

CORRECTION TO “METRO” VARIABLE IN NSFG CYCLE 6

We have discovered an error in the labels of one variable in the NSFG Cycle 6 public use files. The error is in codes 1 and 2 of the recoded variable “METRO.”

Code 1 is labeled “MSA, Central City” but should be labeled “MSA – Other”.

Code 2 is labeled “MSA, Other” but should be labeled “MSA, Central City”.

To correct this problem, users simply need to reverse the labels on codes “1” and “2” on the female and male data files.

The correct labeling for the METRO recode, with numbers and percents are as follows:

FEMALES:

METRO	Frequency	Percent
ff		
1: MSA,Other	3610	47.23
2: MSA,Central City	2891	37.83
3: Not MSA	1142	14.94

MALES:

METRO	Frequency	Percent
fff		
1: MSA,Other	2290	46.47
2: MSA,Central City	1893	38.41
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The documentation currently, and incorrectly, shows the following:

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Please correct your documentation.