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Health and retirement benefits: data from two BLS surveys

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Both the household-based Current Population Survey and the establishment-based Employee Benefits Survey have strengths and limitations with respect to collecting information on health and retirement benefits: demographic information is best obtained from household surveys; details of benefit plans are best collected from establishments.

This article compares information that the CPS and EBS provide on two of the most important categories of benefits: health and retirement plans.

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