

Canadian Century Research Infrastructure Project

Class of House Background

Root variable: Class of House

Synopsis of code set construction:

This code set was constructed using the expected responses from the Enumerator Guides and the Dominion Bureau of Statistics (DBS) code books, and by consulting the microdata for imputed values DBS did not expect or did not distinguish. Any imputed value that was a sensible response was given a code.

Understanding the numeric code:

This code has one or two digits. It is a standard sequence. There are no parent codes.

Code set application notes:

- Those values that did not fit the established code set were mapped to “Other Dwelling, n.e.c.” as long as they were some sort of building.
- In general, those values with only one letter, for example “W” were mapped to uncodeable. However, others with one letter were mapped, if they were a known abbreviation. For example “R” was mapped to “Row or Terrace.” Generally, if the value could apply to more than one value (for example, “W” was mapped to Uncodeable because it might refer to wood, or wagon), it was mapped as Uncodeable.
- In some cases, an abbreviation was backwards. For example, “DS” was mapped to “Semi-detached.”