
Subject: Re: Emotional and psychological violence against men in Colombia
Posted by [Janet-DHS](#) on Wed, 04 Dec 2024 19:43:46 GMT

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

Please look at the questionnaire, in an appendix to the final report. It lists the specific questions that are classified as psychological, emotional, or sexual violence (some surveys also have a category of economic violence). The data file also lists the specific items and the report should give some detail on the items.

I looked at the IR and MR file and there appears to be an exact correspondence between the items included for women and men. For example, dm103a and b are NA for men, and d103a and b are NA for women. d104 and dm104 are both NA.

The combined indicators are based on whether any of the component items get a "yes" response. For example, the indicators of specific kinds of violence are d105a, b, c... These are summarized by two yes/no variables: d106 is "yes" if any of the "less severe" violence items are "yes"; d107 is "yes" if any of the "more severe" violence items are "yes".

The domestic violence questions are standard but a country can decide to drop some of them, perhaps on the basis of very low incidence in an earlier survey. As you can see with the Colombia 2015 data files, the dropped items are listed with "na" in the variable label, and the variable is included but is coded with a dot (in Stata), so you can see explicitly how the survey deviated from the full module.
