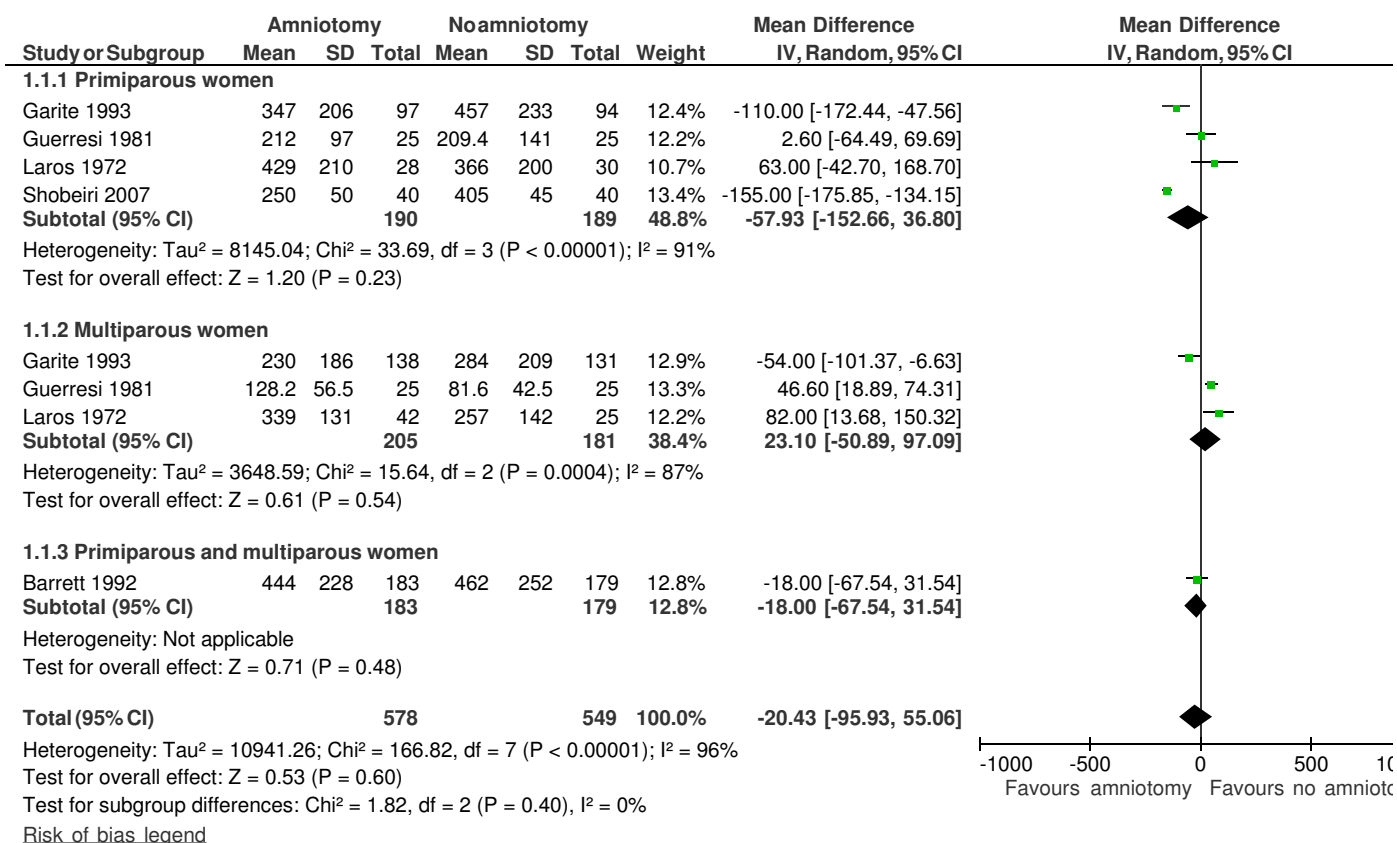
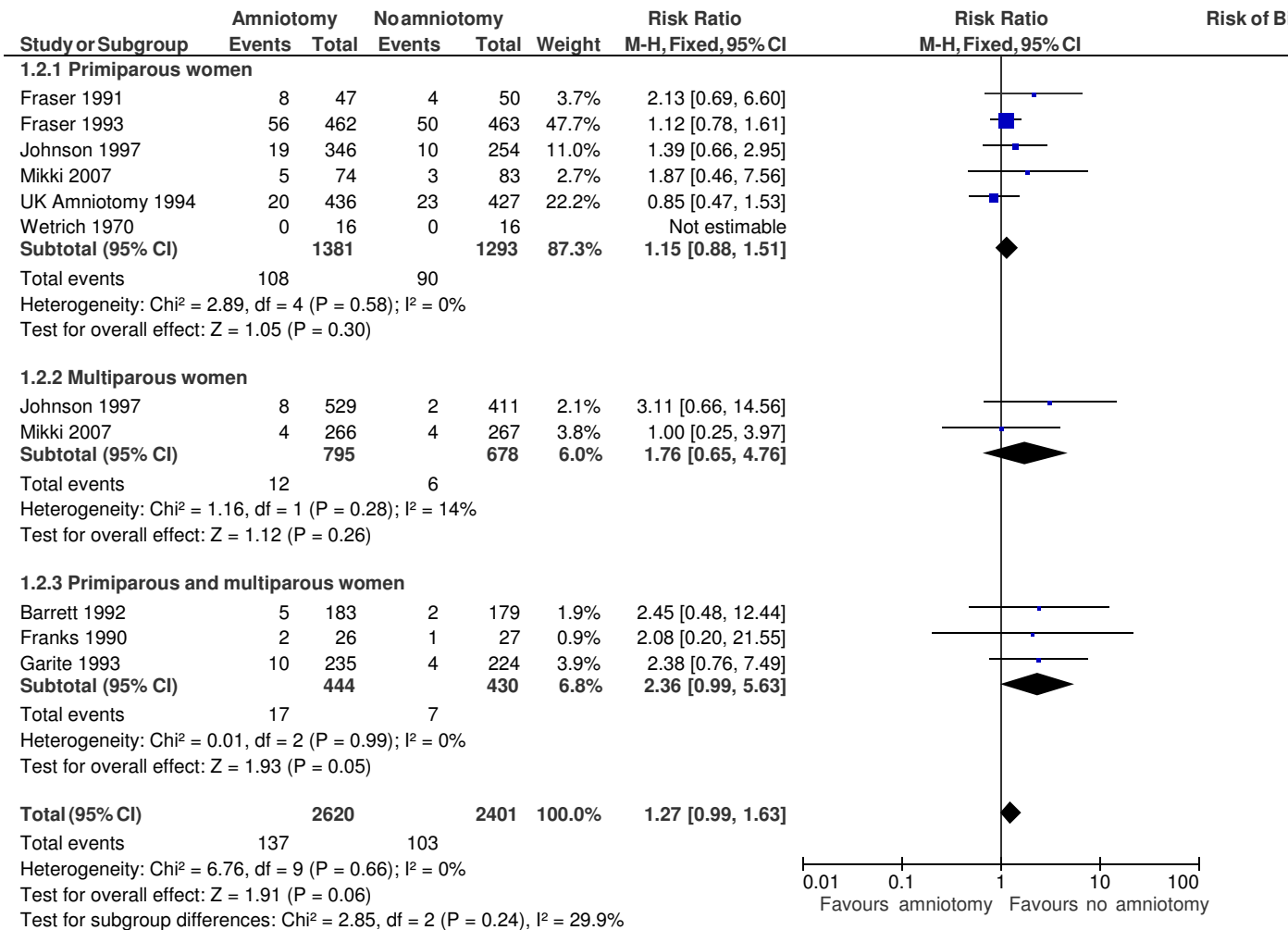


