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HCUP Data Element	File(s)	Coding Notes	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	HCUP Data Element
ADAYWK	Core	Admission day of week: (1) Sunday, (2) Monday, (3) Tuesday, (4) Wednesday, etc.	Yes													ADAYWK									
AGE	Core	Age in years at admission coded 0-124 years	Yes	AGE																					
AGEDAY	Core	Age in days coded 0-365 only when the age in years is less than 1 year	Yes	AGEDAY																					
AHAID	Hospital	AHA hospital identifier that matches AHA Annual Survey Database (not available for all states)	Yes	AHAID																					
AMONTH	Core	Admission month coded from (1) January to (12) December	Yes	AMONTH																					
APRDRG	Severity	All Patient Refined DRG								-							Yes	APRDRG							
APRDRG_Risk_Mortality	Severity	All Patient Refined DRG: Risk of Mortality Subclass: (0) No class specified, (1) flinor likelihood of dying, (2) Moderate likelihood of dying, (3) Major likelihood of dying, (4) Extreme likelihood of dying	-		-					-		-			-		Yes	APRDRG_Risk_Mortality							
APRDRG_Severity	Severity	All Patient Refined DRG: Severity of Illness Subclass: (0) No class specified, (1) Minor loss of function (includes cases with no comorbidity or complications), (2) Moderate loss of function, (3) Major loss of function, (4) Extreme loss of function	-		-						-			-			Yes	APRDRG_Severity							
APSDRG	Severity	All-Payer Severity-adjusted DRG	-			-		-	-	-	-	-		1		-	Yes	APSDRG							
APSDRG_Charge_Weight	Severity	All-Payer Severity-adjusted DRG: Charge Weight															Yes	APSDRG_Charge_Weight							
APSDRG_LOS_Weight	Severity	All-Payer Severity-adjusted DRG: Length of Stay Weight					-										Yes	APSDRG_LOS_Weight							
APSDRG_Mortality_Weight	Severity	All-Payer Severity-adjusted DRG: Mortality Weight								-		-					Yes	APSDRG_Mortality_Weigh							
ASOURCE	Core	Admission source, uniform coding: (1) ER, (2) another hospital, (3) another facility including long-term care, (4) court/law enforcement, (5) routine/birth/other	Yes	ASOURCE																					
ASOURCE_X	Core	Admission source, as received from data source using State- specific coding	-	-	-	-	-			-	-	-	Yes	ASOURCE_X											
ASOURCEUB92	Core	Admission source (UB-92 standard coding)		-						-				-				Yes	ASOURCEUB92						
ATYPE	Core	Admission type, uniform coding: (1) emergency, (2) urgent, (3) elective, (4) newborn, (5) Delivery (coded in 1988-1997 data only), (5) trauma center beginning in 2003 data, (6) other	Yes	ATYPE																					
AWEEKEND	Core	Admission on weekend: (0) admission on Monday-Friday, (1) admission on Saturday-Sunday	1	-	1	1	-			1	-	1	Yes	AWEEKEND											
CCSMGN1-CCSMGN15	Dx_Pr_Grps	CCS Mental Health and Substance Abuse - General category for all diagnoses for NIS beginning in 2005	-	-							1	-	-							Yes	Yes				CCSMGN1-CCSMGN15
CCSMSP1-CCSMSP15	Dx_Pr_Grps	CCS Mental Health and Substance Abuse - Detail category for all diagnoses for NIS beginning in 2005										-								Yes	Yes				CCSMSP1-CCSMSP15
CHRON1-CHRON25	Dx_Pr_Grps	Chronic Condition Indicators for all diagnoses for NIS beginning in 2005. Beginning in 2009, the diagnosis array was increased from 15 to 25.	1		1		-			-		-			1		1			Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	CHRON1-CHRON25
CHRONB1-CHRONB25	Dx_Pr_Grps	Chronic Condition Indicators – body system for all diagnoses for NIS beginning in 2005. Beginning in 2009, the diagnosis array was increased from 15 to 25.																		Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	CHRONB1-CHRONB25
CM_AIDS	Severity	AHRQ comorbidity measure: Acquired immune deficiency syndrome		-	-	-	-			-		-	-	-			Yes	CM_AIDS							
CM_ALCOHOL	Severity	AHRQ comorbidity measure: Alcohol abuse			-		-			-		-					Yes	CM_ALCOHOL							
CM_ANEMDEF	Severity	AHRQ comorbidity measure: Deficiency anemias	-	-		-		-	-	-	-	-		-			Yes	CM_ANEMDEF							
