

Liberia - Population and Housing Census 1974 - IPUMS Subset

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Sampling

Sampling Procedure

MICRODATA SOURCE: Liberian Institute of Statistics and Geo-Information Systems

SAMPLE DESIGN: Sample represents approximately 10 percent of each of the cells obtained by the cross classification of 17 broad age groups, two sex categories and two divisions of working and non-working. The sample selected from each of the 68 strata is considered representative of the Liberian population.

SAMPLE UNIT: Individuals

SAMPLE FRACTION: 10%

SAMPLE SIZE (person records): 150,256

Weighting

Self-weighting (expansion factor=10)

Questionnaires

Overview

Single form with sections on individuals and housing characteristics and amenities.

Data Collection

Data Collection Dates

Start	End	Cycle
1974-02-01	1974-02-01	N/A

Time Periods

Start	End	Cycle
1974-02-01	1974-02-01	N/A

Data Collection Mode

Face-to-face [f2f]

DATA COLLECTION NOTES

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Data Processing

No content available

Data Appraisal

No content available

File Description

Variable List

LBR1974-H-H

Content	Household records
Cases	0
Variable(s)	22
Structure	Type: relational Keys: SERIAL(Household serial number)
Version	Version 6.4, IPUMS sample
Producer	Minnesota Population Center
Missing Data	

Variables

ID	Name	Label	Type	Format	Question
V1	RECTYPE	Record type	discrete	character	
V2	SAMPLE	IPUMS sample identifier	discrete	numeric	
V3	YEAR	Year	discrete	numeric	
V4	SERIAL	Household serial number	contin	numeric	
V5	PERSONS	Number of person records in the household	contin	numeric	
V6	GEOLEV1	1st subnational geographic level, world [consistent boundaries over time]	discrete	numeric	
V7	URBAN	Urban-rural status	discrete	numeric	
V8	REGIONW	Continent and region of country	discrete	numeric	
V9	GQ	Group quarters (collective dwelling) status	discrete	numeric	
V10	SUBSAMP	Subsample number	discrete	numeric	
V11	UNREL	Number of unrelated persons	discrete	numeric	
V12	LR1974A_0001	Dwelling number	contin	numeric	Dwelling number
V13	LR1974A_0021	County or territory	discrete	numeric	a. City, Town or other place name ____ b. Street address if available ____ c. Structure number ____ d. Household serial number ____
V14	LR1974A_0023	Type of group quarters	discrete	numeric	Type of group quarters
V15	LR1974A_0024	Rural-urban	discrete	numeric	Rural-urban
V16	LR1974A_0025	Strata	contin	numeric	Strata
V17	HHWT	Household weight	contin	numeric	
V18	GEO1_LR	Liberia, County 1974 - 2008 [Level 1; consistent boundaries, GIS]	discrete	numeric	
V19	GEO1_LRX	Liberia, County 1974 - 2008 [Level 1; inconsistent boundaries, harmonized by name]	discrete	numeric	
V20	GEO2_LRX	Liberia, District 1974 - 2008 [Level 2; inconsistent boundaries, harmonized by name]	discrete	numeric	
V21	COUNTRY	Country	discrete	numeric	
V22	STRATA	Strata identifier	contin	numeric	

LBR1974-P-H

Content	Person records
Cases	0
Variable(s)	57
Structure	Type: relational Keys: PERNUM(Person number), SERIAL(Household serial number [person version])
Version	Version 6.4, IPUMS sample
Producer	Minnesota Population Center
Missing Data	

Variables

ID	Name	Label	Type	Format	Question
V23	PERNUM	Person number	contin	numeric	
V24	SEX	Sex	discrete	numeric	
V25	CHBORN	Children ever born	discrete	numeric	
V26	SCHOOL	School attendance	discrete	numeric	
V27	LIT	Literacy	discrete	numeric	
V28	CLASSWK	Status in employment (class of worker) [general version]	discrete	numeric	
V29	CLASSWKD	Status in employment (class of worker) [detailed version]	discrete	numeric	
V30	BPLLR	County of birth, Liberia	discrete	numeric	
V31	EDUCLR	Educational attainment, Liberia	discrete	numeric	
V32	AGE	Age	discrete	numeric	
V33	CITIZEN	Citizenship	discrete	numeric	
V34	ISCO68A	Occupation, ISCO-1968, 3-digit	discrete	numeric	
V35	RELATE	Relationship to household head [general version]	discrete	numeric	
V36	RELATED	Relationship to household head [detailed version]	discrete	numeric	
V37	MARST	Marital status [general version]	discrete	numeric	
V38	MARSTD	Marital status [detailed version]	discrete	numeric	
V39	OCCISCO	Occupation, ISCO general	discrete	numeric	
V40	OCC	Occupation, unrecoded	contin	numeric	
V41	CHSURV	Children surviving	discrete	numeric	
V42	INDGEN	Industry, general recode	discrete	numeric	
V43	LR1974A_0400	Relationship to head	discrete	numeric	2. Relationship to head List persons in following order: HEAD. First. Wife with unmarried children. Other wives and their children (number each wife) Married children of head. Grandchildren of head. Other related persons. Other nonrelated persons.
V44	LR1974A_0401	Sex	discrete	numeric	3. Sex [] 1 Male [] 2 Female
V45	LR1974A_0402	Age	discrete	numeric	4. Age Last birth date ____

ID	Name	Label	Type	Format	Question
V46	LR1974A_0403	Marital status	discrete	numeric	5. Marital status Ask all persons over ten years [] 1 Never married [] 2 Married [] 3 Widowed [] 4 Divorced/ Separated
V47	LR1974A_0404	County or country of birth	discrete	numeric	6. Country of birth Country if outside of Liberia ____
V48	LR1974A_0405	Length of residence in years	discrete	numeric	7. Length of residence Number of years person lived in this country. If always, enter "25." If less than one year, enter "00". ____
V49	LR1974A_0406	Citizenship	discrete	numeric	8. Citizen of Liberia [] 1 Yes [] 2 No
V50	LR1974A_0407	Tribal affiliation	discrete	numeric	9. Tribe Write name of tribe. If no tribe enter "00" ____
V51	LR1974A_0408	Literacy	discrete	numeric	Ask all persons over the age of five years 10. Literacy Can person read and write English? [] 1 Yes [] 2 No
V52	LR1974A_0409	School attendance	discrete	numeric	Ask all persons over the age of five years 11. School attendance Is person presently attending school? [] 1 Yes [] 2 No
V53	LR1974A_0410	Highest degree completed	discrete	numeric	Ask all persons over the age of five years 12. Highest grade completed What was the highest grade completed? ____ If none enter "00"
V54	LR1974A_0411	Children at home	discrete	numeric	Ask all women over age 10 years 13. Number of children born Ask all women over age 14 years regardless of marital status. _ At home _ Away from home _ Died _ Ever born _ Surviving
V55	LR1974A_0412	Children ever born	discrete	numeric	Ask all women over age 10 years 13. Number of children born Ask all women over age 14 years regardless of marital status. _ At home _ Away from home _ Died _ Ever born _ Surviving
V56	LR1974A_0413	Children surviving	discrete	numeric	Ask all women over age 10 years 13. Number of children born Ask all women over age 14 years regardless of marital status. _ At home _ Away from home _ Died _ Ever born _ Surviving
V57	LR1974A_0414	Births last year	discrete	numeric	Ask all women over age 10 years 14. Children born in past year ____
V58	LR1974A_0415	Economic activity	discrete	numeric	Ask all persons over age 10 years 15. Economic activity What was person doing most during past 12 months? (If the person reported as anything but working, skip columns on occupation, industry and work status.) [] 1 Working [] 2 Keeping house [] 3 Student [] 4 Retired [] 5 Other
V59	LR1974A_0416	Work status	discrete	numeric	Ask all persons over age 10 years 18. Work status: Was person paid employee? Was person employer? Was person self-employed? Was person unpaid family worker? [] 1 Employee [] 2 Employer [] 3 Self-employed [] 4 Unpaid family worker
V60	LR1974A_0421	Occupation (2-digit)	discrete	numeric	Ask all persons over age 10 years 16. Usual occupation If person working, what type of work did they do? Example: Rice farmer, auto mechanic CODE: ____
V61	LR1974A_0418	Industry (3-digit)	discrete	numeric	Ask all persons over age 10 years 17. Business or industry What kind of business or industry did person work in? Example: Iron mine, Rice farm CODE: ____
V62	LR1974A_0420	Industry (1-digit)	discrete	numeric	Ask all persons over age 10 years 17. Business or industry What kind of business or industry did person work in? Example: Iron mine, Rice farm CODE: ____
V63	LR1974A_0419	Locality size (localities with population)	discrete	numeric	Locality size (localities with population)
V64	PERWT	Person weight	contin	numeric	

