
Subject: Re: BMI Variables for Men's file

Posted by [Janet-DHS](#) on Mon, 08 Jan 2024 15:32:01 GMT

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

BMI for women and men is in the PR file. For women it is ha40 and for men it is hb40 (yes, height and weight were measured for men). For women, ha40 was copied into the IR file as v445. There is indeed an MR file (for men), and I would have expected hb40 to be copied into it as mv445, but the MR file does not contain mv445 or any of the usual anthropometric variables. You will have to merge hb40 into the MR file.

Regarding recodes for the DV variables, you should be able to find them in the GitHub generic chapter 17, https://github.com/DHSPProgram/DHS-Indicators-Stata/tree/master/Chap17_DV.

Yes, to match husbands and wives you should go to the CR (couples) file. It will be much easier to use this standard file than to try to merge the IR and MR files yourself.
