

Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance Survey
Health Care Coverage, 2007-present
Data Dictionary

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Field	Description	Values
characteristic	The indicated variable of interest being measured	-Does Not Have Health Care Coverage -Does Have Health Care Coverage
year	The year of the BRFSS survey	2007-2012
demographic_category	The general description of the demographic groups	-TOTAL -Region -Sex -Race/Ethnicity -Age Group -Education Level -Income Range -Disability Status -Employment Status -Mental Health Status
demographic_group	The specific value of the demographic category	Dependent on demographic category - See table below
overall_sample_size	The total number of sample cases in the demographic group providing a valid answer to the BRFSS question on health care coverage	≥ 0
overall_population_size	The estimated size of the demographic group's population, obtained using the CDC-calculated weights for respondents providing a valid answer to the BRFSS question on health care coverage	≥ 0
sample_cases_w_characteristic	The number of sample cases in the demographic group that have the indicated characteristic (has health care coverage/does not have health care coverage)	≥ 0 (records with 5 or fewer sample cases are suppressed, to protect confidentiality)
est_population_w_characteristic	The estimated size of the demographic group's population that have the indicated characteristic (has health care coverage/does not have health care coverage)	≥ 0
percentage_w_characteristic	The estimate percentage of the population that has the indicated characteristic (has health care coverage/does not have health care coverage), obtained by dividing the estimated population with the indicated characteristic by the overall population size	0-100
lower_confidence_level	The lower 95% confidence level for this percentage	0-100
upper_confidence_level	The upper 95% confidence level for this percentage	0-100

Values for Demographic Group by Demographic Category

demographic_category	values for demographic_group
TOTAL	TOTAL
Region	Rest of State (NYS excluding NYC) New York City
Sex	Male Female
Race/Ethnicity	White/Non-Hispanic Black/Non-Hispanic Other Race or Multiracial/Non-Hispanic Hispanic
Age Group	18-24 25-44 45-64 65+
Education Level	Less than H.S. H.S. or GED Some Post H.S. College Graduate
Income Range	Less than \$25,000 \$25,000 - 49,999 \$50,000 - 74,999 More than \$75,000
Disability Status	Disabled Not Disabled
Employment Status	Employed/Self-Employed Unemployed Not in Labor Force
Mental Health Status	Poor Mental Health Good Mental Health