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MEPS Web Analytical Tools

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MEPSnet Query Tools

MEPSnet is a collection of analytical tools that operate on MEPS data in two categories:

- MEPSnet/Household Component
- MEPSnet/Insurance Component

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MEPSnet Query Tool

MEPSnet HC Query:

What were the average prescribed drug expenses for those 65 and over compared to those under 65?

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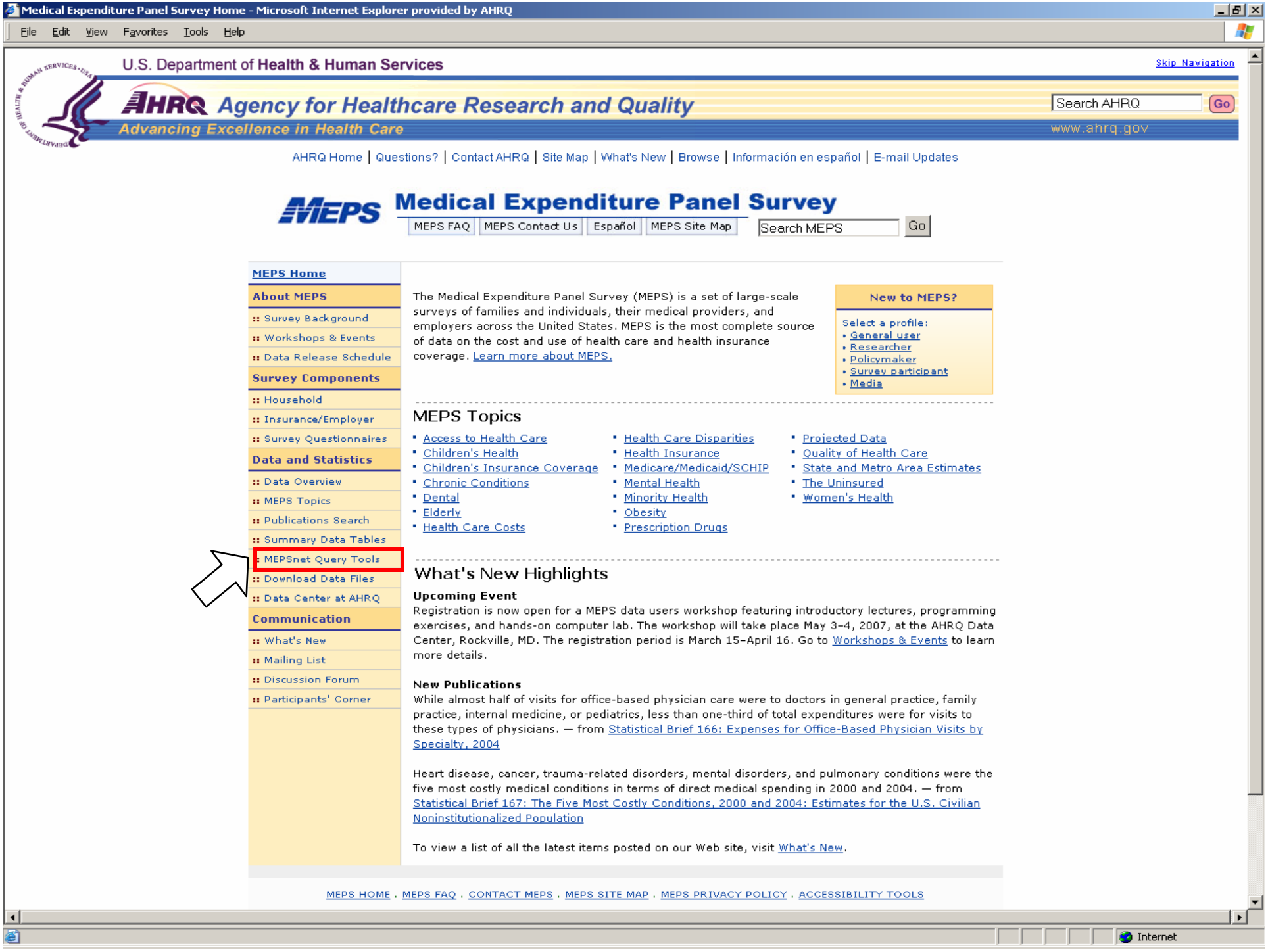

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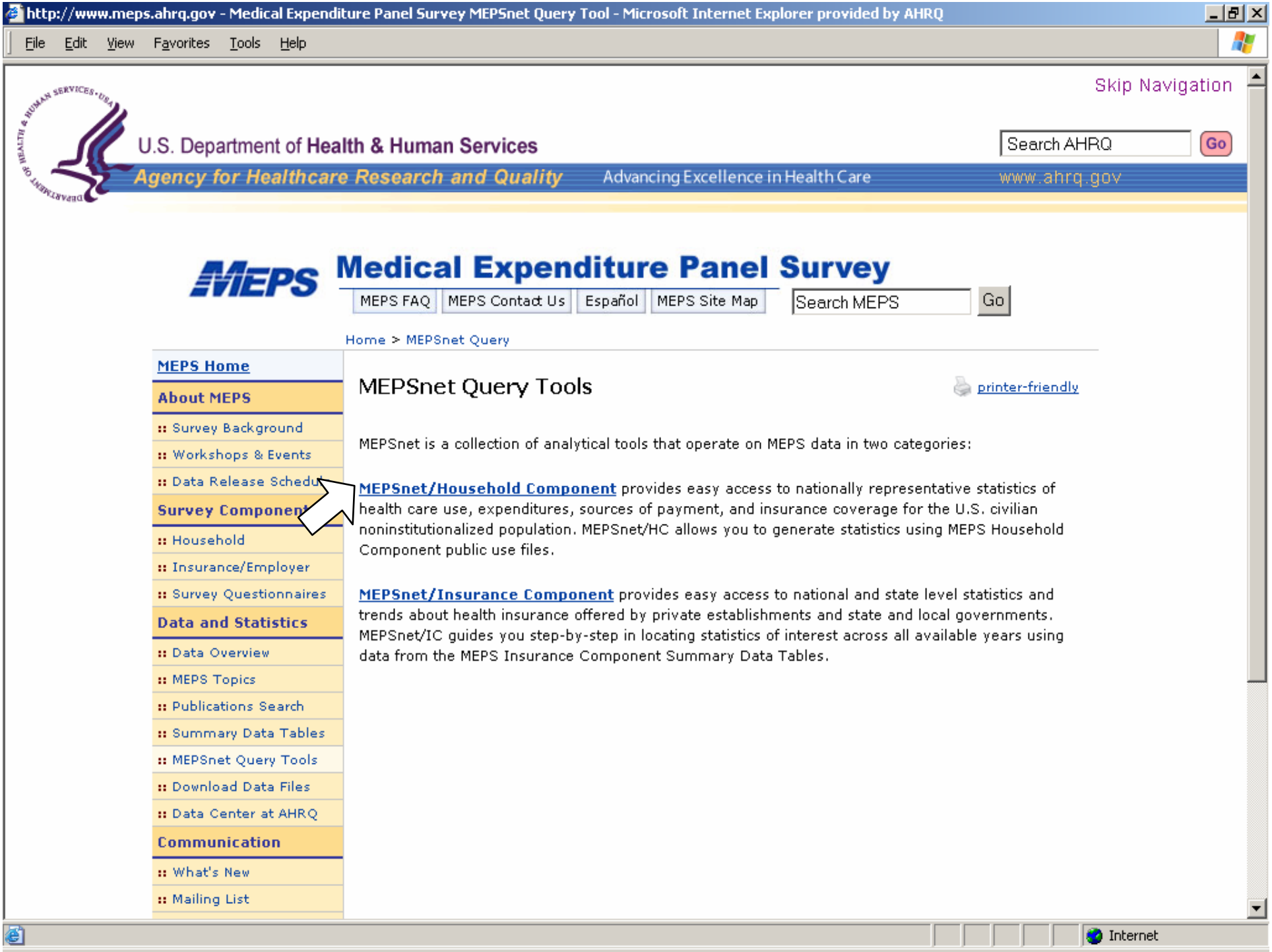

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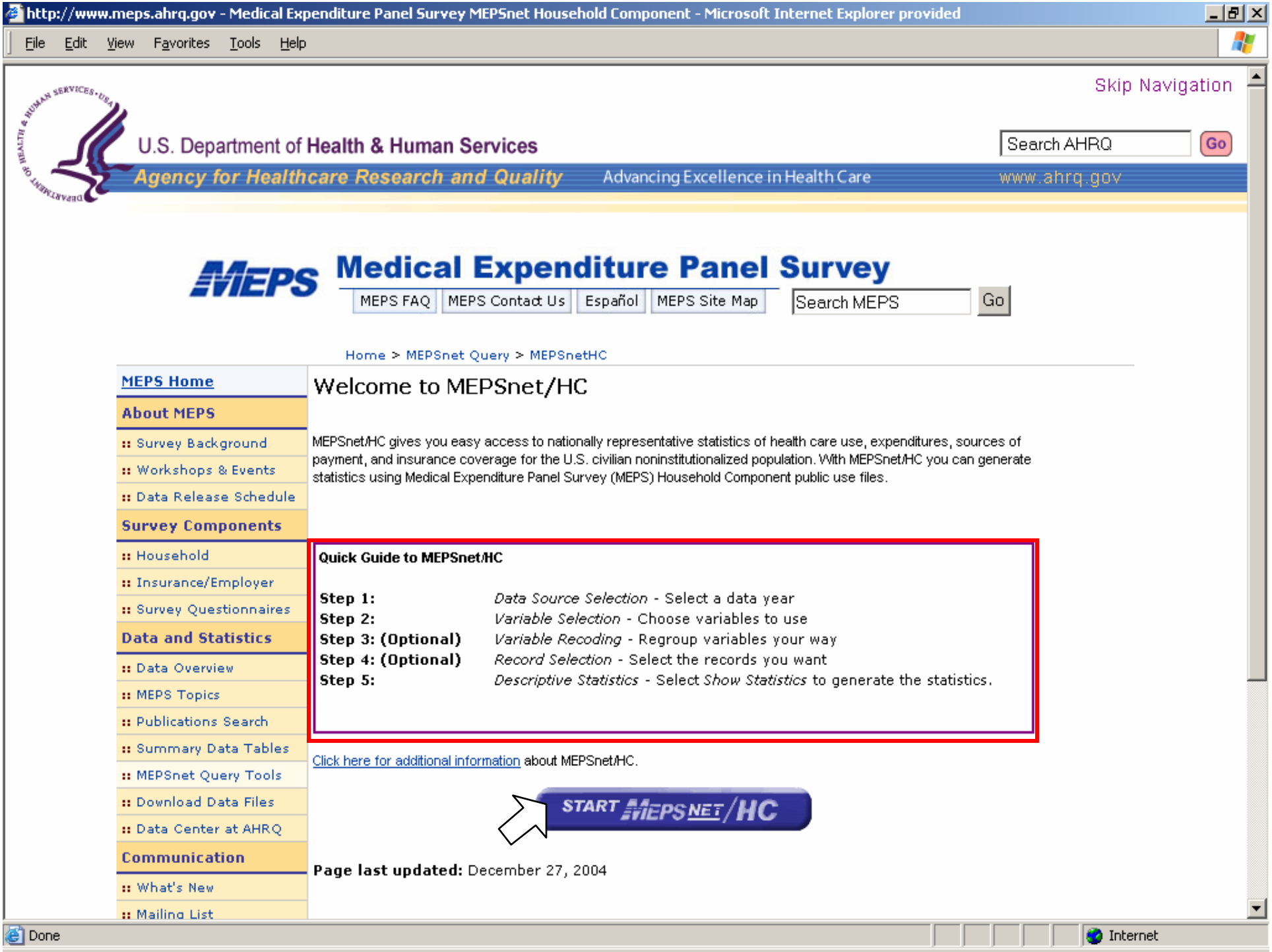

