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## Preface

The 2008 Reproductive Health Survey is the eighth in a series of periodic enquiries conducted by the National Family Planning Board. The scope of the survey, as in earlier studies, is designed to update measures of fertility and contraceptive use and other reproductive health issues among women aged 15-49 years and men 15-24 years.

The findings will be beneficial as an evaluation and planning tool for the National Family Planning Programme. The field work for 2008 survey was completed in May 2009. The final report of the 2008 Reproductive Health Survey is presented in the three volumes:

1. Final Report
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## Executive Summary

Over the last two decades, there have been huge improvements in the area of reproductive health, adolescent health, and HIV prevention in Jamaica. Contraceptive prevalence has increased and the proportion of unplanned births has decreased. Adolescent fertility and risky sexual behaviors have declined. Maternal mortality and infant death have also declined, though they are still higher than in other places.

Since 1975, the United States Agency for International Development (USAID) has invested resources to improve access to family planning and other reproductive health services in Jamaica. Through funds provided by USAID, several nationwide Contraceptive Prevalence Surveys (CPSs) and later Reproductive Health Surveys (RHSs) were conducted periodically in Jamaica, the most recent of them in 2008, all intended to assess and respond to the reproductive health needs of the population. Throughout these surveys, the USAID goal was to provide reliable information as a catalyst for evidence-based decision making and political action.

The 2008 Jamaica RHS is a collection of important demographic and reproductive health indicators. These indicators are used to examine health trends and set targets for improvement, allocate resources, and monitor performance of reproductive health, HIV and adolescent programs. Several findings of the 2008 RHS are highlighted below:

## Introduction:

- As the Jamaican government sets forth to improve the national family planning program, address the reproductive health of young adults, and develop national strategies to reduce interpersonal violence, the timing of the 2008 RHS, has been ideal.
- Fieldwork for the Jamaica 2008-2009 RHS was completed in May 2009. The survey interviewed two independent nationwide samples of 8,259 women aged 15-49 and 2,775 men aged 15-24.


## Methodology:

- The survey documents a wide array of key reproductive health outcomes and their determinants for women or reproductive age and young adult men. The detailed health content in the RHS allows for multiple correlates between health outcomes and knowledge, attitudes, sexual behaviors and preventive practices.
- For the first time in Jamaica, the 2008 RHS collected key HIV/AIDS indicators and documented the level of domestic violence and gender norms among women and men.
- Designing the sample to produce estimates for 14 regions of the country enables key stakeholders to better assess reproductive health at the sub-national level. The documentation of the wealth status (quintile) of the households provides a better understanding of the health disparities by socioeconomic status than in previous surveys.
- This survey yielded a response rate of $97 \%$ for women and $94 \%$ for young men, one of the highest participation rates since the onset of these surveys.


## Marriage and Fertility:

- Sixty-nine percent of women in the sample were legally married, in consensual unions, or in visiting partnership relations ( $14.8 \%$ were legally married, $22.5 \%$, in common-law unions, and $31.2 \%$ in visiting partnerships). One in four (24.9\%) women of reproductive age did not have a regular partner at the time of the interview, $3.6 \%$ had a boyfriend that they had sexual relations with, and $3.1 \%$ had a boyfriend without sexual relations.
- The age at which women in Jamaica tend to start sexual activity has remained relatively steady since 1997. In 2008, the median age at first intercourse was 17.0 years old, compared to 17.0 in 2002 and 17.3 in 1997.
- Jamaica's fertility rates have been declining since the 1970s. The total fertility rate of 2.4 children per woman in Jamaica for 2006-2008 is the lowest ever documented in the country. Median age at first birth was 21.2 years, slightly older than 20.7 years documented in 2002.
- Jamaican women initiate and complete childbearing at early ages, with the highest fertility levels reported among 20- to 24-year-old women, practically unchanged since 2002. Women with low education attainment and those with the lowest socioeconomic status have one child more than the country average ( 3.4 and 3.5 children per woman, respectively).
- Generally, peak fertility occurred at ages 30-34 among women with the highest educational attainment, whereas peak fertility among women with lower educational levels occurred at ages 20-24. Similarly, women with the highest socioeconomic status postpone their fertility until after the age of 30, compared to peak fertility at age 20-24 among those with lower socioeconomic status.
- Due to the impressive changes in the contraceptive uptake, the percentage of births that were unintended was the lowest ever documented: less than one half (47\%) of births in the last 5 years were unintended, compared to 58\% in 2008.


## Maternal and Infant Health:

- Coverage of prenatal care among all pregnancies carried to term since January 2003 was very high with only $1 \%$ of pregnant women indicating that they received no prenatal care. The majority of births (60\%) received prenatal care during the first trimester, as recommended by the World Health Organization (WHO). In the Kingston metropolitan area, first trimester visits were even more common (74\%).
- WHO guidelines call for a minimum of four prenatal visits over the course of a woman's pregnancy. In Jamaica, this was achieved in $87 \%$ of births, including $50 \%$ which were preceded by 10 or more visits.
- Women with high-risk pregnancies, as defined by specific age and parity criteria established by the Ministry of Health, had mostly received inadequate (41\%) or only partially adequate (18\%) prenatal care. Increased educational attainment and socioeconomic status of the mother were positively correlated with receipt of adequate care. Most importantly, women with 5 or more births, who by definition are classified as having high pregnancy-related health risk, were less likely to have had adequate prenatal care than women with lower number of births.
- The majority of women received most of their prenatal care from either governmental health clinics (72\%) or maternity hospitals (4\%). Almost one in five women (20\%) mentioned they mostly received prenatal care in private clinics, and $3 \%$ received care in private hospitals.
- Most births that have occurred since January 2003 were delivered in health care facilities with $93 \%$ taking place in a governmental hospital and less than five percent in other medical facilities. Almost all women reported that the person who attended their last delivery was either a midwife or nurse-midwife (65\%) or a physician (33\%), which is an indicator of progress towards Millennium Development Goal (MDG) 5, which aims to improve maternal health.
- Child survival in Jamaica has improved substantially over the past 10 years. A comparison of the two most recent 5 -year periods shows that there has been a dramatic decline in the neonatal mortality rate (from 20.0 to 13.0 per 1,000), which in turn has significantly lowered the infant and child under-5 mortality. The highest infant and under-5 mortality rates were found among children living in rural areas, those born to mothers who have low educational attainment, and those born less than 24 months apart.


## Contraceptive Knowledge:

- Women of reproductive age in Jamaica are well aware of contraceptive methods with virtually all respondents having heard of at least one modern method. Since 1989, the three most well-known methods have been the male condom, oral contraceptive pills, and injectables.
- The most notable change in knowledge was found for emergency hormonal contraception (morning after pill) with knowledge of emergency contraception increasing by 82\% (from 49\% to 89\%) between 2002 and 2008.
- Young men's knowledge of the most commonly known methods of contraception has improved slightly since 1993. Similar to women, the most notable change in men's knowledge was the increase in awareness of emergency hormonal contraception by $65 \%$ (from 39\% in 2002 to 64\% in 2008).
- Attitudes about family formation and timing of births are closely related to knowledge and use of family planning methods. In the 2008 RHS, more than half (54\%) of women preferred an interval of more than 4 years, followed by 2 to 4 years (37\%).


## Contraceptive Use:

- Ever use of contraceptive methods remains high with $85 \%$ of women having experience using a contraceptive method.
- Experience of ever using contraceptives is high regardless of education level, ranging from $82 \%$ of women with 9 or fewer levels of education achieved up to $88 \%$ for women at level 13 or higher.
- Seventy-three percent of women currently in union reported current use of contraceptives and almost a quarter ( $22 \%$ ) of them were using a secondary contraceptive method.
- More reliable, modern methods are the most commonly used with $84 \%$ of women having ever used a modern method. Among current contraceptive users, the most popular methods were condom, the pill and injectables. Almost one half of users (47\%) rely on condoms, which provides dual protection against unintended pregnancy and sexually transmitted diseases. In comparison to previous years, more women are beginning contraceptive use prior to their first birth. Sixty-five percent of women had no children when they first used a contraceptive method, compared to only $54 \%$ in the 2002 and 1997 surveys.
- There has been a significant improvement in the availability of family planning services at government facilities since the 2002 survey. Over half of women (51\%) said these services were available at any time, up from 31\%.
- Among sexually experienced women who were not using contraception, $57 \%$ reported that they intend to use a method in the future.


## Condom Use:

- Virtually all (100\%) women aged 15-49 years had heard of condoms, $77 \%$ had ever used a condom, and $20 \%$ reported currently using condoms. Of women who had sexual intercourse in the last 12 months, $42 \%$ reported using a condom the last time.
- Knowledge of condoms among young men aged 15-24 was also extremely high with $100 \%$ having ever heard of condoms, $73 \%$ reporting ever having used condoms, and $43 \%$ reporting current condom use. Among men who had sexual intercourse in the 12 months prior to the survey, $80 \%$ reported having used a condom the last time. Compared to young women in the same age group, young men had higher use prevalence of ever use, current use, and use at last intercourse.
- Among respondents who had sex with a non-steady partner, $64 \%$ of women and $91 \%$ of young men reported that they use condoms every time or almost every time. One-fifth (21\%) of women with a non-steady partner said that they never use a condom and almost no men stated that they never used a condom (1\%).
- Most sexually active women (72\%) report having ever asked a partner to use a condom. Of those who had, some negative reactions incurred were refusal to use a condom (20.6\%), forced sex without condom (8\%), partners refusal to have sex (7\%) a threat to end the relationship (3\%) and a threat of physical harm (1\%). A woman's increased level of education is related to an increased likelihood in her suggesting condom use and a decreased likelihood of negative reactions from her partner.
- Approximately a tenth (9\%) of women said they used condoms to prevent pregnancy, $19 \%$ to prevent STIs, including HIV, and $72 \%$ said it was to prevent both. A higher proportion of young men than young women in their same age group reported that the objective of their condom use was dual protection


## Health-Related Behaviors:

- Only $43 \%$ of reproductive aged women (15-49 years) reported ever having a routine gynecological exam and $62 \%$ had received a pap smear test to screen for cervical cancer. There has been very little improvement in the prevalence of preventive reproductive health practices since 2002.
- Nearly two-thirds (62\%) of women reported having ever had a clinical screening for breast cancer, and $64.6 \%$ reported having ever performed a breast self-exam (BSE) at some point in their life. Both clinical and self exams were associated with age older than 19 years, higher educational attainment and socio-economic index, having a steady partner (excluding a boyfriend), and being sexually experienced.
- The most common health conditions reported by women of reproductive age were high blood pressure (20\%), urinary tract infection (12.6\%), asthma (8.8\%), anemia (8.6\%), and diabetes (4.4\%). For these conditions, women with a higher education level are more likely to report health problems, possibly due to better access to health care providers.
- Similar to the findings from 2002, in the current survey $6 \%$ of women aged 15-49 years reported having ever smoked and $3.5 \%$ were current smokers. When compared to men aged 15-24 years, women of the same age group were less likely to have ever smoked and to smoke currently, and young women started smoking one year later than young men (17 vs. 16 years old).
- Recreational drug use in the last 12 months was much more frequent among young men when compared to young women of the same age: $14.1 \%$ and $31.1 \%$ of men aged 15-19 and $20-24$, respectively, vs. $3.3 \%$ and $7.2 \%$ of their female counterparts.


## Young Adults:

- The proportion of young adults who are sexually experienced has decreased, with $66 \%$ of young women and $75 \%$ of young men having ever had sex, compared to $69 \%$ of young women and $82 \%$ of young men in 2002. This reflects a trend of decreased sexual experience since the 1993 survey.
- Young adults are also waiting longer to initiate sex. The mean age at first intercourse was 16.1 for young women and 14.5 for young men, compared to 15.8 and 13.5, respectively, in 2002. This is the largest change in this indicator since the 1993 survey. However, $12 \%$ of young women and three times as many young men (35\%) reported starting sexual activity before age 15.
- The use of contraception at first sexual intercourse among sexually experienced young women has continuously increased to $79 \%$, compared to $67 \%$ in 2002, $56 \%$ in 1997, and 43\% in 1993. That improvement has been similar in young men increasing from $22 \%$ in 1993 to $56 \%$ in 2008.
- Contraceptive use at most recent sexual intercourse among sexually experienced young adults was $82 \%$ among women and $84 \%$ among men. That use is overwhelmingly modern methods use, with condoms being most commonly used among young adults ( $43 \%$ of young women and $74 \%$ of young men).
- The percent of young adults who received school-based or other formal family life education has increased since the previous surveys. Ninety percent of young women and $84 \%$ of young men received family life education in school or in another formal setting.


## Sexually transmitted infections, including HIV/AIDS:

- Awareness of STIs was generally high with $100 \%$ of women reporting awareness of HIV/AIDS, $100 \%$ of Gonorrhea, and $98 \%$ of syphilis; however, only $29 \%$ knew of chancroid and $45 \%$ knew of chlamydia. Young women were more likely to report awareness of most STIs than were young men. Young men were also less likely to know symptoms of STIs.
- The most important sources of information about STIs for women were health professionals (23\%), television (22\%), teachers (14\%), and printed media (11\%). This differed among young people, men and women, who placed higher importance on teachers and family members and lower importance on health professionals.
- Having multiple sexual partners, whether in the last 3 months or the last year, was uncommon among women ( $4 \%$ and $7 \%$ respectively). Young men were much more likely to report having multiple partners in the last 3 or 12 months than young women.
- Among young adult women and men with multiple partners in the last 12 months, a substantial proportion ( $46 \%$ and $22 \%$, respectively) did not use condoms at the last sexual encounter. In these same groups, use of alcohol and/or drugs at the time of the last sexual encounter was reported by $26.5 \%$ of young women and $18.0 \%$ of young men.
- When women were asked about maternal to child transmission (MTCT) of HIV, knowledge of the facts varied with $85 \%$ aware that it can be transmitted during pregnancy, $74 \%$ aware that it can be transmitted during delivery, and $82 \%$ aware that it can be transmitted through breastfeeding. Over two-thirds of women ( $69 \%$ ) knew that drugs were available to reduce MTCT.
- The percentages of respondents who were able to correctly identify all three methods of HIV prevention were $85 \%$ of women and $78 \%$ of men. When restricted to young adults, young women were more likely than young men to correctly provide answers to all three items ( $87 \%$ of girls 15-19 years old and $84 \%$ of young women 20-24 years old versus $79 \%$ of boys $15-19$ years old and $75 \%$ of young men 20-24 years old).
- Practically all women (95\%) knew where HIV testing is provided, a little less than twothirds ( $60 \%$ ) reported ever having been tested and receiving their results, and a quarter (26\%) reported that their last HIV-test took place within 12 months of the interview.
- HIV testing has been successfully integrated with prenatal care. Nine out of ten women (91\%) who had been pregnant since January 2006 or were at least six months pregnant at the time of the survey, and had prenatal care, reported that they had been tested for HIV.
- Respondents were asked about different hypothetical situations involving interactions with HIV-infected individuals. Ninety percent of women and $88 \%$ of young men indicated that they would be willing to work with a co-worker who was infected with the AIDS virus. Less tolerant attitudes were found among $29 \%$ of women and $25 \%$ of young men who stated they would want it kept a secret if a relative became infected with the AIDS virus.


## Gender Attitudes and Violence against Women:

- Jamaican men aged 15-24 years had a tendency toward more traditional attitudes about gender norms when compared to young women in the same age group. Sizeable opinion gaps were also seen between young men and young women when it came to the importance of a man showing his wife/partner who is the boss, the acceptability of a wife's refusal to have sex with her husband if he sees other women, the notion that a good wife should obey her husband even if she disagrees with him, and on the question of whether family problems should be discussed only with family members.
- Overall, $18 \%$ of women reported that they witnessed violence between their parents, and $61.2 \%$ reported that they had been slapped, kicked, shoved, or hit by a parent or step-parent before age 15. Fourteen percent of Jamaican men aged 15-24 years
witnessed violence between their parents and $58 \%$ reported having experienced physical abuse from a parent or stepparent.
- Almost half ( $48 \%$ ) of women reported that a current or former spouse subjected them to at least one controlling behavior. Experience of multiple controlling behaviors was strongly associated with all types of intimate partner violence, including physical violence.
- During the past year, $14.7 \%$ of women ever in union reported verbal abuse, $6.5 \%$ reported physical abuse, and $2.8 \%$ reported sexual abuse.
- Overall, $12 \%$ of Jamaican women reported having been physically forced to have sexual intercourse at some time in their life. The majority of perpetrators were known to the woman, including current or previous partners (36\%), acquaintances (20\%), boyfriends or ex-boyfriends (18\%), and relatives (10\%). Only one in eight (12\%) women who has ever been raped reported having been raped by a stranger.


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## Chapter 1

## Background

Jamaica has a well-established family planning program, which has been offering contraceptive services through a national program since the late 1960s. There is strong government support for family planning, which increased after the worldwide adoption of the Programme of Action of the 1994 International Conference on Population and Development (ICPD). Contraceptive policy-making is mainly the responsibility of the National Family Planning Board (NFPB) and the Ministry of Health. NFPB is a statutory board established in 1970 as the principal governmental agency responsible for preparing, carrying out, and promoting family planning and population programs in Jamaica.

Since the mid 1970s, the United States Agency for International Development (USAID) has worked with the NFPB to increase access to family planning services, primarily through: promotion of quality client-centered family planning and reproductive health policies and programs; improvements in contraceptive logistic management, forecasting and procurement procedures; training; organization of mass media and public information campaigns; and monitoring and evaluating program effectiveness and sustainability. Understanding trends in contraceptive prevalence overall and in the use of specific contraceptive methods is equally important for health planners and family planning program managers as it is for donors involved in providing contraceptive commodities and assistance in all the aspects needed to support these programs.

### 1.1 Historical, Geographical, and Demographic Background

Jamaica is one of the islands in the Caribbean archipelago. It is located in the northwestern section and is one of the four islands that comprise the Greater Antilles. It is situated at latitude $18^{\circ}$ north and longitude $77^{\circ}$ west and is approximately 145 kilometres south of Cuba and 161 kilometres west of Haiti. It is English-speaking and shares cultural links with the other Englishspeaking territories of the region. At the regional level, it is a member of CARICOM, the Caribbean Community; at the international level, it is one of the countries included in the Latin American and Caribbean Region; and at the wider level, is a member of the United Nations and its affiliate organizations.

Jamaica itself has a maximum length of 235 kilometres and widths varying from 35 to 82 kilometres, with a total area of 4,244 square miles or 10,991 square kilometres. It is divided into three counties - Cornwall in the west, Middlesex in the center and Surrey in the east. There are
fourteen parishes: Trelawny, St. James, Hanover, Westmoreland and St. Elizabeth in the county of Cornwall; St. Mary, St. Ann, Manchester, Clarendon and St. Catherine in the county of Middlesex; and Kingston, St. Andrew, St. Thomas and Portland in the county of Surrey.

Other administrative divisions have been defined and used for many purposes, the most important being the breakdown into constituencies, defined by law, which form the political divisions of the country. However, the most significant administrative division for this study is the breakdown into health regions. The composition of the health regions have varied from time to time. The current divisions comprise the following grouping of parishes and these are used in this study:

- Health Region 1 Kingston, St. Andrew, St. Thomas and St. Catherine
- Health Region 2 Portland, St. Mary and St. Ann
- Health Region 3 Trelawny, St. James, Hanover and Westmoreland
- Health Region 4 St. Elizabeth, Manchester and Clarendon

The population of Jamaica at the end of 2008 was $2,692,358$ and the annual growth rate was 0.8 percent. The crude birth rate (per 1000 mean population) was 20 , with a crude death rate of 6 ; the rate of natural increase was accordingly 14.38 per 1000 mean population. The natural rate of growth of the population has been falling over recent years. Both the birth and death rates have been declining but at different rates. In 1861, the birth rate was 39.6 per 1000 mean population with a death rate of 32.2 . By 1970, the birth rate was still in the high 30 s (39.1) but it fell more rapidly in the 1970s and 1980s. In 1982 it was at 30.9 and by 1991 it had fallen to 25.1. The movement in the death rate was more dramatic. By 1970, it had fallen to 8.2. Since then, the decline in birth rates has been more significant than in death rates.

The distribution of the population over the period covered by the four earlier contraceptive prevalence and reproductive health surveys (1992, 1996, 2001, and 2008), although not equal in proportion, has remained fairly consistent as may be seen in Table 1.1.1 below:

| Table 1.1.1 <br> Distribution of the Population by Health Region <br> In 1992, 1996, 2001 and 2008 <br> (Percent Distribution) |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Health Region | 1992 | 1996 | 2001 | 2008 |
| 1 | 46.6 | 46.8 | 46.5 | 46.8 |
| 2 | 14.0 | 13.9 | 14.1 | 13.7 |
| 3 | 17.6 | 17.5 | 17.6 | 17.6 |
| 4 | 21.8 | 21.8 | 21.8 | 21.9 |
| Total |  |  | 100.0 | 100.0 |

Source: Demographic Statistics 2009, Statistical Institute of Jamaica.

Age distribution is important to any study of fertility, contraceptive behavior and reproductive health. Of particular significance is the proportion of women of childbearing age. Also of importance is the proportion of young adults, both male and female, in the population. In general, the population under 15 years of age has been identified as the infant and child population, the population between 15 and 24 as the young adult population and the female population between the ages of 15 and 49 as those in the childbearing years. Thus, demographic inquiries and, in particular, contraceptive prevalence and reproductive health surveys have focused on breakdowns of the population into these broad age groupings. Table 1.1.2 below presents breakdowns of the male and female population at the end of the years preceding the last 4 surveys.

| Table 1.1.2 <br> Age Distribution of the Total Population End of the Year 1992, 1996, 2001, and 2008 (Percent Distribution) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Age Group | Males |  |  |  | Females |  |  |  |
|  | 1992 | 1996 | 2001 | 2008 | 1992 | 1996 | 2001 | 2008 |
| 0-4 | 11.7 | 11.3 | 10.8 | 10.8 | 11.0 | 10.6 | 10.8 | 10.1 |
| 5-14 | 23.7 | 23.1 | 22.5 | 22.5 | 22.5 | 21.9 | 22.5 | 21.3 |
| 15-24 | 20.2 | 19.1 | 18.0 | 18.0 | 20.0 | 19.0 | 18.1 | 17.9 |
| 25-34 | 15.2 | 15.1 | 15.0 | 15.1 | 16.1 | 16.0 | 15.0 | 16.0 |
| 35-49 | 13.9 | 15.5 | 17.2 | 17.1 | 13.9 | 15.7 | 17.1 | 17.7 |
| 50 or more | 15.3 | 15.8 | 16.5 | 16.4 | 16.5 | 16.8 | 16.5 | 17.1 |
| Total | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |

Source: Demographic Statistics 2009, Statistical Institute of Jamaica.

| Table 1.1.3 <br> Percentage of the Population in Urban Areas* <br> End of the Year 1970, 1982, 1991, 2001, and 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Type of Urban Area | Percentage of the Population and Census Year |  |  |  |  |
|  | 1970 | 1982 | 1991 | 2001 | $2008{ }^{\text {f }}$ |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 29.6 | 26.8 | 26.3 | 25.0 | 24.7 |
| Other urban areas | 14.4 | 22.6 | 25.1 | 29.7 | 30.1 |
| Percentage of the population in urban areas | 44.0 | 49.4 | 51.4 | 54.7 | 54.8 |

* Urban areas as defined for purpose of each census.
$\dagger 2001$ census projections.
Source: Reports of the 1970, 1982, 1991, 2001 Population Censuses, and 2008 Census projections, the Statistical Institute of Jamaica.

Another important factor is the distinction between urban and rural areas. As a reflection of socioeconomic development, the population of Jamaica has gradually shifted from being more rural in 1970 to being more urban in the early 1990s (Table 1.1.3). It is generally recognized that residential location can have an impact on quality of life and access to services, and accordingly can exert a strong influence on attitudes and behaviors.

### 1.2 Population Policies and Programs

Jamaica, along with other members of the international community, has experienced the intensification of pressures of high population growth on available resources within their countries and the constraints which this has placed on social and economic progress. Growing disparities in social benefits point to a real need for adopting a strategy of planned population programs aimed at reducing the rate of growth of the population within a policy of continued improvement in the welfare of the people.

An important aspect of pursuing such a policy is the requirement for making assessments at frequent intervals of the demographic behaviors of the people. Thus, it is necessary to measure fertility and mortality, as well as other related phenomena, at specific periods of development. Fertility levels are directly determined by a series of events which, either as a matter of individual choice or indirectly through socio-cultural practices, interfere with the biological determinants.

In studying fertility levels and trends in Jamaica, it is important to consider the complex family formation patterns. Unlike other areas of the world, family formation in the Caribbean region has very distinct characteristics, which prevent the use of simple marital-nonmarital differentials in studying fertility and contraceptive needs. Generally, women first enter a sexual union in which they do not share a household with their partners; this is known as a visiting union. Often, this is followed by a common-law union, in which couples do share a household but are not legally married. However, women and men may move from common-law unions to visiting unions and from either type of union directly into legal marriage. Since some women and men are involved in several types of unions in varying sequences during their reproductive lives, their exposure to the risk of pregnancy and need of contraception to prevent an unintended pregnancy varies much more than for couples in other countries with more formal union patterns.

A conceptual framework for the study of fertility patterns generally takes into account several important inter-related contributors. One is the proportion of the female population of reproductive age who live in stable unions such as formal marriages and consensual unions. Another is adoption of fertility control measures: contraception (defined as any deliberate practice, including abstinence and sterilization, undertaken to reduce or eliminate the risk of conception) and induced abortion. At a third level, there are two important behavioral variables that can affect fertility: frequency and duration of breastfeeding, and coital frequency. In
addition, any study of fertility must take account of associated socio-economic, cultural, and environmental influences which affect its level and movement, identifying factors which impact on these measurements.

Substantial improvements in women's reproductive health and achievement of desired fertility will depend not only on further increases in contraceptive use, but also on improvements in method selection and on reductions in contraceptive discontinuation and failure rates. Education and health promotion efforts have targeted the lack of awareness among women about other important reproductive health topics: the need for preventive medical care before and after a birth; follow-up care after an abortion; ways to prevent STIs and HIV; and where and when to go for other preventive health services. Special emphasis has been placed on meeting the reproductive health needs of Jamaican young adults. Recent programs have targeted the promotion of safer sex practices through information, education and communication (IEC) messages and condom programming, using mass-media, clinic-based, and peer-education approaches.

While there have been significant increases in the life expectancy of the population, there are certain areas -- such as infant and child mortality -- where existing levels are still above acceptable standards. A proper assessment of the extent of the problem becomes difficult since recent studies have confirmed possible inaccuracies in the official estimates, which are of concern to health administrators. The concerns identified above are reflected in the proposed program of work covered in the 2008 Reproductive Health Survey (RHS) as set out in the identified objectives and scope of work, a continuation of the work programs of the earlier RHSs and still earlier Contraceptive Prevalence Surveys. Thus, the 2008 RHS is part of the continuing series of periodic inquiries undertaken in Jamaica, aimed at providing information on fertility levels and related factors which affect contraceptive use, unintended pregnancies and reproductive health. In addition, the 2008 survey collected for the first time comprehensive data on HIV and on gender-based violence.

### 1.3 Survey Objectives

Population-based surveys of women of childbearing age using national representative samples are considered to be the best and most timely way to collect information on such topics as fertility, planning status of pregnancies, family planning, health behaviors and use of women's health services, contraceptive knowledge and attitudes, knowledge about AIDS transmission and prevention, and other reproductive health issues. These surveys not only represent a valuable source of up-to-date information to evaluate programs and develop program strategies, but also provide baseline information for future studies. To identify reproductive health needs and evaluate the impact of the national family planning and maternal and child health programs, periodic sample surveys have been used in Jamaica since the mid-1970s-in 1975, as part of the World Fertility Survey project; in 1983, 1989, and 1993, as Contraceptive Prevalence Surveys; and in 1993, 1997, 2002 and 2008 as Reproductive Health Surveys. The RHS project uses
scientific sampling to collect a comparative body of nationally representative information on population, nutrition, and health issues. RHS employs large nationally representative samples of women and men and, by asking the same questions to both, allows for estimation of comparable gender indicators. By collecting data every 5 years, RHS documents the "intermediate variables" related to fertility and reproductive health in Jamaica and tracks changes over time.

A principal objective of the 2008 RHS has been to examine aspects of reproductive health status and needs that can be used to help direct or modify program interventions. The survey looks at the trends and levels of contraceptive use, at method selection, and to what extent family planning methods are being used effectively (contraceptive failure and continuation rates). In addition, it provides data on women's knowledge, opinions, and attitudes toward practices related to family planning, fertility, women's health, and sexually transmitted diseases, including HIV prevention. It also aims to assess other factors which may affect reproductive behaviors, including risk factors for unintended pregnancy, so that program interventions may be improved. These data are particularly useful in assisting policy makers and health planners to assess health services needs, to identify reproductive health behaviors associated with poor health outcomes, and to design better programs targeted to meeting the needs of key population subgroups.

In the aftermath of the objectives set out at the ICPD in 1994, most countries started to reform their family planning and reproductive health programmes, particularly in the area of family planning and adolescent reproductive health, in order to re-align them to the principles of the Cairo Programme of Action. The Programme of Action recommended that programmes should have the dual goal of covering all the reproductive health needs of their clients and promoting gender equity.

For the first time, the 2008 RHS collected population-based information on gender norms and gender-based violence (GBV) at a national level. It had been widely recognized that GBV occurs in all cultures; it is usually perpetrated by men against their female partners; and it affects women of all ages and all socio-economic and educational backgrounds. Gender stereotypes, women's economic dependence on men, cultural acceptability, loose or nonexistent legislation to protect women's fundamental human rights, and lack of preventive measures for victims are some of the known factors that contribute to intimate partner violence. Since domestic violence affects women's physical, sexual, psychological, economical, and social well being, it implicitly affects women's health, including their reproductive health. Studies have shown that women subjected to domestic violence may be unable to use contraception effectively and consistently, and may lack control or negotiation skills that will enable them to avoid unintended pregnancies and sexually transmitted diseases, including HIV/AIDS. High quality data on gender and GBV is critical to identify risk groups, document risk factors, track trends over time, and determine the impact of policies and interventions.

To achieve further reductions of maternal and infant mortality and morbidity, rates of unintended pregnancy, risk of STI infection, and the level of gender-based violence, the government of Jamaica is committed to increasing its investments in health, particularly in the area of health education and prevention. Such efforts are particularly aimed at high risk groups, such as young adults, rural residents, economically disadvantaged populations, and victims of gender-based violence.

Similar to the Jamaican government, the United States Agency for International Development (USAID) has set two main goals in its work in the area of population, health, and nutrition: to stabilize population growth, and to improve the health of the population. To attain these goals, USAID has several strategic objectives that are addressed by the RHS project: a) to reduce unintended pregnancies; b) to reduce maternal morbidity and mortality; c) to reduce infant and child mortality; d) and to reduce STD/HIV transmission. Starting in the early 2000s, USAID, NFPB and their partners have pooled their efforts to strengthen sex education programmes in the country, using school-based, clinic-based, or peer-education and mentoring approaches.

All these efforts need to be evaluated, reviewed and refocused, in accordance with the documentation of program achievements and gaps and identification of new challenges and needs. The RHS project is a collection of important demographic and reproductive health indicators. These indicators are used to examine health trends and set targets for improvement, allocate resources, and monitor performance of reproductive health programs. Their collection aims to address the needs of the NFPB and other governmental institutions, local and international non-governmental organizations, and bilateral and multilateral donors in achieving several long-term and immediate objectives:

- to assess the current situation in Jamaica concerning fertility, unintended pregnancies, contraception, sexual behaviors, and various other reproductive health issues;
- to assess knowledge, attitudes, use, and source of contraception, including a special module that provides estimates of contraceptive continuation and failure rates;
- to document changes in fertility and contraceptive prevalence rates and study factors that affect these changes, such as geographic and socio-demographic factors, reproductive norms, and access to and availability of family planning services;
- to assess health risk behaviors and utilization of preventive health services;
- to enable policy makers, program managers, and researchers to evaluate and improve existing programs and to develop new strategies (a good example is use of RHS data to evaluate the JASTYLE project aimed at sex education and health promotion programs for youths);
- to obtain data about knowledge, attitudes, and behavior of young adults 15-24 years of age, including teen pregnancy and its risk factors;
- to provide data on the level of knowledge about transmission and prevention of HIV;
- to document gender norms and prevalence of gender-based violence, identify risk factors, and examine correlates with other reproductive health issues;
- to identify subgroups at high risk for adverse reproductive health outcomes and obtain the data needed to develop targeted interventions; differentials in reproductive behaviors and outcomes were examined across parishes and health regions and by other socio-demographic characteristics in order to assess program impact and indicate who might benefit from special interventions and program effort.

A secondary objective of the survey has been to enhance the capabilities of scientists from STATIN and other Jamaican agencies to process, analyze, and interpret reproductive health data. The RHS project has a strong capacity-building orientation, aimed at achieving self-sufficiency at the country level, especially as an increasing number of countries are graduating from the need of USAID health and population assistance. As such, the RHS 2008 included a one-week data analyses workshop implemented shortly after the conclusion of the data collection and processing. The general objective of the workshop was to increase access to the RHS data (current and previous cycles) and enhance application and diffusion of the survey results among groups of technical people in the health and the social sector. This in turn was viewed as an essential step in the construction of processes that generate information specific to population and reproductive health activities and in strengthening the capacity of participant organizations to apply data in policy formulation, and in the design, execution and evaluation of projects and programs.

### 1.4 Institutional Participation

Similar to previous RHSs, the NFPB contracted the survey implementation to be executed by the Statistical Institute of Jamaica (STATIN), with technical assistance from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Division of Reproductive Health (CDC/DRH). This activity follows participation of the CDC/DRH in previous national family planning and reproductive health surveys in 1989, 1993, 1997, and 2002 conducted by the NFPB in Jamaica. Technical assistance for the CDC/DRH activities was funded by USAID/Jamaica, through the Participating Agency Program Agreement (PAPA) between the United States Agency for International Development/Bureau for Global Health/Office of Population and Reproductive Health (USAID/GH/PRH) and CDC/DRH.

The STATIN team was responsible for designing the sample and updating the sampling frame, providing training facilities, recruiting interviewers and supervisors to carry out survey activities,
conducting the fieldwork, data entry and data cleaning, data analyses, and preparing reports on specific topics (i.e. a young adult report and four health-region specific reports). CDC/DRH was responsible for questionnaire development, data-entry set up, training and training materials, technical input to field testing and field work, as well as data cleaning and management, preparation of the survey data sets, and writing of the final survey report. It was also responsible for a one-week data analyses workshop, organized in Kingston, January 2010, with USAID and NFPB support. The NFPB staff provided ongoing oversight for all aspects of the survey, including the data analysis workshop.

Data collection for the RHS was carried out by approximately 100 female and male interviewers, with female interviewers conducting interviews of females and males and men interviewers collecting information from male respondents only. Most of the interviewers and supervisors had experience conducting interviews in other household surveys, including the three previous national Reproductive Health Surveys. Interviewer training and fieldwork was managed by staff of the STATIN, with the involvement of Dr. Douglas Forbes and Ms. Natalee Simpson, STATIN survey director and project manager, respectively; Ms. Merville Anderson, director of the field work and operation activities; and Ms. Avery Gaynor, data entry supervisor and CSPro expert; and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention team (Dr. Florina Serbanescu, medical epidemiologist and CDC principal investigator; Danielle Jackson Suchdev, health scientist and coprincipal investigator; Alicia Ruiz and Fernando Carlosama, program analysts; Dr. Paul Stupp, demographer; and Dr. Reina Turcios-Ruiz, medical epidemiologist).

Interviewer training was done jointly by STATIN and CDC and took place in Kingston and Ocho Rios, just before data collection began. It consisted of one week of classroom training in fieldwork procedures and proper administration of the questionnaire, and one week of practical training in the field with close monitoring by the trainers. Fieldwork lasted from June 2008 through April 2009, with field work interrupted between December and February. Interviews were conducted at the homes of respondents and lasted an average of 47 minutes for women and 46 minutes for men. Completed questionnaires were reviewed in the field by team supervisors, and then taken to the STATIN headquarters for data processing.

The questionnaire was designed to collect information on the following:

- Demographic characteristics
- Household assets (durable goods and dwelling characteristics)
- Fertility and child mortality
- Family planning and reproductive preferences
- Reproductive and maternal health care utilization
- Preventive and curative health care utilization
- Risky health behaviors (smoking, alcohol and drug use)
- Young adult health education and behaviors
- Gender norms and gender-based violence
- HIV/AIDS and other STIs


### 1.5 Sampling Design

Similar to previous surveys, the Jamaica RHS 2008 was a population-based probability survey consisting of in-person, face-to-face interviews with women (15-49 years) and men (15-24 years) at their homes. The survey was designed to collect information from a representative sample of approximately 8,200 women of reproductive age and 2,500 young adult men throughout Jamaica. The universe from which the respondents were selected included all females between the ages of 15 and 49 years and all males aged 15-24 years, regardless of marital status, who were living in households in Jamaica when the survey was carried out. The female and male samples were selected independently.

The household survey employed a stratified multistage sampling design using the 2001 census as the sampling frame. The household selection for the male sample was independent from the selection of households for the female sample. To better assist the key stakeholders in assessing the baseline situation at a sub-national level, the female sample was designed to produce estimates for all of the 14 parishes and the 4 health regions in Jamaica. The smaller male sample was designed to produce sub-national estimates for health regions only. The samples for both women and men are also designed to produce estimates for urban and rural populations at the national level.

The first stage of the three-stage sample design was the selection of census sectors, also known as Enumeration Districts (EDs). The 14 parishes of Jamaica are further subdivided into 307 "sampling regions" of approximately equal size, which constitute the strata for the JRHS sample. Within each sampling region 2,3 or 4 EDs were selected with probability proportional to the size (PPS) of the ED, which is measured by the number of households in the ED, according to the 2001 census. All 307 sampling regions are represented in the male and female samples. The number of sampling regions in a parish varies as a function of population size and ranges from 14-22 in the smaller parishes-14 in Trelawny, Hanover, Westmorland, and St. Elizabeth, 15 in St. Ann, 16 in Portland, 17 in St James, 18 in Manchester, 20 in Kingston and St. Thomas, 22 in Clarendon and St. Mary-to a high of 46 in St. Catherine and 50 in St. Andrew. In the first stage selection, a total of 628 EDs were selected as primary sampling units (PSUs), as shown in Table 1.5.

The target number of completed interviews in each sample (8,200 and 2,500, respectively for females and males) was divided among the 14 parishes and the minimum acceptable number of interviews per parish was set at 500 for the female sample and 176 for the male sample, equally distributed among the sampling regions within each parish. The average number of women aged 15-49 years and men 15-24 years per household identified in the 2002 Jamaica Reproductive Health Survey was used to provide an estimate of the number of households to be

Table 1.5
Number of Households (HH) in the Jamaica RHS08 Sample and the 2001 Census and the Ratio of the Number of Households in the Census to the Number of Households in the Sample, by Parish

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| Parish | No. of HH in Census | No. of PSUs in the Sample | No. of HH Sampled | Ratio of HH-Census to the HH in Sample |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Female Sample |  |  |  |
| Kingston | 28,200 | 40 | 1,510 | 18.7 |
| St. Andrew | 164,513 | 110 | 1,540 | 106.8 |
| St. Thomas | 28,210 | 40 | 1,267 | 22.3 |
| Portland | 23,916 | 36 | 1,292 | 18.5 |
| St. Mary | 32,167 | 48 | 1,200 | 26.8 |
| St. Ann | 45,378 | 30 | 1,410 | 32.2 |
| Trelawny | 21,733 | 31 | 1,079 | 20.1 |
| St. James | 49,741 | 34 | 1,533 | 32.4 |
| Hanover | 20,283 | 31 | 1,311 | 15.5 |
| Westmoreland | 42,029 | 28 | 1,447 | 29.1 |
| St. Elizabeth | 41,687 | 28 | 1,207 | 34.5 |
| Manchester | 51,425 | 36 | 1,433 | 35.9 |
| Clarendon | 64,669 | 44 | 1,472 | 43.9 |
| St. Catherine | 134,378 | 92 | 1,144 | 117.4 |
| Total | 748,329 | 628 | 18,845 | 39.7 |
|  | Male Sample |  |  |  |
| Kingston | 28,200 | 40 | 1,220 | 23.1 |
| St. Andrew | 164,513 | 110 | 1,428 | 115.2 |
| St. Thomas | 28,210 | 40 | 1,312 | 21.5 |
| Portland | 23,916 | 36 | 993 | 24.1 |
| St. Mary | 32,167 | 48 | 1,023 | 31.4 |
| St. Ann | 45,378 | 30 | 917 | 49.5 |
| Trelawny | 21,733 | 32 | 985 | 22.1 |
| St. James | 49,741 | 34 | 1,004 | 49.6 |
| Hanover | 20,283 | 30 | 738 | 27.5 |
| Westmoreland | 42,029 | 28 | 952 | 44.1 |
| St. Elizabeth | 41,687 | 28 | 969 | 43.0 |
| Manchester | 51,425 | 36 | 906 | 56.8 |
| Clarendon | 64,669 | 44 | 1,124 | 57.5 |
| St. Catherine | 134,378 | 92 | 1,157 | 116.1 |
| Total | 748,329 | 628 | 14,727 | 50.8 |

$\mathrm{HH}=$ households; PSU = primary sampling unit.

Figure 1.5
Number of Households in the Parish (Female Sample) and the 2001 Census

visited in each parish to produce the required number of completed female and male interviews in each parish. With these criteria, the number of dwellings to be interviewed in each PSU was generally equal within each parish but varied between parishes.

Figure 1.5 compares the distribution of households in the female sample (shown with bars) and the distribution of households in the 2001 Census (line graph) by the 14 parishes. The sampling fraction ranges from 1 in 16 households in the Hanover (the least populated parish) to 1 in 117 in St. Catherine. Similarly, the sampling fraction in the male sample ranges from 1 in 22 in St. Thomas to 1 in 116 in St. Catherine. Given that the overall ratio of households in the census to households in the female sample is 39.8 (and 50.8 for men), if the ratio of households ( HH ) in the census to the households in the sample is above 39.8 ( 50.8 for men) then the parish has been under-sampled, and if the ratio is less than 39.8 ( 50.8 for men) then the parish has been over-sampled.

After the first stage selection of 628 PSUs (Enumeration Districts), each selected PSU was relisted to obtain an updated count of households in that PSU. In the second stage of sampling, clusters of households were randomly selected within each PSU chosen in the first stage. Separate households were selected for male and female interviews. Determination of the cluster sizes was based on the number of households required to obtain the target average number of completed interviews per cluster in each parish. The total number of households selected in each cluster took into account information from the 2002 RHS on the proportions of unoccupied households, households with women aged 15-49 years (and men aged 15-24 years per household in the male sample), and an expected response rate of $95 \%$.

Finally for the third stage of sampling, in each of the households selected in the female sample, one woman between the ages of 15 and 49 was selected at random for interview (if there was more than one woman in the household). Likewise, in the male sample, one man between the ages of 15 and 24 was selected at random for interview.

Because the survey collected information from a representative sample of women aged 15-49 years and males aged 15-24 years, the data can be used to estimate percents, averages, and other measures for the entire population of women of reproductive age and young adult males residing in Jamaican households in 2008.

| Table 1.6A <br> Results of Household Visits and Individual Interview Status of Eligible Women Aged 15-49 Years by Residence and Health Region (Percent Distribution) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Household Visits and Eligibility | Total | Residence |  |  | Health Region |  |  |  |
|  |  | $\begin{gathered} \hline \text { Kingston } \\ \text { Metropolitan } \\ \text { Area } \end{gathered}$ | Other Urban | Rural | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| Household visits |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Identified eligible respondent | 45.3 | 43.1 | 46.2 | 45.5 | 44.6 | 46.4 | 44.5 | 46.5 |
| No eligible respondent | 34.1 | 32.2 | 30.6 | 36.4 | 31.4 | 35.4 | 35.7 | 34.5 |
| Occupant not at Home | 2.8 | 2.9 | 3.1 | 2.6 | 2.9 | 2.8 | 2.8 | 2.7 |
| Household refusal | 1.6 | 2.7 | 2.3 | 0.9 | 2.2 | 0.5 | 1.4 | 2.0 |
| Unoccupied household | 6.2 | 3.8 | 7.0 | 6.5 | 5.3 | 6.0 | 6.2 | 7.5 |
| Other | 9.9 | 15.3 | 10.8 | 8.1 | 13.7 | 8.7 | 9.4 | 6.8 |
| Total | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| No. of households visited | 18,841 | 2,867 | 5,162 | 10,812 | 5,460 | 3,905 | 5,364 | 4,112 |
| Eligible women (15-49) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Completed interviews | 96.7 | 96.9 | 95.7 | 97.1 | 96.2 | 97.2 | 97.0 | 96.5 |
| Eligible absent | 2.5 | 2.1 | 3.4 | 2.2 | 3.2 | 2.1 | 2.2 | 2.4 |
| Eligible refusal | 0.8 | 1.0 | 0.9 | 0.7 | 0.7 | 0.7 | 0.8 | 1.1 |
| Total | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| No. of eligible women identified | 8,542 | 1,236 | 2,385 | 4,921 | 2,433 | 1,812 | 2,385 | 1,912 |
| No. of completed interviews | 8,259 | 1,198 | 2,283 | 4,778 | 2,340 | 1,761 | 2,313 | 1,845 |

### 1.6 Response Rates

Of the 18,841 households selected in the female sample and 14,729 households selected in the male sample, 8,542 and 2,941 included at least one eligible respondent (a woman aged 15-49 years or a man aged 15-24 years). Of these, 8,259 women and 2,775 men were successfully interviewed, yielding response rates of $96.7 \%$ and $94.4 \%$, respectively (Tables 1.6 A and 1.6 B ). As
many as four visits were placed to each household with eligible respondents who were not at home during the initial household approach.

Almost all respondents who were selected to participate and who could be reached agreed to be interviewed. Less than one percent of eligible women and $2.5 \%$ of eligible men refused to be interviewed, and $2.5 \%$ of women and $3.2 \%$ of men could not be located. Response rates were not significantly different by residence, except for Kingston Metropolitan Area, where the participation rate among young men was slightly lower (89.8\%).

| Table 1.6B <br> Results of Household Visits and Individual Interview Status of Eligible Men Aged 15-24 Years by Residence and Health Region (Percent Distribution) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Household Visits and Eligibility | Total | Residence |  |  | Health Region |  |  |  |
|  |  | Kingston Metropolitan Area | Other Urban | Rural | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| Household visits |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Identified eligible respondent | 20.0 | 17.1 | 19.8 | 20.9 | 17.0 | 19.6 | 22.0 | 22.9 |
| No eligible respondent | 58.0 | 47.8 | 57.2 | 61.5 | 53.7 | 63.1 | 60.2 | 57.8 |
| Occupant not at home | 3.0 | 1.3 | 4.9 | 2.6 | 2.9 | 2.4 | 1.4 | 5.7 |
| Household refusal | 1.7 | 3.9 | 1.8 | 1.1 | 3.2 | 0.2 | 1.0 | 1.6 |
| Unoccupied household | 6.2 | 6.2 | 6.5 | 6.1 | 6.1 | 6.4 | 6.1 | 6.6 |
| Other | 11.0 | 23.7 | 9.8 | 7.8 | 17.1 | 8.3 | 9.4 | 5.4 |
| Total | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| No. of households visited | 14,729 | 2,479 | 4,052 | 8,198 | 5,118 | 2,933 | 3,679 | 2,999 |
| Eligible men (15-24) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Completed interviews | 94.4 | 89.8 | 94.6 | 95.3 | 90.7 | 96.2 | 95.7 | 95.9 |
| Eligible absent | 3.2 | 2.6 | 2.7 | 3.5 | 4.0 | 3.0 | 2.1 | 3.5 |
| Eligible refusal | 2.5 | 7.6 | 2.6 | 1.2 | 5.3 | 0.9 | 2.2 | 0.6 |
| Total | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| No. of eligible men identified | 2,941 | 423 | 802 | 1,716 | 870 | 574 | 810 | 687 |
| No. of completed interviews | 2,775 | 380 | 759 | 1,636 | 789 | 552 | 775 | 659 |

Even though the overall response rate was similar in urban and rural areas, eligible respondents in urban areas were somewhat more likely to refuse to be interviewed.

### 1.7 Sampling Weights

Because the sample design is not self-weighting, it was necessary to weight observations for data analysis. The initial two of three weights represented the differential selection of households in each sampling region and the selection of one eligible respondent per household, which compensates for the fact that some households included more than one eligible female or male respondent.

The number of households in each sampling region was compared with the number of households per sampling region estimated in the 2001 census projections. The ratio between the estimate of all existent households and sample-selected households in each sampling region represents the sampling-region-specific household expansion factor. This factor was later normalized so that the sum of the household weights was equal to the total number of households in the sample. The variation in this weight reflects variation in the selection probability of the households within each sampling region and parish

Tabulations using these two weights (sampling-region-specific household weight and onerespondent selection weight) were used to compare demographic characteristics of respondents with completed interviews with the 2008 population projections for Jamaica by age group, sex, and place of residence. The age distribution of the 2008 RHS sample closely corresponded to the female population projections, except for overrepresenting women aged 45-49 years and underrepresenting women aged 30-39 years, regardless of the place of residence. The age distribution of the male sample was similar to the distribution in the census projections. Thus, a post-survey adjustment for the age distribution of the female sample was multiplied by the two weights mentioned above. The post-survey adjustment was based on the 2008 projections of the population by sex, age, and residence. For each sub-class, the postsurvey adjustment factor was the ratio of the known national value to the sample estimate of that value.

As a result, the final survey weight is the product of 3 weights for the female sample (a household weight, a one-respondent-per-household weight, and a post-stratification weight) and 2 weights for the male sample (a household weight, a one-respondent-per-household weight). Beginning with Chapter 2, all survey results are based on analyses weighted by the final weight.

Wt Female sample final $=\mathrm{Wt}_{\text {sampling region }} * \mathrm{Wt}_{\text {one eligible respondent }} * \mathrm{Wt}$ post-stratification

Wt Male sample final $=\mathrm{Wt}$ sampling region $* W t$ one eligible respondent

## Chapter 2

## Characteristics of the sample

The 2008 RHS survey documents a wide array of key reproductive health outcomes and their determinants for women of reproductive age (women aged 15-49 years) and young adult men (aged 15-24 years). To better understand these outcomes, Chapter 2 presents the main characteristics of the survey respondents, using key variables that will be repeated throughout the report. Geographic key variables are area of residence, including Kingston Metropolitan Area, other urban area, and rural area; four health regions; and 14 parishes. Key demographic variables are the age at the time of the interview, which is grouped by five years (or by ten years in some tables in other chapters), and current relationship status. The latter consists of six types: three formal union relationships-legal marriage, common-law union, and visiting union-two more informal partnerships-include boyfriend/girlfriend with sexual relationship and boyfriend/girlfriend without sexual relationship-and respondents without a regular partner at the time of the interview. The distinction among various types of partnerships by whether they include sexual relations or not is important particularly for its relevance to fertility and contraceptive use. Note: women and men who did not have steady partners at the time of the survey include those who have previously been in a marital/consensual/visiting union or had a boyfriend/girlfriend.

Socioeconomic variables include education level in years categorized into 0-9, 10-12, and 13 or more years of schooling and the wealth status of the households interviewed. The wealth status is based on household assets, including durable goods (refrigerator, television, car, computer, etc.) and dwelling characteristics (type of source for drinking water, toilet facilities, fuel used for cooking, and the household crowdedness). To construct the index, each household asset was assigned a weight or a factor score generated through principal component analysis. The resulting asset scores were standardized to have a standard normal distribution with a mean of zero and a standard deviation of one. Each household was assigned a standardized score reflecting its existing set of assets and possessions, and overall scores were generated by summing up the standardized asset-specific scores. Next, the sample of households was divided into quintiles: the households with the lowest $20 \%$ of the total asset scores became the lowest wealth quintile, the next $20 \%$ became the second wealth quintile, etc. Each respondent was ranked according to the wealth quintile of the household in which she or he resided.

Thus, the wealth index measures the standard of living of a household relative to other households, indicating that respondents living in households with the second wealth quintile,
for example, have better socioeconomic status (SES) than those in the lowest wealth quintile and worse SES than respondents living in the middle wealth quintile. The wealth index is not an indication of whether respondents are living in poverty or not. It is also worth mentioning that previous RHS surveys in Jamaica did not use the wealth index to characterize the SES of the households. Previous surveys used a socioeconomic index based on equal values assigned for possession of household amenities and goods. The resulting scores ranged from 0-9 or 0-10, where 0 represented the lower end (i.e. no score-related amenities or goods in the household) and 9 or 10 represented the higher end (all items present in the household). The score was further divided into terciles to create three levels of the SES of the household. To facilitate comparisons of reproductive health indicators by the SES of the respondents interviewed in the 2008 survey with the results collected in previous surveys, the wealth index created in 2008 is also used to create a distribution of households by terciles. The wealth terciles are based on the principal component analysis and classify the households in the sample as being in the lowest $33 \%$ of the total asset score, the middle 33\%, and the highest 33\%. Thus, the trend comparison of indicators by socioeconomic status should be interpreted with caution, since slightly different methodology for assessing the SES was employed in 2008.

### 2.1 Age

The first demographic variable is age. The percent distribution by five-year age cohort is shown in Figure 2.1. In the male sample, $59.5 \%$ were aged $15-19$ years, and $40.5 \%$ were aged $20-24$ years.

Figure 2.1
Percent Distribution of Women Aged 15-49 Years Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008


### 2.2 Partnership Status

According to Table 2.2A and Figure 2.2, 14.8\% of all female respondents were legally married, $22.5 \%$, were in common-law unions, and $31.2 \%$, were in visiting partnerships. One in four (24.9\%) women of reproductive age did not have a regular partner at the time of the interview, $3.6 \%$ had a boyfriend that they had sexual relations with, and $3.1 \%$ had a boyfriend without sexual relations.

Figure 2.2
Percent Distribution of Women Aged 15-49 Years by Partnership Status Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008


Table 2.2A also shows the percent distribution of women in each partnership status according to key characteristics. Older women, particularly those aged 40 years or older, were more likely to be in a marital union than younger women (30.5\%-32.6\%). Women aged 20-24 and 25-29 years were most likely to be in a visiting partner relationship (49.3\% and 41.7\%, respectively). Boyfriend-girlfriend relationship was most common among women aged 15-19 years, among whom $10.6 \%$ reported a relationship that involved sexual activity and $11.5 \%$ reported no sexual intercourse with their partners. Marriage was the most common form of partnership among women with at least 13 years of schooling (29.6\%) and among those living in households categorized to be in the highest wealth quintile ( $23.9 \%$ ). Common law unions were more common among women with lower education attainment and those living in households with lower SES.

Since only 8 men aged 15-24 years included in the RHS sample were legally married, young adult men in legal and consensual marriages were analyzed together in all tables related to male reproductive health indicators. Table 2.2 B shows that $5.3 \%$ of young adult men were currently married or in consensual unions, $20.7 \%$ were in visiting relationships, $29.9 \%$ had girlfriends with
whom they had sexual relations, $15.6 \%$ had girlfriends without sexual relations, and $28.4 \%$ did not have steady partners.

### 2.3 Education Level

Figure 2.3 and Table 2.3A show the percent distribution of women aged 14-49 years by the number of years of schooling. The majority of the women (63.7\%) reported 10-12 years of schooling, followed by $22.7 \%$ of women with $0-9$ years, and $13.6 \%$ with at least 13 years. As for young males, $24.1 \%$ had $0-9$ years of schooling, $70.6 \%$ had $10-12$ years, and $5.2 \%$ had at least 13 years in school (Table 2.3B). Interestingly, men aged 20-24 years were less likely to report postsecondary education (13 or more years of schooling) than their female counterparts (10.2\% vs. $17.9 \%$ ).

Figure 2.3
Percent Distribution of Women Aged 15-49 Years by Education Level (in Years) Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008


Table 2.3A also shows the percent distribution of women in each education level by key background characteristics. In general, women residing in urban areas were better educated than those living in rural areas. For example, women in rural areas were more likely to report 09 years of schooling (28.8\%) and less likely to report 13 or more years of schooling (9.9\%) than women residing in urban areas ( $20.3 \%$ and $18.7 \%$, respectively), including the Kingston Metropolitan Area (14.4\% and 12.4\%, respectively). The regions with the least educated populations were health region 4 ( $33.0 \%$ of women with $0-9$ years of education) and Clarendon parish ( $35.2 \%$ of women with $0-9$ years of education). Similar patterns of education by background characteristics were observed among young adult men (Table 2.3B).

### 2.4 Wealth Quintile

Similar to the pattern found for educational level, Table 2.4 A also shows that the health region 4 appeared to be the poorest with about a third (34.0\%) of the female respondents residing in households classified as being in the lowest wealth quintile. Women residing in St Elizabeth and Clarendon had the highest likelihood to reside in households with the lowest wealth quintile ( $40.0 \%$ and $37.7 \%$, respectively). Legally married women were more likely to reside in households with the highest wealth quintile than women in other union status; almost one in three married women had the highest wealth quintile compared to only $12.0 \%$ of women in common-law unions and $18.2 \%$ of women in visiting relationships.

Table 2.4B among men, rural residence, residence in health region 4 and 2, residence in St. Thomas, St. Mary, St. Elizabeth, and Clarendon parishes, low educational attainment, and having no steady relationship were associated with lower wealth quintiles.

### 2.5 Employment Status

Figure 2.5 and Table 2.5A show the percent distribution of women aged 15-49 years by their employment status. Appxoximately half ( $43.5 \%$ ) were employed, and $13.4 \%$ had participated in the labour force but were unemployed at the time of the survey. One in five ( $21.9 \%$ ) women reported not working because they were "keeping house", $15.0 \%$ were in school, and $5.8 \%$ were at home but not keeping house. Among young males, $38.3 \%$ were students, $35.5 \%$ were currently employed, and $19.7 \%$ were unemployed (Table 2.4B).

Table 2.5A also shows that women in urban areas, particularly in Kingston Metropolitan Area, were more likely to be employed ( $50.9 \%$ for Kingston and $48.5 \%$ for other urban areas) than women in rural areas ( $35.8 \%$ ). Rural residents had the highest unemployment rate (16.2\%). As for parishes, unemployment rates were particularly high in St. Mary (29.8\%) and St. Thomas ( $25.2 \%$ ). The vast majority of women aged 15-19 years ( $64.3 \%$ ) were students. Married women were more likely to be employed ( $61.0 \%$ ) and less likely to be unemployed (6.9\%) than women in other union status. Women with the highest level of education and those residing in households with the highest SES were more likely to be employed ( $66.3 \%$ and $57.9 \%$, respectively) than women residing in households with lower wealth quintiles.

Figure 2.5
Percent Distribution of Women Aged 15-49 Years by Employment Status Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008


When compared to young women aged 15-19 and 20-24 years, young adult men were twice as likely to be employed ( $15.5 \%$ and $65.2 \%$ for males vs. $7.1 \%$ and $34.3 \%$ for females) and much less likely to be unemployed ( $16.6 \%$ and $24.4 \%$ for males vs. $11.1 \%$ and $21.5 \%$ for females) (Tables 2.5A and B). Consistent with the gender differential in the current level of educational attainment, young women aged 20-24 years were more likely to report not working because they were in school, presumably in postgraduate school, when compared to their male counterparts (11.5\% vs. 6.4\%).

### 2.6 Church Attendance

Figure 2.6 and Table 2.6A show the percent distribution of women aged 15-49 years by frequency of attendance in religious activities. One third (34.8\%) reported attending religious services at least once a week and $22.1 \%$ attended church only on special occasions, such as weddings, funerals, and christenings. One in every 10 women (11.1\%) said that they never attended any religious services.

Adolescent women (41.3\%) and women aged 40 years or older (38.2\% and 51.7\%, respectively) reported the highest levels of weekly attendance of religious services. Married women were more likely to attend religious services at least weekly (65.0\%) than women in other union status, particularly those with common-law partners (15.3\%). Finally, women with higher levels of education and those living in households with higher wealth quintiles were more likely to attend services frequently than women with lower education and SES.

Compared to young adult women, men aged 15-19 and 20-24 were less likely to attend church weekly and more likely to report never attending religious services (Tables 2.6A and 2.6B).

Figure 2.6
Percent Distribution of Women Aged 15-49 Years by Frequency of Church Attendance Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008


### 2.7 Number of Children Born Alive

Figure 2.7 and Table 2.7A show the percent distribution of women aged 15-49 years by the number of children they have that were born alive. One third (33.0\%) of these women had no children born alive at the time of the survey. These rates were higher among residents of Kingston Metropolitan area, health region 1 and St Andrew parish (which is part of the health region 1) and lower among rural residents and residents of region 4 and St Elizabeth parish. Slightly more than one in five ( $21.6 \%$ ) of women reported having one live birth, $17.7 \%$ reported 2 live births, and $27.7 \%$ reported 3 or more children born alive. Higher numbers of live births was associated with rural residence ( $32.7 \%$ of women reported at least 3 live births) and residence in health region 4. As expected, the number of live births was directly correlated with age, with the youngest women being the most likely to be childless and the women aged 45-49 years reporting the highest number of children born alive. Higher numbers of living children were also reported by women in legal and consensual unions, those with low educational attainment and those residing in households with lower wealth quintiles.

Excepting men who were in legal or consensual unions, the vast majority of young men reported they had not yet fathered a child who was born alive (Table 2.7B).

Figure 2.7
Percent Distribution of Women Aged 15-49 Years by Number of Children Born Alive Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008


| Table 2.2A <br> Current Partnership Status among Women Aged 15-49 Years by Selected Characteristics Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Characteristic | Current Relationship Status |  |  |  |  |  | Total | $\begin{aligned} & \text { No. of } \\ & \text { Cases } \end{aligned}$ |
|  | Married | Common Law Union | Visiting Relationship | Boyfriend with Sex | $\begin{array}{\|c} \text { Boyfriend } \\ \text { without Sex } \end{array}$ | No Steady Relationship |  |  |
| Total | 14.8 | 22.5 | 31.2 | 3.6 | 3.1 | 24.9 | 100.0 | 8,259 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 12.2 | 21.4 | 35.5 | 4.2 | 2.9 | 23.9 | 100.0 | 1,198 |
| Other urban | 16.1 | 22.8 | 30.5 | 2.5 | 3.0 | 25.1 | 100.0 | 2,283 |
| Rural | 14.9 | 22.8 | 29.8 | 4.2 | 3.2 | 25.1 | 100.0 | 4,778 |
| Health region |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2 | 14.4 | 24.7 | 26.4 | 4.2 | 3.4 | 26.9 | 100.0 | 1,761 |
| 3 | 14.5 | 26.0 | 28.0 | 4.1 | 2.5 | 24.9 | 100.0 | 2,313 |
| 4 | 17.7 | 19.2 | 33.7 | 2.6 | 3.2 | 23.5 | 100.0 | 1,845 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston | 10.0 | 20.5 | 40.0 | 4.0 | 1.9 | 23.6 | 100.0 | 644 |
| St. Andrew | 12.9 | 21.3 | 33.5 | 4.2 | 3.5 | 24.7 | 100.0 | 636 |
| St. Thomas | 12.0 | 26.0 | 33.6 | 5.9 | 2.0 | 20.6 | 100.0 | 504 |
| Portland | 17.8 | 25.1 | 19.7 | 5.5 | 2.9 | 28.9 | 100.0 | 516 |
| St. Mary | 10.5 | 27.8 | 23.2 | 4.9 | 1.6 | 32.0 | 100.0 | 542 |
| St. Ann | 15.9 | 22.1 | 31.7 | 3.1 | 5.0 | 22.2 | 100.0 | 703 |
| Trelawny | 13.5 | 25.3 | 28.3 | 6.3 | 2.2 | 24.4 | 100.0 | 516 |
| St. James | 16.3 | 25.5 | 29.5 | 4.0 | 2.8 | 21.9 | 100.0 | 635 |
| Hanover | 13.2 | 18.6 | 29.3 | 2.1 | 2.9 | 33.9 | 100.0 | 541 |
| Westmoreland | 13.6 | 30.4 | 25.4 | 3.9 | 2.2 | 24.5 | 100.0 | 621 |
| St. Elizabeth | 15.3 | 19.6 | 37.0 | 3.1 | 2.0 | 23.0 | 100.0 | 528 |
| Manchester | 20.2 | 16.5 | 32.4 | 0.9 | 5.4 | 24.6 | 100.0 | 668 |
| Clarendon | 17.3 | 21.4 | 32.5 | 3.9 | 1.9 | 23.0 | 100.0 | 649 |
| St. Catherine | 15.3 | 22.2 | 30.7 | 2.7 | 3.2 | 25.9 | 100.0 | 556 |
| Age group |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 0.0 | 6.5 | 19.3 | 10.6 | 11.6 | 52.0 | 100.0 | 1,229 |
| 20-24 | 3.6 | 24.6 | 49.3 | 5.5 | 3.0 | 14.0 | 100.0 | 1,114 |
| 25-29 | 10.6 | 29.1 | 41.7 | 2.3 | 1.0 | 15.3 | 100.0 | 1,350 |
| 30-34 | 19.6 | 30.5 | 32.6 | 0.7 | 1.1 | 15.5 | 100.0 | 1,219 |
| 35-39 | 22.6 | 27.4 | 28.3 | 1.3 | 0.5 | 19.9 | 100.0 | 1,221 |
| 40-44 | 30.5 | 22.5 | 19.9 | 0.6 | 0.2 | 26.3 | 100.0 | 1,084 |
| 45-49 | 32.6 | 18.6 | 20.7 | 0.3 | 0.4 | 27.4 | 100.0 | 1,042 |
| Education level (in years)* |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-9 | 15.4 | 27.6 | 23.6 | 2.8 | 2.5 | 28.1 | 100.0 | 2,183 |
| 10-12 | 12.3 | 23.2 | 34.0 | 3.8 | 3.3 | 23.4 | 100.0 | 5,078 |
| 13 or more | 25.3 | 10.9 | 30.6 | 3.8 | 3.0 | 26.4 | 100.0 | 995 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 10.5 | 28.4 | 32.4 | 2.5 | 2.1 | 24.1 | 100.0 | 2,001 |
| Second | 10.5 | 28.7 | 32.7 | 4.0 | 2.6 | 21.4 | 100.0 | 1,716 |
| Middle | 13.6 | 24.3 | 31.0 | 4.2 | 3.1 | 23.8 | 100.0 | 1,668 |
| Fourth | 15.2 | 18.0 | 31.5 | 3.5 | 4.3 | 27.5 | 100.0 | 1,650 |
| Highest | 23.9 | 13.5 | 28.5 | 3.7 | 3.2 | 27.2 | 100.0 | 1,224 |

*Excludes 3 women with missing information.

| Table 2.2B <br> Current Partnership Status of Men Aged 15-24 Years <br> by Selected Characteristics <br> Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Characteristic | Current Relationship Status |  |  |  |  | Total | $\begin{aligned} & \text { No. of } \\ & \text { Cases } \end{aligned}$ |
|  | $\qquad$ | Visiting <br> Relationship | $\begin{array}{\|c\|} \hline \text { Girlfriend with } \\ \text { Sex } \end{array}$ | Girlfriend without Sex | No Steady Relationship |  |  |
| Total | 5.3 | 20.7 | 29.9 | 15.6 | 28.4 | 100.0 | 2,775 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 4.1 | 25.9 | 41.9 | 12.7 | 15.4 | 100.0 | 380 |
| Other urban | 7.0 | 19.7 | 26.5 | 17.4 | 29.4 | 100.0 | 759 |
| Rural | 4.7 | 19.8 | 28.4 | 15.4 | 31.7 | 100.0 | 1,636 |
| Health region |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 4.8 | 28.0 | 32.3 | 16.2 | 18.8 | 100.0 | 789 |
| 2 | 6.4 | 17.2 | 34.1 | 13.9 | 28.5 | 100.0 | 552 |
| 3 | 7.8 | 13.8 | 27.5 | 11.8 | 39.1 | 100.0 | 775 |
| 4 | 3.1 | 19.2 | 26.9 | 19.7 | 31.2 | 100.0 | 659 |
| Parish |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston | 7.0 | 30.0 | 39.4 | 13.7 | 9.9 | 100.0 | 209 |
| St. Andrew | 2.7 | 30.2 | 37.3 | 11.6 | 18.2 | 100.0 | 201 |
| St. Thomas | 6.8 | 23.9 | 23.6 | 16.7 | 29.0 | 100.0 | 212 |
| Portland | 7.2 | 13.1 | 34.6 | 11.9 | 33.2 | 100.0 | 182 |
| St. Mary | 8.7 | 23.1 | 30.4 | 12.6 | 25.2 | 100.0 | 186 |
| St. Ann | 4.1 | 14.5 | 36.8 | 16.0 | 28.6 | 100.0 | 184 |
| Trelawny | 3.2 | 8.9 | 48.4 | 8.8 | 30.6 | 100.0 | 170 |
| St. James | 9.4 | 16.9 | 23.1 | 18.8 | 31.8 | 100.0 | 215 |
| Hanover | 8.9 | 12.8 | 23.9 | 12.5 | 41.8 | 100.0 | 181 |
| Westmoreland | 6.9 | 12.7 | 26.5 | 4.3 | 49.6 | 100.0 | 209 |
| St. Elizabeth | 2.1 | 37.4 | 17.1 | 14.9 | 28.5 | 100.0 | 217 |
| Manchester | 2.6 | 14.5 | 25.7 | 18.1 | 39.1 | 100.0 | 236 |
| Clarendon | 4.6 | 8.5 | 36.7 | 25.5 | 24.7 | 100.0 | 206 |
| St. Catherine | 6.0 | 26.1 | 27.0 | 21.5 | 19.4 | 100.0 | 167 |
| Age group |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 0.4 | 9.7 | 30.9 | 22.8 | 36.1 | 100.0 | 1,652 |
| 20-24 | 12.4 | 36.7 | 28.5 | 5.2 | 17.2 | 100.0 | 1,123 |
| Education level (in years)* |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-9 | 3.1 | 9.3 | 20.7 | 22.0 | 44.9 | 100.0 | 687 |
| 10-12 | 6.1 | 23.9 | 32.7 | 14.2 | 23.1 | 100.0 | 1,944 |
| 13 or more | 5.1 | 30.5 | 37.0 | 6.9 | 20.4 | 100.0 | 130 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 5.1 | 13.6 | 28.5 | 12.4 | 40.5 | 100.0 | 632 |
| Second | 4.2 | 20.6 | 29.4 | 17.0 | 28.9 | 100.0 | 620 |
| Middle | 7.7 | 21.6 | 30.9 | 16.0 | 23.8 | 100.0 | 512 |
| Fourth | 4.6 | 25.8 | 28.9 | 15.8 | 24.9 | 100.0 | 538 |
| Highest | 5.0 | 22.4 | 32.3 | 17.0 | 23.4 | 100.0 | 473 |

*Excludes 14 men with missing information.

| Table 2.3A <br> Education Level among Women Aged 15-49 Years by Selected Characteristics <br> Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Characteristic | Education Level (in Years)* |  |  | Total | $\begin{aligned} & \text { No. of } \\ & \text { Cases } \end{aligned}$ |
|  | 0-9 | 10-12 | 13 or More |  |  |
| Total | 22.7 | 63.7 | 13.6 | 100.0 | 8,256 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 14.4 | 73.3 | 12.4 | 100.0 | 1,198 |
| Other urban | 20.3 | 61.1 | 18.7 | 100.0 | 2,281 |
| Rural | 28.8 | 61.4 | 9.9 | 100.0 | 4,777 |
| Health region |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 18.1 | 65.3 | 16.6 | 100.0 | 2,339 |
| 2 | 22.8 | 65.2 | 12.0 | 100.0 | 1,760 |
| 3 | 22.6 | 68.1 | 9.3 | 100.0 | 2,313 |
| 4 | 33.0 | 55.0 | 12.0 | 100.0 | 1,844 |
| Parish |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston | 21.1 | 68.2 | 10.7 | 100.0 | 644 |
| St. Andrew | 13.6 | 73.6 | 12.8 | 100.0 | 636 |
| St. Thomas | 24.6 | 66.9 | 8.5 | 100.0 | 503 |
| Portland | 31.5 | 54.2 | 14.4 | 100.0 | 516 |
| St. Mary | 23.0 | 66.8 | 10.2 | 100.0 | 541 |
| St. Ann | 19.0 | 68.6 | 12.4 | 100.0 | 703 |
| Trelawny | 27.0 | 60.4 | 12.6 | 100.0 | 516 |
| St. James | 21.0 | 69.6 | 9.4 | 100.0 | 635 |
| Hanover | 23.9 | 70.1 | 6.1 | 100.0 | 541 |
| Westmoreland | 21.5 | 69.5 | 9.0 | 100.0 | 621 |
| St. Elizabeth | 34.3 | 56.4 | 9.3 | 100.0 | 527 |
| Manchester | 29.5 | 55.1 | 15.4 | 100.0 | 668 |
| Clarendon | 35.2 | 54.1 | 10.7 | 100.0 | 649 |
| St. Catherine | 20.9 | 56.6 | 22.5 | 100.0 | 556 |
| Age group |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 24.4 | 71.4 | 4.2 | 100.0 | 1,229 |
| 20-24 | 9.0 | 73.2 | 17.9 | 100.0 | 1,114 |
| 25-29 | 15.0 | 66.3 | 18.7 | 100.0 | 1,350 |
| 30-34 | 21.1 | 61.7 | 17.2 | 100.0 | 1,219 |
| 35-39 | 25.8 | 60.2 | 14.0 | 100.0 | 1,220 |
| 40-44 | 34.0 | 53.4 | 12.6 | 100.0 | 1,083 |
| 45-49 | 42.2 | 47.5 | 10.3 | 100.0 | 1,041 |
| Current relationship status |  |  |  |  |  |
| Married | 23.8 | 53.0 | 23.3 | 100.0 | 1,440 |
| Common law union | 27.9 | 65.6 | 6.6 | 100.0 | 2,157 |
| Visiting relationship | 17.2 | 69.5 | 13.3 | 100.0 | 2,278 |
| Boyfriend with sex | 18.0 | 67.7 | 14.3 | 100.0 | 281 |
| Boyfriend without sex | 18.2 | 68.5 | 13.3 | 100.0 | 197 |
| No steady relationship | 25.6 | 59.9 | 14.4 | 100.0 | 1,903 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 43.1 | 54.3 | 2.5 | 100.0 | 2,000 |
| Second | 27.8 | 67.6 | 4.6 | 100.0 | 1,714 |
| Middle | 19.9 | 71.5 | 8.6 | 100.0 | 1,668 |
| Fourth | 14.9 | 68.2 | 16.9 | 100.0 | 1,650 |
| Highest | 7.7 | 57.3 | 35.0 | 100.0 | 1,224 |

*Excludes 3 women with missing information.

| Table 2.3B <br> Education Level of Men Aged 15-24 Years by Selected Characteristics <br> Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Characteristic | Education Level (in Years)* |  |  | Total | No. of Cases |
|  | 0-9 | 10-12 | 13 or More |  |  |
| Total | 24.1 | 70.6 | 5.2 | 100.0 | 2,761 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 16.4 | 75.6 | 8.0 | 100.0 | 377 |
| Other urban | 22.2 | 71.3 | 6.5 | 100.0 | 756 |
| Rural | 27.6 | 68.7 | 3.6 | 100.0 | 1,628 |
| Health region |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 19.0 | 74.3 | 6.7 | 100.0 | 783 |
| 2 | 21.1 | 74.6 | 4.3 | 100.0 | 551 |
| 3 | 28.0 | 68.9 | 3.1 | 100.0 | 773 |
| 4 | 29.3 | 65.0 | 5.7 | 100.0 | 654 |
| Parish |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston | 17.2 | 79.2 | 3.6 | 100.0 | 207 |
| St. Andrew | 15.8 | 75.9 | 8.2 | 100.0 | 198 |
| St. Thomas | 28.5 | 70.2 | 1.3 | 100.0 | 212 |
| Portland | 30.0 | 64.1 | 5.9 | 100.0 | 182 |
| St. Mary | 15.7 | 79.3 | 5.0 | 100.0 | 186 |
| St. Ann | 20.8 | 76.3 | 2.9 | 100.0 | 183 |
| Trelawny | 19.0 | 72.6 | 8.4 | 100.0 | 170 |
| St. James | 26.2 | 70.9 | 2.8 | 100.0 | 214 |
| Hanover | 26.7 | 70.0 | 3.3 | 100.0 | 181 |
| Westmoreland | 34.0 | 64.6 | 1.4 | 100.0 | 208 |
| St. Elizabeth | 29.7 | 67.3 | 3.1 | 100.0 | 217 |
| Manchester | 27.5 | 64.5 | 8.0 | 100.0 | 235 |
| Clarendon | 31.0 | 63.6 | 5.4 | 100.0 | 202 |
| St. Catherine | 20.8 | 72.2 | 7.0 | 100.0 | 166 |
| Age group |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 30.5 | 67.7 | 1.8 | 100.0 | 1,645 |
| 20-24 | 14.9 | 74.8 | 10.2 | 100.0 | 1,116 |
| Current relationship status |  |  |  |  |  |
| Married/common law union | 14.0 | 81.0 | 5.0 | 100.0 | 161 |
| Visiting relationship | 10.9 | 81.4 | 7.7 | 100.0 | 550 |
| Girlfriend with sex | 16.6 | 76.9 | 6.4 | 100.0 | 827 |
| Girlfriend without sex | 33.9 | 63.8 | 2.3 | 100.0 | 410 |
| No steady relationship | 38.4 | 57.9 | 3.8 | 100.0 | 813 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 39.8 | 57.9 | 2.3 | 100.0 | 628 |
| Second | 27.4 | 69.7 | 2.9 | 100.0 | 619 |
| Middle | 22.3 | 75.4 | 2.4 | 100.0 | 507 |
| Fourth | 14.6 | 77.3 | 8.2 | 100.0 | 535 |
| Highest | 16.0 | 73.2 | 10.8 | 100.0 | 472 |

*Excludes 14 men with missing information.

| Table 2.4A <br> Percentage Distribution of Women Aged 15-49 Years by the Wealth Quintile of Their Households by Selected Characteristics <br> Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Characteristic | Wealth Quintile |  |  |  |  | Total | No. of Cases |
|  | Lowest | Second | Middle | Fourth | Highest |  |  |
| Total | 20.9 | 18.5 | 20.0 | 20.7 | 19.9 | 100.0 | 8,259 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 3.4 | 15.3 | 23.2 | 26.0 | 32.2 | 100.0 | 1,198 |
| Other urban | 15.1 | 14.9 | 19.1 | 24.2 | 26.7 | 100.0 | 2,283 |
| Rural | 34.0 | 23.0 | 19.2 | 15.4 | 8.5 | 100.0 | 4,778 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2 | 28.7 | 20.8 | 23.8 | 16.7 | 10.0 | 100.0 | 1,761 |
| 3 | 22.3 | 20.7 | 21.0 | 22.3 | 13.8 | 100.0 | 2,313 |
| 4 | 34.9 | 19.4 | 18.4 | 15.2 | 12.0 | 100.0 | 1,845 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston | 6.1 | 25.2 | 28.6 | 20.7 | 19.5 | 100.0 | 644 |
| St. Andrew | 3.3 | 14.7 | 23.3 | 26.8 | 31.9 | 100.0 | 636 |
| St. Thomas | 30.3 | 29.1 | 23.3 | 11.9 | 5.4 | 100.0 | 504 |
| Portland | 20.3 | 20.3 | 21.7 | 19.6 | 18.2 | 100.0 | 516 |
| St. Mary | 33.5 | 21.5 | 22.5 | 14.7 | 7.7 | 100.0 | 542 |
| St. Ann | 28.5 | 20.5 | 25.6 | 17.0 | 8.4 | 100.0 | 703 |
| Trelawny | 31.2 | 20.1 | 15.6 | 27.2 | 6.0 | 100.0 | 516 |
| St. James | 15.6 | 21.4 | 26.0 | 18.0 | 19.0 | 100.0 | 635 |
| Hanover | 21.5 | 17.2 | 19.3 | 29.9 | 12.2 | 100.0 | 541 |
| Westmoreland | 25.9 | 21.8 | 18.6 | 21.2 | 12.4 | 100.0 | 621 |
| St. Elizabeth | 40.0 | 20.8 | 18.1 | 14.1 | 7.0 | 100.0 | 528 |
| Manchester | 27.8 | 19.3 | 18.7 | 18.4 | 15.8 | 100.0 | 668 |
| Clarendon | 37.7 | 18.5 | 18.3 | 13.2 | 12.2 | 100.0 | 649 |
| St. Catherine | 17.9 | 14.7 | 13.0 | 22.9 | 31.4 | 100.0 | 556 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 17.9 | 17.2 | 20.7 | 23.3 | 21.0 | 100.0 | 1,229 |
| 20-24 | 20.2 | 20.6 | 20.3 | 17.8 | 21.0 | 100.0 | 1,114 |
| 25-29 | 21.0 | 17.9 | 20.9 | 22.1 | 18.1 | 100.0 | 1,350 |
| 30-34 | 22.2 | 19.0 | 21.3 | 20.5 | 17.1 | 100.0 | 1,219 |
| 35-39 | 23.0 | 19.4 | 17.8 | 19.1 | 20.8 | 100.0 | 1,221 |
| 40-44 | 21.2 | 18.5 | 19.2 | 19.5 | 21.6 | 100.0 | 1,084 |
| 45-49 | 21.8 | 16.0 | 18.5 | 23.2 | 20.5 | 100.0 | 1,042 |
| Current relationship status |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Married | 14.9 | 13.1 | 18.5 | 21.3 | 32.3 | 100.0 | 1,441 |
| Common law union | 26.3 | 23.6 | 21.5 | 16.6 | 12.0 | 100.0 | 2,158 |
| Visiting relationship | 21.6 | 19.4 | 19.8 | 21.0 | 18.2 | 100.0 | 2,279 |
| Boyfriend with sex | 14.8 | 20.8 | 23.5 | 20.2 | 20.7 | 100.0 | 281 |
| Boyfriend without sex | 14.0 | 15.9 | 20.2 | 29.0 | 20.9 | 100.0 | 197 |
| No steady relationship | 20.2 | 15.9 | 19.1 | 22.9 | 21.8 | 100.0 | 1,903 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-9 | 39.6 | 22.6 | 17.5 | 13.6 | 6.8 | 100.0 | 2,183 |
| 10-12 | 17.8 | 19.6 | 22.4 | 22.2 | 18.0 | 100.0 | 5,078 |
| 13 or more | 3.9 | 6.2 | 12.7 | 25.8 | 51.4 | 100.0 | 995 |

*Excludes 3 women with missing information.

| Table 2.4B <br> Percentage Distribution of Men Aged 15-24 Years by the Wealth Quintile of Their Households by Selected Characteristics <br> Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Characteristic | Wealth Quintile |  |  |  |  | Total | $\begin{aligned} & \text { No. of } \\ & \text { Cases } \end{aligned}$ |
|  | Lowest | Second | Middle | Fourth | Highest |  |  |
| Total | 20.4 | 20.1 | 20.6 | 20.2 | 18.7 | 100.0 | 2,775 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 5.5 | 12.7 | 26.3 | 31.2 | 24.3 | 100.0 | 380 |
| Other urban | 12.0 | 16.5 | 21.8 | 22.6 | 27.1 | 100.0 | 759 |
| Rural | 29.9 | 24.5 | 18.2 | 15.5 | 11.9 | 100.0 | 1,636 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 10.0 | 18.1 | 25.2 | 22.6 | 24.1 | 100.0 | 789 |
| 2 | 29.3 | 18.2 | 18.4 | 19.3 | 14.8 | 100.0 | 552 |
| 3 | 19.2 | 24.9 | 17.8 | 22.4 | 15.7 | 100.0 | 775 |
| 4 | 31.9 | 19.1 | 18.0 | 15.1 | 15.9 | 100.0 | 659 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston | 8.7 | 25.7 | 25.8 | 27.1 | 12.6 | 100.0 | 209 |
| St. Andrew | 5.3 | 12.5 | 25.3 | 30.9 | 26.0 | 100.0 | 201 |
| St. Thomas | 29.8 | 36.9 | 11.8 | 14.3 | 7.2 | 100.0 | 212 |
| Portland | 26.8 | 15.7 | 19.7 | 20.9 | 17.0 | 100.0 | 182 |
| St. Mary | 31.4 | 26.3 | 16.5 | 17.4 | 8.5 | 100.0 | 186 |
| St. Ann | 29.0 | 13.0 | 19.3 | 19.9 | 18.8 | 100.0 | 184 |
| Trelawny | 24.9 | 25.3 | 20.1 | 17.5 | 12.2 | 100.0 | 170 |
| St. James | 12.7 | 16.8 | 21.2 | 29.4 | 19.8 | 100.0 | 215 |
| Hanover | 19.5 | 29.5 | 17.0 | 19.2 | 14.8 | 100.0 | 181 |
| Westmoreland | 24.4 | 31.8 | 13.4 | 17.8 | 12.7 | 100.0 | 209 |
| St. Elizabeth | 38.8 | 14.3 | 20.4 | 14.9 | 11.6 | 100.0 | 217 |
| Manchester | 28.0 | 17.0 | 14.8 | 17.0 | 23.3 | 100.0 | 236 |
| Clarendon | 30.2 | 25.5 | 19.5 | 13.2 | 11.7 | 100.0 | 206 |
| St. Catherine | 11.3 | 18.6 | 27.7 | 14.5 | 27.9 | 100.0 | 167 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 20.7 | 21.7 | 21.2 | 17.6 | 18.8 | 100.0 | 1,652 |
| 20-24 | 20.0 | 17.8 | 19.7 | 24.1 | 18.4 | 100.0 | 1,123 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Married/common law union | 19.4 | 15.8 | 29.9 | 17.5 | 17.4 | 100.0 | 162 |
| Visiting relationship | 13.4 | 19.9 | 21.4 | 25.1 | 20.1 | 100.0 | 554 |
| Girlfriend with sex | 19.4 | 19.7 | 21.3 | 19.5 | 20.1 | 100.0 | 829 |
| Girlfriend without sex | 16.2 | 21.9 | 21.1 | 20.5 | 20.3 | 100.0 | 410 |
| No steady relationship | 29.1 | 20.5 | 17.3 | 17.8 | 15.4 | 100.0 | 820 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $0-9$ | 33.6 | 22.9 | 18.9 | 12.2 | 12.4 | 100.0 | 687 |
| 10-12 | 16.7 | 19.9 | 21.8 | 22.1 | 19.4 | 100.0 | 1,944 |
| 13 or more | 8.9 | 11.1 | 9.3 | 31.7 | 38.9 | 100.0 | 130 |

*Excludes 14 men with missing information.

|  | Table 2.5A <br> Employment Status among Women Aged 15-49 Years by Selected Characteristics <br> Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Characteristic | Employed | Unemployed | Employm | Status Student | At Home, not <br> keeping <br> house | $\begin{gathered} \text { Incapable of } \\ \text { working } \end{gathered}$ | Total | $\begin{aligned} & \text { No. of } \\ & \text { Cases } \end{aligned}$ |
| Total | 43.5 | 13.4 | 21.9 | 15.0 | 5.8 | 0.5 | 100.0 | 8,259 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 50.9 | 8.2 | 18.7 | 17.8 | 4.4 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 1,198 |
| Other urban | 48.5 | 13.0 | 19.6 | 13.8 | 4.6 | 0.5 | 100.0 | 2,283 |
| Rural | 35.8 | 16.2 | 25.2 | 14.6 | 7.6 | 0.7 | 100.0 | 4,778 |
| Health region |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2 | 36.0 | 24.4 | 19.3 | 15.0 | 3.6 | 1.7 | 100.0 | 1,761 |
| 3 | 42.4 | 9.8 | 26.4 | 14.2 | 6.8 | 0.5 | 100.0 | 2,313 |
| 4 | 35.6 | 15.8 | 30.3 | 12.9 | 4.9 | 0.4 | 100.0 | 1,845 |
| Parish |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston | 50.7 | 7.4 | 22.4 | 14.0 | 5.1 | 0.4 | 100.0 | 644 |
| St. Andrew | 49.5 | 8.9 | 15.7 | 18.9 | 7.0 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 636 |
| St. Thomas | 38.1 | 25.2 | 18.4 | 12.1 | 3.6 | 2.6 | 100.0 | 504 |
| Portland | 32.9 | 22.1 | 28.9 | 12.2 | 3.8 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 516 |
| St. Mary | 37.1 | 29.8 | 15.9 | 13.8 | 2.6 | 0.8 | 100.0 | 542 |
| St. Ann | 36.5 | 21.2 | 17.9 | 17.0 | 4.4 | 3.1 | 100.0 | 703 |
| Trelawny | 35.6 | 6.8 | 35.5 | 12.2 | 8.2 | 1.7 | 100.0 | 516 |
| St. James | 47.9 | 10.2 | 27.9 | 11.8 | 1.9 | 0.2 | 100.0 | 635 |
| Hanover | 39.2 | 9.2 | 8.0 | 19.9 | 23.3 | 0.3 | 100.0 | 541 |
| Westmoreland | 40.9 | 11.1 | 28.6 | 15.1 | 4.0 | 0.3 | 100.0 | 621 |
| St. Elizabeth | 33.1 | 8.0 | 38.4 | 12.0 | 8.5 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 528 |
| Manchester | 38.4 | 18.3 | 25.3 | 15.0 | 2.8 | 0.2 | 100.0 | 668 |
| Clarendon | 35.0 | 19.2 | 28.9 | 11.7 | 4.3 | 0.9 | 100.0 | 649 |
| St. Catherine | 51.1 | 11.3 | 16.3 | 14.7 | 6.5 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 556 |
| Age group |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 7.1 | 11.1 | 8.4 | 64.3 | 8.8 | 0.3 | 100.0 | 1,229 |
| 20-24 | 34.3 | 21.5 | 22.6 | 11.5 | 9.4 | 0.6 | 100.0 | 1,114 |
| 25-29 | 53.3 | 14.8 | 23.0 | 4.2 | 4.3 | 0.4 | 100.0 | 1,350 |
| 30-34 | 55.2 | 13.2 | 25.7 | 2.4 | 2.7 | 0.7 | 100.0 | 1,219 |
| 35-39 | 57.2 | 11.4 | 24.0 | 0.9 | 6.2 | 0.2 | 100.0 | 1,221 |
| 40-44 | 56.8 | 11.3 | 27.7 | 0.2 | 3.3 | 0.6 | 100.0 | 1,084 |
| 45-49 | 59.2 | 7.0 | 28.8 | 0.6 | 3.8 | 0.6 | 100.0 | 1,042 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Married | 61.0 | 6.9 | 25.8 | 2.2 | 3.8 | 0.3 | 100.0 | 1,441 |
| Common law union | 46.6 | 15.2 | 31.5 | 1.8 | 4.6 | 0.4 | 100.0 | 2,158 |
| Visiting relationship | 46.4 | 16.9 | 22.9 | 6.7 | 6.7 | 0.4 | 100.0 | 2,279 |
| Boyfriend with sex | 28.8 | 13.7 | 8.6 | 43.7 | 5.2 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 281 |
| Boyfriend without sex | 11.6 | 11.1 | 6.4 | 67.0 | 4.1 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 197 |
| No steady relationship | 32.5 | 11.5 | 13.4 | 34.2 | 7.4 | 0.9 | 100.0 | 1,903 |
| Education level (in years)* |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-9 | 36.0 | 11.0 | 28.9 | 16.6 | 6.5 | 1.1 | 100.0 | 2,183 |
| 10-12 | 41.3 | 15.3 | 22.8 | 14.3 | 6.1 | 0.3 | 100.0 | 5,078 |
| 13 or more | 66.3 | 8.7 | 5.6 | 15.5 | 3.7 | 0.2 | 100.0 | 995 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 26.7 | 19.6 | 35.4 | 10.0 | 7.4 | 1.0 | 100.0 | 2,001 |
| Second | 39.9 | 16.2 | 26.0 | 10.3 | 7.1 | 0.4 | 100.0 | 1,716 |
| Middle | 44.4 | 14.2 | 20.9 | 15.1 | 4.8 | 0.5 | 100.0 | 1,668 |
| Fourth | 48.7 | 10.5 | 16.9 | 18.7 | 4.8 | 0.5 | 100.0 | 1,650 |
| Highest | 57.9 | 6.6 | 10.0 | 20.4 | 5.1 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 1,224 |

[^1]| Table 2.5B <br> Employment Status of Men Aged 15-24 Years <br> by Selected Characteristics <br> Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Characteristic | Employment Status |  |  |  |  |  | Total | No. of Cases |
|  | Employed | Unemployed | Keeping House | Student | At Home, Not Keeping House | Incapable of Working |  |  |
| Total | 35.8 | 19.7 | 0.7 | 38.3 | 5.1 | 0.3 | 100.0 | 2,775 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 36.6 | 17.8 | 0.0 | 40.5 | 5.1 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 380 |
| Other urban | 36.0 | 18.5 | 0.7 | 41.3 | 3.6 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 759 |
| Rural | 35.4 | 21.1 | 1.0 | 35.8 | 6.0 | 0.6 | 100.0 | 1,636 |
| Health region <br> 1 | 35.9 | 17.9 | 0.2 | 40.4 | 5.6 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 789 |
| 2 | 31.4 | 22.1 | 2.5 | 37.1 | 6.5 | 0.3 | 100.0 | 552 |
| 3 | 43.3 | 19.8 | 0.5 | 33.0 | 2.9 | 0.5 | 100.0 | 775 |
| 4 | 30.3 | 21.1 | 0.9 | 41.1 | 5.9 | 0.7 | 100.0 | 659 |
| Parish |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston | 38.0 | 16.7 | 0.2 | 34.3 | 10.9 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 209 |
| St. Andrew | 37.3 | 15.7 | 0.0 | 40.2 | 6.9 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 201 |
| St. Thomas | 32.1 | 15.8 | 0.8 | 41.0 | 10.3 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 212 |
| Portland | 24.0 | 28.4 | 1.9 | 34.4 | 11.1 | 0.3 | 100.0 | 182 |
| St. Mary | 35.9 | 22.0 | 1.4 | 34.2 | 5.7 | 0.8 | 100.0 | 186 |
| St. Ann | 31.7 | 18.9 | 3.7 | 40.9 | 4.8 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 184 |
| Trelawny | 39.6 | 18.2 | 0.9 | 37.3 | 1.6 | 2.4 | 100.0 | 170 |
| St. James | 42.8 | 19.6 | 0.5 | 33.6 | 3.5 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 215 |
| Hanover | 42.4 | 19.2 | 0.5 | 36.4 | 1.2 | 0.4 | 100.0 | 181 |
| Westmoreland | 45.9 | 20.9 | 0.3 | 29.0 | 3.7 | 0.4 | 100.0 | 209 |
| St. Elizabeth | 39.4 | 17.7 | 0.3 | 34.1 | 7.0 | 1.5 | 100.0 | 217 |
| Manchester | 28.0 | 17.3 | 0.2 | 51.4 | 3.1 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 236 |
| Clarendon | 24.8 | 28.2 | 2.2 | 36.0 | 8.2 | 0.6 | 100.0 | 206 |
| St. Catherine | 34.7 | 21.0 | 0.2 | 42.0 | 2.1 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 167 |
| Age group |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 15.5 | 16.6 | 0.9 | 60.3 | 6.4 | 0.3 | 100.0 | 1,652 |
| 20-24 | 65.2 | 24.4 | 0.5 | 6.4 | 3.2 | 0.3 | 100.0 | 1,123 |
| Current relationship status |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Married/common law union | 81.0 | 15.9 | 0.4 | 0.6 | 2.1 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 162 |
| Visiting relationship | 64.2 | 19.1 | 0.4 | 11.7 | 4.5 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 554 |
| Girlfriend with sex | 34.5 | 25.3 | 1.1 | 33.7 | 5.4 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 829 |
| Girlfriend without sex | 16.6 | 10.9 | 0.9 | 67.9 | 3.6 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 410 |
| No steady relationship | 18.4 | 19.9 | 0.5 | 53.4 | 6.7 | 1.0 | 100.0 | 820 |
| Education level (in years)* |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-9 | 22.7 | 13.1 | 0.5 | 56.8 | 5.9 | 1.0 | 100.0 | 687 |
| 10-12 | 40.5 | 22.0 | 0.8 | 31.7 | 5.0 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 1,944 |
| 13 or more | 33.9 | 19.9 | 1.3 | 42.6 | 2.3 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 130 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 34.1 | 24.5 | 1.3 | 33.4 | 6.1 | 0.6 | 100.0 | 632 |
| Second | 35.0 | 18.7 | 1.3 | 37.8 | 6.8 | 0.4 | 100.0 | 620 |
| Middle | 33.4 | 22.4 | 0.1 | 40.0 | 3.8 | 0.3 | 100.0 | 512 |
| Fourth | 40.9 | 18.4 | 0.4 | 36.6 | 3.3 | 0.3 | 100.0 | 538 |
| Highest | 35.5 | 14.1 | 0.6 | 43.9 | 5.8 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 473 |

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[^3]| Table 2.6B <br> Frequency of Church Attendance among Men Aged 15-24 Years by Selected Characteristics <br> Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Characteristic | Frequency of Church Attendance |  |  |  |  | Total | No. of Cases |
|  | At Least Once a Week | At Least Once a Month | Less Than Once a Month | On Special Occasions | Never |  |  |
| Total | 19.8 | 13.0 | 15.6 | 30.6 | 20.9 | 100.0 | 2,760 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 12.2 | 10.6 | 14.3 | 46.5 | 16.4 | 100.0 | 376 |
| Other urban | 23.4 | 13.0 | 13.9 | 29.8 | 19.8 | 100.0 | 758 |
| Rural | 20.0 | 13.8 | 16.9 | 26.3 | 22.9 | 100.0 | 1,626 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 17.1 | 14.4 | 16.4 | 35.0 | 17.1 | 100.0 | 783 |
| 2 | 21.9 | 16.1 | 16.0 | 24.4 | 21.6 | 100.0 | 551 |
| 3 | 16.5 | 8.3 | 12.6 | 28.1 | 34.4 | 100.0 | 768 |
| 4 | 26.1 | 14.2 | 17.2 | 30.2 | 12.3 | 100.0 | 658 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston | 10.1 | 7.4 | 10.2 | 44.4 | 27.8 | 100.0 | 207 |
| St. Andrew | 15.7 | 12.5 | 14.3 | 42.5 | 14.9 | 100.0 | 199 |
| St. Thomas | 23.5 | 15.6 | 10.1 | 33.2 | 17.5 | 100.0 | 212 |
| Portland | 25.8 | 13.4 | 8.2 | 35.6 | 17.1 | 100.0 | 182 |
| St. Mary | 13.5 | 9.4 | 13.4 | 27.5 | 36.3 | 100.0 | 186 |
| St. Ann | 26.7 | 23.0 | 22.3 | 16.0 | 12.0 | 100.0 | 183 |
| Trelawny | 27.3 | 9.0 | 13.0 | 35.4 | 15.3 | 100.0 | 170 |
| St. James | 18.9 | 4.9 | 16.1 | 26.2 | 33.9 | 100.0 | 213 |
| Hanover | 16.4 | 11.3 | 12.9 | 21.8 | 37.6 | 100.0 | 177 |
| Westmoreland | 9.7 | 10.4 | 8.3 | 31.0 | 40.7 | 100.0 | 208 |
| St. Elizabeth | 17.5 | 11.7 | 22.4 | 32.6 | 15.7 | 100.0 | 217 |
| Manchester | 29.2 | 12.5 | 17.7 | 29.0 | 11.7 | 100.0 | 236 |
| Clarendon | 30.3 | 18.3 | 12.1 | 29.4 | 9.8 | 100.0 | 205 |
| St. Catherine | 18.8 | 17.8 | 21.3 | 25.2 | 16.9 | 100.0 | 165 |
| Age group |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 25.3 | 16.2 | 17.1 | 23.8 | 17.6 | 100.0 | 1,645 |
| 20-24 | 11.8 | 8.4 | 13.4 | 40.6 | 25.7 | 100.0 | 1,115 |
| Current relationship status |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Married/common law union | 7.6 | 7.3 | 15.3 | 43.7 | 26.1 | 100.0 | 162 |
| Visiting relationship | 10.5 | 10.7 | 14.4 | 41.0 | 23.3 | 100.0 | 550 |
| Girlfriend with sex | 15.9 | 13.3 | 17.0 | 35.1 | 18.8 | 100.0 | 822 |
| Girlfriend without sex | 29.7 | 17.9 | 21.3 | 17.1 | 14.0 | 100.0 | 409 |
| No steady relationship | 27.7 | 13.0 | 11.9 | 23.4 | 24.2 | 100.0 | 817 |
| Education level (in years)* |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-9 | 21.5 | 13.9 | 15.7 | 24.3 | 24.5 | 100.0 | 681 |
| 10-12 | 19.2 | 12.5 | 15.8 | 32.1 | 20.3 | 100.0 | 1,936 |
| 13 or more | 20.1 | 16.2 | 10.7 | 40.8 | 12.2 | 100.0 | 129 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 19.0 | 8.7 | 11.8 | 30.3 | 30.2 | 100.0 | 627 |
| Second | 17.2 | 15.3 | 14.0 | 28.5 | 25.0 | 100.0 | 615 |
| Middle | 19.3 | 14.4 | 15.8 | 32.1 | 18.4 | 100.0 | 512 |
| Fourth | 18.0 | 11.9 | 18.0 | 35.1 | 17.0 | 100.0 | 537 |
| Highest | 26.3 | 15.1 | 18.6 | 26.8 | 13.2 | 100.0 | 469 |

*Excludes 14 men with missing information.

| Table 2.7A <br> Number of Children Born Alive among Women Aged 15-49 Years by Selected Characteristics <br> Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Characteristic | No. of Children Born Alive |  |  |  |  | Total | No. of Cases |
|  | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 or More |  |  |
| Total | 33.0 | 21.6 | 17.7 | 12.0 | 15.7 | 100.0 | 8,259 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 37.7 | 24.6 | 17.3 | 10.3 | 10.1 | 100.0 | 1,198 |
| Other urban | 33.3 | 22.3 | 18.5 | 12.5 | 13.5 | 100.0 | 2,283 |
| Rural | 30.6 | 19.6 | 17.1 | 12.5 | 20.2 | 100.0 | 4,778 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 36.6 | 23.1 | 17.7 | 11.4 | 11.2 | 100.0 | 2,340 |
| 2 | 31.1 | 19.3 | 17.0 | 12.9 | 19.8 | 100.0 | 1,761 |
| 3 | 31.0 | 21.5 | 17.8 | 11.5 | 18.2 | 100.0 | 2,313 |
| 4 | 28.5 | 20.0 | 17.8 | 13.3 | 20.4 | 100.0 | 1,845 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston | 31.2 | 18.2 | 20.8 | 13.8 | 16.1 | 100.0 | 644 |
| St. Andrew | 38.5 | 26.0 | 16.6 | 9.5 | 9.5 | 100.0 | 636 |
| St. Thomas | 26.5 | 18.8 | 24.1 | 12.7 | 17.9 | 100.0 | 504 |
| Portland | 26.6 | 19.7 | 17.7 | 14.4 | 21.7 | 100.0 | 516 |
| St. Mary | 28.9 | 21.8 | 16.6 | 11.3 | 21.5 | 100.0 | 542 |
| St. Ann | 34.7 | 17.1 | 17.1 | 13.4 | 17.6 | 100.0 | 703 |
| Trelawny | 26.1 | 21.8 | 14.9 | 12.4 | 24.8 | 100.0 | 516 |
| St. James | 27.8 | 23.2 | 19.2 | 11.8 | 18.1 | 100.0 | 635 |
| Hanover | 41.9 | 18.2 | 16.7 | 7.8 | 15.4 | 100.0 | 541 |
| Westmoreland | 32.2 | 20.8 | 18.3 | 12.5 | 16.3 | 100.0 | 621 |
| St. Elizabeth | 25.7 | 26.2 | 19.0 | 11.3 | 17.8 | 100.0 | 528 |
| Manchester | 31.2 | 16.3 | 18.7 | 13.7 | 20.2 | 100.0 | 668 |
| Clarendon | 28.1 | 18.9 | 16.0 | 14.5 | 22.6 | 100.0 | 649 |
| St. Catherine | 37.2 | 21.8 | 17.4 | 12.6 | 11.1 | 100.0 | 556 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 89.2 | 9.6 | 1.1 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 1,229 |
| 20-24 | 47.6 | 36.7 | 11.9 | 3.2 | 0.7 | 100.0 | 1,114 |
| 25-29 | 24.5 | 33.5 | 25.4 | 9.8 | 6.8 | 100.0 | 1,350 |
| 30-34 | 14.3 | 25.1 | 24.2 | 18.1 | 18.4 | 100.0 | 1,219 |
| 35-39 | 9.7 | 17.3 | 23.6 | 22.4 | 26.9 | 100.0 | 1,221 |
| 40-44 | 7.0 | 11.6 | 23.8 | 19.9 | 37.7 | 100.0 | 1,084 |
| 45-49 | 7.8 | 11.2 | 20.2 | 19.8 | 41.0 | 100.0 | 1,042 |
| Current relationship status |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Married | 8.2 | 15.7 | 30.5 | 20.8 | 24.8 | 100.0 | 1,441 |
| Common law union | 14.4 | 25.2 | 23.1 | 15.8 | 21.5 | 100.0 | 2,158 |
| Visiting relationship | 29.1 | 30.4 | 17.1 | 9.5 | 13.9 | 100.0 | 2,279 |
| No steady relationship | 61.8 | 13.1 | 8.3 | 7.7 | 9.0 | 100.0 | 2,381 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-9 | 24.3 | 10.0 | 15.3 | 15.8 | 34.6 | 100.0 | 2,183 |
| 10-12 | 33.5 | 24.9 | 18.6 | 11.4 | 11.6 | 100.0 | 5,078 |
| 13 or more | 45.3 | 25.5 | 17.2 | 8.7 | 3.3 | 100.0 | 995 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 21.4 | 15.0 | 17.2 | 13.4 | 32.9 | 100.0 | 2,001 |
| Second | 26.8 | 20.5 | 17.5 | 16.1 | 19.1 | 100.0 | 1,716 |
| Middle | 30.9 | 22.6 | 19.3 | 12.7 | 14.4 | 100.0 | 1,668 |
| Fourth | 40.3 | 26.1 | 15.6 | 10.0 | 7.9 | 100.0 | 1,650 |
| Highest | 45.6 | 23.8 | 18.7 | 8.1 | 3.9 | 100.0 | 1,224 |

*Excludes 3 women with missing information.

| Table 2.7B <br> Number of Children Born Alive among Men Aged 15-24 Years by Selected Characteristics Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Characteristic | No. of Children Born Alive |  |  | Total | No. of Cases |
|  | 0 | 1 | 2 or More |  |  |
| Total | 93.3 | 5.1 | 1.6 | 100.0 | 2,772 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 92.1 | 6.5 | 1.3 | 100.0 | 379 |
| Other urban | 93.3 | 3.9 | 2.8 | 100.0 | 759 |
| Rural | 93.6 | 5.4 | 0.9 | 100.0 | 1,634 |
| Health region |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 93.2 | 4.4 | 2.4 | 100.0 | 788 |
| 2 | 92.0 | 6.3 | 1.7 | 100.0 | 552 |
| 3 | 93.5 | 5.0 | 1.6 | 100.0 | 774 |
| 4 | 94.0 | 5.6 | 0.4 | 100.0 | 658 |
| Parish |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston | 91.4 | 7.0 | 1.6 | 100.0 | 209 |
| St. Andrew | 91.7 | 7.2 | 1.0 | 100.0 | 200 |
| St. Thomas | 92.2 | 4.9 | 2.9 | 100.0 | 212 |
| Portland | 94.5 | 4.5 | 1.0 | 100.0 | 182 |
| St. Mary | 86.7 | 10.1 | 3.2 | 100.0 | 186 |
| St. Ann | 95.0 | 4.2 | 0.8 | 100.0 | 184 |
| Trelawny | 91.9 | 6.7 | 1.4 | 100.0 | 169 |
| St. James | 93.5 | 5.1 | 1.4 | 100.0 | 215 |
| Hanover | 91.1 | 5.4 | 3.5 | 100.0 | 181 |
| Westmoreland | 95.2 | 3.9 | 0.9 | 100.0 | 209 |
| St. Elizabeth | 96.4 | 3.6 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 216 |
| Manchester | 91.6 | 8.1 | 0.4 | 100.0 | 236 |
| Clarendon | 94.5 | 4.7 | 0.8 | 100.0 | 206 |
| St. Catherine | 95.3 | 0.8 | 3.9 | 100.0 | 167 |
| Age group |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 99.0 | 0.9 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 1,652 |
| 20-24 | 84.9 | 11.2 | 3.9 | 100.0 | 1,120 |
| Current relationship status |  |  |  |  |  |
| Married/common law union | 47.1 | 33.0 | 20.0 | 100.0 | 161 |
| Visiting relationship | 85.6 | 12.6 | 1.8 | 100.0 | 552 |
| Girffriend with sex | 98.0 | 1.7 | 0.3 | 100.0 | 829 |
| Girfriend without sex | 99.9 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 410 |
| No steady relationship | 98.9 | 0.8 | 0.3 | 100.0 | 820 |
| Education level (in years)* |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-9 | 96.5 | 2.9 | 0.6 | 100.0 | 686 |
| 10-12 | 92.4 | 5.5 | 2.0 | 100.0 | 1,942 |
| 13 or more | 89.9 | 9.9 | 0.2 | 100.0 | 130 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 94.3 | 4.5 | 1.2 | 100.0 | 631 |
| Second | 93.7 | 5.4 | 0.9 | 100.0 | 619 |
| Middle | 91.5 | 5.2 | 3.3 | 100.0 | 512 |
| Fourth | 92.0 | 6.4 | 1.7 | 100.0 | 538 |
| Highest | 95.2 | 4.1 | 0.7 | 100.0 | 472 |

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## Chapter 3

## Fertility and Fertility-Related Factors

One objective of the RHS was to assess current levels and trends of fertility and pregnancy experiences and to identify factors that might influence reproductive behaviors. To obtain information about reproductive patterns, the survey included detailed information about childbearing, pregnancies resulting in other outcomes, the planning status of all pregnancies in the last five years, and desired family size and fertility preferences. All survey-based statistics regarding pregnancy experiences were derived from a complete lifetime pregnancy history, which consisted of information about all births, stillbirths, abortions, and other fetal losses. For each pregnancy event, the result of the pregnancy, the month and year of pregnancy outcome, and the duration were recorded. Information was collected about the most recent completed pregnancy, then the next-to-last, etc. For each live birth, information was collected on the sex of the child, survival status of the child, and age at death if the child did not survive. Information was also collected as to whether the woman was pregnant at the time of the survey, the gestational age of the current pregnancy, and the planning status at the time of becoming pregnant with the current pregnancy.

Information was also collected on the proximate determinants of fertility, including: onset of menstruation, sexual experience and sexual activity, age at first marriage (union), durations of postpartum amenorrhea and postpartum abstinence, both of which affect the length of time a woman is insusceptible to pregnancy, and the onset of menopause. Except for the use of family planning methods (presented in Chapter 6), this chapter addresses all of the determinants that are largely responsible for the length and intensity of exposure to the risk of pregnancy.

### 3.1 Fertility Levels, Trends, and Differentials

Traditionally, fertility analyses using Jamaican RHS data have been performed in terms of age-specific and total fertility rates (Table 3.1.1). The total fertility rate (TFR) is computed by accumulating the age-specific fertility rates (ASFRs) in each age group and multiplying the sum by five (the number of year-exposures in each group). The TFR is thus defined as the average number of live births a woman would have during her reproductive lifetime (age 15-49 years) if she experienced the currently observed ASFRs. Numerators for the ASFRs were calculated by selecting live births that occurred during 2 -year periods preceding the survey and grouping them (in 5 -year age groups) by the age of the mother at the time of pregnancy outcome (calculated from the mother's reported date of birth). ASFR denominators represent the number of
woman-years lived by mothers in each specified 5-year age group during the same 2-year period.

The TFR of 2.4 births per woman in Jamaica for 2006-2008 was lower than in the previous RHS surveys, but still above the replacement level fertility level of 2.1 births per woman (Figure 3.1.1). The interpretation of this figure is that, on average, a woman in Jamaica who is at the beginning of her childbearing years will have 2.4 children by the end of her reproductive period if fertility levels remain constant at the level observed in the 2-year period preceding the survey.

Figure 3.1.1
Total Fertility Rates in Jamaica, 1975-2008


ASFRs for the period 2006-2008 are also shown in Table 3.1.1 and Figure 3.1.2. Jamaican women initiate childbearing at an early age; the highest fertility levels are among 20- to 24 -year-old, 25 - to 29 -year-old, and 30 - to 34 -year-old women, accounting for $26 \%, 19.8 \%$ and $20.2 \%$, respectively, of the TFR. Fertility among adolescent women ( 72 births per 1,000 women aged 15-19 years) is the fourth highest, contributing $15 \%$ to the TFR. Women aged 35-39 and 40-44 make smaller contributions to total fertility; their ASFRs account for only $11 \%$ and $7 \%$, respectively, of overall fertility.

Using data from fertility, contraceptive prevalence and reproductive health surveys, age-specific fertility trends in Jamaica can be compared across seven 2-year periods (Table 3.1.1 and Figure 3.1.2). Compared to rates during the previous 2 -year period (2000-2002), fertility declines in 2006-2008 were hardly significant. The only notable decline was in the 25-29 age-group, a 20\% decline. There was a $9 \%$ decline in adolescent fertility, practically no change in fertility of women aged 20-24 years, and a slight increase in the fertility of women aged $30-34$ years. The
changes in fertility among women aged 35 or older, whose contribution to the overall fertility is low, has been uneven.

Figure 3.1.2
Age-Specific Fertility Rates for Seven Time Periods All Women Aged 15-49 Years: Jamaica 1975-2008


Looking back beyond the most recent 2 surveys, however, the changes in fertility have been substantial and driven almost exclusively by fertility declines among young women. Between 1983 and 2008, for example, the adolescent fertility rate had dropped by $41 \%$ and fertility of women aged $20-24$ and $25-29$ declined by $35 \%$ and $29 \%$, respectively. From these point estimates, it can reasonably be concluded that most of the young women's fertility rates declined in the 1980s, plateaued in the early and mid-1990s, after which they started to drop again at a much slower pace into the early and mid-2000s.

As shown in Table 3.1.2, fertility among women living in Kingston Metropolitan Area (1.9 births per woman) and other urban areas ( 2.3 births per woman) was substantially lower than among rural-dwelling women ( 2.7 births per woman) in the 2 -year period preceding the interview. Fertility was higher among rural residents at any given ages, except among women aged 40-44 years. Most of the difference between rural and urban fertility rates was due to higher ASFRs among rural residents aged 20-24 years and, to a lesser extent, to higher rates among women aged 25-34 years.

By region, fertility rates were the lowest in Health Region 1, which includes Kingston (2.1 births per woman); fertility was the highest in Health Region 4 ( 2.7 births per woman. The highest adolescent ASFR was reported by residents of the St. James and Westmoreland parishes, which are included in Health Region 3 (121 and 116 births per 1,000 women aged 15-19, respectively).

In accordance with patterns observed in most other countries, a large negative association between fertility and education was observed. The TFR among the highest educated women was less than half the level observed among women with the lowest education attainment (1.6 vs. 3.4 births per woman). Fertility differences according to education were more pronounced among younger women. Generally, peak fertility occurred at ages 30-34 among women with the highest educational attainment, whereas peak fertility among women with lower educational levels occurred at ages 20-24. The largest fertility gap was observed between adolescent women with the highest education levels, whose fertility was 12 times lower than of those with only 0-9 years of schooling (12 vs. 140 births per 1,000),

Similarly, a negative association between wealth and fertility was observed-women living in households within the two wealthiest quintiles reported half of the fertility rates of women in the poorest households (1.8 and 1.3 births per woman, respectively, vs. 3.5 births per woman) (Figure 3.1.3). Having the lowest household wealth was associated with the highest rates among the ASFRs that contribute the most to the total fertility rate.

Figure 3.1.3
Two-Year-Period Age-Specific Fertility Rates by the Wealth Quintile of the Household: Jamaica, 2008


Table 3.1.3 examines the extent of childlessness by current age in Jamaica. Overall, 33.0\% of women in 2008 reported they have never given birth. As expected, the percentage of childless women decreases with increasing age, because of longer exposure to the risk of pregnancy. Women living in the Kingston Metropolitan Area (37.7\%) were more likely to report childlessness than rural women ( $30.6 \%$ ) at any given age group. Within each age group, the percentage of childless women also rose with the number of years of schooling and the wealth status of the household. Generally, the percentages fell with decreasing frequency of attendance at church services and this effect was observed in most age groups.

### 3.2 Teenage Pregnancy

Teenage pregnancy rates, defined as the sum of live births, abortions, and fetal deaths per 1000 women aged 15-19 years, are an important public health problem in Jamaica. Because data on abortions and miscarriages are underreported in surveys, most of what is known about adolescent pregnancy in Jamaica is limited to teenage births. Adolescent mothers are more likely to have unintended pregnancies, low use of antenatal health care services, low birth weight, prematurity, and complications during labor and postpartum, which lead to higher morbidity and mortality for themselves and their children. Given their high rates of unintendedness, it is likely that some adolescents may terminate a pregnancy before term. Preventing teenage pregnancy through education, behavioral change, and quality services for youths has been one of the priority areas of focus for the Jamaican family planning program and donor agencies.

Table 3.2 shows the percentage of women age 15-19 who were pregnant with their first pregnancy at the time of the RHS, the percentage who reported they had at least one completed pregnancy at the time of the interview, and the percentage who initiated motherhood (i.e. had at least one live birth). It is important to note these rates were calculated among the entire population of adolescent women and represent conservative estimates. First, some women who had pregnancies that ended in induced abortion choose to omit these outcomes for fear of self-incrimination; second, some adolescents who had never been in union may have not reported sexual debut; and third, some teens, especially those very young, were not sexually experienced and therefore not at risk of becoming pregnant, but they were included in the denominators of the rates.

Overall, $14.6 \%$ of adolescent women have ever been pregnant, including $2.9 \%$ who were currently pregnant for the first time. About one in ten (10.8\%) teenagers has already given birth. As expected, the proportion of young women who have ever been pregnant or have ever gave birth increases rapidly with age, from $4.0 \%$ and $1.7 \%$, respectively, among women aged 15 , to $9.1 \%$ and $4.2 \%$, respectively, of women aged 17 , and to $29.5 \%$ and $24.8 \%$, respectively, of women age 19.

The same factors that influence higher fertility rates in general have been associated with higher rates of pregnancy among teenagers. With regards to residence, about twice as many young women in rural areas or in urban areas than in Kingston Metropolitan Area have begun childbearing. Teenagers in the Health Region 3 reported the highest pregnancy and fertility rates. The proportion of teenage pregnancy decreased significantly with educational attainment, and the wealth status of the households; teenagers in the highest wealth quintiles were the least likely to have ever been pregnant or have a child during their teenage years.

It is worth noting that the proportion of adolescents who reported ever having had sexual intercourse had declined for both women and men (see also Chapter 12). Further, the rates of
contraceptive use (mostly condoms) among sexually active teens had increased. Despite these trends, one in seven young women had at least one pregnancy before reaching the age of 20.

### 3.3 Age at Menarche and Sexual Experience

The age at menarche (first menstruation) has a positive effect on fertility since it represents the beginning of the time interval during which women could become pregnant. All women were asked "how old were [they] when the first period started;" this information was used to calculate the mean age at menarche. In Jamaica, like elsewhere, the average age at first menstrual period had gradually declined in recent times by more than one year, from age 14 in 1989, to age 13.2 in 1997, to age 12.9 in 2002. Most theories recognize that the downward trend in the age at first menstrual period is multi-factorial, with heredity, improvements in nutrition, and better health status being among the most important factors.

Table 3.3.1 and Figure 3.3 .1 show the mean age at which Jamaican women had started to menstruate, classified by the current age. Comparisons with results from previous reproductive health and contraceptive prevalence surveys show a substantial decline in the mean age at menarche between 1989 and 2008 among all age cohorts. Further, among women interviewed at the same point in time, older cohorts consistently exhibit older ages at menarche than younger cohorts.


Similar to previous surveys, the age of onset of puberty in 2008 was associated with the level of education and the socio-economic status of the household, probably because better living
conditions, proper nutrition, smaller families and improved general health associated with higher education and wealth levels may induce an earlier growth spurt. In addition, younger women tend to stay longer in school and younger cohorts reported lower age at menarche in all surveys.

Early menarche had been associated with early dating onset and early sexual debut. Encouragingly, despite the declining mean age of menarche in Jamaica, there is a recent shift toward postponement of the age at first intercourse among adolescent girls, particularly among those ages 15-17 years, indirectly reflected in the proportion of sexually experienced teenagers (Figure 3.3.2).

Figure 3.3.2
Reported Sexual Experience among Young Women Aged 15-17 and 18-19 Years: Jamaica, 1993-2008


Since the age at first intercourse is correlated with age at first pregnancy, it had been suggested that age at menarche is therefore correlated with age at first pregnancy. Thus, it is useful to think of the average age at the first menstrual period as an indicator of the probability of early intercourse and early childbearing and to initiate sex education activities prior to the timing of menarche in a population.

One of the objectives of the RHS was to explore young adults' opinion about the best age to start sex education (Table 3.3.2). Virtually all young women agreed that courses on family life and sexual education should be taught in school and the majority (77.4\%) stated the best age to start teaching these topics is age 12 or younger. Respondents who favored the early (before age 12) onset of school-based courses were slightly more likely to reside in Health Region 3 ( $86.8 \%$ ), including Westmoreland and St. James parishes ( $90.2 \%$ and $87.5 \%$, respectively), to be older, and to live in households with the highest wealth status.

The overall proportion of women who reported sexual experience did not change significantly in the last decade: $87.6 \%$ in $1997,88.8 \%$ in 2002 and $87.3 \%$ in 2008 (data not shown). As expected, sexual experience increased directly with age, since older women have a longer time of exposure, and declined slightly with the increase in the wealth status of the household (Table 3.3.3). Sexual experience was inversely correlated with the frequency of church attendance; that is, women who attended church at least weekly were the least likely to report sexual experience. Reports of sexual experience rose as attendance became less frequent.

### 3.4 Age at First Intercourse, Union, and Birth

Age at first sexual intercourse and first union play an important role in determining fertility. Delays in these events decrease the number of reproductive years that a woman spends at risk of getting pregnant, and increase the likelihood of having fewer children. Age at first birth also has a direct impact on fertility because postponing the first birth may contribute to the decline of the TFR.

Information on age at first sexual intercourse, first union, and first live birth for all women are presented by age of the respondent at the time of interview in Table 3.4.1. The left side of the table shows the proportion of respondents within each 5-year age cohort who have ever had sexual intercourse (top panel), ever been in formal or consensual union (middle panel), and ever had a live birth (bottom panel) before reaching specific ages. The overall median age (age by which $50 \%$ of women aged 15-49 have experienced the event) and the median age within each age group are displayed for each event in the right side of the table.

By comparing the proportion of women within different cohorts who experienced various events before age 20, it is possible to detect whether the average age of occurrence of each event has changed over time. For example, the proportion of women who had sexual intercourse before age 20 has increased from $80 \%$ among 40 - to 49 -year-olds to $86 \%$ among 20 to 24 -year-olds and the proportion reporting entry into a union before age 20 had increased from $58-59 \%$ to $80 \%$, respectively. As a result, the median age at first intercourse had decreased by 0.6 year and the median age at first union had decreased by more than one year between the oldest and the youngest cohorts. Thus, the gap between the median age at first intercourse and first marriage has narrowed by decreasing the latter more rapidly than the former (Table 3.4.1 and Figure 3.4.1). The changes in the onset of childbearing were less consistent among cohorts, but fewer women aged 20-24 and 25-29 years have given birth prior to age 20 than among older cohorts and their median age at first birth was almost one year older than among women aged 40-49 years.

Among the youngest cohort, the increase in the proportion of women who married before age 20 and the decline in the proportion who gave birth by the same age has important implications for future fertility patterns and fertility control measures. The youngest Jamaican women tend to have earlier sexual debut, earlier entry in a union relationship, but a relatively later start (2-3
years after the first marriage) of childbearing than older cohorts. As a result, their contraceptive needs are likely to be greater and their fertility will reach the highest levels at older ages during their reproductive years. Compared with their counterparts in older cohorts, they will spend a

Figure 3.4.1
Percentage of Women Aged 20-49 Years Who Had Sexual Debut, First Union, and First Birth before Age 20: Jamaica, 2008

slightly shorter time at risk of premarital pregnancy but a longer time between the first marriage and first birth; thus, they will have a greater need for reversible, effective contraception, such as injectables and oral contraceptives.

In 2008, the median ages at first sexual experience and first union among all women aged 15-49 years were 17.1 and 18.3, respectively (Table 3.4.1 and Figure 3.4.2), similar to the corresponding figures documented by the 2002 survey. This corroborates the findings that the proportion of women who reported sexual experience or marital experience did not change significantly compared to 2002. Only the median age at first birth changed between 2002 and 2008, increasing by almost 0.5 year (from 20.7 to 21.2 ). Despite this increase, the onset of childbearing is still very early, consistent with the contribution of the young cohorts to current level of total fertility.

Figure 3.4.2
Median Age at First Sexual Experience and First Birth among Women Aged 15-49 Years: Jamaica, 2002 and 2008


Reported median age at first birth correlates well with the prevailing opinion expressed by $48.4 \%$ of women that the best age to start childbearing is between $20-24$ years (Table 3.4.2).

### 3.5 Recent Sexual Activity

Information about sexual activity was collected for all women and young men who had sexual relations. These include the timing of the last intercourse, average number of sexual partners, and patterns of condom use during the last 12 months and lifetime. In addition, more details were collected from respondents who had sexual intercourse in the last 12 months about their sexual encounters with the last, next-to-last, and second-to last partners: relationship with the sexual partner, use of a primary and secondary method of contraception, and use of alcohol or recreational drugs with each partner. This section includes selected results related to the current and recent sexual activity. More data are related to sexual behaviors are included in Chapters 12 and 13.

Current sexual activity is an essential indicator for estimating the proportion of women who are at risk of becoming pregnant (including the risk of having an unintended pregnancy), and who may require contraceptive services. It also has major implications for the selection of a contraceptive method that best suits the sexual and reproductive behaviors and fertility preferences of each individual. Thus, the patterns of sexual activity are taken into account in estimating the proportion of women in need of family planning services and their contraceptive choices, presented in Chapter 10.

As was shown in Table 3.3.3, 87.3\% of all women aged 15-49 who were interviewed in the 2008 RHS were sexually experienced. The corresponding proportion among young men aged 15-24 was $74.9 \%$ (see also Chapter 12). However, not all women and men who were sexually experienced were currently sexually active (i.e., had had intercourse in the month preceding the interview): only $62.4 \%$ of women and $51.6 \%$ of young men reported current sexual activity (Table 3.5.1).

