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Subject: 2014 Malawi MIS Survey  
Posted by [gotham](#) on Sat, 22 Sep 2018 22:40:51 GMT  
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I'm doing a project for a class; I've chosen to look at malaria in Malawi in 2014, and so I'm using the MIS survey data.

I've looked through the code book/manual for the survey and have decided to look at the Rapid Malaria Test as my outcome/dependent variable and see how it is affected by the number of people in the household as well as the education level of the parents.

Does this sound like a do-able idea?

Secondly, I'm really lost in how to even get the data. I've downloaded the files for each type (household, individual, child, etc.) and I'm planning to use SAS to do my analysis.

I've downloaded both the SAS and the FLAT file types; I've also looked at the DHS website's description of each type to see what they mean (.dat, .fqw, etc.). But I can't for the life of me figure out how/where I'm supposed to get a hold of the actual data. I've tried importing all of the files (one by one) into SAS and got nowhere. I've tried opening them all up in my Text editor. Nothing.

I've tried importing the SAS7BDAT files, too, and have gotten next to nothing. I've even gotten a couple errors. Upon trying this tactic, I've gotten the following results, as mentioned in the images I've attached.

What am I doing wrong? It doesn't seem like it should be this difficult.

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#### File Attachments

- 1) [3.jpg](#), downloaded 771 times
  - 2) [1.jpg](#), downloaded 800 times
  - 3) [2.jpg](#), downloaded 779 times
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Subject: Re: 2014 Malawi MIS Survey  
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I solved my own problem (thank for nothing ;]).  
For anyone else who has the same issue I did....  
Here is what I did:

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*Create new library caleld malawi;  
libname malawi '/folders/myfolders/MProject/MWKR71SD';  
run;
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data malawi.malpro;
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set malawi.MWKR71FL;  
run;  
proc print data=malawi.malpro;  
run;
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I created a new library to the exact folder I downloaded from the DHS website. Then I created a new dataset from the file(s) found in that library's folder. After that, I \*plan\* on selecting on the variables I want to look at, then printing the data.

Otherwise, there are like 850+ variables and 2000+ observations and printing takes forever.

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