Subject: Birth interval Posted by Mark on Sat, 31 Mar 2018 00:41:21 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

Hello,

Using ETIR70SV.zip data set, I want to categorize preceding birth interval in to Short and Not short birth interval. On the dataset, there is a list of variables of preceding birth interval(months) from b11_01 to b11_20 and only b11_01 to b11_13 have observation. It was recorded in months (i.e. unit of measurement). My questions are:

1. What does b11_01, b11_02, b11_03,.....b11_20 each represents for?

2. How can I categorize in to short and not short birth interval to know to overall magnitude of the country?

I was actually reading the Guide to DHS statistics which is very helpful but am not very clear with the above points. I am very thankful if you share me your do file and look forward to your suggestion and guidance. Thank you in advance!

Subject: Re: Birth interval Posted by Reduced-For(u)m on Fri, 06 Apr 2018 23:00:25 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

In the file you are using b1_1 represents info on the first child, b1_2 on the second, etc... so the _X relates to which child it is and the b1 relates to the actual variable.

You can categorize however you want... but it might be easier using a different recode where each row represents just one child's birth (KR or PR files).

Subject: Re: Birth interval Posted by Mark on Fri, 13 Apr 2018 23:57:30 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

Thank you very much!

Subject: Re: Birth interval Posted by abpromiti on Mon, 18 Jun 2018 20:31:08 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

Hello,

please explain what do you mean by each "row represents just one child's birth (KR or PR files)".Does it represent only the information on last child?

Dear User, The following video https://dhsprogram.com/data/File-Types-and-Names.cfm will give you an explanation of the distribution files. Thank you!

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