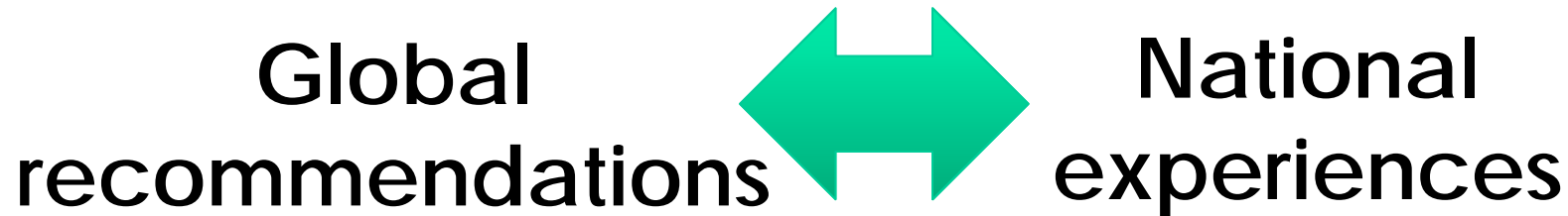




Session 5. Topics and themes to be covered in a vital statistics system



Selection of topics and themes



Topics are included or excluded based on:

- Expected quality of data
- Sensitivity of topic



What is a topic?

Topics are statistical variables describing information on:



- the vital event
- the persons involved in the vital event

Vital events:
live births, deaths, foetal deaths, marriages and divorces

Two levels of priority:

- Core topics
- Additional topics

Another distinction:

- Direct topics 
- Derived topics 



Tabulations are based on topics

Absolute numbers

Suriname, 2013: Live births by sex and urban/rural residence

	Both Sexes	Male	Female
Total	10,012	5,119	4,893
Urban	6,792	3,499	3,293
Rural	3,220	1,620	1,600

Relative indicators

Suriname, 2013: total fertility rate by urban/rural residence

	Both Sexes
Total	2.32
Urban	--
Rural	--

Source: UNSD Database, 25 November 2015



Topics and themes for vital statistics from the civil registration system

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Live births

On the event

- Date of occurrence
- Date of registration
- Place of occurrence
 - Locality of occurrence
 - Urban/rural
- Place of registration
- Type of birth (single, twin, triplet...)
- Attendant at birth

On the newborn

- Sex
- Weight at birth



Topics and themes for vital statistics from the civil registration system

Live births

On the mother

- Date of birth
 - Age
- Marital status
 - Child born in wedlock
- Educational attainment
- Place of usual residence
 - Locality of residence
 - Urban/rural residence
- Duration of residence at usual place
- Place/country of birth
 - Migrant status
- Children born alive to mother during her entire lifetime
 - Birth order or parity
- Foetal deaths to mother during her entire lifetime
- Date of last previous live birth
 - Interval since previous live birth
- Date of marriage
 - Duration of marriage



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Live births

On the father

- Date of birth
- Age
- Marital status
- Educational attainment
- Place of usual residence
 - Locality of residence
 - Urban/rural residence



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Deaths

On the event

- Date of occurrence
- Date of registration
- Place of occurrence
 - Locality of occurrence
 - Urban/rural
- Place of registration
- Cause of death
- Certifier
 - Type of certification

On the decedent

- Date of birth
 - Age
- Sex
- Marital status
- Place of usual residence
- Place of usual residence of the mother (for deaths under 1 year of age)
 - Locality of residence
 - Urban/rural residence



Topics and themes for vital statistics from the civil registration system

Foetal deaths

On the event

- Date of occurrence (of foetal delivery)
- Date of registration
- Place of occurrence
 - Locality of occurrence
 - Urban/rural
- Place of registration

On the foetus

- Sex



Topics and themes for vital statistics from the civil registration system

Foetal deaths

On the mother

- Date of birth

Age

- Children born alive to mother during her entire lifetime

Birth order or parity

- Foetal deaths to mother during her entire lifetime

- Date of last previous live birth

Interval since previous live birth

- Date of marriage

Duration of marriage

- Place of usual residence

Locality of residence

Urban/rural residence



Topics and themes for vital statistics from the civil registration system

Foetal deaths

On the father

- Date of birth

 - Age

- Place of usual residence

 - Locality of residence

 - Urban/rural residence



Topics and themes for vital statistics from the civil registration system

Marriages

On the event

- Date of occurrence
- Date of registration
- Place of occurrence
 - Locality of occurrence
 - Urban/rural
- Place of registration

On the bride and groom (separately)

- Date of birth
 - Age
- Place of usual residence
 - Locality of residence
 - Urban/rural residence



Topics and themes for vital statistics from the civil registration system

Divorces

On the event

- Date of occurrence
- Date of registration
- Place of occurrence
 - Locality of occurrence
 - Urban/rural
- Place of registration

On the divorcees (husband and wife separately)

- Date of birth
 - Age
- Date of marriage
 - Duration of marriage
- Place of usual residence
 - Locality of residence
 - Urban/rural residence



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Topics and themes for vital statistics from censuses and surveys

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Topics and themes for vital statistics from censuses and surveys

For all members of the household

- Relationship to the head
- If mother lives in the same household, identify line number of the questionnaire
- Date of birth
- Survival of parents
- Marital status

For households

- Number of deaths during the previous 12 months
- For each deceased:
 - Name
 - Sex
 - Date of birth
 - Date of death
 - Cause of deaths, whether during pregnancy, childbirth or puerperium



Topics and themes for vital statistics from censuses and surveys

For women aged 15+

- Total number of children ever born alive, by sex
- Total number of children still living, by sex
- Date of birth and sex of last child born alive
- Survival of last child born alive
- Date of death of last child born alive
- Age at first marriage
- Age at first birth
- Duration of marriage