Subject: Re: Nepal DHS 1996

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To answer the piece regarding the district level in the Nepal 1996 DHS:

As you mention, this survey did not collect GPS data. Unfortunately, this greatly complicates analysis at levels lower than the representative regions used for the survey. The lowest representative regions are the subregions, which are a combination of the development and ecological regions (see: http://spatialdata.dhsprogram.com/boundaries/#view=map&c ountryId=NP&surveyId=86&level=3 for a map). As Dr. Rutstein mentioned, the SWARD variable exists in the dataset, but this is a survey-specific variable and does not necessarily align with any standard names for any lower level areas. If there is any possible way to link that variable to known areas, we do not have that information--you could inquire directly with the implementing agency to see if that is a possibility.

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