

Understanding Society User Support - Support #1538

Comparing health conditions across US waves 1-10

04/27/2021 02:33 PM - James Morrison

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Assignee:			
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Description			
Hello,			
<p>I am attempting track the number of health conditions participants across waves, to examine any correlation between changes in health conditions and economic security. When doing a cross-sectional analysis of W10 data, I used a count function in SPSS to determine how many conditions each participant has. To do so, I used the variables j_hconds01 to j_hconds97 for new entrants to the survey and j_hcondns1 to j_hcondns13 for newly diagnosed health conditions of previous participants. Using this, I found 7260 cases with one health condition and 4741 with more than one condition. This is a similar figure to the 12296 who answered yes to having a long-standing illness or impairment (j_health).</p>			
<p>I used the same syntax as the basis for creating a similar health condition flag in W9. It seems that between W9 and W10, there was a change in how the health condition questions were asked and far more conditions were inquired about. As such, I have used variables i_hconds01 to i_hconds17 for new entrants and i_hcondns1 to i_hcondns8. Using this, I found 3016 cases with one health condition and 708 with more than one condition. This is around a third of the total (12992) who answered yes to having a long-standing illness or impairment (j_health).</p>			
<p>Were the changes to the way that health conditions were recorded between w9 and w10 so great as to cause this disparity? I imagine not, and would greatly appreciate any advice on how I can capture the remaining participants with health conditions in w9 and earlier.</p>			
Thanks, James			

History

#1 - 04/28/2021 06:30 PM - Understanding Society User Support Team

- Status changed from New to In Progress
- % Done changed from 0 to 10
- Private changed from Yes to No

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 - 05/12/2021 06:01 PM - Understanding Society User Support Team

- File FAQ on HCONDS_addw10changes_20210511.pdf added
- Status changed from In Progress to Feedback
- % Done changed from 10 to 80

Hello,

We have updated the existing health conditions FAQ to include the changes made in Wave 10. I am attaching that note. Please take a look at this and we hope that it will help you sort out the difference across the waves that you find.

Best wishes,
Understanding Society User Support Team

#3 - 10/12/2021 03:01 PM - Understanding Society User Support Team

- Status changed from Feedback to Resolved
- % Done changed from 80 to 100

Files

FAQ on HCONDS_addw10changes_20210511.pdf	456 KB	05/12/2021	Understanding Society User Support Team
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