
Subject: Re: 2015 dataset, female genital cutting
Posted by [Bridgette-DHS](#) on Wed, 20 Mar 2024 12:49:18 GMT
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Following is a response from Senior DHS staff member, Tom Pullum:

I see a511 and a512 in the IQ file and I think they are the two variables you are referring to. a511 ("shall the practice of female circumcision should be continued or stopped") gives the woman's personal attitude. a511 ("do you think that the other gender wants this practice to continue or to stop") does not refer specifically to the husband, but to men, in general. At any rate, a512 is a perception. It cannot be interpreted as the actual attitude of the husband or of men in general.

I have looked at the CH file. You can easily put the mother's data onto the child's record, with the following two lines:

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use "...EGCH73FL.DTA" , clear  
merge 1:m hpsu hnumber eligline using "...EGIQ73FL.DTA"
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You would save this file with a new name, perhaps EGBR73FL.DTA, although this is definitely not a standard BR file. I see that it includes children in the age range 0-14.

We are still checking whether there were interviews with men as part of the 1995 survey. We will post a followup response as soon as possible.