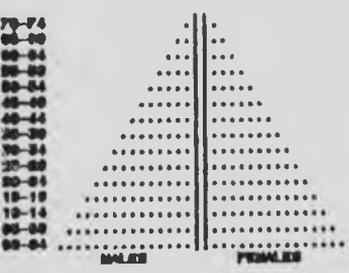


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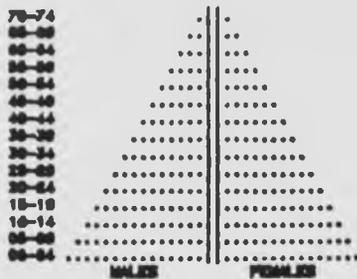
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FOREWORD

The tenth paper in our Working Papers in Demography Series is a Data Report. It is the first report based on a Fertility and Mortality Survey carried out in Mohale's Hoek District. A number of people will find the information provided in this report useful.

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1. Introduction

This is the first report of the Fertility and Mortality Survey carried out in Mohale's Hoek district in 1986 (see Figure 1). It discusses the administrative issues and presents some data on household characteristics. Subsequent reports will present data on detailed household characteristics, fertility and mortality data and related socio-economic characteristics; and the final report will be on the analysis of fertility and mortality in the surveyed areas and the factors that influence these demographic variables in these areas.

2. Aims of the Survey

This survey was aimed at collecting the following data:-

1. General household data related to the characteristics of all members of the household, such as relationship to head of household, age, education occupation, survival of parents and migration status; and data on household characteristics such as food production, cash crop production, livestock keeping, eating habits, housing, water supply, environmental hygiene, family planning and ownership of certain household assets.
2. Information on every female in the household with regard to marital status, childbearing history, family planning, child spacing, breast-feeding, child-care, diseases frequently affecting children and adults, availability and use of health facilities and services, best number of children, source of income and husband's age, tribe, number of wives, religion, occupation and education.

Figure 1. The Administrative Districts of Lesotho.



3. Sampling and Sample Size

Due to time and financial constraints, it was decided to select four villages from the district for the survey. While the original intention of the research group was to select four villages out of the total number of villages found in Mohale's Hoek district using cluster sampling based on an up-dated list of villages in the district kept by the Bureau of Statistics, lack of financial support at the time when we were relatively free from teaching commitments, forced us to start field work in four villages purposefully selected. The criteria for selecting these villages were (1) easy accessibility and (2) distance from the district urban administrative headquarters.

The villages selected were Sefateng, Morifi, Ha Soko and Maphutsaneng. Sefateng was 5kms from Mohale's Hoek town, Morifi and Maphutsaneng were each about 15kms from the district headquarter except that Morifi was 7kms away from the Mohale's Hoek Quthing Highway; and Ha Soko was farthest from the district headquarters (about 30kms).

4. Fieldwork

The survey was carried out from 27th December, 1985 to late February 1986. Visits were made to each village chief before the survey to introduce ourselves and to inform him about the purpose of our intended survey. Then a date for our fieldwork was set and each chief undertook to give us every possible assistance on that date and to give prior briefings about the survey to his subjects before the date of fieldwork.

University students and secondary school students in and around the villages were identified, trained and tested to see whether they could carry out the interviews. Those who past the tests were then retained and utilized in carrying out the household interviews.

Respondents were household heads or their representatives (on characteristics of the household and household members) and all females aged from 15 to 59 years (on marital status, childbearing history, family planning and the like). A structured interview questionnaire was used (Part I for the household head and Part II for the female respondents). A total of 540 households were covered and 489 females aged 15 to 59 years answered the female part of the questionnaire (see Appendix 1 for the questionnaire).

