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**Ophthalmology – Retinal Imaging** 

**Examination** 

Survey Years: 2005 to 2006

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#### NHANES 2005–2006 Data Documentation

Exam Component: Ophthalmolo	ogy – Retinal Imaging Exam (OPXRET	_D)
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**Component Description** The Retinal Imaging subsection of the Ophthalmology Component tests for the presence of diabetic retinopathy, age-related macular degeneration, and other retinal conditions. Two forty-five degree non-mydriatic digital retinal images of each eye were obtained using an ophthalmic digital imaging system (1).

- Eligible All examined participants aged 40 years and older who did not meet any of the exclusion criteria. Persons could be excluded from the retinal imaging component due to blindness (i.e., unable to see light with both eyes open), eye infections, or eye patches on both eyes (1).
- **Protocol and Procedure** The retinal imaging exam was performed using an ophthalmic digital imaging system (Retinal Photography) to assess the presence of retinal diseases.

Forty-five degree non-mydriatic digital images of the retina were captured from survey participants aged 40 years and older using the Canon Non-Mydriatic Retinal Camera CR6-45NM. Technicians conducting the exams were trained in the use of the digital imaging system. The room was darkened while these images were captured to allow the pupils to dilate naturally. No pharmacologic dilation was used (1).

The exam was conducted with the participant seated in a chair in front of the Canon CR6-45NM, with a Canon 10D camera back (6.3 megapixels per image), with the flash default (DA) set to 2. Please refer to the NHANES Ophthalmology Procedures Manual in the NHANES website for camera settings. Participants were asked to focus on a target for proper field positioning while two digital images per eye were obtained. The first image was centered on the macula (field 2) and the second on the optic nerve (field 1). The first eye to be imaged was determined by an automated system. The digital images were copied to DVDs and shipped to the University of Wisconsin for grading using standardized methods used for other populations.

Field 1 and 2 images provided photographic documentation of the optic disc, macula, and substantial portions of the temporal arcades.

During external alignment of the pupil, its size was estimated, once for each eye, prior to taking the first image for that eye. Each digital image was

initially evaluated as it appeared on the back of the digital camera. Technicians were trained to determine when an image should be repeated, such as an image being too dark or the person blinked. After taking the required four images, repeat images were captured for those that were obviously ungradable. The maximum number of images allowed was 12 (i.e., 3 per field) (1).

Digital images were evaluated by graders at the University of Wisconsin. If an eye was judged to have a treatable pathologic condition that posed an imminent threat to vision, the University of Wisconsin notified NCHS within three working days of receipt of the images. Further information can be found in the NHANES Ophthalmology Procedures Manual available on the NHANES website.

#### Quality Assurance & Quality Control

A variety of quality control procedures were used to ensure the accurate and reliable collection of these data. Calibrations of the Canon forty-five degree non-mydriatic camera were performed prior to conducting examinations at each survey location. Prior to data collection, a multistage training was conducted during which the technician was required to image a minimum of 25 volunteers (50 eyes). Six images captured by each technician were sent to graders for evaluation. At regular intervals, NCHS and contractor staff observed digital imaging examinations to evaluate whether appropriate procedures and techniques were being followed. Midyear and annual retraining sessions were conducted with health technicians to review data collection procedures, provide feedback, review grader evaluation comments, and reinforce proper protocols and technique.

Digital images of the retina were sent to graders under contract to the University of Wisconsin, Madison for reading. The grading protocol for assessing retinopathy, macular degeneration, and other retinal lesions was successfully performed in NHANES III. The grading team included nine experienced graders (a preliminary grading coordinator, two preliminary graders, and six detail graders).

The digital images were evaluated in semi-quantitative fashion by independent graders using EyeQ Lite, an image processing software for storage, retrieval, and manipulation of digital images. The graders viewed each retinal image with a high resolution monitor, using the EyeQLite image processing software and database, and referenced the written protocol and the digital photographic standards to evaluate retinal abnormalities.

Three distinct steps comprised the grading process: early review for pathology, preliminary grading, and detail grading. A preliminary grading coordinator reviewed images for significant pathology and notified NCHS of pathology within 3 days of receiving the images. All images were further

graded by at least two graders (a preliminary grader and a detail grader). Upon systematic grading, if the first two graders did not agree on pathology, a third grader graded the eye. If two of the three graders disagreed, the image was evaluated by an adjudicator to make a final decision. Refer to the NHANES Digital Grading Protocol on the NHANES website for more detail (2).

The reading center provided a photo quality report generated from the graders' evaluations of all photographs which was used to evaluate retraining of technicians.

For details on the QA/QC process for this component, please refer to the NHANES Ophthalmology Procedures Manual on the NHANES website.

Inspection, calibration, and maintenance of the equipment and supplies were performed on a regular basis. The NHANES Ophthalmology Procedures Manual details the equipment quality control procedures (1).

# DataAutomated data collection procedures for the survey were used to<br/>collect the digital imaging data. Digital images were captured by a non-<br/>mydriatic camera. The captured images were then transferred to the<br/>survey database system.

During the editing process, all data were examined for logical inconsistencies and technician or equipment errors. Edits of the data were performed when errors were detected.

# AnalyticUsers are encouraged to note carefully the "English Instructions"Notesdescribing the various variables and suggested analysis in the codebook<br/>documentation.

Note that eye conditions are provided for the worse eye, right eye, and left eye. The following can be determined from the variable names: OP - Ophthalmology component; third letter - data was gathered through examination (X), it is an administrative variable (A), or a derived variable (D). Worse eye is defined by "U", right eye by "D", and left eye by "S". The remaining letters refer to the corresponding data gathered or eye condition.

OPASCCT2 (Retinal Imaging Exam Status Comment) is a quality control variable that allowed NCHS to monitor the component and the reasons technicians provided for why an exam was not done or incomplete. The data were not collected for analytic reasons but for quality control purposes. This variable is only provided in the data release file to allow analysts to have some information on missing data and possible reasons for non-response.

References to the Early Treatment Diabetic Retinopathy Study (ETDRS) standards are made in the codebook, thus familiarization with the standards is helpful.

Retinal Imaging data can be combined with the Ophthalmology Frequency Doubling Technology data to assess for the presence of glaucoma. Visual acuity data can be used in analysis where noted in the English Instructions.

Please refer to the Analytic Guidelines on the NHANES website to obtain further details on the use of sample weights and other analytic issues (3).

The NHANES Digital Grading Protocol which can be found on the NHANES website provides definitions and a detailed description of the grading process (2).

#### References

- 1. National Center for Health Statistics. NHANES Ophthalmology Procedures Manual is available on the NHANES website.
- 2. National Center for Health Statistics. NHANES Digital Grading Protocol is available on the NHANES website.
- 3. National Center for Health Statistics. NHANES Analytic Guidelines are available on the NHANES website.

#### Locator Record

Title: Retinal Imaging Exam

Contact Number: 1-866-441-NCHS

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Subject: Retinal Imaging Exam, non-mydriatic digital imaging, fundus photography

Record Source: NHANES 2005–2006

Survey Methodology: NHANES 2005–2006 is a stratified multistage probability sample of the civilian non-institutionalized population of the U.S.

Medium: NHANES Web site; SAS transport files

### National Health and Nutrition Examination Survey Codebook for Data Production (2005-2006)

## Retinal Imaging Section of the Ophthalmology Exam (OPXRET\_D) Person Level Data

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SEQN	Target			
	B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)			
Hard Edits	SAS Label			
	Respondent sequence number			
English Text: Respondent sequence number.				
English Instructions:				

OPASCST2			Target		
		B(40 Yrs. 1	to 150 Yrs.)		
Hard Edits		SAS	Label		
		Exam	status		
English Text: Retinal In	naging Status				
English Instructions:					
Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item	
1	Complete	2403	2403		
2	Partial	101	2504		
3	Not done	430	2934		
•	Missing	0	2934		

OPASCCT2		Target					
Hard Edits			B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.) SAS Label				
			Reason for 1	not done/partial			
English Text: Retina	al Imaging C	omment					
English Instruction	s:						
Code or Value		Description		Cumulative	Skip to Item		
1	Sa	fety exclusion	3	3			
2		SP refusal	85	88			
3		No time	13	101			
4	Phy	sical limitation	94	195			
5	Comm	unication problem	22	217			
6	Equ	ipment failure	3	220			
7	SP	ill/emergency	16	236			
12	Eye s	Eye specific limitation		296			
56	Came late/left early		198	494			
72	(technici	Error (technician/software/supply)		498			
84	S	SP with child		513			
86		SP Blind		514			
99	C	Other, specify		516			
100		Eye specific limitation: Eye missing/glass eye		517			
101		fic limitation: Small pupil size	2	519			
102	Eye specifi	c limitation: Cataract, right eye	1	520			
103		cific limitation: SP to keep eyes open	6	526			
104	• •	Eye specific limitation: SP unable to fixate adequately		529			
105		Eye specific limitation: Interference with drooping eyelids		530			
106		fic limitation: SP not control blinking	1	531			
•		Missing	2403	2934			

VIQ110		Та	Target		
, iqiio		B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)			
Hard Edits		SAS Label			
		SP has severe eye infection?			
English Text: Does S	P appear to	to have a severe eye infection in one or both eyes?			
<b>English Instructions:</b>					
Code or Value	I	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
1		Yes	0	0	
2		No	2780	2780	
		Missing	154	2934	

VIQ130		T	Target			
10100		B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)				
Hard Edits		SAS Label				
		SP wearing eye patch				
English Text: Is SP wear	ing an eye patch?					
English Instructions:						
Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item		
1	Yes	1	1			
2	No	2779	2780			
	Missing	154	2934			

VIQ141		Ta	rget		
, iqiii		B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)			
Hard Edits		SAS Label			
		Whic	h eye?		
English Text: If so, whi	ich eye?				
English Instructions:					
Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item	
1	Right	1	1		
2	Left	0	1		
3	Both	0	1		
	Missing	2933	2934		

OPXDCOM	OPXDCOMP			Target		
	•		B(40 Yrs.	to 150 Yrs.)		
Hard Edits		SAS Label				
			Are field 1 & field	2 present, right ey	/e	
English Text: Are fiel	d 1 & field	2 present, right eye?				
English Instructions: incomplete.	<b>English Instructions:</b> Completeness of the photo. If field 1 or field 2 are missing, the photos will be acomplete.					
Code or Value	Ι	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item	
0		No photos	28	28		
1	]	Incomplete	91	119		
2		Complete	2385	2504		
		Missing	430	2934		

OPXDF1	OPXDF1		Ta	Target		
		B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)				
Hard Edits	5	SAS Label				
		Field 1 Present, Right Eye				
English Text: Is field	1 present in	in the photos of the right eye?				
English Instructions:	If present,	there is a gradability	value, OPXDGRE	BL.		
Code or Value	]	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item	
0		Absent	100	100		
2		Present	2404	2504		
		Missing	430	2934		

OPXDF1FO		Target			
		B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)			
Hard Edits		SAS Label			
		Field 1 Focus, Right Eye			
English Text: Was the op	ptic nerve in focus from the	right eye?			
English Instructions:					
Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item	
0	Good/fair	2152	2152		
1	Borderline	188	2340		
2	Poor	64	2404		
	Missing	530	2934		

OPXDF2	Target	
	B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)	
Hard Edits	SAS Label	
	Field 2 Present, Right Eye	

**English Text:** Is field 2 present, Right Eye?

**English Instructions:** Was field 2 present in the photos of the right eye? If absent, ARM and ME may not be measurable in this eye. If present, there is a gradability value, OPXDGRBL.

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	Absent	38	38	
2	Present	2466	2504	
	Missing	430	2934	

OPXDF2FO		Target				
			B(40 Yrs.	to 150 Yrs.)		
Hard Edits		SAS Label				
		Field 2 Focus, Right Eye				
English Text: Field 2	English Text: Field 2 Focus, Right Eye					
<b>English Instructions:</b>	Was the M	acula Image in Foc	us from the right ey	ve?		
Code or Value	L	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item	
0		Good/fair	2118	2118		
1	]	Borderline	241	2359		
2		Poor	107	2466		
		Missing	468	2934		

OPXDGRBL	Target	
	B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)	
Hard Edits	SAS Label	
	Gradability of images, Right Eye	

**English Text:** Gradability of images, right eye. This assumes at least one digital image of the right eye is available.

**English Instructions:** 0=All fields are gradable; 1=Disc is ungradable; 2=Portion of the macula is ungradable; 4= Portion of the disc and macula are ungradable; 5=Disc and macula are ungradable; 6= All available fields are ungradable. Please refer to the NHANES Digital Retinal Image Grading Protocol for more details and definitions.

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	Gradable	2256	2256	
1	Disc ungradable	4	2260	
2	Part macula	130	2390	
3	Macula ungradable	54	2444	
4	Part disc & macula	5	2449	
5	Disc & macula ungradable	9	2458	
6	Ungradable	18	2476	
	Missing	458	2934	

OPXDPMM		Target				
		B(40 Yrs	to 150 Yrs.)			
Hard Edits		SAS	5 Label			
		Pupil Size, Right Eye				
English Text:						
English Instructions:						
Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item		
1 to 6	Range of Values	2368	2368			
•	Missing	566	2934			

OPXDPHPR		Target				
			B(40 Yrs.	to 150 Yrs.)		
Hard Edits SAS Label			Label			
		Photo Problems, Right Eye				
English Text: Photo P	English Text: Photo Problems					
<b>English Instructions:</b>	Were there	problems with the	quality of the imag	es from the right e	ye?	
Code or Value	Ι	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item	
0		No	1289	1289		
2 Yes		1187	2476			
9	No photos of eye		28	2504		
		Missing	430	2934		

OPXDPHIL		Target				
		B(40 Yrs.	to 150 Yrs.)			
Hard Edits	Hard Edits SAS Label					
		Photo Prob - Illumination, Right Eye				
English Text: Photo Pro	blem - Illumination	Illumination				
English Instructions:						
Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item		
0	No	2014	2014			
2	Yes	462	2476			
9	No photos of eye	28	2504			
•	Missing	430	2934			

OPXDPHFD		Target			
			B(40 Yrs.	to 150 Yrs.)	
Hard Edits			SAS	Label	
		Photo Prob - Field Definition, Right Eye			
English Text: Photo Pr	oblem - Field Definition				
<b>English Instructions:</b>					
Code or Value	Ι	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0		No	2399	2399	
2 Yes		77	2476		
9	No	photos of eye	28	2504	
		Missing	430	2934	

OPXDPHHZ		Target				
		B(40 Yrs.	to 150 Yrs.)			
Hard Edits		SAS	Label			
		Photo Prob - Haze, Right Eye				
English Text: Photo Pro	oblem - Haze	- Haze				
English Instructions:						
Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item		
0	No	1740	1740			
2	2 Yes		2476			
9	9 No photos of eye		2504			
	Missing	430	2934			

OPXDPHDD		Target			
			B(40 Yrs.	to 150 Yrs.)	
Hard Edits	Hard Edits			Label	
		Photo Prob - Dust/Dirt, Right Eye			
English Text: Photo Pr	oblem - D	· Dust/Dirt			
<b>English Instructions:</b>					
Code or Value	Γ	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0		No	2190	2190	
2		Yes	286	2476	
9	No	photos of eye	28	2504	
		Missing	430	2934	

OPXDPHLA		Target				
		B(40 Yrs.	to 150 Yrs.)			
Hard Edits		SAS Label				
		Photo Prob - Lashes, Right Eye				
English Text: Photo Pro	blem - Lashes	- Lashes				
English Instructions:						
Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item		
0	No	2374	2374			
2	Yes	102	2476			
9	No photos of eye	28	2504			
•	Missing	430	2934			

OPXDPHAR		Target			
		B(40 Yrs.	to 150 Yrs.)		
Hard Edits		SAS	5 Label		
		Photo Prob - Arc, Right Eye			
English Text: Photo Pro	English Text: Photo Problem - Arc				
English Instructions:					
Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item	
0	No	2388	2388		
2	Yes	88	2476		
9	No photos of eye	28	2504		
•	Missing	430	2934		

OPXDPHRC		Target				
		B(40 Yrs.	to 150 Yrs.)			
Hard Edits	SAS Label					
		Photo Prob - Red Channel, Right Eye				
English Text: Photo Pro	oblem - Red Channel	- Red Channel				
English Instructions:						
Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item		
0	No	2468	2468			
2	2 Yes		2476			
9	No photos of eye	28	2504			
· .	Missing	430	2934			

ОРХДРНОТ		Target			
			B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)		
Hard Edits			SAS	Label	
			Photo Prob - O	Other, Right Eye	
English Text: Photo P	roblem - O	ther			
<b>English Instructions:</b>					
Code or Value	Ι	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0		No	1910	1910	
2		Yes	566	2476	
9	No	photos of eye	28	2504	
•		Missing	430	2934	

OPDURET	Target	
orbeitait	B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)	
Hard Edits	SAS Label	
	Retinopathy level, worse eye	

**English Text:** Calculated levels of retinopathy severity, worse eye. The worse eye is the eye with the more severe retinopathy.

