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Subject: Harmonised region variable

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Hello,

I was wondering if there was an already-established way of harmonising the region variable over time for all countries in the DHS. For example variable v101 for Uganda in 2000/1 is: 1 Central, 2 Eastern, 3 Northern, 4 Western, while in 2006 it is: 1 Central1, 2 Central2, 3 Kampala, 4 East Central, 5 Eastern, 6 North, 7 West Nile, 8 Western, 9 Southwest. If I need to do an analysis at the regional variable, I guess I should change the categorisation of the 2006 variable into 1 Central including Central1-Central2-Kampala, 2 Eastern including East Central-Eastern, 3 Northern including North-West Nile, and 4 Western including West-Southwest. Does this make sense? Is there anyone who has already done this harmonisation or should we do it by looking at survey-specific frq files?

Thank you.

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