5. Village Population Characteristics

Table 1 Presence and Absence of Members in the Household

<u>Presence</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percentage</u>
Present	2294	80.0
Visitors	33	1.1
Absent (in Lesotho)	225	7.8
Absent (in S.A.)	304	10.5
Absent (elsewhere)	23	0.7
Total	2879	100

Table 2 Population Per Village

<u>Village</u>	<u>Population</u>	<u>Percentage</u>
Sefateng	668	23.2
Morifi	633	21.9
Ha Soko	775	26.9
Maphutsaneng	803	27.8
Total	2879	100

Table 3. Relationship with Head of Household

<u>Relationship</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percentage</u>
Head	516	17.9
Wife	397	13.7
Husband	37	1.2
Child	1489	51.7
Parent	33	1.1
Parent-in-law	26	0.9
Other relatives*	373	12.9
Friend/Other	8	0.2
Total	2879	100

* e.g. grandchild, brother-in-law, brother, sister,
sister-in-law, etc.,

Table 4 Population by Sex

<u>Sex</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percentage</u>
Male	1347	46.7
Female	1547	53.0
Not stated	5	0.2
Total	2879	100

Table 5 Population by Survival of Mother

<u>Survival</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percentage</u>
Yes	2283	79.2
No	587	20.3
N.S.	9	0.3
Total	2879	100

Table 6 Population by Survival of Father

<u>Survival</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percentage</u>
Yes	1750	60.7
No	1118	38.8
N.S.	11	0.4
Total	2879	100

Table 7 Population by Literacy

<u>Literacy</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percentage</u>
Literate	1872	65.0
Illiterate	986	34.2
N.S.	21	0.8
Total	2879	100

Table 8 Population by Education

<u>Level of Education</u> <u>Completed</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percentage</u>
None	894	31.0
Standard 1-4	932	32.3
Standard 5-7	689	23.9
Some Secondary	169	5.8
Secondary and above	131	4.5
N.S.	64	2.5
Total	2879	100

Table 9 Population by Age and Presence of Household Members

<u>Age</u>	<u>Presence of Household Member</u>						Total
	present	visitor	in Lesotho	R.S.A.	Abroad	N.S.	
0-9	682(29.8)	6(18.2)	44(19.6)	5 (1.6)	--	1(16.7)	738(25.7)
10-19	556(24.3)	12(36.4)	43(19.1)	8(2.6)	1(4.5)	1(16.7)	621(21.6)
20-29	316(13.8)	6(18.2)	60(26.7)	87(28.6)	8(36.4)	2(33.3)	479(16.6)
30-39	174(7.6)	4(12.1)	33(14.7)	87(28.6)	4(18.2)	- -	302(10.5)
40-49	132(5.8)	1(3.0)	6(2.7)	41(13.5)	4(18.2)	- -	184(6.4)
50-59	121(5.3)	1(3.0)	3(1.3)	20(6.6)	4(18.2)	- -	149(5.2)
60-69	106(4.6)	- -	5(2.2)	11(3.6)	1 (4.5)	- -	123(4.3)
70-79	51(2.2)	- -	1(0.4)	3(1.0)	- -	- -	55(1.9)
80+	11(0.5)	- -	- -	0 -	- -	- -	11(0.4)
N.S.	138(6.0)	3(9.1)	30(13.3)	42(13.8)	- -	2(33.3)	215(7.5)
Total	2287(100)	33(100)	225(100)	304(100)	22(100)	6(100)	2877(100)

Table 10

Population by Occupation

<u>Occupation</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percentage</u>
No applicable	266	9.2
Professional, Administrative, etc*	104	3.6
Self Employed (Non-Agric)	64	2.2
Self Employed Farmer	176	6.1
Employed rural worker	123	4.2
Looking for work	260	9.0
Not working and not looking for work	450	15.6
Student	683	23.7
Other	469	16.2
Mines	229	7.9
N.S. (19+99)	55	1.8
Total	2879	100

* Including white collar. For example graduates, teachers, medical/health personnel, etc.

