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ER30000 "RELEASE NUMBER

Release Number

For Release 2 we have updated Relation to Head/Reference Person and Marital indicators for several waves for a small fraction of individuals.

For Release 3 the CORE/IMM INDIVIDUAL CROSS-SECTION WT (ER34651) has been updated for all individuals in 2017 including the Immigrant 2017 sample. Additionally we have updated the Family History Summary Variables based on our most recent releases of the Marriage History, Birth History and Parent Identification Files.

Codes

- 1 Release number 1, February 2019
- 2 Release number 2, May 2019
- 3 Release number 3, August 2019

ER30001 "1968 INTERVIEW NUMBER

1968 Interview Number (1968 ID Number)

This variable is the 1968 family ID number. The combination of this variable and Person Number (ER30002) provides unique identification for each individual on the data file. Individuals associated with families from the Latino and Immigrant samples, added to the PSID in 1990/1992 and 1997/1999, and 2017 respectively, were assigned 1968 IDs so that they, too, have unique identifiers compatible with the PSID structure for the core (SRC and Census) sample.

Non-comparability Notes

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Codes

- 1 2,930 Member of, or moved into, a family from the 1968 SRC cross-section sample
- 3,001 3,511 Member of, or moved into, a family from the Immigrant sample added in 1997 and 1999. Values of 3001-3441 indicate families first interviewed in 1997; values of 3442-3511 indicate families not interviewed until 1999.
- 4,001 4,462 Member of, or moved into, a family from the Immigrant sample added in 2017. Values of 4001-4462 indicate families first interviewed in 2017.
- 5,001 6,872 Member of, or moved into, a family from the 1968 Census sample
- 7,001 9,308 Member of, or moved into, a family from the Latino sample added in 1990 and 1992.

 Values of 7001-9043 indicate families first interviewed in 1990; values of 9044-9308 indicate families not interviewed until 1992.

ER30002 "PERSON NUMBER

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Person Number

- 1 19 Individuals living in core sample families at the time of the 1968 interview; individuals living in Latino sample families at the time of the 1990 (or 1992) interview; individuals living in Immigrant sample families at the time of the 1997 (or 1999) or 2017 interview
 - 20 Husband of a core sample 1968 Head living in an institution at the time of the 1968 interview; spouse of a Latino sample 1990 Head living in an institution at the time of the 1990 interview; spouse of an Immigrant sample 1997/1999 or 2017 Head living in an institution at the time of the 1997/1999 or 2017 interview
- 21 26 Children or stepchildren of a 1968 core sample Head who were under 25 and living in institutions at the time of the 1968 interview; children of a Latino sample 1990 (or 1992) Head who were under 25 and living in institutions at the time of the 1990 (or 1992) interview; children of an Immigrant sample 1997 (or 1999) or 2017 Head who were under 25 and living in institutions at the time of the 1997 (or 1999) or 2017 interview
- 30 169 Individuals born into the core sample since the 1968 interview, the Latino sample since the 1990 (or 1992) interview, or the Immigrant sample since the 1997 (or 1999) or 2017 interview and who have at least one sample parent; these persons are sample members

- 170 226 Individuals who moved into a core family for the first time after the 1968 interview or who have no sample parent; individuals from the Latino sample, other than the spouse of a 1990 (or 1992) Head, who moved out in the year preceding the 1990 (or 1992) interview or who moved in for the first time after the 1990 (or 1992) interview; individuals from the Immigrant sample, other than the spouse of a 1997 (or 1999) Head, who moved out in the year preceding the 1997 (or 1999) interview or who moved in for the first time after the 1997 (or 1999) interview. These individuals are nonsample unless they were born after the initial wave and have at least one sample parent.
 - 227 Spouse of a core sample 1968 Head who moved out in the year prior to the 1968 interview; spouse of a Latino sample 1990 Head who moved out in the year preceding the 1990 (or 1992) interview; spouse of an Immigrant sample 1997 (or 1999) Head who moved out in the year preceding the 1997 (or 1999) interview. Spouse of an Immigrant sample 2017 Reference Person who moved out in the year preceding the 2017 interview. These individuals are nonsample.
 - 228 Spouse of a core sample 1968 Head who died in the year prior to the 1968 interview; spouse of a Latino sample 1990 (or 1992) Head in the year prior to the 1990 (or 1992) interview; spouse of an Immmigrant sample 1997 (or 1999) Head in the year prior to the 1997 (or 1999) interview; spouse of an Immmigrant sample 2017 Reference Person in the year prior to the 2017 interview. These individuals are nonsample.
- 229 399 Individuals who moved into a core family for the first time after the 1968 interview or who have no sample parent; individuals from the Latino sample, other than the spouse of a 1990 (or 1992) Head, who moved out in the year preceding the 1990 (or 1992) interview or who moved in for the first time after the 1990 (or 1992) interview; individuals from the Immigrant sample, other than the spouse of a 1997 (or 1999) Head, who moved out in the year preceding the 1997 (or 1999) interview or who moved in for the first time after the 1997 (or 1999) interview. These individuals are nonsample unless they were born after the initial wave and have at least one sample parent. This series is simply a continuation of the 170-226 group.

