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Subject: Re: Weighted counts

Posted by [Bridgette-DHS](#) on Thu, 28 Mar 2019 15:35:39 GMT

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Following is a response from Senior DHS Stata Specialist, Tom Pullum:

The DHS weights are NOT "inflation" weights, which could be used to estimate population counts. Rather, the weights are calculated to add up to the sample size, except that they include a factor of 1000000 (one million) which simply moves the decimal place 6 places to the right. If you want to inflate to population, counts, you will have to use a multiplier. We do not recommend doing this, because of sampling error.

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