

# NHATS\_NCOS\_datasets

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1st: NHATS datasets (caregivers/digital tools)

## Focusing on Digital tools first:

```
# Load necessary libraries
library(haven)      # For reading SAS files
library(dplyr)      # For data manipulation

##
## Attaching package: 'dplyr'

## The following objects are masked from 'package:stats':
##
##   filter, lag

## The following objects are masked from 'package:base':
##
##   intersect, setdiff, setequal, union

library(readr)      # For exporting CSV
library(tidyverse)

## -- Attaching core tidyverse packages ----- tidyverse 2.0.0 --
## v forcats   1.0.0      v stringr   1.5.1
## v ggplot2   3.5.1      v tibble   3.2.1
## v lubridate 1.9.3      v tidyr    1.3.1
## v purrr     1.0.2

## -- Conflicts ----- tidyverse_conflicts() --
## x dplyr::filter() masks stats::filter()
## x dplyr::lag()    masks stats::lag()
## i Use the conflicted package (<http://conflicted.r-lib.org/>) to force all conflicts to become errors

# Set file paths (Update these based on your file locations)
tracker_data <- read_sas("~/desktop/Digital-tools_caregivers/NHATS_R13_Final_Release_SAS/Tracker_files/NHATS_R13_Final_Release_SAS/Tracker_data.sas")
tab_act <- read_sas("~/desktop/Digital-tools_caregivers/NHATS_R13_Final_Release_SAS/Tab_act_files/NHATS_R13_Final_Release_SAS/Tab_act.sas")

# Tab_Act => Covers assistive devices, telehealth, vision, hearing, mobility

# Save as CSV
# write.csv(tracker_data, "tracker_data.csv", row.names = FALSE)
# write.csv(tab_act, "tab_act.csv", row.names = FALSE)
```

```
#Exploratory data analysis:
```

```
# # Display all column names
# colnames(tracker_data)
# colnames(tab_act)
#
# #Check Data Structure & Summary
# # View first few rows
# head(tracker_data)
# head(tab_act)
#
# # Summary statistics for numerical variables
# summary(tracker_data)
# summary(tab_act)
#
#
# # Check structure of the datasets
# str(tracker_data)
# str(tab_act)
#
# # Count unique values in selected variables
# table(tab_act$vh13vision)
```

```
# Ensure participant ID is kept
```

```
id_column <- "spid"
```

```
# Functional Limitations (Vision & Hearing)
```

```
functional_columns <- c("vh13vision", "vh13hearing", "vb135lgllasses", "vb135lcontacts", "vb135lothvisaid")
```

```
# Readmission & Chronic Condition Care (searching for relevant terms)
```

```
readmission_columns <- grep("readmit|hospital", names(df), value = TRUE, ignore.case = TRUE)
```

```
# Caregiver Support & Digital Tools (searching for relevant terms)
```

```
caregiver_columns <- grep("care|support", names(df), value = TRUE, ignore.case = TRUE)
```

```
# Cognitive & Functional Ability Measures
```

```
cognitive_columns <- c("cb13onbspeed", "cb13onbstdev", "cb13onbacc", "cb13onbcorr", "cb13onberr",
                      "cb13onbcomp", "cb13onbinteg", "cb13dcogbatm")
```

```
# Combine all selected columns
```

```
selected_columns <- unique(c(id_column, functional_columns, readmission_columns, caregiver_columns, cognitive_columns))
```

```
# Filter the dataset to keep only relevant columns
```

```
tab_act_filtered <- tab_act %>% select(all_of(selected_columns))
```

```
# View the filtered dataset
```

```
head(tab_act_filtered)
```

```
## # A tibble: 6 x 14
```

```
##       spid  vh13vision  vh13hearing  vb135lgllasses  vb135lcontacts  vb135lothvisaid
##   <dbl>    <dbl>        <dbl>        <dbl>          <dbl>          <dbl>
## 1 10000008      1          1          2            2            2
```

```
## 2 10000021      1      1      1      2      2
## 3 10000022     -1     -1     -1     -1     -1
## 4 10000036      1      1      2      2      2
## 5 10000041      1      1      1      2      2
## 6 10000043      2      2     -1     -1     -1
## # i 8 more variables: cb13onbspeed <dbl>, cb13onbstdev <dbl>, cb13onbacc <dbl>,
## #   cb13onbcorr <dbl>, cb13onberr <dbl>, cb13onbcomp <dbl>, cb13onbinteg <dbl>,
## #   cb13dcogbatm <dbl>
```

```
# Rename columns to be more understandable
```

```
tab_act_filtered <- tab_act_filtered %>%
  rename(
    participant_id = spid,
    Vision_Status = vh13vision,
    Hearing_Status = vh13hearing,
    Uses_Glasses = vb135lgllasses,
    Uses_Contacts = vb135lcontacts,
    Uses_Other_Visual_Aid = vb135lothvisaid,
    Cognitive_Speed = cb13onbspeed,
    Cognitive_Std_Dev = cb13onbstdev,
    Cognitive_Accuracy = cb13onbacc,
    Cognitive_Correct_Responses = cb13onbcorr,
    Cognitive_Errors = cb13onberr,
    Cognitive_Completion = cb13onbcomp,
    Cognitive_Integration = cb13onbinteg,
    Cognitive_Battery_Measure = cb13dcogbatm
  )
```

```
# View the renamed dataset
```

```
head(tab_act_filtered)
```

```
## # A tibble: 6 x 14
##   participant_id Vision_Status Hearing_Status Uses_Glasses Uses_Contacts
##   <dbl>          <dbl>          <dbl>          <dbl>          <dbl>
## 1 10000008          1            1            2            2
## 2 10000021          1            1            1            2
## 3 10000022         -1           -1           -1           -1
## 4 10000036          1            1            2            2
## 5 10000041          1            1            1            2
## 6 10000043          2            2           -1           -1
## # i 9 more variables: Uses_Other_Visual_Aid <dbl>, Cognitive_Speed <dbl>,
## #   Cognitive_Std_Dev <dbl>, Cognitive_Accuracy <dbl>,
## #   Cognitive_Correct_Responses <dbl>, Cognitive_Errors <dbl>,
## #   Cognitive_Completion <dbl>, Cognitive_Integration <dbl>,
## #   Cognitive_Battery_Measure <dbl>
```

```
# Define the relevant columns
```

```
selected_columns <- c("spid", "r13panel", "r13status", "r13casestdtmt", "r13casestdtyr",
  "r13spstat1", "r13spstat2", "r13fqstat",
  "r12status", "r11status")
```

```
# Filter the dataset to keep only relevant columns
```

```
tracker_data_filtered <- tracker_data %>% select(all_of(selected_columns))
```

```

# Rename the columns to meaningful names
tracker_data_filtered <- tracker_data_filtered %>%
  rename(
    participant_id = spid,
    Panel_ID = r13panel,
    Overall_Case_Status = r13status,
    Case_Status_Month = r13casestdtmt,
    Case_Status_Year = r13casestdyr,
    Participant_Interview_Status_1 = r13spstat1,
    Participant_Interview_Status_2 = r13spstat2,
    Facility_Questionnaire_Status = r13fqstat,
    Previous_Year_Status = r12status,
    Two_Years_Ago_Status = r11status
  )

# View renamed dataset
head(tracker_data_filtered)