ER32000 "SEX OF INDIVIDUAL

Sex of Individual

Codes

1 Male

2 Female

9 NA

ER66001 "RELEASE NUMBER

Release Number

Users should note that the 2017 CORE/IMMIGRANT FAM WEIGHT NUMBER 1 (ER71570) has zero values for the new Immigrant 2017 sample (ER66009=4001-4462)

For Release 2 we have added a new variable 2017 CROSS-SECTIONAL FAMILY WEIGHT (ER71571) which encompasses the Core/Immigrant 97/99 and Immigrant 17 Samples.

Codes

1 Release number 1, February 2019

2 Release number 2, August 2019

ER66021 "# CHILDREN IN FU

Number of Persons Now in the FU Under 18 Years of Age

This variable represents the actual number of persons currently in the FU who are neither Reference Person nor Spouse/Partner, from newborns through those 17 years of age, whether or not they are actually children of the Reference Person or Spouse/Partner.

0 None

1 - 18 Actual number

ER66023 "# NONFU SHARING HU

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Number of Non-FU Members Sharing Housing Unit with This FU

This variable represents the actual number of non-FU members sharing the housing unit with this FU, whether or not the non-FU members were included in another responding FU.

Codes

0 None

1 - 20 Actual number

ER66195 "BC20 MAIN OCC FOR JOB 1: 2010 CODE (RP) "

BC20. In (your/his/her) work for (EMPNAME) (BEGMO/BEGYR)-(ENDMO/ENDYR) what (is/was) (your/Reference Person's) occupation? What sort of work (do/does/did) (you/he/she) do? What (are/were) (your/his/her) most important activities or duties?--CURRENT OR MOST RECENT MAIN JOB

The 4-digit 2010 Census Occupation Codes with Crosswalk issued by the U.S. Department of Commerce and the Bureau of the Census was used for this variable.

Please refer to https://www.census.gov/topics/employment/industry-occupation/guidance/code-lists.html

2010 Census Occupation Codes with Crosswalk

Codes

10 - 430 Management Occupations

500 - 950 Business and Financial Operations Occupations

1,000 - 1,240 Computer and Mathematical Occupations

1,300 - 1,560 Architecture and Engineering Occupations

1,600 - 1,965 Life, Physical, and Social Science Occupations

2,000 - 2,060 Community and Social Services Occupations

2,100 - 2,160 Legal Occupations

2,200 - 2,550 Education, Training, and Library Occupations

2,600 - 2,960 Arts, Design, Entertainment, Sports, and Media Occupations

3,000 - 3,540 Healthcare Practitioners and Technical Occupations

3,600 - 3,655 Healthcare Support Occupations

3,700 - 3,955 Protective Service Occupations

4,000 - 4,160 Food Preparation and Serving Related Occupations

4,200 - 4,250 Building and Grounds Cleaning and Maintenance Occupations

4,300 - 4,650 Personal Care and Service Occupations

4,700 - 4,965 Sales and Related Occupations

5,000 - 5,940 Office and Administrative Support Occupations

6,005 - 6,130 Farming, Fishing, and Forestry Occupations

6,200 - 6,940 Construction and Extraction Occupations

7,000 - 7,630 Installation, Maintenance, and Repair Occupations

7,700 - 8,965 Production Occupations

9,000 - 9,750 Transportation and Material Moving Occupations

9,800 - 9,830 Military Specific Occupations

9,999 DK; NA; refused

0 Inap.: did not work for money in 2016; has not worked for money since January 1, 2015 (ER66169=5); DK, NA, or RF whether worked for money since January 1, 2015 (ER66169=8 or 9)

