

MIG 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) |
| <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 | Place of birth: Departament / 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 El Salvador) |
| BY | 4.0 | Wage unit |
| CURRENCY | 4.0 | Currency of last formal job in El Salvador |
| PENSION | 4.0 | Has pension? |
| YRPENS | 4.0 | Year pension started |
| CTRPENS | 4.0 | Country of pension |
| <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 |

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| 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 |
| DISABLED | 4.0 | Health: Disabled? |
| CAUSE | 4.0 | Health: Cause of illness |
| <i>U.S. Migration Experience</i> | | |
| USYR1 | 4.0 | First U.S. mig: Year |
| USDUR1 | 4.0 | First U.S. mig: Duration (in months) |
| USDOC1 | 4.0 | First U.S. mig: Documentation used |
| USSTATE1 | 4.0 | First U.S. mig: State of residence |
| USPLACE1 | 4.0 | First U.S. mig: City of residence |
| USMAR1 | 4.0 | First U.S. mig: Married |
| USOCC1 | 4.0 | First U.S. mig: Occupation |
| USWAGE1 | 14.2 | First U.S. mig: Wage |
| USBY1 | 4.0 | First U.S. mig: Frequency of wages |
| USYRL | 4.0 | Last U.S. mig: Year |
| USDURL | 4.0 | Last U.S. mig: Duration (in months) |
| USDOCL | 4.0 | Last U.S. mig: Documentation used |
| USSTATEL | 4.0 | Last U.S. mig: State of residence |
| USPLACEL | 4.0 | Last U.S. mig: City of residence |
| USMARL | 4.0 | Last U.S. mig: Married |
| USOCCL | 4.0 | Last U.S. mig: Occupation |
| USWAGEL | 14.2 | Last U.S. mig: Wage |
| USBYL | 4.0 | Last U.S. mig: Frequency of wages |
| USCURTRP | 4.0 | Currently on last migration |
| USTRIPS | 4.0 | Total number of US trips |
| USEXP | 4.0 | Total months of US experience |
| USHEALTH | 4.0 | Health: Quality of health before US migration |
| ESHEALTH | 4.0 | Health: Quality of health after US migration |
| LEGYRAPP | 4.0 | Legalization: Year of residency application |
| LEGYRREC | 4.0 | Legalization: Year residency received |
| LEGSPON | 4.0 | Legalization: Sponsor |
| CITYRAPP | 4.0 | Citizenship: Year of application |
| CITYRREC | 4.0 | Citizenship: Year received |

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| <i>Undocumented Crossings (1-6) to the U.S:</i> | | |
| CRSYR# | 4.0 | Crossing (1-6): Year |
| CRSCTR# | 4.0 | Crossing (1-6): Country |
| CRSBY# | 4.0 | Crossing (1-6): Crossed by |
| CRSGUST# | 4.0 | Crossing (1-6): Border crossing state in Guatemala |
| CRSGSPL# | 4.0 | Crossing (1-6): Border crossing place in Guatemala |
| CRSMXST# | 4.0 | Crossing (1-6): Border crossing state in Mexico |
| CRSMXPL# | 4.0 | Crossing (1-6): Border crossing place in Mexico |
| CRSOTST# | 4.0 | Crossing (1-6): Border crossing state in other country |
| CRSOTPL# | 4.0 | Crossing (1-6): Border crossing place in other country |
| CRSWHOM# | 4.0 | Crossing (1-6): With whom? |
| CRSCOY# | 4.0 | Crossing (1-6): Coyote used? |
| CRSHIRE# | 4.0 | Crossing (1-6): How was coyote hired? |
| CRSCST# | 4.0 | Crossing (1-6): Cost of coyote? |
| CRSPAY# | 4.0 | Crossing (1-6): Who paid coyote? |
| CRSHWPD# | 4.0 | Crossing (1-6): How was coyote paid? |
| CRSDEP# | 4.0 | Crossing (1-6): Number of deportations |
| CRSDCTR# | 4.0 | Crossing (1-6): Country of deportations |
| CRSYES# | 4.0 | Crossing (1-6): Successful? |
| <i>Migratory experience of family-of-origin (of household head):</i> | | |
| MOMGYR | 4.0 | Mother: Year of first INTL migration |
| MOGREE | 4.0 | Mother: Green card? |
| MOYRGR | 4.0 | Mother: Year received green card |
| MOLIVE | 4.0 | Mother: Still living? |
| MOUSNW | 4.0 | Mother: Currently resides in U.S.? |
| MOUSST | 4.0 | Mother: State of U.S. residence |
| MOUSPL | 4.0 | Mother: City of U.S. residence |
| FAMGYR | 4.0 | Father: Year of first INTL migration |
| FAGREE | 4.0 | Father: Green card? |
| FAYRGR | 4.0 | Father: Year received green card |
| FALIVE | 4.0 | Father: Still living? |
| FAUSNW | 4.0 | Father: Currently resides in U.S.? |
| FAUSST | 4.0 | Father: State of U.S. residence |
| FAUSPL | 4.0 | Father: City of U.S. residence |
| SBSEX# | 4.0 | Sibling #: Sex (1 – 10) |
| SBMGYR# | 4.0 | Sibling #: Year of first U.S. migration (1 – 10) |
| SBGREE# | 4.0 | Sibling #: Green card? (1 – 10) |