Table 11

Population by Location of Employment

<u>Location</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percentage</u>
Not applicable	1861	64.6
Same Village	425	14.7
Maseru	34	1.1
Mohale's Hoek Town	39	1.3
Other town in Lesotho	32	1.1
Other district (rural)	8	0.2
R.S.A.	344	11.9
Other	39	1.3
N.S.	97	3.3

Table 12

Population by Place of Birth

<u>Place of Birth</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percentage</u>
Same locality	1724	59.8
Same district	777	26.9
Elsewhere in Lesotho	235	8.1
R.S.A.	118	4.0
Other African Country	8	0.2
Outside Africa	12	0.3
Total	2879	100

Table 13

Population by Place of Residence in 1966

<u>Place of Residence</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percentage</u>
Not applicable	1425	49.3
Same locality	913	31.7
Same district	360	12.5
Elsewhere in Lesotho	70	2.4
R.S.A.	102	3.5
Other African country	4	0.1
Outside Africa	5	0.1
Total	2879	100

Table 14

Population of Place of Residence in 1976

<u>Place of Residence</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percentage</u>
Not applicable	837	28.9
Same locality	1423	49.4
Same district	410	14.2
Elsewhere in Lesotho	86	2.9
R.S.A.	117	4.0
Other African country	5	0.1
Outside Africa	1	-
Total	2879	100

Table 15 Households by Number of Household Members
Absent

<u>N°. Absent</u>	<u>N°. of Households</u>	<u>Percentage</u>
0	212	39.1
1	215	39.7
2+	113	21.2
Total	540	100

Table 16 Households by Number of Household Members
in R.S.A.

<u>Number Absent</u>	<u>N°. of Households</u>	<u>Percentage</u>
0	281	51.9
1	227	41.8
2+	32	6.3
Total	540	100

Table 17 Households by Presence or Absence of
Household Head

<u>Presence of</u> <u>Household Head</u>	<u>N°. of Households</u>	<u>Percentage</u>
Present	344	63.6
Absent	196	36.4
Total	540	100

Table 18. Households Members by Age and Sex*

Age Group (years)	Sex			
	Male		Female	
	N°.	%	N°.	%
0-14	512	41.2	575	40.6
15-19	135	10.9	134	9.5
20-29	201	16.2	278	19.6
30-39	154	12.4	148	10.4
40-49	91	7.3	93	6.6
50-59	69	5.6	80	5.6
60-69	53	4.3	70	4.9
70-74	16	1.3	24	1.7
75+	12	1.0	15	1.1
Total	1243	100	1417	100

* Only stated cases

Table 19 Household Members by Education and by Sex*

Education	Sex			
	Male		Female	
	N°.	%	N°.	%
None	478	(36.4)	411	(27.5)
Standard 1-4	458	(34.9)	474	(31.7)
Standard 5-7	249	(18.9)	440	(29.4)
Secondary and above	129	(9.8)	171	(11.4)
Total	1314	(100)	1496	(100)

* Excludes not stated and not applicable cases

Table 20

Household Members by Occupation and Sex*

<u>Occupation</u>	<u>Sex</u>			
	<u>Male</u>		<u>Female</u>	
	<u>N°.</u>	<u>%</u>	<u>N°.</u>	<u>%</u>
Professional, Administrative, etc*	54	(4.1)	50	(3.4)
Self-employed non-farm	33	(2.5)	31	(2.1)
Self-employed farmer	59	(4.5)	116	(7.8)
Employed rural worker	77	(5.9)	46	(3.1)
Not working (looking for work)	106	(8.1)	154	(10.4)
Not working (not looking for male)	93	(7.1)	357	(24.2)
Student	315	(23.9)	468	(31.7)
Mines	217	(16.5)	0	(0.00)
Other	224	(17.0)	256	(17.3)
Total	1316	(100)	1478	(100)

* Excludes not stated and not applicable cases

Table 21

Household Members by Age and Place of Employment*

Age	Place of Employment											
	<u>Same Village</u>		<u>Same District</u>		<u>Other District</u>		<u>R.S.A.</u>		<u>Other</u>		<u>Total</u>	
	N°.	%	N°.	%	N°.	%	N°.	%	N°.	%	N°.	%
0-14	67	72.0	3	3.2	4	4.3	6	6.5	13	14.0	93	100
15-19	35	74.5	4	8.5	1	2.1	3	6.4	4	8.5	47	100
20-29	87	37.7	12	5.2	31	13.4	98	42.4	3	1.3	231	100
30-39	56	29.3	7	3.7	19	9.9	105	54.9	4	2.1	191	100
40-49	53	44.9	1	0.8	7	5.9	52	44.1	5	4.2	118	100
50-59	54	60.6	1	1.1	7	7.9	25	28.1	2	2.2	89	100
60-64	15	51.7	3	10.3	1	3.4	7	24.1	3	10.3	29	100
65-74	32	76.2	2	4.8	0	0	7	16.7	1	2.4	42	100
75+	8	80.0	0	0	1	10.0	0	0	1	10.0	10	100

* Only cases with reported employment and age.

