Canadian Longitudinal Study on Aging (CLSA)

Extended Variable List for Caregiving

The following table is comprised of questions/variables from the Canadian Longitudinal Study on Aging related to the topic of caregiving/caregivers. To access the complete statistics for each question, proceed to the [Data Preview Portal](#) referred to in the CLSA Navigation Guide. Each code is a unique identifier for the question it represents, but it also indicates if the question/variable was accessed in one or both of the cohorts (Comprehensive Cohort and Tracking Cohort). The end of each code is labeled either COM or TRM, which refers to the cohort it belongs to. The Comprehensive Cohort is labeled COM and the Tracking Cohort is labeled TRM.

Code	Question
CAG_DRMC_COM, CAG_DRMC_TRM	Relationship of the Main Care Recipient
CAG_FPAS_COM, CAG_FPAS_TRM	Flag for Providing Assistance (in last 12 months)
CAG_GNDR_COM, CAG_GNDR_TRM	Gender of person who participated provided most caregiving assistance
CAG_HLT_AC_COM, CAG_HLT_AC_TRM	Provided assistance with activities
CAG_HLT_CS_COM, CAG_HLT_CS_TRM	Provided social/emotional assistance
CAG_HLT_DK_NA_COM, CAG_HLT_DK_NA_TRM	Provided assistance, Don't Know
CAG_HLT_FM_COM, CAG_HLT_FM_TRM	Provided financial management assistance
CAG_HLT_HC_COM, CAG_HLT_HC_TRM	Providing help caring for another individual
CAG_HLT_MB_COM, CAG_HLT_MB_TRM	Provided mobility assistance
CAG_HLT_MC_COM, CAG_HLT_MC_TRM	Provided mental conditions assistance
CAG_HLT_MD_COM, CAG_HLT_MD_TRM	Provided medical care
CAG_HLT_MG_COM,CAG_HLT_MG_TRM	Provided managing care
CAG_HLT_TR_COM, CAG_HLT_COM_TRM	Provided assistance with Transportation
CAG_HLT_ML_COM, CAG_HLT_ML_TRM	Provided assistance with meal preparation

CAG_HLT_MO_TRM	Provided monetary (or equivalent) assistance
CAG_HLT_NONE_COM, CAG_HLT_NONE_TRM	Did not provide assistance
CAG_HLT_OTSP_COM, CAG_HLT_OTSP_TRM	Provided other types of assistance, specified
CAG_HLT_PR_COM, CAG_HLT_PR_TRM	Provided personal care
CAG_HRWK_COM, CAG_HRWK_TRM	Average number of hours per week participant provided to person with most caregiving assistance
CAG_MOST_COM, CAG_MOST_TRM	Dwelling location of person who participant provided most caregiving assistance
CAG_PPL_NB_COM, CAG_PPL_NB_TRM	Number of people who participant provided any assistance (past 12 months)
CAG_RELN_COM, CAG_RELN_TRM	Relationship to person who participant provided most caregiving assistance
CAG_WEEK_NB_COM, CAG_WEEK_NB_TRM	Number of weeks participant provided to person with most caregiving assistance
CR1_FRHC_COM, CR1_FRHC_TRM	Flag for Receiving Formal Home Care Services (In last 12 months)
CR1_FRQ_NB_COM, CR1_FRQ_NB_TRM	Number of weeks perceived professional assistance (past 12 months)
CR1_HOUR_NB_COM, CR1_HOUR_NB_TRM	Average number of hours per week received professional assistance
CR1_MOST_OTSP_COM, CR1_MOST_OTSP_TRM	Type of professional assistance most received
CR1_PAY_COM, CR1, PAY_TRM	Financial accountability for professional assistance most received
CR1_PRO_AC_COM, CR1_PRO_AC_TRM	Received professional assistance with activities
CR1_PRO_MC_COM, CR1_PRO_MC_TRM	Received professional mental care
CR1_PRO_MD_COM, Cr1_PRO_MD_TRM	Received professional medical care
CR1_PRO_MG_COM, CR1_PRO_MG_TRM	Received professional managing care