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| SBYRGR# | 4.0 | Sibling #: Year received green card? (1 – 10) |
| SBLIVE# | 4.0 | Sibling #: Still living? (1 – 10) |
| SBUSNW# | 4.0 | Sibling #: Currently resides in U.S.? (1 – 10) |
| SBUSST# | 4.0 | Sibling #: State of U.S. residence (1 – 10) |
| SBUSPL# | 4.0 | Sibling #: City of U.S. residence (1 – 10) |

U.S. Migration Experience among Head's Extended Family and Friends

| | | |
|----------|-----|---|
| UNCINUS | 4.0 | Uncles: Number currently in U.S. |
| UNCEVUS | 4.0 | Uncles: Number ever been to U.S. |
| COINUS | 4.0 | Cousins: Number currently in U.S. |
| COEVUS | 4.0 | Cousins: Number ever been to U.S. |
| NEINUS | 4.0 | Nieces/nephews: Number currently in U.S. |
| NEEVUS | 4.0 | Nieces/nephews: Number ever been to U.S. |
| SBILINUS | 4.0 | Siblings-in-law: Number currently in U.S. |
| SBILEVUS | 4.0 | Siblings-in-law: Number ever been to U.S. |
| CHILINUS | 4.0 | Children-in-law: Number currently in U.S. |
| CHILEVUS | 4.0 | Children-in-law: Number ever been to U.S. |
| PILINUS | 4.0 | Parents-in-law: Number currently in U.S. |
| PILEVUS | 4.0 | Parents-in-law: Number ever been to U.S. |
| FRINUS | 4.0 | Friends: Number currently in U.S. |
| FREVUS | 4.0 | Friends: Number ever been to U.S. |
| EXINUS | 4.0 | Ex-spouse: Number currently in U.S. |
| EXEVUS | 4.0 | Ex-spouse: Number ever been to U.S. |

Last U.S. migration: Social characteristics

| | | |
|----------|-----|---|
| LODGING | 4.0 | Relations: Lodging from whom upon arrival |
| RELTRIP | 4.0 | Relations: Lived with relatives |
| PAISTRIP | 4.0 | Relations: Lived with Community members |
| SPORT | 4.0 | Relations: Participated in sports organizations |
| SOCIAL | 4.0 | Relations: Participated in social organizations |
| COETHNIC | 4.0 | Relations: With Salvadorians |
| BLACKS | 4.0 | Relations: With Blacks |
| ASIANS | 4.0 | Relations: With Asians |
| ANGLOS | 4.0 | Relations: With Anglos |
| ENGLISH | 4.0 | Relations: English proficiency |
| ENGHOME | 4.0 | Relations: Language use at home |
| ENGWORK | 4.0 | Relations: Language use at work |
| ENGFRND | 4.0 | Relations: Language use among friends |
| ENGNEIG | 4.0 | Relations: Language use in neighborhood |

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| <i>Last U.S. migration: Employment characteristics</i> | | |
| HOWJOB | 4.0 | Employment: How job was obtained |
| HRWAGE | 8.2 | Employment: Hourly wage |
| HRWEEK | 4.0 | Employment: Usual hours worked per week |
| MONSYR | 4.0 | Employment: Usual months worked per year |
| HOWPAID | 4.0 | Employment: How wages paid |
| SSTAX | 4.0 | Employment: Social security taxes withheld |
| FEDTX | 4.0 | Employment: Federal taxes withheld |
| ROWNER | 4.0 | Employment: Race of employer |
| RSUPER | 4.0 | Employment: Race of supervisor |
| | | |
| HOWJOBS | 4.0 | Spouse's employment: How job was obtained |
| HRWAGES | 8.2 | Spouse's employment: Hourly wage |
| HRWEEKS | 4.0 | Spouse's employment: Usual hours worked per week |
| MONSYRS | 4.0 | Spouse's employment: Usual months worked per year |
| HOWPAIDS | 4.0 | Spouse's employment: How wages paid |
| SSTAXS | 4.0 | Spouse's employment: Social security taxes withheld |
| FEDTXS | 4.0 | Spouse's employment: Federal taxes withheld |
| ROWNERS | 4.0 | Spouse's employment: Race of employer |
| RSUPERS | 4.0 | Spouse's employment: Race of supervisor |
| | | |
| <i>Last U.S. migration: Economic characteristics</i> | | |
| FINHELP | 4.0 | Finances: Who provided financial help |
| BANK | 4.0 | Finances: Bank account |
| CARD | 4.0 | Finances: Credit card |
| TAXES | 4.0 | Finances: Tax return |
| | | |
| RENT | 14.2 | Finances: Rent per month |
| FOOD | 14.2 | Finances: Food budget per month |
| | | |
| REMIT | 14.2 | Finances: Average monthly remittances |
| REMIT# | 4.0 | Finances: Purpose of remittance (1 – 5) |
| | | |
| REMMCOMM | 14.2 | Finances: Average monthly remittances to community |
| REMMCOMM# | 4.0 | Finances: Purpose of remittance to community (1 – 5) |
| | | |
| SAVINGS | 14.2 | Finances: Average monthly savings |
| SAVRETRN | 14.2 | Finances: Savings brought to El Salvador |
| SAVINGS# | 4.0 | Finances: Purpose of savings (1 – 5) |

