

South Africa - Marriages and Divorces 2012

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Identification

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zaf-statssa-md-2012-v1

TITLE
Marriages and Divorces 2012

COUNTRY

Name	Country code
South Africa	zaf

STUDY TYPE
Administrative Data

ABSTRACT

Marriage data:

In South Africa Civil Marriages are administered through the Marriage Act, 1961 (Act No. 25 of 1961) as amended, and its associated regulations. Customary marriages are governed by the Recognition of Customary Marriages Act, 1998 (Act No. 120 of 1998) which came into effect on 15 November 2000. Civil unions (relationships between same-sex couples that are legally recognized by a state authority) are covered by the Civil Union Act, 2006 (Act No. 17 of 2006) which came into operation on 30 November 2006.

The South African Department of Home Affairs is responsible for the administration of marriages in South Africa, under these laws. After the ceremony of a marriage or a civil union, the marriage officer submits the data to the nearest office of the Department of Home Affairs (DHS), where the marriage / civil union details for citizens and permanent residents are recorded in the National Population Register (NPR). Statistics South Africa obtains data on marriages and civil unions from DHA through the State Information Technology Agency (SITA) for this dataset.

NOTE: In customary marriages, the two spouses and their witnesses present themselves at a DHA office in order to register a customary marriage. Therefore the province of registration is not necessarily the province of the place of usual residence of the couple since the registration of the marriage can take place in any DHA office.

Divorce data:

The dissolution of registered marriages and civil unions is governed by the Divorce Act, 1979 as amended, and its associated regulations (Act No.70 of 1979) and the Jurisdiction of Regional Courts Amendment Act, 2008 (Act No. 32 of 2008) as amended which came into effect on 9 August 2010. The South African Department of Justice and Constitutional Development (DJCD) is responsible for managing divorces under these Acts. Statistics South Africa obtains the divorce data from the DJCD for this dataset.

NOTE: The data includes divorce applications that were concluded in 2012, that is, that were finalised and issued with decrees of divorce in 2012 by DJCD.

KIND OF DATA
Administrative records

UNIT OF ANALYSIS
Individuals

Version

VERSION DESCRIPTION
v1: Edited, anonymised dataset for public distribution

VERSION DATE
2014

VERSION NOTES

Version 1 of the Marriages and Divorces 2012 dataset was downloaded from the Statistics South Africa website on 15 September 2015.

Scope

NOTES

Marriage data covers province of registration, date and type of marriage (religious or civil) and age (and age difference) and status (e.g. single/widow/divorcee) of marital couple.

Divorce data includes individual level data: Age, gender and population group, status, and occupation and number of children. Data is also collected on the marriage (date, number, type and duration, and matrimonial property system) and the divorce (date of separation and date of divorce).

Coverage

GEOGRAPHIC COVERAGE

The data has national coverage.

GEOGRAPHIC UNIT

The lowest level of geographic aggregation covered by the data is province

UNIVERSE

The data covers all civil marriages that were recorded by the Department of Home Affairs and all divorce applications that were granted by the Department of Justice and Constitutional Development in 2012 in South Africa.

Producers and sponsors

PRIMARY INVESTIGATORS

Name
Statistics South Africa

PRODUCERS

Name	Affiliation	Role
Department of Home Affairs	Government of South Africa	Data producer
Department of Justice and Constitutional Development	Government of South Africa	Data producer

Data Collection

DATES OF DATA COLLECTION

Start	End
2012-01-01	2012-12-31

DATA COLLECTION MODE

Other

DATA COLLECTION NOTES

The marriage data is provided to Statistics South Africa by the South African Department of Home Affairs (DHA) from their marriage registration database based on registration forms.

The divorce data is obtained by Statistics South Africa from the South African Department of Justice and Constitutional Development from administrative records on divorces granted for civil marriages by its divorce courts.

