Subject: Re: Child Poverty Analysis for Ethiopia Posted by Bridgette-DHS on Thu, 21 Oct 2021 12:04:33 GMT

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

Everything in the HR file is also in the PR file. I don't think you need the HR file. Everything in the KR file is also in the BR file. Everything in the KR and BR files is also in the IR file. I doubt that the FW file would be useful.

Some children in the KR/BR files are not in the PR file (children who have died or do not live with the mother). Some children in the PR file are not in the KR/BR files (children whose mother has died or is not living with the child). Some child outcomes are collected in the household survey, e.g. height and weight, and are already copied from the PR file into the KR/BR files. Some other child outcomes are collected in the interview with the mother and are in the KR/BR files but not in the PR file.

The preparation of a single data file with all these indicators is not easy, and it may not be the best way to proceed. An easier option would be to analyze each indicator in the file where it is already found, without merging files. The code for several kinds of merges is already posted on the forum. We can't provide code for what you propose to do.