
Subject: Re: Question about coding for the variable SSTATE for Northern Nigeria in 2003,2008. and 2013

Posted by [Liz-DHS](#) on Thu, 25 Sep 2014 15:09:37 GMT

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Dear User,

I have attached a spreadsheet containing variables which contain how the Nigeria state names were classified in 2003, 2008 and 2013. The one that is different is the 2003. The spreadsheet shows the state names in the 2003 dataset in the country specific variable SHSTATE. In the 2008, the data processing person for that survey realized the classification was different and created a country specific variable in the 2008 data set to show the 2003 classification. That variable in the 2008 dataset is called S2003ST and contains the same information as SHSTATE in the 2003 data set. In the 2008 dataset SHSTATE shows the classification for 2008. The classification for the state names in the 2013 NDHS are located in a country specific variable called SHSTATE.

The final report for 2003 has Table A.1 Allocation of the sample, P212 Appendix A. You will be able to tell from the table which states are in each classification such as North Central, etc. The final report for 2008 has state tables beginning on page 317, Appendix A. You will be able to tell from the table which states are in each classification such as North Central, etc. The final report for 2013 has tables also in Appendix A, starting on page 369 showing the classifications.

All the reports also have tables throughout the report which have state as one of the background characteristics. The above is just a quick place to find the classification. Our final reports can be downloaded from our Publications Tab on our website <http://dhsprogram.com/publications/publication-search.cfm>

Thank you for your post. Hope this helps.

File Attachments

1) [Nigeria_State_Names_2003_2008_2013.xlsx](#), downloaded 1295 times