Data Appraisal

DATA APPRAISAL

Geography is problematic in this dataset as not all the data files have geographic data. The Civil Marriages and Civil Unions data files include a Province of Registration variable but the Customary Marriages data file does not. There is also no geographical data in the Divorces file. As this data file includes divorce data from only a subset of divorce courts, this lack of geographical information compromises its usability.

Access policy

ACCESS CONDITIONS

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PRODUCERS

Name	Affiliation	Role
DataFirst	University of Cape Town	Metadata producer

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DDI DOCUMENT VERSION

Version 4

Data Description

Data file	Cases	Variables
md-2012-civil marriages-v1-20150915 The md-2012-civil marriages-v1-20150915 data file contains information on couples married in 2012.	0	9
md-2012-civil unions-v1-20150915 The md-2012-civil unions-v1-20150915 data file contains information on couples in civil unions 2012.	0	6
md-2012-customary marriages-v1-20150815 The md-2012-customary marriages-v1-20150815 data file contains information on couples married in 2012.	0	5
md-2012-divorces-v1-20150915 The md-2012-divorces-v1-20150915 data file contains information on couples divorced in 2012.	0	23

Data file: md-2012-civil marriages-v1-20150915

The md-2012-civil marriages-v1-20150915 data file contains information on couples married in 2012.

Cases: 0

Variables: 9

Variables

ID	Name	Label	Question
V1	ProvinceCode	Name of Province	
V2	MarriageMonth	Month of Marriage	
V3	MarriageYear	Year of Marriage	
V4	SolemnisationCode	Way of Solemnisation	
V5	BridegroomStatusCode	Marital status of Bridegroom	
V6	BrideStatusCode	Marital status of Bride	
V7	BridegroomAge	Age of Bridegroom	
V8	BrideAge	Age of Bride	
V9	AgeDiff	Age difference between bridegroom and bride	

Total: 9

Data file: md-2012-civil unions-v1-20150915

The md-2012-civil unions-v1-20150915 data file contains information on couples in civil unions 2012.

Cases: 0

Variables: 6

Variables

ID	Name	Label	Question
V10	ProvinceCode	Name of Province	
V11	RegistrationMonth	Month of Registration	
V12	RegistrationYear	Year of Registration	
V13	Spouse1Age	Age of Spouses-1	
V14	Spouse2Age	Age of Spouses-2	
V15	AgeDiff	Age difference between Spouses-1 and Spouses-2	

Total: 6

Data file: md-2012-customary marriages-v1-20150915

The md-2012-customary marriages-v1-20150815 data file contains information on couples married in 2012.

Cases: 0

Variables: 5

Variables

ID	Name	Label	Question
V16	MarriageYear	Year of Marriage	
V17	RegistrationYear	Year of Registration	
V18	BridegroomAge	Age of Bridegroom	
V19	BrideAge	Age of Bride	
V20	AgeDiff	Age difference between bridegroom and bride	

Total: 5

Data file: md-2012-divorces-v1-20150915

The md-2012-divorces-v1-20150915 data file contains information on couples divorced in 2012.

Cases: 0

Variables: 23

Variables

ID	Name	Label	Question
V21	MaleRace	Population group of husband	
V22	FemaleRace	Population group of wife	
V23	CoupleRace	Population group of couple	
V24	MaleOccupation	Occupation of Husband	
V25	FemaleOccupation	Occupation of wife	
V26	PlaintiffSex	Sex of plaintiff	
V27	PlaintiffOccupation	Occupation of Plaintiff	
V28	MaleStatus	Marital status of husband	
V29	FemaleStatus	Marital status of wife	
V30	MaleNoTimesMarried	Number of times husband married	
V31	FemaleNoTimesMarried	Number of times wife married	
V32	MaleAge	Age of husband	
V33	FemaleAge	Age of wife	
V34	SolemnisationCode	Way of solemnisation	
V35	MarriageType	Matrimonial property system	
V36	NoOfChildren	Number of minor children involved	
V37	MarriageMonth	Month of marriage	
V38	MarriageYear	Year of marriage	
V39	SeparationMonth	Month of separation	
V40	SeparationYear	Year of separation	
V41	DivorceMonth	Month of divorce	
V42	DivorceYear	Year of divorce	
V43	DurationOfMarriage	Duration of marriage	

