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MEPS HC-239B: 2022 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 2022 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 2022 calendar year. This file contains data collected in Rounds 7-9 of Panel 24, Rounds 3-5 of Panel 26, and Rounds 1-3 of Panel 27 of the Medical Expenditure Panel Survey (MEPS), corresponding to the rounds for the MEPS panels covering calendar year 2022. Each dental event record includes the following: date 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. To append person-level information such as demographic or health insurance coverage to each event record, data from this file can be merged with the 2022 MEPS HC Full-Year Consolidated file using the person identifier, DUPERSID. For more details on loading MEPS PUFs into R, SAS, and Stata, please visit the [MEPS GitHub page](#).

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SPSS Programming Statements	TXT (9.6 KB)
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R Programming Statements	TXT (8.2 KB)

Data	File type**
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Questionnaires — see [Survey Questionnaires](#)

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