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Subject: Caste data for 2019-21

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I've just downloaded DHS data for India 2019-21, and there is no raw data on caste / tribe from which the variable on SC / ST / OBC / Other was created. I imagine that individual responses to the exact caste for each household in response to the question "What is the caste or tribe of the head of the household?" (label variable sh48) were recorded and then categorised using responses to sh49 ""Is this a scheduled caste, a scheduled tribe, other backward class, or none of the above?"

Please can you tell me how best to access detailed information for each respondent's reported caste (not SC/ST/OBC) in sh48? Or is this information not available?

I have noticed that in the last few weeks two other users have posted a similar question about caste data in the 2019-21 dataset, but there has been no response from DHS.

Thanks!

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