CM_ARTH	Severity	AHRQ comorbidity measure: Rheumatoid arthritis/collagen vascular diseases	-		1	-	-			-		-			-		Yes	CM_ARTH							
CM_BLDLOSS	Severity	AHRQ comorbidity measure: Chronic blood loss anemia				-	-			-		-					Yes	CM_BLDLOSS							
CM_CHF	Severity	AHRQ comorbidity measure: Congestive heart failure				-	-			-		-					Yes	CM_CHF							
CM_CHRNLUNG	Severity	AHRQ comorbidity measure: Chronic pulmonary disease		-		1	-		-	-	-	1					Yes	CM_CHRNLUNG							
CM_COAG	Severity	AHRQ comorbidity measure: Coagulopathy				-	-		-	-		-					Yes	CM_COAG							
CM_DEPRESS	Severity	AHRQ comorbidity measure: Depression	-			1	-			-	-	-		-			Yes	CM_DEPRESS							
CM_DM	Severity	AHRQ comorbidity measure: Diabetes, uncomplicated															Yes	CM_DM							

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Availability of Data Elements

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CM_DMCX	Severity	AHRQ comorbidity measure: Diabetes with chronic complications								-						-	Yes	CM_DMCX							
CM_DRUG	Severity	AHRQ comorbidity measure: Drug abuse	-		1	ı	-		-	ı		ı		1		-	Yes	CM_DRUG							
CM_HTN_C	Severity	AHRQ comorbidity measure: Hypertension, uncomplicated and complicated	-		-	-	-			1	-	-		-		-	Yes	CM_HTN_C							
CM_HYPOTHY	Severity	AHRQ comorbidity measure: Hypothyroidism	-		1	-		-		-	-	1		-		-	Yes	CM_HYPOTHY							
CM_LIVER	Severity	AHRQ comorbidity measure: Liver disease			1	ı	-			ı	-	1		ı		-	Yes	CM_LIVER							
CM_LYMPH	Severity	AHRQ comorbidity measure: Lymphoma	-		1	ı	-			ı		ı		ı		-	Yes	CM_LYMPH							
CM_LYTES	Severity	AHRQ comorbidity measure: Fluid and electrolyte disorders	-		1	ı	-			ı		ı		ı		-	Yes	CM_LYTES							
CM_METS	Severity	AHRQ comorbidity measure: Metastatic cancer			1	ı	-			ı	-	1		ı		-	Yes	CM_METS							
CM_NEURO	Severity	AHRQ comorbidity measure: Other neurological disorders	-		1	1	-			ı		ı		ı		-	Yes	CM_NEURO							
CM_OBESE	Severity	AHRQ comorbidity measure: Obesity			1	-				1		-		-			Yes	CM_OBESE							
CM_PARA	Severity	AHRQ comorbidity measure: Paralysis	-		-	-		-		-	-	-					Yes	CM_PARA							
CM_PERIVASC	Severity	AHRQ comorbidity measure: Peripheral vascular disorders				-	-			-	-	-		-	-	-	Yes	CM_PERIVASC							
CM_PSYCH	Severity	AHRQ comorbidity measure: Psychoses										-					Yes	CM_PSYCH							
CM_PULMCIRC	Severity	AHRQ comorbidity measure: Pulmonary circulation disorders															Yes	CM_PULMCIRC							
CM_RENLFAIL	Severity	AHRQ comorbidity measure: Renal failure															Yes	CM_RENLFAIL							
CM_TUMOR	Severity	AHRQ comorbidity measure: Solid tumor without metastasis				-											Yes	CM_TUMOR							
CM_ULCER	Severity	AHRQ comorbidity measure: Peptic ulcer disease excluding															Yes	CM_ULCER							
CM_VALVE	Severity	AHRQ comorbidity measure: Valvular disease															Yes	CM_VALVE							
CM_WGHTLOSS	Severity	AHRQ comorbidity measure: Weight loss					-					-					Yes	CM_WGHTLOSS							
D10CWT_U	Hospital	10% sample weight to discharges in the universe	Yes													D10CWT_U									
DCCHPR1	Core	CCS category for principal diagnosis for NIS prior to 1998. CCS was formerly called the Clinical Classifications for Health Policy Research (CCHPR)	Yes				-								-	DCCHPR1									
DIED	Core	Indicates in-hospital death: (0) did not die during hospitalization, (1) died during hospitalization	Yes	DIED																					
DISCWT	Core, Hospital	Discharge weight on Core file and Hospital Weights file for NIS beginning in 1998. In all data years except 2000, this weight is used to create national estimates for all analyses. In 2000 only, this weight is used to create national estimates for all analyses excluding those that involve total charges.								-	1		Yes	DISCWT											
DISCWT_F	Hospital	Discharge weights to the sample frame are available only in 1988- 1997	Yes		1	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	1		-1	DISCWT_F									