CR1_PRO_ML_COM, CR1_PRO_ML_TRM	Received professional assistance with meal preparation or delivery
CR1_PRO_NONE_COM, CR1_PRO_NONE_TRM	Did not require professional assistance
CR1_PRO_OTSP_COM, CR1_PRO_OTSP_TRM	Received other professional assistance, specified
CR1_PRO_PR_COM, CR1_PRO_PR_TRM	Received professional personal care
CR1_PRO_PT_COM, CR1_PRO_PT_TRM	Received professional physical therapy
CR1_PRO_TA_COM, CR1_PRO_TA_TRM	Received professional training and adaptation assistance
CR1_PRO_TR_COM, CR1_PRO_TR_TRM	Received professional assistance with transportation
CR2_AGE_NB_COM, CR2_AGW_NB_TRM	Age of person who provided most non-professional assistance
CR2_DEVC_AL_COM, CR2_DEVC_AL_TRM	Used personal alarm
CR2_DEVC_BR_COM, CR2_DEVC_BR_TRM	Used grab bars
CR2_DEVC_BT_COM, CR2_DEVC_BT_TRM	Used bathroom aids
CR2_DEVC_CN_COM, CR2_DEVC_CN_TRM	Used a cane or walking stick
CR2_DEVC_CR_COM, CR2_DEVC_CR_TRM	Used crutches
CR2_DEVC_DA_COM, CR2_DEVC_DA_TRM	Used dressing aid
CR2_DEVC_GR_COM, CR2_DEVC_GR_TRM	Used grasping tools or reach extenders
CR2_DEVC_HD_COM, CR2_DEVC_HD_TRM	Used a hand or arm brace
CR2_DEVC_LG_COM, CR2_DEVC_LG_TRM	Used leg braces, supportive devices

CR2_DEVC_LO_COM, CR2_DEVC_LO_TRM	Used lid/cap openers
CR2_DEVC_LT_COM, CR2_DEVC_LT_TRM	Used bath, bed lifts, or other devices
CR2_DEVC_NB_COM, CR2_DEVC_NB_TRM	Used neck or back brace
CR2_DEVC_NONE_COM, CR2_DEVC_NONE_TRM	Did not use any assistive devices
CR2_DEVC_OO_COM, CR2_DEVC_OO_TRM	Used other orthotics (pillow, chairs etc.)
CR2_DEVC_OTSP_COM, CR2_DEVC_OTSP_TRM	Used other assistive devices, Specify.
CR2_DEVC_PL_COM, CR2_DEVC_PL_TRM	Used a prosthetic limb
CR2_DEVC_RV_COM, CR2_DEVC_RV_TRM	Used respiratory ventilation
CR2_DEVC_SB_COM, CR2_DEVC_SB_TRm	Used supportive bandages, clothing or footwear
CR2_DEVC_SC_TRM	Used a motorized scooter
CR2_DEVC_UT_COM, CR2_DEVC_UT_TRM	Used special eating utensils
CR2_DEVC_WC_COM, CR2_DEVC_WC_TRM	Used a wheelchair
CR2_DEVC_WK_COM, CR2_DEVC_WK_TRM	Used a walker
CR2_DRMC_COM, CR2_DRMC_TRM	Relationship of Main Caregiver
CR2_DTHC_COM, CR2_DTHC_TRM	Receipt of formal or informal home care (in last 12 months)
CR2_DUR_COM, CR2_DUR_TRM	Duration of assistance from person who provided most non-professional assistance
CR2_FAM_AC_COM, CR2_FAM_AC_TRM	Received non-professional assistance with activities
CR2_FAM_CS_COM, CR2_FAM_CS_TRM	Received non-professional companionship

	and emotional support
CR2_FAM_MB_COM, CR2_FAM_MB_TRM	Received non-professional assistance with mobility
CR2_FAM_MD_COM, CR2_FAM_MD_TRM	Received non-professional medical care
CR2_FAM_MG_COM, CR2_FAM_MG_TRM	Received non-professional managing care
CR2_FAM_ML_COM, CR2_FAM_ML_TRM	Received non-professional assistance with meal preparation
CR2_FAM_MN_COM, CR2_FAM_MN_TRM	Received non-professional monitoring
CR2_FAM_NONE_COM, CR2_FAM_NONE_TRM	Did not require non-professional assistance
CR2_FAM_OT_COM, CR2_FAM_OT_TRM	Received other non-professional assistance, specify
CR2_FAM_PR_COM, CR2_FAM_PR_TRM	Received non-professional personal care
CR2_FAM_TR_COM, CR2_FAM_TR_TRM	Received non-professional assistance with transportation
CR2_FRHC_COM, CR2_FRHC_TRM	Flag for receiving informal home care (in last 12 months)
CR2_GNDR_COM, CR2_GNDR_TRM	Gender of person who provided most non-professional assistance
CR2_HIP_COM, CR2_HIP_TRM	Used hip protectors
CR2_HOUR_NB_COM, CR2_HOUR_NB_TRM	Average number of hours per week received non-professional assistance (past 12 months)
CR2_HRMK_NB_COM, CR2_HRMK_NB_TRM	Average number of hours per week from person who provided most non-professional assistance
CR2_MOST_COM	Activity type which received most non-professional assistance
CR2_MOST_OTSP_COM, CR2_MOST_OTSP_TRM	Other type of non-professional assistance most received, specify
CR2_NMBR_COM, CR2_NMBR_TRM	Number of people who provided non-professional assistance (past 12 months)
CR2_PERS_COM, CR2_PERS_TRM	Dwelling location of person who provided mot

