

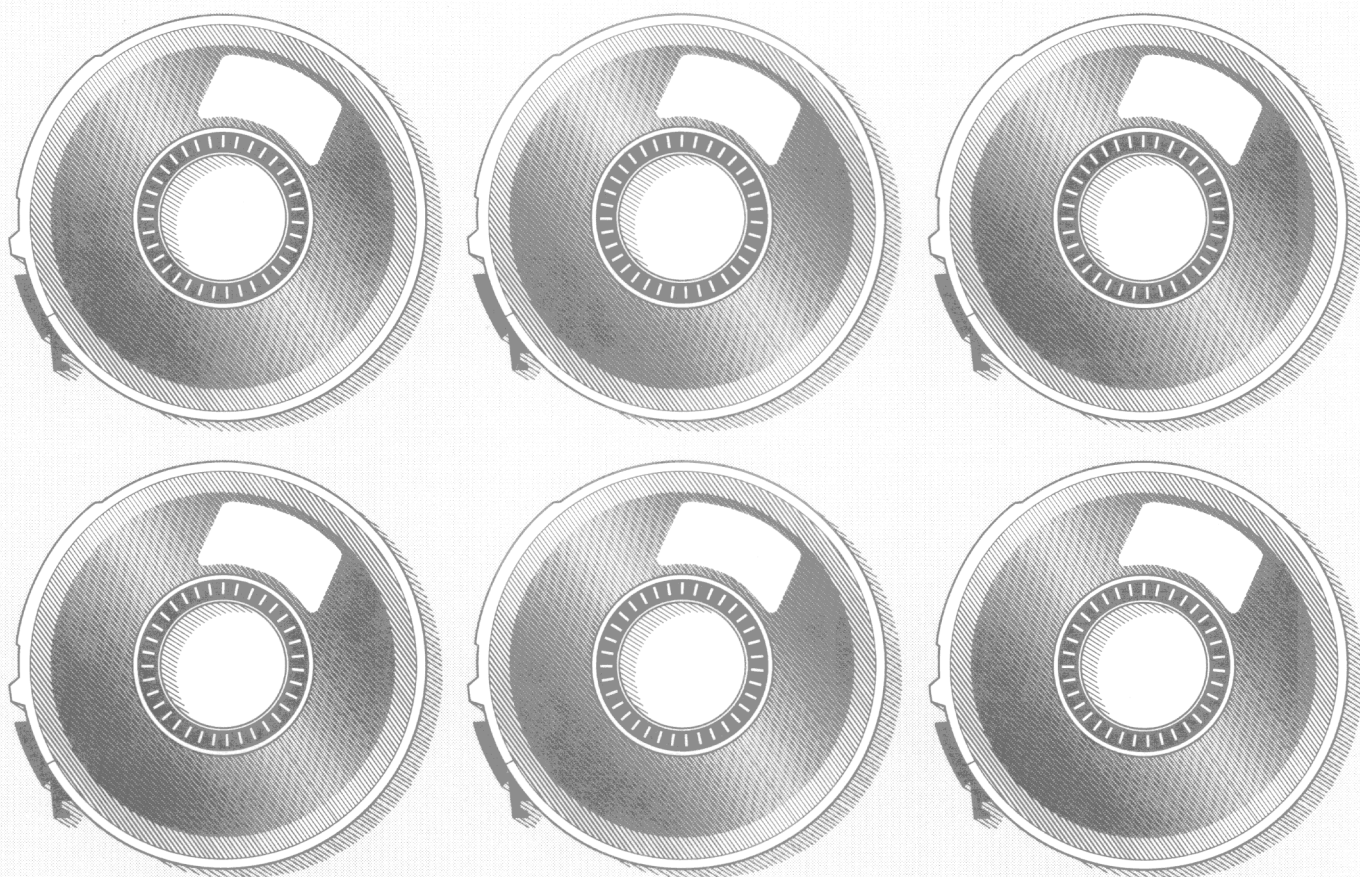
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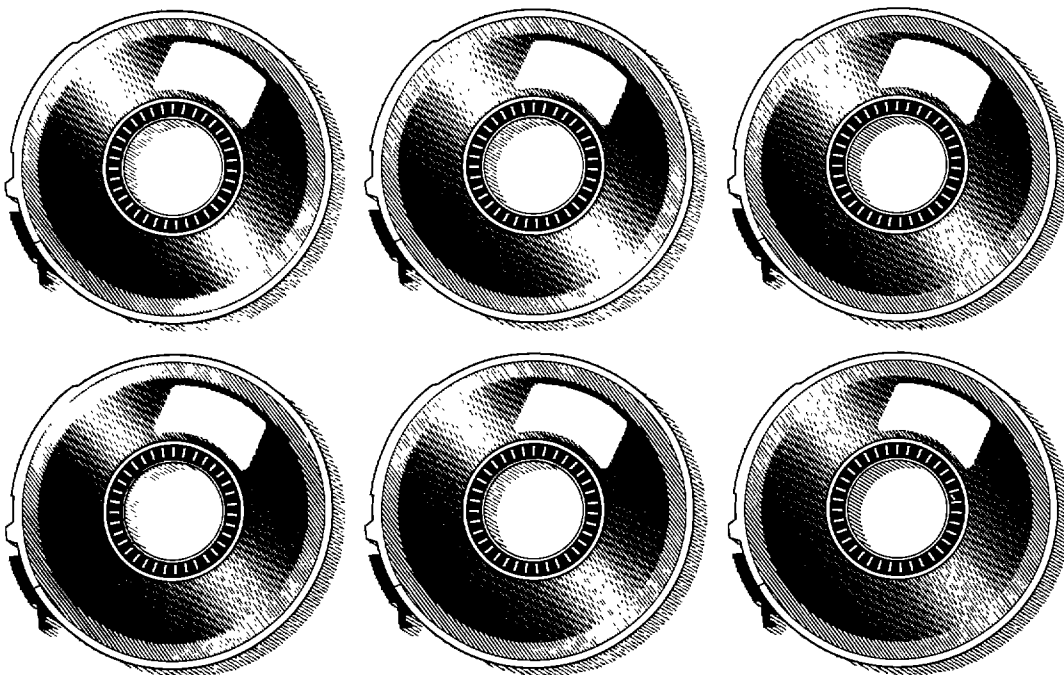
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Ages 20 Years - 74 Years

Version 1

December 1992

The Hispanic Health and Nutrition Examination Survey (HHANES) was conducted from July 1982 through December 1984. The data on the tape documented here are from all three portions of the survey:

Mexican Americans

Residing in selected counties of Texas, Colorado, New Mexico, Arizona and California

Surveyed from July 1982 through November 1983

9,894 persons sampled; 8,554 interviewed; 7,462 examined

Cuban Americans

Residing in Dade County (Miami), Florida

Surveyed from January 1984 through April 1984

2,244 persons sampled; 1,766 interviewed; 1,357 examined

Puerto Ricans

Residing in the New York City area, including parts of New Jersey and Connecticut

Surveyed from May 1984 through December 1984

3,786 persons sampled; 3,369 interviewed; 2,834 examined

The following tape characteristics are those of the version of the tape kept at NCHS and of the tape transmitted to the National Technical Information Service for release to users:

Tape labels: IBM standard
Data set name: HHANES.DU654001
Data set organization: Physical sequential
Record format: Fixed block
Record length: 1017
Block size: 24408
Number of records: 5815
Data code: EBCDIC

CAUTION

BEFORE USING THIS DATA TAPE,
PLEASE READ THIS PAGE

- Read the accompanying description of the survey, "The Plan and Operation of the Hispanic Health and Nutrition Examination Survey", DHHS Publication No. (PHS) 85-1321 before conducting analyses of the data on this tape.
- Two aspects of HHANES, especially, should be taken into account when conducting any analyses: the sample weights and the complex survey design.
- Analyses should not be conducted on data combined from the three portions of the survey (Mexican-American, Cuban-American, Puerto Rican).
- HHANES is a survey of Hispanic households and some of the sample persons included on this tape are not of Hispanic origin. A detailed description of the data codes dealing with national origin or ancestry appears in the NOTES section of this document.
- Examine the range and frequency of values of a variable before conducting an analysis of data. The range may include unusual or unexpected values. The frequency counts may be useful to determine which analyses may be worthwhile.
- Language of interview, which may appear several places on this tape, can vary depending on the questionnaire (several used in the survey) and on whether the response was provided by the sample person or by a proxy.
- For some data items, reference is made to a note. The notes (in a separate section of this document) may be very important in data analyses. Attention to them is strongly urged.
- For some data items, the number of sample persons with a positive response is very small. In these instances, it may not be possible to produce a reliable population estimate.

This Public Use Data Tape has been edited very carefully. Numerous consistency and other checks were also performed. Nevertheless, due especially to the large number of data items, some errors may have gone undetected.

Please bring to the attention of NCHS any errors in the data tape or the documentation. Errata sheets will be sent to people who have purchased the data tapes and corrections will be made to subsequently released data tapes.

In publications, please acknowledge NCHS as the original data source. The acknowledgment should include a disclaimer crediting the authors for analyses, interpretations, and conclusions; NCHS should be cited as being responsible for only the collection and processing of the data. In addition, NCHS requests that the acronym HHANES be placed in the abstracts of journal articles and other publications based on data from this survey in order to facilitate the retrieval of such materials through automated bibliographic searches. Please send reprints of journal articles and other publications that include data from this tape to NCHS.

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Public Use Data Tapes for the Hispanic Health and Nutrition Examination Survey will be released through the National Technical Information Service (NTIS) as soon as the data have been edited, validated and documented. A list of NCHS Public Use Data Tapes that can be purchased from NTIS may be obtained by writing the Scientific and Technical Information Branch, NCHS.

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SECTION A. INTRODUCTION AND SURVEY DESCRIPTION

The National Center for Health Statistics (NCHS) collects, analyzes, and disseminates data on the health status of Americans. The results of surveys, analyses, and studies are made known primarily through publications and the release of computer data tapes. This document contains details required to guide programmers, statistical analysts, and research scientists in the use of a Public Use Data Tape.

From 1960 through 1980 NCHS conducted five population-based, national health examination surveys. Each survey involved collecting data by direct physical examination, the taking of a medical history, and laboratory and clinical tests and measurements. Questionnaires and examination components have been designed to obtain and support analyses of data on certain targeted conditions such as diabetes, hypertension, and anemia. Beginning with the first National Health and Nutrition Examination Survey (NHANES I) a nutrition component was added to obtain information on nutritional status and dietary practices. The numbers of Hispanics in these samples were, however, insufficient to enable adequate estimation of their health conditions. From 1982 through 1984 a Hispanic Health and Nutrition Examination Survey (HHANES) was conducted to obtain data on the health and nutritional status of three Hispanic groups: Mexican Americans from Texas, Colorado, New Mexico, Arizona and California; Cuban Americans from Dade County, Florida; and Puerto Ricans from the New York City area, including parts of New Jersey and Connecticut.

The general structure of the HHANES sample design was similar to that of the previous National Health and Nutrition Examination Surveys. All of these studies have used complex, multistage, stratified, clustered samples of defined populations. The major difference between HHANES and the previous surveys is that HHANES was a survey of three special subgroups of the population in selected areas of the United States rather than a national probability sample. A detailed presentation of the design specifications is found in Chapter 5 of "Plan and Operation of the Hispanic Health and Nutrition Examination Survey, 1982-84" (Ref. No. 1).

Data collection began with a household interview. Several questionnaires were administered:

- A Household Screener Questionnaire (HSQ), administered at each selected address, for determining household eligibility and for selecting sample persons.
- A Family Questionnaire (FQ), administered once for each family containing sample persons, which included sections on family relationships, basic demographic information for sample persons and head of family, Medicare and health insurance coverage, participation in income assistance programs, and housing characteristics.
- An Adult Sample Person Questionnaire (ASPQ), for persons 12 through 74 years which, depending on age, included sections on health status measures, health services utilization, smoking (20 through 74 years), meal program participation, and acculturation. Information on the use of medicines and vitamins in the past two weeks was also obtained.
- A Child Sample Person Questionnaire (CSPQ), for sample persons 6 months through 11 years which included sections on a number of health status issues, health care utilization, infant feeding practices, participation in meal programs, school attendance, and language use. Information on the use of medicines and vitamins in the past two weeks was also obtained.

At the Mobile Examination Center two questionnaires were administered and an examination performed.

- An Adult Sample Person Supplement (ASPS), for sample persons 12 through 74 years, which included sections on alcohol consumption, drug abuse, depression, smoking (12 through 19 years), pesticide exposure, and reproductive history.

- A Dietary Questionnaire (DQ), for persons 6 months through 74 years, by which trained dietary interviewers collected information about "usual" consumption habits and dietary practices, and recorded foods consumed 24-hours prior to midnight of the interview.
- An examination which included a variety of tests and procedures. Age at interview and other factors determined which procedures were administered to which examinees. A dentist performed a dental examination and a vision test. Technicians took blood and urine specimens and administered a glucose tolerance test, X-rays, electrocardiograms, and ultrasonographs of the gallbladder. Technicians also performed hearing tests and took a variety of body measurements. A physician performed a medical examination focusing especially on the cardiovascular, gastrointestinal, neurological and musculoskeletal systems. The physician's impression of overall health, nutritional and weight status, and health care needs were also recorded. Some blood and urine specimen analyses were performed by technicians in the examination center; others were conducted under contract at various laboratories.

Because the HHANES sample is not a simple random one, it is necessary to incorporate sample weights for proper analysis of the data. These sample weights are a composite of individual selection probabilities, adjustments for noncoverage and nonresponse, and poststratification adjustments. The HHANES sample weights, which are necessary for the calculation of point estimates, are located on all data tapes in positions 184-213. Because of the complex sample design and the ratio adjustments used to produce the sample weights, commonly used methods of point and variance estimation and hypothesis testing which assume simple random sampling may give misleading results. In order to provide users with the capability of estimating the complex sample variances in the HHANES data, Strata and Pseudo Primary Sampling Unit (PSU) codes have been provided on all data tapes in positions 214-217. These codes and the sample weights are necessary for the calculation of variances.

There are computer programs available designed for variance estimation for complex sample designs. The balanced repeated replication approach (Ref. No. 2) is used in &REPERR and a linearization approach is used in &PSALMS to calculate variance-covariance matrixes. Both routines are available within the OSIRIS IV library (Ref. No. 3). SURREGR (Ref. No. 4) and SUPERCARP (Ref. No. 5) are programs that calculate variance-covariance matrixes using a linearization approach (Ref. No. 6) (Taylor series expansion). Another program, SESUDAAN (Ref. No. 7) calculates standard errors, variances, and design effects. (Note: This version of SESUDAAN should not be used to obtain variances for totals.) SURREGR and SESUDAAN are special procedures which run data under the SAS system (Ref. No. 8).

Even though the total number of examined persons in this survey is quite large, subclass analyses can lead to estimates that are unstable, particularly estimates of variances. Consequently, analyses of subclasses require that the user pay particular attention to the number of sample persons in the subclass and the number of PSU's that contain at least one sample person in the subclass. Small sample sizes, or a small number of PSU's used in the variance calculations, may produce unstable estimates of the variances.

A more complete discussion of these issues and possible analytic strategies for examining various hypotheses is presented in Chapter 11 of "Plan and Operation of the Hispanic Health and Nutrition Examination Survey, 1982-84" (Ref. No. 1) and in an earlier NCHS methodology (Series 2) publication (Ref. No. 9).

Some users, however, may not have access to the computer programs for estimating complex sample variances or may want to do their preliminary analyses without using them. In addition, variance estimates calculated from HHANES data through use of the programs described previously are likely to be unstable because there were so few sample areas for each portion of HHANES. This instability is not due to there being too few people in the sample but may be due to the fact that the sample was selected from relatively few areas. Therefore, the following

discussion is designed to provide an alternative approach to deal with the unavailability of software and the small number of PSU's. The approach is based on using average design effects (Ref. No. 10).

The design effect, defined as the ratio of the variance of a statistic from a complex sample to the variance of the same statistic from a simple random sample of the same size, that is,

$$\text{DESIGN EFFECT (DEFF)} = \frac{\text{COMPLEX SAMPLE VARIANCE}}{\text{SIMPLE RANDOM SAMPLE VARIANCE}}$$

is often used to show the impact of the complex sample design on variances. If the design effect is near 1, the complex sample design has little effect on the variances and the user could consider assuming simple random sampling for the analysis.

Some illustrative design effects for HHANES data on this tape are given in the following tables. The design effects in the tables are the average for the age groups usually presented in NCHS Series 11 publications. If the average design effect for a subgroup was less than 1.0 (implying an improvement over simple random sampling), it was coded as 1.0.

The following guidelines were used in the calculation of the average design effects:

1. Exclude all persons of non-Hispanic origin,
2. Exclude all estimates for large age ranges, such as all ages combined or 'all adults', and
3. Exclude all estimates where the proportion of the subpopulation with the specific characteristic or condition was zero percent or one hundred percent.

Design effects tend to be larger when age groups are combined, just as they are when the sexes are combined, as shown in the tables. The data in the tables give the user an idea of the range in design effects for selected response variables from this data tape. If a response variable is not one shown in the tables take the range into account; it is possible that a user could have one of the higher, rather than one of the lower, design effects.

Suppose for example, that of the 3,532 Mexican-Americans ages 20-74 years who had an electrocardiogram (ECG), 8.9 percent have an equivocal ECG finding. Suppose, also, that their mean heart rate was 67.

Assuming simple random sampling, the variance for the percent is calculated by converting the percent to a proportion and using the standard formula for the variance of a proportion,

$$V = \frac{pq}{n}$$

This variance (V) multiplied by the design effect (DEFF) provides an estimate of the variance from a complex sample of the same sample size (n). In the example above,

$$V = \frac{(.089)(.911)}{3532}$$

$$= .000029 = \text{variance for a simple random sample}$$

**Average Design Effects, by Sex, for Selected Variables --
Mexican-American Portion**

| Variable | Mean or Proportion | Tape Positions | Both Sexes | Male | Female |
|-------------------------------|--------------------|----------------|------------|------|--------|
| ECG Estimate of LV Mass Index | x | 456-459 | 1.3 | 1.1 | 1.3 |
| Major Abnormality (adjusted) | p | 461 | 1.0 | 1.0 | 1.0 |
| Minor Abnormality (adjusted) | p | 462 | 1.4 | 1.0 | 1.3 |
| Diagnostic ECG (adjudicated) | p | 463 | 1.5 | 1.4 | 1.0 |
| Equivocal ECG (adjudicated) | p | 464 | 1.2 | 1.0 | 1.2 |
| Heart Rate/min | x | 513-516 | 1.3 | 1.0 | 1.1 |

Source: NCHS, HHANES, 1982-84, Tape Number 6540, Version 01

**Average Design Effects, by Sex, for Selected Variables --
Cuban-American Portion**

| Variable | Mean or Proportion | Tape Positions | Both Sexes | Male | Female |
|-------------------------------|--------------------|----------------|------------|------|--------|
| ECG Estimate of LV Mass Index | x | 456-459 | 1.4 | 1.6 | 1.3 |
| Major Abnormality (adjusted) | p | 461 | 1.1 | 1.0 | 1.0 |
| Minor Abnormality (adjusted) | p | 462 | 1.0 | 1.0 | 1.1 |
| Diagnostic ECG (adjudicated) | p | 463 | 1.3 | 1.3 | 1.0 |
| Equivocal ECG (adjudicated) | p | 464 | 1.0 | 1.0 | 1.0 |
| Heart Rate/min | x | 513-516 | 1.0 | 1.0 | 1.1 |

Source: NCHS, HHANES, 1982-84, Tape Number 6540, Version 01

**Average Design Effects, by Sex, for Selected Variables --
Puerto Rican Portion**

| Variable | Mean or Proportion | Tape Positions | Both Sexes | Male | Female |
|-------------------------------|--------------------|----------------|------------|------|--------|
| ECG Estimate of LV Mass Index | x | 456-459 | 1.0 | 1.0 | 1.1 |
| Major Abnormality (adjusted) | p | 461 | 1.5 | 1.5 | 1.1 |
| Minor Abnormality (adjusted) | p | 462 | 1.0 | 1.3 | 1.3 |
| Diagnostic ECG (adjudicated) | p | 463 | 1.1 | 1.0 | 1.0 |
| Equivocal ECG (adjudicated) | p | 464 | 1.1 | 1.6 | 1.1 |
| Heart Rate/min | x | 513-516 | 1.0 | 1.3 | 1.0 |

Source: NCHS, HHANES, 1982-84, Tape Number 6540, Version 01

Then, multiplying by the design effect,

$$\begin{aligned} &= (.000022)(1.2) \\ &= .000028 = \text{estimated variance for the complex sample} \end{aligned}$$

In a similar way, the complex sample variance of the mean heart rate is determined by multiplying the simple random sample variance of the mean by the appropriate design effect-- in this example, 1.3.

The user can then proceed with estimating confidence intervals and testing hypotheses in the usual manner.

The user should recognize that this approach does not incorporate the variance covariance matrix. In most cases, this leads to a slight overestimate of the variance because the covariance terms, which are subtracted in the variance of a ratio, in general are positive. Thus, in a borderline case, the null hypothesis would be less likely to be rejected (Ref. No. 11).

Alternative or better approaches may exist or be developed. Users who want to suggest such approaches, or who want the latest information should contact the Scientific and Technical Information Branch (address given in the beginning of this documentation).

SECTION B. DATA COLLECTION AND PROCESSING PROCEDURES

Data presented in Sections E through H and the family relationships data in Section J were collected on the Household Screener and Family Questionnaires. These interview schedules were administered in sample persons' households. (Data presented in Section K were collected in the Mobile Examination Centers.) Completed interview schedules were reviewed in the Survey's field offices and again at the data processing center of NCHS by clerical editors. The editors checked the forms for completeness, clarity, and compliance with skip patterns, and they coded items such as industry and occupation. At the data processing center the questionnaires were keyed and verified on key-to-disk data entry equipment under the control of programs that checked for valid codes and ranges, compliance with skip patterns and consistency. After being keyed, data were reedited by analysts for reasonableness and consistency and for compliance with instructions for sampling and questionnaire administration.

The general tape description format is Tape Position X Item X Counts. The item (field) may be a tape descriptor (e.g., Version Number), a sample person descriptor (e.g. Age at Interview), or a question (e.g., Is sample person covered by Medicare?). Where appropriate, data entries are presented by codes. Frequency counts are given for each code. The counts are included to help the user in planning analyses and in verifying that programs account for all data. The data source is given also (e.g., from Family Questionnaire). In some cases, a note is referenced. The notes contain explanations of the item (e.g., how Poverty Index is calculated).

The questionnaire data have undergone many quality control and editing procedures. The responses of sample persons to some questions may appear extreme or illogical. Self-reported data, especially, are subject to a number of sources of variability, including recall and other reporting errors. In the data clean-up process, responses that varied considerably from expected were verified through direct review of the collection form or a copy of it. Such responses may not represent fact, but they are included as recorded in the field. The user must determine if these responses should be included in analyses.