1 Amniotomy versus no amniotomy

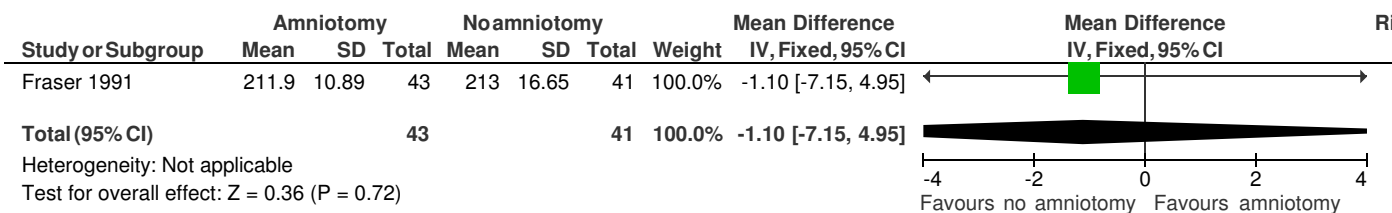
1.1 Length of first stage of labour



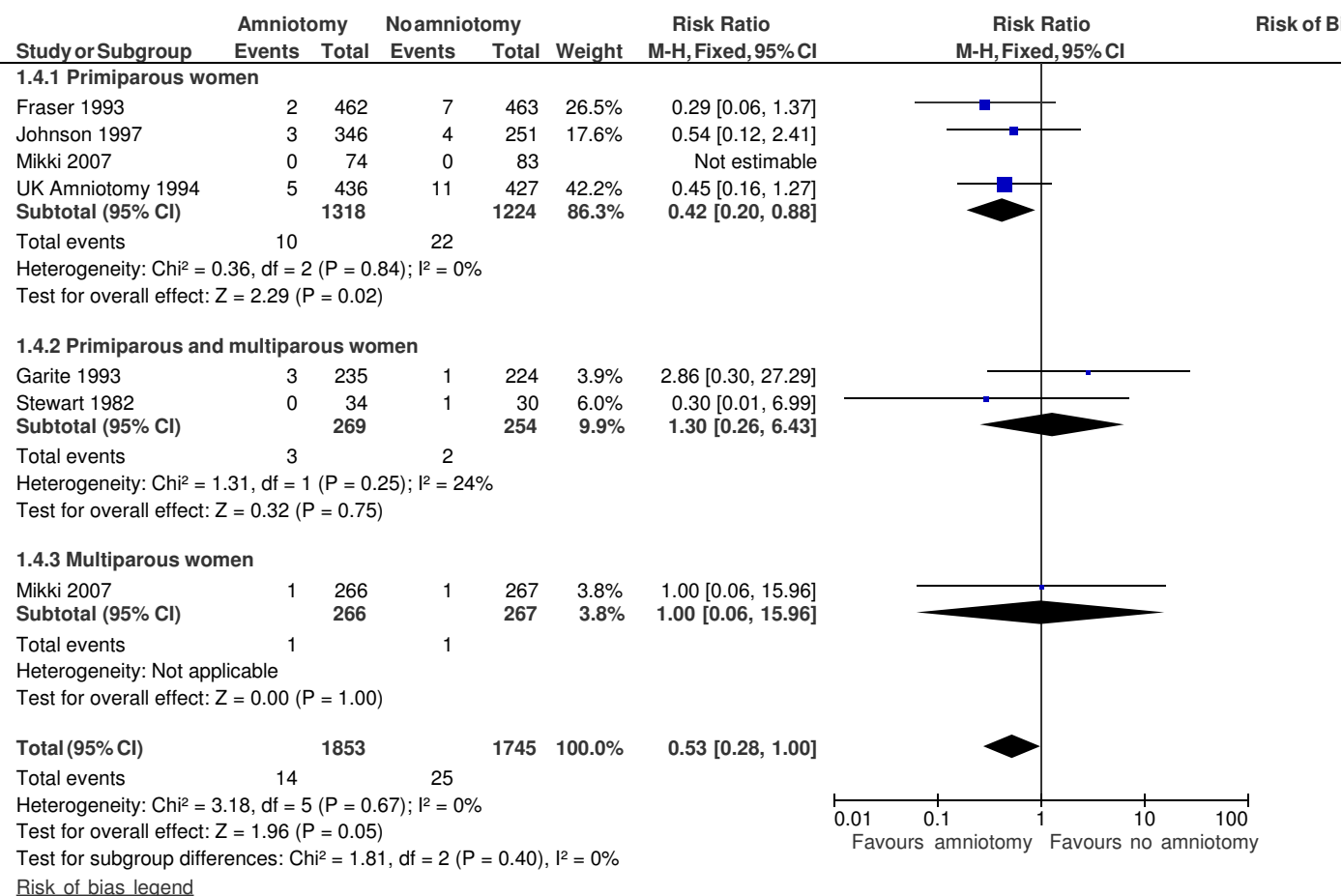
