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Subject: Re: Still births-infant mortality

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

Yes, you can use b6 or b7 (b7 is easier) for under-five deaths. I thought you were mainly interested in stillbirths and neonatal deaths (for which b7=0). That's why I didn't refer to b6 or b7. The DHS staff cannot help you to set up the model.

The Philippines 2017 DHS did not include a calendar. The Guide to DHS Statistics describes how to calculate the perinatal mortality rate without a calendar. You need to use the IR file to get at stillbirths--they do not appear in the KR or BR files.