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HCUP Data Element	File(s)	Coding Notes	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	HCUP Data Element
ADAYWK	Core	Admission day of week: (1) Sunday, (2) Monday, (3) Tuesday, (4) Wednesday, etc.	Yes	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	ADAYWK										
AGE	Core	Age in years at admission coded 0-90 years (0-124 years prior to 2012)	Yes	AGE																								
AGEDAY	Core	Age in days coded 0-365 only when the age in years is less than 1 year	Yes	AGEDAY																								
AGE_NEONATE	Core	Neonatal age (first 28 days after birth) indicator: (0) non-neonatal age, (1) neonatal age	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	AGE_NEONATE	
AHAID	Hospital	AHA hospital identifier that matches AHA Annual Survey Database (not available for all states)	Yes	--	AHAID																							
AMONTH	Core	Admission month coded from (1) January to (12) December	Yes	AMONTH																								
APRDRG	Severity	All Patient Refined DRG	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	APRDRG	
APRDRG_Risk_Mortality	Severity	All Patient Refined DRG: Risk of Mortality Subclass: (0) No class specified, (1) Minor likelihood of dying, (2) Moderate likelihood of dying, (3) Major likelihood of dying, (4) Extreme likelihood of dying	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	APRDRG_Risk_Mortality	
APRDRG_Severity	Severity	All Patient Refined DRG: Severity of Illness Subclass: (0) No class specified, (1) Minor loss of function (includes cases with no comorbidity or complications), (2) Moderate loss of function, (3) Major loss of function, (4) Extreme loss of function	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	APRDRG_Severity	
APSDRG	Severity	All-Payer Severity-adjusted DRG	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	APSDRG	
APSDRG_Charge_Weight	Severity	All-Payer Severity-adjusted DRG: Charge Weight	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	APSDRG_Charge_Weight	
APSDRG_LOS_Weight	Severity	All-Payer Severity-adjusted DRG: Length of Stay Weight	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	APSDRG_LOS_Weight	
APSDRG_Mortality_Weight	Severity	All-Payer Severity-adjusted DRG: Mortality Weight	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	APSDRG_Mortality_Weight	
ASOURCE	Core	Admission source, uniform coding: (1) ER, (2) another hospital, (3) another facility including long-term care, (4) court/law enforcement, (5) routine/birth/other	Yes	--	ASOURCE																							
ASOURCE_X	Core	Admission source, as received from data source using State-specific coding	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	ASOURCE_X	
ASOURCEUB92	Core	Admission source (UB-92 standard coding)	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	ASOURCEUB92	
ATYPE	Core	Admission type, uniform coding: (1) emergency, (2) urgent, (3) elective, (4) newborn, (5) Delivery (coded in 1988-1997 data only), (5) trauma center beginning in 2003 data, (6) other	Yes	--	ATYPE																							
AWEEKEND	Core	Admission on weekend: (0) admission on Monday-Friday, (1) admission on Saturday-Sunday	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	AWEEKEND	
CCSMGN1-CCSMGN15	Dx_Pr_Grps	CCS Mental Health and Substance Abuse - General category for all diagnoses for NIS beginning in 2005	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	CCSMGN1-CCSMGN15	
CCSMSP1-CCSMSP15	Dx_Pr_Grps	CCS Mental Health and Substance Abuse - Detail category for all diagnoses for NIS beginning in 2005	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	CCSMSP1-CCSMSP15	
CHRON1-CHRON25	Dx_Pr_Grps	Chronic Condition Indicators for all diagnoses for NIS beginning in 2005. Beginning in 2009, the diagnosis array was increased from 15 to 25.	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	CHRON1-CHRON25	
CHRONB1-CHRONB25	Dx_Pr_Grps	Chronic Condition Indicators – body system for all diagnoses for NIS beginning in 2005. Beginning in 2009, the diagnosis array was increased from 15 to 25.	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	CHRONB1-CHRONB25	
CM_AIDS	Severity	AHRQ comorbidity measure: Acquired immune deficiency syndrome	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	CM_AIDS	
CM_ALCOHOL	Severity	AHRQ comorbidity measure: Alcohol abuse	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	CM_ALCOHOL	
CM_ANEMDEF	Severity	AHRQ comorbidity measure: Deficiency anemias	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	CM_ANEMDEF	
CM_ARTH	Severity	AHRQ comorbidity measure: Rheumatoid arthritis/collagen vascular diseases	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	CM_ARTH	
