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2021 Parent Identification File

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I. Introduction

These files contain data and documentation from the Panel Study of Income Dynamics (PSID) 2021 Parent Identification File. This file, pid21_readme.pdf, provides information about the contents of all the files in this package. See the PSID website for a description of sample SAS and SPSS programs needed to merge the family-year data with the cross-year individual data to create a traditional cross-year family-individual file or use the Data Center. It is recommended that one carefully reviews this material before proceeding with any work using the data files.

A. DATA

There is one data file:

- The 2021 Parent Identification File.

The 2021 Parent Identification File contains details about persons living in a PSID family at the time of the interview in any wave from 1968 through 2021 and his or her biological or adoptive parents. Additionally, persons who have never been in the study but who have been identified as children of someone who has are included.

The data are in raw ASCII form. Refer to one of the associated program files - SAS, SPSS or STATA -- for record format layout information, variable names (or numbers), variable labels (or names), and missing data codes.

File Attributes and Variables for Data Files

File name	Records	Number of variables	Variables
pid21.txt	102,074	40	PID1-PID40

B. SAS, SPSS, and STATA

These files contain SAS, SPSS, and STATA statements providing information about the variables in the data files. The naming conventions are the same as for the data files: pid21.sas contains SAS statements, pid21.sps contains SPSS statements, and pid21.do contains equivalent STATA statements.

The statements provide variable names and locations and variable labels. No variables in the collection have assigned missing data codes. One should check the codebook for each variable one is including in one's analysis to determine if any of the codes should be defined as missing.

The SAS, SPSS, and STATA statements are NOT intended to represent completed and full programs for the respective statistical program packages to run extracts, analyses, etc. One must provide all other package-specific statements needed to complete a program.

File Attributes for Program Statement Files

Filename
pid21.sas
pid21.sps
pid21.do

C. DOCUMENTATION

PSID User Guide

For an overview of the 2021 Parent Identification File, 2021 questionnaire changes, and a description of our generated and hand coded variables, please see the PSID Main Interview User Manual, located on the PSID website at: http://psidonline.isr.umich.edu/Guide/documents.aspx.

The following documentation files are provided with this package.

File Description and Attributes for Documentation Files

Contents	Filename	Approximate # printed pages
2021 Parent Identification File		
Codebook:	pid21_codebook.pdf	15

II. Additional Help

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