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Subject: Choosing men's age for DHS

Posted by [Ray Diaz](#) on Thu, 04 Jun 2015 20:32:15 GMT

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Hello. Need an answer on this. In the Dominican Republic's DHS, men from ages 15-59 are chosen to participate in the Survey. I understand why Measure DHS chooses women 15-49 years of age; but my question is, why choosing men between 15-59?

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Subject: Re: Choosing men's age for DHS

Posted by [Liz-DHS](#) on Fri, 05 Jun 2015 02:01:05 GMT

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Dear User,

Here is a response from one of our experts, Trevor Croft:

Quote:Men are included up to a higher age than women as men are more likely to be able to reproduce at a higher age than women and there is often an age gap between men and women, so the family planning and HIV related questions are relevant at higher ages.

In the past we have used upper limits of age 59 or 64 or 54, depending on the country, and often at the country's request. However we find that collecting data for men beyond age 49 yields relatively little additional information than is obtained by only interviewing men up to age 49, so the DHS7 standard questionnaire now uses an age range for men of 15-49 as for women.

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Subject: Re: Choosing men's age for DHS

Posted by [Ray Diaz](#) on Fri, 05 Jun 2015 03:18:18 GMT

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Thank you for your quick response.

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