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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.

For Release 4, we have updated information for the Immigrant 17 cohort for Sampling Error Stratum (ER31996) and Sampling Error Cluster (ER31997).

Codes

- 1 Release number 1, February 2019
- 2 Release number 2, May 2019
- 3 Release number 3, August 2019
- 4 Release number 4, February 2020

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

68"

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.

ER10001 "RELEASE NUMBER

Release Number

May 2008: Variables ER12085-ER12223, formerly available separately, have now been incorporated into this file with those variable names. Variable ER12084 has been recalculated. Variable ER12224, a family cross-sectional weight, has been added.

November 2013: Added generated variables such as Family Composition Change (ER10004A), DUFU variables (ER12223F-ER12223R), Splitoff variables (ER12223D-ER12223E), Births to HD/WF/OFUM (ER12223S-ER12223V), Generated Marital Status (ER12223A), Change in Marital Status (ER12223B), Couple status of Head (ER12223C), Region where Head grew up (ER12221C), HD Geographic Mobility (ER12221D), Current Region (ER12221E). Interview length, mode of interview, language of interview, calls for iw (ER10005B-ER10005E). Brought forward the background section for old Heads and Wives in section KL.

January 2016: Added generated variables splitoff indicator (ER10005F), 1968 Family Identifier (ER10005G), Whether Re-instated Dropped Family (ER10005H), Collapsed Beale Code (ER12221F), Number of Individual records (ER10005I), DE1 Checkpoint (ER10562A) and F1 Checkpoint (ER11044A). In addition we corrected the top code amount for A20 (ER10036) and A21 (ER10037) to match the codebook values.

March 2016: Data correction was made for Whether Re-instated Dropped Family (ER10005H)

- 1 Release number 1 April 1999
- 2 Release number 2 May 1999
- 3 Release number 3- June 1999
- 4 Release number 4 May 2008
- 5 Release number 5 November 2013

6 Release number 6 - January 2016

7 Release number 7 - March 2016

ER10012 "# CHILDREN IN FU

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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 Head nor Wife/"Wife" from newborns through those 17 years of age, whether or not they are actually children of the Head or Wife/"Wife."

Codes

0 None

1 - 18 Actual number

ER12222 "COMPLETED ED-HD

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Head'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 Head completed the eighth grade. A code value of 17 indicates that the Head completed at least some postgraduate work.

Education is asked only when the FU acquires a new Head. In cases where the Head has remained the same person from the previous interview (ER11712=5), this variable has been carried forward from previous years' data with no updating or other change. Education was asked of all Heads in 1985.

This variable differs from the individual level variable ER33415 in the treatment of Heads who received a GED but did not attend college. The family-level variable value for such Heads is the highest grade completed; for the individual-level variable, the value is 12.

Codes

O Completed no grades of school

1 - 16 Actual number

17 At least some post-graduate work

99 NA; DK

ER12223 "COMPLETED ED-WF

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Wife's/"Wife'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 Wife/"Wife" completed the eighth grade. A code value of 17 indicates that the Wife/"Wife" completed at least some postgraduate work.

Education is asked only when the FU acquires a new Wife/"Wife". In cases where the Wife/"Wife" has remained the same person from the previous interview (ER11731=5), this variable has been carried forward from previous years' data with no updating or other change. Education was asked of all Wives/"Wives" in 1985.

This variable differs from the individual level variable ER33415 in the treatment of Wives/"Wives" who received a GED but did not attend college. The family-level variable value for such Wives/"Wives" is the grade completed; for the individual-level variable, the value is 12.

Codes

1 - 16 Actual number

17 At least some post-graduate work

99 NA; DK

O Inap.: no wife/"wife" in FU; completed no grades of school

ER33401 "1997 INTERVIEW NUMBER

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1997 Interview Number (1997 ID Number)

The values for this variable represent the 1997 interview number of the family in which this individual was included in 1997. We interviewed 6,306 core families and 441 Immigrant sample families in 1997.

Codes

1 - 6,353 1997 core family interview number

10,001 - 10,444 1997 Immigrant family interview number

O This individual was main family nonresponse by 1997 or mover-out nonresponse by 1996; from Immigrant 99 recontact, Immigrant 17 or Latino samples (ER30001=3442-3511, 4001-4462, 7001-9308)

ER33402 "SEQUENCE NUMBER

97"

1997 Sequence Number

This variable provides a means of identifying an individual's status with regard to the FU at the time of the 1997 interview.

Codes

- 1 20 Individuals in the family at the time of the 1997 interview
- 51 59 Individuals in institutions at the time of the 1997 interview
- 71 80 Individuals who moved out of the FU or out of institutions and established their own households between the 1996 and 1997 interviews
- 81 89 Individuals who were living in 1996 but died by the time of the 1997 interview
 - 0 Inap.: born or moved in after the 1997 interview; from Immigrant or Latino samples (ER30001=3001-3511,4001-4462,7001-9308); main family nonresponse by 1997 or mover-out nonresponse by 1996 (ER33401=0)

ER33403 "RELATION TO HEAD

97"

1997 Relationship to Head

Note that these relationships are those to the 1996 Head for any individual whose 1997 sequence number (ER33402) is greater than 50, that is, has moved out of the FU. Thus, for example, if the 1996 Head is no longer present at the time of the 1997 interview, his or her relationship to Head is coded 10; the new 1997 Head also is coded 10. Therefore, to select current Heads, the user must select those coded 10 in this variable whose sequence numbers (ER33402=01).

