

COL14_2016 – MIGOTHER File

Description

MIGOTHER is a cross-sectional file for another person within the household that reported having international migration experience. This information will only be collected in households where the head of household was not an international migrant.

MIGOTHER Variables

COL14_2016 – MIGOTHER file contains 499 observations and 111 variables; this file is a person-level file containing economic and social measures during the last international trip.

Once the PERS file is constructed, in households where the head of household was not a migrant, we select another person within the household who reported at least one international trip. From PERS, we bring to MIGOTHER the person's background information from table A and U.S. migration information from table D, and then merge them to the following variables:

- Social, employment, and financial characteristics during the last U.S. trip (tables L and M).
- Benefits and assistance received during the last U.S. trip (table N).
- Health variables collected from table Q.

Do not forget to download the Ethnosurvey from our page in order to obtain specific tables and questions.

MIGOTHER Data File: Variable list and specification

Variable	Format	Label
<i>Identifier information</i>		
COUNTRY	4.0	Country of focus
COMMUN	4.0	Community number
SURVEYPL	4.0	Place of survey
SURVEYYR	4.0	Year of survey
HHNUM	4.0	Household number (within community)
PERSNUM	4.0	Person number (within household)
<i>Sample-specific weight</i>		
WEIGHT	6.2	Weight
<i>Background information</i>		
SEX	4.0	Sex
YRBORN	4.0	Year of birth
AGE	4.0	Age
STATEBRN	4.0	State of birth
PLACEBRN	4.0	Place of birth
MARSTAT	4.0	Marital status
EDYRS	4.0	School years completed
OCC	4.0	Principal occupation
<i>Health Information</i>		
HEIGHT	6.2	Health: Height (meters)
KGS	6.2	Health: Weights (kilos)
SMOKES	4.0	Health: Currently smokes?
SMOKED	4.0	Health: Smoked before?
SMOKEAGE	4.0	Health: Age at first smoke
HEALTH	4.0	Health: Quality of health at age 14
HEALTHLY	4.0	Health: Quality of health the year before the survey
HEALTHNW	4.0	Health: Current quality of health
HYPERTEN	4.0	Health: Hypertension or high blood pressure
SUGAR	4.0	Health: Diabetes or high sugar levels
HEART	4.0	Health: Has suffered heart attack or heart problems
BRAIN	4.0	Health: Brain damage
LUNG	4.0	Health: Chronic lung conditions
NERVES	4.0	Health: Emotional or psychiatric problems

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Variable	Format	Label
CANCER	4.0	Health: Has suffered cancer
<i>International Migration Experience</i>		
ABYR1	4.0	First INTL mig: Year
ABDUR1	4.0	First INTL mig: Duration (in months)
ABDOC1	4.0	First INTL mig: Documentation used
ABSTATE1	4.0	First INTL mig: State of residence
ABPLACE1	4.0	First INTL mig: City of residence
ABMAR1	4.0	First INTL mig: Married
ABOCC1	4.0	First INTL mig: Occupation
ABWAGE1	14.2	First INTL mig: Wage
ABBY1	4.0	First INTL mig: Frequency of wages
ABCURR1	4.0	First INTL mig: Currency of wages
ABYRL	4.0	Last INTL mig: Year
ABDURL	4.0	Last INTL mig: Duration (in months)
ABDOCL	4.0	Last INTL mig: Documentation used
ABSTATEL	4.0	Last INTL mig: State of residence
ABPLACEL	4.0	Last INTL mig: City of residence
ABMARL	4.0	Last INTL mig: Married
ABOCCL	4.0	Last INTL mig: Occupation
ABWAGEL	14.2	Last INTL mig: Wage
ABBYL	4.0	Last INTL mig: Frequency of wages
ABCURRL	4.0	Last INTL mig: Currency of wages
ABCURTRP	4.0	Currently on last migration
ABTRIPS	4.0	Total number of INTL migrations
ABHEALTH	4.0	Health: Quality of health before INTL migration
COHEALTH	4.0	Health: Quality of health after INTL migration
<i>Last INTL migration: Social characteristics</i>		
ABCRT	4.0	Country of most important migration
LODGING1	4.0	Relations: Lodging from whom upon arrival on first trip
RELTRIP1	4.0	Relations: Lived with relatives on first trip
PAISTP1	4.0	Relations: Lived with Community members on first trip
LODGINGL	4.0	Relations: Lodging from whom upon arrival on last trip
RELTRIPL	4.0	Relations: Lived with relatives on last trip
PAISTPL	4.0	Relations: Lived with Community members on last trip
SPORT	4.0	Relations: Participated in sports organizations
SOCIAL	4.0	Relations: Participated in social organizations

