

Cancer

PROGRAMS

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Summary of Changes to 2021 PUF

The following changes have been made to the 2021 PUF.

Diagnosis Years

An additional diagnosis year of data was added, and follow-up was updated. PUF data files now include patients diagnosed between 2004 and 2021.

Variable Changes

1. **AJCC TNM Post Therapy Clin (yc) T.** This variable is a new variable to the PUF.
2. **AJCC TNM Post Therapy Clin (yc) T Suffix.** This variable is a new variable to the PUF.
3. **AJCC TNM Post Therapy Clin (yc) N.** This variable is a new variable to the PUF.
4. **AJCC TNM Post Therapy Clin (yc) N Suffix.** This variable is a new variable to the PUF.
5. **AJCC TNM Post Therapy Clin (yc) M.** This variable is a new variable to the PUF.
6. **Grade Post Therapy Clin (yc).** This variable is a new variable to the PUF.
7. **Vital Status, 30- and 90-Day Mortality, Last Contact or Death, Months from Dx** all end at the 2020 diagnosis year.

Scripts

In the SAS and SPSS scripts all data types are defined as character, however, investigators can choose to edit the data type as they see fit.