
Subject: Re: Merging all 4 rounds according to Districts
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Following is a response from Senior DHS Specialist, Fred Arnold:

There is no information on the district names in NFHS-3 since the district numbers were not recorded on the questionnaires and they are not included in the datasets. NFHS-1 and NFHS-2 included district codes, but the surveys were not powered to provide district-level estimates. For that reason, the samples were not designed to include enumeration areas in every district in India. NFHS-4 is the only NFHS survey that includes all districts in the country (at the time of the 2011 Census).

The number of districts in India has changed substantially over time. There were 466 districts at the time of the 1991 Census, 593 at the time of the 2001 Census, and 640 at the time of the 2011 Census (which was the number of districts included in NFHS-4). There are currently 718 districts in India. The NFHS-1, NFHS-2, and NFHS-4 datasets have district codes in the household files, the woman's files, and the man's files. The district names were provided in the documentation for the datasets.
