



LINKING DATA IN THE CVFS AND BEYOND

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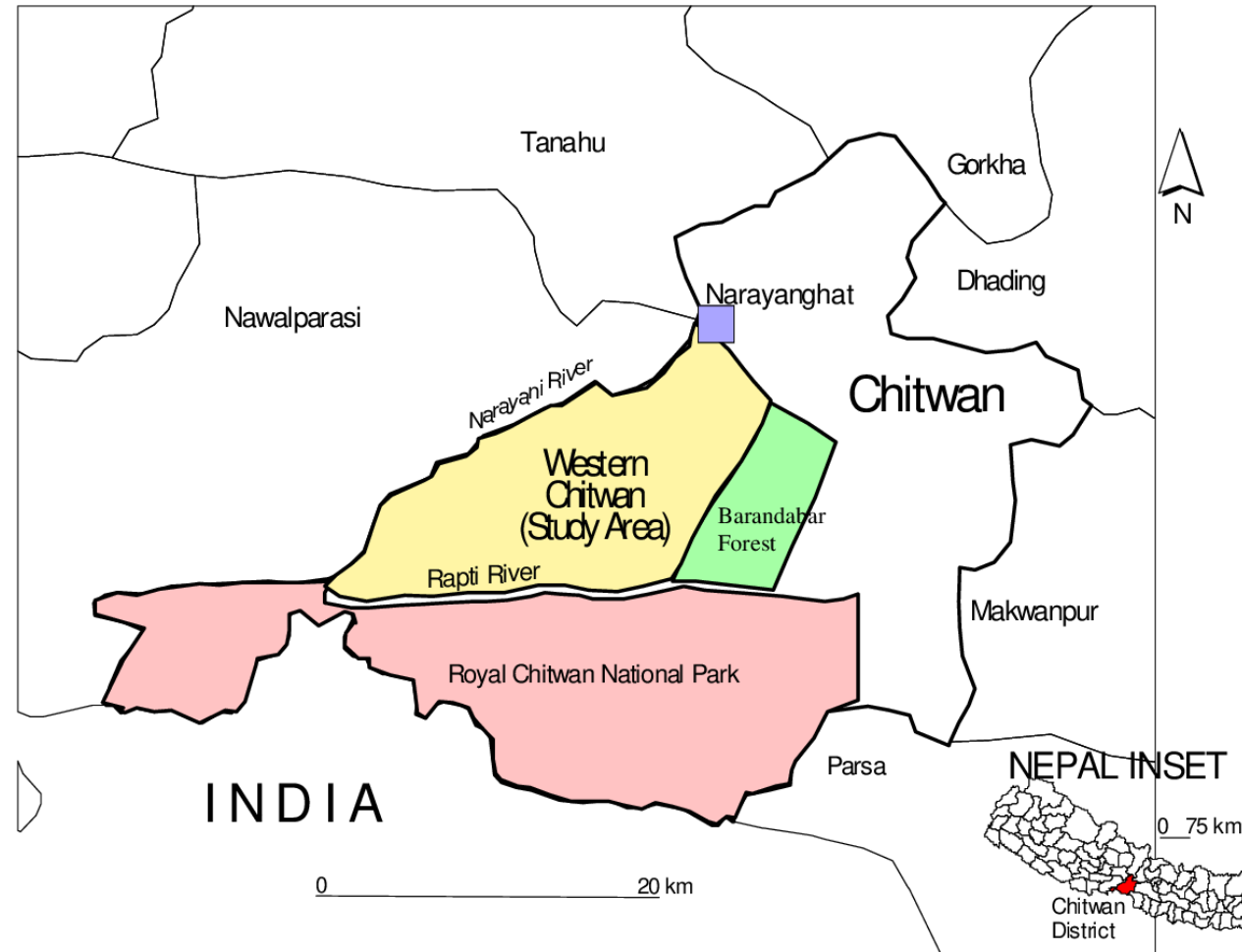
OUTLINE

- Overview of CVFS sampling frame
- CVFS file types & organization
- Merging
 - Similar units across files
 - Different units within the same group
 - Spatial data to CVFS
- Example: Using external rainfall data to study drought & migration in CVFS
- Q&A
- Resources

