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Table 1: Background characteristics of rickshaw pullers (% unless otherwise specified)

Characteristics	Duration of rickshaw pulling (in years)			
	<5	5-14	15+	Total
Average Age (years)	31.3	36.5	48.3	37.9
Marital Status				
Unmarried	23.7	10.0	-	10.9
Married	76.3	89.1	94.4	87.3
Widowed/Divorced	-	0.9	5.6	1.7
Education				
Uneducated	43.8	59.6	67.0	57.7
Primary incomplete	22.2	16.9	15.9	17.4
Primary complete	9.0	9.3	8.0	9.0
Secondary and above	23.6	12.0	6.8	13.4
SSC and above	3.4	2.2	2.3	2.5
Ownership of cultivable land				
None	43.8	63.6	75.0	61.7
1-49 decimals	19.1	24.0	19.0	21.9
50-99 decimals	16.9	8.4	3.4	9.2
100+ decimals	20.2	4.0	2.3	7.2
Ownership of house in village				
Yes	100.0	83.6	65.9	83.3
No	-	16.4	34.1	16.7
Ownership of house in Dhaka				
Yes	-	1.3	-	0.7
No	100.0	98.7	100.0	99.3
Wife's work status (restricted to married rickshaw pullers only)				
Does not work	95.5	78.1	74.7	80.6
Works as domestic	1.5	4.5	14.5	6.0
Garment worker	-	13.9	9.6	10.5
Other	3.0	3.5	1.2	2.9

Table 2: Distribution of rickshaw pullers by home district (%)

District	Proportion of rickshaw pullers from district
Mymensingh	21.4
Rangpur	15.3
Barisal	15.0
Faridpur	7.8
Bagura	7.2
Dhaka	6.1
Dinajpur	5.3
Comilla	5.3
Rajshahi	3.9

District	Proportion of rickshaw pullers from district
Khulna	3.6
Jessore	2.5
Noakhali	2.2
Tangail	1.4
Kushtia	0.6
Sylhet	0.6
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Table 3: Previous residence and current living arrangements of rickshaw pullers
(% unless otherwise specified)

	Duration of rickshaw pulling (years)			
	<5	5-14	15+	Total
Previous place of residence				
Village	100.0	89.1	84.2	90.5
Upazila	-	0.7	2.2	2.0
District	-	3.2	7.9	3.5
Metropolitan city/other	-	5.0	5.6	4.0
Duration of living in Dhaka (years)				
<5	86.5	5.3	-	22.1
5-9	11.2	64.9	9.0	40.8
10-19	2.2	22.2	30.3	19.4
20+	-	7.6	60.7	17.6
Mean duration	3.3	9.3	22.9	10.9
Living arrangement (restricted to married rickshaw pullers only)				
Live with family	43.8	58.2	85.2	60.9
Live with others	56.2	41.8	14.8	39.1
Ownership of current residence				
Rented house	61.3	81.4	92.1	79.1
Other non-paying arrangement	38.7	18.6	7.9	20.9

Table 4: Housing condition of rickshaw pullers (% unless otherwise specified)

	Duration of rickshaw pulling (years)			
	<5	5-14	15+	Total
Number of living room(s) in the house (for those living with family)				
1	97.4	93.9	89.3	93.1
2+	2.6	6.1	10.6	6.9
Density (people per living room)				
Live with family	3.8	4.2	4.8	4.3
Live with others	17.8	14.8	17.1	16.0
All	11.6	8.7	6.6	8.9
Material of roof (of those living with family)				
Brick	2.6	4.6	2.7	3.7
Tin	97.4	93.1	96.0	94.7
Bamboo/polythene etc.	-	2.3	1.3	1.6
Material of walls				
Brick	69.2	32.8	36.0	39.6
Tin	25.6	29.8	14.7	24.5
Bamboo/polythene etc.	5.1	37.4	49.3	35.9

Table 5: Basic amenities and selected items possessed by the households of those living in the Dhaka City with family (%)

	Can access facility	Facility is adequate	Do not share facility		Possesses item
Amenities				Household items	
Electricity	89.8	80.0	56.8	Almirah	14.3
Gas	51.8	41.6	4.7	Table/chair	35.9
Tap water	62.0	17.1	0.7	Clock/watch	46.5
Bathroom	78.4	1.6	0.0	Cot/bed/chowki	87.3
Latrine	98.8	5.7	2.1	Radio in good condition	23.3
Separate kitchen	61.2	6.9	7.3	Television in good condition	15.1
				Meat-safe	23.3

Table 6: Occupational background of the rickshaw pullers (%)