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Variable	Format	Label
COETHNIC	4.0	Relations: With Colombians
NATIVOS	4.0	Relations: With Natives
LANGUAGE	4.0	Relations: Language spoken during last INTL migration
LANGUSE	4.0	Relations: Language proficiency
LANGHOME	4.0	Relations: Language use at home
LANGWORK	4.0	Relations: Language use at work
LANGFRND	4.0	Relations: Language use among friends
LANGNEIG	4.0	Relations: Language use in neighborhood

Last US visit: Employment characteristics

HOWJOBO	4.0	Employment: How job was obtained
HRWAGEO	8.2	Employment: Hourly wage
HRWEEKO	4.0	Employment: Usual hours worked per week
MONSYRO	4.0	Employment: Usual months worked per year
HOWPAIDO	4.0	Employment: How wages paid
SSTAXO	4.0	Employment: Social security taxes withheld
FINHELP1	4.0	Finances: Who provided financial help on first trip
FINHELPL	4.0	Finances: Who provided financial help on last trip
BANKACCT	4.0	Finances: Bank account
CARD	4.0	Finances: Credit card
TAXES	4.0	Finances: Tax return
RENT	8.2	Finances: Rent per month
FOOD	8.2	Finances: Food budget per month
REMIT	8.2	Finances: Average monthly remittances
REMIT#	4.0	Finances: Purpose of remittance (1 – 5)
SAVINGS	8.2	Finances: Average monthly savings
SAVRETRN	8.2	Finances: Savings brought to Colombia
SAVINGS#	4.0	Finances: Purpose of savings (1 – 5)
CURRENCY	4.0	Finances: Currency used in last migration's finances

Last INTL migration: Benefits and Assistance

SCHOOLS	4.0	Benefits: Children in public schools
WELFARE	4.0	Benefits: Received any welfare
FOODBE	4.0	Benefits: Received food benefits
HOUSING	4.0	Benefits: Received housing benefits
HEALTHBE	4.0	Benefits: Received health benefits
OTHER	4.0	Benefits: Received other type assistance

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Variable	Format	Label
DOCTOR	4.0	Health: Visited a doctor
HOSPITAL	4.0	Health: Visited a hospital
HLTHPMT#	4.0	Health: Who paid health bill (1 – 4)

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Variable	Label	Value	Definition
<i>Identifier Information</i>			
COUNTRY	Country of focus	9	Colombia
COMMUN	Community number		(See Appendix A for codes and descriptions)
SURVEYPL	Place of survey	1 2 3	Home country United States Spain
SURVEYYR	Year of survey	yyyy	(See Appendix A for survey periods) Year
HHNUM	Household number (within community)	nnnn	Number of household
PERSNUM	Person number (within household)	nnnn	Number of person
<i>Sample-Specific Weight:</i>			
WEIGHT	Weight	nnn.nn	Weight
<i>Background Information:</i>			
SEX	Sex	1 2	Male Female
YRBORN	Year of birth	yyyy 9999	Year Unknown
AGE	Age	nn 9999	Age in years Unknown

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Variable	Label	Value	Definition
STATEBRN	State of birth		(See Appendix C for State codes)
PLACEBRN	Place of birth		(See Appendix B for Place codes)
MARSTAT	Marital status	1	Never married
		2	Married (civil or religious)
		3	Consensual union
		4	Widowed
		5	Divorced
		6	Separated
EDYRS	School years completed	nn	Years of education completed
		9999	Unknown
OCC	Principal occupation		(See Appendix D for occupation codes)
		9999	Unknown
<i>Health Information</i>			
HEIGHT	Health: Height (meters)	n.nn	Height in meters
		9999	Unknown
KGS	Health: Weight (kilos)	nnn.nn	Weight in kilos
		9999	Unknown
SMOKES	Health: Currently smokes?	1	Yes
		2	No
		9999	Unknown
SMOKED	Health: Smoked before?	1	Yes
		2	No
		9999	Unknown

