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Subject: Re: NFHS4: age at first intercourse, age at first cohabitation, age at first marriage

Posted by [Rojin S.](#) on Wed, 04 Nov 2020 10:13:18 GMT

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Thank you for your answers.

As I studied these variables in more detail, I noticed that I could not find the questions you mentioned (313 and 314/308 and 309) in the questionnaire (<https://dhsprogram.com/pubs/pdf/DHSQ7/DHS7-Womans-QRE-EN-17D ec2018-DHSQ7.pdf>). Is there a mistake?

Also, to summarize what was said:

- v511 should be used as the variable indicating the age at first cohabitation but only takes into account women who were married at the time of the survey (excluding separated, divorced and widowed women).
- s308y should be used to have the year of the first formal marriage (and contains all ever-married women)
- s309: also contains data for formal marriage? Why then only 10,342 answers are given?

Thank you again.

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