	Duration of rickshaw pulling (years)			
	<5	5-14	15+	Total
Economic activity before coming to Dhaka				
Rickshaw/van/pushcart driver	21.5	15.9	21.3	18.4
Non-agricultural labourer	-	9.5	12.4	8.0
Agricultural labour/farming	54.9	48.6	44.9	49.2
Skilled labour	1.1	2.7	-	1.7
Industrial worker	1.1	1.4	1.1	1.2
Petty business	8.6	7.7	7.9	8.0
Service	4.3	1.8	2.2	2.5
Education/minor	4.3	5.0	4.5	4.7
Unemployed	4.3	4.1	-	3.2
First economic activity in Dhaka				
Rickshaw/van/pushcart driver	84.9	76.4	77.5	78.6
Non-agricultural labourer	7.5	8.7	10.1	8.7
Skilled labourer	3.2	5.0	2.2	4.0
Industrial worker	-	0.9	1.1	0.7
Bus/taxi/tempo driver	-	0.5	-	0.2
Petty business	2.2	2.3	2.2	2.2
Service	1.1	5.0	3.4	3.7
Domestic labour/other	1.1	1.4	3.3	1.6

Table 7: Demographic background of the rickshaw pullers
(eve-married rickshaw pullers only) (% unless otherwise specified)

	Duration of rickshaw pulling (years)			
	<5	5-14	15+	Total
Proportion became father	78.9	95.5	98.9	93.0
Number of living children				
0	22.4	4.5	-	6.8
1	20.9	19.4	6.0	16.5
2	25.4	22.9	9.6	20.2
3	17.9	19.9	19.3	19.4
4	4.5	13.4	19.3	13.1
5+	9.0	19.9	45.8	23.9
Children born alive (mean #)	2.18	2.97	4.51	3.20
Children surviving	1.93	2.51	3.73	2.70
Children dead	0.25	0.47	0.78	0.50
Proportion of children died	11	16	17	16
Proportion experienced child death	16	29	43	31
Household size (for those living with family in Dhaka)	3.89	4.25	5.24	4.50
Average number supported by rickshaw puller	4.44	4.80	5.44	4.94

Table 8: Characteristics of living children (%)

Age	
0-4	19.9
5-9	27.9
10-14	22.3
15-19	14.7
20-34	13.8
35+	1.3
Sex	
Boy	47.5
Girl	52.5

Education (# years, for those 5+ years old)	
0	33.4 (55.1)
1-4	42.6 (15.7)
5	13.2 (15.0)
6-10	9.8 (11.5)
SSC and above	1.0 (2.7)
Marital status	
Unmarried	84.6
Married	15.3
Widowed/divorced	0.1

Note: Figures in parentheses refer to children aged 20+.

Table 9: Proportion of school-age children (5-15) currently attending school

Rickshaw pullers' work characteristics	Family lives in Dhaka	Family lives in village	Children of all rickshaw pullers
Daily attendance			
Full day	64.2	71.9	67.1
Half day	45.5	80.8	52.2
Year-round attendance			
Whole year	57.7	70.6	61.9
Seasonal/ occasional	77.8	94.7	89.0
Weekly attendance			
<6 days	48.9	92.3	58.3
6 days	64.5	66.7	65.4
7 days	58.1	74.1	63.2

Rickshaw pullers' work characteristics	Family lives in Dhaka	Family lives in village	Children of all rickshaw pullers
Hours spent in a day in rickshaw pulling			
< 8	41.1	76.9	47.6
8-9	58.8	74.3	62.8
10+	64.4	72.6	67.8
Age of rickshaw puller			
< 30	50.0	57.1	54.5*
30-44	64.4	76.5	68.7
45+	48.5	67.4	53.4
All	58.2	73.3	63.4

* In total, only 11 children are in this group.

Table10: School attendance and employment rate among children aged 5-15 (%)

	Proportion attending school	Proportion employed	
		Regularly	Irregularly
Living arrangements			
Live in Dhaka City	58.9	8.2	2.3
Live elsewhere	72.6	2.8	0.6
Duration of rickshaw pulling (years)			
< 5	88.9	-	-
5-14	63.5	6.4	1.0
15+	52.5	9.9	3.7
All	63.4	6.7	1.7

Table 11: Employment status and occupation of the children (%)

Employment status/ Occupation	Age of children (years)			
	10-14	15-19	20+	All
Employment Status	Both sexes			
Regularly employed	9.3	40.1	55.8	31.5
Irregularly employed	2.3	10.6	6.1	5.7
Unemployed	88.4	49.3	38.1	62.8
	Sons			
Regularly employed	9.7	54.1	93.2	48.7
Irregularly employed	4.3	16.4	5.4	7.9
Unemployed	86.0	29.5	1.4	43.4
	Daughters			
Regularly employed	8.9	29.6	17.8	17.3
Irregularly employed	0.8	6.2	6.8	4.0
Unemployed	90.2	64.2	75.3	78.7
	Sons			
Occupation				
Rickshaw/van/pushcart driver	-	3.0	20.3	13.5
Day labourer (agricultural, non-agricultural)	22.2	24.3	30.4	27.9
Skill labourer	77.8	60.6	31.9	44.1
Industrial labourer	-	-	2.9	1.8
Bus/taxi/tempo driver	-	-	2.9	1.8
Petty business	-	3.0	4.3	3.6
Service	-	9.1	5.8	6.3
Other	-	-	1.4	0.9
	Daughters			
Garment worker	90.9	91.7	92.3	91.7
Domestic work	9.1	4.2	7.7	4.2
Other	-	4.2	-	4.1

