

# WOMEN'S EMPOWERMENT

Table 15.1 Employment and cash earnings of currently married women and men

Percentage of currently married women and men age 15-49 who were employed at any time in the past 12 months and the percent distribution of currently married women and men employed in the past 12 months by type of earnings, according to age, Model DHS 6 data

	Among currently married respondents:		Percent distribution of currently married respondents employed in the past 12 months, by type of earnings						
	Percentage employed in past 12 months	Number of respondents		Cash and in-kind	In-kind only	Not paid	Missing/ don't know		Number of respondents
Age			Cash only					Total	
WOMEN									
15-19	73.9	339	26.9	8.7	4.1	59.2	1.1	100.0	251
20-24	74.6	782	35.3	10.9	2.2	51.3	0.2	100.0	584
25-29	81.0	1,133	37.7	8.8	4.5	48.1	0.9	100.0	917
30-34	89.2	964	39.3	8.0	3.4	48.9	0.3	100.0	860
35-39	85.5	937	31.3	11.0	4.0	53.4	0.3	100.0	801
40-44	86.4	551	36.6	11.9	3.5	47.4	0.6	100.0	476
45-49	90.4	566	31.3	9.8	3.6	55.1	0.2	100.0	512
Total	83.5	5,273	35.1	9.8	3.7	51.0	0.5	100.0	4,400
MEN									
15-19	*	5	*	*	*	*	*	*	3
20-24	91.5	101	40.8	8.9	0.0	50.3	0.0	100.0	93
25-29	97.2	270	50.5	17.0	0.6	31.8	0.1	100.0	262
30-34	96.5	319	45.6	22.2	0.0	32.2	0.0	100.0	308
35-39	98.5	426	56.2	15.0	0.7	28.1	0.1	100.0	420
40-44	99.4	307	45.3	23.0	1.8	29.9	0.0	100.0	305
45-49	98.5	267	50.1	20.1	1.0	28.8	0.0	100.0	263
Total 15-49	97.6	1,696	49.5	18.7	0.8	31.1	0.0	100.0	1,654
50-59	95.3	304	47.7	17.1	2.7	32.4	0.1	100.0	290
Total 15-59	97.2	2,000	49.2	18.4	1.1	31.3	0.0	100.0	1,944

Note: An asterisk indicates that a figure is based on fewer than 25 unweighted cases and has been suppressed.

Table 15.2.1 Control over women's cash earnings and relative magnitude of women's cash earnings

Percent distribution of currently married women age 15-49 who received cash earnings for employment in the 12 months preceding the survey by person who decides how wife's cash earnings are used and by whether she earned more or less than her husband, according to background characteristics, Model DHS 6 data

Background characteristic	Person who decides how the wife's cash earnings are used:					Wife's cash earnings compared with husband's cash earnings:							Number of women
	Mainly wife	Wife and husband jointly	Mainly husband	Other	Missing	Total	More	Less	About the same	Husband has no earnings	Don't know/ Missing	Total	
<b>Age</b>													
15-19	34.2	23.2	42.0	0.2	0.4	100.0	4.8	88.1	2.1	1.2	3.7	100.0	89
20-24	36.5	32.2	29.5	0.2	1.6	100.0	6.2	81.6	4.4	2.3	5.5	100.0	270
25-29	40.4	31.7	27.7	0.0	0.2	100.0	9.7	76.9	5.9	1.4	6.1	100.0	426
30-34	39.6	35.3	24.8	0.0	0.3	100.0	9.7	80.2	6.6	0.5	3.0	100.0	407
35-39	40.6	31.7	27.1	0.0	0.6	100.0	10.6	74.5	7.6	1.7	5.7	100.0	339
40-44	44.7	26.9	28.4	0.0	0.0	100.0	17.8	67.9	3.7	3.8	6.7	100.0	231
45-49	55.2	29.2	14.0	0.0	1.6	100.0	14.7	68.9	7.0	1.2	8.1	100.0	210
<b>Number of living children</b>													
0	34.5	35.6	28.2	0.2	1.6	100.0	13.9	67.0	10.2	2.8	6.0	100.0	120
1-2	40.9	34.0	24.6	0.1	0.4	100.0	8.6	79.0	6.5	1.4	4.5	100.0	735
3-4	42.0	29.5	28.3	0.0	0.2	100.0	11.8	75.4	5.0	1.3	6.5	100.0	699
5+	44.0	28.3	26.5	0.0	1.3	100.0	11.2	76.5	4.9	2.1	5.4	100.0	418
<b>Residence</b>													
Urban	42.2	37.2	19.8	0.1	0.7	100.0	15.0	69.9	6.2	2.1	6.8	100.0	946
Rural	40.9	25.9	32.8	0.0	0.5	100.0	6.6	82.4	5.5	1.2	4.3	100.0	1,027
<b>Region</b>													
Region 1	36.6	25.3	37.4	0.0	0.8	100.0	7.4	82.4	5.1	1.9	3.3	100.0	506
Region 2	43.4	29.1	27.3	0.0	0.2	100.0	4.1	82.7	6.5	0.7	6.0	100.0	442
Region 3	38.7	42.4	17.8	0.1	1.1	100.0	19.1	64.5	7.2	2.2	7.0	100.0	654
Region 4	51.2	22.5	26.2	0.1	0.0	100.0	7.8	82.0	3.5	1.5	5.3	100.0	370
<b>Education</b>													
No education	41.0	27.4	30.8	0.0	0.8	100.0	9.6	78.9	5.0	1.4	5.1	100.0	1,275
Primary	51.5	26.2	21.6	0.1	0.5	100.0	13.6	73.7	3.7	1.7	7.3	100.0	275
Secondary or higher	36.8	46.4	16.7	0.0	0.0	100.0	11.7	70.8	9.7	2.2	5.5	100.0	422
<b>Wealth quintile</b>													
Lowest	39.1	23.4	36.9	0.0	0.7	100.0	5.8	84.6	4.5	1.5	3.7	100.0	325
Second	39.9	26.7	33.0	0.0	0.4	100.0	7.1	81.5	7.7	0.2	3.4	100.0	308
Middle	41.6	26.2	32.1	0.0	0.2	100.0	8.1	79.5	4.4	1.8	6.2	100.0	365
Fourth	47.8	27.7	23.5	0.2	0.9	100.0	14.9	71.1	4.1	3.1	6.8	100.0	492
Highest	37.9	47.1	14.3	0.0	0.7	100.0	13.7	70.7	8.3	1.0	6.3	100.0	481
Total	41.5	31.3	26.5	0.0	0.6	100.0	10.6	76.4	5.8	1.6	5.5	100.0	1,972

