

Table 4. Median duration (in months) of birth intervals, and percentage distribution of women protected by sterilization by length of birth interval, all according to previous method use and type of birth interval

Length of interval (in months)	All	Users	Nonusers
BETWEEN 1ST AND 2ND BIRTHS	(N=1,970)	(N=772)	(N=1,198)
Median	28.0	32.0	26.0
% distribution			
<24	35.4	28.2	40.0
24–35	33.1	29.5	35.5
36–47	17.5	20.7	15.4
≥48	14.0	21.6	9.1
BETWEEN 2ND AND 3RD BIRTHS	(N=1,210)	(N=426)	(N=784)
Median	28.0	29.0	27.0
% distribution			
<24	33.0	30.0	34.7
24–35	35.0	31.0	37.1
36–47	17.1	16.0	17.7
≥48	14.9	23.0	10.5
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0