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Subject: Re: Need Help

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Sumera,

Use the DHS recode manual:

[http://www.dhsprogram.com/pubs/pdf/DHSG4/Recode6\\_DHS\\_22March 2013\\_DHSG4.pdf](http://www.dhsprogram.com/pubs/pdf/DHSG4/Recode6_DHS_22March 2013_DHSG4.pdf)

There are several options for age. HW1 is age in months for those who were measured for Height/Weight, but if you were measured for H/W, then you were under-5. So one option is to just use the child recode as that is 1 observation per child under 5.

You can also use the birthdate information to calculate the ages of children - see the recode manual for the birth-date and interview-date variables.

Once you have age, you can just generate a variable for "under 5" by using:

```
gen u5 = 0  
replace u5 = 1 if age_in_months<60
```

Obviously you could generate or use an "age\_in\_years" variable too if you prefer. But all the information you need is in the recode manual - just search for "age" and you'll find what you want. The "HW" and "B" variables (variables starting with those letters) are a good place to start.