Table 12: Information relating to deceased children (%)

Age at death (years)		Type of treatment received	
< 1 year	42.9	Medical college/other hospitals/institutions	15.5
1-4	34.5	Private clinic	1.4
5-14	14.3	Private doctors	29.6
15+	8.4	Homeopath	2.8
Sex of the dead child		Hekimi/kabiraji	38.0
Boy	64.7	Totka/spiritual etc.	12.7
Girl	35.3	Reason for not treating child at the time of death	
If treated at the time of death		Did not think necessary	4.2
Yes	59.7	Had financial problem	6.2
No	40.3	Child died suddenly	87.5
		Other	2.1

Table 13: Cause of child death by age at death

	Age at death (years)			
	< 1	1-4	5+	All
Don't know	31.4	19.5	11.1	22.7
Accident/unfortunate event	2.0	24.4	14.8	12.6
Cold/fever/pneumonia etc.	11.8	19.5	18.5	16.0
Jaundice	2.0	9.8	-	4.2
Diarrhoeal diseases including dysentery	5.9	7.3	25.9	10.9
Tetanus	5.9	2.4	-	3.4
Diphtheria	-	4.9	-	1.7
Died soon after birth	11.8	-	-	5.0
Supernatural causes	23.5	9.8	25.9	19.3
Other	5.9	2.4	3.7	3.4
N	51	41	27	119

Table 14: Characteristics of rickshaw pulling (% unless otherwise specified)

	Duration of rickshaw pulling (years)			
	<5	5-14	15+	Total
Average duration of rickshaw pulling (years)	2.5	8.0	23.5	10.1
Ownership of rickshaw				
Self	5.4	14.1	18.0	12.9
Mahajan	94.6	85.9	82.0	87.1
Proportion who received training	88.2	23.1	22.7	37.6
Amount of training (days, for those who received training)	1.7	4.7	4.4	3.0
Person provided training				
Rickshaw puller's friend	84.8	88.5	75.0	84.7
Rickshaw owner's agent	1.3	3.8	10.0	3.3
Other	13.9	7.6	15.0	12.0
Nature of engagement				
Whole year	77.4	95.0	100.0	92.0
Seasonal	17.2	4.5	-	6.5
Occasional	5.4	0.5	-	1.5
Weekly engagement				
<= 5 days	11.9	8.6	9.0	9.5
6 days	40.9	23.2	27.0	28.1
7 days	47.3	68.2	64.0	62.4
Daily schedule				
Whole day (morning until night)	13.5	7.6	12.5	10.0
Full time (morning until evening)	74.2	60.9	48.9	61.2
Half time	12.4	31.6	38.8	28.9
Hours in a day				
<8 hours	7.5	22.3	23.6	19.2
8-9 hours	4.3	25.5	33.7	22.4
10+ hours	88.2	52.3	42.7	58.7
Average number of hours	9.9	9.3	8.7	9.3
If engaged in other activity				
Yes	5.4	5.0	6.7	5.5
No	94.6	95.0	93.3	94.5
N	89	225	88	402

Table 15: Characteristics of rickshaw pulling by duration of occupation, controlling for age (% unless otherwise specified)

Labour inputs	Duration of rickshaw pulling (years)		
	< 5	5-9	10+
Rickshaw pullers aged under 30 years			
Work full-day/whole day daily	87.8	55.6	-
Work < 8 hours a day	7.3	55.5	-
Work > 8 hours a day	92.7	44.5	-
Work < 6 days a week	7.3	6.7	-
Work > 6 days a week	51.2	75.6	-
N	41	45	2
Rickshaw pullers aged between 30-39			
Work full-day/whole day daily	93.9	78.6	60.4
Work < 8 hours a day	6.1	26.8	39.6
Work > 8 hours a day	93.9	73.2	60.4
Work < 6 days a week	6.1	6.5	6.2
Work 7 days a week	51.5	69.6	72.9
N	33	56	48
Rickshaw pullers aged 40+			
Work full-day/whole day daily	73.3	75.0	63.2
Work < 8 hours a day	40.0	30.4	43.4
Work > 8 hours a day	60.0	69.6	56.6
Work < 6 days a week	40.0	12.5	10.4
Work 7 days a week	26.7	64.3	61.3
N	15	56	106

Table 16: Reason(s) of accepting rickshaw pulling work, and for working more or fewer hours/days (%)