Responses to "other" and "specify" were recoded to existing categories, if possible. For responses that could not be recoded, new code categories were created if the information was deemed analytically useful. Caution should be used in interpreting the data from these new categories because there is no way of knowing which other respondents would have selected one of the new categories if given the option.

For the adult sample person questionnaires there are three codes for missing information: 7's, 8's, and blanks. In a few questions, 7's were used when the question was not applicable. A code "8", which is labeled as "blank but applicable", is used to indicate that a sample person should have a data value for a particular item but for varying reasons that value is unavailable. Blanks were used to follow skip patterns, i.e., when a question was not supposed to be asked or was not applicable. The "don't know" codes (9, 99, 999) were used only when given as a printed response on the original questionnaire.

Copies of the questionnaires, both in English and Spanish, can be found in the plan and operation report for HHANES (Ref. No. 1). Detailed information on interviewing and examination procedures is contained in the household interviewer's manual (Ref. No. 12) and the examination staff procedures manual (Ref. No. 13). These manuals are available upon request from:

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The electrocardiographic data presented in Section K give an objective measure of cardiac health status of individuals examined in the HHANES. The electrocardiogram is a relatively insensitive tool for the assessment of cardiac health status. In addition, the individual electrocardiographic measures of cardiac health status have varying specificity in terms of the extent to which they represent abnormality. Despite these limitations, the electrocardiographic variables are carefully and completely defined. Also, an extensive process was used to ensure the accuracy of findings described in this data tape.

Data Collection Procedures

The procedure for collection of the electrocardiographic data which is summarized below, is described in detail in the Examination Staff Procedures Manual for HHANES, 1982-1984 (Instruction Manual, 15a). Marquette Electronics Microcomputer Augmented Cardiograph Digital Recording Electrocardiograph units (MAC-DR) were used for recording the electrocardiograms. These units recorded 10 seconds of ECG data simultaneously for 8 independent components of the 12 standard leads, followed by a calibration signal. The following computer algorithm:

$$\begin{array}{lcl} \text{III} & = & \text{II} - \text{I} \\ \text{aVR} & = & -1/2(\text{I} + \text{II}) \\ \text{aVL} & = & \text{I} - 1/2(\text{II}) \\ \text{aVF} & = & \text{II} - 1/2(\text{I}) \end{array}$$

provided the remaining 4 leads, III, aVR, aVL and aVF from leads I and II. Subsequently, a 20-second rhythm strip was recorded from the Frank XYZ leads. The electrocardiographic data were stored on magnetic tape cassettes after analog to digital conversion. The sampling rate was 250 samples/sec channel for the 12-lead ECG and 500 samples/sec channel for the XYZ leads. These data were subsequently transferred to IBM compatible 9-track digital tapes for processing and permanent storage. Hardcopy tracings including 5.4 seconds from each of the standard leads and 5.4 seconds from the XYZ leads were printed at a paper speed of 25mm/sec. A 35-Hz filter was used to reduce noise on the ECG paper tracing. Frequency response was equal to or exceeded the American Heart Association recommendations (Circulation 52(2):11, 1975). Frequency response was -3db at 0.001 Hz low frequency measured from initial 320 ms of step input response, -3db at 140 Hz high frequency with 5mm amplitude signal.

Tracings were recorded by health technicians. Their performance was monitored by a supervisory health technician who reviewed samples of the tracings for poor technique. Field calibration of the electrocardiographic units was performed weekly and included: 1) a self-calibration testing gain, linearity, step response, frequency response and offset; 2) external source calibration testing response of unit to external-generated calibrated signals, and; 3) playback calibration testing the ability to produce an identical copy of a previously recorded electrocardiogram. A staff bioengineer reviewed the results of these tests and ensured continued adequate functioning of the equipment.

All electrocardiograms were performed prior to any glucose load. Time since last meal varied because some sample persons had fasted overnight and some had afternoon examinations after lunch.

Data Processing Procedures

The procedure for measurement, classification and validation of the electrocardiographic variables involved:

1. A computer reading of all electrocardiograms;

2. A manual reading of electrocardiograms with myocardial infarction-associated codes by an expert cardiologist;
3. Manual reading of the latter subset of electrocardiograms by technician coders;
4. Adjudication of differences in the computer reading and the two sets of manual readings by three expert electrocardiographers.

The digital electrocardiographic data collected in the field at the mobile examination centers were initially sent to the Dalhousie University Heart Disease Research Centre for computer measurement and coding of the waveforms. The procedures for this computer coding are documented in Section M. These measurements and codes are the source of the "Dalhousie" computer-generated variables which are provided. Electrocardiograms with Dalhousie computer-generated myocardial infarction-associated codes (Minnesota codes 1.1.1-1.2.5, 1.2.7, 1.2.8-1.3.6, 9.2, 4.1-4.3, 5.1-5.3) were then manually assessed by Cardiologist, Daniel Savage, MD, PhD and coders at the University of Minnesota Electrocardiography Coding Laboratory. Procedures at the Coding Laboratory are documented in Reference 4 (Section M). Finally, differences among the manual readings and the computer readings were adjudicated in a review of individual tracings by three experts (Pentti Rautaharju, MD, PhD, Ronald Prineas, BM, PhD and Daniel D. Savage, MD, PhD). This latter process is the source of the adjudicated readings.

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SECTION D. TAPE POSITION INDEX

TAPE POSITIONS 1-400 contain data categories common to all data tapes: sociodemographic data, family composition, family income, residence and household. Sample weights are also in this set of data.

TAPE POSITION 401+ contain data categories unique to this data tape.

SOCIODEMOGRAPHIC DATA - SAMPLE PERSON (SECTION E)

| | |
|---------|--|
| 1 - 5 | Sample Person Sequence Number |
| 6 - 15 | Survey and Tape Identifiers |
| 16 | Examination Status |
| 17 | Language of Interview |
| 18 - 21 | Date of Interview |
| 22 - 25 | Date of Examination |
| 26 - 29 | Date of Birth |
| 30 - 32 | Age at Interview |
| 33 - 38 | Age at Examination |
| 39 - 43 | Family Number |
| 44 - 45 | Relationship to Head of Family |
| 46 | Sex |
| 47 | Race |
| 48 - 49 | National Origin or Ancestry |
| 50 - 52 | Birth Place |
| 53 | National Origin Recode |
| 54 - 56 | Education |
| 57 | Marital Status |
| 58 | Service in Armed Forces |
| 59 - 69 | Work/Occupation/Employment |
| 70 - 95 | Health Insurance/Health Care Support |
| 96 - 99 | Income Assistance/Public Compensation or Support |

SOCIODEMOGRAPHIC DATA - HEAD OF FAMILY (SECTION F)

| | |
|-----------|----------------------------------|
| 100 | Interview and Examination Status |
| 102 - 105 | Date of Birth |
| 106 - 108 | Age at Interview |
| 109 | Sex |
| 110 | Race |
| 111 - 112 | National Origin or Ancestry |
| 113 - 115 | Birth Place |
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FAMILY COMPOSITION AND INCOME DATA (SECTION G)

| | |
|---------|-----------------------------------|
| 132-133 | Number of People in Family |
| 134-135 | Number of Sample People in Family |
| 136-138 | Combined Family Income |
| 139-143 | Per Capita Income |
| 144-146 | Poverty Index |
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| | |
|---------|--|
| 163 | Size of Place |
| 164 | Standard Metropolitan Statistical Area |
| 165-166 | Number of People in Household |
| 167-168 | Number of Sample People in Household |
| 169-170 | Number of Rooms |
| 171 | Kitchen Facilities Access |
| 172-183 | Heating/Cooling Equipment |

SAMPLE WEIGHTS (SECTION I)

| | |
|---------|--------------------------|
| 184-189 | Examination Final Weight |
| 190-195 | Interview Final Weight |
| 196-201 | GTT/Ultrasound Weight |
| 202-207 | Audiometry/Vision Weight |
| 208-213 | Pesticide Weight |
| 214-215 | Strata Code |
| 216-217 | Pseudo PSU Code |

FAMILY RELATIONSHIPS (SECTION J)

| | |
|---------|------------------------|
| 218-400 | Data not yet available |
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CONVENTIONAL 12-LEAD ECG DATA (SECTION K)

| | |
|----------|---|
| 401-404 | Tape number |
| 410-415 | Summary diagnoses based on computer readings |
| 416-444 | Minnesota Code items coded by computer |
| 445-451 | Cardiac Infarction/Injury Score |
| 452-460 | LV Mass and LV Mass Index estimates |
| 461-482 | Minnesota codes after adjudication |
| 513-539 | Heart rate, basic ECG interval and mean axis data |
| 542-1017 | Amplitude and duration measurements |

SECTION E. SOCIODEMOGRAPHIC DATA - SAMPLE PERSON (POS 1-99)

Source: Family Questionnaire (FQ)
Household Screener Questionnaire (HSQ)

| Position | Item Description and Code | C o u n t s | | | Source and Notes |
|----------|--|-------------|-----|------|---------------------|
| | | M | C | P | |
| 1-5 | Sample person sequence number | | | | |
| | 00001-09894 Mexican Americans | 3555 | - | - | |
| | 10002-12238 Cuban Americans | - | 907 | - | |
| | 13001-16785 Puerto Ricans | - | - | 1353 | |
| 6-12 | Blank | | | | |
| 13 | Portion of survey | | | | |
| | 1 Mexican-American (M) | 3555 | - | - | |
| | 2 Cuban-American (C) | - | 907 | - | |
| | 3 Puerto Rican (P) | - | - | 1353 | |
| 14 | Family Questionnaire missing | | | | |
| | 1 Yes | 10 | 4 | 5 | See Note 1 |
| | 2 No | 3545 | 903 | 1348 | |
| 15 | Version number | | | | |
| | 1 | 3555 | 907 | 1353 | |
| 16 | Examination status | | | | |
| | 1 Examined | 3555 | 907 | 1353 | See Note 2 |
| | 2 Not examined | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| 17 | Language of interview (Pos 1-400) | | | | FQ |
| | 1 English | 2127 | 157 | 561 | |
| | 2 Spanish | 1418 | 746 | 787 | |
| | Blank | 10 | 4 | 5 | |
| | Date of interview | | | | HSQ 4 |
| 18-19 | 01-12 Month | 3555 | 907 | 1353 | |
| 20-21 | 82-84 Year | 3555 | 907 | 1353 | |
| | Date of examination | | | | |
| | From survey control record | | | | |
| 22-23 | 01-12 Month | 3555 | 907 | 1353 | |
| 24-25 | 82-84 Year | 3555 | 907 | 1353 | |
| | Date of birth | | | | HSQ 2e |
| 26-27 | 01-12 Month | 3555 | 907 | 1353 | |
| | 88 Blank but applicable | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| 28-29 | 08-64 Year | 3555 | 907 | 1353 | |
| 88 | Blank but applicable | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| 30-31 | Age at interview (computed) | | | | |
| | 20-74 (See next column for units) | 3555 | 907 | 1353 | |
| 32 | Age at interview units | | | | HSQ 2f |
| | 1 Years | 3555 | 907 | 1353 | |

| Position | Item Description and Code | C o u n t s | | | Source and Notes |
|----------|--|-------------|-----|------|----------------------|
| | | M | C | P | |
| | Age at examination (computed) Positions 33-38 are all 0 for non-examined persons | | | | |
| 33-34 | 20-75 Years | 3555 | 907 | 1353 | |
| 35-36 | 00-11 Months | 3555 | 907 | 1353 | |
| 37-38 | 00-30 Days | 3555 | 907 | 1353 | |
| 39-43 | Family number | | | | See Note 3 |
| | 00002-03527 | 3555 | - | - | |
| | 04005-04922 | - | 907 | - | |
| | 07003-08584 | - | - | 1353 | |
| 44-45 | What is sample person's relationship to head of family? Sample person is: | | | | HSQ 2b See Note 4 |
| | 01 Head of family living alone (1 family with only 1 member) | 143 | 56 | 113 | |
| | 02 Head of family with no related persons in household (2+ persons in household) | 70 | 23 | 23 | |
| | 03 Head of family with related persons in household | 1566 | 368 | 674 | |
| | 04 Wife of head (husband living at home and not in Armed Forces) | 1264 | 297 | 290 | |
| | 05 Wife of head (husband living at home and is in Armed Forces) | 5 | 0 | 0 | |
| | 06 Husband of head (wife living at home and not in Armed Forces) | 35 | 12 | 37 | |
| | 07 Husband of head (wife living at home and is in Armed Forces) | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| | 08 Child of head or head's spouse | 277 | 76 | 126 | |
| | 09 Grandchild of head or head's spouse | 7 | 0 | 3 | |
| | 10 Parent of head or head's spouse | 57 | 35 | 33 | |
| | 11 Other relative (includes ex-spouse, daughter-in-law, etc.) | 131 | 40 | 54 | |
| | 12 Foster child | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| 46 | Sex | | | | FQ B-4 |
| | 1 Male | 1572 | 393 | 498 | |
| | 2 Female | 1983 | 514 | 855 | |
| 47 | Observed race | | | | FQ B-5 See Note 5 |
| | 1 White | 3446 | 870 | 1220 | |
| | 2 Black | 30 | 13 | 62 | |
| | 3 Other | 6 | 2 | 27 | |
| | 8 Blank but applicable | 41 | 12 | 28 | |
| | 9 Not observed | 22 | 6 | 11 | |
| | Blank | 10 | 4 | 5 | |
| 48-49 | Sample person's national origin or ancestry | | | | HSQ 2c See Note 6 |
| | 01 Mexican/Mexicano | 940 | 1 | 1 | |
| | 02 Mexican-American | 2230 | 0 | 0 | |
| | 03 Chicano | 46 | 0 | 0 | |
| | 04 Puerto Rican | 7 | 3 | 1202 | |
| | 05 Boricuan | 0 | 0 | 15 | |
| | 06 Cuban | 3 | 796 | 14 | |
| | 07 Cuban-American | 0 | 69 | 0 | |

| Position | Item Description and Code | C o u n t s | | | Source and Notes |
|----------|--|-------------|-----|------|----------------------|
| | | M | C | P | |
| 48-49 | Sample person's national origin or ancestry (Cont'd) | | | | HSQ 2c See Note 6 |
| | 08 Hispano - specify | 61 | 10 | 20 | |
| | 09 Other Latin-American or other Spanish - specify | 25 | 16 | 25 | |
| | 00 Other - specify | 217 | 12 | 76 | |
| | 10 Spanish-American | 13 | 0 | 0 | |
| | 11 Spanish (Spain) | 13 | 0 | 0 | |
| 50-52 | In what state or foreign country was sample person born? | | | | FQ B-6 |
| | 001-115 State/country code | 3528 | 900 | 1324 | |
| | 888 Blank but applicable | 17 | 3 | 24 | |
| | Blank | 10 | 4 | 5 | |
| 53 | National origin recode "Hispanic" = Mexican-American in Southwest, Cuban-American in Florida, and Puerto Rican in New York City area | | | | See Note 8 |
| | 1 "Hispanic" | 3326 | 865 | 1220 | |
| | 2 Not "Hispanic" | 229 | 42 | 133 | |
| 54-55 | What is the highest grade or year of regular school sample person has ever attended? | | | | FQ B-7 |
| | 00 Never attended or kindergarten only | 141 | 6 | 23 | |
| | 01-08 Elementary grade | 1312 | 342 | 435 | |
| | 09-12 High school grade | 1442 | 292 | 666 | |
| | 13-16 College | 536 | 228 | 195 | |
| | 17 Graduate school | 69 | 30 | 14 | |
| | 88 Blank but applicable | 45 | 5 | 15 | |
| | Blank | 10 | 4 | 5 | |
| 56 | Did sample person finish that grade/year? | | | | FQ B-8 |
| | 1 Yes | 2779 | 779 | 1055 | |
| | 2 No | 580 | 108 | 236 | |
| | 8 Blank but applicable | 45 | 10 | 34 | |
| | Blank | 151 | 10 | 28 | |
| 57 | Is sample person now married, widowed, divorced, separated or has he or she never been married? | | | | FQ B-9 |
| | 1 Married - spouse in household | 2539 | 622 | 647 | |
| | 2 Married - spouse not in household | 68 | 17 | 53 | |
| | 3 Widowed | 161 | 50 | 66 | |
| | 4 Divorced | 209 | 92 | 154 | |
| | 5 Separated | 149 | 21 | 147 | |
| | 6 Never married | 403 | 100 | 275 | |
| | 8 Blank but applicable | 16 | 1 | 6 | |
| | Blank | 10 | 4 | 5 | |

| Position | Item Description and Code | C o u n t s | | | Source and Notes |
|----------|--|-------------|-----|------|-----------------------|
| | | M | C | P | |
| 58 | Did sample person ever serve in the Armed Forces of the United States? | | | | FQ B-11 |
| | 1 Yes | 413 | 27 | 141 | |
| | 2 No | 3125 | 874 | 1198 | |
| | 8 Blank but applicable | 7 | 2 | 9 | |
| | Blank | 10 | 4 | 5 | |
| 59 | During the past 2 weeks, did sample person work at any time at a job or business, not counting work around the house? | | | | FQ B-12 |
| | 1 Yes | 2028 | 581 | 566 | |
| | 2 No | 1507 | 317 | 767 | |
| | 8 Blank but applicable | 10 | 5 | 15 | |
| | Blank | 10 | 4 | 5 | |
| 60 | Even though sample person did not work during those 2 weeks, did he or she have a job or business? | | | | FQ B-13 |
| | 1 Yes | 44 | 12 | 21 | |
| | 2 No | 1462 | 303 | 743 | |
| | 8 Blank but applicable | 11 | 7 | 18 | |
| | Blank | 2038 | 585 | 571 | |
| 61 | Was sample person looking for work or on layoff from a job? | | | | FQ B-14 |
| | 1 Yes | 200 | 39 | 51 | |
| | 2 No | 1306 | 276 | 713 | |
| | 8 Blank but applicable | 11 | 7 | 18 | |
| | Blank | 2038 | 585 | 571 | |
| 62 | Which, looking for work or on layoff from a job or both? | | | | FQ B-15 |
| | 1 Looking | 131 | 30 | 35 | |
| | 2 Layoff | 45 | 6 | 8 | |
| | 3 Both | 22 | 2 | 7 | |
| | 8 Blank but applicable | 13 | 8 | 19 | |
| | Blank | 3344 | 861 | 1284 | |
| 63-65 | What kind of business or industry does sample person work for? | | | | FQ B-19 See Note 9 |
| | 010-932 Industry code | 2238 | 621 | 628 | |
| | 990 Blank but applicable | 31 | 10 | 21 | |
| | Blank | 1286 | 276 | 704 | |
| 66-68 | What kind of work was sample person doing? | | | | FQ B-20 See Note 9 |
| | 003-889 Occupation code | 2240 | 622 | 628 | |
| | 999 Blank but applicable | 29 | 9 | 21 | |
| | Blank | 1286 | 276 | 704 | |
| 69 | Class of worker | | | | FQ B-22 |
| | 1 An employee of a private company, business or individual for wages, salary, or commission | 1742 | 502 | 501 | |
| | 2 A Federal government employee | 72 | 6 | 18 | |
| | 3 A State government employee | 119 | 18 | 17 | |

| Position | Item Description and Code | C o u n t s | | | Source and Notes |
|----------|--|-------------|-----|------|---------------------|
| | | M | C | P | |
| 69 | Class of worker (Cont'd) | | | | FQ B-22 |
| | 4 A Local government employee | 163 | 16 | 56 | |
| | 5 Self-employed in own incorporated business or professional practice | 17 | 12 | 7 | |
| | 6 Self-employed in own unincorporated business, professional practice or farm | 125 | 66 | 26 | |
| | 7 Working without pay in family business or farm | 1 | 0 | 0 | |
| | 8 Blank but applicable | 29 | 10 | 23 | |
| | 0 Never worked or never worked at a full-time civilian job lasting 2 weeks or more | 1 | 1 | 1 | |
| | Blank | 1286 | 276 | 704 | |
| 70 | Is sample person now covered by Medicare? | | | | FQ C-2 |
| | 1 Covered | 258 | 103 | 109 | |
| | 2 Not covered | 3279 | 796 | 1234 | |
| | 8 Blank but applicable | 5 | 3 | 5 | |
| | 9 Don't know | 3 | 1 | 0 | |
| | Blank | 10 | 4 | 5 | |
| 71 | Is sample person now covered by the part of Social Security Medicare which pays for hospital bills? | | | | FQ C-3 |
| | 1 Yes | 230 | 96 | 100 | |
| | 2 No | 13 | 4 | 4 | |
| | 8 Blank but applicable | 14 | 3 | 10 | |
| | 9 Don't know | 6 | 3 | 0 | |
| | Blank | 3292 | 801 | 1239 | |
| 72 | Is sample person now covered by that part of Medicare which pays for doctor's bills? This is the Medicare plan for which he or she or some agency must pay a certain amount each month. | | | | FQ C-4 |
| | 1 Yes | 227 | 98 | 92 | |
| | 2 No | 14 | 3 | 11 | |
| | 8 Blank but applicable | 14 | 3 | 10 | |
| | 9 Don't know | 8 | 2 | 1 | |
| | Blank | 3292 | 801 | 1239 | |
| 73 | Type of Medicare coverage As shown on Medicare card | | | | FQ C-5 |
| | 2 Medical | 2 | 0 | 0 | |
| | 3 Card not available | 3 | 0 | 1 | |
| | 4 Hospital and medical | 5 | 3 | 0 | |
| | 8 Blank but applicable | 14 | 3 | 10 | |
| | Blank | 3531 | 901 | 1342 | |

| Position | Item Description and Code | C o u n t s | | | Source and Notes |
|----------|---|-------------|-----|-----|---------------------------|
| | | M | C | P | |
| | <u>HEALTH INSURANCE</u> | | | | See Note 10 |
| 74 | Is sample person covered by any health insurance plan which pays any part of a hospital, doctor's, or surgeon's bill? | | | | FQ C-11 |
| | 1. Yes | 2009 | 556 | 560 | |
| | 2 No | 1526 | 343 | 779 | |
| | 8 Blank but applicable | 6 | 4 | 9 | |
| | 9 Don't know | 4 | 0 | 0 | |
| | Blank | 10 | 4 | 5 | |
| 75 | Is sample person covered by a plan that pays any part of hospital expenses? | | | | FQ C-9 |
| | 1 Yes | 1979 | 550 | 525 | |
| | 2 No | 3 | 3 | 4 | |
| | 8 Blank but applicable | 27 | 7 | 35 | |
| | 9 Don't know | 6 | 0 | 5 | |
| | Blank | 1540 | 347 | 784 | |
| 76 | Is sample person covered by a plan that pays any part of a doctor's or surgeon's bills for operations? | | | | FQ C-10 |
| | 1 Yes | 1982 | 546 | 523 | |
| | 2 No | 9 | 7 | 17 | |
| | 8 Blank but applicable | 15 | 7 | 20 | |
| | 9 Don't know | 9 | 0 | 9 | |
| | Blank | 1540 | 347 | 784 | |
| | Many people do not carry health insurance for various reasons. Which of these statements describes why sample person is not covered by any health insurance (or Medicare)? (Positions 77-80) | | | | FQ C-13/15 See Note 10 |
| 77-78 | <u>Main reason</u> | | | | |
| | 01 Care received through Medicaid or welfare | 79 | 14 | 289 | |
| | 02 Unemployed, or reasons related to unemployment | 180 | 29 | 68 | |
| | 03 Can't obtain insurance because of poor health, illness, or age | 17 | 2 | 9 | |
| | 04 Too expensive, can't afford health insurance | 756 | 163 | 226 | |
| | 05 Dissatisfied with previous insurance | 23 | 2 | 2 | |
| | 06 Don't believe in insurance | 14 | 3 | 4 | |
| | 07 Have been healthy, not much sickness in the family, haven't needed health insurance | 94 | 15 | 13 | |
| | 08 Military dependent, (CHAMPUS), Veteran's benefits | 20 | 1 | 11 | |
| | 09 Some other reason--not specified | 1 | 0 | 2 | |
| | 10 Some other reason--specified | 112 | 19 | 37 | |
| | 88 Blank but applicable | 49 | 23 | 29 | |
| | Blank | 2210 | 636 | 663 | |

