

**TABLE 3. Percentage of couples who reported unintended pregnancy after first birth, and odds ratios (and 95% confidence intervals) from logistic regression analysis of the likelihood of unintended pregnancy, by selected characteristics**

Characteristic	N	One unintended pregnancy		≥2 unintended pregnancies	
		%	Odds ratio	%	Odds ratio
<b>Wife's age at first birth (yrs.)</b>					
<26	1,605	51.0	1.57 (1.36–1.81)	6.4	1.98 (1.42–2.76)
26–27	2,257	45.9	1.36 (1.19–1.54)	4.9	1.47 (1.06–2.03)
28–29	1,532	37.9	1.00 (0.86–1.15)	4.2	1.32 (0.92–1.88)
≥30	1,943	37.3	1.0	3.2	1.0
<b>Duration of abstinence after birth (mos.)</b>					
<3	1,049	52.0	2.40 (2.00–2.88)	na	na
3	1,563	49.6	2.15 (1.81–2.54)	na	na
4	2,182	44.4	1.80 (1.53–2.11)	na	na
5–6	1,430	39.3	1.47 (1.23–1.74)	na	na
≥7	1,018	30.1	1.0	na	na
<b>Couple's education</b>					
Both spouses ≤middle school	1,475	43.3	1.17 (0.97–1.40)	5.3	0.92 (0.59–1.43)
At least one completed high school	4,576	44.2	1.08 (0.93–1.25)	4.6	0.73 (0.50–1.07)
At least one ≥college	1,285	38.9	1.0	3.9	1.0
<b>Couple's occupation</b>					
At least one white-collar	2,465	41.0	0.99 (0.87–1.11)	3.2	0.53 (0.38–0.73)
Both blue-collar	4,871	44.1	1.0	5.4	1.0
<b>Couple's desire for children</b>					
Both spouses want one	3,690	41.4	1.0	3.4	1.0
One wants two	1,985	44.4	1.12 (1.00–1.25)	4.8	1.53 (1.16–2.01)
Both want two	1,662	45.2	1.14 (1.01–1.29)	7.2	2.22 (1.71–2.88)
<b>Sex of baby</b>					
Male	3,723	42.2	0.93 (0.84–1.02)	4.4	0.94 (0.76–1.17)
Female	3,590	44.1	1.0	4.9	1.0
<b>Previous unintended pregnancy and outcome</b>					
None	5,794	43.2	1.0	na	na
Live birth	1,218	46.7	1.07 (0.94–1.22)	na	na
Induced abortion	197	24.4	0.45 (0.32–0.64)	na	na
Miscarriage/stillbirth	128	30.5	0.56 (0.38–0.82)	na	na

Notes: Ns are weighted. In the bivariate analyses, all characteristics except sex of baby are associated at  $p < .05$  with the proportion of couples reporting one unintended pregnancy; wife's age at first birth, couple's education and couple's desire for children are associated at  $p < .05$  with the proportion reporting two or more unintended pregnancies. na=not applicable, because variable was not included in the analysis.