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Subject: Maternal Mortality

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Hi There,

I am trying to replicate the DHS numbers for maternal mortality rate in Indonesia for 2012. I am following the instructions given in the [http://dhsprogram.com/pubs/pdf/DHSG1/Guide\\_to\\_DHS\\_Statistics\\_29Oct2012\\_DHSG1.pdf](http://dhsprogram.com/pubs/pdf/DHSG1/Guide_to_DHS_Statistics_29Oct2012_DHSG1.pdf) However, I am not able to get the same number of maternal deaths by age groups. To calculate the age groups I am using the sister's age at death, while to calculate the period of death I am using the difference between the date of death and date of interview, truncating it to a difference of 60 (given the dates CMC format). Although the total is similar, it should be the same and the age groups distribution as well differs greatly.

	DHS	My calculation
15-19	4	7
20-24	12	10
25-29	20	18
30-34	17	17
35-39	18	21
40-44	14	13
45-49	7	7
Total	92	93

Is there any rescaling or weight factor I need to use? Is the death period correctly specified?

Thanks for any help.

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