| Position | Item Description and Code | C o u n t s | | | Source and Notes |
|----------|--|-------------|-----|------|---------------------|
| | | M | C | P | |
| 79-80 | <u>Second reason</u> | | | | |
| | 00 No second reason reported | 1102 | 199 | 564 | |
| | 01 Care received through Medicaid or welfare | 25 | 10 | 23 | |
| | 02 Unemployed, or reasons related to unemployment | 46 | 16 | 12 | |
| | 03 Can't obtain insurance because of poor health, illness, or age | 3 | 1 | 2 | |
| | 04 Too expensive, can't afford health insurance | 81 | 14 | 56 | |
| | 05 Dissatisfied with previous insurance | 8 | 1 | 2 | |
| | 06 Don't believe in insurance | 7 | 1 | 1 | |
| | 07 Have been healthy, not much sickness in the family, haven't needed health insurance | 21 | 4 | 3 | |
| | 08 Military dependent, (CHAMPUS), Veteran's benefits | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| | 09 Some other reason--not specified | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| | 10 Some other reason--specified | 13 | 6 | 2 | |
| | 88 Blank but applicable | 39 | 19 | 25 | |
| | Blank | 2210 | 636 | 663 | |
| 81-87 | Blank | | | | |
| 88 | During the last 12 months, has sample person received health care which has been or will be paid for by Medicaid? | | | | FQ D-6 |
| | 1 Yes | 195 | 66 | 385 | |
| | 2 No | 3328 | 832 | 949 | |
| | 8 Blank but applicable | 22 | 5 | 14 | |
| | 9 Don't know | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| | Blank | 10 | 4 | 5 | |
| 89 | Does sample person have a Medicaid card? | | | | FQ D-8 |
| | 1 Yes | 198 | 67 | 403 | |
| | 2 No | 3329 | 825 | 931 | |
| | 8 Blank but applicable | 18 | 11 | 14 | |
| | 9 Don't know | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| | Blank | 10 | 4 | 5 | |
| 90 | Status of sample person's Medicaid card. | | | | FQ D-9 |
| | 1 Medicaid card seen--current | 148 | 52 | 285 | |
| | 2 Medicaid card seen--expired | 2 | 0 | 5 | |
| | 3 No card seen | 43 | 13 | 103 | |
| | 4 Other card seen | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| | 5 Other card seen (specify) | 3 | 0 | 1 | |
| | 8 Blank but applicable | 20 | 13 | 23 | |
| | Blank | 3339 | 829 | 936 | |
| 91 | Is sample person now covered by any other public assistance program that pays for health care? | | | | FQ D-11 |
| | 1 Yes | 12 | 2 | 12 | |
| | 2 No | 3527 | 900 | 1331 | |
| | 8 Blank but applicable | 6 | 1 | 5 | |
| | 9 Don't know | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| | Blank | 10 | 4 | 5 | |

| Position | Item Description and Code | C o u n t s | | | Source and Notes |
|----------|---|-------------|-----|------|---------------------|
| | | M | C | P | |
| 92 | Does sample person now receive military retirement payments from any branch of the Armed Forces or a pension from the Veteran's Administration? Do not include VA disability compensation. | | | | FQ D-13 |
| | 1 Yes | 45 | 2 | 9 | |
| | 2 No | 3492 | 900 | 1335 | |
| | 8 Blank but applicable | 8 | 1 | 4 | |
| | 9 Don't know | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| | Blank | 10 | 4 | 5 | |
| 93 | Which does sample person receive: the Armed Forces retirement, the VA pension, or both? | | | | FQ D-14 |
| | 1 Armed Forces | 12 | 0 | 2 | |
| | 2 Veteran's Administration | 24 | 0 | 5 | |
| | 3 Both | 4 | 2 | 1 | |
| | 8 Blank but applicable | 13 | 1 | 5 | |
| | Blank | 3502 | 904 | 1340 | |
| 94 | Is sample person now covered by CHAMP-VA, which is medical insurance for dependents or survivors of disabled veterans? | | | | FQ D-16 |
| | 1 Yes | 20 | 2 | 6 | |
| | 2 No | 3520 | 900 | 1340 | |
| | 8 Blank but applicable | 5 | 1 | 2 | |
| | 9 Don't know | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| | Blank | 10 | 4 | 5 | |
| 95 | Is sample person now covered by any other program that provides health care for military dependents or survivors of military persons? | | | | FQ D-18 |
| | 1 Yes | 20 | 1 | 5 | |
| | 2 No | 3518 | 901 | 1336 | |
| | 8 Blank but applicable | 7 | 1 | 7 | |
| | 9 Don't know | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| | Blank | 10 | 4 | 5 | |
| 96 | Is sample person included in the AFDC, "Aid to Families with Dependent Children", assistance program? | | | | FQ D-2 |
| | 1 Yes | 87 | 15 | 182 | |
| | 2 No | 3448 | 885 | 1153 | |
| | 8 Blank but applicable | 10 | 2 | 12 | |
| | 9 Don't know | 0 | 1 | 1 | |
| | Blank | 10 | 4 | 5 | |
| 97 | Does sample person now receive the "Supplemental Security Income" or "SSI" gold-colored check? | | | | FQ D-4 |
| | 1 Yes | 92 | 43 | 91 | |
| | 2 No | 3441 | 852 | 1247 | |
| | 8 Blank but applicable | 12 | 8 | 10 | |
| | 9 Don't know | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| | Blank | 10 | 4 | 5 | |

| Position | Item Description and Code | C o u n t s | | | Source and Notes |
|----------|---|-------------|-----|------|---------------------|
| | | M | C | P | |
| 98 | Does sample person have a disability related to his or her service in the Armed Forces of the United States? | | | | FQ D-20 |
| | 1 Yes | 48 | 2 | 14 | |
| | 2 No | 343 | 20 | 106 | |
| | 8 Blank but applicable | 29 | 7 | 30 | |
| | Blank | 3135 | 878 | 1203 | |
| 99 | Does sample person now receive compensation for this disability from the Veteran's Administration? | | | | FQ D-21 |
| | 1 Yes | 31 | 1 | 9 | |
| | 2 No | 17 | 1 | 4 | |
| | 8 Blank but applicable | 29 | 7 | 31 | |
| | Blank | 3478 | 898 | 1309 | |

SECTION F. SOCIODEMOGRAPHIC DATA - HEAD OF FAMILY (POS 100-131)

Source: Family Questionnaire (FQ)
Household Screener Questionnaire (HSQ)

| Position | Item Description and Code | C o u n t s | | | Source and Notes |
|----------|---|-------------|-----|------|----------------------|
| | | M | C | P | |
| 100 | Interview and examination status of head of family | | | | See Note 4 |
| | 1 Selected as sample person, interviewed on Adult Sample Person Questionnaire, and examined | 3158 | 764 | 1266 | |
| | 2 Selected as sample person, interviewed on Adult Sample Person Questionnaire, but not examined | 120 | 32 | 30 | |
| | 3 Selected as sample person, not interviewed, and not examined | 98 | 21 | 5 | |
| | 4 Not selected as sample person | 169 | 86 | 47 | |
| | Blank | 10 | 4 | 5 | |
| 101 | Blank | | | | |
| | Date of birth | | | | HSQ 2e |
| 102-103 | 01-12 Month | 3535 | 902 | 1352 | |
| | 88 Blank but applicable | 0 | 5 | 1 | |
| 104-105 | 00-86, 89-99 Year | 3545 | 904 | 1352 | |
| | 88 Blank but applicable | 10 | 3 | 1 | |
| 106-107 | Age at interview | | | | |
| | 18-95 Years | 3555 | 907 | 1353 | |
| 108 | Blank | | | | |
| 109 | Sex | | | | FQ B-4 |
| | 1 Male | 2939 | 719 | 768 | |
| | 2 Female | 606 | 184 | 580 | |
| | Blank | 10 | 4 | 5 | |
| 110 | Observed race | | | | FQ B-5 See Note 5 |
| | 1 White | 3417 | 862 | 1218 | |
| | 2 Black | 35 | 17 | 67 | |
| | 3 Other | 4 | 2 | 22 | |
| | 8 Blank but applicable | 54 | 18 | 29 | |
| | 9 Not observed | 35 | 4 | 12 | |
| | Blank | 10 | 4 | 5 | |
| 111-112 | Head of family's national origin or ancestry. | | | | HSQ 2c See Note 6 |
| | 01 Mexican-Mexicano | 948 | 0 | 2 | |
| | 02 Mexican-American | 2180 | 0 | 0 | |
| | 03 Chicano | 46 | 0 | 0 | |
| | 04 Puerto Rican | 9 | 5 | 1198 | |
| | 05 Boricuan | 0 | 0 | 14 | |
| | 06 Cuban | 4 | 801 | 22 | |
| | 07 Cuban-American | 0 | 58 | 0 | |
| | 08 Hispano--specify | 65 | 14 | 16 | |
| | 09 Other Latin-American or other Spanish--specify | 24 | 11 | 16 | |
| | 00 Other--specify | 254 | 18 | 85 | |
| | 10 Spanish-American | 11 | 0 | 0 | |
| | 11 Spanish (Spain) | 14 | 0 | 0 | |

| Position | Item Description and Code | C o u n t s | | | Source and Notes |
|----------|---|-------------|-----|------|----------------------|
| | | M | C | P | |
| 113-115 | In what state or foreign country was head of family born? | | | | FQ B-6 See Note 7 |
| | 001-118 State/country code | 3509 | 893 | 1320 | |
| | 888 Blank but applicable | 36 | 10 | 28 | |
| | Blank | 10 | 4 | 5 | |
| 116-117 | What is the highest grade or year of regular school head of family has ever attend? | | | | FQ B-7 |
| | 00 Never attended or kindergarten only | 138 | 4 | 17 | |
| | 01-08 Elementary grade | 1406 | 350 | 482 | |
| | 09-12 High school grade | 1323 | 256 | 630 | |
| | 13-16 College | 515 | 236 | 175 | |
| | 17 Graduate school | 88 | 41 | 24 | |
| | 88 Blank but applicable | 75 | 16 | 20 | |
| | Blank | 10 | 4 | 5 | |
| 118 | Did head of family finish that grade/year? | | | | FQ B-8 |
| | 1 Yes | 2733 | 788 | 1083 | |
| | 2 No | 603 | 90 | 216 | |
| | 8 Blank but applicable | 71 | 21 | 32 | |
| | Blank | 148 | 8 | 22 | |
| 119 | Is the head of family now married, widowed, divorced, separated or has he or she never been married? | | | | FQ B-9 |
| | 1 Married--spouse in household | 2741 | 694 | 710 | |
| | 2 Married--spouse not in household | 56 | 7 | 48 | |
| | 3 Widowed | 179 | 41 | 70 | |
| | 4 Divorced | 198 | 94 | 156 | |
| | 5 Separated | 143 | 14 | 178 | |
| | 6 Never married | 189 | 46 | 183 | |
| | 8 Blank but applicable | 39 | 7 | 3 | |
| | Blank | 10 | 4 | 5 | |
| 120 | Did head of family ever serve in the Armed Forces of the United States? | | | | FQ B-11 |
| | 1 Yes | 780 | 38 | 239 | |
| | 2 No | 2730 | 854 | 1096 | |
| | 8 Blank but applicable | 35 | 11 | 13 | |
| | Blank | 10 | 4 | 5 | |
| 121 | During the past 2 weeks, did head of family work at any time at a job or business, not counting work around the house? | | | | FQ B-12 |
| | 1 Yes | 2529 | 661 | 699 | |
| | 2 No | 986 | 230 | 638 | |
| | 8 Blank but applicable | 30 | 12 | 11 | |
| | Blank | 10 | 4 | 5 | |

| Position | Item Description and Code | C o u n t s | | | Source and Notes |
|----------|--|-------------|-----|------|-----------------------|
| | | M | C | P | |
| 122 | Even though head of family did not work during those 2 weeks, did he or she have a job or business? | | | | FQ B-13 |
| | 1 Yes | 52 | 14 | 15 | |
| | 2 No | 934 | 216 | 623 | |
| | 8 Blank but applicable | 30 | 12 | 11 | |
| | Blank | 2539 | 665 | 704 | |
| 123 | Was head of family looking for work or on layoff from a job? | | | | FQ B-14 |
| | 1 Yes | 220 | 46 | 54 | |
| | 2 No | 766 | 184 | 583 | |
| | 8 Blank but applicable | 30 | 12 | 12 | |
| | Blank | 2539 | 665 | 704 | |
| 124 | Which, looking for work or on layoff from a job or both? | | | | FQ B-15 |
| | 1 Looking | 115 | 31 | 32 | |
| | 2 Layoff | 63 | 9 | 10 | |
| | 3 Both | 40 | 3 | 9 | |
| | 8 Blank but applicable | 32 | 15 | 15 | |
| | Blank | 3305 | 849 | 1287 | |
| 125-127 | What kind of business or industry does head of family work for? | | | | FQ B-19 See Note 9 |
| | 010-932 Industry code | 2769 | 705 | 752 | |
| | 990 Blank but applicable | 49 | 15 | 22 | |
| | Blank | 737 | 187 | 579 | |
| 128-130 | What kind of work was head of family doing? | | | | FQ B-20 See Note 9 |
| | 003-889 Occupation code | 2771 | 705 | 750 | |
| | 999 Blank but applicable | 47 | 15 | 24 | |
| | Blank | 737 | 187 | 579 | |
| 131 | Class of worker | | | | FQ B-22 |
| | 1 Employee of a private company, business or individual for wages, salary, or commission | 2155 | 543 | 567 | |
| | 2 A Federal government employee | 98 | 3 | 24 | |
| | 3 A State government employee | 118 | 11 | 29 | |
| | 4 A Local government employee | 180 | 19 | 90 | |
| | 5 Self-employed in own incorporated business or professional practice | 26 | 19 | 10 | |
| | 6 Self-employed in own unincorporated business, professional practice, or farm | 201 | 108 | 32 | |
| | 7 Working without pay in family business or farm | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| | 8 Blank but applicable | 39 | 17 | 21 | |
| | 0 Never worked or never worked at a full-time civilian job lasting 2 weeks or more | 1 | 0 | 1 | |
| | Blank | 737 | 187 | 579 | |

SECTION G. FAMILY COMPOSITION AND INCOME DATA (POS 132-162)

Source: Family Questionnaire (FQ)

| Position | Item Description and Code | C o u n t s | | | Source and Notes |
|----------|---|-------------|-----|------|---------------------|
| | | M | C | P | |
| 132-133 | Number of persons in family (computed) 01-18 Persons | 3555 | 907 | 1353 | |
| 134-135 | Number of sample persons in family (computed) 01-13 Persons | 3555 | 907 | 1353 | |
| 136 | Was the total combined family income during the past 12 months more or less than \$20,000? Include money from jobs, Social Security, retirement income, unemployment payments, public assistance, and so forth. Also include income net from interest, dividends, income from business, farm or rent, and any other money income received. | | | | FQ E-10 |
| | 1 \$20,000 or more | 1195 | 361 | 326 | |
| | 2 Less than \$20,000 | 2233 | 526 | 1000 | |
| | 7 Refused information | 18 | 1 | 5 | |
| | 8 Blank but applicable | 99 | 15 | 17 | |
| | Blank | 10 | 4 | 5 | |
| 137-138 | Of those income groups, which best represents the total combined family income during the past 12 months? Include wages, salaries, and other items we just talked about (in dollars). | | | | FQ E-11 |
| | 01 Less than 1,000 | 22 | 7 | 4 | |
| | 02 1,000 - 1,999 | 46 | 6 | 15 | |
| | 03 2,000 - 2,999 | 51 | 14 | 34 | |
| | 04 3,000 - 3,999 | 82 | 20 | 55 | |
| | 05 4,000 - 4,999 | 97 | 21 | 126 | |
| | 06 5,000 - 5,999 | 117 | 32 | 75 | |
| | 07 6,000 - 6,999 | 143 | 26 | 82 | |
| | 08 7,000 - 7,999 | 146 | 31 | 68 | |
| | 09 8,000 - 8,999 | 118 | 26 | 45 | |
| | 10 9,000 - 9,999 | 126 | 33 | 56 | |
| | 11 10,000 - 10,999 | 132 | 46 | 59 | |
| | 12 11,000 - 11,999 | 109 | 31 | 33 | |
| | 13 12,000 - 12,999 | 143 | 39 | 53 | |
| | 14 13,000 - 13,999 | 90 | 21 | 29 | |
| | 15 14,000 - 14,999 | 111 | 17 | 32 | |
| | 16 15,000 - 15,999 | 99 | 23 | 41 | |
| | 17 16,000 - 16,999 | 95 | 22 | 31 | |
| | 18 17,000 - 17,999 | 104 | 21 | 32 | |
| | 19 18,000 - 18,999 | 147 | 20 | 45 | |
| | 20 19,000 - 19,999 | 116 | 34 | 46 | |
| | 21 20,000 - 24,999 | 336 | 101 | 79 | |
| | 22 25,000 - 29,999 | 293 | 61 | 68 | |
| | 23 30,000 - 34,999 | 163 | 44 | 51 | |
| | 24 35,000 - 39,999 | 145 | 48 | 31 | |
| | 25 40,000 - 44,999 | 107 | 32 | 22 | |
| | 26 45,000 - 49,999 | 52 | 27 | 21 | |
| | 27 50,000 and over | 54 | 34 | 31 | |
| | 77 Refused information | 41 | 9 | 25 | |
| | 88 Blank but applicable | 260 | 57 | 59 | |
| | Blank | 10 | 4 | 5 | |

| Position | Item Description and Code | C o u n t s | | | Source and Notes |
|----------|---|-------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|
| | | M | C | P | |
| 139-143 | Per capita income (computed) 00083-50000 Dollars 88888 Blank but applicable Blank | 3244 301 10 | 837 66 4 | 1264 84 5 | See Note 11 |
| 144-146 | Poverty index (computed) Decimal not shown on tape 0.04-9.78 999 Blank but applicable Blank | 3244 301 10 | 837 66 4 | 1264 84 5 | See Note 12 |
| 147 | Did any member of this family receive any Government food stamps in any of the past 12 months? 1 Yes 2 No 8 Blank but applicable Blank | 619 2921 5 10 | 149 752 2 4 | 506 840 2 5 | FQ E-12 |
| 148-149 | In how many months of the past 12 months did any member of this family receive food stamps? 01-12 Months 88 Blank but applicable Blank | 613 11 2931 | 149 2 756 | 504 4 845 | FQ E-13 |
| 150 | Did this family receive any govern- ment food stamps last month? 1 Yes 2 No 8 Blank but applicable Blank | 502 116 6 2931 | 120 29 2 756 | 481 25 2 845 | FQ E-14 |
| 151-152 | In which month did any member of this family last receive food stamps? 01-12 Month 88 Blank but applicable Blank | 114 8 3433 | 29 2 876 | 25 2 1326 | FQ E-15 |
| 153-154 | For how many persons were those food stamps authorized? 01-13 Persons 88 Blank but applicable Blank | 614 10 2931 | 149 2 756 | 505 3 845 | FQ E-16 |
| 155-157 | What was the total face value of those food stamps received by this family in that month? 010-520 Dollars 888 Blank but applicable Blank | 585 39 2931 | 147 4 756 | 499 9 845 | FQ E-17 |

| Position | Item Description and Code | C o u n t s | | | Source and Notes |
|----------|--|-------------|-----|-----|---------------------|
| | | M | C | P | |
| 158 | Did this family spend more for food in that month than the value of your food stamps? | | | | FQ E-18 |
| | 1 Yes | 539 | 128 | 492 | |
| | 2 No | 74 | 21 | 14 | |
| | 8 Blank but applicable | 11 | 2 | 2 | |
| | Blank | 2931 | 756 | 845 | |
| 159-161 | How much more? | | | | FQ E-19 |
| | 003-880 Dollars | 501 | 120 | 482 | |
| | 888 Blank but applicable | 49 | 10 | 12 | |
| | Blank | 3005 | 777 | 859 | |
| 162 | Is your family receiving food stamps at the present time? | | | | FQ E-20 |
| | 1 Yes | 474 | 116 | 473 | |
| | 2 No | 3061 | 783 | 869 | |
| | 8 Blank but applicable | 10 | 4 | 6 | |
| | Blank | 10 | 4 | 5 | |

SECTION H. RESIDENCE AND HOUSEHOLD DATA (POS 163-183)

