

## Estimation in two-stage sampling of equal clusters with subsampling the nonrespondents

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### ABSTRACT

We consider estimation of the mean and variance in two-stage sampling of equal clusters with large sizes. The subgroups of respondents in the different clusters are assumed to be equal. An extension of the sample mean to the nonresponse group is obtained by combining means of subsamples of nonrespondents in each of the selected clusters. The estimation procedure is illustrated with data from a survey of fishing communities in Cross River State, Nigeria.

### INTRODUCTION

Nonresponse or failure to measure some units is a common problem in social surveys. It causes sample bias or failure of a sample to represent a survey population adequately enough to enable reliable inference to be made from the survey data. Since nonresponse is such a frequently occurring phenomenon of social surveys that cannot be avoided, it is necessary to develop method of obtaining reliable estimates of a population parameter in the presence of nonresponse. This paper is a contribution in this direction.

Hansen and Hurwitz (1946) first developed a mathematical model for estimation of population mean with subsampling nonrespondents as a solution to the nonresponse problem. The paper considers a population that is evenly distributed with respect to the variable of interest and accordingly assumes a simple random sample design. Under the same simple random sample design, Birnbaum and Sirken (1950) as well as Cochran, Mosteller and Tukey (1954) extend the model proposed and discussed by Hansen and Hurwitz (1946) to estimation of proportion. Little (1983) presents a general framework for data with nonresponse. Sarndal and Swensson (1985) introduce the use of unequal probabilities of selection in the first phase and subsampling the nonrespondents after post-stratification. Rao (1986) extends the procedure discussed by Hansen and Hurwitz (1946) to ratio estimation. Udofia (2004) extends the procedure developed by Rao (1986) to small area estimation. Udofia (2005) also extends the procedure developed by Hansen and Hurwitz (1946) to estimation in single-stage sampling and with subsampling the nonrespondents.

In some practical sample survey situations, cluster sizes, though equal, may be so large that an investigator cannot include all the units of each selected cluster in his final sample.

This paper therefore discusses the procedure of estimation in two-stage sampling of large equal clusters where nonrespondents are present.

Under Hansen and Hurwitz (1946) estimation procedure, the population under study is supposed to consist of a response stratum of size  $N_1$  and a nonresponse stratum of size  $N_2 = N - N_1$ . A random sample of size  $n$  is drawn without replacement. During the survey,  $n_1$ , say, units respond and the remaining  $n_2 = n - n_1$  units fail to respond. The  $n_1$  respondents constitute a random subsample from the response stratum and the  $n_2$  nonrespondents constitute a random subsample from the nonresponse stratum. Hansen and Hurwitz (1946) suggest drawing a random subsample of  $m = n_2/k$ ,  $k \geq 1$ , from the  $n_2$  nonrespondents in the sample and assuming that all the  $m$  units respond.

Let  $Y_i$  denote the value of the study variable,  $Y$ , for element

- i. Let  $\bar{y}_1 = \left( \sum_{i=1}^{N_1} Y_i \right) / N_1$ , and  $s_1^2 = \sum_{i=1}^{N_1} (Y_i - \bar{y}_1)^2 / (N_1 - 1)$  respectively

denote the mean and variance for the response stratum. Let

$$\bar{y}_2 = \left( \sum_{j=1}^{N_2} Y_j \right) / N_2, \text{ and } s_2^2 = \sum_{j=1}^{N_2} (Y_j - \bar{y}_2)^2 / (N_2 - 1) \text{ be similarly}$$

defined for the nonresponse stratum. The population mean can be written as

$$\bar{Y} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N Y_i = \frac{1}{N} \left( \sum_{i=1}^{N_1} Y_i + \sum_{j=1}^{N_2} Y_j \right) = W_1 \bar{y}_1 + W_2 \bar{y}_2$$

where  $W_1 = N_1/N$  and  $W_2 = N_2/N$ .

Let  $\bar{y}_1 = \left( \sum_{i=1}^{n_1} y_i \right) / n_1$  denote the mean for the response subsample and

$\bar{y}_2 = \left( \sum_{j=1}^{n_2} y_j \right) / n_2$  denote the mean for the nonresponse subsample. If

the study variable is also measured on all the  $n_2$  units the total sample

mean is calculated as  $\bar{y} = \left( \sum_{i=1}^n y_i \right) / n = w_1 \bar{y}_1 + w_2 \bar{y}_2$  where  $w_1 =$

$n_1/n$  and  $w_2 = n_2/n$ . In the presence of nonresponse, the sample mean is extended to the nonresponse group by calculating the sample mean

$$\text{as } \hat{\bar{y}}_{HH} = w_1 \bar{y}_1 + w_2 \bar{y}_2.$$

This estimator is unbiased for  $\bar{Y}$  with variance

$$v(\hat{\bar{y}}_{HH}) = \frac{1}{n} \left( 1 - \frac{n}{N} \right) S^2 + w_2 \frac{k-1}{n} S_2^2 \text{ where } S^2 = \sum_{i=1}^N (Y_i - \bar{Y})^2 / (N-1). \text{ An}$$

unbiased estimator of this variance is

$$\hat{v}(\hat{\bar{y}}_{HH}) = \frac{1}{n} \left( 1 - \frac{n}{N} \right) \left[ \frac{(n_1-1)s_1^2 + k(m-1)s_{2m}^2}{n-1} \right] +$$

