VARIABLE DESCRIPTION

VERSION VERSION NUMBER OF RELEASE

Question	Version of Cumulative Data File
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Notes GENERAL NOTE:

This character variable appears in the data as:

ANES_cdf_VERSION:YYYY-mmm-DD

where mmm is standard 3-character month abbreviation (Jan Feb Mar Apr May Jun Jul Aug Sep Oct Nov Dec).

VCF0004 YEAR OF STUDY

Question Year of study (4-digit)

VCF0006 STUDY RESPONDENT NUMBER: YEAR-LEVEL CASE ID

Question	Case identification number
Notes	GENERAL NOTE: In Pre-Post studies, this is the Pre case ID. 2016 NOTE: This is the revised 2016 case id number.
Weight	VCF0009x/VCF0009y/VCF0009z
Sources	1948: V480002 1952: V520002 1956: V560002 1958: V580002 1960: V600002 1962: V620002 1964: V640002 1966: V660002 1968: V680002 1970: V700002(type 0) 1972: V720002 1974: V742002 1976: V763002 1978: V780002 1978: V780004 1982: V820004 1982: V820004 1988: V840004 1988: V840004 1999: V923004

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2002: V020001 2004: V040001 2008: V080001 2012: caseid 2016: V160001 2020: V200001

VCF0006a UNIQUE RESPONDENT NUMBER (CROSS-YEAR ID FOR PANEL CASES)

Question	Unique identification number
Notes	GENERAL NOTE: For non-panel cases this corresponds to 4-digit year of study followed by 4-digit case id from the study as found in VCF0006. For panel cases, this corresponds to 4-digit year of first year of time-series participation followed by 4-digit case id from first participation study. For example, 1958 ANES panel cases (first interviewed in the 1956 anes) are numbered 1956xxxx where xxxx corresponds to the case ID the respondent had been assigned previously in the 1956 study; VCF0006, by contrast, includes the respondent's 1958 ANES case ID. Studies including panel cases as part of the overall study cross-section are flagged in VCF00016. 1958 NOTE: In the 1958 anes time-series study, V580007 and V580008 flags whether 1958 respondents were previously interviewed in 1956. However, some respondents flagged in these variables had been interviewed in 1956 not as part of the 1956 anes study's cross-section sample, but as part of a sample component intended for a separate 'panel' (non-cross-section) file. Thus the actual count of cases from the 1958 study having 1956 unique IDs in VCF0006a (as 1956xxxx, where xxxx is the 1956 ANES cross-section case ID) does not correspond with the count of cases flagged in V580007 and V580008 for previous participation in 1956. 1960 NOTE: see 1958 NOTE; cases flagged in the 1960 ANES study for participation prior to 1960 may have participated outside of the time-series cross-section(s) in the year(s) of prior participation and may not correspond to the count of cases found here for initial time-series participation.

VCF0009x WEIGHT: FOR 1970 TYPE 0 - 2012,2016 FTF SAMPLE

Question	CDF Weight: 1970 type 0 - 2012 FTF sample
Notes	GENERAL NOTE: See Appendix documentation: WEIGHTS IN THE CUMULATIVE DATA FILE
Sources	1958: V580003 1960: V600003 1974: V742003 1976: V763003 1992: V927000 1994: V940007a 1996: V960005a 1998: V980002 2000: V000002 2002: V020101 2004: V040101 2008: V080101