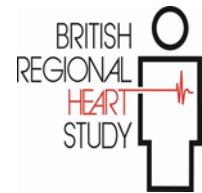


BRHS Derived variables

1983-85 (Q5) Questionnaire



Included:

1. The town from which the participant was recruited at baseline in 1978-80 (Q1)
2. Social class based on longest-held occupation in 1978-80 (Q1)
3. Derived - Age at the time of completion of the 1983-85 (Q5) Questionnaire

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Variable Description	Units/Category labels	BRHS variable name	Method (section)	Data access
BRHS ID number		serial		
Recruitment Town at baseline 1978-80 (Q1)	1-24	q1town	1	yes
Social class at baseline 1978-80 (Q1) (Based on longest held occupation)	1 = I 2 = II 3 = III Non-Manual 4 = III Manual 5 = IV 6 = V 8 = HMF Armed forces 9 = Missing	q1sc	2	yes
Age (derived)	years	q5age	3	yes

METHODS

1. BRHS town names and town numbers

These are the 24 towns in England, Scotland and Wales where BRHS participants were recruited from at baseline in 1978-80 (Q1).

BRHS Town number	BRHS Town name
1	Harrogate
2	Shrewsbury
3	Lowestoft
4	Mansfield
5	Southport
6	Merthyr
7	Guildford
8	Burnley
9	Newcastle-Under-Lyme
10	Exeter
11	Dewsbury
12	Falkirk
13	Ipswich
14	Gloucester
15	Ayr
16	Dunfermline
17	Darlington
18	Carlisle
19	Maidstone
20	Grimsby
21	Bedford
22	Wigan
23	Scunthorpe
24	Hartlepool

2. Social class

Information collected from the Baseline (1978-80) questionnaire (question 4.4) on the longest-held occupation was coded to one of the Registrar General's six social classes, using the 1970 OPCS manual for occupational classification.

1 = I
2 = II
3 = III Non-Manual
4 = III Manual
5 = IV
6 = V
8 = HMF Armed forces
9 = Missing

3.0 Age

The 1983-85 (Q5) questionnaire does not include within the questionnaire a date of completion – i.e. date when the participants completed the questionnaire. The questionnaires were sent to participants between 1983 and 1985 to coincide with 5 years after their baseline physical examination in 1978-80. In the absence of any exact information the age was calculated by adding 5 years to the participant's age baseline 1978-80 (Q1).