB	20	2	LOOKFMT		HS4		N Description of SP vision
				122			. Inapplicable
				33			-8 Don't know
				10,000			1 No trouble
				5,054			2 Little trouble
				1,461			3 Lot of trouble
NOTE: Applies only if ECHELP = 1 or 2							
EYEEEXAM	22	2	YES1FMT		HS4a		N SP had eye exam within past yr
				118			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				105			-8 Don't know
				3			-7 Refused
				9,606			1 Yes
				6,837			2 No
NOTES: Applies only if ECHELP = 1 or 2 First available in 1996							
LASTEXAM	24	2	LASTFMT		HS4b		N How long since last eye exam
				9,833			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				139			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				169			1 Never had an eye exam
				2,865			2 1 year to less than 2 years
				2,443			3 2 years to less than 5 years
				1,219			4 5 years or more
NOTES: Applies only if EYEEEXAM = 2 First available in 1996							
ECCATOP	26	2	YES1FMT		HS5		N SP Ever had operation for cataracts
				106			. Inapplicable
				21			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				3,850			1 Yes
				12,692			2 No
NOTE: Applies to SPs in new panels who are not blind							
HCHELP	28	2	DEAFFMT		HS6		N Does SP use hearing aid
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				1			-8 Don't know
				2			-7 Refused
				1,668			1 Yes
				14,967			2 No
				31			3 Deaf

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HCTROUB	30	2	LOOKFMT		HS7		N Description of SP hearing
				35			. Inapplicable
				10			-8 Don't know
				2			-7 Refused
				9,849			1 No trouble
				5,520			2 Little trouble
				1,254			3 Lot of trouble
NOTE: Applies only if HCHELP = 1 or 2							
DCTROUB	32	2	YES2FMT		HS8		N Diff eating solid foods b/c teeth prob
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				7			-8 Don't know
				3			-7 Refused
				2,058			1 Yes
				14,601			2 No
HEIGHTFT	34	2	HEITFMT		HS9		N Height of SP--feet
				27			-8 Don't know
				2			-7 Refused
				16,641			3-7 Height in feet
HEIGHTIN	36	2	INCHFMT		HS9		N Height of SP--inches
				71			-8 Don't know
				2			-7 Refused
				16,597			0-11 Inch portion of height
WEIGHT	38	3	WEITFMT		HS10		N Weight of SP in pounds
				108			-8 Don't know
				61			-7 Refused
				3			0-50 0-50 Pounds
				428			51-100 51-100 Pounds
				6,350			101-150 101-150 Pounds
				7,423			151-200 151-200 Pounds
				1,910			201-250 201-250 Pounds
				313			251-300 251-300 Pounds
				57			301-350 301-350 Pounds
				14			351-400 351-400 Pounds
				3			401-999 Over 400 Pounds
MAMMOGRM	41	2	YES1FMT		HS11		N Had mammogram/breast X-ray since last yr
				7,429			. Inapplicable
				78			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				4,457			1 Yes
				4,705			2 No

NOTE: Inapplicable if SP is male

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PAPSMEAR	43	2	YES1FMT		HS12		N SP had Pap smear since last year
				7,429			. Inapplicable
				101			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				3,221			1 Yes
				5,918			2 No
NOTE: Inapplicable if SP is male							
HYSTEREC	45	2	YES1FMT		HS13		N SP ever had hysterectomy
				11,002			. Inapplicable
				27			-8 Don't know
				2			-7 Refused
				2,513			1 Yes
				3,126			2 No
NOTE: Applies to females in supplemental sample or where PAPNHYST = 2							
DIGTEXAM	47	2	YES1FMT		HS13a		N SP had digital rectal prostate exam
				9,241			. Inapplicable
				2			-9 Not ascertained
				129			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				3,582			1 Yes
				3,715			2 No
NOTES: Inapplicable if SP is female First available in 1998							
BLOODTST	49	2	YES1FMT		HS13b		N SP had blood test for prostate cancer
				9,241			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				377			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				4,012			1 Yes
				3,038			2 No
NOTES: Inapplicable if SP is female First available in 1998							
PROSRMVD	51	2	YES1FMT		HS13c		N Has the prostate gland been removed?
				9,241			. Inapplicable
				312			1 Yes
				7,117			2 No
NOTES: Inapplicable if SP is female First available in 1999							
FLUSHOT	53	2	YES2FMT		HS14		N SP have flu shot for last winter
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				109			-8 Don't know
				3			-7 Refused
				10,969			1 Yes
				5,588			2 No

