

MIGCROTHER data file: Variable list and specifications

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)
PERSNUM	4.0	Person number (within household)
HHEMSHP	4.0	Household membership
Sample-specific weight:		
WEIGHT	6.2	Weight
Background information:		
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
WAGE	8.2	Wage (for last formal job in Nicaragua)
BY	4.0	Wage unit
Migration Experience to Costa Rica:		
CRYR1	4.0	First CR mig: Year
CRDUR1	4.0	First CR mig: Duration (in months)
CRSTUD1	4.0	First CR mig: Studied?
CRSTATE1	4.0	First CR mig: State of residence
CRPLACE1	4.0	First CR mig: City of residence
CRMAR1	4.0	First CR mig: Married
CROCC1	4.0	First CR mig: Occupation
CRWAGE1	8.2	First CR mig: Wage (colones)
CRWBY1	4.0	First CR mig: Frequency of wages
CRWAGE1Y	4.0	First CR mig: Wage year
CRYRL	4.0	Last CR mig: Year
CRDURL	4.0	Last CR mig: Duration (in months)
CRSTUDL	4.0	Last CR mig: Studied?
CRSTATEL	4.0	Last CR mig: State of residence
CRPLACEL	4.0	Last CR mig: City of residence
CRMARL	4.0	Last CR mig: Married
CROCCL	4.0	Last CR mig: Occupation
CRWAGEL	8.2	Last CR mig: Wage (dollars)
CRWBYL	4.0	Last CR mig: Frequency of wages
CRWAGE1Y	4.0	First CR mig: Wage year
CRCURTRP	4.0	Currently on last migration
CRTRIPS	4.0	Total number of migrations to Costa Rica
Last CR visit: Social characteristics		
RELCR	4.0	Relations: Lived with relatives

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Variable	Format	Label
PAISCR	4.0	Relations: Lived with Community members
SPORTCR	4.0	Relations: Participated in sports organization
SOCIALCR	4.0	Relations: Participated in social organization
NICAS	4.0	Relations: With Nicaraguans
TICOS	4.0	Relations: With Costa Ricans
LODGCR	4.0	Relations: Lodging from whom upon arrival

Last CR visit: Employment characteristics

HOWJCR	4.0	Employment: How job was obtained
SSTAXCR	4.0	Employment: Social Security taxes withheld
FINHLPCR	4.0	Finances: Who provided financial help
RENTCR	8.2	Finances: Rent per month
FOODCR	8.2	Finances: Food budget per month
REMITCR	8.2	Finances: Average monthly remittances
REMITCR1	4.0	Finances: Purpose of remittance (1)
REMITCR2	4.0	Finances: Purpose of remittance (2)
REMITCR3	4.0	Finances: Purpose of remittance (3)
REMITCR4	4.0	Finances: Purpose of remittance (4)
REMITCR5	4.0	Finances: Purpose of remittance (5)
SAVECR	8.2	Finances: Average monthly savings
SAVRETCR	8.2	Finances: Savings brought to Nicaragua
SAVECR1	4.0	Finances: Purpose of savings (1)
SAVECR2	4.0	Finances: Purpose of savings (2)
SAVECR3	4.0	Finances: Purpose of savings (3)
SAVECR4	4.0	Finances: Purpose of savings (4)
SAVECR5	4.0	Finances: Purpose of savings (5)

Last CR Visit: Public Benefits and Assistance

SCHOOLCR	4.0	Benefits: Kids in public schools
WELFCR	4.0	Benefits: Received any welfare (all types)
DOCTORCR	4.0	Health: Visited a doctor
HOSPCR	4.0	Health: Visited a hospital
HLTHPCR1	4.0	Health: Who paid health bill (1)
HLTHPCR2	4.0	Health: Who paid health bill (2)
HLTHPCR3	4.0	Health: Who paid health bill (3)
HLTHPCR4	4.0	Health: Who paid health bill (4)

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Variable	Label	Value	Definition
Identifier information:			
COUNTRY	Country of focus	1	Mexico
		2	Puerto Rico
		3	Dominican Republic
		4	Nicaragua
		5	Costa Rica
		6	Peru
		7	Haiti
COMMUN	Community number		(See Appendix A for codes and descriptions)
SURVEYPL	Place of survey	1	Home country
		2	US community
SURVEYYR	Year of survey		(See Appendix A for survey periods)
		yyyy	Year
HHNUM	Household number (within community)	nnnn	Number of household
PERSNUM	Person number (within household)	nnnn	Number of person
HHMEMSHP	Household membership	1	Member of other household
		1	Member of sample household
Sample-specific weight:			
WEIGHT	Weight	nnn.nn	Weight
Background information:			
SEX	Sex	1	Male
		2	Female
		9999	Unknown
YRBORN	Year of birth	yyyy	Year
		9999	Unknown
AGE	Age	nnn	Age in years
		9999	Unknown
STATEBRN	State of birth		(See Appendix C for State codes)
		9999	Unknown