- 10 Head in 1997; 1996 Head who was mover-out nonresponse by the time of the 1997 interview
- 20 Legal Wife in 1997; 1996 Wife who was mover-out nonresponse by the time of the 1997 interview
- 22 "Wife"--female cohabitor who has lived with Head for 12 months or more or who was present in the 1996 family, since consecutive interviews may be taken less or more than twelve months apart; 1996 "Wife" who was mover-out nonresponse by the time of the 1997 interview
- 30 Son or daughter of Head (includes adopted children but not stepchildren)
- 33 Stepson or stepdaughter of Head (children of legal Wife (code 20) who are not children of Head)
- 35 Son or daughter of "Wife" but not Head (includes only those children of mothers whose relationship to Head is 22 but who are not children of Head)
- 37 Son-in-law or daughter-in-law of Head (includes stepchildren-in-law)
- 38 Foster son or foster daughter, not legally adopted
- 40 Brother or sister of Head (includes step and half sisters and brothers)
- 47 Brother-in-law or sister-in-law of Head; i.e., brother or sister of legal Wife, or spouse of Head's brother or sister.
- 48 Brother or sister of Head's cohabitor (the cohabitor is coded 22 or 88)
- 50 Father or mother of Head (includes stepparents)
- 57 Father-in-law or mother-in-law of Head (includes parents of legal wives (code 20) only)
- 58 Father or mother of Head's cohabitor (the cohabitor is coded 22 or 88)
- 60 Grandson or granddaughter of Head (includes grandchildren of legal Wife (code 20), but those of a cohabitor are coded 97)
- 65 Great-grandson or great-granddaughter of Head (includes great-grandchildren of legal Wife (code 20), but those of a cohabitor are coded 97)

- 66 Grandfather or grandmother of Head (includes stepgrandparents)
- 67 Grandfather or grandmother of legal Wife (code 20)
- 68 Great-grandfather or great-grandmother of Head
- 69 Great-grandfather or great-grandmother of legal Wife (code 20)
- 70 Nephew or niece of Head
- 71 Nephew or niece of legal Wife (code 20)
- 72 Uncle or Aunt of Head
- 73 Uncle or Aunt of legal Wife (code 20)
- 74 Cousin of Head
- 75 Cousin of legal Wife (code 20)
- 83 Children of first-year cohabitor but not of Head (the parent of this child is coded 88)
- 88 First-year cohabitor of Head
- 90 Legal husband of Head
- 95 Other relative of Head
- 96 Other relative of legal Wife (code 20)
- 97 Other relative of cohabitor (the cohabitor is code 22 or 88)
- 98 Other nonrelatives (includes homosexual partners, friends of children of the FU, etc.)
- 0 Inap. from Immigrant Sample added in 1999, from Immigrant Sample added in 2017 or Latino samples (ER30001=3442-3511, 4001-4462, 7001-9308); main family nonresponse by 1997 or mover-out nonresponse by 1996 (ER33401=0); born or moved in after the 1997 interview (ER33401>0 and ER33402=0)

ER33415 "YEARS COMPLETED EDUCATION 97"

G90. What is the highest grade or year of school that (he/she) has completed?

The values for this variable represent the actual grade of school completed; e.g., a value of 08 indicates that this individual completed the eighth grade by the time of the 1997 interview.

This variable contains values for 1997 Heads and Wives/"Wives" from 1997 family-level data, although information about completed education is not asked annually for them as it is for other family unit members. This variable differs from the family-level variables for Head and Wife/"Wife" in the treatment of Heads and Wives/"Wives" who received a GED but did not attend college. The value for the family-level variable is the grade completed; for this individual-level variable, the value is 12. Education was re-asked of all Heads and Wives/"Wives" in 1985.

Codes

- 1 17 Highest grade or year of school completed
 - 98 DK
 - 99 NA
 - O Inap.: from Immigrant 99 recontact, Immigrant 17 or Latino samples (ER30001=3442-3511,4001-4462,7001-9308); main family nonresponse by 1997 or mover-out nonresponse by 1996 (ER33401=0); in an institution in both 1996 and 1997 (ER33402=51-59 and ER33408=0); born or moved in after the 1997 interview (ER33401>0 and ER33402=0); not a person aged 16 or older (ER33404=001-015)

CHREL97 "PCG CHILD FILE RELEASE NUMBER 97

PCG Child File Release Number

- 1 RELEASE NUMBER 1 APRIL 2000
- 2 RELEASE NUMBER 2 MARCH 2006

Q1B17 "AGE OF CHILD 97

Interview Checkpoint - Child's age

Codes

1 CHILD IS UNDER 3 YEARS

2 CHILD IS AGE 3 - 5

3 CHILD IS AGE 6 - 9

4 CHILD IS AGE 10 OR OLDER

Non-comparability Notes Appendix

I-k Field width differs.