

Variable Col Len Format Frequency ComQues# FacQues# Variable Type & Label

This file contains information about the respondents' use of all types of medical services and about their usual source of medical care. This file also contains the sample people's assessment of the quality of the medical care that they receive.

RIC	1	2				C Record Identification Code
VERSION	3	1				C Version Number
BASEID	4	8	\$BSIDFMT			C Unique SP Identification Number
				15,142		LOW-HIGH BASEID Count
ERVISIT	12	2	YES1FMT	AC1		N Since refer date did SP go ER for care?
				10,387		. Inapplicable
				8		-8 Don't know
				1,140		1 Yes
				3,607		2 No

Note: Applies only to initial interviews of SPs in new panels

ERAPPT	14	2	YES1FMT	AC3		N Have appointment for recent visit to ER
				11,097		. Inapplicable
				1		-9 Not ascertained
				81		-8 Don't know
				2		-7 Refused
				253		1 Yes
				3,708		2 No

Note: Applies if ERVISIT=1 or continuing SP had ER visit since last interview

ERDRTEL	16	2	YES1FMT	AC4		N Did a Dr tell SP to go to ER for visit?
				11,350		. Inapplicable
				1		-9 Not ascertained
				107		-8 Don't know
				2		-7 Refused
				885		1 Yes
				2,797		2 No

Note: Inapplicable if ERAPPT is not equal to . or 1

D_ERVIS	18	4	MINFMT	AC5		N Mins altogether for ER visit
				11,097		. Inapplicable
				1		-9 Not ascertained
				621		-8 Don't know
				2		-7 Refused
				560		0-60 up to 1 hour
				729		61-120 1 up to 2 hrs
				588		121-180 2 up to 3 hrs
				464		181-240 3 up to 4 hrs
				319		241-300 4 up to 5 hrs
				267		301-360 5 up to 6 hrs
				119		361-420 6 up to 7 hrs
				134		421-480 7 up to 8 hrs
				241		More than 8 hrs

Notes: Applies if ERVISIT=1 or continuing SP had ER visit since last interview
 First available in 1992

Variable	Col	Len	Format	Frequency	ComQues#	FacQues#	Variable Type & Label
D_ERWAIT	22	4	SECFMT				N Mins wait altogether before see ER Dr
				11,097			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				516			-8 Don't know
				3			-7 Refused
				2,057			0-15 Up to 15 minutes
				491			15<-30 15 to 30 minutes
				144			30<-45 30 to 45 minutes
				315			45<-60 45 mins to 1 hr
				8			60<-75 1 hr to 1 1/4 hr
				68			75<-90 1 hr to 90 mins
				10			90<-105 90 min to 1 3/4 hr
				163			105<-120 1 3/4 hr to 2 hr
				269			2 or more hrs

Notes: Applies if ERVISIT=1 or continuing SP had ER visit since last interview
 First available in 1992

ERADMT	26	2	YES1FMT				N Was SP admitted to hospital from ER?
				14,002			. Inapplicable
				1			-8 Don't know
				471			1 Yes
				668			2 No

Note: Applies to initial interviews of new panel SPs where ERVISIT = 1

OPDVISIT	28	2	YES1FMT				N Since reference date did SP go to OPD?
				10,387			. Inapplicable
				15			-8 Don't know
				1,389			1 Yes
				3,351			2 No

Note: Applies only to initial interviews of SPs in new panels

OPDMCOND	30	2	IND1FMT				N Reason for OPD visit - medical condition
				9,172			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				320			-8 Don't know
				2,804			1 Indicated
				2,845			2 Not indicated

Note: Applies if OPDVISIT=1 or cont. SP had OPD visit since last interview

OPDTESTS	32	2	IND1FMT				N Reason for OPD visit - tests
				9,172			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				321			-8 Don't know
				2,977			1 Indicated
				2,671			2 Not indicated

Note: Applies if OPDVISIT=1 or cont. SP had OPD visit since last interview

Variable	Col	Len	Format	Frequency	ComQues#	FacQues#	Variable Type & Label
OPDFOLUP	34	2	IND1FMT	AC9			N Reason for OPD visit - follow-up
				9,172			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				321			-8 Don't know
				462			1 Indicated
				5,186			2 Not indicated
				Note: Applies if OPDVISIT=1 or cont. SP had OPD visit since last interview			
OPDCHKUP	36	2	IND1FMT	AC9			N Reason for OPD visit - checkup
				9,172			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				321			-8 Don't know
				566			1 Indicated
				5,082			2 Not indicated
				Note: Applies if OPDVISIT=1 or cont. SP had OPD visit since last interview			
OPDRFRL	38	2	IND1FMT	AC9			N Reason for OPD visit - referral
				9,172			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				321			-8 Don't know
				59			1 Indicated
				5,589			2 Not indicated
				Note: Applies if OPDVISIT=1 or cont. SP had OPD visit since last interview			
OPDSURGY	40	2	IND1FMT	AC9			N Reason for OPD visit - surgery
				9,172			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				321			-8 Don't know
				441			1 Indicated
				5,207			2 Not indicated
				Note: Applies if OPDVISIT=1 or cont. SP had OPD visit since last interview			
OPDPSHOT	42	2	IND1FMT	AC9			N Reason for OPD visit - preventative shot
				9,172			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				321			-8 Don't know
				17			1 Indicated
				5,631			2 Not indicated
				Note: Applies if OPDVISIT=1 or cont. SP had OPD visit since last interview			
OPDTSHOT	44	2	IND1FMT	AC9			N Reason for OPD visit - treatment shot
				9,172			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				321			-8 Don't know
				14			1 Indicated
				5,634			2 Not indicated
				Note: Applies if OPDVISIT=1 or cont. SP had OPD visit since last interview			

Variable	Col	Len	Format	Frequency	ComQues#	FacQues#	Variable Type & Label
OPDPMED	46	2	IND1FMT	AC9			N Reason for OPD visit - medication
				9,172			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				321			-8 Don't know
				14			1 Indicated
				5,634			2 Not indicated
				Note: Applies if OPDVISIT=1 or cont. SP had OPD visit since last interview			
OPDOTHER	48	2	IND1FMT	AC9			N Reason for OPD visit - other
				9,172			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				321			-8 Don't know
				144			1 Indicated
				5,504			2 Not indicated
				Note: Applies if OPDVISIT=1 or cont. SP had OPD visit since last interview			
OPDSCOND	50	2	YES1FMT	AC10			N Was visit to OPD for specific condition?
				14,515			. Inapplicable
				4			-8 Don't know
				432			1 Yes
				191			2 No
				Note: See Notes to the data for the skip pattern.			
OPDAPPT	52	2	APPTFMT	AC12			N Was OPD visit by appointment or walk-in
				9,172			. Inapplicable
				2			-9 Not ascertained
				345			-8 Don't know
				4,720			1 Appointment
				903			2 Walked in
				Note: Applies if OPDVISIT=1 or contuing SP had OPD visit since last interview			
OPDDRTEL	54	2	TOLDFMT	AC13			N Did someone in OPD tell SP to come back?
				10,422			. Inapplicable
				51			-8 Don't know
				2,969			1 Told to come back during a prior visit
				1,700			2 Called for an appointment
				Note: Applies only if OPDAPPT = 1			

Variable	Col	Len	Format	Frequency	ComQues#	FacQues#	Variable Type & Label
D_OPAPPT	56	4	DAYFMT				N Days - SP waited for OPD appointment
				13,442			. Inapplicable
				117			-8 Don't know
				193			0 Didn't have wait
				440			1-3 1 to 3 days
				168			4-6 4 to 6 days
				307			7-9 7 to 9 days
				24			10-12 10 to 12 days
				223			13-15 13 to 15 days
				4			16-18 16 to 18 days
				71			19-21 19 to 21 days
				153			over 3 weeks

Notes: Applies only if OPDDRTEL = 2
 First available in 1992

D_OPVIS	60	4	MINFMT				N Mins - visit w/ OPD Dr take altogether?
				9,172			. Inapplicable
				2			-9 Not ascertained
				775			-8 Don't know
				2,761			0-60 up to 1 hour
				1,041			61-120 1 up to 2 hrs
				495			121-180 2 up to 3 hrs
				354			181-240 3 up to 4 hrs
				184			241-300 4 up to 5 hrs
				116			301-360 5 up to 6 hrs
				56			361-420 6 up to 7 hrs
				68			421-480 7 up to 8 hrs
				118			More than 8 hrs

Notes: Applies if OPDVISIT=1 or cont. SP had OPD visit since last interview
 First available in 1992

D_OPWAIT	64	4	SECFMT				N Mins - SP spent wait before see OPD Dr
				9,172			. Inapplicable
				2			-9 Not ascertained
				754			-8 Don't know
				3,255			0-15 Up to 15 minutes
				1,105			15<-30 15 to 30 minutes
				239			30<-45 30 to 45 minutes
				282			45<-60 45 mins to 1 hr
				17			60<-75 1 hr to 1 1/4 hr
				74			75<-90 1 hr to 90 mins
				12			90<-105 90 min to 1 3/4 hr
				101			105<-120 1 3/4 hr to 2 hr
				129			2 or more hrs

Notes: Applies if OPDVISIT=1 or cont. SP had OPD visit since last interview
 First available in 1992

NHRESEVR	68	2	YES1FMT				N Ever been resident/patient in nurs home
				10,387			. Inapplicable
				1			-8 Don't know
				2			-7 Refused
				196			1 Yes
				4,556			2 No

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NHLRESYY 70 4 YRFMT AC18 N Yr last resident/patient in nursing home
 14,946 . Inapplicable
 3 -8 Don't know
 193 Four-digit year

Note: Applies only if NHRESVR = 1

NHLRESMM 74 2 MONTHFMT AC18 N Mo last resident/patient in nursing home
 14,946 . Inapplicable
 39 -8 Don't know
 0 -5 Never ask again
 14 1 January
 6 2 February
 16 3 March
 8 4 April
 9 5 May
 18 6 June
 16 7 July
 15 8 August
 21 9 September
 8 10 October
 16 11 November
 10 12 December

Note: Applies only if NHRESVR = 1

MDVISIT 76 2 YES1FMT AC19 N Since reference date has SP seen med Dr
 10,387 . Inapplicable
 8 -8 Don't know
 4,065 1 Yes
 682 2 No

Note: Applies only to initial interviews of SPs in new panels

Variable	Col	Len	Format	Frequency	ComQues#	FacQues#	Variable Type & Label
MDSPCLTY	78	2	SPCLFMT			AC20	N MD spec., excl in home/hosp--most recent
				1,474			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				323			-8 Don't know
				47			1 Allergy & Immunology
				20			2 Anesthesiology
				850			3 Cardiology (heart)
				339			5 Dermatology (skin)
				0			6 Emergency Room physician
				116			7 Endocrinology/metabolism
				1,859			8 Family practice
				209			9 Gastroenterology
				3,915			10 General practice
				205			11 General surgery
				61			12 Geriatrics (elderly)
				187			13 Gynecology & Obstetrics
				44			14 Hematology (blood)
				8			15 Hospital residence
				2,165			16 Internal medicine
				116			17 Nephrology (kidneys)
				239			18 Neurology
				5			19 Nuclear Medicine
				235			20 Oncology
				847			21 Ophthalmology (eyes)
				410			22 Orthopaedics
				125			24 Osteopathy
				139			25 Otorhinolaryngology (ear, nose, throat)
				1			26 Pathology
				21			27 Physical medicine/rehab
				24			28 Plastic surgery
				17			29 Proctology
				239			30 Psychology/Psychiatry
				133			31 Pulmonology (lungs)
				26			32 Radiology
				127			33 Rheumatology (arthritis)
				9			34 Thoracic Surgery
				328			35 Urology
				0			36 Audiologist
				0			37 Chiropractor
				0			38 Dentist
				0			39 Optometrist
				0			40 Physical therapist
				0			41 Psychologist
				278			91 Other medical specialty

Note: See Notes to the data for the skip pattern and variable derivation.

