

TABLE 3. Selected characteristics of women's pill experiences, by reason for previous discontinuation

Characteristic	Side effects (N=115)	Logistics (N=365)	Fertility- related (N=148)
Prior pill experiences			
Mean satisfaction (range, 1–4) ^{***}	2.37	3.77	3.73
% very/somewhat satisfied ^{***}	48.7	98.1	95.2
Commitment to restarting pill at baseline			
% considering the pill when they came to the clinic ^{***}	80.7	91.8	94.6
% very sure they wanted the pill when they came to the clinic ^{***}	72.8	93.7	87.9
% considering another method when they came to the clinic ^{**}	32.5	18.7	18.9
Pill experiences during study period			
Mean no. of side effects (range, 1–4) [†]	0.59	0.40	0.44
Mean satisfaction (range, 1–4) ^{***}	3.12	3.58	3.48
% very/somewhat satisfied ^{***}	76.1	92.7	88.7
Duration of use ^{**}			
Short-term	17.0	7.5	5.9
Intermediate-term	31.0	22.3	29.4
Continuous	52.0	70.2	64.7

^{**}p≤.01. ^{***}p≤.001. [†]p≤.10. Note: Short-term use is defined as completion of less than one pack of pills during the three-month period, intermediate as more than one but less than three, and continuous as ongoing use.