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*Medicare CAHPS (MCAHPS) 2023 Data Dictionary*  
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# **I. User Guide**

The table below details the Medicare Consumer Assessment of Healthcare Providers and Systems (MCAHPS) survey types, sample coverage, and type of care assessed. The table is included to provide context for the contents of this data dictionary as well as information on the specific years for which different types of data are available.

Glossary of 2007-2023 MCAHPS Survey Types and Coverage*			
Survey Type	Administered to Following Coverage Type	Care Addressed	Years
Medicare Advantage Prescription Drug (MA-PD)	MA-PD	All aspects of care (Part C and Part D)	2007-2023
Medicare Advantage Only (MA-Only)	MA-Only	Part C aspects of care (there is no Part D)	2007-2023
Medicare Advantage Preferred Provider Organization (PPO)	MA-PPO	All aspects of care (Part C and Part D)	2008-2012
Prescription Drug Plan (PDP)	FFS+PDP	Part D aspects of care	2011-2023
Fee-For-Service (FFS)	FFS-Only and FFS+PDP	Non-Part D aspects of care	2011-2023
Fee-For-Service Only (FFS-Only)	FFS-Only	Part C aspects of care (there is no part D)	2007-2010
Fee-For-Service and Prescription Drug Plan (FFS+PDP)	FFS+PDP	All aspects of care (Part C and Part D)	2007-2010

\*Note: No MA and PDP CAHPS survey administration occurred in 2020.

This data dictionary is presented in two volumes (indicated by Version 2 on the title page). Volume 1 contains content specific to the Medicare Advangage (MA) and Prescription Drug Plan (PDP) CAHPS surveys. Volume 2 contains content specific to the Fee-For-Service (FFS) survey. Other data dictionaries are presented in a combined format (indicated by Version 1 on the title page).

Helpful links with information about each of the surveys:

- MA and PDP CAHPS
  - [www.ma-pdcahps.org](http://www.ma-pdcahps.org)
  - [www.cms.gov/Research-Statistics-Data-and-Systems/Research/CAHPS/mcahps.html](http://www.cms.gov/Research-Statistics-Data-and-Systems/Research/CAHPS/mcahps.html)
- FFS CAHPS
  - [www.cms.gov/Research-Statistics-Data-and-Systems/Research/CAHPS/ffscahps.html](http://www.cms.gov/Research-Statistics-Data-and-Systems/Research/CAHPS/ffscahps.html)

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## Summary of Sections

### II. 2023 MCAHPS Data Contents

This section summarizes the variables included in the requested data. The table below describes the sources or types of variables in the data. Part A of this section includes a list of all variable names as well as variable labels and formats. The standard file format is SAS and the format program included with the data delivery should be used with the data to view formatted values. The second table in this section provides a more detailed description of particular variables of interest. Part B includes the valid values for each variable, displayed in alphabetically sorted tables for each variable. Variables without formats (i.e. text variables, dates, etc) are not presented here.

Variable Types in the MCAHPS Survey Data		
Variable Type	Variable Prefix	Description
Analytic survey variables	Varies according to question topic (i.e. ma_, ins_, ca_, etc)	Variables that directly correspond to survey items
Derived variables	ws_	Variables created during data processing to summarize survey completeness
Survey processing variables	su_	Variables created by survey vendors to identify information about data collection
Administrative variables	sa_	Variables that contain enrollment and demographic information about the beneficiary
Reverse-coded variables	r_	Reverse-coded variables that directly correspond to the original survey variables

### III. 2023 Question and Variable Key

The question key table provides exact question text for each survey item and the corresponding analytic variable name. This table also identifies which survey types contain a specific question along with the question number for that survey. Any differences in question text associated with survey version are noted.

### IV. Crosswalk: 2007 to 2023

The crosswalk tables summarize the presence of analytic variables across all years of survey administration. There is a separate crosswalk table for each survey type. The crosswalk tables document the question number for each survey item in each year and whether the item should be reverse-coded for analysis.

### V. Composites: 2007 to 2023

The composite crosswalk tables summarize the composite items across all years of survey administration. There is a separate composite crosswalk table for each survey type. The composite crosswalk tables document the question number for each survey item in each year and the survey items that comprise each composite.

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## **II. 2023 MCAHPS Data Contents**

## A. 2023 MCAHPS Analytic Data Contents

The following table is a complete list of all variables in the 2023 MCAHPS analytic data. In addition to analytic survey variables, these data contain several administrative and derived variables. These variables names begin with character combinations to indicate that they are not survey variables and their meanings are as follows:

- **ws\_ - Westat derived variables**
- **su\_ - Survey processing variables**
- **sa\_ - Administrative variables**
- **r\_ - Survey variables with response categories reverse-coded**

name	LABEL	FORMAT
ins_have_oth	RECODE : Have health insurance other than medicare	YNA
ins_medigap	RECODE : Other insurance-medigap supplemental	YNE
ins_employer	RECODE : Other insurance-employer, union	YNE
ins_veteran	RECODE : Other insurance-veteran benefit	YNE
ins_military	RECODE : Other insurance-military tricare	YNE
ins_medicaid	RECODE : Other insurance-medicaid	YNE
ins_ma_pdp	RECODE : Other insurance-medicare pdp	YNE
ins_other	RECODE : Other insurance-other	YNE
ins_other_txt	RECODE : Other insurance-other, specify	
ins_medicare	RECODE : Other insurance-none other than medicare	YNE
ca_illness	RECODE : Last 6 mths, illness or injury requiring immediate care by clinic, er, or dr	YNA
ca_illasaw	RECODE : Last 6 mths, how often get care for illness/injury as soon as needed	OFA
ca_routine	RECODE : Last 6 mths, make appointment for routine care with dr or clinic	YNA
ca_rtnasaw	RECODE : Last 6 mths, how often get appt for routine care as soon as needed	OFA
ca_visits	RECODE : Last 6 mths, how many dr/clinic visits for routine care	NMA
ca_wt15mns	RECODE : Last 6 mths, how often seen within 15 minutes of appointment	OFA
rate_care	RECODE : Last 6 mths, rate health care	RTA
md_have	RECODE : Do you have a personal md	YNA
md_visits	RECODE : Last 6 mths, number of visits to personal md for your care	NMA
md_explain	RECODE : Last 6 mths, how often personal md explain things	OFA
md_listen	RECODE : Last 6 mths, how often personal md listen carefully	OFA
md_respect	RECODE : Last 6 mths, how often personal md show respect	OFA
md_sptime	RECODE : Last 6 mths, how often personal md spend enough time with you	OFA
rate_md	RECODE : Rate personal md	RTA
md_medrecs	RECODE : Last 6 mths, how often md office have medical records	OFA
md_test	RECODE : Last 6 mths, personal md ordered blood test/x-ray/other	YNA
md_testfup	RECODE : Last 6 mths, how often md office follow up with test results	OFA
md_testasan	RECODE : Last 6 mths, how often got test results as soon as needed	OFA
md_rxmeds	RECODE : Last 12 mths, took any prescription medicine	YNA
md_talkmeds	RECODE : Last 6 mths, how often personal md talk about all rx medicines	OFA
md_morethan1	RECODE : Last 6 mths, got care from more than one provider	YNA
md_needmngca	RECODE : Last 6 mths, needed help from personal md to manage care	YNA
md_getmngca	RECODE : Last 6 mths, got help from personal md to manage care	YNB
sp_persmd	RECODE : Personal md is a specialist	YNA
sp_tryappt	RECODE : Last 6 mths, try to make appointments with specialist	YNA
sp_getappt	RECODE : Last 6 mths, how often easy to get appointments with specialists	OFA
sp_visits	RECODE : Last 6 mths, number of specialists seen	NMB
rate_spec	RECODE : Rate specialist seen most often	RTA
sp_mdinformd	RECODE : Last 6 mths, how often personal md up-to-date on care from specialists	OFA
md_change	RECODE : How likely to change doctors if dissatisfied with dr communication	LIKE

name	LABEL	FORMAT
md_disagree	RECODE : How likely to tell doctor you disagree with him or her	LIKE
md_leavansr	RECODE : How often leave doctor office feeling all concerns were fully answered	OFA
md_result	RECODE : How often did you make sure you understood the results of medical tests	OFA
pl_getcare	RECODE : Last 6 mths, how often easy to get care/tests/treatment through health plan	OFA
pl_paperwk	RECODE : Last 6 mths, health plan give forms to fill out	YNA
pl_ezpaper	RECODE : Last 6 mths, how often health plan forms easy to fill out	OFA
rate_plan	RECODE : Rate health plan	RTA
pl_hospovn	RECODE : Last 6 mths, spend one or more nights in a hospital	YNA
cs_cstryinfo	RECODE : Last 6 mths, try to get info or help from health plan customer service	YNA
cs_csgetinfo	RECODE : Last 6 mths, how often health plan customer service give info	OFA
cs_csrespect	RECODE : Last 6 mths, how often health plan customer service treat w/respect and courtesy	OFA
ghs	RECODE : Rate overall general health	RTB
mhs	RECODE : Rate overall mental health	RTB
rxezmeds	RECODE: Last 6 mths, easy to get medicines doctor prescribed	OFA
rxinspay	RECODE: Have insurance that pays part or all the cost of rx medicines	YNA
rxdelay	RECODE : Last 6 mths, delayed filling rx meds because of cost	YNA
pdpenroll	RECODE: Currently enrolled in a medicare part d plan (prescription drug plan)	YNA
mtm_enrollprog	RECODE : Enrolled in a medicare part d medication therapy management program	YNA
mtm_medansr	RECODE : Health care provider call or meet with you to review medications	YNA
mtm_meduse	RECODE : Review increase your understanding of medications and how to use them	USE
mtm_summ	RECODE : Did you receive a printed summary of your medication review	YNA
mtm_info	RECODE : How satisfied with information in the printed summary of the review	SAT
mtm_prog	RECODE : How satisfied with the medication therapy management program	SAT
cnd_heartattack	RECODE : Dr ever said had: heart attack	YNA
cnd_angina	RECODE : Dr ever said had: angina or coronary heart disease	YNA
cnd_hbp	RECODE : Dr ever said had: hypertension or high blood pressure	YNA
cnd_cancer	RECODE : Dr ever said had: cancer, other than skin cancer	YNA
cnd_copd	RECODE : Dr ever said had: emphysema, asthma or copd	YNA
cnd_diabetes	RECODE : Dr ever said had: diabetes or high blood sugar	YNA
prob_errands	RECODE : Do you have difficulty doing errands alone	YNA
im_flu1last	RECODE : Had a flu shot since july 1, 2022	YNA
im_pneum	RECODE : Ever had pneumonia shot	YNA
smokenow	RECODE : How often do you now smoke	WNE
smokequit	RECODE : Last 6 mths, how often advised to quit smoking by md	OFA
agecat	Age category derived from sa_age	AGE
educ	RECODE : Highest education level completed	EDU
race_hisp	RECODE : Hispanic or latino origin/descent	HSP
race_white	RECODE : Race: white	YNE
race_black	RECODE : Race: black or african american	YNE
race_asian	RECODE : Race: asian	YNE
race_pacific	RECODE : Race: native hawaiian or other pacific islander	YNE
race_natamer	RECODE : Race: american indian or alaska native	YNE
proxy	RECODE : Someone helped complete survey	YNA
proxy_read	RECODE : How helped: proxy read questions	YNE
proxy_writ	RECODE : How helped: proxy wrote answers	YNE
proxy_answ	RECODE : How helped: proxy answered questions	YNE
proxy_tran	RECODE : How helped: proxy translated questions	YNE
proxy_othr	RECODE : How helped: proxy helped other way	YNE
living_numinhh	RECODE : Number of people living in household	NMD
lim_bathing	RECODE : Physical problem limits: bathing	DIF
lim_dressing	RECODE : Physical problem limits: dressing	DIF
lim_eating	RECODE : Physical problem limits: eating	DIF
lim_chairs	RECODE : Physical problem limits: using chairs	DIF
lim_walking	RECODE : Physical problem limits: walking	DIF