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NOTES: Applies only if FLUSHOT = 2
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FLUDOCNO	65	2	YES1FMT	HS14a			N No flu shot b/c Dr didnt recommend it
				11,082			. Inapplicable
				37			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				306			1 Yes
				5,244			2 No
				NOTES: Applies only if FLUSHOT = 2			
				First available in 1996			
FLUAGNST	67	2	YES1FMT	HS14a			N No flu shot b/c Dr against/allergic to
				11,082			. Inapplicable
				37			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				294			1 Yes
				5,256			2 No
				NOTES: Applies only if FLUSHOT = 2			
				First available in 1996			
FLUREACT	69	2	YES1FMT	HS14a			N No flu shot b/c dont like shots/needles
				11,082			. Inapplicable
				37			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				343			1 Yes
				5,207			2 No
				NOTES: Applies only if FLUSHOT = 2			
				First available in 1996			
FLULOCAT	71	2	YES1FMT	HS14a			N No flu shot b/c unable get to location
				11,082			. Inapplicable
				37			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				142			1 Yes
				5,408			2 No
				NOTES: Applies only if FLUSHOT = 2			
				First available in 1996			
FLUMISS	73	2	YES1FMT	HS14a			N No flu shot b/c missed, forgot, etc.
				11,082			. Inapplicable
				37			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				637			1 Yes
				4,913			2 No
				NOTES: Applies only if FLUSHOT = 2			
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FLUCOST	75	2	YES1FMT	HS14a			N No flu shot b/c shot not worth cost
				11,082			. Inapplicable
				37			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				29			1 Yes
				5,521			2 No
				NOTES: Applies only if FLUSHOT = 2			
				First available in 1996			
FLUBEFOR	77	2	YES1FMT	HS14a			N No flu shot b/c had before/no need again
				11,082			. Inapplicable
				37			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				46			1 Yes
				5,504			2 No
				NOTES: Applies only if FLUSHOT = 2			
				First available in 1996			
FLUOTHER	79	2	YES1FMT	HS14a			N No flu shot b/c other reason
				11,082			. Inapplicable
				37			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				287			1 Yes
				5,263			2 No
				NOTES: Applies only if FLUSHOT = 2			
				First available in 1996			
PNEUSHOT	81	2	YES2FMT	HS15			N SP ever have shot for pneumonia?
				199			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				9,798			1 Yes
				6,672			2 No
PNUNEEED	83	2	YES1FMT	HS15a			N No pneu shot b/c didn't know was needed
				9,998			. Inapplicable
				34			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				3,743			1 Yes
				2,894			2 No
				NOTES: Applies only if PNEUSHOT = 2			
				First available in 1996			
PNUCAUSE	85	2	YES1FMT	HS15a			N No pneu shot b/c could cause pneumonia
				9,998			. Inapplicable
				34			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				370			1 Yes
				6,267			2 No
				NOTES: Applies only if PNEUSHOT = 2			
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PNUREACT	97	2	YES1FMT		HS15a		N No pneu shot b/c don't like shots/needle
				9,998			. Inapplicable
				34			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				269			1 Yes
				6,368			2 No
NOTES: Applies only if PNEUSHOT = 2 First available in 1996							
PNULOCAT	99	2	YES1FMT		HS15a		N No pneu shot b/c unable get to location
				9,998			. Inapplicable
				34			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				59			1 Yes
				6,578			2 No
NOTES: Applies only if PNEUSHOT = 2 First available in 1996							
PNUMISS	101	2	YES1FMT		HS15a		N No pneu shot b/c missed, forgot, etc.
				9,998			. Inapplicable
				34			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				522			1 Yes
				6,115			2 No
NOTES: Applies only if PNEUSHOT = 2 First available in 1996							
PNUCOST	103	2	YES1FMT		HS15a		N No pneu shot b/c shot not worth cost
				9,998			. Inapplicable
				34			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				17			1 Yes
				6,620			2 No
NOTES: Applies only if PNEUSHOT = 2 First available in 1996							
PNUOTHER	105	2	YES1FMT		HS15a		N No pneu shot b/c other reason
				9,998			. Inapplicable
				34			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				270			1 Yes
				6,367			2 No
NOTES: Applies only if PNEUSHOT = 2 First available in 1996							
EVERSMOK	107	2	YES2FMT		HS16		N SP ever smoked cigarettes/cigars/tobacco
				4			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				9,890			1 Yes
				6,775			2 No

