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Subject: Re: How to merge a person-level data with a child-level data

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Following is a response from DHS Research & Data Analysis Director, Tom Pullum:

Is your "dataset A" the HR file? If so, it will be much easier if you use the PR file, which is already equivalent to a reshaped (long) HR file. You can then just merge the PR and BR files. In the BR file, the line number of the child is b16. This corresponds to hvidx in the PR file.

If you reshaped (long) the HR file, which as I said is not necessary, the person-level index you are asking about would be hvidx.

The BR file contains children of all ages as well as children who have died. Therefore when you do a PR/BR merge there will be many BR cases that are not in the PR file.