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Subject: Re: CPro and Select Utility tools

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The purpose of the SELECT program is to use the SPSS (.SPS) or Stata (.DCT) data definition produced by CPro, with a user defined list of variables, to create a new (subset) SPSS or Stata data definition. To run SELECT, you will need to download the "Flat Data", which will include the following files: \*.DAT/\*.SPS/\*.DO/\*.DCT.

Select does not work with the system data files (.SAV or .DTA). Following are some quick steps on using SELECT:

1. Open SELECT.
2. On the menu, click on "File", and then open the data definition file: .DCT or .SPS
3. Wait while the program checks the data definition file for duplicates
4. Select/highlight the variables of interest on the left panel
5. Click on the "right" pointing arrow in the menu toolbar to transfer your variables of interest to the right panel
6. Click on the "red" GO button in the menu toolbar, to create the new data definition file(s)
7. Select the path and name for the new data definition file(s)
8. Exit the SELECT program. You may save your list of variables in a parameters file, for future use with other surveys.
9. Now run your new data definition on the .DAT file.

I hope this helps.

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