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Variable	Label	Value	Definition
SMOKEAGE	Health: Age at first smoke	nn	Age
		8888	Has never smoked
		9999	Unknown
HEALTH	Health: Quality of health at age 14	1	Poor
		2	Regular
		3	Good
		4	Excellent
		9999	Unknown
HEALTHLY	Health: Quality of health last year	1	Poor
		2	Regular
		3	Good
		4	Excellent
		9999	Unknown
HEALTHNW	Health: Current quality of health	1	Poor
		2	Regular
		3	Good
		4	Excellent
		9999	Unknown
HYPERTEN	Health: Has/had hypertension or high blood pressure?	1	Yes
		2	No
		9999	Unknown
SUGAR	Health: Has/had diabetes or high sugar levels?	1	Yes
		2	No
		9999	Unknown
HEART	Health: Has/had heart attack or heart problems?	1	Yes
		2	No
		9999	Unknown
BRAIN	Health: Has suffered a stroke?	1	Yes

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Variable	Label	Value	Definition
		2	No
		9999	Unknown
LUNG	Health: Has/had chronic lung conditions?		
		1	Yes
		2	No
		9999	Unknown
NERVES	Health: Has/had emotional, nerves, or psychiatric problems?		
		1	Yes
		2	No
		9999	Unknown
CANCER	Health: Has/had cancer or malignant tumor?		
		1	Yes
		2	No
		9999	Unknown
<i>International Migration Experience</i>			
ABYR1 - ABYRL	First/last INTL mig: Year		
		yyyy	Year
		9999	Unknown
ABDUR1 - ABDURL	First/last INTL mig: Duration (in months)		
		nnn	Number of months
		9999	Unknown
ABDOC1 - ABDOCL	First/last INTL mig: Documentation used		
		1	Legal resident
		3	Contract - H2A (agricultural)
		4	Temporary: Worker
		5	Temporary: Tourist/visitor
		6	Citizen
		8	Undocumented (includes false documents)
		9	Refugee / asylum
		10	MLTC – Program for Labor, Temporary, and Circular Migration (Colombia - Spain)
		11	Colombian Passport
		12	Student Visa
		9999	Unknown
ABSTATE1 - ABSTATEL	First/last INTL mig: State of residence		
			(See Appendix C for State codes)

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Variable	Label	Value	Definition
ABPLACE1 - ABPLACEL	First/last INTL mig: City of residence		(See Appendix B for place codes)
		9999	Unknown
ABMAR1 - ABMARL	First/last INTL mig: Married	1	Yes
		2	No
		9999	Unknown
ABOCC1 - ABOCCL	First/last INTL mig: Occupation		(See Appendix D for occupation codes)
		9999	Unknown
ABWAGE1 - ABWAGEL	First/last mig: Wage	nnn.dd	Amount
		8888	N/A (Not employed for wages)
		9999	Unknown
ABBY1 - ABBYL	First/last INTL mig: Frequency of wages	1	Hour
		2	Day
		3	Week
		4	Biweekly
		5	Month
		6	Year
		8888	N/A (Not employed for wages)
		9999	Unknown
ABCURR1 - ABCURRL	First/last INTL mig: Currency of wages	1	Dollar – United States
		2	Sol – Peru
		3	Bolivar – Venezuela
		4	Peso – Mexico
		5	Peso – Chile
		6	Peso – Colombia
		7	Peso – Argentina
		8	Sucre – Ecuador
		9	Guarani – Paraguay
		10	Dollar – Canada
		11	Dollar – Australia
		12	Franc - France
		13	Lira – Italy

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Variable	Label	Value	Definition
		14	Pound – England
		15	Peseta – Spain
		16	Yen - Japan
		17	Peso – Bolivia
		18	Euro
		19	Florin - Aruba
		20	Real – Brazil
		21	Rand – South Africa
		22	Colon – Costa Rica
		23	Quetzal – Guatemala
		24	Cordoba – Nicaragua
		25	Krona – Sweden
		9999	Unknown
ABCURTRP	Currently on last US migration		
		1	Yes (has not returned)
		2	No (has returned)
		9999	Unknown
ABTRIPS	Total number of INTL migrations		
		nnn	Number of visits made to the United States
ABHEALTH	Quality of health prior to INTL migration		
		1	Poor
		2	Regular
		3	Good
		4	Excellent
		9999	Unknown
COHEALTH	Quality of health after INTL migration		
		1	Poor
		2	Regular
		3	Good
		4	Excellent
		8888	N/A (has not returned)
		9999	Unknown
<i>Last US Visit: Social Characteristics</i>			
ABCTR	Country of most important INTL migration		
			(See Appendix C for State codes)
LODGING1	Relations: Lodging from whom upon arrival on first trip		

