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Subject: Re: Differences between v012 and v447a in KR file of NFHS-4

Posted by [lucasbank](#) on Tue, 22 Apr 2025 10:37:00 GMT

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Varsha wrote on Sun, 12 January 2025 15:47Hello,

I'm creating a variable for the mother's age, but there are some differences between v012 and v447a. Which one should be preferred?

Thanks

You should use `v012` as the standard and reliable variable for the mother's age in years across DHS datasets. Only consider `v447a` if the survey documentation specifically advises its use, as it's non-standard and may vary in meaning.

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