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Subject: AR missing values

Posted by [DaniD](#) on Wed, 31 May 2017 20:11:34 GMT

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Hello!

I am wondering if someone could please explain the missing values for the HIV blood test result (hiv03) in the AR files. For example, the Burkina Faso 2003 AR file shows 1,179 missing values for the blood test result. My understanding is that the AR file includes respondents who were not just eligible but actually had a blood sample taken for the purposes of HIV testing. So does this mean that for Burkina Faso in 2003 there were 1,179 blood samples taken that for one reason or another we don't have the results for? I just want to make sure I am interpreting this missing data correctly. Thanks much for any help, I can't tell you how much I appreciate this user forum! :)

Best to all,  
Dani

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Subject: Re: AR missing values

Posted by [DaniD](#) on Sat, 24 Jun 2017 13:52:21 GMT

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Update: My understanding now is that the AR file includes all HIV testing eligible respondents up until roughly year 2004 (some countries still include the eligible respondents who were not tested through year 2005). After that, only tested respondents are included in the AR file.

If this is incorrect, please let me know. :)

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Subject: Re: AR missing values

Posted by [Liz-DHS](#) on Thu, 29 Jun 2017 14:18:13 GMT

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A response for senior data processing expert, Guillermo Rojas,

Quote:

Yes that is correct, we only include individuals that have been tested in the AR files.

Thanks,

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