$$+ \frac{1}{n} \left( 1 - \frac{n}{N} \right) \left[ \frac{n_1 (\bar{y}_1 - \hat{\bar{y}}_{HH})^2 + n_2 (\bar{y}_{2m} - \hat{\bar{y}}_{HH})^2}{n-1} \right] + \frac{(N-1)w_2(k-1)s_{2m}^2}{N(n-1)}$$

where  $s_1^2 = \sum_{i=1}^{n_1} (y_i - \bar{y}_1)^2 / (n_1-1)$ ,  $s_{2m}^2 = \sum_{s=1}^m (y_s - \bar{y}_{2m})^2$  and

$$\bar{y}_{2m} = \left( \sum_{s=1}^m y_s \right) / m.$$

Udofia (2005) considers a finite population that consists of  $N$  clusters of  $M$  units of analysis each. In each of these clusters,  $M_1$  units would respond and the other  $M_2 = M - M_1$  units would not respond. Under the sample design, a sample of  $n$  clusters is drawn at random and without replacement and all the  $M$  units of each selected cluster are included in the sample. Assume that during the survey in each selected cluster, all the  $M_1$  units from the response substratum respond while all the  $M_2$  units from the nonresponse substratum fail to respond. Draw a sample of  $m_2 = M_2/k$ ,  $k > 1$ , at random and without replacement from the  $M_2$  nonrespondents in each selected cluster and revisit all the  $m_2$  units. Assume that all the  $m_2$  units respond during the revisit.

$$\text{Let } \bar{y}_{.1} = \frac{1}{NM_1} \sum_{i=1}^N \sum_{j=1}^{M_1} Y_{ij}, \bar{y}_{.2} = \frac{1}{NM_2} \sum_{i=1}^N \sum_{\ell=1}^{M_2} Y_{i\ell}, W_1 = M_1/M,$$

$$W_2 = M_2/M,$$

$$\bar{y}_1 = \frac{1}{nM_1} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^{M_1} Y_{ij}, \bar{y}_{im_2} = \frac{1}{m_2} \sum_{s=1}^{m_2} y_{is}, \bar{y}_{.m_2} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \bar{y}_{im_2},$$

$$S_{iwm_2}^2 = \frac{1}{m_2-1} \sum_{s=1}^{m_2} (y_{is} - \bar{y}_{im_2})^2; S_{y1B}^2 = \frac{1}{n-1} \left( \sum_{i=1}^n y_{i1}^2 - \frac{y_1^2}{n} \right)$$

$$s_{yBm_2}^2 = \frac{1}{n-1} \left( \sum_{i=1}^n y_{im_2}^2 - \frac{y_{.2m_2}^2}{n} \right), y_{i1} = \sum_{j=1}^{M_1} y_{ij}, y_1 = \sum_{i=1}^n y_{i1},$$

$$y_{im_2} = \sum_{s=1}^{m_2} y_{is}, y_{.2m_2} = \sum_{i=1}^n y_{im_2}. \text{ An unbiased estimator of the}$$

population mean  $\bar{Y} = w_1 \bar{y}_{.1} + w_2 \bar{y}_{.2}$  is  $\bar{y}_{cl}^* = W_1 \bar{y}_{.1} + W_2 \bar{y}_{.m_2}$ .

Udofia (2005) gives the variance of this estimator as

$$v(\bar{y}_{cl}^*) = \frac{1}{n} \left( 1 - \frac{n}{N} \right) \left[ W_1^2 S_{1B}^2 + W_2^2 S_{2B}^2 \right] + \frac{1}{n} \left( 1 - \frac{n}{N} \right) \left[ \frac{W_1^2 N (\bar{y}_{.1} - \bar{Y})^2 + W_2^2 N (\bar{y}_{.2} - \bar{Y})^2}{N-1} \right] + \frac{W_2 k(k-1)}{NM_2-1} \left[ \frac{N(M_2-1)S_{2w}^2}{nM} + \frac{W_2(N-1)S_{2B}^2}{n} \right]$$

and its estimator as

$$\hat{v}(\bar{y}_{cl}^*) = \frac{1}{n} \left( 1 - \frac{n}{N} \right) \frac{1}{M^2} \left( s_{y1B}^2 + k s_{yBm_2}^2 \right) + \frac{1}{n} \left( 1 - \frac{n}{N} \right) \left[ \frac{W_1^2 n (\bar{y}_{.1} - \bar{y}_{cl}^*)^2 + W_2^2 n (\bar{y}_{.m_2} - \bar{y}_{cl}^*)^2}{n-1} \right] + \frac{W_2 k(k-1)}{NM_2-1} \left[ \frac{N(m_2-1) \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n S_{iwm_2}^2 + (N-1) S_{yBm_2}^2 / m_2}{N-1} \right] \quad (1)$$

## EXTENSION OF HANSEN AND HURWITZ (1946)

### ESTIMATION PROCEDURE

We consider a finite population of the type discussed by Udofia (2005). Under the sampling strategy discussed in that paper, a random sample of  $n$  clusters is drawn without replacement from  $N$  clusters and all the  $M$  units of each selected cluster are included in the sample. We shall assume that the size  $M$  of each selected cluster is so large that, under given time and budget constraints, an investigator cannot include all units of each selected cluster in the sample.

