

COL14_2016 – SPOUSE File

Description

SPOUSE is an event-history file for each household head from the year of birth until the survey year.

SPOUSE Variables

COL14_2016 – SPOUSE file contains 96,679 observations and 79 variables. The SPOUSE file is built using mainly table Fb; plus, these data are supplemented by various time-constant variables gleaned from other data files, specifically from tables C and D.

Time-specific variables are:

- Labor force information constructed using table Fb.
- U.S. migration information using specific variables from tables D and D2.

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

SPOUSE Data File: Variable list and specification

Variable	Format	Label
Identifier information:		
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)
Sample-specific weight:		
WEIGHT	6.2	Weight
Background information (time-constant):		
SEX	4.0	Sex
YRBORN	4.0	Year of birth
STATEBRN	4.0	State of birth
PLACEBRN	4.0	Place of birth
OCC	4.0	Principal occupation
International Migration Experience (time-constant):		
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

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Variable	Format	Label
ABCURRL	4.0	Last INTL mig: Currency of wages
HOWJOBS	4.0	Last INTL mig: How job was obtained
HRWAGES	8.2	Last INTL mig: Hourly wage
HRWEEKS	4.0	Last INTL mig: Usual hours worked per week
MONSYRS	4.0	Last INTL mig: Usual months worked per year
HOWPAIDS	4.0	Last INTL mig: How wages paid
SSTAXS	4.0	Last INTL mig: Social security taxes withheld
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
CITYRAPP	4.0	Citizenship: Year applied
CITYRREC	4.0	Citizenship: Year received
<i>Domestic Migration Experience (time-constant):</i>		
DOYR1	4.0	First domestic trip: Year
DODUR1	4.0	First domestic trip: Duration (in months)
DOSTATE1	4.0	First domestic trip: State of residence
DOPLACE1	4.0	First domestic trip: City of residence
DOOCC1	4.0	First domestic trip: Occupation
DOYRL	4.0	Last domestic trip: Year
DODURL	4.0	Last domestic trip: Duration (in months)
DOSTATEL	4.0	Last domestic trip: State of residence
DOPLACEL	4.0	Last domestic trip: City of residence
DOOCCL	4.0	Last domestic trip: Occupation
DOWAGEL	8.2	Last domestic trip: Wage (Colombian Pesos)
DOBYL	4.0	Last domestic trip: Frequency of wages
DOTRIPS	4.0	Total number of domestic migrations
<i>Person-year information (time-specific):</i>		
YEAR	4.0	Year
LIFEYR	4.0	Year in life history
AGE	4.0	Age
EDUC	4.0	Educational attainment

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Labor force information (time-specific):

OCCUP	4.0	Occupation
JCHANGE	4.0	Job change
JOBNUM	4.0	Job number
JOBDUR	4.0	Duration (months) in job in PY
JDURTOT	4.0	Total duration (months) in current job
JOBPLACE	4.0	City/place of job
JOBSTATE	4.0	State of job
PENSION	4.0	Type of Social Security or a pension offered by the job

Migration/duration information (time-specific):

ABROAD	4.0	Abroad
TRIP	4.0	New trip
TRIPNUM	4.0	Estimated trip number
ABDOC	4.0	Documentation abroad
GREEN	4.0	Residency
CITIZEN	4.0	Citizen
ABDUR	4.0	Months spent abroad
ABCUMEXP	4.0	Cumulative INTL experience (months)

SPOUSE 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	Colombia United States Spain
SURVEYYR	Year of survey	yyyy	(See Appendix A for survey periods) Year
HHNUM	Household number (within community)	nnnn	Number of household
<i>Sample-Specific Weight:</i>			
WEIGHT	Weight	nnn.nn 9999	Weight Unknown
<i>Background Information (time-constant):</i>			
SEX	Sex	1 2	Male Female
YRBORN	Year of birth	yyyy	Year
STATEBRN	State of birth	9999	(See Appendix C for State codes) Unknown
PLACEBRN	Place of birth	9999	(See Appendix B for Place codes) Unknown

SPOUSE Data File: Variable Codes

Variable	Label	Value	Definition
OCC	Principal occupation		(See Appendix D for occupation codes)
		9999	Unknown
International Migration Experience (time-constant):			
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
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

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Variable	Label	Value	Definition
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
		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

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Variable	Label	Value	Definition
		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
HOWJOBS	Last INTL mig: 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
HRWAGES	Last INTL mig: Hourly wage		
		nnn.dd	Hourly wage
		8888	N/A (Did not work during last trip)
		9999	Unknown
HRWEEKS	Last INTL mig: Usual hours worked per week		
		nnn	Number of hours
		8888	N/A (Did not work during last trip)
		9999	Unknown
MONSYRS	Last INTL mig: Usual months worked per year		
		nn	Number of months
		8888	N/A (Did not work during last trip)
		9999	Unknown
HOWPAIDS	Last INTL mig: How wages paid		
		1	By check
		2	By cash
		8888	N/A (Did not work during last trip)
		9999	Unknown