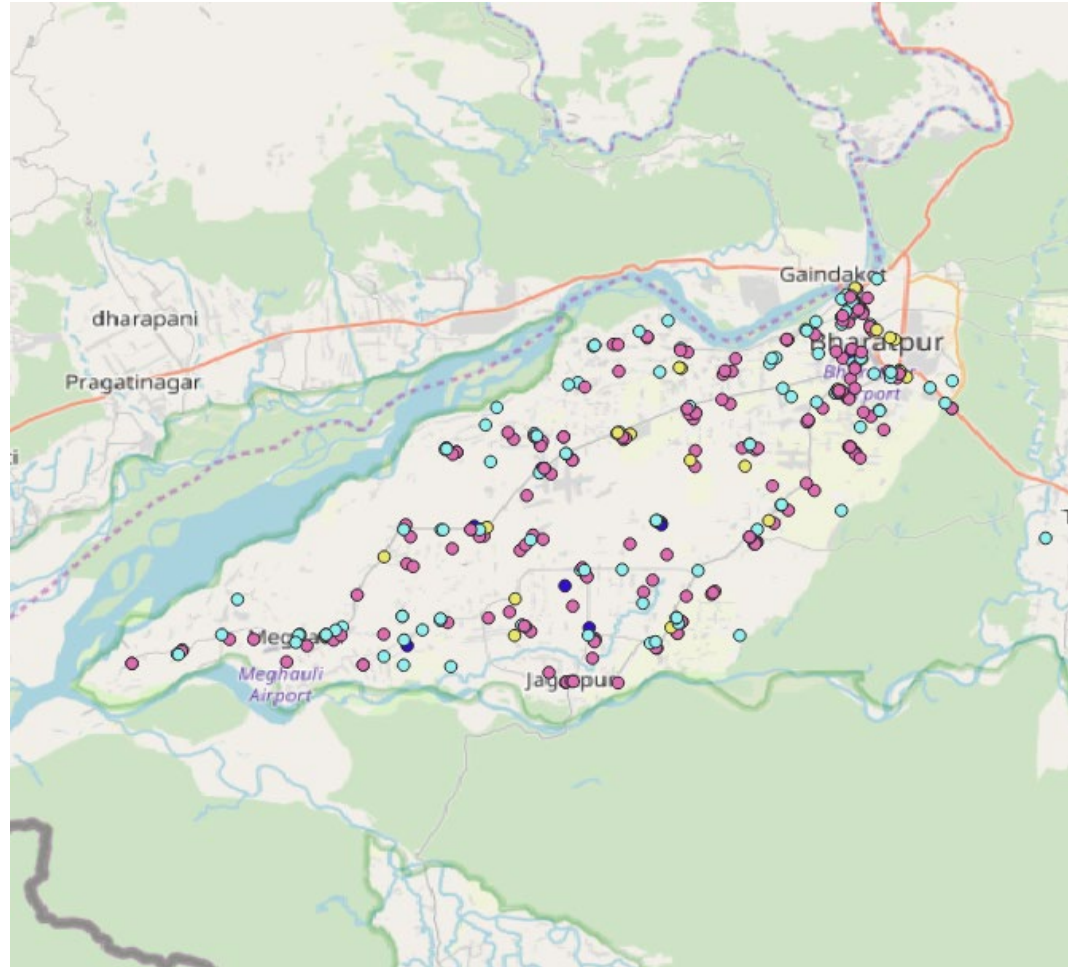
CVFS SAMPLING FRAME



LOCATION OF CVFS STUDY SITE



CVFS STUDY AREA



Map of health facilities in CVFS study area

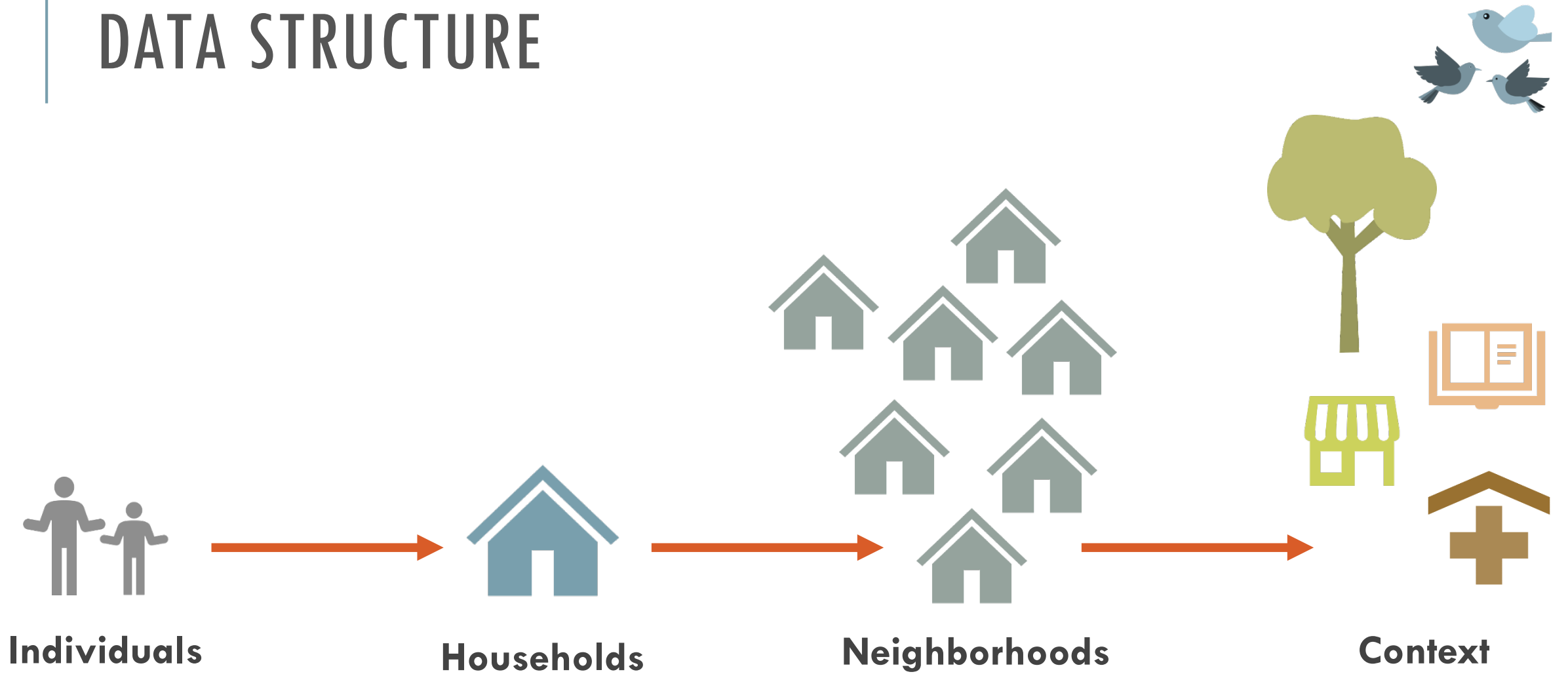
SAMPLED NEIGHBORHOODS

- Neighborhood = geographic cluster of 5-15 households when sample drawn
 - All households in each sampled neighborhood included
- 171 neighborhoods in original 1995-1996 sample
- 151 neighborhoods included in sample from 1997 onwards
- Change in sampled neighborhoods over time
 - Attrition/growth in number of households; may be <5 or >15
 - 2 neighborhoods washed away due to flooding
 - Individuals and households never returned to original neighborhood location
 - Individuals and households from these neighborhoods still included in sample

FEATURES OF CVFS SAMPLE

- Individuals linked to households linked to neighborhoods
- Family members/residents in the same household linked to each other
 - Spouses
 - Parents and children
 - Other household members
- Multiple measures *over time*
- CVFS follows individuals over time *regardless of location*