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Last U.S. migration: Benefits and Assistance

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| SCHOOLS | 4.0 | Benefits: Children in public schools |
| UNEMP | 4.0 | Benefits: Received unemployed compensation |
| FOODST | 4.0 | Benefits: Received food stamps |
| WELFARE | 4.0 | Benefits: Received any welfare |
| AFDC | 4.0 | Benefits: Received AFDC benefits |
| WIC | 4.0 | Benefits: Received WIC benefits |
| SSI | 4.0 | Benefits: Received SSI benefits |
| GENERAL | 4.0 | Benefits: Received general assistance |
| OWELFARE | 4.0 | Benefits: Received any other type of welfare |
| HOUSING | 4.0 | Benefits: Received help for housing |
| MEDATTN | 4.0 | Benefits: Received help for medical attention |
| CLINIC | 4.0 | Benefits: Visited free of charge clinic |
| OTHHELP | 4.0 | Benefits: Received any other type of help |
| DOCTOR | 4.0 | Health: Visited a doctor |
| HOSPITAL | 4.0 | Health: Visited a hospital |
| EMERGENC | 4.0 | Health: Visited an emergency room |
| HLTHPMT# | 4.0 | Health: Who paid health bill (1 – 4) |

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| <i>Identifier Information</i> | | | |
| COUNTRY | Country of focus | 10 | El Salvador |
| COMMUN | Community number | | (See Appendix A for codes and descriptions) |
| SURVEYPL | Place of survey | 1 2 | Home country US community |
| 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 | Weight |
| <i>Background Information:</i> | | | |
| SEX | Sex | 1 2 | Male Female |
| YRBORN | Year of birth | yyyy | Year |
| AGE | Age | nn | Age in years |
| STATEBRN | Place of birth: Departament / State | | (See Appendix C for State codes) |
| PLACEBRN | Place of birth: Municipio / Place | 9999 | (See Appendix B for Place codes) Unknown |

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| Variable | Label | Value | Definition |
|-----------------|---|--------------|---|
| 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 |
| WAGE | Wage (for last formal job in El Salvador) | nnn.nn | Amount |
| | | 0 | Never employed for wages in El Salvador |
| | | 9999 | Unknown |
| BY | Wage unit | 1 | Hour |
| | | 2 | Day |
| | | 3 | Week |
| | | 4 | Biweekly |
| | | 5 | Month |
| | | 6 | Year |
| | | 8888 | Never employed for wages in El Salvador |
| 9999 | Unknown | | |
| CURRENCY | Currency of last formal job in El Salvador | 1 | Dollar |
| | | 2 | Colon |
| | | 8888 | Never employed for wages in El Salvador |
| | | 9999 | Unknown |
| PENSION | Has pension? | 1 | Yes |
| | | 2 | No |
| YRPENS | Year pension started | yyyy | Year |

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|---------------------------|--|--------------|--|
| | | 8888 | Never employed for wages in El Salvador |
| CTRPENS | Country of pension | | |
| | | 204 | U.S. |
| | | 212 | El Salvador |
| | | 8888 | N/A (No pension / Not household head / spouse) |
| Health Information | | | |
| HEIGHT | Health: Height (meters) | | |
| | | n.nn | Height in meters |
| KGS | Health: Weight (kilos) | | |
| | | nnn.nn | Weight in kilos |
| | | 9999 | Unknown |
| SMOKES | Health: Currently smokes? | | |
| | | 1 | Yes |
| | | 2 | No |
| SMOKED | Health: Smoked before? | | |
| | | 1 | Yes |
| | | 2 | No |
| 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 |
| HEALTHLY | Health: Quality of health last year | | |
| | | 1 | Poor |
| | | 2 | Regular |
| | | 3 | Good |
| | | 4 | Excellent |
| HEALTHNW | Health: Current quality of health | | |
| | | 1 | Poor |

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| Variable | Label | Value | Definition |
|-----------------|--|--------------|-------------------|
| | | 2 | Regular |
| | | 3 | Good |
| | | 4 | Excellent |
| HYPERTEN | Health: Has/had hypertension or high blood pressure? | 1 | Yes |
| | | 2 | No |
| SUGAR | Health: Has/had diabetes or high sugar levels? | 1 | Yes |
| | | 2 | No |
| HEART | Health: Has/had heart attack or heart problems? | 1 | Yes |
| | | 2 | No |
| BRAIN | Health: Has suffered a stroke? | 1 | Yes |
| | | 2 | No |
| LUNG | Health: Has/had chronic lung conditions? | 1 | Yes |
| | | 2 | No |
| NERVES | Health: Has/had emotional, nerves, or psychiatric problems? | 1 | Yes |
| | | 2 | No |
| CANCER | Health: Has/had cancer or malignant tumor? | 1 | Yes |
| | | 2 | No |
| DISABLED | Health: Is physically disabled? | 1 | Yes |
| | | 2 | No |
| CAUSE | Health: Cause of illness? | 1 | Accident |
| | | 2 | War |
| | | 3 | Work |
| | | 4 | Allergies |
| | | 5 | High cholesterol |
| | | 6 | Arthritis |

