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Subject: Re: Use of svyset when standard errors are already clustered

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Following is a response from Senior DHS Stata Specialist, Tom Pullum:

The purpose of svyset is to adjust the statistical estimates (mostly the standard errors) for the survey design. You do not need to make any adjustments for the variables in the analysis, such as month and year of birth. The only clustering in the survey design is for the PSUs, given by v021 (v001 is almost always the same as v021). The stratification variable is usually v023 or v022; if in doubt, use the combinations of v024 and v025. The weight variable is v005. There have been many postings on the syntax of svyset--hope you can find them.