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Subject: Re: Appending Multi-phase Nigerian DHS Surveys

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Hi Bridgette,

I have a follow-up question about the survey design (please note that I am working with the Nigerian DHS for 2003, 2008, 2013 and 2018 ir file). I would like clarification on the correct approach for creating the strata\_id for my pooled dataset. Based on my understanding from the survey reports, the stratification for all four surveys seems to be based on urban and rural areas within each state. However, v023 for 2003 is based on regions and urban/rural residence, for 2008 it's based on only states. Do I use the v023 that way?

I am considering constructing the strata\_id in my pooled dataset by combining state (sstate) and urban/rural residence (v025) for all four surveys and then grouping that with the survey variable to create a unique strata\_id for each survey phase.

Could you please confirm if this is the correct approach to creating the strata\_id for the pooled dataset, or if there is another method?

Thank you for your assistance.

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