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Subject: Re: variables for svyset in Stata (Bangladesh 2011)

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I want to correct a few miscomprehensions here:

- 1) For this survey v022 and v023 are identical, so it doesn't matter which you use.
- 2) The strata for this survey are not just urban/rural within the 7 administrative divisions, but are actually 3 separate groups within each division:
  - a) Urban city corporations
  - b) Other urban areas
  - c) Rural areas

There are a total of 20 strata as there is no city corporation strata for Rangpur.

- 3) While using the singleunit(centered) parameter is one way around the problem of a stratum with a single unit, in general we recommend to regroup the strata with a similar strata and not use the singleunit parameter. In this case I would regroup strata 5 (Rajshahi city corp.) which only has the one cluster (after the selection for this estimation) with strata 11 (Rajshahi other urban). The difference in the results between the two approaches however will be tiny.