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Subject: Re: Merging child recode with DHS GPS data  
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aishwaryya wrote on Wed, 23 September 2020 10:50

Hi team,

I merged the DHS child recode with the corresponding year's DHS GPS data for several countries for several waves each with an aim to get the latitude and longitude for the cluster corresponding to each child. For 3 waves of The Philippines (2003, 2008 and 2015) and 1 wave of the Zimbabwe (2015), a total of 38 DHS coordinates did not merge with any children (`_merge == 2`, i.e., 38 not merged from using). This means there are 38 clusters for which cluster coordinates are available, but the child file has no children in those clusters.

This seems odd to me - why are there multiple clusters with no children of interviewed mothers in those clusters? Am I missing something here? Thanks in advance for your guidance!

Note: I merged using DHSClust variable.