Variable Harmonization Mapping Across DCH, Tromsø, and HUNT Cohorts

Variable	Tromsø 5 a	Tromsø 6 ^b	HUNT 3 c	DCH d	Harmonized variables	Mapping notes ^e
Age	AGE_T5	AGE_T6	partagnt3blq1	age_start	Age	
	Continuous, years	Continuous, years	Continuous, years	Continuous, years	Continuous, years	
Sex	SEX_T5	SEX_T6	Sexx	kqn	Sex	
	0=female; 1=male	0=female; 1=male	0=female; 1=male	0=female; 1=male	0=female; 1=male	
Marital status	MARITAL_STATUS_T5 1=single; 2=married/registered partner; 3=widow; 4=divorced; 5=separated	MARITAL_STATUS_T6 1=single; 2=married/registered partner; 3=widow; 4=divorced; 5=separated	maritstatnt3blq1 0=undisclosed; 1=unmarried; 2=married; 3=widow(er); 4=divorced	gCivst 1=married/cohabiting; 2=widow(er); 3=divorced; 4=not married	Marital_status 0=cohabiting; 1=not cohabiting	Tromsø 5&6: 2→0; 1,3,4,5→1 HUNT 3 0→NA; 2→0; 1,3; 4→1 DCH 1→0; 2-4→1
Education	EDUCATION_T5 Continuous, years	EDUCATION_T6 1=Primary/secondary school, modern secondary school; 2=Technical school, vocational school, 1-2 years senior high school; 3=High school diploma; 4=College/university <4 years; 5=College/university 4 years or more	educnt3lu2q 1=Compulsory primary and lower secondary school; 2=Vocational / upper secondary school; 3=General education or sixth form of comprehensive school; 4=College or university, < 4 years; 5=College or university, 4 years or more	gUdda 1=mandatory; 2=secondary; 3=short education; 4=medium education; 5=long education	Education 0=mandatory; 1=secondary/vocation al; 2=medium/long	Tromsø 5: 0-10 yrs→0; 11-15→1 16 or more→2 Tromsø 6 & DCH: 1→0; 2-3→1; 4-5→2 HUNT3: Too many missing.
Occupation	a) PAID_WORK_U70_T5 1=yes, full time; 2=yes, part time; 3=no b) PHYSICAL_ACTIVITY_WORK_T5 1=Mostly sedentary work? (e.g. office work, mounting); 2=Work that requires a lot of walking? (e.g. shop assistant, light industrial work, teaching); 3=Work that requires a lot of walking and lifting? (e.g. postman, nursing, construction); 4=Heavy manual labour? (e.g. forestry, heavy farmwork, heavy construction))	a) OCCUPATION_UNEMPLOYED_T6 0=no; 1= yes b) OCCUPATION_RETIRED_T6 0=no; 1= yes c) PHYSICAL_ACTIVITY_WORK_T6 1=Mostly sedentary work? (e.g. office work, mounting); 2=Work that requires a lot of walking? (e.g. shop assistant, light industrial work, teaching); 3=Work that requires a lot of walking and lifting? (e.g. postman, nursing, construction); 4=Heavy manual labour? (e.g. forestry, heavy farmwork, heavy construction)	a) WorCu@NT4BLI 0=no; 1=yes b) WorTitISCO1@NT4BLI 1=legislators, senior official and managers; 2=professionals; 3=technicians and associate professionals; 4=clerks; 5=service workers, shop and market sales workers; 6=skilled agricultural and fishery workers; 7=craft/trade related; 8=plant &machine operators; 9=elementary occupations (need to create a category for unemployed and retirement)	gOccupation 1=blue collar; 2=low level white collar; 3=high level white collar; 4=unemployed; 5=retired	Occupation 0=white collar; 1=blue collar; 2=unemployed/retired	Tromsø 5: 1 (b) → 0; 2-4 (b) → 1; 3 (a) → 2 Tromsø 6: 1 (c) → 0; 2-4 (c) → 1; 1 in (a, b) → 2 HUNT: 1-5,9 (b) → 0; 6-8 (b) → 1; 1 (a) → 2 DCH 1→1; 2,3→0; 4,5→2
Smoking	SMOKE_DAILY_T5	SMOKE_DAILY_T6	smostatnt3blq1	rygning	Smok_status	HUNT:
status	1=current; 2=former; 3=never	1=current; 2=former; 3=never	0=never; 1=former; 2=current; 3=occasional	1=current; 2=former; 3=never	1= current; 2= former; 3=never	0→1; 1→2; 2-3→3
Smoking intensity	CIGARETTES_NUMBER_T5 Continuous, 0-60	CIGARETTES_NUMBER_T6 Continuous, 0-99	SmoCigPreN@NT4BLQ1 Continuous, no: cigarettes/day	gram_nu Continuous, g tobacco/day (based on cigarettes, cigars, and pipes)	Smok_int Continuous, Tobacco g/day	Tromsø 5, 6 & HUNT: No: of cigarettes→tobacco g/day Source: WHO: European code against cancer¹ 1 cig =1 g tobacco)
Smoking	SMOKE_YEARS_T5	SMOKE_YEARS_T6	a) SmoDyDuEd@NT3BLQ1	varigx	Smok_dur	
duration	Continuous, years	Continuous, years	Continuous, years	Continuous, years	Continuous, years	

