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Subject: Re: Out of Pocket Expenditure for Delivery Care  
Posted by [Bridgette-DHS](#) on Tue, 28 Mar 2023 13:14:40 GMT  
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Following is a response from Senior DHS staff member, Tom Pullum:

I am uploading separate Stata programs for table 8.20 in the NFHS-4 and NFHS-5 reports. I believe a version of the program for NFHS-5 was posted earlier. The programs match the n's but do not exactly match the means. The complication with the total expenditure is that sometimes it comes from a stated total and sometimes it has to be calculated from the separate components. There appears to have been a confounding of 0 to mean "no cost" and 0 to mean "not stated" or "don't know". "Don't know" was supposed to be code 99998. The calculation depends on the interpretation of code 0 and code 99998 for the total and the components. I am not confident my interpretation of these codes, but I also am not confident in the original construction, which I do not have. Your approach may be equally good. If anyone out there can match table 8.20 in either report, please let us know.

### File Attachments

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- 1) [NFHS4\\_table\\_8pt20\\_do\\_KR\\_27Mar2023.txt](#), downloaded 140 times
  - 2) [NFHS5\\_table\\_8pt20\\_do\\_KR\\_27Mar2023.txt](#), downloaded 172 times
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