

## Understanding Society User Support - Support #997

### how to find the variable "drinking" in the BHPS?

07/07/2018 09:20 AM - Yuting Deng

<b>Status:</b>	Resolved	<b>Start date:</b>	07/07/2018
<b>Priority:</b>	Normal	<b>% Done:</b>	100%
<b>Assignee:</b>	Yuting Deng		
<b>Category:</b>	Data documentation		
<b>Description</b>			
Dear office,			
could I ask a question about the variable "drinking", which means the consumption of alcohol? It belongs to which index? I have find that the variable" smoking" and smoking-related variable. I am doing the research questions about the how the drinking and smoking can affect the person's health status?			
cheers, Yuting			

#### History

##### #1 - 07/09/2018 02:48 PM - Stephanie Auty

- Status changed from New to In Progress
- Assignee changed from Gundi Knies to Stephanie Auty
- % 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.

Best wishes,  
Stephanie Auty - Understanding Society User Support Officer

##### #2 - 07/16/2018 05:33 PM - Stephanie Auty

- Status changed from In Progress to Feedback
- Assignee changed from Stephanie Auty to Yuting Deng
- % Done changed from 10 to 80

Dear Yuting,

Alcohol consumption was not addressed in BHPS, so the only questions we have involving alcohol are wLACTF (leisure activities: go for a drink at a pub/club) and wHLPRBJ (health problems: alcohol or drugs).

We have a much larger selection of variables about alcohol consumption in Understanding Society Waves 2, 5 and 7, in the self-completion section, so you may want to consider using this data instead. I've linked to the Waves 5 and 7 modules here, and the Wave 2 self-completion section which was on paper.

[https://www.understandingsociety.ac.uk/sites/default/files/downloads/documentation/mainstage/questionnaire/wave-2/Wave\\_2\\_Adult\\_self-completion\\_with\\_variable\\_names\\_UPDATED\\_FOR\\_FULL\\_W2\\_RELEASE.pdf](https://www.understandingsociety.ac.uk/sites/default/files/downloads/documentation/mainstage/questionnaire/wave-2/Wave_2_Adult_self-completion_with_variable_names_UPDATED_FOR_FULL_W2_RELEASE.pdf)

[https://www.understandingsociety.ac.uk/documentation/mainstage/dataset-documentation/wave/5/questionnaire-module/scaalcohol\\_w5](https://www.understandingsociety.ac.uk/documentation/mainstage/dataset-documentation/wave/5/questionnaire-module/scaalcohol_w5)

[https://www.understandingsociety.ac.uk/documentation/mainstage/dataset-documentation/wave/7/questionnaire-module/scaalcoholconsumption\\_w7](https://www.understandingsociety.ac.uk/documentation/mainstage/dataset-documentation/wave/7/questionnaire-module/scaalcoholconsumption_w7)

The variables which relate to smoking in all waves are here:

<https://www.understandingsociety.ac.uk/documentation/mainstage/dataset-documentation/index/health-smoking>

Best wishes,  
Stephanie Auty - Understanding Society User Support Officer

##### #3 - 08/14/2018 05:46 PM - Stephanie Auty

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