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Subject: Philippines -Current and Former Marital Status

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I am using the Philippines DHS 2008 and 2013 to study marital dissolution in the country. I am interested whether the type of union e.d. formal marriage of living in, has influence on the likelihood that the union will end up in divorce or separation. In the questionnaire there are three relevant questions that are likely to answer my research questions. Question 601,602 and 603. 601 asks the respondent whether she is currently married or living together. If she answered No she is asked in 602 if she is formerly married, formerly lived with a man and no. If she answered formerly married or formerly lived in, then she is asked whether (603) she is widowed, divorced/annulled or separated. The actual data set captures these variables but it lumps together the formerly married with formerly lived in. I was wondering if it is possible to separate these two categories to distinguish whether those who are currently divorced or separated were formerly married or formerly lived in?

Thank you and hope you can help me on this.

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