

COL14_2016 – PERS File

Description

PERS is a cross-sectional file for every person who appears in table A.

PERS Variables

COL14_2016 – PERS file contains 14,958 observations and 84 variables. PERS is a person-level file that provides general demographic characteristics and information on domestic and international migration.

Variables found in this file are:

- Demographic information such as age, gender, relationship to head of household, marital status, and current economic indicators (table A).
- Characteristics of first and last trip made within Colombia (table C).
- Characteristics of first and last international trip (table D)
- For surveys done in Spain, information on legalization was collected (table D2).
- Health variables collected only for head of household and spouse (table Q).

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

PERS 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)
INFORM	4.0	Informant status
HHMEMSHP	4.0	Household membership
<i>Sample-specific weight</i>		
WEIGHT	6.2	Weight
<i>Background information</i>		
SEX	4.0	Sex
RELHEAD	4.0	Relationship to household head
SPCHILD	4.0	Children of spouse
CEB	4.0	Children ever born
CDEAD	4.0	Children dead
YRBORN	4.0	Year of birth
YRDEAD	4.0	Year of death
AGE	4.0	Age
STATEBRN	4.0	Place of birth: Departamento/State
PLACEBRN	4.0	Place of birth: Municipio/Place
MARSTAT	4.0	Marital status
EDYRS	4.0	School years completed
OCC	4.0	Principal occupation
WAGE	14.2	Wage (for last formal job in Colombia)
BY	4.0	Wage unit
<i>Health Information</i> <i>(Applies to Household Head and Spouse Only)</i>		
HEIGHT	6.2	Health: Height (meters)
KGS	6.2	Health: Weights (kilos)
SOKES	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

PERS Data File: Variable list and specification

Variable	Format	Label
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
CANCER	4.0	Health: Has suffered cancer
 <i>International Migration Experience</i>		
ABBORN	4.0	Born abroad
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 INTL migration
ABTRIPS	4.0	Total number of INTL migrations
ABEXP	8.2	Total months of INTL experience
LEGYRAPP	4.0	Legalization: Year applied
LEGYRREC	4.0	Legalization: Year received
LEGSPON	4.0	Legalization: Sponsor

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Variable	Format	Label
CITYRAPP	4.0	Citizenship: Year applied
CITYRREC	4.0	Citizenship: Year received
ABHEALTH	4.0	Health: Quality of health before INTL migration
COHEALTH	4.0	Health: Quality of health after INTL migration

DOMESTIC Migration Experience

DOYR1	4.0	First COL mig: Year
DODUR1	4.0	First COL mig: Duration (in months)
DOSTATE1	4.0	First COL mig: State of residence
DOPLACE1	4.0	First COL mig: City of residence
DOOCC1	4.0	First COL mig: Occupation
DOYRL	4.0	Last COL mig: Year
DODURL	4.0	Last COL mig: Duration (in months)
DOSTATEL	4.0	Last COL mig: State of residence
DOPLACEL	4.0	Last COL mig: City of residence
DOOCCL	4.0	Last COL mig: Occupation
DOWAGEL	8.2	Last COL mig: Wage (Colombian Pesos)
DOBYL	4.0	Last COL mig: Frequency of wages
DOCURTRP	4.0	Currently on last COL migration?
DOTRIPS	4.0	Total number of COL migrations

PERS Data File: Variable Codes

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)	nn	Number of person
INFORM	Informant status	1 2	Person was an informant Person was not an informant
HHMEMSHP	Household membership	1 2 8888	Person was member of OTHER household Person was member of SURVEY household Deceased
<i>Sample-Specific Weight:</i>			
WEIGHT	Weight	nnn.nn	Weight
<i>Background Information:</i>			
SEX	Sex	1 2	Male Female
RELHEAD	Relationship to household head		

PERS Data File: Variable Codes

Variable	Label	Value	Definition
		1	Head
		2	Spouse
		3	Son/daughter
		4	Father/mother
		5	Brother/sister
		6	Niece/nephew
		7	Uncle/aunt
		8	Cousin
		9	Grandfather/grandmother
		10	Grandson/granddaughter
		11	Stepson/stepdaughter
		12	Stepbrother/stepsister
		13	Stepmother/stepfather
		14	Son-in-law/daughter-in-law
		15	Brother-in-law/sister-in-law
		16	Father-in-law/mother-in-law
		17	Other blood relative
		18	Other relative by marriage
		19	Non-relative
		20	Adopted/foster child
		9999	Unknown
SPCHILD	Children of spouse		
		1	Yes
		2	No
		8888	N/A – Household head or spouse
		9999	Unknown
CEB	Children ever born		
		nn	Number
		8888	N/A (Not household head)
CDEAD	Children dead		
		nn	Number
		8888	N/A (Not household head)
YRBORN	Year of birth		
		yyyy	Year
		9999	Unknown
YRDEAD	Year of death		
		yyyy	Year
		8888	Person still alive
		9999	Unknown