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|------------------------------------|--|--------------|--|
| | | 7 | Ulcer |
| | | 8 | Kidney failure |
| | | 9 | Paralyzed |
| | | 10 | Witchcraft |
| | | 8888 | N/A (Suffers no illness) |
| | | 9999 | Unknown |
| US Migration Experience | | | |
| USYR1 - USYRL | First/last U.S. mig: Year | yyyy | Year |
| USDUR1 - USDURL | First/last U.S. mig: Duration (in months) | nnn | Number of months |
| USDOC1 - USDOCL | First/last U.S. mig: Documentation used | 1 | Legal resident |
| | | 2 | Contract – Bracero (1942-1964) |
| | | 3 | Contract - H2A/H2B (agricultural) |
| | | 4 | Temporary: Worker |
| | | 5 | Temporary: Tourist/visitor |
| | | 6 | Citizen |
| | | 8 | Undocumented (includes false documents) |
| | | 9 | Refugee / asylum |
| | | 10 | TPS – Temporary Protected Status |
| | | 11 | NACARA – Nicaraguan Adjustment and Central American Relief Act |
| | | 12 | Permit through the spouse |
| | | 13 | Other |
| USSTATE1 - USSTATEL | First/last U.S. mig: State of residence | | (See Appendix C for country codes) |
| USPLACE1 – USPLACEL | First/last U.S. mig: City of residence | | (See Appendix B for place codes) |
| | | 9999 | Unknown |
| USMAR1 - USMARL | First/last U.S. mig: Married | 1 | Yes |
| | | 2 | No |
| USOCC1 - USOCCL | First/last US mig: Occupation | | (See Appendix D for occupation codes) |
| | | 9999 | Unknown |

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| USWAGE1 - USWAGEL | First/last U.S. mig: Wage | nnn.dd | Amount |
| | | 9999 | Unknown |
| | | | |
| USBY1 - USBYL | First/last U.S. mig: Frequency of wages | 1 | Hour |
| | | 2 | Day |
| | | 3 | Week |
| | | 4 | Biweekly |
| | | 5 | Month |
| | | 6 | Year |
| | | 9999 | Unknown |
| USCURTRP | Currently on last U.S. migration | 1 | Yes (has not returned) |
| | | 2 | No (has returned) |
| | | | |
| USTRIPS | Total number of U.S. trips | nnn | Number of U.S. trips |
| | | | |
| USEXP | Total months of experience in the U.S. | nnn | Number of months |
| | | | |
| USHEALTH | Quality of health prior to U.S. migration | 1 | Poor |
| | | 2 | Regular |
| | | 3 | Good |
| | | 4 | Excellent |
| | | 9999 | Unknown |
| ESHEALTH | Quality of health after U.S. migration | 1 | Poor |
| | | 2 | Regular |
| | | 3 | Good |
| | | 4 | Excellent |
| | | 9999 | Unknown |
| LEGYRAPP | Legalization: Year of residency application | yyyy | Year |
| | | 8888 | N/A (never migrated abroad / never applied) |
| | | 9999 | Unknown |
| | | | |

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|--|---|--------------|--|
| LEGYRREC | Legalization: Year of residency received | yyyy | Year |
| | | 8888 | N/A (never migrated abroad / never applied) |
| | | 9999 | Unknown |
| | | | |
| LEGSPON | Legalization: Sponsor | 1 | Spouse |
| | | 2 | Child |
| | | 3 | Parent |
| | | 4 | Sibling |
| | | 5 | Amnesty (Rodino/IRCA: 1987-1989) |
| | | 6 | Special Agricultural Workers (SAW) |
| | | 7 | Employer |
| | | 8 | TPS – Temporary Protected Status |
| | | 9 | NACARA – Nicaraguan Adjustment and Central American Relief Act |
| | | 10 | Other |
| | | 8888 | N/A (never migrated abroad / never applied) |
| 9999 | Unknown | | |
| CITYRAPP | Citizenship: Year of application | yyyy | Year |
| | | 8888 | N/A (never migrated abroad / never applied) |
| | | 9999 | Unknown |
| | | | |
| CITYRREC | Citizenship: Year received | yyyy | Year |
| | | 8888 | N/A (never migrated abroad / never applied) |
| | | 9999 | Unknown |
| | | | |
| Illegal Border Crossing Information (1-6) | | | |
| CRSYR# | Crossing #; Year | yyyy | Year |
| | | 8888 | N/A (no illegal crossings) |
| | | 9999 | Unknown |
| | | | |
| CRSCTR# | Crossing #: Country of destination | 204 | U.S. |
| | | 8888 | N/A (no illegal crossings) |
| | | | |
| CRSBY# | Crossing #: Crossed by | 1 | Land |
| | | 2 | Air |
| | | | |