name	LABEL	FORMAT
lim_toilet	RECODE : Physical problem limits: using toilet	DIF
web_at_home	RECODE : Do you ever use the internet at home	YNA
recontact	RECODE : Medicare program may recontact about health care services received	YNA
ws_wes_comp	WESTAT: Complete for analysis and reporting	WESCOF
ws_answered	WESTAT: Number of substantive or evaluative items answered	
su_type	Survey type (1-4)	\$TYPEF
su_supp_items	Total number of supplemental items added by the plan	
su_received	Date survey data collected	
su_mode	Survey data collection mode	\$MODEF
su_dispositn	Final disposition code	\$FDISPF
su_dispo_lang	Language of survey data collection	\$LANGF
sa_type	Ma & pdp survey type (1-4)	STP
sa_st_abbr	Fips state abbreviation	
sa_spanish_ind	Spanish language flag (medicare & you)	\$ID_F
sa_snp_type	Part d special needs plan type	\$SNP
sa_sex	Sex of beneficiary	\$GNDF
sa_region	Region defined using sa_st_abbr/sa_fips_state	RGN
sa_race	Beneficiary race	\$RACEF
sa_ptdppb	Part d plan id	
sa_ptdentrc	Part d health plan id	
sa_ptd_type	Part d plan type	\$PBT
sa_ptd_snp	Part d special needs plan	\$ID_F
sa_ptd_prm_c	Part d premium range	\$PRM
sa_ptabppb	Part a-b plan id	
sa_ptabentrc	Part a-b health plan id	
sa_ptab_type	Part a-b plan type	\$PBT
sa_plan_name	Plan name	
sa_pffs	Private fee for service plan	
sa_pbp_type	Plan type of surveyed plan	\$PBT
sa_pbp_num	Plan id of surveyed plan	
sa_partd_stus	Part d status	\$ID_F
sa_org_entlmt	Original reason for entitlement	\$OEN
sa_mmp	WESTAT: Mmp plan	
sa_mdcr_stus	Reason for beneficiary entitlement	\$MCR
sa_mdcd_stus	Sample members who are dual eligible	\$ID_F
sa_mbi_id	Medicare beneficiary identifier (mbi)	
sa_lis	Low income subsidy	\$ID_F
sa_incarc_sw	Incarceration flag	\$ID_F
sa_fpl_pct	Federal poverty level percent code	\$FPL
sa_fips_state	Fips state code	
sa_fips_cnty	Fips county code	
sa_dodeath	Date of death of beneficiary	
sa_dob	Date of birth of beneficiary	
sa_disbld	Disabled flag	\$ID_F
sa_deemd_lis	Deemed for low income subsidy	\$ID_F
sa_deemd_cpmt	Generic level for copay computation	\$GENLEVF
sa_cvrg_type	Part a-b coverage type	\$CVT
sa_cntrct_num	Health plan id of surveyed plan	
sa_age	Age derived as su_received - sa_dob	
r_pdp enroll	REVERSED: Currently enrolled in a medicare part d plan (prescription drug plan)	YND
r_mtm_summ	REVERSED: Did you receive a printed summary of your medication review	YND
r_mtm_prog	REVERSED: How satisfied with the medication therapy management program	SATR
r_mtm_meduse	REVERSED: Review increase your understanding of medications and how to use them	USER
r_mtm_medansr	REVERSED: Health care provider call or meet with you to review medications	YND

name	LABEL	FORMAT
r_mtm_info	REVERSED: How satisfied with information in the printed summary of the review	SATR
r_mhs	REVERSED: Rate mental health	RTC
r_md_getmngca	REVERSED: Last 6 mths, got help from personal md to manage care	YNC
r_md_disagree	REVERSED: How likely to tell doctor you disagree with him or her	LIKER
r_md_change	REVERSED: How likely to change doctors if dissatisfied with dr communication	LIKER
r_im_pneum	REVERSED: Ever had a pneumonia shot	YND
r_im_flu1last	REVERSED: Flu shot last year	YND
r_ghs	REVERSED: Rate overall health	RTC
mcahps_id	Mcahps identifier	
mailprotocol	Survey mail protocol	
indiv_wt	Final individual weight - harvard	
final_wt	Final plan-level weight - harvard	

The following table provides additional details for a subset of variables from the preceding variable contents table

<b>Variable</b>	<b>Detailed Variable Description</b>
MCAHPS_ID	Randomly assigned identifier used to de-identify beneficiaries within a single MCAHPS year This variable cannot be used to merge beneficiaries across other years of MCAHPS data
SU_TYPE	Indicates to which survey the beneficiary responded (MA-PD, MA-Only, PDP, or FFS)
SA_TYPE	Indicates to which survey the beneficiary responded (MA-PD, MA-Only, PDP, or FFS) Note that SA_TYPE = 1 indicates MA-Only and SA_TYPE = 2 indicates MA-PD These values are reversed for SU_TYPE
SA_PFFS	PFFS plan type indicator
SA_MMP	MMP plan type indicator
SA_ST_ABBR	FIPS State Name Abbreviations, derived from SA_FIPS_STATE
INDIV_WT	Post-stratification weight for comparing patient subgroups and for national point estimates
FINAL_WT	Contract-level (state-level for FFS) weight for weighting scores for Star Ratings

## B. 2023 MCAHPS Format Tables

The following tables summarize the formatted response options within each analytic variable.

Valid response options also include special missing values, which are summarized below.

- . = QUEX NOT ASKED (question not asked on the survey type)
- .A = MULTIPLE RESPONSES
- .B = NOT ANSWERED (truly missing)
- .D = DON'T KNOW (possible only as a CATI response)
- .G = APPROPRIATE SKIP (screener response warrants a skip and no response was given)
- .I = INCONSISTENT RESPONSE (response to a prior question contradicts this response)
- .J = DON'T KNOW SURVEY OPTION (Don't Know survey response option)
- .K = INAPPROPRIATE ANSWER (screener response warrants a skip, but response was given)
- .L = INAPPROPRIATE SKIP (screener response warrants an answer, but no response was given)
- .N = NA SURVEY OPTION (tailored skip)
- .R = REFUSED (possible only as a CATI response)

agecat: Age category derived from SA_AGE SAS Format: AGE
1: 18-24
2: 25-34
3: 35-44
4: 45-54
5: 55-64
6: 65-69
7: 70-74
8: 75-79
9: 80-84
10: 85 OR OLDER

ca_illasaw: RECODE : Last 6 mths, how often get care for illness/injury as soon as needed SAS Format: OFA
1: NEVER
2: SOMETIMES
3: USUALLY
4: ALWAYS

ca_illness: RECODE : Last 6 mths, illness or injury requiring immediate care by clinic, ER, or Dr SAS Format: YNA
1: YES
2: NO

ca_routine: RECODE : Last 6 mths, make appointment for routine care with Dr or clinic SAS Format: YNA
1: YES 2: NO

ca_rtnasaw: RECODE : Last 6 mths, how often get appt for routine care as soon as needed SAS Format: OFA
1: NEVER 2: SOMETIMES 3: USUALLY 4: ALWAYS

ca_visits: RECODE : Last 6 mths, how many Dr/clinic visits for routine care SAS Format: NMA
0: NONE 1: 1 TIME 2: 2 3: 3 4: 4 5: 5 TO 9 6: 10 OR MORE TIMES

ca_wt15mns: RECODE : Last 6 mths, how often seen within 15 minutes of appointment SAS Format: OFA
1: NEVER 2: SOMETIMES 3: USUALLY 4: ALWAYS

end_angina: RECODE : Dr ever said had: Angina or coronary heart disease SAS Format: YNA
1: YES 2: NO

end_cancer: RECODE : Dr ever said had: Cancer, other than skin cancer SAS Format: YNA
1: YES 2: NO

cnd_copd: RECODE : Dr ever said had: Emphysema, asthma or COPD SAS Format: YNA
1: YES 2: NO

cnd_diabetes: RECODE : Dr ever said had: Diabetes or high blood sugar SAS Format: YNA
1: YES 2: NO

cnd_hbp: RECODE : Dr ever said had: Hypertension or high blood pressure SAS Format: YNA
1: YES 2: NO

cnd_heartattack: RECODE : Dr ever said had: Heart attack SAS Format: YNA
1: YES 2: NO

cs_csgetinfo: RECODE : Last 6 mths, how often health plan customer service give info SAS Format: OFA
1: NEVER 2: SOMETIMES 3: USUALLY 4: ALWAYS

cs_csrespect: RECODE : Last 6 mths, how often health plan customer service treat w/respect and courtesy SAS Format: OFA
1: NEVER 2: SOMETIMES 3: USUALLY 4: ALWAYS

cs_cstryinfo: RECODE : Last 6 mths, try to get info or help from health plan customer service SAS Format: YNA
1: YES 2: NO

educ: RECODE : Highest education level completed
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SAS Format: EDU
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1: <= 8TH GRADE
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2: SOME HS
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3: HS GRAD/GED
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4: SOME COLLEGE/2-YR DEGREE
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5: 4-YR COLLEGE GRAD
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6: >4-YR COLLEGE DEGREE
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ghs: RECODE : Rate overall general health
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SAS Format: RTB
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1: EXCELLENT
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2: VERY GOOD
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3: GOOD
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4: FAIR
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5: POOR
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im_flu1last: RECODE : Had a flu shot since July 1, 2022
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SAS Format: YNA
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1: YES
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2: NO
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im_pneum: RECODE : Ever had Pneumonia shot
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SAS Format: YNA
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1: YES
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2: NO
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ins_employer: RECODE : OTHER INSURANCE-EMPLOYER, UNION
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SAS Format: YNE
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0: NOT CHECKED
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1: CHECKED
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ins_have_oth: RECODE : HAVE HEALTH INSURANCE OTHER THAN MEDICARE
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SAS Format: YNA
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1: YES
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2: NO
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ins_ma_pdp: RECODE : OTHER INSURANCE-MEDICARE PDP
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SAS Format: YNE
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0: NOT CHECKED
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1: CHECKED
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ins_medicaid: RECODE : OTHER INSURANCE-MEDICAID SAS Format: YNE
0: NOT CHECKED 1: CHECKED

