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This file contains demographic information collected in the survey. There is one record for each person who completed an interview. Similar data obtained from CMS administrative files such as date of birth and gender may be found in RIC A.

RIC	1	2				C Record Identification Code
VERSION	3	1				C Version Number
BASEID	4	8	\$BSIDFMT			C Unique SP Identification Number
				17,936		LOW-HIGH BASEID Count
D_DOB	12	6	\$DTE6FMT	IN9	RH9	C Date of birth (YYYYMM)
				17,935		0-999999 Date in YYYYMM format
				1		Missing
ROSTSEX	18	2	SEXFMT	IN11	RH6	N Gender of SP
				7,805		1 Male
				10,131		2 Female
D_AFEVER	20	2	YES1FMT	EN9	BQ12	N SP ever served in armed forces (AF)?
				2		. Inapplicable
				107		-8 Don't know
				5		-7 Refused
				4,381		1 Yes
				13,441		2 No

NOTE: Inapplicable if SP is less than 17 years old (15 for Facility CAPI).

D_AFVIET	22	2	YES1FMT	EN10	BQ12A	N SP served in AF during Vietnam era?
				13,555		. Inapplicable
				1		-9 Not ascertained
				16		-8 Don't know
				379		1 Yes
				3,985		2 No

NOTE: Applies only if D\_AFEVER = 1

D_AFKORE	24	2	YES1FMT	EN10	BQ12A	N SP served in AF during Korean conflict?
				13,555		. Inapplicable
				1		-9 Not ascertained
				16		-8 Don't know
				1,523		1 Yes
				2,841		2 No

NOTE: Applies only if D\_AFEVER = 1

D_AFWWII	26	2	YES1FMT	EN10	BQ12A	N SP served in AF during World War II?
				13,555		. Inapplicable
				1		-9 Not ascertained
				16		-8 Don't know
				2,679		1 Yes
				1,685		2 No

NOTE: Applies only if D\_AFEVER = 1

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D_AFWWI	28	2	YES1FMT		EN10	BQ12A	N SP served in AF during World War I?
				13,555			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				16			-8 Don't know
				5			1 Yes
				4,359			2 No
				NOTE: Applies only if D_AFEVER = 1			
D_AFPEAC	30	2	YES1FMT		EN10	BQ12A	N SP served in AF during peace time?
				13,555			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				16			-8 Don't know
				355			1 Yes
				4,009			2 No
				NOTE: Applies only if D_AFEVER = 1			
D_NGEVER	32	2	YES1FMT		EN11	BQ12B	N SP ever active Nat'l Guard/Reserve?
				2			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				134			-8 Don't know
				3			-7 Refused
				1,083			1 Yes
				16,713			2 No
				NOTE: Inapplicable if SP is less than 17 years old (15 for Facility CAPI).			
D_NGALL	34	2	YES1FMT		EN12	BQ12C	N All active duty spent in Nat'l Guard?
				16,854			. Inapplicable
				5			-8 Don't know
				329			1 Yes
				748			2 No
				NOTE: Applies only if D_NGEVER = 1			
D_NGDSBL	36	2	YES1FMT		EN13	BQ12D	N Does SP have disability from service?
				13,405			. Inapplicable
				2			-9 Not ascertained
				22			-8 Don't know
				2			-7 Refused
				519			1 Yes
				3,986			2 No
				NOTE: Applies only if D_AFEVER = 1 or D_NGEVER = 1			

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D_VARATE	38	3	VADISFMT	EN14	BQ12E	N	Current VA disability rating
				17,417			. Inapplicable
				79			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				24			0 0% Disability Rating
				157			1-10 1% to 10% Disability Rating
				52			11-25 11% to 25% Disability Rating
				112			26-50 26% to 50% Disability Rating
				24			51-75 51% to 75% Disability Rating
				8			76-99 76% to 99% Disability Rating
				62			100 100% Disability Rating

NOTE: Applies only if D\_NGDSBL = 1.

D_RACE	41	2	RACEFMT	DI1	BQ11A	N	
				4			-9 Not ascertained
				9			-8 Don't know
				11			-7 Refused
				104			1 American Indian
				326			2 Asian or Pacific Islander
				1,857			3 Black or African American
				15,211			4 White
				245			5 More than One
				169			91 Other

NOTE: In 1998, categories changed. See Notes on Using the Data for details.

HISPORIG	43	2	YES1FMT	DI1a	BQ10A	N	Is SP of Hispanic or Latino origin?
				2			-9 Not ascertained
				19			-8 Don't know
				9			-7 Refused
				1,268			1 Yes
				16,638			2 No

NOTE: First available in 1999

SPCHNLNM	45	2	CHILDFMT	IN14	BQ18,19	N	Number of children living
				778			. Missing
				8			-8 Don't know
				6			-7 Refused
				2,482			0 No children
				2,318			1 One child
				4,058			2 Two children
				3,272			3 Three children
				2,111			4 Four children
				1,152			5 Five children
				1,751			6-25 Number of children

NOTE: Not asked in facility interviews until 1997.

