**OP18:** Counts of observation period records stratified by start of observation month

This query is used to count the observation period records stratified by observation month and person end. person end is an indicator whether a person has initiated the first observation period in a given observation month. All possible values are summarized.

**Sample query:**

SELECT EXTRACT( month

FROM observation\_period\_start\_date ) observation\_month , count(\*) AS num\_observations

FROM observation\_period

GROUP BY observation\_month

ORDER BY 1;

**Input:**

None

**Output:**

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| **Field** | **Description** |
| observation\_month | Month of start of observation period |
| num\_observations | Number of observations within specific month of observation |

**Sample output record:**

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| **Field** | **Description** |
| observation\_month | 1 |
| num\_observations | 3987706 |