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Subject: Anthropometric data in 2003 Ghana DHS dataset

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Dear Team DHS,

I want a bit of clarity on the measurement of the anthropometric measures in 2003.

I can find from the household member file that the various child anthropometric measures are populated across several children of the woman even beyond 5 years.

Additionally, if when I restrict the the variable summary to those under 5 years, I find that 2 under 5 children of a woman share the same anthropometric measurement. Example a child aged 0 and child aged 2. I do not find this in the other surveys.

I would want to understand what is going on and to ask if there is anything specific I need to bear in mind when working with dataset.

Thank you.

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