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PART 1: Review Comments

	Reviewer's comment	Author's comment (if agreed with reviewer, correct the manuscript and highlight that part in the manuscript. It is mandatory that authors should write his/her feedback here)
Compulsory REVISION comments	<p>In 2018 OECD report, the rate of cesarean delivery in Turkey was 548,9 per 1000 deliveries, higher than the reported literature search in the article. As Turkey has been reported as a country in Western Asia including Iraq, Saudi Arabia, Turkey, and the UAE, the literature search is incomplete</p> <p>The majority of the studies had robust sample sizes “Just over half ($n=13$; 54%) of the studies reported overall sample sizes between 1,500-7,500, followed by four (17%) studies with sample sizes between 10,000-20,000 [27], [29], [38], [44]; two (8%) studies with sample sizes between 40,000-50,000 [42], [43]; two (8%) studies with sample sizes between 85,000-120,000 [6], [28]; one (4%) study with a sample size over 600,000 [30]. Two studies did not report the sample sizes [34], [36]. When examining only the sample size in CB subsets, half ($n=13$; 54%) were between 1,000-5,800; five (21%) between 700-999; and four (17%) between 17,000-35,000. There was one outlier with a sample size under 200 (4%) and one outlier with a sample size over 100,000 (4%).” An article from Turkey An analysis of high cesarean section rates in Turkey by Robson classification. Journal of Maternal Fetal Neonatal Medicine 2021; 34 (16): 2682-2692 doi:10.1080 /14767058.2019. 1670806 Published online 01. Oct 2019 detailing the features by an analysis does not only includes the highest number of deliveries annually but also provides the differences between the public, private and university hospitals. I think that it is mandatory to include the Turkish data into the analysis.</p>	Thank you for sharing this study. I have included it in the analysis.
Minor REVISION comments	Apart from the age, the place of birth (public, private and university hospitals) should also be added	Thank you for this suggestion, I am not able to clearly identify public vs private vs university hospitals because not or all articles shared this information. I hope to include this variable in the future studies.
Optional/General comments		Thank you very much for all your suggestions and comments. They were very helpful.

PART 2:

	Reviewer's comment	Author's comment (if agreed with reviewer, correct the manuscript and highlight that part in the manuscript. It is mandatory that authors should write his/her feedback here)
Are there ethical issues in this manuscript?	<u>(If yes, Kindly please write down the ethical issues here in details)</u>	