

Table 1. Weighted percentage distribution of U.S. men aged 20–39, percentage of men using contraceptives to prevent pregnancy and of men doing something to prevent STDs, by attitudes or characteristics of respondent, partner and couple, National Survey of Men, 1991 and 1993

Attitude or characteristic	Weighted % distribution (N=1,595)	% using method to prevent pregnancy (N=1,376)	% doing something to prevent STDs (N=1,587)	Attitude or characteristic	Weighted % distribution (N=1,595)	% using method to prevent pregnancy (N=1,376)	% doing something to prevent STDs (N=1,587)
Total	100.0	65.1	21.9	Age at 1993 survey			
				20–24	11.5	69.0	44.9
				25–29	18.4	65.7	23.7
				30–34	27.8	70.0	18.4
				≥35	42.3	61.0	17.1
RESPONDENT'S CHARACTERISTICS				Race			
Importance of ease of use in contraceptive choice				White	81.8	66.3	20.4
Not at all	5.8	62.1	25.8	Black	9.1	59.8	31.1
Slightly	17.6	64.7	23.5	Other	9.0	59.2	25.7
Moderately	40.1	67.5	23.3	Education			
Quite	30.5	66.7	19.4	<high school	7.1	47.0	12.1
Very	6.1	54.4	19.4	High school	35.4	64.3	19.3
Importance of protection from STDs in contraceptive choice				>high school	57.4	67.8	24.6
Not at all	10.7	69.3	12.4	Religion			
Slightly	4.4	84.1	23.9	Protestant	49.8	65.5	21.0
Moderately	6.4	79.5	19.4	Catholic	32.3	61.3	23.4
Quite	7.9	72.9	15.7	Other	5.8	66.7	20.7
Very	70.6	61.8	24.3	None	12.1	72.3	21.8
Importance of concerns about partner in contraceptive choice				PARTNER'S CHARACTERISTICS			
Not at all	1.8	50.0	13.8	Age at 1993 survey			
Slightly	0.7	40.0	0.0	≤24	18.4	67.4	41.1
Moderately	8.6	53.3	14.1	25–29	22.0	72.0	25.0
Quite	44.1	66.4	19.8	30–34	25.9	65.3	13.2
Very	44.9	68.2	26.3	≥35	33.7	59.7	15.9
Wants more children				Education			
Strongly disagree	17.3	65.9	12.0	<high school	7.6	56.6	12.9
Moderately disagree	20.4	66.6	29.5	High school	38.4	58.1	20.4
Neutral	22.5	68.8	27.1	>high school	54.0	71.9	24.1
Moderately agree	19.6	63.2	27.1	Religion			
Strongly agree	20.2	59.6	12.3	Protestant	52.0	66.4	20.0
Men and women share equal responsibility for children				Catholic	35.8	60.9	23.0
Strongly disagree	1.0	41.7	11.8	Other	4.6	75.4	23.9
Moderately disagree	1.0	93.8	12.5	None	7.6	73.6	24.8
Neutral	1.7	84.0	3.6	COUPLE CHARACTERISTICS			
Moderately agree	8.4	67.5	22.1	Type of relationship			
Strongly agree	87.9	64.5	22.5	Marriage	69.6	65.0	14.6
Views on couple's responsibility for contraception				Cohabitation	10.3	66.2	22.5
Woman more responsible	6.2	64.8	11.0	Dating	20.1	64.7	46.5
Both responsible	78.1	65.4	22.2	Duration of relationship (in yrs.)			
Man more responsible	15.8	63.5	24.2	≤1	23.7	64.8	31.6
No. of risky behaviors				2–5	31.3	66.5	23.5
0–1	19.2	69.4	28.9	6–9	16.0	70.2	19.5
2–3	47.1	64.5	23.7	≥10	29.0	63.0	13.8
4–6	33.7	63.4	15.2	Currently trying to conceive			
No. of sex partners since 1991 interview				Yes	9.5	na	5.3
1	84.3	66.0	17.8	No	90.5	na	23.6
2	6.5	62.6	36.9	At risk of pregnancy			
≥3	9.2	58.7	40.7	Yes	96.7	na	na
Age at first intercourse				No	3.3	na	na
≤14	19.8	55.4	18.1	Currently using contraceptive to prevent pregnancy			
15–16	27.6	63.2	23.6	Yes	58.2	na	na
17–18	29.8	70.4	21.8	No	41.8	na	na
≥19	22.8	68.9	23.4	Did something in past 4 weeks to prevent STDs			
Used contraceptive at first intercourse				Yes	21.9	na	na
Yes	40.6	69.7	29.2	No	78.1	na	na
No	59.4	62.1	16.5				

Notes: For characteristics of male respondents, all data were collected in 1991 except number of partners since 1991 and age. For characteristics of female partners, data on education and religion were collected in 1991 if respondent had not changed partners and in 1993 if he had. For couple characteristics, all data were collected in 1993. For the percentage distribution column, data were missing on some variables. na=not applicable.