

TABLE 2: STATISTICAL SUMMARY OF THE EXPLANATORY VARIABLES

EXPLANATORY VARIABLES	SUMMARY	
	NUMBER	PERCENTAGE (%)
Maternal factors		
Maternal education		
No education	1,4418	50.3
Primary	6,552	22.9
Secondary or higher	7,677	26.8
Maternal occupation	9,035	31.7
Not working	9,035	31.7
Business or cleric	9,985	35.1
Manual	9,470	33.2
Parity		
1	3,061	10.7
2, 3 and 4	13,759	48.0
≥5	11,827	41.3
Marital status		
Never married	506	1.8
Currently married	27,378	95.6
Formerly married	762	2.7
Maternal age		
≤ 20 years	3,319	11.6
21 – 25 years	6,787	23.7
26 – 30 years	8,157	28.5
31 – 35 years	5,043	17.6
> 35 years	5,341	18.6
Maternal age at first marriage		
< 15 years	7,967	28.3
15 – 19 years	12,706	45.2
20 – 24 years	5,243	18.6
≥ 25 years	2,225	7.9
Family planning		
No method	24,952	87.1
Folkloric / traditional	1,072	3.7
Modern	2,647	9.2
Preceding birth interval		
< 18 months	1,719	7.4
18 – 36 months	12,634	54.3
> 36 months	8,902	38.3
Breastfeeding		
< 6 months	4,722	17.5

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6 – 12 months	6,266	23.2
>12 – 18 months	8,629	32.0
>18 months	7,351	27.3
Health seeking behaviour		
Low	15,722	49.0
Average	5704	21.4
Good	5224	19.6
Child factors		
Sex		
Male	14,604	51.0
Female	14,043	49.0
Birth order		
1,	5, 353	18.7
2 to 4	13,069	45.6
≥5	10,225	35.7
Birth weight		
Large	13, 012	46.5
Average	10,732	38.4
Small	4,239	15.1
Paternal & family factors		
Family size		
1 – 5	11,557	40.3
>5	17,090	59.7
Sanitation		
Good toilet	2,955	10.5
Bad toilet	25,136	89.5
Fuel sources		
Gas	250	0.9
Kerosene	3,606	12.7
Other	24,518	86.4
No of wives		
One wife	18,063	66.4
Two or more wives	9,128	33.6
Wealth index		
Poor	14,475	50.5
Middle	5,609	19.6
Rich	8,563	29.9
Water source		
Safe water	13,021	46.3
Unsafe water	15,122	53.7
Paternal age		
< 22 years	264	1.0

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22 – 30 years	5,453	20.3
31 – 40 years	10,854	40.4
41 – 50 years	7,011	26.0
>50 years	3,277	12.2
Paternal occupation		
Business or cleric	7,815	28.1
Farming	12,645	45.5
Manual	7,312	26.3
Others factors		
Residence		
Rural	21,034	73.4
Urban	7,613	26.6
Ethnicity		
Major	16,838	59.1
Minor	11,643	40.9
Region		
North central	5,046	17.6
North east	6,559	22.9
North west	7,947	27.7
South east	2,450	8.6
South west	3,327	11.6
South south	3,318	11.6

