

Key to Selected Variables

The following key defines selected variables (e.g., demographics) used throughout the 2008 Detailed Tables. This may be helpful when used in conjunction with the index of tables in identifying tables that contain information for these selected characteristics. However, not all variables listed below are specifically mentioned in the index of tables.

Demographic Characteristics

Standard Age Categories: 12 or Older, 12-17, 18-25, 26 or Older, 18 or Older

7 Detailed Age Categories: 12-13, 14-15, 16-17, 18-20, 21-25, 26-34, 35 or Older

23 Detailed Age Categories: 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26-29, 30-34, 35-39, 40-44, 45-49, 50-54, 55-59, 60-64, 65 or Older

Underage/Legal Drinking Age Categories: 12-20, 21 or Older

Gender: Male, Female

Hispanic Origin and Race: Not Hispanic or Latino White, Not Hispanic or Latino Black or African American, Not Hispanic or Latino American Indian or Alaska Native, Not Hispanic or Latino Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander, Not Hispanic or Latino Asian, Not Hispanic or Latino Two or More Races, or Hispanic or Latino

Gender/Race/Hispanic Origin: Male White Not Hispanic, Female White Not Hispanic, Male Black Not Hispanic, Female Black Not Hispanic, Male Hispanic, Female Hispanic

Education: Less Than High School, High School Graduate, Some College, College Graduate
(Note: This variable is defined for persons aged 18 or older)

Current Employment: Full-Time, Part-Time, Unemployed, Other
(Note: This variable is defined for persons aged 18 or older)

Geographic Characteristics

Region: Northeast, Midwest, South, West

Division: New England, Middle Atlantic, East North Central, West North Central, South Atlantic, East South Central, West South Central, Mountain, Pacific

County Type: Large Metro counties; Small Metro counties, including counties with population of 250,000 up to 1 million, and counties with population of less than 250,000;

Nonmetro, including urbanized counties, less urbanized counties, or completely rural counties

Socioeconomic Characteristics

Family Income: Less Than \$20,000; \$20,000-\$49,999; \$50,000-\$74,999; \$75,000 or More

Poverty Level (% of Census Bureau Poverty Threshold): Less than 100%; 100%-199%; 200% or More

Government Assistance (Yes/No): Defined as one or more household family members having received Supplemental Security Income (SSI), cash assistance (Temporary Assistance for Needy Families, TANF), noncash assistance, or food stamps

Health Insurance: Private, Medicaid/CHIP, Other, No Coverage