

Supplementary appendix

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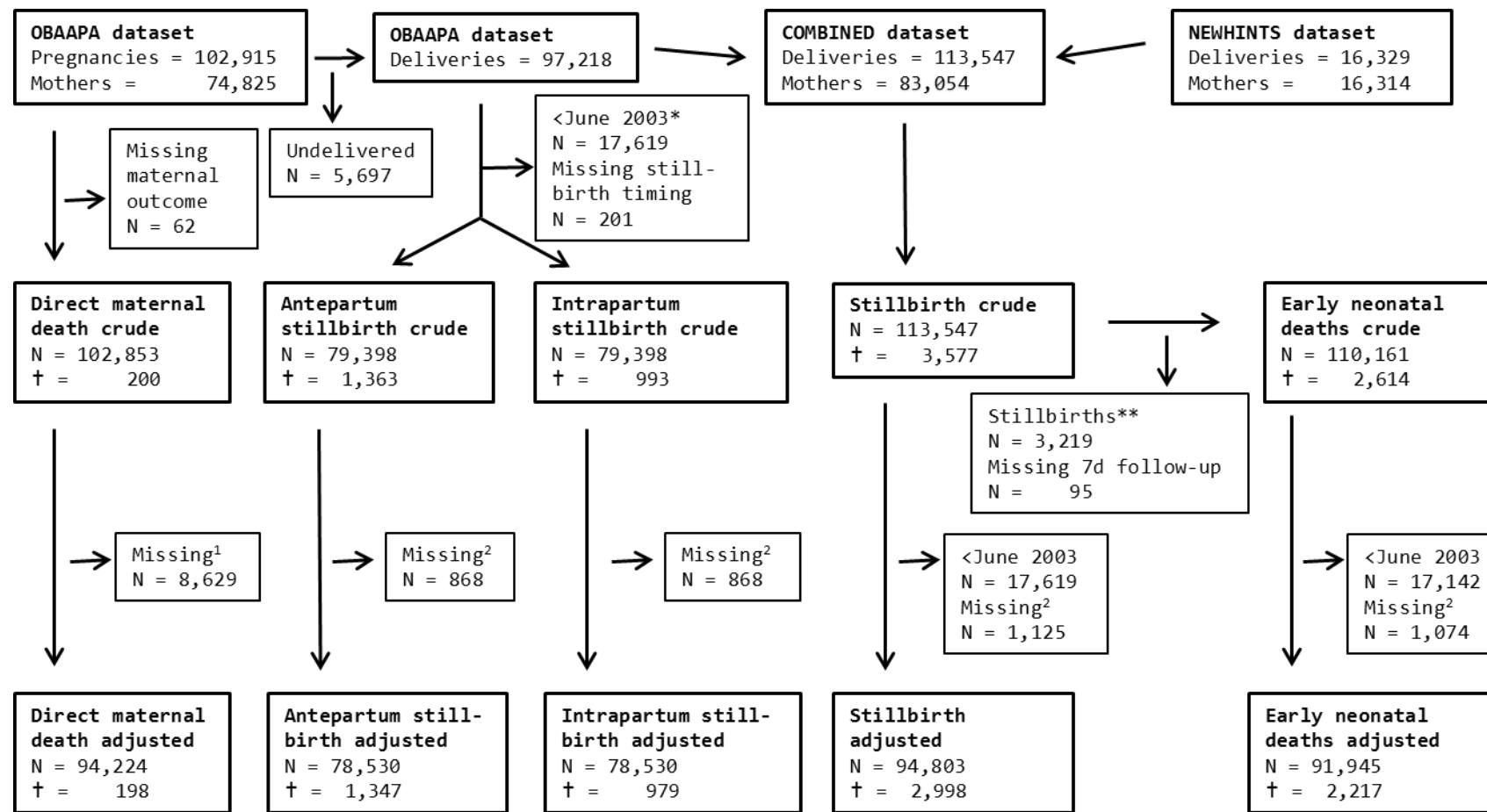
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¹ Missings in religion, parity, ethnicity

² Missings in religion, parity, ethnicity, household wealth, education, multiple birth, occupation

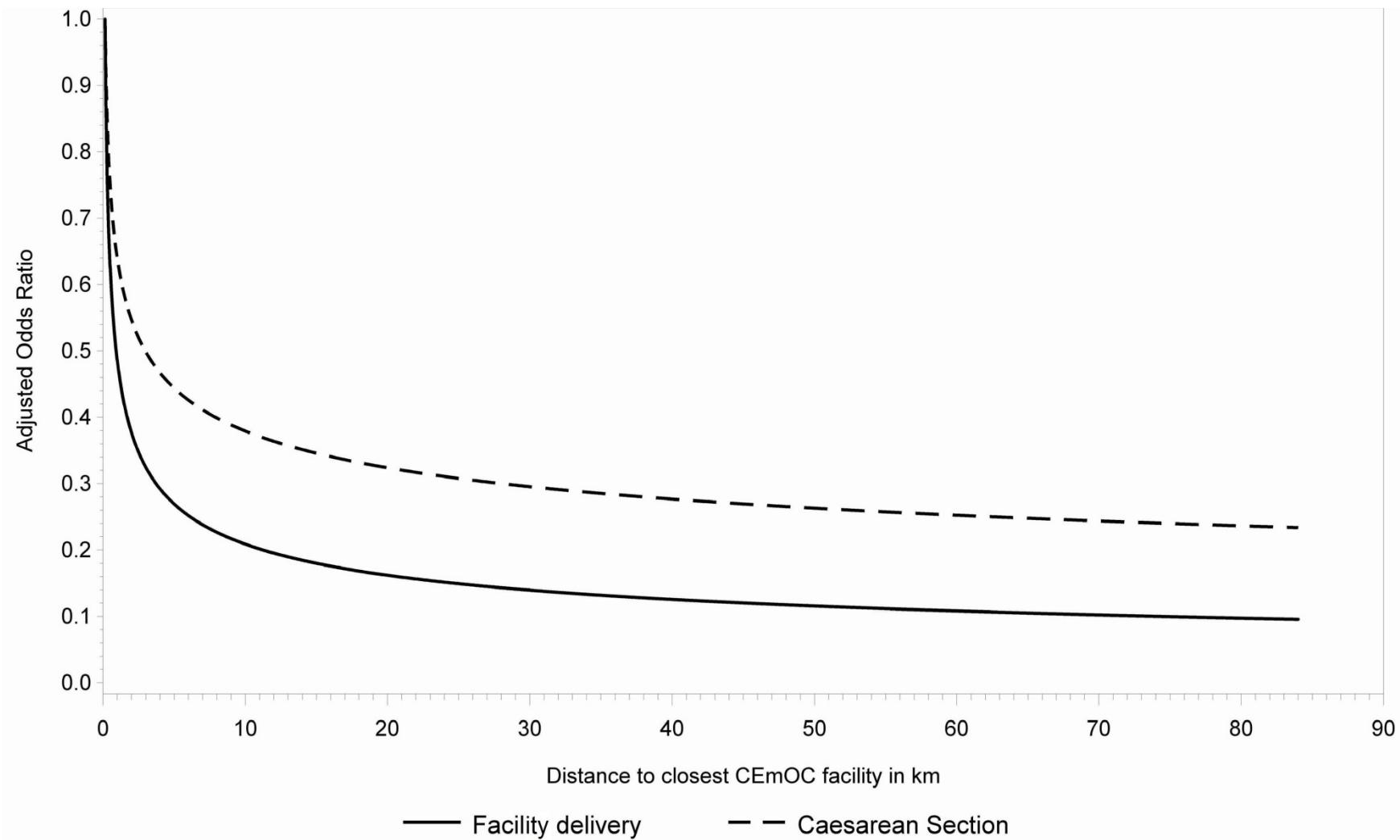
* Timing of stillbirth was only collected after June 2003.

