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Subject: Re: EGYPT's DHS 2008 sample weighting  
Posted by [Liz-DHS](#) on Tue, 17 Jun 2014 21:17:56 GMT  
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Dear User,

Please check our website's section on Using Datasets for Analysis

<http://dhsprogram.com/data/Using-Datasets-for-Analysis.cfm>

This will step you through the analysis process and help you locate resources you may need. The map which was distributed with the data set will also help you identify the variables you need.

The Guide to DHS Statistics [http://dhsprogram.com/pubs/pdf/DHSG1/Guide\\_to\\_DHS\\_Statistics\\_29Oct2012\\_DHSG1.pdf](http://dhsprogram.com/pubs/pdf/DHSG1/Guide_to_DHS_Statistics_29Oct2012_DHSG1.pdf) can also be very useful along with the Standard Recode Manual

[http://dhsprogram.com/pubs/pdf/DHSG4/Recode6\\_DHS\\_22March2013\\_DHSG4.pdf](http://dhsprogram.com/pubs/pdf/DHSG4/Recode6_DHS_22March2013_DHSG4.pdf). The

Standard Recode Manual has a description of the variables along with commentary on how and why they are used. Your map has the recoded variables which are specifically for the data set you downloaded.

Here's a little bit of CPro code that might help identify some of the variables you may need:

```
box v632 => V632W;
  1 => 1;
  2 => 3;
  3 => 2;
  => 4;
endbox;
modmet2 = notappl;
tradmet2 = notappl;
nousing = notappl;
meth = V312;
box meth => method;
  0 => 0;
  1-3 => meth; { 1-Pill, 2-IUD, 3-Injections }
  11 => 4;    { 4-Implants }
  17 => 5;    { 5-Diaphragm/foam jelly}
  5-7 => METH+1;
  16 => 9;    { 12-Emergency contraception }
  8,9 => meth+5; { 13-Periodic abstinence, 14-Withdrawal }
  18 => 15;
  10 => 16;   { 15-Other }
  => default;
endbox;
if V313 = 0 then          { not using }
  nousing = 1
elseif V313 = 3 then      { using modern }
  modmet2 = method;
elseif V313 = 1 | V313 = 2 then { using traditional & others }
  tradmet2 = method;
endif;
```