**Example**

**PSC-4099**

**Codebook Assignment**

**Research Question:** Are wealthier Americans more supportive of gay marriage?

**Dataset:** 2016 CCES

**Dependent Variable(s)**

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| **Original Question** | **Original Coding** | **Your Coding (Variable type)** |
| CC16\_335Do you favor or oppose allowing gays and lesbians to marry legally? | 1 Favor2 Oppose8 skipped9 not asked | Favorgaymar (dummy)2🡪 0=Oppose1🡪 1=Favor8, 9, missing 🡪 missing |

**Independent Variable(s)**

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| **Age** | **Original Coding** | **Your Coding** |
| age | Original values range from 18 to 96.97 97 years or older98 Prefer not to say\*Note, when there is a long list choices, you don’t need to list every value; the point here is (1) to make it clear what needs to be recoded and (2) to make sure that \*every\* value is accounted for in the recoding. For example, if you are coding lots of religious denominations into a handful of categories, you might have something like this for what is in the original survey rather than writing every group out (I am making these up)1 = Catholic, 2 = Evan Prot. 3 thu 7, 11, 14 = Various mainline Protestant groups;8,9,10,12,13 = Other religions that will be grouped into an “other category”;15 thru 17 = various types of non-religious people.90= DK or non-response.If you do not list every value for an original variable, double check very closely to make sure that every response category is covered and correct. | **AgeInYears** (interval)18 thru 97🡪 same values;98, missing 🡪 missing**Under 50** (dummy)18 thru 40🡪 1=Under 50 yrs;50 thru 97 🡪 0=Not under 5098, missing 🡪 missing |

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| **Original Question** | **Original Coding** | **Your Coding** |
| famincThinking back over the last year, what was your family's annual income? | 1 Less than $10,0002 $10,000 - $19,9993 $20,000 - $29,9994 $30,000 - $39,9995 $40,000 - $49,9996 $50,000 - $59,9997 $60,000 - $69,9998 $70,000 - $79,9999 $80,000 - $99,99910 $100,000 - $119,99911 $120,000 - $149,99912 $150,000 - $199,99913 $200,000 - $249,99914 $250,000 - $349,99915 $350,000 - $499,99916 $500,000 or more97 Prefer not to say | **incless50k** (dummy)6 thru 16🡪 0=Over 50k;1 thru 5 🡪 1=50k or under;97, missing 🡪 missing**inc50\_100k** (dummy)1 thru 5, 10 thru 16🡪 0=Not between 50k-100k6 thru 9 🡪 1=Between 50k-100k97, missing 🡪 missing**inc100\_150k** (dummy)1 thru 16🡪 0=Not between 100k-150k10, 11 🡪 1=Between 50k-100k97, missing 🡪 missing**incgreater150k**1 thru 11🡪 0=Less than 150k12 thru 16 🡪 1=150k or greater97, missing 🡪 missing |

**Control Variables**

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| **Original Question** | **Original Coding** | **Your Coding** |
| genderAre you male or female? | 1 Male2 Female8 skipped9 not asked | Female (dummy)1 🡪 0=Male2 🡪 1=Female8, 9, missing 🡪 missing |
| educationWhat is the highest level of education you have completed? | 1 No HS2 High school graduate3 Some college4 2-year5 4-year6 Post-grad8 skipped9 not asked | collegegrad1, 2, 3, 4 🡪 0=Not college grad5, 6 🡪 1=College or higher8, 9, missing 🡪 missing |
| ideolWhich of the words below best describes your political ideology?  | 1 Very liberal2 Liberal3 Somewhat liberal4 Neither liberal, nor conservative5 Somewhat conservative6 Conservative7 Very Conservative8 skipped9 not asked | LiberalIndex0to1 (continuous, 0-1 rescaled)1. 8, 9, missing 🡪 missing
2. 1 thru 7 reverse coded to create cons -> liberal scale (i.e. 8 – original value)
3. (Original value)/7 to create index ranging from 0 to 1.
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| Note:I have only shown two examples here, but you should show your full battery of control variables. |  |  |