
Subject: Re: Feeding Practices Question
Posted by [Liz-DHS](#) on Fri, 30 Oct 2015 16:48:56 GMT
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Dear User,

We consulted our nutrition expert, Dr. Monica Kothari,

Quote:

Please note that IYCF questions are asked only for the youngest child living with the mother who is less than 2 years old.

Therefore, you can only get the dietary intake response for one child in the family, who is the youngest, and living with the mother.

- There are standard dietary recode variables in DHS (please see attached), but we always recommend to review the country questionnaire food list and see if all the food items have been captured in the recode. Also, if a dietary food item is not asked in the standard DHS way, it gets recoded as a country specific code and for analysis you want to make sure that you have included that in the analysis.
- In old DHS surveys, meat, fish, and eggs were asked in the same question so they cannot be separated in the analysis. If the user is looking at the old Kenya survey then they cannot be separated. In the recent DHS surveys eggs, organ meats, and other meats have a separate recode.

Once again it is highly recommended to review the dietary questions asked in the country before the analysis.

Mr. Nouredine adds:

Quote:there is no flag for the child to which these nutrition variables pertain

Please let us know if more clarification is needed.

Thank you!
