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Subject: Infant and child mortality

Posted by [shiru](#) on Wed, 24 Apr 2013 08:02:19 GMT

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Hi,

I am wondering how to measure the infant and child mortality from DHS data set.

It would be so nice if I know the step-wise instruction to calculate the infant and child mortality from DHS data set, especially NDHS (2011).

Thank you.

Madhu

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Subject: Re: Infant and child mortality

Posted by [Liz-DHS](#) on Mon, 06 May 2013 14:55:14 GMT

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Dear User,

You may want to access the following resources to help you in your analysis:

The Guide to DHS Statistics <http://www.measuredhs.com/publications/publication-dhsg1-dhs-questionnaires-and-manuals.cfm> and the Standard Recode Manual

[http://www.measuredhs.com/pubs/pdf/DHSG4/Recode6\\_DHS\\_22March 2013\\_DHSG4.pdf](http://www.measuredhs.com/pubs/pdf/DHSG4/Recode6_DHS_22March 2013_DHSG4.pdf)

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Subject: Re: Infant and child mortality

Posted by [shiru](#) on Mon, 02 Mar 2015 13:46:19 GMT

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thank you!

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Subject: Re: Infant and child mortality

Posted by [sunnybright](#) on Mon, 16 May 2016 14:35:21 GMT

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Hello,

I have been having challenges getting proxy variable to measure trends in under five Mortality, which variable in DHS can I use, in each data set 1998, 2003, 2008 and 2013 DHS

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Subject: Re: Infant and child mortality

Posted by [Reduced-For\(u\)m](#) on Mon, 16 May 2016 23:41:08 GMT

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What do you mean by a "proxy variable to measure trends"?

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Subject: Re: Infant and child mortality  
Posted by [sunnybright](#) on Tue, 17 May 2016 08:21:49 GMT  
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what I mean by proxy variable is that which variable or very close variable in DHS can I use to measure under 5 mortality. or which variable did DHS used in their report to measure trend in U5M.

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Subject: Re: Infant and child mortality  
Posted by [Reduced-For\(u\)m](#) on Wed, 18 May 2016 00:35:43 GMT  
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They calculate it - it isn't a proxy, it is an estimate.

There are instructions here on pages 90-94 (as Trevor mentioned in another thread):  
[http://www.dhsprogram.com/pubs/pdf/DHSG1/Guide\\_to\\_DHS\\_Statistics\\_29Oct2012\\_DHSG1.pdf#page=97](http://www.dhsprogram.com/pubs/pdf/DHSG1/Guide_to_DHS_Statistics_29Oct2012_DHSG1.pdf#page=97)

There is also information here: <http://dhsprogram.com/pubs/pdf/fr175/08chapter08.pdf>

There is also another method that I outlined here:  
<http://userforum.dhsprogram.com/index.php?t=msg&th=142&amp;start=0&S=8019308c0b1fe335aae675a1ce57d3bb>

So there isn't a "variable" that is U5 mortality, it is something you have to estimate from the birth history data - essentially, you can see how many children were born, and how many survived to age 5. It is a bit complicated to do it exactly as the DHS does, but you should be able to follow the instructions on the Guide to Statistics I linked above, or the version that I describe in the other thread. If you have specific questions after that, I can try to help, but in general you should start with those resources.

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Subject: Re: Infant and child mortality  
Posted by [Olayemi Cate](#) on Wed, 13 Jul 2016 13:21:19 GMT  
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Hello

i have been having challenges in getting Pediatrics lower respiratory tract infection dataset with some variable

i would appreciate it if i can get assistance on this

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Subject: Re: Infant and child mortality  
Posted by [Liz-DHS](#) on Wed, 13 Jul 2016 13:29:49 GMT  
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Dear User,

Let's start by finding out which survey and dataset you are using. Next, can you please be more specific about what you are trying to accomplish? Are you trying to replicate a table in a final report? Here are some resources to help: The Guide to DHS Statistics <http://www.dhsprogram.com/publications/publication-dhsg1-dhs-questionnaires-and-manuals.cfm>, The Standard Recode Manual <http://www.dhsprogram.com/publications/publication-dhsg4-dhs-questionnaires-and-manuals.cfm> and the section on our website Using Datasets for Analysis <http://www.dhsprogram.com/data/Using-Datasets-for-Analysis.cfm> Please review and if you have additional questions, please feel free to post again. Thank you!

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Subject: Re: Infant and child mortality

Posted by [Mikovirgoez](#) on Thu, 17 Nov 2016 03:31:31 GMT

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Thanks :)

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