

Release 11.0 Data and Documentation Issues

- The categories for mutual obligation activities for the unemployed required by Centrelink or an Employment Service Provider were changed in the questionnaire and CAPI script for wave 11, but the fieldwork variable labels were not updated and in turn the variable mapping was not corrected. The variables in red contained mislabeled data at release 11. The variable labels are correct from release 12.

Release 11		Release 12	
kmreqps	E17 Ever been required by Centrelink/ES provider to do... - Part-time study	kmreqps	E17 Ever been required by Centrelink/ES provider to do... - Study
kmreqpw	E17 Ever been required by Centrelink/ES provider to do... - Part time paid work	kmreqpw	E17 Ever been required by Centrelink/ES provider to do... - Part time paid work
kmreqvu	E17 Ever been required by Centrelink/ES provider to do... - Voluntary unpaid work	kmreqvu	E17 Ever been required by Centrelink/ES provider to do... - Voluntary work
kmreqcw	E17 Ever been required by Centrelink/ES provider to do... - Community Work organised by a Community Work Coordinator	kmreqwd	E17 Ever been required by Centrelink/ES provider to do... - Work for the dole
kmreqwd	E17 Ever been required by Centrelink/ES provider to do... - Work for the dole	kmreqw	E17 Ever been required by Centrelink/ES provider to do... - Unpaid Work Experience Placements
kmreqjs	E17 Ever been required by Centrelink/ES provider to do... - Job Search Training	kmreqjs	E17 Ever been required by Centrelink/ES provider to do... - Job Search Training
kmreqln	E17 Ever been required by Centrelink/ES provider to do... - Approved literacy/numeracy training	kmreqln	E17 Ever been required by Centrelink/ES provider to do... - Approved literacy/numeracy training
kmreqgc	E17 Ever been required by Centrelink/ES provider to do... - Green Corps	kmreqgc	E17 Ever been required by Centrelink/ES provider to do... - Green Corps
kmreqje	E17 Ever been required by Centrelink/ES provider to do... - Job Placement Employment and Training	kmreqcd	E17 Ever been required by Centrelink/ES provider to do... - Community Development Employment projects
kmreqcd	E17 Ever been required by Centrelink/ES provider to do... - Community Development Employment projects	kmreqrl	E17 Ever been required by Centrelink/ES provider to do... - Relocating to an area of better employment prospects
kmreqrl	E17 Ever been required by Centrelink/ES provider to do... - Relocating to an area of better employment prospects	kmreqaa	E17 Ever been required by Centrelink/ES provider to do... - Australian Apprenticeship Access Program
kmreqaa	E17 Ever been required by Centrelink/ES provider to do... - Australian Apprenticeship Access Program	kmreqdf	E17 Ever been required by Centrelink/ES provider to do... - Defence Force Reserve
kmreqyp	E17 Ever been required by Centrelink/ES provider to do... - Youth Pathways Program	kmreqog	E17 Ever been required by Centrelink/ES provider to do... - Other government employment or training programs
kmreqdf	E17 Ever been required by Centrelink/ES provider to do... - Defence Force Reserve	kmreqnv	E17 Ever been required by Centrelink/ES provider to do... - Non-vocational programs

- Wave 11 number of grandchildren (kgcnum) was equal to 1 (for ‘has grandchildren’). Now contains the number of grandchildren (from 1 to 20).
- Restored longitudinal weight wleb__j “DV: Enumerated person longitudinal weights - Balanced W2, W6 and W10” (wealth module years). This was supplied in release 10 but left off the longitudinal weights file in release 11.

- Corrections have been applied to the history variables `_fmhsib` ‘History: Ever had any siblings’ and `_fmhsibn` ‘History: How many siblings’ to eliminate the small numbers (<70 cases) of ‘not asked’ for waves 3 to 11. At wave 1 (only) some family background questions were skipped if the respondent was still living with both their parents. Derived variables were supplied which filled-in responses created from the parent’s data. The wave 2 history program correctly used the derived versions, but from wave 3 onwards the history program was using the ‘as asked’ wave 1 responses when carrying forward the data. The history variables were incorrect if the respondent was living with both parents at wave 1, was not interviewed at wave 2 and was interviewed at wave 3.
- In addition, `_fmfuemp` ‘History: Was father unemployed for 6 months or more while you were growing up’ was miscalculated at wave 2 (using the ‘as asked’ wave 1 responses rather than the derived variable). Corrected so that ‘not asked’ only applies if the respondent was not living with their father at age 14.
- Renamed 56 wave 1 family background variables. The wave 1 variable names were inconsistent with our general rule that variables with the same name contain the same measure across waves. At wave 1 only, the family background questions B7 to B16 were skipped if the respondent was still living with both parents. A set of derived variables was created in release 1 with the information added for these respondents if both parents were interviewed (in releases 1 to 11 these derived versions had "d" appended to the variable name). For release 12 both the collected and derived wave 1 variables have been renamed. Collected variable names now have "o" (for original) appended, and the derived variables have had the "d" removed. This corrects the unusually large number of ‘not asked’ for the variables at wave 1, but not at other waves.

