

MEPS HC-221  
2020 FOOD SECURITY FILE CODEBOOK  
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Alphabetical Listing of Variables

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10	16	DUID	PANEL # + ENCRYPTED DU IDENTIFIER
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33	34	FSHGRY42	DID YOU EVER GO HUNGRY
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31	32	FSLESS42	DID YOU EVER EAT LESS
37	38	FSNEAT42	DID YOU EVER NOT EAT
39	40	FSNEDY42	HOW MANY DAYS DID YOU NOT EAT
21	22	FSOUT42	HOW OFTEN HAVE YOU RUN OUT OF FOOD
29	30	FSSKDY42	HOW MANY DAYS WERE MEALS SKIPPED
27	28	FSSKIP42	DID YOU EVER SKIP MEALS
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35	36	FSWTLS42	LOW FOOD MONEY CAUSE WEIGHT LOSS
1	9	HOMEIDX	HOME ID NUMBER (DUID + RU + ROUND)
17	18	PANEL	PANEL NUMBER
19	20	RULETR42	RU LETTER - R4/2
57	57	VARPSU	VARIANCE ESTIMATION PSU - 2020
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## Positional Listing of Variables

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## Variable Codebook

**Name:** HOMEIDX  
**Description:** HOME ID NUMBER (DUID + RU + ROUND)  
**Format:** 9.0  
**Type:** Char  
**Start:** 1  
**End:** 9

<u>Value</u>	<u>Unweighted</u>	<u>Weighted by FSWT42</u>
VALID ID	11,992	137,756,387
Total:	11,992	137,756,387

**Name:** DUID  
**Description:** PANEL # + ENCRYPTED DU IDENTIFIER  
**Format:** 7.0  
**Type:** Num  
**Start:** 10  
**End:** 16

<u>Value</u>	<u>Unweighted</u>	<u>Weighted by FSWT42</u>
VALID ID	11,992	137,756,387
Total:	11,992	137,756,387

**Name:** PANEL  
**Description:** PANEL NUMBER  
**Format:** 2.0  
**Type:** Num  
**Start:** 17  
**End:** 18

<u>Value</u>	<u>Unweighted</u>	<u>Weighted by FSWT42</u>
PANEL 23	4,008	41,159,649
PANEL 24	4,341	49,861,578
PANEL 25	3,643	46,735,160
Total:	11,992	137,756,387

**Name:** RULETR42  
**Description:** RU LETTER - R4/2  
**Format:** 2.0  
**Type:** Char  
**Start:** 19  
**End:** 20

<u>Value</u>	<u>Unweighted</u>	<u>Weighted by FSWT42</u>
A	11,138	127,032,656
B	702	8,813,165
C	120	1,510,115
D	23	269,140
E	8	120,901
F	1	10,409
Total:	11,992	137,756,387

**Name:** FSOUT42  
**Description:** HOW OFTEN HAVE YOU RUN OUT OF FOOD  
**Format:** 2.0  
**Type:** Num  
**Start:** 21  
**End:** 22

<u>Value</u>	<u>Unweighted</u>	<u>Weighted by FSWT42</u>
-8 DK	1	2,260
1 OFTEN TRUE	333	3,329,177
2 SOMETIMES TRUE	1,094	10,243,272
3 NEVER TRUE	10,564	124,181,677
Total:	11,992	137,756,387

**Name:** FSLAST42  
**Description:** HOW OFTEN DID FOOD NOT LAST  
**Format:** 2.0  
**Type:** Num  
**Start:** 23  
**End:** 24

<u>Value</u>	<u>Unweighted</u>	<u>Weighted by FSWT42</u>
-8 DK	1	18,511
1 OFTEN TRUE	285	2,632,989
2 SOMETIMES TRUE	982	9,008,453
3 NEVER TRUE	10,724	126,096,433
Total:	11,992	137,756,387

**Name:** FSAFRD42  
**Description:** HOW OFTEN COULDN'T AFFORD BALANCED MEALS  
**Format:** 2.0  
**Type:** Num  
**Start:** 25  
**End:** 26

<u>Value</u>	<u>Unweighted</u>	<u>Weighted by FSWT42</u>
-8 DK	2	18,928
-7 REFUSED	1	4,806
1 OFTEN TRUE	353	3,414,769
2 SOMETIMES TRUE	981	9,296,856
3 NEVER TRUE	10,655	125,021,028
Total:	11,992	137,756,387