ID	Name	Label	Type	Format	Question
V65	IND	Industry, unrecoded	contin	numeric	
V66	YRSCHOOL	Years of schooling	discrete	numeric	
V67	EDATTAIN	Educational attainment, international recode [general version]	discrete	numeric	
V68	EDATTAIND	Educational attainment, international recode [detailed version]	discrete	numeric	
V69	ETHNICLR	Ethnicity, Liberia	discrete	numeric	
V70	BPLCOUNTRY	Country of birth	discrete	numeric	
V71	BIRTHSLYR	Number of births last year	discrete	numeric	
V72	HOMECHILD	Number of own children in household	discrete	numeric	
V73	NATIVITY	Nativity status	discrete	numeric	
V74	AGE2	Age, grouped into intervals	discrete	numeric	
V75	YEARP	Year [person version]	contin	numeric	
V76	SAMPLEP	IPUMS sample identifier [person version]	contin	numeric	
V77	SERIAL	Household serial number [person version]	contin	numeric	
V78	COUNTRYP	Country [person version]	contin	numeric	
V79	RECTYPEP	Record type [person version]	discrete	character	

Record type (RECTYPE)

File: LBR1974-H-H

Overview

Type: Discrete	Valid cases: 0
Format: character	Invalid: 0
Width: 1	

Description

RECTYPE identifies the type of record for the case: household or person.

NOTE: RECTYPE is an alphabetic (character string) variable with a value of 'H' for household records and 'P' for person records. RECTYPE will not appear as a variable in the default rectangular extracts produced by the data extract system. It is only available in hierarchical extracts, to distinguish between the two record types.

IPUMS sample identifier (SAMPLE)

File: LBR1974-H-H

Overview

Type: Discrete	Valid cases: 0
Format: numeric	Invalid: 0
Width: 9	
Decimals: 0	
Range: 32197001-894201001	

Description

SAMPLE identifies the IPUMS sample from which the case is drawn. Each sample receives a unique 9-digit code. The code is structured as follows:

The first 3 digits are the ISO/UN codes used in COUNTRY

The next 4 digits are the year of the census/survey

The final 2 digits identify the sample within the year. For the last two digits, censuses or large census-like surveys have a value "0" (e.g, 01) in the second-to-last digit, household surveys have a value of "2" (e.g., 21), and employment surveys have a value of "4" (e.g., 41).

Year (YEAR)

File: LBR1974-H-H

Overview

Type: Discrete	Valid cases: 0
Format: numeric	Invalid: 0
Width: 4	
Decimals: 0	
Range: 1960-2011	

Description

YEAR gives the year in which the census was taken.

Household serial number (SERIAL)

File: LBR1974-H-H

Household serial number (SERIAL)

File: LBR1974-H-H

Overview

Type: Continuous	Valid cases: 0
Format: numeric	Invalid: 0
Width: 10	
Decimals: 0	

Description

SERIAL is an identifying number unique to each household in a given sample. All person records are assigned the same serial number as the household record that they follow. (Person records also have their own unique identifiers -- see PERNUM.) The combination of SAMPLE and SERIAL provides a unique identifier for every household in the IPUMS-International database; SAMPLE, SERIAL and PERNUM uniquely identify every person in the database.

SERIAL can be used to identify dwellings in some samples. In these samples, the first 7 digits of SERIAL provide the dwelling number common to all households that were sampled from the same structure. The last three digits give the sequence of the household within the dwelling. The following is a list of samples in which dwellings can be inferred:

Chile 1970, 1992, 2002
 Colombia 1993, 2005
 Costa Rica 1984, 2000
 Cuba 2002
 Dominican Republic 1981, 2002, 2010
 Ecuador 1990, 2001
 Germany 1971
 Hungary 1980, 1990, 2001
 Jamaica 1982, 1991, 2001
 Malaysia 1970, 1991, 2000
 Mexico 1995, 1990, 2000, 2005
 Nigeria 2006
 Panama 2000
 Peru 1993, 2007
 Portugal 1981, 1991, 2001
 Spain 1991
 Uruguay 2011
 Venezuela 1990, 2001
 Vietnam 1989

In all other samples, the last 3 digits are always zeroes.

SERIAL was constructed for IPUMS-International, and has no relation to the serial number in the original datasets.

Number of person records in the household (PERSONS)

File: LBR1974-H-H

Overview

Type: Continuous	Valid cases: 0
Format: numeric	Invalid: 0
Width: 3	
Decimals: 0	

Description

PERSONS indicates how many person records are included in the household (i.e., the number of person records associated with the household record in the sample). These person records will all have the same serial number (SERIAL) as the household record. The information contained in the household record will normally apply to all of these persons.

1st subnational geographic level, world [consistent boundaries over time] (GEOLEV1)

File: LBR1974-H-H

Overview

Type: Discrete	Valid cases: 0
Format: numeric	Invalid: 0
Width: 6	
Decimals: 0	
Range: 32002-894010	

Description

GEOLEV1 indicates the major administrative unit in which the household was enumerated. The variable incorporates the geographies for every country, to enable cross-national geographic analysis over time. First administrative units in GEOLEV1 have been spatiotemporally harmonized to provide spatially consistent boundaries across samples in each country.

Urban-rural status (URBAN)

File: LBR1974-H-H

Overview

Type: Discrete	Valid cases: 0
Format: numeric	Invalid: 0
Width: 1	
Decimals: 0	
Range: 1-9	

Description

URBAN indicates whether the household was located in a place designated as urban or as rural.