DISCWT_S	Hospital	Discharge weights to the State are available only in 1988-1997	Yes		ı		-	1					1		1	DISCWT_S									
DISCWT_U	Hospital	Discharge weight on Core file and Hospital Weights file for NIS prior to 1998	Yes		-		1	1					-		- 1	DISCWT_U									
DISCWT10	Subsample	10% sample weight to discharges in the universe	-	-	-	-				-	-	-	Yes	-	-	-	-		DISCWT10						
DISCWTcharge	Core, Hospital	Discharge weight for national estimates of total charges. In 2000 only, this weight is used to create national estimates for analyses that involve total charges.			1	1	1			1	-	-		-	Yes	1	1					-		1	DISCWTcharge
DISCWTcharge10	Subsample	10% sample weight to discharges in the universe for national estimates of total charge in 2000													Yes										DISCWTcharge10
DISP	Core	Disposition of patient, uniform coding used prior to 1998: (1) routine, (2) short-term hospital, (3) skilled nursing facility, (4) intermediate care facility, (5) another type of facility, (6) home health care, (7) against medical advice, (20) died	Yes		-										1	DISP									

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DISPUB92	Core	Disposition of patient, UB-92 coding: (1) routine, (2) short term hospital, (3) skilled nursing facility, (4) intermediate care, (5) another type of facility, (6) home health care, (7) against medical advice, (8) home IV provider, (9) admitted as an inpatient to this hospital beginning in 2001 on outpatient data only (20) died in hospital, (40) died at home, (41) died in a medical facility, (42) died, place unknown, (50) Hospice, home, (51) Hospice, medical facility, (61) hospital-based Medicare approved swing bed, (62) another rehabilitation facility, (63) long term care hospital, (64) certified nursing facility, (71) another institution for outpatient services, (72) this institution for outpatient services, (99) discharged alive, destination unknown	-								-	-	Yes				DISPUB92								
DISPUB04	Core	Disposition of patient (UB-04 standard coding)																				Yes	Yes	Yes	DISPUB04
DISPUNIFORM	Core	Disposition of patient, uniform coding used beginning in 1998: (1) routine, (2) transfer to short term hospital, (5) other transfers, including skilled nursing facility, intermediate care, and another type of facility, (6) home health care, (7) against medical advice, (20) died in hospital, (99) discharged alive, destination unknown	1									1	Yes	DISPUNIFORM											
DQTR	Core	Coded: (1) Jan - Mar, (2) Apr - Jun, (3) Jul - Sep, (4) Oct - Dec	Yes	DQTR																					
DQTR_X	Core	Discharge quarter, as received from data source										-									Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	DQTR_X
DRG	Core	DRG in use on discharge date	Yes	DRG																					
DRG_NoPOA	Core	DRG in use on discharge date, calculated without Present On Admission (POA) indicators	-											-				-					Yes	Yes	DRG_NoPOA
DRG10	Core	DRG Version 10 (effective October 1992 - September 1993)	Yes				-	-						DRG10											
DRG18	Core	DRG Version 18 (effective October 2000 - September 2001)	-		-					-	1	-	Yes	-			-	DRG18							
DRG24	Core	DRG Version 24 (effective October 2006 - September 2007)	-								-	-							-	-	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	DRG24
DRGVER	Core	Grouper version in use on discharge date	Yes	DRGVER																					
DS_DX_Category1	Severity	Disease Staging: Principal Disease Category									-	-	-				Yes	DS_DX_Category1							
DS_LOS_Level	Severity	Disease Staging: Length of Stay Level: (1) Very low (less than 5% of patients), (2) Low (5 - 25% of patients), (3) Medium (25 - 75% of patients), (4) High (75 - 95% of patients), (5) Very high (greater than 95% of patients)												-			Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes			DS_LOS_Level