**English Instructions:** Calculated severity levels are described in more detail in the NHANES Grading Protocol, Retinopathy section. HE=HARD EXUDATES; SE=SOFT EXUDATE; IRMA=INTRARETINAL MICROVASCULAR ABNORMALITIES; VL=VENOUS LOOPS; MAS=MICROANEURYSMS; HEM=HEMORRHAGES; NPR=NON-PROLIFERATIVE RETINOPATHY; RET=RETINOPATHY; PRP LASER=PANRETINAL PHOTOCOAGULATION SCARS PRESENT; PR=PROLIFERATIVE RETINOPATHY; HRC=HIGH RISK CHARACTERISTICS AS DEFINED IN THE EARLY TREATMENT DIABETIC RETINOPATHY STUDY; AND VH=VITREOUS HEMORRHAGE Note: Retinopathy is graded masked to diabetes status and retinopathy may be found in persons with and without diabetes (even though value labels may indicate otherwise). Level 12 is indicated when specific nondiabetic disease, e.g. retinal vein occlusion, is present. To examine retinopathy in persons with diabetes use the diabetes definition found in the NHANES Grading Protocol; to examine in nondiabetic persons exclude all persons with diabetes.

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
10	No retinopathy	2022	2022	
12	Non-diabetic retinal disease specific retinopathy	33	2055	
13	Questionable retinopathy	90	2145	
14	HE, SE, IRMA, VL but no MAS	11	2156	
15	HEM only, no MAS	57	2213	
20	MAS only	129	2342	
31	Early NPR	47	2389	
41	Moderate NPR	52	2441	
51	Severe NPR	5	2446	
60	Fibrous prolif. only	3	2449	
61	No retinopathy but PRP laser	0	2449	
62	MAS only + PRP laser	0	2449	
63	Early NPR + PRP laser	1	2450	
64	Moderate/severe NPR + PRP laser	1	2451	
65	PR < HRC	7	2458	
70	PR >= HRC	1	2459	
80	Total VH	0	2459	
•	Missing	475	2934	

OPDURL4	Target
	B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)
Hard Edits	SAS Label
	4 levels retinopathy severity, worse eye

**English Text:** This variable provides information on four levels of retinopathy severity, from the worse eye. The worse eye is the eye with the more severe retinopathy.

**English Instructions:** Four levels of retinopathy severity are computed from variable OPDURET: 1=LEVELS 10-13; 2=LEVELS 14-31; 3=LEVELS 41-51; 4=LEVELS 60-80. This variable is often used in examining associations with retinopathy severity. To collapse further, can combine code 1=No Retinopathy; 2-4=Retinopathy; For a No Proliferative Retinopathy vs. Proliferative analysis, combine 1-3 as Non-Proliferative.

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
1	No retinopathy	2145	2145	
2	Mild NPR	244	2389	
3	Moderate/severe NPR	57	2446	
4	PR (Proliferative)	13	2459	
	Missing	475	2934	

OPDUARMA	Target
	B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)
Hard Edits	SAS Label
	Any retinopathy, worse eye

**English Text:** This field is coded for the presence or absence of any retinopathy from the worse eye. The worse eye is the eye with the more severe retinopathy.

**English Instructions:** This variable is calculated from the OPDURET variable as follows: 0(No)=LEVELS <14; 1(Yes)=LEVELS>=14

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	No	2145	2145	
1	Yes	314	2459	
	Missing	475	2934	

OPDUHMA	Target
	B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)
Hard Edits	SAS Label
	MAS, HEM, worse eye

**English Text:** This summary variable provides information describing microaneurysms (MAS) only, blot hemorrhages (HEM) only, or both, using two severity levels from the ETDRS standard 2A, worse eye.

**English Instructions:** Value 5 is more severe than value 4. For MAS only, see variable OPDUMA. For HEM only, see variable OPDUHEM. Combined MAS and/or HEM would include values 2 to 5 as present and values 0 & 1 as none.

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	None	2044	2044	
1	Questionable	85	2129	
2	MAS only	146	2275	
3	HEM only	79	2354	
4	HEM+MAS < 2A	102	2456	
5	HEM+MAS >= 2A	6	2462	
	Missing	472	2934	

OPDUMA			Target			
Of Delvin	B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)					
Hard Edits	5	SAS Label				
		Retinal microaneurysms, worse eye			e	
e	<b>English Text:</b> This variable provides information only on eyes with retinal microaneurysms and no retinal blot hemorrhage, worse eye.				ns and no retinal blot	
		iable is calculated as being present (1=YES) if variable OPDUHMA=2 and 0 or 1. For eyes with any microaneurysms, recode from OPDUHMA.				
Code or Value	I	Description Count Cumulative Skip to Item				
0		No	2226	2226		
1		Yes	177	2403		

531

2934

Missing

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OPDUHEM	Target
	B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)
Hard Edits	SAS Label
	Retinal blot hemorrhages, worse eye

**English Text:** This variable provides information only on eyes with retinal blot hemorrhages and no microaneurysms in the worse eye.

**English Instructions:** This variable is computed as present (1=YES) from OPDUHMA variable code=3 and absent (0=NO) from OPDUHMA variable code=0 or 1. For eyes with any retinal blot hemorrhages, recode from OPDUHMA.

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	No	2271	2271	
1	Yes	84	2355	
	Missing	579	2934	

OPDUHE	Target
	B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)
Hard Edits	SAS Label
	Retinal hard exudate, worse eye

**English Text:** This variable provides information on the presence or absence of hard exudate in the worse eye. Hard exudate is a result of lipoprotein deposition in the retina and is usually associated with macular edema.

**English Instructions:** Can combine code 0=No and 1=Questionable for absent.

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	No	2392	2392	
1	Questionable	12	2404	
2	Yes	57	2461	
•	Missing	473	2934	

OPDUSE	Target
OT DOUL	B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)
Hard Edits	SAS Label
	Retinal soft exudate, worse eye

**English Text:** This variable provides information on the presence or absence of soft exudate in the worse eye. Soft exudate, sometimes called cotton wool spot, is due to retinal nerve fiber layer infarction, a result of retinal ischemia.

English Instructions: Can combine code 0=No and 1=Questionable for absent.					
Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item	
0	No	2376	2376		
1	Questionable	15	2391		
2	Yes	71	2462		
	Missing	472	2934		

**English Instructions:** Can combine code 0=No and 1=Questionable for absent.

OPDUIRMA	Target
	B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)
Hard Edits	SAS Label
	IRMA, worse eye

**English Text:** This variable provides information on the presence or absence of Intraretinal Microvascular Abnormalities (IRMA), from the worse eye. IRMA are retinal collateral vessels in areas of retinal ischemia indicating a more severe level of retinopathy. This variable is coded using the ETDRS photo standard, 8A. Eyes with IRMA>=8A have more severe disease than eyes with standard <8A.

**English Instructions:** Can combine code 0=None and 1=Questionable for IRMA absent and codes 2 & 3 for IRMA present.

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	None	2381	2381	
1	Questionable	35	2416	
2	< 8A	36	2452	
3	>= 8A	6	2458	
-	Missing	476	2934	

OPDUVB	Target				
012012	B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)				
Hard Edits	SAS Label				
	Retinal venous beading, worse eye				

**English Text:** This variable provides information on the presence or absence of retinal venous beading from the worse eye. Venous beading is a manifestation of severe retinal ischemia.

**English Instructions:** Can combine code 0=No and 1=Questionable for absent.

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	No	2465	2465	
1	Questionable	3	2468	
2	Yes	0	2468	
	Missing	466	2934	

OPDUNVO	Target	
01201110	B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)	
Hard Edits	SAS Label	
	Retinal new vessels on disc, worse eye	

**English Text:** This variable provides information on the presence or absence of retinal new vessels on the optic disc area, from the worse eye. Retinal new vessels on the optic disc area are a manifestation of proliferative retinopathy due to retinal ischemia. This variable is coded using the ETDRS photo standard, 10A. Eyes with standard>=10A have more new vessels than eyes with standard <10A.

**English Instructions:** When combined with other manifestations of proliferative retinopathy is equivalent to OPDURL4=4 (Proliferative). Can combine code 0=None and 1=Questionable for absent; codes 2=<10A with 3=>=10A for present.

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	None	2466	2466	
1	Questionable	2	2468	
2	< 10A	4	2472	
3	>= 10A	0	2472	
•	Missing	462	2934	

OPDUNVE	Target		
	B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)		
Hard Edits	SAS Label		
	Retinal new vessels elsewhere, worse eye		

**English Text:** This variable provides information on the presence or absence of retinal new vessels elsewhere outside the optic disc margin in the worse eye. Retinal new vessels elsewhere outside the optic disc margin are a manifestation of proliferative retinopathy due to retinal ischemia. The more area affected, the more severe the disease.

**English Instructions:** When combined with other manifestations of proliferative retinopathy is equivalent to OPDURL4=4 (Proliferative). Can combine code 0=None and 1=Questionable for absent and code 2=<1/2 DISC AREA with 3=>=1/2 DISC AREA for present.

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	None	2456	2456	
1	Questionable	4	2460	
2	< 1/2 Disc Area	4	2464	
3	>= 1/2 Disc Area	0	2464	
	Missing	470	2934	

OPDURFP	Target			
orbonar	B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)			
Hard Edits	SAS Label			
	Retinal fibrous proliferation, worse eye			

**English Text:** This variable provides information on the presence or absence of retinal fibrous proliferation in the worse eye. Retinal fibrous proliferation is a manifestation of proliferative retinopathy due to retinal ischemia. The more area affected, the greater the disease.

**English Instructions:** FPD = Fibrous proliferation within the optic disc area; FPE = Fibrous proliferation elsewhere outside the optic disc margin. When combined with other manifestations of proliferative retinopathy is equivalent to OPDURL4=4. Can combine code 0=None and 1=Questionable for absent; 2=FPD ONLY, 3=FPE ONLY, and 4=FPD + FPE for any present.

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	None	2458	2458	
1	Questionable	4	2462	
2	FPD only	2	2464	
3	FPE only	1	2465	
4	FPD + FPE	3	2468	
	Missing	466	2934	

OPDUPHVH	Target			
	B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)			
Hard Edits	SAS Label			
	Pre-ret./ vitreous hemorrhage, worse eye			

**English Text:** This variable provides information on the presence or absence of pre-retinal hemorrhage or vitreous hemorrhage in the worse eye. Pre-retinal hemorrhage or vitreous hemorrhage is a manifestation of proliferative retinopathy due to retinal ischemia. The more area is affected, the more severe the disease.

**English Instructions:** When combined with other manifestations of proliferative retinopathy is equivalent to OPDURL4=4. Can combine 0=None and 1=Questionable for absent and 2=<1 Disc Area and 3=>= 1 Disc Area for present.

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	None	2465	2465	
1	Questionable	2	2467	
2	< 1 Disc Area	0	2467	
3	>= 1 Disc Area	1	2468	
	Missing	466	2934	

OPDUME	Target	
	B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)	
Hard Edits	SAS Label	
	Macular edema, worse eye	

**English Text:** This variable provides information on the presence or absence of macular edema by clinical significance from the worse eye. The definition for Clinically Significant Macular Edema (CSME), found in the NHANES Grading Protocol: CSME is considered present when edema involves the fovea or is within 500 microns of the fovea, or when a 1+disc area of edema is present with at least a portion of it within the macula.

**English Instructions:** Increased permeability of retinal capillaries and MAS may result in accumulation of extracellular fluid and thickening of normally compact retinal tissue called Macular Edema. In some cases, the macular edema becomes clinically significant. "OTHER" refers to evidence of macular edema associated with retinopathy often associated with a specific ocular or systemic condition (e.g. retinal vein occlusion). Can combine 0=No and 1=Questionable for absent; and 2=Yes, but not CSME and 3=Yes, CSME for any macular edema present; exclude 7 from analysis.

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	No	2400	2400	
1	Questionable	12	2412	
2	Yes, but not CSME	5	2417	
3	Yes CSME	24	2441	
7	Other	0	2441	
•	Missing	493	2934	

OPDUMEC	Target			
ordeniec	B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)			
Hard Edits	SAS Label			
	Macular edema in center, worse eye			

**English Text:** This variable provides information on the presence or absence of macular edema in the center from the worse eye. Center involvement specifies involvement of the fovea by macular edema. Cysts indicate more severe involvement, usually associated with visual loss.

**English Instructions:** "OTHER" refers to evidence of macular edema associated with retinopathy often associated with a specific ocular or systemic condition (e.g. retinal vein occlusion). Can combine 0=None and 1=Questionable for absent; 2=Present and CSME and 3=CSME with cysts for any present central involvement; exclude 7 from analysis. Can combine with visual acuity data in corresponding eye.

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	None	2415	2415	
1	Questionable	8	2423	
2	Present and CSME	15	2438	
3	CSME with cysts	2	2440	
7	Other	1	2441	
	Missing	493	2934	

OPDUPPS	Target			
	B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)			
Hard Edits	SAS Label			
	Panret. photocoagulation scar, worse eye			

**English Text:** This variable provides information on the presence or absence of panretinal photocoagulation scars in the worse eye. Panretinal photocoagulation in a scatter pattern across the retina or in specific areas outside the macular area later results in scarring and is a surrogate for having had active severe disease. Local and/or scatter photocoagulation is usually done to prevent preretinal and vitreous hemorrhage or the development of retinal new vessels.

**English Instructions:** In the absence of retinopathy, is usually combined with other signs of proliferative retinopathy which may or may not be present (refer to OPDURET). Can combine 0=None and 1=Questionable/Incomplete for absent; and codes 2, 3, and 4 as present.

