

10/25/02  
ACCESS  
2001

**MEDICARE CURRENT BENEFICIARY SURVEY**  
Health Status & Functioning -- Helper

RIC: 2H  
Page: 1  
Version: 1

Variable	Col	Len	Format	Frequency	ComQues#	FacQues#	Variable Type & Label
----------	-----	-----	--------	-----------	----------	----------	-----------------------

-----

This file contains information about those persons who helped the SP perform various activities. These are activities of daily living (ADLs), instrumental activities of daily living (IADLs), making Medicare insurance decisions, and/or taking care of Medicare paperwork. It includes each helper's relationship to the respondent and specifies which activities in which the helper assists.

There is one record for each person who helped the SP with an ADL, an IADL, or other activity. Therefore, it is possible to have one, several, or no records per respondent.

RIC	1	2					C Record Identification Code
VERSION	3	1					C Version Number
BASEID	4	8	\$BSIDFMT				C Unique SP Identification Number

10,826	LOW-HIGH BASEID Count
--------	-----------------------

HLPRNUM	12	2					C Helper Identification Number
---------	----	---	--	--	--	--	--------------------------------

HLPRREL	14	2	RELFMT				N Relationship of Helper to SP
---------	----	---	--------	--	--	--	--------------------------------

1	-9 Not ascertained
2	-8 Don't know
1	-7 Refused
1	-5 Never ask again
0	1 Sample Person
3,821	2 Spouse
911	3 Son
2,055	4 Daughter
100	5 Brother
296	6 Sister
115	7 Father
433	8 Mother
69	9 Son-in-law
212	10 Daughter-in-law
100	11 Grandson
218	12 Granddaughter
58	13 Nephew
137	14 Niece
99	50 Partner/roommate
642	51 Friend/neighbor
12	52 Boarder
192	53 Nurse/nurses aide
23	54 Legal/financial officer
18	55 Guardian
172	91 Other relative
1,138	92 Other non-relative

HLPRAGE	16	3	AGEFMT	EN7			N Age of helper
---------	----	---	--------	-----	--	--	-----------------

4,645	. Inapplicable
6,181	0-999 Age in years

NOTES: Applies to all helpers who lived with the SP at any time.  
First available in 1992

LIVEWITH	19	2	YESNOFMT	IN7			N Does helper live with SP?
----------	----	---	----------	-----	--	--	-----------------------------

6,038	1 Yes
4,788	2 No

NOTES: Based on residence of helper as of the fall round.  
First available in 1992

10/25/02  
ACCESS  
2001

**MEDICARE CURRENT BENEFICIARY SURVEY**  
Health Status & Functioning -- Helper

RIC: 2H  
Page: 2

Variable	Col	Len	Format	Frequency	ComQues#	FacQues#	Variable Type & Label
HCPROF	21	2	YESNOFMT				N Is helper a health care professional?
				152			1 Yes
				10,674			2 No
				NOTE: First available in 1992			
HLPRTELE	23	2	YESNOFMT				N Helper who assists SP w/ the telephone
				823			1 Yes
				10,003			2 No
				NOTES: Applies only if HELPTELE = 1 First available in 1992			
HLPRLHWK	25	2	YESNOFMT				N Helper who assists SP w/ light housework
				2,175			1 Yes
				8,651			2 No
				NOTES: Applies only if HELPLHWK = 1 First available in 1992			
HLPRHHWK	27	2	YESNOFMT				N Helper who assists SP w/ heavy housework
				4,931			1 Yes
				5,895			2 No
				NOTES: Applies only if HELPHHWK = 1 First available in 1992			
HLPRMEAL	29	2	YESNOFMT				N Helper who assists SP prepare meals
				1,845			1 Yes
				8,981			2 No
				NOTES: Applies only if HELPMEAL = 1 First available in 1992			
HLPRSHOP	31	2	YESNOFMT				N Helper who assists SP with shopping
				2,760			1 Yes
				8,066			2 No
				NOTES: Applies only if HELPSHOP = 1 First available in 1992			
HLPRBILS	33	2	YESNOFMT				N Helper who assists SP manage money
				1,676			1 Yes
				9,150			2 No
				NOTES: Applies only if HELPBILS = 1 First available in 1992			
HLPRBATH	35	2	YESNOFMT				N Helper who assists SP with bathing
				1,527			1 Yes
				9,299			2 No
				NOTES: Applies only if EQIPBATH = 1 First available in 1992			

ACCESS  
2001

## Health Status & Functioning -- Helper

Page: 3

Variable	Col	Len	Format	Frequency	ComQues#	FacQues#	Variable Type & Label
HLPREDRES	37	2	YESNOFMT	HS35			N Helper who assists SP with dressing
				1,139			1 Yes
				9,687			2 No
				NOTES: Applies only if EQUIPDRES = 1			
				First available in 1992			
HLPREAT	39	2	YESNOFMT	HS35			N Helper who assists SP with eating
				313			1 Yes
				10,513			2 No
				NOTES: Applies only if EQUIPEAT = 1			
				First available in 1992			
HLPCHAR	41	2	YESNOFMT	HS35			N Helper who assists SP get in/out chairs
				1,100			1 Yes
				9,726			2 No
				NOTES: Applies only if EQUIPCAR = 1			
				First available in 1992			
HLPWALK	43	2	YESNOFMT	HS35			N Helper who assists SP with walking
				1,375			1 Yes
				9,451			2 No
				NOTES: Applies only if EQUIPWALK = 1			
				First available in 1992			
HLPRTAIL	45	2	YESNOFMT	HS35			N Helper who assists SP with using toilet
				583			1 Yes
				10,243			2 No
				NOTES: Applies only if EQUIPTAIL = 1			
				First available in 1992			
HLPUSGO	47	2	YESNOFMT	US11			N Helper who usually goes with SP to Dr
				6,455			1 Yes
				4,371			2 No
				NOTES: Applies only if someone usually accompanies SP [ACCOMPUS=1 (RIC 3)]			
				First available in 1992			
USREMAIN	49	2	REMFMT				N Does helper remain with you at Dr
				1			. Missing
				3			-8 Don't know
				4,371			-1 Inapplicable
				3,288			1 Yes always
				1,782			2 No Never
				1,381			3 Sometimes
				NOTES: Applies only if someone usually accompanies SP [ACCOMPUS=1 (RIC 3)]			
				First available in 2001			