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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
				15,142			LOW-HIGH BASEID Count
GENHELTH	12	2	GENHFMT		HFA1		N General hlth compare to others same age
				3			-9 Not ascertained
				42			-8 Don't know
				23			-7 Refused
				2,142			1 Excellent
				3,841			2 Very good
				4,686			3 Good
				3,047			4 Fair
				1,358			5 Poor
COMPHLTH	14	2	COMPFMT		HFA2		N Health compared to one year ago
				3			-9 Not ascertained
				18			-8 Don't know
				22			-7 Refused
				622			1 Much better
				1,658			2 Somewhat better
				9,228			3 About the same
				3,049			4 Somewhat worse
				542			5 Much worse
Note: First available in 1996							
HELMTACT	16	2	TIMEFMT		HFA3		N Hlth limits social activity in past mo
				3			-9 Not ascertained
				14			-8 Don't know
				20			-7 Refused
				9,417			1 None of the time
				3,224			2 Some of the time
				1,502			3 Most of the time
				962			4 All of the time
ECHelp	18	2	BLNDFMT		HFB1		N SP wear eyeglasses/contact lenses
				3			-9 Not ascertained
				2			-8 Don't know
				14			-7 Refused
				13,030			1 Yes
				1,988			2 No
				105			3 Blind

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ECTROUB	20	2	LOOK2FMT			HFB2	N Description of SP vision
					124		. Inapplicable
					41		-8 Don't know
					3		-7 Refused
					9,684		1 No trouble seeing
					3,995		2 A little trouble seeing
					1,246		3 A lot of trouble seeing
					49		4 No usable vision

Note: Applies only if ECHELP = 1 or 2

EINTROUB	22	2	LOOKFMT			HFB3	N Difficulty reading Rx instructions/label
					9,747		. Inapplicable
					2		-9 Not ascertained
					21		-8 Don't know
					2,809		1 No trouble
					1,609		2 Little trouble
					954		3 Lot of trouble

Notes: Applies only if ECTROUB = 2, 3, or 4
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EMCTROUB	24	2	LOOKFMT			HFB4	N Difficulty finding out about Medicare
					9,747		. Inapplicable
					41		-8 Don't know
					3,581		1 No trouble
					1,092		2 Little trouble
					681		3 Lot of trouble

Notes: Applies only if ECTROUB = 2, 3, or 4
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EOBTROUB	26	2	LOOKFMT			HFB5	N Difficulty getting medical care
					9,747		. Inapplicable
					1		-9 Not ascertained
					26		-8 Don't know
					1		-7 Refused
					4,096		1 No trouble
					813		2 Little trouble
					458		3 Lot of trouble

Notes: Applies only if ECTROUB = 2, 3, or 4
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EDOCEXAM	28	2	YES2FMT			HFB6	N SP had eye exam w/ eye doctor n past yr
					3		-9 Not ascertained
					83		-8 Don't know
					16		-7 Refused
					8,910		1 Yes
					6,130		2 No

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EDOCLAST	30	2	LASTFMT		HFB7		N How long since last exam by eye doctor
				9,012			. Inapplicable
				117			-8 Don't know
				136			1 Never had an eye exam
				2,801			2 1 year to less than 2 years
				2,043			3 2 years to less than 5 years
				1,033			4 5 years or more
				Notes: Applies only if EDOCEXAM = 2			
				First available in 2002			
ECCATOP	32	2	YES1FMT		HFB10		N SP ever had operation for cataracts
				57			. Inapplicable
				17			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				3,993			1 Yes
				11,074			2 No
				Note: Applies to new panel SPs who are not blind; in 2002, asked of blind also			
HCHELP	34	2	DEAFFMT		HFC1		N Does SP use hearing aid
				3			-9 Not ascertained
				1			-8 Don't know
				16			-7 Refused
				1,602			1 Yes
				13,496			2 No
				24			3 Deaf
HCTROUB	36	2	DEAF2FMT		HFC2		N Description of SP hearing
				44			. Missing
				15			-8 Don't know
				9,469			1 No trouble hearing
				4,491			2 A little trouble hearing
				1,098			3 A lot of trouble hearing
				25			4 Deaf
				Note: Applies only if HCHELP = 1 or 2			
HCKNOWMC	38	2	LOOKFMT		HFC3		N How diff to find Medicare info due to h
				9,504			. Inapplicable
				34			-8 Don't know
				4,329			1 No trouble
				954			2 Little trouble
				321			3 Lot of trouble
				Notes: Applies only if HCHELP = 3 or HCTROUB = 2, 3, or 4			
				First available in 2002			
HCCOMDOC	40	2	LOOKFMT		HFC4		N Trouble communicating with Dr. due to h
				9,504			. Inapplicable
				20			-8 Don't know
				4,265			1 No trouble
				1,058			2 Little trouble
				295			3 Lot of trouble
				Notes: Applies only if HCHELP = 3 or HCTROUB = 2, 3, or 4			
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MAMMOGRM	55	2	YES1FMT		HFF3		N Had mammogram/breast X-ray in last yr
				6,815			. Inapplicable
				2			-9 Not ascertained
				67			-8 Don't know
				13			-7 Refused
				4,166			1 Yes
				4,079			2 No

