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MCC = MONICA Collaborating Centre, Abb2 = short abbreviation, RU = Reporting Units. Populations are described in #51–#83. See MONICA Manual Part I, Section 1, Paragraph 4 and Part I, Appendix 2 for description of Reporting Units and of MONICA Collaborating Centres.
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Introduction to the CD-ROMs

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Attached to this book are two CD-ROMs titled ‘CD-ROMs for MONICA Monograph and Multimedia Sourcebook Part 1 and Part 2’.

Contents of the CD-ROMs

The CD-ROMs include:

1. A copy of the basic MONICA documentation, which has been published in the World Wide Web (WWW):
   - the MONICA Manual;
   - all quality assessment reports of the MONICA data;
   - the MONICA data books, which present aggregate data for each population on:
     - population surveys;
     - coronary events;
     - acute coronary care;
     - stroke events.

2. Copies of other WWW-publications from the MONICA Project. They are appendices to papers published in scientific journals, providing methodological details or additional tables. The WWW-publications published up to December 2002 are included.

3. A screen presentation on “Things to remember when analysing the collaborative MONICA data”. It highlights the differences between analyzing data from a single population and that from 30 populations, includes checklists for data analysis, and provides information on the definitions of variables and statistical method used in MONICA.

4. A description of the MONICA Archive which is a long-term store of the Project’s data base. The MONICA Archive has been designed to facilitate ease of use of the data for scientific analysis by anyone permitted access to the data.

5. A sample analysis data set. This includes:
   - population demographics and mortality data;
   - Health services data;
   - Population survey data (20% sample for each Reporting Unit and survey);
   - Coronary event and acute coronary care data (20% sample for each Reporting Unit);
   - Stroke event data (20% sample for each Reporting Unit).

The sample analysis data set was extracted from the ‘basic analysis data set’ of the MONICA Archive, using systematic sampling of the survey and event registration data.

Each data component has an introductory text with references to the data collection procedures, the format and specification of the data in the data set, references to the documentation of the quality of the data, and the directory and name of the data file.

6. A slide presentation of the MONICA Graphics with a spoken commentary, taking you through section #89 MONICA Graphics of this Monograph, making this a ‘Monograph and Multimedia Sourcebook’.

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How to use the CD-ROMs

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