GENERAL STRUCTURE OF THE ENTERPRISE SURVEYS PANEL DATASETS

The Enterprise Surveys panel datasets have the following common format:
- Variable panel allows easy identification of panel observations
- Variable panelid is the same across the waves for the same firm
- Variable eligibility<year> reports eligibility status of all firms interviewed in the previous wave as of the <year> of the latest wave
  - e.g., in 2014-2022 panel, eligibility2022 reports status as of 2022 of all firms interviewed in 2014
- Variable status<year> reports the status of eligible firms as to whether they have been selected in the sample to be interviewed or the interview was a refusal.
- Wherever possible variables are matched across waves. If needed, matches are made by converting variable names in older waves to variable names in the most recent wave
- Due to methodological changes and evolution of the survey instrument it is not possible to match all variables in the datasets
- Variables that are not matched across waves are named as _<year>_<variable>, with the year in which the variable was collected (e.g., _2014_date)
- It is recommended that users thoroughly familiarize themselves with the questionnaires from each of the years contained in the dataset before proceeding with analysis
- Weights are representative of the universe for the year that the firm was interviewed. They are **not** panel weights.

To understand more about the panel structure, please type in Stata: **tab panel year**

Panel: Firm interviewed in these years	Year of survey 2014	2022	Total
2014 only	5,215	0	5,215
2022 only	0	5,310	5,310
2014 and 2022	4,066	4,066	8,132
Total	9,281	9,376	18,657

The image below illustrates the structure of the dataset

	idstd	panelid	year	panel
1	562281	562281	2014	2014 and 2022
2	864024	562281	2022	2014 and 2022
3	562284	562284	2014	2014 and 2022
4	866907	562284	2022	2014 and 2022
5	562289	562289	2014	2014 and 2022