

Understanding Society User Support - Support #2039

Household identifier in Understanding Society COVID-19 Survey Waves

01/24/2024 10:07 AM - Laura L

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Priority:	Normal	% Done:	100%
Assignee:	Understanding Society User Support Team		
Category:	COVID-19		
Description			
I have a question about the use of the household identifiers (i_hidp, j_hidp, k_hidp) in the Understanding Society COVID-19 data. From what I understand from the user guide, j_hidp and k_hidp both refer to interviews made in 2019, in wave 10 and 11 of the main Understanding Society survey respectively. So, each respondent in the COVID-19 survey should either have j_hidp, and "-8" (inapplicable) in k_hidp, or viceversa. However, within the same COVID-19 survey wave respondents have both, except for few missing values (around 2-3 per identifier, code "-9"). Is there something I am not understanding? Shouldn't the two identifiers be alternative?			

History

#1 - 01/24/2024 04:46 PM - Understanding Society User Support Team

- Status changed from New to Feedback
- % Done changed from 0 to 80
- Private changed from Yes to No

Hello,

I am guessing you are referring to the values of these variables in the cw_indresp files. Indeed, in most cases these are non-missing for all three waves. This means that we have at least some information about the households the respondent was living in waves 9, 10, 11. We provided the information about all three identifiers to allow users to decide which wave they want to link the mainstage information from. However, when you are looking for the mainstage survey interviews completed in 2019, in most cases these would be either in wave 10 or 11 (depending on the sample month for a given household). This is reflected by the value of these identifiers in the jk_indresp_cv file (included in the "mainstage_data_2019" folder) - when j_hidp is non-missing k_hidp equals -12 and when k_hidp is non-missing j_hidp equals -13, and there is an extra jk_hidp variable which either takes the value of j_hidp or k_hidp.

I hope this helps.

Best wishes,
Piotr Marzec
UKHLS User Support

#2 - 01/24/2024 06:07 PM - Laura L

Understanding Society User Support Team wrote in [#note-1](#):

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Hi,

Thank you very much, this is very clear now.

Best regards,

Laura

#3 - 02/16/2024 12:44 PM - Understanding Society User Support Team

- *Status changed from Feedback to Resolved*

- *% Done changed from 80 to 100*