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|-----------------|---|--------------|----------------------------------|
| | | 3 | Sea |
| | | 8888 | N/A (no illegal crossings) |
| | | 9999 | Unknown |
| CRSGUST# | Crossing #: Border crossing state in Guatemala | | (See Appendix C for State codes) |
| | | 8888 | N/A (no illegal crossings) |
| | | 9999 | Unknown |
| CRSGUPL# | Crossing # Border crossing place in Guatemala | | (See Appendix B for place codes) |
| | | 8888 | N/A (no illegal crossings) |
| | | 9999 | Unknown |
| CRSMXST# | Crossing #: Border crossing state in Mexico | | (See Appendix C for State codes) |
| | | 8888 | N/A (no illegal crossings) |
| | | 9999 | Unknown |
| CRSMXPL# | Crossing #: Border crossing place in Mexico | | (See Appendix B for place codes) |
| | | 8888 | N/A (no illegal crossings) |
| | | 9999 | Unknown |
| CRSOTST# | Crossing #: Border crossing state in other country | | (See Appendix C for State codes) |
| | | 8888 | N/A (no illegal countries) |
| | | 9999 | Unknown |
| CRSOTPL# | Crossing #: Border crossing place in other country | | (See Appendix B for place codes) |
| | | 8888 | N/A (no illegal countries) |
| | | 9999 | Unknown |
| CRSWHOM# | Crossing #: With whom? | | |
| | | 1 | Alone |
| | | 2 | With family |
| | | 3 | With friends |
| | | 4 | With family and friends |
| | | 5 | With unknown people |
| | | 8888 | N/A (no illegal countries) |
| | | 9999 | Unknown |

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|-----------------|---|--------------|---|
| CRSCOY# | Crossing #: Coyote used? | 1 | Yes |
| | | 2 | No |
| | | 8888 | N/A (no illegal crossings) |
| | | 9999 | |
| | | | |
| CRSHIRE# | Crossing #: How was coyote hired? | 1 | Alone |
| | | 2 | Through family |
| | | 3 | Through friends |
| | | 4 | Enganchadores |
| | | 5 | Other |
| | | 8888 | N/A (no illegal crossings) |
| | | 9999 | Unknown |
| CRSCST# | Crossing #: Cost of coyote | nnn.dd | Payment amount (dollars) |
| | | 8888 | N/A (no illegal crossings / did not use coyote) |
| | | 9999 | Unknown |
| | | | |
| CRSPAY# | Crossing #: Who paid Coyote | 1 | Self |
| | | 2 | Family |
| | | 3 | Employer |
| | | 4 | Friends |
| | | 5 | Other |
| | | 8888 | N/A (no illegal crossings) |
| | | 9999 | Unknown |
| CRSHWPD# | Crossing #: How was coyote paid? | 1 | Self |
| | | 2 | Family |
| | | 3 | Employer |
| | | 4 | Friends |
| | | 5 | Other |
| | | 8888 | N/A (no illegal crossings) |
| | | 9999 | Unknown |
| CRSDEP# | Crossing #: Number of deportations | nnn | Number times deported during that attempt |
| | | 8888 | N/A (no illegal crossings) |
| | | 9999 | Unknown |
| | | | |

MIG Data File: Variable Codes

| Variable | Label | Value | Definition |
|---|--|--------------|--|
| CRSDCTR# | Crossing #: Country of deportations | 204 | U.S. |
| | | 8888 | N/A (no illegal crossings / no deportations) |
| | | 9999 | Unknown |
| | | | |
| CRSYES# | Crossing #: Successful | 1 | Yes |
| | | 2 | No |
| | | 8888 | N/A (no illegal crossings) |
| | | 9999 | Unknown |
| | | | |
| <i>Migratory experience of family-of-origin (of household head):</i> | | | |
| MOMGYR | Mother: Year of first US migration | yyyy | Year |
| | | 8888 | N/A (never migrated) |
| | | 9999 | Unknown |
| | | | |
| MOGREE | Mother: Green card? | 1 | Yes |
| | | 2 | No |
| | | 8888 | N/A (never migrated) |
| | | | |
| MOYRGR | Mother: Year received green card | yyyy | Year |
| | | 8888 | N/A (never migrated) |
| | | 9999 | Unknown |
| | | | |
| MOLIVE | Mother: Still living | 1 | Yes |
| | | 2 | No |
| | | 8888 | N/A (never migrated) |
| | | | |
| MOUSNW | Mother: Currently resides in U.S. | 1 | Yes |
| | | 2 | No |
| | | 8888 | N/A (never migrated) |
| | | 9999 | Unknown |
| | | | |
| MOUSST | Mother: State of U.S. residence | | (See Appendix C for place codes) |
| | | 8888 | N/A (never migrated / not a US resident) |
| | | | |