Source: Family Questionnaire (FQ)
Household Screener Questionnaire (HSQ)

| Position | Item Description and Code | C o u n t s | | | Source and Notes |
|----------|---|-------------|-----|------|-----------------------|
| | | M | C | P | |
| 163 | Size of place | | | | See Note 13 |
| | 1 1 million or more | 484 | 0 | 1009 | |
| | 2 500,000 - 999,999 | 423 | 0 | 0 | |
| | 3 250,000 - 499,999 | 450 | 334 | 0 | |
| | 4 100,000 - 249,999 | 91 | 235 | 155 | |
| | 5 50,000 - 99,999 | 568 | 49 | 32 | |
| | 6 25,000 - 49,999 | 386 | 131 | 98 | |
| | 7 10,000 - 24,999 | 352 | 76 | 46 | |
| | 8 200 - 9,999 | 491 | 52 | 13 | |
| | 9 Not in a place | 310 | 30 | 0 | |
| 164 | Standard Metropolitan Statistical Area | | | | See Note 13 |
| | 1 In SMSA, in central city | 1771 | 334 | 1173 | |
| | 2 In SMSA, not in central city | 1332 | 573 | 180 | |
| | 4 Not in SMSA | 452 | 0 | 0 | |
| 165-166 | Number of persons in household | | | | HSQ 1a |
| | 01-18 Persons | 3555 | 907 | 1353 | |
| 167-168 | Number of sample persons in household | | | | |
| | (computed) | | | | |
| | 01-13 Persons | 3555 | 907 | 1353 | |
| 169-170 | How many rooms are in this home? Count the kitchen, but not the bathroom. | | | | FQ E-1 |
| | 01-14 Rooms | 3541 | 902 | 1346 | |
| | 88 Blank but applicable | 4 | 1 | 2 | |
| | Blank | 10 | 4 | 5 | |
| 171 | Do you have access to complete kitchen facilities in this home; that is, a kitchen sink with piped water, a refrigerator and a range or cookstove? | | | | FQ E-2 |
| | 1 Yes | 3397 | 879 | 1213 | |
| | 2 No | 40 | 7 | 8 | |
| | 8 Blank but applicable | 108 | 17 | 127 | |
| | Blank | 10 | 4 | 5 | |
| 172-173 | What is the main fuel used for heating this home? | | | | FQ E-3 See Note 14 |
| | 00 No fuel used | 214 | 164 | 5 | |
| | 01 Oil | 2 | 0 | 940 | |
| | 02 Natural gas | 2888 | 45 | 362 | |
| | 03 Electricity | 277 | 682 | 15 | |
| | 04 Bottled gas (propane) | 85 | 2 | 0 | |
| | 05 Kerosene | 7 | 2 | 0 | |
| | 06 Wood | 45 | 3 | 0 | |
| | 07 Coal | 0 | 0 | 6 | |
| | 08 Other, not specified | 0 | 0 | 1 | |
| | 09 Other, specified | 6 | 0 | 2 | |
| | 88 Blank but applicable | 21 | 5 | 17 | |
| | Blank | 10 | 4 | 5 | |

| Position | Item Description and Code | C o u n t s | | | Source and Notes |
|----------|--|-------------|-----|------|-----------------------|
| | | M | C | P | |
| 174-175 | What is the main heating equipment for this home? | | | | FQ E-4 See Note 14 |
| | 00 No heating equipment used | 214 | 164 | 6 | |
| | 01 Steam or hot water with radiators or convectors | 19 | 4 | 686 | |
| | 02 Central warm air furnace with ducts to individual rooms, or central heat pump | 1296 | 340 | 96 | |
| | 03 Built-in electric units (permanently in- stalled in wall, ceiling or baseboard) | 219 | 219 | 32 | |
| | 04 Floor, wall or pipeless furnace | 783 | 30 | 12 | |
| | 05 Room heaters <u>with</u> flue or vent burning oil, gas, or kerosene | 403 | 12 | 301 | |
| | 06 Room heaters <u>without</u> flue or vent burning oil, gas, or kerosene | 406 | 4 | 189 | |
| | 07 Heating stove burning wood, coal or coke | 37 | 0 | 2 | |
| | 08 Fireplace(s) | 37 | 4 | 0 | |
| | 09 Portable electric heater(s) | 68 | 95 | 2 | |
| | 10 Other, not specified | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| | 11 Other, specified | 53 | 26 | 7 | |
| | 88 Blank but applicable | 1 | 5 | 8 | |
| | 99 Don't know | 9 | 0 | 7 | |
| | Blank | 10 | 4 | 5 | |
| 176-177 | Are any other types of equipment used for heating this home? | | | | FQ E-5 See Note 14 |
| | 00 No other heating equipment used | 2877 | 707 | 1132 | |
| | 01 Steam or hot water with radiators or convectors | 0 | 0 | 3 | |
| | 02 Central warm air furnace with ducts to individual rooms or central heat pump | 5 | 9 | 5 | |
| | 03 Built-in electric units (permanently installed in wall, ceiling or baseboard) | 16 | 0 | 1 | |
| | 04 Floor, wall or pipeless furnace | 5 | 0 | 0 | |
| | 05 Room heaters <u>with</u> flue or vent burning oil, gas, or kerosene | 12 | 0 | 0 | |
| | 06 Room heaters <u>without</u> flue or vent burning oil, gas, or kerosene | 15 | 1 | 16 | |
| | 07 Heating stove burning wood, coal or coke | 42 | 0 | 5 | |
| | 08 Fireplace(s) | 239 | 5 | 4 | |
| | 09 Portable electric heater(s) | 95 | 14 | 166 | |
| | 10 Other, not specified | 4 | 1 | 0 | |
| | 11 Other, specified | 10 | 1 | 1 | |
| | 88 Blank but applicable | 15 | 1 | 9 | |
| | Blank | 224 | 168 | 11 | |
| 178-179 | What is the main fuel used by this additional equipment? | | | | FQ E-6 See Note 14 |
| | 00 No fuel used | 1 | 0 | 1 | |
| | 01 Oil | 0 | 0 | 9 | |
| | 02 Natural gas | 51 | 1 | 10 | |
| | 03 Electricity | 116 | 24 | 162 | |
| | 04 Bottled gas (propane) | 6 | 0 | 1 | |

| Position | Item Description and Code | C o u n t s | | | Source and Notes |
|----------|---|-------------|-----|------|-----------------------|
| | | M | C | P | |
| 178-179 | What is the main fuel used by this additional equipment? (Cont'd) | | | | FQ E-6 See Note 14 |
| | 05 Kerosene | 2 | 0 | 14 | |
| | 06 Wood | 250 | 5 | 6 | |
| | 07 Coal | 2 | 0 | 0 | |
| | 08 Other, not specified | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| | 09 Other, specified | 5 | 0 | 0 | |
| | 88 Blank but applicable | 21 | 2 | 7 | |
| | Blank | 3101 | 875 | 1143 | |
| 180-181 | What is the main fuel used for cooking in this home? | | | | FQ E-7 |
| | 00 No fuel used | 10 | 4 | 2 | |
| | 01 Oil | 5 | 0 | 9 | |
| | 02 Natural gas | 2789 | 163 | 1236 | |
| | 03 Electricity | 639 | 726 | 78 | |
| | 04 Bottled gas (propane) | 85 | 7 | 7 | |
| | 05 Kerosene | 0 | 0 | 3 | |
| | 06 Wood | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| | 07 Coal | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| | 08 Other, not specified | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| | 09 Other, specified | 8 | 1 | 0 | |
| | 88 Blank but applicable | 9 | 2 | 13 | |
| | Blank | 10 | 4 | 5 | |
| 182 | Do you have air-conditioning--either individual room units, a central system or evaporative cooling? | | | | FQ E-8 |
| | 1 Yes | 1733 | 829 | 347 | |
| | 2 No | 1806 | 73 | 995 | |
| | 8 Blank but applicable | 6 | 1 | 6 | |
| | Blank | 10 | 4 | 5 | |
| 183 | Which do you have? | | | | FQ E-9 |
| | 1 Individual room unit | 779 | 411 | 328 | |
| | 2 Central air-conditioning | 603 | 410 | 10 | |
| | 3 Evaporative cooling | 349 | 3 | 4 | |
| | 8 Blank but applicable | 8 | 6 | 11 | |
| | Blank | 1816 | 77 | 1000 | |

SECTION I. SAMPLE WEIGHTS (POS 184-217)

| Position | Item Description and Code | C o u n t s | | | Source and Notes |
|--|---------------------------------|-------------|-----|------|---------------------|
| | | M | C | P | |
| 184-189 | Examined final weight | | | | |
| | 000439-002711 | 3555 | - | - | |
| | 000248-000891 | - | 907 | - | |
| | 000177-002000 | - | - | 1353 | |
| 190-195 | Interview final weight | | | | |
| | 000447-002096 | 3555 | - | - | |
| | 000207-000578 | - | 907 | - | |
| | 000175-001220 | - | - | 1353 | |
| | | | | | |
| GTT/ULTRASOUND, AUDIOMETRY/VISION, PESTICIDE WEIGHTS | | | | | |
| By design, only some of the persons in the sample were included in the GTT/ultrasound, audiometry/vision, and pesticide components of the survey. Tape positions for those persons not part of these subsamples are BLANK. | | | | | |
| 196-201 | GTT/ultrasound weight | | | | |
| | 000843-005302 | 1777 | - | - | |
| | 000469-001685 | - | 449 | - | |
| | 000349-003110 | - | - | 667 | |
| | Blank | 1778 | 458 | 686 | |
| 202-207 | Audiometry/vision weight | | | | |
| | 000870-006283 | 1778 | - | - | |
| | 000454-001600 | - | 458 | - | |
| | 000343-003123 | - | - | 686 | |
| | Blank | 1777 | 449 | 667 | |
| 208-213 | Pesticide Weight | | | | |
| | 000872-005584 | 1778 | - | - | |
| | 000454-001600 | - | 458 | - | |
| | 000343-003117 | - | - | 686 | |
| | Blank | 1777 | 449 | 667 | |
| 214-215 | Strata code | | | | |
| | 01-08 | 3555 | 907 | 1353 | |
| 216-217 | Pseudo PSU code | | | | |
| | 01-02 | 3555 | 907 | 1353 | |

SECTION J. FAMILY RELATIONSHIPS (POS 218-400)

Source: Adult Sample Person Questionnaire
Family Questionnaire

| Position | Item Description and Code | C o u n t s | | | Source and Notes |
|----------|---|-------------|---|---|---------------------|
| | | M | C | P | |
| 218-400 | Blank Data not yet available. | | | | |

SECTION K. CONVENTIONAL 12-LEAD ECG DATA (POS 401-1017)

Source: Measurement and interpretation of digital ECG

| Position | Item Description and Code | C o u n t s | | | Source and Notes |
|----------|---|-------------|-----|------|---------------------|
| | | M | C | P | |
| 401-404 | Tape Number | | | | |
| | 6540 | 3555 | 907 | 1353 | |
| 405-409 | Blank | | | | |
| | Summary of Presence/Absence of Major and Minor ECG abnormalities according to the Minnesota Code as coded by the Dalhousie Program (positions 410-411) | | | | See Note 15 |
| 410 | Major ECG abnormalities | | | | |
| | 1 Present | 298 | 75 | 114 | |
| | 0 Absent | 3234 | 820 | 1224 | |
| | Blank | 23 | 12 | 15 | |
| 411 | Minor ECG abnormalities | | | | |
| | 1 Present | 529 | 163 | 288 | |
| | 0 Absent | 3003 | 732 | 1050 | |
| | Blank | 23 | 12 | 15 | |
| | Likelihood of Myocardial Infarction according to the Minnesota Code (positions 412-413) | | | | See Note 16 |
| 412 | Probable MI - Diagnostic Q Waves | | | | |
| | 1 Present | 72 | 14 | 21 | |
| | 0 Absent | 3460 | 881 | 1317 | |
| | Blank | 23 | 12 | 15 | |
| 413 | Possible MI - Equivocal Q Waves or related abnormalities | | | | |
| | 1 Present | 43 | 12 | 15 | |
| | 0 Absent | 3489 | 883 | 1323 | |
| | Blank | 23 | 12 | 15 | |
| | Likelihood of Left Ventricular Hypertrophy according to the Minnesota Code (positions 414-415) | | | | See Note 17 |
| 414 | Probable LVH | | | | |
| | 1 Present | 28 | 10 | 18 | |
| | 0 Absent | 3505 | 885 | 1320 | |
| | Blank | 23 | 12 | 15 | |
| 415 | Possible LVH | | | | |
| | 1 Present | 183 | 69 | 156 | |
| | 0 Absent | 3349 | 826 | 1182 | |
| | Blank | 23 | 12 | 15 | |

| Position | Item Description and Code | C o u n t s | | | Source and Notes |
|----------|------------------------------|-------------|---|---|---------------------|
| | | M | C | P | |

Minnesota Code (MC) Items Coded by Computer

See Appendix 1

MC 1 (Q, QS waves and related items)

See Note 18

| | | | | |
|---------|---------------------------------------|------|-----|------|
| 416-417 | MC 1 Leadgroup L(I, aVL, V6) | | | |
| | 1.0-1.3.1 | 3532 | 895 | 1338 |
| | Blank | 23 | 12 | 15 |
| 418-419 | MC 1 Leadgroup F(II, III, aVF) | | | |
| | 1.0-1.3.6 | 3532 | 895 | 1338 |
| | Blank | 23 | 12 | 15 |
| 420-421 | MC 1 Leadgroup V(V1-V5) | | | |
| | 1.0-1.3.2 | 3532 | 895 | 1338 |
| | Blank | 23 | 12 | 15 |

| | | | |
|------------------------------------|------|-----|------|
| Highest code 1.1 in any lead group | 8 | 4 | 7 |
| Highest code 1.2 | 68 | 9 | 21 |
| Highest code 1.3 | 35 | 11 | 7 |
| Highest code 1.0 | 3421 | 871 | 1303 |

MC 4 (ST depression)

See Note 19

| | | | | |
|---------|-------------------------|------|-----|------|
| 422-423 | MC 4 Leadgroup L | | | |
| | 4.0-4.4.0 | 3532 | 895 | 1338 |
| | Blank | 23 | 12 | 15 |
| 424-425 | MC 4 Leadgroup F | | | |
| | 4.0-4.4.0 | 3532 | 895 | 1338 |
| | Blank | 23 | 12 | 15 |
| 426-427 | MC 4 Leadgroup V | | | |
| | 4.0-4.4.0 | 3532 | 895 | 1338 |
| | Blank | 23 | 12 | 15 |

| | | | |
|------------------------------------|------|-----|------|
| Highest code 4.1 in any lead group | 3 | 3 | 4 |
| Highest code 4.2 | 33 | 14 | 10 |
| Highest code 4.3 | 19 | 5 | 3 |
| Highest code 4.4 | 9 | 2 | 2 |
| Highest code 4.0 | 3468 | 871 | 1319 |

| Position | Item Description and Code | C o u n t s | | | Source and Notes | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|--|------------------------------|-------------|------|------|---------------------|--------------------------------------|----|----|----|------------------|-----|----|----|------------------|-----|----|----|------------------|----|----|----|------------------|------|-----|------|
| | | M | C | P | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | MC 5 (T wave abnormalities) | | | | See Note 20 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 428 | MC 5 Leadgroup L | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | 5.0-5.4 | 3532 | 895 | 1338 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Blank | 23 | 12 | 15 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 429 | MC 5 Leadgroup F | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | 5.0-5.4 | 3532 | 895 | 1338 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Blank | 23 | 12 | 15 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 430 | MC 5 Leadgroup V | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | 5.0-5.4 | 3532 | 895 | 1338 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Blank | 23 | 12 | 15 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| <table> <tr> <td>Highest code 5.1 in any leadgroup</td> <td>2</td> <td>2</td> <td>5</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Highest code 5.2</td> <td>107</td> <td>35</td> <td>43</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Highest code 5.3</td> <td>112</td> <td>22</td> <td>50</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Highest code 5.4</td> <td>60</td> <td>22</td> <td>38</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Highest code 5.0</td> <td>3251</td> <td>814</td> <td>1202</td> </tr> </table> | | | | | | Highest code 5.1 in any leadgroup | 2 | 2 | 5 | Highest code 5.2 | 107 | 35 | 43 | Highest code 5.3 | 112 | 22 | 50 | Highest code 5.4 | 60 | 22 | 38 | Highest code 5.0 | 3251 | 814 | 1202 |
| Highest code 5.1 in any leadgroup | 2 | 2 | 5 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Highest code 5.2 | 107 | 35 | 43 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Highest code 5.3 | 112 | 22 | 50 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Highest code 5.4 | 60 | 22 | 38 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Highest code 5.0 | 3251 | 814 | 1202 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | MC 9.2 (ST elevation) | | | | See Note 21 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 431 | MC 9.2 Leadgroup L | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | 9.2.0 - 9.2.2 | 3532 | 895 | 1338 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Blank | 23 | 12 | 15 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 432 | MC 9.2 Leadgroup F | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | 9.2.0 - 9.2.2 | 3532 | 895 | 1338 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Blank | 23 | 12 | 15 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 433 | MC 9.2 Leadgroup V | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | 9.2.0 - 9.2.2 | 3532 | 895 | 1338 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Blank | 23 | 12 | 15 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| <table> <tr> <td>Highest Code 9.2.2 in any lead group</td> <td>76</td> <td>12</td> <td>37</td> </tr> </table> | | | | | | Highest Code 9.2.2 in any lead group | 76 | 12 | 37 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Highest Code 9.2.2 in any lead group | 76 | 12 | 37 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

| Position | Item Description and Code | C o u n t s | | | Source and Notes |
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| | | M | C | P | |
| Other Minnesota Codes | | | | | |
| 434-435 | MC 2 (QRS axis code) | | | | |
| | 2.0-2.3.0 | 3532 | 895 | 1338 | |
| | Blank | 23 | 12 | 1 | |
| 436-437 | MC 3 (Computer code for high-amplitude R waves) | | | | |
| | 3.0-3.3.2 | 3532 | 895 | 1338 | |
| | Blank | 23 | 12 | 15 | |
| 438-439 | MC 6 (A-V conduction) | | | | |
| | 6.0-6.5.0 | 3532 | 895 | 1338 | |
| | Blank | 23 | 12 | 15 | |
| 440 | MC 7 (Ventricular conduction) | | | | |
| | 7.0-7.6 | 3532 | 895 | 1338 | |
| | Blank | 23 | 12 | 15 | |
| 441 | MC 9.1 (Low-amplitude QRS) | | | | |
| | 9.1.0-9.1.1 | 3532 | 895 | 1338 | |
| | Blank | 23 | 12 | 15 | |
| 442 | MC 9.3 (High-amplitude P) | | | | |
| | 9.3.0-9.3.3 | 3532 | 895 | 1338 | |
| | Blank | 23 | 12 | 15 | |
| 443 | MC 9.4 (QRS transition zone) | | | | |
| | 9.4.0-9.4.2 | 3532 | 895 | 1338 | |
| | Blank | 23 | 12 | 15 | |
| 444 | MC 9.5 (High-amplitude T) | | | | |
| | 9.5.0-9.5.5 | 3532 | 895 | 1338 | |
| | Blank | 23 | 12 | 15 | |

| Position | Item Description and Code | C o u n t s | | | Source and Notes |
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| | | M | C | P | |
| | Likelihood of Myocardial Infarction and Left Ventricular Hypertrophy according to Dalhousie ECG Program | | | | |
| 445-448 | Cardiac Infarction/Injury Score for 12-Lead ECG Multiplied by 10 | | | | See Note 22 |
| | -220 - 500 | 3484 | 891 | 1337 | |
| | Blank | 71 | 16 | 16 | |
| 449 | Infarction/Injury probable | | | | |
| | 1 Present | 74 | 27 | 21 | |
| | 0 Absent | 3410 | 864 | 1316 | |
| | Blank | 71 | 16 | 16 | |
| 450 | Infarction/Injury possible | | | | |
| | 1 Present | 78 | 24 | 14 | |
| | 0 Absent | 3406 | 867 | 1323 | |
| | Blank | 71 | 16 | 16 | |
| 451 | Consider Infarction/Injury | | | | |
| | 1 Present | 174 | 41 | 54 | |
| | 0 Absent | 3310 | 850 | 1283 | |
| | Blank | 71 | 16 | 16 | |
| | LV Mass and LVMI Estimates | | | | See Note 23 |
| 452-455 | ECG estimate of LV Mass | | | | |
| | 40 - 529 | 3485 | 892 | 1328 | |
| | Blank | 70 | 15 | 25 | |
| 456-459 | ECG estimate of LV Mass Index | | | | |
| | 12 - 295 | 3485 | 892 | 1328 | |
| | Blank | 70 | 15 | 25 | |
| | Likelihood of LVH | | | | |
| 460 | Probable LVH | | | | |
| | 1 Present | 118 | 47 | 58 | |
| | 0 Absent | 3367 | 845 | 1270 | |
| | Blank | 70 | 15 | 25 | |

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| | | M | C | P | |
| | Minnesota Codes after Visual Adjudication of Coding Differences between Computer Coding and Coding by Human Coders | | | | |
| | Presence/Absence of Major and Minor ECG abnormalities after adjudication | | | | See Note 15 |
| 461 | Major abnormalities | | | | |
| | 2 By computer only | 170 | 41 | 71 | |
| | 1 By computer and visual coder | 135 | 35 | 45 | |
| | 0 absent | 3227 | 819 | 1222 | |
| | Blank | 23 | 12 | 15 | |
| 462 | Minor abnormalities | | | | |
| | 2 By computer only | 106 | 26 | 51 | |
| | 1 By computer and visual coder | 355 | 110 | 181 | |
| | 0 absent | 3091 | 759 | 1106 | |
| | Blank | 23 | 12 | 15 | |
| | Likelihood of Myocardial Infarction according to the adjudicated Minnesota Code | | | | |
| 463 | Diagnostic ECG - Diagnostic Q Waves or ST Elevation with Inverted T Waves | | | | See Note 16 |
| | 2 By computer only | 27 | 7 | 11 | |
| | 1 By computer and visual coder | 6 | 2 | 2 | |
| | 0 absent | 3499 | 886 | 1325 | |
| | Blank | 23 | 12 | 15 | |
| 464 | Equivocal ECG - Equivocal Q Waves or ST-T abnormalities | | | | |
| | 2 By computer only | 238 | 57 | 103 | |
| | 1 By computer and visual coder | 88 | 19 | 39 | |
| | 0 absent | 3206 | 819 | 1196 | |
| | Blank | 23 | 12 | 15 | |

| Position | Item Description and Code | C o u n t s | | | Source and Notes |
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| | | M | C | P | |
| | Adjudicated MC 1 | | | | See Note 18 |
| 465-466 | Leadgroup L | | | | |
| | 1.0 - 1.3.3 | 3532 | 895 | 1338 | |
| | Blank | 23 | 12 | 15 | |
| 467-468 | Leadgroup F | | | | |
| | 1.0 - 1.3.3 | 3532 | 895 | 1338 | |
| | Blank | 23 | 12 | 15 | |
| 469-470 | Leadgroup V | | | | |
| | 1.0 - 1.3.2 | 3532 | 895 | 1338 | |
| | Blank | 23 | 12 | 15 | |

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| Highest Code 1.1 in any lead group | 11 | 5 | 8 |
| Highest Code 1.2 | 60 | 8 | 16 |
| Highest Code 1.3 | 25 | 9 | 3 |
| Highest Code 1.0 | 3436 | 873 | 1311 |

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| | Adjudicated MC 4 | | | | See Note 19 |
| 471-472 | Leadgroup L | | | | |
| | 4.0-4.4.0 | 3532 | 895 | 1338 | |
| | Blank | 23 | 12 | 15 | |
| 473-474 | Leadgroup F | | | | |
| | 4.0-4.4.0 | 3532 | 895 | 1338 | |
| | Blank | 23 | 12 | 15 | |
| 475-476 | Leadgroup V | | | | |
| | 4.0-4.4.0 | 3532 | 895 | 1338 | |
| | Blank | 23 | 12 | 15 | |

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| Highest code 4.1 in any leadgroup | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| Highest code 4.2 | 20 | 10 | 8 |
| Highest code 4.3 | 13 | 6 | 0 |
| Highest code 4.4 | 15 | 2 | 1 |
| Highest code 4.0 | 3483 | 875 | 1326 |

| Position | Item Description and Code | C o u n t s | | | Source and Notes |
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| | | M | C | P | |

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| | Adjudicated MC 5 | | | | See Note 20 |
| 477 | Leadgroup L | | | | |
| | 5.0-5.4 | 3532 | 895 | 1338 | |
| | Blank | 23 | 12 | 15 | |
| 478 | Leadgroup F | | | | |
| | 5.0-5.4 | 3532 | 895 | 1338 | |
| | Blank | 23 | 12 | 15 | |
| 479 | Leadgroup V | | | | |
| | 5.0-5.4 | 3532 | 895 | 1338 | |
| | Blank | 23 | 12 | 15 | |