Releases 1-11	Release 12	Label
Collected		
<code>afmhsib</code>	<code>afmhsibo</code>	B7 Ever had any siblings
<code>afmnsib</code>	<code>afmnsibo</code>	B8 How many siblings
<code>afmeldst</code>	<code>afmeldso</code>	B9 Were you the oldest
<code>afmfcob</code>	<code>afmfcobo</code>	B10a Father's Country of Birth
<code>afmmcob</code>	<code>afmmcobo</code>	B10b Mother's Country of Birth
<code>afmfemp</code>	<code>afmfempo</code>	B12 Was father in paid employment when you were 14
<code>afmfo62</code>	<code>afmfo62o</code>	B13abc Father's occupation. 2-digit ANZSCO 2006
<code>afmfocc2</code>	<code>afmfoc2o</code>	B13abc Father's occupation. 2-digit ASCO
<code>afmfuemp</code>	<code>afmfuemo</code>	B14 Was father unemployed for 6 months
<code>afmmemp</code>	<code>afmmempo</code>	B15 Was mother in paid employment when you were 14
<code>afmmo62</code>	<code>afmmo62o</code>	B16abc Mother's occupation. 2-digit ANZSCO 2006
<code>afmmocc2</code>	<code>afmmoc2o</code>	B16abc Mother's occupation. 2-digit ASCO
<code>afmfoccs</code>	<code>afmfocos</code>	ANU4 occupational status scale, Father at age 14
<code>afmmoccs</code>	<code>afmmocos</code>	ANU4 occupational status scale, Mother at age 14
<code>afmfo6s</code>	<code>afmfo6os</code>	AUSEI06 occupational status scale, Father at age 14
<code>afmmo6s</code>	<code>afmmo6os</code>	AUSEI06 occupational status scale, Mother at age 14
<code>afmfi82</code>	<code>afmfi82o</code>	ISCO-88 2-digit B13abc Father's occupation
<code>afmmi82</code>	<code>afmmi82o</code>	ISCO-88 2-digit B16abc Mother's occupation
<code>afmf682</code>	<code>afmf682o</code>	ISCO-88 2-digit from ANZSCO 2006 B13abc Father's occupation
<code>afmm682</code>	<code>afmm682o</code>	ISCO-88 2-digit from ANZSCO 2006 B16abc Mother's occupation
<code>afmfocc</code>	<code>afmfocco</code>	DV: B13abc Father's occupation
<code>afmmocc</code>	<code>afmmocco</code>	DV: B16abc Mother's occupation
<code>afmfo06</code>	<code>afmfo06o</code>	DV: B13abc Father's occupation ANZSCO 2006
<code>afmmo06</code>	<code>afmmo06o</code>	DV: B16abc Mother's occupation ANZSCO 2006
<code>afmfi88</code>	<code>afmfi88o</code>	DV: ISCO-88 B13abc Father's occupation
<code>afmmi88</code>	<code>afmmi88o</code>	DV: ISCO-88 B16abc Mother's occupation

