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Subject: DHS 2013 Abortion questions

Posted by [cmbulu](#) on Fri, 22 Mar 2019 04:47:39 GMT

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Does any one know if the 2008 or 2013 DHS Nigeria has direct abortion questions?

Thanks.

Christian.

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Subject: Re: DHS 2013 Abortion questions

Posted by [boyle014](#) on Fri, 19 Apr 2019 21:05:40 GMT

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You can get answers to questions like this at IPUMS DHS. At the website, I selected the Nigerian samples and searched for abortion. From the list of variables that turned up, I clicked on the name/link of the only one addressing whether a pregnancy ended in abortion. Then I clicked on the Survey Text tab to see precisely how the question was asked.

The way the questions were asked in Nigeria in 2008 and 2013 do not allow a researcher to distinguish purposeful abortions from other forms of pregnancy termination:

Have you ever had a pregnancy that miscarried, was aborted, or ended in a stillbirth?

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