

TABLE 2. Percentage distribution of women aged 15–19, by selected demographic characteristics, according to country and survey year

Characteristic	El Salvador				Guatemala				Honduras				Nicaragua			
	1988	1993	1998	2002–2003	1987	1995	1998–1999	2002	1991–1992	1996	2001	2005–2006	1992–1993	1998	2001	2006–2007
Age																
15	20.3	20.4	18.7	18.1	19.7	20.3	21.4	24.8	21.6	22.4	20.0	22.3	17.7	20.4	19.8	21.7
16	18.8	19.4	21.7	22.3	22.8	21.4	21.7	19.6	20.3	23.2	20.2	20.8	20.8	22.0	20.6	21.6
17	21.9	19.5	19.2	21.3	23.4	22.4	19.4	19.4	20.1	19.1	20.8	20.4	21.7	21.3	20.4	19.7
18	18.9	20.8	21.5	21.5	19.2	19.1	19.8	18.1	19.1	17.5	22.1	19.5	22.1	19.9	20.3	19.2
19	20.1	20.0	19.0	16.8	14.9	16.8	17.6	18.1	19.0	17.8	16.9	17.0	17.7	16.4	18.9	17.8
Residence																
Urban	55.6	62.0	52.5	54.7	37.0	44.0	41.7	40.7	45.7	48.4	49.6	54.7	55.5	63.5	61.7	55.7
Rural	44.4	38.0	47.5	45.3	63.0	56.0	58.3	59.3	54.3	51.6	50.4	45.3	44.5	36.5	38.3	44.3
Education level																
None	11.6	6.4	5.8	3.7	25.6	17.4	15.2	12.6	6.2	5.4	4.2	3.8	10.5	7.8	6.3	4.8
Primary	41.4	40.0	37.8	29.3	53.3	50.1	49.1	50.4	66.4	65.5	60.3	47.4	46.5	41.4	40.1	37.0
≥secondary	47.1	53.8	56.5	67.0	21.2	32.5	35.8	37.0	27.5	29.1	35.5	48.9	43.1	50.8	53.7	58.2
Socioeconomic status†																
Low	43.1	47.1	44.7	33.0	37.4	31.6	33.3	31.7	49.1	42.2	33.9	32.1	48.1	38.2	38.5	37.2
Medium	34.2	39.4	33.0	37.4	35.2	42.8	41.4	47.6	27.1	36.9	39.1	45.2	34.8	44.9	44.5	39.7
High	22.7	13.5	22.3	29.6	27.4	25.6	25.2	20.8	23.7	21.0	26.9	22.8	17.1	16.8	17.0	23.1
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

†Socioeconomic status is based on a principal components analysis of household commodities; “low” represents the bottom two quintiles, “medium” the third and fourth quintiles, and “high” the top quintile. Note: Percentages may not total 100.0 because of rounding.