

# Plenary Session V: Overview of the MDG Dataset of MAMS

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<app>-data-mdg.xls

- In order to follow the presentation, open the file
  - yem-data-mdg.xls

## Introduction

- Overview of data requirements in key MDG-related worksheets of the MAMS dataset
- The dataset is in the file  
*<app>-data-mdg.xls*
- Selective sheet-by-sheet comments focused on what the data mean; not on how they are generated/estimated. Comments use data in **test-data-mdg.xls**.

- **sets-one-dimension**
  - mdg1: Irrelevant given that this project uses microsimulation to compute poverty and inequality indicators.
- **trgyrmdgedu(ac,t1)**
  - target year for MDGs; for education, translated into targets for earlier years for primary school entry and pass (promotion) rates.
- **mflabc(f,c)**
  - mapping between labor type f and the highest cycle it has completed; i.e., population that has completed cycle c belong to labor type f (if they are part of the labor force).

- `mwageprem(c,f,fp)`
  - for student in `c` next highest and current labor segments are `f` and `fp` respectively
  - if student in `c` were to drop out of school without completing cycle `c`, then the student would belong to `fp`
    - related to the determinants of students behaviors – see previous presentation on MDG related elasticities
  - if student in `c` were to continue schooling sufficiently to climb one notch in terms of labor force type (by educational attainment), then the student would belong to `f`

- `mdgkeyindic(ac,acp)`
  1. For `mdg 5`, `unit = %`; for other indicators, `unit = share = %/100`
  2. data for `"goal2015"` is used in reports and in definition of simulation parameters.
  3. data for `"mdg2-baseyr"` is superfluous; overwritten in `dmod2.gms` using user-supplied data for entry and pass rates in primary school (parameter/sheet: `shredu0`).

- `mdgeduscen(ac,acp,acpp)`
  1. Data on this sheet and the sheet `mdgeduelas` is used in the calibration of the MDG and education functions.
  2. Each row shows a set of conditions that are made consistent as part of the calibration process: the "goal" is reached if the conditions in the preceding columns are reached in the year identified by `"trgyrmdgedu"` except for primary education, for which targeting will start in
    - $\text{trgyrmdgedu} - \text{ycyc} + 1$ .

(For example, if `trgyrmdgedu` = 2015 and `ycyc('c-edup1')` = 6, then the targeting of primary education outcomes starts from :  $2015 - 6 + 1 = 2010$ .)

3. Interpretation by column for `mdgeduscen`:
  - `c-hlthg`: ratio between per-capita real health services in target and base years
  - `c-wtsn`: ratio between per-capita real water-sanitation services in target and base years
  - `edu-qual`: ratio between educational quality (real services per student) in target and base years
  - `f-capoinf`: ratio between government capital stock in infrastructure in target and base years
  - `qhpc`: ratio between real household consumption per capita target and base years
  - `mdg4`: ratio between `mdg4` indicator in target and base years
  - `mdg7a`: ratio between `mdg7a` indicator in target and base years

### 3. Interpretation by column for mdgeduscen (cont.)

- mdg7b: ratio between mdg7b indicator in target and base years
- wage-prem: ratio between relative wages in next higher and current labor segments in target and base years;
- goal: value reached for the targeted indicator in 2015

### 4. Base-year values for the goal indicators (identified in columns 1 and 2) are found on the following sheets:

- mdgkeyindic: mdg4, mdg5, mdg7a, mdg7b
- shredu0: other, education-related indicators

- mdgeduelas(ac,acp,acpp)

1. Units for determinants (3rd index) identified in comments on mdgeduscen (preceding sheet);
2. Elasticities are negative for cases where an increase (decrease) in the determinant leads to a decrease (increase) in the indicator (ceteris paribus);

- ext\_mdg0(mdg)

- Values should represent extreme values according to international experience ( $\approx$  lowest country-level mortality rates in global databases)

- fpelas00(mdg,f,a)

- A negative value indicates that productivity of labor type f in activity a declines in response to improved health (with the mdg4 indicator used as proxy)

- shredu0(behav,c,t11)
  1. For base year: data needed for all rows
  2. For years preceding base, data only needed for the (first) primary cycle:
    - a. shredu0('g1entry', 'c-edup1',t); for the single year  $\text{baseyr} - \text{yrcyc}(\text{c-edup1}) + 1$   
 Example: if  $\text{baseyr} = 2002$  and  $\text{yrcyc}(\text{'c-edup1'}) = 4$ , then data needed for:  $2002 - 4 + 1 = 1999$
    - b. shredu0('pass', 'c-edup1',t); data needed for all years up to baseyr starting from the year identified under (a).

## How MAMS Computes MDG 2

- The MDG2 is defined as the product of the rates of entry and passing during the years of study for the cohort that is scheduled to graduate from (1st) cycle primary in t.
- For example, in test-data.xls
  - MDG 2 =  $\text{g1entry1999} * \text{pass1999} * \text{pass2000} * \text{pass2001} * \text{pass2002}$
  - MDG 2 =  $0.740 * 0.777 * 0.777 * 0.777 * 0.777 = 0.269$

- `shrgrdcyc0(c)`
  - among the students in cycle `c` who pass (their current grade), the share that graduates from the cycle (in base-year)
 
$$= \frac{[\text{students graduating from } c]}{[\text{students who pass their current grade in } c]}$$
  - Note: `[students who pass their current grade c-edup (base-year is 2002)] =`  
`qenr00('c-edup1')`  
`*shredu0('pass','c-edup1','2002')`

- `shrlabent0(c,t1)`
  - labor-force entry share among students leaving school during or at graduation from cycle `c`
  - note: value is zero for cycles for which departing students are too young to be part of the labor force
- `shrlabent20(f,t1)`
  - share of labor-force-age cohort outside school system that enters labor force as type `f`
  - `shrlabent20` applies to population who never went to school or left school before reaching labor force age (typically those who only completed primary education or less). When this population reaches labor-force age, the indicated share enters the labor force
  - value is zero for labor categories that require an education level so high that those who acquire it already are in labor-force age at graduation

- **deprlab(f,t1)**
  - depreciation (attrition rate) for labor factor f in t1
  - main reasons for depreciation (attrition): retirement due to old age or illness; net out-migration
  - MAMS imposes an exogenous labor-force participation rate (among those in labor-force age who are not in school) – see the parameter labpartrat0 in the file <app>-data.general.xls. deprlab is scaled endogenously to achieve this participation rate. Given this, for deprlab only relative values across labor types matter.
  - suggestion: if labor-type-specific data is not available, introduce plausible values (e.g. 0.02 = 2%) for all labor types.
- **eduqualgrw(c)**
  - annual growth (improvement if >0) in quality for educational cycle c (units = shares; e.g. write 1% as 0.01)
  - definition of “quality”: real services per student in cycle c (irrespective of whether service is provided by government or non-government sectors).
  - data provided on this sheet only matter if govspnd0(c,t) = 4; see the file <app>-data.general.xls.