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Variable	Label	Value	Definition
PLACEBRN	Place of birth		(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
		9999	Unknown
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 Nicaragua)	nnn.nn	Wage amount (in cordobas)
		0	Never employed for wages in Nicaragua
		9999	Unknown
BY	Wage unit	1	Hour
		2	Day
		3	Week
		4	Biweekly
		5	Month
		6	Year
		9999	Unknown
Migration Experience to Costa Rica:			
CRYR1-CRYRL	First/last CR mig: Year	yyyy	Year
		9999	Unknown
CRDUR1-CRDURL	First/last CR mig: Duration (in months)	nnn	Number of months
		9999	Unknown
CRSTUD1-CRSTUDL	First/last CR mig: Studied?	1	Yes
		2	No
		8888	N/A
		9999	Unknown
CRSTATE1-CRSTATEL	First/last CR mig: State of residence		(See Appendix C for State codes)
		9999	Unknown

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Variable	Label	Value	Definition
CRPLACE1-CRPLACEL	First/last CR mig: City of residence		(See Appendix B for Place codes)
		9999	Unknown
CRMAR1-CRMARL	First/last CR mig: Married	1	Yes
		2	No
		9999	Unknown
CROCC1-CROCCL	First/last CR mig: Occupation		(See Appendix D for occupation codes)
		9999	Unknown
CRWAGE1-CRWAGEL	First/last CR mig: Wage (colones)	nnn.dd	Amount
		8888	N/A (not employed for wages)
		9999	Unknown
CRWB1-CRWBYL	First/last CR 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		
CRCURTRP	Currently on last CR migration	1	Yes (has not returned)
		2	No (has returned)
		9999	Unknown
CRTRIPS	Total number of CR migrations	nnn	Number of visits made to the United States
		9999	Unknown
Last CR visit: Social characteristics			
RELRCR	Relations: Contacted Relatives?	1	Yes
		2	No
		9999	Unknown
PAISCR	Relations: Contacted home-community members?	1	Yes
		2	No
		9999	Unknown
SPORTCR	Relations: Participated in a sports organization	1	Yes
		2	No
		9999	Unknown
SOCIALCR	Relations: Participated in a social organization	1	Yes
		2	No
		9999	Unknown

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Variable	Label	Value	Definition
NICAS	Relations: With Nicaraguans		
		0	None
		1	Workplace only
		2	Friendship
		3	Very close
		4	Other
	9999	Unknown	
TICOS	Relations: With Costa Ricans		
		0	None
		1	Workplace only
		2	Friendship
		3	Very close
		4	Other
	9999	Unknown	
LODGCR	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	
Last CR visit: Employment characteristics (Head only)			
HOWCR	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 employment agency
		9	"Pick-up" on street corner
	8888	N/A (no job last CR visit)	
	9999	Unknown	
SSTAX	Employment: Social Security taxes withheld		
		1	Yes
		2	No
		8888	N/A (no job last CR visit)
	9999	Unknown	
Last CR visit: Financial characteristics			
FINHLPCR	Finances: Who provided financial help		
		1	Fellow home-community member
		2	Friend
		3	Employer
		4	Relative
		5	Bank
		6	No need
		7	Other
	9999	Unknown	

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Variable	Label	Value	Definition
RENTCR	Finances: Rent per month		
		nnn.dd	Amount (colones)
		9999	Unknown
FOODCR	Finances: Food budget per month		
		nnn.dd	Amount (colones)
		9999	Unknown
REMITCR	Finances: Average monthly remittances		
		nnn.dd	Amount (colones)
		9999	Unknown
REMITCR1-REMITCR5	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	N/A (no remittance/no additional remittance)	
	9999	Unknown	
SAVECR	Finances: Average monthly savings		
		nnn.dd	Amount (colones)
		9999	Unknown
SAVRETCR	Finances: Savings brought to Nicaragua		
		nnn.dd	Amount (colones)
		9999	Unknown
SAVECR1-SAVECR5	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

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Variable	Label	Value	Definition
		8888	N/A (no savings/no additional savings)
		9999	Unknown
Last CR Visit: Public Benefits and Assistance			
SCHOOCR	Benefits: Kids in public schools		
		1	Yes
		2	No
		9999	Unknown
WELFCR	Benefits: Received any welfare (all types)		
		1	Yes
		2	No
		9999	Unknown
DOCTORCR	Health: Visited a doctor		
		1	Yes
		2	No
		9999	Unknown
HOSPCR	Health: Visited a hospital		
		1	Yes
		2	No
		9999	Unknown
HLTHPCR1-HLTHPCR4	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