

D1F06AC - NOTES AND COMPUTED VARIABLES

(Dietary Practices, Behaviors, and Attitudes - Dietary History)

Extreme Values for Number of Meals Variables

While every attempt was made to have the values for variables that represent the number of meals eaten (Questions 1, 2, 5, and 6) correspond to each other (i.e., the number of meals eaten at home plus the number of meals eaten out equals the total number of meals reported), the complex nature of the questions made it difficult in some cases. Values have been verified for all these variables.

Food Choice Factor Rankings

Question 102 asks participants to rank a set of factors for how much each influences food choice. In the data set, these variables (D06COST, D06TASTE, D06NUTQ, D06RELIG, D06CONV, and D06OTHF) can have a value of 1-6 or 9. Values of 1-6 indicate the ranking of that factor by the participant (i.e., a value of 1 means that factor is the most important). Because participants were not required to rank all six factors if all six did not influence food choice, values of 9 indicate that the participant does not consider that factor when choosing food.

Computed Variable

D06TIME: length of the diet history interview in minutes

D06DATE: date the diet history was administered

Note: The date the diet history was administered may be different from the exam date for some participants.