** Stillbirths minus those 286 multiple deliveries with a stillbirth where a twin/triplet baby was live born

Figure A2: Modeled effects of distance to quality care on service use and mortality

Estimated associations of distance to the closest facility providing Comprehensive Emergency Obstetric Care (CEmOC) with facility birth and Caesarean section (Panel A) and mortality outcomes (Panel B), based on the adjusted model with log-transformed distance.

Panel A:



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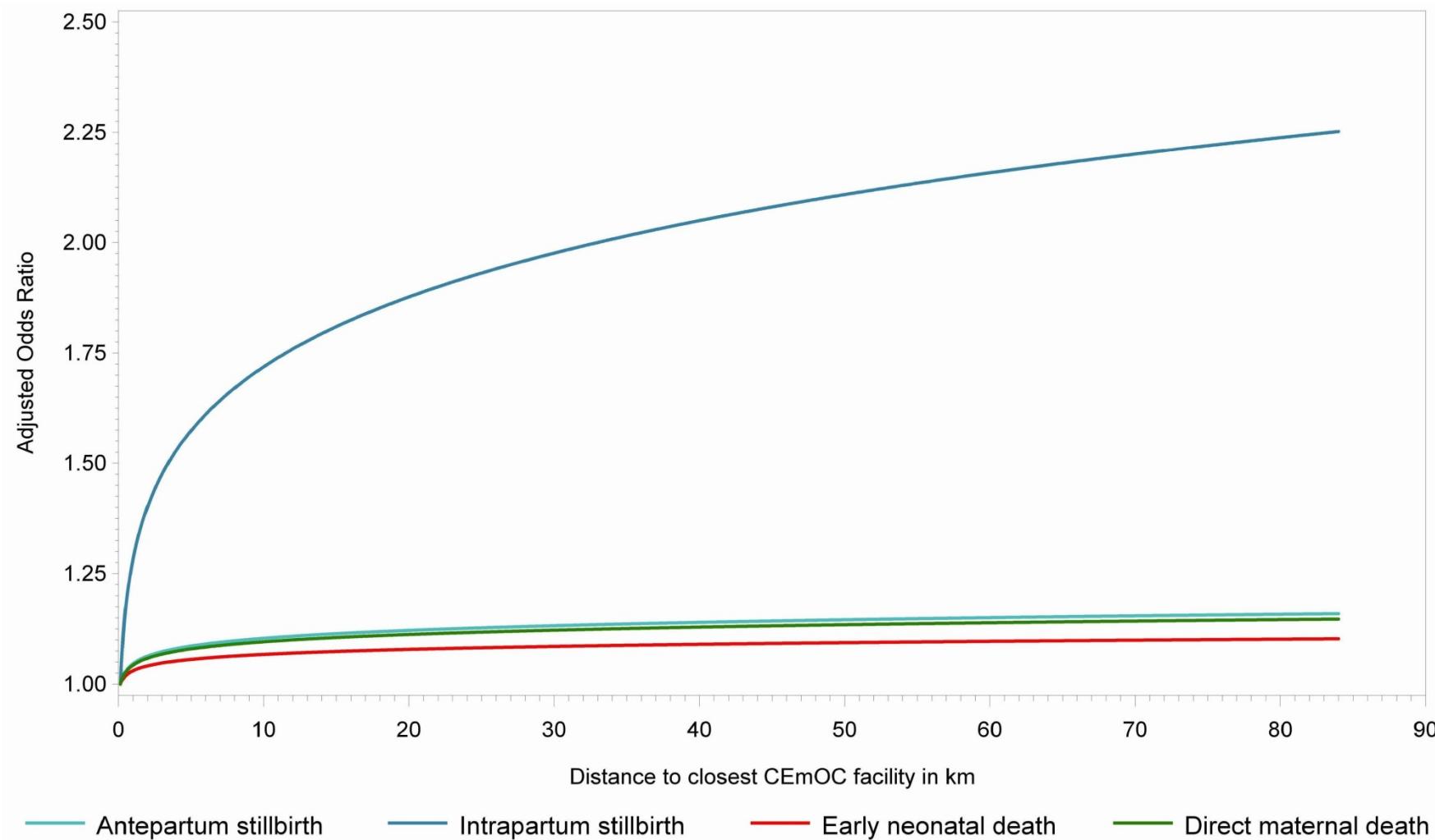
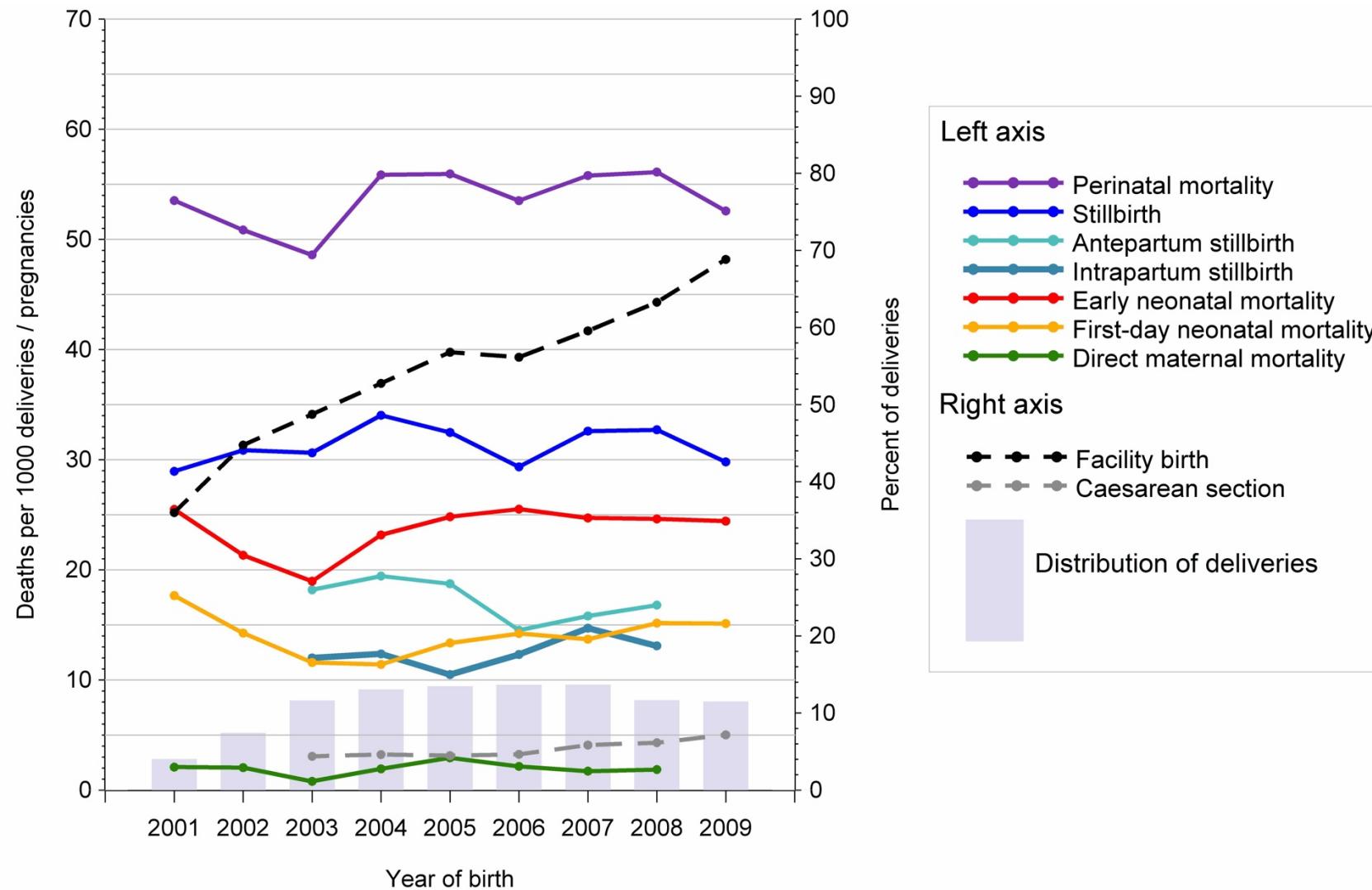


