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Subject: Replicating HIV testing coverage rates  
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I am interested in the levels of HIV testing response/coverage for men and women at the regional level within countries in sub-Saharan Africa. However so far I have had problems replicating the results displayed in the country reports. I am using SPSS.

The DHS recode manual suggests that the variables I need for this when looking at individual women are v473a or v473b. I also believe that the data should not be weighted, either with the HIV sample weight 'HIV05' or the individual sample weight 'v005'. I am not sure where I am going wrong. Do I need to recode the HIV related variables in some way? Or is it because incomplete interviews have been dropped from the file? The recode manual says that for the result of the individual interview (v015) in flat format data files cases with a result code different than 1 (i.e. incomplete interviews) are dropped from the file. If they have been dropped, am I still able to compute response/coverage rates?

Thanks in advance for any help.

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