**CONSTAT1**: “Current contraceptive status”

This recode is designed to show current contraceptive status as used in Cycles 3, 4, 5, 6, 2006-2010, and 2011-2013 of the NSFG. It refers to the method used in the month of interview, or “current month.” In cases where multiple methods were used in the current (interview) month, CONSTAT1 codes the HIGHEST priority method reported, according to a predetermined ranking of use-effectiveness, as used in earlier NSFG cycles. Up to four methods for the current month are ranked; the second, third, and fourth highest priority methods are coded in CONSTAT2-CONSTAT4, respectively. (See specifications that follow CONSTAT1.)

Code categories for CONSTAT1 are arranged below to distinguish contraceptors from noncontraceptors for analytic purposes.

**Using Contraception:**

01= Female sterilization
02= Male sterilization
03= Hormonal implant
05= Depo-Provera (injectable)
06= Pill
07= Contraceptive Patch
08= Contraceptive Ring
09= Emergency contraception
10= IUD
11= Diaphragm (with or w/out jelly or cream)
12= (Male) Condom
13= Female condom/vaginal pouch
14= Foam
15= Cervical Cap
16= Today(TM) Sponge
17= Suppository or insert
18= Jelly or cream (not with diaphragm)
19= Periodic abstinence: NFP, cervical mucus test or temperature rhythm
20= Periodic abstinence: calendar rhythm
21= Withdrawal
22= Other method

**Not using contraception:**

30= Pregnant
31= Seeking Pregnancy
32= Postpartum
33= Sterile--nonsurgical--female
34= Sterile--nonsurgical--male
35= Sterile--surgical--female (noncontraceptive)
36= Sterile--surgical--male (noncontraceptive)
37= [code not used]
38= Sterile--unknown reasons -male
39= [code not used]
40= Other nonuser--never had intercourse since first period
41= Other nonuser--has had intercourse, but not in the 3 months prior to interview
42= Other nonuser--had intercourse in the 3 months prior to interview
88= inapplicable (no 2nd, 3rd, or 4th method reported -- applies to CONSTAT2-CONSTAT4 only)

If R is pregnant at interview (RCURPREG=YES), then CONSTAT1=30.
Else, if R or her current husband or cohabiting partner is surgically sterile at interview (STRLOPER NE 5) Or she reported any sterilizing operation in the method history calendar:

CONSTAT1=01 (sterile--surgical--female):
   If FECUND=1 and (STRLOPER in(1,2) or (STRLOPER=4 and rsurgstr=yes))
   or
   If FECUND NE 3 and (ED-6 METHHISTnnn-METHHISTnnnn+4 for month of interview = 6)

Else CONSTAT1=35 (sterile --surgical—female (noncontraceptive))
   If FECUND=2 and (STRLOPER in(1,2) or (STRLOPER=4 and rsurgstr=yes))

Else CONSTAT1=02 (sterile--surgical--male):
   If FECUND=1 and (STRLOPER=3 or (STRLOPER=4 and psurgstr=yes))
   or
   If (ED-6 METHHISTnnn-METHHISTnnnn+4 for month of interview = 5)

Else CONSTAT1=36 (sterile--surgical—male (noncontraceptive)):
   If FECUND=2 and (STRLOPER=3 or (STRLOPER=4 and psurgstr=yes))

Else, if R is nonsurgically sterile (FECUND=3 and DE-1 POSIBLPG=5), then

CONSTAT1=33 (sterile--nonsurgical--female)
Else, if R’s current husband or partner is nonsurgically sterile (FECUND=3 and DE-3 POSIBLMN=5), then

CONSTAT1=34 (sterile--nonsurgical--male)

Else,
If R is using any method in the month of interview, (ED-6 METHHISTnnn for month of interview)* NE 1 and NE system-missing (inapplicable):
*[only need to check the first METHHIST variable because looking for “no method”]

   If R is using only 1 method, CONSTAT1=this method,
   CONSTAT1=(ED-6 METHHISTnnn for month of interview)

   If R is using 2 or more methods:
   CONSTAT1= method in (ED-6 METHHISTnnn - METHHISTnnn+4 for month of interview)
The table below lists methods in order of priority (from highest to lowest) and gives the code equivalents for ED-6 METHHIST and CONSTAT1.

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Else, if R is seeking pregnancy (EH-1 WYNOTUSE =1 or EH-2 HPPREGQ =1):

CONSTAT1=31.

Else, if R is postpartum, as defined by:

-- Interview Date (Month/Day/Year of interview) is before the 15th day of the month, and the difference between the interview month (cmintvw) and the month of the last pregnancy termination (computed variable cmrstprg) is less than or equal to 2 months, or

-- Interview date (Month/Day/Year of interview) is on or after the 15th day of the month and the difference between the interview month (cmintvw) and the month of the last pregnancy termination (computed variable cmrstprg) is less than or equal to 1 month.

then

CONSTAT1=32
Note: Computed variable cmlstprg is defined in Flow Check B-42d in the CAPI Reference Questionnaire.

Else, if R never had intercourse since her first menstrual period (SEXEVER=2), then

   CONSTAT1=40

Else, if (ED-6 METHHISTnnn for month of interview)=1 (no method used), or ANYMTHD=2 (never used a method) then:

   CONSTAT1=41  If R had no intercourse in the 3 months prior to interview (SEXP3MO=2)
   CONSTAT1=42  If R had intercourse in the 3 months prior to interview (SEXP3MO=1)