Reason for ...	Duration of rickshaw pulling (years)			
	<5	5-14	15+	Total
Accepting rickshaw pulling work				
To earn more money	94.4	41.8	47.7	54.7
For regular income	61.8	70.2	82.9	71.1
Easily available/does not require capital, skill, etc.	25.8	96.9	100.0	82.6
Lost previous job/previous job not satisfactory	24.7	16.4	9.1	16.7
Influence of friend/relatives	38.2	16.0	12.5	20.1
Non-availability of any other job	34.8	25.3	23.5	27.1
Pulling rickshaw every day				
To meet daily expenses	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
To earn more income	59.5	64.7	49.1	60.4
For children's education	7.1	19.0	30.9	19.6
To save for other work	2.4	4.6	3.6	4.0
For sister's/daughter's marriage	-	3.9	20.0	6.8
For meeting health expenses of a family member	4.8	0.7	1.8	1.6
Pulling rickshaw only half day				
No rickshaw available for full day	18.2	12.7	14.7	13.8
Difficult physically	90.9	76.1	88.2	81.0
Other work	-	15.5	-	9.5
Pulling rickshaw for fewer than 6 days a week				
Physical incapacity	90.9	88.9	100.0	94.4
No rickshaw available	-	5.6	-	2.8
Other work	9.1	11.1	14.3	11.1

Table 17: Reason(s) of abandoning rickshaw pulling job by former rickshaw pullers (%)

	Duration of rickshaw pulling (years)			
	< 5	5-14	15+	Total
Age	-	1.7	8.3	2.0
Illness	10.3	8.8	16.7	10.2
Accident	3.4	5.3	8.3	5.1
Physically unsustainable/weakness etc.	72.4	87.7	91.7	83.7
To earn higher income	24.1	15.8	-	16.3
Shortage of rickshaw	3.5	-	-	4.1
Other (problems with police/court, road restrictions, etc.)	-	19.3	-	12.2
N	29	57	12	98

Table 18: Main or major problem in rickshaw pulling (%)

	Duration of rickshaw pulling (years)			
	<5	5-14	15+	Total
Current rickshaw pullers				
Excessively tiring/strenuous	100.0	65.3	70.5	74.4
Fear of accident	28.1	50.2	37.5	42.5
Theft of rickshaw	22.5	32.4	26.1	28.8
Police etc.	2.2	7.6	12.5	7.5
	Duration of rickshaw pulling (years)			
	<5	5-9	10+	Total
Former rickshaw pullers				
Excessively tiring/strenuous	86.2	97.4	88.9	91.6
Fear of accident	51.7	38.5	40.7	43.2
Theft of rickshaw	55.2	46.2	22.2	42.1
Other	6.9	7.7	18.5	10.5

Table 19: Monthly household income of current rickshaw pullers by income source and duration of rickshaw pulling (%) (ever-married, living in Dhaka with family)

	Income in taka/duration of rickshaw pulling (years)			
	< 5	5-14	15+	Total
Income from rickshaw pulling	4068	3800	3680	3807
Wife's income	-	396	325	310
Children's income	53	308	597	358
Land/other asset	39	83	180	107
Income from other family member	-	17	-	9
Total	4174	4711	4822	4591
<i>Income per household member</i>	<i>1073</i>	<i>1109</i>	<i>920</i>	<i>1020</i>
	Percentage distribution			
Income from rickshaw pulling	97.8	80.7	76.3	81.7
Wife's income	-	8.4	6.7	6.7
Children's income	1.3	6.5	12.4	7.7
Land/other asset	0.9	1.8	3.7	2.3
Income from other family member	-	0.4	-	0.2
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

Note: Information relates to month prior to data collection.

Table 20: Monthly household income of current and former rickshaw pullers, by income source and age group (%; ever-married, living in Dhaka with family)

	Income in taka/age group (years)			
	< 30	30-44	45+	Total
Current rickshaw puller				
Income from rickshaw pulling	3778	3928	3599	3807
Wife's income	270	340	270	310
Children's income	-	192	764	358
Land/other asset	65	92	148	107
Income from other family member	87	-	-	9
Total	4200	4551	4748	4591
<i>Income per household member</i>	<i>1325</i>	<i>1063</i>	<i>894</i>	<i>1020</i>
Former rickshaw puller				
Own income	2967	4002	2273	3361
Wife's income	250	393	420	389
Children's income	-	37	791	274
Land/other asset	-	134	273	167
Help	-	-	32	10
Total	3217	4566	3789	4201
<i>Income per household member</i>	<i>919</i>	<i>1069</i>	<i>750</i>	<i>944</i>

Table 21: Household income and expenditure of the former rickshaw pullers, by duration of rickshaw pulling (%; ever-married, living in Dhaka with family)

	Duration of rickshaw pulling (years) before stopping				
	< 5	5-9	10+	15+	Total
Income					
Own income	3230	3858	2608	2598	3361
Wife's income	342	518	221	422	389
Children's income	38	127	592	556	274
Land/other asset	-	-	479	-	167
Help	-	-	29	56	10
Total income	3610	4503	3929	3623	4201
<i>Income per household member</i>	<i>809</i>	<i>1093</i>	<i>800</i>	<i>725</i>	<i>944</i>
Expenditure					
Food etc.	2200	2397	2635	2389	2475
Housing	661	836	656	444	754
Clothing	108	83	48	22	77
Children's education	38	61	114	39	76
Travel	35	64	13	-	42
Sent to others	38	49	52	133	54
Loan repayment	17	20	17	44	19
Own treatment	50	32	95	128	57
Treatment of family members	130	35	30	20	52
Other	-	-	30	-	10
Total expenses	3277	3577	3690	3219	3616
<i>Per capita expenses</i>	<i>735</i>	<i>868</i>	<i>752</i>	<i>645</i>	<i>804</i>

Note: In total, 8 former rickshaw pullers reported no, or no regular, economic activity. Of these, one left rickshaw pulling within under 5 years, 2 left between 5 and 9 years, and 5 after 10 years.