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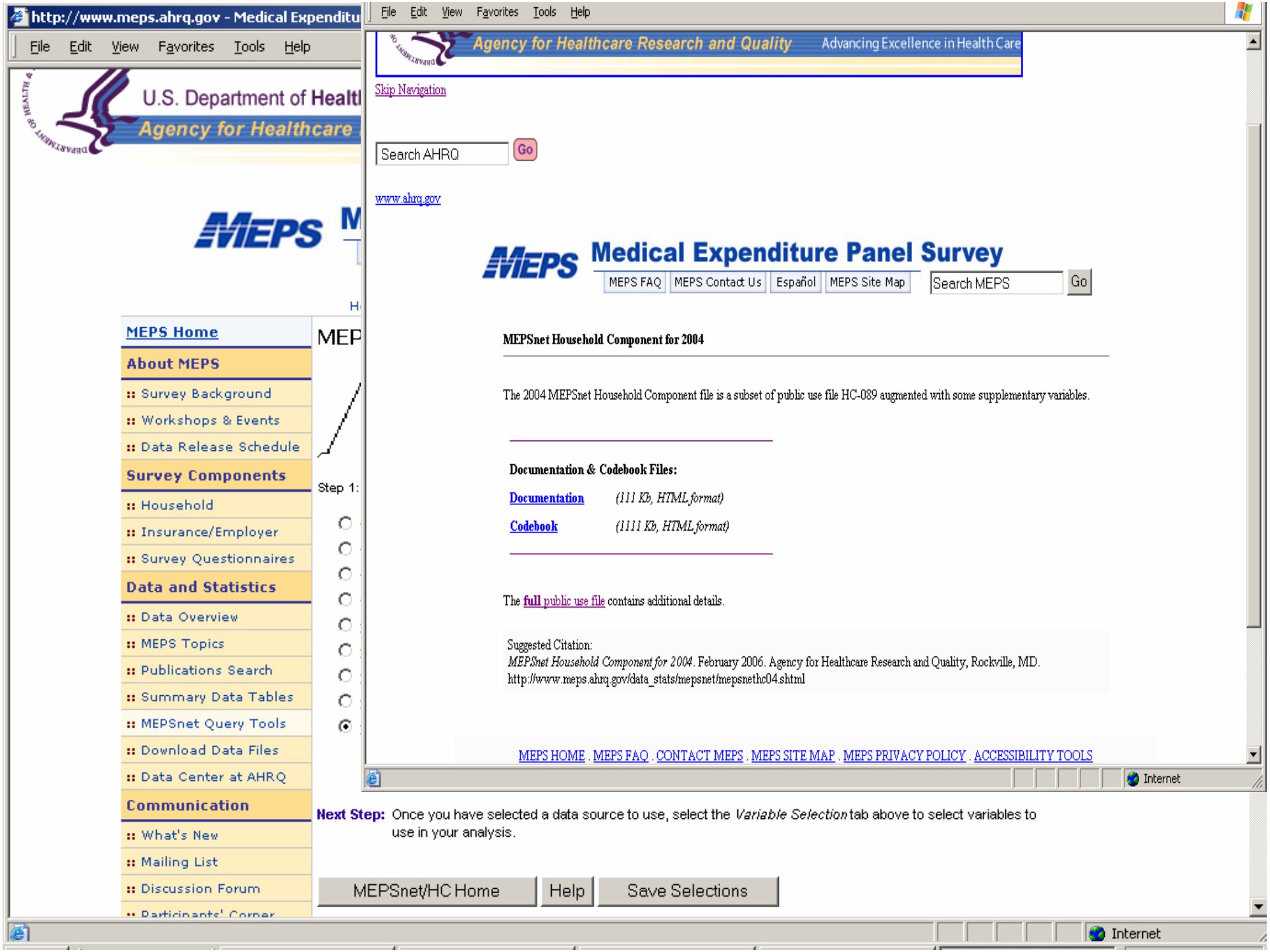

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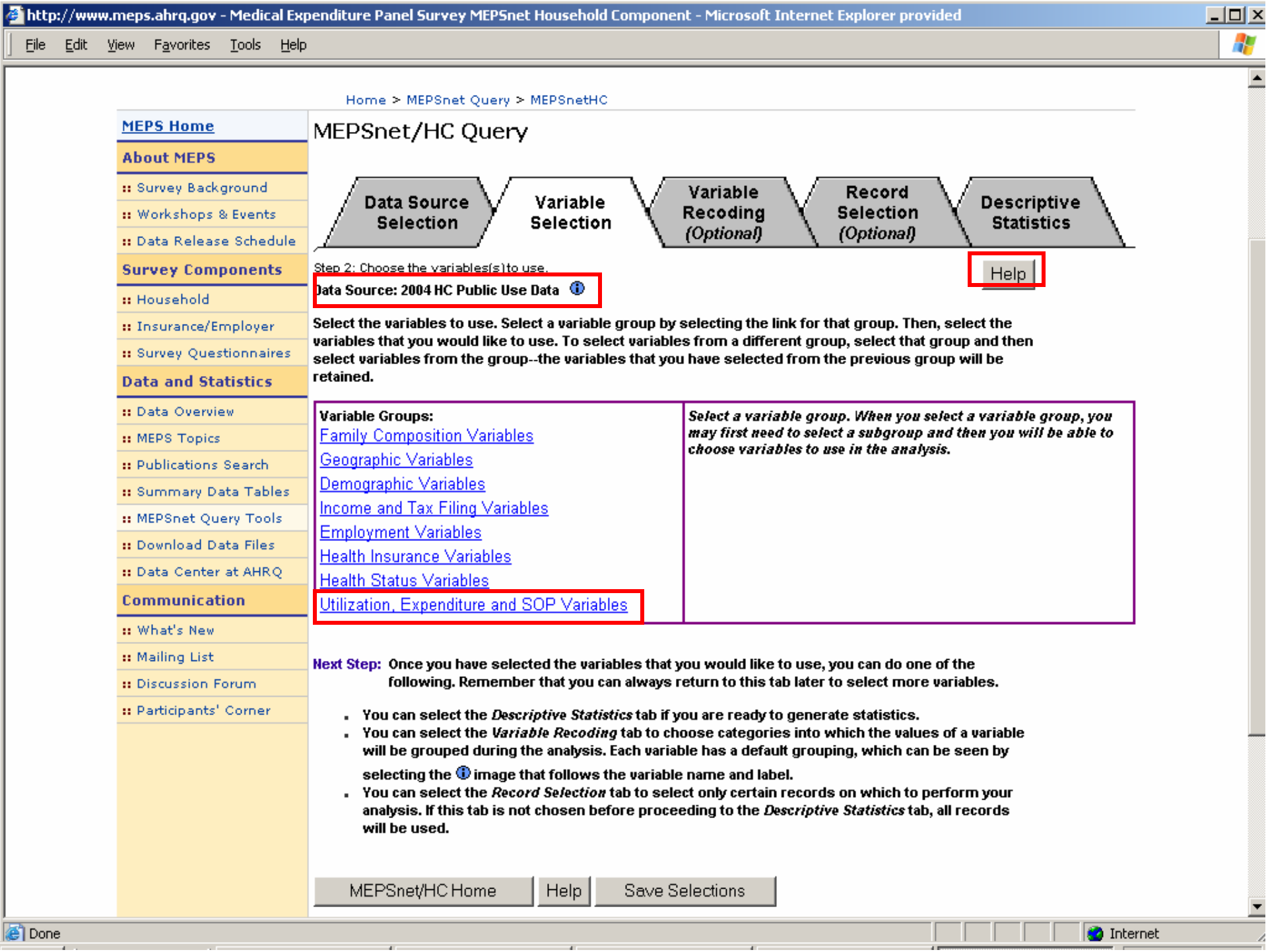

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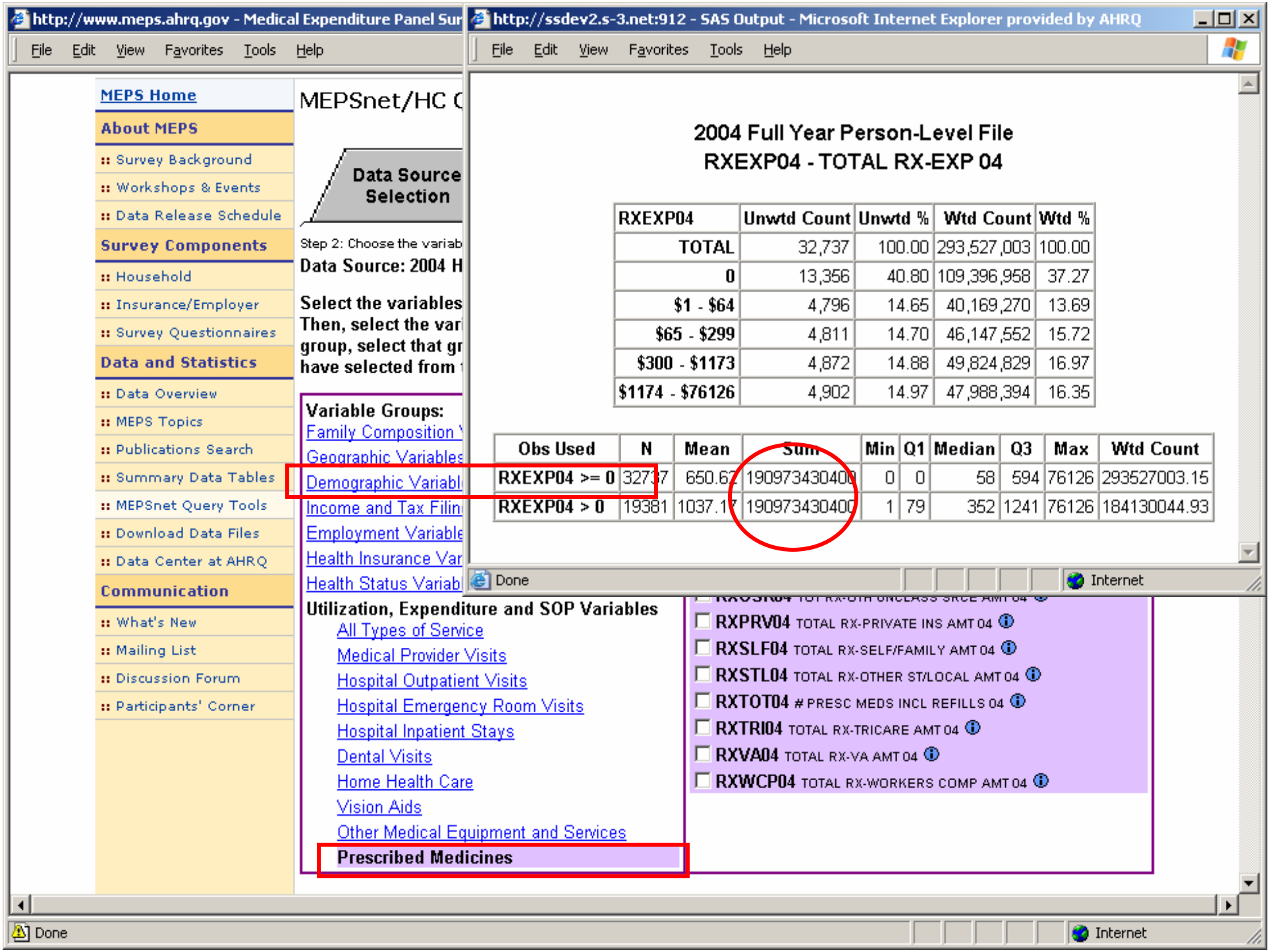

