

# Understanding Society User Support - Support #1931

## Child Birthweight

07/05/2023 01:48 PM - Taiba Chaudhry

<b>Status:</b>	Resolved	<b>Start date:</b>	07/05/2023
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<b>Assignee:</b>	Taiba Chaudhry		
<b>Category:</b>	Data documentation		
<b>Description</b>			
<p>I am interested in looking at children's birthweight across the waves from 2010 and onwards. I have come across various children's birthweight variables but am failing to understand the difference between some. In the newborn dataset, they include variables c_bwt, c_bwtlb, c_bwtoz, c_bwtk, c_bwtg5 for the child's birth weight. It also includes c_chdnub_lw and c_chdnub_xw which are indicated as newborn birthweight. I am not sure what the difference is between the first 5 variables and the last two variables. In addition, what are the units of measurement for the last two variables I was not able to find that information? Thank you.</p>			

### History

#### #1 - 07/06/2023 01:52 PM - Understanding Society User Support Team

- Category changed from Derived variables to Data documentation
- Status changed from New to Feedback
- % Done changed from 0 to 90
- Private changed from Yes to No

Hi Taiba,

The c\_bwt, c\_bwtlb, c\_bwtoz, c\_bwtk, c\_bwtg5 are variables pertaining to child's birth weight, c\_chdnub\_lw and c\_chdnub\_xw are survey weights which need to be used to make the sample fully representative and correctly reflect the population structure (you can read more about these weights here: <https://www.understandingsociety.ac.uk/documentation/mainstage/user-guides/main-survey-user-guide/why-use-weights>).

I hope this helps.

Best wishes,  
Piotr  
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#### #2 - 11/30/2023 01:16 PM - Understanding Society User Support Team

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- % Done changed from 90 to 100