Subject: Re: Vaccination in 2015 and 2016, DHS2020 Rwanda Posted by Janet-DHS on Mon, 19 Sep 2022 20:28:35 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

Following is a response from DHS staff member Tom Pullum:

I opened the KR file for 2020 and entered "tab hw1 h1". (hw1 is months since birth and h1 is "has card".) This table only goes out to 35 months. I looked at the questionnaire, and see that the question about a card goes back to 2016. I looked at a few other surveys and see the same thing.

I should have known this, but didn't. Apparently it is normal for the immunization data to be collected for all children born in the past 5 years, but during data processing to be dropped for children older than age 2. The standard indicators are limited to children age 2 (24-35 months). I suspect that the reason for dropping the older children's immunization data is that it becomes increasingly likely that the immunization card cannot be found and the quality of the data deteriorates.

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