

Next Steps continuous weekly income – Note

We have recently detected a bug in the code used to derive continuous weekly income at age 25 (W8DINCW). We debugged the code and have now redeposited the amended variable. It was made available for download via the UK Data Archive in July 2021.

The nature of the error means that the derived values for continuous weekly income were previously not constrained to lie between the bounds defined by the reported banded weekly income (W8DINCB), which may lead to either under- or overestimation of continuous weekly income.

In addition, continuous weekly income was previously erroneously derived for cohort members with banded weekly income “Not applicable” (n = 722). Therefore, the new version of the continuous weekly income variable is derived for 6985 rather than 7707 cohort members.

If you have already published or conducted analysis using the uncorrected variables and wish to seek additional advice, please contact clsfeedback@ucl.ac.uk.

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