
Subject: Re: merging HW ans KR data for 1994 zimbabwe

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IPUMS-DHS has done the merging between separate file types so researchers don't have to do this merging themselves. Specifically, when the child anthropometry data are given in a separate file, or the wealth index data are in a separate file, IPUMS-DHS does the merging to the standard file types, such as the KR child files. In addition, we merge the mother's record and the record for the mother's household to the child (or birth) file, so you can get the household variables, all the mother's characteristics, the anthropometric child data, and the wealth index data for child records in IPUMS-DHS without doing any merging yourself.

Here is the list of variables available for Zimbabwe 1994 for child anthropometry when children (KR file) is selected as the unit of analysis:

Look for X's in the column headed Zimbw 1994:

<https://www.idhsdata.org/idhs-action/variables/group?id=kidanthro>

You can go to the IPUMS-DHS website (www.idhsdata.org), log in with your DHS username and password, create a customized data file with just the variables you need and in the format you prefer, and download your data "extract" to your computer for analysis. If you would have worked with the KR file for the original DHS files, choose "children" as your unit of analysis on the IPUMS-DHS website.

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