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AMDF AIDS adjusted PMDF

CEMD Confidential Enquiry into Maternal Deaths

DHS Demographic and Health Surveys

GDP gross domestic product per capita based on purchasing power parity conversion

GFR general fertility rate

HDI Human Development Index

HIV/AIDS human immunodeficiency virus/acquired immunodeficiency syndrome

ICD-10 International Statistical Classification of Diseases and Related Health Problems (10th Revision)

MDG Millennium Development Goal

MMEIG Maternal Mortality Estimation Inter-Agency Group

MMR maternal mortality ratioMMRate maternal mortality rate

PMDF proportion maternal among deaths of females of reproductive age

PPP purchasing power parity

RAMOS reproductive-age mortality studies

SAB skilled attendant at birth as a proportion of total live births

TAG Technical Advisory Group

TFR total fertility rate

UNAIDS The Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS

UNIFPA United Nations Population Fund
UNICEF United Nations Children's Fund
UNPD United Nations Population Division

WHO World Health Organization

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