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Subject: Re: Age at menarche

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A good resource for researching a question/variable is the IPUMS-DHS site, which allows users to do a web-based search on a string or variable. Variable names in IPUMS include links that provide extensive information, including variable description, cautionary notes, the survey text used to generate each variable, including its codes and frequencies, variable meaning and universe (who was asked the question), and precise question wording.

You should also check the questionnaires to see if the question was asked in the surveys of interest. The questionnaires can be found in the appendix of the final reports. The question "How old were you at the time you experienced your first menstruation?" is a country specific question, and is not asked in all surveys. If you cannot find the variable in the dataset or in the questionnaires, then the information was not collected.

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