Table 22 Household Members by Sex and Relationship to Household Head

Relationship to Head	Sex				Total	
	Male		Female		N°.	%
	N°.	%	N°.	%		
Head	384	74.3	133	25.7	517	100
Wife	0	0	389	100.0	389	100
Husband	32	100.0	0	0	32	100
Child (son or daughter)	755	50.8	732	49.2	1487	100
Parent	5	15.6	27	84.4	32	100
Parent-in-law	5	19.2	21	80.8	26	100
Other relative*	154	41.5	217	58.5	371	100
Friend	5	62.5	3	37.5	8	100

*Aunt, Uncle, Grandchildren, etc.

Table 23 Household Members by Village and by Place of Birth

Place of Birth	Village							
	Sefateng		Morifi		Ha Soko		Maphutsaneng	
	N°.	%	N°.	%	N°.	%	N°.	%
Same locality	352	53.3	433	65.4	453	58.7	485	60.4
Same district	250	37.8	121	18.2	184	23.8	222	27.6
Elsewhere in								
Lesotho	35	5.3	43	6.5	96	12.4	61	7.6
R.S.A.	16	2.4	33	5.0	37	4.8	32	4.0
Other African								
country	2	0.3	1	0.2	2	2.6	3	0.4
Outside Africa	4	0.6	1	0.2	0	0.0	0	0.0
Total	660	100	662	100	772	100	803	100

6. Comments

Data processing took somewhat longer than anticipated due to the fact that only one person was employed to code, key the data into a desk computer and edit the data file. The large number of questionnaires and the lack of sufficient technical knowhow of the person hired to code and edit the data also added to the poor progress of the data processing stage and led to additional errors in the data file (for example it was discovered at an advanced stage of processing the data that in many cases the coder entered codes meant for one variable into a field meant for an entirely different variable. Nevertheless, through painstaking checking a number of errors were removed and the data were made reasonably usable. The results given in the foregoing tables support this conclusion as they are not far different from those given by other surveys.

The distribution of household members by sex indicates that the survey areas had a sex ratio of 88 males per 100 females and this ratio falls between the de jure and de facto population sex ratio for 1986 for the country as a whole (93 for the de jure population and 81 for the de facto population) and for Mphahle's Hoek district (95 for the de jure population and 81 for the de facto population). The proportion with surviving mothers is higher than that with surviving fathers and this is in concurrence with the general expectation of lower female than male mortality and in fact agrees with the 1976 population census and the 1977 Lesotho fertility survey results.

The level of education is higher for females than for males and/^ahigh proportion of the population in age range 20-49 (mainly males) is absent and in the Republic of South Africa. All these aspects of the data agree with observations generally made with regard to the characteristics of the population of Lesotho. Further, a proportion of 4.3 per cent (Table 12) of the population was born outside Lesotho and this agrees with the results from other sources such as the 1978/79 Labour Force and Migration Survey.

Over 60 per cent of the households had at least one member of the household absent (Table 15) and almost 50 per cent of them had at least one member absent and also in the Republic of South Africa. More than a quarter of the households were headed by females and the majority of relatives in the household (other than what would constitute a nuclear family) were females (such as mother, mother-in-law, aunt, etc). Most of the village members were born within the same locality with Sefateng, the village nearest Mohale's Hoek town (the district's major town and its administrative headquarters) recording 53 per cent born in the same locality compared to corresponding proportions of 59, 60 and 65 per cent in Ha Soko, Maphutsaneng and Morifi villages respectively.