ER66196 "BC21 MAIN IND FOR JOB 1: 2012 CODE (RP) "

BC21. What kind of business or industry (is/was) that in?--CURRENT OR MOST RECENT MAIN JOB

The 4-digit 2012 Census Detailed Industry Code issued by the U.S. Department of Commerce and the Bureau of the Census was used for this variable.

Please refer to https://www.census.gov/topics/employment/industry-occupation/quidance/code-lists.html

Census 2012 Detailed Industry Code List

Codes

- 170 290 Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing, and Hunting
- 370 490 Mining, Quarrying, and Oil and Gas Extraction
- 570 690 Utilities

770 Construction

- 1,070 3,990 Manufacturing
- 4,070 4,590 Wholesale Trade
- 4,670 5,790 Retail Trade
- 6,070 6,390 Transportation and Warehousing
- 6,470 6,780 Information
- 6,870 6,990 Finance and Insurance
- 7,070 7,190 Real Estate and Rental and Leasing
- 7,270 7,490 Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services
- 7,570 7,790 Management, Administrative and Support, and Waste Management Services
- 7,860 7,890 Educational Services
- 7,970 8,470 Health Care and Social Assistance
- 8,560 8,590 Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation
- 8,660 8,690 Accommodations and Food Services
- 8,770 9,290 Other Services (Except Public Administration)
- 9,370 9,870 Public Administration and Active Duty Military
 - 9,999 DK; NA; refused
 - 0 Inap.: did not work for money in 2016; has not worked for money since January 1, 2015 (ER66169=5); DK, NA, or RF whether worked for money since January 1, 2015 (ER66169=8 or 9)

ER66470 "DE20 MAIN OCC FOR JOB 1: 2010 CODE (SP) "

DE20. In (your/his/her) work for (EMPNAME) (BEGMO/BEGYR)-(ENDMO/ENDYR) what (is/was) (your/Spouse's/Partner's) occupation (when [you/he/she] left that employer)? What sort of work (do/does/did) (you/he/she) do? What (are/were) (your/his/her) most important activities or duties?--CURRENT OR MOST RECENT MAIN JOB

The 4-digit 2010 Census Occupation Codes with Crosswalk issued by the U.S. Department of Commerce and the Bureau of the Census was used for this variable.

Please refer to https://www.census.gov/topics/employment/industry-occupation/guidance/code-lists.html

2010 Census Occupation Codes with Crosswalk

- 10 430 Management Occupations
- 500 950 Business and Financial Operations Occupations
- 1,000 1,240 Computer and Mathematical Occupations
- 1,300 1,560 Architecture and Engineering Occupations
- 1,600 1,965 Life, Physical, and Social Science Occupations
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- 3,600 3,655 Healthcare Support Occupations
- 3,700 3,955 Protective Service Occupations
- 4,000 4,160 Food Preparation and Serving Related Occupations
- 4,200 4,250 Building and Grounds Cleaning and Maintenance Occupations
- 4,300 4,650 Personal Care and Service Occupations
- 4,700 4,965 Sales and Related Occupations
- 5,000 5,940 Office and Administrative Support Occupations
- 6,005 6,130 Farming, Fishing, and Forestry Occupations
- 6,200 6,940 Construction and Extraction Occupations
- 7,000 7,630 Installation, Maintenance, and Repair Occupations
- 7,700 8,965 Production Occupations
- 9,000 9,750 Transportation and Material Moving Occupations
- 9,800 9,830 Military Specific Occupations
 - 9,999 DK; NA; refused
 - O Inap.: did not work for money in 2016; has not worked for money since January 1, 2015 (ER66169=5); DK, NA, or RF whether worked for money since January 1, 2015 (ER66169=8 or 9); no Spouse/Partner in FU (ER67399=5)

ER66471 "DE21 MAIN IND FOR JOB 1: 2012 CODE (SP) "

DE21. What kind of business or industry (is/was) that in?--CURRENT OR MOST RECENT MAIN JOB

The 4-digit 2012 Census Detailed Industry Code issued by the U.S. Department of Commerce and the Bureau of the Census was used for this variable.

