Reviewer's report

Title: Rural-urban differentials in pregnancy-related mortality in Zambia: estimates using data collected in a census

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The authors have done an excellent, thorough job of addressing all the comments. The writing and discussion are much improved and this paper is likely to be influential! One small comment/question only:

On page 13, the sentence that says "20% of pregnancy-related deaths were found to have been misclassified by households as having occurred during pregnancy" seems to have a typo because deaths occurring during pregnancy would also have to be pregnancy-related. Do the authors perhaps mean to say "postpartum" rather than "pregnancy-related?"

Otherwise, no further comments.

Level of interest: An article of importance in its field

Quality of written English: Acceptable

Statistical review: No, the manuscript does not need to be seen by a statistician.

Declaration of competing interests:

I declare that I have no competing interests.