Table 22: Relative income of former rickshaw pullers from first occupation after abandoning rickshaw pulling (%)

	Duration of rickshaw pulling (years)				
	< 5	5-9	10+	15+	Total
More than rickshaw pulling	34.5	47.5	20.8	11.1	36.6
Same as rickshaw pulling	31.0	30.0	41.7	33.3	33.3
Less than rickshaw pulling	34.5	22.5	37.5	55.6	30.3

Table 23: Poverty levels among current rickshaw pullers, by duration of rickshaw pulling (%; ever-married and living in Dhaka with family)

	Duration of rickshaw pulling (years)			
	< 5	5-14	15+	Total
Extremely poor*	-	2.4	5.3	2.9
Poor	10.5	12.8	21.3	15.1
Non-poor	89.5	84.8	73.3	81.9

* 60% of poverty line

Table 24: Poverty levels among former rickshaw pullers, by duration of rickshaw pulling by them (%; ever-married and living in Dhaka with family)

	Duration of rickshaw pulling (years)				
	< 5	5-9	10+	15+	Total
Extremely poor*	23.1	9.1	8.7	-	11.6
Poor	7.7	9.1	26.1	40.0	14.5
Non-poor	69.2	81.8	65.2	60.0	73.9

* 60% of poverty line

Table 25: Poverty levels among current and former rickshaw pullers, by age group (%; those live in Dhaka with family)

	Age group (years)			
	<30	30-44	45+	All
Current rickshaw pullers				
Extremely poor*	4.3	1.4	5.2	2.9
Poor	8.7	13.0	20.8	15.1
Non-poor	87.0	85.5	74.0	81.9
Former rickshaw pullers				
Extremely poor*	16.7	9.8	13.6	11.6
Poor	16.7	7.3	27.3	14.5
Non-poor	66.7	82.9	59.1	73.9

* 60% of poverty line

Table 26: Current occupation of former rickshaw pullers, by age group (%)

	Age group (years)			
	<30	30-44	45+	All
Van driver	-	2.0	3.8	2.0
Non-agricultural labourer	36.4	20.0	7.7	20.4
Skilled labourer	18.2	18.0	7.7	15.3
Industrial labour	4.5	-	-	1.0
Bus/taxi/tempo Driver	4.5	4.0	-	3.1
Garage owner	-	10.0	7.7	7.1
Business/shop	31.8	38.0	34.6	35.7
Service	4.5	4.0	7.7	5.1
Unemployed	-	2.0	19.2	5.1
Other/undefined work	-	2.0	11.5	5.1
N	22	50	26	98

Table 27: Reasons of abandoning rickshaw pulling by former rickshaw puller by age group (%)

	Age of former rickshaw puller (years)			
	< 30	30-44	45+	All
Age	-	-	7.7	1.0
Illness	-	6.0	26.9	10.2
Accident	-	4.0	11.5	5.1
Physical unsustainability/exhaustion/weakness etc.	77.3	88.0	80.8	83.7
Higher income	18.2	18.2	11.5	16.3
Shortage of rickshaw etc.	4.5	6.0	-	4.1
Other (problems with police/court, road restrictions, etc.)	26.9	20.0	27.7	19.4
N	22	50	26	98

Table 28: Monthly expenses of rickshaw pullers' households (%; ever-married, living in Dhaka with family)

	Expenses in taka/duration of rickshaw pulling (years)			
	< 5	5-14	15+	All
Food etc.	2257	2403	2602	2443
Housing	903	800	1009	883
Clothing	89	135	133	127
Children's education	103	141	116	127
Travel	53	64	40	55
Entertainment/recreation	3	1	-	1
Sent to family members/relatives	166	139	121	138
Repay loan	13	51	155	78
Rickshaw related (repair etc.)	-	21	61	31
Asset acquisition	-	-	40	13
Addiction	-	6	40	16
Own treatment	107	76	102	89
Family members' treatment	3	90	102	80
Total	3697	3927	4521	4081
Expenses per household member	948	924	863	907
	% of total expenses			
Food etc.	61.0	61.2	57.6	59.9
Housing	24.4	20.4	22.3	21.6
Clothing	2.4	3.4	2.9	3.1
Children's education	2.8	3.6	2.6	3.1
Travel	1.4	1.6	0.9	1.3
Entertainment/recreation	-	-	-	-
Sent to family members/relatives	4.5	3.5	2.7	3.4
Repay loan	0.4	1.3	3.4	1.9
Rickshaw related (repair etc.)	-	0.5	1.3	0.8
Asset acquisition	-	-	0.9	0.3
Addiction	-	0.2	0.9	0.4
Own treatment	2.9	1.9	2.3	2.2
Family members' treatment	-	2.3	2.3	2.0
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

Note: Information relates to month prior to data collection.

