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Subject: v302a and women who have had terminated pregnancies

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I am looking at termination data in the 2015-16 India DHS, and I noticed that all women who reported a termination in the calendar (regardless of if it was a miscarriage, abortion, or still birth) are recorded as ever using something to delay or avoid pregnancy in the calendar (v302a). Looking at vcal\_1 for some of these women, there are several cases where the only non-zero in the calendar is pregnancy and termination. I looked at cases where the only non-zeros in the calendar are pregnancies and births, and many of them are marked as never use. There seems to be something wrong with how v302a is calculated for women who have had a termination in the calendar.

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