ins_medicare: RECODE : OTHER INSURANCE-NONE OTHER THAN MEDICARE SAS Format: YNE
0: NOT CHECKED 1: CHECKED

ins_medigap: RECODE : OTHER INSURANCE-MEDIGAP SUPPLEMENTAL SAS Format: YNE
0: NOT CHECKED 1: CHECKED

ins_military: RECODE : OTHER INSURANCE-MILITARY TRICARE SAS Format: YNE
0: NOT CHECKED 1: CHECKED

ins_other: RECODE : OTHER INSURANCE-OTHER SAS Format: YNE
0: NOT CHECKED 1: CHECKED

ins_veteran: RECODE : OTHER INSURANCE-VETERAN BENEFIT SAS Format: YNE
0: NOT CHECKED 1: CHECKED

lim_bathing: RECODE : PHYSICAL PROBLEM LIMITS: BATHING SAS Format: DIF
1: YES-UNABLE TO DO 2: YES-HAVE DIFFICULTY 3: NO-NO DIFFICULTY

lim_chairs: RECODE : PHYSICAL PROBLEM LIMITS: USING CHAIRS SAS Format: DIF
1: YES-UNABLE TO DO 2: YES-HAVE DIFFICULTY



lim_chairs: RECODE : PHYSICAL PROBLEM LIMITS: USING CHAIRS SAS Format: DIF
3: NO-NO DIFFICULTY

lim_dressing: RECODE : PHYSICAL PROBLEM LIMITS: DRESSING SAS Format: DIF
1: YES-UNABLE TO DO 2: YES-HAVE DIFFICULTY 3: NO-NO DIFFICULTY

lim_eating: RECODE : PHYSICAL PROBLEM LIMITS: EATING SAS Format: DIF
1: YES-UNABLE TO DO 2: YES-HAVE DIFFICULTY 3: NO-NO DIFFICULTY

lim_toilet: RECODE : PHYSICAL PROBLEM LIMITS: USING TOILET SAS Format: DIF
1: YES-UNABLE TO DO 2: YES-HAVE DIFFICULTY 3: NO-NO DIFFICULTY

lim_walking: RECODE : PHYSICAL PROBLEM LIMITS: WALKING SAS Format: DIF
1: YES-UNABLE TO DO 2: YES-HAVE DIFFICULTY 3: NO-NO DIFFICULTY

living_numinhh: RECODE : Number of people living in household SAS Format: NMD
1: 1 PERSON 2: 2-3 PEOPLE 3: 4+ PEOPLE

md_change: RECODE : HOW LIKELY TO CHANGE DOCTORS IF DISSATISFIED WITH DR COMMUNICATION SAS Format: LIKE
1: VERY LIKELY 2: LIKELY 3: UNLIKELY 4: VERY UNLIKELY

md_disagree: RECODE : HOW LIKELY TO TELL DOCTOR YOU DISAGREE WITH HIM OR HER SAS Format: LIKE
1: VERY LIKELY 2: LIKELY 3: UNLIKELY 4: VERY UNLIKELY

md_explain: RECODE : Last 6 mths, how often personal MD explain things SAS Format: OFA
1: NEVER 2: SOMETIMES 3: USUALLY 4: ALWAYS

md_getmngca: RECODE : Last 6 mths, got help from personal MD to manage care SAS Format: YNB
1: YES, DEFINITELY 2: YES, SOMEWHAT 3: NO

md_have: RECODE : Do you have a personal MD SAS Format: YNA
1: YES 2: NO

md_leavansr: RECODE : HOW OFTEN LEAVE DOCTOR OFFICE FEELING ALL CONCERNS WERE FULLY ANSWERED SAS Format: OFA
1: NEVER 2: SOMETIMES 3: USUALLY 4: ALWAYS

md_listen: RECODE : Last 6 mths, how often personal MD listen carefully SAS Format: OFA
1: NEVER 2: SOMETIMES 3: USUALLY 4: ALWAYS

md_medrecs: RECODE : Last 6 mths, how often MD office have medical records SAS Format: OFA
1: NEVER 2: SOMETIMES 3: USUALLY 4: ALWAYS

md_morethan1: RECODE : Last 6 mths, got care from more than one provider SAS Format: YNA
1: YES 2: NO

md_needmgca: RECODE : Last 6 mths, needed help from personal MD to manage care SAS Format: YNA
1: YES 2: NO

md_respect: RECODE : Last 6 mths, how often personal MD show respect SAS Format: OFA
1: NEVER 2: SOMETIMES 3: USUALLY 4: ALWAYS

md_result: RECODE : HOW OFTEN DID YOU MAKE SURE YOU UNDERSTOOD THE RESULTS OF MEDICAL TESTS SAS Format: OFA
1: NEVER 2: SOMETIMES 3: USUALLY 4: ALWAYS

md_rxmeds: RECODE : Last 12 mths, took any prescription medicine SAS Format: YNA
1: YES 2: NO

md_sptime: RECODE : Last 6 mths, how often personal MD spend enough time with you SAS Format: OFA
1: NEVER 2: SOMETIMES 3: USUALLY

md_sptime: RECODE : Last 6 mths, how often personal MD spend enough time with you SAS Format: OFA
4: ALWAYS

md_talkmeds: RECODE : Last 6 mths, how often personal MD talk about all Rx medicines SAS Format: OFA
1: NEVER 2: SOMETIMES 3: USUALLY 4: ALWAYS

md_test: RECODE : Last 6 mths, personal MD ordered blood test/x-ray/other SAS Format: YNA
1: YES 2: NO

md_testasan: RECODE : Last 6 mths, how often got test results as soon as needed SAS Format: OFA
1: NEVER 2: SOMETIMES 3: USUALLY 4: ALWAYS

md_testfup: RECODE : Last 6 mths, how often MD office follow up with test results SAS Format: OFA
1: NEVER 2: SOMETIMES 3: USUALLY 4: ALWAYS

md_visits: RECODE : Last 6 mths, number of visits to personal MD for your care SAS Format: NMA
0: NONE 1: 1 TIME 2: 2 3: 3 4: 4 5: 5 TO 9 6: 10 OR MORE TIMES

mhs: RECODE : Rate overall mental health SAS Format: RTB
1: EXCELLENT 2: VERY GOOD 3: GOOD 4: FAIR 5: POOR

mtm_enrollprog: RECODE : ENROLLED IN A MEDICARE PART D MEDICATION THERAPY MANAGEMENT PROGRAM SAS Format: YNA
1: YES 2: NO

mtm_info: RECODE : HOW SATISFIED WITH INFORMATION IN THE PRINTED SUMMARY OF THE REVIEW SAS Format: SAT
1: VERY SATISFIED 2: SATISFIED 3: DISSATISFIED 4: VERY DISSATISFIED

mtm_medansr: RECODE : HEALTH CARE PROVIDER CALL OR MEET WITH YOU TO REVIEW MEDICATIONS SAS Format: YNA
1: YES 2: NO

mtm_meduse: RECODE : REVIEW INCREASE YOUR UNDERSTANDING OF MEDICATIONS AND HOW TO USE THEM SAS Format: USE
1: YES, IT INCREASED MY UNDERSTANDING 2: NO, IT DID NOT CHANGE MY UNDERSTANDING 3: NO, IT DECREASED MY UNDERSTANDING

mtm_prog: RECODE : HOW SATISFIED WITH THE MEDICATION THERAPY MANAGEMENT PROGRAM SAS Format: SAT
1: VERY SATISFIED 2: SATISFIED 3: DISSATISFIED 4: VERY DISSATISFIED

mtm_summ: RECODE : DID YOU RECEIVE A PRINTED SUMMARY OF YOUR MEDICATION REVIEW SAS Format: YNA
1: YES

mtm_summ: RECODE : DID YOU RECEIVE A PRINTED SUMMARY OF YOUR MEDICATION REVIEW SAS Format: YNA
2: NO

pdpenroll: RECODE: CURRENTLY ENROLLED IN A MEDICARE PART D PLAN (PRESCRIPTION DRUG PLAN) SAS Format: YNA
1: YES
2: NO

pl_ezpaper: RECODE : Last 6 mths, how often health plan forms easy to fill out SAS Format: OFA
1: NEVER
2: SOMETIMES
3: USUALLY
4: ALWAYS

pl_getcare: RECODE : Last 6 mths, how often easy to get care/tests/treatment through health plan SAS Format: OFA
1: NEVER
2: SOMETIMES
3: USUALLY
4: ALWAYS

pl_hospovn: RECODE : Last 6 mths, spend one or more nights in a hospital SAS Format: YNA
1: YES
2: NO

pl_paperwk: RECODE : Last 6 mths, health plan give forms to fill out SAS Format: YNA
1: YES
2: NO

prob_errands: RECODE : Do you have difficulty doing errands alone SAS Format: YNA
1: YES
2: NO

proxy: RECODE : Someone helped complete survey SAS Format: YNA
1: YES 2: NO

proxy_answ: RECODE : How helped: Proxy answered questions SAS Format: YNE
0: NOT CHECKED 1: CHECKED

proxy_othr: RECODE : How helped: Proxy helped other way SAS Format: YNE
0: NOT CHECKED 1: CHECKED

proxy_read: RECODE : How helped: Proxy read questions SAS Format: YNE
0: NOT CHECKED 1: CHECKED

proxy_tran: RECODE : How helped: Proxy translated questions SAS Format: YNE
0: NOT CHECKED 1: CHECKED

proxy_writ: RECODE : How helped: Proxy wrote answers SAS Format: YNE
0: NOT CHECKED 1: CHECKED

r_ghs: REVERSED: Rate Overall Health SAS Format: RTC
1: POOR 2: FAIR 3: GOOD 4: VERY GOOD 5: EXCELLENT

r_im_flu1last: REVERSED: Flu shot last year SAS Format: YND
1: NO 2: YES

r_im_pneum: REVERSED: Ever had a Pneumonia shot SAS Format: YND
1: NO 2: YES

r_md_change: REVERSED: how likely to change doctors if dissatisfied with dr communication SAS Format: LIKER
1: VERY UNLIKELY 2: UNLIKELY 3: LIKELY 4: VERY LIKELY

r_md_disagree: REVERSED: how likely to tell doctor you disagree with him or her SAS Format: LIKER
1: VERY UNLIKELY 2: UNLIKELY 3: LIKELY 4: VERY LIKELY

r_md_getmngca: REVERSED: last 6 mths, got help from personal md to manage care SAS Format: YNC
1: NO 2: YES, SOMEWHAT 3: YES, DEFINITELY

r_mhs: REVERSED: Rate Mental Health SAS Format: RTC
1: POOR 2: FAIR 3: GOOD 4: VERY GOOD 5: EXCELLENT

r_mtm_info: REVERSED: how satisfied with information in the printed summary of the review SAS Format: SATR
1: VERY DISSATISFIED



r_mtm_info: REVERSED: how satisfied with information in the printed summary of the review SAS Format: SATR
2: DISSATISFIED 3: SATISFIED 4: VERY SATISFIED

r_mtm_medansr: REVERSED: health care provider call or meet with you to review medications SAS Format: YND
1: NO 2: YES