Note: Inapplicable if SP is male

PAPSMEAR	57	2	YES1FMT		HFF6		N SP had Pap smear in last year
				6,815			. Inapplicable
				2			-9 Not ascertained
				114			-8 Don't know
				14			-7 Refused
				3,059			1 Yes
				5,138			2 No

Note: Inapplicable if SP is male

HYSTEREC	59	2	YES1FMT		HFF9		N SP ever had hysterectomy
				8,019			. Inapplicable
				2			-9 Not ascertained
				30			-8 Don't know
				5			-7 Refused
				2,768			1 Yes
				4,318			2 No

Note: Applies to females in supplemental sample or where PAPNHYST = 2

PROSSURG	61	2	YES1FMT		HFF10		N Had prostate surgery in last year?
				8,702			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				12			-8 Don't know
				4			-7 Refused
				474			1 Yes
				5,949			2 No

Notes: Applies to male SPs who never reported having prostate surgery
First available in 2002

DIGTEXAM	63	2	YES1FMT		HFF11		N SP had digital rectal prostate exam
				8,327			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				127			-8 Don't know
				4			-7 Refused
				3,133			1 Yes
				3,550			2 No

Notes: Applies to male SPs who never reported having prostate surgery
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BLOODTST	65	2	YES1FMT		HFF12		N SP had blood test for prostate cancer
				8,327			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				404			-8 Don't know
				5			-7 Refused
				4,227			1 Yes
				2,178			2 No

Notes: Applies to male SPs who never reported having prostate surgery
First available in 1998

FLUSHOT	67	2	YES2FMT		HFF15		N SP have flu shot for last winter
				3			-9 Not ascertained
				120			-8 Don't know
				17			-7 Refused
				9,859			1 Yes
				5,143			2 No

FLUSITE	69	2	SITEFMT		HFF19		N Where last flu shot was given
				5,283			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				28			-8 Don't know
				5,309			1 Doctor's office/Group Practice
				857			2 Doctor's clinic
				369			3 Managed care plan center/HMO
				215			4 Neighborhood/Family health center
				2			5 Freestanding surgical clinic
				172			6 Rural health clinic
				48			7 Company clinic
				139			8 Other clinic
				35			9 Walk-in urgent center
				6			10 Hospital emergency room
				350			11 Hospital outpatient dept/Clinic
				339			12 V.A. facility
				91			13 Health fair
				832			14 Shopping mall/other store
				456			15 Senior center
				190			16 SP's home
				155			17 Church/school
				8			18 Library
				73			28 Health Department
				23			29 Place of work
				161			91 Other

Notes: Applies only if FLUSHOT = 1
First available in 2000

PNEUSHOT	71	2	YES2FMT		HFF22		N SP ever have shot for pneumonia?
				231			-8 Don't know
				2			-7 Refused
				9,384			1 Yes
				5,525			2 No

EVERSMOK	73	2	YES2FMT		HFG1		N SP ever smoked cigarettes/cigars/tobacco
				9,072			1 Yes
				6,070			2 No

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SMOKNOW	75	2	YES6FMT			HFG2	N Does SP smoke now?
				6,070			. Inapplicable
				2			-9 Not ascertained
				5			-8 Don't know
				6			-7 Refused
				2,242			1 Yes
				6,817			2 No
				0			3 No, but originally Yes
				0			4 Yes, but originally No
Note: Inapplicable if EVERSMOK = 2							
DIFSTOOP	77	2	DIF2FMT			HFH1	N Difficulty stooping/crouching/kneeling
				3			-9 Not ascertained
				8			-8 Don't know
				18			-7 Refused
				4,203			1 No Difficulty
				3,304			2 Little Difficulty
				2,659			3 Some Difficulty
				2,958			4 Lot of Difficulty
				1,989			5 Unable to do it
DIFLIFT	79	2	DIF2FMT			HFH2	N Difficulty lifting/carrying 10 pounds
				3			-9 Not ascertained
				24			-8 Don't know
				18			-7 Refused
				8,935			1 No Difficulty
				1,886			2 Little Difficulty
				1,378			3 Some Difficulty
				1,314			4 Lot of Difficulty
				1,584			5 Unable to do it
DIFREACH	81	2	DIF2FMT			HFH3	N Difficulty extending arms above shoulder
				3			-9 Not ascertained
				12			-8 Don't know
				19			-7 Refused
				10,628			1 No Difficulty
				1,706			2 Little Difficulty
				1,250			3 Some Difficulty
				947			4 Lot of Difficulty
				577			5 Unable to do it
DIFWRITE	83	2	DIF2FMT			HFH4	N Difficulty writing/handling object
				4			-9 Not ascertained
				12			-8 Don't know
				17			-7 Refused
				10,693			1 No Difficulty
				2,124			2 Little Difficulty
				1,254			3 Some Difficulty
				804			4 Lot of Difficulty
				234			5 Unable to do it