CM_BLDLOSS	Severity	AHRQ comorbidity measure: Chronic blood loss anemia	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	CM_BLDLOSS	
CM_CHF	Severity	AHRQ comorbidity measure: Congestive heart failure	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	CM_CHF	
CM_CHRNLUNG	Severity	AHRQ comorbidity measure: Chronic pulmonary disease	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	CM_CHRNLUNG	
CM_COAG	Severity	AHRQ comorbidity measure: Coagulopathy	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	CM_COAG	
CM_DEPRESS	Severity	AHRQ comorbidity measure: Depression	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	CM_DEPRESS	

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CM_DM	Severity	AHRQ comorbidity measure: Diabetes, uncomplicated	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	Yes	CM_DM											
CM_DMCX	Severity	AHRQ comorbidity measure: Diabetes with chronic complications	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	Yes	CM_DMCX											
CM_DRUG	Severity	AHRQ comorbidity measure: Drug abuse	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	Yes	CM_DRUG											
CM_HTN_C	Severity	AHRQ comorbidity measure: Hypertension, uncomplicated and complicated	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	Yes	CM_HTN_C											
CM_HYPOTHY	Severity	AHRQ comorbidity measure: Hypothyroidism	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	Yes	CM_HYPOTHY											
CM_LIVER	Severity	AHRQ comorbidity measure: Liver disease	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	Yes	CM_LIVER											
CM_LYMPH	Severity	AHRQ comorbidity measure: Lymphoma	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	Yes	CM_LYMPH											
CM_LYTES	Severity	AHRQ comorbidity measure: Fluid and electrolyte disorders	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	Yes	CM_LYTES											
CM_METS	Severity	AHRQ comorbidity measure: Metastatic cancer	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	Yes	CM_METS											
CM_NEURO	Severity	AHRQ comorbidity measure: Other neurological disorders	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	Yes	CM_NEURO											
CM_OBESE	Severity	AHRQ comorbidity measure: Obesity	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	Yes	CM_OBESE											
CM_PARA	Severity	AHRQ comorbidity measure: Paralysis	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	Yes	CM_PARA											
CM_PERIVASC	Severity	AHRQ comorbidity measure: Peripheral vascular disorders	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	Yes	CM_PERIVASC											
CM_PSYCH	Severity	AHRQ comorbidity measure: Psychoses	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	Yes	CM_PSYCH											
CM_PULMCIRC	Severity	AHRQ comorbidity measure: Pulmonary circulation disorders	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	Yes	CM_PULMCIRC											
CM_RENLFAIL	Severity	AHRQ comorbidity measure: Renal failure	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	Yes	CM_RENLFAIL											
CM_TUMOR	Severity	AHRQ comorbidity measure: Solid tumor without metastasis	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	Yes	CM_TUMOR											
CM_ULCER	Severity	AHRQ comorbidity measure: Peptic ulcer disease excluding bleeding	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	Yes	CM_ULCER											
CM_VALVE	Severity	AHRQ comorbidity measure: Valvular disease	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	Yes	CM_VALVE											
CM_WGHTLOSS	Severity	AHRQ comorbidity measure: Weight loss	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	Yes	CM_WGHTLOSS											
D10CWT_U	Hospital	10% sample weight to discharges in the universe	Yes	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	D10CWT_U													
DCCHPR1	Core	CCS category for principal diagnosis for NIS prior to 1998. CCS was formerly called the Clinical Classifications for Health Policy Research (CCHPR).	Yes	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	DCCHPR1													
DIED	Core	Indicates in-hospital death: (0) did not die during hospitalization, (1) died during hospitalization	Yes	DIED																									
DISCWT	Core, Hospital	Discharge weight on Core file and Hospital Weights file for NIS beginning in 1998. In all data years except 2000, this weight is used to create national estimates for all analyses. In 2000 only, this weight is used to create national estimates for all analyses excluding those that involve total charges.	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	Yes	DISCWT											
DISCWT_F	Hospital	Discharge weights to the sample frame are available only in 1988-1997	Yes	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	DISCWT_F												