<i>afmf688</i>	<i>afmf688o</i>	<i>DV: ISCO-88 from ANZSCO 2006 B13abc Father's occupation</i>
<i>afmm688</i>	<i>afmm688o</i>	<i>DV: ISCO-88 from ANZSCO 2006 B16abc Mother's occupation</i>
Derived		
afmhsibd	afmhsib	B7 Ever had any siblings (derived if living with both parents)
afmnsibd	afmnsib	B8 How many siblings (derived if living with both parents)
afmeldsd	afmeldst	B9 Were you the oldest (derived if living with both parents)
afmfcobd	afmfcob	B10a Father's Country of Birth (derived if living with both parents)
afmmcobd	afmmcob	B10b Mother's Country of Birth (derived if living with both parents)
afmfempd	afmfemp	B12 Was father in paid employment when you were 14 (derived if living with both parents)
afmfo62d	afmfo62	B13abc Father's occupation. 2-digit ANZSCO 2006 (derived if living with both parents)
afmfoc2d	afmfocc2	B13abc Father's occupation. 2-digit ASCO (derived if living with both parents)
afmfuemd	afmfuemp	B14 Was father unemployed for 6 months (derived if living with both parents)
afmmempd	afmmemp	B15 Was mother in paid employment when you were 14 (derived if living with both parents)
afmmo62d	afmmo62	B16abc Mother's occupation. 2-digit ANZSCO 2006 (derived if living with both parents)
afmmoc2d	afmmocc2	B16abc Mother's occupation. 2-digit ASCO (derived if living with both parents)
afmfocds	afmfoccs	ANU4 occupational status scale, Father at age 14 (derived if living with both parents)
afmmocds	afmmoccs	ANU4 occupational status scale, Mother at age 14 (derived if living with both parents)
afmfo6ds	afmfo6s	AUSEI06 occupational status scale, Father at age 14 (derived if living with both parents)
afmmo6ds	afmmo6s	AUSEI06 occupational status scale, Mother at age 14 (derived if living with both parents)
afmfi82d	afmfi82	ISCO-88 2-digit B13abc Father's occupation (derived if living with both parents)
afmmi82d	afmmi82	ISCO-88 2-digit B16abc Mother's occupation (derived if living with both parents)
afmf682d	afmf682	ISCO-88 2-digit from ANZSCO 2006 B13abc Father's occupation (derived if living with both parents)
afmm682d	afmm682	ISCO-88 2-digit from ANZSCO 2006 B16abc Mother's occupation (derived if living with both parents)
<i>afmfoccd</i>	<i>afmfocc</i>	<i>DV: B13abc Father's occupation (derived if living with both parents)</i>
<i>afmmoccd</i>	<i>afmmocc</i>	<i>DV: B16abc Mother's occupation (derived if living with both parents)</i>
<i>afmfo06d</i>	<i>afmfo06</i>	<i>DV: B13abc Father's occupation ANZSCO 2006 (derived if living with both parents)</i>
<i>afmmo06d</i>	<i>afmmo06</i>	<i>DV: B16abc Mother's occupation ANZSCO 2006 (derived if living with both parents)</i>
<i>afmfi88d</i>	<i>afmfi88</i>	<i>DV: ISCO-88 B13abc Father's occupation (derived if living with both parents)</i>
<i>afmmi88d</i>	<i>afmmi88</i>	<i>DV: ISCO-88 B16abc Mother's occupation (derived if living with both parents)</i>
<i>afmf688d</i>	<i>afmf688</i>	<i>DV: ISCO-88 from ANZSCO 2006 B13abc Father's occupation (derived if living with both parents)</i>
<i>afmm688d</i>	<i>afmm688</i>	<i>DV: ISCO-88 from ANZSCO 2006 B16abc Mother's occupation (derived if living with both parents)</i>

Italics: 4-digit versions available in In-Confidence files.

- Wave 11 SCQ items for “had any expenditure” and “amount of expenditure” did not have ‘not asked’ and ‘no answer’ adjusted in accord with the rules applied in waves 5 to 10 (due to the removal of some expenditure items from the SCQ at wave 11). All other answers (yes, no, \$ amount, no scq, don’t know) are unchanged. Only the conversion of ‘no answer’ to ‘not asked’ [when they did not have responsibility for household bills (C5) and no “had any expenditure” or “amounts of expenditure” were recorded (C6 items)] was incorrect.
- Due to a questionnaire and CAPI script change, three wave 11 variables (C24 kjbmplej “Percent chance of voluntarily leaving job in next 12 months”; C25 kjbmploj “Percent chance of losing job in next 12 months”; and C26 kjbmpgj “Percent chance will find and accept job at least as good as current job”) contained

spurious 996 codes (these were -3's Don't Know). The -3's in C24 and C26 were actually 999's "Not Currently Working".

