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Subject: Re: SSU variables in the Mauritania DHS2019-2021  
Posted by [Bridgette-DHS](#) on Thu, 28 Mar 2024 17:07:34 GMT  
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Following is a response from Senior DHS staff member, Tom Pullum:

The table with 1, 623.14 births after August 2019 was constructed with this command: "tab v024 birthdate [iweight=v005/1000000]". The table with just 13.697 births after August 2019 was constructed with "tab v024 birthdate if bidx==1 & v213==1 [iweight=v005/1000000]". Both frequencies were weighted, but the second and much smaller frequency was limited to the most recent birth (bidx=1) and to women who are pregnant at the time of the survey (v213=1). They are a very small subset of the births in the first table. These tables were what I understood you to be requesting.

You say that you are trying to measure the potential impact of an intervention related to ANC care. I don't see how either of these tables could be used to describe such an impact. This is an interesting question, but this survey may not be appropriate for answering it. I would like to help but the question is outside the scope of the user forum. I hope other users can help.

Here is a journal article that may help, but it uses two successive surveys:

Mallick, Lindsay, Trinadh Dontamsetti, Thomas Pullum, and Julia Fleuret. 2019. Using the Uganda Demographic and Health Surveys from 2011 and 2016 to assess changes in Saving Mothers, Giving Life intervention districts. *J. of Global Health Research* 3. doi:10.29392/joghr.3.e2019026.