As expected, the level of current sexual activity was influenced by the existing type of union relationship, with higher levels reported by women and men in more stable unions and lower levels among those in less stable relations. Among women who were married or living with a common-law partner, about $90 \%$ reported having had intercourse at least once within the past month. The corresponding proportion among young men was very similar. Further, $81.4 \%$ of women and $90.3 \%$ of young men in a visiting relationship -that is a relationship in which the partners do not share the household-reported sexual activity in the month prior to the survey. The proportion of currently sexually active women and young men who were in a sexual relationship with a boyfriend or girlfriend was somewhat lower ( $64.6 \%$ and $77.8 \%$, respectively). Only $3.8 \%$ of women and $11.3 \%$ of young men who did not have a steady relationship (many of them not sexually experienced) reported having had sexual experience in the month preceding the interview.

Compared to previous surveys, the proportion of currently sexually active women and young men had increased. Among women, it increased from about one in two women who reported current sexual experience in 1997 to almost two in three women (Table 3.5.1 and Figure 3.5.1).

Figure 3.5.1
Current Sexual Activity by Current Relationship Status among Women Aged 15-49 Years: Jamaica, 1997-2008


The increase was noticeable among women in each type of union relationship, but was the highest among women in a visiting partner relationship (from 66\% in 1997 and 2002, to 81\% in 2008). A similar pattern was observed among young men in a visiting partner relationship (from $75 \%$ in 1997, to $69 \%$ in 2002 and $78 \%$ in 2008).

The current levels of sexual activity among young adults are more appropriate for estimating the current risk of unintended pregnancy, risk of contracting sexually transmitted diseases, and contraceptive needs than the levels of sexual experience. As shown in Figure 3.5.2, about 2 in 3 young adult women (i.e., those aged 15-24) and 3 in 4 young adult men reported they have ever had sexual intercourse; $48 \%$ and $52 \%$, respectively, reported their last sexual encounter within the past 30 days, and $7 \%-9 \%$ within the past $1-3$ months.

Figure 3.5.2
Timing of the Last Sexual Intercourse among Young Adult Women and Men Aged 15-24 Years: Jamaica, 2008


Women 15-24



Men 15-24

Despite a recent decline in the proportion of adolescent girls and boys aged 15-19 years who had initiated sexual intercourse-from a high of $58.9 \%$ and $74.5 \%$, respectively, in 1993 to a low of $43.6 \%$ and $61.5 \%$, respectively in 2008, as shown later in Chapter 12, Table 12.2.1—the current levels of sexual activity among sexually experienced youths, and implicit exposure to the risk of pregnancy and STIs, have actually increased (Table 3.5.2 and Figure 3.5.3).

These changes seem to be independent of changes in the union relationships. For example, the proportion of adolescent women in a married, common-law, or visiting partner relationship had actually declined between 2002 and 2008 (from $35.5 \%$ to $25.8 \%$ ), whereas the proportion of 20to 24 -year-olds in such relationships had increased (from 68.6\% to 77.5\%). Among young adult men, the proportion in more stable union relationships had significantly declined for both 15-

19-year-olds and 20-24-year-olds, from $33.6 \%$ to $10.1 \%$ and $62.9 \%$ to $49.1 \%$, respectively (data not shown).

Figure 3.5.3
Trends in the Current Sexual Activity among Sexually Experienced Women and Men Aged 15-19 and 20-24 Years: Jamaica, 1997-2008


Except for the influence of current age and relationship status, the current sexual activity varies little by other background characteristics (Table 3.5.2).

Table 3.5.3A shows the relationship status of the last sexual partner by the current union relationship status among sexually experienced women aged 15-49 years. As in previous surveys, virtually all women in a legal or consensual marriage reported their last sexual intercourse was with their husband. A slightly lower percentage (93.4\%) of those in visiting unions had their last sexual intercourse with a visiting partner. Similarly, the majority of women currently in a sexual relation with a boyfriend reported the last intercourse was with a boyfriend. Very few (6.5\%) said their last intercourse was with a visiting partner, presumably a former partner or a misclassification of the relationship at the last sexual intercourse. Sexually experienced women not currently in a steady relationship reported various relations with their last sexual partners. Most reported their last intercourse with a former visiting partner (39\%) or former husband/common-law partner (23\%); about one in five (22.4\%) reported last intercourse with a boyfriend; and $15.7 \%$ reported last intercourse with a more casual partner. Relationship status of the last sexual partner by the current union relationship status among sexually experienced young men is shown in Table 3.5.3B.

Tables 3.5.4 and 3.5.5 present the relationship status of the last sexual partner among sexually experienced women aged 15-49 years by other background characteristics. Because typically women tend to report current sexual relations with their current partners, as shown in the
previous table, the patterns of their relationships by background characteristics greatly resemble the patterns of the union relationship status. Older women, particularly those aged 40 years or older, were more likely to report the last sexual encounter with a husband, whereas younger women were more likely to have had the last intercourse with a visiting partner or a boyfriend. Boyfriend-girlfriend relationship at the last intercourse was most common among women aged 15-19 years. Differentials in stable relationships with the last sexual partners did not vary greatly by education and wealth status, but women with the highest education level and those with the highest wealth status were slightly more likely to report the last intercourse with a boyfriend.

Table 3.5.6 shows the percentage of sexually experienced women who were not currently sexually active but had sexual relations 1-3 months ago. Overall, fewer women in 2008 than in 2002 or 1997 had intercourse $1-3$ months ago ( $17 \%$ vs. $38.7 \%$ and $35.4 \%$, respectively), ranging from $48.3 \%$ among women in common-law unions to $6.1 \%$ among those not in steady relationships.

### 3.6 Postpartum Amenorrhea, Abstinence and Insusceptibility

Postpartum amenorrhea is defined as the period between the termination of conception, regardless of its outcome, and the return of ovulation, generally approximated by the resumption of menstruation following childbirth. This period depends on a number of biological and sociodemographic factors which vary considerably among women, including the duration and intensity of breastfeeding, age, parity, and nutritional status. Because the fecundability of the woman (i.e., risk of conception) in this period is very low, it is a major contributor to the postpartum insusceptibility. The other main determinant of the insusceptible period is the duration of the sexual abstinence following the termination of conception. Thus, women are considered postpartum insusceptible if they either are postpartum amenorrheic or they had not resumed sexual activity following a pregnancy.

Table 3.6.1 shows the percent of women with a birth in the last 24 months for whom period had not returned, and who had not resumed sexual relations by time since the birth. It also shows proportions insusceptible, meaning that either their period had not returned or they had not resumed sexual activity. The majority of women were classified as being insusceptible to pregnancy within the first 2 months following childbirth, because of both postpartum amenorrhea and postpartum abstinence. After the second month, the contribution of amenorrhea was greatly reduced and more women were sexually abstinent than amenorrheic ( $45.4 \%$ vs. $30 \%$ ). Sexual abstinence declined rapidly after the fourth month while the decline in postpartum abstinence was more gradual. At 7-8 months after birth, almost 1 in 4 mothers were still amenorrheic and equal proportions were abstaining. At 11-12 months postpartum, the proportion amenorrheic was only $13 \%$ and very few women (6.1\%) were abstaining.

The proportion of women amenorrheic, abstinent, or insusceptible, classified by time since birth can be used to calculate a "current status" mean duration of each of these states. The mean duration of amenorrhea was 3.1 months; of abstinence, 4.4 months; and insusceptibility, 4.8 months. Thus, the length of the period of insusceptibility appears to be more influenced by the duration of postpartum abstinence than by the duration of amenorrhea. This is likely due to changes in the duration and intensity of breastfeeding, but the information on breastfeeding was not collected in the 2008 survey. The changes in resuming sexual intercourse after birth have been less pronounced.

Figure 3.6.1
Trends in the Mean Duration of Postpartum Amenorrhea, Abstinence and Insusceptibility after the Most Recent Live Birth in the Last 24 Months among Women Aged 15-49 Years: Jamaica, 1997-2008


Compared to previous surveys, there was a notable drop in the mean duration of postpartum insusceptibility in 2008, thanks to a sharp decline in the average duration of postpartum amenorrhea (from 5.6 months in 1997 and 2002 to 3.1 months in 2008) and a more gradual decline in the mean duration of abstinence (Figure 3.6.1).

Table 3.6.2 shows proportions of women with a birth in the last 24 months classified as postpartum amenorrheic, abstinent and insusceptible. Almost identical proportions of women reported postpartum amenorrhea and abstinence ( $20.9 \%$ and $20.4 \%$, respectively) and almost 1 in 3 women ( $30.8 \%$ ) were postpartum insusceptible. The proportion of women who reported postpartum amenorrhea, abstinence, and insusceptibility at the time of the interview varied greatly within subgroups. Postpartum amenorrhea, for example, was more prevalent among residents of Health Region 4 (24.4\%), among the least educated women (some of them very young), and among women with intermediate to high wealth status. The lowest prevalence, presumably related to a short duration of breastfeeding, was reported by women with the highest wealth status (9.3\%).

The percent distribution of women with live births in the period 2003 to 2008 by the duration of postpartum abstinence is shown in Table 3.6.3. Overall, $28.2 \%$ of women reported durations longer than 5 months (i.e. 20 weeks). Slightly shorter durations were reported by women residing in Health Region 2, St. Ann parish, those aged 15-19 years, those with the highest number of years of schooling, and those with the two highest wealth quintiles.

The effects of postpartum abstinence and amenorrhea combined—postpartum insusceptibility -could account for important increases in the time between births (i.e. birth spacing). Promoting birth spacing has long been a central goal of the family planning program in Jamaica. Since lactation and amenorrhea can be important contributors to delaying subsequent conception, promoting consistent and prolonged breastfeeding is useful in developing biological interventions for family planning and maternal and child health care programs. At the same time, family planning providers should be aware of the potential need to switch women who breastfeed to different methods after giving birth. Offering accurate information about the benefits of spacing, along with a wide variety of contraceptive methods including the Lactation Amenorrhea Method (LAM), will help women space their births longer. As such, it is important to examine the current level of support for prolonged breastfeeding, which may predict future contraceptive needs and inform effective birth spacing messages.

Overall, only $25 \%$ of women aged 15-49 years were in favour of a long duration of breastfeeding; 12.4\% supported durations of 1 year or more, and $12.6 \%$ said that "as long as possible" is ideal (Table 3.6.4). The support for long breastfeeding duration was slightly higher among rural residents, residents of Health Region 2, women aged 35 years or older, women with less than a post high-school education, and women residing in households with low and middle wealth status.

The opinions of respondents about the ideal breastfeeding duration in 2008 have changed significantly since 1993 (Figure 3.6.2). In 1993 and 1997, a far larger proportion of women aged 15-49 expressed the view that the ideal duration of breastfeeding is more than 1 year ( $38 \%$ and $36 \%$, respectively), whereas only 12-13\% of women in 2002 and 2008 believed so. Conversely, only about one in 10 women in 1993 and 1997 said that 1-6 months was an ideal duration, compared to 1 in 4 and 1 in 3, respectively, in 2002 and 2008.

Figure 3.6.2
Opinions about the Ideal Duration of Breastfeeding among Women Aged 15-49 Years: Jamaica, 1993-2008


### 3.7 Planning Status of the Last Pregnancy

Accurate documentation of reproductive intentions is important for understanding a population's fertility rates, fertility-related behaviors, and contraception needs. Based on existing literature, unintended pregnancy has been associated with the use of elective abortion, inadequate prenatal care, unfavorable maternal behaviors, and pregnancy or perinatal complications.

Conventional measures of unintended pregnancy are designed to reflect a woman's intentions before she became pregnant. Thus, for current pregnancies and pregnancies ended since January 2003, all respondents were asked about the pregnancy planning status at the time of conception. Each completed or ongoing pregnancy was classified as either planned or intended (i.e., wanted at the time it occurred), mistimed (i.e., occurred earlier than desired), unwanted (i.e., occurred when no children, or no more children, were desired), or unsure. Mistimed and unwanted pregnancies together constitute "unplanned" (unintended) pregnancies (Figure 3.7).

Figure 3.7.1
Demographic Terminology for Pregnancy Intentions


Reliable information on pregnancy intentions, however, is difficult to collect. One common problem is the underreporting of pregnancies that ended in induced abortions. Because the majority of these pregnancies are mistimed or unwanted, unplanned pregnancies will be underreported to the extent that abortions are underreported. In this report, unintended pregnancy estimates include only births and current pregnancies. Another problem with accurate depiction of unwanted pregnancies might be the retrospective rationalization and ambivalence about pregnancy intention when the outcome is a live birth. Compared to selfassessments of pregnancy intention at the time of conception, retrospectively reported intentions after the child is born tend to be more positive. Thus, the data presented here represent conservative estimates of the true levels of unplanned pregnancies.

The proportion of pregnancies in Jamaica that were reported as unplanned was quite high (Table 3.7 and Figure 3.7.2). In 2008, 50\% of women reported their last or current pregnancy as planned and $47 \%$ said it was unplanned, including $15.9 \%$ who reported it as unwanted. About two-thirds of unplanned pregnancies were mistimed pregnancies. A small proportion of women (3.3\%) were unsure about the planning status of their last pregnancy.

Figure 3.7.2
Planning Status of the Last Pregnancy among Women Aged 15-49 Who Were Currently Pregnant or Gave Birth in the Last 5 Years: Jamaica, 2008


However, fewer women reported they experienced unplanned pregnancies in 2008, compared to any other previous survey year ( $47 \%$ in 2008 vs. $58 \%$ in 2002, 61\% in 1997, 67\% in 1993, and $72 \%$ in 1989)(Figure 3.7.3). Thus, the proportion of unintended pregnancies in Jamaica has declined by 35\% between 1989 and 2008. The largest drop occurred between 2002 and 2008 (a $19 \%$ decline), primarily due to a steep decline in the mistimed pregnancies (from $42 \%$ to $31 \%$ ).

Overall, $45.6 \%$ of the women who had a live birth in the last 5 years reported that conception as unplanned (Table 3.7). Among currently pregnant women the proportion with unplanned conceptions was higher (58.7\%), indicating a greater likelihood that some of these pregnancies may not be carried out to term.

The proportion of last pregnancies that were unintended varied sharply by age, with women aged 15-19 having the highest percentage (80.8\%)(Figure 3.7.4). The proportion decreased with rising age, dropping to $36 \%$ among women aged $35-39$, and then increased again, reaching $69 \%$ among women aged 45 and older.

Figure 3.7.3
Trends in Planning Status of Last Pregnancy among Women Aged 15-49 Who Were Currently Pregnant or Gave Birth in the Last 5 Years Jamaica, 1989-2008


Figure 3.7.4
Planning Status of the Most Recent Pregnancy in the Last 5 Years by Maternal Age among Women Aged 15-49 Years: Jamaica, 2008


Among 15- to 19-year-olds and 20- to 24-year-olds, most unintended pregnancies were mistimed rather than unwanted (the unwanted-to-mistimed ratio for these women was about 1:4 and 1:5, respectively). Among women aged 25 years or older, fewer pregnancies were unintended, but the unwanted-to-mistimed ratio increased, ranged from almost 1:2 among 25to 29-year-olds to about 4:1 among 40- to 44-year-olds, and 33:1 among those aged 45 years or older. Thus, mistimed pregnancies were rapidly replaced by unwanted pregnancies with an
increase in maternal age, primarily because the desire for birth-spacing is replaced by the desire to terminate childbearing. As a result, virtually all unintended pregnancies were unwanted at older ages.

Both the proportion of pregnancies that were unplanned and the ratio between unwanted and mistimed conceptions also varied with the number of living children (Figure 3.7.5). Women who had never had a live birth (presumably younger women) were less likely to report that their last pregnancies were intended than were women with one, two, or three live births. They also reported the highest percentage of mistimed pregnancies. Women with 4 or more children were the least likely to report that their last pregnancies were intended and the most likely to report they were unwanted.

Among married women, $66.6 \%$ of pregnancies were intended, compared with $50.7 \%$ among women in common law unions, $46.2 \%$ among women in visiting partnerships, and $40 \%$ among those not currently in a steady relationship. The proportion of unwanted pregnancies was also the highest among the latter group (23.6\%).

Figure 3.7.5
Planning Status of the Last Pregnancy in the Last 5 Years by Number of Living Children: Jamaica, 2008


Both women's education level and their wealth status (defined as the wealth quintile of the household) were strongly associated with the intention of the last pregnancy. Among women with the lowest educational attainment and lowest wealth status, who are also reporting the highest levels of fertility, pregnancies were more likely than among higher education and wealth status women to end in unplanned births (52.3\% and 55.2\%). The proportion of unplanned births declined with increasing education and wealth status reaching the lowest levels among women with the highest wealth status (31.3\%).

In conclusion, it appears that improved fertility control measures implemented in Jamaica since 2002 have increased the proportion of women and couples who gave birth when they felt best prepared to assume the responsibilities of parenting, with a minimum impact on the overall fertility rates. Further progress is needed, however. In view of the lower rates of unintended pregnancy reported by selected sub-groups, such progress is possible and needs to be sustained through tailored interventions. Further reductions in unintended pregnancy could be achieved by promoting the use of effective contraceptive methods, improving their use-effectiveness, and reducing risk-taking behaviors, particularly among adolescents and young adults.

### 3.8 Future Fertility Preferences

Knowledge about fertility expectations in a population is essential for helping couples to avoid unplanned pregnancies and attain their desired family size. Public health officials and health care providers should always consider fertility preferences in their efforts to lower rates of unplanned pregnancy. As in previous surveys, the 2008 RHS explored future fertility preferences by asking sexually experienced women who were not using contraceptive sterilization (i.e. tubal ligation or partner's vasectomy) if they want to have more children, how many, and how long would they like to wait before the next child. Currently pregnant women were asked to report future fertility preferences after the completion of the current pregnancy.

The data presented in Table 3.8 demonstrate that $42.3 \%$ of sexually experienced women wanted no more children; 44.7\% wanted one or more children, and an additional 12.9\% were unsure or did not know if they wanted to have more. The intention to have no more children increased rapidly with increasing numbers of living children (Figure 3.8.1). Among women who had had three or more children, the majority ( $79 \%-85 \%$ ) were ready to stop childbearing. Conversely, among those with no living children, only $5.9 \%$ said they did not want children. Similar patterns were documented in the 2002 and 1997 surveys.

The national family planning program in Jamaica needs to account for the fertility preferences of Jamaican couples, in order to provide the most appropriate contraceptive methods for each couple's needs. Childless women and women with only one live birth, most of whom want to have one or more children, are more likely to need birth-spacing methods, whereas women with three or more children, the majority whom want to stop childbearing, need long term or permanent contraceptive methods.

Figure 3.8.1
Intention to Have No More Children by Number of Living Children among Sexually Experienced Women* Aged 15-49: Jamaica, 1997-2008


Four percent of women were not sure about the timing of their next birth. Similar to the desire for more children, the timing of the next birth was also influenced by parity. Childless women and women with one child were more likely than women with higher parity to want to have a child right away (including those who said it is "God's will" when they will become pregnant) or within a year; however, even among childless women, the predominant preference was to wait 2 or more years (Figure 3.8.2). It is worth noting that among the very few women with three or more children who want to continue childbearing, the desire is to have the next child right away or within a year.

Figure 3.8.2
Timing of the Next Birth by Number of Living Children among Fertile Women Aged 15-49 Who Want More Children: Jamaica, 2008


Table 3.1.1
Age-Specific Fertility Rates and Total Fertility Rates* by Age at Birth Reproductive Health Surveys, Contraceptive Prevalence Surveys, and the World Fertility Survey Jamaica, 2008-1975

| Age Group (at birth) | Age-Specific Fertility Rates (per 1,000) and Survey Year |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | :---: |
|  | 2008 | $\mathbf{2 0 0 2}$ | 1997 | $1993^{\dagger}$ | 1989 | 1983 | $1975^{\ddagger}$ |
| $15-19$ | 72 | 79 | 112 | 107 | 102 | 122 | 137 |
| $20-24$ | 124 | 124 | 163 | 160 | 164 | 190 | 234 |
| $25-29$ | 94 | 118 | 112 | 131 | 131 | 150 | 207 |
| $30-34$ | 96 | 91 | 101 | 99 | 96 | 110 | 155 |
| $35-39$ | 54 | 59 | 55 | 69 | 60 | 73 | 101 |
| $40-44$ | 34 | 23 | 20 | 42 | 30 | 40 | 54 |
| $45-49$ | 2 | 3 | 0 | $\dagger$ | 4 | 8 | 9 |
| Total Fertility Rate (births per woman) | 2.4 | 2.5 | 2.8 | 3.0 | 2.9 | 3.5 | 4.5 |

* Calculated for 2 years before the survey.
$\dagger$ The 1993 Jamaica Contraceptive Prevalence Survey included women aged 15-44 years only.
$\ddagger$ The World Fertility Survey included married women aged 15-49 years only.

| Table 3.1.2 <br> Age-Specific Fertility Rates and Total Fertility Rates* by Selected Characteristics <br> Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Age-Specific Fertility Rates (per 1,000) |  |  |  |  |  |  | Total Fertility Rate |
| Characteristic | 15-19 | 20-24 | 25-29 | 30-34 | 35-39 | 40-44 | 45-49 |  |
| Total | 72 | 124 | 94 | 96 | 54 | 34 | 2 | 2.4 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 51 | 94 | 62 | 82 | 44 | 42 | 0 | 1.9 |
| Other urban | 83 | 106 | 91 | 82 | 48 | 48 | , | 2.3 |
| Rural | 74 | 153 | 111 | 113 | 65 | 19 | 3 | 2.7 |
| Health region |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 60 | 98 | 85 | 80 | 52 | 49 | 1 | 2.1 |
| 2 | 68 | 128 | 116 | 81 | 67 | 25 | 6 | 2.5 |
| 3 | 98 | 153 | 92 | 81 | 61 | 14 |  | 2.5 |
| 4 | 72 | 160 | 102 | 142 | 43 | 29 | 0 | 2.7 |
| Parish |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston | 58 | 120 | 130 | 90 | 59 | 44 | 0 | 2.5 |
| St. Andrew | 59 | 89 | 48 | 91 | 50 | 39 | 0 | 1.9 |
| St. Thomas | 102 | 162 | 96 | 101 | 24 | 21 | 11 | 2.6 |
| Portland | 72 | 123 | 166 | 86 | 49 | 15 | 17 | 2.6 |
| St. Mary | 100 | 144 | 95 | 83 | 80 | 22 | 0 | 2.6 |
| St. Ann | 49 | 116 | 108 | 78 | 66 | 32 | 7 | 2.3 |
| Trelawny | 67 | 159 | 137 | 57 | 89 | 20 | 10 | 2.7 |
| St. James | 121 | 177 | 95 | 75 | 34 | 4 | 0 | 2.5 |
| Hanover | 46 | 123 | 120 | 58 | 35 | 29 | 0 | 2.1 |
| Westmoreland | 116 | 134 | 64 | 114 | 83 | 16 | 8 | 2.7 |
| St. Elizabeth | 77 | 216 | 72 | 123 | 20 | 24 |  | 2.7 |
| Manchester | 60 | 169 | 106 | 129 | 62 | 35 | 0 | 2.8 |
| Clarendon | 81 | 110 | 120 | 167 | 41 | 26 | 0 | 2.7 |
| St. Catherine | 56 | 92 | 103 | 65 | 59 | 62 | 0 | 2.2 |
| Education level (in years) ${ }^{\dagger}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-9 | 140 | 160 | 155 | 119 | 60 | 43 | 2 | 3.4 |
| 10-12 | 70 | 133 | 84 | 84 | 56 | 31 | 2 | 2.3 |
| 13 or more | 12 | 71 | 74 | 109 | 32 | 19 | 0 | 1.6 |
| Wealth quintile  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 118 | 194 | 135 | 123 | 85 | 45 | 2 | 3.5 |
| Second | 74 | 163 | 132 | 118 | 65 | 26 | 5 | 2.9 |
| Middle | 101 | 109 | 85 | 85 | 50 | 46 | 2 | 2.4 |
| Fourth | 38 | 67 | 44 | 59 | 28 | 25 | 1 | 1.3 |
| Highest | 39 | 81 | 78 | 89 | 37 | 26 | 0 | 1.8 |

[^5]| Table 3.1.3 <br> Childlessness among Women 15-49 Years of Age by Current Age Group and Selected Characteristics Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Characteristic | Total | Current Age |  |  |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { No. of } \\ & \text { Cases } \end{aligned}$ |
|  |  | 15-19 | 20-24 | 25-29 | 30-39 | 40-49 |  |
| Total | 33.0 | 89.2 | 47.6 | 24.5 | 12.0 | 7.3 | 8,259 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 37.7 | 94.2 | 46.9 | 32.2 | 15.8 | 10.0 | 1,198 |
| Other urban | 33.3 | 87.6 | 54.8 | 26.5 | 15.1 | 8.0 | 2,283 |
| Rural | 30.6 | 87.8 | 41.6 | 18.9 | 7.5 | 5.6 | 4,778 |
| Health region |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 36.6 | 90.9 | 53.1 | 29.4 | 16.1 | 8.5 | 2,340 |
| 2 | 31.1 | 89.7 | 47.7 | 19.7 | 6.5 | 4.3 | 1,761 |
| 3 | 31.0 | 86.5 | 40.6 | 19.4 | 9.9 | 8.4 | 2,313 |
| 4 | 28.5 | 87.8 | 41.6 | 19.9 | 8.8 | 5.9 | 1,845 |
| Education level (in years) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-9 | 24.3 | 89.6 | 22.9 | 10.7 | 6.3 | 6.4 | 2,183 |
| 10-12 | 33.5 | 88.8 | 41.3 | 21.2 | 10.6 | 6.4 | 5,078 |
| 13 or more | 45.3 | 93.2 | 85.5 | 47.2 | 26.3 | 14.5 | 995 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 21.4 | 81.1 | 27.1 | 9.5 | 6.4 | 4.0 | 2,001 |
| Second | 26.8 | 89.3 | 35.1 | 14.4 | 6.1 | 5.7 | 1,716 |
| Middle | 30.9 | 87.2 | 47.1 | 17.4 | 7.1 | 8.4 | 1,668 |
| Fourth | 40.3 | 90.9 | 54.5 | 39.1 | 18.8 | 9.8 | 1,650 |
| Highest | 45.6 | 95.9 | 74.0 | 42.3 | 22.9 | 8.7 | 1,224 |
| Church attendance ${ }^{\dagger}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| At least once a week | 41.1 | 95.0 | 66.5 | 34.9 | 17.4 | 9.7 | 2,856 |
| At least once a month | 31.6 | 89.8 | 42.4 | 27.9 | 7.8 | 5.7 | 1,417 |
| Less than once a month | 33.0 | 88.4 | 46.3 | 23.1 | 10.8 | 7.3 | 1,256 |
| Special occasions | 22.8 | 79.5 | 39.6 | 15.9 | 8.1 | 4.0 | 1,820 |
| Never | 30.4 | 80.3 | 29.5 | 18.7 | 13.3 | 5.8 | 892 |

[^6]| Table 3.2 <br> Pregnancy and Motherhood Experience among Women 15-19 Years of Age by Selected Characteristics <br> Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Characteristic | Percentage Pregnant with Their First Pregnancy | Percentage Who Ever Had a Pregnancy | Percentage with Any Pregnancy Experience | Percentage Who Ever Gave Birth | No. of Cases |
| Total | 2.9 | 11.7 | 14.6 | 10.8 | 1,229 |
| Residence U/R |  |  |  |  |  |
| Urban | 3.0 | 10.5 | 13.5 | 9.6 | 488 |
| Rural | 2.7 | 13.1 | 15.8 | 12.2 | 741 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 2.7 | 6.5 | 9.2 | 5.8 | 193 |
| Other urban | 3.3 | 13.3 | 16.6 | 12.4 | 295 |
| Rural | 2.7 | 13.1 | 15.8 | 12.2 | 741 |
| Health region |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 2.7 | 10.3 | 13.0 | 9.1 | 347 |
| 2 | 2.2 | 12.0 | 14.2 | 10.3 | 269 |
| 3 | 3.1 | 13.7 | 16.8 | 13.5 | 370 |
| 4 | 3.4 | 12.4 | 15.8 | 12.2 | 243 |
| Current Age |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15 | 2.3 | 1.7 | 4.0 | 1.7 | 294 |
| 16 | 0.5 | 5.3 | 5.8 | 4.1 | 242 |
| 17 | 3.5 | 5.6 | 9.1 | 4.2 | 222 |
| 18 | 4.4 | 22.2 | 26.6 | 21.0 | 241 |
| 19 | 4.1 | 25.4 | 29.5 | 24.8 | 230 |
| Education level (in years) |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-9 | 2.7 | 10.9 | 13.6 | 10.4 | 308 |
| 10-12 | 3.1 | 12.3 | 15.4 | 11.2 | 872 |
| 13 or more | 0.0 | 6.8 | 6.8 | 6.8 | 49 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 4.2 | 20.3 | 24.5 | 18.9 | 263 |
| Second | 4.6 | 11.4 | 16.0 | 10.7 | 254 |
| Middle | 1.7 | 13.8 | 15.5 | 12.8 | 250 |
| Fourth | 3.6 | 9.1 | 12.7 | 9.1 | 270 |
| Highest | 0.6 | 5.3 | 5.9 | 4.1 | 192 |


| Table 3.3.1 <br> Mean Age at First Menstrual Period <br> among Women Aged 15-49 Years by Selected Characteristics Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Characteristic | Age at Menarche | No. of Cases (Unweighted)* |
| Total | 12.9 | 8,171 |
| Age group |  |  |
| 15-19 | 12.4 | 1,220 |
| 20-24 | 12.9 | 1,110 |
| 25-29 | 12.9 | 1,335 |
| 30-34 | 12.8 | 1,202 |
| 35-39 | 13.2 | 1,212 |
| 40-44 | 13.2 | 1,069 |
| 45-49 | 13.2 | 1,023 |
| Education level (in years) ${ }^{\dagger}$ |  |  |
| O-9 | 13.0 | 2,148 |
| 10-12 | 12.9 | 5,032 |
| 13 or more | 12.6 | 988 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |
| Lowest | 13.2 | 1,972 |
| Second | 13.0 | 1,696 |
| Middle | 12.9 | 1,653 |
| Fourth | 12.7 | 1,637 |
| Highest | 12.6 | 1,213 |

[^7]| Table 3.3.2 <br> Perceived Best Age to Start Family Life and Sexual Education in School by Selected Characteristics, Women Aged 15-24 Years Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Characteristic | Best Age to Start Courses on Family Life and Sexual Education (in Years) |  |  |  |  |  | Total | $\begin{aligned} & \text { No. of } \\ & \text { Cases } \end{aligned}$ |
|  | $<10$ | 10-12 | 13-14 | 15 or More | It Should Not be Taught in Schools | Do Not Know |  |  |
| Total | 12.2 | 65.2 | 13.8 | 7.0 | 0.4 | 1.5 | 100.0 | 2,342 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 7.3 | 70.0 | 16.3 | 6.1 | 0.1 | 0.2 | 100.0 | 358 |
| Other urban | 17.0 | 59.9 | 14.6 | 7.8 | 0.1 | 0.6 | 100.0 | 600 |
| Rural | 11.0 | 66.8 | 11.9 | 6.8 | 0.8 | 2.7 | 100.0 | 1,384 |
| Health region |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 10.9 | 63.9 | 14.8 | 9.1 | 0.1 | 1.0 | 100.0 | 687 |
| 2 | 11.9 | 65.6 | 16.5 | 5.2 | 0.0 | 0.8 | 100.0 | 501 |
| 3 | 10.3 | 76.5 | 10.3 | 2.0 | 0.1 | 0.9 | 100.0 | 687 |
| 4 | 17.5 | 55.8 | 13.1 | 8.5 | 1.7 | 3.5 | 100.0 | 467 |
| Parish |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston | 8.1 | 72.7 | 11.6 | 6.1 | 0.4 | 1.2 | 100.0 | 183 |
| St. Andrew | 8.8 | 68.0 | 15.4 | 6.6 | 0.0 | 1.2 | 100.0 | 208 |
| St. Thomas | 7.3 | 70.3 | 16.6 | 3.7 | 1.4 | 0.7 | 100.0 | 155 |
| Portland | 8.5 | 64.4 | 15.8 | 8.2 | 0.0 | 3.2 | 100.0 | 125 |
| St. Mary | 8.5 | 65.0 | 23.3 | 2.4 | 0.0 | 0.7 | 100.0 | 158 |
| St. Ann | 15.4 | 66.3 | 11.9 | 6.2 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 100.0 | 218 |
| Trelawny | 5.6 | 73.6 | 14.9 | 4.7 | 0.0 | 1.1 | 100.0 | 129 |
| St. James | 10.3 | 77.2 | 12.2 | 0.3 | 0.0 |  | 100.0 | 191 |
| Hanover | 14.8 | 70.4 | 7.0 | 4.0 | 0.3 | 3.5 | 100.0 | 190 |
| Westmoreland | 9.3 | 80.9 | 7.8 | 1.6 | 0.0 | 0.3 | 100.0 | 177 |
| St. Elizabeth | 10.1 | 61.5 | 19.3 | 5.0 | 0.0 | 4.1 | 100.0 | 141 |
| Manchester | 19.1 | 52.0 | 12.0 | 6.7 | 5.0 | 5.2 | 100.0 | 160 |
| Clarendon | 21.6 | 54.9 | 9.3 | 12.6 | 0.0 | 1.5 | 100.0 | 166 |
| St. Catherine | 14.5 | 56.6 | 14.5 | 13.5 | 0.0 | 0.9 | 100.0 | 141 |
| Age group |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 10.3 | 64.6 | 15.1 | 7.9 | 0.4 | 1.7 | 100.0 | 1,229 |
| 20-24 | 14.4 | 65.8 | 12.2 | 6.0 | 0.4 | 1.2 | 100.0 | 1,113 |
| Current union status |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Married | 20.9 | 42.2 | 12.1 | 23.7 | 1.1 |  | 100.0 | 47 |
| Common law union | 11.5 | 66.9 | 15.4 | 4.0 | 0.3 | 1.8 | 100.0 | 458 |
| Visiting relationship | 12.8 | 66.8 | 13.6 | 5.3 | 0.5 | 1.0 | 100.0 | 709 |
| No steady relationship | 11.8 | 64.3 | 13.4 | 8.5 | 0.4 | 1.7 | 100.0 | 1,128 |
| Education level (in years) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-9 | 11.8 | 60.2 | 15.1 | 8.3 | 0.1 | 4.6 | 100.0 | 459 |
| 10-12 | 11.6 | 66.4 | 13.6 | 7.0 | 0.5 | 0.9 | 100.0 | 1,674 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 8.4 | 64.9 | 13.5 | 9.3 | 0.8 | 3.0 | 100.0 | 538 |
| Second | 12.9 | 61.6 | 15.7 | 6.1 | 0.7 | 2.9 | 100.0 | 513 |
| Middle | 16.3 | 65.1 | 12.8 | 5.0 | 0.2 | 0.6 | 100.0 | 475 |
| Fourth | 12.1 | 65.2 | 13.3 | 8.6 | 0.2 | 0.6 | 100.0 | 473 |
| Highest | 11.2 | 68.6 | 13.6 | 6.0 | 0.1 | 0.5 | 100.0 | 343 |
| Church attendance* |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| At least once a week | 13.8 | 61.5 | 14.5 | 9.0 | 0.5 | 0.6 | 100.0 | 771 |
| At least once a month | 12.3 | 69.1 | 12.9 | 4.5 | 0.2 | 1.1 | 100.0 | 401 |
| Less than once a month | 13.3 | 63.7 | 13.7 | 6.5 | 0.5 | 2.3 | 100.0 | 354 |
| Special occasions | 12.0 | 69.3 | 13.4 | 4.5 | 0.2 | 0.7 | 100.0 | 478 |
| Never | 7.4 | 65.3 | 13.6 | 8.8 | 0.5 | 4.5 | 100.0 | 331 |

* Excludes 7 women with missing information on church attendance.

| Percentage of Women Aged 15-49 Years Who Have Ever Had Sexual Relations by Selected Characteristics Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Characteristic | Sexual Experience | No. of Cases |
| Total | 87.3 | 8,259 |
| Residence |  |  |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 84.4 | 1,198 |
| Other urban | 88.9 | 2,283 |
| Rural | 87.4 | 4,778 |
| Health region |  |  |
| 1 | 86.2 | 2,340 |
| 2 | 87.2 | 1,761 |
| 3 | 86.8 | 2,313 |
| 4 | 90.5 | 1,845 |
| Age group |  |  |
| 15-19 | 43.6 | 1,229 |
| 20-24 | 92.2 | 1,114 |
| 25-29 | 97.3 | 1,350 |
| 30-34 | 99.1 | 1,219 |
| 35-39 | 99.2 | 1,221 |
| 40-44 | 98.9 | 1,084 |
| 45-49 | 97.6 | 1,042 |
| Education level (in years) * |  |  |
| 0-9 | 85.3 | 2,183 |
| 10-12 | 87.4 | 5,078 |
| 13 or more | 90.7 | 995 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |
| Lowest | 91.3 | 2,001 |
| Second | 90.9 | 1,716 |
| Middle | 87.3 | 1,668 |
| Fourth | 84.5 | 1,650 |
| Highest | 82.9 | 1,224 |
| Church attendance ${ }^{\dagger}$ |  |  |
| At least once a week | 78.4 | 2,856 |
| At least once a month | 88.8 | 1,417 |
| Less than once a month | 90.9 | 1,256 |
| Special occasions | 95.0 | 1,820 |
| Never | 93.4 | 892 |

* Excludes 3 women with missing information on education.
$\dagger$ Exclude 18 women with missing information on church attendance.

() Time exposed partially truncated because not all cases had exposure throughout the period of analysis.

[^8]| Table 3.4.2 <br> Perceived Best Age at Which Women Are Responsible Enough to Start Childbearing among Women Aged 15-49 Years by Selected Characteristics Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Characteristic | Best Age to Start Childbearing (in Years) |  |  |  |  |  | Total | $\begin{aligned} & \text { No. of } \\ & \text { Cases } \end{aligned}$ |
|  | Less than 18 | 18-19 | 20-24 | 25 or More | When Mature Enough | Other |  |  |
| Total | 1.0 | 16.3 | 48.4 | 20.5 | 4.7 | 9.2 | 100.0 | 8,259 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Other urban | 1.3 | 14.9 | 46.8 | 20.5 | 5.6 | 10.8 | 100.0 | 2,283 |
| Rural | 0.7 | 17.4 | 47.5 | 19.6 | 5.0 | 9.8 | 100.0 | 4,778 |
| Age group | 0.2 | 14.8 | 50.0 | 22.1 | 4.8 | 8.1 | 100.0 | 1,229 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 20-24 | 1.3 | 18.4 | 48.5 | 19.1 | 4.9 | 7.8 | 100.0 | 1,114 |
| 25-29 | 1.6 | 20.1 | 46.1 | 17.6 | 4.8 | 9.8 | 100.0 | 1,350 |
| 30-34 | 0.9 | 13.4 | 50.2 | 20.8 | 4.6 | 10.2 | 100.0 | 1,219 |
| 35-39 | 0.5 | 15.4 | 46.3 | 24.3 | 4.8 | 8.6 | 100.0 | 1,221 |
| 40-44 | 1.2 | 15.7 | 47.4 | 19.4 | 4.3 | 11.9 | 100.0 | 1,084 |
| 45-49 | 1.9 | 15.3 | 50.5 | 19.2 | 4.7 | 8.4 | 100.0 | 1,042 |
| Current union status | 0.8 | 14.3 | 50.2 | 20.4 | 4.5 | 9.8 | 100.0 | 1,441 |
| Married |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Common law union | 1.7 | 19.4 | 49.1 | 16.4 | 3.9 | 9.5 | 100.0 | 2,158 |
| Visiting relationship | 1.1 | 18.9 | 50.2 | 17.5 | 3.8 | 8.5 | 100.0 | 2,279 |
| No steady relationship | 0.6 | 12.3 | 45.2 | 26.2 | 6.3 | 9.4 | 100.0 | 2,381 |
| Education level (in years)* | 1.2 | 20.2 | 48.8 | 17.1 | 3.6 | 9.2 | 100.0 | 2,183 |
| 0-9 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 10-12 | 1.1 | 15.8 | 49.1 | 20.6 | 4.7 | 8.7 | 100.0 | 5,078 |
| 13 or more | 0.4 | 12.0 | 44.2 | 25.3 | 6.8 | 11.3 | 100.0 | 995 |
| Wealth quintile | 1.3 | 21.0 | 46.7 | 17.2 | 4.1 | 9.8 | 100.0 | 2,001 |
| Lowest |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Second | 1.0 | 19.1 | 51.0 | 17.2 | 4.2 | 7.5 | 100.0 | 1,716 |
| Middle | 1.2 | 15.1 | 48.5 | 21.6 | 4.3 | 9.3 | 100.0 | 1,668 |
| Fourth | 1.0 | 15.8 | 45.8 | 22.8 | 4.6 | 10.0 | 100.0 | 1,650 |
| Highest | 0.4 | 10.3 | 50.3 | 23.3 | 6.4 | 9.2 | 100.0 | 1,224 |

* Data on education are missing for 3 women.

| Table 3.5.1 <br> Current Sexual Activity ${ }^{*}$ among All Women Aged 15-49 Years and Men Aged 15-24 Years by Current Relationship Status <br> Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008, 2002, 1997 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Current Relationship Status | Women Aged 15-49 Years |  |  |  |  |  | Men Aged 15-24 Years |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 2008 |  | 2002 |  | 1997 |  | 2008 |  | 2002 |  | 1997 |  |
|  | \% | No. of Cases | \% | No. of Cases | \% | No. of Cases | \% | No. of Cases | \% | No. of Cases | \% | No. of Cases |
| Total | 62.4 | 8,259 | 54.4 | 7,168 | 53.4 | 6,384 | 51.6 | 2,775 | 44.1 | 2,437 | 48.2 | 2,279 |
| Married | 91.0 | 1,441 | 85.7 | 1,542 | 81.8 | 1,185 | $\ddagger$ | 8 | $\ddagger$ | 13 | $\ddagger$ | 15 |
| Common law union | 89.6 | 2,158 | 83.3 | 1,733 | 80.1 | 1,839 | 86.7 | 154 | 87.8 | 83 | 89.9 | 162 |
| Visiting relationship | 81.4 | 2,279 | 65.8 | 1,959 | 66.2 | 1,624 | 90.3 | 554 | 69.2 | 983 | 74.9 | 691 |
| Boyfriend with sex | 64.6 | 281 | $\dagger$ | $\dagger$ | 54.2 | 265 | 77.8 | 829 | $\dagger$ | $\dagger$ | 65.1 | 458 |
| No steady relationship | 3.8 | 2,100 | 7.3 | 1,934 | 2.8 | 1,471 | 11.3 | 1,230 | 21.1 | 1,358 | 10.2 | 953 |

* Includes women who had sexual relations in the past 30 days.
$\dagger$ Sexual activity with a boyfriend or date was not covered in the 2002 survey.
$\ddagger$ Less than 25 cases.


[^9]| Table 3.5.3ARelationship with the Last Sexual Partner among Sexually Experienced Women Aged 15-49 Yearsby Current Relationship StatusReproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 1997-2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Current Relationship Status | Relationship with Last Sexual Partner |  |  |  | Total | No. of Cases |
|  | Married/ Common Law | Visiting Partner | Boyfriend | Other |  |  |
|  | 2008* |  |  |  |  |  |
| Married | 99.3 | 0.4 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 1,418 |
| Common law union | 94.7 | 4.2 | 1.0 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 2,134 |
| Visiting relationship | 1.7 | 93.4 | 3.7 | 1.1 | 100.0 | 2,219 |
| Boyfriend with sex | 0.2 | 6.5 | 89.9 | 3.5 | 100.0 | 263 |
| No steady relationship | 23.0 | 39.0 | 22.4 | 15.7 | 100.0 | 555 |
|  | 2002 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Married | 99.8 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 1,332 |
| Common law union | 94.5 | 2.2 | 3.2 | 0.2 | 100.0 | 1,454 |
| Visiting relationship | 4.4 | 82.9 | 11.5 | 1.2 | 100.0 | 1,331 |
| No steady relationship $\dagger$ | 20.3 | 31.9 | 28.3 | 19.5 | 100.0 | 159 |
|  | 1997 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Married | 99.7 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.2 | 100.0 | 969 |
| Common law union | 94.1 | 2.8 | 2.7 | 0.4 | 100.0 | 1,474 |
| Visiting relationship | 2.3 | 89.9 | 6.7 | 1.1 | 100.0 | 1,094 |
| Boyfriend with sex | 18.3 | 21.8 | 27.9 | 32.1 | 100.0 | 142 |
| No steady relationship | 29.2 | 37.6 | 26.9 | 6.3 | 100.0 | 42 |

[^10]| Table 3.5.3B <br> Relationship with the Last Sexual Partner among Sexually Experienced Men Aged 15-24 Years by Current Relationship Status <br> Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 1997-2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Relationship with Last Sexual Partner |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Current Relationship Status | Married/ Common Law | Visiting Partner | Girlfriend | Father's Partner | Casual <br> Acquaintance | Commercial Sex Worker or Other | Total | No. of Cases |
|  | 2008* |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Married/common law union | 86.3 | 2.4 | 8.8 | NA | 1.9 | 0.6 | 100.0 | 161 |
| Visiting partner | 0.7 | 71.2 | 15.8 | NA | 12.3 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 550 |
| Girlfriend with sex | 0.0 | 1.2 | 87.9 | NA | 10.4 | 0.6 | 100.0 | 803 |
| No steady relationship | 0.2 | 2.3 | 33.1 | NA | 59.5 | 4.9 | 100.0 | 345 |
|  | 2002 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Married / common law | 67.7 | 1.0 | 25.0 | 0.0 | 5.2 | 1.0 | 100.0 | 96 |
| Visiting partner | 0.5 | 32.9 | 48.9 | 12.5 | 4.8 | 0.4 | 100.0 | 928 |
| No steady relationship $\dagger$ | 0.8 | 6.7 | 0.2 | 76.2 | 15.8 | 0.4 | 100.0 | 907 |
|  | 1997 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Married / common law | 66.2 | 7.6 | 23.4 | 1.7 | 1.2 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 161 |
| Visiting partner | 0.3 | 41.0 | 45.1 | 7.6 | 5.6 | 0.4 | 100.0 | 502 |
| Girlfriend with sex | 1.2 | 3.2 | 77.8 | 12.6 | 5.1 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 298 |
| No steady relationship | 0.0 | 5.7 | 19.6 | 44.8 | 27.3 | 2.4 | 100.0 | 89 |

$N A=$ Not Applicable (this category was not included in the 2008 questionnaire).

* Excludes 202 men whose last sexual intercourse was more than 12 months ago.
† Includes the "boyfried with sex" category, which cannot be studied separately in the 2002 RHS.

| Table 3.5.4Relationship with the Last Sexual Partner among Women 15-49 Years Who Had Sexual Relationsin the Last 12 Months by Selected CharacteristicsReproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Relationship Status With Last Sexual Partner |  |  |  |  |  |  | Total | No. of Cases |
| Characteristic | $\begin{gathered} \text { Married/ } \\ \text { Common Law } \end{gathered}$ | Visiting Partner | Boyfriend | Friend | Casual Acquaintance | Other |  |  |
| Total | 48.8 | 41.7 | 7.6 | 1.2 | 0.3 | 0.4 | 100.0 | 6,589 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 42.8 | 47.7 | 7.9 | 0.8 | 0.2 | 0.7 | 100.0 | 938 |
| Other urban | 51.4 | 39.1 | 7.9 | 0.9 | 0.5 | 0.3 | 100.0 | 1,829 |
| Rural | 49.4 | 41.2 | 7.1 | 1.7 | 0.2 | 0.4 | 100.0 | 3,822 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 46.2 | 42.6 | 9.2 | 1.2 | 0.3 | 0.5 | 100.0 | 1,855 |
| 2 | 53.4 | 37.3 | 8.1 | 0.4 | 0.1 | 0.7 | 100.0 | 1,400 |
| 3 | 52.7 | 37.9 | 6.9 | 1.8 | 0.6 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 1,822 |
| 4 | 47.7 | 45.9 | 4.6 | 1.3 | 0.2 | 0.3 | 100.0 | 1,512 |
| Parish |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston | 38.7 | 51.2 | 7.5 | 2.2 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 100.0 | 510 |
| St. Andrew | 43.9 | 45.8 | 7.5 | 1.5 | 0.2 | 1.1 | 100.0 | 491 |
| St. Thomas | 40.9 | 44.3 | 12.5 | 1.8 | 0.3 | 0.2 | 100.0 | 428 |
| Portland | 57.5 | 25.3 | 13.0 | 1.3 | 0.2 | 2.8 | 100.0 | 412 |
| St. Mary | 55.8 | 34.3 | 8.8 | 0.4 | 0.2 | 0.5 | 100.0 | 408 |
| St. Ann | 50.0 | 44.2 | 5.7 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 580 |
| Trelawny | 50.7 | 37.5 | 10.1 | 1.7 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 413 |
| St. James | 52.1 | 39.2 | 4.7 | 3.0 | 0.8 | 0.3 | 100.0 | 519 |
| Hanover | 46.6 | 42.1 | 10.1 | 1.3 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 398 |
| Westmoreland | 57.1 | 34.8 | 6.6 | 0.6 | 0.8 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 492 |
| St. Elizabeth | 45.6 | 49.2 | 5.1 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 443 |
| Manchester | 49.3 | 46.7 | 3.3 | 0.7 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 535 |
| Clarendon | 47.9 | 42.9 | 5.3 | 2.7 | 0.5 | 0.7 | 100.0 | 534 |
| St. Catherine | 50.7 | 37.6 | 10.6 | 0.6 | 0.5 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 426 |
| Age group |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 11.9 | 50.0 | 34.9 | 2.4 | 0.2 | 0.7 | 100.0 | 501 |
| 20-24 | 31.7 | 55.7 | 11.0 | 1.2 | 0.0 | 0.5 | 100.0 | 1,017 |
| 25-29 | 44.7 | 48.8 | 4.8 | 1.2 | 0.4 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 1,233 |
| 30-34 | 57.3 | 37.3 | 3.2 | 0.9 | 0.6 | 0.7 | 100.0 | 1,099 |
| 35-39 | 59.9 | 35.7 | 2.4 | 1.0 | 0.5 | 0.5 | 100.0 | 1,047 |
| 40-44 | 69.2 | 27.9 | 1.5 | 1.1 | 0.3 | 0.2 | 100.0 | 895 |
| 45-49 | 69.1 | 26.2 | 2.9 | 1.7 | 0.1 | 0.2 | 100.0 | 797 |
| Education level (in years) $\quad$ L |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-9 | 58.6 | 34.0 | 5.2 | 1.8 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 100.0 | 1,716 |
| 10-12 | 45.9 | 44.8 | 7.4 | 1.2 | 0.3 | 0.5 | 100.0 | 4,068 |
| 13 or more | 46.5 | 39.5 | 12.2 | 0.7 | 0.5 | 0.5 | 100.0 | 802 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 49.2 | 42.9 | 6.0 | 1.3 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 100.0 | 1,667 |
| Second | 48.2 | 41.7 | 7.5 | 2.2 | 0.2 | 0.3 | 100.0 | 1,384 |
| Middle | 50.1 | 41.7 | 6.6 | 1.2 | 0.2 | 0.3 | 100.0 | 1,343 |
| Fourth | 46.5 | 43.0 | 8.5 | 0.9 | 0.0 | 1.1 | 100.0 | 1,254 |
| Highest | 49.8 | 39.2 | 9.4 | 0.7 | 0.8 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 941 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| At least once a week | 62.0 | 30.1 | 5.9 | 1.1 | 0.3 | 0.6 | 100.0 | 1,940 |
| At least once a month | 47.5 | 40.9 | 9.5 | 1.2 | 0.5 | 0.4 | 100.0 | 1,167 |
| Less than once a month | 42.9 | 48.0 | 7.7 | 0.9 | 0.2 | 0.3 | 100.0 | 1,089 |
| Special occasions | 43.2 | 47.8 | 7.0 | 1.4 | 0.2 | 0.4 | 100.0 | 1,597 |
| Never | 39.4 | 49.3 | 9.1 | 1.7 | 0.5 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 783 |

[^11]| Table 3.5.5 <br> Relationship with the Last Sexual Partner among Women 15-49 Years Who Had Sexual Relations in the Last 30 Days by Selected Characteristics Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Characteristic | Relationship Status with the Last Sexual Partner |  |  |  |  |  | Total | $\begin{aligned} & \text { No. of } \\ & \text { Cases } \end{aligned}$ |
|  | Married/ Common Law | Visiting Partner | Boyfriend | Friend | Casual <br> Acquaintance | Other |  |  |
| Total | 53.3 | 39.9 | 5.6 | 0.8 | 0.3 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 5,386 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 45.6 | 47.7 | 5.9 | 0.6 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 783 |
| Other urban | 55.5 | 38.3 | 5.1 | 0.5 | 0.5 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 1,482 |
| Rural | 55.3 | 37.5 | 5.8 | 1.2 | 0.1 | 0.2 | 100.0 | 3,121 |
| Health region |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 50.0 | 41.9 | 6.9 | 0.9 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 1,524 |
| 2 | 56.5 | 36.4 | 6.1 | 0.4 | 0.1 | 0.5 | 100.0 | 1,132 |
| 3 | 57.5 | 36.3 | 4.5 | 1.4 | 0.4 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 1,523 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston | 43.5 | 48.4 | 6.9 | 1.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 411 |
| St. Andrew | 46.8 | 46.4 | 5.7 | 0.9 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 418 |
| St. Thomas | 47.7 | 36.9 | 12.8 | 2.4 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 100.0 | 343 |
| Portland | 65.1 | 23.1 | 8.5 | 1.5 | 0.0 | 1.8 | 100.0 | 309 |
| St. Mary | 58.6 | 32.8 | 7.8 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 0.5 | 100.0 | 336 |
| St. Ann | 52.0 | 43.7 | 4.2 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 487 |
| Trelawny | 53.7 | 36.3 | 8.3 | 1.8 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 351 |
| St. James | 56.6 | 36.8 | 3.4 | 2.5 | 0.7 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 424 |
| Hanover | 51.9 | 41.7 | 5.6 | 0.9 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 329 |
| Westmoreland | 62.7 | 33.6 | 3.4 | 0.0 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 419 |
| St. Elizabeth | 52.0 | 42.9 | 4.8 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 343 |
| Manchester | 56.7 | 40.0 | 3.1 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 430 |
| Clarendon | 54.4 | 41.0 | 2.7 | 0.9 | 0.1 | 0.7 | 100.0 | 434 |
| St. Catherine | 54.7 | 37.0 | 7.2 | 0.5 | 0.6 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 352 |
| Age group |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 14.5 | 52.8 | 31.6 | 1.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 372 |
| 20-24 | 34.3 | 55.7 | 8.4 | 1.1 | 0.0 | 0.5 | 100.0 | 828 |
| 25-29 | 48.0 | 47.0 | 3.9 | 0.7 | 0.4 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 1,013 |
| 30-34 | 62.6 | 34.6 | 1.9 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 913 |
| 35-39 | 64.7 | 32.5 | 1.1 | 1.0 | 0.4 | 0.2 | 100.0 | 855 |
| 40-44 | 74.1 | 23.6 | 1.3 | 0.7 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 751 |
| 45-49 | 73.9 | 24.9 | 0.3 | 0.9 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 654 |
| Education level (in years)* |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $0-9$ | 64.2 | 30.4 | 3.9 | 1.4 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 1,420 |
| 10-12 | 49.6 | 43.7 | 5.6 | 0.7 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 100.0 | 3,334 |
| 13 or more | 53.8 | 37.2 | 8.0 | 0.4 | 0.7 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 629 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 54.4 | 39.6 | 4.8 | 0.9 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 1,363 |
| Second | 52.4 | 40.0 | 5.7 | 1.4 | 0.1 | 0.3 | 100.0 | 1,166 |
| Middle | 54.6 | 39.7 | 4.4 | 0.9 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 100.0 | 1,066 |
| Fourth | 51.0 | 42.3 | 6.1 | 0.6 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 1,018 |
| Highest | 54.2 | 37.9 | 6.9 | 0.2 | 0.8 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 773 |
| Church attendance ${ }^{\dagger}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| At least once a week | 68.6 | 26.8 | 3.4 | 0.8 | 0.3 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 1,553 |
| At least once a month | 53.2 | 38.9 | 6.7 | 0.8 | 0.3 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 928 |
| Less than once a month | 46.7 | 46.1 | 5.9 | 0.9 | 0.0 | 0.3 | 100.0 | 911 |
| Special occasions | 46.1 | 46.9 | 5.7 | 1.0 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 100.0 | 1,328 |
| Never | 43.6 | 47.6 | 7.9 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 658 |

[^12]| Table 3.5.6 <br> Percentage of Women Aged 15-49 Years Who Were Not Currently Sexually Active and Had Sexual Intercourse in the Past Three Months by Current Relationship Status Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008, 2002, 1997 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 2008 |  | 2002 |  | 1997 |  |
| Relationship status | \% | $\begin{aligned} & \hline \text { No. of } \\ & \text { Cases } \end{aligned}$ | \% | $\begin{aligned} & \text { No. of } \\ & \text { Cases } \end{aligned}$ | \% | $\begin{aligned} & \hline \text { No. of } \\ & \text { Cases } \end{aligned}$ |
| Total | 17.0 | 2,873 | 38.7 | 2,288 | 35.4 | 2,091 |
| Married | 36.5 | 144 | 54.7 | 204 | 56.8 | 215 |
| Common law union | 48.3 | 198 | 63.7 | 273 | 59.7 | 362 |
| Visiting relationship | 44.4 | 444 | 63.6 | 620 | 56.1 | 528 |
| Boyfriend with sex | 45.8 | 82 | * | * | 52.5 | 122 |
| No steady relationship | 6.1 | 2,005 | 16.0 | 1,191 | 8.1 | 864 |

Table 3.6.1
Percentage of Women Aged 15-49 Years Who Gave Birth* in the 24 Months Prior to the Survey and Were Postpartum Amenorrheic, Postpartum Abstinent, or Postpartum Insusceptible by the Number of Months since Birth
Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008

| No. of Months since Birth | Postpartum <br> Amenorrheic | Postpartum <br> Abstinent | Postpartum <br> Insusceptible | No. of Cases |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 0-2 | 83.6 | 83.7 | 92.8 | 127 |
| 3-4 | 30.0 | 45.4 | 64.5 | 91 |
| $5-6$ | 21.7 | 21.6 | 39.4 | 124 |
| $7-8$ | 23.6 | 22.0 | 33.6 | 102 |
| 9-10 | 14.1 | 13.4 | 27.2 | 119 |
| 11-12 | 13.0 | 6.1 | 18.7 | 99 |
| 13-18 | 5.9 | 6.2 | 11.8 | 285 |
| 19-24 | 5.7 | 2.0 | 7.7 | 287 |
| Total | 20.9 | 20.4 | 30.8 | $\mathbf{1 , 2 3 4}$ |
| Mean duration (in months) | 3.1 | 4.4 | 4.8 | $\mathbf{-}$ |

[^13]| Table 3.6.2 <br> Percentage of Women Aged 15-49 Years Who Gave Birth ${ }^{*}$ in the 24 Months Prior to the Survey and Were Postpartum Amenorrheic, Postpartum Abstinent, or Postpartum Insusceptible by Selected Characteristics Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Characteristic | Postpartum Amenorrheic | Postpartum Abstinent | Postpartum Insusceptible | No. of Cases |
| Total | 20.9 | 20.4 | 30.8 | 1,234 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 22.8 | 23.2 | 35.5 | 153 |
| Other urban | 17.4 | 17.3 | 24.7 | 303 |
| Rural | 22.7 | 21.6 | 33.3 | 778 |
| Health region |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 20.5 | 19.6 | 30.1 | 321 |
| 2 | 20.8 | 23.8 | 33.9 | 267 |
| 3 | 17.4 | 21.1 | 29.5 | 329 |
| 4 | 24.4 | 19.6 | 31.3 | 317 |
| Age group |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 27.0 | 36.3 | 44.3 | 119 |
| 20-24 | 22.9 | 17.1 | 30.8 | 326 |
| 25-29 | 20.4 | 17.1 | 27.3 | 313 |
| 30-34 | 22.7 | 23.0 | 33.2 | 221 |
| 35-39 | 13.2 | 16.5 | 23.4 | 172 |
| 40-44 | 9.7 | 19.9 | 23.1 | 69 |
| 45-49 | $\dagger$ | $\dagger$ | $\dagger$ | 14 |
| Education level (in years) |  |  |  |  |
| 0-9 | 22.9 | 18.2 | 31.5 | 331 |
| 10-12 | 20.4 | 19.4 | 29.5 | 765 |
| 13 or more | 20.0 | 31.3 | 37.0 | 138 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 20.2 | 16.0 | 26.7 | 439 |
| Second | 22.8 | 14.4 | 31.0 | 267 |
| Middle | 23.6 | 25.7 | 37.5 | 251 |
| Fourth | 28.6 | 37.1 | 39.9 | 147 |
| Highest | 9.3 | 18.3 | 21.5 | 130 |

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[^15]| Table 3.6.4 <br> Opinions about the Ideal Duration of Breastfeeding among Women Aged 15-49 Years <br> by Selected Characteristics <br> Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Characteristic | Ideal Desired Breastfeeding Duration |  |  |  |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { No. of } \\ & \text { Cases } \end{aligned}$ |
|  | 1-6 Months | $\begin{gathered} \hline 7-12 \\ \text { Months } \end{gathered}$ | > 12 Months | As Long as Possible | Not Sure | Total |  |
| Total | 34.9 | 35.7 | 12.4 | 12.6 | 4.4 | 100.0 | 8,259 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 41.9 | 27.9 | 9.8 | 15.1 | 5.3 | 100.0 | 1,198 |
| Other urban | 34.1 | 38.6 | 12.8 | 10.5 | 4.1 | 100.0 | 2,283 |
| Rural | 32.3 | 36.9 | 13.2 | 13.3 | 4.2 | 100.0 | 4,778 |
| Health region |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 36.2 | 34.3 | 13.2 | 11.5 | 4.9 | 100.0 | 2,340 |
| 2 | 29.5 | 34.0 | 11.2 | 20.5 | 4.7 | 100.0 | 1,761 |
| 3 | 41.0 | 35.7 | 9.5 | 10.4 | 3.4 | 100.0 | 2,313 |
| 4 | 29.5 | 39.7 | 14.2 | 12.5 | 4.1 | 100.0 | 1,845 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston | 39.1 | 26.8 | 12.2 | 18.5 | 3.4 | 100.0 | 644 |
| St. Andrew | 39.8 | 27.4 | 12.1 | 14.7 | 6.0 | 100.0 | 636 |
| St. Thomas | 41.6 | 32.4 | 6.2 | 14.6 | 5.2 | 100.0 | 504 |
| Portland | 26.2 | 40.5 | 18.6 | 5.0 | 9.7 | 100.0 | 516 |
| St. Mary | 35.3 | 15.3 | 8.0 | 35.5 | 6.0 | 100.0 | 542 |
| St. Ann | 26.4 | 45.8 | 10.6 | 15.5 | 1.7 | 100.0 | 703 |
| Trelawny | 27.4 | 43.9 | 5.7 | 15.0 | 7.9 | 100.0 | 516 |
| St. James | 28.1 | 42.8 | 13.4 | 12.8 | 3.0 | 100.0 | 635 |
| Hanover | 41.2 | 33.5 | 12.6 | 9.6 | 3.1 | 100.0 | 541 |
| Westmoreland | 63.1 | 24.2 | 5.5 | 5.4 | 1.9 | 100.0 | 621 |
| St. Elizabeth | 37.8 | 35.1 | 13.7 | 6.7 | 6.8 | 100.0 | 528 |
| Manchester | 27.2 | 40.5 | 12.3 | 15.7 | 4.3 | 100.0 | 668 |
| Clarendon | 25.5 | 42.3 | 16.3 | 13.9 | 2.0 | 100.0 | 649 |
| St. Catherine | 31.6 | 42.4 | 15.3 | 6.7 | 4.0 | 100.0 | 556 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 36.4 | 37.9 | 10.3 | 6.3 | 9.1 | 100.0 | 1,229 |
| 20-24 | 37.2 | 34.8 | 12.5 | 11.2 | 4.3 | 100.0 | 1,114 |
| 25-29 | 36.3 | 36.7 | 9.4 | 13.0 | 4.7 | 100.0 | 1,350 |
| 30-34 | 35.3 | 35.3 | 13.4 | 13.2 | 2.8 | 100.0 | 1,219 |
| 35-39 | 29.2 | 35.4 | 16.0 | 16.4 | 3.0 | 100.0 | 1,221 |
| 40-44 | 34.8 | 33.3 | 13.8 | 16.2 | 1.9 | 100.0 | 1,084 |
| 45-49 | 33.9 | 34.9 | 12.6 | 16.2 | 2.5 | 100.0 | 1,042 |
| Education level (in years)* |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-9 | 30.2 | 35.7 | 15.8 | 13.7 | 4.7 | 100.0 | 2,183 |
| 10-12 | 35.8 | 35.5 | 11.9 | 12.6 | 4.4 | 100.0 | 5,078 |
| 13 or more | 38.9 | 36.7 | 9.1 | 11.1 | 4.2 | 100.0 | 995 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 31.1 | 37.9 | 14.7 | 12.8 | 3.4 | 100.0 | 2,001 |
| Second | 33.7 | 32.5 | 13.3 | 15.2 | 5.3 | 100.0 | 1,716 |
| Middle | 32.4 | 34.0 | 14.7 | 13.4 | 5.4 | 100.0 | 1,668 |
| Fourth | 38.7 | 35.5 | 10.7 | 11.7 | 3.5 | 100.0 | 1,650 |
| Highest | 38.6 | 38.1 | 8.7 | 10.2 | 4.5 | 100.0 | 1,224 |
| Church attendance ${ }^{\dagger}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| At least once a week | 34.4 | 34.9 | 13.6 | 12.6 | 4.5 | 100.0 | 2,856 |
| At least once a month | 34.9 | 37.9 | 12.8 | 10.1 | 4.2 | 100.0 | 1,417 |
| Less than once a month | 38.4 | 34.9 | 9.9 | 12.6 | 4.1 | 100.0 | 1,256 |
| Special occasions | 33.2 | 36.4 | 10.8 | 15.7 | 4.0 | 100.0 | 1,820 |
| Never | 35.5 | 34.1 | 14.1 | 10.6 | 5.7 | 100.0 | 892 |

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## Table 3.7

| Table 3.7 <br> Planning Status of Current Pregnancies and Most Recent Pregnancies Resulting in a Live Birth in the Last 5 Years among Women Aged 15-49 Years by Selected Characteristics Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Characteristic | Planning Status |  |  |  |  | Total | No. of Cases |
|  | Planned | Mistimed | Unwanted | Not Sure | No response |  |  |
| Total | 50.0 | 30.9 | 15.9 | 1.5 | 1.8 | 100.0 | 3,913 |
| Pregnancy Outcome |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Current pregnancy | 38.2 | 36.4 | 22.3 | 3.1 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 348 |
| Live Birth | 51.1 | 30.3 | 15.3 | 1.3 | 1.9 | 100.0 | 3,565 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 52.3 | 34.1 | 11.4 | 0.7 | 1.5 | 100.0 | 476 |
| Other urban | 55.7 | 25.1 | 15.4 | 2.0 | 1.8 | 100.0 | 1,021 |
| Rural | 44.9 | 34.1 | 17.9 | 1.3 | 1.8 | 100.0 | 2,416 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 18.8 | 66.2 | 14.6 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 225 |
| 20-24 | 42.7 | 47.4 | 8.4 | 0.7 | 0.9 | 100.0 | 900 |
| 25-29 | 54.9 | 27.6 | 13.1 | 2.3 | 2.1 | 100.0 | 1,076 |
| 30-34 | 56.6 | 23.6 | 16.3 | 1.4 | 2.0 | 100.0 | 770 |
| 35-39 | 59.2 | 16.0 | 19.7 | 1.6 | 3.5 | 100.0 | 587 |
| 40-44 | 53.2 | 7.6 | 36.1 | 2.1 | 1.1 | 100.0 | 288 |
| 45-49 | 28.4 | 2.9 | 65.6 | 0.7 | 2.4 | 100.0 | 67 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Married | 66.6 | 18.0 | 12.7 | 0.8 | 1.9 | 100.0 | 624 |
| Common law union | 50.7 | 28.8 | 17.1 | 1.4 | 2.0 | 100.0 | 1,529 |
| Visiting relationship | 46.2 | 36.9 | 13.6 | 1.5 | 1.7 | 100.0 | 1,270 |
| No steady relationship | 40.0 | 33.2 | 23.6 | 2.2 | 0.9 | 100.0 | 490 |
|   <br> No. of live births  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0 | 44.5 | 44.4 | 8.4 | 2.7 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 128 |
| 1 | 51.7 | 40.8 | 4.1 | 1.8 | 1.6 | 100.0 | 974 |
| 2 | 58.5 | 30.9 | 8.0 | 1.2 | 1.4 | 100.0 | 1,002 |
| 3 | 46.3 | 28.7 | 22.3 | 0.9 | 1.8 | 100.0 | 696 |
| 4 or more | 42.8 | 18.4 | 34.6 | 1.6 | 2.5 | 100.0 | 1,113 |
| Education level (in years) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-9 | 44.7 | 27.9 | 24.4 | 1.0 | 2.0 | 100.0 | 1,082 |
| 10-12 | 49.9 | 32.5 | 14.3 | 1.7 | 1.7 | 100.0 | 2,469 |
| 13 or more | 63.5 | 26.9 | 6.9 | 1.0 | 1.7 | 100.0 | 362 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 40.5 | 31.5 | 23.7 | 2.0 | 2.3 | 100.0 | 1,424 |
| Second | 50.1 | 29.9 | 17.9 | 0.9 | 1.2 | 100.0 | 868 |
| Middle | 52.6 | 33.5 | 11.8 | 1.6 | 0.5 | 100.0 | 731 |
| Fourth | 55.5 | 31.9 | 10.2 | 0.9 | 1.5 | 100.0 | 533 |
| Highest | 63.4 | 25.5 | 5.8 | 1.7 | 3.7 | 100.0 | 357 |


| Table 3.8 <br> Desired Number of Additional Children among Sexually Experienced Women Aged 15-49 Years by Current Number of Living Children Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| No. of Additional Children Desired |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Total | No. of Cases |
| Current No. of Births | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 or more | Not Sure | Do Not Know ${ }^{*}$ |  |  |
|  | 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total | 42.3 | 21.4 | 17.5 | 4.0 | 1.8 | 9.3 | 3.6 | 100.0 | 6,678 |
| 0 | 5.9 | 17.2 | 46.2 | 9.4 | 5.5 | 10.3 | 5.6 | 100.0 | 1,388 |
| 1 | 26.1 | 39.6 | 15.9 | 4.0 | 0.8 | 9.8 | 3.8 | 100.0 | 1,691 |
| 2 | 56.9 | 19.7 | 5.5 | 2.4 | 0.4 | 12.0 | 3.1 | 100.0 | 1,505 |
| 3 | 78.5 | 10.7 | 0.7 | 0.6 | 0.4 | 7.3 | 1.7 | 100.0 | 934 |
| 4 or more | 84.9 | 7.1 | 1.0 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 4.8 | 2.1 | 100.0 | 1,160 |
|  | 2002 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total | 35.6 | 23.8 | 25.6 | 6.7 | 4.8 | $\dagger$ | 3.6 | 100.0 | 7,168 |
| 0 | 12.6 | 51.1 | 21.6 | 7.8 | 4.1 | $\dagger$ | 2.8 | 100.0 | 1,786 |
| 1 | 28.0 | 35.6 | 13.7 | 2.4 | 18.0 | $\dagger$ | 2.2 | 100.0 | 1,475 |
| 2 | 46.7 | 28.8 | 18.5 | 1.2 | 2.6 | $\dagger$ | 2.3 | 100.0 | 1,426 |
| 3 | 60.9 | 26.3 | 4.7 | 3.2 | 1.8 | $\dagger$ | 3.2 | 100.0 | 1,031 |
| 4 or more | 83.0 | 6.2 | 4.9 | 0.6 | 2.3 | $\dagger$ | 3.0 | 100.0 | 1,450 |
|  | 1997 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total | 46.5 | 17.5 | 18.1 | 3.2 | 1.6 | $\dagger$ | 13.2 | 100.0 | 6,384 |
| 0 | 11.4 | 16.1 | 44.3 | 7.9 | 3.5 | $\dagger$ | 16.8 | 100.0 | 1,627 |
| 1 | 30.9 | 36.7 | 13.2 | 2.7 | 1.1 | $\dagger$ | 15.4 | 100.0 | 1,350 |
| 2 | 62.6 | 16.1 | 5.1 | 0.4 | 0.6 | $\dagger$ | 15.2 | 100.0 | 1,236 |
| 3 | 79.8 | 9.0 | 2.0 | 0.3 | 0.8 | $\dagger$ | 8.1 | 100.0 | 904 |
| 4 or more | 90.1 | 3.2 | 0.9 | 0.0 | 2.5 | $\dagger$ | 7.4 | 100.0 | 1,267 |

* Includes "As many as possible" and "As many as God sends".
$\dagger$ Data not available in the 2002 and 1997 RHS.


## Chapter 4

## Maternal and Infant Health

Maternal, newborn and child health (MNCH) has gained an unprecedented political momentum with the adoption of the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs). Within the framework of MDGs 4 and 5, countries have pledged to expand partnerships and resource investments to improve well-being and access to health care services among mothers and their children. The goals include achievement of universal access to reproductive health services, a reduction of maternal mortality by three-quarters, and a decline in child-under-five mortality by two-thirds, between 1990 and 2015.

The Jamaica RHS collected detailed information regarding the actual experiences of respondents during pregnancy, delivery, and the postpartum period. These topics, as well as infant and child mortality, are examined in this chapter. All estimates reported here are based on respondents' reports as recorded in a lifetime pregnancy history and a detailed history of health care utilization for the last births carried to term since January 2003. These data can be used to identify problem areas and to help set program priorities, goals, and strategies for improving pregnancy outcomes and the health of mothers and infants.

### 4.1 Prenatal Care

Prenatal care is important for preventing, identifying, and treating conditions that can affect the health of an expectant mother or her baby. To ensure the optimal health of mother and child, experts recommend that prenatal care is initiated during the first trimester of pregnancy, continues throughout gestation at specified intervals, and is comprehensive (i.e., includes risk assessment, risk reduction or treatment of medical conditions, and counseling). Comprehensive prenatal care can decrease perinatal maternal and infant morbidity and mortality by identifying and addressing potential risk factors that contribute to poor outcomes.

This section describes the use of prenatal care among survey respondents for all pregnancies carried to term (either live births or still births) since January 2003. Women were asked in what week or month of gestation they had their first visit for prenatal care and the number of prenatal care visits during pregnancy.

The WHO prenatal care model recommends that the first prenatal care visit includes: a comprehensive risk assessment; screening and treatment of health conditions in accordance with national protocols (e.g., screening for syphilis and HIV); education of the woman and her
family members on signs of pregnancy complications requiring medical attention; and counseling on nutrition, birth preparedness, breastfeeding, and post-partum family planning. In accordance with the WHO protocol, a minimum of four visits during pregnancy are required.

Prenatal care was recorded for all 2,880 live births and stillbirths that took place from January 2003 to the date of interview. Although differences in prenatal care may exist between women having stillbirths and those having live births, the small number of stillbirths reported for the period under consideration precluded this comparison.

Coverage of prenatal care was very high. Overall, only $1.3 \%$ of pregnant women received no prenatal examination (Table 4.1.1 and Figure 4.1.1). The percentage of pregnant women that received no prenatal care ranged from a low of $0.5 \%$ in urban areas other than the Kingston Metropolitan Area to a high of $7.8 \%$ in the Portland parish. The probability of not receiving prenatal care was slightly higher among women with 12 years of schooling or less (1.4\%-1.5\%) than among those with postsecondary education (0.4\%), and among women for whom the child's birth order was fourth or higher (2.3\%).

Figure 4.1.1
Percentage of Women Aged 15-49 Years Who Received No Prenatal Care Preceding Their Last Birth in the Last 5 Years by Selected Characteristics: Jamaica, 2008


Sixty percent of all births received prenatal care during the first trimester. Visits in the first trimester were more common for residents of the Kingston Metropolitan Area (73.8\%) and other urban areas (63.7\%) than for rural women (53.4\%) (Table 4.1.1 and Figure 4.1.2). Prenatal care in the first trimester was also more common for births in Westmoreland, St. Andrew, and St. Mary parishes. Women with post-secondary education reported the highest level of prenatal care in the first trimester.

Figure 4.1 .2
Initiation of Prenatal Care in the $1^{\text {st }}$ Trimester among Women Aged 15-49 Who Gave Birth in 2003-2008 by Selected Characteristics


Groups with the lowest levels of early prenatal care initiation included residents of St. James and St. Elizabeth parishes, adolescent women, women with less than 10 years of schooling, and women with 4 or more children born alive.

Overall, $87.1 \%$ of the births were preceded by four or more prenatal care visits, including $50.4 \%$ preceded by 10 or more visits (Table 4.1.1, right panel and Figure 4.1.3). A small proportion of women stated that they did not remember the number of prenatal care visits.

Figure 4.1.3
Completion of 4 or More Prenatal Care Visits among Women Aged 15-49 Years Who Gave Birth in 2003-2008 by Selected Characteristics: Jamaica, 2008


In this section, we look at the data concerning four or more antenatal care visits, since four is the minimum number of visits recommended by the WHO and the required indicator for international reporting of the progress toward the MDG5. The percentage of births with at least four prenatal visits was lower in rural areas than in urban areas, and was the least common in Portland, Trelawny, and St. Thomas parishes ( $71.0 \%, 72.7 \%$ and $74.9 \%$, respectively). Women with less than 10 years of education were less likely to have births preceded by four or more prenatal visits compared to women with 13 or more years of schooling. The number of prenatal visits was higher for first and second births, and decreased among women with 3 or more children. Women who had 10 or more prenatal visits were generally the same women who started prenatal care early, because the number of visits was correlated with the month of initiation of care.

The Ministry of Health recommends assessing the adequacy of prenatal care for low- risk and high-risk pregnancies by evaluating the initiation of prenatal care (month when prenatal care begins) combined with the frequency of use of services once care has begun into an index with three levels. High-risk pregnancies are primarily defined using maternal age at conception and parity criteria and include: first pregnancies at age 16 or less or at age 30 or more; second or higher order pregnancies at age 35 or more; and pregnancy order greater than 5 . Other conditions may also increase the health risk of pregnancy-associated morbidity and mortality but have not been explored in the RHS.

For high-risk pregnancies, "inadequate" care is defined as either late prenatal care (care initiated after the $4^{\text {th }}$ month of pregnancy) or less than 6 visits and includes also "no prenatal care." The other two levels require early initiation of care (by the fourth month of gestation):
"partially adequate" prenatal care is defined as care that began early but included only 6-9 visits; "adequate" care is defined as care initiated by the $4^{\text {th }}$ month of pregnancy with 10 or more visits completed prior to giving birth. For non-high risk pregnancies, the prenatal visit schedule recommends 5 or 6 visits (for non-high risk multiparous and nulliparous women, respectively).

As shown in Table 4.1.2, women classified as high-risk according to age and parity criteria at the time of the conception of the last live birth since January 2003, had mostly received inadequate (40.9\%) or only partially adequate (18.3\%) prenatal care.

Women with a high-risk pregnancy residing in Health Region 1, including the Kingston Metropolitan Area, were more likely to receive adequate prenatal care for their last pregnancy than other women. Receipt of adequate care increased directly with the education and the socioeconomic status of the mother. Most importantly, women with 5 or more births, who are always classified as having high pregnancy-related health risk according to the Ministry of Health criteria, were less likely to have had adequate prenatal care than women with lower number of births.

Figure 4.1.4
Adequacy of Prenatal Care among Women Aged 15-49 Years Who Gave Birth in 2003-2008: Jamaica, 1997-2008


Between 1997 and 2002, there was an increase in the proportion of high-risk births preceded by adequate prenatal care and a decline in those for which the care was assessed to be inadequate (Figure 4.1.4). However, between 2002 and 2008, the level of inadequate care for high-risk pregnancies had increased slightly (from 34.6\% to 40.8\%).

Prenatal care should not only start early and continue throughout pregnancy, but also include a pregnancy risk assessment and routine measurements and prophylactic care. Routine measurement of blood pressure is an essential component of health risk assessment during prenatal visits.

WHO guidelines for immunizing primarily non-immunized or partially immunized women in developing countries recommend administration of five doses of tetanus toxoid-containing vaccine during the reproductive ages. In many countries, immunization against tetanus is routinely given to pregnant women, usually during the prenatal care visits. Pregnant women with an inadequate or unknown immunization history should always receive 2 doses of tetanus toxoid-containing vaccine: the first dose as early as possible during pregnancy, and the second dose at least 4 weeks later. To achieve adequate immunization, the schedule recommends administering the remaining doses during postpartum care and in connection with subsequent pregnancies. Only when pregnant women have documentation that they were vaccinated during the last 5 years is one dose of the vaccine giving during the pregnancy considered adequate.

In Jamaica, only one half (49.9\%) of women who gave birth since January 2003 said they received tetanus toxoid-containing vaccine while pregnant, although virtually all women who gave birth in the last 5 years received prenatal care. Among women who received the vaccine, most received one dose (59.3\%) and $25.8 \%$ received two or more doses (Table 4.1.3). A fairly large proportion of women were unable to recall how many doses they received. This level of vaccination coverage suggests that even booster shots are not practiced routinely in Jamaica. As expected, the overall tetanus vaccination rate was slightly lower among the same groups of women who reported no prenatal care (residents of Portland, women whose households were classified in the two lowest wealth quintiles, and women with high parity). The percentage of women who reported receipt of at least one tetanus vaccine during pregnancy had declined from $76.7 \%$ in 1997 , to $56.1 \%$ in 2002 , to $49.9 \%$ in 2008 (Figure 4.1.5).

As shown in Table 4.1.4, virtually all women with births in the past 5 years (97.3\%) reported measurement of their blood pressure during pregnancy and one-fourth (24.8\%) were identified as having high blood pressure (HBP). Routine screening of blood pressure was universally high across various subgroups; however, findings of HBP during pregnancy were higher among urban women than rural women, among residents of St. Ann, Westmoreland, and St. Thomas parishes, and among women aged 35 or older.

The proportion of women who had been told they had HBP during their most recent pregnancy was comparable in 2008 and 2002 ( $24.8 \%$ and $24.5 \%$, respectively) but was almost twice as high as the level documented in 1997 (13.5\%) (Figure 4.1.5). It is not possible to determine from this type of study whether there is a true increase in the prevalence of pregnancy-related high blood pressure or if the increase is the effect of better reporting of health conditions. However, survey self-reports are generally considered to be minimum estimates of the true prevalence because they are influenced by a combination of risk factors and differences in reporting (e.g. access to health care facilities, the client-provider interaction, respondent ability to accurately recall medical diagnoses).

Figure 4.1.5
Preventive Services Received by Women Aged 15-49 Years during Prenatal Care for Their Most Recent Pregnancies in the Last 5 Years* Jamaica, 1997-2008


Another procedure which is increasingly carried out during prenatal care is the testing for HIV. One of the core indicators for countries with generalized HIV epidemics and strategies to reduce mother-to-child transmission of HIV is the proportion of pregnant women counseled and tested for HIV. In many countries, prenatal care provides the first opportunity for women to be counseled about HIV and receive HIV testing. This indicator measures the percentage of women who were counseled during prenatal care for their most recent pregnancy, accepted an offer of HIV testing and received their test results, of all women who were pregnant at any time in the two years preceding the survey (Table 4.1.5). Impressively, voluntary testing for pregnant women in Jamaica seemed to have been generalized country-wide. Overall, 91.3\% of women reported they were counseled and tested during their last pregnancy in the two years prior to the survey. The proportion of women tested was higher in the Kingston Metropolitan Area (93.9\%), among women with 13 or more years of schooling, and among women residing in households with middle or higher wealth quintiles. Between 2002 and 2008, the proportion of
women tested during prenatal care of their last pregnancy had increased by almost 50\% (from $69.3 \%$ to $91.3 \%$ ) (Figure 4.1.5).

The large majority of women received most of their prenatal care from either governmental health clinics (71.6\%) or maternity hospitals (4.4\%) (Table 4.1.6 and Figure 4.1.6). Almost one in five women (19.5\%) mentioned they mostly received prenatal care in private clinics, and 3.4\% received care in private hospitals. Less than one percent mentioned prenatal care in a rural health centre or other type of medical facility. Private clinics or hospitals were the most common sources of prenatal care among the most educated women (58.9\%) and those living in households with the highest socioeconomic status (56.7\%). Use of private facilities for prenatal care increased steadily over the last 10 years, from 18.2\% in 1997, to 19.0\% in 2002 and 22.9\% in 2008 (data not shown).

Figure 4.1 .6
Primary Location of Prenatal Care Visits for Women Aged 15-49 Years Who Gave Birth in 2003-2008: Jamaica, 2008


### 4.2 Delivery Care

Overall, the majority of births since January 2003 were delivered in health care facilities; almost all births (93.1\%) were delivered in a governmental hospital, while less than five percent were delivered in other medical facilities (i.e. private hospital or rural maternity centre) (Table 4.2.1). Only $1.2 \%$ of the births reported were delivered at home; virtually all births in urban areas were delivered in medical facilities; the percentage of home births was higher in the rural area (2.3\%) and in St. Ann, Manchester and Clarendon parishes (4.4\%, $2.9 \%$ and $2.3 \%$, respectively). Women with less than 10 years of education reported $2.5 \%$ of their recent births took place at home. Similarly, women residing in households with the lowest wealth quintile were more likely to deliver at home than women residing in more affluent households.

The place of delivery is, of course determined by the location of hospitals and this is reflected in the classifications by geographic areas. The socio-economic status of the woman also influences the choice of a place of delivery. Hence, much higher percentages of women in the highest wealth quintile (18.1\%) reported they used private medical facilities than the rest (range of 1.03.2\%).

The proportion of deliveries assisted by skilled attendants is one of the indicators of progress towards Millennium Development Goal 5, which aims to improve maternal health. Overall, almost all women who gave birth since January 2003 reported that the person who had attended their last delivery was either a midwife or nurse-midwife (64.9\%) or a physician (33.4\%) (Table 4.2.2).

Among the births that took place since January 2003, 14.8\% were delivered by caesarean section; higher C-section rates were reported by women residing in urban areas other than the Kingston Metropolitan Area (19.2\%) and those residing in the St. Catherine parish (24.1\%) (Table 4.2.3 and Figure 4.2). Women with the highest education and those residing in households with the highest wealth quintile reported higher rates of Caesarean section deliveries ( $29.3 \%$ and $32.4 \%$, respectively). Between 2002 and 2008, the prevalence of Caesarean deliveries had increased by more than 50\%, from $9.6 \%$ to $14.8 \%$ (data not shown).

Figure 4.2
Percentage of Births in 2003-2008 Delivered by Cesarean Section by Selected Characteristics: Jamaica, 2008


### 4.3 Smoking and Drinking During Pregnancy

Use of tobacco and alcohol during pregnancy are major risk factors for poor pregnancy outcomes. No amount of alcohol is considered safe to drink during pregnancy, and there is a
linear relationship between the quantity of alcohol consumed and the chances of birth defects (fetal alcohol syndrome) or physical and mental developmental problems. Respondents who gave birth during the five years prior to the 2008 survey were asked "On average, how many cigarettes did you smoke per day during the [last] pregnancy?" and "While you were pregnant with your [last] baby, how often did you usually drink beer, stout, rum, liquor or other alcoholic beverages?"

As shown in Table 4.3, only 4.2\% of the women smoked while they were pregnant. Most of the mothers who smoked during pregnancy smoked 1-4 cigarettes per day. Smoking during pregnancy was slightly higher among women residing in the Kingston Metropolitan Area (5.9\%), or in the Clarendon and Trelawny parishes (7.4\% and 7.2\%, respectively). Smoking rates increased with the age of the mother, reaching the highest level among women aged 45-49 (10.9\%). Women with the lowest education attainment and those residing in households with the two lowest wealth quintiles also had higher rates of smoking during pregnancy (6.6\% and $7.4 \%$ and $4.6 \%$, respectively).

Only 4.9\% of women reported drinking during pregnancy; most of these women consumed alcohol less than once per week or less than once a month (data not shown). Drinking during pregnancy was more prevalent among mothers residing in urban areas other than the Kingston Metropolitan Area (6.5\%) and in the Trelawny and Clarendon parishes (11.8\% and 7.9\%, respectively). Maternal age, less than 10 years of schooling, and residence in households with the two lowest wealth quintiles were associated with higher levels of drinking while pregnant.

### 4.4 Infant and Child Mortality

One of the eight Millennium Development Goals is to decrease mortality worldwide among children under five by two-thirds between 1990 and 2015. In order to meet this goal, efforts must be scaled up worldwide to save the lives of children in their first year of life and particularly during their first four weeks.

The infant mortality rate (the probability of dying between birth and the first birthday, expressed per 1,000 live births) is an important measure of a nation's well being, health and development status. The 2008 RHS included a complete pregnancy history and a series of questions for each live birth a woman might have had: date of birth, sex of child, survival status, and for children who had died, age at death. This information allows a direct calculation of infant and child mortality rates for precise periods of time, by means of life tables. A similar methodology has been employed by other population-based reproductive and demographic health surveys (DHS)in the Latin America and Caribbean region, which allows comparative analyses across countries where these studies have been implemented.

Survey data-based mortality estimates should be viewed as minimum estimates because they may be subject to underreporting. For example, information on a deceased child whose mother
has also died will simply not be gathered; some mothers may not acknowledge a child who died shortly after birth; others may not recall the exact date of birth or may be unwilling or unable to recall at what age a child has died. Because surveys count events experienced by a randomly selected sample, rather than the entire population, the resulting estimates are subject to a certain degree of sampling error. To adjust for sampling error, 95\% confidence intervals around survey estimates can be calculated; consequently, we can say with certainty that the true value of a statistic lies within the boundaries of the $95 \%$ confidence interval. The true value may be either higher or lower than the sample estimate. Despite these limitations, population-based survey estimates of infant and child mortality are quite robust and have proved instrumental in countries where official birth and death rates are incomplete or inaccurate.

Data from the Jamaica RHS were used to calculate mortality levels among respondents' children, specifically, infant mortality (i.e., deaths before the first birthday), child mortality (i.e., deaths between 12 and 59 completed months of age), and child-under- 5 mortality (i.e., deaths before the fifth birthday). Infant mortality was further divided into two periods: neonatal (0-28 days) and post-neonatal ( 29 days to 11 completed months). Table 4.4 presents mortality estimates for a 10-year period prior to the 2008 survey. The estimated infant mortality rate for the period June 1998-May 2008 was 19.4 per 1,000 live births ( $95 \%$ confidence interval [CI] 14.4-24.4 per 1,000 ), and the child-under-5 mortality rate was 21.3 per 1,000 ( $95 \% \mathrm{Cl} 16.2-26.2$ per 1,000). The neonatal mortality rate was estimated at 16.5 per 1,000 ( $95 \% \mathrm{Cl} 11.8-21.2$ per 1,000), while the post-neonatal mortality rate was estimated at 2.9 per 1,000. Thus, the neonatal rate was almost six times as high as the post-neonatal rate and constituted $85 \%$ of the infant mortality rate and 77\% of under-5 mortality rate for the period 1998-2008.

The highest infant and under-5 mortality rates were found among children who are usually at greatest risk of poor health and development: those living in rural areas, those born to mothers who have low educational attainment, and those born less than 24 months apart. For example, infant and under-5 mortality rates were higher among rural infants ( 20.3 per 1,000 and 22.5 per 1,000, respectively) than among urban infants (18.5 per 1,000 and 20.1 per 1,000). Infant mortality rates (and subsequently, under-5 mortality rates) were particularly influenced by the educational attainment of the mother. Infants born to women with less than 10 years of education had a $50 \%$ higher risk of dying than infants born to women with the highest educational attainment. Most of this risk was in the neonatal period, when babies born to the least educated women were 2.5 times more likely to die than those whose mothers were highly educated.

The risk of dying before 1 and 5 years of age, respectively, was about 1.5 times higher for births occurring within a birth interval of less than 24 months than for births occurring after an interval of 24 months or greater. This is exclusively due to a risk of dying in neonatal period for closely spaced births twice as high as for births 24 months or more apart.

Similarly, gender differentials in mortality rates were obvious only in the neonatal period, probably because girls have a well-known biological survival advantage soon after birth. Neonatal mortality among males was 1.5 times higher than among females ( 20.1 per 1,000 vs. 12.5 per 1,000), which contributed to higher infant and under-five mortality rates among males.

Figure 4.4
Infant and Child Under 5 Mortality Rates-Live Births in 1998-2003 and 2003-2008: Jamaica, 2008


A comparison of the most recent two 5-year periods prior to the survey shows that there has been a dramatic decline in the neonatal mortality rate (from 20.0 to 13.0 per 1,000), which in turn significantly lowered the infant and child under-5 mortality over the past 10 years (Table 4.4 and Figure 4.4). Infant mortality declined from a rate of 22.0 per 1,000 live births in 19982003 ( $95 \%$ Cl $14.4-29.8$ per 1,000) to 16.6 per 1,000 live births in 2003-2008 ( $95 \% \mathrm{Cl} 10.8-22.6$ per 1,000) ; the child-under-5 mortality rate declined from 24.4 per 1,000 live births $(95 \% \mathrm{Cl}$ $16.6-32.0$ per 1,000 ) to 18.2 per 1,000 live births ( $95 \% \mathrm{Cl} 12.2-24.2$ per 1,000 ) -a $25 \%$ drop. At the same time, the post-neonatal mortality, although very low, appears to have increased in the most recent period of time. Child mortality, which makes the lowest contribution to the under-5 mortality rate, had declined by $50 \%$, from 2.4 per 1,000 to 1.6 per 1,000.

In conclusion, child survival in Jamaica improved substantially over the past 10 years, mainly through reductions in neonatal mortality. Given that neonatal deaths account for $85 \%$ of infant mortality and $77 \%$ of child under-5 deaths, further reductions in child mortality will depend on continuous improvements in survival during the neonatal period. Reductions in neonatal deaths, particularly early neonatal deaths, will depend on provision of effective, individualized maternal and child care aimed at preventing birth asphyxia, prematurity, and maternal morbidity and mortality during labor and postpartum; correct management of neonatal infections through child-health services; and breastfeeding.

| Table 4.1.2 <br> Adequacy of Prenatal Care for High-risk Pregnancies Resulting in Live Births in 2003-2008 by Selected Characteristics <br> Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Characteristic | Adequacy of Prenatal Care |  |  |  | No. of Cases |
|  | Adequate | Partially <br> Adequate | Inadequate | Total |  |
| Total | 40.8 | 18.3 | 40.9 | 100.0 | 683 |
| Residence |  | 10.2 | 22.4 | 100.0 | 86 |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 67.3 |  |  |  |  |
| Other urban | 45.3 | 16.4 | 38.3 | 100.0 | 174423 |
| Rural | 28.4 | 22.4 | 49.2 | 100.0 |  |
| Health Region |  |  |  | 100.0 | 423 |
| 1 | 57.6 | 10.3 | 32.1 |  | $\begin{aligned} & 172 \\ & 147 \end{aligned}$ |
| 2 | 35.4 | 27.5 | 37.1 | 100.0 |  |
| 3 | 25.5 | 21.6 | 52.9 | 100.0 | 147 |
| 4 | 29.1 | 23.3 | 47.6 | 100.0 | 181 |
| Education level (in years) ${ }^{\ddagger}$ |  |  | 52.0 | 100.0 | 258 |
| 0-9 | 29.4 | 18.6 |  |  |  |
| 10-12 | 45.2 | 18.5 | 36.331.1 | 100.0 | 368 |
| 13 or more | 52.9 | 16.0 |  | 100.0 | 57 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  | 54.4 | 100.0 | 278 |
| Lowest | 25.3 | 20.2 |  |  |  |
| Second | 40.4 | 15.9 | 43.7 | 100.0 | 130 |
| Middle | 40.8 | 21.1 | 38.1 | 100.0 | 121 |
| Fourth | 54.2 | 17.9 | 27.9 | $\begin{aligned} & 100.0 \\ & 100.0 \end{aligned}$ | 7777 |
| Highest | 68.4 | 13.5 | 18.2 |  |  |
| Birth Order |  |  |  | 100.0 | 187 |
| 1 | 46.2 | $\begin{aligned} & 18.7 \\ & 15.7 \end{aligned}$ | 35.1 | 100.0 |  |
| 2 | 50.6 |  | 33.728.0 | $\begin{aligned} & 100.0 \\ & 100.0 \end{aligned}$ | 59 |
| 3 | 47.2 | 24.7 |  |  | 67 |
| 4 | 35.8 | $\begin{aligned} & 15.1 \\ & 18.0 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 49.2 \\ & 47.6 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 100.0 \\ & 100.0 \end{aligned}$ | 79291 |
| 5 or more | 34.4 |  |  |  |  |


| Table 4.1.3 <br> Percentage of Women Aged 15-49 Years Who Gave Birth in 2003-2008 and Were Vaccinated against Tetanus during Pregnancy and Number of Doses Given <br> Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Characteristic | Women Who Were Vaccinated against Tetanus during Pregnancy |  | Number Doses of Tetanus-toxoid Vaccine |  |  |  | Total | No. of Cases |
|  | \% | No. of <br> Cases | 1 | 2 | 3 or More | Not Sure |  |  |
| Total | 49.9 | 2,880 | 59.3 | 20.6 | 5.2 | 14.9 | 100.0 | 1,421 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 55.0 | 354 | 57.9 | 20.2 | 3.2 | 18.6 | 100.0 | 203 |
| Other urban | 47.8 | 764 | 51.9 | 21.2 | 7.1 | 19.8 | 100.0 | 373 |
| Rural | 49.6 | 1,762 | 65.3 | 20.4 | 4.5 | 9.7 | 100.0 | 845 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston | 53.8 | 210 | 53.1 | 17.6 | 7.1 | 22.3 | 100.0 | 118 |
| St. Andrew | 58.8 | 171 | 64.0 | 18.3 | 2.1 | 15.5 | 100.0 | 105 |
| St. Thomas | 48.6 | 189 | 69.1 | 19.0 | 1.3 | 10.7 | 100.0 | 97 |
| Portland | 27.4 | 188 | 58.7 | 22.4 | 0.0 | 18.9 | 100.0 | 48 |
| St. Mary | 43.4 | 175 | 56.9 | 21.4 | 8.5 | 13.2 | 100.0 | 69 |
| St. Ann | 55.4 | 252 | 72.0 | 13.2 | 3.4 | 11.4 | 100.0 | 136 |
| Trelawny | 55.9 | 187 | 51.4 | 30.2 | 3.8 | 14.6 | 100.0 | 104 |
| St. James | 47.2 | 225 | 39.5 | 29.1 | 12.2 | 19.2 | 100.0 | 102 |
| Hanover | 59.6 | 184 | 57.9 | 34.9 | 2.4 | 4.7 | 100.0 | 98 |
| Westmoreland | 52.7 | 205 | 83.4 | 11.8 | 2.2 | 2.5 | 100.0 | 124 |
| St. Elizabeth | 37.1 | 228 | 88.4 | 5.4 | 0.7 | 5.5 | 100.0 | 82 |
| Manchester | 55.3 | 248 | 66.1 | 21.9 | 3.4 | 8.6 | 100.0 | 132 |
| Clarendon | 53.1 | 254 | 47.2 | 36.8 | 7.7 | 8.3 | 100.0 | 133 |
| St. Catherine | 43.7 | 164 | 44.0 | 16.6 | 9.1 | 30.3 | 100.0 | 73 |
| Age group |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 57.0 | 150 | 64.9 | 24.7 | 5.3 | 5.1 | 100.0 | 80 |
| 20-24 | 49.0 | 626 | 63.0 | 18.7 | 7.5 | 10.8 | 100.0 | 306 |
| 25-29 | 47.4 | 754 | 52.7 | 25.8 | 4.3 | 17.2 | 100.0 | 345 |
| 30-34 | 48.8 | 581 | 61.3 | 20.1 | 3.3 | 15.2 | 100.0 | 302 |
| 35-39 | 53.1 | 465 | 60.2 | 15.6 | 7.3 | 17.0 | 100.0 | 237 |
| 40-44 | 48.5 | 241 | 62.8 | 18.4 | 3.0 | 15.8 | 100.0 | 119 |
| 45-49 | 67.1 | 63 | 34.5 | 21.0 | 0.0 | 44.5 | 100.0 | 32 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Married | 53.2 | 488 | 61.2 | 20.8 | 4.0 | 14.1 | 100.0 | 241 |
| Common law union | 48.9 | 1,056 | 55.9 | 25.7 | 5.0 | 13.3 | 100.0 | 518 |
| Visiting relationship | 50.1 | 938 | 61.2 | 15.9 | 5.9 | 17.1 | 100.0 | 473 |
| No steady relationship | 48.0 | 398 | 59.6 | 22.2 | 4.8 | 13.4 | 100.0 | 189 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-1 | 49.9 | 895 | 61.8 | 21.3 | 5.5 | 11.3 | 100.0 | 435 |
| 2 | 51.1 | 744 | 55.2 | 22.3 | 5.6 | 16.9 | 100.0 | 381 |
| 3 | 44.4 | 493 | 63.9 | 14.8 | 5.1 | 16.2 | 100.0 | 237 |
| 4 or more | 52.2 | 748 | 57.2 | 21.3 | 4.2 | 17.3 | 100.0 | 368 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-9 | 49.1 | 748 | 56.7 | 22.2 | 6.3 | 14.8 | 100.0 | 343 |
| 10-12 | 50.1 | 1,842 | 60.3 | 20.6 | 5.2 | 13.9 | 100.0 | 934 |
| 13 or more | 50.0 | 289 | 58.2 | 17.9 | 2.6 | 21.2 | 100.0 | 144 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 47.3 | 966 | 64.4 | 19.0 | 3.6 | 13.0 | 100.0 | 453 |
| Second | 44.2 | 622 | 61.4 | 21.5 | 6.8 | 10.3 | 100.0 | 281 |
| Middle | 51.8 | 578 | 53.4 | 23.8 | 4.9 | 17.9 | 100.0 | 303 |
| Fourth | 54.2 | 419 | 60.9 | 17.9 | 8.0 | 13.2 | 100.0 | 220 |
| Highest | 56.7 | 295 | 54.2 | 20.8 | 3.6 | 21.4 | 100.0 | 164 |

[^17]| Table 4.1.4 <br> Routine Screening of Blood Pressure during Pregnancy and Experience of High Blood Pressure during Pregnancy by Selected Characteristics Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica 2008 |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Characteristics | Routine Screening of Blood Presssure | No. of Cases | Experience of High Blood Pressure | No. of Cases |
| Total | 97.3 | 2,880 | 24.8 | 2,777 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 97.9 | 354 | 26.4 | 341 |
| Other urban | 97.2 | 764 | 27.0 | 732 |
| Rural | 97.1 | 1,762 | 22.6 | 1,704 |
| Parish |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston | 95.4 | 210 | 26.5 | 200 |
| St. Andrew | 98.0 | 171 | 26.3 | 167 |
| St. Thomas | 98.2 | 189 | 31.2 | 185 |
| Portland | 97.2 | 188 | 20.2 | 182 |
| St. Mary | 96.2 | 175 | 18.4 | 166 |
| St. Ann | 92.3 | 252 | 32.2 | 230 |
| Trelawny | 97.2 | 187 | 21.3 | 182 |
| St. James | 97.9 | 225 | 20.1 | 219 |
| Hanover | 97.3 | 184 | 17.4 | 179 |
| Westmoreland | 97.1 | 205 | 31.6 | 201 |
| St. Elizabeth | 99.0 | 228 | 20.0 | 225 |
| Manchester | 94.1 | 248 | 21.6 | 234 |
| Clarendon | 95.9 | 254 | 18.5 | 244 |
| St. Catherine | 99.7 | 164 | 30.0 | 163 |
| Age group |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 96.8 | 150 | 26.0 | 143 |
| 20-24 | 97.1 | 626 | 22.9 | 600 |
| 25-29 | 97.1 | 754 | 23.1 | 722 |
| 30-34 | 97.1 | 581 | 22.0 | 562 |
| 35-39 | 97.5 | 465 | 29.9 | 453 |
| 40-44 | 98.5 | 241 | 30.0 | 235 |
| 45-49 | 98.8 | 63 | 40.5 | 62 |
| Current union status |  |  |  |  |
| Married | 97.9 | 488 | 24.8 | 472 |
| Common law union | 96.6 | 1,056 | 23.8 | 1,014 |
| Visiting relationship | 97.3 | 938 | 26.8 | 905 |
| No steady relationship | 98.2 | 398 | 21.9 | 386 |
| Education level (in years)* |  |  |  |  |
| 0-9 | 96.7 | 748 | 27.1 | 719 |
| 10-12 | 97.4 | 1,842 | 24.1 | 1,779 |
| 13 or more | 97.5 | 289 | 24.9 | 278 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 97.7 | 966 | 24.5 | 935 |
| Second | 97.3 | 622 | 23.7 | 604 |
| Middle | 95.5 | 578 | 30.2 | 548 |
| Fourth | 97.7 | 419 | 20.3 | 403 |
| Highest | 98.6 | 295 | 23.9 | 287 |

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| Table 4.1.6 <br> Place of Most Prenatal Care for Women Aged 15-49 Years Who Gave Birth in 2003-2008 by Selected Characteristics <br> Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Place of Prenatal Care |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Characteristic | Government Health Clinic or Hospital | Government Hospital | Private Doctor or Clinic | Private Hospital | Other | Does Not Remember | Total | No. of Cases |
| Total | 71.6 | 4.4 | 19.5 | 3.4 | 0.5 | 0.6 | 100.0 | 2,829 |
| Residence <br> Kingston Metropolitan Area Other urban Rural |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 73.2 | 1.2 | 15.4 | 9.3 | 0.1 | 0.9 | 100.0 | 346 |
|  | 59.1 | 7.2 | 29.5 | 3.2 | 0.6 | 0.4 | 100.0 | 756 |
|  | 80.9 | 3.4 | 13.2 | 1.5 | 0.4 | 0.6 | 100.0 | 1,727 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston | 71.3 | 4.1 | 18.3 | 5.7 | 0.6 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 205 |
| St. Andrew | 73.0 | 1.5 | 14.1 | 10.5 | 0.0 | 0.9 | 100.0 | 168 |
| St. Thomas | 79.2 | 4.6 | 14.7 | 1.0 | 0.0 | 0.5 | 100.0 | 185 |
| Portland | 70.8 | 1.9 | 25.4 | 1.8 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 171 |
| St. Mary | 85.5 | 1.3 | 12.0 | 1.2 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 173 |
| St. Ann | 78.8 | 5.2 | 12.6 | 1.1 | 0.3 | 1.9 | 100.0 | 250 |
| Trelawny | 94.0 | 0.3 | 5.2 | 0.5 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 185 |
| St. James | 52.3 | 15.8 | 27.8 | 1.6 | 1.4 | 1.0 | 100.0 | 223 |
| Hanover | 79.1 | 2.7 | 16.8 | 0.7 | 0.0 | 0.7 | 100.0 | 181 |
| Westmoreland | 72.2 | 2.6 | 23.1 | 1.8 | 0.0 | 0.3 | 100.0 | 204 |
| St. Elizabeth | 85.7 | 0.3 | 13.0 | 1.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 226 |
| Manchester | 81.6 | 1.1 | 16.0 | 0.6 | 0.0 | 0.7 | 100.0 | 246 |
| Clarendon | 78.5 | 1.5 | 16.5 | 1.1 | 1.1 | 1.3 | 100.0 | 249 |
| St. Catherine | 53.2 | 8.9 | 32.2 | 4.6 | 1.1 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 163 |
| Age group |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 85.2 | 2.2 | 12.2 | 0.5 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 146 |
| 20-24 | 74.9 | 5.6 | 16.0 | 2.0 | 1.1 | 0.3 | 100.0 | 620 |
| 25-29 | 67.7 | 4.4 | 22.9 | 3.7 | 0.1 | 1.2 | 100.0 | 736 |
| 30-34 | 65.5 | 5.4 | 22.6 | 5.7 | 0.2 | 0.7 | 100.0 | 574 |
| 35-39 | 72.2 | 2.1 | 20.4 | 4.2 | 0.8 | 0.2 | 100.0 | 457 |
| $40-44$ | 76.5 | 4.8 | 16.8 | 1.9 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 234 |
| 45-49 | 81.2 | 2.4 | 12.2 | 3.1 | 0.0 | 1.2 | 100.0 | 62 |
| Current union status |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Married | 53.9 | 5.6 | 31.3 | 8.3 | 0.4 | 0.5 | 100.0 | 482 |
| Common law union | 76.6 | 3.9 | 15.9 | 2.7 | 0.4 | 0.5 | 100.0 | 1,032 |
| Visiting relationship | 75.6 | 4.7 | 16.1 | 2.2 | 0.7 | 0.8 | 100.0 | 921 |
| No steady relationship | 68.7 | 3.8 | 24.0 | 3.3 | 0.0 | 0.3 | 100.0 | 394 |
| Education level (in years)* |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 10-12 | 72.0 | 5.1 | 18.5 | 3.3 | 0.5 | 0.6 | 100.0 | 1,813 |
| 13 or more | 32.9 | 7.4 | 51.4 | 7.5 | 0.5 | 0.2 | 100.0 | 287 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 91.4 | 2.3 | 5.4 | 0.3 | 0.1 | 0.6 | 100.0 | 944 |
| Second | 80.1 | 4.6 | 12.3 | 1.4 | 1.1 | 0.4 | 100.0 | 613 |
| Middle | 70.9 | 3.1 | 20.8 | 3.8 | 0.4 | 1.0 | 100.0 | 568 |
| Fourth | 54.7 | 7.2 | 31.7 | 5.5 | 0.8 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 413 |
| Highest | 35.0 | 7.8 | 46.2 | 10.5 | 0.0 | 0.5 | 100.0 | 291 |

[^19]| Table 4.2.1 <br> Place of Delivery for Births in 2003-2008 by Selected Characteristics Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Characteristic | Place of Delivery |  |  |  |  |  | Total | No. of Cases |
|  | VJH, UHWI, CRH * | $\begin{aligned} & \text { SLMH, MH, } \\ & \text { SABH, STH }{ }^{\dagger} \end{aligned}$ | Other Government Hospital | Private <br> Hospital | At Home | Other |  |  |
| Total | 33.4 | 38.7 | 20.9 | 4.1 | 1.2 | 1.7 | 100.0 | 2,880 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 91.8 | 1.2 | 1.7 | 4.3 | 0.0 | 0.9 | 100.0 | 354 |
| Other urban | 21.0 | 51.4 | 19.8 | 6.2 | 0.4 | 1.1 | 100.0 | 764 |
| Rural | 21.5 | 42.6 | 28.8 | 2.3 | 2.3 | 2.4 | 100.0 | 1,762 |
| Parish |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston | 92.7 | 2.1 | 0.0 | 4.3 | 0.0 | 0.9 | 100.0 | 210 |
| St. Andrew | 92.6 | 0.8 | 1.8 | 4.0 | 0.0 | 0.8 | 100.0 | 171 |
| St. Thomas | 12.5 | 2.3 | 82.1 | 2.3 | 0.8 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 189 |
| Portland | 2.2 | 2.8 | 89.6 | 4.4 | 0.0 | 0.9 | 100.0 | 188 |
| St. Mary | 32.9 | 11.3 | 52.6 | 1.3 | 1.9 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 175 |
| St. Ann | 2.6 | 85.0 | 5.9 | 0.5 | 4.4 | 1.5 | 100.0 | 252 |
| Trelawny | 15.6 | 17.8 | 65.6 | 0.3 | 0.8 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 187 |
| St. James | 93.1 | 2.1 | 1.1 | 0.8 | 0.3 | 2.5 | 100.0 | 225 |
| Hanover | 38.4 | 20.7 | 2.5 | 31.6 | 1.1 | 5.6 | 100.0 | 184 |
| Westmoreland | 7.6 | 84.9 | 3.8 | 2.2 | 1.1 | 0.5 | 100.0 | 205 |
| St. Elizabeth | 1.0 | 47.1 | 40.6 | 0.6 | 1.9 | 8.8 | 100.0 | 228 |
| Manchester | 0.2 | 85.0 | 6.7 | 5.2 | 2.9 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 248 |
| Clarendon | 1.9 | 36.0 | 57.3 | 0.8 | 2.3 | 1.8 | 100.0 | 254 |
| St. Catherine | 16.5 | 67.6 | 6.4 | 7.7 | 0.8 | 1.1 | 100.0 | 164 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 40.1 | 36.8 | 20.9 | 2.0 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 150 |
| 20-24 | 37.1 | 34.8 | 24.7 | 0.7 | 0.9 | 1.8 | 100.0 | 626 |
| 25-29 | 32.1 | 41.2 | 19.0 | 4.1 | 1.5 | 2.1 | 100.0 | 754 |
| 30-34 | 30.6 | 39.6 | 20.9 | 6.0 | 1.2 | 1.7 | 100.0 | 581 |
| 35-39 | 27.9 | 39.4 | 21.7 | 7.3 | 1.7 | 2.0 | 100.0 | 465 |
| 40-44 | 36.6 | 40.7 | 16.0 | 4.4 | 1.4 | 0.8 | 100.0 | 241 |
| 45-49 | 39.8 | 38.6 | 12.9 | 5.5 | 2.0 | 1.2 | 100.0 | 63 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Married | 26.5 | 44.2 | 17.9 | 8.3 | 0.9 | 2.3 | 100.0 | 488 |
| Common law union | 32.5 | 39.1 | 22.5 | 3.0 | 1.5 | 1.4 | 100.0 | 1,056 |
| Visiting relationship | 35.9 | 37.0 | 21.2 | 3.0 | 1.5 | 1.3 | 100.0 | 938 |
| No steady relationship | 35.9 | 36.6 | 19.7 | 4.8 | 0.4 | 2.6 | 100.0 | 398 |
| Education level (in years) ${ }^{\ddagger}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-9 | 22.9 | 43.6 | 27.4 | 1.4 | 2.5 | 2.2 | 100.0 | 748 |
| 10-12 | 37.7 | 36.6 | 20.2 | 3.2 | 1.0 | 1.2 | 100.0 | 1,842 |
| 13 or more | 27.2 | 42.1 | 12.1 | 14.8 | 0.0 | 3.8 | 100.0 | 289 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 13.1 | 47.7 | 32.0 | 1.8 | 3.6 | 1.8 | 100.0 | 966 |
| Second | 36.5 | 37.4 | 23.4 | 1.0 | 0.5 | 1.2 | 100.0 | 622 |
| Middle | 43.9 | 36.9 | 15.9 | 2.0 | 0.4 | 0.9 | 100.0 | 578 |
| Fourth | 48.4 | 33.5 | 13.5 | 3.2 | 0.0 | 1.4 | 100.0 | 419 |
| Highest | 39.7 | 29.8 | 8.8 | 18.1 | 0.0 | 3.6 | 100.0 | 295 |

[^20]| Table 4.2.2 <br> Principal Person Who Assisted at Delivery of the Last Birth in 2003-2008 by Selected Characteristics Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Principal Person Who Assisted at Delivery |  |  |  |  |  |  | Total | No. of Cases |
| Characteristic | Doctor | Trained Nurse/ Midwife | Nana | Relatives | No One | Other |  |  |
| Total | 33.4 | 64.9 | 0.4 | 0.3 | 0.5 | 0.5 | 100.0 | 2,880 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 53.9 | 44.7 | 0.4 | 0.0 | 1.0 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 354 |
| Other urban | 34.5 | 64.2 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.3 | 0.8 | 100.0 | 764 |
| Rural | 25.1 | 72.8 | 0.6 | 0.6 | 0.5 | 0.5 | 100.0 | 1,762 |
| Parish |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston | 55.9 | 43.5 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 210 |
| St. Andrew | 57.1 | 41.1 | 0.7 | 0.0 | 1.0 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 171 |
| St. Thomas | 17.5 | 82.2 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 189 |
| Portland | 22.0 | 76.7 | 0.0 | 0.9 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 188 |
| St. Mary | 16.8 | 82.0 | 0.4 | 0.0 | 0.3 | 0.4 | 100.0 | 175 |
| St. Ann | 22.8 | 73.3 | 0.0 | 2.2 | 0.6 | 1.1 | 100.0 | 252 |
| Trelawny | 34.2 | 65.2 | 0.0 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 187 |
| St. James | 36.5 | 63.5 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 225 |
| Hanover | 24.8 | 75.2 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 184 |
| Westmoreland | 11.9 | 86.2 | 0.8 | 0.0 | 0.3 | 0.8 | 100.0 | 205 |
| St. Elizabeth | 16.3 | 81.8 | 0.3 | 0.8 | 0.5 | 0.3 | 100.0 | 228 |
| Manchester | 23.6 | 73.1 | 0.6 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 2.7 | 100.0 | 248 |
| Clarendon | 18.4 | 77.8 | 1.5 | 1.2 | 0.8 | 0.4 | 100.0 | 254 |
| St. Catherine | 46.2 | 52.7 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.6 | 0.5 | 100.0 | 164 |
| Age group |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 34.0 | 64.4 | 1.3 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 150 |
| 20-24 | 30.9 | 66.6 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.9 | 0.8 | 100.0 | 626 |
| 25-29 | 34.2 | 63.9 | 0.3 | 0.6 | 0.3 | 0.7 | 100.0 | 754 |
| 30-34 | 36.0 | 63.1 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.3 | 0.4 | 100.0 | 581 |
| 35-39 | 32.8 | 65.5 | 0.8 | 0.3 | 0.4 | 0.2 | 100.0 | 465 |
| 40-44 | 31.1 | 67.3 | 0.5 | 0.2 | 0.8 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 241 |
| 45-49 | 40.3 | 59.7 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 63 |
| Current union status |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Married | 43.7 | 55.1 | 0.4 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.6 | 100.0 | 488 |
| Common law union | 29.4 | 68.3 | 0.4 | 0.5 | 0.9 | 0.5 | 100.0 | 1,056 |
| Visiting relationship | 34.0 | 64.2 | 0.5 | 0.4 | 0.5 | 0.4 | 100.0 | 938 |
| No steady relationship | 29.9 | 69.1 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.6 | 100.0 | 398 |
| Education level (in years) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-9 | 25.8 | 71.3 | 1.0 | 0.8 | 0.5 | 0.7 | 100.0 | 748 |
| 10-12 | 33.1 | 65.4 | 0.3 | 0.2 | 0.5 | 0.5 | 100.0 | 1,842 |
| 13 or more | 51.1 | 48.5 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 100.0 | 289 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 18.4 | 78.9 | 0.5 | 0.8 | 0.8 | 0.5 | 100.0 | 966 |
| Second | 28.4 | 70.4 | 0.4 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 0.4 | 100.0 | 622 |
| Middle | 36.7 | 62.4 | 0.4 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.3 | 100.0 | 578 |
| Fourth | 42.4 | 56.0 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 1.1 | 0.4 | 100.0 | 419 |
| Highest | 59.1 | 38.9 | 0.5 | 0.0 | 0.5 | 1.0 | 100.0 | 295 |

[^21]Table 4.2.3
Percentage of Births in 2003-2008 Delivered by Cesarean Section by Selected Characteristics Reproductive Health Survey: 2008 Jamaica

| Characteristic | C-Section Deliveries | No. of Cases |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Total | 14.8 | 2,880 |
| Residence |  |  |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 14.8 | 354 |
| Other urban | 19.2 | 764 |
| Rural | 11.4 | 1,762 |
| Parish |  |  |
| Kingston | 11.9 | 210 |
| St. Andrew | 14.4 | 171 |
| St. Thomas | 10.8 | 189 |
| Portland | 11.0 | 188 |
| St. Mary | 9.7 | 175 |
| St. Ann | 15.6 | 252 |
| Trelawny | 15.4 | 187 |
| St. James | 16.7 | 225 |
| Hanover | 10.0 | 184 |
| Westmoreland | 5.5 | 205 |
| St. Elizabeth | 10.2 | 228 |
| Manchester | 14.6 | 248 |
| Clarendon | 12.1 | 254 |
| St. Catherine | 24.1 | 164 |
| Age group |  |  |
| 15-19 | 4.5 | 150 |
| 20-24 | 12.9 | 626 |
| 25-29 | 13.0 | 754 |
| 30-34 | 21.2 | 581 |
| 35-39 | 13.1 | 465 |
| 40-44 | 17.6 | 241 |
| 45-49 | 23.1 | 63 |
| Current union status |  |  |
| Married | 25.8 | 488 |
| Common law union | 13.0 | 1,056 |
| Visiting relationship | 12.7 | 938 |
| No steady relationship | 12.9 | 398 |
| Education level (in years)* |  |  |
| 0-9 | 10.0 | 748 |
| 10-12 | 14.0 | 1,842 |
| 13 or more | 29.3 | 289 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |
| Lowest | 7.5 | 966 |
| Second | 11.4 | 622 |
| Middle | 15.9 | 578 |
| Fourth | 16.3 | 419 |
| Highest | 32.4 | 295 |

[^22]| Table 4.3 <br> Prevalence of Smoking and Drinking during the Last Pregnancy and Number of Cigarettes Smoked among Women Aged 15-49 Who Gave Birth in 2003-2008 <br> by Selected Characteristics <br> Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Characteristics | \% Who Smoked During Pregnancy | Number of Cigarettes Smoked (per Day) |  |  | \% Who Drank during Pregnancy | No. of Cases |
|  |  | 1-4 | 5 or More | Does Not Remember |  |  |
| Total | 4.2 | 2.6 | 1.3 | 0.3 | 4.9 | 2,880 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 5.9 | 2.4 | 3.3 | 0.2 | 3.5 | 354 |
| Other urban | 4.4 | 3.1 | 0.7 | 0.6 | 6.5 | 764 |
| Rural | 3.4 | 2.3 | 0.9 | 0.2 | 4.2 | 1,762 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston | 6.0 | 2.8 | 2.2 | 0.9 | 3.2 | 210 |
| St. Andrew | 5.3 | 2.2 | 3.1 | 0.0 | 3.1 | 171 |
| St. Thomas | 2.5 | 1.7 | 0.9 | 0.0 | 5.1 | 189 |
| Portland | 2.1 | 0.6 | 0.6 | 0.8 | 5.0 | 188 |
| St. Mary | 4.3 | 2.9 | 1.5 | 0.0 | 7.5 | 175 |
| St. Ann | 4.8 | 3.6 | 0.9 | 0.4 | 4.2 | 252 |
| Trelawny | 7.2 | 5.0 | 0.9 | 1.2 | 11.8 | 187 |
| St. James | 5.4 | 2.1 | 1.3 | 1.9 | 4.8 | 225 |
| Hanover | 1.1 | 0.9 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 3.7 | 184 |
| Westmoreland | 1.9 | 1.4 | 0.0 | 0.5 | 5.8 | 205 |
| St. Elizabeth | 2.2 | 1.3 | 0.9 | 0.0 | 2.7 | 228 |
| Manchester | 1.9 | 1.0 | 1.0 | 0.0 | 3.8 | 248 |
| Clarendon | 7.4 | 5.8 | 1.6 | 0.0 | 7.9 | 254 |
| St. Catherine | 3.5 | 3.0 | 0.5 | 0.0 | 4.8 | 164 |
| Age group |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 2.1 | 2.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 3.4 | 150 |
| 20-24 | 3.0 | 2.4 | 0.7 | 0.0 | 4.0 | 626 |
| 25-29 | 4.7 | 3.0 | 0.8 | 0.8 | 5.1 | 754 |
| 30-34 | 4.0 | 2.7 | 1.3 | 0.1 | 5.0 | 581 |
| 35-39 | 4.7 | 1.7 | 2.4 | 0.7 | 6.2 | 465 |
| 40-44 | 5.7 | 2.4 | 3.3 | 0.0 | 5.2 | 241 |
| 45-49 | 10.9 | 10.3 | 0.6 | 0.0 | 7.7 | 63 |
| Current union status |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Married | 2.1 | 1.8 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 1.3 | 488 |
| Common law union | 5.9 | 2.9 | 2.4 | 0.7 | 6.4 | 1,056 |
| Visiting relationship | 3.5 | 2.5 | 0.9 | 0.1 | 4.9 | 938 |
| No steady relationship | 4.3 | 3.0 | 0.8 | 0.5 | 5.5 | 398 |
| Education level (in years)* |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-9 | 6.6 | 4.9 | 1.6 | 0.1 | 7.2 | 748 |
| 10-12 | 3.6 | 2.0 | 1.2 | 0.4 | 3.9 | 1,842 |
| 13 or more | 3.1 | 2.0 | 1.1 | 0.0 | 6.6 | 289 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 7.4 | 5.4 | 1.7 | 0.4 | 7.7 | 966 |
| Second | 4.6 | 2.2 | 1.6 | 0.8 | 6.0 | 622 |
| Middle | 2.0 | 1.3 | 0.6 | 0.1 | 2.3 | 578 |
| Fourth | 0.8 | 0.6 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 3.8 | 419 |
| Highest | 3.6 | 1.4 | 2.2 | 0.0 | 2.6 | 295 |

[^23]| Table 4.4 <br> Infant and Child Mortality Rates (Infant and Child Deaths per 1,000 Live Births) among Children Born in the Last 10 Years (June 1998-May 2008) by Selected Characteristics Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Characteristic | Infant Mortality |  |  | Child Mortality 1-4 Years | Under-5 Mortality (0-4 Years) | No. of Cases |
|  | Total | Neonatal | Postneonatal |  |  |  |
| Total | 19.4 | 16.5 | 2.9 | 1.9 | 21.3 | 6,626 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 21.2 | 18.0 | 3.2 | 2.2 | 23.3 | 812 |
| Other urban | 17.2 | 14.3 | 2.8 | 1.5 | 18.6 | 1,683 |
| Rural | 20.3 | 17.5 | 2.8 | 2.2 | 22.5 | 4,131 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Urban | 18.5 | 15.5 | 2.9 | 1.7 | 20.1 | 2,495 |
| Rural | 20.3 | 17.5 | 2.8 | 2.2 | 22.5 | 4,131 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 24.2 | 20.9 | 3.3 | 1.1 | 25.2 | 1,692 |
| 2 | 7.5 | 6.6 | 1.0 | 2.2 | 9.7 | 1,418 |
| 3 | 14.3 | 12.5 | 1.9 | 2.1 | 16.4 | 1,890 |
| 4 | 22.4 | 18.2 | 4.2 | 3.1 | 25.4 | 1,626 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| <25 | 18.5 | 16.2 | 2.3 | 3.0 | 21.5 | 3,004 |
| 25-49 | 20.1 | 16.7 | 3.4 | 0.9 | 21.0 | 3,622 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-9 | 27.0 | 23.4 | 3.6 | 2.0 | 29.0 | 2,023 |
| 10-12 | 16.5 | 14.5 | 2.0 | 1.7 | 18.1 | 4,019 |
| 13 or more | 16.3 | 9.7 | 6.6 | 3.2 | 19.5 | 584 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 15.7 | 13.2 | 2.5 | 1.3 | 17.1 | 2,427 |
| Second | 23.3 | 20.5 | 2.9 | 2.6 | 25.9 | 1,480 |
| Middle | 14.1 | 11.5 | 2.6 | 3.6 | 17.6 | 1,257 |
| Fourth/ Highest | 24.6 | 21.2 | 3.4 | 1.0 | 25.6 | 1,462 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 22.8 | 19.6 | 3.2 | 3.6 | 26.3 | 2,062 |
| 2 | 17.4 | 13.4 | 4.0 | 0.8 | 18.2 | 1,711 |
| 3 or more | 17.6 | 15.7 | 1.9 | 1.2 | 18.9 | 2,853 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| First LB | 22.8 | 19.6 | 3.2 | 3.6 | 26.3 | 2,062 |
| < 24 months | 27.0 | 24.5 | 2.5 | 2.9 | 29.8 | 711 |
| 24-47 months | 15.0 | 12.9 | 2.1 | 0.1 | 15.1 | 1,632 |
| 48 or more | 16.5 | 13.3 | 3.2 | 1.1 | 17.6 | 2,221 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Boy | 23.8 | 20.1 | 3.7 | 2.2 | 26.0 | 3,418 |
| Girl | 14.4 | 12.5 | 2.0 | 1.6 | 16.0 | 3,206 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| June 1998-May 2003 | 22.0 | 20.0 | 2.0 | 2.4 | 24.4 | 3,459 |
| June 2003-May 2008 | 16.6 | 13.0 | 3.6 | 1.6 | 18.2 | 3,167 |

* Excludes 3 women with missing information on education.
$\dagger$ Excludes 2 women who did not answer the sex of child.