**Name:** FSSKIP42  
**Description:** DID YOU EVER SKIP MEALS  
**Format:** 2.0  
**Type:** Num  
**Start:** 27  
**End:** 28

<u>Value</u>	<u>Unweighted</u>	<u>Weighted by FSWT42</u>
-7 REFUSED	1	4,806
-1 INAPPLICABLE	10,125	119,798,590
1 YES	721	7,193,823
2 NO	1,145	10,759,168
Total:	11,992	137,756,387

**Name:** FSSKDY42  
**Description:** HOW MANY DAYS WERE MEALS SKIPPED  
**Format:** 2.0  
**Type:** Num  
**Start:** 29  
**End:** 30

<u>Value</u>	<u>Unweighted</u>	<u>Weighted by FSWT42</u>
-8 DK	21	206,809
-1 INAPPLICABLE	11,271	130,562,564
1 - 30 NUMBER OF DAYS	700	6,987,014
Total:	11,992	137,756,387

**Name:** FSLESS42  
**Description:** DID YOU EVER EAT LESS  
**Format:** 2.0  
**Type:** Num  
**Start:** 31  
**End:** 32

<u>Value</u>	<u>Unweighted</u>	<u>Weighted by FSWT42</u>
-8 DK	3	18,220
-7 REFUSED	1	4,806
-1 INAPPLICABLE	10,125	119,798,590
1 YES	755	7,459,519
2 NO	1,108	10,475,252
Total:	11,992	137,756,387

**Name:** FSHGRY42  
**Description:** DID YOU EVER GO HUNGRY  
**Format:** 2.0  
**Type:** Num  
**Start:** 33  
**End:** 34

<u>Value</u>	<u>Unweighted</u>	<u>Weighted by FSWT42</u>
-8 DK	6	72,175
-7 REFUSED	1	11,453
-1 INAPPLICABLE	10,125	119,798,590
1 YES	480	4,554,213
2 NO	1,380	13,319,955
Total:	11,992	137,756,387

**Name:** FSWTLS42  
**Description:** LOW FOOD MONEY CAUSE WEIGHT LOSS  
**Format:** 2.0  
**Type:** Num  
**Start:** 35  
**End:** 36

<u>Value</u>	<u>Unweighted</u>	<u>Weighted by FSWT42</u>
-8 DK	26	204,444
-1 INAPPLICABLE	10,125	119,798,590
1 YES	303	2,862,452
2 NO	1,538	14,890,901
Total:	11,992	137,756,387

**Name:** FSNEAT42  
**Description:** DID YOU EVER NOT EAT  
**Format:** 2.0  
**Type:** Num  
**Start:** 37  
**End:** 38

<u>Value</u>	<u>Unweighted</u>	<u>Weighted by FSWT42</u>
-8 DK	1	5,957
-1 INAPPLICABLE	11,175	129,670,389
1 YES	206	1,776,129
2 NO	610	6,303,911
Total:	11,992	137,756,387

**Name:** FSNEDY42  
**Description:** HOW MANY DAYS DID YOU NOT EAT  
**Format:** 2.0  
**Type:** Num  
**Start:** 39  
**End:** 40

<u>Value</u>	<u>Unweighted</u>	<u>Weighted by FSWT42</u>
-1 INAPPLICABLE	11,786	135,980,257
1 - 30 NUMBER OF DAYS	206	1,776,129
Total:	11,992	137,756,387

**Name:** FSWT42  
**Description:** FOOD SECURITY WEIGHT  
**Format:** 12.6  
**Type:** Num  
**Start:** 41  
**End:** 52

<u>Value</u>	<u>Unweighted</u>
395.070275 - 90631.677112	11,992
Total:	11,992

**Name:** VARSTR  
**Description:** VARIANCE ESTIMATION STRATUM - 2020  
**Format:** 4.0  
**Type:** Num  
**Start:** 53  
**End:** 56

<u>Value</u>	<u>Unweighted</u>
2001 - 2117 VARSTR	11,992
Total:	11,992

**Name:** VARPSU  
**Description:** VARIANCE ESTIMATION PSU - 2020  
**Format:** 1.0  
**Type:** Num  
**Start:** 57  
**End:** 57

<u>Value</u>	<u>Unweighted</u>
1 - 6 VARPSU	11,992
Total:	11,992