r_mtm_meduse: REVERSED: review increase your understanding of medications and how to use them SAS Format: USER
1: NO, IT DECREASED MY UNDERSTANDING 2: NO, IT DID NOT CHANGE MY UNDERSTANDING 3: YES, IT INCREASED MY UNDERSTANDING

r_mtm_prog: REVERSED: how satisfied with the medication therapy management program SAS Format: SATR
1: VERY DISSATISFIED 2: DISSATISFIED 3: SATISFIED 4: VERY SATISFIED

r_mtm_summ: REVERSED: did you receive a printed summary of your medication review SAS Format: YND
1: NO 2: YES

r_pdpenroll: REVERSED: CURRENTLY ENROLLED IN A MEDICARE PART D PLAN (PRESCRIPTION DRUG PLAN) SAS Format: YND
1: NO 2: YES

race_asian: RECODE : Race: Asian SAS Format: YNE
0: NOT CHECKED 1: CHECKED

race_black: RECODE : Race: Black or African American SAS Format: YNE
0: NOT CHECKED 1: CHECKED

race_hisp: RECODE : Hispanic or Latino origin/descent SAS Format: HSP
1: HISPANIC OR LATINO 2: NOT HISPANIC OR LATINO

race_natamer: RECODE : Race: American Indian or Alaska Native SAS Format: YNE
0: NOT CHECKED 1: CHECKED

race_pacific: RECODE : Race: Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander SAS Format: YNE
0: NOT CHECKED 1: CHECKED

race_white: RECODE : Race: White SAS Format: YNE
0: NOT CHECKED 1: CHECKED

rate_care: RECODE : Last 6 mths, rate health care SAS Format: RTA
0: WORST POSSIBLE 1: 1 2: 2 3: 3 4: 4 5: 5 6: 6 7: 7 8: 8 9: 9 10: BEST POSSIBLE

rate_md: RECODE : Rate personal MD SAS Format: RTA
0: WORST POSSIBLE 1: 1 2: 2 3: 3 4: 4 5: 5 6: 6 7: 7 8: 8 9: 9 10: BEST POSSIBLE

rate_plan: RECODE : Rate health plan SAS Format: RTA
0: WORST POSSIBLE 1: 1 2: 2 3: 3 4: 4 5: 5 6: 6 7: 7 8: 8 9: 9 10: BEST POSSIBLE

rate_spec: RECODE : Rate specialist seen most often SAS Format: RTA
0: WORST POSSIBLE 1: 1 2: 2 3: 3 4: 4 5: 5 6: 6 7: 7 8: 8 9: 9 10: BEST POSSIBLE

recontact: RECODE : Medicare Program may recontact about health care services received SAS Format: YNA
1: YES 2: NO

rxdelay: RECODE : Last 6 mths, delayed filling RX meds because of cost SAS Format: YNA
1: YES 2: NO

rxezmeds: RECODE: Last 6 mths, easy to get medicines doctor prescribed SAS Format: OFA
1: NEVER 2: SOMETIMES 3: USUALLY 4: ALWAYS

rxinspay: RECODE: Have insurance that pays part or all the cost of RX medicines SAS Format: YNA
1: YES 2: NO

sa_cvrg_type: Part A-B Coverage Type SAS Format: \$CVT
3: CVP 4: MSA 5: PFFS 6: PACE 7: PCE 8: DEMO 9: FFS 10: CHCCP 12: CCDM 14: MMP

sa_deemd_cpmt: Generic Level for Copay Computation SAS Format: \$GENLEVF
1: HIGH 2: LOW 3: 0 4: 15% 5: UNKNOWN

sa_deemd_cpmt: Generic Level for Copay Computation SAS Format: \$GENLEVF
N: N/A

sa_deemd_lis: Deemed for Low Income Subsidy SAS Format: \$ID_F
N: NO U: UNKNOWN Y: YES

sa_disbld: Disabled Flag SAS Format: \$ID_F
N: NO U: UNKNOWN Y: YES

sa_fpl_pct: Federal Poverty Level Percent Code SAS Format: \$FPL
1: BELOW 100% FPL 2: 100% OR ABOVE FPL 9: UNKNOWN

sa_incarc_sw: Incarceration Flag SAS Format: \$ID_F
N: NO U: UNKNOWN Y: YES

sa_lis: Low Income Subsidy SAS Format: \$ID_F
N: NO U: UNKNOWN Y: YES

sa_mdcd_stus: Sample Members who are Dual Eligible SAS Format: \$ID_F
N: NO U: UNKNOWN Y: YES

sa_mdcr_stus: Reason for Beneficiary Entitlement SAS Format: \$MCR
0 : MISSING 10: AGED WITHOUT ESRD 11: AGED WITH ESRD 20: DISABLED WITHOUT ESRD 21: DISABLED WITH ESRD 31: ESRD ONLY

sa_org_entlmt: Original Reason for Entitlement SAS Format: \$OEN
0: AGE 1: DISABILITY 2: ESRD 3: DISABILITY & ESRD U: UNKNOWN

sa_partd_stus: Part D Status SAS Format: \$ID_F
N: NO U: UNKNOWN Y: YES

sa_bp_type: Plan Type of Surveyed Plan SAS Format: \$PBT
01: HMO 02: HMOPOS 03: CCOTH 04: LOCAL PPO 05: PSO(STATE LICENSE) 06: PSO(FEDERAL WAIVER OF STATE LICENSE) 07: MSA 08: RFB 09: PFFS 10: SHMO 17: OTHER 18: 1876 COST 19: HCPP-1833 COST 20: NATIONAL PACE 27: CAPITATED DISEASE MANAGEMENT DEMO 28: CHRONIC CARE 29: MEDICARE PDP 30: EMPLOYER-SPONSORED PDP 31: REGIONAL PPO

sa_pbp_type: Plan Type of Surveyed Plan SAS Format: \$PBT
32: FALLBACK 33: MN DISABILITY HEALTH OPTIONS 34: MN SENIOR HEALTH OPTIONS 35: WI PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM 36: MA HEALTH SENIOR CARE OPTIONS 37: CONTINUING CARE RETIREMENT COMMUNITY 38: ESRD I 39: ESRD II 40: EMPLOYER-SPONSORED PFFS 46: POINT-OF-SALE CONTRACTOR 48: MMP HMO UK: UNKNOWN

sa_ptab_type: Part A-B Plan Type SAS Format: \$PBT
01: HMO 02: HMOPOS 03: CCOTH 04: LOCAL PPO 05: PSO(STATE LICENSE) 06: PSO(FEDERAL WAIVER OF STATE LICENSE) 07: MSA 08: RFB 09: PFFS 10: SHMO 17: OTHER 18: 1876 COST 19: HCPP-1833 COST 20: NATIONAL PACE 27: CAPITATED DISEASE MANAGEMENT DEMO 28: CHRONIC CARE 29: MEDICARE PDP 30: EMPLOYER-SPONSORED PDP 31: REGIONAL PPO 32: FALLBACK 33: MN DISABILITY HEALTH OPTIONS 34: MN SENIOR HEALTH OPTIONS 35: WI PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM 36: MA HEALTH SENIOR CARE OPTIONS 37: CONTINUING CARE RETIREMENT COMMUNITY 38: ESRD I 39: ESRD II 40: EMPLOYER-SPONSORED PFFS

sa_ptab_type: Part A-B Plan Type SAS Format: \$PBT
46: POINT-OF-SALE CONTRACTOR 48: MMP HMO UK: UNKNOWN

sa_ptd_prm_c: Part D Premium Range SAS Format: \$PRM
0: UNKNOWN 1: 00.00 2: 00.01-9.99 3: 10.00-19.99 4: 20.00-29.99 5: 30.00-39.99 6: 40.00-49.99 7: 50.00+

sa_ptd_snp: Part D Special Needs Plan SAS Format: \$ID_F
N: NO U: UNKNOWN Y: YES

sa_ptd_type: Part D Plan Type SAS Format: \$PBT
01: HMO 02: HMOPOS 03: CCOTH 04: LOCAL PPO 05: PSO(STATE LICENSE) 06: PSO(FEDERAL WAIVER OF STATE LICENSE) 07: MSA 08: RFB 09: PFFS 10: SHMO 17: OTHER 18: 1876 COST 19: HCPP-1833 COST 20: NATIONAL PACE 27: CAPITATED DISEASE MANAGEMENT DEMO 28: CHRONIC CARE 29: MEDICARE PDP 30: EMPLOYER-SPONSORED PDP 31: REGIONAL PPO



sa_ptd_type: Part D Plan Type SAS Format: \$PBT
32: FALLBACK 33: MN DISABILITY HEALTH OPTIONS 34: MN SENIOR HEALTH OPTIONS 35: WI PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM 36: MA HEALTH SENIOR CARE OPTIONS 37: CONTINUING CARE RETIREMENT COMMUNITY 38: ESRD I 39: ESRD II 40: EMPLOYER-SPONSORED PFFS 46: POINT-OF-SALE CONTRACTOR 48: MMP HMO UK: UNKNOWN

sa_race: Beneficiary Race SAS Format: \$RACEF
0: UNKNOWN 1: WHITE 2: BLACK 3: OTHER 4: ASIAN 5: HISPANIC 6: NORTH AMER NATV

sa_region: REGION defined using SA_ST_ABBR/SA_FIPS_STATE SAS Format: RGN
1: NORTHEAST (CT,ME,MA,NH,RI,VT) 2: NORTH MID-ATL (NJ,NY,PR,VI) 3: MID-ATL (DE,DC,MD,PA,VA,WV) 4: SOUTH ATL (AL,FL,GA,KY,MS,NC,SC,TN) 5: EAST MIDWEST (IL,IN,MI,MN,OH,WI) 6: SOUTHWEST (AR,LA,NM,OK,TX) 7: MIDWEST (IA,KS,MO,NE) 8: MOUNTAIN (CO,MT,ND,SD,UT,WY) 9: PACIFIC (AZ,CA,HI,NV) 10: NORTHWEST (AK,ID,OR,WA)

sa_sex: Sex of Beneficiary SAS Format: \$GNDF
0: UNKNOWN 1: MALE 2: FEMALE

sa_snp_type: Part D Special Needs Plan Type SAS Format: \$SNP
1: CHRONIC CONDITION 2: DUAL ELIGIBLE 3: INSTITUTIONAL 9: UNKNOWN

sa_spanish_ind: Spanish Language Flag (Medicare & You) SAS Format: \$ID_F
N: NO U: UNKNOWN Y: YES

sa_type: MA & PDP Survey Type (1-4) SAS Format: STP
1: MA ONLY 2: MA PDP 3: PDP 5: FFS

smokenow: RECODE : How often do you now smoke SAS Format: WNE
1: EVERY DAY 2: SOME DAYS 3: NOT AT ALL

smokequit: RECODE : Last 6 mths, how often advised to quit smoking by MD SAS Format: OFA
1: NEVER 2: SOMETIMES 3: USUALLY 4: ALWAYS

sp_getappt: RECODE : Last 6 mths, how often easy to get appointments with specialists SAS Format: OFA
1: NEVER 2: SOMETIMES 3: USUALLY 4: ALWAYS

