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Subject: Re: Merging children to their mothers

Posted by [Bridgette-DHS](#) on Thu, 01 Feb 2018 15:58:33 GMT

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

You do not need to merge any files to link the child's and mother's anthropometric information. Go to the KR file (IAKR71FL.dta). In this file, the units are children under five and most of the mother's information is attached to the child's record. The child's z scores are hw70, hw71, and hw72. They are exactly the same as hc70, hc71, and hc72, respectively, in the PR file. The mother's anthropometric variables are v437 to v447. For the mother, we would usually select BMI (v445) as the best indicator.