Subject: Birth interval
Posted by Mark on Sat, 31 Mar 2018 00:41:21 GMT
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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
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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
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Thank you very much!

Subject: Re: Birth interval
Posted by abpromiti on Mon, 18 Jun 2018 20:31:08 GMT
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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?

Subject: Re: Birth interval
Posted by Liz-DHS on Mon, 18 Jun 2018 20:52:53 GMT

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!