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Subject: DHS data in Pakistan in 2006-07

Posted by [guanghuachi@gmail.com](mailto:guanghuachi@gmail.com) on Tue, 05 Sep 2017 22:20:02 GMT

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For the household recode 'pkhr52fl.zip', the DAT data doesn't contain the wealth index (Based on the .dcf data, the wealth index is from 224 to 231.). Each line only contains fewer than 300 characters, much less than thousands of characters in other countries. Can you check whether this dataset is not complete?

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Subject: Re: DHS data in Pakistan in 2006-07

Posted by [Liz-DHS](#) on Fri, 15 Sep 2017 18:26:04 GMT

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Dear User,

The Pakistan DHS 2006-07 data set has two wealth index variables:

HV270 {HH wealth index}

HV271 {wealth index factor score(5 decimals)}

From our Standard Recode Manual, P18 [http://](http://www.dhsprogram.com/publications/publication-DHSG4-DHS-Questionnaires-and-Manuals.cfm)

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Quote:

HV270 The wealth index is a composite measure of a household's cumulative living standard.

The wealth index is calculated using easy-to-collect data on a household's ownership of selected assets, such as televisions and bicycles; materials used for housing construction; and types of water access and sanitation facilities.

Generated with a statistical procedure known as principal components analysis, the wealth index places individual households on a continuous scale of relative wealth. DHS separates all interviewed households into five wealth quintiles to compare the influence of wealth on various population, health and nutrition indicators. The wealth index is presented in the DHS Final Reports and survey datasets as a background characteristic

HV271 Wealth index factor score (5 decimals)

If you still have additional questions, please feel free to post again.

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