Understanding Society User Support - Support #2175

Inconsistent results across data files

11/06/2024 04:25 PM - Sen Li

Status: Feedback Start date: 11/06/2024

Priority: High % Done: 50%

Assignee: Understanding Society User Support Team

Category: Data documentation

Description

Dear Understanding Society Support Team,

I hope this message finds you well.

I am currently using the Family Network Module in $w_indresp$ but have noticed some inconsistencies when comparing results with w_egoalt . For example, for the respondent with pidp 1162045368 in hidp 1162045208, the data indicate he resides with his biological parents in Wave 5 (according to egoalt.dta). However, he also reports having alive biological parents who do not reside in the same household (i.e., |vre|1 & |vre|2 = 1 and |vre|9 & |vre|10=0 in indresp.dta).

Given these contradictory results, could you please suggest how best to define his distance to his parents—whether to consider him as co-residing with them based on *egoalt* or as not co-residing based on *indresp*?

Thank you for your time and attention. I look forward to your guidance.

Kind regards,

Sen

History

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- Category set to Data documentation
- Status changed from New to Feedback
- % Done changed from 0 to 50
- Private changed from Yes to No

Hello Sen,

This case is unique because pidp=1162045368 is a full-time student. This means the student is considered part of the household even if he/she doesn't reside there.

To find more information on how these cases are handled, please refer to the following FAQs: How are students living away treated? https://www.understandingsociety.ac.uk/help/faqs/how-are-students-living-away-treated/ and Are institutional populations (e.g. students in university halls, individuals in care homes, people in prison) included in the Study?

https://www.understandingsociety.ac.uk/help/faqs/are-institutional-populations-e-g-students-in-university-halls-individuals-in-care-homes-people-in-prison-included-in-the-study/

You can also find information on the "Interview process" here

https://www.understandingsociety.ac.uk/documentation/mainstage/user-guides/main-survey-user-guide/interview-process/

I hope this information is helpful.

Best wishes, Roberto Cavazos Understanding Society User Support Team

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