Table 15.2.2 Control over men's cash earnings

Percent distributions of currently married men age 15-49 who receive cash earnings and of currently married women age 15-49 whose husbands receive cash earnings, by person who decides how husband's cash earnings are used, according to background characteristics, Model DHS 6 data

Background characteristic	Men							Women							Number of women
	Person who decides how husband's cash earnings are used:						Number of men	Person who decides how husband's cash earnings are used:							
	Mainly wife	Husband and wife jointly	Mainly husband	Other	Missing	Total		Mainly wife	Husband and wife jointly	Mainly husband	Other	Missing	Total		
Age															
15-19	*	*	*	*	*	100.0	2	6.4	25.1	64.3	1.7	2.6	100.0	329	
20-24	11.4	24.7	63.9	0.0	0.0	100.0	46	7.1	31.1	60.4	0.2	1.1	100.0	765	
25-29	12.0	23.9	60.7	0.3	3.1	100.0	177	5.9	37.0	56.4	0.1	0.6	100.0	1,120	
30-34	12.3	25.1	60.5	0.0	2.1	100.0	209	6.0	35.8	57.5	0.0	0.7	100.0	958	
35-39	10.3	32.1	57.3	0.0	0.3	100.0	299	8.1	33.9	57.4	0.2	0.4	100.0	928	
40-44	12.7	28.6	58.5	0.0	0.1	100.0	209	9.0	35.8	54.6	0.1	0.5	100.0	540	
45-49	12.8	27.9	59.4	0.0	0.0	100.0	185	16.0	33.0	50.9	0.0	0.1	100.0	559	
Number of living children															
0	15.6	30.3	48.8	0.0	5.3	100.0	67	5.5	32.5	57.5	1.0	3.6	100.0	386	
1-2	11.4	26.5	60.4	0.0	1.7	100.0	381	7.7	34.8	56.5	0.2	0.8	100.0	1,853	
3-4	11.2	30.0	58.7	0.1	0.0	100.0	383	7.4	33.9	58.4	0.1	0.3	100.0	1,749	
5+	12.7	26.2	60.8	0.0	0.3	100.0	296	9.8	33.7	56.1	0.1	0.3	100.0	1,210	
Residence															
Urban	8.8	32.0	57.4	0.1	1.7	100.0	525	10.3	40.8	47.7	0.2	0.9	100.0	1,846	
Rural	14.7	24.2	60.8	0.0	0.3	100.0	601	6.6	30.3	62.3	0.2	0.6	100.0	3,353	
Region															
Region 1	27.9	11.5	60.6	0.0	0.0	100.0	339	5.6	33.9	59.4	0.3	0.8	100.0	1,956	
Region 2	4.6	36.3	58.6	0.2	0.4	100.0	245	5.7	37.6	56.3	0.2	0.3	100.0	1,078	
Region 3	7.1	33.7	56.2	0.0	3.0	100.0	329	11.1	46.2	41.5	0.0	1.2	100.0	1,046	
Region 4	2.3	35.0	62.6	0.0	0.1	100.0	213	11.2	19.7	68.5	0.1	0.6	100.0	1,119	
Education															
No education	12.5	28.0	58.7	0.0	0.8	100.0	545	7.6	32.7	59.1	0.1	0.5	100.0	3,650	
Primary	9.7	32.4	56.0	0.0	1.8	100.0	122	10.8	26.4	61.7	0.1	1.0	100.0	679	
Secondary or higher	11.8	26.3	60.8	0.1	0.9	100.0	460	7.2	45.7	45.2	0.5	1.3	100.0	869	
Wealth quintile															
Lowest	11.5	27.1	60.9	0.0	0.5	100.0	175	7.6	30.6	60.8	0.2	0.7	100.0	1,100	
Second	17.7	22.5	59.6	0.2	0.0	100.0	194	7.8	29.8	61.3	0.3	0.7	100.0	1,130	
Middle	12.6	28.5	58.8	0.0	0.1	100.0	226	8.0	30.9	60.8	0.3	0.1	100.0	1,089	
Fourth	11.2	23.1	64.4	0.0	1.3	100.0	239	8.9	33.6	56.8	0.1	0.5	100.0	960	
Highest	8.3	35.2	54.2	0.0	2.3	100.0	291	7.3	47.5	43.4	0.0	1.7	100.0	919	
Total 15-49	11.9	27.8	59.2	0.0	1.0	100.0	1,127	7.9	34.0	57.1	0.2	0.7	100.0	5,199	
50-59	16.7	23.7	59.6	0.0	0.0	100.0	188	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	
Total 15-59	12.6	27.2	59.3	0.0	0.8	100.0	1,314	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	

