
Subject: Re: is re-weighting possible if strata have changed?
Posted by [Bridgette-DHS](#) on Fri, 17 Nov 2017 18:56:08 GMT
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Following is a response from Senior DHS Stata Specialist, Tom Pullum:

Hi Ann--Sorry for the delayed response to this forum question!

If you are sure about this change in classification, then you could do a recode of the stratum variable. You should never change the original data file, so you should save the changed file with a different name. Say that the cluster or enumeration area (did you mean EA rather than EU?) is given by v001=v021 and the stratum is given by v023 (which is not always the case). Say that EA #12 was put into stratum 20 but should be in stratum 22.

I would construct a revised stratum variable called v23rev like this, in Stata:

```
gen v023rev=v023  
replace v023rev=22 if v023==20 & v001==12
```

It would be a little simpler to just say

```
gen v023rev=v023  
replace v023rev=22 if v001==12
```

but I consider it to be a little safer to use the first version.

Please let me know if this does not answer the question. With regards, Tom
