

Data Brief 173. Current Contraceptive Status Among Women Aged 15–44: United States, 2011–2013

Data table for Figures 1, 3, 4, and 5. Current use of any method of contraception, female sterilization, the contraceptive pill, the male condom, and long-acting reversible contraceptives among all women aged 15–44: United States, 2011–2013

Characteristic	Number in thousands	Currently using any method		Female sterilization		Pill		Condom		Long-acting reversible contraceptives	
		Percent	Standard error	Percent	Standard error	Percent	Standard error	Percent	Standard error	Percent	Standard error
Total	60,887	61.7	1.10	15.5	1.01	16.0	0.89	9.4	0.57	7.2	0.53
Age in years											
15–24	19,885	47.4	1.91	0.7	0.19	22.4	1.55	10.1	1.05	5.0	0.58
25–34	20,790	67.4	1.57	14.6	1.69	16.9	1.09	11.5	1.13	11.1	1.11
35–44	20,212	70.0	1.61	31.0	1.86	8.7	1.36	6.6	0.90	5.3	0.92
Hispanic origin and race											
Hispanic	12,024	57.3	2.05	18.8	2.09	10.9	1.49	8.6	1.05	8.7	1.26
Non-Hispanic white	34,674	65.3	1.44	14.0	1.34	19.0	1.26	9.3	0.92	7.4	0.74
Non-Hispanic black	8,491	57.9	2.03	21.3	2.00	9.8	0.95	9.4	1.41	5.0	0.67
Other single and multiple race	5,698	54.8	4.42	9.1	2.27	17.5	3.42	12.1	1.57	5.8	1.23
Education¹											
No high school diploma or GED	4,904	67.2	3.22	33.1	2.85	3.6	0.74	10.1	2.05	7.9	2.14
High school diploma or GED	11,891	66.7	2.19	27.0	2.18	8.5	1.10	7.9	1.61	7.7	1.43
Some college, but no bachelor's degree	14,851	69.2	1.58	20.2	1.62	15.7	1.51	8.5	1.10	9.5	1.24
Bachelor's degree or higher	15,446	67.3	2.05	10.3	1.58	21.5	1.73	11.1	1.12	7.6	0.93

¹Limited to women aged 22–44 years at the time of interview.

NOTES: GED is General Equivalency Development high school equivalency diploma. Women currently using more than one method were classified according to the most effective method they were using.

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Data table for Figure 2. Current contraceptive status and method used among women aged 15–44: United States, 2011–2013

Characteristic	Percent	Standard error
All women (total) ¹	100.0	...
Using contraception	61.7	1.10
Female sterilization	15.5	1.01
Male sterilization	5.1	0.50
Pill	16.0	0.89
Long-acting reversible contraceptives	7.2	0.53
Intrauterine device (IUD)	6.4	0.48
Implant	0.8	0.16
3-month injectable (Depo-Provera™)	2.8	0.26
Contraceptive ring or patch	1.6	0.28
Diaphragm	*	*
Condom	9.4	0.57
Periodic abstinence—calendar rhythm	0.7	0.11
Periodic abstinence—natural family planning	0.1	0.06
Withdrawal	3.0	0.30
Other methods ²	0.3	0.11
Not using contraception ³	38.3	1.10
Surgically sterile—female (noncontraceptive)	0.7	0.15
Nonsurgically sterile—female or male	2.2	0.26
Pregnant or postpartum	5.0	0.45
Seeking pregnancy	4.5	0.37
Other nonuse:		
Never had intercourse	10.8	0.78
No intercourse in 3 months before interview	8.2	0.55
Had intercourse in 3 months before interview	6.9	0.35

... Category not applicable.

* Figure does not meet standards of reliability or precision.

¹Total equals 60.9 million women.

²Includes emergency contraception, female condom, foam, cervical cap, sponge, suppository, jelly, and other methods.

³Includes male sterilization for unknown reasons and male surgical sterilization for noncontraceptive reasons, not shown separately.

NOTES: Percentages may not add to 100 due to rounding. Women currently using more than one method were classified according to the most effective method they were using.