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SMOKNOW	109	2	YES1FMT		HS17		N Does SP smoke now?
				6,780			. Inapplicable
				6			-8 Don't know
				2,480			1 Yes
				7,404			2 No
NOTE: Inapplicable if EVERSMOK = 2							
DIFSTOOP	111	2	DIFICULT		HS18		N Difficulty stooping/crouching/kneeling
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				11			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				4,765			1 No difficulty
				3,683			2 Little difficulty
				3,102			3 Some difficulty
				3,096			4 Lot of difficulty
				2,011			5 Unable to do it
DIFLIFT	113	2	DIFICULT		HS19		N Difficulty lifting/carrying 10 pounds
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				19			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				9,879			1 No difficulty
				2,102			2 Little difficulty
				1,647			3 Some difficulty
				1,405			4 Lot of difficulty
				1,616			5 Unable to do it
DIFREACH	115	2	DIFICULT		HS20		N Difficulty extending arms above shoulder
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				17			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				11,668			1 No difficulty
				1,958			2 Little difficulty
				1,469			3 Some difficulty
				954			4 Lot of difficulty
				602			5 Unable to do it
DIFWRITE	117	2	DIFICULT		HS21		N Difficulty writing/handling object
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				10			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				11,843			1 No difficulty
				2,207			2 Little difficulty
				1,444			3 Some difficulty
				905			4 Lot of difficulty
				259			5 Unable to do it

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DIFWALK	119	2	DIFICULT		HS22		N Difficulty walking 1/4 mile or 2-3 blocks
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				31			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				8,471			1 No difficulty
				1,896			2 Little difficulty
				1,693			3 Some difficulty
				1,733			4 Lot of difficulty
				2,844			5 Unable to do it
OCARTERY	121	2	YES2FMT		HS23a		N Ever told had hardening of arteries
				42			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				1,773			1 Yes
				14,854			2 No
OCHBP	123	2	YES2FMT		HS23b		N Ever told had hypertension/hi blood pres
				11			-8 Don't know
				2			-7 Refused
				9,125			1 Yes
				7,532			2 No
OCMYOCAR	125	2	YES2FMT		HS23c		N Ever told had myocard infarct/hrt attack
				14			-8 Don't know
				2			-7 Refused
				2,364			1 Yes
				14,290			2 No
OCCHD	127	2	YES2FMT		HS23d		N Ever told had angina pectoris/
				32			-8 Don't know
				2			-7 Refused
				2,230			1 Yes
				14,406			2 No
OCOTHART	129	2	YES2FMT		HS23e		N Ever told had other heart conditions
				32			-8 Don't know
				2			-7 Refused
				4,551			1 Yes
				12,085			2 No
OCSTROKE	131	2	YES2FMT		HS23f		N Ever told had stroke/brain hemorrhage
				8			-8 Don't know
				2			-7 Refused
				1,808			1 Yes
				14,852			2 No
OCCSKIN	133	2	YES2FMT		HS23g		N Ever told had skin cancer
				7			-8 Don't know
				2			-7 Refused
				2,711			1 Yes
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OCCBLAD	147	2	YES1FMT		HS23i		N Body part w/cancer--bladder
				13,836			. Inapplicable
				3			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				137			1 Yes
				2,693			2 No
				NOTE: Applies only if OCCANCER = 1			
OCCOVARY	149	2	YES1FMT		HS23i		N Body part w/cancer--ovary
				13,836			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				3			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				122			1 Yes
				2,707			2 No
				NOTE: Applies only if OCCANCER = 1			
OCCSTOM	151	2	YES1FMT		HS23i		N Body part w/cancer--stomach
				13,836			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				3			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				83			1 Yes
				2,746			2 No
				NOTE: Applies only if OCCANCER = 1			
OCCCERVX	153	2	YES1FMT		HS23i		N Body part w/cancer--cervix
				13,836			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				3			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				84			1 Yes
				2,745			2 No
				NOTE: Applies only if OCCANCER = 1			
OCCCKIDNY	155	2	YES1FMT		HS23i		N Body part w/cancer--kidney
				13,836			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				3			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				74			1 Yes
				2,755			2 No
				NOTE: Applies only if OCCANCER = 1			