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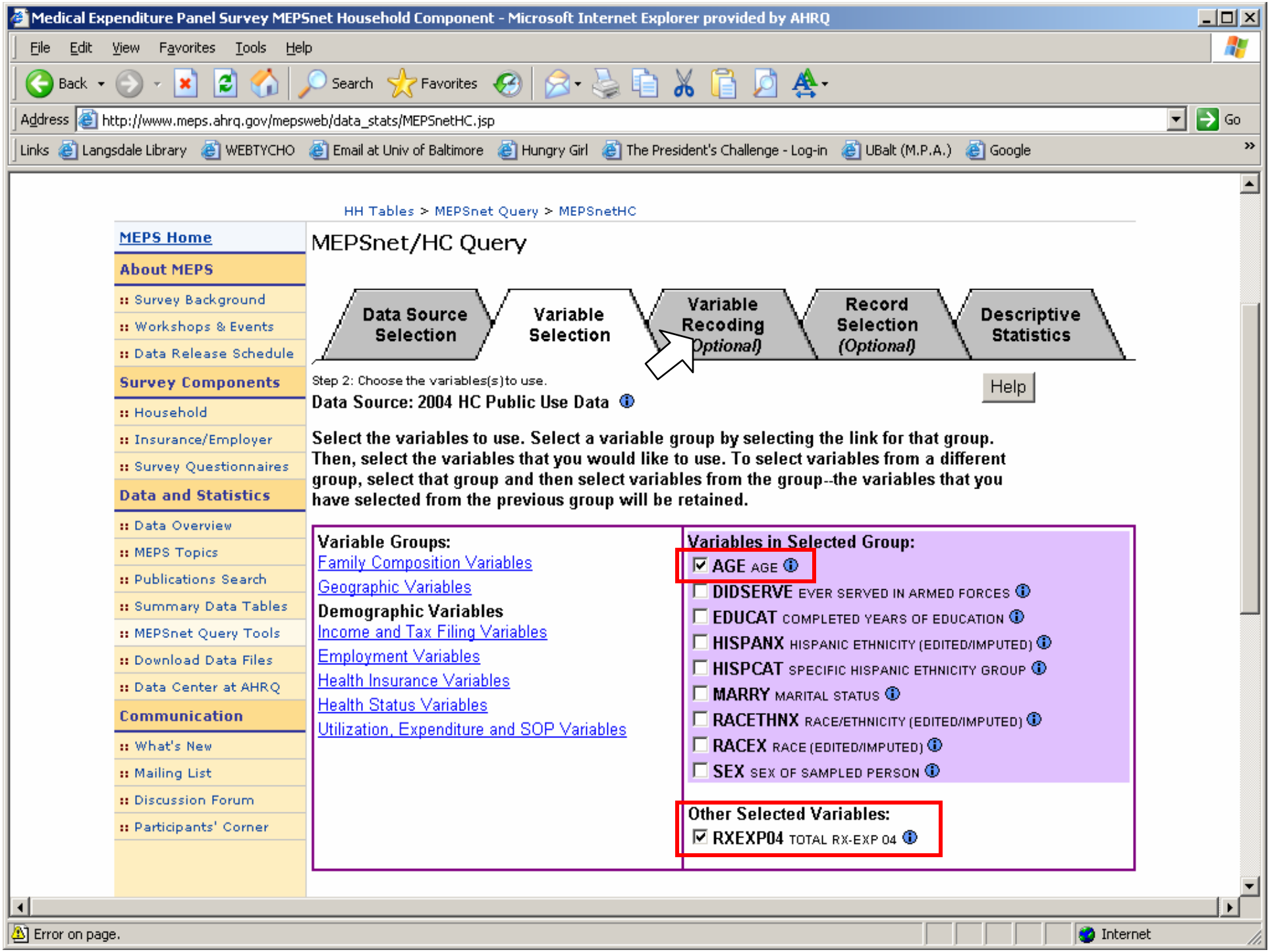

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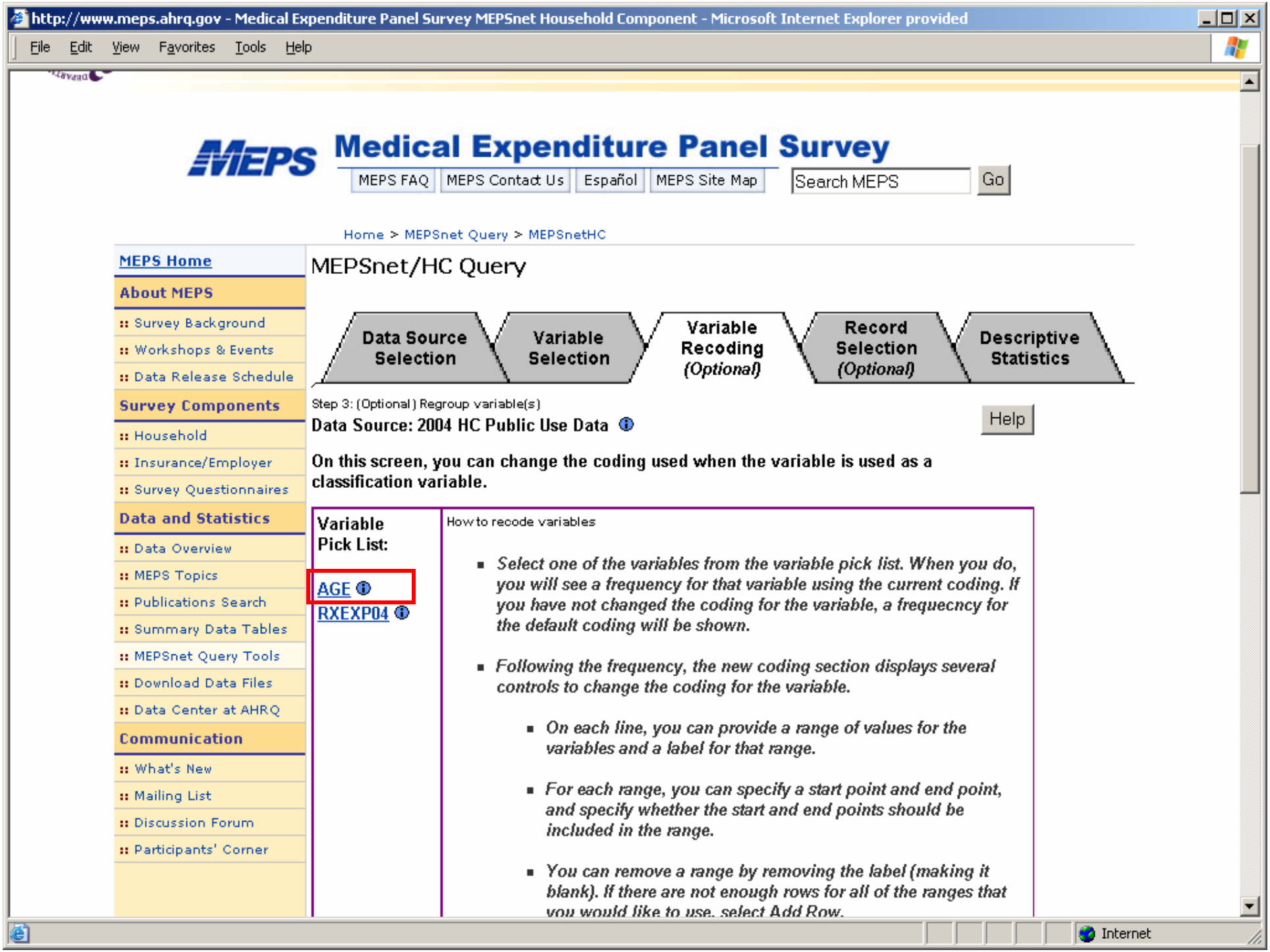

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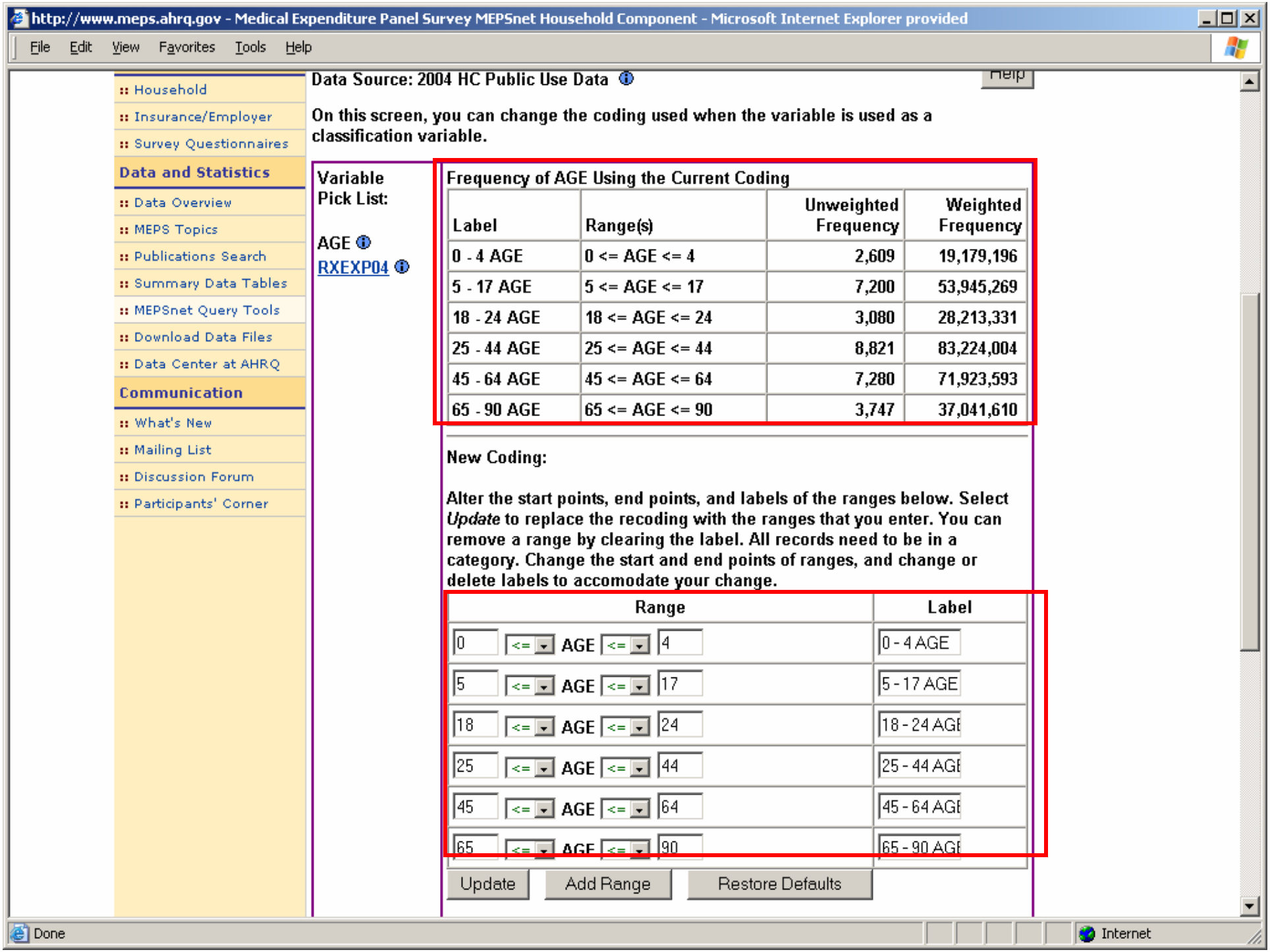