In that case, draw a sample of  $m$  units at random and without replacement from each selected cluster. Assume that during the survey in each selected cluster,  $m_1$  of the sample units respond and the other  $m_2 = m - m_1$  units fail to respond. Select  $m_{22} = m_2/k$ ,  $k > 1$ , units from  $m_2$  non-respondents at random and without replacement and revisit all the  $m_{22}$  units in the subsample under improved survey conditions (more experienced, more qualified, more respectable field staff as well as better timing of visits, improved publicity and approach) that guarantee complete response. Assume that under such improved conditions all the  $m_{22}$  units in each selected cluster respond.

### Notations

Let  $Y_{ij}$  denote the value of the study variable,  $Y$ , for unit  $j$  in cluster  $i$ . The population mean (the estimand) is

$$\bar{Y} = \frac{1}{NM} \sum_{i=1}^N \sum_{j=1}^M Y_{ij} = \frac{1}{NM} \sum_{i=1}^N (M_1 \bar{Y}_{i1} + M_2 \bar{Y}_{i2}) = w_1 \bar{Y}_{.1} + w_2 \bar{Y}_{.2};$$

where  $W_1 = M_1/M$ ;  $W_2 = M_2/M$  and  $\bar{Y}_i = \frac{1}{M} \sum_{j=1}^M Y_{ij}$  is the mean of  $Y$  for cluster  $i$ .

Then  $\bar{Y}_{i1} = \frac{1}{M_1} \sum_{j=1}^{M_1} Y_{ij}$  is the mean of  $Y$  for the part of the response

stratum in cluster  $i$ ;

$\bar{Y}_{i2} = \frac{1}{M_2} \sum_{\ell=1}^{M_2} Y_{i\ell}$  is the mean of  $Y$  for the part of the non response

stratum in cluster  $i$ .

$$\bar{Y}_1 = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \bar{Y}_{i1} = \frac{1}{NM_1} \sum_{i=1}^N \sum_{j=1}^{M_1} Y_{ij}$$

$\bar{Y}_2 = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \bar{Y}_{i2} = \frac{1}{NM_2} \sum_{i=1}^N \sum_{\ell=1}^{M_2} Y_{i\ell}$  is the mean of  $Y$  for the nonresponse

stratum.

$$s_{1B}^2 = \frac{1}{N-1} \sum_{i=1}^N (\bar{Y}_{i1} - \bar{Y}_{.1})^2; \quad s_{2B}^2 = \frac{1}{N-1} \sum_{i=1}^N (\bar{Y}_{i2} - \bar{Y}_{.2})^2;$$

$$\bar{y}_{im_1} = \frac{1}{m_1} \sum_{j=1}^{m_1} y_{ij}; \quad \bar{y}_{.m_1} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \bar{y}_{im_1}; \quad \bar{y}_{im_2} = \frac{1}{m_2} \sum_{\ell=1}^{m_2} y_{i\ell}$$

$$\bar{y}_{.m_2} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \bar{y}_{im_2}; \quad \bar{y}_{im_{22}} = \frac{1}{m_{22}} \sum_{s=1}^{m_{22}} y_{is}; \quad \bar{y}_{.m_{22}} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \bar{y}_{im_{22}}.$$

The other notations will be defined as the need arises.

### Estimation of Mean

The sample mean as an estimator of the population mean is

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{y}_{cl} &= \frac{1}{nm} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^m y_{ij} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \left( \frac{1}{m} \sum_{j=1}^m y_{ij} \right) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \bar{y}_{im} \\ &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \left( \frac{\sum_{j=1}^{m_1} y_{ij} + \sum_{\ell=1}^{m_2} y_{i\ell}}{m} \right) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (w_1 \bar{y}_{im_1} + w_2 \bar{y}_{im_2}) \\ &= w_1 \bar{y}_{.m_1} + w_2 \bar{y}_{.m_2} \quad \dots \quad (2) \end{aligned}$$

where  $w_1 = m_1/m$  and  $w_2 = m_2/m$ . Since  $\bar{y}_{.m_2}$  cannot be calculated because of lack of information for all the  $m_2$  units, an unbiased estimator of  $\bar{Y}$  is  $\bar{y}_{cl.2} = w_1 \bar{y}_{.m_1} + w_2 \bar{y}_{.m_{22}}$

We note that  $E_1(\bar{y}_{.m_1}) = \bar{Y}_{.1}$ ,  $E(\bar{y}_{.m_2}) = \bar{Y}_{.2}$ ,  $E_2(\bar{y}_{.m_{22}}) = \bar{y}_{.m_2}$ ,

and hence  $E(\bar{y}_{.m_{22}}) = E_1[E_2(\bar{y}_{.m_{22}})] = \bar{Y}_{.2}$ . Thus,

$$\begin{aligned} E(\bar{y}_{cl.2}) &= E_1[E_2(\bar{y}_{cl.2})] = E_1[w_1 E_2(\bar{y}_{.m_1}) + w_2 E_2(\bar{y}_{.m_{22}})] \\ &= E_1(w_1 \bar{y}_{.m_1} + w_2 \bar{y}_{.m_2}) = E_1(\bar{y}_{cl}) \text{ by (2)} \\ &= \frac{1}{NM} \sum_{i=1}^N \sum_{j=1}^M Y_{ij} = \bar{Y} \end{aligned}$$

This proves the unbiasedness of  $\bar{y}_{cl.2}$  for  $\bar{Y}$ .

