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PART I

INTRODUCTION

SECTION I

INTRODUCTION TO THE GARYFILE

This document provides a detailed description of the Public Use File from the Gary Income Maintenance Experiment (GARYFILE) which was developed by staff of Mathematica Policy Research (MPR) and Social and Scientific Systems (SSS). Background information on the experiment's history and administration is given, along with an overview of the public use file, in the User's Guide[1] while this glossary concentrates on specifics of the file content. Data on the file cover the basic interview period of January 1, 1971, through December 31, 1974; there are, in addition, some preexperiment variables for time periods in 1970 and, in some cases 1969. Three sources of information were input to the file: (1) interviews given every few months to participants provided the bulk of the data--up to four years of monthly demographic employment, and income information; (2) Income Report Forms, filed monthly by each participant family, provided up to three years of employment and income information during experiment operation; and (3) administrative records from various programs and agencies provided an external source of income information for various time spans (the amount of time covered varied from source to source).

The hierarchical file structure contains two record types, as illustrated in figure 1. The first type, the family record, includes: demographic characteristics of the family; the family's treatment status in the experiment; demographic characteristics of children; interview income data; Income Report Form data; and administrative income data.

Following each family record is one record of the second type, the person record, for each adult or "core" person in the family. A core person is someone 16 years old or over who received the labor supply portion of the experiment's periodic interviews (which was supposed to be given to each person 16 or over). Each person record includes: demographic characteristics for the person; employment and income data from interviews; employment and wages data from Income Report Forms; and income data from administrative sources.

Because there are several sources of data, the file may seem complex and unwieldy. The user should realize that the data from interviews are the backbone of the file. They cover the longest period of time, and contain the most complete information for both persons and families, most of which is in monthly form. Data from Income Report Forms and administrative records are meant to be supplementary and, for the most part, to be used in comparison or in conjunction with interview data.

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[1] Mathematica Policy Research, User's Guide to the Public Use File from the Gary Income Maintenance Experiment, Washington, D.C., June 1979.

FIGURE 1

ILLUSTRATION OF HIERARCHICAL RECORD TYPES
ON GARY FILE

FAMILY RECORD Family #1	Demographic data, including noncore (non-adult) person data; interview income data; report form income data; administrative income and tax data.

PERSON RECORD Female head	Demographic data; interview income data; interview employment data; report form employment data; administrative income data.

PERSON RECORD Son (age 16)	Demographic data; interview income data; interview employment data; report form employment data; administrative income data

FAMILY RECORD Family #2	Demographic data, including noncore person data; interview income data; report form income data; administrative income and tax data.

PERSON RECORD Male head	Demographic data; interview income data; interview employment data; report form employment data; administrative income data.

PERSON RECORD Female head	Demographic data; interview income data; interview employment data; report form employment data; administrative income data

No other adults in family #2.

ACCOMPANYING MPR PUBLICATIONS

The file itself is accompanied by several supporting pieces of documentation. Aside from the glossary, the three main items are:

Record Format Description for the Gary Experiment Public Use File, Washington, D.C., June 1979.

This record format description indicates the physical location and length of each variable on the file, along with an assigned variable name, variable number, and a brief variable description.

STATS Printout for the Gary Experiment Public Use File. Washington, D.C., June 1979.

The STATS printout shows the distribution of responses for each variable in the file, including minimum and maximum values, means and standard deviations, and frequency of zeros and missing data codes.

Mathematica Policy Research Inc., User's Guide to the Public Use File from the the Gary Experiment, Washington, D.C., June 1979.

This paper provides a detailed description of the Gary Income Maintenance Experiment, including experiment and questionnaire design and administration; a description of general aspects of the final Gary Public Use File and accompanying documentation; and shows selected samples of both file output and file documentation.

CREATION OF THE GARY FILE IN BRIEF

The Gary Public Use File

As noted, the data on the GARYFILE were obtained from three main sources--interview responses, Income Report Forms, and administrative records. The actual variables on the file were derived from a large number of smaller files which had been created in the initial data processing and early research analyses of the Gary Income Maintenance Experiment. In creating GARYFILE several new demographic variables were derived from existing data, (birthdates for instance, were created from monthly age information); most of the other variables on income and employment were sorted out and arranged in a consistent order by source and subject. Duplicative items were dropped, a few explanatory flags were added, and missing data codes were made as consistent and informative as possible.

The Three Data Sources Introduced

Interviews. Thirteen interviews were given in the course of the Gary Income Maintenance Experiment. A census survey was taken first, between February and June of 1970. Three baseline interviews followed; the Economic Baseline Interview (July through November, 1970), the Sociological Baseline Interview (December 1970 through April 1971) and the Social Services/Day Care Baseline Interview (July through October, 1971). Nine periodic interviews followed. The earliest periodic interview was early in 1972 and the last was in early 1975. The general pattern was to administer periodics at three- to four-month intervals. The time period covered by periodics was January 1971 through December 1974.

The GARYFILE used data from the Economic Baseline and periodic interviews--the former providing point-in-time preexperiment data and the latter giving up to 48 months of continuous monthly data. It should be emphasized that the interview span of 48 months is longer than the actual experiment, which covered up to three years, or a maximum of 36 months. Thus, of the 48 months of periodic data, some are always post-experiment and others may be preexperiment, depending on the family's enrollment date.

Income Report Forms. Each family involved in the experiment was expected to file an Income Report Form each month, from the time of enrollment until either the three years on the experiment were over (giving a maximum of 36 report forms filed), or until the cut-off month of June 1974 (mainly applicable to high-income families which enrolled late in the experiment), or until the family dropped out of the experiment. Selected data from these forms are contained on GARYFILE.

Administrative data. Supplemental financial information was collected in the experiment by extensive checking of several administrative files. Payments data from the income maintenance experiment were maintained on detailed payments files. Records for the AFDC, Food Stamps, and Supplemental Security Income transfer programs were checked for the preexperiment year (1970) and for monthly information during the experiment itself. Federal and state tax records provided annual tax and income data for 1969 through 1973, while the State Division of Employment Security's records provided 1970 wage information, quarterly wage figures for the experiment period, and monthly unemployment amounts for the experiment period.

Data Files Used in GARYFILE

A large number of small data files were created from the three data sources. Raw data from the interviews were compiled in the Gary Master File; Income Report Form data were compiled into an unedited Income Report Form File; several detailed demographic files were created from a combination of interview and IRF responses; and data from each administrative source were recorded separately on several files.

A great deal of further checking and editing was done on these files, new variables were created, and most of the periodic data were put into monthly format. Some of this extensive work was done by going back to the instruments themselves, and looking for marginal notes or any other clues that might resolve problems in the data. The result of this painstaking effort was a set of several intermediate files; a reedited Income Report Form File; and a Basic Labor Supply file.

Intermediate File. The Intermediate File consisted of many subfiles, organized by topic.[1] There were several demographic subfiles on household composition and experiment treatment components, an income file, a labor force status file, a job file, and so on. Each of these subfiles was created by MPR staff members working fairly independently. The fact that several persons worked separately on sections of the Intermediate file led to some inconsistencies, particularly in the use of missing data codes and zeros. The user should be aware of this in using the data, and should make use of the overviews and variable descriptions found in this glossary for an understanding of the nature of particular variables.

Reedited IRF File. The original IRF file contained errors on the part of both filers and payments clerks. The reediting process attempted to correct such errors and create an internally consistent file for each family and family member.

Basic Labor Supply Tape (BALAST). The Basic Labor Supply Tape, Long Tape version, is a file for which a tremendous amount of work was done to further check and edit responses from the Econ Baseline, periodic interviews, Income Report Forms, and administrative records. BALAST contains information on each family, and on the principal male and principal female in each family, all on a quarterly basis. Because the data were quarterly, BALAST was not used as a source for data during the experiment on GARYFILE. It was, however, the main source of preexperiment data from the Econ Baseline.

MONSTA. A large file dubbed MONSTA--indicating it contained both monthly and static (point-in-time) data--was created by combining variables from the Intermediate File, the reedited IRF file, and administrative files. MONSTA was the immediate source for most of the GARYFILE. Non-MONSTA variables are some demographic items, which came from demographic subfiles in the Intermediate File, and Econ Baseline variables which came from BALAST.

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[1] A list of these subfiles, with brief explanation of each is given in appendix A, along with other files used in creating the GARYFILE.

USES OF THE DATA

The data collection effort of the Gary Income Maintenance Experiment was designed to obtain information useful for public policy formulation and for research in many policy-relevant areas. As soon as data collection was completed, the information began to be used for a variety of HEW-sponsored research analyses. These covered many aspects of labor supply as well as such diverse tasks as school performance, housing, child care, fertility, and consumption patterns. Appendix A lists the papers which have so far resulted from studies using the Gary data, and tells the interested reader how to obtain these publications.

Since HEW wishes to make data from the Gary experiment widely available, MPR has constructed a general-purpose, longitudinal file containing basic demographic, employment, and income variables for participating families and persons over a 48-month time span--GARY-FILE. This public use file is particularly suitable for analyses of the effect of an NIT program on many aspects of family composition, work habits, and economic well-being. Because the GARYFILE includes income data from external sources as well as from experiment interviews--for example, the Food Stamp Program and the Internal Revenue Service--it also lends itself to comparison of self-reported and "objective" data.

Additional data collected in the course of the experiment, but not included on the GARYFILE are available on an individually-negotiated basis. These items, principally from the socioeconomic and psychological modules administered on an occasional basis, cover a great many subjects. The subject areas are listed in appendix B, with instructions on obtaining further information, if desired.

SECTION II

ORGANIZATION OF THE GLOSSARY

The Gary Public Use File contains several types of variables on two kinds of records--family and person. This glossary provides a generalized overview for each variable type, describing specific subsets of variables found under each type; a description of each record; and, finally, a detailed description of each variable found on the file.

OVERVIEWS

An overview is given for each of four variable types--demographic data, data from interviews, data from income report forms, and data gleaned from administrative records. The overview for demographic data indicates the source of the data, describes the general derivation of family and person demographic variables from these sources, and warns of specific problems the user may encounter in working with these data.

The overview for interview data discusses separately three subsets of interview variables: (1) Econ Baseline variables; (2) periodic interview variables; and (3) current period, or point-in-time variables. Following a brief look at the interviews themselves,[1] including types of questions asked, respondent, and the time period covered by each interview, is a discussion of consistencies and discrepancies in variable derivation across time, a list of missing data codes with their explanations, and note of possible problems or special cases.

The overview for income report form data briefly describes the use of income report forms as part of the experiment, and goes on to discuss the nature of the income report form variables found on the public use file. The overview for administrative data summarizes the general method of obtaining these data and briefly describes each of the seven categories of administrative records addressed.

RECORD AND VARIABLE DESCRIPTIONS

Each of the two record types on the Gary public use file has been accorded a glossary section consisting of an introductory record description followed by a detailed variable description of each variable on that record.

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[1] For a history of the experiment and details of interview administration, see User's Guide to the Public Use File from the Gary Income Maintenance Experiment.

Record Descriptions

The record descriptions focus on the structure of the particular record, and include a summary of sections of variables found on the record, a listing of variables found in each section, and brief comment on use of the variables.

Variable Descriptions

The bulk of this glossary is taken up by an exhaustive variable-by-variable description. Repetitions of the same information for each of several months or periodics (for example, Food Stamp costs for each of 48 months, or work status at each of nine periodics) are treated as one variable for purposes of description.

One basic format is used throughout. Interview and Income Report Form variables (see figure 2), because of their complicated history of derivation from field work to the final file, often have lengthy individual descriptions; administrative variables, being more straightforward, are handled more briefly within the same format.

A note on variable derivation. The record and variable descriptions tend to make no more than general or passing reference to the source data bases, but rather concentrate on the original questions and broad aspects of derivation. As the Gary data user will not normally be working with the separate data bases, it seemed unnecessary to include such information in this documentation. Available documentation on the different data bases is kept on file at MPR; interested users may also consult appendix A of this glossary for further information.

ABBREVIATIONS AND MISSING DATA CODES

Abbreviations

Several abbreviations are used throughout in both text and variable descriptions. A short list follows, indicating the most common abbreviations with their explanations:

Abbreviations	Meaning
Admin Record	Administrative Record (AFDC, Food Stamps, Internal Revenue Service, etc.)
DES	Department of Employment Security (State)
Econ Base	Economic Baseline Interview
IDR	Indiana Department of Revenue
IRF	Income Report Form

FIGURE 2

ANNOTATED VARIABLE DESCRIPTION

F1936-[a]
F1983

ERNCAS1-[b]
ERNCAS48

VARIABLE TITLE[c]	ODD JOB INCOME, ALL ADULT FAMILY MEMBERS, DOLLARS, MONTHS 1-48, FROM PERIODICS
ALLOWABLE CODES[d]	0000 = No dollars reported 0002-0979 = Dollar amount reported 9993 = Family has no periodic income data 9994 = Missing data 9999 = Family attrited, or month after P9 interview
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION[e]	This variable shows, for each of the 48 months covered by periodic interviews, the dollar amount of family earnings from odd jobs as reported in the periodic interviews.
TEXT DESCRIPTION[f]	Respondent/Universe. Each person 16 or older responded for him/herself. Wording. Each person was asked whether, in the time period covered by that interview, they had received any income from "jobs like babysitting, doing chores for someone, fixing or repairing something, or any other job you may have done from time to time." If the person indicated they had, he/she was asked for "about how much you made from this type of income" for each month covered. The question was the same from P1 through P9.
VARIABLE DERIVATION[g]	The amounts reported were summed across recipients in each month. This sum was then assigned to the appropriate month on the family record.
COMMENTS[h]	Responses to this item are few--never more than 23 in any month. Odd job earnings are not specifically identified elsewhere on the family record. They appear on the person record in OJINC1-48, P0624-P0671.

[a]Variable number. This is a unique number assigned to each variable on the GARYFILE. Numbers on the family record are prefaced with the letter F, while those on the person record begin with a P. The numbers shown on the glossary descriptions correspond to those found on the GARYFILE record format description (RFD), and facilitate cross reference between the glossary and the RFD.

(Figure 2 continued)

[b]Variable name. This is a unique mnemonic of eight or fewer characters assigned to each variable. This mnemonic is also found in the record format description and the STATS printout.

[c]Variable title. The variable title, also found on the record format description, is a brief one- or two-line description of the variable for easy reference.

[d]Allowable codes. Listed for each variable, the allowable codes show the response values that may be found for that item, including missing data codes.

[e]Variable description. This description is generally more extensive than the variable title.

[f]Text description. This description paraphrases the wording appearing in the interview books and, where helpful, gives the respondent and universe for the question. Interviewer probes or other instructions are noted as well as screening questions. Changes in wording across periodics are detailed where appropriate.

[g]Variable derivation. This section describes in some detail the process of deriving the variable from the responses to the question(s) shown above.

[h]Finally, in many cases, is a comments section which provides additional information which may help the user in properly interpreting and applying the responses, including warnings about items of small response and reference to related variables on the GARYFILE.

NIT	Negative Income Tax
NLF	Not in the labor force (not employed and not looking for a job)
P1	1st Periodic Interview
.	.
.	.
P9	9th Periodic Interview
Soc Base	Sociological Baseline Interview
SSI	Supplemental Security Income (a combination of Blind, Disabled, and Old Age Assistance)

Missing Data: 9s...n Codes and Zeros

Missing data codes are used to indicate, where possible, specific reasons the data are missing or not applicable. Because the various source files and subfiles were created by several persons, and missing data were handled differently in different cases, it was not possible to make the missing data codes perfectly consistent. In general on the source files, all forms of missing data were assigned a 9s...9 code; however, zeros were sometimes used interchangeably with 9s...9s. Income Report Form data suffer from a particular form of this problem: zeros were used to indicate both missing data and true zeros because, at some point, filed Income Report Forms with no positive data were discarded, making the lack of positive data for that family for that month indistinguishable from the lack of data for families which simply had not filed a form.

In creating the public use file, a set of missing data codes was devised to cover specific definable situations. For instance, persons for whom no income data are available have been assigned a string of 9s...3 NA codes for the entire section of income variables--thus warning the user to expect no information in those fields. Each overview lists the relevant missing data codes for the variables found in that section, with specialized meanings where applicable. Following is a list of missing data codes for general reference:

Code	Meaning
9s...9	Family and person have attrited or have previously completed the P9 interview
9s...8	Family is present, but the person is not present (person records only)[1]

[1] The 9s...8 code should not be used as a definite screening code; it is intended to be a general indicator.

9s...7	Question not asked or data not collected for this month
9s...6	Family or person is present, but question is not applicable
9s...5	Family or person should have responded but data are not available (e.g., when an IRF should have been filed, but wasn't)
9s...4	Missing data (this is the generalized missing data code)
9s...3	Family/person has no data in this segment of variables

The most frequently appearing missing data codes are 9s...9, 9s...4, and 9s...3.

Julian Dates

All dates given on the Gary public use file appear in a Julian date format consisting of the last two digits of the date's year, and three digits indicating the day of the year (YYDDD). For example, the third of January 1972 would read 72003. To simplify working with Julian dates across years, the Gary file treats every year as a leap year. The following ranges for days of the year apply throughout:

Month	First Day	Last Day
January	001	031
February	032	060
March	061	091
April	092	122
May	123	152
June	153	182
July	183	213
August	214	244
September	245	274
October	275	305
November	306	335
December	336	366

Gary Experiment and File Terminology

In the course of designing and administering the experiment, then creating several bodies of data from responses, a number of terms specific to the Gary Income Maintenance Experiment and files evolved. These used most often are listed below with definitions.

Administrative (admin) data. Data on the public use file which were taken from external sources. These sources were records from: the Gary experiment payments files; AFDC; Supplemental Security Income; Food Stamps; the Internal Revenue Service (IRS); the Indiana Department of Revenue (IDR); and the Indiana Department of Employment Security (DES).

Attrition. The act of formally dropping a family from the experiment rolls. A family was attrited only after repeated attempts to get them back on the experiment. Attrition is distinct from disenrollment, and is generally preceded by several months with no data.

Core person. Any family member 16 or older for whom there is a person record. The term "core" refers to the fact that everyone over 16 was supposed to receive the core labor supply portion of the periodic interviews. This core interview should have been given to a younger person with the first interview after the person turned 16.

Disenrollment. The action of taking a family off the experiment rolls upon completion of the experiment--that is, after 36 months of active participation, or at the time of the cut-off date for participation in the summer of 1974.

Econ Base. The Economic Baseline Interview. This interview was given before enrollment, from July through November 1970. Data from the Econ Base were vital in determining a family's "normal" income and were necessary to the process of assigning treatment levels within the experiment. The public use file has a number of variables taken from the Econ Base; several administrative (non-interview) variables also refer to the person/family's status as of the date of the Econ Base.

Filer. The family member responsible for filling out and submitting monthly Income Report Forms. The filer was generally the family head.

Income Report Forms (IRFs). A form filled out and submitted monthly by every participant family. The form asked about hours and wages for each working family member and about nonwage income for the family as a whole. Any changes in family composition were also included.

Intermediate File. A set of subfiles containing experiment data which were cleaned and made as consistent as possible. The subfiles were arranged by topics such as household composition, income, employment status, the longest job in each month, and so on.

MONSTA. A large data file of monthly and static variables from the Gary experiment. MONSTA was the immediate source for most variables on the public use file.

Multiple family. Households containing two or more family units sharing the same dwelling, for example, a daughter with her child living with her parents.

Noncore person. A household member who was not given the labor supply core interview, and does not have a person record. On GARYFILE, noncores are children under 16. Demographic data on noncore persons are found on the family record.

Periodic interviews. Interviews given to participant families and their members at regular intervals during the experiment. Nine interviews were given between February 1972 and June 1975; they covered a 48-month span of time, from January 1971 (month 1) through December 1974 (month 48).

Record format description. A document accompanying the Gary public use file which lists the variable name and number of each variable on the file, shows its field position, and gives a brief description of the variable (the variable title).

Soc Base. The Sociological Baseline Interview. Given soon after the battery of Econ Base interviews was completed. The interview asked about various sociological items which were not, however, used on GARYFILE.

STATS. Documentation accompanying the Gary public use file. The STATS runs consist of a computer printout showing the distribution of responses to each variable in the file. Included are minimum and maximum responses, means and standard derivations, the number of zeros and missing data codes and tabulations of coded variables.

PART II: OVERVIEWS

SECTION I

OVERVIEW TO DEMOGRAPHIC VARIABLES

Demographic data were obtained from a variety of sources including flysheets of periodics, interviewer call sheets, Income Report Forms and administrative records. Some variables included in the demographic section were taken directly from the source, such as interview completion date from the interviewer call sheet. Other demographic variables were derived or constructed into monthly variables indicating, for example, family size, composition, or structure.

As these data were collected, the files containing demographic information were corrected, updated, and expanded to cover the 48 month period. Specific variables from these smaller demographic files were extracted for inclusion in the GARYFILE.

SOURCES OF DEMOGRAPHIC DATA

Flysheets accompanying each periodic interview contained a short series of questions to be asked about each person in the household who was participating in the experiment. These flysheets were completed before each interview began. The respondent was asked to give the name, age or date of birth, and sex of every member of the family, each person's relationship to the filer, their education and current student status. For persons 16 years and older, marital status was asked. See Figure 3.

Interview call sheets were completed as each attempt was made to complete a periodic and if the section for a particular person could not be completed, reason codes were marked indicating whether the respondent had moved, gone to school, been institutionalized, etc. If the interview was completed the completion date was entered and included on the GARYFILE. See Figure 4.

Income Report Forms included a section to list the name, date of birth, sex, and relationship to filer for each person who either joined or left the family in the last month. The date of arrival or departure was also requested. As these forms were completed monthly based on the prior month's activities, they provided an excellent source of information on arrivals and departures of family members.

Telephone calls and letters to and from respondents provided another source or verification of information. The Northwest Council for Families (NCF) had numerous contacts with participants. Most of these contacts were recorded on participant-contact forms. Other forms were used to detail problems relating to IRFs but were a source of information on arrivals and departures and changes in family structure.

FIGURE 3

FLYSHEET
GARYFILE PERIODIC INTERVIEWS

1. Would you please tell me the name and age of every member of this family unit?

ASK THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS ABOUT EACH MEMBER

2a. How is _____ related to you? (Record under "Relationship")

2b. /For children under 16 ask/

Who is _____ mother. If no mother in household, ask who is father. If neither, record 0.

2c. Is He/She a fulltime student this fall? (Record "No or Yes" under "Student 1972-73")

FAMILY NUMBER 5000

If the person is a full time student this fall, ask:

2d. What grade or year is _____ in? (Record under "Fall Term" DK = 98)

2e. What school is that" (Record name of school under "School")

FOR EACH MEMBER OF FAMILY, ASK-

2f. When was _____ born? (date of birth)

2g. What is the highest grade in school _____ has completed? (Record the number of the year under "Education". DK = 98) No School = 00: No School = 00: Kindergarten = K Head Start = HS)

(1 YEAR COLLEGE = 13, 2 YEARS COLLEGE = 14, etc.).

	NAME	AGE		SEX	RELATIONSHIP 2a	PARENT 2b		STUDENT 1972-73 2c		FALL TERM 2d		SCHOOL 2e	DATE OF BIRTH MONTH DAY YEAR	EDUCATION 2g	
C1		2	0	F MALE FEMALE	FILER			NO	YES				APR / 18/ 52	1	2
C2		0	4	M MALE FEMALE	SON	0	1	NO	YES				JAN / 7/ 65	0	0
				MALE FEMALE				NO	YES				/ /		
				MALE FEMALE				NO	YES				/ /		
				MALE FEMALE				NO	YES				/ /		
				MALE FEMALE				NO	YES				/ /		
				MALE FEMALE				NO	YES				/ /		
				MALE FEMALE				NO	YES				/ /		
				MALE FEMALE				NO	YES				/ /		

FIGURE 4

INTERVIEWER CALL SHEET
GARYFILE PERIODIC INTERVIEWS

FOURTH PERIODIC SECTION I

BEGIN CARD 1014

INTERVIEWER: Record name of person here

_____ /_/_/ Cols. 16-17

If this person is not at home at the present time, say that you will come back to ask him/her these questions at a later date. Try to gat a date and time he/she is most likely to be home:

_____ Cols.
(Date of Return) (Time)

1st attempt	_____		4th attempt	_____		18 - 33
	Date /_/_/_/_/	Time /_/_/_/_/		Date /_/_/_/_/	Time /_/_/_/_/	
2nd attempt	_____		5th attempt	_____		34 - 49
	Date /_/_/_/_/	Time /_/_/_/_/		Date /_/_/_/_/	Time /_/_/_/_/	
3rd attempt	_____		6th attempt	_____		50 - 65
	Date /_/_/_/_/	Time /_/_/_/_/		Date /_/_/_/_/	Time /_/_/_/_/	

IF THE SECTION FOR THE REASON NAMED ABOVE CANNOT BE COMPLETED:

Why wasn't the section completed

Not yet age 16 01
Does not exist 02
Duplicate person..... 03
Refuses to be interviewed..... 04
Moved out..... 05
Died..... 06
Away at school..... 07
Military service..... 08
Penal institution..... 09
Other (Sepcify below..... /_/_/

Ask for this person's new address, if appropriate:

Number	Street	City	State	
		/_/_/_/	/_/_/	Cols. 68-72

DATE COMPLETED: _____ / _____ Cols. 73-76
Month Day

IFDEM FILES

Three main Intermediate Files on Demographic data (IFDEM) were constructed from these demographic data: IFDEM-HCOMP, IFDEM-EDUCATION, and IFDEM-MARST. While the data were collected at different points in time from the filers, these IFDEM files were periodically updated and expanded to include subsequent changes in family structure and composition.

IFDEM-HCOMP, Intermediate File Demographics--Household Composition, is a longitudinal file containing monthly data for all 48 months of the Gary experiment. For each person who was ever a member of a family enrolled in the experiment there is data on sex, relationship code (to filer), age, arrivals and departures in the family. Family data include monthly variables on family size, type (filer and/or spouse), continuity of headship, and counts of persons by breakdowns of age.

IFDEM-EDUCATION contains education data for all persons enrolled in the experiment. The variables include completed education, full time status flag, current grade, and school type code for each of the following school years: September 1971-June 1972, September 1972-June 1973, September 1973-June 1974.

IFDEM-MARST, Marital Status contains monthly data on marital status covering the period January, 1971 through December, 1974.

Much of the data on these three files were merged onto the MONSTA file and are included in the GARYFILE also. Other variables in the demographic section, including poverty level, treatment level, experimental cell number and model cities status, were a part of the original MONSTA file.

CONTENTS OF GARYFILE DEMOGRAPHIC DATA

In addition to the descriptions of experimental status, family composition indicators, and person data on the members of the family, the GARYFILE contains some additional monthly derived variables. Among these are specific variables describing noncore members of the family.

Noncore persons in the Gary experiment are defined as those members of a family who are less than 16 years of age. On the family record, for each noncore person, the total number of noncore person records is indicated, their person numbers, birthdates, relationships to filer, and a monthly presence indicator. The GARYFILE allocates space for a maximum of 21 noncore persons.

Data on core persons is more detailed and each core person has an individual record. In addition to income and benefits variables, the demographic variables for each person include a monthly marital status, relationship-to-filer code, date of birth, sex, and education status. There is also a presence indicator showing presence in or absence from the family, and a status code which can be used to identify multiple arrivals and departures in the family.

Missing data codes follow the pattern of the other variables and are as follows:

9...3 = no match on IFDEM file
9...4 = data missing
9...5 = family or person should have data but is not available
9...6 = family or person present, but data are not available
9...7 = data not collected for this time period, such as months before enrollment, or question was not asked
9...8 = family participating, but person not present
9...9 = months after attrition

SECTION II

OVERVIEW TO INTERVIEW VARIABLES

Interview variables comprise the major portion of the GARYFILE. Baseline interviews provided basic preexperiment data, while periodic interviews were the source of the 48-month series of longitudinal data that take up the bulk of the file. Demographic variables, taken in part from interview data, are described in the previous section; this overview addresses the interviews themselves, and the variables derived from the interviews.

During the course of the experiment, 13 basic interviews were administered, including four stratification interviews which were used in assigning families to different treatment levels of the experiment. The four stratification interviews were: an initial census baseline; and an economic baseline, a sociological baseline and a social services day care baseline given to each eligible family. Enrollment of the original sample took place between January and August 1971; enrollment of special subsamples, including a high-income subsample, took place between December 1971 and February 1972. The enrollment interview, given at the time of enrollment, was less a data collection effort than a time at which the family filer was chosen and then shown how to fill in the monthly Income Report Form. The only prerequisite to being the family's filer (who was henceforward considered responsible for sending in a completed Income Report Form every month and for responding to family-oriented questions in later interviews) was that the person be over 16 years old. In practice, the filer was generally the family head.

Once enrolled, the family received a series of periodic interviews. The first periodic interview was given between February and June, 1972, and covered the period between January 1, 1971 and January 31, 1972. After this first retrospective interview, periodics were given at three- to four-month intervals during the experiment. The last, or ninth, periodic interview was given between November 1974 and March 1975 and covered data through December 31, 1974. Table 1 shows the time span within which each interview was given and the months covered by that interview, where applicable. It will be noted that, starting with the fifth periodic, the months covered by a particular interview overlap with those covered by earlier and/or later interviews; this change in interview format is discussed below, along with its effect on the longitudinal data file.

The user must keep in mind that the interview schedule and the experiment payments schedule were quite distinct. The full battery of periodic interviews covered four years, while the maximum time span of active participation (filling out Income Report Forms, receiving payments) was three years. The 48 months covered by periodics were always January 1971 through December 1974, but the 36-month span in the experiment varied by family and could fall anywhere within the

four years, bounded only by the fact that the first enrollment was in January 1971 and the last disenrollment in July 1974.

ECONOMIC BASELINE INTERVIEW

Being the only one of the three baseline interviews which was used in creating the GARYFILE, it is the only baseline which is addressed here. As the name implies, the Econ Base dealt principally with personal and family economic status. It was an extremely important interview; the single most significant item in experimental assignment procedures, the family's "normal income," was calculated on the basis of Econ Base data. In some cases the Econ Base provides the only preexperiment interview information on the GARYFILE.

Interview Content

The interview, administered from August through November 1970, had two sections: the labor supply set of questions was asked of each family member 16 or older, and the short nonwage income section was asked of the household head for the family as a whole. The data collected were basically point-in-time items pertaining to current employment status, income, and so on.

The core labor supply questions covered a great deal of ground on unemployment, intentions in looking for a job, reasons for not working, number of jobs held over time, and job training. Most of the questions, however, centered around the person's current or most recent job. General aspects such as industry and occupation, chance of overtime, and payroll period were asked for all jobs. Then, depending on the response to a question on whether the respondent was paid "by payroll check or payroll envelope," the interviewer went to a "Schedule 1"--for those with a regular job--or "Schedule 2"--for those considered dayworkers--for hours and wages information. Schedule 1 questions were asked by pay period, from the most recent back to the seventh previous period; Schedule 2 questions were asked for every day for each of the last six weeks. Each person was also asked about his/her total 1969 income and taxes.

Family information on unearned income was relatively straightforward. Most of the potential sources were listed out; the household head was asked about receipt of each source, and for the amount whenever a positive response was given. Food Stamps, Township Trustee, and business profits, as well as total 1969 income, were asked separately from the list.

ECON BASE VARIABLES ON GARYFILE

Family Record Econ Base Variables

Econ Base variables on the GARYFILE family record were all derived from responses to the last set of questions in the interview, those answered by the household head. The major work which had to be done to the raw data involved ensuring that amounts given were monthly

TABLE 1

GARY EXPERIMENT INTERVIEWS BY THE SPAN GIVEN AND PERIOD COVERED

Interview	Time Span Within Which Interview Was Given[a]	Period Covered by the Interview	
		Dates	GARYFILE Month Number
Census	Feb 70-Jun 70	---	---
Econ Baseline	Aug 70-Nov 70	---	---
Soc Baseline	Dec 70-Apr 71	---	---
Enrollment Interview	Jan 71-Aug 71 Dec 71-Feb 72	---	---
Social Service/ Day Care Baseline	Aug 71-Oct 71	---	---
P1	Feb 72-Jun 72	Jan 71-Jan 72	1-13
P2	Aug 72-Oct 72	Feb 72-May 72	14-17
P3	Nov 72-Feb 73	Jun 72-Sep 72	18-21
P4	Apr 73-Jul 73	Oct 72-Jan 73	22-25
P5	Aug 73-Nov 73	Feb 73-Aug 73	26-32
P6	Nov 73-Apr 74	Jul 73-Jan 74	31-37[b]
P7	Feb 74-Jun 74	Nov 73-Apr 74	35-40
P8	Jun 74-Oct 74	Feb 74-Aug 74	38-44
P9	Nov 74-Mar 75	Jul 74-Dec 74	43-48

SOURCE: Gary schedule of interviews.

NOTE: The Census and Baseline interviews gave point-in-time information for the time of the interview.

[a]Approximately 85-100% of the interviews were conducted during this time period.

[b]For nonwage income variables, the months covered by P6 are 31-36.

amounts--the interview question did not specify a time span in relation to reported amounts. Food Stamps and Township Trustee amounts were converted to a monthly format, and several items were summed to create a "miscellaneous" category. Though unemployment benefit amounts were assumed to be monthly unless otherwise stated (as by a marginal note in an interview booklet), there was somewhat less certainty about the accuracy of this assumption, as unemployment benefits were sometimes paid on the same schedule as a person's normal pay period. The important variable of 1969 total family income underwent extensive revision from the raw responses, as there were obvious and major inconsistencies in the manner of reporting total income. These revisions are synopsized in the variable description.

In general, family Econ Base variables were relatively clean and handling was straightforward.

Person Record Econ Base Variables

Econ Base variables on the GARYFILE person record were all derived from responses to the labor supply core questions on the baseline interview. A great deal of time and effort was put into cleaning and revising the key hours and wages variables--so much, in fact, that only family heads were so treated, and thus only male and females heads have positive data in this section of the person record.

Responses were generally taken directly from the raw data for general employment questions such as when the respondent first worked, the number of jobs held, whether currently employed or unemployed, and industry and occupation codes. The vital items from Schedule 1 and Schedule 2 were worked over and restructured for as much consistency as possible within the constraints of the given responses. The principal variables resulting from all this are arranged by type of job--a regular job working for someone else, or daywork--and by two time spans--the most recent pay period, and the average of all given pay periods, which was considered to give "normal" hours and pay.

Preexperiment Data

The Economic Baseline Interview, being the first in-depth interview in the Gary Income Maintenance Experiment, demanded far more processing than later interviews. The resulting variables provide preexperiment information for each family and for family heads which might not otherwise be available. Because the enrollment interview was not an information-gathering interview, and took place some time during the first few months covered by the first periodic, data from the first periodic may contain some months of actual preexperiment data or may contain no preexperiment data. The distinction is entirely dependent upon the family's interview and enrollment dates.

PERIODIC INTERVIEWS

General Interview Content

Each of the nine periodic interviews contained three basic segments: a labor supply core section and a family income data section given with each interview, along with one or more socioeconomic batteries included in different interviews, sometimes repeated at one-year intervals.

The labor supply core. The labor supply core was given to each family member over 16. The core questions were designed to cover jobs and periods of unemployment--with the focus on current status and events since the previous interview. Each job and unemployment spell defined by start and end dates was discussed in turn, with dates for changes--such as changes in hours worked or wage rates--given as appropriate.

Jobs were categorized in three ways: (1) working for someone else, (2) dayworker, and (3) self-employed. A great deal of effort was put into designing the interviews so that a different series of questions, each appropriate to that job category, was asked for the different types of job. A glance at the STATS, however, indicates that the number of dayworkers and self-employed persons was quite small throughout the experiment, with no more than 20 of each in any given month.

Though a large number of extremely detailed questions were asked on the interviews, only the most basic items on job types, length of employment and unemployment periods, wage rates, regular and overtime hours, and occupation and industry classifications have been used on the public use file.

The family income section. The second section of each interview was administered to the filer who provided information on the family as a whole and, in some cases, for each family member. The questions in this section concerned nonwage income, family expenses, the education of family members, and various aspects of family life. Of these, nonwage income sources have been recorded in detail on the public use files, along with educational attainment.

Socioeconomic section. The final section of each periodic interview varied from periodic to periodic. The subjects of these socioeconomic batteries included such items as job training, marital history, attitudes, aspirations, and so on. They were asked of the filer or of each family member, as appropriate to the nature of the questions.

Time Period Covered by Perodic Interviews

As noted, overlaps of months covered by periodics occurred throughout the experiment, particularly after the fifth periodic. The situation is further complicated by the fact that the reference period in each periodic differed for the core labor supply questions, for the core income questions, and for family nonwage income questions. These are described separately below.

Core labor supply questions. In general, the time period covered by each of the P1-P5 interviews starts at a fixed reference date common to all respondents and extends to the date of the current interview. P1 covers January 1, 1971 to the first interview date, P2 covers February 1, 1972 to the second interview date, P3 covers June 1, 1972 to the third interview date, P4 covers October 1, 1972 to the fourth interview date and P5 covers February 1, 1973 to the fifth interview date. This caused an overlap problem for P1-P5 as, depending on the interview date, two different periodics could contain data for a particular month. This problem of duplicate data was solved by using the item with the least recall in case of conflict.

Beginning with the P6 interview, the date of the last interview for each respondent was made the reference date from which to start data collection in the current interview. While this took care of the problem of duplicate data, another overlap problem arose, in that months were no longer clearly associated with specific interviews; that is, data for one month could have come from one of two different interviews. Theoretically, there should be little difficulty in determining for each family or person, the periodic associated with each month; in practice, because of the large amount of editing done on the early Gary files, it is not always possible to do so, as data for a given month may be partly taken from one interview and partly from another. For instance, wage information might be taken from the fifth periodic and hours data from the sixth periodic, as they were determined to be most accurate.

Income questions. Income questions for the family and persons were approached differently, in that each periodic covered predetermined months, regardless of the actual interview date. P1 covered January 1971 through January 1972; P2 covered February 1972 through May 1972; P3 covered June 1972 through September 1972; and P4 covered October 1972 through January 1973. Beginning with the P5 interview, periodics covered the period from the month of the previous interview through the end of the month immediately preceding the current interview. In month 37 nonwage income information always came from P7, while person income data was from either P6 or P7.

Table 2 summarizes the above discussion by illustrating the months covered by each periodic. It will be noted that about one-quarter of the periodic interview months were possibly covered by more than one periodic and that the problem of different question types from the same interview covering different months basically affects only months 35-42.

A note on respondent recall. It is recognized that recall problems may occur, and will be most prevalent with the first periodic in which more than a year's worth of information was collected. Recall may be faulty in later periodics, also, because of the time period between interviews. Though every effort was made to conduct interviews at regular three- to four-month intervals, it was not always possible to keep to this schedule. Interview dates are given on the file for use in determining length of the recall period.

TABLE 2

RELATIONSHIP OF PERIODIC INTERVIEWS TO MONTHS COVERED BY QUESTION TYPE

All Questions		
GARYFILE Month Numbers	Calendar Months	Periodics
1-13	Jan 71-Jan 72	P1
14-17	Feb 72-May 72	P2
18-21	Jun 72-Sep 72	P3
22-25	Oct 72-Jan 73	P4
26-30	Feb 73-Jun 73	P5
31-32	Jul 73-Aug 73	P5 or P6
33-34	Sep 73-Oct 73	P6

Labor Supply Questions			Person Interview Income Questions			Family Interview Income Questions		
Experiment Month Numbers	Calendar Months	Periodics	Experiment Month Numbers	Calendar Months	Periodics	Experiment Month Numbers	Calendar Months	Periodics
35-37	Nov 73-Jan 74	P6 or P7	35-37	Nov 73-Jan 74	P6 or P7	35-36 37	Nov 73-Dec 73 Jan 74	P6 or P7 P7
38-41	Feb 74-May 74	P7 or P8	38-40	Feb 74-Apr 74	P7 or P8	38-40	Feb 74-Apr 74	P7 or P8
42	June 74	P8	41-42	May J4-Jun3 74	P8	41-42	May 74-June 74	P8
			43-44	Jul 74-Aug 74	P8 or P9			
			45-48	Sep 74-Dec 74	P9			

SOURCE: Tables provided by Caroline Roth MPR of Princeton.

Major Changes Across Periodics

As obvious from the above discussion, major changes in interview format occurred in the course of the experiment. A number of these changes appeared about half-way through the experiment with the administration of the fifth periodic interview. Time period changes (see above) were not the only ones made; as time went on, initial screening questions were significantly altered, some questions shifted from the family to the person section of the interview, and the universe shifted back and forth between the family unit and each person for the series of nonwage income variables. These changes are discussed in turn below; other minor changes in wording and in the manner in which variables were asked are detailed in the specific variable descriptions.

