
Subject: Re: Guidance on Using Weights for North-East India Analysis in NFHS-5
Posted by [Bridgette-DHS](#) on Fri, 12 Jul 2024 12:57:55 GMT

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

The state weights would be used for the analysis of a single state, but for a group of states, such as North-East India, you would use the national weights.

I suggest the following, although it is really not necessary. You could re-normalize the national weight, which has a mean of 1 million at the national level, so that it has a weight of 1 million for the region. You would do that by opening the IR file, reducing it to the North-East, and then entering these two lines (in Stata):

```
summarize v005  
gen v005_region=1000000*v005/r(mean)
```

Then the mean weight of v005_region will be 1000000.
