

## Understanding Society User Support - Support #205

### Comparable health variables: BHPS-USoc

09/23/2013 04:39 PM - David Bayliss

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| <b>Status:</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | Closed                  | <b>Start date:</b>     | 09/23/2013 |
| <b>Priority:</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | Normal                  | <b>Due date:</b>       |            |
| <b>Assignee:</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | Redmine Admin           | <b>% Done:</b>         | 100%       |
| <b>Category:</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | Biomarkers and Genetics | <b>Estimated time:</b> | 0.00 hour  |
| <b>Target version:</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | X M                     |                        |            |
| <b>Description</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |                         |                        |            |
| Good afternoon,                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |                         |                        |            |
| As part of a longitudinal study using the BHPS cohort I am looking for health variables that are compatible across the BHPS and Understanding Society. I have so far found only the GHQ-12 measure of psychological morbidity, but I also need a measure of physical health/health conditions. I have searched through the questionnaires and found that the self-rated health measure and health conditions measures are incompatible. I have also looked for publications that have attempted to look at health outcomes using data from both the BHPS and USoc but I am unable to find any. Are you aware of either any measure of health that is comparable across surveys, or any papers that have manipulated the available variables to achieve better comparability? |                         |                        |            |
| Best wishes,<br>David Bayliss                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |                         |                        |            |

#### History

##### #1 - 10/22/2013 02:13 PM - Redmine Admin

- Status changed from New to In Progress
- % Done changed from 0 to 50

There is some overlap in the self-reported medical conditions, general health question/satisfaction and the SF12 is a subset of the SF36 carried on BHPS, but as you highlight there are assumptions and caveats that would have to be considered too. We are not aware of any published work on this transition to date.

Jakob

PS Apologies for taking so long to answer this request. The good news is that we will soon be able to release another wave's worth of data.

##### #2 - 10/28/2013 10:27 AM - Redmine Admin

- Status changed from In Progress to Closed
- % Done changed from 50 to 100

##### #3 - 11/10/2015 02:36 PM - Gundi Knies

- Assignee set to Redmine Admin
- Target version set to X M