Subject: Column labels missing in excel file after converting from SAS file
Posted by KP on Wed, 15 Feb 2023 21:12:17 GMT
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Hi,

I am working on the "Individual Recode" SAS file from NFHS-5, which has 5,972 columns. I am trying to understand what each column name stands for. I tried to convert this file to an excel file (for just one observation), but in the conversion, only the column names show up, and not the column descriptions (labels). Please see images attached for how the file looks in R, and the converted version on excel. I have tried adjusting row and column widths in excel. Can anyone please help with this?

Thank you

File Attachments
1) Excel file.png, downloaded 340 times
2) SAS file on R.png, downloaded 350 times

Subject: Re: Column labels missing in excel file after converting from SAS file
Posted by Bridgette-DHS on Thu, 16 Feb 2023 13:32:22 GMT
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Following is a response from Senior DHS staff member, Tom Pullum:

The "columns" are variables. If you import the Stata or SAS or SPSS versions of the standard recode files into R, the variables, including labels, should come through. You should not have to use Excel to view the data. There are other R users on the forum--perhaps they can help.