Panel Study of Income Dynamics: 1988 Time and Money Transfers File

Codebook

Number of Variables

14

TMTV1   **"1988 ID OF REPORTING FAM"**   **NUM(4.0)**

1988 Interview (ID) Number

This variable represents the 1988 Interview Number of the family unit. At least four records are present, one for each type of transfer flow, for every 1988 family, whether or not they reported giving or receiving time or money help.

Count	%	Value/Range	Code Value/Range Text
32,850	100.00	1 - 7,114	1988 Family Interview Number

TMTV2   **"KIND OF HELP REPORTED"**   **NUM(1.0)**

Kind of Help Given or Received

This variable identifies whether the information on a record refers to money help or time help given or received.

Count	%	Value/Range	Code Value/Range Text
7,708	23.46	1	Money help GIVEN to someone not in FU (includes both parents and non-parents)
7,715	23.49	2	Money help RECEIVED from a parent or someone else not in FU
8,893	27.07	3	Time help GIVEN to a parent or someone else not in FU
8,534	25.98	4	Time help RECEIVED from a parent or someone else not in FU

TMTV3   **"PARENT/NONPARENT/NOHELP"**   **NUM(1.0)**

Whether Help Was From Parents, Non-parents, or No Help of This Kind Was Given or Received

This variable indicates whether a record stores information about transfers between a PSID family unit and the Head's or Wife's/"Wife's" parents, stores information about transfers between a PSID family unit and non-parents, or records the fact that no help of the type specified in TMTV2 was reported.

This variable also records missing data. A code of 5 means that the family unit answered "No" to all questions about whether help of the type specified in TMTV2 occurred. A code of 6 indicates that this family reported some non-parental help of the type specified in TMTV2 but did not provide information about the number of flows of such help. Codes 7-9 indicate that data for the specified type from TMTV2 were not ascertained.

See Appendix in the documentation titled "88TMT_documentation.pdf" for a detailed explanation of the derivation of these codes.

Count	%	Value/Range	Code Value/Range Text
6,195	18.86	1	Parental help of type specified in TMTV2
5,491	16.72	2	Non-parental help of type specified in TMTV2
20,336	61.91	5	No help of type specified in TMTV2
12	.04	6	Some non-parental help but missing data about number of flows of such help
791	2.41	7	Not ascertained whether any parental help of type specified in TMTV2

11	.03	8	Not ascertained whether any non-parental help of type specified in TMTV2
14	.04	9	Not ascertained whether any help of type specified in TMTV2

TMTV4   **"1968 ID OF GIVER/RECV'R"**   NUM(4.0)
1968 ID Number of Person Who Gave or Received Help

This variable is the 1968 Interview (ID) Number of the parent or other donor/recipient of a transfer flow. For most records (except those with TMTV5=996 & 997), a combination of this variable and the individual's Person Number (TMTV5) provides unique identification for him or her. The codes for this variable correspond to those in ER30001 on the current Cross-Year Individual File. Ranges of ID values are also meaningful, as indicated in the codes below.

Most values for this variable are equal to the values for the reporting family unit (1988: V15105). However, in 21 reports, the 1968 ID Number of the parent or other donor/recipient and the 1988 family unit differ. This is due to the PSID's clustered sample design, in which related households were coincidentally selected for interview in 1968.

If the person has never been associated with the PSID, he or she was assigned the value for the reporting 1988 family unit.

Missing data are not allowed for this variable.

Count	%	Value/Range	Code Value/Range Text
6,455	19.65	1 - 2,930	Individual was a member of, moved into, or was reported as donor/recipient of help by a PSID family unit from the 1968 SRC cross-section sample
5,231	15.92	5,001 - 6,872	Individual was a member of, moved into, or was reported as donor/recipient of help by, a PSID family unit from the Census sample
21,164	64.43	0	Inap.: No help of this type, some non-parental help but missing data about number of flows of such help, or NA whether help of this type (TMTV3=5-9)

TMTV5   **"PERSON NUMBER GIVER/RECR"**   NUM(3.0)
Person Number of Person Who Gave or Received Help

Most of the codes for this variable, except 900-999 and 0, correspond to those in ER30002 on the current Cross-Year Individual File. Codes 900-996 are used to identify persons who have never resided in a PSID family unit. Consequently, any individual with a Person Number in this range does not have a record on the Individual File. If such an individual moved into a PSID family unit after the 1988 interview, his or her Person Number was changed to reflect his or her status as a member of a PSID family unit. The identifiers for all individuals (1968 ID and Person Number) in the 1988 Time and Money Transfers File are up to date and match the current Individual File.

