

UnderStandingAmericaStudy

UAS1 - SCORING EXPLANATION



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The score of each respondent for the Lipkus items in the UAS 1 data set (lip001-lip009, lip012, lip015, lip017) is to be interpreted as follows:

- The id variable is equal to uasid in the main data set.
- Each variable is named lip#_C to indicate whether the answer is correct. For example the correct response for lip001 is saved as lip001_C.
- Item lip001 is correct if the subject entered a whole number between 490 and 510.
- For lip002 the only correct response is 10.
- For lip003 the only correct response is .1.
- For lip004 the only correct response is 4. Note that lip004 was not administered to all respondents. Specifically, everyone in the uas1 data set that completed the survey prior to 11:13 am on August 25th, 2014) did not get lip004. Everyone after that date/time did. In the data this can be seen by looking at whether lip004 has a value of "." (never received the question) versus an actual value or ".e" (received the question but did not answer it). In the scoring of lip004 in lip004_C missing responses are coded as 9.
- For lip005 the only correct response is 29.
- For lip006 the only correct response is 20.
- For lip007 the only correct response is "3 Has lost money".
- For lip008 the only correct response is 100.
- For lip009 the only correct response is 20.
- For lip012 the only correct response is 9 out of 19.
- For lip015 5 or .05 are accepted as a correct response.
- For lip017 the only correct response is 47.

- Num_sum1 is the score over all items except for lip004. This is the score applicable to everyone who did not receive lip004, i.e. the value of lip004 in the main data set is “.”
- Num_sum2 is the score over all items including lip004. This is the score applicable to everyone who did receive lip004, i.e. the value of lip004 in the main data set is an actual value or “.e”.