

Table 3. Unadjusted odds ratios (and 95% confidence intervals) of selected birth-weight comparisons, by effects of stress, major life events and pregnancy attitudes and intentions

Factor	Very low vs. normal	Moderately low vs. normal	Very low vs. moderately low
Stress			
Almost always felt stress	1.74* (1.36, 2.23)	1.40* (1.08, 1.80)	1.25 (0.98, 1.57)
Major life events†			
Got back with husband/partner	1.35 (0.96, 1.90)	1.75* (1.26, 2.81)	0.77 (0.57, 1.05)
Had problems with parents/in-laws	1.33* (1.05, 1.70)	1.16 (0.91, 1.48)	1.15 (0.91, 1.46)
Husband/partner changed jobs	0.82 (0.60, 1.12)	1.17 (0.87, 1.57)	0.70* (0.52, 0.95)
Was arrested	0.82 (0.42, 1.59)	1.52 (0.86, 2.70)	0.54* (0.29, 0.99)
Took out mortgage/loan	0.49* (0.32, 0.78)	0.89 (0.62, 1.37)	0.55* (0.35, 0.89)
Suffered major injury/accident/illness	1.78* (1.15, 2.75)	1.67* (1.07, 2.55)	1.07 (0.73, 1.57)
Was in physical fight	1.58* (1.08, 2.32)	1.30 (0.88, 1.93)	1.22 (0.85, 1.74)
Close family member died	0.70* (0.52, 0.95)	0.96 (0.73, 1.27)	0.73* (0.54, 0.99)
Pregnancy attitude/intention			
Unhappy about pregnancy	1.50* (1.14, 1.97)	1.37* (1.04, 1.80)	1.10 (0.85, 1.42)
Unsure wanted to be pregnant	1.44 (0.99, 2.08)	1.17 (0.80, 1.71)	1.23 (0.86, 1.76)
Pregnancy denial	1.73* (1.28, 2.34)	1.26 (0.92, 1.73)	1.37* (1.03, 1.82)
Unintended pregnancy	0.85 (0.69, 1.04)	0.90 (0.74, 1.10)	0.94 (0.77, 1.15)
Mistimed pregnancy	0.82 (0.67, 1.00)	0.79* (0.65, 0.96)	1.03 (0.85, 1.26)
Unwanted pregnancy	1.08 (0.83, 1.42)	1.27 (0.97, 1.65)	0.86 (0.66, 1.11)

*Statistically significant at $p < .05$. †Only major life events with statistically significant odds ratios are included in this table.