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In the 2014 Current Population Survey Annual Social and Economic Supplement (CPS ASEC), the Census Bureau implemented redesigned health insurance questions. One of the changes affects the way that estimates of employment-based and direct-purchase health insurance coverage are calculated.

Some people with employment-based or direct-purchase health insurance obtain their coverage through a policyholder who lives outside of their household. In the *Health Insurance Coverage in the United States: 2014* report, estimates of health insurance coverage obtained through someone living outside the household are therefore categorized into whether the coverage was employment-based, direct-purchase, or other.

In order for data users to reproduce the estimates that appear in the report, they will need an additional variable, which is not included on the 2014 and 2015 public use data files. Available in public use extract files, this variable can be merged onto the public use CPS ASEC 2014 and 2015 public use datasets.

For more information on how to calculate employment-based health insurance, direct-purchase health insurance, and other types of health insurance, please see “CPS Estimates of the Number of Uninsured and Insured at

www.census.gov/hhes/www/hlthins/methodology/programming/cps/estimates.html.