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MEPS HC-033F: 1999 Outpatient Visits File

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This public use file is one in a series of event-level public use files drawn from the 1999 Medical Expenditure Panel Survey (MEPS) Household Component (HC) and the Medical Provider Component (MPC). Released as an ASCII file with SAS, SPSS, and STATA programming statements and in SAS transport format, the Outpatient

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Visits File provides detailed information on outpatient visits. Data are gathered from a nationally representative sample of the civilian, noninstitutionalized population of the United States and can be used to make estimates of outpatient utilization and expenditures for calendar year 1999. Each record represents one, household-reported, outpatient visit reported during the 1999 portion of round 3 (round 2 for some cases), and rounds 4 and 5 for Panel 3, as well as rounds 1, 2, and the 1999 portion of round 3 for Panel 4 of the survey (i.e., the rounds for the MEPS panels covering calendar year 1999).

The Outpatient Visits Public Use Data File contains characteristics associated with the outpatient visit and imputed expenditure data such as the date of the visit, whether or not a doctor was seen, type of care received, type of services provided, expenditures and sources of payment, and imputed sources of payment.

For more information, see MEPS HC-054: 1999 and 2000 MEPS HC Survey Data.

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| Documentation | File type |
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| Documentation | <u>PDF</u> (94 KB) / <u>HTML</u> |
| Codebook | <u>PDF</u> (46 KB) / <u>HTML</u> * |
| SAS Programming Statements | <u>TXT</u> (35 KB) |
| SPSS Programming Statements | <u>TXT</u> (22 KB) |
| STATA Programming Statements | <u>TXT</u> (26 KB) |
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| Data | File type** |
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| Data File, ASCII format | ZIP (354 KB) / <u>EXE</u> (384 KB) |
| Data File, SAS transport format | <u>ZIP</u> (415 KB) / <u>EXE</u> (445 KB) |

Questionnaires — see **Survey Questionnaires**

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^{*}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.

^{**}Right-click on the data file link, then select Save Target As or Save Link As to download the file.