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Subject: Re: Share of children received ICDS services in India

Posted by [Bridgette-DHS](#) on Tue, 07 Jul 2020 19:02:35 GMT

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Following is a response from DHS Research & Data Analysis Director, Tom Pullum:

There has been quite a bit of discussion of this issue. Unfortunately I have no additional information and can't put any more time into resolving the inconsistencies.

This kind of a dead end only happens occasionally but it is not unprecedented. When you cannot reconstruct an estimate in a report table but you want to do further analysis, you just have to proceed with your own estimate. Include a footnote saying that the estimate in the table cannot be replicated.

I will point out that the tables in this report went through a major revision at one point when the sampling weights were corrected. It is possible that some numbers with the old (incorrect) weights were inadvertently carried forward. Also there were several special tables in this report, and I think this is one of them, that required some special programming (I believe at IIPS) and that made them more vulnerable to error than a table that is standard. I suggest that you just go ahead with your own analysis and a footnote.