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Subject: Re: Calculating for children less than 23 months  
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Here is code for selecting the children to include. Two important differences with your code:  
1) hw1 is not available for all children in this survey, I believe because anthropometry was collected in a subsample of households. It is generally better to calculate age in months using v008-b3.

2) The youngest child under age 2 living with the mother is not always the child with midx=1 (the last child born). It can be that the last child born either died or does not live with the mother, but the next to last child fits the criteria.

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use "C:\Data\DHS_Stata\GHKR70FL.DTA", clear  
gen age = v008-b3
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* select on the living children under 2  
keep if age<24 & b5==1
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* regroup age  
recode age(0/1=1 "0-1")(2/3=2 "2-3")(4/5=3 "4-5")(6/8=4 "6-8")(9/11=5 "9-11")(12/17=6  
"12-17")(18/23=7 "18-23")(24/59=.), gen(child_age)
```

```
* tabulate for the last column in table 11.3  
tab child_age  
tab child_age[iw=v005/1000000]
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* Now restrict further
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* Keep only those living with their mother
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keep if b9==0
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* and now check if it is the youngest
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* children are in order with youngest first, any other child with the same caseid is not the youngest  
drop if _n > 0 & caseid == caseid[_n-1]
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```
* tabulate for the number of youngest children under age 2 living with mother
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```
tab child_age  
tab child_age[iw=v005/1000000]
```

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