

Understanding Society User Support - Support #147

What is the difference between a `a_racel` and a `a_ethnic` variables? The classification is the same but you get different numbers for ethnic groups???

05/10/2013 01:07 PM - Sabrina Khan

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Assignee:	Redmine Admin		
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Description			
Hey!			
I am working on Wave-1 and looking into ethnicity. The issue is that whenever for example, I tabulate total %of Pakistani I am given two different quantities by two different variables, through <code>a_racel</code> , I am getting 1435, while by <code>a_ethnic3</code> I am getting 1715. This is very confusing as both the variables have same categories, I don't know which one to choose???. Plus, I looked around at your website and found that the <code>a_ethnic3</code> is a part of ethnic boost sample. If its true what does it means? And which figures of ethnicity shall I follow? I want to work with all the ethnic groups, including White population, have to link them with BHPS and other surveys.			
Many thanks,			

History

#1 - 05/10/2013 03:30 PM - Redmine Admin

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The Census 2011 ethnic group question is asked during the personal adult (16+ year olds) interviews, `w_racel`, but at Wave 1 we also carried a screening question, `a_ethnic*`, as part of the household grid module. This was part of the selection process for the Ethnic Minority Boost sample and was recorded about enumerated household members aged 10 years and above in England, Wales and Scotland. I hope this give you a better idea of how we collected the data.

The study also collects data on many other dimensions of ethnicity and identity. For further information about the Ethnic Minority Boost sample and Ethnicity Strand overall, please see; <https://www.understandingsociety.ac.uk/about/ethnicity>

#2 - 05/17/2013 12:36 PM - Sabrina Khan

Many thanks, the information provided was very useful :-)

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