1.2 Caesarean section



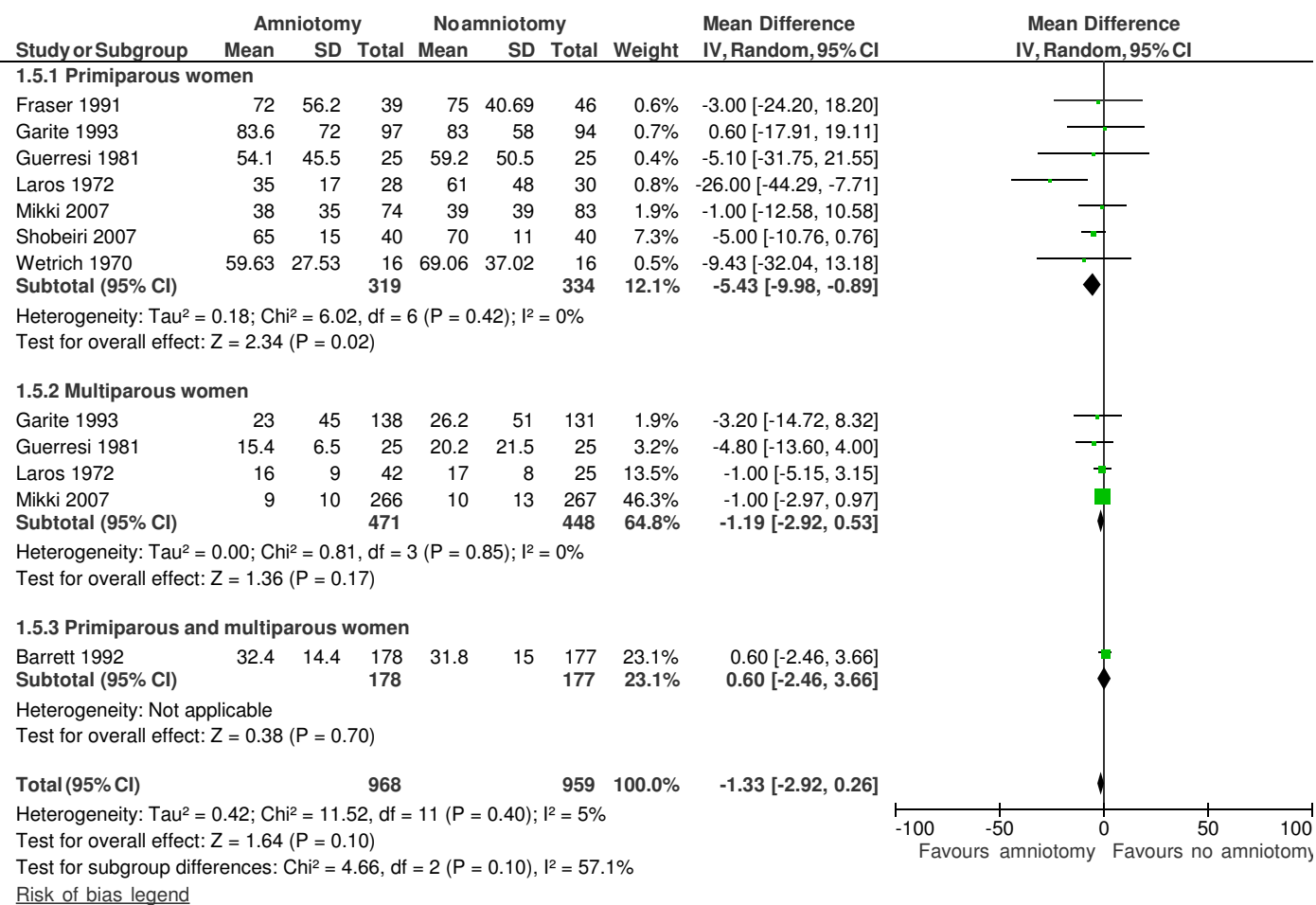
1.3 Maternal satisfaction with childbirth experience