Figure A3: Health service use and mortalities by birth year

Facility birth and Caesarean section (right axis), and mortalities (left axis) are shown by year of birth. The grey shaded bars signify the distribution of deliveries over the years.



2. Supplementary Tables

Table A1: Adjusted associations of individual-level facility birth with seven mortality outcomes

Each line of results comes from a separate regression model of facility birth on an outcome, adjusting for confounders as specified in the methods section, using surveillance data from 2003 (for maternal mortality from 2000) to 2009 (for maternal mortality, antepartum and intrapartum stillbirth to 2008).

Exposure	Outcome	Odds Ratio	95% Confidence Interval	p-value	N
Facility delivery (of index birth)	Direct maternal mortality	1.36	0.81	2.28	0.243
	Perinatal mortality	1.67	1.56	1.80	<0.001
	Early neonatal mortality	1.43	1.29	1.58	<0.001
	First-day neonatal mortality	1.44	1.26	1.66	<0.001
	Stillbirth	1.81	1.65	1.98	<0.001
	Antepartum stillbirth	1.89	1.64	2.16	<0.001
	Intrapartum stillbirth	1.68	1.44	1.95	<0.001

Table A2: Crude associations of cluster-level facility birth, wealth, education and distances with nine health service use and mortality outcomes

Each line of results comes from a separate regression model of an exposure on an outcome, using surveillance data from 2000 to 2009 (for antepartum and intrapartum stillbirth from 2003-2008, for maternal mortality from 2000-2008).

Exposure	Outcome	Odds Ratio	95% Confidence Interval	p-value	N
Cluster-level facility birth (per 20% increase)	Facility birth	2.36	2.30	2.41	<0.001
	Caesarean section	1.39	1.34	1.45	<0.001
	Direct maternal mortality	1.13	1.02	1.26	0.025
	Perinatal mortality	1.00	0.98	1.02	0.976
	Early neonatal mortality	1.02	0.99	1.05	0.204
	First-day neonatal mortality	1.04	1.00	1.08	0.042
	Stillbirth	0.98	0.96	1.01	0.241
	Antepartum stillbirth	0.99	0.95	1.04	0.688
	Intrapartum stillbirth	0.96	0.91	1.01	0.079
Household wealth (per quintile)	Facility birth	1.75	1.72	1.77	<0.001
	Caesarean section	1.36	1.33	1.40	<0.001
	Direct maternal mortality	1.18	1.04	1.34	0.013
	Perinatal mortality	1.02	1.00	1.04	0.080
	Early neonatal mortality	1.03	1.00	1.07	0.035
	First-day neonatal mortality	1.05	1.01	1.09	0.019
	Stillbirth	1.01	0.98	1.03	0.659
	Antepartum stillbirth	1.04	0.99	1.08	0.097
	Intrapartum stillbirth	0.95	0.90	1.00	0.034
Mother's education (per level)	Facility birth	1.66	1.63	1.69	<0.001
	Caesarean section	1.39	1.35	1.44	<0.001
	Direct maternal mortality	0.88	0.76	1.02	0.093
	Perinatal mortality	1.02	0.99	1.05	0.132

	Early neonatal mortality	1.06	1.02	1.11	0.003	102,563
	First-day neonatal mortality	1.11	1.05	1.17	<0.001	102,563
	Stillbirth	0.99	0.95	1.02	0.437	105,733
	Antepartum stillbirth	1.01	0.95	1.06	0.833	78,869
	Intrapartum stillbirth	0.93	0.87	1.00	0.045	78,869
Distance (logarithmic) to closest facility offering						
Any childbirth care	Facility birth	0.54	0.53	0.56	<0.001	113,125
	Caesarean section	0.80	0.77	0.84	<0.001	95,397
	Direct maternal mortality	0.87	0.78	0.96	0.007	102,853
	Perinatal mortality	0.98	0.96	1.01	0.150	113,452
	Early neonatal mortality	0.97	0.94	1.00	0.076	110,161
	First-day neonatal mortality	0.95	0.91	0.99	0.012	110,161
	Stillbirth	0.99	0.97	1.02	0.652	113,547
	Antepartum stillbirth	0.99	0.94	1.04	0.611	79,398
	Intrapartum stillbirth	1.05	0.99	1.11	0.080	79,398
Comprehensive Emergency Obstetric Care	Facility birth	0.55	0.53	0.57	<0.001	113,125
	Caesarean section	0.68	0.66	0.71	<0.001	95,397
	Direct maternal mortality	0.95	0.87	1.04	0.286	102,853
	Perinatal mortality	1.01	0.99	1.03	0.386	113,452
	Early neonatal mortality	0.99	0.95	1.02	0.363	110,161
	First-day neonatal mortality	0.98	0.94	1.01	0.228	110,161
	Stillbirth	1.03	1.00	1.06	0.064	113,547
	Antepartum stillbirth	0.98	0.93	1.03	0.330	79,398
	Intrapartum stillbirth	1.13	1.07	1.20	<0.001	79,398
Emergency Newborn Care	Facility birth	0.66	0.63	0.68	<0.001	113,125
	Caesarean section	0.73	0.70	0.76	<0.001	95,397

