
Subject: Calendar Data

Posted by [saady](#) on Sun, 27 Apr 2014 11:26:56 GMT

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Dear Sir/Madam

i would analyze ever used contraception using calendar data. is there any criteria, how many months respondent using contraception is called ever used contaception? if respondent used contaception just 1 month, could we called it ever used?

Thanks

Subject: Re: Calendar Data

Posted by [Liz-DHS](#) on Tue, 06 May 2014 21:06:29 GMT

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Dear User,

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"Ever use of contraception is defined as contraceptive practice at any time, while current use is defined as use of a contraceptive method around the time of the survey."

If you have additional questions, please feel free to post again.

Thank you!

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Posted by [saady](#) on Thu, 04 Sep 2014 14:24:11 GMT

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Thanks Liz

But how to create ever used contraceptive variabel? In data set its not available.

Do you have any command using stata?

Thanks

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Posted by [Liz-DHS](#) on Fri, 05 Sep 2014 14:16:20 GMT

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Dear User,

Which survey and year are you working with? We will be better able to answer your question if we have that information.

Thanks!

Subject: Re: Calendar Data

Posted by [saady](#) on Sat, 06 Sep 2014 16:12:22 GMT

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I am working with Indonesia Demographic and Health Survey (IDHS) 2012

Thanks for your respon

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Posted by [Trevor-DHS](#) on Sat, 06 Sep 2014 20:37:17 GMT

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In older surveys where information on ever use of contraception was collected, the information is stored in the v305 series of variables. In newer surveys where ever use of contraception is not collected, you can create a set of variables for whether the method was used at all in the calendar using code such as this:

```
foreach x in 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 L N W {  
  gen usedincal_`x' = 0  
  replace usedincal_`x' = 1 if strpos(vcal_1,"`x'")  
}
```

This code creates a dichotomous variable for each method, coded 1 if the method was ever used in the calendar of the respondent.

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Posted by [saady](#) on Mon, 08 Sep 2014 08:47:18 GMT

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Thank You
