

## Understanding Society User Support - Support #606

### Employment status for waves 2 & 3

07/18/2016 01:22 PM - Gemma Daly

<b>Status:</b>	Closed	<b>Start date:</b>	07/18/2016
<b>Priority:</b>	Normal	<b>% Done:</b>	100%
<b>Assignee:</b>	Gemma Daly		
<b>Category:</b>	Questionnaire content		
<b>Description</b>			
Hello,			
I'm a researcher doing a cross-sectional analysis and i'm trying to find employment status for waves 2 and 3. I have downloaded waves 1-5, however, I can only find data on employment status for waves 1 and 5. Can you please advise me where I can find this data?			
Thank you, Gemma Daly			

#### History

##### #1 - 07/18/2016 02:03 PM - Gundi Knies

- Category set to Questionnaire content
- Status changed from New to Feedback
- Assignee set to Gemma Daly
- Target version set to X M
- % Done changed from 0 to 90

Hi Gemma,

I am not sure which employment status variables you are referring to that are only available in the data in some waves. The most commonly used variables are available in all waves, and this includes the employment status (i.e., `_jbstat` on data file `_indresp`, and variable `_employ` on data file `_indall`). You may find it useful to explore the questionnaire, in particular for wave 1 as this includes the bulk of the questions which are asked every year. You can also use the questionnaires to identify the variable names and the online dataset documentation provides you with information on wave occurrence. See

[https://www.understandingsociety.ac.uk/documentation/mainstage/dataset-documentation/wave/2/datafile/b\\_indresp/variable/b\\_employ](https://www.understandingsociety.ac.uk/documentation/mainstage/dataset-documentation/wave/2/datafile/b_indresp/variable/b_employ) and [https://www.understandingsociety.ac.uk/documentation/mainstage/dataset-documentation/wave/2/datafile/b\\_indresp/variable/b\\_jbstat](https://www.understandingsociety.ac.uk/documentation/mainstage/dataset-documentation/wave/2/datafile/b_indresp/variable/b_jbstat) for an example.

On behalf of the Understanding Society team,  
Gundi

##### #2 - 08/01/2016 09:50 AM - Victoria Nolan

- Status changed from Feedback to Closed
- % Done changed from 90 to 100
- Private changed from Yes to No