MDMCOND	80	2	IND1FMT			AC21	N Reason Dr was seen - med condition named
				1,471			. Inapplicable
				3			-9 Not ascertained
				96			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				7,757			1 Indicated
				5,814			2 Not indicated

Note: Applies if MDVISIT=1 or continuing SP had MD visit since last interview

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MDTESTS 82 2 IND1FMT AC21 N Reason Dr was seen - tests
 1,471 . Inapplicable
 3 -9 Not ascertained
 96 -8 Don't know
 1 -7 Refused
 1,623 1 Indicated
 11,948 2 Not indicated

Note: Applies if MDVISIT=1 or continuing SP had MD visit since last interview

MDFOLUP 84 2 IND1FMT AC21 N Reason Dr was seen - follow-up
 1,471 . Inapplicable
 3 -9 Not ascertained
 96 -8 Don't know
 1 -7 Refused
 2,682 1 Indicated
 10,889 2 Not indicated

Note: Applies if MDVISIT=1 or continuing SP had MD visit since last interview

MDCHKUP 86 2 IND1FMT AC21 N Reason Dr was seen - checkup
 1,471 . Inapplicable
 3 -9 Not ascertained
 96 -8 Don't know
 1 -7 Refused
 5,926 1 Indicated
 7,645 2 Not indicated

Note: Applies if MDVISIT=1 or continuing SP had MD visit since last interview

MDRFRLL 88 2 IND1FMT AC21 N Reason Dr was seen - referral
 1,471 . Inapplicable
 3 -9 Not ascertained
 96 -8 Don't know
 1 -7 Refused
 133 1 Indicated
 13,438 2 Not indicated

Note: Applies if MDVISIT=1 or continuing SP had MD visit since last interview

MDSURGY 90 2 IND1FMT AC21 N Reason Dr was seen - surgery
 1,471 . Inapplicable
 3 -9 Not ascertained
 96 -8 Don't know
 1 -7 Refused
 229 1 Indicated
 13,342 2 Not indicated

Note: Applies if MDVISIT=1 or continuing SP had MD visit since last interview

Variable	Col	Len	Format	Frequency	ComQues#	FacQues#	Variable Type & Label
MDPSHOT	92	2	IND1FMT	AC21			N Reason Dr was seen - preventative shot
				1,471			. Inapplicable
				3			-9 Not ascertained
				96			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				79			1 Indicated
				13,492			2 Not indicated
Note: Applies if MDVISIT=1 or continuing SP had MD visit since last interview							
MDTSHOT	94	2	IND1FMT	AC21			N Reason Dr was seen - treatment shot
				1,471			. Inapplicable
				3			-9 Not ascertained
				96			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				18			1 Indicated
				13,553			2 Not indicated
Note: Applies if MDVISIT=1 or continuing SP had MD visit since last interview							
MDPMED	96	2	IND1FMT	AC21			N Reason Dr was seen - medication
				1,471			. Inapplicable
				3			-9 Not ascertained
				96			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				81			1 Indicated
				13,490			2 Not indicated
Note: Applies if MDVISIT=1 or continuing SP had MD visit since last interview							
MDOTHER	98	2	IND1FMT	AC21			N Reason Dr was seen - other
				1,471			. Inapplicable
				3			-9 Not ascertained
				96			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				129			1 Indicated
				13,442			2 Not indicated
Note: Applies if MDVISIT=1 or continuing SP had MD visit since last interview							
MDSCOND	100	2	YES1FMT	AC22			N Was Dr's visit for a specific condition?
				13,199			. Inapplicable
				11			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				951			1 Yes
				980			2 No

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MDAPPT 102 2 APPTFMT AC24 N Was visit to Dr - appointment/walk - in
 1,471 . Inapplicable
 3 -9 Not ascertained
 95 -8 Don't know
 12,997 1 Appointment
 576 2 Walked in

Note: Applies if MDVISIT=1 or continuing SP had MD visit since last interview

MDDRTEL 104 2 TOLDFMT AC25 N Someone in Dr office tell SP come back?
 2,145 . Inapplicable
 40 -8 Don't know
 8,414 1 Told to come back during a prior visit
 4,543 2 Called for an appointment

Note: Applies only if MDAPPT = 1

D_MDAPPT 106 4 DAYFMT AC26 N Days - SP waited for Dr's appointment
 10,600 . Inapplicable
 152 -8 Don't know
 1 -7 Refused
 647 0 Didn't have wait
 1,574 1-3 1 to 3 days
 328 4-6 4 to 6 days
 703 7-9 7 to 9 days
 63 10-12 10 to 12 days
 479 13-15 13 to 15 days
 3 16-18 16 to 18 days
 213 19-21 19 to 21 days
 379 over 3 weeks

Notes: Applies only if MDDRTEL = 2
 First available in 1992

D_MDVIS 110 4 MINFMT AC27 N Mins - visit w/ Dr altogether?
 1,471 . Inapplicable
 3 -9 Not ascertained
 639 -8 Don't know
 1 -7 Refused
 10,052 0-60 up to 1 hour
 2,253 61-120 1 up to 2 hrs
 448 121-180 2 up to 3 hrs
 153 181-240 3 up to 4 hrs
 58 241-300 4 up to 5 hrs
 19 301-360 5 up to 6 hrs
 12 361-420 6 up to 7 hrs
 9 421-480 7 up to 8 hrs
 24 More than 8 hrs

Notes: Applies if MDVISIT=1 or continuing SP had MD visit since last interview
 First available in 1992

Variable	Col	Len	Format	Frequency	ComQues#	FacQues#	Variable Type & Label
D_MDWAIT	114	4	SECFMT				N Mins - SP spent waiting before seeing Dr
				1,471			. Inapplicable
				3			-9 Not ascertained
				617			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				8,133			0-15 Up to 15 minutes
				2,980			15<-30 15 to 30 minutes
				705			30<-45 30 to 45 minutes
				602			45<-60 45 mins to 1 hr
				76			60<-75 1 hr to 1 1/4 hr
				196			75<-90 1 hr to 90 mins
				37			90<-105 90 min to 1 3/4 hr
				139			105<-120 1 3/4 hr to 2 hr
				182			2 or more hrs

Notes: Applies if MDVISIT=1 or continuing SP had MD visit since last interview
 First available in 1992

MDVCHOIC	118	2	YES1FMT				N Was the Dr you saw your first choice?
				9,885			. Inapplicable
				3			-9 Not ascertained
				100			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				4,896			1 Yes
				257			2 No

Notes: Inapplicable if MDDRTEL = 1 or SP had no doctor visit
 First available in 1998

HCTROUBL	120	2	YES2FMT				N Has SP had troub get needed health care?
				3			-9 Not ascertained
				7			-8 Don't know
				16			-7 Refused
				734			1 Yes
				14,382			2 No

HCTMONEY	122	2	IND1FMT				N Troub getting care: not enough money
				14,408			. Inapplicable
				205			1 Indicated
				529			2 Not indicated

Notes: Applies only if HCTROUBL = 1
 First available in 2002

HCTHIGH	124	2	IND1FMT				N Troub getting care: cost too high
				14,408			. Inapplicable
				236			1 Indicated
				498			2 Not indicated

Notes: Applies only if HCTROUBL = 1
 First available in 2002

Variable	Col	Len	Format	Frequency	ComQues#	FacQues#	Variable Type & Label
HCTNOCOV	126	2	IND1FMT	AC30a			N Troub getting care: svc/supp not covered
				14,408			. Inapplicable
				153			1 Indicated
				581			2 Not indicated
				Notes: Applies only if HCTROUBL = 1 First available in 2002			
HCTTRANS	128	2	IND1FMT	AC30a			N Troub getting care: need transportation
				14,408			. Inapplicable
				106			1 Indicated
				628			2 Not indicated
				Notes: Applies only if HCTROUBL = 1 First available in 2002			
HCTHOMEH	130	2	IND1FMT	AC30a			N Troub getting care: home death care
				14,408			. Inapplicable
				38			1 Indicated
				696			2 Not indicated
				Notes: Applies only if HCTROUBL = 1 First available in 2002			
HCTNTREA	132	2	IND1FMT	AC30a			N Troub getting care: Dr won't treat
				14,408			. Inapplicable
				92			1 Indicated
				642			2 Not indicated
				Notes: Applies only if HCTROUBL = 1 First available in 2002			
HCTWAIT	134	2	IND1FMT	AC30a			N Troub getting care: Dr too busy
				14,408			. Inapplicable
				86			1 Indicated
				648			2 Not indicated
				Notes: Applies only if HCTROUBL = 1 First available in 2002			
HCTACPMC	136	2	IND1FMT	AC30a			N Troub getting care: Dr wont accept Mcare
				14,408			. Inapplicable
				44			1 Indicated
				690			2 Not indicated
				Notes: Applies only if HCTROUBL = 1 First available in 2002			
HCTELIG	138	2	IND1FMT	AC30a			N Troub getting care: inelig for pub cov
				14,408			. Inapplicable
				52			1 Indicated
				682			2 Not indicated
				Notes: Applies only if HCTROUBL = 1 First available in 2002			

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HCTDELAY	140	2	IND1FMT	AC30a			N Troub getting care: delay bc SP on Mcare
				14,408			. Inapplicable
				61			1 Indicated
				673			2 Not indicated
				Notes: Applies only if HCTROUBL = 1 First available in 2002			
HCTSPECL	142	2	IND1FMT	AC30a			N Troub getting care: specialist referral
				14,408			. Inapplicable
				11			1 Indicated
				723			2 Not indicated
				Notes: Applies only if HCTROUBL = 1 First available in 2002			
HCTHMORF	144	2	IND1FMT	AC30a			N Troub getting care: HMO referral dfficlt
				14,408			. Inapplicable
				42			1 Indicated
				692			2 Not indicated
				Notes: Applies only if HCTROUBL = 1 First available in 2002			
HCTHMOMD	146	2	IND1FMT	AC30a			N Troub getting care: HMO Drs not good
				14,408			. Inapplicable
				41			1 Indicated
				693			2 Not indicated
				Notes: Applies only if HCTROUBL = 1 First available in 2002			
HCTHMOCV	148	2	IND1FMT	AC30a			N Troub getting care: HMO would'nt cover
				14,408			. Inapplicable
				37			1 Indicated
				697			2 Not indicated
				Notes: Applies only if HCTROUBL = 1 First available in 2002			
HCTOTHER	150	2	IND1FMT	AC30a			N Troub getting care: Other
				14,408			. Inapplicable
				42			1 Indicated
				692			2 Not indicated
				Notes: Applies only if HCTROUBL = 1 First available in 2002			

