Subject: Re: definition of urban areas

Posted by kingx025 on Sun, 22 Apr 2018 02:45:40 GMT

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The IPUMS-International project has consulted census documentation from national statistical offices and put online whatever information they had about the definition of Urban in various national censuses. You can find the information online here:

https://international.ipums.org/international-action/variables/URBAN#comparability_section

If you want to impose a more consistent definition of urban status, consider using the contextual variable on population density in IPUMS-DHS (available at idhsdata.org), where you can define whatever threshold(s) you prefer based on population density:

https://www.idhsdata.org/idhs-action/variables/POPDENSITY#de scription_section

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