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			b) SmoOcDuEd@NT3BLQ1 Continuous years			
Smoke exposure at work	a) SMOKE_ROOMS_HOURS_T5 Continuous, hrs (0-24) b) SMOKE_HOME_20_T5 0=no; 1=yes	NA	WorDust@NT3BLI 0=no; 1=sometimes; 2=often	smoke_work Passive smoking at work: categorical (based on hours of exposure to tobacco when person is >=50 years old: 0=0, 1=1-3, 2=4-7, 3=8 or more)	Smok_work 0=no; 1=yes	TROMSØ 5: 0 (b) & ≤1→0 0 (b) & >1→1 <u>HUNT3:</u> 0→0; 1,2→1 <u>DCH:</u> 0→0; 1,2,3→1
Passive smoking at childhood	a) SMOKE_HOME_CHILD_T5 0=no; 1=yes	NA	SmoExpCh@NT3BLQ1 0=no; 1=yes	NA	Smokexp_child 0=no; 1=yes	Unable to fully harmonize the variable across the cohorts.
Alcohol intake	a) BEER_GLASSES_T5 b) WINE_GLASSES_T5 c)SPIRITS_GLASSES_T5 a-c: Continuous, no: glasses/2 weeks d)TEETOTALLER_T5 0=no; 1=yes	ALCOHOL_UNITS_T6 units/week 1=1-2 units/week; 2=3-4 units /week 3=5-6 units/week; 4=7-9 units/week; 5=10 or more units/week	AlcTotGW@NT3BLQ1 Continuous, g/week	alko Continuous, g/day	Alcohol Continuous, g/day	Tromsø 5: 1(c)→0 g/day a+b+c→ g/day Alcohol conversion² Tromsø 6: 1 unit=8 g alcohol Units converted to gms/7 days HUNT3: Divide the g/week by 7
BMI	BMI_T5 Continuous, kg/m ²	BMI_T6 Continuous, kg/m ²	Bmi@NT3BLM Continuous, kg/m ²	BMI Continuous, kg/m2	BMI Continuous, kg/m ²	
Physical activity	PHYS_ACTIVITY_LEISURE_HARD_T5 (based on hrs/wk) 1=none; 2=<1; 3=1-2; 4=3 or more	a) EXERCISE_T6 1=never; 2= <once &="" 1="easy;" 2="shortwinded" 3="exhausted</td" 4="2-3/week;" 5="nearly" a="" b)="" everyday="" exercise_level_t6="" sweaty;="" week;=""><td>ExeHarDutY@NT3BLQ2 0=none; 1= <1 hr/wk; 2=1-2 hr/wk; 3=3 or more</td><td>tsport Continuous (hours of sport per week, different activities considered: walking, cycling, housework, DIY work, gardening, practiced sports)</td><td>Phys_act categorial, based on frequency of high- intensity activity 0=never; 1= low/medium; 2=high</td><td>Tromsø 5: 1→0; 2,3→1; 4→2 Tromsø 6: 1 (a)→0; 2,3 (a) & 2,3(b)→1 4, 5 (a) & 2,3(b)→2 HUNT3: 0→0; 1,2→1; 3→2 DCH: (based on hours of practiced sports) 0 hrs→0; 0-2 hrs→1; >2 hrs →2</td></once>	ExeHarDutY@NT3BLQ2 0=none; 1= <1 hr/wk; 2=1-2 hr/wk; 3=3 or more	tsport Continuous (hours of sport per week, different activities considered: walking, cycling, housework, DIY work, gardening, practiced sports)	Phys_act categorial, based on frequency of high- intensity activity 0=never; 1= low/medium; 2=high	Tromsø 5: 1→0; 2,3→1; 4→2 Tromsø 6: 1 (a)→0; 2,3 (a) & 2,3(b)→1 4, 5 (a) & 2,3(b)→2 HUNT3: 0→0; 1,2→1; 3→2 DCH: (based on hours of practiced sports) 0 hrs→0; 0-2 hrs→1; >2 hrs →2
Asthma	ASTHMA_T5 0=no; 1=yes	ASTHMA_T5 0=no; 1=yes	astevnt3blq1 0=no; 1=yes	case_asthma Categorical (yes, no) from hospital registers	Asthma 0=no; 1=yes	
COPD	a) FEV1_T52 Continuous b) FVC_T52 Continuous c) COPD from NPR 0=no; 1=yes	a) FEV1_T62 Continuous b) FVC_T62 Continuous c) COPD from NPR 0=no; 1=yes	a) FEV1FVCR@NT3Lu1M Continuous b) COPD from NPR 0=no; 1=yes	case_copd Categorical (yes, no) from hospital registers	COPD_dx 0=no 1=yes	Tromsø 5&6: (a/b)<0.7+1(c)→1 HUNT3: a<0.7+1(b)→1