Variable	Col	Len	Format	Frequency	ComQues#	FacQues#	Variable Type & Label
CGETAPPT	152	2	YES1FMT	AC30b			N SP told by Dr office couldn't sched appt
				14,507			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				92			1 Yes
				542			2 No
Notes: Applies only if HCTACPMC != 1 & HCTDELAY != 1 First available in 2002							
CGETINSR	154	2	IND1FMT	AC30c			N Dr doesn't accept insurance plan
				15,050			. Inapplicable
				1			-8 Don't know
				15			1 Indicated
				76			2 Not indicated
Notes: Applies only if CGETAPPT = 1 First available in 2002							
CGETFULL	156	2	IND1FMT	AC30c			N No appointments were open
				15,050			. Inapplicable
				1			-8 Don't know
				28			1 Indicated
				63			2 Not indicated
Notes: Applies only if CGETAPPT = 1 First available in 2002							
CGETNNEW	158	2	IND1FMT	AC30c			N Dr doesn't accept new patients
				15,050			. Inapplicable
				1			-8 Don't know
				9			1 Indicated
				82			2 Not indicated
Notes: Applies only if CGETAPPT = 1 First available in 2002							
CGETNNMP	160	2	IND1FMT	AC30c			N Dr doesn't accept new Medicare patients
				15,050			. Inapplicable
				1			-8 Don't know
				5			1 Indicated
				86			2 Not indicated
Notes: Applies only if CGETAPPT = 1 First available in 2002							
CGETHOUR	162	2	IND1FMT	AC30c			N Dr's office hours conflicted w/ SP sched
				15,050			. Inapplicable
				1			-8 Don't know
				5			1 Indicated
				86			2 Not indicated
Notes: Applies only if CGETAPPT = 1 First available in 2002							

Variable	Col	Len	Format	Frequency	ComQues#	FacQues#	Variable Type & Label
CGETCAID	164	2	IND1FMT	AC30c			N Dr doesn't accept Medicaid
				15,050			. Inapplicable
				1			-8 Don't know
				12			1 Indicated
				79			2 Not indicated
Notes: Applies only if CGETAPPT = 1 First available in 2002							
CGETNAMC	166	2	IND1FMT	AC30c			N Dr doesn't accept any Medicare patients
				15,050			. Inapplicable
				1			-8 Don't know
				5			1 Indicated
				86			2 Not indicated
Notes: Applies only if CGETAPPT = 1 First available in 2002							
CGETNAMA	168	2	IND1FMT	AC30c			N Dr doesn't accept Medicare assignment
				15,050			. Inapplicable
				1			-8 Don't know
				3			1 Indicated
				88			2 Not indicated
Notes: Applies only if CGETAPPT = 1 First available in 2002							
CGETAPRV	170	2	IND1FMT	AC30c			N Dr felt other provider would be better
				15,050			. Inapplicable
				1			-8 Don't know
				5			1 Indicated
				86			2 Not indicated
Notes: Applies only if CGETAPPT = 1 First available in 2002							
CGETOTHR	172	2	IND1FMT	AC30c			N Other reason for not scheduling Dr appt
				15,050			. Inapplicable
				1			-8 Don't know
				20			1 Indicated
				71			2 Not indicated
Notes: Applies only if CGETAPPT = 1 First available in 2002							
OFFEXPLN	174	2	YES1FMT	AC30d			N Dr's office explained difficulty w/Mcare
				15,033			. Inapplicable
				19			-9 Not ascertained
				1			-8 Don't know
				29			1 Yes
				60			2 No
Notes: Applies only if CGETNNMP = 1 or CGETNAMC = 1 First available in 2002							

Variable	Col	Len	Format	Frequency	ComQues#	FacQues#	Variable Type & Label
OFFEXVB1	176	45			AC30e		C Why Mcare not accepted -- verbatim #1 Notes: Applies only if OFFEXPLN = 1 First available in 2002
OFFEXVB2	221	45			AC30e		C Why Mcare not accepted -- verbatim #2 Notes: Applies only if OFFEXPLN = 1 & SP gave more than one reason First available in 2002
HCDELAY	266	2	YES2FMT		AC31		N Last year did SP delay care due to cost? 3 6 16 1,333 13,784 -9 Not ascertained -8 Don't know -7 Refused 1 Yes 2 No
HEARMHMO	268	2	YES1FMT		HIMC1aa		N Heard of HMO that Medicare bene can join 3,142 10 96 6,542 5,352 . Inapplicable -9 Not ascertained -8 Don't know 1 Yes 2 No Notes: See Notes to the data for the skip pattern and variable derivation. First available in 1996
AREAMHMO	270	2	YES1FMT		HIMC1bb		N HMO in area that Medicare bene can join? 8,600 1 1,338 2 3,463 1,738 . Inapplicable -9 Not ascertained -8 Don't know -7 Refused 1 Yes 2 No Notes: Applies only if HEARMHMO = 1 First available in 1996
OFFRAREA	272	2	YES1FMT		HIMC1cc1		N Does SP prefer more HMOs offered in area 5,458 2 772 5 1,932 6,973 . Inapplicable -9 Not ascertained -8 Don't know -7 Refused 1 Yes 2 No Notes: Applies only if HEARMHMO = 1 or . First available in 1998

Variable Col Len Format Frequency ComQues# FacQues# Variable Type & Label

DIFFSRVC 274 2 YES1FMT HIMC1cc2 N Prefer HMO offer diff serv than provided

8,535	.	Inapplicable
2	-9	Not ascertained
475	-8	Don't know
4	-7	Refused
1,804	1	Yes
4,322	2	No

Notes: Applies only if AREAHMO = 1 or HEARMHMO = .
 First available in 1998

HIINFO 276 2 SAT1FMT HIMC1dd N How satisfied is SP w/ info abt choices

5,458	.	Inapplicable
2	-9	Not ascertained
125	-8	Don't know
3	-7	Refused
1,937	1	Very satisfied
7,175	2	Satisfied
390	3	Dissatisfied
52	4	Very dissatisfied
0	5	No experience

Notes: Applies only if HEARMHMO = 1 or .
 First available in 1996

HIADDINF 278 2 HIADDFMT HIMC1ee N Addl info on hlth coverage info SP wants

5,458	.	Inapplicable
2	-9	Not ascertained
64	-8	Don't know
1	-7	Refused
8,565	1	No additional info needed/wanted
1,052	91	Record all other responses verbatim

Notes: Applies only if HEARMHMO = 1 or .
 First available in 1996

VCHIADD1 280 2 HIADCFMT HIMC1ee N Kind of additional information wanted #1

14,090	.	Inapplicable
232	1	Specific benefits / coverage
34	2	List of doctors and credentials
4	3	Location / transportation
69	4	Cost issues
14	5	Choosing own doctor within HMO
5	6	Availability of referrals
208	7	Choices and comparisons of plans
19	8	Include people with special cond
7	9	Quality of the care
136	10	General clear information
324	91	Other specified coverage info
0	92	No additional information needed
0	95	Unable to code

Notes: Applies only if HIADDINF = 91
 First available in 1996

Variable	Col	Len	Format	Frequency	ComQues#	FacQues#	Variable Type & Label
VCHIADD2	282	2	HIADCFMT				N Kind of additional information wanted #2
				14,964			. Inapplicable
				54			1 Specific benefits / coverage
				11			2 List of doctors and credentials
				6			3 Location / transportation
				51			4 Cost issues
				6			5 Choosing own doctor within HMO
				4			6 Availability of referrals
				22			7 Choices and comparisons of plans
				4			8 Include people with special cond
				1			9 Quality of the care
				17			10 General clear information
				2			91 Other specified coverage info
				0			92 No additional information needed
				0			95 Unable to code

Notes: Applies only if HIADDINF = 91 and 2nd reason was given
 First available in 1996

VCHIADD3	284	2	HIADCFMT				N Kind of additional information wanted #3
				15,126			. Inapplicable
				1			1 Specific benefits / coverage
				3			2 List of doctors and credentials
				1			3 Location / transportation
				4			4 Cost issues
				2			5 Choosing own doctor within HMO
				2			6 Availability of referrals
				2			7 Choices and comparisons of plans
				0			8 Include people with special cond
				0			9 Quality of the care
				1			10 General clear information
				0			91 Other specified coverage info
				0			92 No additional information needed
				0			95 Unable to code

Notes: Applies only if HIADDINF = 91 and 3rd reason was given
 First available in 1996

VCHIADD4	286	2	HIADCFMT				N Kind of additional information wanted #4
				15,141			. Inapplicable
				1			1 Specific benefits / coverage
				0			2 List of doctors and credentials
				0			3 Location / transportation
				0			4 Cost issues
				0			5 Choosing own doctor within HMO
				0			6 Availability of referrals
				0			7 Choices and comparisons of plans
				0			8 Include people with special cond
				0			9 Quality of the care
				0			10 General clear information
				0			91 Other specified coverage info
				0			92 No additional information needed
				0			95 Unable to code

Notes: Applies only if HIADDINF = 91 and 4th reason was given
 First available in 1996

Variable	Col	Len	Format	Frequency	ComQues#	FacQues#	Variable Type & Label
JOINMHMO	288	2	YES1FMT				N Ever considered joining an HMO?
				13,586			. Inapplicable
				5			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				236			1 Yes
				1,314			2 No

Notes: Applies to initial interviews of new panel SPs where AREAMHMO = 2
 First available in 1996

Variable	Col	Len	Format	Frequency	ComQues#	FacQues#	Variable Type & Label
VCJOIN1	290	2	JOINCFMT				N 1st reason SP hasn't considered an HMO
				13,828			. Inapplicable
				2			-8 Don't know
				193			10 Satisfied with current situation
				545			11 Satisfied with current coverage
				34			12 Satisfied with current doctor
				49			13 Satisfied with ability to choose prov
				2			19 Satisfied / other reason
				145			20 Negative to HMOs
				13			21 Negative / HMO medical care
				78			22 Negative / limits choices-restrict
				48			23 Negative / higher costs
				1			24 Negative / inconvenient location
				2			25 Negative / coverage not portable
				27			29 Negative / other
				42			30 Indifferent to HMOs
				59			31 Don't know enough
				17			32 No HMO in area
				6			33 Dont like change
				9			34 Health is good - don't need
				11			39 Indifferent / other
				31			91 Other specified
				0			92 Did consider joining HMO
				0			95 Unable to code

Notes: Applies only if JOINMHMO = 2
 First available in 1996

Variable	Col	Len	Format	Frequency	ComQues#	FacQues#	Variable Type & Label
VCJOIN2	292	2	JOINCFMT				N 2nd reason SP hasn't considered an HMO
				15,010			. Inapplicable
				9			10 Satisfied with current situation
				18			11 Satisfied with current coverage
				8			12 Satisfied with current doctor
				19			13 Satisfied with ability to choose prov
				0			19 Satisfied / other reason
				16			20 Negative to HMOs
				8			21 Negative / HMO medical care
				23			22 Negative / limits choices-restrict
				7			23 Negative / higher costs
				3			24 Negative / inconvenient location
				0			25 Negative / coverage not portable
				6			29 Negative / other
				0			30 Indifferent to HMOs
				4			31 Don't know enough
				1			32 No HMO in area
				3			33 Dont like change
				1			34 Health is good - don't need
				0			39 Indifferent / other
				6			91 Other specified
				0			92 Did consider joining HMO
				0			95 Unable to code

