Subject: Re: Questionnaire DHS 2104 and dataset EGIR61FL: matching questions and varibales

Posted by boyle014 on Wed, 10 May 2017 05:15:41 GMT

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Hi Sara,

You can answer this question very quickly using IPUMS-DHS (www.idhsdata.org), which is a new tool that--among other things--organizes DHS documentation.

Here are the steps:

- 1. At www.idhsdata.org, click on GET DATA.
- 2. Select WOMEN as your unit of analysis (this will access the variables in the IR file).
- 3. Click the SELECT SAMPLES button and choose the Egyptian survey that interests you. Hit "Submit Sample Selections."
- 4. Under SELECT VARIABLES, click on SEARCH and search for V714. This will bring up the variable.
- (In IPUMS-DHS, V714 is called CURRWORK. You can click on ORIGINAL DHS VARIABLE NAMES at the top of the screen if you prefer to see those).
- 5. The variable name is a hot link that takes you to the documentation. If you click on the link, across the top of the page you will see a series of tabs, including SURVEY TEXT. Clicking on that tab will show you the exact survey wording of the question.

You can also see precisely where this question was asked in the questionnaire by clicking on the "text" link next to "View Entire Document."

Looking this up right now, I can see that V714 is based on a combination of questions 811 and 812 for the Egypt 2014 sample.

BTW, you can also download datasets tailored to your particular research needs at IPUMS-DHS. To do that, you have to login using your DHS Program username and password.

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Hope this helps.

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