

TABLE 2. Beta coefficients (and 95% confidence intervals) from linear regression analysis examining women's ideal number of children, by empowerment, husband's influence, and selected social and demographic characteristics, according to country

Measure	Guinea (N=1,993)		Mali (N=2,668)		Namibia (N=844)		Zambia (N=3,197)	
	Unadjusted	Adjusted	Unadjusted	Adjusted	Unadjusted	Adjusted	Unadjusted	Adjusted
Women's empowerment								
Has any say in all four household decisions†	-0.19 (0.42–0.04)	-0.25* (-0.46 to -0.03)	-0.22 (-0.81–0.36)	-0.23 (-0.76–0.30)	-0.25 (0.61–0.10)	0.03 (-0.27–0.34)	-0.11 (0.29–0.07)	0.14 (-0.01–0.30)
None of five reasons for wife beating are justified‡	-0.66*** (0.96–0.36)	-0.52*** (-0.83 to -0.22)	0.51*** (0.23–0.79)	0.49*** (0.20–0.78)	-0.60*** (0.91–0.29)	-0.10 (-0.42–0.22)	-0.46*** (-0.63–0.29)	-0.25*** (-0.39–0.11)
All three reasons for refusing sex are justified§	-0.32** (0.55–0.10)	-0.33** (-0.54 to -0.12)	-0.06 (-0.47–0.35)	-0.13 (-0.52–0.26)	-0.22 (0.57–0.13)	0.10 (-0.20–0.40)	-0.17* (-0.33 to -0.02)	-0.06 (-0.19–0.07)
Husband's influence								
Husband's ideal no. of children	0.08*** (0.06–0.11)	0.06*** (0.04–0.09)	0.05** (0.02–0.07)	0.02 (-0.00–0.05)	0.10*** (0.05–0.14)	0.04* (0.00–0.08)	0.18*** (0.12–0.24)	0.08*** (0.03–0.13)
Social and demographic								
Current age	0.03*** (0.02–0.05)	0.01 (-0.01–0.02)	0.04*** (0.03–0.06)	0.02 (-0.00–0.03)	0.06*** (0.04–0.07)	0.04** (0.01–0.06)	0.07*** (0.06–0.08)	0.03*** (0.01–0.04)
Urban residence	-0.60*** (-0.86 to -0.34)	0.01 (-0.33–0.36)	-0.58* (-1.06 to -0.10)	0.06 (-0.34–0.45)	-0.77*** (-1.06 to -0.48)	0.24 (-0.14–0.62)	-1.02*** (-1.21 to -0.83)	-0.18 (-0.42–0.07)
Household wealth index								
Poorest	(ref)	(ref)	(ref)	(ref)	(ref)	(ref)	(ref)	(ref)
Poor	0.07 (-0.31–0.44)	0.05 (-0.32–0.42)	-0.09 (-0.45–0.27)	-0.04 (-0.42–0.34)	-0.61 (-1.31–0.09)	-0.63 (-1.30–0.05)	-0.02 (-0.27–0.22)	0.02 (-0.20–0.25)
Middle	-0.13 (0.45–0.18)	-0.12 (-0.42–0.18)	-0.37* (-0.74 to -0.01)	-0.27 (-0.65–0.11)	-1.20*** (1.79–0.61)	-1.08*** (-1.62 to -0.54)	-0.17 (-0.38–0.04)	0.02 (-0.17–0.21)
Rich	-0.19 (0.54–0.15)	-0.14 (-0.50–0.21)	-0.48* (-0.88 to -0.08)	-0.29 (-0.75–0.16)	-1.57*** (-2.11 to -1.03)	-1.46*** (-2.10 to -0.83)	-0.77*** (-1.01 to -0.53)	-0.25 (-0.55–0.06)
Richest	-0.82*** (1.20–0.45)	-0.49* (-0.97 to -0.01)	-1.01** (-1.67 to -0.35)	-0.64* (-1.25 to -0.03)	-1.70*** (-2.24 to -1.15)	-1.58*** (-2.33 to -0.84)	-1.47*** (-1.72 to -1.21)	-0.59*** (-0.92 to -0.27)
Education								
None	(ref)	(ref)	(ref)	(ref)	(ref)	(ref)	(ref)	(ref)
Primary	-0.77*** (1.13–0.41)	-0.36 (-0.72–0.01)	-0.44* (-0.82 to -0.07)	-0.33 (-0.75–0.10)	-0.04 (0.59–0.51)	0.20 (-0.35–0.75)	-0.61*** (-0.87 to -0.34)	-0.38** (-0.63 to -0.14)
≥secondary	-1.12*** (1.59–0.66)	-0.49* (-0.97 to -0.01)	-1.74*** (-2.10 to -1.38)	-1.33*** (-1.99 to -0.67)	-0.93*** (1.44–0.42)	0.03 (-0.55–0.61)	-1.83*** (-2.11 to -1.55)	-0.93*** (-1.20 to -0.65)
Polygamous union	0.28** (0.07–0.48)	-0.16 (-0.35–0.04)	-0.06 (-0.28–0.16)	-0.36*** (-0.55 to -0.17)	0.08 (-0.31–0.47)	0.12 (-0.27–0.50)	0.26* (0.01–0.51)	-0.30* (-0.55 to -0.04)
No. of living children	0.19*** (0.13–0.24)	0.14*** (0.08–0.20)	0.21*** (0.16–0.25)	0.15*** (0.09–0.21)	0.35*** (0.27–0.43)	0.18** (0.07–0.29)	0.33*** (0.30–0.37)	0.19*** (0.14–0.25)

*p<.05.**p<.01.***p<.001. †Final say alone or jointly with husband in regard to one's own health care, making major household purchases, making household purchases for daily needs and visiting family or relatives. ‡Whether a husband is justified in beating his wife if she goes out without telling him, neglects the children, argues with him, refuses to have sex with him or burns the food. §Whether a woman is justified in refusing sexual intercourse with her husband if he has a STI, he has sex with other women, or she is tired or not in the mood.