SPOUSE Data File: Variable Codes

Variable	Label	Value	Definition
SSTAXS	Last INTL mig: Social Security taxes withheld	1	Yes
		2	No
		8888	N/A (Did not work during last trip)
		9999	Unknown
ABTRIPS	Total number of international trips	nnn	Number of international trips
ABEXP	Total months of experience abroad	nnn	Number of months
		8888	See Appendix E
LEGYRAPP	Legalization: Year applied	yyyy	Year
		8888	N/A (never applied for legalization)
		9999	Unknown
		.	Surveys done before 2015
<i>Note: Question introduced in 2015</i>			
LEGYRREC	Legalization: Year received	yyyy	Year
		8888	N/A (never applied for legalization)
		9999	Unknown
		.	Surveys done before 2015
<i>Note: Question introduced in 2015</i>			
LEGSPON	Legalization: Sponsor	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
<i>Note: Question introduced in 2015</i>			
^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	yyyy	Year
		8888	N/A (never applied for legalization)
<i>Note: Question introduced in 2015</i>			

SPOUSE Data File: Variable Codes

Variable	Label	Value	Definition
		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
Domestic Migration Experience (time-constant):			
DOYR1 - DOYRL	First/last domestic mig: Year		
		yyyy	Year
		8888	N/A (never migrated internally)
		9999	Unknown
DODUR1 - DODURL	First/last domestic mig: Duration (in months)		
		nnn	Number of months
		8888	N/A (never migrated internally)
		9999	Unknown
DOSTATE1 - DOSTATEL	First/last domestic mig: Department of residence		
			(See Appendix C for Department codes)
		8888	N/A (never migrated internally)
		9999	Unknown
DOPLACE1 - DOPLACEL	First/last domestic mig: City of residence		
			(See Appendix B for place codes)
		8888	N/A (never migrated internally)
		9999	Unknown
DOOCC1 - DOOCCL	First/last domestic mig: Occupation		
			(See Appendix D for occupation codes)
		8888	N/A (never migrated internally)
		9999	Unknown
DOWAGEL	Last domestic mig: Wage (Colombian pesos)		
		nnn.dd	Amount
		8888	N/A (never worked for wages/ never migrated)
		9999	Unknown
DOBYL	Last domestic mig: Frequency of wages		
		1	Hour

SPOUSE Data File: Variable Codes

Variable	Label	Value	Definition
		2	Day
		3	Week
		4	Biweekly
		5	Month
		6	Year
		8888	N/A (never worked for wages/ never migrated)
		9999	Unknown
DOTRIPS	Total number of domestic migrations		
		nnn	Number of domestic trips
		9999	Unknown
<i>Person-year information (time-specific):</i>			
YEAR	Year		
		yyyy	Year
LIFEYR	Year in life history		
		1	First person-year
		2	Intervening person-years
		3	Last person-year
AGE	Age		
		nn	Age
EDUC	Educational Attainment		
		nn	Number of years completed
		9999	Unknown
<i>Labor force information (time-specific):</i>			
OCCUP	Occupation		
			(See Appendix D for Occupation codes)
		0	Prior to labor force entry
		9999	Unknown
JCHANGE	Job change		
		0	No job change during PY
		1	Job change during PY
JOBNUM	Job number		
		nn	(Estimated) job number

SPOUSE Data File: Variable Codes

Variable	Label	Value	Definition
JOBDUR	Duration (months) in job in PY	nn	Number of months
JDURTOT	Total duration (months) in current job	nnn 9999	Number of months Unknown
JOBPLACE	City/place of job	0 9999	(See Appendix B for Place codes) Prior to labor force entry Unknown
JOBSTATE	State of job	0 9999	(See Appendix C for Place codes) Prior to labor force entry Unknown
PENSION	Type of Social Security or a pension offered by the job	0 1 2 3 9999	None Contributive Pension / Retired Subsidied Unknown
<i>Migration/duration information (time-specific):</i>			
ABROAD	Abroad	0 1	No Yes
TRIP	New trip	0 1	No Yes
TRIPNUM	Estimated trip number	nn	Number
TRIPDUR	Total duration (months) of trip	nnn	Number of months
ABDOC	Documentation abroad	0	N/A (Not abroad during person-year)

SPOUSE Data File: Variable Codes

Variable	Label	Value	Definition
		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
GREEN	Legal resident		
		0	No
		1	Yes
CITIZEN	Citizen		
		0	No
		1	Yes
ABDUR	Months spent abroad		
		nn	Number of months
ABCUMEXP	Cumulative expedience abroad (months)		
		nn	Number of months