MIG Data File: Variable Codes

| Variable | Label | Value | Definition |
|-----------------|---|--------------|--|
| MOUSPL | Mother: Place of U.S. residence | | (See Appendix B for occupation codes) |
| | | 8888 | N/A (never migrated / not a US resident) |
| | | 9999 | Unknown |
| FAMGYR | Father: Year of first US migration | yyyy | Year |
| | | 8888 | N/A (never migrated) |
| | | 9999 | Unknown |
| FAGREE | Father: Green card? | 1 | Yes |
| | | 2 | No |
| | | 8888 | N/A (never migrated) |
| FAYRGR | Father: Year received green card | yyyy | Year |
| | | 8888 | N/A (never migrated) |
| | | 9999 | Unknown |
| FALIVE | Father: Still living | 1 | Yes |
| | | 2 | No |
| | | 8888 | N/A (never migrated) |
| | | 9999 | Unknown |
| FAUSNW | Father: Currently resides in U.S. | 1 | Yes |
| | | 2 | No |
| | | 8888 | N/A (never migrated) |
| FAUSST | Father: State of U.S. residence | | (See Appendix C for place codes) |
| | | 8888 | N/A (never migrated / not a US resident) |
| FAUSPL | Father: Place of U.S. residence | | (See Appendix B for occupation codes) |
| | | 8888 | N/A (never migrated / not a US resident) |
| | | 9999 | Unknown |
| SBSEX# | Sibling #: Sex | 1 | Male |

MIG Data File: Variable Codes

| Variable | Label | Value | Definition |
|-----------------|--|--------------|--|
| | | 2 | Female |
| | | 8888 | N/A (no sibling / never migrated) |
| | | 9999 | Unknown |
| SBMGYR# | Sibling #: Year of first US migration | | |
| | | yyyy | Year |
| | | 8888 | N/A (no sibling / never migrated) |
| | | 9999 | Unknown |
| SBGREE# | Sibling #: Green card? | | |
| | | 1 | Yes |
| | | 2 | No |
| | | 8888 | N/A (no sibling / never migrated) |
| | | 9999 | Unknown |
| SBYRGR# | Sibling #: Year received green card | | |
| | | yyyy | Year |
| | | 8888 | N/A (no sibling / never migrated) |
| | | 9999 | Unknown |
| SBLIVE# | Sibling #: Still living | | |
| | | 1 | Yes |
| | | 2 | No |
| | | 8888 | N/A (no sibling / never migrated) |
| | | 9999 | Unknown |
| SBUSNW# | Sibling #: Currently resides in U.S. | | |
| | | 1 | Yes |
| | | 2 | No |
| | | 8888 | N/A (no sibling / never migrated) |
| | | 9999 | Unknown |
| SBUSST# | Sibling #: State of U.S. residence | | |
| | | | (See Appendix C for place codes) |
| | | 8888 | N/A (never migrated / not a US resident) |
| SBUSPL# | Sibling #: Place of U.S. residence | | |
| | | | (See Appendix B for occupation codes) |
| | | 8888 | N/A (never migrated / not a US resident) |
| | | 9999 | Unknown |

MIG Data File: Variable Codes

| Variable | Label | Value | Definition |
|--|--|--------------|-------------------|
| <i>US Migration Experience among Head's Extended Family and Friends:</i> | | | |
| UNCINUS | Uncles/aunts: Number currently in US | nn | Number |
| UNCEVUS | Uncles/aunts: Number ever been to US | nn | Number |
| COINUS | Cousins: Number currently in US | nn | Number |
| COEVUS | Cousins: Number ever been to US | nn | Number |
| NEINUS | Nieces/nephews: Number currently in US | nn 9999 | Number Unknown |
| NEEVUS | Nieces/nephews: Number ever been to US | nn 9999 | Number Unknown |
| SBILINUS | Siblings-in-law: Number currently in US | nn 9999 | Number Unknown |
| SBILEVUS | Siblings-in-law: Number ever been to US | nn 9999 | Number Unknown |
| CHILINUS | Children-in-law: Number currently in US | nn | Number |
| CHILEVUS | Children-in-law: Number ever been to US | nn | Number |
| PILINUS | Parents-in-law: Number currently in US | nn | Number |
| PILEVUS | Parents-in-law: Number ever been to US | nn | Number |

MIG Data File: Variable Codes

| Variable | Label | Value | Definition |
|---|--|-------------------------------|--|
| FRINUS | Friends: Number currently in US | nn | Number |
| FREVUS | Friends: Number ever been to US | nn | Number |
| EXINUS | Ex-Spouse: Number currently in US | nn | Number |
| EXEVUS | Ex-Spouse: Number ever been to US | nn | Number |
| <i>Last US Visit: Social Characteristics</i> | | | |
| RELTRIP | Relations: Contacted Relatives | 1 2 9999 | Yes No Unknown |
| PAISTRIP | Relations: Contacted home-community members? | 1 2 9999 | Yes No Unknown |
| SPORT | Relations: Participated in a sports organization? | 1 2 9999 | Yes No Unknown |
| SOCIAL | Relations: Participated in a social organization | 1 2 9999 | Yes No Unknown |
| GUANACO | Relations: With Salvadorians | 0 1 2 3 4 9999 | None Workplace only Friendship Very Close Other Unknown |