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Variable	Label	Value	Definition
AGE	Age	nn	Age in years
		8888	Deceased
		9999	Unknown
STATEBRN	Place of birth: Departamento / State		(See Appendix C for State codes)
		9999	Unknown
PLACEBRN	Place of birth: Municipio / City		(See Appendix B for Place codes)
		9999	Unknown
MARSTAT	Marital status	1	Never married
		2	Married (civil or religious)
		3	Consensual union
		4	Widowed
		5	Divorced
		6	Separated
		8888	Deceased
		9999	Unknown
EDYRS	School years completed	nn	Years of education completed
		8888	Deceased
		9999	Unknown
OCC	Principal occupation		(See Appendix D for occupation codes)
		8888	Deceased
		9999	Unknown
WAGE	Wage for last formal job in Colombia	nnn.nn	Amount
		0	Not employed for wages / No income
		8888	N/A (Not household head)
		9999	Unknown
BY	Wage unit	1	Hour
		2	Day

PERS Data File: Variable Codes

Variable	Label	Value	Definition
		3	Week
		4	Biweekly
		5	Month
		6	Year
		8888	N/A (Not household head or spouse / No income)
		9999	Unknown
 Health Information			
HEIGHT	Health: Height (meters)		
		n.nn	Height in meters
		8888	N/A (Not household head or spouse)
		9999	Unknown
KGS	Health: Weight (kilos)		
		nnn.nn	Weight in kilos
		8888	N/A (Not household head or spouse)
		9999	Unknown
SMOKES	Health: Currently smokes?		
		1	Yes
		2	No
		8888	N/A (Not household head or spouse)
		9999	Unknown
SMOKED	Health: Smoked before?		
		1	Yes
		2	No
		8888	N/A (Not household head or spouse)
		9999	Unknown
SMOKEAGE	Health: Age at first smoke		
		nn	Age
		8888	N/A (Not household head or spouse)
		8888	Has never smoked (Household head or spouse)
		9999	Unknown
HEALTH	Health: Quality of health at age 14		
		1	Poor
		2	Regular
		3	Good
		4	Excellent
		8888	N/A (Not household head or spouse)
		9999	Unknown

PERS Data File: Variable Codes

Variable	Label	Value	Definition
HEALTHLY	Health: Quality of health last year	1	Poor
		2	Regular
		3	Good
		4	Excellent
		8888	N/A (Not household head or spouse)
		9999	Unknown
HEALTHNW	Health: Current quality of health	1	Poor
		2	Regular
		3	Good
		4	Excellent
		8888	N/A (Not household head or spouse)
		9999	Unknown
HYPERTEN	Health: Has/had hypertension or high blood pressure?	1	Yes
		2	No
		8888	N/A (Not household head or spouse)
		9999	Unknown
SUGAR	Health: Has/had diabetes or high sugar levels?	1	Yes
		2	No
		8888	N/A (Not household head or spouse)
		9999	Unknown
HEART	Health: Has/had heart attack or heart problems?	1	Yes
		2	No
		8888	N/A (Not household head or spouse)
		9999	Unknown
BRAIN	Health: Has suffered a stroke?	1	Yes
		2	No
		8888	N/A (Not household head or spouse)
		9999	Unknown
LUNG	Health: Has/had chronic lung conditions?	1	Yes
		2	No

PERS Data File: Variable Codes

Variable	Label	Value	Definition
		8888	N/A (Not household head or spouse)
		9999	Unknown
NERVES	Health: Has/had emotional, nerves, or psychiatric problems?		
		1	Yes
		2	No
		8888	N/A (Not household head or spouse)
		9999	Unknown
CANCER	Health: Has/had cancer or malignant tumor?		
		1	Yes
		2	No
		8888	N/A (Not household head or spouse)
		9999	Unknown
International Migration Experience			
ABBORN	Born abroad		
		1	Yes
		2	No
ABYR1 - ABYRL	First/last INTL mig: Year		
		yyyy	Year
		8888	N/A (never migrated abroad)
		9999	Unknown
ABDUR1 - ABDURL	First/last INTL mig: Duration (in months)		
		nnn	Number of months
		8888	N/A (never migrated abroad)
		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
		8888	N/A (never migrated abroad)
		9999	Unknown

