

THE COMPUTER-ASSISTED SURVEY EXECUTION SYSTEM (CASES)

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ABSTRACT

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Description:

The Computer-Assisted Survey Execution System (CASES) is a set of general-purpose programs for the collection and processing of data based on structured questionnaires. These programs were designed to handle several types of questionnaires that are frequently used in survey research, but the same programs and procedures may be used for other types of data collection. The most frequently used current applications are usually called Computer-Assisted Telephone or Computer-Assisted Personal Interviewing (CATI or CAPI), Computer-Assisted Self Interviewing (CASI, for projects without any interviewer), and Computer-Assisted Data Input (CADI, for those applications where the data have already been captured or recorded on paper).

The instructions which define a CASES application are written in a general-purpose Questionnaire (or Q) language which defines the precise steps to be taken in processing a given case. A given application, however, may contain several Q language instruments, each of which is appropriate to a different circumstance or stage in the data collection process. CASES programs are written, maintained, and distributed by the Computer-assisted Survey Methods Program (CSM) at the University of California at Berkeley. They are primarily written in the C and C++ languages for the UNIX and DOS environments, and are distributed in object (executable) form through the Association for Computer-assisted



OTHER INFORMATION

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A test release of Version 5.3 has been available for the Microsoft Windows environment since early 2000. Further information about the Association, CASES, or other CSM activities, can be obtained from CSM Software Support Services, 358 Barrows Hall #3820, UC Berkeley, (510) 642-6563 or <http://cases.berkeley.edu>.

Specifications:

Hardware Requirements: Not machine specific

Operating Requirements: UNIX (Solaris, AIX and DEC Unix), MS-DOS 6.x or Windows 98/NT/2000

Media: To match hardware

Source Code: No

Object Code Yes

Documentation: User's Guide

Support: Author supported by telephone, electronic mail, and post.

Licensing Fee:

License Agreement required as part of membership in the Association for Computer-assisted Surveys

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