

Table 1. Percentage of U.S. women experiencing contraceptive failure, by duration of use and method, according to correction for abortion underreporting, 1995 National Survey of Family Growth

Duration and method	Uncorrected	Corrected	
		Unstandardized	Standardized
FIRST SIX MONTHS OF USE			
Total	5.5	7.9	7.7
Implant	0.0	0.1	0.1
Injectable	1.3	1.2	1.0
Pill	3.0	4.4	4.3
Diaphragm/cervical cap	5.5	7.2	8.6
Male condom	5.6	8.9	8.8
Spermicides	7.8	16.2	17.1
Withdrawal	12.4	15.6	16.3
Periodic abstinence	13.2	14.9	17.5
FIRST 12 MONTHS OF USE			
Total	9.9	13.1	12.9
Implant	1.8	2.0	1.4
Injectable	2.8	3.5	2.6
Pill	7.3	8.5	8.1
Diaphragm/cervical cap	9.2	13.2	15.9
Male condom	9.7	14.9	14.7
Spermicides	16.6	28.2	29.0
Withdrawal	20.1	26.0	27.1
Periodic abstinence	20.2	21.8	25.3

Notes: Total contraceptive failure rates, uncorrected and corrected but unstandardized, are from a model including no covariate other than duration of use. Uncorrected and corrected but unstandardized method-specific failure rates are calculated from a model including duration of use, method and the interaction between duration of use and method. Corrected and standardized rates are based on a model including duration of use, method, age, union status, poverty status, the interaction between duration of use and method, and the interaction between age and union status. In the latter model, abortion data in 19 (5%) of 391 cells were transferred to adjoining cells because of lack of exposure. "Other" reversible methods were included in all models, but separate estimates for these methods are not shown, as they do not reflect experience with any specific method.