Total: 23

PROVINCECODE: Name of Province**Data file: md-2012-civil marriages-v1-20150915****Overview**

Valid: 0 Invalid: 0

Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 2 Range: 1 - 99 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions**CATEGORIES**

Value	Category
1	Western Cape
2	Eastern Cape
3	Northern Cape
4	Free State
5	KwaZulu-Natal
6	North West
7	Gauteng
8	Mpumalanga
9	Limpopo
98	Outside RSA
99	Unspecified

MARRIAGEMONTH: Month of Marriage**Data file: md-2012-civil marriages-v1-20150915****Overview**

Valid: 0 Invalid: 0

Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 2 Range: 1 - 12 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions**CATEGORIES**

Value	Category
1	January
2	February
3	March
4	April
5	May
6	June
7	July

8	August
9	September
10	October
11	November
12	December

MARRIAGEYEAR: Year of Marriage

Data file: md-2012-civil marriages-v1-20150915

Overview

Valid: 0 Invalid: 0
Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 4 Range: 2012 - 2012 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
2012	2012

SOLEMNISATIONCODE: Way of Solemnisation

Data file: md-2012-civil marriages-v1-20150915

Overview

Valid: 0 Invalid: 0
Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 1 Range: 1 - 9 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	Religious
2	Civil
9	Unspecified

BRIDEGROOMSTATUSCODE: Marital status of Bridegroom

Data file: md-2012-civil marriages-v1-20150915

Overview

Valid: 0 Invalid: 0
Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 1 Range: 1 - 9 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	Bachelor
2	Divorcee
3	Widower
9	Unspecified

BRIDESTATUSCODE: Marital status of Bride

Data file: md-2012-civil marriages-v1-20150915

Overview

Valid: 0 Invalid: 0

Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 1 Range: 1 - 9 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	Spinster
2	Divorcee
3	Widow
9	Unspecified

BRIDEGROOMAGE: Age of Bridegroom

Data file: md-2012-civil marriages-v1-20150915

Overview

Valid: 0 Invalid: 0

Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 2 Range: 14 - 98 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

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BRIDEAGE: Age of Bride

Data file: md-2012-civil_marriages-v1-20150915

Overview

Valid: 0 Invalid: 0

Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 2 Range: 12 - 94 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

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AGEDIFF: Age difference between bridegroom and bride

Data file: md-2012-civil marriages-v1-20150915

Overview

Valid: 0 Invalid: 0

Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 1 Range: 0 - 2 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
0	Spouses same age
1	Bridegroom older
2	Bridegroom younger

PROVINCECODE: Name of Province**Data file: md-2012-civil unions-v1-20150915****Overview**

Valid: 0 Invalid: 0
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 2 Range: 1 - 98 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions**CATEGORIES**

Value	Category
1	Western Cape
2	Eastern Cape
3	Northern Cape
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5	KwaZulu-Natal
6	North West
7	Gauteng
8	Mpumalanga
9	Limpopo
98	Outside RSA

REGISTRATIONMONTH: Month of Registration**Data file: md-2012-civil unions-v1-20150915****Overview**

Valid: 0 Invalid: 0
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 2 Range: 1 - 12 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions**CATEGORIES**

Value	Category
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REGISTRATIONYEAR: Year of Registration

Data file: md-2012-civil unions-v1-20150915

Overview

Valid: 0 Invalid: 0
Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 4 Range: 2012 - 2012 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
2012	2012

SPOUSE1AGE: Age of Spouses-1

Data file: md-2012-civil unions-v1-20150915

Overview

Valid: 0 Invalid: 0
Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 2 Range: 19 - 81 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

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SPOUSE2AGE: Age of Spouses-2