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OCCOTHER	167	2	YES1FMT	HS23i			N Body part w/cancer--other
				13,836			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				3			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				462			1 Yes
				2,367			2 No
				NOTE: Applies only if OCCANCER = 1			
OCDIABTS	169	2	YES2FMT	HS23j			N Ever told had diabetes/hi blood sugar
				1			-8 Don't know
				2			-7 Refused
				2,827			1 Yes
				13,840			2 No
OCARTHRH	171	2	YES2FMT	HS23k			N Ever told had rheumatoid arthritis
				33			-8 Don't know
				3			-7 Refused
				1,674			1 Yes
				14,960			2 No
OCARTH	173	2	YES2FMT	HS23l			N Ever told had non-rheumatoid arthritis
				29			-8 Don't know
				2			-7 Refused
				8,941			1 Yes
				7,698			2 No
OCAARM	175	2	YES1FMT	HS23m			N Body part w/arthritis-arm/hand/shoulder
				7,729			. Inapplicable
				1			-8 Don't know
				4,526			1 Yes
				4,414			2 No
				NOTE: Applies only if OCARTH = 1			
OCAFEET	177	2	YES1FMT	HS23m			N Body part w/arthritis-hip/knee/feet/leg
				7,729			. Inapplicable
				1			-8 Don't know
				4,743			1 Yes
				4,197			2 No
				NOTE: Applies only if OCARTH = 1			
OCABACK	179	2	YES1FMT	HS23m			N Body part w/had arthritis-back
				7,729			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				1			-8 Don't know
				2,452			1 Yes
				6,487			2 No
				NOTE: Applies only if OCARTH = 1			

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OCANECK	181	2	YES1FMT		HS23m		N Body part w/arthritis-neck
				7,729			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				1			-8 Don't know
				878			1 Yes
				8,061			2 No
NOTE: Applies only if OCARTH = 1							
OCAALOVR	183	2	YES1FMT		HS23m		N Body part w/arthritis-all over/joints
				7,729			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				1			-8 Don't know
				1,482			1 Yes
				7,457			2 No
NOTE: Applies only if OCARTH = 1							
OCAOTHER	185	2	YES1FMT		HS23m		N Body part w/arthritis-other
				7,729			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				1			-8 Don't know
				47			1 Yes
				8,892			2 No
NOTE: Applies only if OCARTH = 1							
OCMENTAL	187	2	YES2FMT		HS23n		N Ever told had mental retardation
				10			. Missing
				13			-8 Don't know
				3			-7 Refused
				386			1 Yes
				16,258			2 No
OCALZHMR	189	2	YES2FMT		HS23o		N Ever told had Alzheimer's/dementia
				9			-8 Don't know
				2			-7 Refused
				380			1 Yes
				16,279			2 No
OCPSYCH	191	2	YES2FMT		HS23p		N Ever told had mental/psychiatric disord
				10			-8 Don't know
				2			-7 Refused
				1,459			1 Yes
				15,199			2 No
OCOSTEOP	193	2	YES2FMT		HS23q		N Ever told had osteoporosis/soft bones
				20			-8 Don't know
				2			-7 Refused
				2,179			1 Yes
				14,469			2 No

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OCBRKHIP	195	2	YES2FMT		HS23r		N Ever told had broken hip
				1			-8 Don't know
				2			-7 Refused
				664			1 Yes
				16,003			2 No
OCPARKIN	197	2	YES2FMT		HS23s		N Ever told had Parkinson's disease
				3			-8 Don't know
				2			-7 Refused
				198			1 Yes
				16,467			2 No
OCEMPHYS	199	2	YES2FMT		HS23t		N Ever told had emphysema/asthma/COPD
				9			-8 Don't know
				2			-7 Refused
				2,430			1 Yes
				14,229			2 No
OCPPARAL	201	2	YES2FMT		HS23u		N Ever told had complete/partial paralysis
				2			-8 Don't know
				2			-7 Refused
				835			1 Yes
				15,831			2 No
OCAMPUTE	203	2	YES2FMT		HS23v		N Ever lost an arm or leg
				195			1 Yes
				16,475			2 No
HAVEPROS	205	2	YES1FMT		HS23w		N SP ever been told: Enlarged prostate/BPH
				9,242			. Inapplicable
				54			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				1,465			1 Yes
				5,908			2 No