DISCWT_S	Hospital	Discharge weights to the State are available only in 1988-1997	Yes	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	DISCWT_S												
DISCWT_U	Hospital	Discharge weight on Core file and Hospital Weights file for NIS prior to 1998	Yes	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	DISCWT_U												
DISCWT10	Subsample	10% sample weight to discharges in the universe	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	Yes	--	DISCWT10										
DISCWTcharge	Core, Hospital	Discharge weight for national estimates of total charges. In 2000 only, this weight is used to create national estimates for analyses that involve total charges.	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	Yes	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	DISCWTcharge
DISCWTcharge10	Subsample	10% sample weight to discharges in the universe for national estimates of total charge in 2000	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	Yes	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	DISCWTcharge10
DISP	Core	Disposition of patient, uniform coding used prior to 1998: (1) routine, (2) short-term hospital, (3) skilled nursing facility, (4) intermediate care facility, (5) another type of facility, (6) home health care, (7) against medical advice, (20) died	Yes	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	DISP												

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DISPUB92	Core	Disposition of patient, UB-92 coding: (1) routine, (2) short term hospital, (3) skilled nursing facility, (4) intermediate care, (5) another type of facility, (6) home health care, (7) against medical advice, (8) home IV provider, (9) admitted as an inpatient to this hospital beginning in 2001 on outpatient data only (20) died in hospital, (40) died at home, (41) died in a medical facility, (42) died, place unknown, (50) Hospice, home, (51) Hospice, medical facility, (61) hospital-based Medicare approved swing bed, (62) another rehabilitation facility, (63) long term care hospital, (64) certified nursing facility, (71) another institution for outpatient services, (72) this institution for outpatient services, (99) discharged alive, destination unknown	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	Yes	--	--	--	--	--	--	DISPUB92							
DISPUB04	Core	Disposition of patient (UB-04 standard coding)	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	--	DISPUB04	
DISPUNIFORM	Core	Disposition of patient, uniform coding used beginning in 1998: (1) routine, (2) transfer to short term hospital, (5) other transfers, including skilled nursing facility, intermediate care, and another type of facility, (6) home health care, (7) against medical advice, (20) died in hospital, (99) discharged alive, destination unknown	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	Yes	DISPUNIFORM													
DQTR	Core	Coded: (1) Jan - Mar, (2) Apr - Jun, (3) Jul - Sep, (4) Oct - Dec	Yes	DQTR																								
DQTR_X	Core	Discharge quarter, as received from data source	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	--	DQTR_X	
DRG	Core	DRG in use on discharge date	Yes	DRG																								
DRG_NoPOA	Core	DRG in use on discharge date, calculated without Present On Admission (POA) indicators	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	DRG_NoPOA		
DRG10	Core	DRG Version 10 (effective October 1992 - September 1993)	Yes	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	DRG10												
DRG18	Core	DRG Version 18 (effective October 2000 - September 2001)	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	Yes	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	DRG18								
DRG24	Core	DRG Version 24 (effective October 2006 - September 2007)	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	DRG24		
DRGVER	Core	Grouper version in use on discharge date	Yes	DRGVER																								
DS_DX_Category1	Severity	Disease Staging: Principal Disease Category	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	Yes	--	DS_DX_Category1								
DS_LOS_Level	Severity	Disease Staging: Length of Stay Level: (1) Very low (less than 5% of patients), (2) Low (5 - 25% of patients), (3) Medium (25 - 75% of patients), (4) High (75 - 95% of patients), (5) Very high (greater than 95% of patients)	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	--	--	--	--	DS_LOS_Level	
DS_LOS_Scale	Severity	Disease Staging: Length of Stay Scale	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	--	--	--	--	DS_LOS_Scale	