Code 997 was created specifically for the time and money transfers data collected in the 1988 interview and does not exist in any other PSID data file. This code (997) was assigned to those persons who had a Relationship-to-Head code of "other non-relatives" (TMTV6=98) and had not been assigned a person number in a pre-1988 wave of the PSID. Just as for those with Person Numbers of 900-996, those with values of 997 have never been in any PSID family unit and do not have records on the current Cross-Year Individual File. Code 997 also differs from codes 990-996 in that this same code is assigned to all individuals with TMTV6=98 (e.g., a friend or friends, as a group). Hence, it is not a unique code for an individual or a group of individuals. Unique Person Numbers were not assigned to these persons because PSID judged that the likelihood of them becoming members of panel families in future interviews was remote.

In cases where the relevant unit in the help flow was more than a single individual, the rule for assigning a person number is as follows: priority was given to individuals who had been assigned person numbers in past waves, to sample individuals over non-sample individuals, and to persons related to the PSID family unit over non-relatives.

Count	%	Value/Range	Code Value/Range Text
4,774	14.53	1 - 19	Individuals who were living in core sample families at the time of the 1968 interview
1	.00	20	Husband of a core sample 1968 Head and living in an institution at the time of the 1968 interview
37	.11	21 - 26	Children or stepchildren of a 1968 core sample Head who were under 25 and who were living in institutions at the time of the 1968 interview
414	1.26	30 - 169	Individuals who were born into a core family since the 1968 interview and who have at least one sample parent; these persons are sample members
715	2.18	170 - 226	Individuals who moved into a core family for the first time after the 1968 interview or who have no sample parent. These individuals are nonsample unless they were born after the initial wave and have at least one sample parent.
11	.03	227	Spouse of a core sample 1968 Head and who moved out in the year prior to the 1968 interview; these persons are nonsample.

–	–	229 – 399	Individuals who moved into a core family for the first time after the 1968 interview or who have no sample parent. These individuals are nonsample unless they were born after the initial wave and have at least one sample parent. This series is simply a continuation of the 170-226 group.
3,844	11.70	900 – 996	Other relatives who have never been in a panel family
1,762	5.36	997	Non-relatives, friends, acquaintances, etc. who have never been in the study and have never been reported in the retrospective histories collected about marriages, childbirth, adoption, or substitute-parenting, or in any other PSID file concerning individuals who have never actually been in a PSID family such as the 2003 Short Term Co-resident File.
128	.39	999	Not ascertained; don't know (no identity reported, or only the relationship reported and several possible persons with that relationship)
21,164	64.43	0	Inap.: No help of this type, some non-parental help but missing data about number of flows of such help, or NA whether help of this type (TMTV3=5-9)

TMTV6   "REL TO HEAD GIVER/RECV'R"   NUM(2.0)
Relationship to 1988 Family Unit Head of the Giver or Receiver of Help
This variable records the donor's/recipient's relationship to the Head of the reporting family unit. The codes in this variable do not correspond to those in the variable "RELATIONSHIP TO HEAD" (1988: ER30572) on the current Cross-Year Individual File or other PSID files. Finer distinctions on codes for parents and ex-spouses were deemed desirable for this file and thus prompted the creation of codes 11-13 for ex-spouses, 51-56 for Head's/Wife's/"Wife's" parents, and 59 for a boyfriend's or girlfriend's parents. These codes are unique to the 1988 Time and Money Transfers File. Codes 20, 22 and 90 (Wife/"Wife" and husband of the Head), which appear on most PSID files, are technically not valid codes on this file since money and transfer questions apply only to persons who were not in 1988 PSID family units. However, in one rare case (TMTV6=20), the couple was married shortly before the 1988 interview but the wife still had not moved into the family unit by the time of the interview.