Air	NO ₂ , Ozone, PM _{2.5}	NO ₂ , Ozone, PM _{2.5}	NO ₂ , Ozone, PM _{2.5}	NO ₂ , PM _{2.5} , UFP, EC	NO ₂ , PM _{2.5}
pollution	Daily averages for the years 1985-	Daily averages for the years 1985-	Daily averages for the years 1985-2018	1-, 5-, 10-year running means	Exposure at time of
	2018 based on the voting stations	2018 based on the voting stations	based on the voting stations they	based on the full address	data collection
	they belonged to at the time of the	they belonged to at the time of the	belonged to at the time of the survey.	history and monthly residential	
	survey.	survey.		exposure at the time of data	
				collection.	

^a Tromsø 5 is the 5th survey of the Tromsø study conducted in 2001. The Tromsø study is a longitudinal prospective cohort aimed at investigating the associations between environmental exposures, dietary habits, lifestyle, and different health outcomes. A total of 8130 men and women aged between 30 and 89 participated in this study.

^b The sixth survey of the Tromsø Study (Tromsø6) was conducted in 2007-08. A total of 12984 men and women aged 30-87 took part.

^c HUNT3 (2006-2008) is the third survey of the HUNT study. The purpose of The HUNT Study is to provide a solid basis for research into population health on a wide variety of conditions and life style factors and ranging over research fields from social epidemiology to genetic research. HUNT3 collected information among residents in Nord-Trøndelag who were 13 and older (N=50807).

The Diet, Cancer and Health cohort (DCH) aimed at investigating the associations between dietary habits, lifestyle, and cancer development. The participants are men and women (N = 57,053) born in Denmark, living in the greater Copenhagen or Aarhus areas, aged 50-64 years. They were recruited during 1993-1997.

^e Cohort variables categories → New variable categories.

¹ https://cancer-code-europe.iarc.fr/index.php/en/ecac-12-ways/tobacco/46-table/212-types-of-tobacco

² https://www.fhi.no/le/alkohol/alkoholinorge/omsetning-og-bruk/alkoholbruk-i-den-voksne-befolkningen/?term=