DATA STRUCTURE



INDIVIDUALS AND HOUSEHOLDS IN CVFS

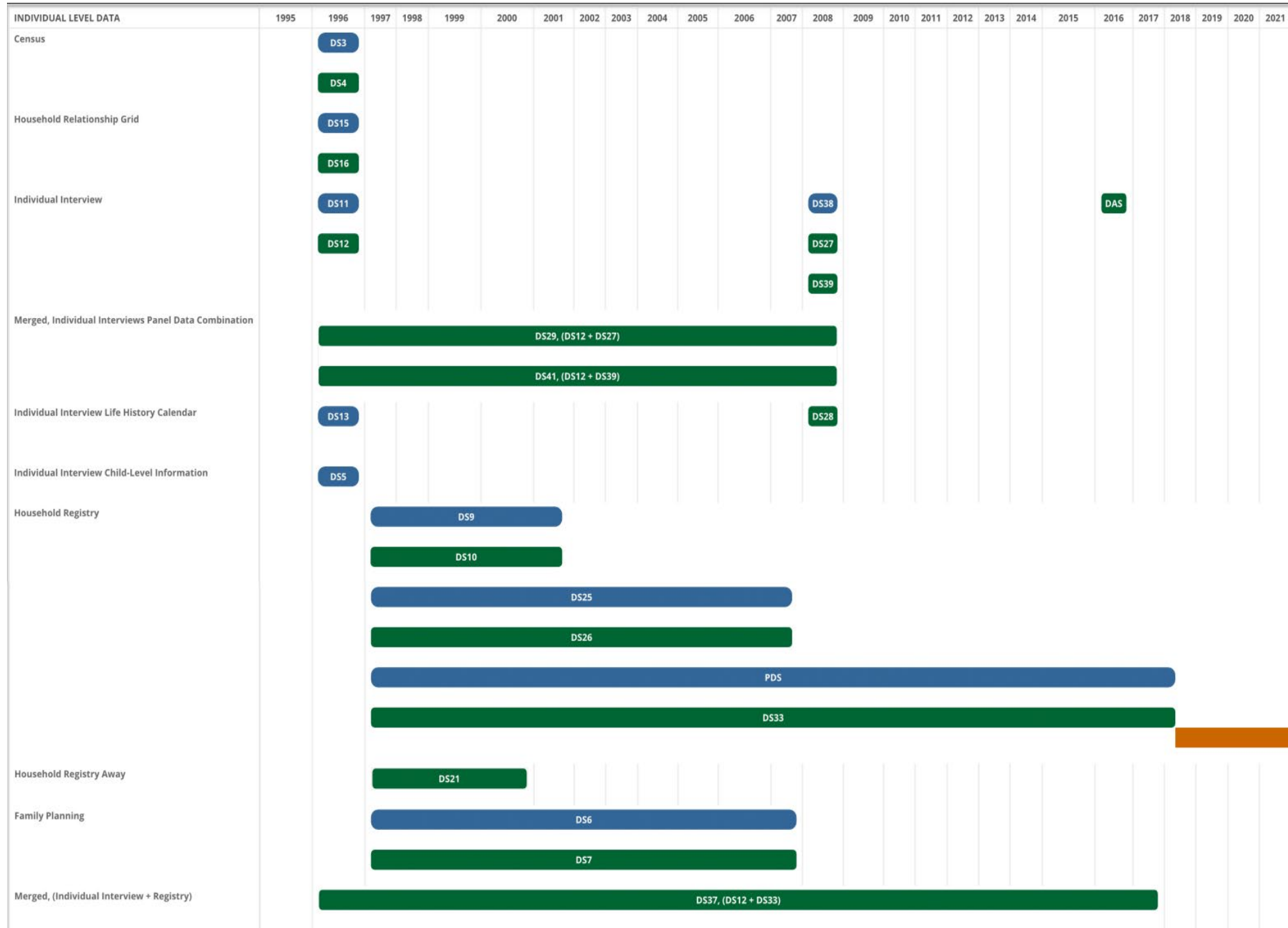
- Extremely low attrition/loss to follow up rates
 - Households that moved out of study area 1996-2007 were no longer tracked from 2008 onwards
- Individuals can enter sample through birth, marriage, or by joining an existing household
- New households enrolled if they move into a sampled neighborhood
- Enrolled individuals can split off into new household (at least 2 members leave to form new household)
- Individuals leave the sample through death or loss to follow up

CVFS FILE TYPES & ORGANIZATION



WHEN DO I NEED TO MERGE FILES?

- Match information from the same individual, household, neighborhood, or service over multiple time points/data files
- Match household or neighborhood characteristics to an individual
- Match characteristics about one individual to another



INDIVIDUAL-LEVEL FILES

- Household registry
- Individual interviews
- Life history calendars
- Other periodic surveys
 - Child health
 - Time use
 - Health & well-being among older adults
- Relationship grid

HOUSEHOLD-LEVEL FILES

- Agriculture, land use, durable goods, and consumption
- Remittance history calendar

AREA-LEVEL FILES

- Neighborhood history calendars (NHC)
- School history calendars (SHC)
- Health service history calendars (HHC)
- Land use
- Flora & fauna biodiversity
- Community forest characteristics and use

MERGING IN CVFS



7 DIGIT : ID STRUCTURES IN CVFS (1996-2007)

Neighborhood

+

Household

+

Individual

3 digits

2 digits

2 digits

001-171

9 DIGIT ID STRUCTURES IN CVFS (2008 -)

Neighborhood

+

Household

+

Individual

3 digits

3 digits

3 digits

001-171

0 + 2 digits from
older ID

0 + 2 digits from
older ID

ICPSR FILES: PUBLIC VS. RESTRICTED USE

- Public-use files released on ICPSR prior to 2016 use consistent IDs
- Public-use files released on ICPSR in 2016 and later have scrambled IDs
 - Cannot match individuals across files
 - No area-level or GIS information
- Restricted-use files use consistent IDs regardless of release date