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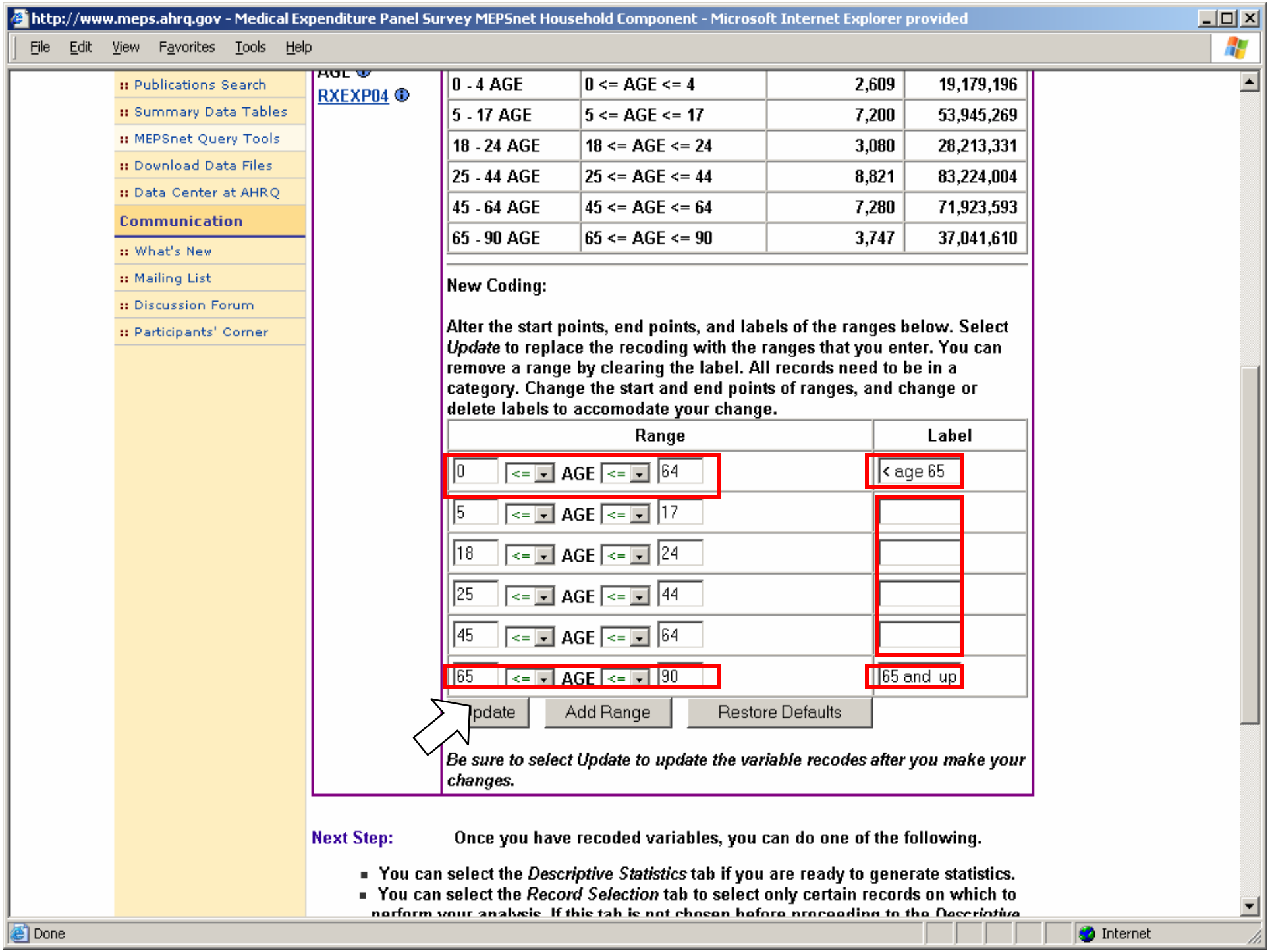

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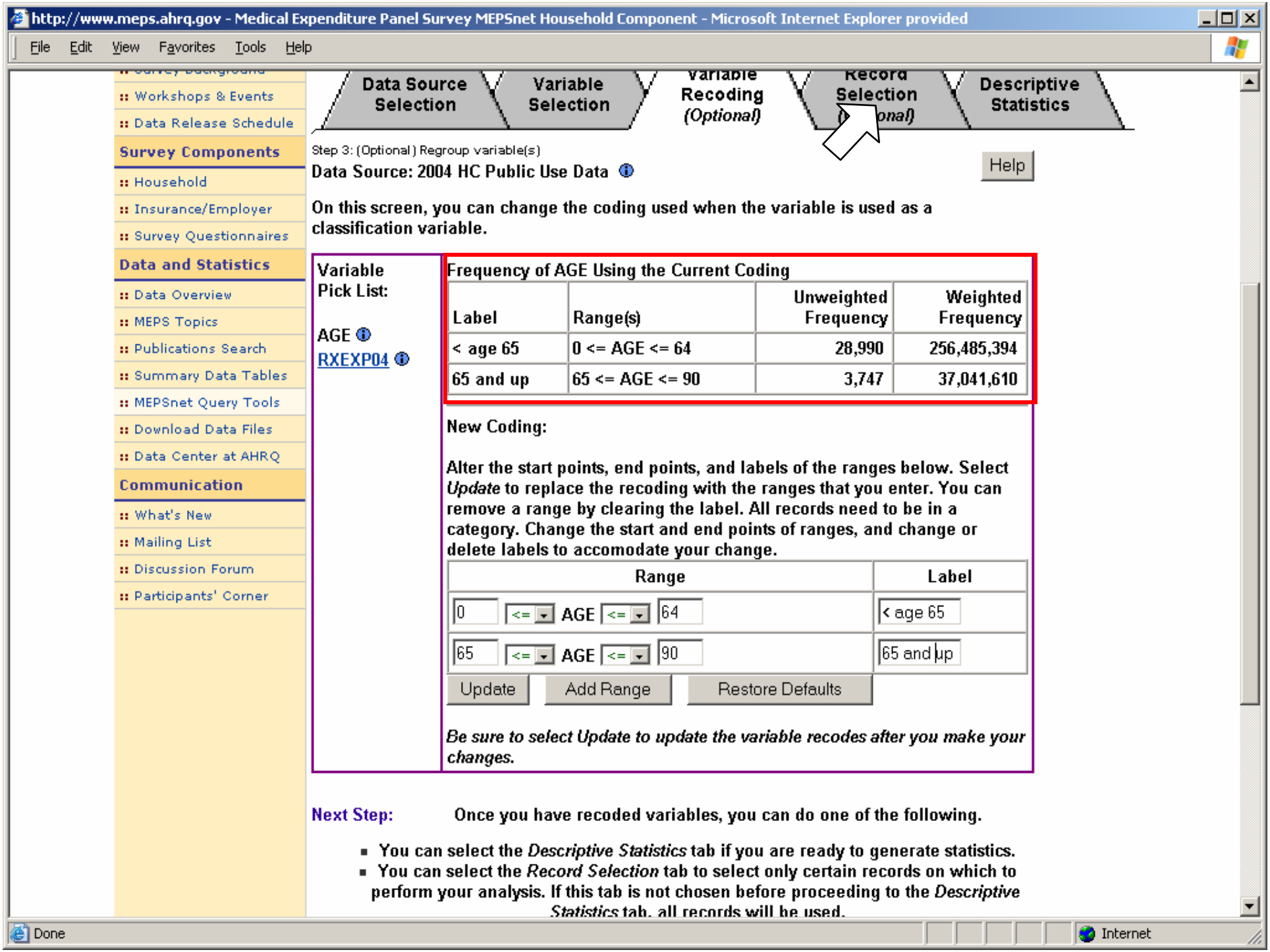

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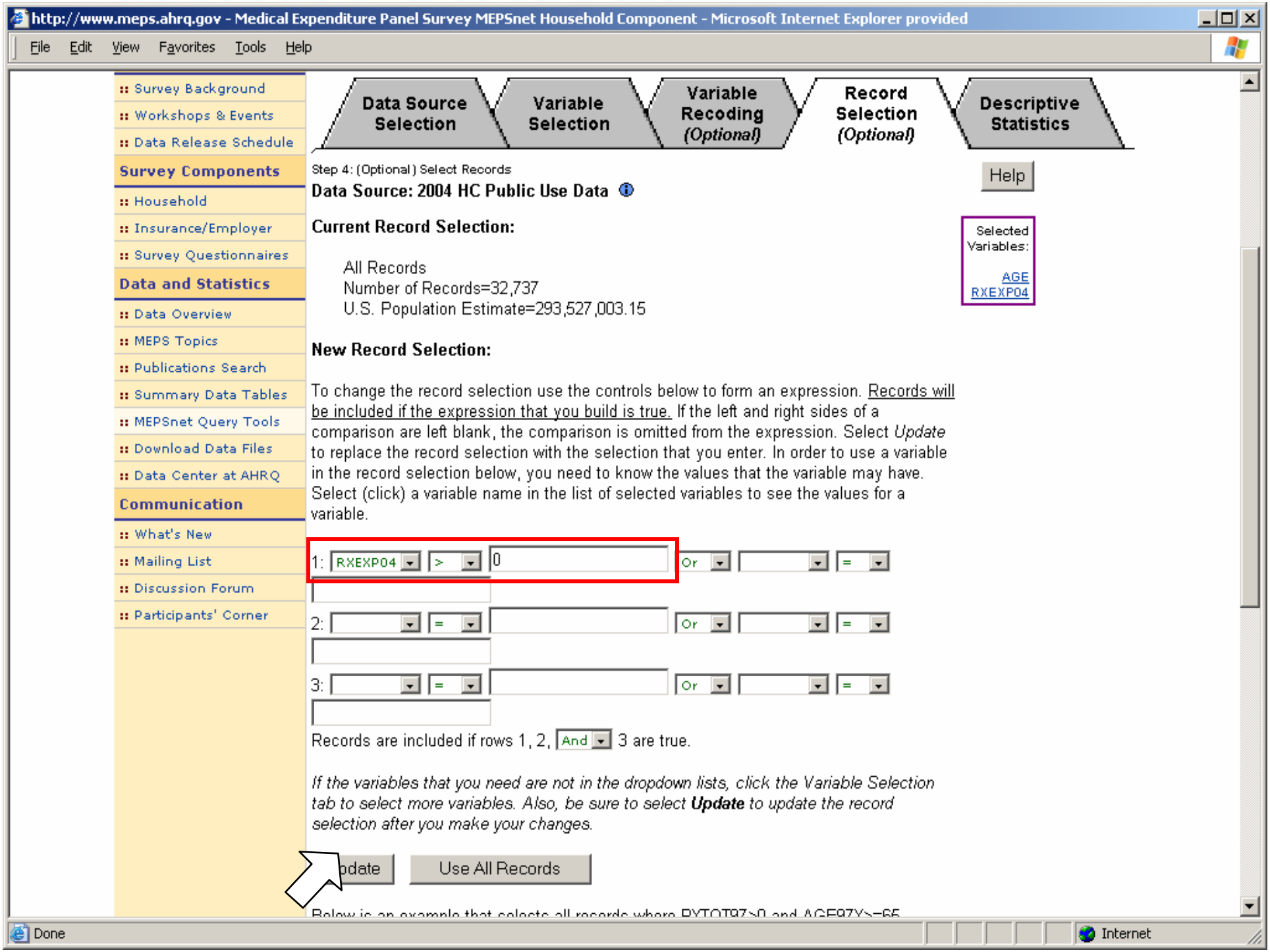

