Subject: Re: Exploring data file in CDHS 2014

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

You should be able to do what you want with just the KR file, which has one record for each child born the past five years to the women in the household who were eligible for the women's interview and were interviewed. It contains the anthropometric variables, hw70-hw72. Those variables appear in the PR file as hc70-hc72 and for a somewhat greater number of children--all those who were living in the household, whether or not their mother was alive and in the household and interviewed. The IYCF variables are also in the KR file, and are not in the PR file.

If you want to include household-level variables that are not already in the KR file, I would recommend a merge with the HR file. The merge would match hv001 hv002 in the HR file with v001 and v002 in the KR file. You will probably find that the information you want about the household and the mother are already included in the KR file and you may not need to do this merge at all.

The HR and PR files contain almost exactly the same information. The main difference is that the PR file is very long, with one record for each household member and the HR file has one very wide record for each entire household. The records (cases) in the HR file sometimes include other household-level information that is not in the PR file.