
Subject: IR and NR files

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Dear All,

I am having issues with the DHS dataset, particularly the IR and NR files for Tanzania. In the IR file, the timing of the first antenatal visit (months) is represented by several variables such as m13_1-m13_6. However, in the NR file, there is only one variable, m13, for the timing of the first antenatal visit. I find the variables in the IR file more relevant to use, but there is no detailed information explaining these variables in the IR file (this is just one example of many such variables in the two different files).

Could any of you provide clarification on how I can use the IR file variables, as it contains more relevant variables for my study than the NR file? Additionally, if anyone has any idea on how to merge the two files, I would appreciate it. The guide to DHS statistics does not provide an explanation on how to merge these files.

Thanks,
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