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Subject: Which DHS File should I use?

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Dears,

I am writing a research paper using two different DHS series (Earliest and latest) to study socioeconomic related inequalities (measured by wealth index) of individuals. as I am employing the regression-based decomposition of variables, my questions are presented as follows.

1) which files am I supposed to use in calculating u5mr and linking it with mother's age, household wealth index, mother's level of education, sex of children, sex of household head, residence type, and region?

2) which files am I supposed to use in calculating the stunting rate for children aged 5 years and below and linking it with mother's age, household wealth index, mother's level of education, sex of children, sex of household head, residence type, and region?

3) I want to study the changes of those variables between the earliest and latest DHS and thus, Do I have to merge the DHS files for two different periods or estimation must be done separately?

Looking forward to hear from any one of the experts.

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