MIG Data File: Variable Codes

| Variable | Label | Value | Definition |
|-----------------|--|--------------|-----------------------------------|
| BLACKS | Relations: With African Americans | 0 | None |
| | | 1 | Workplace only |
| | | 2 | Friendship |
| | | 3 | Very Close |
| | | 4 | Other |
| | | 9999 | Unknown |
| ASIANS | Relations: With Asians | 0 | None |
| | | 1 | Workplace only |
| | | 2 | Friendship |
| | | 3 | Very Close |
| | | 4 | Other |
| | | 9999 | Unknown |
| ANGLOS | Relations: With Anglos | 0 | None |
| | | 1 | Workplace only |
| | | 2 | Friendship |
| | | 3 | Very Close |
| | | 4 | Other |
| | | 9999 | Unknown |
| LODGING | Relations: Lodging from whom upon arrival | 1 | Fellow home-community member |
| | | 2 | Friend |
| | | 3 | Employer |
| | | 4 | Relative |
| | | 6 | Did not need it/ no one |
| | | 7 | Other |
| | | 9999 | Unknown |
| ENGLISH | Relations: English 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 |
| | | 4 | Speak and understand much |
| | | 9999 | Unknown |
| ENGHOME | Relations: English use at home | 1 | None |

MIG Data File: Variable Codes

| Variable | Label | Value | Definition |
|---|---|--------------|---|
| | | 2 | Sometimes |
| | | 3 | Often |
| | | 4 | Always |
| | | 9999 | Unknown |
| ENGWORK | Relations: English use at work | | |
| | | 1 | None |
| | | 2 | Sometimes |
| | | 3 | Often |
| | | 4 | Always |
| | | 9999 | Unknown |
| | | . | Communities 1 – 52 |
| ENGFRND | Relations: English use among friends | | |
| | | 1 | None |
| | | 2 | Sometimes |
| | | 3 | Often |
| | | 4 | Always |
| | | 9999 | Unknown |
| ENGNEIG | Relations: English use in neighborhood | | |
| | | 1 | None |
| | | 2 | Sometimes |
| | | 3 | Often |
| | | 4 | Always |
| | | 9999 | Unknown |
| <i>Last US Visit: Social Characteristics</i> | | | |
| HOWJOB | 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 |
| | | 9999 | Unknown |
| HRWAGE | Employment: Hourly wage | | |
| | | nnn.dd | Hourly wage (dollars) |

MIG Data File: Variable Codes

| Variable | Label | Value | Definition |
|-----------------|---|--------------|---|
| | | 9999 | Unknown |
| HRWEEK | Employment: Usual hours worked per week | nnn | Number of hours |
| | | 9999 | Unknown |
| MONSYR | Employment: Usual months worked per year | nn | Number of months |
| | | 9999 | Unknown |
| HOWPAID | Employment: How wages paid | 1 | By check |
| | | 2 | By cash |
| | | 9999 | Unknown |
| SSTAX | Employment: Social Security taxes withheld | 1 | Yes |
| | | 2 | No |
| | | 9999 | Unknown |
| FEDTX | Employment: Federal taxes withheld | 1 | Yes |
| | | 2 | No |
| | | 9999 | Unknown |
| HOWJOBS | Spouse's 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 (no job last US visit) |
| | | 9999 | Unknown |
| HRWAGES | Spouse's employment: Hourly wage | nnn.dd | Hourly wage (dollars) |
| | | 8888 | N/A (no job last US visit) |
| | | 9999 | Unknown |

MIG Data File: Variable Codes

| Variable | Label | Value | Definition |
|-----------------------|--|--------------|----------------------------|
| HRWEEKS | Spouse's employment: Usual hours worked per week | nnn | Number of hours |
| | | 8888 | N/A (no job last US visit) |
| | | 9999 | Unknown |
| | | | |
| MONSYRS | Spouse's employment: Usual months worked per year | nn | Number of months |
| | | 8888 | N/A (no job last US visit) |
| | | 9999 | Unknown |
| | | | |
| HOWPAIDS | Spouse's employment: How wages paid | 1 | By check |
| | | 2 | By cash |
| | | 8888 | N/A (no job last US visit) |
| | | 9999 | Unknown |
| SSTAXS | Spouse's employment: Social Security taxes withheld | 1 | Yes |
| | | 2 | No |
| | | 8888 | N/A (no job last US visit) |
| | | 9999 | Unknown |
| FEDTXS | Spouse's employment: Federal taxes withheld | 1 | Yes |
| | | 2 | No |
| | | 8888 | N/A (no job last US visit) |
| | | 9999 | Unknown |
| ROWNER-ROWNERS | Employment: Race of head's / spouse's employer | 1 | Anglo |
| | | 2 | African-American |
| | | 3 | Asian |
| | | 4 | Chicano |
| | | 5 | Salvadorian |
| | | 6 | Other Latino |
| | | 7 | Other |
| | | 8 | Company |
| | | 8888 | N/A (no job last US visit) |
| 9999 | Unknown | | |
| RSUPER-RSUPERS | Employment: Race of head's / spouse's supervisor | 1 | Anglo |
| | | 2 | African-American |

