
Subject: Linking 2003 Birth Data to GIS data - weird cluster variables

Posted by [Debby Didwell](#) on Fri, 13 Mar 2015 22:39:43 GMT

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Hello Everyone,

I have been working with 2008 and 2013 DHS datasets and have had no trouble linking the Birth and GIS data.

I just started using the 2003 DHS for Nigeria - and on merging noticed that for the GIS data, DHSCLUST (recoded to v001 before merge) ranges from 101 to 2216 (297 unique values), and for the Birth data, v001 ranges from 1 to 365 (362 unique values).

Its unusual that v001 and DHSCLUST do not overlap. And that the ranges are so different.

Can someone clarify why that is? And how to match clusters appropriately given this, perhaps, discordance?

Thanks,

Debby Dibs

Subject: Re: Linking 2003 Birth Data to GIS data - weird cluster variables

Posted by [Liz-DHS](#) on Mon, 16 Mar 2015 22:58:04 GMT

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Dear User,

Your message has been forwarded to one of our experts. We will post once we have a response. Thank you for your post.

Subject: Re: Linking 2003 Birth Data to GIS data - weird cluster variables

Posted by [ClaraB-DHS](#) on Tue, 17 Mar 2015 16:20:44 GMT

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We have looked into this matter and need some further information from you. What are the names of the datafiles you are trying to link?

The most up to date Nigeria 2003 GPS file is named: NGGE4BFL

This file has 365 rows numbered 1-365.

The BR file that you should be using to link with is named: NGBR4BFL

This file has 365 rows numbered 1-365.

Subject: Re: Linking 2003 Birth Data to GIS data - weird cluster variables
Posted by [Debby Didwell](#) on Wed, 18 Mar 2015 16:56:44 GMT
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Thank you for the reply.

I think I was using an older version of the GIS file.

I just re-downloaded the whole 2003 DHS, and the GIS file: NGGE4BFL cluster variable
DHSCLUST and V001 variable seem to match.

Thanks for the help.

Best Wishes,

Debby
