

# RAND HRS 2014 Fat File

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## 1). Important Things to Note:

- a). The RAND HRS 2014 Fat File is based on HRS 2014 Core (Final V2.0, December 2017) data, and the Tracker 2014 (Final V1.0, July 2017) file.
- b). The RAND HRS 2014 Fat File does not include the raw variables from the pension (PR\_P) or jobs (PR\_JB) preloads sections. The raw variables from the pension (J\_P) section, however, are included in the Fat Files, and have been transposed to the Respondent level.
- c). In 2018, HHIPDN=544849010 married HHIPDN=540162010. In this file we changed HHIDPN=906126010 to be HHIPDN=906543020 and updated HHID and PN to reflect this change. We set the sub-household ID (OSUBHH) to 1 until the marriage in 2018, at which point we set it to 0, to match their spouse. This ensures the Respondent is recorded as a separate household until they marry in 2018.
- d). RAND HRS Fat File documentation can be found on the [RAND Center for the Study of Aging](#) website. Please note, however, that these documents are unlike traditional codebooks in the sense that they do not contain information about specific variables from the survey (e.g., frequencies, question text, etc.). For this, we recommend that users examine the [HRS Codebooks](#) and [HRS Questionnaires](#) for the key variables under study.

## 2). RAND HRS Data Distribution Files:

Distribution File Name	Included Files	Description
h14f2b_SAS.zip	h14f2b.sas7bdat	Dataset (SAS)
	h14f2b.cont	Contents listing (SAS)
	hrs14.fmt	Formats (SAS)
h14f2b_SPSS.zip	h14f2b.sav	Dataset (SPSS)
h14f2b_STATA.zip	h14f2b.dta	Dataset (STATA SE)

NOTE: All of the ZIP packages in the above table include this file as well (README\_fat14.pdf).