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Subject: Re: Pooled datasets - weighting data problem  
Posted by [Bridgette-DHS](#) on Wed, 04 Jun 2014 20:45:20 GMT  
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Comment from Ruilin Ren, Senior DHS Sampling Expert:

Yes, it is true that even when pooling two different surveys from the same country, you need to de-normalize the sampling weight because the sampling fractions of the two surveys might be very different. But it does not matter if your study units are all women 15-49 or a sub-set of them, or even if your study units are children under five from the women's data file. You need to de-normalize V005 using the population of women 15-49 at the time of the survey, or the best estimates you can get.

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