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Medical Expenditure Panel Survey – Insurance Component

HEALTH INSURANCE COST STUDY

Government Unit Questionnaire

	Section C – RETIREE HEALTH (COVERAGE CHARACTERISTICS			
1.	Exclude any retirees that have coverage through COBRA or State Continuation-of-Benefits laws. See the Definition Sheet included with this package for an explanation of these terms. Did your government unit or some other government unit provide health insurance coverage to any person who retired from your government unit ON OR BEFORE December 31, 2002, or to any of their survivors?	Section 2 1 Section 2 1 Yes – This government unit – Continue with Question 2 4 Yes – Another government unit			
		Enter name of other government unit – Skip to Section D SKIP to Section D.			
	If COBRA was the only coverage offered mark "No".	3 ☐ Don't know			
2.	In 2002, what was the total number of retirees enrolled in health insurance through your government unit?	Total retirees			
	UNDER 65 YEARS OF AGE				
	Exclude any retirees that have coverage through COBRA or State Continuation-of-Benefits Laws.	 			
3a.	Were any of these retirees with coverage, reported in Question 2, under 65 years of age?	1 ☐ Yes – Continue with Question 3b 2 ☐ No – SKIP to Question 4a			
b.	What was the TOTAL number of retirees under 65 years of age enrolled in health insurance through your government unit in 2002?	Total retirees under 65 enrolled in health insurance			
C.	What percentage of those retirees were ENROLLED in SINGLE coverage?	Retirees under 65 enrolled in single coverage			
d.	For a typical plan in 2002, how much did the GOVERNMENT UNIT contribute toward the monthly plan premium for one typical retiree with SINGLE coverage?	\$, OOO Government unit contribution for single premium			
е.	For that same plan, what was the TOTAL monthly premium for this typical retiree with SINGLE coverage?	\$, Total single premium			
f.	For a typical plan in 2002, how much did the GOVERNMENT UNIT contribute toward the monthly plan premium for one typical retiree with FAMILY coverage?	\$, OOO Government unit contribution for family premium			
	For retirees, if premium varied by family size, report for a family of two.	 			
g.	For that same plan, what was the TOTAL monthly premium for this typical retiree with FAMILY coverage?	\$, 0 0 Total family premium			

	Section C - RETIREE HEALTH COVER	RAGE	CHARACTERISTICS - Continued
	AGE 65 YEARS OR OVER		
	Exclude any retirees that have coverage through COBRA or State Continuation-of-Benefits Laws.	 	
4a.	Were any of these retirees with coverage, reported in Question 2, 65 years of age or over?	629 	1 ☐ Yes – Continue with Question 4b 2 ☐ No – SKIP to Question 5a
b.	What was the TOTAL number of retirees 65 years or over enrolled in health insurance through your government unit in 2002?	578 	Total retirees 65 years or over enrolled in health insurance
C.	What percentage of those retirees were ENROLLED in SINGLE coverage?	 579 	% Retirees 65 years or over enrolled in single coverage
d.	For a typical plan in 2002, how much did the GOVERNMENT UNIT contribute toward the monthly plan premium for one typical retiree with SINGLE coverage?	580 1 	\$, O O Government unit contribution for single premium
e.	For that same plan, what was the TOTAL monthly premium for this typical retiree with SINGLE coverage?	 581 	\$, 0 0 Total single premium
f.	For a typical plan in 2002, how much did the GOVERNMENT UNIT contribute toward the monthly plan premium for one typical retiree with FAMILY coverage? For retirees, if premium varied by family size, report for a family of two.	 582 	\$, 0 0 Government unit contribution for family premium
g.	For that same plan, what was the TOTAL monthly premium for this typical retiree with FAMILY coverage?	 583 	\$, 0 0 Total family premium
	NEW RETIREES		
	Exclude any retirees that have coverage through COBRA or State Continuation-of-Benefits Laws.	 	
	For Questions 5a through 5c, NEW RETIREES refers only to persons who retired from your government unit in 2002.	 	
5a.	Did your government unit offer health insurance to any NEW RETIREES?	630 	Yes – Continue with Question 5b No Don't know SKIP to Section D
b.	Were NEW RETIREES under 65 years of age eligible for health insurance?	 631 	1 ☐ Yes 2 ☐ No 3 ☐ Don't know
C.	Were NEW RETIREES 65 years of age or over eligible for health insurance?	632 	1 ☐ Yes 2 ☐ No 3 ☐ Don't know

