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Subject: Re: Comparing DHS6 and DHS7 district wise data

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

There have been earlier forum questions on this issue. Unfortunately, the implementing agency in Pakistan has not released the label for the district variable in the Pakistan 2017-18 (DHS-7) survey. Therefore we cannot confirm that the numerical codes match with the same names as in the 2012-13 (DHS-6) survey. We do not know why this information was restricted for the 2017-18 survey, especially since it was freely provided for the 2012-13 survey. It is possible that it will be released eventually, but the most recent request was made about a year ago. If any Pakistani researchers can help with this effort, it will be appreciated.

For your second question, a rate is a characteristic of a group. Perhaps what you want to do is to merge a woman in the IR or PR file with the same woman in the CR file? Please clarify.

I also do not understand your third question. You can construct a file of household heads from the PR file by selecting the PR file members who have hv101=1. The CR file is a file of couples (a woman and a man) who name each other as partners. In most of these couples, the man will be the head of the household; in some of them the woman will be; in some of them neither will be (the household head is someone else). Are you trying to identify couples which include the head? Couples which do not include the head? Are you trying just to attach some household-level variables (from the HR or PR file) to the CR records? If so, you can get household-level variables for the woman and man themselves, because both of them appear in the HR and PR files, and you do not need to merge with the household head. Please clarify.

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