Subject: Re: Stillbirth calculation for Philippines
Posted by Janet-DHS on Fri, 28 Oct 2022 16:56:44 GMT

Following is a response from DHS staff member Tom Pullum:

You are probably asking about the 2017 survey. The survey did not include a calendar, but did include pregnancy history, and you can use that to identify stillbirths in the past five years. Open the IR file in Stata and enter "describe s21*_01". The variables are indexed for pregnancies 01 through 20. The variable for outcome (for pregnancy 01) is s211c_01, and stillbirths have code 2. Here is the label:

. label list S211C_01
S211C_01:
          1 born alive
          2 born dead
          3 lost before full term

It is actually much easier to work with a pregnancy history than a calendar, and pregnancy histories are being added to DHS-8 surveys.