

TABLE 3. Odds ratios (and standard errors) from bivariate multilevel discrete-time hazard models examining associations between selected characteristics and sexual debut, by gender

Characteristic	Males	Females
INDIVIDUAL LEVEL		
Time/duration		
≤12 (ref)	1.00	1.00
13–14	0.35 (0.05)**	0.23 (0.07)**
15–16	0.16 (0.10)**	0.09 (0.12)**
17	0.13 (0.17)**	0.10 (0.24)**
Ethnicity		
Luo (ref)	1.00	1.00
Kissii	1.09 (0.07)	0.73 (0.13)**
Other	0.79 (0.12)	0.46 (0.23)**
Religion		
Catholic (ref)	1.00	1.00
Protestant	1.02 (0.04)	0.87 (0.07)*
Other	0.96 (0.08)	0.83 (0.17)
Perceived risk of HIV		
No chance at all (ref)	1.00	1.00
Small chance	1.34 (0.05)**	1.86 (0.07)**
Moderate chance	1.09 (0.06)	1.58 (0.09)**
Great chance	1.16 (0.05)**	1.20 (0.09)*
Knew someone in village who died of AIDS		
No (ref)	1.00	1.00
Yes	1.14 (0.03)**	1.35 (0.07)**
Does not know	1.13 (0.10)	1.40 (0.17)*
Socioeconomic status		
	1.01 (0.02)	1.01 (0.03)
Sexual pressure		
	1.58 (0.03)**	2.11 (0.04)**
Knowledge about AIDS		
	0.89 (0.02)**	0.88 (0.04)**
Transmission myths endorsed		
	1.13 (0.02)**	1.24 (0.04)**
Talked to male relative about HIV/AIDS		
	1.03 (0.02)	1.04 (0.04)
Talked to female relative about HIV/AIDS		
	1.03 (0.02)	1.07 (0.03)*
Sought information about AIDS		
	0.98 (0.02)	0.98 (0.04)
Condom use self-efficacy		
	1.02 (0.02)	1.12 (0.04)**
Abstinence self-efficacy		
	0.94 (0.02)**	1.01 (0.04)
SCHOOL/COMMUNITY LEVEL		
Most important HIV message for youth		
Abstinence	0.85 (0.07)*	0.90 (0.13)
Other (ref)	1.00	1.00
Deaths due to AIDS publicly acknowledged		
No (ref)	1.00	1.00
Yes	0.86 (0.14)	0.40 (0.32)**
No. of PTA meetings where HIV/AIDS discussed		
	0.95 (0.04)	1.01 (0.05)
Primary school received PSABH program		
No (ref)	1.00	1.00
Yes	0.87 (0.07)*	0.76 (0.13)*
HIV risk from traditional practices		
No (ref)	1.00	1.00
Yes	1.05 (0.10)	1.23 (0.17)
HIV risk from social events		
No (ref)	1.00	1.00
Yes	0.97 (0.09)	1.00 (0.19)
HIV programs incorporated into festivals		
No (ref)	1.00	1.00
Yes	1.29 (0.10)**	1.24 (0.17)
Pupils can get condoms		
No (ref)	1.00	1.00
Yes	1.02 (0.08)	0.80 (0.14)

*p<0.05. **p<0.01. Notes: PSABH=Primary School Action for Better Health. PTA=Parent-teacher association.