

Note About Updated Background Variables:

Education, Race and Spanish Descent

Updated information on Education, Race, and Spanish Descent for Head and Wife/"wife" respondents for data collection years 1994-2001 has been added to the Public Release I data files for these respective years. For new Head's and Wive's/"wive's", this information is obtained by asking questions in Sections K and L during the data collection year. For Head's and Wive's/"wive's" who participated in prior years, this information is brought forward for each year. The procedure for bringing forward the background information is described in the documentation of respective Public Release I files.

These variables are available through the Data-Center only. The following tables provide the list of updated background variables:

Years	Variable Name	Variable Label
1994	UPEDU94H	UPDATED: YEARS OF EDUCATION-HEAD
	UPEDU94W	UPDATED: YEARS OF EDUCATION-WIFE
	UPR94HM1	UPDATED: RACE OF HEAD, 1ST MENTION
	UPR94WM1	UPDATED: RACE OF WIFE, 1ST MENTION
	UPR94HM2	UPDATED: RACE OF HEAD, 2ND MENTION
	UPR94WM2	UPDATED: RACE OF WIFE, 2ND MENTION
	UPSPD94H	UPDATED: SPANISH DECENT OF HEAD
	UPSPD94W	UPDATED: SPANISH DECENT OF WIFE
1995	UPEDU95H	UPDATED: YEARS OF EDUCATION-HEAD
	UPEDU95W	UPDATED: YEARS OF EDUCATION-WIFE
	UPR95HM1	UPDATED: RACE OF HEAD, 1ST MENTION
	UPR95WM1	UPDATED: RACE OF WIFE, 1ST MENTION
	UPR95HM2	UPDATED: RACE OF HEAD, 2ND MENTION
	UPR95WM2	UPDATED: RACE OF WIFE, 2ND MENTION
	UPSPD95H	UPDATED: SPANISH DECENT OF HEAD
	UPSPD95W	UPDATED: SPANISH DECENT OF WIFE
1996	UPEDU96H	UPDATED: YEARS OF EDUCATION-HEAD
	UPEDU96W	UPDATED: YEARS OF EDUCATION-WIFE
	UPR96HM1	UPDATED: RACE OF HEAD, 1ST MENTION
	UPR96WM1	UPDATED: RACE OF WIFE, 1ST MENTION
	UPR96HM2	UPDATED: RACE OF HEAD, 2ND MENTION
	UPR96WM2	UPDATED: RACE OF WIFE, 2ND MENTION
	UPSPD96H	UPDATED: SPANISH DECENT OF HEAD
	UPSPD96W	UPDATED: SPANISH DECENT OF WIFE
1997	UPEDU97H	UPDATED: YEARS OF EDUCATION-HEAD
	UPEDU97W	UPDATED: YEARS OF EDUCATION-WIFE
1999	UPEDU99H	UPDATED: YEARS OF EDUCATION-HEAD

	UPEDU99W	UPDATED: YEARS OF EDUCATION-WIFE
2001	UPEDU01H	UPDATED: YEARS OF EDUCATION-HEAD
	UPEDU01W	UPDATED: YEARS OF EDUCATION-WIFE

and their codes are listed in this table.

Codes for Updated Variables		
Variable Name	Value	Code Text
Race (mention 1)	1	White
	2	Black
	3	American Indian, Aluet, Eskimo
	4	Asian, Pacific Islander
	5	Mentions Latino origin or descent
	6	Mentions color other than black or white
	7	Other
	9	NA; DK
	0	Inap.
Race (mention 2)	1	White
	2	Black
	3	American Indian, Aluet, Eskimo
	4	Asian, Pacific Islander
	5	Mentions Latino origin or descent
	6	Mentions color other than black or white
	7	Other
	8	Multiple mentions
	0	Inap
Spanish descent	1	Mexican
	2	Mexican American
	3	Chicano
	4	Puerto Rican
	5	Cuban
	6	Combination; more than one mention
	7	Other Spanish; Hispanic; Latino
	0	Inap.; is not Spanish/Hispanic
Education	1-17	Actual grade completed
	98	Still in school
	99	NA
	0	No education

All reports of a foreign education degree have been converted to U.S. school years.

Please contact PSID help at psidhelp@isr.umich.edu if you have questions about these variables.