DS_Mrt_Level	Severity	Disease Staging: Mortality Level: (0) Extremely low - excluded from percentile calculation (mortality probability less than .0001), (1) Very low (less than 5% of patients), (2) Low (5 - 25% of patients), (3) Medium (25 - 75% of patients), (4) High (75 - 95% of patients), (5) Very high (greater than 95% of patients)	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	--	--	--	--	DS_Mrt_Level	
DS_Mrt_Scale	Severity	Disease Staging: Mortality Scale	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	--	--	--	--	DS_Mrt_Scale	
DS_RD_Level	Severity	Disease Staging: Resource Demand Level: (1) Very low (less than 5% of patients), (2) Low (5 - 25% of patients), (3) Medium (25 - 75% of patients), (4) High (75 - 95% of patients), (5) Very high (greater than 95% of patients)	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	--	--	--	--	DS_RD_Level	
DS_RD_Scale	Severity	Disease Staging: Resource Demand Scale	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	--	--	--	--	DS_RD_Scale	
DS.Stage1	Severity	Disease Staging: Stage of Principal Disease Category	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	--	--	--	--	DS.Stage1	
DSHOSPID	Core	Hospital number as received from the data source	Yes	--	DSHOSPID																							
DSNDX	Core	Number of diagnosis fields provided by the data source	Yes	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	DSNDX												
DSNPR	Core	Number of procedure fields in this data source	Yes	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	DSNPR												
DSNUM	Core	Data source number	Yes	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	DSNUM												
DSTYPE	Core	Data source type: (1) State data organization, (2) Hospital association, (3) Consortia	Yes	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	DSTYPE												
DX1-DX25	Core	Diagnoses, principal and secondary (ICD-9-CM). Beginning in 2009, the diagnosis array was increased from 15 to 25.	Yes	DX1-DX25																								

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DXCCS1-DXCCS25	Core	CCS category for all diagnoses for NIS beginning in 1998. Beginning in 2009, the diagnosis array was increased from 15 to 25.	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	Yes	DXCCS1-DXCCS25														
DXSYS	Core	Diagnosis coding system (ICD-9-CM)	Yes	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	DXSYS										
DXMCCS1	Dx_Pr_Grps	Multi-level clinical classification software (CCS) for principal diagnosis. Four levels for diagnoses presenting both the general groupings and very specific conditions	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	DXMCCS1	
DXV1-DXV15	Core	Diagnosis validity flags	Yes	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	DXV1-DXV15										
E_CCS1-E_CCS4	Core	CCS category for all E codes	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	Yes	E_CCS1-E_CCS4									
ECCSMGN1-ECCSMGN4	Dx_Pr_Grps	Clinical Classification Software Mental Health and Substance Abuse - General category for all E codes for NIS beginning in 2005	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	Yes	Yes	--	--	--	--	--	--	ECCSMGN1-ECCSMGN4	
ECODE1-ECODE4	Core	External causes of injury codes (ICD-9-CM)	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	Yes	ECODE1-ECODE4									
E_MCCS1	Dx_Pr_Grps	Multi-level clinical classification software (CCS) for first listed E Code. Four levels for E codes presenting both the general groupings and very specific conditions	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	E_MCCS1	
ELECTIVE	Core	Indicates elective admission: (1) elective, (0) non-elective admission	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	Yes	ELECTIVE										
FEMALE	Core	Indicates gender for NIS beginning in 1998: (0) male, (1) female	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	Yes	FEMALE														
H_BEDSZ	Hospital	Bed size of hospital: (1) small, (2) medium, (3) large	--	--	--	--	--	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	H_BEDSZ	
H_CONTRL	Hospital	Control/ownership of hospital: (1) government, nonfederal, (2) private, non-profit, (3) private, invest-own	--	--	--	--	--	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	H_CONTRL	
H_LOC	Hospital	Location: (0) rural, (1) urban	--	--	--	--	--	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	H_LOC	
H_LOCTCH	Hospital	Location/teaching status of hospital: (1) rural, (2) urban non-teaching, (3) urban teaching	--	--	--	--	--	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	H_LOCTCH	
H_REGION	Hospital	Region of hospital: (1) Northeast, (2) Midwest, (3) South, (4) West	--	--	--	--	--	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	H_REGION	
H_TCH	Hospital	Teaching status of hospital: (0) non-teaching, (1) teaching	--	--	--	--	--	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	H_TCH	