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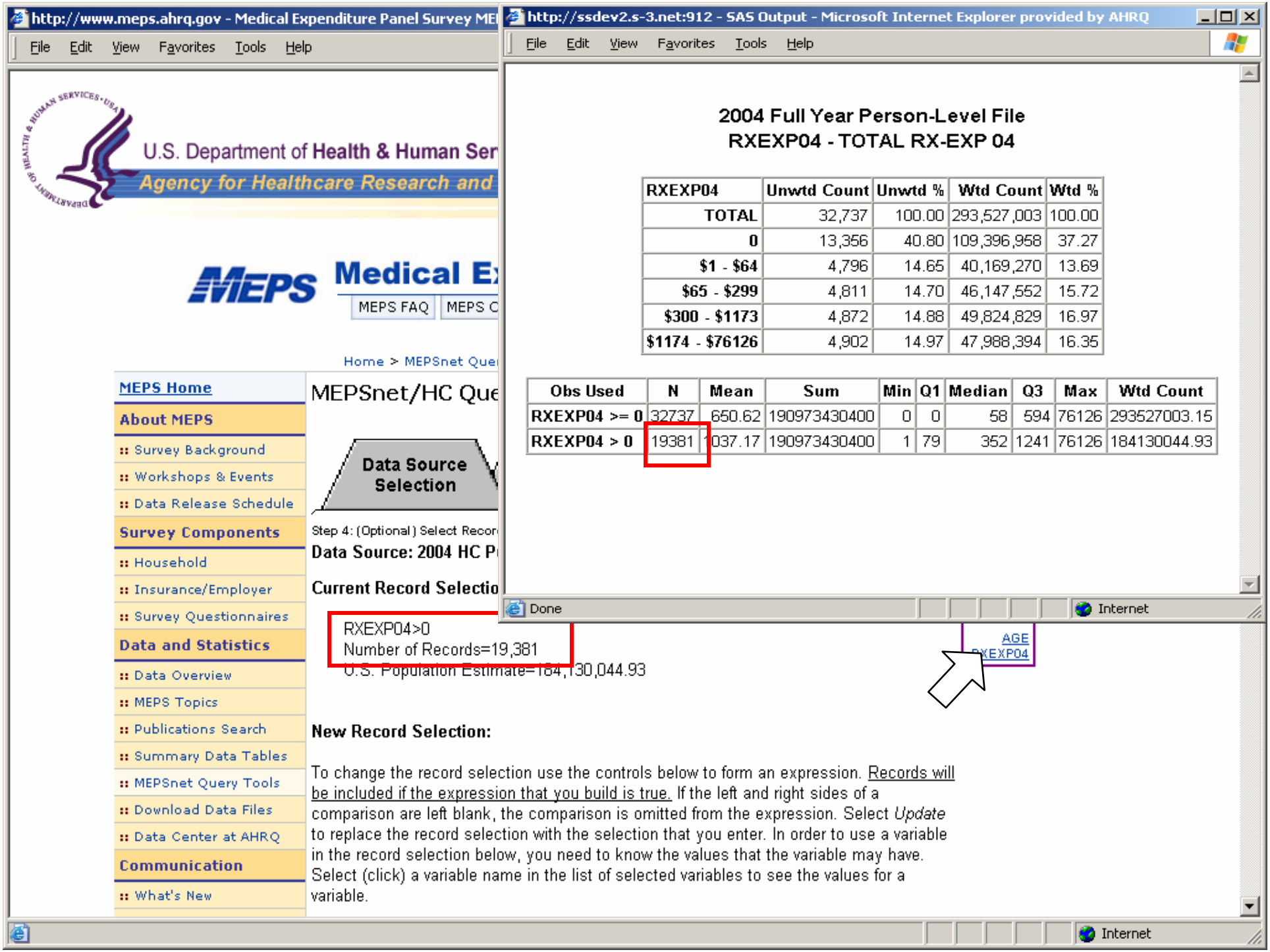

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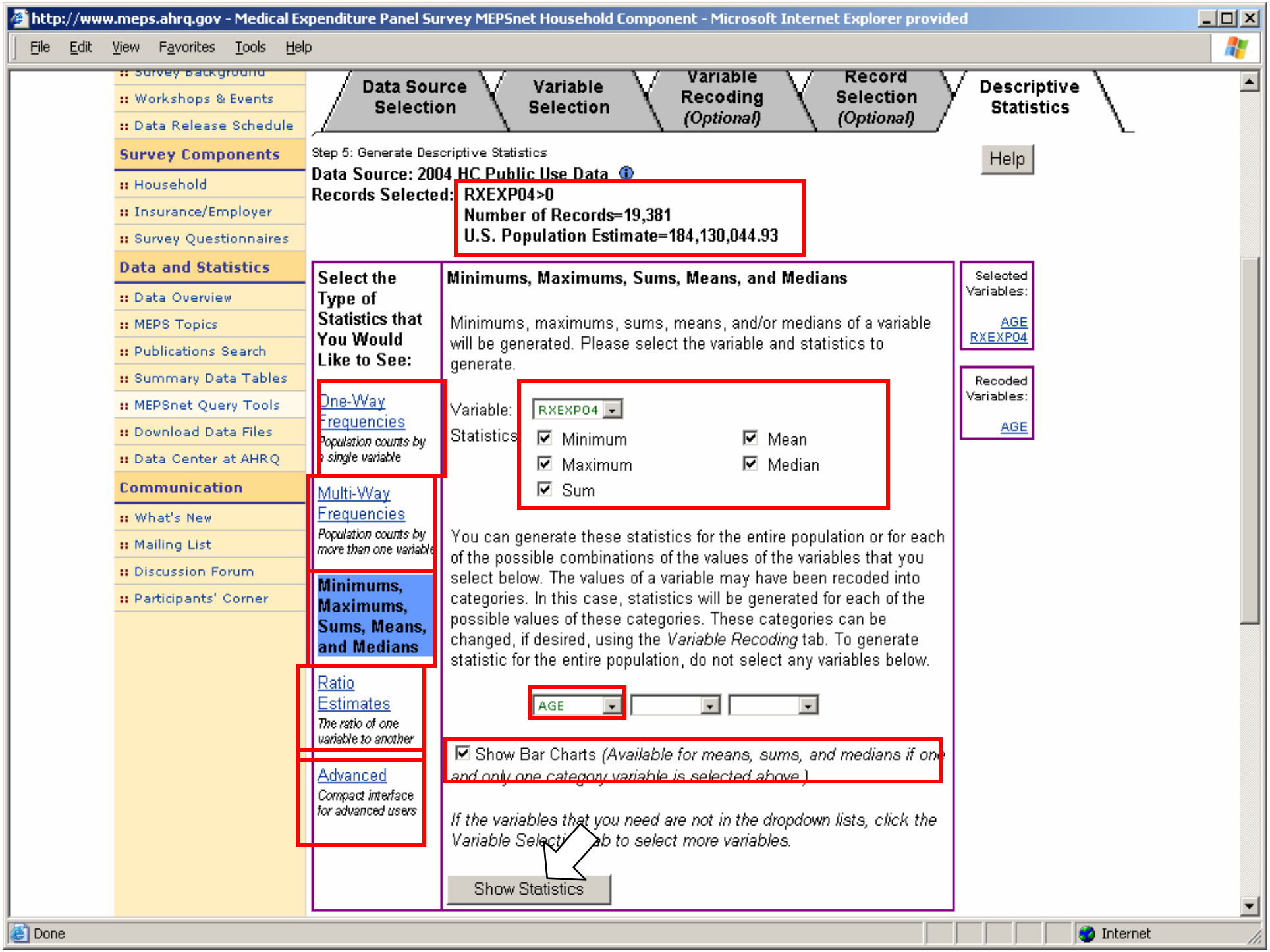

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2004 Full Year Person-Level File
Analysis Variable: RXEXP04 - TOTAL RX-EXP 04
Records Used: RXEXP04 GT 0

AGE	N	Unweighted Count	Weighted Count	Minimum	Maximum	Mean	Median	Sum
TOTAL	19,381	19,381	184,130,045	1.00	76126.00	1037.17	352.00	190973430400
< age 65	15,949	15,949	150,079,121	1.00	76126.00	838.30	239.00	125811734033
65 and up	3,432	3,432	34,050,924	2.00	53668.00	1913.65	1285.00	65161696367

Standard Errors

AGE	Unweighted Count	Weighted Count	Mean	SE Mean	Sum	SE Sum	Median	Median 95% CI Lower Limit	Median 95% CI Upper Limit	SE Median
TOTAL	19,381	184,130,045	1037.17	19.34	190973430400	5190088759.4	351.02	332.97	374.75	10.61
< age 65	15,949	150,079,121	838.30	17.55	125811734033	3648237674.2	238.19	225.29	253.93	7.27
65 and up	3,432	34,050,924	1913.65	47.76	65161696367	2636103053.6	1284.30	1206.06	1365.37	40.44