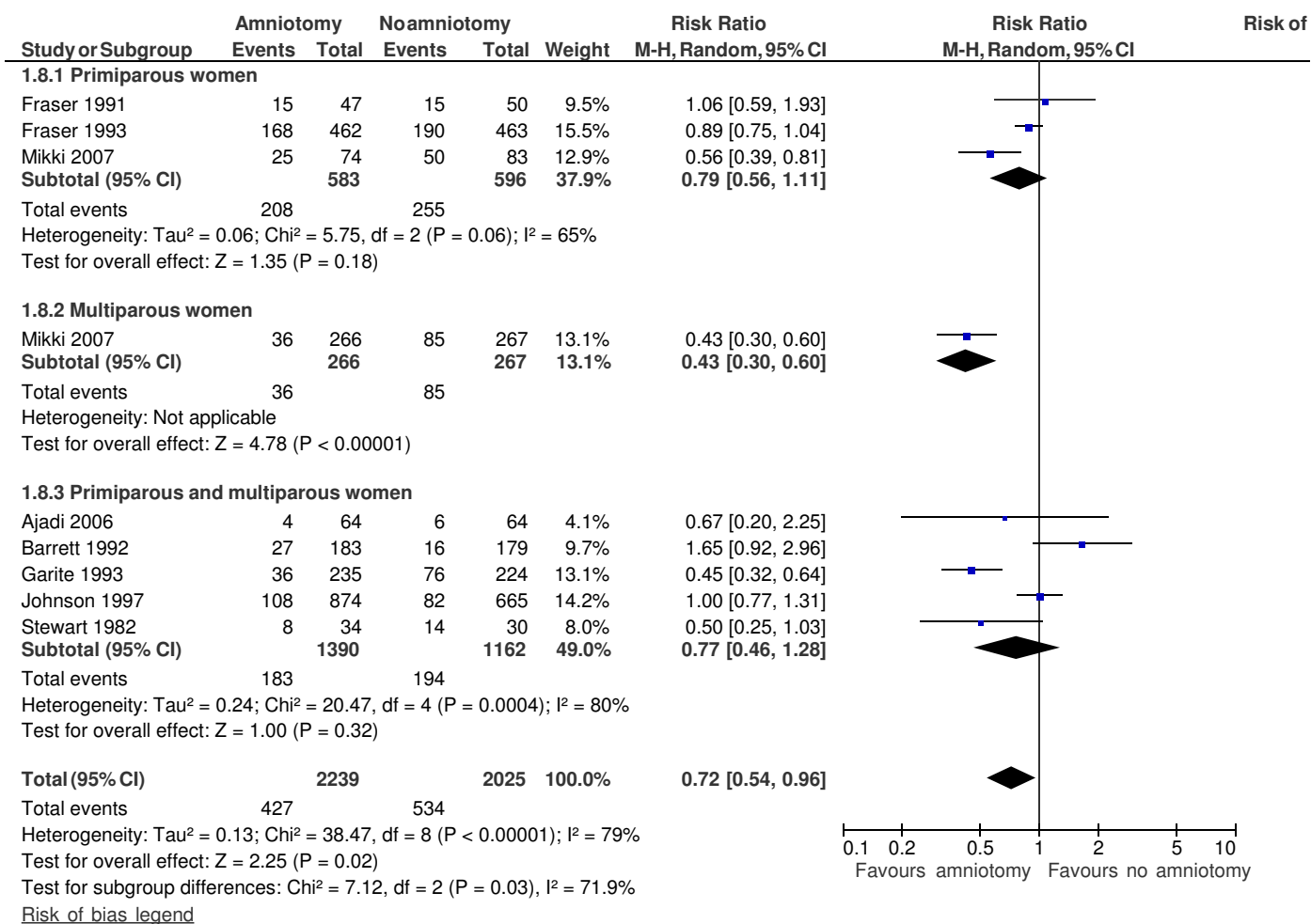
1.4 Apgar score less than 7 at 5 minutes



