Assessment of Sudan Household Health Survey Data, 2010

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Introduction

Accuracy of reporting dates and ages is important

inclusion in surveys depends on the age given

Appraising surveys data is critical for estimates reliability

Objectives

This paper aims to assess

The quality of women's age data

The children's age information

The quality of anthropometric data of < 5 children

Method

Myer's Index

The year birth ratio

% distribution of children in single month

% distribution of children weight and height measures

Results

- Year birth ratio for 5th year was103%
- Sixth year birth ratio was 102%

Number of Births By Calendar Years Preceding the Survey, Figure 3 **Sudan Household Health Survey, 2010** ## 2000 οĘ Number Years precerding the survey

Figure 5 Distribution of Number of Children by Child's Age in Single Months for Children aged 0-59 Months, SHHS, 2010

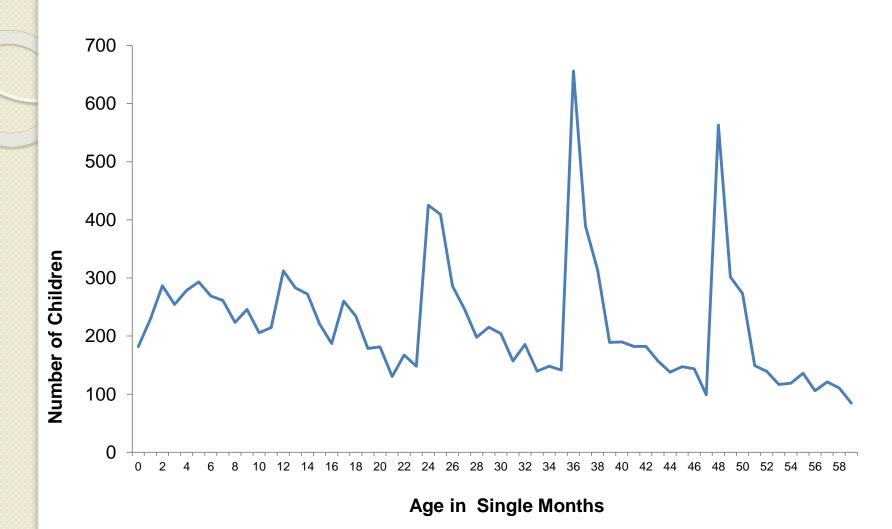
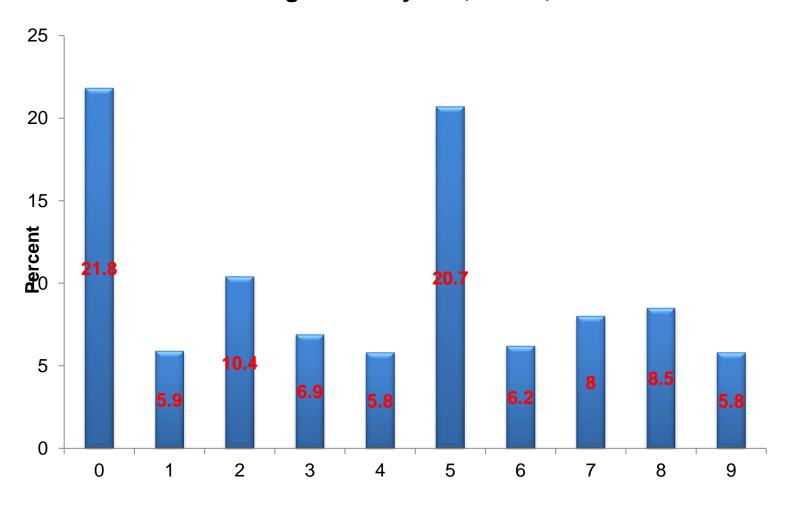


Figure 6 Percent Distribution of Number of Children by Age Groups for Children aged 0-59 months, SHHS,2010 25 20 15 Percent 10 5 0 0-5 6-11 m 48-59 12-23 m 24-35 36-47 **Age Groups in months**

