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Subject: Re: BDHS2022\_Sex and Age of respondents selected for biomarkers (blood pressure/blood glucose)

Posted by Janet-DHS on Wed, 15 Jan 2025 13:53:33 GMT

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

These variables are test results, not responses to questions. I agree with you that it is confusing to have the same label for more than one variable. In this case, the two variables differ in that sb267 is for women and sb367 is for men. Here is how I confirmed my suspicion that that was the case (hv104=1 is males and hv104=2 is females):

summarize sb\*67 if hv104==1

Variable	Obs	Mean	Std. Dev.	Min	Max
sb267	0				
sb367	6,553	143.1547	188.5172	48	996

. summarize sb\*67 if hv104==2

Variable	Obs	Mean	Std. Dev.	Min	Max
sb267	7,998	133.1017	164.0002	35	996

This distinction extends to all of the sb2\* and sb3\* variables in this survey.

I don't know of a manual that covers this kind of a pattern, but it's common for biomarkers. Please ask if there are others that you have questions about.

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