Subject: Weighting after pooling multiple countries Posted by dgodha on Fri, 10 Jun 2022 14:21:58 GMT

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Hello DHS Experts,

Thanks to you and this forum, I have learnt a lot on pooling and weighting.

My current focus on pooling is to gain insight into stunting and neonatal mortality across Sub-Saharan Africa. I have pooled 19 countries but I don't want one country to dominate the results. I plan to do logistic regression instead of multi-level modelling.

Accordingly, I have given equal weight to each survey (before pooling) using the following commands:

scalar TOTWT=1000000 quietly summarize v005 scalar T=r(sum) gen v005r=v005*TOTWT/T

In addition, I have modified the stratum and psu variables as follows:

gen cluster_id=survey*1000+v021 gen stratum_id=survey*1000+v023

Now, I am not sure if I have surveyset correctly- do I still need to divide my weight variable by 1000000? My code is as follows:

gen wt=v005r/1000000 svyset cluster_id [pweight=wt], strata(stratum_id) vce(linearized) singleunit(centered)

I will appreciate your guidance on this. Many thanks