

Table 1. Percentage distribution of women who obtained an induced abortion and of women who responded to a general Norwegian fertility survey, by characteristic, 1988–1990

Characteristic	Obtained abortion (N=1,386)	General population (N=2,627)
Age		
20–24	35.7	30.5
25–34	45.8	35.7
35–44	18.5	33.8
Marital status		
Single	52.0	19.4
Married or cohabiting	48.0	80.6
Parity		
0 or 1	62.5	46.7
≥2	37.5	53.3
Contraceptive use*		
None	56.5	4.3
Natural methods	2.8	5.8
Condom	22.7	16.4
Diaphragm	0.9	0.5
IUD	6.6	27.8
Pill	10.0	28.4
Vasectomy	0.2	4.3
Female sterilization	0.2	12.5
Total	100.0	100.0

*Among women obtaining an abortion, method used at time of conception, and among general population, method used in the month before the interview.