Notes: Applies only if JOINMHMO = 2 and 2nd reason was given
 First available in 1996

VCJOIN3	294	2	JOINCFMT				N 3rd reason SP hasn't considered an HMO
				15,133			. Inapplicable
				0			10 Satisfied with current situation
				0			11 Satisfied with current coverage
				2			12 Satisfied with current doctor
				0			13 Satisfied with ability to choose prov
				0			19 Satisfied / other reason
				2			20 Negative to HMOs
				2			21 Negative / HMO medical care
				1			22 Negative / limits choices-restrict
				0			23 Negative / higher costs
				0			24 Negative / inconvenient location
				0			25 Negative / coverage not portable
				0			29 Negative / other
				0			30 Indifferent to HMOs
				0			31 Don't know enough
				0			32 No HMO in area
				0			33 Dont like change
				1			34 Health is good - don't need
				0			39 Indifferent / other
				1			91 Other specified
				0			92 Did consider joining HMO
				0			95 Unable to code

Notes: Applies only if JOINMHMO = 2 and 3rd reason was given
 First available in 1996

Variable	Col	Len	Format	Frequency	ComQues#	FacQues#	Variable Type & Label
VCJOIN4	296	2	JOINCFMT	HIMC1gg			N 4th reason SP hasn't considered an HMO
				15,142			. Inapplicable
				0			10 Satisfied with current situation
				0			11 Satisfied with current coverage
				0			12 Satisfied with current doctor
				0			13 Satisfied with ability to choose prov
				0			19 Satisfied / other reason
				0			20 Negative to HMOs
				0			21 Negative / HMO medical care
				0			22 Negative / limits choices-restrict
				0			23 Negative / higher costs
				0			24 Negative / inconvenient location
				0			25 Negative / coverage not portable
				0			29 Negative / other
				0			30 Indifferent to HMOs
				0			31 Don't know enough
				0			32 No HMO in area
				0			33 Dont like change
				0			34 Health is good - don't need
				0			39 Indifferent / other
				0			91 Other specified
				0			92 Did consider joining HMO
				0			95 Unable to code

Notes: Applies only if JOINMHMO = 2 and 4th reason was given
 First available in 1996

IFMHMO	298	2	YES1FMT	HIMC1hh			N If HMO in area would SP consider joining
				14,690			. Inapplicable
				28			-8 Don't know
				100			1 Yes
				324			2 No

Notes: Applies to initial interviews of new panel SPs where AREAMHMO = 2
 First available in 1996

Variable	Col	Len	Format	Frequency	ComQues#	FacQues#	Variable Type & Label
VCIFMH1	300	2	JOINCFMT			HIMC1ii	N 1st reason SP wouldn't join an HMO
				14,818			. Inapplicable
				1			-8 Don't know
				14			10 Satisfied with current situation
				115			11 Satisfied with current coverage
				10			12 Satisfied with current doctor
				15			13 Satisfied with ability to choose prov
				1			19 Satisfied / other reason
				81			20 Negative to HMOs
				9			21 Negative / HMO medical care
				19			22 Negative / limits choices-restrict
				8			23 Negative / higher costs
				3			24 Negative / inconvenient location
				2			25 Negative / coverage not portable
				0			29 Negative / other
				25			30 Indifferent to HMOs
				5			31 Don't know enouth
				4			32 No HMO in area
				3			33 Dont like change
				0			34 Health is good - don't need
				6			39 Indifferent / other
				3			91 Other specified
				0			92 Did consider joining HMO
				0			95 Unable to code

Notes: Applies only if IFMHMO = 2
 First available in 1996

VCIFMH2	302	2	JOINCFMT			HIMC1ii	N 2nd reason SP wouldn't join an HMO
				15,104			. Inapplicable
				0			10 Satisfied with current situation
				6			11 Satisfied with current coverage
				1			12 Satisfied with current doctor
				4			13 Satisfied with ability to choose prov
				0			19 Satisfied / other reason
				3			20 Negative to HMOs
				5			21 Negative / HMO medical care
				10			22 Negative / limits choices-restrict
				1			23 Negative / higher costs
				1			24 Negative / inconvenient location
				1			25 Negative / coverage not portable
				1			29 Negative / other
				2			30 Indifferent to HMOs
				0			31 Don't know enouth
				0			32 No HMO in area
				3			33 Dont like change
				0			34 Health is good - don't need
				0			39 Indifferent / other
				0			91 Other specified
				0			92 Did consider joining HMO
				0			95 Unable to code

Notes: Applies only if IFMHMO = 2 and 2nd reason was given
 First available in 1996

Variable	Col	Len	Format	Frequency	ComQues#	FacQues#	Variable Type & Label
VCIFMH3	304	2	JOINCFMT	HIMC1ii			N 3rd reason SP wouldn't join an HMO
				15,142			. Inapplicable
				0			10 Satisfied with current situation
				0			11 Satisfied with current coverage
				0			12 Satisfied with current doctor
				0			13 Satisfied with ability to choose prov
				0			19 Satisfied / other reason
				0			20 Negative to HMOs
				0			21 Negative / HMO medical care
				0			22 Negative / limits choices-restrict
				0			23 Negative / higher costs
				0			24 Negative / inconvenient location
				0			25 Negative / coverage not portable
				0			29 Negative / other
				0			30 Indifferent to HMOs
				0			31 Don't know enouth
				0			32 No HMO in area
				0			33 Dont like change
				0			34 Health is good - don't need
				0			39 Indifferent / other
				0			91 Other specified
				0			92 Did consider joining HMO
				0			95 Unable to code

Notes: Applies only if IFMHMO = 2 and 3rd reason was given
 First available in 1996

VCIFMH4	306	2	JOINCFMT	HIMC1ii			N 4th reason SP wouldn't join an HMO
				15,142			. Inapplicable
				0			10 Satisfied with current situation
				0			11 Satisfied with current coverage
				0			12 Satisfied with current doctor
				0			13 Satisfied with ability to choose prov
				0			19 Satisfied / other reason
				0			20 Negative to HMOs
				0			21 Negative / HMO medical care
				0			22 Negative / limits choices-restrict
				0			23 Negative / higher costs
				0			24 Negative / inconvenient location
				0			25 Negative / coverage not portable
				0			29 Negative / other
				0			30 Indifferent to HMOs
				0			31 Don't know enouth
				0			32 No HMO in area
				0			33 Dont like change
				0			34 Health is good - don't need
				0			39 Indifferent / other
				0			91 Other specified
				0			92 Did consider joining HMO
				0			95 Unable to code

Notes: Applies only if IFMHMO = 2 and 4th reason was given
 First available in 1996

Variable	Col	Len	Format	Frequency	ComQues#	FacQues#	Variable Type & Label
MCQUALTY	308	2	SAT2FMT			SC1	N Satis w/ qual of med care rec'd last yr
				3			-9 Not ascertained
				31			-8 Don't know
				19			-7 Refused
				4,594			1 Very satisfied
				9,426			2 Satisfied
				492			3 Dissatisfied
				108			4 Very dissatisfied
				469			5 No experience
MCAVAIL	310	2	SAT2FMT			SC2	N Satis w/ avail med care night & weekends
				3			-9 Not ascertained
				60			-8 Don't know
				19			-7 Refused
				1,594			1 Very satisfied
				6,162			2 Satisfied
				542			3 Dissatisfied
				158			4 Very dissatisfied
				6,604			5 No experience
MCEASE	312	2	SAT2FMT			SC3	N Ease of get to Dr from where SP lives
				3			-9 Not ascertained
				28			-8 Don't know
				18			-7 Refused
				3,114			1 Very satisfied
				10,821			2 Satisfied
				677			3 Dissatisfied
				152			4 Very dissatisfied
				329			5 No experience
MCCOSTS	314	2	SAT2FMT			SC4	N Satis w/ OOP costs for medical services
				3			-9 Not ascertained
				62			-8 Don't know
				19			-7 Refused
				2,529			1 Very satisfied
				9,440			2 Satisfied
				1,855			3 Dissatisfied
				643			4 Very dissatisfied
				591			5 No experience
MCINFO	316	2	SAT2FMT			SC5	N Satis w/ info abt what was wrong w/ you
				3			-9 Not ascertained
				38			-8 Don't know
				19			-7 Refused
				2,790			1 Very satisfied
				10,990			2 Satisfied
				665			3 Dissatisfied
				138			4 Very dissatisfied
				499			5 No experience

Variable	Col	Len	Format	Frequency	ComQues#	FacQues#	Variable Type & Label
MCFOLUP	318	2	SAT2FMT			SC6	N Satis w/ folowup care after inital treat
				3			-9 Not ascertained
				43			-8 Don't know
				19			-7 Refused
				2,926			1 Very satisfied
				10,036			2 Satisfied
				365			3 Dissatisfied
				89			4 Very dissatisfied
				1,661			5 No experience
MCCONCRN	320	2	SAT2FMT			SC7	N Satis w/ Dr's concern for overall health
				3			-9 Not ascertained
				91			-8 Don't know
				19			-7 Refused
				3,188			1 Very satisfied
				10,427			2 Satisfied
				666			3 Dissatisfied
				114			4 Very dissatisfied
				634			5 No experience
MCSAMLOC	322	2	SAT2FMT			SC8	N Satis w/ get med care done same location
				3			-9 Not ascertained
				44			-8 Don't know
				18			-7 Refused
				2,306			1 Very satisfied
				10,313			2 Satisfied
				706			3 Dissatisfied
				95			4 Very dissatisfied
				1,657			5 No experience
MCSPECAR	324	2	SAT2FMT			SC8a	N Satis w/ avail of care by specialists
				3			-9 Not ascertained
				67			-8 Don't know
				18			-7 Refused
				2,861			1 Very satisfied
				9,866			2 Satisfied
				506			3 Dissatisfied
				117			4 Very dissatisfied
				1,704			5 No experience
Note: First available in 1996							
MCTELANS	326	2	SAT2FMT			SC8b	N Ease w/ get treat/presc answers on phone
				3			-9 Not ascertained
				59			-8 Don't know
				18			-7 Refused
				1,757			1 Very satisfied
				8,620			2 Satisfied
				778			3 Dissatisfied
				251			4 Very dissatisfied
				3,656			5 No experience
Note: First available in 1996							

