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Subject: Re: Recalculating wealth index for rural subset

Posted by [Liz-DHS](#) on Sat, 25 Mar 2017 13:06:45 GMT

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Dear User, A response from Dr. Shea Rutstein:

Quote:

We have a rural-specific wealth index in the standard recode for almost all the newer surveys.

Tanzania DHS 2015-16 should be one of these.

"Wealth Index Variables

HV270 The wealth index is a composite measure of a household's cumulative living standard.

The wealth index is calculated using easy-to-collect data on a household's ownership of selected assets, such as televisions and bicycles; materials used for housing construction; and types of water access and sanitation facilities.

Generated with a statistical procedure known as principal components analysis, the wealth index places individual households on a continuous scale of relative wealth. DHS separates all interviewed households into five wealth quintiles to compare the influence of wealth on various population, health and nutrition indicators. The wealth index is presented in the DHS Final Reports and survey datasets as a background characteristic

HV271 Wealth index factor score (5 decimals)"

If this is not what you are looking for, please post again. Thank you!

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