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Subject: HIV - Positive Respondents

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Hello:

I am using the Ghana 2014 dataset to examine risk and protective behaviors among those living with HIV (PLWHA). I downloaded the individual and HIV datasets and merged the two.

Now I would like to focus on those who are HIV+ and (are aware of their status), given that risk behaviors could vary depending on whether people know they are positive or negative

-- Variable V828 indicates that a sizable number of respondents have had HIV test in the past received the results (and by implication are aware of their status - positive or negative).

-- From the HIV biomarker dataset, I call pull out those who are HIV-positive from HIV03.

Will the combination of V828 (HIV status) + HIV03 (positive status) [those who are aware of their status and have tested positive] give me the number who are aware of their HIV+ status?

If not, is there any other of getting a sense of those who are HIV+ and know their status?

Thanks , Yawo

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