Hi there,

Please can you detail how urban/rural households are classified in the 2018 Zambian household survey (I'm using the household member recode ZMHR71FL). When I look at the questionnaire that was administered there is no question for rural/urban location which would then correspond with the variable hv025 in the recode file. Therefore, in the recode file, if a household is in a rural area, is this based on the classification of the wards or enumeration areas as rural?

Also, how are rural and urban areas defined (and where would peri-urban areas fall in this binary classification)? Does the DHS have a specific definition for rural/urban areas?

As far as I can see there are no details provided in the Final Report for the Zambian DHS.

Many thanks in advance for your help!