Variable	Col	Len	Format	Frequency	ComQues#	FacQues#	Variable Type & Label
MCDISSFY	328	2	DISAFFMT			SC9	N Things abt med services - dissatis with
				3			-9 Not ascertained
				26			-8 Don't know
				19			-7 Refused
				11,195			1 Not dissatisfied with anything
				3,899			91 Verbatim responses coded at VCMDIS1-4
VCMCDIS1	330	2	VERBAFMT			SC9	N 1st reason SP dissatisfied w/ med svcs
				11,243			. Inapplicable
				946			1 Cost of health care
				28			2 Can't afford
				377			3 Services covered
				87			4 Inconvenient location
				446			5 Waiting time
				123			6 Time spent with doctor
				56			7 Thoroughness of doctor
				9			8 Unnecessary tests
				365			9 Doctor's attitude
				96			10 Paperwork
				11			11 Rarely use services
				78			12 Attitude of other medical person
				329			13 Doctor's competence
				140			14 Competence of other medical person
				8			15 No preventative care
				9			16 Reliance on medicines for treatment
				52			17 Process of getting a referral at an HMO
				32			18 General dissatisfaction with HMO
				12			19 HMO restrictions on services
				35			20 Cant see same HMO prov / no prov choice
				660			91 Other
				0			92 Not dissatisfied with anything
				0			95 Unable to code

Note: Applies only if MCDISSFY = 91

Variable	Col	Len	Format	Frequency	ComQues#	FacQues#	Variable Type & Label
VCMCDIS2	332	2	VERBAFMT			SC9	N 2nd reason SP dissatisfied w/ med svcs
				14,451			. Inapplicable
				68			1 Cost of health care
				25			2 Can't afford
				91			3 Services covered
				19			4 Inconvenient location
				60			5 Waiting time
				43			6 Time spent with doctor
				27			7 Thoroughness of doctor
				4			8 Unnecessary tests
				88			9 Doctor's attitude
				11			10 Paperwork
				1			11 Rarely use services
				23			12 Attitude of other medical person
				61			13 Doctor's competence
				30			14 Competence of other medical person
				1			15 No preventative care
				14			16 Reliance on medicines for treatment
				16			17 Process of getting a referral at an HMO
				6			18 General dissatisfaction with HMO
				9			19 HMO restrictions on services
				7			20 Cant see same HMO prov / no prov choice
				87			91 Other
				0			92 Not dissatisfied with anything
				0			95 Unable to code

Note: Applies only if MCDISSFY = 91 and 2nd reason is given

VCMCDIS3	334	2	VERBAFMT			SC9	N 3rd reason SP dissatisfied w/ med svcs
				15,075			. Inapplicable
				8			1 Cost of health care
				3			2 Can't afford
				4			3 Services covered
				2			4 Inconvenient location
				2			5 Waiting time
				3			6 Time spent with doctor
				5			7 Thoroughness of doctor
				0			8 Unnecessary tests
				14			9 Doctor's attitude
				2			10 Paperwork
				1			11 Rarely use services
				3			12 Attitude of other medical person
				3			13 Doctor's competence
				2			14 Competence of other medical person
				0			15 No preventative care
				1			16 Reliance on medicines for treatment
				3			17 Process of getting a referral at an HMO
				0			18 General dissatisfaction with HMO
				0			19 HMO restrictions on services
				3			20 Cant see same HMO prov / no prov choice
				8			91 Other
				0			92 Not dissatisfied with anything
				0			95 Unable to code

Note: Applies only if MCDISSFY = 91 and 3rd reason is given

Variable	Col	Len	Format	Frequency	ComQues#	FacQues#	Variable Type & Label
VCMCDIS4	336	2	VERBAFMT			SC9	N 4th reason SP dissatisfied w/ med svcs
				15,140			. Inapplicable
				0			1 Cost of health care
				0			2 Can't afford
				0			3 Services covered
				1			4 Inconvenient location
				0			5 Waiting time
				0			6 Time spent with doctor
				0			7 Thoroughness of doctor
				0			8 Unnecessary tests
				0			9 Doctor's attitude
				0			10 Paperwork
				0			11 Rarely use services
				0			12 Attitude of other medical person
				0			13 Doctor's competence
				0			14 Competence of other medical person
				0			15 No preventative care
				0			16 Reliance on medicines for treatment
				1			17 Process of getting a referral at an HMO
				0			18 General dissatisfaction with HMO
				0			19 HMO restrictions on services
				0			20 Cant see same HMO prov / no prov choice
				0			91 Other
				0			92 Not dissatisfied with anything
				0			95 Unable to code

Note: Applies only if MCDISSFY = 91 and 4th reason is given

MCIMPROV	338	2	IMPROFMT			SC10	N Things abt med services need improvement
				3			-9 Not ascertained
				92			-8 Don't know
				19			-7 Refused
				11,354			1 No improvement
				3,674			91 Verbatim responses coded at VCMCIMP1-4

Variable	Col	Len	Format	Frequency	ComQues#	FacQues#	Variable Type & Label
VCMCIMP1	340	2	VERIMFMT			SC10	N 1st aspect of med svcs to be improved
				11,468			. Inapplicable
				643			1 Reduce cost
				8			2 More financial aid/public assistance
				448			3 Expansion of covered services
				43			4 More convenient location
				419			5 Reduce wait time
				157			6 More time spent with patients
				47			7 More thorough exam
				6			8 Reduce unnecessary tests
				185			9 Improve attitude: physician
				34			10 Reduce paperwork
				33			11 Improve attitude of other medical person
				109			12 Improve competence of physician
				55			13 Improve competence of oth medical person
				57			14 Improve bill processing/explanations
				5			15 Rarely use services
				112			16 Avail/select of providers in HMO
				27			17 Referral process at HMO
				24			18 HMO needs for concern for its patients
				1,262			91 Other
				0			92 No improvement needed
				0			95 Unable to code

Note: Applies only if MCIMPROV = 91

VCMCIMP2	342	2	VERIMFMT			SC10	N 2nd aspect of med svcs to be improved
				14,560			. Inapplicable
				59			1 Reduce cost
				18			2 More financial aid/public assistance
				102			3 Expansion of covered services
				14			4 More convenient location
				37			5 Reduce wait time
				29			6 More time spent with patients
				76			7 More thorough exam
				2			8 Reduce unnecessary tests
				73			9 Improve attitude: physician
				6			10 Reduce paperwork
				40			11 Improve attitude of other medical person
				26			12 Improve competence of physician
				24			13 Improve competence of oth medical person
				10			14 Improve bill processing/explanations
				0			15 Rarely use services
				26			16 Avail/select of providers in HMO
				16			17 Referral process at HMO
				15			18 HMO needs for concern for its patients
				9			91 Other
				0			92 No improvement needed
				0			95 Unable to code

Note: Applies only if MCIMPROV = 91 and 2nd reason is given

Variable	Col	Len	Format	Frequency	ComQues#	FacQues#	Variable Type & Label
VCMCIMP3	344	2	VERIFMT		SC10		N 3rd aspect of med svcs to be improved
				15,038			. Inapplicable
				7			1 Reduce cost
				4			2 More financial aid/public assistance
				10			3 Expansion of covered services
				3			4 More convenient location
				6			5 Reduce wait time
				6			6 More time spent with patients
				15			7 More thorough exam
				2			8 Reduce unnecessary tests
				12			9 Improve attitude: physician
				0			10 Reduce paperwork
				5			11 Improve attitude of other medical person
				11			12 Improve competence of physician
				2			13 Improve competence of oth medical person
				1			14 Improve bill processing/explanations
				0			15 Rarely use services
				7			16 Avail/select of providers in HMO
				3			17 Referral process at HMO
				8			18 HMO needs for concern for its patients
				2			91 Other
				0			92 No improvement needed
				0			95 Unable to code

Note: Applies only if MCIMPROV = 91 and 3rd reason is given

VCMCIMP4	346	2	VERIFMT		SC10		N 4th aspect of med svcs to be improved
				15,130			. Inapplicable
				0			1 Reduce cost
				1			2 More financial aid/public assistance
				1			3 Expansion of covered services
				0			4 More convenient location
				0			5 Reduce wait time
				1			6 More time spent with patients
				1			7 More thorough exam
				0			8 Reduce unnecessary tests
				3			9 Improve attitude: physician
				0			10 Reduce paperwork
				0			11 Improve attitude of other medical person
				1			12 Improve competence of physician
				0			13 Improve competence of oth medical person
				0			14 Improve bill processing/explanations
				0			15 Rarely use services
				2			16 Avail/select of providers in HMO
				0			17 Referral process at HMO
				2			18 HMO needs for concern for its patients
				0			91 Other
				0			92 No improvement needed
				0			95 Unable to code

Note: Applies only if MCIMPROV = 91 and 4th reason is given

MCWORRY	348	2	TRUE2FMT		SC10a		N Worry abt hlth more than others your age
				4			-9 Not ascertained
				276			-8 Don't know
				20			-7 Refused
				3,048			1 True
				11,794			2 False

Note: First available in 1996

Variable	Col	Len	Format	Frequency	ComQues#	FacQues#	Variable Type & Label
MCAVOID	350	2	TRUE2FMT				N Do almost anything to avoid going to Dr
				4			-9 Not ascertained
				88			-8 Don't know
				20			-7 Refused
				4,375			1 True
				10,655			2 False
				Note: First available in 1996			
MCSICK	352	2	TRUE2FMT				N When sick - try keeping sickness to self
				4			-9 Not ascertained
				119			-8 Don't know
				20			-7 Refused
				5,818			1 True
				9,181			2 False
				Note: First available in 1996			
MCDRSOON	354	2	TRUE2FMT				N Usually go to Dr as soon as you feel bad
				4			-9 Not ascertained
				136			-8 Don't know
				20			-7 Refused
				5,570			1 True
				9,412			2 False
				Note: First available in 1996			
MCDRNSEE	356	2	YES2FMT				N Hlth prob think Dr should see but didn't
				4			-9 Not ascertained
				32			-8 Don't know
				20			-7 Refused
				1,405			1 Yes
				13,681			2 No
MCDRATMP	358	2	YES1FMT				N Attempt to get Dr appoint abt condition
				13,737			. Inapplicable
				393			1 Yes
				1,012			2 No
				Notes: Applies only if MCDRNSEE = 1 First available in 1998			
MCRNSERS	360	2	IND1FMT				N Reason Dr not seen - think not serious
				13,737			. Inapplicable
				4			-8 Don't know
				509			1 Indicated
				892			2 Not indicated
				Note: Applies only if MCDRNSEE = 1			

Variable	Col	Len	Format	Frequency	ComQues#	FacQues#	Variable Type & Label
MRCRCOST	362	2	IND1FMT	SC13			N Reason Dr not seen - think cost too much
				13,737			. Inapplicable
				4			-8 Don't know
				351			1 Indicated
				1,050			2 Not indicated
				Note: Applies only if MCDRNSEE = 1			
MCRTIME	364	2	IND1FMT	SC13			N Reason Dr not seen - didn't have time
				13,737			. Inapplicable
				4			-8 Don't know
				82			1 Indicated
				1,319			2 Not indicated
				Note: Applies only if MCDRNSEE = 1			
MCRAPPT	366	2	IND1FMT	SC13			N Reason Dr not seen - can't get appoint
				13,737			. Inapplicable
				4			-8 Don't know
				85			1 Indicated
				1,316			2 Not indicated
				Note: Applies only if MCDRNSEE = 1			
M CRAVAIL	368	2	IND1FMT	SC13			N Reason Dr not seen - no Dr available
				13,737			. Inapplicable
				4			-8 Don't know
				75			1 Indicated
				1,326			2 Not indicated
				Note: Applies only if MCDRNSEE = 1			
MCRWAY	370	2	IND1FMT	SC13			N Reason Dr not seen - no way to get to Dr
				13,737			. Inapplicable
				4			-8 Don't know
				111			1 Indicated
				1,290			2 Not indicated
				Note: Applies only if MCDRNSEE = 1			
MCRFAMILY	372	2	IND1FMT	SC13			N Reason Dr not seen - can't leave family
				13,737			. Inapplicable
				4			-8 Don't know
				37			1 Indicated
				1,364			2 Not indicated
				Note: Applies only if MCDRNSEE = 1			
MCRDRCDM	374	2	IND1FMT	SC13			N Reason Dr not seen - think can't do much
				13,737			. Inapplicable
				4			-8 Don't know
				253			1 Indicated
				1,148			2 Not indicated
				Note: Applies only if MCDRNSEE = 1			

