

## Understanding Society User Support - Support #706

### Religious sample across all waves

01/25/2017 05:15 PM - Andrew Barclay

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<b>Assignee:</b>	Andrew Barclay		
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<b>Description</b>			
Hi			
I am looking to see the politics module questions broken down by religion (x_oprlg1) across all 6 waves. However, given that this information is only asked of respondents when they first take the survey, I'm wondering how to access this information once I want to look at the data for the subsequent waves.			
Apologies if the answer to this is glaringly obvious!			
Many thanks			

#### History

##### #1 - 01/30/2017 06:00 PM - Alita Nandi

- Status changed from New to In Progress
- Assignee set to Andrew Barclay
- % Done changed from 0 to 90
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Hi Andrew,

You will first have to pick up this variable from every wave, merge those files together and then create a new variable which picks up OPRLG1 from the different waves where it has been answered. We may provide this combined variable as a derived variable in the future. Here is an example of the Stata code to do this exercise for two waves (you can extend it to 6 waves):

```
use pidp a_oprlg1 using a_indresp, clear
merge 1:1 pidp using b_indresp, keepusing(b_oprlg1)
generat religion=a_oprlg1 if a_oprlg1>=2 & a_oprlg1<=97
replace religion=b_oprlg1 if b_oprlg1>=2 & b_oprlg1<=97 & religion==.
```

Please note that in Wave 6, the values of OPRLG1 for the IEMB sample are incorrect. These should be recoded by adding 1 (so the codes 1-15 will be converted to 2-16). The Stata code for that is as follows:

```
replace f_oprlg1=f_oprlg1+1 if f_oprlg1>=1 & f_oprlg1<=15 & f_hhorig==8
```

A revised version of the data file will be released soon.

If you require further information or clarification please let us know.

Best wishes,  
Alita

##### #2 - 02/08/2017 09:43 AM - Victoria Nolan

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- % Done changed from 90 to 100