```

```

## # A tibble: 6 x 10
##   participant_id Panel_ID Overall_Case_Status Case_Status_Month Case_Status_Year
##   <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl>
## 1 10000001 -1 -1 -1 -1
## 2 10000002 -1 -1 -1 -1
## 3 10000003 -1 -1 -1 -1
## 4 10000004 -1 -1 -1 -1
## 5 10000005 -1 -1 -1 -1
## 6 10000006 -1 -1 -1 -1
## # i 5 more variables: Participant_Interview_Status_1 <dbl>,
## #   Participant_Interview_Status_2 <dbl>, Facility_Questionnaire_Status <dbl>,
## #   Previous_Year_Status <dbl>, Two_Years_Ago_Status <dbl>

```

*# We are using tracker data because it helps remove ineligible cases (e.g., deceased participants or re.*

```

# Merge datasets using left joins on 'participant_id'
merged_digital_tools <- tab_act_filtered %>%
  left_join(tracker_data_filtered, by = "participant_id")

# View summary of merged dataset
glimpse(merged_digital_tools)

```

```

## Rows: 8,597
## Columns: 23
## $ participant_id <dbl> 10000008, 10000021, 10000022, 10000036,~
## $ Vision_Status <dbl> 1, 1, -1, 1, 1, 2, 2, 2, 1, 1, 1, -1, --
## $ Hearing_Status <dbl> 1, 1, -1, 1, 1, 2, 2, 2, 1, 1, 1, -1, --
## $ Uses_Glasses <dbl> 2, 1, -1, 2, 1, -1, -9, -1, 2, 2, 1, -1~
## $ Uses_Contacts <dbl> 2, 2, -1, 2, 2, -1, -9, -1, 2, 2, 2, -1~
## $ Uses_Other_Visual_Aid <dbl> 2, 2, -1, 2, 2, -1, -9, -1, 2, 2, 2, -1~
## $ Cognitive_Speed <dbl> 2.89484, 3.15880, -1.00000, 3.03725, 3.~
## $ Cognitive_Std_Dev <dbl> 0.14733, 0.14992, -1.00000, 0.15872, 0.~
## $ Cognitive_Accuracy <dbl> 0.76300, 1.05427, -1.00000, 1.32206, 0.~
## $ Cognitive_Correct_Responses <dbl> 32, 31, -1, 31, 31, -9, -9, -9, 31, 31,~

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```
## $ Cognitive_Errors      <dbl> 35, 10, -1, 2, 32, -9, -9, -9, 2, 1, 26~
## $ Cognitive_Completion  <dbl> 1, 1, -1, 1, 1, -9, -9, -9, 1, 1, 1, -1~
## $ Cognitive_Integration <dbl> 1, 1, -1, 1, 1, -9, -9, -9, 1, 1, 1, -1~
## $ Cognitive_Battery_Measure <dbl> 6, 6, 1, 6, 6, 4, 4, 4, 6, 6, 6, 1, 1, ~
## $ Panel_ID              <dbl> 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, ~
## $ Overall_Case_Status   <dbl> 60, 60, 62, 60, 60, 60, 60, 60, 60, 60, ~
## $ Case_Status_Month     <dbl> 8, 6, 6, 6, 7, 7, 9, 6, 8, 8, 7, 7, 8, ~
## $ Case_Status_Year      <dbl> 2023, 2023, 2023, 2023, 2023, 2023, 202~
## $ Participant_Interview_Status_1 <dbl> 20, 20, 20, 20, 20, 20, 20, 20, 20, 20, ~
## $ Participant_Interview_Status_2 <dbl> 20, 20, 24, 20, 20, 20, 20, 20, 20, 20, ~
## $ Facility_Questionnaire_Status <dbl> 24, 24, 24, 24, 24, 24, 24, 24, 24, 24, ~
## $ Previous_Year_Status   <dbl> 60, 60, 60, 60, 60, 60, 60, 60, 60, 60, ~
## $ Two_Years_Ago_Status   <dbl> 60, 60, 60, 60, 60, 60, 60, 60, 60, 60, ~
```

```
# Save the final merged dataset as a CSV file
write_csv(merged_digital_tools, "~/desktop/Digital-tools_caregivers/NHATS_Merged_Digital_Tools.csv")
```

Next, working on the remaining datasets that focus more on caregivers, patients, and merge them with the cleaned digital tools dataset:

```
# Load libraries
library(haven)      # To read .sas7bdat files
library(tidyverse)  # For data wrangling
library(janitor)     # For cleaning column names
```

```
##
## Attaching package: 'janitor'

## The following objects are masked from 'package:stats':
##
##   chisq.test, fisher.test
```

```
library(skimr)      # For summarizing datasets
```

```
# Load NHATS data files
nhats_sp <- read_sas("~/desktop/Digital-tools_caregivers/NHATS_R13_Final_Release_SAS/SP_files/NHATS_Rou~
nhats_op <- read_sas("~/desktop/Digital-tools_caregivers/NHATS_R13_Final_Release_SAS/OP_files/NHATS_Rou~
merged_digital_tools <- read_csv("~/desktop/Digital-tools_caregivers/NHATS_Merged_Digital_tools.csv") #
```

```
## Rows: 8597 Columns: 23
```

```
## -- Column specification -----
## Delimiter: ","
## dbl (23): participant_id, Vision_Status, Hearing_Status, Uses_Glasses, Uses...
##
## i Use 'spec()' to retrieve the full column specification for this data.
## i Specify the column types or set 'show_col_types = FALSE' to quiet this message.
```

```

inc_path <- read_sas("~/desktop/Digital-tools_caregivers/NHATS_R13_Final_Release_SAS/Inc_files/NHATS_R13_Fin

# Clean column names
nhats_sp <- nhats_sp %>% clean_names()
nhats_op <- nhats_op %>% clean_names()
merged_digital_tools <- merged_digital_tools %>% clean_names()
nhats_inc <- inc_path %>% clean_names() # Income & Socioeconomic Data

# Check variables
# colnames(nhats_sp)
# colnames(nhats_op)
# colnames(merged_digital_tools)
# colnames(nhats_inc)

# Save the final merged dataset as a CSV file
# write_csv(nhats_op, "nhats_op.csv")
# write_csv(nhats_sp, "nhats_sp.csv")
# write_csv(inc_path, "inc_path.csv")

