# Contributing to the documentation and variable constructions on the ELFE Users website

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Thank you for your contribution to the ELFE Users’ documentation!

# Parts in yellow must be filled in.

**Parts in red are only required for variables based on other constructed variables.**

1. ***Documentation***

# A VARIABLE

*Variable created by NAME, DAY MONTH YEAR*

**Variable name**

Variable\_name

**Description**

Description of the variable in one or two sentences.

**Wave**

maternity,2 months, one year

**Variable values**

value1 – label1

value2 – label2

value… – label…

…

**Required input variables**

required\_input1, required\_input2, required\_input3, ...

OR other constructed variables

**Stata-code OR SAS-code**

*Construct required variable*

Code for variable to be constructed

…

…

**Citing**

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***EXAMPLE: Father recognized the child***

**Father recognized the child**

**Variable created by Marieke Heers, 3rd July 2015**

**Variable name**

father\_recogn\_child

**Description**

The variable indicates if the father has recognized the child.

**Wave**

2 months

**Variable values**

0 – No

1 – Yes

**Required input variables**

M02M\_RECON, M00M2\_RECONU, M00M2\_ETATMAT, M02M\_SITUAFAMM, M02M\_ETAMATRI, M02M\_QMARIPACS, M02P\_ETAMATRI\_4, M02P\_LIENTYP\_4

OR constructed variable familyb\_2mois

**Stata-code**

*Construct familyb\_2mois*

g familyb\_2mois = 1 if couple == 1 & inlist(M02M\_ETAMATRI, 1, 6) & M02M\_QMARIPACS == 1

replace familyb\_2mois = 2 if couple == 1 & inlist(M02M\_ETAMATRI, 2) & M02M\_QMARIPACS == 1

replace familyb\_2mois = 3 if couple == 1 & M02M\_QMARIPACS == 2

replace familyb\_2mois = 3 if couple == 1 & inlist(M02M\_ETAMATRI, 3, 4, 5)

replace familyb\_2mois = 4 if couple == 0

replace familyb\_2mois=1 if inlist(M02P\_ETAMATRI\_4, 1) & M02P\_LIENTYP\_4==1 & couple==1 // also condition on couple?

replace familyb\_2mois=2 if inlist(M02P\_ETAMATRI\_4, 2) & M02P\_LIENTYP\_4==1 & couple==1

replace familyb\_2mois=3 if inlist(M02P\_ETAMATRI\_4, 3, 4) & M02P\_LIENTYP\_4==1 & couple==1

label var familyb\_2mois "Mother's matrimonial status (2 months)"

label define familybb 1 "married couple" 2 "pacse couple" 3 "free couple" 4 "lone mother"

label values familyb familybb

*Construct* *father\_recogn\_child*

g father\_recogn\_child=.

replace father\_recogn\_child=1 if M02M\_RECON==1

replace father\_recogn\_child=0 if M02M\_RECON==2

replace father\_recogn\_child=1 if familyb\_2mois==1

replace father\_recogn\_child=1 if M00M2\_RECONU==1 & father\_recogn\_child==.

replace father\_recogn\_child=0 if M00M2\_RECONU==0 & father\_recogn\_child==.

replace father\_recogn\_child=1 if M00M2\_ETATMAT==1 & father\_recogn\_child==.

label var father\_recogn\_child "Father has recognized the child"

label define father\_recogn\_child 0 "No" 1 "Yes"

label values father\_recogn\_child father\_recogn\_child

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