Screening questions. Beginning with the fifth periodic, the screening questions became considerably more complex. The initial question establishing the respondent's current employment status was expanded from one question with five choices of response to two questions with a total of ten responses. Similarly, the question establishing whether the person was a dayworker, self-employed, or working for someone else expanded from three choices to six possibilities. Because responses to these questions determined the skip patterns used for most of the labor supply core interview, these changes are potentially quite significant. Table 3 indicates the precise wording changes that occurred.

Though less universally applicable, the disability screening questions also underwent certain changes which led to probing much further into exactly what a respondent meant when he/she reported being too disabled to work.

Nonwage income questions: change in respondent. Three major nonwage income questions, AFDC, Social Security, and Food Stamps, were shifted, beginning with the fifth periodic, from the filer-answered list of nonwage income types to the end of the person core interview. The respondent thus changed from the filer to each person interviewed, with the filer answering for him/herself and for any Food Stamp recipient under 16. This shift affects Social Security and Food Stamp variables on the public use file; AFDC data reported in interviews and on income report forms were not retained on the file.

The question on Workmen's Compensation went through an opposite shift of position on the interviews: from P1-P4 each person responded to this item on the core person interview. In P5 the category of Workmen's Compensation was dropped entirely, and in P6-P9 the item was moved to the list of nonwage income types where the filer responded for the family or each recipient. All of these changes are, of course, detailed in the specific variable descriptions.

Nonwage income questions: wording and universe changes. Nonwage income information was basically collected by reading the respondent a detailed list of possible income sources, then asking for monthly amount of any of these sources received by the family or a family member. Though a large number of categories were asked about, the

TABLE 3

ILLUSTRATION OF MAJOR WORDING CHANGES
IN INITIAL SCREENING QUESTIONS

Periodics 1-4	Periodics 5-9
ASKED OF EACH PERSON OVER 16 At the present time, are you: 1 = Employed 2 = Unemployed and looking for a job 3 = Temporarily laid off 4 = Out on strike 5 = Not working and not looking for a job	ASKED OF EACH PERSON OVER 16 Which of the following statements describe your present situation: 0 = You have a job and you are working 1 = You have a job, but you are not working at the present time 2 = You are not working at the present time IF 1 or 2 GO ON TO: Please give the main reason you are not working 1 = You are on strike 2 = You have been laid off 3 = You have a job but are not working due to the weather 4 = You have a job but are not working due to temporary illness 5 = You have a job but are on vacation 6 = You are waiting to begin a new job within 30 days 7 = You don't have a job
ASKED ABOUT EACH JOB On your job are you working for someone else, self-employed, or working on a day-to-day basis for different people?	ASKED ABOUT EACH JOB Do you: 1 = Work on a day-to-day basis for a place like Manpower, Inc. 2 = Do odd jobs from time to time for different people 3 = Clean house for different people 4 = Work in a government or private training program 5 = Work for a company or someone else, for example, in a steel mill or supermarket 6 = Own or operate your own business

SOURCE: Periodic Interviews 1-9.

public use file has a total of eight nonwage income variables. Most of the categories asked about had few responses over time and were collapsed into one "miscellaneous nonwage income" variable.

Wording changes (which also occurred around the time of the fifth periodic) are detailed in the variable descriptions and, for the most part, consist of consolidating or more closely defining specific income sources--for instance, "alimony or child support not including AFDC" from the original "alimony or child support."

The most significant change with nonwage income variables, however, was in the universe addressed. The change in placement and respondent undergone by Food Stamps, Social Security, and Workmen's Compensation questions has already been touched upon. Other nonwage income questions were always answered by the filer. In P1 and P2, the filer responded for the family as a whole; in P3 through P5, the filer responded for each recipient of an income source; in P6, the filer responded for the family, again; and in P7 through P9, the filer responded for each recipient. Figure 5 summarizes the respondent/universe relation for nonwage income variables by periodic.

The effect of all this shifting about of respondent and universe covered for nonwage income variables on the public use file is that all recipient families have a family amount for all variables, while recipients have a personal amount listed for periodics 3, 4, 5, 7, 8, and 9. Where person amounts are found, the family amount is the sum of all person amounts; where person amounts were not asked, the person record contains zeros or a 9s...7 NA code.

PERIODIC DATA ON THE GARY PUBLIC USE FILE

The periodic data appearing on the public use file can be broken down into two basic categories: income data, which appear on both the family and person records; and labor supply variables which are all given on the person record. Income variables are monthly, while some labor supply variables are monthly, and some are point-in-time items.

Income Data

Both the family and person records have a sizeable section of income variables derived from interview responses. These variables are arranged on both records beginning with nonwage income sources, then earned income, and ending with unemployment income such as strike or unemployment benefits. In general, nonwage income variables come from the filer or family interview, while earned income and unemployment income variables are derived from core person interview responses. All are arranged to provide up to 48 months of income information for each family and person income variable.

The Gary payment and Food Stamp variables are found on the family record only. Other nonwage income variables, sometimes asked by family and sometimes asked by person, appear on the family record and for some months on the person record. For periodics 1, 2, and 6

FIGURE 4

NONWAGE INCOME VARIABLES, BY RESPONDENT, UNIVERSE, AND PERIODIC

	P1	P2	P3	P4	P5	P6	P7	P8	P9
Supplemental Security, Township Trustee, Veterans Administration, Miscellaneous Nonwage, Other Income	Filer for Family		Filer for Each Recipient			Filer for Family	Filer for Each Recipient		
Social Security, Food Stamps	Filer for Family		Filer for Each Recipient		Each Adult for Self Filer for Self and Each Child				
Workmen's Compensation	Each Adult Recipient for Self				Not Asked	Filer for Family	Filer for Each Recipient		

in which only family amounts were collected, ther are no person amounts for nonwage income. Months 1-17 and 33-34 on the person record are, therefore, assigned the missing data code of 9s...7 meaning these data were not collected for these months. Months 31-32 and 35-36 were more problematical: since, as described earlier, it is not feasible to sort out which of these months were associated with the sixth periodic in each person record, the 9s...7 code was not assigned in these months.

Earned income variables were always asked by person in the core interview; hence the family amount is an aggregate of earned income for all earners in each month.

The two unemployment income variables are composite variables, that is, they are made up of responses to more than one question. The questions and derivations are fully described under the specific variables; as with nonwage variables, the interview background and variable derivation are rather complex.

Labor Supply Variables.

The person record contains three sets of labor supply variables; the first of these is a series of periodic-specific or point-in-time variables called the current period variables; following this section is a series of variables on monthly labor force status and one on monthly data on the longest job held in each month. All of the labor supply variables were derived from responses to core interview questions, and apply to family members over 16.

Current period variables are given for each of the nine periodic interviews and describe the respondent's labor force status at the time of the interview. There are nine variables in this section concerning such items as the person's type of work or reason not working; the extent of his/her disability, if there is one; and hours worked in the week immediately preceding the interview. This set of variables is quite straightforward and most of the variables were directly extracted from the original responses.

The labor force status variables are mainly derived percents, such as the percent of each month employed, the percent of each month not in the labor force, and so on. Coded variables provide such additional information as the type of work, the reason the respondent is employed but not working (for instance, on strike or on vacation), and the extent of any reported disability, all on a monthly basis for 48 months. Derivation of these variables was quite complex: once job start and end dates were defined for jobs and unemployment periods, a series of conditional situations was checked for each variable, and the defined time period was converted to a percent for each month involved. Due to changes in content and wording across periodics, details of this process were different for each periodic, and are found in the variable descriptions. Cases in which contradictory data appeared were

hand checked and corrected wherever possible. A tremendous amount of time and labor were expended in producing this set of data, which is the principal labor supply information from the Gary experiment.

Longest job. The final section of labor force variables from periodics focuses on the person's longest job in each month. The information given includes months of experience on that job; industry and occupation codes; normal and overtime hours; and normal wage rates and overtime wage ratios. The longest job in a month was generally self-evident, as most persons had only one job in a month. In cases where there was more than one job, the percentage of time employed at each job within the month was calculated based on start and end dates, and the job with the highest percentage was chosen as the longest job for that month. If two jobs had equal percentages, the job closer to the interview covering that month was chosen. Efforts were also made to pick up jobs described from interview to interview. As with the labor force status variables, a complicated series of steps was taken in the derivation of each variable in this section, and a great deal of time was spent in checking and editing the data.

A further amount of hand-checking was done to create another, smaller section of variables on "the second job held simultaneously." The number of responses was disappointingly small, however--never exceeding 10 persons in any one month--and these variables were not carried over to the public use file.

Allowable Codes for Interview Variables

The allowable codes for each variable are listed with the variable descriptions. In general, income variables are dollar amounts, while labor supply variables consist of coded variables, percents, numbers of hours, jobs, months, etc., and a dollars and cents variable for wage rates.

Missing data codes for interview variables are:

Code	Meaning
9s...9	The family and person have attrited (permanently left the experiment) or, in cases where the P9 interview took place in November, 1974, the P9 interview was given before this month.
9s...8	The family is there but the person is not present. Found on the person record only; this variable was derived based on the Person Status Code in the person demographic section, but should not be used for screening purposes, as not all possibilities were considered in the algorithm.

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Code	Meaning
9s...7	Question not asked/data not collected for this month. Assigned for months in which it was certain this was the reason for missing data.
9s...6	Person is there but question not applicable. Used for periodic data only for disability question.
9s...5	Person is there, but information not available. Used on person record for current periodic variables when family had the interview, and person was there (according to Person Status Code), but interview was not complete.
9s...4	Missing data. This is the generalized missing data code which covers a multitude of sins from respondent refusal to answer to missing data for an unknown reason; occasionally the reason can be deduced from other data.
9s...3	Person or family had no match with this set of variables. The code is assigned to sets of variables, for instance, to all current period variables, for a person who has a person number and some demographic information--and perhaps data on other parts of the file--but who has no current period data.

SECTION III

OVERVIEW TO INCOME REPORT FORM VARIABLES

All household units participating in the Gary experiment, even those not eligible for income maintenance payments, were supposed to submit monthly Income Report Forms (IRFs). Income data from the IRFs were used to calculate the family's payment, and household composition data were used to maintain an up-to-date file on family size and composition. Handling of the IRFs, once filed, is described in some detail in the User's Guide; this overview describes the instrument itself, summarizes the variables derived from IRFs for the public use file, and warns of specific problems the user may encounter in using these data.

CONTENT OF INCOME REPORT FORMS

The monthly IRF was a complicated instrument that was modified several times during the experiment. Despite these modifications, the basic format and questions remained the same throughout--changes were intended to make the form easier for the filer to interpret and fill out. Figure 6 shows the three basic pages filled out for the IRF used in the latter half of the experiment: the first page was repeated four times to cover five weeks of data, while the last two pages asked for monthly information.

Respondent

The respondent was always the family's designated filer. The filer was chosen at the time of the enrollment interview and is generally, though not always, the family head. (Since the only prerequisite to becoming the filer was being 16 or older, it was possible--though unusual--for an older child or other household member to be the filer.)

At the enrollment interview, the interviewer went over the Income Report Form quite carefully with the filer and helped him/her to fill out the family's first IRF for the preceding month.

Universe

As with periodic interviews, some data was given by person and some by family. In this case, Part I questions on employment and earnings were asked for each person 16 and over; Part II questions on nonwage income (including self-employed income) were asked for the family as a whole. The final set of questions on household composition changes identified the person(s) involved in any change and indicated the nature of the change.

FIGURE 6

ILLUSTRATION OF INCOME REPORT FORMS

INCOME REPORT FORM

NORTHWEST COUNCIL FOR FAMILIES NCF

POST OFFICE BOX 1596
GARY, INDIANA 46407

PART I - WAGE AND SALARY INCOME

Each page of Part I covers the days of the month shown in the box marked PERIOD COVERED. Fill in the boxes under each person's name on each page with the information for the days shown in the PERIOD COVERED space. If a person 16 years old or older lives in the household but is not listed below, please write in his or her full name above a blank row and complete each page of Part I. If a person has more than one job, use one row for the main job and a second row for all extra job earnings.

PLEASE REMEMBER TO COMPLETE PART II AND III ON THE LAST PAGE OF THIS FORM. ATTACH ALL PAY STUBS OR PAY ENVELOPES RECEIVED IN THIS MONTH TO THIS FORM.

PERIOD COVERED

(Week 1) to

NAME →

CHECK IF DID NOT WORK IN THIS PERIOD	IF YOU WERE PAID IN THIS PERIOD INDICATE THE GROSS AMOUNT	NUMBER OF HOURS WORKED FOR THIS PAY			DATE YOU WERE PAID	
		TOTAL	REGULAR	OVERTIME		
	•					

NAME →

CHECK IF DID NOT WORK IN THIS PERIOD	IF YOU WERE PAID IN THIS PERIOD INDICATE THE GROSS AMOUNT	NUMBER OF HOURS WORKED FOR THIS PAY			DATE YOU WERE PAID	
		TOTAL	REGULAR	OVERTIME		
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NAME →

CHECK IF DID NOT WORK IN THIS PERIOD	IF YOU WERE PAID IN THIS PERIOD INDICATE THE GROSS AMOUNT	NUMBER OF HOURS WORKED FOR THIS PAY			DATE YOU WERE PAID	
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		TOTAL	REGULAR	OVERTIME		
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NAME →

CHECK IF DID NOT WORK IN THIS PERIOD	IF YOU WERE PAID IN THIS PERIOD INDICATE THE GROSS AMOUNT	NUMBER OF HOURS WORKED FOR THIS PAY			DATE YOU WERE PAID	
		TOTAL	REGULAR	OVERTIME		
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NOTE: This page was repeated four times, with dates filled to cover each week of the preceding month.

FIGURE 6 (cont'd)

INCOME REPORT FORM

(NON WAGE INCOME AND DEDUCTIONS)

NORTHWEST COUNCIL FOR FAMILIES NCF

POST OFFICE BOX 1596
GARY, INDIANA 46407

Part 1 should be used to report all income other than wages and salaries received by you and any member of your family unit during the last month. Please write "None" if income of this kind was not received.

DUE DATE FOR INCOME REPORT FORM

Part 2, on the back of this form, should be used to report expenses which are allowable deductions. Also report changes of address or telephone number and whether anyone has joined or left your family unit. Students away at school should still be counted as part of the family unit, and should not be listed as leaving or joining the family.

PART 1 – INCOME RECEIVED FROM SOURCES OTHER THAN WAGES AND SALARIES

1. Supplemental Security Income (SSI) Benefits ..... $ ____.____
2. Total State Unemployment Compensation ..... $ ____.____
3. Total Gross Unemployment Compensation received from an employer (sub pay, etc.) ..... $ ____.____
4. Total Strike Benefits ..... $ ____.____
5. Total Social Security payments ..... $ ____.____
6. Veterans Administration Pension or Compensation (Disability) Benefits ..... $ ____.____
7. Total Disability Assistance (DA) received from the Welfare Department ..... $ ____.____
8. Total Blind Assistance (BA) received from the Welfare Department ..... $ ____.____
9. Total Old Age Assistance (OAA) received from the Welfare Department ..... $ ____.____
10. Total Aid to Families with Dependent Children (AFDC) received from the Welfare Department ..... $ ____.____
11. Total amount of Township Trustee's Assistance ..... $ ____.____
12. Total amount of child support received ..... $ ____.____
13. Rent from roomers (net of operating expenses ONLY) ..... $ ____.____
14. Self-employed income (net of business expenses) ..... $ ____.____
15. Other sources of income
    - a. Interest, dividends, capital gains ..... $ ____.____
    - b. Property rental income ..... $ ____.____
    - c. Tax refund ..... $ ____.____
    - d. Insurance settlement, inheritance ..... $ ____.____
    - e. Cash from family members not living at home ..... $ ____.____
    - f. Other cash gifts, cash prizes ..... $ ____.____
    - g. Private pension benefits ..... $ ____.____
    - h. Alimony Received ..... $ ____.____
    - i. Armed forces reserve training pay ..... $ ____.____
    - j. Job Training benefits (specify program) _____ $ ____.____
    - k. Scholarships, G.I. Bill payments excluding the cost of books and tuition ..... $ ____.____
    - l. Other (specify) ..... $ ____.____

FOOD STAMPS:

16. Total amount paid by members of your family unit for FOOD STAMPS ..... $ ____.____
17. Total dollars worth of groceries that can be bought with the FOOD STAMPS paid for this month ..... $ ____.____

18. NCF Overpayments ..... $ ____.____

FIGURE 6 (cont'd)

PART III : DEDUCTIONS AND HOUSEHOLD CHANGES

1. Court ordered child support paid by members of your family ..... $ _____

2. Medical expenses not paid by insurance or others -(describe). Provide receipts for individual expenses greater than $10 _____

_____ $ _____

3. Other court ordered payments (describe) _____

_____ $ _____

4. Losses from accidents, fire, theft (please describe and provide proof of loss)

_____

_____ $ _____

PLEASE COMPLETE ONE LINE IN THE FOLLOWING TABLE FOR EACH PERSON WHO HAS EITHER JOINED OR LEFT THIS FAMILY IN THE LAST MONTH (INCLUDE BIRTHS AND DEATHS)

FIRST NAME — LAST NAME	DATE OF BIRTH MONTH/DAY/YEAR	SEX	RELATIONSHIP TO FILER	DATE THIS PERSON	
				JOINED	LEFT

If your address has changed, fill in the new address below.

_____
NAME

_____
STREET ADDRESS

_____
CITY STATE ZIP CODE

DATE MOVED _____
MONTH DAY YEAR

If your telephone number has changed, please fill in the new number below.

_____
(AREA CODE) TELEPHONE NUMBER

Filer's Signature _____ Date _____

If someone other than the filer prepared this form, please sign below

Preparer's Signature _____ Date _____

SOURCE: Gary Experiment Income Report Form used in the last half of the experiment.

experiment, and the family was officially disenrolled (periodic interviewing continued, however, through the 9th periodic); or (2) August 1974 (month 42), which was the official end of the financial experiment, whether or not the family had been enrolled for 36 months (this affected the high-income families which had fewer than 36 IRFs filed); or (3) the family informally dropped out of the experiment, which occurred several months before administrative attrition.

In practice, there were, of course, exceptions to the sequence of monthly filing. Control families, which received a ten-dollar payment for each completed IRF, had less incentive than financial families to submit a completed form every month. These families in particular may have gaps in their IRF data. Attrition also took its toll, and the months prior to official attrition are problematical. It was only after several months of no data, and repeated attempts to get the family back into the experiment, that attrition took place. Unfortunately, because the file does not always distinguish between unfiled IRFs and those with no positive data, it is not possible to tell with certainty exactly when a family informally attrited.

Generally, however, each family had its span of activity covering three years or less between December 1970 and June 1974, and it is for those months that Income Report Form data are available for the family and its members. The start and end dates for each family vary, of course, within the 48-month range.

SOURCE FILES FOR PUBLIC USE FILE

The raw data from IRFs were put onto a file without further editing. Near the end of the payment phase of the experiment, an IRF reedit was undertaken to create a complete and consistent longitudinal income-report file for each participant family. In cleaning the data, efforts were made to correct mistakes made by filers and by payments clerks who initially processed the forms. The reedit process was comprehensive and very complex;[1] the basic result was a clean file which had converted weekly person data to monthly figures, and summed person wages for a family total for each month. Nonwage amounts were already in monthly units.

The IRF variables on MONSTA were taken directly from the reedited IRF file and the public use file used the IRF variables found on MONSTA.

IRF VARIABLES ON THE PUBLIC USE FILE

Family Income Variables

The family record has 13 income variables for various types of nonwage income. As obvious from looking at the form itself in figure 6. these items were all asked for the family as a whole. Though a dollars and cents amount was asked, all responses have been converted to the nearest dollar.

[1] Documentation of the cleaning process is kept at MPR, and its available at cost. This documenting is detailed (the process included quite a bit of case-by-case handling) and the general user should have no need for it.

Wages and Hours Data

The first four or five pages of the IRF concerned wage and hours data for each person. These items were asked week by week, with one page for each week of the previous month. Although the format of these pages was changed from time to time, in general, three kinds of data were included for each person--gross wages, payroll withholdings, and hours of work--all asked for each job held during the month. Families were asked to submit pay stubs to document these data and a high proportion of the wage earners in financial families did so because income tax withholdings were reimbursed by the experiment when pay stubs were included with the monthly IRFs.

Nonwage Income

Entries on the sixth page of the IRF pertained to nonwage income such as Supplemental Security Income, Unemployment Compensation, Social Security Income, Veterans Administration income, and so on. The list of items occasionally changed in wording, but generally covered those shown on the second page of figure 6. It will be noted that self-employed income was included with other nonwage income sources.

All of these items were asked by family only--the data do not allow identification of individual recipients--and were asked for the monthly amount received.

Deductions and Household Changes

The last page of the IRF, part III of the form, covered allowable income deductions and household composition changes. Allowable deductions were listed out and included court-ordered child support paid by members of the family, medical expenses not paid by insurance, other court-ordered payments, and losses from accidents, fire, theft, etc.

Household changes were also listed on the last page by person. Each person was identified by name, birthdate, sex, and relation to the filer. Dates were given for when the person joined or left the family, and the nature of the change was given.

Time Period Covered

Each IRF covered occurrences for the immediately preceding month and, because the filing of IRFs was tied up with administration of the financial experiment, there is a maximum of 36 IRFs for any one family. The earliest report forms were filed for December 1970 (month 0) and the last for June 1974 (month 42).

The first form filed for each family--the one filled out with the interviewer at the enrollment interview--gives data for the month before the enrollment interview. Subsequently, the family was expected to submit an Income Report Form for each month until: (1) 36 forms had been filed, the family had completed its three years on the financial

Most family income variables correspond to a specific question on the Income Report Form: thus strike benefits come from the response to question II-4, Veterans Administration income from question II-6, and so on. SSI income summed across the Blind, Disabled, and Old Age Assistance categories, where these were asked separately, and miscellaneous nonwage income summed across several nonwage income types. The earnings variables--gross family wage earnings and a count of earners in each month--were calculated from person data in the employment portion of the Income Report Form.

Person IRF Variables

The public use file person record has nine IRF variables, including four income variables and five employment variables. Wages, hours, and related information were asked week-by-week for each job held. These responses were summed across all weeks in a month for a monthly figure. Data on various payroll withholdings (taxes, FICA), and on "special hours" (such as vacation or paid sick leave) were sometimes asked on the form itself, and sometimes taken from the submitted pay stubs.

Missing Data Codes and Zeros

The original files contained no missing data or not applicable codes. Instead, if an answer was not given for a particular question, for whatever reason, a zero was assigned. This means that zeros represented a myriad of possibilities: aside from true zeros, they can mean that the questionn was not applicable to the person or family, that a response which should appear was simply omitted, or even that the entire Income Report Form was never filed. It is important to keep this in mind when using the data, as missing responses and forms are not distinguishable from those with true zeros or no positive data.[1]

Missing data codes were added for the public use version. Though there was no way to go back and infer reasons for missing data and distinguish between various meanings of zeros, the codes added do highlight each family's period of activity in the experiment, so the user can tell when responses should have been given (i.e., could be expected, as the month is within the family's time in the experiment) and when they fall outside that time frame, zeros have been converted to 9s...7s for these months. In defining the family's period in the experiment, each family was assigned a period during which an IRF should have been filed: this period began with the month preceding enrollment and contained until 36 months had passed, until month 42, or until the family was officially attrited. Missing data code assignments

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[1]Unfortunately, IRFs with no positive data (i.e., with all zeros) were not kept--so there was no way to go back and check the actual instruments.

were made on the basis of this active period, and are as follows:

Code	Meaning
9s...9	Family has attrited. Usually preceded by strings of 9s...5s
9s...8	Person has not yet joined an active family (person records only)
9s...7	Data not collected for this month: it is either before the first or after the last IRF that should have been filed
9s...5	An IRF should have been filed for this month, but IRF data not available
9s...4	Missing data

A Note on AFDC

As with periodic-reported AFDC amounts, IRF AFDC data proved too inconsistent to maintain on the file. Thus, all AFDC data on the public use file are found in the section on administrative variables.

ADVANTAGES AND PITFALLS

Several problems arising from Income Report Form data have been discussed above, in particular the difficulty of distinguishing true zeros from missing data. Filer misunderstanding and coder/processor errors compounded such problems, and were identified and cleaned as far as possible.

On the positive side, the IRF data form a quite consistent body of information which, having been collected monthly, did not face the problem of time lag between events and the reporting of the events, and which was often accompanied by validating documents, which also minimized the probability of errors and misreporting.

In general, the Income Report Form information should be used as a supplement and a check to the periodic data which form the bulk of the file.

SECTION IV

OVERVIEW TO ADMINISTRATIVE VARIABLES

Near the end of the experiment, a number of external sources were consulted. The data collected were all financial, and included income from various sources, and some tax information. These administrative data provide verification of information collected in the experiment from periodic interviews and from Income Report Forms, and expand the base of preexperimental information. In general, these items are intended to supplement periodic and IRF data, though in one case--AFDC income--only administrative data are given on the public use file.

At the beginning of the income validation effort, only a subset of the experiment population was chosen for this additional action; as time went on, however, and it became obvious that the information obtained was interesting and potentially useful, it was decided to perform the income validation steps on the entire experiment population.

Administrative data on GARYFILE cover a total of seven basic sources or subjects: (1) the Gary experiment payments files provided information on experiment payments; (2) AFDC files at the State Department of Public Welfare provided AFDC information for 1970 and for the 48 interview months of operation of the experiment; (3) the Lake County Department of Public Welfare provided information on the SSI program for 1970 and for the first 36 months of the experiment; (4) Food Stamp information, also from the welfare department, covered 1970 and 36 months of the experiment; (5) the Internal Revenue Service provided basic income information and federal tax amounts, all for 1969-1973; (6) the Indiana Department of Revenue provided income and state tax information for the same years; (7) the Indiana Department of Employment Security provided quarterly wages data and monthly unemployment benefits data.

Each of these is described briefly, following a general look at the methods used to obtain the administrative data.

OBTAINING ADMINISTRATIVE DATA

The details of collecting administrative data varied, of course, for the different sources. The general approach, however, was similar, and evolved as the process continued.[1]

First, the pertinent agencies and offices were contacted for permission to collect data from their records. Some agencies (namely

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[1]Detailed documentation on most of these items is maintained at MPR and is available at cost. The level of detail makes it superfluous for the general user.

the IRS) required the signed consent of affected persons before their records could be released. Even where consent was not required, participants were informed of the impending data collection. Most families agreed; the three that objected were excluded from the effort.

Alphabetical lists of experiment participants were compared with similar lists from the relevant agencies. Addresses and household composition data were then compared to make sure the name-matches were correct. Further checking with updated lists was done where possible. Discrepancies--such as participants reporting receipt of welfare income from an agency which had no record of such a person--were followed up more thoroughly. Obviously, a small amount of information may have fallen through the cracks in this process, but in the main, the self-reported and external sources were reasonably congruent.

Available data were then taken from the administrative files, coded onto specially-designed forms, and eventually-after several rounds of further checking and quality control steps--put onto a series of data tapes. Selected items from each file were put onto MONSTA, which was the immédiate source for administrative data on the Gary Public Use file.

TYPES OF ADMINISTRATIVE DATA

Gary Payments

The experiment files contain a great deal of information on every contact made with the participants, and on the payments process for each family, including payment calculations, lists of all checks sent out, cancelled checks, etc. From this mass of data, one variable was extracted for this file--the amount actually received by the family from the experiment, either as a filing fee (controls) or as an income maintenance payment (financial families). This variable appears on the family record only, as payments were made to families, not individuals.

AFDC

As noted earlier, AFDC information collected in interviews and from income report forms proved too inconsistent to include, so the only AFDC data on the public use file are administrative.

Items given include the total amount of AFDC in 1970, the amount received in the month of the Econ Baseline (given sometime in 1970), and monthly variables for each of the 48 months covered by periodic interviews. The first monthly variable shows the amount of AFDC actually received by a family, and applies to control families; the second monthly variable shows the amount which each participant family was eligible to receive. For controls this equals the amount actually received; for financial families, it is the amount they would have received had they been receiving AFDC at the time. This variable was prepared from a monthly list sent to experiment administrators by

the Department of Welfare during the course of the experiment to ensure that experiment payments were always equal to or greater than the family's potential AFDC payment.

SSI

SSI information, like other nonwage income sources, includes the total 1970 amount received, as well as the amount received in the month of the Econ Baseline. Monthly data for the time of the experiment cover the first through the 36th months covered by interviews (January 1971-December 1973). Two variables are given: the "Current Award" is the person's regular grant, received the first of every month; the "Retroactive Payment" is one made when, in the course of initially determining or in redetermining a case, it was decided that the Welfare Department owed the recipient additional money for past months. The retroactive payment was thus a lump sum amount and atypical, appearing most often when a case was just opened.

SSI payments reflect the sum of Disability, Blind, and Old Age Assistance.

Food Stamps

Food Stamp information is also given for 1970, the Econ Baseline month, and the first 36 months covered by interviews. Two variables are given for each time unit: first is the face value, or purchasing power of the stamps; second is the cost of the stamps, or the amount the family paid for them. The bonus amount, or net value, can be calculated by subtracting the cost from the face value.

Internal Revenue Service

A different type of data was obtained from the Internal Revenue Service. The family record shows annual gross wages (summed from person amounts), annual dividends and interest, the annual amount of other income or loss, the total federal income tax, and the total federal tax withheld. These variables are given for each of five years, 1969 through 1973.

The person record has only individual annual gross wages for 1969-1973 and joint annual gross wages for the same years: whichever applied for the year is given.

Indiana Department of Revenue (IDR)

The state tax department provided the same data as the federal tax service for both family and person records.

State Division of Employment Security (DES)

Wages are given for 1970 (total amount), for the quarter including the Econ Baseline interview, and for the first fifteen quarters

of the four years January 1971-December 1974. Unemployment benefits paid by the state are given monthly for months 1-44 of the period covered by the interviews.

ZEROS AND MISSING DATA CODES

For the most part, zeros in the administrative data sections are true zeros. Exceptions are few, and are noted in the variable descriptions.

Missing data codes are similar to those found elsewhere on the file. They are:

Code	Meaning
9s...7	Data not collected for this month/period of time
9s...6	Question not applicable: for Gary payments only
9s...4	Missing data
9s...3	There are no data for this person/family on this subject.

Part III

THE FAMILY RECORD

SECTION I

INTRODUCTION TO THE FAMILY RECORD

The GARYFILE is a hierarchical family-oriented file--that is, it is organized around each family unit, with persons identified in rerelation to their family. The family records, listed in numerical order by assigned family number, have four sections covering two principal subjects--demographic items and family income--from the three data sources--interviews, Income Report Forms, and administrative records. This introduction briefly summarizes the variables included in each segment, while the following glossary section contains a variable description for each family record variable in the order in which it appears on the file.

DEMOGRAPHIC VARIABLES

Variables in the demographic section of the family record include: (1) the family number assigned to each family in the experiment; (2) codes defining the family's preexperimental income in relation to the poverty level, and the various treatment levels in the experiment; (3) dates of enrollment, disenrollment, and attrition; (4) descriptive family variables such as a multiple family indicator, a family type code, and a continuity of household headship code; (5) person numbers and filer status codes for both the principal male and principal female; (6) a monthly "time on the financial experiment" count; (7) monthly family composition data such as total family size, number of children under six and under 16; (8) interview dates and completion codes; and (9) data on noncore persons (children under 16) such as person number, birthdate, relationship to filer, and presence/absence each month.

Monthly demographic variables cover months 1-48, with positive data generally appearing beginning with the month of the family's enrollment in the experiment.

INTERVIEW VARIABLES

Interview variables on the family record are all income variables. The first set, taken from the Econ Baseline interview, provide preexperiment interview data, while the second set, from the nine periodic interviews, provide a certain amount of preexperiment data, data during the financial experiment, and several months of post-experiment data--with the number of months of each depending on the time span of the family's participation in the financial experiment.

Econ Base Variables

Econ Base variables on the family record are all point-in-time dollar amounts of income. Nonwage income sources include the Township Trustee; Social Security; the Veterans' Administration; income from assets, property, and/or a family business; and a "miscellaneous" aggregate of several other occasional sources. No family earned income is given. Unemployment benefits from the state and from the employer are given, as well as any Workmen's Compensation amounts. The last Econ Base variable is a total family income variable for the year preceding the interview--in most cases this was 1969.

Periodic Variables

Periodic income variables on the family record are monthly dollar amounts of income for up to 48 months, from January 1971 through December 1974. Nonwage sources are: Supplemental Security Income (reported, in earlier months, in three separate categories for Blind, Disabled, and Old Age Assistance), the Township Trustee, Food Stamps, Social Security, the Veterans' Administration, assets and/or property income, and "miscellaneous" nonwage income. Earned income types include the sum of persons amounts for regular job wages, daywork earnings, and odd job earnings. Unemployment benefits and supplemental unemployment benefits are summed into one variable, as are strike benefits and Workmen's Compensation amounts.

INCOME REPORT FORM VARIABLES

Each family has up to 36 months of income report form data: family record variables are dollar amounts from various sources. The family's "filing period" is defined by its first and last months, to orient the user to the family experiment time frame within the 48 months covered by interviews.

Nonwage income sources include: Supplemental Security Income (again, the sum of Blind, Disabled, and Old Age Assistance), the Township Trustee, Food Stamps, Social Security, the Veterans' Administration and a "miscellaneous" aggregation. Self-employed earnings and gross family wage earnings comprise the earned income variables for this section. Unemployment compensation from the state, unemployment compensation from the employer, and strike benefits complete this section of IRF variables.

ADMINISTRATIVE VARIABLES

Administrative variables on the family record are basically income and tax variables in dollars. They come from several sources.

Gary Payments

The amount of Gary checks sent to families was taken from Gary Experiment payments records for up to 36 months for each family.

AFDC

AFDC records provided a 1970 total and a monthly amount for the month of the Econ Baseline. Two monthly items appear for months 1-48; the actual income amount received is given (mainly for control families), while the "eligibility amount"--that for which a financial experimental family would have been eligible, had they not been receiving NIT payments--appears for financial families. (For controls the eligibility amount is the same as the amount actually received.)

SSI

SSI records provide a 1970 total and a monthly amount for the month of the Econ Baseline. Two monthly amounts for months 1-36 are given, the "current" or normal monthly award, and a "retroactive" or one-time award, usually given at the opening of a new case.

Food Stamps

Food Stamp variables always show both the face value (purchasing power) of the stamps, and the cost (the amount the family paid for the stamps). These are both given for 1970, for the month of the Econ Baseline, and for months 1-36.

IRS/IDR

The Internal Revenue Service and the Indiana Department of Revenue give similar variables, all annual dollar amounts for 1969 through 1973. These include annual gross wages, dividends and interest, other income/loss, total tax (federal and state), and total withholdings (federal and state).

DES

The Indiana Division of Employment Security gives gives wage data for 1970, for the quarter including the family's Econ Baseline, and then gives quarterly wages for the period 1971-1974. Unemployment benefit amounts are given monthly for months 1-48.

SECTION II

FAMILY RECORD VARIABLE DESCRIPTIONS

The following pages contain variable descriptions for each of the variables found on the GARYFILE family record, with each given in the order in which it appears on the file. The organization of these descriptions is described in part 1 of this glossary, while an overview of data sources is found in part 2. The user is urged to become familiar with these, as well as with the Users' Guide to the GARYFILE for an overall understanding of the experiments and the data which appear on the file.

Each variable is readily identified by the variable number in the top right-hand corner of the first page of variable description. This variable number, and the variable name appearing immediately under it, facilitate cross-reference between the glossary descriptions and both the record format description and the STATS runs for the family record.

VARIABLE TITLE	FAMILY NUMBER
ALLOWABLE CODES	nnnn = Family number
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION	The family number is a unique four-digit number assigned to each family at the time of enrollment.

VARIABLE TITLE	POVERTY LEVEL
ALLOWABLE CODES	1 = Pre-experimental income ≤ .5 times official poverty level 2 = Pre-experimental income > .5 times and ≤ 1.0 times official poverty level 3 = Pre-experimental income > 1.0 times and ≤ 1.5 times official poverty level 4 = Pre-experimental income > 1.5 times and ≤ 2.4 times official poverty level 5 = Pre-experimental income > 2.4 times official poverty level
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION	Poverty level was one of three characteristics used to select and stratify households in the experiment. Normal family income was measured by the ratio of the family's income as reported on the economic baseline to the poverty-level income for a family of that size. On the basis of this ratio families were divided into five poverty level groups.

VARIABLE TITLE	TREATMENT LEVEL
ALLOWABLE CODES	0 = Control 1 = Low guarantee, high tax rate 2 = Low guarantee, low tax rate 3 = High guarantee, high tax rate 4 = High guarantee, low tax rate
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION	The experimental design included two guarantee levels and two tax rates. The guarantee level was the payment made to a family with no other income source and two levels were tested: $4300 (high guarantee) and $3300 (low guarantee). The tax rate was the rate at which the payment was reduced if a family earned income. Two tax rates were 40 percent (low) and 60 percent (high). Families were randomly assigned to the treatment levels after being divided into income and demographic groups.

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CELLNUM

VARIABLE TITLE CELL NUMBER

ALLOWABLE CODES 001-165 = Cell number (see below)

Sample 1 - Model Cities

Sample 2 - Non-Model Cities

Cell #

	MALE	FEMALE				MALE	FEMALE	
1	H-L	H-L	21	INCOME LEVEL 1	41	H-L	H-L	61
2	H-H	H-H	22		42	H-H	H-H	62
3	L-L	L-L	23		43	L-L	L-L	63
4	L-H	L-H	24		44	L-H	L-H	64
5	Control	Control	25		45	Control	Control	65
6	H-L	H-L	26	2	46	H-L	H-L	66
7	H-H	H-H	27		47	H-H	H-H	67
8	L-L	L-L	28		48	L-L	L-L	68
9	L-H	L-H	29		49	L-H	L-H	69
10	Control	Control	30		50	Control	Control	70
11	H-L	H-L	31	3	51	H-L	H-L	71
12	H-H	H-H	32		52	H-H	H-H	72
13	L-L	L-L	33		53	L-L	L-L	73
14	L-H	L-H	34		54	L-H	L-H	74
15	Control	Control	35		55	Control	Control	75
16	H-L	H-L	36	4	56	H-L	H-L	76
17	H-H	H-H	37		57	H-H	H-H	77
18	L-L	L-L	38		58	L-L	L-L	78
19	L-H	L-H	39		59	L-H	L-H	79
20	L-H	LOH	40		60	Control	Control	80

85	Special Control	Special Control	95	Includes families from Income Levels 1-4

Sample 3 - High Income

101	H-1	H-1	121	5	141	H-L	H-L	161
102	H-H	H-H	122		142	H-H	H-H	162
103	L-L	L-L	123		143	L-L	L-L	163
104	L-H	L-H	124		144	L-H	L-H	164
105	Control	Control	125		145	Control	Control	165

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VARIABLE DESCRIPTION

Sample families were randomly assigned to the 5 payment treatments within the 16 income and demographic groups. These groups were based on poverty level, family type, and residence This experimental design included 80 cells. Families were enrolled in the experiment until the desired cell size was reached.

This chart demonstrates the cell description. Cell number 1 contains male-female headed families, income level 1, in the Model Cities Sample, with high guarantee level and high tax rate. Cell number 61 contains female-headed families, income level 1, in the Non-Model Cities Sample, with high guarantee level and low tax rate.

Three special subsamples were subsequently added to the experimental design. These were a high-income sample, a special control group and a Hawthorne control group. The special controls were assigned to cell numbers 85 and 95 and included families from all four income levels. The high income sample was assigned cell numbers starting with 101. For the exact breakdown of numbers of families in each cell, see Table II-3.

VARIABLE TITLE	MODEL CITIES STATUS
ALLOWABLE CODES	0 = Outside model city 1 = Inside model city
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION	In the original experimental design an equal number of families were to be enrolled from inside and outside the Model Cities area. However, at the time of enrollment much of the Model Cities housing had been demolished leaving less than half of the original sample still residing in those areas. This variable indicates the status of families in relation to the Model Cities area at the time of enrollment.

ENRLDATE

VARIABLE TITLE	ENROLLMENT DATE
ALLOWABLE CODES	YYDDD = Julian date for the date of enrollment
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION	Enrollment occurred between January and August 1971 with most of the Model Cities sample being enrolled between January and April.

