# **Understanding Society User Support - Support #797**

## Youth Database - All waves

06/15/2017 10:47 AM - Lena Hassani Nezhad

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Assignee:	Lena Hassani Nezhad		
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### **Description**

I am currently working with understanding society youth database. I have a question about question 29: Q29: Would you like to go on to do further full-time education at a college or University after you finish school?

There are many missing values in this variable. I noticed that some of these missing values are due to the skip pattern of question 28 (if the youth answers "Work full-time" in question 28, he can skip question 29).

I was wondering if there is any other skip pattern that might be causing these missing values in question 29?

#### History

#### #1 - 06/15/2017 04:39 PM - Gundi Knies

- Category set to Data documentation
- Status changed from New to In Progress
- Assignee set to Lena Hassani Nezhad
- Priority changed from High to Normal
- Target version set to X M
- % Done changed from 0 to 90

### Hi Lena,

there are no particular skip patterns other than the ones indicated in the youth questionnaire (which you have correctly identified). The youth questionnaire is administered as a paper-and-pencil self-completion survey and - as is the case with all questions in Understanding Society - respondents are free to not answer any question. Unlike in the computer assisted interview with adults, we do not apply detailed missing value codes on the youth self-completion data returned from the fieldwork. The -9 may be for any number of reasons - children did not want to answer, they did not know an answer, they overlooked the question, they decided to answer later and then forgot...

All you can do is examine the pattern and speculate whether and how it may affect your results. You could see whether there is, for example, an age pattern in responding to this question as the question may not have been salient to younger children.

Hope this helps, Gundi

## #2 - 07/03/2017 09:47 AM - Victoria Nolan

- Status changed from In Progress to Closed
- % Done changed from 90 to 100
- Private changed from Yes to No

#### **Files**

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