Understanding Society User Support - Support #1719

Several inconsistencies for birthy and also mastat

06/26/2022 05:12 PM - Lydia Palumbo

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Description

Dear UKHLS Support,

I am currently noticing that there are several differences between the variable birthy in the indall file and xwavedat. Could you please tell me which variable is the most reliable?

I also noticed a few inconsistencies for the de facto marital status (mastat) between the files indresp ans indall between the waves ten and thirteen of the BHPS. Which is the variable I should rely on?

Thank you and best regards,
Lydia

History

#1 - 06/29/2022 12:32 PM - Understanding Society User Support Team

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Hi Lydia,

1) I'd recommend using doby_dv from xwavedat. It is a derived variable and our Data Team has tried to make it as complete and consistent as possible combining information from all available sources.
2) the information in indall comes from the household grid which is completed by one household member providing the list of people in that household and their basic characteristic, including marital status, the information in indresp is provided by respondents themselves, so the latter could be considered more reliable (though we leave the decision about which to use to researchers).

I hope this helps.

Best wishes,
Understanding Society User Support Team

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