```

## Income dataset

```

# Define the relevant columns
selected_columns_inc_path <- c("spid", "ia13toincimif", "ia13dtoincimi1",
                               "ia13dtoincimi2", "ia13dtoincimi3",
                               "ia13dtoincimi4", "ia13dtoincimi5", "ia13dtoincimreas")

# Filter the dataset to keep only relevant columns
inc_data_filtered <- nhats_inc %>% select(all_of(selected_columns_inc_path))

# View filtered dataset
head(inc_data_filtered)

```

```

## # A tibble: 6 x 8
##       spid ia13toincimif ia13dtoincimi1 ia13dtoincimi2 ia13dtoincimi3
##       <dbl>         <dbl>         <dbl>         <dbl>         <dbl>
## 1 10000008             -1          38000          38000          38000
## 2 10000021             -1          45000          45000          45000
## 3 10000022             -1             -1            -1            -1
## 4 10000036             -1          80000          80000          80000
## 5 10000041             -1           2000           2000           2000
## 6 10000043             -1          12000          12000          12000
## # i 3 more variables: ia13dtoincimi4 <dbl>, ia13dtoincimi5 <dbl>,
## #   ia13dtoincimreas <dbl>

```

```

# Rename the columns to meaningful names
inc_data_filtered <- inc_data_filtered %>%
  rename(
    participant_id = spid,
    Total_Imputed_Income = ia13toincimif,
    Income_Source_1 = ia13dtoincimi1,

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Income_Source_2 = ia13dtoincimi2,
Income_Source_3 = ia13dtoincimi3,
Income_Source_4 = ia13dtoincimi4,
Income_Source_5 = ia13dtoincimi5,
Missing_Income_Reason = ia13dtoincimreas
)

# View renamed dataset
head(inc_data_filtered)

```

```

## # A tibble: 6 x 8
##   participant_id Total_Imputed_Income Income_Source_1 Income_Source_2
##         <dbl>         <dbl>         <dbl>         <dbl>
## 1      10000008             -1          38000          38000
## 2      10000021             -1          45000          45000
## 3      10000022             -1             -1             -1
## 4      10000036             -1          80000          80000
## 5      10000041             -1           2000           2000
## 6      10000043             -1          12000          12000
## # i 4 more variables: Income_Source_3 <dbl>, Income_Source_4 <dbl>,
## #   Income_Source_5 <dbl>, Missing_Income_Reason <dbl>

```

#SP dataset

```

# Select and rename relevant variables from NHATS_SP (Older Adults Data)
nhats_sp_filtered <- nhats_sp %>%
  select(
    spid,                # Unique respondent ID
    r13dresid,           # Residential status (community, assisted living, nursing home)
    r13dgender,          # Gender of respondent
    r13d2intvrage,       # Age of respondent
    hc13disescn1, hc13disescn2, hc13disescn3, hc13disescn4, hc13disescn5,
    hc13disescn6, hc13disescn7, hc13disescn8, hc13disescn9, hc13disescn10, # Chronic diseases
    is13proxlivsp,       # Does caregiver live with respondent?
    is13prxyrelat,       # Relationship of the proxy caregiver
    is13prxygendr,       # Gender of the proxy caregiver
    em13paydevce1:em13paydevce6, # Assistive technology usage
    te13intrntmd2, te13intrntmd3, te13intrntmd4,
    te13computer, te13tablet, te13emailtext, te13online,
    te13shoponli1, te13shoponli2, te13shoponli3, te13socialnet,
    #Post acute care related
    hc13hosptstay, hc13hosovrnht,
    # NEW: cognitive and functional decline variables
    cp13chgthink1:cp13chgthink8, # Changes in thinking/memory
    mo13bedself, mo13bedwout,     # Bed mobility
    rh13impactiv, rh13impcomp, rh13impvh, # Limitations in daily life
    rh13funcback, rh13funccknees, rh13funcfeet, rh13funcwrist, # Body part limitations
    pc13walk6blks, pc13up10stair, pc13car20pnds # Mobility
  ) %>%

  rename(
    participant_id = spid,
    residence_type = r13dresid, # Residential status (community, assisted living, nursing home)