Variable	Col	Len	Format	Frequency	ComQues#	FacQues#	Variable Type & Label
MCRFEAR	376	2	IND1FMT	SC13			N Reason Dr not seen - feared what's wrong
				13,737			. Inapplicable
				4			-8 Don't know
				132			1 Indicated
				1,269			2 Not indicated
				Note: Applies only if MCDRNSEE = 1			
MCRDRCHG	378	2	IND1FMT	SC13			N Reason Dr not seen - charge>Medicare pay
				13,737			. Inapplicable
				4			-8 Don't know
				53			1 Indicated
				1,348			2 Not indicated
				Note: Applies only if MCDRNSEE = 1			
MCRACCPT	380	2	IND1FMT	SC13			N Reason Dr not seen - accept no Medicaid
				13,737			. Inapplicable
				4			-8 Don't know
				27			1 Indicated
				1,374			2 Not indicated
				Note: Applies only if MCDRNSEE = 1			
MCRDOCTR	382	2	IND1FMT	SC13			N Reason Dr not seen - don't trust/afraid
				13,737			. Inapplicable
				4			-8 Don't know
				38			1 Indicated
				1,363			2 Not indicated
				Notes: Applies only if MCDRNSEE = 1 First available in 1996			
MCRHOSP	384	2	IND1FMT	SC13			N Reason Dr not seen - fear be put in hosp
				13,737			. Inapplicable
				4			-8 Don't know
				7			1 Indicated
				1,394			2 Not indicated
				Notes: Applies only if MCDRNSEE = 1 First available in 1996			
MCRNOCAR	386	2	IND1FMT	SC13			N Reason Dr not seen - no feel like/care
				13,737			. Inapplicable
				4			-8 Don't know
				31			1 Indicated
				1,370			2 Not indicated
				Notes: Applies only if MCDRNSEE = 1 First available in 1996			

Variable	Col	Len	Format	Frequency	ComQues#	FacQues#	Variable Type & Label
MCRUNABL	388	2	IND1FMT		SC13		N Reason Dr not seen - needed house call
				13,737			. Inapplicable
				4			-8 Don't know
				23			1 Indicated
				1,378			2 Not indicated
Notes: Applies only if MCDRNSEE = 1 First available in 1996							
MCROTHR	390	2	IND1FMT		SC13		N Reason Dr not seen - other
				13,737			. Inapplicable
				4			-8 Don't know
				129			1 Indicated
				1,272			2 Not indicated
Note: Applies only if MCDRNSEE = 1							
MCRMAIN	392	2	NODOCFMT		SC14		N Main reason SP not see Dr abt condition?
				13,737			. Inapplicable
				4			-8 Don't know
				418			1 Problem not serious
				262			2 Costs too much
				39			3 Didn't have time
				58			4 Appointment not soon enough
				48			5 No doctor available
				63			6 No way to doctor
				17			7 Couldn't leave other family member
				174			8 SP thought Dr couldn't do much abt prob
				78			9 SP afraid of finding out what was wrong
				24			10 Dr charges more than Medicare pays
				17			11 SP couldn't find Dr to accept Medicaid
				33			12 Afraid of doctor
				6			13 Afraid of hospital
				26			14 Didn't care
				19			15 Needed house call
				119			91 Other specify
Note: Applies only if MCDRNSEE = 1							
PMNOTGET	394	2	YES2FMT		SC15		N Were there presc medicines SP didn't get
				1			. Missing
				3			-9 Not ascertained
				19			-8 Don't know
				20			-7 Refused
				641			1 Yes
				14,458			2 No
Note: First available in 1996							
PMNAME1	396	25			SC16		C Name of medicine didn't get this yr - 1
Notes: Applies only if PMNOTGET = 1 First available in 1996							
PMNAME2	421	25			SC16		C Name of medicine didn't get this yr - 2
Notes: Applies only if PMNOTGET = 1 or no 2nd prescription was named. First available in 1996							

Variable	Col	Len	Format	Frequency	ComQues#	FacQues#	Variable Type & Label
PMNAME3	446	25				SC16	C Name of medicine didn't get this yr - 3 Notes: Applies only if PMNOTGET = 1 or no 3rd prescription was named. First available in 1996
PMNAME4	471	25				SC16	C Name of medicine didn't get this yr - 4 Notes: Applies only if PMNOTGET = 1 or no 4th prescription was named. First available in 1996
PMNAME5	496	25				SC16	C Name of medicine didn't get this yr - 5 Notes: Applies only if PMNOTGET = 1 or no 5th prescription was named. First available in 1996
PMNOCOND	521	2	IND1FMT			SC17	N SP didn't get Rx - not for condition 14,501 . Inapplicable 92 1 Indicated 549 2 Not indicated Notes: Applies only if PMNOTGET = 1 First available in 1996
PMCOST	523	2	IND1FMT			SC17	N SP didn't get Rx - medicine too costly 14,501 . Inapplicable 341 1 Indicated 300 2 Not indicated Notes: Applies only if PMNOTGET = 1 First available in 1996
PMNOCOV	525	2	IND1FMT			SC17	N SP didn't get Rx - insurance didnt cover 14,501 . Inapplicable 136 1 Indicated 505 2 Not indicated Notes: Applies only if PMNOTGET = 1 First available in 1996
PMNOTIME	527	2	IND1FMT			SC17	N SP didn't get Rx - didn't have time 14,501 . Inapplicable 5 1 Indicated 636 2 Not indicated Notes: Applies only if PMNOTGET = 1 First available in 1996
PMNOSOON	529	2	IND1FMT			SC17	N SP didn't get Rx - not get soon enough 14,501 . Inapplicable 13 1 Indicated 628 2 Not indicated Notes: Applies only if PMNOTGET = 1 First available in 1996

Variable	Col	Len	Format	Frequency	ComQues#	FacQues#	Variable Type & Label
PMPHARM	531	2	IND1FMT	SC17			N SP didn't get Rx - pharmacy inconvenient
				14,501			. Inapplicable
				3			1 Indicated
				638			2 Not indicated
				Notes: Applies only if PMNOTGET = 1 First available in 1996			
PMNOWAY	533	2	IND1FMT	SC17			N SP didn't get Rx - no way to get it
				14,501			. Inapplicable
				23			1 Indicated
				618			2 Not indicated
				Notes: Applies only if PMNOTGET = 1 First available in 1996			
PMNOHELP	535	2	IND1FMT	SC17			N SP didn't get Rx - won't help condition
				14,501			. Inapplicable
				37			1 Indicated
				604			2 Not indicated
				Notes: Applies only if PMNOTGET = 1 First available in 1996			
PMREACT	537	2	IND1FMT	SC17			N SP didn't get Rx - feared reaction
				14,501			. Inapplicable
				90			1 Indicated
				551			2 Not indicated
				Notes: Applies only if PMNOTGET = 1 First available in 1996			
PMNONEED	539	2	IND1FMT	SC17			N SP didn't get Rx - got better - no need
				14,501			. Inapplicable
				32			1 Indicated
				609			2 Not indicated
				Notes: Applies only if PMNOTGET = 1 First available in 1996			
PMNOLIKE	541	2	IND1FMT	SC17			N SP didn't get Rx - dislike taking meds
				14,501			. Inapplicable
				37			1 Indicated
				604			2 Not indicated
				Notes: Applies only if PMNOTGET = 1 First available in 1996			
PMOTHER	543	2	IND1FMT	SC17			N SP didn't get Rx - other
				14,501			. Inapplicable
				37			1 Indicated
				604			2 Not indicated
				Notes: Applies only if PMNOTGET = 1 First available in 1996			

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PMOTHOS	545	30			SC17		C SP didn't get Rx - other (specify)
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Notes: Applies only if PMNOTGET = 1
 First available in 1996

PMMAIN	575	2	PMMEDFMT		SC18		N Main reason didn't get medicine this yr
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14,501	.	Inapplicable
1	-8	Don't know
71	1	Didn't think med was necessary for cond
297	2	Thought it would cost too much
85	3	Med not covered by insurand or Medicaid
4	4	Didn't have time
13	5	Could not get the medicine soon enough
3	6	No pharmacy convenient
11	7	Didn't have a way to get medicine
23	8	Didn't think med would help condition
66	9	Afraid of reactions/contraindications
23	10	Felt better - didn't need medicine
11	11	Dont like to take medicine
33	91	Other

Notes: Applies only if PMNOTGET = 1
 First available in 1996

PLACEPAR	577	2	YES2FMT		US1		N Does SP go particular place for med care
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3	-9	Not ascertained
15	-8	Don't know
18	-7	Refused
14,367	1	Yes
739	2	No

PLACEKND	579	2	PLACEFMT		US2		N Kind of place SP usually go for med care
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775	.	Inapplicable
11,233	1	Doctor's office or group practice
1,486	2	Doctor's clinic
684	3	HMO
50	4	Neighborhood or family health center
0	5	Freestanding surgery center
36	6	Rural Health Clinic
2	7	Company clinic
44	8	Other clinic
25	9	Walk-in urgent care center
81	10	At home
28	11	Hospital emergency room
305	12	Hospital outpatient department
349	13	Veterans' Administration facility
1	14	Mental health center
43	91	Other, specify

Note: Applies only if PLACEPAR = 1

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PLACEMCP	581	2	YES1FMT			US2A	N Is Dr/clinic associated w/ SP's MCP?
				12,574			. Inapplicable
				5			-9 Not ascertained
				13			-8 Don't know
				2,385			1 Yes
				165			2 No

Notes: Applies only if SP currently belongs to a managed care plan
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USUALDOC	583	2	YES1FMT			US4	N Is there particular Dr SP usually sees
				12,089			. Inapplicable
				7			-8 Don't know
				2,586			1 Yes
				460			2 No

Note: Inapplicable if PLACEKND = 1, 10, or .

