
Subject: number of live births for the past 5 years prior to the DHS

Posted by [rkinoshita](#) on Wed, 09 Oct 2013 14:54:42 GMT

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Hi.

I am using DHS Nicaragua data and noticed some discrepancy in the N. of live births in the report, v.s. what I got from my analysis.

I am using the original data set of babies and women, without using weighting for now.

the report says there were data on 6774 live births in the baby dataset- this is since 2006 (5 years prior to the survey)

I used the variable QW224A which is the year of birth, and filtered for the births which are later than 2006 on. I am having too many births now. I also checked other variables and it seems like "was your baby weight at birth?" this question has similar number to the number that we have in the report although there are still too many.

How do you calculate the number of live births over the past 5 years in the standard DHS?

thanks

Rinko

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Orden de nacimientos	Freq.	Percent	Cum.
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1	3,026	34.92	34.92
2	2,475	28.56	63.48
3	1,383	15.96	79.44
4	770	8.89	88.32
5	408	4.71	93.03
6	235	2.71	95.74
7	158	1.82	97.57
8	91	1.05	98.62
9	55	0.63	99.25
10	39	0.45	99.70
11	14	0.16	99.86
12	7	0.08	99.94
13	2	0.02	99.97
14	1	0.01	99.98
16	2	0.02	100.00
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Total	8,666	100.00	

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	Freq.	Percent	Cum.
1	6,923	90.41	90.41
2	674	8.80	99.22
9	60	0.78	100.00
Total	7,657	100.00	

Subject: Re: number of live births for the past 5 years prior to the DHS
Posted by [Liz-DHS](#) on Wed, 30 Oct 2013 20:57:47 GMT
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Dear User,
Can you please be more specific as to which table from the Nicaragua DHS you are trying to replicate? Is it from the most recent DHS 2011?
Thank you!