

**NHANES 2001-2002 Data Release
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MEC CAPI Interview / Dietary Interview**

Current Health Status (HSQ_B)

Survey Years Included in this File: 2001-2002

Questionnaire Section Characteristics:

Questionnaire Section Description:

The Current Health Status section (variable name prefix HSQ) provides personal interview data on overall health assessment, recent illness (past 30 days), blood donation, and AIDS testing.

Interview Setting:

MEC CAPI Interview for study participants 12 and older
MEC Dietary Interview for study participants under 12 years old

Mode of administration:

In-person

Eligible sample and any section-specific exclusion criteria:

Study participants under 12 years old are only asked 3 questions regarding recent illness (HSQ500, HSQ510, HSQ520). The remaining questions are asked of participants 12 years of age and older, except for the blood donation and AIDS testing questions which are asked of participants 16 years of age and older.

Analytic Notes:

HSD010 General Health Condition: This identical question is asked in the Hospital Utilization section of the household questionnaire (HUQ010). There is a small difference in administration of the two questions: participants age 12-15 have proxy responses in the household and self-report at the mobile examination center. Many participants of all ages gave different responses to this question in the household compared to the MEC, so analysts should consider which of the two versions of the question to use in analyses.

HSQ500, HSQ510, and HSQ520: These questions were asked in the Dietary Recall section of participants 1– 11 years of age. Respondents 12+ years of age were asked

the same questions during the MEC CAPI Interview. (See HSAQUEX for source of data.)

HSD570 Blood Donation: This question was re-worded in 2002 (dropping the phrase “a year ago”) and was re-numbered. Responses to both versions of this question were combined into the derived variable of HSD570.

Data Access:

The HSQ data are publicly available at www.cdc.gov/nchs/nhanes.htm

Reference:

None.