
Subject: Re: NFHS 2019-21, Spousal age gap
Posted by [Bridgette-DHS](#) on Wed, 01 Mar 2023 16:00:24 GMT
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Following is a response from Senior DHS staff member, Tom Pullum:

In the IR file, the age of the husband / partner is given as v730. This variable comes from the woman. In the CR file, the age of the husband is mv012, which comes from the man and the MR file, and is probably more accurate, but is only available for a fraction of the couples because men were subsampled. You could look at the CR file and compare v730 with mv012 to see how closely they agree when both are available.

You could perhaps calculate the age difference as mv012-v012 for the women who are in the CR file and as v730-v012 for the women who are NOT in the CR file. For women without a partner, the difference would be NA.
