French Sample Codebook

Explaining remarks to some of the variables

ST03Q01   This variable does not contain the students' answers but was created by using the student tracking list.

ST09Q01   The values are coded in accordance with the International Standard Classification of Occupations (ISCO 1988).

ST11Q01   The values are coded in accordance with the International Standard Classification of Occupations (ISCO 1988).

ST12Q01   The value labels correspond to the International Standard Classification of Education (ISCED 1997). Students were asked to classify the highest level of education of their mother on the basis of national qualifications. See the student questionnaire for the exact wording of the questions.

ST13Q01   The value labels correspond to the International Standard Classification of Education (ISCED 1997). Students were asked to classify the highest level of education of their father on the basis of national qualifications. See the student questionnaire for the exact wording of the questions.

ST16N01   This variable is a national option. It provides detailed information the students' country of birth.

ST16N02   This variable is a national option. It provides detailed information the students' mothers country of birth.

ST16N03   This variable is a national option. It provides detailed information the students' fathers country of birth.

ST17N01   This variable is a national option. It was asked instead of ST17Q01 since the categories of this variable are not detailed enough for Switzerland. The value-codes are not exactly like indicated in the questionnaire.

ST23Q05   This item of question 23 is a national option.

ST24Q01   This variable contains only missing values (N/A and mis.) since
                 Switzerland decided not to ask this item.

ST24Q02   This variable contains only missing values (N/A and mis.) since
                 Switzerland decided not to ask this item of the international student
                 questionnaire.

SEC_CANT   This variable indicates the school programme the students attend. It is
                 not based on ST25 of the student questionnaire but was constructed on
                 the basis of the student tracking list. ST25 turned out to be not
                 adequately formulated. Students had difficulties in identifying their school
                 programme in the items. Therefore, this variable has been deleted.

SEC_GYMN   This variable is tells us if the school programme leads to the university
                 entrance certificate or not. The variable doesn't exist in the national file.

                 In the national file are two other variables replacing ST25:
                 TYPESCH and TYPECONT
                 TYPESCH indicates also the school programme like SEC_CANT,
                 but the values are different.
                 TYPECONT is a different variable from SEC_GYMN.
                 The description can be found in the codebook_Variable Info.pdf
                 of the Student Grade9 file.

ST36Q01 to   Items were dichotomised as follows:
ST36 Q06   0 = 1,2 = never or a few times a year
                 1 = 3,4,5 = about a month, several times a month, several times a week
                 according to the technical report p231.

ST40Q01   The values are coded in accordance with the International Standard
                 Classification of Occupations (ISCO 1988).

ST41N01 to   National adaptations of ST41. In most cantons the grades go from 1 to 6,
ST41N06   in the canton of Vaud (canton 22) they go from 1 to 10.

ST41Q04 to   These variables were calculated from ST41N according to the rules of
ST41Q06   the cantonal education systems.

ST42Q01   In item 14 of this question the students could name other activities. If
               these activities were directly related to one of the other items the data
               has been recoded.

ST42Q05p   This variable denotes the profession for all students who will probably
               start an apprenticeship in the next year. The codes and value labels
               correspond to the register of professions of the Federal Office for
               Professional Education and Technology (OPET). This register does not
               exist in English but German, French and Italian. We chose to use the
               German version that can be downloaded from
               http://www.bbt.admin.ch/berufsbi/verzeich/d/lehrberuf.htm

ST42Q06p   This variable denotes the profession for all students who will probably
               start a basic vocational training in the next year. For further information,
               see ST42Q05p.

ST45Q02   Note that the students should only have answered this question if their
               answer to ST45Qo1 was "No". ST45Q02 contains the original answers
               of the students. Analysts should consider this when using this variable.