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Subject: Re: Weighting and slums in NFHS-3

Posted by [Bridgette-DHS](#) on Tue, 23 Sep 2014 13:35:55 GMT

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Following is a response from Senior DHS Expert, Fred Arnold:

In NFHS-3, slum information was collected only for the following eight cities (Chennai, Delhi, Hyderabad, Indore, Kolkata, Meerut, Mumbai, and Nagpur). Therefore, the identified slum population in NFHS-3 does not include any slum dwellers outside of those eight cities. For that reason, the percentage of children in slums in NFHS-3 will always be much lower than the census percentage of children in slums in the whole country or in those states that include those eight cities.

Your Stata code was checked by Senior DHS Expert, Trevor Croft, and following are his comments:

There are a couple of things I would change, but they don't make a difference to the results:

- 1) The line under "// urban/rural" refers to v02, but that should be v025. V02 doesn't exist. I'm assuming that this is just a typo when copying it to the userforum.
- 2) Instead of "aweight = v005", we would recommend using "iweight = v005/1000000", but this has no effect on the basic percentages he is looking at.