
Subject: Cambodia DHS 2010 - variables with \$ in the name

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I am currently analyzing some aspects of the Cambodia DHS 2010 in SPSS 19. I have a question with regards to the Individual Women's data (IR).

There are a few variables with respect to Maternity that contain \$1 - \$6 in the code. For example, variable M2A which is 'Prenatal: doctor or medical assistant' is described on the file as M2A\$1 - M2A\$6 but only M2A\$1 has 6445 valid entries while the remaining ones M2A\$2-M2A\$6 have zero valid entries. For variable M3A 'Type of person who assisted the delivery of the child' the same applies but M3A\$1 has 6442 entries, M3A\$2 has 1619, M3A\$3 has 141, M3A\$4 has 7 valid entries and the remaining two M3A\$5-M3A\$6 have 0 entries.

What is the difference between the variables (i.e. between M2A\$1 - M2A\$6)
