

Appendix E

FHS Dataset Variable Descriptions, Format And Codes

For-Hire Survey Dialing Results Database Variable Descriptions

Name	Description	Type	Length	Codes/Format
INT_ID	Interviewer ID Code	Char	4	CATI Interviewer ID - Range: '0001'-'9999' LOG – Fax Complete WEB – Web Complete INA – Previous Contact Indicated Inactive INE – Previous Contact Indicated Not Eligible REF – Previous Contact Indicated Non Cooperative
VSL_ID	Vessel ID Number for the Survey	Char	7	
SMP_WEEK	Sampling Week	Char	2	Range: '01' - '52'/'53'
YEAR	Sampling Year	Char	4	YYYY
MONTH	Sampling Month	Char	3	'jan'=January 'feb'=February 'mar'= March 'apr'=April 'may'=May 'jun'=June 'jul'=July 'aug'=August 'sep'-September 'oct'-October 'nov'=November 'dec'=December
WAVE	MRFSS Sampling Wave	Char	1	'1' = Jan/Feb '2' = Mar/Apr '3' = May/Jun '4' = Jul/Aug '5' = Sep/Oct '6' = Nov/Dec
SUB_REG	Sub-region Code	Char	1	'4' = North Atlantic (ME, NH, MA, CT, RI) '5' = Mid Atlantic (NY, NJ, DE, MD, VA) '6' = South Atlantic (NC, SC, GA)
ST	State Code	Char	2	FIPS Code
NUM_REPS	Number of Vessel Representatives Contacted	Num	2	Range: 00 - 99
REP_NUM	Interviewed Vessel Representative Number for the Week (in order of interviews)	Num	8	Range: 00000001 – 00000008

REP_ID	ID of Vessel Representative interviewed	Char	1	'1' = Representative '2' = First Captain '3' = Second Captain '4' = Third Captain '5' = Owner '6' = New Representative
INT_DATE	Date of Vessel Representative Interview	Char	8	YYYYMMDD
INT_TIME	Time of Vessel Representative Interview (in military time)	Char	4	Range: '0900'-'2100'
STATUS	Status code of Vessel Representative Interview	Char	1	'1' = Complete interview '2' = Incomplete, but all key questions answered '3' = Refusal '4' = Language barrier '5' = Mid-Interview refusal '6' = Inactive '7' = Unable to contact '8' = Ineligible
BT_TRIPS	Number of Dock-to-Dock Vessel Trips	Num	2	Range: 00 - 30
RF_TRIPS	Number of Vessel Trips for Marine Recreational Fishing (finfish)	Num	2	Range: 00 – 30
OT_TRIPS	Number of Other, Non-Fishing Trips (i.e. Sightseeing or Whale Watching)	Num	2	Range: 00 - 30
LP_TRIPS	Number of Large Pelagics Trips for large pelagic fishing	Num	2	Range: 00 – 30
NOTIFIED	Did Representative Receive Notification of Selection for Survey?	Char	1	'0' = Unknown '1' = Yes '2' = No
FORM_USE	Did Representative Use Logsheet to Record Trip Information?	Char	1	'0'=Unknown '1'=Yes '2'=No
TRIP_NUM	Number of Trip Reported by Vessel Representative	Num	2	Range: 01 - 30

TRIP_DAY	Day of Week on which Trip Occurred	Char	1	'1' = Monday '2' = Tuesday '3' = Wednesday '4' = Thursday '5' = Friday '6' = Saturday '7' = Sunday
TRIPDATE	Date of the Trip	Char	8	YYYYMMDD
MODE_F	Mode of Trip			'6' = Head Boat Fishing Trip '7' = Charter Boat Fishing Trip '8' = Private Boat Fishing Trip '9' = Other Trip (non-fishing)
PEOPLE	Number of People who fished on Trip	Num	2	Range: 01-30
TRIP_ST	State of Access Site for Trip	Char	2	State Code (FIPS Code)
TRIPCNTY	County (or Parish) of Trip	Char	3	FIPS County Codes
INTSITE	Site where Trip Originated	Char	4	MRFSS 4-digit site codes, such as '7777' = private access site '8888' = unknown public access site '9999' = refused site information
METHOD1	Primary Fishing Method	Char	1	'1' = Trolling '2' = Bottom fishing '3' = Casting '4' = Fly fishing '5' = Other '6' = Drifting '8' = Don't Know '9' = Refused
METHOD2	Secondary Fishing Method	Char	1	'1' = Trolling '2' = Bottom fishing '3' = Casting '4' = Fly fishing '5' = Other '6' = Drifting '8' = No Second Method Used '9' = Refused
AREA	Primary Fishing Area	Char	1	'1' = Ocean, gulf or open bay '2' = Sound '3' = River '4' = Enclosed bay '5' = Other 'A' = Narragansett Bay 'B' = Buzzards Bay 'C' = Long Island Estuary 'D' = Hudson/Raritan Estuary 'E' = Delaware Estuary 'F' = Chesapeake Estuary 'G' = Pamlico/Albemarle Estuary 'P' = Potomac River
DIST	Distance from Shore	Char	1	'1' = Less than 3 miles '2' = Greater than 3 miles '8' = Not Applicable (AREA is not '1')

AREA_X	Collapsed Primary Fishing Area	Char	1	'1' = Ocean equal or less than 3 miles '2' = Ocean greater than 3 miles '5' = Inland
TIME	Time of Return from Trip (military time)	Char	4	Range: '0030' – '2400'
TIME_DEP	Time of Trip Departure (military time)	Char	4	Range: '0030' – '2400'
HRSF	Hours Fished on Trip	Num	4	Range: 0.5 - 24.0
MULTIDAY	Multi-day Trip Flag	Char	1	'1' = Yes '2' = No
VERIFIED	Was Interview Validated? (validation flag)	Char	1	'1' = Yes '2' = No
ERRORS	Did Validation Reveal any Errors?	Char	1	'1' = Yes '2' = No '8' = Not Applicable (VERIFIED='2')
VAL_ID	Validation Interviewer's Initials	Char	2	Range: 'AA' to 'ZZ'
VAL_DATE	Date of Follow-Up Validation Interview	Char	8	YYYYMMDD
ATTEMPTS	Number of attempts made to contact vessel representative	Num	2	Range: '0' – '10'
RESULT	Result of the last phone attempt	Char	2	'01' = Line Busy '02' = No Answer '03' = Answering Machine or Service '04' = Wrong number - new number available '05' = Not available '06' = Not in service/wrong number '07' = Refusal '08' = Communication problem '09' = Ineligible '10' = Successful Contact '11' = Fax/Computer
T_OF_DAY	Trip of Day	Char	1	'1' = First (or only) '2' = Second '3' = Third '4' = Fourth
FOR_HIRE	For-hire vessel Type	Char	1	'C' = Charter Boat 'H' = Head Boat
TARGET1	Primary Target Species	Num	8	MRFSS Species Code
TARGET2	Secondary Target Species	Num	8	MRFSS Species Code

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