Count	%	Value/Range	Code Value/Range Text
67	.20	11	Ex-spouse or separated spouse of Head
–	–	12	Ex-husband of Wife
–	–	13	Ex-husband or separated husband of "Wife"
1	.00	20	Legal wife in 1988; 1987 wife who was mover-out nonresponse by the time of the 1988 interview

-	-	22	"Wife" -- female cohabitor who has lived with Head for a year or more or who was present in the 1987 family, since consecutive interviews may be taken less or more than twelve months apart; 1987 "Wife" who was mover-out nonresponse by the time of the 1988 interview
1,422	4.33	30	Son or daughter of Head (include adopted children but not stepchildren)
76	.23	33	Stepson or stepdaughter of Head (include children of (legal) wife only (code 20) who are not children of Head)
7	.02	35	Son or daughter of "Wife" but not Head (include only those children whose mother's relationship to Head is 22 but who are not Head's children)
51	.16	37	Son-in-law or daughter-in-law of Head (include stepchildren-in-law)relationship to Head is 22 but who are not Head's children)
3	.01	38	Foster son or foster daughter
772	2.35	40	Brother or sister of Head (include step and half sisters and brothers)
394	1.20	47	Brother-in-law or sister-in-law of Head (Head and Wife must be legally married, i.e., Wife's code=20)
17	.05	48	Brother or sister of Head's cohabitor (her code=22 or 88)
3,982	12.12	51	Father or mother of Head (biological or adopted)
3	.01	52	Stepparent of Head
2,215	6.74	53	Father-in-law or mother-in-law of Head (include parents of legal wife only (code=20))
4	.01	54	Stepparent of legal wife (code=20)
20	.06	55	Father or mother of Head's "Wife" (code=22)
-	-	56	Stepparent of Head's "Wife" (code=22)
12	.04	59	Parent of boyfriend or girlfriend (code=88)
138	.42	60	Grandson or granddaughter of Head (include legal wife's grandchildren)
5	.02	65	Great-grandson or great-granddaughter of Head (include legal wife's great-grandchildren)
111	.34	66	Grandfather or grandmother of Head (include stepgrandparents)
37	.11	67	Grandfather or grandmother of legal wife
4	.01	68	Greatgrandfather or greatgrandmother of Head
2	.01	69	Greatgrandfather or greatgrandmother of legal wife
104	.32	70	Nephew or niece of Head (do not include grandnephews or grandnieces); Not Ascertained whether Head's or Wife's nephew/niece
15	.05	71	Nephew or niece of legal wife (do not include grandnephews or grandnieces)

90	.27	72	Uncle or aunt of Head (do not include great-uncles or great-aunts)
17	.05	73	Uncle or aunt of legal wife (do not include great-uncles or great-aunts)
68	.21	74	Cousin of Head
12	.04	75	Cousin of legal wife
13	.04	83	Children of girlfriend or boyfriend but not of Head (this child's parent is coded 88)
120	.37	88	Girlfriend or boyfriend of Head
–	–	90	Legal husband of Head
24	.07	95	Other relative of Head
9	.03	96	Other relative of legal wife
6	.02	97	Other relative of girlfriend or boyfriend (include other relatives of "Wife")
1,788	5.44	98	Other nonrelatives (include homosexual friends, friends of children of the FU, step-children of son/daughter, members of menages, etc.)
77	.23	99	Not ascertained; don't know
21,164	64.43	0	Inap.: No help of this type, some non-parental help but missing data about number of flows of such help, or NA whether help of this type (TMTV3=5-9)

TMTV7   "WHICH PARENT GIVER/REC'R"   NUM(1.0)
Parental Group Indicator

This variable clarifies the relationship between a PSID family unit and parents of the Head or Wife/"Wife" when the flow of transfers is either to or from their parent(s), that is, when TMTV6=51-56. Codes 1 and 4 indicate that the transfer involved both parents together, and codes 2, 3, 5 and 6 indicate that it involved only one parent. These latter are mostly cases where the parents were divorced or one parent was deceased at the time of the 1988 interview. For parents who remarried, the transfers may involve stepparents.