## Chapter 5

## Contraceptive Knowledge

Lack of knowledge about modern methods of contraception is an important barrier to utilization of family planning services among women of reproductive age. Women who are not aware of modern contraceptive methods, do not know where they can be obtained, or do not understand how to use them correctly are more likely to have an unmet need for family planning than those who have been exposed to this information. Over the past four decades, information about family planning methods has been widely disseminated to women and families in Jamaica. Previous Reproductive Health Surveys in Jamaica demonstrated widespread and increasing knowledge of contraceptive methods. This chapter addresses knowledge of methods reported by survey participants in 2008, particularly exploring the trends in knowledge over the past two decades. It also focuses on Jamaican women's attitudes about birth spacing and the ideal interval of time between births.

### 5.1 Knowledge of Contraceptive Methods

The Jamaica 2008 RHS asked women whether they had heard of thirteen specific methods of contraception. This information can assist the Information, Education and Communication (IEC) and Behavior Change Communication (BCC) efforts and allow for the monitoring of improvements in knowledge over time. Table 5.1.1A and Figure 5.1.1 compare levels of awareness of the various methods among women aged 15-49 years.

Women of reproductive age in Jamaica appeared to be well aware of contraceptive methods. Virtually all respondents had heard of at least one modern method-though fewer were aware of at least one traditional method. Generally, all women were aware of the condom, the pill, and the hormonal injection, a hormone shot that given every two (Noristerat) or three months (Depo-Provera) to prevent a woman from becoming pregnant by inhibiting ovulation. Similarly, awareness of tubal sterilization and the female condom was also universal (96.4\% and 96.0\%). The least known modern method was the use of a spermicidal product (foaming tablets, creams, jelly, or vaginal suppositories). Most women of reproductive age were also aware of withdrawal ( $88.9 \%$ ) but fewer ( $60.6 \%$ ) were aware of periodic abstinence or other "safe-period" methods (the Calendar, Rhythm, and Billings methods).

Figure 5.1.1
Knowledge about Modern Contraceptive Methods among Women Aged 15-49 Years: Jamaica, 2008


Figure 5.1.2
Knowledge about Modern Contraceptive Methods among Women Aged 15-49 Years: Jamaica, 1989-2008


In all the surveys dating back to 1989, the three most well-known methods were the male condom, oral contraceptive pills, and injectables (Table 5.1.1A and Figure 5.1.2). As of 2008, knowledge of these methods approached universal awareness, with over $98 \%$ of women reporting they had heard of the methods. Knowledge of female sterilization was above $95 \%$. In contrast, knowledge of male sterilization (vasectomy) was only $64 \%$. Other less well-known methods include spermicides (47\%), calendar/rhythm/billings (60.6\%), Norplant (63.7\%), and diaphragm ( $68.3 \%$ ). Over time, the most notable change in knowledge was found for emergency hormonal contraception (morning after pill). Between the previous survey in 2002 and the 2008 survey, knowledge of emergency contraception increased by $82 \%$ (from $48.8 \%$ to 88.9\%).

Jamaican men aged 15-24 years were also most widely aware of condoms, pills, and injectables, although for the latter two methods they were somewhat less aware than women (Table 5.1.1B and Figure 5.1.3). With the exception of awareness of tubal ligation, young men reported far less knowledge of other permanent or long term methods than women aged 15-49 years ( $43.2 \%$ vs. $63.9 \%$ for vasectomy, $28.4 \%$ vs. $82.6 \%$ for the IUD, and 29.3 vs. $63.7 \%$, for Norplant).

Between 1993 and 2008, the young men's knowledge of the most known methods of contraception had improved slightly. Similar to the pattern observed for women, the most notable change in men's knowledge was the increase in awareness of emergency hormonal contraception by $65 \%$ (from $39.0 \%$ in 2002 to $64.4 \%$ in 2008).

Figure 5.1.3
Knowledge about Modern Contraceptive Methods among Men Aged 15-24 Years: Jamaica, 2008


Table 5.1.2 shows that women's knowledge has varied little by age group and survey year for the three most well-known contraceptive methods (condom, pill, injectables). Generally, younger women demonstrated slightly less knowledge of most other methods compared to older women, with the exception of emergency hormonal contraception.

With the exception of the three most well-known methods (condom, pill, injectables) knowledge of contraceptive methods was generally lower in rural areas compared to Kingston Metropolitan Area and other urban areas (Table 5.1.3), a pattern which has been true over multiple surveys. The urban/rural knowledge difference was particularly notable for lesserknown methods such as male sterilization, diaphragm, Norplant, and calendar/rhythm/Billings, and urban/rural differentials in knowledge of these methods was greater in 2008 compared to prior surveys.

Women's level of education was positively associated with knowledge of contraceptive methods (Table 5.1.4). This was particularly true, again, for lesser-known methods, most notably calendar/rhythm/Billings, spermicides, and male sterilization. In 2008, the knowledge gap was significant for emergency contraception as well, with almost $97 \%$ of women with 13 or more years of education having heard of the morning after pill, compared to only $67 \%$ of women with 0-9 years of schooling. Although the educational differential in knowledge of a full range of contraceptive methods was consistent across the three surveys conducted in the past decade, it was greater in 2008 compared to past surveys.

### 5.2 Ideal Birth Interval

Attitudes about family formation and timing of births are closely related to knowledge and use of family planning methods. The Jamaica RHS 2008 asked all respondents aged 15-49 years what they considered an ideal length of time between births. Table 5.2 shows that more than half (53.8\%) preferred an interval of more than 4 years, followed by 2 to 4 years (37.4\%). Only 4 percent of women reported preferring an interval of fewer than two years, and less than 2 percent would leave it up to fate or God. The proportion reporting an ideal interval of more than 4 years has steadily increased in Jamaica over the past three surveys, from $40 \%$ in 1997 and $46 \%$ in 2002 (data not shown). Women residing in Kingston were more likely to prefer an interval of more than four years compared to rural residents, as were women aged 20-29 years and those in the highest wealth quintile.

| Table 5.1.1AContraceptive Awareness among Women Aged 15-49 Years <br> by Specified Contraceptive MethodReproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008, 2002, 1997, 1993, 1989 |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Survey Year |  |  |  |  |
| Contraceptive Method | 2008 | 2002 | 1997 | 1993* | 1989 |
| Condom | 99.9 | 99.4 | 99.3 | 98.5 | 98.9 |
| Pill | 99.7 | 99.2 | 99.3 | 99.1 | 99.0 |
| Injectables | 98.7 | 98.8 | 99.0 | 97.1 | 96.0 |
| Female sterilization | 96.4 | 94.6 | 94.9 | 95.1 | 92.0 |
| Female condom | 96.0 | † | + | + | † |
| Withdrawal | 88.9 | 83.9 | 83.7 | 75.1 | 58.7 |
| Emergency contraception ("morning after pill") | 83.6 | 48.8 | 11.4 | $\ddagger$ | $\ddagger$ |
| IUD | 82.6 | 81.6 | 83.4 | 84.1 | 83.1 |
| Diaphragm | 68.3 | 66.2 | 70.3 | 65.3 | 61.3 |
| Male sterilization | 63.9 | 69.5 | 64.9 | 57.9 | 55.8 |
| Norplant | 63.7 | 47.1 | 36.6 | 21.8 | + |
| Calendar/Rhythm/Billings | 60.6 | 48.2 | 50.1 | 43.4 | 34.9 |
| Spermicides | 47.0 | 50.1 | 64.3 | 60.2 | 57.9 |
| No. of Cases | 8,259 | 7,168 | 6,383 | 3,110 | 6,112 |

[^24]| Table 5.1.1BContraceptive Awareness among Adult Men Aged 15-24 Yearsby Specified Contraceptive MethodReproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008, 2002, 1997, 1993 |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Survey Year |  |  |  |
| Contraceptive Method | 2008 | 2002 | 1997 | 1993 |
| Condom | 99.9 | 99.5 | 98.8 | 98.0 |
| Pill | 95.4 | 97.4 | 96.6 | 94.4 |
| Female condom | 88.5 | $\dagger$ | $\dagger$ | $\dagger$ |
| Injectables | 86.9 | 92.1 | 92.2 | 80.7 |
| Withdrawal | 71.2 | 76.3 | 73.8 | 69.1 |
| Female sterilization | 73.2 | 74.6 | 73.0 | 76.4 |
| Emergency contraception ("morning after pill") | 64.4 | 39.0 | $\dagger$ | $\dagger$ |
| Male sterilization | 43.2 | 49.9 | 52.6 | 37.8 |
| Diaphragm | 34.8 | 44.0 | 38.7 | 33.4 |
| IUD | 28.4 | 35.5 | 40.6 | 35.4 |
| Norplant | 29.3 | 27.5 | 22.6 | 10.0 |
| Calendar/Rhythm/Billings | 25.9 | 27.2 | 29.5 | 23.2 |
| Spermicides | 26.7 | 23.8 | 33.5 | 21.8 |
| No. of Cases | 2,775 | 2,437 | 2,279* | 1,052 |

* Data on knowledge of contraceptive methods is missing for 1 man in the 1997 survey.

| Table 5.1.2 <br> Contraceptive Awareness among Women Aged 15-49 Years by Specified Contraceptive Method and Age Group Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008, 2002, 1997 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Contraceptive Method | Total | Age Group |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  | 15-19 | 20-24 | 25-29 | 30-34 | 35-39 | 40-44 | 45-49 |
|  | 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Condom | 99.9 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 99.9 | 100.0 | 99.9 | 99.6 |
| Pill | 99.7 | 99.1 | 99.9 | 99.3 | 99.8 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Injectables | 98.7 | 95.6 | 98.6 | 99.1 | 99.6 | 99.9 | 99.5 | 99.7 |
| Female sterilization | 96.4 | 89.2 | 97.0 | 98.8 | 98.3 | 97.3 | 98.4 | 99.2 |
| Withdrawal | 88.9 | 75.8 | 89.1 | 93.4 | 94.3 | 91.5 | 91.6 | 90.7 |
| Morning after pill | 83.6 | 80.1 | 92.5 | 91.1 | 87.5 | 80.9 | 74.3 | 70.3 |
| IUD | 82.6 | 59.2 | 77.4 | 86.6 | 90.8 | 92.3 | 92.8 | 91.5 |
| Diaphragm | 68.3 | 56.7 | 66.6 | 68.5 | 72.6 | 74.5 | 70.1 | 75.5 |
| Male sterilization | 63.9 | 53.9 | 58.4 | 68.3 | 65.9 | 68.3 | 67.1 | 72.6 |
| Norplant | 63.7 | 52.0 | 66.5 | 71.2 | 67.9 | 66.9 | 59.9 | 61.6 |
| Calendar/Rhythm/Billings | 60.6 | 55.7 | 62.7 | 63.2 | 65.0 | 58.9 | 58.7 | 59.8 |
| Spermicides | 47.0 | 39.4 | 41.2 | 48.0 | 47.1 | 52.2 | 50.8 | 58.0 |
| Other* | 2.5 | 1.6 | 4.2 | 3.6 | 2.9 | 1.4 | 1.2 | 2.1 |
| No. of Cases | 8,259 | 1,229 | 1,114 | 1,350 | 1,219 | 1,221 | 1,084 | 1,042 |
|  | 2002 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Condom | 99.4 | 99.4 | 99.6 | 99.2 | 99.5 | 99.3 | 99.2 | 99.4 |
| Pill | 99.2 | 98.2 | 99.5 | 99.1 | 99.7 | 99.7 | 99.2 | 99.5 |
| Injectables | 98.8 | 97.2 | 99.0 | 99.1 | 99.5 | 99.1 | 98.7 | 99.0 |
| Female sterilization | 94.6 | 87.8 | 92.2 | 94.4 | 96.8 | 97.8 | 98.2 | 98.3 |
| Withdrawal | 83.9 | 71.0 | 86.0 | 86.8 | 90.3 | 87.4 | 86.2 | 80.9 |
| IUD | 81.6 | 59.6 | 76.3 | 83.4 | 90.3 | 90.2 | 89.3 | 90.6 |
| Male sterilization | 69.5 | 59.2 | 66.1 | 67.9 | 76.3 | 75.1 | 73.4 | 71.6 |
| Diaphragm | 66.2 | 60.4 | 61.7 | 65.1 | 70.9 | 70.4 | 70.5 | 65.6 |
| Spermicides | 50.1 | 37.0 | 41.2 | 44.1 | 53.2 | 58.4 | 64.0 | 62.5 |
| Calendar/ rhythm | 48.2 | 40.6 | 47.0 | 49.4 | 53.5 | 50.2 | 50.7 | 46.9 |
| Norplant | 47.1 | 37.4 | 49.0 | 49.8 | 55.5 | 50.4 | 44.4 | 42.2 |
| Morning after pill | 48.8 | 48.7 | 58.6 | 53.2 | 51.7 | 46.9 | 39.5 | 37.7 |
| Other | 13.4 | 12.9 | 14.7 | 14.4 | 16.6 | 12.8 | 9.7 | 7.4 |
| No. of Cases | 7,168 | 989 | 937 | 1,176 | 1,311 | 1,160 | 921 | 674 |
|  | 1997 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Condom | 99.3 | 99.0 | 99.7 | 99.7 | 99.2 | 99.7 | 98.1 | 99.0 |
| Pill | 99.3 | 98.1 | 99.7 | 99.9 | 99.5 | 99.6 | 98.8 | 100.0 |
| Injectables | 99.0 | 98.0 | 99.0 | 99.5 | 99.4 | 99.5 | 99.1 | 99.0 |
| Female sterilization | 94.9 | 87.2 | 95.2 | 95.9 | 97.8 | 98.1 | 97.5 | 98.2 |
| Withdrawal | 83.7 | 68.3 | 87.4 | 89.9 | 87.9 | 88.7 | 84.8 | 82.6 |
| IUD | 83.4 | 63.1 | 82.3 | 88.2 | 90.9 | 90.6 | 92.7 | 91.9 |
| Male sterilization | 64.9 | 54.4 | 62.4 | 68.4 | 69.2 | 69.5 | 70.1 | 68.4 |
| Diaphragm | 70.3 | 59.7 | 66.6 | 72.7 | 74.0 | 75.2 | 77.1 | 79.1 |
| Spermicides | 64.3 | 48.4 | 58.6 | 66.4 | 70.8 | 72.8 | 77.5 | 73.4 |
| Calendar/ rhythm | 50.1 | 39.3 | 50.6 | 51.3 | 56.2 | 55.0 | 52.6 | 51.0 |
| Norplant | 36.6 | 31.1 | 40.3 | 40.7 | 40.0 | 36.4 | 30.9 | 31.6 |
| Morning after pill | 11.4 | 6.8 | 15.2 | 15.1 | 15.4 | 8.8 | 6.3 | 7.4 |
| No. of Cases | 6,383 | 959 | 1,031 | 1,233 | 1,195 | 934 | 610 | 421 |

[^25]Table 5.1.3
Contraceptive Awareness among Women Aged 15-49 Years by Specified Contraceptive Method and Area of Residence Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008, 2002, 1997

| Contraceptive Method | Total | Area of Residence |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Kingston Metropolitan Area | Other Urban | Rural |
|  | 2008 |  |  |  |
| Condom | 99.9 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 99.9 |
| Pill | 99.7 | 99.9 | 99.6 | 99.6 |
| Injectables | 98.7 | 99.1 | 98.1 | 98.9 |
| Female sterilization | 96.4 | 98.6 | 96.2 | 95.6 |
| Withdrawal | 88.9 | 94.7 | 89.7 | 85.5 |
| Emergency contraception ("morning after pill") | 83.6 | 88.2 | 87.0 | 78.5 |
| IUD | 82.6 | 88.3 | 83.2 | 79.5 |
| Diaphragm | 68.3 | 78.4 | 71.3 | 61.0 |
| Male sterilization | 63.9 | 70.9 | 67.5 | 57.6 |
| Norplant | 63.7 | 85.5 | 64.0 | 53.0 |
| Calendar/Rhythm/Billings | 60.6 | 80.6 | 61.8 | 50.1 |
| Spermicides | 47.0 | 59.3 | 50.3 | 38.3 |
| Other * | 2.5 | 0.9 | 3.4 | 2.6 |
| No. of Cases | 8,259 | 1,198 | 2,283 | 4,778 |
|  | 2002 |  |  |  |
| Condom | 99.4 | 98.7 | 99.6 | 99.5 |
| Pill | 99.2 | 98.9 | 99.7 | 99.0 |
| Injectables | 98.8 | 98.3 | 99.2 | 98.7 |
| Female Sterilization | 94.6 | 92.1 | 96.6 | 94.4 |
| Withdrawal | 83.9 | 85.0 | 88.5 | 79.9 |
| IUD | 81.6 | 85.8 | 85.2 | 76.8 |
| Male Sterilization | 69.5 | 77.7 | 75.4 | 61.1 |
| Diaphragm | 66.2 | 73.5 | 72.2 | 58.2 |
| Spermicides | 50.1 | 56.4 | 57.3 | 41.7 |
| Calendar/ rhythm/ billings | 48.2 | 60.9 | 54.1 | 37.5 |
| Emergency contraception ("morning after pill") | 48.8 | 53.4 | 57.3 | 41.7 |
| Norplant | 47.1 | 66.1 | 50.0 | 35.5 |
| Other | 13.4 | 12.0 | 15.3 | 12.8 |
| No. Of Cases | 7,168 | 1,144 | 2,079 | 3,945 |
|  | 1997 |  |  |  |
| Condom | 99.3 | 99.7 | 99.3 | 99.0 |
| Pill | 99.3 | 99.3 | 99.3 | 99.3 |
| Injectables | 99.0 | 99.3 | 98.3 | 99.0 |
| Female sterilization | 94.9 | 95.0 | 93.1 | 95.3 |
| Withdrawal | 83.7 | 87.7 | 85.5 | 80.2 |
| IUD | 83.4 | 87.6 | 81.1 | 81.0 |
| Male sterilization | 64.9 | 75.6 | 66.1 | 56.6 |
| Diaphragm | 70.3 | 77.8 | 73.9 | 63.5 |
| Spermicides | 64.3 | 69.9 | 64.8 | 59.9 |
| Calendar/ rhythm/ billings | 50.1 | 57.0 | 53.4 | 44.0 |
| Emergency contraception ("morning after pill") | 11.4 | 15.9 | 13.3 | 7.5 |
| Norplant | 36.6 | 45.8 | 36.9 | 29.8 |
| No. of Cases | 6,383 | 1,450 | 1,093 | 3,840 |

[^26]| Table 5.1.4 <br> Contraceptive Awareness among Women Aged 15-49 Years by Specified Contraceptive Method and Education Level Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008, 2002, 1997 |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Contraceptive Method | Total | Education Level (in Years)* |  |  |
|  |  | 0-9 | 10-12 | 13 or more |
|  | 2008 |  |  |  |
| Condom | 99.9 | 99.8 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Pill | 99.7 | 99.2 | 99.8 | 99.9 |
| Injectables | 98.7 | 97.5 | 99.2 | 98.0 |
| Female sterilization | 96.4 | 94.3 | 96.8 | 98.6 |
| Withdrawal | 88.9 | 81.3 | 89.7 | 98.0 |
| Emergency contraception ("morning after pill") | 83.6 | 67.3 | 86.6 | 96.9 |
| IUD | 82.6 | 76.0 | 82.7 | 93.6 |
| Diaphragm | 68.3 | 52.6 | 68.9 | 91.9 |
| Male sterilization | 63.9 | 49.3 | 63.2 | 91.5 |
| Norplant | 63.7 | 49.0 | 64.9 | 82.6 |
| Calendar/Rhythm/Billings | 60.6 | 42.0 | 61.6 | 87.0 |
| Spermicides | 47.0 | 31.4 | 46.2 | 76.8 |
| Other ${ }^{\dagger}$ | 2.5 | 0.9 | 2.7 | 4.3 |
| No. of Cases | 8,256 | 2,183 | 5,078 | 995 |
|  | 2002 |  |  |  |
| Condom | 99.4 | 98.4 | 99.6 | 99.4 |
| Pill | 99.2 | 98.8 | 98.8 | 99.5 |
| Injectables | 98.8 | 97.2 | 98.7 | 99.0 |
| Female Sterilization | 94.6 | 94.5 | 93.3 | 95.4 |
| Withdrawal | 83.9 | 71.8 | 79.1 | 88.2 |
| IUD | 81.6 | 76.3 | 77.3 | 84.7 |
| Male Sterilization | 69.5 | 53.2 | 59.3 | 77.5 |
| Diaphragm | 66.2 | 46.4 | 58.0 | 73.5 |
| Spermicides | 50.1 | 36.9 | 42.9 | 55.8 |
| Emergency contraception ("morning after pill") | 48.8 | 30.1 | 38.4 | 57.3 |
| Calendar / Rhythm | 48.2 | 31.0 | 37.9 | 56.1 |
| Norplant | 47.1 | 33.0 | 42.1 | 50.4 |
| Other | 13.4 | 7.3 | 10.6 | 15.9 |
| No. of Cases | 7,168 | 638 | 2,529 | 3,924 |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| Condom | 99.3 | 98.7 | 99.6 | 99.7 |
| Pill | 99.3 | 98.7 | 99.6 | 99.7 |
| Injectables | 99.0 | 98.6 | 99.2 | 99.5 |
| Female Sterilization | 94.9 | 94.2 | 94.6 | 98.0 |
| Withdrawal | 83.7 | 77.9 | 85.4 | 91.9 |
| IUD | 83.4 | 79.0 | 83.7 | 93.3 |
| Male Sterilization | 64.9 | 52.0 | 68.1 | 86.0 |
| Diaphragm | 70.3 | 58.6 | 73.3 | 88.1 |
| Spermicides | 64.3 | 55.3 | 65.9 | 80.6 |
| Emergency contraception ("morning after pill") | 11.4 | 5.2 | 11.9 | 25.3 |
| Calendar / Rhythm | 50.1 | 37.4 | 52.0 | 74.2 |
| Norplant | 36.6 | 25.5 | 39.1 | 55.1 |
| No. of Cases | 6,383 | 2,325 | 3,284 | 719 |

[^27]| Table 5.2 <br> Opinions about the Ideal Interval between Births among Women Aged 15-49 Years by Select Characteristics Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Characteristic | Ideal Interval berween Births |  |  |  |  | Total | No. of Cases |
|  | More than 4 Years | 2-4 Years | $\left\|\begin{array}{c} \text { Less than } 2 \\ \text { Years } \end{array}\right\|$ | "Up to God" | Not Stated |  |  |
| Total | 53.8 | 37.4 | 4.0 | 1.6 | 3.2 | 100.0 | 8,259 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 61.7 | 29.6 | 2.7 | 1.7 | 4.3 | 100.0 | 1,198 |
| Other urban | 51.1 | 40.0 | 4.6 | 1.9 | 2.4 | 100.0 | 2,283 |
| Rural | 52.4 | 38.9 | 4.1 | 1.3 | 3.4 | 100.0 | 4,778 |
| Health region |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 55.6 | 35.2 | 3.8 | 2.0 | 3.3 | 100.0 | 2,340 |
| 2 | 58.3 | 30.8 | 5.0 | 1.3 | 4.5 | 100.0 | 1,761 |
| 3 | 51.0 | 40.2 | 3.6 | 1.3 | 4.0 | 100.0 | 2,313 |
| 4 | 49.8 | 43.5 | 4.1 | 1.1 | 1.5 | 100.0 | 1,845 |
| Age group |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 55.4 | 32.6 | 5.6 | 1.4 | 5.0 | 100.0 | 1,229 |
| 20-24 | 59.2 | 32.6 | 4.5 | 0.9 | 2.8 | 100.0 | 1,114 |
| 25-29 | 57.8 | 34.9 | 2.7 | 1.3 | 3.3 | 100.0 | 1,350 |
| 30-34 | 51.7 | 40.2 | 3.5 | 1.8 | 2.9 | 100.0 | 1,219 |
| 35-39 | 52.9 | 38.9 | 3.2 | 1.5 | 3.5 | 100.0 | 1,221 |
| 40-44 | 45.9 | 45.7 | 4.2 | 2.4 | 1.8 | 100.0 | 1,084 |
| 45-49 | 48.6 | 42.9 | 4.0 | 2.6 | 2.0 | 100.0 | 1,042 |
| Current relationship status |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Married | 45.7 | 46.2 | 3.3 | 2.2 | 2.5 | 100.0 | 1,441 |
| Common law union | 56.7 | 34.7 | 3.8 | 1.7 | 3.1 | 100.0 | 2,158 |
| Visiting relationship | 56.8 | 35.8 | 3.4 | 1.1 | 2.9 | 100.0 | 2,279 |
| No steady relationship | 52.6 | 36.7 | 5.1 | 1.7 | 3.9 | 100.0 | 2,381 |
| No. of children born alive |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0 | 51.3 | 37.8 | 5.2 | 1.8 | 3.8 | 100.0 | 2,208 |
| 1 | 59.9 | 31.7 | 3.2 | 1.1 | 4.1 | 100.0 | 1,707 |
| 2 | 55.3 | 36.1 | 4.4 | 1.7 | 2.5 | 100.0 | 1,632 |
| 3 | 55.3 | 38.3 | 3.2 | 1.4 | 1.7 | 100.0 | 1,110 |
| 4 or more | 47.8 | 45.1 | 2.6 | 1.9 | 2.6 | 100.0 | 1,602 |
| Education level (in years)* |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-9 | 50.0 | 38.6 | 5.0 | 1.6 | 4.7 | 100.0 | 2,183 |
| 10-12 | 57.7 | 34.6 | 3.3 | 1.6 | 2.8 | 100.0 | 5,078 |
| 13 or more | 42.0 | 48.3 | 5.6 | 1.5 | 2.7 | 100.0 | 995 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 53.4 | 36.8 | 4.7 | 1.9 | 3.3 | 100.0 | 2,001 |
| Second | 57.5 | 35.2 | 2.9 | 1.3 | 3.1 | 100.0 | 1,716 |
| Middle | 57.3 | 32.8 | 4.0 | 2.1 | 3.8 | 100.0 | 1,668 |
| Fourth | 53.8 | 38.1 | 4.1 | 1.0 | 3.0 | 100.0 | 1,650 |
| Highest | 47.4 | 43.9 | 4.2 | 1.6 | 2.9 | 100.0 | 1,224 |

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## Chapter 6

## Contraceptive Use

Chapter 6 examines different aspects of contraceptive use, including past experience with contraception, first and current use, and the source of methods and/or information about contraceptive methods. The chapter also explores current users' desire to use a different contraceptive method, current non-users' intention to use a method in the future, and contraceptive failure and discontinuation. This chapter particularly highlights trends in contraceptive use in Jamaica since 1989, and key characteristics associated with use of different contraceptive methods. Chapters 7, 8, and 9 present different aspects associated with the use of most prevalent modern contraceptive methods. Further analyses on circumstances of nonuse and the met and unmet need for contraception are included in Chapter 10.

### 6.1 Ever Use of Contraceptives

Table 6.1.1 and Figure 6.1.1 present the multi-survey comparisons of the percent of women of reproductive age (15-49 years) who report ever having used any contraceptive method. In 2008, $85 \%$ of all women aged 15-49 years had ever used a contraceptive method. After a continuous increase between 1989 and 2002, the percentage of women who had ever used contraceptives leveled off in the past decade, with the level in 2008 comparable to the 2002 estimate.

Figure 6.1.1
Trends in Ever-use of Contraception among All Women Aged 15-49 Years: Jamaica, 1989-2008


Ever-use of any method was highest in health region 4, among women ever married or in union, and among those with a postsecondary education. It was lowest among never married women (those with no steady relationship) (56.5\%), women aged 15-19 years (41.6\%), and women with no living children (58.3\%). Regardless of the type of method, ever-use generally increases as number of living children, educational attainment, and age of the women increases.

Table 6.1.2 and Figure 6.1.2 show contraceptive experience by method. The most commonly used contraceptive method continued to be the condom, with $76.6 \%$ of women in the 2008 RHS reporting having used it. Condom use more than doubled between 1989 and 2008; the largest increase in condom use was between 1997 and 2002, when the ever-use increased by $24 \%$ (from $58.7 \%$ to $72.7 \%$ ). The second most ever-used method in 2008 was the pill ( $53.8 \%$ ), followed by withdrawal (37.5\%), and injectables (33.8\%). No substantial changes in these percentages were observed since 2002. Ever use of emergency contraception, however, increased from 3.9 to 10.9\% between 2002 and 2008.


Tables 6.1.3-6.1.8 show the associations between contraceptive experience among users of different methods and selected key characteristics in the 2008 survey alone. Table 6.1.3 presents contraceptive experience by area of residence. Residents of urban areas other than the Kingston Metropolitan Area and those residing in rural areas reported higher prevalence of ever-use of contraception ( $86.9 \%$ and $85.4 \%$, respectively). This tendency held for the three most commonly used methods (condom, pill, and injectables), for example, 81 percent of women residing in other urban areas reported ever-use of condom whereas this was true of only 67.8 percent of Kingston Metropolitan Area residents.

Table 6.1.4 shows women's contraceptive experience by parish. The highest percentages of any method use were documented in the following parishes: Clarendon (90.8\%), St. Elizabeth
(88.4\%), and Trelawny (88.2\%). The lowest reporting of contraceptive experience was found in St. Andrew (79.2\%). Clarendon has the highest percentage of respondents who have experience using emergency contraception (18.5\%).

Table 6.1.5 shows the breakdown of contraceptive experience among women by health region. Health Region 4 has the highest percentage of all methods combined ( $88.7 \%$ ), and the highest percentage of respondents using each of the most commonly used methods, including condom (84.0\%), pill (62.2\%), injectables (43.2\%), and emergency contraception (13.6\%).

Ever-use of contraceptive methods among women by age is shown in Table 6.1.6. Ever use of any contraceptive method was directly correlated with age, from 41.6\% among 15-19-year-olds to over $90 \%$ among women aged 20 years or older. However, age differences are likely to be confounded by the time of sexual debut—only $43.5 \%$ of women aged 15-19 reported sexual experience compared to over $90 \%$ among the older age-groups—and by the length of exposure, older women having had a longer time being exposed to the risk of unintended pregnancy and thus more likely to have used contraception. As expected, ever-use of female sterilization increased slowly but steadily with age, with the highest prevalence found among women aged 45-49 years ( $25.8 \%$ ). Reflecting the more recent introduction of this method in Jamaica, everuse of emergency contraception was the highest at ages 20-24 and 25-29 years (19.2 and $19.3 \%$, respectively) and the lowest among women aged 45-49 years.

Table 6.1.7 displays contraceptive experience according to the number of live births the respondent has had. The rapid increase in contraceptive experience was observed after women had their first live birth, for all methods combined as well as for many of the most commonly used methods, including condom, the pill, and injectables. Emergency contraception was more common among women with fewer children born alive, and female sterilization was the highest among women with four or more children (27.6\%).

Table 6.1 .8 shows the association between contraceptive experience with various methods and the respondent's education level. The women with 13 or more years of schooling have the highest percentage of ever-use of all methods combined (88.0\%), although only slightly higher than women with 10 to 12 years of schooling ( $85.1 \%$ ). Most well-educated women were more likely to report the highest ever-use of most contraceptive methods; however, for injectables and female sterilization, women with the lowest level of schooling had the highest percentage of ever-use ( $46.5 \%$ and $13.0 \%$, respectively).

### 6.2 First Use of Contraceptives

Table 6.2.1 shows the women's mean age when they first used a contraceptive method, according to the last 3 Reproductive Health Surveys conducted in Jamaica. The mean age has not changed substantially over time, with the average being age 19. Table 6.2.2 and Figure 6.2 show that the percentage of women with no live birth at the time of first contraceptive experience has increased gradually since 1993. The largest increase (by more than 10
percentage points) occurred between 2002 and 2008 (from 53.7\% to 65.4\%). This recent increase in the proportion of women who started contraceptive experience before starting childbearing was constant across the different characteristics. For example, well educated and less educated women alike were more likely to have used a method before having had their first live birth in 2008, compared with their counterparts in 2002.

Figure 6.2
Number of Living Children at the Time Women Aged 15-49 Years
First Used a Contraceptive Method: Jamaica, 1997-2008


### 6.3 Current Use of Contraceptives

In 2008, $72.5 \%$ of women currently in union (defined as women in legal, common-law, or visiting unions) reported that they or their partners currently use a method of contraception (defined as use of a method in the 30 days prior to the interview), a slight increase from the 2002 estimate of $69.1 \%$ (Table 6.3.1). There was little variation in the contraceptive prevalence rate by key background characteristics, probably due to the high contraceptive prevalence, with the exception of the direct increase in prevalence with the number of children born alive (Figure 6.3.1).

Figure 6.3.1
Trends in the Current Use of Contraception by Number of Children Born Alive among Women in Union Aged 15-49 Years: Jamaica, 1997-2008


Contraceptive prevalence had increased considerably between 1993 and 2008 (from 61.9\% to $72.5 \%$ among women in union). The increase was generalized, following higher use in all health regions, and in all educational and socioeconomic status sub-groups.

Most of the increase was accounted for by the rise in use of condoms or injectables (Table 6.3.2). The proportion of women in union whose partners were using condoms more than tripled, from $7.6 \%$ in 1993 to $25.3 \%$ in 2008; the highest rate of increase occurred between 1989 and 1993, presumably as a result of intensified campaigns to prevent transmission of the HIV/AIDS and the introduction of condoms for dual-method use in the NFPB program in the early 1990s. Consequently, the condom has been the most commonly used method since 2002 (Table 6.3.2 and Figure 6.3.2). The second most used method in 2008 was the pill, whose prevalence peaked in 1993 and 1997, and declined slightly thereafter. The third most popular method in 2008 was hormonal injectables, whose use increased abruptly after 1993. As a result, it replaced female sterilization, which had been the third most-used method until the late 1990s. Thus, the condom, the pill, injectables, and female sterilization were documented in subsequent survey cycles as being the four most widely used methods in Jamaica, but their respective order of prevalence has shifted over time.

Figure 6.3.2
Trends in Current Contraceptive Use of Selected Methods Women in Union Aged 15-49 Years: Jamaica, 1989-2008


Based on the current age of women reporting current contraceptive use, the mean age of women using the most common contraceptive methods did not change substantially across four surveys conducted in Jamaica since 1993 (Table 6.3.3). As expected, users of long-term and permanent methods, such as female sterilization and the IUD, were more likely to have older average ages ( 37.5 years and 34.3 years, respectively, among all women, and 37.4 years and 33.7 years among women in union) compared to those using condoms, pills, or injectables.

Virtually all (94.3\%) of Jamaican couples who use contraception rely on modern methods of contraception for limiting childbearing (including condom, pill, injectables, female sterilization, vasectomy, IUD, spermicides and diaphragm), with very few using traditional methods, such as withdrawal and the rhythm method (Table 6.3.4). The proportion of users who relied on a modern method use did not vary significantly by residence or region, was slightly higher for younger than older women, was slightly higher among women in a visiting relationship than among those in formal unions, and was not significantly associated with educational or socioeconomic status. Traditional methods were most commonly used by married women (7.1\%).

Table 6.3.5 and Figure 6.3 .3 show trends in current contraceptive prevalence among all women aged 15-49 years, by the type of union at the time of the interview. Interestingly, women in a non-union sexual relationship ("boyfriend with sex") reported similar levels of contraceptive use as women in legal, common-law or visiting unions, and in fact accounted for the highest percentage of current use in 2008 ( $73.8 \%$ ). Current use was very low among women without a regular partner (11\%) and among those currently in a platonic ("boyfriend without sex") relationship (2.4\%). There were major differences in the choice of method among women in
different types of relationships, however. In 2008, for example, the most commonly used method among all women, regardless of their marital status, was the condom, but currently sexually active unmarried women and those in a visiting union relationship were much more likely than women in legal and consensual unions to report condom use by their partners (46.5\% and $31.9 \%$ vs. $17.1 \%$ and $21.3 \%$ ). Pill use was comparable in prevalence among women in union and among unmarried sexually active women, but the use of injectables was much more common among women in union. Female sterilization showed the largest disparity by union status. Whereas almost one fourth (23.3\%) of married women had been contraceptively sterilized, only $8.1 \%$ of women in a common-law relationship and $5.0 \%$ of women in a visiting union had done so.

Figure 6.3.3
Trends in Current Use of Contraception among All Women and Women in Union Relationships Aged 15-49 Years: Jamaica, 1997-2008


Tables 6.3.6 through 6.3.11 present current contraceptive use of specific methods by women's selected characteristics of all women and those in union for the 2008 Jamaica RHS. First, Table 6.3.6 shows the breakdown by 4 health regions. The differences among health regions in use of specific contraceptive methods were small. Condom use was slightly more common among couples residing in health region 3 while injectables were slightly more popular in Health Region 4. Withdrawal use, although very low, was twice as common in region 4 as in the other regions.

Table 6.3.7 shows the age distribution of current users by different contraceptive methods. Across all age groups of all women, the condom was the leading method, reaching the highest level of use among partners of women aged $20-24$ years (29.6\%). Condoms account for $60 \%$ of the method mix among adolescents, 46\% among women aged 20-24 years, 32\% among women aged 25-39 years, and 27\% among women aged 40-49 years. Other methods showed different patterns of use by age. Hormonal methods, such as the pill and injectables, were more common
among all women aged 25-29 years (19.5\% and 15.4\%, respectively); among these women, hormonal methods are almost as prevalent as the condom use. Older women rely more on permanent methods; female sterilization increased from 2\% among all 25-29-year-olds, to $20.9 \%$ among all women aged $40-44$ years and $25.8 \%$ among women aged $45-49$ years. $A$ similar pattern can be observed among women in union.

Contraceptive use increased with parity (Table 6.3.8). Women with no children born alive relied almost exclusively on condoms (accounting for 66\% of their method mix) and the pill (accounting for $24 \%$ of their prevalence). Women with 1-3 live births were more likely to use hormonal methods, while those with four or more children were more likely to be contraceptively sterilized. This pattern was true for women in union as well.

Table 6.3.9 shows the association between education level and current use of specific contraceptive methods. Similar to the pattern observed in the earlier tables on contraceptive experience, the use of condoms and pills was most prevalent among women with the highest educational attainment (accounting for $42 \%$ and $29 \%$, respectively, of their contraceptive method mix), whereas the use of long-term or permanent methods, such as female sterilization and injectables, was the most common among women with 0-9 years of schooling. This pattern persists after restricting the analysis to women currently in union.

Contraceptive prevalence was substantially lower (42\%) among women who attended religious services weekly than among women that attend these services less frequently or only on special occasions (59.4\% and 64.9\%) (Table 6.3.10). This may be due to the fact that frequency of church attendance is associated with other individual characteristics that are correlated with sexual experience (e.g. current age group), particularly among women not in union, since these differences narrow greatly when the analysis is restricted to women in union.

Table 6.3.11 shows that $21.4 \%$ of Jamaican women were using a second contraceptive method in addition to the primary method. Since the 1990s, the NFPB has supported the integration of efforts aimed at preventing HIV and other STIs into its program and has introduced the condom for dual method use. Consequently, the most commonly used secondary method was the condom (19.7\%)(Table 6.3.12), accounting for $92 \%$ of dual-method use. The use of a secondary method of contraception was the highest among pill users $-41.4 \%$ of them reported their partners were also using condoms-and among women using natural methods-42.0\% of them reporting condom use by their partners. Table 6.1.13 shows that women using a secondary contraceptive method were more likely to be in the age range between 20-29 years and among those with the highest number of years of schooling. The pattern and differentials of dual method use were similar among women in union.

### 6.4 Source of Contraceptives

Table 6.4.1 and Figure 6.4.1 present the most commonly used contraceptive methods by source of methods and by area of residence (urban versus rural) for all women and users currently in union. Sources varied greatly according to the contraceptive method used. Private pharmacies were the predominant sources for methods that require periodic re-supply, such as condoms and oral contraceptives. For example, among current condom users, almost one half ( $47 \%$ ) cited pharmacies as their main source, whereas one-fourth cited shops or supermarkets as the main source. The pharmacy was a more common source of condoms in urban areas and a shop or a supermarket were more common source of condoms in rural areas. Women in rural areas also obtained condoms from a public health clinic/centre, their third most commonly used source. Among pill users, pharmacy was the most frequently cited source, followed by public health clinic/centre, for both urban and rural areas. Among injectables users, the vast majority of women, regardless of union status, cited a public health clinic/centre across urban and rural areas ( $89.8 \%$ of all women, $89.9 \%$ of women in union). Female sterilization was most likely to be obtained at government hospitals, regardless of area of residence ( $83.8 \%$ of all women, $82.3 \%$ of women in union). Similar patterns can be observed among women not in union across the three most recent surveys shown in Table 6.4.2.

Figure 6.4.1
Source of Supply for Modern Contraceptive Methods Among All Women Aged 15-49 Years Currently Using a Method


Table 6.4.3 shows that among women who obtained contraceptives from government sources, about half reported that the family planning services were available at any time ( $51.2 \%$ ), and the other half reported "only certain times" (47.3\%). This is a significant improvement compared to previous surveys, when fewer women said they had access to family planning services at any time (Figure 6.4.2). In 2008, women in the Kingston metropolitan area and Health Region 3 were most likely to rate the availability of family planning services high (58.6\% and 67.2\%, respectively).


Multi-survey comparisons in Table 6.4.4 show that the travel time to main source of contraceptives did not improve significantly in 2008. Urban residence, residence in Health Region 1, and higher wealth index of the household continued to be associated with better access to contraceptives in 2008 as in 2002.

### 6.5 Desire to Use a Different Contraceptive Method

Women aged 15-49 years who were currently in union and were using a contraceptive method during the 30 days prior to interview were asked: "Would you prefer to use a different method of family planning from the one you are currently using?" As shown in the first column of Table 6.5.1, only $12.6 \%$ of the women in union who were currently using contraceptives reported they would prefer to use a different method, indicating that the vast majority of Jamaican women were satisfied with their current method. Among women desiring a different method, the most commonly preferred methods were: the pill (21.6\%), injectables (20.9\%), and Norplant (19.0\%), followed by female sterilization (14.7\%).

The preferred contraceptive method varied by the current method being used. Among current condom users, the most preferred methods were the pill (28.0\%) and injectables (27.8\%), whereas current pill users would prefer to switch to injectables (28.6\%), Norplant (23.1\%), or female sterilization (20.7\%). Among current users of injectables, the pill was most preferred (33.6\%), followed by Norplant (27.9\%), and to a lesser degree, by female sterilization (12.2\%). Table 6.5.2 lists the reasons for not using the preferred method by selected characteristics among these 444 women. The most commonly mentioned reasons were "still thinking about it" (35.5\%), "fear of side effects" (21.3\%) , and less frequently "difficult to obtain or difficult to access" (12.0\%) and "doctor will not prescribe" (6.5\%).

### 6.6 Intention to Use Contraceptives among Non-users

Sexually experienced women who were not using any contraceptive method the time of the survey were asked if they plan to use a method in the future. Table 6.6 .1 shows that $57.2 \%$ expressed interest in using a method at some time in the future. This intention was more likely to be expressed by women who resided in Health Region 4, were young, and well educated. The desire for future contraceptive use was inversely correlated to the number of children born alive, probably because women with high number of live births are also much older than childless women. Among women who desired to use a method, the most commonly mentioned method was the condom ( $39.5 \%$ ), followed by the pill ( $23.5 \%$ ) and injectables ( $16.9 \%$ ) (Table 6.6.2).

### 6.7 Contraceptive Failure and Discontinuation

Contraceptive failure rates (i.e., the probability of becoming pregnant while using a contraceptive method) and discontinuation rates (i.e., the probability of stopping use of a contraceptive method for any reason, including getting pregnant) were calculated using information collected through detailed month-by-month pregnancy and contraceptive use histories (Table 6.7.1). The estimates should be considered conservative because some women may not have reported pregnancies ending in abortions; if they were using contraceptives at the time of conception of a pregnancy later terminated in abortion, the corresponding method failure would not have been captured in their histories. Thus, the true rates are probably somewhat higher than those shown in this section.

Monthly probabilities of failure and of discontinuing contraceptive use for all respondents who used a contraceptive method during the observed period (January 2003-May 2009) were estimated using life-table analysis. Linking these probabilities, 12-, 24-, and 36-month contraceptive failure and discontinuation rates can be calculated. These rates represent the proportion of users who stopped using their method within the first year, second year, or third year of use for any reason (the discontinuation rate) or because they became pregnant while using the method (the failure rate). The 12-, 24-, and 36 -month intervals of use refer to
uninterrupted use; a new interval starts when a woman begins to use a method for the first time or when she resumes its use after a period during which she had used another or no method. Because only the use of a single method can be evaluated during any month, the more effective of two methods used during the same month was recorded.

An estimated $8.4 \%$ of respondents became pregnant during the first year of using a method, $15.8 \%$ became pregnant after 2 years, and $21.3 \%$ became pregnant after 3 years. Failure rates varied considerably by type of contraceptive method used. As expected, female sterilization had the lowest failure rate at 1,2 , and 3 years of use: between $0.6 \%$ and $0.9 \%$ of sterilization users became pregnant. The IUD users, although very few, also reported very low failure rates. Condom users reported failure rates of $9.7 \%$ during the first year, $17.4 \%$ after 2 years, and $24.7 \%$ after 3 years. Failure rate for oral contraceptives ranged from $5.7 \%$ at one year to $19.9 \%$ at 3 years. The highest failure rates at 12, 24, and 36 months of use were reported by users of the rhythm method and withdrawal (one in four women reported becoming pregnant after one year of use), which highlights the need for increased information, education, and counseling efforts to promote correct use of more effective contraceptive methods.

Overall, $41 \%$ of respondents discontinued their method within 1 year, $58 \%$ within 2 years, and $69 \%$ within 3 years of use (Table 6.7.1). About a fifth of discontinuations after 12 months of use were caused by method failure(Table 6.7.2). After method failure, the most cited reasons for discontinuation were intention to switch to another method (7.7\% of discontinuations), experience of side effects ( $7.4 \%$ of discontinuations), and sporadic sexual activity ( $6 \%$ of discontinuations). The main reason for discontinuation varied greatly with type of contraceptive method. The discontinuation rate in the first year of use for hormonal methods was heavily influenced by side effects or health concerns associated with their use. Women whose partners were using condoms discontinued use mainly because of method failure or intention to use another method. Method failure was by far the most important reason for discontinuation of withdrawal and the rhythm method.

| Table 6.1.1 <br> Ever-Use of Contraceptive Methods among Women Aged 15-49 Years by Selected Characteristics <br> Reproductive Health Surveys: Jamaica, 2008, 2002, 1997, and 1993* |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Characteristic | 2008 |  | 2002 |  | 1997 |  | 1993 |  |
|  | \% | No. of Cases | \% | No. of Cases | \% | No. of Cases | \% | No. of Cases |
| Total | 84.8 | 8,259 | 85.3 | 7,168 | 80.2 | 6,384 | 79.2 | 3,110 |
| Residence Kingston Metropolitan Area Other urban |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 79.7 | 1,198 | 84.5 | 1,144 | 81.2 | 1,450 | $\dagger$ | $\dagger$ |
|  | 86.9 | 2,283 | 85.7 | 2,079 | 78.8 | 1,094 | 82.6 | 872 |
| Rural | 85.4 | 4,778 | 85.4 | 3,945 | 80.3 | 3,840 | 77.4 | 2,238 |
| Health region |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 82.8 | 2,340 | 86.0 | 2,974 | $\dagger$ | $\dagger$ | $\dagger$ | $\dagger$ |
| 2 | 85.0 | 1,761 | 84.3 | 1,177 | $\dagger$ | $\dagger$ | $\dagger$ | $\dagger$ |
| 3 | 85.1 | 2,313 | 83.6 | 1,602 | $\dagger$ | $\dagger$ | $\dagger$ | $\dagger$ |
| 4 | 88.7 | 1,845 | 85.6 | 1,415 | $\dagger$ | $\dagger$ | $\dagger$ | $\dagger$ |
| Age group |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 41.6 | 1,229 | 46.8 | 989 | 45.4 | 960 | 47.5 | 553 |
| 20-24 | 91.0 | 1,114 | 90.2 | 937 | 83.0 | 1,031 | 82.1 | 628 |
| 25-29 | 95.5 | 1,350 | 93.8 | 1,176 | 92.5 | 1,233 | 92.8 | 667 |
| 30-34 | 96.0 | 1,219 | 95.9 | 1,311 | 93.0 | 1,195 | 90.7 | 594 |
| 35-39 | 96.8 | 1,221 | 94.2 | 1,160 | 91.4 | 934 | 92.4 | 420 |
| 40-44 | 95.1 | 1,084 | 94.2 | 921 | 90.2 | 610 | 81.1 | 248 |
| 45-49 | 92.3 | 1,042 | 93.5 | 674 | 83.2 | 421 | NA | 0 |
| Relationship status |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Married | 97.3 | 1,441 | 95.8 | 1,542 | 93.2 | 1,185 | 92.1 | 488 |
| Common law union | 96.9 | 2,158 | 97.1 | 1,733 | 94.9 | 1,839 | 92.4 | 904 |
| Visiting relaionship | 98.7 | 2,279 | 97.2 | 1,959 | 94.9 | 1,624 | 91.4 | 892 |
| No steady relationship | 56.5 | 2,381 | 60.1 | 1,934 | 51.0 | 1,736 | 50.0 | 826 |
| No. of children born alive |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0 | 58.3 | 2,208 | 57.4 | 1,788 | 50.6 | 1,627 | 51.3 | 863 |
| 1 | 97.2 | 1,707 | 95.8 | 1,486 | 91.9 | 1,350 | 89.0 | 662 |
| 2 | 97.7 | 1,632 | 97.0 | 1,423 | 95.2 | 1,236 | 91.3 | 579 |
| 3 | 98.7 | 1,110 | 98.3 | 1,036 | 95.2 | 904 | 95.8 | 412 |
| 4 or more | 98.4 | 1,602 | 97.7 | 1,435 | 94.7 | 1,267 | 95.3 | 584 |
| Education level (in years) ${ }^{\ddagger}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-9 | 81.9 | 2,183 | 87.3 | 638 | 80.9 | 2,325 | $\dagger$ | $\dagger$ |
| 10-12 | 85.1 | 5,078 | 85.3 | 2,529 | 79.5 | 3,285 | $\dagger$ | $\dagger$ |
| 13 or more | 88.0 | 995 | 85.0 | 3,924 | 82.6 | 719 | $\dagger$ | $\dagger$ |
| Church attendance ${ }^{\text {§ }}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| At least weekly | 74.8 | 2,856 | 77.9 | 2,707 | 70.2 | 2,060 | 64.8 | 474 |
| At least monthly | 87.2 | 1,417 | 89.1 | 1,368 | 81.5 | 1,223 | 77.7 | 277 |
| Less than monthly | 89.8 | 1,256 | 90.6 | 861 | 62.5 | 909 | 85.7 | 1,277 |
| Special occasions | 92.9 | 1,820 | 90.9 | 1,631 | 89.2 | 1,532 | $\dagger$ | $\dagger$ |
| Never | 89.8 | 892 | 87.5 | 524 | 85.6 | 613 | 81.2 | 160 |

[^29]| Table 6.1.2Ever-Use of Contraceptive Methods among Women Aged 15-49 Yearsby Specified Contraceptive Method Used and by Survey YearReproductive Health Surveys: Jamaica, 2008, 2002, 1997, 1993* and 1989* |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Contraceptive Method | Survey Year |  |  |  |  |
|  | 2008 | 2002 | 1997 | 1993 | 1989 |
| Any Method | 84.8 | 85.3 | 80.2 | 79.2 | 70.5 |
| Modern Method |  |  |  |  |  |
| Condom | 76.6 | 72.7 | 58.7 | 52.5 | 32.8 |
| Pill | 53.8 | 56.5 | 52.4 | 51.2 | 47.6 |
| Injectables | 33.8 | 33.6 | 27.8 | 24.0 | 22.7 |
| Emergency contraception ("morning-after pill") | 10.9 | 3.9 | $\dagger$ | $\dagger$ | $\dagger$ |
| Female sterilization | 7.8 | 9.9 | 10.0 | 10.1 | 11.0 |
| IUD | 3.5 | 4.9 | 5.1 | 5.0 | 5.5 |
| Female condom | 3.3 | $\dagger$ | $\dagger$ | $\dagger$ | $\dagger$ |
| Spermicides | 1.5 | 2.5 | 3.4 | 2.8 | 3.6 |
| Norplant | 0.7 | 0.5 | 0.5 | 0.5 | $\dagger$ |
| Diaphragm | 0.2 | 0.9 | 1.0 | 1.0 | 0.7 |
| Male sterilization ${ }^{\ddagger}$ | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.1 |
| Other | 0.4 | 0.4 | $\dagger$ | $\dagger$ | $\dagger$ |
| Traditional method Withdrawal | 37.5 | 39.1 | 29.3 | 19.5 | 13.6 |
| Calendar/Rhythm/Billings | 8.8 | 8.6 | 5.6 | 7.8 | 2.9 |
| No. of Cases | 8,259 | 7,168 | 6,383 | 3,110 | 6,112 |

[^30]Table 6.1.3
Ever-Use of Contraceptive Methods among Women Aged 15-49 Years by Specified Contraceptive Method Used and by Area of Residence Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008

| Contraceptive Method | Total | Area of Residence |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Kingston Metropolitan Area | Other Urban Areas | Rural Areas |
| Used any method | 84.8 | 79.7 | 86.9 | 85.4 |
| Used at least one modern method | 84.2 | 79.1 | 86.4 | 84.8 |
| Condom | 76.6 | 67.8 | 81.1 | 77.0 |
| Pill | 53.8 | 43.3 | 58.5 | 54.8 |
| Injectables | 33.8 | 29.1 | 31.3 | 38.1 |
| Emergency contraception ("morning-after pill") | 10.9 | 9.1 | 14.2 | 9.0 |
| Female sterilization | 7.8 | 7.2 | 8.2 | 7.8 |
| IUD | 3.5 | 4.5 | 3.5 | 3.0 |
| Female condom | 3.3 | 3.3 | 3.6 | 3.1 |
| Spermicides | 1.5 | 1.2 | 1.7 | 1.4 |
| Norplant | 0.7 | 1.5 | 0.4 | 0.6 |
| Diaphragm | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.3 | 0.2 |
| Male sterilization | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.1 |
| Other | 0.4 | 0.2 | 0.4 | 0.5 |
| Used at least one traditional method | 38.9 | 32.8 | 43.8 | 37.6 |
| Withdrawal | 37.5 | 30.8 | 42.2 | 36.7 |
| Calendar/rhythm/Bilings | 8.8 | 9.8 | 10.2 | 7.2 |
| No. of Cases | 8,259 | 1,198 | 2,283 | 4,778 |


| Table 6.1.4 <br> Ever-Use of Contraceptive Methods among Women Aged 15-49 Years by Specified Contraceptive Method Used and by Parish of Residence Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Parish of Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Contraceptive Method | Total | Kingston | $\begin{array}{\|c\|} \hline \text { St. } \\ \text { Andrew } \\ \hline \end{array}$ | St. <br> Thomas | Portland | $\begin{aligned} & \hline \text { St. } \\ & \text { Mary } \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { St. } \\ \text { Ann } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Tre- } \\ & \text { lawny } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { St. } \\ \text { James } \end{gathered}$ | Hanover | Westmoreland | $\begin{array}{\|c\|} \hline \text { St. } \\ \text { Elizabeth } \\ \hline \end{array}$ | Manchester | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Clar- } \\ & \text { endon } \end{aligned}$ | St. Catherine |
| Used any method | 84.8 | 84.4 | 79.2 | 87.4 | 85.2 | 83.8 | 85.8 | 88.2 | 87.2 | 78.4 | 84.1 | 88.4 | 86.6 | 90.8 | 85.4 |
| Used modern methods | 84.2 | 84.0 | 78.3 | 87.0 | 83.9 | 83.2 | 85.7 | 88.0 | 86.3 | 78.0 | 83.6 | 88.3 | 86.5 | 89.5 | 85.0 |
| Condom | 76.6 | 71.6 | 64.7 | 81.7 | 74.3 | 67.1 | 82.4 | 79.0 | 82.2 | 72.3 | 79.4 | 81.9 | 83.1 | 86.4 | 78.6 |
| Pill | 53.8 | 53.5 | 41.0 | 54.2 | 54.7 | 55.5 | 56.8 | 49.1 | 56.2 | 41.5 | 57.3 | 60.7 | 65.1 | 60.7 | 56.6 |
| Injectables | 33.8 | 41.0 | 27.9 | 44.2 | 44.9 | 34.2 | 32.6 | 39.4 | 30.7 | 21.5 | 31.0 | 46.1 | 44.8 | 39.6 | 28.7 |
| Emergency contraception | 10.9 | 11.8 | 7.8 | 5.6 | 13.8 | 9.9 | 10.3 | 5.8 | 9.3 | 10.9 | 9.5 | 11.0 | 10.3 | 18.5 | 13.5 |
| Female sterilization | 7.8 | 6.0 | 7.9 | 7.0 | 10.0 | 9.2 | 7.8 | 9.9 | 8.5 | 6.3 | 8.1 | 4.8 | 8.4 | 5.0 | 9.1 |
| IUD | 3.5 | 3.7 | 4.6 | 2.8 | 3.8 | 2.0 | 4.7 | 4.0 | 3.6 | 1.9 | 3.9 | 2.6 | 3.9 | 1.8 | 3.1 |
| Female condom | 3.3 | 2.8 | 3.2 | 2.1 | 3.6 | 4.2 | 2.3 | 3.7 | 2.4 | 4.2 | 3.2 | 3.8 | 3.0 | 3.0 | 4.1 |
| Spermicides | 1.5 | 1.0 | 1.2 | 0.9 | 3.0 | 1.1 | 1.9 | 0.8 | 1.1 | 0.5 | 1.5 | 2.1 | 0.9 | 1.9 | 1.8 |
| Norplant | 0.7 | 1.0 | 1.7 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 1.0 | 1.3 | 0.2 | 0.5 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.6 | 0.7 |
| Diaphragm | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.2 | 0.4 | 0.7 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.4 | 0.1 | 0.6 | 0.1 |
| Male sterilization | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.4 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Other | 0.4 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 1.0 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.7 | 0.3 | 0.8 | 0.6 | 0.9 | 0.9 | 0.1 |
| Used traditional methods | 38.9 | 41.2 | 29.6 | 30.9 | 50.8 | 24.8 | 28.0 | 39.1 | 50.8 | 61.9 | 30.4 | 30.2 | 28.5 | 74.6 | 39.7 |
| Withdrawal | 37.5 | 37.8 | 28.1 | 29.6 | 47.5 | 23.9 | 27.5 | 39.0 | 49.7 | 61.5 | 28.9 | 30.2 | 27.9 | 72.7 | 37.8 |
| Calendar/Rhythm/Billings | 8.8 | 14.7 | 7.8 | 9.3 | 20.3 | 6.6 | 3.3 | 2.4 | 6.3 | 11.7 | 6.3 | 1.5 | 6.5 | 15.6 | 11.9 |
| No. of Cases | 8,259 | 644 | 636 | 504 | 516 | 542 | 703 | 516 | 635 | 541 | 621 | 528 | 668 | 649 | 556 |


| Table 6.1.5 <br> Ever-Use of Contraceptive Methods among Women Aged 15-49 Years by Specified Contraceptive Method Used and by Health Region Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Health Region |  |  |  |
| Contraceptive Method | Total | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| Used any method | 84.8 | 82.8 | 85.0 | 85.1 | 88.7 |
| Used at least one modern method | 84.2 | 82.2 | 84.5 | 84.5 | 88.1 |
| Condom | 76.6 | 72.4 | 75.4 | 79.3 | 84 |
| Pill | 53.8 | 49.6 | 55.9 | 53.2 | 62.2 |
| Injectables | 33.8 | 30.3 | 35.6 | 30.8 | 43.2 |
| Emergency contraception ("morning-after pill") | 10.9 | 10.5 | 10.8 | 9.0 | 13.6 |
| Female sterilization | 7.8 | 8.2 | 8.7 | 8.3 | 6.1 |
| IUD | 3.5 | 3.8 | 3.6 | 3.5 | 2.7 |
| Female condom | 3.3 | 3.5 | 3.2 | 3.1 | 3.2 |
| Spermicides | 1.5 | 1.5 | 1.8 | 1.1 | 1.6 |
| Norplant | 0.7 | 1.1 | 1.0 | 0.2 | 0.3 |
| Diaphragm | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.2 | 0.3 | 0.4 |
| Male sterilization | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.1 |
| Other | 0.4 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.6 | 0.8 |
| Used at least one traditional method | 38.9 | 35.1 | 31.3 | 44.1 | 46.7 |
| Withdrawal | 37.5 | 33.3 | 30.1 | 43.1 | 45.7 |
| Calendar/Rhythm/Billings | 8.8 | 10.2 | 7.7 | 6.5 | 8.6 |
| No. of Cases | 8,259 | 2,340 | 1,761 | 2,313 | 1,845 |


| Table 6.1.6 <br> Ever-Use of Contraceptive Methods among Women Aged 15-49 Years by Specified Contraceptive Method Used and by Age Group Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Contraceptive Method | Total | Age Group |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  | 15-19 | 20-24 | 25-29 | 30-34 | 35-39 | 40-44 | 45-49 |
| Used any method | 84.8 | 41.6 | 91.0 | 95.5 | 96.0 | 96.8 | 95.1 | 92.3 |
| Used at least one modern method | 84.2 | 41.4 | 90.3 | 95.1 | 95.6 | 96.0 | 94.1 | 91.7 |
| Condom | 76.6 | 39.8 | 87.0 | 88.8 | 89.2 | 83.4 | 81.5 | 73.5 |
| Pill | 53.8 | 12.7 | 49.2 | 64.0 | 67.7 | 68.8 | 67.5 | 64.0 |
| Injectables | 33.8 | 7.2 | 27.4 | 40.4 | 42.9 | 49.6 | 40.2 | 40.2 |
| Emergency contraception ("morning-after pill") | 10.9 | 4.4 | 19.2 | 19.3 | 12.5 | 8.5 | 6.0 | 1.6 |
| Female sterilization | 7.8 | 0.0 | 0.3 | 2.1 | 8.0 | 11.5 | 20.9 | 25.8 |
| IUD | 3.5 | 0.1 | 1.5 | 3.5 | 4.2 | 5.1 | 6.1 | 7.0 |
| Female condom | 3.3 | 1.0 | 3.3 | 4.2 | 5.0 | 3.3 | 3.4 | 3.6 |
| Spermicides | 1.5 | 0.0 | 1.2 | 1.4 | 1.9 | 1.4 | 1.9 | 3.9 |
| Norplant | 0.7 | 0.3 | 0.5 | 1.5 | 1.3 | 0.5 | 0.5 | 0.4 |
| Diaphragm | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.3 | 0.1 | 0.5 | 0.2 | 0.3 | 0.1 |
| Male sterilization | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.3 |
| Other | 0.4 | 0.0 | 0.6 | 0.6 | 0.5 | 0.5 | 0.5 | 0.2 |
| Used at least one traditional method | 38.9 | 12.6 | 37.4 | 46.3 | 50.2 | 46.6 | 45.1 | 43.1 |
| Withdrawal | 37.5 | 12.2 | 35.4 | 45.5 | 48.5 | 44.4 | 43.5 | 42.0 |
| Calendar/Rhythm/Billings | 8.8 | 2.3 | 8.7 | 10.0 | 12.5 | 10.5 | 10.2 | 9.7 |
| No. of Cases | 8,259 | 1,229 | 1,114 | 1,350 | 1,219 | 1,221 | 1,084 | 1,042 |

Table 6.1.7
Ever-Use of Contraceptive Methods among Women Aged 15-49 Years by Specified Contraceptive Method Used and by Number of Children Born Alive

Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008

| Contraceptive Method | Total | Number of Children Born Alive |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 or More |
| Used any method | 84.8 | 58.3 | 97.2 | 97.7 | 98.7 | 98.4 |
| Used at least one modern method | 84.2 | 57.7 | 96.6 | 97.1 | 97.9 | 98.0 |
| Condom | 76.6 | 56.3 | 90.3 | 86.2 | 84.5 | 83.9 |
| Pill | 53.8 | 22.9 | 61.6 | 70.3 | 74.6 | 73.6 |
| Injectables | 33.8 | 3.5 | 34.2 | 46.8 | 52.8 | 67.8 |
| Emergency contraception ("morning-after pill") | 10.9 | 10.8 | 14.9 | 12.2 | 9.3 | 5.4 |
| Female sterilization | 7.8 | 0.1 | 0.7 | 9.1 | 14.2 | 27.6 |
| IUD | 3.5 | 0.3 | 3.2 | 5.4 | 7.2 | 5.7 |
| Female condom | 3.3 | 2.7 | 3.7 | 2.8 | 4.2 | 4.2 |
| Spermicides | 1.5 | 0.6 | 1.2 | 1.9 | 2.3 | 2.4 |
| Norplant | 0.7 | 0.3 | 0.8 | 1.1 | 0.6 | 1.1 |
| Diaphragm | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.5 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.2 |
| Male sterilization | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.1 |
| Other | 0.5 | 0.5 | 0.4 | 0.9 | 0.2 | 0.6 |
| Used at least one traditional method | 38.7 | 20.8 | 46.1 | 46.1 | 52.8 | 47.4 |
| Withdrawal | 37.5 | 19.8 | 44.5 | 44.7 | 51.5 | 46.2 |
| Calendar/Rhythm/Billings | 8.8 | 5.0 | 11.6 | 10.0 | 11.6 | 9.4 |
| No. of Cases | 8,259 | 2,208 | 1,707 | 1,632 | 1,110 | 1,602 |


| Table 6.1.8 <br> Ever-Use of Contraceptive Methods among Women Aged 15-49 Years by Specified Contraceptive Method Used and by Education Level Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Contraceptive Method | Total | Education Level (in Years)* |  |  |
|  |  | 0-9 | 10-12 | 13 or More |
| Used any method | 84.8 | 81.9 | 85.1 | 88.0 |
| Used at least one modern method | 84.2 | 81.1 | 84.7 | 87.2 |
| Condom | 76.6 | 71.3 | 77.6 | 81.0 |
| Pill | 53.8 | 55.0 | 52.9 | 56.2 |
| Injectables | 33.8 | 46.5 | 33.0 | 16.4 |
| Emergency contraception ("morning-after pill") | 10.9 | 4.1 | 11.8 | 18.0 |
| Female sterilization | 7.8 | 13.0 | 5.9 | 8.5 |
| IUD | 3.5 | 3.6 | 3.2 | 4.9 |
| Female condom | 3.3 | 2.7 | 3.3 | 4.7 |
| Spermicides | 1.5 | 1.5 | 1.4 | 1.8 |
| Norplant | 0.7 | 0.4 | 0.9 | 0.4 |
| Diaphragm | 0.2 | 0.4 | 0.2 | 0.1 |
| Male sterilization | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Other | 0.4 | 0.1 | 0.5 | 0.5 |
| Used at least one traditional method | 38.9 | 38.4 | 38.0 | 43.6 |
| Withdrawal | 37.5 | 37.7 | 36.7 | 40.7 |
| Calendar/Rhythm/Billings | 8.8 | 6.3 | 8.1 | 16.5 |
| No. of Cases | 8,256 | 2,183 | 5,078 | 995 |

* Excludes 3 women with missing information on education attainment.

| Table 6.2.1 <br> Mean Age (in Years) at the Time When Women Aged 15-44 Years* First Used a Contraceptive Method by Selected Characteristics <br> Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008, 2002, 1997, 1993 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Survey Year |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Characteristic | 2008 |  | 2002 |  | 1997 |  | 1993 |  |
|  | Mean | No. of Cases | Mean | No. of Cases | Mean | No. of Cases | Mean | No. of Cases |
| Total | 18.8 | 5,936 | 19.5 | 5,269 | 19.5 | 4,540 | 19.7 | 2,280 |
| Residence        <br> Kingston Metropolitan Area 18.8 820 20.0 834 103 1,085 +$+$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Other urban | 19.0 | 1,679 | 19.5 | 1,537 | 19.2 | 734 | $\dagger$ | $\dagger$ |
| Rural | 18.5 | 3,437 | 19.2 | 2,898 | 19.7 | 2,721 | $\dagger$ | $\dagger$ |
| Age group |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 15.9 | 534 | 15.8 | 465 | 15.7 | 431 | 16.1 | 241 |
| 20-24 | 17.4 | 1,018 | 18.0 | 818 | 17.6 | 845 | 17.9 | 513 |
| 25-29 | 18.6 | 1,257 | 19.3 | 1,044 | 19.3 | 1,054 | 19.7 | 569 |
| 30-34 | 19.3 | 1,112 | 20.1 | 1,167 | 20.4 | 994 | 21.1 | 458 |
| 35-39 | 20.2 | 1,090 | 20.8 | 997 | 21.9 | 761 | 22.5 | 336 |
| 40-44 | 20.5 | 925 | 21.8 | 778 | 22.7 | 455 | 24.0 | 163 |
| Education level (in years) ${ }^{\ddagger} \mathrm{l}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-9 | 18.4 | 1,343 | 19.7 | 389 | 19.8 | 1,550 | $\dagger$ | $\dagger$ |
| 10-12 | 18.6 | 3,818 | 19.1 | 1,805 | 19.1 | 2,422 | $\dagger$ | $\dagger$ |
| 13 or more | 19.9 | 773 | 19.6 | 3,025 | 19.9 | 534 | $\dagger$ | $\dagger$ |
| No. of children born alive |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0 | 18.0 | 1,228 | 18.0 | 961 | 17.9 | 801 | 17.7 | 402 |
| 1 | 18.7 | 1,493 | 19.3 | 1,261 | 18.9 | 1,100 | 19.0 | 557 |
| 2 | 19.1 | 1,316 | 19.9 | 1,185 | 19.9 | 1,021 | 19.8 | 477 |
| 3 | 19.3 | 865 | 20.2 | 838 | 19.9 | 730 | 20.7 | 346 |
| 4 or more | 19.0 | 1,034 | 20.2 | 1,024 | 21.3 | 888 | 22.0 | 498 |
| Church attendance ${ }^{\text {§ }}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| At least weekly | 19.6 | 1,700 | 20.2 | 1,756 | 20.5 | 1,238 | $\dagger$ | $\dagger$ |
| At least monthly | 18.7 | 1,060 | 19.6 | 1,057 | 19.6 | 882 | $\dagger$ | $\dagger$ |
| Less than monthly | 18.4 | 1,017 | 19.2 | 684 | 19.2 | 688 | $\dagger$ | $\dagger$ |
| Special occasions | 18.4 | 1,437 | 18.7 | 1,316 | 18.8 | 1,232 | $\dagger$ | $\dagger$ |
| Never | 18.0 | 709 | 18.8 | 397 | 18.7 | 468 | $\dagger$ | $\dagger$ |

[^31]

* For purposes of comparison with the 1993 CPS, this table only includes women aged 15-44 years who have ever used contraception and knew the age when they first used a method.

Data not available.
$\ddagger$ Excludes 3 women in 2008, 77 women in 2002 and 55 women in 1997 with missing information on education attainment.
§ Excludes 18 women in 2008,77 women in 2002, 49 women in 1997 and 322 women in 1993 with missing information on church attendance.

Table 6.3.1
Current Contraceptive Use among All Women and Women Currently in Union* Aged 15-49 Years
by Selected Characteristics
Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008, 2002, 1997, 1993

| Characteristic | All Women Aged 15-49 Years |  |  |  | Women Currently in Union Aged 15-49 Years |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 2008 |  | 2002 |  | 2008 |  | 2002 |  | 1997 |  | $1993{ }^{\dagger}$ |  |
|  | \% | $\begin{aligned} & \hline \text { No. of } \\ & \text { Cases } \end{aligned}$ | \% | $\begin{aligned} & \hline \text { No. of } \\ & \text { Cases } \end{aligned}$ | \% | $\begin{aligned} & \hline \text { No. of } \\ & \text { Cases } \end{aligned}$ | \% | $\begin{aligned} & \hline \text { No. of } \\ & \text { Cases } \end{aligned}$ | \% | $\begin{aligned} & \hline \text { No. of } \\ & \text { Cases } \end{aligned}$ | \% | $\begin{aligned} & \hline \text { No. of } \\ & \text { Cases } \end{aligned}$ |
| Total | 54.9 | 8,259 | 53.0 | 7,168 | 72.5 | 5,878 | 69.15 ,234 |  | $65.9 \quad 4,648$ |  | 61.9 2,283 |  |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 54.6 | 1,198 | 48.4 | 1,144 | 71.6 | 844 | 63.5 | 802 | 66.1 | 1,044 | $\ddagger$ | $\ddagger$ |
| Other urban | 54.5 | 2,283 | 51.6 | 2,079 | 72.4 | 1,627 | 67.3 | 1,490 | 67.4 | 795 | $\ddagger$ | $\ddagger$ |
| Rural | 55.4 | 4,778 | 56.3 | 3,945 | 72.5 | 3,407 | 73.1 | 2,942 | 65.3 | 2,809 | $\ddagger$ | $\ddagger$ |
| Health region |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 54.0 | 2,340 | 52.3 | 2,974 | 71.6 | 1,665 | 67.4 | 2,133 | 65.9 | 1,652 | 64.3 | 817 |
| 2 | 55.7 | 1,761 | 54.5 | 1,177 | 75.2 | 1,216 | 68.4 | 878 | 65.5 | 888 | 61.6 | 494 |
| 3 | 53.6 | 2,313 | 52.4 | 1,602 | 70.6 | 1,629 | 70.9 | 1,161 | 66.2 | 1,154 | 56.9 | 500 |
| 4 | 57.8 | 1,845 | 54.3 | 1,415 | 73.6 | 1,368 | 71.5 | 1,062 | 65.9 | 954 | 60.1 | 472 |
| No. of children born alive |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0 | 32.8 | 2,208 | 31.5 | 1,788 | 63.4 | 925 | 61.4 | 854 | 56.0 | 700 | 56.6 | 351 |
| 1 | 61.5 | 1,707 | 54.5 | 1,486 | 70.1 | 1,378 | 65.5 | 1,177 | 63.2 | 1,083 | 60.0 | 533 |
| 2 | 67.8 | 1,632 | 62.2 | 1,423 | 75.8 | 1,364 | 70.8 | 1,167 | 68.8 | 1,031 | 56.2 | 514 |
| 3 | 66.0 | 1,110 | 67.3 | 1,036 | 76.6 | 897 | 75.6 | 842 | 73.8 | 755 | 70.9 | 371 |
| 4 or more | 69.6 | 1,602 | 66.4 | 1,435 | 77.3 | 1,314 | 73.4 | 1,194 | 69.0 | 1,079 | 67.7 | 514 |
| Education level (in years) ${ }^{\text {§ }}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-9 | 53.2 | 2,183 | 54.2 | 638 | 70.5 | 1,570 | 67.1 | 464 | 63.1 | 2,325 | $\ddagger$ | $\ddagger$ |
| 10-12 | 55.5 | 5,078 | 53.8 | 2,529 | 72.6 | 3,616 | 69.3 | 1,854 | 67.3 | 3,285 | $\ddagger$ | $\ddagger$ |
| 13 or more | 55.2 | 995 | 52.2 | 3,924 | 73.5 | 689 | 69.4 | 2,859 | 68.1 | 719 | $\ddagger$ | $\ddagger$ |
| Socio economic status |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Low | 58.5 | 3,167 | 58.3 | 1,705 | 74.1 | 2,332 | 70.6 | 1,280 | 62.6 | 1,760 | $\ddagger$ | $\ddagger$ |
| Medium | 54.3 | 2,857 | 53.1 | 3,079 | 70.7 | 2,017 | 69.8 | 2,260 | 66.8 | 1,519 | $\ddagger$ | $\ddagger$ |
| High | 52.1 | 2,235 | 50.0 | 2,384 | 72.0 | 1,529 | 67.4 | 1,694 | 68.1 | 1,369 | $\ddagger$ | $\ddagger$ |

[^32]| Table 6.3.2 <br> Current Contraceptive Use among All Women and Women Currently in a Union* Aged 15-49 Years <br> by Specified Contraceptive Method <br> Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 1983, 1989, 1993, 1997, 2002, and 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | All Women Aged 15-49 Years |  |  | Women Currently in Union Aged 15-49 Years |  |  |  |  |  |
| Current Use and Method | 2008 | 2002 | 1997 | 2008 | 2002 | 1997 | $1993{ }^{\dagger}$ | 1989 | 1983 |
| Any method | 54.9 | 53.0 | 50.3 | 72.5 | 69.1 | 65.9 | 62.0 | 54.6 | 51.4 |
| Any modern method | 32.5 | 32.9 | 34.5 | 43.1 | 42.6 | 45.8 | 41.5 | 42.6 | 40.8 |
| Condom | 19.4 | 17.8 | 13.6 | 25.3 | 23.5 | 17.0 | 16.9 | 8.6 | 7.6 |
| Pill | 12.9 | 13.0 | 15.3 | 17.3 | 17.8 | 21.2 | 21.5 | 19.5 | 19.3 |
| Injectables | 10.2 | 8.7 | 8.1 | 13.8 | 11.4 | 10.9 | 6.2 | 7.6 | 7.6 |
| Female sterilization | 7.8 | 9.9 | 10.0 | 10.0 | 11.8 | 12.3 | 12.5 | 13.6 | 10.9 |
| IUD | 0.9 | 0.8 | 0.9 | 1.0 | 1.2 | 1.1 | 1.1 | 1.6 | 3.0 |
| Norplant | 0.5 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.7 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.1 | $\ddagger$ | $\ddagger$ |
| Other | 0.2 | 0.3 | 0.1 | 0.3 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.3 | 0.0 |
| Any traditional method | 3.0 | 2.3 | 2.2 | 4.1 | 3.0 | 3.1 | 3.6 | 3.4 | 3.0 |
| Withdrawal | 2.7 | 1.9 | 2.0 | 3.7 | 2.5 | 2.8 | 2.9 | 2.4 | 1.9 |
| Calendar/Rhythm/Billings | 0.3 | 0.4 | 0.2 | 0.4 | 0.5 | 0.3 | 0.7 | 1.0 | 1.1 |
| Not currently using | 45.1 | 47.0 | 49.7 | 27.5 | 30.9 | 34.1 | 38.0 | 45.4 | 48.6 |
| Total | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| No. of Cases | 8,259 | 7,168 | 6,388 | 5,878 | 5,234 | 4,648 | 2,283 | 4,153 | 1,939 |

[^33]| Table 6.3.3 <br> Mean Age of All Women and Women Currently in a Union Aged 15-44* Years among Current Users of Selected Contraceptive Methods Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008, 2002, 1997, and 1993 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | All Women Aged 15-44 Years |  |  |  | Women Currently in Union Aged 15-44 Years |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 2008 |  | 2002 |  | 2008 |  | 2002 |  | 1997 |  | 1993 |  |
| Contraceptive Method | Mean Age | No. of Cases | Mean Age | No. of Cases | Mean Age | No. of Cases | Mean Age | No. of Cases | Mean Age | No. of Cases | Mean Age | No. of Cases |
| Condom | 27.9 | 1,431 | 27.5 | 1,203 | 28.7 | 1,261 | 27.8 | 1,093 | 27.2 | 704 | 25.2 | 365 |
| Pill | 28.9 | 1,013 | 29.6 | 1,011 | 29.3 | 936 | 29.6 | 951 | 27.9 | 986 | 27.4 | 508 |
| Injectables | 29.3 | 861 | 29.2 | 693 | 29.4 | 787 | 29.2 | 635 | 28.2 | 544 | 27.4 | 147 |
| Withdrawal | 30.6 | 199 | 30.9 | 122 | 30.7 | 191 | 31.0 | 115 | 28.2 | 116 | 27.7 | 65 |
| IUD | 34.3 | 61 | 34.1 | 56 | 33.7 | 52 | 34.3 | 54 | 29.1 | 41 | $\dagger$ | 21 |
| Female sterilization | 37.5 | 483 | 37.9 | 557 | 37.4 | 425 | 37.8 | 479 | 37 | 474 | 36.2 | 277 |
| * For purposes of comparison with the 1993 CPS, this table only includes women aged 15-44 years who have ever used contraception and knew the age when they first used a method; current union status includes women legally married, women in consensual unions, and women in visiting partnerships. $\dagger$ Less than 25 cases. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |


| Table 6.3.4Current Contraceptive Use among All Women and Women Currently in Union Aged 15-49 Years by the Type of Method by Selected CharacteristicsReproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Characteristic | All Women Aged 15-49 Years |  |  |  |  | Women Currently in Union Aged 15-49 Years |  |  |  |  |
|  | Type of Method |  |  | Modern Method Use among Users | $\begin{aligned} & \text { No. of } \\ & \text { Cases } \end{aligned}$ | Type of Method |  |  | Modern Method Use among Users | No. of Cases |
|  | Any Method | Any Modern Method | Any Traditional Method' |  |  | Any Method | Any Modern Method | Any Traditional <br> Method |  |  |
| Total | 54.9 | 51.9 | 3.00 | 94.5 | 8,259 | 72.3 | 68.2 | 4.00 | 94.3 | 5,878 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 54.6 | 51.7 | 2.90 | 94.7 | 1,198 | 71.6 | 67.8 | 3.70 | 94.7 | 844 |
| Other urban | 54.5 | 51.3 | 3.20 | 94.1 | 2,283 | 72.4 | 67.9 | 4.50 | 93.8 | 1,627 |
| Rural | 55.4 | 52.6 | 2.70 | 94.9 | 4,778 | 72.5 | 68.7 | 3.80 | 94.8 | 3,407 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 54.0 | 51.2 | 2.80 | 94.8 | 2,340 | 71.6 | 67.9 | 3.70 | 94.8 | 1,665 |
| 2 | 55.7 | 53.1 | 2.60 | 95.3 | 1,761 | 75.2 | 71.4 | 3.80 | 94.9 | 1,216 |
| 3 | 53.6 | 51.3 | 2.30 | 95.7 | 2,313 | 70.6 | 67.2 | 3.30 | 95.2 | 1,629 |
| 4 | 57.8 | 53.6 | 4.20 | 92.7 | 1,845 | 73.6 | 68.0 | 5.60 | 92.4 | 1,368 |
| Age group |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 26.1 | 25.6 | 0.50 | 98.1 | 1,229 | 68.4 | 67.2 | 1.20 | 98.2 | 324 |
| 20-24 | 64.3 | 60.8 | 3.50 | 94.6 | 1,114 | 75.5 | 71.3 | 4.20 | 94.4 | 890 |
| 25-29 | 63.2 | 59.6 | 3.60 | 94.3 | 1,350 | 72.4 | 68.1 | 4.20 | 94.1 | 1,111 |
| 30-34 | 64.4 | 61.1 | 3.30 | 94.9 | 1,219 | 74.0 | 70.0 | 4.00 | 94.6 | 1,014 |
| 35-39 | 62.5 | 59.1 | 3.40 | 94.6 | 1,221 | 74.2 | 70.4 | 3.80 | 94.9 | 964 |
| 40-44 | 58.1 | 54.2 | 3.90 | 93.3 | 1,084 | 72.4 | 67.4 | 5.00 | 93.1 | 818 |
| 45-49 | 50.4 | 46.5 | 3.60 | 92.3 | 1,042 | 61.1 | 56.3 | 4.80 | 92.1 | 757 |
| Relationship status |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Married | 73.2 | 66.0 | 7.10 | 90.2 | 1,441 | 73.2 | 66.0 | 7.10 | 90.2 | 1,441 |
| Common law union | 69.6 | 65.4 | 4.20 | 94.0 | 2,158 | 69.6 | 65.4 | 4.20 | 94.0 | 2,158 |
| Visiting relationship | 73.8 | 71.3 | 2.50 | 96.6 | 2,279 | 73.8 | 71.3 | 2.50 | 96.6 | 2,279 |
| Not steady partner | 17.3 | 16.6 | 0.60 | 96.0 | 2,381 | § | § | § | § | 0 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0 | 32.8 | 30.8 | 2.00 | 93.9 | 2,208 | 63.4 | 59.2 | 4.20 | 93.4 | 925 |
| 1 | 61.5 | 58.6 | 2.80 | 95.3 | 1,707 | 70.1 | 66.6 | 3.40 | 95.0 | 1,378 |
| 2 | 67.8 | 63.1 | 4.60 | 93.1 | 1,632 | 75.8 | 70.5 | 5.30 | 93.0 | 1,364 |
| 3 | 66.0 | 61.7 | 4.40 | 93.5 | 1,110 | 76.6 | 71.7 | 4.90 | 93.6 | 897 |
| 4 or more | 69.6 | 67.4 | 2.20 | 96.8 | 1,602 | 77.3 | 74.7 | 2.60 | 96.6 | 1,314 |
| Education level (in years) ${ }^{\ddagger}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-9 | 53.2 | 50.0 | 3.20 | 94.0 | 2,183 | 70.5 | 66.0 | 4.40 | 93.6 | 1,570 |
| 10-12 | 55.5 | 52.6 | 2.90 | 94.8 | 5,078 | 72.6 | 68.7 | 4.00 | 94.6 | 3,616 |
| 13 or more | 55.2 | 52.1 | 2.90 | 94.4 | 995 | 73.5 | 69.7 | 3.80 | 94.8 | 689 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 57.8 | 55.7 | 2.10 | 96.4 | 2,001 | 74.0 | 71.1 | 2.90 | 96.1 | 1,491 |
| Second | 58.8 | 56.1 | 2.70 | 95.4 | 1,716 | 72.8 | 69.5 | 3.30 | 95.5 | 1,247 |
| Middle | 54.8 | 52.0 | 2.80 | 94.9 | 1,668 | 71.1 | 67.4 | 3.70 | 94.8 | 1,192 |
| Fourth | 50.6 | 48.1 | 2.40 | 95.1 | 1,650 | 69.1 | 65.3 | 3.80 | 94.5 | 1,106 |
| Highest | 53.0 | 48.1 | 4.80 | 90.8 | 1,224 | 74.3 | 67.6 | 6.70 | 91.0 | 842 |

* Includes female sterilization, vasectomy, injectables, pill, IUD, condom, spermicides, and diaphragm.
$\dagger$ Withdrawal and natural methods, such as the calendar, Billings and rhythm methods.
$\ddagger$ Data on education are missing for 3 women.
§ Not applicable.

| Table 6.3.5 <br> Current Contraceptive Use of Specified Methods among All Women Aged 15-49 Years by the Relationship Status <br> Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008, 2002, 1997, 1993 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Contraceptive Method | Relationship Status |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Total | Legally <br> Married | Common Law Union | Visiting Relationship | Boyfriend with Sex | Boyfriend without Sex | No Steady Relationship |
|  | 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Any method | 54.9 |  | 69.6 | 73.8 | 73.8 | 2.4 | 11.0 |
| Condom | 19.4 | 17.1 | 21.3 | 31.9 | 46.5 | 0.0 | 1.8 |
| Pill | 12.9 | 14.1 | 17.9 | 18.3 | 18.2 | 1.4 | 1.7 |
| Injectables | 10.2 | 8.4 | 16.5 | 14.4 | 4.7 | 0.3 | 2.3 |
| Female Sterilization | 7.8 | 23.3 | 8.1 | 5.0 | 1.0 | 0.7 | 3.9 |
| Withdrawal | 2.7 | 5.8 | 4.1 | 2.4 | 2.1 | 0.0 | 0.4 |
| IUD | 0.9 | 2.0 | 1.0 | 0.5 | 0.4 | 0.0 | 0.7 |
| Norplant | 0.5 | 0.8 | 0.6 | 0.7 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Natural methods | 0.3 | 1.3 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.4 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Vasectomy | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Emergency hormonal contraception | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.5 | 0.6 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Other | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.1 |
| Not using | 45.1 | 26.8 | 30.4 | 26.2 | 26.2 | 97.6 | 89.0 |
| Total | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| No. of Cases | 8,259 | 1,441 | 2,158 | 2,279 | 281 | 197 | 1,903 |
|  | 2002 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Any method | 53.0 | 68.2 | 69.4 | 69.6 | * | * | 17.6 |
| Condom | 17.8 | 16.1 | 18.7 | 31.3 | * | * | 5.4 |
| Pill | 13.0 | 14.5 | 18.8 | 19.2 | * | * | 2.7 |
| Female Sterilization | 9.9 | 23.9 | 10.9 | 4.8 | * | * | 5.7 |
| Injectables | 8.7 | 7.2 | 16.4 | 10.7 | * | * | 2.9 |
| Withdrawal | 1.9 | 3.0 | 2.8 | 1.9 | * | * | 0.6 |
| IUD | 0.8 | 2.1 | 0.8 | 0.8 | * | * | 0.1 |
| Natural methods | 0.4 | 1.1 | 0.3 | 0.4 | * | * | 0.0 |
| Vaginal methods | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | * | * | 0.0 |
| Norplant | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.3 | 0.2 | * | * | 0.0 |
| Vasectomy | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | * | * | 0.0 |
| Emergency hormonal contraception | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.3 | 0.2 | * | * | 0.0 |
| Other | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.1 | * | * | 0.2 |
| Not using | 47.0 | 31.8 | 30.6 | 30.4 | * | * | 82.4 |
| Total | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | * | * | 100.0 |
| No. of Cases | 7,168 | 1,542 | 1,733 | 1,959 | * | * | 1,934 |
|  | 1997 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Any method | 50.3 | 63.7 | 66.0 | 66.9 | 62.4 | 4.7 | 11.9 |
| Condom | 13.6 | 9.8 | 15.5 | 22.0 | 16.4 | 2.6 | 1.9 |
| Pill | 15.3 | 16.1 | 21.0 | 24.0 | 16.3 | 0.4 | 1.1 |
| Female Sterilization | 10.0 | 26.1 | 11.2 | 6.0 | 2.0 | 1.1 | 6.4 |
| Injectables | 8.1 | 7.6 | 14.1 | 10.0 | 5.1 | 0.6 | 2.3 |
| Withdrawal | 2.0 | 2.1 | 2.6 | 3.4 | 1.7 | 0.0 | 0.1 |
| IUD | 0.8 | 0.9 | 1.2 | 1.0 | 0.5 | 0.0 | 0.2 |
| Natural methods | 0.2 | 0.5 | 0.1 | 0.4 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Vaginal methods | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Norplant | 0.1 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.1 |
| Vasectomy | 0.1 | 0.4 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.5 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Not using | 49.7 | 36.3 | 34.0 | 33.1 | 37.6 | 95.3 | 88.1 |
| Total | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| No. of Cases | 6,384 | 1,185 | 1,839 | 1,624 | 265 | 138 | 1,333 |
|  | 1993 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Any method | 48.3 | 66.2 | 60.7 | 61.0 | 58.5 | 2.7 | 10.3 |


| Table 6.3.6 <br> Current Contraceptive Use among All Women and Women Currently in Union * Aged 15-49 Years by Health Region and Method Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | All Women Aged 15-49 Years |  |  |  |  | Women Currently in Union Aged 15-49 Years |  |  |  |  |
|  | Total | Health Region |  |  |  | Total | Health Region |  |  |  |
| Current Use and Method |  | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |  | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| Any method | 54.9 | 54.0 | 55.7 | 53.6 | 57.8 | 72.5 | 71.5 | 75.3 | 70.7 | 73.7 |
| Modern method | 51.9 | 51.2 | 53.1 | 51.3 | 53.6 | 68.4 | 67.8 | 71.5 | 67.4 | 68.1 |
| Condom | 19.4 | 19.1 | 19.1 | 21.8 | 18.1 | 25.3 | 24.9 | 25.2 | 28.0 | 23.5 |
| Pill | 12.9 | 12.0 | 14.5 | 11.7 | 15.2 | 17.3 | 15.6 | 20.9 | 16.2 | 19.6 |
| Injectables | 10.2 | 10.0 | 9.2 | 8.4 | 13.0 | 13.8 | 13.9 | 13.1 | 10.8 | 16.8 |
| Female sterilization | 7.8 | 8.2 | 8.7 | 8.3 | 6.1 | 10.0 | 10.9 | 10.0 | 11.0 | 6.9 |
| IUD | 0.9 | 0.9 | 0.9 | 0.7 | 1.0 | 1.0 | 1.0 | 1.2 | 1.0 | 0.9 |
| Vasectomy | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.1 |
| Norplant | 0.5 | 0.8 | 0.5 | 0.1 | 0.2 | 0.7 | 1.1 | 0.7 | 0.2 | 0.2 |
| Emergency hormonal contraception | 0.2 | 0.3 | 0.1 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.3 | 0.4 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.1 |
| Other | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Traditional method | 3.0 | 2.8 | 2.6 | 2.3 | 4.2 | 4.1 | 3.7 | 3.8 | 3.3 | 5.6 |
| Withdrawal | 2.7 | 2.4 | 2.2 | 2.0 | 4.1 | 3.7 | 3.2 | 3.3 | 2.9 | 5.5 |
| Calendar/Rhythm/Billings | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.1 | 0.4 | 0.5 | 0.5 | 0.4 | 0.1 |
| Not using | 45.1 | 46.0 | 44.3 | 46.4 | 42.2 | 27.5 | 28.5 | 24.7 | 29.3 | 26.3 |
| Total | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| No. of Cases | 8,259 | 2,340 | 1,761 | 2,313 | 1,845 | 5,878 | 1,665 | 1,216 | 1,629 | 1,368 |

[^34]| Table 6.3.7 <br> Current Contraceptive Use among All Women and Women Currently in Union ${ }^{*}$ Aged 15-49 Years by Age Group and Method Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Current Use and Method | All Women Aged 15-49 Years |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Total | Age Group |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  | 15-19 | 20-24 | 25-29 | 30-34 | 35-39 | 40-44 | 45-49 |
| Any method | 54.9 | 26.1 | 64.3 | 63.2 | 64.4 | 62.5 | 58.1 | 50.4 |
| Modern method | 51.9 | 25.6 | 60.8 | 59.6 | 61.1 | 59.1 | 54.2 | 46.5 |
| Condom | 19.4 | 15.7 | 29.6 | 19.9 | 21.5 | 16.8 | 16.5 | 11.5 |
| Pill | 12.9 | 5.1 | 17.9 | 19.5 | 17.2 | 13.9 | 8.2 | 5.2 |
| Injectables | 10.2 | 4.6 | 11.7 | 15.4 | 12.7 | 14.7 | 6.3 | 3.4 |
| Female sterilization | 7.8 | 0.0 | 0.3 | 2.1 | 8.0 | 11.5 | 20.9 | 25.8 |
| IUD | 0.9 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 1.4 | 0.7 | 1.8 | 2.0 | 0.2 |
| Norplant | 0.5 | 0.2 | 0.4 | 1.1 | 0.9 | 0.1 | 0.2 | 0.1 |
| Emergency hormonal contraception | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.6 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.0 |
| Vasectomy | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.3 |
| Other | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.3 |
| Traditional method | 3.0 | 0.5 | 3.5 | 3.6 | 3.3 | 3.4 | 3.9 | 3.6 |
| Withdrawal | 2.7 | 0.5 | 3.4 | 3.1 | 2.8 | 3.1 | 3.5 | 3.1 |
| Calendar/Rhythm/Billings | 0.3 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.4 | 0.5 | 0.3 | 0.4 | 0.5 |
| Not using | 45.1 | 73.9 | 35.7 | 36.8 | 35.6 | 37.5 | 41.9 | 49.6 |
| Total | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| No. of Cases | 8,259 | 1,229 | 1,114 | 1,350 | 1,219 | 1,221 | 1,084 | 1,042 |
|  | Women Currently in Union Aged 15-49 Years |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Any method | 72.5 | 68.4 | 75.5 | 72.4 | 74.0 | 74.2 | 72.5 | 61.0 |
| Modern method | 68.4 | 67.2 | 71.3 | 68.1 | 70.0 | 70.4 | 67.5 | 56.2 |
| Pill | 17.3 | 12.1 | 21.4 | 21.9 | 19.9 | 16.7 | 11.1 | 7.0 |
| Condom | 25.3 | 38.8 | 33.7 | 23.2 | 24.5 | 20.8 | 21.9 | 15.8 |
| Injectables | 13.8 | 15.4 | 14.3 | 17.4 | 15.0 | 16.8 | 7.8 | 4.3 |
| Tubal ligation | 10.0 | 0.0 | 0.4 | 2.5 | 8.8 | 13.6 | 24.6 | 28.5 |
| IUD | 1.0 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 1.6 | 0.6 | 2.0 | 1.6 | 0.2 |
| Norplant | 0.7 | 0.8 | 0.5 | 1.3 | 1.1 | 0.2 | 0.3 | 0.2 |
| Emergency hormonal contraception | 0.3 | 0.1 | 0.8 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.3 | 0.1 | 0.0 |
| Vasectomy | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.2 |
| Other | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Traditional method | 4.1 | 1.2 | 4.2 | 4.3 | 4.0 | 3.8 | 5.0 | 4.8 |
| Withdrawal | 3.7 | 1.2 | 4.1 | 3.8 | 3.4 | 3.5 | 4.5 | 4.1 |
| Calendar/Rhythm/Billings | 0.4 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.5 | 0.6 | 0.3 | 0.5 | 0.7 |
| Not using | 27.5 | 31.6 | 24.5 | 27.6 | 26.0 | 25.8 | 27.5 | 39.0 |
| Total | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| No. of Cases | 5,878 | 324 | 890 | 1,111 | 1,014 | 964 | 818 | 757 |

[^35]| Table 6.3.8 <br> Current Contraceptive Use among All Women and Women Currently in Union* Aged 15-49 Years by Number of Live Births and Contraceptive Method Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | All Women Aged 15-49 Years |  |  |  |  |  | Women Currently in Union Aged 15-49 Years |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Total | Number of Children Born Alive |  |  |  |  | Total | Number of Children Born Alive |  |  |  |  |
| Current Use and Method |  | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 or more |  | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 or more |
| Any method | 54.9 | 32.8 | 61.5 | 67.8 | 66.0 | 69.6 | 72.5 | 63.4 | 70.2 | 75.8 | 76.5 | 77.2 |
| Modern method | 51.9 | 30.6 | 58.6 | 63.2 | 61.8 | 67.5 | 68.4 | 59.2 | 66.7 | 70.5 | 71.6 | 74.6 |
| Condom | 19.4 | 21.5 | 22.4 | 17.5 | 17.5 | 14.5 | 25.3 | 40.1 | 26.0 | 20.3 | 21.4 | 17.3 |
| Pill | 12.9 | 7.9 | 18.4 | 18.3 | 13.5 | 9.4 | 17.3 | 16.1 | 20.4 | 20.5 | 16.0 | 11.2 |
| Injectables | 10.2 | 0.8 | 15.3 | 16.3 | 13.1 | 13.9 | 13.8 | 1.8 | 17.7 | 17.7 | 14.8 | 15.8 |
| Female sterilization | 7.8 | 0.1 | 0.7 | 9.1 | 14.2 | 27.6 | 10.0 | 0.3 | 0.5 | 10.0 | 15.6 | 28.7 |
| IUD | 0.9 | 0.0 | 0.8 | 1.0 | 2.5 | 1.3 | 1.0 | 0.1 | 0.8 | 1.1 | 2.7 | 0.8 |
| Vasectomy | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.0 |
| Norplant | 0.5 | 0.3 | 0.5 | 0.6 | 0.5 | 0.6 | 0.7 | 0.7 | 0.7 | 0.7 | 0.6 | 0.7 |
| Emergency hormonal contraception | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.5 | 0.2 | 0.3 | 0.1 | 0.3 | 0.1 | 0.6 | 0.1 | 0.3 | 0.1 |
| Other | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Traditional method | 3.0 | 2.0 | 2.9 | 4.6 | 4.4 | 2.2 | 4.1 | 4.2 | 3.5 | 5.3 | 4.9 | 2.6 |
| Withdrawal | 2.7 | 1.8 | 2.5 | 4.2 | 3.9 | 2.2 | 3.7 | 3.8 | 3.0 | 4.8 | 4.3 | 2.6 |
| Calendar/Rhythm/Billings | 0.3 | 0.2 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.5 | 0.0 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.5 | 0.5 | 0.6 | 0.0 |
| Not using | 45.1 | 67.2 | 38.5 | 32.2 | 34.0 | 30.4 | 27.5 | 36.6 | 29.8 | 24.2 | 23.5 | 22.8 |
| Total | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| No. of Cases | 8,259 | 2,208 | 1,707 | 1,632 | 1,110 | 1,602 | 5,878 | 925 | 1,378 | 1,364 | 897 | 1,314 |

* Includes women legally married, women in consensual unions, and women in visiting partnerships.

| Table 6.3.9 <br> Current Contraceptive Use among All Women and Women Currently in Union* Aged 15-49 Years by Education Level and Method Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Current Use and Method | All Women Aged 15-49 Years |  |  |  | Women Currently in Union Aged 15-49 Years |  |  |  |
|  | Total | Education Level (in Years) ${ }^{\dagger}$ |  |  | Total | Education Level (in Years) |  |  |
|  |  | 0-9 | 10-12 | 13 or More |  | 0-9 | 10-12 | 13 or More |
| Any method | 54.9 | 53.2 | 55.5 | 55.2 | 72.5 | 70.5 | 72.7 | 73.5 |
| Modern method | 51.9 | 49.8 | 52.6 | 52.4 | 68.3 | 66.1 | 68.7 | 69.7 |
| Condom | 19.4 | 13.2 | 20.8 | 23.0 | 25.3 | 18.4 | 26.6 | 30.3 |
| Pill | 12.9 | 9.9 | 13.4 | 15.8 | 17.3 | 13.3 | 17.9 | 20.7 |
| Injectables | 10.2 | 12.8 | 10.8 | 3.3 | 13.8 | 17.1 | 14.6 | 4.4 |
| Female sterilization | 7.8 | 12.9 | 5.9 | 8.5 | 9.9 | 16.4 | 7.3 | 12.0 |
| IUD | 0.9 | 0.8 | 0.8 | 1.3 | 1.0 | 0.6 | 0.9 | 1.8 |
| Vasectomy | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.0 |
| Norplant | 0.5 | 0.2 | 0.6 | 0.3 | 0.7 | 0.3 | 0.9 | 0.5 |
| Emergency hormonal contraception | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 0.4 | 0.0 |
| Other | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Traditional method | 3.0 | 3.3 | 2.9 | 2.8 | 4.1 | 4.4 | 4.0 | 3.8 |
| Withdrawal | 2.7 | 3.2 | 2.7 | 1.9 | 3.7 | 4.3 | 3.7 | 2.5 |
| Calendar/Rhythm/Billings | 0.3 | 0.1 | 0.2 | 0.9 | 0.4 | 0.1 | 0.3 | 1.3 |
| Not using | 45.1 | 46.8 | 44.5 | 44.8 | 27.5 | 29.5 | 27.3 | 22.7 |
| Total | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| No. of Cases | 8,256 | 2,183 | 5,078 | 995 | 5,875 | 1,570 | 3,616 | 689 |

[^36]| Table 6.3.10 <br> Current Contraceptive Use among All Women and Women Currently in Union * Aged 15-49 Years by Frequency of Church Attendance and Method Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | All Women Aged 15-49 Years |  |  |  |  |  | Women Currently in Union Aged 15-49 Years |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | equency | of Church | Attendanc |  |  |  | equency | of Church | Attendanc |  |
| Current Use and Method | Total | At Least Weekly | At Least Monthly |  | Special Occasions | Never | Total | At Least Weekly | At Least Monthly | $\begin{array}{c\|} \hline \text { Less } \\ \text { Than } \\ \text { Monthly } \end{array}$ | Special Occasions | Never |
| Any method | 54.9 | 42.0 | 59.5 | 62.2 | 64.9 | 59.4 | 72.5 | 68.0 | 76.1 | 76.9 | 73.2 | 68.8 |
| Modern method | 51.9 | 39.2 | 55.9 | 59.7 | 62.4 | 55.3 | 68.3 | 63.7 | 71.3 | 73.6 | 70.2 | 63.6 |
| Condom | 19.4 | 13.5 | 21.0 | 25.0 | 24.4 | 18.2 | 25.2 | 22.1 | 27.3 | 29.7 | 26.9 | 20.8 |
| Pill | 12.9 | 8.7 | 14.9 | 16.0 | 15.7 | 13.8 | 17.3 | 14.6 | 18.4 | 20.1 | 18.0 | 16.6 |
| Injectables | 10.2 | 6.0 | 9.5 | 11.1 | 14.7 | 14.8 | 13.8 | 10.0 | 11.7 | 14.2 | 17.6 | 17.3 |
| Female sterilization | 7.8 | 9.6 | 8.8 | 6.5 | 5.5 | 7.0 | 10.0 | 14.8 | 11.6 | 8.3 | 5.8 | 7.1 |
| IUD | 0.9 | 0.9 | 1.1 | 0.5 | 1.2 | 0.1 | 1.0 | 1.3 | 1.5 | 0.6 | 0.9 | 0.1 |
| Vasectomy | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Norplant | 0.5 | 0.5 | 0.4 | 0.2 | 0.7 | 0.5 | 0.7 | 0.8 | 0.6 | 0.2 | 0.9 | 0.6 |
| Emergency hormonal contraception | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.4 | 0.2 | 0.9 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.5 | 0.1 | 1.1 |
| Other | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Traditional method | 3.0 | 2.8 | 3.4 | 2.4 | 2.6 | 4.2 | 4.1 | 4.3 | 4.8 | 3.3 | 3.0 | 5.2 |
| Withdrawal | 2.7 | 2.4 | 3.1 | 2.1 | 2.4 | 4.1 | 3.7 | 3.7 | 4.4 | 2.9 | 2.8 | 5.1 |
| Calendar/Rhythm/Billings | 0.3 | 0.4 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.4 | 0.6 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.2 | 0.1 |
| Not using | 45.1 | 58.0 | 40.5 | 37.8 | 35.1 | 40.6 | 27.5 | 32.0 | 23.9 | 23.1 | 26.8 | 31.2 |
| Total | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| No. of Cases | 8,241 | 2,856 | 1,417 | 1,256 | 1,820 | 892 | 5,867 | 1,735 | 1,033 | 961 | 1,441 | 697 |

* Includes women legally married, women in consensual unions, and women in visiting partnerships.
+ Excludes 18 women with missing information on church attendance.
$\dagger$ Excludes 18 women with missing information on church attendance.

| Table 6.3.11 <br> Current Use of a Secondary Contraceptive Method among All Women and Women Currently in Union ${ }^{*}$ Aged 15-49 Years by Select Characteristics Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | All Women |  | Women Currently in Union |  |
| Characteristic | \% | No. of Cases | \% | No. of Cases |
| Total | 21.4 | 4,647 | 21.8 | 4,178 |
| Residence <br> Kingston Metropolitan Area Other urban <br> Rural <br> Health region <br> 1 <br> 2 |  |  |  |  |
|  | 22.8 | 651 | 24.0 | 585 |
|  | 20.2 | 1,278 | 19.8 | 1,154 |
|  | 21.8 | 2,718 | 22.5 | 2,439 |
|  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 21.4 | 1,281 | 21.8 | 1,153 |
|  | 25.6 | 1,011 | 26.1 | 887 |
|  | 15.7 | 1,257 | 16.0 | 1,138 |
|  | 24.1 | 1,098 | 24.5 | 1,000 |
| Parish |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston | 20.2 | 350 | 20.8 | 310 |
| St.Andrew | 21.2 | 350 | 22.7 | 318 |
| St.Thomas | 21.8 | 275 | 22.6 | 248 |
| Portland | 22.2 | 286 | 21.0 | 237 |
| St.Mary | 23.9 | 291 | 23.0 | 249 |
| St.Ann | 28.0 | 434 | 29.8 | 401 |
| Trelawny | 16.9 | 298 | 17.0 | 265 |
| St.James | 10.7 | 338 | 11.0 | 306 |
| Hanover | 11.1 | 288 | 10.7 | 258 |
| Westmoreland | 23.0 | 333 | 23.4 | 309 |
| St.Elizabeth | 19.2 | 311 | 16.1 | 282 |
| Manchester | 29.5 | 389 | 31.8 | 358 |
| Clarendon | 23.3 | 398 | 24.3 | 360 |
| St.Catherine | 21.8 | 306 | 21.0 | 277 |
| Age group |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 20.2 | 323 | 21.8 | 208 |
| 20-24 | 27.9 | 718 | 28.0 | 654 |
| 25-29 | 27.4 | 858 | 28.0 | 794 |
| 30-34 | 21.7 | 796 | 22.0 | 757 |
| 35-39 | 19.0 | 777 | 19.0 | 715 |
| 40-44 | 14.7 | 641 | 14.2 | 585 |
| 45-49 | 8.2 | 534 | 8.7 | 465 |
| Education level (in years) ${ }^{\dagger}$ |  |  |  |  |
| 0-9 | 19.9 | 1,231 | 19.5 | 1,111 |
| 10-12 | 21.6 | 2,867 | 22.2 | 2,577 |
| 13 or more | 23.3 | 547 | 23.2 | 488 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 22.7 | 1,215 | 22.8 | 1,102 |
| Second | 26.2 | 992 | 26.2 | 889 |
| Middle | 18.6 | 938 | 19.2 | 835 |
| Fourth | 17.6 | 837 | 18.6 | 744 |
| Highest | 21.9 | 665 | 21.9 | 608 |

[^37]| Table 6.3.12 <br> Current Use of a Secondary Contraceptive Method among All Women and Women Currently in Union * Aged 15-49 Years <br> by Primary and Secondary Method Used <br> Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Secondary Contraceptive Method |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | No. of Cases |
| Primary Contraceptive Method | None | Condom | Withdrawal | Emergency Contraception | Natural Methods | Other | Total |  |
| All Women Aged 15-49 Years |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Any method | 78.6 | 19.7 | 0.8 | 0.4 | 0.2 | 0.3 | 100.0 | 4,647 |
| Pill | 58.4 | 41.4 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 1,066 |
| Injectables | 65.1 | 33.8 | 0.8 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.4 | 100.0 | 901 |
| IUD | 64.9 | 35.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 65 |
| Female sterilization | 81.7 | 17.6 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.6 | 100.0 | 760 |
| Condom | 96.4 | 0.0 | 1.6 | 1.2 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 100.0 | 1,548 |
| Withdrawal | 97.3 | 2.4 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 235 |
| Norplant | 63.5 | 18.9 | 14.6 | 2.9 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 24 |
| Calendar/Rhythm/Billings | 58.0 | 42.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 33 |
| Women Currently in Union Aged 15-49 Years |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Any method | 78.2 | 20.1 | 0.9 | 0.4 | 0.1 | 0.3 | 100.0 | 4,178 |
| Pill | 58.8 | 41.0 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 986 |
| Injectables | 63.7 | 35.1 | 0.8 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.4 | 100.0 | 825 |
| IUD | 76.4 | 23.6 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 56 |
| Tubal ligation | 80.4 | 18.9 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.7 | 100.0 | 647 |
| Condom | 96.6 | 0.0 | 1.7 | 1.0 | 0.3 | 0.4 | 100.0 | 1,374 |
| Withdrawal | 97.1 | 2.5 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 224 |
| Norplant | 58.0 | 42.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 33 |
| Calendar/Rhythm/Billings | 61.8 | 19.8 | 15.3 | 3.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 22 |

* Includes women legally married, women in consensual unions, and women in visiting partnerships.

| Table 6.3.13 <br> Current Contraceptive Use and Concurrent Use of a Secondary Contraceptive Method among All Women and Women in Union Aged 15-49 Years by Select Characteristics Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | All Women |  | Women in Union |  |
| Characteristic | \% | No. of Cases | \% | No. of Cases |
| Total | 21.4 | 4,647 | 21.8 | 4,178 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 22.8 | 651 | 24.0 | 585 |
| Other urban | 20.2 | 1,278 | 19.8 | 1,154 |
| Rural | 21.8 | 2,718 | 22.5 | 2,439 |
| Health region |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 21.4 | 1,281 | 21.8 | 1,153 |
| 2 | 25.6 | 1,011 | 26.1 | 887 |
| 3 | 15.7 | 1,257 | 16.0 | 1,138 |
| 4 | 24.1 | 1,098 | 24.5 | 1,000 |
| Parish |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston | 20.2 | 350 | 20.8 | 310 |
| St.Andrew | 21.2 | 350 | 22.7 | 318 |
| St.Thomas | 21.8 | 275 | 22.6 | 248 |
| Portland | 22.2 | 286 | 21.0 | 237 |
| St.Mary | 23.9 | 291 | 23.0 | 249 |
| St.Ann | 28.0 | 434 | 29.8 | 401 |
| Trelawny | 16.9 | 298 | 17.0 | 265 |
| St.James | 10.7 | 338 | 11.0 | 306 |
| Hanover | 11.1 | 288 | 10.7 | 258 |
| Westmoreland | 23.0 | 333 | 23.4 | 309 |
| St.Elizabeth | 19.2 | 311 | 16.1 | 282 |
| Manchester | 29.5 | 389 | 31.8 | 358 |
| Clarendon | 23.3 | 398 | 24.3 | 360 |
| St.Catherine | 21.8 | 306 | 21.0 | 277 |
| Age group |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 20.2 | 323 | 21.8 | 208 |
| 20-24 | 27.9 | 718 | 28.0 | 654 |
| 25-29 | 27.4 | 858 | 28.0 | 794 |
| 30-34 | 21.7 | 796 | 22.0 | 757 |
| 35-39 | 19.0 | 777 | 19.0 | 715 |
| 40-44 | 14.7 | 641 | 14.2 | 585 |
| 45-49 | 8.2 | 534 | 8.7 | 465 |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-9 | 19.9 | 1,231 | 19.5 | 1,111 |
| 10-12 | 21.6 | 2,867 | 22.2 | 2,577 |
| 13 or more | 23.3 | 547 | 23.2 | 488 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 22.7 | 1,215 | 22.8 | 1,102 |
| Second | 26.2 | 992 | 26.2 | 889 |
| Middle | 18.6 | 938 | 19.2 | 835 |
| Fourth | 17.6 | 837 | 18.6 | 744 |
| Highest | 21.9 | 665 | 21.9 | 608 |

[^38]Table 6.4.1
Source of Supply for Selected Contraceptive Methods among All Women and Women Currently in Union ${ }^{*}$ Aged 15-49 Years Who Are Currently Using Modern Methods by Residence and Method

Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008

| Source of Contraception | Contraceptive Method |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Condom |  |  | Pill |  |  | Injectables |  |  | Female Sterilization |  |  |
|  | Total | Residence |  | Total | Residence |  | Total | Residence |  | Total | Residence |  |
|  |  | Rural | Urban |  | Rural | Urban |  | Rural | Urban |  | Rural | Urban |
|  | All Women Aged 15-49 Years |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Pharmacy | 47.1 | 36.8 | 54.2 | 66.4 | 63.1 | 68.9 | 0.3 | 0.5 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Puiblic health clinic/centre | 19.8 | 23.4 | 17.3 | 27.7 | 33.3 | 23.2 | 89.8 | 95.7 | 84.0 | 4.2 | 3.3 | 4.9 |
| Private doctor | 0.2 | 0.4 | 0.1 | 3.0 | 1.9 | 3.9 | 3.0 | 1.3 | 4.6 | 0.4 | 0.3 | 0.4 |
| Private clinic | 0.2 | 0.3 | 0.2 | 0.8 | 0.3 | 1.2 | 1.2 | 0.4 | 2.0 | 0.3 | 0.8 | 0.0 |
| Government hospital | 0.4 | 0.2 | 0.5 | 0.5 | 0.5 | 0.4 | 5.4 | 1.7 | 9.0 | 83.8 | 93.1 | 76.7 |
| Shop/supermarket | 26.8 | 33.5 | 22.1 | 0.5 | 0.5 | 0.5 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Private hospital | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.4 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 9.3 | 2.6 | 14.3 |
| Does not know | 2.3 | 2.9 | 1.8 | 0.7 | 0.2 | 1.1 | 0.1 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 2.0 | 0.0 | 3.6 |
| Other | 3.2 | 2.4 | 3.7 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Total | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| No. of Cases | 1,548 | 863 | 685 | 1,066 | 643 | 423 | 901 | 567 | 334 | 760 | 442 | 318 |
|  |  |  |  |  | omen C | ntly in U | Aged | Years |  |  |  |  |
| Pharmacy | 47.0 | 37.3 | 53.2 | 65.9 | 61.9 | 69.2 | 0.3 | 0.6 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Puiblic health clinic/centre | 21.4 | 26.3 | 18.3 | 29.1 | 34.4 | 24.9 | 89.9 | 95.6 | 84.5 | 4.3 | 3.8 | 4.8 |
| Private doctor | 0.3 | 0.4 | 0.2 | 3.0 | 2.1 | 3.8 | 2.6 | 1.5 | 3.7 | 0.4 | 0.2 | 0.5 |
| Private clinic | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.5 | 0.3 | 0.6 | 1.3 | 0.3 | 2.2 | 0.4 | 0.9 | 0.0 |
| Government hospital | 0.4 | 0.2 | 0.6 | 0.5 | 0.6 | 0.5 | 5.7 | 1.7 | 9.4 | 82.3 | 92.3 | 74.8 |
| Shop/supermarket | 25.4 | 30.7 | 22.1 | 0.4 | 0.5 | 0.3 | 0.1 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Private hospital | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.3 | 0.1 | 0.4 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 10.3 | 2.9 | 15.8 |
| Does not know | 2.0 | 2.1 | 1.9 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 2.4 | 0.0 | 4.1 |
| Other | 3.1 | 2.6 | 3.5 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Total | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| No. of Cases | 1,374 | 748 | 626 | 986 | 596 | 390 | 825 | 520 | 305 | 647 | 384 | 263 |

* Includes women legally married, women in consensual unions, and women in visiting partnerships.

| Table 6.4.2 <br> Source of Supply for Selected Contraceptive Methods among Women Aged 15-49 Years Not Currently in Union Who Are Currently Using Selected Modern Methods Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008, 2002, 1997 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Contraceptive Method |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Source of Contraception | Pill | Condom | Injectables | Female Sterilization | Pill | Condom | Injectables | Female Sterilization | Pill | Condom | Injectables | Female Sterilization |
|  | 2008 |  |  |  | 2002 |  |  |  | 1997 |  |  |  |
| Pharmacy | 71.1 | 48.2 | 0.6 | 0.0 | 71.5 | 35.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 72.8 | 57.2 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Public health centre/clinic | 12.5 | 6.4 | 88.4 | 3.3 | 16.5 | 2.6 | 94.2 | 0.0 | 23.9 | 6.7 | 83.0 | 0.0 |
| Private doctor | 2.6 | 0.0 | 8.0 | 0.4 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 4.2 | 3.4 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 6.9 | 0.0 |
| Private clinic | 4.4 | 0.3 | 1.1 | 0.0 | 0.8 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.3 | 2.5 | 2.4 |
| Outreach worker | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Shop/market | 1.7 | 37.6 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 9.7 | 39.8 | 1.5 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 24.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Government hospital | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.9 | 94.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 79.9 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 7.6 | 91.9 |
| Workplace | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.9 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 2.3 | 1.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Private hospital | 0.0 | 3.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.7 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 5.1 |
| Other | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 2.3 | 0.0 | 1.2 | 0.0 | 14.7 | 1.0 | 10.0 | 0.0 | 0.6 |
| Does not know | 7.7 | 4.5 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.5 | 19.4 | 0.0 | 1.3 | * | * | * | * |
| Total | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| No. of Cases | 80 | 174 | 76 | 113 | 60 | 114 | 59 | 117 | 67 | 116 | 51 | 103 |

[^39]| Table 6.4.3 <br> Availability of Family Planning Services at the Government Clinics or Health Centres for All Women Aged 15-49 Years Who Obtain Contraception from Government Sources by Selected Characteristics Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008, 2002, 1997 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Availability of Family Planning Services at the Government Clinics or Health Centres |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Characteristic | At Any <br> Time | Only Certain Times Or Days | Not Sure | Total | No. of Cases | At Any Time | Only Certain Times Or Days | Not Sure | Total | No. of Cases | At Any Time | Only Certain Times Or Days | Not Sure | Total | No. of Cases |
|  | 2008 |  |  |  |  | 2002 |  |  |  |  | 1997 |  |  |  |  |
| Total | 51.2 | 47.3 | 1.5 | 100.0 | 1,608 | 30.6 | 63.9 | 5.5 | 100.0 | 1,144 | 41.0 | 56.1 | 3.0 | 100.0 | 1,167 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 58.6 | 39.9 | 1.4 | 100.0 | 224 | 17.5 | 72.6 | 9.9 | 100.0 | 116 | 31.8 | 66.1 | 2.1 | 100.0 | 158 |
| Other urban | 43.9 | 54.5 | 1.6 | 100.0 | 354 | 33.9 | 60.3 | 5.8 | 100.0 | 236 | 45.5 | 50.1 | 4.4 | 100.0 | 184 |
| Rural | 52.7 | 45.8 | 1.5 | 100.0 | 1,030 | 32.4 | 63.2 | 4.3 | 100.0 | 792 | 43.5 | 53.6 | 2.9 | 100.0 | 825 |
| Health region |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 47.5 | 51.7 | 0.8 | 100.0 | 458 | 18.9 | 75.4 | 5.7 | 100.0 | 379 | 31.4 | 67.0 | 1.6 | 100.0 | 317 |
| 2 | 37.7 | 61.6 | 0.7 | 100.0 | 289 | 26.8 | 60.3 | 12.8 | 100.0 | 210 | 36.2 | 61.1 | 2.7 | 100.0 | 249 |
| 3 | 67.2 | 29.5 | 3.3 | 100.0 | 425 | 56.0 | 42.0 | 2.0 | 100.0 | 277 | 69.3 | 26.4 | 4.3 | 100.0 | 288 |
| 4 | 51.4 | 46.9 | 1.7 | 100.0 | 436 | 34.6 | 62.2 | 3.3 | 100.0 | 278 | 40.1 | 55.8 | 4.1 | 100.0 | 313 |
| Socio economic status |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Low | 50.9 | 47.5 | 1.6 | 100.0 | 890 | 31.5 | 66.6 | 1.9 | 100.0 | 402 | 41.3 | 55.3 | 3.4 | 100.0 | 706 |
| Medium | 47.9 | 50.8 | 1.3 | 100.0 | 498 | 29.0 | 64.8 | 6.2 | 100.0 | 548 | 43.3 | 54.2 | 2.4 | 100.0 | 334 |
| High | 57.7 | 40.9 | 1.5 | 100.0 | 220 | 32.9 | 57.2 | 9.9 | 100.0 | 194 | 34.6 | 62.9 | 2.5 | 100.0 | 127 |


| Table 6.4.4Length of Travel Time to a Source of Contraception for All Women Aged 15-49 Years Who Are Currently Using a Supplied Method by Selected Characteristics Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008, 2002, 1997 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Characteristic | Length of Travel Time to a Source of Contraception (in Minutes) |  |  |  |  |  | Total | $\begin{aligned} & \text { No. of } \\ & \text { Cases } \end{aligned}$ |
|  | 0* | Less than 15 | 15-29 | 30-59 | 60 or More | No Response |  |  |
|  | 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total | 0.3 | 42.0 | 31.0 | 20.6 | 4.0 | 2.1 | 100.0 | 3,550 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 0.2 | 48.0 | 35.0 | 13.9 | 0.9 | 2.0 | 100.0 | 512 |
| Other urban | 0.4 | 51.9 | 28.7 | 15.4 | 1.9 | 1.7 | 100.0 | 937 |
| Rural | 0.2 | 31.4 | 30.9 | 28.0 | 7.0 | 2.5 | 100.0 | 2,101 |
| Health region <br> 1 | 0.3 | 46.4 | 28.2 | 19.5 | 3.5 | 2.1 | 100.0 | 989 |
| 2 | 0.1 | 35.7 | 34.3 | 24.1 | 2.9 | 2.9 | 100.0 | 758 |
| 3 | 0.2 | 40.8 | 32.7 | 22.0 | 1.9 | 2.4 | 100.0 | 942 |
| 4 | 0.2 | 38.2 | 33.1 | 19.7 | 7.3 | 1.5 | 100.0 | 861 |
| Socio economic status |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Low | 0.1 | 36.6 | 32.8 | 24.0 | 5.1 | 1.4 | 100.0 | 1,447 |
| Medium | 0.3 | 41.7 | 29.4 | 22.1 | 4.0 | 2.5 | 100.0 | 1,231 |
| High | 0.4 | 48.7 | 30.6 | 15.1 | 2.5 | 2.6 | 100.0 | 872 |
|  | 2002 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total | 2.4 | 42.9 | 28.0 | 18.8 | 5.3 | 2.6 | 100.0 | 3,008 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 2.7 | 47.2 | 25.9 | 15.3 | 2.0 | 6.9 | 100.0 | 431 |
| Other urban | 2.5 | 55.4 | 28.2 | 10.1 | 2.0 | 1.8 | 100.0 | 824 |
| Rural | 2.1 | 32.7 | 28.8 | 26.3 | 8.8 | 1.3 | 100.0 | 1,743 |
| Health region |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 2.3 | 46.4 | 27.2 | 15.4 | 5.1 | 3.5 | 100.0 | 1,197 |
| 2 | 0.9 | 35.3 | 26.4 | 23.9 | 12.0 | 1.5 | 100.0 | 511 |
| 3 | 4.6 | 51.5 | 28.8 | 12.1 | 1.2 | 1.7 | 100.0 | 668 |
|  | 1.8 | 33.8 | 30.1 | 27.9 | 4.7 | 1.7 | 100.0 | 632 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Low | 1.2 | 38.6 | 28.0 | 24.1 | 6.6 | 1.6 | 100.0 | 752 |
| Medium | 2.2 | 42.2 | 28.0 | 20.0 | 5.2 | 2.5 | 100.0 | 1,327 |
| High | 3.3 | 46.6 | 28.2 | 14.0 | 4.6 | 3.3 | 100.0 | 929 |
|  | 1997 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total | 2.5 | 32.6 | 32.1 | 20.8 | 7.6 | 4.5 | 100.0 | 2,552 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 3.1 | 44.9 | 30.5 | 13.7 | 3.7 | 4.1 | 100.0 | 565 |
| Other urban | 1.9 | 34.1 | 38.8 | 15.4 | 2.9 | 6.9 | 100.0 | 447 |
| Rural | 2.4 | 23.2 | 31.0 | 27.7 | 11.8 | 3.9 | 100.0 | 1,540 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 2.5 | 40.6 | 30.8 | 16.4 | 6.0 | 3.7 | 100.0 | 871 |
| 2 | 2.9 | 29.4 | 25.1 | 25.6 | 8.6 | 8.4 | 100.0 | 487 |
| 3 | 5.1 | 30.1 | 32.2 | 19.0 | 8.1 | 5.5 | 100.0 | 674 |
| 4 | 0.4 | 19.6 | 39.3 | 28.5 | 9.7 | 2.6 | 100.0 | 520 |
| Socio economic status |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Low | 1.4 | 24.7 | 30.5 | 26.4 | 12.2 | 4.8 | 100.0 | 1,152 |
| Medium | 3.1 | 33.8 | 34.6 | 19.9 | 6.0 | 2.6 | 100.0 | 828 |
| High | 3.4 | 41.8 | 31.1 | 14.4 | 3.1 | 6.2 | 100.0 | 572 |

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* Includes vasectomy, diaphragm, emergency contraception, spermicides, natural methods, female condom, and the hormonal patch.
$\dagger$ Excludes 1 woman with missing information.
$\ddagger$ Less than 25 cases.

| Table 6.5.2 <br> Most Commonly Cited Reasons for Not Using the Prefered Method among Women Currently in Union Aged 15-49 Years Who Are Currently Using Contraception and Desire to Switch to Another Method by Selected Characteristics Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Reasons for Not Using the Preferred Method |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Total | $\begin{aligned} & \text { No. of } \\ & \text { Cases } \end{aligned}$ |
| Characteristic |  | Fear of Side Effects | Difficult to Obtain or Difficult Access | $\begin{array}{\|c\|} \hline \text { Doctor Will } \\ \text { Not } \\ \text { Prescribe } \\ \hline \end{array}$ | Partner <br> Objects | Cost | Difficult to Use | Does Not Have Time | Blood <br> Presure High | Fear of Surgery | Other | Do Not Know |  |  |
| Total | 35.5 | 21.3 | 12.0 | 6.2 | 5.1 | 4.5 | 2.7 | 2.3 | 1.6 | 1.3 | 4.1 | 3.2 | 100.0 | 444 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 39.4 | 18.3 | 6.2 | 8.7 | 0.4 | 13.1 | 1.6 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 8.1 | 4.2 | 100.0 | 58 |
| Other urban | 29.9 | 23.5 | 15.4 | 3.8 | 6.5 | 1.0 | 2.0 | 4.6 | 1.8 | 2.2 | 4.9 | 4.2 | 100.0 | 140 |
| Rural | 39.6 | 20.4 | 11.1 | 7.7 | 5.7 | 4.4 | 4.0 | 1.0 | 2.2 | 0.9 | 1.6 | 1.6 | 100.0 | 246 |
| Age group |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 51.6 | 20.9 | 2.8 | 4.6 | 5.3 | 3.4 | 3.6 | 1.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 6.9 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 30 |
| 20-24 | 32.0 | 21.6 | 12.4 | 7.3 | 2.1 | 9.3 | 4.2 | 1.4 | 0.0 | 2.5 | 2.6 | 4.7 | 100.0 | 88 |
| 25-29 | 44.5 | 14.7 | 13.9 | 2.9 | 4.4 | 1.1 | 2.7 | 1.0 | 1.1 | 0.0 | 7.1 | 6.5 | 100.0 | 104 |
| 30-34 | 32.4 | 27.0 | 9.2 | 10.7 | 2.6 | 4.0 | 3.0 | 0.6 | 4.4 | 1.3 | 2.0 | 2.7 | 100.0 | 86 |
| 35-39 | 26.4 | 26.0 | 10.5 | 6.2 | 12.1 | 3.8 | 1.1 | 5.4 | 2.5 | 1.7 | 4.3 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 71 |
| 40-44 | 36.6 | 9.9 | 28.6 | 3.0 | 7.6 | 1.7 | 0.9 | 0.0 | 1.3 | 1.3 | 5.5 | 3.6 | 100.0 | 46 |
| 45-49 | 22.3 | 33.2 | 4.5 | 3.6 | 6.1 | 1.5 | 0.0 | 25.0 | 3.8 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 19 |
| Education level (in years)* |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-9 | 31.1 | 14.2 | 21.0 | 6.7 | 1.8 | 5.7 | 3.5 | 3.6 | 2.8 | 0.4 | 2.3 | 6.9 | 100.0 | 120 |
| 10-12 | 36.8 | 21.9 | 10.2 | 7.2 | 5.9 | 4.5 | 2.0 | 2.3 | 1.3 | 1.5 | 4.0 | 2.3 | 100.0 | 269 |
| 13 or more | 36.9 | 31.6 | 4.9 | 0.0 | 6.9 | 2.2 | 5.8 | 0.0 | 1.3 | 1.4 | 8.4 | 0.6 | 100.0 | 55 |
| Current contraceptive use Injectables | 45.4 | 10.0 | 15.6 | 9.9 | 0.9 | 4.1 | 2.3 | 3.7 | 1.3 | 0.4 | 1.2 | 5.2 | 100.0 | 99 |
| Pill | 26.7 | 23.4 | 21.6 | 8.4 | 5.4 | 1.7 | 1.7 | 2.1 | 1.0 | 1.5 | 4.5 | 1.9 | 100.0 | 101 |
| Condom | 37.9 | 29.7 | 7.2 | 3.6 | 3.1 | 3.3 | 4.2 | 0.6 | 1.5 | 0.4 | 5.8 | 2.6 | 100.0 | 182 |
| Withdrawal | 39.4 | 12.5 | 4.1 | 5.5 | 18.0 | 0.0 | 1.6 | 0.0 | 3.7 | 6.6 | 3.5 | 5.1 | 100.0 | 53 |

[^41]| Characteristic | Use Con Aged 15 by Se <br> ductive | 6.6.1 <br> on in t <br> Who <br> racteri <br> urvey: | ture among ot Currently <br> ica, 2008 |  | eption |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Desire to Use Contraception in the Future |  |  | Total | No. of Cases |
|  | Yes | No | Undecided |  |  |
| Total | 57.2 | 28.8 | 14.1 | 100.0 | 2,800 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 47.5 | 36.8 | 15.7 | 100.0 | 390 |
| Other urban | 59.7 | 29.6 | 10.7 | 100.0 | 825 |
| Rural | 59.1 | 24.5 | 16.4 | 100.0 | 1,585 |
| Health region |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 53.3 | 32.9 | 13.7 | 100.0 | 799 |
| 2 | 60.8 | 27.0 | 12.2 | 100.0 | 586 |
| 3 | 54.7 | 29.4 | 15.8 | 100.0 | 812 |
| 4 | 65.6 | 20.3 | 14.1 | 100.0 | 603 |
| Age group |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 78.7 | 13.8 | 7.5 | 100.0 | 235 |
| 20-24 | 79.6 | 10.6 | 9.8 | 100.0 | 341 |
| 25-29 | 72.0 | 11.8 | 16.2 | 100.0 | 466 |
| 30-34 | 65.4 | 18.0 | 16.6 | 100.0 | 407 |
| 35-39 | 52.9 | 27.1 | 20.1 | 100.0 | 435 |
| 40-44 | 33.4 | 51.5 | 15.1 | 100.0 | 429 |
| 45-49 | 16.8 | 74.1 | 9.1 | 100.0 | 487 |
| No. of children born alive |  |  |  |  |  |
| $0$ | 63.4 | 22.8 | 13.8 | 100.0 | 686 |
| 1 | 62.9 | 23.8 | 13.3 | 100.0 | 714 |
| 2 | 57.9 | 28.0 | 14.2 | 100.0 | 562 |
| 3 | 50.7 | 35.9 | 13.4 | 100.0 | 343 |
| 4 or more | 39.2 | 44.2 | 16.6 | 100.0 | 495 |
| Education level (in years)* |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-9 | 46.5 | 38.9 | 14.6 | 100.0 | 715 |
| 10-12 | 59.3 | 25.9 | 14.8 | 100.0 | 1,710 |
| 13 or more | 64.1 | 25.6 | 10.3 | 100.0 | 374 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 54.3 | 26.9 | 18.8 | 100.0 | 646 |
| Second | 58.1 | 28.2 | 13.8 | 100.0 | 588 |
| Middle | 60.6 | 25.3 | 14.1 | 100.0 | 563 |
| Fourth | 54.3 | 34.4 | 11.3 | 100.0 | 612 |
| Highest | 59.2 | 28.7 | 12.0 | 100.0 | 391 |

[^42]Table 6.6.2

| Table 6.6.2Prefered Future Contraceptive Method among Sexually Experienced Women Aged 15-49 Years Who Are Not Currently Using Contraceptionby Select CharacteristicsReproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Characteristic | Prefered Future Contraceptive Method |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Total | $\begin{aligned} & \text { No. of } \\ & \text { Cases } \end{aligned}$ |
|  | Condom | Pill | Injectables | Female Sterilization | Norplant | IUD | Not Sure | Other | No Response |  |  |
| Total | 39.5 | 23.5 | 16.9 | 6.0 | 4.4 | 2.5 | 2.7 | 3.6 | 0.9 | 100.0 | 1558 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 38.9 | 14.4 | 16.0 | 5.9 | 12.6 | 2.4 | 3.3 | 6.5 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 180 |
| Other urban | 41.8 | 24.0 | 15.4 | 6.3 | 2.2 | 3.2 | 2.9 | 3.3 | 0.9 | 100.0 | 466 |
| Rural | 37.7 | 26.2 | 18.5 | 5.7 | 3.5 | 2.0 | 2.3 | 2.8 | 1.2 | 100.0 | 912 |
| Health region |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 40.0 | 19.0 | 18.1 | 6.5 | 6.8 | 1.9 | 3.0 | 4.3 | 0.4 | 100.0 | 374 |
| 2 | 43.2 | 25.0 | 14.2 | 3.6 | 5.7 | 2.0 | 3.4 | 2.5 | 0.5 | 100.0 | 357 |
| 3 | 42.1 | 26.5 | 13.3 | 5.9 | 1.0 | 3.8 | 2.3 | 3.0 | 2.1 | 100.0 | 445 |
| 4 | 34.6 | 28.0 | 19.1 | 6.5 | 2.2 | 3.0 | 2.1 | 3.5 | 1.0 | 100.0 | 382 |
| Age group |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 48.3 | 27.1 | 13.8 | 0.5 | 4.7 | 0.4 | 0.8 | 3.8 | 0.6 | 100.0 | 194 |
| 20-24 | 34.2 | 23.1 | 20.6 | 2.3 | 8.8 | 3.2 | 1.3 | 5.1 | 1.4 | 100.0 | 280 |
| 25-29 | 34.4 | 22.7 | 22.7 | 4.1 | 4.4 | 3.5 | 3.4 | 3.5 | 1.3 | 100.0 | 342 |
| 30-34 | 37.0 | 25.8 | 14.3 | 11.5 | 2.4 | 3.9 | 3.3 | 1.6 | 0.2 | 100.0 | 272 |
| 35-39 | 38.0 | 26.3 | 14.5 | 9.3 | 2.7 | 1.9 | 2.6 | 3.9 | 0.9 | 100.0 | 237 |
| 40-44 | 49.2 | 16.7 | 10.3 | 9.4 | 2.5 | 1.1 | 7.2 | 2.9 | 0.8 | 100.0 | 152 |
| 45-49 | 60.8 | 8.4 | 13.0 | 8.0 | 1.2 | 0.8 | 0.0 | 6.6 | 1.2 | 100.0 | 81 |
| No. of live births |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0 | 50.8 | 26.9 | 10.4 | 0.1 | 4.4 | 1.5 | 2.4 | 2.7 | 0.8 | 100.0 | 438 |
| 1 | 34.0 | 24.5 | 21.9 | 3.9 | 4.4 | 2.5 | 2.7 | 4.6 | 1.5 | 100.0 | 430 |
| 2 | 37.9 | 23.9 | 18.7 | 7.1 | 4.8 | 2.4 | 2.5 | 1.9 | 0.8 | 100.0 | 308 |
| 3 | 27.7 | 20.5 | 14.8 | 16.5 | 2.6 | 6.8 | 3.4 | 7.1 | 0.5 | 100.0 | 175 |
| 4 or more | 34.0 | 11.9 | 22.8 | 17.5 | 5.6 | 1.7 | 3.2 | 2.9 | 0.4 | 100.0 | 207 |
| Education level (in years) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-9 | 37.1 | 19.9 | 20.9 | 8.4 | 4.4 | 2.9 | 3.3 | 1.6 | 1.4 | 100.0 | 317 |
| 10-12 | 38.1 | 23.9 | 18.0 | 5.8 | 5.4 | 2.0 | 2.6 | 3.6 | 0.6 | 100.0 | 1005 |
| 13 or more | 47.6 | 25.7 | 8.1 | 4.1 | 0.6 | 4.2 | 2.4 | 5.9 | 1.4 | 100.0 | 236 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 36.6 | 21.9 | 21.7 | 7.6 | 5.1 | 1.6 | 2.4 | 2.5 | 0.6 | 100.0 | 362 |
| Second | 40.0 | 20.6 | 19.3 | 8.7 | 4.6 | 2.4 | 1.6 | 2.2 | 0.5 | 100.0 | 323 |
| Middle | 41.7 | 21.6 | 18.4 | 4.6 | 3.2 | 1.8 | 3.5 | 3.8 | 1.5 | 100.0 | 324 |
| Fourth | 39.4 | 23.2 | 14.3 | 3.8 | 4.6 | 2.3 | 4.9 | 6.8 | 0.6 | 100.0 | 328 |
| Highest | 39.8 | 30.4 | 10.3 | 5.7 | 4.5 | 4.8 | 0.7 | 2.6 | 1.2 | 100.0 | 221 |


| Table 6.7.1 <br> Contraceptive Failure and Discontinuation Rates after One, Two and Three Years for Selected Methods of Contraception-All Segments of Contraceptive Use Initiated since January 2003 Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Failure Rates |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Contraceptive Methods |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Duration | All Methods | IUD | Condom | Pill | Injectables | $\begin{array}{\|c\|} \hline \text { Female } \\ \text { Sterilization } \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Other } \\ & \text { Modern } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{array}{\|c} \begin{array}{c} \text { Calendar/Rhythm/B } \\ \text { illings } \end{array} \\ \hline \end{array}$ | Withdrawal |
| One Year | 8.4 | 1.2 | 9.7 | 5.7 | 3.6 | 0.6 | 9.6 | 23.8 | 23.6 |
| Two Years | 15.8 | 5.9 | 17.4 | 14.2 | 7.3 | 0.6 | 12.9 | 43.4 | 37.2 |
| Three Years | 21.3 | 5.9 | 24.7 | 19.9 | 9.1 | 0.9 | 20.2 | 76.2 | 43.5 |
| No. of Segments | 8,172 | 68 | 3,472 | 2,056 | 1,389 | 245 | 154 | 84 | 696 |
|  | Discontinuation Rates |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Contraceptive Methods |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Duration | All Methods | IUD | Condom | Pill | Injectables | $\begin{array}{c\|} \hline \text { Female } \\ \text { Sterilization } \end{array}$ | $\begin{gathered} \hline \text { Other } \\ \text { Modern } \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Calendar/Rhythm/B } \\ \text { illings } \end{gathered}$ | Withdrawal |
| One Year | 41.0 | 11.4 | 44.4 | 34.6 | 29.7 | 1.1 | 73.7 | 79.8 | 62.2 |
| Two Years | 58.1 | 22.1 | 60.9 | 54.8 | 49.5 | 1.1 | 84.5 | 89.8 | 76.8 |
| Three Years | 69.0 | 25.6 | 72.5 | 67.9 | 61.0 | 1.3 | 85.8 | 96.1 | 82.0 |
| No. of Segments | 8,172 | 68 | 3,472 | 2,056 | 1,389 | 245 | 154 | 84 | 696 |


| Table 6.7.2 <br> Contraceptive Discontinuation Rates After One Year by Primary Reason for Discontinuing Contraception for Selected Methods of Contraception - <br> All Segments of Contraceptive Used Initiated Since January 2003 Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Contraceptive Method |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Main Reason For Discontinuing Contraception* | All Methods | IUD | Condom | Pill | Injectables | Female Sterilization | Other Modern Method | Calendar/Rhythm/B illings | Withdrawal | Other |
| Total | 61.0 | 28.6 | 66.0 | 59.7 | 49.8 | 1.2 | 73.1 | 87.4 | 73.8 | 81.1 |
| Got Pregnant while using | 11.1 | 4.2 | 12.5 | 10.2 | 5.7 | 0.7 | 7.5 | 12.9 | 20.6 | 20.0 |
| Wanted to try other method | 7.7 | 0.0 | 9.4 | 3.9 | 1.1 | 0.0 | 21.0 | 41.7 | 16.1 | 0.0 |
| Side Effects | 7.4 | 9.6 | 1.3 | 15.4 | 18.5 | 0.0 | 5.1 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.0 |
| Sporadic Sexual Activity | 6.1 | 0.0 | 9.4 | 3.7 | 0.8 | 0.0 | 2.7 | 4.0 | 8.0 | 47.8 |
| Marriage/Relationship Ended | 4.6 | 1.0 | 6.2 | 4.6 | 2.6 | 0.0 | 0.8 | 6.8 | 2.3 | 4.7 |
| Wanted to get Pregnant | 3.3 | 0.8 | 4.0 | 4.4 | 1.2 | 0.0 | 0.8 | 4.2 | 2.1 | 0.0 |
| Stopped to rest body | 3.1 | 2.1 | 1.6 | 4.7 | 7.3 | 0.0 | 0.4 | 0.0 | 1.0 | 8.6 |
| Health Concerns | 2.1 | 4.8 | 1.0 | 2.8 | 4.6 | 0.0 | 4.2 | 8.1 | 0.5 | 0.0 |
| Husband Objected | 1.3 | 0.0 | 2.7 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.8 | 0.9 | 0.7 | 0.0 |
| Supply/Availability | 1.6 | 0.0 | 2.6 | 0.8 | 0.8 | 0.0 | 3.3 | 0.0 | 0.3 | 0.0 |
| Difficult/Inconvenient to use | 0.9 | 0.0 | 1.0 | 0.8 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 4.0 | 0.0 | 1.6 | 0.0 |
| Physician Decision | 0.4 | 2.5 | 0.2 | 0.6 | 0.9 | 0.0 | 1.2 | 0.0 | 0.3 | 0.0 |
| Other | 4.6 | 1.4 | 5.6 | 4.0 | 2.8 | 0.0 | 8.4 | 2.4 | 5.3 | 0.0 |
| Not sure/Does not remember | 6.8 | 2.2 | 8.5 | 3.7 | 3.1 | 0.5 | 12.9 | 6.4 | 14.9 | 0.0 |
| No. of cases | 8,172 | 68 | 3,472 | 2,056 | 1,389 | 245 | 154 | 84 | 696 | 8 |

## Chapter 7

## Hormonal Contraceptive Use

In Jamaica, pills and injectables are the most widely used methods after condoms. This chapter specifically explores the use of hormonal methods, including the pill, injectables, and emergency hormonal contraception, a.k.a the morning-after pill. It also investigates respondents' perceptions as to the effectiveness and the risk to a woman's health associated with the use of these methods.

