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Subject: Append IPUMS\_Merge to DHS Data  
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Hello, Thanks for your recent updates re IPUMS. I have a question about linking merged data produced by IMPUMS to similar dataset from the DHS (cross-posted on IPUMS forum on IDHS site).

I am examining HIV risk behaviors in sub-Saharan Africa, and will be using data from the following countries:

Angola  
Benin  
Burkina Faso  
Burundi  
Cameroon  
Chad  
Congo  
Congo Democratic Republic  
Cote d'Ivoire  
Eswatini  
Ethiopia  
Gabon  
Gambia  
Ghana  
Guinea  
Kenya  
Lesotho  
Liberia  
Malawi  
Mali  
Mozambique  
Namibia  
Niger  
Rwanda  
Senegal  
Sierra Leone  
South Africa  
Tanzania  
Togo  
Uganda  
Zambia  
Zimbabwe

I plan to use IPUMS to create a pooled dataset containing selected/harmonized variables of interest. However, IPUMS currently does not have data for the following countries (unless I am mistaken):

Chad  
Gabon  
Liberia  
Sierra Leone  
Togo  
Swaziland/Eswatini

If this is the case, my plan is to go ahead generate the pooled dataset using IPUMS. I have access to the data for these subset of six countries. How do I append them to the IPUMS harmonized version and ensure that it is truly harmonized - with variable and value/labels?

thanks - Yawo

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