
Subject: Re: Change in data values for "Treatment of Diarrhea" indicator?

Posted by [Shireen-DHS](#) on Tue, 20 Oct 2020 19:39:30 GMT

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Hello Sameen,

I think you mean you looked up this indicator on STATcompiler. The current definition for "treatment of diarrhea: taken to health facility" includes all types of treatment except being taken to a traditional healer or traditional practitioner. Older surveys also excluded pharmacy and shops so the Final reports reflect that exclusion and would not match STATcompiler. However, STATcompiler uses the current definition. I computed the indicator using our standardized code from our code library on GitHub. The indicator you are interested in is found in Chapter 10 and specifically in the Stata do file CH_DIAR.do :

https://github.com/DHSProgram/DHS-Indicators-Stata/tree/master/Chap10_CH

When I run the code for the Bangladesh surveys I match STATcompiler so it appears to be correct. You can try this yourself but please read the notes in the main file and the CH_DIAR.do file before running any code. You also need to read our readme file here:

<https://github.com/DHSProgram/DHS-Indicators-Stata>

I see there is a large jump in Bangladesh from 34.2% in 2004 to 71.2% in 2007 but it appears to be calculated correctly.

Thank you.

Best,
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