The high frequency for cases in the not working categories and the few people recorded as self-employed farmers suggest that farming was regarded by a large number of respondents as not constituting an occupation possibly on the assumption that the type of employment solicited during the interview was only formal employment.

Generally, therefore, it is our hope that whatever the limitations that may be found in our data, many persons will find them useful, especially as yet another source of information reflecting some of the socio-economic characteristics of the population of Lesotho. You are all welcome to the data.

APPENDIX 1

FERTILITY, MORTALITY AND DEVELOPMENT SURVEY

This is a research project of the Demography Unit, Department of Statistics, National University of Lesotho. It is an investigation of family welfare. We are interested in everything about families in Lesotho. The results of the research will be important for social and economic planning. We ask you for very little of your time and the interview is entirely confidential.

PART I

SECTION A: IDENTIFICATION

Code

District:

Village:

Village Chief:

Household Number:

Name of Household Head:

Name of Respondent:

Interviewer:

Date of Interview:

Visit No.:

SECTION B: HOUSEHOLD MEMBERS

No.	Name	Present or Absent	Relationship with Head of Household	Sex 1 M 2 F	Age in completed years	Is Mother alive?	Is Father alive?	Are you eldest living child?	Can you read & write?	Level of education completed	Occupation	Location of Employment	Place of Birth	Place of Residence
						1. Yes 2. No	1. Yes 2. No	1. Yes 2. No	1. Yes 2. No	1. None 2. St.1-4 3. St.5-7 4. Some Secondary 5. Secondary and above or equiv.	1. Professional, Administrative Managerial and white-collar worker (e.g. graduate, salaried teacher, medical personnel etc 2. Self-employed non.Agric. 3- Self-employed farmer 4. Employed rural worker (labourer) 5. Not working (but looking for work) 6. Not working and not looking for work 7. Student 8. Other	1. Not applicable 2. Same village 3. Maseru 4. District Hq. 5. Other town in Lesotho 6. Other District in rural area 7. in RSA 8. Other (specify)	1. Same Locality 2. Same district 3. Elsewhere in Lesotho (specify district) 4. RSA 5. Other African country 6. Outside Africa	1956 Code 1976 Code
1		2	3	4	5	SA	6	7	8	9	11	12	13	14

SECTION C: HOUSEHOLD MORTALITY IN THE LAST 12 MONTHS

No.	Name of the dead person	Relationship with head of household 1. Head 2. Wife 3. Husband 4. Child 5. Parent 6. Parent in law 7. Other relative (specify) 8. Friend	Sex 1. F 2. M	Date of Death		Age at Death in		Cause of Death (write cause of death down)
				Month	Year	completed months if 24 months or less	completed years if more than 24 months	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9

SECTION D: AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTION OF HOUSEHOLD

i. (a) How many fields do you have?

Write down the number and use code 9 for 9 or more fields.

(b) If you have fields, what is the size of your field(s) in acres?

Use code 99 for 99 or more acres.

(c) If you have no field, do you practise share-cropping?

1. Yes
2. No

(d) If no, how do you get food for your family?

2. Provide the following about crops grown:

Crop	Acreage	No. of persons providing labour in family				Hired labour per year (number)				Implements used	Fertilizers used (give amount in bags)	Other inputs e.g. insecticides (Amount in Maloti spent)	Amount consumed Last Year (in bags)	Amount sold Last Year (in bags)	Amount harvested Last Year (in bags)
		Adults		Children		Adults		Children							
		M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F						
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16

(a) Is the food that you produce from your farm sufficient for your family?

1. Yes
2. No

(b) If no, how do you make up for the rest?

Probe and write down:

(c) Did you produce enough food to satisfy your household during the last agricultural year?

1. Yes
2. No

(d) If no, how did you manage to get supplementary food?

Probe and write down:

4. What is your main source of income?

Probe and write down:

5. We are given to understand that in this village, many people have an extra income from the sale of either local beer or a small business or occasional services.

(a) Do you have such an extra income?

1. Yes
2. No

(b) If Yes, from what source?

Probe and write down.

SECTION E: LIVESTOCK

1. (a) Are you keeping livestock?

