I would like to know how we can use the variable v717 (respondent's occupation) in the analysis for NFHS-5. From the NFHS-5 report, it is clear that v717 has only been collected at the state level, a sub-sample of 15% of households were selected for the implementation. 85% of the response has been coded as missing ("."). Can you confirm how we can use v717 as an independent variable in the regression? "svy: reg dependentvar v717 controlvars if v717!=.."; Otherwise, how to tackle the problem of large missing values in the independent variable?

Also, can you please confirm the use of weight for the same analysis? Is it correct to use svyset using v005 for the analysis [svyset [pw=v005], psu (v021) strata(v023)singleunit(centered)]?