F0007
F0008
cont

TRANSFER PAYMENT NUMBERS AND MONTH IDENTIFIERS

TRANSFER PAYMENT NUMBER		MONTH CHECK MAILED (M+2)	MONTH INFORMATION SUBMITTED (M+)	PERIOD COVERED (M)
1-2		February	January 22, 1971	T = I {Dec. 17, 1970 Jan. 13, 1971
3-4		March	Same as above	2 Same as above
*5-6		April 1971	February 26, 1971	3 {Jan. 14 - Feb. 17, 1971
7-8		May	April	4 March
9-10		June	May	5 April
11-12		July	June	6 May
13-14		August	July	7 June
15-16	Family size limit changed to 20	September	August	8 July
17-18		October	September	9 August
19-20		November	October	10 September
21-22		December	November	11 October
23-24		January 1972	Decmeber	12 November
25-26		February	January 1972	13 December
27-28		March	February	14 January 1972
29-30		April	March	15 February
31-32		May	April	16 March
33-34		June	May	17 April
35-36		July	June	18 May
37-38		August	July	19 June
39-40		September	August	20 July
41-42		October	September	21 August
43-44		November	October	22 September
45-46		December	November	23 October
47-48		January 1973	December	24 November
49-50		February	January 1973	25 December
51-52		March	February	26 Janurary, 197
53-54		April	March	27 February
55-56		May	April	28 March
57-58		June	May	29 April
59-60		July	June	30 May
61-62		August	July	31 June
63-64		September	August	32 July
65-66		October	September	33 August
67-68		November	October	34 September
69-70		December	November	35 October
71-72		January 1974	December	36 November
72-73		February	January 1974	37 December
74-75		March	February	38 January 1974
76-77		April	March	39 February
78-79		May	April	40 March
80-81		June	May	41 April
82-83		July	June	42 May
84-85		August	July	43 June

*Prior to April 1, 1971, B-X was on a Bi-weekly payment system

T.P. #1-2, 3-4 are based on income reported for December 17, 1970 to January 13, 1971.
T.P. #5-6 are based on income reported for January 14, 1971 to February 17, 1971 (February 28, 1971 was not reported).
T.P #78 are based on income reported for March 1 - March 31, 1971.

VARIABLE TITLE	LAST TRANSFER PAYMENT NUMBER
ALLOWABLE CODES	4 - 86 = Last transfer payment number 99 = No payment received
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION	The last transfer payment indicates the last payment in the Gary experiment. As in the first transfer number, the month the income report form was submitted and the time period covered by the form is indicated on the attached chart. (See preceding chart)

VARIABLE TITLE	ATTRITION DATE
ALLOWABLE CODES	YYDDD = Date of attrition 00000 = Did not attrite
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION	For families that left the experiment prior to their scheduled disenrollment, the attrition date is the date of official termination. Three hundred families left either voluntarily or were dropped from the experiment because they did not conform to the rules of the experiment.

VARIABLE TITLE	DISENROLLMENT DATE
ALLOWABLE CODES	YYDDD = Disenrollment date 00000 = No disenrollment date
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION	The disenrollment date indicates the date families in the Gary experiment officially ended their participation. Families were eligible to receive payments for 36 months after their enrollment or through August, 1974, whichever came first. (The first group of families enrolled received their last checks in February, 1974.) The disenrollment date applies to families that received the negative income tax payments as well as control families which received filing fees.

F0011-
F0058

MLFLAG1-
MLFLAG48

VARIABLE TITLE

MONTHLY MULTIPLE FAMILY FLAG

ALLOWABLE CODES

00 = Not living with another family
01 = Living with another family
02 = Living with another family, not yet enrolled, or not enrolled, or attrited
03 = Previously living with another family, current status unknown
97 = Months before enrollment
99 = Months after attrition

VARIABLE DESCRIPTION

Two or more family units sharing the same house or dwelling were defined as a multiple family unit. If these multiple units were identified before or during the time of enrollment, the units were enrolled separately and considered to be independent family units for the remainder of the experiment. Multiple units discovered after enrollment were treated as part of the original household unit.

This flag indicates the status of the family with respect to secondary units. Families with secondary units which were enrolled separately were eligible for higher payments than families with secondary units which were not enrolled separately as payments did not increase with family size.

F0059-
F0106

FAMTYP1-
FAMTYP48

VARIABLE TITLE	FAMILY TYPE CODE, AT BEGINNING OF EACH MONTH, BY MONTH
ALLOWABLE CODES	01 = Filer and spouse 02 = Female filer, no spouse 03 = Male filer, no spouse 94 = Data missing 97 = Months before enrollment 99 = Months after attrition, if applicable
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION	The family type code indicates for the beginning of each of 48 months, the sex of the filer and whether there was a spouse present in the family.

VARIABLE TITLE	CONTINUITY OF HOUSEHOLD HEADSHIP
ALLOWABLE CODES	01 = Always same filer and always had a spouse 02 = Always a filer with a spouse 03 = Always same filer, only sometimes with a spouse 04 = Always same filer with no spouse 05 = Always a filer with no spouse 06 = None of the above
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION	The filer in a Gary family was the person designated to fill out the Income Report Forms. This person was usually the head of the household. This continuity variable gives an indication of family stability or changes in family structure. The codes listed above were assigned based on the following criteria: a) Only one person was ever coded filer b) At least one person ever coded spouse c) Whenever the filer is present, spouse is also present d) No more than two persons ever coded filer or spouse e) No one ever coded spouse Code 01 for household headship meets conditions a, c, and d. Code 02 meets conditions c and d only. Code 03 meets conditions a and b, but not c; code 4, conditions a and e; code 05, e only. Code 06, none of the above, reflects complex changes of filer for a variety of reasons.

VARIABLE TITLE	PERSON NUMBER OF PRINCIPAL MALE
ALLOWABLE CODES	nnnnnn = Person number of principal male 999999 = No principal male
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION	The person number of the principal male is composed of two parts: the first four digits are identical to the family number; the last two digits are unique digits to identify the principal male in the family. If there is no principal male, MALENUM = 999999.
COMMENTS	In families where there are both a male and a female head at the time of enrollment, the male identifier was a code of 01 and the female identifier was 02. In female headed families, the female received the code of 01 in the last two digits of the person number.

VARIABLE TITLE	FILER STATUS OF PRINCIPAL MALE
ALLOWABLE CODES	0 = Spouse of filer 1 = Filer 9 = No principal male
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION	In Gary families, one person was designated as the filer, or person responsible for completing Income Report Forms each month. This variable indicates whether the male head was designated as the filer.

VARIABLE TITLE	PERSON NUMBER OF PRINCIPAL FEMALE
ALLOWABLE CODES	nnnnnn = Person number of principal female 999999 = No principal female
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION	The person number of the principal female is composed of two parts: the first four digits are identical to the family number; the last two are unique digits to identify the principal female in the family. If there is no principal female, FEMNUM = 999999.
COMMENTS	In families where there were both male and female heads at the time of enrollment, the male identifier was a code of 01 and the female identifier was 02. In female headed families, the female received the code of 01 in the last two digits of the person number.

VARIABLE TITLE	FILER STATUS OF PRINCIPAL FEMALE
ALLOWABLE CODES	0 = Spouse of filer 1 = Filer 9 = No principal female
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION	In Gary families, one person was designated as the filer, or person responsible for completing Income Report Forms each month. This variable indicates whether the female head was designated as the filer.

F0112-
F0159

EXPTIM1-
EXPTIM48

VARIABLE TITLE	TIME ON FINANCIAL EXPERIMENT
ALLOWABLE CODES	901-948 = Number of months preceding first Gary payment 001-048 = Number of months on financial experiment; i.e., number of months receiving Gary payment 996 = Control family 999 = Family attrited, or receiving payment that month
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION	Families that participated in the Gary experiment were entitled to a maximum of 36 months of Gary payments. This variable indicates, for each of 48 months, the number of months a family had been receiving these payments. Three digit codes beginning with 9 (901, 902, etc.) indicate the number of months preceding the first payment. Control families that were not eligible for payments have a 996 code for each of the 48 months. (The $5 payment for completing Income Report Forms was not counted as a Gary payment for purposes of this variable.) In the months after attrition, or in months when a family did not receive a payment, a 999 code appears.

F0160-
F0207

TOTFAM1-
TOTFAM48

VARIABLE TITLE	TOTAL FAMILY SIZE AT THE BEGINNING OF EACH MONTH, BY MONTH
ALLOWABLE CODES	01-21 = Family size at beginning of the month 94 = Data missing 97 = Family not yet enrolled 99 = Family attrited or not participating
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION	For each of 48 months this variable tells the total family size at the beginning of the month. This reflects family size after accounting for arrivals and departures which occurred the preceding month. A 97 code appears in the months prior to enrollment.

F0208

TOTORIG

VARIABLE TITLE	TOTAL NUMBER OF ORIGINAL ENROLLEES
ALLOWABLE CODES	01-16 = Total number of original enrollees
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION	This variable reports the number of original enrollees in each family at the time of enrollment.

VARIABLE TITLE	TOTAL NUMBER OF SUBSEQUENT ENROLLEES
ALLOWABLE CODES	00-10 = Total number of subsequent enrollees
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION	Persons entering the family after enrollment are counted in this variable. Each new person entering the family during the 48 month period is counted; departures are not deducted from the number.

F0210-
F0257

KIDS61-
KIDS648

VARIABLE TITLE	NUMBER OF CHILDREN UNDER 6, BY MONTH
ALLOWABLE CODES	00-09 = Number of children under 6, by month 97 = Months before enrollment 99 = Months after attrition
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION	This variable was derived by counting the number of children whose ages were in the range of 0 to 5 years at the beginning of each month.

F0258-
F0305

KIDS161-
KIDS1648

VARIABLE TITLE	NUMBER OF CHILDREN UNDER 16, BY MONTH
ALLOWABLE CODES	00-09 = Number of children under 16, by month 97 = Months before enrollment 99 = Months after attrition
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION	The number of children under 16 each month includes those under 6 counted in the last variable (F0210-F0257). It was derived by summing the number of children whose ages were in the range of 0 to 15 years.

VARIABLE TITLE	TOTAL NUMBER OF CORE PERSON RECORDS
ALLOWABLE CODES	01-12 = Total number of core persons
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION	Core persons are defined as those members of a family who are 16 years old or older. These persons were administered portions of the interview dealing with income and working, unemployment, and labor force status.

F0318-
F0326

CMPCODE1-
CMPCODE9

VARIABLE TITLE	INTERVIEW COMPLETION CODE, BY PERIODIC
ALLOWABLE CODES	1 = Family completed interview 9 = Family did not complete interview
VARIALBE DESCRIPTION	A code of 1 indicates that the family completed the periodic interview and a code of 9, that the interview was not completed.

VARIABLE TITLE	TOTAL NUMBER OF NONCORE PERSON RECORDS
ALLOWABLE CODES	00-11 = Total number of noncore person records
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION	Noncore persons are members of a family who are less than 16 years of age. Data on noncore persons include person numbers (F0327-F0347), birthdates (F0348-F0368), relationship to filer (F0369-F0389), and a monthly presence indicator (F0390-F1397). Space has been allocated for up to 21 noncore persons.

F0309-
F0317

INTDATE1-
INTDATE9

VARIABLE TITLE	DATE OF PERIODIC INTERVIEWS, BY PERIODIC
ALLOWABLE CODES	YYDDD = Date of periodic interviews 00000 = Periodic not completed
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION	Nine periodic interviews were administered during the Gary experiment. This variable gives the date of each interview.

VARIABLE TITLE	DATE OF ECONOMIC BASELINE INTERVIEW (YYDDD)
ALLOWABLE CODES	70004-71077 = Range of dates for Econ Baseline Interview
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION	The Econ Baseline was administered as part of the enrollment procedure and data were used to stratify households into experimental cells crucial to the experiment. The interview was administered between July, 1970 through November, 1970.

F0327-
F0347

NCPNUM1-
NCPNUM21

VARIABLE TITLE	PERSON NUMBER, EACH NONCORE, MAXIMUM OF 21 PERSONS
ALLOWABLE CODES	nnnnnn = Person number of each noncore 000000 = Not as many noncore persons as field positions allowed
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION	As in the person numbers for the principal male and principal female, the first four digits of the noncore person number are identical to the family number of which the noncore was first a member. The last two digits are a unique identifier for each noncore.

F0348-
F0368

NCDOB1-
NCDPB21

VARIABLE TITLE	BIRTHDATE, EACH NONCORE (YYMM)
ALLOWABLE CODES	YYMM = Year and month of each noncore's birthdate 9999 = Not as many noncore persons as field positions allowed
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION	The year and month of each noncore's birthdate was imputed from IFDEM-HCOMP variables which gave the age of each noncore for each of the months in which a noncore was a member of a family. In the IFDEM file, month one was January, 1971. If a noncore's age in month 7 was 5 years and in month 8 was 6 years, the birth month was month 7 (July, 1971).

F0369-
F0389

NCREL1-
NCREL21

VARIABLE TITLE: RELATIONSHIP TO FILER CODE, EACH NONCORE

ALLOWABLE CODES

01 = Filer
02 = Spouse
03 = Son
04 = Daughter
05 = Parent
06 = Grandparent
07 = Uncle
08 = Aunt
09 = Nephew
10 = Niece
11 = Adopted or legal guardian
12 = No relation
13 = Foster child
14 = Grandson
15 = Granddaughter
16 = Great granddaughter
17 = Great grandson
18 = Mother-in-law
19 = Father-in-law
20 = Son-in-law
21 = Daughter-in-law
22 = Sister-in-law
23 = Brother-in-law
24 = Sister
25 = Brother
26 = Cousin
27 = Great-nephew
28 = Great-niece
29 = Stepson
30 = Stepdaughter
31 = Godchild
32 = Ward son
33 = Ward daughter
00 = Not as many noncores as field positions allowed
94 = Missing data

VARIABLE DESCRIPTION: Relationship codes for each noncore reflects relationship to the filer of a Gary family.

F0390-
F1397

NCP11-
NCP2148

VARIABLE TITLE	MONTHLY PRESENCE INDICATOR FOR EACH NONCORE
ALLOWABLE CODES	00 = Not as many noncore persons as field positions allow 01 = Moved 02 = Born 03 = Married 04 = Died 05 = Penal institution 06 = Mental hospital 07 = Hospital 08 = Separation or divorce 09 = Military 10 = School 11 = Moved out 12 = Dropped from program 13 = Family dropped from program 14 = Original enrollment 15 = Dropped from program administratively 16 = Change in head of household 17 = New enrollment--high income 18 = Duplicate person 19 = No such person 97 = Months before enrollment
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION	For each of the 48 months and for a maximum of 21 noncore persons the monthly presence indicator tells why a noncore entered or left or remained with a Gary family.

VARIABLE TITLE	MONTHLY TOWNSHIP TRUSTEE INCOME, DOLLARS, FROM ECON BASE
ALLOWABLE CODES	0000 = No dollars received 0018-9000 = Dollars received 9993 = No Econ Base Data 9994 = Missing data
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION	This variable shows the "normal" monthly amount of dollar assistance the family received from the Township Trustee. Other types of Township Trustee assistance--in-kind aid, help with food stamps, rent, etc.--are not reflected. The amount is as of the time of the Econ Baseline.
TEXT DESCRIPTION	The respondent, normally the household head, was asked "Do you or any of your family living with you receive assistance from the township trustee?" If the response was positive, he/she was then asked: "How often do you receive this: (0) every week; (1) every two weeks; (2) every month?" and "How much is this particular income usually?" The amount was collected in dollars.
VARIABLE DERIVATION	The dollar amounts reported were used as given when the interval was monthly, or converted to a monthly amount by multiplying by 4 (where interval was weekly) or 2 (where interval was every two weeks). In a few cases where an interviewer wrote down 98, the response could have been an amount received or a missing data code--there was no way to tell which was correct. For those cases, the item was retained as a missing data code.
COMMENTS	This variable reflects only direct financial assistance from the Township Trustee; a few cases may have been omitted as the 98 responses was considered a missing data code. Other variables showing Township Trustee assistance are listed by subject in Appendix D.

VARIABLE TITLE	MONTHLY SOCIAL SECURITY INCOME, DOLLARS, FROM ECON BASE
ALLOWABLE CODES	0000 = No dollars received 0014-9000 = Dollar amount 9993 = No Econ Base Data 9994 = Missing data
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION	This variable shows the family's normal monthly amount received from Social Security as of the time of the Econ Baseline.
TEXT DESCRIPTION	The respondent, usually the household head, was asked: "I'm going to read several sources of income other than wages or salaries. Please tell me if you or any one in your family is receiving income from any of these. IF R SAYS "YES" TO ANY ONE OF THESE ASK: How much is that?" The item was listed as "Social Security Payments" and the amount was collected in dollars.
VARIABLE DERIVATION	The reported amount was used without further adjustment.
COMMENTS	Though the interview did not specify a time interval for receipt of Social Security payments, the responses seemed to be monthly amounts. Other variables showing Social Security receipt are listed by subject in Appendix D.

VARIABLE TITLE	MONTHLY VETERANS ADMINISTRATION INCOME, DOLLARS, FROM ECON BASE
ALLOWABLE CODES	0000 = No dollars received 0023-0282 = Dollars received 9993 = No Econ Base Data 9994 = Missing data
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION	This variable gives the dollar amount normally received by the family, or by family members, from the Veterans Administration, as reported on the Econ Baseline.
TEXT DESCRIPTION	The respondent, usually the household head, was asked: "I'm going to read several sources of income other than wages or salaries. Please tell me if you or anyone in your family is receiving income from any of these. IF R SAYS "YES" TO ANY ONE OF THESE ASK: How much is that?" The item was listed as "Veterans Administration Payments" and the amount was collected in dollars.
VARIABLE DERIVATION	The reported amount was used without alteration.
COMMENTS	Though the interview did not specify a time interval for receipt of VA income, the responses seemed to be monthly amounts. Other VA income variables are listed by subject in Appendix D.

VARIABLE TITLE	MONTHLY INCOME FROM ASSETS, PROPERTY, FAMILY BUSINESS, DOLLARS, FROM ECON BASE
ALLOWABLE CODES	0000 = No dollars 0047-9000 = Dollar amount received 9993 = No Econ Base Data 9994 = Missing data
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION	This variable gives a monthly amount of family income from rental of rooms or property, profits from a family business, or interest from business investments, as reported on the Econ Baseline.
TEXT DESCRIPTION	The respondent, usually the household head, was asked: "Do you or any members of your family have an income from the rental of rooms or property, profits from a family business, or interest from business investments such as playing the stock market?" If the response was positive, the person was asked: "How much does this pay you?" and "How often do you receive this amount" (1) Once a week; (2) Once every two weeks; (3) Twice a month; (4) Once a month; (5) Every 3 months; (6) Every 6 months; (7) Once a year.
VARIABLE DERIVATION	The amount reported was converted to a monthly amount.
COMMENTS	A comparable variable from periodic interviews is API, F1696-F1743.

VARIABLE TITLE	MONTHLY MISCELLANEOUS NONWAGE INCOME, DOLLARS, FROM ECON BASE
ALLOWABLE CODES	0000 = No dollars received 0001-9000 = Dollars received 9993 = No Econ Base Data 9994 = Missing Data
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION	This variable gives the monthly dollar amount received by the family from a number of different nonwage sources. These amounts are all as of the time of the Econ Baseline.
TEXT DESCRIPTION	The respondent, usually the household head, was asked, "I'm going to read several sources of income other than wages or salaries. Please tell me if you or anyone in your family is receiving income from any of these. IF R SAYS "YES" TO ANY ONE OF THESE ASK: How much is that?" The items used here were listed as: "Foster child payments" and "Any other source of income. Specify." As a result of respondent specification, several distinct categories were distinguishable, including: child support, sick pay, insurance benefits, retirement/pension benefits, and army allotments.
VARIABLE DERIVATION	In most cases, the amounts seemed to be monthly figures. In other cases, notes in the margins of the actual interview indicated a time period for a specific variable. Where such notes appeared, the noted time period was used to convert the item to a monthly amount. Otherwise, amounts were used as reported. Amounts reported were assigned to the categories and those listed above were summed, along with foster child payments, to give a total amount of miscellaneous nonwage income.

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COMMENTS

Child support was often listed as a weekly or bi-weekly figure. Where noted, it was converted to a monthly amount; where not noted, the amounts were assumed to be monthly. Even though it is possible some were weekly rather than monthly there was no way to be sure of this without corroborating notation.

VARIABLE TITLE	MONTHLY UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS, DOLLARS, FROM ECON BASE
ALLOWABLE CODES	0000 = No dollars received 0040-9000 = Dollar amount received 9993 = No Econ Base data 9994 = Missing data
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION	This variable gives the monthly amount the family received in unemployment benefits as of the Econ Baseline.
TEXT DESCRIPTION	The respondent, usually the household head, was asked, "I'm going to read several sources of income other than wages or salaries. Please tell me if you or anyone in your family is receiving income from any of these. IF R SAYS "YES" TO ANY ONE OF THESE ASK: How much is that?" The item wording read: "Unemployment Compensation."
VARIABLE DERIVATION	Unemployment compensation amounts were used as reported unless a notation indicated the interval was not monthly. Where such a notation appeared, the amounts were converted to monthly figures.
COMMENTS	Unemployment compensation was often distributed on the same schedule as the person's pay period. If specific note was not made of the time interval involved, the amount was considered a monthly amount, and some cases may be inaccurate. There were very vew positive responses to this item (under 20). Unemployment pay from employers is shown in the next variable, UMPAYECN, F1405; other unemployment benefit variables on the file are listed by subject in Appendix D.

VARIABLE CODES	MONTHLY UNEMPLOYMENT PAY FROM EMPLOYER, DOLLARS, FROM ECON BASE
ALLOWABLE CODES	0000 = No dollars received 0040-9000 = Dollar amount received 9993 = No Econ Base Data 9994 = Missing data
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION	This variable gives the monthly amount of unemployment pay from an employer received by the family, as reported in the Econ Baseline. Unemployment pay from an employer was apparently a common type of compensation peculiar to many jobs in Gary.
TEXT DESCRIPTION	The respondent, usually the household head, was asked, "I'm going to read several sources of income other than wages or salaries. Please tell me if you or anyone in your family is receiving income from any of these. IF R SY AS "YES" TO ANY ONE OF THESE ASK: How much is that?" The item wording read "Unemployment pay from an employer."
VARIABLE DERIVATION	Unemployment pay from an employer was generally considered as a monthly amount and used as such on the file. In cases where a note in the interview margin indicated a different time period, the amount was converted to a monthly figure.
COMMENTS	Using margin notations for the time period may not have caught all of the non-monthly cases, as unemployment compensation was often distributed on the same schedule as the person's salary. There are very few positive responses (under 15) to this item. Other unemployment pay and benefit variables are listed by subject in Appendix D.

VARIABLE TITLE	MONTHLY WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION, DOLLARS, FROM ECON BASE
ALLOWABLE CODES	0000 = No dollars received 0001-9000 = Dollar amount received 9993 = No Econ Base Data 9994 = Missing data
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION	This variable gives the family's monthly amount of Workmen's Compensation received, as reported in the Econ Baseline.
TEXT DESCRIPTION	The respondent, usually the household head, was asked, "I'm, going to read several sources of income other than wages or salaries. Please tell me if you or anyone in your family is receiving income from any of these. IF R SAYS "YES" TO ANY ONE OF THESE ASK: How much is that?" Workmen's Compensation was a subcategory found under the item. "Any other source of income. Specify."
VARIABLE DERIVATION	The reported amounts were considered as monthly figures unless otherwise noted. If a margin notation indicated a different time period the dollars reported were converted to a monthly amount.
COMMENTS	Since Workmen's Compensation is a standardized program, there is little likelihood of incorrect time periods used. There are no positive responses. Other Workmen's Compensation variables are listed by subject in Appendix D.

VARIABLE TITLE	REVISED FAMILY INCOME FOR 1969, DOLLARS, FROM ECON BASE
ALLOWABLE CODES	00000 = No dollars received 00300-90000 = Dollar amount received 99993 = No Econ Base Data 99994 = Missing data
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION	This variable gives the dollar amount of family income for 1969. Because responses to the question were inconsistent in what income components were included, a great deal of work was done to clear, or revise, the reported amount.
TEXT DESCRIPTION	The last question on the Econ Baseline interview, answered by the household head, was: "What was your family's total 1969 income from all sources, before taxes and other deductions were removed?"
VARIABLE DERIVATION	Unfortunately, total family income was calculated quite differently among families, as was seen by examining the responses in relation to the rest of the interview. In some instances, the total income equalled the personal income of one of the respondents (usually the head of the household) while failing to account for any other sources of income. Elsewhere, the total income was the sum of personal incomes, not taking into account the nonwage income sources. Still other cases presented the total income as the sum of nonwage sources only. Finally, in some cases, the total was the sum of personal and nonwage income. Extensive work was done to try to standardize the variable to include, in the end, all sources of income, personal and family, wage and nonwage. The data were cleaned as deemed necessary, and summed as seemed reasonable in light of the family's work and unemployment situation(s). The interviews themselves were consulted, and handwritten marginal notes or comments were used in deriving the total amount for a family; amounts were converted to annual amounts where necessary; dollars and cents values were changed to dollars; arithmetical errors in summation were corrected, and so on. The variable given here is the final revised figure for total 1969 income.

VARIABLE TITLE	SSI (BLIND, DISABLED, OLD AGE ASSISTANCE) INCOME, DOLLARS, MONTHS 1-48, FROM PERIODICS
ALLOWABLE CODES	0000 = No dollar amount reported 0001-9991 = Dollar amount received 9993 = Family has no periodic income data 9994 = Missing data 9999 = Family attrited, or after P9 interview
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION	This variable shows, for each of the 48 months covered by periodic interviews, the dollar amount of Supplemental Security Income (SSI)--earlier called Blind, Disabled, and Old Age Assistance--received by the family and reported in periodic interviews.
TEXT DESCRIPTION	Respondent. The respondent for interview questions on SSI income was always the filer. Universe. In P1, P2, and P6, the amount received from SSI was asked for the family as a whole; in P3-P5 and P7-P9, the question was asked of the filer for each SSI recipient. Wording. SSI as an income source was always addressed on a list of several possible nonwage income sources. In P1-P6, the three component categories of blind, disabled, and old age assistance were considered as separate items on the list; in P7-P9 the wording was changed so that Supplemental Security Income was asked as a single income source. In all periodics the respondent was first asked whether he/she or anyone else in the family received any income from this source in the period covered by the interview. If the response was positive, he/she was asked for the dollar mount received in each month. As indicated above, the amount was sometimes asked for the entire family and sometimes asked for each recipient.
VARIABLE DERIVATION	For months covered by P1-P6, amounts reported for each of the three component items were aggregated for each month.

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VARIABLE DERIVATION (cont'd)	Further, for months in which the dollar amounts were collected by person, the amounts were aggregated across all recipients in the family for each month. The amounts thus arrived at for each month were assigned to the correct month.
COMMENTS	Because the amounts were collected for different universes across periodics, and because, where they were asked by person, the filer answered for each recipient--rather than the recipient answering for him/herself--the data are not strictly comparable across periodics. Other SSI variables on the file are listed by subject in Appendix D.

VARIABLE TITLE

TOWNSHIP TRUSTEE INCOME, DOLLARS, MONTHS 1-48 FROM PERIODICS

ALLOWABLE CODES

0000 = No dollars
0008-0696 = Dollar amount received
9993 = Family has no periodic income data
9994 = Missing data
9999 = Family attrited, or month after P9 interview

VARIABLE DESCRIPTION

This variable shows, for each of the 48 months covered by periodic interviews, the dollar amount of assistance from the Township Trustee received in each month by the family and reported in periodic interviews. Township Trustee assistance is a local type of aid available on an emergency basis to persons or families ineligible for other assistance programs.

TEXT DESCRIPTION

Respondent. The respondent for interview questions on Township Trustee income was always the filer.

Universe. In P1, P2, and P6, the amount received from the Township Trustee was asked for the family as a whole; in P3-P5 and P7-P9, the question was asked of the filer for each recipient.

Wording. The Township Trustee as an income source was always addressed on a list of several possible income sources. Four categories of assistance from the Township Trustee were considered: (1) rent assistance; (2) food assistance; (3) assistance with utility bills; and (4) other assistance from the Township Trustee.

Variations in these categories were few: In P4, the category of rent assistance was omitted; in P5-P9, the category "food assistance" was changed to read "food stamp assistance."

In all periodics, the respondent was first asked whether he/she or anyone else in the family received income from this source in the time covered by the periodic. If the response was positive, he/she was

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TEXT DESCRIPTION (cont'd)	asked for the dollar amount received in each month. As indicated above, the amount was sometimes asked for the family as a whole and sometimes asked for each recipient.
VARIABLE DERIVATION	The amounts reported for each of the categories of assistance were aggregated by month. For months in which the dollar amounts were collected by person, the amounts were then aggregated across all recipients in the family for each month. The amounts thus arrived at for each month were assigned to the appropriate months.
COMMENTS	The changes in the universe for this item mean that the data are not strictly comparable across periodics. Fluctuations in the number of responses and amounts reported may also reflect the emergency nature of this type of assistance. Other variables showing Township Trustee assistance are listed by subject in Appendix D.

F1504 -
F1551

FSVAL1-
FSVAL48

VARIABLE TITLE

FOOD STAMPS, FACE VALUE, DOLLARS, MONTHS 1-48, FROM PERIODICS

ALLOWABLE CODES

0000 = No dollar value reported
0004-0712 = Dollar amount of face value
9993 = Family has no periodic income data
9994 = Missing data
9999 = Family attrited, or month after P9 interview

VARIABLE DESCRIPTION

This variable shows, for each of the 48 months covered by periodic interviews, the dollar amount of the face value (or purchasing power) of food stamps received by the family and reported in periodic interviews.

TEXT DESCRIPTION

Respondent. In P1-P4, the filer answered all Food Stamp questions. In P5-P9, the filer responded for him/herself and for all persons under 16, while each person 16 or older responded for him/herself.

Universe. In P1 and P2, Food Stamp questions were asked for the family as a whole; in P3-P4 they were asked of the filer for each person; in P5-P9 they were asked of each adult for him/herself, and of the filer for each person under 16.

Wording. In P1-P4 Food Stamps were addressed on the list of several possible nonwage income sources. In P5-P9 questions about Food Stamps appeared near the end of the labor supply core questions, and were thus asked of each person 16 or older; as a further check, the filer was also asked about Food Stamp receipt by anyone under 16.

In all cases, the respondent was asked about receipt of Food Stamps. If the response was positive, the dollar amount of both the face value and the amount paid for the stamps was then asked for each month covered by the interview.

VARIABLE DERIVATION

For months covered by P1 and P2 the amounts reported for the face value of Food Stamps were simply assigned to the appropriate months.

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VARIABLE DERIVATION (cont'd)	For months covered by the rest of the periodics the amounts reported were summed across all recipients in each month, then assigned to the correct months.
COMMENTS	Because of the changes in respondent and in the universe covered, these data are not strictly comparable across periodics. The face falue variable may be used with the amount paid variable (FSAMT, F1552-F1599) to obtain the bonus value of the stamps: the amount paid is subtracted from the face value for the bonus value (or net value) of the stamps in each month. Other Food Stamp value variables are listed by subject in Appendix D.

F1552-
F1599

FSAMT1-
FSAMT48

VARIABLE TITLE	FOOD STAMPS, AMOUNT PAID, DOLLARS, MONTHS 1-48, FROM PERIODICS
ALLOWABLE CODES	0000 = No amount paid reported 0001-2105 = Dollar amount paid 9993 = Family has no periodic income data 9994 = Missing data 9999 = Family attrited, or month after P9 interview
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION	This variable shows, for each of the 48 months covered by periodic interviews, the dollar amount paid by the family for Food Stamps as reported in periodic interviews.
TEXT DESCRIPTION	The respondent, universe, and wording are all as described in the preceding variable description, FSVAL, F1504-F1551.
VARIABLE DERIVATION	The variable was derived in the same manner as the preceding variable, FSVAL. The amount used was what the family reported having paid for the Food Stamps received in each month.
COMMENTS	Because of the changes in respondent and in the universe covered, these data are not strictly comparable across periodics. This variable may be subtracted from the face value for any given month to arrive at the bonus (net) value of the family's Food Stamps. Other Food Stamp variables are listed by subject in Appendix D.

VARIABLE TITLE

SOCIAL SECURITY INCOME, DOLLARS, MONTHS 1-48, FROM PERIODICS

ALLOWABLE CODES

0000 = No dollars reported
0010-1124 = Dollar amount reported
9993 = Family has no periodic income data
9994 = Missing data
9999 = Family attrited, or month after P9 interview

VARIABLE DESCRIPTION

This variable shows, for each of the 48 months covered by periodic interviews, the dollar amount of Social Security income received by the family and reported in periodic interviews.

TEXT DESCRIPTION

Respondent. In P1-P4, the filer answered all Social Security questions; in P5-P9, each person 16 or over was asked about Social Security receipt and income.

Universe. In P1 and P2, the amount received from Social Security was asked for the family as a whole; in P3 and P4, it was asked of the filer for each recipient; and in P5-P9 it was asked of each adult recipient for him/herself.

Wording. In P1-P4, Social Security as a possible source of nonwage income, was listed along with several other such sources. In P5-P9, Social Security questions were shifted to the end of the labor supply series of questions asked of each person 16 or older.

In all cases, the respondent was first asked about receipt of Social Security income during the period covered by the interview. If the response was positive, the dollar amount received was asked for each month covered.

VARIABLE DERIVATION

For P1 and P2 the amounts reported for Social Security income were simply assigned to the appropriate months.

For months covered by the rest of the periodics, the amounts were summed across all recipients in each month, then assigned to the correct month.

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COMMENTS

Because of changes in respondent and universe covered, the data are not strictly comparable across periodics. The STATS, however, show little fluctuation in either the number of positive responses or the mean amounts reported across time.

Other Social Security amounts on the file are listed by subject in Appendix D.

VARIABLE TITLE

VETERANS ADMINISTRATION INCOME, DOLLARS, MONTHS 1-48, FROM PERIODICS

ALLOWABLE CODES

0000 = No dollar amount reported
0014-0590 = Dollar amount received
9993 = Family has no periodic income data
9994 = Missing data
9999 = Family attrited, or month after P9 interview

VARIABLE DESCRIPTION

This variable shows, for each of the 48 months covered by the periodic interviews, the dollar amount of income from the Veterans Administration which was received by the family and reported in the periodic interviews.

TEXT DESCRIPTION

Respondent. The respondent for interview questions on Veterans Administration income was always the filer.

Universe. In P1, P2, and P6, the amounts of VA income were asked for the family as a whole; in P3-P5 and P7-P9 they were asked for each recipient of VA income.

Wording. The Veterans Administration as an income source was always addressed on a list of several possible nonwage income sources. If the respondent indicated income from "veterans survivors or disability benefits," he/she was asked for the dollar amount received in each month covered by the periodic.

As noted above, the amount was sometimes given for the entire family and sometimes given for each recipient.

VARIABLE DERIVATION

For months covered by P1, P2, and P6, the family amounts received were simply assigned to the appropriate months.

For all other periodics, the amounts reported were summed across all recipients of VA income for each month. This aggregate amount was then assigned to the appropriate month on the family record.

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COMMENTS

Though the data are not strictly comparable across periodics, due to differences in the universe addressed, neither the frequency of responses nor the mean amounts reported fluctuate drastically across time.

Other VA amounts on the file are listed by subject in Appendix D.

VARIABLE TITLE

ASSETS AND PROPERTY INCOME, DOLLARS, MONTHS 1-48, FROM PERIODICS

ALLOWABLE CODES

0000 = No dollars reported
0001-0800 = Dollar amount received
9993 = Family has no periodic income data
9994 = Missing data
9999 = Family attrited, or month after P9 interview

VARIABLE DESCRIPTION

This variable shows, for each of the 48 months covered by the periodic interviews, the dollar amount of family income from such sources as interest, dividends, and rent, as reported on periodic interviews.

TEXT DESCRIPTION

Respondent. The respondent for questions on assets and property income was always the filer.

Universe. These questions were always asked for the family as a whole.

Wording. Assets and property income was always asked on a special grid including only this type of income. Several categories of income were specified: (1) interest or dividends from bank accounts; (2) interest or dividends from stocks, bonds, mutual funds, or other securities; (3) rent from roomers; (4) rent from property other than the house that you live in; (5) other business investments.

In P5-P9 the last item (other business investments) was omitted, and the third item was expanded to read "rent from roomers or the house you live in." The other categories retained the earlier wording.

The respondent was asked whether he/she or anyone else in the family received any income from these sources. Each positive response elicited further questions on the total amount received by the family in each month from each of these sources.

VARIABLE DERIVATION

The amounts reported were summed across categories for each month and assigned to that month on the family record.

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COMMENTS	The only comparable variable on the file is the Econ Base variable ASSETECN, F1401.

COMMENTS (cont'd)

to the question starting in the fifth periodic--listing items not to include--along with the great change in frequency of response imply that these types of income were included in "other" income in the earlier periodics.

TEXT DESCRIPTION (cont'd)

other than Social Security (Do not include Social Security here); (2) alimony or child support not including AFDC; (3) inheritances, gifts, or help from relatives, friends, or private organizations; (4) payments for foster child, job training, or GI Bill; (5) earnings of children under 16 years of age, don't count money earned from other members of the family who are over 16; (6) any insurance benefits, that is, death benefits, private disability benefits, health, auto (amount of settlement not used for repairs, accidents, etc.)

In P6-P9, further, the last item on insurance, read: "Any insurance benefits, that is, death benefits, private disability benefits, health benefits, or automobile accident settlements (do not count money from an insurance company or someone involved in the accident that only paid for the repair of your car)."

The respondent was asked about receipt of benefits from each of these items in turn. Any positive response led to a question on the amount of money received each month covered by the periodic. As noted above, the amounts were sometimes collected by family and sometimes by person.

VARIABLE DERIVATION

The amounts reported were : (1) summed across recipients in each month; (2) summed across each of these items showing a positive amount.

The final amount reached for each month was assigned to that month on the family record.

COMMENTS

These items were aggregated into one "miscellaneous" variable because no single one of them had many positive responses consistently. The STATS indicate a fair amount of fluctuation in both number of responses and amounts received across months, which reflects the type of income(s) included.

Other similar variables are listed by subject in Appendix D.

VARIABLE TITLE

MISCELLANEOUS NONWAGE INCOME, DOLLARS, MONTHS 1-48, FROM PERIODICS

ALLOWABLE CODES

0000 = No dollars reported
0005-2090 = Dollar amount reported
9993 = Family has no periodic income data
9994 = Missing data
9999 = Family attrited, or month after P9 interview

VARIABLE DESCRIPTION

This variable is a catch-all variable which shows, for each of the 48 months covered by the periodic interviews the dollar amount received by the family from an aggregate of sources as reported on the periodic interviews.

TEXT DESCRIPTION

Respondent. The filer was the respondent for all the items included in this variable.

Universe. In P1, P2, and P6, the questions on amounts received were asked for the family as whole; in P3-P5 and P7-P9, they were asked of the filer for each recipient.

Wording. Responses to a number of different items were included in this variable; all of the items included were among those listed as possible sources of nonwage income.

The items included remained basically the same throughout, with slight wording changes. In P1-P4, the items were listed as: (1) other retirement pay, pensions, and/or annuities; (2) alimony; (3) child support not included in ADC; (4) help from relatives, friends, or other private organizations; (5) foster child payments; (6) payments from private disability plans; (7) pay for job training and GI Bill; (8) inheritance; (9) life insurance death benefits; (10) earnings of children under 16 years of age, not counting money earned from other members of the family; and (11) other insurance benefits, i.e., health, accident, auto, etc.--amount of settlement not used for repairs.

In P5-P9 the item wording was, in some cases, altered, to read: (1) retirement pay, pensions, and/or annuities

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VARIABLE TITLE

OTHER UNSPECIFIED INCOME, DOLLARS, MONTHS 1-48, FROM PERIODICS

ALLOWABLE CODES

0000 = No dollar amount reported
0001-0988 = Dollar amount reported
9993 = Family has no periodic income data
9994 = Missing data
9999 = Family attrited, or month after P9 interview

VARIABLE DESCRIPTION

This variable shows, for each of the 48 months covered in the periodic interviews, the dollar amounts received by the family from "other", or unspecified sources, as reported in the periodic interviews.

TEXT DESCRIPTION

Respondent. The respondent for this item was always the filer.

Universe. In P1, P2, and P6, the question was asked for the family as a whole; in P3-P5 and P7-P9, the question was asked of the filer for each recipient.

Wording. The last item in the list of possible nonwage income sources was always a probe for any not-yet-discussed source of income. In P1-P4 the filer was simply asked about "Anything else?" and, if the response was positive, asked for the amount received by month.

In P5-P9, the filer was asked about "Other sources of income; please describe each different source. (You should not include NCF /Gary payment/, Social Security AFDC, or Food Stamp income.)" Again, a positive response led to asking the dollar amount.

VARIABLE DERIVATION

The amount reported for each month was assigned to the appropriate month on the file. Where more than one "other" source was cited, the amounts were summed. Where person amounts were collected, the amounts were summed across all recipients in each month.

