
Subject: Re: MERGING DV CHARACTERISTICS TO CHILD OUTCOME

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

What do you mean by "a child mortality dummy"? There is a variable b5 in the KR and BR files that is 1 if the child survived to the date of interview and 0 if died.

The IR and BR files go out to a maximum of 20 children ever born. The KR file goes out to a maximum of 5 births because it only includes children born in the past 5 years.

The following Stata lines will add the DV variables for the mother to the children's data.

* Specify a workspace

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

* Save a version of the IR file restricted to the DV variables (or other variables

* you want to add to the KR or BR file), plus the ID variables

```
use "...IAIR7EFL.DTA" , clear
```

```
keep v001 v002 v003 v024 d*
```

```
save dtemp.dta, replace
```

* Open the KR or BR file

```
use "...IAKR7EFL.DTA" , clear
```

```
gen in_file=1
```

```
tab in_file
```

```
merge m:1 v001 v002 v003 v024 using dtemp.dta
```

* Restrict to cases in the child file

```
tab _merge in_file,m
```

```
keep if in_file==1
```

* Save this file with a new name
