

## Understanding Society User Support - Support #1525

### BHPS Wave 1-18: Which documentation to use to convert SIC codes (variable mrjsic) to actual industries.

03/23/2021 12:31 PM - Simon Cremer

<b>Status:</b>	Resolved	<b>Start date:</b>	03/23/2021
<b>Priority:</b>	High	<b>% Done:</b>	100%
<b>Assignee:</b>			
<b>Category:</b>			
<b>Description</b>			
I am currently using the British Household Panel Survey (study 5151). Specifically, I am using all waves 1-18 (1991-2008).			
I require support with regard to the SIC code variables for individuals' current job (mrjsic). I have already gotten in touch with the ONS, but they were unable to provide me with a valid mapping of SIC codes to industries. I have consulted the various SIC documentations that are available, but it remains unclear which classifications were used for each wave. For example, when looking at all SIC codes used in wave 1 (1991), amongst the SIC codes I find the code 4363. However, when looking at the classification documentation for SIC codes valid from 1980 to 1992, this SIC code is not listed. Hence, I need to conclude that wave 1 (1991) does not use the SIC documentation used from 1980 to 1992, but either a later or earlier one. Can you please help me understand which SIC documentation to use for each wave? Does each wave use the 2007 documentation?			
I hope that you can help me understand how to convert a SIC code from any wave to an actual industries.			

#### History

##### #1 - 03/24/2021 12:00 PM - Understanding Society User Support Team

- Status changed from New to In Progress

- Assignee set to Piotr Marzec

- % Done changed from 0 to 10

Many thanks for your enquiry. The Understanding Society team is looking into it and we will get back to you as soon as we can.

We aim to respond to simple queries within 48 hours and more complex issues within 7 working days. While we will aim to keep to this response times due to the current coronavirus (COVID-19) related situation it may take us longer to respond.

Best wishes,  
Understanding Society User Support Team

##### #2 - 03/31/2021 10:53 AM - Simon Cremer

Dear Understanding Society User Support Team,

I would appreciate if you are able to provide an update to my query. I need the information quite urgently now and the 7 days have passed.

Thank you very much in advance - I appreciate your efforts.

Simon Cremer

##### #3 - 03/31/2021 12:46 PM - Understanding Society User Support Team

- Status changed from In Progress to Feedback

- Assignee changed from Piotr Marzec to Alita Nandi

- % Done changed from 10 to 50

- Private changed from Yes to No

Hello Simon,

Please take a look at the BHPS User Guide: <https://www.iser.essex.ac.uk/bhps/documentation/vola/index.html> and the Quality Profile which discusses the SIC codes and how these were applied: <https://www.iser.essex.ac.uk/files/bhps/quality-profiles/BHPS-QP-01-03-06-v2.pdf>

Best wishes,  
Understanding Society User Support Team

**#4 - 08/05/2021 01:55 PM - Understanding Society User Support Team**

- Assignee deleted (*Alita Nandi*)

**#5 - 10/12/2021 04:55 PM - Understanding Society User Support Team**

- Status changed from *Feedback* to *Resolved*

- % Done changed from *50* to *100*