DS_LOS_Scale	Severity	Disease Staging: Length of Stay Scale															Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes			DS_LOS_Scale
DS_Mrt_Level	Severity	Disease Staging: Mortality Level: (0) Extremely low - excluded from percentile calculation (mortality probability less than .0001), (1) Very low (less than 5% of patients), (2) Low (5 - 25% of patients), (3) Medium (25 - 75% of patients), (4) High (75 - 95% of patients), (5) Very high (greater than 95% of patients)	-								-	1		1			Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes			DS_Mrt_Level
DS_Mrt_Scale	Severity	Disease Staging: Mortality Scale															Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes			DS_Mrt_Scale
DS_RD_Level	Severity	Disease Staging: Resource Demand Level: (1) Very low (less than 5% of patients), (2) Low (5 - 25% of patients), (3) Medium (25 - 75% of patients), (4) High (75 - 95% of patients), (5) Very high (greater than 95% of patients)	-		-			1	-		1	-	1	1			Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	-	- 1	DS_RD_Level
DS_RD_Scale	Severity	Disease Staging: Resource Demand Scale															Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes			DS_RD_Scale
DS_Stage1	Severity	Disease Staging: Stage of Principal Disease Category															Yes	DS_Stage1							
DSHOSPID	Hospital	Hospital number as received from the data source	Yes	DSHOSPID																					
DSNDX	Core	Number of diagnosis fields provided by the data source	Yes													DSNDX									
DSNPR	Core	Number of procedure fields in this data source	Yes													DSNPR									
DSNUM	Core	Data source number	Yes													DSNUM									
DSTYPE	Core	Data source type: (1) State data organization, (2) Hospital association, (3) Consortia	Yes													DSTYPE									

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DX1-DX25	Core	Diagnoses, principal and secondary (ICD-9-CM). Beginning in 2009, the diagnosis array was increased from 15 to 25.	Yes	DX1-DX25																					
DXCCS1-DXCCS25	Core	CCS category for all diagnoses for NIS beginning in 1998. Beginning in 2009, the diagnosis array was increased from 15 to 25.	-	-				-	-	-	-	-	Yes	DXCCS1-DXCCS25											
DXSYS	Core	Diagnosis coding system (ICD-9-CM)	Yes		-		1	1			1					DXSYS									
DXMCCS1	Dx_Pr_Grps	Multi-level clinical classification software (CCS) for principal diagnosis. Four levels for diagnoses presenting both the general groupings and very specific conditions	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1		-	-			-			-	Yes	DXMCCS1
DXV1-DXV15	Core	Diagnosis validity flags	Yes													DXV1-DXV15									
E_CCS1-E_CCS4	Core	CCS category for all E codes																Yes	E_CCS1-E_CCS4						
ECCSMGN1-ECCSMGN4	Dx_Pr_Grps	Clinical Classification Software Mental Health and Substance Abuse - General category for all E codes for NIS beginning in 2005						-		-		-								Yes	Yes				ECCSMGN1-ECCSMGN4
ECODE1-ECODE4	Core	External causes of injury codes (ICD-9-CM)																Yes	ECODE1-ECODE4						
E_MCCS1	Dx_Pr_Grps	Multi-level clinical classification software (CCS) for first listed E Code. Four levels for E codes presenting both the general groupings and very specific conditions			- 1	- 1	- 1	-	-1			- 1	-	- 1		- 1	1			1				Yes	E_MCCS1
ELECTIVE	Core	Indicates elective admission: (1) elective, (0) non-elective admission			1	1	1	-	-		-	1		1		1	Yes	ELECTIVE							
FEMALE	Core	Indicates gender for NIS beginning in 1998: (0) male, (1) female			-	-	1				-		Yes	FEMALE											
H_BEDSZ	Hospital	Bed size of hospital: (1) small, (2) medium, (3) large			1	1	1	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes		-		ı	ı		-	1					H_BEDSZ
H_CONTRL	Hospital	Control/ownership of hospital: (1) government, nonfederal (2) private, non-profit (3) private, invest-own	-	-				Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes					-	-	-	-	-		Yes	Yes	H_CONTRL