COMMENTS

The earlier months have a large number of response to this item, while the later months have relatively few responses, as seen on the STATS. The caveat added

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F1840-
F1887

ERNREG1-
ERNREG48

VARIABLE TITLE

JOB EARNINGS, WORKING FOR SOMEONE ELSE, ALL ADULT FAMILY MEMBERS, DOLLARS, MONTHS 1-48, FROM PERIODICS

ALLOWABLE CODES

0000 = No dollars reported
0005-5760 = Dollar amount reported
9993 = Family has no periodic income data
9999 = Family attrited, or month after P9 interview

VARIABLE DESCRIPTION

This variable describes, for each of the 48 months covered by the periodic interviews, the dollar amount earned by family members from regular jobs as reported on the periodic interviews. A regular job is one in which the person works for a company or for someone else on a regular or permanent basis--not on a day-to-day or casual basis; self-employed jobs are excluded from this definition.

TEXT DESCRIPTION

Respondent/Universe. Each person 16 or older responded for him/herself. The questions were asked of persons who were currently employed or had been employed at some time during the interview period, and whose jobs were regular jobs.

Wording. In P1-P3, regular job earnings were asked for up to four jobs; in P4-P9 the maximum number of jobs was three. The earnings question itself underwent some wording changes over time.

In P1-P3 the question read: "How much per month would you say you made on that job before taxes and other deductions?"

A qualification was added to this question in P4 which read: "Please include all wages, tips, commissions, bonuses, etc." and in P5-P6 this qualification became: "Please include all wages, tips, incentive pay, bonuses, etc."

In all of these periodics, the data were collected for each month in the interview period.

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TEXT DESCRIPTION (cont'd)	In P7-P9 the wording was a bit different. The respondent was asked, for each month: "We are interested in how much you received on this job this month. Please include all wages, tips, incentive pay, etc. First, what was your gross pay before taxes and other deductions?"
VARIABLE DERIVATION	The amounts reported for each job for each month were summed; these dollar amounts were then summed across all earners of this type in each month and final amounts were assigned to the appropriate months on the family record.
COMMENTS	Users sould note that this variable excludes earnings from daywork and from self-employment. Other earned income variables on the file are listed by subject in Appendix D.

F1888-
F1935

ERNDW1-
ERNDW48

VARIABLE TITLE

DAYWORKER EARNINGS, ALL ADULT FAMILY MEMBERS, DOLLARS, MONTHS 1-48, FROM PERIODICS

ALLOWABLE CODES

0000 = No dollars reported
0010-0960 = Dollar amount reported
9993 = Family has no periodic income data
9999 = Family attrited, or month after P9 interview

VARIABLE DESCRIPTION

This variable describes, for each of the 48 months covered by the periodic interviews, the dollar amount earned by family members from daywork.

TEXT DESCRIPTION

Respondent/Universe. Each person 16 or older responded for him/herself. The questions were asked of persons who were currently employed or had been employed at some time during the interview period as dayworkers.

Wording. In P1-P3, dayworker earnings were asked for up to three jobs; in P4-P9 the maximum number of jobs was three. The wording underwent one major revision over time.

In P1-P4, daywork was considered "working on a day-to-day basis for different people." For each job fitting this description, the respondent was asked for: (1) the average number of weeks worked as a dayworker in each month, and (2) the average earnings per week as a dayworker in each month.

In P5-P9 daywork could be any one of the three following items: work on a day-to-day basis for a place like Manpower, Inc.; doing odd jobs from time to time for different people; clean house for different people. The earnings question, asked for each month of this type of job, was: "How much income did you receive this month before taxes and other deductions? Include wages, tips, incentive pay or bonuses."

VARIABLE DERIVATION

For P1-P4, the average number of weeks worked in each month was multipled by the average earnings per week for each month of daywork. The amount thus obtained was summed across all dayworkers in each month.

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VARIABLE DERIVATION (cont'd)	For P5-P9, the average number of weeks worked in each month of daywork were summed across all dayworkers for that month.
COMMENTS	The number of responses to this item is very small--no month has over 20 responses, and most have fewer. Other earnings variables and items specific to daywork are listed in Appendix D.

F1936-
F1983

ERNCAS1-
ERNCAS48

VARIABLE TITLE	ODD JOB INCOME, ALL ADULT FAMILY MEMBERS, DOLLARS, MONTHS 1-48, FROM PERIODICS
ALLOWABLE CODES	0000 = No dollars reported 0002-0979 = Dollar amount reported 9993 = Family has no periodic income data 9999 = Family attrited, or month after P9 interview
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION	This variable shows, for each of the 48 months covered by periodic interviews, the dollar amount of family earnings from odd jobs as reported in the periodic interviews.
TEXT DESCRIPTION	Respondent/Universe. Each person 16 or older responded for him/herself. Wording. Each person was asked whether, in the time period covered by that interview, they had received any income from "jobs like babysitting, doing chores for someone, fixing or repairing something, or any other job you may have done from time to time." If the person indicated they had, he/she was asked for "about how much you made from this type of income" for each month covered. The question was the same from P1 through P9.
VARIABLE DERIVATION	The amounts reported were summed across recipients in each month. This sum was then assigned to the appropriate month on the family record.
COMMENTS	Responses to this item are few--never more than 23 in any month. Odd job earnings are not specifically identified elsewhere on the family record. They appear on the person record in OJINC1-48, P0624-P0671.

F1984-
F2031

UECOMP1-
UECOMP48

VARIABLE TITLE

UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION/SUPPLEMENTAL UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS, ALL ADULT FAMILY MEMBERS, DOLLARS, MONTHS 1-48, FROM PERIODICS

ALLOWABLE CODES

0000 = No dollars reported
0003-0576 = Dollar amount reported
9993 = Family has no periodic income data
9999 = Family attrited, or month after P9 interview

VARIABLE DESCRIPTION

This variable shows, for each of the 48 months covered by the periodic interviews, the dollar amount received by the family for unemployment compensation, and, where asked, supplmental unemployment benefits, all as reported in the periodic interviews.

TEXT DESCRIPTION

Because this variable is a component of two distinct sets of questions, the two items are discussed separately.

Unemployment Compensation

Respondent/Universe. Each person 16 or older responded for him/herself. The questions were asked of everyone who said they had received unemployment compensation during the interview period.

Wording. In P1-P4, the respondent was asked for: (1) the month and year he/she first received unemployment conpensation; (2) the amount received per week; (3) the date(s) of any change(s) in amounts along with the new amounts received per week.

These questions were asked early in the interview of persons not in the labor force at the time of the interview, and late in the interview of persons who were currently working. A few cases for which an incorrect skip pattern was given in P1-P3, leading to ommission of an end date for receipt of unemployment compensation, were assigned an NA code.

In P5-P9, the respondent was asked for: (1) the amount received per week; (2) the number of weeks the beenfit was received; (3) the date(s) of any change(s) and the new amount(s) per week.

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TEXT DESCRIPTION

Unemployment Compensation (cont'd)

In all periodics, beginning and end dates were obtained for "past periods not working"--that is, periods of unemployment not including the current spell of unemployment.

Supplemental Unemployment Benefits

Respondent/Universe. Each person 16 or older answered for him/herself. The questions were asked in P5-P9 of persons who said they had received supplemental unemployment benefits during the interview period.

Wording. The question was not asked at all in P1-P4.

In P5-P9, the information collected was: (1) the amount of supplemental unemployment benefits received per week; (2) the number of weeks the benefit was received; (3) the date(s) of any change(s) in amount and the new amount(s).

VARIABLE DERIVATION

Where possible, the start date given for a past period not working was used as the state date for receipt of the benefit. Where this was not given, the start date was the first day of the first month in which the benefit was received.

Using the data on weekly amounts received, and change(s) in amount(s), an average weekly benefit amount was calculated. This amount was prorated to each appropriate month, from the start date on, until the number of weeks for which the benefit was received was exhausted.

The monthly amounts were summed across the the two types of benefit, then across all recipients in a month. The final amounts thus obtained were assigned to the appropriate months on the family record.

COMMENTS

The STATS show few responses to this item. Aside from a short period in which over 100 cases appear, the frequency of response is normally under 20.

Other variables concerning unemployment benefits are listed by subject in Appendix D.

F2032-
F2079

STRIKE1-
STRIKE48

VARIABLE TITLE

STRIKE BENEFITS AND WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION, DOLLARS PER MONTH, MONTHS 1-48

ALLOWABLE CODES

0000 = No dollars reported
0002-0901 = Dollar amount reported
9993 = Family has no periodic income data
9999 = Family attrited, or months after P9 interview

VARIABLE DESCRITPION

This variable shows, for each of the 48 months covered by the periodic interviews, the dollar amount received by the family for strike benefits and Workmen's Compensation as reported on periodic interviews.

TEXT DESCRIPTION

The two benefit types are described separately below:

Strike Benefits

Respondent/Universe. Each person 16 or older responded

Wording. In P1-P4, questions on strike benefits were asked only of persons currently out on strike. Data collected included: (1) the date the person went out on strike; (2) the number of weeks strike benefits were received; and (3) the average weekly amount received.

In P5-P9, the data were not collected for persons presently on strike. The start date for any past period not working was asked and used for this variable. Anyone reporting receipt of strike benefits was further asked for: (1) the weekly amount received; (2) the number of weeks the benefit was received; and (3) the date of any change in the amount, along with the new amount received.

Workmen's Compensation

Respondent. In P1-P4, each person 16 or older responded to questions on this item, In P5, no Workmen's Compensation data were asked. In P6-P9, the item was moved to the nonwage income list, and the filer responded.

Universe. In P1-P4, each person answered for him/herself. P5 omitted these questions entirely. In P6, the filer responded for the family as a whole. In P7-P9, the filer responded for each person 16 or older.

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TEXT DESCRIPTION

Workmen's Compensation

Wording. In P1-P4, any person reporting receipt of Workmen's Compensation was asked for the amount received in each month of the interview period.

In P5 the item was entirely omitted.

In P6-P9, Workmen's Compensation was treated along with other sources of nonwage income. The filer was asked whether he/she or anyone else in the family received Workmen's Compensation. If the response was positive, the monthly dollar amount as asked. As noted, the amount was sometimes by family and sometimes by person.

VARIABLE DERIVATION

Amounts received as strike benefits were weekly amounts. These were prorated, beginning with the date the strike began (P1-P4) or the start date of the unemployment period, and ending when the reported number of weeks of payments were exhausted.

Workmen's Compensation amounts being monthly, were assigned to the appropriate months.

The two categories were summed, and this amount then summed across all recipients in each month.

COMMENTS

There are many differences over periodics in the manner of data collection for this variable.

There are very few responses to this variable (usually three to seven). In months when Workmen's Compensation was not asked, there are no responses at all, implying that most of the responses that do appear indicate receipt or Workmen's Compensation rather than strike benefits.

Other variables benefit sources are listed by subject in Appendix D.

F2082-
F2124

SSIX0-
SSIX42

VARIABLE TITLE	SSI (BLIND, DISABLED, OLD AGE ASSISTANCE) INCOME, DOLLARS, MONTHS 0-42, FROM IRFS
ALLOWABLE CODES	00000 = No dollars or missing data 00001-90000 = Dollar amount 99995 = IRF should have been filed but data not available 99997 = Data not collected for this month (before or after filing period) 99999 = Family was attrited
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION	This variable gives the family amount of SSI income by month, for a maximum of 36 months, as reported on Income Report Forms. For earlier months this figure is a sum of Blind, Disabled, and Old Age Assistance.
TEXT DESCRIPTION	See figure 6 in the IRF overview. Note that Supplemental Security Income, Blind Assistance, Old Age Assistance, and Disability Assistance are all asked separately. The three component categories were left on the file even after the program name changed, to minimize filer confusion. The filer always responded for the family as a whole.
VARIABLE DERIVATION	Amounts reported separately for Blind, Disabled, and Old Age Assistance were summed for each month, and converted to the nearest dollar.
COMMENTS	See Appendix D for comparable variables in other sections of the file.

F2080

MTH1

VARIABLE TITLE	FIRST MONTH OF IRF FILING PERIOD
ALLOWABLE CODES	00-48 = Month, with 0 being December 1970
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION	This variable indicates the first month for which IRF data were collected for a family
COMMENTS	Along with MTH2, F2081, this variable shows the boundaries of the family's IRF filing period. No account was taken of attrited or informally dropped families: this filing period is simply that originally designed.

F2081

MTH2

VARIABLE TITLE	LAST MONTH OF IRF FILING PERIOD
ALLOWABLE CODES	30-42 = Month, with 42 being June 1974
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION	This variable indicates the thirty-sixth month after the family's first IRF month, or (for late-enrolled families) month 42.
COMMENTS	This variable shows, along with MTH1, F2080, the family's IRF-filing period. For most families the last month will be 36 months after the first IRF, but for others which enrolled relatively late in the experiment, the cut-off month, month 42, or June 1974, was the last month. The filing period shown here does not take into account attrited or informally dropped families.

VARIABLE TITLE	TOWNSHIP TRUSTEE INCOME, DOLLARS, MONTHS 0-42, FROM IRFS
ALLOWABLE CODES	00000 = No dollars or missing data 00004-00500 = Dollar amount 99995 = IRF should have been filed, but data not available 99997 = Data not collected for this month 99999 = Family has attrited
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION	This variable gives the family amount of income from the Township Trustee, for a maximum of 36 months, as reported on Income Report Forms. Township Trustee Assistance is a local type of aid available on an emergency basis to families or persons ineligible for other assistance programs.
TEXT DESCRIPTION	See figure 6 in the overview to IRF variables. The filer always responded for the family as a whole.
VARIABLE DERIVATION	The amount reported was converted to the nearest dollar.
COMMENTS	There are relatively few responses here--no more than 50 in any one month. This may reflect the emergency nature of the aid. Also, some in-kind aid may not show up. See Appendix D for comparable variables elsewhere on the file.

VARIABLE TITLE	FOOD STAMPS, FACE VALUE, DOLLARS, MONTHS, 0-42, FROM IRFS
ALLOWABLE CODES	00000 = No dollars, or missing data 00001-90000 = Dollar amount 99995 = IRF should have been filed but data not available 99997 = Data not collected for this month 99999 = Family has attrited
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION	This variable gives the face value, or purchasing power, of the family's food stamps for a maximum of 36 months, as reported on Income Report Forms.
TEXT DESCRIPTION	See figure 6 in the overview to IRF variables. Note that the question reads "Total dollars worth of groceries that can be bought with the FOOD STAMPS paid for this month." The filer responded for the family as a whole.
VARIABLE DERIVATION	Amounts were converted to the nearest dollar.
COMMENTS	To obtain the amount of the bonsu, subtract the amount paid (FSAMTX, F2211-F2253) from the amount of purchasing power. See Appendix D for comparable variables elsewhere on the file.

VARIABLE TITLE	FOOD STAMPS, AMOUNT PAID, DOLLARS, MONTHS 0-42, FROM IRFS
ALLOWABLE CODES	00000 = No dollars, or missing data 00001-00640 = Dollar amount 99995 = IRF should have been filed, but data not available 99997 = Data not collected for this month 99999 = Family has attrited
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION	This variable gives the total amount paid by the family for Food Stamps as reported on Income Report Forms. There is a maximum of 36 months of data for any one family.
TEXT DESCRIPTION	See figure 6 in the overview to IRF variables. The filer responded for the family as a whole.
VARIABLE DERIVATION	Amounts were converted to the nearest dollar.
COMMENTS	This amount may be subtracted from that reported in the previous variable (FSVALX, F2168-F2210) for the bonus value. See Appendix D for a list of other Food Stamp variables on the file.

F2254-
F2296

SOCSCX0-
SOCSCX42

VARIABLE TITLE	SOCIAL SECURITY INCOME, DOLLARS, MONTHS 0-42, FROM IRFS
ALLOWABLE CODES	00000 = No dollars, or missing data 00011-03921 = Dollar amount 99995 = IRF should have been filed, but data not available 99997 = Data not collected for this month 99999 = Family has attrited
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION	This variable gives the family amount of Social Security income by month, for a maximum of 36 months, as reported on Income Report Forms.
TEXT DESCRIPTION	See figure 6 in the overview to IRF variables. The filer always answered for the family as a whole.
VARIABLE DERIVATION	Amounts reported were converted to the nearest dollar.
COMMENTS	See Appendix D for Social Security income variables elsewhere on the file.

F2297-
F2339

VAX0-
VAX42

VARIABLE TITLE	VETERANS ADMINISTRATION INCOME, DOLLARS, MONTHS 0-42, FROM IRFS
ALLOWABLE CODES	00000 = No dollars, or missing data 00006-29700 = Dollar amount 99995 = IRF should have been filed, but data not available 99997 = Data not collected for this month 99999 = Family has attrited
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION	This variable gives the family amount of pensions or disability pay from the Veterans Administration as reported on Income Report Forms. The data are given for a maximum of 36 month for any one family.
TEXT DESCRIPTION	See figure 6 in the overview to IRF variables. Note that the wording specified "Veterans Administration Pension or Compensation (Disability) benefits."
VARIABLE DERIVATION	Amounts were converted to the nearest dollar.
COMMENTS	The outlying maximum amount on the file, $29,700 is probably an error: the STATS show several other months with $297 as the maximum--and the periodic data show no such large amount. See Appendix D for other VA variables on the file.

F2340-
F2382

OTHMIS0-
OTHMIS42

VARIABLE TITLE	OTHER MISCELLANEOUS NONWAGE INCOME, DOLLARS, MONTHS 0-42, FROM IRFS
ALLOWABLE CODES	00000 = No dollars, or missing data 00005-12000 = Dollar amount 99995 = IRF should have been filed, but data not available 99997 = Data not collected for this month 99999 = Family has attrited
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION	This variable is a composite of amounts reported by family for many different categories on the IRF. Each family has a maximum of 36 months of data.
TEXT DESCRIPTION	See figure in the overview to IRF variables. The items included in this aggregation are: Child support received; net rent from roomers; interest, dividends, capital gains; property rental income; tax refund; insurance settlement, inheritance; cash from family members not living at home; other cash gifts, cash prizes; private pension benefits; alimony received; armed forces reserve training pay; job training benefits, scholarships, G.I. bill payments excluding books and tuition; and other. The filer answered each of these for the family as a whole.
VARIABLE DERIVATION	All reported amounts were summed and converted to the nearest dollar.
COMMENTS	This variable is not strictly comparable to other miscellaneous nonwage variables, as the components differ.

F2383-
F2425

ERNSE0-
ERNSE42

VARIABLE TITLE	SELF-EMPLOYED EARNINGS, DOLLARS, MONTH 0-42, FROM IRFS
ALLOWABLE CODES	00000 = No dollars, or missing data 00001-41500 = Dollar amount 99995 = IRF should have been filed, but data not available 99997 = Data not collected for this month 99999 = Family has attrited
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION	This variable gives the family amount of earnings from self-employment, as reported on Income Report forms. Each family has a maximum of 36 months of data.
TEXT DESCRIPTION	See figure in overview to IRF variables. Note that self-employed income was included with other form of nonwage income. The filer always answered for the family as a whole.
VARIABLE DERIVATION	The amounts reported were converted to the nearest dollar.
COMMENTS	Throughout most of the experiment there are very few responses, yet STATS show that for months 31-38 the number of responses jumps to over 200. This is almost certainly due to a change in manner of handling the question, though the exact nature of the change has not been determined. This is the only variable on the file specifying self-employed income; because only the family amount was asked the specific earners cannot be identified.

F2426-
F2468

FAMWAG0-
FAMWAG42

VARIABLE TITLE	GROSS FAMILY WAGE EARNINGS, DOLLARS, MONTHS 0-42, FROM IRFS
ALLOWABLE CODES	00000 = No dollars, or missing data 00001-07413 = Dollar amount 99994 = Missing data 99995 = IRF should have been filed, but data not available 99997 = Data not collected for this month 99999 = Family has attrited
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION	This variable gives the family amount--summed from all person amounts--of gross wages as reported in Income Report Forms for a maximum of 36 months.
TEXT DESCRIPTION	See figure in overview to IRF variables. The filer answered for each person, for each week in the previous month.
VARIABLE DERIVATION	Amounts were converted to the nearest dollar, summed across weeks for a monthly amount, and then summed across persons for a family monthly amount. The number of earners for this total is given in ERNERS, F2469-F2511, the next variable.
COMMENTS	Other wage variables are shown in Appendix D.

F2469-
F2511

ERNERS0-
ERNERS42

VARIABLE TITLE	NUMBER OF WAGE EARNERS IN FAMILY PER MONTH, MONTHS 0-42, FROM IRFS
ALLOWABLE CODES	00 = No earners, or missing data 01-05 = Number of earners 94 = Missing data 95 = IRF should have been filed, but data not available 97 = Data not collected for this month 99 = Family has attrited
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION	This variable gives a count of the number of earners as reported in Income Report Forms.
VARIABLE DERIVATION	This variable is a count of the number of persons for whom positive wage amounts were reported in a given month.

VARIABLE TITLE	UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION FROM EMPLOYER, DOLLARS, MONTHS 0-42, FROM IRFS
ALLOWABLE CODES	00000 = No dollars, or missing data 00004-00639 = Dollar amount 99995 = IRF should have been filed, but data not available 99997 = Data not collected for this month 99999 = Family has attrited
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION	This variable gives the family amount received in supplemental unemployment benefits from employers, as reported in income report forms, for a maximum of 36 months for any one family. These benefits are specific to the industry types in the Gary area.
TEXT DESCRIPTION	See figure in overview to IRF variables. The filer always answered for the family as a whole.
VARIABLE DERIVATION	The amounts reported were converted to the nearest dollar.
COMMENTS	The maximum number of responses in any one month is 16. Other unemployment benefit variables are listed by subject in Appendix D.

F2512-
F2554

STUE0-
STUE42

VARIABLE TITLE	STATE UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION, DOLLARS, MONTHS 0-42, FROM IRFS
ALLOWABLE CODES	00000 = No dollars, or missing data 00001-00450 = Dollar amount 99995 = IRf should have been filed, but data not available 99997 = Data not collected for this month 99999 = Family has attrited
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION	This variable gives the family amount of state (or regular) unemployment compensation as reported in Income Report Forms for a maximum of 36 months.
TEXT DESCRIPTION	See figure in overview to IRF variables. The filer answered for the family as a whole.
VARIABLE DERIVATION	The amounts were converted to the nearest dollar.
COMMENTS	Other unemployment benefit variables are listed by subject in Appendix D.

VARIABLE TITLE	STRIKE BENEFITS, DOLLARS, MONTHS 0-42, FROM IRFS
ALLOWABLE CODES	00000 = No dollars, or missing data 00010-02710 = Dollar amount 99995 = IRF should have been filed, but data not available 99997 = Data not collected for this month 99999 = Family has attrited
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION	This variable gives the family amount of strike benefits received and reported on income report forms. No family can have more than 36 months of data.
TEXT DESCRIPTION	See figure in overview to IRF variables.
VARIABLE DERIVATION	Amounts were converted to the nearest dollar.
COMMENTS	There are almost no positive repsonses to this variable--the maximum in any one month is three. Other strike compensation variables are listed in Appendix D.

F2641-
F2688

GXPMT1-
GXPMT48

VARIABLE TITLE	GARY CHECK AMOUNT, DOLLARS, MONTHS 1-48
ALLOWABLE CODES	0000 = No payment 0005-0952 = Dollar amount 9993 = Family has no Gary payments data 9996 = No Gary payment this month 9999 = Family attrited
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION	This variable gives the amount of the monthly Gary check sent to and received by participant families. Control families received a filing fee (for sending in their income report forms) and financial families received regular experiment payments. Each family should have up to 36 months of payments information.
VARIABLE DERIVATION	This variable was taken directly from the experiment's payment files which recorded each check sent out and received.
COMMENTS	The last payment was made in month 44; months 45-48 are 9s...6-filled.

VARIABLE TITLE	TOTAL FAMILY AFDC AMOUNT, DOLLARS 1970
ALLOWABLE CODES	0057-3900 = Dollar amount 9993 = Family has no preenrollment AFDC data
VARIABLE DERIVATION	This variable is the sum of person amounts collected from welfare department files.

F2690

AFDCMOS

VARIABLE TITLE	NUMBER OF MONTHS AT LEAST ONE PERSON RECEIVED AFDC, 1970
VARIABLE CODES	01-12 = Number of months 93 = Family has no pre-enrollment AFDC data, or no AFDC
VARIABLE	The number of months was counted.
COMMENTS	This variable should be used with AFDC70, F2689.

VARIABLE TITLE	FAMILY AFDC AMOUNT, MONTH OF ECON BASELINE, DOLLARS
ALLOWABLE CODES	0000 = No dollars 0017-0600 = Dollar amount 9993 = Family has no preenrollment AFDC data 9994 = Missing data
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION	This variable gives, for a uniform point of reference, the amount of money the family received from AFDC in the month they were given the Econ Baseline Interview.
VARIABLE DERIVATION	The Econ Baseline date was used to locate the correct month; all person amounts received for that month were summed.
COMMENTS	There are about 200 families who had missing data--with no specified reason--for this variable. The date of the Econ Base is given in ECONBASE, F0308.

F2692-
F2739

AFDC1-
AFDC48

VARIABLE TITLE	FAMILY AFDC INCOME, DOLLARS, MONTHS 1-48
ALLOWABLE CODES	0000 = No dollars or missing AFDC data 0001-2110 = Dollar amount 9993 = Family has no AFDC income data for months 1-48 9994 = Missing data
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION	This variable gives the amount of AFDC actually received by a family for each the 48 months. It should apply mainly to control families.
VARIABLE DERIVATION	This variable was originally taken from Welfare Department records: it appears in a different section of MONSTA from the set of preenrollment AFDC variables, however. Person amounts were summed for each month for the total family receipt.
COMMENTS	The missing data codes may differ from those found in the three previous AFDC variables. Though this variable should apply to control families only, there were cases in which a secondary family continued to receive AFDC, even though the primary family did not. For financial families the following variable, AFDCEL, F2740-F2787, can be used to see the amount the family would have received from AFDC.

VARIABLE TITLE	FAMILY AFDC ELIGIBILITY AMOUNT, DOLLARS PER MONTH, MONTHS 1-48
ALLOWABLE CODES	0000 = No dollars or missing AFDC data 0001-2110 = Dollar amount 9993 = Family has no AFDC income data for months 1-48 9994 = Missing data
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION	This variable gives the monthly AFDC amount for which each family was eligible. For controls it is the same as the amount received (see F2692-F2739); for financial families who went off AFDC to participate in the experiment, this is the amount they would have received.
VARIABLE DERIVATION	This variable, taken from Welfare Department records, appears in a different section of MONSTA than the preenrollment AFDC variables. Person amounts were summed for each month.
COMMENTS	Because the variable was with other income variables on the file, (rather than with the preenrollment AFDC variables) the missing data codes may vary from these used with preenrollment AFDC data.

VARIABLE TITLE	TOTAL FAMILY SSI AMOUNT, DOLLARS, 1970
ALLOWABLE CODES	0000 = No dollars 0100-1920 = Dollar amount 9993 = Family has no administrative SSI data
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION	This variable gives the total amount of SSI received by family members in 1970.
VARIABLE DERIVATION	This variable is the sum of person amounts of Blind, Disabled, and Old Age Assistance received in 1970. The amounts were found in Welfare Department records.

VARIABLE TITLE	FAMILY SSI AMOUNT, MONTH OF ECON BASELONE, DOLLARS
ALLOWABLE CODES	0000 = No dollars 0007-0160 = Dollar amount 9993 = Family has no administrative SSI data
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION	This variable gives, for a uniform point of reference, the amount the family received from SSI in the month they were given the Econ Baseline Interview.
VARIABLE DERIVATION	The Econ Base date was used to locate the correct month; all person amounts for that month for Blind, Disability, and Old Age Assistance were summed. This date is given in ECONBASE, F0308.

VARIABLE TITLE	NUMBER OF MONTHS AT LEAST ONE PERSON RECEIVED SSI, 1970
ALLOWABLE CODES	00 = No SSI 01-12 = Number of months 93 = Family has no administrative trative SSI data
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION	This variable gives the number of months for which the 1970 SSI amount given in SSI70, F2788, was received.
VARIABLE DERIVATION	The number of months was counted from Welfare Department records
COMMENTS	For some reason, this variable has a total of four more zero or positive responses than any other administratively SSI variable.

F2791-
F2826

SSIC1-
SSIC36

VARIABLE TITLE	"CURRENT" SSI AWARD, DOLLARS, MONTHS 1-36
ALLOWABLE CODES	0000 = No dollars 0002-0720 = Dollar amount 9993 = Family has no administrative SSI data
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION	This variable gives the regular monthly amount received in the family Supplemental Security Income types.
VARIABLE DERIVATION	These amounts were taken directly from Welfare Department records. For months where Blind, Disabled, and Old Age Assistance were given separately, the amounts were summed. The family variable is the sum of all person amounts received by family members in one month.
COMMENTS	This variable covers only the first 36 of the GARYFILE 48 months Occasionally, a family also received a lump sum amount of SSI, described in the following variable, SSIR, F2827-F2862.

F2827-
F2862

SSIR1-
SSIR36

VARIABLE TITLE	"RETROACTIVE" SSI AWARD, DOLLARS, MONTHS 1-36
ALLOWABLE CODES	0000 = No dollars 0020-0888 = Dollar amount 9993 = Family has no administrative SSI data
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION	This variable gives lump-sum amounts received by a family when initial determination or redetermination of a case indicated someone should receive some back-dated amounts of assistance.
VARIABLE DERIVATION	These amounts were taken directly from Welfare Department records. Separately-reported Blind, Disabled and Old Age Assistance amounts were summed; the family amount is the sum of person amounts for each month.
COMMENTS	There are very few responses to this variable--with a maximum of three in any one month--as may be expected from the nature of the item. The amounts received could be considerable, but were one-time awards, generally at the opening of a case.

VARIABLE TITLE	FOOD STAMPS, TOTAL FACE VALUE, DOLLARS, 1970
ALLOWABLE CODES	0000 = No dollar amount: no food stamps received 0001-9990 = Dollar amount 9993 = Family has no administrative Food Stamp data
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION	This variable gives the total face value or purchasing power, of Food Stamps the family received in 1970.
VARIABLE DERIVATION	The data were taken from Food Stamp Office records. To obtain the face value, the cost of the stamps (found in F2864) was added to the bonus value (not given on this file, but easily derived by the reverse procedure). Amounts from person records were summed for the family as a whole.

VARIABLE TITLE	FOOD STAMPS, TOTAL AMOUNT PAID, DOLLARS, 1970
ALLOWABLE CODES	0000 = No dollars: no Food Stamps <u>or</u> did not pay for them 0001-3031 = Dollar amount 9993 = Family has no administrative Food Stamps data
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION	Many families pay a certain amount for their Food Stamps. This variable gives the total family amount paid for 1970. Families which did not have to pay for their stamps show up as zeros, along with families which did not use Food Stamps at all in 1970.
VARIABLE DERIVATION	These amounts were taken directly from Food Stamp Office records. The family variable is the sum of person amounts.
COMMENTS	This variable should not be used to gauge the number of Food Stamp users, as some families do not pay for their stamps.

F2865

FSMOS70

VARIABLE TITLE NUMBER OF MONTHS RECEIVED FOOD STAMPS, 1970

ALLOWABLE CODES

00 = None
01-12 = Number of months
93 = Family did not have administrative Food Stamp data

VARIABLE DERIVATION

The number of unique months for which at least one person received Food Stamps in 1970 was simply counted.

COMMENTS

This variable should be used with the preceding variables on Food Stamps, F2863 and F2864.

For some reason there are a few more zero or positive responses than anywhere else in the administrative Food Stamps section. This affects only a couple of cases.

VARIABLE TITLE	FOOD STAMPS, FACE VALUE, MONTH OF ECON BASELINE, DOLLARS
ALLOWABLE CODES	0000 = No Food Stamps 0001-9000 = Dollar amount 9993 = Family has no administrative Food Stamps data 9994 = Missing data
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION	This variable gives, for a uniform point of reference the total purchasing power of the family members' Food Stamps for the same month they also received the Econ Baseline interview.
VARIABLE DERIVATION	The Econ Base date was used to locate the correct month The cost and the bonus (net) value of the stamps from Food Stamp Office records were summed for the total face value; person amounts were summed for the family amount.
COMMENTS	There are a few cases of missing data for this variable. The bonus value may be derived by subtracting the cost (found in F2867) from this face value. The Econ Base date is given in ECONBASE, F0308.

VARIABLE TITLE	FOOD STAMPS, AMOUNT PAID, MONTH OF ECON BASELINE, DOLLARS
ALLOWABLE CODES	0000 = No dollars: no Food Stamps, or did not pay for them 0001-0284 = Dollar amount 9993 = Family had no administrative Food Stamp data 9994 = Missing data
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION	This variable gives, for a uniform point of reference, the total amount paid by family members for food Stamps in the same month they received the Econ Base interview.
VARIABLE DERIVATION	The Econ Base date was used to locate the correct month; all person amounts on Food Stamp Office records for that month were summed.
COMMENTS	There are a few cases of missing data for this variable. Note that zeros may indicate the family did not pay for Food Stamps used in this month. The bonus (or net) value of Food Stamps may be found by subtracting the cost from the face value of the stamps. The date of the Econ Base in in F0308.

F2868-
F2903

FSVADM1-
FSVADM36

VARIABLE TITLE	FOOD STAMPS, FACE VALUE, ADMIN, DOLLARS, MONTHS 1-36
ALLOWABLE CODES	0000 = No Food Stamps 0001-9000 = Dollar amount 9993 = Family has no administrative Food Stamps data
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION	This variable gives the purchasing power of the family's Food Stamps for the first 36 GARYFILE months.
VARIABLE DERIVATION	This variable is the sum of bonus (net) value and cost of the stamps as recorded in Food Stamp Office files. Person amounts were summed for the family as a whole.

VARIABLE TITLE	FOOD STAMPS, AMOUNT PAID, DOLLARS, MONTHS 1-36, ADMIN
ALLOWABLE CODES	0000 = No dollars: No Food Stamps <u>or</u> did not pay for them 0001-0352 = Dollar amount 9993 = Family has no administrative Food Stamp data
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION	Many families pay something for the Food Stamps they receive. This variable gives the monthly total amount paid for Food Stamps by family members.
VARIABLE DERIVATION	The amount was taken from Food Stamp Office records and summed for all recipients in a month.
COMMENTS	Not every family paid for its Food Stamps some using stamps will show up as zeros under this variable. The bonus (net) value of Food Stamps can be found by substracting this variable from the preceding variable (F2868-F2938).

F2940-
F2944

FWAGES69-
FWAGES73

VARIABLE TITLE	ANNUAL GROSS WAGES, FAMILY TOTAL, FROM FEDERAL TAX CARD, DOLLARS, 1969-1973
ALLOWABLE CODES	00000 = No dollars 00029-31618 = Dollar amount 99993 = Family has no IRS data 99994 = Missing data
VARIABLE DERIVATION	These data were taken directly from Internal Revenue Service records. All amounts were converted to the nearest dollar.
COMMENTS	Note that 1969 and 1970 are two full preexperiment years. The number of responses is reasonably high--generally about one-third of the total number of families.

F2945-
F2949

FDIVIN69-
FDIVIN73

VARIABLE TITLE	ANNUAL DIVIDENDS AND INTEREST, FAMILY TOTAL, FROM FEDERAL TAX CARD, DOLLARS, 1969-1973
ALLOWABLE CODES	0000 = No dollars 0001-3788 = Dollar amount 9993 = Family has no IRS data 9994 = Missing data
VARIABLE DERIVATION	These data were taken directly from Internal Revenue Service records. Amounts were converted to the nearest dollar.
COMMENTS	The two years 1969 and 1970 provide preexperiment data. There are relatively few responses, ranging around 50.

F2950-
F2954

FOTHER69-
FOTHER73

VARIABLE TITLE	ANNUAL AMOUNT OF OTHER INCOME OR LOSS, FAMILY TOTAL, FROM FEDERAL TAX CARD, DOLLARS, 1969-1973
ALLOWABLE CODES	0000 = No dollars 0002-9739 = Dollar amount 9993 = Family has no IRS data 9994 = Missing data
VARIABLE DERIVATION	These data were taken directly from Internal Revenue Service records. All amounts were changed to the nearest dollar.
COMMENTS	Unfortunately, this variable does not indicate whether it is actually income or loss. The number of responses jumps dramatically from 46 in 1970 to 361 in 1971.

F2955-
F2959

FEDTAX69-
FEDTAX73

VARIABLE TITLE	TOTAL FEDERAL TAX ON INCOME, FAMILY TOTAL, FROM FEDERAL TAX CARD, DOLLARS, 1969-1973
ALLOWABLE CODES	000 = No dollars 0001-5040 = Dollar amount 9993 = Family has no IRS data 9994 = Missing data
VARIABLE DERIVATIONS	The amounts were taken directly from Internal Revenue Service records. Amounts were changed to the nearest dollar.
COMMENTS	The number of responses is around 400. 1969 and 1970 data provide preexperiment information.

F2960-
F2964

FTAXW69-
FTAXW73

VARIABLE TITLE	TOTAL FEDERAL TAX WITHHELD, FAMILY, FROM FEDERAL TAX CARD, DOLLARS, 1969-1973
ALLOWABLE CODES	0000 = No dollars 0001-5476 = Dollar amount 9993 = Family has no IRS data 9994 = Missing data
VARIABLE DERIVATION	The amounts were taken directly from Internal Revenue Service records. Amounts were changed to nearest dollar.
COMMENTS	The number of responses is somewhat higher than that for the preceding variable (F2955 - F2959) on the actual amount of tax.

F2965-
F2969

SWAGES69-
SWAGES73

VARIABLE TITLE	ANNUAL GROSS WAGES, FAMILY TOTAL, FROM STATE TAX CARD, DOLLARS, 1969-1973
ALLOWABLE CODES	00000 = No dollars 00040-31618 = Dollar amount 99993 = Family has no IDR data 99994 = Missing data
VARIABLE DERIVATION	These data were taken directly from Indiana Department of Revenue records. All amounts were converted to the nearest dollar.
COMMENTS	Note that 1969 and 1970 are two full preexperimental years. The number of responses is small in the first three years (under 100) and jumps to 488 and 489 respectively for the last two years.

F2970-
F2974

SDIVIN69-
SDIVIN73

VARIABLE TITLE	ANNUAL DIVIDENDS AND INTEREST, FAMILY TOTAL, FROM STATE TAX CARD, DOLLARS, 1969-1973
ALLOWABLE CODES	0000 = No dollars 0001-1933 = Dollar amount 9993 = Family has no IDR data 9994 = Missing data
VARIABLE DERIVATION	These data were taken directly from Indiana Department of Revenue records. Amounts were converted to the nearest dollar.
COMMENTS	The two years 1969 and 1970 provide preexperiment data. There are few responses, though they increase in the last two years.

F2975-
F2979

SOTHER69-
SOTHER73

VARIABLE TITLE	ANNUAL AMOUNT OF OTHER INCOME OR LOSS, FAMILY TOTAL, FROM STATE TAX CARD, DOLLARS, 1969-1973
ALLOWABLE CODES	0000 = No dollars 0007-4859 = Dollar amount 9993 = Family has no IDR data 9994 = Missing data
VARIABLE DERIVATION	These data were taken directly from Indiana Department of Revenue records. All amounts were changed to the nearest dollar.
COMMENTS	Unfortunately, this variable does not indicate whether it is actually income or loss. The numbers of responses jumps dramatically in the last two years.

F2980-
F2984

STATAX69-
STATAX73

VARIABLE TITLE	TOTAL STATE TAX ON INCOME, FAMILY TOTAL, FROM STATE TAX CARD, DOLLARS, 1969-1973
ALLOWABLE CODES	0000 = No dollars 0001-0548 = Dollar amount 9993 = Family has no IDR data 9994 = Missing data
VARIABLE DERIVATION	The amounts were taken directly from Indiana Department of Revenue records. Amounts were changed to the nearest dollar.
COMMENTS	The number of responses increases in 1972 and 1973.

F2985-
F2989

STAXW69-
STAXW73

VARIABLE TITLE TOTAL STATE TAX WITHHELD, FAMILY, FROM STATE TAX CARD, DOLLARS, 1969-1973

ALLOWABLE CODES

0000 = No dollars
0002-1201 = Dollar amount
9993 = Family has no IDR data
9994 = Missing data

VARIABLE The amounts were taken directly from Indiana Department of Internal Revenue records. Amounts were changed to nearest dollar.

COMMENTS The number of responses is somewhat higher than that for the preceding variable (F2980-F2984) on the actual amount of tax. The same jump in number of responses as seen in other IDR variables is found here.

