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Subject: Re: Question on "Reasons for not using contraception"

Posted by [Liz-DHS](#) on Mon, 01 Aug 2016 20:28:42 GMT

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Dear User,

Take a look at Q709 in the questionnaire. This is an alpha variable with codes A - Z. In the recode, each one of these variables has been recoded to its own numeric variable with value labels: 0 No, 1 Yes, 9 Missing

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{ reasons for not using a method }
if length( strip(Q709) ) then      { if applicable }
  V3A08A = alfa2num( 1, Q709, "A" );    { not married }
  V3A08B = alfa2num( 1, Q709, "B" );    { not having sex }
  V3A08C = alfa2num( 1, Q709, "C" );    { infrequent sex }
  V3A08D = alfa2num( 1, Q709, "D" );    { menopausal/hysterectomy }
  V3A08E = alfa2num( 1, Q709, "E" );    { subfecund/infecund }
  V3A08F = alfa2num( 1, Q709, "F" );    { postpartum/amenorrheic }
  V3A08G = alfa2num( 1, Q709, "G" );    { breastfeeding }
  V3A08H = alfa2num( 1, Q709, "H" );    { fatalistic }
  V3A08I = alfa2num( 1, Q709, "I" );    { respondent opposed }
  V3A08J = alfa2num( 1, Q709, "J" );    { husband/partner opposed }
  V3A08K = alfa2num( 1, Q709, "K" );    { others opposed }
  V3A08L = alfa2num( 1, Q709, "L" );    { religious prohibition }
  V3A08M = alfa2num( 1, Q709, "M" );    { knows no method }
  V3A08N = alfa2num( 1, Q709, "N" );    { knows no source }
  V3A08O = notappl;                  { !! health concerns, in DHS-VI joined with next variable }
  V3A08P = alfa2num( 1, Q709, "O" );    { fear of side effects/health concerns }
  V3A08Q = alfa2num( 1, Q709, "P" );    { lack of access/too far }
  V3A08R = alfa2num( 1, Q709, "Q" );    { costs too much }
  V3A08S = alfa2num( 1, Q709, "T" );    { inconvenient to use }
  V3A08T = alfa2num( 1, Q709, "U" );    { interferes with body's normal process }
  V3A08U = alfa2num( 1, Q709, "R" );    { preferred method not available }
  V3A08V = alfa2num( 1, Q709, "S" );    { no method available }
  V3A08W = notappl;                  { !!CS }
  V3A08AA = notappl;                 { !!CS }
  V3A08AB = notappl;                 { !!CS }
  V3A08AC = notappl;                 { !!CS }
  V3A08AD = notappl;                 { !!CS }
  V3A08X = alfa2num( 1, Q709, "X" );    { other }
  V3A08Z = alfa2num( 1, Q709, "Z" );    { don't know }
endif;
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