Subject: Re: domestic violence weights at psu level Posted by Bridgette-DHS on Wed, 22 Mar 2023 12:02:07 GMT

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Following is a response from Senior DHS staff member, Tom Pullum:

Weights are not used in the construction of a variable--only in the analysis, as part of the estimation commands. If you use propensity scores, factor analysis, glm models, etc., you should be able to include a specification of weights with svyset and svy in the estimation command.

There are a few complex estimation procedures that do not have an option for weights. Historically, when a package just as Stata first includes a new method, it may not initially include an option for weights, but in later versions the option is added. If there is no option for weights, then you have no choice, but if there is such an option, it's best to use it. Propensity scoring has been around for a long time and I'm pretty sure Stata allows pweights and svyset/svy for this procedure.