

TABLE 1. Proportions (and confidence intervals) of women having a first birth before ages 15, 16 and 19, according to their reports at ages 15–19 in the first Demographic and Health Survey (DHS) and at ages 20–24 in the second DHS, and the percentage difference and percentage-point difference between surveys, nine countries, 2001–2011

Country and age at first birth	Age 15–19	Age 20–24	Percentage difference	Percentage-point difference
Benin	2001	2006		
<15	2.1 (1.3–2.9)	4.8 (4.1–5.6)	128.6	2.7
<16	4.4 (3.1–5.6)	8.8 (7.8–9.8)	100.0	4.4
<19	27.9 (21.8–34.1)	34.0 (32.3–35.6)	21.9	6.1
Ghana	2003	2008		
<15	0.6 (0.2–1.1)	2.2 (1.2–3.2)	266.7	1.6
<16	2.0 (1.1–2.9)	5.2 (3.7–6.7)	160.0	3.2
<19	17.9 (12.4–23.5)	23.7 (20.9–26.5)	32.4	5.8
Madagascar	2003	2008–2009		
<15	5.3 (4.2–6.4)	7.9 (6.9–8.9)	49.1	2.6
<16	9.8 (8.1–11.4)	13.9 (12.6–15.2)	41.8	4.1
<19	40.7 (35.0–46.4)	45.5 (43.7–45.0)	11.8	4.8
Mali	2001	2006		
<15	5.3 (4.4–6.1)	9.9 (8.7–11.0)	86.8	4.6
<16	12.1 (10.6–13.5)	19.8 (18.3–21.3)	63.6	7.7
<19	53.4 (48.3–58.6)	58.3 (56.4–60.1)	9.2	4.9
Senegal	2005	2010–2011		
<15	2.0 (1.6–2.5)	5.8 (4.9–6.5)	190.0	3.8
<16	5.7 (4.8–6.5)	9.3 (8.3–10.3)	63.2	3.6
<19	30.6 (26.7–34.5)	28.5 (27.0–30.0)	–6.9	–2.1
Uganda	2006	2011		
<15	1.4 (0.9–1.9)	6.6 (5.4–7.8)	371.4	5.2
<16	4.6 (3.5–5.7)	12.3 (10.7–13.9)	167.4	7.7
<19	45.5 (44.4–46.5)	46.1 (43.7–48.6)	1.3	0.6
Bolivia	2003	2008		
<15	1.1 (0.7–1.4)	1.8 (1.3–2.3)	63.6	0.7
<16	3.8 (3.1–4.4)	5.2 (4.3–6.0)	36.8	1.4
<19	24.2 (20.9–27.6)	29.0 (27.2–30.6)	19.8	4.8
Colombia	2005	2010		
<15	1.7 (1.4–2.1)	2.3 (2.0–2.6)	35.3	0.6
<16	5.5 (4.9–6.0)	5.7 (5.2–6.2)	3.6	0.2
<19	29.6 (27.1–32.0)	28.6 (27.6–29.6)	–3.4	–1.0
Dominican Republic	2005	2010		
<15	2.6 (2.1–3.0)	3.0 (2.5–3.5)	15.4	0.4
<16	7.4 (6.6–8.3)	8.5 (7.7–9.3)	14.9	1.1
<19	33.2 (30.1–36.2)	33.8 (32.3–35.2)	1.8	0.6

Note: Estimates are based on the proportion of the sample exposed to the relevant time period.