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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
				16,315		LOW-HIGH BASEID Count
INTERVU	12	1	\$INTRFMT			C Type of interview
				15,142		C Community
				1,173		F Facility
INT_DATE	13	8				N Interview Date (YYYYMMDD)
RESTART	21	2	STARFMT			N Was interview interrupted?
				1,173		. Inapplicable
				14,680		0 Not interrupted
				315		1 One restart
				89		2 Two restarts
				36		3 Three restarts
				22		Four or more restarts

Note: Applies only to Community interviews

LENGTH	23	5	LENFMT			N Duration of interview
				18		. Missing
				16,297		Minutes
LANG	28	2	\$LANGFMT	CL26		C Language of interview
				1,173		-1 Inapplicable
				14,537		E English
				544		S Spanish
				61		91 Other

Notes: Applies only to Community interviews  
 First available in 1992

PROXY	30	2	PROXFMT	IN4		N Self - respondent or proxy
				713		. Missing
				1,173		-1 Inapplicable
				12,931		1 SP responded
				1,498		2 Proxy responded

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D_PROXR	32	2	RELFMT		IN4a		N Proxy's relationship to SP
				13,644			. Inapplicable
				0			-5 Never ask again
				0			1 Sample person
				531			2 Spouse
				88			3 Son
				295			4 Daughter
				17			5 Brother
				66			6 Sister
				36			7 Father
				215			8 Mother
				8			9 Son-in-law
				40			10 Daughter-in-law
				10			11 Grandson
				21			12 Granddaughter
				11			13 Nephew
				25			14 Niece
				7			50 Partner/roommate
				21			51 Friend/neighbor
				1			52 Boarder
				11			53 Nurse/nurses aide
				4			54 Legal/financial officer
				9			55 Guardian
				36			91 Other relative
				46			92 Other non-relative
				1,173			52 -1

Note: Applies only to Community interviews with proxies

PNSPDED	34	2	IND1FMT		IN6a		N Proxy necessary - SP deceased
				14,767			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				1			-8 Don't know
				0			1 Indicated
				1,546			2 Not indicated

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PNSPINH	36	2	IND1FMT		IN6a		N Proxy necessary - SP in hospital
				14,767			. Inapplicable
				2			-9 Not ascertained
				1			-8 Don't know
				25			1 Indicated
				1,520			2 Not indicated

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PNSPINS	38	2	IND1FMT		IN6a		N Proxy necessary - SP institutionalized
				14,767			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				1			-8 Don't know
				50			1 Indicated
				1,496			2 Not indicated

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Variable	Col	Len	Format	Frequency	ComQues#	FacQues#	Variable Type & Label
PNSPLAN	40	2	IND1FMT			IN6a	N Proxy necessary - language problem
				14,767			. Inapplicable
				2			-9 Not ascertained
				1			-8 Don't know
				99			1 Indicated
				1,446			2 Not indicated
				Note: Applies only to Community interviews with proxies			
PNSPNAM	42	2	IND1FMT			IN6a	N Proxy necessary - SP not able mentally
				14,767			. Inapplicable
				2			-9 Not ascertained
				1			-8 Don't know
				704			1 Indicated
				841			2 Not indicated
				Note: Applies only to Community interviews with proxies			
PNSPNAP	44	2	IND1FMT			IN6a	N Proxy needed - SP not capable physically
				14,767			. Inapplicable
				2			-9 Not ascertained
				1			-8 Don't know
				580			1 Indicated
				965			2 Not indicated
				Notes: Applies only to Community interviews with proxies First available in 1995			
PNSPNOK	46	2	IND1FMT			IN6a	N Proxy needed - didn't keep med records
				14,767			. Inapplicable
				2			-9 Not ascertained
				1			-8 Don't know
				473			1 Indicated
				1,072			2 Not indicated
				Notes: Applies only to Community interviews with proxies First available in 1995			
PNSPOTH	48	2	IND1FMT			IN6a	N Proxy necessary - other reason
				14,767			. Inapplicable
				2			-9 Not ascertained
				1			-8 Don't know
				3			1 Indicated
				1,542			2 Not indicated
				Note: Applies only to Community interviews with proxies			
PNSPPAP	50	2	IND1FMT			IN6a	N Proxy needed - SP prefers proxy answer
				14,767			. Inapplicable
				2			-9 Not ascertained
				1			-8 Don't know
				26			1 Indicated
				1,519			2 Not indicated
				Notes: Applies only to Community interviews with proxies First available in 1995			

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PNSPUNA 52 2 IND1FMT IN6a N Proxy necessary - SP unavailable  
 14,767 . Inapplicable  
 2 -9 Not ascertained  
 1 -8 Don't know  
 146 1 Indicated  
 1,399 2 Not indicated

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RRECHHELP 54 2 YES2FMT IR3 N Did respondent receive help answering?  
 713 . Missing  
 1,173 -1 Missing  
 2,697 1 Yes  
 11,732 2 No

Note: Optional interviewer data applicable to community interviews

D\_IHLPRL 56 2 RELFMT IR3 N Helper's relationship to SP  
 12,445 . Inapplicable  
 1 -5 Never ask again  
 0 1 Sample person  
 1,804 2 Spouse  
 117 3 Son  
 289 4 Daughter  
 10 5 Brother  
 53 6 Sister  
 20 7 Father  
 118 8 Mother  
 9 9 Son-in-law  
 31 10 Daughter-in-law  
 5 11 Grandson  
 29 12 Granddaughter  
 6 13 Nephew  
 21 14 Niece  
 21 50 Partner/roommate  
 61 51 Friend/neighbor  
 2 52 Boarder  
 21 53 Nurse/nurses aide  
 1 54 Legal/financial officer  
 4 55 Guardian  
 21 91 Other relative  
 53 92 Other non-relative  
 1,173 52 -1

Note: Applies only if RRECHHELP = 1

RINFOSAT 58 2 YES1FMT IR5 N Info provided by respondent satisfactory  
 1,836 . Inapplicable  
 1 -9 Not ascertained  
 14,227 1 Yes  
 251 2 No

Note: Optional interviewer data applicable to community interviews

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FACILID	60	6	\$FACIL				C Facility ID
				15,142			Inapplicable
				1,173			Facility ID

Note: Randomly-assigned number