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Subject: Re: Understanding education completed in single years in Nigeria's Household Data 2013

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The person assigned the value for \_1 in the household file is usually but not always the household head. Note the following results giving the line number in the household roster of the household head across samples, using variable HV218.

[https://www.idhsdata.org/idhs-action/variables/HV218#codes\\_section](https://www.idhsdata.org/idhs-action/variables/HV218#codes_section)

In some samples, there is a one-to-one correspondence between household heads and persons assigned lineno 1, while other samples have exceptions (results based on the PR files). An alternative is using HV101, for relationship to household head, to identify household heads in the PR file (and use HV108 for education in completed years of schooling).

Incidentally, IPUMS-DHS just added household members as a unit of analysis in our database, so you may be able to make a data file for analysis using the PR data available from IPUMS-DHS (choose household members as the unit of analysis), as an alternative to working with the DHS PR files.

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