Data file: md-2012-civil unions-v1-20150915

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Valid: 0 Invalid: 0
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 2 Range: 17 - 79 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

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■ AGEDIFF: Age difference between Spouses-1 and Spouses-2

Data file: md-2012-civil unions-v1-20150915

Overview

Valid: 0 Invalid: 0
Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 1 Range: 0 - 2 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
0	Spouses same age
1	Spouses-1 older
2	Spouses-1 younger

MARRIAGEYEAR: Year of Marriage**Data file: md-2012-customary marriages-v1-20150915****Overview**

Valid: 0 Invalid: 0
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 4 Range: 1941 - 2012 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions**CATEGORIES**

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2012	2012

REGISTRATIONYEAR: Year of Registration**Data file: md-2012-customary marriages-v1-20150915****Overview**

Valid: 0 Invalid: 0
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 4 Range: 2012 - 2012 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions**CATEGORIES**

Value	Category
2012	2012

BRIDEGROOMAGE: Age of Bridegroom**Data file: md-2012-customary marriages-v1-20150915****Overview**

Valid: 0 Invalid: 0
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 3 Range: 10 - 999 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions**CATEGORIES**

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999	Unspecified

BRIDEAGE: Age of Bride

Data file: md-2012-customary marriages-v1-20150915

Overview

Valid: 0 Invalid: 0

Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 3 Range: 10 - 999 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

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999	Unspecified

■ AGEDIFF: Age difference between bridegroom and bride

Data file: md-2012-customary marriages-v1-20150915

Overview

Valid: 0 Invalid: 0

Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 1 Range: 0 - 9 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
0	Spouses same age
1	Bridegroom older
2	Bridegroom younger
9	Either bridegroom or bride age is missing

MALERACE: Population group of husband**Data file: md-2012-divorces-v1-20150915****Overview**

Valid: 0 Invalid: 0
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 1 Range: 1 - 9 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions**CATEGORIES**

Value	Category
1	Black African
2	Coloured
3	Indian/Asian
4	White
5	Mixed
9	Unspecified

FEMALERACE: Population group of wife**Data file: md-2012-divorces-v1-20150915****Overview**

Valid: 0 Invalid: 0
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 1 Range: 1 - 9 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions**CATEGORIES**

Value	Category
1	Black African
2	Coloured
3	Indian/Asian
4	White
5	Mixed
9	Unspecified

COPLERACE: Population group of couple**Data file: md-2012-divorces-v1-20150915****Overview**

Valid: 0 Invalid: 0

Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 1 Range: 1 - 9 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	Black African
2	Coloured
3	Indian/Asian
4	White
5	Mixed
9	Unspecified

MALEOCCUPATION: Occupation of Husband

Data file: md-2012-divorces-v1-20150915

Overview

Valid: 0 Invalid: 0
Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 2 Range: 0 - 99 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
0	Not economically active
1	Professional, semi-professional and technical occupations
2	Managers and administrators
3	Clerical and sales occupations
4	Transport, delivery and communications
5	Service occupations
6	Farming and related occupations
7	Artisans, apprentice and related occupations
8	Production foreman, mine and quarry workers
99	Unspecified

FEMALEOCCUPATION: Occupation of wife

Data file: md-2012-divorces-v1-20150915

Overview

Valid: 0 Invalid: 0

Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 2 Range: 0 - 99 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
0	Not economically active
1	Professional, semi-professional and technical occupations
2	Managers and administrators
3	Clerical and sales occupations
4	Transport, delivery and communications
5	Service occupations
6	Farming and related occupations
7	Artisans, apprentice and related occupations
8	Production foreman, mine and quarry workers
99	Unspecified

PLAINTIFFSEX: Sex of plaintiff

Data file: md-2012-divorces-v1-20150915

Overview

Valid: 0 Invalid: 0

Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 1 Range: 1 - 9 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	Male
2	Female
9	Unspecified

