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Subject: Re: Number of under five children in the family  
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When we tabulate stunting in DHS we do this for the de facto population (those children who, in fact, stayed in the household the previous night - hv103==1). Some of these children may not be de jure residents of the household (usual residents), but rather visitors to the household who stayed the previous night. When you then disaggregate the results by the total number of de jure (usual) residents under the age of 5, then you might find some households that had some de facto children under age 5 (those who stayed in the household the previous night), but no de jure residents. I think I would recommend that if you are analyzing the number of de facto children then I suggest using the total number of de facto children under 5 instead of the total number of de jure children under the age of 5, but that depends on the aim of your analysis.

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