VARIABLE TITLE	TOTAL WAGES PAID TO PERSONS 16 AND OVER IN FAMILY, FOUR QUARTERS OF 1970
ALLOWABLE CODES	00000 = No dollars 00765-10316 = Dollar amount 99993 = Family has no DES earnings data
VARIABLE DERIVATION	Quarterly wages were found by person in the State Division of Employment Security's records. Amounts were changed to the nearest dollar, and aggregated for the four quarters in 1970 and all family members.
COMMENTS	There are 42 positive responses. The vast majority of families has zeros.

VARIABLE TITLE	NUMBER OF QUARTERS WAGES RECEIVED BY AT LEAST ONE PERSON IN FAMILY, 1970
ALLOWABLE CODES	00 = None 01-04 = Number of quarters 93 = Family has no DES data
VARIABLE DERIVATION	The number of quarters for which data are found in the State Division of Employment security records was simply counted.
COMMENTS	There is one unaccounted-for zero, which is apparently given as a 93 in other variables in this section. The vast majority of families has zeros.

WGECON

VARIABLE TITLE	WAGES PAID TO PERSONS 16 AND OVER FOR QUARTER INCLUDING ECON BASE
ALLOWABLE CODES	0000 = No dollars 0551-3067 = Dollar amount 93 = Family has no DES earnings data 94 = Missing data
VARIABLE DERIVATION	The Econ Base date was used to identify the corresponding quarter in State Division of Employment Security records. The amount for that quarter was changed to the nearest dollar, and data for all family members were summed.
COMMENTS	The number of positive responses is 37; most families show zeros. The date used is found in ECONBASE, F0308.

F3009-
F3056

UEBEN1-
UEBEN48

VARIABLE TITLE	AMOUNT OF UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS PAID TO PERSONS 16 AND OVER, DOLLARS, MONTHS 1-48, ADMIN
ALLOWABLE CODES	0000 = No dollars 0001-0375 = Dollar amount 9993 = Family has no DES unemployment data 9997 = Data not collected for this month
VARIABLE DERIVATION	Amounts were taken directly from Division of Employment Security records, converted to the nearest dollar, and summed across family members for each month.
COMMENTS	Most responses are zeros. Positive responses are generally under 20, except for a flurry in months 26-41 (early 1973) when they reach a maximum of 34 responses for one month. Months 1-5 and 45-48 have no positive responses.

F2993-
F3006

WAGQTR1-
WAGQTR16

VARIABLE TITLE	WAGES PAID TO PERSONS 16, AND OVER, DOLLARS PER QUARTER, 1971-1974
ALLOWABLE CODWS	0000 = No dollars 0001-9828 = Dollar amount 9993 = Family has no DES earnings data 9997 = Data not collected for this quarter
VARIABLE DERIVATION	Data were taken directly from the State's Division of Employment Security records, converted to the nearest dollar, and summed for all family members.
COMMENTS	In the first 8 quarters responses range around 40, and rise suddenly to the 700's for most of the subsequent quarters. Most responses are zeros,throughout. The last quarter contains 9s...7s.

PART IV

THE PERSON RECORD

SECTION I

INTRODUCTION TO THE PERSON RECORD

The GARYFILE contains a separate person record for each family member 16 or older. Person records follow the family record for the associated family. The person records contain demographic, income, and employment data, with information derived from interviews, income report forms, and administrative records, and is quite a bit more complex than the family record. This introduction briefly summarizes the variables included in each segment, while the following glossary section contains a variable description for each person record variable in the order in which it appears on the file.

DEMOGRAPHIC VARIABLES

Person demographic variables include: (1) family and person identification numbers; (2) a person status code showing arrivals and departures by month, and a monthly presence indicator, (3) monthly marital status and relationship codes; (4) birthdate and sex; (5) experiment enrollment, attrition, and disenrollment dates, and (6) highest grade and current school type codes for the years starting in September 1977-June 1973.

INTERVIEW VARIABLES

There are several sets of interview variables on the person record. Econ Baseline variables provide preexperiment employment data; periodic variables provide income and employment information before, during, and after participation in the financial experiment--with the amount of pre- and post-experiment data determined by the timing of the family's three years of active experiment participation. Current period variables give point-in-time employment data at the time of each periodic interview.

Econ Base Variables

Econ Base variables on the person record are employment items which include: (1) year the person started to work, and year the person started full-time work; (2) the number of jobs held in the person's working career, in the past 5 years, in the past 3 years, and in the last year; (3) the person's 1969 income; (4) current labor force status; (5) job information such as industry and occupation, hours and pay, both recent and "normal"--that is, averaged over a lengthy period; (6) for unemployed persons the number of months out of work and plans to return to work are given.

Periodic Income Variables

Periodic income variables on the person record are monthly dollar amounts of income for up to 48 months. Nonwage sources are: Supplemental Security Income (in earlier month an aggregate of Blind; Disabled, and Old Age Assitance); the Township Trustee, Social Security, the Veterans' Administration, and "miscellaneous" nonwage income. It should be noted that these nonwage variables are not given for all months on the person record, but appear only for months in which the amounts were specifically asked by person. Earned income types are regular job wages, daywork earnings, and odd job earning. Unemployment benefits and supplemental unemployment benefits are summed into one variable, as are strike benefits and Workmen's Compensation amounts. These latter two variables also appear for certain months only.

Current Period Variables

The current period variables are employment items given as of the date of each of the nine periodic interviews. They include: employment status, type of worker codes; and reason not working codes; regular and overtime hours worked, both in the previous week and "normally"; and two disability items.

Monthly Employment Variables from Periodics

The variables in this section are each given for months 1-48 There are two distinct subsets of data, the first dealing with the person's general employment status and the second with his/her longest job in each month.

Employment status variables include: type of worker; reason employed but not working; percent of each month employed, percent worked, percent not in the labor force, and percent unemployed; a monthly employment status code, and a disability item.

Longest job data include: months of experimence on the job; industry and occupation codes; hours; and wage rates.

INCOME REPORT FORM VARIABLES

Each family has up to 36 months of Income Report Form data and persons data were reported for each month a person was present in the family and the questions were applicable. IRF variables on the person record are employment items, including: gross wages, federal, state, and FICA withholdings and hours worked, all on a monthly basis.

ADMINISTRATIVE VARIABLES

Administrative variables on the person record are all income and tax variables, with dollar amounts reported. The sources are the same as those on the family record and the variables--with the exception of the Gary payment of IRS/IDR items--are also the same, giving person rather than family amounts.

AFDC

AFDC records provided a 1970 total and a monthly amount for the month of the Econ Baseline. Two monthly items appear for month 1-48: the actual income amount received is given (mainly for control families), while the "eligibility amount"--that for which a financial experimental family would have been eligible, had they not been receiving NIT payment--appears for financial families. (For controls the eligibility amount is the same as the amount actually received.)

SSI

SSI records provide a 1970 total and a monthly amount for the month of the Econ Baseline. Two monthly amounts for months 1-36 are given, the "current" or normal monthly award, and a "retroactive" or ont-time award, usually given at the opening of a new case.

Food Stamps

Food Stamp variables always show both the face value (purchasing power) of the stamps, and the cost (the amount the family paid for the stamps). These are both given for 1970, for the month of the Econ Baseline, and for months 1-36.

IRS/IDR

The Internal Revenue Service and the Indiana Department of Revenue give similar variables, all annual dollar amounts for 1969 through 1973. These include annual gross wages, dividends and interest, other income/loss, total tax (federal and state), and total withholdings (federal and state).

DES

The Indiana Division of Employment Security gives gross wage data for 1970, for the quarter including the family's Econ Baseline, and then gives quarterly wages for the period 1971-1974. Unemployment benefit amounts are given montly for months 1-48.

SECTION II

PERSON RECORD VARIABLE DESCRIPTIONS

The following pages contain variable descriptions for each of the variables found on the GARYFILE person record, with each given in the order in which it appears on the file. The organization of these descriptions is described in part 1 of this glossary, while an overview of data sources is found in part 2. The user is urged to become familiar with these, as well as the Users' Guide to the GARYFILE for an overall understanding of the experiments and the data which appear on the file.

Each variable is readily identified by the variable number in the top right-hand corner of the first page of variable description. This variable number, and the variable name appearing immediately under it, facilitate cross reference between the glossary descriptions and both the record format description and the STATS runs for the person record.

VARIABLE TITLE	FAMILY NUMBER
ALLOWABLE CODES	nnn = Family number
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION	Each family was assigned a unique four digit code. This code was also incorporated into the person number as the first four digits of a six-digit code.

VARIABLE TITLE	PERSON NUMBER
ALLOWABLE CODES	nnnnnn = Person number
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION	The person number is a unique six digit code which is composed of the family number in the first four digits and a two digit code which identifies each individual in the family.

P0003-
P0050

STATUS1-
STATUS48

VARIABLE TITLE

PERSON STATUS CODE BY MONTH

ALLOWABLE CODES

00 = Family not active
01 = Family active, person not yet arrived
02 = Month person arrived, because family became active
n3 = Month person arrived in an already active family
  13 = first arrival
  23 = second arrival
  n3 = nth arrival
04 = Continued presence in the family
n5 = Month person left family
  15 = first departure
  n5 = nth departure
06 = Person already left
07 = Month person left because family ended
94 = Data missing/one of the items used to derive variable is missing

VARIABLE DESCRIPTION

To indicate months a particular core person was present in a family, a person status code was derived using enrollment, disenrollment, and attrition dates of families and an add/delete code for persons. For any one core person it is possible to tell if the family was active prior to his/her arrival, if the person was a member of the household in any given month, and the month in which a person arrived or departed, as well as continued presence in the family.

P0051-
P0098

MOPRES1-
MOPRES48

VARIABLE TITLE	MONTHLY PRESENCE INDICATOR
ALLOWABLE CODES	0 = Family exists but person is not there 2 = Present in family 3 = Death 4 = One of items used to derive variable is missing 9 = Family not active
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION	This variable is a simplified person status code (P0003-P0050) in that presence or absence in a family is flagged without reference to first or second arrivals or departures.

P0099-
P0146

MRST1-
MRST48

VARIABLE TITLE	MARITAL STATUS BY MONTH
ALLOWABLE CODES	01 = Married 02 = Widowered/widowed 03 = Separated/legally separated 04 = Divorced 05 = Single, never married 06 = Separated <u>or</u> divorced 07 = Other/married, spouse present 94 = Missing data 97 = Months before enrollment 99 = Months after attrition or disenrollment
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION	Marital status was derived by using information obtained from periodics 3, 6, 7 and 9. The ninth periodic was the main source as it provided the most detailed information for core persons. Respondents were asked about their present marriage (if they were married), and previous marriages, if applicable. Dates of marriages and/or legal separations or divorces were used in determining the monthly marital status.

P0147-
P0194

RELCODE1-
RELCODE48

VARIABLE TITLE

RELATIONSHIP TO FILER CODE

ALLOWABLE CODES

01 = Filer
02 = Spouse
03 = Son
04 = Daughter
05 = Parent
06 = Grandparent
07 = Uncle
08 = Aunt
09 = Nephew
10 = Niece
11 = Adopted or legal guardian
12 = No relation
13 = Foster child
14 = Grandson
15 = Granddaughter
16 = Great granddaughter
17 = Great grandson
18 = Mother-in-law
19 = Father-in-law
20 = Son-in-law
21 = Daughter-in-law
22 = Sister-in-law
23 = Brother-in-law
24 = Sister
25 = Brother
26 = Cousin
27 = Great-nephew
28 = Great-niece
29 = Stepson
30 = Stepdaughter
31 = Godchild
32 = Ward son
33 = Ward daughter
94 = Missing data
97 = Months before enrollment
98 = Person departed, not present in family
99 = Months after attrition or disenrollment

VARIABLE DESCRIPTION

For each of 48 months, this variable provides a relationship code to the filer for each core person. In cases where a core person left a family, 98 codes are used. As in other variables 97 code fills the months before a family's enrollment and a 99 code the months after attrition.

VARIABLE TITLE	DATE OF BIRTH (YYMM)
ALLOWABLE CODES	YYMM = Year and month of core person birth 9994 = Data missing
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION	The date of birth was derived from the IFDEM-HCOMP file which indicated the age of each core person for each of 48 months. Month one in the file was established at January 1971. Ages on the file were changed the month after the birthdate. Therefore, a 28 year old person whose birthdate was in August would have a code of 28 years for each of the months after enrollment through August, and a code of 29 in month 9 (September). Birth year was derived by subtracting the age from 1971; birth month was derived by subtracting one from the month of change.

VARIABLE TITLE	SEX
ALLOWABLE CODES	1 - Male 2 = Female 3 = Missing of conflicting data
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION	This variable defines the sex of each core person.

VARIABLE TITLE	ENROLLMENT DATE (YYDDD)
ALLOWABLE CODES	YYDDD = Date of enrollment for family of which person was a member 00000 = Missing date
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION	Original enrollment in the Gary experiment took place between January and August 1971. High income families were enrolled between December, 1971 and February, 1972. This variable gives the enrollment date for each family.

VARIABLE TITLE	ATTRITION DATE (YYDDD)
ALLOWABLE CODES	YYDDD = Date of attrition 00000 = Family did not attrite
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION	Some families left the experiment prior to the disenrollment. Some families withdrew voluntarily but others were dropped from the experiment for failure to complete interviews or to submit Income Report Forms. If applicable to a family this variable gives the date of attrition.

VARIABLE TITLE	DISENROLLMENT DATE (YYDDD)
ALLOWABLE CODES	YYDDD = Disenrollment date 00000 = Disenrollment date missing
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION	Experimental families, or families eligible to recieve Gary payments, were eligible to receive these payments for 36 months or through August 1974, whichever came first. The disenrollment date indicates the conclusion of a family's eligibility to receive the Gary payment.

VARIABLE TITLE	HIGHEST GRADE COMPLETED, SCHOOL YEAR SEPT '71 - JUNE '72
ALLOWABLE CODES	00 = No education 01 - 16 = Number of years of education 17 = Masther's degree 18 = Above master's degree 22 = Vocational school 23 = Kindergarten 24 = Special school 25 = Head Start 94 = Missing
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION	Data for this variable were taken from the fly-sheets which were completed before each periodic interview began. (See figure 3 in Overview to Demographic Variables.) The respondent, or filer, was asked to report the highest grade completed for each member of the household. This variable is the first of three "grade" variables which, when used in conjunction with GRADE72 and GRADE73 can reflect additional education gained by core persons over the period of the experiment.

VARIABLE TITLE

SCHOOL TYPE CODE, SCHOOL YEAR SEPT '71 - June '72

ALLOWABLE CODES

00 = Not in school
01 = Public primary school
02 = Public secondary school
03 = Vocational school
04 = Other public school
05 = Catholic affiliation
06 = Other religious affiliation
07 = College, other post secondary
08 = Neighborhood or pre schools, Head Start day care, etc.
09 = Other, including unknown
94 = Data missing

VARIABLE DESCRIPTION

This variable was also taken from the flysheet administered prior to each periodic interview. For each member of the household, the filer or respondent indicated if the person were going to be a full time student in the fall. If a positive response was given, the grade or year of school was asked and the type of school.

There are two other School Type variables, SCHTYP72 and SCHTYP73, for each core person and, when used with GRADE71, 72 and 73, indicate the type of schooling in which each person was enrolled.

P0203

SCHTYPE72

VARIABLE TITLE	SCHOOL TYPE CODE, SCHOOL YEAR SEPT '72 - June '73
ALLOWABLE CODES	See P0201, SCHTYPE71
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION	Codes and description for SCHTYP71 apply to this variable for the school year September 1972 through June 1973.

VARIABLE TITLE	HIGHEST GRADE COMPLETED, SCHOOL YEAR SEPT '72 - June '73
ALLOWABLE CODES	See P0200, GRADE71
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION	Codes and description for GRADE71 apply to this variable for the school year September 1972 through June, 1973.

P0204

GRADE73

VARIABLE TITLE	HIGHEST GRADE COMPLETED, SCHOOL YEAR SEPT '73 - June '74
ALLOWABLE CODES	See P0200, GRADE71
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION	Codes and description for GRADE71 apply to this variable for the school year September, 1973 through June, 1974.

P0205

SCHTYP73

VARIABLE TITLE	SCHOOL TYPE CODE, SCHOOL YEAR SEPT '73 - JUNE '74
ALLOWABLE CODES	See P0201, SCHTYP71
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION	Codes and description for SCHTYP71 apply to this variable for the school year September 1973 through June, 1974.

VARIABLE TITLE	EVER BEEN EMPLOYED
ALLOWABLE CODES	00 = No 01 = Yes 93 = Person has no Econ Base data: not there at time of interview, or not male or female head 94 = Missing data
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION	This variable gives, for each male and female head, a yes-no response to whether the person had ever been employed as of the Econ Baseline Interview.
QUESTION TEXT	Each respondent was asked: Have you ever been employed?"
VARIABLE DERIVATION	Responses from male and female heads were taken directly.

VARIABLE TITLE	EVER WORKED FOR A FAMILY BUSINESS
ALLOWABLE CODES	00 = No 01 = Yes 93 = Person has no Econ Base data; not there at time of interview, or not a family head 94 = Missing data
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION	This variable gives, for each male and female head, a yes-no response about employment in a family business.
QUESTION TEXT	The respondent was asked: "Have you ever worked in a family business without pay?"
VARIABLE DERIVATION	Responses from family heads were taken directly from the interviews.

VARIABLE TITLE	YEAR STARTED TO WORK
ALLOWABLE CODES	00-70 = Last two digits of year 93 = Person has no Econ Base data: not there at time of interview, <u>or</u> family head 94 = Missing data
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION	This variable shows, for male and female heads, the last two digits of the year in which person began working, as reported on the Econ Baseline.
QUESTION TEXT	The respondent was asked: "In what year did you begin working at any job."
VARIABLE DERIVATION	The year given was assigned for this variable. In cases where an earlier year was given for the next variable, the year when the person began working full-time, this variable was given a missing data code.
COMMENTS	The wording of this variable is somewhat ambiguous, and apparently several different types of responses were given--for example, some persons gave the date they began their most recent job while some gave earlier dates. Though the data have been cleaned as much as possible, there may still be inconsistencies.

VARIABLE TITLE	YEAR STARTED FULL-TIME WORK
ALLOWABLE CODES	00-70 = Last two digits of year 93 = Person has no Econ Base data: not there at time of interview, or not family head 94 = Missing data
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION	This variable shows, the male and female heads, the year in which the person said he/she began working full-time.
QUESTION TEXT	The respondent was asked: "In what year did you begin working full time at any job?"
VARIABLE DERIVATION	The year given was used. Where there was no year given, or the person said they never worked full-time, or interviewers or coders entered various types of not applicable codes, the variable has been assigned a missing data code.
COMMENTS	There were a number of inconsistencies in the reporting and coding of this variable, compounded by rather confusing wording. The positive values given are, however, presumably fairly reliable.

VARIABLE TITLE	TOTAL NUMBER OF JOBS HELD IN WORKING CAREER
ALLOWABLE CODES	00-90 = Number of jobs held 93 = Person has no Econ Base data: was not present at time of interview, or not a head 94 = Missing data
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION	This variable shows, for male and female heads, the number of jobs they reported holding in their working life.
TEXT DESCRIPTION	The respondent was asked: "How many jobs have you held since you began your working career?"
VARIABLE DERIVATION	There were a number of inconsistencies found when comparing this figure to other similar figures. The data were cleaned where possible with reference to other job counts and, where still inconsistent, they were assigned missing data codes.
COMMENTS	Two problems seem to plague job count variables: one is the difficulty of defining "job". Some persons considered both part- and full-time jobs, while some did not; some persons considered jobs within the same company as separate jobs, while others did not, and so on. Secondly, the job count variables were not always reported cumulatively. Thus, inconsistencies may continue to show up for this variable.

VARIABLE TITLE	NUMBER OF JOBS HELD IN LAST FIVE YEARS
ALLOWABLE CODES	00-90 = Number of jobs 93 = Person has no Econ data: was not present at time of interview, <u>or</u> not family head 94 = Missing data
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION	This variable gives, for male and female heads answering the Econ Baseline Interview, the number of jobs they reported holding over the past five years.
TEXT DESCRIPTION	The respondent was asked: "How many jobs have you held in the last 5 years?"
VARIABLE DERIVATION	The data were cleaned where possible, and inconsistencies resolved with reference to other similar variables. Where it was not possible to clean the data with any degree of certainty, missing data codes were assigned.
COMMENTS	As noted under the total number of jobs variable, there were two basic problems with the job count variables. The term "job" was not completely defined and had several possible interpretations; and respondents and/or interviewers did not always seem to report cumulative totals of jobs overtime. Therefore, inconsistencies may still appear for this set of variables.

VARIABLE TITLE	NUMBER OF JOBS HELD IN LAST THREE YEARS
ALLOWABLE CODES	00-90 = Number of jobs 93 = Person has no Econ Base data: was not present at the time of interview, <u>or</u> not a head 94 = Missing data
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION	This variable shows, for male and female heads answering the Econ Baseline Interview, the number of jobs they reported holding over the previous three years.
TEXT DESCRIPTION	The respondent was asked: "How many jobs have you held in the past 3 years?"
VARIABLE DERIVATION	These responses were cleaned, where possible, with reference to other similar variables. Where it was not possible to clean the data with any degree of certainty, missing data codes were assigned.
COMMENTS	As noted, both the definition of "job" and the concept of cumulative number of jobs over time were unclear to interviewers and respondents. Despite the work done on cleaning the data and deleting inconsistent answers, there may still be some inconsistencies in this set of variables.

VARIABLE TITLE	NUMBER OF JOBS HELD IN LAST YEAR
ALLOWABLE CODES	00-90 = Number of jobs 93 = Person has no Econ Base data: was not present at time of interview, <u>or</u> not a head 94 = Missing data
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION	This variable shows, for male and female heads answering the Econ Baseline Interview, the number of jobs they reported holding during the previous year.
TEXT DESCRIPTION	The respondent was asked: "How many jobs have you held in the past year?"
VARIABLE DERIVATION	Inconsistent responses were cleaned as far as possible with reference to the other job count variables and other employment information. Where it was not possible to make the responses perfectly consistent, missing data codes were used.
COMMENTS	As noted, both the definition of "job" and the concept of the cumulative number of jobs over time seemed to be unclear to respondents and interviewers. Despite the cleaning of the data, there may still be some inconsistent responses on the file.

VARIABLE TITLE — REVISED 1969 INCOME DOLLARS

ALLOWABLE CODES

00000-90000 = Dollars of income
99993 = Person has no Econ Base Data: was not there at time of interview, or not head
99994 = Missing data

VARIABLE DESCRIPTION

This variable gives, for male and female heads answering the Econ Baseline, the amount of personal (earned) income in the year before the interview was given. For most persons this was 1969; for those interviewed later, identified by family numbers in the 5000's, the year was 1970. The income amount is given in dollars.

TEXT DESCRIPTION

The respondent was asked: "Waht was your total personal income for 1979; before taxes and deductions?"

The response was expected to be in dollars only.

VARIABLE DERIVATION

A fair amount of cleaning was necessary to obtain consistent answers to this variable. The original responses varied in that some included earned income only, some included nonwage income with earnings, while some--those who had not worked during the previous year--reported nonwage income only. Interviewer and coding errors were also present where interviewers put down a dollars and cents value rather than a dollar amount.

The cleaning of the data aimed at giving a consistent measure of earned income for each person. Thus, the total was compared with reported nonwage income and current income, and periods of employment and unemployment were considered as well. For instance, a person reporting having been unemployed for the last 18 months was not expected to have earned income over that period.

Obvious coding errors were likewise repaired.

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COMMENTS	Though substantial changes were made to the originally reported amounts, the actions involved were straightforward, and the final value reasonably reliable.

VARIABLE TITLE	CURRENTLY EMPLOYED
ALLOWABLE CODES	00 = No 01 = Yes 03 = Person has no Econ Base data: not there at time of interview, or not male or female head 94 = Missing data
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION	This variable gives, for male and female heads answering the Econ Baseline interview, the yes-no answer to the current work status.
TEXT DESCRIPTIONS	The question read: "Are you currently employed?" with yes and no responses specified.
VARIABLE DERIVATION	The response was assigned to the person record.

VARIABLE TITLE	NUMBER OF MONTHS OF EXPERIENCE ON CURRENT/MOST RECENT JOB
ALLOWABLE CODES	000 = No data: not available or not applicable 001-900 = Months of experience 993 = Person has no Econ Base data: not there for interview, or not family head 994 = Missing data
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION	This variable gives the length of time each head responding to the Econ Baseline interview worked at his/her current or most recent job. The time is given in number of months.
TEXT DESCRIPTION	The question was asked of persons working now or who had worked within the past year. The text read: "How long haveyou been/were you on your present job? RECORD EXACT TIME EMPLOYED ON THIS JOB. Years _____ Months _____"
VARIABLE DERIVATION	The time recorded was converted to months, where necessary, and assigned to the person record.
COMMENTS	Descrepancies seem to appear between this and other variables concerning the current/most recent job.

VARIABLE TITLE	INDUSTRY CODE, CURRENT/MOST RECENT JOB
ALLOWABLE CODES	000 = No data: not available or not applicable 001-900 = Industry code (see attachment C of RFD) 993 = Person has no Econ Base data; not there at time of interview, or not male or female head 994 = Missing data
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION	This variable gives, for each male and female head, a code for the industry in which he/she was employed at the time of the Econ Baseline Interview, or the most recent job. Standard Census Bureau industry codes were used.
TEXT DESCRIPTION	The person was asked: "Waht kind of business or organization is/was this? (FOR EXAMPLE: A STEEL MILL, GASOLINE STATION, THE CITY OF GARY, AND SO ON. IF NECESSARY: "WHAT DOES THIS ORGANIZATION DO OR MAKE?)"
VARIABLE DERIVATION	The interviewer wrote down the person's description of the industry and coders assigned the correct code to that description.

VARIABLE TITLE	CURRENT LABOR FORCE STATUS
ALLOWABLE CODES	00 = Unemployed and not intending to work 01 = Employed or intending to work 02 = Unemployed and intending to work 93 = Person has no Econ Base data: not there at time of interview, or not male or female head 94 = Missing data
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION	This variable elucidates, for male and female heads responding to the Econ Baseline interview, the person's labor force status and intentions at the time of the interview.
TEXT DESCRIPTION	The major question used for this variable is that used in the previous variable, P0215, on the person's employment status. Further questions used were those indicating whether or not the person was planning to look for work,/actively looking for work; was temporarily laid off or on strike, but expecting to return to the job.
VARIABLE DERIVATION	If the person was currently employed, or was looking for or planning to look for work, he/she was given an 01 code; if the person was unemployed, and indicated in other questions the intention of getting a job or going back to a job, he/she was given an 02 code. All other situations were assigned to the 00 code.

VARIABLE TITLE	OCCUPATION CODE, CURRENT/MOST RECENT JOB
ALLOWABLE CODES	000 = No data: not available or not applicable 001-990 = Occupation code (see attachment D of RFD) 993 = Person has no Econ Base data: not there at time of interview, or not male or female head 994 = Missing data
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION	This variable gives, for each male and female head, a code for the occupation on his/her job at the time of the Econ Baseline Interview or the most recent job. Standard Census Bureau occupation codes were used.
TEXT DESCRIPTION	The person was asked: "What kind of work do/did you do? (FOR EXAMPLE; STEEL MILL FOREMAN, STORE CLERK, GORCERY STORE CASHIER, HIGH SCHOOL TEACHER, AND SO ON)."
VARIABLE DERIVATION	The description given to the interviewer was coded and assigned to the person record for male and female heads.

VARIABLE TITLE	DO WORK HOURS VARY WITH THE SEASON
ALLOWABLE CODES	00 = No 01 = Yes 93 = Person has no Econ Baseline Data: not there at time of interview, or not male or female head 94 = Missing data
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION	Because many jobs may vary the hours by season--construction work, for example--the person was asked about this as part of understanding the nature of his/her job. The yes-no response is given here for each male and female head who responded to the Econ Baseline interview.
TEXT DESCRIPTION	The question read: "Does the number of hours you work vary with the season?"
VARIABLE DERIVATION	The response was assigned to the correct person record.

VARIABLE TITLE	SEASON OUT OF WORK
ALLOWABLE CODES	00 = No 01 = Spring 02 = Summer 03 = Fall 04 = Winter 93 = Person has no Econ Base data: not present at time of interview, or not male or female head 94 = Missing data
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION	This response is intended to further clarify the respondent's job. The answer is given for each male and female head who had the Econ Baseline interview.
TEXT DESCRIPTION	The person was asked: "Are you out of work usually during a particular season of the year? (0) no, (1) spring, (2) summer, (3) fall, (4) winter."
VARIABLE DERIVATION	The response was assigned to the correct person record. All not applicable/missing data codes for heads who did have the interview were converted to 94.

VARIABLE TITLE

HOURS WORKED PER WEEK IN MOST RECENT PAY PERIOD, WORKING FOR SOMEONE ELSE

ALLOWABLE CODES

000 = No hours worked: Not applicable or data not available
001-900 = Hours worked per week
993 = No Econ Base data for person: not there at time of interview or not a head
994 = Missing data

VARIABLE DESCRIPTION

This variable gives, for male and female heads responding to the Econ Baseline interview, and working for someone else, the weekly hours worked in the most recent pay period worked. Because pay periods varied in time covered, all hours reported by pay period were converted to weekly hours.

TEXT DESCRIPTION

These data were collected on a grid ("Schedule 1") along with several other items about the person's current or most recent job. Each item was asked for each of the last seven pay periods, and was thus related to an earlier question on how often the person was paid.

The specific question on hours read: "How many hours per pay period did you put in?"

VARIABLE DERIVATION

The number of hours reported for the most recent pay period was converted to a weekly number according to the length of each pay period.

Further, comparison was done between these hours reported, and similar questions earlier in this interview and also on P1 data when the job was the same. Hours, wage rates, and gross reported were also checked for consistency. Inconsistencies found were changed, as far as possible, to conform to the rest of the data.

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COMMENTS

Despite the vast amount of work put into cleaning up these data, there are still possible inconsistencies in these data.

VARIABLE TITLE

WEEKLY OVERTIME HOURS IN MOST RECENT PAY PERIOD, WORKING FOR SOMEONE ELSE

ALLOWABLE CODES

00 = No overtime hours; not applicable or not available
01-90 = Weekly overtime hours
93 = Person has no Econ Base data; not there at time of interview or not male or female head
94 = Missing data

VARIABLE DESCRIPTION

This variable gives, for male and female heads responding to the Econ Baseline interview and working for someone else, the weekly overtime hours worked in the most recent pay period. Because the time covered by pay periods varied, reported overtime hours were converted to a standard weekly number.

TEXT DESCRIPTION

These data were collected on a grid ("Schedule 1") along with several other items about the person's current or most recent job. Each item was asked for each of the last seven pay period, and was thus related to an earlier question on how often the person was paid.

Overtime hours were not asked per se, but were calculated whenever the hours appeared to be greater than usual, and whenever an overtime rate could be constructed based on reported overtime pay (or when a calculated overtime rate/pay relationship explained an inconsistency in pay data even though specific overtime data were missing).

VARIABLE DERIVATION

This variable was derived based on several other variables, such as hours worked, overtime pay, base and gross pay, and so on, and with regard to data collected in other parts of the interview.

When hours or overtime pay data were missing or not easily calculated with reference to the other variables, this variable was given a missing data code.

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VARIABLE DERIVATION (continued)	Hours given here are taken from or inferred for the most recent pay period.
COMMENTS	Calculation of the overtime hours was a complex operation in which a large amount of discretion was used.

VARIABLE TITLE

HOURLY WAGE RATE IN CENTS, MOST RECENT PAY PERIOD, WORKING FOR SOMEONE ELSE

ALLOWABLE CODES

0000 = No wage rate: inapplicable or not available
0001-9990 = Wage rate in cents
9993 = Person has no Econ Base data: not there at time of interview or not male or female head
9994 = Missing data

VARIABLE DESCRIPTION

This variable gives, for male and female heads responding to the Econ Baseline interview, and working for someone else, the hourly wage rate for the most recent pay period. The variable was calculated from other data given on the current or most recent job.

TEXT DESCRIPTION

These data were derived from answers to questions on the person's current or most recent job which were collected on a grid called "Schedule 1". Each item on the grid was asked of the last seven pay periods, and was thus related to an earlier question on how often the person was paid.

The wage rate was not asked directly: rather, "base" and "gross pay" were asked, as well as hours worked, and a wage rate was calculated from these and other similar questions.

VARIABLE DERIVATION

There was some confusion in the collection of base and gross pay data which demanded a great deal of cleaning early on in dealing with orginal file. Once a reasonable amount of base pay had been calculated, an hourly rate was derived using regular hours worked.

The results were checked against external data--that is, responses to other parts of the Econ Base interview and responses to similar questions on the same job in the P1 interview--and further inconsistencies were cleaned as much as possible to obtain a relatively consistent body of data.

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VARIABLE DERIVATION
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This variable shows the results found by using information from the last pay period.

VARIABLE TITLE	OVERTIME HOURLY WAGE RATE IN CENTS, MOST RECENT PAY PERIOD, WORKING FOR SOMEONE ELSE
ALLOWABLE CODES	0000 = No overtime rate: inapplicable or not available 0001-9990 = Overtime rate in cents 9993 = Person has no Econ Base data: not there at time of interview or not male or female head 9994 = Missing data
VARIABLE DESRIPTION	This variable gives, for male and female heads responding to the Econ Baseline Interview, and working for someone else, the overtime rate in cents. The variable was calculated from overtime hours and pay data.
TEXT DESCRIPTION	These data were derived from answers to questions on the persons current or most recent job which were collected on a grid called "Schedule 1". Each item on the grid was asked of each of the last seven pay periods, and was thus related to an earlier question on how often the person was paid. Overtime rates were not asked directly but were calculated from overtime hours (themselves calculated) and reported overtime pay earned.
VARIABLE DERIVATION	Overtime hours were calculated (see RCNTOT, P0223) and overtime pay for the pay period was reported. There were, in fact, several different ways of reporting overtime pay, each of which needed a different handling. The amounts were made consistent (as far as possible) and the rate was calculated with reference to the overtime hours worked and the regular hourly wage rate (see RCNTWAGR, P0224). This variable shows the overtime rate found by using only data from the most recent pay period.

VARIABLE TITLE	GROSS WEEKLY PAY IN CENTS, MOST RECENT PAY PERIOD, WORKING FOR SOMEONE ELSE
ALLOWABLE CODES	000000 = No pay: inapplicable or unavailable 000001-900000 = Cents 999993 = Person has no Econ Base data: not there at time of interview or not male or female head 999994 = Missing data
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION	This variable gives the gross weekly pay as reported for the most recent pay period, for male and female heads responding to the Econ Baseline interview.
TEXT DESCRIPTION	The person was asked a series of questions on the current or most recent job. The questions were asked for each of the seven most recent pay periods, and were entered on a grid called "Schedule 1". The question used here was "What was your total gross pay before any deductions were made?"
VARIABLE DERIVATION	The amounts reported were assigned to the correct records.
COMMENTS	Of all the Schedule 1 questions, this was the most readily answered and the most accurate. It was used as a base of comparison for other hours and wages variables.

VARIABLE TITLE	NORMAL HOURS WORKED PER WEEK, WORKING FOR SOMEONE ELSE
ALLOWABLE CODES	00 = No hours worked: not applicable or data not available 01-90 = Hours worked per week 93 = No Econ Base data for person: not there at time of interview or not a head 94 = Missing data
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION	This variable gives, for male and female heads responding to the Econ Baseline interview, and working for someone else, the normal weekly hours worked. Because pay periods varied in time covered, all hours reported by pay period were converted to weekly hours.
TEXT DESCRIPTION	These data were collected on a grid ("Schedule 1") along with several other items about the person's current or most recent job. Each item was asked for each of the last seven pay periods, and was thus related to an earlier question on how often the person was paid. The specific question on hours read: "How many hours per pay period did you put in?"
VARIABLE DERIVATION	The number of hours reported was converted to a weekly number according to the length of each pay period, and hours for each of the last seven periods were averaged. Further, comparisons were done between these hours reported, and similar questions earlier in this interview and also on P1 data when the job was the same. Hours, wage rates, and gross pay reported were also checked for consistency. Inconsistencies found were changed, as far as possible, to conform to the rest of the data.
COMMENTS	Despite the vast amount of work put into cleaning up these data, there are still possible inconsistencies in these data.

VARIABLE TITLE	NORMAL OVERTIME HOURS PER WEEK, WORKING FOR SOMEONE ELSE
ALLOWABLE CODES	00 = No overtime hours: not applicable or not available 01-90 = Weekly overtime hours 93 = Person has no Econ Base data: not there at time of interview or not male or female head 94 = Missing data
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION	This variable gives, for male and female heads responding to the Econ Baseline interview and working for someone else, the normal weekly overtime hours worked. Because the time covered by pay periods varied, reported overtime hours were converted to a standard weekly number.
TEXT DESCRIPTION	These data were collected on a grid ("Schedule 1") along with several other items about the person's current or most recent job. Each item was asked for each of the last seven pay periods, and was thus related to an earlier question on how often the person was paid. Overtime hours were not asked per se, but were calculated whenever the hours appeared to be greater than usual, and whenever an overtime rate could be constructed based on reported overtime pay (or when a calculated overtime rate/pay relationship explained an inconsistency in pay data even though specific overtime data were missing).
VARIABLE DERIVATION	This variable was derived based on several other variables, such as hours worked, overtime pay, base and gross pay, and so on, and with regard to data collected in other parts of the interview.

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VARIABLE DERIVATION
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When hours or overtime pay data were missing or not easily calculated with reference to the other variables, this variable was given a missing data code.

The hours variable given here is the average of calculated overtime taken from or inferred for the most recent pay periods.

COMMENTS

Calculation of the overtime hours was a complex operation in which a large amount of discretion was used.

VARIABLE TITLE

NORMAL HOURLY RATE IN CENTS,/WORKING FOR SOMEONE ELSE

ALLOWABLE CODES

0000 = No wage rate: inapplicable or not available
0001-9990 = Wage rate in cents
9993 = Person has no Econ Base data; not there at time of interview or not male or female head
9994 = Missing data

VARIABLE DESCRIPTION

This variable gives, for male and female heads responding to the Econ Baseline interview, and working for someone else, the normal hourly wage rate. The variable was calculated from other data given on the current or most recent job.

TEXT DESCRIPTION

These data were derived from answers to questions on the person's current or most recent job which were collected on a grid called "Schedule 1". Each item on the grid was asked of the last seven pay periods, and thus related to an earlier question on how often the person was paid.

Wage rate was not asked directly: rather, "base pay" and "gross pay" were asked, as well as hours worked, and a wage rate was calculated from these and other similar questions.

VARIABLE DERIVATION

There was some confusion in the collection of base and gross pay data which demanded a great deal of cleaning early on in dealing with the original file. Once a reasonable amount of base pay had been calculated, an hourly rate was derived using regular hours worked.

The results were checked against external data--that is, responses to other parts of the Econ Base interview and responses to similar questions on the same job in the P1 interview--and further inconsistencies were cleaned as much as possible to obtain a relatively consistent body of data.

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VARIABLE DERIVATION
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This variable shows the average wage rate calculated from information for the last of pay periods.

VARIABLE TITLE

NORMAL HOURLY OVERTIME WAGE RATE IN CENTS, WORKING FOR SOMEONE ELSE

ALLOWABLE CODES

0000 = No overtime rate: inapplicable or unavailable
0001-9990 = Wage rate in cents
9993 = Person has no Econ Base data: not there at time of interview or not a head
9994 = Missing data

VARIABLE DESCRIPTION

This variable gives, for male and female heads responding to the Econ Baseline Interview, and working for someone else, the overtime rate in cents. The variable was calculated from overtime hours and pay data.

TEXT DESCRIPTION

These data were derived from answers to questions on the persons current or most recent job which were collected on a grid called "Schedule 1." Each item on the grid was asked of each of the last seven pay periods, and thus related to an earlier question on how often the person was paid.

Overtime rates were not asked directly but were calculated from overtime hours (themselves calculated), reported overtime pay, and the calculated regular wage rate.

VARIABLE DERIVATION

Overtime hours and regular wage rate were calculated (see NRMLOT, P0228 and NRMLWAGR, P0229) and overtime pay for the pay period was reported. There were, in fact, several different ways of reporting overtime pay, each of which needed a different handling. These amounts were made consistent (as far as possible) and the rate was calculated with reference to the overtime hours worked and the regular hourly wage rate (See P0229).

This variable shows the average overtime rate for the last seven pay periods.

