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 Key Record

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The BASEID key identifies the person interviewed. It is an 8-digit element, consisting of a unique, randomly assigned 7-digit number concatenated with a single-digit checkdigit. In addition to the BASEID, the KEY file contains the type of interview conducted and other variables for classifying the beneficiary. There is one record for each person who completed an interview.

RIC	1	2					C Record Identification Code
VERSION	3	1					C Version Number
BASEID	4	8	\$BSIDFMT				C Unique SP Identification Number
				12,029			LOW-HIGH BASEID Count
SAMPLECD	12	2	\$SAMFMT				C Start of Medicare entitlement
				0			** Not entitled
				11,307			00 Continuing Sample
				352			01 Ghost-entitled in yr prior to cur cal yr
				370			02 Ghost-entitled in current calendar yr
FIRSTRND	14	2	\$FRDFMT				C First round of interviews
				0			16 First interview in R16
				0			19 First interview in R19
				0			22 First interview in R22
				0			25 First interview in R25
				0			28 First interview in R28
				0			31 First interview in R31
				3,452			34 First interview in R34
				3,693			37 First interview in R37
				4,192			40 First interview in R40
				323			43 First interview in R43
				369			46 First interview in R46
TYPE	16	1	\$TYPEFMT				C Beneficiary's living situation for year
				247			B Both
				10,956			C Community
				826			F Facility
SNF	17	1	\$SNFFMT				C Any SNF stay?
				11,434			N No SNF stays during the calendar year
				595			Y One or more SNF stays during the year
STATUS	18	2	\$STAFMT				C Completeness of survey data for the year
				10,341			40 Complete, alive as of 12/31
				587			50 Complete, death on or before 12/31
				370			60 Incomplete, alive as of 12/31
				39			70 Incomplete, death on or before 12/31
				692			99 Other
C_DAYS	20	3	DAYKFMT				N Number of community days
				827			0 Zero
				355			1-122 1-122
				298			123-244 123-244
				510			245-364 245-364
				10,039			365 365, Common year
				0			366 366, Leap year

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F_DAYS	23	3	DAYKFMT				N Number of facility days
				10,981		0	Zero
				205		1-122	1-122
				109		123-244	123-244
				217		245-364	245-364
				517		365	365, Common year
				0		366	366, Leap year
S_DAYS	26	3	DAYKFMT				N Number of SNF days
				11,434		0	Zero
				580		1-122	1-122
				13		123-244	123-244
				2		245-364	245-364
				0		365	365, Common year
				0		366	366, Leap year
TOT_DAYS	29	3	DAYKFMT				N Total person days
				0		0	Zero
				356		1-122	1-122
				284		123-244	123-244
				294		245-364	245-364
				11,095		365	365, Common year
				0		366	366, Leap year