

TABLE 2. Percentage of women and men who agree with selected family planning myths, by country

Myth	Kenya		Nigeria		Senegal	
	Women (N=5,684)	Men (N=2,477)	Women (N=9,130)	Men (N=5,041)	Women (N=5,109)	Men (N=2,244)
Use of a contraceptive injection can make a woman permanently infertile	51.7	52.1	41.0	31.2	34.0	31.6
People who use contraceptives end up with health problems	74.1	71.8	47.6	37.7	58.9	50.0
Contraceptives can harm your womb	62.1	na	42.4	na	36.9	44.1
Contraceptives reduce women's sexual urge	59.1	61.2	22.7	25.9	24.7	39.6
Contraceptives can cause cancer	55.5	51.7	25.2	30.1	24.0	26.0
Contraceptives can give you deformed babies	62.0	59.6	26.0	33.7	23.2	24.5
Contraceptives are dangerous to women's health	71.5	68.0	46.6	43.2	50.2	43.8
Women who use family planning/birthspacing may become promiscuous	35.0	40.2	23.0	25.7	na	na
Family planning/birthspacing is women's business and a man should not have to worry about it	na	15.6	na	13.9	na	na
Mean (range)†	4.6 (0–8)	4.3 (0–8)	2.7 (0–8)	2.5 (0–8)	2.6 (0–7)	2.8 (0–7)

†The average number of positive responses among eight (seven in Senegal) family planning myths. *Notes:* na=not applicable. All percentages are weighted and based on women and men who know at least one modern contraceptive method.