
Subject: Re: Stillbirth calculation for Philippines
Posted by [Janet-DHS](#) on Thu, 30 Mar 2023 19:51:18 GMT
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Following is a response from DHS staff member, Tom Pullum:

Again, this post is about a survey in Zambia rather the Philippines.

The following Stata lines count up the number of strings of the two types--B or T preceded by 6 or more P's. I do not include ambiguous strings that overlap the beginning of the calendar. The number of pregnancies you are looking for will be the sum of these two types.

use "...ZMIR71FL.DTA", clear

* for each woman, count up the number of strings of TPPPPPP or BPPPPPP in vcal_1

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gen nT=0
gen nB=0
gen str7 compare="."
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quietly forvalues lcol=1/74 {
  replace compare=substr(vcal_1,`lcol',7)
  replace nT=nT+regexm(compare,"TPPPPPP")
  replace nB=nB+regexm(compare,"BPPPPPP")
}
```

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drop compare
tab nB nT
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