

DATABASE SPOTLIGHT

DEMOGRAPHIC AND HEALTH SURVEYS (DHS)

<https://dhsprogram.com/>

The Demographic and Health Surveys Program

The Demographic and Health Surveys (DHS) Program is a comprehensive, internationally recognized project that collects data on population, health, HIV, and nutrition from over 90 countries. It is funded by the United States Agency for International Development (USAID) and is implemented by ICF, a global consulting services company.

The Data:

Collected using nationally representative population-based surveys, typically every 5 years, that include:

- Maternal and child health
- Family planning
- Fertility
- Nutrition
- HIV/AIDS prevalence
- Malaria

Accessing and Exploring the Data:

Steps for analyzing the data

Step 1: Select surveys for analysis

Step 2: Review questionnaires

Step 3: Register for dataset access

Step 4: Download datasets

Step 5: Open your dataset

Step 6: Get to know your variables

Step 7: Use sample weights

Step 8: Consider special values

Explore DHS Data by Topic:



Explore DHS Data by Country:

Select the country of interest
-View Surveys, Publications, and
Datasets

Helpful Resources:

- DHS Program Overview:
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=abP6xeb50Do>
- Dataset Naming Convention:
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=puCCqGU71uM>
- DHS 1st Time Registration for Dataset Access:
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YA8vRb0UU7E&t>
- DHS Dataset Downloads:
<https://dhsprogram.com/data/available-datasets.cfm>

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