Please refer to https://www.census.gov/topics/employment/industry-occupation/guidance/code-lists.html

Census 2012 Detailed Industry Code List

Codes

- 170 290 Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing, and Hunting
- 370 490 Mining, Quarrying, and Oil and Gas Extraction
- 570 690 Utilities

770 Construction

- 1,070 3,990 Manufacturing
- 4,070 4,590 Wholesale Trade
- 4,670 5,790 Retail Trade
- 6,070 6,390 Transportation and Warehousing
- 6,470 6,780 Information
- 6,870 6,990 Finance and Insurance
- 7,070 7,190 Real Estate and Rental and Leasing
- 7,270 7,490 Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services
- 7,570 7,790 Management, Administrative and Support, and Waste Management Services
- 7,860 7,890 Educational Services
- 7,970 8,470 Health Care and Social Assistance
- 8,560 8,590 Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation
- 8,660 8,690 Accommodations and Food Services

- 8,770 9,290 Other Services (Except Public Administration)
- 9,370 9,870 Public Administration and Active Duty Military
 - 9,999 DK; NA; refused
 - 0 Inap.: did not work for money in 2016; has not worked for money since January 1, 2015 (ER66169=5); DK, NA, or RF whether worked for money since January 1, 2015 (ER66169=8 or 9); no Spouse/Partner in FU (ER67399=5)

ER70689 "H64 TOTAL HOSPITAL/NURSING EXPENSES PY "

H64. These next questions are about health care expenditures that (you/you and your family/they) may have had during 2016. About how much did (you/you and your family/they) pay out-of-pocket for nursing home and hospital bills in 2016?

Codes

1 - 999,996 Actual Amount

999,997 \$999,997 or more

999,998 DK

999,999 NA; refused

O Inap.: no out-of-pocket expenses for nursing homes and hospitals

ER70741 "K37 PARENTS POOR OR?--SP

K37. Were (your/Spouse's/Partner's) parents poor when (you were/[she/he] was) growing up, pretty well off, or what?

Codes

- 1 Poor
- 3 Average; "it varied"
- 5 Pretty well off
- 9 DK; NA; refused
- O Inap.: no Spouse/Partner in FU (ER67399=5)

ER70879 "L37 PARENTS POOR OR?--RP

L37. Were (your/Reference Person's) parents poor when (you were/[he/she] was) growing up, pretty well off, or what?

Also note that the order of L38 and L39 were switched in the CAI application between the 1997 wave and the 1999 wave; therefore, for new Reference Persons in 1999 (whose data was brought forward) the responses to this question are for L39.

Codes

- 1 Poor
- 3 Average; "it varied"
- 5 Pretty well off
- 9 DK; NA; refused

ER71277 "WAGES AND SALARIES OF REF PERSON-2016"

Reference Person's Income from Wages and Salaries in 2016 All missing data were assigned.

- 1 9,999,997 Actual amount
 - O Inap.: no income from wages or salaries in 2016

ER71293 "LABOR INCOME OF REF PERSON-2016

Reference Person's 2016 Labor Income, Excluding Farm and Unincorporated Business Income

The income reported here was collected in 2017 about tax year 2016. It is the sum of several labor income components from the raw data, including, in addition to wages and salaries (ER71277), any separate reports of bonuses (ER71279), overtime (ER71281), tips (ER71283), commissions (ER71285), professional practice or trade (ER71287), additional job income (ER71289), and miscellaneous labor income (ER71291).

Note that farm income (ER71272) and the labor portion of business income (ER71274) are NOT included here. All missing data were assigned.

Codes

1 - 9,999,997 Actual amount

O Inap.: no labor income in 2016

ER71305 "WAGES AND SALARIES OF SPOUSE-2016

Spouse's/Partner's Income from Wages and Salaries in 2016 All missing data were assigned.

