# **Understanding Society User Support - Support #533**

## Using the ego\_alt datafile

03/18/2016 06:51 PM - zoe young

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Assignee:	zoe young		
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## **Description**

I am trying to examine people who have experienced care. I have attached an excel sheet containing the frequencies for the a\_relationship\_dv variable. I am going to be using the adopted/relationship and foster relationship to identify the youth contain within the youth file (10-15) who are in these categories as in care. I was wondering if I should be using the a\_relationship or the a\_relationship\_dv as there seemed to be an issue with this variable. Can you also confirm that using this variable would be done so in the correct manner (example its not deserved from another section of the questionnaire such as the La\_adopt variable is derived from the fertility section? and therefore I was told in the past that it could not be used in the above mentioned manner.

Thanks Zoe

#### History

#### #1 - 03/23/2016 12:06 PM - Victoria Nolan

- Category set to Data analysis
- Status changed from New to Feedback
- Assignee changed from Alita Nandi to zoe young
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Dear Zoe,

Many thanks for your enquiry.

You should use the relationship\_dv variable – this corrects a couple of inconsistencies in the relationship variable. You can use the variable to identify young people who are living with a foster or adopted parent. However we do not cover young people or children in care who are in institutions, so you can't say anything about that part of the population. Does that answer your question? Looking at the sample size there aren't that many children like this in each wave, so your estimates would not be very precise.

Best wishes, Victoria

On behalf of the Understanding Society Data User Support Team

### #2 - 04/19/2016 09:24 AM - Victoria Nolan

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## **Files**

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