Subject: Re: Calculation of sample size in BDHS 2014 Posted by Bridgette-DHS on Thu, 14 Dec 2017 13:39:01 GMT

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Following is a response from Senior DHS Stata Specialist, Tom Pullum:

Under the "Publications" tab at www.dhsprogram.com you can find core documentation, including a description of the sampling procedures:

https://www.dhsprogram.com/pubs/pdf/DHSM4/DHS6_Sampling_Manu al_Sept2012_DHSM4.pdf

The number of EAs in each stratum, and the number of households in the EAs, are based on a compromise between (a) the funds and staff available for data collection and (b) the desired power of the survey to detect real differences in the population. The survey design is approved by in-country experts as well as DHS staff. You, as a researcher, should not be held accountable for the survey design.