

**Table 5. Percentage distribution of ever sexually active women, by method used at first intercourse; and percentage distribution of currently sexually active women, by method used at last intercourse—all according to country**

Measure and country	Age-group	Injectable/ implant/IUD	Pill	Condom	Other methods*	No method	Total
<b>Method used at first intercourse†</b>							
Sweden (1991)	16–18	0.0	13.0	41.0	24.0	22.0	100.0
France (1994)	15–17	0.0	15.1	66.5	7.1	11.3	100.0
Great Britain (1990–1991)	16–19	0.0	12.5	61.4	5.1	21.0	100.0
United States (1995)	15–19	0.5	8.0	62.8	4.0	24.7	100.0
<b>Method used at last intercourse</b>							
Sweden (1996‡)	18–19	2.1	49.9	24.1	17.3	6.5	100.0
France (1992, 1994§)	15–19	0.0	59.2	28.4	0.6	11.9	100.0
Canada (1995**)	15–19	††	63.7	††	23.1‡‡	††	100.0
Great Britain (1990–1991§§)	16–19	1.3	67.5	23.3	3.8	4.1	100.0
United States (1995*†)	15–19	9.3	32.5	33.0	5.2	20.0	100.0

\*Includes withdrawal, rhythm, diaphragm, cap, female condom and spermicides. †Among women who have ever had intercourse. ‡Excludes those who never had sex, those who did not have intercourse in the past three months and those not at risk for unintended pregnancy (pregnant, postpartum, seeking pregnancy, and infecund or sterile). §Estimated by applying distributions for 15–17-year-olds (1994) and 18–19-year-olds (1992) to estimated number sexually active in each age-group in 1995. Women who never had intercourse and those classified as “method not reported” or “no intercourse” were excluded from the base population. Women in other categories usually considered to be “not at risk of unintended pregnancy,” such as those who were pregnant, trying to become pregnant and postpartum, were not identified and therefore could not be excluded. \*\*Based on current contraceptive use data from the 1995 General Social Survey. Women who were not sexually active and those who were infecund or pregnant were excluded. ††Estimate does not meet Statistics Canada standards for size of denominator or numerator. ‡‡This category is “any method other than the pill,” and consists primarily of condom users. The proportions using methods other than the pill are based on too few cases to be shown separately. §§Based on women who were sexually active in the three months before interview. Women who were not at risk of being pregnant, being postpartum or trying to become pregnant were not identified and therefore could not be excluded. \*†Method used at last intercourse during the three months before interview. Those who have never had sex, who did not have intercourse in the past three months and who were not at risk of unintended pregnancy (pregnant; two months or less postpartum; seeking pregnancy; and infecund or sterile) were excluded. *Note:* Women who reported more than one method were classified according to the most effective method they reported using.