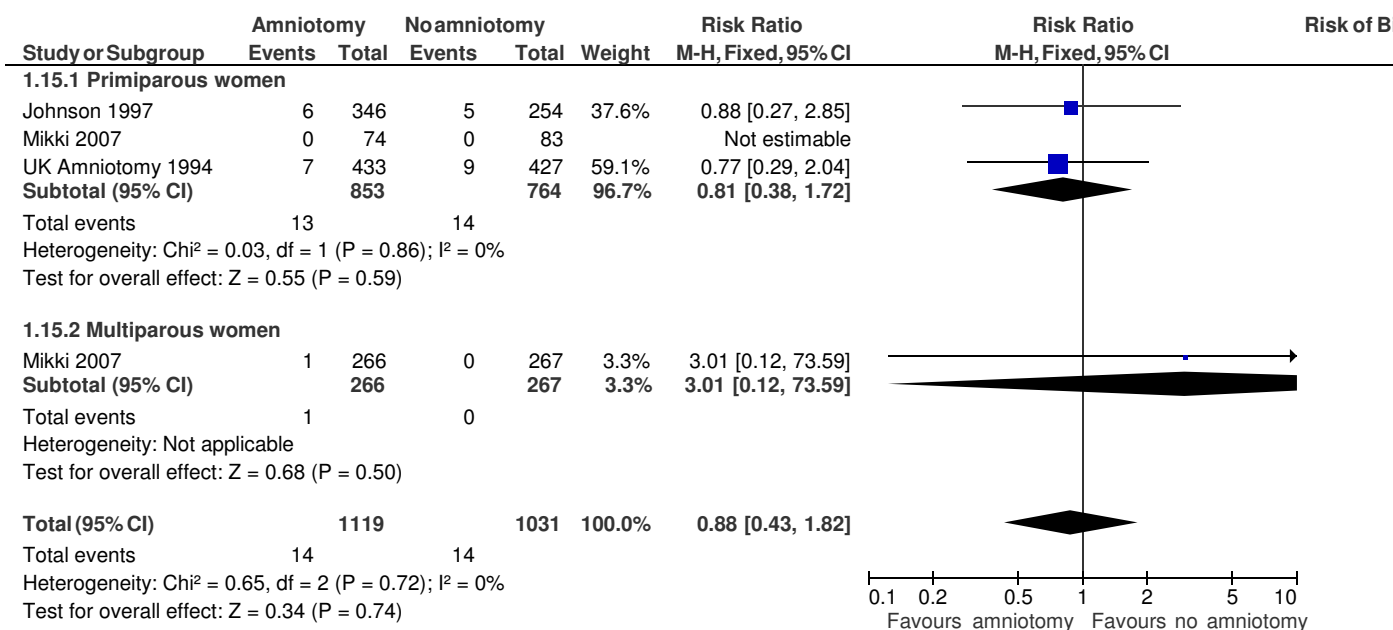
1.5 Length of second stage



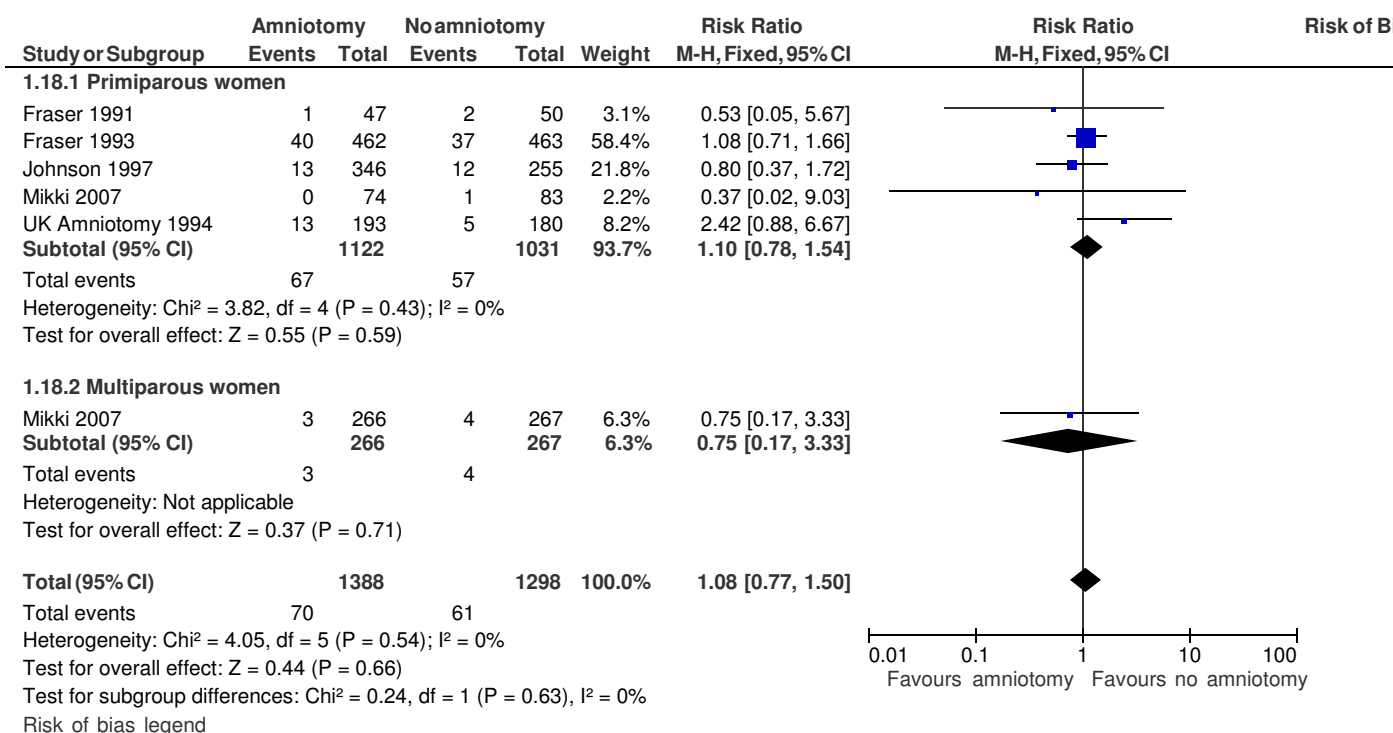
1.8 Oxytocin augmentation



1.15 Maternal infection

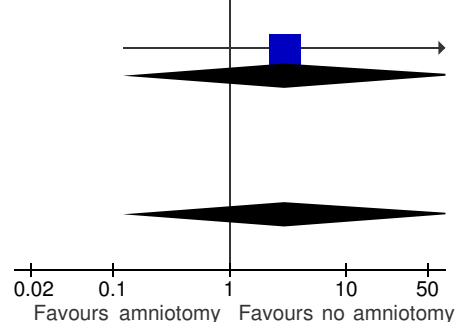


1.18 Admission to special care baby unit/neonatal intensive care unit

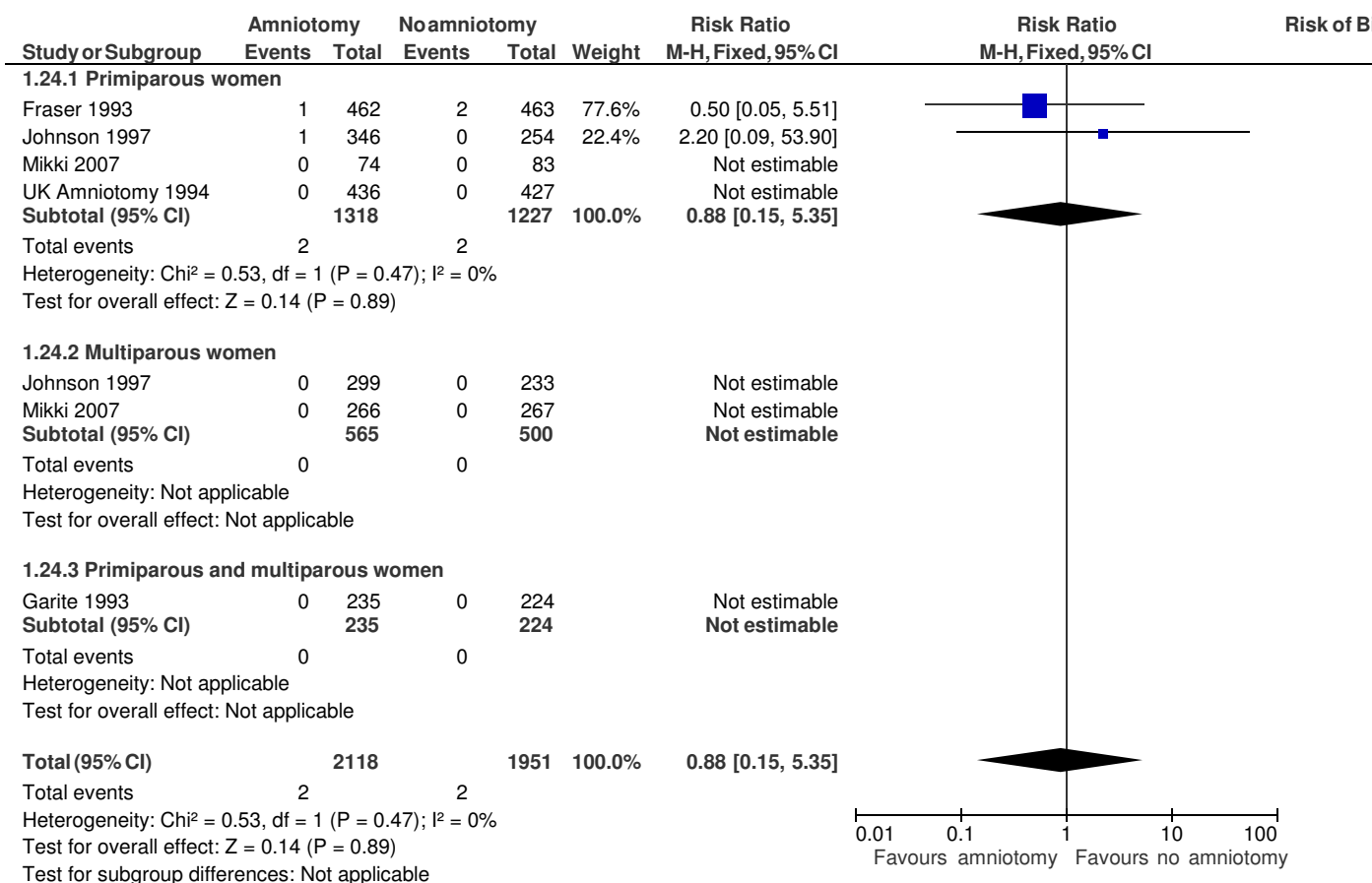


1.22 Perinatal death

Study or Subgroup	Amniotomy		Noamniotomy		Weight	Risk Ratio	Risk Ratio	Risk of B
	Events	Total	Events	Total		M-H, Fixed, 95% CI	M-H, Fixed, 95% CI	
1.22.1 Primiparous women								
Fraser 1991	0	47	0	50		Not estimable		
Fraser 1993	0	462	0	463		Not estimable		
Johnson 1997	0	346	0	255		Not estimable		
