

**TABLE 1. Percentage distribution of rural married women surveyed in six Bangladeshi villages, by selected characteristics, 2002**

Characteristic	%
<b>Yrs. of education</b>	
0	45.1
1-5	34.8
>5	20.1
<b>Member of microcredit program</b>	
No	59.9
Yes	40.1
<b>Economic contribution to household</b>	
Nominal or none	80.4
More than nominal	19.6
<b>Dowry agreement</b>	
No	54.1
Yes	45.9
<b>Outstanding dowry debt</b>	
No	78.4
Yes	21.6
<b>Registered marriage</b>	
No	37.7
Yes	62.3
Total	100.0

*Note:* Percentages for outstanding debt were calculated for the 551 women with a dowry agreement. For other items, denominators range from 1,189 to 1,203, depending on the number of women eligible to answer questions and the number of eligible women who answered them.