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	None	2453	2453	
1	Questionable/incomplete	4	2457	
2	Local	1	2458	
3	Scatter only	11	2469	
4	Scatter + local	0	2469	
	Missing	465	2934	

OPDUFOC	Target				
	B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)				
Hard Edits	SAS Label				
	Focal photocoag. scars for ME, worse eye				

**English Text:** This variable provides information on the presence or absence of focal laser photocoagulation from the worse eye. It can appear either as treatment of leaking retinal microaneurysms (MA Rx only) or in a grid pattern in macula done for the treatment of localized or diffuse macular edema (Grid only), or sometimes together.

**English Instructions:** Can combine codes 0=None and 1=Questionable for absent and codes 2-4 (MA RX only, Grid Only, and MA RX + Grid Rx) for present.

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	None	2446	2446	
1	Questionable	3	2449	
2	MA RX only	16	2465	
3	Grid only	0	2465	
4	MA RX & Grid RX	0	2465	
	Missing	469	2934	

OPDUARM	Target			
	B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)			
Hard Edits	SAS Label			
	ARM, 3 severity levels, worse eye			
<b>English Text:</b> This variable provides information on the 3-level severity classification of age-related macular degeneration (ARM) from the worse eye. Early ARM is defined by presence or absence of drusen and/or pigmentary abnormalities; late ARM by exudative ARM signs and/or geographic atrophy.				

**English Instructions:** For ANY ARM, can combine codes 1=Early ARM and 2=Late ARM.

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	No ARM	2220	2220	
1	Early ARM	166	2386	
2	Late ARM	27	2413	
	Missing	521	2934	

OPDUPIGA	Target
	B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)
Hard Edits	SAS Label
	Ret. & pigmentary abnorm., worse eye

**English Text:** This variable provides information on the presence or absence of increased retinal pigment and/or RPE depigmentation, a manifestation of early ARM in absence of signs of late ARM, from the worse eye.

#### **English Instructions:**

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	No	2272	2272	
1	Yes	142	2414	
	Missing	520	2934	

OPDULARM	Target	
	B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)	
Hard Edits	SAS Label	
	Late ARM, worse eye	

**English Text:** This variable provides information on the presence or absence of exudative ARM and/or geographic atrophy from the worse eye.

**English Instructions:** Late ARM is defined by the presence of signs of exudative ARM and/or geographic atrophy.

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	No	2397	2397	
1	Yes	27	2424	
	Missing	510	2934	

OPDUGA	Target			
or be on	B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)			
Hard Edits	SAS Label			
	Geographic atrophy, worse eye			

**English Text:** This variable provides information on the presence or absence of pure geographic atrophy in the absence of signs of Exudative ARM, worse eye

#### **English Instructions:**

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	No	2397	2397	
1	Yes	19	2416	
	Missing	518	2934	

OPDUEXU	Target
OIDCLAC	B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)
Hard Edits	SAS Label
	Exudative ARM, worse eye

**English Text:** This variable provides information on the presence or absence of exudative ARM from the worse eye.

**English Instructions:** Exudative ARM is also called neovascular ARM. Sometimes geographic atrophy is present.

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	No	2416	2416	
1	Yes	8	2424	
•	Missing	510	2934	

OPDUHD	Target
	B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)
Hard Edits	SAS Label
	Hard distinct drusen, worse eye

**English Text:** This variable provides information on the presence or absence of hard distinct drusen, from the worse eye.

**English Instructions:** Currently considered not to be a sign of ARM by itself.

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Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	No	928	928	
1	Yes	1484	2412	
	Missing	522	2934	

OPDUD125		Target				
		B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)				
Hard Edits		SAS Label				
		Drusen>=125 microns, worse eye				
English Text: This var equal to 125 microns ir	-		1	ence of large drus	en, greater than or	
English Instructions:	Large drusen	are considered a	sign of early ARM			
Code or Value	De	scription	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item	
0		No	2162	2162		
1		Yes	255	2417		

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OPDUD500	Target		
01202000	B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)		
Hard Edits	SAS Label		
	Drusen>=500 microns, worse eye		

**English Text:** This variable provides information on the presence or absence of large drusen, greater than or equal to 500 microns in diameter, from the worse eye.

English Instructions: Large drusen covering more area indicates more involvement in the macula area.

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	No	2309	2309	
1	Yes	106	2415	
	Missing	519	2934	

OPDUASD		Target				
		B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)				
Hard Edits	5	SAS Label				
		Any soft drusen, worse eye				
<b>English Text:</b> This variable provides information on the presence or absence of any soft indistinct and/or soft distinct drusen from the worse eye.						
English Instructions:						
Code or Value	D	escription	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item	
0		No	2003	2003		
1		Yes	416	2419		

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OPDUSDD	Target
0120022	B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)
Hard Edits	SAS Label
	Soft distinct drusen, worse eye

**English Text:** This variable provides information on the presence or absence of soft distinct drusen, from the worse eye.

English Instructions: Soft distinct drusen is a less severe type of drusen than soft indistinct drusen.

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	No	2032	2032	
1	Yes	387	2419	
	Missing	515	2934	

OPDUSID			Target				
			B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)				
Hard Edits		SAS Label					
		Soft indistinct drusen, worse eye					
worse eye.	<ul><li>English Text: This variable provides information on the presence or absence of soft indistinct drusen from the worse eye.</li><li>English Instructions: Soft indistinct drusen is a more severe type of drusen than soft distinct drusen.</li></ul>						
Code or Value	I	Description Count Cumulative Skip to Item					
0		No	2288	2288			
1		Yes	125	2413			
		Missing	521	2934			

OPDUIRP	Target			
	B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)			
Hard Edits	SAS Label			
	Increased retinal pigment, worse eye			

**English Text:** This variable provides information on the presence or absence of increased retinal pigment due to disruption of the retinal pigment epithelium in early ARM, from the worse eye.

# **English Instructions:**

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Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	No	2277	2277	
1	Yes	137	2414	
	Missing	520	2934	

OPDURPE		Target				
B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)						
Hard Edits	5	SAS Label				
		RPE depigmentation, worse eye				
<b>English Text:</b> This variable provides information on the presence or absence of decreased retinal pigmentation due to disruption of the retinal pigment epithelium in early ARM, from the worse eye. <b>English Instructions:</b>						
Code or Value						
0		No	2336	2336		
1		Yes	75	2411		

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OPDUAGA	Target	
012011011	B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)	
Hard Edits	SAS Label	
	Any geographic atrophy, worse eye	

**English Text:** This variable provides information on the presence or absence of any geographic atrophy from the worse eye.

**English Instructions:** This variable differs from the pure geographic atrophy variable, OPDUGA, because exudative ARM may be present concurrently in which case OPDUGA may result from exudative ARM and/or its treatment.

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	No	2401	2401	
1	Yes	23	2424	
	Missing	510	2934	

OPDUPED	Target	
	B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)	
Hard Edits	SAS Label	
	RPE/sensory ret. detachment, worse eye	

**English Text:** This variable provides information on the presence or absence of Retinal Pigment Epithelial detachment/ Sensory Retinal detachment, a sign of exudative ARM, from the worse eye.

## **English Instructions:**

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	No	2417	2417	
1	Yes	6	2423	
•	Missing	511	2934	

OPDUSNV	Target	
	B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)	
Hard Edits	SAS Label	
	Subretinal new vessels, worse eye	

**English Text:** This variable provides information on the presence or absence of subretinal new vessels, a sign of exudative ARM, from the worse eye.

## **English Instructions:**

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Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	No	2421	2421	
1	Yes	2	2423	
	Missing	511	2934	

OPDUSUBH		Target			
			B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)		
Hard Edits		SAS Label			
		Subretinal hemorrhage, worse eye			
of exudative ARM, fro	om the wors	ovides information on the presence or absence of subretinal hemorrhage, a sign orse eye.			
English Instructions:	English Instructions:				
Code or Value	Ι	Description     Count     Cumulative     Skip to Item			
0		No	2421	2421	
1		Yes	3	2424	

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OPDUSFS	Target
	B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)
Hard Edits	SAS Label
	Subretinal fibrous scar, worse eye

**English Text:** This variable provides information on the presence or absence of subretinal fibrous scar, a sign of exudative ARM, from the worse eye.

## **English Instructions:**

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	No	2419	2419	
1	Yes	5	2424	
	Missing	510	2934	

OPDUARMX	Target			
or 2 crindum	B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)			
Hard Edits	SAS Label			
Treatment for ARM, worse eye				
<b>English Text:</b> This variable provides information on the presence or absence of 3 types of treatment for exudative ARM in the worse eye: laser, photodynamic and/or thermal treatment. The presence or absence of				

these treatments is a sign of exudative ARM.

# **English Instructions:**

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	No	2423	2423	
1	Yes	1	2424	
	Missing	510	2934	

OPDUBCO	Target
0120200	B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)
Hard Edits	SAS Label
	Retinal artery occlusion, worse eye

**English Text:** This variable provides information on the presence or absence of retinal artery occlusion (branch or central), a blockage of retinal arteriole or artery resulting in infarction of the retina, from the worse eye.

**English Instructions:** Can combine codes 0=No and 1=Questionable to define absent; 2=Yes and 3=Yes, in center, to define present.

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	No	2477	2477	
1	Questionable	2	2479	
2	Yes	0	2479	
3	Yes, in center	0	2479	
•	Missing	455	2934	

OPDUBVO	Target
0120210	B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)
Hard Edits	SAS Label
	Retinal branch vein occlusion, worse eye

**English Text:** This variable provides information on the presence or absence of retinal branch vein occlusion, a blockage of retinal branch venule (level 12 in the retinopathy severity scale, variable OPDURET), from the worse eye.

**English Instructions:** Can combine with retinal central vein occlusion (OPDUCVO) to get retinal vein occlusion. Can combine 0=No and 1=Questionable to define absent; 2=Yes and 3=Yes, in center to define present.

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	No	2459	2459	
1	Questionable	4	2463	
2	Yes	12	2475	
3	Yes, in center	0	2475	
	Missing	459	2934	

OPDUCVO	Target
0120000	B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)
Hard Edits	SAS Label
	Ret. central vein occlusion, worse eye

**English Text:** This variable provides information on the presence or absence of retinal central vein occlusion (RCVO) from the worse eye; blockage of the retinal central vein (level 12 in the retinal severity scale variable, OPDURET).

**English Instructions:** Can combine with retinal branch vein occlusion (OPDUBVO) to get retinal vein occlusion. Can combine 0=No and 1=Questionable to define absent; 2=Yes and 3=Yes, in center to define present.

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	No	2478	2478	
1	Questionable	1	2479	
2	Yes	1	2480	
3	Yes, in center	0	2480	
	Missing	454	2934	

OPDUAVN	Target	
01201111	B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)	
Hard Edits	SAS Label	
	Retinal AV nicking, worse eye	

**English Text:** This variable provides information on the presence or absence of retinal arterio-venous nicking, a pinching of the vein at an artery crossing, from the worse eye. May be secondary to hypertension. Refer to the NHANES Detailed Grading Protocol for more details.

**English Instructions:** Can combine 0=No and 1=Questionable to define absent.

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	No	1685	1685	
1	Questionable	520	2205	
2	Yes	270	2475	
	Missing	459	2934	

OPDUFAN	Target	
01201111	B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)	
Hard Edits	SAS Label	
	Focal arteriolar narrowing, worse eye	

**English Text:** This variable provides information on the presence or absence of retinal focal arteriolar narrowing, focal pinching or narrowing of the arteriole, from the worse eye. May be secondary to hypertension. Refer to the NHANES Detailed Grading Protocol for more details.

**English Instructions:** Can combine 0=No and 1=Questionable to define absent.

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	No	2286	2286	
1	Questionable	140	2426	
2	Yes	40	2466	
•	Missing	468	2934	

OPDUHOLL	Target	
of Deficile	B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)	
Hard Edits	SAS Label	
	Hollenhorst plaque, worse eye	

**English Text:** This variable provides information on the presence or absence of retinal arteriolar embolus (Hollenhorst plaque), from the worse eye. Usually fibrin or cholesterol embolus seen in retinal arterioles, often at a bifurcation of the vessel.

**English Instructions:** Can combine 0=No and 1=Questionable to define absent.

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	No	2460	2460	
1	Questionable	6	2466	
2	Yes	10	2476	
•	Missing	458	2934	

OPDUPPA	Target		
or borrent	B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)		
Hard Edits	SAS Label		
	Peripapillary atrophy, worse eye		

**English Text:** This variables provides information on the presence or absence of peripapillary atrophy, defined as retinal-choroidal atrophic area around the disc, from the worse eye.

**English Instructions:** Can combine 0=No and 1=Questionable to define absent.

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	No	2215	2215	
1	Questionable	71	2286	
2	Yes	195	2481	
	Missing	453	2934	

OPDUASHY	Target		
	B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)		
Hard Edits	SAS Label		
	Asteroid Hyalosis, worse eye		

**English Text:** This variable provides information on the presence or absence of Asteroid Hyalosis, soap-like crystals floating in the vitreous cavity in front of the retina, which can obstruct the view of retinal lesions, from the worse eye.

**English Instructions:** Can combine 0=No and 1=Questionable to define absent; 2=Yes and 3=Yes, in center to define present.

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	No	2461	2461	
1	Questionable	10	2471	
2	Yes	12	2483	
3	Yes, in center	1	2484	
	Missing	450	2934	

OPDUCHRA	Target
012001111	B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)
Hard Edits	SAS Label
	Chorioretinal abnormality, worse eye

**English Text:** This variable provides information on the presence or absence of any chorioretinal abnormality from the worse eye.

**English Instructions:** Can combine 0=No and 1=Questionable to define absent; 2=Yes and 3=Yes, in center to define present.

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	No	2471	2471	
1	Questionable	1	2472	
2	Yes	7	2479	
3	Yes, in center	0	2479	
	Missing	455	2934	

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of Definitent	B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)		
Hard Edits	SAS Label		
	Macular hole, worse eye		

**English Text:** This variable provides information on the presence or absence of a macular hole, a round sharply defined hole involving the center of the macula, resulting in a decrease in visual acuity, from the worse eye.

**English Instructions:** Can combine 0=No and 1=Questionable to define absent. Can analyze with visual acuity data.

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	No	2429	2429	
1	Questionable	6	2435	
2	Yes	4	2439	
	Missing	495	2934	

OPDUCHN	Target	
	B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)	
Hard Edits	SAS Label	
	Choroidal nevus, worse eye	

**English Text:** This variable provides information on the presence or absence of choroidal nevus, a localized increase in the number of pigment bearing cells in choroid, usually round or oval in shape, from the worse eye.

**English Instructions:** Can combine 0=No and 1=Questionable to define absent; ; 2=Yes and 3=Yes, in center to define present.

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	No	2314	2314	
1	Questionable	51	2365	
2	Yes	109	2474	
3	Yes, in center	0	2474	
	Missing	460	2934	

OPDUOTRX	Target
orbeotha	B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)
Hard Edits	SAS Label
	Any other treatment, worse eye

**English Text:** This variable provides information on the presence or absence of any other laser treatment for other conditions (i.e. local treatment for retinal detachment), from the worse eye.

**English Instructions:** Can combine 0=No and 1=Questionable to define absent; ; 2=Yes and 3=Yes, in center to define present.

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	No	2479	2479	
1	Questionable	0	2479	
2	Yes	2	2481	
3	Yes, in center	0	2481	
	Missing	453	2934	

OPDUPOHS	Target	
	B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)	
Hard Edits	SAS Label	
	Histoplasmosis syndrome, worse eye	

**English Text:** This variable provides information on the presence or absence of Presumed Ocular Histoplasmosis Syndrome, which usually manifests by peripapillary atrophic scars, focal round chorioretinal active lesions or punched out scars, from the worse eye.

