# Understanding Society User Support - Support #2205

# **Education variable**

02/07/2025 04:36 PM - Máiréad Murphy

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## Description

I was wondering if you have any guidance on condensing the education variable (nqfhigh-dv) as I have researched the different categories and cannot find an explanation for some of them and am just wondering how to go about grouping similar education levels together. I am hoping to use it as a covariate variable but at the moment there are too many levels so I want to condense them. Thanks very much for your help!

### History

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- Status changed from New to Feedback
- Assignee changed from Máiréad Murphy to Understanding Society User Support Team
- % Done changed from 0 to 50
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Hello Máiréad,

Please review variable hiqual\_dv, which measures the highest qualification ever reported. You can find it in the variable seach section at <a href="https://www.understandingsociety.ac.uk/documentation/mainstage/variables/hiqual\_dv/">https://www.understandingsociety.ac.uk/documentation/mainstage/variables/hiqual\_dv/</a>

There, you will find a lookup table showing the corresponding matches between various highest qualification variables, consolidating different classifications.

I hope this information is helpful.

Best wishes, Roberto Cavazos Understanding Society User Support Team