Note: An asterisk indicates that a figure is based on fewer than 25 unweighted cases and has been suppressed.

na = Not Applicable

Table 15.3 Women's control over their own earnings and over those of their husbands

Percent distribution of currently married women age 15-49 with cash earnings in the last 12 months by person who decides how the wife's cash earnings are used and percent distribution of currently married women age 15-49 whose husbands have cash earnings by person who decides how the husband's cash earnings are used, according to the relation between wife's and husband's cash earnings, Model DHS 6 data

Women's earnings relative to husband's earnings	Person who decides how the wife's cash earnings are used:						Number of women	Person who decides how husband's cash earnings are used:						Number of women
	Mainly wife	Wife and husband jointly	Mainly husband	Other	Missing	Total		Mainly wife	Wife and husband jointly	Mainly husband	Other	Missing	Total	
More than husband	61.6	26.8	11.6	0.0	0.0	100.0	209	28.3	30.5	40.8	0.3	0.0	100.0	209
Less than husband	38.4	30.6	30.6	0.1	0.4	100.0	1,508	7.5	37.0	55.5	0.0	0.0	100.0	1,508
Same as husband	23.4	61.4	15.2	0.0	0.0	100.0	115	1.2	80.0	18.8	0.0	0.0	100.0	115
Husband has no cash earnings or did not work	(58.0)	(33.5)	(8.4)	(0.0)	(0.0)	100.0	32	na	na	na	na	na	na	na
Woman worked but has no cash earnings	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	8.2	31.7	59.1	0.3	0.8	100.0	2,413
Woman did not work	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	1.9	31.2	64.7	0.3	1.9	100.0	845
Don't know/Missing	61.5	17.1	16.3	0.0	5.1	100.0	109	22.7	25.9	48.9	0.0	2.5	100.0	109
Total	41.5	31.3	26.5	0.0	0.6	100.0	1,972	7.9	34.0	57.1	0.2	0.7	100.0	5,199

Note: Figures in parentheses are based on 25-49 unweighted cases.

na = Not Applicable

<sup>1</sup> Includes cases where a woman does not know whether she earned more or less than her husband

Table 15.4.1 Ownership of assets: Women

Percent distribution of women age 15-49 by ownership of housing and land, according to background characteristics, Model DHS 6 data