Continent and region of country (REGIONW)

File: LBR1974-H-H

Overview

Type: Discrete	Valid cases: 0
Format: numeric	Invalid: 0
Width: 2	
Decimals: 0	
Range: 11-54	

Description

REGIONW identifies the continent and region of each country.

Group quarters (collective dwelling) status (GQ)

File: LBR1974-H-H

Overview

Type: Discrete	Valid cases: 0
Format: numeric	Invalid: 0
Width: 2	
Decimals: 0	
Range: 0-99	

Description

Group quarters (collective dwelling) status (GQ)

File: LBR1974-H-H

GQ identifies households as vacant dwellings, group quarters, or private households. Group quarters -- collective dwellings -- are generally institutions and other group living arrangements such as rooming houses and boarding schools.

Institutions often retain persons under formal supervision or custody, such as correctional institutions, military barracks, asylums, or nursing homes. Educational and religious group dwellings (e.g., boarding schools, convents, monasteries, etc.) are also included in the institutional classification.

Group quarter designations are often useful for understanding the universe of households that answered questions about household characteristics. Censuses will often exclude group quarters from such questions.

Subsample number (SUBSAMP)

File: LBR1974-H-H

Overview

Type: Discrete
Format: numeric
Width: 2
Decimals: 0
Range: 0-99

Valid cases: 0
Invalid: 0

Description

SUBSAMP allocates each case to one of 100 subsample replicates, randomly numbered from 0 to 99. Each subsample is nationally representative and preserves any stratification of the sample from which it is drawn. Users who need a representative subset of a sample can use SUBSAMP to select their cases. For example, to randomly extract 10% of the cases from a sample, select any 10 of the 100 subsamples.

Number of unrelated persons (UNREL)

File: LBR1974-H-H

Overview

Type: Discrete
Format: numeric
Width: 1
Decimals: 0
Range: 0-9

Valid cases: 0
Invalid: 0

Description

UNREL indicates the number of persons in the household who are unrelated to the head.

Dwelling number (LR1974A_0001)

File: LBR1974-H-H

Overview

Type: Continuous
Format: numeric
Width: 7
Decimals: 0

Valid cases: 0
Invalid: 0

Description

This variable indicates the dwelling number.

Universe

All records

Literal question

Dwelling number

County or territory (LR1974A_0021)

File: LBR1974-H-H

Overview

Type: Discrete
 Format: numeric
 Width: 2
 Decimals: 0
 Range: 1-14

Valid cases: 0
 Invalid: 0

Description

This variable indicates the county or territory where the household is located.

Universe

All households

Literal question

- a. City, Town or other place name ____
- b. Street address if available ____
- c. Structure number ____
- d. Household serial number ____

Type of group quarters (LR1974A_0023)

File: LBR1974-H-H

Overview

Type: Discrete
 Format: numeric
 Width: 1
 Decimals: 0
 Range: 1-2

Valid cases: 0
 Invalid: 0

Description

This variable indicates the group quarters.

Universe

All households

Literal question

Type of group quarters

Interviewer instructions

Type of group quarters (LR1974A_0023)

File: LBR1974-H-H

The following are examples of "group quarters":

1. Boarding Schools
2. Homes for Destitute
3. Convents
4. Mental Institutions
5. Prisons
6. "Bush" Societies
7. Military and Police barracks
8. Hotels
9. Nurses' Home
10. Hospital
11. Leper Colonies
12. Orphanage

b. Group Quarters:

1. Group Quarters are defined as institutions where people reside on a permanent or semi-permanent basis and in which the residents are identified with the institution rather than with any family relationship.
2. Examples of Group Quarters are Prisons, Leper Colonies, Police and Military Barracks, Convents, "Bush Societies", Hotels.
3. In Item "C" write the name of the Group Quarter and if appropriate, enter the type of Quarters. For example enter "Travelers Roast" as the name of the Group Quarters and Hotel as the type of quarters.
4. Name-Column (1): Enter the name of each person interviewed; no particular listing order is required.
5. Relationship-Column (2): Enter the name which best describes the person's status in the Group Quarters. If for example, a prison is under enumeration, the person's relationship will be "inmate;" If the quarter is a hotel the relationship will be "lodger."
6. Remaining Columns form PH-7: Enter all information required in column 2 through 18.

c. Special group quarters:

1. In most D.A.'s the supply of Form PH-7 in your enumeration Workbook will be more than sufficient, however in areas where a large institution or other such place is located you will not have a sufficient supply. Your supervisor will give you extra Forms; these must be included in your Workbook when you complete your B.A.

Rural-urban (LR1974A_0024)

File: LBR1974-H-H

Overview

Type: Discrete
 Format: numeric
 Width: 1
 Decimals: 0
 Range: 1-2

Valid cases: 0
 Invalid: 0

Description

This variable indicates the area type.

Universe

All households

Literal question

Rural-urban

Strata (LR1974A_0025)

File: LBR1974-H-H

Overview

Type: Continuous
Format: numeric
Width: 5
Decimals: 0

Valid cases: 0
Invalid: 0

Description

This variable is the strata identifier for the sample. Strata is a constructed variable that captures implicit geographic stratification resulting from the sample design. It is created by assigning a unique identifier to groups of between 10 and 19 adjacent households. Additional documentation is available on the Variance Estimation page.

Universe

All households

Literal question

Strata

Household weight (HHWT)

File: LBR1974-H-H

Overview

Type: Continuous
Format: numeric
Width: 8
Decimals: 2

Valid cases: 0
Invalid: 0

Description

HHWT indicates the number of households in the population represented by the household in the sample.

For the samples that are truly weighted (see the comparability discussion), HHWT must be used to yield accurate household-level statistics.

NOTE: HHWT has 2 implied decimal places. That is, the last two digits of the eight-digit variable are decimal digits, but there is no actual decimal in the data.

Liberia, County 1974 - 2008 [Level 1; consistent boundaries, GIS] (GEO1_LR)

File: LBR1974-H-H

Overview

Type: Discrete
Format: numeric
Width: 6
Decimals: 0
Range: 430006-430039

Valid cases: 0
Invalid: 0

Description

Liberia, County 1974 - 2008 [Level 1; consistent boundaries, GIS] (GEO1_LR)

File: LBR1974-H-H

GEO1_LR identifies the household's county within Liberia in all sample years. Counties are the first level administrative units of the country. GEO1_LR is spatially harmonized to account for political boundary changes across census years. Some detail is lost in harmonization; see the comparability discussion. A GIS map (in shapefile format), corresponding to GEO1_LR can be downloaded from the GIS Boundary files page in the IPUMS International web site.

The full set of geography variables for Liberia can be found in the IPUMS International Geography variables list. For cross-national geographic analysis on the first and second major administrative level refer to GEOLEV1, and GEOLEV2. More information on IPUMS-International geography can be found here.

At the present moment, IPUMS International is only releasing integrated geography for the first level of geography for Liberia. Year specific geography and maps along with variables that are spatially harmonized at the second level of geography and account for political boundary changes across census years will become available in the near future.