### 7.1 Pill Use and Opinions about its Effectiveness and Safety

Table 7.1.1 shows that a little more than half ( $53.8 \%$ ) of all women aged 15-49 years knew about the pill. This awareness was lower than average in the Kingston Metropolitan Area ( $43.3 \%$ ) and in Health Region 1 in general (49.6\%). Awareness was higher than average in Health Region $4(62.2 \%)$ and in all of the parishes that comprise it (St. Elizabeth $-60.7 \%$, Manchester-65.1\%, and Clarendon-60.7\%). Further analysis indicates that $13.0 \%$ of women who had sexual intercourse in the past 12 months reported current pill use (i.e. during the past 30 days) and $15.3 \%$ reported having used it at the last sexual intercourse. Current pill use and use at the last sex was more common among women in their twenties ( $18.1 \%$ of 20-24-yearolds and $19.5 \%$ of $25-29$-year-olds), women in common law or visiting unions ( $18.1 \%$ and $18.4 \%$, respectively), and women with at least 13 years of schooling (16.0\%).

Most women who were currently using the pill used either "Perle (low dose)" (36.2\%) or Minigynon ( $32.8 \%$ ) (Table 7.1.2). These numbers are comparable to those in the 2002 survey, although use of Minigynon has steadily expanded use since 1997 (Figure 7.1.1). As was mentioned in the 2002 survey report, the promotion of these two brands in the government-run Personal Choice social marketing program during the 1990s may have contributed to their popularity. The report also mentions that the term "Perle" may be used by some Jamaican women to refer to any brand of contraceptive pill, thereby inflating estimates of its use.

Perle and Minigynon were the most commonly used brands in all areas of residence; however, geographical differences existed in the less commonly used pills. Higher proportions of women used Lo-Femenal in urban areas other than Kingston (10.7\%) and rural areas (8.5\%) when compared to Lo-Femenal use in the Kingston metropolitan area (1.1\%). Conversely, the use of Tri-Regol was higher in Kingston metropolitan area (10.1\%) than in other urban areas (6.2\%) or rural areas (4.3\%). Yasmin, the only birth control pill that contains drospirenone, was introduced on the market in the early 2000s. Because of its important non-contraceptive benefits, such as
less water retention, less premenstrual weight gain, fewer pre-menstrual symptoms, and prevention of acne, it is an alternative for women who experience adverse effects from other oral contraceptives. Yasmin use was reported by $4.8 \%$ of women aged 15-49 years who were currently using oral contraceptives at the time of the 2008 survey, ranging from $1.9 \%$ in Kingston metropolitan area to $6.9 \%$ in other urban areas.

Figure 7.1.1
Trends in the Main Pill Brands Currently Used by Women Aged 15-49 Years: Jamaica, 1997-2008


Women aged 15-19 (51.8\%) or 45-49 years (56.6\%), those with the lowest educational attainment (50.5\%), and those residing in households with the lower wealth quintiles were more likely to report the use of Perle (low-dose) (Table 7.1.3). Women residing in Health Region 4 reported higher use of Lo-Femenal, while those residing in Region 1 reported higher use of TriRegol. The use of specific brands by other background characteristics varied little.

All respondents were asked to state their perceptions regarding the effectiveness of the pill to prevent pregnancy. Among all women aged 15-49, $26.8 \%$ considered the pill to be "very effective" and $35.4 \%$ "effective," and only $5.0 \%$ said it was "not effective" (Table 7.1.4). The pill was considered to be ineffective among higher proportions of women in St. Ann (9.9\%) and Kingston (7.3\%) parishes, among those with the least education (7.7\%), and those in the lowest wealth quintile (7.1\%) than among their counterparts. Figure 7.1.2 illustrates the relationship between education level and opinion of effectiveness with higher education levels being associated with increased confidence in the pill's effectiveness and with less uncertainty.

Figure 7.1.2
Opinions Regarding the Effectiveness of the Pill among Women Aged 15-49 Years by Years of Education: Jamaica, 2008


Table 7.1 .5 shows that $11.6 \%$ and $31.5 \%$ of women, respectively, $11.6 \%$ said that the pill was "very safe" and 31.5\% "safe" for a woman's health. One out of six women (15.8\%) considered it to be "not safe" and this was more commonly expressed among women with the lowest education level (21.0\%) and wealth quintile (21.0\%). As was the case in previous surveys, more women who had ever used or were currently using the pill had confidence in its lack of health risks, with the majority of them indicating it was very safe or safe (52.3\% of ever users and $69.5 \%$ of current users). In contrast, considerable proportions of women who had never used the pill ( $24.8 \%$ ) or were not currently using it (14.7\%) were not sure if it was safe to use this method.

### 7.2 Use of Emergency Hormonal Contraception and Opinions about its Effectiveness and Safety

Awareness of emergency hormonal contraception (the "morning-after pill") has drastically increased, from 11.4\% of women aged 15-49 years in 1997, to $48.8 \%$ in 2002 and to $83.6 \%$ in 2008 (Figure 7.2). Awareness of emergency contraception increases with educational level and wealth (Table 7.2). Actual use of the emergency contraceptive pill has more than doubled between 2002 and 2008, with $10.9 \%$ of women reporting they had ever used it in 2008, compared to $3.9 \%$ in 2002. Emergency contraceptive use was more common among women in their 20 s and it increased with educational attainment and wealth, up to the fourth quintile.

Figure 7.2
Awareness and Ever Use of the Emergency Hormonal Contraception among Women Aged 15-49 Years: Jamaica, 2002-2008


### 7.3 Use of Injectables and Opinions about its Effectiveness and Safety

As with the pill, this chapter examines the perceived effectiveness and safety of injectable contraceptives. There are two progestin-only injectables (POI) being used in Jamaica: Depo Provera, a.k.a DMPA, which is given every 12 to 14 weeks, is the POI provided by the public sector family planning clinics; and Noristerat, which is given every 8 weeks, is only available in the private sector. Combined contraceptive injections containing a combination of estrogen and progestin (Mesigyna), must be injected once a month and are also used in the private sector.

A quarter (24.5\%) and a third (33.9\%) of women, respectively, reported that injectables were "very effective" or "effective" (Table 7.3.1). Only 5.3\% of women said it was "not effective." Young age, lack of sexual experience or steady relationship, and lack of experience with injectables were associated with less knowledge (those answering "do not know") about the effectiveness of injectable hormonal contraception.

Table 7.3.2 shows that two thirds of women (63.8\%) said that injectables were "very safe," "safe," or "somewhat safe." Similar to the pill, there were large differences in the proportion of women who thought injectables were safe based on prior experience with this method. For example, $82.6 \%$ of ever users said that the use of injectables is very safe, safe, or somewhat safe while only $55.6 \%$ of women who have never used injectables thought so. Similarly, $91.7 \%$ of current users thought the use of injectables is safe, compared to $61.9 \%$ of women not currently using the method.

| Table 7.1.1 <br> Awareness of Pill among All Women Aged 15-49 Years <br> and Use among Those Who Had Sexual Intercourse in the Past 12 Months by Selected Characteristics Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Awareness |  | Use of the Pill |  |  |
| Characteristic | \% | No. of Cases* | Current | At the Last Sexual Intercourse | No. of Cases* |
| Total | 53.8 | 8,259 | 13.0 | 15.3 | 7,442 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 43.3 | 1,198 | 10.9 | 13.3 | 1,040 |
| Other urban | 58.5 | 2,283 | 13.8 | 15.4 | 2,100 |
| Rural | 54.8 | 4,778 | 13.4 | 16.0 | 4,302 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $1$ | 49.6 | 2,340 | 12.1 | 13.9 | 2,079 |
| 2 | 55.9 | 1,761 | 14.7 | 17.8 | 1,596 |
| 3 | 53.2 | 2,313 | 11.8 | 14.4 | 2,067 |
| 4 | 62.2 | 1,845 | 15.4 | 17.4 | 1,700 |
| Parish |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston | 53.5 | 644 | 11.7 | 13.8 | 568 |
| St. Andrew | 41.0 | 636 | 10.1 | 12.2 | 541 |
| St. Thomas | 54.2 | 504 | 11.6 | 13.2 | 466 |
| Portland | 54.7 | 516 | 10.0 | 12.3 | 474 |
| St. Mary | 55.5 | 542 | 15.5 | 18.9 | 485 |
| St. Ann | 56.8 | 703 | 16.0 | 19.4 | 637 |
| Trelawny | 49.1 | 516 | 9.4 | 10.7 | 474 |
| St. James | 56.2 | 635 | 9.1 | 10.6 | 579 |
| Hanover | 41.5 | 541 | 12.1 | 16.7 | 457 |
| Westmoreland | 57.3 | 621 | 16.0 | 20.0 | 557 |
| St. Elizabeth | 60.7 | 528 | 18.7 | 21.4 | 483 |
| Manchester | 65.1 | 668 | 13.5 | 16.6 | 608 |
| Clarendon | 60.7 | 649 | 14.6 | 15.3 | 609 |
| St. Catherine | 56.6 | 556 | 14.0 | 15.6 | 504 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 12.7 | 1,229 | 5.2 | 11.6 | 557 |
| 20-24 | 49.2 | 1,114 | 18.1 | 20.3 | 1,057 |
| 25-29 | 64.0 | 1,350 | 19.5 | 21.0 | 1,323 |
| 30-34 | 67.7 | 1,219 | 17.3 | 18.0 | 1,203 |
| 35-39 | 68.8 | 1,221 | 14.1 | 13.8 | 1,211 |
| 40-44 | 67.5 | 1,084 | 8.4 | 8.8 | 1,070 |
| 45-49 | 64.0 | 1,042 | 5.2 | 5.5 | 1,021 |
| Current union status |  |  |  |  |  |
| Married | 71.0 | 1,441 | 14.2 | 14.4 | 1,441 |
| Common law union | 65.5 | 2,158 | 18.1 | 18.0 | 2,158 |
| Visiting relationship | 59.7 | 2,279 | 18.4 | 18.4 | 2,279 |
| No union relationship | 31.7 | 2,381 | 3.5 | 7.4 | 1,564 |
| Education level (in years) ${ }^{\dagger}$ |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-9 | 55.0 | 2,183 | 10.1 | 12.2 | 1,945 |
| 10-12 | 52.9 | 5,078 | 13.5 | 15.7 | 4,573 |
| 13 or more | 56.2 | 995 | 16.0 | 18.4 | 921 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 59.2 | 2,001 | 13.8 | 15.4 | 1,860 |
| Second | 58.2 | 1,716 | 12.4 | 13.7 | 1,579 |
| Middle | 51.8 | 1,668 | 12.1 | 14.5 | 1,501 |
| Fourth | 49.5 | 1,650 | 12.9 | 15.6 | 1,446 |
| Highest | 50.6 | 1,224 | 13.9 | 17.1 | 1,056 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $0$ | 0.0 | 817 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0 |
| $1$ | 49.8 | 1,425 | 16.8 | 16.8 | 1,425 |
| 2-3 | 60.6 | 3,215 | 14.8 | 15.6 | 3,215 |
| 4 or more | 70.3 | 2,353 | 14.5 | 14.4 | 2,353 |
| No response/refused | 66.8 | 449 | 11.4 | 11.4 | 449 |

* Women aged 15-49 years who had sexual intercouse in the past 12 months.
$\dagger$ Excludes 3 women with missing information.

| Table 7.1.2 <br> Brand of Pill Used by Women Aged 15-49 Years Who Were Currently Using the Pill by Area of Residence Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Ar | of Residence |  |
| Brand of Pill Used | Total | Kingston <br> Metropolitan Area | Other Urban | Rural |
| Perle(low dose) | 36.2 | 41.2 | 30.9 | 38.8 |
| Minigynon | 32.8 | 32.8 | 31.3 | 34.1 |
| Lo-Femenal | 8.1 | 1.1 | 10.7 | 8.5 |
| Tri-Regol | 6.0 | 10.1 | 6.2 | 4.3 |
| Yasmin | 4.8 | 1.9 | 6.9 | 4.0 |
| Nordette | 2.8 | 1.7 | 3.5 | 2.6 |
| Ovral | 2.7 | 3.4 | 3.5 | 1.7 |
| Gynera | 0.2 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.2 |
| Other | 2.4 | 4.7 | 3.2 | 0.8 |
| Does not know/not sure | 4.0 | 2.8 | 3.5 | 5.0 |
| Total | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| No. of Cases | 1,075 | 124 | 305 | 646 |


| Table 7.1.3 <br> Brand of Pill Used by Women Aged 15-49 Years Who Were Currently Using the Pill by Selected Characteristics <br> Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Characteristic | Brand of Pill |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Total | No. of Cases |
|  | $\begin{array}{\|c} \hline \text { Perle (Low } \\ \text { Dose) } \\ \hline \end{array}$ | Minigynon | Lo-Femenal | Tri-Regol | Yasmin | Nordette | Ovral | Gynera | Other | Do Not <br> Know/ Not <br> Sure |  |  |
| Total | 36.2 | 32.8 | 8.1 | 6.0 | 4.8 | 2.8 | 2.7 | 0.2 | 2.4 | 4.0 | 100.0 | 1,075 |
| Health region |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 34.5 | 32.4 | 5.4 | 10.0 | 4.0 | 2.5 | 4.2 | 0.1 | 3.6 | 3.3 | 100.0 | 270 |
| 2 | 36.2 | 28.9 | 8.1 | 5.1 | 3.6 | 3.3 | 2.8 | 0.2 | 1.0 | 10.8 | 100.0 | 248 |
| 3 | 37.8 | 34.8 | 6.9 | 2.4 | 7.4 | 3.4 | 1.5 | 0.9 | 1.2 | 3.7 | 100.0 | 277 |
| 4 | 37.7 | 34.3 | 13.7 | 2.5 | 5.0 | 2.4 | 0.9 | 0.0 | 1.9 | 1.6 | 100.0 | 280 |
| Age group |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 51.8 | 25.4 | 9.8 | 4.3 | 4.5 | 0.0 | 1.6 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 2.6 | 100.0 | 61 |
| 20-24 | 36.0 | 38.7 | 5.6 | 4.4 | 4.6 | 1.5 | 3.3 | 0.2 | 1.8 | 3.9 | 100.0 | 207 |
| 25-29 | 29.9 | 37.7 | 4.4 | 7.6 | 8.6 | 1.6 | 2.1 | 0.2 | 2.0 | 5.9 | 100.0 | 253 |
| 30-34 | 31.6 | 32.7 | 11.4 | 6.9 | 2.8 | 6.0 | 1.1 | 0.3 | 3.0 | 4.2 | 100.0 | 231 |
| 35-39 | 41.3 | 22.2 | 9.8 | 7.0 | 2.7 | 4.3 | 5.7 | 0.6 | 3.0 | 3.4 | 100.0 | 181 |
| 40-44 | 33.6 | 34.6 | 13.3 | 3.1 | 4.6 | 2.0 | 2.6 | 0.0 | 5.4 | 0.8 | 100.0 | 89 |
| 45-49 | 56.6 | 20.4 | 8.1 | 6.3 | 2.4 | 0.9 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.4 | 3.9 | 100.0 | 53 |
| Current union status |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Married | 32.4 | 31.2 | 11.4 | 5.9 | 7.4 | 3.4 | 3.2 | 0.8 | 2.2 | 2.0 | 100.0 | 208 |
| Common law union | 39.2 | 32.5 | 13.0 | 3.4 | 3.5 | 0.8 | 1.3 | 0.2 | 1.8 | 4.3 | 100.0 | 404 |
| Visiting relationship | 34.5 | 34.4 | 4.0 | 7.2 | 4.6 | 3.5 | 3.9 | 0.1 | 3.0 | 4.7 | 100.0 | 382 |
| No steady relationship | 40.4 | 29.1 | 5.2 | 9.6 | 5.9 | 5.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.5 | 3.2 | 100.0 | 81 |
| Education level (in years) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-9 | 50.5 | 26.4 | 14.1 | 2.0 | 0.2 | 1.0 | 3.3 | 0.0 | 1.2 | 1.3 | 100.0 | 215 |
| 10-12 | 37.0 | 34.7 | 7.4 | 5.5 | 3.9 | 2.8 | 2.8 | 0.2 | 0.8 | 5.0 | 100.0 | 705 |
| 13 or more | 17.8 | 32.3 | 4.6 | 12.6 | 13.4 | 4.7 | 1.3 | 0.7 | 9.8 | 3.0 | 100.0 | 155 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 41.5 | 34.3 | 13.0 | 3.0 | 0.8 | 0.6 | 2.2 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 4.3 | 100.0 | 258 |
| Second | 53.7 | 29.2 | 6.2 | 2.2 | 0.0 | 3.2 | 0.6 | 0.0 | 1.3 | 3.7 | 100.0 | 213 |
| Middle | 33.2 | 33.8 | 9.0 | 9.6 | 4.5 | 2.8 | 0.8 | 0.2 | 1.9 | 4.1 | 100.0 | 218 |
| Fourth | 27.3 | 32.5 | 6.0 | 6.0 | 9.7 | 4.2 | 6.7 | 0.0 | 4.1 | 3.6 | 100.0 | 213 |
| Highest | 27.2 | 33.7 | 5.8 | 9.3 | 8.5 | 3.2 | 2.6 | 0.8 | 4.6 | 4.3 | 100.0 | 173 |
| No. of lifetime sexual partners |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 26.5 | 40.2 | 7.7 | 10.4 | 6.8 | 1.5 | 3.4 | 0.4 | 0.8 | 2.3 | 100.0 | 217 |
| 2-3 | 39.5 | 28.4 | 9.2 | 3.5 | 5.8 | 2.6 | 2.9 | 0.1 | 3.0 | 4.9 | 100.0 | 476 |
| 4 or more | 41.1 | 33.3 | 6.0 | 6.1 | 1.7 | 4.4 | 1.5 | 0.3 | 2.1 | 3.4 | 100.0 | 323 |
| No response/refused | 20.7 | 33.5 | 14.0 | 6.5 | 5.8 | 0.0 | 4.1 | 0.0 | 7.2 | 8.2 | 100.0 | 59 |


| Table 7.1.4 <br> Perceptions about the Pill's Effectiveness to Prevent Pregnancy among Women Aged 15-49 Years by Selected Characteristics <br> Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Perception about the Pill's Effectiveness to Prevent Pregnancy |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Characteristic | Very Effective | Effective | Somewhat Effective | Not Effective | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Does Not } \\ & \text { Know } \end{aligned}$ | Total | No. of Cases |
| Total | 26.8 | 35.4 | 18.0 | 5.0 | 14.8 | 100.0 | 8,259 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 20.3 | 32.1 | 23.8 | 4.2 | 19.6 | 100.0 | 1,198 |
| Other urban | 29.9 | 36.8 | 16.0 | 5.0 | 12.4 | 100.0 | 2,283 |
| Rural | 27.4 | 35.8 | 16.9 | 5.3 | 14.6 | 100.0 | 4,778 |
| Health region |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 23.0 | 33.7 | 19.8 | 5.7 | 17.9 | 100.0 | 2,340 |
| 2 | 32.4 | 33.2 | 18.1 | 6.2 | 10.2 | 100.0 | 1,761 |
| 3 | 21.0 | 40.6 | 19.7 | 4.0 | 14.7 | 100.0 | 2,313 |
| 4 | 37.6 | 35.5 | 12.3 | 3.6 | 11.0 | 100.0 | 1,845 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston | 19.5 | 30.3 | 22.1 | 7.3 | 20.8 | 100.0 | 644 |
| St. Andrew | 19.1 | 31.7 | 23.7 | 4.5 | 21.0 | 100.0 | 636 |
| St. Thomas | 12.5 | 42.2 | 25.4 | 4.9 | 15.0 | 100.0 | 504 |
| Portland | 22.8 | 41.4 | 22.3 | 3.1 | 10.3 | 100.0 | 516 |
| St. Mary | 35.9 | 32.2 | 18.8 | 3.0 | 10.1 | 100.0 | 542 |
| St. Ann | 33.7 | 30.5 | 15.7 | 9.9 | 10.1 | 100.0 | 703 |
| Trelawny | 31.8 | 32.5 | 21.0 | 3.2 | 11.5 | 100.0 | 516 |
| St. James | 12.3 | 37.2 | 23.7 | 6.1 | 20.7 | 100.0 | 635 |
| Hanover | 24.7 | 48.7 | 8.6 | 1.7 | 16.3 | 100.0 | 541 |
| Westmoreland | 23.8 | 44.8 | 19.7 | 3.0 | 8.7 | 100.0 | 621 |
| St. Elizabeth | 47.2 | 31.1 | 7.0 | 2.0 | 12.8 | 100.0 | 528 |
| Manchester | 37.1 | 36.2 | 13.2 | 4.2 | 9.2 | 100.0 | 668 |
| Clarendon | 31.1 | 38.1 | 15.4 | 4.1 | 11.3 | 100.0 | 649 |
| St. Catherine | 28.7 | 35.0 | 14.8 | 6.7 | 14.8 | 100.0 | 556 |
| Age group |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 18.6 | 27.7 | 17.3 | 4.0 | 32.3 | 100.0 | 1,229 |
| 20-24 | 28.5 | 34.2 | 18.0 | 5.2 | 14.1 | 100.0 | 1,114 |
| 25-29 | 30.8 | 34.5 | 17.7 | 6.5 | 10.5 | 100.0 | 1,350 |
| 30-34 | 30.1 | 39.5 | 16.2 | 4.5 | 9.7 | 100.0 | 1,219 |
| 35-39 | 26.9 | 37.7 | 21.7 | 5.5 | 8.2 | 100.0 | 1,221 |
| 40-44 | 28.2 | 40.8 | 15.6 | 4.9 | 10.4 | 100.0 | 1,084 |
| 45-49 | 26.4 | 37.4 | 20.1 | 3.7 | 12.3 | 100.0 | 1,042 |
| Education level (in years)* |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-9 | 23.3 | 33.2 | 18.0 | 7.7 | 17.7 | 100.0 | 2,183 |
| 10-12 | 26.6 | 36.2 | 18.5 | 4.5 | 14.2 | 100.0 | 5,078 |
| 13 or more | 33.6 | 35.3 | 15.6 | 2.8 | 12.6 | 100.0 | 995 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 27.2 | 36.2 | 16.8 | 7.1 | 12.8 | 100.0 | 2,001 |
| Second | 23.5 | 36.5 | 18.9 | 5.5 | 15.6 | 100.0 | 1,716 |
| Middle | 26.1 | 34.9 | 17.9 | 4.2 | 16.9 | 100.0 | 1,668 |
| Fourth | 28.1 | 35.4 | 16.9 | 5.2 | 14.4 | 100.0 | 1,650 |
| Highest | 29.0 | 34.1 | 19.6 | 2.8 | 14.6 | 100.0 | 1,224 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0 | 16.1 | 22.8 | 14.8 | 3.5 | 42.9 | 100.0 | 817 |
| 1 | 28.9 | 36.6 | 19.0 | 3.5 | 12.0 | 100.0 | 1,425 |
| 2-3 | 27.8 | 38.4 | 17.7 | 4.7 | 11.5 | 100.0 | 3,215 |
| 4 or more | 28.9 | 36.7 | 19.0 | 7.3 | 8.1 | 100.0 | 2,353 |
| No response/refused | 29.1 | 33.7 | 18.7 | 3.7 | 14.8 | 100.0 | 449 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| No | 16.3 | 29.9 | 20.4 | 4.8 | 28.6 | 100.0 | 3,512 |
| Yes | 35.9 | 40.2 | 15.9 | 5.1 | 2.9 | 100.0 | 4,747 |
| Currently using the pill |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| No | 22.6 | 35.5 | 19.4 | 5.6 | 16.9 | 100.0 | 7,184 |
| Yes | 55.1 | 34.9 | 8.8 | 0.7 | 0.5 | 100.0 | 1,075 |

[^43]| Table 7.1.5 <br> Opinions on the Level of Health Risk Associated with Using the Pill among Women Aged 15-49 Years by Selected Characteristics <br> Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Characteristic | Level of Health Risk Associated with Using the Pill |  |  |  |  | Total | No. of Cases |
|  | Very Safe | Safe | $\begin{gathered} \text { Somewhat } \\ \text { Safe } \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | Not Safe | Does Not Know |  |  |
| Total | 11.6 | 31.5 | 28.2 | 15.8 | 12.9 | 100.0 | 8,259 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 12.5 | 29.1 | 29.5 | 10.5 | 18.4 | 100.0 | 1,198 |
| Other urban | 11.9 | 35.3 | 27.9 | 14.9 | 10.1 | 100.0 | 2,283 |
| Rural | 10.9 | 29.6 | 27.8 | 19.2 | 12.6 | 100.0 | 4,778 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 11.8 | 33.1 | 27.1 | 11.9 | 16.1 | 100.0 | 2,340 |
| 2 | 15.6 | 30.0 | 25.3 | 22.0 | 7.1 | 100.0 | 1,761 |
| 3 | 11.1 | 36.1 | 26.8 | 14.0 | 12.0 | 100.0 | 2,313 |
| 4 | 9.0 | 24.6 | 33.6 | 22.4 | 10.3 | 100.0 | 1,845 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 10.4 | 22.5 | 24.8 | 12.3 | 30.0 | 100.0 | 1,229 |
| 20-24 | 13.1 | 30.1 | 30.0 | 15.1 | 11.7 | 100.0 | 1,114 |
| 25-29 | 11.3 | 31.3 | 32.7 | 16.6 | 8.0 | 100.0 | 1,350 |
| 30-34 | 10.8 | 36.9 | 27.8 | 17.5 | 7.1 | 100.0 | 1,219 |
| 35-39 | 11.1 | 36.5 | 27.5 | 17.1 | 7.8 | 100.0 | 1,221 |
| 40-44 | 12.9 | 33.2 | 27.3 | 16.7 | 10.0 | 100.0 | 1,084 |
| 45-49 | 11.8 | 34.1 | 26.6 | 17.3 | 10.1 | 100.0 | 1,042 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Married | 13.0 | 33.2 | 30.2 | 16.4 | 7.2 | 100.0 | 1,441 |
| Common law union | 13.1 | 35.5 | 26.6 | 16.8 | 8.0 | 100.0 | 2,158 |
| Visiting relationship | 13.4 | 32.0 | 29.4 | 16.9 | 8.3 | 100.0 | 2,279 |
| No union relationship | 8.0 | 27.4 | 27.1 | 13.9 | 23.6 | 100.0 | 2,381 |
| Education level (in years)* |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-9 | 8.9 | 27.8 | 25.7 | 21.0 | 16.6 | 100.0 | 2,183 |
| 10-12 | 12.6 | 32.4 | 28.4 | 14.5 | 12.1 | 100.0 | 5,078 |
| 13 or more | 11.3 | 33.8 | 31.1 | 13.6 | 10.1 | 100.0 | 995 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 10.3 | 29.8 | 27.9 | 21.0 | 11.1 | 100.0 | 2,001 |
| Second | 11.0 | 30.2 | 29.3 | 16.6 | 12.9 | 100.0 | 1,716 |
| Middle | 9.7 | 31.5 | 26.9 | 15.6 | 16.3 | 100.0 | 1,668 |
| Fourth | 13.4 | 31.6 | 26.7 | 16.2 | 12.1 | 100.0 | 1,650 |
| Highest | 13.3 | 34.6 | 30.3 | 9.6 | 12.2 | 100.0 | 1,224 |
| No. of lifetime sexual partners |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0 | 7.0 | 19.1 | 22.9 | 10.0 | 41.0 | 100.0 | 817 |
| 1 | 13.6 | 33.3 | 28.3 | 14.3 | 10.5 | 100.0 | 1,425 |
| 2-3 | 12.8 | 33.4 | 29.6 | 15.8 | 8.5 | 100.0 | 3,215 |
| 4 or more | 10.5 | 33.8 | 28.9 | 19.6 | 7.2 | 100.0 | 2,353 |
| No response/refused | 12.3 | 31.2 | 26.2 | 16.6 | 13.7 | 100.0 | 449 |
| Ever use of the pill |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| No | 7.1 | 25.3 | 27.2 | 15.6 | 24.8 | 100.0 | 3,512 |
| Yes | 15.4 | 36.9 | 29.0 | 16.0 | 2.7 | 100.0 | 4,747 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| No | 8.9 | 30.2 | 29.1 | 17.1 | 14.7 | 100.0 | 7,184 |
| Yes | 29.1 | 40.4 | 22.3 | 7.3 | 1.0 | 100.0 | 1,075 |

* Excludes 3 women with missing information.

Table 7.2
Awareness and Ever Use of Hormonal Emergency Contraception among Women Aged 15-49 Years by Selected Characteristics
Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008

| Characteristic | Awareness of Hormonal Emergency Contraception | Ever Use of Hormonal Emergency Contraception | No. of Cases |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Total | 83.6 | 10.9 | 8,259 |
| Residence |  |  |  |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 88.2 | 9.1 | 1,198 |
| Other urban | 87.0 | 14.2 | 2,283 |
| Rural | 78.5 | 9.0 | 4,778 |
| Health region |  |  |  |
| 1 | 87.0 | 10.5 | 2,340 |
| 2 | 81.6 | 10.8 | 1,761 |
| 3 | 81.4 | 9.0 | 2,313 |
| 4 | 79.4 | 13.6 | 1,845 |
| Age group |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 80.1 | 4.4 | 1,229 |
| 20-24 | 92.5 | 19.2 | 1,114 |
| 25-29 | 91.1 | 19.3 | 1,350 |
| 30-34 | 87.5 | 12.5 | 1,219 |
| 35-39 | 80.9 | 8.5 | 1,221 |
| 40-44 | 74.3 | 6.0 | 1,084 |
| 45-49 | 70.3 | 1.6 | 1,042 |
| Current union status |  |  |  |
| Married | 82.4 | 9.2 | 1,441 |
| Common law union | 80.1 | 11.3 | 2,158 |
| Visiting relationship | 88.9 | 16.1 | 2,279 |
| No steady relationship | 81.4 | 6.2 | 2,381 |
| No. of live births |  |  |  |
| 0 | 85.8 | 10.8 | 2,208 |
| 1 | 89.9 | 14.9 | 1,707 |
| 2 | 87.5 | 12.2 | 1,632 |
| 3 | 81.8 | 9.3 | 1,110 |
| 4 or more | 67.4 | 5.4 | 1,602 |
| Education level (in years)* |  |  |  |
| 0-9 | 67.3 | 4.1 | 2,183 |
| 10-12 | 86.6 | 11.8 | 5,078 |
| 13 or more | 96.9 | 18.0 | 995 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 71.4 | 6.5 | 2,001 |
| Second | 79.3 | 10.0 | 1,716 |
| Middle | 85.5 | 10.7 | 1,668 |
| Fourth | 88.1 | 14.6 | 1,650 |
| Highest | 93.7 | 12.6 | 1,224 |
| No. of lifetime sexual partners |  |  |  |
| 0 | 79.1 | 0.0 | 817 |
| 1 | 87.0 | 8.9 | 1,425 |
| 2-3 | 83.6 | 10.0 | 3,215 |
| 4 or more | 83.2 | 18.7 | 2,353 |
| No response/refused | 84.0 | 11.5 | 449 |

* Excludes 3 women with missing information.

| Table 7.3.1 <br> Perceptions about the Effectiveness of the Injectables to Prevent Pregnancy among Women Aged 15-49 Years by Selected Characteristics Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Characteristic | Perception about the Effectiveness of the Injectables to Prevent Pregnancy |  |  |  |  | Total | No. of Cases |
|  | Very Effective | Effective | Somewhat Effective | Not Effective | Does Not Know |  |  |
| Total | 24.5 | 33.9 | 13.1 | 5.3 | 23.2 | 100.0 | 8,259 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 20.2 | 29.9 | 13.6 | 7.4 | 28.8 | 100.0 | 1,198 |
| Other urban | 26.9 | 37.6 | 12.0 | 4.1 | 19.4 | 100.0 | 2,283 |
| Rural | 24.8 | 31.7 | 14.5 | 5.2 | 23.8 | 100.0 | 4,778 |
| Health region |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 22.8 | 33.2 | 12.9 | 6.4 | 24.6 | 100.0 | 2,340 |
| 2 | 23.9 | 43.7 | 14.9 | 2.3 | 15.1 | 100.0 | 1,761 |
| 3 | 16.6 | 40.1 | 19.4 | 3.0 | 21.0 | 100.0 | 2,313 |
| 4 | 41.3 | 27.1 | 7.6 | 2.8 | 21.2 | 100.0 | 1,845 |
| Age group |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 18.2 | 23.9 | 12.6 | 6.2 | 39.1 | 100.0 | 1,229 |
| 20-24 | 27.4 | 30.9 | 18.8 | 3.0 | 19.8 | 100.0 | 1,114 |
| 25-29 | 25.1 | 38.3 | 9.6 | 4.8 | 22.2 | 100.0 | 1,350 |
| 30-34 | 25.9 | 43.0 | 8.2 | 3.0 | 19.9 | 100.0 | 1,219 |
| 35-39 | 28.8 | 36.3 | 17.3 | 3.2 | 14.4 | 100.0 | 1,221 |
| 40-44 | 22.5 | 37.6 | 10.1 | 14.5 | 15.4 | 100.0 | 1,084 |
| 45-49 | 26.8 | 33.7 | 13.9 | 3.3 | 22.3 | 100.0 | 1,042 |
| Current union status |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Married | 23.5 | 31.8 | 12.2 | 14.0 | 18.5 | 100.0 | 1,441 |
| Common law union | 29.2 | 38.6 | 13.8 | 3.0 | 15.3 | 100.0 | 2,158 |
| Visiting relationship | 30.1 | 32.4 | 14.8 | 5.1 | 17.6 | 100.0 | 2,279 |
| No union relationship | 17.2 | 33.7 | 11.5 | 3.7 | 33.9 | 100.0 | 2,381 |
| No. of live births |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0 | 20.1 | 27.4 | 13.3 | 5.0 | 34.3 | 100.0 | 2,208 |
| 1 | 28.1 | 31.3 | 16.7 | 4.0 | 20.0 | 100.0 | 1,707 |
| 2 | 25.1 | 40.0 | 8.7 | 10.0 | 16.2 | 100.0 | 1,632 |
| 3 | 28.4 | 42.8 | 8.8 | 2.8 | 17.2 | 100.0 | 1,110 |
| 4 or more | 27.2 | 43.0 | 15.8 | 4.7 | 9.3 | 100.0 | 1,602 |
| Education level (in years)* |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-9 | 24.0 | 30.2 | 14.9 | 8.0 | 22.9 | 100.0 | 2,183 |
| 10-12 | 24.9 | 35.7 | 13.6 | 3.0 | 22.7 | 100.0 | 5,078 |
| 13 or more | 23.4 | 30.7 | 9.2 | 11.6 | 25.1 | 100.0 | 995 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 25.0 | 43.3 | 11.1 | 4.6 | 16.1 | 100.0 | 2,001 |
| Second | 21.4 | 32.8 | 16.1 | 5.3 | 24.5 | 100.0 | 1,716 |
| Middle | 29.3 | 35.7 | 10.2 | 1.3 | 23.4 | 100.0 | 1,668 |
| Fourth | 21.7 | 29.8 | 13.2 | 7.5 | 27.8 | 100.0 | 1,650 |
| Highest | 25.0 | 30.2 | 14.8 | 6.9 | 23.1 | 100.0 | 1,224 |
| No. of lifetime sexual partners |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0 | 17.8 | 23.3 | 10.4 | 4.3 | 44.2 | 100.0 | 817 |
| 1 | 19.3 | 30.6 | 16.8 | 11.0 | 22.3 | 100.0 | 1,425 |
| 2-3 | 29.2 | 38.1 | 9.8 | 3.5 | 19.4 | 100.0 | 3,215 |
| 4 or more | 25.1 | 38.9 | 16.5 | 4.0 | 15.5 | 100.0 | 2,353 |
| No response/refused | 29.6 | 21.7 | 14.4 | 5.2 | 29.1 | 100.0 | 449 |
| Ever use of injectables |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| No | 18.7 | 30.8 | 12.0 | 5.9 | 32.6 | 100.0 | 5,134 |
| Yes | 37.8 | 41.1 | 15.7 | 4.0 | 1.5 | 100.0 | 3,125 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| No | 21.4 | 34.1 | 13.3 | 5.7 | 25.4 | 100.0 | 7,353 |
| Yes | 55.3 | 31.8 | 11.7 | 0.9 | 0.2 | 100.0 | 906 |

[^44]| Table 7.3.2 <br> Opinions on the Level of Health Risk Associated with Using the Injectables among Women Aged 15-49 Years by Selected Characteristics <br> Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Characteristic | Level of Health Risk Associated with Using the Injectables |  |  |  |  | Total | No. of Cases |
|  | Very Safe | Safe | Somewhat Safe | Not Safe | $\begin{gathered} \text { Does Not } \\ \text { Know } \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ |  |  |
| Total | 10.4 | 32.2 | 21.2 | 15.2 | 21.0 | 100.0 | 8,259 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 11.0 | 27.8 | 22.1 | 11.4 | 27.7 | 100.0 | 1,198 |
| Other urban | 10.2 | 36.5 | 20.6 | 15.1 | 17.5 | 100.0 | 2,283 |
| Rural | 10.2 | 29.1 | 21.4 | 19.3 | 19.9 | 100.0 | 4,778 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 11.7 | 33.8 | 20.2 | 10.8 | 23.6 | 100.0 | 2,340 |
| 2 | 12.1 | 41.4 | 17.7 | 21.1 | 7.8 | 100.0 | 1,761 |
| 3 | 6.6 | 33.8 | 20.7 | 22.6 | 16.3 | 100.0 | 2,313 |
| 4 | 6.4 | 17.2 | 28.9 | 29.7 | 17.8 | 100.0 | 1,845 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 13.8 | 21.5 | 15.9 | 11.7 | 37.0 | 100.0 | 1,229 |
| 20-24 | 8.6 | 28.9 | 29.9 | 10.8 | 21.9 | 100.0 | 1,114 |
| 25-29 | 7.3 | 35.0 | 25.5 | 13.3 | 18.8 | 100.0 | 1,350 |
| 30-34 | 9.8 | 39.1 | 17.4 | 19.4 | 14.4 | 100.0 | 1,219 |
| 35-39 | 10.5 | 38.1 | 23.0 | 16.7 | 11.7 | 100.0 | 1,221 |
| 40-44 | 9.2 | 37.4 | 13.8 | 25.5 | 14.1 | 100.0 | 1,084 |
| 45-49 | 17.7 | 33.4 | 18.3 | 14.7 | 15.9 | 100.0 | 1,042 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Married | 8.3 | 27.9 | 21.5 | 26.9 | 15.5 | 100.0 | 1,441 |
| Common law union | 12.4 | 35.2 | 24.8 | 12.9 | 14.7 | 100.0 | 2,158 |
| Visiting relationship | 13.4 | 27.3 | 27.3 | 15.9 | 16.0 | 100.0 | 2,279 |
| No steady relationship | 7.3 | 36.6 | 13.6 | 11.8 | 30.7 | 100.0 | 2,381 |
| No. of live births $\quad$ P\| |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0 | 8.8 | 26.0 | 20.9 | 13.0 | 31.2 | 100.0 | 2,208 |
| 1 | 12.8 | 30.2 | 25.1 | 12.3 | 19.7 | 100.0 | 1,707 |
| 2 | 7.4 | 42.2 | 17.7 | 18.1 | 14.6 | 100.0 | 1,632 |
| 3 | 13.1 | 34.4 | 25.1 | 15.3 | 12.2 | 100.0 | 1,110 |
| 4 or more | 12.8 | 39.4 | 16.3 | 23.6 | 7.9 | 100.0 | 1,602 |
| Education level (in years)* |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-9 | 8.1 | 26.8 | 17.1 | 23.3 | 24.7 | 100.0 | 2,183 |
| 10-12 | 12.0 | 34.6 | 21.6 | 12.0 | 19.9 | 100.0 | 5,078 |
| 13 or more | 6.7 | 28.1 | 24.1 | 19.8 | 21.3 | 100.0 | 995 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 7.4 | 40.9 | 16.4 | 17.7 | 17.7 | 100.0 | 2,001 |
| Second | 10.4 | 28.3 | 24.6 | 15.3 | 21.5 | 100.0 | 1,716 |
| Middle | 10.2 | 31.8 | 22.5 | 12.2 | 23.2 | 100.0 | 1,668 |
| Fourth | 13.1 | 28.0 | 18.4 | 17.6 | 23.0 | 100.0 | 1,650 |
| Highest | 10.5 | 32.3 | 24.1 | 13.5 | 19.6 | 100.0 | 1,224 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0 | 10.3 | 20.5 | 12.0 | 11.7 | 45.5 | 100.0 | 817 |
| 1 | 10.0 | 34.0 | 19.3 | 16.6 | 20.1 | 100.0 | 1,425 |
| 2-3 | 10.7 | 36.4 | 22.8 | 15.6 | 14.5 | 100.0 | 3,215 |
| 4 or more | 10.2 | 32.4 | 26.2 | 15.3 | 15.9 | 100.0 | 2,353 |
| No response/refused | 11.9 | 27.7 | 19.9 | 18.4 | 22.2 | 100.0 | 449 |
| Ever use injectables |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| No | 7.4 | 27.3 | 20.9 | 15.2 | 29.2 | 100.0 | 5,134 |
| Yes | 17.3 | 43.3 | 22.0 | 15.3 | 2.1 | 100.0 | 3,125 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| No | 8.1 | 31.4 | 21.6 | 16.0 | 22.9 | 100.0 | 7,353 |
| Yes | 34.3 | 40.0 | 17.4 | 7.2 | 1.0 | 100.0 | 906 |

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## Chapter 8

## Condom Use

The condom continues to be the most well known and most used contraceptive method in Jamaica. Chapter 8 focuses on various aspects of condoms, including its use, negotiations between partners about use and their consequences, and perception of its effectiveness and safety among women aged 15-49 years and men aged 15-24 years. Information on condom use can also be found in other chapters, particularly Chapters 12,13 , and 14 which address young adults, sexually transmitted infections (STIs), and HIV/AIDS, respectively.

### 8.1 Condom Use

Table 8.1.1A shows that virtually all ( $99.9 \%$ ) women aged $15-49$ years had heard of condoms, $76.6 \%$ had ever used a condom, and $19.5 \%$ reported currently using condoms. Current users were most concentrated among those who have a boyfriend with whom they have sex (46.5\%) and those in a visiting partnership (32.2\%). Of women who had sexual intercourse in the last 12 months the preceding the survey $42.4 \%$ reported using a condom the last time. Women who have a boyfriend with sexual relations had the highest use at last intercourse of all partnership status (74.9\%).

Among young men, 99.9\% had ever heard of condoms, $72.6 \%$ reported ever having used condoms and $42.5 \%$ reported currently using condoms (Table 8.1.1B). Among men who had sexual intercourse in the last 12 months, $79.9 \%$ reported having used a condom the last time. For both age groups, 15-19 and 20-24 years, men had higher prevalence of ever use, current use, and use at last intercourse than women in the same age groups.

Among sexually active women, $41.7 \%$ said that they use a condom every time, followed by $27.7 \%$ who reported using condoms "almost every time" and $28.4 \%$ who reported using them "sometimes," as shown in Table 8.1.2A. The most consistent users were those who were in a visiting relationship -among whom 59.2\% said they use a condom "every time" -and those who have never been in a union (73.8\%). Young men in the youngest age group had higher percentages of frequent condom users than woman in the same age group ( $65.7 \%$ vs. $53.2 \%$ among 15-19 year olds) (Table 8.1.2B). Alternatively, in the 20-24 year age group, a higher portion of women than men reported using condoms every time ( $41.7 \%$ vs. $39.3 \%$ ). Men who
had never been in a union reported the most consistent use of condoms, with $61.8 \%$ of them using condoms every time.

Among 515 women who had sex with a non-steady partner, $52.1 \%$ reported that they use condoms every time and $11.7 \%$ almost every time, compared to $21.3 \%$ who said that they never use a condom (Table 8.1.3A). Table 8.1.3B shows that among 1,394 young men who had sex with a non-steady partner, $73.3 \%$ used a condom every time, $18.2 \%$ used one almost every time, and almost no men stated that they never used a condom ( $0.5 \%$ ). There was almost no difference between the 15-19 and 20-24 year age groups.

Table 8.1.4A shows that almost three-fourths of sexually experienced women (71.9\%) reported having ever asked a partner to use condoms. The most common negative reaction experienced by these women was partner's refusal to use condom (20.6\%), followed by being forced to have sex without condom (7.5\%) and partner's refusal to have sex (6.6\%). Only $2.8 \%$ of sexually experienced women who have asked a partner to use condoms reported that the partner threatened to end the relationship and $0.9 \%$ reported that their partner threatened to hurt them. A pattern emerges in relationship to women's education. The proportion of women asking their partners to use condoms increased with the increase in number of years of schooling. Negative reactions from partners were higher among women with lower levels of education.

Table 8.1.4B shows that 78.0\% of young men suggested to their partner that they would use a condom. More 20-24-year-old men had suggested condom use to a partner than adolescent men ( $81.7 \%$ vs. $74.0 \%$ ). The same table presents the most common experiences reported by the young men who suggested the use of condom with a female e partner. Among these, $15.5 \%$ said that "against [their] better judgment, [they] had sex without a condom;" $8.5 \%$ said that their partners refused to let them wear a condom; and $6.3 \%$ said that their partners refused to have sex with them.

Young men were further asked if their partners have ever asked them to wear a condom; 69.9\% responded affirmatively (Table 8.1.5). Among men who reported this experience, $16.3 \%$ said they forced their partners to have sex with them without using a condom and $3.5 \%$ indicated that they refused to have sex as the result of such request. Other responses included "got angry" (2.1\%) and "threatened never to go with [the partner] again" (1.1\%). As education level increased, higher proportions of men responded by forcing partners to have sex without a condom ( $23.0 \%$ of men with 13 or more years of education versus $14.7 \%$ of men with 9 or fewer years of education).

### 8.2 Reasons for Use

Women aged 15-49 years and men aged 15-24 years who were sexually active and had used a condom during the past 12 months were asked their reason for using a condom. The results are shown in Tables 8.2A and 8.2B. Among women, $8.8 \%$ said it was to prevent pregnancy, $19.0 \%$ said it was to prevent STIs, including HIV, and $71.5 \%$ said it was to prevent both. Not surprisingly, married and common law women had the highest percentage of respondents who used a condom solely to prevent pregnancy ( $14.6 \%$ versus less than $8.0 \%$ for other partnership status); however, the percentage of women who used a condom solely to prevent STIs is substantial among those in a union ( $19.5 \%-20.2 \%$ among women in marital, common-law, or visiting unions). A higher proportion of young men than young women reported that the objective of their condom use was dual protection - to prevent risks from both pregnancy and STIs ( $89.2 \%$ males versus $80.4 \%$ females among $15-19$ year olds and $84.1 \%$ versus $77.8 \%$ of 2024 year olds). This high use of condoms for dual protection was fairly consistent among young men (over 80\%), regardless of respondent characteristics, with the exception of men currently in union ( $79.9 \%$ ) and specifically men who are married or in common law unions ( $75.7 \%$ ).

### 8.3 Opinions about Effectiveness and Safety of Condom Use

Finally, the survey also assessed perceptions of condom effectiveness and safety. Similar questions were asked for pills and injections, and those results can be found in Chapter 7. Table 8.3.1A shows that $29.5 \%$ of women aged $15-49$ years considered condoms to be very effective in preventing pregnancy, $36.4 \%$ considered them to be effective, and $4.9 \%$ said that condoms were not effective. Regardless of respondent characteristics, very few women felt condoms were not effective, although sizeable portions of women who had never been in union (30.1\%), had never had sex ( $35.3 \%$ ), and had never used condoms ( $26.7 \%$ ) said they did not know if they were effective or did not respond to the question. Young men tended to have more confidence in the effectiveness of condoms to prevent pregnancy, even when compared only to women in comparable age groups (Table 8.3.1B). More than three-fourths of young men stated that condoms were either "very effective" ( $38.2 \%$ ) or "effective" ( $37.9 \%$ ). Only $1.9 \%$ stated that they were not effective. Similar to women, although at considerably lower proportions, uncertainty about the effectiveness of condoms to prevent pregnancy was higher among young men who had never been in a union (8.1\%), never had sex (20.2\%), and never used condoms (19.9\%).

Table 8.3.2A shows that almost half of women (44.4\%) described condoms as very effective in preventing STIs and $32.9 \%$ described them as effective. As with pregnancy prevention, a small percentage ( $2.3 \%$ ) described condoms as not effective against sexually transmitted infections. Higher educational attainment seems to be associated with higher percentage of belief in condoms' effectiveness for preventing both pregnancy and STIs and that was true for both women and men. Overall, most young men felt that condoms were either very effective (47.7\%)
or effective (30.0\%) at preventing STIs (Table 8.3.2B). Uncertainty about whether or not condoms effectively prevent STIs was higher among those with less education (11.6\%), with no sexual partners in their lifetime (16.0\%) and those who had never used condoms (16.2\%). This somewhat reflects the higher uncertainty about the condom's effectiveness among adolescent young men ( $9.0 \%$ of 15-19 year olds) compared to their slightly older peers (3.0\% of 20-24 year olds).

The last two (2) tables in this chapter show perspectives of both women and men regarding the safety of, or risk of developing health problems associated with, condom use. Table 8.3.3A shows that $29.9 \%$ of women considered condom use to be very safe, and $39.9 \%$ considered it to be safe. Only $4.9 \%$ of women said that it was not safe. Again, women and men characterized by higher educational attainment seem somewhat more likely to say that condoms were safe. Women who had ever used condoms were significantly more likely to consider them very safe compared to women who had never used condoms ( $33.0 \%$ versus $19.6 \%$ ). Conversely, women who had never used condoms were far more likely to be unsure of their safety than other women ( $26.5 \%$ versus $1.5 \%$ ).

Among young men, $33.7 \%$ considered condoms very safe and $43.2 \%$ considered them safe (Table 8.3.3B). Similar to the women's perceptions, the young men's perceptions of condom's safety varied by men's experience of condom use. Over a third ( $37.6 \%$ ) of young men who had ever used condoms considered them to be very safe versus $23.4 \%$ of men who had never used them; almost a sixth ( $17.1 \%$ ) of young men who had never used condom were unsure if condom use is safe versus $1.5 \%$ of young men who had ever used condoms.

| Table 8.1.1A <br> Ever and Current Condom Use and Use of Condom at the Last Sexual Intercourse among Women Aged 15-49 Years by Selected Characteristics Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Characteristic | Ever Heard of Condom | Ever Used Condom | Currently Using Condom | No. of Cases | Used Condom at Last Sex in the Last 12 Months | No. of Cases |
| Total | 99.9 | 76.6 | 19.5 | 8,259 | 42.4 | 6,589 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 100.0 | 67.8 | 20.0 | 1,198 | 45.7 | 938 |
| Other urban | 100.0 | 81.1 | 20.6 | 2,283 | 40.9 | 1,829 |
| Rural | 99.9 | 77.0 | 18.5 | 4,778 | 42.2 | 3,822 |
| Health region |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 99.9 | 72.4 | 19.3 | 2,340 | 41.4 | 1,855 |
| 2 | 100.0 | 75.4 | 19.1 | 1,761 | 47.3 | 1,400 |
| 3 | 99.9 | 79.3 | 21.9 | 2,313 | 41.9 | 1,822 |
| 4 | 100.0 | 84.0 | 18.2 | 1,845 | 42.3 | 1,512 |
| Parish |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston | 100.0 | 71.6 | 17.9 | 644 | 41.3 | 510 |
| St. Andrew | 99.9 | 64.7 | 20.4 | 636 | 45.7 | 491 |
| St. Thomas | 99.8 | 81.7 | 17.6 | 504 | 40.8 | 428 |
| Portland | 99.9 | 74.3 | 19.0 | 516 | 43.7 | 412 |
| St. Mary | 100.0 | 67.1 | 14.7 | 542 | 42.9 | 408 |
| St. Ann | 100.0 | 82.4 | 22.4 | 703 | 51.7 | 580 |
| Trelawny | 99.8 | 79.0 | 23.7 | 516 | 43.6 | 413 |
| St. James | 99.9 | 82.2 | 26.2 | 635 | 42.4 | 519 |
| Hanover | 100.0 | 72.3 | 23.9 | 541 | 45.1 | 398 |
| Westmoreland | 100.0 | 79.4 | 15.0 | 621 | 39.0 | 492 |
| St. Elizabeth | 99.9 | 81.9 | 17.1 | 528 | 34.4 | 443 |
| Manchester | 100.0 | 83.1 | 17.7 | 668 | 48.0 | 535 |
| Clarendon | 100.0 | 86.4 | 19.5 | 649 | 43.1 | 534 |
| St. Catherine | 100.0 | 78.6 | 18.7 | 556 | 37.4 | 426 |
| Age group |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 100.0 | 39.8 | 15.7 | 1,229 | 66.2 | 501 |
| 20-24 | 100.0 | 87.0 | 29.7 | 1,114 | 54.6 | 1,017 |
| 25-29 | 100.0 | 88.8 | 20.3 | 1,350 | 40.9 | 1,233 |
| 30-34 | 99.9 | 89.2 | 21.5 | 1,219 | 41.6 | 1,099 |
| 35-39 | 100.0 | 83.4 | 16.9 | 1,221 | 33.9 | 1,047 |
| 40-44 | 99.9 | 81.5 | 16.5 | 1,084 | 31.9 | 895 |
| 45-49 | 99.6 | 73.5 | 12.0 | 1,042 | 24.4 | 797 |
| Current relationship status |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Married | 99.9 | 81.5 | 17.4 | 1,441 | 23.8 | 1,418 |
| Common law union | 99.9 | 87.5 | 21.4 | 2,158 | 32.8 | 2,134 |
| Visiting relationship | 100.0 | 92.4 | 32.2 | 2,279 | 52.1 | 2,219 |
| Boyfriend with sex | 100.0 | 94.7 | 46.5 | 281 | 74.9 | 263 |
| Boyfriend without sex | 100.0 | 20.9 | 0.0 | 197 | * | 24 |
| No steady relationship | 100.0 | 48.4 | 1.8 | 1,903 | 53.7 | 531 |
| Marital status |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Currently in union | 99.9 | 88.4 | 25.5 | 5,878 | 39.6 | 5,771 |
| Previously in union | 100.0 | 85.8 | 8.0 | 1,344 | 56.6 | 671 |
| Never in union | 100.0 | 15.0 | 5.4 | 1,037 | 85.0 | 147 |
| No. of children born alive |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0 | 100.0 | 56.3 | 21.5 | 2,208 | 58.6 | 1,225 |
| 1 | 100.0 | 90.3 | 22.5 | 1,707 | 43.6 | 1,505 |
| 2 | 100.0 | 86.2 | 17.7 | 1,632 | 36.3 | 1,465 |
| 3 | 99.9 | 84.5 | 17.6 | 1,110 | 35.0 | 974 |
| 4 or more | 99.8 | 83.9 | 14.8 | 1,602 | 32.3 | 1,420 |
| Education level (in years) ${ }^{\dagger}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-9 | 99.8 | 71.3 | 13.3 | 2,183 | 32.7 | 1,716 |
| 10-12 | 100.0 | 77.6 | 21.0 | 5,078 | 44.9 | 4,068 |
| 13 or more | 100.0 | 81.0 | 23.1 | 995 | 46.4 | 802 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 100.0 | 80.8 | 16.4 | 2,001 | 37.1 | 1,667 |
| Second | 100.0 | 78.8 | 19.7 | 1,716 | 43.3 | 1,384 |
| Middle | 99.9 | 76.9 | 22.1 | 1,668 | 45.5 | 1,343 |
| Fourth | 99.8 | 73.2 | 20.3 | 1,650 | 42.8 | 1,254 |
| Highest | 100.0 | 73.7 | 19.4 | 1,224 | 43.8 | 941 |
| No. of lifetime sexual partners |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0 | 99.9 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 817 | * | 0 |
| 1 | 99.8 | 80.2 | 22.3 | 1,425 | 44.3 | 1,230 |
| 2-3 | 100.0 | 87.9 | 23.4 | 3,215 | 42.8 | 2,844 |
| 4 or more | 100.0 | 92.8 | 21.8 | 2,353 | 41.3 | 2,141 |
| No response/refused | 100.0 | 87.5 | 18.1 | 449 | 38.6 | 374 |

[^46]| Table 8.1.1B <br> Awareness and Use of Condom among Men Aged 15-24 Years by Selected Characteristics <br> Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Characteristic | Ever Heard of Condom | Ever Used Condom | Currently Using Condom | No. of Cases | Used Condom at Last Sex in the Last 12 Months | No. of Cases |
| Total | 99.9 | 72.6 | 42.5 | 2,775 | 79.9 | 1,859 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 100.0 | 82.1 | 46.8 | 380 | 71.8 | 298 |
| Other urban | 99.8 | 72.5 | 42.1 | 759 | 80.5 | 513 |
| Rural | 99.9 | 69.8 | 41.5 | 1,636 | 82.5 | 1,048 |
| Health region |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 100.0 | 76.6 | 43.0 | 789 | 74.4 | 568 |
| 2 | 99.8 | 73.7 | 42.9 | 552 | 88.2 | 373 |
| 3 | 100.0 | 67.1 | 41.2 | 775 | 85.1 | 479 |
| 4 | 99.7 | 71.8 | 43.0 | 659 | 78.8 | 439 |
| Age group |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 99.8 | 58.7 | 32.3 | 1,652 | 85.8 | 851 |
| 20-24 | 100.0 | 92.8 | 57.4 | 1,123 | 74.8 | 1,008 |
| Current relationship status |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Married/common law union | 100.0 | 98.7 | 43.8 | 162 | 53.4 | 161 |
| Visiting relationship | 100.0 | 97.9 | 67.6 | 554 | 71.1 | 550 |
| Girlfriend with sex | 100.0 | 98.6 | 71.2 | 829 | 88.0 | 803 |
| Girlfriend without sex | 100.0 | 46.5 | 9.5 | 410 | 85.6 | 126 |
| No steady relationship | 99.6 | 36.1 | 11.9 | 820 | 87.1 | 219 |
| Marital status |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Currently in union | 100.0 | 98.1 | 62.8 | 716 | 67.4 | 711 |
| Previously in union | 100.0 | 96.3 | 53.3 | 175 | 84.2 | 156 |
| Never in union | 99.8 | 60.5 | 33.7 | 1,884 | 88.1 | 992 |
| No. of live births |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0 | 99.9 | 70.7 | 41.8 | 2,583 | 81.5 | 1,668 |
| 1+ | 100.0 | 98.9 | 52.2 | 192 | 65.2 | 191 |
| Education level (in years) ${ }^{\dagger}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-9 | 99.8 | 51.3 | 30.2 | 687 | 84.1 | 327 |
| 10-12 | 100.0 | 78.9 | 46.3 | 1,944 | 79.7 | 1,410 |
| 13 or more | 100.0 | 88.3 | 49.6 | 130 | 70.5 | 114 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 99.8 | 71.0 | 39.5 | 632 | 84.7 | 394 |
| Second | 99.9 | 68.0 | 39.2 | 620 | 80.7 | 406 |
| Middle | 99.8 | 74.4 | 41.1 | 512 | 73.4 | 350 |
| Fourth | 100.0 | 74.3 | 47.9 | 538 | 80.9 | 379 |
| Highest | 100.0 | 75.4 | 45.3 | 473 | 80.2 | 330 |
| No. of lifetime sexual partners |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0 | 99.6 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 714 | * | 0 |
| 1 | 100.0 | 88.3 | 36.4 | 243 | 88.4 | 150 |
| 2-3 | 100.0 | 95.0 | 46.5 | 421 | 80.0 | 358 |
| 4 or more | 100.0 | 98.8 | 63.6 | 1,281 | 78.1 | 1,238 |
| No response/refused | 100.0 | 99.5 | 59.2 | 116 | 88.2 | 113 |

[^47]| Table 8.1.2AFrequency of Condom Use with a Steady Partner among Women Aged 15-49 Years Who UsedCondoms in the Last 12 Months by Selected CharacteristicsReproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Characteristic | Frequency of Condom Use |  |  |  |  | Total | No. of Cases |
|  | Every Time | Almost Every $\qquad$ | Sometimes | Never | Does Not Remember |  |  |
| Total | 41.7 | 27.7 | 28.4 | 2.0 | 0.2 | 100.0 | 3,520 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 43.5 | 26.1 | 28.3 | 1.7 | 0.4 | 100.0 | 500 |
| Other urban | 44.8 | 24.3 | 28.3 | 2.6 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 991 |
| Rural | 38.3 | 31.4 | 28.6 | 1.7 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 2,029 |
| 2,029   <br> Health region   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2 | 36.3 | 33.7 | 28.9 | 1.1 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 795 |
| 3 | 44.4 | 36.1 | 18.4 | 1.0 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 888 |
| 4 | 36.7 | 28.5 | 32.7 | 2.0 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 848 |
| Parish |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston | 43.7 | 19.4 | 33.5 | 3.3 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 265 |
| St. Andrew | 45.0 | 26.9 | 25.9 | 1.8 | 0.4 | 100.0 | 256 |
| St. Thomas | 27.4 | 23.2 | 46.7 | 2.1 | 0.7 | 100.0 | 240 |
| Portland | 35.2 | 22.6 | 40.9 | 1.3 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 244 |
| St. Mary | 30.6 | 35.2 | 33.1 | 1.1 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 191 |
| St. Ann | 39.8 | 37.2 | 21.9 | 1.1 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 360 |
| Trelawny | 28.2 | 45.8 | 24.9 | 1.1 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 213 |
| St. James | 49.9 | 38.5 | 11.0 | 0.6 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 246 |
| Hanover | 35.1 | 32.4 | 31.1 | 1.4 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 210 |
| Westmoreland | 52.5 | 29.0 | 17.2 | 1.0 | 0.3 | 100.0 | 219 |
| St. Elizabeth | 43.3 | 19.5 | 36.3 | 1.0 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 216 |
| Manchester | 39.0 | 31.9 | 27.4 | 1.5 | 0.2 | 100.0 | 338 |
| Clarendon | 30.3 | 30.8 | 35.5 | 3.1 | 0.2 | 100.0 | 294 |
| St. Catherine | 47.5 | 18.1 | 30.8 | 3.6 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 228 |
| Age group |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 53.2 | 23.2 | 20.1 | 2.8 | 0.8 | 100.0 | 401 |
| 20-24 | 41.7 | 27.7 | 29.7 | 0.9 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 700 |
| 25-29 | 35.9 | 32.3 | 28.6 | 3.1 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 722 |
| 30-34 | 39.4 | 29.2 | 28.8 | 2.4 | 0.2 | 100.0 | 583 |
| 35-39 | 39.6 | 28.7 | 29.6 | 2.1 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 485 |
| 40-44 | 41.6 | 24.6 | 32.4 | 1.4 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 388 |
| 45-49 | 47.2 | 20.0 | 31.7 | 1.1 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 241 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Married | 33.9 | 29.1 | 35.2 | 1.8 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 1,498 |
| Common law union | 43.2 | 28.2 | 26.3 | 2.4 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 1,466 |
| Visiting relationship | 59.2 | 22.7 | 16.5 | 1.6 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 235 |
| Boyfriend with sex | 54.1 | 23.1 | 20.1 | 1.6 | 1.1 | 100.0 | 321 |
| Marital status |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Currently in union | 39.1 | 28.6 | 30.2 | 2.1 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 2,964 |
| Previously in union | 51.6 | 23.9 | 21.7 | 2.0 | 0.8 | 100.0 | 431 |
| Never in union | 73.8 | 19.1 | 6.8 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 100.0 | 125 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0 | 55.3 | 25.0 | 18.0 | 1.4 | 0.3 | 100.0 | 888 |
| 1 | 33.5 | 30.0 | 33.5 | 2.9 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 844 |
| 2 | 36.0 | 29.0 | 32.4 | 2.5 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 736 |
| 3 | 36.3 | 27.6 | 35.1 | 0.8 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 470 |
| 4 or more | 39.1 | 27.9 | 30.9 | 2.1 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 582 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-9 | 39.4 | 24.8 | 33.0 | 2.7 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 757 |
| 10-12 | 40.8 | 28.7 | 28.5 | 1.8 | 0.2 | 100.0 | 2,299 |
| 13 or more | 48.9 | 26.9 | 22.1 | 2.0 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 463 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 35.7 | 26.0 | 35.5 | 2.7 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 866 |
| Second | 42.7 | 28.2 | 27.9 | 1.1 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 732 |
| Middle | 41.1 | 30.5 | 26.0 | 2.3 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 743 |
| Fourth | 40.7 | 30.7 | 25.6 | 2.5 | 0.5 | 100.0 | 653 |
|  | 48.7 | 23.0 | 26.8 | 1.3 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 526 |
| No. of lifetime sexual partners |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 54.8 | 24.2 | 19.5 | 0.9 | 0.5 | 100.0 | 630 |
| 2-3 | 42.3 | 28.7 | 27.7 | 1.3 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 1,488 |
| 4 or more | 34.7 | 28.9 | 32.8 | 3.5 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 1,201 |
| No response/refused | 32.9 | 25.2 | 39.1 | 2.9 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 201 |

* Excludes 1 woman with missing information.

| Table 8.1.2B <br> Frequency of Condom Use with a Steady Partner among Men Aged 15-24 Years Who Used Condoms in the Last 12 Months by Selected Characteristics Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Characteristic | Frequency of Condom Use |  |  |  |  | Total | No. of Cases |
|  | Every Time | Almost Every Time | Sometimes | Never | Does Not Remember |  |  |
| Total | 51.1 | 25.9 | 19.5 | 3.0 | 0.5 | 100.0 | 1,626 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 53.1 | 21.9 | 19.7 | 3.9 | 1.3 | 100.0 | 265 |
| Other urban | 47.2 | 26.1 | 22.5 | 4.2 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 439 |
| Rural | 52.7 | 27.4 | 17.6 | 1.9 | 0.4 | 100.0 | 922 |
| Health region |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 51.1 | 23.9 | 20.5 | 3.8 | 0.7 | 100.0 | 484 |
| 2 | 56.6 | 26.7 | 15.5 | 0.8 | 0.4 | 100.0 | 342 |
| 3 | 56.8 | 27.4 | 15.4 | 0.3 | 0.2 | 100.0 | 418 |
| 4 | 42.8 | 27.1 | 24.1 | 5.6 | 0.5 | 100.0 | 382 |
| Age group |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 65.7 | 19.3 | 11.5 | 3.1 | 0.4 | 100.0 | 739 |
| 20-24 | 39.3 | 31.3 | 26.0 | 2.9 | 0.6 | 100.0 | 887 |
| Current relationship status |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Married/common law union | 19.5 | 37.0 | 40.8 | 2.6 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 135 |
| Visiting relationship | 43.2 | 29.1 | 22.4 | 4.5 | 0.8 | 100.0 | 511 |
| Girlfriend with sex | 59.1 | 24.1 | 15.7 | 0.9 | 0.3 | 100.0 | 718 |
| Girlfriend without sex | 67.2 | 9.0 | 10.2 | 13.6 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 106 |
| No steady relationship | 56.5 | 26.0 | 16.0 | 0.3 | 1.1 | 100.0 | 156 |
| Marital status |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Currently in union | 38.7 | 30.6 | 25.9 | 4.1 | 0.6 | 100.0 | 646 |
| Previously in union | 46.6 | 26.5 | 21.7 | 5.2 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 139 |
| Never in union | 61.8 | 22.0 | 14.0 | 1.7 | 0.4 | 100.0 | 841 |
| No. of live births  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0 | 55.5 | 24.5 | 16.6 | 2.9 | 0.5 | 100.0 | 1,464 |
| 1+ | 11.8 | 38.9 | 45.4 | 3.8 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 162 |
| Education level (in years)* |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-9 | 56.0 | 19.9 | 21.5 | 2.6 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 280 |
| 10-12 | 50.5 | 27.6 | 18.3 | 3.1 | 0.6 | 100.0 | 1,236 |
| 13 or more | 46.4 | 21.8 | 27.7 | 3.3 | 0.8 | 100.0 | 104 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 48.7 | 27.9 | 20.2 | 3.2 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 338 |
| Second | 53.8 | 24.8 | 16.4 | 4.1 | 0.9 | 100.0 | 355 |
| Middle | 45.2 | 29.7 | 22.8 | 2.0 | 0.3 | 100.0 | 295 |
| Fourth | 52.4 | 23.4 | 21.8 | 1.7 | 0.7 | 100.0 | 341 |
| Highest | 55.5 | 24.0 | 15.9 | 4.1 | 0.5 | 100.0 | 297 |
| No. of lifetime sexual partners |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 77.1 | 12.7 | 9.3 | 0.8 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 122 |
| 2-3 | 70.1 | 15.9 | 11.3 | 2.1 | 0.6 | 100.0 | 313 |
| 4 or more | 43.2 | 29.2 | 23.2 | 3.8 | 0.5 | 100.0 | 1,090 |
| No response/refused | 48.7 | 36.1 | 15.3 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 101 |

[^48]| Table 8.1.3A <br> Frequency of Condom Use with a Non-Steady Partner among Women Aged 15-24 Years Who Used Condoms in the Last 12 Months by Selected Characteristics Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Characteristic | Frequency of Condom Use |  |  |  |  | Total | No. of Cases |
|  | Every Time | Almost Every Time | Sometimes | Never | Does Not Remember |  |  |
| Total | 52.1 | 11.7 | 12.9 | 21.3 | 2.0 | 100.0 | 515 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 63.9 | 5.4 | 10.9 | 16.2 | 3.6 | 100.0 | 69 |
| Other urban | 50.6 | 14.0 | 16.2 | 19.2 |  | 100.0 | 148 |
| Rural | 49.1 | 11.8 | 10.6 | 25.2 | 3.3 | 100.0 | 298 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 54.1 | 9.4 | 15.0 | 19.6 | 1.9 | 100.0 | 152 |
| 2 | 72.5 | 13.6 | 4.2 | 9.7 |  | 100.0 | 85 |
| 3 | 41.9 | 13.2 | 7.3 | 35.2 | 2.3 | 100.0 | 157 |
| 4 | 49.8 | 13.9 | 17.5 | 16.2 | 2.6 | 100.0 | 121 |
| Age group |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-24 | 54.5 | 11.4 | 12.2 | 21.2 | 0.7 | 100.0 | 174 |
| 25-34 | 50.6 | 10.5 | 16.8 | 20.4 | 1.6 | 100.0 | 202 |
| 35-49 | 49.6 | 14.8 | 6.6 | 23.3 | 5.7 | 100.0 | 139 |
| Current relationship status |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Married/common law union | 49.7 | 11.7 | 13.2 | 23.4 | 1.9 | 100.0 | 152 |
| Visiting relationship | 53.4 | 11.0 | 12.0 | 21.1 | 2.5 | 100.0 | 242 |
| Boyfriend or no steady relationship | 51.6 | 13.3 | 14.8 | 19.4 | 0.9 | 100.0 | 121 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-9 | 58.1 | 11.3 | 10.8 | 17.5 | 2.2 | 100.0 | 139 |
| 10-12 | 51.2 | 10.9 | 14.9 | 20.9 | 2.1 | 100.0 | 321 |
| 13 or more | 46.9 | 17.5 | 4.8 | 29.9 | 0.9 | 100.0 | 55 |
| Lifetime sexual partners |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 7.5 | 9.4 | 7.8 | 72.4 | 3.0 | 100.0 | 45 |
| 2-3 | 39.4 | 16.3 | 12.1 | 30.1 | 2.1 | 100.0 | 137 |
| 4 or more | 67.2 | 8.1 | 14.0 | 9.0 | 1.8 | 100.0 | 284 |
| No response/refused | 53.2 | 22.9 | 15.6 | 6.2 | 2.1 | 100.0 | 49 |

[^49]| Table 8.1.3B <br> Frequency of Condom Use with a Non-Steady Partner among Men Aged 15-24 Years Who Used Condoms in the Last 12 Months by Selected Characteristics Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Characteristic | Frequency of Condom Use |  |  |  |  | Total | $\begin{aligned} & \text { No. of } \\ & \text { Cases } \end{aligned}$ |
|  | Every Time | $\begin{array}{\|c} \hline \text { Almost Every } \\ \text { Time } \\ \hline \end{array}$ | Sometimes | Never | Does Not Remember |  |  |
| Total | 73.3 | 18.2 | 7.4 | 0.5 | 0.6 | 100.0 | 1,394 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 86.0 | 5.6 | 8.1 | 0.3 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 231 |
| Other urban | 68.0 | 23.1 | 8.5 | 0.0 | 0.3 | 100.0 | 399 |
| Rural | 71.4 | 20.3 | 6.4 | 0.9 | 1.0 | 100.0 | 764 |
| Health region |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 76.4 | 12.9 | 9.4 | 0.2 | 1.1 | 100.0 | 400 |
| 2 | 79.7 | 13.8 | 4.8 | 0.7 | 0.9 | 100.0 | 270 |
| 3 | 77.2 | 16.7 | 5.6 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 100.0 | 360 |
| 4 | 62.2 | 29.2 | 7.4 | 1.1 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 364 |
| Age group |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 73.3 | 17.6 | 7.7 | 0.8 | 0.5 | 100.0 | 628 |
| 20-24 | 73.2 | 18.7 | 7.2 | 0.3 | 0.6 | 100.0 | 766 |
| Current relationship status |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Married/common law union | 77.2 | 16.3 | 4.5 | 0.0 | 2.0 | 100.0 | 95 |
| Visiting relationship | 73.4 | 16.2 | 9.3 | 0.5 | 0.7 | 100.0 | 414 |
| Girlfriend with sex | 72.7 | 19.1 | 7.3 | 0.6 | 0.4 | 100.0 | 621 |
| Girlfriend without sex | 76.0 | 18.0 | 6.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 100 |
| No steady relationship | 71.4 | 21.6 | 5.3 | 1.0 | 0.7 | 100.0 | 164 |
| Marital status |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Currently in union | 74.0 | 16.2 | 8.5 | 0.4 | 0.9 | 100.0 | 509 |
| Previously in union | 83.9 | 9.9 | 4.5 | 0.8 | 0.9 | 100.0 | 121 |
| Never in union | 71.0 | 20.9 | 7.2 | 0.5 | 0.3 | 100.0 | 764 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0 | 73.1 | 18.3 | 7.4 | 0.6 | 0.6 | 100.0 | 1,258 |
| 1+ | 74.3 | 17.3 | 7.7 | 0.0 | 0.6 | 100.0 | 136 |
| Education level (in years)* |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-9 | 70.8 | 19.8 | 8.0 | 1.3 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 242 |
| 10-12 | 72.7 | 18.5 | 7.7 | 0.4 | 0.7 | 100.0 | 1,058 |
| 13 or more | 84.3 | 12.4 | 3.0 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 100.0 | 87 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 73.0 | 18.3 | 6.4 | 1.2 | 1.0 | 100.0 | 301 |
| Second | 72.7 | 16.2 | 10.5 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 100.0 | 286 |
| Middle | 69.7 | 21.9 | 7.0 | 0.7 | 0.6 | 100.0 | 266 |
| Fourth | 71.7 | 21.0 | 7.1 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 285 |
| Highest | 79.7 | 13.0 | 6.2 | 0.1 | 1.0 | 100.0 | 256 |
| No. of lifetime sexual partners |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1-3 | 77.1 | 13.4 | 7.2 | 1.4 | 0.9 | 100.0 | 232 |
| 4 or more | 72.3 | 18.8 | 7.9 | 0.4 | 0.6 | 100.0 | 1,063 |
| No response/refused | 73.8 | 23.3 | 2.9 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 99 |

[^50]| Table 8.1.4A <br> History of Ever Asking a Partner to Use a Condom and Selected Partner's Reactions to the Woman's Request among Sexually Experienced Women Aged 15-49 Years by Selected Characteristics Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Ever Asked a Partner |  | Selected Partner's Reactions to the Woman's Request |  |  |  |  |  |
| Characteristic | \% | No. of Cases | He Refused to Wear a Condom | He Forced Her to Have Sex Without Condom | He Refused to Have Sex with Her | He <br> Threatened <br> to Break Up <br> with Her | He Threatened to Hurt Her | No. of Cases |
| Total | 71.9 | 7,442 | 20.6 | 7.5 | 6.6 | 2.8 | 0.9 | 5,379 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Other urban | 72.3 | 2,100 | 21.4 | 7.9 | 8.0 | 2.5 | 1.0 | 1,522 |
| Rural | 73.8 | 4,302 | 21.7 | 6.9 | 6.9 | 3.5 | 0.9 | 3,165 |
| Health region |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 68.7 | 2,079 | 17.6 | 7.1 | 5.2 | 2.2 | 0.7 | 1,401 |
| 2 | 79.4 | 1,596 | 21.4 | 8.3 | 4.6 | 2.0 | 1.1 | 1,235 |
| 3 | 72.2 | 2,067 | 23.9 | 4.9 | 8.3 | 4.1 | 1.2 | 1,491 |
| 4 | 74.0 | 1,700 | 22.7 | 9.9 | 9.2 | 3.1 | 0.7 | 1,252 |
| Age group |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 69.4 | 557 | 19.3 | 4.6 | 1.9 | 1.7 | 0.3 | 385 |
| 20-24 | 78.4 | 1,057 | 20.1 | 8.5 | 7.2 | 1.5 | 0.6 | 842 |
| 25-29 | 77.0 | 1,323 | 22.0 | 8.2 | 7.1 | 3.2 | 1.4 | 1,043 |
| 30-34 | 77.5 | 1,203 | 25.5 | 9.7 | 8.3 | 4.1 | 0.9 | 925 |
| 35-39 | 70.7 | 1,211 | 16.2 | 6.3 | 5.4 | 2.9 | 0.4 | 880 |
| 40-44 | 65.7 | 1,070 | 18.4 | 6.1 | 7.1 | 2.6 | 1.2 | 734 |
| 45-49 | 53.8 | 1,021 | 20.0 | 5.9 | 7.6 | 2.6 | 1.5 | 570 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Married/common law union | 70.0 | 3,599 | 20.4 | 6.7 | 7.1 | 2.8 | 1.1 | 2,541 |
| Visiting relationship | 77.5 | 2,279 | 21.5 | 8.4 | 6.2 | 2.3 | 0.4 | 1,763 |
| Boyfriend | 67.5 | 328 | 15.6 | 3.3 | 3.5 | 0.6 | 0.4 | 225 |
| No steady relationship | 66.3 | 1,236 | 20.2 | 8.8 | 7.2 | 4.3 | 1.5 | 850 |
| Marital status |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Currently in union | 73.4 | 5,878 | 20.9 | 7.5 | 6.7 | 2.6 | 0.8 | 4,304 |
| Previously in union | 67.6 | 1,344 | 20.3 | 8.2 | 6.8 | 3.8 | 1.3 | 947 |
| Never in union | 61.0 | 220 | 11.8 | 3.2 | 3.3 | 1.4 | 0.9 | 128 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0 | 73.4 | 1,391 | 16.5 | 5.4 | 4.0 | 2.1 | 0.2 | 1,012 |
| 1 | 75.5 | 1,707 | 23.4 | 9.7 | 6.8 | 3.0 | 0.7 | 1,275 |
| 2 | 68.9 | 1,632 | 18.2 | 5.2 | 6.7 | 2.4 | 1.2 | 1,172 |
| 3 | 71.4 | 1,110 | 22.7 | 8.4 | 7.5 | 2.6 | 0.7 | 813 |
| 4 or more | 68.9 | 1,602 | 22.8 | 9.0 | 9.1 | 3.9 | 1.7 | 1,107 |
| Education level (in years)* |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-9 | 67.4 | 1,945 | 24.6 | 9.1 | 7.4 | 4.1 | 1.4 | 1,324 |
| 10-12 | 72.5 | 4,573 | 20.4 | 7.3 | 6.6 | 2.8 | 0.8 | 3,351 |
| 13 or more | 76.4 | 921 | 15.8 | 6.1 | 5.8 | 0.9 | 0.6 | 701 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 72.3 | 1,860 | 22.8 | 8.4 | 8.2 | 4.4 | 1.2 | 1,349 |
| Second | 71.0 | 1,579 | 22.4 | 9.0 | 8.5 | 3.1 | 0.8 | 1,113 |
| Middle | 72.9 | 1,501 | 20.7 | 6.5 | 5.9 | 2.7 | 0.7 | 1,097 |
| Fourth | 72.2 | 1,446 | 21.2 | 8.9 | 5.1 | 2.2 | 1.1 | 1,058 |
| Highest | 71.1 | 1,056 | 15.3 | 4.5 | 5.3 | 1.3 | 0.4 | 762 |
| No. of lifetime sexual partners |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 62.7 | 1,425 | 11.9 | 4.0 | 4.6 | 1.7 | 0.4 | 868 |
| 2-3 | 70.9 | 3,215 | 19.1 | 5.0 | 5.1 | 2.4 | 0.5 | 2,322 |
| 4 or more | 81.2 | 2,353 | 27.0 | 12.8 | 9.3 | 3.9 | 1.7 | 1,880 |
| No response/refused | 63.8 | 449 | 20.5 | 5.1 | 8.8 | 1.6 | 0.0 | 309 |

*Excludes 3 women with missing information.

| Table 8.1.4B <br> History of Ever Suggesting to Use a Condom with a Female Partner and Selected Partner's Reactions to This Suggestion among Sexually Experienced Men Aged 15-24 Years by Selected Characteristics Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Characteristic | Ever Suggested Condom Use |  | Selected Partner's Reactions to the Man's Suggestion |  |  |  |  |
|  | \% | No. of Cases | She Convinced Him to Not Use a Condom | She Refused to Let Him Wear a Condom | She Refused to Have Sex with Him | She <br> Threatened to Break Up with Him | No. of Cases |
| Total | 78.0 | 2,061 | 15.5 | 8.5 | 6.3 | 1.6 | 1,624 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 79.6 | 322 | 6 | 5.9 | 4.5 | 0.1 | 252 |
| Other urban | 76.8 | 573 | 22 | 12.5 | 9.3 | 2.6 | 449 |
| Rural | 78.1 | 1,166 | 15 | 7.1 | 5.1 | 1.6 | 923 |
| Health region |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 72.4 | 622 | 11 | 8.0 | 5.0 | 0.8 | 441 |
| 2 | 81.2 | 418 | 8 | 8.6 | 5.2 | 3.8 | 333 |
| 3 | 81.7 | 539 | 11 | 8.6 | 4.1 | 1.3 | 451 |
| 4 | 81.3 | 482 | 31 | 9.2 | 10.7 | 1.8 | 399 |
| Age group |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 74.0 | 998 | 14 | 7.3 | 6.0 | 1.8 | 764 |
| 20-24 | 81.7 | 1,063 | 17 | 9.6 | 6.5 | 1.4 | 860 |
| Current relationship status |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Married/common law union | 87.1 | 162 | 17 | 14.1 | 4.8 | 1.9 | 136 |
| Visiting relationship | 82.2 | 554 | 17 | 9.2 | 6.7 | 1.5 | 465 |
| Girlfriend with sex | 78.4 | 826 | 15 | 7.2 | 5.8 | 1.3 | 653 |
| Girlfriend without sex | 76.6 | 200 | 11 | 5.9 | 2.3 | 1.5 | 157 |
| No steady relationship | 65.6 | 319 | 18 | 9.6 | 11.1 | 2.8 | 213 |
| Marital status |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Currently in union | 83.2 | 716 | 17 | 10.3 | 6.3 | 1.5 | 601 |
| Previously in union | 81.6 | 175 | 12 | 6.9 | 4.4 | 1.3 | 138 |
| Never in union |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| No. of children born alive | 74.2 | 1,170 | 15 | 7.6 | 6.6 | 1.7 | 885 |
| 0 | 77.2 | 1,869 | 15 | 8.1 | 6.0 | 1.6 | 1,464 |
| 1+ | 85.3 | 192 | 20 | 12.2 | 9.0 | 1.6 | 160 |
| Education level (in years)* |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-9 | 70.6 | 371 | 12 | 6.8 | 5.7 | 2.8 | 275 |
| 10-12 | 79.3 | 1,564 | 16 | 8.9 | 6.3 | 1.5 | 1,249 |
| 13 or more | 81.2 | 118 | 19 | 8.5 | 7.7 | 0.0 | 93 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 78.3 | 453 | 16 | 8.8 | 4.3 | 1.5 | 355 |
| Second | 79.6 | 437 | 13 | 10.7 | 9.0 | 3.2 | 355 |
| Middle | 73.0 | 391 | 14 | 7.5 | 3.9 | 1.3 | 287 |
| Fourth | 80.7 | 416 | 15 | 6.4 | 4.7 | 1.3 | 330 |
| Highest | 78.6 | 364 | 19 | 9.5 | 9.9 | 0.9 | 297 |
| No. of lifetime sexual partners |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 66.2 | 243 | 9 | 2.9 | 2.5 | 2.1 | 157 |
| 2-3 | 73.5 | 421 | 10 | 5.0 | 4.1 | 1.3 | 319 |
| 4 or more | 82.1 | 1,281 | 18 | 10.0 | 7.4 | 1.7 | 1,052 |
| No response/refused | 71.8 | 116 | 17 | 13.1 | 7.4 | 1.3 | 96 |

[^51]| Table 8.1.5 <br> History of Ever Being Asked to Use a Condom by a Female Partner and Selected Man's Reactions to the Request among Sexually Experienced Men Aged 15-24 Years by Selected Characteristics <br> Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Characteristic | Ever Being Asked to Use Condoms |  | Selected Man's Reactions to the Request |  |  |  |  |
|  | \% | No. of Cases | Made Her Have Sex with Him without Condom | He Refused to Have Sex with Her | He Got Angry | He Threatend Never to Date Her Again | No. of Cases |
| Total | 69.9 | 2,061 | 16.3 | 3.5 | 2.1 | 1.1 | 1,429 |
| Residence <br> Kingston Metropolitan Area Other urban Rural |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 72.8 | 322 | 10.9 | 0.9 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 231 |
|  | 70.0 | 573 | 18.4 | 4.4 | 1.6 | 1.4 | 396 |
|  | 68.8 | 1,166 | 17.0 | 4.0 | 3.1 | 1.2 | 802 |
| Health region |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 68.0 | 622 | 14.1 | 2.4 | 2.5 | 1.0 | 409 |
| 2 | 63.5 | 418 | 17.1 | 8.2 | 2.3 | 1.0 | 265 |
| 3 | 78.8 | 539 | 6.1 | 2.8 | 1.5 | 1.6 | 421 |
| 4 | 68.0 | 482 | 30.4 | 3.7 | 2.1 | 0.8 | 334 |
| Age group |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 64.5 | 998 | 13.4 | 3.7 | 1.4 | 0.9 | 650 |
| 20-24 <br> Current relationship status | 75.0 | 1,063 | 18.7 | 3.4 | 2.7 | 1.2 | 779 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Married/common law union | 80.4 | 162 | 20.6 | 3.7 | 3.9 | 2.2 | 126 |
| Visiting relationship | 76.6 | 554 | 13.2 | 2.6 | 2.7 | 1.5 | 422 |
| Girlfriend with sex | 69.2 | 826 | 16.0 | 2.9 | 1.0 | 0.3 | 574 |
| Girlfriend without sex | 61.1 | 200 | 13.4 | 5.7 | 0.0 | 1.3 | 127 |
| No steady relationshipMarital status | 60.6 | 319 | 23.8 | 6.1 | 4.5 | 1.6 | 180 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Currently in union | 77.4 | 716 | 14.8 | 2.9 | 2.9 | 1.7 | 548 |
| Previously in union | 65.6 | 175 | 17.9 | 4.9 | 1.2 | 0.0 | 110 |
| Never in union | 66.0 | 1,170 | 17.2 | 3.8 | 1.6 | 0.8 | 771 |
| No. of live births |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0 | 68.6 | 1,869 | 14.9 | 3.6 | 2.1 | 1.0 | 1,271 |
| 1+ | 83.3 | 192 | 28.3 | 3.4 | 1.7 | 1.7 | 158 |
| Education level (in years)* |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 64.5 | 371 | 14.7 | 3.2 | 2.2 | 1.2 | 238 |
| 10-12 | 70.6 | 1,564 | 16.1 | 3.6 | 2.2 | 1.2 | 1,102 |
| 13 or more | 76.3 | 118 | 23.0 | 3.4 | 1.1 | 0.0 | 84 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 67.2 | 453 | 18.0 | 4.9 | 0.9 | 0.9 | 305 |
| Second | 69.8 | 437 | 15.0 | 3.3 | 4.5 | 1.4 | 301 |
| Middle | 68.1 | 391 | 16.1 | 3.7 | 0.3 | 1.0 | 259 |
| Fourth | 72.3 | 416 | 14.7 | 2.5 | 2.7 | 1.3 | 295 |
| Highest | 72.3 | 364 | 17.8 | 3.4 | 2.3 | 0.8 | 269 |
| No. of lifetime sexual partners |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 48.8 | 243 | 9.1 | 4.3 | 0.7 | 0.0 | 119 |
| 2-3 | 66.1 | 421 | 8.0 | 1.4 | 1.5 | 0.7 | 273 |
| 4 or more | 75.4 | 1,281 | 19.9 | 3.7 | 2.4 | 1.0 | 951 |
| No response/refused | 64.4 | 116 | 12.5 | 7.9 | 2.3 | 5.3 | 86 |

$\dagger$ Excludes 5 men with missing information.

Table 8.2A
Main Reasons for Using Condoms among Women Aged 15-49 Years Who Have Used Condoms in the Last 12 Months by Selected Characteristics Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008

| Characteristic | Main Reason for Using Condoms |  |  |  | Total | No. of Cases |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | To Prevent <br> Pregnancy and STIs | $\begin{gathered} \text { To Prevent STls } \\ \text { Only } \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | To Prevent Pregnancy Only | Does Not Know |  |  |
| Total | 71.5 | 19.0 | 8.8 | 0.6 | 100.0 | 3,593 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 75.4 | 19.1 | 3.9 | 1.6 | 100.0 | 514 |
| Other urban | 71.1 | 19.5 | 9.2 | 0.2 | 100.0 | 1,007 |
| Rural | 70.1 | 18.5 | 10.9 | 0.5 | 100.0 | 2,072 |
| Health region |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 75.5 | 17.6 | 6.1 | 0.7 | 100.0 | 1,013 |
| 2 | 61.7 | 17.5 | 20.1 | 0.6 | 100.0 | 817 |
| 3 | 71.8 | 20.9 | 7.3 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 911 |
| 4 | 69.0 | 21.1 | 9.0 | 0.9 | 100.0 | 852 |
| Parish |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston | 88.4 | 7.0 | 4.4 | 0.2 | 100.0 | 273 |
| St. Andrew | 74.4 | 19.9 | 4.0 | 1.7 | 100.0 | 263 |
| St. Thomas | 71.1 | 17.0 | 11.7 | 0.2 | 100.0 | 247 |
| Portland | 71.1 | 17.1 | 10.3 | 1.5 | 100.0 | 250 |
| St. Mary | 73.9 | 23.1 | 2.4 | 0.6 | 100.0 | 204 |
| St. Ann | 50.9 | 14.5 | 34.3 | 0.3 | 100.0 | 363 |
| Trelawny | 67.8 | 18.5 | 13.7 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 215 |
| St. James | 78.3 | 18.2 | 3.5 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 249 |
| Hanover | 83.0 | 11.2 | 5.8 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 218 |
| Westmoreland | 60.5 | 30.8 | 8.7 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 229 |
| St. Elizabeth | 63.2 | 25.1 | 11.4 | 0.3 | 100.0 | 217 |
| Manchester | 69.3 | 21.6 | 7.6 | 1.5 | 100.0 | 338 |
| Clarendon | 72.5 | 18.0 | 8.9 | 0.6 | 100.0 | 297 |
| St. Catherine | 74.9 | 17.6 | 7.6 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 230 |
| Age group |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 80.4 | 12.7 | 6.8 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 412 |
| 20-24 | 77.8 | 15.8 | 6.3 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 711 |
| 25-29 | 72.2 | 18.6 | 8.6 | 0.6 | 100.0 | 736 |
| 30-34 | 69.3 | 17.9 | 10.9 | 1.9 | 100.0 | 594 |
| 35-39 | 63.3 | 24.7 | 11.9 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 498 |
| 40-44 | 61.0 | 28.2 | 9.5 | 1.3 | 100.0 | 396 |
| 45-49 | 62.6 | 25.3 | 11.9 | 0.2 | 100.0 | 246 |
| Current relationship status |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Married/common law union | 65.0 | 19.5 | 14.6 | 0.9 | 100.0 | 1,519 |
| Visiting relationship | 74.6 | 20.2 | 5.2 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 1,477 |
| Boyfriend | 84.6 | 11.0 | 4.2 | 0.2 | 100.0 | 250 |
| No steady relationship | 72.6 | 16.8 | 7.5 | 3.0 | 100.0 | 347 |
| Marital status |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Currently in union | 70.3 | 19.9 | 9.4 | 0.4 | 100.0 | 2,996 |
| Previously in union | 75.2 | 16.4 | 6.1 | 2.3 | 100.0 | 462 |
| Never in union | 86.7 | 6.7 | 6.4 | 0.2 | 100.0 | 135 |
| No. of children born alive |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0 | 78.7 | 13.8 | 6.5 | 0.9 | 100.0 | 911.0 |
| 1 | 71.6 | 18.7 | 9.0 | 0.7 | 100.0 | 859.0 |
| 2 | 70.1 | 21.1 | 8.5 | 0.4 | 100.0 | 751.0 |
| 3 | 64.5 | 22.2 | 12.6 | 0.7 | 100.0 | 478.0 |
| 4 or more | 62.9 | 25.8 | 11.1 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 594.0 |
| Education level (in years) ${ }^{*}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-9 | 69.3 | 22.7 | 7.9 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 775 |
| 10-12 | 71.9 | 19.1 | 8.2 | 0.8 | 100.0 | 2,345 |
| 13 or more | 72.7 | 13.7 | 13.1 | 0.5 | 100.0 | 472 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 70.5 | 17.9 | 11.0 | 0.6 | 100.0 | 880 |
| Second | 69.5 | 21.0 | 9.1 | 0.4 | 100.0 | 756 |
| Middle | 75.3 | 18.0 | 6.7 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 759 |
| Fourth | 75.1 | 15.4 | 8.0 | 1.5 | 100.0 | 669 |
| Highest | 66.6 | 23.1 | 9.7 | 0.6 | 100.0 | 529 |
| No. of lifetime sexual partners |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 71.1 | 13.0 | 15.6 | 0.3 | 100.0 | 644 |
| 2-3 | 71.2 | 19.5 | 8.3 | 1.0 | 100.0 | 1,506 |
| 4 or more | 71.6 | 22.5 | 5.7 | 0.2 | 100.0 | 1,231 |
| No response/refused | 75.6 | 14.5 | 8.7 | 1.2 | 100.0 | 212 |

* Excludes 1 woman with missing information


[^52]| Table 8.3.1A <br> Perceptions about the Condom's Effectiveness to Prevent Pregnancy among Women Aged 15-49 Years by Selected Characteristics <br> Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Characteristic | Perception of Condom's Effectiveness |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Very Effective | Effective | Somewhat Effective | Not Effective | Does Not Know/ No <br> Response | Total | No. of Cases |
| Total | 29.5 | 36.4 | 21.5 | 4.9 | 7.7 | 100.0 | 8,259 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 22.3 | 35.9 | 23.6 | 5.1 | 13.0 | 100.0 | 1,198 |
| Other urban | 34.5 | 36.3 | 19.3 | 4.4 | 5.5 | 100.0 | 2,283 |
| Rural | 28.6 | 36.6 | 22.3 | 5.3 | 7.1 | 100.0 | 4,778 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 28.3 | 35.4 | 20.9 | 5.2 | 10.1 | 100.0 | 2,340 |
| 2 | 43.0 | 29.2 | 16.9 | 5.1 | 5.8 | 100.0 | 1,761 |
| 3 | 26.1 | 44.6 | 20.3 | 3.0 | 6.0 | 100.0 | 2,313 |
| 4 | 27.1 | 34.8 | 26.8 | 6.1 | 5.2 | 100.0 | 1,845 |
| Parish |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston | 16.6 | 33.3 | 28.3 | 7.4 | 14.4 | 100.0 | 644 |
| St. Andrew | 23.4 | 36.0 | 22.7 | 4.9 | 13.0 | 100.0 | 636 |
| St. Thomas | 10.1 | 47.7 | 26.4 | 6.9 | 8.9 | 100.0 | 504 |
| Portland | 20.9 | 35.5 | 30.0 | 8.9 | 4.8 | 100.0 | 516 |
| St. Mary | 44.8 | 25.1 | 16.2 | 5.1 | 8.8 | 100.0 | 542 |
| St. Ann | 51.0 | 29.7 | 11.8 | 3.4 | 4.0 | 100.0 | 703 |
| Trelawny | 39.8 | 27.3 | 20.8 | 5.7 | 6.5 | 100.0 | 516 |
| St. James | 21.5 | 50.2 | 17.2 | 3.8 | 7.2 | 100.0 | 635 |
| Hanover | 29.6 | 35.3 | 26.0 | 2.1 | 7.0 | 100.0 | 541 |
| Westmoreland | 22.8 | 51.2 | 20.9 | 1.3 | 3.9 | 100.0 | 621 |
| St. Elizabeth | 42.4 | 36.8 | 11.6 | 3.1 | 6.1 | 100.0 | 528 |
| Manchester | 22.1 | 33.9 | 32.0 | 5.7 | 6.3 | 100.0 | 668 |
| Clarendon | 20.7 | 34.1 | 33.0 | 8.6 | 3.6 | 100.0 | 649 |
| St. Catherine | 37.7 | 33.5 | 17.1 | 4.9 | 6.8 | 100.0 | 556 |
| Age group |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 26.0 | 30.8 | 19.3 | 4.0 | 19.9 | 100.0 | 1,229 |
| 20-24 | 34.3 | 34.7 | 21.8 | 4.3 | 5.0 | 100.0 | 1,114 |
| 25-29 | 32.8 | 36.4 | 21.3 | 6.6 | 2.9 | 100.0 | 1,350 |
| 30-34 | 30.5 | 40.1 | 21.0 | 5.5 | 2.9 | 100.0 | 1,219 |
| 35-39 | 28.1 | 38.4 | 23.3 | 5.1 | 5.0 | 100.0 | 1,221 |
| 40-44 | 27.7 | 38.4 | 22.5 | 4.9 | 6.4 | 100.0 | 1,084 |
| 45-49 | 24.5 | 38.8 | 22.6 | 3.8 | 10.3 | 100.0 | 1,042 |
| Current relationship status |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Married | 27.9 | 37.8 | 24.2 | 4.9 | 5.2 | 100.0 | 1,441 |
| Common law union | 30.1 | 38.2 | 22.5 | 6.0 | 3.2 | 100.0 | 2,158 |
| Visiting relationship | 34.9 | 36.1 | 21.2 | 4.8 | 3.0 | 100.0 | 2,279 |
| Boyfriend with sex | 22.4 | 46.5 | 21.9 | 6.2 | 3.1 | 100.0 | 281 |
| Boyfriend without sex | 23.2 | 27.9 | 15.7 | 7.8 | 25.4 | 100.0 | 197 |
| No steady relationship | 24.8 | 33.8 | 20.1 | 3.7 | 17.7 | 100.0 | 1,903 |
| Marital status |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Currently in union | 31.8 | 37.2 | 22.3 | 5.2 | 3.6 | 100.0 | 5,878 |
| Previously in union | 26.3 | 42.1 | 22.6 | 5.1 | 3.9 | 100.0 | 1,344 |
| Never in union | 22.4 | 26.9 | 17.0 | 3.6 | 30.1 | 100.0 | 1,037 |
| No. of children born alive |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0 | 30.8 | 32.3 | 17.7 | 3.6 | 15.6 | 100.0 | 2,208 |
| 1 | 31.1 | 37.1 | 22.4 | 5.7 | 3.7 | 100.0 | 1,707 |
| 2 | 33.2 | 37.0 | 22.1 | 4.5 | 3.1 | 100.0 | 1,632 |
| 3 | 26.0 | 41.1 | 23.9 | 4.7 | 4.4 | 100.0 | 1,110 |
| 4 or more | 22.9 | 39.5 | 25.8 | 7.4 | 4.5 | 100.0 | 1,602 |
| Education level (in years) ${ }^{*}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-9 | 24.4 | 34.4 | 23.8 | 6.9 | 10.6 | 100.0 | 2,183 |
| 10-12 | 30.0 | 37.3 | 20.8 | 4.9 | 7.2 | 100.0 | 5,078 |
| 13 or more | 35.7 | 35.5 | 21.2 | 2.1 | 5.5 | 100.0 | 995 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 29.0 | 34.3 | 23.1 | 7.4 | 6.1 | 100.0 | 2,001 |
| Second | 27.0 | 36.9 | 23.5 | 5.6 | 6.9 | 100.0 | 1,716 |
| Middle | 27.8 | 37.9 | 20.8 | 4.5 | 9.1 | 100.0 | 1,668 |
| Fourth | 29.8 | 36.8 | 21.0 | 4.5 | 7.9 | 100.0 | 1,650 |
| Highest | 33.5 | 36.1 | 19.1 | 2.7 | 8.6 | 100.0 | 1,224 |
| No. of lifetime sexual partners |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0 | 19.9 | 25.4 | 16.6 | 2.9 | 35.3 | 100.0 | 817 |
| 1 | 34.9 | 36.1 | 19.7 | 4.2 | 5.2 | 100.0 | 1,425 |
| 2-3 | 30.4 | 40.3 | 21.7 | 4.5 | 3.1 | 100.0 | 3,215 |
| 4 or more | 28.9 | 36.4 | 24.2 | 7.5 | 2.9 | 100.0 | 2,353 |
| * Less than 25 cases | 29.7 | 35.0 | 24.8 | 3.0 | 7.6 | 100.0 | 449 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| No | 19.1 | 30.1 | 19.7 | 4.4 | 26.7 | 100.0 | 1,731 |
| Yes | 32.6 | 38.3 | 22.1 | 5.1 | 1.9 | 100.0 | 6,528 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| No | 26.8 | 35.6 | 22.6 | 5.5 | 9.5 | 100.0 | 6,703 |
| Yes | 40.5 | 39.4 | 17.0 | 2.6 | 0.5 | 100.0 | 1,556 |


| Perceptions abou | Condo | Effective <br> by Se <br> roductive | able 8.3.1B <br> ss to Preve <br> ted Charact <br> alth Survey | Pregnancy am istics <br> Jamaica, 2008 | ng Men | 15-24 Yea |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Characteristic | Perception about the Condom's Effectiveness to Prevent Pregnancy |  |  |  |  | Used Condom at Last Sex in the Last 12 Months | No. of Cases |
|  | Very Effective | Effective | Somewhat Effective | Not Effective | Does Not Know/No Response |  |  |
| Total | 38.2 | 37.9 | 15.9 | 1.9 | 6.1 | 100.0 | 2,775 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 34.6 | 36.5 | 19.9 | 2.1 | 6.9 | 100.0 | 380 |
| Other urban | 38.7 | 36.4 | 18.2 | 2.0 | 4.7 | 100.0 | 759 |
| Rural | 39.1 | 39.2 | 13.3 | 1.8 | 6.7 | 100.0 | 1,636 |
| Health region |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 40.5 | 31.2 | 18.0 | 2.4 | 7.9 | 100.0 | 789 |
| 2 | 41.0 | 38.1 | 13.1 | 2.0 | 5.8 | 100.0 | 552 |
| 3 | 32.9 | 43.9 | 18.6 | 1.1 | 3.5 | 100.0 | 775 |
| 4 | 38.9 | 41.3 | 11.5 | 2.0 | 6.3 | 100.0 | 659 |
| Age group |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 35.8 | 36.5 | 16.9 | 1.9 | 9.0 | 100.0 | 1,652 |
| 20-24 | 41.7 | 40.0 | 14.4 | 2.0 | 1.9 | 100.0 | 1,123 |
| Current relationship status |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Married/common law union | 45.6 | 37.9 | 13.5 | 1.4 | 1.6 | 100.0 | 162 |
| Visiting relationship | 43.1 | 38.3 | 14.5 | 2.9 | 1.2 | 100.0 | 554 |
| Girlfriend with sex | 42.0 | 40.4 | 15.0 | 1.4 | 1.1 | 100.0 | 829 |
| Girlfriend without sex | 34.9 | 34.2 | 20.5 | 2.5 | 7.9 | 100.0 | 410 |
| No steady relationship | 31.1 | 36.9 | 15.7 | 1.5 | 14.8 | 100.0 | 820 |
| Marital status |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Currently in union | 43.6 | 38.2 | 14.3 | 2.6 | 1.3 | 100.0 | 716 |
| Previously in union | 41.1 | 34.6 | 19.8 | 0.5 | 4.0 | 100.0 | 175 |
| Never in union | 35.9 | 38.1 | 16.1 | 1.8 | 8.1 | 100.0 | 1,884 |
| No. of children born alive |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0 | 37.9 | 37.8 | 15.9 | 1.9 | 6.5 | 100.0 | 2,583 |
| 1+ | 43.1 | 38.7 | 15.5 | 1.8 | 0.9 | 100.0 | 192 |
| Education level (in years)* |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-9 | 33.4 | 37.3 | 14.5 | 2.5 | 12.2 | 100.0 | 687 |
| 10-12 | 39.4 | 37.7 | 16.8 | 1.9 | 4.2 | 100.0 | 1,944 |
| 13 or more | 45.5 | 41.9 | 10.1 | 0.0 | 2.5 | 100.0 | 130 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 35.1 | 42.8 | 11.8 | 2.6 | 7.7 | 100.0 | 632 |
| Second | 36.4 | 36.8 | 18.2 | 1.9 | 6.7 | 100.0 | 620 |
| Middle | 37.1 | 37.6 | 17.1 | 1.6 | 6.7 | 100.0 | 512 |
| Fourth | 37.7 | 35.9 | 20.1 | 1.2 | 5.2 | 100.0 | 538 |
| Highest | 45.5 | 36.2 | 11.9 | 2.3 | 4.0 | 100.0 | 473 |
| No. of lifetime sexual partners |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0 | 26.8 | 32.3 | 19.0 | 1.8 | 20.2 | 100.0 | 714 |
| 1 | 44.3 | 41.1 | 11.4 | 0.5 | 2.7 | 100.0 | 243 |
| 2-3 | 44.5 | 36.6 | 16.5 | 0.8 | 1.5 | 100.0 | 421 |
| 4 or more | 41.9 | 38.8 | 15.5 | 2.6 | 1.2 | 100.0 | 1,281 |
| No response/refused | 31.2 | 58.3 | 8.1 | 2.2 | 0.2 | 100.0 | 116 |
| Ever used condoms |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| No | 25.5 | 33.8 | 19.0 | 1.8 | 19.9 | 100.0 | 770 |
| Yes | 43.0 | 39.4 | 14.7 | 2.0 | 0.9 | 100.0 | 2,005 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| No | 32.6 | 37.4 | 18.0 | 2.0 | 10.0 | 100.0 | 1,583 |
| Yes | 45.8 | 38.5 | 13.0 | 1.8 | 0.8 | 100.0 | 1,192 |

[^53]| Table 8.3.2A <br> Perceptions about Condom's Effectiveness to Prevent Sexually Transmitted Infections among Women Aged 15-49 Years by Selected Characteristics Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Perception about Condom's Effectiveness to Prevent STIs |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Characteristic | Very Effective | Effective | Somewhat Effective | Not Effective | Does Not Know/ No Response | Total | No. of Cases |
| Total | 44.4 | 32.9 | 14.0 | 2.3 | 6.4 | 100.0 | 8,259 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 38.2 | 35.1 | 12.2 | 2.7 | 11.8 | 100.0 | 1,198 |
| Other urban | 50.3 | 30.3 | 14.1 | 1.7 | 3.7 | 100.0 | 2,283 |
| Rural | 42.5 | 33.9 | 14.8 | 2.6 | 6.2 | 100.0 | 4,778 |
| Health region |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 45.3 | 30.7 | 13.0 | 2.5 | 8.4 | 100.0 | 2,340 |
| 2 | 57.3 | 25.2 | 11.3 | 2.2 | 4.0 | 100.0 | 1,761 |
| 3 | 39.6 | 39.3 | 14.1 | 1.8 | 5.1 | 100.0 | 2,313 |
| 4 | 39.3 | 36.0 | 17.6 | 2.3 | 4.8 | 100.0 | 1,845 |
| Parish |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston | 27.9 | 36.0 | 19.1 | 4.3 | 12.8 | 100.0 | 644 |
| St. Andrew | 41.6 | 33.4 | 11.0 | 2.6 | 11.5 | 100.0 | 636 |
| St. Thomas | 19.0 | 49.1 | 16.6 | 4.7 | 10.6 | 100.0 | 504 |
| Portland | 43.2 | 27.5 | 23.5 | 3.2 | 2.5 | 100.0 | 516 |
| St. Mary | 59.6 | 23.3 | 9.3 | 2.3 | 5.5 | 100.0 | 542 |
| St. Ann | 61.4 | 25.6 | 7.7 | 1.7 | 3.5 | 100.0 | 703 |
| Trelawny | 63.0 | 18.2 | 10.9 | 3.3 | 4.6 | 100.0 | 516 |
| St. James | 29.8 | 45.7 | 14.6 | 2.6 | 7.4 | 100.0 | 635 |
| Hanover | 42.8 | 34.1 | 15.7 | 1.1 | 6.4 | 100.0 | 541 |
| Westmoreland | 37.7 | 45.1 | 14.5 | 0.5 | 2.3 | 100.0 | 621 |
| St. Elizabeth | 40.7 | 37.3 | 12.8 | 3.1 | 6.1 | 100.0 | 528 |
| Manchester | 44.6 | 36.3 | 13.3 | 1.4 | 4.4 | 100.0 | 668 |
| Clarendon | 33.5 | 34.8 | 24.8 | 2.6 | 4.2 | 100.0 | 649 |
| St. Catherine | 55.9 | 24.4 | 13.4 | 1.9 | 4.4 | 100.0 | 556 |
| Age group |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 37.4 | 29.6 | 14.1 | 1.7 | 17.2 | 100.0 | 1,229 |
| 20-24 | 48.4 | 30.3 | 14.5 | 2.7 | 4.1 | 100.0 | 1,114 |
| 25-29 | 49.9 | 32.0 | 13.9 | 1.9 | 2.2 | 100.0 | 1,350 |
| 30-34 | 46.2 | 34.8 | 13.1 | 3.2 | 2.7 | 100.0 | 1,219 |
| 35-39 | 43.4 | 36.5 | 13.4 | 2.7 | 4.1 | 100.0 | 1,221 |
| 40-44 | 44.2 | 34.2 | 15.0 | 1.9 | 4.7 | 100.0 | 1,084 |
| 45-49 | 40.6 | 34.9 | 14.2 | 2.0 | 8.4 | 100.0 | 1,042 |
| Current relationship status |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Married | 46.3 | 34.1 | 14.1 | 2.1 | 3.4 | 100.0 | 1,441 |
| Common law union | 46.0 | 34.5 | 13.9 | 3.0 | 2.5 | 100.0 | 2,158 |
| Visiting relationship | 47.5 | 34.0 | 14.0 | 2.5 | 2.0 | 100.0 | 2,279 |
| Boyfriend with sex | 44.6 | 30.8 | 17.6 | 1.9 | 5.1 | 100.0 | 281 |
| Boyfriend without sex | 32.1 | 27.9 | 15.6 | 3.6 | 20.8 | 100.0 | 197 |
| No steady relationship | 39.5 | 30.0 | 13.3 | 1.4 | 15.8 | 100.0 | 1,903 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Currently in union | 46.8 | 34.2 | 14.0 | 2.6 | 2.5 | 100.0 | 5,878 |
| Previously in union | 45.7 | 34.9 | 13.0 | 2.0 | 4.3 | 100.0 | 1,344 |
| Never in union | 32.7 | 24.7 | 15.1 | 1.3 | 26.2 | 100.0 | 1,037 |
| No. of children born alive |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0 | 42.6 | 29.0 | 13.2 | 1.7 | 13.5 | 100.0 | 2,208 |
| 1 | 47.4 | 33.3 | 14.4 | 2.3 | 2.7 | 100.0 | 1,707 |
| 2 | 48.8 | 33.1 | 13.1 | 2.3 | 2.6 | 100.0 | 1,632 |
| 3 | 43.3 | 37.7 | 14.7 | 1.4 | 2.9 | 100.0 | 1,110 |
| 4 or more | 40.0 | 36.3 | 15.8 | 4.1 | 3.8 | 100.0 | 1,602 |
| Education level (in years)* |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-9 | 38.4 | 33.2 | 16.3 | 3.5 | 8.5 | 100.0 | 2,183 |
| 10-12 | 44.2 | 33.7 | 13.9 | 2.0 | 6.1 | 100.0 | 5,078 |
| 13 or more | 55.5 | 28.1 | 10.6 | 1.5 | 4.4 | 100.0 | 995 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 40.9 | 34.0 | 16.0 | 3.9 | 5.2 | 100.0 | 2,001 |
| Second | 43.8 | 33.8 | 14.4 | 2.5 | 5.4 | 100.0 | 1,716 |
| Middle | 40.9 | 36.4 | 13.6 | 2.1 | 7.1 | 100.0 | 1,668 |
| Fourth | 45.6 | 31.9 | 14.2 | 1.7 | 6.6 | 100.0 | 1,650 |
| Highest | 50.9 | 28.3 | 11.7 | 1.3 | 7.8 | 100.0 | 1,224 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0 | 29.3 | 24.5 | 14.8 | 1.2 | 30.2 | 100.0 | 817 |
| 1 | 48.9 | 33.2 | 12.0 | 1.8 | 4.1 | 100.0 | 1,425 |
| 2-3 | 45.4 | 36.6 | 13.1 | 2.5 | 2.3 | 100.0 | 3,215 |
| 4 or more | 47.5 | 31.2 | 16.1 | 2.8 | 2.4 | 100.0 | 2,353 |
| * Less than 25 cases | 42.6 | 33.0 | 14.6 | 2.6 | 7.2 | 100.0 | 449 |
| Ever used condoms |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| No | 31.1 | 29.6 | 14.3 | 2.6 | 22.3 | 100.0 | 1,731 |
| Yes | 48.5 | 33.8 | 13.9 | 2.2 | 1.6 | 100.0 | 6,528 |
| Currently using condoms |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| No | 42.2 | 33.1 | 14.4 | 2.5 | 7.8 | 100.0 | 6,703 |
| Yes | 53.7 | 31.8 | 12.2 | 1.5 | 0.9 | 100.0 | 1,556 |

Excludes 3 women with missing information.


