*Note: This PIRS reflects an Accelerator Behavior indicator for which data are readily available through The Demographic and Health Surveys (DHS) Program. The Accelerator Behavior that can be measured using this indicator is shown in the "Name of Result Measured" field below, and can be updated as needed. Data for this indicator are displayed for maternal and child survival priority countries at* [*acceleratorbehaviors.usaid.gov*](https://acceleratorbehaviors.org/index)*. Should a USAID Mission wish to adopt this indicator for its performance monitoring plan, this PIRS should be updated according to the needs of each Mission*.

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| **USAID Performance Indicator Reference Sheet** |
| **Name of Indicator:** Place of delivery: Health facility |
| **Name of Result Measured (DO, IR, sub-IR, Project Purpose, Project Outcome, Project Output, etc.):**  Pregnant women attend a health facility for delivery |
| **Is this a Performance Plan and Report Indicator** No  Yes  for Reporting Year(s) \_\_\_\_\_\_  **If yes, link to Foreign Assistance Framework:** |
| **DESCRIPTION** |
| **Precise Definition(s):** Percentage of live births in the three years preceding the survey delivered at a health facility  Calculated:   * Numerator: Number of live births in the three years preceding the survey delivered at a health facility * Denominator: Total number of live births in the three years preceding the survey |
| **Unit of Measure:** Percentage of live births |
| **Data Type:** Percentage |
| **Disaggregated by:** |
| **Rationale for Indicator** *(optional):*This indicator represents a key behavior known to accelerate reduction of maternal and child mortality (<https://acceleratorbehaviors.org/facility_delivery>). 65% of maternal deaths could be prevented, if all births occurred in health facilities (<https://www.usaid.gov/sites/default/files/documents/1864/MCHVision.pdf>). This is a one-time behavior practiced at each birth. |
| **PLAN FOR DATA COLLECTION BY USAID** |
| **Data Source.** Demographic and Health Survey Program (DHS), indicator ID: RH\_DELP\_C\_DHF. Data are readily available through the DHS Stat Compiler website: <https://www.statcompiler.com/en/>. Secondary source: UNICEF Multiple Indicator Cluster Survey (MICS). |
| **Method of Data Collection and Construction:** DHS Household survey, Woman’s Questionnaire. Available here: <https://dhsprogram.com/publications/publication-dhsq7-dhs-questionnaires-and-manuals.cfm> |
| **Frequency and Timing of Data Acquisition:** Approximately every 5 years |
| **Individual(s) Responsible at USAID:** |
| **TARGETS AND BASELINE** |
| **Baseline Timeframe:** |
| **Rationale for Targets** *(optional):* |
| **DATA QUALITY ISSUES** |
| **Date of Data Quality Assessments and Name(s) of Reviewer(s):** |
| **Date of Future Data Quality Assessments** *(optional)****:*** |
| **Known Data Limitations:**  Validity: Delivering in a facility represents access to preventive and curative services to prevent maternal and child mortality during labor, delivery, and postpartum. However, this assumes the quality of care received at these facilities is adequate. Many facilities in the developing world have limited expertise or equipment and supplies to prevent all deaths during labor and delivery.  Timeliness: DHS survey timing may not align with program cycles and may be too infrequent for planning. However, data from MICS and DHS surveys combined may sufficiently bridge data gaps, as their timing alternates to provide more consistent data. USAID Missions may also wish to incorporate the same DHS questions and methodology into their own population-based surveys to ensure timeliness, though results may not be fully comparable to DHS and MICS. |
| **CHANGES TO INDICATOR** |
| **Changes to Indicator:** |
| **Other Notes** *(optional)***:** |
| **This Sheet Last Updated On:** December 22, 2017 |