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DIFWALK	85	2	DIF2FMT		HFH5		N Difficulty walking 1/4 mile or 2-3 blocks
				3			-9 Not ascertained
				25			-8 Don't know
				17			-7 Refused
				7,531			1 No Difficulty
				1,641			2 Little Difficulty
				1,474			3 Some Difficulty
				1,553			4 Lot of Difficulty
				2,898			5 Unable to do it
OCARTERY	87	2	YES2FMT		HFJ1		N Ever told had hardening of arteries
				32			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				1,472			1 Yes
				13,637			2 No
OCHBP	89	2	YES6FMT		HFJ2		N Ever told had hypertension/hi blood pres
				18			-8 Don't know
				8,734			1 Yes
				6,390			2 No
				0			3 No, but originally Yes
				0			4 Yes, but originally No
D_HBP	91	2	YES6FMT		HFJ3		N Had high blood pressure since year ago?
				3			-9 Not ascertained
				43			-8 Don't know
				17			-7 Refused
				6,747			1 Yes
				8,332			2 No
				0			3 No, but originally Yes
				0			4 Yes, but originally No
Note: First available in 2001							
OCMYOCAR	93	2	YES2FMT		HFJ4		N Ever told had myocard infarct/hrt attack
				10			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				2,167			1 Yes
				12,964			2 No
D_MYOCAR	95	2	YES1FMT		HFJ5		N Had myocardial infarc. since year ago?
				3			-9 Not ascertained
				27			-8 Don't know
				18			-7 Refused
				379			1 Yes
				14,715			2 No
Note: First available in 2001							
OCCHD	97	2	YES2FMT		HFJ6		N Ever told had angina pectoris/CHD
				33			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				1,904			1 Yes
				13,204			2 No

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D_CHD	99	2	YES1FMT		HFJ7		N Had coronary heart dis. since year ago?
				4			-9 Not ascertained
				68			-8 Don't know
				18			-7 Refused
				623			1 Yes
				14,429			2 No
				Note: First available in 2001			
OCOTHART	101	2	YES2FMT				N Ever told had other heart conditions
				5			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				4,992			1 Yes
				10,144			2 No
D_OTHHRT	103	2	YES1FMT		HFJ15		N Had other heart cond. since year ago?
				3			-9 Not ascertained
				33			-8 Don't know
				18			-7 Refused
				430			1 Yes
				14,658			2 No
				Note: First available in 2001			
D_CFAIL	105	2	YES1FMT		HFJ9		N Had hart failure since year ago?
				3			-9 Not ascertained
				43			-8 Don't know
				18			-7 Refused
				416			1 Yes
				14,662			2 No
				Note: First available in 2001			
D_VALVE	107	2	YES1FMT		HFJ11		N Had prbs with valves since year ago?
				3			-9 Not ascertained
				65			-8 Don't know
				18			-7 Refused
				447			1 Yes
				14,609			2 No
				Note: First available in 2001			
D_RHYTHM	109	2	YES1FMT		HFJ13		N Had prbs w/ heart rhythm since year ago?
				3			-9 Not ascertained
				59			-8 Don't know
				18			-7 Refused
				1,232			1 Yes
				13,830			2 No
				Note: First available in 2001			

