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Subject: Missing values for v447a 2014 Ghana DHS  
Posted by [Vaskset](#) on Tue, 24 Dec 2019 16:12:13 GMT  
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Hello,  
The variable, v447a, women's age in years (from household questionnaire) in the KR file of the 2014 Ghana Demographic and Health Survey has 2,852 observations having missing values. I will like to know if it is correct or it is an error.  
Thank you.

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Subject: Re: Missing values for v447a 2014 Ghana DHS  
Posted by [Liz-DHS](#) on Tue, 24 Dec 2019 16:16:43 GMT  
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Dear User, I can tell by the name of the variable V447a that this is a variable for the woman's file. Household recode variables usually begin with SH. Thank you!

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Subject: Re: Missing values for v447a 2014 Ghana DHS  
Posted by [Vaskset](#) on Wed, 25 Dec 2019 15:23:10 GMT  
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Thank you for the response, however, v447a is also a variable in the KR file and has 2,852 missing values.  
Thanks.

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Subject: Re: Missing values for v447a 2014 Ghana DHS  
Posted by [Liz-DHS](#) on Tue, 31 Dec 2019 18:52:18 GMT  
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Dear User, a response from senior data processing specialist Bert Themme,  
Quote:  
V477a is based on HA1 (Woman's age in years) in the household recode. HA1 is based on the women in the weight, height, hemoglobin measurement and HIV testing for women 15-49 section. This section is only asked for women in households selected for the man's survey (50% of the households). Thus women not living in households selected for the man's survey were assigned missing to V477a.

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Subject: Re: Missing values for v447a 2014 Ghana DHS

Posted by [Vaskset](#) on Fri, 03 Jan 2020 10:09:29 GMT

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Hello,  
Thanks very much for the information.

I see in the KR file, the variable v012, which is "respondent's current age".  
My question is, are the respondents the mothers of the children in the KR file?  
Thanks.

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Subject: Re: Missing values for v447a 2014 Ghana DHS

Posted by [Vaskset](#) on Sat, 18 Jan 2020 23:43:25 GMT

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Thanks for the help.

I need further clarification of missing data for some other variables for 2008 and 2014 Ghana DHS KR files. Are the following genuinely missing or they are errors?

b11 has 684 missing data for 2008 and 1356 missing for 2014.

s1015d has missing in 2008 and s1050 missing for 2014.

v505 has 280 missing in 2008 and 832 missing in 2014.

Thank you.

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Subject: Re: Missing values for v447a 2014 Ghana DHS

Posted by [Liz-DHS](#) on Thu, 27 Feb 2020 22:13:41 GMT

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Dear User, looking at weighted frequencies for Ghana DHS 2008 and looking at B11, there are no missings in the frequencies. Can you please be more specific on what you are trying to accomplish? Are there certain tables you are looking at in the final reports? If you do find missings, it means "This question should have been answered by the respondent, but the questionnaire contained no information for this variable (missing data). This code is mainly used in paper based surveys." The codes are something like 9999, 999, 99, or 9 depending on how many digits in the field needed to enter a response. There are definitions for this in The Standard Recode Manual.

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Subject: Re: Missing values for v447a 2014 Ghana DHS

Posted by [Vaskset](#) on Tue, 05 May 2020 12:20:05 GMT

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Dear Liz,

Thank you for the information.

I am not look at the GDHS reports for the missing data.

I am working with the KR data set for 2008 and 2014 and both contain missing value for b11

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(preceding birth interval).

Also, s1015d has missing in 2008 and s1050 missing for 2014. and v505 has 280 missing in 2008 and 832 missing in 2014.

I just want to be sure they are genuinely missing.

In addition, 'number of times took sp/fansidar/malafan during this pregnancy' has values as high as 24 in the KR for 2008 and 2014.

Does that mean the pregnant woman took 24 doses? of the it.

Thanks.

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