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Subject: Re: Merging Female (IR) file and Male (MR) files  
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Following is a response from DHS staff member, Tom Pullum:

Men were subsampled in NFHS-4 and -5, so there are only about 1/6 as many men as women. If the cases for women and men were put into a single file, and a weight was calculated as v005 for women and 6\*mv005 for men, the weighted sample would be approximately representative of the population of women and men combined. This simple calculation of a combined weight is probably not optimal but would be useful. (In regressions these weights would automatically be re-normalized to have a mean of 1.) It would be safest to give separate estimates for women and men separately rather than for the pooled sample.

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