H_LOC	Hospital	Location: (0) rural, (1) urban						Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes													H_LOC
H_LOCTCH	Hospital	Location/teaching status of hospital: (1) rural, (2) urban non-teaching, (3) urban teaching						Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes					-			-					H_LOCTCH
H_REGION	Hospital	Region of hospital: (1) Northeast, (2) Midwest, (3) South, (4) West	-	-				Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes						-			-		-	-	H_REGION
H_TCH	Hospital	Teaching status of hospital: (0) non-teaching, (1) teaching			-			Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes		-						-					H_TCH
HCUP_ED	Core	Indicator that discharge record includes evidence of emergency department (ED) services: (0) Record does not meet any HCUP Emergency Department criteria, (1) Emergency Department revenue code on record, (2) Positive Emergency Department charge (when revenue center codes are not available), (3) Emergency Department CPT procedure code on record, (4) Admission source of ED, (5) State-defined ED record; no ED charges available	-		1	1	1				-	1	1	1		1	1			1		Yes	Yes	Yes	HCUP_ED
HFIPSSTCO	Hospital	Unmodified Federal Information Processing Standards (FIPS) State/county code for the hospital links to recent years of the Area Resource File (available from the Bureau of Health Professions, Health Resources and Services Administration)	-					-	-	-	-	1		-			-	-	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	HFIPSSTCO
HOSPBRTH	Core	Indicator that discharge record includes diagnosis of birth that occurred in the hospital: (0) Not an in-hospital birth, (1) In-hospital birth																			Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	HOSPBRTH
HOSP_BEDSIZE	Hospital	Bed size of hospital: (1) small, (2) medium, (3) large										-	Yes	HOSP_BEDSIZE											
HOSP_CONTROL	Hospital	Control/ownership of hospital: (0) government or private, collapsed category, (1) government, nonfederal, public, (2) private, non-profit, voluntary, (3) private, invest-own, (4) private, collapsed category	-					-				-	Yes	HOSP_CONTROL											
HOSP_LOCATION	Hospital	Location: (0) rural, (1) urban											Yes	HOSP_LOCATION											
HOSP_LOCTEACH	Hospital	Location/teaching status of hospital: (1) rural, (2) urban non- teaching, (3) urban teaching			1	1	1	-	-			-	Yes	HOSP_LOCTEACH											
HOSP_REGION	Hospital	Region of hospital: (1) Northeast, (2) Midwest, (3) South, (4) West			-	-						-	Yes	HOSP_REGION											
HOSP_TEACH	Hospital	Teaching status of hospital: (0) non-teaching, (1) teaching			-	-	1						Yes	HOSP_TEACH											
HOSPADDR	Hospital	Hospital address from AHA Annual Survey Database			-	-		Yes	HOSPADDR																

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HOSPCITY	Hospital	Hospital city from AHA Annual Survey Database					-	Yes	HOSPCITY																
HOSPID	Core, Hospital, Severity, Dx_Pr_Grps	HCUP hospital number	Yes	HOSPID																					
HOSP_LPNFTEAPD	Hospital	LPN FTEs per 1000 adjusted inpatient days	-			-	-			-				-				-				Yes	Yes	Yes	HOSP_LPNFTEAPD
HOSP_MHSCLUSTER	Hospital	Multi-hospital system cluster code: (1) centralized health system, (2) centralized physician/insurance health system, (3) moderately centralized health system, (4) decentralized health system, (5) independent hospital system, (6) unassigned						-			-							-	-	-		Yes	Yes	Yes	HOSP_MHSCLUSTER
HOSP_MHSMEMBER	Hospital	Multi-hospital system membership: (0) non-member, (1) member					-															Yes	Yes	Yes	HOSP_MHSMEMBER
HOSP_NAFTEAPD	Hospital	Nurse aides per 1000 adjusted inpatient days					-															Yes	Yes	Yes	HOSP_NAFTEAPD
HOSPNAME	Hospital	Hospital name from AHA Annual Survey Database						Yes	HOSPNAME																
HOSP_OPSURGPCT	Hospital	Percentage of all surgeries performed in outpatient setting																	-			Yes	Yes	Yes	HOSP_OPSURGPCT
