

Table 2 Sociodemographic and maternal characteristics of cases and controls (*n* = 950)

Variables	Cases ( <i>n</i> )	%	Controls ( <i>n</i> )	%
<b>Socioeconomic status of the household</b>				
1 Poorest	80	16.8	78	16.4
2 Poorer	101	21.3	106	22.4
3 Middle	94	20	96	20.3
4 Richer	104	21.9	97	20.5
5 Richest	95	19.9	97	20.4
<b>Maternal age, yr</b>				
< 20	114	24	114	24
20–30	242	50.9	242	50.9
> 30	119	25.1	119	25.1
<b>Maternal education (years of schooling)</b>				
Illiterate	297	62.5	208	43.8
Primary or less (1–5)	77	16.2	89	18.7
Middle (6–8)	41	8.6	79	16.6
Matric (9–10)	35	7.4	48	10.2
Intermediate and above (>10)	25	5.3	51	10.7
<b>Parity</b>				
Nulliparous	73	15.3	50	10.5
Primiparous	136	28.6	103	21.6
Multiparous	266	56.1	323	67.9
<b>History of miscarriage/abortion</b>				
Yes	72	15.2	49	10.4
No	403	84.2	426	89.6
<b>History of stillbirth</b>				
Yes	31	6.6	18	3.1
No	93.4	444	457	96.9
<b>Number of ANC visits</b>				
< 2	210	44.3	149	31.4
2–4	181	38.2	203	42.7
> 4	84	17.5	123	25.9
<b>Time when ANC was sought</b>				
3rd trimester	180	37.8	74	15.6
2nd trimester	182	38.4	240	50.5
1st trimester	113	23.8	166	34.9
<b>Iron folic acid supplementation</b>				
No	353	74.3	256	53.6
Yes	122	25.7	219	46.4
<b>Calcium supplementation</b>				
No	405	85.2	409	86.1
Yes	70	14.8	66	13.9
<b>History of hypertension during pregnancy</b>				
Yes	102	21.4	65	13.7
No	373	78.6	410	86.3
<b>History of gestational diabetes</b>				
Yes	27	5.6	25	5.2
No	448	94.4	450	94.8
<b>Anaemia during pregnancy, haemoglobin</b>				
Anaemia < 110 g/dL	324	68.3	203	42.8
Normal ≥ 110 g/dL	151	31.7	272	57.2
<b>Postpartum maternal weight, kg</b>				
< 45	250	52.6	177	37.2
45–55	183	38.5	208	43.8
> 55	42	8.9	90	19.0

ANC = antenatal care.