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Section: Identification variable

Variable Name: **PUMFID** *Position:* 1 *Length:* 5

Record Identification Number

Coverage: All respondents

Section: Demographic variables

Variable Name: **PROV1** *Position:* 6 *Length:* 2

Province of residence

		FREQ	WTD
10	Newfoundland and Labrador	1,427	204,778
11	Prince Edward Island	1,039	54,901
12	Nova Scotia	2,151	388,911
13	New Brunswick	2,049	308,414
24	Quebec	7,255	3,270,595
35	Ontario	10,935	4,790,585
46	Manitoba	2,617	448,116
47	Saskatchewan	2,680	388,462
48	Alberta	3,842	1,284,111
59	British Columbia	4,494	1,761,971
		=====	=====
		38,489	12,900,844

Coverage: All respondents

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Variable Name: **CMA1** *Position:* 8 *Length:* 2

Census Metropolitan Area

		FREQ	WTD
00	Non CMA	25,013	5,434,662
01	Halifax	885	165,780
02	Quebec	513	337,316
03	Montreal	1,550	1,569,264
04	Ottawa	602	380,915
05	Toronto	1,741	1,836,088
06	Kitchener	489	179,311
07	Hamilton	519	290,573
08	St.Catharines - Niagara	597	167,593
09	London	625	200,255
10	Windsor	449	136,242
11	Winnipeg	1,367	289,736
12	Calgary	904	466,623
13	Edmonton	957	393,648
14	Vancouver	1,590	887,293
15	Victoria	688	165,545
		=====	=====
		38,489	12,900,844

Coverage: All respondents

Section: Telephone service variables

Variable Name: **RTS_Q01B** *Position:* 10 *Length:* 1

How many different telephone numbers are there for your residence? Include cellular phone numbers and phone numbers used for business.
Exclude pager numbers.

		FREQ	WTD
0	0	606	156,476
1	1	17,616	5,682,533
2	2	11,069	3,687,542
3	3 or more	9,198	3,374,293
		=====	=====
		38,489	12,900,844

Coverage: All respondents

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Variable Name: **RTS_Q01C** *Position:* 11 *Length:* 1

Are all of these numbers cellular phone numbers?

		FREQ	WTD
1	Yes	1,538	615,731
2	No	36,321	12,115,621
6	Valid skip	606	156,476
7	Don't know	7	3,862
8	Refusal	7	2,558
9	Not stated	10	6,596
		=====	=====
		38,489	12,900,844

Coverage: Respondents who have at least one phone number

Variable Name: **RTS_Q02** *Position:* 12 *Length:* 1

Why don't you have a phone?

		FREQ	WTD
1	Cancelled it	48	12,364
2	Can't afford it	378	90,709
3	Moved	20	7,624
4	All other responses	130	35,147
6	Valid skip	37,883	12,744,368
7	Don't know	9	3,559
8	Refusal	9	2,341
9	Not stated	12	4,733
		=====	=====
		38,489	12,900,844

Coverage: Respondents who do not have phones (RTS_Q01B=0)

Variable Name: **RTS_Q03** *Position:* 13 *Length:* 1

Why did you cancel it?

		FREQ	WTD
1	Can't afford it	24	6,154
2	Moved	4	930
3	All other responses	16	4,802
6	Valid skip	38,411	12,877,847
7	Don't know	3	408
8	Refusal	1	70
9	Not stated	30	10,633
		=====	=====
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Coverage: Respondents whose reason for not having a phone is because they cancelled it (RTS_Q02=1)

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Variable Name: **RTS_Q04A** *Position:* 14 *Length:* 1

I am going to read a list of most common charges which could be on a telephone bill. Please tell me which of these charges you find difficult to afford.

...The installation charge

		FREQ	WTD
1	Yes	313	72,530
2	No	73	19,698
6	Valid skip	38,049	12,791,941
7	Don't know	7	1,309
8	Refusal	7	2,987
9	Not stated	40	12,379
		=====	=====
		38,489	12,900,844

Coverage: Respondents who cannot afford a phone (RTS_Q02=2 or RTS_Q03=1)

Variable Name: **RTS_Q04B** *Position:* 15 *Length:* 1

I am going to read a list of most common charges which could be on a telephone bill. Please tell me which of these charges you find difficult to afford.

...The security deposit

		FREQ	WTD
1	Yes	248	55,822
2	No	138	36,406
6	Valid skip	38,049	12,791,941
7	Don't know	7	1,309
8	Refusal	7	2,987
9	Not stated	40	12,379
		=====	=====
		38,489	12,900,844

Coverage: Respondents who cannot afford a phone (RTS_Q02=2 or RTS_Q03=1)

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Variable Name: **RTS_Q04C** *Position:* 16 *Length:* 1

I am going to read a list of most common charges which could be on a telephone bill. Please tell me which of these charges you find difficult to afford.

...Monthly charge for your basic phone line which includes local calls

		FREQ	WTD
1	Yes	319	78,118
2	No	67	14,110
6	Valid skip	38,049	12,791,941
7	Don't know	7	1,309
8	Refusal	7	2,987
9	Not stated	40	12,379
		=====	=====
		38,489	12,900,844

Coverage: Respondents who cannot afford a phone (RTS_Q02=2 or RTS_Q03=1)

Variable Name: **RTS_Q04D** *Position:* 17 *Length:* 1

I am going to read a list of most common charges which could be on a telephone bill. Please tell me which of these charges you find difficult to afford.

