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Update ALWA SUF V4

Since July 2012 the FDZ provides an updated version of ALWA-data (ALWA SUF V4) and ALWA-documentation.

Modification of the Data

In this version we corrected few variables:

- In all previous versions of ALWA1_QS we had not marked cases with vls=1 if the life
 course of the case was reported up to a certain point in time but not until the time of
 interview. In the new version, we marked the cases with vls=1 if the life course was
 reported incompletely until the time of interview. Therefore, we now account 41 life
 courses as not reported completely.
- In the old version of ALWA7_ET for all freelancers we noted a missing in variable etbs. We corrected this by now reporting a 9 "Freelance worker" in etbs as documented in the codebook.
- In the old version of ALWA9_FP value labels of fpt had been wrong. We corrected this
 into 1 "civil partnership annulled/divorced", 2 "separated", 3 " partner died", -8 "Don't
 know", -7 "Refused".
- All variables containing occupational codes supplemented by codes of the current classifications (Classification of the Occupations 2010 (KldB 2010) and ISCO 2008).

Modification of the Documentation

We adjusted some minor faults in the codebook and added the schemata of the Classification of Occupations 2010 (KldB 2010) and ISCO. Consequently we updated the FDZ-Datenreport 02/2010.

English Translation

Additionally, the variable and value labels in the data as well as the documentation are now available in English.

- The FDZ-Datenreport 02/2010 is now available in English as well as the frequency tables for all variables.
- Stata user can get access to the English labels by using the command 'label language en'. SPSS user can get access to the English labels by using the label syntax from the FDZ (http://doku.iab.de/fdz/alwa/syntax_english_labels.zip).

Reference: http://doku.iab.de/fdz/access/alwa/Update V4 en.pdf