
Subject: Re: how can i create the variable size at birth?

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This is a multiple occurring variables, and each occurrence of every multiple variable must have its own name because statistical packages do not generally support the use of arrays or subscripts. For example, the third occurrence of the variable M18 would be named M18\$03 in SPSS, or M18_03 in SAS and STATA.

You might want to use the Child file (KR) or the Births file (BR), because in these files, you will have just "M18" for each observation.

Children's Data - Children's Recode (KR) has one record for every child of eligible women, born in the last five years. It contains the information related to the child's pregnancy and postnatal care and immunization and health. The data for the mother of each of these children is included. This file is used to look at child health indicators such as immunization coverage, vitamin A supplementation, and recent occurrences of diarrhea, fever, and cough for young children and treatment of childhood diseases. The unit of analysis (case) in this file is the children of women born in the last 5 years (0-59 months).

Births' data - All Children's Recode (BR) has one record for every child ever born of eligible women. Essentially, it is the full birth history of all women interviewed including its information on pregnancy and postnatal care as well as immunization and health for children born in the last 5 years. Data for the mother of each of these children is also included. This file can be used to calculate health indicators as well as fertility and mortality rates. The unit of analysis (case) in this file is the children ever born of eligible women.