```

```

respondent_gender = r13dgender,      # Gender of respondent
respondent_age = r13d2intvrage,      # Age of respondent
has_heart_disease = hc13disescn1,
has_hypertension = hc13disescn2,
has_lung_disease = hc13disescn3,
has_diabetes = hc13disescn4,
has_cancer = hc13disescn5,
has_stroke = hc13disescn6,
has_arthritis = hc13disescn7,
has_dementia = hc13disescn8,
has_depression = hc13disescn9,
has_other_chronic = hc13disescn10,
caregiver_lives_with_respondent = is13proxlivsp, # Does the caregiver live with respondent?
caregiver_relationship = is13prxyrelat, # Relationship of the proxy caregiver
caregiver_gender = is13prxygendr, # Gender of the proxy caregiver
vision_aids = em13paydevce1, # Glasses, magnifiers
hearing_aids = em13paydevce2, # Hearing aids
cane = em13paydevce3, # Cane
walker = em13paydevce4, # Walker
wheelchair = em13paydevce5, # Wheelchair
other_mobility_aid = em13paydevce6, # Grab bars, raised toilet seats
telehealth_use = te13intrntmd2,      # Used internet for telehealth
insurance_info_online = te13intrntmd3, # Looked up insurance info online
health_info_online = te13intrntmd4,   # Searched for health information online
has_computer = te13computer,          # Owns and uses a computer
has_tablet = te13tablet,              # Owns and uses a tablet
uses_email_or_text = te13emailtext,   # Uses email or text messaging
uses_online_services = te13online,     # Uses a computer for online tasks
orders_groceries_online = te13shoponli1, # Orders groceries online
online_banking = te13shoponli2,       # Uses online banking
orders_prescriptions_online = te13shoponli3, # Orders prescription refills online
social_media_use = te13socialnet,     # Uses social networking sites
had_hosp_stay_12mo = hc13hosptstay,
num_hosp_stays = hc13hosovrnht,

# Cognitive change indicators
change_memory = cp13chgthink1,
change_decisionmaking = cp13chgthink2,
change_following_instructions = cp13chgthink3,
change_concentration = cp13chgthink4,
change_language = cp13chgthink5,
change_organization = cp13chgthink6,
change_multitasking = cp13chgthink7,
change_recognition = cp13chgthink8,

# Functional mobility
can_get_out_of_bed_alone = mo13bedslf,
can_get_out_of_bed_with_aid = mo13bedwout,

# Activity limitations
needs_help_activities = rh13impactiv,
needs_help_comprehension = rh13impcomp,
needs_help_household = rh13imphh,

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# Physical function impairments
back_limitation = rh13funcback,
knee_limitation = rh13func knees,
foot_limitation = rh13funcfeet,
wrist_limitation = rh13funcwrist,

# Strength/mobility tests
walk_six_blocks = pc13walk6blks,
climb_stairs = pc13up10stair,
lift_20_pounds = pc13car20pnds
) %>%
mutate(
  residence_type = case_when(
    residence_type == 1 ~ "Community",
    residence_type == 2 ~ "Residential Care",
    residence_type == 3 ~ "Nursing Home",
    residence_type == 4 ~ "Assisted Living",
    TRUE ~ NA_character_
  ),
  respondent_gender = case_when(
    respondent_gender == 1 ~ "Male",
    respondent_gender == 2 ~ "Female",
    TRUE ~ NA_character_
  ),
  respondent_age = case_when(
    respondent_age == 1 ~ "65-69",
    respondent_age == 2 ~ "70-74",
    respondent_age == 3 ~ "75-79",
    respondent_age == 4 ~ "80-84",
    respondent_age == 5 ~ "85-89",
    respondent_age == 6 ~ "90+",
    TRUE ~ NA_character_
  ),
  caregiver_lives_with_respondent = case_when(
    caregiver_lives_with_respondent == 1 ~ "Yes",
    caregiver_lives_with_respondent == 2 ~ "No",
    TRUE ~ NA_character_
  ),
  caregiver_relationship = case_when(
    caregiver_relationship == 1 ~ "Spouse/Partner",
    caregiver_relationship == 2 ~ "Child",
    caregiver_relationship == 3 ~ "Sibling",
    caregiver_relationship == 4 ~ "Other Relative",
    caregiver_relationship == 5 ~ "Friend/Neighbor",
    caregiver_relationship == 6 ~ "Paid Caregiver",
    caregiver_relationship == 7 ~ "Other Non-Relative",
    caregiver_relationship == 8 ~ "Unknown",
    TRUE ~ NA_character_
  ),
  caregiver_gender = case_when(
    caregiver_gender == 1 ~ "Male",
    caregiver_gender == 2 ~ "Female",
    TRUE ~ NA_character_
  )
)

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),
# Convert assistive technology usage (1=Yes, 2=No, -9=Missing)
across(starts_with("vision_aids"):starts_with("other_mobility_aid"), ~ case_when(
  . == 1 ~ "Yes",
  . == 2 ~ "No",
  TRUE ~ "Missing"
)),
# Convert digital tool usage (1=Yes, 2=No, -9=Missing)
across(starts_with("telehealth_use"):starts_with("social_media_use"), ~ case_when(
  . == 1 ~ "Yes",
  . == 2 ~ "No",
  TRUE ~ "Missing"
)),
# Existing binary conversions
had_hosp_stay_12mo_bin = case_when(
  had_hosp_stay_12mo == 1 ~ 1,
  had_hosp_stay_12mo == 2 ~ 0,
  TRUE ~ NA_real_
),
multiple_hosp_stays = case_when(
  num_hosp_stays >= 2 ~ 1,
  num_hosp_stays < 2 ~ 0,
  TRUE ~ NA_real_
),

# New: Categorized version of number of hospital stays
hosp_stay_category = case_when(
  num_hosp_stays == 0 ~ "None",
  num_hosp_stays == 1 ~ "One",
  num_hosp_stays >= 2 ~ "Multiple",
  TRUE ~ NA_character_
)
)
)

write_csv(nhats_sp_filtered, "~/desktop/Digital-tools_caregivers/nhats_sp_filtered.csv")

```

#OP dataset

```

# Select and rename relevant variables from NHATS_OP (Caregivers Data)
nhats_op_filtered <- nhats_op %>%
  select(
    spid, # Unique respondent ID (for merging)
    op13relatnshp, # Relationship of caregiver to respondent
    op13proxy, # Whether caregiver answered on behalf of respondent
    op13dage, # Age of the caregiver
    op13numhrsday, # Hours of caregiving per day
    op13numdayswk # Days of caregiving per week
  ) %>%
  rename(
    participant_id = spid,
    caregiver_relationship_to_respondent = op13relatnshp, # Relationship of caregiver to respondent
    caregiver_answered_for_respondent = op13proxy, # Whether caregiver answered on behalf of respondent
    caregiver_age = op13dage, # Age of the caregiver
  )

```

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  caregiver_hours_per_day = op13numhrsday, # Hours of caregiving per day
  caregiver_days_per_week = op13numdayswk # Days of caregiving per week
)%>%
mutate(
  caregiver_relationship_to_respondent = case_when(
    caregiver_relationship_to_respondent == 1 ~ "Spouse/Partner",
    caregiver_relationship_to_respondent == 2 ~ "Child",
    caregiver_relationship_to_respondent == 3 ~ "Sibling",
    caregiver_relationship_to_respondent == 4 ~ "Other Relative",
    caregiver_relationship_to_respondent == 5 ~ "Friend/Neighbor",
    caregiver_relationship_to_respondent == 6 ~ "Paid Caregiver",
    caregiver_relationship_to_respondent == 7 ~ "Other Non-Relative",
    caregiver_relationship_to_respondent == 8 ~ "Unknown",
    TRUE ~ NA_character_
  ),

  caregiver_answered_for_respondent = case_when(
    caregiver_answered_for_respondent == 1 ~ "Yes",
    caregiver_answered_for_respondent == 2 ~ "No",
    TRUE ~ NA_character_
  ),

  caregiver_age = case_when(
    caregiver_age == -9 ~ NA_real_, # Replace missing values
    TRUE ~ caregiver_age # Keep actual age values
  ),

  caregiver_hours_per_day = case_when(
    caregiver_hours_per_day == -9 ~ NA_real_,
    caregiver_hours_per_day == -1 ~ NA_real_,
    TRUE ~ caregiver_hours_per_day
  ),

  caregiver_days_per_week = case_when(
    caregiver_days_per_week == -9 ~ NA_real_,
    caregiver_days_per_week == -1 ~ NA_real_,
    TRUE ~ caregiver_days_per_week
  )
)

```

Merge Caregiver & Digital Tool Use Data

Merge NHATS caregiving data with digital tool usage

