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Subject: Re: Daughter age at circumcision Mali 2006  
Posted by [aligazan](#) on Thu, 15 Jan 2015 16:17:37 GMT  
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Hi Trevor,

Many thanks for this thorough response.

I noticed today that a new version of the Mali dataset has been released with this variable added/corrected which is great - especially as I had not quite yet got on to following your instructions myself.

I am working on it now and will be following your first steps of splitting the unit and number field. As I am using SPSS not Stata I will try to figure out how to do this using your Stata instructions - I may be in touch again if my SPSS syntax skills are not up to the job.

For future reference is there any way of knowing that a variable is a composite variable in the way that you describe? I have noticed that ages are recorded in different ways.

Once again, many thanks for your help.

Janet

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