Subject: Re: Nutritional status of children (Height-for-age) Posted by Sasmita on Thu, 14 Mar 2019 13:43:17 GMT

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Dear Hope,

I am doing a trend analysis of Nepal DHS data on the nutrition status of under 5 years in different waves from 2001-2016. I merged PR and KR file as I am interested to see both children and maternal-related variables. I am using SPSS.

Problem 1

While working for the data analysis, I could replicate the exact figure from the report for stunting only for the year 2016 data. And could not find a similar figure as in report for other waves (2001, 2011, 2016) with similar consideration. for example, I get 2485 instead of 2475 in 2011 and 5258 instead of 5262 in 2006. I have tried many times and I am taking into consideration:-

- a) sample weight variable (HV005/1000000)
- b) selected de facto children using HV103

Syntax used : Stunting

recode hc70 (lo thru -201 = 1) (-200 thru 9990 = 0) (else=sysmis) into stunting. variable labels stunting "Stunting". value labels stunting 0 "Not stunted" 1 "Stunted". formats stunting (f1.0).

compute wgt = hv005/1000000. weight by wgt.

compute filter_\$=(hc70 < 9990 & hv103=1). variable labels filter_\$ 'hc70 < 9990 & hv103=1 (FILTER)'. value labels filter_\$ 0 'Not Selected' 1 'Selected'. formats filter_\$ (f1.0). filter by filter_\$. execute.

frequencies stunting.

Problem 2:

a)Should I merge the HW file to PR or KR file? Or merge HW file with merged datasets of KR and PR file?

I would be grateful if you can share the ideas for solving these issues. I am struggling with this difference in figures.

Thank you.