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Subject: Discrepancies in Observations (Children's File 2014 Ghana DHS)

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Dear Sir,

Please with regards to the children's recode file of the Ghana 2014 DHS, it can be seen that the total observation is 5884, however, a variable like b8 (child's age) has a total frequency of 5,595 which is less than 5,884 but Child's birth order has a total frequency of 5, 884 which is in line with the observation. Also this can be seen with regards to variables h4 (polio 1), h6 (polio 2) and h8 (polio 3) in which each had a total frequency of 5,592 or 5,588 excluding don't know responses which is less than 5,884 and h0 (polio 0) with a total frequency of 5, 594 or 5590 excluding don't know responses also less than 5,884. Also even there is a difference of between the total frequencies each for h4, h6, and h8 which were the same on one hand and h0 on another. Several of such situations can be seen for most variables like h34(Vitamin A), h42(Iron sprinkles), h43 (drugs for intestinal parasites) which all had total frequencies less than 5,884 and others. So please are these occurring due to missing data as i have assumed? please explain. Thank you

Best regards,

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