[^54]| Table 8.3.3A <br> Opinions on the Level of Health Risk Associated with Using the Condom among Women Aged 15-49 Years by Selected Characteristics <br> Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Characteristic | Level of Health Risk Associated with Using the Condom |  |  |  |  | Total | No. of Cases |
|  | Very Safe | Safe | Somewhat Safe | Not Safe | Does Not Know |  |  |
| Total | 29.9 | 39.9 | 18.1 | 4.9 | 7.3 | 100.0 | 8,259 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 25.6 | 44.1 | 13.4 | 3.9 | 13.1 | 100.0 | 1,198 |
| Other urban | 34.4 | 38.6 | 17.9 | 4.4 | 4.6 | 100.0 | 2,283 |
| Rural | 28.0 | 39.1 | 20.4 | 5.7 | 6.8 | 100.0 | 4,778 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 29.1 | 39.5 | 16.7 | 5.1 | 9.7 | 100.0 | 2,340 |
| 2 | 42.1 | 31.7 | 16.8 | 4.4 | 5.1 | 100.0 | 1,761 |
| 3 | 27.5 | 45.5 | 19.2 | 2.5 | 5.3 | 100.0 | 2,313 |
| 4 | 26.5 | 40.5 | 20.6 | 7.0 | 5.5 | 100.0 | 1,845 |
| Parish |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston | 18.3 | 41.2 | 22.0 | 6.6 | 11.9 | 100.0 | 644 |
| St. Andrew | 25.9 | 44.6 | 12.0 | 4.0 | 13.5 | 100.0 | 636 |
| St. Thomas | 5.5 | 46.8 | 31.9 | 6.5 | 9.4 | 100.0 | 504 |
| Portland | 28.4 | 35.8 | 25.3 | 6.7 | 3.8 | 100.0 | 516 |
| St. Mary | 49.8 | 22.6 | 16.7 | 5.2 | 5.7 | 100.0 | 542 |
| St. Ann | 42.0 | 36.9 | 13.2 | 2.8 | 5.2 | 100.0 | 703 |
| Trelawny | 51.7 | 30.9 | 12.1 | 0.3 | 5.0 | 100.0 | 516 |
| St. James | 16.1 | 55.3 | 18.4 | 3.7 | 6.5 | 100.0 | 635 |
| Hanover | 37.8 | 32.9 | 19.0 | 2.3 | 8.0 | 100.0 | 541 |
| Westmoreland | 23.5 | 47.5 | 24.0 | 2.4 | 2.6 | 100.0 | 621 |
| St. Elizabeth | 25.8 | 40.5 | 18.5 | 9.4 | 5.8 | 100.0 | 528 |
| Manchester | 27.5 | 45.1 | 15.6 | 6.8 | 5.0 | 100.0 | 668 |
| Clarendon | 26.0 | 36.4 | 26.5 | 5.5 | 5.7 | 100.0 | 649 |
| St. Catherine | 37.5 | 33.2 | 18.1 | 5.6 | 5.6 | 100.0 | 556 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 24.2 | 33.5 | 17.0 | 4.1 | 21.1 | 100.0 | 1,229 |
| 20-24 | 35.1 | 37.0 | 19.6 | 4.2 | 4.0 | 100.0 | 1,114 |
| 25-29 | 33.6 | 40.1 | 17.6 | 5.8 | 2.9 | 100.0 | 1,350 |
| 30-34 | 29.8 | 44.2 | 16.7 | 6.3 | 3.0 | 100.0 | 1,219 |
| 35-39 | 29.0 | 44.4 | 17.1 | 5.3 | 4.1 | 100.0 | 1,221 |
| 40-44 | 28.6 | 41.7 | 20.6 | 4.2 | 4.9 | 100.0 | 1,084 |
| 45-49 | 28.2 | 41.4 | 18.5 | 3.8 | 8.1 | 100.0 | 1,042 |
| Current relationship status |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Married | 30.4 | 42.7 | 18.1 | 4.5 | 4.3 | 100.0 | 1,441 |
| Common law union | 30.0 | 42.1 | 19.3 | 5.8 | 2.9 | 100.0 | 2,158 |
| Visiting relationship | 34.7 | 40.1 | 17.6 | 5.5 | 2.1 | 100.0 | 2,279 |
| Boyfriend with sex | 22.6 | 47.3 | 20.4 | 5.4 | 4.3 | 100.0 | 281 |
| Boyfriend without sex | 20.8 | 34.2 | 12.5 | 7.6 | 25.0 | 100.0 | 197 |
| No steady relationship | 25.5 | 35.8 | 17.7 | 3.1 | 17.9 | 100.0 | 1,903 |
| Marital status |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Currently in union | 32.2 | 41.3 | 18.3 | 5.4 | 2.8 | 100.0 | 5,878 |
| Previously in union | 29.2 | 45.3 | 17.5 | 4.3 | 3.6 | 100.0 | 1,344 |
| Never in union | 20.1 | 28.2 | 17.6 | 3.2 | 31.0 | 100.0 | 1,037 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0 | 29.8 | 34.2 | 16.2 | 3.9 | 15.9 | 100.0 | 2,208 |
| 1 | 30.6 | 42.7 | 18.1 | 5.8 | 2.7 | 100.0 | 1,707 |
| 2 | 33.3 | 41.8 | 18.1 | 4.5 | 2.2 | 100.0 | 1,632 |
| 3 | 26.3 | 48.6 | 17.6 | 4.3 | 3.2 | 100.0 | 1,110 |
| 4 or more | 27.7 | 39.4 | 22.2 | 6.5 | 4.3 | 100.0 | 1,602 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-9 | 25.1 | 37.0 | 20.7 | 6.4 | 10.7 | 100.0 | 2,183 |
| 10-12 | 30.5 | 40.4 | 17.7 | 4.8 | 6.7 | 100.0 | 5,078 |
| 13 or more | 35.0 | 42.7 | 15.4 | 2.8 | 4.2 | 100.0 | 995 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 28.8 | 38.0 | 21.1 | 6.3 | 5.7 | 100.0 | 2,001 |
| Second | 27.2 | 37.3 | 22.4 | 6.8 | 6.3 | 100.0 | 1,716 |
| Middle | 28.5 | 41.3 | 16.5 | 4.3 | 9.4 | 100.0 | 1,668 |
| Fourth | 30.3 | 40.8 | 16.9 | 5.0 | 7.0 | 100.0 | 1,650 |
| Highest | 34.3 | 42.1 | 13.5 | 2.1 | 8.0 | 100.0 | 1,224 |
| No. of lifetime sexual partners |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0 | 18.5 | 25.9 | 16.7 | 2.6 | 36.4 | 100.0 | 817 |
| 1 | 34.8 | 40.0 | 15.2 | 5.8 | 4.2 | 100.0 | 1,425 |
| 2-3 | 31.7 | 42.5 | 18.4 | 4.6 | 2.7 | 100.0 | 3,215 |
| 4 or more | 28.9 | 42.8 | 20.1 | 6.1 | 2.1 | 100.0 | 2,353 |
| * Less than 25 cases | 31.6 | 40.2 | 18.2 | 3.0 | 7.0 | 100.0 | 449 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| No | 19.6 | 30.1 | 18.4 | 5.4 | 26.5 | 100.0 | 1,731 |
| Yes | 33.0 | 42.9 | 17.9 | 4.7 | 1.5 | 100.0 | 6,528 |
| Currently using condoms |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| No | 27.9 | 39.2 | 18.6 | 5.4 | 8.9 | 100.0 | 6,703 |
| Yes | 37.9 | 42.8 | 15.8 | 2.7 | 0.8 | 100.0 | 1,556 |

[^55]| Table 8.3.3B <br> Opinions on the Level of Health Risk Associated with Using the Condom among Men Aged 15-24 Years by Selected Characteristics Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Characteristic | Level of Health Risk Associated with Using the Condom |  |  |  |  | Total | No. of Cases |
|  | Very Safe | Safe | Somewhat <br> Safe | Not Safe | Does Not Know |  |  |
| Total | 33.7 | 43.2 | 15.8 | 1.5 | 5.8 | 100.0 | 2,775 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 29.6 | 41.8 | 21.0 | 2.5 | 5.2 | 100.0 | 380 |
| Other urban | 35.2 | 44.0 | 15.4 | 1.0 | 4.4 | 100.0 | 759 |
| Rural | 34.1 | 43.2 | 14.4 | 1.6 | 6.8 | 100.0 | 1,636 |
| Health region 1 | 34.7 | 37.8 | 18.8 | 2.1 | 6.6 | 100.0 | 789 |
| 2 | 34.5 | 40.5 | 16.3 | 0.5 | 8.1 | 100.0 | 552 |
| 3 | 26.1 | 55.3 | 14.6 | 0.3 | 3.7 | 100.0 | 775 |
| 4 | 39.6 | 40.4 | 12.1 | 2.6 | 5.4 | 100.0 | 659 |
| Age group |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 31.8 | 42.7 | 16.2 | 1.0 | 8.4 | 100.0 | 1,652 |
| 20-24 | 36.5 | 44.1 | 15.2 | 2.4 | 1.9 | 100.0 | 1,123 |
| Current relationship status |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Married/common law union | 43.1 | 41.5 | 12.8 | 1.4 | 1.2 | 100.0 | 162 |
| Visiting relationship | 41.6 | 39.2 | 14.8 | 2.4 | 1.9 | 100.0 | 554 |
| Girlfriend with sex | 34.4 | 46.4 | 16.0 | 1.5 | 1.7 | 100.0 | 829 |
| Girlfriend without sex | 30.0 | 44.7 | 18.1 | 0.9 | 6.3 | 100.0 | 410 |
| No steady relationship | 27.5 | 42.4 | 15.5 | 1.3 | 13.4 | 100.0 | 820 |
| Marital status |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Currently in union | 41.9 | 39.7 | 14.4 | 2.2 | 1.8 | 100.0 | 716 |
| Previously in union | 39.8 | 32.9 | 18.8 | 4.7 | 3.8 | 100.0 | 175 |
| Never in union | 29.9 | 45.6 | 16.0 | 1.0 | 7.5 | 100.0 | 1,884 |
| No. of live births |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0 | 33.7 | 43.0 | 15.7 | 1.5 | 6.1 | 100.0 | 2,583 |
| 1+ | 33.6 | 46.1 | 16.1 | 2.6 | 1.7 | 100.0 | 192 |
| Education level (in years)* |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-9 | 29.8 | 43.0 | 13.1 | 1.6 | 12.5 | 100.0 | 687 |
| 10-12 | 34.9 | 43.2 | 16.9 | 1.4 | 3.6 | 100.0 | 1,944 |
| 13 or more | 36.9 | 46.0 | 11.5 | 1.6 | 4.0 | 100.0 | 130 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 32.1 | 43.2 | 15.5 | 1.5 | 7.7 | 100.0 | 632 |
| Second | 34.6 | 43.8 | 13.9 | 1.3 | 6.5 | 100.0 | 620 |
| Middle | 31.4 | 44.5 | 17.7 | 0.6 | 5.7 | 100.0 | 512 |
| Fourth | 28.9 | 45.7 | 18.4 | 2.2 | 4.9 | 100.0 | 538 |
| Highest | 42.3 | 38.7 | 13.1 | 2.1 | 3.8 | 100.0 | 473 |
| No. of lifetime sexual partners |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0 | 23.8 | 40.4 | 17.1 | 1.0 | 17.6 | 100.0 | 714 |
| 1 | 32.7 | 46.0 | 16.5 | 0.7 | 4.2 | 100.0 | 243 |
| 2-3 | 42.0 | 43.2 | 11.9 | 1.3 | 1.6 | 100.0 | 421 |
| 4 or more | 37.3 | 42.7 | 16.5 | 2.2 | 1.3 | 100.0 | 1,281 |
| No response/refused | 24.4 | 59.7 | 12.6 | 0.0 | 3.3 | 100.0 | 116 |
| Ever used condoms |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| No | 23.4 | 41.9 | 16.5 | 1.1 | 17.1 | 100.0 | 770 |
| Yes | 37.6 | 43.8 | 15.5 | 1.7 | 1.5 | 100.0 | 2,005 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| No | 29.8 | 43.7 | 16.2 | 1.5 | 8.9 | 100.0 | 1,583 |
| Yes | 39.0 | 42.7 | 15.2 | 1.6 | 1.5 | 100.0 | 1,192 |

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## Chapter 9

## Contraceptive Sterilization: Use and Demand

Voluntary surgical contraception (VSC) is the most used method of fertility regulation in the world. It is estimated that about one in five women in union (20.3\%) and $2.3 \%$ of their partners were using VSC in 2009 (United Nations, 2009). In Jamaica, female contraceptive sterilization (tubal ligation) is used by $10 \%$ of women in union and is one of the leading methods of family planning among couples who desire smaller families. Based on information on the contraceptive practices of their partners provided by women in union, the number of Jamaican men who rely on vasectomy (male contraceptive sterilization) is negligible (less than 0.5\%). Although condoms and hormonal methods were traditionally the most used methods of contraception in Jamaica, contraceptive sterilization, which became more common during the 1980s, contributed greatly to the reduction of the average family size in Jamaica.

Figure 9.1.1
Contraceptive Prevalence and Sterilization Prevalence among Women in Union Aged 15-49 Years: Jamaica, 1993-2008


### 9.1 Characteristics of Sterilized Women

All the reproductive health surveys conducted in Jamaica asked respondents about sterilizing operations they or their current partners may have had. Survey data show that female sterilization is a common method of contraception in Jamaica, despite a declining trend. Its share of the method mix was $21 \%$ of women in union aged $15-49$ in 1983, peaked at $25 \%$ in 1989, and declined over the next two decades (19\% in 1997, 17\% in 2002 and 14\% in 2008), even as the contraceptive prevalence rate constantly increased (Figure 9.1.1). The decline in sterilization prevalence is probably due to the increased availability of long-acting and highly effective but reversible methods of contraception, particularly contraceptive injectables and implants. At the same time, the government made strong investments in public-sector family planning to increase the number of service delivery points, improve quality, and make a wide range of methods available free of charge in government health facilities, which may have lowered the need for contraceptive sterilization.

The demographic characteristics of women in union ages 15-44 years who were using female sterilization at the time of the survey are shown in Tables 9.1.1 and 9.1.2. There are some important differences in the background characteristics of sterilized and non-sterilized women. Female sterilization was more common among older women, presumably after they had completed the desired family size. Virtually all married women who were using female sterilization at the time of the survey were older than 24 years of age and the prevalence of the method increased rapidly with age: $6.4 \%$ of sterilized women were aged $25-29$ years, $21.8 \%$ were $30-34$ year olds, $30.0 \%$ were aged $35-39$, and $40 \%$ were older than 40 years of age. The distribution of users by place of residence did not differ significantly from the urban-rural distribution of non-sterilized women (data not shown). However, the distribution pattern by health region was notably different, showing that more sterilization users reside in Health Region 1 and fewer reside in Health Region 4, when compared with the distribution of women in union by region.

Sterilized women tend to be in more stable union relationships than non-sterilized women in union. Almost half (48.5\%) of the sterilized women aged 15-44 years were legally married, $28 \%$ had common-law partners and $23 \%$ were in visiting partnerships. Conversely, one in two (2) non-sterilized women (49.3\%) was in a visiting relationship whereas only $16.6 \%$ of them were legally married. In terms of the education background, the majority of sterilization users have either a primary (34.1\%) or a secondary education (48.6\%), which is not significantly different from the educational attainment of the women who have not been sterilized (18.9\% and 67.9\%, respectively). Differences in attending church on a regular basis (at least once per month) were also noticeable between the two groups. Sterilized women were more likely to attend church regularly than women who were not sterilized-61.7\% versus 43.8\%.

Figure 9.1.2
Trends in the Age at Sterilization Procedure Women in Union Aged 15-44 Years: Jamaica, 1989-2008


A woman's age and her number of children born alive are important factors in the decision to use female sterilization. Worldwide, prevalence of female sterilization increases with age and number of children born alive. The mean age at the time of the sterilization procedure among Jamaican women remained constant around 31 years of age in 2008 (Table 9.1.2). Two thirds (66.7\%) of the women in union had undertaken procedures when they were aged 25-29 or 3034 years, and $22.2 \%$ when they were 35 years or older. The same pattern can be observed in previous rounds of the RHS in Jamaica (Figure 9.1.2).

The mean number of children born alive among users and non-users of sterilization is shown by the current age in Table 9.1.3. As expected, the total number of live born children increased with age among both sterilized and non-sterilized women. However, women who were sterilized at the time of the survey had a consistently higher number of children born alive than nonusers, at any given age. Accordingly, users of female sterilization had, on average, 4.3 children by age 45-49 years, compared to 3.1 children among those not sterilized. Sterilized women in union had, on average, one child more than women in union using other or no methods (4.3 vs. 3.4 children, respectively) (Figure 9.1.3). The pattern is similar to the one observed in previous surveys, but the mean number of live births among currently sterilized women had gradually declined,

Figure 9.1.3
Mean Number of Children by Current Age among Sterilized and Non-sterilized Women in Union Aged 15-49 Years: Jamaica, 2008

reaching in 2008 the lowest level ever recorded in Jamaica ( 3.9 children per woman). For example, the mean number of children among sterilized women in union in 2008 was almost one child less than the 1989 figure of 4.7 children.

### 9.2 Satisfaction with Sterilization

Since sterilization is one of the major methods of contraception used in Jamaica, particularly by older women with 4 or more children, it is important to assess the level of satisfaction with the procedure (i.e. sterilization regrets) among users (Table 9.2).

Overall, $8.7 \%$ of women aged 15-49 years expressed dissatisfaction with the method and regretted choosing it, a slight increase from 2002 and 1997 (Figure 9.2). Sterilization regrets were inversely correlated with the age at the time of undertaking the surgical procedure. Among women who were less than 30 years old at the time of the surgery, $13.5 \%$ were dissatisfied with their decision. Women who were aged 30-34 years or older at the time of the

Figure 9.2
Trends in Sterilization Regrets among Sterilized Women Aged 15-49 Years: Jamaica, 1993-2008

procedure were far less likely to be dissatisfied than those who obtained early sterilizations (5.1\% for 30-35 and 6.5\% for older).

Receipt of pre-sterilization counseling was strongly correlated with satisfaction with the sterilization procedure. Women who did not receive pre-sterilization counseling were almost three times more likely to be dissatisfied compared to women who had pre-sterilization counseling ( $16.5 \%$ vs. $6.2 \%$ ). Dissatisfaction was slightly higher among women in Kingston and other urban areas ( $8.9 \%$ and $10.3 \%$, respectively) than among rural women ( $7.2 \%$ ), and higher among women in common-law unions (11.7\%) and among those with the lowest education level. Place of the sterilization procedure (i.e. public hospital or other healthcare facility) did not have any impact on the level of dissatisfaction.

### 9.3 Interest in Sterilization

The Reproductive Health Surveys conducted in Jamaica in recent decades have also included information on the intention to use sterilization in the future. The questions were asked differently for women who wanted no more children at the time of the interview and for those who had not yet completed their desired family size. Overall, the interest in sterilization seems to be falling among both groups of women, consistent with falling levels of using the method (Figure 9.3).

Among fecund women who do not want to have more children, $18.2 \%$ said they would be interested in obtaining a sterilization procedure (Table 9.3.1). Interest in sterilization was the lowest among residents of Kingston, women aged 45-49 years, women not currently in a steady relationship, childless women, and women with the highest education or wealth status of their households. The highest interest in sterilization was reported by women currently in legal or common-law unions, women with three or more children born alive, those with 0-9 years of schooling, and those residing in households with low wealth status.


Interest in sterilization among women who said they might want to have more children was slightly lower than among women who want to stop childbearing (15.1\% vs. 18.2\%) (Table 9.3.2). Interest among these women had declined at a faster pace than among women who wanted no more children (Figure 9.3).

Generally, the variation of interest among women who wanted to continue childbearing by background characteristics was similar to that among women who wanted no more children. Interest in sterilization was the lowest among women residing in Kingston, young women, women who did not have a regular partner, and childless women. The highest interest was expressed by women residing in other urban areas, women aged 15-19 or 30-39 years, women who were married at the time of the survey(legal or common-law unions), and women with 3 or more children.

### 9.4 Reasons for Not Using Sterilization

Reasons for not being interested in sterilization among women who said they did not want to have any more children are important for projections of contraceptive needs (Table 9.4.1 and Figure 9.4, left panel). Because these reasons may be correlated to background characteristics, Table 9.4.1 presents main reasons by age group and education attainment.

Figure 9.4
Reasons for Not Wanting to Use Contraceptive Sterilization by Fertility Preferences among Women Aged 15-49: Jamaica, 2008



Women Who Want No More Children
Women Who Want Additional Children*

* Women were asked about their interest in sterilization after having all children intended

The most-cited reason why women who want no more children were not interested in sterilization were related to their age (either too young or too old), mentioned by $27 \%$ of women, followed by "fear of the surgery" (i.e. complications related to the surgical procedure or anesthesia) and fear of side effects after surgery, mentioned by $25 \%$. Women who want no more children were also hesitant to use sterilization because they preferred other contraceptive methods ( $16 \%$ ). Other common reasons given by these women were uncertainty about future fertility preferences (i.e. "might want another child"), mentioned by $11 \%$ of women, or were partner-related (i.e. "not currently sexually active" or "partner's opposition" to female sterilization). Younger women were more likely to state reasons related to fear of surgery and concerns they may want more children after sterilization, whereas older women were more likely to mention age-related reasons, partner-related reasons, and preference for other methods. The correlates of not wanting sterilization with education were less clear. The reasons "too young", "too old", and fear of surgery or health risks were mentioned more often by less educated women, while concerns they "might want another child" were more often expressed by the most educated women.

Table 9.4.2 and Figure 9.4, right panel presents the main reasons why women who want or might want more children are not interested in being sterilized after they complete their desired family size. As expected, age-related reasons were most often mentioned, since these women were more likely to be younger than women who want no more children. The reasons "might want another child," fear of surgery or post-surgery side-effects, and intention to use another contraceptive method accounted for the majority of reasons.

| Table 9.1.1 <br> Characteristics of Women in Union Aged 15-44 Years* and <br> Characteristics of Sterilized and Non-Sterilized Women in Union Aged 15-44 Years <br> (Percent Distribution) <br> Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 1993-2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 2008 |  |  | 2002 |  |  | 1997 |  |  | 1993 |  |  |
| Characteristic | Total | Sterilized | Not Sterilized | Total | Sterilized | Not Sterilized | Total | Sterilized | $\begin{gathered} \text { Not } \\ \text { Sterilized } \end{gathered}$ | Total | Sterilized | $\begin{gathered} \text { Not } \\ \text { Sterilized } \end{gathered}$ |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 20-24 | 20.2 | 0.9 | 21.9 | 17.4 | 0.7 | 19.1 | 20.7 | 1.8 | 22.9 | 23.2 | 0.9 | 26.4 |
| $25-29$ | 20.6 | 6.4 | 21.9 | 18.8 | 4.6 | 20.2 | 23.5 | 6.4 | 25.5 | 23.0 | 12.3 | 24.5 |
| $30-34$ | 20.1 | 21.8 | 19.9 | 19.9 | 17.7 | 20.1 | 22.7 | 19.4 | 18.5 | 19.0 | 21.0 | 18.8 |
| $35-39$ | 17.9 | 30.0 | 16.8 | 17.9 | 34.5 | 16.1 | 16.1 | 30.3 | 14.4 | 15.3 | 32.7 | 12.8 |
| 40-44 | 13.6 | 40.9 | 11.1 | 15.9 | 42.5 | 13.1 | 10.3 | 38.8 | 6.9 | 8.5 | 33.1 | 5.0 |
| No. of live births |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0 | 21.3 | 0.6 | 23.1 | 20.1 | 0.3 | 22.2 | 17.6 | 1.4 | 20.4 | 17.6 | 0.2 | 20.1 |
| 1 | 27.0 | 0.9 | 29.3 | 24.0 | 1.7 | 26.4 | 25.4 | 2.4 | 29.0 | 24.6 | 0.3 | 28.1 |
| 2 | 21.9 | 22.1 | 21.8 | 21.4 | 16.0 | 22.0 | 21.0 | 15.4 | 22.2 | 21.2 | 11.3 | 22.6 |
| 3 | 13.6 | 23.6 | 12.7 | 15.0 | 28.3 | 13.6 | 14.5 | 23.4 | 13.6 | 15.0 | 25.1 | 13.6 |
| 4 or more | 16.2 | 52.8 | 13.0 | 19.4 | 53.7 | 15.8 | 21.5 | 57.4 | 14.9 | 21.7 | 63.1 | 15.6 |
| Relationship status |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Married | 19.2 | 48.5 | 16.6 | 25.1 | 52.5 | 22.2 | 20.8 | 46.1 | 17.8 | 19.1 | 47.1 | 15.2 |
| Common law | 33.6 | 28.3 | 34.0 | 29.0 | 28.1 | 29.1 | 34.9 | 32.9 | 35.1 | 34.8 | 30.2 | 35.4 |
| Visiting partner | 47.2 | 23.2 | 49.3 | 44.9 | 19.4 | 48.6 | 44.3 | 21.0 | 47.1 | 46.1 | 22.7 | 49.4 |
| Years of education |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-9 years | 20.1 | 34.1 | 18.9 | 6.5 | 9.1 | 6.2 | 32.3 | 47.2 | 30.5 | $\dagger$ | $\dagger$ | $\dagger$ |
| 10-12 years | 66.3 | 48.6 | 67.9 | 32.3 | 38.2 | 31.7 | 55.6 | 41.7 | 57.2 | $\dagger$ | $\dagger$ | $\dagger$ |
| 13 or more years | 13.5 | 17.3 | 13.2 | 60.1 | 51.4 | 61.1 | 12.1 | 11.2 | 12.3 | $\dagger$ | $\dagger$ | $\dagger$ |
| Socio economic status |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Low | 34.9 | 34.5 | 38.5 | 21.1 | 24.9 | 20.7 | 31.5 | 36.1 | 30.9 | $\dagger$ | $\dagger$ | $\dagger$ |
| Medium | 33.2 | 33.6 | 29.2 | 44.6 | 44.8 | 44.5 | 33.3 | 31.3 | 33.6 | $\dagger$ | $\dagger$ | $\dagger$ |
| High | 31.9 | 31.9 | 32.3 | 34.3 | 30.3 | 34.7 | 35.2 | 32.6 | 35.5 | $\dagger$ | $\dagger$ | $\dagger$ |
| Frequency of church attendance |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| At least weekly | 26.4 | 38.3 | 25.3 | 32.4 | 47.9 | 30.7 | 24.4 | 40.6 | 22.5 | 21.8 | 35.4 | 19.9 |
| At least monthly | 18.9 | 23.4 | 18.5 | 19.8 | 18.4 | 19.9 | 19.3 | 17.2 | 19.5 | 14.0 | 13.7 | 14.1 |
| < Once/month | 14.8 | 11.9 | 15.0 | 14.5 | 10.5 | 14.9 | 15.1 | 11.6 | 15.6 | 45.4 | 36.9 | 46.6 |
| Special occasions | 26.4 | 15.5 | 27.4 | 24.2 | 17.1 | 25.0 | 28.7 | 21.7 | 29.5 | 12.4 | 9.8 | 12.7 |
| Never | 13.4 | 10.9 | 13.6 | 7.9 | 4.5 | 8.3 | 11.9 | 8.6 | 12.3 | 4.9 | 3.2 | 5.2 |
| Mean number of live births | 1.7 | 4.0 | 1.6 | 2.1 | 3.9 | 1.9 | 2.1 | 4.1 | 1.9 | 2.2 | 4.3 | 1.9 |
| Total | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| No. of Cases | 5,121 | 425 | 4,696 | 4,757 | 479 | 4,278 | 4,351 | 474 | 3,877 | 2,284 | 277 | 2,007 |

* Women over the age of 44 are excluded from the analysis to make the data comparable with the data from the 1993 survey, which did not include the 45-49 age group.
$\dagger$ Education and socio-economic index were measured differently in 1993, so comparisons with 1997are not possible.

Table 9.1.2


[^57]| Table 9.1.3 <br> Mean Number of Children Born Alive among Sterilized and Non-Sterilized Women Aged 15-49 Years by Current Age Group <br> Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 and 2002 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Age group | All Women |  |  | Women in Union |  |  |
|  | Sterilized | Non-Sterilized | No. of Cases | Sterilized | Non-Sterilized | No. of Cases |
|  | Mean | Mean |  | Mean | Mean |  |
| 15-29 | 3.3 | 0.7 | 3,693 | 3.3 | 1.0 | 2,325 |
| 30-39 | 3.9 | 2.2 | 2,440 | 3.9 | 2.3 | 1,978 |
| 40-44 | 3.7 | 3.0 | 1,084 | 3.6 | 3.0 | 818 |
| 45-49 | 4.3 | 3.1 | 1,042 | 4.3 | 3.4 | 757 |
| Total | 3.9 | 1.5 | 8,259 | 3.9 | 1.9 | 5,878 |
|  | 2002 |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-29 | 3.2 | 0.8 | 3,067 | 3.3 | 1.1 | 2,029 |
| 30-39 | 3.9 | 2.4 | 2,152 | 3.9 | 2.5 | 1,699 |
| 40-44 | 4.0 | 3.2 | 718 | 4.0 | 3.3 | 550 |
| 45-49 | 4.6 | 3.2 | 482 | 4.7 | 3.2 | 324 |
| Total | 4.1 | 1.7 | 6,419 | 4.1 | 2.4 | 4,602 |


| Table 9.2 <br> Percentage of Contraceptively Sterilized Women Aged 15-49 Years Who Were Not Satisfied With the Sterilization Procedure by Selected Characteristics Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | All Women Aged 15-49 Years |  |
| Characteristic | \% | No. of Cases |
| Total | 8.7 | 760 |
| Residence |  |  |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 8.9 | 94 |
| Other urban | 10.3 | 224 |
| Rural | 7.2 | 442 |
| Age at sterilization* |  |  |
| <30 | 13.5 | 274 |
| 30-34 | 5.1 | 227 |
| 35 or more | 6.5 | 253 |
| Relationship status |  |  |
| Married | 7.1 | 307 |
| Common law union | 11.7 | 204 |
| Visiting relationship | 8.6 | 136 |
| No steady relationship | 9.0 | 113 |
| Education level (in years) ${ }^{\dagger}$ |  |  |
| 0-9 | 10.9 | 318 |
| 10-12 | 6.9 | 367 |
| 13 or more | 8.5 | 74 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |
| Lowest | 8.7 | 227 |
| Second | 14.0 | 154 |
| Middle | 2.7 | 133 |
| Fourth | 9.8 | 133 |
| Highest | 7.4 | 113 |
| Pre-sterilization counseling |  |  |
| Yes | 6.2 | 545 |
| No | 16.5 | 179 |
| Does not remember | 10.3 | 36 |
| Place of sterilization |  |  |
| Public hospital | 8.7 | 712 |
| Other | 8.9 | 48 |

* Excludes 6 women who did not remember the age at sterilization.
$\dagger$ Excludes 1 woman with missing information on education attainment.

Table 9.3.1
Interest in Female Sterilization among Fecund Women Aged 15-49 Years Who Do Not Want Any More Children
by Selected Characteristics
Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008

| Characteristic | \% Interested in Female <br> Sterilization | No. of Cases |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Total | $\mathbf{1 8 . 2}$ | 3,669 |
| Residence |  |  |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 15.2 | 506 |
| Other urban | 18.3 | 980 |
| Rural | 19.4 | 2,183 |
| Age group | 17.1 | 115 |
| 15-19 | 17.2 | 319 |
| $20-24$ | 18.7 | 586 |
| $25-29$ | 27.0 | 651 |
| 30-34 | 17.3 | 763 |
| 35-39 | 16.3 | 686 |
| 40-44 | 8.9 | 549 |
| 45-49 |  |  |
| Relationship status | 23.2 | 724 |
| Married | 21.1 | 1,104 |
| Common law union | 16.9 | 1,030 |
| Visiting relationship | 12.5 | 811 |
| No steady relationship | 7.6 | 210 |
| No. of live births | 12.8 | 666 |
| 0 | 15.4 | 1,062 |
| 1 | 24.2 | 749 |
| 2 | 23.9 | 982 |
| 3 |  |  |
| 4 or more | 20.4 | 1,098 |
| Education level (in years) | 2,214 |  |
| 0-9 | 17.6 | 356 |
| 10-12 | 16.0 |  |
| 13 or more | 20.2 | 1,042 |
| Wealth quintile | 23.0 | 810 |
| Lowest | 16.9 | 745 |
| Second | 17.0 | 624 |
| Middle | 12.0 | 448 |
| Fourth |  |  |
| Highest |  |  |
|  |  |  |


| Table 9.3.2 <br> Interest in Female Sterilization after Completing the Desired Family Size among Fecund Women Aged 15-49 Years Who Want or Might Want More Children by Selected Characteristics Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Characteristic | \% Interested in Female Sterilization | No. of Cases |
| Total | 15.1 | 2,650 |
| Residence |  |  |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 12.4 | 383 |
| Other urban | 16.9 | 790 |
| Rural | 14.8 | 1,477 |
| Age group |  |  |
| 15-19 | 17.7 | 439 |
| 20-24 | 13.6 | 718 |
| 25-29 | 14.1 | 677 |
| 30-34 | 16.9 | 434 |
| 35-39 | 16.7 | 252 |
| 40-44 | 8.8 | 93 |
| 45-49 | 11.2 | 37 |
| Relationship status |  |  |
| Married | 22.2 | 285 |
| Common law union | 13.2 | 736 |
| Visiting relationship | 16.3 | 1,039 |
| No steady relationship | 12.5 | 590 |
| No. of live births |  |  |
| 0 | 12.5 | 1,083 |
| 1 | 15.4 | 942 |
| 2 | 19.1 | 379 |
| 3 | 25.8 | 145 |
| 4 or more | 22.6 | 101 |
| Education level (in years) |  |  |
| 0-9 | 15.0 | 402 |
| 10-12 | 15.5 | 1,797 |
| 13 or more | 13.9 | 451 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |
| Lowest | 18.4 | 526 |
| Second | 14.3 | 529 |
| Middle | 16.3 | 553 |
| Fourth | 14.0 | 592 |
| Highest | 13.3 | 450 |


| Table 9.4.1 <br> Most Commonly Cited Reasons for Not Being Interested in Female Sterilization among Fecund Women Aged 15-49 Years Who Do Not Want Any More Children by Age Group and Education Level Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Total | Age Group |  |  | Education Level (In Years)* ${ }^{*}$ |  |  |
| Reason |  | 15-24 | 25-34 | 35-49 | 0-9 | 10-12 | 13 or More |
| Prefers (or uses) other contraceptive methods | 15.7 | 10.6 | 17.5 | 16.1 | 13.1 | 16.9 | 15.1 |
| Fear of operation (surgery or anesthesia) | 15.5 | 47.9 | 21.6 | 3.0 | 12.0 | 17.0 | 15.1 |
| Too young | 15.4 | 8.8 | 16.4 | 16.7 | 20.2 | 14.8 | 7.6 |
| Too old (approaching menopause) | 11.8 | 0.1 | 0.7 | 21.7 | 14.3 | 10.5 | 14.0 |
| Might want another child | 10.8 | 16.3 | 16.7 | 5.8 | 7.3 | 11.2 | 17.0 |
| Fear of health risks or side effects | 9.6 | 4.7 | 8.2 | 11.9 | 12.2 | 9.0 | 7.4 |
| Not currently sexually active | 7.0 | 2.9 | 3.5 | 10.3 | 7.5 | 6.9 | 6.5 |
| Partner opposes | 2.5 | 1.5 | 3.2 | 2.5 | 1.4 | 3.1 | 2.1 |
| Religious reasons | 2.1 | 0.7 | 2.7 | 2.1 | 1.6 | 2.5 | 1.0 |
| Thinking about it | 2.1 | 0.4 | 2.2 | 2.4 | 2.3 | 1.8 | 2.7 |
| Does not believe in operation | 1.0 | 1.0 | 0.8 | 1.2 | 1.4 | 0.6 | 2.4 |
| Lack of information about the method or where to obtain it | 0.4 | 0.3 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.0 |
| Cost/Lack of money to pay for it | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.4 | 0.5 | 0.1 | 0.0 |
| Doctor refused to do the operation/advised against | 0.2 | 0.4 | 0.3 | 0.1 | 0.6 | 0.1 | 0.0 |
| Plans for her/partner to have sterilization soon | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.0 |
| Medical facility too far away | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.0 |
| Other | 3.2 | 1.7 | 3.0 | 3.6 | 3.1 | 2.9 | 4.6 |
| Does not know | 2.2 | 2.4 | 2.9 | 1.7 | 2.2 | 1.8 | 4.5 |
| Total | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| No. of Cases | 2,833 | 338 | 885 | 1,610 | 820 | 1,734 | 278 |


| Table 9.4.2 <br> Most Commonly Cited Reasons for Not Being Interested in Female Sterilization after Completing the Desired Family Size among Fecund Women Aged 15-49 Years Who Want or Might Want More Children by Age Group and Education Level Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Reason | Total | Age Group |  |  | Education Level (In Years) |  |  |
|  |  | 15-24 | 25-34 | 35-49 | 0-9 | 10-12 | 13 or More |
| Too young | 27.3 | 39.4 | 20.8 | 2.2 | 23.5 | 29.9 | 20.4 |
| Might want another child | 26.2 | 24.6 | 26.8 | 30.1 | 25.8 | 25.3 | 29.6 |
| Prefers (or uses) other contraceptive methods | 14.1 | 13.3 | 16.0 | 11.1 | 15.3 | 14.4 | 11.9 |
| Fear of operation (surgery or anesthesia) | 11.3 | 8.6 | 13.0 | 16.5 | 11.9 | 11.4 | 10.8 |
| Health risks/fear of side effects | 7.3 | 5.3 | 8.5 | 10.8 | 6.7 | 6.5 | 10.5 |
| Religious reasons | 2.7 | 1.7 | 2.8 | 6.6 | 2.0 | 2.8 | 2.9 |
| Partner opposes | 1.9 | 0.4 | 2.9 | 4.4 | 6.1 | 1.4 | 0.9 |
| Too old (approaching menopause) | 1.1 | 0.3 | 0.2 | 6.9 | 1.9 | 1.0 | 0.9 |
| Not sexually active/no partner | 1.1 | 0.6 | 1.1 | 3.1 | 1.1 | 0.8 | 2.4 |
| Does not believe in operation | 0.8 | 0.7 | 0.9 | 1.4 | 0.4 | 1.0 | 0.6 |
| Thinking about it | 0.4 | 0.7 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.4 | 0.9 |
| Medical facility too far away | 0.4 | 0.3 | 0.6 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.4 | 0.6 |
| Lack of information about the method or where to obtain it | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.3 |
| Cost/Lack of money to pay for it | 0.1 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.7 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Other | 2.6 | 2.4 | 2.8 | 2.7 | 2.0 | 2.3 | 4.2 |
| Does not know | 2.4 | 1.4 | 3.2 | 4.0 | 2.5 | 2.2 | 3.1 |
| Total | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| No. of Cases | 2,095 | 940 | 855 | 300 | 302 | 1,433 | 360 |

## Chapter 10

## Non-Use of Contraceptives

### 10.1 Reasons for Not Using a Contraceptive Method

Women of reproductive age mentioned a broad variety of reasons for not currently using contraception (Table 10.1.1). The reasons have been classified into two groups: the first group includes fertility-related reasons (e.g. being currently pregnant or postpartum, breast-feeding, not being fecund, and not currently being sexually active) and the second group covers userelated reasons and other factors that might prevent couples from using contraception.

Throughout the Reproductive Health Surveys, the majority of non-users was not using contraception because of fertility-related reasons. In 1993, women giving these reasons comprised $80.6 \%$ of all respondents; they represented $86 \%$ of women in $1997,85.2 \%$ in 2002, and $86.3 \%$ in 2008. Among fertility-related reasons, lack of current sexual activity was by far the most prevalent, ranging from $52.6 \%$ in 1993 to an all-time high of $59.3 \%$ in 2008 , followed by being currently pregnant (8.9\%). The third most mentioned reason in this category was related to fertility preferences. Eight percent of women in 2008 indicated that either they or their partner desired pregnancy, a decline from $12.4 \%$ in 1993, 10.6\% in 1997, and $8.5 \%$ in 2002. Fertility impairment was mentioned by $7.2 \%$ of women and there was little variation in the proportion of respondents giving this reason across the surveys.

Only $13.8 \%$ of women who were not using contraception at the time of the survey had reasons such as side effects or fear of them, partner opposition, dislike of contraception, or religious beliefs. The probability of not using for these other reasons in 2008 was the lowest since 1993. Among these reasons, past experience of side effects while using contraception (2.4\%) and fear of potential side effects ( $1.7 \%$ ) were the main reasons for not using contraceptive methods. Only $1.3 \%$ of the women stated that their husbands or partners objected to the use of contraception and less than one percent mentioned religious beliefs as contributing to their decision not to use a contraceptive method.

Reasons for non use differed sharply by the current relationship status (Table 10.1.2 and Figure 10.1.1). As would be expected, lack of current sexual activity was the least mentioned reason among women in legal, consensual or visiting unions, and was inversely related to the degree of stability of the relationship. Conversely, being pregnant was a common reason given by women in stable unions and interestingly, women in visiting relations were more likely to give this reason than women in legal and common-law unions ( $22.3 \%, 13.4 \%$, and $21.8 \%$ respectively).

Higher percentages of women in married or common law unions than among those in visiting unions indicated that they or their partner did not use contraception because they desired pregnancy. Women who mentioned sub-fecundity as the main reason for not using contraception were mostly in a stable union, which is likely due to an age-effect, since women in stable relationships tend to be older than women in no steady relationships.

Figure 10.1.1
Most Commonly Cited Reasons for Not Currently Using Contraception, by Current Relationship Status among All Women Aged 15-49 Years: Jamaica, 2008


All women aged 15-49 years who were using a contraceptive method during the 30 days prior to interview were asked: "Would you prefer to use a different method of family planning from the one you are currently using?" As shown in Table 10.1.3 and Figure 10.1.2, only 12.5\% of the women preferred to use a different method, indicating that $87.5 \%$ of the women were satisfied with their current method. The most frequently cited reasons women gave for not switching to the preferred method include "still thinking about it," "fear of side effects," and "access to or cost of" the preferred method (data not shown). The probability of wanting to use a different method was highest among women using withdrawal (21.1\%) (Figure 10.1.2). It should be noted that less than three percent of IUD users expressed a desire to use a different method. These findings are consistent with reports from women interviewed in the 2002 and 1997 Reproductive Health Surveys. As in the past, women whose partners were using withdrawal were the least satisfied with the method, although their perception of the acceptability of the method has improved recently. The IUD users, although very few, were the most satisfied with their current method.

## Figure 10.1.2

Desire to Use a Different Contraceptive Method, by Current Method among Women Aged 15-49 Years Who Are Currently Using Contraceptives: Jamaica, 1997-2008


The right panel of Table 10.1 .3 shows that the most preferred methods among women who desire to use different methods are the hormonal methods (the pill , injectables, and Norplant), followed by tubal ligation. Generally, pill users, were more likely to want to use injectables or Norplant, whereas users of injectables wanted to switch to the pill or Norplant. Most women whose partners were using condoms said they would prefer to use methods that were not coital-dependent, such as the pill or injectables. The same preference pattern was observed in previous surveys.

### 10.2 Need for Family Planning Services

Another way to look at contraceptive behaviors among couples is to define the contraceptive needs in relation to their fecundity and stated reproductive preferences. The sum of current contraceptive use (met need) and the additional contraceptive use that would be required to eliminate the risk of unintended pregnancies (unmet need) constitute the current demand for FP services, a useful concept applied in contraceptive logistics and monitoring and evaluation of service performance. As such, the unmet need for contraception is a very specific estimate that measures the gap between needed efforts to ensure that fertility preferences are met in a population and the contraceptive practices already adopted.

The conventional definition of unmet need includes women currently married or in consensual unions who are currently sexually active (within the past month), currently exposed to the risk of pregnancy (women not sexually active, currently pregnant women, and women in postpartum abstinence or amenorrhea are excluded), fecund (neither they nor their partners
have any subfecundity conditions), not wanting to become pregnant (at the time of the interview), and not using any form of pregnancy prevention. Alternatively, the formulation of unmet need can be extended to all women, not just those in union. Applying the latter definition to all Jamaican women aged 15-44 years, we found that only $7.2 \%$ of them had an unmet need for contraception (Table 10.2.1, Figure 10.2.1).


In addition to measuring the potential demand for family planning services, the RHS data allows for estimates of met and unmet need according to respondents' fertility preferences. Among respondents with potential demand for any contraception, $3 \%$ were non-users who did not want to get pregnant right away but wanted to have children sometime in the future (including those who were undecided whether to have children or not). These respondents were classified as having unmet need for spacing births and they represent 42\% of the unmet need (3\% of $7.2 \%=42 \%$ ). Respondents who did not want (any) more children but were not doing anything to prevent pregnancy (4.2\%) were considered to have an unmet need for limiting births. Therefore, slightly more than one half of unmet need in Jamaica ( $4.2 \%$ of $7.2 \%=58 \%$ ) is due to lack of use of contraception for limiting childbearing.

Figure 10.2.2
Trends in Unmet Need for Family Planning among All Women Aged 15-44 Years: Jamaica, 1993-2008


As a direct effect of the increased family planning efforts in Jamaica, the level of unmet need in 2008 represents the lowest ever documented in the country (Figure 10.2.2). The decline has been gradual, from a high of $13.7 \%$ of women aged $15-44$ in 1993 to $9.0 \%$ in 1997, $8.5 \%$ in 2002, and $7.2 \%$ in 2008. The highest percent change occurred between 1993 and 1997 (a $34 \%$ decline) and the second highest decline occurred between 2002 and 2008 (a 15\% decline).

Generally, the level of any unmet need is higher among married respondents, since they are more likely to be currently sexually active and have a higher risk of unintended pregnancy (Table 10.2.1). In Jamaica, for example, the unmet need for contraception is about $50 \%$ higher among women in stable unions than among women not currently in a steady relationship. Women in more stable relationships are also more likely to be older and have at least one living child; thus, closely related to the relationship status, levels of unmet need increased with age and the number of children born alive. Women with secondary education or lower levels of education had higher levels of unmet need than those with post-secondary education.

Regional levels of unmet need for any contraception among married women ranged from 6.5\% in Health Region 2 to $8.7 \%$ in Health Region 3 and from as low as 3.7\% in Hanover to 13.7\% in St. James (Table 10.2.2).

Table 10.1.1
Most Commonly Cited Reasons for Not Currently Using Contraceptive Methods among Women Aged 15-49 Years Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008, 2002, 1997, 1993

| Reason | $\mathbf{2 0 0 8}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 0 2}$ | 1997 | 1993 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Reasons related to pregnancy, sub-fecundity and sexual activity | 86.3 | 85.2 | 86.0 | 80.6 |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| Not currently sexually active | 59.3 | 56.4 | 58.0 | 52.6 |
| Currently pregnant | 8.9 | 9.3 | 7.8 | 5.7 |
| Respondent or partner desire pregnancy | 8.1 | 8.5 | 10.6 | 12.4 |
| Not Fecund | 7.2 | 9.6 | 7.4 | 8.3 |
| Postpartum or breastfeeding | 2.8 | 1.4 | 2.2 | 1.6 |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| Other Reasons | 13.8 | 14.8 | 14.0 | 19.3 |
| Experienced side effects/health concerns | 2.4 | 4.3 | 4.4 | 4.5 |
| Fear of side effects | 1.7 | 1.4 | 0.3 | 2.0 |
| Partner opposition | 1.3 | 0.7 | 0.0 |  |
| Respondent does not like contraception | 0.4 | 3.8 | 3.4 | 5.0 |
| Religious beliefs | 0.4 | 0.3 | 0.6 | 0.0 |
| Other | 7.6 | 4.3 | 3.4 | 7.8 |
|  |  | 100.0 | 100.0 |  |
| Total | 100.0 |  | 100.0 |  |
| No. of Cases | 3,617 | 3,151 | 2,978 | 1,530 |


| Table 10.1.2Most Commonly Cited Reasons for Not Currently Using Contraceptive Methods among Women Aged 15-49 Yearsby Residence and Marital StatusReproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Total | Residence |  |  | Current Relationship Status |  |  |  |  |  |
| Reason |  | Kingston <br> Metropolitan <br> Area | Other Urban | Rural | Married | Common Law Union | Visiting Relationship | Boyfriend With Sex | Boyfriend Without Sex | No Steady Relationship |
| Reasons related to pregnancy, sub-fecundity and sexual activity |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Not currently sexually active | 59.3 | 57.0 | 57.2 | 62.1 | 9.1 | 7.9 | 23.9 | 60.8 | 98.7 | 91.9 |
| Currently pregnant | 8.9 | 9.3 | 8.7 | 8.9 | 13.4 | 21.8 | 22.3 | 6.0 | 0.0 | 0.4 |
| Respondent or partner desire pregnancy | 8.1 | 8.8 | 9.5 | 6.6 | 21.2 | 19.7 | 13.5 | 5.3 | 0.6 | 1.3 |
| Not Fecund | 7.2 | 6.9 | 7.2 | 7.5 | 24.9 | 14.5 | 9.1 | 1.4 | 0.5 | 2.3 |
| Postpartum or breastfeeding | 2.8 | 3.4 | 2.1 | 3.1 | 4.0 | 6.3 | 7.6 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.2 |
| Other Reasons |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Experienced side effects/health concerns | 2.4 | 2.5 | 2.6 | 2.2 | 5.4 | 4.1 | 5.6 | 3.9 | 0.0 | 0.4 |
| Fear of side effects | 1.7 | 2.1 | 1.5 | 1.6 | 2.3 | 6.5 | 1.8 | 5.1 | 0.0 | 0.1 |
| Partner opposition | 1.3 | 0.4 | 2.0 | 1.1 | 3.1 | 3.0 | 2.8 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Respondent does not like contraception | 0.4 | 0.1 | 0.3 | 0.6 | 1.3 | 0.9 | 0.6 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Religious beliefs | 0.4 | 1.0 | 0.4 | 0.1 | 3.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 6.4 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Lack of access | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.2 | 0.3 | 0.5 | 0.3 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.1 |
| Other | 0.7 | 1.2 | 0.6 | 0.6 | 1.0 | 2.0 | 1.6 | 0.8 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Does not know/refused | 6.7 | 7.3 | 7.8 | 5.5 | 10.7 | 12.9 | 11.1 | 10.0 | 0.2 | 3.2 |
| Total | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| No. of Cases | 3,617 | 548 | 1,008 | 2,061 | 442 | 634 | 628 | 73 | 193 | 1,647 |



* No. of cases for current use of all methods is larger than the sum of users of selected methods because only the methods with 25 or more users appear in this table. $\dagger$ Less than 25 cases.

| Table 10.2.1 <br> Unmet Need for Family Planning Services among Women Aged 15-49 and 15-44 Years by Selected Characteristics <br> Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Women 15-49 Years |  | Women 15-44 Years |  |
| Characteristic | Unmet Need |  | Unmet Need |  |
|  | \% | No. of Cases | \% | No. of Cases |
| Total | 7.9 | 8,259 | 7.2 | 7,217 |
| Marital Status |  |  |  |  |
| Currently married | 9.5 | 1,441 | 9.4 | 1,082 |
| Common law | 11.6 | 2,158 | 10.9 | 1,959 |
| Visiting partner | 8.7 | 2,280 | 8.0 | 2,080 |
| Boyfriend | 4.3 | 475 | 4.3 | 466 |
| Not currently in a partnership | 3.6 | 1,905 | 2.6 | 1,630 |
| Age group |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 3.4 | 1,229 | 3.4 | 1,229 |
| 20-24 | 6.7 | 1,114 | 6.7 | 1,114 |
| 25-29 | 7.4 | 1,350 | 7.4 | 1,350 |
| 30-34 | 9.4 | 1,219 | 9.4 | 1,219 |
| 35-39 | 7.4 | 1,221 | 7.4 | 1,221 |
| 40-44 | 10.8 | 1,084 | 10.8 | 1,084 |
| 45-49 | 14.9 | 1,042 | NA | NA |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| 0 | 3.8 | 2,208 | 3.7 | 2,131 |
| 1 | 9.3 | 1,707 | 8.7 | 1,582 |
| 2 | 10.2 | 1,632 | 9.8 | 1,415 |
| 3 | 10.2 | 1,110 | 9.4 | 934 |
| 4+ | 10.1 | 1,602 | 9.0 | 1,155 |
| Years of Education* |  |  |  |  |
| 0-9 | 8.8 | 2,183 | 8.2 | 1,732 |
| 10-12 | 8.0 | 5,078 | 7.2 | 4,593 |
| 13+ | 5.9 | 995 | 5.9 | 890 |
| Employment status |  |  |  |  |
| Employed | 8.4 | 3,331 | 8.0 | 3079 |
| Unemployed | 7.5 | 4,928 | 6.7 | 4138 |
| Church attendance ${ }^{\dagger}$ |  |  |  |  |
| At least once a week | 7.4 | 2,856 | 6.7 | 2,344 |
| At least once a month | 7.7 | 1,417 | 7.2 | 1,256 |
| Less than once a month | 6.9 | 1,256 | 6.3 | 1,142 |
| Special occasions | 7.5 | 1,820 | 7.0 | 1,637 |
| Never | 11.7 | 892 | 10.4 | 822 |

[^58]| Table 10.2.2 <br> Unmet Need for Family Planning Services among Women Aged 15-49 and 15-44 Years by Residence, Health Region and Parish Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica 2008 |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Women 15-49 Years |  | Women 15-44 Years |  |
| Characteristic | Unmet Need |  | Unmet Need |  |
|  | \% | No. of Cases | \% | No. of Cases |
| Total | 7.9 | 8,259 | 7.2 | 7,217 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 9.0 | 1,198 | 8.5 | 1,027 |
| Other urban | 8.3 | 2,283 | 7.6 | 1,982 |
| Rural | 7.0 | 4,778 | 6.3 | 4,208 |
| Health region |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 8.4 | 2,340 | 7.7 | 2,024 |
| 2 | 6.5 | 1,761 | 6.2 | 1,532 |
| 3 | 8.7 | 2,313 | 7.7 | 2,029 |
| 4 | 6.9 | 1,845 | 6.3 | 1,632 |
| Parish |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston | 9.8 | 644 | 9.2 | 547 |
| St.Andrew | 7.9 | 636 | 7.5 | 552 |
| St.Thomas | 11.4 | 504 | 10.5 | 444 |
| Portland | 7.6 | 516 | 7.1 | 442 |
| St.Mary | 6.8 | 542 | 7.0 | 467 |
| St.Ann | 5.8 | 703 | 5.3 | 623 |
| Trelawny | 7.2 | 516 | 6.7 | 440 |
| St.James | 13.6 | 635 | 12.4 | 544 |
| Hanover | 3.7 | 541 | 2.5 | 484 |
| Westmoreland | 6.0 | 621 | 5.4 | 561 |
| St.Elizabeth | 7.9 | 528 | 7.3 | 474 |
| Manchester | 6.3 | 668 | 5.5 | 579 |
| Clarendon | 6.7 | 649 | 6.3 | 579 |
| St.Catherine | 8.1 | 556 | 7.2 | 481 |

## Chapter 11

## Health-Related Behaviors

Despite recent advancements in prevention, diagnosis and treatment, gynecologic malignancies continue to be leading causes of death in women of reproductive age in both the developed and developing world. Among reproductive system cancers, breast and cervical cancer are the most common. Chapter 11 includes information about preventive health practices, such as routine gynecologic exams, cervical cancer screening, and breast cancer screening (both breast selfexamination and clinical examination) among women aged 15-49 years. It also examines the prevalence of several common health problems, including diabetes, anemia, and high blood pressure among women. Health risk factors, including smoking and alcohol and drug use, were documented for both women aged 15-49 years and men aged 15-24 years.

### 11.1 Routine Gynecologic Visits

It is recommended that women have a routine gynecologic examination every year after age 18, or starting earlier if the woman is sexually experienced. Routine gynecologic exams are essential for all reproductive age women, and preventive screening practices (e.g., pap smear test, counseling for breast self-exams), counseling for family planning, and STD prevention, should be part of these exams. Table 11.1 shows that only $43.1 \%$ of women aged $15-49$ years had ever had a routine gynecologic exam, which is not different from the 2002 Survey that documented a prevalence of $43.0 \%$. Urban residence (including Kingston), residence in St. Ann and St. Catherine parishes, high educational and socioeconomic levels, being married, and having had sexual intercourse were associated with having had the exam. As expected, the proportion of women who have ever had a routine exam increased with age (from $11.6 \%$ among 15-19 year-olds, to $34 \%$ among 20-24 year-olds, and to over $58 \%$ among women aged 40 years or older). However, a substantial proportion of women approaching the end of the reproductive age span reported that they have never had a routine gynecologic exam.

Of those who had ever had a gynecologic exam, close to half (44.8\%) had had their last exam within 12 months of the interview, $23.1 \%$ had it $12-23$ months ago, and $12.6 \%$ were examined 24-35 months ago. The same characteristics—urban residence, high educational and socioeconomic levels, being married, and having had sexual intercourse-were also associated with having had a routine gynecologic exam within the last 12 months. Of those who have never had the exam, the most commonly reported reasons were "not necessary," which includes "doctor has not recommended" and "not currently or never sexually active" (60.8\%), followed
by "never thought of it" or "does not know why" (24.5\%) (data not shown). Teenagers (15-19 years) and women without sexual experience were most likely to mention "not necessary" as a reason.

A low frequency of routine gynecologic exams inevitably has an impact on early detection and treatment of the gynecologic cancers. Between 2002 and 2008, there was very little improvement in the prevalence of preventive Reproductive Health practices (Figure 11.1). Many deaths from breast and cervical cancer could be avoided by increasing access to cancer early detection and treatment services and by implementing public education and outreach strategies capable of reaching underserved women. Because health care referral is one of the most common means by which eligible women could hear about breast and cervical cancer screening, physicians who provide primarily gynecological services in a variety of health care settings need to have current knowledge about breast and cervical screening guidelines. Information materials geared toward health care professionals should update clinicians about screening services as well as how and where to refer patients.

Figure 11.1
Trends in Preventive Reproductive Health Practices among Women Aged 15-49 Years: Jamaica, 1997-2008


### 11.2 Cervical Cancer Screening

Cervical cancer is the second most common cancer of women. The major risk factors for cervical cancer include early age at initiation of sexual activity, multiple sexual partners, infection with human papilloma virus (HPV), and cigarette smoking. While primary prevention of cervical cancer focuses mainly on modification of sexual behavior, the newly introduced HPV vaccine, and eradication of cigarette smoking, secondary prevention occurs through screening, and using the Papanicolaou (Pap) test. Pap tests can find cervical cancer at an early stage, when it is most
curable, or even prevent the disease if precancerous lesions found during the test are treated. In the United States, experts recommend that women who are sexually active, or at least 18 years old, should have a Pap smear test at least once every three years. For resource-poor settings, the screening should target a core group of women aged $30-60$ years who should receive Pap smear screening at least every 3-5 years.

Table 11.2.1 shows that $62.4 \%$ of all women of reproductive age in Jamaica reported having had at least one Papanicolau (Pap) smear test, which is used for cervical cancer screening. This is only a slight increase from the 2002 figure of 58.9\%. Similar to the pattern found for gynecologic exams, urban residence including the KMA, older age, high educational and socioeconomic levels, having a marital partner, and having had a sexual experience were all associated with higher lifetime prevalence of Pap smear testing.

The same table shows that, of those who had ever had a Pap smear test, about one third ( $35.8 \%$ ) had it within 12 months before the interview, but $27.2 \%$ had it more than 36 months ago. Recent testing was associated with urban residence, young age, higher educational and socioeconomic levels, having a steady partner, and being sexually experienced. Of those who took a Pap smear test, $5.1 \%$ reported that they were told that they needed follow-up treatment (Table 11.2.2). Of these 276 women who needed treatment, $71.9 \%$ actually sought treatment. Of 206 women who sought treatment, $58.3 \%$ were given medicine in the forms of tablets, $10.6 \%$ were given medicinal creams, $20.4 \%$ were referred to clinic or special services, and 9.9\% repeated the Pap smear test (data not shown).

Figure 11.2
Most Commonly Cited Reasons for Never Having Had a Cervical Cancer Screening Test among Women Aged 15-49 Years


Figure 11.2 shows that the most commonly reported reason for not having a Pap smear test was the belief that it "was not necessary" (35.0\%), followed by "never thought of it" (20.2\%), and fear or embarrassment related to the pelvic exam (14.7\%). Nine percent of women reported that health providers never recommended the test, $8 \%$ reported they neglected to have the test, and $6 \%$ lacked awareness of cervical cancer screening. Cost of the test was mentioned by only 15 women. "Not necessary" was the most frequently mentioned reason by younger women, women with no steady partners, and women without sexual experience (data not shown).

### 11.3 Breast Cancer Screening

Each year, over a million women are diagnosed with breast cancer worldwide. Breast cancer is the most common cancer among women. Currently available practices for early detection of breast cancer include monthly breast self-examination (BSE), clinical breast examination (CBE), and mammography. BSE is a very simple self-care procedure that can detect early modifications of the breast and can be performed by women in the privacy of their homes after minimal instruction. The American Cancer Society recommends monthly BSE for women aged 20 or older as a supportive detection system to be used in conjunction with breast clinical examinations and mammography. The purpose of monthly BSE is to facilitate health awareness and detection of changes in the breast over time. Appropriate follow-up by a physician should be available and accessible for women who detect breast changes through self-examination. Routine CBE is recommended every three years for women aged 20-39 years and annually for women aged 40 or older.

Table 11.3 .1 shows that $61.5 \%$ of women aged $15-49$ years have reported having ever had a clinical screening for breast cancer, and 64.6\%—the same percentage as the 2002 estimate (64.6\%)-reported having ever performed a breast self-exam (BSE) at some point in their life. While clinical screening exams were associated with urban residence, particularly residence in the KMA there were no urban/rural differentials in performing BSE. Both clinical and self exams were associated with age older than 19 years, higher educational attainment and socioeconomic index, having a steady partner (excluding a boyfriend), and being sexually experienced. Of those who had ever performed BSE, 60\% had been taught how to perform BSE by a health professional. The same characteristics were associated with higher likelihood of being taught how to perform BSE and having had a clinical screening for breast cancer.

Table 11.3.2 shows that of those who have reported experience with BSE, 59.8\% reported performing BSE monthly, followed by $28.7 \%$ who performed it at least yearly. No discernable patterns in the frequency by key characteristics were detected.

### 11.4 Selected Health Problems

The survey asked all female respondents if they have ever been diagnosed by a doctor with several medical conditions, including diabetes, anemia, high blood pressure, pelvic inflammatory disease, urinary tract infection, asthma, and hepatitis B at any point in their life. Survey reports on medical conditions are minimum estimates of the true prevalence of these health problems in the population of women of childbearing age. They probably under-represent the real prevalence because self-reporting of health conditions implies that women had access to health care facilities, had visited those facilities, and had been told by physicians about their health. Furthermore, these are lifetime estimates, do not reflect current health status, and cannot be temporally associated with other events. For all these reasons, the survey data about health problems among women may serve only as proxy estimates in the absence of official statistics based on medical records or hospital discharge data.

The most common condition reported by women of reproductive age was high blood pressure, experienced by $20.4 \%$ of women (Table 11.4). High blood pressure increased with age and was inversely related with educational attainment and the wealth status. Other health conditions were reported as follows: urinary tract infection (12.6\%), asthma (8.8\%), anemia (8.6\%), diabetes (4.4\%), Pelvic inflammatory disease (1.8\%) and hepatitis B ( $0.1 \%$ ). For these conditions, women with a higher education level are more likely to report health problems, particularly anemia and urinary tract infection, possibly due to better access to health care providers.

### 11.5 Smoking and A/cohol and Drug Use

Table 11.5.1A shows that $6.1 \%$ of women aged 15-49 years reported having ever smoked (defined by smoking at least 100 cigarettes in their lifetime) and $3.5 \%$ were currently smoking. These estimates are not substantially different from those in 2002 ( $6.7 \%$ and $3.9 \%$, respectively). Both were associated with residence in urban areas including Kingston, lower educational and socioeconomic levels, and being sexually experienced. Both lifetime and current tobacco use were increasing directly with the respondent's age (Figure 11.5.1).

When compared to men aged $15-24$ years as shown in Table 11.5.1B, women of the same age groups ( $15-19$ and $20-24$ years) were less likely to have ever smoked ( $2.0 \%-5.0 \%$ versus $4.3 \%-$ $15.1 \%$ ) and to smoke currently ( $0.9 \%-3.0 \%$ versus $2.2 \%-12.3 \%$ ).

Of those who ever smoked, the median age when they started to smoke was 18 years for women aged 15-49 years, 17 years for women aged 15-24 years, and 16 years for men aged $15-24$ years (data not shown).

Figure 11.5.1
Lifetime and Current Smoking Prevalence Rates by Age Group among Women Aged 15-49 Years


Women are more sensitive than men to the toxic effects of alcohol because biological differences in body structure and chemistry cause women to absorb more alcohol and take longer to break it down and remove it. In the 2008 RHS, alcohol use was measured by asking each respondent if they had ever had 12 drinks containing alcohol ("ever drinkers"), and how frequently they drank in the past 12 months. Respondents who had consumed at least one drink in the past week were defined as "current drinkers"; those who consumed five or more drinks in a row at any given time during the month preceding the survey were defined as "episodic heavy drinkers" or binge drinkers. Because alcohol consumption data are self-reported, they might be subject to reporting biases, especially among pregnant respondents who may have been aware that alcohol use in any quantity during pregnancy is not advised.

Table 11.5.2A shows that 43.9\% of women aged 15-49 years reported having ever drunk alcoholic beverages (defined by drinking at least 12 drinks containing alcohol in their lifetime). This was a very small increase from the 2002 estimate of $41.3 \%$. The same table shows that $32.5 \%$ of women had at least one drink in the past 12 months, and $3.8 \%$ reported current drinking. Current drinking was more likely to be reported by women aged $25-34$ years (6.0\%$6.6 \%$ ), and those with common-law or visiting partners ( $5.0 \%$ and $5.7 \%$, respectively). Among current drinkers, the median number of alcoholic drinks in a typical week was three drinks (data not shown).

Table 11.5.2A also shows that 6.9\% of women aged 15-49 years reported at least one episode of binge drinking in the past month. Binge drinking was more frequently reported by women in urban areas other than Kingston (9.0\%) and by 25-29 year-olds (12.4\%). Binge drinking was also associated with having a common-law or visiting partner or boy friend with sexual relations, while married women, women with a boyfriend without sexual relations, and women without any steady partner were less likely to report binge drinking.

Compared to men aged 15-19 and 20-24 years (Table 11.5.2B and Figure 11.5.2), women in the same age groups were substantially less likely to have ever had alcohol ( $31.9 \%$ and $45.9 \%$ versus $55.3 \%$ and $78.8 \%$ ), to have had alcohol in the past 12 months ( $27.9 \%$ and $35.7 \%$ versus $51.6 \%$ and $75.6 \%$ ), to currently drink ( $2.1 \%$ and $3.2 \%$ versus $8.7 \%$ and $25.6 \%$ ), and to report an episode of binge-drinking in the past month ( $4.7 \%$ and $7.9 \%$ versus $19.2 \%$ and $40.6 \%$ ).

Figure 11.5.2
Drinking Prevalence Rates among Young Women and Men Aged 15-24 Years: Jamaica, 2008


Finally, the last column of Table 11.5.2A shows the percentage of women aged $15-49$ years who reported use of recreational drugs (i.e. marijuana or ganja, crack cocaine, or other drugs) in the last 12 months preceding the interview. Overall, very few respondents reported recent use of recreational drugs (5.2\%). Drug use was slightly more commonly reported in KMA (6.8\%), among women aged 20-29 years (7.2\%) and among those in steady non-union relationships with sexual activity ( $9.5 \%$ ). Of the 388 women who reported having used drugs in the last 12 months, most reported smoking "ganja," (86.3\%), followed by drinking ganja tea (25.9\%). Fewer than 10 women reported use of cocaine or other drugs in the last 12 months (data not shown).

Young women were substantially less likely to have used drugs in the past 12 months: $3.3 \%$ and $7.2 \%$ of women aged 15-19 and 20-24 years respectively reported having used at least one type
of drug, while $14.1 \%$ and $31.1 \%$ of their male counterparts of the same age range reported drug use in that time frame (Tables 11.5.2 A and B and Figure 11.5.3).


| Table 11.1 <br> Prevalence of Gynecologic Examination and Time of Last Exam among Women Aged 15-49 Years by Selected Characteristics <br> Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Characteristic | Ever Had a Routine Exam | No. of Cases | Time of Last Routine Gynaecologic Exam |  |  |  |  | Total | No. of Cases |
|  |  |  | $<12$ <br> Months Ago | 12-23 <br> Months Ago | $24-35$ <br> Months Ago | $36+$ <br> Months Ago | Does Not Remember |  |  |
| Total | 43.1 | 8,259 | 44.8 | 23.1 | 12.6 | 18.6 | 0.9 | 100.0 | 3,588 |
| Residence <br> Kingston Metropolitan Area Other urban Rural |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 50.1 | 1,198 | 50.6 | 20.1 | 8.0 | 20.7 | 0.6 | 100.0 | 614 |
|  | 50.5 | 2,283 | 45.3 | 23.4 | 14.4 | 15.9 | 0.9 | 100.0 | 1,150 |
|  | 33.7 | 4,778 | 40.2 | 24.7 | 13.5 | 20.5 | 1.2 | 100.0 | 1,824 |
| Health region |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 49.5 | 2,340 | 46.8 | 22.0 | 12.2 | 17.9 | 1.2 | 100.0 | 1,146 |
| 2 | 41.5 | 1,761 | 41.6 | 26.9 | 12.1 | 18.9 | 0.6 | 100.0 | 776 |
| 3 | 44.8 | 2,313 | 41.0 | 24.2 | 15.4 | 18.9 | 0.5 | 100.0 | 1,109 |
| 4 | 28.7 | 1,845 | 46.0 | 22.2 | 10.1 | 20.5 | 1.1 | 100.0 | 557 |
| Parish |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston | 45.9 | 644 | 49.4 | 20.8 | 8.7 | 19.8 | 1.3 | 100.0 | 321 |
| St. Andrew | 49.0 | 636 | 51.3 | 19.7 | 7.8 | 20.8 | 0.4 | 100.0 | 328 |
| St. Thomas | 34.1 | 504 | 36.4 | 20.1 | 14.4 | 28.2 | 0.9 | 100.0 | 184 |
| Porland | 30.9 | 516 | 41.3 | 20.9 | 10.7 | 26.8 | 0.3 | 100.0 | 161 |
| St. Mary | 27.0 | 542 | 48.6 | 28.6 | 10.2 | 11.2 | 1.3 | 100.0 | 173 |
| St. Ann | 57.2 | 703 | 39.1 | 27.6 | 13.1 | 19.8 | 0.4 | 100.0 | 442 |
| Trelawny | 27.3 | 516 | 35.6 | 26.9 | 9.7 | 27.8 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 182 |
| St. James | 51.1 | 635 | 46.8 | 21.9 | 12.3 | 17.9 | 1.1 | 100.0 | 337 |
| Hanover | 43.9 | 541 | 31.2 | 23.3 | 20.3 | 25.2 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 273 |
| Westmoreland | 46.8 | 621 | 39.6 | 26.8 | 18.9 | 14.7 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 317 |
| St. Elizabeth | 20.7 | 528 | 44.9 | 21.8 | 9.2 | 24.1 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 117 |
| Manchester | 38.1 | 668 | 41.4 | 22.1 | 9.8 | 25.5 | 1.2 | 100.0 | 254 |
| Clarendon | 26.0 | 649 | 52.9 | 22.5 | 11.0 | 12.0 | 1.6 | 100.0 | 186 |
| St. Catherine | 52.8 | 556 | 43.3 | 24.4 | 16.5 | 14.0 | 1.8 | 100.0 | 313 |
| Age group |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 11.6 | 1,229 | 67.0 | 20.5 | 7.0 | 5.4 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 126 |
| 20-24 | 34.0 | 1,114 | 58.9 | 26.5 | 7.4 | 6.5 | 0.7 | 100.0 | 393 |
| 25-29 | 49.2 | 1,350 | 51.5 | 23.7 | 12.7 | 12.0 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 626 |
| 30-34 | 57.3 | 1,219 | 40.7 | 25.5 | 13.5 | 19.2 | 1.1 | 100.0 | 651 |
| 35-39 | 50.5 | 1,221 | 45.6 | 21.8 | 15.5 | 16.3 | 0.9 | 100.0 | 605 |
| 40-44 | 58.0 | 1,084 | 34.4 | 21.6 | 12.1 | 29.8 | 2.1 | 100.0 | 596 |
| 45-49 | 59.4 | 1,042 | 29.4 | 19.3 | 15.4 | 34.8 | 1.0 | 100.0 | 591 |
| Current relationship status |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Married | 63.8 | 1,441 | 43.3 | 23.4 | 11.1 | 21.4 | 0.8 | 100.0 | 879 |
| Common law union | 47.3 | 2,158 | 42.5 | 22.5 | 15.6 | 18.6 | 0.8 | 100.0 | 975 |
| Visiting relationship | 44.6 | 2,279 | 50.3 | 24.8 | 9.4 | 15.0 | 0.5 | 100.0 | 996 |
| Boyfriend with sex | 21.8 | 281 | 43.3 | 30.3 | 16.5 | 9.9 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 66 |
| Boyfriend without sex | 14.4 | 197 | 46.7 | 8.8 | 30.7 | 13.7 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 29 |
| No steady relationship | 31.9 | 1,903 | 40.3 | 20.6 | 14.5 | 22.5 | 2.2 | 100.0 | 643 |
| Education level (in years)* |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-9 | 31.5 | 2,183 | 34.4 | 20.0 | 14.5 | 29.9 | 1.2 | 100.0 | 713 |
| 10-12 | 41.9 | 5,078 | 44.6 | 24.4 | 12.6 | 17.6 | 0.9 | 100.0 | 2,178 |
| 13 or more | 68.5 | 995 | 53.4 | 21.6 | 11.2 | 12.9 | 0.9 | 100.0 | 695 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 25.3 | 2,001 | 35.8 | 22.5 | 14.1 | 26.2 | 1.4 | 100.0 | 531 |
| Second | 36.9 | 1,716 | 37.7 | 21.8 | 17.4 | 22.7 | 0.4 | 100.0 | 667 |
| Middle | 41.4 | 1,668 | 41.6 | 22.2 | 13.0 | 21.2 | 2.0 | 100.0 | 738 |
| Fourth | 51.4 | 1,650 | 48.2 | 22.8 | 11.6 | 16.8 | 0.7 | 100.0 | 864 |
| Highest | 60.8 | 1,224 | 52.0 | 24.9 | 9.8 | 12.7 | 0.5 | 100.0 | 788 |
| Sexual experience |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| No | 7.8 | 817 | 52.4 | 28.2 | 5.9 | 13.4 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 64 |
| Yes | 48.2 | 7,442 | 44.6 | 23.0 | 12.7 | 18.7 | 1.0 | 100.0 | 3,524 |

[^59]| Table 11.2.1 <br> Prevalence of Cervical Cancer Screening (Pap Spear Test) and Time of Last Exam among Women Aged 15-49 Years by Selected Characteristics <br> Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Characteristic | Ever Had a Pap Smear Test | No. of Cases | Time of Last Pap Smear Test |  |  |  |  | Total | No. of Cases |
|  |  |  | <12 <br> Months Ago | 12-23 <br> Months <br> Ago | $24-35$ <br> Months Ago | 36 or More Months Ago | Does Not <br> Remember |  |  |
| Total | 62.4 | 8,259 | 35.8 | 19.1 | 17.1 | 27.2 | 0.8 | 100.0 | 5,496 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 62.3 | 1,198 | 39.3 | 20.7 | 13.8 | 25.7 | 0.5 | 100.0 | 770 |
| Other urban | 65.8 | 2,283 | 39.6 | 18.1 | 17.2 | 24.5 | 0.6 | 100.0 | 1,632 |
| Rural | 59.6 | 4,778 | 30.7 | 19.3 | 18.6 | 30.4 | 1.1 | 100.0 | 3,094 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 62.3 | 2,340 | 39.1 | 20.5 | 16.1 | 23.5 | 0.9 | 100.0 | 1,568 |
| 2 | 59.6 | 1,761 | 34.8 | 16.5 | 19.2 | 28.1 | 1.4 | 100.0 | 1,112 |
| 3 | 60.8 | 2,313 | 32.6 | 20.0 | 17.7 | 29.1 | 0.6 | 100.0 | 1,514 |
| 4 | 65.9 | 1,845 | 32.5 | 17.1 | 17.4 | 32.7 | 0.3 | 100.0 | 1,302 |
| Parish |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston | 57.7 | 644 | 35.8 | 18.4 | 12.6 | 33.0 | 0.2 | 100.0 | 404 |
| St. Andrew | 62.2 | 636 | 38.5 | 22.1 | 14.4 | 24.5 | 0.6 | 100.0 | 416 |
| St. Thomas | 73.2 | 504 | 27.0 | 19.7 | 19.4 | 33.9 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 382 |
| Porland | 67.5 | 516 | 35.5 | 14.6 | 20.4 | 25.6 | 3.9 | 100.0 | 348 |
| St. Mary | 54.3 | 542 | 38.8 | 14.6 | 17.1 | 28.3 | 1.2 | 100.0 | 298 |
| St. Ann | 60.4 | 703 | 31.7 | 18.8 | 20.1 | 29.1 | 0.3 | 100.0 | 466 |
| Trelawny | 62.4 | 516 | 21.3 | 25.4 | 18.2 | 34.6 | 0.5 | 100.0 | 356 |
| St. James | 72.8 | 635 | 34.7 | 18.0 | 15.7 | 31.3 | 0.3 | 100.0 | 479 |
| Hanover | 49.2 | 541 | 30.6 | 21.8 | 23.0 | 24.6 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 322 |
| Westmoreland | 51.5 | 621 | 37.1 | 19.1 | 18.5 | 24.0 | 1.4 | 100.0 | 357 |
| St. Elizabeth | 60.3 | 528 | 30.7 | 20.1 | 17.8 | 31.3 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 335 |
| Manchester | 67.7 | 668 | 32.0 | 15.8 | 16.3 | 35.4 | 0.6 | 100.0 | 491 |
| Clarendon | 68.2 | 649 | 34.1 | 16.3 | 18.3 | 31.0 | 0.2 | 100.0 | 476 |
| St. Catherine | 61.7 | 556 | 42.4 | 19.4 | 17.7 | 19.1 | 1.4 | 100.0 | 366 |
| Age group |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 7.4 | 1,229 | 58.7 | 24.8 | 13.0 | 1.8 | 1.6 | 100.0 | 102 |
| 20-24 | 44.3 | 1,114 | 49.8 | 20.7 | 16.3 | 12.9 | 0.3 | 100.0 | 541 |
| 25-29 | 71.5 | 1,350 | 39.3 | 20.3 | 19.3 | 20.7 | 0.3 | 100.0 | 977 |
| 30-34 | 83.6 | 1,219 | 33.7 | 24.3 | 15.6 | 26.1 | 0.5 | 100.0 | 1,009 |
| 35-39 | 85.1 | 1,221 | 33.5 | 17.7 | 19.4 | 27.8 | 1.7 | 100.0 | 1,026 |
| 40-44 | 89.0 | 1,084 | 28.8 | 14.9 | 15.6 | 39.9 | 0.8 | 100.0 | 949 |
| 45-49 | 87.2 | 1,042 | 29.9 | 14.4 | 16.1 | 39.0 | 0.6 | 100.0 | 892 |
| Current relationship status |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Married | 89.2 | 1,441 | 41.3 | 18.0 | 15.9 | 24.2 | 0.6 | 100.0 | 1,268 |
| Common law union | 73.0 | 2,158 | 31.5 | 18.4 | 19.1 | 29.8 | 1.1 | 100.0 | 1,619 |
| Visiting relationship | 66.0 | 2,279 | 40.2 | 21.3 | 15.3 | 23.1 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 1,571 |
| Boyfriend with sex | 21.5 | 281 | 35.5 | 24.4 | 24.0 | 16.2 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 80 |
| Boyfriend without sex | 14.2 | 197 | 27.6 | 1.4 | 44.9 | 26.1 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 29 |
| No steady relationship | 44.3 | 1,903 | 27.8 | 17.9 | 17.3 | 35.3 | 1.7 | 100.0 | 929 |
| Education level (in years)* |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-9 | 62.6 | 2,183 | 24.1 | 13.2 | 20.0 | 42.1 | 0.6 | 100.0 | 1,474 |
| 10-12 | 60.4 | 5,078 | 36.9 | 20.4 | 16.6 | 25.3 | 0.9 | 100.0 | 3,258 |
| 13 or more | 71.6 | 995 | 48.9 | 22.9 | 14.8 | 12.9 | 0.5 | 100.0 | 761 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 61.2 | 2,001 | 24.6 | 17.6 | 19.1 | 38.3 | 0.3 | 100.0 | 1,295 |
| Second | 61.3 | 1,716 | 29.6 | 17.2 | 18.4 | 33.3 | 1.5 | 100.0 | 1,113 |
| Middle | 62.8 | 1,668 | 34.1 | 19.1 | 19.6 | 26.2 | 1.1 | 100.0 | 1,121 |
| Fourth | 61.0 | 1,650 | 40.9 | 18.0 | 16.6 | 23.8 | 0.8 | 100.0 | 1,101 |
| Highest | 65.8 | 1,224 | 48.9 | 23.4 | 12.0 | 15.4 | 0.3 | 100.0 | 866 |
| Sexual experience |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| No | 3.2 | 817 | 21.0 | 23.7 | 25.8 | 16.1 | 13.3 | 100.0 | 30 |
| Yes | 71.0 | 7,442 | 35.9 | 19.1 | 17.0 | 27.3 | 0.7 | 100.0 | 5,466 |

[^60]| Table 11.2.2 <br> Medical Advice Following Cervical Cancer Screening among Women Aged 15-49 Years who Had Ever Had a Pap Smear Test, by Selected Characteristics <br> Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Characteristic | Medical Advice Following Pap Smear Test |  |  |  | Total | No. of Cases |
|  | Did Not Need Treatment | Does Not Have Results Yet | Needed Treatment | Does Not Remember |  |  |
| Total | 87.1 | 7.3 | 5.1 | 0.5 | 100.0 | 5,454 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 90.4 | 4.9 | 4.1 | 0.6 | 100.0 | 767 |
| Rural | 85.3 | 9.3 | 4.9 | 0.5 | 100.0 | 3,071 |
| Other urban | 87.2 | 6.5 | 5.8 | 0.4 | 100.0 | 1,616 |
| Health region |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 89.0 | 4.9 | 5.6 | 0.5 | 100.0 | 1,559 |
| 2 | 84.6 | 9.6 | 5.3 | 0.4 | 100.0 | 1,094 |
| 3 | 90.6 | 5.9 | 3.1 | 0.5 | 100.0 | 1,506 |
| 4 | 81.2 | 12.3 | 5.9 | 0.6 | 100.0 | 1,295 |
| Parish |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston | 90.8 | 3.5 | 4.2 | 1.5 | 100.0 | 403 |
| St. Andrew | 90.0 | 5.7 | 3.9 | 0.4 | 100.0 | 413 |
| St. Thomas | 84.5 | 4.6 | 9.8 | 1.1 | 100.0 | 382 |
| Porland | 85.5 | 12.6 | 1.4 | 0.5 | 100.0 | 336 |
| St. Mary | 88.3 | 7.8 | 3.3 | 0.7 | 100.0 | 294 |
| St. Ann | 81.6 | 9.6 | 8.6 | 0.2 | 100.0 | 464 |
| Trelawny | 90.9 | 3.1 | 5.9 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 353 |
| St. James | 93.0 | 4.7 | 2.0 | 0.3 | 100.0 | 476 |
| Hanover | 88.2 | 9.0 | 2.7 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 322 |
| Westmoreland | 87.5 | 8.1 | 3.2 | 1.3 | 100.0 | 355 |
| St. Elizabeth | 79.1 | 15.0 | 5.4 | 0.5 | 100.0 | 334 |
| Manchester | 84.6 | 9.7 | 5.5 | 0.3 | 100.0 | 487 |
| Clarendon | 79.5 | 13.0 | 6.6 | 1.0 | 100.0 | 474 |
| St. Catherine | 88.6 | 4.4 | 6.7 | 0.3 | 100.0 | 361 |
| Age group |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 79.2 | 10.7 | 8.1 | 2.1 | 100.0 | 99 |
| 20-24 | 82.8 | 11.4 | 5.6 | 0.2 | 100.0 | 540 |
| 25-29 | 85.6 | 7.7 | 6.4 | 0.3 | 100.0 | 973 |
| 30-34 | 86.8 | 7.0 | 5.7 | 0.5 | 100.0 | 1,002 |
| 35-39 | 88.2 | 6.4 | 4.8 | 0.6 | 100.0 | 1,017 |
| 40-44 | 90.1 | 6.1 | 3.2 | 0.6 | 100.0 | 942 |
| 45-49 | 89.3 | 5.8 | 4.4 | 0.6 | 100.0 | 881 |
| Current relationship status |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Married | 88.8 | 6.3 | 4.5 | 0.4 | 100.0 | 1,260 |
| Common law union | 87.5 | 6.3 | 5.6 | 0.6 | 100.0 | 1,607 |
| Visiting relationship | 85.2 | 9.3 | 5.2 | 0.3 | 100.0 | 1,565 |
| Boyfriend with sex | 91.3 | 5.3 | 3.5 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 80 |
| Boyfriend without sex | 84.5 | 0.0 | 15.5 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 29 |
| No steady relationship | 87.6 | 6.8 | 4.7 | 0.9 | 100.0 | 913 |
| Education level (in years)* |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-9 | 83.8 | 8.8 | 6.7 | 0.8 | 100.0 | 1,461 |
| 10-12 | 87.4 | 7.5 | 4.7 | 0.5 | 100.0 | 3,234 |
| 13 or more | 90.7 | 4.6 | 4.4 | 0.2 | 100.0 | 756 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 80.6 | 12.2 | 6.4 | 0.7 | 100.0 | 1,288 |
| Middle | 87.6 | 7.8 | 4.2 | 0.4 | 100.0 | 1,111 |
| Second | 87.0 | 8.1 | 4.1 | 0.8 | 100.0 | 1,102 |
| Fourth | 89.0 | 5.1 | 5.6 | 0.3 | 100.0 | 1,091 |
| Highest | 91.1 | 3.6 | 5.0 | 0.3 | 100.0 | 862 |
| Sexual experience |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Yes | 87.1 | 7.4 | 5.1 | 0.5 | 100.0 | 5,428 |
| No | 79.3 | 0.0 | 12.9 | 7.8 | 100.0 | 26 |

[^61]| Table 11.3.1 <br> Prevalence of Clinical Breast Exam (CBE) and Breast Self-Exam (BSE) among Women Aged 15-49 Years by Selected Characteristics Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Characteristic | Ever Had a Clinical Breast Exam (CBE) | No. of Cases | Ever Had a BSE | Ever Been Taught by a Health Professional to Perform BSE | No. of Cases |
| Total | 61.5 | 8,259 | 64.6 | 59.0 | 5,360 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 68.1 | 1,198 | 64.0 | 68.6 | 772 |
| Other urban | 61.9 | 2,283 | 64.5 | 56.0 | 1,514 |
| Rural | 57.9 | 4,778 | 65.0 | 57.0 | 3,074 |
| Health region |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 62.5 | 2,340 | 64.0 | 64.1 | 1,450 |
| 2 | 57.6 | 1,761 | 70.0 | 45.8 | 1,215 |
| 3 | 58.5 | 2,313 | 57.7 | 59.3 | 1,388 |
| 4 | 64.4 | 1,845 | 69.5 | 56.6 | 1,307 |
| Parish |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston | 64.9 | 644 | 62.4 | 64.6 | 412 |
| St. Andrew | 67.6 | 636 | 64.7 | 72.4 | 415 |
| St. Thomas | 41.3 | 504 | 53.3 | 60.3 | 262 |
| Porland | 49.1 | 516 | 62.3 | 61.7 | 335 |
| St. Mary | 54.7 | 542 | 61.5 | 53.2 | 314 |
| St. Ann | 63.5 | 703 | 79.7 | 36.2 | 566 |
| Trelawny | 66.8 | 516 | 53.9 | 48.5 | 295 |
| St. James | 54.7 | 635 | 51.9 | 70.0 | 327 |
| Hanover | 72.5 | 541 | 77.3 | 50.5 | 406 |
| Westmoreland | 52.0 | 621 | 57.3 | 58.9 | 360 |
| St. Elizabeth | 68.6 | 528 | 70.5 | 62.6 | 377 |
| Manchester | 68.6 | 668 | 74.4 | 54.7 | 505 |
| Clarendon | 57.6 | 649 | 64.3 | 53.9 | 425 |
| St. Catherine | 60.2 | 556 | 65.1 | 56.5 | 361 |
| Age group |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 35.0 | 1,229 | 43.4 | 40.2 | 520 |
| 20-24 | 61.4 | 1,114 | 66.2 | 53.1 | 710 |
| 25-29 | 66.0 | 1,350 | 66.4 | 63.0 | 901 |
| 30-34 | 72.4 | 1,219 | 70.7 | 64.6 | 867 |
| 35-39 | 68.6 | 1,221 | 70.0 | 64.8 | 836 |
| 40-44 | 68.9 | 1,084 | 72.4 | 60.4 | 769 |
| 45-49 | 68.5 | 1,042 | 73.9 | 66.0 | 757 |
| Current relationship status |  |  |  |  |  |
| Married | 75.6 | 1,441 | 77.0 | 68.8 | 1,102 |
| Common law union | 64.9 | 2,158 | 64.6 | 58.1 | 1,389 |
| Visiting relationship | 65.5 | 2,279 | 68.3 | 59.6 | 1,521 |
| Boyfriend with sex | 38.8 | 281 | 55.3 | 40.3 | 156 |
| Boyfriend without sex | 39.5 | 197 | 51.8 | 40.6 | 103 |
| No steady relationship | 50.8 | 1,903 | 55.6 | 55.8 | 1,089 |
| Education level (in years)* |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-9 | 55.6 | 2,183 | 57.9 | 55.1 | 1,290 |
| 10-12 | 61.0 | 5,078 | 64.0 | 58.5 | 3,282 |
| 13 or more | 73.4 | 995 | 78.6 | 65.7 | 785 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 56.5 | 2,001 | 60.9 | 51.9 | 1,151 |
| Second | 57.9 | 1,716 | 62.5 | 54.1 | 1,110 |
| Middle | 62.4 | 1,668 | 66.1 | 59.9 | 1,112 |
| Fourth | 63.0 | 1,650 | 66.1 | 60.3 | 1,121 |
| Highest | 67.4 | 1,224 | 67.5 | 67.8 | 866 |
| Sexual experience |  |  |  |  |  |
| No | 32.5 | 817 | 40.7 | 35.8 | 332 |
| Yes | 65.7 | 7,442 | 68.1 | 61.0 | 5,028 |

[^62]| Table 11.3.2 <br> Frequency of BSE among Women Aged 15-49 Years Who Reported Ever Performing BSE by Selected Characteristics <br> Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Characteristic | Frequency of BSE |  |  | Total | No. of Cases |
|  | Monthly | At Least Yearly | Less Than Yearly |  |  |
| Total | 59.8 | 28.7 | 11.5 | 100.0 | 5,360 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 53.6 | 27.1 | 19.3 | 100.0 | 772 |
| Other urban | 59.7 | 29.8 | 10.5 | 100.0 | 1,514 |
| Rural | 62.7 | 28.6 | 8.7 | 100.0 | 3,074 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 56.2 | 27.8 | 16.0 | 100.0 | 1,450 |
| 2 | 60.2 | 30.2 | 9.7 | 100.0 | 1,215 |
| 3 | 56.1 | 34.9 | 9.0 | 100.0 | 1,388 |
| 4 | 69.7 | 24.8 | 5.5 | 100.0 | 1,307 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston | 61.8 | 22.2 | 16.0 | 100.0 | 412 |
| St. Andrew | 52.5 | 27.6 | 19.9 | 100.0 | 415 |
| St. Thomas | 67.9 | 19.3 | 12.8 | 100.0 | 262 |
| Porland | 66.7 | 25.7 | 7.6 | 100.0 | 335 |
| St. Mary | 42.6 | 42.3 | 15.0 | 100.0 | 314 |
| St. Ann | 68.5 | 24.4 | 7.1 | 100.0 | 566 |
| Trelawny | 50.7 | 38.2 | 11.1 | 100.0 | 295 |
| St. James | 49.3 | 38.5 | 12.2 | 100.0 | 327 |
| Hanover | 73.1 | 23.5 | 3.4 | 100.0 | 406 |
| Westmoreland | 55.2 | 36.7 | 8.1 | 100.0 | 360 |
| St. Elizabeth | 75.9 | 21.2 | 2.9 | 100.0 | 377 |
| Manchester | 72.1 | 26.4 | 1.5 | 100.0 | 505 |
| Clarendon | 62.4 | 26.0 | 11.6 | 100.0 | 425 |
| St. Catherine | 57.4 | 29.9 | 12.7 | 100.0 | 361 |
| Age group |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 61.2 | 27.4 | 11.4 | 100.0 | 520 |
| 20-24 | 58.6 | 28.3 | 13.1 | 100.0 | 710 |
| 25-29 | 61.1 | 27.9 | 11.0 | 100.0 | 901 |
| 30-34 | 59.4 | 32.8 | 7.8 | 100.0 | 867 |
| 35-39 | 60.2 | 26.5 | 13.3 | 100.0 | 836 |
| 40-44 | 58.2 | 29.2 | 12.6 | 100.0 | 769 |
| 45-49 | 60.1 | 28.3 | 11.6 | 100.0 | 757 |
| Current relationship status |  |  |  |  |  |
| Married | 62.3 | 26.8 | 10.9 | 100.0 | 1,102 |
| Common law union | 60.1 | 28.0 | 11.9 | 100.0 | 1,389 |
| Visiting relationship | 60.4 | 27.7 | 12.0 | 100.0 | 1,521 |
| Boyfriend with sex | 63.8 | 22.5 | 13.7 | 100.0 | 156 |
| Boyfriend without sex | 49.8 | 33.5 | 16.7 | 100.0 | 103 |
| No steady relationship | 57.1 | 33.0 | 9.9 | 100.0 | 1,089 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-9 | 63.7 | 27.0 | 9.3 | 100.0 | 1,290 |
| 10-12 | 58.5 | 29.7 | 11.8 | 100.0 | 3,282 |
| 13 or more | 59.7 | 27.1 | 13.2 | 100.0 | 785 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 63.5 | 28.3 | 8.3 | 100.0 | 1,151 |
| Second | 60.5 | 27.6 | 11.8 | 100.0 | 1,110 |
| Middle | 59.7 | 29.5 | 10.8 | 100.0 | 1,112 |
| Fourth | 60.1 | 29.8 | 10.1 | 100.0 | 1,121 |
| Highest | 55.4 | 28.3 | 16.4 | 100.0 | 866 |
| Sexual experience |  |  |  |  |  |
| No | 53.3 | 34.0 | 12.7 | 100.0 | 332 |
| Yes | 60.3 | 28.3 | 11.4 | 100.0 | 5,028 |

[^63]| Table 11.4 <br> Selected Health Problems Ever Been Told by a Doctor among Women Aged 15-49 Years by Selected Characteristics <br> Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Characteristic | High Blood Pressure | Urinary Tract Infection | Asthma | Anemia | Diabetes | Pelvic Inflammatory Disease | Hepatitis B | No. of Cases |
| Total | 20.4 | 12.6 | 8.8 | 8.6 | 4.4 | 1.8 | 0.1 | 8,259 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 17.7 | 9.9 | 11.0 | 6.9 | 5.7 | 2.4 | 0.4 | 1,198 |
| Other urban | 22.7 | 17.2 | 9.8 | 12.2 | 4.7 | 2.0 | 0.1 | 2,283 |
| Rural | 19.6 | 10.0 | 7.0 | 6.5 | 3.6 | 1.3 | 0.1 | 4,778 |
| Health region |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 19.5 | 13.7 | 10.0 | 10.7 | 4.9 | 2.6 | 0.2 | 2,340 |
| 2 | 17.8 | 11.4 | 6.4 | 5.1 | 3.3 | 1.0 | 0.0 | 1,761 |
| 3 | 20.8 | 7.6 | 7.3 | 5.0 | 4.0 | 0.7 | 0.1 | 2,313 |
| 4 | 23.4 | 15.7 | 9.1 | 9.9 | 4.5 | 1.5 | 0.1 | 1,845 |
| Parish |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston | 19.9 | 11.5 | 11.7 | 9.1 | 4.9 | 1.3 | 1.3 | 644 |
| St. Andrew | 16.6 | 8.7 | 10.1 | 6.6 | 5.4 | 2.3 | 0.1 | 636 |
| St. Thomas | 25.4 | 12.3 | 7.7 | 5.2 | 2.9 | 1.3 | 0.1 | 504 |
| Porland | 21.2 | 13.0 | 7.6 | 4.0 | 4.3 | 0.6 | 0.0 | 516 |
| St. Mary | 17.5 | 6.3 | 6.0 | 3.1 | 2.9 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 542 |
| St. Ann | 16.5 | 14.6 | 6.3 | 7.1 | 3.1 | 2.0 | 0.0 | 703 |
| Trelawny | 21.6 | 10.7 | 7.8 | 5.5 | 3.8 | 0.7 | 0.3 | 516 |
| St. James | 22.1 | 5.9 | 10.5 | 6.1 | 3.4 | 0.9 | 0.1 | 635 |
| Hanover | 13.4 | 5.3 | 3.0 | 3.6 | 3.8 | 0.4 | 0.1 | 541 |
| Westmoreland | 22.5 | 9.3 | 5.2 | 4.1 | 4.7 | 0.8 | 0.1 | 621 |
| St. Elizabeth | 26.2 | 14.2 | 11.7 | 8.9 | 4.1 | 0.9 | 0.0 | 528 |
| Manchester | 22.8 | 17.2 | 7.1 | 9.7 | 3.9 | 2.1 | 0.0 | 668 |
| Clarendon | 21.8 | 15.5 | 8.9 | 10.8 | 5.4 | 1.4 | 0.2 | 649 |
| St. Catherine | 21.3 | 19.1 | 10.0 | 15.6 | 4.8 | 3.2 | 0.1 | 556 |
| Age group |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 4.0 | 3.5 | 11.5 | 5.5 | 1.2 | 0.8 | 0.1 | 1,229 |
| 20-24 | 14.3 | 11.2 | 9.0 | 10.3 | 2.4 | 1.0 | 0.2 | 1,114 |
| 25-29 | 18.2 | 19.5 | 9.5 | 9.6 | 2.0 | 1.0 | 0.1 | 1,350 |
| 30-34 | 23.3 | 17.5 | 6.6 | 12.2 | 3.5 | 3.7 | 0.2 | 1,219 |
| 35-39 | 28.5 | 11.8 | 8.0 | 6.8 | 5.9 | 2.0 | 0.2 | 1,221 |
| 40-44 | 29.0 | 14.5 | 8.1 | 7.6 | 8.3 | 1.6 | 0.4 | 1,084 |
| 45-49 | 40.8 | 12.4 | 7.9 | 8.8 | 13.7 | 3.2 | 0.0 | 1,042 |
|   <br> Currelationship status  <br> 10.8  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Married | 27.5 | 18.7 | 10.4 | 11.6 | 6.9 | 3.3 | 0.3 | 1,441 |
| Common law union | 25.3 | 12.6 | 8.5 | 7.8 | 5.8 | 1.6 | 0.1 | 2,158 |
| Visiting relationship | 21.6 | 14.0 | 6.8 | 7.6 | 3.0 | 2.2 | 0.1 | 2,279 |
| Boyfriend with sex | 6.4 | 9.4 | 13.4 | 7.1 | 1.4 | 1.5 | 0.0 | 281 |
| Boyfriend without sex | 7.0 | 5.4 | 7.4 | 5.1 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 197 |
| No steady relationship | 13.7 | 8.7 | 10.2 | 9.6 | 4.5 | 0.8 | 0.1 | 1,903 |
| Education level (in years)*  <br> *  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-9 | 26.3 | 10.5 | 8.8 | 5.9 | 6.1 | 1.8 | 0.1 | 2,183 |
| 10-12 | 19.4 | 10.7 | 8.4 | 7.4 | 4.0 | 1.6 | 0.2 | 5,078 |
| 13 or more | 15.0 | 24.9 | 10.9 | 19.1 | 3.9 | 2.6 | 0.1 | 995 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 24.2 | 10.8 | 7.4 | 6.2 | 5.0 | 1.8 | 0.1 | 2,001 |
| Second | 21.9 | 8.2 | 10.3 | 6.1 | 3.9 | 0.9 | 0.2 | 1,716 |
| Middle | 22.2 | 12.6 | 9.5 | 8.0 | 5.4 | 1.2 | 0.1 | 1,668 |
| Fourth | 17.8 | 13.3 | 8.4 | 9.4 | 4.0 | 2.2 | 0.2 | 1,650 |
| Highest | 15.7 | 17.9 | 8.7 | 13.5 | 4.0 | 2.8 | 0.3 | 1,224 |
| Sexual experience |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| No | 2.0 | 1.6 | 12.1 | 6.4 | 1.3 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 817 |
| Yes | 23.0 | 14.2 | 8.3 | 9.0 | 4.9 | 2.0 | 0.2 | 7,442 |

[^64]| Table 11.5.1A <br> Prevalence of Smoking among Women Aged 15-49 Years by Selected Characteristics Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Characteristic | Ever Smoked* | Currently Smoke | No. of Cases |
| Total | 6.1 | 3.5 | 8,259 |
| Residence |  |  |  |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 7.2 | 4.7 | 1,198 |
| Other urban | 7.1 | 3.6 | 2,283 |
| Rural | 4.7 | 2.7 | 4,778 |
| Health region |  |  |  |
| 1 | 6.9 | 3.7 | 2,340 |
| 2 | 7.0 | 3.8 | 1,761 |
| 3 | 4.7 | 2.9 | 2,313 |
| 4 | 5.3 | 3.1 | 1,845 |
| Parish |  |  |  |
| Kingston | 9.0 | 5.0 | 644 |
| St. Andrew | 6.4 | 4.3 | 636 |
| St. Thomas | 4.0 | 3.1 | 504 |
| Porland | 5.6 | 3.2 | 516 |
| St. Mary | 6.9 | 4.2 | 542 |
| St. Ann | 7.7 | 3.7 | 703 |
| Trelawny | 6.2 | 3.6 | 516 |
| St. James | 5.0 | 3.2 | 635 |
| Hanover | 2.1 | 1.9 | 541 |
| Westmoreland | 4.7 | 2.7 | 621 |
| St. Elizabeth | 3.5 | 2.3 | 528 |
| Manchester | 6.3 | 3.4 | 668 |
| Clarendon | 5.8 | 3.5 | 649 |
| St. Catherine | 7.3 | 3.1 | 556 |
| Age group |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 2.0 | 0.9 | 1,229 |
| 20-24 | 5.0 | 3.0 | 1,114 |
| 25-29 | 6.9 | 4.2 | 1,350 |
| 30-34 | 6.9 | 3.8 | 1,219 |
| 35-39 | 7.3 | 4.2 | 1,221 |
| 40-44 | 7.8 | 4.5 | 1,084 |
| 45-49 | 10.1 | 4.9 | 1,042 |
| Current relationship status |  |  |  |
| Married | 4.5 | 1.5 | 1,441 |
| Common law union | 9.5 | 5.7 | 2,158 |
| Visiting relationship | 6.9 | 4.5 | 2,279 |
| Boyfriend with sex | 4.9 | 2.7 | 281 |
| Boyfriend without sex | 1.7 | 0.5 | 197 |
| No steady relationship | 3.8 | 1.7 | 1,903 |
| Education level (in years) ${ }^{\dagger}$ |  |  |  |
| 0-9 | 8.8 | 5.5 | 2,183 |
| 10-12 | 5.7 | 3.0 | 5,078 |
| 13 or more | 3.6 | 1.9 | 995 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 8.7 | 5.6 | 2,001 |
| Second | 8.3 | 5.0 | 1,716 |
| Middle | 3.4 | 1.9 | 1,668 |
| Fourth | 5.3 | 2.6 | 1,650 |
| Highest | 4.9 | 2.3 | 1,224 |
| Sexual experience |  |  |  |
| No | 0.9 | 0.2 | 817 |
| Yes | 6.9 | 3.9 | 7,442 |


| Table 11.5.1B <br> Prevalence of Smoking among Men Aged 15-24 Years by Selected Characteristics <br> Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Characteristic | Ever Smoked* | Currently Smoke | No. of Cases |
| Total | 8.7 | 6.3 | 2,775 |
| Residence |  |  |  |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 12.4 | 10.6 | 380 |
| Other urban | 7.8 | 5.2 | 759 |
| Rural | 8.1 | 5.7 | 1,636 |
| Health region |  |  |  |
| 1 | 9.9 | 7.0 | 789 |
| 2 | 13.3 | 9.4 | 552 |
| 3 | 7.2 | 5.7 | 775 |
| 4 | 6.0 | 4.3 | 659 |
| Parish |  |  |  |
| Kingston | 7.8 | 6.2 | 209 |
| St. Andrew | 12.5 | 10.9 | 201 |
| St. Thomas | 7.8 | 5.1 | 212 |
| Porland | 11.6 | 10.0 | 182 |
| St. Mary | 17.9 | 10.2 | 186 |
| St. Ann | 10.4 | 8.5 | 184 |
| Trelawny | 7.3 | 5.4 | 170 |
| St. James | 6.4 | 5.8 | 215 |
| Hanover | 11.4 | 7.8 | 181 |
| Westmoreland | 5.7 | 4.6 | 209 |
| St. Elizabeth | 7.1 | 5.9 | 217 |
| Manchester | 5.1 | 3.4 | 236 |
| Clarendon | 6.1 | 3.9 | 206 |
| St. Catherine | 8.1 | 3.4 | 167 |
| Age group |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 4.3 | 2.2 | 1,652 |
| 20-24 | 15.1 | 12.3 | 1,123 |
| Current relationship status |  |  |  |
| Married/common law union | 16.0 | 13.1 | 162 |
| Visiting relationship | 11.5 | 9.3 | 554 |
| Girlfriend with sex | 11.7 | 7.9 | 829 |
| Girlfriend without sex | 2.0 | 1.8 | 410 |
| No steady relationship | 5.9 | 3.7 | 820 |
| Education level (in years) ${ }^{\dagger}$ |  |  |  |
| 0-9 | 7.1 | 6.3 | 687 |
| 10-12 | 9.1 | 6.4 | 1,944 |
| 13 or more | 10.3 | 5.3 | 130 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 11.6 | 9.2 | 632 |
| Second | 8.7 | 7.6 | 620 |
| Middle | 11.3 | 6.8 | 512 |
| Fourth | 8.9 | 5.9 | 538 |
| Highest | 2.4 | 1.6 | 473 |
| Sexual experience |  |  |  |
| No | 1.2 | 0.8 | 714 |
| Yes | 11.2 | 8.2 | 2,061 |

[^65]| Table 11.5.2A <br> Prevalence of Alcohol and Drug Use among Women Aged 15-49 Years by Selected Characteristics <br> Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Characteristic | Alcohol Use |  |  |  |  | Drug Use |  |
|  | Ever Drunk* | Drunk in the Past 12 Months | Drink at Least Once per Week | Binge Drunk in the Past Month | No. of Cases | Used Drugs in the Past 12 Months | No. of Cases |
| Total | 43.9 | 32.5 | 3.8 | 6.9 | 8,259 | 5.2 | 8,259 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 33.6 | 26.1 | 4.2 | 6.3 | 1,198 | 6.8 | 1,198 |
| Other urban | 48.8 | 37.0 | 4.6 | 9.0 | 2,283 | 6.0 | 2,283 |
| Rural | 44.7 | 31.7 | 3.0 | 5.6 | 4,778 | 3.7 | 4,778 |
| Health region |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 38.5 | 30.2 | 3.4 | 7.0 | 2,340 | 6.6 | 2,340 |
| 2 | 50.9 | 37.6 | 2.3 | 7.4 | 1,761 | 2.7 | 1,761 |
| 3 | 43.8 | 30.6 | 5.6 | 7.2 | 2,313 | 3.3 | 2,313 |
| 4 | 51.6 | 36.1 | 3.9 | 6.4 | 1,845 | 5.3 | 1,845 |
| Parish |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston | 43.8 | 32.9 | 3.9 | 6.2 | 644 | 8.0 | 644 |
| St. Andrew | 28.0 | 22.0 | 3.8 | 5.6 | 636 | 5.8 | 636 |
| St. Thomas | 40.5 | 31.8 | 2.1 | 4.2 | 504 | 4.9 | 504 |
| Porland | 40.6 | 29.3 | 5.7 | 6.5 | 516 | 3.4 | 516 |
| St. Mary | 47.3 | 32.8 | 0.7 | 9.3 | 542 | 2.5 | 542 |
| St. Ann | 58.1 | 44.8 | 2.0 | 6.3 | 703 | 2.5 | 703 |
| Trelawny | 55.0 | 38.8 | 4.3 | 4.8 | 516 | 2.4 | 516 |
| St. James | 37.5 | 24.6 | 3.0 | 5.1 | 635 | 3.9 | 635 |
| Hanover | 15.2 | 13.4 | 2.1 | 4.6 | 541 | 2.1 | 541 |
| Westmoreland | 58.8 | 41.6 | 11.0 | 12.1 | 621 | 3.8 | 621 |
| St. Elizabeth | 43.2 | 32.2 | 3.5 | 6.7 | 528 | 2.9 | 528 |
| Manchester | 59.5 | 35.5 | 4.0 | 5.0 | 668 | 2.8 | 668 |
| Clarendon | 50.6 | 39.5 | 4.3 | 7.4 | 649 | 9.2 | 649 |
| St. Catherine | 47.3 | 37.4 | 3.2 | 8.8 | 556 | 7.4 | 556 |
| Age group |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 31.9 | 27.9 | 2.1 | 4.7 | 1,229 | 3.3 | 1,229 |
| 20-24 | 45.9 | 35.7 | 3.2 | 7.9 | 1,114 | 7.2 | 1,114 |
| 25-29 | 49.4 | 38.8 | 6.0 | 12.4 | 1,350 | 7.2 | 1,350 |
| 30-34 | 50.8 | 35.9 | 6.6 | 7.4 | 1,219 | 6.0 | 1,219 |
| 35-39 | 45.0 | 30.7 | 2.7 | 4.7 | 1,221 | 3.7 | 1,221 |
| 40-44 | 41.9 | 27.2 | 2.8 | 4.7 | 1,084 | 3.7 | 1,084 |
| 45-49 | 44.4 | 28.8 | 3.1 | 5.7 | 1,042 | 4.7 | 1,042 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Married | 38.9 | 22.1 | 1.0 | 2.4 | 1,441 | 2.0 | 1,441 |
| Common law union | 46.8 | 34.7 | 5.0 | 9.8 | 2,158 | 8.8 | 2,158 |
| Visiting relationship | 50.4 | 40.2 | 5.7 | 9.5 | 2,279 | 6.2 | 2,279 |
| Boyfriend with sex | 62.0 | 54.3 | 4.4 | 12.5 | 281 | 9.5 | 281 |
| Boyfriend without sex | 38.2 | 32.2 | 0.9 | 2.4 | 197 | 1.0 | 197 |
| No steady relationship | 34.2 | 23.9 | 2.4 | 3.7 | 1,903 | 2.4 | 1,903 |
| Education level (in years) ${ }^{\dagger} \mathrm{t}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-9 | 43.4 | 29.2 | 2.7 | 5.8 | 2,183 | 6.6 | 2,183 |
| 10-12 | 42.7 | 32.3 | 4.2 | 7.2 | 5,078 | 5.1 | 5,078 |
| 13 or more | 50.4 | 38.8 | 4.2 | 7.6 | 995 | 3.5 | 995 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 46.4 | 33.1 | 3.4 | 6.2 | 2,001 | 6.9 | 2,001 |
| Second | 45.0 | 31.9 | 4.1 | 6.9 | 1,716 | 6.6 | 1,716 |
| Middle | 42.1 | 31.4 | 2.5 | 7.2 | 1,668 | 3.2 | 1,668 |
| Fourth | 44.0 | 32.8 | 5.3 | 7.7 | 1,650 | 5.1 | 1,650 |
| Highest | 42.0 | 33.1 | 3.8 | 6.6 | 1,224 | 4.2 | 1,224 |
| Sexual experience |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| No | 22.2 | 18.1 | 0.5 | 1.2 | 817 | 0.4 | 817 |
| Yes | 47.1 | 34.6 | 4.3 | 7.8 | 7,442 | 5.9 | 7,442 |

[^66]| Table 11.5.2B <br> Prevalence of Alcohol and Drug Use among Men Aged 15-24 Years by Selected Characteristics Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Characteristic | Alcohol Use |  |  |  |  | Drug Use |  |
|  | Ever Drunk* | Drunk in the <br> Past 12 <br> Months | Drink at Least Once per Week | Binge Drunk in the Past Month | No. of Cases | Used Drugs in the Past 12 Months | No. of Cases |
| Total | 64.9 | 61.4 | 15.6 | 27.9 | 2,775 | 21.1 | 2,775 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 73.4 | 70.9 | 22.9 | 41.3 | 380 | 28.8 | 380 |
| Other urban | 67.8 | 63.6 | 15.1 | 26.8 | 759 | 22.3 | 759 |
| Rural | 60.6 | 57.2 | 13.7 | 24.6 | 1,636 | 18.0 | 1,636 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 67.6 | 63.9 | 15.5 | 28.2 | 789 | 23.8 | 789 |
| 2 | 66.1 | 61.8 | 8.4 | 28.6 | 552 | 22.2 | 552 |
| 3 | 60.4 | 56.3 | 21.1 | 25.0 | 775 | 19.1 | 775 |
| 4 | 65.0 | 62.7 | 14.2 | 30.2 | 659 | 18.6 | 659 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston | 71.0 | 64.2 | 17.0 | 39.9 | 209 | 35.6 | 209 |
| St. Andrew | 70.2 | 68.2 | 23.4 | 40.1 | 201 | 26.5 | 201 |
| St. Thomas | 40.1 | 38.3 | 9.3 | 14.7 | 212 | 18.4 | 212 |
| Porland | 54.2 | 49.5 | 13.2 | 16.9 | 182 | 24.2 | 182 |
| St. Mary | 69.8 | 63.2 | 3.8 | 36.8 | 186 | 20.1 | 186 |
| St. Ann | 69.5 | 67.2 | 9.6 | 28.2 | 184 | 22.9 | 184 |
| Trelawny | 61.3 | 54.9 | 16.6 | 17.4 | 170 | 18.5 | 170 |
| St. James | 72.3 | 67.3 | 24.0 | 23.6 | 215 | 22.0 | 215 |
| Hanover | 54.8 | 51.0 | 22.8 | 22.1 | 181 | 27.6 | 181 |
| Westmoreland | 49.0 | 46.6 | 18.4 | 31.0 | 209 | 11.3 | 209 |
| St. Elizabeth | 75.4 | 72.7 | 27.7 | 28.3 | 217 | 16.5 | 217 |
| Manchester | 59.8 | 56.6 | 5.2 | 36.3 | 236 | 17.8 | 236 |
| Clarendon | 61.6 | 60.9 | 12.3 | 24.9 | 206 | 21.2 | 206 |
| St. Catherine | 69.6 | 64.6 | 7.9 | 15.7 | 167 | 19.4 | 167 |
| Age group |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 55.3 | 51.6 | 8.7 | 19.2 | 1,652 | 14.1 | 1,652 |
| 20-24 | 78.8 | 75.6 | 25.6 | 40.6 | 1,123 | 31.1 | 1,123 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Married/common law union | 85.5 | 80.7 | 30.2 | 43.2 | 162 | 42.3 | 162 |
| Visiting relationship | 83.3 | 81.4 | 26.6 | 44.9 | 554 | 29.2 | 554 |
| Girlfriend with sex | 74.3 | 70.5 | 18.8 | 33.9 | 829 | 24.0 | 829 |
| Girlfriend without sex | 55.3 | 50.8 | 3.8 | 12.3 | 410 | 9.0 | 410 |
| No steady relationship | 43.0 | 39.4 | 8.1 | 15.0 | 820 | 14.7 | 820 |
| Education level (in years) ${ }^{\dagger}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-9 | 54.3 | 51.2 | 13.7 | 22.4 | 687 | 16.8 | 687 |
| 10-12 | 68.3 | 64.5 | 15.9 | 29.5 | 1,944 | 22.5 | 1,944 |
| 13 or more | 68.3 | 66.3 | 20.8 | 32.2 | 130 | 21.7 | 130 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 61.5 | 57.3 | 15.8 | 27.5 | 632 | 25.3 | 632 |
| Second | 63.8 | 60.0 | 12.2 | 27.3 | 620 | 20.0 | 620 |
| Middle | 71.0 | 69.1 | 15.6 | 25.8 | 512 | 25.2 | 512 |
| Fourth | 64.7 | 60.9 | 20.1 | 31.8 | 538 | 19.2 | 538 |
| Highest | 63.2 | 59.4 | 14.3 | 27.1 | 473 | 15.1 | 473 |
| Sexual experience |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| No | 31.9 | 28.3 | 1.6 | 5.3 | 714 | 3.4 | 714 |
| Yes | 75.9 | 72.5 | 20.3 | 35.5 | 2,061 | 27.0 | 2,061 |

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## Chapter 12

## Young Adults

As with previous surveys, the 2008 Jamaican RHS survey included a separate module that was administered to adolescents (ages 15-19 years) and young women and men (ages 20-24 years) to assess their sexual and reproductive behaviors. Young adults are an important group to consider when assessing reproductive health issues in Jamaica, especially given that: they make up almost a third of the population; they start sexual experience early ( $84 \%$ have had experience by age 20); and almost all report sexual initiation prior to formal or consensual unions. This chapter explores survey findings regarding young adults' sexual experiences, contraceptive use, sexual partners-all of which can be particularly valuable information for planning reproductive health strategies and sex education for young people. In addition, the survey explored exposure to family life education, participation in community-based activities and resiliency against highrisk behaviors, and their impact on knowledge, attitudes, and sexual activity.

### 12.1 Characteristics of the Young Adults

In this chapter, several tables are presented to show multi-survey comparisons. Table 12.1.1 includes the age distribution of young women and men interviewed in each survey.

Generally, slightly more than half of young adult women and men interviewed in each survey were of adolescent age (aged 15-19 years). In each survey, the 15-17-year-olds represented the largest age group. Table 12.1.2 shows the percent distribution of employment status in 2008, 2002, and 1997. While young women were more likely to be at home, young men were more likely to be employed than young women across the surveys; however, the percentage of those who are employed was steadily declining among young men from $50.2 \%$ in 1997 to $35.8 \%$ in 2008. This reduction seems to have been compensated not by unemployment but by an increase in school enrollment.

Table 12.1.3 and Figure 12.1 show current relationship status in 2008. Young women were more likely to be in a union (marital, common-law, and visiting) rather than to be with a boyfriend compared with young men. In particular, while young men who reported having a girlfriend with whom they had sexual relations constituted $29.9 \%$ of the sample, the corresponding figure for young females was only $8.2 \%$. Young women were more likely than young men to report not being in a steady relationship. Between 2002 and 2008, the proportion of $15-24$-year-olds in a stable relationship at the time of the survey (i.e. married, common-law, or visiting partnership)
had declined for women (from 57.2\% to 50.1\%) and particularly for men (from 46.1\% to 26.1\%) (data not shown).

Figure 12.1
Union Relationship Status among
Young Women and Men Aged 15-24 Years: Jamaica, 2008


### 12.2 Exposure to Sexual Experience

Table 12.2.1 shows the percentage of young women and men who reported sexual experience across four surveys over the past 15 years. In 2008, two-thirds of women and three-fourths of men aged 15-24 years reported being sexually experienced (defined as having ever had sexual intercourse). Between 1993 and 2008, the percentage with sexual experience steadily declined by around 10 percentage points (from $74.8 \%$ to $66.4 \%$ for women and from $84.4 \%$ to $74.9 \%$ for men), and this decline was concentrated among those aged 15-17 years, for both women and men. Throughout the period considered in the table, young men were more likely to have had sexual intercourse than young women at any given age (Figure 12.2).

Table 12.2.2 shows the percentage of young adults with sexual experience by several characteristics based on the 2008 survey results. The reported rates of sexual experience among young women did not vary by urban/rural residence and was higher among residents of Health Region 4 ( $72.6 \%$ ). Among men, however, the reported sexual experience was higher among Kingston residents (85.8\%) and residents of Health Region 1 (79.6\%), which includes Kingston.

Educational attainment was positively associated with sexual experience, that is, the more educated young adults were, the more likely that they had experienced sexual intercourse. This is likely due in part to the age effect on education attainment, since adolescent women and

Figure 12.2
Trends in Sexual Experience among Young Women and Men Aged 15-19 and 20-24 Years: Jamaica, 2008

men have not yet had a chance to complete their desired level of education. Rates of being sexually experienced ranged from $47.9 \%$ and $54.8 \%$ among the least educated women and men (0-9 years of schooling) to $69.6 \%$ and $81.0 \%$ among those with $10-12$ years of schooling and $74.8 \%$ and $88.3 \%$ among women and men with a university education.