HOSP_RNPCT	Hospital	Percentage of RNs among all nurses (RNs and LPNs)																				Yes	Yes	Yes	HOSP_RNPCT
HOSP_RNFTEAPD	Hospital	RN FTEs per 1000 adjusted inpatient days																	-			Yes	Yes	Yes	HOSP_RNFTEAPD
HOSPST	Core,	State postal code for the hospital (e.g., AZ for Arizona)	Yes	HOSPST																					
HOSPSTCO	Hospital Core (1988- 2002), Hospital (Beginning with 2002 NIS)	Modified Federal Information Processing Standards (FIPS) State/county code for the hospital	Yes	HOSPSTCO																					
HOSPWT	Hospital	Weight to hospitals in AHA universe (i.e., total U.S.) beginning in 1998				-	-			-			Yes	HOSPWT											
HOSPWT_F	Hospital	Weight to hospitals in the sample frame.	Yes		-				-		-					HOSPWT_F									
HOSPWT_S	Hospital	Weight to hospitals in the State	Yes		-				-		1					HOSPWT_S									
HOSPWT_U	Hospital	Weight to hospitals in AHA universe (i.e., total U.S.) prior to 1998	Yes		ı				-		1				-	HOSPWT_U									
HOSPZIP	Hospital	Hospital ZIP Code from AHA Annual Survey Database	-		-	-	1	Yes	HOSPZIP																
IDNUMBER	Hospital	AHA hospital identifier without the leading 6 (not available for all states)	Yes	IDNUMBER																					
KEY	Core, Severity, Dx_Pr_Grps	Unique record number for file beginning in 1998	1			1	1			1	1		Yes	KEY											
LOCTEACH	Hospital	Location/teaching status of hospital: (1) rural, (2) urban non-teaching, (3) urban teaching	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes			-															LOCTEACH
LOS	Core	Length of stay, edited	Yes	LOS																					
LOS_X	Core	Length of stay, as received from data source	Yes	LOS_X																					
MDC	Core	MDC in use on discharge date	Yes	MDC																					
MDC_NoPOA	Core	MDC in use on discharge date, calculated without Present on Admission (POA) indicators																						Yes	MDC_NoPOA
MDC10	Core	MDC Version 10 (effective October 1992 - September 1993)	Yes					-						MDC10											
MDC18	Core	MDC Version 18 (effective October 2000 - September 2001)											Yes					MDC18							
MDC24	Core	MDC Version 24 (effective October 2006 - September 2007)								-											Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	MDC24
MDID_S	Core	Synthetic attending physician number in files prior to 2001	Yes										MDID_S												
MDNUM1_R	Core	Re-identified primary physician number in files beginning in 2003																Yes	MDNUM1_R						
MDNUM1_S	Core	Synthetic primary physician number in files from 2001-2002														Yes	Yes								MDNUM1_S
MDNUM2_R	Core	Re-identified secondary physician number in files beginning in 2003							-					-				Yes	MDNUM2_R						
MDNUM2_S	Core	Synthetic secondary physician number in files from 2001-2002	-		-		-			-		-		-		Yes	Yes			-					MDNUM2_S
N_DISC_F	Hospital	Number of frame discharges in the stratum	Yes		1						-				-	N_DISC_F									
N_DISC_S	Hospital	Number of State's discharges in the stratum	Yes													N_DISC_S									

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N_DISC_U	Hospital	Number of AHA universe discharges in the NIS stratum	Yes	N_DISC_U																					
N_HOSP_F	Hospital	Number of frame hospitals in the stratum	Yes													N_HOSP_F									
N_HOSP_S	Hospital	Number of State's hospitals in the stratum	Yes													N_HOSP_S									
N_HOSP_U	Hospital	Number of AHA universe hospitals in the NIS stratum	Yes	N_HOSP_U																					
NCHRONIC	Core	Number of chronic conditions										-											Yes	Yes	NCHRONIC
NDX	Core	Number of diagnoses coded on the original record	Yes	NDX																					
NECODE	Core	Number of E codes coded on the original record beginning in 2003	-		-	-				-	-			-				Yes	NECODE						
NEOMAT	Core	Assigned from diagnoses and procedure codes: (0) not maternal or neonatal, (1) maternal diagnosis or procedure, (2) neonatal diagnosis, (3) maternal and neonatal on same record	Yes	NEOMAT																					