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| | Highest code 5.1 in any leadgroup | 1 | 2 | 5 | |
| | Highest code 5.2 | 93 | 29 | 34 | |
| | Highest code 5.3 | 81 | 19 | 41 | |
| | Highest code 5.4 | 69 | 26 | 42 | |
| | Highest code 5.0 | 3288 | 819 | 1216 | |

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| | Adjudicated MC 9.2 | | | | See Note 21 |
| 480 | Leadgroup L | | | | |
| | 9.2.0 - 9.2.2 | 3532 | 895 | 1338 | |
| | Blank | 23 | 12 | 15 | |
| 481 | Leadgroup F | | | | |
| | 9.2.0 - 9.2.2 | 3532 | 895 | 1338 | |
| | Blank | 23 | 12 | 15 | |
| 482 | Leadgroup V | | | | |
| | 9.2.0 - 9.2.2 | 3532 | 895 | 1338 | |
| | Blank | 23 | 12 | 15 | |

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| | Highest Code 9.2.2 in any lead group | 50 | 6 | 26 | |
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483-512 **Blank**

| Position | Item Description and Code | C o u n t s | | | Source and Notes |
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| | | M | C | P | |
| | Heart rate, basic ECG interval and mean axis data | | | | |
| 513-516 | Heart rate | | | | |
| | 33-117 beats per min | 3530 | 895 | 1338 | |
| | Blank | 25 | 12 | 15 | |
| 517-519 | PR interval | | | | |
| | 39-300 msec | 3497 | 893 | 1329 | |
| | Blank | 58 | 14 | 24 | |
| 520-522 | QRS interval | | | | |
| | 57-187 msec | 3497 | 893 | 1329 | |
| | Blank | 58 | 14 | 24 | |
| 523-525 | QT Interval | | | | |
| | 303 - 512 msec | 3497 | 893 | 1329 | |
| | Blank | 58 | 14 | 24 | |
| 526-529 | P axis, frontal plane | | | | |
| | -165 - 156 degrees | 3497 | 893 | 1329 | |
| | Blank | 58 | 14 | 24 | |
| 530-533 | QRS axis, frontal plane | | | | |
| | -180 - 174 degrees | 3531 | 895 | 1338 | See Note 24 |
| | Blank | 24 | 12 | 15 | |
| 534-537 | T axis, frontal plane | | | | |
| | -177 - 179 degrees | 3497 | 893 | 1329 | |
| | Blank | 58 | 14 | 24 | |
| 538 | Rhythm Codes | | | | |
| | 1 Sinus rhythm | 2310 | 641 | 864 | |
| | 2 Sinus tachycardia | 27 | 8 | 19 | |
| | 3 Sinus bradycardia | 485 | 108 | 140 | |
| | 4 Sinus arrhythmia | 397 | 79 | 169 | |
| | 5 Atrial fibrillation | 7 | 3 | 1 | |
| | 6 Ventricular ectopic complexes | 14 | 7 | 13 | |
| | 7 Supraventricular ectopic complexes | 7 | 7 | 8 | |
| | 8 Wolff-Parkinson-White | 8 | 1 | 2 | |
| | Blank | 300 | 53 | 137 | |
| 539-541 | Blank | | | | |

| Position | Item Description and Code | C o u n t s | | | Source and Notes |
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| | | M | C | P | |
| 12 Lead ECG amplitude and duration measurements | | | | | |
| 542-545 | P amplitude, positive phase, lead II | | | | |
| | 0-358 μ V | 3496 | 893 | 1329 | |
| | Blank | 59 | 14 | 24 | |
| 546-548 | P duration, lead II | | | | |
| | 0-173 msec | 3496 | 893 | 1329 | |
| | Blank | 59 | 14 | 24 | |
| 549-552 | P amplitude, positive phase, lead VI | | | | |
| | 0-252 μ V | 3488 | 893 | 1329 | |
| | Blank | 67 | 14 | 24 | |
| 553-556 | P amplitude, negative phase, lead VI | | | | |
| | -227-0 μ V | 3488 | 893 | 1329 | |
| | Blank | 67 | 14 | 24 | |
| 557-560 | Q or QS amplitude, lead I | | | | |
| | 0-367 μ V | 3495 | 893 | 1329 | |
| | Blank | 60 | 14 | 24 | |
| 561-564 | Q or QS amplitude, lead II | | | | |
| | 0-611 μ V | 3495 | 893 | 1329 | |
| | Blank | 60 | 14 | 24 | |
| 565-568 | Q or QS amplitude, lead III | | | | |
| | 0-1877 μ V | 3495 | 893 | 1329 | |
| | Blank | 60 | 14 | 24 | |
| 569-572 | Q or QS amplitude, lead aVL | | | | |
| | 0-630 μ V | 3495 | 892 | 1328 | |
| | Blank | 60 | 15 | 25 | |
| 573-576 | Q or QS amplitude, lead aVF | | | | |
| | 0-1244 μ V | 3495 | 893 | 1329 | |
| | Blank | 60 | 14 | 24 | |
| 577-580 | Q or QS amplitude, lead V1 | | | | |
| | 0-2233 μ V | 3487 | 893 | 1329 | |
| | Blank | 68 | 14 | 24 | |

| Position | Item Description and Code | C o u n t s | | | Source and Notes |
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| | | M | C | P | |
| 581-584 | Q or QS amplitude, lead V2 | | | | |
| | 0-3401 μ v | 3487 | 892 | 1329 | |
| | Blank | 68 | 15 | 24 | |
| 585-588 | Q or QS amplitude, lead V3 | | | | |
| | 0-3578 μ V | 3491 | 892 | 1329 | |
| | Blank | 64 | 15 | 24 | |
| 589-592 | Q or QS amplitude, lead V4 | | | | |
| | 0-2345 μ V | 3496 | 893 | 1329 | |
| | Blank | 59 | 14 | 24 | |
| 593-596 | Q or QS amplitude lead V5 | | | | |
| | 0-680 μ V | 3495 | 893 | 1329 | |
| | Blank | 60 | 14 | 24 | |
| 597-600 | Q or QS amplitude, lead V6 | | | | |
| | 0-634 μ V | 3496 | 893 | 1329 | |
| | Blank | 59 | 14 | 24 | |
| 601-603 | Q or QS duration, lead I | | | | |
| | 0-48 msec | 3495 | 893 | 1329 | |
| | Blank | 60 | 14 | 24 | |
| 604-606 | Q or QS duration, lead II | | | | |
| | 0-116 msec | 3495 | 893 | 1329 | |
| | Blank | 60 | 14 | 24 | |
| 607-609 | Q or QS duration, lead III | | | | |
| | 0-128 msec | 3495 | 893 | 1329 | |
| | Blank | 60 | 14 | 24 | |
| 610-612 | Q or QS duration, lead aVL | | | | |
| | 0-88 msec | 3495 | 892 | 1328 | |
| | Blank | 60 | 15 | 25 | |
| 613-615 | Q or QS duration, lead aVF | | | | |
| | 0-116 msec | 3495 | 893 | 1329 | |
| | Blank | 60 | 14 | 24 | |
| 616-618 | Q or QS duration, lead V1 | | | | |
| | 0-136 msec | 3487 | 893 | 1329 | |
| | Blank | 68 | 14 | 24 | |

| Position | Item Description and Code | C o u n t s | | | Source and Notes |
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| | | M | C | P | |
| 619-621 | Q or QS duration, lead V2 | | | | |
| | 0-116 msec | 3487 | 892 | 1329 | |
| | Blank | 68 | 15 | 24 | |
| 622-624 | Q or QS duration, lead V3 | | | | |
| | 0-112 msec | 3491 | 892 | 1329 | |
| | Blank | 64 | 15 | 24 | |
| 625-627 | Q or QS duration, lead V4 | | | | |
| | 0-96 msec | 3496 | 893 | 1329 | |
| | Blank | 59 | 14 | 24 | |
| 628-630 | Q or QS duration, lead V5 | | | | |
| | 0-52 msec | 3495 | 893 | 1329 | |
| | Blank | 60 | 14 | 24 | |
| 631-633 | Q or QS duration, lead V6 | | | | |
| | 0-52 msec | 3496 | 893 | 1329 | |
| | Blank | 59 | 14 | 24 | |
| 634-637 | R amplitude, lead I | | | | |
| | 33-2235 μ V | 3496 | 893 | 1329 | |
| | Blank | 59 | 14 | 24 | |
| 638-641 | R amplitude, lead II | | | | |
| | 0-3799 μ V | 3496 | 893 | 1329 | |
| | Blank | 59 | 14 | 24 | |
| 642-645 | R amplitude, lead III | | | | |
| | 0-2759 μ V | 3496 | 893 | 1329 | |
| | Blank | 59 | 14 | 24 | |
| 646-649 | R amplitude, lead aVR | | | | |
| | 0-569 μ V | 3496 | 893 | 1329 | |
| | Blank | 59 | 14 | 24 | |
| 650-653 | R amplitude, lead aVL | | | | |
| | 0-1913 μ V | 3496 | 892 | 1328 | |
| | Blank | 59 | 15 | 25 | |
| 654-657 | R amplitude, lead aVF | | | | |
| | 0-3279 μ V | 3496 | 893 | 1329 | |
| | Blank | 59 | 14 | 24 | |

| Position | Item Description and Code | C o u n t s | | | Source and Notes |
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| | | M | C | P | |
| 658-661 | R amplitude lead V1 | | | | |
| | 0 - 2293 μ V | 3488 | 893 | 1329 | |
| | Blank | 67 | 14 | 24 | |
| 662-665 | R amplitude lead V2 | | | | |
| | 0 - 5432 μ V | 3488 | 892 | 1329 | |
| | Blank | 67 | 15 | 24 | |
| 666-669 | R amplitude lead V3 | | | | |
| | 0 - 4428 μ V | 3492 | 892 | 1329 | |
| | Blank | 63 | 15 | 24 | |
| 670-673 | R amplitude lead V4 | | | | |
| | 0 - 5759 μ V | 3497 | 893 | 1329 | |
| | Blank | 58 | 14 | 24 | |
| 674-677 | R amplitude lead V5 | | | | |
| | 45 - 5275 μ V | 3496 | 893 | 1329 | |
| | Blank | 59 | 14 | 24 | |
| 678-681 | R amplitude lead, V6 | | | | |
| | 32 - 4449 μ V | 3497 | 893 | 1329 | |
| | Blank | 58 | 14 | 24 | |
| 682-684 | R duration, lead I | | | | |
| | 12 - 184 msec | 3496 | 893 | 1329 | |
| | Blank | 59 | 14 | 24 | |
| 685-687 | R duration, lead II | | | | |
| | 0 - 144 msec | 3496 | 893 | 1329 | |
| | Blank | 59 | 14 | 24 | |
| 688-690 | R duration, lead III | | | | |
| | 0 - 136 msec | 3496 | 893 | 1329 | |
| | Blank | 59 | 14 | 24 | |
| 691-693 | R duration, lead aVR | | | | |
| | 0 - 108 msec | 3496 | 893 | 1329 | |
| | Blank | 59 | 14 | 24 | |
| 694-696 | R duration, lead aVL | | | | |
| | 0 - 184 msec | 3496 | 892 | 1328 | |
| | Blank | 59 | 15 | 25 | |

| Position | Item Description and Code | C o u n t s | | | Source and Notes |
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| | | M | C | P | |
| 697-699 | R duration, lead aVF | | | | |
| | 0 - 128 msec | 3496 | 893 | 1329 | |
| | Blank | 59 | 14 | 24 | |
| 700-702 | R duration lead V1 | | | | |
| | 0 - 156 msec | 3488 | 893 | 1329 | |
| | Blank | 67 | 14 | 24 | |
| 703-705 | R duration, lead V2 | | | | |
| | 0 - 132 msec | 3488 | 892 | 1329 | |
| | Blank | 67 | 15 | 24 | |
| 706-708 | R duration lead V3 | | | | |
| | 0 - 132 msec | 3492 | 892 | 1329 | |
| | Blank | 63 | 15 | 24 | |
| 709-711 | R duration, lead V4 | | | | |
| | 0 - 160 msec | 3497 | 893 | 1329 | |
| | Blank | 58 | 14 | 24 | |
| 712-714 | R duration, lead V5 | | | | |
| | 12 - 172 msec | 3496 | 893 | 1329 | |
| | Blank | 59 | 14 | 24 | |
| 715-717 | R duration, lead V6 | | | | |
| | 8 - 172 msec | 3497 | 893 | 1329 | |
| | Blank | 58 | 14 | 24 | |
| 718-721 | S amplitude, lead I | | | | |
| | 0 - 860 μ V | 3496 | 893 | 1329 | |
| | Blank | 59 | 14 | 24 | |
| 722-725 | S amplitude, lead II | | | | |
| | 0 - 1211 μ V | 3496 | 893 | 1329 | |
| | Blank | 59 | 14 | 24 | |
| 726-729 | S amplitude, lead III | | | | |
| | 0 - 2336 μ V | 3496 | 893 | 1329 | |
| | Blank | 59 | 14 | 24 | |
| 730-733 | S amplitude, lead aVR | | | | |
| | 0 - 2529 μ V | 3496 | 893 | 1329 | |
| | Blank | 59 | 14 | 24 | |

| Position | Item Description and Code | C o u n t s | | | Source and Notes |
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| | | M | C | P | |
| 734-737 | S amplitude, lead aVL | | | | |
| | 0 - 1476 μ V | 3496 | 892 | 1328 | |
| | Blank | 59 | 15 | 25 | |
| 738-741 | S amplitude, lead aVF | | | | |
| | 0 - 1773 μ V | 3496 | 893 | 1329 | |
| | Blank | 59 | 14 | 24 | |
| 742-745 | S amplitude, lead V1 | | | | |
| | 0 - 3482 μ V | 3488 | 893 | 1329 | |
| | Blank | 67 | 14 | 24 | |
| 746-749 | S amplitude, lead V2 | | | | |
| | 0 - 4898 μ V | 3488 | 892 | 1329 | |
| | Blank | 67 | 15 | 24 | |
| 750-753 | S amplitude, lead V3 | | | | |
| | 0 - 3766 μ V | 3492 | 892 | 1329 | |
| | Blank | 63 | 15 | 24 | |
| 754-757 | S amplitude, lead V4 | | | | |
| | 0 - 2687 μ V | 3497 | 893 | 1329 | |
| | Blank | 58 | 14 | 24 | |
| 758-761 | S amplitude, lead V5 | | | | |
| | 0 - 2542 μ V | 3496 | 893 | 1329 | |
| | Blank | 59 | 14 | 24 | |
| 762-765 | S amplitude, lead V6 | | | | |
| | 0 - 1434 μ V | 3497 | 893 | 1329 | |
| | Blank | 58 | 14 | 24 | |
| 766-768 | S duration, lead I | | | | |
| | 0 - 108 msec | 3496 | 893 | 1329 | |
| | Blank | 59 | 14 | 24 | |
| 769-771 | S duration, lead II | | | | |
| | 0 - 112 msec | 3496 | 893 | 1329 | |
| | Blank | 59 | 14 | 24 | |
| 772-774 | S duration, lead III | | | | |
| | 0 - 140 msec | 3496 | 893 | 1329 | |
| | Blank | 59 | 14 | 24 | |

| Position | Item Description and Code | C o u n t s | | | Source and Notes |
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| | | M | C | P | |
| 775-777 | S duration, lead aVR | | | | |
| | 0 - 120 msec | 3496 | 893 | 1329 | |
| | Blank | 59 | 14 | 24 | |
| 778-780 | S duration, lead aVL | | | | |
| | 0 - 116 msec | 3496 | 892 | 1328 | |
| | Blank | 59 | 15 | 25 | |
| 781-783 | S duration, lead aVF | | | | |
| | 0 - 136 msec | 3496 | 893 | 1329 | |
| | Blank | 59 | 14 | 24 | |
| 784-786 | S duration, lead V1 | | | | |
| | 0 - 144 msec | 3488 | 893 | 1329 | |
| | Blank | 67 | 14 | 24 | |
| 787-789 | S duration, lead V2 | | | | |
| | 0 - 144 msec | 3488 | 892 | 1329 | |
| | Blank | 67 | 15 | 24 | |
| 790-792 | S duration, lead V3 | | | | |
| | 0 - 148 msec | 3492 | 892 | 1329 | |
| | Blank | 63 | 15 | 24 | |
| 793-795 | S duration, lead V4 | | | | |
| | 0 - 116 msec | 3497 | 893 | 1329 | |
| | Blank | 58 | 14 | 24 | |
| 796-798 | S duration, lead V5 | | | | |
| | 0 - 104 msec | 3496 | 893 | 1329 | |
| | Blank | 59 | 14 | 24 | |
| 799-801 | S duration, lead V6 | | | | |
| | 0 - 108 msec | 3497 | 893 | 1329 | |
| | Blank | 58 | 14 | 24 | |
| 802-805 | R' amplitude, lead I | | | | |
| | 0 - 1085 μ V | 3496 | 893 | 1329 | |
| | Blank | 59 | 14 | 24 | |
| 806-809 | R' amplitude, lead II | | | | |
| | 0 - 1114 μ V | 3496 | 893 | 1329 | |
| | Blank | 59 | 14 | 24 | |

| Position | Item Description and Code | C o u n t s | | | Source and Notes |
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| | | M | C | P | |
| 810-813 | R' amplitude, lead III | | | | |
| | 0 - 1481 μ V | 3496 | 893 | 1329 | |
| | Blank | 59 | 14 | 24 | |
| 814-817 | R' amplitude, lead aVR | | | | |
| | 0 - 509 μ V | 3496 | 893 | 1329 | |
| | Blank | 59 | 14 | 24 | |
| 818-821 | R' amplitude, lead aVL | | | | |
| | 0 - 1240 μ V | 3496 | 892 | 1328 | |
| | Blank | 59 | 15 | 25 | |
| 822-825 | R' amplitude, lead aVF | | | | |
| | 0 - 1193 μ V | 3496 | 893 | 1329 | |
| | Blank | 59 | 14 | 24 | |
| 826-829 | R' amplitude, lead V1 | | | | |
| | 0 - 1869 μ V | 3488 | 893 | 1329 | |
| | Blank | 67 | 14 | 24 | |
| 830-833 | R' amplitude, lead V2 | | | | |
| | 0 - 2317 μ V | 3488 | 892 | 1329 | |
| | Blank | 67 | 15 | 24 | |
| 834-837 | R' amplitude, lead V3 | | | | |
| | 0 - 701 μ V | 3492 | 892 | 1329 | |
| | Blank | 3 | 15 | 24 | |
| 838-841 | R' amplitude, lead V4 | | | | |
| | 0 - 2605 μ V | 3497 | 893 | 1329 | |
| | Blank | 58 | 14 | 24 | |
| 842-845 | R' amplitude, lead V5 | | | | |
| | 0 - 227 μ V | 3496 | 893 | 1329 | |
| | Blank | 59 | 14 | 24 | |
| 846-849 | R' amplitude, lead V6 | | | | |
| | 0 - 311 μ V | 3497 | 893 | 1329 | |
| | Blank | 58 | 14 | 24 | |
| 850-853 | J amplitude, lead I | | | | |
| | - 178 - 157 μ V | 3496 | 893 | 1329 | |
| | Blank | 59 | 14 | 24 | |

| Position | Item Description and Code | C o u n t s | | | Source and Notes |
|----------|------------------------------|-------------|-----|------|---------------------|
| | | M | C | P | |
| 854-857 | J amplitude, lead II | | | | |
| | - 212 - 194 μ V | 3496 | 893 | 1329 | |
| | Blank | 59 | 14 | 24 | |
| 858-861 | J amplitude, lead III | | | | |
| | - 150 - 170 μ V | 3496 | 893 | 1329 | |
| | Blank | 59 | 14 | 24 | |
| 862-865 | J amplitude, lead aVR | | | | |
| | - 141 - 178 μ V | 3496 | 893 | 1329 | |
| | Blank | 59 | 14 | 24 | |
| 866-869 | J amplitude, lead aVL | | | | |
| | - 154 - 105 μ V | 3496 | 892 | 1328 | |
| | Blank | 59 | 15 | 25 | |
| 870-873 | J amplitude, lead aVF | | | | |
| | - 144 - 142 μ V | 3496 | 893 | 1329 | |
| | Blank | 59 | 14 | 24 | |
| 874-877 | J amplitude, lead V1 | | | | |
| | - 138 - 359 μ V | 3488 | 893 | 1329 | |
| | Blank | 67 | 14 | 24 | |
| 878-881 | J amplitude, lead V2 | | | | |
| | - 179 - 438 μ V | 3488 | 892 | 1329 | |
| | Blank | 67 | 15 | 24 | |
| 882-885 | J amplitude, lead V3 | | | | |
| | - 228 - 291 μ V | 3492 | 892 | 1329 | |
| | Blank | 63 | 15 | 24 | |
| 886-889 | J amplitude, lead V4 | | | | |
| | - 201 - 367 μ V | 3497 | 893 | 1329 | |
| | Blank | 58 | 14 | 24 | |
| 890-893 | J amplitude, lead V5 | | | | |
| | - 181 - 284 μ V | 3496 | 893 | 1329 | |
| | Blank | 59 | 14 | 24 | |
| 894-897 | J amplitude, lead V6 | | | | |
| | - 176 - 209 μ V | 3497 | 893 | 1329 | |
| | Blank | 58 | 14 | 24 | |

| Position | Item Description and Code | C o u n t s | | | Source and Notes |
|----------|---------------------------------------|-------------|-----|------|---------------------|
| | | M | C | P | |
| 898-902 | Negative T amplitude, lead I | | | | |
| | - 515 - 0 μ V | 3496 | 893 | 1329 | |
| | Blank | 59 | 14 | 24 | |
| 903-907 | Negative T amplitude, lead II | | | | |
| | - 284 - 0 μ V | 3496 | 893 | 1329 | |
| | Blank | 59 | 14 | 24 | |
| 908-912 | Negative T amplitude, lead III | | | | |
| | - 376 - 0 μ V | 3496 | 893 | 1329 | |
| | Blank | 59 | 14 | 24 | |
| 913-917 | Negative T amplitude, lead aVR | | | | |
| | - 817 - 0 μ V | 3496 | 893 | 1329 | |
| | Blank | 59 | 14 | 24 | |
| 918-922 | Negative T amplitude, lead aVL | | | | |
| | - 416 - 0 μ V | 3496 | 892 | 1328 | |
| | Blank | 59 | 15 | 25 | |
| 923-927 | Negative T amplitude, lead aVF | | | | |
| | - 210 - 0 μ V | 3496 | 893 | 1329 | |
| | Blank | 59 | 14 | 24 | |
| 928-932 | Negative T amplitude, lead V1 | | | | |
| | - 582 - 0 μ V | 3488 | 893 | 1329 | |
| | Blank | 67 | 14 | 24 | |
| 933-937 | Negative T amplitude, lead V2 | | | | |
| | - 1149 - 0 μ V | 3488 | 892 | 1329 | |
| | Blank | 67 | 15 | 24 | |
| 938-942 | Negative T amplitude, lead V3 | | | | |
| | - 993 - 0 μ V | 3492 | 892 | 1329 | |
| | Blank | 63 | 15 | 24 | |
| 943-947 | Negative T amplitude, lead V4 | | | | |
| | - 1376 - 0 μ V | 3497 | 893 | 1329 | |
| | Blank | 58 | 14 | 24 | |
| 948-952 | Negative T amplitude, lead V5 | | | | |
| | - 1233 - 0 μ V | 3496 | 893 | 1329 | |
| | Blank | 59 | 14 | 24 | |

| Position | Item Description and Code | C o u n t s | | | Source and Notes |
|-----------|--------------------------------------|-------------|-----|------|---------------------|
| | | M | C | P | |
| 953-957 | Negative T amplitude, lead V6 | | | | |
| | - 859 - 0 μ V | 3497 | 893 | 1329 | |
| | Blank | 58 | 14 | 24 | |
| 958-962 | Positive T amplitude, lead I | | | | |
| | 0 - 883 μ V | 3496 | 893 | 1329 | |
| | Blank | 59 | 24 | 24 | |
| 963-967 | Positive T amplitude, lead II | | | | |
| | 0 - 795 μ V | 3496 | 893 | 1329 | |
| | Blank | 59 | 14 | 24 | |
| 968-972 | Positive T amplitude lead III | | | | |
| | 0 - 569 μ V | 3496 | 893 | 1329 | |
| | Blank | 59 | 14 | 24 | |
| 973-977 | Positive T amplitude lead aVR | | | | |
| | 0 - 413 μ V | 3496 | 893 | 1329 | |
| | Blank | 59 | 14 | 24 | |
| 978-982 | Positive T amplitude lead aVL | | | | |
| | 0 - 588 μ V | 3496 | 892 | 1328 | |
| | Blank | 59 | 15 | 25 | |
| 983-987 | Positive T amplitude lead aVF | | | | |
| | 0 - 643 μ V | 3496 | 893 | 1329 | |
| | Blank | 59 | 14 | 14 | |
| 988-992 | Positive T amplitude lead V1 | | | | |
| | 0 - 1359 μ V | 3488 | 893 | 1329 | |
| | Blank | 67 | 14 | 24 | |
| 993-997 | Positive T amplitude lead V2 | | | | |
| | 0 - 1618 μ V | 3488 | 892 | 1329 | |
| | Blank | 67 | 15 | 24 | |
| 998-1002 | Positive T amplitude lead V3 | | | | |
| | 0 - 1731 μ V | 3492 | 892 | 1329 | |
| | Blank | 63 | 15 | 24 | |
| 1003-1007 | Positive T amplitude lead V4 | | | | |
| | 0 - 1564 μ V | 3497 | 893 | 1329 | |
| | Blank | 58 | 14 | 24 | |

| Position | Item Description and Code | C o u n t s | | | Source and Notes |
|-----------|-------------------------------------|-------------|-----|------|---------------------|
| | | M | C | P | |
| 1008-1012 | Positive T amplitude lead V5 | | | | |
| | 0 - 1417 μ V | 3496 | 893 | 1329 | |
| | Blank | 59 | 14 | 24 | |
| 1013-1017 | Positive T amplitude lead V6 | | | | |
| | 0 - 1075 μ V | 3497 | 893 | 1329 | |
| | Blank | 58 | 14 | 24 | |

