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Subject: Re: age at first cohabitation/v511

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You don't say which country and survey you are talking about, but I am guessing that you are talking about the India NFHS based on the link you included.

1) The dataset has not yet been updated.

2) v511 includes both formal marriages and informal unions where the woman and her partner live together as if married. The response to "How old were you when you first started living with him?" is included in v511 as this information is used to impute the century month code from which v511 is created.

3) As note in 2) v511 includes both formal marriages and informal unions.

4) How are you doing the comparison of v511 to hv105? Are you correctly linking the record for the respondent from the PR file to the IR file? For the most part, you should not see cases where v511 is much higher than hv105 if the cases are properly linked. Code for child marriage in R is not available yet, but you could refer to the code in Stata to see how it is calculated. Or refer to the Guide to DHS Statistics.