	Direct maternal mortality	0.94	0.85	1.04	0.241	102,853
	Perinatal mortality	1.02	0.99	1.04	0.183	113,452
	Early neonatal mortality	0.99	0.96	1.03	0.626	110,161
	First-day neonatal mortality	1.00	0.96	1.04	0.944	110,161
	Stillbirth	1.04	1.01	1.07	0.014	113,547
	Antepartum stillbirth	1.01	0.96	1.06	0.807	79,398
	Intrapartum stillbirth	1.12	1.06	1.18	<0.001	79,398
High-quality routine care	Facility birth	0.56	0.54	0.58	<0.001	113,125
	Caesarean section	0.71	0.68	0.74	<0.001	95,397
	Direct maternal mortality	0.92	0.84	1.02	0.108	102,853
	Perinatal mortality	1.00	0.98	1.02	0.958	113,452
	Early neonatal mortality	0.97	0.94	1.00	0.061	110,161
	First-day neonatal mortality	0.96	0.92	1.00	0.027	110,161
	Stillbirth	1.02	0.99	1.05	0.218	113,547
	Antepartum stillbirth	0.98	0.93	1.03	0.403	79,398
	Intrapartum stillbirth	1.09	1.03	1.15	0.003	79,398
Vignette score >12	Facility birth	0.61	0.59	0.63	<0.001	113,125
	Caesarean section	0.71	0.68	0.74	<0.001	95,397
	Direct maternal mortality	0.96	0.87	1.05	0.356	102,853
	Perinatal mortality	1.01	0.98	1.03	0.568	113,452
	Early neonatal mortality	0.98	0.95	1.01	0.107	110,161
	First-day neonatal mortality	0.97	0.93	1.00	0.062	110,161
	Stillbirth	1.03	1.00	1.06	0.039	113,547
	Antepartum stillbirth	0.97	0.92	1.02	0.205	79,398
	Intrapartum stillbirth	1.13	1.07	1.19	<0.001	79,398

Table A3: Adjusted associations of cluster-level facility birth, wealth, education and distances with nine health service use and mortality outcomes (underlying Figures 2 and 3)

Each line of results comes from a separate regression model of an exposure on an outcome, adjusting for confounders as specified in the methods section, using surveillance data from 2003 (for maternal mortality from 2000) to 2009 (for maternal mortality, antepartum and intrapartum stillbirth to 2008).

Exposure	Outcome	Odds Ratio	95% Confidence Interval	p-value	N
Cluster-level facility birth (per 20% increase)	Facility birth	1.82	1.77 - 1.87	<0.001	93,141
	Caesarean section	1.16	1.12 - 1.21	<0.001	92,730
	Direct maternal mortality	1.10	0.94 - 1.28	0.235	94,224
	Perinatal mortality	0.98	0.95 - 1.01	0.120	93,164
	Early neonatal mortality	0.99	0.95 - 1.03	0.716	90,434
	First-day neonatal mortality	1.00	0.95 - 1.05	0.986	90,434
	Stillbirth	0.97	0.94 - 1.00	0.075	93,259
	Antepartum stillbirth	0.96	0.91 - 1.01	0.127	76,992
	Intrapartum stillbirth	0.96	0.90 - 1.02	0.176	76,992
Household wealth (per quintile)	Facility birth	1.45	1.42 - 1.47	<0.001	94,684
	Caesarean section	1.13	1.09 - 1.16	<0.001	94,183
	Direct maternal mortality	1.16	0.97 - 1.38	0.098	94,224
	Perinatal mortality	1.01	0.99 - 1.04	0.349	94,708
	Early neonatal mortality	1.00	0.96 - 1.05	0.837	91,945
	First-day neonatal mortality	1.00	0.95 - 1.06	0.962	91,945
	Stillbirth	1.02	0.98 - 1.06	0.358	94,803
	Antepartum stillbirth	1.02	0.97 - 1.08	0.462	78,530
	Intrapartum stillbirth	1.00	0.94 - 1.07	0.973	78,530
Mother's education (per level)	Facility birth	1.24	1.21 - 1.27	<0.001	94,684
	Caesarean section	1.13	1.09 - 1.18	<0.001	94,183
	Direct maternal mortality	0.69	0.56 - 0.85	<0.001	94,224

	Perinatal mortality	0.96	0.93	1.00	0.039	94,708
	Early neonatal mortality	0.99	0.93	1.04	0.652	91,945
	First-day neonatal mortality	1.07	0.99	1.15	0.078	91,945
	Stillbirth	0.94	0.89	0.98	0.010	94,803
	Antepartum stillbirth	0.94	0.87	1.01	0.078	78,530
	Intrapartum stillbirth	0.94	0.87	1.03	0.190	78,530
Distance (logarithmic) to closest facility offering						
Any childbirth care	Facility birth	0.62	0.60	0.64	<0.001	94,684
	Caesarean section	0.90	0.87	0.94	<0.001	94,183
	Direct maternal mortality	0.88	0.78	1.00	0.042	94,224
	Perinatal mortality	1.00	0.97	1.03	0.992	94,708
	Early neonatal mortality	0.99	0.95	1.03	0.611	91,945
	First-day neonatal mortality	0.97	0.93	1.02	0.273	91,945
	Stillbirth	1.01	0.97	1.04	0.716	94,803
	Antepartum stillbirth	1.01	0.96	1.06	0.666	78,530
	Intrapartum stillbirth	1.03	0.98	1.09	0.251	78,530
Comprehensive Emergency Obstetric Care	Facility birth	0.69	0.67	0.72	<0.001	94,684
	Caesarean section	0.80	0.77	0.83	<0.001	94,183
	Direct maternal mortality	1.01	0.89	1.15	0.871	94,224
	Perinatal mortality	1.04	1.01	1.07	0.006	94,708
	Early neonatal mortality	1.02	0.98	1.06	0.389	91,945
	First-day neonatal mortality	1.01	0.96	1.06	0.717	91,945
	Stillbirth	1.06	1.02	1.09	0.003	94,803
	Antepartum stillbirth	1.02	0.96	1.08	0.481	78,530
	Intrapartum stillbirth	1.13	1.06	1.21	<0.001	78,530
Emergency Newborn Care	Facility birth	0.79	0.76	0.82	<0.001	94,684