NOTES: Inapplicable if SP is female
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EMCAUSC1	207	2	CAUSFMT		HS25		N 1st cause of Medicare eligibility
				970			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				13			-8 Don't know
				4			-7 Refused
				239			1 Back/spine/disc
				66			2 Severe eyesight loss
				25			3 Severe hearing loss
				63			4 Kidney/renal failure
				45			5 Seizure disorder
				52			6 Car/bike/train accident
				47			7 Multiple sclerosis
				6			8 Muscular dystrophy
				19			9 Cerebral palsy
				9			10 Broken bones
				29			11 Hardening of the arteries
				91			12 High blood pressure
				74			13 Myocardial infarction
				51			14 Angina pectoris
				36			15 Other heart condition
				92			16 Stroke
				1			17 New occurrence of skin cancer
				55			18 Cancer or tumor
				53			19 Diabetes
				90			20 Rheumatoid arthritis
				104			21 Other arthritis
				259			22 Mental retardation
				4			23 Alzheimer's disease
				508			24 Mental disorder
				7			25 Osteoporosis
				14			26 Broken hip
				4			27 Parkinson's disease
				49			28 Emphysema or asthma
				83			29 Partial paralysis
				18			30 Loss of limb
				450			91 Other
				13,039			* OUT OF RANGE *

NOTE: Applies if SP is under age 65 at the time of the initial MCBS interview

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EMCAUSC2	209	2	CAUSFMT		HS25		N 2nd cause of Medicare eligibility
				16,279			. Inapplicable
				7			1 Back/spine/disc
				1			2 Severe eyesight loss
				1			3 Severe hearing loss
				0			4 Kidney/renal failure
				4			5 Seizure disorder
				5			6 Car/bike/train accident
				0			7 Multiple sclerosis
				0			8 Muscular dystrophy
				1			9 Cerebral palsy
				1			10 Broken bones
				0			11 Hardening of the arteries
				10			12 High blood pressure
				17			13 Myocardial infarction
				32			14 Angina pectoris
				30			15 Other heart condition
				9			16 Stroke
				1			17 New occurrence of skin cancer
				1			18 Cancer or tumor
				27			19 Diabetes
				11			20 Rheumatoid arthritis
				46			21 Other arthritis
				14			22 Mental retardation
				0			23 Alzheimer's disease
				74			24 Mental disorder
				13			25 Osteoporosis
				3			26 Broken hip
				0			27 Parkinson's disease
				26			28 Emphysema or asthma
				22			29 Partial paralysis
				5			30 Loss of limb
				30			91 Other

NOTE: Applies only if SP has more than one cause for Medicare eligibility

PRBTELE	211	2	ADL2FMT		HS27a		N Any difficulty using telephone
				2			-8 Don't know
				4			-7 Refused
				1,117			1 Yes
				15,249			2 No
				298			3 Doesn't Do
PRBLHWK	213	2	ADL2FMT		HS27b		N Any difficulty doing light housework
				4			-8 Don't know
				4			-7 Refused
				1,551			1 Yes
				13,714			2 No
				1,397			3 Doesn't Do
PRBHHWK	215	2	ADL2FMT		HS27c		N Any difficulty doing heavy housework
				3			-8 Don't know
				4			-7 Refused
				3,723			1 Yes
				9,587			2 No
				3,353			3 Doesn't Do