**English Instructions:** Can combine 0=No and 1=Questionable to define absent; 2=Yes and 3=Yes, in center to define present.

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	No	2480	2480	
1	Questionable	1	2481	
2	Yes	0	2481	
3	Yes, in center	0	2481	
•	Missing	453	2934	

OPDURDET	Target	
01201221	B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)	
Hard Edits	SAS Label	
	Retinal detachment, worse eye	

**English Text:** This variable provides information on the presence or absence of traction or traumatic retinal detachment (not ARM Pigment Epithelial Detachment), from the worse eye.

**English Instructions:** Can combine 0=No and 1=Questionable to define absent; 2=Yes and 3=Yes, in center to define present.

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	No	2468	2468	
1	Questionable	3	2471	
2	Yes	8	2479	
3	Yes, in center	0	2479	
	Missing	455	2934	

OPDUSWR	Target	
01200111	B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)	
Hard Edits	SAS Label	
	SW, cellophane changes, worse eye	

**English Text:** This variable provides information on the presence or absence of epiretinal membrane (cellophane changes), from the worse eye. Epiretinal membrane (cellophane changes) refers to a patch or patches of irregular increased reflection on the inner surface of the retina due to membrane cellophane changes only with no traction.

**English Instructions:** Can combine with epiretinal membrane (traction changes) variable (OPDUSWRT). Can combine 0=No and 1=Questionable to define absent; 2=Yes and 3=Yes, in center to define present.

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	No	1895	1895	
1	Questionable	62	1957	
2	Yes	456	2413	
3	Yes, in center	38	2451	
	Missing	483	2934	

OPDUSWRT	Target	
012050011	B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)	
Hard Edits	SAS Label	
	SW, traction changes, worse eye	

**English Text:** This variable provides information on the presence or absence of epiretinal membrane (retinal traction changes), from the worse eye. Epiretinal membrane (retinal traction changes) refers to a patch or patches of irregular increased reflection on the inner surface of the retina due to retinal traction changes of the membrane.

**English Instructions:** Can combine with epiretinal membrane cellophane changes, variable OPDUSWR. Can combine 0=No and 1=Questionable to define absent; 2=Yes and 3=Yes, in center to define present.

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	No	2357	2357	
1	Questionable	19	2376	
2	Yes	55	2431	
3	Yes, in center	15	2446	
•	Missing	488	2934	

OPDUOTHC	Target
orzeorne	B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)
Hard Edits	SAS Label
	Other ocular conditions, worse eye

**English Text:** This variable provides information of other ocular conditions not graded elsewhere, from the worse eye.

# **English Instructions:**

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	No	2347	2347	
1	Questionable	18	2365	
2	Yes	115	2480	
3	Yes, in center	0	2480	
•	Missing	454	2934	

OPDDRET	Target
0122121	B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)
Hard Edits	SAS Label
	Retinopathy level, right eye.

English Text: Calculated levels of retinopathy severity, right eye.

**English Instructions:** Calculated severity levels are described in more detail in the NHANES Grading Protocol, Retinopathy section. HE=HARD EXUDATES; SE=SOFT EXUDATE; IRMA=INTRARETINAL MICROVASCULAR ABNORMALITIES; VL=VENOUS LOOPS; MAS=MICROANEURYSMS; HEM=HEMORRHAGES; NPR=NON-PROLIFERATIVE RETINOPATHY; RET=RETINOPATHY; PRP LASER=PANRETINAL PHOTOCOAGULATION SCARS PRESENT; PR=PROLIFERATIVE RETINOPATHY; HRC=HIGH RISK CHARACTERISTICS AS DEFINED IN THE EARLY TREATMENT DIABETIC RETINOPATHY STUDY; AND VH=VITREOUS HEMORRHAGE Note: Retinopathy is graded masked to diabetes status and retinopathy may be found in persons with and without diabetes (even though value labels may indicate otherwise). Level 12 is indicated when specific nondiabetic disease, e.g. retinal vein occlusion, is present. To examine retinopathy in persons with diabetes use the diabetes definition found in the NHANES Grading Protocol; to examine in nondiabetic persons exclude all persons with diabetes.

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item	
10	No retinopathy	2105			
12	Non-diabetic retinal disease specific retinopathy	24	2129		
13	Questionable retinopathy	59	2188		
14	HE, SE, IRMA, VL but no MAS	7	2195		
15	HEM only, no MAS	35	2230		
20	MAS only	83	2313		
31	Early NPR	38	2351		
41	Moderate NPR	42	2393	2393	
51	Severe NPR	Severe NPR     4     2397			
60	Fibrous prolif. only	Fibrous prolif. only 3 2400			
61	No retinopathy but PRP laser	0	2400		
62	MAS only + PRP laser	0	2400		
63	Early NPR + PRP laser	2	2402		
64	Moderate/severe NPR + PRP laser	+ PRP 1 2403			
65	PR < HRC	3	2406		
70	PR >= HRC	0	2406		
80	Total VH	0	2406		
•	Missing	528	2934		

OPDDRL4	Target	
	B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)	
Hard Edits	SAS Label	
	4 levels retinopathy severity, right eye	

**English Text:** This variable provides information on four levels of retinopathy severity, from the right eye.

**English Instructions:** Four levels of retinopathy severity are calculated from variable OPDDRET: 1=LEVELS 10-13; 2=LEVELS 14-31; 3=LEVELS 41-51; 4=LEVELS 60-80 This variable is often used in examining associations with retinopathy severity. To collapse further 1=No Retinopathy ; 2-4=Retinopathy; For a No Proliferative Retinopathy vs. Proliferative analysis, combine 1-3 as Non-Proliferative.

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
1	No retinopathy	2188	2188	
2	Mild NPR	163	2351	
3	Moderate/severe NPR	46	2397	
4	PR (Proliferative)	9	2406	
	Missing	528	2934	

OPDDARMA		Target				
			B(40 Yrs.	to 150 Yrs.)		
Hard Edits		SAS Label				
			Any retinopa	athy, right eye		
English Text: This fie	English Text: This field is coded for the presence or absence of any retinopathy from the right eye.				right eye.	
<b>English Instructions:</b> <14; 1(Yes)=LEVELS		iable is computed from the OPDDRET variable as follows: 0(No)=LEVELS			0(No)=LEVELS	
Code or Value	Γ	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item	
0		No	2188	2188		
1		Yes	218	2406		
•		Missing	528	2934		

OPDDHMA	Target
	B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)
Hard Edits	SAS Label
	MAS, HEM, right eye

**English Text:** This summary variable provides information on describing microaneurysms (MAS) only, blot hemorrhages (HEM) only, or both using two severity levels using the ETDRS standard 2A, right eye.

**English Instructions:** Value 5 is more severe than value 4. For MAS only, see variable OPDDMA. For HEM only, see variable OPDDHEM. Combined MAS and/or HEM would include values 2 to 5 as present and values 0 & 1 as none.

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	None	2123	2123	
1	Questionable	58	2181	
2	MAS only	105	2286	
3	HEM only	45	2331	
4	HEM+MAS < 2A	76	2407	
5	HEM+MAS >= 2A	3	2410	
	Missing	524	2934	

OPDDMA		Target			
		B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)			
Hard Edits		SAS Label			
		Retinal microaneurysms, right eye			
<b>English Text:</b> This variable provides information only on eyes with retinal microaneurysms and no retinal blot hemorrhage, right eye.					
		able is calculated as being present (1=YES) if variable OPDDHMA=2 and 0 or 1. For eyes with any microaneurysms, recode from OPDDHMA.			
Code or Value	Ι	Description Count Cumulative Skip to Item			
0		No	2181	2181	
1		Yes	105	2286	

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OPDDHEM	Target	
012211111	B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)	
Hard Edits	SAS Label	
	Retinal blot hemorrhages, right eye	

**English Text:** This variable provides information only on eyes with retinal blot hemorrhages and no microaneurysms in the right eye.

**English Instructions:** This variable is computed as present (1=YES) from OPDDHMA variable code=3 and absent (0=NO) from OPDDHMA variable code=0 or 1. For eyes with any retinal blot hemorrhages, recode from OPDDHMA.

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	No	2181	2181	
1	Yes	45	2226	
	Missing	708	2934	

OPDDHE	Target	
() DDIIL	B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)	
Hard Edits	SAS Label	
	Retinal hard exudate, right eye	

**English Text:** This variable provides information on the presence or absence of hard exudate in the right eye. Hard exudate is a result of lipoprotein deposition in the retina and is usually associated with macular edema.

**English Instructions:** Can combine code 0=No and 1=Questionable for absent.

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	No	2355	2355	
1	Questionable	10	2365	
2	Yes	43	2408	
	Missing	526	2934	

OPDDSE	Target	
	B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)	
Hard Edits	SAS Label	
	Retinal soft exudate, right eye	

**English Text:** This variable provides information on the presence or absence of soft exudate in the right eye. Soft exudate, sometimes called cotton wool spot, is due to retinal nerve fiber layer infarction, a result of retinal ischemia.

English	Instructions: (	Can combine	code 0=No an	nd 1=Questionable	for absent.

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	No	2350	2350	
1	Questionable	8	2358	
2	Yes	50	2408	
•	Missing	526	2934	

OPDDIRMA	Target
	B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)
Hard Edits	SAS Label
	IRMA, right eye

**English Text:** This variable provides information on the presence or absence of Intraretinal Microvascular Abnormalities (IRMA), from the right eye. IRMA are retinal collateral vessels in areas of retinal ischemia indicating a more severe level of retinopathy. This variable is coded using the ETDRS photo standard, 8A. Eyes with IRMA>=8A have more severe disease than eyes with standard <8A.

**English Instructions:** Can combine code 0=None and 1=Questionable for IRMA absent and codes 2 & 3 for IRMA present.

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	None	2351	2351	
1	Questionable	21	2372	
2	< 8A	27	2399	
3	>= 8A	5	2404	
•	Missing	530	2934	

OPDDVB	Target		
	B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)		
Hard Edits	SAS Label		
	Retinal venous beading, right eye		

**English Text:** This variable provides information on the presence or absence of retinal venous beading from the right eye. Venous beading is a manifestation of severe retinal ischemia.

**English Instructions:** Can combine code 0=No and 1=Questionable for absent.

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	No	2416	2416	
1	Questionable	1	2417	
2	Yes	0	2417	
	Missing	517	2934	

OPDDNVO	Target	
	B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)	
Hard Edits	SAS Label	
	Retinal new vessels on disc, right eye	

**English Text:** This variable provides information on the presence or absence of retinal new vessels on the optic disc area, from the right eye. Retinal new vessels on the optic disc area are a manifestation of proliferative retinopathy due to retinal ischemia. This variable is coded using the ETDRS photo standard, 10A. Eyes with standard>=10A have more severe vessels than eyes with standard <10A.

**English Instructions:** When combined with other manifestations of proliferative retinopathy is equivalent to OPDDRL4=4 (Proliferative). Can combine code 0=None and 1=Questionable for absent; codes 2=<10A with 3=>=10A for present.

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	None	2427	2427	
1	Questionable	2	2429	
2	< 10A	1	2430	
3	>= 10A	0	2430	
•	Missing	504	2934	

OPDDNVE	Target				
	B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)				
Hard Edits	SAS Label				
	Retinal new vessels elsewhere, right eye				

**English Text:** This variable provides information on the presence or absence of retinal new vessels elsewhere outside the optic disc margin in the right eye. Retinal new vessels elsewhere outside the optic disc margin are a manifestation of proliferative retinopathy due to retinal ischemia. The more area affected, the more severe the disease.

**English Instructions:** When combined with other manifestations of proliferative retinopathy is equivalent to OPDDRL4=4 (Proliferative). Can combine code 0=None and 1=Questionable for absent and code 2=<1/2 DISC AREA with 3=>=1/2 DISC AREA for present.

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	None	2411	2411	
1	Questionable	3	2414	
2	< 1/2 Disc Area	2	2416	
3	>= 1/2 Disc Area	0	2416	
	Missing	518	2934	

OPDDRFP	Target			
	B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)			
Hard Edits	SAS Label			
	Retinal fibrous proliferation, right eye			

**English Text:** This variable provides information on the presence or absence of retinal fibrous proliferation in the right eye. Retinal fibrous proliferation is a manifestation of proliferative retinopathy due to retinal ischemia. The more area affected, the greater the disease.

**English Instructions:** FPD = Fibrous proliferation within the optic disc area; FPE = Fibrous proliferation elsewhere outside the optic disc margin. When combined with other manifestations of proliferative retinopathy is equivalent to OPDDRL4=4. Can combine code 0=None and 1=Questionable for absent; 2=FPD ONLY, 3=FPE ONLY, and 4=FPD + FPE for any present.

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	None	2415	2415	
1	Questionable	3	2418	
2	FPD only	0	2418	
3	FPE only	2	2420	
4	FPD + FPE	1	2421	
	Missing	513	2934	

OPDDPHVH	Target				
012211111	B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)				
Hard Edits	SAS Label				
	Pre-ret./ vitreous hemorrhage, right eye				

**English Text:** This variable provides information on the presence or absence of pre-retinal hemorrhage or vitreous hemorrhage in the right eye. Pre-retinal hemorrhage or vitreous hemorrhage is a manifestation of proliferative retinopathy due to retinal ischemia. The more area is affected, the more severe the disease.

**English Instructions:** When combined with other manifestations of proliferative retinopathy is equivalent to OPDDRL4=4. Can combine 0=None and 1=Questionable for absent and 2=<1 Disc Area and 3=>=1 Disc Area for present.

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	None	2421	2421	
1	Questionable	1	2422	
2	< 1 Disc Area	0	2422	
3	>= 1 Disc Area	0	2422	
	Missing	512	2934	

OPDDME	Target	
	B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)	
Hard Edits	SAS Label	
	Macular edema, right eye	

**English Text:** This variable provides information on the presence or absence of macular edema by clinical significance from the right eye. The definition for Clinically Significant Macular Edema (CSME), found in the NHANES Grading Protocol: CSME is considered present when edema involves the fovea or is within 500 microns of the fovea, or when a 1+disc area of edema is present with at least a portion of it within the macula.

**English Instructions:** Increased permeability of retinal capillaries and MAS may result in accumulation of extracellular fluid and thickening of normally compact retinal tissue called Macular Edema. In some cases, the macular edema becomes clinically significant. "OTHER" refers to evidence of macular edema associated with retinopathy often associated with a specific ocular or systemic condition (e.g. retinal vein occlusion). Can combine 0=No and 1=Questionable for absent; and 2=Yes, but not CSME and 3=Yes, CSME for any macular edema present; exclude 7 from analysis.

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	No	2343	2343	
1	Questionable	11	2354	
2	Yes, but not CSME	6	2360	
3	Yes CSME	15	2375	
7	Other	0	2375	
	Missing	559	2934	

OPDDMEC	Target
01220120	B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)
Hard Edits	SAS Label
	Macular edema in center, right eye

**English Text:** This variable provides information on the presence or absence of macular edema in the center from the right eye. Center involvement specifies involvement of the fovea by macular edema. Cysts indicate more severe involvement, usually associated with visual loss.

**English Instructions:** "OTHER" refers to evidence of macular edema associated with retinopathy often associated with a specific ocular or systemic condition (e.g. retinal vein occlusion). Can combine 0=None and 1=Questionable for absent; 2=Present and CSME and 3=CSME with cysts for any present central involvement; exclude 7 from analysis. Can combine with visual acuity data in corresponding eye.

