

2019 NATIONAL HEALTH INTERVIEW SURVEY (NHIS)
Codebook for Sample Adult file (Document Version: September 2020)
PUBLIC USE

Variable:	DEPEV_A
Module:	Adult
Section:	CON
File(s):	Adult
Data Type:	Numeric
Length:	1
Question Text:	<p><i>* Read if necessary: Have you EVER been told by a doctor or other health professional that you had</i></p> <p>...Any type of depression?</p> <p><i>* Read if necessary: Some common types of depression include major depression (or major depressive disorder), bipolar depression, dysthymia, post-partum depression, and seasonal affective disorder.</i></p>
Description:	Ever had depression
Recode:	
Universe:	HHSTAT_A=1
Universe Description:	Sample adults 18+
Sources:	
Question ID:	CON.0050.00.1
Keywords:	post-partum depression; bipolar; seasonal affective disorder
Notes:	This is 5 of 5 questions on lifetime prevalence of specific conditions.
Evaluation Report:	

Unweighted frequencies:

DEPEV_A Ever had depression

Code	Description	Frequency	Percent
1	Yes	5432	16.98
2	No	26502	82.83
7	Refused	38	0.12
8	Not Ascertained	0	0.00
9	Don't Know	25	0.08

Frequency Missing:

Variable:	DEPFREQ_A
Module:	Adult
Section:	DEP
File(s):	Adult
Data Type:	Numeric
Length:	1
Question Text:	How often do you feel depressed? Would you say daily, weekly, monthly, a few times a year, or never? * If respondent asks whether they are to answer about their emotional states after taking mood-regulating medications, say: "Please answer based on your usual use of medication."
Description:	How often depressed
Recode:	
Universe:	HHSTAT_A=1
Universe Description:	Sample adults 18+
Sources:	
Question ID:	DEP.0010.00.1
Keywords:	feelings of sadness, emotional difficulty
Notes:	
Evaluation Report:	

Unweighted frequencies:

DEPFREQ_A How often depressed

Code	Description	Frequency	Percent
1	Daily	1395	4.36
2	Weekly	1723	5.38
3	Monthly	2130	6.66
4	A few times a year	8515	26.61
5	Never	17598	55.00
7	Refused	93	0.29
8	Not Ascertained	417	1.30
9	Don't Know	126	0.39

Frequency Missing:

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Section:	DEP
File(s):	Adult
Data Type:	Numeric
Length:	1
Question Text:	Thinking about the last time you felt depressed, how depressed did you feel? Would you say a little, a lot, or somewhere in between?
Description:	Level of how depressed
Recode:	
Universe:	HHSTAT_A=1 and (DEPFREQ_A IN (1,2,3,4,7,9) or DEPMED_A IN (1,7,9))
Universe Description:	Sample adults 18+ who feel depressed daily, weekly, monthly, a few times a year or refused or don't know how often they feel depressed OR who do take medication or refused or don't know if they take medication for depression.
Sources:	
Question ID:	DEP.0030.00.1
Keywords:	feelings of sadness, emotional difficulty
Notes:	
Evaluation Report:	

Unweighted frequencies:

DEPLEVEL_A Level of how depressed

Code	Description	Frequency	Percent
1	A little	7072	49.75
2	A lot	1907	13.41
3	Somewhere in between a little and a lot	5027	35.36
7	Refused	94	0.66
8	Not Ascertained	1	0.01
9	Don't Know	115	0.81

Frequency Missing: 17781