	Caesarean section	0.85	0.81	0.88	<0.001	94,183
	Direct maternal mortality	0.99	0.88	1.12	0.926	94,224
	Perinatal mortality	1.05	1.03	1.08	<0.001	94,708
	Early neonatal mortality	1.03	0.99	1.06	0.152	91,945
	First-day neonatal mortality	1.03	0.99	1.08	0.169	91,945
	Stillbirth	1.07	1.04	1.10	<0.001	94,803
	Antepartum stillbirth	1.06	1.01	1.12	0.024	78,530
	Intrapartum stillbirth	1.10	1.03	1.17	0.002	78,530
High-quality routine care	Facility birth	0.69	0.66	0.71	<0.001	94,684
	Caesarean section	0.83	0.79	0.86	<0.001	94,183
	Direct maternal mortality	0.99	0.87	1.12	0.814	94,224
	Perinatal mortality	1.02	1.00	1.05	0.105	94,708
	Early neonatal mortality	1.00	0.96	1.03	0.804	91,945
	First-day neonatal mortality	0.98	0.94	1.03	0.433	91,945
	Stillbirth	1.04	1.00	1.07	0.040	94,803
	Antepartum stillbirth	1.02	0.97	1.08	0.370	78,530
	Intrapartum stillbirth	1.07	1.01	1.14	0.027	78,530
Vignette score >12	Facility birth	0.74	0.71	0.76	<0.001	94,684
	Caesarean section	0.80	0.77	0.84	<0.001	94,183
	Direct maternal mortality	1.02	0.90	1.15	0.771	94,224
	Perinatal mortality	1.03	1.00	1.06	0.027	94,708
	Early neonatal mortality	1.01	0.97	1.05	0.724	91,945
	First-day neonatal mortality	1.00	0.95	1.05	0.916	91,945
	Stillbirth	1.05	1.01	1.08	0.008	94,803
	Antepartum stillbirth	1.01	0.95	1.06	0.811	78,530
	Intrapartum stillbirth	1.12	1.05	1.19	<0.001	78,530

Table A4: Interaction of time period with cluster-level facility birth, wealth, education and distances in their effect on four mortality outcomes (underlying Figure 4)

Each Odds Ratio (OR) and 95% Confidence Interval (CI) come from a separate regression model of an exposure on an outcome, with an interaction term for time period. The main effects are shown stratified by time period (calculated using the interaction terms) as well as the interaction p-values. Models are adjusted for confounders as specified in the methods section and based on surveillance data from 2003 to 2009.

Exposure	Outcome	N	Time period 6/2003 - 3/2005			Time period 4/2005 - 06/2008			interaction p-value	Time period 07/2008 - 12/2009			interaction p-value
			OR	95% CI	p-value	OR	95% CI	p-value		OR	95% CI	p-value	
Cluster-level facility birth(per 20% increase)	Perinatal mortality	93164	0.96	0.92 - 1.00	0.051	0.97	0.93 - 1.00	0.034	0.819	1.05	1.00 - 1.11	0.045	0.003
	Early neonatal mortality	90434	0.99	0.93 - 1.05	0.701	0.97	0.93 - 1.02	0.287	0.698	1.06	0.99 - 1.15	0.112	0.117
	First-day neonatal mortality	90434	0.94	0.86 - 1.02	0.130	0.99	0.93 - 1.05	0.773	0.245	1.12	1.02 - 1.24	0.019	0.003
	Stillbirth	93259	0.95	0.90 - 1.00	0.038	0.96	0.92 - 1.00	0.058	0.642	1.04	0.97 - 1.11	0.264	0.020
Household wealth (per quintile)	Perinatal mortality	94708	0.99	0.94 - 1.03	0.571	1.00	0.97 - 1.04	0.891	0.534	1.09	1.03 - 1.14	0.001	0.002
	Early neonatal mortality	91945	0.99	0.92 - 1.06	0.686	0.98	0.93 - 1.03	0.492	0.920	1.10	1.02 - 1.19	0.013	0.020
	First-day neonatal mortality	91945	0.92	0.84 - 1.02	0.099	1.00	0.93 - 1.07	0.929	0.139	1.10	1.00 - 1.21	0.058	0.006
	Stillbirth	94803	0.99	0.93 - 1.05	0.668	1.01	0.97 - 1.06	0.520	0.392	1.07	1.00 - 1.14	0.048	0.050
Mother's education (per level)	Perinatal mortality	94708	0.93	0.88 - 0.99	0.027	0.97	0.93 - 1.02	0.224	0.253	0.97	0.91 - 1.04	0.403	0.374
	Early neonatal mortality	91945	0.98	0.89 - 1.08	0.688	1.00	0.93 - 1.07	0.961	0.744	0.97	0.87 - 1.07	0.525	0.826
	First-day neonatal mortality	91945	1.08	0.95 - 1.23	0.223	1.09	0.99 - 1.19	0.075	0.963	1.02	0.89 - 1.16	0.798	0.476
	Stillbirth	94803	0.90	0.83 - 0.97	0.008	0.95	0.89 - 1.01	0.073	0.270	0.97	0.88 - 1.06	0.468	0.208
Distance (logarithmic) to closest facility offering	Any childbirth care	94708	1.01	0.97 - 1.05	0.655	1.02	0.99 - 1.06	0.172	0.599	0.93	0.89 - 0.98	0.007	0.014
	Early neonatal mortality	91945	0.99	0.93 - 1.06	0.800	1.01	0.97 - 1.06	0.612	0.590	0.94	0.87 - 1.01	0.078	0.226
	First-day neonatal mortality	91945	1.02	0.94 - 1.12	0.587	0.99	0.93 - 1.05	0.628	0.447	0.89	0.81 - 0.98	0.016	0.028
	Stillbirth	94803	1.02	0.96 - 1.07	0.547	1.03	0.99 - 1.07	0.205	0.739	0.94	0.88 - 1.00	0.051	0.049
Comprehensive Emergency Obstetric Care	Perinatal mortality	94708	1.07	1.02 - 1.11	0.004	1.05	1.02 - 1.09	0.004	0.541	0.98	0.94 - 1.03	0.502	0.007
	Early neonatal mortality	91945	1.04	0.97 - 1.10	0.282	1.03	0.98 - 1.08	0.224	0.895	0.97	0.90 - 1.04	0.346	0.125
	First-day neonatal mortality	91945	1.05	0.97 - 1.15	0.235	1.01	0.95 - 1.07	0.701	0.410	0.96	0.88 - 1.04	0.304	0.094
	Stillbirth	94803	1.08	1.02 - 1.14	0.006	1.07	1.02 - 1.11	0.005	0.635	1.00	0.94 - 1.06	0.975	0.043
Emergency Newborn Care	Perinatal mortality	94708	1.09	1.05 - 1.14	<0.001	1.07	1.03 - 1.10	<0.001	0.389	0.96	0.92 - 1.01	0.106	<0.001
	Early neonatal mortality	91945	1.05	0.99 - 1.12	0.131	1.07	1.02 - 1.12	0.005	0.655	0.90	0.84 - 0.96	0.003	<0.001
	First-day neonatal mortality	91945	1.08	0.99 - 1.19	0.086	1.07	1.01 - 1.14	0.023	0.885	0.90	0.82 - 0.98	0.018	0.003
	Stillbirth	94803	1.11	1.05 - 1.17	<0.001	1.07	1.02 - 1.11	0.002	0.215	1.02	0.95 - 1.08	0.643	0.030
High-quality routine care	Perinatal mortality	94708	1.06	1.02 - 1.11	0.008	1.02	0.99 - 1.06	0.169	0.154	0.97	0.93 - 1.02	0.287	0.006
	Early neonatal mortality	91945	1.00	0.94 - 1.06	0.998	1.01	0.96 - 1.06	0.787	0.860	0.96	0.90 - 1.03	0.293	0.408
	First-day neonatal mortality	91945	1.01	0.93 - 1.10	0.832	0.98	0.93 - 1.04	0.599	0.614	0.94	0.86 - 1.03	0.197	0.261
	Stillbirth	94803	1.09	1.03 - 1.15	0.002	1.03	0.99 - 1.07	0.187	0.067	0.98	0.92 - 1.05	0.586	0.009
Vignette score >12	Perinatal mortality	94708	1.04	1.00 - 1.09	0.055	1.04	1.01 - 1.08	0.013	0.965	0.99	0.94 - 1.04	0.663	0.086
	Early neonatal mortality	91945	1.01	0.95 - 1.07	0.798	1.02	0.98 - 1.07	0.335	0.669	0.97	0.90 - 1.04	0.334	0.343
	First-day neonatal mortality	91945	1.03	0.95 - 1.12	0.429	1.00	0.94 - 1.06	0.983	0.477	0.95	0.87 - 1.04	0.263	0.153
	Stillbirth	94803	1.06	1.00 - 1.11	0.039	1.06	1.01 - 1.10	0.010	1.000	1.01	0.95 - 1.07	0.753	0.235

