



The 2016 HCUP Central Distributor State Inpatient Databases (SID), State Ambulatory Surgery and Services Databases (SASD), and State Emergency Department Databases (SEDD) for 14 States were recreated in July 2018 because two data elements related to community-level income were incorrectly assigned. The purpose of this notification is to provide a brief description of the problem.

The data elements that include the nationally defined income quartile (ZIPINC_QRTL) and the State-defined income quartile (MEDINCSTQ) were incorrectly assigned for about 15% of the records in the 2016 State databases for Arizona, Colorado, Florida, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Michigan, Minnesota, Mississippi, Nebraska, North Carolina, Rhode Island, South Dakota, and Wisconsin.

We apologize for any inconvenience this may have caused. If you received any 2016 HCUP State Databases for these 14 States prior to July 13, 2018, and would like a complimentary copy of the updated version(s), please contact the HCUP Central Distributor (866-556-4287 toll-free or HCUPDistributor@AHRQ.gov).

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