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Subject: Re: Convert DHS (SPSS?) missing value codes to Stata codes in Stata dataset

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Not sure what you mean by "wrong" codes. It is perhaps "inconvenient" that Stata do not recognise special codes as "missing," but they are certainly not "wrong." Sometimes it is useful for the user to distinguish missing values that were the result of a skip pattern (.) vs. missingness because of non-response or a response of "don't know." It is up to the user to manage the data in such a way that is useful to him or her. Why do you need to convert from SPSS to Stata? Are the India DHS data not available in Stata format?

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