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Subject: Shall I drop observations with missing value Before or After weighting?

Posted by [AmsP](#) on Fri, 07 Apr 2017 08:04:15 GMT

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My variable of interest is v133, but in DHS database there may be some observations whose v133 is missing (e.g. blank or 999). I am pooling databases of various survey rounds for a particular country into a single database. So I drop observations with missing values AFTER de-normalisation, but BEFORE weighting. Is this correct?

Thank you very much!

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Subject: Re: Shall I drop observations with missing value Before or After weighting?

Posted by [Bridgette-DHS](#) on Fri, 07 Apr 2017 14:29:21 GMT

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Following is a response from Senior DHS Stata Specialist, Tom Pullum:

Yes, that's the sequence that I would follow.

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