

**Data Brief 112: Use of Emergency Contraception Among Women Aged 15–44: United States, 2006–2010**

**Data table for Figures 1 and 2. Ever-use of emergency contraception among sexually experienced women aged 15–44: United States, 1995, 2002, and 2006–2010, and by selected characteristics, 2006–2010.**

Characteristic	Number in thousands	Percentage	(standard error)
Total, 1995	53,800	0.8	(0.1)
Total, 2002	54,190	4.2	(0.3)
Total, 2006–2010 <sup>1</sup>	53,475	10.8	(0.5)
<b>Age</b>			
15–19 years	4,532	13.7	(1.4)
20–24 years	8,930	23.2	(1.5)
25–29 years	10,088	15.5	(1.3)
30–44 years	29,925	5.0	(0.4)
<b>Marital or cohabiting status</b>			
Currently or formerly married	31,248	5.7	(0.4)
Currently cohabiting	6,893	14.3	(1.3)
Never married, not cohabiting	15,334	19.4	(1.1)
<b>Hispanic origin and race</b>			
Hispanic	9,119	11.4	(0.8)
Non-Hispanic white, single race	32,432	11.0	(0.7)
Non-Hispanic black, single race	7,383	7.9	(0.9)
<b>Education<sup>2</sup></b>			
No high school diploma or GED	6,796	5.5	(0.8)
High school diploma or GED	11,377	7.1	(0.8)
Some college, no bachelor's degree	13,144	11.0	(0.9)
Bachelor's degree or higher	14,235	11.9	(0.9)
<b>Region of residence</b>			
Northeast	8,132	11.9	(1.2)
Midwest	14,005	10.7	(0.9)
South	18,886	7.2	(0.7)
West	12,452	15.4	(1.5)
<b>Metropolitan residence</b>			
Metropolitan statistical area, central city	17,111	14.0	(0.9)
Metropolitan statistical area, not central city	25,387	10.3	(0.7)
Not metropolitan statistical area	10,977	6.7	(0.8)

<sup>1</sup>Includes women of other or multiple race and origin groups, not shown separately.

<sup>2</sup>Limited to women aged 22–44 at time of interview. GED is General Educational Development high school equivalency diploma.

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Data table for Figures 3 and 4. Reasons for use of emergency contraception among sexually experienced women aged 15–44 who have ever used emergency contraception: United States, 2006–2010

Characteristic	Number in thousands	Fear of method failure <sup>1</sup>		Had unprotected sex	
		Percentage	(standard error)	Percentage	(standard error)
Total <sup>2</sup>	5,746	45.0	(2.1)	48.8	(1.9)
<b>Age</b>					
15–19 years	620	33.5	(4.9)	47.0	(5.9)
20–24 years	2,068	46.4	(3.4)	51.0	(3.3)
25–29 years	1,558	41.0	(3.4)	50.1	(4.2)
30–44 years	1,500	52.1	(4.5)	45.3	(4.1)
<b>Marital or cohabiting status</b>					
Currently or formerly married	1,789	46.9	(4.2)	47.3	(4.0)
Currently cohabiting	989	49.7	(4.9)	44.6	(5.6)
Never married, not cohabiting	2,968	42.4	(2.7)	51.2	(2.6)
<b>Hispanic origin and race</b>					
Hispanic	1,039	33.0	(5.0)	59.0	(5.6)
Non-Hispanic white, single race	3,579	52.8	(2.6)	42.5	(2.4)
Non-Hispanic black, single race	582	26.9	(3.9)	59.5	(3.9)
<b>Education<sup>3</sup></b>					
No high school diploma or GED	372	26.4	(5.7)	62.0	(6.0)
High school diploma or GED	803	30.0	(5.0)	53.4	(5.6)
Some college, no bachelor's degree	1,442	51.3	(4.0)	47.9	(4.2)
Bachelor's degree or higher	1,686	57.6	(3.8)	42.5	(3.7)
<b>Region of residence</b>					
Northeast	966	44.5	(4.8)	44.4	(4.9)
Midwest	1,500	48.7	(4.2)	43.4	(3.5)
South	1,364	49.9	(5.3)	46.8	(3.8)
West	1,916	38.9	(3.4)	56.8	(3.5)
<b>Metropolitan residence</b>					
Metropolitan statistical area, central city	2,402	38.7	(3.1)	55.3	(3.6)
Metropolitan statistical area, not central city	2,607	49.1	(3.3)	45.7	(2.9)
Not metropolitan statistical area	736	51.3	(5.8)	38.7	(3.2)

<sup>1</sup>Categories are not mutually exclusive, and women could also report "other reason;" see "Data source and methods" section for question wording and response options.

<sup>2</sup>Includes women of other or multiple race and origin groups, not shown separately.

<sup>3</sup>Limited to women aged 22–44 at time of interview. GED is General Educational Development high school equivalency diploma.