Subject: Re: How to combine data from different countries for a period of years? Posted by Trevor-DHS on Mon, 16 Mar 2015 23:46:44 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

If you are using only Egpyt xxxx survey you should be using weights. The reason for this is that the probability of selection of households as used in the sample design varies for different parts of the country. To correct for this it is necessary to use weights. You will find the relative weights in one of the following variables:

v005 - for women and children's datasets

hv005 - for household and household member datasets

mv005 - for men's datasets

If you are combining surveys for, say, Sudan and Egypt, then you have to not only use the weights, but also denormalize the weights (described in other posts on the forum) before pooling the data.