Table 29: How rickshaw pullers spend leisure time (%)

	Duration of rickshaw pulling (years)			
	< 5	5-14	15+	Total
Nothing/sleep/take rest etc.	14.6	56.0	59.1	46.0
Family work	36.0	11.6	13.6	17.4
Gossip/wander about	100.0	61.8	51.1	67.7
Listen to radio	5.6	0.4	-	1.5
Watch TV	2.2	1.8	2.3	2.0
Spend time with children	-	6.7	2.3	4.2
Go to cinema	-	5.8	1.1	3.5
Do religious work	3.4	6.2	15.9	7.7
Addiction	-	0.4	-	0.2

Table 30: Indicators of well-being of rickshaw pullers

(%; ever-married, living in Dhaka with family)

	Duration of rickshaw pulling (years)			
	< 5	5-14	15+	Total
Able to eat three times a day				
Yes	81.6	81.6	72.0	78.6
No	18.4	18.4	28.0	21.4
Able to generate surplus from income				
Yes	65.8	50.4	38.7	49.2
No	34.2	49.6	61.3	50.8
Has any savings currently				
Yes	65.8	40.0	37.3	43.3
No	34.2	60.0	62.7	56.7
Saves for the future				
Yes	56.2	47.6	33.0	46.3
No	43.8	52.4	67.0	53.7
Has acquired any assets				
Yes	52.6	49.6	42.7	47.9
No	47.4	50.4	57.3	52.1

Table 31: Average value of savings and assets of rickshaw pullers

(taka; ever-married, living in Dhaka with family)

	Duration of rickshaw pulling (years)			
	< 5	5-14	15+	Total
Average saving	2895 (4400)	4692 (11730)	4479 (11996)	4338 (10023)
Average value of assets acquired	6992 (13285)	6122 (12343)	5791 (13573)	6156 (12852)

Note: Figures in parentheses relate to those who have *positive* savings/assets.

Table 32: Type of assets acquired by rickshaw pullers

	Proportion who acquired asset (%)	Average value of asset (per rickshaw puller, in taka)	Proportion of total value of all assets (%)
Land	19.1 (40.0)	3275	49.7
House	9.2 (19.2)	1045	15.8
Cow/goat	8.5 (8.5)	257	3.9
Cash savings	2.0 (4.1)	67	1.5
Rickshaw	9.5 (19.7)	643	9.8
Television	6.5 (13.5)	239	3.6
Radio	10.2 (21.2)	71	1.1
Furniture	14.4 (30.0)	359	5.4
Jewellery	10.2 (21.2)	453	6.9
Other	2.7	153	2.3
Total		6562	100.0

Note: Figures in parentheses relate to rickshaw pullers who acquired assets.

Table 33: Information on credit access and outstanding loans of rickshaw pullers (ever-married rickshaw pullers, living in Dhaka with family)(% unless otherwise specified)

	Duration of rickshaw pulling (years)			
	< 5	5-14	15+	Total
Availability of urgent loan				
Yes	64.0	60.0	58.0	60.4
Sometimes	36.0	33.4	35.2	34.3
No	-	6.7	6.9	5.2
Proportion with outstanding loan				
	47.2	44.4	47.7	45.8
Average amount of outstanding loan in Tk. (figures in parentheses relate to rickshaw pullers with debt)				
	2566 (5437)	1890 (4252)	3544 (7426)	2368 (5535)
Debt:savings ratio				
	1.30	0.45	0.89	0.66
Amount of loan (taka; of those with outstanding loans)				
< 1000	7.1	13.0	9.5	10.9
1000-1999	14.3	17.0	14.3	15.8
2000-4999	35.7	38.0	28.6	35.3
5000-9999	23.8	20.0	19.0	20.7
10000-24999	16.7	12.0	23.8	15.8
25000+	2.4	-	4.8	1.6
Type of interest				
No interest	26.2	41.0	25.6	34.1
Weekly interest	33.3	7.0	4.7	12.9
Monthly interest	40.5	44.0	55.8	45.9
Annual interest	-	8.0	11.6	7.0
Source of loan				
Bank	11.9	3.0	2.3	4.9
NGO	31.0	16.0	20.9	20.5
Samity/cooperatives	7.1	6.0	14.0	8.1
Friends/relatives/neighbour/rickshaw owner	50.0	74.0	60.5	65.4
Mortgage of asset/land/house	-	1.0	2.3	1.1
Reason for taking loan				
To meet living expenses	17.1	23.0	9.3	18.5
To acquire asset	36.5	26.0	32.6	29.3
Rickshaw repair/compensation for rickshaw loss/police case etc.	-	5.0	-	2.7
Social cause (marriage of daughter, sister)	4.9	6.0	14.0	7.6
Children's education	2.4	1.0	4.6	2.2
Treatment for self	17.1	14.0	23.3	16.8
Treatment for family members	22.0	24.0	11.6	20.6
Other (gambling, going abroad, land problem, etc.)	-	2.0	4.6	2.2

