* p\_id\_ - main ids
* fr\_id – family, reporting unit and other group ids (possibly changes with rounds and years)
* X\_ - explanatory variables
  + X\_fac – categorical
  + X\_num – numerics
  + X\_dum – dummies
  + X\_XXX\_fr – family or reporting unit variables.
  + X\_XXX\_dem – demographic variables
  + X\_XXX\_surv\_ad – survey administration (status in MEPS, dates of sampling rounds)

factor and potential explanatory:

* RUCLAS – type of reporting unit (standard, new, student, inapplicable)
* REGION – geographic region (varies by round) - inapplicable is -1
* INTVLANG – language of interview( 1- English, 2-sapanish, 3 – both, 91 – other)
* SEX – (1- male, 2-female)
* Various race variables

binary

* FCRP1231 – inapplicable is -1 (indicator for being reference person of 12/31 CPS FAMILY)
* FAMRFPYR – no inapplicable (indicator for reference person of annualized family)
* FMRS1231 - inapplicable is -1 (indicator for being a member of a responding of 12/31 FAMILY)
* MSA – indicator for being in a metropolitan statistical area (-1 is non-applicable)

Numeric potential explanatory and their NA values (inapplicable):

* RUSIZE – inapplicable is -1 (size of reporting unit)
* FAMSZE /FAMS– inapplicable is -1 (size of family)
* FCSZ1231 - inapplicable is -1 (size of RESPONDING 12/31 CPS FAMILY)
* AGE inapplicable is -1