NRSG 736: Test Dataset Handout

Example Dataset – Start to Finish:
Data INPUT/IMPORT and EXPORT; Initial Data Screening; Coding and Formatting

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CODEBOOK Details

1) Variable names (1st column) – variable names can not have any special characters or spaces:
   a. SubjectID
   b. Age
   c. WeightPRE
   d. WeightPOST
   e. Height
   f. SES
   g. GenderSTR
   h. GenderCoded

2) Next make sure that "numeric" is listed as the "type" for all of these except "GenderSTR" – this field will be a "String" or "Char"

3) Labels:
   a. Subject ID
   b. Age in Years
   c. Weight in Pounds – Before Program
   d. Weight in Pounds – After Program
   e. Height in Decimal Feet
   f. Pseudo Socio-Economic-Status
   g. Gender as a Character/Text
   h. Gender Recoded

4) Next "values" for SES and GenderCoded – the "codebook"
   a. For SES - "values":
      i. Value = 1; Label = Low Income
      ii. Value = 2; Label = Average Income
      iii. Value = 3; Label = High Income
   b. GenderCoded - "values":
      i. Value = 1; Label = Male
      ii. Value = 2; Label = Female
   c. q1,q2,q3,q4,q5 – "values":
      i. Value = 1; Label = "None of the time"
      ii. Value = 2; Label = "A little of the time"
      iii. Value = 3; Label = "Some of the time"
      iv. Value = 4; Label = "A lot of the time"
      v. Value = 5; Label = "All of the time"

5) Other notes
   a. Missing values are coded as either 9 or 99 (see Age, and q1,q2,q3,q4,q5)