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DONTSHOP	231	2	YES1FMT		HS28e		N Don't do shopping b/c health prob
				15,378			. Inapplicable
				1			-8 Don't know
				1,019			1 Yes
				272			2 No
				NOTE: Applies only if PRBSHOP = 3			
DONTBILS	233	2	YES1FMT		HS28f		N Don't manage money b/c health prob
				15,545			. Inapplicable
				711			1 Yes
				414			2 No
				NOTE: Applies only if PRBBILS = 3			
HELPTLE	235	2	YES1FMT		HS29a		N Receive help w/ telephone
				15,305			. Inapplicable
				730			1 Yes
				635			2 No
				NOTE: Applies only if PRBTELE = 1 or DONTTELE = 1			
HELPLHWK	237	2	YES1FMT		HS29b		N Receive help w/ light housework
				14,283			. Inapplicable
				2,015			1 Yes
				372			2 No
				NOTE: Applies only if PRBLHWK = 1 or DONTLHWK = 1			
HELPHHWK	239	2	YES1FMT		HS29c		N Receive help w/ heavy housework
				10,759			. Inapplicable
				1			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				4,638			1 Yes
				1,271			2 No
				NOTE: Applies only if PRBHHWK = 1 or DONTTHWK = 1			
HELPMEAL	241	2	YES1FMT		HS29d		N Receive help w/ preparing meals
				14,713			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				1,679			1 Yes
				277			2 No
				NOTE: Applies only if PRBMEAL = 1 or DONTMEAL = 1			
HELPSHOP	243	2	YES1FMT		HS29e		N Receive help w/ shopping
				13,673			. Inapplicable
				1			-8 Don't know
				2,673			1 Yes
				323			2 No
				NOTE: Applies only if PRBSHOP = 1 or DONTSHOP = 1			

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HELPBILS	245	2	YES1FMT		HS29f		N Receive help w/ managing money
				14,867			. Inapplicable
				1,648			1 Yes
				155			2 No
NOTE: Applies only if PRBBILS = 1 or DONTBILS = 1							
HPPDBATH	247	2	ADL2FMT		HS31a		N Any difficulty bathing/showering
				4			-8 Don't know
				3			-7 Refused
				2,166			1 Yes
				14,412			2 No
				85			3 Doesn't Do
HPPDDRES	249	2	ADL2FMT		HS31b		N Any difficulty dressing
				2			-8 Don't know
				3			-7 Refused
				1,399			1 Yes
				15,209			2 No
				57			3 Doesn't Do
HPPDEAT	251	2	ADL2FMT		HS31c		N Any difficulty eating
				3			-8 Don't know
				3			-7 Refused
				568			1 Yes
				16,073			2 No
				23			3 Doesn't Do
HPPDCHAR	253	2	ADL2FMT		HS31d		N Any difficulty get in/out of bed/chair
				3			-8 Don't know
				3			-7 Refused
				2,463			1 Yes
				14,137			2 No
				64			3 Doesn't Do
HPPDWALK	255	2	ADL2FMT		HS31e		N Any difficulty walking
				3			-8 Don't know
				3			-7 Refused
				4,305			1 Yes
				12,121			2 No
				238			3 Doesn't Do
HPPDTOIL	257	2	ADL2FMT		HS31f		N Any difficulty using the toilet
				4			-8 Don't know
				4			-7 Refused
				1,085			1 Yes
				15,539			2 No
				38			3 Doesn't Do

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NOTE: Applies only if HPPDBATH = 1 or DONTBATH = 1

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HELPDRES	273	2	YES1FMT		HS32b		N Receive help w/ dressing
				15,215			. Inapplicable
				917			1 Yes
				538			2 No
				NOTE: Applies only if HPPDDRES = 1 or DONTDRES = 1			
HELPEAT	275	2	YES1FMT		HS32c		N Receive help w/ eating
				16,080			. Inapplicable
				213			1 Yes
				377			2 No
				NOTE: Applies only if HPPDEAT = 1 or DONTTEAT = 1			
HELPCCHAR	277	2	YES1FMT		HS32d		N Receive help w/ get in/out of bed/chair
				14,144			. Inapplicable
				695			1 Yes
				1,831			2 No
				NOTE: Applies only if HPPDCHAR = 1 or DONTCHAR = 1			
HELPPWALK	279	2	YES1FMT		HS32e		N Receive help w/ walking
				12,130			. Inapplicable
				771			1 Yes
				3,769			2 No
				NOTE: Applies only if HPPDWALK = 1 or DONTWALK = 1			
HELPTOIL	281	2	YES1FMT		HS32f		N Receive help w/ using toilet
				15,547			. Inapplicable
				2			-8 Don't know
				385			1 Yes
				736			2 No
				NOTE: Applies only if HPPDTOIL = 1 or DONTTOIL = 1			
PCHKBATH	283	2	YES1FMT		HS33a		N Person nearby while bathing/showering
				15,583			. Inapplicable
				1			-8 Don't know
				164			1 Yes
				922			2 No
				NOTE: Applies only if HELPBATH = 2			
PCHKDRES	285	2	YES1FMT		HS33b		N Person nearby while dressing
				16,132			. Inapplicable
				56			1 Yes
				482			2 No
				NOTE: Applies only if HELPDRES = 2			