3. Sensitivity analyses

1) Crude analysis in restricted sample

Multivariable analyses were performed in a restricted sample, including only observations from 2003 (for all outcomes except maternal mortality) and observations without missing values in the adjustment variables (99% after 2003). To rule out bias by complete case analysis and by restricting to observations after 2003, additional crude analyses were performed in the restricted sample used for adjusted analyses, and results were compared with results of the crude analysis in the complete sample.

Results from crude analyses in the restricted sample used for adjusted analyses (Table A5) were similar to those in the full sample (compare Table A2).

Table A5: Crude associations of cluster-level facility birth, wealth, education and distances with nine health service use and mortality outcomes (in the subset of observations used for adjusted analyses in Table A3)

Each line of results comes from a separate regression model of an exposure on an outcome, using surveillance data from 2000 to 2009 (for antepartum and intrapartum stillbirth from 2003-2008, for maternal mortality from 2000-2008)

Exposure	Outcome	Odds Ratio	95% Confidence Interval	p-value	N
Cluster-level facility birth (per 20% increase)	Facility birth	2.34	2.29	2.40	<0.001
	Caesarean section	1.40	1.34	1.45	<0.001
	Direct maternal mortality	1.13	0.97	1.32	0.107
	Perinatal mortality	1.00	0.97	1.02	0.706
	Early neonatal mortality	1.02	0.98	1.05	0.331
	First-day neonatal mortality	1.04	1.00	1.08	0.069
	Stillbirth	0.98	0.95	1.01	0.134
	Antepartum stillbirth	0.99	0.95	1.03	0.595
	Intrapartum stillbirth	0.95	0.90	1.00	0.046
Household wealth (per quintile)	Facility birth	1.77	1.74	1.80	<0.001
	Caesarean section	1.36	1.33	1.40	<0.001
	Direct maternal mortality	1.12	0.98	1.29	0.105
	Perinatal mortality	1.02	0.99	1.04	0.175
	Early neonatal mortality	1.03	1.00	1.06	0.088
	First-day neonatal mortality	1.05	1.01	1.09	0.021
	Stillbirth	1.00	0.97	1.03	0.923
94,803					

	Antepartum stillbirth	1.04	0.99	1.08	0.097	78,530
	Intrapartum stillbirth	0.95	0.90	0.99	0.029	78,530
Mother's education (per level)	Facility birth	1.67	1.64	1.70	<0.001	94,684
	Caesarean section	1.39	1.35	1.44	<0.001	94,183
	Direct maternal mortality	0.95	0.79	1.16	0.641	82,546
	Perinatal mortality	1.01	0.98	1.04	0.436	94,708
	Early neonatal mortality	1.05	1.01	1.10	0.022	91,945
	First-day neonatal mortality	1.11	1.05	1.17	<0.001	91,945
	Stillbirth	0.98	0.94	1.01	0.235	94,803
	Antepartum stillbirth	1.01	0.95	1.07	0.788	78,530
	Intrapartum stillbirth	0.93	0.87	1.00	0.037	78,530
Distance (logarithmic) to closest facility offering						
Any childbirth care	Facility birth	0.54	0.52	0.55	<0.001	94,684
	Caesarean section	0.80	0.76	0.83	<0.001	94,183
	Direct maternal mortality	0.83	0.71	0.97	0.020	82,546
	Perinatal mortality	0.99	0.97	1.01	0.462	94,708
	Early neonatal mortality	0.98	0.95	1.01	0.176	91,945
	First-day neonatal mortality	0.96	0.92	1.00	0.038	91,945
	Stillbirth	1.00	0.97	1.03	0.844	94,803
	Antepartum stillbirth	0.99	0.94	1.03	0.599	78,530
	Intrapartum stillbirth	1.05	1.00	1.11	0.060	78,530
Comprehensive Emergency Obstetric Care	Facility birth	0.56	0.54	0.58	<0.001	94,684
	Caesarean section	0.68	0.65	0.71	<0.001	94,183
	Direct maternal mortality	0.91	0.78	1.06	0.216	82,546
	Perinatal mortality	1.02	0.99	1.04	0.157	94,708
	Early neonatal mortality	1.00	0.97	1.03	0.862	91,945