- 1. Yes
- 2. No

(b) if Yes, provide the following about livestock:

Type of Livestock	Number looked after	Number of persons providing labour in family				Hired labour per year (number)	Inputs, e.g. cattle-feed (give amount in Maloti)	Number slaughtered for food	Number Sold		Number lost or given away	Number given away	
		Children		Adults					No.	Where sold			Price
		M	F	M	F								
1	2	3A	3B	3C	3D	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Cattle													
Goats													
Sheep													
Pigs													
Rabbits													
Poultry													
Other (specify)													
Horses													
Donkeys													
Mules													

SECTION F: EATING HABITS

a) What is the main staple food in your household? Probe and writedown:

(b) How many meals do you have per day?

- i. in the morning
- ii. in the afternoon
- iii. in the evening

(c) What is your eating arrangement? Probe and writedown:

(d) What foods, according to custom and taboo, don't you give to each of the following and why?

- i. Children: Type..... Reason(s)
- ii. Women in general: Type..... Reason(s).....
- iii. Pregnant and Nursing mothers: Type..... Reason(s):.....
- iv. Men: Type:..... Reason(s):.....

(e) If there are children who are attending school, do they eat before leaving the house in the morning?

- 1. Yes
- 2. No

(f) If Yes, is it:

- 1. Tea/Porridge
- 2. Left-overs from previous night's meal
- 3. Other (specify)

(g) Do your children get meals at school?

- 1. Yes
- 2. No

(h) If yes, what do they have for meals at school?

Probe and write down:

(i) Do you give the following foods to your children?

If yes, how often?

TYPE OF FOOD	1. Yes 2. No	If Yes, How often? (e.g. once a week)
Motoho/Lesheleshele*		
Fish		
Milk		
Eggs		
Chicken		
Beans		
Vegetables		
Fruits		

* Types of Porridge

SECTION G: HOUSING, WATER SUPPLY AND ENVIRONMENTAL HYGIENE

1. (a) What is your house made of?

i. Walls

ii. Roof

iii. Floor

(b) How many rooms does your family have?

Use code 9 for 9 or more

(c) Apart from the house where your family lives, do you have other houses?

1. Yes

2. No

(d) If Yes, how many?
Use code 9 for 9 or more houses

(e) Where are they located?
1. Same village

2. Another village, same district

3. District town

4. Other (specify):

(f) Do you rent any of these houses to other people?
1. Yes

2. No

(g) If Yes, how much do you earn in terms of rent per month?
.....
Use code 999 for 999 or more Rands (Maloti)

(h) Do you or any member of your household have any of the following?

1. Yes

2. No

1. Bicycle

2. Motor bike

3. Motor vehicle

4. Tractor

5. Radio

6. Record player/
cassette player

(i) What is the source of water for domestic use?

1. Water tap in house/courtyard
2. Communal water tap
3. Borehole
4. Communal well
5. Pond
6. River/stream

(j) What is the distance of this source from home (in kms)

Use Code 20 for 20 or more kms

(k) Do you boil your drinking water?

1. Yes
2. No

(l) Where do you store your drinking water?

1. In a pot/container set aside for drinking water in a cool place.
2. In some containers as those for storing water for other purposes.
3. Other (specify)

(m) Does your household have access to a toilet?

1. Yes
2. No

(n) Where do you throw the garbage?

1. Near the house
2. In the field a distance from the house
3. Far away from the house
4. Other (specify)

SECTION H: CHILD SPACING

1. (a) Nowadays some people do things or use something to keep from getting pregnant when they want to space children or postpone a pregnancy. This is called family planning. Have you ever heard of this?

1. Yes

2. No

- (b) If Yes, from where or whom did you get this information?
Probe and write down:

2. What methods of family planning do you know about?
(What are some of the things people can use to keep from getting pregnant when they do not want to have a baby?)

3. (a) Do you use any of these methods?

1. Yes

2. No

- (b) If Yes, which ones?
Probe and write down:

4. What is your opinion about the use of family planning to keep from getting pregnant? Do you disapprove or approve of people doing this or would you say you are neutral (neither approve or disapprove).