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	None	2359	2359	
1	Questionable	5	2364	
2	Present and CSME	9	2373	
3	CSME with cysts	2	2375	
7	Other	0	2375	
	Missing	559	2934	

OPDDPPS	Target				
	B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)				
Hard Edits	SAS Label				
	Panret. photocoagulation scar, right eye				

**English Text:** This variable provides information on the presence or absence of panretinal photocoagulation scars in the right eye. Panretinal photocoagulation in a scatter pattern across the retina or in specific areas outside the macular area later results in scarring and is a surrogate for having had active severe disease. Local and/or scatter photocoagulation is usually done to prevent preretinal and vitreous hemorrhage or the development of retinal new vessels.

**English Instructions:** In the absence of retinopathy, is usually combined with other signs of proliferative retinopathy which may or may not be present (refer to OPDURET). Can combine 0=None and 1=Questionable/Incomplete for absent; and codes 2, 3, and 4 as present.

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	None	2409	2409	
1	Questionable/incomplete	2	2411	
2	Local	0	2411	
3	Scatter only	8	2419	
4	Scatter + local	0	2419	
	Missing	515	2934	

OPDDFOC	Target			
0122100	B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)			
Hard Edits	SAS Label			
	Focal photocoag. scars for ME, right eye			

**English Text:** This variable provides information on the presence or absence of focal laser photocoagulation from the right eye. It can appear either as treatment of leaking retinal microaneurysms (MA Rx only) or in a grid pattern in macula done for the treatment of localized or diffuse macular edema (Grid only), or sometimes together.

**English Instructions:** Can combine codes 0=None and 1=Questionable for absent and codes 2-4 (MA RX only, Grid Only, and MA RX + Grid Rx) for present.

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	None	2404	2404	
1	Questionable	1	2405	
2	MA RX only	12	2417	
3	Grid only	0	2417	
4	MA RX & Grid RX	0	2417	
	Missing	517	2934	

OPDDARM	Target	
	B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)	
Hard Edits	SAS Label	
	ARM, 3 severity levels, right eye	

**English Text:** This variable provides information on the 3-level severity classification of age-related macular degeneration (ARM) from the right eye. Early ARM is defined by presence or absence of drusen and/or pigmentary abnormalities; late ARM by exudative ARM signs and/or geographic atrophy.

#### English Instructions: Can combine codes 1=Early ARM and 2=Late ARM.

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	No ARM	2182	2182	
1	Early ARM	131	2313	
2	Late ARM	22	2335	
	Missing	599	2934	

OPDDPIGA	Target			
	B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)			
Hard Edits	SAS Label			
	Ret. & pigmentary abnorm., right eye			
English Text: This variable provides information on the presence or absence of increased retinal pigment				

and/or RPE depigmentation, a manifestation of early ARM in absence of signs of late ARM, from the right eye.

# **English Instructions:**

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	No	2230	2230	
1	Yes	108	2338	
	Missing	596	2934	

Target				
B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)				
SAS Label				
Late ARM, right eye				
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**English Text:** This variable provides information on the presence or absence of exudative ARM and/or geographic atrophy from the right eye.

**English Instructions:** Late ARM is defined by the presence of signs of exudative ARM and/or geographic atrophy.

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	No	2334	2334	
1	Yes	22	2356	
•	Missing	578	2934	

OPDDGA	Target			
0122.011	B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)			
Hard Edits	SAS Label			
	Geographic atrophy, right eye			

**English Text:** This variable provides information on the presence or absence of pure geographic atrophy in the absence of signs of Exudative ARM, right eye

#### **English Instructions:**

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	No	2334	2334	
1	Yes	17	2351	
	Missing	583	2934	

OPDDEXU	Target			
of DDLife	B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)			
Hard Edits	SAS Label			
	Exudative ARM, right eye			
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**English Text:** This variable provides information on the presence or absence of exudative ARM from the right eye.

**English Instructions:** Exudative ARM is also called neovascular ARM. Sometimes geographic atrophy is present.

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	No	2351	2351	
1	Yes	5	2356	
•	Missing	578	2934	

Target			
B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)			
SAS Label			
Excluded for ARM, right eye			

**English Text:** Was the right eye excluded for ARM?

**English Instructions:** ARM may not be ascertained for many reasons, refer to OPDDREA for the reason for ARM exclusion.

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	No	2360	2360	
1	Yes	35	2395	
	Missing	539	2934	

OPDDREA	Target
	B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)
Hard Edits	SAS Label
	Reason for ARM exclusion, right eye

**English Text:** If a condition exists in the macula which confounds the grader from evaluating Age Related Macular Degeneration (ARM) lesions from similar changes in the retina due to another process the eye is excluded (cannot grade) from evaluation of all ARM lesions from the right eye.

**English Instructions:** This variable lists reasons such as trauma, laser treatment, retinal vessel occlusion, retinal dystrophy, myopic degeneration, presumed ocular histoplasmosis or chorioretinal taxoplasmosis scar, nonspecific inflammatory retinal lesion, retinopathy of prematurity (ROP), non ARM retinal pigment epithelial abnormality, non ARM detachment, unknown, other, and/or a retinal coloboma or staphyloma.

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	None	2411	2411	
1	Trauma	0	2411	
2	Laser RX	15	2426	
3	Vessel occlusion	0	2426	
4	Macular dystrophy	1	2427	
5	Myopic degeneration	1	2428	
6	Histoplasmosis/toxoplasmosis	1	2429	
7	Inflammatory lesion	1	2430	
9	Retinopathy of prematurity	0	2430	
10	Non-ARM RPE abnormality	5	2435	
11	Non-ARM detachment	0	2435	
12	Unknown etiology	5	2440	
15	Other	6	2446	
16	Coloboma/staphyloma	0	2446	
99	No photos of eye	28	2474	
	Missing	460	2934	

OPDDHD	Target
0122112	B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)
Hard Edits	SAS Label
	Hard distinct drusen, right eye

English Text: This variable provides information on the presence or absence of hard distinct drusen, from the right eye.

**English Instructions:** Currently considered not to be a sign of ARM by itself.

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	No	1171	1171	
1	Yes	1172	2343	
	Missing	591	2934	

OPDDD125			Target			
			B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)			
Hard Edits	5	SAS Label				
		Drusen>=125 microns, right eye				
<ul><li>English Text: This variable provides information on the presence or absence of large drusen, greater than or equal to 125 microns in diameter, from the right eye.</li><li>English Instructions: Large drusen are considered a sign of early ARM.</li></ul>						
Code or Value	I	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item	
0		No	2178	2178		
1		Yes	169	2347		
•		Missing	587	2934		

OPDDD500	Target			
	B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)			
Hard Edits	SAS Label			
	Drusen>=500 microns, right eye			

**English Text:** This variable provides information on the presence or absence of large drusen, greater than or equal to 500 microns in diameter, from the right eye.

**English Instructions:** Large drusen covering more area indicates more involvement in the macula area.

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	No	2260	2260	
1	Yes	83	2343	
	Missing	591	2934	

OPDDASD		Target				
		B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)				
Hard Edits		SAS Label				
		Any soft drusen, right eye				
<b>English Text:</b> This variable provides information on the presence or absence of any soft indistinct and/or soft distinct drusen from the right eye.						
<b>English Instructions:</b>	English Instructions:					
Code or Value	De	Description Count Cumulative Skip to Item				
0		No	2070	2070		

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OPDDSDD	Target
	B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)
Hard Edits	SAS Label
	Soft distinct drusen, right eye

**English Text:** This variable provides information on the presence or absence of soft distinct drusen, from the right eye.

English Instructions: Soft distinct drusen is a less severe type of drusen than soft indistinct drusen.

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	No	2095	2095	
1	Yes	253	2348	
	Missing	586	2934	

OPDDSID		Target				
		B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)				
Hard Edits		SAS Label				
		Soft indistinct drusen, right eye				
<b>English Text:</b> This variable provides information on the presence or absence of soft indistinct drusen from the right eye.						
English Instructions: Soft indistinct drusen is a more severe type of drusen than soft distinct drusen.						
Code or Value	I	Description Count Cumulative Skip to Item				
0		No	2247	2247		

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Yes

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OPDDIRP	Target				
	B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)				
Hard Edits	SAS Label				
	Increased retinal pigment, right eye				

**English Text:** This variable provides information on the presence or absence of increased retinal pigment due to disruption of the retinal pigment epithelium in early ARM, from the right eye.

# **English Instructions:**

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Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	No	2232	2232	
1	Yes	105	2337	
	Missing	597	2934	

OPDDRPE		Target					
		B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)					
Hard Edits		SAS Label					
		RPE depigmentation, right eye					
<b>English Text:</b> This variable provides information on the presence or absence of decreased retinal pigmentation due to disruption of the retinal pigment epithelium in early ARM, from the right eye.							
English Instructions:							
Code or Value	Ι	Description Count Cumulative Skip to Item					
0		No	2279	2279			
1		Yes	54	2333			

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OPDDAGA	Target
012211011	B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)
Hard Edits	SAS Label
	Any geographic atrophy, right eye

**English Text:** This variable provides information on the presence or absence of any geographic atrophy from the right eye.

**English Instructions:** This variable differs from the pure geographic atrophy variable, OPDDGA, because exudative ARM may be present concurrently in which case OPDDGA may result from exudative ARM and/or its treatment.

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	No	2337	2337	
1	Yes	19	2356	
	Missing	578	2934	

OPDDPED	Target		
	B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)		
Hard Edits	SAS Label		
	RPE/sensory ret. detachment, right eye		

**English Text:** This variable provides information on the presence or absence of Retinal Pigment Epithelial detachment/ Sensory Retinal detachment, a sign of exudative ARM, from the right eye.

## **English Instructions:**

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	No	2351	2351	
1	Yes	4	2355	
	Missing	579	2934	

OPDDSNV	Target	
01225111	B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)	
Hard Edits	SAS Label	
	Subretinal new vessels, right eye	

**English Text:** This variable provides information on the presence or absence of subretinal new vessels, a sign of exudative ARM, from the right eye.

# **English Instructions:**

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Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	No	2354	2354	
1	Yes	1	2355	
	Missing	579	2934	

OPDDSUBI	1	Target   B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)			
01225021					
Hard Edits		SAS Label			
		Subretinal hem	orrhage, right eye		
<b>English Text:</b> This va of exudative ARM, from	±	vides information on the presence or absence of subretinal hemorrhage, a sign ht eye.			
English Instructions:	English Instructions:				
Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item	
0	No	2352	2352		
1	Yes	3	2355		

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OPDDSFS	Target
0122010	B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)
Hard Edits	SAS Label
	Subretinal fibrous scar, right eye

**English Text:** This variable provides information on the presence or absence of subretinal fibrous scar, a sign of exudative ARM, from the right eye.

### **English Instructions:**

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	No	2354	2354	
1	Yes	2	2356	
	Missing	578	2934	

OPDDARMX	Target	
	B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)	
Hard Edits	SAS Label	
	Treatment for ARM, right eye	
English Text: This variable provides information on the presence or absence of 3 types of treatment for		

exudative ARM in the right eye: laser, photodynamic and/or thermal treatment. The presence or absence of these treatments is a sign of exudative ARM.

### **English Instructions:**

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	No	2356	2356	
1	Yes	0	2356	
•	Missing	578	2934	

OPDDBCO	Target
0122200	B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)
Hard Edits	SAS Label
	Retinal artery occlusion, right eye

**English Text:** This variable provides information on the presence or absence of retinal artery occlusion (branch or central), a blockage of retinal arteriole or artery resulting infarction of the retina, from the right eye.

**English Instructions:** Can combine codes 0=No and 1=Questionable to define absent; 2=Yes and 3=Yes, in center, to define present.

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	No	2437	2437	
1	Questionable	2	2439	
2	Yes	0	2439	
3	Yes, in center	0	2439	
	Missing	495	2934	

OPDDBVO	Target
	B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)
Hard Edits	SAS Label
	Retinal branch vein occlusion, right eye

**English Text:** This variable provides information on the presence or absence of retinal branch vein occlusion, a blockage of retinal branch venule (level 12 in the retinopathy severity scale, variable OPDURET), from the right eye.

**English Instructions:** Can combine with retinal central vein occlusion (OPDDCVO) to get retinal vein occlusion. Can combine 0=No and 1=Questionable to define absent; 2=Yes and 3=Yes, in center to define present.

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	No	2425	2425	
1	Questionable	2	2427	
2	Yes	8	2435	
3	Yes, in center	0	2435	
	Missing	499	2934	

OPDDCVO	Target	
0122010	B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)	
Hard Edits	SAS Label	
	Ret. central vein occlusion, right eye	

**English Text:** This variable provides information on the presence or absence of retinal central vein occlusion (RCVO) from the right eye; blockage of the retinal central vein (level 12 in the retinal severity scale variable, OPDDRET).

**English Instructions:** Can combine with retinal branch vein occlusion (OPDDBVO) to get retinal vein occlusion. Can combine 0=No and 1=Questionable to define absent; 2=Yes and 3=Yes, in center to define present.

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	No	2439	2439	
1	Questionable	1	2440	
2	Yes	0	2440	
3	Yes, in center	0	2440	
	Missing	494	2934	

OPDDAVN	Target	
01221111	B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)	
Hard Edits	SAS Label	
	Retinal AV nicking, right eye	

**English Text:** This variable provides information on the presence or absence of retinal arterio-venous nicking, a pinching of the vein at an artery crossing, from the right eye. May be secondary to hypertension. Refer to the NHANES Detailed Grading Protocol for more details.

**English Instructions:** Can combine 0=No and 1=Questionable to define absent.

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	No	1916	1916	
1	Questionable	349	2265	
2	Yes	165	2430	
-	Missing	504	2934	

OPDDFAN	Target	
01221111	B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)	
Hard Edits	SAS Label	
	Focal arteriolar narrowing, right eye	

**English Text:** This variable provides information on the presence or absence of retinal focal arteriolar narrowing, focal pinching or narrowing of the arteriole, from the right eye. May be secondary to hypertension. Refer to the NHANES Detailed Grading Protocol for more details.

**English Instructions:** Can combine 0=No and 1=Questionable to define absent.

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	No	2308	2308	
1	Questionable	91	2399	
2	Yes	22	2421	
•	Missing	513	2934	

OPDDHOLL	Target	
of DDiroll	B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)	
Hard Edits	SAS Label	
	Hollenhorst plaque, right eye	

**English Text:** This variable provides information on the presence or absence of retinal arteriolar embolus (Hollenhorst plaque), from the worse eye. Usually fibrin or cholesterol embolus seen in retinal arterioles, often at a bifurcation of the vessel.

**English Instructions:** Can combine 0=No and 1=Questionable to define absent.

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	No	2427	2427	
1	Questionable	3	2430	
2	Yes	5	2435	
	Missing	499	2934	

OPDDPPA	Target		
01221111	B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)		
Hard Edits	SAS Label		
	Peripapillary atrophy, right eye		

**English Text:** This variables provides information on the presence or absence of peripapillary atrophy, defined as retinal-choroidal atrophic area around the disc, from the right eye.

**English Instructions:** Can combine 0=No and 1=Questionable to define absent.

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	No	2234	2234	
1	Questionable	54	2288	
2	Yes	149	2437	
	Missing	497	2934	

OPDDASHY	Target	
	B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)	
Hard Edits	SAS Label	
	Asteroid Hyalosis, right eye	

**English Text:** This variable provides information on the presence or absence of Asteroid Hyalosis, soap-like crystals floating in the vitreous cavity in front of the retina, which can obstruct the view of retinal lesions, from the right eye.

