Subject: Re: Pakistan 2012-13 and 217-18 regions and provinces excluded for comparability
Posted by Sarah B on Tue, 02 Jul 2019 19:58:32 GMT
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Dear Anju,

Thank you very much for this quick and helpful response! I understand now why AJK and GB should be excluded from national estimates when comparing the 2012-13 and 2017-18 PDHSs for political reasons, even though GB was included in both surveys.

I would appreciate further clarification on the effect on comparability of including FATA in national totals in the 2017-18 but NOT the 2012-13 survey. I understand that FATA was excluded from the 2012-13 survey for logistical/safety, not political, reasons. I see that FATA is included as a region and in national totals for the 2017-18 survey.

When comparing national-level estimates, wouldn't including FATA in the 2017-18 survey but not in the 2012-13 survey skew the comparison? We are analyzing national-level trends, and it seems like we should only include areas that were covered in both surveys so the results are as comparable as possible.

Can you please help us understand why the FATA areas were not/should not be excluded from national estimates when comparing the 2012-13 and 2017-18 survey results?

Thanks again.