On the other hand, the wealth quintile of the household was inversely associated with sexual experience among young women, that is, women residing in households in the two lowest quintiles were more likely to report sexual experience than women residing in more affluent households. There was no clear association between the household wealth quintile and sexual experience among young men. Frequency of church attendance was inversely associated with sexual experience, with young adults who attended church at least once per week being the least likely to report sexual experience ( $46.1 \%$ of young women and $59.9 \%$ of young men).

### 12.3 First Sexual Intercourse

The respondents' date (month and year) of first sexual intercourse, birth date, and age at time of the interview were used to estimate young adults' age at first sexual intercourse. Table 12.3.1 and Figure 12.3 .1 show the percentage of those who had their first sexual intercourse by age 15 , 18, 20, 22, and 25 years (life-table estimates).

Sex at young ages is thought to be more risky than if it occurs later in life. Young women are more susceptible to sexual transmission of HIV before the genital tract has fully matured. Young women and men are more likely to have partnerships of short duration and perhaps less formal relationships than those of older people. Further, they are less likely to live with their sexual partners and more likely to have concurrent partners and unprotected intercourse, increasing the risk of sexually transmitted infections. The life table estimates in Table 12.3 .1 show that $11.9 \%$ of young women and $34.7 \%$ of young men reported having had sexual intercourse before age 15 . Only $59 \%$ of young women and $76.5 \%$ of young men had had sexual intercourse by age 18. By age 22, however, the gap between reporting sexual experience between women and men disappears, with almost all young women and men reporting sexual debut (91.7\% and 92.4\%, respectively).


Table 12.3.1 also shows that the previous positive association between education level and sexual experience was indeed influenced by the age-effect on education attainment. Life-table analyses demonstrate that less educated women were more likely to have had sex before the age of 15 than their more educated counterparts ( $21.5 \%$ vs. $10.6 \%$ and $5.2 \%$, respectively). This effect persisted among those who postponed sexual experience to age 18 or age 20 and converged only among women who reported sexual experience after age 20. Among men, the effect of education was less pronounced, and men with education attainment of 10-12 years were the most likely to report sexual experience at any given age. The effect of the wealth quintile of the household was also different among young women and men. While women residing in households in the two wealthiest quintiles were the least likely to report sexual
experience at any given age, men's reports of age at first sexual experience does not seem to be influenced by the wealth index.

Table 12.3.2 and Figure 12.3.2 show a cross-survey comparison of mean age at which young adults had their sexual debut. Across the surveys, young men reported an average age at sexual debut that was 2 years younger than that of young women. The mean age of sexual debut had increased slightly between 1993 and 2008; however, there was a slightly greater increase in age at first intercourse among men than among women (from 13.9 to 14.5 years for men and from 15.9 to 16.1 years for women). The increase in mean age at first sexual experience among both women and men was more pronounced among the best educated respondents, whose increase between 2002 and 2008 was 1.9 years among men (from 13.7 to 15.6 years) and 1.3 years among women (from 16.1 to 17.4 years).

Figure 12.3.2
Trends in Mean Age at First Sexual Experience among Young Women and Men Aged 15-24 Years: Jamaica, 1993-2008


Table 12.3.3A shows the relationship to the first sexual partner among sexually experienced young women in 1997, 2002, and 2008. The vast majority of women reported the first sexual encounter to be with a "boyfriend" ( $88.5 \%$ in $2008,80.7 \%$ in 2002 and $82.7 \%$ in 1997). The corresponding data for males are presented in Table 12.3.3B, and show substantially smaller percentages of men whose first sexual partner was a "girlfriend" ( $57.2 \%, 44.2 \%$ and $37.7 \%$, respectively). Among men, the proportion whose first sexual partner was a "girlfriend" increased while the proportion whose first sexual partner was a "friend" decreased substantially over time (from $47.8 \%$ in 1997 to $32.1 \%$ in 2008). Among young women and particularly among young men, there was a sharp decline in reports of first sexual intercourse with a casual acquaintance (from $2.2 \%$ to $0.9 \%$ and from 12.8 to $4.3 \%$ in 1997 and 2008, respectively).

Table 12.3.4 and Figure 12.3 .3 show the percentage distribution of age difference between young women and men and their first partners. The majority of women reported first sexual intercourse with partners who were older: 48.6\% reported partners 1-4 years older, $24.8 \%$ reported partners 5-9 years older and $10.6 \%$ reported partners 10 or more years older. Sex between young women and older men is particularly risky because young women lack the power in the relationship to negotiate safe sex. In countries with high HIV prevalence, each sexual act with an infected man carries a higher risk of infection for a young girl, and older men are more likely than younger men to be infected.

Although many men also reported first intercourse with older partners ( $35.2 \%, 4.2 \%$ and $0.9 \%$, respectively), most had the first intercourse with partners younger (26.5\%) or the same age (28.8\%). Among women, rural residence, low education level, and low wealth quintile of their households were associated with having a first partner at least 10 years older. Among both women and men, their age at first sexual encounter was directly correlated with the likelihood to have a first sexual partner of the same age or younger.


Table 12.3.5A shows the duration of dating before the first sexual intercourse among sexually experienced young women. The most common length was 6-12 months (40.1\%), including $22.0 \%$ of women who dated for one year, followed by $1-5$ months ( $31.0 \%$ ), and $2-5$ years (23.5\%). A relatively small percentage of young women (4.9\%) reported that they dated for less than one month before their first sexual intercourse. These women were characterized by the lowest education level ( $7.9 \%$ ) and the lowest wealth quintile ( $7.4 \%$ ). Conversely, women who dated 2-5 years before their first sexual intercourse were more likely to be well educated and from the higher wealth quintiles. Table 12.3 .5 B shows that the highest percentage of men
(32.6\%) reported dating for 1-5 months prior to the first sexual experience and 32.5\% of men dating for 6-12 months, including 19.7\% of men who dated for one year. A substantially larger percentage of men (17.9\%) than women (4.9\%), reported having first sexual experience after less than a month of dating; these men were more likely to be very young (15-17 years), not currently in a steady relationship, and with low socioeconomic status.

Coercive experiences at sexual debut have been shown to be associated with other negative sexual, reproductive and psychological outcomes. These outcomes may include sexually transmitted infections including HIV, unintended pregnancy which can possibly lead to unsafe abortion and abortion-related morbidity and even mortality, and risk-taking behaviors including transactional sex, multiple partnerships, and unprotected sexual intercourse.

Table 12.3.6 shows the percentage of sexually experienced women and men who reported that their first sexual intercourse was coerced. For women, "coercion" was defined by either the respondent indicating that she "did not want [to have intercourse] but it happened anyway," or that she was "forced to have sex." For men, it was defined by stating that he "really did not want it to happen." Almost one in two young women (48.8\%) and very few young men (4.4\%) were categorized as having had coerced first sexual intercourse. Among women, the percentage of coercive sexual experience was positively associated with lower education and younger age at first sexual intercourse, particularly age under 14 years ( $p<0.05$ ), whereas these associations did not exist for young men.

Most youths who experienced forced first sexual relations reported that the perpetrator was a boyfriend ( $85.2 \%$ of women) or a girlfriend ( $48.6 \%$ of men); $7.7 \%$ of women and $34.6 \%$ of men reported coerced first sexual intercourse with a friend or acquaintance (Figure 12.3.4).

Figure 12.3.4
Relationship with the First Sexual Partner among Young Women and Men Aged 15-24 Who Reported Coerced First Sexual Experience


### 12.4 Contraceptive Use and Non-Use at First Sexual Intercourse

Table 12.4.1A and Figure 12.4.1 show cross-survey comparisons of contraceptive use at first sexual intercourse. The percentage of women who used contraceptives at first sexual encounter increased significantly between 1993 and 2008 (from 42.7\% to 79.2\%), including a substantial increase after 2002 (from 67.3\% to 79.2) ( $\mathrm{p}<0.01$ ). Contraceptive use at the first intercourse increased with the increase in the age at first sexual intercourse, number of years of schooling and socioeconomic status across survey years. It was generally higher among young women whose first intercourse was with a boyfriend than among women in another type of relationship.

Table 12.4.1B and Figure 12.4 .2 show corresponding figures for young men. Contraceptive use at first intercourse among young men has been less common than among young women throughout the period; however, similar to the trend reported by young women, it had substantially increased between 1993 and 2008 (from 21.6\% to 57.5\%), including a significant increase after 2002 (from 43.0\% to 57.5\%) (p<0.01). As was the case with young women, contraceptive use at first intercourse was higher if the age at first intercourse was older, if the first sexual experience was with a girlfriend, and if young men had 13 or more years of education.


Figure 12.4.2
Contraceptive Use at the First Sexual Experience among Young Men Aged 15-24 Years: Jamaica, 1993-2008


Virtually all women and men ( $94.8 \%$ and $96.6 \%$ ) who said they had used a method of contraception at the first intercourse reported they used condoms. Very few reported they had used withdrawal ( $2.6 \%$ and $3.0 \%$, respectively) or the pill ( $1.8 \%$ and $.4 \%$, respectively) (data not shown).

Table 12.4.2 lists the source of condoms among women and men who used condoms at their first sexual intercourse. Due to the different response categories, the estimates for 2008 are not entirely comparable with estimates from previous surveys. In 2008, the largest percentage of young women, $31.6 \%$, reported that the condoms used at the first intercourse were provided by their partners, followed by $27.7 \%$ reporting that condoms were procured from pharmacies and 24.1\% from shops or market stores. Previous survey results have also shown that pharmacies and stores were among the most cited sources of condoms used at the first intercourse, but it is unclear if they were sources used by the female respondents or by their partners. Among young men, the largest percentage obtained condoms at shops or market stores (47.7\%); $26.6 \%$ of young men reported that a friend, parent, or relative was providing the condoms used at the first sexual experience.

As in previous surveys, the most common reason cited by women for not using contraceptives was "did not expect to have sex" (47.8\%), followed by "negligence" (19.8\%) (Table 12.4.3 and Figure 12.4.3). The most commonly reported reason among men was also "did not expect to have sex" (28.7\%), followed by "did not know of any methods" (21.1\%) and "did not think it was necessary" (15.2\%).

Figure 12.4.3
Main Reasons for Not Using Contraception at First Sexual Experience among Young Women and Men Aged 15-24 Years: Jamaica, 2008


### 12.5 Use of Contraception at Most Recent Sexual Intercourse

Table 12.5.1 shows current sexual activity status. As expected, the vast majority (82.2\%-89.7\%) of women who were in marital, common-law, or visiting unions reported current sexual activity (i.e. sexual intercourse within the last 30 days prior to the interview). However, a significant portion of women not currently in union were also currently sexually active (36.3\%). Similarly, large percentages of young men in unions reported current sexual activity ( $86.7 \%-90.3 \%$ ) and more than half of men (57.7\%) not in a union also reported sexual activity.

Table 12.5.2 shows that $81.5 \%$ of young women and $83.9 \%$ of young men reported the use of contraceptives at the most recent sexual intercourse in the last 30 days. Being in union was associated with lower contraceptive use at last intercourse among all young adults ( $80.6 \%$ in union vs. $87.9 \%$ not in union among young women and $75.9 \%$ vs. $90.5 \%$ among young men).

Among young women and young men, the most commonly used method at the last recent sexual experience was the condom ( $42.9 \%$ and $73.9 \%$, respectively). Disaggregation by young adults' union status revealed that condoms had substantially greater use among women not currently in union than those currently in union ( $63.9 \%$ and $40.0 \%$, respectively); similarly, condoms were more commonly used by men engaged in non-regular sexual partnerships than those in stable unions ( $84.1 \%$ vs. $61.5 \%$ ). The second most used method among women was the pill, used by $20.4 \%$ of respondents; its use did not vary significantly by current relationship status, perhaps because it is preferred by users not currently in union but with relatively
established non-union relationships. Pill use was also reported the second most used method at the last intercourse of young men.

The overall use of contraception increased from $62.8 \%$ in 1993 to $81.5 \%$ in 2008 among young women and from $64.5 \%$ in 1993 to $83.9 \%$ in 2008 among young men (Figures 12.5.1 and 12.5.2). Among young women, there was a pronounced increase in use of any method at the last recent sexual experience between 2002 and 2008 (a 21\% increase), whereas among young men there was little change in use during this time interval. Both groups reported a substantial increase (41-42\%) in condom use between 1993 and 2008: from $30.3 \%$ to $42.9 \%$ among women and from $52.3 \%$ to $73.9 \%$ among men. Among sexually experienced young women, use of oral contraceptives at the last recent intercourse had fluctuated, from $22.4 \%$ in 1993, to a high level of $26.6 \%$ in 1997 , to $14.7 \%$ in 2002 and $20.4 \%$ in 2008 . At the same time, the use of injectables at the last intercourse, the third most used method in all surveys, had tripled (from 4.4\% in 1993 to $12.7 \%$ in 2008).

Figure 12.5.1
Use of Contraceptives at the Last Intercourse in the Last 30 Days among Young Women Aged 15-24 Years: Jamaica 1993-2008


Figure 12.5.2
Use of Contraceptives at the Last Intercourse in the Last 30 Days among Young Men Aged 15-24 Years: Jamaica 1993-2008


Consistent correct use of condoms with non-regular sexual partners (i.e. non-cohabiting, nonmarital partners) substantially reduces the risk of transmission of STIs, including HIV/AIDS and is one of the recommended indicators to monitor HIV prevention programs that target changes in sexual behaviors among young adults. The indicator is calculated as the proportion of young adults who had sex with a non-cohabiting, non-marital partner in the preceding 12 months and used a condom the last time they had sex with such a partner.

Overall, young women and men were equally likely to report condom use at the last higher-risk sexual encounter in the last 12 months ( $74.3 \%$ vs. $73.8 \%$ ). Compared to respondents aged 2024, adolescents (15-19 years of age) reported higher levels of condom use at last sex with a non-regular sexual partner, which may suggest recent increases in the rates of protected higherrisk sexual intercourse. Age differentials in condom use could also be a reflection of the type of partnership and the rate at which new partners are acquired. Usually, sexually experienced adolescents are more likely to have less stable partners and change them more frequently than the 20-24 year-olds. If condoms are used more often at the onset of new partnerships than in more established yet non-regular relationships, the higher condom use reported by adolescents may not necessary be a measure of consistent use. However, the adolescent Jamaican women (ages 15-19 years) reported, on average, comparative numbers of sexual partners during the last 12 months as those reported by the 20-24 year-olds and this effect persisted after stratification by their union status (Table 12.5.3). Similarly, the adolescent men not currently in a union relationship reported, on average, one partner less than the 20-24 year-old men not in union. Thus, the higher rates of condom use with non-regular partners among 15-19 year-olds seems to be an indication of success of the recent IEC and behavioral modification efforts targeting Jamaican adolescents.

Figure 12.5.3
Number of Sexual Partners During the Last 12 Months and Lifetime among Young Women and Men Aged 15-24 Years: Jamaica, 2008


The number of sexual partners in the past 12 months and lifetime among sexually experienced women and men aged 15-24 years is shown in Table 12.5.3 and Figure 12.5.3. Only 6.2\% of sexually experienced young women had abstained from sex during the last 12 months. The majority of them were currently in non-cohabitating and non-marital relationships. The vast majority of young women (83.5\%) had only one sexual partner in the last 12 months and less than one percent reported 4 or more recent sexual partners. The average number of partners during the last 12 months did not vary significantly among 15-19 and 20-20-year olds, by their current union status.

One third of young women (33.0\%) had also reported only one lifetime partner, while 29.4\% reported $2,14.4 \%$ reported 3 , and $21.4 \%$ reported 4 or more lifetime partners. Women not currently in union were more likely to report only one lifetime partner, probably due to their younger age compared to women currently in union.

Table 12.5.3 (bottom panel) and Figure 12.5.3 also show that a small proportion (9.6\%) of sexually experienced young men reported no sexual relations in the last 12 months. About one third $(38.7 \%)$ reported only one partner in the last 12 months. One in two young men reported multiple sexual partners, including $28.3 \%$ who reported $2,7.9 \%$ who reported 3 and $15.3 \%$ who reported 4 or more sexual partners. The majority of young men (67.5\%) reported at least 4 lifetime sexual partners while very few (10.8\%) reported only one lifetime sexual partner.

On average, young men reported almost two more sexual partners in the last 12 months ( 3.0 vs. 1.1 partners) and four more lifetime sexual partners than young women ( 7.3 vs .3 .0 partners).

Among both young women and men, being currently in union (and presumably older) was associated with a higher mean number of recent or lifetime sexual partners.

Transactional sex among youth, defined as exchange of money or gifts for sex, may lead to unwanted pregnancy and transmission of STIs including HIV because young women may be less able to negotiate condom use and timing of sex. One in seven ( $14.2 \%$ ) sexually experienced young men and $3.9 \%$ sexually experienced young women reported ever engaging in at least one episode of transactional sex (Table 12.5.4). Among women, engagement in transactional sex was associated with lower education attainment, living in households in the two lowest wealth quintiles, and reports of early sexual debut, particularly age under 15 years. In contrast, education, wealth quintile, and age at first sexual intercourse did not seem to have clear associations with transactional sex among young men.

### 12.6 Discussions about Family Life Education Topics with Parents

All 15-24-year-old respondents were asked about conversations with parents regarding selected sex and reproductive health topics before they reached age 18. Topics explored included the menstrual cycle (female respondents only), how pregnancy occurs, contraceptive methods (only condom use for male respondents), and sexually transmitted infections (STIs). Since the data for 15-17-year-olds are truncated, due to the fact that they have not yet reached age 18, the data for this age group should be considered minimum estimates only.

Table 12.6 .1 shows that $71.0 \%$ of young women reported that they had received information about the menstrual cycle from a parent or guardian. Out of the women who received information about the menstrual cycle, $72.2 \%$ said that it was easy to discuss, followed by $21.5 \%$ who said it was somewhat difficult. The percentages of those who received information and those who considered the discussion easy were both associated with higher education level and wealth quintiles.

Figure 12.6, Tables 12.6.2A and B, and Tables 12.6.3A and B show comparative data for young women and men related to parent-child conversations about how pregnancies occur, contraception, and STIs.

Figure 12.6
Discussions with a Parent or Guardian of Specific FLE Topics before Reaching Age 18 Reported by Young Women and Men Aged 15-24


Talking to parents about pregnancy was more prevalent among women than among men (69.2\% vs. $55.9 \%$ ), while conversations about methods of birth control (condom discussions for men) were less prevalent for both; only $46.6 \%$ of young women talked to a parent or guardian before age 18 about contraception, while $53.1 \%$ of young men reported talks about condoms. Similar proportions of young women and men ( $61.4 \%$ and $62.7 \%$, respectively) had spoken with their parents before age 18 about STIs, including HIV/AIDS.

As shown in Tables 12.6.2.A and B, talking to a parent or guardian about pregnancy and how it occurs was slightly more prevalent among young women living in urban areas and in higher wealth quintile groups. These women were also more likely to report that it was easy to discuss this topic with a parent. As was the case for young women, young men living in urban areas and with higher education and wealth quintile were generally more likely to have had any such conversations with their parents and be comfortable about the topic.

Among the 46.6\% of women who received information on contraceptive methods, most (69.4\%) said that the discussion was easy and only $22.5 \%$ reported that it was somewhat difficult (Table 12.6.3A). Again, receipt of the information and perception of ease of the discussion were both associated with higher level of education and, less clearly, wealth quintiles. Among men, 53.1\% of young men reported that they received information about condoms from a parent or stepparent (Table 12.6.3B). Of those, $73.2 \%$ considered that the discussion about condoms was easy, while $21.3 \%$ reported it to be somewhat difficult. Similar to, but less clearly than among women, the receipt of the information and perception of ease of the discussion were associated with higher education levels and wealth quintiles.

### 12.7 Exposure to Formal Family Life Education

Young women and young men were also asked whether, before they reached age 18, they had ever received formal instruction in school or out of school (i.e. in church, health clinic, youth centre, or youth club) about the following topics of family life education (FLE): menstrual cycle, pregnancy and how it occurs, condoms, other modern contraceptive methods such as the pill, IUD or injectables, HIV/AIDS, other STIs, and abstinence. Young women and men who did not receive any of these classes or courses were classified as not having received formal FLE. Similar to the data on discussions with parents, the data for sex education for 15-17-year-olds in schools is truncated, as these respondents have not yet reached the age of 18. Therefore, the data for this age group are considered to be a minimum estimate only.

Table 12.7 .1 shows the receipt of any school-based or other formal FLE courses across RHS surveys conducted between 1997 and 2008 among young women and men. Generally, young women reported slightly higher exposure to FLE courses than young men. The proportion of women who received any FLE courses increased slightly between 1997 and 2008 (from 86.2\% to $89.6 \%$ ), whereas the proportion of men reporting formal FLE increased by $10 \%$ (from $76.4 \%$ in 1997 to $83.5 \%$ in 2008). The vast majority of young women and men received a FLE class/course at school and few reported classes outside the school (data not shown).

Table 12.7.2 and Figures 12.7 .1 and 12.7 .2 show that the most common FLE topic encountered by respondents interviewed in 2008 was pregnancy and how it occurs ( $93.2 \%$ ), followed by menstrual cycle (92.7\%) among women, and HIV/AIDS and condoms (93.9\% and 92.5\%, respectively) among men. Generally, in any given survey, women were more likely than men to report receipt of courses related to pregnancy and menstrual cycle and men were more likely than women to report courses about condoms and sexually transmitted diseases, including HIV.


Among both women and men, only the receipt of classes or courses related to HIV/AIDS has increased substantially over time (from 57.3\% in 1993 to $90.5 \%$ in 2008 among young women and from $60.0 \%$ to $93.9 \%$, respectively, among young men). The receipt of classes related to methods of birth control other than condoms seem to have declined recently.

Figure 12.7.2
Trends in Prevalence of Sex Education in School by Specific Topic among Young Men Aged 15-24 Years Jamaica 1993-2008


Often, formal instruction on FLE topics was accompanied by information on counseling services available for adolescents (Table 12.7.2). In 2008, $74.3 \%$ of young women and $67.9 \%$ of young men reported that they also received information on counseling services. About one in two women and men aged 15-24 years had also reported they received information about clinic services and contraceptive distribution for young adults during a FLE class or course.

### 12.8 Other Sources of Information on Sex, Contraception, and STIs

Young men and women aged 15-24 were asked which, in their opinion, had been their most important source of information on topics related to family life or sex education. Table 12.8.1A and Figure 12.8 .1 show that for one third of women ( $33.5 \%$ ), the most important source for this type of information was a parent or relative, followed by teachers or counselors (24.6\%), and their friends/peers (10.9\%). Printed materials, health workers and media, including the Internet, were mentioned by $10.3 \%, 9.9 \%$, and $8.2 \%$ of young women, respectively. Both relatives and teachers were somewhat more important sources of information to the youngest women and those with fewer years of education (presumably still in school), while friends and peers were primarily mentioned by women who have never had formal FLE instruction.

Figure 12.8.1
Preferred Source of Information about Family Life Education among Women and Men Aged 15-24 Years: Jamaica, 2008


Similarly, most young men reported parents or relatives (30.4\%) or teachers/counselors (30.9\%) as the most important source of sexual education (Table 12.8.1B and Figure 12.8.1). Men were more likely than women to report friends and peers as the best source (16.7\% vs. $10.9 \%$ ). As it was observed among women, the youngest men and those with fewer years of schooling were
more likely to report parents, relatives and teachers as the most important source of this type of information; men who never had formal FLE classes believed that friends and peers were the most important source of information.

Respondents were also asked to rate the helpfulness of each of the following sources of information about family life or sex education topics (Table 12.8.2). Teachers were rated as "very helpful" by two-thirds of young women and men. Parents and relatives were considered helpful by only one in two young adults. Young women were more likely than young men to report media sources and printed materials as very helpful, while both groups believed that friends and peers were not very helpful sources.

Tables 12.8 .3 A and B and Figure 12.8 .2 show the level of recent exposure (during the last 6 months) to FLE content in mass media among young adults. The vast majority of young women and men reported having seen or heard FLE messages distributed through television ( $83.1 \%$ and $82.7 \%$ respectively) and radio commercials ( $74.8 \%$ and $73.8 \%$ ). Fewer young adults ( $47.0 \%$ of women and $37.5 \%$ of men) reported seeing the National Family Planning Board (NFPB) TV program "Teen Seen" that focuses primarily on providing young people with an avenue for voicing and interacting on adolescent sexual and reproductive health issues and concerns. About one in five young adults reported viewing the NFPB-supported Teen Forum. The JA-STYLE "Outta Road" radio drama was heard by only $22.2 \%$ of young female and $7.9 \%$ of young male respondents.

Figure 12.8.2
Exposure to FLE Messages through Various Media Programs Reported by Young Women and Men Aged 15-24: Jamaica, 2008


This series started to air only recently in Jamaica and is part of the USAID-supported JA-STYLE (Jamaica's Solution to Youth Lifestyle and Empowerment) program, designed to encourage adolescents to make healthier and wiser choices about their reproductive and sexual health, HIV/AIDS, violence, and substance use. The Marge Roper radio program was the least mentioned media program among both women and men ( $11.3 \%$ and $4.7 \%$, respectively). Lack of exposure to any media messages or programs was associated with fewer years of schooling and lower wealth quintiles.

Tables 12.8.4A and B and Figure 12.8 .3 show self-assessed behavioral change after the exposure to these programmes. Among listeners or viewers of specific programs, youth exposed to the "Teen Seen" program reported more self-perceived behavioral change than youths exposed to any other media source ( $23.9 \%$ of women and $25.6 \%$ of men). Listeners of the Marge Roper radio program, although very few, reported the second highest self-perceived change in health behaviors ( $19.0 \%$ of women and $16.6 \%$ of men), followed closely by those exposed to the JASTYLE "Outta Road" radio drama ( $17.3 \%$ and $16.4 \%$, respectively).


Table 12.8.5A and $B$ show percentages of women and men who had ever seen or heard messages distributed by the JA-STYLE program. In addition to the "Outta Road" radio drama, which reaches youths across the island, the program also develops brochures, posters, videos, and CDs distributed through targeted community activities for youths. Virtually all women and men who have been exposed to the program reported receiving messages about HIV/AIDS ( $95.9 \%$ of women and $90.6 \%$ of men). Women were more likely than men to report exposure to messages related to teen pregnancy ( $92.8 \%$ vs. $79.4 \%$ ), pregnancy prevention ( $91.6 \%$ vs. $83.7 \%$ )
and sexual abuse ( $87.3 \%$ vs. $75.4 \%$ ). Messages related to drug use and gender-based violence were equally reported by women and men ( $84.4 \%$ vs. $87.5 \%$ and $72.3 \%$ and $73.5 \%$, respectively).

Table 12.8 .6 shows that most young respondents had received health counseling related to HIV/AIDS ( $59.5 \%$ of women and $47.3 \%$ of men) and other STIs ( $58.3 \%$ of women and $45.4 \%$ of men). Counseling on family planning was much higher among women ( $54.6 \%$ ) than among men (32.4\%). Young women and men residing in the Kingston Metropolitan Area reported the highest level of health counseling, regardless of the topic.

### 12.9 Resiliency against High-Risk Behaviors

For the first time, the 2008 RHS explored several factors that could protect young people and increase their resiliency against adverse reproductive health outcomes, such as sex with nonsteady partners, multiple sexual partners, and inconsistent condom use with non-steady partners. These factors include participation in community-based activities, caring relationships in the home along with high expectations and feelings of connectedness to family, and similar relationships in the community, including school. The presence of caring relationships and high expectations inside and outside the home were explored only among adolescents aged 15-19 years.

Tables 12.9.1A and $B$ show the percentage of young women and men aged $15-24$ years who have ever participated in each of the various community activities designed for adolescents. One in five (19.4\%) women and a similar proportion of men reported having ever participated in one of these community-based activities. Church activities were the most commonly reported community-based activities among women (10.5\%), followed by after-school sporting activities (6.1\%), participation in 4 H clubs (4.5\%), and performance in drama or dance groups (4.1\%). After-school sports were the most common activities among men (13.7\%), followed by church activities (5.3\%), and participation in 4 H clubs (3.0\%) and in youth advocacy networks (2.4\%).

Participation in various community activities varied by respondents' education attainment and the wealth quintile of their household. The activities that were most commonly reported by women with the highest education and wealth quintile include church activities, drama or dance groups, educational (formal courses, homework programmes), debating, and marching band. Activities that were more common in the lower education and wealth groups include after school sporting activities and participation in youth clubs. Encouragingly, exposure to the JASTYLE program was associated with much higher participation in community activities designed for adolescents and young adults. The goal of the USAID-supported JA-STYLE program is to address the needs of adolescents by educating and empowering young people and the organizations that interact with them. To attain this goal, JA-STYLE provides technical and financial support to the Ministries of Health, National Security, and Education, Youth and Culture; to the Social Development Commission for the creation of sustainable after-school
activities; to mentoring programs, and partners with the business community to create new youth programs.

Tables 12.9.2A and $B$ show several markers of caring attitudes and high expectations inside of the home reported by adolescent women and men. The majority of women and men aged 15-19 years felt there were adults in their homes with "high expectations" of their behaviors. Among women, $95.6 \%$ said that there was an adult who "always want (them) to do (their) best", 95.3\% said there was an adult who "expects (them) to follow the rules," and $92.2 \%$ said there was an adult who "believes that (they) will be a success." Adolescent men reported similar levels of high expectations from adults in their homes.

Similarly high proportions of adolescents reported the presence of "caring attitudes" inside their homes. Almost all (90.5\%) adolescent women said they had an adult at home who "is interested in (their) school work," $87.4 \%$ had an adult who "listens to (them) when (they) have something to say," 87.4\% had an adult who "gives (them) enough attention, and $84.6 \%$ had an adult who "talks with (them) about (their) problems." Similarly, there were no sex differences in reports of specific caring attitudes.

Among all adolescents, the presence of high-expectations and caring markers were generally and linearly associated with higher wealth quintiles.

Tables 12.9.3A and B show high-expectations and caring markers outside the households. Similarly high percentages of adolescent women reported the presence of an adult with high expectations: 95.0\% had an adult who "always wants (them) to do (their) best," 94.1\% had an adult who "believes that (they) will be a success," and 92.5\% had an adult who "tells (them) when (they) do a good job." Even higher percentages of respondents said that they had an adult with caring attitudes outside the household than inside the households: $94.8 \%$ said that they had an adult who "really cares about (them)", $94.5 \%$ had an adult who "listens to (them) when (they) have something to say," $92.0 \%$ had an adult who "notices when (they) are upset about something," and $91.2 \%$ had an adult who "notices when (they) are not there." The proportion of men reporting high-expectations and caring attitudes outside the household were consistently lower than those for women, ranging from 90.3\% (adult who always wants the best efforts) to 77.8\% (adult who notices absence).

Table 12.9.4 shows the resilience status for both women and men aged 15-19 years using a composite index of 14 possible protective factors ( 7 protective factors from an adult at home and 7 from an adult outside the home). Adolescents with 10 or more protective factors (high expectations and caring attitudes) from an adult at home or outside the home were classified as having high resilience against high risk health behaviors. Those with 5 or more protective factors (high expectations and caring attitudes) from an adult at home were classified as having high inhome resilience and those with 5 or more protective factors from adults outside their homes were classified as having high out-of-home resilience. Generally, adolescent females were more
likely than men to have high out-of-home resilience. Their levels of in-home resilience were comparable with those of adolescent males.

### 12.10 Impact of Family Life Education on Reproductive Health Knowledge and Attitudes

Studies show that young people, particularly adolescents, are more likely than older cohorts to have experienced premarital sexual intercourse, and have a greater number of sexual partners, a higher incidence of unintended pregnancy, and an increased risk of sexually transmitted infections, including HIV/AIDS. A number of studies have demonstrated that quality sex education programs can delay the onset of sexual activity and result in an increased use of contraception. Likewise, participation in community activities and high expectations and caring attitudes at home and outside the home can increase youth resilience against adverse reproductive health outcomes. Here, we examine the potential impact of these protective factors on selected reproductive health knowledge and attitudes.

Knowledge of the most fertile time in a woman's menstrual cycle is an important measure of a couple's ability to assess the risk of pregnancy occurrence during unprotected intercourse, and is thereby an indicator of the potential to prevent unintended pregnancies. Although the majority of young women (93.2\%) and young men (86.3\%) had at least one course or class about the menstrual cycle (see also Table 12.7.2), taking a course on the topic does not necessarily translate into correct knowledge and subsequent safe sexual behaviors. To determine whether exposure to formal sex education has any impact on respondents' knowledge, all young women and men were asked to identify the time during the menstrual cycle when conception is most likely to occur (they were read a list of four choices). Overall, only 34.8\% of young women and $30.4 \%$ of young men were able to correctly identify the most fertile time (halfway between periods) during a woman's menstrual cycle (Table 12.10.1). With the exception of women and men with the highest education and wealth quintile, which had somewhat higher level of correct knowledge, there was little variation in correctly identifying the most fertile time. Moreover, most young adults who reported receipt of formal education on the menstrual cycle gave the wrong answer or did not know how to respond to the question. Similarly, there was no significant difference in the knowledge about the most fertile period by exposure to the JASTYLE program among women, while it seemed to increase the knowledge among men.

Knowledge of the effectiveness of modern methods of contraception is an important predictor of current and future use. All young adults were asked how effective the pill and injectables are in preventing pregnancy (see also Chapter 7). Overall, $54.0 \%$ of women and $56.1 \%$ of men knew that the pill was very effective or effective and $51.9 \%$ of women and $51.1 \%$ of men knew that injectables were very effective. Exposure to the JA-STYLE program seemed to be successful in increasing the knowledge of effectiveness of the pill and injectables among both women and men. Taking a class or course about modern methods of family planning was not having any significant effect on young women and men's correct knowledge of hormonal contraception.

The survey included a series of questions to explore correct knowledge about HIV, knowledge of a place for HIV testing, and knowledge of a place for treatment of sexually transmitted diseases other than HIV. Comprehensive knowledge about HIV was assessed using the UNAIDS recommended indicator for monitoring progress in young adults' knowledge of HIV transmission and prevention. As such, the indicator is a composite index that takes into account correct knowledge about HIV and its prevention (the first 3 items) and the rejection of the most common misconceptions about the HIV transmission (the last 2 items): having one faithful partner can protect against HIV (probed); condoms can protect against HIV (probed); a healthylooking person can have HIV; sitting on public toilet seats (the most prevalent misconception in Jamaica) does not transmit HIV; and mosquitoes do not transmit HIV (Figure 12.10).

Overall, $63.2 \%$ of young women and $53.9 \%$ of young men aged $15-24$ years demonstrated comprehensive HIV knowledge (Table 12.10.2). Knowledge was higher in Kingston metropolitan area than other areas among women but not among men. For both groups, comprehensive knowledge of HIV was slightly lower among 15-19-year-olds than among 20-24-year olds and increased with respondents' level of education and the wealth quintile of their households. Exposure to the JA-STYLE program had no effect on women's knowledge of HIV but was associated with higher comprehensive knowledge among men. Among both women and men, having formal instruction about HIV or STIs was associated with higher scoring of comprehensive knowledge.

Figure 12.10
Comprehensive Knowledge of HIV among Young Women and Men Aged 15-24 Years, by Type of Question: Jamaica, 2008


Among women and men, knowledge of a place that provides HIV-testing and a place for STI treatment was much higher than the comprehensive knowledge of HIV (Table 12.10.2). Virtually all young women ( $91.1 \%$ and $93.3 \%$, respectively) and the majority of young men ( $84.9 \%$ and 91.2\%, respectively) knew a place for HIV-testing and a place for STI treatment. Young adult age, higher education, and higher wealth quintile were associated with higher percentages of young adults with knowledge of these places. Exposure to the JA-STYLE program was a better predictor of knowledge among men than among women. Formal instruction on HIV and STIs did not significantly influence young adults' knowledge of places for HIV testing or STI treatment.

Domestic violence is often triggered by transgression of gender norms in a family. Gender norms conducive to gender equity guarantee that men and women are in an equal position to use basic social services and to make social, economic, and health decisions. The survey assessed selected attitudes toward gender roles and intimate partner violence (IPV) among all women and men (see also Chapter 15). In this chapter, we only examine disagreement with traditional gender roles and opposition to IPV among young adults and explore how selected protected factors might influence these attitudes (Table 12.10.3). Disagreement with traditional gender roles was assessed using a composite index based on rejection of four statements: "a good wife obeys her husband even if she disagrees," "it is important for a man to show his wife/partner who is the boss," "it is a wife's obligation to have sex with her husband even if she doesn't feel like it," and "family problems should only be discussed with people in the family." Equal values were assigned for rejection of each norm. The score ranged from 0 (acceptance of all traditional norms in the household) to 4 (rejection of all 4 traditional norms).

Accepting attitudes that husbands have the right to hit their wives reflect acceptance of IPV and gender inequity and a lack of understanding that domestic abuse is a serious violation of a woman's human rights. The survey included a set of questions to explore men's and women's acceptance of wife physical abuse under five circumstances, including: if a wife "...does not complete her household work to [husband's] satisfaction," if "she disobeys him," if "she refuses to have sexual relations with him," if "she asks him whether he has other girlfriends," and if "he finds out that she has been unfaithful." Similarly, the score for rejecting wife-hitting ranged from 0 (acceptance of all circumstances that may lead to wife-hitting) to 5 (rejection of all 5 circumstances). Respondents who rejected that wife-hitting is justified were considered as having attitudes conducive to gender equity.

Overall, $28.6 \%$ of women aged $15-24$ years disagreed with all four traditional gender roles. The corresponding figure for young men was only $9.0 \%$. On the other hand, virtually all young women (95.0\%) and the majority (80.4\%) of young men disagreed with wife-hitting under any circumstance. Higher education was associated with disagreement with traditional family and gender roles and opposition to IPV among both men and women. Frequency of church attendance was inversely associated with disagreement with traditional gender roles, but positively associated with the opposition to IPV among both women and men. Exposure to the JA-STYLE program did not influence attitudes toward traditional gender norms or domestic
violence, but participation in community activities was associated with higher levels of disagreement with traditional gender roles among both women and men.

| Table 12.1.1 <br> Percent Distribution of Women and Men Aged 15-24 Years Interviewed in Reproductive Health Surveys* <br> by Age Group and Survey Year <br> Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008, 2002, 1997, 1993 and 1987 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Women Aged 15-24 Years |  |  |  |  | Men Aged 15-24 Years |  |  |  |  |
| Age Group | 2008 | 2002 | 1997 | 1993 | 1987 | 2008 | 2002 | 1997 | 1993 | 1987 |
| 15-17 | 32.6 | 31.5 | 31.1 | 29.8 | 33.3 | 37.2 | 34.9 | 34.2 | 35.8 | 35.6 |
| 18-19 | 20.5 | 23.2 | 21.3 | 19.9 | 20.7 | 21.9 | 22.4 | 19.3 | 18.6 | 22.5 |
| 20-22 | 28.7 | 28.6 | 30.4 | 30.4 | 29.2 | 24.3 | 27.4 | 28.8 | 28.3 | 28.1 |
| 23-24 | 18.2 | 16.7 | 17.2 | 19.8 | 16.9 | 16.5 | 15.3 | 17.7 | 17.3 | 13.7 |
| Total | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| No. of Cases | 2,343 | 1,926 | 1,991 | 1,181 | 1,938 | 2,775 | 2,437 | 2,279 | 1,052 | 1,868 |

* Reproductive Health Survey (RHS) 2008, 2002, 1997; Contraceptive Prevalence Survey (CPS) 1993; Young Adult Reproductive Health Survey (YARHS) 1987.

Table 12.1.2
Employment Status of Women and Men Aged 15-24 Years by Age Group
Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008, 2002, 1997

| Women Aged 15-24 Years |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Employment Status | 2008 |  |  |  |  | 2002 |  |  |  |  | 1997 |  |  |  |  |
|  | Total | Age Group |  |  |  | Total | Age Group |  |  |  | Total | Age Group |  |  |  |
|  |  | 15-17 | 18-19 | 20-22 | 23-24 |  | 15-17 | 18-19 | 20-22 | 23-24 |  | 15-17 | 18-19 | 20-22 | 23-24 |
| Employed | 19.8 | 2.0 | 15.1 | 30.2 | 40.7 | 19.4 | 1.9 | 16.4 | 30.0 | 38.7 | 25.0 | 2.6 | 22.5 | 36.1 | 49.1 |
| Unemployed | 16.0 | 3.9 | 22.5 | 22.0 | 20.7 | 12.6 | 3.0 | 19.2 | 15.2 | 17.0 | 17.7 | 11.3 | 21.1 | 21.1 | 19.1 |
| Student | 39.5 | 83.7 | 33.5 | 15.0 | 6.0 | 35.4 | 82.4 | 23.1 | 11.3 | 5.0 | 34.5 | 73.9 | 30.0 | 14.5 | 4.0 |
| At home | 24.2 | 10.0 | 28.8 | 32.7 | 31.1 | 32.1 | 12.1 | 40.8 | 43.1 | 38.8 | 22.3 | 11.2 | 26.1 | 28.0 | 27.6 |
| Incapable of working/Other | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 1.4 | 0.5 | 0.7 | 0.5 | 0.4 | 0.5 | 0.5 | 1.0 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.2 |
| Total | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| No. of Cases | 2,343 | 758 | 471 | 626 | 488 | 1,926 | 568 | 421 | 569 | 368 | 1,991 | 567 | 393 | 630 | 401 |
|  | Men Aged 15-24 Years |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Employment Status | Total | Age Group |  |  |  | Total | Age Group |  |  |  | Total | Age Group |  |  |  |
|  |  | 15-17 | 18-19 | 20-22 | 23-24 |  | 15-17 | 18-19 | 20-22 | 23-24 |  | 15-17 | 18-19 | 20-22 | 23-24 |
| Employed | 35.8 | 4.8 | 33.7 | 60.3 | 72.2 | 38.3 | 9.0 | 35.7 | 60.7 | 69.1 | 50.2 | 14.5 | 50.8 | 72.5 | 82.1 |
| Unemployed | 19.7 | 8.7 | 30.0 | 26.5 | 21.1 | 15.8 | 7.4 | 25.0 | 18.5 | 16.4 | 18.2 | 13.5 | 28.6 | 19.2 | 14.2 |
| Student | 38.3 | 82.1 | 23.3 | 9.5 | 1.9 | 34.2 | 73.6 | 22.8 | 9.5 | 5.4 | 28.9 | 68.2 | 17.2 | 6.4 | 2.4 |
| At home | 5.9 | 4.3 | 12.5 | 3.6 | 4.1 | 10.9 | 9.6 | 15.5 | 10.6 | 8.1 | 2.6 | 3.7 | 3.3 | 1.8 | 1.0 |
| Incapable of working/Other | 0.3 | 0.2 | 0.6 | 0.1 | 0.7 | 0.7 | 0.4 | 1.0 | 0.7 | 1.1 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.3 |
| Total | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| No. of Cases | 2,775 | 1,037 | 615 | 635 | 488 | 2,437 | 901 | 531 | 653 | 352 | 2,277 | 799 | 407 | 646 | 425 |


| Table 12.1.3Current Relationship Status among Women and Men Aged 15-24 Yearsby Age GroupReproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Women Aged 15-24 Years |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Age Group | Current Relationship Status |  |  |  |  |  | Total | $\begin{aligned} & \text { No. of } \\ & \text { Cases } \end{aligned}$ |
|  | Married | Common Law Union | Visiting Relationship | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Boyfriend } \\ & \text { with Sex } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{array}{\|c} \text { Boyfriend } \\ \text { without Sex } \end{array}$ | No steady Relationship |  |  |
| Total | 1.7 | 15.0 | 33.4 | 8.2 | 7.5 | 34.2 | 100.0 | 2,343 |
| 15-19 | 0.0 | 6.5 | 19.3 | 10.6 | 11.6 | 52.0 | 100.0 | 1,229 |
| 15-17 | 0.0 | 1.9 | 8.0 | 11.7 | 15.3 | 63.1 | 100.0 | 758 |
| 18-19 | 0.1 | 13.8 | 37.2 | 8.8 | 5.7 | 34.4 | 100.0 | 471 |
| 20-24 | 3.6 | 24.6 | 49.3 | 5.5 | 3.0 | 14.0 | 100.0 | 1,114 |
| 20-22 | 2.0 | 18.7 | 52.1 | 6.1 | 4.1 | 16.9 | 100.0 | 626 |
| 23-24 | 6.2 | 33.9 | 44.9 | 4.4 | 1.2 | 9.3 | 100.0 | 488 |
|  |  |  |  | Men Aged 15-2 | 4 Years |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | Current Rela | tonship Stat |  |  |  |  |
| Age Group | Married | Common Law Union | Visiting Relationship | $\begin{aligned} & \hline \text { Girlfriend } \\ & \text { with Sex } \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Girlfriend } \\ \text { without Sex } \end{gathered}$ | No steady <br> Relationship | Total | No. of Cases |
| Total | 0.3 | 5.1 | 20.7 | 29.9 | 15.6 | 28.4 | 100.0 | 2,775 |
| 15-19 | 0.0 | 0.4 | 9.7 | 30.9 | 22.8 | 36.1 | 100.0 | 1,652 |
| 15-17 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 4.2 | 24.2 | 29.1 | 42.5 | 100.0 | 1,037 |
| 18-19 | 0.0 | 1.0 | 19.2 | 42.4 | 12.1 | 25.2 | 100.0 | 615 |
| 20-24 | 0.6 | 11.8 | 36.7 | 28.5 | 5.2 | 17.2 | 100.0 | 1,123 |
| 20-22 | 0.5 | 6.5 | 34.6 | 32.6 | 6.9 | 18.9 | 100.0 | 635 |
| 23-24 | 0.8 | 19.5 | 39.8 | 22.5 | 2.6 | 14.8 | 100.0 | 488 |


| Table 12.2.1 <br> Reported Sexual Experience of Women and Men Aged 15-24 Years by Current Age Group <br> Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008. 2002, 1997, 1993 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Young Women Who Have Ever Had Sexual Intercourse |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 2008 |  | 2002 |  | 1997 |  | 1993 |  |
| Age Group | \% | $\begin{aligned} & \text { No. of } \\ & \text { Cases } \end{aligned}$ | \% | $\begin{aligned} & \text { No. of } \\ & \text { Cases } \end{aligned}$ | \% | $\begin{aligned} & \hline \text { No. of } \\ & \text { Cases } \end{aligned}$ | \% | No. of Cases |
| Total | 66.4 | 2,343 | 69.0 | 1,927 | 69.7 | 1,991 | 74.8 | 1,181 |
| 15-19 | 43.6 | 1,229 | 49.3 | 990 | 51.4 | 960 | 58.9 | 553 |
| 15-17 | 26.1 | 758 | 32.1 | 568 | 37.7 | 567 | 44.1 | 340 |
| 18-19 | 71.5 | 471 | 72.5 | 422 | 71.5 | 393 | 79.9 | 213 |
| 20-24 | 92.2 | 1,114 | 93.0 | 937 | 89.9 | 1,031 | 90.5 | 628 |
| Young Men Who Have Ever Had Sexual Intercourse |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 2008 |  | 2002 |  | 1997 |  | 1993 |  |
| Age Group | \% | No. of Cases | \% | $\begin{aligned} & \text { No. of } \\ & \text { Cases } \end{aligned}$ | \% | No. of Cases | \% | No. of Cases |
| Total | 74.9 | 2,775 | 82.1 | 2,437 | 84.9 | 2,279 | 84.4 | 1,052 |
| 15-19 | 61.5 | 1,652 | 73.0 | 1,232 | 73.9 | 1,207 | 74.5 | 566 |
| 15-17 | 47.4 | 1,037 | 62.0 | 901 | 64.4 | 799 | 63.9 | 380 |
| 18-19 | 85.5 | 615 | 90.2 | 531 | 90.7 | 408 | 94.9 | 186 |
| 20-24 | 94.4 | 1,123 | 94.2 | 1,005 | 97.6 | 1,072 | 96.2 | 486 |



[^68]| Table 12.3.1 <br> Life-table Estimates of Age at First Sexual Experience among Women and Men Aged 15-24 Years by Selected Characteristics <br> Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Women Aged 15-24 Years |  |  |  |  |  | Men Aged 15-24 Years |  |  |  |  |  |
| Characteristic | Age at First Intercourse |  |  |  |  | No. of Cases | Age at First Intercourse |  |  |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { No. of } \\ & \text { Cases } \end{aligned}$ |
|  | <15 | <18 | $<20$ | <22 | <25 |  | <15 | <18 | $<20$ | $<22$ | $<25$ |  |
| Total * | 11.9 | 59.1 | 83.5 | 91.7 | 93.7 | 2,308 | 34.7 | 76.5 | 89.4 | 92.4 | 93.7 | 2,693 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 9.3 | 56.4 | 85.6 | 92.2 | 92.2 | 355 | 51.3 | 85.4 | 94.0 | 97.6 | 97.6 | 372 |
| Other urban | 12.7 | 57.1 | 80.1 | 89.2 | 89.2 | 592 | 33.5 | 76.5 | 88.5 | 91.1 | 91.1 | 738 |
| Rural | 12.5 | 61.7 | 85.3 | 93.9 | 95.0 | 1,361 | 30.4 | 73.7 | 88.5 | 91.3 | 94.0 | 1,583 |
|  | 21.5 | 75.3 | 89.0 | 91.5 | 91.5 | 458 | 29.1 | 67.8 | 84.9 | 89.2 | 94.0 | 678 |
| 10-12 | 10.6 | 60.1 | 86.8 | 94.4 | 95.4 | 1,645 | 37.5 | 79.1 | 90.9 | 93.3 | 94.0 | 1,877 |
| 13 or more | 5.2 | 38.8 | 65.1 | 79.9 | 86.4 | 205 | 24.0 | 69.9 | 86.2 | 91.2 | 91.2 | 126 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 17.5 | 70.1 | 86.8 | 93.3 | 93.3 | 528 | 33.3 | 73.4 | 87.7 | 93.2 | 95.3 | 614 |
| Second | 12.1 | 70.6 | 95.4 | 98.6 | 98.6 | 509 | 32.1 | 71.3 | 88.1 | 90.6 | 94.4 | 597 |
| Middle | 11.8 | 60.3 | 83.7 | 91.7 | 95.0 | 467 | 36.4 | 79.1 | 93.1 | 95.2 | 95.2 | 496 |
| Fourth | 9.4 | 54.9 | 79.0 | 90.5 | 91.1 | 466 | 34.9 | 78.7 | 87.3 | 88.3 | 88.3 | 526 |
| Highest | 9.2 | 40.9 | 73.9 | 84.9 | 84.9 | 338 | 37.1 | 79.7 | 91.8 | 95.8 | 95.8 | 460 |

* Excludes 35 women and 82 men who did not remember or refuse to answer the age at first intercourse.
$\dagger$ Excludes 12 men with unknown level of education.

| Table 12.3.2 <br> Mean Age at First Sexual Experience among Women and Men Aged 15-24 Years <br> by Selected Characteristics <br> Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008, 2002, 1997, 1993 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Women Aged 15-24 Years |  |  |  | Men Aged 15-24 Years |  |  |  |
| Characteristic | 2008* | 2002* | 1997 | 1993 | $2008^{*}$ | $2002{ }^{*}$ | 1997 | 1993 |
|  | Mean Age (in years) |  |  |  | Mean Age (in years) |  |  |  |
| Total | 16.1 | 15.8 | 15.9 | 15.9 | 14.5 | 13.5 | 13.4 | 13.9 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Urban | 16.1 | 15.8 | 15.8 | 15.8 | 14.4 | 13.6 | 13.2 | 13.5 |
| Rural | 16.1 | 15.8 | 15.9 | 15.9 | 14.7 | 13.5 | 13.6 | 14.1 |
| Age Group |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-17 | 14.4 | 14.4 | 14.7 | 14.3 | 13.3 | 12.5 | 12.4 | 13.0 |
| 18-19 | 15.8 | 15.6 | 15.5 | 15.7 | 14.6 | 13.5 | 13.3 | 13.9 |
| 20-22 | 16.4 | 16.2 | 16.2 | 16.4 | 15.0 | 14.0 | 14.0 | 14.2 |
| 23-24 | 16.6 | 16.3 | 16.6 | 16.5 | 15.2 | 14.7 | 14.0 | 14.4 |
| Education level (in years) ${ }^{\top}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-9 | 14.5 | 15.1 | 14.9 | 15.2 | 14.2 | 13.6 | 13.4 | 14.1 |
| 10-12 | 16.1 | 15.2 | 16.0 | 15.5 | 14.5 | 13.4 | 13.4 | 13.6 |
| 13 or more | 17.4 | 16.1 | 16.9 | 16.2 | 15.6 | 13.7 | 13.5 | 13.9 |
| Socio economic status |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Low | 15.8 | 15.3 | 15.3 | 15.6 | 14.6 | 13.4 | 13.6 | 14.1 |
| Medium | 16.0 | 15.7 | 15.9 | 15.9 | 14.5 | 13.5 | 13.2 | 13.2 |
| High | 16.5 | 16.2 | 16.3 | 17.6 | 14.5 | 13.7 | 13.5 | 12.8 |
| Church attendance ${ }^{\ddagger}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| At least once per week | 16.5 | 16.1 | 16.3 | 15.9 | 14.3 | 13.7 | 13.7 | 13.7 |
| At least once per month | 15.9 | 16.2 | 16.0 | 16.4 | 14.3 | 13.4 | 12.5 | 13.7 |
| Less than once per month | 16.1 | 15.6 | 15.9 | 15.8 | 14.7 | 13.6 | 13.5 | 13.6 |
| Special occasions | 16.0 | 15.7 | 15.7 | 15.8 | 14.7 | 136.0 | 13.0 | 13.6 |
| Never | 15.8 | 14.9 | 15.5 | 15.9 | 14.4 | 13.5 | 12.9 | 14.5 |
| No. of Cases | 1,579 | 1,301 | 1,352 | 864 | 1,979 | 1,421 | 1,633 | 766 |

[^69]| Table 12.3.3A <br> Relationship to First Sexual Partner among Sexually Experienced Women Aged 15-24 Years by Age at First Sexual Experience <br> Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 1997-2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Relationship to First Sexual Partner |  |  |  |  |  | Total | No. of Cases |
| Age at First Intercourse | Spouse | Boyfriend | Friend | Casual Acquaintance | Other |  |  |
|  | 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total 15-24 | 1.3 | 88.5 | 5.9 | 0.9 | 3.3 | 100.0 | 1,614 |
| Under 14 | 0.0 | 64.8 | 8.0 | 4.3 | 23.0 | 100.0 | 136 |
| 14 | 0.6 | 82.8 | 11.0 | 1.4 | 4.2 | 100.0 | 195 |
| 15 | 0.1 | 90.5 | 6.4 | 0.6 | 2.3 | 100.0 | 306 |
| 16 | 1.2 | 91.4 | 4.9 | 0.5 | 2.0 | 100.0 | 362 |
| 17 | 1.7 | 92.5 | 3.9 | 0.5 | 1.4 | 100.0 | 264 |
| 18-19 | 1.9 | 92.3 | 4.4 | 0.7 | 0.6 | 100.0 | 263 |
| 20-24 | 8.6 | 86.7 | 3.1 | 0.7 | 0.9 | 100.0 | 53 |
| Does not remember | * | * | * | * | * | * | 17 |
| Refused | * | * | * | * | * | * | 18 |
|  | 2002 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total 15-24 | 1.7 | 80.7 | 13.9 | 1.1 | 2.6 | 100.0 | 1,396 |
| Under 14 | 1.0 | 65.1 | 25.9 | 2.1 | 5.9 | 100.0 | 140 |
| 14 | 0.7 | 74.9 | 17.3 | 3.1 | 4.0 | 100.0 | 174 |
| 15 | 2.1 | 78.3 | 16.6 | 0.6 | 2.5 | 100.0 | 253 |
| 16 | 1.0 | 87.5 | 9.4 | 0.6 | 1.6 | 100.0 | 298 |
| 17 | 0.8 | 89.3 | 7.1 | 1.2 | 1.6 | 100.0 | 220 |
| 18-19 | 2.9 | 86.0 | 10.2 | 0.3 | 0.6 | 100.0 | 175 |
| 20-24 | 10.3 | 82.1 | 6.4 | 1.2 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 41 |
| Does not remember | 0.9 | 70.4 | 19.2 | 0.7 | 8.9 | 100.0 | 69 |
| Refused | 2.3 | 67.0 | 29.5 | 1.2 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 26 |
|  | 1997 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total 15-24 | 1.4 | 82.7 | 12.8 | 2.2 | 0.9 | 100.0 | 1,449 |
| Under 14 | 0.7 | 68.0 | 24.1 | 6.4 | 0.9 | 100.0 | 170 |
| 14 | 3.2 | 76.8 | 17.1 | 2.4 | 0.6 | 100.0 | 191 |
| 15 | 1.7 | 82.9 | 11.6 | 1.8 | 2.1 | 100.0 | 250 |
| 16 | 0.7 | 84.8 | 11.9 | 1.7 | 1.0 | 100.0 | 327 |
| 17 | 1.3 | 88.4 | 8.3 | 2.0 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 214 |
| 18-19 | 0.9 | 92.0 | 6.4 | 0.4 | 0.3 | 100.0 | 195 |
| 20-24 | 2.9 | 75.4 | 17.8 | 2.0 | 1.9 | 100.0 | 102 |

* Less than 25 cases.

| Table 12.3.3B <br> Relationship to First Sexual Partner among Sexually Experienced Men Aged 15-24 Years by Age at First Sexual Experience Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Age At First Intercourse | Relationship to First Sexual Partner |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Spouse | Girlfriend | Friend | Casual <br> Acquaintance | Other | Total | No. of Cases |
|  | 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total 15-24 | 0.2 | 57.2 | 32.1 | 4.3 | 6.2 | 100.0 | 2,061 |
| Under 14 | 0.1 | 44.3 | 45.8 | 4.6 | 5.3 | 100.0 | 564 |
| 14 | 0.0 | 68.2 | 27.2 | 1.8 | 2.8 | 100.0 | 367 |
| 15 | 0.1 | 62.0 | 26.5 | 4.5 | 6.9 | 100.0 | 387 |
| 16 | 0.0 | 63.5 | 26.4 | 2.2 | 7.9 | 100.0 | 318 |
| 17 | 0.0 | 63.6 | 26.7 | 5.1 | 4.7 | 100.0 | 181 |
| 18-19 | 1.6 | 57.7 | 21.8 | 8.8 | 10.1 | 100.0 | 136 |
| 20-24 | 0.0 | 64.7 | 20.6 | 0.0 | 14.7 | 100.0 | 26 |
| Does not remember | 0.0 | 41.7 | 39.7 | 8.6 | 10.0 | 100.0 | 74 |
|  | 2002 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total 15-24 | 0.1 | 44.2 | 45.7 | 8.4 | 1.6 | 100.0 | 1,982 |
| Under 14 | 0.0 | 36.0 | 54.6 | 7.3 | 2.0 | 100.0 | 660 |
| 14 | 0.0 | 49.6 | 41.7 | 7.5 | 1.2 | 100.0 | 234 |
| 15 | 0.0 | 45.8 | 44.2 | 7.4 | 2.5 | 100.0 | 183 |
| 16 | 0.0 | 58.9 | 30.5 | 10.6 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 148 |
| 17 | 1.4 | 70.4 | 18.4 | 8.4 | 0.8 | 100.0 | 82 |
| 18-19 | 0.6 | 59.0 | 30.3 | 8.3 | 1.4 | 100.0 | 88 |
| 20-24 | 0.0 | 82.2 | 17.8 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 26 |
| Does not remember | 0.0 | 38.4 | 49.6 | 10.5 | 1.6 | 100.0 | 561 |
|  | 1997 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total 15-24 | 0.3 | 37.7 | 47.8 | 12.8 | 1.3 | 100.0 | 1,917 |
| Under 14 | 0.3 | 30.9 | 54.8 | 12.3 | 1.8 | 100.0 | 990 |
| 14 | 0.3 | 43.0 | 46.4 | 9.2 | 1.3 | 100.0 | 265 |
| 15 | 0.0 | 45.5 | 38.7 | 15.7 | 0.2 | 100.0 | 261 |
| 16 | 0.0 | 49.4 | 36.5 | 14.1 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 177 |
| 17 | 0.7 | 48.7 | 29.8 | 20.1 | 0.7 | 100.0 | 95 |
| 18-19 | 1.6 | 49.2 | 35.5 | 13.8 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 94 |
| 20-24 | 3.0 | 31.0 | 51.5 | 10.5 | 4.1 | 100.0 | 35 |


| Table 12.3.4Age Difference between Partners at First Sexual Experience among Women and Men Aged 15-24 Yearsby Selected CharacteristicsReproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Characteristic | Women Aged 15-24 Years |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Age Difference between Partners at First Sexual Experience |  |  |  |  |  | Total | No. of Cases* |
|  | Younger Partner | Same Age | Partner 1-4 <br> Year Older | Partner 5-9 Year Older | Partner 10 or More Year Older | DK/ No Response |  |  |
| Total | 1.4 | 11.2 | 48.6 | 24.8 | 10.6 | 3.3 | 100.0 | 1,586 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 2.8 | 21.9 | 46.7 | 18.7 | 7.4 | 2.4 | 100.0 | 230 |
| Other urban | 2.1 | 10.6 | 49.7 | 22.9 | 9.7 | 4.8 | 100.0 | 424 |
| Rural | 0.4 | 6.9 | 48.6 | 28.8 | 12.6 | 2.6 | 100.0 | 932 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-17 | 0.8 | 9.5 | 60.0 | 14.9 | 9.8 | 5.0 | 100.0 | 200 |
| 18-19 | 0.1 | 13.8 | 53.2 | 26.3 | 6.0 | 0.7 | 100.0 | 345 |
| 20-22 | 2.3 | 9.5 | 46.8 | 25.1 | 12.1 | 4.2 | 100.0 | 574 |
| 23-24 | 1.7 | 12.2 | 42.4 | 27.6 | 12.6 | 3.5 | 100.0 | 467 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-9 | 0.8 | 6.4 | 39.1 | 30.9 | 17.4 | 5.4 | 100.0 | 229 |
| 10-12 | 1.6 | 12.2 | 49.1 | 23.9 | 10.3 | 3.0 | 100.0 | 1,193 |
| 13 or more | 1.1 | 9.8 | 55.5 | 24.6 | 5.7 | 3.3 | 100.0 | 164 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 1.3 | 5.4 | 39.5 | 34.5 | 14.7 | 4.6 | 100.0 | 399 |
| Second | 2.3 | 8.9 | 50.0 | 23.6 | 12.7 | 2.5 | 100.0 | 378 |
| Middle | 1.5 | 9.9 | 48.1 | 21.4 | 13.7 | 5.3 | 100.0 | 322 |
| Fourth | 0.3 | 15.7 | 48.9 | 26.6 | 6.2 | 2.3 | 100.0 | 292 |
| Highest | 1.8 | 17.5 | 58.2 | 16.9 | 4.1 | 1.6 | 100.0 | 195 |
| Age at first sexual intercourse ${ }^{\dagger}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| <18 | 1.7 | 9.8 | 49.2 | 26.4 | 10.4 | 2.5 | 100.0 | 1,236 |
| 18-19 | 0.9 | 16.1 | 49.8 | 19.7 | 11.8 | 1.5 | 100.0 | 262 |
| 20-24 | 0.5 | 17.0 | 44.9 | 26.2 | 11.0 | 0.4 | 100.0 | 53 |
|  | Men Aged 15-24 Years |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total | 26.5 | 28.8 | 35.4 | 4.2 | 0.9 | 4.2 | 100.0 | 2,061 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 24.0 | 32.7 | 37.7 | 3.3 | 0.5 | 1.9 | 100.0 | 322 |
| Other urban | 24.2 | 29.3 | 34.2 | 5.6 | 1.5 | 5.3 | 100.0 | 573 |
| Rural | 28.8 | 27.2 | 35.3 | 3.6 | 0.8 | 4.3 | 100.0 | 1,166 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-17 | 20.6 | 30.4 | 40.0 | 5.3 | 0.9 | 2.7 | 100.0 | 469 |
| 18-19 | 22.4 | 34.5 | 35.6 | 2.8 | 0.8 | 4.0 | 100.0 | 529 |
| 20-22 | 31.3 | 25.6 | 33.6 | 4.5 | 1.0 | 4.1 | 100.0 | 595 |
| 23-24 | 31.0 | 25.1 | 32.6 | 4.1 | 1.0 | 6.1 | 100.0 | 468 |
| Education level (in years) ${ }^{\ddagger}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-9 | 26.5 | 25.6 | 37.6 | 5.1 | 0.5 | 4.7 | 100.0 | 371 |
| 10-12 | 26.1 | 29.7 | 35.0 | 4.2 | 1.1 | 3.9 | 100.0 | 1,564 |
| 13 or more | 32.8 | 28.0 | 33.6 | 1.3 | 0.0 | 4.3 | 100.0 | 118 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 31.3 | 21.4 | 35.7 | 6.2 | 0.5 | 5.0 | 100.0 | 453 |
| Second | 27.6 | 23.6 | 37.4 | 5.6 | 0.3 | 5.5 | 100.0 | 437 |
| Middle | 25.3 | 31.2 | 33.6 | 4.5 | 1.3 | 4.1 | 100.0 | 391 |
| Fourth | 29.6 | 29.2 | 33.2 | 2.4 | 1.4 | 4.1 | 100.0 | 416 |
| Highest | 18.4 | 38.7 | 37.6 | 2.1 | 1.1 | 2.1 | 100.0 | 364 |
| Age at first sexual intercourse ${ }^{\dagger}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| <18 | 23.3 | 31.1 | 38.3 | 3.9 | 1.0 | 2.3 | 100.0 | 1,817 |
| 18-19 | 51.2 | 23.0 | 18.3 | 6.6 | 0.3 | 0.6 | 100.0 | 136 |
| 20-24 | 90.3 | 0.0 | 6.5 | 3.2 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 26 |

[^70]| Table 12.3.5ADuration of Dating before the First Sexual Experience among Women Aged 15-24 Years <br> by Selected Characteristics <br> Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Characteristic | Duration of Dating before First Sexual Experience |  |  |  |  |  | Total | No. of Cases* |
|  | < 1 Month | 1-5 <br> Months | 6-11 <br> Months | 1 Year | 2 or More Years | No <br> Response |  |  |
| Total | 4.9 | 31.0 | 18.1 | 22.0 | 23.5 | 0.5 | 100.0 | 1,586 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 5.2 | 24.9 | 23.2 | 21.2 | 25.5 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 230 |
| Other urban | 3.7 | 35.4 | 17.9 | 18.2 | 24.2 | 0.6 | 100.0 | 424 |
| Rural | 5.6 | 30.5 | 16.1 | 25.0 | 22.0 | 0.7 | 100.0 | 932 |
| Age group |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-17 | 9.5 | 36.6 | 9.1 | 23.7 | 20.6 | 0.5 | 100.0 | 200 |
| 18-19 | 3.3 | 33.0 | 22.7 | 20.7 | 20.0 | 0.4 | 100.0 | 345 |
| 20-22 | 4.7 | 31.3 | 18.7 | 19.7 | 25.1 | 0.6 | 100.0 | 574 |
| 23-24 | 4.5 | 26.6 | 17.6 | 25.6 | 25.2 | 0.5 | 100.0 | 467 |
| Relationship status |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Married | 12.4 | 33.2 | 12.2 | 22.9 | 19.3 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 47 |
| Common law union | 4.0 | 30.6 | 22.7 | 22.2 | 19.8 | 0.6 | 100.0 | 448 |
| Visiting relationship | 4.7 | 33.1 | 16.9 | 21.9 | 23.1 | 0.2 | 100.0 | 701 |
| No steady relationship | 5.3 | 26.8 | 17.0 | 21.7 | 28.1 | 1.0 | 100.0 | 390 |
| Education level (in years) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-9 | 7.9 | 44.5 | 12.7 | 19.7 | 14.8 | 0.5 | 100.0 | 229 |
| 10-12 | 4.7 | 29.7 | 19.0 | 22.4 | 23.6 | 0.6 | 100.0 | 1,193 |
| 13 or more | 2.9 | 26.1 | 17.8 | 21.8 | 31.5 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 164 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 7.4 | 37.5 | 14.6 | 18.6 | 21.9 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 399 |
| Second | 4.7 | 31.6 | 20.0 | 22.8 | 19.6 | 1.3 | 100.0 | 378 |
| Middle | 4.3 | 31.5 | 15.9 | 26.4 | 21.0 | 0.8 | 100.0 | 322 |
| Fourth | 5.1 | 24.5 | 21.3 | 24.1 | 24.6 | 0.3 | 100.0 | 292 |
| Highest | 2.7 | 28.7 | 19.4 | 17.8 | 31.5 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 195 |
| Age at first sexual intercourse* |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| <18 | 5.6 | 31.9 | 17.4 | 22.4 | 22.1 | 0.5 | 100.0 | 1,236 |
| 18-19 | 2.0 | 31.3 | 23.5 | 17.1 | 26.0 | 0.2 | 100.0 | 262 |
| 20-24 | 5.7 | 16.7 | 4.3 | 36.5 | 36.8 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 53 |

[^71]| Table 12.3.5B <br> Duration of Dating before the First Sexual Experience among Men Aged 15-24 Years by Selected Characteristics Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Characteristic | Duration of Dating before First Sexual Intercourse |  |  |  |  |  | Total | No. of Cases |
|  | <1 Month | $1-5$ <br> Months | 6-11 <br> Months | 1 Year | 2 or More Years | No <br> Response |  |  |
| Total | 17.9 | 32.6 | 12.8 | 19.7 | 15.4 | 1.6 | 100.0 | 2,061 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 14.4 | 28.3 | 13.1 | 21.5 | 18.6 | 4.1 | 100.0 | 322 |
| Other urban | 19.9 | 32.0 | 12.5 | 17.9 | 16.9 | 0.8 | 100.0 | 573 |
| Rural | 17.9 | 34.5 | 12.9 | 20.2 | 13.3 | 1.3 | 100.0 | 1,166 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-17 | 20.6 | 32.2 | 11.7 | 19.9 | 14.3 | 1.2 | 100.0 | 469 |
| 18-19 | 15.4 | 35.3 | 13.7 | 19.6 | 14.5 | 1.5 | 100.0 | 529 |
| 20-22 | 18.1 | 33.4 | 13.4 | 15.2 | 18.7 | 1.2 | 100.0 | 595 |
| 23-24 | 17.3 | 28.6 | 12.2 | 26.1 | 12.7 | 2.9 | 100.0 | 468 |
| Relationship status |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Married | * | * | * | * | * | * | 100.0 | 8 |
| Common law union | 15.9 | 32.3 | 9.4 | 20.3 | 20.2 | 1.9 | 100.0 | 154 |
| Visiting relationship | 14.9 | 35.8 | 11.5 | 23.8 | 12.2 | 1.8 | 100.0 | 554 |
| No steady relationship | 19.4 | 31.3 | 13.7 | 18.1 | 15.9 | 1.6 | 100.0 | 1,345 |
| Education level (in years) ${ }^{+}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-9 | 24.6 | 33.6 | 11.3 | 14.8 | 14.1 | 1.5 | 100.0 | 371 |
| 10-12 | 15.8 | 32.8 | 13.3 | 21.4 | 15.1 | 1.5 | 100.0 | 1,564 |
| 13 or more | 24.3 | 27.9 | 10.8 | 13.0 | 22.1 | 2.0 | 100.0 | 118 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 22.6 | 36.7 | 10.3 | 16.0 | 12.1 | 2.3 | 100.0 | 453 |
| Second | 17.3 | 31.2 | 12.8 | 19.6 | 18.3 | 0.8 | 100.0 | 437 |
| Middle | 15.0 | 29.1 | 15.8 | 22.9 | 14.7 | 2.5 | 100.0 | 391 |
| Fourth | 18.1 | 33.3 | 11.1 | 20.6 | 15.0 | 2.0 | 100.0 | 416 |
| Highest | 16.3 | 32.9 | 13.9 | 19.3 | 17.1 | 0.5 | 100.0 | 364 |
| Age at first sexual intercourse ${ }^{\ddagger}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| <18 | 17.2 | 32.2 | 13.0 | 20.2 | 15.7 | 1.6 | 100.0 | 1,817 |
| 18-19 | 19.4 | 40.0 | 14.5 | 11.4 | 14.7 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 136 |
| 20-24 | 37.2 | 23.1 | 4.2 | 19.3 | 16.3 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 26 |

* Less than 25 cases.
$\dagger$ Excludes 8 men with missing information.
$\ddagger$ Excludes 82 men who did not answer the age at first intercourse.

| Table 12.3.6 <br> Prevalence of Coerced First Sexual Intercourse among Sexually Experienced Young Adults Aged 15-24 Years by Selected Characteristics Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Women Aged 15-24 Years |  | Men Aged 15-24 Years |  |
| Characteristic | Coerced First Sex |  | Coerced First Sex |  |
|  | \% | No. of Cases | \% | No. of Cases |
| Total | 48.8 | 1,614 | 4.4 | 2,061 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 47.7 | 233 | 2.3 | 322 |
| Other urban | 48.4 | 433 | 7.1 | 573 |
| Rural | 49.6 | 948 | 3.4 | 1,166 |
| Age group |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 54.1 | 557 | 5.2 | 998 |
| 20-24 | 46.0 | 1,057 | 3.6 | 1,063 |
| Relationship with the first sexual partner |  |  |  |  |
| Husband/Wife | 31.6 | 29 | * | 3 |
| Boyfriend/Girlfriend | 47.6 | 1,362 | 3.7 | 1,219 |
| Friend | 54.4 | 115 | 3.7 | 651 |
| Acquaintance | 58.7 | 26 | 7.4 | 73 |
| Rape/incest | 100.0 | 28 | N/A | N/A |
| Just met | * | 10 | 15.2 | 50 |
| Other | 38.5 | 30 | 12.4 | 34 |
| Not remember/Refused | * | 14 | 4.8 | 31 |
| Education level (in years) |  |  |  |  |
| 0-9 | 59.2 | 240 | 3.7 | 371 |
| 10-12 | 48.9 | 1,208 | 4.8 | 1,564 |
| 13 or more | 37.9 | 166 | 1.3 | 118 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 47.3 | 407 | 4.8 | 453 |
| Second | 53.9 | 387 | 8.2 | 437 |
| Middle | 49.7 | 325 | 3.7 | 391 |
| Fourth | 49.9 | 295 | 2.7 | 416 |
| Highest | 42.7 | 200 | 2.7 | 364 |
| Age at first sexual intercourse ${ }^{\dagger}$ |  |  |  |  |
| Under 14 | 67.6 | 136 | 4.3 | 564 |
| 14 | 54.5 | 195 | 5.3 | 367 |
| 15-17 | 50.9 | 932 | 3.4 | 886 |
| 18-19 | 36.5 | 263 | 6.9 | 136 |
| 20-24 | 34.0 | 53 | 6.3 | 26 |
| Does nor remember | 54.4 | 17 | 7.2 | 74 |

[^72]| Table 12.4.1A <br> Use of Contraception at First Sexual Experience among Women Aged 15-24 Years by Selected Characteristics Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 1993-2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 2008 |  | 2002 |  | 1997 |  | 1993 |  |
| Characteristic | \% | $\begin{aligned} & \text { No. of } \\ & \text { Cases } \end{aligned}$ | \% | $\begin{aligned} & \text { No. of } \\ & \text { Cases } \end{aligned}$ | \% | $\begin{aligned} & \text { No. of } \\ & \text { Cases } \end{aligned}$ | \% | $\begin{aligned} & \text { No. of } \\ & \text { Cases } \end{aligned}$ |
| Total | 79.2 1,586 |  | 67.3 | 1,396 | 55.7 | 1,447 | 42.7 | 896 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| ${ }_{14}^{\text {Less than } 14}$ | 50.6 65.3 | 122 187 | 46.7 71.6 | 140 174 | 40.6 48.4 | 171 190 | 22.7 38.6 | $\begin{array}{r}84 \\ 124 \\ \hline\end{array}$ |
| 15-17 | 81.6 | 927 | 70.7 | 771 | 57.7 | 790 | 41.6 | 494 |
| 18-19 | 85.8 | 262 | 72.3 | 175 | 68.3 | 195 | 59.7 | 130 |
| Relationship status at first intercourse |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Spouse or common-aw parter | 68.1 | 29 | 57.1 | 36 | 70.4 | 27 | $\ddagger$ | 9 |
| Boyffiend | 80.5 | 1,384 | 71.3 | 1,035 | 59.6 | 1,167 | 45.7 | 706 |
| Friend | 71.5 | 115 | 57.2 | 178 | 37.3 | 202 | 24.6 | 72 |
| Casual acuuaitance | 68.6 | 26 | $\ddagger$ | 21 | 20.7 | 39 | 2.3 | 28 |
| Area of residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Rural | 77.6 | 932 | 65.9 | 747 | 54.1 | 875 | 41.0 | 648 |
| Education level (in years) ${ }^{\text {s }}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-9 | 68.6 | 229 | 57.4 | 75 | 45.8 | 402 | 1 | $\uparrow$ |
| 10-12 | ${ }^{78.7}$ | 1,193 | 64.9 | ${ }^{481}$ | 57.4 | 889 | 9 |  |
| 13 or more | 93.1 | 164 | 69.1 | 824 | 64.9 | 146 | 9 | 9 |
| Socio economic status |  |  |  |  |  |  | 9 | 9 |
| Low | 73.9 | ${ }_{5}^{655}$ | ${ }_{60.8}^{675}$ | 384 659 | 45.0 538 | ${ }_{5}^{534}$ | 9 | 9 |
| Medium | 81.0 | 570 | 67.5 | 659 | 53.8 | 520 | 9 | $\square$ |
| High | 83.4 | 361 | 72.3 | 353 | 66.0 | 393 | $\square$ | 9 |

* Excludes 28 women who reported the first sexual intercourse was the result of rape or incest.
$\dagger$ Data missing for 17 women in 2008 and 69 women in 2002 who did not remember their age at first intercourse and 18 women in 2008 and 26 women who refused to answer.
$\ddagger$ Less than 25 cases.
§ Data missing for 16 women in 2002 and 10 women in 1997.
If Not reported on.

| Table 12.4.1B <br> Use of Contraception at First Sexual Experience among Men Aged 15-24 Years by Selected Characteristics <br> Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 1993-2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Characteristic | 2008 |  | 2002 |  | 1997 |  | 1993 |  |
|  | \% | No. of Cases | \% | No. of Cases | \% | No. of Cases | \% | No. of Cases |
| Total | 57.5 | 2,061 | 43.0 | 1,982 | 31.0 | 1,917 | 21.6 | 863 |
| Age at first intercourse * |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Less than 14 | 34.9 | 564 | 26.3 | 660 | 17.0 | 990 | 8.1 | 324 |
| 14 | 52.1 | 367 | 51.7 | 234 | 38.3 | 265 | 25.6 | 117 |
| 15-17 | 71.8 | 886 | 63.4 | 413 | 50.6 | 533 | 37.2 | 273 |
| 18-19 | 79.1 | 136 | 77.7 | 88 | 55.1 | 94 | 35.4 | 30 |
| 20-24 | 78.1 | 26 | 74.3 | 26 | 47.1 | 35 | $\dagger$ | 13 |
| Relationship status at first intercourse |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Spouse or common-law partner | $\dagger$ | 3 | $\dagger$ | 2 | $\dagger$ | 6 | $\dagger$ | 3 |
| Girlfriend | 65.2 | 1,219 | 53.3 | 859 | 44.7 | 691 | 29.6 | 377 |
| Friend | 45.2 | 651 | 32.8 | 914 | 22.4 | 948 | 13.9 | 376 |
| Casual acquaintance | 47.0 | 73 | 46.5 | 171 | 25.6 | 247 | 15.2 | 70 |
| Other | 58.3 | 65 | 27.8 | 36 | 6.5 | 25 | 26.1 | 28 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Urban | 56.2 | 872 | 45.0 | 880 | 31.7 | 699 | 15.4 | 242 |
| Rural | 58.7 | 1,139 | 40.7 | 1,102 | 30.4 | 1,218 | 24.8 | 621 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-9 | 52.6 | 360 | 41.5 | 158 | 9 | 9 | 9 | 9 |
| 10-12 | 57.3 | 1,530 | 40.8 | 821 | 9 | 9 | 9 | 9 |
| 13 or more | 73.7 | 113 | 44.8 | 987 | 9 | 9 | 9 | 9 |
| Socio economic status |  |  |  |  | 9 | 9 | 9 | 9 |
| Low | 58.6 | 729 | 38.5 | 377 | 9 | 9 | 9 | 9 |
| Medium | 52.6 | 705 | 42.1 | 847 | 9 | 9 | 9 | 9 |
| High | 62.0 | 577 | 45.8 | 758 | 9 | 9 | 9 | 9 |

[^73]| Table 12.4.2 <br> Source of Condoms for Women and Men Aged 15-24 Years Who Had Used Condoms at First Sexual Experience Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 1993-2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Women Aged 15-24 Years |  |  |  | Men Aged 15-24 Years |  |  |  |
| Source of Condoms | 2008 | 2002 | 1997 | 1993 | 2008 | 2002 | 1997 | 1993 |
| Partner/friend/parent/relative | 31.6 | * | * | * | 26.6 | * | 26.4 | * |
| Pharmacy | 27.7 | 25.9 | 41.6 | 37.6 | 13.6 | 9.9 | 22.1 | 14.1 |
| Shop/market | 24.1 | 42.6 | 15.2 | 16.8 | 47.7 | 59.8 | 34.6 | 34.7 |
| Government clinic/hospital | 1.9 | 1.9 | 5.6 | 10.0 | 7.0 | 5.3 | 11.0 | 9.6 |
| Other | 0.9 | 1.8 | 1.8 | 3.0 | 3.5 | 23.3 | 2.3 | 40.8 |
| Don't know | 13.7 | 27.8 | 35.8 | 32.6 | 1.7 | 1.7 | 3.5 | 0.9 |
| Total | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| No. of Cases | 1,175 | 852 | 670 | 298 | 1,155 | 809 | 586 | 165 |

* Data not available because the use of different response categories.

| Table 12.4.3 <br> Most Commonly Cited Reasons for Not Using Contraception at First Sexual Experience among Sexually Experienced Women and Men Aged 15-24 Years Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Women Aged 15-24 Years |  |  |  | Men Aged 15-24 Years |  |  |  |
| Main Reason for Not Using | 2008 | 2002 | 1997 | 1993 | 2008 | 2002 | 1997 | 1993 |
| Did not expect to have sex | 47.8 | 52.5 | 46.6 | 46.9 | 28.7 | 37.1 | 30.7 | 34.7 |
| Could not get method at that time | 3.7 | 12.3 | 6.3 | 4.0 | 11.0 | 12.9 | 10.6 | 7.6 |
| Did not know of any methods | 6.7 | 9.5 | 13.2 | 20.9 | 21.1 | 30.2 | 32.7 | 32.3 |
| Partner was against | 2.3 | 2.8 | 3.4 | 5.6 | 0.3 | 1.3 | 7.0 | 0.9 |
| Too embarrassed | * | 3.2 | 4.2 | 1.6 | * | 2.6 | 4.0 | 2.9 |
| Did not know where to get method | 1.3 | 4.9 | 3.4 | 2.6 | 6.1 | 5.2 | 2.0 | 6.4 |
| Desired pregnancy |  | 1.2 | 1.0 | 0.5 | 0.4 | 0.0 | 0.4 | 1.7 |
| Sex not satisfying when method used | * | * | 0.0 | 0.4 | * | * | 0.3 | 1.3 |
| Did not think it was necessary | 6.1 | * | * | * | 15.2 | * | * | * |
| Negligence | 19.8 | * | * | * | 10.9 | * | * | * |
| Other | 2.7 | 5.3 | 5.7 | 11.7 | 1.8 | 6.5 | 5.2 | 10.2 |
| Does not know/not remember | 9.5 | 8.3 | 16.2 | 5.8 | 4.5 | 4.2 | 7.0 | 3.9 |
| Total | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| No. of cases | 351 | 472 | 669 | 530 | 880 | 1,134 | 1,293 | 672 |

[^74]| Table 12.5.1 <br> Current Sexual Activity Status among Sexually Experienced Women and Men Aged 15-24 Years Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Women Aged 15-24 Years |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Total | Current Union Status |  |  |  | Age Group |  |
| Current Sexual Activity |  | Married | Common Law Union | Visiting Relationship | Not in Union | 15-19 | 20-24 |
| Within 30 Days | 72.6 | 83.6 | 89.7 | 82.2 | 36.3 | 62.0 | 78.4 |
| 1-3 months | 10.4 | 6.0 | 6.2 | 9.6 | 16.5 | 11.9 | 9.7 |
| 4-12 months | 14.2 | 10.4 | 4.1 | 8.1 | 36.4 | 22.0 | 10.1 |
| > 1 year | 2.7 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 10.8 | 4.1 | 1.9 |
| Total | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| No. of Cases | 1,614 | 47 | 458 | 709 | 400 | 557 | 1,057 |
|  | Men Aged 15-24 Years |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Within 30 Days | 68.8 | * | 86.7 | 90.3 | 57.7 | 56.4 | 80.6 |
| 1-3 months | 12.2 | * | 11.5 | 5.5 | 15.2 | 14.9 | 9.6 |
| 4-12 months | 14.3 | * | 1.8 | 4.2 | 19.9 | 21.8 | 7.2 |
| > 1 year | 4.7 | * | 0.0 | 0.0 | 7.2 | 6.9 | 2.7 |
| Total | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| No. of Cases | 2,061 | 8 | 154 | 554 | 1,345 | 998 | 1,063 |

[^75]| Table 12.5.2 <br> Use of Contraception at Most Recent Sexual Intercourse in the Last 30 Days among Sexually Experienced Women and Men Aged 15-24 Years by Current Marital Status and Age Group <br> Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Women Aged 15-24 Years |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Contraceptive Method | Total | Total |  | Current Union Status |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | In Union |  |  | Not in Union |  |  |
|  |  | Age Group |  | Total | Age Group |  | Total | Age Group |  |
|  |  | 15-19 | 20-24 |  | 15-19 | 20-24 |  | 15-19 | 20-24 |
| Any Method | 81.5 | 78.2 | 82.9 | 80.6 | 73.8 | 83.0 | 87.9 | 91.6 | 82.4 |
| Modern Methods | 77.6 | 76.1 | 78.2 | 76.5 | 72.3 | 77.9 | 85.2 | 87.6 | 81.7 |
| Condom | 42.9 | 50.7 | 39.6 | 40.0 | 45.2 | 38.2 | 63.9 | 67.2 | 59.0 |
| Oral contraceptives | 20.4 | 14.1 | 23.1 | 21.0 | 13.8 | 23.5 | 16.3 | 15.1 | 18.0 |
| Injectables | 12.7 | 10.5 | 13.6 | 13.8 | 12.3 | 14.3 | 4.9 | 5.3 | 4.3 |
| Other modern | 1.6 | 0.7 | 1.9 | 1.8 | 1.0 | 2.0 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.4 |
| Traditional Methods | 3.9 | 2.1 | 4.7 | 4.1 | 1.5 | 5.0 | 2.7 | 4.0 | 0.8 |
| Withdrawal | 3.8 | 1.7 | 4.6 | 4.0 | 1.5 | 4.9 | 1.8 | 2.4 | 0.8 |
| Calendar/Rhythm/Billings | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Other | 0.1 | 0.4 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.9 | 1.6 | 0.0 |
| No Method | 18.5 | 21.8 | 17.1 | 19.4 | 26.2 | 17.0 | 12.1 | 8.4 | 17.6 |
| Total | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| No. of Cases | 1,198 | 372 | 826 | 1,040 | 269 | 771 | 158 | 103 | 55 |
|  |  |  |  | Men | ed 15-2 | Years |  |  |  |
| Any Method | 83.9 | 88.4 | 80.9 | 75.9 | 77.8 | 75.4 | 90.5 | 91.7 | 88.9 |
| Modern Methods | 81.5 | 86.0 | 78.5 | 73.8 | 75.4 | 73.4 | 87.8 | 89.3 | 86.0 |
| Condom | 73.9 | 81.1 | 69.1 | 61.5 | 63.1 | 61.1 | 84.1 | 86.9 | 80.8 |
| Oral contraceptives | 5.8 | 4.8 | 6.4 | 9.3 | 12.4 | 8.5 | 2.9 | 2.4 | 3.5 |
| Injectables | 1.6 | 0.0 | 2.7 | 2.8 | 0.0 | 3.5 | 0.7 | 0.0 | 1.5 |
| Other modern | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 0.3 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.3 |
| Traditional Methods | 2.4 | 2.4 | 2.3 | 2.1 | 2.3 | 2.0 | 2.6 | 2.4 | 2.8 |
| Withdrawal | 2.4 | 2.4 | 2.3 | 2.1 | 2.3 | 2.0 | 2.6 | 2.4 | 2.8 |
| No Method | 16.1 | 11.6 | 19.1 | 24.1 | 22.2 | 24.6 | 9.5 | 8.3 | 11.1 |
| Total | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| No. of Cases | 1,458 | 584 | 874 | 667 | 143 | 524 | 791 | 441 | 350 |


| Table 12.5.3 <br> Number of Sexual Partners During the Last 12 Months and Lifetime among Sexually Experienced Women and Men Aged 15-24 Years by Marital Status and Current Age Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Number of Sexual Partners | Young Women |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Young Men |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Total |  |  | Current Union Status |  |  |  |  |  | Total |  |  | Current Union Status |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | Currently in Union |  |  | Not Currently in Union |  |  |  |  |  | Currently in Union |  |  | Not Currently in Union |  |  |
|  |  | Age | roup | Total | Age Group |  | Total | Age Group |  | Total | Age Group |  | Total | Age Group |  | Total | Age Group |  |
|  | Total | 15-19 | 20-24 |  | 15-19 | 20-24 |  | 15-19 | 20-24 |  | 15-19 | 20-24 |  | 15-19 | 20-24 |  | 15-19 | 20-24 |
| Sexual partners in the last 12 months |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0 | 6.2 | 9.9 | 4.3 | 1.2 | 1.5 | 1.1 | 21.5 | 22.0 | 20.9 | 9.6 | 14.6 | 5.0 | 0.7 | 2.1 | 0.3 | 14.4 | 17.0 | 10.0 |
| 1 | 83.5 | 79.5 | 85.6 | 88.2 | 86.1 | 89.0 | 68.8 | 69.9 | 67.4 | 38.7 | 41.8 | 35.9 | 39.8 | 32.8 | 41.9 | 38.2 | 43.6 | 29.4 |
| 2 | 9.0 | 9.5 | 8.8 | 9.4 | 10.9 | 8.8 | 8.0 | 7.3 | 8.9 | 28.3 | 25.2 | 31.2 | 33.6 | 41.6 | 31.2 | 25.4 | 21.9 | 31.2 |
| 3 | 1.0 | 0.9 | 1.0 | 1.0 | 1.5 | 0.8 | 0.9 | 0.0 | 2.1 | 7.9 | 7.5 | 8.2 | 7.7 | 7.8 | 7.6 | 8.0 | 7.5 | 8.9 |
| 4 or more | 0.2 | 0.3 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.8 | 0.8 | 0.7 | 15.3 | 10.9 | 19.5 | 17.9 | 15.7 | 18.5 | 13.9 | 10.0 | 20.5 |
| Refused to answer | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.3 | 0.4 | 0.0 | 0.5 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.0 |
| Mean* | 1.1 | 1.0 | 1.1 | 1.1 | 1.1 | 1.1 | 0.9 | 0.9 | 1.0 | 3.0 | 2.5 | 3.4 | 3.8 | 4.3 | 3.7 | 2.5 | 2.1 | 3.1 |
| Total | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| No. of Cases | 1,614 | 557 | 1,057 | 1,214 | 324 | 890 | 400 | 233 | 167 | 2,061 | 998 | 1,063 | 716 | 161 | 555 | 1,345 | 837 | 508 |
| Lifetime sexual partners |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 33.0 | 46.7 | 25.7 | 27.5 | 34.7 | 24.7 | 50.1 | 64.0 | 30.8 | 10.8 | 17.8 | 4.1 | 4.5 | 10.3 | 2.8 | 14.1 | 19.3 | 5.6 |
| 2 | 29.4 | 31.5 | 28.3 | 30.2 | 36.3 | 27.9 | 26.9 | 24.5 | 30.0 | 9.1 | 11.9 | 6.4 | 8.0 | 10.9 | 7.1 | 9.6 | 12.1 | 5.6 |
| 3 | 14.4 | 11.2 | 16.1 | 15.6 | 15.0 | 15.8 | 10.6 | 5.6 | 17.5 | 12.1 | 16.1 | 8.3 | 11.8 | 20.8 | 9.0 | 12.3 | 15.2 | 7.5 |
| 4 or more | 21.4 | 10.1 | 27.4 | 24.7 | 13.1 | 29.0 | 11.2 | 5.8 | 18.7 | 67.5 | 53.8 | 80.5 | 75.1 | 58.0 | 80.3 | 63.5 | 52.9 | 80.8 |
| Refused to answer | 1.8 | 0.5 | 2.6 | 2.0 | 0.8 | 2.5 | 1.3 | 0.0 | 3.0 | 0.5 | 0.5 | 0.6 | 0.6 | 0.0 | 0.8 | 0.5 | 0.6 | 0.4 |
| Mean ${ }^{\dagger}$ | 3.0 | 2.2 | 3.4 | 3.2 | 2.6 | 3.5 | 2.2 | 1.6 | 2.9 | 7.3 | 5.6 | 8.8 | 8.6 | 7.2 | 9.0 | 6.5 | 5.3 | 8.5 |
| Total | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| No. of Cases | 1,614 | 557 | 1,057 | 1,214 | 324 | 890 | 400 | 233 | 167 | 2,061 | 998 | 1,063 | 716 | 161 | 555 | 1,345 | 837 | 508 |

[^76]| Table 12.5.4 <br> Transactional Sex* Reported by Sexually Experienced Women and Men Aged 15-24 Years by Selected Characteristics <br> Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Women Aged 15-24 |  | Men Aged 15-24 |  |
| Characteristic | Ever Had Transactional Sex |  | Ever Had Transactional Sex |  |
|  | \% | No. of Cases | \% | No. of Cases |
| Total | 3.9 | 1,614 | 14.2 | 2,061 |
| Residence |  |  | 11.9 | 322 |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 2.4 | 233 |  |  |
| Other urban | 5.4 | 433 | 14.5 | 573 |
| Rural | 3.4 | 948 | 14.8 | 1,166 |
| Age group |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 2.7 | 557 | 10.1 | 998 |
| 20-24 | 4.6 | 1,057 | 18.1 | 1,063 |
| Relationship status |  |  |  |  |
| Married | 4.4 | 47 | § | 8 |
| Common law union | 4.4 | 458 | 14.3 | 154 |
| Visiting relationship | 4.3 | 709 | 17.9 | 554 |
| No steady relationship | 2.7 | 400 | 12.7 | 1,345 |
| Education level (in years) ${ }^{\dagger}$ |  |  |  |  |
| 0-9 | 10.6 | 240 |  | 371 |
| 10-12 | 3.3 | 1,208 | 13.7 14.5 | 1,564 |
| 13 or more | 0.6 | 166 |  |  |
| Wealth quintile |  |  | 11.6 |  |
| Lowest | 7.3 | 407 | 13.5 | 453 |
| Second | 5.9 | 387 | 19.1 | 437 |
| Middle | 2.2 | 325 | 11.7 | 391 |
| Fourth | 1.9 | 295 | 14.5 | 416 |
| Highest | 1.7 | 200 | 12.7 | 364 |
| Age at first sexual intercourse ${ }^{\ddagger}$ |  |  |  |  |
| Under 14 | 13.7 |  | 136 | 15.6 | 564 |
| 14 | 7.1 | 195 | 12.6 | 367 |
| 15-17 | 3.4 | 932 | 12.8 | 886 |
| 18-19 | 1.0 | 263 | 16.4 | 136 |
| 20-24 | 0.0 | 5317 | 15.6 | 26 |
| Does nor remember | § |  | 14.7 | 74 |

[^77]| Table 12.6.1 <br> Percentage of Women Aged 15-24 Years Who Received Information about the Menstrual Cycle from a Parent or Step-parent and Their Opinion on How Difficult It Was to Discuss This Subject by Selected Characteristics Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Characteristic | Received Information |  | Opinion on How Difficult It Was to Discuss Menstrual Cycle with a Parent |  |  |  | Total | $\begin{aligned} & \text { No. of } \\ & \text { Cases } \end{aligned}$ |
|  | \% | No. of Cases | Easy | Somewhat Difficult | Extremely Difficult | Does Not Know or Not Sure |  |  |
| Total | 71.0 | 2,342 | 72.2 | 21.5 | 6.1 | 0.2 | 100.0 | 1,610 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 76.4 | 358 | 80.6 | 14.7 | 4.7 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 251 |
| Other urban | 72.6 | 600 | 74.3 | 19.0 | 6.5 | 0.3 | 100.0 | 436 |
| Rural | 67.3 | 1,384 | 66.1 | 27.2 | 6.5 | 0.3 | 100.0 | 923 |
| Age group |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-17 | 78.9 | 758 | 69.5 | 23.0 | 7.3 | 0.2 | 100.0 | 592 |
| 18-19 | 71.8 | 471 | 74.4 | 18.9 | 6.6 | 0.2 | 100.0 | 336 |
| 20-22 | 65.2 | 625 | 74.9 | 21.5 | 3.4 | 0.2 | 100.0 | 398 |
| 23-24 | 65.0 | 488 | 71.1 | 21.9 | 6.9 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 284 |
| Education level (in years) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-9 | 67.9 | 459 | 65.6 | 25.7 | 8.1 | 0.6 | 100.0 | 296 |
| 10-12 | 71.4 | 1,674 | 72.5 | 21.7 | 5.7 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 1,157 |
| 13 or more | 73.0 | 209 | 79.8 | 14.6 | 5.6 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 157 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 59.3 | 538 | 60.9 | 31.4 | 7.6 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 312 |
| Second | 68.3 | 513 | 62.3 | 29.5 | 8.1 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 329 |
| Middle | 70.5 | 475 | 73.2 | 20.7 | 5.3 | 0.8 | 100.0 | 339 |
| Fourth | 79.8 | 473 | 78.5 | 13.3 | 8.0 | 0.2 | 100.0 | 365 |
| Highest | 75.6 | 343 | 80.5 | 17.5 | 1.9 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 265 |
| Sexual experience |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| No | 84.2 | 729 | 74.4 | 20.3 | 5.1 | 0.2 | 100.0 | 603 |
| Yes | 64.3 | 1,613 | 70.7 | 22.4 | 6.8 | 0.2 | 100.0 | 1,007 |

*Excludes 1 woman with missing informations.

Table 12.6.2A
Percentage of Women Aged 15-24 Years Who Received Information about Pregnancy and How It Occurs from a Parent or Step-parent and Their Opinion on How Difficult It Was to Discuss This Subject by Selected Characteristics

Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008

| Characteristic | Received Information |  | Opinion on How Difficult It Was to Discuss about How Pregnancy Occurs with a Parent |  |  |  | Total | No. of Cases |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | \% | No. of Cases* |  | Somewhat Difficult | Extremely Difficult | Does Not Know or Not Sure |  |  |
| Total | 69.2 | 2,342 | 64.5 | 25.6 | 9.8 | 0.2 | 100.0 | 1,570 |
| Residence |  |  | 72.2 | 16.5 | 11.3 |  | 100.0 | 235 |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 73.0 | 358 |  |  |  | 0.0 |  |  |
| Other urban | 70.0 | 600 | 62.861.8 | $\begin{aligned} & 29.1 \\ & 27.4 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 7.7 \\ 10.7 \end{array}$ | 0.40.1 | 100.0 | 424 |
| Rural | 66.8 | 1,384 |  |  |  |  | 100.0 | 911 |
| Age group |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-17 | 77.0 | 758 | 65.5 | 22.7 | 11.8 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 578 |
| 18-19 | 70.3 | 471 | 65.1 | 26.7 | 8.1 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 322 |
| 20-22 | 63.7 | 625 | 65.8 | 26.2 | 7.4 | 0.5 | 100.0 | 393 |
| 23-24 | 62.5 | 488 | 59.1 | 29.2 | 11.4 | 0.3 | 100.0 | 277 |
| Education level (in years) |  |  |  | 29.1 | 14.4 | 0.0 |  |  |
| 0-9 | 64.3 | 459 | 56.5 |  |  |  | 100.0 | 292 |
| 10-12 | 71.1 | 1,674 | 63.9 | 26.4 | 9.6 | 0.1 | 100.0 | $\begin{array}{r} 1,134 \\ 144 \end{array}$ |
| 13 or more | 64.2 | 209 | 81.6 | 13.6 | 3.4 | 1.4 | 100.0 |  |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  | 34.1 |  |  |  | $144$ |
| Lowest | 59.2 | 538 | 54.5 |  | 11.3 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 305 |
| Second | 68.9 | 513 | 55.9 | 25.9 | 18.2 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 333 |
| Middle | 71.3 | 475 | 59.2 | 30.7 | 9.9 | 0.2 | 100.0 | 339 |
| Fourth | 73.0 | 473 | 71.1 | 20.6 | 8.3 | 0.0 | 100.0 | $342$ |
| Highest | 72.6 | 343 | 77.4 | 18.9 | 3.0 | 0.7 | 100.0 | 251 |
| Sexual experience |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| No | 79.1 | 729 | 69.5 | 22.9 | 7.6 | 0.00.3 | $\begin{aligned} & 100.0 \\ & 100.0 \end{aligned}$ | 576994 |
| Yes | 64.2 | 1,613 | 61.3 | 27.2 | 11.2 |  |  |  |

* Excludes 1 woman with missing informations.

| Table 12.6.2B <br> Percentage of Men Aged 15-24 Years Who Received Information about Pregnancy and How It Occurs from a Parent or Step-parent and Their Opinion on How Difficult It Was to Discuss This Subject by Selected Characteristics Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Characteristic | Received Information |  | Opinion on How Difficult It Was to Discuss about How Pregnancy Occurs with a Parent |  |  |  | Total | $\begin{aligned} & \text { No. of } \\ & \text { Cases } \end{aligned}$ |
|  | \% | $\begin{aligned} & \hline \text { No. of } \\ & \text { Cases } \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | Easy | Somewhat Difficult | Extremely Difficult | Does Not Know or Not Sure |  |  |
| Total | 55.9 | 2,775 | 66.7 | 25.7 | 6.8 | 0.8 | 100.0 | 1,560 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 54.1 | 380 | 75.5 | 18.6 | 5.0 | 0.9 | 100.0 | 205 |
| Other urban | 62.3 | 759 | 70.9 | 24.0 | 4.7 | 0.4 | 100.0 | 455 |
| Rural | 52.6 | 1,636 | 60.9 | 29.1 | 8.9 | 1.1 | 100.0 | 900 |
| Age group |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-17 | 56.0 | 1,037 | 63.1 | 28.6 | 7.7 | 0.5 | 100.0 | 597 |
| 18-19 | 58.2 | 615 | 66.5 | 24.6 | 7.8 | 1.1 | 100.0 | 357 |
| 20-22 | 56.4 | 635 | 68.1 | 25.6 | 5.3 | 1.0 | 100.0 | 357 |
| 23-24 | 51.8 | 488 | 73.1 | 20.4 | 5.7 | 0.8 | 100.0 | 249 |
| Education level (in years)* |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $0-9$ | 49.2 | 687 | 59.8 | 27.9 | 11.2 | 1.1 | 100.0 | 362 |
| 10-12 | 57.7 | 1,944 | 67.8 | 25.3 | 6.1 | 0.8 | 100.0 | 1,112 |
| 13 or more | 62.1 | 130 | 80.0 | 18.6 | 1.1 | 0.3 | 100.0 | 78 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 43.4 | 632 | 61.2 | 26.9 | 11.9 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 281 |
| Second | 54.8 | 620 | 58.4 | 28.2 | 10.8 | 2.7 | 100.0 | 351 |
| Middle | 58.6 | 512 | 68.8 | 25.1 | 5.5 | 0.7 | 100.0 | 296 |
| Fourth | 59.6 | 538 | 70.2 | 26.7 | 3.0 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 322 |
| Highest | 63.7 | 473 | 72.7 | 22.1 | 4.6 | 0.6 | 100.0 | 310 |
| Sexual experience |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| No | 55.1 | 714 | 52.7 | 35.3 | 11.8 | 0.2 | 100.0 | 401 |
| Yes | 56.2 | 2,061 | 71.2 | 22.5 | 5.2 | 1.0 | 100.0 | 1,159 |

*Excludes 8 men with missing informations.

Table 12.6.3A
Percentage of Women Aged 15-24 Years Who Received Information about Methods of Birth Control from a Parent or Step-parent and Their Opinion on How Difficult It Was to Discuss This Subject by Selected Characteristics

Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008

| Characteristic | Received Information |  | Opinion on How Difficult It Was to Discuss about Methods of Birth Control with a Parent |  |  |  | Total | No. of Cases |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | \% | No. of Cases | Easy | Somewhat Difficult | Extremely Difficult | Does Not Know or Not Sure |  |  |
| Total | 46.6 | 2,342 | 69.4 | 22.5 | 7.5 | 0.7 | 100.0 | 1,043 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 45.8 | 358 | 72.6 | 16.8 | 9.2 | 1.4 | 100.0 | 148 |
| Other urban | 48.6 | 600 | 73.7 | 20.6 | 5.0 | 0.7 | 100.0 | 274 |
| Rural | 45.6 | 1,384 | 64.5 | 26.6 | 8.5 | 0.3 | 100.0 | 621 |
| Age group |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-17 | 46.1 | 758 | 66.2 | 23.6 | 9.4 | 0.8 | 100.0 | 361 |
| 18-19 | 47.7 | 471 | 74.2 | 17.5 | 7.0 | 1.3 | 100.0 | 218 |
| 20-22 | 49.9 | 625 | 72.5 | 24.2 | 3.0 | 0.3 | 100.0 | 279 |
| 23-24 | 41.2 | 488 | 63.5 | 23.4 | 12.8 | 0.2 | 100.0 | 185 |
| Education level (in years) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-9 | 38.2 | 459 | 54.2 | 30.5 | 13.8 | 1.5 | 100.0 | 181 |
| 10-12 | 47.6 | 1,674 | 71.1 | 21.4 | 6.9 | 0.6 | 100.0 | 753 |
| 13 or more | 53.7 | 209 | 76.4 | 19.7 | 3.7 | 0.3 | 100.0 | 109 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 40.6 | 538 | 60.2 | 28.4 | 11.4 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 199 |
| Second | 40.0 | 513 | 63.6 | 23.2 | 11.5 | 1.6 | 100.0 | 208 |
| Middle | 47.2 | 475 | 76.2 | 18.0 | 5.8 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 219 |
| Fourth | 50.2 | 473 | 71.7 | 19.5 | 8.4 | 0.3 | 100.0 | 241 |
| Highest | 53.9 | 343 | 71.5 | 24.5 | 2.6 | 1.4 | 100.0 | 176 |
| Sexual experience |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| No | 51.1 | 729 | 70.3 | 23.1 | 6.0 | 0.6 | 100.0 | 365 |
| Yes | 44.4 | 1,613 | 68.8 | 22.1 | 8.3 | 0.7 | 100.0 | 678 |

* Excludes 1 woman with missing informations.

| Table 12.6.3B <br> Percentage of Men Aged 15-24 Years Who Received Information about Condom from a Parent or Step-parent and Their Opinion on How Difficult It Was to Discuss This Subject by Selected Characteristics Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Characteristic | Received Information |  | Opinion on How Difficult it Was to Discuss about Condom with a Parent |  |  |  | Total | $\begin{aligned} & \text { No. of } \\ & \text { Cases } \end{aligned}$ |
|  | \% | $\begin{aligned} & \text { No. of } \\ & \text { Cases } \end{aligned}$ | Easy | Somewhat Difficult | Extremely Difficult | Does Not Know/not Sure |  |  |
| Total | 53.1 | 2,775 | 73.2 | 21.3 | 5.1 | 0.4 | 100.0 | 1,506 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 52.1 | 380 | 87.5 | 9.0 | 3.5 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 205 |
| Other urban | 57.2 | 759 | 75.8 | 20.0 | 3.9 | 0.3 | 100.0 | 428 |
| Rural | 51.1 | 1,636 | 67.0 | 26.0 | 6.4 | 0.5 | 100.0 | 873 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-17 | 52.4 | 1,037 | 70.6 | 24.2 | 4.7 | 0.5 | 100.0 | 579 |
| 18-19 | 59.7 | 615 | 74.7 | 18.7 | 6.6 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 357 |
| 20-22 | 49.9 | 635 | 76.4 | 18.5 | 4.3 | 0.9 | 100.0 | 335 |
| 23-24 | 51.0 | 488 | 72.0 | 23.0 | 4.9 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 235 |
| Education level (in years) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-9 | 47.1 | 687 | 70.0 | 23.2 | 6.5 | 0.3 | 100.0 | 343 |
| 10-12 | 55.2 | 1,944 | 73.8 | 20.7 | 5.0 | 0.4 | 100.0 | 1,093 |
| 13 or more | 53.4 | 130 | 80.8 | 18.5 | 0.7 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 62 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 42.4 | 632 | 66.6 | 22.0 | 10.0 | 1.4 | 100.0 | 285 |
| Second | 50.9 | 620 | 70.0 | 24.4 | 5.1 | 0.5 | 100.0 | 335 |
| Middle | 58.1 | 512 | 69.9 | 26.6 | 3.5 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 289 |
| Fourth | 55.7 | 538 | 75.6 | 21.9 | 2.5 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 315 |
| Highest | 59.1 | 473 | 82.4 | 11.7 | 5.8 | 0.2 | 100.0 | 282 |
| Sexual experience |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| No | 54.7 | 714 | 61.0 | 29.3 | 9.4 | 0.3 | 100.0 | 407 |
| Yes | 52.6 | 2,061 | 77.4 | 18.6 | 3.6 | 0.4 | 100.0 | 1,099 |


| Table 12.7.1 <br> Receipt of School-based or Other Formal Family Life Education (FLE) Courses among Women and Men Aged 15-24 Years by Current Age Group <br> Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008, 2002, 1997 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Women Aged 15-24 Years |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Receipt of a FLE Course | 2008 |  |  |  |  | 2002 |  |  |  |  | 1997 |  |  |  |  |
|  | Total | Age Group |  |  |  | Total | Age Group |  |  |  | Total | Age Group |  |  |  |
|  |  | 15-17 | 18-19 | 20-22 | 23-24 |  | 15-17 | 18-19 | 20-22 | 23-24 |  | 15-17 | 18-19 | 20-22 | 23-24 |
| In school only | 71.3 | 72.1 | 69.9 | 72.4 | 69.5 | 69.4 | 74.0 | 69.6 | 68.7 | 61.9 | 70.6 | 75.1 | 67.5 | 72.7 | 62.5 |
| Both in/ out of school | 18.3 | 19.6 | 20.7 | 15.7 | 17.6 | 20.1 | 19.6 | 22.6 | 19.1 | 14.8 | 15.7 | 11.0 | 21.4 | 13.9 | 20.2 |
| None | 10.4 | 8.3 | 9.5 | 11.9 | 12.9 | 10.4 | 6.4 | 7.8 | 12.1 | 18.4 | 13.8 | 13.9 | 11.1 | 13.3 | 17.4 |
| Total | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| No. of Cases | 2,342 | 758 | 471 | 625 | 488 | 1,925 | 568 | 421 | 569 | 367 | 1,991 | 567 | 393 | 630 | 401 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Men | ed 15-2 | ears |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | Age | oup |  |  |  | Age | oup |  |  |  | Age | oup |  |
| Receipt of a FLE Course | Total | 15-17 | 18-19 | 20-22 | 23-24 | Total | 15-17 | 18-19 | 20-22 | 23-24 | Total | 15-17 | 18-19 | 20-22 | 23-24 |
| In school only | 72.3 | 76.1 | 72.0 | 68.1 | 70.5 | 67.1 | 74.5 | 66.8 | 61.7 | 60.2 | 64.5 | 73.2 | 61.4 | 59.4 | 59.4 |
| Both in/out of school | 11.2 | 10.6 | 13.3 | 11.2 | 9.6 | 16.1 | 11.8 | 17.6 | 18.4 | 19.4 | 11.9 | 7.8 | 16.2 | 13.6 | 12.7 |
| None | 16.5 | 13.4 | 14.6 | 20.7 | 19.9 | 16.8 | 13.8 | 15.6 | 19.8 | 20.3 | 23.6 | 19.1 | 22.4 | 27.0 | 27.8 |
| Total | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| No. of Cases | 2,775 | 1,037 | 615 | 635 | 488 | 2,436 | 900 | 531 | 653 | 352 | 2,279 | 799 | 408 | 646 | 426 |


| Table 12.7.2 <br> Specific FLE Topics and Information about Services for Adolescents Covered in the First School-based or Other Formal FLE Courses among Women and Men Aged 15-24 Years Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008, 2002, 1997, 1993 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Women Aged 15-24 Years |  |  |  | Men Aged 15-24 Years |  |  |  |
| Services | 2008 | 2002 | 1997 | 1993 | 2008 | 2002 | 1997 | 1993 |
| FLE topic ${ }^{*}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Pregnancy and how it occurs | 93.2 | 75.0 | 93.8 | 95.4 | 86.3 | 94.5 | 93.5 | 92.0 |
| Menstrual cycle | 92.7 | 95.2 | 96.1 | 96.3 | 73.2 | 82.9 | 84.7 | 78.6 |
| HIV/AIDS | 90.5 | * | 75.0 | 57.3 | 93.9 | * | 82.7 | 60.0 |
| STIS | 89.4 | 87.2 | 87.8 | 87.0 | 91.6 | 91.5 | 93.7 | 89.7 |
| Condoms | 88.7 | 84.5 | 83.5 | * | 92.5 | 93.0 | 93.5 | * |
| Abstinence | 88.5 | 75.4 | * | * | 80.4 | 74.0 | * | * |
| Modern birth control methods ${ }^{\dagger}$ | 71.8 | 92.0 | 72.8 | 78.2 | 70.1 | 72.7 | 75.3 | 78.1 |
| Human reproduction | * | 91.0 | 91.3 | 91.6 | * | 85.3 | 88.7 | 88.4 |
| Information about services available to adolescents |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Counselling | 74.3 | 72.3 | 67.1 | * | 67.9 | 69.7 | 68.3 | * |
| Clinic services | 55.0 | 44.5 | 45.4 | * | 52.5 | 49.1 | 45.6 | * |
| Contraceptive distribution | 51.8 | 33.1 | 34.6 | * | 45.3 | 39.8 | 33.6 | * |
| No. of Cases | 2,112 | 1,694 | 1,626 | 883 | 2,315 | 1,971 | 1,665 | 671 |

* Information was not collected.
$\dagger$ The question reads: " ...... such as the pill, IUD or injectiables."

| Table 12.8.1A <br> Preferred Source of Information about Family Life Education among Women Aged 15-24 Years by Selected Characteristics Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Characteristic | Source of Information |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Total | $\begin{aligned} & \text { No. of } \\ & \text { Cases } \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ |
|  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Parent or } \\ & \text { Other } \\ & \text { Relative } \end{aligned}$ | Teacher | Peers/ Friends | Printed <br> Materials | Health Worker | Mass Media | Counselor | Internet | Other | Does Not Know |  |  |
| Total | 33.5 | 22.5 | 10.9 | 10.3 | 9.9 | 6.2 | 2.1 | 2.0 | 1.9 | 0.6 | 100.0 | 2,342 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 37.9 | 25.1 | 12.5 | 6.6 | 5.2 | 5.0 | 0.4 | 4.7 | 2.0 | 0.8 | 100.0 | 358 |
| Other urban | 28.3 | 22.7 | 11.2 | 9.5 | 13.4 | 9.7 | 1.9 | 1.1 | 1.9 | 0.3 | 100.0 | 600 |
| Rural | 35.3 | 21.2 | 10.0 | 12.6 | 9.5 | 4.1 | 3.2 | 1.4 | 1.9 | 0.7 | 100.0 | 1,384 |
| Age group |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-17 | 41.1 | 32.1 | 8.1 | 4.5 | 4.7 | 2.6 | 3.2 | 0.9 | 2.3 | 0.6 | 100.0 | 758 |
| 18-19 | 33.8 | 20.5 | 12.0 | 10.7 | 9.8 | 8.7 | 1.7 | 0.6 | 1.6 | 0.6 | 100.0 | 471 |
| 20-22 | 27.9 | 17.9 | 12.7 | 11.8 | 14.1 | 8.0 | 2.1 | 2.7 | 2.0 | 0.7 | 100.0 | 625 |
| 23-24 | 28.6 | 14.9 | 12.0 | 17.8 | 12.6 | 6.9 | 0.8 | 4.3 | 1.6 | 0.5 | 100.0 | 488 |
| Education level (in years) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-9 | 36.5 | 29.1 | 13.2 | 5.1 | 6.8 | 3.8 | 2.2 | 0.3 | 2.5 | 0.6 | 100.0 | 459 |
| 10-12 | 34.0 | 22.6 | 10.6 | 9.4 | 10.0 | 6.6 | 2.4 | 1.8 | 2.0 | 0.6 | 100.0 | 1,674 |
| 13 or more | 25.6 | 11.4 | 9.5 | 24.4 | 14.6 | 7.2 | 0.3 | 6.0 | 0.8 | 0.3 | 100.0 | 209 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 30.0 | 22.2 | 14.6 | 9.5 | 10.5 | 5.4 | 3.3 | 0.4 | 3.2 | 0.8 | 100.0 | 538 |
| Second | 33.4 | 21.4 | 12.1 | 11.0 | 12.1 | 4.4 | 3.5 | 0.1 | 1.1 | 0.9 | 100.0 | 513 |
| Middle | 31.2 | 25.0 | 10.9 | 8.4 | 10.9 | 6.4 | 2.1 | 2.3 | 2.1 | 0.7 | 100.0 | 475 |
| Fourth | 34.9 | 28.4 | 6.1 | 11.8 | 6.8 | 5.7 | 1.6 | 3.1 | 1.0 | 0.7 | 100.0 | 473 |
| Highest | 37.6 | 15.6 | 11.4 | 10.7 | 9.6 | 8.7 | 0.6 | 3.7 | 2.3 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 343 |
| Place where course was taken |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| In School Only | 31.3 | 25.8 | 9.9 | 11.0 | 9.4 | 5.6 | 2.7 | 1.9 | 1.7 | 0.6 | 100.0 | 1,688 |
| Both In and Out of School | 40.1 | 17.4 | 6.6 | 8.8 | 13.1 | 6.4 | 1.3 | 3.1 | 3.1 | 0.2 | 100.0 | 400 |
| Never Had a Course | 37.1 | 9.0 | 25.7 | 7.7 | 7.9 | 9.4 | 0.0 | 0.4 | 1.3 | 1.5 | 100.0 | 254 |


| Table 12.8.1B <br> Preferred Source of Information about Family Life Education among Men Aged 15-24 Years by Selected Characteristics <br> Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Characteristic | Source of Information |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Total | $\begin{aligned} & \text { No. of } \\ & \text { Cases } \end{aligned}$ |
|  | Parent or Other Relative | Teacher | Peers/ <br> Friends | Mass Media | Printed <br> Materials | Health Worker | Counselor | Internet | Other | $\begin{gathered} \text { Does Not } \\ \text { Know } \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ |  |  |
| Total | 30.4 | 28.7 | 16.7 | 6.4 | 5.6 | 2.5 | 2.3 | 2.2 | 3.7 | 1.5 | 100.0 | 2,775 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Rural | 29.1 | 30.9 | 16.7 | 8.4 | 4.4 | 2.7 | 1.4 | 2.4 | 3.5 | 0.5 | 100.0 | 1,636 |
| Other urban | 35.4 | 25.4 | 13.8 | 4.9 | 7.1 | 2.5 | 2.7 | 2.3 | 4.0 | 1.9 | 100.0 | 759 |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 25.0 | 28.0 | 22.3 | 2.7 | 6.6 | 1.6 | 4.5 | 1.5 | 3.9 | 4.0 | 100.0 | 380 |
| Age group |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-17 | 32.9 | 37.5 | 13.7 | 2.7 | 3.2 | 2.1 | 3.3 | 1.6 | 2.9 | 0.2 | 100.0 | 1,037 |
| 20-22 | 27.9 | 21.2 | 19.3 | 10.8 | 8.0 | 1.9 | 1.5 | 2.3 | 4.0 | 3.2 | 100.0 | 635 |
| 18-19 | 31.5 | 29.4 | 14.8 | 7.5 | 5.1 | 2.5 | 2.8 | 2.0 | 3.4 | 1.0 | 100.0 | 615 |
| 23-24 | 27.1 | 19.1 | 22.1 | 6.9 | 8.2 | 4.1 | 0.5 | 3.6 | 5.5 | 2.9 | 100.0 | 488 |
| Education level (in years) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-9 | 32.7 | 34.1 | 15.4 | 4.3 | 1.7 | 4.1 | 2.3 | 1.4 | 3.7 | 0.3 | 100.0 | 687 |
| 10-12 | 30.5 | 27.8 | 17.5 | 7.1 | 6.0 | 1.9 | 2.1 | 2.4 | 3.6 | 1.2 | 100.0 | 1,944 |
| 13 or more | 21.0 | 16.6 | 11.7 | 7.4 | 17.4 | 1.7 | 3.9 | 3.9 | 5.0 | 11.4 | 100.0 | 130 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 26.2 | 31.1 | 24.6 | 6.4 | 1.5 | 1.9 | 1.5 | 2.7 | 4.1 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 632 |
| Second | 29.5 | 29.7 | 13.5 | 7.1 | 6.1 | 4.2 | 2.3 | 1.9 | 4.8 | 0.9 | 100.0 | 620 |
| Fourth | 32.0 | 25.9 | 16.3 | 6.1 | 7.2 | 2.0 | 2.6 | 2.1 | 2.9 | 3.0 | 100.0 | 538 |
| Middle | 28.1 | 31.3 | 17.3 | 7.3 | 5.3 | 2.6 | 1.6 | 2.4 | 3.0 | 1.2 | 100.0 | 512 |
| Highest | 36.9 | 25.1 | 11.4 | 5.2 | 8.2 | 1.7 | 3.6 | 1.8 | 3.7 | 2.5 | 100.0 | 473 |
| Place where course was taken |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| In School Only | 29.1 | 35.3 | 13.3 | 6.0 | 5.4 | 1.9 | 2.0 | 1.8 | 3.7 | 1.4 | 100.0 | 2,002 |
| Both In and Out of School | 39.7 | 20.2 | 9.3 | 4.3 | 6.1 | 0.5 | 7.1 | 6.0 | 5.5 | 1.4 | 100.0 | 302 |
| Never Had a Course | 29.7 | 5.5 | 36.5 | 9.6 | 6.3 | 6.5 | 0.1 | 1.3 | 2.6 | 1.9 | 100.0 | 471 |

[^78]| Table 12.8.2 <br> Opinions about How Helpful Specified Sources of Information on Family Life Education (FLE) Are among Women and Men Aged 15-24 Years Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Women Aged 15-24 Years |  |  |  |  |  |
| Source of Information | Opinion about How Helpful Sources of Information on FLE Are |  |  |  | Total | No. of Cases* |
|  | Very Helpful | Somewhat Helpful | Not Helpful | Not a Source |  |  |
| Teachers | 66.7 | 24.4 | 5.4 | 3.5 | 100.0 | 2,342 |
| Television | 58.7 | 32.9 | 4.2 | 4.2 | 100.0 | 2,342 |
| Radio | 45.5 | 39.4 | 6.9 | 8.1 | 100.0 | 2,342 |
| Printed materials | 56.0 | 28.3 | 6.5 | 9.2 | 100.0 | 2,342 |
| Parent or guardian | 56.1 | 23.4 | 14.5 | 6.0 | 100.0 | 2,342 |
| Peers/friends | 36.4 | 41.1 | 14.7 | 7.8 | 100.0 | 2,342 |
| Other relative | 35.2 | 38.8 | 17.3 | 8.7 | 100.0 | 2,342 |
| Youth information center | 13.6 | 14.1 | 13.6 | 58.7 | 100.0 | 2,342 |
| Marge Roper help line | 7.3 | 7.5 | 12.1 | 73.2 | 100.0 | 2,342 |
|  | Men Aged 15-24 Years |  |  |  |  |  |
| Teachers | 66.0 | 24.7 | 5.9 | 3.4 | 100.0 | 2,775 |
| Parent or guardian | 54.6 | 27.0 | 12.3 | 6.1 | 100.0 | 2,775 |
| Television | 47.0 | 44.5 | 4.7 | 3.8 | 100.0 | 2,775 |
| Radio | 37.0 | 46.6 | 9.2 | 7.2 | 100.0 | 2,775 |
| Peers/friends | 36.2 | 48.5 | 11.4 | 3.9 | 100.0 | 2,775 |
| Printed materials | 35.1 | 40.9 | 11.3 | 12.7 | 100.0 | 2,775 |
| Other relative | 27.7 | 44.5 | 18.6 | 9.1 | 100.0 | 2,775 |
| Youth information center | 12.0 | 16.2 | 23.7 | 48.1 | 100.0 | 2,775 |
| Marge Roper help line | 4.0 | 10.2 | 24.0 | 61.8 | 100.0 | 2,775 |

[^79]Table 12.8.3A


* Excludes 1 woman with missing informations.

| Table 12.8.3B <br> Information on Family Life or Sexual Education Seen or Heard in the Past 6 Months among Men Aged 15-24 Years by Selected Characteristics and by Media Source <br> Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Characteristic | Media Source |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  | TV <br> Commercials | Radio Commercials | "Teen Seen" TV Program | JA-STYLE "Outta Road" Radio Drama | NFPB "Youth Forum" | Marge Roper Radio Program | $\begin{aligned} & \text { No. of } \\ & \text { Cases } \end{aligned}$ |
| Total | 12.8 | 82.7 | 73.8 | 37.5 | 7.9 | 21.0 | 4.7 | 2,775 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 9.1 | 85.9 | 69.0 | 27.9 | 9.9 | 13.3 | 5.0 | 380 |
| Other urban | 11.7 | 83.8 | 77.1 | 40.8 | 6.7 | 20.8 | 5.0 | 759 |
| Rural | 14.6 | 81.2 | 73.3 | 38.4 | 7.9 | 23.3 | 4.4 | 1,636 |
| Age group |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-17 | 13.8 | 81.2 | 73.2 | 41.3 | 7.3 | 21.3 | 5.0 | 1,037 |
| 18-19 | 11.8 | 84.7 | 74.5 | 39.1 | 9.1 | 20.4 | 4.1 | 615 |
| 20-22 | 12.0 | 82.5 | 71.1 | 34.0 | 8.1 | 20.8 | 5.5 | 635 |
| 23-24 | 13.3 | 84.0 | 78.3 | 31.9 | 7.3 | 21.2 | 3.8 | 488 |
| Current union status |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Currently in union | 12.8 | 83.9 | 75.9 | 34.7 | 6.5 | 21.8 | 5.1 | 716 |
| Not currently in union | 12.8 | 82.3 | 73.1 | 38.5 | 8.4 | 20.7 | 4.6 | 2,059 |
| Education level (in years) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-9 | 18.7 | 76.3 | 67.1 | 33.3 | 5.6 | 17.2 | 4.6 | 687 |
| 10-12 | 11.2 | 85.2 | 76.2 | 38.2 | 8.4 | 22.1 | 5.1 | 1,944 |
| 13 or more | 9.2 | 79.0 | 71.6 | 47.3 | 11.9 | 21.6 | 1.1 | 130 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 19.5 | 75.3 | 64.8 | 35.3 | 5.8 | 17.1 | 3.7 | 632 |
| Second | 15.8 | 80.6 | 72.1 | 35.8 | 7.2 | 21.2 | 3.3 | 620 |
| Middle | 10.3 | 84.5 | 78.9 | 38.5 | 8.6 | 23.8 | 6.4 | 512 |
| Fourth | 8.1 | 86.1 | 75.0 | 41.8 | 9.9 | 21.8 | 5.6 | 538 |
| Highest | 10.4 | 87.6 | 78.6 | 36.1 | 7.8 | 20.9 | 4.4 | 473 |
| No. of lifetime partners |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0 | 13.2 | 82.6 | 75.4 | 41.3 | 6.8 | 18.5 | 3.9 | 714 |
| 1 | 15.6 | 78.3 | 71.9 | 39.4 | 11.7 | 18.4 | 8 | 243 |
| 2-3 | 14.9 | 79.5 | 72.4 | 39.1 | 9.6 | 26.3 | 4.8 | 421 |
| 4 or more | 12.1 | 83.8 | 72.6 | 35.6 | 7.7 | 21.1 | 4.8 | 1,281 |
| No response/refused | 6.4 | 91.8 | 85.9 | 27 | 3.3 | 19.4 | 1.9 | 116 |

