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Subject: Re: Merging DHS data in Stata

Posted by [Bridgette-DHS](#) on Thu, 19 May 2016 14:14:39 GMT

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Following is a response from Senior DHS Stata Specialist, Tom Pullum:

This should work. You will get the same results with `wgt=hv005/1000000` or with `wgt=hv005`. There is no need to divide by 1000000 because Stata automatically re-normalizes pweights to have a mean of 1. For the psu you can use hv021 or hv001. They are identical.

There is typically a small difference between the weight for the same woman in the PR file and in the IR files. That is, her value of hv005 and v005 can be a little different. Similarly for a child. Similarly, hv005 and mv005 for the same man may differ. This is because of adjustments for nonresponse in the IR and MR files. However, given how you have constructed your file, I think it will be ok to use hv005 as the weight for the household units.