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Subject: Re: Identifying Interviewers who collected biomarker for women/men/children

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Following is a response from DHS staff involved in the fieldwork and data processing of the NFHS 4 survey:

There are indeed 875 unique state/team combinations in the NFHS4 data files. However, it is probably impossible to know the correct number, because some teams had more than one ID code name. During fieldwork, the field agencies were moving people around. There are definitely instances of the same interviewers having different IDs based on what teams they were reassigned to.

For example, the state of Telangana was part of Andhra Pradesh at the time of data collection. It is likely that the 22 teams from AP and TG are the same teams. Most likely there are no teams with different IDs within each state, but it's hard to tell which teams/interviewers were shifted between states and assigned new numbers.

The team ID number is based on the supervisor, so even if the supervisor had been reassigned from one team to a new one, it doesn't mean all the old team members were also reassigned to the same new team.

It's best to regard the number in the report, 789, as an estimate.