```

# Merge NHATS_SP with NHATS_OP (Caregiver + Care Recipient Data)
nhats_merged <- nhats_sp_filtered %>%
  left_join(nhats_op_filtered, by = "participant_id") %>%
  left_join(merged_digital_tools, by = "participant_id") %>%
  left_join(inc_data_filtered, by = "participant_id")

# Check merged dataset
glimpse(nhats_merged)

```

## Rows: 62,863

```

## Columns: 93
## $ participant_id      <dbl> 10000008, 10000008, 10000008, 100~
## $ residence_type      <chr> "Community", "Community", "Commun~
## $ respondent_gender   <chr> "Male", "Male", "Male", "Male", "~
## $ respondent_age      <chr> "85-89", "85-89", "85-89", "85-89~
## $ has_heart_disease   <dbl> 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, ~
## $ has_hypertension    <dbl> 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, ~
## $ has_lung_disease    <dbl> 7, 7, 7, 7, 7, 7, 7, 7, 7, 7, ~
## $ has_diabetes        <dbl> 7, 7, 7, 7, 7, 7, 7, 7, 7, 7, ~
## $ has_cancer          <dbl> 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, ~
## $ has_stroke          <dbl> 7, 7, 7, 7, 7, 7, 7, 7, 7, 2, ~
## $ has_arthritis       <dbl> 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, ~
## $ has_dementia        <dbl> 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, ~
## $ has_depression      <dbl> 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, ~
## $ has_other_chronic   <dbl> 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, ~
## $ caregiver_lives_with_respondent <chr> NA, NA, NA, NA, NA, NA, NA, NA, N~
## $ caregiver_relationship <chr> NA, NA, NA, NA, NA, NA, NA, NA, N~
## $ caregiver_gender     <chr> NA, NA, NA, NA, NA, NA, NA, NA, N~
## $ vision_aids          <chr> "No", "No", "No", "No", "No", "No~
## $ hearing_aids        <chr> "No", "No", "No", "No", "No", "No~
## $ cane                 <chr> "No", "No", "No", "No", "No", "No~
## $ walker               <chr> "No", "No", "No", "No", "No", "No~
## $ wheelchair           <chr> "No", "No", "No", "No", "No", "No~
## $ other_mobility_aid   <chr> "No", "No", "No", "No", "No", "No~
## $ telehealth_use       <chr> "Missing", "Missing", "Missing", ~
## $ insurance_info_online <chr> "Missing", "Missing", "Missing", ~
## $ health_info_online   <chr> "Missing", "Missing", "Missing", ~
## $ has_computer         <chr> "No", "No", "No", "No", "No", "No~
## $ has_tablet           <chr> "No", "No", "No", "No", "No", "No~
## $ uses_email_or_text   <chr> "No", "No", "No", "No", "No", "No~
## $ uses_online_services <chr> "No", "No", "No", "No", "No", "No~
## $ orders_groceries_online <chr> "Missing", "Missing", "Missing", ~
## $ online_banking       <chr> "Missing", "Missing", "Missing", ~
## $ orders_prescriptions_online <chr> "Missing", "Missing", "Missing", ~
## $ social_media_use     <chr> "Missing", "Missing", "Missing", ~
## $ had_hosp_stay_12mo   <dbl> 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, ~
## $ num_hosp_stays       <dbl> -1, -1, -1, -1, -1, -1, -1, -1, --
## $ change_memory        <dbl> -1, -1, -1, -1, -1, -1, -1, -1, --
## $ change_decisionmaking <dbl> -1, -1, -1, -1, -1, -1, -1, -1, --
## $ change_following_instructions <dbl> -1, -1, -1, -1, -1, -1, -1, -1, --
## $ change_concentration <dbl> -1, -1, -1, -1, -1, -1, -1, -1, --
## $ change_language      <dbl> -1, -1, -1, -1, -1, -1, -1, -1, --
## $ change_organization  <dbl> -1, -1, -1, -1, -1, -1, -1, -1, --
## $ change_multitasking  <dbl> -1, -1, -1, -1, -1, -1, -1, -1, --
## $ change_recognition    <dbl> -1, -1, -1, -1, -1, -1, -1, -1, --
## $ can_get_out_of_bed_alone <dbl> -1, -1, -1, -1, -1, -1, -1, -1, --
## $ can_get_out_of_bed_with_aid <dbl> -1, -1, -1, -1, -1, -1, -1, -1, --
## $ needs_help_activities <dbl> -1, -1, -1, -1, -1, -1, -1, -1, --
## $ needs_help_comprehension <dbl> -1, -1, -1, -1, -1, -1, -1, -1, --
## $ needs_help_household <dbl> -1, -1, -1, -1, -1, -1, -1, -1, --
## $ back_limitation      <dbl> -1, -1, -1, -1, -1, -1, -1, -1, --
## $ knee_limitation      <dbl> -1, -1, -1, -1, -1, -1, -1, -1, --
## $ foot_limitation      <dbl> -1, -1, -1, -1, -1, -1, -1, -1, --
## $ wrist_limitation     <dbl> -1, -1, -1, -1, -1, -1, -1, -1, --

```

