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Subject: What are these missing values of skilled ANC providers indicating?

Posted by [anikhpg42@gmail.com](mailto:anikhpg42@gmail.com) on Sun, 19 Apr 2020 08:07:21 GMT

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Hi,

I want to find out the ANC coverage of Bangladesh, using BDHS 2014.

First I have applied the stata command "" keep if v208 !=0 & v208 !=. ""; so, women with no birth since last 5 years disappeared. The final women were 6855.

Then I saw the tabulated number of ANC of Qualified doctor (m2a\_1), there, ANC was covered by doctors in 57.9% cases with total 4627 women. [Which correctly matched with the BDHS'14 final report]

So, there were more than 2200 missing values.

Now, can anyone tell me what these missing values (2200 values) indicating? I mean, why there are such a huge values got missing?

Thank you

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Subject: Re: What are these missing values of skilled ANC providers indicating?

Posted by [Mlue](#) on Sun, 19 Apr 2020 20:34:13 GMT

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Hello,

I used the births recode file to get this {[https://userforum.dhsprogram.com/index.php?t=msg&th=7237&got\\_o=15555&#msg\\_15555](https://userforum.dhsprogram.com/index.php?t=msg&th=7237&got_o=15555&#msg_15555)}.

Maybe it will help you with your analysis.

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Subject: Re: What are these missing values of skilled ANC providers indicating?

Posted by [anikhpg42@gmail.com](mailto:anikhpg42@gmail.com) on Mon, 20 Apr 2020 07:54:14 GMT

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Hi,

Thanks for your suggestions. I have already applied my own commands and matched with BDHS'14 final report for ANC skilled and unskilled providers.

But, when I dropped women of no ANC visit and no child, then if you see the m2a\_1 variable with missing, then you will see 2361 missing values. (I have attached the image of my findings, without svy command)

In your commands, you kept these missing values as else, i.e. recode m2a\_1 (1=1 "doctor") (0=0 "not doctor") (else=.), gen(doctor)

... There is the (else==.).

But, my question was, why are there missing values? what are they indicating?

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## File Attachments

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1) [Untitled.png](#), downloaded 527 times

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