sp_mdinford: RECODE : Last 6 mths, how often personal MD up-to-date on care from specialists SAS Format: OFA
1: NEVER 2: SOMETIMES 3: USUALLY 4: ALWAYS

sp_persmd: RECODE : Personal MD is a specialist SAS Format: YNA
1: YES 2: NO

sp_tryappt: RECODE : Last 6 mths, try to make appointments with specialist SAS Format: YNA
1: YES 2: NO

sp_visits: RECODE : Last 6 mths, number of specialists seen SAS Format: NMB
0: NONE 1: 1 SPECIALIST 2: 2 3: 3 4: 4 5: 5 OR MORE SPECIALISTS

su_dispo_lang: Language of Survey Data Collection SAS Format: \$LANGF
1: ENGLISH 2: SPANISH 3: CHINESE 4: VIETNAMESE 5: KOREAN 6: TAGALOG 7: MANDARIN 88: NA 8: CANTONESE

su_dispositn: Final Disposition Code SAS Format: \$FDISPF
10: COMPLETED SURVEY 11: INSTITUTIONALIZED

su_dispositn: Final Disposition Code SAS Format: \$FDISPF
20: DECEASED 22: LANGUAGE BARRIER 24: MENT/PHYS UNABLE TO RESPOND 31: PARTIALLY COMPLETE SURVEY 32: REFUSAL 33: NON-RESPONSE 34: BLANK RETURNED 35: BAD ADDRESS/BAD PHONE 37: ANALYTIC COMPLETE 40: EXCLUDED FROM SURVEY

su_mode: Survey Data Collection Mode SAS Format: \$MODEF
I: INBOUND CATI M: MAIL N: NA O: OUTBOUND CATI

su_type: Survey Type (1-4) SAS Format: \$TYPEF
1: MA PDP 2: MA ONLY 3: PDP 4: FFS

web_at_home: RECODE : Do you ever use the internet at home SAS Format: YNA
1: YES 2: NO

ws_wes_comp: WESTAT: Complete for Analysis and Reporting SAS Format: WESCOF
0: NOT COMPLETE FOR ANALYSIS 1: COMPLETE FOR ANALYSIS

**III. 2023 Question and Variable Key**

The following table lists the analytic variables' respective surveys, question numbers, and question texts. Grey highlighted rows identify different question text within the same analytic variable.

Variable	Survey	Question Number	Question Text
ma_hlthplan	MA-PD MA-Only	Q01	Our records show that in 2022 your health services were covered by the plan named on the back page. Is that right?
ma_hlthplan_txt	MA-PD MA-Only	Q02	Please write below the name of the health plan you had in 2022 and complete the rest of the survey based on the experiences you had with that plan. (Please print)
ins_have_oth	FFS	Q01	Some people who have Medicare also have other insurance to help pay for some of the costs of their health care. Do you have any other insurance that pays at least some of the cost of your health care?
ins_medigap	FFS	Q02A	Please mark the box below for each type of health insurance that you have. <i>Medigap, which may be identified on the front of your policy as "Medicare Supplemental Insurance"</i>
ins_employer	FFS	Q02B	Please mark the box below for each type of health insurance that you have. <i>Employer, Union, or Retiree Health Coverage (insurance)</i>
ins_veteran	FFS	Q02C	Please mark the box below for each type of health insurance that you have. <i>Veteran's Benefits, also known as VA benefits</i>
ins_military	FFS	Q02D	Please mark the box below for each type of health insurance that you have. <i>Military Retiree Benefits, also known as Tricare</i>
ins_medicaid	FFS	Q02E	Please mark the box below for each type of health insurance that you have. <i>Medicaid, also known as State medical assistance, which is for some persons with limited income and resources</i>
ins_ma_pdp	FFS	Q02F	Please mark the box below for each type of health insurance that you have. <i>Any Prescription Drug Plan</i>
ins_other	FFS	Q02G	Please mark the box below for each type of health insurance that you have. <i>Other</i>
ins_other_txt	FFS	Q02_O	Please mark the box below for each type of health insurance that you have. <i>(Please write the name of the other health insurance you currently have on the line below.)</i>
ins_medicare	FFS	Q02H	Please mark the box below for each type of health insurance that you have. <i>I don't have health insurance other than Medicare.</i>
ca_illness	MA-PD MA-Only FFS	Q03	In the last 6 months, did you have an illness, injury, or condition that needed care right away in a clinic, emergency room, or doctor's office?
ca_illasaw	MA-PD MA-Only FFS	Q04	In the last 6 months, when you needed care right away, how often did you get care as soon as you needed?
ca_routine	MA-PD MA-Only FFS	Q05	In the last 6 months, did you make any appointments for a check-up or routine care at a doctor's office or clinic?
ca_rtnasaw	MA-PD MA-Only FFS	Q06	In the last 6 months, how often did you get an appointment for a check-up or routine care as soon as you needed?
ca_visits	MA-PD MA-Only FFS	Q07	In the last 6 months, not counting the times you went to an emergency room, how many times did you go to a doctor's office or clinic to get health care for yourself?
ca_wt15mns	MA-PD MA-Only FFS	Q08	Wait time includes time spent in the waiting room and exam room. In the last 6 months, how often did you see the person you came to see within 15 minutes of your appointment time?
rate_care	MA-PD MA-Only FFS	Q09	Using any number from 0 to 10, where 0 is the worst health care possible and 10 is the best health care possible, what number would you use to rate all your health care in the last 6 months?
pl_getcare	MA-PD MA-Only FFS	Q10	In the last 6 months, how often was it easy to get the care, tests or treatment you needed?
md_have	MA-PD MA-Only FFS	Q11	A personal doctor is the one you would see if you need a check-up, want advice about a health problem, or get sick or hurt. Do you have a personal doctor?
md_visits	MA-PD MA-Only FFS	Q12	In the last 6 months, how many times did you visit your personal doctor to get care for yourself?

Variable	Survey	Question Number	Question Text
md_explain	MA-PD MA-Only FFS	Q13	In the last 6 months, how often did your personal doctor explain things in a way that was easy to understand?
md_listen	MA-PD MA-Only FFS	Q14	In the last 6 months, how often did your personal doctor listen carefully to you?
md_respect	MA-PD MA-Only FFS	Q15	In the last 6 months, how often did your personal doctor show respect for what you had to say?
md_sptime	MA-PD MA-Only FFS	Q16	In the last 6 months, how often did your personal doctor spend enough time with you?
rate_md	MA-PD MA-Only FFS	Q17	Using any number from 0 to 10, where 0 is the worst personal doctor possible and 10 is the best personal doctor possible, what number would you use to rate your personal doctor?
md_medrecs	MA-PD MA-Only FFS	Q18	In the last 6 months, when you visited your personal doctor for a scheduled appointment, how often did he or she have your medical records or other information about your care?
md_test	MA-PD MA-Only FFS	Q19	In the last 6 months, did your personal doctor order a blood test, x-ray or other test for you?
md_testfup	MA-PD MA-Only FFS	Q20	In the last 6 months, when your personal doctor ordered a blood test, x-ray or other test for you, how often did someone from your personal doctor's office follow up to give you those results?
md_testasan	MA-PD MA-Only FFS	Q21	In the last 6 months, when your personal doctor ordered a blood test, x-ray or other test for you, how often did you get those results as soon as you needed them?
md_rxmeds	MA-PD MA-Only FFS	Q22	In the last 6 months, did you take any prescription medicine?
md_talkmeds	MA-PD MA-Only FFS	Q23	In the last 6 months, how often did you and your personal doctor talk about all the prescription medicines you were taking?
md_morethan1	MA-PD MA-Only FFS	Q24	In the last 6 months, did you get care from more than one kind of health care provider or use more than one kind of health care service?
md_needmngca	MA-PD MA-Only FFS	Q25	In the last 6 months, did you need help from anyone in your personal doctor's office to manage your care among these different providers and services?
md_getmngca	MA-PD MA-Only FFS	Q26	In the last 6 months, did you get the help you needed from your personal doctor's office to manage your care among these different providers and services?
sp_persmd	MA-PD MA-Only FFS	Q27	Specialists are doctors like surgeons, heart doctors, allergy doctors, skin doctors, and other doctors who specialize in one area of health care. Is your personal doctor a specialist?
sp_tryappt	MA-PD MA-Only FFS	Q28	In the last 6 months, did you make any appointments to see a specialist?
sp_getappt	MA-PD MA-Only FFS	Q29	In the last 6 months, how often did you get an appointment to see a specialist as soon as you needed?
sp_visits	MA-PD MA-Only FFS	Q30	How many specialists have you seen in the last 6 months?

Variable	Survey	Question Number	Question Text
rate_spec	MA-PD MA-Only FFS	Q31	We want to know your rating of the specialist you saw most often in the last 6 months. Using any number from 0 to 10, where 0 is the worst specialist possible and 10 is the best specialist possible, what number would you use to rate that specialist?
sp_mdinformatd	MA-PD MA-Only FFS	Q32	In the last 6 months, how often did your personal doctor seem informed and up-to-date about the care you got from specialists?
md_change	FFS	Q33	How likely are you to change doctors if you are dissatisfied with the way you and your doctor communicate?
md_disagree	FFS	Q34	How likely are you to tell your doctor when you disagree with him or her?
md_leavansr	FFS	Q35	In the last 6 months, how often did you leave your doctor's office feeling that all of your concerns or questions were fully answered?
md_result	FFS	Q36	In the last 6 months, how often did you make sure you understood the results of any medical test or procedure such as x-ray, blood test, or EKG for heart conditions?
cs_cstryinfo	MA-PD MA-Only	Q33 Q33	In the last 6 months, did you get information or help from your health plan's customer service?
	FFS	Q37	In the last 6 months, did you get information or help from Medicare's customer service?
cs_csgetinfo	MA-PD MA-Only	Q34 Q34	In the last 6 months, how often did your health plan's customer service give you the information or help you needed?
	FFS	Q38	In the last 6 months, how often did Medicare's customer service give you the information or help you needed?
cs_csrespect	MA-PD MA-Only	Q35 Q35	In the last 6 months, how often did your health plan's customer service staff treat you with courtesy and respect?
	FFS	Q39	In the last 6 months, how often did Medicare's customer service staff treat you with courtesy and respect?
pl_paperwk	MA-PD MA-Only	Q36 Q36	In the last 6 months, did your health plan give you any forms to fill out?
	FFS	Q40	In the last 6 months, did Medicare give you any forms to fill out?
pl_ezpaper	MA-PD MA-Only	Q37 Q37	In the last 6 months, how often were the forms from your health plan easy to fill out?
	FFS	Q41	In the last 6 months, how often were the forms from Medicare easy to fill out?
rate_plan	MA-PD MA-Only	Q38 Q38	Using any number from 0 to 10, where 0 is the worst health plan possible and 10 is the best health plan possible, what number would you use to rate your health plan?
	FFS	Q42	Using any number from 0 to 10, where 0 is the worst health plan possible and 10 is the best health plan possible, what number would you use to rate Medicare?
pl_lowercopay	MA-PD MA-Only	Q39	A co-pay is the amount of money you pay at the time of a visit to a doctor's office or clinic. In the last 6 months, did your health plan offer to lower the amount of your co-pay because you have a health condition (like high blood pressure)?
pl_xtrabenefits	MA-PD MA-Only	Q40	Your health plan benefits are the types of health care and services you can get under the plan. In the last 6 months, did your health plan offer you extra benefits because you have a health condition (like high blood pressure)?
pd_hlthplan	PDP	Q01	Our records show that in 2022 your prescriptions were covered by the Medicare prescription drug plan named on the back page. Is that right?
pd_hlthplan_txt	PDP	Q02	Please write below the name of the Medicare prescription drug plan you had in 2022 and complete the rest of the survey based on the experiences you had with that plan. (Please print)
pd_fillrx	MA-PD PDP	Q41A Q03A	In the last 6 months, did anyone from a doctor's office, pharmacy or your prescription drug plan contact you: <i>To make sure you filled or refilled a prescription?</i>
pd_takemeds	MA-PD PDP	Q41B Q03B	In the last 6 months, did anyone from a doctor's office, pharmacy or your prescription drug plan contact you: <i>To make sure you were taking medicine as directed?</i>
pd_ezrxmeds	MA-PD PDP	Q42 Q04	In the last 6 months, how often was it easy to use your prescription drug plan to get the medicines your doctor prescribed?
pd_rxpharm	MA-PD PDP	Q43 Q05	In the last 6 months, did you ever use your prescription drug plan to fill a prescription at your local pharmacy?
pd_ezrxpharm	MA-PD PDP	Q44 Q06	In the last 6 months, how often was it easy to use your prescription drug plan to fill a prescription at your local pharmacy?
pd_rxmail	MA-PD PDP	Q45 Q07	In the last 6 months, did you ever use your prescription drug plan to fill a prescription by mail?