Background characteristic	Percentage who own a house:			Percent-age who do not own a house	Missing	Total	Percentage who own land:			Percent-age who do not own land	Missing	Total	Number of women
	Alone	Jointly	Alone and jointly				Alone	Jointly	Alone and jointly				
<b>Age</b>													
15-19	2.1	8.0	2.8	86.6	0.4	100.0	2.2	7.7	1.9	87.7	0.4	100.0	1,958
20-24	2.9	16.9	4.5	75.6	0.0	100.0	2.9	15.8	3.0	78.4	0.0	100.0	1,428
25-29	3.7	27.2	5.2	63.7	0.3	100.0	3.1	26.7	3.9	66.0	0.3	100.0	1,419
30-34	4.6	32.7	5.2	57.4	0.2	100.0	6.0	30.7	3.7	59.3	0.3	100.0	1,100
35-39	8.2	37.0	5.2	49.5	0.1	100.0	8.6	33.2	4.3	53.7	0.2	100.0	1,099
40-44	8.9	38.0	7.2	45.4	0.5	100.0	10.0	33.7	3.9	52.0	0.5	100.0	660
45-49	12.0	40.2	7.0	40.6	0.2	100.0	13.4	39.1	6.3	40.8	0.4	100.0	684
<b>Residence</b>													
Urban	3.4	13.1	2.2	81.1	0.3	100.0	3.7	12.0	1.8	82.3	0.3	100.0	3,766
Rural	6.3	34.5	7.0	51.9	0.2	100.0	6.7	32.7	5.0	55.4	0.3	100.0	4,582
<b>Region</b>													
Region 1	4.2	25.4	3.4	66.8	0.2	100.0	6.3	24.3	2.2	67.0	0.2	100.0	2,863
Region 2	9.1	37.9	5.8	46.9	0.3	100.0	7.7	35.7	2.4	53.8	0.5	100.0	1,610
Region 3	2.7	5.5	0.6	90.9	0.2	100.0	3.1	4.9	0.5	91.4	0.2	100.0	2,300
Region 4	5.7	38.9	12.6	42.7	0.2	100.0	4.5	35.8	11.5	47.8	0.3	100.0	1,574
<b>Education</b>													
No education	6.7	34.5	6.0	52.5	0.2	100.0	7.2	32.3	4.3	55.9	0.3	100.0	4,397
Primary	4.5	24.4	5.2	65.5	0.4	100.0	4.1	21.9	3.7	69.9	0.4	100.0	1,146
Secondary or higher	2.5	9.9	2.8	84.6	0.2	100.0	2.9	9.9	2.2	84.8	0.2	100.0	2,805
<b>Wealth quintile</b>													
Lowest	8.1	40.8	6.5	44.4	0.2	100.0	7.3	38.6	5.5	48.2	0.4	100.0	1,490
Second	6.9	34.9	6.7	51.2	0.3	100.0	7.0	31.8	4.6	56.2	0.4	100.0	1,503
Middle	6.0	29.7	5.5	58.7	0.1	100.0	5.5	28.7	3.9	61.8	0.1	100.0	1,568
Fourth	3.4	15.6	4.6	75.9	0.4	100.0	4.8	13.9	2.9	77.9	0.5	100.0	1,784
Highest	1.9	9.9	1.9	86.2	0.2	100.0	2.9	9.8	1.5	85.6	0.2	100.0	2,003
Total	5.0	24.9	4.8	65.1	0.2	100.0	5.3	23.3	3.5	67.5	0.3	100.0	8,348

na = Not Applicable

Table 15.4.2 Ownership of assets: Men

Percent distribution of men age 15-49 by ownership of housing and land, according to background characteristics, Model DHS 6 data

Background characteristic	Percentage who own a house:			Percent-age who do not own a house	Missing	Total	Percentage who own land:			Percent-age who do not own land	Missing	Total	Number of men
	Alone	Jointly	Alone and jointly				Alone	Jointly	Alone and jointly				
<b>Age</b>													
15-19	1.1	7.1	5.4	86.4	0.0	100.0	1.1	6.3	4.4	88.2	0.0	100.0	771
20-24	1.8	11.8	6.5	79.2	0.7	100.0	4.6	10.4	5.9	79.1	0.0	100.0	523
25-29	8.4	10.7	7.5	73.5	0.0	100.0	10.3	10.5	6.3	72.9	0.0	100.0	502
30-34	20.2	14.0	6.6	59.2	0.0	100.0	18.4	14.5	4.4	62.7	0.0	100.0	397
35-39	29.4	17.4	5.6	47.6	0.0	100.0	26.4	19.1	5.9	48.7	0.0	100.0	485
40-44	38.8	18.2	8.4	34.7	0.0	100.0	31.2	20.4	9.0	39.4	0.0	100.0	332
45-49	35.9	16.9	6.9	40.2	0.1	100.0	31.8	18.6	6.0	43.5	0.1	100.0	290
<b>Residence</b>													
Urban	4.6	8.3	4.9	82.0	0.2	100.0	6.1	7.8	4.3	81.7	0.0	100.0	1,631
Rural	26.4	17.0	8.0	48.5	0.0	100.0	22.8	18.0	7.2	52.0	0.0	100.0	1,668
<b>Region</b>													
Region 1	23.6	10.7	7.4	58.2	0.0	100.0	24.9	11.3	6.5	57.3	0.0	100.0	1,058
Region 2	18.8	21.4	4.1	55.7	0.0	100.0	10.2	21.6	4.2	64.0	0.0	100.0	607
Region 3	3.4	8.3	1.9	86.1	0.3	100.0	5.0	7.7	2.0	85.3	0.0	100.0	1,023
Region 4	19.1	14.9	14.9	51.1	0.0	100.0	16.9	16.0	12.5	54.6	0.0	100.0	611
<b>Education</b>													
No education	28.0	16.7	8.1	47.2	0.0	100.0	24.1	17.5	7.6	50.9	0.0	100.0	1,232
Primary	13.4	11.9	5.1	69.6	0.0	100.0	10.8	13.0	5.1	71.1	0.0	100.0	396
Secondary or higher	7.0	10.0	5.6	77.2	0.2	100.0	8.4	9.6	4.6	77.4	0.0	100.0	1,672
<b>Wealth quintile</b>													
Lowest	29.6	19.3	8.2	43.0	0.0	100.0	24.5	19.2	7.9	48.4	0.0	100.0	549
Second	24.4	17.3	9.3	49.1	0.0	100.0	21.7	18.5	7.7	52.1	0.0	100.0	564
Middle	20.3	13.7	7.5	58.6	0.0	100.0	18.3	14.3	7.5	60.0	0.0	100.0	583
Fourth	9.0	7.0	7.3	76.7	0.0	100.0	8.4	6.7	5.7	79.2	0.0	100.0	679
Highest	3.9	9.7	2.5	83.5	0.4	100.0	6.6	9.6	2.3	81.5	0.0	100.0	925
Total 15-49	15.6	12.7	6.5	65.1	0.1	100.0	14.5	13.0	5.8	66.7	0.0	100.0	3,299
50-59	45.1	16.8	9.9	28.0	0.2	100.0	39.8	17.4	7.9	34.6	0.2	100.0	322
Total 15-59	18.2	13.1	6.8	61.8	0.1	100.0	16.8	13.4	6.0	63.9	0.0	100.0	3,621