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Variable	Label	Value	Definition
		1	Fellow home-community member
		2	Friend
		3	Employer
		4	Relative
		6	Did not need it/ no one
		7	Other
		9999	Unknown
RELTRIP1	Relations: Contacted Relatives on first trip		
		1	Yes
		2	No
		9999	Unknown
PAISTP1	Relations: Contacted home-community members on first trip?		
		1	Yes
		2	No
		9999	Unknown
LODGINGL	Relations: Lodging from whom upon arrival on last trip		
		1	Fellow home-community member
		2	Friend
		3	Employer
		4	Relative
		6	Did not need it/ no one
		7	Other
		9999	Unknown
		.	Communities 1 - 7
RELTRIPL	Relations: Contacted Relatives on last trip		
		1	Yes
		2	No
		9999	Unknown
		.	Communities 1 - 7
PAISTPL	Relations: Contacted home-community members on last trip?		
		1	Yes
		2	No
		9999	Unknown
		.	Communities 1 - 7
SPORT	Relations: Participated in a sports organization?		
		1	Yes
		2	No

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Variable	Label	Value	Definition
		9999	Unknown
SOCIAL	Relations: Participated in a social organization	1	Yes
		2	No
		9999	Unknown
COETHNIC	Relations: With Colombians	0	None
		1	Workplace only
		2	Friendship
		3	Very Close
		4	Other
		9999	Unknown
NATIVOS	Relations: With Natives	0	None
		1	Workplace only
		2	Friendship
		3	Very Close
		4	Other
		9999	Unknown
LANGUAGE	Relations: Language spoken during last INTL migration	1	English
		2	Spanish
		3	French
		4	Papiamentto
		5	Danish
		6	Italian
		7	Japanese
		8	German
		9	Portuguese
		10	Arab
		11	Serbo-Croatian
		12	Swedish
LANGUSE	Relations: Language proficiency	0	Neither speak nor understand
		1	Do not speak, but understand some
		2	Do not speak, but understand much
		3	Speak and understand some

MIGOTHER Data File: Variable Codes

Variable	Label	Value	Definition
		4	Speak and understand much
		9999	Unknown
LANGWORK	Relations: English use at work		
		1	None
		2	Sometimes
		3	Often
		4	Always
		8888	N/A (Did not work during last trip)
		9999	Unknown
LANGFRND	Relations: English use among friends		
		1	None
		2	Sometimes
		3	Often
		4	Always
		9999	Unknown
LANGFRND	Relations: English use in neighborhood		
		1	None
		2	Sometimes
		3	Often
		4	Always
		9999	Unknown
 <i>Last US Visit: Social Characteristics</i>			
HOWJOB0	Employment: How job was obtained		
		1	Searched by oneself
		2	Recommended by a relative
		3	Recommended by a friend
		4	Recommended by a fellow home-community member
		5	Recommended by a coyote
		6	Contracted
		7	Paid a friend/fellow home-community member
		8	Through an employer agency
		9	"Pick-up" on street corner
		8888	N/A (did not work during last trip)
		9999	Unknown
HRWAGE0	Employment: Hourly wage		
		nnn.dd	Hourly wage
		8888	N/A (did not work during last trip)

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Variable	Label	Value	Definition
		9999	Unknown
HRWEEKO	Employment: Usual hours worked per week	nnn	Number of hours
		8888	N/A (did not work during last trip)
		9999	Unknown
MONSYRO	Employment: Usual months worked per year	nn	Number of months
		8888	N/A (did not work during last trip)
		9999	Unknown
HOWPAIDO	Employment: How wages paid	1	By check
		2	By cash
		8888	N/A (did not work during last trip)
		9999	Unknown
SSTAXO	Employment: Social Security taxes withheld	1	Yes
		2	No
		8888	N/A (did not work during last trip)
		9999	Unknown
FEDTXO	Employment: Federal taxes withheld	1	Yes
		2	No
		8888	N/A (did not work during last trip)
		9999	Unknown
 <i>Last US Visit: Financial Characteristics</i>			
FINHELP1	Finances: Who provided financial help on first trip	1	Fellow home-community member
		2	Friend
		3	Employer
		4	Relative
		5	Bank
		6	Did not need it / no one
		7	Other
		9999	Unknown