Variable	Survey	Question Number	Question Text
pd_ezrxmail	MA-PD PDP	Q46 Q08	In the last 6 months, how often was it easy to use your prescription drug plan to fill a prescription by mail?
rate_pdp	MA-PD PDP	Q47 Q09	Using any number from 0 to 10, where 0 is the worst prescription drug plan possible and 10 is the best prescription drug plan possible, what number would you use to rate your prescription drug plan?
ghs	MA-PD MA-Only PDP FFS	Q48 Q41 Q10 Q43	In general, how would you rate your overall health?
mhs	MA-PD MA-Only PDP FFS	Q49 Q42 Q11 Q44	In general, how would you rate your overall mental or emotional health?
pl_hospovn	MA-PD MA-Only PDP FFS	Q50 Q43 Q12 Q45	In the last 6 months, did you spend one or more nights in a hospital?
rxezmeds	MA-Only FFS	Q44 Q46	In the last 6 months, how often was it easy to get the medicines your doctor prescribed?
rxinspay	MA-Only FFS	Q45 Q47	Do you have insurance that pays part or all of the cost of your prescription medicines?
rxdelay	MA-PD MA-Only PDP FFS	Q51 Q46 Q13 Q48	In the last 6 months, did you delay or not fill a prescription because you felt you could not afford it?
rxmailunreq	MA-PD MA-Only PDP	Q52 Q47 Q14	In the last 6 months, did you receive any mail order medicines that you did not request?
pdpenroll	FFS	Q49	Are you currently enrolled in a Medicare Part D plan (prescription drug plan)?
mtm_enrollprog	FFS	Q50	Are you enrolled in a Medicare Part D Medication Therapy Management program?
mtm_medansr	FFS	Q51	Did a health care provider, such as a pharmacist, call or meet with you to review your medications and answer your questions about your medications?
mtm_meduse	FFS	Q52	Did the review increase your understanding of your medications and how to use them?
mtm_summ	FFS	Q53	A printed summary of the review includes a letter, a medication action plan, and a personal medication list. Did you receive a printed summary of the review?
mtm_info	FFS	Q54	How satisfied were you with the information in the printed summary of the review?
mtm_prog	FFS	Q55	Overall, how satisfied are you with the Medication Therapy Management program provided by your Medicare Part D plan?
cnd_heartattack	MA-PD MA-Only PDP FFS	Q53A Q48A Q15A Q56A	Has a doctor ever told you that you had any of the following conditions? <i>A heart attack?</i>
cnd_angina	MA-PD MA-Only PDP FFS	Q53B Q48B Q15B Q56B	Has a doctor ever told you that you had any of the following conditions? <i>Angina or coronary heart disease?</i>
cnd_hbp	MA-PD MA-Only PDP FFS	Q53C Q48C Q15C Q56C	Has a doctor ever told you that you had any of the following conditions? <i>Hypertension or high blood pressure?</i>
cnd_cancer	MA-PD MA-Only PDP FFS	Q53D Q48D Q15D Q56D	Has a doctor ever told you that you had any of the following conditions? <i>Cancer, other than skin cancer?</i>
cnd_copd	MA-PD MA-Only PDP FFS	Q53E Q48E Q15E Q56E	Has a doctor ever told you that you had any of the following conditions? <i>Emphysema, asthma or COPD (chronic obstructive pulmonary disease)?</i>

Variable	Survey	Question Number	Question Text
end_diabetes	MA-PD MA-Only PDP FFS	Q53F Q48F Q15F Q56F	Has a doctor ever told you that you had any of the following conditions? <i>Any kind of diabetes or high blood sugar?</i>
prob_walking	MA-PD MA-Only PDP	Q54 Q49 Q16	Do you have serious difficulty walking or climbing stairs?
prob_dressing	MA-PD MA-Only PDP	Q55 Q50 Q17	Do you have difficulty dressing or bathing?
prob_errands	MA-PD MA-Only PDP FFS	Q56 Q51 Q18 Q66	Because of a physical, mental, or emotional condition, do you have difficulty doing errands alone such as visiting a doctor's office or shopping?
im_flu1last	MA-PD MA-Only FFS	Q57 Q52 Q57	Have you had a flu shot since July 1, 2022?
im_pneum	MA-PD MA-Only FFS	Q58 Q53 Q58	Have you ever had one or more pneumonia shots? Two shots are usually given in a person's lifetime and these are different from a flu shot. It is also called the pneumococcal vaccine.
smokenow	MA-PD MA-Only FFS	Q59 Q54 Q59	Do you now smoke cigarettes or use tobacco every day, some days, or not at all?
smokequit	MA-PD MA-Only FFS	Q60 Q55 Q60	In the last 6 months, how often were you advised to quit smoking or using tobacco by a doctor or other health provider?
educ	MA-PD MA-Only PDP FFS	Q61 Q56 Q19 Q61	What is the highest grade or level of school that you have completed?
race_hisp	MA-PD MA-Only PDP FFS	Q62 Q57 Q20 Q62	Are you of Hispanic or Latino origin or descent?
race_white	MA-PD MA-Only PDP FFS	Q63A Q58A Q21A Q63A	What is your race? Please mark one or more. <i>White</i>
race_black	MA-PD MA-Only PDP FFS	Q63B Q58B Q21B Q63B	What is your race? Please mark one or more. <i>Black or African-American</i>
race_asian	MA-PD MA-Only PDP FFS	Q63C Q58C Q21C Q63C	What is your race? Please mark one or more. <i>Asian</i>
race_pacific	MA-PD MA-Only PDP FFS	Q63D Q58D Q21D Q63D	What is your race? Please mark one or more. <i>Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander</i>
race_natamer	MA-PD MA-Only PDP FFS	Q63E Q58E Q21E Q63E	What is your race? Please mark one or more. <i>American Indian or Alaska Native</i>

Variable	Survey	Question Number	Question Text
living_numinhh	MA-PD MA-Only PDP FFS	Q64 Q59 Q22 Q64	How many people live in your household now, including yourself?
lim_bathing	FFS	Q65A	Because of a health or physical problem are you unable to do or have any difficulty doing the following activities? (Please mark one response for each activity.) <i>Bathing</i>
lim_dressing	FFS	Q65B	Because of a health or physical problem are you unable to do or have any difficulty doing the following activities? (Please mark one response for each activity.) <i>Dressing</i>
lim_eating	FFS	Q65C	Because of a health or physical problem are you unable to do or have any difficulty doing the following activities? (Please mark one response for each activity.) <i>Eating</i>
lim_chairs	FFS	Q65D	Because of a health or physical problem are you unable to do or have any difficulty doing the following activities? (Please mark one response for each activity.) <i>Getting in or out of chairs</i>
lim_walking	FFS	Q65E	Because of a health or physical problem are you unable to do or have any difficulty doing the following activities? (Please mark one response for each activity.) <i>Walking</i>
lim_toilet	FFS	Q65F	Because of a health or physical problem are you unable to do or have any difficulty doing the following activities? (Please mark one response for each activity.) <i>Using the toilet</i>
web_at_home	MA-PD MA-Only PDP FFS	Q65 Q60 Q23 Q67	Do you ever use the internet at home?
recontact	MA-PD MA-Only PDP FFS	Q66 Q61 Q24 Q68	May the Medicare Program follow up with you to learn more about your health care, or to invite you to a group discussion or interview on topics related to health care?
proxy	MA-PD MA-Only PDP FFS	Q67 Q62 Q25 Q69	Did someone help you complete this survey?
proxy_read	MA-PD MA-Only PDP FFS	Q68A Q63A Q26A Q70A	How did that person help you? Please mark one or more. <i>Read the questions to me</i>
proxy_writ	MA-PD MA-Only PDP FFS	Q68B Q63B Q26B Q70B	How did that person help you? Please mark one or more. <i>Wrote down the answers I gave</i>
proxy_answ	MA-PD MA-Only PDP FFS	Q68C Q63C Q26C Q70C	How did that person help you? Please mark one or more. <i>Answered the questions for me</i>
proxy_tran	MA-PD MA-Only PDP FFS	Q68D Q63D Q26D Q70D	How did that person help you? Please mark one or more. <i>Translated the questions into my language</i>
proxy_othr	MA-PD MA-Only PDP FFS	Q68E Q63E Q26E Q70E	How did that person help you? Please mark one or more. <i>Helped in some other way</i>

## **IV. Crosswalk: 2007 to 2023**

The following tables contain crosswalk information for 2007 to 2023. The tables include all analytic variables and question numbers across all years and survey types, along with several indicators with additional information. The following key describes these indicators.

**D:** DROPPED

—: QUESTION NOT ASKED ON THIS SURVEY TYPE

**R:** ITEM MUST BE REVERSED PRIOR TO ANALYSIS

\*: COMPOSITE ITEM/GLOBAL RATING

**VARIABLE DIFFERENCES:**

proxy, proxy\_read, proxy\_writ, proxy\_answ, proxy\_tran, and proxy\_othr were proxy questions asked on mail mode cases only in 2007-2011. proxy\_othr\_txt was a proxy question only asked on mail mode cases in 2007-2010.

