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Subject: Re: Mismatch in the partner's age given in the IR file vs MR file  
Posted by [Bridgette-DHS](#) on Fri, 12 Jul 2024 12:46:15 GMT

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

The "mv" variables come from the men's questionnaire and describe the responses given by the men themselves. We would consider them to be more accurate. Similarly, women's responses about themselves (such as their age) would be considered to be more accurate than responses from their partner or from the household respondent (in the household survey). Sometimes there is an interest in the partner's perception, but self-reports are usually (maybe not always!) more accurate.

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