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

Posted by [Sarah-DHS](#) on Wed, 19 Mar 2014 13:33:57 GMT

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Dear Anna,

Please see the response below from Sampling Statistician Rulin Ren:

The first question about the variable HV022/V022, it is a typical question for many earlier surveys (earlier than 2005), where the variable HV022/V022 coded the paired clusters, not as its label said that it was sampling stratum. And the sampling stratum was not coded. To get the sampling stratum (the best approximation) one needs to use HV024 crossing HV025 (or V024 crossing V025). The BDHS 2007 and 2011 used more detailed residence type (four categories).

Please let us know if this does not answer your question.

Thank you,

Sarah at DHS

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