The variance of  $\bar{y}_{cl.2}$  is obtained from the conditional variance formula [Hansen, Hurwitz and Madow (1953), p.65]

$$V(\bar{y}_{cl.2}) = V_1 E_2(\bar{y}_{cl.2}) + E_1 V_2(\bar{y}_{cl.2}) \quad (3)$$

Now  $E_2(\bar{y}_{cl.2}) = w_1 \bar{y}_{.m_1} + w_2 \bar{y}_{.m_2} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \bar{y}_{i.}$  where  $\bar{y}_{i.} = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{j=1}^m y_{ij}$ .

Hence

$$V_1 E_2(\bar{y}_{cl.2}) = V_1 \left( \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \bar{y}_{i.} \right) = \frac{N-n}{Nn} s_B^2 \quad (4)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} s_B^2 &= \frac{1}{N-1} \sum_{i=1}^N (\bar{y}_{i.} - \bar{Y})^2 = \frac{1}{N-1} \sum_{i=1}^N \left[ \frac{1}{M} \sum_{j=1}^M (y_{ij} - \bar{Y})^2 \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{M^2 (N-1)} \left[ \sum_{i=1}^N M_1^2 (\bar{y}_{i1} - \bar{Y})^2 + \sum_{i=1}^N M_2^2 (\bar{y}_{i2} - \bar{Y})^2 \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{M^2 (N-1)} \left[ \sum_{i=1}^N M_1^2 (\bar{y}_{i1} - \bar{Y}_{.1})^2 + \sum_{i=1}^N M_2^2 (\bar{y}_{i2} - \bar{Y}_{.2})^2 \right] + \\ &\quad \frac{1}{M^2 (N-1)} \left[ \sum_{i=1}^N M_1^2 (\bar{Y}_{.1} - \bar{Y})^2 + \sum_{i=1}^N M_2^2 (\bar{Y}_{.2} - \bar{Y})^2 \right] \\ &= w_1^2 s_{1B}^2 + w_2^2 s_{2B}^2 + \frac{w_1^2 N (\bar{Y}_{.1} - \bar{Y})^2 + w_2^2 N (\bar{Y}_{.2} - \bar{Y})^2}{N-1} \quad (5) \end{aligned}$$

Substitution of (5) in (4) gives the result

$$\begin{aligned} V_1 E_2(\bar{y}_{cl.2}) &= \frac{1}{n} \left( 1 - \frac{n}{N} \right) [w_1^2 s_{1B}^2 + w_2^2 s_{2B}^2] + \\ &\quad \frac{1}{n} \left( 1 - \frac{n}{N} \right) \left[ \frac{w_1^2 N (\bar{Y}_{.1} - \bar{Y})^2 + w_2^2 N (\bar{Y}_{.2} - \bar{Y})^2}{N-1} \right] \quad (6) \end{aligned}$$

Also

$$\begin{aligned} V_2(\bar{y}_{cl.2}) &= V_2(w_1 \bar{y}_{.m_1} + w_2 \bar{y}_{.m_{22}}) = w_2^2 V_2(\bar{y}_{.m_{22}}) \\ &= \frac{m_2^2}{m^2} \frac{nm_2 - nm_{22}}{nm_2 nm_{22}} \frac{1}{nm_2 - 1} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{\ell=1}^{m_2} (y_{i\ell} - \bar{y}_{.m_2})^2 \\ &= \frac{m_2}{m^2} \frac{m_2 - m_{22}}{nm_{22}} s_{nm_2}^2 = \frac{m_2}{m^2} \frac{m_{22}^{(k-1)}}{nm_{22}} s_{nm_2}^2 \\ &= \frac{w_2^{(k-1)}}{nm} s_{nm_2}^2 \quad (7) \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Where } s_{nm_2}^2 = \frac{1}{nm_2-1} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{\ell=1}^{m_2} \left( y_{i\ell} - \bar{y}_{\cdot m_2} \right)^2,$$

$$E_1 V_2(\bar{y}_{cl \cdot 2}) = \frac{E_1(m_2)}{m^2} \frac{k-1}{n} E_1(s_{nm_2}^2).$$

By Cochran (1963 p.369)  $E_1(m_2) = m \frac{NM_2}{NM}$  and hence

$$E_1 V_2(\bar{y}_{cl \cdot 2}) = \frac{mW_2(k-1)}{m^2 n} S_2^2 = \frac{W_2(k-1)}{nm} S_2^2 \quad (8)$$

$$\text{where } S_2^2 = \frac{1}{NM_2-1} \sum_{i=1}^N \sum_{\ell=1}^{M_2} \left( Y_{i\ell} - \bar{Y}_{\cdot 2} \right)^2.$$

