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Subject: Missing values in v527 to v529 in NFHS-4  
Posted by [dnameispaone](#) on Fri, 29 May 2020 19:33:35 GMT  
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Hi There,

I observed there are a lot of missing values for variable v527 ( missing= 607,987/699,686) in the NFHS-4 data. Can someone explain why is the data missing at such a large extent?

Further, can someone explain what does the missing value represent (refused to answer???)

Many Thanks  
Pavan

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Subject: Re: Missing values in v527 to v529 in NFHS-4  
Posted by [Liz-DHS](#) on Fri, 29 May 2020 21:39:29 GMT  
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Dear User, an explanation about missing values is in The Standard Recode Manual  
Quote:

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.

V527 Time since the last sexual relations as reported by the respondent. The first digit gives the units in which the respondent gave her answer: 1 - Days ago, 2 - Weeks ago, 3 - Months ago, 4 - Years ago, with 9 meaning a special answer was given. The last two digits give the time in the units given. Any value for time greater than 90 is a special answer.

Are you looking at a specific table in the final report? You need to make sure you are also looking at the right data set.

For India there are:

Births Recode data

Couples'Recode data

Hoursehold Recode data

Individual Recode data

Children's Recode data

Men's Recode data

Household Member Recode data

Geographic data

HIV datasets

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