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Subject: cameroon 1998 v002  
Posted by [krritter](#) on Thu, 09 Mar 2017 17:21:33 GMT  
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Hi all,  
I'm looking at the IR file for cameroon for 1998. Looks like the v002 field doesn't match the portion of the caseid field I'm used to seeing. Am I missing something about Cameroon? Or early years' data?  
Thanks,  
Karen

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Subject: Re: cameroon 1998 v002  
Posted by [Liz-DHS](#) on Thu, 23 Mar 2017 19:00:23 GMT  
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Dear User,  
I looked at the Standard Recode Manual for DHS II and found the following regarding the CASEID:

Quote:

Case identification used to uniquely identify each respondent. In most surveys this is constructed by concatenating the cluster or sample point number, the household number and the respondent's line number, but in some surveys this may be the questionnaire number taken from the front page of the questionnaire.

For V002 I found the following:

Quote:

V002 Household number is the number identifying the household in which the respondent was interviewed, within the sample point. In some cases, this variable may be the combination of dwelling number and household number within dwelling. In these cases, the original variables are included as country-specific variables.

For more information on the various recode manuals please visit <http://dhsprogram.com/publications/publication-DHSG4-DHS-Questionnaires-and-Manuals.cfm>

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Liz,  
Thanks for responding. I created a new v002 field by extracting the portion from the caseid field. I was then able to merge with the files I needed. Not sure if this is 'proper' but it worked.

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gen v002str=substr(caseid,8,3)
gen v002= real(v002str)
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order v002, after(v001)

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That's Great!

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