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Subject: Re: Contraception discontinuation  
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Dear Trevor and Forum members

I'm analyzing data about contraceptive discontinuation and have some doubts about how to organize my dataset: I'm using data from local survey in Brazil and I have used Calendar data. Looking at Polis et al. (2016) in Appendix A: Calculation of failure rates, I check that "episodes of contraceptive used began before your observation period but within the calendar period, you include the episode as a late entry into the life table, using only the months of contraceptive use that occurred within the 3-62 months period of observation". I have around 68-72 months of observation for each woman, and I'll analyze only 3-62 months too. So I need to exclude months 63-72. In what moment I exclude these episodes? It's when I'm preparing my dataset or doing analysis? Could you please assist me with obtaining the Stata command to do this exclusion.

I would greatly appreciate any assistance you could offer. Thank you.  
Osmara