

**NHANES 1999-2000 Data Release  
July 2004  
Family Questionnaire**

**Pesticide Use (PUQ)**

Survey Years Included in this File: 1999-2000

**Questionnaire Section Characteristics:**

**Questionnaire Section Description:**

The Pesticide Use section (variable name prefix PUQ) provides family level interview data on pesticide use in the home and private yard during the past month.

**Interview Setting:**

Home Interview

**Mode of administration:**

In-person

**Eligible sample and any section-specific exclusion criteria:**

One study participant in each family responds for the entire family and these responses are released for all members of the same family. All questions in this section are asked of all.

**Analytic Notes:**

Multiple families in the same household may be selected as participants in the study. In some cases, the data collected from different families living in the same household may be discrepant. These discrepancies are left as reported.

Variables were modified during the data editing in order to create analytic and summary variables. See the following notes.

**PUD010 Pest control in home in past month:** Responses coded as “refused” or “don’t know” were recoded as missing.

**PUD020, PUD021, PUD031, PUD032, PUD033, PUD034:** These questions are only applicable for respondents coded “1” in PUD010.

**PUD020 Rooms treated for pests:** Responses of to this question were recoded to three mutually exclusive categories as follows: 1 = entire household; 2 = kitchen or dining room, but not the entire household; 3 = other rooms. Responses that were recoded “3” excluded “outside (to building or foundation)” if this was the only category that was checked.

**PUD021 Foundation/outside of building treated:** Recode of question PUQ020.

**PUD031 Non-professional treated home:** Recode of questions PUQ030a and PUQ030c. Coded as “1’ (yes) if the number of times someone living in the home or other non-professional treated the home was greater than zero. Else coded “2”(no).

**PUD032 # of treatments in home by non-professional:** Recode of question PUQ030a and PUQ030c. If the combined number of times was greater than 2, these were top coded as “2’ (two or more times).

**PUD033 Professional treated home:** Recode of questions PUQ030b. Coded as “1’ (yes) if the number of times a professional treated the home was greater than zero. Else coded “2”(no).

**PUD034 # of treatments in home by a professional:** Recode of question PUQ030b. If the number of times was greater than 2, this was top coded as “2’ (two or more times).

**PUD040 Home have a private yard:** Question PUQ040 was only asked for families who lived a single family home or trailer/mobile home. Missing values in situations where this question was not asked were recoded as “2” (no).

**PUD060 Pest control in yard in past month:** Responses coded as “refused” or “don’t know” were recoded as missing. This question was only asked for people who responded “1” (yes) to PUQ040.

**PUD071, PUD072, PUD073, PUD074:** These questions are only applicable for respondents coded “1” in PUD060.

**PUD071 Non-professional treated home:** Recode of questions PUQ070a and PUQ070c. Coded as “1’ (yes) if the number of times someone living in the home or other non-professional treated the yard was greater than zero. Else coded “2”(no).

**PUD072 # of treatments in home by non-professional:** Recode of question PUQ070a and PUQ070c. If the combined number of times was greater than 2, these were top coded as “2’ (two or more times).

**PUD073 Professional treated home:** Recode of questions PUQ070b. Coded as “1’ (yes) if the number of times a professional treated the yard was greater than zero. Else coded “2”(no).

**PUD074 # of treatments in home by a professional:** Recode of question PUQ070b. If the number of times was greater than 2, this was top coded as “2” (two or more times).

**Data Access:**

The HOQ data are publicly available at [www.cdc.gov/nchs/nhanes.htm](http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/nhanes.htm)

**Reference:**

None.