

## Understanding Society User Support - Support #2342

### weighting wave 15

03/19/2026 11:47 AM - Megan Saunders

<b>Status:</b>	Feedback	<b>Start date:</b>	03/19/2026
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<b>Category:</b>	Weights		
<b>Description</b>			
I am unclear on what weighting I should apply: I want to look at sandwich carers and GHQ12 in wave 14 and 15 so according to the protocol this should be o_indscg2_lw as GHQ12 is self complete, but this doesnt exist? so should I use o_inding2_lw or o_indscui_lw? or have I totally muisunderstood? this is Masters level research so I dont want to get into anything too complicated.			

### History

#### #1 - 03/19/2026 12:11 PM - Understanding Society User Support Team

- Status changed from New to Feedback

- % Done changed from 0 to 50

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Hello,

You are right. We have provided the explanation in our user guide section on weights: "Note: for cross-sectional analysis from Wave 15 onwards and for a longitudinal analysis starting at Wave 14 or later there is no longer a distinction between self-completion, proxy and main adult interviews. For all such analysis consider main adult interview level."

<https://www.understandingsociety.ac.uk/documentation/mainstage/user-guides/main-survey-user-guide/selecting-the-correct-weight-for-your-analysis/>

Best wishes,

Understanding Society User Support Team

#### #2 - 03/19/2026 02:32 PM - Olena Kaminska

Megan,

Thank you for your question. You should use o\_inding2\_lw. This is equivalent to the old o\_indscg2\_lw.

Hope this helps,

Olena

#### #3 - 03/20/2026 01:15 PM - Understanding Society User Support Team

- % Done changed from 50 to 80