

Variable Name	Variable Description	Variable Type	Range of Values	Value Description	Notes
PATIENT_ID	Linking ID	Char	.	This field is used to uniquely identify a person. This is a dummy number and is not the number used by the registry to identify the patient.	
TRANS_IND	Index for the transaction of HUD housing assistance.	Num		This field is used to uniquely identify a transaction at the person-episode level. The values are in sequential order corresponding to transactions within the episode. This index can be used with the PATIENT_ID to link with the TRANS_IND in the Temporal Alignment File.	
EPISODE_IND	Index for which episode the transaction belongs to.	Num		This field is used to uniquely identify an episode of housing assistance at the patient-level. The values are in sequential order corresponding to episodes of assistance over time within an individual. This index can be used with the PATIENT_ID to link with the EPISODE_IND in the Temporal Alignment File and the Episode file.	
TRANS_mon	Month of transaction.	Num			
TRANS_yr	Year of transaction.	Num			
TRANS_TYPE	Current activity being reported in this transaction.	Char		58 & MTW – 1 = new admission 2 = annual reexamination 3 = interim reexamination 4 = portability move in (vouchers only) 5 = portability move out (vouchers only) 6 = end of participation 7 = other change of unit 8 = FSS/WtW addendum only 9 = Annual reexamination searching (vouchers only) 10 = issuance of voucher 11 = expiration of voucher 12 = flat rent annual update (public housing only) 13 = annual HQS inspection only (Section 8 only) 14 = historical adjustment 15 = void	

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TRANS_TYPE (Cont.)	Current activity being reported in this transaction.	Char		TRACS – IC = initial certification AR = annual certification IR = interim certification MI = move in certification MO = move out TM = termination CR = RAP to Section 8 CS = rent supplement to Section 8 CF = conversion from.	
TRANS_PROGRAM	Program type for the transaction.	Char		HCV = Housing Choice Voucher MTW HCV = Moving to Work Housing Choice Voucher PH = Public Housing MTW PH = Moving to Work Public Housing PBS8 = Section 8 Vouchers OTHER MF = Other Multifamily	
TRANSACTION_TIMING	Is this transaction pre- or post-diagnosis?	Num	1–3	1 = pre-diagnosis 2 = in the same month as dx 3 = post diagnosis	
HSHD_MBR_TOTAL_CNT	Total number of people in the household	Num			
HMLS_INDR	Household classified as homeless at time of admission	Num	0-1	0 = No 1 = Yes	Marked as missing prior to 2016
NUM_BEDRM_CNT	Total number of bedrooms in the unit occupied	Num			
TOTAL_ANNL_INCM_AMNT	Family's total annual income from all sources, including assets	Num		Income in dollars, rounded to the nearest hundred	
WAIT_LIST_ENTRY_MON	Month the family was placed on the waiting list for the program under which they currently receive housing assistance	Num			Marked as missing prior to 2016
WAIT_LIST_ENTRY_YR	Year the family was placed on the waiting list for the program under which they currently receive housing assistance	Num			Marked as missing prior to 2016
HEAD_RACE_CD	Head of Household's Race	Num	1-6	1 = White 2 = Black 3 = Native American 4 = Asian 5 = Hawaiian or Pacific islander 6 = more than one race	
HEAD_ETHNCY_CD	Head of Household's Ethnicity	Num	1-2	1= Hispanic 2 = non-Hispanic	

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H6_CD	Household Structure	Num	1-6	1 = Elderly, no children 2 = Disabled (not elderly) no children 3 = Not elderly or disabled, no children 4 = Elderly with children 5 = Disabled (not elderly) with children 6 = Not elderly or disabled with children	'Elderly' denotes ages 62 or older.
VERY_LOW_INC_LMT_INDR	Determines if the Total Annual Income of the family is less than 50% of median income (household is very low income)	Num	0-1	0 = No 1 = Yes	
EXT_LOW_INC_LMT_INDR	Determines if the Total Annual Income of the family is less than 30% of median income (household is extremely low income)	Num	0-1	0 = No 1 = Yes	
DSBLTY_INDR	Indicates Disabled Household where H, S, or K disabled and not elderly (<62)	Num	0-1	0 - No 1 - Yes	