Variable	Col	Len	Format	Frequency	ComQues#	FacQues#	Variable Type & Label
D_USSPCW	585	2	SPCLFMT			US6	N MD spec, incl in home/hosp--usually seen
				1,246			. Inapplicable
				3			-9 Not ascertained
				296			-8 Don't know
				11			1 Allergy & Immunology
				3			2 Anesthesiology
				383			3 Cardiology (heart)
				9			5 Dermatology (skin)
				6			6 Emergency Room physician
				96			7 Endocrinology/metabolism
				2,853			8 Family practice
				60			9 Gastroenterology
				5,492			10 General practice
				53			11 General surgery
				114			12 Geriatrics (elderly)
				45			13 Gynecology & Obstetrics
				14			14 Hematology (blood)
				5			15 Hospital residence
				3,615			16 Internal medicine
				79			17 Nephrology (kidneys)
				50			18 Neurology
				6			19 Nuclear Medicine
				61			20 Oncology
				18			21 Ophthalmology (eyes)
				26			22 Orthopaedics
				205			24 Osteopathy
				6			25 Otorhinolaryngology (ear, nose, throat)
				1			26 Pathology
				3			27 Physical medicine/rehab
				1			28 Plastic surgery
				1			29 Proctology
				73			30 Psychology/Psychiatry
				77			31 Pulmonology (lungs)
				0			32 Radiology
				50			33 Rheumatology (arthritis)
				3			34 Thoracic Surgery
				35			35 Urology
				0			36 Audiologist
				0			37 Chiropractor
				0			38 Dentist
				0			39 Optometrist
				0			40 Physical therapist
				0			41 Psychologist
				143			91 Other medical specialty

Note: Applies only if PLACEPAR = 1 and USUALDOC does not equal 1

USHOUSCL	587	2	YES1FMT			US7	N Does Dr make house calls?
				856			. Inapplicable
				1,211			-8 Don't know
				521			1 Yes
				12,554			2 No

Note: Applies only if PLACEKND does not equal 10 or .

Variable	Col	Len	Format	Frequency	ComQues#	FacQues#	Variable Type & Label
GETUSHOW	589	2	GODRFMT				N How does SP usually get to Dr's office?
				856			. Inapplicable
				1			-8 Don't know
				331			1 Walking
				8,916			2 Driving
				4,193			3 Being driven
				135			4 Ambulance or other special vehicle
				109			5 Taxi
				512			6 Other public transportation
				0			7 Doctor comes to home
				13			8 Senior citizen van/bus
				76			91 Other, specify

Note: Applies only if PLACEKND does not equal 10 or .

D_GETUS	591	4	SECFMT				N Mins - usually take to get Dr's office
				857			. Inapplicable
				45			-8 Don't know
				2			-7 Refused
				8,151			0-15 Up to 15 minutes
				4,477			15<-30 15 to 30 minutes
				868			30<-45 30 to 45 minutes
				407			45<-60 45 mins to 1 hr
				47			60<-75 1 hr to 1 1/4 hr
				116			75<-90 1 hr to 90 mins
				11			90<-105 90 min to 1 3/4 hr
				61			105<-120 1 3/4 hr to 2 hr
				100			2 or more hrs

Notes: Inapplicable if GETUSHOW < 0 or GETUSHOW = 7
 First available in 1992

ACCOMPUS	595	2	YES1FMT				N Does someone accompany SP to Dr's office
				857			. Inapplicable
				6			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				6,112			1 Yes
				8,166			2 No

Note: Inapplicable if GETUSHOW < 0 or GETUSHOW = 7

Variable	Col	Len	Format	Frequency	ComQues#	FacQues#	Variable Type & Label
D_ACCREL	597	2	RELFMT			US11	N Who usually goes w/ SP to Dr's office?
				9,030			. Inapplicable
				0			-5 Never ask again
				0			1 Sample person
				2,947			2 Spouse
				406			3 Son
				1,220			4 Daughter
				58			5 Brother
				173			6 Sister
				48			7 Father
				252			8 Mother
				28			9 Son-in-law
				103			10 Daughter-in-law
				27			11 Grandson
				77			12 Granddaughter
				22			13 Nephew
				94			14 Niece
				61			50 Partner/roommate
				315			51 Friend/neighbor
				5			52 Boarder
				46			53 Nurse/nurses aide
				3			54 Legal/financial officer
				5			55 Guardian
				89			91 Other relative
				133			92 Other non-relative

Note: Applies only if ACCOMPUS = 1

ACCWRITE	599	2	IND1FMT			US11aa	N Accompanies SP to take notes
				9,030			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				29			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				2,676			1 Indicated
				3,405			2 Not indicated

Notes: Applies only if ACCOMPUS = 1
 First available in 2002

ACCEXPDR	601	2	IND1FMT			US11aa	N Accompanies SP to explain things to Dr.
				9,030			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				29			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				2,706			1 Indicated
				3,375			2 Not indicated

Notes: Applies only if ACCOMPUS = 1
 First available in 2002

Variable	Col	Len	Format	Frequency	ComQues#	FacQues#	Variable Type & Label
ACCEXPSP	603	2	IND1FMT	US11aa			N Accompanies SP to explain Dr's instr
				9,030			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				29			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				1,755			1 Indicated
				4,326			2 Not indicated
Notes: Applies only if ACCOMPUS = 1 First available in 2002							
ACCASKQS	605	2	IND1FMT	US11aa			N Accompanies SP to ask questions
				9,030			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				29			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				2,391			1 Indicated
				3,690			2 Not indicated
Notes: Applies only if ACCOMPUS = 1 First available in 2002							
ACCTRANS	607	2	IND1FMT	US11aa			N Accompanies SP to act as a translator
				9,030			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				29			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				158			1 Indicated
				5,923			2 Not indicated
Notes: Applies only if ACCOMPUS = 1 First available in 2002							
ACCAPPTS	609	2	IND1FMT	US11aa			N Accompanies SP to schedule appointments
				9,030			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				29			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				1,027			1 Indicated
				5,054			2 Not indicated
Notes: Applies only if ACCOMPUS = 1 First available in 2002							
ACCMORAL	611	2	IND1FMT	US11aa			N Accompanies SP for moral support
				9,030			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				29			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				2,201			1 Indicated
				3,880			2 Not indicated
Notes: Applies only if ACCOMPUS = 1 First available in 2002							

 Variable Col Len Format Frequency ComQues# FacQues# Variable Type & Label

ACCDRIVE 613 2 IND1FMT US11aa N Accompanies SP to provide transportation
 9,030 . Inapplicable
 1 -9 Not ascertained
 29 -8 Don't know
 1 -7 Refused
 353 1 Indicated
 5,728 2 Not indicated

Notes: Applies only if ACCOMPUS = 1
 First available in 2002

ACCHELP 615 2 IND1FMT US11aa N Accompanies SP to assist w/ ADLs
 9,030 . Inapplicable
 1 -9 Not ascertained
 29 -8 Don't know
 1 -7 Refused
 74 1 Indicated
 6,007 2 Not indicated

Notes: Applies only if ACCOMPUS = 1
 First available in 2002

ACCOTHER 617 2 IND1FMT US11aa N Accompanies SP for other reason
 9,030 . Inapplicable
 1 -9 Not ascertained
 29 -8 Don't know
 1 -7 Refused
 65 1 Indicated
 6,016 2 Not indicated

Notes: Applies only if ACCOMPUS = 1
 First available in 2002

USMCCHEK 619 2 CHKFMt US12 N Does Medicare send check to SP or to Dr?
 4,193 . Inapplicable
 6 -9 Not ascertained
 119 -8 Don't know
 1 -7 Refused
 397 1 To SP
 10,223 2 To doctor
 203 3 No payment from Medicare

Note: Inapp if PLACEKND=1 or 3; PLACEPAR=1 & PLACEKND=3 or 13; or PLACEMCP=1

PAIDMORE 621 2 YES1FMT US13 N Ever pay Dr more than Medicare approves
 4,396 . Inapplicable
 6 -9 Not ascertained
 342 -8 Don't know
 2 -7 Refused
 769 1 Yes
 9,627 2 No

Note: Inapplicable if USMCCHEK = 3 or .

Variable	Col	Len	Format	Frequency	ComQues#	FacQues#	Variable Type & Label
USFINDMC	623	2	YES1FMT			US14	N Try find Dr accept Medicare approved amt
				14,373			. Inapplicable
				39			1 Yes
				730			2 No
				Note: Applies only if PAIDMORE = 1			
USHOWLNG	625	2	DOCFMT			US15	N How long seeing Dr/going service place
				775			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				69			-8 Don't know
				3			-7 Refused
				1,392			1 Less than 1 year
				2,934			2 1 year to < 3 years
				2,403			3 3 years to < 5 years
				2,938			4 5 years to < 10 years
				4,627			5 10 years or more
				Note: Applies only if PLACEPAR = 1			
USONEYY	627	2	LESSFMT			US16	N Dr seen less than a year/a year or more
				15,073			. Inapplicable
				1			-7 Refused
				0			1 Less than 1 year
				68			2 1 year or more
				Note: Applies only if USHOWLING = -8			
PREVMEDC	629	2	YES1FMT			US17	N Before usual Dr had SP seen other Dr?
				13,750			. Inapplicable
				1			-8 Don't know
				1,219			1 Yes
				172			2 No
				Note: Applies only if USHOWLING = 1 or USONEYY = 1			
PREVSTIL	631	2	YES1FMT			US18	N Still see other Dr or go to other place?
				13,923			. Inapplicable
				86			1 Yes
				1,133			2 No
				Note: Applies only if PREVMEDC = 1			

Variable	Col	Len	Format	Frequency	ComQues#	FacQues#	Variable Type & Label
PREVNOGO	633	2	WHYFMT			US19	N Why SP no see previous Dr/place anymore
				14,009			. Inapplicable
				3			-8 Don't know
				145			1 Previous doctor retired
				18			2 Previous doctor died
				223			3 Previous doctor moved
				150			4 SP moved
				70			5 Prev doctor/provider too far away
				14			6 Prev Dr/provider charge > Mcare paid
				242			7 Dissatisfied w/prev Dr/provider
				37			8 SP joined HMO
				50			9 SP changed insurance company
				74			10 Doctor changed practice
				107			91 Other

Note: Applies only if PREVSTIL = 2

PREVSAC1	635	2	PREVFMT			US20	N 1st reason why dissatis w/ previous Dr
				14,900			. Inapplicable
				5			-9 Not ascertained
				25			1 Inaccurate diagnosis
				57			2 Ineffective treatment
				103			3 Att/person prob
				13			4 Too long to wait
				4			5 Cost
				4			6 Distance/conven
				31			91 Other
				0			95 Unable to code

Note: Applies only if PREVNOGO = 7

PREVSAC2	637	2	PREVFMT			US20	N 2nd reason why dissatis w/ previous Dr
				15,062			. Inapplicable
				10			1 Inaccurate diagnosis
				36			2 Ineffective treatment
				17			3 Att/person prob
				5			4 Too long to wait
				3			5 Cost
				2			6 Distance/conven
				7			91 Other
				0			95 Unable to code

Note: Applies only if PREVNOGO = 7 and 2nd reason was given

PREVSAC3	639	2	PREVFMT			US20	N 3rd reason why dissatis w/ previous Dr
				15,130			. Inapplicable
				2			1 Inaccurate diagnosis
				5			2 Ineffective treatment
				3			3 Att/person prob
				1			4 Too long to wait
				1			5 Cost
				0			6 Distance/conven
				0			91 Other
				0			95 Unable to code

Note: Applies only if PREVNOGO = 7 and 3rd reason was given

Variable	Col	Len	Format	Frequency	ComQues#	FacQues#	Variable Type & Label
PREVREAS	641	2	PREVFMT				N Main reason go to usual Dr over other Dr
				14,009			. Inapplicable
				1			-8 Don't know
				285			1 Inaccurate diagnosis
				324			2 Ineffective treatment
				22			3 Att/person prob
				231			4 Too long to wait
				135			5 Cost
				0			6 Distance/conven
				135			91 Other
				0			95 Unable to code

Note: Inapplicable if PREVNOGO = .