HCUP_ED	Core	Indicator that discharge record includes evidence of emergency department (ED) services: (0) Record does not meet any HCUP Emergency Department criteria, (1) Emergency Department revenue code on record, (2) Positive Emergency Department charge (when revenue center codes are not available), (3) Emergency Department CPT procedure code on record, (4) Admission source of ED, (5) State-defined ED record; no ED charges available	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	HCUP_ED
HFIPSSTCO	Hospital	Unmodified Federal Information Processing Standards (FIPS) State/county code for the hospital links to recent years of the Area Resource File (available from the Bureau of Health Professions, Health Resources and Services Administration)	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	Yes	--	HFIPSSTCO							
HOSP_BEDSIZE	Hospital	Bed size of hospital: (1) small, (2) medium, (3) large	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	Yes	HOSP_BEDSIZE														
HOSP_CONTROL	Hospital	Control/ownership of hospital: (0) government or private, collapsed category, (1) government, nonfederal, public, (2) private, non-profit, voluntary, (3) private, invest-own, (4) private, collapsed category	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	Yes	--	HOSP_CONTROL													
HOSP_DIVISION	Core, Hospital	Census Division of hospital (STRATA): (1) New England, (2) Middle Atlantic, (3) East North Central, (4) West North Central, (5) South Atlantic, (6) East South Central, (7) West South Central, (8) Mountain, (9) Pacific	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	Yes	HOSP_DIVISION
HOSP_LOCATION	Hospital	Location: (0) rural, (1) urban	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	Yes	--	HOSP_LOCATION													
HOSP_LOCTEACH	Hospital	Location/teaching status of hospital: (1) rural, (2) urban non-teaching, (3) urban teaching	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	Yes	HOSP_LOCTEACH														
HOSP_LPNFTEAPD	Hospital	LPN FTEs per 1000 adjusted inpatient days	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	--	HOSP_LPNFTEAPD
HOSP_MHSCLUSTER	Hospital	Multi-hospital system cluster code: (1) centralized health system, (2) centralized physician/insurance health system, (3) moderately centralized health system, (4) decentralized health system, (5) independent hospital system, (6) unassigned	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	--	HOSP_MHSCLUSTER
HOSP_MHSMEMBER	Hospital	Multi-hospital system membership: (0) non-member, (1) member	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	--	HOSP_MHSMEMBER
HOSP_NAFTEAPD	Hospital	Nurse aides per 1000 adjusted inpatient days	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	--	HOSP_NAFTEAPD

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HOSP_NIS	Core, Hospital, Severity, Dx_Pr_Grps	NIS hospital number (links to Hospital Weights file; does not link to previous years)	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	Yes	HOSP_NIS		
HOSP_OPSPURGPCT	Hospital	Percentage of all surgeries performed in outpatient setting	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	HOSP_OPSPURGPCT		
HOSP_REGION	Hospital	Region of hospital: (1) Northeast, (2) Midwest, (3) South, (4) West	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	Yes	HOSP_REGION																
HOSP_RNFTEAPD	Hospital	RN FTEs per 1000 adjusted inpatient days	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	HOSP_RNFTEAPD		
HOSP_RNPCT	Hospital	Percentage of RNs among all nurses (RNs and LPNs)	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	HOSP_RNPCT		
HOSP_TEACH	Hospital	Teaching status of hospital: (0) non-teaching, (1) teaching	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	Yes	--	HOSP_TEACH															
HOSPAADDR	Hospital	Hospital address from AHA Annual Survey Database	--	--	--	--	--	Yes	--	HOSPAADDR																				
HOSPBIRTH	Core	Indicator that discharge record includes diagnosis of birth that occurred in the hospital: (0) Not an in-hospital birth, (1) In-hospital birth	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	HOSPBIRTH		
HOSPCITY	Hospital	Hospital city from AHA Annual Survey Database	--	--	--	--	--	Yes	--	HOSPCITY																				
HOSPID	Core, Hospital, Severity, Dx_Pr_Grps	HCUP hospital identification number prior to 2012	Yes	--	HOSPID																									
HOSPNAME	Hospital	Hospital name from AHA Annual Survey Database	--	--	--	--	--	Yes	--	HOSPNAME																				
HOSPST	Core, Hospital	State postal code for the hospital (e.g., AZ for Arizona)	Yes	--	HOSPST																									
