Subject: Women Empowerment
Posted by RahulHoque on Mon, 25 Jan 2016 17:10:02 GMT
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Hello,
I am new to DHS data and SPSS data. Studying Economics at University I need to create an Article on Women's empowerment and intend to use the Womens DHS data from Bangladesh to show the factors that influence empowerment levels. (Domestic Violence, attitudes to wife-beating, Decision making, mobility and control over resources.)

However, due to being new, I can't seem to properly get to grips with the DHS 2011 Bangladesh data within IBM SPSS. Both the data and SPSS are quite confusing. I was wondering if there are any guides/videos/help in general I could obtain so I can carry out my research step by step on the levels of empowerment in Bangladesh; any help would be much appreciated!

Kind Regards!

Subject: Re: Women Empowerment
Posted by Liz-DHS on Mon, 25 Jan 2016 17:30:09 GMT
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Dear User,
A good place to begin is by accessing our website and clicking on the link for "data". From there you can click on the link for "Using Datasets for Analysis". That section contains many useful tips including videos for working with our data. In addition, please utilize The Guide to DHS Statistics http:// www.dhsprogram.com/publications/publication-dhsg1-dhs-questi onnaires-and-manuals.cfm and the Standard Recode Manual http:// dhsprogram.com/publications/publication-dhsg4-dhs-questionna ires-and-manuals.cfm
Normally the recode variables for domestic violence all begin with the letter "D", however, the Bangladesh DHS 2011 survey did not include questions on domestic violence.
V744A - V744E are the recode variables addressing attitudes re: wife-beating, look at V739 through V743D for variables on decision making. Please consult the Standard Recode manual for the rest of the variables you are interest in. Thank you!

Subject: Re: Women Empowerment
Posted by kingx025 on Sun, 22 Apr 2018 22:14:18 GMT
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You may find the IPUMS-DHS website helpful in identifying variables available in your interest areas. Since you are interested in the Bangladesh data, I will use the survey selection tool to limit to those DHS samples, but one could do a similar look for any country or group of countries in the database.

1) Go to idhsdata.org
2) Click on Select Data

3) Choose women as the unit of analysis (IR file data)
4) Use the survey selection button to limit samples to Bangladesh DHS
Here's the display of variable availability in the groups you mentioned:

Attitudes toward domestic violence:
 https://www.idhsdata.org/idhs-action/variables/group?id=dv_a tt

Experience of intimate partner violence:
 https://www.idhsdata.org/idhs-action/variables/group?id=dv_d vh

Household decision-making:
 https://www.idhsdata.org/idhs-action/variables/group?id=dec_ dec

Individual mobility/decision-making
 https://www.idhsdata.org/idhs-action/variables/group?id=dec_ other

For control over resources, perhaps look at work-related variables
 https://www.idhsdata.org/idhs-action/variables/group?id=ses_ work

An X means the variable is in the sample listed above it. Clicking on the variable name brings you to detailed information about each variable, including the question wording, who was included (universe) and what the variable means. If you log in with your DHS user email and password, you can make a customized data file with the samples and variable you need, in the format you prefer (e.g., Stata, SAS, SPSS).

While I encourage you to explore the other advised resources about the DHS, I think you could jumpstart your research project working with the IPUMS-DHS documentation and customized datasets.

Hope this helps.

Miriam King