

**As one example of how to merge datasets from 1874 and 1849, the following Stata code exemplifies the nine steps of the suggested procedure:**

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insheet using "ipehd_1871_edu_literacy_part2.csv", clear /*  
Step 1 */  
save "ipehd_1871_edu_literacy_part2.dta"  
insheet using "ipehd_1871_pop_demo_part2.csv", clear  
save "ipehd_1871_pop_demo_part2.dta"  
  
merge 1:1 kreiskey1874 using  
"ipehd_1871_edu_literacy_part2.dta" /* Step 2 */  
drop _merge  
  
save "ipehd_1871_part2.dta" /* Step 3 */  
  
insheet using "ipehd_merge_county.csv", clear /* Step 4 */  
duplicates drop kreiskey1874, force /* Step 5 */  
drop if kreiskey1874==.  
  
merge 1:1 kreiskey1874 using "ipehd_1871_part2.dta" /* Step 6 */  
  
collapse (sum) pop* lit* edu*, by (kreiskey1849) /* Step 7 */  
drop if kreiskey1849==.  
save "ipehd_1871_part2_2.dta"  
  
insheet using "ipehd_1849_rel_deno.csv", clear /* Step 8 */  
save "ipehd_1849_rel_deno.dta"  
insheet using "ipehd_merge_county.csv", clear  
duplicates drop kreiskey1849, force  
drop if kreiskey1849==.  
merge 1:1 kreiskey1849 using "ipehd_1849_rel_deno.dta"  
collapse (sum) rel*, by (kreiskey1849)  
save "ipehd_1849.dta"  
  
merge 1:1 kreiskey1849 using "ipehd_1871_part2_2.dta" /* Step 9 */  
drop _merge  
save "ipehd_1849_1871.dta"
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