
Subject: Re: STATA code merge IR and MR into HR files
Posted by [Bridgette-DHS](#) on Tue, 07 Jul 2020 19:36:58 GMT
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Following is a response from DHS Research & Data Analysis Director, Tom Pullum:

When you do a merge, Stata constructs a variable called "_merge". Note the underscore before the word. Its values are mainly 1, 2, 3 and are defined in "help merge". You need a line "drop _merge" before you do a second merge.