```
## $ walk_six_blocks <dbl> 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, ~
## $ climb_stairs <dbl> -1, -1, -1, -1, -1, -1, -1, -1, -1, --
## $ lift_20_pounds <dbl> 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, ~
## $ had_hosp_stay_12mo_bin <dbl> 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, ~
## $ multiple_hosp_stays <dbl> 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, ~
## $ hosp_stay_category <chr> NA, NA, NA, NA, NA, NA, NA, NA, NA, N~
## $ caregiver_relationship_to_respondent <chr> NA, NA, "Other Relative", "Other ~
## $ caregiver_answered_for_respondent <chr> NA, NA, NA, NA, NA, NA, NA, NA, NA, N~
## $ caregiver_age <dbl> -1, -1, 10, 9, 9, 8, -1, 7, -8, --
## $ caregiver_hours_per_day <dbl> NA, NA, NA, NA, 2, 2, NA, NA, NA, ~
## $ caregiver_days_per_week <dbl> NA, NA, NA, NA, NA, NA, NA, NA, NA, N~
## $ vision_status <dbl> 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, ~
## $ hearing_status <dbl> 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, ~
## $ uses_glasses <dbl> 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 1, 1, ~
## $ uses_contacts <dbl> 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, ~
## $ uses_other_visual_aid <dbl> 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2, ~
## $ cognitive_speed <dbl> 2.89484, 2.89484, 2.89484, 2.8948~
## $ cognitive_std_dev <dbl> 0.14733, 0.14733, 0.14733, 0.1473~
## $ cognitive_accuracy <dbl> 0.76300, 0.76300, 0.76300, 0.7630~
## $ cognitive_correct_responses <dbl> 32, 32, 32, 32, 32, 32, 32, 32, 32, 3~
## $ cognitive_errors <dbl> 35, 35, 35, 35, 35, 35, 35, 35, 35, 3~
## $ cognitive_completion <dbl> 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, ~
## $ cognitive_integration <dbl> 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, ~
## $ cognitive_battery_measure <dbl> 6, 6, 6, 6, 6, 6, 6, 6, 6, 6, 6, ~
## $ panel_id <dbl> 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, ~
## $ overall_case_status <dbl> 60, 60, 60, 60, 60, 60, 60, 60, 60, 6~
## $ case_status_month <dbl> 8, 8, 8, 8, 8, 8, 8, 8, 8, 8, 6, 6, ~
## $ case_status_year <dbl> 2023, 2023, 2023, 2023, 2023, 2023, 202~
## $ participant_interview_status_1 <dbl> 20, 20, 20, 20, 20, 20, 20, 20, 20, 2~
## $ participant_interview_status_2 <dbl> 20, 20, 20, 20, 20, 20, 20, 20, 20, 2~
## $ facility_questionnaire_status <dbl> 24, 24, 24, 24, 24, 24, 24, 24, 24, 2~
## $ previous_year_status <dbl> 60, 60, 60, 60, 60, 60, 60, 60, 60, 6~
## $ two_years_ago_status <dbl> 60, 60, 60, 60, 60, 60, 60, 60, 60, 6~
## $ Total_Imputed_Income <dbl> -1, -1, -1, -1, -1, -1, -1, -1, -1, --
## $ Income_Source_1 <dbl> 38000, 38000, 38000, 38000, 38000~
## $ Income_Source_2 <dbl> 38000, 38000, 38000, 38000, 38000~
## $ Income_Source_3 <dbl> 38000, 38000, 38000, 38000, 38000~
## $ Income_Source_4 <dbl> 38000, 38000, 38000, 38000, 38000~
## $ Income_Source_5 <dbl> 38000, 38000, 38000, 38000, 38000~
## $ Missing_Income_Reason <dbl> 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, ~
```

```
write_csv(nhats_merged, "~/desktop/Digital-tools_caregivers/nhats_merged.csv")
```

Work on the NHATS merged dataset to deal with missingness and make it ready to merge with HRRP dataset:

## Handling Missing Values

```
# Check for missing values in each column
colSums(is.na(nhats_merged)) # Shows number of missing values per column
```

##	participant_id	residence_type
##	0	2966
##	respondent_gender	respondent_age
##	0	2659
##	has_heart_disease	has_hypertension
##	0	0
##	has_lung_disease	has_diabetes
##	0	0
##	has_cancer	has_stroke
##	0	0
##	has_arthritis	has_dementia
##	0	0
##	has_depression	has_other_chronic
##	0	0
##	caregiver_lives_with_respondent	caregiver_relationship
##	59619	58204
##	caregiver_gender	vision_aids
##	56915	0
##	hearing_aids	cane
##	0	0
##	walker	wheelchair
##	0	0
##	other_mobility_aid	telehealth_use
##	0	0
##	insurance_info_online	health_info_online
##	0	0
##	has_computer	has_tablet
##	0	0
##	uses_email_or_text	uses_online_services
##	0	0
##	orders_groceries_online	online_banking
##	0	0
##	orders_prescriptions_online	social_media_use
##	0	0
##	had_hosp_stay_12mo	num_hosp_stays
##	0	0
##	change_memory	change_decisionmaking
##	0	0
##	change_following_instructions	change_concentration
##	0	0
##	change_language	change_organization
##	0	0
##	change_multitasking	change_recognition
##	0	0
##	can_get_out_of_bed_alone	can_get_out_of_bed_with_aid
##	0	0
##	needs_help_activities	needs_help_comprehension
##	0	0
##	needs_help_household	back_limitation
##	0	0
##	knee_limitation	foot_limitation
##	0	0
##	wrist_limitation	walk_six_blocks
##	0	0

```
##          climb_stairs          lift_20_pounds
##          0          0
##      had_hosp_stay_12mo_bin      multiple_hosp_stays
##          3353          0
##      hosp_stay_category caregiver_relationship_to_respondent
##          50140          35182
##      caregiver_answered_for_respondent      caregiver_age
##          62136          258
##      caregiver_hours_per_day      caregiver_days_per_week
##          52393          59827
##      vision_status      hearing_status
##          0          0
##      uses_glasses      uses_contacts
##          0          0
##      uses_other_visual_aid      cognitive_speed
##          0          0
##      cognitive_std_dev      cognitive_accuracy
##          0          0
##      cognitive_correct_responses      cognitive_errors
##          0          0
##      cognitive_completion      cognitive_integration
##          0          0
##      cognitive_battery_measure      panel_id
##          0          0
##      overall_case_status      case_status_month
##          0          0
##      case_status_year      participant_interview_status_1
##          0          0
##      participant_interview_status_2      facility_questionnaire_status
##          0          0
##      previous_year_status      two_years_ago_status
##          0          0
##      Total_Imputed_Income      Income_Source_1
##          0          0
##      Income_Source_2      Income_Source_3
##          0          0
##      Income_Source_4      Income_Source_5
##          0          0
##      Missing_Income_Reason
##          0
```

#Handling Missing Categorical Variables #Categorical values -> “Unknown” for missing values

```
# List of categorical columns to replace NAs with "Unknown"
categorical_cols <- c("residence_type", "caregiver_lives_with_respondent",
                      "caregiver_relationship", "caregiver_gender",
                      "caregiver_relationship_to_respondent", "caregiver_answered_for_respondent")

# Replace missing values with "Unknown"
nhats_merged[categorical_cols] <- lapply(nhats_merged[categorical_cols], function(x) ifelse(is.na(x), "Unknown", x))
```

#Handling Missing Numeric Variables

```

# Handling Missing Values in Age Variables
# Keep respondent_age as a character (preserving the range)
nhats_merged$respondent_age <- as.character(nhats_merged$respondent_age)

# keep missing ages them as NA
nhats_merged$respondent_age[nhats_merged$respondent_age == ""] <- NA # Ensures empty strings are NA

# Handling Caregiver Age (Numeric)
# Convert caregiver_age to numeric and replace NA with the median age
nhats_merged$caregiver_age <- as.numeric(nhats_merged$caregiver_age)
nhats_merged$caregiver_age[is.na(nhats_merged$caregiver_age)] <- median(nhats_merged$caregiver_age, na.rm=T)

