Subject: Re: Madagascar, DRC PCR data
Posted by Bridgette-DHS on Mon, 07 Dec 2020 19:36:51 GMT
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Following is a response from DHS Lead Malaria Research Analyst, Cameron Taylor:

Thanks for your question. Just to make sure I am understanding correctly you are asking about the following surveys (CD_2013; MD_2013; MD_2016). Just to clarify CD_2013 is Congo Democratic Republic and not Côte d'Ivoire. Yes you are correct both of these surveys included PCR testing, since these are survey specific additions they are not part of the large recode effort of IPUMS. The PCR testing in DRC was conducted by UNC-Chapel Hill and the PCR testing as part of the 2013 and 2016 MD MIS surveys was done by Institute Pasteur in Antananarivo. The PCR testing was not done by biomarker technicians trained by DHS Program employees. Since these were analyzed by outside groups we don't have this data readily available in the recode files. We are working behind the scenes to find this data and potentially make it available, however, this will take some time. I will follow up with an email to explain in more detail.