

Frequencies

FREQUENCIES
VARIABLES=happy
/ORDER= ANALYSIS .

GENERAL HAPPINESS

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	VERY HAPPY (1)	415	15.0	30.3	30.3
	PRETTY HAPPY (2)	784	28.4	57.3	87.6
	NOT TOO HAPPY (3)	170	6.1	12.4	100.0
	Total	1369	49.5	100.0	
Missing	NAP (0)	1393	50.4		
	DK (8)	1	.0		
	NA (9)	2	.1		
	Total	1396	50.5		
Total		2765	100.0		

The valid percent column includes only cases that are not classified as “system missing.” For this example, of the valid responses, 30.3% of the cases have a value of (1) very happy. Notice the differences between the *percent* and *valid percent* columns.

The percent column indicates simply the percentage of cases in each of the groups. In this example, 15.0% of the cases have a value of (1) very happy. This column includes all possible values, including system missing values.

The missing values for this variable include values 0, 8, and 9. SPSS considers these values “system missing” and therefore they are not included in analyses. For this example, 50.5% of the total cases are “system missing,” with a vast majority classified as “NAP” or not applicable. “NAP” typically refers to respondents who skipped out of the question.