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Subject: Re: V024 -NFHS4 and NFHS5

Posted by [Bridgette-DHS](#) on Fri, 10 May 2024 11:23:50 GMT

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

You are correct--the codes assigned to the states of India were different in the NFHS-4 and -5. This will be an issue if the files are pooled. There have been several posts on the forum regarding the need to check whether the coding of variables, especially country-specific variables, is consistent when surveys are pooled. The labels in the last file in an append will over-write the earlier labels. In many countries, the coding of v024 has changed over time. I hope users have checked for this and have prepared (and carefully checked) recode commands.

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