SECTION L. NOTES

NOTE 1: FAMILY QUESTIONNAIRE MISSING

A Family Questionnaire was to be completed for each eligible family in a household with sample persons. However, a few Family Questionnaires are missing. Data records for sample persons in families with missing questionnaires are flagged with a code = 1, and all family data are blank. Data records for sample persons in families with a Family Questionnaire are flagged with a code = 2.

During the Mexican-American portion of the HHANES survey, a Family Questionnaire continuation booklet containing sample person information was lost for one sample person. Therefore, the sociodemographic data for this sample person are missing. The reference person, family composition, income, residence, and household data for this person were obtained from another person in the household.

NOTE 2: EXAMINATION STATUS

Not all sample persons consented to come to a Mobile Examination Center to participate in the examination phase of the survey. In certain rare instances (less than 0.1%), sample persons who came to the Mobile Examination Centers did not participate in sufficient components of the examination to be considered as "examined". This data field contains code = 1 for those persons who participated fully in the examination phase, and code = 2 for those who did not come to the examination center or who did not satisfactorily complete the examination.

NOTE 3: FAMILY NUMBER

In HHANES, all household members who were related by blood, marriage, or adoption were considered to be one "family". All sample persons in the same family unit have the same computer-generated family unit code.

NOTE 4: HEAD OF FAMILY

Relationship of Sample Person to Head of Family (Pos. 44-45)

Each family containing sample persons has a designated "head of family", and the relationship of each sample person to the head of his or her family is coded in tape position 44-45. The first three categories of this variable describe the "head" of three different kinds of families.

- Code '01' identifies sample persons who lived alone (i.e., "head" of one-person families, no unrelated individuals living in the household).
- Code '02' identifies sample persons who lived only with unrelated persons.
- Code '03' identifies sample persons who were "heads" of families containing at least one other person (whether or not the household included additional families unrelated to the sample person).

Sociodemographic Data (Pos. 100-131)

This data tape includes some sociodemographic data about the head of each sample person's family (Section F). Because there can only be one "head" per family, the data in this section (positions 100-131) are the same for all sample persons in the same family (i.e., with the same family number codes in positions 39-43). If the sample person is the head of his or her family, the data in positions 100-131 are the same as in the corresponding positions in Section E.

NOTE 5: OBSERVED RACE

"Race" was observed by the interviewer for all sample persons actually seen. Rules for classification of observed race were consistent with those used in the NHANES II and the National Health Interview Survey at that time. The categories were coded as follows:

White - Includes Spanish origin persons unless they are definitely Black, Indian or other nonwhite.

Black - Black or Negro

Other - Race other than White or Black, including Japanese, Chinese, American Indian, Korean, Eskimo

NOTE 6: NATIONAL ORIGIN OR ANCESTRY

The value for national origin or ancestry is based on Item 2c in the Household Screener Questionnaire and was reported by the household respondent for all household members. In the Mexican-American portion of the survey, if "other Latin-American or other Spanish" (code 9) or "Other" (code 0) was recorded and the specified origin was "Spanish-American" or "Spanish (Spain)", a code of 10 or 11, respectively, was assigned. In all three portions of the survey, if more than one category was reported, the first appropriate "Hispanic" code, if any, was assigned (codes 1, 2, 3, 8, 10 or 11 in the Mexican-American portion; codes 6 or 7 in the Cuban-American portion; codes 4 or 5 in the Puerto Rican portion). If none of these codes was recorded, the first category entered was coded.

NOTE 7: CODES FOR STATES AND FOREIGN COUNTRIES

| <u>Code</u> | <u>State or Foreign Country</u> |
|-------------|---------------------------------|
| 001 | Alabama |
| 002 | Alaska |
| 004 | Arizona |
| 005 | Arkansas |
| 006 | California |
| 008 | Colorado |
| 009 | Connecticut |
| 010 | Delaware |
| 011 | District of Columbia |
| 012 | Florida |
| 013 | Georgia |
| 015 | Hawaii |
| 016 | Idaho |
| 017 | Illinois |
| 018 | Indiana |
| 019 | Iowa |
| 020 | Kansas |
| 021 | Kentucky |
| 022 | Louisiana |
| 023 | Maine |
| 024 | Maryland |
| 025 | Massachusetts |
| 026 | Michigan |
| 027 | Minnesota |
| 028 | Mississippi |

Codes for States and Foreign Countries (Cont'd)

| <u>Code</u> | <u>State or Foreign Country</u> |
|-------------|---------------------------------|
| 029 | Missouri |
| 030 | Montana |
| 031 | Nebraska |
| 032 | Nevada |
| 033 | New Hampshire |
| 034 | New Jersey |
| 035 | New Mexico |
| 036 | New York |
| 037 | North Carolina |
| 038 | North Dakota |
| 039 | Ohio |
| 040 | Oklahoma |
| 041 | Oregon |
| 042 | Pennsylvania |
| 044 | Rhode Island |
| 045 | South Carolina |
| 046 | South Dakota |
| 047 | Tennessee |
| 048 | Texas |
| 049 | Utah |
| 050 | Vermont |
| 051 | Virginia |
| 053 | Washington |
| 054 | West Virginia |
| 055 | Wisconsin |
| 056 | Wyoming |
| 060 | American Samoa |
| 093 | Canada |
| 061 | Canal Zone |
| 062 | Canton and Enderbury Islands |
| 091 | Central America |
| 095 | Costa Rica |
| 063 | Cuba |
| 064 | Dominican Republic |
| 065 | El Salvador |
| 062 | Enderbury Islands |
| 087 | Germany |
| 066 | Guam |
| 068 | Guatemala |
| 069 | Haiti |
| 070 | Jamaica |
| 090 | Japan |
| 067 | Johnston Atoll |
| 080 | Mexico |
| 088 | Honduras |
| 071 | Midway Islands |
| 081 | Nicaragua |
| 096 | Palestine |
| 097 | Austria |
| 098 | Lebanon |
| 099 | Chile |
| 100 | Philippines |

Codes for States and Foreign Countries (Cont'd)

| <u>Code</u> | <u>State or Foreign Country</u> |
|-------------|---|
| 101 | Brazil |
| 102 | Holland |
| 103 | Colombia |
| 082 | Panama |
| 072 | Puerto Rico |
| 092 | Saudi Arabia |
| 083 | Spain |
| 094 | Taiwan |
| 089 | Turkey |
| 084 | Uruguay |
| 085 | Venezuela |
| 073 | Ryukyu Islands, Southern |
| 074 | Swan Islands |
| 075 | Trust Territories of the Pacific Islands (includes Caroline, Mariana and Marshall Island groups) |
| 076 | U.S. miscellaneous Caribbean Islands (includes Navassa Islands, Quito Sueno Bank, Roncador Cay, Serrana Bank and Serranilla Bank) |
| 077 | U.S. miscellaneous Pacific Islands (includes Kingman Reef, Howland, Baker & Jarvis Islands, and Palmyra Atoll) |
| 086 | United States |
| 078 | Virgin Islands |
| 079 | Wake Island |
| 104 | Azores |
| 105 | Peru |
| 106 | England |
| 107 | Vietnam |
| 108 | Italy |
| 109 | Ecuador |
| 110 | North America |
| 111 | Surinam |
| 112 | Argentina |
| 113 | Portugal |
| 114 | Trinidad |
| 115 | Egypt |
| 116 | Sudan |
| 117 | British Honduras |
| 118 | China |
| 888 | Blank but applicable |

NOTE 8: ORIGIN RECODE

In the HHANES, if any household member was identified as "Hispanic" (as defined below), all household members, regardless of origin, were eligible to be selected as sample persons. The national origin recode specifies whether a sample person is considered to be "Hispanic" or "not Hispanic" for purposes of analysis. "Hispanic" is defined as:

Mexican-American residing, in selected counties of Texas, Colorado, New Mexico, Arizona, and California;
Cuban-American, residing in Dade County (Miami), Florida; or
Puerto Rican, residing in the New York City area, including parts of New Jersey and Connecticut.

The recode was assigned as follows:

A. Southwest portion

- 1) If the original national origin or ancestry code on the Household Screener Questionnaire was 1, 2, 3, 8, 10, or 11, then National origin recode = 1;
- 2) If national origin or ancestry was 4, 5, 6, 7, 9, or 0 but the person specified Mexican/Mexicano, Chicano, or Mexican-American self-identification on the Adult Sample Person Questionnaire (question M10), or the person was the biological child of a household member with Recode equal to 1 (as determined by questions A-1-A-11 on the Family Questionnaire), then National origin recode = 1;
- 3) In all other cases, National origin recode = 2.

B. Dade County, Florida portion

- 1) If the original national origin or ancestry code was 6 or 7, then National origin recode = 1;
- 2) In all other cases, National origin recode = 2;

C. New York City area portion

- 1) If the original national origin or ancestry code was 4 or 5, then National origin recode = 1;
- 2) If national origin or ancestry was 1, 2, 3, 6, 7, 8, 9 or 0 but the person specified Boricuan or Puerto Rican self-identification on the Adult Sample Person Questionnaire (question M10), or the person was the biological child of a household member with Recode equal to 1 (as determined by questions A-1/A-11 on the Family Questionnaire), then National origin recode = 1;
- 3) In all other cases, National origin recode = 2.

The national origin recode may be used in analysis in one of two ways:

- a) Selecting on Recode = 1 will restrict analysis to "Hispanics" only. In this case, in the Southwest portion of the survey, the weighted estimates by age and sex will approximately equal the U.S. Bureau of the Census population estimates of the number of Mexican Americans and a small proportion of other Hispanics assumed to be Hispano in the five Southwest States (Arizona, California, Colorado, New Mexico, and Texas) at the midpoint of the Mexican-American portion of HHANES--March 1983. The weighted estimates of Cuban Americans represents an independent estimate of the number of Cuban Americans in Dade County at the midpoint--February 1984. The weighted estimates of Puerto Ricans represents an independent estimate of the number of Puerto Ricans in the sample counties in New York, New Jersey, and Connecticut at the midpoint of the Puerto Rican portion--September 1984.
- b) Using Recode greater than 0, that is, all sample persons, will include "Hispanic" and "not Hispanic" persons and the Southwest weighted estimates by age and sex will overestimate the U.S. Bureau of the Census population estimates of Mexican Americans and other Hispanics by about 4.5 percent. In Dade County, using Recode greater than 0 will increase the weighted estimates by about 5.3 percent over that for Cuban Americans only, using Recode greater

than 0 for the New York area will increase the weighted estimates by about 9.2 percent over that for Puerto Ricans only.

NOTE 9: INDUSTRY AND OCCUPATION CODE

Family Questionnaire questions B-12 through B-15 (see page 117 or 139 of Ref. No. 1 in Section C) identified sample persons 17 years old or older who were in the labor force working for pay at a job or business or who worked without pay in a family business or farm operated by a related member of the household without receiving wages or salary for work performed.

Questions B-17 through B-22 provided a full description of sample persons' current or most recent job or business. The detail asked for in these questions was necessary to properly and accurately code each occupation and industry. Interviewers were trained to define a job as a definite arrangement for regular work for pay every week or every month. This included arrangements for either regular part-time or regular full-time work. If a sample person was absent from his or her regular job, worked at more than one job, was on layoff from a job or was looking for work during the two-week reference period, interviewers were trained to use the following criteria to determine the job described:

- a) If a sample person worked at more than one job during the two-week reference period or operated a farm or business and also worked for someone else, the job at which he or she worked the most hours was described. If the sample person worked the same number of hours at all jobs, the job at which he or she had been employed the longest was entered. If the sample person was employed at all jobs the same length of time, the job the sample person considered the main job was entered.
- b) If a sample person was absent from his or her regular job all of the two-week reference period, but worked temporarily at another job, the job at which the sample person actually worked was described, not the job from which he or she was absent.
- c) If a sample person had a job but did not work at all during the two-week reference period, the job he or she held was described.
- d) If a sample person was on layoff during the two-week reference period, the job from which he or she was laid off, regardless of whether a full-time or part-time job, was described.
- e) If a sample person was looking for work or waiting to begin a new job within 30 days of the interview, the last full-time civilian job which lasted two consecutive weeks or more was described.

The 1980 census of population Alphabetical Index of Industries and Occupations was used in the coding of both industry and occupation. This book has Library of Congress Number 80-18360, and is for sale by the Superintendent of Documents, U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington, D.C. 20402 for \$3.00. Its Stock Number is 003024049-2.

NOTE 10: HEALTH INSURANCE

In the Health Insurance section of the Family Questionnaire, up to three separate health insurance plans could be reported for a family. Each sample person could have been covered by any combination of the three, or by none at all. In order to simplify the health insurance coverage data, the information on all reported plans was combined to a single variable for each sample person, i.e., whether or not the person is covered by any plan (position 74). For all persons covered by at least one plan, information on the type of coverage is then indicated; position 75 specifies whether any of the sample person's plans pays hospital expenses and position 76 specifies whether any of the sample person's plans pays doctor's or surgeon's bills.

For all sample persons who were not covered by Medicare or any health insurance plan, the reasons for not being covered were ascertained. Positions 77-78 contain the main or only reason reported. For persons with one or more additional reasons, the first (lowest) code entered on the questionnaire was coded in positions 79-80.

NOTE 11: PER CAPITA INCOME

Per capita income was computed by dividing the total combined family income by the number of people in the family.

NOTE 12: POVERTY INDEX

The poverty index is a ratio of two components. The numerator is the midpoint of the income bracket reported for each family in the Family Questionnaire (E-11). Respondents were asked to report total combined family income during the 12 months preceding the interview. The denominator is a poverty threshold which varied with the number of persons in the family, the adult/child composition of the family, the age of the reference person, and the month and the year in which the family was interviewed.

Poverty thresholds published in U.S. Bureau of the Census reports* are based on calendar years and were adjusted to reflect differences caused by inflation between calendar years and 12-month income reference periods to which question E-11 referred. Average Consumer Price Indexes for all Urban consumers (CPI-U) for the calendar year for which the poverty thresholds were published (see table below) and for the 12 months representing the income reference period for the respondent were calculated. The percentage difference between these two numbers represents the inflation between these two periods and was applied to the poverty threshold appropriate for the family (based on the characteristics listed above). For example, for a family interviewed in November 1983, the 1982 poverty threshold was updated to reflect inflation by multiplying by the percent change in the average CPI-U for the 12-month reference period, which would have been November 1982 through October 1983, over the calendar year January through December 1982, in this example. To compute poverty indexes, the midpoint of the total combined family income bracket was divided by the updated poverty threshold.

Members of families with incomes equal to or greater than poverty thresholds have poverty indexes equal to or greater than 1.0 and can be described as "at or above poverty"; those with incomes less than the poverty threshold have indexes less than 1.0 and can be described as "below poverty".

Poverty thresholds used were computed on a national basis only. No attempt was made to adjust these thresholds for regional, State, or other variations in the cost of living. None of the noncash public welfare benefits such as food stamp bonuses were included in the income of the low income families receiving these benefits.

* U.S. Bureau of the Census, Current Population Reports, Series P-60, No. 138, "Characteristics of the Population Below the Poverty Level: 1981", U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington, D.C., March 1983.

U.S. Bureau of the Census, Current Population Reports, Series P-60, No. 144, "Characteristics of the Population Below the Poverty Level: 1982", U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington, D.C., March 1984.
Average Consumer Price Index, all Urban consumers (CPI-U), U.S. city average, 1981-84

| MONTH | YEAR | | | |
|----------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|-------|
| | 1981 | 1982 | 1983 | 1984 |
| January | 260.5 | 282.5 | 293.1 | 305.2 |
| February | 263.2 | 283.4 | 293.2 | 306.6 |
| March | 265.1 | 283.1 | 293.4 | 307.3 |
| April | 266.8 | 284.3 | 295.5 | 308.8 |
| May | 269.0 | 287.1 | 297.1 | 309.7 |
| June | 271.3 | 290.6 | 298.1 | 310.7 |
| July | 274.4 | 292.2 | 299.3 | 311.7 |
| August | 276.5 | 292.8 | 300.3 | 313.0 |
| September | 279.3 | 293.3 | 301.8 | |
| October | 279.9 | 294.1 | 302.6 | |
| November | 280.7 | 293.6 | 303.1 | |
| December | 281.5 | 292.4 | 303.5 | |
| Average | 272.4 | 289.1 | 298.4 | |

Source: U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics

NOTE 13: SIZE OF PLACE AND SMSA

Codes for size of place and SMSA were obtained from U.S. Bureau of the Census summary tape files (STF 1B).

A place is a concentration of population. Most places are incorporated as cities, town, villages or boroughs, but others are defined by the U.S. Bureau of the Census around definite residential nuclei with dense, city-type street patterns, with, ideally, at least 1,000 persons per square mile. The boundaries of Census defined places may not coincide with civil divisions.

A Standard Metropolitan Statistical Area (SMSA) is a large population nucleus and nearby communities which have a high degree of economic and social integration with that nucleus. Generally, an SMSA includes one or more central cities, all urbanized areas around the city or cities, and the remainder of the county or counties in which the urbanized areas are located. SMSAs are designated by the Office of Management and Budget.

The same place size and SMSA codes were assigned to all persons in the same segment (for the definition of segments see Ref. No. 1 in Section C). In a few cases segments were divided by place boundaries. In these cases codes were assigned after inspecting segment maps. If the segment was predominantly in one place, then the place code for that place was used. If the segment was approximately evenly divided, the code for the larger place was used.

NOTE 14: HOME HEATING

Questions E-3 through E-6, pertaining to the main fuel and equipment used for heating the home, appear to have codes which are inconsistent. It has been verified that these are codes that were recorded on the original document; that is, codes that appear inconsistent were not incorrectly keyed.

NOTE 15: MAJOR AND MINOR ECG ABNORMALITIES

| | Minnesota Code | Comments |
|--------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------------|
| <u>Major abnormalities</u> | | |
| Major Q, QS waves | 1.1 or 1.2 except 1.2.8 | Highest code in any leadgroup |
| ST depression | 4.1 or 4.2 | |
| Negative T waves | 5.1 or 5.2 | |
| Complete AV block | 6.1 | Not coded by computer |
| WPW pattern | 6.4 | |
| Artificial pacemaker | 6.8 | Rhythm code 08 |
| Ventricular conduction | 7.1 or 7.2 or 7.4 | |
| <u>Defects</u> | | |
| Atrial fibrillation/flutter | 8.3 | Rhythm code 05 |
| ST elevation | 9.2 | |
| <u>Minor abnormalities</u> | | |
| Minor Q waves | 1.2.8 or 1.3 | |
| High R waves | 3.1 or 3.3 | Any 3.1 or 3.3 code |
| Minor ST codes | 4.3 or 4.4 | |
| Minor T wave codes | 5.3 or 5.4 | |
| Prolonged PR interval | 6.3 | |
| RR' in V1 or V2 | 7.3 or 7.5 | |
| Left anterior fascicular block | 7.7 | |
| Left axis deviation | 2.1.2 | |

NOTE 16: VISUAL CRITERIA FOR DIAGNOSTIC ECG AND EQUIVOCAL ECGs

Probable MI - Diagnostic Q waves - one of:

- Minnesota Code 1.1.1 through 1.2.5 + 1.2.7 for Q and QS Patterns.
- Minnesota code 9.2 for ST segment elevation and a major or T-wave inversion (Minnesota Code 5.1 or 5.2)

Possible MI - Equivocal Q waves or related abnormalities - one of:

- Q and QS Patterns 1.2.8 through 1.3.6
- ST Junction and segment depression 4.1 through 4.3
- T wave items 5.1 through 5.3
- ST segment elevation 9.2

NOTE 17: LIKELIHOOD OF LEFT VENTRICULAR HYPERTROPHY (LVH) ACCORDING TO THE MINNESOTA CODE

Probable LVH: Code 3.1 with code 5.1 or 5.2 or 5.3

Possible LVH: Code 3.1 without code 5.1 and 5.2 and 5.3, OR Any code 3.3

NOTE 18: RANGE OF VALUES FOR MC 1

The range indicated here does not correspond to the actual severity levels of MC 1. See Appendix 1.

