

Release 9.0 Data and Documentation Issues and Corrections

1. Wave 9 C34 (ijbmemsz) Enterprise size. The categories 8 "Don't know but fewer than 100" & 9 "Don't know but 100 or more" were set to -3 "Don't know" [move to CAPI conversion error which interpreted the values as "Don't know" based on the value labels]
2. Wave 9 C18 (ijbmagh) Are hours worked at home result of formal arrangement with employer. All the 7 "Not applicable – self-employed" were changed to -2 "not applicable" [move to CAPI conversion error].
3. Wave 9 PQ (ihhiwin) "Which fieldwork period interview occurred" contains no data [overlooked during CAPI conversion].
4. Wave 9 HF19 interview status at end of initial fieldwork (ihgri1 to ihgri20) data incorrectly derived. Wave 9 HF19 interview status at end of final fieldwork (ihgrf1 to ihgrf20) data incorrectly derived. With the change of fieldwork providers, the wrong data source was used in deriving these variables.
5. In the master file, the sas format, spss and stata labels for variable hhsM are missing.

;value HHSM

1 = "Original Sample Member (OSM)"

2 = "Other Permanent Sample Member (OPM)"

3 = "Temporary Sample Member (TSM)"

6. Two wave 9 continuing persons were supplied by fieldwork (and in the wave 9 Rperson and Combined files) as new persons, even though they had been previously interviewed.

xwaveid ihhrpid fhhrpid iwptn

0600026 1377102 0245105 -----X--X

0600925 2372204 7624102 -----X--X

7. SAS variable widths. This problem occurs because of a change to stattransfer which means that you now can't turn off optimization. Optimization sets the length for each variable, but these lengths may change over time.

The combined files are patched so that the lengths are the same all waves. However the Rperson and Household files were overlooked. This will be fixed at the next release. However if you do need to create long versions of the release 90 Household, Eperson or Rperson SAS files, Bruce Bradbury has provided a generic SAS program to repair the lengths of variables across waves.

8. Consistency check on marital status. A variety of data checks and cleans are undertaken on current marital status. Unfortunately, the check for implausible change in marital status (from married, widowed or divorced to never married) was incomplete. The 50 or so problem cases were identified, but the cleans were not generated.