na = Not Applicable

**Table 15.5** Participation in decision making

Percent distribution of currently married women and currently married men age 15-49 by person who usually makes decisions about various issues, Model DHS 6 data

Decision	Mainly wife	Wife and husband jointly	Mainly husband	Someone else	Other	Missing	Total	Number
WOMEN								
Own health care	8.2	43.3	47.0	0.4	0.4	0.7	100.0	5,273
Major household purchases	8.1	44.6	45.7	0.4	0.5	0.8	100.0	5,273
Visits to her family or relatives	10.9	47.7	40.4	0.2	0.1	0.7	100.0	5,273
MEN								
Own health care	12.4	27.9	58.6	0.1	0.0	0.9	100.0	1,696
Major household purchases	17.9	31.2	49.7	0.2	0.0	0.9	100.0	1,696

Table 15.6.1 Women's participation in decision making by background characteristics

Percentage of currently married women age 15-49 who usually make specific decisions either by themselves or jointly with their husband, by background characteristics, Model DHS 6 data

Background characteristic	Specific decisions			All three decisions	None of the three decisions	Number of women
	Woman's own health care	Making major household purchases	Visits to her family or relatives			
<b>Age</b>						
15-19	37.7	38.9	49.7	31.0	45.3	339
20-24	45.6	45.2	54.5	37.2	40.7	782
25-29	50.6	50.1	56.5	42.1	35.9	1,133
30-34	53.3	55.3	60.7	44.2	31.7	964
35-39	55.0	55.4	59.1	45.2	32.0	937
40-44	51.9	56.9	63.0	42.9	29.2	551
45-49	60.2	63.5	65.6	50.4	24.8	566
<b>Employment (last 12 months)</b>						
Not employed	35.7	36.9	46.4	29.4	47.9	869
Employed for cash	58.0	58.0	62.8	45.2	26.7	1,972
Employed not for cash	52.2	54.4	59.9	45.4	34.3	2,407
Missing	(16.1)	(23.8)	(33.1)	(16.1)	66.9	25
<b>Number of living children</b>						
0	40.2	42.6	51.6	35.8	45.2	395
1-2	50.8	51.5	57.3	41.4	34.6	1,882
3-4	52.4	54.0	59.8	44.0	33.1	1,767
5+	54.7	55.9	61.3	44.6	30.3	1,229
<b>Residence</b>						
Urban	55.4	56.8	61.1	43.3	28.7	1,886
Rural	49.3	50.4	57.3	42.2	36.8	3,386
<b>Region</b>						
Region 1	55.9	57.2	63.9	49.5	31.4	1,984
Region 2	58.2	56.1	57.3	48.8	35.1	1,087
Region 3	59.0	58.4	60.9	43.3	27.1	1,072
Region 4	30.2	36.0	48.6	23.7	43.6	1,130
<b>Education</b>						
No education	51.7	52.6	58.3	42.6	33.7	3,688
Primary	45.3	48.8	56.8	39.6	38.7	693
Secondary or higher	55.5	56.0	61.2	45.0	30.8	891
<b>Wealth quintile</b>						
Lowest	50.5	51.8	60.9	43.9	33.2	1,115
Second	46.9	48.8	54.8	38.5	38.0	1,138
Middle	49.6	50.9	57.7	43.3	37.2	1,101
Fourth	53.1	52.9	57.4	42.3	33.7	986
Highest	58.6	60.5	63.0	45.5	25.9	933
Total	51.5	52.7	58.6	42.6	33.9	5,273

Note: Figures in parentheses are based on 25-49 unweighted cases.