Substituting of (6) and (8) in (3) gives the result

$$\begin{aligned} v(\bar{y}_{cl \cdot 2}) &= \frac{1}{n} \left( 1 - \frac{n}{N} \right) \left[ W_1^2 S_{1B}^2 + W_2^2 S_{2B}^2 \right] + \\ &+ \frac{1}{n} \left( 1 - \frac{n}{N} \right) \left[ \frac{W_1^2 N (\bar{y}_{\cdot 1} - \bar{Y})^2 + W_2^2 N (\bar{y}_{\cdot 2} - \bar{Y})^2}{N-1} \right] + \frac{W_2(k-1)}{nm} S_2^2 \end{aligned} \quad (9)$$

But

$$\begin{aligned} S_2^2 &= \frac{1}{NM_2-1} \sum_{i=1}^N \sum_{\ell=1}^{M_2} \left( Y_{i\ell} - \bar{Y}_{\cdot 2} \right)^2 = \frac{1}{NM_2-1} \sum_{i=1}^N \sum_{\ell=1}^{M_2} \left[ (Y_{i\ell} - \bar{Y}_{i2}) + (\bar{Y}_{i2} - \bar{Y}_{\cdot 2}) \right]^2 \\ &= \frac{1}{NM_2-1} \left[ \sum_{i=1}^N \sum_{\ell=1}^{M_2} \left( Y_{i\ell} - \bar{Y}_{i2} \right)^2 + M_2 \sum_{i=1}^N \left( \bar{Y}_{i2} - \bar{Y}_{\cdot 2} \right)^2 \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{NM_2-1} \left[ (M_2-1) \sum_{i=1}^N S_{i2W}^2 + M_2 \sum_{i=1}^N \left( \bar{Y}_{i2} - \bar{Y}_{\cdot 2} \right)^2 \right] \\ &= \frac{M_2-1}{NM_2-1} \sum_{i=1}^N S_{i2W}^2 + \frac{M_2 \sum_{i=1}^N \left( \bar{Y}_{i2} - \bar{Y}_{\cdot 2} \right)^2}{NM_2-1} \end{aligned} \quad (10)$$

$$= \frac{N(M_2-1)}{NM_2-1} S_{\cdot 2W}^2 + \frac{M_2(N-1)}{NM_2-1} S_{2B}^2 \quad (11)$$

$$\text{where } S_{i2W}^2 = \frac{1}{M_2-1} \sum_{\ell=1}^{M_2} \left( Y_{i\ell} - \bar{Y}_{i2} \right)^2$$

$$\text{and } S_{\cdot 2W}^2 = \frac{1}{N(M_2-1)} \sum_{i=1}^N \sum_{\ell=1}^{M_2} \left( Y_{i\ell} - \bar{Y}_{i2} \right)^2.$$

Substitution of (10) or (11) in (9) gives the result

$$\begin{aligned} v(\bar{y}_{cl \cdot 2}) &= \frac{1}{n} \left( 1 - \frac{n}{N} \right) \left[ W_1^2 S_{1B}^2 + W_2^2 S_{2B}^2 \right] + \\ &\frac{1}{n} \left( 1 - \frac{n}{N} \right) \left[ \frac{W_1^2 N (\bar{y}_{\cdot 1} - \bar{Y})^2 + W_2^2 N (\bar{y}_{\cdot 2} - \bar{Y})^2}{N-1} \right] + \\ &+ \frac{W_2(k-1)}{NM_2-1} \left[ \frac{(M_2-1) \sum_{i=1}^N S_{i2W}^2 + M_2 \sum_{i=1}^N \left( \bar{Y}_{i2} - \bar{Y}_{\cdot 2} \right)^2}{nm} \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{n} \left( 1 - \frac{n}{N} \right) \left[ W_1^2 S_{1B}^2 + W_2^2 S_{2B}^2 \right] + \\ &\frac{1}{n} \left( 1 - \frac{n}{N} \right) \left[ \frac{W_1^2 N (\bar{y}_{\cdot 1} - \bar{Y})^2 + W_2^2 N (\bar{y}_{\cdot 2} - \bar{Y})^2}{N-1} \right] + \end{aligned} \quad (12)$$

$$+ \frac{W_2(k-1)}{NM_2-1} \left[ \frac{N(M_2-1) S_{\cdot 2W}^2 + M_2(N-1) S_{2B}^2}{nm} \right] \quad (13)$$

This result depends positively on the variance of subgroups of respondents in the different clusters, the variance of subgroups of the nonrespondents in those clusters, the variance within the nonresponse stratum, the difference between the response stratum and the population as a whole as well as the difference between the nonresponse stratum and the population as a whole and hence the difference between the response stratum and the nonresponse stratum with respect to the variable under study.

### ESTIMATION OF VARIANCE OF THE ESTIMATOR

To obtain an unbiased estimator of  $v_1 E_2(\bar{y}_{cl \cdot 2})$  in (6) we only need

an unbiased estimator of  $S_B^2$  which is  $s_B^2 = \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^n (\bar{y}_{i \cdot} - \bar{y})^2$ . Since  $\bar{y}$

cannot be calculated in the presence of nonresponse, we use  $\bar{y}_{cl \cdot 2}$

[Rao(1986)] and obtain

$$\begin{aligned} s_B^2 &= \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^n (\bar{y}_{i \cdot} - \bar{y}_{cl \cdot 2})^2 = \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^n \left[ \frac{1}{m} \sum_{j=1}^m (y_{ij} - \bar{y}_{cl \cdot 2}) \right]^2 \\ &= \frac{1}{m^2(n-1)} \sum_{i=1}^n \left[ \frac{1}{m} \sum_{j=1}^m (y_{ij} - \bar{y}_{cl \cdot 2}) + (\bar{y}_{i2} - \bar{y}_{cl \cdot 2}) \right]^2 \end{aligned}$$