REFERDOC	643	2	YES1FMT				N Refer to usual Dr by other Dr/med person
				15,056			. Inapplicable
				39			1 Yes
				47			2 No

Note: Applies only if PREVSTIL = 1 or -8

RECOMDOC	645	2	YES1FMT				N Did family/friends recommend Dr/place?
				15,056			. Inapplicable
				31			1 Yes
				55			2 No

Note: Applies only if PREVSTIL = 1 or -8

USCHGMOR	647	2	YES1FMT				N Know Dr may charge > Medicare approves
				14,313			. Inapplicable
				3			-9 Not ascertained
				21			-8 Don't know
				139			1 Yes
				666			2 No

Note: Inapp: PREVMEDC=-1; PREVMEDC=-1& PLACEPAR=1&PLACEKND=3/13; or PLACEMCP=1

USPAPWRK	649	2	DRINFMT				N Does Dr take care of insur paper work?
				7,790			. Inapplicable
				19			-9 Not ascertained
				34			-8 Don't know
				7,058			1 Yes
				172			2 No
				12			3 Sometimes
				57			4 Claims not filed for this doctor

Note: Applies if PLACEKND=-3, 13 & PREVREAS=1 or REFERDOC=1 & SP has priv ins

Variable	Col	Len	Format	Frequency	ComQues#	FacQues#	Variable Type & Label
USHICHEK	651	2	DRCKFMT	US26			N Does insurance firm send check to Dr/SP
				7,900			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				25			-8 Don't know
				7,014			1 Usual doctor or provider
				141			2 SP
				61			3 Usual doctor or provider and SP
Note: Applies if USPAPWRK = 1, 2, or 3							
USCKEVRY	653	2	AGREE	US27			N Dr checks everything when examining SP
				775			. Inapplicable
				2			-9 Not ascertained
				116			-8 Don't know
				4			-7 Refused
				3,857			1 Strongly agree
				9,352			2 Agree
				874			3 Disagree
				73			4 Stronly Disagree
				89			5 No experience
Note: Applies only if PLACEPAR = 1							
USCOMPET	655	2	AGREE	US28			N Your Dr is competent and well-trained
				775			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				238			-8 Don't know
				5			-7 Refused
				4,370			1 Strongly agree
				9,512			2 Agree
				165			3 Disagree
				20			4 Stronly Disagree
				56			5 No experience
Note: Applies only if PLACEPAR = 1							
USUNHIST	657	2	AGREE	US29			N Dr has good understanding of med history
				775			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				245			-8 Don't know
				4			-7 Refused
				4,049			1 Strongly agree
				9,435			2 Agree
				497			3 Disagree
				55			4 Stronly Disagree
				81			5 No experience
Note: Applies only if PLACEPAR = 1							

 Variable Col Len Format Frequency ComQues# FacQues# Variable Type & Label

USUNWRNG 659 2 AGREE US30 N Dr complete understand what wrong w/ SP
 775 . Inapplicable
 1 -9 Not ascertained
 294 -8 Don't know
 4 -7 Refused
 3,611 1 Strongly agree
 9,536 2 Agree
 745 3 Disagree
 69 4 Stronly Disagree
 107 5 No experience

Note: Applies only if PLACEPAR = 1

USHURRY 661 2 AGREE US31 N Dr at serv place seems to be in a hurry
 775 . Inapplicable
 1 -9 Not ascertained
 75 -8 Don't know
 3 -7 Refused
 360 1 Strongly agree
 1,909 2 Agree
 9,609 3 Disagree
 2,347 4 Stronly Disagree
 63 5 No experience

Note: Applies only if PLACEPAR = 1

USEXPPRB 663 2 AGREE US32 N Dr doesn't explain med problems to SP
 775 . Inapplicable
 1 -9 Not ascertained
 95 -8 Don't know
 4 -7 Refused
 140 1 Strongly agree
 1,187 2 Agree
 10,526 3 Disagree
 2,267 4 Stronly Disagree
 147 5 No experience

Note: Applies only if PLACEPAR = 1

USDISCUS 665 2 AGREE US33 N Hlth problem should be discuss but isn't
 775 . Inapplicable
 1 -9 Not ascertained
 103 -8 Don't know
 6 -7 Refused
 97 1 Strongly agree
 1,166 2 Agree
 10,824 3 Disagree
 2,030 4 Stronly Disagree
 140 5 No experience

Note: Applies only if PLACEPAR = 1

 Variable Col Len Format Frequency ComQues# FacQues# Variable Type & Label

USFAVOR 667 2 AGREE US34 N Dr act as if do a favor by talking to SP
 775 . Inapplicable
 1 -9 Not ascertained
 99 -8 Don't know
 9 -7 Refused
 97 1 Strongly agree
 753 2 Agree
 10,010 3 Disagree
 3,329 4 Stronly Disagree
 69 5 No experience

Note: Applies only if PLACEPAR = 1

USTELALL 669 2 AGREE US35 N Dr tell all SP wants know abt med treat
 775 . Inapplicable
 1 -9 Not ascertained
 98 -8 Don't know
 8 -7 Refused
 2,818 1 Strongly agree
 10,346 2 Agree
 898 3 Disagree
 98 4 Stronly Disagree
 100 5 No experience

Note: Applies only if PLACEPAR = 1

USANSQUX 671 2 AGREE US36 N Servicing Dr answers all SP questions
 775 . Inapplicable
 1 -9 Not ascertained
 55 -8 Don't know
 8 -7 Refused
 3,471 1 Strongly agree
 10,252 2 Agree
 450 3 Disagree
 53 4 Stronly Disagree
 77 5 No experience

Note: Applies only if PLACEPAR = 1

USCONFID 673 2 AGREE US37 N SP has great confidence in Dr
 775 . Inapplicable
 1 -9 Not ascertained
 192 -8 Don't know
 8 -7 Refused
 4,109 1 Strongly agree
 9,179 2 Agree
 701 3 Disagree
 94 4 Stronly Disagree
 83 5 No experience

Note: Applies only if PLACEPAR = 1

Variable	Col	Len	Format	Frequency	ComQues#	FacQues#	Variable Type & Label
USDEPEND	675	2	AGREE			US38	N Depend on Dr feel better phys & emotion
				775			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				211			-8 Don't know
				9			-7 Refused
				2,705			1 Strongly agree
				9,029			2 Agree
				2,036			3 Disagree
				215			4 Stronly Disagree
				161			5 No experience
				Note: Applies only if PLACEPAR = 1			
NUSNOTSK	677	2	YES1FMT			US39	N No source of care - seldom or never sick
				14,403			. Inapplicable
				3			-9 Not ascertained
				1			-8 Don't know
				462			1 Yes
				273			2 No
				Note: Applies only if PLACEPAR = 2			
NUSMOVIN	679	2	YES1FMT			US40	N No source of care - recent move to area
				14,403			. Inapplicable
				3			-9 Not ascertained
				1			-8 Don't know
				72			1 Yes
				663			2 No
				Note: Applies only if PLACEPAR = 2			
NUSAVAIL	681	2	YES1FMT			US41	N No source of care - Amer Dr unavailable
				14,403			. Inapplicable
				3			-9 Not ascertained
				2			-8 Don't know
				120			1 Yes
				614			2 No
				Note: Applies only if PLACEPAR = 2			
USWHYNAV	683	2	WHYFMT			US42	N Why is SP's usual Dr no longer available
				15,022			. Inapplicable
				2			-8 Don't know
				31			1 Previous doctor retired
				13			2 Previous doctor died
				42			3 Previous doctor moved
				4			4 SP moved
				5			5 Prev doctor/provider too far away
				0			6 Prev Dr/provider charge > Mcare paid
				0			7 Dissatisfied w/prev Dr/provider
				0			8 SP joined HMO
				0			9 SP changed insurance company
				0			10 Doctor changed practice
				23			91 Other
				Note: Applies only if NUSAVAIL = 1			

Variable	Col	Len	Format	Frequency	ComQues#	FacQues#	Variable Type & Label
NUSDIFFP	685	2	YES1FMT	US43			N No source of care - like different place
				14,403			. Inapplicable
				3			-9 Not ascertained
				4			-8 Don't know
				101			1 Yes
				631			2 No
				Note: Applies only if PLACEPAR = 2			
NUSTOOFR	687	2	YES1FMT	US44			N No source of care - places too far away
				14,403			. Inapplicable
				3			-9 Not ascertained
				4			-8 Don't know
				68			1 Yes
				664			2 No
				Note: Applies only if PLACEPAR = 2			
NUSTOOEX	689	2	YES1FMT	US45			N No source of care - cost too expensive
				14,403			. Inapplicable
				3			-9 Not ascertained
				4			-8 Don't know
				159			1 Yes
				573			2 No
				Note: Applies only if PLACEPAR = 2			
MDVCHVC1	691	2	MDVCFMT	AC28b			N 1st reason SP didn't see 1st choice Dr
				14,885			. Inapplicable
				55			1 Dr was assigned, SP had no choice
				35			2 Dr was out of the office that day
				54			3 Dr too busy, no appointment available
				9			4 Emergency situatoin, walk-in clinic
				25			5 Dr on vacation or leave of absence
				15			6 Dr moved to another location
				1			7 Dr retired or died
				13			8 SP needed a specialist or referral
				12			9 Dr was not in insurance plan
				38			91 Other specified
				0			95 Unable to code

Notes: Applies only if MDVCHOIC = 2
 First available in 1999

Variable	Col	Len	Format	Frequency	ComQues#	FacQues#	Variable Type & Label
MDVCHVC2	693	2	MDVCFMT	15,129			N 2nd reason SP didn't see 1st choice Dr
				6			. Inapplicable
				2			1 Dr was assigned, SP had no choice
				2			2 Dr was out of the office that day
				2			3 Dr too busy, no appointment available
				2			4 Emergency situatoin, walk-in clinic
				0			5 Dr on vacation or leave of absence
				0			6 Dr moved to another location
				0			7 Dr retired or died
				1			8 SP needed a specialist or referral
				0			9 Dr was not in insurance plan
				0			91 Other specified
				0			95 Unable to code

Notes: Applies only if MDVCHOIC = 2 and 2nd reason was given
 First available in 1999

MDVCHVC3	695	2	MDVCFMT	15,141			N 3rd reason SP didn't see 1st choice Dr
				1			. Inapplicable
				0			1 Dr was assigned, SP had no choice
				0			2 Dr was out of the office that day
				0			3 Dr too busy, no appointment available
				0			4 Emergency situatoin, walk-in clinic
				0			5 Dr on vacation or leave of absence
				0			6 Dr moved to another location
				0			7 Dr retired or died
				0			8 SP needed a specialist or referral
				0			9 Dr was not in insurance plan
				0			91 Other specified
				0			95 Unable to code

Notes: Applies only if MDVCHOIC = 2 and 3rd reason was given
 First available in 1999