**Table 15.6.2 Men's participation in decision making by background characteristics**

Percentage of currently married men age 15-49 who usually make specific decisions either alone or jointly with their wife, by background characteristics, Model DHS 6 data

Background characteristic	Specific decisions				Number of men
	Man's own health	Making major household purchases	Both decisions	Neither of the two decisions	
<b>Age</b>					
15-19	*	*	*	*	5
20-24	87.5	80.3	78.9	11.1	101
25-29	86.9	79.3	78.2	12.1	270
30-34	85.7	80.8	79.3	12.8	319
35-39	88.5	81.6	80.3	10.3	426
40-44	85.5	81.0	79.8	13.3	307
45-49	85.2	82.3	80.2	12.7	267
<b>Employment (last 12 months)</b>					
Not employed	(51.8)	(50.2)	(50.2)	(48.2)	41
Employed for cash	86.6	78.2	77.0	12.2	1,127
Employed not for cash	89.1	89.3	87.4	8.9	527
Missing	*	*	*	*	0
<b>Number of living children</b>					
0	89.2	78.2	76.9	9.5	117
1-2	83.6	78.7	77.2	14.9	579
3-4	88.1	81.4	80.8	11.2	546
5+	87.6	83.9	81.7	10.2	454
<b>Residence</b>					
Urban	87.9	84.3	83.3	11.1	626
Rural	85.7	79.0	77.3	12.7	1,069
<b>Region</b>					
Region 1	78.2	76.9	76.1	20.9	604
Region 2	94.2	72.9	72.4	5.3	363
Region 3	86.9	81.9	81.9	13.1	369
Region 4	92.2	94.8	90.2	3.2	360
<b>Education</b>					
No education	86.3	81.2	79.3	11.8	907
Primary	88.7	80.1	80.1	11.3	182
Secondary or higher	86.1	80.8	79.7	12.8	607
<b>Wealth quintile</b>					
Lowest	88.1	86.3	84.4	9.9	356
Second	83.1	77.0	75.3	15.2	360
Middle	88.7	80.1	79.4	10.6	355
Fourth	88.4	79.0	77.7	10.3	296
Highest	84.4	82.1	80.7	14.3	329
Total 15-49	86.5	80.9	79.5	12.1	1,696
50-59	82.1	77.1	76.2	17.0	304
Total 15-59	85.8	80.4	79.0	12.8	2,000

Note: Figures in parentheses are based on 25-49 unweighted cases. An asterisk indicates that a figure is based on fewer than 25 unweighted cases and has been suppressed.

Table 15.7.1 Attitude toward wife beating: Women

Percentage of all women age 15-49 who agree that a husband is justified in hitting or beating his wife for specific reasons, by background characteristics, Model DHS 6 data

Background characteristic	Husband is justified in hitting or beating his wife if she:					Percentage who agree with at least one specified reason	Number of women
	Burns the food	Argues with him	Goes out without telling him	Neglects the children	Refuses to have sexual intercourse with him		
<b>Age</b>							
15-19	17.1	42.4	46.1	45.7	20.1	55.4	1,958
20-24	15.2	46.1	48.9	50.3	22.7	61.4	1,428
25-29	16.3	43.4	52.9	51.8	26.1	61.5	1,419
30-34	21.0	49.5	54.6	53.8	27.6	63.9	1,100
35-39	16.1	46.6	53.3	50.0	24.1	61.1	1,099
40-44	16.2	46.3	52.9	50.7	28.0	61.3	660
45-49	21.1	50.0	53.4	53.8	32.1	62.7	684
<b>Employment (last 12 months)</b>							
Not employed	9.7	34.5	40.0	38.7	16.7	48.0	2,362
Employed for cash	16.6	47.3	48.9	50.7	24.9	60.6	2,633
Employed not for cash	23.4	52.4	60.7	58.3	30.4	69.3	3,307
Missing	(4.6)	(37.3)	(26.3)	(37.7)	(11.4)	(41.7)	45
<b>Number of living children</b>							
0	14.2	38.1	41.4	40.8	17.9	50.9	2,378
1-2	17.6	47.4	53.2	53.0	25.3	63.1	2,640
3-4	17.3	47.6	53.8	53.5	27.2	63.8	1,990
5+	22.1	52.5	59.1	56.7	31.7	66.9	1,341
<b>Marital status</b>							
Never married	13.3	36.5	40.2	42.0	16.2	49.8	2,585
Married or living together	19.4	50.3	56.6	54.6	29.2	65.9	5,273
Divorced/separated/widowed	15.5	43.8	46.4	46.9	20.6	57.4	491
<b>Residence</b>							
Urban	10.5	38.8	45.2	45.0	17.6	55.3	3,766
Rural	22.8	51.3	55.6	54.6	30.6	64.6	4,582
<b>Region</b>							
Region 1	26.1	57.6	64.4	63.5	37.0	73.1	2,863
Region 2	8.5	35.9	38.7	36.4	14.3	49.1	1,610
Region 3	9.8	37.7	40.3	39.2	16.7	50.9	2,300
Region 4	21.0	45.5	54.5	56.3	24.7	62.7	1,574
<b>Education</b>							
No education	21.2	53.1	57.9	56.5	31.1	67.2	4,397
Primary	17.5	42.9	49.4	49.8	24.7	58.5	1,146
Secondary or higher	11.1	35.0	40.7	40.6	14.6	50.5	2,805
<b>Wealth quintile</b>							
Lowest	25.5	54.9	57.8	60.6	30.3	67.6	1,490
Second	22.7	51.7	55.1	53.3	30.7	64.9	1,503
Middle	19.5	48.0	51.7	50.5	29.3	61.1	1,568
Fourth	14.0	43.2	50.8	50.6	22.7	61.0	1,784
Highest	8.3	34.6	42.1	39.7	14.2	50.6	2,003
Total	17.3	45.6	50.9	50.2	24.7	60.4	8,348

Note: Figures in parentheses are based on 25-49 unweighted cases.

