
Subject: Understanding DHS Data

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Hi all,

I'm currently looking at DHS surveys in Malawi. I've loaded up the data and all but am having some trouble understanding the content. For example, column v113, according to the DHS Recode Manual, corresponds to the type of source of drinking water. The values in that column for each respondent is 21, 43, 14, 97, and so on. I'm trying to understand the meaning of these numbers. The DHS Recode Manual says they're country-specific, but doesn't allude at all to where I can derive their meanings.

Thanks!