	time for non-professional assistance
CR2_RELN_COM, CR2_RELN_TRM	Relationship to person who provided most non-professional assistance
CR2_WKALL_COM, CR2_WKALL_TRM	Number of weeks received non-professional assistance (past 12 months)
CR2_WKMST_NB_COM CR2_WKMST_NB_TRM	Number of weeks from person who provided non-professional assistance (past 12 months)
SN_CHILDAP_NP_COM,SN_CHILDAP_NP_TRM	Number of living adopted children
SN_CHILDBIO_NB_COM, SN_CHILDBIO_NB_TRM	Number of living biological children
SN_CHILDPR_NB_COM, SN_CHILDPR_NB_TRM	Number of living partner's children
SN_D65P_COM, SN_D65P_TRM	Number of persons in household greater than or equal to 65 years of age
SN_DADLT_COM, SN_DADLT_TRM	Number of persons in household between 16 and 64 years of age
SPA_CHRCH_COM, SPA_CHRCH_TRM	Frequency of participation in religious activities (past 12 months)
SPA_CLUB_COM, SPA_CLUB_TRM	Frequency of participation in clubs or fraternal activities (Past 12 months)
SPA_DFRE_COM, SPA_DFRE_TRM	Frequency of community-related activity participation
SPA_EDUC_COM, SPA_EDUC_TRM	Frequency of participation in educational or cultural activities (past 12 months)
SPA_PREVAC_AF_COM, SPA_PREVAC_AF_TRM	Safety concerns prevented activities participation
SPA_PREVAC_ANA_COM, SPA_PREVAC_ANA_TRM	Lack of activities in area prevented participation
SPA_PREVAC_GA_COM, SPA_PREVAC_GA_TRM	Going along prevented activities participation
SPA_PREVC_GR_COM, SPA_PREVAC_GR_TRM	Grieving prevented activities participation

SPA_PREVAC_HC_COM, SPA_PREVAC_HC_TRM	Health conditions/limitation prevented activities participation
SSA_ADVICE_COM, SSA_ADVICE_TRM	MOS scale: Support availability through wanted advice
SSA_CHORES_COM, SSA_CHORES_TRM	MOS scale: Support availability with daily chores
SSA_CONFBED_COM, SSA_CONFBED_TRM	MOS scale: Support availability if confined to bed
SSA_CONFID_COM, SSA_CONFID_TRM	MOS scale: Support availability if need to confide
SSA_CRISIS_TRM, SSA_CRISIS_COM	MOS scale: Support availability for advising about a crisis
SSA_ENJOY_COM, SSA_ENJOY_TRM	MOS scale: Support availability to do something enjoyable
SSA_GOODT_COM, SSA_GOODT_TRM	MOS scale: Support availability having a good time
SSA_HUGS_COM, SSA_HUGS_TRM	MOS scale: Support availability through hugs
SSA_INFO_COM, SSA_INFO_TRM	MOS scale: Support availability providing information
SSA_LOVU_COM, SSA_LOVU_TRM	MOS scale: Support availability by love and making participant feel wanted
SSA_MEALS_COM, SSA_MEALS_TRM	MOS scale: Support availability if unable to prepare meals
SSA_MINDOFF_COM, SSA_MINDOFF_TRM	MOS scale: Support availability through distraction activities
SSA_NDTLK_COM, SSA_NDTLK_TRM	MOS scale: Support availability if need to talk
SSA_PET_COM, SSA_PET_TRM	Own a household pet for companionship
SSA_PROBLM_COM, SSA_PROBLM_TRM	MOS scale: Support availability for understanding problems
SSA_RELAX_COM, SSA_RELAX_TRM	MOS scale: Support availability through get togethers for relaxation
SSA_SHFEAR_COM, SSA_SHFEAR_TRM	MOS scale: Support availability to share fears

SSA_SHLOV_COM, SSA_SHLOV_TRM	MOS scale: Support availability showing love and affection
SSA_SUGG_COM, SSA_SUGG_TRM	MOS scale: Support availability for suggestions with a personal problem
SSA_TYTDR_COM, SSA_TYTDR_TRM	MOS scale: Support availability if need to go to doctor