Table 15.7.2 Attitude toward wife beating: Men

Percentage of all men age 15-49 who agree that a husband is justified in hitting or beating his wife for specific reasons, by background characteristics, Model DHS 6 data

Background characteristic	Husband is justified in hitting or beating his wife if she:					Percentage who agree with at least one specified reason	Number
	Burns the food	Argues with him	Goes out without telling him	Neglects the children	Refuses to have sexual intercourse with him		
<b>Age</b>							
15-19	5.3	20.1	15.2	16.9	5.9	27.9	771
20-24	7.3	25.9	24.2	23.9	10.7	40.4	523
25-29	6.5	23.6	16.6	18.8	9.5	33.2	502
30-34	4.1	23.0	19.2	21.4	9.1	33.6	397
35-39	5.9	20.9	18.4	19.8	9.2	31.8	485
40-44	3.6	25.3	18.4	23.3	9.4	35.3	332
45-49	1.5	17.3	17.9	19.3	8.7	27.6	290
<b>Employment (last 12 months)</b>							
Not employed	7.2	14.4	11.3	12.8	5.4	23.5	705
Employed for cash	5.2	22.4	20.4	23.0	9.8	33.6	1,623
Employed not for cash	3.8	27.7	20.0	20.8	9.4	37.9	959
Missing	*	*	*	*	*	*	12
<b>Number of living children</b>							
0	6.0	20.2	16.3	17.4	7.8	30.8	1,493
1-2	5.6	26.8	20.9	22.5	10.0	35.4	785
3-4	4.0	19.2	17.5	20.4	7.3	31.7	561
5+	3.7	25.0	22.1	24.4	11.1	35.3	461
<b>Marital status</b>							
Never married	6.3	20.4	16.5	17.5	7.5	31.2	1,497
Married or living together	4.5	23.7	19.8	22.4	9.5	33.8	1,696
Divorced/separated/widowed	2.9	25.1	20.8	20.6	12.8	35.8	107
<b>Residence</b>							
Urban	5.5	16.1	13.1	13.2	5.4	24.9	1,631
Rural	4.9	28.3	23.6	26.9	11.9	40.2	1,668
<b>Region</b>							
Region 1	4.9	27.5	22.1	27.3	13.5	40.2	1,058
Region 2	3.5	21.1	19.3	15.4	6.4	28.8	607
Region 3	7.3	14.0	8.9	9.5	4.5	23.9	1,023
Region 4	4.1	28.3	26.9	30.1	9.6	38.1	611
<b>Education</b>							
No education	5.3	28.9	24.5	28.1	12.4	41.3	1,232
Primary	4.4	18.7	15.9	15.6	4.7	27.6	396
Secondary or higher	5.4	18.2	14.4	15.3	6.9	27.5	1,672
<b>Wealth quintile</b>							
Lowest	5.8	31.0	26.8	28.0	11.8	41.1	549
Second	5.1	28.3	24.3	27.0	14.6	41.7	564
Middle	3.7	25.4	20.9	25.4	10.0	36.3	583
Fourth	2.9	14.7	12.7	14.4	4.6	24.0	679
Highest	7.7	16.9	12.3	12.1	5.5	26.1	925
Total 15-49	5.2	22.3	18.4	20.1	8.7	32.7	3,299
50-59	6.8	16.7	15.3	19.0	6.6	25.7	322
Total 15-59	5.4	21.8	18.1	20.0	8.5	32.0	3,621

Note: An asterisk indicates that a figure is based on fewer than 25 unweighted cases and has been suppressed.

**Table 15.8 Indicators of women's empowerment**

Percentage of currently married women age 15-49 who participate in all decision making and the percentage who disagree with all of the reasons justifying wife-beating, by value on each of the indicators of women's empowerment, Model DHS 6 data

Empowerment indicator	Percentage who participate in all decision making	Percentage who disagree with all the reasons justifying wife-beating	Number of women
<b>Number of decisions in which respondent participate<sup>1</sup></b>			
0	na	33.6	1,786
1-2	na	35.4	1,241
3	na	33.8	2,245
<b>Number of reasons for which wife-beating is justified<sup>2</sup></b>			
0	42.2	na	1,799
1-2	38.9	na	1,122
3-4	41.7	na	1,544
5	50.1	na	808

na = Not Applicable

<sup>1</sup> See Table 15.6.1 for the list of decisions.

<sup>2</sup> See Table 15.7.1 for the list of reasons.