NIS_STRATUM	Core (beginning with 2000 NIS), Hospita	Stratum used to sample hospitals, based on geographic region, control, location/teaching status, and bed size. Stratum information is also in the Hospital Weights file.								-	-		Yes	NIS_STRATUM											
NPR	Core	Number of procedures coded on the original record	Yes	NPR																					
ORPROC	Core	Major operating room procedure indicator: (0) no major operating room procedure, (1) major operating room procedure										-	-										Yes	Yes	ORPROC
PAY1	Core	Expected primary payer, uniform: (1) Medicare, (2) Medicaid, (3) private including HMO, (4) self-pay, (5) no charge, (6) other	Yes	PAY1																					
PAY1_N	Core	Expected primary payer, nonuniform: (1) Medicare, (2) Medicaid, (3) Blue Cross, Blue Cross PPO, (4) commercial, PPO, (5) HMO, PHP, etc., (6) self-pay, (7) no charge, (8) Title V, (9) Worker's Compensation, (10) CHAMPUS, CHAMPVA, (11) other government, (12) other	Yes							-						PAY1_N									
PAY1_X	Core	Expected primary payer, as received from the data source			-	-				-		-	Yes	PAY1_X											
PAY2	Core	Expected secondary payer, uniform: (1) Medicare, (2) Medicaid, (3) private including HMO, (4) self-pay, (5) no charge, (6) other	Yes	PAY2																					
PAY2_N	Core	Expected secondary payer, nonuniform: (1) Medicare, (2) Medicaid, (3) Blue Cross, Blue Cross PPO, (4) commercial, PPO, (5) HMO, PHP, etc., (6) self-pay, (7) no charge, (8) Title V, (9) Worker's Compensation, (10) CHAMPUS, CHAMPVA, (11) other government, (12) other	Yes						-	1						PAY2_N									
PAY2_X	Core	Expected secondary payer, as received from the data source			-					-			Yes	PAY2_X											
PCCHPR1	Core	CCS category for principal procedure for NIS prior to 1998. CCS was formerly called the Clinical Classifications for Health Policy Research (CCHPR)	Yes							-						PCCHPR1									
PCLASS1-PCLASS15	Dx_Pr_Grps	Procedure class for all procedures for NIS beginning in 2005																		Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	PCLASS1-PCLASS15
PL_NCHS2006	Core	Patient Location: NCHS Urban-Rural Code (V2006). This is a six- category urban-rural classification scheme for U.S. counties: (1) "Central" counties of metro areas of >=1 million population, (2) "Fringe" counties of metro areas of >=1 million population, (3) Counties in metro areas of 250,000-999.999 population, (4) Counties in metro areas of 50,000-249,999 population, (5) Micropolitan counties, (6) Not metropolitan or micropolitan counties			1	1	1			1	1	1	1			1	1	1	1			Yes	Yes	Yes	PL_NCHS2006
PL_UR_CAT4	Core	Patient location: Urban-Rural 4 categories																Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes				PL_UR_CAT4
POINTOFORIGIN_X	Core	Point of origin for admission or visit, as received from source																				Yes	Yes	Yes	POINTOFORIGIN_X
POINTOFORIGIN_UB04	Core	Point of origin for admission or visit, UB-04 standard coding.																				Yes	Yes	Yes	POINTOFORIGIN_UB04
PR1-PR15	Core	Procedures, principal and secondary (ICD-9-CM)	Yes	PR1-PR15																					
PRCCS1-PRCCS15	Core	CCS category for all procedures for NIS beginning in 1998								-			Yes	PRCCS1-PRCCS15											
PRDAY1	Core	Number of days from admission to principal procedure. In the 1988-1997 NIS, only the day of principal procedure (PRDAY1) is available.	Yes	PRDAY1																					

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PRDAY2-PRDAY15	Core	Number of days from admission to secondary procedures. In the 1988-1997 NIS, only the day of principal procedure (PRDAY1) is available.	ı							1	1		Yes	PRDAY2-PRDAY15											
PRMCCS1	Dx_Pr_Grps	Multi-level clinical classification software (CCS) for principal procedure. Three levels for procedures presenting both the general groupings and very specific conditions	- 1							- 1	- 1					1	1	1	1				- 1	Yes	PRMCCS1
