



Simplifying Industry and Occupation Text

Arkansas Central Cancer Registry

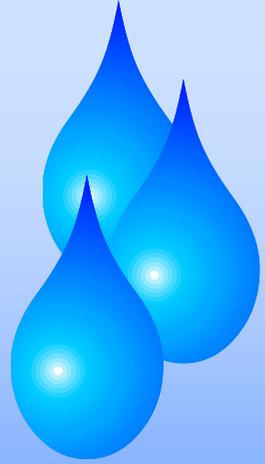
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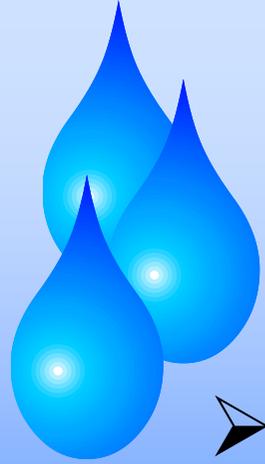


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Objectives

- To define industry/occupation
- To properly code industry/occupation text



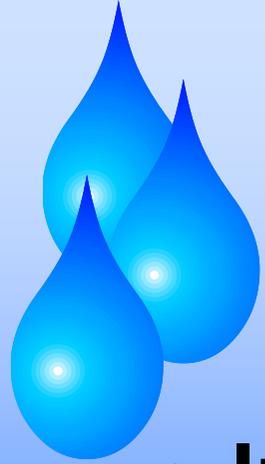
Definition

➤ Industry

- The kind of activity at a person's place of work.
 - Ex: hospital, factory, hotel, bank, etc.

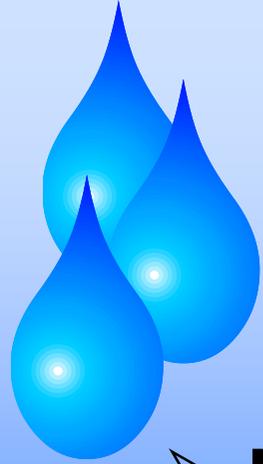
➤ Occupation

- The type of work a person did at his or her place of work.
 - Ex: Nurse, lawyer, banker, accountant, etc.



Requirements

- **Industry and Occupation text is required to be collected and reported to the Central Cancer Registry**
- **Industry and Occupation text is not required to be collected by the Commission on Cancer for approved programs.**



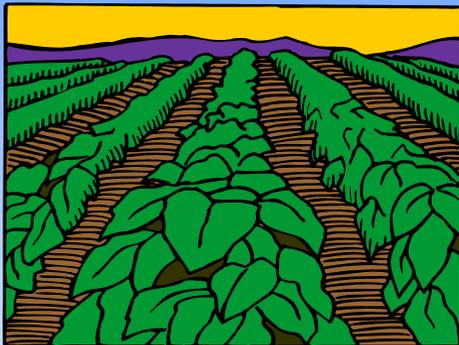
How is information documented?

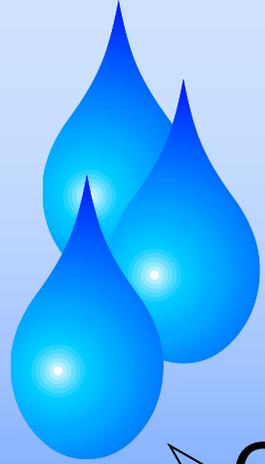
- National Center of Health Statistics
- Census reports
- Assigned codes



Cancer Registry Purpose

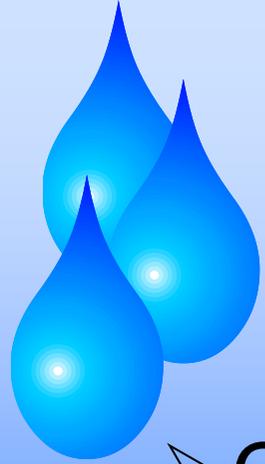
- Research
- Determination of cancer clusters for certain types of industry
- Required by Central Cancer Registry





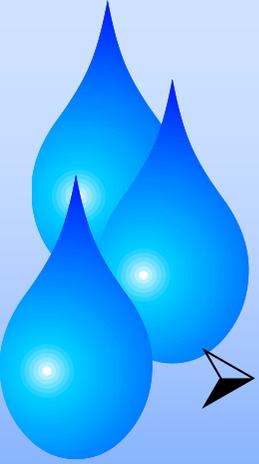
Coding I & O Text

- Codes are assigned by Central Cancer Registry
- Codes comparable to Standard Industry Codes (SIC) & Standard Occupation Codes (SOC)
- Easier to run reports



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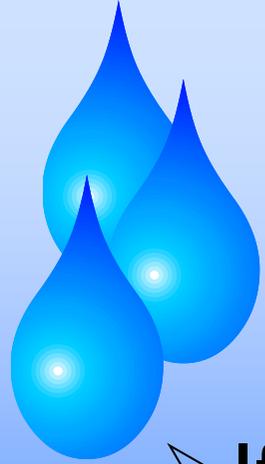
- Census Questionnaire
- Industry questions:
 - Current or most recent job
 - Industry or employer
 - Type of business or industry
 - Hospital, newspaper publishing, bakery, etc
 - Type of industry
 - Manufacturing, wholesale trade, retail trade, agriculture, construction, etc



