

Country Support Work

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Stages of Process

- Design of census questionnaire
 - Need to measure both fertility and mortality
- Interviewer training
- Enumeration
- Data processing and editing
- Data analysis:
 - Evaluation and adjustment
 - Special issues for sub-national estimates
- Publication

Design of census questionnaire

- Countries have used many different formats, some useless; guidance needed
- Choice of reference period:
 - Last 12 months or since some notable event?
- Where to put the questions on form?
- Need name, age, sex of deceased (must be deaths at all ages)
- One question about timing or three?
- Add question about death from injury?

Data Analysis: Evaluation and Adjustment

- Steps:
 - Evaluate coverage of adult (female) deaths using death distribution methods (or face validity?)
 - Assess plausibility of proportion of deaths pregnancy-related (no formal methods)
 - Evaluate information on fertility
 - Adjust as necessary
- Problems:
 - Though methods are standard, and lend themselves to spreadsheets, interpretation is not standard
 - **Special issues for sub-national estimates**: dealing with migration (no standard methods)

Likely Demand

- We assume that about 30 to 40 countries will actually use the methodology
- Roughly equal numbers in Latin America, anglophone Africa, francophone Africa, South Asia/Central Asia, East Asia and Pacific
- Roughly between 6 and 8 countries per region

Mechanisms

- Regional workshops of 3 to 4 countries
 - 2-3 persons per country
 - One week training
- **IMPACT/HIGH** partnership
 - Training of trainers
 - Manuals (update Evaluation Project materials?)
 - Computer-assisted learning package
 - Judgment?

Constraints

- Getting appropriate country collaborators
- Training workshops
- Censuses staggered in time

Opportunities

- Use of intercensal (large sample) enquiries
- Combine new results with archived census data (eg ACAP)