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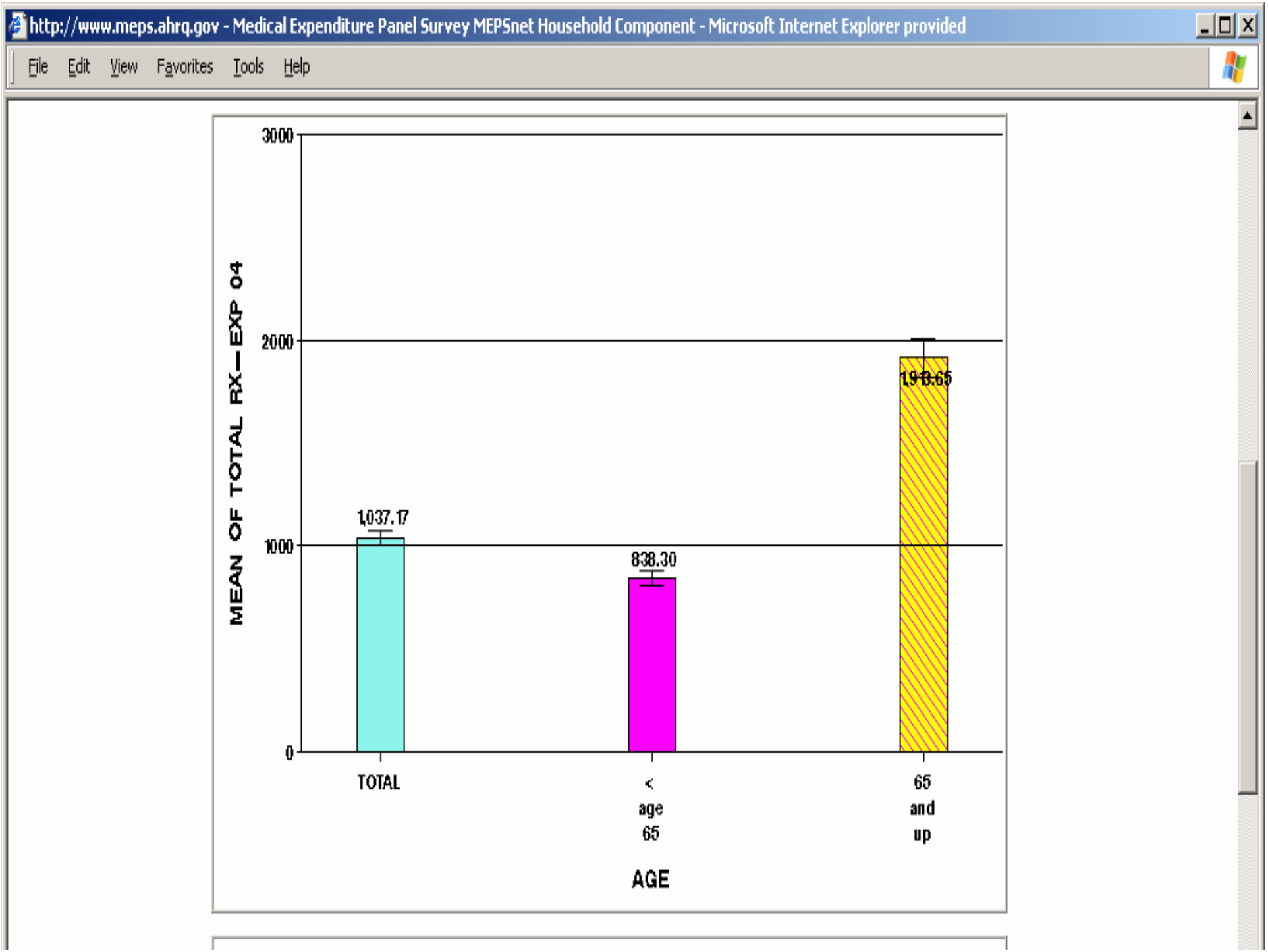

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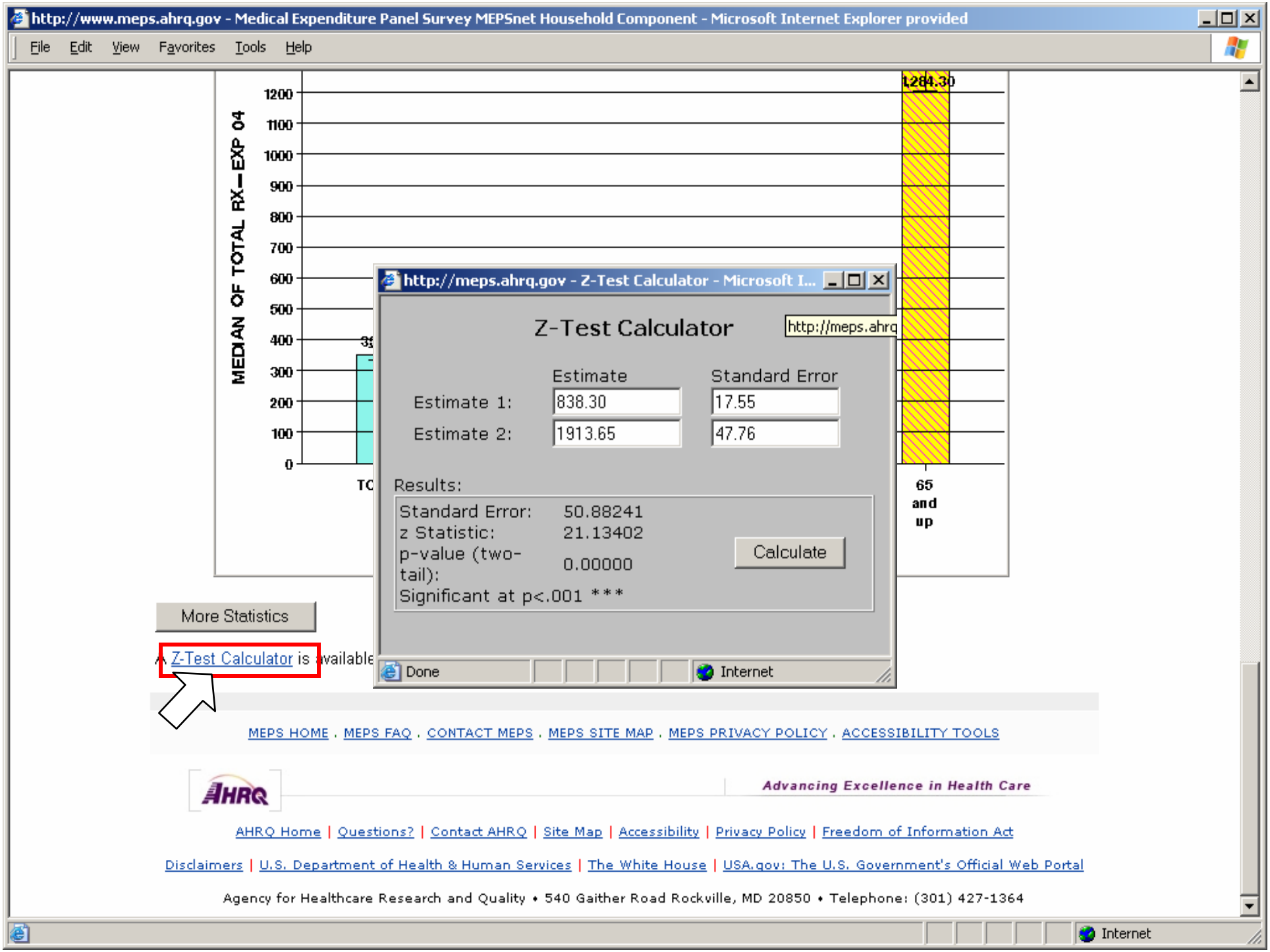

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MEPSnet HC query

What were the average prescribed drug expenses for those 65 and over compared to those under 65?

65 and over - $1914

Under 65 - $838

A statistically significant difference of $1076

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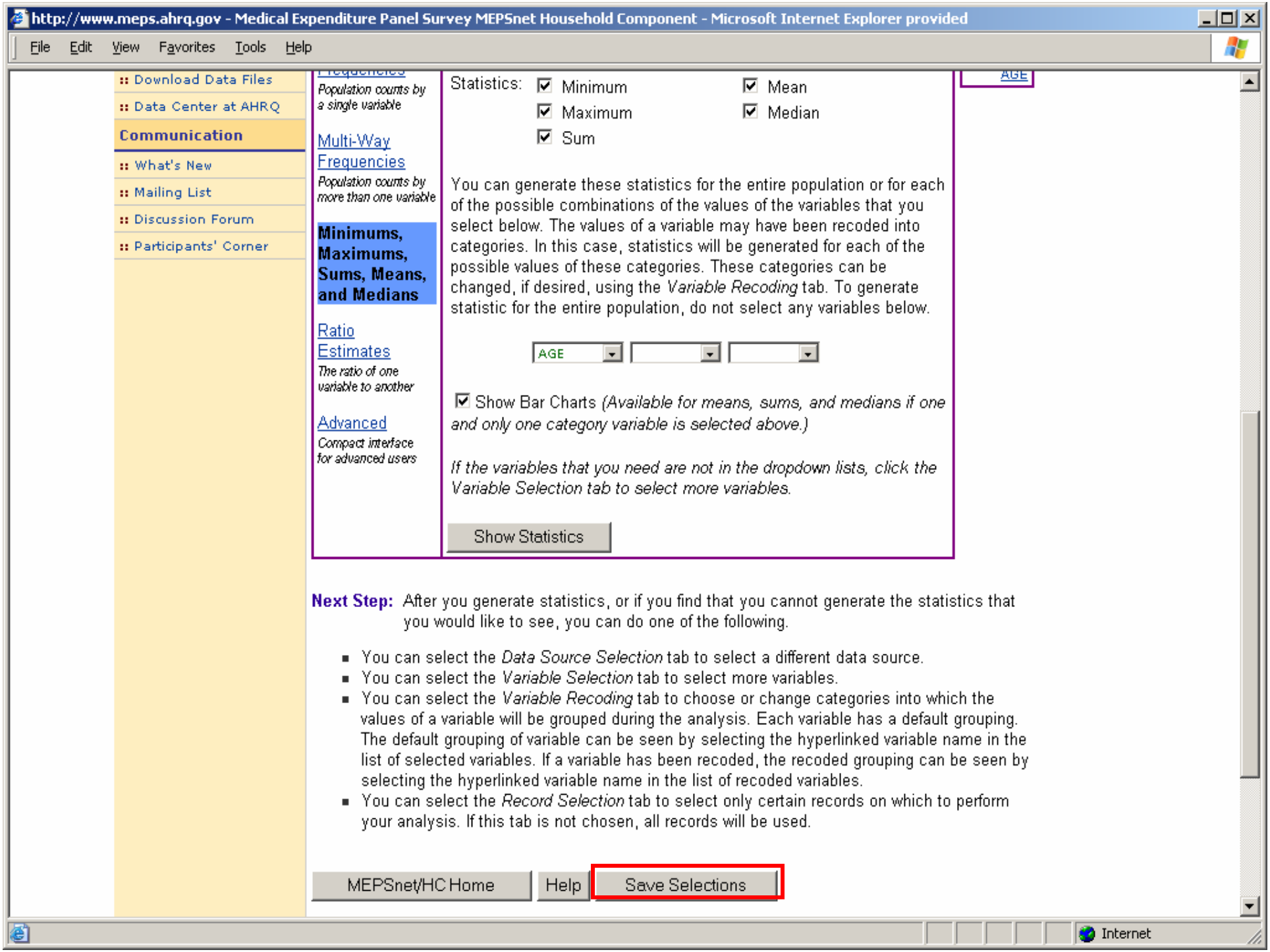