# Handling Missing Values for Care Hours and Days
nhats_merged$caregiver_hours_per_day[is.na(nhats_merged$caregiver_hours_per_day)] <- median(nhats_merged$caregiver_hours_per_day, na.rm=T)
nhats_merged$caregiver_days_per_week[is.na(nhats_merged$caregiver_days_per_week)] <- median(nhats_merged$caregiver_days_per_week, na.rm=T)

print(colSums(is.na(nhats_merged)))

```

```

##          participant_id          residence_type
##                0                0
##    respondent_gender    respondent_age
##                0                2659
##    has_heart_disease    has_hypertension
##                0                0
##    has_lung_disease    has_diabetes
##                0                0
##    has_cancer          has_stroke
##                0                0
##    has_arthritis       has_dementia
##                0                0
##    has_depression      has_other_chronic
##                0                0
##    caregiver_lives_with_respondent    caregiver_relationship
##                0                0
##    caregiver_gender          vision_aids
##                0                0
##    hearing_aids              cane
##                0                0
##    walker                    wheelchair
##                0                0
##    other_mobility_aid    telehealth_use
##                0                0
##    insurance_info_online    health_info_online
##                0                0
##    has_computer            has_tablet
##                0                0
##    uses_email_or_text      uses_online_services
##                0                0
##    orders_groceries_online    online_banking
##                0                0
##    orders_prescriptions_online    social_media_use
##                0                0
##    had_hosp_stay_12mo          num_hosp_stays

```



##	0	0
##	change_memory	change_decisionmaking
##	0	0
##	change_following_instructions	change_concentration
##	0	0
##	change_language	change_organization
##	0	0
##	change_multitasking	change_recognition
##	0	0
##	can_get_out_of_bed_alone	can_get_out_of_bed_with_aid
##	0	0
##	needs_help_activities	needs_help_comprehension
##	0	0
##	needs_help_household	back_limitation
##	0	0
##	knee_limitation	foot_limitation
##	0	0
##	wrist_limitation	walk_six_blocks
##	0	0
##	climb_stairs	lift_20_pounds
##	0	0
##	had_hosp_stay_12mo_bin	multiple_hosp_stays
##	3353	0
##	hosp_stay_category	caregiver_relationship_to_respondent
##	50140	0
##	caregiver_answered_for_respondent	caregiver_age
##	0	0
##	caregiver_hours_per_day	caregiver_days_per_week
##	0	0
##	vision_status	hearing_status
##	0	0
##	uses_glasses	uses_contacts
##	0	0
##	uses_other_visual_aid	cognitive_speed
##	0	0
##	cognitive_std_dev	cognitive_accuracy
##	0	0
##	cognitive_correct_responses	cognitive_errors
##	0	0
##	cognitive_completion	cognitive_integration
##	0	0
##	cognitive_battery_measure	panel_id
##	0	0
##	overall_case_status	case_status_month
##	0	0
##	case_status_year	participant_interview_status_1
##	0	0
##	participant_interview_status_2	facility_questionnaire_status
##	0	0
##	previous_year_status	two_years_ago_status
##	0	0
##	Total_Imputed_Income	Income_Source_1
##	0	0
##	Income_Source_2	Income_Source_3

```
##                                0                                0
##                                Income_Source_4                    Income_Source_5
##                                0                                0
##                                Missing_Income_Reason
##                                0
```

## Handling Special Cases (Total\_Imputed\_Income has -1)

### Replacing -1 with NA (Your code)

```
# Replace -1 with NA in Total_Imputed_Income
nhats_merged$Total_Imputed_Income[nhats_merged$Total_Imputed_Income == -1] <- NA

head(nhats_merged)
```

```
## # A tibble: 6 x 93
##   participant_id residence_type respondent_gender respondent_age
##   <dbl> <chr>           <chr>           <chr>
## 1 10000008 Community      Male            85-89
## 2 10000008 Community      Male            85-89
## 3 10000008 Community      Male            85-89
## 4 10000008 Community      Male            85-89
## 5 10000008 Community      Male            85-89
## 6 10000008 Community      Male            85-89
## # i 89 more variables: has_heart_disease <dbl>, has_hypertension <dbl>,
## #   has_lung_disease <dbl>, has_diabetes <dbl>, has_cancer <dbl>,
## #   has_stroke <dbl>, has_arthritis <dbl>, has_dementia <dbl>,
## #   has_depression <dbl>, has_other_chronic <dbl>,
## #   caregiver_lives_with_respondent <chr>, caregiver_relationship <chr>,
## #   caregiver_gender <chr>, vision_aids <chr>, hearing_aids <chr>, cane <chr>,
## #   walker <chr>, wheelchair <chr>, other_mobility_aid <chr>, ...
```

```
#Standardizing Binary Variables
binary_cols <- c("has_heart_disease", "has_hypertension", "has_lung_disease", "has_diabetes",
                 "has_cancer", "has_stroke", "has_arthritis", "has_dementia", "has_depression", "has_otl")

nhats_merged[binary_cols] <- lapply(nhats_merged[binary_cols], function(x) {
  x <- as.numeric(x) # Ensure numeric
  ifelse(x == 1, 1, ifelse(x == 2, 0, NA)) # 1 = Yes, 0 = No, NA for other values
})
```

```
# Convert income source columns to numeric
income_cols <- c("Income_Source_1", "Income_Source_2", "Income_Source_3", "Income_Source_4", "Income_So")
nhats_merged[income_cols] <- lapply(nhats_merged[income_cols], as.numeric)
```

```
# Handling Duplicates ----
# Check for duplicate participant IDs
duplicate_count <- sum(duplicated(nhats_merged$participant_id))
print(paste("Number of duplicate participant IDs:", duplicate_count))
```

```
## [1] "Number of duplicate participant IDs: 54266"
```

```
# If duplicates exist, remove all but the first occurrence
nhats_merged <- nhats_merged[!duplicated(nhats_merged$participant_id), ]
```

```
# Encoding Categorical Variables
# Convert categorical variables to factors
categorical_cols <- c("residence_type", "caregiver_relationship", "caregiver_gender")
nhats_merged[categorical_cols] <- lapply(nhats_merged[categorical_cols], as.factor)
```

```
#Removing or Transforming Outliers
# Identify outliers in caregiver_hours_per_day using IQR
Q1 <- quantile(nhats_merged$caregiver_hours_per_day, 0.25, na.rm = TRUE)
Q3 <- quantile(nhats_merged$caregiver_hours_per_day, 0.75, na.rm = TRUE)
IQR_value <- Q3 - Q1
upper_bound <- Q3 + 1.5 * IQR_value
lower_bound <- Q1 - 1.5 * IQR_value
```

```
# Replace outliers with the median
median_caregiver_hours <- median(nhats_merged$caregiver_hours_per_day, na.rm = TRUE)
nhats_merged$caregiver_hours_per_day[nhats_merged$caregiver_hours_per_day > upper_bound | nhats_merged$
```

