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Subject: Assistance on estimating infant feeding practices using DHS data  
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My name is Lungile Motsa, a student at the University of the Witwatersrand in Johannesburg, South Africa. I am writing this email to seek assistance on clarity and advice on how I can derive the categories of infant feeding practices using DHS dataset.

I am currently doing a research on "The Influence of Infant Feeding Practices on Infant Mortality in Southern Africa" and intending to use DHS datasets. However, I am currently not clear about how to obtain my infant feeding practices categories from the DHS. The categories of infant feeding practices I plan to have are ;

1. Exclusive breastfeeding
2. Partial breastfeeding
3. No breastfeeding

I will be also using STATA 12 for data analysis.

I will be very grateful to get advice in this regard.