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Subject: Do I really need to Weight the DHS data  
Posted by [r01efa16](#) on Thu, 22 Dec 2016 16:27:58 GMT  
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Hello everyone,

I know that here we discussed deeply and several times the issue of weighting the data from DHS before using them in the analysis.

My observation is I employ the data in a regression analysis, and I did run the regression once with weighted data set and another time without, using the written lines 'below' from the website ([http://dhsprogram.com/data/Using-DataSets-for-Analysis.cfm#C P\\_JUMP\\_14042](http://dhsprogram.com/data/Using-DataSets-for-Analysis.cfm#C P_JUMP_14042))

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generate wgt = v005/1000000  
tab var [iweight=wgt]
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But I did not find a big difference either in the regression estimators or in the standard errors

So my question is Do I really need to Weight the DHS data before using in the analysis?

I really need your comments

Thanks

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Subject: Re: Do I really need to Weight the DHS data  
Posted by [Bridgette-DHS](#) on Wed, 28 Dec 2016 19:06:56 GMT  
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Following is a response from Senior DHS Stata Specialist, Tom Pullum:

The position of DHS is that you should always make the survey design adjustment, even if they do not seem to make much difference.

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Subject: Re: Do I really need to Weight the DHS data  
Posted by [r01efa16](#) on Fri, 20 Jan 2017 13:26:14 GMT  
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Well Thank you so much

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