

**TABLE 2. Percentage of males aged 18–24, by selected characteristics, according to age at first sex and age of partner**

| Characteristic   | Sex before age 16     |                       | Sex at age 16–17 | No sex by age 18 |
|--|-----------------------|-----------------------|------------------|------------------|
|  | Partner ≥3 yrs. older | Partner <3 yrs. older |                  |                  |
| Unweighted N   | 89                    | 347                   | 433              | 557              |
| Weighted N (in 000s)                                     | 782                   | 3,126                 | 4,438            | 5,997            |
| <b>All</b>   | <b>5.5</b>            | <b>21.8</b>           | <b>30.9</b>      | <b>41.8</b>      |
| <b>FAMILY</b>  |                       |                       |                  |                  |
| <b>Maternal education* , ‡</b>                           |                       |                       |                  |                  |
| <high school   | 28.9                  | 16.9                  | 17.0             | 13.3             |
| High school  | 37.1                  | 37.6                  | 29.7             | 31.2             |
| ≥some college  | 33.9                  | 45.5                  | 53.3             | 55.5             |
| <b>Family structure at age 14** , §</b>                  |                       |                       |                  |                  |
| Two biological/adoptive parents                          | 54.3                  | 60.9                  | 72.7             | 80.7             |
| One biological parent and one adoptive parent/stepparent | 7.9                   | 12.0                  | 9.7              | 6.0              |
| Single biological parent                                 | 18.5                  | 17.3                  | 11.7             | 10.1             |
| Other  | 19.4                  | 9.8                   | 5.8              | 3.2              |
| <b>Mother had a teenage birth* , §</b>                   | 50.1                  | 34.9                  | 30.2             | 21.2             |
| <b>INDIVIDUAL</b>  |                       |                       |                  |                  |
| <b>Race/ethnicity*** , §</b>                             |                       |                       |                  |                  |
| Hispanic   | 40.4                  | 23.3                  | 20.8             | 12.4             |
| White  | 37.7                  | 48.5                  | 64.0             | 71.1             |
| Black  | 19.6                  | 21.6                  | 12.2             | 7.9              |
| Other  | 2.3                   | 6.7                   | 3.1              | 8.3              |
| <b>Foreign-born†</b>                                     | 24.4                  | 12.3                  | 14.9             | 13.7             |
| <b>Religious attendance at age 14</b>                    |                       |                       |                  |                  |
| Never  | 22.7                  | 24.0                  | 16.2             | 14.1             |
| Sometimes  | 21.6                  | 32.2                  | 33.3             | 30.7             |
| Once a week  | 40.2                  | 29.2                  | 35.4             | 37.6             |
| >once a week   | 15.6                  | 14.7                  | 15.1             | 17.7             |
| <b>FIRST SEXUAL RELATIONSHIP</b>                         |                       |                       |                  |                  |
| <b>Wantedness</b>  |                       |                       |                  |                  |
| Not wanted   | 3.7                   | 7.2                   | 5.7              | na               |
| Mixed feelings   | 31.0                  | 25.8                  | 33.6             | na               |
| Wanted   | 65.3                  | 67.0                  | 60.8             | na               |
| <b>Relationship type***</b>                              |                       |                       |                  |                  |
| Cohabiting/engaged/going steady                          | 14.5                  | 52.6                  | 59.1             | na               |
| Other  | 85.5                  | 47.4                  | 40.9             | na               |
| <b>OUTCOMES</b>  |                       |                       |                  |                  |
| <b>Contraceptive use at first sex*</b>                   |                       |                       |                  |                  |
|  | 61.2                  | 67.3                  | 76.5             | na               |
| <b>Teenage birth** , ††</b>                              | 18.5                  | 15.8                  | 6.0              | na               |

\*Difference is significant among respondents who had had sex before age 18 at p<.05. \*\*Difference is significant among respondents who had had sex before age 18 at p<.01. \*\*\*Difference is significant among respondents who had had sex before age 18 at p<.001. †Difference is significant among respondents who had had sex before age 18 at p<.10. ‡Difference is significant among all respondents at p<.05. §Difference is significant among all respondents at p<.001. ††Among respondents aged 20–24. Note: na=not applicable.