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Subject: Toilet facility type codes don't match

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Hello,

Looking at the 2011 DHS-VI questionnaire for Bangladesh, the question on toilet facility types (#107 in the questionnaire) has codes of 11-15 for various flush toilets, 21-23 for pit latrines, and then 31 for "composting toilet," 41 for "bucket toilet," 51 for "hanging toilet/hanging latrine" and 61 for "no facility/bush/field". However, the recode variable hv205 has values of 11-15, 21-23, 31, and then 41-43 (instead of 41, 51, 61). Offhand I would assume that 51 and 61 simply translate to 42 and 43 respectively, but this doesn't seem to match up with the numbers, looking between the weighted proportions I get and the percentages in the final report: at a guess, hanging latrines are code 43 and none/bush/field is 31, but bucket toilets are not reported and composting toilets are also unclear then, since they were meant to be code 31 according to the questionnaire.

Is there anyone with knowledge of the 2011 survey coding who can say how these codes should be interpreted?

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