

**Table 2. Ordered-logit coefficients showing overall effects among men and women aged 20–27 of gender, effects of gender within marital-status groups and effects of marital status within gender groups on the importance of contraceptive characteristics when choosing a method**

Characteristic	Male vs. female	Male vs. female		Married vs. single	
		Single	Married	Male	Female
Effective in preventing pregnancy	-0.36*	-0.06	-1.08*,†	-0.18	0.84*,‡
Effective in protecting partner from STDs	0.47*	0.44*	0.51*	-0.65*	-0.72*
Effective in protecting you from STDs	0.31*	0.25	0.41*	-0.62*	-0.78*
No health risks	-0.26*	-0.22	-0.36*	-0.07	0.07
Easy to use	-0.59*	-0.53*	-0.70*	-0.00	0.16
Does not interfere with sexual pleasure	0.05	0.14	-0.12	0.16	0.43*
No need to plan ahead	-0.71*	-0.51*	-1.09*,†	-0.21	0.37*,‡

\* $p \leq .05$  †The effect of gender differs significantly by marital status at  $p \leq .05$ . ‡ The effect of marital status differs significantly by gender at  $p \leq .05$ . *Note:* All models also control for age at interview, race, Hispanic origin, religion, education and childhood living arrangements.