PLAINTIFFOCCUPATION: Occupation of Plaintiff

Data file: md-2012-divorces-v1-20150915

Overview

Valid: 0 Invalid: 0

Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 2 Range: 0 - 99 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
0	Not economically active
1	Professional, semi-professional and technical occupations
2	Managers and administrators
3	Clerical and sale occupations
4	Transport, delivery and communications
5	Service occupations
6	Farming and related occupations
7	Artisans, apprentice and related occupations
8	Production foreman, mine and quarry worker
99	Unspecified

MALESTATUS: Marital status of husband

Data file: md-2012-divorces-v1-20150915

Overview

Valid: 0 Invalid: 0
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 1 Range: 1 - 9 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	Bachelor
2	Widower
3	Divorcee
4	Married
9	Unspecified

FEMALESTATUS: Marital status of wife

Data file: md-2012-divorces-v1-20150915

Overview

Valid: 0 Invalid: 0
 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 1 Range: 1 - 9 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	Spinster
2	Widower
3	Divorcee
9	Unspecified

MALENOTIMESMARRIED: Number of times husband married

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Overview

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Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	1
2	2
3	3
4	4
5	5
6	6
99	Unspecified

FEMALENOTIMESMARRIED: Number of times wife married

Data file: md-2012-divorces-v1-20150915

Overview

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 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 2 Range: 1 - 99 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
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2	2
3	3
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5	5
6	6
99	Unspecified

MALEAGE: Age of husband

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Overview

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Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 2 Range: 13 - 99 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

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99	Unspecified

FEMALEAGE: Age of wife

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Overview

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 Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 2 Range: 14 - 99 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

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86	86
99	Unspecified

SOLEMNISATIONCODE: Way of solemnisation

Data file: md-2012-divorces-v1-20150915

Overview

Valid: 0 Invalid: 0

Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 1 Range: 1 - 9 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	Religious
2	Civil
9	Unspecified

MARRIAGETYPE: Matrimonial property system

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Overview

Valid: 0 Invalid: 0

Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 1 Range: 1 - 9 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	With antenuptial contract
2	Without antenuptial contract
3	In community of property
4	Out of community of property
5	Out of community of property (excluding accrual system)
6	Out of community of property (including accrual system)
7	Other
9	Unspecified

NOOFCCHILDREN: Number of minor children involved

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Overview

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CATEGORIES

Value	Category
99	Unspecified

MARRIAGEMONTH: Month of marriage

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Overview

Valid: 0 Invalid: 0

Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 2 Range: 1 - 99 Format: Numeric

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CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	January
2	February
3	March

4	April
5	May
6	June
7	July
8	August
9	September
10	October
11	November
12	December
99	Unspecified

MARRIAGEYEAR: Year of marriage

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Overview

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Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
9999	Unspecified

SEPARATIONMONTH: Month of separation

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Overview

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Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 2 Range: 1 - 99 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	January
2	February
3	March
4	April
5	May

6	June
7	July
8	August
9	September
10	October
11	November
12	December
99	Unspecified

SEPARATIONYEAR: Year of separation

Data file: md-2012-divorces-v1-20150915

Overview

Valid: 0 Invalid: 0
Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 4 Range: 1968 - 9999 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
9999	Unspecified

DIVORCEMONTH: Month of divorce

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Overview

Valid: 0 Invalid: 0
Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 2 Range: 1 - 12 Format: Numeric

Questions and instructions

CATEGORIES

Value	Category
1	January
2	February
3	March
4	April
5	May
6	June
7	July

8	August
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10	October
11	November
12	December

DIVORCEYEAR: Year of divorce**Data file:** md-2012-divorces-v1-20150915**Overview**

Valid: 0 Invalid: 0

Type: Discrete Decimal: 0 Width: 4 Range: 2012 - 2012 Format: Numeric

DURATIONOFMARRIAGE: Duration of marriage**Data file:** md-2012-divorces-v1-20150915**Overview**

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Questions and instructions**CATEGORIES**

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999	Unspecified