Subject: Re: MMR & PRMRatio (pregnancy related mortality ratio)
Posted by Bridgette-DHS on Mon, 09 Nov 2020 12:41:48 GMT
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Following is a response from DHS Research & Data Analysis Director, Tom Pullum:

The "micro.dta" file has one record for each sibling in the sibling histories. It's analogous to the BR file, which has one record for each child in the birth histories. It's built into the program mainly for data quality checking and simple tabulations. If you want to use it for data analysis, you need to take into account that there tends to be some rounding (and probably displacement) in ages of siblings, years since death, and age at death (for those who died). There may be some omission, especially for siblings who were much older than the respondent and died when young. And characteristics of the respondent, such as level of education and use of health services, cannot safely be attributed to the sibling. These are the reasons why DHS doesn't recommend estimating adult and maternal mortality for earlier time periods and subpopulations. Even so, you may find the file useful. You can add the respondent's IR variables onto micro.dta using v001 v002 v003 and a normal merge command.