...Optional features and/or set charges

		FREQ	WTD
1	Yes	153	38,617
2	No	233	53,611
6	Valid skip	38,049	12,791,941
7	Don't know	7	1,309
8	Refusal	7	2,987
9	Not stated	40	12,379
		=====	=====
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Coverage: Respondents who cannot afford a phone (RTS_Q02=2 or RTS_Q03=1)

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Variable Name: **RTS_Q04E** *Position:* 18 *Length:* 1

I am going to read a list of most common charges which could be on a telephone bill. Please tell me which of these charges you find difficult to afford.

...Long distance charges

		FREQ	WTD
1	Yes	175	37,704
2	No	211	54,524
6	Valid skip	38,049	12,791,941
7	Don't know	7	1,309
8	Refusal	7	2,987
9	Not stated	40	12,379
		=====	=====
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Coverage: Respondents who cannot afford a phone (RTS_Q02=2 or RTS_Q03=1)

Variable Name: **RTS_Q04F** *Position:* 19 *Length:* 1

I am going to read a list of most common charges which could be on a telephone bill. Please tell me which of these charges you find difficult to afford.

...Other usage charges (i.e. 900 service, * features, directory assistance,etc.)

		FREQ	WTD
1	Yes	93	20,288
2	No	293	71,940
6	Valid skip	38,049	12,791,941
7	Don't know	7	1,309
8	Refusal	7	2,987
9	Not stated	40	12,379
		=====	=====
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Coverage: Respondents who cannot afford a phone (RTS_Q02=2 or RTS_Q03=1)

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Variable Name: **RTS_Q05** *Position:* 20 *Length:* 1

If there were an emergency at home, would members of your household have easy access to a neighbour's phone?

		FREQ	WTD
1	Yes	432	105,870
2	No	133	36,732
6	Valid skip	37,883	12,744,368
7	Don't know	14	4,687
8	Refusal	11	3,697
9	Not stated	16	5,490
		=====	=====
		38,489	12,900,844

Coverage: Respondents who do not have phones (RTS_Q01B=0)

Variable Name: **RTS_Q06** *Position:* 21 *Length:* 1

If there were an emergency at home, would members of your household have easy access to a payphone near your residence?

		FREQ	WTD
1	Yes	343	99,147
2	No	224	44,900
6	Valid skip	37,883	12,744,368
7	Don't know	10	3,008
8	Refusal	13	3,931
9	Not stated	16	5,490
		=====	=====
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Coverage: Respondents who do not have phones (RTS_Q01B=0)

Variable Name: **RTS_Q07** *Position:* 22 *Length:* 1

If there were an emergency at home, would any member of your household have convenient access to a telephone near your residence, at another location not already mentioned?

		FREQ	WTD
1	Yes	311	75,138
2	No	249	66,946
6	Valid skip	37,883	12,744,368
7	Don't know	15	4,629
8	Refusal	15	4,273
9	Not stated	16	5,490
		=====	=====
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Coverage: Respondents who do not have phones (RTS_Q01B=0)

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Variable Name: **RTS_Q08** *Position:* 23 *Length:* 1

In 2004, was your total annual household income before taxes and deductions less or more than low income cutoff (LICO)?

		FREQ	WTD
1	Less than LICO	7,881	2,602,982
2	More than LICO	26,696	8,981,379
7	Don't know	2,330	771,855
8	Refusal	1,521	503,947
9	Not stated	61	40,681
		=====	=====
		38,489	12,900,844

Coverage: All respondents

Section: Derived demographic variables

Variable Name: **SZCODE1** *Position:* 24 *Length:* 1

Size of area of residence

		FREQ	WTD
1	Urban, population of 500,000 or more	8,938	6,281,168
2	Urban, population of 100,000 - 499,999	10,074	2,055,381
3	Urban, population of 30,000 - 99,999	4,680	1,227,442
4	Urban, population of 15,000 - 29,999	3,806	845,626
5	Urban, population under 15,000	4,139	957,251
6	Rural areas	6,852	1,533,977
		=====	=====
		38,489	12,900,844

Coverage: All respondents

Variable Name: **SZCODE3** *Position:* 25 *Length:* 2

Size of area of residence

		FREQ	WTD
10	Urban, population of 500,000 or more	8,938	6,281,168
20	Urban, population of 100,000 - 499,999	10,074	2,055,381
30	Urban, population of 30,000 - 99,999	4,680	1,227,442
40	Urban, population of 15,000 - 29,999	3,806	845,626
51	Urban, population of 2,500 - 14,999	3,094	738,325
52	Urban, population under 2,500	1,045	218,926
60	Rural areas	6,852	1,533,977
		=====	=====
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Coverage: All respondents

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Section: Weight variable

Variable Name: **WTHP** *Position:* 27 *Length:* 12.4

Survey weight of a household, i.e. the number of households in the population represented by a record.

Coverage: All respondents

Note: Physical decimal present in eighth position. For example, a weight of 1,234.56 is saved as 0001234.5600.

Section: Survey date

Variable Name: **SDATE** *Position:* 39 *Length:* 6

Survey date (YYYYMM)

		FREQ	WTD
200512	200512	38,489	12,900,844
		=====	=====
		38,489	12,900,844

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