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Table 2
Description of work accommodations and strategies for concurrently working for pay and breast-feeding – results from IFPS II

Variables	Northwest States (N=46)	Other States (N=782)
Change in % of milk feedings from breast milk in first month after return to work, mean	-3.5	-6.8
Breastfeeding duration after return to paid work, median, wk	31.3	26.1
Total breastfeeding duration, medial, wk	38.9	37.1
Age of infant when mother returned to paid work, median, wk	10.1	11.5
Accommodations used in the first month after return to work		
Keeps the infant at work and breastfeeds during the work day	40.9	38.8
Goes to infant to breastfeed during the work day	4.5	7.9
Infant is brought to mother to breastfeed during the work day	4.5	2.5
Pumps milk and saves for infant	53.8	36.4
Pumps and discards milk	0	0.3
Neither pumps nor breastfeeds during the work day	18.2	10.5
Strategies used in the first month after return to work		
Feed directly from the breast only	39.5	30.8
Pump and feed directly from the breast	7.0	9.5
Pump only	34.9	43.8
Neither pump nor feed directly during the work day	18.6	15.9
Work Characteristics, %		
Time worked when first returned to work, mean, h/wk	23.3	24.9
Prenatal household income from mother's salary		
None	6.8	9.9
Less than half	52.3	37.9
Approximately half	15.9	27.8
More than half	25.0	24.4
Workplace is very supportive of breastfeeding: prenatal	45.4	33.8
Workplace is very supportive of breastfeeding: postnatal	63.2	51.9

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