Codes

1 - 9,999,997 Actual amount

O Inap.: no wages or salaries in 2016; no Spouse/Partner in FU (ER67399=5)

ER71321 "LABOR INCOME OF SPOUSE-2016

Spouse's/Partner's 2016 Labor Income, Excluding Farm and Unincorporated Business Income

The income reported here was collected in 2017 about tax year 2016. It is the sum of several labor income components from the raw data, including, in addition to wages and salaries (ER71305), any separate reports of bonuses (ER71307), overtime (ER71309), tips (ER71311), commissions (ER71313), professional practice or trade (ER71315), additional job income (ER71317), and miscellaneous labor income (ER71319).

Note that farm income (ER71272) and the labor portion of business income (ER71302) are NOT included here. All missing data were assigned.

Codes

1 - 9,999,997 Actual amount

O Inap.: no labor income in 2016; no Spouse/Partner in FU (ER67399=5)

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ER71426 "TOTAL FAMILY INCOME-2016

Total 2016 Family Money Income

The income reported here was collected in 2017 about tax year 2016. Please note that this variable can contain negative values. Negative values indicate a net loss, which in waves prior to 1994 were bottom-coded at \$1, as were zero amounts.

These losses occur as a result of business or farm losses.

This variable is the sum of these seven variables:

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ER71330 Reference Person and Spouse/Partner Taxable Income-2016
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ER71391 Reference Person and Spouse/Partner Transfer Income-2016

ER71398 Taxable Income of Other FU Members-2016

ER71419 Transfer Income of OFUMS-2016

ER71420 Reference Person Social Security Income-2016

ER71422 Spouse/Partner Social Security Income-2016

ER71424 OFUM Social Security Income-2016

Codes

-999,997 - -1 Actual loss

1 - 9,999,997 Actual amount

O Inap.: no family money income in 2016

ER71487 "FOOD EXPENDITURE 2017

Total Family Food Expenditure: Generated variable combining expenditures for food at home, delivered, and eaten away from home.

Total Family Food Expenditure, including at home, delivered, and eaten away from home. Missing values are imputed. Imputation may result in negative values due to linear regression model. These negative values are kept in order to preserve population mean consistent with the estimation.

Codes

0.00 - 124,800.00 Total Family Food Expenditure

ER71491 "HOUSING EXPENDITURE 2017

Total Family Housing Expenditure: Generated variable combining expenditures for mortgage and loan payments, rent, property tax, insurance, utilities, cable TV, telephone, internet charges, home repairs, and home furnishings.

Total Family Housing Expenditure, including mortgage and loan payments, rent, property tax, insurance, utilities, cable TV, telephone, internet charges, home repairs, and home furnishings. Missing values are imputed. Imputation may result in negative values due to linear regression model. These negative values are kept in order to preserve population mean consistent with the estimation.

Codes

30.00 - 479,200.00 Total Family Housing Expenditure

0.00 Inap.: FU pays rent or FU neither owns nor rents (ER66030=5 or 8)

ER71495 "PROPERTY TAX EXPENDITURE 2017

A21. About how much are your total yearly property taxes, including city, county, and school taxes?

Missing values are imputed. Imputation may result in negative values due to linear regression model. These negative values are kept in order to preserve population mean consistent with the estimation.

Codes

-477.76 - 64,000.00 Total Family Property Tax Expenditure

ER71496 "HOME INSURANCE EXPENDITURE 2017

A22. How much is your total yearly homeowner's insurance premium?

Missing values are imputed. Imputation may result in negative values due to linear regression model. These negative values are kept in order to preserve population mean consistent with the estimation.

Codes

-175.61 - 9,997.00 Total Family Homewner's Insurance Expenditure

ER71497 "UTILITY EXPENDITURE 2017

Total Family Utility Expenditure: Generated variable combining expenditures for gas, electricity, water and sewer, and other utilities

Total Family Utility Expenditure, including gas, electricity, water, sewer, and other utilities. Missing values are imputed. Imputation may result in negative values due to linear regression model. These negative values are kept in order to preserve population mean consistent with the estimation.

Codes

0.00 - 42,900.00 Total Family Utility Expenditure

ER71503 "TRANSPORTATION EXPENDITURE 2017

Total Family Transportation Expenditure: Generated variable combining expenditures for vehicle loan, lease, and down payments, insurance, other vehicle expenditures, repairs and maintenance, gasoline, parking and car pool, bus fares and train fares, taxicabs and other transportation.