**Table 15.9 Current use of contraception by women's empowerment**

Percent distribution of currently married women age 15-49 by current contraceptive method, according to selected indicators of women's status, Model DHS 6 data

Empowerment indicator	Any method	Modern methods					Any traditional method	Not currently using	Total	Number of women
		Any modern method	Female sterilization	Male sterilization	Temporary modern female methods <sup>1</sup>	Male condom				
Number of decisions in which respondent participate <sup>2</sup>										
0	14.9	14.0	0.3	0.1	13.5	0.1	0.8	85.1	100.0	1,786
1-2	17.8	15.9	0.4	0.0	15.1	0.4	1.9	82.2	100.0	1,241
3	19.5	18.1	0.4	0.0	17.3	0.3	1.5	80.5	100.0	2,245
Number of reasons for which wife-beating is justified <sup>3</sup>										
0	18.9	17.4	0.6	0.0	16.3	0.5	1.6	81.1	100.0	1,799
1-2	21.1	20.0	0.1	0.0	19.5	0.3	1.1	78.9	100.0	1,122
3-4	16.6	15.4	0.2	0.1	14.9	0.1	1.2	83.4	100.0	1,544
5	11.2	9.8	0.3	0.0	9.4	0.1	1.4	88.8	100.0	808
Total	17.5	16.2	0.3	0.0	15.5	0.3	1.4	82.5	100.0	5,273

Note: If more than one method is used, only the most effective method is considered in this tabulation.

<sup>1</sup> Pill, IUD, injectables, implants, female condom, diaphragm, and lactational amenorrhea method

<sup>2</sup> See Table 15.6.1 for the list of decisions.

<sup>3</sup> See Table 15.7.1 for the list of reasons.

Table 15.10 Ideal number of children and unmet need for family planning by women's empowerment

Mean ideal number of children for women 15-49 and the percentage of currently married women age 15-49 with an unmet need for family planning, by indicators of women's empowerment, Model DHS 6 data

Empowerment indicator	Mean ideal number of children <sup>1</sup>	Number of women	Percentage of currently married women with an unmet need for family planning <sup>2</sup>			Number of currently married women
			For spacing	For limiting	Total	
<b>Number of decisions in which respondent participate<sup>3</sup></b>						
0	5.2	1,635	17.9	6.7	24.6	1,786
1-2	5.2	1,174	17.8	9.4	27.2	1,241
3	5.4	2,144	14.5	9.5	24.0	2,245
<b>Number of reasons for which wife-beating is justified<sup>4</sup></b>						
0	4.3	3,152	15.4	9.0	24.4	1,799
1-2	4.5	1,634	17.6	8.9	26.5	1,122
3-4	5.0	2,125	17.7	7.8	25.5	1,544
5	5.5	1,038	14.7	8.3	23.1	808
Total	4.7	7,949	16.4	8.5	25.0	5,273

<sup>1</sup> Mean excludes respondents who gave non-numeric responses.

<sup>2</sup> See table 7.12.1 for the definition of unmet need for family planning

<sup>3</sup> Restricted to currently married women. See Table 15.6.1 for the list of decisions.

<sup>4</sup> See Table 15.7.1 for the list of reasons

**Table 15.11 Reproductive health care by women's empowerment**

Percentage of women age 15-49 with a live birth in the five years preceding the survey who received antenatal care, delivery assistance and postnatal care from health personnel for the most recent birth, by indicators of women's empowerment, Model DHS 6 data

Empowerment indicator	Percentage receiving antenatal care from a skilled provider <sup>1</sup>	Percentage receiving delivery care from a skilled provider <sup>1</sup>	Received postnatal care from health personnel within the first two days since delivery <sup>2</sup>	Number of women with a child born in the last five years
<b>Number of decisions in which respondent participate<sup>3</sup></b>				
0	97.0	65.2	71.9	1,278
1-2	97.3	58.7	71.5	804
3	97.6	59.4	73.3	1,408
<b>Number of reasons for which wife-beating is justified<sup>4</sup></b>				
0	98.3	67.4	75.4	1,410
1-2	96.7	67.7	72.3	896
3-4	96.9	64.2	72.8	1,245
5	97.4	46.9	72.1	626
Total	97.4	63.4	73.5	4,177

<sup>1</sup> 'Skilled provider' includes doctor, nurse, midwife, or auxiliary nurse/midwife

<sup>2</sup> Includes women who received a postnatal checkup from a doctor, nurse, midwife, community health worker or traditional birth attendant (TBA) in the first two days after the birth. Includes women who gave birth in a health facility and those who did not give birth in a health facility.

<sup>3</sup> Restricted to currently married women. See Table 15.6.1 for the list of decisions.

<sup>4</sup> See Table 15.7.1 for the list of reasons.

**Table 15.12 Early childhood mortality rates by women's status**

Infant, child, and under-five mortality rates for the 10-year period preceding the survey, by indicators of women's empowerment, Model DHS 6 data

Empowerment indicator	Infant mortality (1q0)	Child mortality (4q1)	Under-five mortality (5q0)
<b>Number of decisions in which respondent participate<sup>1</sup></b>			
0	111	77	179
1-2	108	81	181
3	103	61	158
<b>Number of reasons for which wife- beating is justified<sup>2</sup></b>			
0	104	64	161
1-2	105	72	170
3-4	116	76	184
5	103	76	171

<sup>1</sup> Restricted to currently married women. See Table 15.6.1 for the list of decisions.

<sup>2</sup> See Table 15.7.1 for the list of reasons