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Variable	Label	Value	Definition
FINHELPL	Finances: Who provided financial help on last trip		
		1	Fellow home-community member
		2	Friend
		3	Employer
		4	Relative
		5	Bank
		6	Did not need it / no one
		7	Other
	9999	Unknown	
	.	Communities 1 - 7	
BANKACCT	Finances: Opened bank account		
		1	Yes
		2	No
		9999	Unknown
CARD	Finances: Credit card		
		1	Yes
		2	No
		9999	Unknown
TAXES	Finances: Filed tax return		
		1	Yes
		2	No
		9999	Unknown
RENT	Finances: Rent per month		
	nnn.dd		Amount (refer to CURRENCY variable)
	9999		Unknown
FOOD	Finances: Food budget per month		
	nnn.dd		Amount (refer to CURRENCY variable)
	9999		Unknown
REMIT	Finances: Average monthly remittances		
	nnn.dd		Amount (refer to CURRENCY variable)
	9999		Unknown
REMIT1-REMIT5	Finances: Purpose of remittance (1-5)		
		1	Food and maintenance
		2	Construction or repair of house
		3	Purchase of house or lot
		4	Purchase of vehicle

MIGOTHER Data File: Variable Codes

Variable	Label	Value	Definition
		5	Purchase of tools
		6	Purchase of livestock
		7	Purchase of agricultural inputs
		8	Purchase of consumer goods
		9	Start/expand a business
		10	Education expenses
		11	Health expenses
		12	Debt payment
		13	Finance a special event
		14	Recreation/entertainment
		15	Savings
		16	Other
		8888	N/A (no remittance / no additional remittance)
		9999	Unknown
SAVINGS	Finances: Average monthly savings		
		nnn.dd	Amount (refer to CURRENCY variable)
		9999	Unknown
SAVRETRN	Finances: Savings brought to Colombia		
		nnn.dd	Amount (refer to CURRENCY variable)
		9999	Unknown
SAVINGS1-SAVINGS5	Finances: Purpose of savings (1-5)		
		1	Food and maintenance
		2	Construction or repair of house
		3	Purchase of house or lot
		4	Purchase of vehicle
		5	Purchase of tools
		6	Purchase of livestock
		7	Purchase of agricultural inputs
		8	Purchase of consumer goods
		9	Start/expand a business
		10	Education expenses
		11	Health expenses
		12	Debt payment
		13	Finance a special event
		14	Recreation/entertainment
		15	Savings
		16	Other
		8888	N/A (no savings / no additional saving)
		9999	Unknown

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Variable	Label	Value	Definition
CURRENCY	Finances: Currency used in last migration's finances		
		1	Dollar – United States
		2	Sol – Peru
		3	Bolivar – Venezuela
		4	Peso – Mexico
		5	Peso – Chile
		6	Peso – Colombia
		7	Peso – Argentina
		8	Sucre – Ecuador
		9	Guarani – Paraguay
		10	Dollar – Canada
		11	Dollar – Australia
		12	Franc - France
		13	Lira – Italy
		14	Pound – England
		15	Peseta – Spain
		16	Yen - Japan
		17	Peso – Bolivia
		18	Euro
		19	Florin - Aruba
		20	Real – Brazil
		21	Rand – South Africa
		22	Colon – Costa Rica
		9999	Unknown
 <i>Last US Visit: Public Benefits and Assistance</i>			
SCHOOLS	Benefits: Children in public Schools		
		1	Yes
		2	No
		9999	Unknown
WELFARE	Benefits: Received any welfare (all types)		
		1	Yes
		2	No
		9999	Unknown
FOODBE	Benefits: Received food benefits		
		1	Yes
		2	No
		9999	Unknown

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Variable	Label	Value	Definition
HOUSING	Benefits: Received housing benefits	1	Yes
		2	No
		9999	Unknown
HEALTHBE	Benefits: Received health benefits	1	Yes
		2	No
		9999	Unknown
OTHER	Benefits: Received other type of assistance	1	Yes
		2	No
		9999	Unknown
DOCTOR	Health: Visited a doctor	1	Yes
		2	No
		9999	Unknown
HOSPITAL	Health: Visited a hospital	1	Yes
		2	No
		9999	Unknown
HLTHPMT1-HLTHPMT4	Health: Who paid health bill (1-4)	1	Employer
		2	Private insurance
		3	Medicaid (public insurance)
		4	Self
		5	Relatives
		6	No one
		7	Other
		8888	N/A (no health costs)
		9999	Unknown