NOTE 19: RANGE OF VALUES FOR MC 4

The range indicated here does not correspond to the actual severity levels of MC 4. See Appendix 1.

NOTE 20: RANGE OF VALUES FOR MC 5

The range indicated here does not correspond to the actual severity levels of MC 5. See Appendix 1.

NOTE 21: RANGE OF VALUES FOR MC 9.2

Minnesota Code 9.2 categorizes ST elevation into two levels; 9.2.0 (ST elevation absent), and 9.2.2 (ST elevation present).

NOTE 22: CARDIAC INFARCTION/INJURY SCORE (CIIS)

This ECG coding scheme was developed as a measure of the likelihood of myocardial infarction on a continuous scale. The following thresholds for the score define the likelihood of infarction in a decreasing order:

| | |
|---------------------|----------------|
| Probable infarction | CIIS ≥ 20 |
| Possible infarction | 15 ≤ CIIS < 20 |
| Consider infarction | 10 ≤ CIIS < 15 |

These thresholds correspond to the estimated specificity levels of 98%, 95% and 90%.

Reference: Rautaharju PM, Warren J, Jain U, Wolf HK and Nielsen CL. Cardiac Infarction/Injury Score: An electrocardiographic coding scheme for ischemic heart disease. *Circulation* 64:249-258,1981.

NOTE 23: COEFFICIENTS FOR THE REGRESSION EQUATION USED FOR ECG ESTIMATION OF LEFT VENTRICULAR MASS (LVM) AND LEFT VENTRICULAR MASS INDEX (LVMI)

White and Black Men

| <i>Variables</i> | <i>LVM</i> | <i>LVMI</i> |
|----------------------------------|------------|-------------|
| R amplitude in V5 (μV) | 0.0217 | 0.0100 |
| Q or S amplitude in V1 (μV)* | 0.0338 | 0.0203 |
| Q or S amplitude in III (μV)* | 0.0600 | 0.0287 |
| Negative T amplitude in V6 (μV) | 0.3158 | 0.1819 |
| Positive T amplitude in aVR (μV) | -0.2958 | -0.1482 |
| QRS duration (msec.) | 1.8204 | 1.0485 |
| Intercept | -58.5098 | -36.4290 |

White Women

| <i>Variables</i> | <i>LVM</i> | <i>LVMI</i> |
|---|------------|-------------|
| R amplitude on aVL (μV) | 0.0320 | -- |
| R amplitude in V5 (μV) | 0.0233 | 0.0178 |
| Q or S amplitude in V5 (μV)* | 0.0693 | 0.0528 |
| Q or S amplitude in I (μV)* | -0.1545 | -0.1128 |
| Positive T amplitude in V1 (μV) | 0.1122 | 0.1075 |
| Negative T amplitude in aVF (μV) | -- | 0.1701 |
| Positive T amplitude in V6 (μV) | -0.1236 | -0.0939 |
| Intercept | 134.7722 | 88.4357 |

Black Women

| <i>Variables</i> | <i>LVM</i> | <i>LVMI</i> |
|--|------------|-------------|
| R amplitude in aVL (μV) | -- | 0.0216 |
| R amplitude in I (μV) (R amplitude in V6 + S amplitude in V2) (μV) | 0.0507 | -- |
| R amplitude in V1 | -0.0507 | -- |
| R amplitude in V2 (μV) | -- | -0.0143 |
| Q or S amplitude in V6 (μV)* | -0.0980 | -0.0693 |
| Negative T amplitude in aVL (μV) | -- | 0.199 |
| Negative T amplitude in I (μV) | 0.5225 | -- |
| QRS duration (msec.) | 1.8478 | 0.7460 |
| Intercept | -90.7136 | -22.3064 |

* whichever is larger

The following limits for LVMI are taken to indicate the presence of probable left ventricular hypertrophy:

| | Males | Females |
|--------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|
| Probable LVH | LVMI > 131g/m ² | LVMI > 110g/m ² |

NOTE 24: FRONTAL PLANE QRS AXIS

The algorithm used for QRS axis determination provides a more accurate estimation of the mean frontal plane axis than the approximation used in Minnesota Code 2 according to the conventional visual measurement.

The algorithm used for the QRS axis determination is also used for P and T axis calculation.

Values of QRS integrals (net QRS 'areas', A) determined from the six limb leads are used for the mean frontal plane QRS axis calculation.

Three separate axis angle (ANG) values are calculated from three pairs of limb leads. The lead vectors of these three pairs of leads are assumed to be orthogonal according to the Einthoven's equilateral triangle approximation, and the relative strength of the lead vectors of leads aVR, aVL and aVF are assumed to be $\sqrt{3}/2$ times the lead vector strengths of leads I, II and III. Consequently, the augmented unipolar limb leads are scaled by factor 1.16 in these pairwise calculations of the three angles ANG(1), ANG(2) and ANG(3).

$$\text{ANG}(1) = \text{ARCTG} (1.16 \times A(\text{aVF}), A(\text{I})),$$

$$\text{ANG}(2) = \text{ARCTG} (A(\text{II}), 1.16 \times A(\text{aVF})),$$

$$\text{ANG}(3) = \text{ARCTG} (1.16 \times A(\text{aVR}), A(\text{III})) + 120$$

In case the three values are reasonably consistent, the final mean frontal plane axis is taken as the mean value of these three separate angle determinations. Several inconsistency checks are performed, and if abnormally large discrepancies are found, the angle is termed 'undetermined'.

QRS axis values can be used to identify abnormal axis deviations. Please refer to Appendix 2, Category 2. QRS Axis (*criteria for Category 2*).

SECTION M. NOVACODE ECG MEASUREMENT AND CLASSIFICATION PROGRAM

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Introduction

The Novacode ECG measurement and classification program incorporates the classic Minnesota Code (1) and two more recent ECG classification modules designed for improved estimation of the likelihood of myocardial infarction (MI) (2) and left ventricular hypertrophy (LVH) (3). This document describes these two new ECG classifiers. It also contains the first published report which documents the Minnesota Code ECG wave measurements and ECG codes using logic operators and a glossary of symbols and concise definitions of the variables used in ECG coding. This was done in order to reduce the ambiguities in traditional Minnesota Code definitions for the fairly complex visual ECG wave measurement and classification "rules" when expressed in everyday English (4).

There have been substantial technological improvements in ECG acquisition since the introduction of the Minnesota Code nearly three decades ago and the development of its guidelines for ECG wave identification and measurement. These guidelines were devised for visual ECG measurement of ECG complexes primarily from single-channel ECG tracings. The "majority rule" was introduced in order to cope with beat-to-beat waveform variations caused, for instance, by respiration and muscle noise.

Computer processing of ECGs has considerably enhanced ECG signal quality. It has also introduced the use of a single representative signal-averaged ECG complex for wave measurements instead of beat-by-beat measurements from single-channel ECGs as traditionally done in visual ECG coding. Another recent major change has been the introduction of simultaneous acquisition of all independent components of the standard 12-lead ECG, a new procedure which was used, for instance, in HHANES. This has greatly improved the precision and accuracy of ECG interval measurements, and it has subsequently reduced the variance of ECG interval measurements compared to single-channel measurements used, for instance, in NHANES I. These technological improvements have also necessitated certain revisions in ECG wave definitions and measurement procedures which deviate from the old Minnesota Code guidelines. These differences between the traditional visual Minnesota Code measurements and measurements performed by the Novacode program will be discussed in this document.

A record library composed in 1015 visually coded ECGs was initially available when the Novacode ECG program development was initiated over a decade ago. An iterative program performance optimizing scheme was employed to minimize the discrepancies between computer and visual measurements. Thus, the choice for various thresholds and other program parameters in various wave detection algorithms was made iteratively within a wide range of possible values. The subsequent program development was performed in connection with the Multiple Risk Factor Intervention Trial (MRFIT) which required a parallel visual and computer ECG coding of nearly 100,000 ECGs (5).

Key Characteristics of the Novacode Program

The basic ECG measurement module of the Novacode program was initially developed for processing of both rest and exercise ECGs (6-8). The measurement program was probably the first ECG program which relied on measurements made from representative complexes obtained after clustering and selective averaging instead of making measurements from individual complexes on a beat-to-beat basis. This has resulted in an excellent noise tolerance. A recent revision with an advanced baseline drift correction algorithm has further improved the robustness of the program.

QRS Wave Detection

A. Initial search interval for QRS waves

QRS wave detection is performed on each set of simultaneously recorded ECG leads by detecting the earliest and the latest sign of ventricular excitation. These time coherent demarcation lines are called reference lines C(QRS onset) and D(QRS offset) See figure 1. According to the Minnesota Code measurement rules, the beginning of the Q wave or the initial R wave in any given individually considered lead does not necessarily coincide with time line C, and a refined wave detection algorithm is needed (for excluding so called isoelectric segments) to satisfy the initial QRS wave measurements for the Minnesota Code. The initial search interval for QRS wave detection extends from C-16 msec to D+16 msec.

B. Differences between visual and computer measurements

The Minnesota Code definitions for measurement and classification were formulated as instructions to human coders. In spite of serious attempts at consistent, clear and explicit definitions when the Minnesota Code was initially developed, numerous ambiguities became evident when a systematic effort was made to formulate the definitions following rigid rules of logic. These ambiguities in measurement and coding partially explain the relatively poor repeatability in visual coding of some of the categories.

There are several minor but important differences from visual measurement rules introduced in the Novacode program. In view of the importance of these differences in practical applications, they will be listed next and discussed in some detail.

1. **Baseline:** The Minnesota Code measurement rules suggest that QRS and ST amplitude measurements be made "by measuring the vertical distance between the upper edge of the trace at the beginning of the QRS interval and the upper edge of the trace at the apex of the deflection" (9). (Negative deflections are measured following the lower edge of the tracing.) This baseline definition is valid also for all ST measurements. However, the precise definition of the 'upper edge of the trace at the beginning of QRS interval' is missing. The Novacode program defines the baseline as a smoothed 18 msec. segment centered at 16 msec before the beginning of QRS. This choice, instead of the beginning of QRS, resulted in improved stability and reduced vulnerability to possible minor errors in defining the QRS onset. The Novacode program uses this common baseline for amplitude measurements for all Minnesota Code categories with the exception of Code 5. The inertia of tradition, rather than any sound scientific or technical reason, compelled us to accept, as an interim compromise, the TP baseline for T amplitude measurements.
2. **Majority Rule:** The Novacode program makes measurements from the average complex of the members of the majority cluster formed on the basis of QRS duration, amplitude and RR interval data. The selection of a 'model complex' rather than the average would perhaps be closer to the majority rule followed by visual codes. On the other hand, the choice of the average complex results in a substantially improved consistency and repeatability particularly if the record quality is borderline. There are two important deviations from the majority rule in visual coding which may result in discrepancies in comparison with the measurements made from the average complex. Firstly, the R wave amplitudes for Code 3 are most commonly measured from the 'second to the last good beat' in a given lead group. Secondly, the presence of an initial R wave exceeding $25\mu\text{V}$ in any QRS complex rules out the Q and QS waves in that lead.
3. **Threshold for Initial R Wave Amplitude:** The threshold for the detection of initial R waves from the averaged QRS complex was reduced to $20\mu\text{V}$ from the $25\mu\text{V}$ used by visual

coders for single beat measurements. This improved the agreement between visual and computer coding of Q waves.

- 4 . **Code 2. Frontal Plane QRS Axis:** The coding categories have been rearranged into mutually exclusive groups. A new category is included for borderline left axis deviation.
- 5 . **CODE 4. J Amplitude, ST Slope:** The classic definition of the J point well illustrates the difficulties encountered in the attempts to formulate rapid logic rules for computer coding of ECGs. "The term 'ST-T junction' or 'J' (RS-T junction) should be used to indicate the point or shoulder which marks the end of the QRS complex, the point when steep slopes of the QRS deflections are more or less abruptly replaced by the more gradual slopes which precede or comprise the first limb of the T wave (9)." This definition is further qualified by the following rules: "If more than one change of slope makes J point determination arbitrary, choose the latest one, or if ambiguous, do not code," "If there is no clear S-T demarcation, include the whole length of the line as S-T for coding 4.3."

An analysis of the logic followed by visual coders in identifying J amplitude measurement from single-lead ECG complexes for Code 4 reveals a variety of subjective choices depending on combinations of relative changes in the linearity, slope and amplitude values in the proximity of the apparent end of QRS. In addition, the choice of the ST depression measurement point is different, if the ST segment is 'U-shaped' or 'bell-shaped' without a clearly delineated inflection point suggesting the presence of a definable J point. In fact, three different J points may be chosen to designate the end of QRS, ST depression and ST elevation in a given lead. For instance, in case of a bell-shaped ST segment, the visual coders compare the amplitude of the J point with the amplitude of the inflection point in the beginning of the T wave or T wave nadir amplitude. If J amplitude is larger than that of the latter two amplitudes the whole ST slope is considered negative and the maximum point of the ST segment is measured for coding of ST depression.

Our attempts to define functionally the logic for these diverse definitions of the J point were not entirely successful, to a large extent because of the difficulty in reproducing visual measurements for optimization tests. Therefore, instead of J amplitude, it was decided to select the maximum ST amplitude within the initial part of the ST segment in the interval from QRS end +6 msec. to QRS end + 25 msec. for coding of ST depressions.

Best agreement for ST slope measurements was reached by identifying the minimum 50 msec. slope in the interval from QRS end + 25 msec. to one-third of the total ST-T segment length. Finally, a bell-shaped ST segment is considered to have a negative slope for classification purposes if T wave nadir (amplitude of the first negative wave in the ST-T complex) is more negative than the J amplitude. Admittedly, these decision rules are still more complex than desirable. However, they were able to reproduce with adequate accuracy visual coding in categories 4.1 and 4.2.

The most recent version of the Novacode ECG program is described in detail in (10).

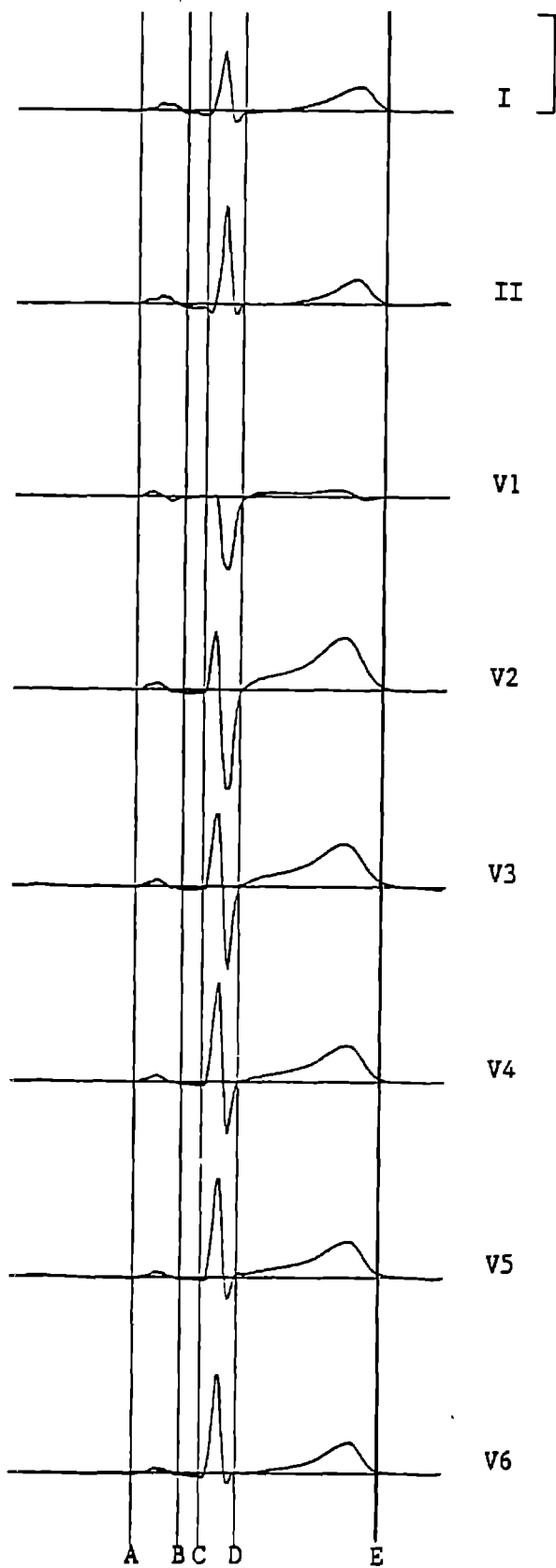


Fig. 1. Representative average complexes of the eight simultaneously recorded ECG leads. Time demarcation lines A to E identify common reference time points for the beginning and end of atrial depolarization (A-B), ventricular depolarization (C-D) and the end of ventricular depolarization (E).

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APPENDIX 1

Glossary of Symbols and Definitions used for Computer Coding of the Minnesota Code

1. Definition of logical operators

- ~ Denotes logical negation. Thus, if $\sim C$ is true, then C is false.
- + Denotes logical disjunction, OR. Thus, if $C + D$ is true, then either C or D is true or both are true. $C + D$ is false only if both C and D are false.
- Elevated period between symbols denotes logical conjunction AND, implying that both C and D are true if $C \cdot D$ is true. If either C or D is false or both are false, then $C \cdot D$ is false.
- $\cap_L [---]$ Denotes extended logical conjunction (AND) for all leads L specified. This is a functional operator whose arguments are in brackets.

Example of extended logical conjunction:

$$V1.1.7 = \cap_L [QS_L]$$

for $L = V1 \rightarrow V4$

V1.1.7 will be true if there is a QS wave
in all of the leads V1, V2, V3 and V4

- $\cup_L [---]$ Denotes extended logical disjunction (OR) for all leads L specified. This is a functional operator whose arguments are in brackets.

Example of extended logical disjunction:

$$V1.2.1 = \cup_L [Q_L \cdot (QR_L \geq 1/3) \cdot (QDUR_L \geq 20 \text{ msec.}) \cdot (QDUR_L < 30 \text{ msec.})]$$

for $L = V2, V3, V4, V5$

V1.2.1 will be true if in at least one of the leads V2, V3, V4 and V5 all of the following conditions are true: there exists a codable Q wave and the ratio of Q wave amplitude to R wave amplitude is greater than or equal to one third and the duration of the Q wave is 20 msec. or more and the duration of the Q wave is less than 30 msec. Otherwise, V1.2.1 will be false.

(Note: The existence of a codable Q wave implies the existence of a codable R wave also. Thus, the ratio QR will never be undefined if a codable Q wave exists.)

2. Definitions of global variables common to all ECG waves.

| | |
|------------------------|---|
| Baseline (L) | A reference amplitude for ECG voltage and time integral measurements. This reference amplitude is taken as the smoothed value at 16 msec. preceding time demarcation line C (QRS onset). Smoothing is done by fitting a quadratic polynomial spanning 18 msec. and centered at C-16 msec. by the method of least squares. |
| Time demarcation lines | Time coherent reference points for all simultaneously recorded ECG leads. These demarcation points identify the beginning and end of the P and QRS waves and the end of the T wave, and they are used for global ECG interval measurements (See figure 1). |
| Line A | Time demarcation point denoting the beginning of atrial excitation (onset of P wave) |
| Line B | Time demarcation point denoting the latest sign of atrial excitation (end of P wave) |
| Line C | Time demarcation point denoting the earliest sign of ventricular excitation (QRS complex) |
| Line D | Time demarcation point denoting the latest sign of ventricular excitation (end of QRS or the J point) |
| Line E | Time demarcation point denoting the latest sign of ventricular repolarization (end of T wave) |

3. Symbols for codable ECG waves

| | |
|---------------------|---|
| INTDEF _L | Intrinsicoid deflection; time interval from the beginning of QRS to the peak of the largest codable positive QRS wave in lead L |
| P _L | Denotes existence of a codable P wave in lead L |
| PNEG _L | Absolute amplitude of negative phase of the P wave in lead L |
| PPOS _L | Absolute amplitude of positive phase of the P wave in lead L |
| Q _L | Denotes the existence of a codable Q wave in lead L |
| QAMP _L | Absolute amplitude of Q wave in lead L |
| QDUR _L | Duration of Q wave in lead L |
| QR _L | Ratio of QAMP to RAMP in lead L |
| QRSDUR _L | Duration of QRS in lead L |
| QS _L | Existence of a codable QS wave in lead L |
| R _L | Existence of a codable R wave in L |
| RAMP _L | Absolute amplitude of the largest codable positive QRS wave (R or R') in lead L |

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|-----------|--|
| $R1_L$ | Absolute amplitude of first codable positive QRS wave in lead L |
| $R2_L$ | Absolute amplitude of R' wave in lead L (largest positive wave following R1, if any) |
| RS_L | Ratio of RAMP to SAMP in lead L |
| RT_L | Ratio of RAMP to TAMP in lead L |
| R'_L | Existence of a codable R' wave in lead L |
| S_L | Existence of a codable S wave in lead L |
| $SAMP_L$ | Absolute amplitude of S wave in lead L |
| STJ_L | Amplitude of J point (QRS offset) in lead L |
| STM_L | Average amplitude of the initial 3/8th of ST-T in lead L |
| STS_L | Slope of least squares line fitted in the window (D + 10 msec.) to (D + 76 msec.) in lead L |
| $SLMIN_L$ | Minimum of all 50 msec. forward slopes calculated in the ST segment excluding the initial 25 msec. in lead L |
| $SL00_L$ | Initial 50 msec. forward slope of ST segment at time point D in lead L |
| $SL25_L$ | 50 msec. forward slope of ST segment at (D + 25 msec.) in lead L |
| $SL50_L$ | 50 msec. forward slope of ST segment at (D + 50 msec.) in lead L |
| $STMAX_L$ | Maximum amplitude of the initial 3/8th portion of the smoothed ST-T segment in lead L |
| $STMIN_L$ | Minimum amplitude of the smoothed ST segment in lead L |

4. Special definitions for ST-T waves for computer coding

| | |
|-----------|---|
| $C(t)$ | Convexity function; a generating function used for identification of positive, negative, flat and multiphasic ST-T waves. The convexity function is computed from the smoothed ST-T complex $S(t)$ according to the following formula: $C(t) = 1/2[S(t - 50) + S(t + 50)] - S(t)$ for all sample points t within the ST-T complex of each lead |
| $AW1_L$ | Amplitude of first wave of ST-T wave train in lead L |
| $AW2_L$ | Amplitude of second wave of ST-T wave train in lead L |
| $AW3_L$ | Amplitude of third wave of ST-T wave train in lead L |
| $TFLAT_L$ | T wave which does not meet criteria for Positive (P) or negative (N) T waves in lead L |

TNEG_L Minimum amplitude (A) of negative wave within terminal 5/8th of ST-T in lead L with $A < -30\mu\text{V}$ and convexity $C > 30\mu\text{V}$

TPOS_L Maximum amplitude of a positive wave within terminal 5/8th of ST-T in lead L with amplitude $A > 5\mu\text{V}$ and convexity $C < -30\mu\text{V}$