Probe and write down: (This includes rhythm method).

1. Approve (no restrictions)

2. Approve (rhythm method only)

3. Neutral

4. Disapprove

Thank you very much for your co-operation. We have now come to the end of the interview.

PART II

(To be completed for every female in the household aged 15-59 years)

SECTION A; IDENTIFICATION

District

Village

Village Chief

Household Number

Name of Household Head

Respondent's Name

Interviewer

Date of Interview Visit No.

SECTION B: ABOUT THE WOMAN HERSELF

1. (a) Please tell me how old you are

(Use indirect approach if advisable)

(b) That means that the year of your birth was (Write in) 19,
and the month and the day

Accuracy of age (to be determined by interviewer)

Accurate can give exact date 1

Probably accurate 2

Estimate made by woman 3

2. What is your religion ?

	Code
Catholic	1
Protestant	2
Moslem	3
Traditional	4
Other (specify)	5.

3. (a) What is your marital status ?

	Code	
Never married	1	Go to Section C
Currently married	2	
Widowed	3	Go to 4
Separated/divorced	4	Go to 4

(b) If currently married, are you living with your husband ?

Yes	1
No	2

(c) If no, how long is it since you were together ?

Probe and write down:

(d) Reasons for living apart.

4. What type of marriage did you have ?

Civil marriage only	1
Christian marriage	2
Moslem marriage	3
Traditional marriage	4
Other (specify)	5

5. What is the date of present marriage ?

Month

Year

6. If married more than once, what is the date of your first marriage?

Month

Year

7. How many times have you been married ?

for 9 or more times use code 9.

SECTION C: FAMILY PLANNING

1. Nowadays people do things or use something to keep from getting pregnant, when you want to space children or to postpone a birth. This is called family planning. Have you ever heard of this ?

Yes, have heard 1

No have-not heard (move to question 5) 2

2. From where or whom did you hear this ?

Probe and write down:

3. What methods of family planning do you know about ?

(What are some of the things people do to keep from getting pregnant when they do not want to have a baby ?

Probe and write down:

4. (a) Do you use any of these methods ?

Yes 1

No 2

- (b) If Yes, which ones?

Probe and write down:

5. What is your opinion about the use of family planning to keep from getting pregnant ? Do you disapprove or approve of people doing this or would you say you are neutral (neither approve or disapprove)?

Probe and write down: (This includes the rhythm method.)

Approve (No restrictions) 1

Approve (rhythm method only) 2

Neutral 3

Disapprove 4

SECTION D Child-Bearing and Birth Spacing

1. (a) The women's child-bearing history

Pregnancy Order	Outcome of pregnancy 1. Live birth 2. Still birth 3. Miscarriage 4. Induced abortion	Date of birth or loss	If born Alive, sex 1. M 2. F	Is Child Still Alive			Where baby born 1. Hospital, health centre, 2. Home 3. Other (specify)	Medical Personnel present at birth of child 1. doctor 2. nurse or mid-wife 3. T.B.A. 4. Other (specify)	Did you or are you breast feeding this child 1. Yes 2. No	How long did you or do you intend to breast feed your child (give your answer in months).	
				If yes where now living	If Dead						
					Date of death	Cause of death					
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12

1. (b) Do you breastfeed when you are pregnant? 1. Yes 2. No.
(c) If no, why?

3. From where do you get the services on family planning?
write down:

2. (a) What do you do or use to space your children now and what did you do in the past?

	present	past
Abstain from sex	1	
Use modern family planning methods	2	
Combine abstinence and modern		
Family planning methods	3	
Use traditional methods	4	
Other (specify)	5	

(b) If you abstain, how long do you abstain on average between successive births?
(give answer in months)
Use code 36 for 36 or more months.

(c) If you use modern family planning methods, what was your aim when you first used family planning?

4. (a) When you first thought of using family planning did you talk about it to your husband?

Yes	1
No	2
Was not married	3 Go to 5(a)

(b) If no, why not?

Probe and write down:

(c) If yes, was he in favour of using it or was he against it?

