

**Table. Distribution of Descriptive Characteristics of Midwives (n = 322)**

<b>Descriptive Characteristics</b>	<b>Mean±SD</b>	
Age (years)	37.82 ± 9.07 (range: 20-58)	
Working time in the field related to obstetrics (years)	9.14 ± 6.23	
	<b>n</b>	<b>%</b>
<b>Educational level</b>		
High school	20	6.2
Associate Degree	118	36.6
Undergraduate/ University	162	50.3
Master's degree	22	6.8
<b>Income Status</b>		
Less than my revenues	104	32.3
The revenue is equal to the expense	185	57.5
More than my revenue	33	10.2
<b>Working Unit</b>		
County state hospital	65	20.2
Provincial State Hospital	163	50.6
University Hospital	26	8.1
Family and Community Health Center	68	21.1
<b>Total Term of Duty</b>		
From 1 to 10 years	151	46.9
Between 10-20 years	69	21.4
More than 30 years	102	31.7
<b>Weekly Working Hours</b>		
40 hours	233	72.4
41 hours and above	89	27.6
<b>Adequate Number of Midwives in the Service Worked</b>		
Yes	95	29.5
Partially	96	29.8

No	131	40.7
<b>Loving the Profession</b>		
Yes	287	89.1
No	35	10.9
<b>Selecting the Unit of Study Willingly</b>		
Yes	246	76.4
No	76	23.6
<b>Willingly Choosing The Profession</b>		
Yes	218	67.7
No	104	32.3
<b>Finding the Profession Suitable for You</b>		
Yes	265	82.3
No	57	17.7
<b>Membership in an association or union related to the profession</b>		
Only Association	18	5.6
Only Union	152	47.2
Association and Union	10	3.1
None	142	44.1
<b>Total</b>	<b>322</b>	<b>100.0</b>

SD: Standard Deviation