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MEPS HC-213B: 2019 Dental Visits File

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This public use data file is one in a series of event-level public use data files drawn from the 2019 Medical Expenditure Panel Survey (MEPS) Household Component (HC). Released as an ASCII file with SAS, SPSS, STATA, and R programming statements, a SAS transport file, a SAS V9 file, a XLSX file, and a Stata file, the Dental Visits File provides detailed information on dental events for a nationally representative sample of the civilian, noninstitutionalized population of the United States during the 2019 calendar year. This file consists of MEPS survey data obtained in the 2019 portion of Round 3, and Rounds 4 and 5 for Panel 23, as well as Rounds 1, 2, and the 2019 portion of Round 3 for Panel 24 of the survey (i.e., the rounds for the MEPS panels covering calendar year 2019). Each dental event record includes the following: year and month of the dental event, type of provider seen, procedure(s) associated with the dental event; flat fee information; imputed sources of payment; total payment and total charge of the dental event expenditure, and a full-year person-level weight. For more details on loading MEPS PUFs into R, SAS, and Stata, please visit the MEPS GitHub page 🔗.

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Documentation	File type
Documentation	PDF (445 KB) / HTML
Codebook	PDF (291 KB) / HTML*
SAS Programming Statements	TXT (50 KB)
SPSS Programming Statements	TXT (11 KB)
STATA Programming Statements	TXT (15 KB)
R Programming Statements	TXT (8.5 KB)

Data	File type**
Data File, ASCII format	ZIP (621 KB)
Data File, SAS transport format	ZIP (761 KB)
Data File, SAS V9 format	ZIP (848 KB)
Data File, Stata format	ZIP (679 KB)
Data File, XLSX format	ZIP (2.8 MB)

Questionnaires — see **Survey Questionnaires**

*The PDF version of the codebook is recommended for printing; the HTML version is database driven and lets you navigate quickly to details on each variable.

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