PROCESS	Core	Processing number	Yes					-		-				-	-	PROCESS									
PRSYS	Core	Procedure system: (1) ICD-9-CM, (2) CPT-4, (3) HCPCS/CPT-4	Yes	-			-	-	-		-		-			PRSYS									
PRV1-PRV15	Core	Procedure validity flag: (0) Indicates a valid and consistent procedure code, (1) Indicates an invalid code for the discharge date	Yes					-	-	1				-		PRV1-PRV15									
RACE	Core	Race, uniform coding: (1) white, (2) black, (3) Hispanic, (4) Asian or Pacific Islander, (5) Native American, (6) other	Yes	RACE																					
S_DISC_S	Hospital	Number of sampled discharges in the stratum STRAT_ST	Yes													S_DISC_S									
S_DISC_U	Hospital	Number of sampled discharges in the sampling stratum (NIS_STRATUM or STRATUM)	Yes	S_DISC_U																					
S_HOSP_S	Hospital	Number of sampled hospitals in STRAT_ST	Yes													S_HOSP_S									
S_HOSP_U	Hospital	Number of sampled hospitals in the stratum (NIS_STRATUM or STRATUM)	Yes	S_HOSP_U																					
SEQ	Core	Unique record number for NIS prior to 1998	Yes													SEQ									
SEQ_SID	Core	Unique record number for NIS prior to 1998						Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes													SEQ_SID
SEX	Core	Indicates gender for NIS prior to 1998: (1) male, (2) female	Yes													SEX									
ST_BEDSZ	Hospital	Bed size of hospital: (1) small, (2) medium, (3) large	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes												-						ST_BEDSZ
ST_OWNER	Hospital	Control/ownership of hospital: (1) public (2) private, non-profit (3) private for profit	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes		-	-	-								-				-		ST_OWNER
ST_REG	Hospital	Region of hospital: (1) Northeast, (2) Midwest, (3) South, (4) West	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes																		ST_REG
STRAT_ST	Hospital	Stratum for State-specific weights	Yes													STRAT_ST									
STRATUM	Hospital	Stratum used to sample hospitals prior to 1998; includes geographic region, control, location/teaching status, and bed size	Yes													STRATUM									
SURGID_S	Core	Synthetic secondary physician number in files prior to 2001	Yes				-				-		SURGID_S												
TOTAL_DISC	Hospital	Total number of discharges from this hospital in the NIS											Yes	TOTAL_DISC											
TOTCHG	Core	Total charges, edited	Yes	TOTCHG																					
TOTCHG_X	Core	Total charges, as received from data source	Yes	TOTCHG_X																					
TOTDSCHG	Hospital	Total number of discharges from this hospital in the NIS	Yes							-						TOTDSCHG									
TRAN_IN	Core	Transfer In Indicator: (0) not a transfer, (1) transferred in from a different acute care hospital [ATYPE NE 4 & (ASOURCE=2 or POO=4)], (2) transferred in from another type of health facility [ATYPE NE 4 & (ASOURCE=3 or POO=5,6)]	-																				Yes	Yes	TRAN_IN
YEAR	Core, Hospital	Discharge year	Yes	YEAR																					
ZIPINC	Core	Median household income category in 1998-2002 NIS files: (1) \$1-\$24,999, (2) \$25,000-\$34,999, (3) \$35,000-\$44,999, (4) \$45,000 and above.	-					-		-	-	-	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes		-	-			-		ZIPINC
ZIPINC_QRTL	Core	Median household income national quartiles for patient's ZIP Code																Yes	ZIPINC_QRTL						
ZIPINC4	Core	Median household income category in files prior to 1998: (1) \$1-\$25,000, (2) \$25,001-\$30,000, (3) \$30,001-\$35,000, (4) \$35,001 and above	Yes							1				1		ZIPINC4									
ZIPINC8	Core	Median household income category in files prior to 1998: (1) \$1-\$15,000, (2) \$15,001-\$20,000, (3) \$20,001-\$25,000, (4) \$25,001-\$30,000, (5) \$30,001-\$35,000, (6) \$35,001-\$40,000, (7) \$40,001-\$45,000, (8) \$45,001 or more	Yes							1				1		ZIPINC8									