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PCHKKEAT	287	2	YES1FMT		HS33c		N Person nearby while eating
				16,293			. Inapplicable
				50			1 Yes
				327			2 No
				NOTE: Applies only if HELPEAT = 2			
PCHKCHAR	289	2	YES1FMT		HS33d		N Person nearby when get in/out bed/chair
				14,839			. Inapplicable
				192			1 Yes
				1,639			2 No
				NOTE: Applies only if HELPCHAR = 2			
PCHKWALK	291	2	YES1FMT		HS33e		N Person nearby while walking
				12,901			. Inapplicable
				400			1 Yes
				3,369			2 No
				NOTE: Applies only if HELPWALK = 2			
PCHKTOIL	293	2	YES1FMT		HS33f		N Person nearby while using toilet
				15,932			. Inapplicable
				2			-8 Don't know
				86			1 Yes
				650			2 No
				NOTE: Applies only if HELPTOIL = 2			
EQIPBATH	295	2	YES1FMT		HS34a		N Use equipment to help bathe/shower
				14,423			. Inapplicable
				1,263			1 Yes
				984			2 No
				NOTE: Applies only if HPPDBATH = 1 or DONTBATH = 1			
EQIPDRES	297	2	YES1FMT		HS34b		N Use equipment to help dress
				15,215			. Inapplicable
				1			-8 Don't know
				159			1 Yes
				1,295			2 No
				NOTE: Applies only if HPPDDRES = 1 or DONTDRES = 1			
EQUIPEAT	299	2	YES1FMT		HS34c		N Use equipment to help eat
				16,080			. Inapplicable
				54			1 Yes
				536			2 No
				NOTE: Applies only if HPPDEAT = 1 or DONTEAT = 1			

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EQIPCHAR	301	2	YES1FMT		HS34d		N Use equipment to get in/out bed/chair
				14,144			. Inapplicable
				1,049			1 Yes
				1,477			2 No
				NOTE: Applies only if HPPDCHAR = 1 or DONTCHAR = 1			
EQIPWALK	303	2	YES1FMT		HS34e		N Use equipment to help walk
				12,130			. Inapplicable
				2,589			1 Yes
				1,951			2 No
				NOTE: Applies only if HPPDWALK = 1 or DONTWALK = 1			
EQIPTOIL	305	2	YES1FMT		HS34f		N Use equipment to help use toilet
				15,547			. Inapplicable
				678			1 Yes
				445			2 No
				NOTE: Applies only if HPPDTOIL = 1 or DONTTOIL = 1			
LONGBATH	307	2	LONGFMT		HS34aa		N How long needed help to bathe/shower
				15,510			. Inapplicable
				1			-8 Don't know
				104			1 Less than 3 months
				234			2 3 months to 1 year
				821			3 More than 1 year
				NOTES: Applies only if HELPBATH = 1 First available in 1996			
LONGDRES	309	2	LONGFMT		HS34ba		N How long needed help to dress
				15,753			. Inapplicable
				1			-8 Don't know
				83			1 Less than 3 months
				181			2 3 months to 1 year
				652			3 More than 1 year
				NOTES: Applies only if HELPDRES = 1 First available in 1996			
LONGEAT	311	2	LONGFMT		HS34ca		N How long needed help to eat
				16,457			. Inapplicable
				23			1 Less than 3 months
				38			2 3 months to 1 year
				152			3 More than 1 year
				NOTES: Applies only if HELPEAT = 1 First available in 1996			