[^80]| Table 12.8.4A <br> Percentage of Women Aged 15-24 Years Who Reported a Behavior-Change Effect <br> After Having Seen or Heard Information on Family Life or Sexual Education in the Past 6 Months by Selected Characteristics and by Media Source Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Characteristic | Media Source |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | TV <br> Commercials | Radio Commercials | $\begin{gathered} \text { "Teen Seen" TV } \\ \text { Program } \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | JA-STYLE "Outta Road" Radio Drama | NFPB "Youth Forum" | Marge Roper <br> Radio Program |
| Total | 17.9 | 9.7 | 23.9 | 17.3 | 12.9 | 19.0 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 19.1 | 9.8 | 25.8 | 19.8 | 9.4 | 7.8 |
| Other urban | 17.8 | 9.8 | 20.3 | 21.6 | 14.7 | 28.6 |
| Rural | 17.4 | 9.7 | 25.3 | 10.9 | 14.4 | 13.5 |
| Ruge group  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-17 | 16.2 | 8.1 | 24.8 | 11.2 | 9.6 | 10.5 |
| 18-19 | 21.9 | 10.1 | 22.9 | 25.5 | 13.6 | 8.4 |
| 20-22 | 19.6 | 11.9 | 24.1 | 18.2 | 16.8 | 35.5 |
| 23-24 | 13.8 | 8.7 | 22.6 | 17.0 | 12.1 | 18.2 |
| Current union status |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Currently in union | 19.5 | 11.1 | 21.1 | 26.1 | 13.3 | 26.1 |
| Not currently in union | 16.3 | 8.3 | 26.4 | 10.0 | 12.5 | 12.7 |
| Education level (in years) |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-9 | 17.7 | 9.2 | 26.8 | 22.6 | 13.6 | 18.2 |
| 10-12 | 18.1 | 10.1 | 23.4 | 17.7 | 13.2 | 20.6 |
| 13 or more | 17.0 | 7.9 | 22.8 | 9.7 | 7.8 | 8.6 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 16.6 | 8.3 | 24.4 | 16.8 | 12.8 | 18.7 |
| Second | 20.6 | 14.0 | 30.1 | 16.6 | 9.8 | 27.7 |
| Middle | 16.3 | 10.4 | 27.8 | 25.1 | 18.5 | 24.0 |
| Fourth | 19.0 | 10.1 | 23.9 | 10.2 | 11.0 | 8.6 |
| Highest | 17.3 | 6.5 | 13.8 | 16.7 | 11.1 | 16.6 |
| No. of lifetime sexual partners |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0 | 13.6 | 7.6 | 23.1 | 9.6 | 7.8 | 12.1 |
| 1 | 23.0 | 13.1 | 26.8 | 18.3 | 18.2 | 33.5 |
| 2-3 | 15.7 | 7.6 | 22.8 | 26.9 | 17.0 | 15.5 |
| 4 or more | 27.2 | 15.5 | 23.9 | 16.5 | 12.2 | 22.2 |
| No response/refused | 4.6 | 2.5 | 16.8 | 30.6 | 0.0 | 41.1 |
| No. of Cases | 1,929 | 1,726 | 1,103 | 452 | 463 | 231 |

* Excludes 1 woman with missing informations.

| Table 12.8.4B <br> Percentage of Men Aged 15-24 Years Who Reported a Behavior-change Effect <br> After They Had Seen or Heard Information on Family Life or Sexual Education in the Past 6 Months by Selected Characteristics and by Media Source <br> Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Media Source |  |  |  |  |  |
| Characteristic | TV <br> Commercials | Radio Commercials | "Teen Seen" TV Program | JA-STYLE "Outta Road" Radio Drama | NFPB "Youth Forum" | Marge Roper Radio Program |
| Total | 22.9 | 15.6 | 25.6 | 16.4 | 18.6 | 16.6 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 24.6 | 20.7 | 29.1 | 12.2 | 17.6 | 33.0 |
| Other urban | 21.4 | 11.9 | 26.5 | 12.7 | 16.7 | 14.7 |
| Rura 23.2 10.5 24.2 19.1  <br> Age group      |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-17 | 22.3 | 16.0 | 24.1 | 17.0 | 19.6 | 8.5 |
| 18-19 | 27.4 | 17.8 | 30.7 | 19.1 | 21.3 | 29.7 |
| 20-22 | 19.3 | 11.4 | 26.6 | 11.1 | 22.3 | 9.5 |
| 23-24 | 23.4 | 17.7 | 20.0 | 19.1 | 5.7 | 37.5 |
| Current union status |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Currently in union | 21.6 | 13.8 | 25.2 | 15.0 | 15.6 | 20.3 |
| Not currently in union | 23.4 | 16.3 | 25.7 | 16.9 | 19.4 | 15.1 |
| Education level (in years) |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-9 | 21.4 | 14.9 | 26.8 | 13.4 | 17 | 5.3 |
| 10-12 | 23.4 | 16.0 | 25.6 | 17.4 | 19.8 | 20.4 |
| 13 or more | 22.6 | 12.8 | 19.0 | 0.0 | 10.7 | 0.0 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 20.2 | 14.9 | 18.6 | 16.8 | 23.7 | 6.9 |
| Second | 24.7 | 16.2 | 22.0 | 16.3 | 15.7 | 24.6 |
| Middle | 25.6 | 17.1 | 29.5 | 19.8 | 15.7 | 21.1 |
| Fourth | 23.0 | 15.6 | 27.2 | 11.2 | 15.9 | 12.5 |
| Highest | 20.7 | 14.1 | 30.2 | 17.8 | 24.5 | 17.4 |
| No. of lifetime partners $\quad 10.0{ }^{\text {a }}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0 | 20.1 | 14.1 | 27.5 | 14.4 | 18.6 | 13.4 |
| 1 | 20.0 | 15.6 | 20.7 | 19.4 | 28.7 | 32.9 |
| 2-3 | 23.4 | 16.8 | 20.4 | 13.2 | 12.8 | 4.4 |
| 4 or more | 24.9 | 17.3 | 26.9 | 17.4 | 18.4 | 17.2 |
| No response/refused | 21.5 | 5.1 | 30.1 | ** | ** | , |
| No. of Cases | 2,267 | 2,053 | 1,105 | 573 | 236 | 128 |

[^81]| Table 12.8.5A <br> Exposure to Selected Topics of Family Life or Sexual Education among Women Aged 15-24 Years Who Have Ever Seen or Heard Messages Distributed by the JA-STYLE Program by Selected Characteristics <br> Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Characteristic | Topics of Family Life or Sexual Education |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | HIV/AIDS | Teen Pregnancy | Preventing Pregnancy and STDs | Sexual Abuse | Drug Use | Gender <br> Violence | No. of Cases |
| Total | 95.9 | 92.8 | 91.6 | 87.3 | 84.4 | 72.3 | 456 |
| Residence <br> Kingston Metropolitan Area Other urban <br> Rural |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 97.6 | 96.4 | 98.6 | 96.0 | 84.7 | 79.0 | 83 |
|  | 93.4 | 89.6 | 88.8 | 83.5 | 85.2 | 71.3 | 125 |
|  | 97.6 | 94.2 | 90.2 | 85.9 | 83.4 | 69.0 | 248 |
| Age group |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-17 | 95.6 | 96.8 | 94.4 | 89.6 | 85.3 | 70.4 | 156 |
| 18-19 | 93.4 | 92.8 | 89.5 | 85.8 | 83.9 | 67.1 | 95 |
| 20-22 | 96.1 | 89.1 | 91.6 | 83.2 | 84.4 | 74.2 | 132 |
| 23-24 | 98.9 | 92.7 | 88.8 | 93.3 | 83.5 | 79.3 | 73 |
| Current union status |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Currently in union | 98.0 | 92.9 | 94.1 | 90.4 | 84.8 | 75.1 | 227 |
| Not currently in union | 94.2 | 92.8 | 89.7 | 84.9 | 84.2 | 70.2 | 229 |
| Education level (in years) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-9 | 96.0 | 96.5 | 93.0 | 89.2 | 86.2 | 66.8 | 74 |
| 10-12 | 97.7 | 95.9 | 94.4 | 88.5 | 85.5 | 71.9 | 339 |
| 13 or more | 85.3 | 71.9 | 74.9 | 79.0 | 76.7 | 80.4 | 43 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 99.3 | 95.3 | 88.6 | 77.8 | 82.1 | 57.8 | 94 |
| Second | 98.5 | 98.6 | 96.2 | 91.7 | 91.6 | 74.3 | 92 |
| Middle | 95.6 | 93.8 | 90.8 | 85.4 | 90.1 | 75.7 | 95 |
| Fourth | 93.9 | 90.3 | 95.0 | 92.0 | 78.4 | 78.0 | 98 |
| Highest | 93.9 | 88.8 | 88.1 | 88.0 | 81.3 | 71.5 | 77 |
| No. of lifetime sexual partners ${ }^{\dagger}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0 | 92.2 | 92.6 | 90.9 | 84.8 | 85.5 | 69.6 | 166 |
| 1 | 98.1 | 90.4 | 92.7 | 89.6 | 79.6 | 71.7 | 107 |
| 2-3 | 98.3 | 95.1 | 91.5 | 86.6 | 85.9 | 73.7 | 135 |
| 4 or more | 99.5 | 92.0 | 92.6 | 94.4 | 84.5 | 79.5 | 47 |

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[^83]| Table 12.8.6 <br> Percentage of Women and Men Aged 15-24 Years Who Have Ever Received Health Counseling by Selected Characteristics and by Type of Counseling Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Women Aged 15-24 Years |  |  |  | Men Aged 15-24 Years |  |  |  |
| Characteristic | Type of Counseling |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { No. of } \\ & \text { Cases* } \end{aligned}$ | Type of Counseling |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { No. of } \\ & \text { Cases } \end{aligned}$ |
|  | HIVIAIDS | $\begin{aligned} & \hline \text { Other } \\ & \text { STIs } \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | Family Planning |  | HIVIAIDS | $\begin{aligned} & \hline \text { Other } \\ & \text { STIs } \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | Family <br> Planning |  |
| Total | 59.5 | 58.3 | 54.6 | 2,342 | 47.3 | 45.4 | 32.4 | 2,775 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 75.1 | 75.1 | 72.7 | 358 | 59.3 | 58.5 | 38.2 | 380 |
| Other urban | 50.0 | 48.3 | 44.7 | 600 | 49.3 | 46.6 | 33.0 | 759 |
| Rural | 59.4 | 58.0 | 53.4 | 1,384 | 42.5 | 40.8 | 30.3 | 1,636 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-17 | 53.2 | 50.6 | 45.4 | 758 | 47.5 | 45.2 | 31.6 | 1,037 |
| 18-19 | 53.9 | 53.5 | 49.5 | 471 | 47.3 | 45.0 | 32.2 | 615 |
| 20-22 | 67.4 | 66.2 | 63.0 | 625 | 48.0 | 47.1 | 32.0 | 635 |
| 23-24 | 64.9 | 65.4 | 63.3 | 488 | 45.7 | 44.3 | 35.0 | 488 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Currently in union | 66.1 | 64.7 | 62.2 | 1,215 | 53.6 | 51.6 | 37.8 | 716 |
| Not currently in union | 53.0 | 51.9 | 46.8 | 1,127 | 45.0 | 43.3 | 30.5 | 2,059 |
| Education level (in years) ${ }^{\dagger}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-9 | 55.3 | 52.5 | 46.0 | 459 | 42.4 | 39.5 | 26.5 | 687 |
| 10-12 | 61.7 | 60.6 | 57.6 | 1,674 | 49.1 | 47.5 | 35.0 | 1,944 |
| 13 or more | 51.6 | 52.3 | 47.6 | 209 | 48.3 | 47.7 | 26.6 | 130 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 57.4 | 55.1 | 52.1 | 538 | 39.6 | 37.7 | 26.7 | 632 |
| Second | 61.1 | 58.7 | 55.5 | 513 | 44.9 | 42.7 | 29.6 | 620 |
| Middle | 57.2 | 57.0 | 55.3 | 475 | 51.0 | 50.1 | 33.8 | 512 |
| Fourth | 60.3 | 59.5 | 54.7 | 473 | 51.0 | 50.3 | 35.9 | 538 |
| Highest | 61.7 | 61.2 | 55.2 | 343 | 50.1 | 46.5 | 36.3 | 473 |
| No. of lifetime sexual partners |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0 | 51.6 | 50.2 | 45.7 | 729 | 43.2 | 42.2 | 31.5 | 714 |
| 1 | 60.4 | 57.9 | 55.6 | 529 | 42.3 | 38.3 | 27.9 | 243 |
| 2-3 | 63.0 | 62.3 | 57.2 | 706 | 49.9 | 45.8 | 30.6 | 421 |
| 4 or more | 69.6 | 69.8 | 67.6 | 333 | 50.8 | 49.8 | 36.1 | 1,281 |
| No response/refused | 67.1 | 64.8 | 65.6 | 45 | 33.3 | 30.1 | 13.8 | 116 |
| Exposure to JA-STYLE program |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Never had | 59.4 | 57.9 | 54.2 | 1,886 | 43.5 | 41.3 | 27.9 | 2,055 |
| Ever had | 60.0 | 59.7 | 55.7 | 456 | 58.1 | 57.3 | 45.1 | 720 |
| Received course on counseling |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Never had | 46.9 | 46.1 | 41.2 | 785 | 27.7 | 25.5 | 14.3 | 1,173 |
| Ever had | 65.6 | 64.3 | 61.0 | 1,557 | 62.1 | 60.5 | 46.1 | 1,602 |

[^84]| Table 12.9.1A <br> Percentage of Women Aged 15-24 Years Who Have Ever Participated in Community Activities for Adolescents by Selected Characteristics and by Type of Activities Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Characteristic | Any Activity | Type of Community Activities for Adolescents |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  | Church Activities | After- <br> School Sporting Activities | $\begin{gathered} 4 \mathrm{H} \\ \text { Clubs } \end{gathered}$ | $\left\|\begin{array}{c} \text { Drama or } \\ \text { Dance } \\ \text { Groups } \end{array}\right\|$ | (Formal Courses, Home-Work Programmes) | Debating | Youth Advocacy Network | Youth Club | Marching Band | Other | $\begin{aligned} & \text { No. of } \\ & \text { Cases } \end{aligned}$ |
| Total | 19.4 | 10.5 | 6.1 | 4.5 | 4.1 | 3.8 | 3.2 | 2.8 | 0.7 | 2.3 | 1.5 | 2,342 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 17.6 | 9.5 | 4.9 | 2.0 | 6.5 | 3.8 | 5.3 | 4.6 | 2.8 | 1.6 | 0.8 | 358 |
| Other urban | 25.2 | 14.9 | 7.2 | 6.3 | 5.5 | 5.6 | 3.9 | 3.7 | 0.2 | 1.9 | 1.3 | 600 |
| Rural | 16.0 | 7.7 | 5.7 | 4.4 | 1.9 | 2.4 | 1.7 | 1.3 | 0.2 | 2.8 | 1.9 | 1,384 |
| Age group |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-17 | 22.0 | 12.5 | 6.4 | 5.9 | 4.8 | 3.8 | 4.7 | 3.0 | 1.5 | 2.3 | 1.5 | 758 |
| 18-19 | 20.7 | 10.9 | 6.7 | 5.7 | 1.9 | 3.1 | 1.0 | 3.7 | 0.1 | 2.7 | 1.5 | 471 |
| 20-22 | 17.8 | 9.4 | 5.6 | 2.3 | 4.1 | 3.2 | 3.0 | 2.3 | 0.6 | 1.4 | 1.1 | 625 |
| 23-24 | 15.8 | 8.2 | 5.6 | 4.2 | 5.1 | 5.3 | 3.3 | 2.1 | 0.3 | 2.9 | 2.1 | 488 |
| Current union status |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Currently in union | 16.2 | 7.1 | 5.9 | 3.2 | 4.2 | 3.5 | 2.6 | 2.1 | 0.5 | 2.8 | 1.3 | 1,214 |
| Not currently in union | 22.7 | 13.9 | 6.2 | 5.8 | 3.9 | 4.0 | 3.8 | 3.5 | 1.0 | 1.8 | 1.7 | 1,128 |
| Education level (in years) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-9 | 14.1 | 7.3 | 3.2 | 2.5 | 3.3 | 2.9 | 1.9 | 2.3 | 1.0 | 3.5 | 0.8 | 459 |
| 10-12 | 18.9 | 10.0 | 6.6 | 5.1 | 3.6 | 3.1 | 2.8 | 2.8 | 0.8 | 2.2 | 1.4 | 1,674 |
| 13 or more | 31.9 | 18.6 | 7.2 | 3.8 | 8.4 | 9.6 | 8.0 | 3.5 | 0.2 | 1.0 | 3.6 | 209 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 12.7 | 6.0 | 5.6 | 3.2 | 1.0 | 1.8 | 1.5 | 0.5 | 0.0 | 3.7 | 0.9 | 538 |
| Second | 16.3 | 7.4 | 7.2 | 3.3 | 4.1 | 3.9 | 1.9 | 0.8 | 0.0 | 3.0 | 1.8 | 513 |
| Middle | 20.0 | 10.7 | 4.8 | 5.3 | 3.1 | 1.7 | 1.0 | 3.9 | 0.2 | 1.0 | 1.9 | 475 |
| Fourth | 20.7 | 10.0 | 7.5 | 5.2 | 3.8 | 3.6 | 2.5 | 3.9 | 0.5 | 2.9 | 1.0 | 473 |
| Highest | 26.4 | 17.5 | 5.3 | 5.3 | 8.1 | 7.6 | 8.7 | 4.4 | 2.8 | 1.1 | 1.8 | 343 |
| No. of lifetime sexual partners |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0 | 25.8 | 17.6 | 6.1 | 5.5 | 4.6 | 4.4 | 4.5 | 4.5 | 1.5 | 1.6 | 1.3 | 729 |
| 1 | 17.0 | 7.3 | 7.3 | 5.7 | 3.2 | 4.7 | 3.2 | 2.6 | 0.3 | 3.3 | 2.4 | 529 |
| 2-3 | 17.0 | 6.3 | 6.5 | 3.7 | 4.2 | 3.5 | 3.3 | 1.9 | 0.6 | 1.8 | 1.6 | 706 |
| 4 or more | 14.7 | 8.4 | 3.3 | 2.6 | 4.4 | 1.7 | 0.3 | 1.3 | 0.0 | 3.6 | 0.4 | 333 |
| No response/refused | 3.0 | 0.0 | 3.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.7 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 45 |
| Exposure to JA-STYLE program |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Never had | 14.8 | 6.9 | 5.0 | 3.1 | 2.7 | 2.7 | 1.8 | 1.7 | 0.6 | 2.1 | 1.1 | 1,886 |
| Ever had | 35.3 | 23.0 | 9.7 | 9.5 | 8.7 | 7.5 | 7.9 | 6.4 | 1.2 | 2.8 | 2.8 | 456 |

* Excludes 1 woman with missing informations.

| Table 12.9.1B <br> Percentage of Men Aged 15-24 Years Who Have Ever Participated in Community Activities for Adolescents by Selected Characteristics and by Type of Activities <br> Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Characteristic | Any Activity | Type of Community Activities for Adolescents |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  | Church Activities | After- <br> School <br> Sporting <br> Activities | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 4H } \\ & \text { Clubs } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Drama or } \\ \text { Dance } \\ \text { Groups } \end{gathered}$ | (Formal Courses, Home-Work Programmes | Debating | Youth Advocacy Network | Youth Club | Marching Band | Other | No. of Cases |
| Total | 19.4 | 5.3 | 13.7 | 3.0 | 1.4 | 2.1 | 1.5 | 2.4 | 2.1 | 0.7 | 1.2 | 2,775 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 23.0 | 4.6 | 15.2 | 1.4 | 2.2 | 4.0 | 2.4 | 0.8 | 1.2 | 2.7 | 1.1 | 380 |
| Other urban | 17.5 | 4.4 | 12.0 | 2.8 | 0.7 | 1.7 | 1.7 | 3.3 | 1.3 | 0.6 | 1.1 | 759 |
| Rural | 19.4 | 6.1 | 14.4 | 3.6 | 1.6 | 1.8 | 1.2 | 2.4 | 2.8 | 0.2 | 1.2 | 1,636 |
| Age group |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-17 | 19.1 | 5.8 | 13.0 | 2.7 | 1.9 | 1.4 | 1.2 | 2.1 | 1.5 | 1.3 | 1.2 | 1,037 |
| 18-19 | 21.0 | 5.6 | 14.0 | 3.9 | 1.5 | 3.0 | 1.8 | 1.8 | 2.1 | 0.2 | 1.9 | 615 |
| 20-22 | 19.0 | 5.4 | 14.4 | 3.4 | 0.9 | 2.1 | 2.2 | 3.5 | 2.8 | 0.5 | 0.6 | 635 |
| 23-24 | 18.6 | 3.5 | 14.2 | 2.0 | 0.9 | 2.9 | 0.8 | 2.3 | 2.2 | 0.3 | 0.8 | 488 |
| Current union status |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Currently in union | 17.7 | 3.4 | 13.0 | 2.4 | 2.0 | 2.4 | 2.3 | 2.0 | 2.6 | 0.6 | 0.4 | 716 |
| Not currently in union | 20.0 | 6.0 | 14.1 | 3.2 | 1.2 | 2.1 | 1.3 | 2.6 | 1.9 | 0.8 | 1.4 | 2,059 |
| Education level (in vears) ${ }^{*}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 10-12 | 19.9 | 5.5 | 13.7 | 3.2 | 1.3 | 2.3 | 1.6 | 2.7 | 2.0 | 0.9 | 1.1 | 1,944 |
| 13 or more | 29.7 | 10.3 | 19.6 | 6.2 | 1.0 | 6.3 | 2.4 | 3.1 | 6.9 | 0.0 | 1.1 | 130 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 18.6 | 3.6 | 13.3 | 3.4 | 0.8 | 1.3 | 0.9 | 3.5 | 1.8 | 0.2 | 1.1 | 632 |
| Second | 19.5 | 5.1 | 13.6 | 3.8 | 2.1 | 1.5 | 1.0 | 2.2 | 1.5 | 1.0 | 0.5 | 620 |
| Middle | 19.2 | 5.3 | 12.3 | 2.5 | 1.1 | 2.5 | 1.1 | 1.7 | 2.2 | 1.4 | 1.7 | 512 |
| Fourth | 18.3 | 4.2 | 13.6 | 2.8 | 0.9 | 1.1 | 2.1 | 1.9 | 2.1 | 0.2 | 1.1 | 538 |
| Highest | 21.6 | 8.5 | 16.2 | 2.4 | 2.2 | 4.7 | 2.5 | 2.8 | 2.7 | 0.7 | 1.3 | 473 |
| No. of lifetime sexual partners |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0 | 19.3 | 7.3 | 13.3 | 2.6 | 0.7 | 1.9 | 2.4 | 1.9 | 0.8 | 0.8 | 1.8 | 714 |
| 1 | 21.7 | 5.2 | 17.9 | 4.2 | 1.0 | 1.5 | 1.4 | 0.9 | 2.3 | 0.4 | 2.0 | 243 |
| 2-3 | 21.5 | 6.2 | 13.0 | 3.2 | 3.2 | 2.1 | 1.9 | 2.1 | 3.5 | 1.7 | 1.2 | 421 |
| 4 or more | 18.3 | 3.6 | 14.1 | 3.0 | 1.3 | 2.5 | 1.1 | 3.1 | 2.2 | 0.3 | 0.5 | 1,281 |
| No response/refused | 20.0 | 8.1 | 8.3 | 1.8 | 0.9 | 1.8 | 0.4 | 2.6 | 2.2 | 0.9 | 2.4 | 116 |
| Exposure to JA-STYLE program |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Never had | 17.8 | 4.7 | 11.9 | 2.4 | 1.5 | 2.1 | 1.3 | 2.4 | 2.4 | 0.7 | 1.0 | 2,055 |
| Ever had | 24.0 | 6.9 | 19.1 | 4.7 | 1.2 | 2.4 | 2.2 | 2.5 | 1.3 | 0.7 | 1.6 | 720 |

[^85]| Table 12.9.2A <br> Percentage of Adolescent Women Aged 15-19 Years Reporting the Presence in the Household of an Adult with High Expectations and Carring Attitudes by Selected Characteristics Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Characteristic | High Expectations |  |  | Caring Attitudes |  |  |  | No. of Cases* |
|  | Adult Who Always Wants the Best Efforts | Adult Expecting Obedience to Rules | Adults Who Believes in Their Success | Adult Interested in Their School Work | Adult Willing to Listen | Adult Who Gives Adequate Attention | Adult with Whom to Talk about Problems |  |
| Total | 95.6 | 95.3 | 92.2 | 90.5 | 87.4 | 84.7 | 84.6 | 1,229 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 98.2 | 96.1 | 94.0 | 95.3 | 90.4 | 89.0 | 90.3 | 193 |
| Other urban | 92.6 | 93.5 | 88.3 | 86.1 | 80.8 | 79.1 | 77.2 | 295 |
| Rural | 96.2 | 96.1 | 94.0 | 91.1 | 90.2 | 86.3 | 86.9 | 741 |
| Age group |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-17 | 97.0 | 97.7 | 93.5 | 93.5 | 87.8 | 87.3 | 84.6 | 758 |
| 18-19 | 93.3 | 91.5 | 90.2 | 85.7 | 86.7 | 80.5 | 84.7 | 471 |
| Current union status |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Currently in union | 88.9 | 88.6 | 83.5 | 78.2 | 80.7 | 76.0 | 79.2 | 325 |
| Not currently in union | 97.9 | 97.6 | 95.3 | 94.7 | 89.7 | 87.7 | 86.5 | 904 |
| Education level (in years) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-9 | 93.1 | 93.8 | 87.0 | 86.8 | 81.9 | 82.9 | 77.9 | 308 |
| 10-12 | 96.7 | 95.8 | 94.2 | 91.4 | 88.7 | 85.2 | 86.7 | 872 |
| 13 or more | 90.4 | 95.1 | 89.1 | 96.2 | 95.8 | 86.4 | 88.3 | 49 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 86.9 | 88.9 | 83.2 | 77.7 | 76.4 | 71.8 | 72.5 | 263 |
| Second | 95.6 | 94.4 | 91.3 | 88.3 | 86.5 | 82.1 | 83.3 | 254 |
| Middle | 98.1 | 97.8 | 94.0 | 91.0 | 88.0 | 84.3 | 86.0 | 250 |
| Fourth | 97.7 | 96.2 | 94.6 | 93.9 | 88.4 | 88.0 | 88.8 | 270 |
| Highest | 98.1 | 98.1 | 96.2 | 98.9 | 95.7 | 94.4 | 90.1 | 192 |
| No. of lifetime sexual partners ${ }^{\dagger}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0 | 99.3 | 98.8 | 96.7 | 96.8 | 92.9 | 91.5 | 89.9 | 672 |
| 1 | 93.3 | 93.2 | 91.2 | 82.9 | 83.3 | 77.9 | 78.9 | 279 |
| 2-3 | 91.7 | 92.6 | 83.9 | 82.7 | 77.9 | 78.2 | 79.8 | 218 |
| 4 or more | 84.3 | 80.8 | 85.3 | 85.9 | 85.3 | 60.7 | 72.9 | 53 |

[^86]| Table 12.9.2B <br> Percentage of Adolescent Men Aged 15-19 Years Reporting the Presence in the Household of an Adult with Carring Attitudes and High Expectations by Selected Characteristics Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Characteristic | Protective Factors Related to High Expectations |  |  | Protective Factors Related to Caring Relationships |  |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { No. of } \\ & \text { Cases } \end{aligned}$ |
|  | Adult Who Always Wants the Best Efforts | Adult Expecting Obedience to Rules | Adults Who Believes in Their Success | Adult Interested in Their School Work | Adult Willing to Listen | Adult Who Gives Adequate Attention | Adult with Whom to Talk about Problems |  |
| Total | 94.3 | 92.3 | 90.8 | 90.7 | 88.2 | 82.5 | 82.0 | 1,652 |
| Residence <br> Kingston Metropolitan Area Other urban <br> Rural |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 95.4 | 94.5 | 93.3 | 92.5 | 91.8 | 80.2 | 81.3 | 216 |
|  | 95.2 | 90.8 | 91.1 | 91.3 | 89.4 | 83.3 | 84.4 | 450 |
|  | 93.4 | 92.5 | 90.0 | 89.8 | 86.6 | 82.6 | 80.9 | 986 |
| Rural <br> Age group |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-17 | 96.4 | 95.8 | 92.9 | 94.9 | 89.4 | 85.4 | 83.2 | 1,037 |
| 18-19 | 90.6 | 86.2 | 87.2 | 83.6 | 86.2 | 77.5 | 80.1 | 615 |
| 18-19 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Currently in union | 83.0 | 85.3 | 84.4 | 77.7 | 85.8 | 76.4 | 74.0 | 161 |
| Not currently in union | 95.5 | 93.1 | 91.5 | 92.1 | 88.5 | 83.2 | 83.0 | 1,491 |
| Education level (in years) * |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-9 | 93.8 | 93.9 | 89.2 | 89.8 | 87.5 | 83.3 | 82.9 | 503 |
| 10-12 | 94.3 | 91.5 | 91.3 | 90.8 | 88.5 | 81.8 | 81.3 | 1,111 |
| 13 or more | 97.6 | 92.9 | 97.6 | 97.6 | 97.6 | 88.0 | 91.2 | 31 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 89.3 | 87.3 | 83.1 | 80.8 | 79.0 | 73.2 | 75.1 | 373 |
| Second | 95.3 | 94.1 | 92.5 | 93.5 | 89.2 | 76.4 | 77.6 | 381 |
| Middle | 95.4 | 93.5 | 92.7 | 93.6 | 89.0 | 85.4 | 84.0 | 315 |
| Fourth | 96.1 | 95.2 | 91.8 | 92.5 | 93.0 | 91.2 | 89.3 | 297 |
| Highest | 95.6 | 91.6 | 94.1 | 93.2 | 91.9 | 88.1 | 85.8 | 286 |
| No. of lifetime partners |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 97.2 | 97.7 | 93.7 | 95.6 | 90.9 | 88.1 | 85.5 | 654 |
| 1 | 89.0 | 91.5 | 87.7 | 85.4 | 87.8 | 83.1 | 82.3 | 195 |
| 2-3 | 90.9 | 90.2 | 90.6 | 88.3 | 87.0 | 82.1 | 82.1 | 248 |
| 4 or more | 94.7 | 87.0 | 88.7 | 88.4 | 87.8 | 75.2 | 78.4 | 510 |
| No response/refused | 92.0 | 90.3 | 87.1 | 84.2 | 70.6 | 81.3 | 75.0 | 45 |

[^87]| Table 12.9.3A <br> Percentage of Adolescent Women Aged 15-19 Years Reporting the Presence Outside the Home of an Adult with High Expectations and Caring Attitudes by Selected Characteristics Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Characteristic | High Expectations |  |  | Caring Attitudes |  |  |  | No. of Cases* |
|  | Adult Who Always Wants the Best Efforts | Adults Who Believes in Their Success | Adult Who Notices a Job Well Done | Adult Who Really Cares | Adult Willing to Listen | Adult Who Notices Discontent | Adult Who Notices Absence |  |
| Total | 95.0 | 94.1 | 92.5 | 94.8 | 94.5 | 92.0 | 91.2 | 1,229 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 95.3 | 94.4 | 93.1 | 96.0 | 97.3 | 93.9 | 95.3 | 193 |
| Other urban | 95.7 | 95.4 | 93.8 | 95.9 | 93.9 | 93.2 | 90.7 | 295 |
| Rural | 94.5 | 93.2 | 91.4 | 93.6 | 93.5 | 90.4 | 89.6 | 741 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-17 | 96.7 | 95.4 | 94.1 | 96.8 | 95.4 | 93.0 | 91.3 | 758 |
| 18-19 | 92.3 | 92.1 | 90.0 | 91.6 | 93.0 | 90.3 | 91.0 | 471 |
| Current union status |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Currently in union | 89.8 | 89.1 | 85.5 | 90.6 | 91.0 | 87.8 | 88.9 | 325 |
| Not currently in union | 96.9 | 95.9 | 94.9 | 96.3 | 95.7 | 93.5 | 92.0 | 904 |
| Education level (in years) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-9 | 94.3 | 92.4 | 91.8 | 96.1 | 91.7 | 89.0 | 86.7 | 308 |
| 10-12 | 95.3 | 94.6 | 93.0 | 94.3 | 95.3 | 93.2 | 92.4 | 872 |
| 13 or more | 95.2 | 96.3 | 88.2 | 95.2 | 96.3 | 89.4 | 96.0 | 49 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 87.2 | 85.3 | 82.9 | 88.1 | 85.2 | 83.4 | 79.9 | 263 |
| Second | 91.1 | 92.2 | 90.1 | 91.9 | 93.1 | 89.3 | 90.6 | 254 |
| Middle | 96.5 | 95.2 | 94.5 | 96.3 | 95.9 | 92.7 | 93.5 | 250 |
| Fourth | 99.0 | 97.8 | 94.4 | 97.5 | 97.2 | 94.7 | 93.1 | 270 |
| Highest | 99.2 | 98.1 | 98.5 | 98.4 | 98.9 | 97.8 | 96.9 | 192 |
| No. of lifetime sexual partners ${ }^{\dagger}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0 | 97.5 | 97.0 | 95.7 | 96.3 | 95.8 | 93.6 | 92.7 | 672 |
| 1 | 92.8 | 91.1 | 90.2 | 94.6 | 93.2 | 90.7 | 90.6 | 279 |
| 2-3 | 93.7 | 92.0 | 89.3 | 91.9 | 94.6 | 90.3 | 91.4 | 218 |
| 4 or more | 87.9 | 90.6 | 85.1 | 86.8 | 92.5 | 94.3 | 83.6 | 53 |

*Excludes 1 woman with missing informations.
$\dagger$ Excludes 7 women who refused to answer.

| Table 12.9.3B <br> Percentage of Adolescent Men Aged 15-19 Years Reporting the Presence Outside the Home of an Adult with Caring Attitudes and High Expectations by Selected Characteristics Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Characteristic | Protective Factors Related to High Expectations |  |  | Protective Factors Related to Caring Relationships |  |  |  | No. of Cases |
|  | Adult Who Always Wants the Best Efforts | Adults Who Believes in Their Success | Adult Who Notices a Job Well Done | Adult Who Really Cares | Adult Willing to Listen | Adult Who Notices Discontent | Adult Who Notices Absence |  |
| Total | 90.3 | 87.7 | 85.3 | 87.6 | 88.8 | 81.4 | 77.8 | 1,652 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 87.0 | 86.4 | 87.5 | 87.2 | 86.8 | 82.9 | 80.7 | 216 |
| Other urban | 95.2 | 95.0 | 90.6 | 92.6 | 93.5 | 87.9 | 83.8 | 450 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-17 | 91.1 | 89.0 | 86.2 | 88.7 | 89.2 | 82.9 | 77.7 | 1,037 |
| 18-19 | 88.9 | 85.6 | 83.7 | 85.7 | 88.1 | 79.0 | 77.9 | 615 |
|    <br> Current union status   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Currently in union | 92.6 | 86.3 | 84.3 | 89.0 | 92.4 | 90.3 | 83.6 | 161 |
| Not currently in union | 90.0 | 87.9 | 85.4 | 87.4 | 88.4 | 80.4 | 77.2 | 1,491 |
| Education level (in years)* $\quad$ * ${ }^{*}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-9 | 87.2 | 86.6 | 84.6 | 83.9 | 87.2 | 79.9 | 73.4 | 503 |
| 10-12 | 91.9 | 88.2 | 85.5 | 89.7 | 89.5 | 81.9 | 79.8 | 1,111 |
| 13 or more | 87.7 | 87.5 | 87.5 | 77.9 | 88.1 | 87.5 | 78.1 | 31 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 82.3 | 81.2 | 73.7 | 78.7 | 78.5 | 70.2 | 66.6 | 373 |
| Second | 90.8 | 87.7 | 86.9 | 87.1 | 90.9 | 80.7 | 75.1 | 381 |
| Middle | 93.1 | 87.7 | 89.7 | 89.4 | 92.2 | 84.0 | 84.3 | 315 |
| Fourth | 93.3 | 90.1 | 83.6 | 91.8 | 90.8 | 86.9 | 78.2 | 297 |
| Highest | 92.4 | 92.8 | 92.8 | 92.0 | 92.0 | 86.6 | 85.4 | 286 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0 | 88.5 | 88.8 | 85.6 | 86.5 | 87.3 | 80.2 | 77.7 | 654 |
| 1 | 89.0 | 88.2 | 85.8 | 88.0 | 90.6 | 79.5 | 78.4 | 195 |
| 2-3 | 93.3 | 90.9 | 86.5 | 89.9 | 91.5 | 86.2 | 76.7 | 248 |
| 4 or more | 92.0 | 87.5 | 85.8 | 87.8 | 90.2 | 84.0 | 79.9 | 510 |
| No response/refused | 85.5 | 62.0 | 70.8 | 85.5 | 75.0 | 57.8 | 65.8 | 45 |

*Excludes 7 men did not answer.

| Table 12.9.4 <br> Resilience Status in the Home and Outside the Home among Adolescent Women and Men Aged 15-19 Years by Selected Characteristics <br> Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Women Aged 15-19 Years |  |  |  | Men Aged 15-19 Years |  |  |  |
| Characteristic | Resilience Status |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { No. of } \\ & \text { Cases }^{\text {s }} \end{aligned}$ | Resilience Status |  |  |  |
|  | Any <br> Resilience* | In-home Resilience ${ }^{\dagger}$ | Out-of- <br> home <br> Resilience |  | Any Resilience* | In-home Resilience ${ }^{\dagger}$ | Out-ofhome Resilience ${ }^{\ddagger}$ | No. of Cases |
| Total | 92.4 | 87.7 | 93.7 | 1,229 | 84.3 | 88.7 | 84.7 | 1,652 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 94.7 | 91.3 | 95.3 | 193 | 85.8 | 91.5 | 85.0 | 216 |
| Other urban | 91.7 | 82.1 | 94.3 | 295 | 89.5 | 88.5 | 91.4 | 450 |
| Rural | 91.9 | 89.6 | 92.5 | 741 | 80.8 | 88.1 | 80.6 | 986 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-17 | 94.9 | 89.2 | 94.8 | 758 | 86.9 | 91.9 | 84.9 | 1037 |
| 18-19 | 88.6 | 85.2 | 91.8 | 471 | 79.8 | 83.3 | 84.3 | 615 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-9 | 89.3 | 82.9 | 91.5 | 308 | 83.5 | 87.7 | 82.0 | 503 |
| 10-12 | 93.5 | 89.3 | 94.3 | 872 | 84.5 | 88.9 | 85.9 | 1111 |
| 13 or more | 93.5 | 88.9 | 96.3 | 49 | 87.5 | 97.6 | 87.5 | 31 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 79.0 | 75.8 | 83.3 | 263 | 73.3 | 79.7 | 73.5 | 373 |
| Second | 89.7 | 85.0 | 92.1 | 254 | 84.1 | 90.0 | 84.4 | 381 |
| Middle | 94.9 | 90.2 | 95.5 | 250 | 89.5 | 91.0 | 88.6 | 315 |
| Fourth | 96.4 | 89.6 | 97.0 | 270 | 86.2 | 92.4 | 87.9 | 297 |
| Highest | 99.2 | 95.5 | 98.2 | 192 | 89.0 | 91.1 | 89.8 | 286 |
| Sexual experinece |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Never had | 96.4 | 94.4 | 96.0 | 672 | 86.4 | 92.8 | 83.0 | 654 |
| Ever had | 87.3 | 79.0 | 90.7 | 557 | 83.0 | 86.2 | 85.7 | 998 |
| Church attendance ${ }^{\boxed{ }}$ At least once a week | 97.3 | 93.2 | 97.7 | 502 | 91.5 | 94.0 | 88.5 | 424 |
| At least once a month | 92.0 | 90.7 | 93.5 | 210 | 90.9 | 95.2 | 88.8 | 263 |
| Less than once a month | 94.7 | 89.2 | 94.1 | 167 | 80.6 | 89.1 | 81.5 | 252 |
| Special occasions | 85.5 | 76.1 | 87.9 | 198 | 84.3 | 89.5 | 85.9 | 425 |
| Never | 82.0 | 76.1 | 86.5 | 147 | 71.5 | 73.6 | 77.0 | 281 |
| Community activities for youths |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Never attended | 90.8 | 87.4 | 92.5 | 972 | 83.4 | 86.9 | 84.0 | 1282 |
| Ever attended | 97.7 | 88.6 | 97.6 | 257 | 87.3 | 94.9 | 86.9 | 370 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Never had | 91.9 | 86.4 | 93.3 | 978 | 81.6 | 86.4 | 82.7 | 1235 |
| Ever had | 94.5 | 92.5 | 94.8 | 251 | 92.0 | 95.5 | 90.4 | 417 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| School-based only | 93.2 | 87.9 | 94.6 | 893 | 85.9 | 90.4 | 86.0 | 1222 |
| School-based and out-of-school | 98.1 | 95.6 | 98.5 | 226 | 93.2 | 91.7 | 94.1 | 183 |
| No formal sex education | 72.9 | 67.7 | 75.1 | 110 | 68.2 | 77.0 | 69.7 | 247 |

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[^89]| Characteristic <br> Total <br> Residence <br> Kingston Metropolitan Area <br> Other urban <br> Rural <br> Age group <br> 15-17 <br> 18-19 <br> 20-22 <br> 23-24 <br> Education level (in years) ${ }^{\ddagger}$ <br> 0-9 <br> 10-12 <br> 13 or more <br> Wealth quintile <br> Lowest <br> Second <br> Middle <br> Fourth <br> Highest <br> Sexual experience <br> No <br> Yes <br> Church attendance ${ }^{\S}$ <br> At least once a week <br> At least once a month <br> Less than once a month <br> Special occasions <br> Never <br> Exposure to JA-STYLE program <br> Never had <br> Ever had <br> Had FLE course(s) on HIV <br> Never had <br> Ever had <br> Had FLE course(s) on STIs <br> Never had <br> Ever had <br> Exposure to community activities <br> Never had <br> Ever had |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Women Aged 15-24 Years |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Comprehensive HIV Knowledge | Knowledge of a Place for HIVTesting | Knowledge of Place for STI Treatment | No. of Cases ${ }^{\dagger}$ | Comprehensive HIV Knowledge* | Knowledge of a Place for HIVTesting | Knowledge of a Place for STI Treatment | No. of Cases |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  | Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  | 380 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 58.7 | 91.9 | 92.5 | 600 | 60.7 | 89.1 | 92.7 | 759 |
|  |  | Rural 60.0 92.2 94.2 1,384 53.4 83.2 91.3 <br> Age group        |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 62.5 | 84.3 | 88.8 | 758 | 49.2 | 76.5 | 84.5 | 1,037 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 59.2 | 91.5 | 92.9 | 471 | 57.6 | 86.3 | 93.6 | 615 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 65.7 | 95.0 | 96.8 | 625 | 53.9 | 90.1 | 95.9 | 635 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 64.8 | 96.6 | 96.4 | 488 | 59.9 | 94.0 | 96.3 | 488 |
|  |  | Education level (in years) ${ }^{\ddagger}$ |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 65.1 | 92.3 | 94.0 | 1,674 | 56.9 | 87.4 | 93.9 | 1,944 |
|  |  | 13 or more 60.7 98.4 98.4 209 93.8 98.6 <br> Wealth quintile       |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 53.9 | 89.4 | 91.3 | 538 | 46.1 | 80.5 | 88.6 | 632 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 57.7 | 92.8 | 96.2 | 513 | 53.4 | 83.4 | 88.7 | 620 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 69.8 | 90.3 | 96.2 | 475 | 51.9 | 87.5 | 90.3 | 512 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 63.6 | 89.7 | 87.3 | 473 | 59.9 | 85.2 | 94.3 | 538 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 69.4 | 93.3 | 95.7 | 343 | 58.8 | 88.0 | 94.3 | 473 |
|  |  | Sexual experience |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 62.9 | 86.3 | 89.5 | 729 | 54.3 | 75.5 | 84.1 | 714 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 63.3 | 93.6 | 95.3 | 1,613 | 53.8 | 88.0 | 93.6 | 2,061 |
|  |  | Church attendance ${ }^{\S}$ |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 61.8 | 91.9 | 92.8 | 771 | 48.1 | 81.2 | 89.9 | 558 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 65.3 | 89.5 | 92.7 | 401 | 52.1 | 82.6 | 88.3 | 367 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 66.5 | 92.6 | 95.8 | 354 | 59.5 | 84.8 | 90.7 | 399 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 60.1 | 91.4 | 93.3 | 478 | 56.7 | 87.1 | 92.5 | 870 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 64.3 | 89.1 | 92.8 | 331 | 52.9 | 86.6 | 92.9 | 566 |
|  |  | Exposure to JA-STYLE program |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 63.1 | 90.7 | 92.8 | 1,886 | 50.5 | 83.3 | 89.5 | 2,055 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 63.2 | 92.6 | 95.3 | 456 | 63.6 | 89.3 | 95.9 | 720 |
|  |  | Had FLE course(s) on HIV |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 57.5 | 87.9 | 92.4 | 162 | 44.8 | 88.2 | 95.9 | 105 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 63.5 | 91.3 | 93.4 | 2,180 | 53.6 | 84.7 | 91.0 | 2,670 |
|  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 54.0 | 87.2 | 90.3 | 196 | 47.2 | 85.1 | 85.8 | 156 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 63.9 | 91.4 | 93.6 | 2,146 | 53.6 | 84.8 | 91.5 | 2,619 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 64.2 | 90.7 | 93.3 | 1,909 | 55.5 | 84.4 | 90.9 | 2,142 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 59.3 | 92.8 | 93.5 | 433 | 48.4 | 86.4 | 92.3 | 633 |

[^90]Table 12.10.3
Disagreement with Traditional Gender Roles and Opposition to Intimate Partner Violence (IPV) among Women and Men Aged 15-24 Years by Selected Characteristics

Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008

|  | Women Aged 15-24 Years |  |  | Men Aged 15-24 Years |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Characteristic | Disagreement with Traditional Gender Roles* | Opposition to IPV Under Any Circumstances | No. of Cases ${ }^{\dagger}$ | Disagreement with Traditional Gender Roles* | $\left\lvert\, \begin{gathered} \text { Opposition to IPV } \\ \text { Under Any } \\ \text { Circumstances } \end{gathered}\right.$ | No. of Cases |
| Total | 28.6 | 95.0 | 2,342 | 9.0 | 80.4 | 2,775 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 28.2 | 94.7 | 358 | 11.9 | 71.9 | 380 |
| Other urban | 30.5 | 96.8 | 600 | 9.5 | 80.8 | 759 |
| Rural | 27.4 | 93.8 | 1,384 | 7.8 | 82.6 | 1,636 |
| Age group |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-17 | 22.9 | 94.8 | 758 | 10.0 | 82.3 | 1,037 |
| 18-19 | 33.6 | 94.9 | 471 | 9.7 | 77.4 | 615 |
| 20-22 | 29.8 | 95.0 | 625 | 9.3 | 79.7 | 635 |
| 23-24 | 31.2 | 95.5 | 488 | 5.2 | 80.9 | 488 |
| Education level (in years) ${ }^{\ddagger}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-9 | 21.6 | 94.1 | 459 | 6.7 | 76.8 | 687 |
| 10-12 | 28.0 | 94.9 | 1,674 | 9.1 | 81.3 | 1,944 |
| 13 or more | 44.2 | 97.0 | 209 | 18.1 | 83.3 | 130 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 20.2 | 94.3 | 538 | 5.3 | 81.5 | 632 |
| Second | 29.5 | 93.1 | 513 | 8.0 | 76.7 | 620 |
| Middle | 27.6 | 95.3 | 475 | 10.0 | 80.6 | 512 |
| Fourth | 30.7 | 96.2 | 473 | 11.8 | 81.3 | 538 |
| Highest | 34.3 | 95.8 | 343 | 9.9 | 81.8 | 473 |
| Sexual experience |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| No | 25.8 | 95.3 | 729 | 11.3 | 87.5 | 714 |
| Yes | 30.0 | 94.9 | 1,613 | 8.2 | 78.0 | 2,061 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| At least once a week | 26.8 | 96.6 | 771 | 12.3 | 86.1 | 558 |
| At least once a month | 29.1 | 94.2 | 401 | 12.5 | 80.1 | 367 |
| Less than once a month | 29.1 | 93.9 | 354 | 7.6 | 83.2 | 399 |
| Special occasions | 28.3 | 95.4 | 478 | 8.1 | 78.0 | 870 |
| Never | 32.5 | 92.2 | 331 | 5.6 | 77.0 | 566 |
| Exposure to community activities |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Never had | 26.4 | 94.5 | 1,909 | 8.0 | 80.3 | 2,142 |
| Ever had | 36.9 | 96.9 | 433 | 12.4 | 80.5 | 633 |
| Exposure to JA-STYLE program |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Never had | 29.8 | 95.3 | 1,886 | 8.9 | 79.2 | 2,055 |
| Ever had | 24.5 | 93.9 | 456 | 9.1 | 83.6 | 720 |

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## Chapter 13

## Sexually Transmitted Infections

Chapter 13 includes findings on sexually-transmitted infections (STIs). It documents awareness, knowledge, and experiences of specific STIs and STI symptoms. Sexual behaviors that are associated with the risk of STIs are also examined and include sexual relations with non-steady partners, multiple sexual partners, lack of condom use, and alcohol and drug use during sexual intercourse for women aged 15-49 years and men aged 15-24 years. The chapter ends with self-perceived risk of STIs.

### 13.1 Awareness and Knowledge of STIs

Table 13.1.1A shows the percentages of women who knew or had heard of each of the following STIs: HIV/AIDS, gonorrhea, syphilis, genital herpes, genital warts (papilloma), trichomoniasis, chlamydia, and chancroid. The most commonly heard STI was HIV/AIDS, with $99.9 \%$ of women reporting awareness. A more detailed documentation of HIV/AIDS can be found in Chapter 14, and this chapter focuses on other STIs. Gonorrhea and syphilis were also similarly well known, with $99.5 \%$ and $98.4 \%$ of women reporting awareness, respectively. Among women, the least well known STI was chancroid ( $28.5 \%$ ), followed by chlamydia ( $44.7 \%$ ). Particularly for these less-well known STIs, residence in Kingston and higher educational attainment and wealth quintile were associated with greater awareness. Having more lifetime sexual partners did not seem to increase the awareness. The percentage of women who were aware by current partnership status varied according to the STIs. Compared to young men, women of the same age range were more likely to report awareness of almost all STIs (Figure 13.1.1 and Tables 13.1.1A and 13.1.1B).

Table 13.1.2A shows the percentage of women aged 15-49 with knowledge of STI symptoms. The most common symptoms spontaneously mentioned were abnormal vaginal discharge ( $65.5 \%$ ) and foul-smelling discharge ( $63.2 \%$ ), followed by genital itching ( $52.3 \%$ ), abdominal pain (34.7\%), presence of sores, ulcers or warts in the genital area (33.9\%) and painful urination (33.4\%). The least mentioned symptoms were: weight loss (12.9\%), swelling or redness in the genital area ( 12.1 and $10.4 \%$ ), and infertility ( $4.2 \%$ ). Knowledge of STI symptoms increased directly with the number of years of education and the socioeconomic (wealth) status of the household.

On average, men aged 15-24 years were slightly less likely than women to be able to name STI symptoms; the most commonly mentioned STI symptom was discharge from the penis (53.8\%), followed by genital itching (46.6\%), abdominal pain, genital sores, ulcers or warts, and painful urination (Table 13.1.2B). Similar to the women's answers, the least mentioned STI symptom was infertility (3.4\%).

Figure 13.1
Awareness of Selected STIs among Women and Men Aged 15-24 Years Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008


### 13.2 Source of Information about STIs

The most important source of information about STIs, including HIV/AIDS, were: a health worker (nurse or midwife, family doctor, or OB/GYN doctor), mentioned by $22.7 \%$ of women aged 1549 years, followed by TV (22.1\%), teacher (13.6\%), and printed media (11.3\%) (Table 13.2A). There were some variations in this pattern by the key characteristics. Women aged 15-19 years and those who have never had a sexual partner mentioned teacher as the most important source of information ( $39.7 \%$ and $37.8 \%$, respectively). Urban women were more likely to consider various mass-media to be the most important source, while rural residents were more likely to gain information from health professionals. Women with high educational attainment and those living in households in the higher wealth quintiles were more likely to mention printed media and less likely to name health professionals compared to women of lower socioeconomic status. Similar patterns were observed among young adult men, including the most important source of information being a teacher among men aged 15-19 years (41.9\%) (Table 13.2B).

The second most important source of information for young adults was mass media (TV, radio, or printed media), followed by a parent, relative, or other family member. Interestingly, twice as many young adult women as young adult men mentioned a health professional as the
principal source of information, and twice as many young men got their information from friends as did young women (Figure 13.2).

Figure 13.2
Principal Source of Information about STIs among Women and Men Aged 15-24 Years Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008


### 13.3 Self-Reported Experiences of STIs and STI Symptoms

The proportions of women with sexual experience who reported having had STIs at one point in their lifetime were small, ranging from $3.6 \%$ of women who reported diagnosis of trichmoniasis to $0.1 \%$ who reported chancroid (Table 13.3.1A). Women who reported trichomoniasis were concentrated in the Kingston metropolitan area ( $6.5 \%$ ) and in Hanover ( $9.0 \%$ ), were more likely women to be aged $30-34$ years (5.3\%), to be in a visiting partner relationship (4.7\%), and to have at least 13 years of schooling (5.4\%). Among young men, gonorrhea was the most commonly experienced STI (4.3\%) (Table 13.3.1B). Other STIs were reported by less than $1 \%$ of the sample. Men in either marital or common law unions had the higher prevalence of gonorrhea (10.5\%) of all partnership status.

In addition to lifetime experiences of specific STIs, the survey asked about a recent experience of STI symptoms (Table 13.3.2A and Figure 13.3). Among women who had had sexual intercourse in the 12 months before the interview, the most commonly experienced STI symptom was abnormal vaginal discharge (18.3\%); in conjunction with vaginal discharge, $11.8 \%$ of women reported genital itching, $6.5 \%$ reported abdominal pain, and $3.8 \%$ had painful urination or pain during sexual intercourse (3.7\%). Less than one percent of women reported "sores, warts, or ulcers in the genital area" during the last 12 months. STI symptoms were more commonly reported among women in Kingston and other urban areas, women aged 25-29 years, and
women with 13 or more years of schooling, suggesting that reporting of STI symptoms may be correlated with STI awareness. Married women had the lowest percent reporting STI symptoms. Women who reported 4 or more lifetime sexual partners or 2 or more recent partners (last 12 months) were more likely to report STI symptoms than women with fewer partners.

Table 13.3.2B and Figure 13.3 show that the most commonly experienced STI symptoms among young men in the 12 months prior to the interview were abnormal penile discharge (2.6\%) and painful urination (1.5\%) in conjunction with abnormal discharge. Compared to young adult women, men were considerably less likely to report any recent STI symptoms.


Among 1,243 women who reported having vaginal discharge, with or without satellite symptoms, about one in five women (22.3\%) did not seek any treatment (data not shown). Not seeking treatment was more common among women with less stable relationships, and reached the highest level among those with no steady partners (32.7\%). Among those who sought treatment, the most common source was a private doctor, or private health care facility, followed by a governmental clinic or hospital (13.3.3). Young adult women were more likely to seek treatment than were men of the same age; $28.6 \%$ of young women ages 15-24 years did not seek STI treatment compared to $37.1 \%$ of young men (men's data not shown).

### 13.4 Risky Sexual Behaviors

This section examines several sexual behaviors which are known to be associated with an increased risk of STI-transmission. Having multiple recent sexual partners is uncommon among women of reproductive age; only $3.8 \%$ of women reported 2 or more sexual partners (either
steady or non-steady partners) in the 3 months preceding the interview and $7.4 \%$ reported multiple partners in the last 12 months (Table 13.4A) Having had multiple sexual partners was more common in urban areas other than Kingston, among women aged 15-24 years, and among those living in households with the lowest wealth status. Women in visiting partner or boyfriend relationships were more likely to have had multiple partners in the past 3 months and in the past 12 months than were women with steady partners. By contrast, young adult men were 8 times and 5 times, respectively, more likely to report multiple sexual partners in the last 3 and 12 months, than young adult women ( $39.2 \%$ vs. $5.5 \%$ and $57.1 \%$ vs. $11.0 \%$ ) (Table 13.4 B ).

About one in seven (14.5\%) of women who had sexual intercourse in the last 12 months had at least one sexual encounter with someone other than a union-partner-that is a boyfriend, friend, casual acquaintance, or a person just met. Young age (15-24 years) and having 4 or more lifetime partners were associated with higher likelihood of sexual intercourse with a nonunion partner. As for current relationship status, only $3.8 \%$ of women in a legal or consensual marriage reported having had sex with a boyfriend or non-steady partner during the last 12 months and $13.3 \%$ of women in a visiting partnership reported sexual intercourse with a nonsteady partner during the last year. Conversely, almost all (96.1\%) young men reported sexual intercourse with a non-union partner in the last 12 months, including $50.8 \%$ of men who were in legal or consensual unions.

The middle and right panels of Tables 13.4 A and B show risky sexual behaviors associated with sexual intercourse among respondents with multiple partners in the last 12 months and those with non-union sexual intercourse in the last 12 months. Among young adult women and men with multiple partners in the last 12 months, a substantial proportion ( $46.2 \%$ and $21.5 \%$, respectively) reported non-use of condoms at the last sexual encounter. Use of alcohol and/or drugs at the time of the last sexual encounter was reported by $26.5 \%$ of young women and $18.0 \%$ of young men with multiple partners in the last 12 months. Having unprotected sexual intercourse with a non-union partner in the last 12 months was reported by one in three (34.7\%) women aged 15-49 years. Rates of unprotected intercourse increased with age and were inversely related with educational attainment and wealth status. Encouragingly, the women who were currently in a sexual relationship with a steady partner, who were also more likely to be young, were the least likely to report unprotected last intercourse (24.7\%). However, 45.6\% of women in current union relationships who had intercourse with non-union partners in the last 12 months reported unprotected last intercourse. Young adult women who reported intercourse with non-union partners had similar overall levels of unprotected last intercourse as the young adult men ( $25.7 \%$ vs. $26.2 \%$ ). Among young men, non-use of condom with a recent non-union partner was slightly higher among Kingston residents (37.2\%) than among those residing in other urban or rural areas ( $25.7 \%$ and $22.4 \%$ ). Non-use was also higher among men currently in a visiting relationship (34.4\%) and those with 13 or more years of education (38.0\%).


Reported use of alcohol or drugs at the last sexual intercourse with a non-union partner in the past 12 months was relatively low ( $13.1 \%$ among women aged 15-49 years and $19.4 \%$ among men aged 15-24 years). Urban residence, currently being in a legal marriage or consensual union, lower education levels, and a history of multiple lifetime sexual partners were associated with higher alcohol or drug use at the last intercourse with a non-union partner. Young men were slightly more likely to use either alcohol or drug or both during the sex with non-union partners than were young women (19.4\% vs. 13.1\%).

### 13.5 Self-Perceived Risk of STIs

Table 13.5A shows that one half ( $50.0 \%$ ) of women aged 15-49 years who had sexual intercourse in the last 12 months considered themselves to be at no risk of STIs; one in three (32.6\%) women reported to have "little" risk and $14.8 \%$ reported moderate or high risk. Larger percentages of women with self-perceived "great" risk were found in Kingston (11.8\%), Portland (10.9\%) and St. Mary (10.1\%) parishes. Women with multiple sexual partners in the past 12 months or 4 or more lifetime sexual partners were more likely to perceive moderate or high risk to contract a sexually transmitted infection than other women. Young men aged 15-19 and 20-24 years were slightly more likely than women of comparative ages to perceive they were at great risk of STIs ( $6.0 \%$ and $7.6 \%$ versus $4.0 \%$ and $5.2 \%$ ) (Table 13.5B).

| Table 13.1.1A <br> Awareness of STIs among Women Aged 15-49 Years by Selected Characteristics Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Characteristic | Selected STIs |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | No. of Cases |
|  | HIV/AIDS | Gonorrhea | Syphilis | Genital Herpes | Genital <br> Warts <br> 57.1 | Trichomoniasis | Chlamydia | Chancroid |  |
| Total | 99.9 | 99.5 | 98.4 | 93.2 |  | 52.4 |  | 28.5 | 8,259 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 100.0 | 98.8 | 99.4 | 96.3 | 74.8 | 67.5 | 52.2 | 45.2 | 1,198 |
| Other urban | 100.0 | 99.8 | 98.7 | 95.0 | 61.7 | 55.4 | 50.3 | 29.4 | 2,283 |
| Rural | 99.8 | 99.5 | 97.7 | 90.2 | 44.8 | 42.7 | 36.6 | 19.9 | 4,778 |
| Health region |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 99.9 | 99.5 | 99.0 | 95.5 | 66.4 | 58.5 | 52.1 | 36.8 | 2,340 |
| 2 | 99.8 | 27.8 | 98.2 | 90.0 | 40.9 | 46.5 | 40.4 | 23.7 | 1,761 |
| 3 | 100.0 | 99.4 | 97.4 | 91.3 | 50.8 | 47.7 | 37.9 | 24.7 | 2,313 |
| 4 | 100.0 | 99.6 | 98.2 | 91.9 | 52.6 | 47.2 | 38.0 | 17.2 | 1,845 |
| Parish |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston | 100.0 | 99.6 | 99.2 | 97.2 | 73.2 | 68.2 | 57.2 | 44.8 | 644 |
| St. Andrew | 100.0 | 98.8 | 99.3 | 96.0 | 73.9 | 64.9 | 51.7 | 43.8 | 636 |
| St. Thomas | 100.0 | 99.7 | 98.8 | 91.2 | 45.0 | 60.7 | 40.5 | 20.6 | 504 |
| Porland | 100.0 | 99.7 | 99.2 | 92.8 | 52.4 | 52.9 | 41.9 | 20.8 | 516 |
| St. Mary | 100.0 | 98.8 | 99.1 | 84.4 | 46.6 | 52.4 | 36.8 | 27.2 | 542 |
| St. Ann | 99.6 | 99.4 | 97.1 | 93.0 | 31.6 | 39.2 | 42.6 | 22.1 | 703 |
| Trelawny | 100.0 | 98.6 | 98.4 | 90.0 | 61.8 | 48.3 | 49.8 | 23.0 | 516 |
| St. James | 100.0 | 99.4 | 99.0 | 94.2 | 50.5 | 47.8 | 39.4 | 19.4 | 635 |
| Hanover | 99.9 | 99.5 | 98.6 | 94.2 | 47.7 | 72.2 | 32.3 | 25.1 | 541 |
| Westmoreland | 99.9 | 99.8 | 94.6 | 87.3 | 47.0 | 35.9 | 32.6 | 31.5 | 621 |
| St. Elizabeth | 100.0 | 99.4 | 97.5 | 89.3 | 46.9 | 40.8 | 38.8 | 18.3 | 528 |
| Manchester | 100.0 | 99.5 | 99.0 | 95.8 | 60.8 | 60.6 | 43.2 | 16.8 | 668 |
| Clarendon | 100.0 | 99.9 | 98.0 | 90.3 | 49.1 | 39.6 | 32.9 | 16.8 | 649 |
| St. Catherine | 99.8 | 100.0 | 98.8 | 95.2 | 61.1 | 50.2 | 53.1 | 31.0 | 556 |
| Age group |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 100.0 | 98.6 | 95.6 | 88.8 | 48.0 | 44.3 | 40.3 | 24.5 | 1,229 |
| 20-24 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 98.9 | 94.3 | 60.7 | 50.8 | 47.7 | 33.7 | 1,114 |
| 25-29 | 100.0 | 99.7 | 98.9 | 92.9 | 59.3 | 53.2 | 50.4 | 31.4 | 1,350 |
| 30-34 | 99.7 | 99.5 | 99.2 | 95.0 | 61.4 | 57.4 | 45.8 | 26.8 | 1,219 |
| 35-39 | 100.0 | 99.7 | 99.5 | 95.2 | 60.2 | 56.8 | 43.7 | 27.3 | 1,221 |
| 40-44 | 99.9 | 99.5 | 99.0 | 93.4 | 53.8 | 50.2 | 41.6 | 26.6 | 1,084 |
| 45-49 | 100.0 | 99.7 | 98.9 | 93.9 | 57.2 | 58.1 | 42.5 | 30.1 | 1,042 |
| Current relationship status $\quad$ l |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Married | 100.0 | 99.4 | 99.3 | 96.3 | 61.1 | 58.4 | 50.4 | 29.4 | 1,441 |
| Common law union | 100.0 | 99.6 | 98.8 | 92.6 | 53.4 | 48.6 | 37.8 | 26.1 | 2,158 |
| Visiting relationship | 99.8 | 99.8 | 98.9 | 94.4 | 58.1 | 53.2 | 45.2 | 31.5 | 2,279 |
| Boyfriend with sex | 100.0 | 99.7 | 98.7 | 93.8 | 62.3 | 41.4 | 50.0 | 28.6 | 281 |
| Boyfriend without sex | 100.0 | 100.0 | 97.6 | 93.5 | 49.8 | 41.4 | 44.0 | 27.7 | 197 |
| No steady relationship | 99.9 | 98.9 | 97.1 | 90.2 | 56.9 | 54.2 | 46.4 | 26.5 | 1,903 |
| Marital status |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Currently in union | 99.9 | 99.7 | 99.0 | 94.2 | 57.2 | 52.8 | 43.9 | 29.3 | 5,878 |
| Previously in union | 100.0 | 99.9 | 99.2 | 93.5 | 58.7 | 51.3 | 48.8 | 24.2 | 1,344 |
| Never in union | 99.9 | 98.2 | 95.3 | 88.3 | 54.8 | 51.7 | 44.4 | 29.7 | 1,037 |
| Education level (in years)* |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-9 | 99.7 | 99.3 | 97.2 | 88.3 | 39.4 | 41.4 | 28.0 | 18.6 | 2,183 |
| 10-12 | 100.0 | 99.4 | 98.7 | 93.8 | 57.5 | 51.8 | 43.9 | 29.5 | 5,078 |
| 13 or more | 100.0 | 99.9 | 99.5 | 98.7 | 84.9 | 73.5 | 76.6 | 40.4 | 995 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 99.7 | 99.7 | 97.0 | 85.4 | 34.2 | 35.0 | 25.9 | 14.8 | 2,001 |
| Second | 100.0 | 99.1 | 98.1 | 91.9 | 47.6 | 45.2 | 33.8 | 21.9 | 1,716 |
| Middle | 100.0 | 99.2 | 98.6 | 94.5 | 58.0 | 51.8 | 44.0 | 27.6 | 1,668 |
| Fourth | 100.0 | 99.5 | 99.2 | 96.2 | 68.8 | 62.1 | 53.5 | 35.9 | 1,650 |
| Highest | 100.0 | 99.8 | 99.4 | 98.2 | 76.7 | 67.7 | 66.3 | 42.3 | 1,224 |
| No. of lifetime sexual partners $\quad 10$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0 | 99.9 | 98.1 | 95.6 | 88.6 | 53.9 | 53.0 | 42.5 | 29.3 | 817 |
| 1 | 100.0 | 99.6 | 98.1 | 94.5 | 62.9 | 54.7 | 48.8 | 32.4 | 1,425 |
| 2-3 | 100.0 | 99.8 | 99.1 | 94.3 | 56.6 | 53.7 | 44.4 | 29.3 | 3,215 |
| 4 or more | 99.8 | 99.6 | 98.9 | 92.8 | 54.3 | 48.0 | 43.0 | 24.9 | 2,353 |
| No response/refused | 100.0 | 99.3 | 98.9 | 93.9 | 62.5 | 56.0 | 47.6 | 25.7 | 449 |

* Excludes 3 women with missing information.

| Table 13.1.1B <br> Awareness of STIs among Men Aged 15-24 Years by Selected Characteristics <br> Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Characteristic | Selected STIs |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | No. of Cases |
|  | HIVIAIDS | Gonorrhea | Syphilis | Genital Herpes | Genital Warts | Trichomoniasis | Chlamydia | Chancroid |  |
| Total | 99.9 | 98.6 | 91.6 | 82.2 | 34.9 | 25.1 | 25.1 | 18.1 | 2,775 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 100.0 | 98.9 | 94.0 | 91.6 | 48.6 | 38.0 | 22.0 | 22.5 | 380 |
| Other urban | 100.0 | 99.2 | 94.2 | 85.5 | 34.2 | 22.4 | 29.3 | 19.0 | 759 |
| Rural | 99.9 | 98.1 | 89.3 | 77.4 | 31.2 | 22.8 | 23.5 | 16.3 | 1,636 |
| Health region |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 100.0 | 98.7 | 95.5 | 88.8 | 39.5 | 28.3 | 22.3 | 18.9 | 789 |
| 2 | 99.9 | 27.8 | 93.3 | 78.4 | 19.0 | 20.5 | 21.6 | 14.8 | 552 |
| 3 | 99.9 | 98.6 | 92.0 | 85.8 | 42.6 | 36.5 | 38.5 | 30.6 | 775 |
| 4 | 99.9 | 97.7 | 84.5 | 71.1 | 28.9 | 11.4 | 17.3 | 5.9 | 659 |
| Age group |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 99.9 | 98.2 | 88.3 | 78.2 | 30.5 | 20.0 | 23.8 | 16.3 | 1,652 |
| 20-24 | 99.9 | 99.1 | 96.4 | 88.0 | 41.2 | 32.4 | 27.0 | 20.7 | 1,123 |
| Current relationship status |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Married/ Common law union | 100.0 | 98.1 | 98.0 | 81.9 | 42.4 | 40.5 | 26.8 | 19.3 | 162 |
| Visiting relationship | 99.9 | 99.2 | 94.7 | 86.9 | 37.7 | 25.3 | 21.5 | 18.2 | 554 |
| Girlfriend with sex | 100.0 | 98.7 | 95.2 | 87.2 | 37.8 | 29.8 | 28.0 | 21.3 | 829 |
| Girlfriend without sex | 99.8 | 98.8 | 91.5 | 82.8 | 30.2 | 19.5 | 26.5 | 13.3 | 410 |
| No steady relationship | 100.0 | 97.9 | 84.4 | 73.2 | 31.0 | 20.2 | 23.5 | 17.1 | 820 |
| Marital status |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Currently in union | 99.9 | 99.0 | 95.4 | 85.9 | 38.7 | 28.4 | 22.6 | 18.5 | 716 |
| Previously in union | 100.0 | 99.4 | 96.3 | 86.2 | 36.6 | 25.1 | 17.0 | 7.5 | 175 |
| Never in union | 99.9 | 98.3 | 89.7 | 80.4 | 33.3 | 23.8 | 26.8 | 19.0 | 1,884 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 99.9 | 98.5 | 82.5 | 69.6 | 23.9 | 19.7 | 15.0 | 12.9 | 632 |
| Second | 99.8 | 98.2 | 91.6 | 79.3 | 32.0 | 23.4 | 23.5 | 16.5 | 620 |
| Middle | 100.0 | 97.6 | 92.6 | 84.2 | 34.5 | 27.0 | 26.8 | 17.2 | 512 |
| Fourth | 100.0 | 99.8 | 96.5 | 86.8 | 36.7 | 27.4 | 25.5 | 18.2 | 538 |
| Highest | 100.0 | 98.7 | 94.9 | 92.0 | 48.6 | 28.1 | 35.5 | 26.5 | 473 |
| Education level (in years)* |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-9 | 99.8 | 96.7 | 82.2 | 70.5 | 24.1 | 17.1 | 16.2 | 13.5 | 687 |
| 10-12 | 100.0 | 99.1 | 94.5 | 85.6 | 36.7 | 26.6 | 26.7 | 19.4 | 1,944 |
| 13 or more | 100.0 | 100.0 | 96.6 | 90.6 | 61.8 | 41.7 | 46.8 | 23.6 | 130 |
| No. of lifetime sexual partners |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0 | 99.9 | 97.4 | 83.3 | 73.6 | 32.8 | 22.1 | 26.5 | 19.4 | 714 |
| 1 | 100.0 | 99.2 | 92.3 | 76.3 | 30.4 | 24.9 | 23.2 | 16.2 | 243 |
| 2-3 | 100.0 | 98.6 | 92.8 | 83.0 | 32.0 | 26.5 | 23.6 | 16.9 | 421 |
| 4 or more | 99.9 | 99.0 | 95.0 | 86.8 | 38.7 | 26.4 | 24.5 | 18.5 | 1,281 |
| No response/refused | 100.0 | 99.8 | 97.5 | 90.4 | 26.0 | 23.9 | 31.7 | 14.5 | 116 |

[^92]| Table 13.1.2A <br> Awareness of STI Symptoms ${ }^{*}$ among Women Aged 15-49 Years by Selected Characteristics <br> Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | STI Symptoms* |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Characteristic | Vaginal Discharge | Foul Smelling Discharge | Genital Itching | Abdominal Pain ${ }^{\dagger}$ | Genital Sores,Ulcers or Warts | Painful Urination | $\begin{array}{\|c\|} \hline \begin{array}{c} \text { Weight } \\ \text { Loss } \end{array} \\ \hline \end{array}$ | Genital Swelling | Genital <br> Redness | Infertility | No. of Cases |
| Total | 65.5 | 63.2 | 52.3 | 34.7 | 33.9 | 33.4 | 12.9 | 12.1 | 10.4 | 4.2 | 8,259 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 74.9 | 70.9 | 55.9 | 39.5 | 20.7 | 30.5 | 7.4 | 12.3 | 6.8 | 1.4 | 1,198 |
| Other urban | 65.6 | 66.1 | 53.5 | 38.0 | 40.6 | 37.9 | 14.2 | 17.4 | 16.9 | 7.6 | 2,283 |
| Rural | 61.0 | 57.2 | 49.7 | 29.8 | 34.4 | 31.1 | 14.3 | 7.6 | 6.7 | 2.5 | 4,778 |
| Health region |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 68.6 | 69.5 | 54.3 | 41.2 | 32.2 | 34.9 | 11.1 | 17.5 | 14.5 | 6.1 | 2,340 |
| 2 | 62.2 | 52.3 | 50.3 | 31.1 | 30.7 | 33.8 | 14.1 | 8.9 | 7.6 | 3.8 | 1,761 |
| 3 | 65.7 | 61.6 | 57.8 | 34.0 | 32.2 | 36.5 | 13.5 | 7.5 | 5.8 | 3.1 | 2,313 |
| 4 | 60.5 | 57.7 | 44.0 | 23.6 | 41.0 | 27.0 | 15.3 | 6.8 | 7.6 | 1.2 | 1,845 |
| Age group |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 58.6 | 54.3 | 42.6 | 28.2 | 36.3 | 26.9 | 18.6 | 12.5 | 8.5 | 3.3 | 1,229 |
| 20-24 | 67.6 | 64.2 | 55.2 | 35.7 | 40.3 | 34.2 | 12.0 | 12.8 | 11.2 | 3.9 | 1,114 |
| 25-29 | 64.1 | 68.7 | 55.4 | 36.8 | 34.2 | 36.8 | 12.1 | 13.9 | 12.5 | 4.7 | 1,350 |
| 30-34 | 67.6 | 66.3 | 52.5 | 33.6 | 36.2 | 34.5 | 13.2 | 11.2 | 11.8 | 4.6 | 1,219 |
| 35-39 | 69.9 | 62.7 | 54.9 | 37.6 | 27.8 | 31.5 | 10.4 | 10.7 | 9.0 | 3.9 | 1,221 |
| 40-44 | 64.5 | 64.6 | 54.7 | 36.7 | 28.1 | 37.5 | 10.6 | 11.1 | 9.2 | 4.4 | 1,084 |
| 45-49 | 69.2 | 64.2 | 54.3 | 37.2 | 29.4 | 36.1 | 10.1 | 12.0 | 10.5 | 4.7 | 1,042 |
| Current relationship status |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Married | 69.2 | 65.6 | 57.2 | 35.9 | 34.9 | 35.3 | 13.2 | 13.3 | 10.5 | 3.1 | 1,441 |
| Common law union | 67.2 | 63.6 | 49.0 | 35.2 | 28.8 | 32.3 | 11.8 | 11.6 | 11.0 | 3.3 | 2,158 |
| Visiting relationship | 65.8 | 64.5 | 53.2 | 34.8 | 34.2 | 33.6 | 11.3 | 11.3 | 9.3 | 4.0 | 2,279 |
| Boyfriend with sex | 58.0 | 58.9 | 50.3 | 35.7 | 36.1 | 40.0 | 11.0 | 10.2 | 10.2 | 2.8 | 281 |
| Boyfriend without sex | 63.0 | 57.1 | 44.6 | 30.0 | 45.7 | 28.9 | 16.1 | 16.2 | 11.9 | 4.8 | 197 |
| No steady relationship | 62.6 | 61.3 | 52.7 | 33.8 | 35.7 | 32.9 | 15.5 | 12.7 | 11.1 | 5.8 | 1,903 |
| Education level (in years) ${ }^{\ddagger}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-9 | 58.5 | 56.4 | 45.8 | 29.2 | 26.1 | 29.8 | 12.5 | 7.6 | 7.4 | 2.7 | 2,183 |
| 10-12 | 65.4 | 63.8 | 52.7 | 34.6 | 32.3 | 32.6 | 12.3 | 12.6 | 9.7 | 4.0 | 5,078 |
| 13 or more | 77.5 | 72.0 | 61.4 | 44.6 | 54.3 | 43.4 | 16.3 | 17.6 | 18.9 | 7.5 | 995 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 54.7 | 55.3 | 46.1 | 25.2 | 28.7 | 29.4 | 11.3 | 7.7 | 5.5 | 2.9 | 2,001 |
| Second | 62.1 | 58.6 | 48.4 | 32.0 | 27.2 | 29.3 | 12.8 | 7.1 | 7.0 | 1.6 | 1,716 |
| Middle | 66.3 | 62.1 | 49.3 | 30.2 | 32.4 | 31.1 | 10.1 | 11.4 | 9.5 | 2.7 | 1,668 |
| Fourth | 67.0 | 68.0 | 55.6 | 37.5 | 39.1 | 34.4 | 13.3 | 13.5 | 11.8 | 5.7 | 1,650 |
| Highest | 77.6 | 72.0 | 62.1 | 48.8 | 41.5 | 42.9 | 16.8 | 20.7 | 18.1 | 7.6 | 1,224 |
| No. of lifetime sexual partners |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0 | 60.8 | 53.7 | 47.7 | 30.0 | 36.2 | 29.7 | 20.1 | 14.2 | 11.0 | 5.3 | 817 |
| 1 | 68.8 | 65.2 | 57.4 | 38.4 | 40.8 | 33.8 | 13.1 | 15.6 | 12.1 | 5.0 | 1,425 |
| 2-3 | 64.3 | 64.1 | 52.7 | 34.9 | 32.5 | 33.4 | 12.0 | 11.7 | 10.0 | 3.3 | 3,215 |
| 4 or more | 66.3 | 65.0 | 52.0 | 33.1 | 31.6 | 34.3 | 11.3 | 9.2 | 9.2 | 3.5 | 2,353 |
| No response/refused | 70.0 | 64.6 | 44.4 | 40.3 | 25.2 | 37.9 | 8.6 | 12.2 | 12.4 | 8.0 | 449 |

[^93]| Table 13.1.2B <br> Awareness of STI Symptoms ${ }^{*}$ among Men Aged 15-24 Years by Selected Characteristics <br> Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Characteristic | STI Symptoms* |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Penile Discharge | Genital Itching | Abdominal Pain ${ }^{\dagger}$ | Genital <br> Sores, Ulcers or Warts | Painful <br> Urination | Weight Loss | Genital Swelling | Genital <br> Redness | Infertility | No. of Cases |
| Total | 53.8 | 46.6 | 29.4 | 27.1 | 24.7 | 17.1 | 14.7 | 12.5 | 3.4 | 2,775 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 62.2 | 55.4 | 29.4 | 33.1 | 20.8 | 17.6 | 21.3 | 19.1 | 2.0 | 380 |
| Other urban | 52.0 | 47.4 | 33.4 | 29.0 | 23.6 | 19.8 | 13.3 | 11.1 | 3.2 | 759 |
| Rural | 52.3 | 43.4 | 27.0 | 24.2 | 26.6 | 15.4 | 13.5 | 11.4 | 4.0 | 1,636 |
| Health region |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 59.5 | 52.5 | 34.5 | 29.9 | 19.8 | 17.5 | 16.6 | 14.6 | 2.1 | 789 |
| 2 | 66.3 | 55.7 | 27.1 | 38.0 | 16.5 | 15.1 | 13.0 | 11.7 | 1.4 | 552 |
| 3 | 60.1 | 53.7 | 29.5 | 29.4 | 29.5 | 24.1 | 18.4 | 13.5 | 8.5 | 775 |
| 4 | 32.3 | 25.8 | 23.3 | 15.1 | 31.3 | 9.9 | 9.0 | 9.0 | 1.4 | 659 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 48.1 | 41.8 | 30.2 | 23.7 | 25.9 | 15.7 | 14.1 | 11.6 | 3.5 | 1,652 |
| 20-24 | 62.0 | 53.4 | 28.3 | 32.1 | 23.1 | 19.2 | 15.5 | 13.9 | 3.3 | 1,123 |
| Current relationship status |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Married/common law union | 66.5 | 54.7 | 27.5 | 33.6 | 16.8 | 18.1 | 19.1 | 13.7 | 3.8 | 162 |
| Visiting relationship | 65.4 | 49.1 | 26.1 | 28.9 | 23.5 | 19.7 | 11.2 | 9.0 | 1.9 | 554 |
| Girlfriend with sex | 60.0 | 53.2 | 30.9 | 29.5 | 26.2 | 14.8 | 19.3 | 16.2 | 4.0 | 829 |
| Girlfriend without sex | 40.7 | 37.1 | 35.6 | 20.6 | 23.9 | 18.7 | 11.1 | 11.9 | 2.3 | 410 |
| No steady relationship | 43.6 | 41.4 | 27.2 | 25.8 | 26.0 | 16.7 | 13.4 | 11.3 | 4.5 | 820 |
| Marital status |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Currently in union | 65.6 | 50.3 | 26.4 | 29.8 | 22.1 | 19.4 | 12.9 | 9.9 | 2.3 | 716 |
| Previously in union | 60.3 | 48.4 | 21.4 | 22.5 | 17.9 | 16.0 | 10.1 | 7.2 | 0.7 | 175 |
| Never in union | 48.6 | 45.0 | 31.3 | 26.6 | 26.4 | 16.4 | 15.8 | 14.0 | 4.1 | 1,884 |
| Education level (in years) ${ }^{\dagger}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-9 | 39.5 | 35.5 | 23.8 | 20.0 | 21.7 | 16.1 | 10.6 | 9.8 | 3.2 | 687 |
| 10-12 | 57.9 | 50.0 | 30.4 | 29.9 | 25.1 | 17.3 | 16.1 | 12.9 | 3.6 | 1,944 |
| 13 or more | 65.3 | 51.9 | 42.7 | 25.2 | 31.3 | 21.0 | 15.2 | 20.2 | 3.6 | 130 |
| Wealth quintile | 39.0 | 47.3 | 21.0 | 7.4 | 44.0 | 4.5 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |  |
| Lowest | 48.9 | 35.6 | 24.0 | 21.1 | 21.4 | 15.3 | 7.9 | 9.1 | 3.8 | 632 |
| Second | 49.9 | 40.5 | 26.1 | 22.1 | 25.7 | 16.8 | 13.2 | 10.6 | 4.0 | 620 |
| Middle | 56.1 | 51.5 | 29.8 | 29.6 | 21.6 | 14.6 | 17.5 | 14.0 | 3.8 | 512 |
| Fourth | 57.6 | 53.6 | 31.4 | 33.8 | 27.4 | 20.8 | 16.4 | 14.0 | 3.4 | 538 |
| Highest | 56.5 | 52.2 | 36.3 | 29.3 | 27.9 | 18.6 | 18.6 | 15.1 | 2.2 | 473 |
| No. of lifetime sexual partners |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0 | 41.3 | 38.4 | 29.3 | 25.5 | 26.6 | 17.3 | 13.1 | 12.3 | 4.3 | 714 |
| 1 | 54.9 | 47.5 | 25.4 | 27.2 | 18.1 | 23.1 | 11.4 | 12.1 | 7.7 | 243 |
| 2-3 | 53.1 | 42.2 | 27.9 | 21.7 | 29.8 | 18.2 | 13.8 | 13.7 | 3.0 | 421 |
| 4 or more | 59.3 | 50.5 | 30.7 | 29.6 | 24.5 | 16.6 | 15.3 | 12.3 | 2.5 | 1,281 |
| No response/refused | 67.0 | 65.3 | 29.2 | 30.0 | 10.0 | 7.0 | 25.8 | 12.3 | 3.1 | 116 |

[^94]| Table 13.2A <br> Most Important Source of Information on STIs among Women Aged 15-49 Years by Selected Characteristics <br> Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Most Important Source of Information on STIs (Percent Distribution) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Characteristic | Health Worker | TV | Teacher | Printed Media | Family Member/ Partner | Friend/ Colleague | Books | Radio | Internet | Other | Total | $\begin{aligned} & \text { No. of } \\ & \text { Cases } \end{aligned}$ |
| Total | 22.7 | 22.1 | 13.6 | 11.3 | 6.7 | 6.7 | 5.5 | 5.1 | 3.2 | 3.2 | 100.0 | 8,207 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 16.0 | 24.6 | 11.3 | 16.5 | 8.8 | 6.7 | 1.7 | 4.5 | 7.9 | 1.8 | 100.0 | 1,181 |
| Other urban | 19.8 | 23.9 | 14.3 | 12.0 | 4.7 | 7.5 | 6.0 | 5.1 | 2.8 | 4.0 | 100.0 | 2,266 |
| Rural | 28.2 | 19.5 | 14.0 | 8.2 | 7.5 | 5.9 | 6.9 | 5.2 | 1.5 | 3.2 | 100.0 | 4,760 |
| Health region |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 18.2 | 24.4 | 12.9 | 14.0 | 7.5 | 7.2 | 2.4 | 5.6 | 5.0 | 2.8 | 100.0 | 2,311 |
| 2 | 24.3 | 27.8 | 14.6 | 8.7 | 4.3 | 8.3 | 5.6 | 4.1 | 0.7 | 1.6 | 100.0 | 1,754 |
| 3 | 26.8 | 18.7 | 15.1 | 8.7 | 9.2 | 4.6 | 6.0 | 4.3 | 2.5 | 4.0 | 100.0 | 2,304 |
| 4 | 27.4 | 17.0 | 12.7 | 9.4 | 4.2 | 6.5 | 11.8 | 5.1 | 1.7 | 4.2 | 100.0 | 1,838 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston | 18.6 | 30.8 | 12.8 | 16.9 | 2.6 | 4.0 | 1.5 | 6.2 | 4.8 | 1.9 | 100.0 | 637 |
| St. Andrew | 15.5 | 22.6 | 12.6 | 14.6 | 11.2 | 8.0 | 2.6 | 3.7 | 7.7 | 1.7 | 100.0 | 624 |
| St. Thomas | 32.3 | 10.3 | 11.3 | 11.9 | 10.4 | 3.4 | 1.4 | 14.3 | 2.4 | 2.5 | 100.0 | 500 |
| Porland | 30.0 | 19.3 | 13.8 | 14.4 | 5.6 | 2.7 | 6.5 | 4.5 | 0.8 | 2.5 | 100.0 | 516 |
| St. Mary | 22.3 | 44.0 | 7.7 | 12.5 | 7.2 | 1.4 | 1.4 | 1.4 | 0.5 | 1.6 | 100.0 | 542 |
| St. Ann | 23.3 | 18.7 | 20.3 | 3.3 | 1.5 | 16.2 | 8.5 | 6.1 | 0.8 | 1.2 | 100.0 | 696 |
| Trelawny | 19.8 | 29.5 | 16.4 | 9.8 | 2.1 | 5.3 | 4.4 | 11.1 | 0.7 | 0.9 | 100.0 | 515 |
| St. James | 28.6 | 23.2 | 13.8 | 4.7 | 3.7 | 4.5 | 6.4 | 4.0 | 5.3 | 5.8 | 100.0 | 629 |
| Hanover | 29.8 | 10.1 | 7.2 | 9.7 | 33.6 | 1.4 | 4.1 | 1.6 | 1.0 | 1.6 | 100.0 | 540 |
| Westmoreland | 26.8 | 12.0 | 19.7 | 12.5 | 7.9 | 5.8 | 7.3 | 2.5 | 0.7 | 4.7 | 100.0 | 620 |
| St. Elizabeth | 38.2 | 18.0 | 14.5 | 3.2 | 4.7 | 4.4 | 7.6 | 2.7 | 0.9 | 5.8 | 100.0 | 526 |
| Manchester | 27.6 | 9.6 | 11.8 | 15.9 | 5.3 | 3.2 | 16.1 | 4.7 | 3.0 | 2.7 | 100.0 | 667 |
| Clarendon | 19.5 | 22.9 | 12.3 | 8.0 | 2.9 | 10.9 | 10.9 | 7.0 | 1.1 | 4.4 | 100.0 | 645 |
| St. Catherine | 18.6 | 27.1 | 13.6 | 13.1 | 4.4 | 7.6 | 2.5 | 6.1 | 2.9 | 4.1 | 100.0 | 550 |
| Age group |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 8.6 | 10.7 | 39.7 | 5.0 | 18.0 | 5.8 | 4.1 | 1.5 | 2.7 | 4.0 | 100.0 | 1,220 |
| 20-24 | 16.9 | 16.8 | 16.6 | 12.9 | 10.4 | 7.7 | 5.8 | 3.5 | 6.7 | 2.8 | 100.0 | 1,104 |
| 25-29 | 27.2 | 26.0 | 10.0 | 11.7 | 3.1 | 6.1 | 5.9 | 3.8 | 2.9 | 3.4 | 100.0 | 1,344 |
| 30-34 | 28.8 | 24.9 | 5.8 | 12.9 | 2.2 | 7.1 | 7.5 | 5.5 | 2.8 | 2.5 | 100.0 | 1,210 |
| 35-39 | 30.7 | 24.3 | 3.9 | 11.8 | 3.1 | 6.5 | 6.0 | 7.5 | 3.4 | 2.9 | 100.0 | 1,211 |
| 40-44 | 27.0 | 29.7 | 3.3 | 15.1 | 2.7 | 5.7 | 3.9 | 7.5 | 1.6 | 3.6 | 100.0 | 1,082 |
| 45-49 | 25.6 | 30.7 | 1.8 | 11.8 | 1.8 | 8.5 | 5.4 | 10.0 | 1.3 | 3.1 | 100.0 | 1,036 |
| Current relationship status |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Married | 27.3 | 24.4 | 5.6 | 15.5 | 2.0 | 4.5 | 7.7 | 6.3 | 2.3 | 4.3 | 100.0 | 1,430 |
| Common law union | 29.8 | 25.6 | 8.7 | 8.8 | 4.6 | 8.4 | 4.4 | 5.8 | 1.5 | 2.4 | 100.0 | 2,140 |
| Visiting relationship | 23.8 | 22.0 | 11.9 | 11.7 | 5.5 | 7.6 | 5.4 | 5.1 | 4.6 | 2.4 | 100.0 | 2,267 |
| Boyfriend with sex | 11.2 | 20.8 | 28.1 | 11.4 | 7.0 | 10.2 | 2.8 | 2.3 | 3.6 | 2.6 | 100.0 | 280 |
| Boyfriend without sex | 4.6 | 13.2 | 34.1 | 7.9 | 19.1 | 4.5 | 8.3 | 1.7 | 2.4 | 4.2 | 100.0 | 195 |
| No steady relationship | 16.0 | 19.0 | 20.1 | 10.8 | 11.4 | 4.9 | 5.5 | 4.4 | 3.8 | 4.3 | 100.0 | 1,895 |
| Marital status |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Currently in union | 26.5 | 23.7 | 9.5 | 11.6 | 4.5 | 7.2 | 5.5 | 5.6 | 3.1 | 2.8 | 100.0 | 5,837 |
| Previously in union | 23.3 | 26.1 | 8.3 | 13.6 | 4.2 | 8.3 | 5.8 | 5.4 | 2.3 | 2.7 | 100.0 | 1,337 |
| Never in union | 4.9 | 10.8 | 36.9 | 7.5 | 19.3 | 2.5 | 5.2 | 2.3 | 5.0 | 5.5 | 100.0 | 1,033 |
| Education level (in years)*  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-9 | 30.6 | 23.6 | 10.8 | 6.3 | 6.4 | 7.8 | 2.9 | 7.4 | 0.8 | 3.4 | 100.0 | 2,174 |
| 10-12 | 22.0 | 22.4 | 15.0 | 10.7 | 7.4 | 6.8 | 5.2 | 4.7 | 2.9 | 3.1 | 100.0 | 5,040 |
| 13 or more | 12.3 | 18.5 | 11.7 | 22.5 | 4.2 | 4.2 | 11.3 | 2.8 | 8.9 | 3.6 | 100.0 | 990 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 33.6 | 21.2 | 10.5 | 5.6 | 5.8 | 8.4 | 3.8 | 8.0 | 0.1 | 3.0 | 100.0 | 1,990 |
| Second | 26.6 | 23.0 | 14.3 | 9.5 | 6.1 | 6.9 | 3.5 | 5.4 | 1.8 | 2.9 | 100.0 | 1,702 |
| Middle | 22.4 | 24.0 | 14.3 | 10.6 | 5.9 | 7.1 | 5.6 | 5.3 | 2.3 | 2.5 | 100.0 | 1,656 |
| Fourth | 16.5 | 21.9 | 17.0 | 13.2 | 7.3 | 5.5 | 7.2 | 4.2 | 2.8 | 4.5 | 100.0 | 1,647 |
| Highest | 14.3 | 20.7 | 11.8 | 17.5 | 8.5 | 5.3 | 7.3 | 2.2 | 9.3 | 3.1 | 100.0 | 1,212 |
| No. of lifetime sexual partners |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0 | 4.9 | 10.1 | 37.8 | 6.4 | 20.2 | 1.8 | 5.9 | 2.1 | 5.0 | 5.8 | 100.0 | 814 |
| 1 | 18.3 | 21.0 | 14.7 | 12.4 | 8.1 | 6.8 | 5.1 | 4.9 | 4.5 | 4.2 | 100.0 | 1,420 |
| 2-3 | 26.0 | 23.1 | 10.8 | 12.1 | 4.7 | 7.0 | 6.2 | 5.1 | 2.8 | 2.2 | 100.0 | 3,193 |
| 4 or more | 28.4 | 27.0 | 6.2 | 10.9 | 2.8 | 8.1 | 4.8 | 6.5 | 2.6 | 2.7 | 100.0 | 2,333 |
| No response/refused | 27.6 | 23.2 | 7.3 | 15.2 | 3.4 | 8.6 | 4.9 | 5.3 | 1.2 | 3.1 | 100.0 | 447 |

[^95]| Table 13.2B <br> Most Important Source of Information on STIs among Men Aged 15-24 Years by Selected Characteristics <br> Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Most Important Source of Information on STIs (Percent Distribution) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Characteristic | Teacher | Family Member/ Partner | TV | Friend/ Colleague | Printed <br> Media | Health Professio nals | Books | Internet | Radio | Other | Total | No. of Cases* |
| Total | 34.8 | 19.1 | 14.6 | 13.6 | 5.0 | 4.7 | 1.9 | 1.4 | 1.1 | 4.0 | 100.0 | 2,757 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 32.0 | 13.5 | 10.7 | 21.1 | 7.7 | 2.2 | 0.6 | 4.4 | 1.2 | 6.6 | 100.0 | 369 |
| Other urban | 36.7 | 18.4 | 14.3 | 9.6 | 6.3 | 6.1 | 2.0 | 1.6 | 1.5 | 3.5 | 100.0 | 756 |
| Rural | 34.5 | 21.1 | 16.0 | 13.7 | 3.4 | 4.6 | 2.1 | 0.4 | 0.7 | 3.5 | 100.0 | 1,632 |
| Health region |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 31.7 | 15.4 | 18.8 | 14.2 | 5.9 | 2.3 | 2.5 | 3.2 | 1.8 | 4.3 | 100.0 | 775 |
| 2 | 35.6 | 27.8 | 18.6 | 14.7 | 2.1 | 10.8 | 0.6 | 1.6 | 1.0 | 3.1 | 100.0 | 552 |
| 3 | 33.7 | 25.8 | 14.6 | 9.2 | 5.6 | 5.2 | 1.7 | 0.0 | 0.6 | 3.6 | 100.0 | 773 |
| 4 | 40.0 | 21.4 | 6.6 | 16.4 | 4.6 | 4.3 | 1.8 | 0.0 | 0.5 | 4.4 | 100.0 | 657 |
| Age group |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 41.9 | 20.2 | 11.9 | 11.8 | 4.3 | 3.2 | 1.4 | 0.5 | 0.8 | 4.0 | 100.0 | 1,641 |
| 20-24 | 24.4 | 17.4 | 18.7 | 16.2 | 6.0 | 6.8 | 2.5 | 2.7 | 1.4 | 4.0 | 100.0 | 1,116 |
| Current relationship status |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Married/common law union | 25.1 | 12.8 | 28.8 | 12.3 | 4.1 | 8.7 | 4.1 | 0.0 | 1.4 | 2.7 | 100.0 | 158 |
| Visiting relationship | 27.3 | 16.6 | 17.6 | 18.1 | 3.2 | 6.2 | 1.5 | 2.9 | 1.6 | 5.1 | 100.0 | 549 |
| Girlfriend with sex | 33.3 | 18.0 | 14.9 | 16.3 | 6.3 | 4.0 | 0.8 | 1.8 | 0.8 | 3.7 | 100.0 | 824 |
| Girlfriend without sex | 47.2 | 17.5 | 7.8 | 7.1 | 5.8 | 4.4 | 5.1 | 0.1 | 1.4 | 3.6 | 100.0 | 410 |
| No steady relationship | 36.7 | 23.9 | 13.4 | 11.1 | 4.6 | 3.8 | 1.0 | 0.8 | 0.7 | 3.9 | 100.0 | 816 |
| Marital status |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Currently in union | 26.9 | 15.9 | 19.8 | 16.9 | 3.3 | 6.6 | 2.0 | 2.4 | 1.5 | 4.6 | 100.0 | 707 |
| Previously in union | 34.3 | 17.2 | 11.6 | 16.1 | 5.0 | 7.8 | 1.2 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 6.8 | 100.0 | 173 |
| Never in union | 37.8 | 20.4 | 13.0 | 12.0 | 5.6 | 3.7 | 1.9 | 1.1 | 1.0 | 3.5 | 100.0 | 1,877 |
| Education level (in years) ${ }^{\dagger}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-9 | 38.1 | 23.7 | 12.8 | 15.6 | 1.7 | 3.6 | 0.3 | 0.1 | 0.6 | 3.5 | 100.0 | 681 |
| 10-12 | 33.7 | 18.1 | 15.6 | 13.1 | 5.2 | 5.3 | 2.3 | 1.4 | 1.3 | 4.1 | 100.0 | 1,933 |
| 13 or more | 33.0 | 11.9 | 10.6 | 10.4 | 17.8 | 2.6 | 2.6 | 7.8 | 0.2 | 3.3 | 100.0 | 130 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 38.8 | 18.9 | 12.9 | 17.6 | 1.4 | 4.0 | 1.2 | 0.0 | 1.0 | 4.3 | 100.0 | 630 |
| Second | 38.2 | 19.9 | 14.6 | 14.5 | 3.5 | 3.7 | 1.4 | 0.1 | 0.5 | 3.8 | 100.0 | 616 |
| Middle | 34.1 | 18.2 | 16.2 | 13.8 | 5.6 | 4.7 | 2.6 | 1.6 | 0.3 | 2.8 | 100.0 | 504 |
| Fourth | 31.4 | 19.4 | 15.1 | 12.3 | 4.3 | 6.3 | 1.6 | 2.4 | 1.5 | 5.6 | 100.0 | 535 |
| Highest | 31.1 | 18.9 | 14.4 | 9.3 | 10.5 | 4.9 | 2.6 | 2.9 | 2.0 | 3.4 | 100.0 | 472 |
| No. of lifetime sexual partners |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0 | 39.8 | 26.4 | 9.8 | 9.8 | 4.6 | 1.8 | 2.6 | 0.6 | 1.1 | 3.5 | 100.0 | 711 |
| 1 | 40.1 | 21.6 | 6.9 | 14.0 | 5.4 | 6.0 | 1.5 | 0.3 | 0.6 | 3.6 | 100.0 | 240 |
| 2-3 | 31.4 | 18.6 | 17.0 | 15.3 | 4.3 | 4.4 | 2.0 | 0.9 | 1.2 | 4.9 | 100.0 | 420 |
| 4 or more | 33.3 | 15.4 | 15.3 | 15.7 | 5.5 | 6.1 | 1.2 | 2.2 | 1.0 | 4.2 | 100.0 | 1,270 |
| No response/refused | 24.3 | 12.6 | 40.4 | 5.9 | 3.0 | 5.4 | 5.0 | 0.6 | 1.2 | 1.6 | 100.0 | 116 |

[^96]| Table 13.3.1A <br> Percentage of Women Aged 15-49 Years Who Have Ever Been Diagnosed with Specified STIs by Selected Characteristics Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Characteristic | Specified STIs |  |  |  |  |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { No. of } \\ & \text { Cases } \end{aligned}$ |
|  | Trichomoniasis | Gonorrhea | Chalamydia | Genital Herpes | Genital Warts | Syphilis | Chancroid |  |
| Total | 3.6 | 2.7 | 1.6 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.3 | 0.1 | 7,442 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kinqston Metropolitan Area | 6.5 | 1.7 | 2.9 | 1.2 | 0.4 | 0.3 | 0.1 | 1,040 |
| Other urban | 3.3 | 2.9 | 2.1 | 0.2 | 0.8 | 0.5 | 0.0 | 2,100 |
| Rural | 2.6 | 3.0 | 0.7 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.3 | 0.1 | 4,302 |
| Health reaion 1 | 4.4 | 2.1 | 3.0 | 0.9 | 0.6 | 0.3 | 0.1 | 2,079 |
| 2 | 3.1 | 27.8 | 0.7 | 0.1 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 1,596 |
| 3 | 2.7 | 2.1 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 2.067 |
| 4 | 3.1 | 3.8 | 0.7 | 0.1 | 0.5 | 0.6 | 0.0 | 1,700 |
| Parish |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kinqston | 6.4 | 1.9 | 1.5 | 0.6 | 0.0 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 568 |
| St. Andrew | 5.7 | 1.4 | 3.0 | 1.2 | 0.4 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 541 |
| St. Thomas | 5.6 | 4.6 | 1.2 | 0.6 | 0.5 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 466 |
| Porland | 2.8 | 4.5 | 0.1 | 0.4 | 0.5 | 0.1 | 0.3 | 474 |
| St. Marv | 5.2 | 2.0 | 0.3 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 485 |
| St. Ann | 1.5 | 4.6 | 1.2 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 637 |
| Trelawnv | 1.6 | 2.3 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.4 | 0.0 | 474 |
| St. James | 2.7 | 2.4 | 0.5 | 0.1 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 579 |
| Hanover | 9.0 | 1.7 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.4 | 0.0 | 457 |
| Westmoreland | 0.4 | 1.7 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 557 |
| St. Elizabeth | 1.2 | 2.7 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 483 |
| Manchester | 3.9 | 1.8 | 0.7 | 0.0 | 0.3 | 1.1 | 0.0 | 608 |
| Clarendon | 3.7 | 6.3 | 1.2 | 0.2 | 0.9 | 0.5 | 0.0 | 609 |
| St. Catherine | 2.8 | 2.4 | 3.4 | 0.7 | 0.9 | 0.4 | 0.3 | 504 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 2.3 | 0.5 | 1.3 | 0.4 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 557 |
| 20-24 | 2.6 | 1.4 | 1.1 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.057 |
| 25-29 | 4.0 | 2.5 | 2.5 | 0.5 | 0.6 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 1,323 |
| 30-34 | 5.3 | 3.7 | 2.5 | 0.1 | 0.6 | 0.7 | 0.3 | 1,203 |
| 35-39 | 2.5 | 2.9 | 1.3 | 1.0 | 0.7 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 1.211 |
| 40-44 | 3.5 | 3.9 | 1.1 | 0.5 | 0.1 | 0.7 | 0.0 | 1,070 |
| 45-49 | 4.9 | 3.7 | 1.1 | 0.7 | 0.1 | 0.4 | 0.0 | 1,021 |
| Marital status |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Currently in union | 3.7 | 2.8 | 1.6 | 0.3 | 0.5 | 0.4 | 0.1 | 5,878 |
| Previouslv in union | 3.7 | 2.6 | 1.8 | 0.8 | 0.2 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 1,344 |
| Never in union | 0.5 | 0.9 | 1.2 | 1.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 220 |
| Education level (in years)* |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-9 | 3.7 | 5.8 | 0.7 | 0.5 | 0.4 | 0.8 | 0.3 | 1.945 |
| 10-12 | 3.2 | 2.2 | 1.4 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 4.573 |
| 13 or more | 5.4 | 0.1 | 4.3 | 0.4 | 0.6 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 921 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 2.6 | 4.9 | 0.4 | 0.6 | 0.1 | 0.5 | 0.2 | 1,860 |
| Second | 3.8 | 3.2 | 1.1 | 0.0 | 0.3 | 0.6 | 0.0 | 1,579 |
| Middle | 4.4 | 2.7 | 0.9 | 0.2 | 0.6 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 1,501 |
| Fourth | 2.9 | 0.8 | 2.5 | 0.5 | 0.4 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 1,446 |
| Hiahest | 4.5 | 1.6 | 3.4 | 0.9 | 0.7 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 1,056 |
| No. of lifetime sexual partners |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 3.2 | 0.7 | 0.6 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 1,425 |
| 2-3 | 3.3 | 1.2 | 1.6 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 3,215 |
| 4 or more | 4.2 | 6.3 | 2.4 | 0.8 | 1.0 | 0.7 | 0.2 | 2,353 |
| No response/refused | 4.4 | 2.2 | 1.7 | 0.5 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 449 |

[^97]Table 13.3.1B
Percentage of Men Aged 15-24 Years Who Have Ever Been Diagnosed with Specified STls
by Selected Characteristics
Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008

| Characteristic | Specified STIs |  |  |  |  |  | No. of Cases |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Gonorrhea | Genital Herpes | Syphilis | Chalamydia | Chancroid | Genital Warts |  |
| Total | 4.3 | 0.8 | 0.5 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 2,061 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 1.6 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.4 | 0.0 | 322 |
| Other urban | 6.3 | 0.9 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 573 |
| Rural | 4.0 | 0.9 | 0.9 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1,166 |
| Health region |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 2.6 | 1.1 | 0.8 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 622 |
| 2 | 6.8 | 0.0 | 0.4 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 418 |
| 3 | 3.8 | 27.8 | 0.5 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 539 |
| 4 | 6.0 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 482 |
| Age group |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 1.7 | 0.0 | 0.5 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 998 |
| 20-24 | 6.8 | 1.5 | 0.4 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 1,063 |
| Current relationship status |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Married/common law union | 10.5 | 1.4 | 0.0 | 0.6 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 162 |
| Visiting relationship | 5.6 | 1.2 | 1.1 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 554 |
| Girlfriend with sex | 3.1 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.1 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 826 |
| Girffriend without sex | 1.8 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 200 |
| No steady relationship | 4.0 | 1.2 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 319 |
| Marital status |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Currently in union | 6.6 | 1.2 | 0.9 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 716 |
| Previously in union | 4.6 | 2.8 | 0.4 | 0.0 | 0.9 | 0.0 | 175 |
| Never in union | 2.8 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1,170 |
| Education level (in years)* |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-9 | 4.0 | 2.3 | 1.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 371 |
| 10-12 | 4.5 | 0.5 | 0.4 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 1,564 |
| 13 or more | 3.5 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.3 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 118 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 3.9 | 0.6 | 0.5 | 0.0 | 0.4 | 0.0 | 453 |
| Second | 4.1 | 1.9 | 1.7 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 437 |
| Middle | 3.6 | 0.7 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 391 |
| Fourth | 6.4 | 0.3 | 0.1 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 416 |
| Highest | 3.5 | 0.4 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 364 |
| No. of lifetime sexual partners |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 1.3 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 243 |
| 2-3 | 1.9 | 0.9 | 1.4 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 421 |
| 4 or more | 5.6 | 0.9 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 1,281 |
| No response/refused | 4.4 | 0.7 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 116 |

[^98]| Table 13.3.2A <br> Self-Reported STI Symptoms ${ }^{*}$ among Women Aged 15-49 Years <br> Who Had Sexual Intercourse in the Last 12 Months by Selected Characteristics Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | STI Symptoms* |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Characteristic | Abnormal Vaginal Discharge | Genital Itching ${ }^{\dagger}$ | Abdominal Pain ${ }^{\dagger}$ | Painful Urination ${ }^{\dagger}$ | Painful Intercourse ${ }^{\dagger}$ | Genital Sores,Warts, or Ulcers | $\begin{aligned} & \text { No. of } \\ & \text { Cases } \end{aligned}$ |
| Total | 18.3 | 11.8 | 6.5 | 3.8 | 3.7 | 0.7 | 6,589 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 17.7 | 10.6 | 5.2 | 3.4 | 3.5 | 0.5 | 938 |
| Other urban | 21.3 | 14.1 | 7.7 | 4.1 | 4.1 | 0.8 | 1,829 |
| Rural | 16.0 | 10.4 | 6.1 | 3.7 | 3.4 | 0.7 | 3,822 |
| Health region |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 20.2 | 13.0 | 6.2 | 3.8 | 4.1 | 0.7 | 1,855 |
| 2 | 15.4 | 27.8 | 5.0 | 4.7 | 2.9 | 0.3 | 1,400 |
| 3 | 10.8 | 7.1 | 4.2 | 2.6 | 2.3 | 0.7 | 1,822 |
| 4 | 22.7 | 13.8 | 9.9 | 4.5 | 4.5 | 0.8 | 1,512 |
| Parish |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston | 21.0 | 15.6 | 5.1 | 4.1 | 5.0 | 0.5 | 510 |
| St. Andrew | 15.6 | 9.0 | 4.6 | 3.0 | 2.8 | 0.4 | 491 |
| St. Thomas | 20.5 | 13.9 | 2.8 | 9.0 | 1.7 | 0.5 | 428 |
| Porland | 19.4 | 14.3 | 6.7 | 3.8 | 3.2 | 0.4 | 412 |
| St. Mary | 12.1 | 7.7 | 4.5 | 1.8 | 3.0 | 0.5 | 408 |
| St. Ann | 15.9 | 13.1 | 4.7 | 7.0 | 2.6 | 0.1 | 580 |
| Trelawny | 15.4 | 10.1 | 7.1 | 4.7 | 3.5 | 0.4 | 413 |
| St. James | 10.9 | 8.2 | 4.2 | 2.4 | 2.4 | 0.5 | 519 |
| Hanover | 9.8 | 5.0 | 3.3 | 2.1 | 2.8 | 1.0 | 398 |
| Westmoreland | 8.8 | 5.0 | 3.3 | 2.1 | 1.5 | 1.0 | 492 |
| St. Elizabeth | 18.6 | 14.1 | 7.9 | 2.6 | 2.9 | 0.8 | 443 |
| Manchester | 16.5 | 10.5 | 6.3 | 2.4 | 3.0 | 0.2 | 535 |
| Clarendon | 31.1 | 16.4 | 14.5 | 7.6 | 6.8 | 1.3 | 534 |
| St. Catherine | 24.5 | 16.2 | 8.6 | 3.6 | 5.5 | 1.1 | 426 |
| Age group |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 19.5 | 10.3 | 6.9 | 3.9 | 3.8 | 0.0 | 501 |
| 20-24 | 19.9 | 13.0 | 6.9 | 3.9 | 3.2 | 0.8 | 1,017 |
| 25-29 | 23.4 | 16.3 | 8.5 | 5.0 | 6.2 | 1.3 | 1,233 |
| 30-34 | 19.6 | 14.6 | 7.4 | 4.8 | 3.8 | 0.4 | 1,099 |
| 35-39 | 16.1 | 9.2 | 4.9 | 3.2 | 3.2 | 1.2 | 1,047 |
| 40-44 | 14.1 | 7.8 | 4.8 | 2.1 | 2.2 | 0.4 | 895 |
| 45-49 | 9.5 | 5.7 | 4.3 | 2.4 | 1.5 | 0.2 | 797 |
| Marital status |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Currently in union | 18.4 | 11.7 | 6.7 | 3.8 | 3.7 | 0.7 | 5,771 |
| Previously in union | 18.0 | 12.9 | 5.0 | 3.1 | 2.5 | 1.2 | 671 |
| Never in union | 15.9 | 9.0 | 6.0 | 5.5 | 5.5 | 0.0 | 147 |
| Education level (in years) ${ }^{\ddagger}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-9 | 18.4 | 12.0 | 7.2 | 4.5 | 3.7 | 0.8 | 1,716 |
| 10-12 | 17.2 | 11.0 | 6.3 | 3.8 | 3.6 | 0.5 | 4,068 |
| 13 or more | 22.9 | 15.2 | 6.5 | 2.7 | 4.0 | 1.3 | 802 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 19.0 | 12.2 | 7.8 | 5.6 | 4.4 | 0.7 | 1,667 |
| Second | 18.7 | 12.5 | 7.3 | 4.6 | 4.4 | 1.6 | 1,384 |
| Middle | 18.7 | 11.5 | 6.1 | 3.9 | 3.0 | 0.1 | 1,343 |
| Fourth | 17.8 | 11.4 | 5.2 | 2.2 | 3.1 | 0.7 | 1,254 |
| Highest | 17.0 | 11.3 | 6.0 | 2.4 | 3.3 | 0.4 | 941 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 12.2 | 8.5 | 4.1 | 2.8 | 2.7 | 0.6 | 1,230 |
| 2-3 | 15.9 | 9.6 | 5.6 | 3.1 | 2.7 | 0.7 | 2,844 |
| 4 or more | 25.8 | 16.9 | 9.3 | 5.5 | 5.5 | 0.7 | 2,141 |
| No response/refused | 16.4 | 12.0 | 6.1 | 3.9 | 4.1 | 0.6 | 374 |
| Sexual partners in the past 12 months 1 | 16.7 | 10.8 | 5.8 | 3.4 | 3.2 | 0.7 | 6,128 |
| 2 or more | 37.4 | 24.0 | 15.3 | 8.4 | 8.9 | 0.7 | 438 |
| No response/refused | § | § | § | § | § | § | 23 |

* Specified symptoms experienced during the last 12 months.
$\dagger$ These symptoms are in conjunction with vaginal discharge.
$\ddagger$ Excludes 3 women with missing information.
§ Less than 25 cases.


| Table 13.3.3 <br> Source of STI Treatment for Women Aged 15-49 Years Who Had Sexual Intercourse in the Last 12 Months and Experienced STI Symptoms* by Selected Characteristics <br> Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Characteristic | Sought Treatment |  | Source of STI Treatment |  |  |  | No. of Cases |
|  | \% | No. of Cases | Private Hospital or Clinic | Government Hospital or Clinic | Other ${ }^{\dagger}$ | Total |  |
| Total | 77.7 | 1,243 | 69.3 | 29.0 | 1.7 | 100.0 | 1,002 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 79.3 | 195 | 70.6 | 29.4 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 161 |
| Other urban | 77.9 | 383 | 75.2 | 23.0 | 1.8 | 100.0 | 310 |
| Rural | 76.7 | 665 | 61.2 | 36.2 | 2.6 | 100.0 | 531 |
| Health region |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 78.4 | 413 | 73.9 | 25.3 | 0.8 | 100.0 | 340 |
| 2 | 81.0 | 243 | 57.5 | 36.3 | 6.2 | 100.0 | 205 |
| 3 | 81.1 | 237 | 64.6 | 34.1 | 1.3 | 100.0 | 190 |
| 4 | 73.7 | 350 | 66.8 | 31.2 | 2.0 | 100.0 | 267 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-24 | 71.4 | 337 | 68.3 | 31.0 | 0.7 | 100.0 | 259 |
| 25-34 | 87.6 | 483 | 70.8 | 27.2 | 2.1 | 100.0 | 409 |
| 35-49 | 70.8 | 423 | 67.8 | 29.8 | 2.4 | 100.0 | 334 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Married | 84.3 | 218 | 78.3 | 19.2 | 2.5 | 100.0 | 181 |
| Common law union | 81.9 | 357 | 59.2 | 37.8 | 3.1 | 100.0 | 289 |
| Visiting relationship | 78.1 | 435 | 69.2 | 30.4 | 0.4 | 100.0 | 346 |
| Boyfriend with sex | 78.5 | 63 | 75.8 | 24.2 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 51 |
| Boyfriend without sex | $\ddagger$ | 16 | 92.1 | 7.9 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 9 |
| No steady relationship | 64.8 | 154 | 76.9 | 20.1 | 2.9 | 100.0 | 126 |
| Education level (in years) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-9 | 69.6 | 323 | 50.5 | 47.8 | 1.7 | 100.0 | 246 |
| 10-12 | 74.2 | 746 | 68.6 | 29.4 | 2.1 | 100.0 | 609 |
| 13 or more | 82.3 | 174 | 92.2 | 7.1 | 0.7 | 100.0 | 147 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 82.8 | 319 | 41.5 | 55.9 | 2.5 | 100.0 | 235 |
| Second | 100.0 | 276 | 64.8 | 34.3 | 0.9 | 100.0 | 216 |
| Middle | 71.4 | 250 | 70.1 | 29.2 | 0.8 | 100.0 | 208 |
| Fourth | 79.8 | 218 | 79.5 | 19.1 | 1.4 | 100.0 | 185 |
| Highest | 78.7 | 180 | 89.6 | 7.3 | 3.0 | 100.0 | 158 |
| No. of lifetime sexual partners |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0 | 37.0 | 33 | 83.8 | 9.1 | 7.1 | 100.0 | 18 |
| 1 | 80.1 | 161 | 80.1 | 19.3 | 0.5 | 100.0 | 133 |
| 2-3 | 76.9 | 459 | 69.7 | 28.6 | 1.7 | 100.0 | 359 |
| 4 or more | 81.2 | 526 | 65.0 | 33.0 | 2.0 | 100.0 | 431 |
| No response/refused | 89.3 | 64 | 66.4 | 32.9 | 0.7 | 100.0 | 61 |
| Sexual partners in the past 12 months |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $0$ | 61.7 | 105 | 80.9 | 15.2 | 4.0 | 100.0 | 76 |
| $1$ | 78.0 | 987 | 69.3 | 29.0 | 1.7 | 100.0 | 795 |
| 2 or more | 88.7 | 146 | 61.2 | 38.2 | 0.7 | 100.0 | 126 |
| No response/refused | $\ddagger$ | 5 | $\ddagger$ | $\ddagger$ | $\ddagger$ | 100.0 | 5 |

[^99]Risky Sexual Behaviors* among Women Aged 15-49 Years Who Had Sexual Intercourse in the Last 12 Months by Selected Characteristics
Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008

| Characteristic | Had Intercourse in the Last 12 Months |  |  |  | Had Multiple Partners in the Last 12 Months |  |  | Had Non-Union Partner in the Last 12 Months |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Multiple Sexual Partners in the Last 3 Months | Multiple Sexual Partners in the Last 12 Months | Sex With Nonunion Partner | No. of Cases | Non Condom Use at the Last Sex in the Last 12 Months | Alcohol/Drug Use at the Last Sex in the Last 12 Months | No. of Cases | Non Condom Use at the Last Sex with Non-union Partner in the Last 12 Months | Alcohol/Drug Use at the Last Sex With Non-Union Partner in the Last 12 Months | No. of Cases |
| Total | 3.8 | 7.4 | 14.5 | 6,589 | 46.2 | 24.8 | 459 | 34.7 | 13.0 | 851 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 3.7 | 6.2 | 13.8 | 938 | 26.8 | 26.6 | 58 | 35.0 | 15.2 | 120 |
| Other urban | 5.1 | 9.1 | 15.8 | 1,829 | 53.5 | 23.7 | 148 | 37.0 | 13.8 | 255 |
| Rural | 2.7 | 6.6 | 13.8 | 3,822 | 46.2 | 25.1 | 253 | 32.4 | 11.3 | 476 |
| Health region |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 4.6 | 8.0 | 17.0 | 1,855 | 50.9 | 24.5 | 147 | 35.3 | 12.5 | 286 |
| 2 | 3.0 | 6.4 | 12.9 | 1,400 | 36.0 | 24.7 | 98 | 29.0 | 11.7 | 178 |
| 3 | 2.3 | 5.1 | 12.4 | 1,822 | 35.0 | 27.3 | 93 | 37.2 | 14.2 | 224 |
| 4 | 3.8 | 8.8 | 12.4 | 1,512 | 47.6 | 23.9 | 121 | 34.1 | 14.1 | 163 |
| Age group |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-24 | 5.5 | 11.0 | 28.1 | 1,518 | 37.2 | 26.5 | 159 | 25.7 | 13.1 | 396 |
| 25-34 | 4.4 | 8.8 | 12.3 | 2,332 | 54.9 | 25.6 | 185 | 42.3 | 15.3 | 272 |
| 35-49 | 1.8 | 3.2 | 6.2 | 2,739 | 46.6 | 18.0 | 115 | 51.4 | 8.3 | 183 |
| Current relationship status |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Married/common law union | 1.9 | 3.5 | 3.8 | 3,552 | 65.8 | 34.4 | 118 | 45.6 | 25.3 | 129 |
| Visiting relationship | 6.2 | 11.2 | 13.3 | 2,219 | 45.1 | 22.1 | 244 | 32.6 | 11.3 | 266 |
| Boyfriend with sex | 4.7 | 14.2 | 94.0 | 263 | 19.7 | 17.8 | 44 | 24.7 | 12.0 | 245 |
| Boyfriend without sex or no steady | 2.2 | 8.3 | 40.5 | 555 | 29.9 | 24.7 | 53 | 44.0 | 10.2 | 211 |
| Education level (in vears) ${ }^{\dagger}$ $0-9$ | 3.8 | 7.0 | 12.5 | 1,716 | 57.1 | 26.3 | 130 | 46.6 | 18.0 | 191 |
| 10-12 | 3.9 | 7.8 | 14.8 | 4,068 | 46.8 | 25.6 | 283 | 32.6 | 13.0 | 551 |
| 13 or more | 3.2 | 6.3 | 16.5 | 802 | 23.3 | 17.5 | 46 | 29.1 | 7.0 | 109 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 4.5 | 9.2 | 14.6 | 1,667 | 52.4 | 24.9 | 152 | 45.5 | 14.1 | 220 |
| Second | 3.1 | 6.8 | 15.0 | 1,384 | 45.2 | 30.7 | 100 | 33.7 | 15.5 | 190 |
| Middle | 4.1 | 7.0 | 13.6 | 1,343 | 48.5 | 23.8 | 88 | 25.2 | 10.6 | 173 |
| Fourth | 4.3 | 8.4 | 15.7 | 1,254 | 50.9 | 24.4 | 82 | 32.4 | 17.0 | 157 |
| Highest | 2.8 | 5.3 | 13.8 | 941 | 24.2 | 18.6 | 37 | 35.7 | 6.8 | 111 |
| Lifetime sexual partners |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 14.3 | 1,230 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0 | 26.4 | 7.0 | 144 |
| 2-3 | 2.6 | 5.0 | 10.3 | 2,844 | 42.7 | 20.2 | 107 | 34.8 | 13.6 | 247 |
| 4 or more | 7.1 | 14.5 | 19.0 | 2,141 | 46.5 | 25.5 | 295 | 34.2 | 13.8 | 378 |
| No response/refused | 8.8 | 14.1 | 24.6 | 374 | 54.6 | 33.8 | 57 | 56.7 | 21.1 | 82 |

Defined as having multiple sexual partners, having sexual intercourse with a non-union partner, having unprotected intercourse, and reporting substance abuse at the time of sexual intercourse
${ }^{\dagger}$ Excludes 3 women with missing information.