Table 34: Crises faced by sample rickshaw pullers during the last five years

	Duration of rickshaw pulling (years)			
	< 5	5-14	15+	Total
Proportion that experienced one or more crises	64.0	74.7	85.2	74.6
Average number of crises encountered (among all rickshaw pullers)	2.1	1.7	1.9	1.8
	Proportion that experienced specific crisis			
Heath-related	73.0	61.8	76.1	67.4
Social	9.0	16.9	22.7	16.4
Misfortunes	-	9.3	15.9	8.7
Natural	3.4	3.1	2.3	3.0
Personal insecurity	53.9	48.4	59.1	52.0
	Distribution of crises			
Heath-related	52.4	44.3	43.2	45.7
Social	6.5	12.1	12.9	11.1
Misfortunes	-	6.7	9.0	5.9
Natural	2.4	2.2	1.3	2.0
Personal insecurity	38.7	34.7	33.5	35.2
	Cost per crisis (taka)			
Heath-related	4147	6785	5513	5838
Social	13875	9739	18245	12818
Misfortunes	-	2731	3169	2906
Natural	9000	5214	27500	9875
Personal insecurity	2950	4625	6821	4787
All types	4429	6087	7667	6153
	Distribution of costs associated with crises			
Heath-related	49.1	49.3	31.1	43.3
Social	20.2	19.4	30.7	23.2
Misfortunes	-	3.0	3.7	2.8
Natural	4.9	1.9	4.6	3.2
Personal insecurity	25.8	26.4	29.8	27.4
All types	100.0 (549,160)	100.0 (1,911,290)	100.0 (1,188,320)	100.0 (3,648,770)

Note: figures in parentheses represent total Taka spent.

Table 35: Health status of rickshaw pullers by age group

	Age group (in years)			
	< 30	30-44	45+	Total
Perceived health status				
Good	81.8	63.5	28.2	58.5
Not so good	9.1	19.4	33.0	20.6
Bad	9.1	17.1	38.8	20.9
Perceived reason for poor health				
Health problem	37.5	48.6	48.8	38.1
Weakness	75.0	60.0	97.6	79.8
Morbidity rate				
Acute illness (on day of interview)	2.2	11.1	21.6	11.4
Acute illness (during past month)	43.8	35.6	42.0	38.8
Repeat/chronic illness	37.1	27.1	51.1	39.6
Major illness (during last five years)	33.7	22.7	34.0	27.6

Table 36: Patterns of illnesses of rickshaw pullers (% of total illness)

	Duration of rickshaw puling			
	< 5	5-14	15+	Total
	Acute illness			
Accident	-	1.2	7.5	2.4
Diarrhoea/dysentery	7.1	3.6	5.0	4.8
Fever/cold	38.1	34.5	20.0	31.9
Asthma	2.4	-	-	0.6
TB	-	-	5.0	1.2
Jaundice	14.3	1.2	7.5	6.0
Gastroenteric problems (ulcers, acidity)	2.4	15.5	15.0	12.0
Chest/body etc. pain including rheumatic pain	-	15.5	17.5	13.8
Skin disease/STD	0.5	3.6	2.5	3.0
Physical weakness	21.4	16.7	10.0	16.3
Non-communicable disease	-	2.4	5.0	2.4
Other	4.8	6.0	5.0	5.4
Total (N)	100.0 (42)	100.0 (84)	100.0(40)	100.0(166)
	Long term/Chronic illness			
Diarrhoea/dysentery	4.8	6.1	1.9	4.4
Fever/cold	-	1.5	-	0.6
Asthma	7.1	1.5	1.9	3.1
TB	-	1.5	1.9	1.2
Jaundice	-	-	5.8	1.9
Gastroenteric problems (ulcers, acidity)	26.2	27.3	21.2	25.0
Chest/body etc. pain including rheumatic pain	11.9	19.7	34.6	22.4
Skin disease/STD	9.5	4.5	-	4.4
Physical weakness	23.8	28.8	7.7	20.6
Non-communicable disease	7.1	3.0	11.5	6.2
Other	9.5	3.0	11.5	7.5
Total (N)	100.0 (42)	100.0 (66)	100.0 (52)	100.0 (160)
	Major illness			
Accident	-	68.6	59.1	55.2
Diarrhoea/dysentery	10.0	-	4.5	3.0
Asthma	10.0	-	-	1.5
Malaria	10.0	-	-	1.5
Typhoid	-	5.7	-	3.0
Jaundice	-	8.6	4.5	6.0
Gastroenteric problems (ulcers, acidity)	30.0	11.4	4.5	11.9
Chest/body etc. pain including rheumatic pain	-	-	4.5	1.5
Skin disease/STD	10.0	-	-	1.5
Non-communicable disease	30.0	5.2	22.6	15.0
Total (N)	100.0 (10)	100.0 (35)	100.0 (22)	100.0 (67)

Table 37: Prevalence of chronic/long-term ill-health among rickshaw pullers (%)

