Subject: Pakistan DHS 2012/13: Any geographic information?
Posted by anynamedontcare on Tue, 03 Feb 2015 23:28:00 GMT

Dear DHS-Team,

I would like to use the DHS surveys for Pakistan for the years 2012/13 and 2006/07. However, for my research question at hand, it is crucial to obtain some sort of information about the geographic location of the

I would like to quickly pull together all the information that I obtained so far from reading various posts in this forum:

Firstly, the 2006/07 survey comes with GPS data (my request for access is still pending) and one can eventually use this data to find out the district name for each cluster.

Secondly, for the 2012/13 survey, you stated in a previous post that the GPS data is not yet distributed and will not be made available in the future. However, when another user asked for district names for the DHS conducted in 1990/91, you were able to provide the district names and further information on cities within the district for each cluster. In this post from Mid 2013, you stated that similar information might be available for the 2012/13 survey in the future. I was wondering if it would be possible to get access to such a list by now.

Thirdly, I understand that cluster GPS coordinates are randomly displaced in order to protect confidentiality and that caution applies to analysis below the DHS region level as the households chosen in each cluster were not selected to be representative for the particular location of the cluster, but rather for the DHS level. I was wondering if you could provide further information on the way in which the households are chosen within the cluster and in what dimension they might differ significantly from the average household within that cluster area. I am asking this as depending on the selection process and how salient the selection criteria is within the research question I would like to purseu, the non-representativeness might be of more or less concern.

I apologize for the lengthy message and I am looking forward to your response!

Please do not hesitate to ask for further clarifications in case I did not express myself clear enough!

Thanks for your help!

Best regards,

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