**English Instructions:** Can combine 0=No and 1=Questionable to define absent; 2=Yes and 3=Yes, in center to define present.

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	No	2435	2435	
1	Questionable	5	2440	
2	Yes	4	2444	
3	Yes, in center	1	2445	
	Missing	489	2934	

OPDDCHRA	Target	
012201111	B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)	
Hard Edits	SAS Label	
	Chorioretinal abnormality, right eye	

**English Text:** This variable provides information on the presence or absence of any chorioretinal abnormality from the right eye.

**English Instructions:** Can combine 0=No and 1=Questionable to define absent; 2=Yes and 3=Yes, in center to define present.

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	No	2434	2434	
1	Questionable	0	2434	
2	Yes	3	2437	
3	Yes, in center	0	2437	
	Missing	497	2934	

OPDDMACH	Target	
	B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)	
Hard Edits	SAS Label	
	Macular hole, right eye	

**English Text:** This variable provides information on the presence or absence of a macular hole, a round sharply defined hole involving the center of the macula, resulting in a decrease in visual acuity, from the right eye.

**English Instructions:** Can combine 0=No and 1=Questionable to define absent. Can analyze with visual acuity data.

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	No	2371	2371	
1	Questionable	5	2376	
2	Yes	2	2378	
	Missing	556	2934	

OPDDCHN	Target
	B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)
Hard Edits	SAS Label
	Choroidal nevus, right eye

**English Text:** This variable provides information on the presence or absence of choroidal nevus, a localized increase in the number of pigment bearing cells in choroid, usually round or oval in shape, from the right eye.

**English Instructions:** Can combine 0=No and 1=Questionable to define absent; ; 2=Yes and 3=Yes, in center to define present.

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	No	2353	2353	
1	Questionable	23	2376	
2	Yes	57	2433	
3	Yes, in center	0	2433	
	Missing	501	2934	

OPDDOTRX	Target
	B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)
Hard Edits	SAS Label
	Any other treatment, right eye

**English Text:** This variable provides information on the presence or absence of any other laser treatment for other conditions (i.e. local treatment for retinal detachment), from the right eye.

**English Instructions:** Can combine 0=No and 1=Questionable to define absent; ; 2=Yes and 3=Yes, in center to define present.

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	No	2438	2438	
1	Questionable	0	2438	
2	Yes	1	2439	
3	Yes, in center	0	2439	
	Missing	495	2934	

OPDDPOHS	Target
	B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)
Hard Edits	SAS Label
	Histoplasmosis syndrome, right eye

**English Text:** This variable provides information on the presence or absence of Presumed Ocular Histoplasmosis Syndrome, which usually manifests by peripapillary atrophic scars, focal round chorioretinal active lesions or punched out scars, from the right eye.

**English Instructions:** Can combine 0=No and 1=Questionable to define absent; 2=Yes and 3=Yes, in center to define present.

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	No	2439	2439	
1	Questionable	0	2439	
2	Yes	0	2439	
3	Yes, in center	0	2439	
•	Missing	495	2934	

OPDDRDET	Target
	B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)
Hard Edits	SAS Label
	Retinal detachment, right eye

**English Text:** This variable provides information on the presence or absence of traction or traumatic retinal detachment (not ARM Pigment Epithelial Detachment), from the right eye.

**English Instructions:** Can combine 0=No and 1=Questionable to define absent; 2=Yes and 3=Yes, in center to define present.

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	No	2431	2431	
1	Questionable	2	2433	
2	Yes	4	2437	
3	Yes, in center	0	2437	
	Missing	497	2934	

OPDDSWR	Target	
01225.001	B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)	
Hard Edits	SAS Label	
	SW, cellophane changes, right eye	

**English Text:** This variable provides information on the presence or absence of epiretinal membrane (cellophane changes), from the right eye. Epiretinal membrane (cellophane changes) refers to a patch or patches of irregular increased reflection on the inner surface of the retina due to membrane cellophane changes only with no traction.

**English Instructions:** Can combine with epiretinal membrane (traction changes) variable (OPDDSWRT). Can combine 0=No and 1=Questionable to define absent; 2=Yes and 3=Yes, in center to define present.

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	No	2016	2016	
1	Questionable	41	2057	
2	Yes	313	2370	
3	Yes, in center	16	2386	
	Missing	548	2934	

OPDDSWRT	Target
012251181	B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)
Hard Edits	SAS Label
	SW, traction changes, right eye

**English Text:** This variable provides information on the presence or absence of epiretinal membrane (retinal traction changes), from the right eye. Epiretinal membrane (retinal traction changes) refers to a patch or patches of irregular increased reflection on the inner surface of the retina due to retinal traction changes of the membrane.

**English Instructions:** Can combine with epiretinal membrane cellophane changes, variable OPDDSWR. Can combine 0=No and 1=Questionable to define absent; 2=Yes and 3=Yes, in center to define present.

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	No	2338	2338	
1	Questionable	11	2349	
2	Yes	27	2376	
3	Yes, in center	8	2384	
•	Missing	550	2934	

OPDDOTHC	Target
012201110	B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)
Hard Edits	SAS Label
	Other ocular conditions, right eye

**English Text:** This variable provides information of other ocular conditions not graded elsewhere, from the right eye.

# **English Instructions:**

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	No	2345	2345	
1	Questionable	15	2360	
2	Yes	78	2438	
3	Yes, in center	0	2438	
•	Missing	496	2934	

OPDDVCDR		Target				
			B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)			
Hard Edits		SAS Label				
				Vertical cup disc ratio, right eye		
English Text: This va	riable provi	les the vertical cup to disc ratio, in microns, from the right eye.				
<b>English Instructions:</b>	The vertica	al cup to disc ratio is	from 0 to 1.0.			
Code or Value	I	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item	
0.12 to 0.92 Rat		nge of Values	2403	2403		
		Missing	531	2934		

OPXSCOMP	Target				
	B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)				
Hard Edits	SAS Label				
	Are field 1 & field 2 present, left eye				
English Text: Are field 1 & field 2 present, left eye?					
	analy of the photo. If field 1 or field 2 are missing the photos will be				

**English Instructions:** Completeness of the photo. If field 1 or field 2 are missing, the photos will be incomplete.

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	No photos	20	20	
1	Incomplete	110	130	
2	Complete	2374	2504	
	Missing	430	2934	

OPXSF1		Target				
			B(40 Yrs.	to 150 Yrs.)		
Hard Edits			SAS Label			
			Field 1 Pres	sent, Left Eye		
English Text: Is field	English Text: Is field 1 present in the photos of the left eye?					
<b>English Instructions:</b>	If present,	there is a gradability	value, OPXSGRE	BL.		
Code or Value		Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item	
0 Absent		Absent	103	103		
2		Present	2401	2504		
		Missing	430	2934		

OPXSF1FO		Target					
01 / 01 / 01 / 0		B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)					
Hard Edits		SAS	5 Label				
		Field 1 Fo	cus, Left Eye				
English Text: Was the op	ptic nerve in focus from the	left eye?					
English Instructions:							
Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item			
0	Good/fair	2204	2204				
1	Borderline	Borderline 151 2355					
2 Poor		46	2401				
	Missing	533	2934				

OPXSF2		Target				
			B(40 Yrs.	to 150 Yrs.)		
Hard Edits			SAS	Label		
			Field 2 Pres	ent, Left Eye		
English Text: Is field	English Text: Is field 2 present, Left Eye?					
<b>English Instructions:</b> measurable in this eye		1 1	•		id ME may not be	
Code or Value	Ι	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item	
0 Absent			43	43		
2		Present	2461	2504		
		Missing	430	2934		

OPXSF2FO		Target					
01 A01 21 0		B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)					
Hard Edits SAS Label			5 Label				
		Field 2 Fo	cus, Left Eye				
English Text: Field 2 F	ocus, Left eye						
English Instructions: V	Was the Macula Image in Foc	us from the left eye	e?				
Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item			
0	Good/fair	2172	2172				
1	Borderline	Borderline 204 2376					
2	Poor	85	2461				
	Missing	473	2934				

OPXSGRBL	Target
	B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)
Hard Edits	SAS Label
	Gradability of images, Left Eye

**English Text:** Gradability of images, left eye. This assumes at least one digital image of the left eye is available.

**English Instructions:** 0=All fields are gradable; 1=Disc is ungradable; 2=Portion of the macula is ungradable; 4= Portion of the disc and macula are ungradable; 5=Disc and macula are ungradable; 6= All available fields are ungradable. Please refer to the NHANES Digital Retinal Image Grading Protocol for more details and definitions.

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	Gradable	2271	2271	
1	Disc ungradable	6	2277	
2	Part macula	105	2382	
3	Macula ungradable	68	2450	
4	Part disc & macula	7	2457	
5	Disc & macula ungradable	10	2467	
6	Ungradable	17	2484	
	Missing	450	2934	

OPXSPMM		Target			
		B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)			
Hard Edits		SAS Label			
			Pupil Size	e, Left Eye	
English Text:					
<b>English Instructions:</b>					
Code or Value		Description Count Cumulative Skip to Item			
1 to 6	Ra	nge of Values	2369	2369	
•		Missing	565	2934	

OPXSPHPR		Target			
		B(40 Y	rs. to 150 Yrs.)		
Hard Edits		SAS Label			
		Photo Pro	oblems, Left Eye		
English Text: Photo Pro	oblems				
<b>English Instructions:</b> V	Vere there problems	with the quality of the im	ages from the left ey	ve?	
Code or Value	Description	n Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item	
0	No	1274	1274		
2	Yes	1210	2484		
9	No photos of eye		2504		
	Missing	430	2934		

OPXSPHIL		Target			
		B(40 Yrs.	to 150 Yrs.)		
Hard Edits		SAS Label			
		Photo Prob - Illumination, Left Eye			
English Text: Photo Pr	oblem - Illumination	Illumination			
English Instructions:					
Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item	
0	No	1994	1994		
2	Yes	Yes 490 2484			
9	9 No photos of eye		2504		
	Missing	430	2934		

OPXSPHFD		Target			
		B(40 Yrs.	to 150 Yrs.)		
Hard Edits		SAS Label			
		Photo Prob - Field	Definition, Left E	ye	
English Text: Photo Pro	oblem - Field Definition				
English Instructions:					
Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item	
0	No	2379	2379		
2	Yes	Yes 105 2484			
9	No photos of eye	20	2504		
	Missing	430	2934		

OPXSPHHZ		Target			
0		B(40 Yrs.	to 150 Yrs.)		
Hard Edits		SAS Label			
		Photo Prob -	Haze, Left Eye		
English Text: Photo Pr	oblem - Haze				
English Instructions:					
Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item	
0	No	1765	1765		
2	Yes	Yes 719 2484			
9	No photos of eye	20	2504		
	Missing	430	2934		

OPXSPHDD		Target			
		B(40 Yrs.	to 150 Yrs.)		
Hard Edits		SAS Label			
		Photo Prob - D	ust/Dirt, Left Eye		
English Text: Photo Pro	oblem - Dust/Dirt				
English Instructions:					
Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item	
0	No	2196	2196		
2	Yes	Yes 288 2484			
9	9 No photos of eye		2504		
	Missing	430	2934		

OPXSPHLA		Target			
0111011111	-		B(40 Yrs.	to 150 Yrs.)	
Hard Edits		SAS Label			
		Photo Prob - Lashes, Left Eye			
English Text: Photo P	roblem - La	ashes			
<b>English Instructions:</b>					
Code or Value	Ι	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0		No	2370	2370	
2		Yes 114 2484			
9	No	photos of eye	20	2504	
· .		Missing	430	2934	

OPXSPHAR		Target			
01101111		B(40 Yrs.	to 150 Yrs.)		
Hard Edits		SAS Label			
		Photo Prob	- Arc, Left Eye		
English Text: Photo Pro	oblem - Arc				
<b>English Instructions:</b>					
Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item	
0	No	2407	2407		
2	Yes	Yes 77 2484			
9	9 No photos of eye		2504		
	Missing	430	2934		

OPXSPHRC		Target			
		B(40 Yrs.	to 150 Yrs.)		
Hard Edits		SAS Label			
		Photo Prob - Red Channel, Left Eye			
English Text: Photo Pro	blem - Red Channel				
English Instructions:					
Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item	
0	No	2480	2480		
2	Yes	Yes 4 2484			
9	No photos of eye	photos of eye 20 2504			
•	Missing	430	2934		

OPXSPHOT		Target			
			B(40 Yrs.	to 150 Yrs.)	
Hard Edits		SAS Label			
			Photo Prob -	Other, Left Eye	
English Text: Photo P	roblem - O	ther			
<b>English Instructions:</b>	If other is a	coded describe the p	roblem or artifact	from the left eye.	
Code or Value	I	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0		No	1901	1901	
2		Yes 583 2484			
9	No	photos of eye	20	2504	
•		Missing	430	2934	

OPDSRET	Target
	B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)
Hard Edits	SAS Label
	Retinopathy level, left eye.

English Text: Calculated levels of retinopathy severity, left eye.

**English Instructions:** Calculated severity levels are described in more detail in the NHANES Grading Protocol, Retinopathy section. HE=HARD EXUDATES; SE=SOFT EXUDATE; IRMA=INTRARETINAL MICROVASCULAR ABNORMALITIES; VL=VENOUS LOOPS; MAS=MICROANEURYSMS; HEM=HEMORRHAGES; NPR=NON-PROLIFERATIVE RETINOPATHY; RET=RETINOPATHY; PRP LASER=PANRETINAL PHOTOCOAGULATION SCARS PRESENT; PR=PROLIFERATIVE RETINOPATHY; HRC=HIGH RISK CHARACTERISTICS AS DEFINED IN THE EARLY TREATMENT DIABETIC RETINOPATHY STUDY; AND VH=VITREOUS HEMORRHAGE Note: Retinopathy is graded masked to diabetes status and retinopathy may be found in persons with and without diabetes (even though value labels may indicate otherwise). Level 12 is indicated when specific nondiabetic disease, e.g. retinal vein occlusion, is present. To examine retinopathy in persons with diabetes use the diabetes definition found in the NHANES Grading Protocol; to examine in nondiabetic persons exclude all persons with diabetes.

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
10	No retinopathy	2124	2124	
12	Non-diabetic retinal disease specific retinopathy	22	2146	
13	Questionable retinopathy	59	2205	
14	HE, SE, IRMA, VL but no MAS	8	2213	
15	HEM only, no MAS	30	2243	
20	MAS only	77	2320	
31	Early NPR	35	2355	
41	Moderate NPR	40	2395	
51	Severe NPR	2	2397	
60	Fibrous prolif. only	2	2399	
61	No retinopathy but PRP laser	1	2400	
62	MAS only + PRP laser	0	2400	
63	Early NPR + PRP laser	0	2400	
64	Moderate/severe NPR + PRP laser	0	2400	
65	PR < HRC	5	2405	
70	PR >= HRC	1	2406	
80	Total VH	0	2406	
	Missing	528	2934	

OPDSRL4	Target			
	B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)			
Hard Edits	SAS Label			
	4 levels retinopathy severity, left eye			

**English Text:** This variable provides information on four levels of retinopathy severity, from the left eye.

English Instructions: Four levels of retinopathy severity are computed from variable OPDSRET: 1=LEVELS 10-13; 2=LEVELS 14-31; 3=LEVELS 41-51; 4=LEVELS 60-80 This variable is often used in examining associations with retinopathy severity. To collapse further 1=No Retinopathy; 2-4=Retinopathy; For a No Proliferative Retinopathy vs. Proliferative analysis, combine 1-3 as Non-Proliferative.