Favour	1	Indifferent	3
Against	2	Don't Know	4

(d) If he was against why did he not want you to use it ?

Not applicable, was in favour	1
He wants many/more children	2
He believes she would be unfaithful if used it	3
He believes that it is bad for health	4
He believes that it is against religion	5
Not applicable, no husband	6
Applicable, but no answer.	7.

5(a) Which relatives or other persons know that you have been practising family planning ?

Write here and code:

No one	1	Several female relatives	6
Husband only	2	Female friends	7
Mother	3	Female relatives and friends	8
Mother-in-law	4		
Sisters	5	Other	9.

(b) What were their views

Write down:

SECTION E: HEALTH AND CHILD CARE

(To be answered by all mothers)

1. (a) If you breast-feed your children,

(i) How many times a day ?

(use code 9 for 9 or more times)

(ii) For how long? i.e. until what age (months)..

use code 36 for 36 or more months..

(iii) At what age, do you give
supplementary foods ? (months)

(iv) What type of supplementary foods ?

Probe and write down:

(b) If no,

(i) Why don't you breast-feed ?

Probe and write down:

(ii) How then do you feed your children ?

Probe and write down

2. (a) What type of diseases have affected your children in the last
12 months ?

Probe and list in order of frequency:

1	4
2	5
3	6

(b) What diseases have affected you and other adults in the last
12 months ? Probe and list in order of frequency:

1	4
2	5
3	6

3. (a) Where do the children and yourself receive treatment for
the serious cases of illness ?

Hospital	1
Health Centre	2
Dispensary	3
M.C.H. Clinic	4
Village First Aid Box	5
Other (specify)	6.

(d) If another child is wanted, why do you want more children ?

Write down.

SECTION G: WOMAN'S SOURCES OF INCOME

We are given to understand that women in this village have their own income either from the sale of cash crops, foodstuffs, local beer or a small business, or occasional services.

(a) Do you have such income?

Yes 1

No 2

(b) If yes, from what source ?

Write down:

(c) How much would you say you earn in a year ?

Write down:

(d) How do you spend it?

(e) Who decides how you spend it ?

SECTION H: THE WOMAN'S HUSBAND (For women who are married)

1. (a) What is your husband's name ?

Write down:

(b) How old is your husband ?

(age in completed years)

(c) What is his clan ?

Write down.

(d) What is his religion ?

Catholic 1

Protestant 2

Moslem 3

Traditional 4

Other (specify) 5

(e) How many wives does he have ?

use code 9 for 9 or more wives

(f) What is your husband's occupation ?

1. Professional, managerial and white collar worker (e.g. graduate, salaried teacher. Medical personnel, etc.)
2. Self-employed (non-agricultural workers)
3. Self-employed farmer
4. Employed rural worker (e.g. labourer working for wages).
5. Not working (but looking for work).
6. Student
7. Other (specify)

(g) What is the location of your husband's employment ?

1. Not applicable (not employed)
2. Same Village
3. Maseru
4. District Headquarter
5. Other town in Lesotho
6. Other district (in rural area)
7. In R S A
8. Other specify.

(h) If in RSA, how long has he been working there ?

Give answer in years and months.

(i) How often does he come home in a year and for how long does he stay ? Frequency of visit Length of stay

(j) Does he assist on the farm ?

1. Yes

2. No.

(k) If yes, what kind of work does he do on the farm ?

Write down

(l) Does he send money and other things home ?

1. Yes

2. No

(m) If yes, provide the quantity of each of the most important items

<u>Item</u>	<u>Quantity</u>
1.	
2.	
3.	
4.	
5.	
6.	
7.	
8.	
9.	
10.	

(n) Mention the three most important items (in order of importance) on which the money sent home is spent.

1.

2.

3.

(o) In your opinion, do you feel that your husband's absence from home affects your farm's production ?

1. Yes

2. No

3. Not applicable

(p) If yes, why do you think so ?
write down.

(q) What is your husband's education ?

1. None

2. Some Primary (standard 1 - 4)

3. Primary (Standard v - vii)

4. Some secondary

5. Secondary and above

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