```
# Verifying Logical Consistency
# If a participant has no caregiver, ensure caregiver_hours_per_day is 0 or NA
nhats_merged$caregiver_hours_per_day[nhats_merged$caregiver_relationship == "No caregiver"] <- 0
```

```
# Final check for missing values
colSums(is.na(nhats_merged))
```

```
##           participant_id           residence_type
##                0                0
## respondent_gender      respondent_age
##                0                305
## has_heart_disease      has_hypertension
##               608               1719
## has_lung_disease      has_diabetes
##               4327              4016
## has_cancer            has_stroke
##               2175              2103
## has_arthritis         has_dementia
##               1690               601
## has_depression       has_other_chronic
##               900               596
## caregiver_lives_with_respondent      caregiver_relationship
##                0                0
## caregiver_gender            vision_aids
##                0                0
## hearing_aids              cane
##                0                0
## walker                    wheelchair
##                0                0
## other_mobility_aid      telehealth_use
##                0                0
```

##	insurance_info_online	health_info_online
##	0	0
##	has_computer	has_tablet
##	0	0
##	uses_email_or_text	uses_online_services
##	0	0
##	orders_groceries_online	online_banking
##	0	0
##	orders_prescriptions_online	social_media_use
##	0	0
##	had_hosp_stay_12mo	num_hosp_stays
##	0	0
##	change_memory	change_decisionmaking
##	0	0
##	change_following_instructions	change_concentration
##	0	0
##	change_language	change_organization
##	0	0
##	change_multitasking	change_recognition
##	0	0
##	can_get_out_of_bed_alone	can_get_out_of_bed_with_aid
##	0	0
##	needs_help_activities	needs_help_comprehension
##	0	0
##	needs_help_household	back_limitation
##	0	0
##	knee_limitation	foot_limitation
##	0	0
##	wrist_limitation	walk_six_blocks
##	0	0
##	climb_stairs	lift_20_pounds
##	0	0
##	had_hosp_stay_12mo_bin	multiple_hosp_stays
##	613	0
##	hosp_stay_category	caregiver_relationship_to_respondent
##	6976	0
##	caregiver_answered_for_respondent	caregiver_age
##	0	0
##	caregiver_hours_per_day	caregiver_days_per_week
##	0	0
##	vision_status	hearing_status
##	0	0
##	uses_glasses	uses_contacts
##	0	0
##	uses_other_visual_aid	cognitive_speed
##	0	0
##	cognitive_std_dev	cognitive_accuracy
##	0	0
##	cognitive_correct_responses	cognitive_errors
##	0	0
##	cognitive_completion	cognitive_integration
##	0	0
##	cognitive_battery_measure	panel_id
##	0	0

```
##          overall_case_status          case_status_month
##                0                0
##          case_status_year    participant_interview_status_1
##                0                0
##    participant_interview_status_2    facility_questionnaire_status
##                0                0
##          previous_year_status    two_years_ago_status
##                0                0
##          Total_Imputed_Income    Income_Source_1
##                6146                0
##          Income_Source_2    Income_Source_3
##                0                0
##          Income_Source_4    Income_Source_5
##                0                0
##          Missing_Income_Reason
##                0
```

```
write_csv(nhats_merged, "~/desktop/Digital-tools_caregivers/Updated_nhats_merged.csv")
```

## Create Multimorbidity Score

=> Counts how many chronic conditions a participant has

```
nhats_merged_cleaned <- nhats_merged %>%
  mutate(
    num_chronic_conditions = rowSums(across(
      starts_with("has_"), ~ . == 1), na.rm = TRUE),
    multimorbidity_flag = ifelse(num_chronic_conditions >= 2, 1, 0)
  )
```

## Create Caregiver Burden Score

=> Total hours per week the caregiver provides care

```
nhats_merged_cleaned <- nhats_merged %>%
  mutate(
    caregiver_total_hours = caregiver_hours_per_day * caregiver_days_per_week,
    caregiver_burden_category = case_when(
      caregiver_total_hours < 10 ~ "Low",
      caregiver_total_hours < 30 ~ "Moderate",
      caregiver_total_hours >= 30 ~ "High",
      TRUE ~ NA_character_
    )
  )
```

## Create Functional Impairment Index

Counts how many mobility/functional limitations a person reports

```
nhats_merged_cleaned <- nhats_merged %>%
  mutate(
    num_functional_impairments = rowSums(across(
      c(back_limitation, knee_limitation, foot_limitation, wrist_limitation), ~ . == 1), na.rm = TRUE),

    mobility_limitations = rowSums(across(
      c(walk_six_blocks, climb_stairs, lift_20_pounds), ~ . == 2), na.rm = TRUE), # Assuming 1 = can d

    high_functional_limitation = ifelse(num_functional_impairments >= 2 | mobility_limitations >= 2, 1,
  )
```

## Cognitive Change Index

=> Sums self-reported changes in cognition

```
nhats_merged_cleaned <- nhats_merged %>%
  mutate(
    cognitive_change_score = rowSums(across(
      starts_with("change_"), ~ . == 1), na.rm = TRUE),
    cognitive_change_flag = ifelse(cognitive_change_score >= 2, 1, 0)
  )

#write_csv(nhats_merged_cleaned, "~/desktop/Digital-tools_caregivers/nhats_merged_cleaned.csv")
```

```
nhats_merged_cleaned <- nhats_merged_cleaned %>%
  mutate(
    # Cleaned categorical label
    had_hosp_stay_12mo_clean = case_when(
      had_hosp_stay_12mo == 1 ~ "Yes",
      had_hosp_stay_12mo == 2 ~ "No",
      had_hosp_stay_12mo %in% c(-1, -7, -8, -9) ~ NA_character_
    ),

    # Binary version
    had_hosp_stay_12mo_bin = case_when(
      had_hosp_stay_12mo == 1 ~ 1,
      had_hosp_stay_12mo == 2 ~ 0,
      had_hosp_stay_12mo %in% c(-1, -7, -8, -9) ~ NA_real_
    ),

    # Cleaned numeric hospital count
    num_hosp_stays_clean = ifelse(num_hosp_stays < 0, NA, num_hosp_stays),

    # Create hospitalization category
    hosp_stay_category = case_when(
      is.na(num_hosp_stays_clean) ~ NA_character_,
      num_hosp_stays_clean == 0 ~ "None",
      num_hosp_stays_clean == 1 ~ "One",
      num_hosp_stays_clean >= 2 ~ "Multiple"
    )
  )
```

```
write_csv(nhats_merged_cleaned, "~/desktop/Digital-tools_caregivers/nhats_merged_cleaned.csv")
```