## Subject: Weights and Strata for Pooled Samples Posted by Yawo on Mon, 10 Aug 2020 16:27:14 GMT

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Hello,

I've used IPUMS to create a combined dataset for men and women for 23 African countries.

As the listing below shows, the weights are not constant within each PSU as they should be. In fact we have two different weights within each PSU, one for males and one for females.

list sample sex weight weight2 psupool stratapool in 115431/115435

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11543	1.   Lesotho	2014	male	.515554	1	4753	336
115432	2.   Lesotho	2014	female	.48581	1	4753	350
115433	3.   Lesotho	2014	female	.48581	1	4753	350
115434	4. Lesotho	2014	male	.515554	1	4753	336
115435	5. Lesotho	2014	female	.48581	1	4753	350

This issue has been the source of "weights not constant within PSU" error I have been receiving when running svy: melogit models.

However, I thought I can adjust the strata and the psu by taking gender into account. Doing so results in constant weights within each psu, as the code and listing below shows.

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egen psupool= group(idhspsu sex)
egen stratapool= group(strata sex)
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list sample sex idhspid idhspsu idhsstrata psupool stratapool weight in 10/15

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10.   Angola 201 .979475	15 male	2401	0001	0001	3	2401000001	2401000	0018	1	321
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12.   Angola 2015 .979475	male	2401	00010026 1	2401000001	2401000018	1	321
13.   Angola 2015 1.001989	female	2401	00010001 02	2 2401000001	240100018	2	18
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## My question:

- 1. Is this necessary to adjust the strata, psu and even the weights when we append male and female data into one file.
- 2. And if so, is my <egen> code the right way to readjust the strata. If not, is there any other way?
- 3. I was able to run my melogit models successfully after applying the adjustment to the strata and the psu, but again, I want to be sure the adjustment is ok, else I would have to revert to running separate models for men and women.

thanks - cY