

**Table 3 Logistic regression analysis of significant independent predictors of timely breastfeeding initiation**

Variable	Significance		OR (95% CI)
	$\beta$ -value	P-value	
<i>Prelacteal feeding</i>			
Yes	-		1*
No	2.6	< 0.001	13.7 (4.9–38.6)
<i>Residence</i>			
Urban	-		1*
Rural/hegar	1.4	< 0.001	4.2 (2.6–6.8)
<i>Breast problems</i>			
Yes	-		1*
No	1.2	0.011	3.4 (1.3–8.7)
<i>Parity</i>			
1	-		1*
2 or 3	1.1	0.003	2.9 (1.4–5.8)
4+	0.9	0.02	2.4 (1.1–4.9)

\*Reference group.

Constant = -7.0;  $\chi^2 = 119.4$ ;  $P < 0.001$ ; % correctly predicted = 88.6%.

OR = odds ratio; CI = confidence interval.