
Subject: Recalculating wealth index for rural subset
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I am running analysis on Ethiopia for the rural subset. Since the wealth index was calculated for the entire country, I don't think it would be appropriate to use the built-in wealth index variables (v190, v191), as the the wealth index scores follows a bimodal distribution where scores for rural areas are concentrated around the lower range of the values and the scores for urban areas are concentrated around the upper range of the values. In addition, the variables used may fall on the "wealth" construct differently for urban vs. rural (reference). For this reason, I would like to recalculate the wealth index for Ethiopia for the rural subset only.

The documentation (also here) states that the variables used to create the index come from the HH questionnaire, including country-specific assets. Is there a way for me to get a list of all the variables used for Ethiopia 2011?

And a more theoretical question: if I am running the analysis on this rural subset using my recalculated wealth index score, is it still valid for me to use the built-in sample weight vbl (v005)?

Thanks
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