

Synthetic Healthcare Data for Research (SyH-DR) Known Data Issue: State Code Label

If you downloaded the SyH-DR data files before January 2024, the variable label for state code (STATE_CD) is **Alpha State Code**. As of the SyH-DR data file update in January 2024, the variable label was changed to **State Code**. The term “Alpha” is no longer used in the SyH-DR data files. The **State Code** values were not changed. This update affects the following SyH-DR files:

- Person-level files (.csv, .sas7bdat, and .dta)
- syhdr_commercial_person_2016
 - syhdr_medicaid_person_2016
 - syhdr_medicare_person_2016
- Import programs (6 in total: 3 SAS import programs and 3 Stata import programs)
 - SyHDR_Commercial_Person_2016_Import_SAS.sas
 - SyHDR_Medicaid_Person_2016_Import_SAS.sas
 - SyHDR_Medicare_Person_2016_Import_SAS.sas
 - SyHDR_Commercial_Person_2016_Import_Stata.do
 - SyHDR_Medicaid_Person_2016_Import_Stata.do
 - SyHDR_Medicare_Person_2016_Import_Stata.do

If you downloaded SyH-DR data before January 2024 and would like a copy of the updated files, email the team at DataInnovations@ahrq.hhs.gov.

