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Subject: Re: Appending datasets of one country for several years

Posted by [boyle014](#) on Tue, 11 Sep 2018 16:56:33 GMT

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Dear Kamola,

Just a quick note that IPUMS DHS includes unique PSU and Strata variables so users don't have to construct them. They're called idhspsu and idhsstrata, respectively. They are "preselected," meaning they are automatically added to any dataset a user creates at the IPUMS DHS website.

IPUMS DHS is a tool that makes using DHS data files easier. You just select the samples, years, and variables you want. Then you click on View Data Cart to create a single, integrated dataset, with all variables fully harmonized. Use the website itself as a reference--every variable name takes you to important documentation about the variable, such as the skip pattern that produced it (this is under the Universe tab). To use IPUMS DHS, you have to be registered to use DHS data.

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