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LONGCHAR	313	2	LONGFMT		HS34da		N How long need help get in/out bed/chair
				15,975			. Inapplicable
				1			-8 Don't know
				53			1 Less than 3 months
				135			2 3 months to 1 year
				506			3 More than 1 year
							NOTES: Applies only if HELPCCHAR = 1
							First available in 1996
LONGWALK	315	2	LONGFMT		HS34ea		N How long needed help to walk
				15,899			. Inapplicable
				2			-8 Don't know
				68			1 Less than 3 months
				137			2 3 months to 1 year
				564			3 More than 1 year
							NOTES: Applies only if HELPWALK = 1
							First available in 1996
LONGTOIL	317	2	LONGFMT		HS34fa		N How long needed help to use toilet
				16,285			. Inapplicable
				27			1 Less than 3 months
				66			2 3 months to 1 year
				292			3 More than 1 year
							NOTES: Applies only if HELPTOIL = 1
							First available in 1996
STILBATH	319	2	YES1FMT		HS34ab		N Need help 3 mos from now w/ bathe/shower
				16,566			. Inapplicable
				15			-8 Don't know
				55			1 Yes
				34			2 No
							NOTES: Applies only if LONGBATH = 1
							First available in 1996
STILDRES	321	2	YES1FMT		HS34bb		N Need help 3 mos from now w/ dressing
				16,587			. Inapplicable
				11			-8 Don't know
				38			1 Yes
				34			2 No
							NOTES: Applies only if LONGDRES = 1
							First available in 1996
STILEAT	323	2	YES1FMT		HS34cb		N Need help 3 mos from now w/ eating
				16,647			. Inapplicable
				2			-8 Don't know
				17			1 Yes
				4			2 No
							NOTES: Applies only if LONGEAT = 1
							First available in 1996

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STILCHAR	325	2	YES1FMT		HS34db		N Need help 3 mos w/ get in/out bed/chair
				16,617			. Inapplicable
				9			-8 Don't know
				28			1 Yes
				16			2 No
			NOTES: Applies only if LONGCHAR = 1 First available in 1996				
STILWALK	327	2	YES1FMT		HS34eb		N Need help 3 mos from now w/ walking
				16,602			. Inapplicable
				8			-8 Don't know
				41			1 Yes
				19			2 No
			NOTES: Applies only if LONGWALK = 1 First available in 1996				
STILTOIL	329	2	YES1FMT		HS34fb		N Need help 3 mos from now w/ using toilet
				16,643			. Inapplicable
				6			-8 Don't know
				16			1 Yes
				5			2 No
			NOTES: Applies only if LONGTOIL = 1 First available in 1996				
D_ADLHNM	331	2	HELPRFMT		HS30, 35		N Number of ADL helpers
				7,914			. Inapplicable
				6,951			1 1 Helper
				1,358			2 2 Helpers
				332			3 3 Helpers
				89			4 4 Helpers
				18			5 5 Helpers
				5			6 6 Helpers
				3			7 7 Helpers
				0			8 8 Helpers
				0			9 9 Helpers
				0			10 10 Helpers
				0			11 11 Helpers
				0			12 12 Helpers
				0			13 13 Helpers
				0			14 14 Helpers
				0			15 15 Helpers
				0			16 16 Helpers
			NOTE: Applies only if SP has at least one ADL or IADL				
MEMLOSS	333	2	YES2FMT		HS36a		N Memory loss interfere w/ daily activity
				19			-8 Don't know
				4			-7 Refused
				2,119			1 Yes
				14,528			2 No
			NOTE: First available in 1996				

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PROBDECS	335	2	YES2FMT		HS36b		N Problem make decisions interferes w/ADLs
				40			-8 Don't know
				4			-7 Refused
				1,622			1 Yes
				15,004			2 No
NOTE: First available in 1996							
TROBCONC	337	2	YES2FMT		HS36c		N SP has trouble concentrating
				27			-8 Don't know
				4			-7 Refused
				2,644			1 Yes
				13,995			2 No
NOTE: First available in 1996							
LOSTURIN	339	2	URIFMT		HS37		N How often lost urine control last 12 mo
				145			-8 Don't know
				17			-7 Refused
				1,425			1 More than once a week
				444			2 About once a week
				477			3 2-3 times a month
				448			4 ABOUT ONCE A MONTH
				401			5 Every 2-3 months
				676			6 1-2 Times a year
				12,548			7 Not at all
				89			8 Dialysis/catheterized