### A. FFS Survey

The following table shows crosswalk information for the FFS survey. <sup>1</sup>

Variable	Reverse	2023 Year 17	2022 Year 16	2021 Year 15	2020 Year 14	2019 Year 13	2018 Year 12	2017 Year 11	2016 Year 10	2015 Year 9
ma_hlthplan		—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
ma_hlthplan_txt		—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
ins_have_oth		Q01	Q01	Q01	Q01	Q01	Q01	Q01	Q01	Q01
ins_medigap		Q02A	Q02A	Q02A	Q02A	Q02A	Q02A	Q02A	Q02A	Q02A
ins_employer		Q02B	Q02B	Q02B	Q02B	Q02B	Q02B	Q02B	Q02B	Q02B
ins_veteran		Q02C	Q02C	Q02C	Q02C	Q02C	Q02C	Q02C	Q02C	Q02C
ins_military		Q02D	Q02D	Q02D	Q02D	Q02D	Q02D	Q02D	Q02D	Q02D
ins_medicaid		Q02E	Q02E	Q02E	Q02E	Q02E	Q02E	Q02E	Q02E	Q02E
ins_ma_pdp		Q02F	Q02F	Q02F	Q02F	Q02F	Q02F	Q02F	Q02F	Q02F
ins_other		Q02G	Q02G	Q02G	Q02G	Q02G	Q02G	Q02G	Q02G	Q02G
ins_other_txt		Q02_O	Q02_O	Q02_O	Q02_O	Q02_O	Q02_O	Q02_O	Q02_O	Q02_O
ins_medicare		Q02H	Q02H	Q02H	Q02H	Q02H	Q02H	Q02H	Q02H	Q02H
ca_illness		Q03	Q03	Q03	Q03	Q03	Q03	Q03	Q03	Q03
ca_illasaw*		Q04	Q04	Q04	Q04	Q04	Q04	Q04	Q04	Q04
ca_routine		Q05	Q05	Q05	Q05	Q05	Q05	Q05	Q05	Q05
ca_rtnasaw*		Q06	Q06	Q06	Q06	Q06	Q06	Q06	Q06	Q06
ca_visits		Q07	Q07	Q07	Q07	Q07	Q07	Q07	Q07	Q07
ca_emerquex								D	Q09	Q09
ca_emeransr								D	Q10	Q10
ca_emerfup	R							D	Q11	Q11
ca_wt15mns*		Q08	Q08	Q08	Q08	Q08	Q08	Q08	Q08	Q08
rate_care*		Q09	Q09	Q09	Q09	Q09	Q09	Q09	Q12	Q12
ca_equipment										
ca_getequip										
ca_therapy										
ca_gettherapy										
md_have		Q11	Q11	Q11	Q11	Q11	Q11	Q11	Q13	Q13
md_visits		Q12	Q12	Q12	Q12	Q12	Q12	Q12	Q14	Q14
md_explain*		Q13	Q13	Q13	Q13	Q13	Q13	Q13	Q15	Q15
md_listen*		Q14	Q14	Q14	Q14	Q14	Q14	Q14	Q16	Q16
md_respect*		Q15	Q15	Q15	Q15	Q15	Q15	Q15	Q17	Q17
md_sptime*		Q16	Q16	Q16	Q16	Q16	Q16	Q16	Q18	Q18
rate_md*		Q17	Q17	Q17	Q17	Q17	Q17	Q17	Q19	Q19
md_medrecs*		Q18	Q18	Q18	Q18	Q18	Q18	Q18	Q20	Q20
md_hlthcond										
md_ezinstr										
md_descinstr										
md_test		Q19	Q19	Q19	Q19	Q19	Q19	Q19	Q21	Q21
md_testfup*		Q20	Q20	Q20	Q20	Q20	Q20	Q20	Q22	Q22
md_testasan*		Q21	Q21	Q21	Q21	Q21	Q21	Q21	Q23	Q23
md_rxmeds		Q22	Q22	Q22	Q22	Q22	Q22	Q22	Q24	Q24
md_talkmeds*		Q23	Q23	Q23	Q23	Q23	Q23	Q23	Q25	Q25
md_hhdevice	R							D	Q26	Q26
md_hhdhelp	R							D	Q27	Q27
md_hhdtalk								D	Q28	Q28
md_morethan1		Q24	Q24	Q24	Q24	Q24	Q24	Q24	Q29	Q29

<sup>1</sup>Note that in 2007-2010, the FFS survey only covered FFS-Only and not those with Part D coverage.











Variable	Reverse	2014 Year 8	2013 Year 7	2012 Year 6	2011 Year 5	2010 Year 4	2009 Year 3	2008 Year 2	2007 Year 1
ma_hlthplan		—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
ma_hlthplan_txt		—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
ins_have_oth		Q01	Q01	Q01	Q01	Q01	Q01	Q01	Q01
ins_medigap		Q02A	Q02A	Q02A	Q02A	Q02A	Q02A	Q02A	Q02A
ins_employer		Q02B	Q02B	Q02B	Q02B	Q02B	Q02B	Q02B	Q02B
ins_veteran		Q02C	Q02C	Q02C	Q02C	Q02C	Q02C	Q02C	Q02C
ins_military		Q02D	Q02D	Q02D	Q02D	Q02D	Q02D	Q02D	Q02D
ins_medicaid		Q02E	Q02E	Q02E	Q02E	Q02E	Q02E	Q02E	Q02E
ins_ma_pdp		Q02F	Q02F	Q02F	Q02F	Q02F	Q02F	Q02F	Q02F
ins_other		Q02G	Q02G	Q02G	Q02G	Q02G	Q02G	Q02G	Q02G
ins_other_txt		Q02_O	Q02_O	Q02_O	Q02_O	Q02_O	Q02_O	Q02_O	Q02_O
ins_medicare		Q02H	Q02H	Q02H	Q02H	Q02H	Q02H	Q02H	Q02H
ca_illness		Q03	Q03	Q03	Q03	Q03	Q03	Q03	Q03
ca_illasaw*		Q04	Q04	Q04	Q04	Q04	Q04	Q04	Q04
ca_routine		Q05	Q05	Q05	Q05	Q05	Q05	Q05	Q05
ca_rtnasaw*		Q06	Q06	Q06	Q06	Q06	Q06	Q06	Q06
ca_visits		Q07	Q07	Q07	Q07	Q07	Q07	Q07	Q07
ca_emerquex		Q09	Q09	—	—	—			
ca_emeransr		Q10	Q10	—	—	—			
ca_emerfup	R	Q11	Q11	—	—	—			
ca_wt15mns*		Q08	Q08	Q08	Q08	Q08	Q08	Q08	
rate_care*		Q12	Q12	Q09	Q09	Q09	Q09	Q09	Q08
ca_equipment		D	Q13	Q10	Q10	Q10	Q10	Q10	
ca_getequip		D	Q14	Q11	Q11	Q11	Q11	Q11	
ca_therapy						D	Q12	Q12	
ca_gettherapy						D	Q13	Q13	
md_have		Q13	Q15	Q12	Q12	Q12	Q14	Q14	Q09
md_visits		Q14	Q16	Q13	Q13	Q13	Q15	Q15	Q10
md_explain*		Q15	Q17	Q14	Q14	Q14	Q16	Q16	Q11
md_listen*		Q16	Q18	Q15	Q15	Q15	Q17	Q17	Q12
md_respect*		Q17	Q19	Q16	Q16	Q16	Q18	Q18	Q13
md_sptime*		Q18	Q20	Q17	Q17	Q17	Q19	Q19	Q14
rate_md*		Q19	Q21	Q18	Q18	Q18	Q20	Q20	Q15
md_medrecs*		Q20	Q22	Q19					
md_hlthcond			D	Q25	Q19	Q19			
md_ezinstr			D	Q26	Q20	Q20			
md_descinstr			D	Q27	Q21	Q21			
md_test		Q21	Q23	Q20	—	—			
md_testfup*		Q22	Q24	Q21	—	—			
md_testasan*		Q23	Q25	Q22					
md_rxmeds		Q24	Q26	Q23					
md_talkmeds*		Q25	Q27	Q24					
md_hhdevice	R	Q26							
md_hhdhelp	R	Q27							
md_hhdtalk		Q28							
md_morethan1		Q29	Q28	Q28					
md_needmngca		Q30	Q29	Q29					
md_getmngca*	R	Q31	Q30	Q30					
md_cacoord			D	Q31	Q22				
md_visnotes	R	Q32	Q31	Q32					
sp_persmd		Q33	Q32						
sp_tryappt		Q34	Q33	Q33	Q23	Q22	Q21	Q21	Q16

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sp_getappt*		Q35	Q34	Q34	Q24	Q23	Q22	Q22	Q17
pp_specwait	R						—	—	
sp_visits		Q36	Q35	Q35	Q25	Q24	Q23	Q23	Q18
rate_spec*		Q37	Q36	Q36	Q26	Q25	Q24	Q24	Q19
sp_mdinformed*		Q38	Q37	Q37	Q27	—			
md_change	R	Q39							
md_disagree	R	Q40							
md_leavansr		Q41							
md_result		Q42							
sp_informed						—			
sp_cacoord						—			
pp_specvis				—	—	—	—	—	
pp_specntwk						—	—	—	
pp_specrec							—	—	
pp_specfar	R						—	—	
pp_specfew	R						—	—	
pp_speclist	R							—	
pl_needcare		Q43	Q38	Q38	Q28	Q26	Q25	Q25	Q20
pl_getcare*		Q44	Q39	Q39	Q29	Q27	Q26	Q26	Q21
pl_paperwk		Q48	Q43	Q43	Q33	Q31	Q30	Q30	Q25
pl_ezpaper*		Q49	Q44	Q44	Q34	Q32	Q31	Q31	Q26
rate_plan*		Q50	Q45	Q45	Q35	Q33	Q32	Q32	Q27
pl_remindappt	R	Q51A	Q46A						
pl_remindflu	R	Q51B	Q46B						
pl_remindtest	R	Q51C	Q46C						
pl_lowercopay	R								
pl_xtrabenefits	R								
pl_hospovn		Q52	Q47						
pl_hospfup	R	Q53	Q48						
pl_chgnotice	R					—			
pl_benedoc	R					—			
pl_insagtcall						—			
pl_insagtvis						—			
pl_insagtswtch						—			
pp_enoughmds	R			—	—	—	—	—	
pp_findmd				—	—	—	—	—	
pp_findmdphon						—	—	—	
pp_findmdcs						—	—	—	
pp_findmdweb						—	—	—	
pp_findmdemp							—	—	
pp_findmddir						—	—	—	
pp_findmdoth						—	—	—	
pp_findmdoth_txt						—	—	—	
pp_accinfo	R			—	—	—	—	—	
pp_inaccoffc							—	—	
pp_inaccs							—	—	
pp_inaccweb							—	—	
pp_inaccemp							—	—	
pp_inaccdir							—	—	
pp_inaccoth							—	—	
pp_inaccoth_txt							—	—	
pl_value							D	Q33	