Now

$$\sum_{j=1}^{m_1} (y_{ij} - \bar{y}_{cl \cdot 2}) = \sum_{j=1}^{m_1} [(y_{ij} - \bar{y}_{i1}) + (\bar{y}_{i1} - \bar{y}_{cl \cdot 2})] = m_1 (\bar{y}_{i1} - \bar{y}_{cl \cdot 2})$$

$$\sum_{\ell=1}^{m_2} (y_{i\ell} - \bar{y}_{cl \cdot 2}) = \sum_{\ell=1}^{m_2} [(y_{i\ell} - \bar{y}_{i2}) + (\bar{y}_{i2} - \bar{y}_{cl \cdot 2})] = m_2 (\bar{y}_{i2} - \bar{y}_{cl \cdot 2})$$

and hence

$$S_B^2 = \frac{1}{m^2(n-1)} \left[ \sum_{i=1}^n m_1^2 (\bar{y}_{i1} - \bar{y}_{cl \cdot 2})^2 + \sum_{i=1}^n m_2^2 (\bar{y}_{i2} - \bar{y}_{cl \cdot 2})^2 \right] \quad (14)$$

But

$$\sum_{i=1}^n m_1^2 (\bar{y}_{i1} - \bar{y}_{cl \cdot 2})^2 = \sum_{i=1}^n m_1^2 [(\bar{y}_{i1} - \bar{y}_{\cdot 1}) + (\bar{y}_{\cdot 1} - \bar{y}_{cl \cdot 2})]^2;$$

$$\bar{y}_{\cdot 1} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \bar{y}_{i1}$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^n m_1^2 (\bar{y}_{i1} - \bar{y}_{\cdot 1})^2 + \sum_{i=1}^n m_1^2 (\bar{y}_{\cdot 1} - \bar{y}_{cl \cdot 2})^2 \quad (15)$$

Similarly,

$$\sum_{i=1}^n m_2^2 (\bar{y}_{i2} - \bar{y}_{cl \cdot 2})^2 = \sum_{i=1}^n m_2^2 (\bar{y}_{i2} - \bar{y}_{\cdot 2})^2 + \sum_{i=1}^n m_2^2 (\bar{y}_{\cdot 2} - \bar{y}_{cl \cdot 2})^2;$$

$$\bar{y}_{\cdot 2} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \bar{y}_{i2}$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^n m_2^2 \left[ \frac{1}{m_2} \sum_{\ell=1}^{m_2} (y_{i\ell} - \bar{y}_{\cdot 2}) \right]^2 + \sum_{i=1}^n m_2^2 (\bar{y}_{\cdot 2} - \bar{y}_{cl \cdot 2})^2$$

From Cochran (1977), p.372 we express  $m_2$  in terms of  $m_{22}$  as  $m_2 = km_{22}$  and hence

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{i=1}^n m_2^2 (\bar{y}_{i2} - \bar{y}_{cl \cdot 2})^2 &= \sum_{i=1}^n \left[ \sum_{t=1}^k \sum_{s=1}^{m_{22}} y_{i s} - km_{22} \left( \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{km_{22}t=1} \sum_{s=1}^{m_{22}} y_{i s} \right) \right]^2 \\ &+ \sum_{i=1}^n k^2 m_{22}^2 \left[ \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{m_{22}} \sum_{s=1}^{m_{22}} (y_{i s} - \bar{y}_{cl \cdot 2}) \right]^2 \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n \left[ k \sum_{s=1}^{m_{22}} y_{i s} - k \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{s=1}^{m_{22}} y_{i s}}{n} \right]^2 + k^2 m_{22}^2 \sum_{i=1}^n \left[ \frac{1}{m_{22}n} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{s=1}^{m_{22}} (y_{i s} - \bar{y}_{cl \cdot 2}) \right]^2 \\ &= k^2 \sum_{i=1}^n \left( y_{i m_{22}} - \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n y_{i m_{22}}}{n} \right)^2 + nk^2 m_{22}^2 (\bar{y}_{m_{22}} - \bar{y}_{cl \cdot 2})^2 \end{aligned} \quad (16)$$