Count	%	Value/Range	Code Value/Range Text
1,640	4.99	1	Both parents of Head
421	1.28	2	Head's father
1,923	5.85	3	Head's mother
1,098	3.34	4	Both parents of Wife/"Wife"
213	.65	5	Wife/"Wife's" father
941	2.86	6	Wife/"Wife's" mother
26,614	81.02	0	Inap.: no parental help given or received (TMTV3=2-9)

TMTV8   **"VOLUNTEERED PARENT INFO?"**   NUM(1.0)
Whether Respondent Volunteered Parental Information
This variable identifies records where parents of Head or Wife/"Wife" were deceased by the time of the 1988 interview but the respondent voluntarily provided information on time and money transfers to or from those parents when asked about transfer flows with non-parents. See the discussion in the documentation file, "88TMT_documentation.pdf Section IV: Cautions".

Count	%	Value/Range	Code Value/Range Text
32,839	99.97	0	Help given/received by living parent of Head or Wife/"Wife" at the time of the 1988 interview; no parental help given or received (TMTV3=2-9)
11	.03	1	Giver/receiver of help was a parent of Head or Wife/"Wife" (TMTV6=51-56) who was living in 1987 but was deceased by the time of the 1988 interview and respondent volunteered information

TMTV9   **"GROUP TYPE GIVER/RECV'R"**   NUM(1.0)
Type of Group for Those Giving or Receiving Help
This variable distinguishes different types of groups involved in the transfers when more than one person was involved in a transfer flow. In most cases where a group of individuals was reported, it is impossible to assign a dollar or hour value to each individual within the group. Such groups are classified into three categories: married couples, families and multiple persons who are neither married couples nor families. Examples of married couples are parents, grandparents, son and daughter-in-law. Examples of families are brother's family or neighbor's family. Those for multiple persons might be children, grandchildren or friends.

For one record in this latter category, code 3, the respondent reported time help to about 25-30 persons without specifying separate values for each but simply reported a total of 120 hours for all. The 1988 ID Number=2199.

A value of zero was assigned for situations where only one person was reported as a giver or receiver of help.

Count	%	Value/Range	Code Value/Range Text
3,424	10.42	1	Married couple
46	.14	2	Family
33	.10	3	Multiple persons, but not a married couple or a family
58	.18	9	Not ascertained; don't know
29,289	89.16	0	Inap.: Giver/receiver was a single person, not a group; no help of this type, some non-parental help but missing data about number of flows of such help, or NA whether any help of this type (TMTV3=5-9)

TMTV10   **"WAS HELP CHILD SUPPORT?"**   NUM(1.0)

G114/G120. Was any of the money you gave (him/her) child support?

This variable applies only to MONEY help the family GAVE in 1987 to a child who was not in the family unit. The leading questions for this variable, which are not included in this file, are G113 and G119 (see Section II Questionnaire Detail.pdf). Records with codes 1, 5 or 9 in this variable have a code of 30, 33 or 35 in TMTV6 (Relationship To Head is either (step)son or (step)daughter of the Head or Wife/"Wife"). Records for those who did not give money to anyone at all during 1987 (TMTV2=1 and TMTV3=5-9) or records about the three other types of transfers (TMTV2=2-4) contain a code of 0 in this variable.

Count	%	Value/Range	Code Value/Range Text
473	1.44	1	Yes
356	1.08	5	No
32	.10	9	Not ascertained; don't know
31,989	97.38	0	Inap.: No money help given to children (TMTV2=1 and TMTV6 not= 30, 33 or 35); no money help given to anyone, some help given but missing data about number of flows, or NA whether money help given (TMTV2=1 and TMTV3=5-9)

TMTV11   **"WAS HELP ALIMONY?"**   NUM(1.0)

G115/G121. Was any of the money you gave (him/her) alimony?

This variable applies only to MONEY help the family GAVE to an ex-spouse. The leading questions for this variable, which are not included in this file, are G113 and G119 (see Section II Questionnaire Detail.pdf). Records containing codes 1, 5 or 9 here are coded 11, 12 or 13 in TMTV6 (Relationship to Head is ex-spouse or separated spouse of Head or Wife/"Wife"). Records for those who did not give money to anyone at all during 1987 (TMTV2=1 and TMTV3=5-9) or records about the three other types of transfers (TMTV2=2-4) contain a code of 0 in this variable.

