

RELEASE NOTES: 2014 SIPP Wave 4

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The U.S. Census Bureau is releasing the initial version of public data from the reengineered Survey of Income and Program Participation (SIPP). This dataset contains variables from Wave 4 of the 2014 SIPP Panel. The SIPP is the Census Bureau's premier survey for measuring the dynamics of income, employment, health insurance, and participation in government transfer programs. The survey provides detailed, monthly information about the family, social, and economic contexts of individuals and households. SIPP is a longitudinal survey, following the same set of respondents over a four-year period, allowing researchers to understand how these contexts change over time.

Accompanying the data release are a number of supporting materials.

- (1) Metadata/data dictionary describing all of the available variables on the dataset.
- (2) An updated Users' Guide to assist data users as they begin using the file.
- (3) User notes describing nuances with the data and other minor issues to be aware of.
- (4) Crosswalks that map 2014 Wave 4 variables to their analogues in the 2008 SIPP, and vice versa.
- (5) Research briefs that illustrate important measures from the SIPP data.

These materials are available on the SIPP website (www.census.gov/sipp), as is other information about the survey and a link to download the data. Additional announcements, including notifications of version updates, will be made as necessary through the SIPP website and the SIPP email notification system. To be added to the SIPP email notification system, visit the "Contact Us" page on the SIPP website (<https://www.census.gov/programs-surveys/sipp/contact.html>).