- Number of children you intend to have variables `_icn` and `icniz` are now complete series. A fix was applied in release 9 "For consistency across waves, in the years the fertility module is asked (waves 5, 8 and 11) `_icn` renamed to `_icniz` (including 0). `_icn` is now a derived variable 'DV: How many more children do you intend to have' which excludes zero." This fix has been expanded to create `icniz` in the other waves. `_icniz` (includes zero) variables are presumed to be zero if the expectation to have more children is unlikely or not very likely. For waves 1-4 `_icniz`, female age is restricted to 18-44 to accord with later waves. In addition, the `_icn` DV variables in fertility years are now set to implausible (-6) if the expectation to have more children is likely or high and the expected number of children reported was zero.
- The calendar was excluded from the questionnaire for the wave 11 "top-up" sample. For this group the variables derived from the Calendar were, by default, set to 0. These have been reset to -1 'Not asked'. The change affects these wave 11 variables:
 - `kcapeft` 'DV: Per cent time spent in FT education in last financial year'
 - `kcapept` 'DV: Per cent time spent in PT education in last financial year'
 - `kcapj` 'DV: Per cent time spent in jobs in last financial year'
 - `kcapune` 'DV: Per cent time spent unemployed in last financial year'
 - `kcapnlf` 'DV: Per cent time spent not in the labour force in last financial year'
- 10 additional enumerated people (8 children and 2 adults) have been added to the wave 11 top-up sample. These were household members at wave 12 who had joined the household prior to wave 11. When the wave 11 fieldwork files were reviewed it became apparent they should have been listed as household members in wave 11 as well. Additional `xwaveids` 1106576 to 1106585.
- Topcoding. The weighted topcodes used as one of the methods of confidentialising the general release datasets have had the thresholds reviewed and are now incremented by an inflation factor. The thresholds used are supplied in the Documentation zip in "HILDA-thresholds-by-wave.csv" which can be opened in Excel. Note that the value substituted in the data is not the threshold in the spreadsheet, but the weighted average of all the cases that exceed the threshold, so the value substituted will be some number greater than the threshold.
- Cross National Equivalence File (CNEF). This is now supplied in a single long file in the Stata, SAS and SPSS zips. The standard CNEF variable names (as used in the HILDA-CNEF documentation) are prepended with 'zz' so they do not duplicate German Panel (GSOEP) variable names.
- `_edhigh` 'History: Highest education level achieved' has been replaced with `_edhigh1` (all waves). The old categories "Certificate I or II" and "Certificate -undefined" have been moved into the existing category "Year 11 and below" to make the variable correctly ordinal.
- `ivwnum` "DV: Number of PQ interviews" has been added to the Master file. This is the cumulative numbers of times the respondent has been interviewed over all waves of HILDA (so in release 12 it has values from 0 to 12).
- Child Care Benefit. Estimated child care benefit receipt variables were included in the income model's "pensions and benefits" in the very early releases of HILDA, but were removed from the model and treated as a payment in kind for releases 5 to 12. We really don't have quite enough information to estimate them accurately. As they are no longer used in the income model, they have been removed from the datasets (all waves).

File	Variable	Label
EP	_bnfccb	DV: Child Care Benefit (\$) financial year [estimated]
HH	_hifccb	DV: Household Child Care Benefit (\$) financial year [estimated]
HH	_bnccbf1	DV: Family number 1 Child Care Benefit (\$) financial year [estimated]
HH	_bnccbf2	DV: Family number 2 Child Care Benefit (\$) financial year [estimated]
HH	_bnccbf3	DV: Family number 3 Child Care Benefit (\$) financial year [estimated]
RP	_bnfccb	DV: Child Care Benefit (\$) financial year [estimated]

- Wave 11 salary sacrifice and non-cash benefits. The backcoding of ‘what period does that cover – other (specify)’ for salary sacrifice and non-cash benefits was not done last release (11). The period data is collected in a complex set of CAPI script loops and is output in a separate dataset to all the other “other - specify” text responses. Wave 11 was the second wave in which salary sacrifice and non-cash benefits were collected and this additional dataset was overlooked. For the backcoded cases some derived variables values change and there are fewer cases imputed. Impacts these 18 derived variables:

DV	Imputed	Flag	Label
ksscm	ksscmi	ksscmf	DV: Current weekly salary sacrifice - main job
kssco	ksscoi	ksscof	DV: Current weekly salary sacrifice - other jobs
kssfa	kssfai	kssfaf	DV: Financial year salary sacrifice
knbcm	knbcmi	knbcmf	DV: Current weekly non-cash benefits - main job
knbco	knbcoi	knbcof	DV: Current weekly non-cash benefits - other jobs
knbfa	knbfai	knbfaf	DV: Financial year non-cash benefits