
Subject: Re: coverage of variables v717 and mv717 in Mali V and VI waves
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Following is a response from DHS Research & Data Analysis Director, Tom Pullum:

You can merge information from the household head with the children in the household with the following steps. Open the PR file and enter "keep if hv101==1" . That will reduce the file to just the household head, one and only per household. Then "rename hv001 v001", "rename hv002 v002", "sort v001 v002" , and then "merge v001 v002 using KR.dta", where KR.dta has been sorted on v001 and v002. You don't need to specify the child's ID code (which is bidx) in this merge. Just using the cluster and household ID codes for the household head and the child (or children) in the household will do it. I recommend that you reduce to the variables you plan to use, before doing the merge. No need to carry along a lot of variables you don't plan to use.