Laros 1972	0	28	0	30		Not estimable		
Mikki 2007	0	74	0	83		Not estimable		
UK Amniotomy 1994	0	436	0	427		Not estimable		
Wetrich 1970	0	16	0	16		Not estimable		
Subtotal (95% CI)		1409		1324		Not estimable		
Total events	0		0					
Heterogeneity: Not applicable								
Test for overall effect: Not applicable								
1.22.2 Primiparous and multiparous women								
Stewart 1982	0	34	0	30		Not estimable		
Subtotal (95% CI)		34		30		Not estimable		
Total events	0		0					
Heterogeneity: Not applicable								
Test for overall effect: Not applicable								
1.22.3 Multiparous women								
Laros 1972	0	42	0	25		Not estimable		
Mikki 2007	1	266	0	267	100.0%	3.01 [0.12, 73.59]		
Subtotal (95% CI)		308		292	100.0%	3.01 [0.12, 73.59]		
Total events	1		0					
Heterogeneity: Not applicable								
Test for overall effect: Z = 0.68 (P = 0.50)								
Total (95% CI)		1751		1646	100.0%	3.01 [0.12, 73.59]		
Total events	1		0					
Heterogeneity: Not applicable								
Test for overall effect: Z = 0.68 (P = 0.50)								
Test for subgroup differences: Not applicable								
Risk of bias legend								



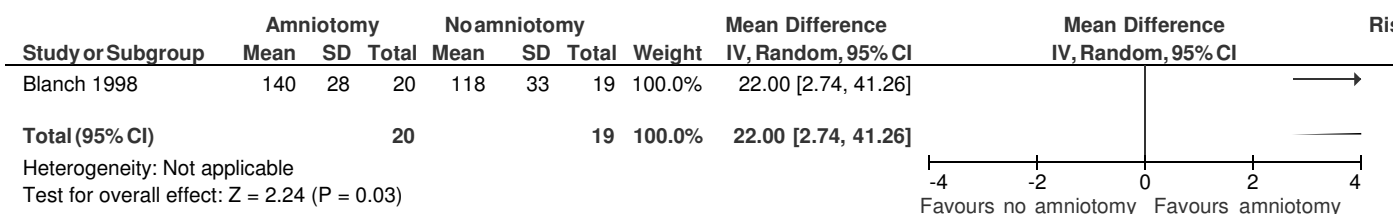
1.24 Seizures (neonate)



[Risk of bias legend](#)

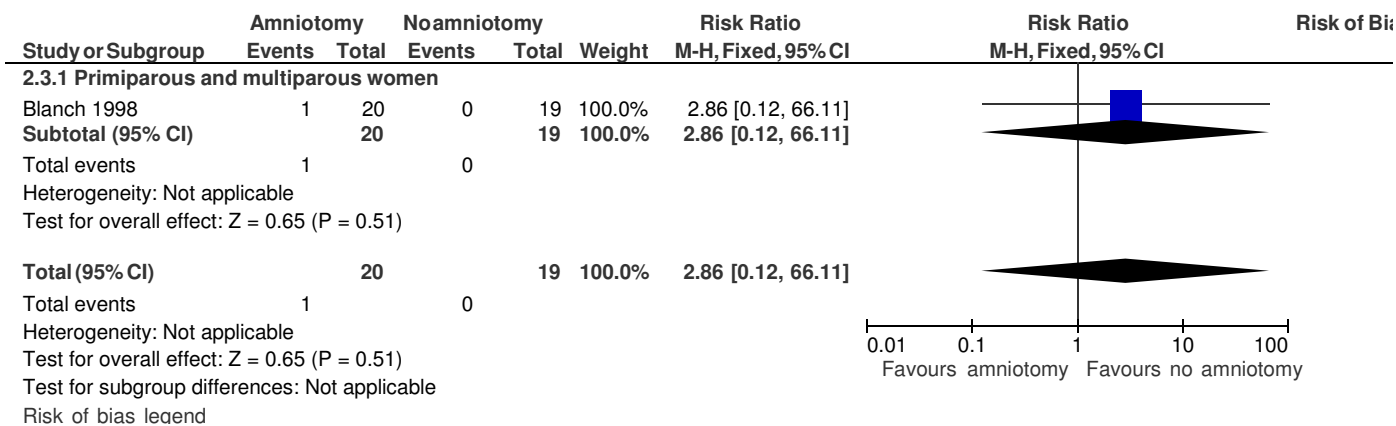
2 Amniotomy vs no amniotomy (dysfunctional labour)

