
Subject: Mapping Variables in Questionnaire to DHS V Dataset

Posted by [saveeg93](#) on Wed, 01 May 2019 18:01:31 GMT

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Hi,

I am trying to map the variables in the DHS individual recode dataset to the women's questionnaire (NFHS 2005-06/DHS V for India). The recode manual which reflects the dataset variables (attached) and questionnaire (attached) have a different numbering system. Is there a codebook which provides a precise mapping? Some of the descriptions in the recode manual are not thorough enough to identify how they are developed from the questionnaire.

Specifically, I am wondering if someone can confirm the following:

- 1) v714, currently working, indicates if the respondent says yes to either 806, 807, or 808
- 2) v731, have worked in the past year, indicates if the respondent says yes to either 806, 807, 808, or 809
- 3) v741 comes directly from 816
- 4) v721 comes directly from 814

Thank you!

File Attachments

- 1) [DHS Recode Manual - DHS 5.pdf](#), downloaded 971 times
- 2) [IND_DHS_2005_Questionnaire_Woman.pdf](#), downloaded 792 times

Subject: Re: Mapping Variables in Questionnaire to DHS V Dataset

Posted by [Bridgette-DHS](#) on Thu, 09 May 2019 11:56:18 GMT

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Following is a response from Senior Data Processing Specialist, Mianmian Yu:

Thank you for the questions.

(1) V714 was constructed using the following logic in CSPro

```
if Q806 = 1 | Q807 = 1 then
    V714 = 1
else
    V714 = YesNo( Q808 );
endif;
```

As you interpreted correctly, it is "yes" when Q806, Q807 or Q808 is "yes".

(2) V714 was constructed using the following logic in CSPro

```
if Q808 = 1 then
  V731 = 3      { have a job but didn't work last 7 days }
elseif V714 = 1 then
  V731 = 2      { currently working }
else
  V731 = YesNo( Q809 ); { whether worked last 12 months }
endif;
```

This logic is different from what you guessed earlier.

(3) You are correct that V741 is from Q816 and V721 comes directly from Q814

There is no codebook that maps a question to a variable. If you have questions about additional variables, we will be happy to check them out for you.

Subject: Re: Mapping Variables in Questionnaire to DHS V Dataset
Posted by [boyle014](#) on Mon, 24 Jun 2019 16:16:07 GMT
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You can find the specific survey text related to each variable at IPUMS DHS.

First, select that sample(s) that interest you.

Then do a search of the variable name, such as v741. You'll see the IPUMS DHS harmonized variable (it's called wkearnrtype). Click on the variable name, and you'll see a row of tabs.

SURVEY TEXT will show you precisely that. If you click on the Survey Form line on this page, you can jump into the complete survey right where the question was asked.

UNIVERSE will describe the individuals who were asked the question, which of course takes into account the survey skip pattern. For example, for v741/wkearnrtype, IPUMS DHS says the question was asked of: Women age 15-49 who are currently working or have worked in the last 12 months.