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
1	No retinopathy	2205	2205	
2	Mild NPR	150	2355	
3	Moderate/severe NPR	42	2397	
4	PR (Proliferative)	9	2406	
	Missing	528	2934	

OPDSARMA		Target				
<b>OI DSAR</b> MA		B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)				
Hard Edits		SAS Label				
			Any retinopathy, left eye			
English Text: This fiel	d is coded	for the presence or absence of any retinopathy from the left eye.				
<b>English Instructions:</b> ' <14; 1(Yes)=LEVELS>		able is computed from the OPDSRET variable as follows: 0(No)=LEVELS			0(No)=LEVELS	
Code or Value	Ι	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item	
0		No	2205	2205		
1		Yes	201	2406		
		Missing	528	2934		

OPDSHMA	Target	
	B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)	
Hard Edits	SAS Label	
	MAS, HEM, left eye	

**English Text:** This summary variable provides information on describing microaneurysms (MAS) only, blot hemorrhages (HEM) only, or both using two severity levels using the ETDRS standard 2A, left eye.

**English Instructions:** Value 5 is more severe than value 4. For MAS only, see variable OPDSMA. For HEM only, see variable OPDSHEM. Combined MAS and/or HEM would include values 2 to 5 as present and values 0 & 1 as none.

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	None	2144	2144	
1	Questionable	58	2202	
2	MAS only	97	2299	
3	HEM only	40	2339	
4	HEM+MAS < 2A	68	2407	
5	HEM+MAS >= 2A	3	2410	
	Missing	524	2934	

OPDSMA	Target
	B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)
Hard Edits	SAS Label
	Retinal microaneurysms, left eye
8	vides information only on eyes with retinal microaneurysms and no retinal blot
hemorrhage, left eye.	

**English Instructions:** This variable is calculated as being present (1=YES) if variable OPDSHMA=2 and absent (0=NO) if OPDSHMA=0 or 1. For eyes with any microaneurysms, recode from OPDSHMA.

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	No	2202	2202	
1	Yes	97	2299	
	Missing	635	2934	

OPDSHEM	Target
	B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)
Hard Edits	SAS Label
	Retinal blot hemorrhages, left eye

**English Text:** This variable provides information only on eyes with retinal blot hemorrhages and no microaneurysms in the left eye.

**English Instructions:** This variable is computed as present (1=YES) from OPDSHMA variable code=3 and absent (0=NO) from OPDSHMA variable code=0 or 1. For eyes with any retinal blot hemorrhages, recode from OPDSHMA.

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	No	2202	2202	
1	Yes	40	2242	
	Missing	692	2934	

OPDSHE	Target
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Hard Edits	SAS Label
	Retinal hard exudate, left eye

**English Text:** This variable provides information on the presence or absence of hard exudate in the left eye. Hard exudate is a result of lipoprotein deposition in the retina and is usually associated with macular edema.

**English Instructions:** Can combine code 0=No and 1=Questionable for absent.

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	No	2365	2365	
1	Questionable	9	2374	
2	Yes	40	2414	
•	Missing	520	2934	

OPDSSE	Target	
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Hard Edits	SAS Label	
	Retinal soft exudate, left eye	

**English Text:** This variable provides information on the presence or absence of soft exudate in the left eye. Soft exudate, sometimes called cotton wool spot, is due to retinal nerve fiber layer infarction, a result of retinal ischemia.

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Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	No	2353	2353	
1	Questionable	10	2363	
2	Yes	50	2413	
•	Missing	521	2934	

OPDSIRMA	Target	
	B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)	
Hard Edits	SAS Label	
	IRMA, left eye	

**English Text:** This variable provides information on the presence or absence of Intraretinal Microvascular Abnormalities (IRMA), from the left eye. IRMA are retinal collateral vessels in areas of retinal ischemia indicating a more severe level of retinopathy. This variable is coded using the ETDRS photo standard, 8A. Eyes with IRMA>=8A have more severe disease than eyes with standard <8A.

**English Instructions:** Can combine code 0=None and 1=Questionable for IRMA absent and codes 2 & 3 for IRMA present.

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	None	2363	2363	
1	Questionable	25	2388	
2	< 8A	15	2403	
3	>= 8A	4	2407	
	Missing	527	2934	

OPDSVB	Target   B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)				
Hard Edits	SAS Label				
	Retinal venous beading, left eye				

**English Text:** This variable provides information on the presence or absence of retinal venous beading from the left eye. Venous beading is a manifestation of severe retinal ischemia.

**English Instructions:** Can combine code 0=No and 1=Questionable for absent.

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	No	2424	2424	
1	Questionable	2	2426	
2	Yes	0	2426	
	Missing	508	2934	

OPDSNVO	Target		
01201110	B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)		
Hard Edits	SAS Label		
	Retinal new vessels on disc, left eye		

**English Text:** This variable provides information on the presence or absence of retinal new vessels on the optic disc area, from the left eye. Retinal new vessels on the optic disc area are a manifestation of proliferative retinopathy due to retinal ischemia. This variable is coded using the ETDRS photo standard, 10A. Eyes with standard>=10A have more severe vessels than eyes with standard <10A.

**English Instructions:** When combined with other manifestations of proliferative retinopathy is equivalent to OPDSRL4=4 (Proliferative). Can combine code 0=None and 1=Questionable for absent; codes 2=<10A with 3=>=10A for present.

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	None	2431	2431	
1	Questionable	1	2432	
2	< 10A	3	2435	
3	>= 10A	0	2435	
•	Missing	499	2934	

OPDSNVE	Target
	B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)
Hard Edits	SAS Label
	Retinal new vessels elsewhere, left eye

**English Text:** This variable provides information on the presence or absence of retinal new vessels elsewhere outside the optic disc margin in the left eye. Retinal new vessels elsewhere outside the optic disc margin are a manifestation of proliferative retinopathy due to retinal ischemia. The more area affected, the more severe the disease.

**English Instructions:** When combined with other manifestations of proliferative retinopathy is equivalent to OPDSRL4=4 (Proliferative). Can combine code 0=None and 1=Questionable for absent and code 2=<1/2 DISC AREA with 3=>=1/2 DISC AREA for present.

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	None	2413	2413	
1	Questionable	2	2415	
2	< 1/2 Disc Area	3	2418	
3	>= 1/2 Disc Area	0	2418	
	Missing	516	2934	

OPDSRFP	Target
	B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)
Hard Edits	SAS Label
	Retinal fibrous proliferation, left eye

**English Text:** This variable provides information on the presence or absence of retinal fibrous proliferation in the left eye. Retinal fibrous proliferation is a manifestation of proliferative retinopathy due to retinal ischemia. The more area affected, the greater the disease.

**English Instructions:** FPD = Fibrous proliferation within the optic disc area; FPE = Fibrous proliferation elsewhere outside the optic disc margin. When combined with other manifestations of proliferative retinopathy is equivalent to OPDSRL4=4. Can combine code 0=None and 1=Questionable for absent; 2=FPD ONLY, 3=FPE ONLY, and 4=FPD + FPE for any present.

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	None	2422	2422	
1	Questionable	1	2423	
2	FPD only	2	2425	
3	FPE only	1	2426	
4	FPD + FPE	2	2428	
	Missing	506	2934	

OPDSPHVH	Target				
<b>OIDSIII</b> (II	B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)				
Hard Edits	SAS Label				
	Pre-ret./ vitreous hemorrhage, left eye				

**English Text:** This variable provides information on the presence or absence of pre-retinal hemorrhage or vitreous hemorrhage in the left eye. Pre-retinal hemorrhage or vitreous hemorrhage is a manifestation of proliferative retinopathy due to retinal ischemia. The more area is affected, the more severe the disease.

**English Instructions:** When combined with other manifestations of proliferative retinopathy is equivalent to OPDSRL4=4. Can combine 0=None and 1=Questionable for absent and 2=<1 Disc Area and 3=>=1 Disc Area for present.

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	None	2425	2425	
1	Questionable	1	2426	
2	< 1 Disc Area	0	2426	
3	>= 1 Disc Area	1	2427	
	Missing	507	2934	

OPDSME	Target	
	B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)	
Hard Edits	SAS Label	
	Macular edema, left eye	

**English Text:** This variable provides information on the presence or absence of macular edema by clinical significance. The definition for Clinically Significant Macular Edema (CSME), found in the NHANES Grading Protocol: CSME is considered present when edema involves the fovea or is within 500 microns of the fovea, or when a 1+disc area of edema is present with at least a portion of it within the macula.

**English Instructions:** Increased permeability of retinal capillaries and MAS may result in accumulation of extracellular fluid and thickening of normally compact retinal tissue called Macular Edema. In some cases, the macular edema becomes clinically significant. "OTHER" refers to evidence of macular edema associated with retinopathy often associated with a specific ocular or systemic condition (e.g. retinal vein occlusion). Can combine 0=No and 1=Questionable for absent; and 2=Yes, but not CSME and 3=Yes, CSME for any macular edema present; exclude 7 from analysis.

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	No	2348	2348	
1	Questionable	3	2351	
2	Yes, but not CSME	5	2356	
3	Yes CSME	15	2371	
7	Other	0	2371	
•	Missing	563	2934	

OPDSMEC	Target
	B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)
Hard Edits	SAS Label
	Macular edema in center, left eye

**English Text:** This variable provides information on the presence or absence of macular edema in the center from the left eye. Center involvement specifies involvement of the fovea by macular edema. Cysts indicate more severe involvement, usually associated with visual loss.

**English Instructions:** "OTHER" refers to evidence of macular edema associated with retinopathy often associated with a specific ocular or systemic condition (e.g. retinal vein occlusion). Can combine 0=None and 1=Questionable for absent; 2=Present and CSME and 3=CSME with cysts for any present central involvement; exclude 7 from analysis. Can combine with visual acuity data in corresponding eye.

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	None	2354	2354	
1	Questionable	4	2358	
2	Present and CSME	12	2370	
3	CSME with cysts	0	2370	
7	Other	1	2371	
	Missing	563	2934	

OPDSPPS	Target			
	B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)			
Hard Edits	SAS Label			
	Panret. photocoagulation scar, left eye			

**English Text:** This variable provides information on the presence or absence of panretinal photocoagulation scars in the left eye. Panretinal photocoagulation in a scatter pattern across the retina or in specific areas outside the macular area later results in scarring and is a surrogate for having had active severe disease. Local and/or scatter photocoagulation is usually done to prevent preretinal and vitreous hemorrhage or the development of retinal new vessels.

**English Instructions:** In the absence of retinopathy, is usually combined with other signs of proliferative retinopathy which may or may not be present (refer to OPDSRET). Can combine 0=None and 1=Questionable/Incomplete for absent; and codes 2, 3, and 4 as present.

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	None	2420	2420	
1	Questionable/incomplete	4	2424	
2	Local	1	2425	
3	Scatter only	8	2433	
4	Scatter + local	0	2433	
	Missing	501	2934	

OPDSFOC	Target
0120100	B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)
Hard Edits	SAS Label
	Focal photocoag. scars for ME, left eye

**English Text:** This variable provides information on the presence or absence of focal laser photocoagulation from the left eye. It can appear either as treatment of leaking retinal microaneurysms (MA Rx only) or in a grid pattern in macula done for the treatment of localized or diffuse macular edema (Grid only), or sometimes together.

**English Instructions:** Can combine codes 0=None and 1=Questionable for absent and codes 2-4 (MA RX only, Grid Only, and MA RX + Grid Rx) for present.

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	None	2408	2408	
1	Questionable	2	2410	
2	MA RX only	13	2423	
3	Grid only	0	2423	
4	MA RX & Grid RX	0	2423	
	Missing	511	2934	

OPDSARM	Target
	B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)
Hard Edits	SAS Label
	ARM, 3 severity levels, left eye

**English Text:** This variable provides information on the 3-level severity classification of age-related macular degeneration (ARM) from the left eye. Early ARM is defined by presence or absence of drusen and/or pigmentary abnormalities; late ARM by exudative ARM signs and/or geographic atrophy.

#### English Instructions: Can combine codes 1=Early ARM and 2=Late ARM.

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	No ARM	2206	2206	
1	Early ARM	101	2307	
2	Late ARM	22	2329	
	Missing	605	2934	

OPDSPIGA	Target
012011011	B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)
Hard Edits	SAS Label
	Ret. & pigmentary abnorm., left eye

**English Text:** This variable provides information on the presence or absence of increased retinal pigment and/or RPE depigmentation, a manifestation of early ARM in absence of signs of late ARM, from the left eye.

### **English Instructions:**

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	No	2240	2240	
1	Yes	89	2329	
	Missing	605	2934	

Target
B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)
SAS Label
Late ARM, left eye

**English Text:** This variable provides information on the presence or absence of exudative ARM and/or geographic atrophy from the left eye.

**English Instructions:** Late ARM is defined by the presence of signs of exudative ARM and/or geographic atrophy.

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	No	2322	2322	
1	Yes	22	2344	
•	Missing	590	2934	

OPDSGA	Target
0125011	B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)
Hard Edits	SAS Label
	Geographic atrophy, left eye

**English Text:** This variable provides information on the presence or absence of pure geographic atrophy in the absence of signs of Exudative ARM, left eye

### **English Instructions:**

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	No	2322	2322	
1	Yes	16	2338	
	Missing	596	2934	

OPDSEXU	Target
	B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)
Hard Edits	SAS Label
	Exudative ARM, left eye

**English Text:** This variable provides information on the presence or absence of exudative ARM from the left eye.

**English Instructions:** Exudative ARM is also called neovascular ARM. Sometimes geographic atrophy is present.

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	No	2338	2338	
1	Yes	6	2344	
•	Missing	590	2934	

OPDSAREX	Target	
	B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)	
Hard Edits	SAS Label	
	Excluded for ARM, left eye	

**English Text:** Was the left eye excluded for ARM?

**English Instructions:** ARM may not be ascertained for many reasons, refer to OPDSREA for the reason for ARM exclusion.

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	No	2347	2347	
1	Yes	37	2384	
	Missing	550	2934	

OPDSREA	Target		
	B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)		
Hard Edits	SAS Label		
	Reason for ARM exclusion, left eye		

**English Text:** If a condition exists in the macula which confounds the grader from evaluating Age Related Macular Degeneration (ARM) lesions from similar changes in the retina due to another process the eye is excluded (cannot grade) from evaluation of all ARM lesions from the right eye.

**English Instructions:** This variable lists reasons such as trauma, laser treatment, retinal vessel occlusion, retinal dystrophy, myopic degeneration, presumed ocular histoplasmosis or chorioretinal taxoplasmosis scar, nonspecific inflammatory retinal lesion, retinopathy of prematurity (ROP), non ARM retinal pigment epithelial abnormality, non ARM detachment, unknown, other, and/or a retinal coloboma or staphyloma.

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	None	2411	2411	
1	Trauma	0	2411	
2	Laser RX	18	2429	
3	Vessel occlusion	1	2430	
4	Macular dystrophy	1	2431	
5	Myopic degeneration	1	2432	
6	Histoplasmosis/toxoplasmosis	1	2433	
7	Inflammatory lesion	1	2434	
9	Retinopathy of prematurity	0	2434	
10	Non-ARM RPE abnormality	4	2438	
11	Non-ARM detachment	0	2438	
12	Unknown etiology	2	2440	
15	Other	8	2448	
16	Coloboma/staphyloma	0	2448	
99	No photos of eye	20	2468	
	Missing	466	2934	

OPDSHD	Target
	B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)
Hard Edits	SAS Label
	Hard distinct drusen, left eye

**English Text:** This variable provides information on the presence or absence of hard distinct drusen, from the left eye.

