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Subject: Decoding Calendar Data provided in DHS in SPSS

Posted by [anjalistats](#) on Tue, 23 Jun 2015 08:02:53 GMT

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Hello, This is Anjali, a research scholar in India.

I am trying to study the contraceptive switching behaviour in an Indian state but am unable to decode the VCAL variables to fetch the information regarding contraceptive switching behaviour and reasons for the switches. I work in SPSS. Just hope someone can help.

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Subject: Re: Decoding Calendar Data provided in DHS in SPSS

Posted by [Trevor-DHS](#) on Fri, 26 Jun 2015 08:45:55 GMT

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We are working on preparing a tutorial on using the reproductive calendar (VCAL) and hope to make this available in the past few months. In the meantime I recommend reading the "Model Further Analysis Plan: Contraceptive Use Dynamics" (<http://www.dhsprogram.com/publications/publication-FA59-Further-Analysis.cfm>) that provides useful information about the calendar.

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Subject: Re: Decoding Calendar Data provided in DHS in SPSS

Posted by [anjalistats](#) on Fri, 26 Jun 2015 09:25:53 GMT

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Thank You so much for the reply. I have already gone through "Model Further Analysis Plan: Contraceptive Use Dynamics", but am unable to get the CAL2SPSS program and DYNPAK. I request you to guide me through this.

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Subject: Re: Decoding Calendar Data provided in DHS in SPSS

Posted by [anjalistats](#) on Thu, 27 Aug 2015 10:48:03 GMT

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Hello everyone, I did not get any substantial guidance regarding my query about VCAL\$1. Hope to get the same soon.

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Subject: Re: Decoding Calendar Data provided in DHS in SPSS

Posted by [owraza](#) on Thu, 27 Aug 2015 11:09:10 GMT

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Hi there, you might get some help from this discussion

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