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OCSTROKE	111	2	YES2FMT		HFJ16		N Ever told had stroke/brain hemorrhage
				10			-8 Don't know
				2			-7 Refused
				1,800			1 Yes
				13,330			2 No
D_STROKE	113	2	YES1FMT		HFJ17		N Had stroke/brain hemmor. since yr ago?
				5			-9 Not ascertained
				34			-8 Don't know
				19			-7 Refused
				381			1 Yes
				14,703			2 No
Note: First available in 2001							
OCCSKIN	115	2	YES2FMT		HFJ18		N Ever told had skin cancer
				8			-8 Don't know
				2			-7 Refused
				2,681			1 Yes
				12,451			2 No
D_CSKIN	117	2	YES1FMT		HFJ19		N Had skin cancer since year ago?
				14,390			. Inapplicable
				3			-8 Don't know
				291			1 Yes
				458			2 No
Note: First available in 2001							
OCCANCER	119	2	YES2FMT		HFJ20		N Ever told had other (non-skin) cancer
				7			-8 Don't know
				2			-7 Refused
				2,638			1 Yes
				12,495			2 No
D_CANCER	121	2	YES1FMT		HFJ21		N Had any cancer since year ago?
				4			-9 Not ascertained
				19			-8 Don't know
				19			-7 Refused
				541			1 Yes
				14,559			2 No
Note: First available in 2001							
OCCLUNG	123	2	YES1FMT		HFJ22		N Body part w/cancer--lung
				12,504			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				2			-8 Don't know
				117			1 Yes
				2,518			2 No

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OCCHEAD	149	2	YES1FMT		HFJ22		N Body part w/cancer--head
				12,504			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				2			-8 Don't know
				18			1 Yes
				2,617			2 No
Note: Applies only if OCCANCER = 1							
OCCFONEC	151	2	YES1FMT		HFJ22		N Body part w/cancer-female organs
				12,504			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				2			-8 Don't know
				13			1 Yes
				2,622			2 No
Note: Applies only if OCCANCER = 1							
OCCOTHER	153	2	YES1FMT		HFJ22		N Body part w/cancer--other
				12,504			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				2			-8 Don't know
				441			1 Yes
				2,194			2 No
Note: Applies only if OCCANCER = 1							
OCDIABTS	155	2	YES5FMT		HFJ23		N Ever told had diabetes/hi blood sugar
				4			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				2,874			1 Yes
				12,263			2 No
				0			3 Yes, but originally No
				0			4 No, but originally Yes
OCARTH RH	157	2	YES2FMT		HFJ24		N Ever told had rheumatoid arthritis
				37			-8 Don't know
				2			-7 Refused
				1,671			1 Yes
				13,432			2 No
OCARTH	159	2	YES2FMT		HFJ25		N Ever told had non-rheumatoid arthritis
				26			-8 Don't know
				2			-7 Refused
				8,361			1 Yes
				6,753			2 No
D_ARTHRD	161	2	YES1FMT		HFJ26		N Had non-rheumatoid arth since year ago?
				1,048			. Inapplicable
				4			-9 Not ascertained
				47			-8 Don't know
				19			-7 Refused
				3,202			1 Yes
				10,822			2 No

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OCPARKIN	189	2	YES2FMT		HFJ35		N Ever told had Parkinson's disease
				3			-8 Don't know
				2			-7 Refused
				205			1 Yes
				14,932			2 No
OCEMPHYS	191	2	YES2FMT		HFJ36		N Ever told had emphysema/asthma/COPD
				10			-8 Don't know
				2			-7 Refused
				2,281			1 Yes
				12,849			2 No
OCPPARAL	193	2	YES2FMT		HFJ37		N Ever told had complete/partial paralysis
				2			-7 Refused
				778			1 Yes
				14,362			2 No
D_PPARAL	195	2	YES1FMT		HFJ38		N Had paralysis since year ago?
				6			-9 Not ascertained
				9			-8 Don't know
				19			-7 Refused
				254			1 Yes
				14,854			2 No

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OCAMPUTE	197	2	YES2FMT	HFJ39	N Ever lost an arm or leg
				2	-7 Refused
				243	1 Yes
				14,897	2 No
HAVEPROS	199	2	YES1FMT	HFJ40	N SP ever been told: Enlarged prostate/BPH
				8,327	. Inapplicable
				42	-8 Don't know
				2,172	1 Yes
				4,601	2 No

Notes: Inapplicable if SP is female
First available in 1999

D_PROST	201	2	YES1FMT	HFJ41	N Had prostate probs since year ago?
			8,327		. Inapplicable
			1		-9 Not ascertained
			90		-8 Don't know
			5		-7 Refused
			980		1 Yes
			5,739		2 No

