MEMO

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RE: Layout of the March 2013 CPS Auxiliary Data (ASCII)

The March 2013 CPS Auxiliary data file contains identification information from the original March supplemental file, as well as recoded insurance variables and imputed information on the sources of employer sponsored insurance. The file is in the same order as the original Census issued file (person level only), and can be used with the full person level CPS file by matching PH-SEQ and A-LINENO.

More detailed information on the variables themselves can be found in "Technical Appendix: March 2013 CPS Auxiliary Data", from Cathi Callahan and Rodelle Williams.

Layout for the fixed format file is as follows:

Note: there is a blank space between each variable

Col	Variable	Start	Length	Description
1	PH-SEQ	1	5	Household Sequence Number
2	H-NUMPER	7	2	Number of Persons in Household
3	A-LINENO	10	2	Person Line Number
4	ESIPH	13	1	ESI policy holder? 1 = yes 0 = no
5	ESIDEP	15	1	ESI dependent? 1 = yes 0 = no
6	OPHIPH	17	1	Other private health insurance policy holder? 1 = yes 0 = no
7	OPHIDEP	19	1	Other private health insurance dependent? 1 = yes 0 = no
8	NMCAID	21	1	Covered by Medicaid? 1 = yes 0 = no
9	NMCARE	23	1	Covered by Medicare? 1 = yes 0 = no

10	CHAMP	25	1	Covered by Military? 1 = yes 0 = no
11	OTHER	27	1	Covered by Other? 1 = yes 0 = no
12	CHIPP	29	1	Covered by Children's Health Insurance? 1 = yes 0 = no
13	MARSUPWT	31	8	March Supplement Weight (float, 2 decimal places)
14	OFFER	40	1	Does your employer offer Health Insurance? 0 = n/a 1 = coverage through current employer 2 = offered, eligible, not enrolled 3 = offered, not enrolled, not eligible 4 = not offered
15	PRIOR	42	1	Do you have ESI through a Prior Employer? 0 = n/a 1 = yes 2 = no, current employer
16	NEWSECTOR	44	1	What sector is providing coverage? 0 = n/a 1 = Private 2 = Public, Federal 3 = Public, State 4 = Public, Local 5 = Self- employed, inc 6 = Self- employed, uninc
17	NEWSIZE	46	1	What size employer provided the coverage? 0 = n/a 1 = <10 2 = 10 - 49 3 = 50 - 99 4 = 100 - 499 5 = 500 - 999 6 = 1000+
18	EEPRIOR	48	1	Coverage through a prior employer (dependents only, attribute of policyholder) 0 = n/a 1 = yes, prior 2 = no, current employer
19	PHLINE	50	2	Line number (A-LINENO) of First Policy holder (deps. who are not ESI policy holders only) Valid: 1-14

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20    SIFLAG       53   1        Was coverage fully-insured or self-insured?
                                 0 = n/a
                                 1 = self-insured
                                 2 = fully-insured

21    HMOFLAG      55   1        What type of plan are you covered by?
                                 0 = n/a
                                 1 = HMO
                                 2 = PPO
                                 3 = POS
                                 4 = HDED

22    RETFLAG      57   1        Is prior coverage retiree or COBRA?
                                 (universe is PRIOR=1 or EEPRIOR=1)
                                 0 = n/a
                                 1 = retiree
                                 2 = COBRA

23    PH2LINE      59   1        Line number (A-LINENO) of second policy holder
                                 Valid:  1-7

24    NEWSECTOR2   61   1        Sector of coverage through second policy holder
                                 (if PH2LINE > 0).
                                 Valid: 1-6 (same values as NEWSECTOR)

25    NEWSIZE2     63   1        Size of employer covering through second policy
                                 holder (if PH2LINE > 0).
                                 Valid:  1-6 (same values as NEWSIZE).

26    UNION        65   1        Coverage through union?
                                 (for ESI Policy holders only, non-self-employed)
                                 0 = n/a
                                 1 = yes, union
                                 2 = no, not union

27    EEUNION      67   1        Coverage through a union?
                                 (for ESI deps only, based on PH attribute)
                                 0 = n/a
                                 1 = yes, union
                                 2 = no, not union

28    UNIONWORK    69   1        Union?
                                 (for non-self-employed workers only, current
                                 employment status)
                                 0 = n/a
                                 1 = yes, union
                                 2 = no, not union

29    AV           71   7        Actuarial Value
                                 (active ESI policy holder records only)
                                 -9 = n/a
                                 Range of valid values:  0.0000 to 0.9915

30    AVCELLAVG    79   7        Cell based average actuarial value
                                 (active ESI policy holder records only)
                                 -9 = n/a
                                 Range of valid values:  0.0000 to 0.9554
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31	AV_EXPER	87	7	Experimental Actuarial Value (active ESI policy holder records only) -9 = n/a Range of valid values: 0.0000 to 0.9930
32	MSPFLAG	95	1	Medicare Secondary Payer variable (all Medicare) 0 = Person does not have Medicare 1 = Medicare is secondary (ESI Primary) 2 = Medicare is primary (may or may not have ESI)
33	OOPEXP	97	8	Out of Pocket Expenditures on Over the Counter Purchases and Medical Equipment (sum of POTC-VAL and PMED-VAL) Range of valid values: 0 to 765020