Liberia, County 1974 - 2008 [Level 1; inconsistent boundaries, harmonized by name] (GEO1_LRX)

File: LBR1974-H-H

Overview

Type: Discrete
Format: numeric
Width: 2
Decimals: 0
Range: 3-51

Valid cases: 0
Invalid: 0

Description

GEO1_LRX identifies the household's county within Liberia in all sample years. Counties are the first level administrative units of the country. GEO1_LRX is harmonized by name and does not account for boundary changes over time.

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Liberia, District 1974 - 2008 [Level 2; inconsistent boundaries, harmonized by name] (GEO2_LRX)

File: LBR1974-H-H

Overview

Type: Discrete
Format: numeric
Width: 4
Decimals: 0
Range: 302-4599

Valid cases: 0
Invalid: 0

Description

Liberia, District 1974 - 2008 [Level 2; inconsistent boundaries, harmonized by name] (GEO2_LRX)

File: LBR1974-H-H

GEO2_LRX identifies the district within Liberia in all sample years. Districts are the second level administrative units of the country, after states. GEO2_LRX is harmonized by name and does not account for boundary changes over time.

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Country (COUNTRY)

File: LBR1974-H-H

Overview

Type: Discrete
Format: numeric
Width: 3
Decimals: 0
Range: 32-894

Valid cases: 0
Invalid: 0

Description

COUNTRY gives the country from which the sample was drawn. The codes assigned to each country are those used by the UN Statistics Division and the ISO (International Organization for Standardization).

Strata identifier (STRATA)

File: LBR1974-H-H

Overview

Type: Continuous
Format: numeric
Width: 12
Decimals: 0

Valid cases: 0
Invalid: 0

Description

This variable is the strata identifier for the sample. The STRATA variable provides information about the sample design that can be used to improve estimation.

Person number (PERNUM)

File: LBR1974-P-H

Overview

Type: Continuous
Format: numeric
Width: 3
Decimals: 0

Valid cases: 0
Invalid: 0

Description

PERNUM numbers all persons within each household consecutively (starting with "1" for the first person record of each household). When combined with SAMPLE and SERIAL, PERNUM uniquely identifies each person in the IPUMS-International database.

Sex (SEX)

File: LBR1974-P-H

Overview

Type: Discrete
Format: numeric
Width: 1
Decimals: 0
Range: 1-9

Valid cases: 0
Invalid: 0

Description

SEX reports the sex (gender) of the respondent.

Children ever born (CHBORN)

File: LBR1974-P-H

Overview

Type: Discrete
Format: numeric
Width: 2
Decimals: 0
Range: 0-99

Valid cases: 0
Invalid: 0

Description

CHBORN reports the number of children ever born to each woman of whom the question was asked. In most samples, women were to report all live births by all fathers, whether or not the child was still living.

School attendance (SCHOOL)

File: LBR1974-P-H

Overview

Type: Discrete
Format: numeric
Width: 1
Decimals: 0
Range: 0-9

Valid cases: 0
Invalid: 0

Description

SCHOOL indicates whether or not the person attended school at the time of the census or within some specified period of time prior to the census.

Literacy (LIT)

File: LBR1974-P-H

Overview

Type: Discrete
Format: numeric
Width: 1
Decimals: 0
Range: 0-9

Valid cases: 0
Invalid: 0

Description

LIT indicates whether or not the respondent could read and write in any language. A person is typically considered literate if he or she can both read and write. All other persons are illiterate, including those who can either read or write but cannot do both.

Status in employment (class of worker) [general version]

(CLASSWK)

File: LBR1974-P-H

Overview

Type: Discrete
Format: numeric
Width: 1
Decimals: 0
Range: 0-9

Valid cases: 0
Invalid: 0

Description

CLASSWK refers to the status of an economically active person with respect to his or her employment -- that is, the type of explicit or implicit contract of employment with other persons or organizations that the person has in his/her job. In general, the variable indicates whether a person was self-employed, or worked for someone else, either for pay or as an unpaid family worker. CLASSWK is related to EMPSTAT, which is used to define the universe in many samples.

Class of worker is often referred to as "status in employment" in other sources.

Status in employment (class of worker) [detailed version]

(CLASSWKD)

File: LBR1974-P-H

Overview

Type: Discrete
Format: numeric
Width: 3
Decimals: 0
Range: 0-999

Valid cases: 0
Invalid: 0

Description

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County of birth, Liberia (BPLLR)

File: LBR1974-P-H

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File: LBR1974-P-H

Overview

Type: Discrete	Valid cases: 0
Format: numeric	Invalid: 0
Width: 2	
Decimals: 0	
Range: 3-99	

Description

BPLLR indicates the person's county of birth within Liberia.

Educational attainment, Liberia (EDUCLR)

File: LBR1974-P-H

Overview

Type: Discrete	Valid cases: 0
Format: numeric	Invalid: 0
Width: 2	
Decimals: 0	
Range: 0-70	

Description

EDUCLR indicates the person's educational attainment in terms of the level of schooling completed.

Age (AGE)

File: LBR1974-P-H

Overview

Type: Discrete	Valid cases: 0
Format: numeric	Invalid: 0
Width: 3	
Decimals: 0	
Range: 0-999	

Description

AGE gives age in years as of the person's last birthday prior to or on the day of enumeration.

Citizenship (CITIZEN)

File: LBR1974-P-H

Overview

Type: Discrete	Valid cases: 0
Format: numeric	Invalid: 0
Width: 1	
Decimals: 0	
Range: 1-9	

Description

CITIZEN indicates the person's citizenship status within the country in which they were enumerated.

Occupation, ISCO-1968, 3-digit (ISCO68A)

File: LBR1974-P-H

Occupation, ISCO-1968, 3-digit (ISCO68A)

File: LBR1974-P-H

Overview

Type: Discrete	Valid cases: 0
Format: numeric	Invalid: 0
Width: 3	
Decimals: 0	
Range: 11-999	

Description

ISCO68A provides the 3-digit occupation code for the respondent using the ISCO-1968 occupation classification.

Relationship to household head [general version] (RELATE)

File: LBR1974-P-H

Overview

Type: Discrete	Valid cases: 0
Format: numeric	Invalid: 0
Width: 1	
Decimals: 0	
Range: 1-9	

Description

RELATE describes the relationship of the individual to the head of household (sometimes called the householder or reference person).

Relationship to household head [detailed version] (RELATED)

File: LBR1974-P-H

Overview

Type: Discrete	Valid cases: 0
Format: numeric	Invalid: 0
Width: 4	
Decimals: 0	
Range: 1000-9999	

Description

RELATED describes the relationship of the individual to the head of household (sometimes called the householder or reference person).

Marital status [general version] (MARST)

File: LBR1974-P-H

Overview

Type: Discrete	Valid cases: 0
Format: numeric	Invalid: 0
Width: 1	
Decimals: 0	
Range: 0-9	

Description

Marital status [general version] (MARST)

File: LBR1974-P-H

[program universe for et,mz samples.

MARST describes the person's current marital status according to law or custom. Individuals who remarried should report the status relevant to their most recent marriage. Census instructions rarely explicitly limit marital status to strictly legal unions.