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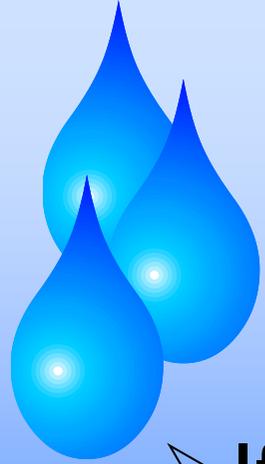
➤ Occupation questions:

- What kind of work was this person doing?
Registered nurse, personnel manager, cake icer, etc
- What were this person's most important activities?
Patient care, directing hiring policies, icing cakes
- What was the person's status?
Employee of private for profit, employee of a private not for profit, local government employee, state government employee, self employed, working without pay in family business or farm



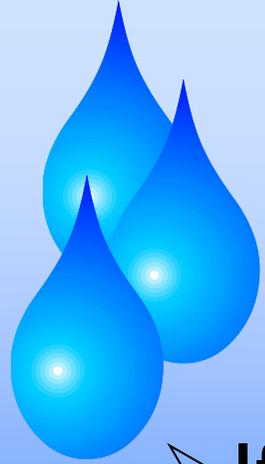
Recording of I&O Text

- If text states that patient is a school teacher, code the industry as “school” and the occupation as “teacher”
- If text states that patient is a cashier @ Walmart, code industry as “Walmart” and occupation as “cashier”



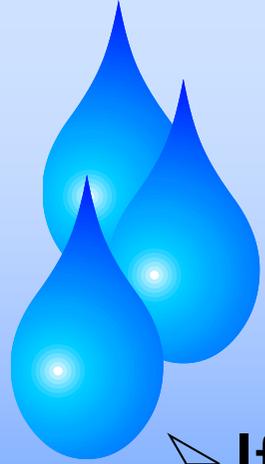
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- If text states that patient is a farmer, code industry as “agriculture” and occupation as “farmer”
- If text states that patient is a homemaker, code industry as “homemaker” and occupation as “housewife”



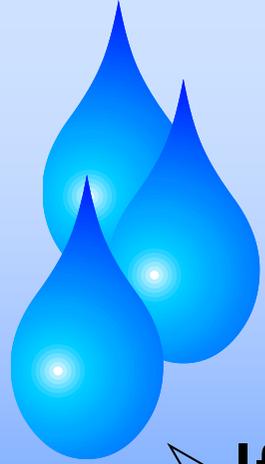
Recording of I&O Text

- If patient has two or more occupations, code both occupations in the text area.
- For prisoners, code “jail inmate” for occupation and prison for industry, if the prisoner has an occupation while incarcerated, code the occupation, ex: trustee, cafeteria worker, cook, etc.



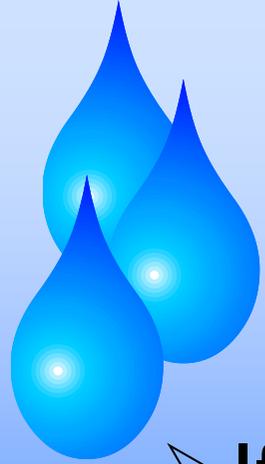
Recording of I&O Text

- If there is no documentation of a patient's industry or occupation, record "unknown".
- If there is documentation that the patient is "retired" or "unemployed" or "disabled", record "unknown"
- If the text states "retired doctor", disregard "retired" and record "doctor" in the occupation field



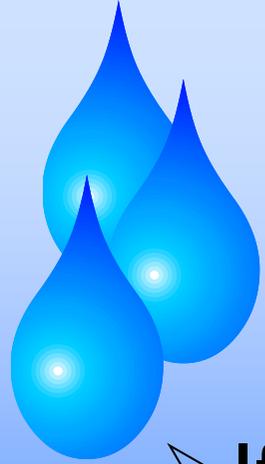
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- If the occupation is recorded and the industry is not, record the occupation and record “unknown” in the industry field.
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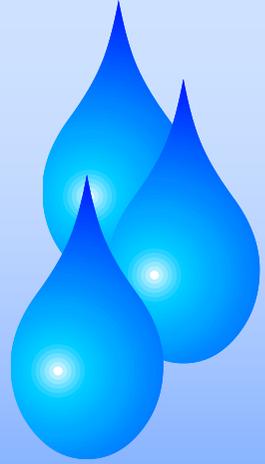
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- If there is documentation regarding military service, code the branch of the military in the industry field and the position held in the occupation field.
- If the documentation states that the patient is retired military, code “military” in the industry field and “unknown” in the occupation field.



Recording of I&O Text

- If the name of the company is listed, record the company name in the industry field.



Questions?