INDIVIDUALS ACROSS FILES

- Individual to same individual (1:1 merge)
 - Respid (9 digits); 2008 and later
 - Respid or Respid_old (7 digits); up to 2008
- Individual to another individual in same household
 - Spouses
 - Parents & children
 - Siblings
 - Household members

CVFS RELATIONSHIP GRID

- Provides individual IDs by relationship type to every other individual in a household
 - Includes all members listed for a specific household ID in HHR at each time point
 - Did not have to be physically present in household at time of relationship grid to be included
- 4 time points
 - T1 = 1996
 - T2 = 2001
 - T3 = 2008
 - T4 = 2016

CVFS RELATIONSHIP GRID

hhid	subject	Respid	spouse1	spouse2	spouse3	parent1	parent2	child1	child2	child3	child4
212007	1	212007020	212007003					212007011	212007012	212007013	
212007	2	212007003	212007020					212007011	212007012	212007013	
212007	3	212007011				212007003	212007020				
212007	4	212007012				212007003	212007020				
212007	5	212007013				212007003	212007020				
218010	1	218010001	218010012			218010012	218010015	218010003	218010004		
218010	2	218010003				218010012	218010001				
218010	3	218010004				218010012	218010001				
218010	4	218010015	218010016					218010001	218010029	218010019	
218010	5	218010016	218010015					218010001	218010029	218010019	
218010	6	218010007	218010009					218010011	218010013		
218010	7	218010009	218010007			218010016	218010015	218010011	218010013		
218010	8	218010011				218010007	218010009				
218010	9	218010013	218010001					218010003	218010004		

HOUSEHOLDS ACROSS FILES

- Household to same household (1:1 merge)
 - HHID (5 or 6 digits)
- May need to convert old, new HHIDs to merge
 - 5 digit HHID = 3 digit neighborhood + 2 digit household
 - 6 digit HHID = 3 digit neighborhood + 3 digit household
 - To convert from 5 to 6 digit ID, add 0 to 2 digit household ID

NEIGHBORHOODS OR FACILITIES ACROSS FILES

- **Neighborhood to neighborhood**
 - Neighid, nbhid (1:1 merge)
 - nx, ny (UTM X/Y coordinates in restricted-use data)
- **Health facilities**
 - hlthid (1:1 merge)
 - hx, hy (UTM X/Y coordinates in restricted-use data)
- **Schools**
 - schlid (1:1 merge)
 - sx, sy (UTM X/Y coordinates in restricted-use data)

INDIVIDUALS TO HOUSEHOLDS

- Match on household ID variable (m:1 merge)
- Special considerations
 - Household component of individual ID is derived from HHID of household where individual first enrolled in CVFS
 - Household component of individual ID may not match current household
 - Individual IDs are not reassigned: middle 3 digits (household) will not change
 - See Household Registry for household ID of individual in any particular month (*hhidmonth#*, e.g., *hhid180*)

INDIVIDUALS TO NEIGHBORHOODS

- Match on neighborhood ID variable (m:1 merge)
- Special considerations
 - Neighborhood component of individual ID may not match current location
 - Individual IDs are not reassigned: first 3 digits (neighborhood) will not change
 - See Household Registry for location of individual in any particular month (*locmonth#*, e.g., loc180)

HOUSEHOLDS TO NEIGHBORHOODS

- Match on neighborhood ID variable (m:1 merge)
- Special considerations
 - Neighborhood component of household ID may not match individual members' current location
 - See Household Registry for location of individual in any particular month (*locmonth#*, e.g., loc180)

GIS-BASED MERGES

- Neighborhoods and services to non-CVFS data using UTM X/Y coordinates
 - Neighborhoods
 - Health facilities
 - Schools

Q&A



CVFS RESOURCES

CVFS study diagram: <https://cvfs.isr.umich.edu/data/data-documentation/study-diagram/>

CVFS data access: <https://cvfs.isr.umich.edu/data/data-access/data-access-instructions/>

CVFS on ICPSR: <https://www.icpsr.umich.edu/web/DSDR/series/646>

CVFS FAQ: <https://cvfs.isr.umich.edu/faq/>

RESOURCES: CARRYING OUT MERGES

Stata:

<https://www.princeton.edu/~otorres/Merge101.pdf>

https://www.ssc.wisc.edu/sscc/pubs/dws/data_wrangling_stata7.htm

SAS: <https://stats.idre.ucla.edu/sas/modules/match-merging-data-files-in-sas/>

R: https://clayford.github.io/dwir/dwr_05_combine_merge_rehsape_data.html