Substitution of (15) and (16) in (14) gives the result

$$\begin{aligned} s_B^2 &= \frac{1}{m^2(n-1)} \left[ \sum_{i=1}^n m_1^2 (\bar{y}_{i1} - \bar{y}_{\cdot 1})^2 + nm_1^2 (\bar{y}_{\cdot 1} - \bar{y}_{cl \cdot 2})^2 + \right. \\ &+ k^2 \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^n \left( y_{i m_{22}} - \frac{y_{\cdot m_{22}}}{n} \right)^2 + nm_{22}^2 (\bar{y}_{m_{22}} - \bar{y}_{cl \cdot 2})^2 \right\} \Big] \\ &= \frac{m_1^2}{m^2} \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^n (\bar{y}_{i1} - \bar{y}_{\cdot 1})^2 + \frac{k^2}{m^2} \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^n \left( y_{i m_{22}} - \frac{y_{\cdot m_{22}}}{n} \right)^2 + \\ &+ \frac{m_1^2}{m^2} \frac{n}{n-1} (\bar{y}_{\cdot 1} - \bar{y}_{cl \cdot 2})^2 + \frac{k^2 m_{22}^2}{m^2} \frac{n}{n-1} (\bar{y}_{m_{22}} - \bar{y}_{cl \cdot 2})^2 \\ &= w_1^2 s_{1B}^2 + k^2 \frac{s_{yB}^2}{m^2} + \frac{w_1^2 n (\bar{y}_{\cdot 1} - \bar{y}_{cl \cdot 2})^2 + w_2^2 n (\bar{y}_{m_{22}} - \bar{y}_{cl \cdot 2})^2}{n-1} \end{aligned} \quad (17)$$

where  $s_{yB}^2 = \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^n \left( y_{i m_{22}} - \frac{y_{\cdot m_{22}}}{n} \right)^2$  is the variance between

subsamples of nonrespondents from the selected clusters.

Substitution of (17) for  $S_B^2$  in (4) gives the following estimator of

$$v_{1E2}(\bar{y}_{cl \cdot 2})$$

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{v}_{1E2}(\bar{y}_{cl \cdot 2}) &= \frac{1}{n} \left( 1 - \frac{n}{N} \right) \left[ w_1^2 s_{1B}^2 + k^2 \frac{s_{yB}^2 m_{22}}{m^2} \right] + \\ &+ \frac{1}{n} \left( 1 - \frac{n}{N} \right) \left[ \frac{w_1^2 n (\bar{y}_{\cdot 1} - \bar{y}_{cl \cdot 2})^2 + w_2^2 n (\bar{y}_{m_{22}} - \bar{y}_{cl \cdot 2})^2}{n-1} \right] \end{aligned} \quad (18)$$

To obtain an unbiased estimator of  $E_1 V_2(\bar{y}_{cl \cdot 2})$  in (8), we only need

to express  $S_{nm_2}^2$  in (7) in terms of information from the  $m_{22}$  units that responded later.

Thus

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{\ell=1}^{m_2} (y_{i\ell} - \bar{y}_{\cdot m_2})^2 &= \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{\ell=1}^{m_2} \left[ (y_{i\ell} - \bar{y}_{i m_2}) + (\bar{y}_{i m_2} - \bar{y}_{\cdot m_2}) \right]^2 \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{\ell=1}^{m_2} (y_{i\ell} - \bar{y}_{i m_2})^2 + m_2 \sum_{i=1}^n (\bar{y}_{i m_2} - \bar{y}_{\cdot m_2})^2 \dots \end{aligned} \quad (19)$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{\ell=1}^{m_2} (y_{i\ell} - \bar{y}_{i m_2})^2 &= \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{t=1}^k \sum_{s=1}^{m_{22}} (y_{i s} - \bar{y}_{i m_{22}})^2 = k \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{s=1}^{m_{22}} (y_{i s} - \bar{y}_{i m_{22}})^2 \\ &= k(m_{22} - 1) \sum_{i=1}^n s_{iwm_{22}}^2 \end{aligned} \quad (20)$$

where  $s_{iwm_{22}}^2 = \frac{1}{m_{22}-1} \sum_{s=1}^{m_{22}} (y_{i s} - \bar{y}_{i m_{22}})^2$ , and

$$m_2 \sum_{i=1}^n (\bar{y}_{i m_2} - \bar{y}_{\cdot m_2})^2 = \frac{m_2}{m_{22}^2} \sum_{i=1}^n \left( y_{i m_{22}} - \frac{y_{\cdot m_{22}}}{n} \right)^2 \quad (21)$$

Substitution of (20) and (21) in (19) gives the results

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{\ell=1}^{m_2} (y_{i\ell} - \bar{y}_{\cdot m_2})^2 = k(m_{22}-1) \sum_{i=1}^n s_{iwm_{22}}^2 + \frac{k}{m_{22}} \sum_{i=1}^n \left( y_{i m_{22}} - \frac{y_{\cdot m_{22}}}{n} \right)^2$$

and hence

$$\begin{aligned} s_{nm_2}^2 &= \frac{1}{nm_2-1} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{\ell=1}^{m_2} (y_{i\ell} - \bar{y}_{\cdot m_2})^2 \\ &= \frac{k(m_{22}-1) \sum_{i=1}^n s_{iwm_{22}}^2 + \frac{k}{m_{22}} \sum_{i=1}^n \left( y_{i m_{22}} - \frac{y_{\cdot m_{22}}}{n} \right)^2}{nm_2-1} \\ &= \frac{nk(m_{22}-1)s_{w m_{22}}^2 + k(n-1)s_{yB}^2 m_{22}/m_{22}}{nm_2-1} \end{aligned} \quad (22)$$

Substitution of (22) in (7) gives the result

$$E_1 \hat{V}_2(\bar{y}_{cl \cdot 2}) = \frac{w_2 k(k-1)}{nm} \left[ \frac{(m_{22}-1)s_{w m_{22}}^2 + (n-1)s_{yB}^2 m_{22}/m_{22}}{nm_2-1} \right] \quad (23)$$