MIG Data File: Variable Codes

| Variable | Label | Value | Definition |
|-----------------|--------------|--------------|----------------------------|
| | | 3 | Asian |
| | | 4 | Chicano |
| | | 5 | Mexican |
| | | 6 | Other Latino |
| | | 7 | Other |
| | | 8 | Company |
| | | 8888 | N/A (no job last US visit) |
| | | 9999 | Unknown |

Last US Visit: Financial Characteristics

| | | | |
|----------------|--|------|------------------------------|
| FINHELP | Finances: Who provided financial help | | |
| | | 1 | Fellow home-community member |
| | | 2 | Friend |
| | | 3 | Employer |
| | | 4 | Relative |
| | | 5 | Bank |
| | | 6 | Did not need it / no one |
| | | 7 | Other |
| | | 9999 | Unknown |

| | | | |
|-------------|--------------------------------------|------|---------|
| BANK | 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 (dollars) |
| | | 9999 | Unknown |

| | | | |
|-------------|--|--------|------------------|
| FOOD | Finances: Food budget per month | | |
| | | nnn.dd | Amount (dollars) |
| | | 9999 | Unknown |

MIG Data File: Variable Codes

| Variable | Label | Value | Definition |
|----------------------------|---|--------------|---------------------------------|
| REMIT | Finances: Average monthly remittances | nnn.dd | Amount (dollars) |
| | | 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 |
| | | 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 |
| | 9999 | Unknown | |
| REMMCOMM | Finances: Average monthly remittances to community | nnn.dd | Amount (dollars) |
| | | 9999 | Unknown |
| | | | |
| REMMCOMM1-REMMCOMM5 | Finances: Purpose of remittance to community (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 |

MIG Data File: Variable Codes

| Variable | Label | Value | Definition |
|--|---|--------------|--|
| | | 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 (dollars) |
| | | 9999 | Unknown |
| SAVRETRN | Finances: Savings brought to El Salvador | | |
| | | nnn.dd | Amount (dollars) |
| | | 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 remittance / no additional remittance) |
| | | 9999 | Unknown |
| Last US Visit: Public Benefits and Assistance | | | |
| SCHOOLS | Benefits: Children in public Schools | | |
| | | 1 | Yes |
| | | 2 | No |
| | | 9999 | Unknown |
| UNEMP | Benefits: Received unemployment compensation | | |
| | | 1 | Yes |

MIG Data File: Variable Codes

| Variable | Label | Value | Definition |
|-----------------|--|--------------|-----------------------------------|
| | | 2 | No |
| | | 9999 | Unknown |
| FOODST | Benefits: Received Food Stamps | | |
| | | 1 | Yes |
| | | 2 | No |
| WELFARE | Benefits: Received any welfare (all types) | | |
| | | 1 | Yes |
| | | 2 | No |
| | | 9999 | Unknown |
| AFDC | Benefits: Received AFDC benefits | | |
| | | 1 | Yes |
| | | 2 | No |
| | | 8888 | N/A (Did not receive any benefit) |
| WIC | Benefits: Received WIC benefits | | |
| | | 1 | Yes |
| | | 2 | No |
| | | 8888 | N/A (Did not receive any benefit) |
| SSI | Benefits: Received SSI benefits | | |
| | | 1 | Yes |
| | | 2 | No |
| | | 8888 | N/A (Did not receive any benefit) |
| GENERAL | Benefits: Received general assistance | | |
| | | 1 | Yes |
| | | 2 | No |
| | | 8888 | N/A (Did not receive any benefit) |
| OWELFARE | Benefits: Received other type of welfare | | |
| | | 1 | Yes |
| | | 2 | No |
| | | 8888 | N/A (Did not receive any benefit) |
| HOUSING | Benefits: Received help for housing | | |
| | | 1 | Yes |
| | | 2 | No |
| MEDATTN | Benefits: Received help for medical attention | | |
| | | 1 | Yes |

MIG Data File: Variable Codes

| Variable | Label | Value | Definition |
|--------------------------|--|--------------|-----------------------------|
| | | 2 | No |
| CLINIC | Benefits: Visited free of charge clinic | 1 | Yes |
| | | 2 | No |
| OTHHHELP | Benefits: Received other type of help | 1 | Yes |
| | | 2 | No |
| DOCTOR | Health: Visited a doctor | 1 | Yes |
| | | 2 | No |
| | | 9999 | Unknown |
| HOSPITAL | Health: Visited a hospital | 1 | Yes |
| | | 2 | No |
| | | 9999 | Unknown |
| EMERGENC | Health: Visited an emergency room | 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 |