Subject: Re: NFHS-1 Weight for Age Missing for 4 States in HW File Posted by AkhilK28 on Mon, 13 May 2024 21:48:07 GMT

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Hello Fred,

Thank you for getting back to me! As you mentioned in your very helpful response, the weight-for-age z score should not be impacted by missing height for the children in these 5 states, however in the NFHS-1 data file (IAHW22DT), the weight-for-age z score seems to be missing for children in these 5 states with the reason being "height out of plausible limits". As you mentioned, height data not being collected should not impact the weight-for-age z score computation! I am using the variable hc71 in the IAHW22DT file for NFHS-1 and following the merge procedure outlined in MERGE.DOC to bring in the state variable (v024) from the KR file (IAKR23DT) for NFHS-1.

Does DHS have a corrected HW dataset of the weight-for-age z scores for the children in these 5 states for NFHS-1 using the new WHO standards?