Subject: Re: Inconsistencies in heights between NFHS-3 NFHS-4 Posted by Janet-DHS on Fri, 27 May 2022 16:20:13 GMT

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

We have confirmed the pattern you observed, with an inconsistency between men's heights (for men in same birth cohorts) in the NFHS 3, 4, and 5. We also agree that it's not found for women. Thus far we have been unable to identify the source of the inconsistency. It is unlikely that the change is real--it's more likely the result of some change in procedures or adjustments during fieldwork, but why it should appear only for men is a mystery. Please raise the issue again if you do not see a better explanation in the next month or so.