	First-day neonatal mortality	0.98	0.94	1.02	0.327	91,945
	Stillbirth	1.03	1.00	1.06	0.033	94,803
	Antepartum stillbirth	0.98	0.94	1.03	0.512	78,530
	Intrapartum stillbirth	1.13	1.07	1.20	<0.001	78,530
					<0.001	
Emergency Newborn Care	Facility birth	0.65	0.63	0.68	<0.001	94,684
	Caesarean section	0.73	0.70	0.76	<0.001	94,183
	Direct maternal mortality	0.94	0.81	1.09	0.438	82,546
	Perinatal mortality	1.03	1.00	1.05	0.028	94,708
	Early neonatal mortality	1.00	0.97	1.04	0.803	91,945
	First-day neonatal mortality	1.01	0.97	1.05	0.699	91,945
	Stillbirth	1.05	1.02	1.08	<0.001	94,803
	Antepartum stillbirth	1.01	0.97	1.07	0.580	78,530
	Intrapartum stillbirth	1.12	1.06	1.18	<0.001	78,530
					<0.001	
High-quality routine care	Facility birth	0.56	0.54	0.58	<0.001	94,684
	Caesarean section	0.71	0.68	0.74	<0.001	94,183
	Direct maternal mortality	0.87	0.75	1.01	0.061	82,546
	Perinatal mortality	1.01	0.98	1.03	0.666	94,708
	Early neonatal mortality	0.98	0.95	1.01	0.263	91,945
	First-day neonatal mortality	0.96	0.93	1.00	0.072	91,945
	Stillbirth	1.02	0.99	1.05	0.183	94,803
	Antepartum stillbirth	0.99	0.94	1.03	0.555	78,530
	Intrapartum stillbirth	1.09	1.03	1.15	0.002	78,530
					<0.001	
Vignette score >12	Facility birth	0.61	0.59	0.63	<0.001	94,684
	Caesarean section	0.71	0.68	0.74	<0.001	94,183
	Direct maternal mortality	0.93	0.80	1.08	0.337	82,546
	Perinatal mortality	1.01	0.99	1.04	0.267	94,708

Early neonatal mortality	0.99	0.96	1.02	0.599	91,945
First-day neonatal mortality	0.98	0.94	1.01	0.199	91,945
Stillbirth	1.03	1.00	1.06	0.047	94,803
Antepartum stillbirth	0.98	0.93	1.03	0.346	78,530
Intrapartum stillbirth	1.13	1.07	1.19	<0.001	78,530

2) Road distance and travel time

We performed analyses using road distance and walking time in hours, calculated assuming a travel speed of 4 km per hour for travel along the road and a speed of 2 km per hour across land where no road was available (Nesbitt et al. 2014, ref. 39). For comparability with straight-line distance, both measures were also log-transformed.

Results when using road distance or walking time (Table A6) were similar to those using straight-line distance (compare Table A3).

Table A6: Adjusted associations of two road distances and two walking-time measures with nine health service use and mortality outcomes

Each line of results comes from a separate regression model of an exposure on an outcome, adjusting for confounders as specified in the methods section, using surveillance data from 2003 (for maternal mortality from 2000) to 2009 (for maternal mortality, antepartum and intrapartum stillbirth to 2008).

Exposure	Outcome	Odds Ratio	95% Confidence Interval		p-value	N
Road distance (logarithmic) to closest facility offering						
Any childbirth care	Facility birth	0.62	0.60	0.64	<0.001	94,684
	Caesarean section	0.92	0.88	0.96	<0.001	94,183
	Direct maternal mortality	0.90	0.79	1.02	0.088	94,224
	Perinatal mortality	0.99	0.97	1.02	0.660	94,708
	Early neonatal mortality	0.99	0.95	1.03	0.581	91,945
	First-day neonatal mortality	0.97	0.93	1.02	0.283	91,945
	Stillbirth	1.00	0.96	1.03	0.847	94,803
	Antepartum stillbirth	1.01	0.96	1.06	0.730	78,530
	Intrapartum stillbirth	1.02	0.96	1.08	0.585	78,530
Comprehensive Emergency Obstetric Care	Facility birth	0.69	0.67	0.73	<0.001	94,684
	Caesarean section	0.78	0.74	0.82	<0.001	94,183
	Direct maternal mortality	1.03	0.89	1.19	0.697	94,224
	Perinatal mortality	1.04	1.01	1.07	0.022	94,708
	Early neonatal mortality	1.02	0.97	1.06	0.457	91,945
	First-day neonatal mortality	1.01	0.95	1.06	0.837	91,945
	Stillbirth	1.05	1.01	1.09	0.013	94,803
	Antepartum stillbirth	1.02	0.96	1.08	0.614	78,530
	Intrapartum stillbirth	1.13	1.05	1.21	<0.001	78,530

Walking time (per hour) to closest facility offering						
Any childbirth care	Facility birth	0.654	0.634	0.675	<0.001	94,684
	Caesarean section	0.882	0.844	0.922	<0.001	94,183
	Direct maternal mortality	0.926	0.810	1.058	0.258	94,224
	Perinatal mortality	0.994	0.970	1.020	0.659	94,708
	Early neonatal mortality	0.994	0.959	1.031	0.763	91,945
	First-day neonatal mortality	0.998	0.952	1.046	0.928	91,945
	Stillbirth	0.995	0.965	1.027	0.770	94,803
	Antepartum stillbirth	1.006	0.958	1.057	0.806	78,530
	Intrapartum stillbirth	1.017	0.965	1.072	0.533	78,530
Comprehensive Emergency Obstetric Care	Facility birth	0.958	0.947	0.968	<0.001	94,684
	Caesarean section	0.929	0.915	0.944	<0.001	94,183
	Direct maternal mortality	1.032	0.993	1.073	0.110	94,224
	Perinatal mortality	1.010	1.002	1.018	0.020	94,708
	Early neonatal mortality	1.007	0.995	1.019	0.267	91,945
	First-day neonatal mortality	1.001	0.985	1.016	0.950	91,945
	Stillbirth	1.012	1.002	1.023	0.024	94,803
	Antepartum stillbirth	1.000	0.984	1.018	0.958	78,530
	Intrapartum stillbirth	1.022	1.005	1.040	0.012	78,530

3) Restricted sample to women with good pregnancy surveillance

To assess possible (differential) under-reporting of deaths, we performed an analysis only including pregnancies that were recorded before delivery (100% in the *Newhints* trial) or with at least one surveillance visit during the last 3 months of pregnancy (97% in the *ObaapaVita* trial).

Results when excluding deliveries with suboptimal surveillance (Table A7) were similar to those in the full sample (compare Table A3).

Table A7: Adjusted associations of cluster-level facility birth, wealth, education and distances with 8 health service use and mortality outcomes in the subset with good surveillance (pregnancy visit in 90 days before birth)

Each line of results comes from a separate regression model of an exposure on an outcome, adjusting for confounders as specified in the methods section, using surveillance data from 2003 to 2009 (for antepartum and intrapartum stillbirth to 2008).