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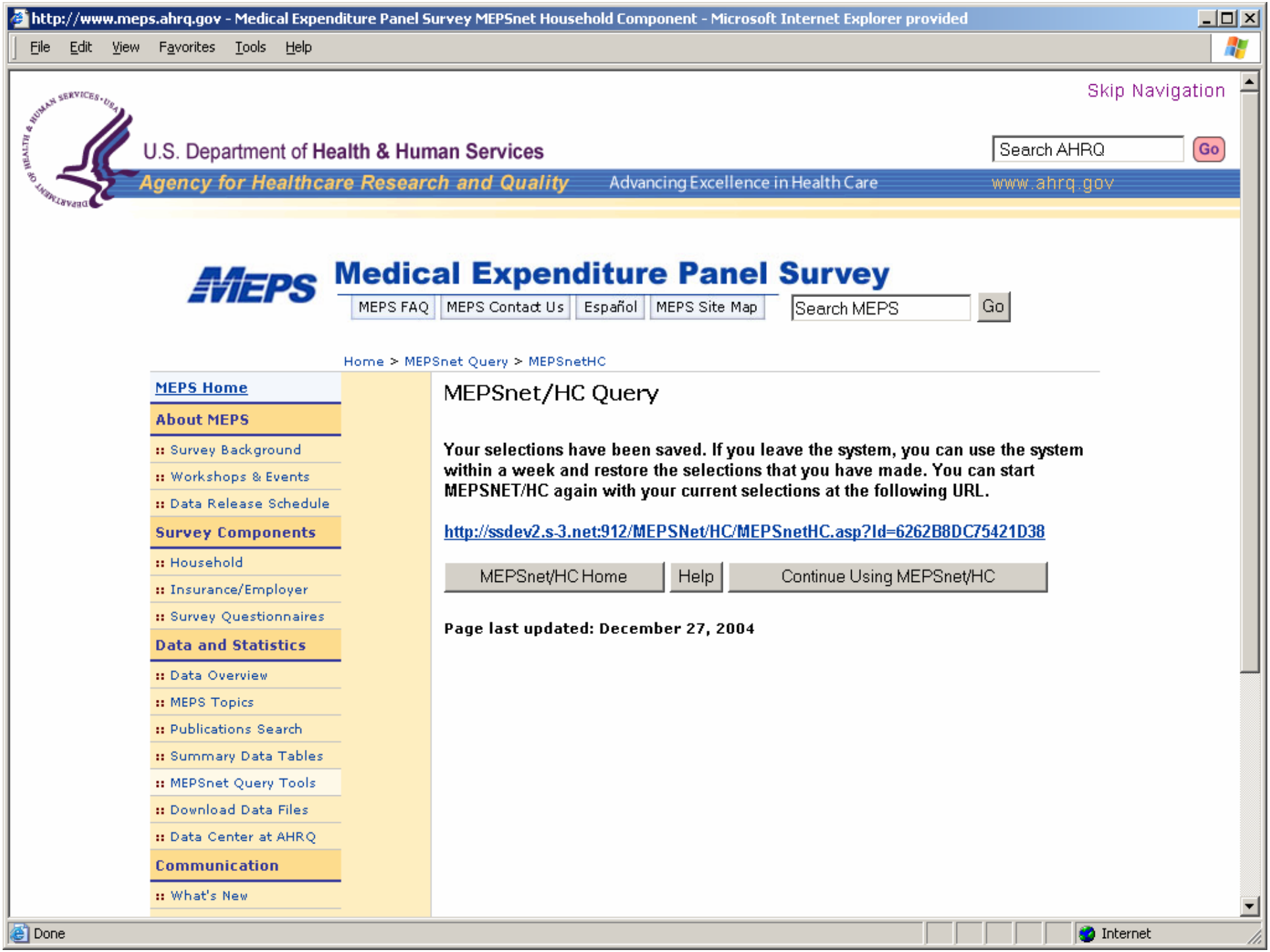

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MEPSnet IC query

What are the average premiums paid by employees in the private sector?

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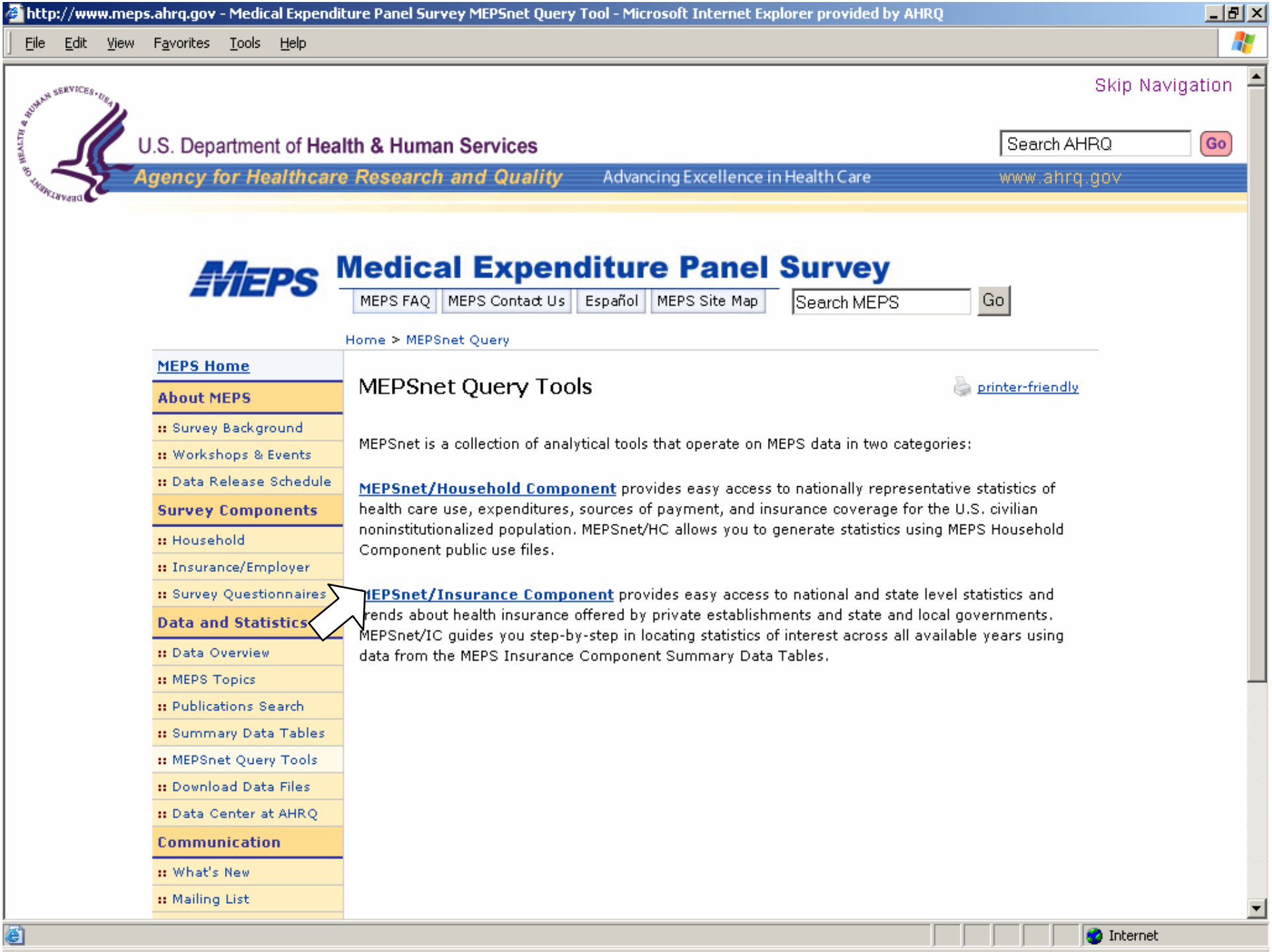

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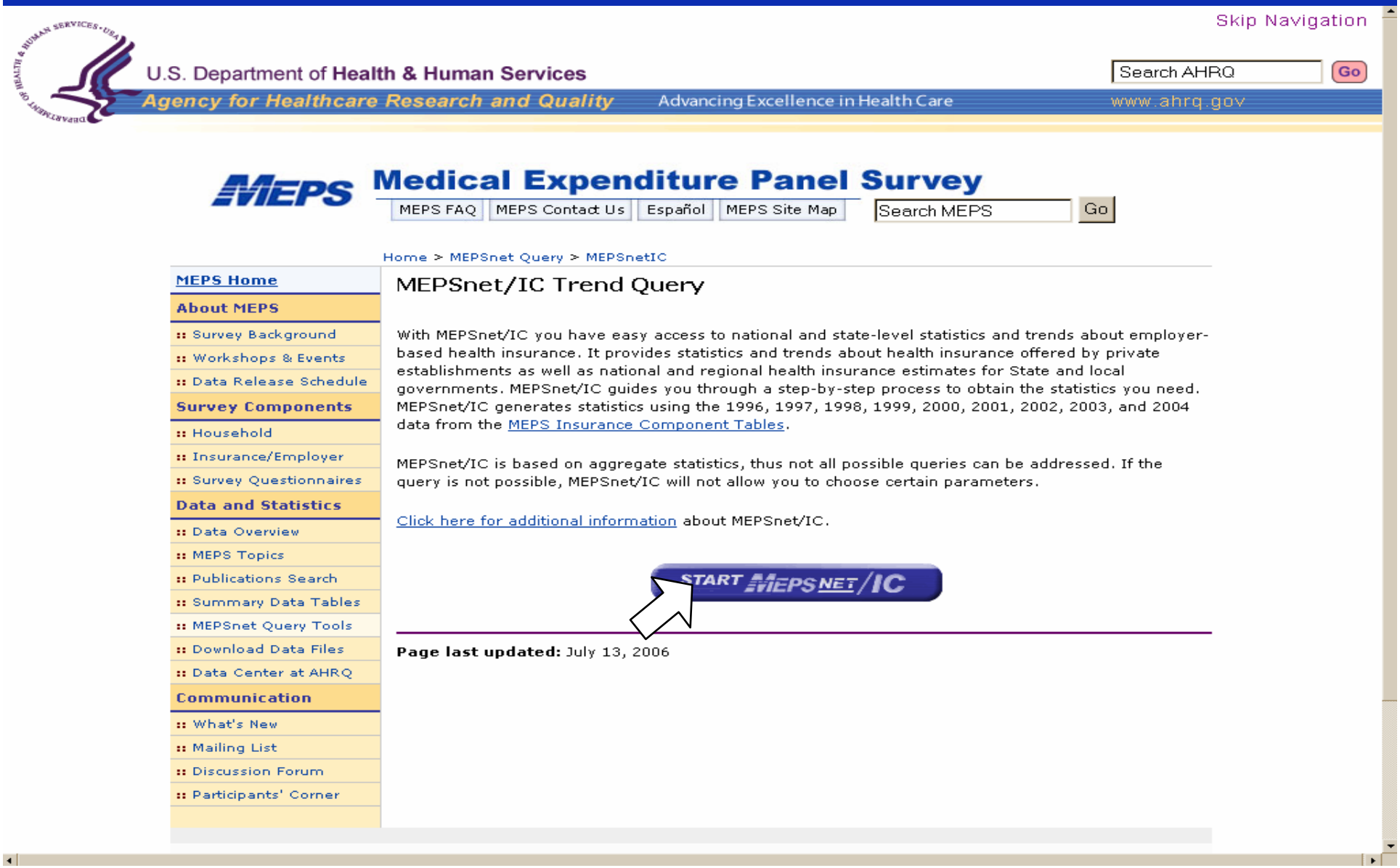

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MEPSnet/IC Trend Query

Main Selection

Which of the following are you interested in:

Private-Sector Establishments:

- ○ Private-Sector Establishments
- ○ Employees of Private-Sector Establishments
- ◉ Premiums and Contributions of Plans of Employees Enrolled at Private-Sector Establishments
- ○ State Specific Data for Private-Sector Establishments*

State and Local Governments:

- ○ State and Local Governments
- ○ Employees of State and Local Governments
- ○ Premiums and Contributions of Plans of Employees Enrolled at State or Local Governments

(Select only one.)

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* Beginning with the 1999 survey year, additional State-level breakouts by industry groups, ownership type, age of firm and the proportion of employees who are full-time or low-wage are also available.

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MEPSnet/IC Trend Query

Premiums and Contributions of Plans of Employees Enrolled at Private-Sector Establishments - Single Plan/Employee-plus-one Plan/Family Plan Selection

Which of the following are you interested in:

- (•) Single Plans
- ( ) Employee-plus-one Plans
- ( ) Family Plans
- ( ) Single, Employee-plus-one, and Family Plans Separately

(Select only one.)

