

National Longitudinal Survey of Youth 1997

Family Structure

Event History (Continuous Month Scheme): Marriage and Cohabitation Variables ¹

	Response	Respondent	Documentation ²	Variable Identification			
Question				Variable Name ³	Question Name⁴	Variable Notes	UF
Respondent's marital status in every month of every year; calculated for each month beginning with the month R turned 14.	0 Never married, not cohabiting1 Never married, cohabiting2 Married3 Legally separated4 Divorced5 Widowed-4 Valid skip	All respondents >=14: beginning the month they turn 14 and ending the month of their last interview	Marital & Marriage-Like Relationships	E7011401- E7012905	MAR_STATUS_1994.01- MAR_STATUS_2009.05	5, 6	160 0 0 0 0 0 0 8,824
Respondent's cohabitation status in every month of every year; calculated for each month beginning with the month R turned 14. NOTE: SEE MAR_PARTNER_LINK TO MATCH THIS SPOUSE/PARTNER TO THE MAIN SURVEY DATA.	101 Cohabiting with partner 1 102 Cohabiting with partner 2 103 Cohabiting with partner 3	All respondents >=14 currently living with a partner/spouse	Marital & Marriage-Like Relationships	E7021405- E7022905	MAR_COHABITATION_ 1994.05- MAR_COHABITATION_ 2009.05	5, 7, 8	1 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
Link between partner in MAR_STATUS and partner listed in survey in a given year; calculated for each month beginning with the month R turned 14.	101 to 105: Unique partner ID 201 to 205: Unique partner ID 301 to 305: Unique partner ID	All respondents >=14 currently living with a partner/spouse	Marital & Marriage-Like Relationships	E7031405- E7032905	MAR_PARTNER_LINK_ 1994.05- MAR_PARTNER_LINK_ 2009.05	5, 9	1 0 0 0 8,983
Second partner lived with in a particular month in 1997; calculated for each month beginning with the month R turned 14.	0 Not cohabiting 101 Cohabiting with partner 1 102 Cohabiting with partner 2 103 Cohabiting with partner 3 104 Cohabiting with partner 4 105 Cohabiting with partner 5 201 Cohabiting with spouse 1 202 Cohabiting with spouse 2 203 Cohabiting with spouse 3 204 Cohabiting with spouse 4 205 Cohabiting with spouse 5 -4 Valid skip	All respondents >=14 who lived with more than one partner/spouse in a given month	Marital & Marriage-Like Relationships	E7041701- E7041704	MAR_DUAL_1997.01- MAR_DUAL_1997.04	5	0 0 1 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0

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Flag for a second partner R report living with in a month from the date of the previous interview to the current interview.	O R did not live with more than one partner during any month since DLI 1 R lived with more than one partner in a month since DLI -4 Valid skip	All respondents >=14 who lived with more than one partner/spouse in any one month in a given year	Marital & Marriage-Like Relationships	E7041900- E7042800	MAR_DUAL_DLI_1999- MAR_DUAL_DLI_2008	5, 10	457 4 8,523
Flag indicating when the dates of the first cohabitation are different between the created variables and the monthly event history variables. This difference is usually caused by a respondent reporting a date of first cohabitation that occurred prior to the date of last interview.	1 Imputed start date -4 Valid skip	All respondents with discrepancies between created variables and monthly event history variables	Marital & Marriage-Like Relationships	E7062000	MAR_IMPUTE_FIRST_ COHAB	5	461 8,523
Flag indicating when the dates of first marriage are different between the created variables and the monthly event history variables. This difference is usually caused by a respondent reporting a date of first marriage that occurred prior to the date of last interview.	1 Imputed start date -4 Valid skip	All respondents with discrepancies between created variables and monthly event history variables	Marital & Marriage-Like Relationships	E7072000	MAR_IMPUTE_FIRST_ MARRY	5	99 8,885

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