Total Family Transportation Expenditure, including vehicle loan payment, vehicle down payment, vehicle lease payment, insurance, other vehicle expenditures, repairs and maintenance, gasoline, parking and carpool, bus and train fares, taxicabs, and other transportation costs. Missing values are imputed. Imputation may result in negative values due to linear regression model. These negative values are kept in order to preserve population mean consistent with the estimation.

NOTE TO USER: A programming error at at ER66926 (F77) caused ER66929 (F80D) to be skipped if a valid response (in the range \$1-\$999,997) was given at ER66926 (F77).

Codes

-28.91 - 245,000.00 Total Family Transportation Expenditure

ER71515 "EDUCATION EXPENDITURE 2016

F83. How much in total were these (school-related) expenses ? F86. Altogether, how much were these other (school) expenses?

Missing values are imputed. Imputation may result in negative values due to linear regression model. These negative values are kept in order to preserve population mean consistent with the estimation.

Codes

-853.03 - 130,000.00 Total Family Education Expenditure

ER71517 "HEALTH CARE EXPENDITURE 2017

Total Family Health Care Expenditure: Generated variable combining expenditures for hospital and nursing home, doctor, prescription drugs and insurance.

Total Family Health Care Expenditure, including hospital and nursing home, doctor, prescriptions, in-home medical care, and special facilities expenditures. Missing values are imputed. Imputation may result in negative values due to linear regression model. These negative values are kept in order to preserve population mean consistent with the estimation.

Codes

-995.34 - 224,098.00 Total Family Health Care Expenditure

ER71520 "PRESCRIPTIONS/OTHER EXPENDITURE 2016

H76. About how much did you (and your family) pay out-of-pocket for prescriptions, in-home medical care, special facilities, and other services in 2016?

Total Family Prescriptions, In-Home Medical Care, Special Facilities, and Other Services Expenditure. Missing values are imputed. Imputation may result in negative values due to linear regression model. These negative values are kept in order to preserve population mean consistent with the estimation.

Codes

-101.77 - 72,000.00 Total Family Prescriptions/Other Expenditure

ER71538 "COMPLETED ED-RP

Reference Person's Completed Education Level

Values in the range 1-16 represent the actual grade of school completed; e.g., a value of 8 indicates that the Reference Person completed the eighth grade.

Values were computed as follows: If it is not known whether Reference Person attended college (ER70904=8 or 9) or the number of years of college is unknown (ER70907=8 or 9), then the value is 99. Otherwise, if Reference Person attended college (ER70904=1), then the value is 12 plus the number of years of college attended (ER70907). Otherwise, if Reference Person did not attend college, (ER70904=5), the values are as follows:

- (a) if Reference Person is a high school graduate (ER70893=1), the value is 12;
- (b) if Reference Person received a GED (ER70893=2), the value is the last grade finished (ER70896);
- (c) if Reference Person neither graduated from high school nor got a GED (ER70893=3), the value is the last grade finished (ER70901);
- (d) if it is not known whether Reference Person graduated from high school, got a GED, or neither (ER70893=8 or 9), then the value is 99.

Education is asked only when the FU acquires a new Reference Person/Spouse/Partner. In cases where the Reference Person has retained the same designation of Reference Person/Spouse/Partner from the previous interview (ER70841=5), this variable has been carried forward from previous years' data. If Reference Person/Spouse/Partner reports updated education and it is higher than previously reported, then this variable is updated. Education was reasked of all Reference Persons in 1985 and 2009 and, as of 2015, all returning Reference Persons/Spouses/Partners are asked for an updated education report every wave. Please refer to variable Year Highest Education was Updated-Reference Person (ER70891) for recency of updated education information.

This variable differs from the individual level variableER34349 in the treatment of Reference Persons who received a GED but did not attend college. The family-level variable value for such Reference Persons is the grade completed; for the individual-level variable, the value is 12.

- O Completed no grades of school
- 1 17 Actual number
 - 99 DK; NA

ER71539 "COMPLETED ED-SP

Spouse's/Partner's Completed Education Level

Values in the range 1-16 represent the actual grade of school completed; e.g., a value of 8 indicates that the Spouse/Partner completed the eighth grade.

