Subject: Re: Calculating WTFR Posted by schoumaker on Fri, 08 May 2015 08:04:12 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

Hello,

Thank you for sharing the CSPro program. I tried to adapt it in Stata and compute WTFR in some countries. I got the same results as the published results in Niger 2012 for instance, but not in Niger 2006.

I have a question about this part of the code.

```
if V613 in 0:90 & chi < V613 then
colt606 = 1;
xtab( t606b, rweight )
endif;
colt606 = 2;
```

It seems children are declared as wanted if the number of surviving children at the time of conception is lower than the desired number of children (chi < V613) AND if v613 is between 0 and 90. The first condition is fine, but I am mot sure what this second condition means. This looks like children are considered unwanted in case V613>90, including if V613 is a non-numeric responses (v613=96).

Is my interpretation correct ? I also read in the Guide to DHS Statistics that "For ideal number of children, non-numeric and "don't know" responses are considered to be high numbers, so that all births are considered wanted. Births to women with missing information on ideal number of births are considered as unwanted. " (GUIDE TO DHS STATISTICS, 2006, p.88); this seems to be different from the CSPro code.

Thank you in advance for looking at this.

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