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

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Hi Charlotte

Sorry for the delay in replying. In response to your question:

1) I was trying to track down a list of datasets for which you need to the code, but I cannot find a list. To be on the safe side I would say any survey before 2013. I know this affects many surveys around 2010-2012, but I don't have a list of exactly which ones.

2) I always run the survey specific code. It will run for all surveys, even those that don't have survey specific modifications. For Niger 2006 using the survey specific code I match the results in STATcompiler. If you run the general code you should also match STATcompiler. But I was not matching your results.

3) DHS has had a long standing tradition of using a "conservative" approach for indicators whereby we include missing and don't know responses in the denominators of indicators, rather than excluding them. We may be underestimating the indicator, but if you treat them as missing, you may be over estimating the indicator. This is an analysts choice, but for DHS we have used this basic conservative approach for many years.

Trevor

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