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**MEDICARE CURRENT BENEFICIARY SURVEY**  
Key Record

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The BASEID key identifies the person interviewed. It is an 8-digit element, consisting of a unique, randomly assigned 7-digit number concatenated with a single-digit checkdigit. In addition to the BASEID, the KEY file contains the type of interview conducted and other variables for classifying the beneficiary. There is one record for each person who completed an interview.

RIC	1	2					C Record Identification Code
VERSION	3	1					C Version Number
BASEID	4	8	\$BSIDFMT				C Unique SP Identification Number
				12,864			LOW-HIGH BASEID Count
SAMPLECD	12	2	\$SAMFMT				C Start of Medicare entitlement
				0			** Not entitled
				12,113			00 Entitled before 1998
				384			01 First entitled in 1998
				367			02 First entitled in 1999
FIRSTRND	14	2	\$FRDFMT				C First round of interviews
				0			16 First interview in R16
				0			19 First interview in R19
				3,616			22 First interview in R22
				4,042			25 First interview in R25
				4,471			28 First interview in R28
				367			31 First interview in R31
				368			34 First interview in R34
TYPE	16	1	\$TYPEFMT				C Beneficiary's living situation for year
				251			B Both
				11,642			C Community
				971			F Facility
SNF	17	1	\$SNFFMT				C Any SNF stay?
				12,276			N No SNF stays during the calendar year
				588			Y One or more SNF stays during the year
STATUS	18	2	\$STAFMT				C Completeness of survey data for the year
				11,073			40 Complete, alive as of 12/31
				636			50 Complete, death on or before 12/31
				389			60 Incomplete, alive as of 12/31
				31			70 Incomplete, death on or before 12/31
				735			99 Round 25 or 28 panel
C_DAYS	20	3	DAYFMT				N Number of community days
				971			0 Zero
				395			0<-122 1-122
				299			122<-244 123-244
				549			244<-364 245-364
				10,650			365 All year
F_DAYS	23	3	DAYFMT				N Number of facility days
				11,650			0 Zero
				216			0<-122 1-122
				116			122<-244 123-244
				200			244<-364 245-364

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				682			365 All year
S_DAYS	26	3	DAYFMT				N Number of SNF days
				12,276			0 Zero
				576			0<-122 1-122
				9			122<-244 123-244
				3			244<-364 245-364
				0			365 All year
TOT_DAYS	29	3	DAYFMT				N Total person days
				0			0 Zero
				385			0<-122 1-122
				292			122<-244 123-244
				290			244<-364 245-364
				11,897			365 All year