VARIABLE TITLE	NORMAL GROSS WEEKLY PAY, CENTS, WORKING FOR SOMEONE ELSE
ALLOWABLE CODES	000000 = No pay; inapplicable or unavailable 000001-900000 = Cents 999993 = Person has no Econ Base data: not there at time of interview, or not head 999999 = Missing data
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION	This variable gives the normal gross weekly pay for male and female heads responding to the Econ Baseline interview.
TEXT DESCRIPTION	The person was asked a series of questions on the current or most recent job. The questions were each asked for each of the seven most recent pay periods and were entered on a grid called "Schedule 1". The question used here was "What was your total gross pay before any deductions were made?"
VARIABLE DERIVATION	The amounts reported were averaged for the seven pay periods and assigned to the correct records.
COMMENTS	Of all the Schedule 1 questions, this was the most readily answered and the most accurate. It was used as a base of comparison for other hours and wage variables.

VARIABLE TITLE	HOURS PER WEEK IN MOST RECENT PAY PERIOD, DAYWORKER
ALLOWABLE CODES	000 = No hours or data not applicable or available 001-900 = Weekly hours 993 = Person has no Econ Base data: not there at time of interview or not head 994 = Missing data
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION	This variable gives, for male and female heads responding to the Econ Baseline, the weekly hours worked in the most recent pay period. This variable covers dayworkers only.
TEXT DESCRIPTION	Dayworkers were asked a series of job questions for each day of the week for each of the previous six weeks. Responses were recorded on a grid called "Schedule 2". The hours question read: "How many hours did you work Monday?" and was repeated for each subsequent day of the week.
VARIABLE DERIVATION	The responses were summed for each day of the week for the most recent week worked. Obvious clean-up actions were performed where necessary (for instance, where an inconsistency was a keypunch error).
COMMENTS	There were not many responses to this set of questions, and the clean-up was relatively straightforward.

VARIABLE TITLE	HOURLY WAGE RATE IN CENTS, MOST RECENT PAY PERIOD, DAYWORKER
ALLOWABLE CODES	0000 = No wage rate: inapplicable or not available 0001-9990 = Hourly wage rate in cents 9993 = Person has no Econ Base data: not there at time of interview or not male or female head 9994 = Missing data
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION	This variable gives the hourly wage rate for dayworkers, for the most recent week worked. Respondents are family heads.
TEXT DESCRIPTION	Two questions were used in deriving this variable: one ascertained whether the person was paid by the hour, day or completed job; the other asked how much the person was paid by the hour, day, or completed job.
VARIABLE DERIVATION	The rates reported were averaged out over the days worked in the previous week and, where necessary, converted to hourly rates.
COMMENTS	There were not many responses to this series of dayworkers, and the responses were relatively easy to clean up.

VARIABLE TITLE	GROSS WEEKLY PAY IN CENTS, MOST RECENT PAY PERIOD, DAYWORKER
ALLOWABLE CODES	000000 = No pay 000001-999990 = Weekly pay in cents 999993 = Person has no Econ Base data: not there at time of interview, or not head 999994 = Missing data
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION	This variable gives, for heads responding to the Econ Baseline interview who were dayworkers, the gross weekly pay.
TEXT DESCRIPTION	Dayworkers were asked a series of job questions for each day of the week for each of the previous six weeks. Responses were recorded on a grid called "Schedule 2". The pay question read: "How much did you earn Monday?" and was repeated for each day of the week.
VARIABLE DERIVATION	The amount reported for each day of the most recent week worked as a dayworker were summed for a gross weekly amount.
COMMENTS	There were not many responses to the set of questions on daywork, and any clean-up involved concerned obvious errors--such as keypunch errors--and was relatively straightforward.

VARIABLE TITLE	NORMAL GROSS WEEKLY PAY, CENTS DAYWORKER
ALLOWABLE CODES	000000 = No pay 000001-999990 = Weekly pay in cents 999993 = Person has no Econ Base data: not there at time of interview, or not head 99994 = Missing data
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION	This variable gives, for heads responding to the Econ Baseline interview who were dayworkers, the gross weekly pay.
TEXT DESCRIPTION	Dayworkers were asked a series of job questions for each day of the week for each of the previous six weeks. Responses were recorded on a grid called "Schedule 2". The pay question read: "How much did you earn Monday?" and was repeated for each day of the week.
VARIABLE DERIVATION	The amounts reported for each day of the most recent week worked as a dayworker were summed for a gross weekly amount, and averaged for the 6 weeks reported.
COMMENTS	There were not many responses to the set of questions on daywork, and any clean-up involved concerned obvious errors--such as keypunch errors--and was relatively straightforward.

VARIABLE TITLE	NORMAL HOURLY WAGE RATE IN CENTS, DAYWORKER
ALLOWABLE CODES	0000 = No wage rate: inapplicable or not available 0001-9990 = Hourly wage rate, cents 9993 = Person has no Econ Base data: not there at time of interview or not male or female head 9994 = Missing data
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION	This variable gives the normal hourly wage rate for dayworkers. Respondents are family heads.
TEXT DESCRIPTION	Two questions were used in deriving this variable: one ascertained whether the person was paid by the hour, day, or completed job; the other asked how much the person was paid by the hour, day, or completed job.
VARIABLE DERIVATION	The rates reported were averaged out over the days worked for the 6 previous weeks, where necessary, converted to hourly rates.
COMMENTS	There were not many responses to this series of dayworkers, and the responses were relatively eash to clean up.

VARIABLE TITLE	NORMAL HOURS PER WEEK, DAYWORKER
ALLOWABLE CODES	000 = No hours or data not applicable or available 001-900 = Weekly hours 993 = Person has no Econ Base data: not there at time of interview or not head 994 = Missing data
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION	This variable gives, for male and female heads repsonding to the Econ Baseline, the normal weekly hours worked. This variable covers dayworkers only.
TEXT DESCRIPTION	Dayworkers were asked a series of job questions for each day of the week for each of the previous six weeks. Responses were recorded on a grid "Schedule 2". The hours question read: "How many hours did you work Monday?" and was repeated for each subsequent day of the week.
VARIABLE DERIVATION	The responses were summed for each day of the for the 6 weeks, and averaged. Obvious clean-up actions were performed where necessary (for instance, where an inconsistency was a keypunch error).
COMMENTS	There were not many responses to this set of questions, and the clean-up was relatively straightforward.

VARIABLE TITLE	NUMBER OF MONTHS OUT OF WORK
ALLOWABLE CODES	00 = No months: inapplicable 01-88 = Number of months 88 = Over five years out of work 93 = Person has no Econ Base data: Not there at time of interview, or not male/female head 94 = Missing data
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION	This variable gives, for male and female heads who was not working at the time of the Econ Base interview, the number of months he/she had not been working.
QUESTION TEXT	The question read: "How many weeks have you been out out of work? RECORD NUMBER OF WEEKS SINCE R. LAST WORKED. IF MORE THAN 52, RECORD MONTHS AND WEEKS."
VARIABLE DERIVATION	Reported time spans were converted to months and assigned to the person record.

VARIABLE TITLE	PLAN TO GO BACK TO WORK WITHIN 30 DAYS
ALLOWABLE CODES	00 = No 01 = Yes, definitely, has job arranged 02 = Yes, if can find a job 93 = Person has no Econ Base data: was not there at time of interview or not family head 94 = Missing data
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION	This variable gives the person's work intentions. It applies to non-working family heads who were asked the Econ Baseline.
TEXT DESCRIPTION	When not currently employed, the person was asked "Do you plan to begin working in the next 30 days?" with the responses listed above.
VARIABLE DERIVATION	The response was assigned to the correct person record.

VARIABLE TITLE

SSI (BLIND, DISABLED, OLD AGE ASSISTANCE) INCOME, DOLLARS, MONTHS 1-48, FROM PERIODICS

ALLOWABLE CODES

0000 = No dollar amount received, or question not asked
0001-9000 = Dollar amount received
9993 = Person has no periodic income data
9994 = Missing data
9997 = Question not asked for this month
9998 = Family there but person not present this month
9999 = Family and person attrited, or month after P9 interview

VARIABLE DESCRIPTION

This variable shows, for each of the 48 months covered by periodic interviews, the dollar amount of Supplemental Security Income (SSI)--earlier called Blind, Disabled, and Old Age Assistance--received by the person and reported in periodic interviews. Months covered by P1, P2, and P6 have no person amount.

TEXT DESCRIPTION

Respondent. The respondent for interview questions on SSI income was always the filer.

Universe. In P1, P2, and P6, the amount received from SSI was asked for the family as a whole; in P3-P5 and P7-P9, the question was asked of the filer for each SSI recipient.

Wording. SSI as an income source was always addressed on a list of several possible nonwage income sources. In P1-P6, the three component categories of blind, disabled, and old age assistance were considered as separate items on the list; in P7-P9 the wording was changed so that Supplemental Security Income was asked as a single income source.

In all periodics the respondent was first asked whether he/she or anyone else in the family received any income from this source in the period covered by the interview. If the response was positive, he/she was asked for the dollar amount received in each month. As indicated above, the amount was sometimes asked for the entire family and sometimes asked for each recipient.

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VARIABLE DERIVATION

For months covered by P3-P5, amounts reported for each of the three component items were aggregated for each month. For months covered by P7-P9 the amount reported was assigned to the correct month.

Months 1-17 and 33-34 were assigned 9s...7s indicating the question was not asked; for months 31-32 and 35-37, it was not possible to determine which periodic covered the month, so 9s...7s could not be assigned.

COMMENTS

The user must keep in mind that, for the months in which a person amount was collected for SSI receipt--over half the months on the file--the filer, rather than the recipient, was the respondent.

Though most zeros are true zeros, those appearing in months 31-32 and 35-37 may also indicate that the question was not asked, depending on whether these months were covered by the P6 interview.

There are several other SSI variables on the file: they are listed by subject in Appendix D.

VARIABLE TITLE

TOWNSHIP TRUSTEE INCOME, DOLLARS, MONTHS 1-48, FROM PERIODICS

ALLOWABLE CODES

0000 = No dollars reported or question not asked
0010-0539 = Dollar amount received
9993 = Person has no periodic income data
9994 = Missing data
9997 = Question not asked for this month
9998 = Family there but person not present this month
9999 = Family and person attrited, or month after P9 interview

VARIABLE DESCRIPTION

Township Trustee assistance is a local type of aid available on an emergency basis to persons or families ineligible for other assistance programs. This variable shows, for each of the 48 months covered by periodic interviews, the dollar amount of Township Trustee income received by the person is reported in periodic interviews. Months covered by P1, P2, and P6 have no person amount.

TEXT DESCRPTION

Respondent. The respondent for interview questions on Township Trustee income was always the filer.

Universe. In P1, P2, and P6, the amount received from the Township Trustee was asked for the family as a whole; in P3-P5 and P7-P9, the question was asked of the filer for each recipient.

Wording. The Township Trustee as an income source was always addressed on a list of several possible income sources. Four categories of assistance from the Township Trustee were considered: (1) rent assistance; (2) food assistance; (3) assistance with utility bills; and (4) other assistance from the Township Trustee.

Variations in these categories were few: in P4, the category of rent assistance was omitted; in P5-P9, the category "food assistance" was changed to read "food stamp assistance."

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TEXT DESCRIPTION (cont'd)	In all periodics, the respondent was first asked whether he/she or anyone else in the family received any income from this source in the time covered by the periodic. If the response was positive, he/she was asked for the dollar amount received in each month. As indicated above, the amount was sometimes asked for the family as a whole and sometimes asked for each recipient.
VARIABLE DERIVATION	The amounts reported for each of the categories of assistance were aggregated by month and the amounts thus arrived at were assigned to the appropriate months on the person record. Because P1 and P2 had no person amount, months 1-17 were assigned the 9s...7 missing data code. Because P6 had no person amount, months 33-34 were also assigned 9s...7s. For months 31-32 and 35-37, also possibly covered by P6, the 9s...7 code was not assigned as it was not possible to always determine which periodic was used for that month.
COMMENTS	The data were not collected by person for almost half the months covered by periodic interviews. Further, the filer, rather than the recipient, responded to this question. Zeros appearing in months 31-32 and 35-37 may indicate the question was not asked by person in those months, depending on whether they were covered by the P6 interview or not. Other Township Trustee items are listed by subject in Appendix D.

VARIABLE TITLE

SOCIAL SECURITY INCOME, DOLLARS PER MONTH, MONTHS 1-48, FROM PERIODICS

ALLOWABLE CODES

0000 = No dollars reported
0010-0860 = Dollar amount reported
9993 = Person has no periodic income data
9994 = Missing data
9997 = Question not asked for this month
9998 = Family there but person not present this month
9999 = Family and person attrited, or month after P9 interview

VARIABLE DESCRIPTION

This variable shows, for each of the 48 months covered by periodic interviews, the dollar amount of Social Security income received by the person and reported periodic interviews. Months covered by P1 and P2 have no person amounts.

TEXT DESCRIPTION

Respondent. In P1-P4, the filer answered all Social Security questions; in P5-P9, each person 16 or over was asked about Social Security receipt and income.

Universe. In P1 and P2, the amount received from Social Security was asked for the family as a whole in P3 and P4, it was asked of the filer for each recipient; and in P5-P9 it was asked of each adult recipient for him/herself.

Wording. In P1-P4, Social Security as a possible source or nonwage income, was listed along with several other such sources. In P5-P9, Social Security questions were shifted to the end of the labor supply questions asked of each person 16 or older.

In all cases, the responses was first asked about receipt of Social Security income during the period covered by the interview. If the response was positive, the dollar amount received was asked for each month covered.

VARIABLE DERIVATION

The person amounts reported from P3 through the last interview were assigned to the appropriate months on the person record.

Months 1-17, covered by P1 and P2, were assigned 9s...7s to indicate the question was not asked for these months.

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COMMENTS

Though the respondent shifted some way into the experiment, STATS show little fluctuation in either the frequency of response or the new amounts reported over time. The user should keep this changed in mind, however.

There are no person Social Security data for months 1-17.

Other Social Security variables on the file are listed by subject in Appendix D.

COMMENTS

A little more than half of the 48 months contain person data for this variable.

The user must remember that the respondent was the filer rather than the recipient.

Zeros appearing in months 31-32 and 35-37 may indicate the question was not asked for those months.

Other variables on Veteran's Administration income are listed by subject in Appendix D.

VARIABLE TITLE

VETERANS ADMINISTRATION INCOME, DOLLARS, MONTHS 1-48, FROM PERIODICS

ALLOWABLE CODES

0000 = No dollar amount reported, or question not asked
0014-0590 = Dollar amount
9993 = Person has no periodic income data
9994 = Missing data
9997 = Question not asked for this month
9998 = Family there but person not present this month
9999 = Family and person attrited, or month after P9 interview

VARIABLE DESCRIPTION

This variable shows, for each of the 48 months covered by the periodic interviews, the dollar amount of income from the Veterans Administration which was received by the person and reported in the periodic interviews. Months covered by P1, P2, and P6 have no person amounts.

TEXT DESCRIPTION

Respondent. The respondent for interview questions on Veterans Administration income was always the filer.

Universe. In P1, P2, and P6, the amounts of VA income were asked for the family as a whole; in P3-P5 and P7-P9 they were asked for each recipient of VA income.

Wording. The Veterans Administration as an income source was always addressed on a list of several possible nonwage income sources. If the respondent indicated income from "veterans survivors or disability benefits," he/she was asked for the dollar amount received in each month covered by the periodic.

As noted above, the amount was sometimes given for the entire family and sometimes given for each recipient.

VARIABLE DERIVATION

The amounts reported were assigned to the appropriate months on the person record.

Months always covered by P1, P2, and P6, in which person amounts were not asked, were assigned the 9s...7 missing data code. These months are 1-17 and 33-34. For other months possibly covered by P6-- months 31-32 and 35-37--9s..7s were not assigned as it was not always possible to determine which periodic covered that month.

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VARIABLE TITLE

MISCELLANEOUS NONWAGE INCOME, DOLLARS, MONTHS 1-48, FROM PERIODICS

ALLOWABLE CODES

0000 = No dollars reported, or question not asked for this month
0005-1075 = Dollar amount reported
9993 = Person has no periodic income data
9994 = Missing data
9997 = Question not asked for this month
9998 = Family there, but person not present this month
9999 = Family and person attrited, or month after P9 interview

VARIABLE DESCRIPTION

This variable is a catch-all variable which shows, for each of the 48 months covered by the periodic interviews, the dollar amount received by the person from an aggregate of sources as reported on the periodic interviews. Months covered by P1, P2, and P6 have no amounts.

TEXT DESCRIPTION

Respondent. The filer was the respondent for all the items included in this variable.

Universe. P1, P2, and P6, the questions on amounts received were asked for the family as a whole; in P3-P5 and P7-P9, they were asked the filer for each recipient.

Wording. Responses to a number of different items were included in this variable; all of the items included were amoong those listed as possible sources of nonwage income.

The items included remained basically the same throughout, with slight wording changes. In P1-P4, the items were listed as: (1) other retirement pay, pensions, and/or annuities; (2) alimony; (3) child support not included in ADC; (4) help from relatives, friends, or other private organizations; (5) foster child payments; (6) payments from private disability plans; (7) pay for job training and GI Bill; (8) inheritance; (9) life insurance death benefits; (10) earnings of children under 16 years of age, not counting money earned from other members of the family; and (11) other insurance benefits, i.e., health, accident, auto, etc.--amount of settlement not used for repairs.

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TEXT DESCRIPTION (cont'd)

In P5-P9 the item wording was, in some cases, altered, and read: (1) retirement pay, pensions, and/or annuities other than Social Security (Do not include Social Security here); (2) alimony or child support not including AFDC; (3) inheritances, gifts, or help from relatives, friends, or private organizations; (4) payments for foster child, job training, or GI Bill; (5) earnings of children under 16 years of age, don't count money earned from other members of the family who are over 16; (6) any insurance benefits, that is, death benefits, private disability benefits, health, auto (amount of settlement not used for repairs, accidents, etc.)

In P6-P9, further, the last item, on insurance, read: "Any insurance benefits, that is, death benefits, private disability benefits, health benefits, or automobile accident settlements (do not count money from an insurance company or someone involved in the accident that only paid for the repair of your car)."

The respondent was asked about receipt of benefits from each of these items in turn. Any positive response led to a question on the amount of money received each month covered by the periodic. As noted above, the amounts were sometimes collected by family and sometimes by person.

VARIABLE DERIVATION

The reported amounts were summed for all sources in each month and assigned to that month the person record.

Months 1-17 and 33-34 were assigned 9s...7s to indicate the question was not asked for those months. For months 31-32 and 35-37, 9s...7s were not assigned as it was not always possible to determine which interview was used for a particular month.

COMMENTS

These items were aggregated into one "miscellaneous" variable because no single one of them had consistent positive responses. The STATS indicate a fair amount of fluctuation in both number of responses and amounts received across months.

The user must remember that almost half of the 48 months have no person amounts, and that the filer responded for the recipient.

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COMMENTS (cont'd)

Zeros in months 31-32 and 35-37 may be either true zeros or indications that the question was not asked by person for these months.

The only comparable variable on the file is the family variable MISINC, F1744-F1791.

A little more than half of the 48 months contain person data for this variable.

The user must remember that the respondent was the filer rather than the recipient.

Zeros appearing in months 31-32 and 35-37 may indicate the question was not asked for those months.

Other variables on Veteran's Administration income are listed by subject in Appendix D.

VARIABLE TITLE

MISCELLANEOUS NONWAGE INCOME, DOLLARS, MONTHS 1
FROM PERIODICS

ALLOWABLE CODES

0000 = No dollars reported, or question not asked for this month
0005-1075 = Dollar amount reported
9993 = Person has no periodic income data
9994 = Missing data
9997 = Question not asked for this month
9998 = Family there, but person not present this month
9999 = Family and person attrited, or month after P9 interview

VARIABLE DESCRIPTION

This variable is a catch-all variable which shows, for each of the 48 months covered by the periodic interviews, the dollar amount received by the pers from an aggregate of sources as reported on the periodic interviews. Months covered by P1, P2, and P6 have no amounts.

TEXT DESCRIPTION

Respondent. The filer was the respondent for al items included in this variable.

Universe. P1, P2, and P6, the questions on amo received were asked for the family as a whole; P3-P5 and P7-P9, they were asked the filer for each recipient.

Wording. Responses to a number of different i were included in this variable; all of the it included were amoong those listed as possible of nonwage income.

The items included remained basically the sa ugh- tems out, with slight wording changes. In P1-P4 ns, were listed as: (1) other retirement pay, not and/or annuities; (2) alimony; (3) child su s, or included in ADC; (4) help from relatives, f yments; other private organizations; (5) foster ch pay for (6) payments from private disability plans; life job training and GI Bill; (8) inheritance; ldren insurance death benefits; (10) earnings of ned from under 16 years of age, not counting money nsurance other members of the family; and (11) oth amount benefits, i.e., health, accident, auto, e of settlement not used for repairs.

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TEXT DESCRIPTION (cont'd)

In P5-P9 the item wording was, in some cases, altered, and read: (1) retirement pay, pensions, and/or annuities other than Social Security (Do not include Social Security here); (2) alimony or child support not including AFDC; (3) inheritances, gifts, or help from relatives, friends, or private organizations; (4) payments for foster child, job training, or GI Bill; (5) earnings of children under 16 years of age, don't count money earned from other members of the family who are over 16; (6) any insurance benefits, that is, death benefits, private disability benefits, health, auto (amount of settlement not used for repairs, accidents, etc.)

In P6-P9, further, the last item, on insurance, read: "Any insurance benefits, that is, death benefits, private disability benefits, health benefits, or automobile accident settlements (do not count money from an insurance company or someone involved in the accident that only paid for the repair of your car)."

The respondent was asked about receipt of benefits from each of these items in turn. Any positive response led to a question on the amount of money received each month covered by the periodic. As noted above, the amounts were sometimes collected by family and sometimes by person.

VARIABLE DERIVATION

The reported amounts were summed for all sources in each month and assigned to that month the person record.

Months 1-17 and 33-34 were assigned 9s...7s to indicate the question was not asked for those months. For months 31-32 and 35-37, 9s...7s were not assigned as it was not always possible to determine which interview was used for a particular month.

COMMENTS

These items were aggregated into one "miscellaneous" variable because no single one of them had consistent positive responses. The STATS indicate a fair amount of fluctuation in both number of responses and amounts received across months.

The user must remember that almost half of the 48 months have no person amounts, and that the filer responded for the recipient.

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COMMENTS (cont'd)

Zeros in months 31-32 and 35-37 may be either true zeros or indications that the question was not asked by person for these months.

The only comparable variable on the file is the family variable MISINC, F1744-F1791.

P0480-
P0527

OTHINC1-
OTHINC48

VARIABLE TITLE

OTHER (UNSPECIFIED) INCOME, DOLLARS, MONTHS 1-48 FROM PERIODICS

ALLOWABLE CODES

0000 = No dollar amount reported, or question not asked for this month (P6)
0005-0779 = Dollar amount reported
9993 = Person has no periodic income data
9994 = Missing data
9997 = Question not asked for this month
9998 = Family there but person not present this month
9999 = Family and person attrited, or month after P9 interview.

VARIABLE DESCRIPTION

This variable shows, for each of the 48 months covered in the periodic interviews, the dollar amounts received by the person from "other", or unspecified sources, as reported in the periodic interviews. Months covered by P1, P2, and P6 have no amounts.

TEXT DESCRIPTION

Respondent. The respondent for this item was always the filer

Universe. The P1, P2, and P6, the dollars question was asked for the family as a whole; in P3-P5 and P7-P9, the question was asked of the filer for each recipient.

Wording. The last item in the list of possible nonwage income sources was always a probe for any not-yet-discussed source of income. In P1-P4 the filer was simply asked about "Anything else?" and, if the response was positive, asked for the amount received by month.

In P5-P9, the filer was asked about "Other sources of Income; please describe each different source. (You should not include NCF /Gary payment/, Social Security, AFDC, or Food Stamp income.) Again, a positive response led to asking the dollar amount.

VARIABLE DERIVATION

The amount reported for each month was assigned to the appropriate month on the file. Where more than one "other" source was cited, the amounts were summed.

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VARIABLE DERIVATION (cont'd	The 9s...7 missing data code was assigned to months 1-17 and months 33-34, which were always covered by P1, P2, or P6. For months 31-32 and 35-37, 9s...7s were not assigned, as it was not always possible to determine which interview covered a particular month.
COMMENTS	Zeros in months 31-32 and 35-37 may be true zeros or may indicate that the question was not asked by person that month. In early periodics the respondent apparently often included the Gary amount received by the family. This affects months 18-25 on the person record, after which experiment income was explicitly excluded.

VARIABLE TITLE

REGULAR JOB EARNINGS, WORKING FOR SOMEONE ELSE, MONTHS 1-48 DOLLARS, FROM PERIODICS

ALLOWABLE CODES

0000 = No dollars reported
0005-5760 = Dollar amount reported
9993 = Person has no periodic income data
9994 - Missing data
9998 = Family there but person not presnet this month
9999 = Family and person attrited, or month after P9 interview

VARIABLE DESCRIPTION

This variable describes, for each of the 48 months covered by the periodic interviews, the dollar amount the person earned from regular jobs as reported on the periodic interviews. A regular job is one in which the person works for a company or for someone else on a regular or permanent basis--not on a day-to-day or casual basis; self-employed jobs are excluded from this definition.

TEXT DESCRIPTION

Respondent/Universe. Each person 16 or older responded for him/herself. The questions were asked of persons who were currently employed or had been employed at some time during the interview period, and whose jobs were regular jobs.

Wording. In P1-P3, regular job earnings were asked for up to four jobs; in P4-P9 the maximum number of jobs was three. The earnings question itself underwent some wording changes over time.

In P1-P3 the question read: "How much per month would you say you made on that job before taxes and other deductions?"

A qualification was added to this question in P4 which read: "Please include all wages, tips, commissions, bonuses, etc." and in P5-P6 this qualification became: "Please include all wages, tips, incentive pay, bonuses, etc."

In all of these periodics (P1-P6), the data were collected for each month in the interview period.

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TEXT DESCRIPTION (cont'd)	In P7-P9 the wording was a bit different. The respondent was asked, for each month: "We are interested in how much you received on this job this month. Please include all wages, tips, incentive pay, etc. First, what was your gross pay before taxes and other deductions?"
VARIABLE DERIVATION	The amounts reported for each job for each month were summed and assigned to the appropriate months on the family record.
COMMENTS	Users should note that this variable excludes any earnings from daywork and from self-employment. There are several other wages variables in both the family and the person record, as listed in Appendix D.

VARIABLE TITLE

DAYWORKER EARNINGS, DOLLARS, MONTHS 1-48, FROM PERIODICS

ALLOWABLE CODES

0000 = No dollars reported
0010-0960 = Dollar amount reported
9993 = Person has no periodic income data
9994 = Missing data
9998 = Family there but person not present this month
9999 = Family attrited or month after P9 interview

VARIABLE DESCRIPTION

This variable describes, for each of the 48 months covered by the periodic interviews, the dollar amount earned by dayworkers.

TEXT DESCRIPTION

Respondent/Universe. Each person 16 or older responded for him/herself. The question were asked of persons who were currently employed or had been employed at some time during the interview period as dayworkers.

Wording. In P1-P3, dayworker earnings were asked for up to four jobs; in P4-P9 the maximum number of jobs was three. The wording underwent one major revision over time.

In P1-P4, daywork was considered "working on a day-to-day basis for different people." Foe each job fitting this description, the respondent was asked for: (1) the average number of weeks worked as a dayworker in each month, and (2) the average earnings per week as a dayworker in each month.

In P5-P9 daywork could be any one of the three following items: (1) work on a day-to-day basis for a place like Manpower, Inc.; (2) doing odd jobs from time to time for different people; or (3) cleaning house for different people. The earnings question, asked for each month of this type of job, was: "How much income did you receive this month before taxes and other deductions? Include all wages, tips, incentive pay or bonuses."

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VARIABLE DERIVATION	For P1-P4, the average number of weeks worked in each month was multipled by the averaged earnings per week for each month of daywork. This amount was assigned to the appropriate month on the person record. For P5-P9 the amounts reported for each month of daywork were simply assigned to the correct month.
COMMENTS	The number of responses to this item is very small--no month has over 15 responses, and most have fewer. Dayworker earnings are not specified elsewhere on the file.

P0624-
P0671

OJINC1-
OJINC48

VARIABLE TITLE — ODD JOB INCOME, DOLLARS, MONTHS 1-48, FROM PERIODICS

ALLOWABLE CODES

0000 = No dollars reported
0002-0979 = Dollar amount reported
9993 = Person has no periodic income data
9994 = Missing data
9998 = Family there but person not present this month
9999 = Family attrited

VARIABLE DESCRIPTION — This variable shows, for each of the 48 months covered by periodic interviews, the dollar amount of earnings from odd jobs as reported in the periodic interviews.

TEXT DESCRIPTION

Respondent/Universe. Each person 16 or older responded for him/herself.

Wording. Each person was asked whether, in the time period covered by that interview, they had received any income from "jobs like babysitting, doing chores for someone, fixing or repairing something, or any other job you may have done from time to time."

If the person indicated yes, he/she was asked to tell "about how much you made from this type of income" for each month covered.

The question was the same from P1 through P9.

VARIABLE DERIVATION — The amounts reported were assigned to the appropriate month on the person record.

COMMENTS

Responses to this item are few--never more than 23 in any month

Odd job earnings are not specifically identified elsewhere on the file. The family aggregate of person amounts is given in ERNCAS, F1936-F1983.

VARIABLE TITLE

UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION AND/SUPPLEMENTAL UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS, DOLLARS, MONTHS 1-48, FROM PERIODICS

ALLOWABLE CODES

0000 = No dollars reported
0003-0576 = Dollar amount reported
9993 = Person has no periodic income data
9994 = Missing data
9998 = Family there but person not present this month
9999 = Family attrited

VARIABLE DESCRIPTION

This variable shows, for each of the 48 months covered by the periodic interviews, the dollar amount received for unemployment compensation, and, where asked, supplemental unemployment benefits, all as reported in the periodic interviews.

TEXT DESCRIPTION

Because this variable is a component of two distinct sets of questions, the two items are discussed separately.

Unemployment Compensation

Respondent/Universe. Each person 16 or older responded for him/herself. The questions were asked of everyone who said he/she had received unemployment compensation during the interview period.

Wording. In P1-P4, the respondent was asked for: (1) the month and year he/she first received unemployment compensation; (2) the amount received per week; (3) the date(s) of any change(s) in amounts along with the new amounts received per week.

These questions were asked early in the interview of persons not in the labor force at the time of the interview, and late in the interview of persons who were currently working. A few cases for which an incorrect skip pattern was given in P1-P3, leading to omission of an end date for receipt of unemployment compensation, were assigned missing data codes.

In P5-P9, the respondent was asked for: (1) the amount received per week; (2) the number of weeks the benefit was received; (3) the date(s) of any change(s) and the new amount(s) per week.

In all periodics, beginning and end dates were obtained for "past periods not working"--that is, periods of unemployment not including the current spell of unemployment.

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TEXT DESCRIPTION
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Supplemental Unemployment Benefits

Respondent/Universe. Each person 16 or older answered for him/herself. The questions were asked in P5-P9 of persons who said they had received supplemental unemployment benefits during the interview period.

Wording.. The question was not asked at all in P1-P4.

In P5-P9, the information collected was: (1) the amount of supplemental unemployment benefits received per week; (2) the number of weeks the benefit was received; (3) the date(s) of any change(s) in amount and the new amount(s).

VARIABLE DERIVATION

Where possible, the start date given for a past period not working was used as the start date for receipt of the benefit. Where this was not given, the start date was the first day of the first month in which the benefit was received.

Using the data on weekly amounts received, and change(s) in amount(s), an average weekly benefit amount was calculated. This amount was prorated to each appropriate month, from the start date on, until the number of weeks for which the benefit was received was exhausted.

The monthly amounts thus derived were summed across the two types of benefit, then assigned to the appropriate months on the person record.

COMMENTS

The STATS show few responses to this item. Aside from a short period in which over 100 cases appear, the frequency of responses is generally under 20.

VARIABLE TITLE

STRIKE BENEFITS AND WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION, DOLLARS, MONTHS 1-48, FROM PERIODICS

ALLOWABLE CODES

0000 = No dollars reported
0002-0901 = Dollar amount reported
9993 = Person has no periodic income data
9994 = Missing data
9998 = Family there but person not present this month
9999 = Family attrited

VARIABLE DESCRIPTION

This variable shows, for each of the 48 months covered by the periodic interviews, the dollar amount received for strike benefits and Workmen's Compensation as reported on periodic interviews.

TEXT DESCRIPTION

The two benefit types are described separately below:

Strike Benefits

Respondent/Universe. Each person 16 or older responded for him/herself.

Wording. In P1-P4, questions on stirke benefits were asked only of persons currently out on strike. Data collected included: (1) the date the person went out on strike; (2) the number of weeks strike benefits were received; and (3) the average weekly amount received.

In P5-P9, the data were not collected for persons presently on strike. The start date for any past period not working was asked and used for this variable. Anyone reporting receipt of strike benefits was further asked for: (1) the weekly amount received; (2) the number of weeks the benefit was received; and (3) the date of any change in the amount, along with the new amount received.

Workmen's Compensation

Respondent. In P1-P4, each person 16 or older responded to questions on this item. In P5, no Workmen's Compensation data were asked. In P6-P9, the item was moved to the nonwage income list, and the filer responded.

Universe. In P1-P4, each person answered for him/herself. P5 omitted these questions entirely. In P6, the filer responded for the family as a whole. In P7-P9, the filer responded for each person 16 or older.

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TEXT DESCRIPTION

Workmen's Compensation (cont'd)

Wording. In P1-P4, any person reporting receipt of Workmen's Compensation was asked for the amount received in each month of the interview period.

In P5 the item was entirely omitted.

In P6-P9, Workmen's Compensation was treated along with other sources of nonwage income. The filer was asked whether he/she or anyone else in the family received Workmen's Compensation. If the response was positive, the monthly dollar amount was asked. As noted, the amount was sometimes asked by family and sometimes by person.

VARIABLE DERIVATION

Amounts received as strike benefits were weekly amounts. These were prorated, beginning with the date the strike began (P1-P4) or the start date of the unemployment period. and ending when the reported number of weeks of payments was exhausted.

Workmen's Compensation amounts, being monthly, were assigned to the appropriate months.

The two categories were summed for each month.

COMMENTS

There are many differences over periodics in the manner of data collection for this variable.

There are only a couple of responses to this variable each month and, in fact, for some of the months when Workmen's Compensation was not asked, there are no responses at all--implying that most of the positive responses indicate receipt of Workmen's Compensation rather than strike benefits.

P0768-
P0776

EMPSTAT1-
EMPSTAT9

VARIABLE TITLE

EMPLOYMENT STATUS AT TIME OF INTERVIEW, PERIODICS 1-9

ALLOWABLE CODES

00 = Unemployed
01 = Employed
02 = Not in the labor force
93 = Person has no current period data
94 = Missing data
95 = Person should have responded, but answer not available (did not complete this interview)
98 = Family there but person not present at month of interview

VARIABLE DESCRIPTION

This variable describes, for each of the nine periodics, the person's employment status at the time of that interview.

TEXT DESCRIPTION

The main question used in deriving this variable was the initial work status screening question in each interview. The format for this question changed somewhat in mid-experiment.

In P1-P4, the question simply read: "At the present time, are you: (1) Employed, (2) Unemployed and looking for a job, (3) Temporarily laid-off, (4) Out on strike, (5) not working and not looking for a job."

In P5-P9, the person was first asked: "Which of the following statements describe your present situation: (1) You have a job and you are working, (2) You have a job but you are not working at the present time, (3) You are not working at the present time." If the response was either 2 or 3, the person was asked for the main reason he or she was not working. The choice of reasons included being on strike or laid off, and not working due to weather, illness, or being on vacation.

A couple of questions later on in the interview, on whether the person was actively looking for a job, or when he/she expected to return to a job from which he/she had been laid off, served to confirm earlier responses about employment status.

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VARIABLE DERIVATION	
	Employed. The respondent was considered employed if he/she was working at the time of the interview, if he/she was on strike at the time of the interview, or if he/she had a job but was not working due to weather or illness or was taking vacation. Unemployed. If the person was not working and was actively looking for a job, he/she was considered unemployed. Persons who were currently laid off were also considered unemployed, whether or not they felt the lay off was temporary. Not in the labor force. Persons whose situations did not fit into one of the above categories were considered to be not in the labor force.

VARIABLE TITLE	TYPE OF WORKER AT THE TIME OF INTERVIEW, PERIODICS 1-9
ALLOWABLE CODES	01 = Working for someone else 02 = Self-employed 03 = Dayworker 93 = Person has no current period data 94 = Missing data 95 = Person should have responded, but answer not available (did not complete this interview) 98 = Family there but person not present at month of interview
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION	This variable gives, for each of the nine periodics, the respondent's type of work, if employed.
TEXT DESCRIPTION	The question from which this variable was derived changed wording once. In P1-P4, the person was asked: "On your main job are you working for someone else, self-employed, or working on a day-to-day basis for someone else?" In P5-P9, he/she was asked: "Do you: (1) Work on a day-to-day basis for a place like Manpower, Inc., (2) Do odd jobs from time to time for different people, (3) clean house for different people, (4) work in a government or private training program, (5) work for a compnay or someone else, for example, in a steel mill or supermarket, (6) own or operate your own business."
VARIABLE DERIVATION	Categorization of job type from the above questions is fairly self-evident. For P5-P9, the first three categories were considered daywork, the fourth and fifth as working for someone else, and the sixth category was considered self-employment.

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COMMENTS

It will be noted that the number of self-employed and daywork responses is quite small, and that the total number of responses ranges between 13 and 19 percent of the total experiment core person population.

VARIABLE TITLE

REASON NOT WORKING AT TIME OF INTERVIEW, PERIODICS 1-9

ALLOWABLE CODES

00-09 = Reason code: see wording below
93 = Person has no current period data
94 = Missing data
95 = Person should have responded, but answer not available (this interview not completed)
98 = Family there but person not present at month of interview

VARIABLE DESCRIPTION

This variable gives, for each of the nine periodics, the reason a person was not in the labor force, that is, was not working and was not looking for a job.

QUESTION TEXT

In P1-P4, persons who were not working and not looking for a job were asked: "What is the main reason you are not looking for a job?" In P5-P9 these persons were asked: "What is the main reason that you don't want a job (or can't accept a job) at the present time?"

In both cases the question was followed by a series of possible reasons changed with almost every interview until the last few periodics were given. They are as follows:

P1	P2	P3
0 = housewife	1 = housewife	1 = housewife
1 = full-time student	2 = full-time student	2 = full-time student
2 = retired	3 = retired	3 = retired
3 = disabled	4 = disabled	4 = disabled
4 = believe work not available	5 = believe work not available	5 = believe work not available
5 = other	6 = children	6 = children
	7 = other	7 = illness
		8 = pregnant
		9 = other

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QUESTION TEXT
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P5,6	P7,8,9
1 = taking care of some in the family like a disabled person, a very old person or a child, and did not want to leave them with someone else; would like to work, but unable to find someone to take care of these family members (children, old people, disabled people)	1 = taking care of someone in the family like a disabled person, a very old person or a child, and did not want to leave them with someone else
2 = in school	2 = would like to work, but unable to find someone to take care of these family members (children, old people, disabled people)
3 = retired	3 = in school
4 = have home responsibilities other than taking care of someone	4 = retired
5 = pregnancy	5 = have home responsibilities other than taking care of someone
6 = ill or disabled	6 = pregnancy
7 = some other reason	7 = ill or disabled
	8 = some other reasons

VARIABLE DERIVATION

The code for the reason given was simply assigned to the fields for that periodic.

COMMENTS

Even where the wording remained similar, the codes changed several times, so that it is vital to the correct meaning for each periodic.

This question was asked only of persons already established as not in the labor force, and thus differs from the monthly variable for reason employed but not working (REASON, P0993-P1040). The frequency of positive response ranges from about 25-40 percent of the total experiment adult population.

COMMENTS

The hours for persons working for someone else covered a total of seven days, while those for dayworkers, where given, covered five days. Note that this total includes overtime for persons working for someone else.

The STATS show some maximum hours which are obviously not possible: these figures have been left on the file, but the user may wish to delete them in using the data.

P0795-
P0803

HRSWEEK1-
HRSWEEK9

VARIABLE TITLE

TOTAL HOURS WORKED IN WEEK BEFORE INTERVIEW, PERIODICS 1-9

ALLOWABLE CODES

000 = No hours worked, or not working
001-685 = Hours worked
993 = Person has no current period data
994 = Missing data
995 = Person should have responded, but answer not available (person did not complete interview)
998 = Family there but person not present at month of interview

VARIABLE DESCRIPTION

This variable describes, for each of the nine periodics, the number of hours the person worked in the week before the interview. The variable does not apply to persons who were self-employed, nor does it apply to day workers after P4.

TEXT DESCRIPTION

Different questions were used to persons working for someone else and for dayworkers.