Variable	Reverse	2014 Year 8	2013 Year 7	2012 Year 6	2011 Year 5	2010 Year 4	2009 Year 3	2008 Year 2	2007 Year 1
lim_climb								D	Q31
lim_acomls	R							D	Q32
lim_regact	R							D	Q33
lim_acomlsem	R							D	Q34
lim_regactem	R							D	Q35
lim_painint	R							D	Q36
sf_calm	R							D	Q37
sf_energy	R							D	Q38
sf_downblue								D	Q39
lim_socacts								D	Q40
ds_nointerest	R				D	Q36	Q35		
ds_depressed	R				D	Q37	Q36		
cnd_seemd2		Q63	Q58	Q55	Q44	Q38	Q37	Q36	Q41
cnd_last3mo		Q64	Q59	Q56	Q45	Q39	Q38	Q37	Q42
cnd_rxmeds		Q65	Q60	Q57	Q46	Q40	Q39	Q38	Q43
cnd_meds3mo		Q66	Q61	Q58	Q47	Q41	Q40	Q39	Q44
rxmedslist						D	Q41	Q40	Q45
rxezmeds		Q67	Q62	Q59	Q48	Q42	Q42		
rxinspay		Q68	Q63	Q60	Q49	Q43	Q43		
rxdelay		Q69	Q64	Q61	Q50	Q44	Q44	Q41	Q46
rxmailunreq		—							
pdpenroll	R	Q70							
mtm_enrollprog		Q71							
mtm_medansr	R	Q72							
mtm_meduse	R	Q73							
mtm_summ	R	Q74							
mtm_info	R	Q75							
mtm_prog	R	Q76							
knowcare	R				D	Q45	Q45	Q42	Q47
helperscare					D	Q46	Q46	Q43	Q48
helproutine					D	Q47	Q47	Q44	Q49
lim_physcond					D	Q48	Q48	Q45	Q50
cnd_heartattack		Q77A	Q65A	Q62A	Q51A	Q49A	Q49A	Q46A	
cnd_angina		Q77B	Q65B	Q62B	Q51B	Q49B	Q49B	Q46B	
cnd_stroke		D	Q65C	Q62C	Q51C	Q49C	Q49C	Q46C	
cnd_hbp		Q77C							
cnd_cancer		Q77D	Q65D	Q62D	Q51D	Q49D	Q49D	Q46D	
cnd_copd		Q77E	Q65E	Q62E	Q51E	Q49E	Q49E	Q46E	
cnd_diabetes		Q77F	Q65F	Q62F	Q51F	Q49F	Q49F	Q46F	
prob_walking									
prob_dressing									
prob_errands									
im_flu1last	R	Q78	Q66	Q63	Q52	Q50	Q50	Q47	Q51
im_flu1plan							—	—	—
im_pneum	R	Q79	Q67	Q64	Q53	Q51	Q51	Q48	Q52
smokenow		Q80	Q68	Q65	Q54	Q52	Q52	Q49	Q53
advsquit						D	Q53	Q50	Q54
smokequit		Q81	Q69	Q66	Q55	Q53			
agecat		D	Q70	Q67	Q56	Q54	Q54	Q51	Q55
gender		D	Q71	Q68	Q57	Q55	Q55	Q52	Q56
educ		Q82	Q72	Q69	Q58	Q56	Q56	Q53	Q57
race_hisp		Q83	Q73	Q70	Q59	Q57	Q57	Q54	Q58

Variable	Reverse	2014 Year 8	2013 Year 7	2012 Year 6	2011 Year 5	2010 Year 4	2009 Year 3	2008 Year 2	2007 Year 1
race_white		Q84A	Q74A	Q71A	Q60A	Q58A	Q58A	Q55A	Q59A
race_black		Q84B	Q74B	Q71B	Q60B	Q58B	Q58B	Q55B	Q59B
race_asian		Q84C	Q74C	Q71C	Q60C	Q58C	Q58C	Q55C	Q59C
race_pacific		Q84D	Q74D	Q71D	Q60D	Q58D	Q58D	Q55D	Q59D
race_natamer		Q84E	Q74E	Q71E	Q60E	Q58E	Q58E	Q55E	Q59E
proxy		Q88	Q75	Q72	Q61	Q59	Q59	Q56	Q60
proxy_read		Q89A	Q76A	Q73A	Q62A	Q60A	Q60A	Q57A	Q61A
proxy_writ		Q89B	Q76B	Q73B	Q62B	Q60B	Q60B	Q57B	Q61B
proxy_answ		Q89C	Q76C	Q73C	Q62C	Q60C	Q60C	Q57C	Q61C
proxy_tran		Q89D	Q76D	Q73D	Q62D	Q60D	Q60D	Q57D	Q61D
proxy_othr		Q89E	Q76E	Q73E	Q62E	Q60E	Q60E	Q57E	Q61E
proxy_othr_txt					D	Q60_O	Q60_O	Q57_O	Q61_O
living_arr							D	Q58	Q62
living_arr_txt							D	Q58_O	Q62_O
living_alone			D	Q74	Q63	Q61	Q61		
living_numinhh		Q85	Q77						
lim_bathing		Q86A	Q78A	Q75A	Q64A	Q62A	Q62A	Q59A	Q63A
lim_dressing		Q86B	Q78B	Q75B	Q64B	Q62B	Q62B	Q59B	Q63B
lim_eating		Q86C	Q78C	Q75C	Q64C	Q62C	Q62C	Q59C	Q63C
lim_chairs		Q86D	Q78D	Q75D	Q64D	Q62D	Q62D	Q59D	Q63D
lim_walking		Q86E	Q78E	Q75E	Q64E	Q62E	Q62E	Q59E	Q63E
lim_toilet		Q86F	Q78F	Q75F	Q64F	Q62F	Q62F	Q59F	Q63F
web_at_home									
recontact		Q87	Q79	Q76	Q65	Q63	Q63	Q60	Q64
dayphone						D	Q64	Q61	Q65

## **V. Composites: 2007 to 2023**



The following tables contain composite crosswalk information for 2007 to 2023. The tables include composite names, items that contribute to the composite, and question numbers across all years and survey types. The following key describes these indicators.

**D:** DROPPED

—: QUESTION NOT ASKED ON THIS SURVEY TYPE

**X:** ITEM NOT PART OF COMPOSITE

**C:** COMBINED ITEMS VARIABLE

**^:** COMBINED ITEMS

## A. FFS Survey

The following table shows composite crosswalk information for the FFS survey. <sup>2</sup>

Composite	Item	2023 Year 17	2022 Year 16	2021 Year 15	2020 Year 14	2019 Year 13	2018 Year 12	2017 Year 11	2016 Year 10	2015 Year 9
pdp_getinfo	pd_getcovinf							—	—	—
	pd_getcostinf							—	—	—
	pd_infocov									
	pd_csgetinfo							—	—	—
	pd_csrespect							—	—	—
pdp_getdrug	pd_ezrxmeds	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	pd_ezrxpharm <sup>^</sup>	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	pd_ezrxmail <sup>^</sup>	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	pd_mailpharm									
pd_cust_svc	pd_csgetinfo									
	pd_csrespect									
dr_comm	md_explain	Q13	Q13	Q13	Q13	Q13	Q13	Q13	Q15	Q15
	md_listen	Q14	Q14	Q14	Q14	Q14	Q14	Q14	Q16	Q16
	md_respect	Q15	Q15	Q15	Q15	Q15	Q15	Q15	Q17	Q17
	md_sptime	Q16	Q16	Q16	Q16	Q16	Q16	Q16	Q18	Q18
care_need	sp_getappt	Q29	Q29	Q29	Q29	Q29	Q29	Q29	Q35	Q35
	pl_getcare	Q10	Q10	Q10	Q10	Q10	Q10	Q10	Q44	Q44
care_quik	ca_illasaw	Q04	Q04	Q04	Q04	Q04	Q04	Q04	Q04	Q04
	ca_rtnasaw	Q06	Q06	Q06	Q06	Q06	Q06	Q06	Q06	Q06
	ca_wt15mns	Q08	Q08	Q08	Q08	Q08	Q08	Q08	Q08	Q08
cust_svc	cs_csgetinfo	Q38	Q38	Q38	Q38	Q38	Q38	Q38	Q46	Q46
	cs_csrespect	Q39	Q39	Q39	Q39	Q39	Q39	Q39	Q47	Q47
	pl_ezpaper	Q41	Q41	Q41	Q41	Q41	Q41	Q41	Q49	Q49
care_coord	md_medresc	Q18	Q18	Q18	Q18	Q18	Q18	Q18	Q20	Q20
	md_testfup <sup>^</sup>	Q20	Q20	Q20	Q20	Q20	Q20	Q20	Q22	Q22
	md_testasan <sup>^</sup>	Q21	Q21	Q21	Q21	Q21	Q21	Q21	Q23	Q23
	md_testcomb	C	C	C	C	C	C	C	C	C
	md_talkmeds	Q23	Q23	Q23	Q23	Q23	Q23	Q23	Q25	Q25
	r_md_getmngca	Q26	Q26	Q26	Q26	Q26	Q26	Q26	Q31	Q31
	sp_mdinformd	Q32	Q32	Q32	Q32	Q32	Q32	Q32	Q38	Q38

<sup>2</sup>Note that in 2007-2010, the FFS survey only covered FFS-Only and not those with Part D coverage.

Composite	Item	2014 Year 8	2013 Year 7	2012 Year 6	2011 Year 5	2010 Year 4	2009 Year 3	2008 Year 2	2007 Year 1
pdp_getinfo	pd_getcovinf	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	pd_getcostinf	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	pd_infocov							—	—
	pd_csgetinfo	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	pd_csrespect	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
pdp_getdrug	pd_ezrxmeds	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	pd_ezrxpharm^	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	pd_ezrxmail^	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	pd_mailpharm								
pd_cust_svc	pd_csgetinfo							—	—
	pd_csrespect							—	—
dr_comm	md_explain	Q15	Q17	Q14	Q14	Q14	Q16	Q16	Q11
	md_listen	Q16	Q18	Q15	Q15	Q15	Q17	Q17	Q12
	md_respect	Q17	Q19	Q16	Q16	Q16	Q18	Q18	Q13
	md_sptime	Q18	Q20	Q17	Q17	Q17	Q19	Q19	Q14
care_need	sp_getappt	Q35	Q34	Q34	Q24	Q23	Q22	Q22	Q17
	pl_getcare	Q44	Q39	Q39	Q29	Q27	Q26	Q26	Q21
care_quik	ca_illasaw	Q04	Q04	Q04	Q04	Q04	Q04	Q04	Q04
	ca_rtnasaw	Q06	Q06	Q06	Q06	Q06	Q06	Q06	Q06
	ca_wt15mns	Q08	Q08	Q08	Q08	Q08	Q08	Q08	
cust_svc	cs_csgetinfo	Q46	Q41	Q41	Q31	Q29	Q28	Q28	Q23
	cs_csrespect	Q47	Q42	Q42	Q32	Q30	Q29	Q29	Q24
	pl_ezpaper	Q49	Q44	Q44	Q34	Q32	Q31	Q31	X
care_coord	md_medrecs	Q20	Q22	Q19					
	md_testfup^	Q22	Q24	Q21	—	—			
	md_testasan^	Q23	Q25	Q22					
	md_testcomb	C	C	C					
	md_talkmeds	Q25	Q27	Q24					
	r_md_getmngca	Q31	Q30	Q30					
	sp_mdinformd	Q38	Q37	Q37	X	—			