

June 30, 2008 -- Internet Data Release

Ten files were released:

- Family (FAMILYXX)
- Household (HOUSEHLD)
- Injury and Poison Episode (INJPOIEP)
- Injury and Poison Verbatim (INJVERBT)
- Person (PERSONSX)
- Sample Adult (SAMADULT)
- Sample Child (SAMCHILD)
- Adult Alternative Medicine (ALTHEALT)
- Child Alternative Medicine (CHILDCAM)
- Paradata (PARADATA)

Two additional files will be released at a later time:

- Imputed Income
- Singleton PSU

Each file that is released is made up seven parts:

- Data - Compressed ASCII format (.EXE-->.DAT)
- File Variable Summary - PDF format (\_SUMMARY.PDF)
- File Layout (Codebook)- PDF format (\_LAYOUT.PDF)
- File Frequency Report - PDF format (\_FREQ.PDF)
- SAS Program Sample - ASCII format (.SAS)
- SPSS Program Sample - ASCII format (.SPS)
- STATA Program Sample - ASCII format (.DO)

The Sample Adult file has additional documentation describing Industry/Occupation Coding:

- NAICS\_Sectors\_and\_Subsectors07.pdf
- SOC Major Groups07.pdf

This year's release also includes other documentation:

- Survey Description - PDF format (SRVYDESC.PDF)
- Questionnaires (English) - PDF format (Q ... .PDF)
- Questionnaires (Spanish) - PDF format (QS... .PDF)
- Questionnaire Guide - PDF format (QREFGUIDE.PDF)
- Interview Flashcards (Eng.) - PDF format (FLASHCRD.PDF)
- Interview Flashcards (Span.)- PDF format (FLASHCRS.PDF)
- Interviewer Manual - PDF format (FRMANUAL.PDF)
- Interview Flow Chart - PDF format (NHISFLOW.PDF)
- Data Access Instructions - PDF format (README.PDF)
- Log of release dates - PDF format (HIS07LOG.PDF)
- Co-Sponsor Information - HTML format (.HTM)

The Paradata file has additional documentation describing the data file:  
Survey Description - Paradata - PDF format (SRVYDESC\_PARADATA.pdf)

The 2007 NHIS will not be made available on ASCII CD.

NCHS recommends that data users verify the integrity of downloaded files by comparing the MD5 checksums of downloaded files to the reference values given below:

- 16C3D0B85114E9D46BAFBAF47A876764 FAMILYXX.DAT
- 2DB41D21F32FD161328A9B2F58DB0B05 HOUSEHLD.DAT

F4495460FFE6EEEC299CB7017D1E6F624	INJPOIEP.DAT
C33F1CB47DAF13922A6FB03F3CB73CF3	INJVERBT.DAT
84DF0EAAEE77B4046421077EE390A6547	PERSONSX.DAT
71B3ECE6F1AD1B8015EBB07C8200246E	SAMADULT.DAT
A68C7654E223CFEFEDAC9AC4F67F6715	SAMCHILD.DAT
9BE70334C197FEA31F0F421CA211150E	ALTHEALT.DAT
4ED83CDEAD055B72CD0E65FC225052A6	CHILDCAM.DAT
98A5B0FEB87AC26D950055CD12B0E610	PARADATA.DAT

For more information on MD5 checksums, please refer to the NHIS micro-data reference information document, located at:

[ftp://ftp.cdc.gov/pub/Health\\_Statistics/NCHS/Datasets/NHIS/checksums.pdf](ftp://ftp.cdc.gov/pub/Health_Statistics/NCHS/Datasets/NHIS/checksums.pdf)

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August 1, 2008 - 2007 Supplemental Files for Singleton PSU  
(DATA ADDITION TO INTERNET RELEASE)

NCHS has created two supplemental files (2007samchild.dat and 2007childcam.dat) with dummy records to fill in the missing sample design information for the 2007 Sample Child file and Child Alternative Medicine file. The layout of the 2007samchild.dat and 2007childcam.dat are the same as the 2007 Sample Child file and 2007 Child Alternative Medicine file respectively. The weight variables for the supplemental records, WTIA\_SC and WTFA\_SC, have been set equal to 1. For more details, please visit page:

[http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/about/major/nhis/singleton\\_PSU.htm](http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/about/major/nhis/singleton_PSU.htm)

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August 31, 2008 -- Imputed Income Linkage Files and  
Documentation  
(DATA ADDITION TO INTERNET RELEASE)

Data files containing imputed family income and personal earnings figures were released. The imputed values, file layout, frequency counts for the variables, technical documentation (including examples of analyses), and sample input SAS code can be obtained from the NHIS Web site via the Imputed Income Files link under the survey year on the 1997-present NHIS data page which can be reached from:

[http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/about/major/nhis/quest\\_data\\_related\\_doc.htm](http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/about/major/nhis/quest_data_related_doc.htm)

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January 31, 2010 - Corrected RAT\_CAT3, 2007 Family File  
(DATA ADDITION TO INTERNET RELEASE)

This release corrected an error in the 2007 Family File variable RAT\_CAT3. The release consisted of a mini-Family ASCII data file (survey year, household number, family number, corrected RAT\_CAT3), SAS input statements, and a frequency listing of the corrected RAT\_CAT3. These files are available at:

[http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/nhis/2007RAT\\_CAT3.htm](http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/nhis/2007RAT_CAT3.htm)

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September 1, 2010 -- Supplemental Imputed Income Files

The 2007 Supplemental Imputed Income files contain five data files of imputed family income and personal earnings with dollar amounts top-coded to the 95th percentile. The file layout with frequency counts for selected variables and sample input SAS code can be obtained from the NHIS Web site via the Supplemental Imputed Income Files link under the survey year on the 1997-present NHIS data page which can be reached from:

[http://www.cdc.gov/NCHS/nhis/nhis\\_2007\\_data\\_release.htm](http://www.cdc.gov/NCHS/nhis/nhis_2007_data_release.htm)

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November 15, 2012 -- Release of 2004-2010 Sample Child Birth Weight Mini-files  
Some discrepancies were identified in birth weight data after the major re-engineering effort of the 2004 NHIS instrument and data production processes. From 2004-2010, discrepancies were found among children with very low birth weights of less than 500 grams and among children with very large birth weights of 10 pounds or more. NHIS has determined that the causes of the discrepancies were processing errors which have been corrected. Relatively few cases (about 2% each year) were affected.

NHIS has released Sample Child Birth Weight Mini-files with revised birth weight data for 2004-2010. The new variables (TOTOZ\_P and BWTGRM\_P) on the mini-files contain the corrected Sample Child birth weight data and should replace the birth weight variables on the original 2004-2010 Sample Child files. The new 2007 Sample Child Birth Weight Mini-files are available on the NHIS website [http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/nhis/2007\\_birth\\_weight.htm](http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/nhis/2007_birth_weight.htm).

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To obtain the Internet release of the 2007 NHIS data, visit the NHIS home page:

<http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/nhis.htm>

and click on:

Questionnaires, Data Sets and Related Documentation

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Users are encouraged to join the HISUSERS Listserv and receive E-mail announcements of updates to the NHIS files. To join the Listserv, visit the website at:

<http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/about/major/nhis/nhislist.htm>

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