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Subject: Re: Merging Women-Men-HIV Data: Different Countries, Different Years  
Posted by [Yawo](#) on Mon, 18 Mar 2019 14:08:57 GMT

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Bridgette:

I asked this/related questions a bit earlier but got no response - so I am raising it here in the proper context.

for my research, it is important for me to know whether those who are HIV+ are indeed aware of their status (know they are positive). I know the HIV-testing model was tactically confidential and therefore results were not released to participants.

But I am wondering if a combination of two variables - could allow us to make this sort of inference:

- Variable V828 indicates that a sizable number of respondents have had HIV test in the past received the results (and by implication are aware of their status - positive or negative).
- From the HIV biomarker dataset, I call pull out those who are HIV-positive from HIV03.

Will the combination of V828 (HIV status) + HIV03 (positive status) [those who are aware of their status and have tested positive] give me the number who are aware of their HIV+ status? If not, is there any other of getting a sense of those who are HIV+ and know their status?

Thanks , Yawo

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