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This file summarizes the characteristics of the interview, including type of questionnaire, duration, and whether or not the interview was conducted with a proxy respondent. There is one record for each person who completed an interview.

RIC	1	2				C Record Identification Code
VERSION	3	1				C Version Number
BASEID	4	8	\$BSIDFMT			C Unique SP Identification Number
				18,330		LOW-HIGH BASEID Count
INTERVU	12	1	\$INTRFMT			C Type of interview
				17,078		C Community
				1,252		F Facility
INT_DATE	13	6				C Interview Date (YYYYMMDD)
RESTART	19	2	STARFMT			N Was interview interrupted?
				1,252		. Inapplicable
				16,727		0 Not interrupted
				245		1 One restart
				74		2 Two restarts
				20		3 Three restarts
				12		Four or more restarts

Note: Applies only to Community interviews

LENGTH	21	5	LENFMT			N Duration of interview
				22		. Missing
				18,308		Minutes
LANG	26	2	\$LANGFMT	CL26		C Language of interview
				1,252		-1 Inapplicable
				16,543		E English
				516		S Spanish
				19		91 Other

Notes: Applies only to Community interviews  
 First available in 1992

PROXY	28	2	PROXFMT	IN4		N Self - respondent or proxy
				1,252		-1 Inapplicable
				15,178		1 SP responded
				1,900		2 Proxy responded

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D_PROXR	30	2	RELFMT				N Proxy's relationship to SP
				16,430			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				0			-5 Never ask again
				0			1 Sample person
				675			2 Spouse
				118			3 Son
				388			4 Daughter
				21			5 Brother
				70			6 Sister
				37			7 Father
				261			8 Mother
				14			9 Son-in-law
				48			10 Daughter-in-law
				7			11 Grandson
				36			12 Granddaughter
				9			13 Nephew
				33			14 Niece
				9			50 Partner/roommate
				37			51 Friend/neighbor
				1			52 Boarder
				3			53 Nurse/nurses aide
				4			54 Legal/financial officer
				13			55 Guardian
				32			91 Other relative
				83			92 Other non-relative

Note: Applies only to Community interviews with proxies

PNSPDED	32	2	IND1FMT				N Proxy necessary - SP deceased
				16,533			. Inapplicable
				2			-9 Not ascertained
				2			-8 Don't know
				0			1 Indicated
				1,793			2 Not indicated

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PNSPINH	34	2	IND1FMT				N Proxy necessary - SP in hospital
				16,533			. Inapplicable
				2			-9 Not ascertained
				2			-8 Don't know
				29			1 Indicated
				1,764			2 Not indicated

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PNSPINS	36	2	IND1FMT				N Proxy necessary - SP institutionalized
				16,533			. Inapplicable
				2			-9 Not ascertained
				2			-8 Don't know
				56			1 Indicated
				1,737			2 Not indicated

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PNSPLAN	38	2	IND1FMT			IN6a	N Proxy necessary - language problem
				16,533			. Inapplicable
				2			-9 Not ascertained
				2			-8 Don't know
				125			1 Indicated
				1,668			2 Not indicated
				Note: Applies only to Community interviews with proxies			
PNSPNAM	40	2	IND1FMT			IN6a	N Proxy necessary - SP not able mentally
				16,533			. Inapplicable
				2			-9 Not ascertained
				2			-8 Don't know
				744			1 Indicated
				1,049			2 Not indicated
				Note: Applies only to Community interviews with proxies			
PNSPNAP	42	2	IND1FMT			IN6a	N Proxy needed - SP not capable physically
				16,533			. Inapplicable
				2			-9 Not ascertained
				2			-8 Don't know
				632			1 Indicated
				1,161			2 Not indicated
				Notes: Applies only to Community interviews with proxies First available in 1995			
PNSPNOK	44	2	IND1FMT			IN6a	N Proxy needed - didn't keep med records
				16,533			. Inapplicable
				2			-9 Not ascertained
				2			-8 Don't know
				524			1 Indicated
				1,269			2 Not indicated
				Notes: Applies only to Community interviews with proxies First available in 1995			
PNSPOTH	46	2	IND1FMT			IN6a	N Proxy necessary - other reason
				16,533			. Inapplicable
				2			-9 Not ascertained
				2			-8 Don't know
				4			1 Indicated
				1,789			2 Not indicated
				Note: Applies only to Community interviews with proxies			

Variable	Col	Len	Format	Frequency	ComQues#	FacQues#	Variable Type & Label
PNSPPAP	48	2	IND1FMT	IN6a			N Proxy needed - SP prefers proxy answer
				16,533			. Inapplicable
				2			-9 Not ascertained
				2			-8 Don't know
				139			1 Indicated
				1,654			2 Not indicated
Notes: Applies only to Community interviews with proxies First available in 1995							
PNSPUNA	50	2	IND1FMT	IN6a			N Proxy necessary - SP unavailable
				16,533			. Inapplicable
				2			-9 Not ascertained
				2			-8 Don't know
				224			1 Indicated
				1,569			2 Not indicated
Notes: Applies only to Community interviews with proxies First available in 1992							
RRECHHELP	52	2	YES1FMT	IR3			N Did respondent receive help answering?
				4,199			. Inapplicable
				2,362			1 Yes
				11,769			2 No
Note: Optional interviewer data applicable to community interviews							
D_IHLPRL	54	2	RELFMT	IR3			N Helper's relationship to SP
				15,970			. Inapplicable
				0			-5 Never ask again
				0			1 Sample person
				1,686			2 Spouse
				73			3 Son
				238			4 Daughter
				10			5 Brother
				46			6 Sister
				15			7 Father
				54			8 Mother
				9			9 Son-in-law
				26			10 Daughter-in-law
				4			11 Grandson
				28			12 Granddaughter
				2			13 Nephew
				13			14 Niece
				21			50 Partner/roommate
				54			51 Friend/neighbor
				0			52 Boarder
				14			53 Nurse/nurses aide
				0			54 Legal/financial officer
				1			55 Guardian
				7			91 Other relative
				59			92 Other non-relative

Note: Applies only if RRECHHELP = 1

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RINFOSAT	56	2	YES1FMT				N Info provided by respondent satisfactory
				2,443			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				15,570			1 Yes
				316			2 No

Note: Optional interviewer data applicable to community interviews

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Note: Randomly-assigned number