	Duration of rickshaw pulling (years)			
	< 5	5-14	15+	Total
Diarrhoea/dysentery	2.2	1.8	1.1	1.7
Fever/cold	-	0.4	-	0.2
Asthma	3.4	0.4	1.1	1.2
TB	-	0.4	1.1	0.5
Gastroenteric problems (ulcers, acidity)	12.4	8.0	12.5	10.0
Jaundice	-	-	3.4	0.7
Chest/body etc. pain including rheumatic pain	4.5	5.8	20.5	8.9
Skin disease/STD	4.5	1.3	-	1.7
Physical weakness	11.2	8.4	4.5	8.2
Non-communicable disease	4.5	-	3.4	2.0

Table 38: Treatment of illness (%)

	Duration of rickshaw pulling (years)			
	< 5	5-14	15+	Total
	Acute illness			
Proportion of illnesses that received treatment	100.0	81.0	90.0	88.0
Proportion of illnesses that received adequate treatment	95.2	71.4	69.4	77.3
Source of treatment				
Medical college/other hospitals	4.0	5.5	10.2	6.2
Private clinics/other institutional facilities	-	2.7	7.7	3.1
Private qualified allopathic practitioners	46.0	37.0	30.8	38.3
Pharmacy	36.0	46.6	25.6	38.3
NGO	-	2.7	2.6	1.9
Homeopathy	-	2.7	5.1	2.5
Hekimi/Kabiraji	12.0	1.4	12.8	7.4
Totka/spiritualist	2.0	1.4	5.1	2.5
	Major illness			
Proportion of illnesses that received treatment	90.0	100.0	100.0	98.5
Source of treatment				
Medical college/other hospitals	27.3	50.0	52.2	47.1
Private clinics/other institutional facilities	-	8.3	11.5	7.1
Private qualified allopathic practitioners	54.5	27.8	26.1	31.4
Pharmacy	9.1	2.8	4.3	4.3
NGO	-	-	-	-
Homeopathy	-	5.6	-	2.9
Hekimi/Kabiraji	9.1	-	8.7	4.3
Totka/spiritualist	-	5.6	-	2.9

Table 39: Reason(s) for not receiving treatment, or receiving inadequate treatment, for acute illness (%)

	Duration of rickshaw pulling (years)			
	< 5	5-14	15+	Total
Reasons for not receiving treatment				
Illness perceived not serious	-	31.6	50.0	34.8
Lack of money	-	57.9	25.0	52.2
Other	-	10.5	25.0	13.0
Reasons for inadequate treatment				
Monetary*	100.0	91.7	91.0	91.9
Other	-	8.3	9.0	8.1

* Includes lack of money, pressure to earn money, no free treatment available etc.

Table 40: Cost of illness, financing of the cost and impact of major ailments (%) unless otherwise specified)

	Duration of rickshaw pulling (years)			
	< 5	5-14	15+	Total
Acute illness				
Days suffered during last episode	5.5	9.6	11.9	9.2
Proportion who could not work	76.2	56.0	80.0	66.0
Days could not work fully (all rickshaw pullers)	3.7	6.0	9.1	4.2
Days could only work partly (all rickshaw pullers)	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.2
Treatment cost per episode (taka; figures in parentheses refer to treated illness only)	292	194 (226)	371 (413)	263 (289)
Source of financing treatment cost				
Own income	100.0	94.3	83.3	93.2
Own savings	-	5.8	13.9	6.1
Informal loan	-	4.3	16.7	6.1
Sale of assets	-	-	2.8	0.7
Other	-	4.3	0.7	2.8
Major illness				
Proportion hospitalised	10.0	57.1	45.5	46.3
Proportion who could not work	50.0	94.0	100.0	89.0
Days could not work	12	36	57	44.2
Treatment cost per episode (taka)	6050	4738	6318	5453
Source of financing treatment cost				
Own income	90.0	62.9	45.5	61.2
Savings	30.0	31.4	27.3	29.9
Sale of assets	10.0	17.1	18.2	16.4
Loan from institutions/individuals	20.0	20.0	40.9	26.9
Help from friends/relatives	-	17.1	9.1	11.9
NGO	10.0	2.9	4.5	4.5
Impact on self				
None	10.0	40.0	22.7	29.9
Loss of organ	10.0	14.3	13.7	13.4
Reduced capacity to work	80.0	45.7	63.7	57.7
Impact on others				
None	60.0	28.7	-	23.9
Children's education hampered	-	5.7	9.1	6.0
Family suffered lack of basic needs	40.0	68.6	95.5	74.6

Table 41: Distribution of rickshaw pullers who suffered ill-health, by health care cost (%)

Cost in taka	Proportion of rickshaw pullers	Cost in taka	Proportion of rickshaw pullers
Acute illness		Major illness	
No cost	11.0	< 1000	15.0
< 50	9.0	1000-1999	16.7
50-99	18.1	2000-3999	23.4
100-199	16.1	4000-4999	5.0
200-299	18.7	5000-9999	16.7
300-499	12.3	10000-14999	11.7
500-999	7.1	15000-24999	6.7
1000+	7.7	25000+	5.0