HOSPSTCO	Core (1988-2002), Hospital (2002-2011)	Modified Federal Information Processing Standards (FIPS) State/county code for the hospital	Yes	--	HOSPSTCO																									
HOSPWT	Hospital	Weight to hospitals in AHA universe (i.e., total U.S.) 1998-2011	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	Yes	--	HOSPWT															
HOSPWT_F	Hospital	Weight to hospitals in the sample frame	Yes	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	HOSPWT_F											
HOSPWT_S	Hospital	Weight to hospitals in the State	Yes	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	HOSPWT_S											
HOSPWT_U	Hospital	Weight to hospitals in AHA universe (i.e., total U.S.) prior to 1998	Yes	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	HOSPWT_U											
HOSZIP	Hospital	Hospital ZIP Code from AHA Annual Survey Database	--	--	--	--	--	Yes	--	HOSZIP																				
IDNUMBER	Hospital	AHA hospital identifier without the leading 6 (not available for all states)	Yes	--	IDNUMBER																									
KEY	Core, Severity, Dx_Pr_Grps	Unique record number 1998-2011	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	Yes	--	KEY															
KEY_NIS	Core, Severity, Dx_Pr_Grps	Unique record number for file beginning in 2012	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	Yes	KEY_NIS		
LOCTEACH	Hospital	Location/teaching status of hospital: (1) rural, (2) urban non-teaching, (3) urban teaching	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	LOCTEACH		
LOS	Core	Length of stay, edited	Yes	LOS																										
LOS_X	Core	Length of stay, as received from data source	Yes	--	LOS_X																									
MDC	Core	MDC in use on discharge date	Yes	MDC																										
MDC_NoPOA	Core	MDC in use on discharge date, calculated without Present on Admission (POA) indicators	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	Yes	Yes	Yes	MDC_NoPOA
MDC10	Core	MDC Version 10 (effective October 1992 - September 1993)	Yes	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	MDC10														
MDC18	Core	MDC Version 18 (effective October 2000 - September 2001)	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	Yes	--	MDC18															
MDC24	Core	MDC Version 24 (effective October 2006 - September 2007)	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	Yes	Yes	Yes	MDC24
MDID_S	Core	Synthetic attending physician number in files prior to 2001	Yes	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	MDID_S														
MDNUM1_R	Core	Re-identified primary physician number 2003-2009	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	MDNUM1_R		
MDNUM1_S	Core	Synthetic primary physician number 2001-2002	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	MDNUM1_S		
MDNUM2_R	Core	Re-identified secondary physician number 2003-2009	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	MDNUM2_R		
MDNUM2_S	Core	Synthetic secondary physician number in files 2001-2002	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	MDNUM2_S		

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N_DISC_F	Hospital	Number of frame discharges in the stratum	Yes	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	N_DISC_F								
N_DISC_S	Hospital	Number of State's discharges in the stratum	Yes	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	N_DISC_S								
N_DISC_U	Hospital	Number of AHA universe discharges in the NIS stratum	Yes	N_DISC_U																								
N_HOSP_F	Hospital	Number of frame hospitals in the stratum	Yes	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	N_HOSP_F								
N_HOSP_S	Hospital	Number of State's hospitals in the stratum	Yes	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	N_HOSP_S								
N_HOSP_U	Hospital	Number of AHA universe hospitals in the NIS stratum	Yes	N_HOSP_U																								
NCHRONIC	Core	Number of chronic conditions	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	NCHRONIC	
NDX	Core	Number of diagnoses coded on the original record	Yes	NDX																								
NECODE	Core	Number of E codes coded on the original record beginning in 2003	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	Yes	Yes	NECODE									
NEOMAT	Core	Assigned from diagnoses and procedure codes: (0) not maternal or neonatal, (1) maternal diagnosis or procedure, (2) neonatal diagnosis, (3) maternal and neonatal on same record	Yes	Yes	NEOMAT																							
NIS_STRATUM	Core (beginning with 2000 NIS), Hospital	Stratum used to sample hospitals, based on geographic region, control, location/teaching status, and bed size. Stratum information is also in the Hospital Weights file.	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	Yes	NIS_STRATUM														
NPR	Core	Number of procedures coded on the original record	Yes	Yes	NPR																							
