

Understanding Society User Support - Support #653

R users, scaling UKHLS for use with BHPS

11/02/2016 01:11 PM - Glenna Nightingale

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Description			
Hello, 1. I am an R user and wondered whether there are any online courses/discussion groups (Understanding Society) for R users who use either UKHLS or BHPS data. 2. Also I am conducting analyses with the BHPS and UKHLS datasets combined. Does anyone know how to scale the UKHLS so that it can be combined with the BHPS? 3. Finally, I have been looking at the longitudinal weights for the BHPS (obtained from wave 18). Is there a reason why there are cases where one given individual possesses both a respondent longitudinal weight and an enumerated longitudinal weight? thanks very much!!			

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Dear Glenna,

Many thanks for your enquiry.

Q1. We are not aware of any such user groups. In the future we will develop training material in R but that is not available now. The online Moodle course on "Using Understanding Society Using Stata" while geared towards Stata users, it includes some initial modules about the survey and its online documentation. You may find those sections useful. <https://www.understandingsociety.ac.uk/documentation/training/online>

Q2. Please refer to the Weighting sections in Understanding Society user guides. <https://www.understandingsociety.ac.uk/documentation/mainstage>

Q3. Every person in a responding household is enumerated so they have an enumerated weight. Not everyone who is enumerated also answers the adult questionnaire. If they do then they are assigned a respondent weight. Note longitudinal weights are only available for those who respond continuously. Please refer to the Weighting section in the BHPS User Guide <https://www.iser.essex.ac.uk/bhps/documentation>

We hope this helps, best wishes, Victoria

On behalf of the Understanding Society Data User Support Team

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