HTOPS Household Pulse User Notes

Revision of HTOPS 2607 Data Tables

Date: November 12, 2026

Data users are advised that all ***HTOPS HPS 2607*** data tables and standard error tables have been replaced with new files to correct miscellaneous spelling or grammatical errors. Additionally, the following detailed and standard error data tables that were temporarily removed due to data errors have been replaced:

- Health Table 1. Current Health Insurance Status, by Select Characteristics
- Housing Table 3. Kept Home at Safe and Healthy Temperature on Hot Days This Summer, by Select Characteristics
- Transportation Table 3. Drove a Vehicle with Autonomous Features in the Last Week, by Select Characteristics.

Updated table specifications can be found on the Methodology webpage. The underlying data in the public-use file (PUF) are not affected.

Temporary Removal of Select HTOPS 2607 Data Tables

Date: October 30, 2026

Data users are advised that there was an error in the following detailed and standard error data tables:

- Health Table 1. Current Health Insurance Status, by Select Characteristics
- Housing Table 3. Kept Home at Safe and Healthy Temperature on Hot Days This Summer, by Select Characteristics.

As a result, the Health1 and Housing3 data tables have been temporarily removed and will be replaced with corrected data tables soon. The underlying data in the public-use file (PUF) are not affected.

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Temporary Removal of HTOPS 2607 Transportation Data Table

Date: October 7, 2026

Data users are advised that there was an error in the detailed and standard error data table titled, "Transportation Table 3. Drove a Vehicle with Autonomous Features in the Last Week, by Select Characteristics." As a result, the Transportation3 data table has been temporarily removed. It will be replaced with a corrected data table soon. The underlying data in the public-use file (PUF) are not affected.

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July 2026 Data Collection of HTOPS

Date: September 10, 2026

The Household Trends and Outlook Pulse Survey (HTOPS) questionnaire for July 2026 was administered between July 15, 2026, to August 3, 2026. Following the 'YYMM' naming convention for the HTOPS Household Pulse Survey (HPS) topical modules, the July 2026 collection is called ***HTOPS HPS 2607***.

The race and ethnicity variables have changed for the July 2026 data collection due to questionnaire changes. Data users are advised to refer to the questionnaire and data dictionary for more details.

Some survey variables have been recoded for disclosure avoidance purposes. Data users should be mindful of the potential differences between HTOPS topicals for survey items and consult the data dictionaries for each survey period for more detailed information.

Beginning in March 2026, HTOPS shifted to a cross-sectional design. The data, collected from about 136,000 households in July 2026, cover the nation, 4 Census Bureau regions, and the top 10 metropolitan statistical areas. Users can access the Source and Accuracy Statement for more information on the survey design.

Data products for this release include the Public Use File (PUF). HPS data users are advised to refer to the HPS Data webpage for these data products.

Users can access the July 2026 questionnaire, and all past questionnaires from HPS, on the Technical Documentation webpage.