Subject: Re: Coding missing or dots (.) in STATA
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Dear Shireen,

Thanks for your reply.

My 2nd Question rephrase; If I have a variable in DHS Stata file eg "Vaccine status" and it is binary coded yes=1 & no=0 along with some missing observations for this variable.

I am recording it as follow;

recode vaccine-status (1=1 "received-Vac") (0=0 "not-vac") (.="."), gen(vac)

What I have an understanding that coding dot(.) as "." does not allow the stata to assign a large value to miss observations (.), thus all-new variables that are re-coded in which dots (.) are given code "." (dot in inverted comas) gives unbiased estimates when used for cross-tabulations and building regression models.

Best Regards

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