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Subject: Indonesia DHS 2012 urban/rural by census block and village

Posted by [amyfinnegan](#) on Tue, 02 Jun 2015 12:46:42 GMT

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Hello -

I am working with the 2012 Indonesia DHS. I am linking the DHS to the PODES (Village Potential Surveys) in Indonesia by the village codes. I have created these 10 digit codes by concatenating the DHS variables v024, sregmun, ssubd and svillag. First, I have inserted leading zeros so that sregmun is 2 digits, ssubd is 3 digits and svillag is 3 digits. When I tabulate the village codes by v025 (urban/rural), I find that some observations (sometimes 1 or 2) within a village may be classified as urban with the rest (~25) being classified as rural or vice versa. I find the same thing when I tabulate v001 (cluster number/PSU) with urban/rural. I would have thought that census blocks (the PSU in this survey) and villages should be either urban or rural but not both. Additionally, I find that I have more villages than census blocks (1,943 vs. 1,832). Lastly, I also find that when I give each PSU-household number a unique id by concatenating v001 and v002 that some households are classified as both urban and rural.

Any help sorting this out would be much appreciated!

Many thanks,  
Amy

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Subject: Re: Indonesia DHS 2012 urban/rural by census block and village

Posted by [amyfinnegan](#) on Tue, 16 Jun 2015 09:47:15 GMT

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Hello -

I wanted to update this question with some new information -- but not a complete answer. I was recently in contact with the women who runs the DHS Program in Indonesia and she informed me that census blocks should not be classified as both urban and rural. Others have noted that villages should be either urban or rural as well.

I just wanted to give this post a bump so it comes to the attention of DHS that there may be an issue with coding of urban and rural in the 2012 DHS.

All the best,  
Amy

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Subject: Re: Indonesia DHS 2012 urban/rural by census block and village

Posted by [Liz-DHS](#) on Tue, 16 Jun 2015 19:54:12 GMT

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Dear User,

I have forwarded your message to one of our experts. As soon as we have a response we will post.

Thank you for using The DHS Program User Forum.

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Subject: Re: Indonesia DHS 2012 urban/rural by census block and village

Posted by [Liz-DHS](#) on Tue, 23 Jun 2015 20:02:15 GMT

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Dear Amy,

Thank you again for your post. This is indeed a problem. We are looking into it and figuring out the best course of action. We provided limited technical assistance on this survey but very much appreciate your input. As soon as we have something new to report we will post on our website and the forum. Please check back with us from time to time and I will follow up.

Thank you!

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Subject: Re: Indonesia DHS 2012 urban/rural by census block and village

Posted by [amyfinnegan](#) on Fri, 07 Aug 2015 19:08:37 GMT

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Hi DHS -

An email went out earlier today (to all users of the Indonesia 2012 DHS, I think) indicating that an updated dataset has been posted to the DHS data archive.

Thanks so much for the prompt attention!

Amy

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