Values were computed as follows: If it is not known whether Spouse/Partner attended college (ER70766=8 or 9) or the number of years of college is unknown (ER70769=8 or 9), then the value is 99. Otherwise, if Spouse/Partner attended college (ER70766=1), then the value is 12 plus the number of years of college attended (ER70769). Otherwise, if Spouse/Partner did not attend college, (ER70766=5), the values are as follows:

- (a) if Spouse/Partner is a high school graduate (ER70755=1), the value is 12;
- (b) if Spouse/Partner received a GED (ER70755=2), the value is the last grade finished (ER70758);
- (c) if Spouse/Partner neither graduated from high school nor got a GED (ER70755=3), the value is the last grade finished (ER70763);
- (d) if it is not known whether Spouse/Partner graduated from high school, got a GED, or neither (ER70755=8 or 9), then the value is 99.

Education is asked only when the FU acquires a new Reference Person/Spouse/Partner. In cases where the Spouse/Partner has retained the same designation of Reference Person/Spouse/Partner from the previous interview (ER70841=5), this variable has been carried forward from previous years' data. If Reference Person/Spouse/Partner reports updated education and it is higher than previously reported, then this variable is updated. Education was reasked of all Spouses/Partners in 1985 and 2009 and, as of 2015, all returning Reference Persons/Spouses/Partners are asked for a updated education report every wave. Please refer to variable Year Highest Education was Updated-Spouse/Partner (ER70753) for recency of updated educational information.

This variable differs from the individual level variableER34349 in the treatment of Spouses/Partners who received a GED but did not attend college. The family-level variable value for such Spouses/Partners is the grade completed; for the individual-level variable, the value is 12.

Codes

- 1 17 Actual number
 - 99 DK; NA
 - O Inap.: completed no grades of school; no Spouse/Partner in FU (ER67399=5)

ER34501 "2017 INTERVIEW NUMBER

2017 Interview Number (2017 ID Number)

The values for this variable represent the 2017 interview number of the family in which this individual was included in 2017. We interviewed 9,607 families in 2017.

Codes

- 1 9,656 2017 family interview number
 - O Inap.: this individual was main family nonresponse by 2017 or mover-out nonresponse by 2015; from Latino sample (ER30001=7001-9308)

ER34502 "SEQUENCE NUMBER

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2017 Sequence Number

This variable provides a means of identifying an individual's status with regard to the FU at the time of the 2017 interview.

- 1 20 Individuals in the family at the time of the 2017 interview
- 51 59 Individuals in institutions at the time of the 2017 interview
- 71 80 Individuals who moved out of the FU or out of institutions and established their own households between the 2015 and 2017 interviews
- 81 89 Individuals who were living in 2015 but died by the time of the 2017 interview
 - 0 Inap.: from Latino sample (ER30001=7001-9308); main family nonresponse by 2017 or mover-out nonresponse by 2015 (ER34501=0)

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ER34503 "RELATION TO REFERENCE PERSON

2017 Relationship to Reference Person

Note that these relationships are those to the 2015 Reference Person for any individual whose 2017 sequence number (ER34502) is greater than 50; that is, individual has moved out of the FU. Thus, for example, if the 2015 Reference Person is no longer present at the time of the 2017 interview, his or her relationship to Reference Person is coded 10; the new 2017 Reference Person also is coded 10. Therefore, to select current Reference Persons, the user must select those coded 10 in this variable whose sequence numbers (ER34502) are coded 01.