Previous Selections:
Premiums and Contributions of Plans of Employees Enrolled at Private-Sector Establishments

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MEPSnet/IC Trend Query

Premiums and Contributions of Plans of Employees Enrolled in Single-Coverage Plans at Private-Sector Establishments - Provider Type Selection

Which of the following are you interested in:

- ○ Exclusive-Provider Plans (i.e. HMOs)
- ○ Mixed-Provider Plans (i.e. PPOs)
- ○ Any-Provider Plans (i.e. Conventional Indemnity)
- ◉ All Provider Types Combined
- ○ All Provider Types Separately

Note: Employee-plus-one Plans only available for All Provider Types Combined

(Select only one.)

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Premiums and Contributions of Plans of Employees Enrolled at Private-Sector Establishments
Single Plans

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MEPSnet/IC Trend Query

Premiums and Contributions of Plans of Employees Enrolled in Single-Coverage All-Provider Plans at Private-Sector Establishments - Statistics of Interest

Which of the following statistics are you interested in:

- [x] Average Total Single Premium
- [ ] Average Total Employee Contribution
- [ ] Percent of Total Premiums Contributed By Employees
- [ ] Percent of Employees that have Single Coverage Among Employees Enrolled in Health Insurance
- [ ] Percent of Employees that Require No Employee Contribution Among Employees Enrolled in Single Coverage Plan

(Check one or more.)

Previous Selections:
Premiums and Contributions of Plans of Employees Enrolled at Private-Sector Establishments
Single Plans
All Provider Types Combined
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Premiums and Contributions of Plans of Employees Enrolled in Single-Coverage All-Provider Plans at Private-Sector Establishments

Are you interested in statistics for:

- ○ Specific Industry Groups
- ○ Specific Ownership Categories
- ○ Specific Ranges of the Age of Firms
- ○ Either Firms With Multiple Locations or Only a Single Location
- ○ Specific Ranges of the Percent of Employees That Are Full-Time
- ○ Either Firms With a Union Presence or Without
- ○ Specific Ranges of the Percent of Employees That Have a Low Wage
- ○ Specific States
- ◉ All Firms

(Select only one.)

Previous Selections:
Premiums and Contributions of Plans of Employees Enrolled at Private-Sector Establishments
Single Plans
All Provider Types Combined
Average Total Single Premium
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MEPSnet/IC Trend Query

Premiums and Contributions of Plans of Employees Enrolled in Single-Coverage All-Provider Plans at Private-Sector Establishments

Are you interested in statistics for:

- ○ Specific Firm Size Groups
- ● All Firms

(Select only one.)

Previous Selections:

Premiums and Contributions of Plans of Employees Enrolled at Private-Sector Establishments
Single Plans
All Provider Types Combined
Average Total Single Premium
All Firms

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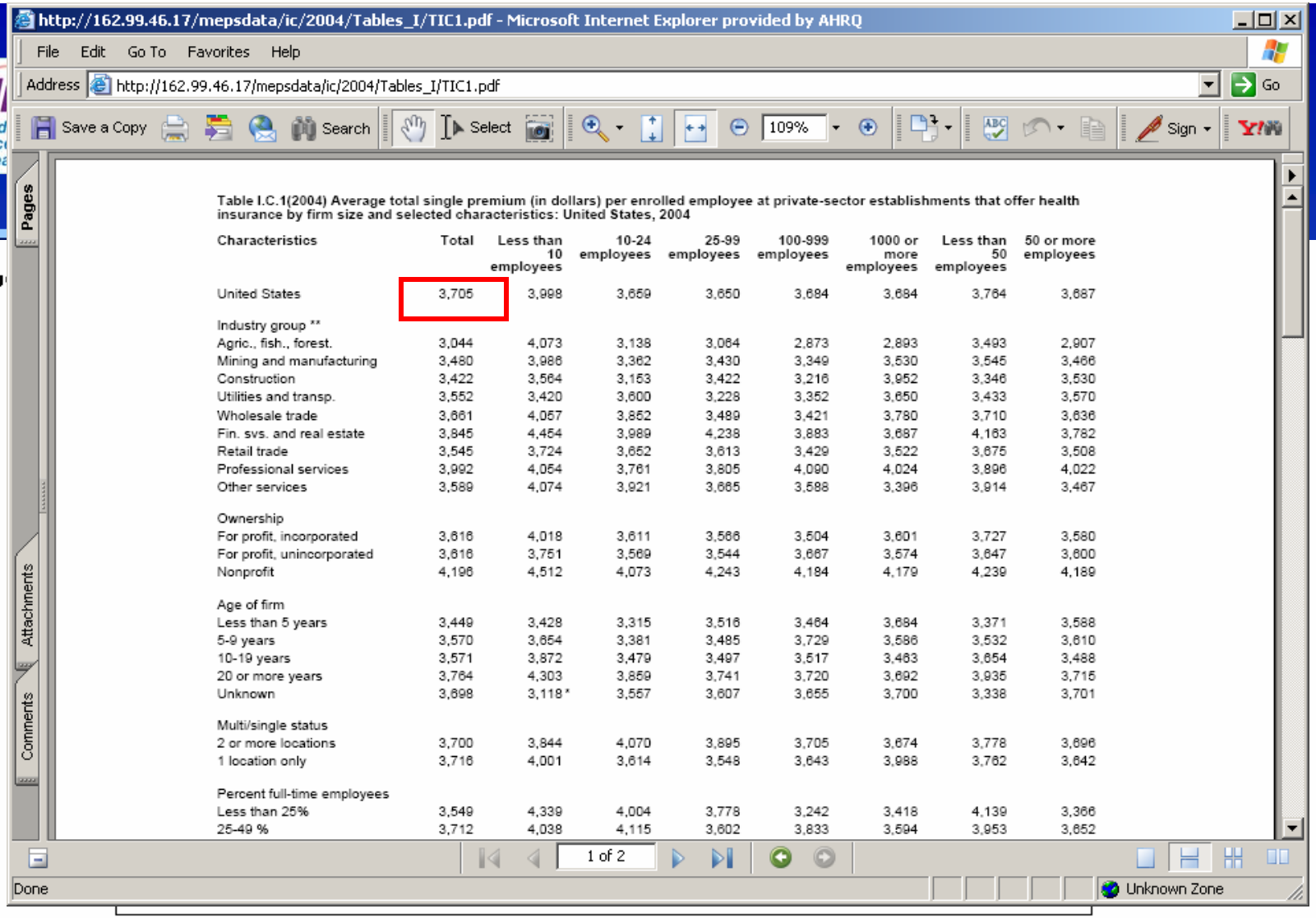

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Average	SE	Average	SE	Average	SE	Average	SE	Average	SE	Average	SE	Average	SE	Average	SE	erage	SE
1,992	14.46	2,051	20.13	2,174	17.02	2,325	6.02	2,655	9.56	2,889	14.33	3,189	20.30	3,481	1	3,705	16.42

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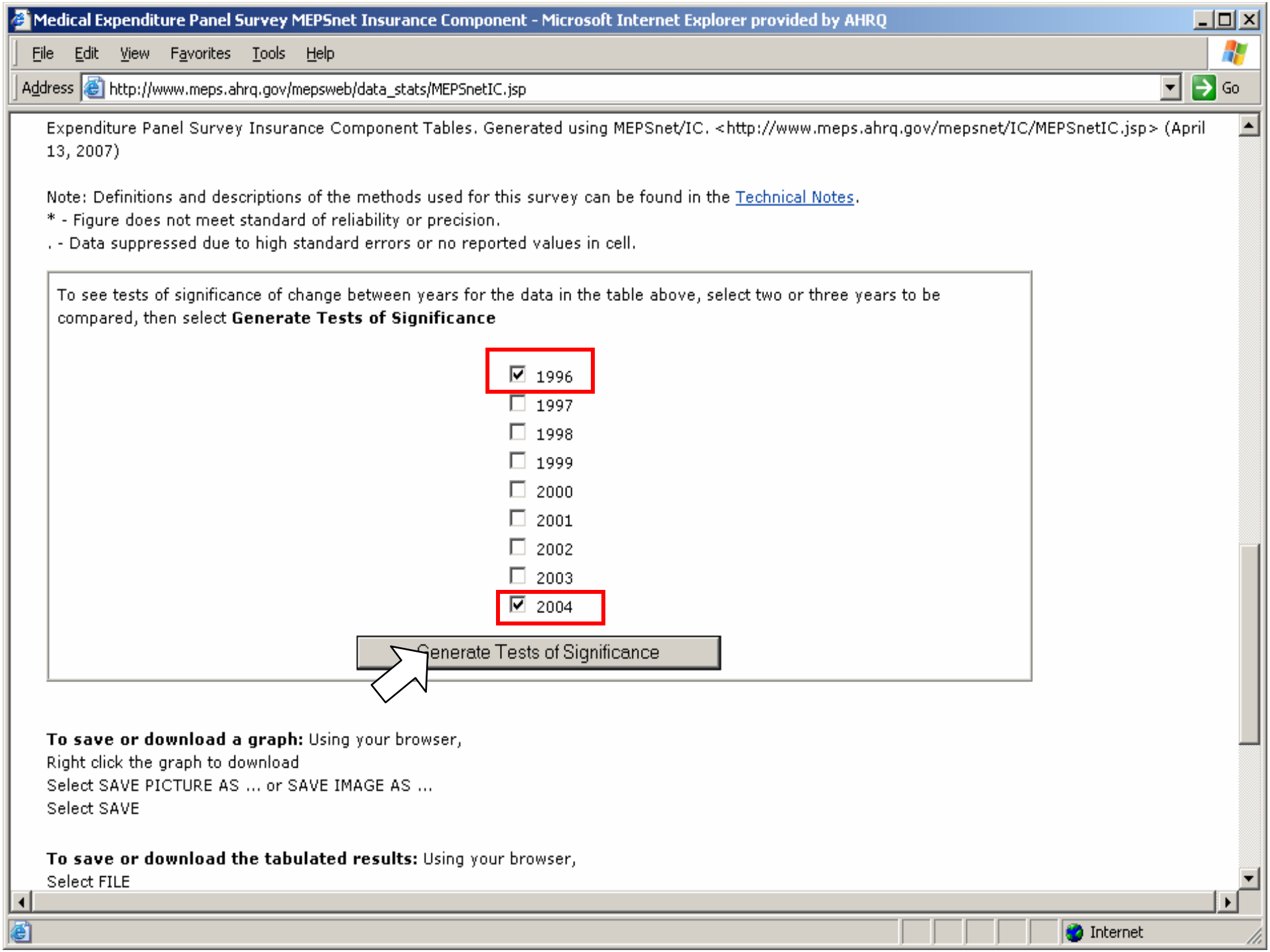

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To see tests of significance of change between years for the data in the table above, select two or three years to be compared, then select **Generate Tests of Significance**

- [x] 1996
- [ ] 1997
- [ ] 1998
- [ ] 1999
- [ ] 2000
- [ ] 2001
- [ ] 2002
- [ ] 2003
- [x] 2004

Generate Tests of Significance

z-Test Showing the Significance of Change Between Years

Years Compared	Average	SE	Joint SE	z-Statistic	p-Value (two-tail)
1996	1,992	14.46	21.88	78.33319	0.00000*
2004	3,705	16.42			

* Significant at 0.05 level

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