APPENDIX 4

FILE CONTENT

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BASIC CURF (on CD_ROM and accessible through RADL)

The BASIC CURF distributed CD-ROM, which contains the following files:

Data
NHS01.DAT
This file contains the raw confidentialised survey data in hierarchical
column delimited ASCII text format.

SAS files
CURFSAS.SAS
This file contains the SAS program which was used to reformat the metadata in
NHS01.FMT into the SAS input program in NHS01.SAS.

CURFSPSS.SAS
This file contains the SAS program which was used to reformat the metadata in
NHS01.FMT into the SPSS input program in NHS01.SPS.

NHS01.SAS
This file contains the SAS input program generated using CURFSAS.SAS which was
used to read the data in NHS01.DAT into the SAS dataset NHS01.SD2.

NHS01.SD2
This file contains the data for the CURF in SAS for Windows format.

CurfMetadataSAS.ini
This file contains metadata about this CURF for SAS programs for the RADL.

SPSS files
NHS01.SPS
This file contains the SPSS input program generated using CURFSPSS.SAS which was used to read
the data in NHS01.DAT into the SPSS dataset NHS01.SAV.

NHS01.SAV
This file contains the CURF data in SPSS for Windows format.

CurfMetadataSPSS.ini
This file contains metadata about this CURF for SPSS programs for the RADL.

Information files
README.TXT
This file contains a brief description of each of the files comprising a survey CURF package available
for purchase by clients of the ABS.

COPYRITE1.BAT - the ABS copyright warning notice, to the effect that the copyright to the
confidentialised survey data is held by the ABS.
NHS01.TXT
This file contains documentation of the NHS01.DAT raw data including data item
labels, field start positions and lengths, code values and category labels. To
assist clients with data analysis it also contains weighted and unweighted
frequencies of each code value. The file is in plain text format to facilitate
reading or printing using most word processors.

NHS01.FMT
This file contains the same data as NHS01.TXT but in a computer-readable format
the structure of which is described in the file FMTSTRUC.TXT. The metadata in
this file can be combined with the data in NHS01.DAT by means of a computer
program run in the client's statistical analysis environment, to produce the
datasets needed for analysis of the survey data. This has been done for SAS and
SPSS for Windows but clients with other statistical software will have to write

their own programs using the SAS and SPSS programs as a guide.

FMTSTRUC.TXT
This file describes the structure of NHS01.FMT.

CURF on RADL

Files accessible by programs submitted by RADL users are:

The Data File - NHS01.DAT
The SAS dataset - NHS01.SD2
The SPSS dataset - NHS01.SAV

Other information available on-line:

NHS01.TXT
NHS01.SAS } as sample programs reading the text file
NHS01.SPS }

For users of the CURF on CD ROM or on RADL other information available from the ABS web site includes the questionnaires used in the survey, the Summary of Results publication and other tabular output from the survey, and the Users' Guide to the 2001 NHS.