



2006 Kansas Social Capital Survey

SPSS Data User Notes

User Notes for the Kansas Social Capital 2006 Survey_Data.sav

1. Comparison of Kansas Data File to National Data File

The Roper Center maintains the 2006 Social Capital Community Survey data in its online archive

(http://www.ropercenter.uconn.edu/data_access/data/datasets/social_capital_community_survey_2006.html). The 2006 Social Capital Community Survey is comprised of a national adult sample and twenty-two community samples, including a Kansas sample. The SPSS data file and codebook for the 2006 survey data can be downloaded at no charge.

We made the following changes to the Kansas 2006 Social Capital Community Survey posted on the Kansas Health Institute (KHI) website.

- The variable naming convention used in the files downloaded from the Roper Center is to create variable names that are short 'handles' for the survey questions (e.g., FRDVISIT). We changed the variable names to correspond to the survey question number (e.g., Q56F). We made these changes to make it easier for the analyst to find specific variables, cross-check codes, and sort variables.
- The codebook for the Kansas data reflects our variable naming convention.
- The Roper data set includes missing value codes that are not part of the question responses in the 2006 Social Capital Community Survey. The KHI data set does not include the value labels for these nonexistent missing values:

- 9 : Other
- 7 : Don't know (Combined with 98)
- 6: Refused (Combined with 99)
- 5: No Answer
- 4: Blank

2. Declaring Missing Values

No variable values in the Kansas 2006 Social Capital Community Survey were declared missing. The Roper data set contains pre-determined missing values (in the missing column of the Variable View).

3. Social Capital Scales

Scale construction information for the social capital components (e.g., social trust) is described in the KHI 2006 Social Capital Community Survey Report. The SPSS syntax used to construct the social capital scales is available at the Roper site for the 2000 Social Capital Community Survey.