Subject: unmet need for modern method
Posted by machiyama on Sun, 07 Apr 2013 11:24:20 GMT
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Hello!

I am trying to construct a variable on unmet need for modern methods using the general Stata code provided on this web page http://www.measuredhs.com/topics/Unmet-Need.cfm (it's great DHS shares this code!).

I changed Line 17 and 19 to the following.
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recode unmet_mdn .=4 if (v312>0 & v312<8) & (v605>=5 & v605<=7)
recode unmet_mdn .=4 if v312 > 10   & (v605>=5 & v605<=7)

recode unmet_mdn .=3 if (v312>0 & v312<8)
recode unmet_mdn .=3 if v312 > 10

However, I don't get the same estimates as ones in Table 4 in the DHS report on revising unmet need for FP.
Am I missing something?

Many thanks!

Subject: Re: unmet need for modern method
Posted by Sarah B on Thu, 13 Jun 2013 10:36:01 GMT
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Hi Kazuyo,

I think your problem is that your code doesn't include Lactational Amenorrhea Method (LAM) as a modern method. USAID considers LAM as a modern method. To match Revising Unmet Need, you'll want to code v312 = 13 as a modern method. I believe that in some surveys the code for LAM is survey-specific, so might not be code 13. In Spanish-speaking countries LAM is MELA.

Hope that helps,
Sarah