Note regarding universe: The lowest age at which a person can be anything but "never married" varies among samples.

Marital status [detailed version] (MARSTD)

File: LBR1974-P-H

Overview

Type: Discrete
Format: numeric
Width: 3
Decimals: 0
Range: 0-999

Valid cases: 0
Invalid: 0

Description

[program universe for et,mz samples.

MARST describes the person's current marital status according to law or custom. Individuals who remarried should report the status relevant to their most recent marriage. Census instructions rarely explicitly limit marital status to strictly legal unions.

Note regarding universe: The lowest age at which a person can be anything but "never married" varies among samples.

Occupation, ISCO general (OCCISCO)

File: LBR1974-P-H

Overview

Type: Discrete
Format: numeric
Width: 2
Decimals: 0
Range: 1-99

Valid cases: 0
Invalid: 0

Description

OCCISCO records the person's primary occupation, coded according to the major categories in the International Standard Classification of Occupations (ISCO) scheme for 1988. For someone with more than one job, the primary occupation is typically the one in which the person had spent the most time or earned the most money.

Occupation, unrecoded (OCC)

File: LBR1974-P-H

Overview

Type: Continuous
Format: numeric
Width: 4
Decimals: 0

Valid cases: 0
Invalid: 0

Description

Occupation, unrecoded (OCC)

File: LBR1974-P-H

OCC records the person's primary occupation, classified according to the system used by the respective national census office at the time. For someone with more than one job, the primary occupation is usually the one in which the person spent the most time or earned the most money, although this may not have been explicit in the instructions for a specific census.

To ensure confidentiality, very small occupations are recoded to a residual category indicating the persons had an occupation, but the job title is not identified. The number of cases recoded should be too small to affect analyses.

Children surviving (CHSURV)

File: LBR1974-P-H

Overview

Type: Discrete
Format: numeric
Width: 2
Decimals: 0
Range: 0-99

Valid cases: 0
Invalid: 0

Description

CHSURV reports the number of children born to a woman who were still living at the time of the census.

Industry, general recode (INDGEN)

File: LBR1974-P-H

Overview

Type: Discrete
Format: numeric
Width: 3
Decimals: 0
Range: 0-999

Valid cases: 0
Invalid: 0

Description

INDGEN recodes the industrial classifications of the various samples into twelve groups that can be fairly consistently identified across all available samples. The groupings roughly conform to the International Standard Industrial Classification (ISIC). The third digit of INDGEN retains important detail among the service industries that could not be consistently distinguished in all samples.

"Industry" refers to the activity or product of the establishment or sector in which a person worked.

Relationship to head (LR1974A_0400)

File: LBR1974-P-H

Overview

Type: Discrete
Format: numeric
Width: 1
Decimals: 0
Range: 1-9

Valid cases: 0
Invalid: 0

Description

This variable indicates person's relationship to head.

Universe

All persons

Literal question

Relationship to head (LR1974A_0400)

File: LBR1974-P-H

2. Relationship to head
List persons in following order:

HEAD. First.
Wife with unmarried children.
Other wives and their children (number each wife)
Married children of head.
Grandchildren of head.
Other related persons.
Other nonrelated persons.

Interviewer instructions

4. Relationship - Column (2), Form PH-3, PH-4

Enter in Column (2) the relation which each listed person bears to the head of the household, this is usually the person who is regarded as the head by the members of the household.

Enter the word "Head" in this column on the same line as the name of the head of household.

Write "Wife", "Son", "Daughter", "Ward", etc., for other members of the household, according to their relationship to the head.

Persons not related to the head of head who are living in the household should be listed with their relatives, if any. For example, list a "lodger", his wife, and their children in that order using terms "lodger," "lodger's wife," "lodger's son", etc.

5. Relationship - Column (2), Form PH-7

Persons living in institutions or individuals with no fixed address should be designated as "Patient," "lodger," "Prisoner," etc. If you cannot find, a specific term, use "Inmate."

Official titles should be used in cases of personnel who operate the institution, provided they do not live in houses separate from institution building. If they do, treat them as regular households and follow the standard listing order.

Sex (LR1974A_0401)

File: LBR1974-P-H

Overview

Type: Discrete	Valid cases: 0
Format: numeric	Invalid: 0
Width: 1	
Decimals: 0	
Range: 1-2	

Description

This variable indicates person's sex.

Universe

All persons

Literal question

3. Sex

1 Male
 2 Female

Age (LR1974A_0402)

File: LBR1974-P-H

Overview

Age (LR1974A_0402)

File: LBR1974-P-H

Type: Discrete
Format: numeric
Width: 2
Decimals: 0
Range: 0-90

Valid cases: 0
Invalid: 0

Description

This variable indicates person's age.

Universe

All persons

Literal question

4. Age
Last birth date ____

Interviewer instructions

Age (LR1974A_0402)

File: LBR1974-P-H

6. Age Column 4

a. Enter the age (in completed years) of the persons at last birthday.

Children under 1 year should be entered as "00" years old, unless it is obvious that the child is older but is unable to crawl. If the person does not know his age determine the age by applying whatever information you can obtain which will give a close approximation of his age.

b. Methods of estimating age.

1. Relating ages of family members:

a. If you know the age of one or more persons in the household it may be possible to relate the ages of persons of unknown age to those with known ages. For example, parents under normal circumstances can be 15 to 25 years older than their oldest child, depending on whether the parent is a woman or a man. Failing this, it may be possible to relate the number of rice or other annual crops sown since the occurrence of a marriage or birth.

b. In some areas where circumcision rites are performed when a child has reached a certain age, reference to when these rites should be or have been performed on the person may provide good estimates of the person's age. In areas where the Poro or Sandi has operated, reference to attendance in such schools may provide estimates of the person's age.

2. The Estimation of Age on the Basis of Annual Groups:

a. Since most persons in the hinterland operate or work on small farms, it is often possible to estimate reasonably well the person's age and the ages of members of his household by reference to the number of times he has "made farm" since the occurrence of an event. This takes advantage of the fact that farms are made only once a year.

b. Since the most recent events are most readily recalled it is better to estimate the ages of children first, proceeding from the youngest to oldest.

c. Estimating Children's ages: Ask the head of the household: "how many times have you made farm since the birth of your youngest child?" Enter the answer in column (4) adjacent to the child's name. Then ask, "how many times did you make farm between the births of the next older child and the birth of the youngest child?" Add mentally the answer to the age of the youngest and enter the answer in column (4) adjacent to the child's name. If there are more than two children, repeat procedure of finding out the number of times farm was made between the birth of successively older children. Add this figure to the age of the younger of the two children and enter the younger of the two children and enter the answer in column (4). For example, suppose a family had three children. Farms have been made four times since the birth of the youngest child. The age of the youngest child is therefore four. This figure should be entered in column (4). Farms were made twice between the birth of the younger child and the next older child. The age of the next older child is six, the age of the youngest child plus the number of times farms was made between the birth of two children, six (6), should be entered in column (4) adjacent to the child's name. Farms were made three times between the births of the next oldest child (or middle child) and the oldest child. The age of the oldest child is therefore nine (the age of the next older child, plus the number of times farms were made between the next older child and the oldest child), nine (9) should be entered in Column (4). Circle each of these estimated ages.

d. Estimating the Mother's Age. Find out the number of times farm was made between the mother's marriage and the birth of her oldest child. Add this number to the age of the oldest child. Add fifteen (15) to the answer thus if the oldest child is nine years old and farm was made once between the birth of the oldest child and the mother's marriage, the mother should be approximately twenty-five years old, unless it is obvious that she is much older. In such a case the older age should be entered. Again, circle the estimated age.

e. Estimating the Father's Age. In general, the father's age can be approximated by adding 7 years to the age of the mother, unless it is obvious that the father is much older or somewhat younger. In such a case enter in Column (4) the age that seems most reasonably correct.