- There is moderate heaping in women ages
- The overall heaping index is 20%.
- 20.6% of women ages ended in '5'
- 19.6% of women ages ended in '0'

Figure 4 Percent Distribution of Final Digits for Women aged 20-39 years, SHHS,2010



Final Digits in Women's age

Figure 7. Percent Distribution of Terminal Decimal Digits in Height Readings, SHHS, 2010

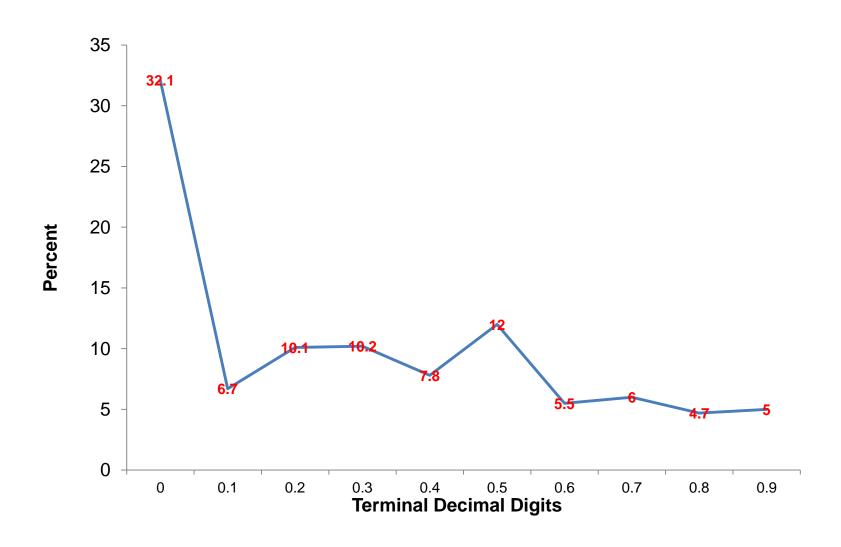
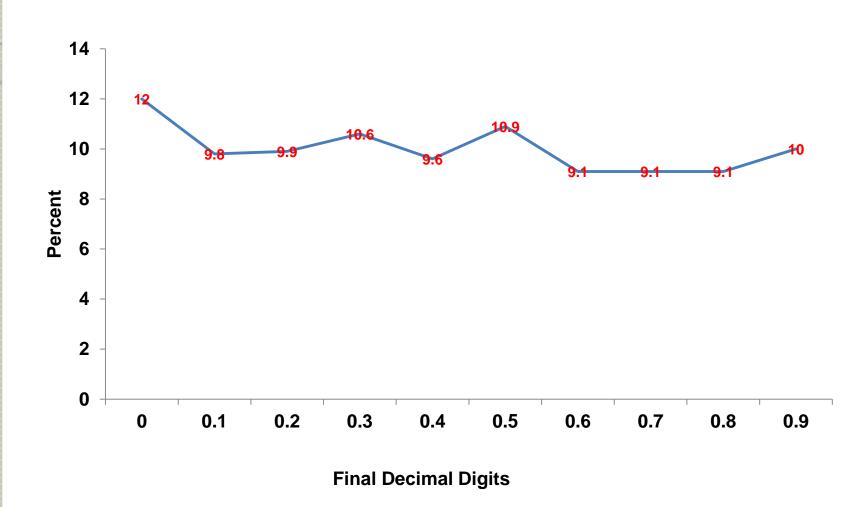


Figure 8 Percent Distribution of Final Decimal Digits in Weight Readings, SHHS, 2010



Conclusion

Assessment of age data shows improvement

Heaping in height data is moderate

No heaping in weight data

Recommendations

Good timing for interview is important

 Advancing new technology saves time and minimizes errors in data

Appraising of surveys data is critical for derived estimates