ORPROC	Core	Major operating room procedure indicator: (0) no major operating room procedure, (1) major operating room procedure	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	ORPROC	
PAY1	Core	Expected primary payer, uniform: (1) Medicare, (2) Medicaid, (3) private including HMO, (4) self-pay, (5) no charge, (6) other	Yes	PAY1																								
PAY1_N	Core	Expected primary payer, nonuniform: (1) Medicare, (2) Medicaid, (3) Blue Cross, Blue Cross PPO, (4) commercial, PPO, (5) HMO, PHP, etc., (6) self-pay, (7) no charge, (8) Title V, (9) Worker's Compensation, (10) CHAMPUS, CHAMPVA, (11) other government, (12) other	Yes	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	PAY1_N										
PAY1_X	Core	Expected primary payer, as received from the data source	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	Yes	--	PAY1_X													
PAY2	Core	Expected secondary payer, uniform: (1) Medicare, (2) Medicaid, (3) private including HMO, (4) self-pay, (5) no charge, (6) other	Yes	--	PAY2																							
PAY2_N	Core	Expected secondary payer, nonuniform: (1) Medicare, (2) Medicaid, (3) Blue Cross, Blue Cross PPO, (4) commercial, PPO, (5) HMO, PHP, etc., (6) self-pay, (7) no charge, (8) Title V, (9) Worker's Compensation, (10) CHAMPUS, CHAMPVA, (11) other government, (12) other	Yes	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	PAY2_N										
PAY2_X	Core	Expected secondary payer, as received from the data source	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	Yes	--	PAY2_X													
PCCHPR1	Core	CCS category for principal procedure for NIS prior to 1998. CCS was formerly called the Clinical Classifications for Health Policy Research (CCHPR).	Yes	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	PCCHPR1									
PCLASS1-PCLASS15	Dx_Pr_Grps	Procedure class for all procedures for NIS beginning in 2005	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	Yes	PCLASS1-PCLASS15								
PL_NCHS2006	Core	Patient Location: NCHS Urban-Rural Code (V2006). This is a six-category urban-rural classification scheme for U.S. counties: (1) "Central" counties of metro areas of >=1 million population, (2) "Fringe" counties of metro areas of >=1 million population, (3) Counties in metro areas of 250,000-999,999 population, (4) Counties in metro areas of 50,000-249,999 population, (5) Micropolitan counties, (6) Not metropolitan or micropolitan counties	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	PL_NCHS2006		
PL_UR_CAT4	Core	Patient location: Urban-Rural 4 categories	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	--	--	--	--	PL_UR_CAT4	
POINTOFIGIN_X	Core	Point of origin for admission or visit, as received from source	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	--	POINTOFIGIN_X		
POINTOFIGIN_UB04	Core	Point of origin for admission or visit, UB-04 standard coding.	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	--	POINTOFIGIN_UB04		
PR1-PR15	Core	Procedures, principal and secondary (ICD-9-CM)	Yes	PR1-PR15																								
PRCCS1-PRCCS15	Core	CCS category for all procedures for NIS beginning in 1998	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	Yes	PRCCS1-PRCCS15														

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PRDAY1	Core	Number of days from admission to principal procedure. In the 1988-1997 NIS, only the day of principal procedure (PRDAY1) is available.	Yes	PRDAY1																								
PRDAY2-PRDAY15	Core	Number of days from admission to secondary procedures. In the 1988-1997 NIS, only the day of principal procedure (PRDAY1) is available.	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	Yes	PRDAY2-PRDAY15														
PRMCCS1	Dx_Pr_Grps	Multi-level clinical classification software (CCS) for principal procedure. Three levels for procedures presenting both the general groupings and very specific conditions	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	PRMCCS1	
PROCESS	Core	Processing number	Yes	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	PROCESS										
PRSYS	Core	Procedure system: (1) ICD-9-CM, (2) CPT-4, (3) HCPCS/CPT-4	Yes	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	PRSYS										
PRV1-PRV15	Core	Procedure validity flag: (0) Indicates a valid and consistent procedure code, (1) Indicates an invalid code for the discharge date	Yes	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	PRV1-PRV15										
RACE	Core	Race, uniform coding: (1) white, (2) black, (3) Hispanic, (4) Asian or Pacific Islander, (5) Native American, (6) other	Yes	RACE																								
S_DISC_S	Hospital	Number of sampled discharges in the stratum STRAT_ST	Yes	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	S_DISC_S										
