
Subject: Maternal and child health indicators by background characteristics

Posted by [DHSuser_NY](#) on Mon, 02 May 2022 23:03:20 GMT

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Hi,

Does anyone know if API can generate MCH indicators by background characteristics? I have specified background= all, but the code below only gives me totals for births in the past 2,3 or 5 years. Below is a frequency of the byvariableid. Thanks for your help.

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import delimited using ///
" http://api.dhsprogram.com/rest/dhs/data?surveyYearStart=2006
&surveyYearEnd=2010&breakdown=all&indicatorIds=M
L_IPTP_W_2SA,ML_IPTP_W_3SA,RH_ANCT_W_TL4,HA_CATH_W_NRS,HA_CA
TH_W_ATR,HA_CATH_W_ATN&&scl=1000,3001,3002,4000,4001
,4002,4003,5001,5002&selectSurveys=latest&returnfiel
ds=surveyId,DHS_CountryCode,CountryName,SurveyYear,SurveyYea
rLabel,SurveyType,FieldworkStart,FieldworkEnd,indicator,Indi
catorID,value,IndicatorData,Footnotes,ByVariableId,shortname &f=csv", clear
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ByVariableId	Freq.	Percent	Cum.
0	473	49.22	49.22
14000	163	16.96	66.18
14001	164	17.07	83.25
14002	161	16.75	100.00
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Total	961	100.00	

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Posted by [Trevor-DHS](#) on Tue, 03 May 2022 01:56:56 GMT

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You didn't include the background characteristics in the return fields list, so you can't tell which record is which characteristic.

In the example attached I remove the returnfield list so that all columns are returned and you can see the characteristics.

File Attachments

1) [test.do](#), downloaded 284 times

Subject: Re: Maternal and child health indicators by background characteristics
Posted by [DHSuser_NY](#) on Tue, 03 May 2022 12:52:13 GMT

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Hi Trevor,

I see. This is a huge help!

Many thanks,
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