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	Section D – HEALTH COVERAGE CHARACTERISTICS			
	Which of the listed optional coverage services, if any, did your government unit offer to its ACTIVE employees in 2002 at a premium SEPARATE from the comprehensive health plan premium? Report single service insurance plans only. Do not include single services covered under a comprehensive health plan. Mark (X) all that apply.	1 192 1 193 1 194 1 195 1 562	☐ Dental ☐ Vision ☐ Prescription drugs ☐ Long-term care ☐ No optional coverage — SKIP to Question 2a	
b.	What was the total amount paid for optional coverage for all ACTIVE employees at THIS GOVERNMENT UNIT in 2002?	196 	\$, , , , , , 0 0 Optional coverage cost	
	For 2002, did your government unit impose a waiting period before new employees could be covered by health insurance?	 197 	1 ☐ Yes – Continue with Question 2b 2 ☐ No – SKIP to Section E	
b.	For 2002, what was the TYPICAL waiting period? Mark (X) only one.	 198 	Less than 2 weeks 2 2 weeks to less than 1 month 5 Until the first day of the next month 3 1-3 months 4 More than 3 months	
	Section E – EMPLOYME	NT C	HARACTERISTICS	
1a.	Estimates are acceptable for all employment, eligibility, and enrollment figures. Include part-time, temporary, and seasonal employees. Exclude leased or contract workers and retirees. How many ACTIVE employees were ELIGIBLE for at least one health plan through your government unit in 2002?	 	Eligible employees	
b.	How many of those ACTIVE employees were ENROLLED in ANY health plan through your government unit?	 202 	Enrolled employees	
2a.	Did your government unit have any part-time employees in 2002?	563 563 	Yes – Continue with Question 2b No Don't know SKIP to Question 3 If your government unit did not offer health insurance in 2002, SKIP to Section F.	
b.	How many of those part-time employees were ELIGIBLE for at least one health plan through your government unit?	 204 	Eligible part-time employees	
C.	How many of those part-time employees were ENROLLED in ANY health plan through your government unit?	 205 	Enrolled part-time employees	
3.	Did your government unit offer health insurance to its temporary or seasonal employees in 2002? Mark (X) only one.	564 	1 ☐ Yes 2 ☐ No 4 ☐ No temporary or seasonal employees 3 ☐ Don't know	
4.	If your government unit offered health insurance, how many hours per week must an employee work to be eligible for health insurance?	626 	Hours worked to be eligible	

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Section F – FRINGE BENEFITS CHARACTERISTICS						
1.	Which of the following fringe benefits did your government unit offer its employees in 2002?	 		Yes (1)	No (2)	Don't know (3)
		050	Paid vacation			
		, 051 	Paid sick leave			
		l 052	Life insurance			
		053	Disability insurance			
		054	Retirement/pension plans			
2a.	Did your government unit offer any of these tax-advantaged benefits to its employees in 2002?	 		Yes (1)	No (2)	Don't know (3)
	These benefits are also known as Section 125 Cafeteria Plans. See the Definition Sheet included with this package for an explanation of these benefits.	 627 	Employee contributions to health insurance made on a pre-tax basis			
		 056 	Flexible SPENDING account (FSA) For healthcare			
		057 057 	Flexible Benefits Plan Full cafeteria plan that offers employees a set of benefits from which to choose			
b.	If your government unit offered a Flexible Benefit Plan, what was the average annual value of the plan for a TYPICAL employee in 2002?	 058 	\$, 00	Flexible Plan va		its
3.	Did your government unit offer a MEDICAL SAVINGS Account (Archer MSA) to its employees in 2002?	 055 	1 ☐ Yes 2 ☐ No 3 ☐ Don't know			
	Archer MSAs can only be offered by employers with 50 or fewer employees.	 				

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	Section	on G – EMPLOYE	EE CH	ARACTERISTICS
1.	Provide information for a TYPICAL 2002. Estimates are acceptable. The following workforce characteristics a group similar government units together analytical purposes. If none, enter "0". Approximately what percentage of at this government unit were won	re used to for the employees		% Women employees
2.	Approximately what percentage of at this government unit were 50 y	of the employees rears old or older?	 017 	% Employees 50 years old or older
3.	Approximately what percentage of at this government unit were union	of the employees on members?	018	% Union members
4.	For the employees at this government 2002, approximately what percent Less than \$9.50 per hour?	ur?		Earned less than \$9.50 per hour Earned between \$9.50 and \$21.00 per hour Earned more than \$21.00 per hour
	Section H -	PERSON COMPLI	ETING	THIS QUESTIONNAIRE
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