3. Relating Age to a Calendar of National, Local or International Historical events.

a. Although many people do not know what year they or others in the household were born, they may remember that they were born on or about the same time that a famous national, local or perhaps international event occurred. For example, they might know that they were born when World War II started (1939), then by subtraction you know that the person is 1974-1939 = 35 years old.

b. In some case the person knows that they were born before a given event but after another memorable occasion, such as born after president Tubman died but before President Tolbert's first Inauguration celebration, or, between 1971 and 1972.

c. In order to help you help people to estimate their age by relating it to some well-known event we have enclosed in the Appendix a Calendar of National and Local historic Events.

4. A Last Resort, Assignment of Ages.

a. In the event the above procedure is impractical a last effort should be made to determine whether a person is (a) an infant; (b) a junior child; (c) a senior child; (d) an adult in the economically active age; (e) a female in the child-bearing age; (f) an adult in the economically inactive age. The following criteria are given to distinguish between these functional groups specified above.

b. An Infant is one who may be a suckling or is suckling age but is not old enough to walk. The age of an infant is under 1 year. The age column should be double zero (00) if the child falls in this category.

c. A Junior Child is on the lower side, one who has ceased suckling or has passed suckling age, and is able to walk. On the higher side he is not yet old enough to take full care of himself on the road, or to be fully entrusted with the carrying of water for the family from a well, or with making simple purchases for the family (though he may have started these things) or attend an elementary school. The age should be marked three (3) if the child falls in this category. The range, however, is from 1 to 5 year. It is possible, by asking other questions to make a more accurate estimation [text almost completely faded on document]

c. A Senior Child is, on the lower side, one who is old enough to take full care of himself on the road, and can be entrusted safely, with the carrying of water for the family from the well, or, making simple purchases for the family or attending elementary school. On the higher side, he is not yet old enough to marry or has not fully reached the age of puberty, i.e., the age of begetting or bearing children. His age group is 6-15 inclusive. As in the case of Junior Child, try, by asking questions to assign the age within the range the child most nearly approximates. Failing that, assign an age of eleven (11).

e. An Adult Male is a person who has fully reached the age of puberty and is old enough to marry or has already married, having reached that age (excluding the case of child marriage). His age group corresponds to the age group of 16 and above. If he is not yet too old to work he is considered as in the economically active group. (It is assumed that persons over 60 years of age are not economically active). The lower limit is 16 years of age and the upper limit is 60 years of age. Again, if at all possible try to determine the approximate age within the range of 16-60. If this cannot be done although it is unlikely that it cannot, assign thirty-eight (38) as the age.

f. An Adult Female is in the child-bearing age if she is an adult and is not yet too old to bear children. This age group for women is roughly from 15 to 45. As before, an effort should be made to ascertain the correct age. Failing that, an age of 31 should be assigned females falling in this group. Women over the child-bearing age but not yet too old to work should be reported as 53 years of age. The range, however, is from 46-60. If it is possible to approximate the true age more accurately you should do it.

g. A Senior Adult is in the economically inactive age if he is too old to work. This age corresponds to 61 and above. Again, effort should be made to ascertain the true age as nearly as possible.

A guessed age is better than no age.

Marital status (LR1974A_0403)

File: LBR1974-P-H

Overview

Type: Discrete
Format: numeric
Width: 1
Decimals: 0
Range: 0-4

Valid cases: 0
Invalid: 0

Description

This variable indicates person's marital status.

Universe

Persons age 10+

Literal question

5. Marital status
Ask all persons over ten years

- 1 Never married
- 2 Married
- 3 Widowed
- 4 Divorced/ Separated

Interviewer instructions

7. Marital status -- Column (5)

a. Never Married: All persons who have never been married. If a person was married sometimes during his or her time they cannot be Never Married. All under ten years are reported as Never Married.

b. Married: All persons who report that they are currently married. "Married" as reported by the respondent is to be accepted as such. If person considers him or herself married, regardless of whether the marriage is legal or not, they are reported to be married. Conversely, if a person is living in the married state but does not report as being married, accept the reply and circle either (1) or (2). Person with multiple status: If a person is unmarried, as of the enumeration date, and has multiple status, such as being divorced in report to one spouse and widowed in respect to another, classify him according to the more recent of the two events.

c. Widowed: Persons whose spouse is dead and are not currently married or living in the married state.

d. Divorced or Separated: Persons legally or customarily divorced (whether or not legally separated), or, for persons who have been deserted or who have parted because they no longer want to live together but have not obtained a divorced.

County or country of birth (LR1974A_0404)

File: LBR1974-P-H

Overview

Type: Discrete
Format: numeric
Width: 2
Decimals: 0
Range: 1-99

Valid cases: 0
Invalid: 0

Description

This variable indicates person's place of birth.

Universe

All persons

Literal question

6. Country of birth
Country if outside of Liberia ____

Interviewer instructions

County or country of birth (LR1974A_0404)

File: LBR1974-P-H

8. Place of birth -- Column (6).

a. The county or Territory of Births: Do not write the District or any Clan of Chiefdom. If a person reports that he was in Harper he is listed as Maryland County. County of birth may not be the person's most frequent or longest term residence.

b. Write the present name of the county: Since 1964, all of the provinces have been changed into counties. For example, Western Province is now Lofa County. Do not use province names.

c. Persons who were born outside Liberia:

1. Persons of foreign birth, even though they are presently citizens of Liberia, should be recorded as to country of birth.

Length of residence in years (LR1974A_0405)

File: LBR1974-P-H

Overview

Type: Discrete
Format: numeric
Width: 2
Decimals: 0
Range: 0-99

Valid cases: 0
Invalid: 0

Description

This variable indicates person's length of residence.

Universe

All persons

Literal question

7. Length of residence

Number of years person lived in this country. If always, enter "25." If less than one year, enter "00".

Interviewer instructions

Length of residence -- Column (7)

a. Number of years person lived in present country. (Note that this is not necessarily the county or country of birth).

b. For persons who have lived in a country all of their lives enter "25" regardless of age.

Citizenship (LR1974A_0406)

File: LBR1974-P-H

Overview

Type: Discrete
Format: numeric
Width: 1
Decimals: 0
Range: 1-2

Valid cases: 0
Invalid: 0

Description

This variable indicates person's citizenship.