Working for someone else. Persons working for someone else were asked: "Let's talk about last week. How many TOTAL hours and overtime hours did you work each day last week. Let's start with Monday. (RECORD 00 FOR ANY DAY(S) R. DID NOT WORK.)"

Dayworkers. In P1-P4 (only), the person was asked to "Consider the last five days that you worked. We'll begin with your most recent day worked and then each one before that until we have covered the last five days worked." Then the person was asked: "How many hours per day did you work?" for each of the five days.

VARIABLE DERIVATION

The daily hours reported were added together and this sum assigned for the periodic in question.

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VARIABLE TITLE	OVERTIME HOURS WORKED IN WEEK BEFORE INTERVIEW, PERIODICS 1-9
ALLOWABLE CODES	000 = No overtime hours, or not working 001-685 = Overtime hours reported 993 = Person has no current period data 994 = Missing data 995 = Person should have responded, but answer not available (person did not have this 998 = Family there but person not present at month of interview
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION	This variable gives, for each of the nine periodics, the number of overtime hours worked by the respondent in the week before the interview. This item is not applicable to either dayworkers or self-employed persons.
TEXT DESCRIPTION	The text is the same as that given in the immediately preceding variable description, for HRSWEEK, P0795-P0803, under "Working for Someone Else". As noted, dayworkers were not considered to have overtime.
VARIABLE DERIVATION	The hours reported as overtime were added together and this sum assigned to the periodic in question.
COMMENTS	Though dayworkers and self-employed persons were not included for this variable, they form a small part of the experiment's population and this omission is not a major problem. The number of responses to this variable is relatively small, ranging from 73 to 12 responses. The maximums indicated on STATS are sometimes not correct. They have been left on the file as given, but the user may wish to discard improbable (or impossible) responses.

P0813-
P0821

HRSREG1-
HRSREG9

VARIABLE TITLE

NORMAL REGULAR HOURS WORKED PER WEEK, PERIODICS 1-9 (not asked in P1-P3)

ALLOWABLE CODES

000 = No regular hours, or not working
003-133 = Regular weekly hours
933 = Person has no current period data
994 = Missing data
995 = Person should have responded, but answer not available (this interview not complete)
997 = Question not asked in this periodic (P1-P3)
998 = Family there but person not present at month of interview

VARIABLE DESCRIPTION

This variable gives, for each of the nine periodics the number of hours the person said he or she normally worked each week. The first three periodics contain no positive data and dayworkers and self-employed persons were not asked about regular hours.

TEXT DESCRIPTION

This question was not asked for P1-P3.

In P4 the person was asked whether the number of hours reported for the last week was typical. If it was, that figure was used as "normal" hours; if it was not typical, he/she was asked: "How many hours do you normally work on this job?"

In P5-P9, the questions on the previous week were directly followed with the question: "Since _(date)_ , how many hours have you normally worked per week on this job?" Both regular and overtime hours were collected for this question in P5-P9.

VARIABLE DERIVATION

The reported hours were assigned to the fields for that periodic. For P5-P9, the reported "regular" hours were used and overtime hours ignored for this variable.

The 9s...7 NA code applies to P1-P3 indicating the question was not asked at all in these periodics.

P0822-
P0830

OTHREG1-
OTHREG9

VARIABLE TITLE	NORMAL OVERTIME HOURS WORKED PER WEEK, PERIODICS 1-9 (not asked in P1-P3)
ALLOWABLE CODES	000 = No regular overtime, or not working 004-024 = Regular weekly overtime hours 993 = Person has no current period data 994 = Missing data 995 = Person should have responded, but answer not available (this interview not complete) 997 = Question not asked in this periodic (P1-P3) 998 = Family there but person not present at month of interview
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION	This variable describes, for each of the nine periodics, the number of hours the person said he or she normally worked as overtime each week. The first three periodics contain no positive data and dayworkers and self-employed persons were not asked about overtime at all.
TEXT DESCRIPTION	The question wording is as described for HRSREG, P0813-P0821. The question was not asked at all in P1-P3, and normal overtime was not asked in P4.
VARIABLE DERIVATION	The normal overtime hours were used as reported. In P4, because normal overtime was not asked separately from normal total hours, the only positive responses for overtime hours are those given for cases when the previous week's hours were considered typical.
COMMENTS	There are relatively few responses to this question, with a range of 41 to 12 positive responses. The exclusion of dayworkers and self-employed persons is not significant.

P0831-
P0839

DSABLED1-
DSABLED9

VARIABLE TITLE	EXTENT OF DISABILITY AT TIME OF INTERVIEW, P1-P9 (not asked in P1-P4)
ALLOWABLE CODES	01 = Permanent 02 = Temporary 03 = Comes and goes 93 = Person has no current period data 94 = Missing data 95 = Person should have responded, but answer is not available (this interview not complete) 97 = Question not asked in this periodic (P1-P4) 98 = Family there put person not present at month of interview
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION	This variable gives, for each of the nine periodics, the extent of a reported disability.
TEXT DESCRIPTION	This question was not asked in P1-P4. In P5-P9, persons who did not have a job at the time of the interview, and who reported the main reason for this as "disabled or ill" were asked: "In your opinion, is this a temporary disability, a permanent disability, or is it something that simply comes and goes?"
VARIABLE DERIVATION	The appropriate code was assigned for each periodic. P1-P4 indicate a 9s...7 NA code meaning the question was not asked.
COMMENTS	The STATS indicate the number of responses as ranging between 5 and 8 percent of the entire experiment adult population. Obviously, the question asked for an entirely subjective answer.

P0840-
P0848

DISLMIT1-
DISLMIT9

VARIABLE TITLE	EXTENT DISABILITY LIMITS WORK AT TIME OF INTERVIEW, PERIODICS 1-9 (not asked in P1-P4)
ALLOWABLE CODES	01 = Does not limit work at all 02 = Limits work somewhat 03 = Completely, can do no work 04 = Either 1 or 2, not determined 93 = Person has no current period data 94 = Missing data 95 = Person should have responded, but answer is not available (this interview not complete) 97 = Question not asked in this periodic (P1-P4) 98 = Family there but person not present at month of interview
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION	This variable gives the person's own estimate of the extent to which a reported disability limits his/her ability to work.
TEXT DESCRIPTION	This question was not asked in P1-P4. In P5, the person who reported being disabled or ill was asked: "Does this disability or illness prevent you from ever having a job?" In P6-P9, the question was: "To what extent does this disability limit the work you can do?" The choices of response were: (1) not at all, (2) somewhat, (3) completely, I can do no work.
VARIABLE DERIVATION	In P1-P4 a 9s...7 NA code was assigned. For P5, if the person said the disability did limit his/her ability to work, the code assigned was 04. For P6-P9 the codes were assigned as found in the question.
COMMENTS	The frequency of response is comparable to that of the preceding disability question, P0831-P0839, DISABLED.

P0849-
P0896

TYPWRK1-
TYPWRK48

VARIABLE TITLE	TYPE OF WORKER IN EACH MONTH, MONTHS 1-48
ALLOWABLE CODES	00 = No data (person not working or data not available) 01 = Working for someone else 02 = Dayworker 03 = Working for someone else <u>and</u> dayworker, larger percent was working for someone else 04 = Working for someone else <u>and</u> dayworker, larger percent was dayworker 05 = Self-employed 07 = School employee with summer off (assumed) 08 = Holds two jobs simultaneously 93 = Person has no labor status data 94 = Missing data 98 = Family there but person not present this month 99 = Family attrited, <u>or</u> month after P9 interview
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION	This variable gives the overall type of work for each person for each of the 48 months covered by periodic interviews.
TEXT DESCRIPTION	A number of questions were used in deriving this variable. The major one was the screening question in which it was established whether the person working for someone else, or was a dayworker of self-employed. Start and end dates of all jobs established duration of each job, and industry and occupation codes were used in determining code 7. This variable was coded manually and is the definitive job type item.
VARIABLE DERIVATION	When the person had only one job in a month the type of work associated with that job was assigned to the month.

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VARIABLE DERIVATION
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When the person had held more than one job in a month the respective percents were calculated so the one with the largest percent worked could be defined.

When the person was self-employed, or held two jobs at the same time, special codes (5 and 8 respectively were assigned.

School employees were given special treatment. A search was done of all workers by industry and occupation codes to find school employees who probably have the summer off (teachers, aides, cafeteria workers, crossing guards; not janitors and secretaries). These people became NLF for the summer (mid-June to the first week in September) unless a summer job could be found.

P0897-
P0944

PCTEMP1-
PCTEMP48

VARIABLE TITLE

PERCENT OF MONTH EMPLOYED EACH MONTH, TO ONE DECIMAL PLACE, MONTHS 1-48

ALLOWABLE CODES

0000 = No data: person not employed (not applicable) or data not available
0032-1000 = Percent of month employed, to one decimal place
9993 = Person has no labor status data
9994 = Missing data
9998 = Family there but person not present that month
9999 = Person and family attrited, or month after P9 interview

VARIABLE DESCRIPTION

This variable indicates, for each of the 48 months covered by periodic interviews, the percent of the month the respondent was employed by a company or someone else, worked as a dayworker, or was self-employed.

TEXT DESCRIPTION

Employed by someone else. When the respondent was currently employed by someone else, the job start date was asked. For any other job or jobs in the interview period, both job start and end dates were obtained. In cases where the respondent had been laid off, the date of lay-off was also asked.

Dayworker. Persons who had worked as dayworkers were asked, on a month-by month basis for each job, how many weeks they had worked in each month. In the first four periodics, they were asked for the average number of weeks worked in each month; in the last five periodics they were asked the actual number of weeks.

Self-employed. Self employed persons were asked for the amount of time they put into running the business. In P1-P4 they were asked for average hours per week during the entire interview period; in P5-P9 average weekly hours were asked for each month.

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VARIABLE DERIVATION

Working for someone else. Job start and end dates were used to establish the time limits of each job; once the period employed was defined, the percent of each month employed was calculated.

The start date for each job was either: (1) the date given as the start date, or (2) the first day of the first month covered by the particular interview.

This method was designed to prevent overlapping of data or inclusion of irrelevant data. For example, in the first periodic questions are phrased "Since January 1, 1971 ...". Thus, though a job may have begun sometime in 1970, the earliest data for the interview was January 1, 1971, which was then considered the job start date.

The job end date was either: (1) the date of the job ending or lay-off, or (2) the date of the interview. This second date was used in cases where the person was still working or considered him/herself employed though not currently working--on strike or on vacation.

The percent of the month employed by someone else was considered as 100.0% for months fully covered by the start and end dates. For part months the algorithm used was:

$$\frac{\text{number of days employed that month}}{\text{number of days in that month}} \times 100.$$

Thus, for example, one day employed in a 30-day month became 3.3 percent of the month employed.

Dayworkers. The number of weeks worked each month was used to calculate the percent of the month the respondent was employed as a dayworker. The algorithm used was:

$$\frac{\text{number of days worked that month}}{4} \times 100.$$

Thus, for example, three weeks of employment as a dayworker became 75 percent of the month.

Self-employed. The few cases of self-employment were checked manually and added to the file.

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COMMENTS

The derivation of time employed as a dayworker depended on an average number of weeks worked per month in P1-P4, then on the actual number of weeks worked per month in P5-P9. The extent of this difference is difficult to gauge, though the STATS for this variable do not indicate any great overall change across periodics. There are, however, very few dayworkers on the file.

VARIABLE TITLE

PERCENT OF MONTH WORKED EACH MONTH, TO ONE DECIMAL PLACE, MONTHS 1-48

ALLOWABLE CODES

0000 = No data (not applicable or data not available)
0032-1000 = Percent of month worked, to one decimal place
9993 = Person has no labor status data
9994 = Missing data
9998 = Family there put person not present this month
9999 = Person and family attrited, or month after P9 interview

VARIABLE DESCRIPTION

This variable differs from the earlier variable on the percentage of each month employed (P0897-P0994) only in cases where the person was employed but was not actually working. Examples are persons on summer vacation or unpaid vacation, persons on sick leave or maternity leave, or persons who had been temporarily laid off. Persons with self-employed jobs were not considered in the derivation of this variable.

TEXT DESCRIPTION

The questions used in deriving this variable are described under PCTEMP, P0987-P0944 and REASON, P0993-P1040.

VARIABLE DERIVATION

In deriving this variable two preliminary checks were made. First, the percent of the month employed (P0987-P0944) was checked. If this percent was greater than zero, then a check was made as to whether there was any period of time when the person was employed but not working.

If there was no period employed but not working, no further calculation was made, and the percent of the month worked was the same as the percent of the month employed.

If there was a period during which the person was employed but not working, further steps were taken.

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VARIABLE DERIVATION
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An intermediate variable, not given on this file, was created to show the percent of each month the person was employed but not working. Determination of the beginning and end dates of any such period is described in REASON (P0993-P1040).

For months which were fully covered by these dates the percent employed but not working was 100.0 percent. For part months the algorithm used was: (number of days in the month)/(number of days worked) X 100.

Finally, this new percent of each month employed but not working was compared with the percent of each month employed, and the difference became the percent of the month actually worked.

COMMENTS

Persons on strike, on summer or unpaid vacation, or on sick leave (REASON = 1, 2, 3) are considered employed but not working, and the time spent in these categories is added to PCTNLF (P1041-P1088).

Time spent laid off (NOWORK = 4) is added to PCTUMP (P1089-P1136), is excluded from PCTWRK, and is included in PCTEMP (P0897-P0944).

PCTWRK and PCTNLF and PCTUEM should equal 100.0% The only exception should be dayworkers, for whom the sum may be less than 100.0 percent if the person worked fewer than four weeks in the month. Because it is not possible to tell whether the person is NLF or unemployed for the remainder of the month PCTNLF and PCTUEM may be zero. Dayworkers may be screened for by using TYPWRK (P0849-P0896).

VARIABLE TITLE

REASON EMPLOYED BUT NOT WORKING CODE, MONTHS 1-48

ALLOWABLE CODES

00 = No reason (not applicable or no data)
01 = On strike/labor dispute
02 = Summer or unpaid vacation
03 = Sick leave or maternity leave
04 = Laid off, expect recall to job
93 = Person has no labor status data
94 = Missing data
98 = Family there but person not present this month
99 = Person and family attrited, or month after P9 interview

VARIABLE DESCRIPTION

It was possible for a respondent to consider him/herself employed, yet to not be working. This variable indicates several reasons this seeming contradiction could occur for each of the 48 months covered by periodic interviews. It applies to cases in which the person answered in the initial screening question that he/she was employed but also reported a concurrent period or not working.

TEXT DESCRIPTION

Currently on strike. When the respondent reported being on strike at the time of the interview, he/she was asked for the date the strike began.

Currently laid off, expecting recall. This condition was used for P1-P4. When the respondent reported being temporarily laid off at the time of the interview, he/she was asked for the date of lay-off, and was further asked when he/she expected recall to the job.

Past periods not working. A series of questions was asked about any period--generally a week or longer--during which the respondent was not working. The start and end dates of such periods were obtained, and the main reason not working was asked. The list of possible reasons was quite long; those used in deriving this variable were: (1) laid off, (2) labor dispute, (3) vacation, (4) pregnancy, (5) ill or disabled.

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TEXT DESCRIPTION (continued)

In P5-P9, further questions were asked concerning shorter periods within the past period not working: the respondent was asked to define the times during which he/she was and was not looking for a job.

VARIABLE DERIVATION

Currently on strike. When the respondent was on strike at the time of the interview, months covering the time period from the date the strike began through the interview date were given a code of "01" for this variable.

Currently laid-off. In P1-P4, when the respondent considered him/herself to be temporarily laid off, and this was confirmed by giving a time span within which he/she expected to be recalled to the job, the months covering the time period from the date of lay-off through the interview date were given a code of "04".

Employed, not working. In all periodics, if the person reported him/herself to be employed in the initial screening question, yet a conflict appeared in subsequent questions--i.e., the dates of the current employment conflicted with the dates given for a period not working--the reason not working code was checked. If it was one of those listed above, the person was considered to be employed, not working, and the appropriate code was assigned to the months affected.

Past periods not working. In P5-P9, regardless of the respondent's current employment status, any past periods not working during which the person was not looking for a job, and the reason given for not working was one of those given above, the code for that reason was assigned to months in the time period(s) the person reported neither working nor looking for a job.

COMMENTS

Because we are dealing with time periods rather than employment on a month-by-month basis, a month with one of these codes may also contain other employment and/or unemployment data.

A positive reason code may, however, serve to indicate a probable difference between PCTEMP (P0987-P0944, the percent of the month employed) and PCTWRK (P0945-P0992, the percent of the month actually working).

VARIABLE TITLE

PERCENT OF MONTH NOT IN LABOR FORCE, EACH MONTH, TO ONE DECIMAL PLACE, MONTHS 1-48

ALLOWABLE CODES

0000 = No data (not applicable or not available)
0032-1000 = Percent of month not in labor force, to one decimal place
9993 = Person has no labor status data
9994 = Missing data
9998 = Person not there this month
9999 = Person and family attrited, or month after P9 interview

VARIABLE DESCRIPTION

This variable gives, for each of the 48 months covered by periodic interviews, the percent of that month the person was not in the labor force--that is, was not working and was not looking for a job. The percent is given to one decimal place.

TEXT DESCRIPTION

Though different questions and sets of situations were used for different periodics, a general pattern was followed in questions used to determine periods the person was not in the labor force.

Respondent currently not working. When the respondent was not working at the time of the interview, associated questions checked were: whether the person wanted to work; whether the person was currently looking for work or had looked for work during the interview period or since ending his/her last job; whether the person had a job at all during the interview period; whether the person had any odd-job income during the interview period; and the reason he/she wasn't working.

Pertinent dates included the date of that interview and the start date of the interview period for that periodic (in P1-P5 the start date was a specified date; in P6-P9 it was the date of the last interview); the date the person left his/her most recent job; and the date he/she started looking for a job.

Past period(s) not working. Each past period not working is defined by a start and end date. Relevant items concerning this period were: whether the person was temporarily laid off, on strike, on vacation, or sick; whether he/she wanted to work during that period; and whether he/she actively sought work during the period.

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TEXT DESCRIPTION (cont'd)

In P5-P9, several questions were added for periods not working, such as: Whether the person was looking for a job at the beginning of the period, or looked at any time during the period; whether he/she stopped looking, and whether he/she ever started looking again.

Pertinent dates, besides the start and end dates of the period, included: the date the person started looking for work; dates the person wanted to work; the date the person stopped looking for work; and the date the person started looking for work again. As usual, the date the interview period started and the current interview date were also used.

Disability. In P6-P8, any respondent reporting him/herself to be completely disabled, was asked whether the disability had occurred before the last interview.

VARIABLE DERIVATION

The derivation of this variable had two basic steps. First was the determination of the time period the person was not in the labor force--a complex operation--and secondly was the translation of these dates to a monthly percent.

I. From the questions asked, a number of situations could be distinghished to define the period the person was not in the labor force. As the questions themselves varied from periodic to periodic, so did the determination of the period not in the labor force. In general, the determination was as follows, with a few special cases noted:

Respondent currently not working. If the respondent had not looked for a job at all during the interview period, the entire interview period was considered time not in the labor force. If the date the person started looking differed from the start date of the interview period, or from the date he/she stopped working on the last job, the period not working, until he/she started looking, was used.

Furthermore, if the person contradicted him/herself--for example, said he/she was looking for work currently, yet later said he/she didn't want a job and had never had a job--he/she was considered not in the labor force for that period.

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VARIABLE DERIVATION
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Past period(s) not working. Times when the person indicated not wanting to work or not looking for a job were considered not-in-the-labor-force periods.

In P6-P9, the time period not in the labor force was defined more narrowly, as there were more questions on dates within the past period not working that the respondent did/did not want to work and did/did not look for a job.

Lay-off. If the person considered him/herself temporarily laid off, he/she was considered to still be in the labor force.

Strike, vacation, sick leave. If the person was on strike, vacation, or sick leave (that is, if the REASON code in P0993-P1040 was 1, 2, or 3 this time was added to PCTNLF.

Fifth periodic. For the fifth periodic, only past periods not working were used in defining dates the person was not in the labor force.

Disability. A person who was completely disabled since before the previous interview, as reported in P6-P8, was considered not in the labor force during the entire interview period.

Use of four-week period. In P6-P9, when the respondent was currently unemployed, and hadn't looked for work in the past four weeks, the four-week period before the interview was considered the period not in the labor force--no more precise dates were obtained.

II. The percent of the month not in the labor force was 100.0 percent for months fully covered by the start and end dates of each period not in the labor force. For part-months, the algorithm was:

$$\frac{\text{number of days NLF that month}}{\text{number of days in that month}} \times 100$$

Thus, for example, two days not in the labor force in a 30-day month became 6.6 percent.

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COMMENTS

Despite the changes in question text and variable derivation over time, the number of responses and percents derived do not show great variation in the STATS. PCTNLF added to PCTWRK and PCTUMP (P0945-P0992 and P1089-P1136, respectively) should always equal 100 percent. (Except dayworkers)

VARIABLE TITLE

PERCENT OF MONTH UNEMPLOYED EACH MONTH, TO ONE DECIMAL PLACE, MONTHS 1-48.

ALLOWABLE CODES

0000 = No data (not applicable or not available)
0032-1000 = Percent unemployed, to one decimal place
9993 = Person has no labor status data
9994 = Missing data
9998 = Family there but person not present this month
9999 = Person and family attrited, or month of the P9 interview

VARIABLE DESCRIPTION

This variable shows, for each of the 48 months covered by the periodic interviews, the percent of time the person was unemployed--that is, was not working, but wanted to work and/or was seeking a job. The percent is given to one decimal place.

TEXT DESCRIPTION

Though specific wording changes occurred over periodics, the general pattern used in deriving this variable included the following items:

Respondent currently unemployed. When the respondent was currently unemployed or not working, several other items were checked: whether the person had been temporarily laid off; whether the person was looking for a job; and whether the person wanted to work.

Pertinent dates were: the date the interview period started (in P1-P5 this was a specified date, in P6-P9 it was the date of the last interview); the current interview date; the date of lay-off; and the date the person started looking for a job.

Past period(s) not working. Each past period not working was defined by start and end dates. Relevant items concerning this period were basically whether the person was laid off and whether the person wanted to work/was looking for a job. In P5-P9, further questions were asked on periods within the basic period not working during which the perios may have stopped looking for a job (for a period of two weeks or longer) and/or started looking for a job (again).

Relevant dates, besides the start and end dates of the period were: the dates the person wanted to work/was looking for a job; the date the person stopped looking; and the date the perosn started looking again.

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VARIABLE DERIVATION
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There were two basic steps in deriving this variable: first was determination of the dates of unemployment, and secondly was calculation of monthly percents unemployed.

I. Because of changes in questions across periodics, the derivation differed across time, and numerous situations were set up to describe the time limits of unemployment periods. In general, any period in which the person reported not working was checked for responses indicating he/she was looking for work during the period. Where so indicated, that time period was given "unemployed" status.

Any time period in which the person said he/she was laid off (that is, REASON = 4) was considered a period of unemployment, whether or not the person was looking for a job.

In P5-P9, the dates of unemployment periods were more specifically defined due to the additional questions on dates looking/not looking for work.

It should further be noted that, for P5, only past periods not working were used in the derivation.

II. Once the periods of unemployment were defined with start and end dates, the percent of each month unemployed was calculated. Months fully within the unemployment period were assigned 100.0 percent. Part-months were calculated with the algorithm:

$$\frac{\text{Number of days unemployed that month}}{\text{Number of days in that month}} \times 100$$

Thus, for example, one day of unemployment in a 30-day month became 3.3%.

COMMENTS

The sum of this variable with PCTWRK and PCTNLF (P0945-P0992 and P1089-P1136, respectively) should be 100 percent. (except dayworkers)

VARIABLE TITLE

EMPLOYMENT STATUS BY MONTH, MONTHS 1-48

ALLOWABLE CODWS

01 = Person working/employed for largest percent of month
02 = Person not in labor force for largest percent of month
03 = Person unemployed for largest percent of month
04 = All three percents were zero
93 = Person has no labor status data
94 = Missing data
98 = Family there but not present this month
99 = Person and family attrited, or month after P9 interview

VARIABLE DESCRIPTION

This variable shows, for each of the 48 months covered by periodic interviews, the major employment status of the person--i.e., was he/she basically employed, not in the labor force at all, or unemployed. Self-employment is not considered in this variable.

TEXT DESCRIPTION

This variable is derived from several already-described variables:

PCTEMP1-48	P0897-P0944
PCTWRK1-48	P0945-P0992
PCTNLF1-48	P1041-P1088
PCTUMP1-48	P1089-P1136

VARIABLE DERIVATION

The derivation of each component variable is described separately under the appropriate variable numbers shown above. This status variable was derived by simple comparison of the percents given for each situation. The item with the largest percent in each month became the status for that month, and the correct code was assigned to that month on the person record.

VARIABLE TITLE

DISABILITY STATUS CODE, MONTHS 1-48

ALLOWABLE CODES

01 = Severely/permanently disabled, disability prevents person from working (P5-P9 only)
02 = Disabled; person neither worked not sought work in interview period (P1-P4)
93 = Person has no labor status data
94 = Missing data
96 = Question not applicable, person has no disability
98 = Family there but person not present this month
99 = Person and family attrited, or month after P9 interview

VARIABLE DESCRIPTION

A response to this question indicates the person was not in the labor force due to illness or disability. The code given indicates whether the data were taken from P1-P4 or from P5-P9. The variable is given by month.

TEXT DESCRIPTION

P1-P4. In P1-P4, only one disability item was asked: persons who were "not working and not looking for a job" at the time of the of the interview were given a choice of reasons for this status. Among these reasons was the item "Disabled". Such persons were later asked whether they had looked for work at any time during the interview period.

P5-P9. In P5-P9, the nature of a reported disability was probed further. If a person reported an inability to work because "you are disabled or ill", he/she was further asked if the disability prevented the person from working. If the person had had no job during the interview period, no further dates were necessary; if the person had worked at some time during the interview perod, but was currently disabled, the end date of the last job was determined.

VARIABLE

P1-P4. For months in which the data came from periodics one through four, an 02 code was assigned if the reason for not working was disability, and the person had not looked for a job during the entire interview perod.

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VARIABLE DERIVATION (cont'd)	P5-P9. For months whose data came from P5-P9, the code 01 was assigned when: (1) the person had not worked at all during the interview period and said their disability was permanent and prevented their working; and (2) the person had worked at some point during the interview period, but was currently not working due to a permanent disability which prevented working. In this latter case the months since the date last worked were signed the disability indicator.
COMMENTS	This item basically flags the number of persons who considered themselves too disabled to work. Users should note that disability questions were asked only of persons currently not in the labor force, and that the responses to P5-P9 were more specific than earlier periodics.

VARIABLE TITLE	NUMBER OF JOBS HELD EACH MONTH, MONTHS 1-48
ALLOWABLE CODES	00 = No job 01-03 = Number of jobs 93 = Person has no longest job data 94 = Missing data 98 = Family there but person not present this month 99 = Family and person attrited, or month after P9 interview
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION	This variable is a simple count of the number of jobs held in each month covered by periodic interviews.
VARIABLE DERIVATION	The variable was derived by counting up all jobs whose start and end dates included the month in question.

P1281-
P1328

EXPER1-
EXPER48

VARIABLE TITLE	NUMBER OF MONTHS OF EXPERIENCE ON LONGEST JOB AS OF THAT MONTH, MONTHS 1-48
ALLOWABLE CODES	000 = No months 001-474 = Number of months 993 = Person has no longest job data 994 = Missing data 998 = Family there but person not present this month 999 = Family and person attrited, or month after P9 interview
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION	This variable shows, for each of the 48 months covered by periodic interviews, the number of months the person has been at the current longest job.
VARIABLE DERIVATION	This item was created by counting months from the job start date to the month of the current interview. Until the person had a new job, it was cumulative.
COMMENTS	There are a few (15 or so) persons with long-term jobs--up to over 30 years of experience reported at one job. Most persons had considerably more turnover.

P1329-
P1376

INDUS1-
INDUS48

VARIABLE TITLE	INDUSTRY CODE FOR THE LONGEST JOB IN THE MONTH, MONTHS 1-48
ALLOWABLE	000 = No code (not applicable or not available) 001-857 = Industry code (see attachment C of RFD) 993 = Person has no longest job data 994 = Missing data 998 = Family there but person not present this month 999 = Family and person attrited, or month after P9 interview
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION	This variable shows, for each of the 48 months covered by periodic interviews, the assigned industry code for the longest job held in that month. The variable applies only to jobs in which the person was working for someone else.
TEXT DESCRIPTION	The wording of the industry question was the same in all periodics. It read; "What kind of business or industry is this? For example, a steel mill, city of Gary, department stores, etc. /IF RESPONSE IS VAGUE, ASK: What does the organization do or make?/ In P6-P9, if the job was the same as that held at the last interview, the industry question was not repeated.
VARIABLE DERIVATION	The longest job in each month was defined as described in the overview to interview variables. The industry types reported were assigned the appropriate codes which were assigned to the correct months on the person record.
COMMENTS	The codes included specific steel companies and the code listing in attachment c of the RFD shows the site-specific employers for which special coding decisions were made. Note that the question was asked only of persons employed by someone else. Dayworkers and self-employed persons can be identified by the type of worker code (TYPWRK, P0849-P0896).

VARIABLE TITLE — OCCUPATION CODE FOR LONGEST JOB IN THE MONTH
MONTHS 1-48

ALLOWABLE CODES

0000 = No data (not applicable or not available)
0001-0999 = Occupation code (see attachment D of RFD)
9993 = Person has no longest job data
9994 = Missing data
9998 = Family there but person not present this month
9999 = Family and person attrited or month after P9 interview

VARIABLE DESCRIPTION — This variable shows, for each of the 48 months covered by periodic interviews, the assigned occupation code for the longest job held in that month. Self-employed jobs were not included.

TEXT DESCRIPTION

Working for someone else. The person was asked, for each job held, what kind of work he/she did. In P1-P4 the wording was quite straightforward, in P5-P9 more probing was done.

The wording for P1-P4 was "Exactly what kind of work did you do on this job? (e.g., steel mill foreman, sales clerk, high school teacher, etc.)"

In P5-P9 the question read, "Exactly what kind of work did you do on this job? That is, could you give us a description of your duties. If you know the exact job title given to you by your employer, could you please tell us this job title and your duties. For example, a steel mill foreman, high school teacher, cashier, etc."

Description of job functions allowed for change within a job. If the person reported such a change, the date of the change was obtained, and the person was "What kind of work did you do for this company after your job changed?

Daywork. Dayworkers were not asked to describe their job functions until P5. The question, asked for each month included in the interview, read "Generally speaking, what kind of work did you do? For example, clerical, houseclean construction laborer."

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VARIABLE DERIVATION	The longest job was defined for each month as described in the overview to interview variables. The occupation reported was assigned the appropriate code which was placed in the fields for the correct month. Dayworkers for P1-P4 were coded manually wherever possible.

P1425-
P1472

WRKLNG1-
WRKLNG48

VARIABLE TITLE

PERCENT OF MONTH WORKED ON LONGEST JOB, MONTHS 1-48

ALLOWABLE CODES

0000 = No data (not applicable or not available)
0032-1000 = Percent worked on longest job
9993 = Person has no longest job data
9994 = Missing data
9998 = Family there but person not present this month
9999 = Family and person attrited, or month after P9 interview

VARIABLE DESCRIPTION

This variable shows, for each of the 48 months covered by periodic interview, the percent of time the person was employed at his/her longest job. The percent is given to one decimal place.

This item does not apply to persons on strike or self-employed persons. Also, time the person was employed but not working--on vacation, ill, or on maternity leave, <u>or</u> temporarily laid off--is not included.

TEXT DESCRIPTION

The questions used in deriving this variable have been described under PCTEMP (P0897-P0944) in the labor status section of variables.

VARIABLE DERIVATION

The procedures followed in calculating the percent of time on the longest job each month were basically similar to those used for PCTWRK (P0945-P0992), only applied to the longest job. Start and end dates were used to define time on that job and where part months occurred the time was prorated.

COMMENTS

This percent may vary from that found in PCTWRK, as it applies to the longest job in a month, not to the entire month. (Thus a person who changed jobs in a month without losing a day's work will have 100 percent for PCTWRK, but less than that for WRKLNG).

VARIABLE TITLE

REGULAR WEEKLY HOURS ON LONGEST JOB IN EACH MONTH, MONTHS 1-48

ALLOWABLE CODES

0000 = No data (not applicable or not available)
0002-0098 = Hours per week
9993 = Person has no longest job data
9994 = Missing data
9998 = Family there but person not present
9999 = Family and person attrited, or month after P9 interview

VARIABLE DESCRIPTION

This variable shows, for each of the 48 months covered by the periodics, the average number of hours per week the person normally worked.

TEXT DESCRIPTION

Persons working for someone else. The hours questions varied somewhat across periodics. Basically, in P1-P4, the person was asked about normal work hours for the entire period covered, both regular and overtime, and was also asked whether any change(s) took place in these normal weekly hours. In P5-P9 he/she was asked about the normal number of hours paid for in each month.

The wording was, in P1-P4, "On the average, how many hours per week were you working on this job since (beginning of interview period) or when you started work there? Please include hours for which you were paid, even though you weren't working (e.g., paid sick leave, paid vacation, and paid lunch hours)." and "How many of these hours were overtime?" If a change in the number of hours was reported, the date of the change and the new hours worked were also obtained.

In P5-P9 the questions read: "During an average work week in (month), how many total hours were you paid for? Include paid vacation, paid sick leave, etc." and "How many overtime hours did you average per week that month?" No change of hours was asked.

Dayworkers. In all periodics, dayworkers were simply asked for the average hours worked per week for each month covered by the periodic.

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TEXT DESCRIPTION (continued)

Self-employed persons. Self-employed persons were asked about the amount of time put into running the business. In P1-P4 they were asked for average hours per week for the entire interview period; in P5-P9 average hours per week were asked for each month.

VARIABLE DERIVATION

Definition of the longest job in each month is described in the overview to this section.

Persons working for someone else. In P1-P4 reported overtime hours were subtracted from regular hours worked for the average weekly hours worked. If there had been a change in weekly hours, the average weekly overtime and regular hours were calculated for the month(s) in which the change(s) had occurred and the difference was considered the average weekly hours for that month.

In P5-P9, the average overtime hours were subtracted from the average weekly hours for each month covered by the periodic.

Dayworkers. Dayworkers were not considered to have overtime hours. The average weekly hours were simply assigned to the appropriate months.

Self-employed. Self-employed persons also did not have overtime hours. The average weekly hours were assigned to months where the longest job was a self-employed one.

P1521-
P1568

HRCHNG1-
HRCHNG48

VARIABLE TITLE	HOURS CHANGE FLAG, MONTHS 1-48
ALLOWABLE CODES	00 = No change or no job 01 = Hours change in this month 93 = Person has no longest job data 94 = Missing data 98 = Family there but person not present this month 99 = Family and person attrited or after month of P9 interview
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION	This variable indicates months for which the respondent indicated he/she experienced a change in regular hours worked. The variable applies only to persons working for someone else.
TEXT DESCRIPTION	The person was asked for the date of any change in hours in P1-P4; in P5-P9 he/she was asked for average weekly hours in a month, and change inferred.
VARIABLE DERIVATION	A zero was assigned to cases where there was no change reported and a one to months in which a change appeared.
COMMENTS	This variable is a supplementary flag for hours data.

P1569-
P1616

OTHRS1-
OTHRS48

VARIABLE	WEEKLY OVERTIME HOURS ON LONGEST JOB IN EACH MONTH, MONTHS 1-48
ALLOWABLE CODES	0000 = No data (not applicable or not available) 0001-0032 = Overtime hours 9993 = Person has no longest job data 9994 = Missing data 9998 = Family there but person not present 9999 = Family and person attrited
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION	This variable shows, for each of the 48 months covered by periodic interviews, the average weekly overtime hours worked. Overtime was considered only for persons who worked for someone else.
TEXT DESCRIPTION	The text used for this variable is fully described in the variable HOURS (P1473-P1520). Basically, the respondent was asked how many hours of his/her weekly hours were overtime. In P1-P4 the questions covered the entire interview period; in P5-P9 they were asked month by month.
VARIABLE DERIVATION	For P1-P4, the reported weekly overtime hours were assigned to each month covered by the interview. For months in which a change occurred, the new hours were given for the month. For P5-P9 the average overtime hours, asked monthly, were assigned to that month on the person record.
COMMENTS	There are relatively few responses to this variable (with a maximum of 60 in any one month).

P1617-
P1664

WGRATE1-
WGRATE48

VARIABLE TITLE

HOURLY WAGE RATE ON LONGEST JOB IN EACH MONTH, IN CENTS, MONTHS 1-48

ALLOWABLE CODES

0000 = No data (not applicable or not available)
0001-5211 = Wage rate in cents
9993 = Person has no longest job data
9994 = Missing data
9998 = Family there, but person not present this month
9999 = Family and person attrited, or month after P9 interview

VARIABLE DESCRIPTION

This variable gives the hourly wage rate reported for the longest job in each month.

TEXT DESCRIPTION

Working for someone else. The respondent was asked, for each job, for his/her rate of pay before taxes and deductions, and for the time interval of this pay (hourly, weekly, monthly, etc.). He/she was also asked for date(s) of any rate change(s) and for the new rates(s).

Dayworker. The respondent was asked for his/her weekly average income in each month, for the number of weeks in each month and the average weekly hours worked in each month.

Self-employed. In P1-P4 the person was asked for total income and total operating expenses of the business for each month. In P5-P9 he/she was asked for the total he/she paid him/herself in each month.

VARIABLE DERIVATION

Wage rate were determined for all job types.

Working for someone else. If the wage rate was by the hour, it was recorded as given. Other wage rates were converted to hourly values as follows: if the rate was by day, it was divided by 8; if by week it was divided by regular hours per week (see HOURS, P1473-P1520); if biweekly, bimonthly, or monthly, it was first divided by 2, 2 1/6, or 4 1/3, then divided by regular hours per week.

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P1713-
P1760

OTRATE1-
OTRATE48

VARIABLE TITLE	OVERTIME WAGE RATIO CODE FOR LONGEST JOB IN EACH MONTH, MONTHS 1-48
ALLOWABLE CODES	00 = No overtime rate: not applicable or not available 01 = Same as regular rate 02 = Time-and-a-half 03 = Double time 04 = No overtime 05 = Other 07 = Does not apply 93 = Person has no longest job data 94 = Missing data 98 = Family there but person not there that month 99 = Family attrited or month after P9 interview
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION	This variable gives, for each person working overtime on a regular job (working for someone else), the ratio of the overtime rate to the regular wage rate.
QUESTION TEXT	The respondent was simply asked what the overtime rate ratio was and this was recorded directly on the interview
VARIABLE DERIVATION	The codes reported were assigned to the correct months on the person record, along with other data on the longest job.

VARIABLE DESCRIPTION (continued)

If the wage rate within the job changed, in a month, an average wage rate was computed for that month.

Daywork. The hourly wage rate was derived by dividing income by weeks per month then by hours per week.

Self-employed. Amounts were always monthly. For P1-P4 the net amount made from the business (income minus expenses) was converted to an hourly rate using the hours worked; resulting minus wage rates (from businesses taking a loss) became 9s...4s; for P5-P9 the person's salary (or the amount paid him/herself) was divided by hours worked in the month.

COMMENTS

There were not many dayworkers or self-employed persons. The self-employed rates are only approximate, especially for the first few periodics.

P1665-
P1712

WGCHNG1-
WGCHNG48

VARIABLE TITLE	WAGE RATE CHANGE FLAG, MONTHS 1-48
ALLOWABLE CODES	00 = No wage change or no job 01 = Wage change in this month 93 = Person has no longest job data 94 = Missing data 98 = Family there but person not present this month 99 = Family and person attrited or after month of P9 interview
VARIABLE DESCIRPITON	This variable indicates months for which the respondent said he/she experienced a change in wage rate. The variable is not given for self-employed persons.
TEXT DESCRIPTION	The person was asked for the date of any change in wage rate.
VARIABLE DERIVATION	A zero was assigned to cases where there was no change reported and a one to months in which a change occurred.
COMMENTS	This variable is supplementary to wage rate information.

P1761-
P1803

GWAGES0-
GWAGES42

VARIABLE TITLE	GROSS WAGES EARNED PER MONTH, DOLLARS, MONTHS 0-42, FROM IRFS
ALLOWABLE CODES	0000 = No dollars or no data 0001-7413 = Wages in dollars 9994 = Missing data 9995 = IRF should have been filed but data not available 9997 = Data not collected for this month 9998 = Person not yet in family 9999 = Family has attrited or month after P9 interviev
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION	This variable gives the monthly person wages as reported on IRFS. The amounts are given in dollars and each person has a maximum of 36 months of data.
TEXT DESCRIPTION	See figure 1 in IRF overview; note that weekly amounts were reported. The filer answered for each person; the forms were often accompanied by verifying pay stubs.
VARIABLE DERIVATION	The amounts reported by week were summed for a monthly figure; amounts were converted to the nearest dollar.