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EMCAUSC1	203	2	CAUSFMT		HFJ43		N 1st cause of Medicare eligibility
				10,107			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				13			-8 Don't know
				5			-7 Refused
				225			1 Back/spine/disc
				62			2 Severe eyesight loss
				20			3 Severe hearing loss
				67			4 Kidney/renal failure
				43			5 Seizure disorder
				30			6 Car/bike/train accident
				46			7 Multiple sclerosis
				9			8 Muscular dystrophy
				17			9 Cerebral palsy
				20			10 Broken bones
				20			11 Hardening of the arteries
				91			12 High blood pressure
				56			13 Myocardial infarction
				36			14 Angina pectoris
				16			15 Other heart condition
				100			16 Stroke
				1			17 New occurrence of skin cancer
				50			18 Cancer or tumor
				73			19 Diabetes
				99			20 Rheumatoid arthritis
				130			21 Other arthritis
				274			22 Mental retardation
				2			23 Alzheimer's disease
				486			24 Mental disorder
				11			25 Osteoporosis
				7			26 Broken hip
				5			27 Parkinson's disease
				51			28 Emphysema or asthma
				78			29 Partial paralysis
				28			30 Loss of limb
				6			31 Cong heart failure
				1			32 Probs w/ hrt valves
				42			33 Heartbeat rhythm
				2,429			65 Gained entitlement at 65
				385			91 Other

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

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EMCAUSC2	205	2	CAUSFMT		HFJ43		N 2nd cause of Medicare eligibility
				13,788			. Inapplicable
				8			1 Back/spine/disc
				0			2 Severe eyesight loss
				2			3 Severe hearing loss
				0			4 Kidney/renal failure
				5			5 Seizure disorder
				1			6 Car/bike/train accident
				2			7 Multiple sclerosis
				0			8 Muscular dystrophy
				1			9 Cerebral palsy
				3			10 Broken bones
				0			11 Hardening of the arteries
				6			12 High blood pressure
				10			13 Myocardial infarction
				24			14 Angina pectoris
				17			15 Other heart condition
				87			16 Stroke
				0			17 New occurrence of skin cancer
				41			18 Cancer or tumor
				84			19 Diabetes
				83			20 Rheumatoid arthritis
				137			21 Other arthritis
				217			22 Mental retardation
				2			23 Alzheimer's disease
				420			24 Mental disorder
				13			25 Osteoporosis
				5			26 Broken hip
				4			27 Parkinson's disease
				57			28 Emphysema or asthma
				71			29 Partial paralysis
				21			30 Loss of limb
				10			31 Cong heart failure
				2			32 Probs w/ hrt valves
				0			33 Heartbeat rhythm
				0			65 Gained entitlement at 65
				21			91 Other

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

PRBTELE	207	2	ADL2FMT		HFk1a		N Any difficulty using telephone
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				4			-8 Don't know
				16			-7 Refused
				1,112			1 Yes
				13,685			2 No
				324			3 Doesn't Do
PRBLHWK	209	2	ADL2FMT		HFk1b		N Any difficulty doing light housework
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				4			-8 Don't know
				17			-7 Refused
				1,558			1 Yes
				12,217			2 No
				1,345			3 Doesn't Do

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DONTMEAL	225	2	YES1FMT	HFK2d			N Don't prepare meals b/c health prob
				13,630			. Inapplicable
				690			1 Yes
				822			2 No
			Note: Applies only if PRBMEAL = 3				
DONTSHOP	227	2	YES1FMT	HFK2e			N Don't do shopping b/c health prob
				13,930			. Inapplicable
				926			1 Yes
				286			2 No
			Note: Applies only if PRBSHOP = 3				
DONTBILS	229	2	YES1FMT	HFK2f			N Don't manage money b/c health prob
				14,027			. Inapplicable
				5			-8 Don't know
				699			1 Yes
				411			2 No
			Note: Applies only if PRBBILS = 3				
HELPTELE	231	2	YES1FMT	HFK3a			N Receive help w/ telephone
				13,773			. Inapplicable
				1			-8 Don't know
				754			1 Yes
				614			2 No
			Note: Applies only if PRBTELE = 1 or DONTTELE = 1				
HELPLHWK	233	2	YES1FMT	HFK3b			N Receive help w/ light housework
				12,764			. Inapplicable
				2,005			1 Yes
				373			2 No
			Note: Applies only if PRBLHWK = 1 or DONTLHWK = 1				
HELPHHWK	235	2	YES1FMT	HFK3c			N Receive help w/ heavy housework
				9,456			. Inapplicable
				1			-7 Refused
				4,496			1 Yes
				1,189			2 No
			Note: Applies only if PRBHHWK = 1 or DONTTHWK = 1				
HELPMEAL	237	2	YES1FMT	HFK3d			N Receive help w/ preparing meals
				13,187			. Inapplicable
				1,640			1 Yes
				315			2 No
			Note: Applies only if PRBMEAL = 1 or DONTMEAL = 1				

