

## Understanding Society User Support - Support #384

### NS-SEC variable

06/15/2015 07:34 PM - M Bourne

<b>Status:</b>	Closed	<b>Start date:</b>	06/15/2015
<b>Priority:</b>	High	<b>% Done:</b>	100%
<b>Assignee:</b>	M Bourne		
<b>Category:</b>	Questionnaire content		
<b>Description</b> Dear all,  I need to use the NS-SEC variables from waves 1 and 3. Two questions: 1. Why are so many cases listed as 'inapplicable'? - Are these all unemployed people? 2. If so, why are there so many unemployed people in the sample?			

### History

#### #1 - 06/16/2015 12:18 PM - Redmine Admin

- Category set to Data documentation
- Assignee set to M Bourne
- Target version set to X M
- % Done changed from 0 to 50

Info about method and underlying variables can be found, e.g. here:

[https://www.understandingsociety.ac.uk/documentation/mainstage/dataset-documentation/wave/1/datafile/a\\_indresp/variable/a\\_jbnssec\\_dy](https://www.understandingsociety.ac.uk/documentation/mainstage/dataset-documentation/wave/1/datafile/a_indresp/variable/a_jbnssec_dy)

See especially this question:

[https://www.understandingsociety.ac.uk/documentation/mainstage/dataset-documentation/wave/1/datafile/a\\_indresp/variable/a\\_jbsoc00](https://www.understandingsociety.ac.uk/documentation/mainstage/dataset-documentation/wave/1/datafile/a_indresp/variable/a_jbsoc00)

I hope this will help you with the employment stats you are after. Let us know if not.

Jakob

#### #2 - 06/17/2015 06:55 PM - M Bourne

Dear Jakob,

Thank you for this. It answers my first question - that those listed as inapplicable are unemployed (at least predominantly). But my second question has not been answered and I cannot find any information relating to this in the documentation - i.e. why is such a large proportion of the sample unemployed?

Thank you,

M Bourne

#### #3 - 06/18/2015 10:44 AM - Redmine Admin

- Category changed from Data documentation to 10
- Status changed from New to In Progress
- % Done changed from 50 to 60

Before asking about current job, we ask about current economic activity category, see:

[https://www.understandingsociety.ac.uk/documentation/mainstage/dataset-documentation/wave/1/datafile/a\\_indresp/variable/a\\_jbstat](https://www.understandingsociety.ac.uk/documentation/mainstage/dataset-documentation/wave/1/datafile/a_indresp/variable/a_jbstat)

for info on non-employment categories.

On behalf of the team, Jakob

#### #4 - 06/18/2015 03:20 PM - M Bourne

Great, thank you.

#### #5 - 06/18/2015 03:31 PM - Redmine Admin

- Status changed from In Progress to Closed
- % Done changed from 60 to 100