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Variable	Label	Value	Definition
ABSTATE1 - ABSTATEL	First/last INTL mig: State of residence		(See Appendix C for country codes)
		8888	N/A (never migrated abroad)
ABPLACE1 - ABPLACEL	First/last INTL mig: City of residence		(See Appendix B for place codes)
		8888	N/A (never migrated abroad)
		9999	Unknown
ABMAR1 - ABMARL	First/last INTL mig: Married		
		1	Yes
		2	No
		8888	N/A (never migrated abroad)
		9999	Unknown
ABOCC1 - ABOCCL	First/last INTL mig: Occupation		(See Appendix D for occupation codes)
		8888	N/A (never migrated abroad)
		9999	Unknown
ABWAGE1 - ABWAGEL	First/last mig: Wage		
		nnn.dd	Amount
		8888	N/A (not employed for wages / never migrated)
		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 / never migrated)
		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

PERS Data File: Variable Codes

Variable	Label	Value	Definition
		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
		8888	N/A (not employed for wages / never migrated)
		9999	Unknown
ABCURTRP	Currently on last INTL migration		
		1	Yes (has not returned)
		2	No (has returned)
		8888	N/A (never migrated abroad)
		9999	Unknown
ABTRIPS	Total number of international trips		
		nnn	Number of international trips
		9999	Unknown
ABEXP	Total months of experience abroad		
		nnn	Number of months
		8888	See Appendix E
		9999	Unknown
LEGYRAPP	Legalization: Year applied		
<i>Note: Question introduced in 2015</i>		yyyy	Year
		8888	N/A (never applied for legalization)
		9999	Unknown
		.	Surveys done before 2015
LEGYRREC	Legalization: Year received		
<i>Note: Question introduced in 2015</i>		yyyy	Year
		8888	N/A (never applied for legalization)
		9999	Unknown
		.	Surveys done before 2015

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Variable	Label	Value	Definition
LEGSPON	Legalization: Sponsor		
<i>Note: Question introduced in 2015</i>		1	Work offer (Spain)
		2	“Contingente” for international workers ^a
		3	Socially ingrained ^b
		4	Extraordinary regularization ^c
		5	Family reunification
		6	Studies
		7	Other
		8888	N/A (never applied for legalization)
		9999	Unknown
		.	Surveys done before 2015
			^a “Contingente” for international workers: This program started in 2008, right after the Spanish Recession. This is for international workers who do not belong to the EU community.
			^b Socially ingrained: This applies to migrants who can prove that they have been in Spain for at least three years, have direct family in Spain, and have a signed work contract for more than a year.
			^c Extraordinary regularization: Specific to those migrants who have an irregular situation in Spain.
CITYRAPP	Citizenship: Year applied		
<i>Note: Question introduced in 2015</i>		yyyy	Year
		8888	N/A (never applied for legalization)
		9999	Unknown
		.	Surveys done before 2015
CITYRREC	Citizenship: Year received		
<i>Note: Question introduced in 2015</i>		yyyy	Year
		8888	N/A (never applied for legalization)
		9999	Unknown
		.	Surveys done before 2015
ABHEALTH	Quality of health prior to INTL migration		
		1	Poor
		2	Regular
		3	Good
		4	Excellent
		8888	N/A (Not household head or spouse/ not migrant)
		9999	Unknown
COHEALTH	Quality of health after INTL migration		
		1	Poor
		2	Regular
		3	Good
		4	Excellent
		8888	N/A (Not household head or spouse/not returned)
		9999	Unknown

PERS Data File: Variable Codes

Variable	Label	Value	Definition
Domestic Migration Experience			
DOYR1 - DOYRL	First/last COL mig: Year	yyy	Year
		8888	N/A (never migrated internally)
		9999	Unknown
DODUR1 - DODURL	First/last COL mig: Duration (in months)	nnn	Number of months
		8888	N/A (never migrated internally)
		9999	Unknown
DOSTATE1 - DOSTATEL	First/last COL mig: Department of residence		(See Appendix C for Department codes)
		8888	N/A (never migrated internally)
		9999	Unknown
DOPLACE1 - DOPLACEL	First/last COL mig: City of residence		(See Appendix B for place codes)
		8888	N/A (never migrated internally)
		9999	Unknown
DOOCC1 - DOOCCL	First/last COL mig: Occupation		(See Appendix D for occupation codes)
		8888	N/A (never migrated internally)
		9999	Unknown
DOWAGEL	First/last COL mig: Wage (Colombian pesos)	nnn.dd	Amount
		8888	N/A (never worked for wages/ never migrated)
		9999	Unknown
DOBYL	First/last COL mig: Frequency of wages	1	Hour
		2	Day
		3	Week
		4	Biweekly
		5	Month
		6	Year
		8888	N/A (never worked for wages/ never migrated)
		9999	Unknown
DOCURTRP	Currently on last COL migration	1	Yes (has not returned)

PERS Data File: Variable Codes

Variable	Label	Value	Definition
		2	No (has returned)
		8888	N/A (never migrated internally)
		9999	Unknown
DOTRIPS	Total number of COL migrations		
		nnn	Number of domestic trips
		9999	Unknown