

Repeating Groups

The CLMS 3 layout file indicates that the variables in the INPA, WORK, SCHL, PLAY, and FAML segments appear as repeating groups. These variables have been expanded in the SAS and Stata data files provided by the Upjohn Institute so that all occurrences of the variable are listed with a unique variable name. Because multiple variables with the same name cannot be read into SAS, the variable names on these repeating groups have been changed from the names in the layout file to include the iteration number at the end. For example, the variable ACTCMPLT (in the INPA segment) repeats 15 times. In the SAS and Stata files, the variable name has been changed to ACTCMP01 through ACTCMP15, where the two-digit number at the end indicates a separate occurrence of the variable. The frequencies provided in the codebook should be the sum of the frequencies for all occurrences of the repeating variable. Thus the sum of the frequencies of ACTCMP01 through ACTCMP15 should be the same as the frequencies listed in the codebook for ACTCMPLT.

Please note that many of the variables in the repeating groups have few or no observations, especially the later iterations of each variable.

Frequencies

Please note that the frequencies calculated for the AGREE1 – AGREE 7 variables do not exactly match the frequencies in the CLMS3 codebook. The calculated frequencies have 8 observations recorded as blank that are not blank in the codebook frequencies. In addition, the frequencies calculated for the SSA51 - SSA79 variables have 8 more observations recorded as missing (NA) than reported in the codebook frequencies.

Stata data files

Due to the limitation on the number of variables allowed in a standard Stata data set, the Stata version 6.0 data have been provided in 3 separate files, CLMS3a, CLMS3b, and CLMS3c. Each file includes the IDNUM, QUARTER, and YEAR variables, which can be used to uniquely identify each record. The CLMS3a file includes the ROOT, FFOL, SFOL, TFOL, INPA, FAML, EXTR, and NISS segments. The SCHL and PLAY segments can be found in the CLMS3b file, while the WORK segment can be found in the CLMS3c file. More information on the segments and the variables they contain can be found in the documentation files.