Universe

All persons

Literal question

Citizenship (LR1974A_0406)

File: LBR1974-P-H

8. Citizen of Liberia

1 Yes

2 No

Tribal affiliation (LR1974A_0407)

File: LBR1974-P-H

Overview

Type: Discrete
Format: numeric
Width: 2
Decimals: 0
Range: 0-19

Valid cases: 0
Invalid: 0

Description

This variable indicates person's tribal affiliation.

Universe

All persons

Literal question

9. Tribe

Write name of tribe. If no tribe enter "00"

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Literacy (LR1974A_0408)

File: LBR1974-P-H

Overview

Type: Discrete
Format: numeric
Width: 1
Decimals: 0
Range: 0-2

Valid cases: 0
Invalid: 0

Description

This variable indicates person's literacy.

Universe

Persons age 5+

Literal question

Ask all persons over the age of five years

10. Literacy

Can person read and write English?

1 Yes

2 No

School attendance (LR1974A_0409)

File: LBR1974-P-H

Overview

School attendance (LR1974A_0409)

File: LBR1974-P-H

Type: Discrete
Format: numeric
Width: 1
Decimals: 0
Range: 0-2

Valid cases: 0
Invalid: 0

Description

This variable indicates person's school attendance.

Universe

Persons age 5+

Literal question

Ask all persons over the age of five years

11. School attendance
Is person presently attending school?

1 Yes
 2 No

Highest degree completed (LR1974A_0410)

File: LBR1974-P-H

Overview

Type: Discrete
Format: numeric
Width: 2
Decimals: 0
Range: 0-99

Valid cases: 0
Invalid: 0

Description

This variable indicates person's highest grade completed.

Universe

Persons age 5+

Literal question

Ask all persons over the age of five years

12. Highest grade completed
What was the highest grade completed? _____
If none enter "00"

Children at home (LR1974A_0411)

File: LBR1974-P-H

Overview

Type: Discrete
Format: numeric
Width: 2
Decimals: 0
Range: 0-99

Valid cases: 0
Invalid: 0

Description

This variable indicates if the female 10+ has children at home.

Universe

Females age 10+

Children at home (LR1974A_0411)

File: LBR1974-P-H

Literal question

Ask all women over age 10 years

13. Number of children born

Ask all women over age 14 years regardless of marital status.

- At home
- Away from home
- Died
- Ever born
- Surviving

Children ever born (LR1974A_0412)

File: LBR1974-P-H

Overview

Type: Discrete
Format: numeric
Width: 2
Decimals: 0
Range: 0-99

Valid cases: 0
Invalid: 0

Description

This variable indicates if the female 10+ has children ever born.

Universe

Females age 10+

Literal question

Ask all women over age 10 years

13. Number of children born

Ask all women over age 14 years regardless of marital status.

- At home
- Away from home
- Died
- Ever born
- Surviving

Children surviving (LR1974A_0413)

File: LBR1974-P-H

Overview

Type: Discrete
Format: numeric
Width: 2
Decimals: 0
Range: 0-99

Valid cases: 0
Invalid: 0

Description

This variable indicates if the female 10+ has children surviving.

Universe

Females age 10+

Literal question

Children surviving (LR1974A_0413)

File: LBR1974-P-H

Ask all women over age 10 years

13. Number of children born

Ask all women over age 14 years regardless of marital status.

- At home
- Away from home
- Died
- Ever born
- Surviving

Births last year (LR1974A_0414)

File: LBR1974-P-H

Overview

Type: Discrete	Valid cases: 0
Format: numeric	Invalid: 0
Width: 1	
Decimals: 0	
Range: 0-9	

Description

This variable indicates if the female 10+ has a birth during the past year.

Universe

Females age 10+

Literal question

Ask all women over age 10 years

14. Children born in past year

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Economic activity (LR1974A_0415)

File: LBR1974-P-H

Overview

Type: Discrete	Valid cases: 0
Format: numeric	Invalid: 0
Width: 1	
Decimals: 0	
Range: 1-5	

Description

This variable indicates the person's economic activity.

Although the form indicates that the question was asked of persons age 10 and over, persons under 10 can be found in the "Student" or "Others" categories.

Universe

All persons

Literal question

Economic activity (LR1974A_0415)

File: LBR1974-P-H

Ask all persons over age 10 years

15. Economic activity

What was person doing most during past 12 months? (If the person reported as anything but working, skip columns on occupation, industry and work status.)

- 1 Working
- 2 Keeping house
- 3 Student
- 4 Retired
- 5 Other

Work status (LR1974A_0416)

File: LBR1974-P-H

Overview

Type: Discrete
Format: numeric
Width: 1
Decimals: 0
Range: 1-9

Valid cases: 0
Invalid: 0

Description

This variable indicates the person's work status.

Universe

Persons age 10+ who worked in the past 12 months

Literal question

Ask all persons over age 10 years

18. Work status:

- Was person paid employee?
- Was person employer?
- Was person self-employed?
- Was person unpaid family worker?

- 1 Employee
- 2 Employer
- 3 Self-employed
- 4 Unpaid family worker

Occupation (2-digit) (LR1974A_0421)

File: LBR1974-P-H

Overview

Type: Discrete
Format: numeric
Width: 2
Decimals: 0
Range: 0-99

Valid cases: 0
Invalid: 0

Description

This variable indicates the person's occupation (2-digit).

Universe

Persons age 10+ who worked in the past 12 months

Occupation (2-digit) (LR1974A_0421)

File: LBR1974-P-H

Literal question

Ask all persons over age 10 years

16. Usual occupation

If person working, what type of work did they do?

Example: Rice farmer, auto mechanic

CODE: ____

Industry (3-digit) (LR1974A_0418)

File: LBR1974-P-H

Overview

Type: Discrete
Format: numeric
Width: 3
Decimals: 0
Range: 0-990

Valid cases: 0
Invalid: 0

Description

This variable indicates the person's industry recode (2-digit).

Universe

Persons age 10+ who worked in the past 12 months

Literal question

Ask all persons over age 10 years

17. Business or industry

What kind of business or industry did person work in?

Example: Iron mine, Rice farm

CODE: ____

Industry (1-digit) (LR1974A_0420)

File: LBR1974-P-H

Overview

Type: Discrete
Format: numeric
Width: 2
Decimals: 0
Range: 0-99

Valid cases: 0
Invalid: 0

Description

This variable indicates the person's industry (2-digit).

Universe

Persons age 10+ who worked in the past 12 months

Literal question

Ask all persons over age 10 years

17. Business or industry

What kind of business or industry did person work in?

Example: Iron mine, Rice farm

CODE: ____

Locality size (localities with population) (LR1974A_0419)

File: LBR1974-P-H

Overview

Type: Discrete	Valid cases: 0
Format: numeric	Invalid: 0
Width: 1	
Decimals: 0	
Range: 1-9	

Description

This variable indicates locality size.

Universe

All persons

Literal question

Locality size (localities with population)

Person weight (PERWT)

File: LBR1974-P-H

Overview

Type: Continuous	Valid cases: 0
Format: numeric	Invalid: 0
Width: 8	
Decimals: 2	

Description

PERWT indicates the number of persons in the actual population represented by the person in the sample.

For the samples that are truly weighted (see the comparability discussion), PERWT must be used to yield accurate statistics for the population.

