Subject: Re: Pooled data analysis from 25 countries Posted by Mayank\_Ag on Wed, 06 Feb 2019 19:19:12 GMT

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Thanks a lot for the quick replies!!

I have some follow up questions. Sorry for the trouble but this is my first time with pooled data analysis.

- 1. My analysis has countries with widely varying no. of observations. For Ex:- Indian DHS 4 has around 200000 valid observations while some African country might only have around a few thousand observations. Is the weight perweight adjusted/applicable for such analysis? I read on some post in this forum that combining bigger surveys with smaller ones might give biased coefficients.
- 2. Regarding the clustering I got 2 different recommendations. As you can see Tom and Mahmoud suggested using a fixed effects model by adding a "i.survey" variable to my regression specification. On the other hand you have suggested a multilevel model. Can you please elaborate which model will be more suited for this analysis and how do i decide which one to use. I am sorry but i have never used multilevel models earlier.