**English Instructions:** Currently considered not to be a sign of ARM by itself.

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	No	1165	1165	
1	Yes	1155	2320	
	Missing	614	2934	

OPDSD125		Target			
01000120		B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)			
Hard Edits		SAS Label			
		Drusen>=125 microns, left eye			
<b>English Text:</b> This variable provides information on the presence or absence of large drusen, greater than or equal to 125 microns in diameter, from the left eye.					
English Instructions: Large drusen are considered a sign of early ARM.					
Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item	

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	No	2163	2163	
1	Yes	172	2335	
	Missing	599	2934	

OPDSD500	Target			
	B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)			
Hard Edits	SAS Label			
	Drusen>=500 microns, left eye			

**English Text:** This variable provides information on the presence or absence of large drusen, greater than or equal to 500 microns in diameter, from the left eye.

English Instructions: Large drusen are considered a sign of early ARM.

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	No	2259	2259	
1	Yes	75	2334	
	Missing	600	2934	

OPDSASD	Target					
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Hard Edits	SAS Label					
Any soft drusen, left eye						
<b>English Text:</b> This variable provides information on the presence or absence of any soft indistinct and/or soft distinct drusen from the left eye.						

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Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	No	2048	2048	
1	Yes	288	2336	
•	Missing	598	2934	

OPDSSDD	Target
	B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)
Hard Edits	SAS Label
	Soft distinct drusen, left eye

**English Text:** This variable provides information on the presence or absence of soft distinct drusen, from the left eye.

English Instructions: Soft distinct drusen is a less severe type of drusen than soft indistinct drusen.

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	No	2070	2070	
1	Yes	266	2336	
	Missing	598	2934	

OPDSSID		Target				
		B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)				
Hard Edits		SAS Label				
		Soft indistinct drusen, left eye				
<b>English Text:</b> This variable provides information on the presence or absence of soft indistinct drusen from the left eye.						
<b>English Instructions:</b>	English Instructions: Soft indistinct drusen is a more severe type of drusen than soft distinct drusen.					
Code or Value	I	Description Count Cumulative Skip to Item				
0		No	2246	2246		

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OPDSIRP		Target			
		B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)			
Hard Edits	5	SAS Label			
		Increased retinal pigment, left eye			
0	-	le provides information on the presence or absence of increased retinal pigment due pigment epithelium in early ARM, from the left eye.			
<b>English Instructions:</b>	English Instructions:				
Code or Value		Description Count Cumulative Skip to Item			
0		No	2245	2245	

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Yes

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OPDSRPE	Target		
	B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)		
Hard Edits	SAS Label		
	RPE depigmentation, left eye		
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**English Text:** This variable provides information on the presence or absence of decreased retinal pigmentation due to disruption of the retinal pigment epithelium in early ARM, from the left eye.

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Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	No	2277	2277	
1	Yes	51	2328	
•	Missing	606	2934	

OPDSAGA	Target
012011011	B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)
Hard Edits	SAS Label
	Any geographic atrophy, left eye

**English Text:** This variable provides information on the presence or absence of any geographic atrophy from the left eye.

**English Instructions:** This variable differs from the pure geographic atrophy variable, OPDSGA, because exudative ARM may be present concurrently in which case OPDSGA may result from exudative ARM and/or its treatment.

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	No	2325	2325	
1	Yes	19	2344	
	Missing	590	2934	

OPDSPED	Target
	B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)
Hard Edits	SAS Label
	RPE/sensory ret. detachment, left eye

**English Text:** This variable provides information on the presence or absence of Retinal Pigment Epithelial detachment/ Sensory Retinal detachment, a sign of exudative ARM, from the left eye.

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	No	2339	2339	
1	Yes	4	2343	
•	Missing	591	2934	

OPDSSNV	Target
012551()	B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)
Hard Edits	SAS Label
	Subretinal new vessels, left eye

**English Text:** This variable provides information on the presence or absence of subretinal new vessels, a sign of exudative ARM, from the left eye.

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	No	2341	2341	
1	Yes	2	2343	
	Missing	591	2934	

OPDSSUBH		Target				
0120002011		B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)				
Hard Edits		SAS Label				
		Subretinal hemorrhage, left eye				
<b>English Text:</b> This variable provides information on the presence or absence of subretinal hemorrhage, a sign of exudative ARM, from the left eye.						
English Instructions:						
Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item		

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	No	2343	2343	
1	Yes	1	2344	
	Missing	590	2934	

OPDSSFS	Target
	B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)
Hard Edits	SAS Label
	Subretinal fibrous scar, left eye

**English Text:** This variable provides information on the presence or absence of subretinal fibrous scar, a sign of exudative ARM, from the left eye.

#### **English Instructions:**

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	No	2340	2340	
1	Yes	4	2344	
	Missing	590	2934	

OPDSARMX	Target	
0120111	B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)	
Hard Edits	SAS Label	
	Treatment for ARM, left eye	

**English Text:** This variable provides information on the presence or absence of 3 types of treatment for exudative ARM in the left eye: laser, photodynamic and/or thermal treatment. The presence or absence of these treatments is a sign of exudative ARM.

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	No	2343	2343	
1	Yes	1	2344	
•	Missing	590	2934	

OPDSBCO	Target	
0120200	B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)	
Hard Edits	SAS Label	
	Retinal artery occlusion, left eye	

**English Text:** This variable provides information on the presence or absence of retinal artery occlusion (branch or central), a blockage of retinal arteriole or artery resulting infarction of the retina, from the left eye.

**English Instructions:** Can combine codes 0=No and 1=Questionable to define absent; 2=Yes and 3=Yes, in center, to define present.

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	No	2447	2447	
1	Questionable	0	2447	
2	Yes	0	2447	
3	Yes, in center	0	2447	
•	Missing	487	2934	

OPDSBVO	Target	
	B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)	
Hard Edits	SAS Label	
	Retinal branch vein occlusion, left eye	

**English Text:** This variable provides information on the presence or absence of retinal branch vein occlusion, a blockage of retinal branch venule (level 12 in the retinopathy severity scale, variable OPDURET), from the left eye.

**English Instructions:** Can combine with retinal central vein occlusion (OPDSCVO) to get retinal vein occlusion. Can combine 0=No and 1=Questionable to define absent; 2=Yes and 3=Yes, in center to define present.

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	No	2437	2437	
1	Questionable	2	2439	
2	Yes	4	2443	
3	Yes, in center	0	2443	
	Missing	491	2934	

OPDSCVO	Target	
0120010	B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)	
Hard Edits	SAS Label	
	Ret. central vein occlusion, left eye	

**English Text:** This variable provides information on the presence or absence of retinal central vein occlusion (RCVO) from the left eye; blockage of the retinal central vein (level 12 in the retinal severity scale variable, OPDSRET).

**English Instructions:** Can combine with retinal branch vein occlusion (OPDSBVO) to get retinal vein occlusion. Can combine 0=No and 1=Questionable to define absent; 2=Yes and 3=Yes, in center to define present.

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	No	2446	2446	
1	Questionable	1	2447	
2	Yes	1	2448	
3	Yes, in center	0	2448	
	Missing	486	2934	

OPDSAVN	Target
	B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)
Hard Edits	SAS Label
	Retinal AV nicking, left eye

**English Text:** This variable provides information on the presence or absence of retinal arterio-venous nicking, a pinching of the vein at an artery crossing, from the left eye. May be secondary to hypertension. Refer to the NHANES Detailed Grading Protocol for more details.

**English Instructions:** Can combine 0=No and 1=Questionable to define absent.

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	No	1960	1960	
1	Questionable	335	2295	
2	Yes	145	2440	
	Missing	494	2934	

OPDSFAN	Target
01201111	B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)
Hard Edits	SAS Label
	Focal arteriolar narrowing, left eye

**English Text:** This variable provides information on the presence or absence of retinal focal arteriolar narrowing, focal pinching or narrowing of the arteriole, from the left eye. May be secondary to hypertension. Refer to the NHANES Detailed Grading Protocol for more details.

**English Instructions:** Can combine 0=No and 1=Questionable to define absent.

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	No	2312	2312	
1	Questionable	84	2396	
2	Yes	27	2423	
	Missing	511	2934	

OPDSHOLL	Target	
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Hard Edits	SAS Label	
	Hollenhorst plaque, left eye	

**English Text:** This variable provides information on the presence or absence of retinal arteriolar embolus (Hollenhorst plaque), from the worse eye. Usually fibrin or cholesterol embolus seen in retinal arterioles, often at a bifurcation of the vessel.

**English Instructions:** Can combine 0=No and 1=Questionable to define absent.

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	No	2433	2433	
1	Questionable	3	2436	
2	Yes	5	2441	
	Missing	493	2934	

OPDSPPA	Target		
	B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)		
Hard Edits	SAS Label		
	Peripapillary atrophy, left eye		

**English Text:** This variables provides information on the presence or absence of peripapillary atrophy, defined as retinal-choroidal atrophic area around the disc, from the left eye.

**English Instructions:** Can combine 0=No and 1=Questionable to define absent.

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	No	2249	2249	
1	Questionable	66	2315	
2	Yes	132	2447	
	Missing	487	2934	

OPDSASHY	Target	
	B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)	
Hard Edits	SAS Label	
	Asteroid Hyalosis, left eye	

**English Text:** This variable provides information on the presence or absence of Asteroid Hyalosis, soap-like crystals floating in the vitreous cavity in front of the retina, which can obstruct the view of retinal lesions, from the left eye.

**English Instructions:** Can combine 0=No and 1=Questionable to define absent; 2=Yes and 3=Yes, in center to define present.

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	No	2439	2439	
1	Questionable	5	2444	
2	Yes	9	2453	
3	Yes, in center	1	2454	
	Missing	480	2934	

OPDSCHRA	Target	
	B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)	
Hard Edits	SAS Label	
	Chorioretinal abnormality, left eye	

**English Text:** This variable provides information on the presence or absence of any chorioretinal abnormality from the left eye.

**English Instructions:** Can combine 0=No and 1=Questionable to define absent; 2=Yes and 3=Yes, in center to define present.

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	No	2443	2443	
1	Questionable	1	2444	
2	Yes	4	2448	
3	Yes, in center	0	2448	
•	Missing	486	2934	

OPDSMACH	Target	
B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)		
Hard Edits	SAS Label	
	Macular hole, left eye	

**English Text:** This variable provides information on the presence or absence of a macular hole, a round sharply defined hole involving the center of the macula, resulting in a decrease in visual acuity, from the left eye.

**English Instructions:** Can combine 0=No and 1=Questionable to define absent. Can analyze with visual acuity data.

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	No	2367	2367	
1	Questionable	1	2368	
2	Yes	2	2370	
	Missing	564	2934	

OPDSCHN	Target	
	B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)	
Hard Edits	SAS Label	
	Choroidal nevus, left eye	

**English Text:** This variable provides information on the presence or absence of choroidal nevus, a localized increase in the number of pigment bearing cells in choroid, usually round or oval in shape, from the left eye.

**English Instructions:** Can combine 0=No and 1=Questionable to define absent; ; 2=Yes and 3=Yes, in center to define present.

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	No	2356	2356	
1	Questionable	31	2387	
2	Yes	55	2442	
3	Yes, in center	0	2442	
	Missing	492	2934	

OPDSOTRX	Target
	B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)
Hard Edits	SAS Label
	Any other treatment, left eye

**English Text:** This variable provides information on the presence or absence of any other laser treatment for other conditions (i.e. local treatment for retinal detachment), from the left eye.

**English Instructions:** Can combine 0=No and 1=Questionable to define absent; ; 2=Yes and 3=Yes, in center to define present.

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	No	2449	2449	
1	Questionable	0	2449	
2	Yes	1	2450	
3	Yes, in center	0	2450	
	Missing	484	2934	

OPDSPOHS	Target
	B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)
Hard Edits	SAS Label
	Histoplasmosis syndrome, left eye

**English Text:** This variable provides information on the presence or absence of Presumed Ocular Histoplasmosis Syndrome, which usually manifests by peripapillary atrophic scars, focal round chorioretinal active lesions or punched out scars, from the left eye.

**English Instructions:** Can combine 0=No and 1=Questionable to define absent; 2=Yes and 3=Yes, in center to define present.

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	No	2448	2448	
1	Questionable	1	2449	
2	Yes	0	2449	
3	Yes, in center	0	2449	
•	Missing	485	2934	

OPDSRDET	Target
	B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)
Hard Edits	SAS Label
	Retinal detachment, left eye

**English Text:** This variable provides information on the presence or absence of traction or traumatic retinal detachment (not ARM Pigment Epithelial Detachment), from the left eye.

**English Instructions:** Can combine 0=No and 1=Questionable to define absent; 2=Yes and 3=Yes, in center to define present.

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	No	2441	2441	
1	Questionable	1	2442	
2	Yes	6	2448	
3	Yes, in center	0	2448	
	Missing	486	2934	

OPDSSWR	Target	
	B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)	
Hard Edits	SAS Label	
	SW, cellophane changes, left eye	

**English Text:** This variable provides information on the presence or absence of epiretinal membrane (cellophane changes) from the left eye. Epiretinal membrane (cellophane changes) refers to a patch or patches of irregular increased reflection on the inner surface of the retina due to membrane cellophane changes only with no traction.

**English Instructions:** Can combine with epiretinal membrane (traction changes) variable (OPDSSWRT). Can combine 0=No and 1=Questionable to define absent; 2=Yes and 3=Yes, in center to define present.

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	No	2015	2015	
1	Questionable	42	2057	
2	Yes	301	2358	
3	Yes, in center	24	2382	
	Missing	552	2934	

OPDSSWRT	Target
	B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)
Hard Edits	SAS Label
	SW, traction changes, left eye

**English Text:** This variable provides information on the presence or absence of epiretinal membrane (retinal traction changes), from the left eye. Epiretinal membrane (retinal traction changes) refers to a patch or patches of irregular increased reflection on the inner surface of the retina due to retinal traction changes of the membrane.

**English Instructions:** Can combine with epiretinal membrane cellophane changes, variable OPDSSWR. Can combine 0=No and 1=Questionable to define absent; 2=Yes and 3=Yes, in center to define present.

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	No	2325	2325	
1	Questionable	11	2336	
2	Yes	32	2368	
3	Yes, in center	8	2376	
•	Missing	558	2934	

OPDSOTHC	Target	
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Hard Edits	SAS Label	
	Other ocular conditions, left eye	

**English Text:** This variable provides information of other ocular conditions not graded elsewhere, from the left eye.

Code or Value	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item
0	No	2370	2370	
1	Questionable	6	2376	
2	Yes	73	2449	
3	Yes, in center	0	2449	
	Missing	485	2934	

OPDSVCDR		Target						
		B(40 Yrs. to 150 Yrs.)						
Hard Edits		SAS Label						
		Vertical cup disc ratio, left eye						
English Text: This variable provides the vertical cup to disc ratio, in microns, from the left eye.								
<b>English Instructions:</b> The vertical cup to disc ration is from 0 to 1.0								
Code or Value	I	Description	Count	Cumulative	Skip to Item			
0.14 to 0.86	Ra	nge of Values	2413	2413				
•		Missing	521	2934				