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Subject: Re: Stata Datasets

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Following is a response from DHS Senior Research Associate, Wenjuan Wang:

The unit of analysis for your research is children under five. You may not need to merge the KR and IR files since a lot of women's variables and household variables are already included in the KR file. But you can check. If you'd like to merge the files, here is some guidance on how to merge DHS datasets: <https://www.dhsprogram.com/data/Merging-Datasets.cfm>.

DHS Fellows from Kenya studied a similar topic. I attached here their working paper in case it is helpful: <https://www.dhsprogram.com/publications/publication-wp126-working-papers.cfm>

Also if you are not familiar with DHS data files, it can be useful to watch some DHS data use tutorials, for example,

Part I: Registering for DHS Datasets: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KBKpudtrv4E>

Part II: Downloading DHS Datasets: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NwSN95Skbql>

Part III: Opening DHS Datasets in STATA, SPSS, and SAS:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=neIMrOd1kkM>

Please let us know if you have other questions.

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