
Subject: Re: Household member record

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Dear User,

Are you asking about a specific country?

Here is an overview of our Standard DHS Questionnaires (from our website)

<http://www.measuredhs.com/What-We-Do/Survey-Types/DHS-Questionnaires.cfm>

DHS Questionnaires Overview

Most country surveys collect information on basic demographic and health topics. The Core Questionnaires for MEASURE DHS emphasizes basic indicators and flexibility. In a majority of DHS surveys eligible individuals include women of reproductive age (15-49) and men age (15-59), or in some cases (15-54). In some countries only women are interviewed. Individual questionnaires include information on marriage, fertility, family planning, reproductive health, child health, and HIV/AIDS.

Each survey is different, with questions that diverge from the standard. The questionnaires used in one country, while containing essentially the same information, may be different in many ways from those used in another country. It is also important to understand that model questionnaires change frequently over time. For example, the DHS questionnaires have changed significantly since the first phase (DHS I). As a result, the model questionnaire has changed with each MEASURE DHS phase.

It was also recognized that some countries have a need for special information on topics that are not contained in the core questionnaires. To accommodate this need and to achieve some level of comparability across countries that applied them, optional Questionnaire Modules were developed on a series of topics.

You will find many answers to your questions in The Guide to DHS Statistics

http://www.measuredhs.com/pubs/pdf/DHSG1/Guide_to_DHS_Statistics_29Oct2012_DHSG1.pdf

and the Standard Recode Manual

http://www.measuredhs.com/pubs/pdf/DHSG4/Recode6_DHS_22March2013_DHSG4.pdf
