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Subject: Re: PDHS 2017-18 Table 4.3: Age at first Marriage Table

Posted by [Janet-DHS](#) on Tue, 21 Jan 2025 21:02:41 GMT

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

Users must always be wary of potential subsampling. It happens that the BD 2022 survey had a more complex design than earlier rounds. For subsamples (indicated by seligbm and sbpbjg), biomarkers were included. In order to keep the interview duration down, some of the usual questions were skipped for the women with biomarkers. Age at first marriage was NA for those women.

The easiest way to modify the program for those cases will be to insert the line "drop if v511==." right after opening the IR file.

This is a short response but it took a while to make this diagnosis! Frankly, I thought that v511 was never NA in an EMW survey.

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