- 10 Reference Person in 2017; 2015 Reference Person who was mover-out nonresponse by the time of the 2017 interview
- 20 Legal Spouse in 2017; 2015 Spouse who was mover-out nonresponse by the time of the 2017 interview
- 22 Partner--cohabitor who has lived with Reference Person for 12 months or more; 2015 Partner who was mover-out nonresponse by the time of the 2017 interview
- 30 Son or daughter of Reference Person (includes adopted children but not stepchildren)
- 33 Stepson or stepdaughter of Reference Person (children of legal Spouse [code 20] who are not children of Reference Person)
- 35 Son or daughter of Partner but not Reference Person (includes only those children of mothers whose relationship to Reference Person is 22 but who are not children of Reference Person)
- 37 Son-in-law or daughter-in-law of Reference Person (includes stepchildren-in-law)
- 38 Foster son or foster daughter, not legally adopted
- 40 Brother or sister of Reference Person (includes step and half sisters and brothers)
- 47 Brother-in-law or sister-in-law of Reference Person (i.e., brother or sister of legal Spouse; spouse of HD's brother or sister; spouse of legal Spouse's brother or sister)
- 48 Brother or sister of Reference Person's cohabitor (the cohabitor is coded 22 or 88)
- 50 Father or mother of Reference Person (includes stepparents)
- 57 Father-in-law or mother-in-law of Reference Person (includes parents of legal spouses [code 20] only)
- 58 Father or mother of Reference Person's cohabitor (the cohabitor is coded 22 or 88)
- 60 Grandson or granddaughter of Reference Person (includes grandchildren of legal Spouse [code 20] only; those of a cohabitor are coded 97)
- 65 Great-grandson or great-granddaughter of Reference Person (includes great-grandchildren of legal Spouse [code 20]; those of a cohabitor are coded 97)
- 66 Grandfather or grandmother of Reference Person (includes stepgrandparents)
- 67 Grandfather or grandmother of legal Spouse (code 20)
- 68 Great-grandfather or great-grandmother of Reference Person
- 69 Great-grandfather or great-grandmother of legal Spouse (code 20)
- 70 Nephew or niece of Reference Person
- 71 Nephew or niece of legal Spouse (code 20)
- 72 Uncle or Aunt of Reference Person
- 73 Uncle or Aunt of legal Spouse (code 20)
- 74 Cousin of Reference Person
- 75 Cousin of legal Spouse (code 20)
- 83 Children of first-year cohabitor but not of Reference Person (the parent of this child is coded 88)

- 88 First-year cohabitor of Reference Person
- 90 Uncooperative legal spouse of Reference Person (this individual is unable or unwilling to be designated as Reference Person or Spouse)
- 92 Uncooperative partner of Reference Person (this individual is unable or unwilling to be designated as Partner)
- 95 Other relative of Reference Person
- 96 Other relative of legal Spouse (code 20)
- 97 Other relative of cohabitor (the cohabitor is code 22 or 88)
- 98 Other nonrelatives (includes friends of children of the FU, boyfriend/girlfriend of son/daughter, et al.)
 - O Inap.: from Latino sample (ER30001=7001-9308); main family nonresponse by 2017 or mover-out nonresponse by 2015 (ER34502=0)

ER34504 "AGE OF INDIVIDUAL

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Age at the Time of the 2017 Interview

The values for this variable represent the actual age of the individual reported in years on his or her most recent birthday. Consistency of ER34504 with ER34505-ER34506 was not forced unless it was clear that the interviewer made an error in recording the individual's age or birth date.

Codes

- 1 Newborn up to second birthday
- 2 125 Actual age
 - 999 DK; NA; refused
 - O Inap.: from Latino sample (ER30001=7001-9308); main family nonresponse by 2017 or mover-out nonresponse by 2015 (ER34501=0)

ER34506 "YEAR INDIVIDUAL BORN

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Year of Birth

Codes

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1,870 - 2,017 Actual year of birth 9,999 DK; NA; refused
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O Inap.: from Latino sample (ER30001=7001-9308); main family nonresponse by 2017 or mover-out nonresponse by 2015 (ER34501=0)

ER34507 "MARITAL PAIRS INDICATOR

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2017 Married Pairs Indicator

This variable links pairs of individuals who were married or permanently cohabiting at the time of the 2017 interview. Spouses in the first such pair within a family unit each receive a code value of 1 here; the second, a value of 2, and so on. Usually, the first married pair consists of Reference Person and Spouse/Partner or Reference Person and Uncooperative legal spouse of Reference Person.

- 1 Spouse in couple numbered 1
- 2 Spouse in couple numbered 2
- 3 Spouse in couple numbered 3
- 4 Spouse in couple numbered 4
- O Inap.: spouse was not in FU at the time of the 2017 interview; not married or permanently cohabiting; from Latino sample (ER30001=7001-9308); main family nonresponse by 2017 or mover-out nonresponse by 2015 (ER34501=0)

Non-comparability Notes Appendix

I-k Field width differs.