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Subject: Re: About extracting information on household characteristics

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

There is a secret for this survey. You have to specify another field when doing a merge. In the HH and PR files it is "shconces" and in the IR, KR, BR files it is "sconces". The following lines will work.

A few other surveys conducted about this time also have a secret identifier, but with various names that you would never guess. Fortunately when I found this one in 2015 I made a note of it.

\* Specify a workspace

```
cd e:\DHS\DHS_data\scratch
```

```
use "...MLHR41FL.dta", clear
```

```
rename hv001 cluster
```

```
rename shconces concession
```

```
rename hv002 hh
```

```
save HR.dta, replace
```

```
use "..MLBR41FL.dta", clear
```

```
rename v001 cluster
```

```
rename sconces concession
```

```
rename v002 hh
```

```
merge m:1 cluster concession hh using HR.dta
```

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