NOTE: PERWT has 2 implied decimal places. That is, the last two digits of the eight-digit variable are decimal digits, but there is no actual decimal in the data.

Industry, unrecoded (IND)

File: LBR1974-P-H

Overview

Type: Continuous	Valid cases: 0
Format: numeric	Invalid: 0
Width: 5	
Decimals: 0	

Description

"Industry" refers to the activity or product of the establishment or sector in which the person worked. IND is classified according to the system used by the respective national census office at the time, and is not recoded by IPUMS-International.

Years of schooling (YRSCHOOL)

File: LBR1974-P-H

Overview

Years of schooling (YRSCHOOL)

File: LBR1974-P-H

Type: Discrete
Format: numeric
Width: 2
Decimals: 0
Range: 0-99

Valid cases: 0
Invalid: 0

Description

YRSCHOOL indicates the highest grade/level of schooling the person had completed, in years. Only formal schooling is counted. YRSCHOOL accounts for the number of years of study, regardless of the track or kind of study. Information on degree and/or technical track is available in EDATTAIN. Years of schooling for Israel, categorized into intervals, are given in YRSCHOOL2.

Users should pay close attention to the top-codes in each sample, as discussed in the comparability section.

Educational attainment, international recode [general version] (EDATTAIN)

File: LBR1974-P-H

Overview

Type: Discrete
Format: numeric
Width: 1
Decimals: 0
Range: 0-9

Valid cases: 0
Invalid: 0

Description

EDATTAIN records the person's educational attainment in terms of the level of schooling completed (degree or other milestone). The emphasis on level completed is critical: a person attending the final year of secondary education receives the code for having completed lower secondary only -- and in some samples only primary.

EDATTAIN does not necessarily reflect any particular country's definition of the various levels of schooling in terms of terminology or the number of years of schooling. EDATTAIN is an attempt to merge -- into a single, roughly comparable variable -- samples that provide degrees, ones that provide actual years of schooling, and those that have some of both. In addition to EDATTAIN, a country-specific education classification is provided which loses no information and reflects the particular educational system of that country (for example EDUCBR for Brazil, EDUCCL for Chile, and EDUCUS for the United States). As always, users can refer to the original education source variables for each sample, if they wish.

Many samples also give single years of schooling completed, recorded in YRSCHOOL. Some samples provide educational information in a form that could not be incorporated into EDATTAIN.

Educational attainment, international recode [detailed version] (EDATTAIND)

File: LBR1974-P-H

Overview

Type: Discrete
Format: numeric
Width: 3
Decimals: 0
Range: 0-999

Valid cases: 0
Invalid: 0

Description

Educational attainment, international recode [detailed version] (EDATTAIND)

File: LBR1974-P-H

EDATTAIN records the person's educational attainment in terms of the level of schooling completed (degree or other milestone). The emphasis on level completed is critical: a person attending the final year of secondary education receives the code for having completed lower secondary only -- and in some samples only primary.

EDATTAIN does not necessarily reflect any particular country's definition of the various levels of schooling in terms of terminology or the number of years of schooling. EDATTAIN is an attempt to merge -- into a single, roughly comparable variable -- samples that provide degrees, ones that provide actual years of schooling, and those that have some of both. In addition to EDATTAIN, a country-specific education classification is provided which loses no information and reflects the particular educational system of that country (for example EDUCBR for Brazil, EDUCCL for Chile, and EDUCUS for the United States). As always, users can refer to the original education source variables for each sample, if they wish.

Many samples also give single years of schooling completed, recorded in YRSCHOOL. Some samples provide educational information in a form that could not be incorporated into EDATTAIN.

Ethnicity, Liberia (ETHNICLR)

File: LBR1974-P-H

Overview

Type: Discrete	Valid cases: 0
Format: numeric	Invalid: 0
Width: 2	
Decimals: 0	
Range: 1-22	

Description

ETHNICLR reports the tribal affiliation of persons in Liberia.

Country of birth (BPLCOUNTRY)

File: LBR1974-P-H

Overview

Type: Discrete	Valid cases: 0
Format: numeric	Invalid: 0
Width: 5	
Decimals: 0	
Range: 0-99999	

Description

BPLCOUNTRY indicates the person's country of birth.

Number of births last year (BIRTHSLYR)

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Overview

Type: Discrete	Valid cases: 0
Format: numeric	Invalid: 0
Width: 1	
Decimals: 0	
Range: 0-9	

Description

BIRTHSLYR indicates whether any -- and in most cases how many -- children were born to a woman in the past twelve months.

Number of own children in household (HOMECHILD)

File: LBR1974-P-H

Overview

Type: Discrete	Valid cases: 0
Format: numeric	Invalid: 0
Width: 2	
Decimals: 0	
Range: 0-99	

Description

HOMECHILD indicates the number of surviving biological children living in the household with their mother (the respondent) at the time of the census.

Nativity status (NATIVITY)

File: LBR1974-P-H

Overview

Type: Discrete	Valid cases: 0
Format: numeric	Invalid: 0
Width: 1	
Decimals: 0	
Range: 0-9	

Description

NATIVITY indicates whether the person was native- or foreign-born.

Age, grouped into intervals (AGE2)

File: LBR1974-P-H

Overview

Type: Discrete	Valid cases: 0
Format: numeric	Invalid: 0
Width: 2	
Decimals: 0	
Range: 1-98	

Description

AGE2 gives computed years of age grouped into intervals.

Year [person version] (YEARP)

File: LBR1974-P-H

Overview

Type: Continuous	Valid cases: 0
Format: numeric	Invalid: 0
Width: 4	
Decimals: 0	

Description

[This file is just a placeholder. See the household version of the variable.]

IPUMS sample identifier [person version] (SAMPLEP)

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Overview

Type: Continuous	Valid cases: 0
Format: numeric	Invalid: 0
Width: 9	
Decimals: 0	

Description

[This file is just a placeholder. See the household version of the variable.]

Household serial number [person version] (SERIAL)

File: LBR1974-P-H

Overview

Type: Continuous	Valid cases: 0
Format: numeric	Invalid: 0
Width: 10	
Decimals: 0	

Description

[This file is just a placeholder. See the household version of the variable.]

Country [person version] (COUNTRYP)

File: LBR1974-P-H

Overview

Type: Continuous	Valid cases: 0
Format: numeric	Invalid: 0
Width: 3	
Decimals: 0	

Description

[This file is just a placeholder. See the household version of the variable.]

Record type [person version] (RECTYPEP)

File: LBR1974-P-H

Overview

Type: Discrete	Valid cases: 0
Format: character	Invalid: 0
Width: 1	

Description

[This file is just a placeholder. See the household version of the variable.]

Related Materials

Questionnaires

1974 Census of Population, Questionnaire

Title 1974 Census of Population, Questionnaire
Author(s) Ministry of Planning and Economic Development
Country Liberia
Language English
Filename enum_form_lr1974a.pdf

Technical documents

1974 Census of Population, Enumerators Manual

Title 1974 Census of Population, Enumerators Manual
Author(s) Ministry of Planning and Economic Development
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Language English
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