2.2 Maternal satisfaction with childbirth experience

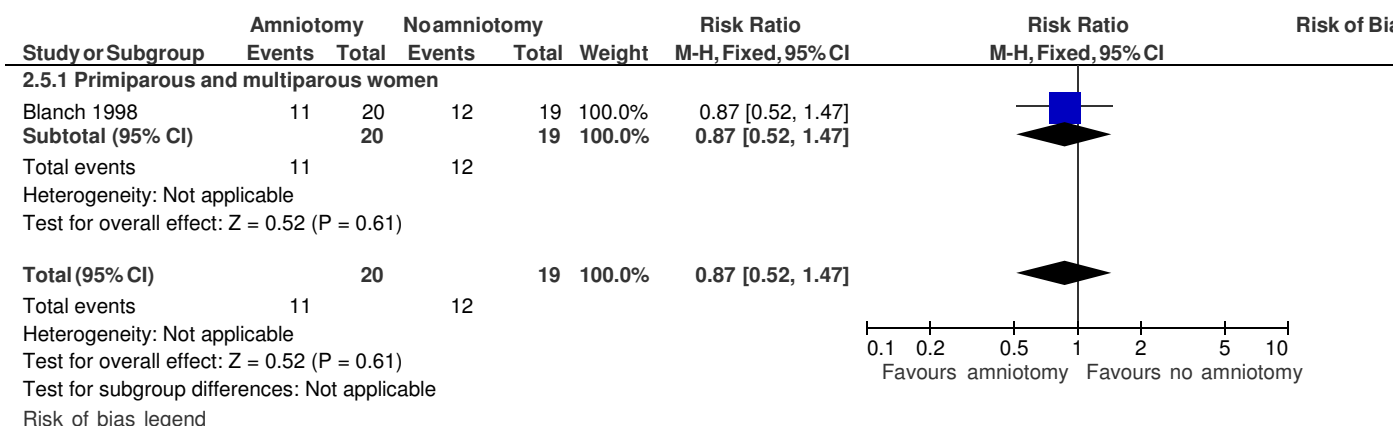


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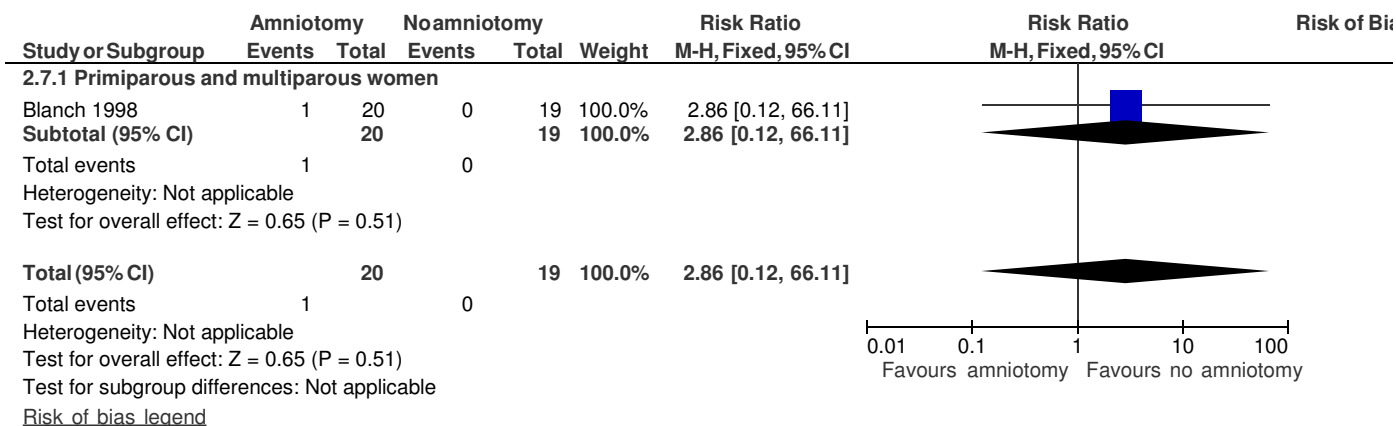
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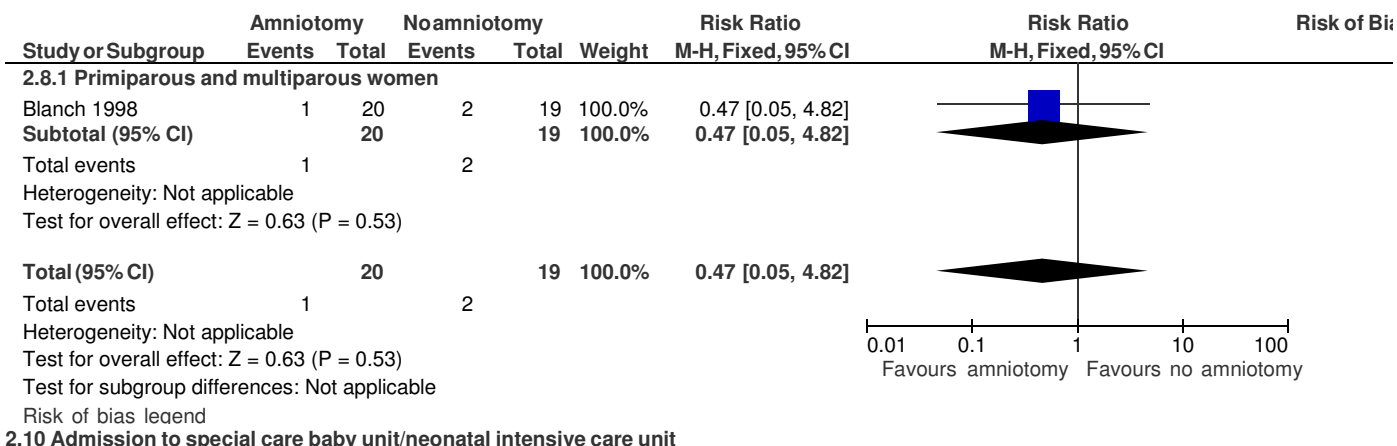
2.5 Oxytocin augmentation



2.7 Caesarean section for fetal distress



2.8 Caesarean section for prolonged labour



2.10 Admission to special care baby unit/neonatal intensive care unit