A combination of (18) and (23) under (3) gives the following estimator of  $v(\bar{y}_{cl \cdot 2})$

$$\hat{v}(\bar{y}_{cl \cdot 2}) = \frac{1}{n} \left( 1 - \frac{n}{N} \right) \left[ w_1^2 s_{1B}^2 + k^2 \frac{s_{yB}^2 m_{22}}{m^2} \right] +$$

$$+ \frac{1}{n} \left( 1 - \frac{n}{N} \right) \left[ \frac{w_1^2 n (\bar{y}_{11} - \bar{y}_{cl.2})^2 + w_2^2 n (\bar{y}_{im_{22}} - \bar{y}_{cl.2})^2}{n-1} \right] +$$

$$+ \frac{w_2 k(k-1)}{nm} \left[ \frac{n(m_{22}-1)s_{wm_{22}}^2 + (n-1)s_{yBm_{22}}^2 / m_{22}}{nm_{22}-1} \right]$$

### APPLICATION

A study of average value of fishing tools per fisherfolk in the coastal region of Cross River State of Nigeria in 1993 was based on the above design. The population studied consisted of 24 clusters of 100 households each with a large subpopulation of non-native fisherfolks. In each cluster, 70 ( $M_1$ ) of the households were native and would respond and the other 30 ( $M_2$ ) were non-native households and would not respond.

A random sample of 8 clusters was drawn without replacement. Then 60 households were drawn at random and without replacement from each selected cluster by selecting 42 units ( $m_1$ ) from the response subpopulation and 18 units ( $m_2$ ) from the nonresponse subpopulation. During the survey, all the  $m_1 = 42$  units responded on the study variable but the other  $m_2 = 18$  units did not. It was obvious that apart from the order by the union of “non-native fisherfolks” to its members not to answer survey questions that related to their fishing operations, these nonrespondents were also afraid of property tax on their fishing tools.

A sample of 9 (50%) units was drawn at random and without replacement from the 18 nonrespondents in each cluster. All the 9 units were reinterviewed by specially trained persons who tried to emphasize the benefits, such as assistance from micro-credit scheme, which response to the survey questions could bring to the respondents. All the 9 fisherfolks in the subsample in each cluster responded.

A summary of the sample observations in thousands of Naira is given in Table 1.

**Table 1. Summary of a result in fishing tools (in thousands of naira) in cross river state, Nigeria, in 1993**

| Sample Cluster | $\sum_{j=1}^{m_1} y_{ij}$ | $\bar{y}_{i1}$ | $y_{im_{22}}$ | $\bar{y}_{im_{22}}$ | $s_{iwm_{22}}^2$ |
|----------------|---------------------------|----------------|---------------|---------------------|------------------|
| 1              | 591                       | 14.0           | 293           | 32.6                | 83.37            |
| 2              | 867                       | 20.6           | 349           | 38.8                | 71.21            |
| 3              | 780                       | 18.6           | 344           | 38.2                | 202.15           |
| 4              | 797                       | 19.0           | 343           | 38.7                | 99.51            |
| 5              | 772                       | 18.4           | 374           | 41.6                | 140.75           |
| 6              | 765                       | 18.2           | 433           | 48.1                | 67.85            |
| 7              | 845                       | 20.1           | 366           | 40.7                | 136.76           |
| 8              | 736                       | 17.5           | 381           | 42.3                | 83.39            |
| <b>Total</b>   | <b>6153</b>               | <b>146.4</b>   | <b>2888</b>   | <b>321.0</b>        | <b>884.99</b>    |

$$\bar{y}_{i1} = 18.3, \bar{y}_{im_{22}} = 40.1, w_1 = 0.7, w_2 = 0.3; \bar{y}_{cl.2} = (18.3 \times 0.7) + (40.1 \times 0.3) = 24.84;$$

$$s_{1B}^2 = \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^n (\bar{y}_{i1} - \bar{y}_{cl.2})^2 = \frac{2836}{7} = 4.04; s_{yBm_{22}}^2 = \frac{11,004}{8} = 157200; s_{iwm_{22}}^2 = 884.99/8 = 110.62$$

$$\frac{1}{n} \left( 1 - \frac{n}{N} \right) \left[ w_1^2 s_{1B}^2 + k^2 \frac{s_{yBm_{22}}^2}{m^2} \right] = 0.3107;$$

$$\frac{w_2 k(k-1)}{nm_{22}-1} \left[ \frac{n(m_{22}-1)s_{wm_{22}}^2 + (n-1)s_{yBm_{22}}^2 / m_{22}}{nm} \right] = 0.0553$$

$$\hat{V}(\bar{y}_{cl.2}) = 0.3107 + 4.1814 + 4.1814 + 0.0553 = 4.5474$$

### DISCUSSION AND CONCLUSION

The components of variance of the estimator under the sampling design discussed in section 4 of this paper are (a) variance between subgroups of respondents located in the different clusters, (b) variance between subgroups of nonrespondents also located in the different clusters, (c) variance within the nonresponse stratum within the survey population, and (d) the difference between the response and the nonresponse strata. Since these various factors of variation are outside the control of any survey designer, the variance of an estimator under the sample design can be minimized by increasing the sample sizes ( $n$ ,  $m$  and  $m_{22}$ ) at all the stages of sampling as high as possible.

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