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HELPSHOP	239	2	YES1FMT		HFK3e		N Receive help w/ shopping
				12,329			. Inapplicable
				2,510			1 Yes
				303			2 No
Note: Applies only if PRBSHOP = 1 or DONTSHOP = 1							
HELPBILS	241	2	YES1FMT		HFK3f		N Receive help w/ managing money
				13,392			. Inapplicable
				1			-8 Don't know
				1,575			1 Yes
				174			2 No
Note: Applies only if PRBBILS = 1 or DONTBILS = 1							
HPPDBATH	243	2	ADL2FMT		HFL1a		N Any difficulty bathing/showering
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				4			-8 Don't know
				19			-7 Refused
				1,907			1 Yes
				13,124			2 No
				87			3 Doesn't Do
HPPDDRES	245	2	ADL2FMT		HFL1b		N Any difficulty dressing
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				4			-8 Don't know
				18			-7 Refused
				1,293			1 Yes
				13,773			2 No
				53			3 Doesn't Do
HPPDEAT	247	2	ADL2FMT		HFL1c		N Any difficulty eating
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				4			-8 Don't know
				18			-7 Refused
				472			1 Yes
				14,632			2 No
				15			3 Doesn't Do
HPPDCHAR	249	2	ADL2FMT		HFL1d		N Any difficulty get in/out of bed/chair
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				5			-8 Don't know
				18			-7 Refused
				2,256			1 Yes
				12,798			2 No
				64			3 Doesn't Do
HPPDWALK	251	2	ADL2FMT		HFL1e		N Any difficulty walking
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				6			-8 Don't know
				18			-7 Refused
				4,123			1 Yes
				10,745			2 No
				249			3 Doesn't Do

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HPPDPTOIL	253	2	ADL2FMT		HFL1f		N Any difficulty using the toilet
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				6			-8 Don't know
				19			-7 Refused
				923			1 Yes
				14,151			2 No
				42			3 Doesn't Do
DONTBATH	255	2	YES1FMT		HFL2a		N Don't bathe/shower b/c health prob
				15,055			. Inapplicable
				1			-8 Don't know
				83			1 Yes
				3			2 No
				Notes: Applies only if HPPDBATH = 3 First available in 1992			
DONTDRES	257	2	YES1FMT		HFL2b		N Don't dress b/c health prob
				15,089			. Inapplicable
				53			1 Yes
				0			2 No
				Notes: Applies only if HPPDDRES = 3 First available in 1992			
DONTEAT	259	2	YES1FMT		HFL2c		N Don't eat b/c health prob
				15,127			. Inapplicable
				15			1 Yes
				0			2 No
				Notes: Applies only if HPPDEAT = 3 First available in 1992			
DONTCHAR	261	2	YES1FMT		HFL2d		N Don't get in/out bed/chair b/c hlth prob
				15,078			. Inapplicable
				64			1 Yes
				0			2 No
				Notes: Applies only if HPPDCHAR = 3 First available in 1992			
DONTWALK	263	2	YES1FMT		HFL2e		N Don't walk b/c health prob
				14,893			. Inapplicable
				246			1 Yes
				3			2 No
				Notes: Applies only if HPPDWALK = 3 First available in 1992			

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DONTTOIL	265	2	YES1FMT		HFL2f		N Don't use toilet b/c health prob
				15,100			. Inapplicable
				42			1 Yes
				0			2 No
				Notes: Applies only if HPPDTOIL = 3 First available in 1992			
HELPBATH	267	2	YES1FMT		HFL3a		N Receive help w/ bathing/showering
				13,152			. Inapplicable
				1			-8 Don't know
				1,107			1 Yes
				882			2 No
				Note: Applies only if HPPDBATH = 1 or DONTBATH = 1			
HELPDRES	269	2	YES1FMT		HFL3b		N Receive help w/ dressing
				13,796			. Inapplicable
				1			-8 Don't know
				867			1 Yes
				478			2 No
				Note: Applies only if HPPDDRES = 1 or DONTDRES = 1			
HELPEAT	271	2	YES1FMT		HFL3c		N Receive help w/ eating
				14,655			. Inapplicable
				191			1 Yes
				296			2 No
				Note: Applies only if HPPDEAT = 1 or DONTEAT = 1			
HELPCHAR	273	2	YES1FMT		HFL3d		N Receive help w/ get in/out of bed/chair
				12,822			. Inapplicable
				2			-8 Don't know
				747			1 Yes
				1,571			2 No
				Note: Applies only if HPPDCHAR = 1 or DONTCHAR = 1			
HELPWALK	275	2	YES1FMT		HFL3e		N Receive help w/ walking
				10,773			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				1			-8 Don't know
				783			1 Yes
				3,584			2 No
				Note: Applies only if HPPDWALK = 1 or DONTWALK = 1			
HELPTOIL	277	2	YES1FMT		HFL3f		N Receive help w/ using toilet
				14,177			. Inapplicable
				1			-8 Don't know
				360			1 Yes
				604			2 No
				Note: Applies only if HPPDTOIL = 1 or DONTTOIL = 1			

