Subject: Child Unique Identifier
Posted by faiz_economics on Wed, 30 Dec 2015 10:38:01 GMT
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Dear DHS Specialist,

I have merged IR (Women's) file with the KR (Kids') file using the following command. merge 1:m
v001 v002 v003 using KR. It merges properly, however, i am unable to get Unique Identifier for
every child. There is a repetition of child number in the merged file. How can i get the Unique
Identifier. I am working on Pakistan's DHS 2006-07 and 2012-13.

Regards and Thanks,
Faiz

Subject: Re: Child Unique Identifier
Posted by Bridgette-DHS on Tue, 12 Jan 2016 18:39:37 GMT
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Following is a response from Senior DHS Stata Specialist, Tom Pullum:

The combination v001 v002 v003 will identify the mother. A mother will appear once in the IR file,
but she will appear multiple times in the KR file, once for each child born in the past five years.
The unique identifier for the child will be the combination v001 v002 v003 bidx. For a given
mother, bidx will be 1, 2, etc., for the children born in the past five years.