

Episode File Variables

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Variable Name	Variable (VAR) Label	VAR Type	Notes
SURVEY	SURVEY NAME	Char	
PUBLICID	NHIS PUBLIC USE ID	Char	Public use identifier for NHIS participants. For information on how to create PUBLICID from the public-use data, please see note in the analytic guidelines.
SEQN	NHANES RESPONDENT SEQUENCE NUMBER	Num	Public use identifier for NHANES participants
[PROGRAM]_BEG_DATE1	[PROGRAM] BEGIN DATE-EPIISODE 1	Num	The program code can be MTW_HCV, MTW_PH, Other_MF, PBS8, PH, HCV, or overall. The begin date was determined from the dates on the transaction file. This variable is stored as a SAS date.
[PROGRAM]_BEG_DATE2	[PROGRAM] BEGIN DATE-EPIISODE 2	Num	(see note above)
[PROGRAM]_BEG_DATE3	[PROGRAM] BEGIN DATE-EPIISODE 3	Num	(see note above)
[PROGRAM]_BEG_DATE4	[PROGRAM] BEGIN DATE-EPIISODE 4	Num	(see note above)
[PROGRAM]_BEG_DATE5	[PROGRAM] BEGIN DATE-EPIISODE 5	Num	(see note above)
[PROGRAM]_BEG_DATE6	[PROGRAM] BEGIN DATE-EPIISODE 6	Num	(see note above)
[PROGRAM]_BEG_DATE7	[PROGRAM] BEGIN DATE-EPIISODE 7	Num	(see note above)
[PROGRAM]_BEG_DATE8	[PROGRAM] BEGIN DATE-EPIISODE 8	Num	(see note above)
[PROGRAM]_BEG_DATE9	[PROGRAM] BEGIN DATE-EPIISODE 9	Num	(see note above)
[PROGRAM]_BEG_DATE10	[PROGRAM] BEGIN DATE-EPIISODE 10	Num	(see note above)
[PROGRAM]_BEG_DATE11	[PROGRAM] BEGIN DATE-EPIISODE 11	Num	(see note above)
[PROGRAM]_END_DATE1	[PROGRAM] END DATE-EPIISODE 1	Num	The program code can be MTW_HCV, MTW_PH, Other_MF, PBS8, PH, HCV, or overall. The end date was determined from the dates on the transaction file. This variable is stored as a SAS date.

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[PROGRAM]_END_DATE11	[PROGRAM] END DATE-EPIISODE 11	Num	(see note above)