**MEDICARE CURRENT BENEFICIARY SURVEY**  
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Variable	Col	Len	Format	Frequency	ComQues#	FacQues#	Variable Type & Label
SPDEGRVC	47	2	DEGREFMT		DI3a	BQ9	N Highest grade SP completed
				235			. Missing
				3			-9 Not ascertained
				218			-8 Don't know
				30			-7 Refused
				196			-1 Inapplicable
				368			1 No schooling
				2,806			2 Nursery to 8th grade
				3,192			3 9th to 12th grade, but no diploma
				4,909			4 High school graduate
				1,073			5 Vocational, technical, business, etc.
				2,285			6 Some college, but no degree
				366			7 Associate's degree
				1,351			8 Bachelor's degree
				904			9 Post graduate degree

NOTES: 1st asked in new panels in facilities after 96 & all community after 98  
 First available in 1999

SPMARSTA	49	2	MARFMT		IN13	BQ13	N Marital status of SP
				2			. Missing
				27			-8 Don't know
				4			-7 Refused
				8,503			1 Married
				5,964			2 Widowed
				1,454			3 Divorced
				241			4 Separated
				1,741			5 Never married

NOTE: After 1994, marital status was asked annually in the fall round.

INCOME	51	3	INCFMT		DI4,DI5	BQ24-27	N Income range of SP
				60			. Missing
				640			-25 Less than \$25,000
				2			-9 Not ascertained
				743			-8 Don't know
				348			-7 Refused
				896			1 \$5,000 or Less
				3,747			2 \$5,001-\$10,000
				2,826			3 \$10,001-\$15,000
				1,903			4 \$15,001-\$20,000
				1,557			5 \$20,001-\$25,000
				1,184			6 \$25,001-\$30,000
				858			7 \$30,001-\$35,000
				746			8 \$35,001-\$40,000
				393			9 \$40,001-\$45,000
				415			10 \$45,001-\$50,000
				1,083			11 \$50,001 or more
				535			25 \$25,000 or more

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D_DIVCUR	54	2	\$CENSUS				C Census division of SP's residence
				18			UN Unknown
				560			01 New England
				2,956			02 Middle Atlantic
				3,009			03 East North Central
				1,150			04 West North Central
				3,504			05 South Atlantic
				940			06 East South Central
				1,794			07 West South Central
				1,208			08 Mountain
				2,525			09 Pacific
				272			10 Puerto Rico
RACEAS	56	2	IND2FMT		DI2a	BQ11A	N Is SP Asian?
				4			-9 Not ascertained
				9			-8 Don't know
				11			-7 Refused
				214			1 Indicated
				17,698			2 Not indicated
				NOTE: First available in 1998			
RACEAA	58	2	IND2FMT		DI2a	BQ11A	N Is SP Black or African-American?
				4			-9 Not ascertained
				9			-8 Don't know
				11			-7 Refused
				1,918			1 Indicated
				15,994			2 Not indicated
				NOTE: First available in 1998			
RACENH	60	2	IND2FMT		DI2a	BQ11A	N Is SP Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander?
				4			-9 Not ascertained
				9			-8 Don't know
				11			-7 Refused
				134			1 Indicated
				17,778			2 Not indicated
				NOTE: First available in 1998			
RACEWH	62	2	IND2FMT		DI2a	BQ11A	N Is SP Caucasian?
				4			-9 Not ascertained
				9			-8 Don't know
				11			-7 Refused
				15,422			1 Indicated
				2,490			2 Not indicated
				NOTE: First available in 1998			

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RACEAI	64	2	IND2FMT		DI2a	BQ11A	N Is SP American Indian or Alaskan Native?
				4			-9 Not ascertained
				9			-8 Don't know
				11			-7 Refused
				302			1 Indicated
				17,610			2 Not indicated

NOTE: First available in 1998

RACEOTH	66	2	IND2FMT		DI2a	BQ11A	N Is SP of another race?
				4			-9 Not ascertained
				9			-8 Don't know
				11			-7 Refused
				175			1 Indicated
				17,737			2 Not indicated

NOTE: First available in 1998

JOBSTAT	68	2	YES1FMT		EN8a		N Is SP now working at job or business?
				6,348			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				2			-8 Don't know
				3			-7 Refused
				1,766			1 Yes
				9,816			2 No

NOTES: Inapplicable if SP is under 16 years old or was interviewed in facility  
 First available in 1999