
Subject: Re: Number of strata in 1999/2000 and 2004 BD DHS

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Anna--the stratum that you specify in the complex sampling adjustment of the statistical software (e.g. -svyset- in Stata) is the stratification variable, not the actual stratum number. So for example, if it was a stratified two-stage cluster sampling design where it was stratified by urban/rural residence, then you would specify the vbl that indicates urban/rural (e.g. v025 in DHS) as the stratum instead of v022. Check the final reports on how the sampling was done. In other non-DHS surveys I've worked with, stratification was done by province, etc, so you will need to make the adjustment accordingly.

hth,
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