
Subject: Antenatal visit with skilled providers (Ethiopian DHS 2000, 2005, 2011 AND 2016))

Posted by [id709nvz](#) on Fri, 02 Oct 2020 16:35:09 GMT

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Dear members,

I would like to create sought antenatal healthcare visit in the combined IR file of ETHIOPIAN DHS (2000, 2005, 2011 and 2016). I used the following loop in Stata.

**sought anc from trained providers (ANC from a skilled provider)

```
gen ancs=0 if birth5==1
foreach x in a b c d e {
replace ancs=1 if m2`x'_1==1
}
lab var ancs "ANC from a skilled provider"
```

But I notice that in 2000, 2005, prenatal with doctors, nurses/midwives do not exist. What would be the most appropriate way to get ANC with trained professionals in the pooled IR file. I tried using only ANC with health officers which exist for all survey, but I want other trained professionals.

thank you in advance.

Subject: Re: Antenatal visit with skilled providers (Ethiopian DHS 2000, 2005, 2011 AND 2016))

Posted by [Bridgette-DHS](#) on Wed, 07 Oct 2020 11:49:21 GMT

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Following is a response from DHS Research & Data Analysis Director, Tom Pullum:

In general, and in many specific countries, the codes for some variables have evolved. There are unavoidable discontinuities in trends when this happens. I suggest that you simply present the trend from 2000 to 2005 with the categories you have for those years, and the trend from 2011 to 2016 with the categories you have for those years. There will be a break between 2005 and 2011 and you just do what you can to bridge those two surveys. In the text and/or in a footnote you would say why there is a discontinuity. Other users may have other suggestions.
