Understanding Society User Support - Support #367

Enquiry about class classification, SOC and NS-SEC

04/29/2015 09:39 AM - Min Zhang

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Description

Dear all, I am trying to examine the class association between parents and children in Understanding society data. However, as I prefer using the NS-SEC (the five-class version) as class measurement, the answers to the question regarding the father/mother's occupation when the respondents were aged 14 are coded as SOC2010, SOC2000, SOC1990.

The derivation of the NS-SEC from SOC, according to the NS-SEC manuals by Office for National Statistics, needs the information on size of organizations, employers/employees, supervisory status and the numbers of employees (if self-employed), but such information is not available, as far as I understood, for the questions regarding fathers' and mothers' occupational status. Another way to derive the NS-SEC is to use the derivation NS-SEC based on SOC table provided by Office for National Statistics. But the tables use 4-digit codes and the SOC coded in Understanding Society questionnaire uses 3-digit.

I am writing to ask if there is any way that fathers/mothers' occupation can be re-coded using the NS-SEC (five-class version)?

Thank you in advance.

Kind regards,

Min

History

#1 - 04/30/2015 03:41 PM - Gundi Knies

Hi Min.

if the ONS cross-walk tables are only provided for the full NS-SEC, it will be the easiest if you apply to get access to the Understanding Society special licence data. UK Data Service Study Number: 6931 includes the full (i.e. non-condenced) SOC codes which are 3-digits for SOC90 and 4-digits for SOC00 and SOC10. For further information on different release versions of the Understanding Society data, see the Understanding Society User Guide Wave 1-4, Chapter 4.1. It is accessible via this link https://www.understandingsociety.ac.uk/documentation/mainstage and also included among the UK Data Service study documentation documents.

Hope this helps, Gundi

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