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Subject: Appending multiple waves of the NFHS and PSU codes

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Hello,

I am working with the women's module of the Indian NFHS. I would like to create a repeated cross sectional dataset using all four rounds of the survey using STATA ie append all 4 datasets. I have pulled the individual datasets for all 4 rounds and have kept only the variables I am looking at and recoded them. I would like to confirm that if I append these datasets, it would be a sound step to get the cross sectional dataset I am looking for.

Also, what is the difference between PSU numbers in NFHS 2 and 3 vs Cluster nos in NFHS 1 and 4? I want to use -svyset- on the data while running summary stats and analytics and since PSU is a key variable in that, I am not sure how to proceed with varying PSU numbers across waves. For example:

PSU ranges between

2015-16 : 10001 to 360482

2005-06 : 1001 to 33214

1998-99 : 1001 to 33214

1992-93 : 4 to 341

I would really appreciate if the experts at DHS could provide some guidance on that front. Thank you!

Niranjana

Thanks a lot!

Niranjana

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