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Subject: Mr.

Posted by [Luanda](#) on Sun, 24 Apr 2022 11:57:20 GMT

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Hi everyone,

I am trying to analyze the effect of women socioeconomic characteristics (including Intimate partner violence) on their children health.

I have merged children and women data sets but it appears that women interviewed for domestic violence do not have data on their children health status making it difficult to analyze the association.

If I keep only women interviewed for domestic violence in my merged data set, I lose all observations for children health. I don't know if I am mistaken or if this is the way the survey is designed.

If this is not the case, please assist on how I can proceed with my analysis.

Looking forward to your feedbacks.

Thanks!

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Subject: Re: Mr.

Posted by [Janet-DHS](#) on Mon, 25 Apr 2022 14:46:41 GMT

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Following is a response from Senior DHS Specialist, Kerry MacQuarrie:

Can you please provide some more detailed information so we can better advise you? Can you let us know:

- Which survey you are using?
- The children's health outcome variables you are using?
- Which data files you are trying to merge, including which you have set as the "master" data file and as the "using" data file?
- Which ID variables you are using to match your cases?
- Which software you are using (Stata, SPSS, R, etc)?

In the meantime, this YouTube video explains DHS data structure and may help you confirm if you are using the correct data files.

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BmiSDPebmgc&list=PLagqLv-gqpTMx2Q10C\\_prJRnCtM55C0o8&index=33&t=150s](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BmiSDPebmgc&list=PLagqLv-gqpTMx2Q10C_prJRnCtM55C0o8&index=33&t=150s)

I look forward to your response; I'm sure together we can troubleshoot the issues you are having with your merge.

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