Count	%	Value/Range	Code Value/Range Text
21	.06	1	Yes
18	.05	5	No
3	.01	9	Not ascertained; don't know
32,808	99.87	0	Inap.: No money help given to ex-spouses (TMTV2=1 and TMTV6 not= 11-13); no money help given to anyone, some help given but missing data about number of flows, or NA whether money help given (TMTV2=1 and TMTV3=5-9)

TMTV12   "WAS HELP HALF+ SUPPORT?"   **NUM(1.0)**
G117/G123. Was (NAME OF PERSON) dependent on you for more than half of (his/her) total support?

This variable applies only to MONEY help the PSID family unit GAVE in 1987 to anyone not in the family unit. Records for those who did not give money to anyone during 1987 (TMTV2=1 and TMTV3=5-9) and records about the three other types of transfer (TMTV2=2-4) contain a code of 0 in this variable.

Count	%	Value/Range	Code Value/Range Text
285	.87	1	Yes
1,328	4.04	5	No
56	.17	9	Not ascertained; don't know
31,181	94.92	0	Inap.: No money help given, some help given but missing data about number of flows, or NA whether gave money help (TMTV2=1 and TMTV3=5-9)

TMTV13   "$ AMOUNT OF HELP"   **NUM(6.0)**
G116/G122. How much money did you [and your family living there] give [someone who was not living with you] in 1987?

G164/G190/G217/G263/G289/G316. About how much were those loans, gifts, or support [worth $100 or more that you/your family received from your (Wife/"Wife's") parents] worth altogether in 1987?

G328/G331. About how much were [the] loans, gifts, or support [worth $100 or more from a friend or relative, besides parents, who was not living with you at the time] worth altogether in 1987?

The values for this variable in the range 1-150000 represent the actual dollar amount given to or received from others in 1987. Codes for this variable do not match exactly with those in the 1988 Family File, as that file's data values for the dollar amount of help were truncated to 5 digits and a top code of 99998 was used. In the 1988 Time and Money Transfer File, the full range of actual dollar amounts was coded. This was done mainly to alert analysts to the fact that two cases reported unusually large amounts of money ($100,000 and $150,000) having been received from others. As a result of this coding scheme, this variable has a length of 6 in this file.

See the documentation file, "88TMT_documentation.pdf", Section VII: Distributions of Selected Variables by Type of Transfers, Table 1: Amount of Money or Hours of Help by Type of Transfers, and see Section II Questionnaire Detail.pdf for exact question wording.

Count	%	Value/Range	Code Value/Range Text
–	–	1	$1 or less
3,633	11.06	2 – 150,000	Actual amount
148	.45	999,999	Not ascertained; don't know

29,069	88.49	0	Inap.: Zero amount; did not give or receive money in 1987 (TMTV2=1, 2 and TMTV3=5-9); time help (TMTV2=3, 4)

TMTV14   **"HOURS OF HELP"**   **NUM(4.0)**

G160/G186/G213/G259/G285/G312. About how many hours in 1987 did (you/your family living there) spend helping [your/your wife/"wife's" parents]?

G162/G188/G215/G261/G287/G314. About how many hours in 1987 did they [your/your wife's parent] spend helping (you/your family living here)?

G339/G342. About how many hours did (you/your family living there) spend helping [a friend or relative besides parents, not living with you at the time]?

G350/G353 How many hours did [a friend or relative, besides parents, not living with you at the time] spend helping (you/your family living there)?

The values for this variable in the range 1-8760 represent the actual number of hours spent in 1987 by the family unit helping others or others helping the family unit. A few extreme values were reported on this variable. In nine instances, more than 5,000 hours of help were reported. Among them, three have reported values for the full year; two of those instances involve time given to others and one involves time received from others.

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Count	%	Value/Range	Code Value/Range Text
7	.02	1	One hour or less
7,537	22.94	2 - 8,760	Number of hours
361	1.10	9,999	Not ascertained; don't know
24,945	75.94	0	Inap.: Zero hours; did not give or receive time help in 1987 (TMTV2=3, 4 and TMTV3=5-9); money help (TMTV2=1, 2)