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Subject: Understanding the variables

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I am using DHS data for Zimbabwe 2010-2011. I have been naming some variables in ZWHR62FL. Now i want to work on file ZWIR62FL. The issue is I would like to merge the two files. I prefer renaming for easy understanding. Is it possible to combine data in household file to household members file and then to women file? I noted that to merge household data to women`s data requires renaming eg HV001 to V001. Does it mean that the I have to rename HV001 and HV002 only or other variables of interest also? Is it correct to rename "source of drinking water" in the women`s data and that in the household file data the same? When the survey is done, is one questionnaire used to prepare the various data files, for instance, questions asked a household member (female), is it the same member who is also asked for the women`s data.

Am looking at the impact of women empowerment on reproductive health. With education being the proxy for women empowerment, which variables from the DHS maybe the best to use?

Am a new learner and Stata is also new, so please bear with me.

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