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Subject: Re: Getting Unmet Need & Demand Satisfied Estimates to Match StatCompiler for 5 Different Surveys

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Around the time that the revised unmet need definition was being produced, several recode datasets were produced containing early versions of the revised definition, and classify some non-currently married women differently from the final definition. Principally the difference is that in v626a certain non-currently married women are classified as "not married and not sexually active" before checking whether they are pregnant or postpartum amenorrheic. In the final revised definition, women who are pregnant or postpartum amenorrheic can have an unmet need even if they are currently "not married and not sexually active". For these surveys we recommend using the survey-specific code found at the bottom of the unmet need page on our website. This applies to Honduras 2011-12, Rwanda 2010-11, Uganda 2011, and to other surveys from roughly the same period.

For Nepal 2006 the numbers you quote from the Stata code are for currently married women, not all women. We should not be presenting data for all women in the STATcompiler as the questions needed for unmet need were only asked for currently married women - we will remove this from STATcompiler. The estimate currently in STATcompiler for all women would be an estimate if you assumed that all non-currently married women have no need.

For Niger 2006, when I run the survey-specific Stata code I match the STATcompiler estimates and not the Stata estimates that you provide.