VARIABLE TITLE	FEDERAL TAX WITHHELD PER MONTH, DOLLARS, MONTHS 0-42, FROM IRFS
ALLOWABLE CODES	0000 = No dollars or no data 0001-0959 = Dollar amount 9994 = Missing data 9995 = IRF should have been filed but data not available 9997 = Data not collected for this month 9998 = Person not yet in family 9999 = Family has attrited
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION	This variable gives the monthly amount of federal tax withheld from each person's regular wages, where applicable. Each person has a maximum of 36 months of data.
TEXT DESCRIPTION	These data were taken from pay stubs sent in with Income Report Forms.
VARIABLE DERIVATION	Amounts were summed for all paystubs included in the month, or prorated for the days in a particular pay period (i.e., when months didn't coincide with pay periods), and converted to the nearest dollar.

P1847-
P1889

STXWTH0-
STXWTH42

VARIABLE TITLE	STATE TAX WITHHELD PER MONTH, DOLLARS, MONTHS 0-42, FROM IRFS
ALLOWABLE CODES	0000 = No dollars or no data 0001-0810 = Dollar amount 9994 = Missing data 9995 = IRF should have been filed but data not available 9997 = Data not collected for this month 9998 = Person not yet in family 9999 = Family has attrited
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION	This variable gives the monthly amount of state tax withheld from each person's regular wages, where applicable. Each person has a maximum of 36 months of data.
TEXT DESCRIPTION	These data were taken from pay stubs submitted with Income Report Forms.
VARIABLE DERIVATION	Amounts were summed for all paystubs included in the month, or prorated for the days in a partial pay period (i.e., when months didn't coincide with pay periods), and converted to the nearest dollar.

VARIABLE TITLE	FICA WITHHELD PER MONTH, DOLLARS, MONTHS 0-42, FROM IRFS
ALLOWABLE CODES	0000 = No dollars or no data 0001-0740 = Dollar amount 9994 = Missing data 9995 = IRF should have been filed but data not available 9997 = Data not collected for this month 9998 = Person not yet in family 9999 = Family has attrited
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION	This variable gives the monthly amount of FICA withheld from each person's regular wages, where applicable. Each person has a maximum of 36 months of data.
TEXT DESCRIPTION	These data were taken from paystubs sent in with income report forms.
VARIABLE DERIVATION	Amounts were summed for all paystubs included in the month, or prorated for the days in a particular pay period (i.e., when months didn't coincide with pay periods), and converted to the nearest dollar.

P1933-
P1975

JOBS0-
JOBS42

VARIABLE TITLE	NUMBER OF JOBS HELD IN EACH MONTH, MONTHS 0-42, FROM IRFS,
ALLOWABLE CODES	00 = No job or no data 01-02 = Number of jobs 94 = Missing data 95 = IRF should have been filed but data not available 97 = Data not collected for this month 98 = Person not yet in family 99 = Person and family attrited
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION	This variable gives the number of jobs for which hours and/or wages were reported for the person in Income Report Forms. Each person has a maximum of 36 months of data.
TEXT DESCRIPTION	See figure 1 in IRF overview. Note that the main job, then any secondary jobs were asked about separately. The filer responded for each person.
VARIABLE DERIVATION	The number of different jobs for which the hours and/or wages were reported were counted. In some cases a job change had to be inferred from the nature of the data.

VARIABLE TITLE	OVERTIME HOURS WORKED EACH MONTH, TO ONE DECIMAL PLACE, MONTHS 0-42, FROM IRFS
ALLOWABLE CODES	0000 = No hours or no data 0001-8000 = Number of hours 9994 = Missing data 9995 = IRF should have been filed, but data not available 9997 = Data not collected for this month 9998 = Person not yet in family 9999 = Person and family attrited
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION	This variable gives the number of overtime hours worked by each person during the month, as reported on income report forms. Each person has a maximum of 36 months of data. The hours are given to one decimal place.
TEXT DESCRIPTION	See figure 1 in IRF overview. The filer responded for each job for each person for each week in the month.
VARIABLE DERIVATION	The hours were summed for each week in the month for that IRF. There are a few outlying maximums which are obviously incorrect.

P1976-
P2018

HRSWRK0-
HRSWRK42

VARIABLE TITLE	TOTAL HOURS WORKED EACH MONTH, TO ONE DECIMAL PLACE MONTHS 0-42, FROM IRFS
ALLOWABLE CODES	0000 = No hours or no data 0020-9440 = Number of hours 9994 = Missing data 9995 = IRF should have been filed, but data not available 9997 = Data not collected for this month 9998 = Person not yet in family 9999 = Person and family attrited
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION	This variable gives the number of hours worked by each person during the month, as reported on Income Report Forms. Each person has a maximum of 36 months of data. Hours are given to one decimal place.
TEXT DESCRIPTION	See figure 1 of IRF overview. The filer responded for each job for each person for each week in the month.
VARIABLE DERIVATION	The hours were summed for each week in the month for that IRF. There are a few outlying maximums which are obviously incorrect.

P2019
P2061

REGHRS0-
REGHRS42

VARIABLE TITLE	REGULAR HOURS WORKED EACH MONTH TO ONE DECIMAL PLACE, MONTHS 0-42, FROM IRFS
ALLOWABLE CODES	0000 = No hours or no data 0001-8800 = Number of hours 9994 = Missing data 9995 = IRF should have been filed, but data not available 9997 = Data not collected for this month 9998 = Person not yet in family 9999 = Person and family attrited
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION	This variable gives the number of regular (not overtime) hours worked by each person during the month, as reported on Each person has a maximum of 36 months of data. Hours are given to one decimal place.
TEXT DESCRIPTION	See figure 1 of IRF overviews. The filer responded for each job for each person for each week in the month.
VARIABLE DERIVATION	The hours were summed for each week in the month for that IRF. There are a few outlying maximums which are obviously incorrect.

P2105-
P2147

SPECL0-
SPECL42

VARIABLE TITLE	SPECIAL HOURS WORKED EACH MONTH TO ONE DECIMAL PLACE, MONTHS 0-42, FROM IRFS
ALLOWABLE CODES	0000 = No hours or no data 0001-9990 = Number of hours worked 9994 = Missing data 9995 = IRF should have been filed, but data not available 9997 = Data not collected for this month 9998 = Person not yet in family 9999 = Person and family attrited
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION	This variable gives the number of special hours worked by each person during the month, as reported on Income Report Forms. Special hours are those for which the person was paid but which he/she did not actually work--such as paid vacation or sick leave. Each person has a maximum of 36 months of data. Hours are given to one decimal place.
TEXT DESCRIPTION	These data were taken from paystubs, where available.
VARIABLE DERIVATION	Where such hours were given they were summed for week in a particular month or prorated from days in a pay period.
COMMENTS	There are relatively few positive responses to this variable. Some of the outlying maximums are obviously errors.

P2148-
P2190

SPCLCD0-
SPCLCD42

VARIABLE TITLE	SPECIAL HOURS CODE, MONTHS 0-42, FROM IRFS
ALLOWABLE CODES	00 = No special hours, or no data 01 = Vacation 02 = Sick 03 = Combination 04 = Holiday 05 = Back pay 94 = Missing data 95 = IRF should have been filed, but data are not available 97 = Data not collected for this month 98 = Person not yet in family 99 = Person and family attrited
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION	This variable gives the reason for special hours reported in the previous variable (P2105-P2147).
TEXT DESCRIPTION	These data were taken from paystubs submitted with IRFS.
VARIABLE DERIVATION	The correct code was assigned to the month for which the special hours were reported.

VARIABLE TITLE	TOTAL PERSON AFDC AMOUNT, DOLLARS, 1970
ALLOWABLE CODES	0000 = No dollars 0057-3900 = Dollar amount 9993 = Person has no preenrollment AFDC data
VARIABLE DERIVARION	This variable was taken from Welfare Department files.

VARIABLE TITLE	NUMBER OF MONTHS FOR WHICH PERSON RECEIVED AFDC, 1970
ALLOWABLE CODES	00 = No AFDC 01-12 = Number of months 93 = Person has no preenrollment AFDC data
VARIABLE DERIVATION	The number of months for which the Welfare Department records showed the person received an AFDC payment was counted for the year.
COMMENTS	This variable should be used with AFDC1970, P2191.

VARIABLE TITLE	PERSON AFDC AMOUNT FOR MONTH OF ECON BASELINE INTERVIEW, DOLLARS
ALLOWABLE CODES	0000 = No dollars 0017-0600 = Dollar amount 9993 = Person has no preenrollment AFDC data 9994 = Missing data
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION	This variable was intended to give a point of reference for administrative data for a time period before enrollment in the Gary experiment. Thus, the month the person received the Economic Baseline was chosen as a preenrollment month for which to obtain data for each person and family.
VARIABLE DERIVATION	The Econ Baseline data was used to locate the correct month on the Welfare Department records for each recipient, and the AFDC amount for that month was used.
COMMENTS	The date of the Econ Base is different for each family and person. This date is given in variable ECONBASE, F0308.

VARIABLE TITLE	PERSON'S AFDC INCOME, DOLLARS, MONTHS 1-48
ALLOWABLE CODES	0000 = No dollars 0001-2110 = Dollar amount 9993 = Person has no income data 9994 = Missing data
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION	This variable gives the dollar amount of AFDC the person actually received for each of the 48 months. It should apply mainly to control families.
VARIABLE DERIVATION	These amounts were originally taken from Welfare Department records. However, the immediate source for this variable on the public use file was the MONSTA file and, on MONSTA, this variable appears in a different section from the preenrollment AFDC variables, and hence has a different set of missing data codes. The zeros and dollar amounts are those found on AFDC administrative records.
COMMENTS	Though this variable should apply to control families only, there were cases in which a secondary family continued to receive AFDC, even though the primary family had stopped receiving AFDC. For financial families the following variable, AFDCEL, P2242-P2289 applies.

P2242-
P2289

AFDCEL1-
AFDCEL48

VARIABLE TITLE	PERSON'S CALCULATED AFDC ELIGIBILITY AMOUNT, DOLLARS, MONTHS 1-48
ALLOWABLE CODES	0000 = No dollars 0001-2110 = Dollar amount 9993 = Person has no income data 9994 = Missing data
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION	This variable gives the monthly AFDC amount for which each person was or would have been eligible. For controls, it is identical to the amount received; for persons in financial families who went off AFDC rolls to participate in the experiment, this is the amount of AFDC they would have received. Financial families were guaranteed to receive the same amount or more from the experiment than they would have received from AFDC.
VARIABLE DERIVATION	These amounts were originally taken from Welfare Department records. Because they appear in a different section on MONSTA from the other AFDC preenrollment variables, the missing data code treatment is different. The zeros and dollar amounts are, however, the same as those on the Welfare Department records.
COMMENTS	This variable applies mainly to financial families.

VARIABLE TITLE	TOTAL PERSON SSI AMOUNT, ADMIN, DOLLARS, 1970
ALLOWABLE CODES	0000 = No dollars 0100-1200 = Dollar amount 9993 = Person has no administrative SSI data
VARIABLE DERIVATION	This variable was taken from Welfare Department records. It is the sum of Blind, Disabled, and Old Age Assistance received in 1970.

VARIABLE TITLE	NUMBER OF MONTHS FOR WHICH PERSON RECEIVED SSI, 1970
ALLOWABLE CODES	00 = No SSI 01-12 = Number of months 93 = Person has no administrative SSI data
VARIABLE DERIVATION	The number of months for which the Welfare Department records showed receipt of SSI amounts was counted for the year.
COMMENTS	This variable should be used with SSI1970, P2290.

VARIABLE TITLE	SSI AMOUNT FOR MONTH OF ECON BASELINE INTERVIEW. DOLLARS
ALLOWABLE CODES	0000 = No dollars 0007-0095 = Dollar amount 9993 = Person has no administrative SSI data
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION	This variable was intended to give an experiment-related preenrollment point of reference for administrative data. The time chosen for this point of reference was that of the Econ Baseline.
VARIABLE DERIVATION	The Econ Baseline date was used to locate the correct month on the Welfare Department records for each recipient, and the SSI amount for that month was used. SSI for this time was the sum of Blind, Disabled, and Old Age Assistance.

P2293-
P2328

SSICUR1-
SSICUR36

VARIABLE TITLE	"CURRENT" SSI AWARD, ADMIN, DOLLARS, MONTHS 1-36
ALLOWABLE CODES	0000 = No dollars 0002-0125 = Dollar amount 9993 = Family has no administrative SSI data
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION	This variable gives the regular monthly amount recieved from Supplemental Security Income or a combination of Blind, Disabled, and Old Age Assistance.
VARIABLE DERIVATION	These amounts were taken directly from welfare department records. For months when Blind, Disabled, and Old Age Assistance amounts were separately recorded, they have been summed.
COMMENTS	This variable covers only the first 36 experiment months. Occasionally a person also received a lump sum amount of SSI, as described in the following variable, SSIRET, P2329-P2364.

P2329-
P2364

SSIRET1-
SSIRET36

VARIABLE TITLE	"RETROACTIVE" SSI AWARD, DOLLARS, MONTHS 1-36
ALLOWABLE CODES	0000 = No dollars 0005-1440 = Dollar amount 9993 = Family has no administrative SSI data
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION	This variable gives the lump sum amounts received as Supplemental Security income when initial determination or redetermination was made of a case, and it was decided that the person should receive a backdated amount of the assistance. For earlier months this is a combination of Blind, Disabled, and Old Age Assistance.
VARIABLE DERIVATION	These amounts were taken directly from Welfare Department records. Separately-reported Blind, Disabled, and Old Age Assistance amounts were summed.
COMMENTS	There are very few responses to this variable--there is a maximum of four in any one month--as may be expected from the nature of the item. The amount received could be considerable but there were one-time awards, generally at the opening of a case.

VARIABLE TITLE	FOOD STAMPS, TOTAL FACE VALUE, DOLLARS, 1970
ALLOWABLE CODES	0000 = No dollar amount 0018-2798 = Dollar amount 9993 = Person has no administrative Food Stamp data
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION	This variable gives the total face value, or purchasing power, of Food Stamps the person received in 1970.
VARIABLE DERIVATION	The data were taken from Food Stamp Office records. To obtain the face value, the cost of the stamps (found in P2366) was added to the bonus value.
COMMENTS	The bonus value is not given on this file, but is easily calculated by subtracting the amount paid for the stamps (found in the next variable, FSP1970, P2366) from this face value.

VARIABLE TITLE	FOOD STAMPS, TOTAL AMOUNT PAID, DOLLARS, 1970
ALLOWABLE CODES	0000 = No dollars; no Food Stamps, <u>or</u> did not pay for them 0001-3031 = Dollar amount 9993 = Person has no administrative Food Stamps data
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION	Many persons pay for their Food Stamps. This variable shows the amount paid in 1970. Persons who did not pay for their stamps will have a zero variable and a positive amount in the previous variable, FSV1970, P2365.
VARIABLE DERIVATION	These amounts were taken directly from Food Stamp Office records.
COMMENTS	This variable should not be used to gauge Food Stamp participation, as some persons do not pay for their stamps.

VARIABLE TITLE	NUMBER OF MONTHS FOR WHICH PERSON RECEIVED FOOD STAMPS, 1970
ALLOWABLE CODES	00 = None 01-12 = Number of months 93 = Person did not have administrative Food Stamp data
VARIABLE DERIVATION	The number of unique months for which the person received Food Stamps in 1970 was counted.
COMMENTS	This variable should be used with the preceding variables on Food Stamp value and cost.

VARIABLE TITLE	FOOD STAMPS, FACE VALUE FOR MONTHS OF ECON BASELINE, DOLLARS
ALLOWABLE CODES	0000 = No dollars 0001-9000 = Dollar amount 9993 = Person has no administrative Food Stamp data 9994 = Missing data
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION	This variable gives, for a uniform point of reference, the total purchasing power of the person's Food Stamps for the same month the Econ Baseline Interview was given.
VARIABLE DERIVATION	The Econ Base date was used to locate the correct month. The cost and the bonus (net) value of the stamps were found on Food Stamp Office records for that month, and summed for the total face value.
COMMENTS	For some reason, there are two cases with responses of zero or a positive amount which elsewhere in this section of variables contain 9s...3s. The Econ Base date is found in ECONBASE, F0308. The bonus value may be derived by subtracting the cost (found in FSPECON, P2369) from this face value.

VARIABLE TITLE	FOOD STAMPS AMOUNT PAID, ADMIN, FOR MONTH OF ECON BASELINE, DOLLARS
ALLOWABLE CODES	0000 = No dollars: no Food Stamps bought, or did not pay for them 0001-0284 = Dollar amount 9993 = Person has no administrative Food Stamp data 9994 = Missing data
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION	This variable gives, for a uniform point of reference, the total amount the person paid for Food Stamps in the month the Econ Baseline Interview was given.
VARIABLE DERIVATION	The Econ Base date was used to locate the correct month, and the cost of Food Stamps in that month was taken from Food Stamp Office records.
COMMENTS	There are two cases with data or zeros for this variable which elsewhere in this section of Food Stamp variables contain a 9s...3. Note that zeros may indicate the family did not pay for Food Stamps used in this month. The bonus (net) value of Food Stamps may be found by subtracting the cost from the face value of the stamps.

P2370-
P2405

FSVADM1-
FSVADM36

VARIABLE TITLE	FOOD STAMPS, FACE VALUE, DOLLARS, MONTHS 1-36, ADMIN
ALLOWABLE CODES	0000 = No dollars 0001-9000 = Dollar amount 9993 = Person has no administrative Food Stamps data
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION	This variable gives the purchasing power of the person's Food Stamps for the first 36 months of the experiment.
VARIABLE DERIVATION	This variable is the sum of bonus (net) value and cost of the stamps as recorded by the Food Stamp Office.
COMMENTS	The bonus value (net value) may be re-derived by subtracting the cost of the stamps (FSPADM, P2406-P2441) from this face value amount.

P2406
P2441

FSPADM1-
FSPADM36

VARIABLE TITLE	FOOD STAMPS, AMOUNT PAID, DOLLARS, MONTHS 1-36, ADMIN
ALLOWABLE CODES	0000 = No dollars: no Food Stamps <u>or</u> person did not pay for them 0001-0352 = Dollar amount 9993 = Person has no administrative Food Stamps data
VARIABLE DESCRIPTION	Most persons pay something for the Food Stamps they use. This variable gives the monthly amount paid for the stamps.
VARIABLE DERIVATION	The amount was taken from Food Stamp Office records.
COMMENTS	Not everyone paid for Food Stamps; those who did not will have zeros for this variable and a positive amount in FSVADM, P2370-P2405. The bonus (net) value of the stamps may be found by subtracting this variable from the previous variable on Food Stamp value.

P2442-
P2446

INDWGS69-
INDWGS73

VARIABLE TITLE	INDIVIDUAL ANNUAL GROSS WAGES IN DOLLARS FROM FEDERAL TAX CARD, 1969-1973
ALLOWABLE CODES	000000 = No dollars 000051-013995 = Dollar amount 999993 = Person has no IRS data 999994 = Missing data
VARIABLE DERIVATION	These data were taken directly from Internal Revenue Service records. Amounts were changed to the nearest dollar.
COMMENTS	1969 and 1970 are both preexperimental years. A 9s...4 missing data code may also indicate that the person's tax information was filed in a joint return. Jointly-reported wages are given in the following variable, JNTWGS, P2447-P2451.

P2447
P2451

JNTWGS69
JNTWGS73

VARIABLE TITLE	JOINT ANNUAL GROSS WAGES IN DOLLARS FROM FEDERAL TAX CARD, DOLLARS, 1969-1973
ALLOWABLE CODES	000000 = No dollars 000029-131618 = Dollar amount 999993 = Person has no IRS data 999994 = Missing data
VARIABLE DERIVATION	Amounts were taken directly from Internal Revenue Service records. Amounts were changed to the nearest dollar.
COMMENTS	Individual wages are found in the preceding variable, INDWGS, P2442-P2446. The 9s...4 code may indicate that the person's wages were reported in this variable for individual returns.

P2452-
P2456

SINWGS69-
SINWGS73

VARIABLE TITLE	INDIVIDUAL ANNUAL GROSS WAGES, DOLLARS, FROM STATE TAX CARD, 1969-1973
ALLOWABLE CODES	000000 = No dollars 000040-021516 = Dollar amount 999995 = Person has no IDR data 999994 = Missing data
VARIABLE DERIVATION	Amounts were taken directly from Indiana Department of Revenue records and converted to the nearest dollar.
COMMENTS	The 9s...4 code may indicate the person's wages were reported in a joint return. Joint-return data are found in the next variable on the file, SJTWGS69-SJTWGS73, P2457-P2461.

VARIABLE TITLE	WAGES PAID FOR QUARTER WHICH INCLUDED ECON BASELINE INTERVIEW
ALLOWABLE CODES	0000 = No dollars 0551-3067 = Dollar amount 9993 = Person has no DES earnings data
VARIABLE DERIVATION	The Econ Base data were used to identify the corresponding quarter in the Division of Employment Security records. The amount earned that quarter was changed to the nearest dollar.
COMMENTS	The number of positive responses is small and most persons have zeros.

P2481-
P2528

UNEMP1-
UNEMP48

VARIABLE TITLE	AMOUNT OF UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS RECEIVED, DOLLARS PER MONTH, MONTHS 1-48
ALLOWABLE CODES	0000 = No dollars 0001-0375 = Dollar amount 9993 = Person has no DES unemployment data 9994 = Missing data 9997 = Data not collected for this month
VARIABLE DERIVATION	Amounts were taken directly from Division of Employment Security records, converted to the nearest dollar, and assigned to the correct months on the file.
COMMENTS	Most responses are zeros. Positive responses are generally under 20, except for a flurry of 30-and-over responses in months 36-41 (early 1974). Months 1-5 and 45-49 have 9s...7s.

P2465-
P2480

WGSART1-
WGSART16

VARIABLE TITLE	WAGES PAID EACH QUARTER, 1971-1974, DOLLARS
ALLOWABLE CODES	0000 = No dollars 0001-8422 = Dollar amount 9993 = Person has no DES earnings data 9997 = Data not collected for this quarter
VARIABLE DERIVATION	Data were taken directly from the state Division of Employment Security records and converted to the nearest dollar
COMMENTS	In the first eight quarters, responses around 40: they rise rapidly to the 800's and 900's for most of the subsequent quarters. Most responses, however, are zeros. The last quarters contains 9s...7s.

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P2452-
P2461

SJTWGS69-
SJTWGS73

VARIABLE TITLE	JOINT ANNUAL GROSS WAGES, DOLLARS FROM STATE TAX CARD, 1969-1973
ALLOWABLE CODES	000000 = No dollars 000792-012736 = Dollar amount 999993 = Person has no IDR data 999994 = Missing data
VARIABLE DERIVATION	Amounts were taken directly from Indiana Department of Revenue records and converted to the nearest dollar.
COMMENTS	The 9s...4 code may indicate that the person's wages are reported on an individual return. Individual-return data are given in SINWGS, P2452-P2456.

VARIABLE TITLE	TOTAL WAGES, FROM DOLLARS, 1970
ALLOWABLE CODES	00000 = No dollars 00765-10316 = Dollar amount 99993 = Person has no DES earnings data
VARIABLE DERIVATION	Quarterly wages were given by person in the State Division of Employment Security's records. Amounts were changed to the nearest dollar, and summed for the four quarters in 1970.

VARIABLE TITLE	NUMBER OF QUARTERS IN WHICH WAGES WERE RECEIVED 1970
ALLOWABLE CODES	00 = None 01-04 = Number of quarters 93 = Person has no DES earnings data
VARIABLE DERIVATION	The number of quarters for which data are found in the state Division of Employment Security was simply counted.
COMMENTS	The vast majority of persons have zeros for this variable.

APPENDIX A

FILES USED IN CREATING GARYFILE

As described in the glossary text, the GARYFILE is basically a distillation of variables from MONSTA (Gary Monthly and Static variables of income and employment) which was itself derived from a number of smaller subfiles. This appendix gives a list of the principal subfiles created in the process of dealing with interview data, and of IRF and income validation (administrative) files used in MONSTA and GARYFILE.

Interview Data: Intermediate Files

CPF	Current Period File. Contains point-in-time data as of each periodic interview. Family type and age breakdown of family members; person employment status and hours for persons 16 and over. Periodics 1-9.
IFDEM Education	Education Section, Intermediate Demographic File. Gives, for each of four years, completed education, and current school status, grade, and school type for each person enrolled in participant family. From Econ Base and periodic flysheets, corrected for schoolchildren with school performance file (10C-2) data.
IFDEM Education-2	Education Section 2, Intermediate Demographic File. From P2 and P9 education questions, asked of persons 16 and over. Point-in-time educational activities, a created monthly education/training series.
IFDEM-HCOMP	Household Composition Section, Intermediate Demographic File. From composition files kept up-to-date throughout experiment. Family size, headship, type, number or members by age breakdown; person age, sex, relationship, arrivals/departures. Months 1-48 as of P9 interview.
IFDEM-MARST	Marital Status Section, Intermediate Demographic File. Monthly marital status, some point-in-time marital status/history items from specific periodics.

IFEMP	Employment Status Section of Intermediate File. Person employment status for persons 16 and over. Percent employed, working, unemployed, not in labor force, type of work, disability status, for each of months 1-48.
IFINC	Intermediate Income File. Contains wage and nonwage income data for persons over 16 and families. Periodic data, months 1-48.
IFWAGHR	Wages and Hours Section of Intermediate File. Variables on persons over 16. Wages, hours, industry, occupation, for longest job in each month, months 1-48.
PAD*	Preenrollment Assets and Debts Section of Intermediate File. Variables constructed from Soc Baseline, Social Services/Daycare Baseline, and P3 interview. Family data only.
PED	Preenrollment Demographic Data Section of Intermediate File. Demographic variables for families and persons as of time of family's enrollment. Includes some experiment-related data, such as treatment levels, dates of enrollment, disenrollment, and attrition, and family composition by age breakdowns.
PHILS*	Preenrollment Income and Labor Supply Section of Intermediate File. Income variables for families and persons, job variables for persons, all for January, 1971. From first periodic interview.

Interview Data: Econ Base

BALAST Long Tape	Basic Labor Supply Tape contains quarterly data for family, principal male, principal female, and for tertiary persons combined. Intermeidate file data, IRF variables, and administrative data. BALAST Long Tape adds Econ Base variables for family, principal male and principal female.

*These subfiles were not used in GARYFILE.

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Income Report Form Data

Re-Edited IRF File	The original file of IRF data was re-edited to remove errors in monthly income participants reported and coder/processor errors which occurred in original editing of IRFs.

Administrative Data (Income Validation Files)

Adult Categories of Public Assistance File	Contains data on blind, disabled, old age assistance (later called SSI or Supplemental Security Income). Monthly, January 1969-December 1973. LCDPW payment ledger sheets.
DES File	Indiana Division of Employment Security files. Three subfiles: quarterly earnings, as reported to DES by employer; weekly unemployment benefits; most recent job and number of dependents.
Food Stamp File	Contains Food Stamp data for persons in AFDC families, in non-Public Assistance families, in families in which at least one member does not receive Public Assistance, and in General Assistance (Township Trustee) families which received emergency relief. Two subfiles: certification data showing eligibility, and actual purchase data. From LCDPW.
IRS/IDR File	Internal Revenue Service/Indiana Department of Revenue Data from tax returns filed by experiment participants for 1969-1973. Includes family size, number of exemptions, wages, withholdings, refund amounts. From IRS and IDR.
Payment Files	Gary experiment payment files. Contain data on all checks written and sent, adjustments made, and amounts of checks sent to experiment participants.

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ALPHABETICAL LIST OF GARYFILE VARIABLE NAMES

AFDC70	F2689
AFDC1970	P2191
AFDC1-48	F2692-F2739
	P2194-P2241
AFDCBASE	P2193
AFDCECON	F2691
AFDCEL1-48	F2740-F2787
	P2242-P2289
AFDCMO70	P2192
AFDCMOS	F2690
API1-48	F1696-F1743
ASSETECN	F1401
ATTDATE	F0009
	P0198
CELLNUM	F0004
CMPCODE1-9	F0318-F0326
CORES	F0306
DAYHRSN	P0235
DAYHRSR	P0232
DAYINC1-48	P0576-P0623
DAYPAYN	P0237
DAYPAYR	P0234
DAYRATEN	P0236
DAYRATER	P0233
DENRLDAT	F0010
	P0199
DISABL1-48	P1185-P1232
DISLMIT1-9	P0840-P0848
DOB	P0195
DSABLED1-9	P0831-P0839
ECONBASE	F0308
EMPLOYED	P0215
EMPSTA1-48	P1137-P1184
EMPSTAT1-9	P0768-P0776
ENRLDATE	F0006
	P0197
ERNCAS1-48	F1936-F1983
ERNDW1-48	F1888-F1935
ERNERSO-42	F2469-F2511
ERNREG1-48	F1840-F1887
ERNSEO-42	F2383-F2425
EVEREMP	P0206
EXPER1-48	P1281-P1328
EXPTIM1-48	F0112-F0159
FAMBUS	P0207
FAMNUM	F0001
	P0001
FAMTYP1-48	F0059-F0106
FAMWAGO-42	F2426-F2468
FDIVIN69-73	F2945-F2949
FEDTAX69-73	F2955-F2959
FEMFILR	F0111
FEMNUM	F0110
FICAO-42	P1890-P1932
FOTHER69-73	F2950-F2954
FSAECON	F2867
FSAMT1-48	F1552-F1599
FSAMTXO-42	F2211-F2253
FSMOS70	F2865
	P2367
FSP1970	P2366
FSPADM1-36	F2904-F2939
	P2406-P2441
FSPD70	F2864
FSPECON	P2369
FSV1970	P2365
FSVADM1-36	F2868-F2903
	P2370-P2405
FSVAL70	F2863
FSVAL1-48	F1504-F1551
FSVALXO-42	F2168-F2210
FSVECON	F2866
	P2368
FTAXW69-73	F2960-F2964
FTXWTHO-42	P1804-P1846
FWAGES69-73	F2940-F2944
GRADE71	P0200
GRADE72	P0202
GRADE73	P0204
GWAGESO-42	P1761-P1803
GXPMT1-48	F2641-F2688

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HEADSHIP F0107
HOURS1-48. . . . . P1473-P1520
HRCHNG1-48 . . . . . P1521-P1568
HRSREG1-9. . . . . P0813-P0821
HRSVARY. P0220
HRSWEEK1-9 . . . . . P0795-P0803
HRSWRK0-42 . . . . . P1976-P2018

INCOME69 . . . . . F1407
P0214
INDUS1-48. . . . . P1329-P1376
INDUSTRY P0218
INDWGS69-73. . . . . P2442-P2446
INTDATE1-9 . . . . . F0309-F0317

JNTWGS69073. . . . . P2447-P2451
JOBINC1-48 . . . . . P0528-P0575
JOBS0-42 . . . . . P1933-P1975
JOBS1YR. P0213
JOBS3YRS P0212
JOBS5YRS P0211
JOBTOTAL P0210

KIDS61-48. . . . . F0210-F0257
KIDS161-48 . . . . . F0258-F0305

LABRSTAT P0216
LPAYNUM. F0008

MALEFILR F0109
MALENUM. F0108
MISCECON F1402
MISINC1-48 . . . . . F1744-F1791
P0432-P0479
MODLCITY F0005
MONTHS P0217
MOPRES1-48 . . . . . P0051-P0098
MOSNOWRK P0238
MRST1-48 . . . . . P0099-P0146
MTH1 . . . . . F2080
MTH2 . . . . . F2081
MLFLAG-48 . . . . F0011-F0058

NCDOB1-21. . . . . F0348-F0368
NCP11-NCP2148 . . . F0390-F1397
NCPNUM1-21. . . . . F0327-F0347
NCREL1-21 . . . . . F0369-F0389
NONCORE F0307
NQ70. . . . . F2991
NRMLHRS P0227
NRMLOT. P0228
NRMLOTR P0230
NRMLPAY P0231
NRMLWAGR. P0229
NUMJBS1-48. . . . . P1233-P1280

OCCUP1-48 . . . . . P1377-P1424
OCCUPA. P0219
OJINC1-48 . . . . . P0624-P0671
OTHINC1-48. . . . . F1792-F1839
P0480-P0527
OTHMIS0-42. . . . . F2340-F2382
OTHRECON. F1403
OTHREG1-9 . . . . . P0822-P0830
OTHRS1-48 . . . . . P1569-P1616
OTHRSWK1-9. . . . . P0804-P0812
OTHRATE1-48 . . . . P1713-P1760
OVRTME0-42. . . . . P0262-P2104

PAYNUM1 . . . . . F0007
PCTEMP1-48. . . . . P0897-P0944
PCTNLF1-48. . . . . P1041-P1088
PCTUMP1-48. . . . . P1089-P1136
PCTWRK1-48. . . . . P0945-P0992
PERNUM. P0002
PLANWORK. P0239
POVLEV. F0002

ORTWRK70. . . . . P2463

RCNTHRS P0222
RCNTOT. P0223
RCNTOTR P0225
RCNTPAY P0226
RCNTWAGR. P0224
REASON1-48. . . . . P0993-P1040
REGHRS0-42. . . . . P2019-P2061
RELCODE1-48 . . . . P0147-P0194

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SCHTYP71.	P0201
SCHTYP72.	P0203
SCHTYP73.	P0205
SDIVIN69-73	F2970-F2974
SEASON.	P0221
SEX	P1096
SINWGS69-73	P2452-P2456
SJTWGS69-73	P2457-P2461
SOCSCX0-42.	F2254-F2296
SOCSEC1-48.	F1600-F1647
SOTHER69-73	F2976-F2979
SPELC0-42	P2105-P2147
SPCLCD0-42.	P2148-P2190
SSI-48.	P0336-P0383
SSECON.	P1399
SSI70	F2788
SSI1970	P2290
SSI1-48	F1408-F1455
	P0240-P0287
SSIBASE	P2292
SSIC1-36.	F2791-F2826
SSICUR1-36.	P2293-P2328
SSIECON	F2790
SSIMOS.	F2789
SSIMOS70.	P2291
SSIR1-36.	F2827-F2862
SSIRET1-36.	P2329-P2364
SSIX0-42.	F2082-F2124
STATAX69-73	F2980-F2984
STATUS1-48.	P0003-P0050
STAXW69-73.	F2985-F2989
STRIKE1-48.	F2032-F2079
STRIKX0-42.	F2598-F2640
STRKWC1-48.	P0720-P0767
STUE0-42.	F2512-F2554
STXWTH0-42.	P1847-P1889
SWAGES69-73	F2965-F2969
TOTFAM1-48.	F0160-F0207
TOTORIG	F0208
TOTSUBS	F0209
TREATLEV.	F0003
TTI-48.	F1456=F1503
TTI1-48	P0288-P0335
TTIECON	F1398
TTX0-42	F2125-F2167
TYPWRK1-48.	P0849-P0896
TYPWRKR1-9.	P0777-P0785
UEBEN1-48	F3009-F3056
UECMPX0-42.	F2555-F2597
UECOMP1-48.	F1984-F2031
UEMBEN1-48.	P0672-P0719
UEMPECN	F1404
UMPAYECN.	F1405
UNEMP1-48	P2481-P2528
VA1-48.	F1648-F1695
	P0384-P0431
VAECON.	F1400
VAX0-42	F2297-F2339
WAGES70	F2990
	P2462
WAGQTR1-16.	F2993-F3008
WCOMPECN	F1406
WGCHNG1-48.	P1665-P1712
WGECON.	F2992
WGRATE1-48.	P1617-P1664
WGSART1-16.	P2465-P2480
WGSECON	P2464
WRKLNG1-48.	P1425-P1472
WYNOWRK1-9.	P0786-P0794
YRFTWRK	P0209
YRSTWRK	P0208

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ALPHABETICAL LISTING OF VARIABLE TITLES

Amount of unemployment benefits paid to persons 16 and over, dollars, months 1-48, admin (UEBEN) F3009-F3056
Amount of unemployment benefits received, dollars per month, months 1-48 (UEMP) P2481-P2528
Annual amount of other income or loss, family total, from federal tax card, dollars, 1969-1973 (FOTHER) F2950-F2954
Annual amount of other income or loss, family total, from state tax card, dollars, 1969-1973 (SOTHER) F2975-F2979
Annual dividends and interest, family total, from federal tax card, dollars, 1969-1973 (FDIVIN) F2945-F2949
Annual dividends and interest, family total, from state tax card, dollars, 1969-1973 (SDIVIN) F2970-F2974
Annual gross wages, family total, from federal tax card, 1969-1973 (FWAGES) F2940-F2944
Annual gross wages, family total, from state tax card, 1969-1973 (SWAGES) F2965-F2969
Assets and property income, dollars, months 1-48, from periodics (API) F1696-F1743
Attrition date (ATTDATE) F0009
P0198

Birthdate, each noncore (NCDOB) F0348-F0368

Cell number (CELLNUM) F0004
Continuity of household headship (HEADSHIP) F0107
Current labor force status (LABRSTAT) P0216
"Current" SSI award, dollars, months 1-36 (SSIC) F2791-F2826
(SSICUR) P2293-P2328
Currently employed (EMPLOYED) P0215

Date of birth (DOB) P0195
Date of Economic Baseline Interview (ECONBASE) F0308
Date of periodic interviews, by periodic (INTDATE) F0309-F0317
Dayworker earnings, all adult family members, dollars, months 1-48, from periodics (ERNDW) F1888-F1935
Dayworker earnings, dollars, months 1-48, from periodics (DAYINC) P0576-P0623
Disability status code, months 1-48 (DISABL) P1185-P1232
Disenrollment date (DENRLDAT) F0010
P0199
Do work hours vary with the season (HRSVARY) P0220

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Employment status at time of interview, periodics 1-9 (EMPSTAT) P0768-P0776
Enrollment date (ENRLDATE) F0006
P0197
Even been employed (EVEREMP) P0206
Ever worked for a family business (FAMBUS) P0207
Extent disability limits work at time of interview, periodics 1-9 (DISLMIT) P0840-P0848
Extent of disability at time of interview, periodics 1-9, (DSABLED) P0831-P0839

Family AFDC amount, month of Econ Baseline, dollars (AFDCECON) F2691
Family AFDC eligibility amount, dollars, months 1-48 (AFDCEL) F2740-F2787
Family AFDC income, dollars, months 1-48 (AFDC) F2692-F2739
Family number (FAMNUM) F0001
P0001
Family SSI amount, month of Econ Baseline, dollars (SSIECON) . . F2790
Family type code, by month (FAMTYP) F0009-F0106
Federal tax withheld per month, dollars, months 0-42, from IRFs (FTXWTH) P1804-P1846
FICA withheld per month, months 0-42, dollars, from IRFs (FICA) P1890-P1932
Filer status of principal female (FEMFILR) F0111
Filer status of principal male (MALEFILR) F0109
First month of IRF filing period (MTH1) F2080
First transfer payment number (PAYNUM1) F0007
Food Stamps, amount paid, dollars, months 0-42, from IRFs (FSAMTX) F2211-F2253
Food Stamps, amount paid, dollars, months 1-36, admin (FSADM) F2904-F2939
P2306-P2441
Food Stamps, amount paid, dollars, months 1-48, from periodics (FSAMT) F1552-F1559
Food Stamps, amount paid, month of Econ Baseline, dollars,
(FSAECON) F2867
(FSPECON) P2369
Food Stamps, face value, dollars, months 0-42, from IRFs (FSVALX) F2168-F2210
Food Stamps, face value, dollars, months 1-36, admin (FSVADM) . . F2868-F2903
P2370-P2405
Food Stamps, face value, dollars, months 1-48, from periodics (FSVAL) F1504-F1551
Food Stamps, face value, month of Econ Baseline, dollars (FSVECON) F2866
P2368

Food Stamps, total amount paid, dollars, 1970 (FSPD70) F2864
(FSP1970). P2366
Food Stamps, total face value, dollars, 1970 (FSVAL70) F2863
(FSV1970) P2365

Gary check amount, dollars, months 1-48 (GXPMT). F2641-F2688
Gross family wage earnings, dollars, months 0-42, from IRFs (FAMWAG) F2426-F2468
Gross wages earned per month, dollars, months 0-42, from IRFs (GWAGES). P1761-P1803
Gross weekly pay in dollars, most recent pay period, dayworker (DAYPAYR). P0234
Gross weekly pay in dollars, most recent pay period, working for someone else (RCNTPAY) P0226

Highest grade completed, school year Sept 71-June 72 (GRADE71) . P0200
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