5. Logical variable for ST-T wave identification

FFF_L Logical variable denoting that no ST-T waves were detected in lead L

FFN_L Logical variable denoting detection of only one wave which was negative

FFP_L Logical variable denoting detection of only one wave which was positive

FPN_L Logical variable denoting detection of two waves which were in temporal order positive and negative

FNP_L Logical variable denoting detection of two waves which were in temporal order negative and positive

NPN_L Logical variable denoting detection of three waves which were in temporal order negative, positive and negative

PNP_L Logical variable denoting detection of three waves which were in temporal order positive, negative and positive

6. Symbols for measurement units

V Volt

mV millivolt; $V \times 10^{-3}$

μV microvolt; $V \times 10^{-6}$

sec. second

msec. millisecond; $\text{sec.} \times 10^{-3}$

$\mu\text{Vsec.}$ microvolt-second

APPENDIX 2

Minnesota Code, 1982 Version

Category 1. Q and QS Patterns

Category 1. Leadgroup L (Leads I, aVL, V6)

| <u>Code</u> | <u>Expression</u> | <u>Lead</u> |
|-------------|---|-------------|
| L1.1.1 | $\cup_L[Q_L \cdot (QR_L \geq 1/3) \cdot (QDUR_L \geq 30 \text{ msec.})]$ | L = I, V6 |
| L1.1.2 | $\cup_L[Q_L \cdot (QDUR_L \geq 40 \text{ msec.})]$ | L = I, V6 |
| L1.1.3 | $Q_{aVL} \cdot (QDUR_{aVL} \geq 40 \text{ msec.}) \cdot (RAMP_{aVL} \geq 300\mu V)$ | |
| L1.1.6 | $QS_{V6} \cdot (\sim QS_{V5})$ | |
| L1.2.1 | $\cup_L[Q_L \cdot (QR_L \geq 1/3) \cdot (QDUR_L \geq 20 \text{ msec.}) \cdot (QDUR_L < 30 \text{ msec.})]$ | L = I, V6 |
| L1.2.2 | $\cup_L[Q_L \cdot (QDUR_L \geq 30 \text{ msec.}) \cdot (QDUR_L < 40 \text{ msec.})]$ | L = I, V6 |
| L1.3.1 | $\cup_L[Q_L \cdot (QR_L \geq 1/5) \cdot (QR_L < 1/3) \cdot (QDUR_L \geq 20 \text{ msec.}) \cdot (QDUR_L < 30 \text{ msec.})]$ | L = I, V6 |
| L1.3.3 | $Q_{aVL} \cdot (QDUR_{aVL} \geq 30 \text{ msec.}) \cdot (RAMP_{aVL} \geq 300\mu V)$ | |

Category 1. Leadgroup F (Leads II, III, aVF)

| <u>Code</u> | <u>Expression</u> | <u>Lead</u> |
|-------------|---|-------------|
| F1.1.1 | $Q_{II} \cdot (QR_{II} \geq 1/3) \cdot (QDUR_{II} \geq 30 \text{ msec.})$ | |
| F1.1.2 | $Q_{II} \cdot (QDUR_{II} \geq 40 \text{ ms.})$ | |
| F1.1.4 | $Q_{III} \cdot Q_{aVF} \cdot (QDUR_{III} \geq 50 \text{ msec.}) \cdot (QAMP_{aVF} \geq 100\mu V)$ | |
| F1.1.5 | $Q_{aVF} \cdot (QDUR_{aVF} \geq 50 \text{ msec.})$ | |
| F1.2.1 | $Q_{II} \cdot (QR_{II} \geq 1/3) \cdot (QDUR_{II} \geq 20 \text{ msec.}) \cdot (QDUR_{II} < 30 \text{ msec.})$ | |
| F1.2.2 | $Q_{II} \cdot (QDUR_{II} \geq 30 \text{ msec.}) \cdot (QDUR_{II} < 40 \text{ msec.})$ | |
| F1.2.3 | QS_{II} | |
| F1.2.4 | $Q_{III} \cdot Q_{aVF} \cdot (QDUR_{III} \geq 40 \text{ msec.}) \cdot (QDUR_{III} < 50 \text{ msec.}) \cdot (QAMP_{aVF} \geq 100\mu V)$ | |

| | | |
|--------|---|--------------|
| F1.2.5 | $Q_{aVF} \cdot (QDUR_{aVF} \geq 40 \text{ msec.}) \cdot (QDUR_{aVF} < 50 \text{ msec.})$ | |
| F1.2.6 | $\cup_L[Q_L \cdot (QAMP_L \geq 500\mu V)]$ | L = III, aVF |
| F1.3.1 | $Q_{II} \cdot (QR_{II} \geq 1/5) \cdot (QR_{II} < 1/3) \cdot (QDUR_{II} \geq 20 \text{ msec.}) \cdot (QDUR_{II} < 30 \text{ msec.})$ | |
| F1.3.4 | $Q_{III} \cdot Q_{aVF} \cdot (QDUR_{III} \geq 30 \text{ msec.}) \cdot (QDUR_{III} < 40 \text{ msec.}) \cdot (QAMP_{aVF} \geq 100\mu V)$ | |
| F1.3.5 | $(QDUR_{aVF} \geq 30 \text{ msec.}) \cdot (QDUR_{aVF} < 40 \text{ msec.})$ | |
| F1.3.6 | $QS_{III} \cdot QS_{aVF}$ | |

Category 1. Leadgroup V (Leads V1, V2, V3, V4, V5)

| <u>Code</u> | <u>Expression</u> | <u>Lead</u> |
|-------------|---|-------------|
| V1.1.1 | $\cup_L[Q_L \cdot (QR_L \geq 1/3) \cdot (QDUR_L \geq 30 \text{ msec.})]$ | L = V2 → V5 |
| V1.1.2 | $\cup_L[Q_L \cdot (QDUR_L \geq 40 \text{ msec.})]$ | L = V1 → V5 |
| V1.1.6 | $\cup_L[QS_L \cdot (\sim QS_{L-1})]$ | L = V2 → V5 |
| V1.1.7 | $\cap_L(QS_L)$ | L = V1 → V4 |
| V1.2.1 | $\cup_L[Q_L \cdot (QR_L \geq 1/3) \cdot (QDUR_L \geq 20 \text{ msec.}) \cdot (QDUR_L < 30 \text{ msec.})]$ | L = V2 → V5 |
| V1.2.2 | $\cup_L[Q_L \cdot (QDUR_L \geq 30 \text{ msec.}) \cdot (QDUR_L < 40 \text{ msec.})]$ | L = V2 → V5 |
| V1.2.7 | $\cap_L(QS_L)$ | L = V1 → V3 |
| V1.2.8 | $\cup_L[R_L \cdot R_{L+1} \cdot (R_L > 200 \mu V) \cdot (R_{L+1} \leq 200 \mu V)]$ | L = V2 → V5 |
| V1.3.1 | $\cup_L[Q_L \cdot (QR_L \geq 1/5) \cdot (QR_L < 1/3) \cdot (QDUR_L \geq 20 \text{ msec.}) \cdot (QDUR_L < 30 \text{ msec.})]$ | L = V2 → V5 |
| V1.3.2 | $QS_{V1} \cdot QS_{V2} \cdot (RAMP_{V5} \leq 2600\mu V) \cdot (RAMP_{V6} \leq 2600\mu V)$ | |

Category 2. QRS Axis

Criteria for Category 2

| <u>Code</u> | <u>Expression</u> | <u>Description</u> |
|-------------|--|---------------------------------|
| C2.0 | $90^\circ \geq \text{AXIS} \geq 0^\circ$ | Normal Axis |
| C2.1.1 | $0^\circ > \text{AXIS} > -30^\circ$ | Borderline Left Axis Deviation |
| C2.1.2 | $-30^\circ \geq \text{AXIS} > -90^\circ$ | Left Axis Deviation |
| C2.2.1 | $90^\circ \leq \text{AXIS} < 120^\circ$ | Borderline Right Axis Deviation |
| C2.2.2 | $\text{AXIS} \geq 120^\circ + \text{AXIS} \leq -150^\circ$ | Right Axis Deviation |
| C2.3 | $-150^\circ < \text{AXIS} \leq -90^\circ$ | Extreme Axis Deviation |
| C2.4 | Axis not computed because measurements are incomplete | Undetermined Axis |

Category 3. High Amplitude R Waves and Related Items

A hierarchical classification is performed using the following sequence:

| <u>Code</u> | <u>Expression</u> | <u>Lead</u> |
|-------------|--|---------------------|
| C3.1.1 | $(\text{C3.1.2} + \text{C3.1.3} + \text{C3.1.4}) \cdot \text{C3.2}$ | |
| C3.1.2 | $\cup_L(\text{RAMP}_L > 2600\mu\text{V})$ | L = V5, V6 |
| C3.1.3 | $\cup_L(\text{RAMP}_L > 2000\mu\text{V})$ | L = I, II, III, aVF |
| C3.1.4 | $\text{RAMP}_{aVL} > 1200\mu\text{V}$ | |
| C3.2 | $\cup_L(\text{RAMP}_L < \text{SAMP}_L) \cdot (\text{RAMP}_{V1} > 500\mu\text{V}) \cdot (\text{RAMP}_{V1} > \text{SAMP}_{V1})$ | L = V2 → V6 |
| C3.3.1 | $(\text{RAMP}_I > 1500\mu\text{V}) \cdot (\text{RAMP}_I < 2000\mu\text{V})$ | |
| C3.3.2 | $[(\text{RAMP}_{V5} + \text{QSAMP}_{V1}) > 3500\mu\text{V}] + [(\text{RAMP}_{V6} + \text{QSAMP}_{V1}) > 3500\mu\text{V}]$ where QSAMP_L is the larger of QAMP_L and SAMP_L | |

Category 4. ST Abnormalities

Definitions

$$AMAX_L = \text{MIN} [1/2(STJ_L + STMAX_L), STMAX_L]$$

$$C411(L) = (AMAX_L < -200\mu V) \cdot (S25_L < 0.15\text{mV/sec}) \cdot (S50_L < 0.15\text{mV/sec})$$

$$C412(L) = (AMAX_L < -100\mu V) \cdot (S25_L < 0.15\text{mV/sec}) \cdot (S50_L < 0.15\text{mV/sec})$$

$$C42(L) = (AMAX_L < -50\mu V) \cdot (S25_L < 0.15\text{mV/sec}) \cdot (S50_L < 0.15\text{mV/sec})$$

$$C43(L) = (AMAX_L \geq -50\mu V) \cdot (S25_L < -0.15\text{mV/sec}) \cdot (S50_L < -0.15\text{mV/sec})$$

- $(SLMIN_L < -0.20\text{mV/sec}) \cdot [(STMIN < -50\mu V) + (W1 < -50\mu V)]$
- $(STJ_L < STJ_L - 6\mu V)$

$$C44(L) = [(S25_L \geq 0.15\text{mV/sec}) + (S50_L \geq 0.15\text{mV/sec})] \cdot [1/2(STJ_L + STMIN_L) \leq -100\mu V]$$

Criteria for Category 4

Category 4. Leadgroup L (Leads I, aVL, V6)

| <u>Code</u> | <u>Expression</u> | <u>Lead</u> |
|-------------|-------------------|----------------|
| L4.1.1 | $\cup_L[C411(L)]$ | L = I, aVL, V6 |
| L4.1.2 | $\cup_L[C412(L)]$ | L = I, aVL, V6 |
| L4.2 | $\cup[C42(L)]$ | L = I, aVL, V6 |
| L4.3 | $\cup_L[C43(L)]$ | L = I, aVL, V6 |
| L4.4 | $\cup_L[C44(L)]$ | L = I, aVL, V6 |

Category 4. Leadgroup F (Leads II, III, aVF)

| <u>Code</u> | <u>Expression</u> | <u>Lead</u> |
|-------------|-------------------|-------------|
| F4.1.1 | $\cup_L[C411(L)]$ | L = II, aVF |
| F4.1.2 | $\cup_L[C412(L)]$ | L = II, aVF |
| F4.2 | $\cup_L[C42(L)]$ | L = II, aVF |
| F4.3 | C43(II) | |
| F4.4 | C44(II) | |

Category 4. Leadgroup V (Leads V1, V2, V3, V4, V5)

| <u>Code</u> | <u>Expression</u> | <u>Lead</u> |
|-------------|-------------------|-------------|
| V4.1.1 | $\cup_L[C411(L)]$ | L = VI → V5 |
| V4.1.2 | $\cup_L[C412(L)]$ | L = V1 → V5 |
| V4.2 | $\cup_L[C42(L)]$ | L = V1 → V5 |
| V4.3 | $\cup_L[C43(L)]$ | L = V2 → V5 |
| V4.4 | $\cup_L[C44(L)]$ | L = V1 → V5 |

Category 5* T wave abnormalities

Definitions

$$C51(L) = FFN_L \cdot (AW3_L \leq -500\mu V) + FNP_L \cdot (AW2_L \leq -500\mu V) + FPN_L \cdot (AW3_L \leq -500\mu V) + NPN_L \cdot (AW1_L \leq -500\mu V) + NPN_L \cdot (AW3_L \leq -500\mu V) + PNP_L \cdot (AW2_L \leq -500\mu V)$$

$$C52(L) = FFN_L \cdot (AW3_L \leq -100\mu V) + FNP_L \cdot (AW2_L \leq -100\mu V) + FPN_L \cdot (AW3_L \leq -100\mu V) + NPN_L \cdot (AW1_L \leq -100\mu V) + NPN_L \cdot (AW3_L \leq -100\mu V) + PNP_L \cdot (AW2_L \leq -100\mu V)$$

$$C53(L) = FFF_L \cdot (TPOS_L \leq 6\mu V) + FFN_L \cdot (AW3_L > -100\mu V) + FNP_L \cdot (AW2_L > -100\mu V) + NPN_L \cdot (AW1_L > -100\mu V) + (AW3_L > -100\mu V) + PNP_L \cdot (AW2_L > -100\mu V)$$

$$C54(L) = FFF_L \cdot (TPOS_L > 6\mu V) \cdot (RT_L > 20\mu V) \cdot (RAMP_L > 1000\mu V) + FFP_L \cdot (RT_L > 20\mu V) \cdot (RAMP_L > 1000\mu V)$$

$$UPRIGHT(L) = R_L \cdot Q_L \cdot S_L \cdot (RAMP_L > QAMP_L) \cdot (RAMP_L > SAMP_L) + R_L \cdot Q_L \cdot \sim S_L \cdot (RAMP_L > QAMP_L) + R_L \cdot \sim Q_L \cdot S_L \cdot (RAMP_L > SAMP_L) + R_L \cdot \sim Q_L \cdot \sim S_L$$

*if TPR is $> 0\mu V$ then TPR is subtracted from AW1, AW2 and AW3 before coding. TPR is the T-offset baseline relative to the PR baseline.

Criteria for Category 5

Category 5. Leadgroup L (Leads I, aVL, V6)

| <u>Code</u> | <u>Expression</u> | <u>Lead</u> |
|-------------|--|-------------|
| L5.1 | $C51(I) + C51(aVL) \cdot (RAMP_{aVL} \geq 500\mu V) + C51(V6)$ | |
| L5.2 | $C52(I) + C52(aVL) \cdot (RAMP_{aVL} \geq 500\mu V) + C52(V6)$ | |
| L5.3 | $C53(I) + C53(aVL) \cdot (RAMP_{aVL} \geq 500\mu V)$ | |
| L5.4 | $C54(I) + C54(aVL) + C54(V6)$ | |

Category 5. Leadgroup F (Leads II, aVF)

| <u>Code</u> | <u>Expression</u> | <u>Lead</u> |
|-------------|---|-------------|
| F5.1 | $C51(II) + C51(aVF) \cdot UPRIGHT(aVF)$ | |
| F5.2 | $C52(II) + C52(aVF) \cdot UPRIGHT(aVF)$ | |
| F5.3 | $C53(II)$ | |
| F5.4 | $C54(II)$ | |

Category 5. Leadgroup V (Leads V1, V2, V3, V4, V5)

| <u>Code</u> | <u>Expression</u> | <u>Lead</u> |
|-------------|-------------------|-------------------------|
| V5.1 | $\cup_L[C51(L)]$ | $L = V2 \rightarrow V5$ |
| V5.2 | $\cup_L[C52(L)]$ | $L = V2 \rightarrow V5$ |
| V5.3 | $\cup_L[C53(L)]$ | $L = V3 \rightarrow V5$ |
| V5.4 | $\cup_L[C54(L)]$ | $L = V3 \rightarrow V5$ |

Category 6. A-V Conduction

Codes 6.1 and 6.2 (complete and second degree AV blocks, Mobitz Type II and Wenckebach) have not been implemented in the Novacode ECG Program because of the uncertainty in computer recognition of P waves uncoupled to QRS complexes. These abnormalities are rare in populations outside hospital settings.

Code 6.3 Prolonged PR interval

Ancillary definition:

PR-frontal Denotes the second largest PR interval in the six limb leads I, II, III, aVR, aVL, aVF that does not differ from their median PR interval by more than 50 msec.

C6.3 = PR-frontal > 220 msec.

Code 6.4 WPW pattern

C6.4 = $\cup_L[(PR_L < 120 \text{ msec.}) \cdot (INTDEF_L \geq 60 \text{ msec.}) \cdot (QRSDUR_L \geq 120 \text{ msec.})]$
for L = I, II, aVL, V4, V5, V6

Code 6.5 Short PR pattern

Ancillary definition:

PR-large Denotes the largest PR interval in the limb leads that does not differ from their median value by more than 50 msec.

C6.5 = PR-large < 120 msec.

Category 7. Ventricular Conduction Defections

Definitions

$$\text{UPRIGHT}_L = [(\text{RAMP}_L > \text{QAMP}_L) \cdot (\text{RAMP}_L > \text{SAMP}_L)]$$

$$\text{KNT} = \text{Number of leads from the conventional 12 leads with QRS duration} > 120 \text{ msec.}$$

Criteria for Category 7

Code 7.1 Left Bundle Branch Block

$$\text{C7.1} = \cup_L (\text{INTDEF}_L \geq 60 \text{ msec.}) \cdot (\text{KNT} \geq 2) \\ \text{for } L = \text{I, II, aVL, V5, V6}$$

Code 7.2 Right Bundle Branch Block

$$\text{C7.2} = (\text{KNT} \geq 2) \cdot \cup_L [(\text{R}'\text{AMP}_L > \text{R}_1\text{AMP}_L) + \\ (\text{UPRIGHT}_L \cdot \text{INTDEF}_L \geq 60 \text{ msec.})] \\ \text{for } L = \text{V1, V2}$$

Code 7.3 Incomplete Right Bundle Branch Block

$$\text{C7.3} = \cup_L [(\text{R}'\text{AMP}_L > \text{R}_1\text{AMP}_L) \cdot (\text{R}'\text{AMP}_L > 100\mu\text{V}) \cdot (\text{R}_1\text{AMP}_L > 25\mu\text{V})] \\ \text{for } L = \text{V1, V2}$$

Code 7.4 Intraventricular Block

$$\text{C7.4} = (\text{KNT} \geq 2) \cdot (\sim 7.1) \cdot (\sim 7.2)$$

Code 7.5 RR' Pattern in V1 or V2

$$\text{C7.5} = \cup_L [(\text{R}'\text{AMP}_L > \text{R}_1\text{AMP}_L) \cdot (\text{R}'\text{AMP}_L > 100\mu\text{V}) \cdot (\text{R}_1\text{AMP}_L > 25\mu\text{V})] \\ \text{for } L = \text{V1, V2}$$

Code 7.6 Incomplete Left Bundle Branch Block

$$\text{C7.6} = \cup_L [(\text{QSDUR}_L \geq 100 \text{ msec.}) \cdot (\text{QSDUR}_L < 120 \text{ msec.})] \\ \text{for } L = \text{I, aVL, V5}$$

Code 7.7 Left Anterior Fascicular Block

$$\text{C7.7} = \cup_L (\text{QDUR}_L < 120 \text{ msec.}) \cdot (\text{QAMP}_1 > 25\mu\text{V}) \cdot \\ (\text{QDUR}_1 < 30 \text{ msec.}) \cdot (\text{QRSAXIS} < -45) \\ \text{for } L = \text{I, II, III, aVL, aVF}$$

Category 8. Arrhythmias

Minnesota Code definitions not implemented. Arrhythmias reported are coded by the Dalhousie ECG Program. The primary purpose of providing rhythm codes for health surveys and epidemiologic studies is to identify a major subset with no significant arrhythmias (Code 01, Sinus rhythm),

Category 9. Miscellaneous Codes

Code 9.1 Low Amplitude QRS

$$C9.1A = \cap_L [((RAMP_L + SAMP_L) < 500\mu V) \cdot ((RAMP_L + QAMP_L) < 500\mu V)] \\ \text{for } L = I, II, III$$

$$C9.1B = \cap_L [((RAMP_L + SAMP_L) < 1000\mu V) \cdot ((RAMP_L + QAMP_L) < 1000\mu V)] \\ \text{for } L = V1 \rightarrow V6$$

$$C9.1 = C9.1A + C9.1B$$

Code 9.2 ST Elevation

Code 9.2 Leadgroup L (Leads I, aVL, V6)

$$C9.2.L = \cup_L [(STMIN_L \geq 100\mu V) \cdot (STJ_L \geq 100\mu V) \cdot (TPR_L < 300\mu V) \cdot \\ (TPR_L > -300\mu V)] \\ \text{for } L = I, aVL, V6$$

Code 9.2 Leadgroup F (Leads II, III and aVF)

$$C9.2.F = \cup_L [(STMIN_L > 100\mu V) \cdot (STJ_L > 100\mu V) \cdot (TPR_L < 300\mu V) \cdot \\ (TPR_L > -300\mu V)] \\ \text{for } L = I, II, aVF$$

Code 9.2 Leadgroup V (Leads V1, V2, V3, V4, V5)

$$C9.2V = \cup_L [(STMIN_L \geq 200\mu V) \cdot (STJ_L \geq 200\mu V) \cdot (TPR_L < 300\mu V) \cdot \\ (TPR_L > -300\mu V)] \\ \text{for } L = V1 \rightarrow V5$$

Code 9.3 **High Amplitude P Wave**

Definition

$$RS_L = RAMP_L / SAMP_L$$

Criteria for code 9.3

$$C9.3 = \cup_L (PAMP_L \geq 250\mu V) \\ \text{for } L = \text{II, III, aVF}$$

Code 9.4.1 **QRS Transition Zone at V3 or to the right of V3**

$$C9.4.1 = [(RS_{V3} \geq 1) \cdot (RS_{V2} < 1)] + [(RS_{V2} \geq 1) \cdot (RS_{V1} < 1)]$$

Code 9.4.2 **QRS Transition Zone between V4 and V6 or at V6**

$$C9.4.2 = (RS_{V4} < 1) \cdot \sim C9.4.1$$

Code 9.5 **High Amplitude T wave**

$$C9.5 = \cup_L (TPOS_L > 1200\mu V) \\ \text{for } L = \text{I, II, III, aVR, aVL, aVF, V1} \rightarrow \text{V6}$$

