

Creating Insurance Groups with NHANES 2017-18 Data

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1 R Packages

```
knitr::opts_chunk$set(comment = NA)
library(janitor)
library(nhanesA)
library(tidyverse)
```

2 Pull in some NHANES 2017-18 Data

- ID number plus insurance information, only.

```
demo_raw <- nhanes('DEMO_J', translated = FALSE) |> tibble()
hiq_raw <- nhanes('HIQ_J', translated = FALSE) |> tibble()

combo <- left_join(demo_raw, hiq_raw, by = "SEQN")

combo <- combo |>
  mutate(SEQN = as.character(SEQN)) |>
  select(SEQN, HIQ011, HIQ031A, HIQ031B, HIQ031D)
```

3 Creating our four-level INSUR variable

Goal A new variable, called INSUR, which is a factor with four levels, in this order: Medicare, Commercial, Medicaid, Uninsured, and with some (inevitable) missing values.

Current Variables	Description
SEQN	Subject ID
HIQ011	1 if subject is covered by insurance, 2 if not, 7 = refused, 9 = don't know
HIQ031A	14 if covered by Commercial (Private) insurance
HIQ031B	15 if covered by Medicare
HIQ031D	17 if covered by Medicaid

```
combo <- combo |>
  mutate(INSUR = factor(
    case_when(
      HIQ011 == 2 ~ "Uninsured",
      HIQ011 == 1 & HIQ031D == 17 ~ "Medicaid",
      HIQ011 == 1 & HIQ031B == 15 ~ "Medicare",
      HIQ011 == 1 & HIQ031A == 14 ~ "Commercial")
  ),
  INSUR = fct_relevel(INSUR, "Medicare"))

combo |> tabyl(INSUR) |> adorn_pct_formatting()
```

INSUR	n	percent	valid_percent
Medicare	1320	14.3%	15.9%
Commercial	3392	36.7%	40.8%
Medicaid	2527	27.3%	30.4%
Uninsured	1072	11.6%	12.9%
<NA>	943	10.2%	-

4 What if we use NHANES 2017-2020 instead?

- It's P_DEMO and P_HIQ, not DEMO_J and HIQ_J.
- The variables within HIQ have different names.
- The levels (codes) within each insurance type are different, too.

Resulting table turns out to be (across all ages)

```
combo2 |> tabyl(INSUR) |> adorn_pct_formatting()
```

INSUR	n	percent	valid_percent
Medicare	2153	13.8%	15.4%
Commercial	5769	37.1%	41.3%
Medicaid	4179	26.9%	30.0%
Uninsured	1852	11.9%	13.3%
<NA>	1607	10.3%	-