

MEDICATION FOLLOW-UP - NOTES AND COMPUTED VARIABLES

The Medication Follow-Up data can be found in six files. Those files and the data contained therein include:

- B2F09MHB - Antihypertensive Medications
- B2F09MHT - Heart Medications
- B2F09MHM - Hormones other than Birth Control Pills
- B2F09MAS - Medications for Asthma or Other Breathing Problems
- B2F09MOT - Other Prescription Medications
- B2F09MBC - Birth Control Pills

The total number of months a participant has used a medication since he/she first began use has been computed for each medication. Please refer to the PROC CONTENTS output for the specific variable name.

NOTE: Multiple records per participant are allowable for all medications except for birth control pills.

B2F09MBC Computed Variables:

B09ST_DT (derived from B09ST_MO, B09ST_DY, & B09ST_YR)

- Date last stopped taking birth control pills
- Formatted as DATE7.
- Components with values of 0 (zero) were set to missing before conversion to SAS date value.
- A date with any component having the special missing value **.M** had the SAS date value set to **.M** also.

B09BCCUS (derived from B09BCBYR & B09BCBMO)

- Total number of months participant has used birth control pills since last began use; in months.

B09BCTUS (derived from B09BCTY1 & B09BCTM1, ex-users, or B09BCTY2 & B09BCTM2, current users).

- Total number of months participant has used birth control pills since first began use; in months