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Subject: Re: Panel data set for cross country analysis  
Posted by [Bridgette-DHS](#) on Thu, 09 Jul 2015 14:34:23 GMT  
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Following is another response from Tom Pullum:

Analytical Study 38 ( <https://www.dhsprogram.com/publications/publication-AS38-Analytical-Studies.cfm>) does the sort of thing you are suggesting. Yes, technically it is possible, although the data management may be challenging. I believe it can produce useful results, if that's what you mean by theoretically possible. But I'm not sure everyone would agree.

If you are pooling countries, look for interaction effects--that is, for country effects that are not just additive. For example, the relationship between education and contraceptive use may not be the same in every country. My main advice would be to avoid over-simplification....