Subject: IR and MR variables
Posted by AAmp1710 on Tue, 14 Mar 2023 18:47:40 GMT
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Hi,

I'm currently trying to see the causal relationship between siblings' sex and life outcomes (educational attainment, marital status).

I see that IR contains all the variables i need (MM1,V106,V501). However this datasets is just for women

In Men MR data, there is just life outcomes variables but not siblings' sex variable.

Should I merge MR with IR and if so how with using stata or is there other alternative to get siblings' sex variable for men?

Subject: Re: IR and MR variables
Posted by Bridgette-DHS on Wed, 15 Mar 2023 15:29:13 GMT
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Following is a response from Senior DHS staff member, Tom Pullum:

There may be some confusion here.  We do not have information about the siblings of the respondent, other than from the mm variables in the sibling history, which are about the survival and cause of death of the siblings. The other variables in the IR file, such as v106 and v501, refer to the respondent herself.

Only a few DHS surveys, none of them recent, have included sibling histories as part of the interview with men. Except for those surveys, there are no mm variables in the MR file.