
Subject: STATA recode for assistance during delivery SLDHS

Posted by [Mlue](#) on Fri, 10 Feb 2017 17:36:20 GMT

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Hi there, I'm using the Sierra Leone DHS 2013 data. I have been trying to recode a variable that will give me the same results as in Table 9.6 and Figure 9.1 of SLDHS 2013.

Could someone please let me know how this variable (Assistance during delivery / Skilled birth attendant) is derived from DHS data using stata.

Subject: Re: STATA recode for assistance during delivery SLDHS

Posted by [Liz-DHS](#) on Fri, 10 Feb 2017 18:01:04 GMT

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Dear User,

The delivery care recode variables are included in M3A-N. Please refer to The Standard Recode Manual on our website <http://dhsprogram.com/publications/publication-DHSG4-DHS-Questionnaires-and-Manuals.cfm>. There is also a portion on Delivery Care in The Guide to DHS Statistics <http://www.dhsprogram.com/publications/publication-dhsg1-dhs-questionnaires-and-manuals.cfm>. For assistance with Stata code please refer to http://www.cpc.unc.edu/research/tools/data_analysis/statatutorial

Thank you!

Subject: Re: STATA recode for assistance during delivery SLDHS

Posted by [Mlue](#) on Sat, 11 Feb 2017 07:27:46 GMT

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Does anyone have an example of a STATA dofile for this?

The variables come in the form:

1. Assistance: doctor = m3a_1, m2a_2, etc... and nurses, mch aide, come in the same manner

Subject: Re: STATA recode for assistance during delivery SLDHS

Posted by [Mlue](#) on Fri, 17 Feb 2017 07:56:45 GMT

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Hi Liz,

I figured it out... I was using the wrong dataset and wrong Stata commands/syntaxes.

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**** DEMOGRAPHIC AND HEALTH SURVEY DATA**

```
/*  
  A stata code (do file) to compute skilled birth attendant from DHS data  
*/
```

*** YEAR = 2013

** SKILLED BIRTH ATTENDANTS (SBA)

** WEIGHT VARIABLE

gen weight = v005/1000000

** SURVEY SET

gen psu = v021

gen strata = v022

svyset psu [pw = weight], strata(strata) vce(linearized)

keep if v208 !=0 & v208 !=.

```
*=====
```

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** DROP IF NOT WITHIN SAMPLE

qui regr m3a m3b m3c if v208 >0 & v208 !=. [pw=weight]

drop if e(sample)!=1

// RENAME

rename v190 wealth

rename v025 residence

rename v024 region

// GENERATING SKILLED BIRTH ATTENDANT - VARIABLE

gen skilled_birth = 0

label define skilled_birth 0"No" 1"Yes"

label var skilled_birth "Birth delivered by skilled birth attendant"

```
label val skilled_birth skilled_birth
```

```
** SKILLED BIRTH ATTENDANTS
```

```
foreach xvar of varlist m3a m3b m3c {  
  replace skilled_birth=1 if `xvar'==1  
}
```

```
// CHECK - [Yes = Percentage delivered by a skilled provider]
```

```
svy: tab region skilled_birth, percent format(%4.1f) row
```

```
svy: tab region skilled_birth, count format(%4.0f) miss
```

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