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PCHKBATH	279	2	YES1FMT	HFL4a			N Person nearby while bathing/showering
				14,259			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				1			-8 Don't know
				186			1 Yes
				695			2 No
				Note: Applies only if HELPBATH = 2			
PCHKDRES	281	2	YES1FMT	HFL4b			N Person nearby while dressing
				14,663			. Inapplicable
				1			-8 Don't know
				71			1 Yes
				407			2 No
				Note: Applies only if HELPDRES = 2			
PCHKEAT	283	2	YES1FMT	HFL4c			N Person nearby while eating
				14,846			. Inapplicable
				59			1 Yes
				237			2 No
				Note: Applies only if HELPEAT = 2			
PCHKCHAR	285	2	YES1FMT	HFL4d			N Person nearby when get in/out bed/chair
				13,569			. Inapplicable
				2			-8 Don't know
				169			1 Yes
				1,402			2 No
				Note: Applies only if HELPCCHAR = 2			
PCHKWALK	287	2	YES1FMT	HFL4e			N Person nearby while walking
				11,556			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				1			-8 Don't know
				449			1 Yes
				3,135			2 No
				Note: Applies only if HELPWALK = 2			
PCHKTOIL	289	2	YES1FMT	HFL4f			N Person nearby while using toilet
				14,537			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				2			-8 Don't know
				86			1 Yes
				516			2 No
				Note: Applies only if HELPTOIL = 2			

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LONGBATH	303	2	LONGFMT		HFL6a		N How long needed help to bathe/shower
				14,035			. Inapplicable
				2			-8 Don't know
				96			1 Less than 3 months
				191			2 3 months to 1 year
				818			3 More than 1 year
				Notes: Applies only if HELPBATH = 1			
				First available in 1996			
LONGDRES	305	2	LONGFMT		HFL6b		N How long needed help to dress
				14,275			. Inapplicable
				1			-8 Don't know
				72			1 Less than 3 months
				144			2 3 months to 1 year
				650			3 More than 1 year
				Notes: Applies only if HELPDRES = 1			
				First available in 1996			
LONGEAT	307	2	LONGFMT		HFL6c		N How long needed help to eat
				14,951			. Inapplicable
				15			1 Less than 3 months
				33			2 3 months to 1 year
				143			3 More than 1 year
				Notes: Applies only if HELPEAT = 1			
				First available in 1996			
LONGCHAR	309	2	LONGFMT		HFL6d		N How long need help get in/out bed/chair
				14,395			. Inapplicable
				1			-8 Don't know
				69			1 Less than 3 months
				116			2 3 months to 1 year
				561			3 More than 1 year
				Notes: Applies only if HELPCHAR = 1			
				First available in 1996			
LONGWALK	311	2	LONGFMT		HFL6e		N How long needed help to walk
				14,359			. Inapplicable
				1			-8 Don't know
				64			1 Less than 3 months
				143			2 3 months to 1 year
				575			3 More than 1 year
				Notes: Applies only if HELPWALK = 1			
				First available in 1996			

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LONGTOIL	313	2	LONGFMT	HFL6f			N How long needed help to use toilet
				14,782			. Inapplicable
				32			1 Less than 3 months
				55			2 3 months to 1 year
				273			3 More than 1 year
			Notes: Applies only if HELPTOIL = 1 First available in 1996				
STILBATH	315	2	YES1FMT	HFL7a			N Need help 3 mos from now w/ bathe/shower
				15,046			. Inapplicable
				14			-8 Don't know
				51			1 Yes
				31			2 No
			Notes: Applies only if LONGBATH = 1 First available in 1996				
STILDRES	317	2	YES1FMT	HFL7b			N Need help 3 mos from now w/ dressing
				15,070			. Inapplicable
				8			-8 Don't know
				43			1 Yes
				21			2 No
			Notes: Applies only if LONGDRES = 1 First available in 1996				
STILEAT	319	2	YES1FMT	HFL7c			N Need help 3 mos from now w/ eating
				15,127			. Inapplicable
				1			-8 Don't know
				11			1 Yes
				3			2 No
			Notes: Applies only if LONGEAT = 1 First available in 1996				
STILCHAR	321	2	YES1FMT	HFL7d			N Need help 3 mos w/ get in/out bed/chair
				15,073			. Inapplicable
				3			-8 Don't know
				50			1 Yes
				16			2 No
			Notes: Applies only if LONGCHAR = 1 First available in 1996				
STILWALK	323	2	YES1FMT	HFL7e			N Need help 3 mos from now w/ walking
				15,078			. Inapplicable
				7			-8 Don't know
				45			1 Yes
				12			2 No
			Notes: Applies only if LONGWALK = 1 First available in 1996				

