BRHS Derived variables

2003 (Q03) 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 2003 (Q03) Questionnaire time point
- 4. Derived Smoking status

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Variable description	Units/Category labels	BRHS variable name	Data access
BRHS ID number		serial	yes
Town of residence/recruitment at Baseline in 1978-80 (Q1)	1-24	q1town	yes
Social class at baseline 1978-80 (Q1)	1=1	q1sc	
(Based on longest held occupation)	2 = II		
. ,	3 = III Non-Manual		
	4 = III Manual		
	5 = IV		
	6 = V		
	8 = HMF Armed forces		
	9 = Missing		
Age	years	q03age	yes
Smoking status (1)	10=never smoker	q03smokg1	yes
	21=gave up before 1983(Q5) - i.e. more than 20 years ago		
	22=gave up between 1983(Q5) and 1996(Q96) - i.e. 7-20 years ago		
	23=gave up since 1996(Q96) - i.e. in the last 7 years		
	29= Ex smoker at 2003(Q03)- unknown when gave up		
	(not possible to classify into one of latter 2 periods)		
	30=current smoker		
	99=missing		
Smoking status (2)	10=never smoker	q03smokg2	yes
	21=gave up before 1983(Q5) - i.e. more than 20 years		
	22=gave up between 1983(Q5) and 1992(Q96) i.e. 11 to 20 years ago		
	23=gave up since 1992(Q92) i.e. in the last 11 years		
	29= Ex smoker at 2003(Q03) - unknow when gave up		
	- not possible to classify into one of latter 2 periods		
	30=current smoker		
	99=missing		

METHODS

1. BRHS town names and numbers

These are the 24 towns in England, Scotland and Wales where BRHS were recruited from at baseline 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

Age of participant on 15 January 2003 (when the questionnaires were posted to the participants)

No date of completion was included/asked on the questionnaire. Therefore, it was estimated as 15/1/2003.

4.0 Smoking status

The participant responses to smoking related questions 20.0 in the 2003 (Q03) questionnaire as well as the participant's previous smoking history (i.e. responses to smoking related questions from previous waves of questionnaires) were used to assign the smoking status category of BRHS participants at the 2003(Q03) study time point as shown in the table below. There are two available variables with different classifications for the length of time of being an ex-smoker.

Derived variables	Value labels/categories	BRHS
Smoking		Variable name
Smoking status	10=never smoker	q03smokg1
(6 categories)	21=gave up before 1983(Q5) - i.e. more than 20 years ago	
	22=gave up between 1983(Q5) and 1996(Q96) - i.e. 7-20 years ago	
	23=gave up since 1996(Q96) - i.e. in the last 7 years	
	29= Ex smoker at 2003(Q03)- unknown when gave up	
	(not possible to classify into one of latter 2 periods)	
	30=current smoker	
	99=missing	
Smoking status	10=never smoker	q03smokg2
(6 categories)	21=gave up before 1983(Q5) - i.e. more than 20 years	
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