

**TABLE 2. Levels and trends in number of live births and in the proportion and number of births with skilled attendant present at delivery, 1990 and 2008**

Region	No. of live births (in 000s)			% with skilled attendant			No. with skilled attendant (in 000s)		
	1990	2008	Average annual change (%)	1990	2008	Average annual change (%)	1990	2008	Average annual change (%)
Sub-Saharan Africa	23,000	32,000	1.8	41	46	0.6	9,400	15,000	2.4
Southern Asia	40,000	39,000	0.0	30	45	2.3	12,000	18,000	2.2
Southeastern Asia	12,000	11,000	-0.5	46	75	2.7	5,600	8,300	2.2

Notes: See note in Table 1 for information on rounding. The number of births with skilled attendant present at delivery was estimated by multiplying the number of live births by the proportion of births with a skilled attendant present. Sources: Births—reference 19; skilled birth attendance—reference 25.