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Subject: Re: Calculating pregnancy related maternal mortality by year using ETHIOPIA DHSs 2000-2016

Posted by [Bridgette-DHS](#) on Fri, 12 Mar 2021 12:54:45 GMT

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

The GitHub Stata program can be accessed here:

[https://github.com/DHSProgram/DHS-Indicators-Stata/tree/master/Chap16\\_AM](https://github.com/DHSProgram/DHS-Indicators-Stata/tree/master/Chap16_AM). To use it, you should first look at this page: <https://github.com/DHSProgram/DHS-Indicators-Stata>.

You may be able to adapt that program to different time intervals--your Stata skills appear to be excellent. The GitHub program is a modification of a more general program I wrote several years ago. I believe it is set up for a specific reference period, the 7 years (84 months) before the survey. However, if you look at the code, you should be able to locate two variables that specify the reference period for the estimates in century month codes (cmc). Look for "lcmc" and "ucmc" (for lower and upper cmc of the reference period). They can be specified with either a "calendar years" or "years ago" definition of the reference period.

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