Exposure	Outcome	Odds Ratio	95% Confidence Interval	p-value	N
Cluster-level facility birth (per 20% increase)	Facility birth	1.85	1.80 - 1.90	<0.001	90,388
	Caesarean section	1.16	1.12 - 1.21	<0.001	89,988
	Perinatal mortality	0.98	0.95 - 1.00	0.091	90,407
	Early neonatal mortality	0.99	0.95 - 1.03	0.717	87,731
	First-day neonatal mortality	1.01	0.96 - 1.06	0.779	87,731
	Stillbirth	0.97	0.93 - 1.00	0.053	90,502
	Antepartum stillbirth	0.96	0.91 - 1.01	0.127	74,240
	Intrapartum stillbirth	0.95	0.90 - 1.01	0.100	74,240
Household wealth (per quintile)	Facility birth	1.44	1.42 - 1.47	<0.001	91,905
	Caesarean section	1.13	1.09 - 1.16	<0.001	91,415
	Perinatal mortality	1.01	0.98 - 1.04	0.355	91,925
	Early neonatal mortality	1.00	0.96 - 1.05	0.954	89,216
	First-day neonatal mortality	1.00	0.95 - 1.06	0.992	89,216
	Stillbirth	1.02	0.98 - 1.06	0.305	92,020
	Antepartum stillbirth	1.02	0.96 - 1.08	0.536	75,752
	Intrapartum stillbirth	1.01	0.95 - 1.08	0.777	75,752
Mother's education (per level)	Facility birth	1.24	1.21 - 1.27	<0.001	91,905

	Caesarean section	1.12	1.08	1.17	<0.001
	Perinatal mortality	0.96	0.92	1.00	0.043
	Early neonatal mortality	0.98	0.93	1.04	0.600
	First-day neonatal mortality	1.06	0.98	1.14	0.132
	Stillbirth	0.94	0.89	0.99	0.014
	Antepartum stillbirth	0.94	0.87	1.01	0.082
	Intrapartum stillbirth	0.95	0.87	1.04	0.246
Distance (logarithmic) to closest facility offering					
Any childbirth care	Facility birth	0.62	0.60	0.64	<0.001
	Caesarean section	0.90	0.87	0.94	<0.001
	Perinatal mortality	1.00	0.98	1.03	0.819
	Early neonatal mortality	0.99	0.96	1.03	0.757
	First-day neonatal mortality	0.97	0.93	1.02	0.231
	Stillbirth	1.01	0.98	1.04	0.624
	Antepartum stillbirth	1.02	0.96	1.07	0.560
	Intrapartum stillbirth	1.04	0.98	1.10	0.222
Comprehensive Emergency Obstetric Care	Facility birth	0.69	0.66	0.72	<0.001
	Caesarean section	0.80	0.76	0.83	<0.001
	Perinatal mortality	1.04	1.01	1.07	0.006
	Early neonatal mortality	1.02	0.97	1.06	0.465
	First-day neonatal mortality	1.00	0.96	1.06	0.865
	Stillbirth	1.06	1.02	1.10	0.002
	Antepartum stillbirth	1.02	0.97	1.08	0.449
	Intrapartum stillbirth	1.14	1.07	1.21	<0.001
Emergency Newborn Care	Facility birth	0.78	0.75	0.81	<0.001
	Caesarean section	0.84	0.81	0.88	<0.001

	Perinatal mortality	1.06	1.03	1.08	<0.001	91,925
	Early neonatal mortality	1.03	0.99	1.07	0.118	89,216
	First-day neonatal mortality	1.03	0.98	1.08	0.201	89,216
	Stillbirth	1.07	1.04	1.11	<0.001	92,020
	Antepartum stillbirth	1.07	1.01	1.12	0.015	75,752
	Intrapartum stillbirth	1.10	1.04	1.17	0.002	75,752
High-quality routine care	Facility birth	0.69	0.66	0.71	<0.001	91,905
	Caesarean section	0.82	0.79	0.86	<0.001	91,415
	Perinatal mortality	1.02	0.99	1.05	0.120	91,925
	Early neonatal mortality	0.99	0.95	1.03	0.632	89,216
	First-day neonatal mortality	0.98	0.93	1.02	0.302	89,216
	Stillbirth	1.04	1.00	1.08	0.033	92,020
	Antepartum stillbirth	1.02	0.97	1.08	0.405	75,752
	Intrapartum stillbirth	1.08	1.01	1.15	0.018	75,752
Vignette score >12	Facility birth	0.73	0.71	0.76	<0.001	91,905
	Caesarean section	0.80	0.77	0.83	<0.001	91,415
	Perinatal mortality	1.03	1.00	1.06	0.033	91,925
	Early neonatal mortality	1.00	0.97	1.04	0.889	89,216
	First-day neonatal mortality	0.99	0.95	1.04	0.758	89,216
	Stillbirth	1.05	1.01	1.09	0.006	92,020
	Antepartum stillbirth	1.01	0.95	1.06	0.823	75,752
	Intrapartum stillbirth	1.12	1.06	1.19	<0.001	75,752

4) Three-level random effects model

To account for clustering of outcomes due to multiple deliveries of the same mother, we used three-level regression models with mother at level 2 and village/suburb at level 3. Results when using three-level regression models (Table A8) were similar to those using two-level models (compare Table A2).

We used two-level models as our main analysis because the running time for three-level models was extremely long.

Table A8: Crude associations of cluster-level facility birth, wealth and two distances with three mortality outcomes using a three-level random effects model

Each line of results comes from a separate regression model of an exposure on an outcome, using surveillance data from 2000 to 2009 (for antepartum and intrapartum stillbirth from 2003-2008, for maternal mortality from 2000-2008).

Exposure	Outcome	Odds Ratio	95% Confidence Interval		p-value	N
Cluster-level facility birth (per 20% increase)	Early neonatal mortality	1.02	0.99	1.06	0.209	95,262
	Antepartum stillbirth	0.99	0.95	1.04	0.700	77,786
	Intrapartum stillbirth	0.95	0.91	1.00	0.074	77,786
Household wealth (per quintile)	Early neonatal mortality	1.03	1.00	1.07	0.037	102,146
	Antepartum stillbirth	1.04	0.99	1.08	0.099	78,702
	Intrapartum stillbirth	0.94	0.90	1.00	0.032	78,702
Distance (logarithmic) to closest facility offering						
Any childbirth care	Early neonatal mortality	0.97	0.94	1.00	0.075	110,161
	Antepartum stillbirth	0.99	0.94	1.04	0.603	79,398
	Intrapartum stillbirth	1.05	0.99	1.11	0.079	79,398
Comprehensive Emergency Obstetric Care	Early neonatal mortality	0.99	0.95	1.02	0.357	110,161
	Antepartum stillbirth	0.98	0.93	1.03	0.324	79,398
	Intrapartum stillbirth	1.14	1.07	1.20	<0.001	79,398