

National Survey of Drug Use and Health Formerly, National Household Survey of Drug Abuse

Incarceration

Variable Notes

- 1 The "IR" in front of the variable name signifies that the variable was either imputed or revised. Although it is not possible to be missing for gender, it remains as an IR for consistency with prior collection periods.
- 2 If respondent answered Yes (1) to this question, they were asked to provide 6 drugs that got them in trouble with the law. The variables that provide the drug are: LAWDRG1A, LAWDRG2A, LAWDRG3A, LAWDRG4A, LAWDRG5A, LAWDRG6A.
- **3** Logical editing was used when processing the raw data. It involved using data from within a respondent's record to reduce item nonresponse, increase item consistency, and to identify inconsistencies to be resolved by statistical imputation.
- **4** COKEFILL is used when a respondent answered yes to either using cocaine or crack.
- **5** BKSEXNR was created from answers to the following questions: In the past 12 months, were you arrested and booked for prostitution or commercialized sex?; and, In the past 12 months, were you arrested and booked for any other sexual offense, not including rape or prostitution? This question therefore combines previous year questions of BKPROS and BKSEXOFF into one variable.
- A code of 3 indicates that respondents did not originally answer "yes" to any of the questions about specific offenses for which they were arrested/booked in the past 12 months, including the question about "some other offense." However, these respondents subsequently specified a valid response for an offense in the past 12 months. A code 5 in BKOTH indicates that respondents reported being arrested/booked at least once in the past 12 months but did not indicate at least one offense for which they were arrested in that period.
- 7 The variable BKSRVIOL was created from answers to the following questions: In the past 12 months, were you arrested for aggravated assault?; In the past 12 months, were you arrested and booked for forcible rape?; and, In the past 12 months, were you arrested and booked for murder, homicide, or nonnegligent manslaughter? This question therefore combines previous year questions of BKAGASLT, BKRAPE, and BKMURDER into one variable.
- 8 Respondents were not asked questions in the SUBSTANCE TREATMENT module if they did not report lifetime use of alcohol, marijuana, cocaine, heroin, hallucinogens, or inhalants, or lifetime use of prescription-type psychotherapeutics (pain relievers, tranquilizers, stimulants, or sedatives) for nonmedical reasons. Codes of 81 or 91 in the edited SUBSTANCE TREATMENT variables indicate that the questions did not apply because respondents were nonusers of all of these substances.
- 9 Other responses were possible for this question; however, only the response category related to this topic was included.

For most of the remaining questions in the SUBSTANCE TREATMENT module, the wording differed depending on whether respondents previously reported that they were still in treatment or that they were no longer in treatment. Where two question wordings appear for a given variable, the first wording was what respondents received if they reported that they were no longer in treatment. The second wording was what respondents received if they reported that they were still in treatment.

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