

TABLE 4. Contraceptive prevalence rates (and 95% confidence intervals) by regional and educational subgroup, according to survey year

Subgroup	1994	1999	2004
All	56.8 (54.9–58.7)	65.8 (64.3–67.2)	72.7 (71.3–74.1)
Region			
Sierra	55.2 (52.5–57.8)	64.1 (61.7–66.4)	70.5 (68.3–72.6)
Quito	70.1 (65.6–74.4)	74.4 (70.5–77.9)	78.1 (74.0–81.7)
Other urban areas	68.0 (64.7–71.0)	71.3 (67.7–74.6)	76.5 (73.4–79.4)
Rural areas	42.1 (38.3–46.0)	55.2 (51.4–59.0)	63.7 (60.3–67.1)
Costa	58.2 (55.6–60.8)	68.4 (66.5–70.3)	75.6 (73.5–77.5)
Guayaquil	65.6 (61.1–70.0)	70.3 (67.1–73.3)	77.1 (72.9–80.8)
Other urban areas	62.5 (59.3–65.7)	70.3 (67.7–72.7)	75.4 (72.3–78.3)
Rural areas	47.3 (42.7–52.0)	63.7 (59.4–67.8)	74.1 (70.7–77.2)
Amazonia	u	53.9 (45.8–61.7)	65.3 (57.8–72.2)
Insular	u	76.2 (69.2–81.9)	76.5 (67.7–83.5)
Yrs. of education			
0–5	37.5 (34.2–41.0)	52.1 (48.7–55.5)	61.8 (58.4–65.0)
6	54.9 (52.4–57.4)	62.8 (60.5–65.1)	69.9 (67.4–72.3)
7–11	63.6 (60.6–66.4)	67.4 (64.9–69.9)	76.9 (74.2–79.4)
≥12	71.7 (69.1–74.1)	76.5 (74.6–78.3)	79.1 (76.9–81.3)

Notes: All estimates are weighted. u=unavailable, because these regions were not sampled in the 1994 survey.