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Subject: husbands to their wives

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Hi,

I am trying to assess the number of infant deaths experienced by women who ever had children in Pakistan. I need some determinants for my study of which husband's working status is also required as a control variable. I want to merge MR and IR file and use the code as follows;

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use PKMR61FL.DTA, clear
rename mv001 v001
rename mv002 v002
rename mv003 v034
sort v001 v002 v034
keep v001 v002 v034 mv714
save mrir.dta, replace
use PKIR61FL.DTA
sort v001 v002 v034
merge m:1 v001 v002 v034 using mrir.dta
```

My women data has 13558 observations, but after executing the coded above it returns 13928 observations. The merge shows 2798 entries merged.

I am not being able to understand the process here. I mean I suppose the number of observations in the merged file to be the same as women's?

Please help!

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