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Subject: Re: NFHS-5, when to calculate new weights?  
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Following is a response from Senior DHS staff members, Tom Pullum and Fred Arnold:

At the beginning of the domestic violence section, filter question WQ1102 determines whether or not privacy for the DV section was obtained. If privacy was not possible, the entire DV section was skipped. If privacy was obtained, the interviewer proceeded with the DV section. For those women who answered the DV questions, at the end of the DV section, the interviewer completed filter question WQ1138 which states DID YOU HAVE TO INTERRUPT THIS SECTION OF THE INTERVIEW BECAUSE SOME ADULT WAS TRYING TO LISTEN OR CAME INTO THE ROOM, OR INTERFERED IN ANY OTHER WAY? If the answer is YES, then the interviewer indicates who the person(s) was and for each type of person whether the person interrupted this part of the interview once or more than once. If there was any interruption, it does not mean that the person actually did listen to any of the questions since the interviewer was instructed to stop the domestic violence section completely until the person(s) interrupting or trying to interrupt the interview left. Presumably, none of the DV questions were ever asked when a person other than the respondent was trying to listen to any of the questions. During the interviewer training, it was made clear that no question in the DV section could be asked when someone else came into the room or tried to listen to a question.

It is DHS policy to omit responses that have a weight of 0. We would strongly recommend against ever constructing a weight that is not already in the data files.