

**TABLE 1. Selected characteristics of first-time DMPA and pill users visiting family planning clinics in Texas, by method, 1999–2001**

Characteristic	All (N=426)	DMPA (N=309)	Pill (N=117)
<b>Means</b>			
Age	23.7	24.2	22.3***
Education (yrs.)	12.6	12.6	12.7
No. of pregnancies	1.5	1.8	0.8***
No. of births	1.0	1.2	0.5
<b>Percentages</b>			
Married	21	23	17
Non-Hispanic white	32	27	44***
Hispanic	34	36	30
Black	29	32	23
In a nonmonogamous relationship†	34	32	39
Has had an abortion	35	40	21***
Has had an STD	24	28	13***
Has used alcohol/drugs during sex	28	29	24
Has had a high-risk partner‡	22	20	27

\*\*\*p<.001. †Either the woman or her male partner was nonmonogamous in the past three months. ‡A main partner who in the past three months had injected drugs, had sex with others without using condoms or had an STD.