S_DISC_U	Hospital	Number of sampled discharges in the sampling stratum (NIS_STRATUM or STRATUM)	Yes	S_DISC_U																								
S_HOSP_S	Hospital	Number of sampled hospitals in STRAT_ST	Yes	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	S_HOSP_S										
S_HOSP_U	Hospital	Number of sampled hospitals in the stratum (NIS_STRATUM or STRATUM)	Yes	S_HOSP_U																								
SEQ	Core	Unique record number for NIS prior to 1998	Yes	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	SEQ										
SEQ_SID	Core	Unique record number for NIS 1993-1998	--	--	--	--	--	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	SEQ_SID	
SEX	Core	Indicates gender for NIS prior to 1998: (1) male, (2) female	Yes	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	SEX										
ST_BEDSZ	Hospital	Bed size of hospital: (1) small, (2) medium, (3) large	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	ST_BEDSZ	
ST_OWNER	Hospital	Control/ownership of hospital: (1) public (2) private, non-profit (3) private for profit	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	ST_OWNER	
ST_REG	Hospital	Region of hospital: (1) Northeast, (2) Midwest, (3) South, (4) West	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	ST_REG	
STRAT_ST	Hospital	Stratum for State-specific weights prior to 1998	Yes	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	STRAT_ST										
STRATUM	Hospital	Stratum used to sample hospitals prior to 1998; includes geographic region, control, location/teaching status, and bed size	Yes	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	STRATUM										
SURGID_S	Core	Synthetic secondary physician number in files prior to 2001	Yes	SURGID_S																								
TOTAL_DISC	Hospital	Total number of discharges from this hospital in the NIS	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	Yes	TOTAL_DISC															
TOTCHG	Core	Total charges, edited	Yes	TOTCHG																								
TOTCHG_X	Core	Total charges, as received from data source prior to 2012	Yes	--	TOTCHG_X																							
TOTDSCHG	Hospital	Total number of discharges from this hospital in the NIS	Yes	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	TOTDSCHG										
TRAN_IN	Core	Transfer in Indicator: (0) not a transfer, (1) transferred in from a different acute care hospital [ATYPE NE 4 & (ASOURCE=2 or POO=4)], (2) transferred in from another type of health facility [ATYPE NE 4 & (ASOURCE=3 or POO=5,6)]	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	TRAN_IN	
TRAN_OUT	Core	Transfer out Indicator: (0) not a transfer, (1) transferred out to a different acute care hospital, (2) transferred out to another type of health facility	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	TRAN_OUT	
YEAR	Core, Hospital	Discharge year	Yes	YEAR																								
ZIPINC	Core	Median household income category in 1998-2002 NIS files: (1) \$1-\$24,999, (2) \$25,000-\$34,999, (3) \$35,000-\$44,999, (4) \$45,000 and above	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	ZIPINC	
ZIPINC_QRTL	Core	Median household income national quartiles for patient's ZIP Code	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	Yes	ZIPINC_QRTL									
ZIPINC4	Core	Median household income category in files prior to 1998: (1) \$1-\$25,000, (2) \$25,001-\$30,000, (3) \$30,001-\$35,000, (4) \$35,001 and above	Yes	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	ZIPINC4										

Availability of Data Elements in the 1988-2012-National Inpatient Sample (NIS)

The first column specifies the HCUP data element name. The second column indicates the file(s) in which the data element appears. The next column describes how the data element is defined in the NIS. The remaining columns refer to data years. Cells marked with "Yes" indicate that the data element is available for that year of the NIS. Cells marked with "--" indicate that the data element is not available for that year of the NIS. Refer to the Description of Data Elements for information on how the HCUP data elements are defined. Summary Statistics are available with means on all numeric data elements and frequency distributions on most categorical data elements.

HCUP Data Element	File(s)	Coding Notes	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	HCUP Data Element
ZIPINC8	Core	Median household income category in files prior to 1998: (1) \$1-\$15,000, (2) \$15,001-\$20,000, (3) \$20,001-\$25,000, (4) \$25,001-\$30,000, (5) \$30,001-\$35,000, (6) \$35,001-\$40,000, (7) \$40,001-\$45,000, (8) \$45,001 or more	Yes	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	ZIPINC8										