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STILTOIL	325	2	YES1FMT		HFL7f		N Need help 3 mos from now w/ using toilet
				15,110			. Inapplicable
				4			-8 Don't know
				23			1 Yes
				5			2 No

Notes: Applies only if LONGTOIL = 1
First available in 1996

D_ADLHNM	327	2	HELPRFMT				N Number of ADL helpers
				6,992			. Inapplicable
				6,183			1 1 helper
				1,462			2 2 helpers
				352			3 3 helpers
				110			4 4 helpers
				43			5 or more helpers

Note: Applies only if SP has at least one ADL or IADL

FALLANY	329	2	YES2FMT		HFM1		N Have fallen down in past yr.
				3			-9 Not ascertained
				32			-8 Don't know
				16			-7 Refused
				3,765			1 Yes
				11,326			2 No

Note: First available in 2002

FALLTIME	331	2	FALLFMT		HFM2		N Number of times fallen
				11,377			. Inapplicable
				66			-8 Don't know
				1,802			1 SP fell once
				824			2 SP fell twice
				398			3 SP fell three times
				200			4 SP fell four times
				133			5 SP fell five times
				317			6-94 SP fell 6 - 94 times
				25			95 SP fell 95 or more times

Notes: Applies only if FALLANY = 1
First available in 2002

FALLHURT	333	2	YES1FMT		HFM3		N Needed medical attention because of fall
				11,377			. Inapplicable
				5			-8 Don't know
				1,193			1 Yes
				2,567			2 No

Notes: Applies only if FALLANY = 1
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FALLTALK	335	2	YES1FMT		HFM4		N Talked to professional about falls
				11,377			. Inapplicable
				9			-8 Don't know
				1,829			1 Yes
				1,927			2 No
				Notes: Applies only if FALLANY = 1 First available in 2002			
FALLREAS	337	2	YES1FMT		HFM5		N Did hlth prof try to understand why fell
				13,304			. Inapplicable
				17			-8 Don't know
				1,381			1 Yes
				440			2 No
				Notes: Applies only if FALLANY = 1 & FALLTALK does not equal 2 First available in 2002			
FALLPREV	339	2	YES1FMT		HFM6		N Did hlth prof give info to avoid falls
				13,304			. Inapplicable
				20			-8 Don't know
				1,147			1 Yes
				671			2 No
				Notes: Applies only if FALLANY = 1 & FALLTALK does not equal 2 First available in 2002			
MEMLOSS	341	2	YES2FMT		HFN1		N Memory loss interfere w/ daily activity
				3			-9 Not ascertained
				23			-8 Don't know
				19			-7 Refused
				2,011			1 Yes
				13,086			2 No
				Note: First available in 1996			
PROBDECS	343	2	YES2FMT		HFN2		N Problem make decisions interferes w/ADLs
				3			-9 Not ascertained
				21			-8 Don't know
				19			-7 Refused
				1,494			1 Yes
				13,605			2 No
				Note: First available in 1996			
TROBCONC	345	2	YES2FMT		HFN3		N SP has trouble concentrating
				3			-9 Not ascertained
				24			-8 Don't know
				19			-7 Refused
				2,558			1 Yes
				12,538			2 No
				Note: First available in 1996			

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TIMESAD	347	2	TIME2FMT			HFN4	N Were you depressed the last 12 months?
				3			-9 Not ascertained
				86			-8 Don't know
				23			-7 Refused
				352			1 All of the time
				993			2 Most of the time
				3,432			3 Some of the time
				4,968			4 A little of the time
				5,285			5 None of the time
Note: First available in 2001							
LOSTINTR	349	2	YES2FMT			HFN5	N Did you lose interest the last 12 mos?
				3			-9 Not ascertained
				88			-8 Don't know
				23			-7 Refused
				2,548			1 Yes
				12,480			2 No
Note: First available in 2001							
LOSTURIN	351	2	URIFMT			HFQ1	N How often lost urine control last 12 mo
				3			-9 Not ascertained
				131			-8 Don't know
				46			-7 Refused
				1,437			1 More than once a week
				395			2 About once a week
				403			3 2-3 times a month
				368			4 About once a month
				315			5 Every 2-3 months
				633			6 1-2 Times a year
				11,279			7 Not at all
				132			8 Dialysis/catheterized