

Table 2. Percentage of women aged 15–49 currently using contraceptives, by marital status and type of method, according to survey

Marital status and method	1981–1982 NFS	1990 NDHS	Modules	
			1992	1993
All women	*	(N=8,393)	(N=6,468)	(N=8,289)
Any method	*	7.5	15.9	21.3
Modern method	*	3.8	8.7	10.7
In union	(N=5,908)	(N=6,880)	(N=4,988)	(N=5,916)
Any method	6.8	6.0	13.6	19.8
Modern method	0.9	3.5	6.5	8.5
Pill	0.5	1.2	3.2	3.9
Condom	0.0	0.4	0.6	0.9
IUD	0.1	0.8	0.8	1.8
Injectable	0.2	0.7	1.5	1.5
Sterilization	0.1	0.3	0.2	0.1
Other	0.0	0.1	0.3	0.3
Traditional method	5.9	2.5	7.1	11.2
Periodic abstinence	5.1	1.4	5.5	8.1
Other	0.8	1.1	1.6	3.1
Not in union		(N=1,513)	(N=1,480)	(N=2,373)
Any method	*	15.1	20.4	25.2
Modern method	*	4.9	14.4	15.8
Pill	*	2.3	9.7	9.1
Condom	*	1.4	2.9	4.0
IUD	*	0.4	0.1	1.0
Injectable	*	0.4	1.1	1.0
Sterilization	*	0.0	0.0	0.0
Other	*	0.4	0.4	0.7
Traditional method	*	10.2	6.0	9.4
Periodic abstinence	*	7.5	4.6	7.0
Other	*	2.7	1.4	2.4

*In the 1981–1982 Nigeria Fertility Survey, only currently married women were asked questions about contraception. Thus, no data are available for women not in union.