Table 13.4B
Risky Sexual Behaviors* among Men Aged 15-24 Years Who Had Sexual Intercourse in the Last 12 Months
by Selected Characteristics
Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008

| Table 13.4B <br> ual Behaviors* among Men Aged 15-24 Years Who Had Sexual Intercourse in the Last 12 by Selected Characteristics <br> Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Characteristic | Had Intercourse in the Last 12 Months |  |  |  | Had Multiple Partners in the Last 12 Months |  |  | Had Non-Union Partner in the Last 12 Months |  |  |
|  | Multiple Sexual Partners in the Last 3 Months | Multiple Sexual Partners in the Last 12 Months | Sex With Nonunion Partner | No. of Cases | Non Condom Use at the Last Sex in the Last 12 Months | Alcohol/Drug Use at the Last Sex in the Last 12 Months | No. of Cases | Non Condom Use at the Last Sex with Nonunion Partner in the Last 12 Months | Alcohol/Drug <br> Use at the Last <br> Sex With Non- <br> Union Partner in <br> the Last 12 <br> Months | No. of Cases |
| Total | 39.2 | 57.1 | 96.1 | 1,859 | 21.5 | 18.0 | 1,014 | 26.2 | 19.4 | 1,771 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 37.3 | 59.8 | 97.1 | 298 | 29.5 | 20.5 | 164 | 37.2 | 19.9 | 287 |
| Other urban | 41.4 | 57.7 | 95.0 | 513 | 20.8 | 20.1 | 296 | 25.7 | 23.1 | 483 |
| Rural | 38.7 | 55.8 | 96.4 | 1,048 | 18.7 | 15.6 | 554 | 22.4 | 17.0 | 1,001 |
| Health region $1$ | 34.3 | 57.3 | 97.1 | 568 | 26.5 | 17.1 | 289 | 32.2 | 19.5 | 543 |
| 2 | 36.9 | 51.7 | 95.4 | 373 | 11.8 | 18.0 | 193 | 19.1 | 16.8 | 356 |
| 3 | 33.4 | 47.6 | 92.1 | 479 | 16.9 | 21.7 | 229 | 15.8 | 18.2 | 441 |
| 4 | 53.7 | 68.7 | 98.5 | 439 | 22.1 | 16.6 | 303 | 30.0 | 21.8 | 431 |
| Age group |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 33.1 | 51.1 | 99.8 | 851 | 14.1 | 16.0 | 424 | 22.7 | 13.1 | 848 |
| 20-24 | 44.5 | 62.3 | 92.9 | 1,008 | 26.6 | 19.3 | 590 | 29.5 | 25.3 | 923 |
| Current relationship status Married/common law union | 26.2 | 43.5 | 50.8 | 161 | 52.4 | 18.2 | 57 | 19.4 | 31.1 | 76 |
| Visiting relationship | 50.2 | 64.2 | 99.9 | 550 | 30.4 | 18.2 | 344 | 34.4 | 23.7 | 548 |
| Girlfriend with sex | 39.3 | 58.5 | 100.0 | 803 | 13.4 | 18.6 | 455 | 22.3 | 18.1 | 803 |
| Girlfriend without sex | 21.5 | 51.7 | 100.0 | 126 | 22.8 | 3.7 | 64 | 22.9 | 5.4 | 126 |
| No steady relationship | 30.0 | 46.4 | 99.7 | 219 | 7.0 | 23.3 | 94 | 23.6 | 17.9 | 218 |
| Education level (in years) ${ }^{\dagger}$ 0-9 | 34.7 | 50.2 | 97.3 | 327 | 17.6 | 17.1 | 161 | 21.0 | 17.4 | 314 |
| 10-12 | 39.9 | 57.7 | 95.8 | 1,410 | 21.0 | 17.5 | 779 | 26.4 | 19.7 | 1,341 |
| 13 or more | 42.3 | 66.8 | 96.3 | 114 | 35.0 | 25.1 | 68 | 38.0 | 21.1 | 108 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 36.9 | 52.5 | 96.1 | 394 | 16.0 | 19.4 | 204 | 21.4 | 19.3 | 375 |
| Second | 32.5 | 52.1 | 95.8 | 406 | 19.8 | 20.5 | 205 | 28.9 | 18.8 | 384 |
| Middle | 37.7 | 57.5 | 95.6 | 350 | 29.8 | 15.7 | 191 | 28.5 | 20.0 | 330 |
| Fourth | 40.2 | 59.7 | 96.2 | 379 | 19.2 | 20.4 | 220 | 26.1 | 24.3 | 363 |
| Highest | 48.9 | 63.5 | 96.6 | 330 | 21.6 | 14.4 | 194 | 25.9 | 14.4 | 319 |
| Lifetime sexual partners 1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 97.6 | 149 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0 | 11.9 | 4.8 | 146 |
| 2-3 | 17.8 | 30.2 | 93.5 | 358 | 19.2 | 13.5 | 101 | 21.7 | 9.9 | 332 |
| 4 or more | 48.7 | 70.0 | 96.6 | 1,239 | 22.7 | 18.4 | 834 | 29.8 | 23.8 | 1,185 |
| No response/refused | 51.0 | 71.0 | 96.9 | 113 | 12.2 | 18.9 | 79 | 19.0 | 19.8 | 108 |

Defined as having multiple sexual partners, having sexual intercourse with a non-union partner, having unprotected intercourse, and reporting substance abuse at the time of sexual intercourse.
${ }^{\dagger}$ Excludes 6 and 8 men with missing information.

| Table 13.5A <br> Self-Perceived Risk of STIs among Women Aged 15-49 Years <br> Who Had Sexual Intercourse in the Last 12 Months by Selected Characteristics Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Characteristic | Self-Perceived Risk of STIs (Percent Distribution) |  |  |  |  |  | No. of Cases |
|  | Great Risk | Moderate Risk | Little Risk | No Risk at All | Does Not Know | Total |  |
| Total | 6.2 | 8.6 | 32.6 | 50.0 | 2.5 | 100.0 | 6,585 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 7.7 | 12.1 | 26.7 | 52.2 | 1.4 | 100.0 | 938 |
| Other urban | 5.2 | 7.7 | 36.1 | 48.0 | 2.9 | 100.0 | 1,829 |
| Rural | 6.4 | 7.7 | 32.4 | 50.8 | 2.6 | 100.0 | 3,818 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 6.2 | 9.6 | 30.7 | 51.2 | 2.3 | 100.0 | 1,854 |
| 2 | 7.2 | 27.8 | 28.2 | 51.7 | 4.4 | 100.0 | 1,399 |
| 3 | 4.9 | 8.5 | 42.6 | 42.4 | 1.5 | 100.0 | 1,820 |
| 4 | 7.0 | 6.8 | 29.8 | 53.8 | 2.7 | 100.0 | 1,512 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston | 11.8 | 14.8 | 22.8 | 48.0 | 2.6 | 100.0 | 510 |
| St. Andrew | 5.8 | 10.9 | 27.7 | 54.5 | 1.0 | 100.0 | 491 |
| St. Thomas | 5.7 | 7.6 | 44.1 | 35.9 | 6.7 | 100.0 | 428 |
| Porland | 10.9 | 10.1 | 30.4 | 46.3 | 2.3 | 100.0 | 412 |
| St. Mary | 10.1 | 6.9 | 23.8 | 49.6 | 9.5 | 100.0 | 408 |
| St. Ann | 3.8 | 8.9 | 30.3 | 55.3 | 1.7 | 100.0 | 579 |
| Trelawny | 5.6 | 11.1 | 36.2 | 45.3 | 1.9 | 100.0 | 413 |
| St. James | 4.1 | 6.3 | 45.0 | 43.0 | 1.6 | 100.0 | 519 |
| Hanover | 1.6 | 5.6 | 52.4 | 39.3 | 1.2 | 100.0 | 397 |
| Westmoreland | 7.0 | 11.2 | 38.9 | 41.5 | 1.4 | 100.0 | 491 |
| St. Elizabeth | 5.8 | 7.3 | 24.7 | 58.5 | 3.8 | 100.0 | 443 |
| Manchester | 6.6 | 7.6 | 29.1 | 54.0 | 2.7 | 100.0 | 535 |
| Clarendon | 8.2 | 5.7 | 34.2 | 50.1 | 1.8 | 100.0 | 534 |
| St. Catherine | 5.5 | 7.6 | 33.0 | 51.1 | 2.8 | 100.0 | 425 |
| Age group |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 4.0 | 5.7 | 30.0 | 58.5 | 1.8 | 100.0 | 501 |
| 20-24 | 5.2 | 8.4 | 37.0 | 48.5 | 0.9 | 100.0 | 1,016 |
| 25-29 | 7.2 | 11.2 | 37.9 | 40.8 | 2.8 | 100.0 | 1,232 |
| 30-34 | 6.6 | 9.5 | 36.6 | 44.3 | 3.0 | 100.0 | 1,098 |
| 35-39 | 8.2 | 9.9 | 29.5 | 49.6 | 2.8 | 100.0 | 1,046 |
| 40-44 | 6.6 | 5.5 | 24.8 | 60.2 | 2.9 | 100.0 | 895 |
| 45-49 | 4.0 | 6.8 | 22.9 | 62.4 | 3.8 | 100.0 | 797 |
| Marital status |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Currently in union | 6.6 | 9.0 | 33.7 | 48.1 | 2.6 | 100.0 | 5,767 |
| Previously in union | 3.3 | 5.9 | 23.3 | 65.8 | 1.6 | 100.0 | 671 |
| Never in union | 5.9 | 5.1 | 34.8 | 52.5 | 1.7 | 100.0 | 147 |
| Education level (in years) ${ }^{\dagger}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-9 | 9.4 | 6.8 | 29.5 | 51.4 | 2.8 | 100.0 | 1,715 |
| 10-12 | 5.7 | 8.3 | 33.5 | 49.7 | 2.7 | 100.0 | 4,066 |
| 13 or more | 3.4 | 12.6 | 33.3 | 49.4 | 1.2 | 100.0 | 801 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 8.6 | 6.0 | 33.1 | 49.8 | 2.5 | 100.0 | 1,665 |
| Second | 6.7 | 8.7 | 33.7 | 46.9 | 4.0 | 100.0 | 1,383 |
| Middle | 6.2 | 7.8 | 33.8 | 50.2 | 2.0 | 100.0 | 1,343 |
| Fourth | 6.6 | 8.8 | 32.2 | 49.6 | 2.8 | 100.0 | 1,254 |
| Highest | 2.8 | 12.0 | 30.0 | 54.0 | 1.2 | 100.0 | 940 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $1$ | 3.7 | 6.0 | 28.1 | 59.8 | 2.3 | 100.0 | 1,229 |
| 2-3 | 6.5 | 8.2 | 32.3 | 50.9 | 2.1 | 100.0 | 2,842 |
| 4 or more | 8.0 | 10.7 | 35.5 | 43.1 | 2.8 | 100.0 | 2,140 |
| No response/refused | 3.5 | 9.7 | 35.0 | 46.3 | 5.5 | 100.0 | 374 |
| Sexual partners in the past 12 months 1 | 5.9 | 8.3 | 32.4 | 51.0 | 2.4 | 100.0 | 6,124 |
| 2 or more | 11.1 | 12.3 | 35.5 | 37.3 | 3.8 | 100.0 | 438 |
| No response/refused | $\ddagger$ | $\ddagger$ | $\ddagger$ | $\ddagger$ | $\ddagger$ | 100.0 | 23 |


| Table 13.5B <br> Self-Perceived Risk of STIs among Men Aged 15-24 Years <br> Who Had Sexual Intercourse in the Last 12 Months by Selected Characteristics Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Characteristic | Self-Perceived Risk of STIs (Percent Distribution) |  |  |  |  |  | No. of Cases |
|  | Great Risk | Moderate Risk | Little Risk | $\begin{gathered} \text { No Risk at } \\ \text { All } \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Does Not } \\ & \text { Know } \end{aligned}$ | Total |  |
| Total | 6.9 | 7.5 | 43.5 | 38.0 | 4.1 | 100.0 | 1,858 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 12.6 | 6.5 | 45.9 | 29.6 | 5.5 | 100.0 | 298 |
| Other urban | 5.2 | 8.6 | 43.4 | 38.9 | 3.9 | 100.0 | 513 |
| Rural | 5.8 | 7.1 | 42.7 | 40.6 | 3.8 | 100.0 | 1,047 |
| Health region |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 9.9 | 6.7 | 42.3 | 35.6 | 5.5 | 100.0 | 568 |
| 2 | 8.1 | 10.2 | 37.9 | 42.4 | 1.5 | 100.0 | 373 |
| 3 | 3.0 | 5.1 | 44.0 | 45.4 | 2.5 | 100.0 | 478 |
| 4 | 5.3 | 9.4 | 48.0 | 32.5 | 4.9 | 100.0 | 439 |
| Age group |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 6.0 | 5.3 | 40.7 | 44.0 | 4.0 | 100.0 | 851 |
| 20-24 | 7.6 | 9.3 | 46.0 | 32.9 | 4.3 | 100.0 | 1,007 |
| Current relationship status |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Married/common law union | 1.9 | 3.8 | 41.4 | 48.6 | 4.3 | 100.0 | 161 |
| Visiting relationship | 11.7 | 8.8 | 42.3 | 33.0 | 4.2 | 100.0 | 549 |
| Girlfriend with sex | 5.0 | 7.0 | 47.7 | 37.1 | 3.1 | 100.0 | 803 |
| Girlfriend without sex | 9.1 | 5.8 | 40.6 | 43.9 | 0.6 | 100.0 | 126 |
| No steady relationship | 3.2 | 9.0 | 34.5 | 43.5 | 9.8 | 100.0 | 219 |
| Marital status |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Currently in union | 9.7 | 7.8 | 42.2 | 36.2 | 4.2 | 100.0 | 710 |
| Previously in union | 6.2 | 6.1 | 44.7 | 39.6 | 3.4 | 100.0 | 156 |
| Never in union | 5.0 | 7.5 | 44.3 | 39.0 | 4.2 | 100.0 | 992 |
| Education level (in years) ${ }^{\dagger}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-9 | 5.6 | 7.3 | 33.6 | 45.2 | 8.2 | 100.0 | 327 |
| 10-12 | 7.7 | 6.8 | 45.0 | 37.0 | 3.4 | 100.0 | 1,409 |
| 13 or more | 1.0 | 15.9 | 49.9 | 31.2 | 1.9 | 100.0 | 114 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 5.3 | 7.0 | 38.6 | 44.3 | 4.8 | 100.0 | 394 |
| Second | 4.9 | 6.7 | 39.3 | 43.5 | 5.6 | 100.0 | 405 |
| Middle | 10.3 | 7.3 | 46.1 | 32.5 | 3.7 | 100.0 | 350 |
| Fourth | 7.9 | 7.0 | 46.6 | 36.0 | 2.4 | 100.0 | 379 |
| Highest | 5.4 | 9.3 | 46.4 | 34.5 | 4.4 | 100.0 | 330 |
| No. of lifetime sexual partners |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 6.1 | 3.1 | 31.3 | 54.5 | 5.0 | 100.0 | 150 |
| 2-3 | 2.2 | 6.4 | 36.4 | 50.8 | 4.3 | 100.0 | 358 |
| 4 or more | 8.7 | 8.5 | 46.3 | 32.3 | 4.2 | 100.0 | 1,237 |
| No response/refused | 3.8 | 4.6 | 50.4 | 39.6 | 1.6 | 100.0 | 113 |
| Sexual partners in the past 12 months |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 4.8 | 4.7 | 37.0 | 48.9 | 4.7 | 100.0 | 844 |
| 2 or more | 8.4 | 9.8 | 48.5 | 29.5 | 3.8 | 100.0 | 986 |
| No response/refused | 8.0 | 1.0 | 47.8 | 43.2 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 28 |

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## Chapter 14

HIV/AIDS

Chapter 14 presents knowledge about HIV transmission, including mother-to-child transmission (MTCT) and prevention, HIV testing, self-perceived risk of HIV/AIDS, and stigma toward HIVinfected persons among women aged 15-49 years and men aged 15-24 years.

### 14.1 Awareness and Knowledge of HIV/AIDS

Almost every woman and man (99.9\%) interviewed in the 2008 Reproductive Health Survey reported knowing or having heard of HIV/AIDS (Figure 14.1.1). Among those who knew or have heard of HIV/AIDS, the survey assessed knowledge of different aspects of HIV/AIDS. According to Table 14.1.1A, the characteristic of HIV/AIDS most known to women (92.2\%) was that HIV can be asymptomatic; in other words, HIV-infected people do not always appear sick.

Figure 14.1.1
Awareness and Knowledge of HIV/AIDS: Women Aged 15-49 Years and Young Men 15-24 Years: Jamaica, 2008


The least known item was that drugs exist to reduce MTCT, with $68.6 \%$ of women demonstrating correct knowledge (Figure 14.1.2); however, knowledge of that fact increased with educational level and wealth quintile. For other items, correct knowledge was not necessarily associated with these characteristics.

Figure 14.1.2
Correct Knowledge of MTCT among Women Aged 15-49 Years and Young Men Aged 15-24 Years: Jamaica, 2008


Among young men, the most well-known item was also that HIV can be asymptomatic with $88.8 \%$ showing correct knowledge (Table 14.1.1B and Figure 14.1.1). Knowledge among men aged 15-24 years was similar to that among young women in the same age group.

Knowledge about how to reduce the risk of HIV transmission was assessed in two different ways: survey respondents were asked to spontaneously mention any methods of HIV prevention and were then asked to express whether they agree or disagree with the methods of HIV prevention after they were read aloud by the interviewer. Tables 14.1.2A and 14.1.2B present knowledge of HIV prevention that was spontaneously mentioned by female respondents and by male respondents, respectively.

The most frequently mentioned method for reducing HIV risk among women was condom use (93.5\%), followed by abstinence from sex (63.8\%) and having only one sexual partner (63.8\%) (Figure 14.1.3).

Figure 14.1.3
Spontaneously Named Methods of Preventing HIV Transmission Women Aged 15-49 Years: Jamaica, 2008


Higher education level and wealth quintile appeared to be associated with spontaneously mentioning each of these items. Other methods that were less frequently mentioned by women include not having sex with prostitutes (7.0\%), not having sex with strangers (6.9\%), not having sex with men who have sex with other women (4.9\%), not having oral sex (4.2\%), and not having sex with women (1.7\%) (data not shown). Young women were more likely to mention all items in these tables than were their male counterparts.

Men most commonly mentioned always using a condom (93.3\%), abstaining from sexual intercourse ( $52.8 \%$ ), and being faithful to one partner ( $52.8 \%$ ) (Figure 14.1.4). With the exception of always using a condom, higher educational level was associated with correct knowledge of ways to reduce transmission. Interestingly, for both men and women, having more lifetime partners tended to be negatively associated with correct knowledge. In other words, women and men who had more sexual partners knew less about how to reduce their risk for HIV.

Table 14.1.3A and Table 14.1.3B present knowledge of HIV prevention expressed after being probed by the interviewer. The probed questions were limited to condom use, abstinence from sex, and having one sexual partner. After prompting by the interviewer, the proportion of respondents with knowledge about abstinence from sex as a means of preventing HIV transmission increased ( $95.1 \%$ of women and $88.5 \%$ of men) as did knowledge of being faithful to one partner ( $89.1 \%$ of women and $83.2 \%$ of men).

Figure 14.1.4
Spontaneously Named Methods of Preventing HIV Transmission Young Men Aged 15-24 Years: Jamaica, 2008


The percentages of those who were able to correctly identify all three items as methods of HIV prevention were $84.9 \%$ of women and $77.6 \%$ of men. Higher educational attainment and wealth quintile were not necessarily associated with better knowledge. When restricted to adolescents (15-19 year olds) and young adults (20-24 year olds), young women were more likely than young men to correctly provide answers to all three items (87.1\% of adolescent girls and 83.8\% of young adult women versus $79.1 \%$ of adolescent boys and $75.4 \%$ of young adult men).

Table 14.1.4A shows the percentages of women who correctly rejected common misconceptions about HIV transmission. The misconception that was rejected by the largest percentage of Jamaican women was transmission through hugging and shaking hands with an HIV-infected person ( $98.5 \%$ ), and transmission through mosquito bites was least often rejected (81.0\%). Three quarters ( $75.7 \%$ ) were able to correctly reject all five common misconceptions. High educational attainment and wealth quintile were associated with rejection of all misconceptions.

Compared to young men (Table 14.1.4B), young women were more likely to reject all (72.3$77.4 \%$ versus $64.9-70.1 \%)$. Similar to women, young men most commonly rejected the misconception that HIV can be transmitted through hugging and shaking hands (96.9\%) and least often rejected the notion of transmission through mosquito bites (73.1\%). Two-thirds of young men (67.0\%) correctly rejected all five misconceptions.

### 14.2 HIV-testing

Table 14.2.1A shows that $95.3 \%$ of women knew where HIV testing is provided. A little less than two-thirds (60.0\%) of women reported actually having been tested and receiving their results at some point in their lifetime, and $26 \%$ reported that their last HIV-test took place within 12 months of the interview (Figure 14.2.1). High educational attainment, currently and previously being in a union, and having at least one sexual partner in her lifetime were particularly associated with knowing the testing location, ever being testing, and being tested in the past 12 months. Among 1,676 women who had been pregnant at least for six months at the time of the survey or had been pregnant since January 2006 and had prenatal care, $91.3 \%$ were tested for HIV (Table 14.2.1A).

Figure 14.2.1
Knowledge and Experience of HIV Testing Among Women 15-49 Years of Age: Jamaica, 2008


Compared to young men (Table 14.2.1B), young women were more likely to know where the test was provided (89.8\%-97.3\% versus $81.0 \%-91.9 \%$ ), to have ever been tested $(22.1 \%-70.4 \%$ versus $7.5 \%-25.8 \%$ ), and to have been tested in the past 12 months ( $15.1 \%-37.8 \%$ versus $4.4 \%-$ $13.7 \%$ ) (Figure 14.2.2). The characteristics of male respondents that were associated with knowing the testing location -- currently or previously being in a union, and having at least one partner in his lifetime -- were the same as those mentioned for women.

Figure 14.2.2
Knowledge and Experience of HIV Testing Among Young Men 15-24 Years of Age: Jamaica, 2008


Among women who have ever been tested, the most common location of HIV-testing was a government hospital or clinic (55.3\%), followed by a private hospital, clinic, or laboratory (36.3\%), as shown in Table 14.2.2 and Figure 14.2.3. STD centers and services provided by nonprofit or non-governmental agencies constituted only a small percentage of facilities where women were tested (5.3\%). Women's likelihood of being tested in a private health care facility was higher in Health Region 1 and increased with respondent's age. Women with the highest educational attainment and the highest wealth quintile of the household reported the highest levels of testing in the private sector ( $62.1 \%$ and $62.7 \%$, respectively). Among young men aged 15-24 years who have ever been tested for HIV, $53.9 \%$ went to a government hospital or clinic, $33.1 \%$ went to a private hospital, clinic or laboratory, and $7.1 \%$ went to others health providers (data not shown).

One in two (54.9\%) women aged 15-49 years who have never had sexual intercourse and have never been tested for HIV said that they were not willing to be tested even if the test was offered free or at low cost. Therefore, the denominator in Table 14.2.3A was restricted to only include women who were sexually experienced.

Figure 14.2.3
Place of Last HIV Test for Women Aged 15-49 Years Who Reported Ever Being Tested for HIV/AIDS: Jamaica, 2008


Overall, $71.1 \%$ of women with sexual experience were willing to take the test if it was offered free or at low cost, $17.4 \%$ were not willing, and the remaining $11.5 \%$ were not sure. Women aged 45-49 years and women with at least 13 years of schooling had the highest percentage of NOT being willing to take the test (28.7 and 26.0\%, respectively). Gender differences among young adults were not large or consistent. Nearly three quarters ( $73.8 \%$ ) of young men indicated a willingness to get tested, whereas $16.8 \%$ stated they were unwilling and $9.4 \%$ were unsure (Table 14.2.3B). Among 1,103 women who were not willing to be tested for HIV, $63.1 \%$ said that they never felt it necessary and $11.4 \%$ said that the test was not necessary because they were not sexually active and are not at risk of HIV (data not shown).

### 14.3 Self-perceived Risk of HIV/AIDS

Interviewers asked all of the respondents to rate their perceived risk of contracting HIV at one of four levels: great risk, moderate risk, little risk, and no risk at all. Table 14.3.1A and Figure 14.3.1 show that more than half ( $55.9 \%$ ) of women considered themselves to be at no risk of HIV transmission, followed by "little risk" (27.6\%).

## Figure 14.3.1

Perceived Risk of Getting HIV/AIDS Among Women Aged 15-49 Years, by Marital Status: Jamaica, 2008


Women who lived in the Kingston parish (11.6\%), were in a common law union (8.6\%) or visiting partnership (8.5\%), and had the lowest level of education (8.8\%) more often said they perceived themselves to be at great risk in comparison to their counterparts. Young men were more likely to perceive themselves as being at great risk than were women of the same age (Table 14.3.1B). Slightly more than half ( $53.6 \%$ ) of young men declared they had no risk at all, $31.5 \%$ felt they had a little risk, $5.7 \%$ a moderate risk, and $6.0 \%$ great risk. When these variables were restricted to only those who had sexual experience (Tables 14.3.2A and 14.3.2B) the patterns were similar.

Among sexually experienced women who acknowledged having any level of risk, 53.0\% indicated that the reason for their risk was condom-related, including partner's refusal to use a condom, inconsistent condom use, or the belief that a "condom can break", followed by 30.3\% of women listing factors related to a partners' sexual behaviors, including a partner having other partners and a partner spending "a lot of time away" (Table 14.3.3A). Respondent's own sexual behaviors (e.g. having multiple sexual partners) (1.3\%) or risk associated with the use of a medical facility (e.g. blood transfusion and unsterilized needles) ( $3.5 \%$ ), were less common reasons given. Young men were more likely to mention the lack of condom use as a reason for their risk compare to women in the same age groups ( $82.5 \%-75.3 \%$ versus $64.2 \%-63.4 \%$ ) (Table 14.3.3B). In sharp contrast to their female counterparts, young men were significantly less likely to indicate their partner's risky sexual behavior as the reason for their risk of HIV transmission ( $2.5 \%$ of adolescent boys and $4.4 \%$ of young adult men compared to $23.1 \%$ of adolescent girls and $26.7 \%$ of young adult women).

Among all women who considered themselves at no risk of HIV transmission (data not shown), the lack of a current sexual relationship was the most common reason ( $37.9 \%$ ) , followed by condom use ( $28.2 \%$ ), own sexual behaviors (e.g. having only one sexual partner, not having sex with strangers)( $16.5 \%$ ), and partner's sexual behaviors (e.g. "trust" or "know partners well") (13.0\%). Young men were more likely to report condom use as a primary reason for no selfperceived risk of HIV.

### 14.4 Stigma toward HIV-infected Persons

The survey also included a series of questions to assess the level of stigma and discrimination confronting people living with HIV/AIDS in Jamaica. All respondents were asked whether or not they were willing to interact with HIV-infected persons in different hypothetical situations. The most tolerant attitudes were found for the following statement: "If you knew that a co-worker was infected with the AIDS virus, would you be willing to work with him/her?" with $90.1 \%$ of women and $88.0 \%$ of young men saying yes as shown in Tables 14.4A-14.4.B and Figure 14.3.2. The least tolerant attitudes were found for the following statement: "If a relative of yours became infected with the AIDS virus, would you want it to be kept a secret?" with only $29.1 \%$ of women and $24.5 \%$ of young men saying no. Slightly less than half ( $43.9 \%$ ) of women and a third ( $33.7 \%$ ) of men reported that they would NOT buy fresh vegetables or fruits from an HIVinfected vendor. Higher educational attainment and wealth quintiles were generally associated with more accepting attitudes toward persons with HIV infection.

Figure 14.3.2
Accepting Attitudes toward Persons Living with HIV/AIDS among Women Aged 15-49 Years and Young Men Aged 15-24 Years


| Table 14.1.1ACorrect Knowledge of HIV/AIDS and Mother-to-Child-Transmission (MTCT) among Women Aged 15-49 Yearsby Selected CharacteristicsReproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Characteristic | \% <br> Who Knows that HIV Can Be Asymptomatic | \% <br> Who Knows No Cure Exists | Transmission <br> during <br> Pregnancy | Correct MTC <br> Transmission <br> during <br> Delivery | Knowledge <br> Transmission <br> during <br> Breastfeeding | Drugs Exist to Reduce MTCT | No. of Cases ${ }^{*}$ |
| Total | 92.2 | 77.9 | 85.3 | 73.5 | 82.2 | 68.6 | 8,254 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 93.6 | 72.7 | 74.7 | 69.1 | 79.3 | 71.3 | 1,198 |
| Other urban | 92.7 | 79.4 | 86.4 | 76.2 | 80.2 | 70.2 | 2,283 |
| Rural | 91.1 | 79.1 | 89.3 | 73.4 | 85.3 | 66.1 | 4,773 |
| Health region |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $1$ | 91.4 | 77.0 | 82.1 | 72.3 | 78.1 | 68.1 | 2,339 |
| 2 | 93.8 | 79.8 | 81.8 | 68.2 | 81.8 | 63.8 | 1,759 |
| 3 | 95.2 | 76.1 | 89.0 | 80.1 | 90.6 | 80.2 | 2,311 |
| 4 | 90.1 | 80.5 | 90.8 | 73.1 | 83.3 | 61.6 | 1,845 |
| Parish |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston | 93.2 | 62.4 | 77.4 | 67.5 | 77.0 | 69.8 | 644 |
| St. Andrew | 90.8 | 75.4 | 76.5 | 70.5 | 81.0 | 69.2 | 636 |
| St. Thomas | 89.1 | 66.3 | 85.4 | 66.4 | 74.3 | 63.1 | 504 |
| Portland | 94.6 | 66.3 | 83.0 | 61.5 | 81.9 | 69.5 | 516 |
| St. Mary | 95.8 | 82.5 | 81.4 | 65.2 | 85.2 | 73.7 | 542 |
| St. Ann | 92.0 | 83.3 | 81.6 | 73.4 | 79.2 | 53.8 | 701 |
| Trelawny | 96.8 | 73.1 | 83.6 | 76.3 | 88.6 | 73.6 | 516 |
| St. James | 92.7 | 72.0 | 86.1 | 75.1 | 89.4 | 72.7 | 635 |
| Hanover | 98.5 | 73.9 | 91.0 | 85.0 | 91.7 | 83.9 | 540 |
| Westmoreland | 95.7 | 83.7 | 94.1 | 85.4 | 92.6 | 90.9 | 620 |
| St. Elizabeth | 90.8 | 87.6 | 90.3 | 72.5 | 86.9 | 50.3 | 528 |
| Manchester | 91.1 | 78.4 | 91.2 | 72.9 | 81.9 | 68.4 | 668 |
| Clarendon | 88.7 | 77.2 | 90.9 | 73.8 | 81.9 | 63.6 | 649 |
| St. Catherine | 91.9 | 82.7 | 87.7 | 75.7 | 76.1 | 67.4 | 555 |
| Age group |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 88.7 | 79.7 | 81.3 | 65.3 | 79.0 | 62.2 | 1,229 |
| 20-24 | 93.3 | 80.5 | 85.5 | 72.4 | 86.9 | 74.7 | 1,113 |
| 25-29 | 92.3 | 75.2 | 84.7 | 75.9 | 84.5 | 69.3 | 1,349 |
| 30-34 | 94.5 | 78.6 | 87.1 | 74.5 | 81.4 | 72.8 | 1,218 |
| 35-39 | 93.5 | 79.0 | 87.3 | 80.4 | 84.8 | 69.2 | 1,220 |
| 40-44 | 91.8 | 74.8 | 87.7 | 74.1 | 76.0 | 66.9 | 1,083 |
| 45-49 | 91.6 | 75.2 | 84.8 | 75.1 | 81.6 | 63.7 | 1,042 |
| Current relationship status |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Married | 93.7 | 74.1 | 86.7 | 80.7 | 81.4 | 74.4 | 1,440 |
| Common law union | 92.6 | 79.8 | 89.3 | 74.3 | 85.2 | 68.6 | 2,158 |
| Visiting relationship | 93.6 | 78.5 | 84.5 | 73.9 | 85.0 | 69.8 | 2,276 |
| Boyfriend with sex | 89.7 | 78.4 | 87.6 | 73.4 | 80.3 | 57.7 | 281 |
| Boyfriend without sex | 87.8 | 81.0 | 87.5 | 74.3 | 82.7 | 65.0 | 197 |
| No steady relationship | 90.1 | 77.2 | 81.2 | 68.1 | 76.6 | 65.9 | 1,902 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| In union | 93.3 | 78.0 | 86.6 | 75.5 | 84.3 | 70.4 | 5,874 |
| Previously in union | 90.7 | 75.2 | 86.6 | 74.4 | 78.9 | 66.4 | 1,344 |
| Never in union | 88.8 | 80.3 | 78.2 | 64.0 | 76.4 | 63.2 | 1,036 |
| Education level (in years) ${ }^{\dagger}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-9 | 90.0 | 77.8 | 85.9 | 72.0 | 82.8 | 59.3 | 2,181 |
| 10-12 | 92.3 | 77.9 | 85.0 | 72.2 | 82.3 | 69.8 | 5,076 |
| 13 or more | 95.4 | 78.2 | 85.7 | 82.5 | 80.7 | 79.0 | 994 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 88.7 | 79.2 | 86.8 | 71.3 | 83.0 | 61.2 | 1,998 |
| Second | 91.5 | 78.3 | 88.2 | 73.9 | 85.4 | 67.0 | 1,715 |
| Middle | 93.1 | 78.2 | 84.5 | 71.4 | 82.1 | 68.6 | 1,668 |
| Fourth | 92.8 | 75.7 | 83.9 | 73.9 | 82.1 | 71.1 | 1,650 |
|  | 94.9 | 78.2 | 83.2 | 77.3 | 78.6 | 75.5 | 1,223 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0 | 88.3 | 80.0 | 75.4 | 62.4 | 74.7 | 62.0 | 816 |
| 1 | 92.7 | 77.3 | 86.3 | 75.6 | 80.5 | 72.4 | 1,424 |
| 2-3 | 93.5 | 78.3 | 86.6 | 75.6 | 84.8 | 70.0 | 3,213 |
| 4 or more | 92.1 | 76.7 | 86.8 | 74.1 | 84.6 | 68.4 | 2,352 |
| No response/refused | 90.4 | 77.7 | 88.9 | 75.1 | 75.0 | 62.4 | 449 |

* Excludes 5 women who have never heard of HIVIAIDS.
$\dagger$ Excludes 3 women with missing information.

| Table 14.1.1B <br> Correct Knowledge of HIV/AIDS and Mother-to-Child-Transmission (MTCT) among Men Aged 15-24 Years by Selected Characteristics Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Characteristic | \% <br> Who Knows that HIV Can Be Asymptomatic | $\%$ <br> Who Knows <br> No Cure <br> Exists | Correct MTCT Knowledge |  |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { No. of } \\ & \text { Cases } \end{aligned}$ |
|  |  |  | Transmission during Pregnancy | Transmission during Delivery | Transmission during Breastfeeding | Drugs Exist to Reduce MTCT |  |
| Total | 88.8 | 72.8 | 85.6 | 70.2 | 78.6 | 52.9 | 2,772 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 88.9 | 72.6 | 86.5 | 80.1 | 83.1 | 51.0 | 380 |
| Other urban | 91.5 | 70.7 | 85.2 | 67.4 | 77.1 | 51.5 | 759 |
| Rural | 87.1 | 74.0 | 85.5 | 69.0 | 78.2 | 54.3 | 1,633 |
| Health region |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 90.1 | 68.8 | 87.4 | 72.8 | 79.5 | 53.4 | 789 |
| 2 | 81.8 | 78.5 | 76.0 | 57.4 | 77.3 | 45.3 | 551 |
| 3 | 94.3 | 69.3 | 88.7 | 75.0 | 79.3 | 57.4 | 774 |
| 4 | 84.9 | 78.9 | 84.9 | 68.6 | 77.4 | 51.7 | 658 |
| Age group |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 88.0 | 73.5 | 84.7 | 70.1 | 78.3 | 49.7 | 1,650 |
| 20-24 | 89.9 | 71.7 | 86.9 | 70.5 | 79.2 | 57.5 | 1,122 |
| Current relationship status |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Married/common law union | 87.2 | 75.0 | 89.1 | 76.6 | 79.2 | 63.1 | 162 |
| Visiting relationship | 90.2 | 69.8 | 86.9 | 71.7 | 81.2 | 55.7 | 553 |
| Girlfriend with sex | 88.2 | 73.6 | 87.4 | 72.5 | 79.5 | 51.1 | 829 |
| Girlfriend without sex | 89.5 | 72.6 | 86.7 | 70.4 | 75.5 | 50.4 | 409 |
| No steady relationship | 88.2 | 73.6 | 81.4 | 65.5 | 77.5 | 52.2 | 819 |
| Marital status |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| In union | 89.6 | 70.9 | 87.4 | 72.7 | 80.8 | 57.2 | 715 |
| Previously in union | 91.5 | 71.5 | 90.5 | 73.7 | 83.5 | 44.7 | 175 |
| Never in union | 88.2 | 73.6 | 84.4 | 68.9 | 77.3 | 52.0 | 1,882 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-9 | 83.3 | 72.0 | 80.4 | 64.0 | 75.2 | 43.7 | 685 |
| 10-12 | 90.1 | 72.7 | 87.3 | 71.6 | 79.9 | 54.8 | 1,943 |
| 13 or more | 96.0 | 78.1 | 86.2 | 81.9 | 77.7 | 68.7 | 130 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 82.3 | 76.9 | 80.3 | 68.6 | 77.2 | 43.5 | 631 |
| Second | 91.4 | 68.4 | 84.6 | 66.1 | 78.4 | 49.1 | 618 |
| Middle | 89.9 | 71.2 | 87.3 | 72.8 | 82.9 | 56.4 | 512 |
| Fourth | 91.4 | 77.1 | 88.7 | 74.0 | 80.9 | 56.2 | 538 |
| Highest | 88.9 | 69.9 | 87.1 | 69.5 | 73.3 | 59.8 | 473 |
| Lifetime sexual partners |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0 | 87.5 | 77.0 | 81.5 | 67.1 | 74.6 | 51.7 | 712 |
| 1 | 85.1 | 70.6 | 82.6 | 69.1 | 73.2 | 56.6 | 243 |
| 2-3 | 92.0 | 74.2 | 90.8 | 74.1 | 83.9 | 53.2 | 421 |
| 4 or more | 89.0 | 71.3 | 86.5 | 71.4 | 79.6 | 54.0 | 1,280 |
| No response/refused | 87.8 | 63.1 | 85.8 | 64.5 | 82.7 | 40.8 | 116 |

[^101]| Table 14.1.2A <br> Spontaneousely Mentioned Ways to Reduce the Risk of HIV Transmission among Women Aged 15-49 Years, by Selected Characteristics Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Ways to Reduce the Risk of HIV Transmission |  |  |  |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { No. of } \\ & \text { Cases } \end{aligned}$ |
| Characteristic | Always Use Condoms | Abstain from Sexual Intercourse | Be Faithful to One Partner | Do Not Share Needles with Infected Persons | Do Not Receive Untested Blood Transfusions |  |
| Total | 93.5 | 63.8 | 63.8 | 17.2 | 16.9 | 8,254 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 95.0 | 70.9 | 70.9 | 6.8 | 7.9 | 1,198 |
| Other urban | 93.7 | 69.0 | 69.0 | 22.1 | 20.3 | 2,283 |
| Rural | 92.6 | 56.1 | 56.1 | 18.0 | 18.2 | 4,773 |
| Health region |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 94.1 | 72.2 | 72.2 | 13.8 | 12.7 | 2,339 |
| 2 | 92.1 | 62.0 | 62.0 | 17.6 | 16.8 | 1,759 |
| 3 | 94.3 | 61.7 | 61.7 | 29.3 | 31.4 | 2,311 |
| 4 | 92.1 | 48.8 | 48.8 | 12.9 | 12.1 | 1,845 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston | 92.8 | 67.6 | 67.6 | 8.2 | 10.0 | 644 |
| St. Andrew | 95.1 | 68.5 | 68.5 | 6.5 | 7.2 | 636 |
| St. Thomas | 87.9 | 53.7 | 53.7 | 7.8 | 7.5 | 504 |
| Portland | 95.9 | 67.9 | 67.9 | 7.3 | 5.2 | 516 |
| St. Mary | 87.8 | 67.3 | 67.3 | 21.7 | 21.9 | 542 |
| St. Ann | 93.8 | 55.3 | 55.3 | 18.9 | 17.9 | 701 |
| Trelawny | 98.1 | 74.7 | 74.7 | 35.4 | 32.1 | 516 |
| St. James | 91.3 | 56.2 | 56.2 | 11.6 | 13.2 | 635 |
| Hanover | 96.0 | 66.1 | 66.1 | 36.7 | 32.9 | 540 |
| Westmoreland | 95.2 | 59.2 | 59.2 | 43.4 | 51.7 | 620 |
| St. Elizabeth | 94.3 | 44.4 | 44.4 | 11.7 | 9.9 | 528 |
| Manchester | 90.9 | 49.7 | 49.7 | 13.1 | 12.4 | 668 |
| Clarendon | 91.5 | 51.1 | 51.1 | 13.5 | 13.2 | 649 |
| St. Catherine | 94.3 | 79.1 | 79.1 | 22.6 | 19.1 | 555 |
| Age group |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 93.3 | 68.9 | 68.9 | 19.4 | 16.9 | 1,229 |
| 20-24 | 94.9 | 66.4 | 66.4 | 18.2 | 16.2 | 1,113 |
| 25-29 | 94.3 | 66.0 | 66.0 | 20.1 | 17.5 | 1,349 |
| 30-34 | 93.0 | 60.4 | 60.4 | 17.1 | 19.2 | 1,218 |
| 35-39 | 93.9 | 59.3 | 59.3 | 14.3 | 14.9 | 1,220 |
| 40-44 | 92.4 | 57.6 | 57.6 | 14.5 | 16.5 | 1,083 |
| 45-49 | 91.1 | 65.7 | 65.7 | 14.4 | 16.6 | 1,042 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Married | 92.7 | 64.4 | 64.4 | 17.4 | 19.1 | 1,440 |
| Common law union | 93.4 | 57.7 | 57.7 | 14.6 | 15.7 | 2,158 |
| Visiting relationship | 95.2 | 61.2 | 61.2 | 16.1 | 16.5 | 2,276 |
| Boyfriend with sex | 95.1 | 62.9 | 62.9 | 16.6 | 14.1 | 281 |
| Boyfriend without sex | 89.2 | 73.8 | 73.8 | 22.0 | 20.0 | 197 |
| No steady relationship | 92.1 | 71.1 | 71.1 | 20.4 | 17.1 | 1,902 |
| Marital status |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| In union | 94.1 | 60.8 | 60.8 | 15.9 | 16.8 | 5,874 |
| Previously in union | 92.5 | 64.1 | 64.1 | 17.7 | 15.9 | 1,344 |
| Never in union | 91.8 | 76.9 | 76.9 | 22.7 | 18.3 | 1,036 |
| Education level (in years) ${ }^{\dagger}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-9 | 91.1 | 55.0 | 55.0 | 10.8 | 11.6 | 2,181 |
| 10-12 | 94.1 | 64.4 | 64.4 | 17.5 | 17.5 | 5,076 |
| 13 or more | 94.6 | 75.9 | 75.9 | 27.0 | 22.7 | 994 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 91.6 | 50.0 | 50.0 | 12.4 | 14.7 | 1,998 |
| Second | 93.8 | 55.9 | 55.9 | 12.8 | 13.0 | 1,715 |
| Middle | 94.2 | 63.7 | 63.7 | 15.8 | 16.4 | 1,668 |
| Fourth | 92.6 | 70.4 | 70.4 | 22.0 | 19.1 | 1,650 |
| Highest | 95.3 | 78.8 | 78.8 | 22.8 | 20.9 | 1,223 |
| Lifetime sexual partners |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0 | 91.7 | 78.5 | 78.5 | 22.2 | 18.0 | 816 |
| 1 | 94.6 | 64.3 | 64.3 | 22.3 | 22.0 | 1,424 |
| 2-3 | 92.7 | 62.0 | 62.0 | 15.6 | 16.2 | 3,213 |
| 4 or more | 94.8 | 59.4 | 59.4 | 14.6 | 15.3 | 2,352 |
| No response/refused | 92.4 | 62.1 | 62.1 | 11.8 | 8.9 | 449 |

[^102]| Table 14.1.2B <br> Spontaneousely Mentioned Ways to Reduce the Risk of HIV Transmission among Men Aged 15-24 Years, by Selected Characteristics Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Characteristic | Ways to Reduce the Risk of HIV Transmission |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Always Use Condoms | Abstain from Sexual Intercourse | Be Faithful to One Partner | Do Not Share Needles with Infected Persons | Do Not Receive Untested Blood Transfusions | No. of Cases |
| Total | 93.3 | 52.8 | 52.8 | 15.3 | 14.1 | 2,772 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 92.1 | 37.3 | 37.3 | 16.6 | 22.1 | 380 |
| Other urban | 94.6 | 57.7 | 57.7 | 13.5 | 11.0 | 759 |
| Rural | 93.0 | 54.5 | 54.5 | 16.0 | 13.5 | 1,633 |
| Health region |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 93.6 | 47.9 | 47.9 | 16.7 | 15.7 | 789 |
| 2 | 90.7 | 63.9 | 63.9 | 13.3 | 10.5 | 551 |
| 3 | 95.6 | 62.2 | 62.2 | 18.4 | 20.0 | 774 |
| 4 | 92.1 | 44.2 | 44.2 | 11.4 | 7.6 | 658 |
| Age group |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 93.2 | 56.4 | 56.4 | 14.9 | 13.1 | 1,650 |
| 20-24 | 93.6 | 47.5 | 47.5 | 15.9 | 15.4 | 1,122 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Married/common law union | 94.5 | 45.5 | 45.5 | 11.3 | 15.1 | 162 |
| Visiting relationship | 95.5 | 43.3 | 43.3 | 12.1 | 9.6 | 553 |
| Girlfriend with sex | 93.2 | 52.3 | 52.3 | 21.5 | 17.1 | 829 |
| Girlfriend without sex | 95.6 | 53.7 | 53.7 | 9.5 | 16.0 | 409 |
| No steady relationship | 90.5 | 60.9 | 60.9 | 15.2 | 12.9 | 819 |
| Marital status |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| In union | 95.3 | 43.7 | 43.7 | 11.9 | 10.7 | 715 |
| Previously in union | 94.2 | 41.5 | 41.5 | 10.0 | 10.7 | 175 |
| Never in union | 92.5 | 57.3 | 57.3 | 17.2 | 15.7 | 1,882 |
| Education level (in years) ${ }^{\dagger}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-9 | 91.0 | 47.5 | 47.5 | 11.6 | 10.6 | 685 |
| 10-12 | 94.5 | 53.0 | 53.0 | 16.3 | 15.0 | 1,943 |
| 13 or more | 88.5 | 72.1 | 72.1 | 19.8 | 18.9 | 130 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 91.5 | 49.7 | 49.7 | 11.5 | 9.1 | 631 |
| Second | 90.7 | 54.2 | 54.2 | 16.2 | 12.2 | 618 |
| Middle | 95.2 | 52.2 | 52.2 | 16.7 | 15.8 | 512 |
| Fourth | 94.4 | 49.2 | 49.2 | 13.7 | 17.9 | 538 |
| Highest | 95.0 | 59.1 | 59.1 | 19.0 | 15.5 | 473 |
| Lifetime sexual partners |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0 | 93.1 | 64.0 | 64.0 | 15.9 | 16.3 | 712 |
| 1 | 92.2 | 56.0 | 56.0 | 18.4 | 16.3 | 243 |
| 2-3 | 93.5 | 50.8 | 50.8 | 15.1 | 11.1 | 421 |
| 4 or more | 93.3 | 47.5 | 47.5 | 14.0 | 12.9 | 1,280 |
| No response/refused | 96.4 | 45.0 | 45.0 | 21.2 | 20.1 | 116 |

[^103]Table 14.1.3A

| Table 14.1.3A <br> Knowledge about Ways to Prevent the Sexual Transmission of HIV in Response to Prompted Questions among Women Aged 15-49 Years, by Selected Characteristics <br> Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Principal Ways to Prevent the Sexual Transmission of HIV |  |  |  |  |
| Characteristic | Always Use Condoms | Abstain from Sexual Intercourse | Be Faithful to One Partner | All Three | No. of Cases* |
| Total | 98.3 | 95.1 | 89.1 | 84.9 | 8,254 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 99.5 | 97.6 | 97.3 | 94.9 | 1,198 |
| Other urban | 98.1 | 94.6 | 88.2 | 83.0 | 2,283 |
| Rural | 97.8 | 94.4 | 86.0 | 81.6 | 4,773 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 98.5 | 95.7 | 92.4 | 87.9 | 2,339 |
| 2 | 97.5 | 96.4 | 90.7 | 87.0 | 1,759 |
| 3 | 98.7 | 94.7 | 90.2 | 86.2 | 2,311 |
| 4 | 97.7 | 93.4 | 79.9 | 75.6 | 1,845 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston | 98.9 | 97.2 | 96.2 | 94.7 | 644 |
| St. Andrew | 99.7 | 97.6 | 97.9 | 95.2 | 636 |
| St. Thomas | 96.0 | 91.0 | 74.9 | 68.3 | 504 |
| Portland | 97.8 | 94.8 | 85.8 | 81.5 | 516 |
| St. Mary | 94.8 | 95.3 | 89.1 | 83.2 | 542 |
| St. Ann | 99.4 | 97.9 | 94.0 | 92.2 | 701 |
| Trelawny | 99.3 | 97.7 | 93.8 | 91.9 | 516 |
| St. James | 98.1 | 96.0 | 88.6 | 84.9 | 635 |
| Hanover | 99.0 | 99.2 | 94.5 | 93.4 | 540 |
| Westmoreland | 99.0 | 89.6 | 88.2 | 81.3 | 620 |
| St. Elizabeth | 97.0 | 93.0 | 75.3 | 70.0 | 528 |
| Manchester | 97.9 | 91.9 | 88.0 | 82.9 | 668 |
| Clarendon | 98.0 | 95.2 | 75.9 | 73.0 | 649 |
| St. Catherine | 97.7 | 94.2 | 89.0 | 82.5 | 555 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 98.6 | 96.2 | 90.0 | 87.1 | 1,229 |
| 20-24 | 99.0 | 94.4 | 88.1 | 83.8 | 1,113 |
| 25-29 | 98.0 | 96.3 | 86.6 | 83.3 | 1,349 |
| 30-34 | 98.1 | 95.1 | 87.7 | 83.1 | 1,218 |
| 35-39 | 98.1 | 94.0 | 90.1 | 85.1 | 1,220 |
| 40-44 | 97.6 | 93.2 | 90.4 | 84.6 | 1,083 |
| 45-49 | 97.8 | 96.2 | 92.8 | 88.0 | 1,042 |
| Current relationship status   <br> 10.8   |  |  |  |  |  |
| Married | 97.8 | 93.2 | 94.0 | 86.6 | 1,440 |
| Common law union | 98.1 | 93.8 | 89.2 | 83.6 | 2,158 |
| Visiting relationship | 98.6 | 94.9 | 87.4 | 83.8 | 2,276 |
| Boyfriend with sex | 99.4 | 97.0 | 88.6 | 86.8 | 281 |
| Boyfriend without sex | 99.1 | 99.5 | 87.9 | 87.0 | 197 |
|  | 98.0 | 96.8 | 88.4 | 85.8 | 1,902 |
| Marital status |  |  |  |  |  |
| In union | 98.2 | 94.2 | 89.4 | 84.3 | 5,874 |
| Previously in union | 98.0 | 96.6 | 86.3 | 83.5 | 1,344 |
| Never in union | 98.6 | 97.6 | 90.6 | 88.6 | 1,036 |
| Education level (in years) ${ }^{\dagger} \quad \square$ |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-9 | 97.2 | 94.8 | 86.2 | 81.5 | 2,181 |
| 10-12 | 98.4 | 95.1 | 89.8 | 85.7 | 5,076 |
| 13 or more | 99.6 | 95.6 | 90.5 | 86.5 | 994 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 97.1 | 93.7 | 85.1 | 79.7 | 1,998 |
| Second | 98.9 | 93.6 | 86.5 | 82.3 | 1,715 |
| Middle | 98.1 | 95.7 | 90.7 | 86.5 | 1,668 |
| Fourth | 98.5 | 96.4 | 91.4 | 88.2 | 1,650 |
| Highest | 98.8 | 96.0 | 91.7 | 87.4 | 1,223 |
| Lifetime sexual partners |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0 | 98.6 | 97.8 | 91.5 | 89.4 | 816 |
| 1 | 98.7 | 94.7 | 92.3 | 87.2 | 1,424 |
| 2-3 | 97.6 | 94.7 | 88.8 | 84.0 | 3,213 |
| 4 or more | 98.7 | 94.3 | 87.0 | 82.7 | 2,352 |
| No response/refused | 98.5 | 96.7 | 84.6 | 82.2 | 449 |

[^104]| Table 14.1.3B <br> Knowledge about Ways to Prevent the Sexual Transmission of HIV in Response to Prompted Questions among Men Aged 15-24 Years by Selected Characteristics Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Characteristic | Principal Ways to Prevent the Sexual Transmission of HIV |  |  |  | No. of Cases* |
|  | Always Use Condoms | Abstain from Sexual Intercourse | Be Faithful to One Partner | All Three |  |
| Total | 98.2 | 88.5 | 83.2 | 77.6 | 2,772 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 99.1 | 78.3 | 64.4 | 58.1 | 380 |
| Other urban | 98.6 | 91.2 | 89.2 | 83.3 | 759 |
| Rural | 97.8 | 90.0 | 85.4 | 80.0 | 1,633 |
| Health region |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 98.4 | 81.5 | 74.3 | 66.1 | 789 |
| 2 | 95.2 | 91.1 | 78.9 | 73.8 | 551 |
| 3 | 99.2 | 93.5 | 90.5 | 86.8 | 774 |
| 4 | 98.7 | 92.3 | 91.1 | 86.8 | 658 |
| Age group |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 98.3 | 89.7 | 83.9 | 79.1 | 1,650 |
| 20-24 | 98.2 | 86.9 | 82.2 | 75.4 | 1,122 |
| Current relationship status |  |  |  |  |  |
| Married/common law union | 98.7 | 78.5 | 88.6 | 73.6 | 162 |
| Visiting relationship | 98.6 | 81.1 | 80.7 | 72.8 | 553 |
| Girlfriend with sex | 99.0 | 90.6 | 82.1 | 77.5 | 829 |
| Girlfriend without sex | 98.7 | 89.7 | 85.3 | 79.8 | 409 |
| No steady relationship | 96.7 | 93.1 | 84.2 | 80.7 | 819 |
| Marital status |  |  |  |  |  |
| In union | 98.7 | 80.5 | 82.3 | 72.9 | 715 |
| Previously in union | 96.3 | 91.2 | 81.1 | 75.3 | 175 |
| Never in union | 98.3 | 91.4 | 83.8 | 79.6 | 1,882 |
| Education level (in years) ${ }^{\dagger}$ |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-9 | 96.0 | 89.7 | 82.9 | 79.0 | 685 |
| 10-12 | 98.9 | 87.6 | 83.9 | 77.3 | 1,943 |
| 13 or more | 100.0 | 95.5 | 75.4 | 74.0 | 130 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 97.1 | 89.9 | 82.6 | 77.1 | 631 |
| Second | 97.7 | 86.9 | 84.9 | 78.0 | 618 |
| Middle | 98.1 | 86.8 | 81.1 | 74.1 | 512 |
| Fourth | 99.5 | 89.9 | 80.7 | 78.1 | 538 |
| Highest | 98.8 | 89.3 | 87.1 | 80.9 | 473 |
| Lifetime sexual partners |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0 | 98.0 | 92.8 | 86.3 | 83.0 | 712 |
| 1 | 96.5 | 89.9 | 86.7 | 79.0 | 243 |
| 2-3 | 98.3 | 90.2 | 81.5 | 76.7 | 421 |
| 4 or more | 98.7 | 86.3 | 82.7 | 76.0 | 1,280 |
| No response/refused | 97.9 | 79.6 | 72.0 | 64.3 | 116 |

[^105]| Table 14.1.4A <br> Percentage of Women Aged 15-49 Years Who Correctly Reject Common Misconceptions about HIV Transmission by Selected Characteristics <br> Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Characteristic | Through Hugging or Shaking Hands | Working Together | Sharing Utensils | Sharing Toilets | Through Mosquito Bites | Reject All Five | No. of Cases* |
| Total | 98.5 | 97.8 | 94.7 | 90.8 | 81.0 | 75.7 | 8,254 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 99.3 | 98.9 | 97.6 | 95.4 | 87.4 | 84.1 | 1,198 |
| Other urban | 98.3 | 97.5 | 94.6 | 90.0 | 79.5 | 73.8 | 2,283 |
| Rural | 98.3 | 97.6 | 93.6 | 89.2 | 79.2 | 73.3 | 4,773 |
| Health region |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 98.9 | 98.1 | 95.9 | 92.2 | 82.3 | 78.1 | 2,339 |
| 2 | 98.7 | 97.9 | 95.7 | 93.2 | 86.4 | 82.4 | 1,759 |
| 3 | 98.1 | 98.0 | 96.9 | 92.7 | 84.9 | 79.7 | 2,311 |
| 4 | 98.0 | 97.1 | 89.6 | 84.2 | 70.9 | 62.6 | 1,845 |
| Parish |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston | 99.4 | 97.3 | 95.2 | 89.4 | 86.5 | 78.3 | 644 |
| St. Andrew | 99.4 | 99.4 | 98.4 | 96.8 | 88.5 | 86.6 | 636 |
| St. Thomas | 98.7 | 97.9 | 97.0 | 87.1 | 80.8 | 72.3 | 504 |
| Portland | 99.1 | 98.3 | 95.0 | 87.2 | 80.6 | 74.4 | 516 |
| St. Mary | 98.7 | 98.0 | 95.7 | 94.2 | 88.9 | 85.6 | 542 |
| St. Ann | 98.4 | 97.6 | 96.0 | 94.9 | 87.0 | 83.3 | 701 |
| Trelawny | 95.2 | 95.4 | 95.2 | 90.1 | 82.3 | 73.9 | 516 |
| St. James | 98.1 | 98.2 | 96.3 | 89.3 | 76.3 | 68.7 | 635 |
| Hanover | 99.1 | 99.0 | 97.5 | 95.6 | 92.3 | 90.1 | 540 |
| Westmoreland | 99.1 | 98.5 | 98.1 | 96.8 | 92.9 | 90.8 | 620 |
| St. Elizabeth | 99.3 | 97.6 | 93.5 | 85.0 | 70.5 | 63.4 | 528 |
| Manchester | 97.5 | 97.1 | 89.8 | 87.1 | 73.7 | 66.1 | 668 |
| Clarendon | 97.6 | 96.7 | 86.6 | 81.1 | 68.6 | 58.9 | 649 |
| St. Catherine | 98.4 | 97.1 | 93.6 | 89.1 | 75.9 | 70.8 | 555 |
| Age group |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 98.1 | 97.3 | 92.5 | 88.1 | 80.1 | 72.3 | 1,229 |
| 20-24 | 99.1 | 98.5 | 95.5 | 92.7 | 81.0 | 77.4 | 1,113 |
| 25-29 | 98.8 | 97.2 | 94.6 | 89.8 | 82.0 | 76.5 | 1,349 |
| 30-34 | 98.4 | 97.9 | 95.1 | 91.0 | 81.7 | 76.8 | 1,218 |
| 35-39 | 98.7 | 98.7 | 97.2 | 94.1 | 81.5 | 77.1 | 1,220 |
| 40-44 | 97.9 | 97.7 | 94.8 | 89.5 | 79.0 | 74.4 | 1,083 |
| 45-49 | 98.6 | 97.6 | 93.7 | 90.6 | 81.4 | 75.9 | 1,042 |
| Current relationship status |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Married | 98.8 | 98.4 | 94.7 | 91.6 | 81.2 | 76.5 | 1,440 |
| Common law union | 98.5 | 98.6 | 95.6 | 90.9 | 80.2 | 74.8 | 2,158 |
| Visiting relationship | 98.9 | 98.3 | 95.2 | 91.6 | 82.2 | 76.9 | 2,276 |
| Boyfriend with sex | 99.4 | 96.6 | 95.9 | 88.5 | 80.2 | 73.6 | 281 |
| Boyfriend without sex | 99.5 | 98.6 | 95.8 | 90.2 | 74.6 | 67.6 | 197 |
| No steady relationship | 97.7 | 96.3 | 93.2 | 89.6 | 80.9 | 75.9 | 1,902 |
| Marital status |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| In union | 98.7 | 98.4 | 95.2 | 91.4 | 81.3 | 76.1 | 5,874 |
| Previously in union | 97.7 | 95.7 | 93.9 | 89.6 | 79.2 | 74.7 | 1,344 |
| Never in union | 98.5 | 97.5 | 93.6 | 89.3 | 81.3 | 75.1 | 1,036 |
| Education level (in years) ${ }^{\dagger}$ ( $\quad$ ( ${ }^{\text {( }}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-9 | 97.5 | 96.5 | 91.8 | 88.4 | 74.8 | 68.6 | 2,181 |
| 10-12 | 98.8 | 98.1 | 95.7 | 91.4 | 82.1 | 77.2 | 5,076 |
| 13 or more | 99.1 | 98.6 | 95.4 | 91.8 | 85.8 | 80.6 | 994 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 97.8 | 95.8 | 91.0 | 87.5 | 74.0 | 68.4 | 1,998 |
| Second | 97.8 | 97.4 | 94.1 | 88.4 | 78.6 | 72.6 | 1,715 |
| Middle | 98.9 | 98.3 | 95.5 | 90.9 | 83.4 | 77.3 | 1,668 |
| Fourth | 98.9 | 98.6 | 97.0 | 93.3 | 83.7 | 78.9 | 1,650 |
| Highest | 99.2 | 99.1 | 96.2 | 93.8 | 85.1 | 81.3 | 1,223 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0 | 98.4 | 97.6 | 93.9 | 89.9 | 80.6 | 75.1 | 816 |
| 1 | 98.5 | 98.0 | 94.2 | 91.6 | 84.6 | 80.1 | 1,424 |
| 2-3 | 98.6 | 98.1 | 95.6 | 92.2 | 81.7 | 77.2 | 3,213 |
| 4 or more | 98.5 | 97.1 | 93.9 | 89.0 | 76.9 | 70.8 | 2,352 |
| No response/refused | 98.4 | 99.2 | 96.6 | 89.0 | 84.7 | 76.0 | 449 |

[^106]| Table 14.1.4B <br> Percentage of Men Aged 15-24 Years Who Correctly Reject Common Misconceptions about HIV Transmission by Selected Characteristics <br> Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Characteristic | Through Hugging or Shaking Hands | Working Together | Sharing Utensils | Sharing Toilets | Through Mosquito Bites | Reject All Five | $\begin{aligned} & \text { No. of } \\ & \text { Cases } \end{aligned}$ |
| Total | 96.9 | 96.1 | 89.9 | 86.9 | 73.1 | 67.0 | 2,772 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 96.8 | 97.0 | 90.4 | 87.8 | 78.6 | 72.2 | 380 |
| Other urban | 97.9 | 96.6 | 90.1 | 88.6 | 75.8 | 68.8 | 759 |
| Rural | 96.4 | 95.5 | 89.6 | 85.6 | 69.8 | 64.4 | 1,633 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2 | 96.8 | 96.1 | 92.1 | 90.5 | 76.3 | 70.1 | 551 |
| 3 | 97.5 | 96.4 | 92.0 | 90.5 | 81.4 | 77.8 | 774 |
| 4 | 96.9 | 94.8 | 88.4 | 83.2 | 58.8 | 53.8 | 658 |
| Age group |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 97.0 | 96.0 | 89.9 | 86.6 | 71.6 | 64.9 | 1,650 |
| 20-24 | 96.8 | 96.3 | 89.9 | 87.3 | 75.2 | 70.1 | 1,122 |
| Current relationship status |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Married/common law union | 98.8 | 95.8 | 93.6 | 90.2 | 74.5 | 70.5 | 162 |
| Visiting relationship | 97.0 | 97.2 | 88.4 | 87.1 | 79.3 | 72.0 | 553 |
| Girlfriend with sex | 97.3 | 97.4 | 93.0 | 88.0 | 74.6 | 69.7 | 829 |
| Girlfriend without sex | 98.4 | 97.9 | 90.8 | 87.7 | 71.0 | 62.3 | 409 |
| No steady relationship | 95.3 | 92.9 | 86.4 | 84.5 | 67.9 | 62.5 | 819 |
| Marital status |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| In union | 97.4 | 96.9 | 89.5 | 87.8 | 78.3 | 71.7 | 715 |
| Previously in union | 93.7 | 93.8 | 83.9 | 79.1 | 68.2 | 56.4 | 175 |
| Never in union | 97.1 | 96.0 | 90.6 | 87.3 | 71.6 | 66.2 | 1,882 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-9 | 95.9 | 94.4 | 85.8 | 83.7 | 62.7 | 56.6 | 685 |
| 10-12 | 97.4 | 96.8 | 91.1 | 88.2 | 75.8 | 69.8 | 1,943 |
| 13 or more | 97.0 | 95.6 | 93.5 | 86.3 | 86.6 | 79.4 | 130 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 96.5 | 95.3 | 87.3 | 83.4 | 65.3 | 58.9 | 631 |
| Second | 96.0 | 94.4 | 87.8 | 81.5 | 70.0 | 62.2 | 618 |
| Middle | 95.3 | 95.4 | 90.2 | 86.5 | 73.1 | 66.1 | 512 |
| Fourth | 98.3 | 97.3 | 93.9 | 92.2 | 82.0 | 77.9 | 538 |
| Highest | 98.7 | 98.3 | 90.2 | 91.1 | 75.3 | 70.3 | 473 |
| Lifetime sexual partners |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0 | 96.7 | 94.3 | 91.4 | 88.5 | 71.0 | 65.4 | 712 |
| 1 | 97.3 | 94.4 | 87.7 | 85.9 | 70.9 | 63.1 | 243 |
| 2-3 | 96.6 | 96.2 | 90.7 | 86.5 | 75.6 | 70.2 | 421 |
| 4 or more | 96.9 | 97.2 | 89.0 | 86.0 | 73.8 | 67.5 | 1,280 |
| No response/refused | 99.2 | 97.2 | 91.2 | 89.7 | 73.1 | 67.0 | 116 |

[^107]| Table 14.2.1A <br> Knowledge about Where HIV-Testing Is Provided and Experience of HIV-Testing* among All Women Aged 15-49 Years, by Selected Characteristics Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Characteristic | Know Where HIV <br> Testing is Provided | Tested and Received Results | Tested and Received Results (Past 12 Months) | No. of Cases ${ }^{\ddagger}$ | Tested and Received Results (During Antenatal Care ${ }^{\dagger}$ ) | No. of Cases ${ }^{\ddagger}$ |
| Total | 95.3 | 60.0 | 26.0 | 8,254 | 91.3 | 1,676 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 94.8 | 64.4 | 35.5 | 1,198 | 93.9 | 196 |
| Other urban | 96.5 | 63.2 | 27.2 | 2,283 | 91.8 | 425 |
| Rural | 94.9 | 57.4 | 23.0 | 4,773 | 90.7 | 1,055 |
| Health region |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 94.1 | 60.3 | 30.4 | 2,339 | 90.8 | 425 |
| 2 | 94.9 | 60.8 | 26.6 | 1,759 | 92.4 | 367 |
| 3 | 97.6 | 60.1 | 22.7 | 2,311 | 89.9 | 447 |
| 4 | 94.4 | 58.6 | 24.0 | 1,845 | 92.4 | 437 |
| Parish |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston | 95.5 | 66.9 | 39.1 | 644 | 93.2 | 118 |
| St. Andrew | 93.6 | 62.3 | 30.2 | 636 | 95.8 | 95 |
| St. Thomas | 94.4 | 54.4 | 25.6 | 504 | 86.6 | 119 |
| Portland | 96.3 | 58.9 | 28.9 | 516 | 87.4 | 95 |
| St. Mary | 93.2 | 62.4 | 20.1 | 542 | 92.3 | 117 |
| St. Ann | 95.3 | 60.9 | 30.0 | 701 | 95.5 | 155 |
| Trelawny | 95.7 | 54.5 | 25.2 | 516 | 86.7 | 105 |
| St. James | 98.1 | 65.0 | 28.8 | 635 | 93.7 | 126 |
| Hanover | 98.1 | 58.0 | 18.1 | 540 | 89.8 | 98 |
| Westmoreland | 98.1 | 61.8 | 18.2 | 620 | 89.0 | 118 |
| St. Elizabeth | 93.2 | 55.9 | 21.8 | 528 | 87.3 | 126 |
| Manchester | 96.6 | 57.2 | 23.4 | 668 | 95.4 | 152 |
| Clarendon | 93.1 | 62.2 | 26.3 | 649 | 93.7 | 159 |
| St. Catherine | 93.0 | 55.9 | 25.0 | 555 | 88.2 | 93 |
| Age group |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 89.8 | 22.1 | 15.1 | 1,229 | 91.2 | 159 |
| 20-24 | 97.3 | 70.4 | 37.8 | 1,113 | 93.0 | 428 |
| 25-29 | 97.8 | 77.1 | 35.1 | 1,349 | 92.5 | 424 |
| 30-34 | 96.7 | 73.2 | 31.2 | 1,218 | 91.3 | 310 |
| 35-39 | 96.2 | 70.0 | 27.0 | 1,220 | 89.5 | 237 |
| 40-44 | 95.3 | 58.2 | 19.0 | 1,083 | 85.1 | 94 |
| 45-49 | 93.9 | 46.2 | 14.4 | 1,042 | § | 24 |
| Marital status |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| In union | 96.3 | 68.7 | 30.3 | 5,874 | 91.5 | 1,473 |
| Previously in union | 95.4 | 60.8 | 23.1 | 1,344 | 90.6 | 192 |
| Never in union | 89.8 | 9.7 | 5.7 | 1,036 | § | 11 |
| Education level (in years) ${ }^{\text {I }}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-9 | 92.8 | 51.9 | 20.3 | 2,181 | 86.0 | 420 |
| 10-12 | 95.9 | 61.0 | 26.9 | 5,076 | 92.8 | 1,088 |
| 13 or more | 97.9 | 72.7 | 34.1 | 994 | 95.2 | 168 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 93.1 | 57.9 | 23.7 | 1,998 | 86.2 | 600 |
| Second | 95.4 | 58.6 | 24.8 | 1,715 | 92.6 | 366 |
| Middle | 95.6 | 61.0 | 28.1 | 1,668 | 96.0 | 329 |
| Fourth | 96.7 | 60.1 | 26.5 | 1,650 | 94.0 | 218 |
| Highest | 96.6 | 63.9 | 28.0 | 1,223 | 94.5 | 163 |
| Lifetime sexual partners |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0 | 88.6 | 4.5 | 2.6 | 816 | § | 0 |
| 1 | 94.2 | 57.4 | 23.8 | 1,424 | 91.3 | 289 |
| 2-3 | 96.4 | 67.5 | 29.5 | 3,213 | 91.3 | 757 |
| 4 or more | 96.7 | 69.3 | 31.4 | 2,352 | 91.9 | 554 |
| No response/refused | 96.0 | 66.6 | 22.3 | 449 | 88.2 | 76 |

[^108]| Table 14.2.1B <br> Knowledge about Where HIV-Testing Is Provided and Experience of HIV-Testing* among All Men Aged 15-24 Years by Selected Characteristics Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Characteristic | Know Where HIVTesting is Provided | Tested and Received Results | Tested and Received Results (Past 12 Months) | No. of Cases ${ }^{\dagger}$ |
| Total | 85.4 | 14.9 | 8.2 | 2,772 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 81.6 | 20.3 | 11.8 | 380 |
| Other urban | 88.5 | 18.2 | 9.9 | 759 |
| Rural | 84.9 | 12.1 | 6.6 | 1,633 |
| Health region |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 83.0 | 16.6 | 10.3 | 789 |
| 2 | 86.0 | 16.3 | 9.3 | 551 |
| 3 | 91.5 | 16.7 | 7.8 | 774 |
| 4 | 80.7 | 9.4 | 5.3 | 658 |
| Age group |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 81.0 | 7.5 | 4.4 | 1,650 |
| 20-24 | 91.9 | 25.8 | 13.7 | 1,122 |
| Current relationship status |  |  |  |  |
| Married/common law union | 93.8 | 35.2 | 20.4 | 162 |
| Visiting relationship | 93.7 | 26.6 | 15.7 | 553 |
| Girlfriend with sex | 88.4 | 15.2 | 7.7 | 829 |
| Girlfriend without sex | 78.5 | 8.1 | 4.2 | 409 |
| No steady relationship | 78.6 | 6.0 | 3.2 | 819 |
| Marital status |  |  |  |  |
| In union | 93.7 | 28.5 | 16.8 | 715 |
| Previously in union | 88.0 | 18.3 | 9.1 | 175 |
| Never in union | 82.0 | 9.4 | 4.8 | 1,882 |
| Education level (in years) ${ }^{\ddagger}$ |  |  |  |  |
| 0-9 | 74.5 | 6.7 | 3.6 | 685 |
| 10-12 | 88.8 | 17.4 | 9.4 | 1,943 |
| 13 or more | 93.1 | 20.8 | 14.6 | 130 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 82.3 | 10.1 | 6.5 | 631 |
| Second | 84.6 | 12.3 | 7.6 | 618 |
| Middle | 87.5 | 17.2 | 8.6 | 512 |
| Fourth | 87.2 | 17.1 | 8.9 | 538 |
| Highest | 86.5 | 19.5 | 9.9 | 473 |
| Lifetime sexual partners |  |  |  |  |
| 0 | 75.6 | 2.5 | 1.3 | 712 |
| 1 | 81.9 | 10.7 | 5.3 | 243 |
| 2-3 | 85.7 | 15.0 | 10.7 | 421 |
| 4 or more | 90.8 | 20.9 | 11.1 | 1,280 |
| No response/refused | 93.1 | 32.8 | 15.5 | 116 |

[^109]| Table 14.2.2 <br> Place of the Last HIV Test among Women Aged 15-49 Years Who Have Ever Been Tested by Selected Characteristics <br> Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Characteristic | Government Hospital/ Clinic | Place <br> Private <br> Hospital/ <br> Clinic/ Lab | the Last HIV Test <br> STD Centre/ Non-Profit/ <br> Non-Governmental Organization | Other/Does Not Remember | Total | No. of Cases* |
| Total | 55.3 | 36.3 | 5.3 | 3.2 | 100.0 | 5,239 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 47.3 | 36.8 | 12.8 | 3.1 | 100.0 | 799 |
| Other urban | 49.9 | 43.2 | 3.3 | 3.6 | 100.0 | 1,531 |
| Rural | 64.3 | 29.7 | 3.2 | 2.8 | 100.0 | 2,909 |
| Health region |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 49.1 | 40.2 | 8.0 | 2.7 | 100.0 | 1,500 |
| 2 | 62.5 | 32.4 | 3.1 | 2.0 | 100.0 | 1,120 |
| 3 | 60.7 | 31.9 | 3.7 | 3.6 | 100.0 | 1,471 |
| 4 | 59.3 | 34.4 | 1.9 | 4.3 | 100.0 | 1,148 |
| Parish |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston | 59.8 | 30.7 | 6.6 | 3.0 | 100.0 | 448 |
| St. Andrew | 47.3 | 36.3 | 13.3 | 3.1 | 100.0 | 409 |
| St. Thomas | 73.0 | 16.9 | 7.8 | 2.3 | 100.0 | 305 |
| Portland | 69.3 | 22.5 | 5.5 | 2.7 | 100.0 | 326 |
| St. Mary | 57.9 | 37.5 | 1.5 | 3.1 | 100.0 | 349 |
| St. Ann | 63.2 | 32.7 | 3.3 | 0.8 | 100.0 | 445 |
| Trelawny | 66.5 | 25.4 | 5.3 | 2.8 | 100.0 | 299 |
| St. James | 61.5 | 29.6 | 6.0 | 2.9 | 100.0 | 440 |
| Hanover | 74.0 | 19.0 | 0.4 | 6.6 | 100.0 | 331 |
| Westmoreland | 50.9 | 44.0 | 1.5 | 3.6 | 100.0 | 401 |
| St. Elizabeth | 61.3 | 33.8 | 0.8 | 4.1 | 100.0 | 317 |
| Manchester | 58.2 | 32.9 | 2.8 | 6.1 | 100.0 | 403 |
| Clarendon | 58.9 | 36.1 | 1.9 | 3.1 | 100.0 | 428 |
| St. Catherine | 45.0 | 49.6 | 3.0 | 2.3 | 100.0 | 338 |
| Age group |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 62.8 | 22.8 | 6.1 | 8.3 | 100.0 | 295 |
| 20-24 | 61.5 | 29.8 | 4.8 | 4.0 | 100.0 | 826 |
| 25-29 | 56.4 | 36.2 | 5.7 | 1.8 | 100.0 | 1,094 |
| 30-34 | 54.1 | 39.5 | 4.2 | 2.2 | 100.0 | 937 |
| 35-39 | 52.8 | 37.6 | 7.0 | 2.6 | 100.0 | 907 |
| 40-44 | 48.9 | 43.1 | 4.4 | 3.6 | 100.0 | 668 |
| 45-49 | 49.6 | 43.0 | 4.3 | 3.1 | 100.0 | 512 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Married/ Common law union | 55.7 | 35.8 | 5.8 | 2.7 | 100.0 | 2,604 |
| Visiting relationship | 58.2 | 33.6 | 4.4 | 3.8 | 100.0 | 1,664 |
| Boyfriend with sex | 47.1 | 37.8 | 10.9 | 4.3 | 100.0 | 125 |
| Boyfriend without sex/ No steady relationship Marital status | 49.1 | 43.3 | 4.8 | 2.8 | 100.0 | 846 |
| In union | 56.8 | 34.8 | 5.2 | 3.2 | 100.0 | 4,268 |
| Previously in union | 51.5 | 41.6 | 4.8 | 2.1 | 100.0 | 854 |
| Never in union | 33.4 | 48.8 | 9.6 | 8.3 | 100.0 | 117 |
| Education level (in years) ${ }^{\dagger}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-9 | 74.3 | 19.7 | 2.6 | 3.4 | 100.0 | 1,227 |
| 10-12 | 56.6 | 35.0 | 5.9 | 2.5 | 100.0 | 3,255 |
| 13 or more | 26.7 | 62.1 | 5.8 | 5.3 | 100.0 | 756 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 78.5 | 14.5 | 2.6 | 4.3 | 100.0 | 1,263 |
| Second | 73.5 | 19.9 | 4.4 | 2.2 | 100.0 | 1,066 |
| Middle | 55.7 | 36.6 | 5.6 | 2.0 | 100.0 | 1,073 |
| Fourth | 41.6 | 47.7 | 5.8 | 5.0 | 100.0 | 1,031 |
| Highest | 27.3 | 62.7 | 7.8 | 2.2 | 100.0 | 806 |
| Lifetime sexual partners |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0 | 31.1 | 52.6 | 9.9 | 6.5 | 100.0 | 46 |
| 1 | 50.9 | 41.9 | 4.0 | 3.2 | 100.0 | 857 |
| 2-3 | 56.1 | 35.2 | 5.6 | 3.1 | 100.0 | 2,288 |
| 4 or more | 57.4 | 33.9 | 5.6 | 3.0 | 100.0 | 1,730 |
| No response/refused | 56.5 | 36.9 | 3.0 | 3.6 | 100.0 | 318 |

* Excludes 4 womenwho have never heard of HIV/AIDS.
$\dagger$ Excludes 1 woman with missing information.

| Table 14.2.3A <br> Willingness to Be HIV-Tested among Sexually Experienced Women Aged 15-49 Years Who Have Never Been Tested by Selected Characteristics Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Characteristic | Willingness to be HIV-Tested |  |  | Total | No. of Cases ${ }^{*}$ |
|  | Yes | No | Not Sure |  |  |
| Total | 71.1 | 17.4 | 11.5 | 100.0 | 2,245 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 73.2 | 16.4 | 10.4 | 100.0 | 245 |
| Other urban | 63.8 | 21.0 | 15.2 | 100.0 | 586 |
| Rural | 75.8 | 15.0 | 9.2 | 100.0 | 1,414 |
| Health region |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 67.9 | 16.7 | 15.4 | 100.0 | 589 |
| 2 | 73.7 | 18.8 | 7.5 | 100.0 | 490 |
| 3 | 70.1 | 18.9 | 11.0 | 100.0 | 603 |
| 4 | 76.3 | 16.7 | 7.0 | 100.0 | 563 |
| Age group |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 77.1 | 14.2 | 8.8 | 100.0 | 289 |
| 20-24 | 67.3 | 18.1 | 14.6 | 100.0 | 234 |
| 25-29 | 73.0 | 12.0 | 15.0 | 100.0 | 233 |
| 30-34 | 74.2 | 13.9 | 11.9 | 100.0 | 266 |
| 35-39 | 81.5 | 11.0 | 7.6 | 100.0 | 307 |
| 40-44 | 69.8 | 21.2 | 9.0 | 100.0 | 405 |
| 45-49 | 56.9 | 28.7 | 14.4 | 100.0 | 511 |
| Current relationship status |  |  |  |  |  |
| Married/ Common law union | 72.7 | 16.5 | 10.9 | 100.0 | 994 |
| Visiting relationship | 73.4 | 13.3 | 13.3 | 100.0 | 612 |
| Boyfriend with sex | 73.8 | 20.6 | 5.6 | 100.0 | 155 |
| Boyfriend without sex/ No steady relationship | 64.0 | 23.8 | 12.1 | 100.0 | 484 |
| Marital status |  |  |  |  |  |
| In union | 73.0 | 15.0 | 12.0 | 100.0 | 1,606 |
| Previously in union | 67.9 | 22.3 | 9.9 | 100.0 | 490 |
| Never in union | 63.0 | 25.1 | 11.9 | 100.0 | 149 |
| Education level (in years) ${ }^{\dagger}$ |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-9 | 73.8 | 16.5 | 9.7 | 100.0 | 722 |
| 10-12 | 72.7 | 16.3 | 11.0 | 100.0 | 1,342 |
| 13 or more | 54.4 | 26.0 | 19.7 | 100.0 | 179 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 73.6 | 17.5 | 8.9 | 100.0 | 605 |
| Second | 77.2 | 14.4 | 8.4 | 100.0 | 516 |
| Middle | 73.8 | 15.2 | 10.9 | 100.0 | 436 |
| Fourth | 72.0 | 16.4 | 11.6 | 100.0 | 426 |
| Highest | 56.4 | 24.1 | 19.5 | 100.0 | 262 |
| Lifetime sexual partners |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 69.6 | 20.4 | 9.9 | 100.0 | 567 |
| 2-3 | 70.1 | 17.3 | 12.6 | 100.0 | 925 |
| 4 or more | 75.4 | 14.8 | 9.7 | 100.0 | 622 |
| No response/refused | 64.9 | 14.2 | 20.9 | 100.0 | 131 |

[^110]| Table 14.2.3B <br> Willingness to Be HIV-Tested among Sexually Experienced Men Aged 15-24 Years Who Have Never Been Tested by Selected Characteristics Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Characteristic | Willingness to be HIV-Tested |  |  | Total | No. of Cases* |
|  | Yes | No | Not Sure |  |  |
| Total | 73.8 | 16.8 | 9.4 | 100.0 | 1,644 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Other urban | 78.2 | 13.7 | 8.1 | 100.0 | 435 |
| Rural | 76.0 | 14.9 | 9.1 | 100.0 | 965 |
| Health region |  |  |  |  |  |
| $1$ | 66.6 | 22.4 | 11.0 | 100.0 | 489 |
| 2 | 83.1 | 11.7 | 5.1 | 100.0 | 326 |
| 3 | 70.8 | 18.2 | 11.0 | 100.0 | 407 |
| 4 | 81.7 | 10.2 | 8.1 | 100.0 | 422 |
| Age group |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 74.9 | 16.7 | 8.4 | 100.0 | 883 |
| 20-24 | 72.4 | 16.9 | 10.7 | 100.0 | 761 |
| Current relationship status |  |  |  |  |  |
| Married/common law union | 78.8 | 9.8 | 11.4 | 100.0 | 103 |
| Visiting relationship | 75.7 | 11.4 | 12.9 | 100.0 | 398 |
| Girlfriend with sex | 73.5 | 18.3 | 8.2 | 100.0 | 691 |
| Girlfriend without sex | 71.0 | 21.6 | 7.4 | 100.0 | 178 |
| No steady relationship | 72.1 | 19.6 | 8.3 | 100.0 | 274 |
| Marital status |  |  |  |  |  |
| In union | 76.2 | 11.2 | 12.6 | 100.0 | 501 |
| Previously in union | 67.5 | 24.5 | 8.0 | 100.0 | 140 |
| Never in union | 73.5 | 18.4 | 8.1 | 100.0 | 1,003 |
| Education level (in years) ${ }^{\dagger}$ |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-9 | 74.4 | 17.7 | 7.9 | 100.0 | 328 |
| 10-12 | 73.6 | 16.0 | 10.4 | 100.0 | 1,219 |
| 13 or more | 72.7 | 24.2 | 3.2 | 100.0 | 90 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 78.5 | 16.0 | 5.5 | 100.0 | 392 |
| Second | 73.7 | 17.9 | 8.4 | 100.0 | 354 |
| Middle | 76.1 | 14.0 | 9.9 | 100.0 | 300 |
| Fourth | 68.4 | 19.9 | 11.7 | 100.0 | 319 |
| Highest | 71.4 | 16.4 | 12.3 | 100.0 | 279 |
| Lifetime sexual partners |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 65.8 | 25.7 | 8.5 | 100.0 | 214 |
| 2-3 | 72.4 | 15.7 | 11.9 | 100.0 | 356 |
| 4 or more | 74.8 | 16.5 | 8.8 | 100.0 | 998 |
| No response/refused | 85.6 | 6.1 | 8.3 | 100.0 | 76 |

[^111]| Table 14.3.1A <br> Self-Preceived Risk of HIV Infection among Women Aged 15-49 Years by Selected Characteristics <br> Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Self-Perceived Risk of HIV Transmission |  |  |  |  |  | Total | No. of Cases |
| Characteristic | Great Risk | Moderate Risk | Little Risk | No Risk at All | Does Not Know |  |  |
| Total | 5.9 | 8.1 | 27.6 | 55.9 | 2.3 | 100.0 | 8,254 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 7.2 | 10.6 | 24.0 | 57.6 | 0.7 | 100.0 | 1,198 |
| Other urban | 5.2 | 7.7 | 30.4 | 53.7 | 3.0 | 100.0 | 2,283 |
| Rural | 6.0 | 7.4 | 27.0 | 57.1 | 2.5 | 100.0 | 4,773 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 6.2 | 8.7 | 25.8 | 57.7 | 1.6 | 100.0 | 2,339 |
| 2 | 6.6 | 7.1 | 23.4 | 59.5 | 3.5 | 100.0 | 1,759 |
| 3 | 4.0 | 7.6 | 35.5 | 51.6 | 1.3 | 100.0 | 2,311 |
|  | 6.9 | 8.0 | 26.7 | 54.3 | 4.2 | 100.0 | 1,845 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston | 11.6 | 13.5 | 22.2 | 51.2 | 1.5 | 100.0 | 644 |
| St. Andrew | 5.6 | 9.4 | 23.0 | 61.6 | 0.5 | 100.0 | 636 |
| St. Thomas | 8.5 | 7.9 | 34.6 | 43.6 | 5.5 | 100.0 | 504 |
| Portland | 7.0 | 8.7 | 31.1 | 49.5 | 3.7 | 100.0 | 516 |
| St. Mary | 8.3 | 4.7 | 16.1 | 64.1 | 6.8 | 100.0 | 542 |
| St. Ann | 5.0 | 8.2 | 25.7 | 60.2 | 0.8 | 100.0 | 701 |
| Trelawny | 3.9 | 7.4 | 31.8 | 55.5 | 1.3 | 100.0 | 516 |
| St. James | 3.8 | 7.9 | 38.4 | 48.3 | 1.7 | 100.0 | 635 |
| Hanover | 2.0 | 4.8 | 42.0 | 50.7 | 0.6 | 100.0 | 540 |
| Westmoreland | 5.2 | 8.8 | 31.0 | 53.9 | 1.1 | 100.0 | 620 |
| St. Elizabeth | 5.2 | 7.3 | 23.8 | 60.0 | 3.8 | 100.0 | 528 |
| Manchester | 7.0 | 8.7 | 27.7 | 51.9 | 4.8 | 100.0 | 668 |
| Clarendon | 8.1 | 7.8 | 27.9 | 52.3 | 4.0 | 100.0 | 649 |
| St. Catherine | 5.5 | 7.4 | 27.8 | 57.1 | 2.1 | 100.0 | 555 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 2.0 | 3.3 | 14.4 | 78.3 | 1.9 | 100.0 | 1,229 |
| 20-24 | 5.1 | 9.9 | 33.4 | 49.7 | 1.9 | 100.0 | 1,113 |
| 25-29 | 8.2 | 11.5 | 37.5 | 40.4 | 2.4 | 100.0 | 1,349 |
| 30-34 | 7.8 | 10.4 | 34.0 | 44.9 | 2.9 | 100.0 | 1,218 |
| 35-39 | 8.5 | 9.4 | 27.8 | 51.6 | 2.7 | 100.0 | 1,220 |
| 40-44 | 5.6 | 6.2 | 23.5 | 61.9 | 2.8 | 100.0 | 1,083 |
| 45-49 | 4.7 | 5.6 | 21.1 | 67.1 | 1.4 | 100.0 | 1,042 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Married | 4.1 | 7.2 | 31.9 | 54.4 | 2.3 | 100.0 | 1,440 |
| Common law union | 8.6 | 9.5 | 33.3 | 45.0 | 3.5 | 100.0 | 2,158 |
| Visiting relationship | 8.5 | 11.5 | 36.3 | 41.3 | 2.4 | 100.0 | 2,276 |
| Boyfriend with sex | 5.4 | 9.4 | 29.6 | 52.1 | 3.5 | 100.0 | 281 |
| Boyfriend without sex | 0.4 | 6.6 | 8.7 | 83.8 | 0.5 | 100.0 | 197 |
| No steady relationship | 2.3 | 3.2 | 11.2 | 82.2 | 1.1 | 100.0 | 1,902 |
| Marital status |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| In union | 7.6 | 9.9 | 34.4 | 45.4 | 2.8 | 100.0 | 5,874 |
| Previously in union | 3.3 | 5.9 | 17.2 | 72.3 | 1.3 | 100.0 | 1,344 |
| Never in union | 1.5 | 2.5 | 8.8 | 85.8 | 1.4 | 100.0 | 1,036 |
| Education level (in years) ${ }^{\dagger}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-9 | 8.8 | 5.4 | 22.5 | 60.5 | 2.8 | 100.0 | 2,181 |
| 10-12 | 5.2 | 8.1 | 28.6 | 55.9 | 2.2 | 100.0 | 5,076 |
| 13 or more | 4.7 | 12.7 | 31.8 | 48.7 | 2.0 | 100.0 | 994 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 8.4 | 6.1 | 28.2 | 54.4 | 2.8 | 100.0 | 1,998 |
| Second | 6.1 | 9.0 | 28.7 | 53.2 | 3.0 | 100.0 | 1,715 |
| Middle | 6.9 | 7.3 | 28.8 | 55.1 | 2.0 | 100.0 | 1,668 |
| Fourth | 5.3 | 8.8 | 26.9 | 57.1 | 1.9 | 100.0 | 1,650 |
| Highest | 3.0 | 9.6 | 25.7 | 59.8 | 1.9 | 100.0 | 1,223 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0 | 1.0 | 2.1 | 5.2 | 90.7 | 1.0 | 100.0 | 816 |
| 1 | 4.3 | 6.5 | 27.9 | 58.8 | 2.4 | 100.0 | 1,424 |
| 2-3 | 7.0 | 8.6 | 30.6 | 51.5 | 2.2 | 100.0 | 3,213 |
| 4 or more | 8.2 | 11.2 | 33.1 | 44.6 | 2.8 | 100.0 | 2,352 |
| No response/refused | 4.2 | 9.2 | 32.0 | 51.4 | 3.3 | 100.0 | 449 |

[^112]| Table 14.3.1B <br> Self-Preceived Risk of HIV Infection among Men Aged 15-24 Years by Selected Characteristics <br> Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Characteristic | Self-Perceived Risk of HIV Transmission |  |  |  |  |  | No. of Cases |
|  | Great Risk | Moderate Risk | Little Risk | No Risk at All | Does Not Know | Total |  |
| Total | 6.0 | 5.7 | 31.5 | 53.6 | 3.2 | 100.0 | 2,772 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 11.0 | 5.0 | 36.5 | 46.5 | 1.1 | 100.0 | 380 |
| Other urban | 5.3 | 6.3 | 32.2 | 53.2 | 3.1 | 100.0 | 759 |
| Rural | 4.8 | 5.6 | 29.7 | 56.0 | 3.9 | 100.0 | 1,633 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2 | 6.4 | 7.3 | 26.6 | 58.2 | 1.4 | 100.0 | 551 |
| 3 | 2.4 | 3.7 | 28.6 | 62.2 | 3.1 | 100.0 | 774 |
| 4 | 5.4 | 5.5 | 38.4 | 46.2 | 4.5 | 100.0 | 658 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 4.7 | 4.2 | 23.6 | 65.0 | 2.6 | 100.0 | 1,650 |
| 20-24 | 7.8 | 7.9 | 43.0 | 37.1 | 4.1 | 100.0 | 1,122 |
| Current relationship status |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Married/common law union | 2.9 | 3.4 | 42.7 | 47.0 | 4.0 | 100.0 | 162 |
| Visiting relationship | 11.5 | 7.8 | 41.8 | 35.1 | 3.8 | 100.0 | 553 |
| Girlfriend with sex | 7.3 | 6.4 | 43.2 | 39.9 | 3.2 | 100.0 | 829 |
| Girlfriend without sex | 4.0 | 5.4 | 19.8 | 68.6 | 2.2 | 100.0 | 409 |
| No steady relationship | 2.1 | 4.0 | 16.1 | 74.6 | 3.2 | 100.0 | 819 |
| Marital status |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| In union | 9.7 | 6.9 | 42.0 | 37.5 | 3.9 | 100.0 | 715 |
| Previously in union | 10.7 | 5.4 | 36.7 | 43.6 | 3.6 | 100.0 | 175 |
| Never in union | 4.0 | 5.3 | 27.0 | 60.8 | 2.9 | 100.0 | 1,882 |
| Education level (in years) ${ }^{\dagger}$ ( $\quad$ ( ${ }^{\dagger}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-9 | 4.5 | 3.0 | 19.6 | 68.1 | 4.8 | 100.0 | 685 |
| 10-12 | 6.8 | 5.9 | 34.4 | 50.2 | 2.7 | 100.0 | 1,943 |
| 13 or more | 2.5 | 14.7 | 47.1 | 33.9 | 1.8 | 100.0 | 130 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 5.1 | 5.4 | 27.7 | 57.3 | 4.5 | 100.0 | 631 |
| Second | 6.2 | 4.2 | 28.2 | 57.9 | 3.5 | 100.0 | 618 |
| Middle | 8.5 | 5.7 | 32.2 | 50.5 | 3.1 | 100.0 | 512 |
| Fourth | 5.7 | 6.1 | 35.1 | 50.9 | 2.2 | 100.0 | 538 |
| Highest | 4.2 | 7.3 | 34.8 | 51.3 | 2.5 | 100.0 | 473 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0 | 1.3 | 2.9 | 7.2 | 86.4 | 2.3 | 100.0 | 712 |
| 1 | 4.0 | 2.5 | 25.4 | 65.1 | 3.0 | 100.0 | 243 |
| 2-3 | 2.5 | 7.0 | 31.7 | 56.0 | 2.8 | 100.0 | 421 |
| 4 or more | 9.9 | 7.5 | 43.9 | 34.7 | 4.0 | 100.0 | 1,280 |
| No response/refused | 7.0 | 4.4 | 49.6 | 37.3 | 1.7 | 100.0 | 116 |

[^113]| Table 14.3.2ASelf-Preceived Risk of HIV Infection among Sexually Experienced Women Aged 15-49 Yearsby Selected CharacteristicsReproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Characteristic | Self-Perceived Risk of HIV Transmission |  |  |  |  | Total | No. of Cases |
|  | Great Risk | Moderate Risk | Little Risk | No Risk at All | Does Not Know |  |  |
| Total | 6.7 | 9.0 | 30.9 | 50.9 | 2.5 | 100.0 | 7,438 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 8.1 | 12.3 | 27.9 | 50.9 | 0.8 | 100.0 | 1,040 |
| Other urban | 5.7 | 8.1 | 33.2 | 49.7 | 3.2 | 100.0 | 2,100 |
| Rural | 6.8 | 8.3 | 30.3 | 52.0 | 2.6 | 100.0 | 4,298 |
| Health region |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 7.0 | 9.8 | 29.1 | 52.3 | 1.8 | 100.0 | 2,078 |
| 2 | 7.4 | 7.9 | 26.3 | 54.5 | 3.8 | 100.0 | 1,595 |
| 3 | 4.6 | 8.6 | 40.2 | 45.2 | 1.4 | 100.0 | 2,065 |
| 4 | 7.4 | 8.4 | 28.6 | 51.3 | 4.3 | 100.0 | 1,700 |
| Parish |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston | 13.3 | 15.2 | 24.9 | 44.8 | 1.8 | 100.0 | 568 |
| St. Andrew | 6.2 | 11.0 | 27.1 | 55.1 | 0.5 | 100.0 | 541 |
| St. Thomas | 9.4 | 8.7 | 37.3 | 38.6 | 6.0 | 100.0 | 466 |
| Portland | 7.8 | 9.8 | 33.4 | 45.4 | 3.6 | 100.0 | 474 |
| St. Mary | 9.5 | 5.4 | 18.5 | 58.8 | 7.8 | 100.0 | 485 |
| St. Ann | 5.6 | 9.1 | 29.2 | 55.2 | 0.9 | 100.0 | 636 |
| Trelawny | 4.3 | 8.3 | 35.3 | 50.7 | 1.4 | 100.0 | 474 |
| St. James | 4.2 | 8.7 | 42.6 | 42.8 | 1.7 | 100.0 | 579 |
| Hanover | 2.4 | 6.1 | 50.6 | 40.3 | 0.6 | 100.0 | 456 |
| Westmoreland | 6.0 | 9.8 | 35.6 | 47.3 | 1.2 | 100.0 | 556 |
| St. Elizabeth | 5.8 | 7.8 | 26.2 | 56.5 | 3.8 | 100.0 | 483 |
| Manchester | 7.2 | 9.3 | 29.5 | 49.2 | 4.8 | 100.0 | 608 |
| Clarendon | 8.7 | 8.0 | 29.4 | 49.6 | 4.3 | 100.0 | 609 |
| St. Catherine | 6.3 | 7.9 | 30.6 | 53.0 | 2.2 | 100.0 | 503 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 3.4 | 6.1 | 27.5 | 59.6 | 3.3 | 100.0 | 557 |
| 20-24 | 5.5 | 10.0 | 35.7 | 46.9 | 1.8 | 100.0 | 1,056 |
| 25-29 | 8.5 | 11.5 | 38.2 | 39.4 | 2.5 | 100.0 | 1,322 |
| 30-34 | 7.8 | 10.5 | 34.3 | 44.5 | 2.9 | 100.0 | 1,202 |
| 35-39 | 8.5 | 9.5 | 28.0 | 51.4 | 2.7 | 100.0 | 1,210 |
| 40-44 | 5.7 | 6.3 | 23.4 | 61.9 | 2.8 | 100.0 | 1,070 |
| 45-49 | 4.7 | 5.8 | 21.3 | 66.8 | 1.5 | 100.0 | 1,021 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Married/common law union | 6.8 | 8.6 | 32.8 | 48.7 | 3.0 | 100.0 | 3,598 |
| Visiting relationship | 8.5 | 11.5 | 36.3 | 41.3 | 2.4 | 100.0 | 2,276 |
| Boyfriend with sex | 5.4 | 9.4 | 29.7 | 52.0 | 3.6 | 100.0 | 280 |
| Boyfriend without sex or no steady relationship Marital status | 2.9 | 4.9 | 15.7 | 75.5 | 1.1 | 100.0 | 1,284 |
| In union | 7.6 | 9.9 | 34.4 | 45.4 | 2.8 | 100.0 | 5,874 |
| Previously in union | 3.3 | 5.9 | 17.2 | 72.3 | 1.3 | 100.0 | 1,344 |
| Never in union | 4.0 | 4.4 | 24.6 | 64.1 | 2.9 | 100.0 | 220 |
| Education level (in years) ${ }^{\dagger}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $0-9$ | 10.1 | 6.3 | 25.8 | 54.8 | 3.1 | 100.0 | 1,944 |
| 10-12 | 5.8 | 8.9 | 32.0 | 50.9 | 2.4 | 100.0 | 4,571 |
| 13 or more | 5.1 | 13.8 | 34.1 | 45.2 | 1.9 | 100.0 | 920 |
| Wealth quintile | 9.0 | 6.0 | 30.5 | 51.5 | 3.0 | 100.0 | 1,858 |
| Lowest |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Second | 6.6 | 10.0 | 31.4 | 48.9 | 3.1 | 100.0 | 1,578 |
| Middle | 7.5 | 8.3 | 31.7 | 50.3 | 2.2 | 100.0 | 1,501 |
| Fourth | 6.2 | 10.1 | 31.1 | 50.4 | 2.1 | 100.0 | 1,446 |
| Highest | 3.5 | 11.2 | 29.8 | 53.5 | 2.0 | 100.0 | 1,055 |
| Lifetime sexual partners |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 4.3 | 6.5 | 27.9 | 58.8 | 2.4 | 100.0 | 1,424 |
| 2-3 | 7.0 | 8.6 | 30.6 | 51.5 | 2.2 | 100.0 | 3,213 |
| 4 or more | 8.2 | 11.2 | 33.1 | 44.6 | 2.8 | 100.0 | 2,352 |
| No response/refused | 4.2 | 9.2 | 32.0 | 51.4 | 3.3 | 100.0 | 449 |

[^114]| Table 14.3.2B <br> Self-Preceived Risk of HIV Infection among Sexually Experienced Men Aged 15-24 Years by Selected Characteristics <br> Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Characteristic | Self-Perceived Risk of HIV Transmission |  |  |  |  | Total | No. of Cases |
|  | Great Risk | Moderate Risk | Little Risk | $\begin{gathered} \text { No Risk at } \\ \text { All } \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | Does Not Know |  |  |
| Total | 7.5 | 6.7 | 39.7 | 42.6 | 3.5 | 100.0 | 2,060 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 12.8 | 5.4 | 41.0 | 39.6 | 1.3 | 100.0 | 322 |
| Other urban | 6.9 | 8.1 | 39.7 | 42.0 | 3.4 | 100.0 | 573 |
| Rural | 6.0 | 6.3 | 39.2 | 44.2 | 4.4 | 100.0 | 1,165 |
| Health region |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 10.9 | 6.7 | 35.7 | 42.9 | 3.8 | 100.0 | 622 |
| 2 | 8.1 | 9.2 | 33.3 | 48.1 | 1.2 | 100.0 | 418 |
| 3 | 3.4 | 4.9 | 40.4 | 47.8 | 3.5 | 100.0 | 538 |
| 4 | 5.9 | 7.0 | 48.5 | 34.3 | 4.3 | 100.0 | 482 |
| Age group |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 6.8 | 5.6 | 34.1 | 50.7 | 2.7 | 100.0 | 998 |
| 20-24 | 8.2 | 7.6 | 44.9 | 35.1 | 4.2 | 100.0 | 1,062 |
| Current relationship status |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Married/common law union | 2.9 | 3.4 | 42.7 | 47.0 | 4.0 | 100.0 | 162 |
| Visiting relationship | 11.5 | 7.8 | 41.8 | 35.1 | 3.8 | 100.0 | 553 |
| Girlfriend with sex | 7.3 | 6.4 | 43.2 | 39.8 | 3.2 | 100.0 | 826 |
| Girlfriend without sex | 6.3 | 5.8 | 26.0 | 59.5 | 2.3 | 100.0 | 200 |
| No steady relationship | 3.7 | 7.4 | 34.2 | 50.4 | 4.3 | 100.0 | 319 |
| Marital status |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| In union | 9.7 | 6.9 | 42.0 | 37.5 | 3.9 | 100.0 | 715 |
| Previously in union | 10.7 | 5.4 | 36.7 | 43.6 | 3.6 | 100.0 | 175 |
| Never in union | 5.7 | 6.7 | 38.7 | 45.7 | 3.2 | 100.0 | 1,170 |
| Education level (in years) ${ }^{\dagger}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-9 | 6.7 | 4.5 | 30.5 | 52.0 | 6.3 | 100.0 | 371 |
| 10-12 | 8.2 | 6.5 | 40.8 | 41.5 | 3.0 | 100.0 | 1,563 |
| 13 or more | 2.0 | 15.0 | 50.8 | 30.1 | 2.1 | 100.0 | 118 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 6.1 | 6.6 | 36.3 | 46.7 | 4.3 | 100.0 | 453 |
| Second | 8.7 | 5.5 | 35.5 | 46.0 | 4.3 | 100.0 | 436 |
| Middle | 10.9 | 6.3 | 39.5 | 40.0 | 3.3 | 100.0 | 391 |
| Fourth | 7.2 | 6.0 | 44.2 | 40.0 | 2.5 | 100.0 | 416 |
| Highest | 4.5 | 9.1 | 42.5 | 41.0 | 3.0 | 100.0 | 364 |
| Lifetime sexual partners |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 4.0 | 2.5 | 25.4 | 65.1 | 3.0 | 100.0 | 243 |
| 2-3 | 2.5 | 7.0 | 31.7 | 56.0 | 2.8 | 100.0 | 421 |
| 4 or more | 9.9 | 7.5 | 43.9 | 34.7 | 4.0 | 100.0 | 1,280 |
| No response/refused | 7.0 | 4.4 | 49.6 | 37.3 | 1.7 | 100.0 | 116 |

[^115]| Table 14.3.3A <br> Most Commonly Cited Reasons for Self-Perceived Risk of HIV Transmission among Sexually Experienced Women Aged 15-49 Years by Selected Characteristics <br> Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Reasons for Self-Perceived Risk of HIV Transmission |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Characteristic | $\begin{gathered} \text { No Condom } \\ \text { Use } \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | Partner's Risky Sexual Behaviors | Blood Transfusion and Other Medical Facility-Related Risk | Own Risky Sexual Behaviors | Other | Does Not Know | Total | No. of Cases |
| Total | 53.0 | 30.3 | 3.5 | 1.3 | 9.1 | 2.7 | 100.0 | 3,491 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 48.6 | 38.7 | 3.7 | 1.7 | 5.5 | 1.9 | 100.0 | 508 |
| Other urban | 52.6 | 28.1 | 3.3 | 1.3 | 12.5 | 2.2 | 100.0 | 992 |
| Rural | 55.4 | 28.2 | 3.7 | 1.2 | 7.9 | 3.5 | 100.0 | 1,991 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 48.5 | 34.2 | 3.2 | 1.7 | 9.2 | 3.2 | 100.0 | 1,004 |
| 2 | 62.0 | 20.1 | 4.7 | 1.4 | 8.9 | 2.8 | 100.0 | 680 |
| 3 | 62.4 | 24.7 | 1.7 | 0.9 | 8.6 | 1.6 | 100.0 | 1,041 |
| 4 | 47.0 | 33.9 | 5.6 | 0.9 | 9.7 | 2.8 | 100.0 | 766 |
| Parish |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston | 32.9 | 55.7 | 4.2 | 1.2 | 5.5 | 0.6 | 100.0 | 281 |
| St. Andrew | 54.5 | 32.4 | 3.7 | 1.7 | 5.1 | 2.5 | 100.0 | 247 |
| St. Thomas | 49.5 | 25.4 | 9.7 | 6.9 | 5.4 | 3.0 | 100.0 | 259 |
| Portland | 54.3 | 29.6 | 4.0 | 2.8 | 5.9 | 3.4 | 100.0 | 225 |
| St. Mary | 60.6 | 21.6 | 4.6 | 0.0 | 7.8 | 5.4 | 100.0 | 176 |
| St. Ann | 66.8 | 14.4 | 5.2 | 1.5 | 11.1 | 1.0 | 100.0 | 279 |
| Trelawny | 70.6 | 21.4 | 1.1 | 1.8 | 4.2 | 0.9 | 100.0 | 220 |
| St. James | 54.4 | 31.0 | 2.1 | 1.1 | 7.9 | 3.5 | 100.0 | 301 |
| Hanover | 58.0 | 18.4 | 4.6 | 0.5 | 17.7 | 0.7 | 100.0 | 247 |
| Westmoreland | 70.7 | 21.3 | 0.2 | 0.5 | 7.3 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 273 |
| St. Elizabeth | 30.1 | 46.5 | 3.9 | 0.7 | 15.7 | 3.1 | 100.0 | 201 |
| Manchester | 48.4 | 29.9 | 9.2 | 0.0 | 9.7 | 2.7 | 100.0 | 283 |
| Clarendon | 55.9 | 29.9 | 3.6 | 1.8 | 6.1 | 2.6 | 100.0 | 282 |
| St. Catherine | 46.3 | 32.7 | 1.3 | 0.9 | 14.4 | 4.4 | 100.0 | 217 |
| Age group |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 64.2 | 23.1 | 1.6 | 1.1 | 7.6 | 2.4 | 100.0 | 243 |
| 20-24 | 63.4 | 26.7 | 1.2 | 1.8 | 4.2 | 2.7 | 100.0 | 550 |
| 25-29 | 55.4 | 30.0 | 2.4 | 1.1 | 7.9 | 3.2 | 100.0 | 738 |
| 30-34 | 47.6 | 32.4 | 2.2 | 1.3 | 13.2 | 3.3 | 100.0 | 621 |
| 35-39 | 44.7 | 36.3 | 8.2 | 1.3 | 7.8 | 1.7 | 100.0 | 562 |
| 40-44 | 49.3 | 31.1 | 4.7 | 1.2 | 11.8 | 1.9 | 100.0 | 431 |
| 45-49 | 43.2 | 28.4 | 7.1 | 1.5 | 16.7 | 3.1 | 100.0 | 346 |
|    <br> Current relationship status   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Married/common law union | 49.5 | 30.7 | 4.5 | 1.3 | 10.6 | 3.5 | 100.0 | 1,729 |
| Visiting relationship | 58.8 | 33.3 | 1.0 | 1.3 | 4.4 | 1.1 | 100.0 | 1,334 |
| Boyfriend with sex | 53.9 | 24.6 | 0.9 | 1.6 | 13.0 | 6.0 | 100.0 | 135 |
| Boyfriend without sex or no steady relationship | 41.2 | 16.6 | 12.1 | 1.7 | 23.4 | 5.0 | 100.0 | 293 |
| Marital status |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| In union | 54.1 | 32.0 | 2.8 | 1.3 | 7.5 | 2.3 | 100.0 | 3,063 |
| Previously in union | 40.1 | 20.0 | 10.1 | 1.7 | 22.2 | 5.8 | 100.0 | 351 |
| Never in union | 67.6 | 14.6 | 2.2 | 1.5 | 10.9 | 3.2 | 100.0 | 77 |
| Education level (in years) ${ }^{\dagger}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-9 | 54.8 | 28.6 | 3.5 | 1.9 | 8.3 | 2.9 | 100.0 | 838 |
| 10-12 | 54.3 | 31.3 | 3.1 | 1.4 | 7.1 | 2.8 | 100.0 | 2,161 |
| 13 or more | 45.5 | 28.5 | 5.5 | 0.3 | 18.3 | 2.0 | 100.0 | 490 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 56.3 | 28.7 | 2.2 | 2.3 | 6.9 | 3.6 | 100.0 | 851 |
| Second | 51.7 | 34.3 | 3.7 | 1.8 | 5.6 | 2.8 | 100.0 | 753 |
| Middle | 55.5 | 29.2 | 3.3 | 0.6 | 8.8 | 2.6 | 100.0 | 705 |
| Fourth | 51.5 | 29.6 | 5.1 | 0.5 | 10.8 | 2.5 | 100.0 | 673 |
| Highest | 49.3 | 30.0 | 3.4 | 1.4 | 14.2 | 1.8 | 100.0 | 509 |
| Lifetime sexual partners |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 54.3 | 22.8 | 5.8 | 0.2 | 13.5 | 3.4 | 100.0 | 569 |
| 2-3 | 51.0 | 31.2 | 3.6 | 0.8 | 10.5 | 3.0 | 100.0 | 1,487 |
| 4 or more | 56.3 | 31.9 | 2.0 | 2.4 | 5.6 | 1.8 | 100.0 | 1,230 |
| No response/refused | 43.3 | 37.8 | 5.6 | 2.2 | 7.3 | 3.8 | 100.0 | 205 |

[^116]| Table 14.3.3B <br> Most Commonly Cited Reasons for Self-Perceived Risk of HIV Transmission among Sexually Experienced Men Aged 15-24 Years by Selected Characteristics Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Characteristic | Reasons for Self-Perceived Risk of HIV Transmission |  |  |  |  |  | Total | $\begin{aligned} & \text { No. of } \\ & \text { Cases } \end{aligned}$ |
|  | $\begin{array}{\|c\|} \hline \text { No Condom } \\ \text { Use } \end{array}$ | Own Risky <br> Sexual <br> Behaviors | Partner's Risky Sexual Behaviors | Blood Transfusion and Other Medical Facility-Related Risk | Other | Does Not Know |  |  |
| Total | 78.3 | 8.1 | 3.6 | 1.6 | 7.3 | 1.0 | 100.0 | 1,053 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 86.1 | 7.7 | 3.0 | 0.0 | 2.9 | 0.3 | 100.0 | 167 |
| Other urban | 73.0 | 10.8 | 4.2 | 1.9 | 9.4 | 0.8 | 100.0 | 307 |
| Rural | 78.6 | 6.4 | 3.6 | 2.1 | 7.8 | 1.5 | 100.0 | 579 |
| Health region |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 73.6 | 11.0 | 3.1 | 0.3 | 11.5 | 0.7 | 100.0 | 310 |
| 2 | 80.2 | 2.7 | 6.5 | 3.0 | 4.9 | 2.7 | 100.0 | 196 |
| 3 | 84.3 | 3.4 | 4.1 | 3.0 | 4.0 | 1.2 | 100.0 | 245 |
| 4 | 79.3 | 10.1 | 2.8 | 1.8 | 5.3 | 0.7 | 100.0 | 302 |
| Age group |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 82.5 | 6.8 | 2.5 | 1.5 | 5.2 | 1.5 | 100.0 | 468 |
| 20-24 | 75.3 | 9.0 | 4.4 | 1.7 | 8.9 | 0.7 | 100.0 | 585 |
| Current relationship status |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Married/common law union | 68.4 | 3.8 | 2.0 | 4.1 | 20.7 | 1.0 | 100.0 | 72 |
| Visiting relationship | 77.4 | 9.8 | 3.5 | 0.7 | 8.3 | 0.4 | 100.0 | 308 |
| Girlfriend with sex | 85.1 | 6.7 | 3.9 | 0.6 | 2.8 | 0.9 | 100.0 | 450 |
| Girlfriend without sex | 57.1 | 19.0 | 3.4 | 7.1 | 12.5 | 0.9 | 100.0 | 85 |
| No steady relationship | 75.2 | 4.1 | 4.1 | 2.9 | 10.4 | 3.3 | 100.0 | 138 |
| Marital status |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| In union | 75.9 | 8.7 | 3.2 | 1.3 | 10.4 | 0.5 | 100.0 | 380 |
| Previously in union | 73.8 | 9.7 | 2.9 | 0.7 | 8.4 | 4.6 | 100.0 | 94 |
| Never in union | 80.7 | 7.3 | 4.0 | 2.0 | 5.0 | 0.9 | 100.0 | 579 |
| Education level (in years) ${ }^{\dagger}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-9 | 73.9 | 12.1 | 5.6 | 0.1 | 5.9 | 2.5 | 100.0 | 147 |
| 10-12 | 78.4 | 7.7 | 3.1 | 2.0 | 7.8 | 0.9 | 100.0 | 829 |
| 13 or more | 85.8 | 4.7 | 5.8 | 0.0 | 3.7 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 72 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 77.2 | 7.4 | 5.5 | 1.9 | 6.9 | 1.1 | 100.0 | 209 |
| Second | 77.0 | 10.0 | 2.2 | 1.6 | 6.0 | 3.1 | 100.0 | 205 |
| Middle | 78.0 | 6.8 | 3.7 | 2.8 | 7.9 | 0.8 | 100.0 | 213 |
| Fourth | 80.8 | 6.9 | 3.4 | 0.7 | 7.6 | 0.6 | 100.0 | 226 |
| Highest | 78.1 | 9.6 | 3.4 | 0.9 | 7.9 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 200 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 70.8 | 6.2 | 5.4 | 3.4 | 7.7 | 6.4 | 100.0 | 82 |
| 2-3 | 80.7 | 4.1 | 2.9 | 1.9 | 9.7 | 0.7 | 100.0 | 172 |
| 4 or more | 77.7 | 9.8 | 3.7 | 1.2 | 7.1 | 0.5 | 100.0 | 732 |
| No response/refused | 85.7 | 1.0 | 3.2 | 3.0 | 4.2 | 2.8 | 100.0 | 67 |

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* Excludes 5 women who have never heard of HIVIAIDS.
$\dagger$ Excludes 1 women with missing information.

| Table 14.3.4B <br> Most Commonly Cited Reasons for No Self-Perceived Risk of HIV Transmission among Sexually Experienced Men Aged 15-24 Years <br> by Selected Characteristics <br> Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Reasons for No Self-Perceived Risk of HIV Transmission |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Characteristic | Uses Condoms | Own Sexual Behaviors | No Sexual Relations | Partner's Sexual Behaviors | No Blood Transfusion | Other | Does Not Know | Total | $\begin{aligned} & \text { No. of } \\ & \text { Cases } \end{aligned}$ |
| Total | 67.7 | 10.6 | 10.0 | 4.2 | 0.0 | 2.7 | 4.7 | 100.0 | 1,007 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 73.2 | 9.9 | 8.8 | 3.9 | 0.0 | 1.4 | 2.8 | 100.0 | 155 |
| Other urban | 64.3 | 11.3 | 10.3 | 3.8 | 0.0 | 2.9 | 7.5 | 100.0 | 266 |
| Rural | 68.1 | 10.4 | 10.3 | 4.5 | 0.1 | 3.1 | 3.7 | 100.0 | 586 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 71.5 | 7.4 | 9.2 | 5.0 | 0.0 | 4.0 | 3.0 | 100.0 | 312 |
| 2 | 72.3 | 5.4 | 15.5 | 2.7 | 0.0 | 2.4 | 1.7 | 100.0 | 222 |
| 3 | 67.0 | 16.8 | 8.8 | 1.8 | 0.1 | 1.5 | 4.1 | 100.0 | 293 |
| 4 | 58.4 | 12.5 | 9.3 | 6.6 | 0.0 | 2.2 | 11.0 | 100.0 | 180 |
| Age group |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 70.4 | 6.8 | 12.9 | 3.7 | 0.0 | 2.2 | 4.0 | 100.0 | 530 |
| 20-24 | 64.3 | 15.4 | 6.3 | 4.8 | 0.0 | 3.5 | 5.7 | 100.0 | 477 |
| Current relationship status |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Married/common law union | 49.7 | 32.8 | 0.0 | 10.3 | 0.0 | 0.7 | 6.4 | 100.0 | 90 |
| Visiting relationship | 71.0 | 12.7 | 1.4 | 5.9 | 0.0 | 4.8 | 4.3 | 100.0 | 245 |
| Girlfriend with sex | 80.5 | 9.6 | 3.8 | 2.7 | 0.0 | 1.5 | 2.0 | 100.0 | 376 |
| Girlfriend without sex | 59.4 | 4.1 | 22.7 | 6.8 | 0.0 | 3.3 | 3.6 | 100.0 | 115 |
| No steady relationship | 51.3 | 5.1 | 28.9 | 0.3 | 0.2 | 3.1 | 11.2 | 100.0 | 181 |
| Marital status |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| In union | 65.6 | 17.7 | 1.0 | 7.0 | 0.0 | 3.8 | 4.9 | 100.0 | 335 |
| Previously in union | 55.2 | 15.2 | 19.9 | 5.9 | 0.0 | 2.3 | 1.6 | 100.0 | 81 |
| Never in union | 70.7 | 6.2 | 13.3 | 2.5 | 0.0 | 2.3 | 5.1 | 100.0 | 591 |
| Education level (in years) ${ }^{\dagger}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-9 | 64.2 | 12.6 | 11.2 | 2.5 | 0.0 | 1.8 | 7.7 | 100.0 | 224 |
| 10-12 | 68.7 | 9.5 | 10.1 | 4.5 | 0.0 | 3.0 | 4.1 | 100.0 | 734 |
| 13 or more | 69.4 | 18.6 | 2.5 | 7.3 | 0.0 | 2.3 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 46 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 63.1 | 10.7 | 11.4 | 2.5 | 0.0 | 5.4 | 7.0 | 100.0 | 244 |
| Second | 76.3 | 10.7 | 4.9 | 6.1 | 0.0 | 1.8 | 0.2 | 100.0 | 231 |
| Middle | 60.6 | 12.0 | 14.5 | 4.3 | 0.1 | 1.3 | 7.2 | 100.0 | 178 |
| Fourth | 70.0 | 9.4 | 10.3 | 3.1 | 0.0 | 2.1 | 5.2 | 100.0 | 190 |
| Highest | 69.4 | 9.9 | 8.9 | 5.0 | 0.0 | 3.0 | 3.9 | 100.0 | 164 |
| Lifetime sexual partners |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 56.1 | 7.5 | 27.3 | 4.9 | 0.2 | 1.8 | 2.2 | 100.0 | 161 |
| 2-3 | 66.6 | 9.6 | 10.1 | 6.4 | 0.0 | 4.0 | 3.3 | 100.0 | 249 |
| 4 or more | 71.3 | 11.9 | 5.2 | 3.2 | 0.0 | 2.0 | 6.4 | 100.0 | 548 |
| No response/refused | 73.3 | 12.3 | 5.4 | 0.6 | 0.0 | 5.9 | 2.6 | 100.0 | 49 |

[^118]| Table 14.4AAccepting Attitudes toward Persons with HIV/AIDS among Women Aged 15-49 Yearsby Selected CharacteristicsReproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Characteristic | Would Work With an HIVInfected Person | An Asymptomatic HIV-Infected Teacher Should Allow to Teach | Would Care For an HIV Infected Family Member in the Household | An Asymptomatic HIV-Infected Child Should Allow to Take Classes | Would Buy Fresh Vegetables/Fruits From an HIVInfected Vendor | Would Not Keep a Seret About an HIV-Infected Relative | No. of Cases |
| Total | 90.1 | 85.4 | 84.5 | 81.6 | 43.9 | 29.1 | 8,254 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 95.5 | 90.4 | 85.4 | 81.9 | 55.6 | 29.3 | 1,198 |
| Other urban | 90.1 | 85.2 | 84.2 | 83.0 | 44.3 | 27.2 | 2,283 |
| Rural | 87.6 | 83.1 | 84.4 | 80.3 | 37.9 | 30.6 | 4,773 |
| Health region |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 91.5 | 88.0 | 86.2 | 82.2 | 51.8 | 27.9 | 2,339 |
| 2 | 91.2 | 81.8 | 87.0 | 80.8 | 39.9 | 31.7 | 1,759 |
| 3 | 90.4 | 85.9 | 82.9 | 83.7 | 36.4 | 26.8 | 2,311 |
| 4 | 86.3 | 81.4 | 80.8 | 78.6 | 36.2 | 32.3 | 1,845 |
| Parish |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston | 95.0 | 89.9 | 83.0 | 86.1 | 47.4 | 23.4 | 644 |
| St. Andrew | 94.3 | 89.9 | 85.8 | 80.5 | 54.5 | 30.4 | 636 |
| St. Thomas | 87.8 | 84.3 | 84.9 | 80.0 | 46.4 | 32.0 | 504 |
| Portland | 92.2 | 86.6 | 84.2 | 85.5 | 49.8 | 33.1 | 516 |
| St. Mary | 92.3 | 80.1 | 81.2 | 79.0 | 31.0 | 19.7 | 542 |
| St. Ann | 89.8 | 81.0 | 92.7 | 80.3 | 42.4 | 40.5 | 701 |
| Trelawny | 88.5 | 82.4 | 80.5 | 82.5 | 41.7 | 35.6 | 516 |
| St. James | 92.8 | 84.4 | 86.2 | 77.3 | 37.2 | 24.9 | 635 |
| Hanover | 91.2 | 90.9 | 83.8 | 90.1 | 34.2 | 20.0 | 540 |
| Westmoreland | 88.2 | 87.0 | 79.9 | 88.7 | 33.8 | 27.8 | 620 |
| St. Elizabeth | 86.9 | 81.2 | 76.9 | 79.5 | 39.9 | 33.1 | 528 |
| Manchester | 86.5 | 83.4 | 85.7 | 80.2 | 36.0 | 39.3 | 668 |
| Clarendon | 85.6 | 79.8 | 79.3 | 76.4 | 33.8 | 25.5 | 649 |
| St. Catherine | 88.7 | 86.4 | 87.4 | 83.5 | 50.8 | 25.7 | 555 |
| Age group |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 86.3 | 84.3 | 84.4 | 81.5 | 38.6 | 23.8 | 1,229 |
| 20-24 | 91.3 | 85.6 | 85.5 | 83.2 | 44.4 | 27.7 | 1,113 |
| 25-29 | 92.1 | 86.0 | 83.1 | 81.3 | 43.4 | 29.3 | 1,349 |
| 30-34 | 90.4 | 88.1 | 83.1 | 82.9 | 47.2 | 28.9 | 1,218 |
| 35-39 | 91.8 | 86.3 | 84.6 | 80.1 | 45.1 | 34.5 | 1,220 |
| 40-44 | 90.5 | 82.7 | 85.9 | 79.4 | 45.7 | 28.9 | 1,083 |
| 45-49 | 88.8 | 83.2 | 86.0 | 82.1 | 44.4 | 34.6 | 1,042 |
| Current relationship status |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Married | 91.5 | 87.3 | 83.6 | 82.1 | 45.9 | 28.7 | 1,440 |
| Common law union | 89.8 | 84.9 | 81.7 | 81.3 | 45.8 | 32.2 | 2,158 |
| Visiting relationship | 90.7 | 84.9 | 85.6 | 80.5 | 43.1 | 29.6 | 2,276 |
| Boyfriend with sex | 89.3 | 83.6 | 85.5 | 79.3 | 34.3 | 22.4 | 281 |
| Boyfriend without sex | 88.3 | 89.0 | 86.9 | 83.1 | 44.3 | 22.3 | 197 |
| No steady relationship | 89.1 | 85.1 | 85.8 | 83.0 | 43.1 | 27.7 | 1,902 |
| Marital status |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| In union | 90.6 | 85.4 | 83.9 | 81.1 | 44.6 | 30.3 | 5,874 |
| Previously in union | 90.9 | 84.5 | 87.9 | 80.8 | 42.0 | 27.4 | 1,344 |
| Never in union | 87.2 | 86.1 | 83.8 | 84.4 | 42.5 | 25.7 | 1,036 |
| Education level (in years) ${ }^{\dagger}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-9 | 84.8 | 77.7 | 83.4 | 75.9 | 42.5 | 35.6 | 2,181 |
| 10-12 | 91.0 | 86.6 | 84.2 | 82.2 | 43.6 | 28.3 | 5,076 |
| 13 or more | 95.1 | 92.5 | 87.9 | 88.0 | 47.5 | 21.9 | 994 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 82.1 | 74.8 | 81.5 | 73.3 | 36.7 | 35.2 | 1,998 |
| Second | 88.7 | 83.9 | 82.7 | 79.6 | 40.0 | 28.7 | 1,715 |
| Middle | 90.5 | 86.0 | 84.3 | 83.6 | 45.1 | 31.5 | 1,668 |
| Fourth | 94.6 | 91.4 | 86.5 | 86.7 | 47.6 | 27.1 | 1,650 |
| Highest | 94.8 | 90.8 | 87.5 | 84.6 | 49.7 | 22.9 | 1,223 |
| Lifetime sexual partners |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0 | 87.4 | 86.0 | 84.3 | 85.1 | 42.4 | 27.2 | 816 |
| 1 | 91.1 | 87.6 | 84.2 | 82.5 | 42.9 | 27.1 | 1,424 |
| 2-3 | 91.2 | 85.1 | 85.4 | 81.7 | 45.2 | 30.1 | 3,213 |
| 4 or more | 89.8 | 84.8 | 83.5 | 80.1 | 43.2 | 31.0 | 2,352 |
| No response/refused | 87.2 | 80.5 | 84.6 | 75.4 | 44.6 | 23.2 | 449 |

[^119]| Table 14.4B <br> Accepting Attitudes toward Persons with HIVIAIDS among Men Aged 15-24 Years by Selected Characteristics Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Characteristic | Would Care For an HIV Infected Family Member in the Household | Would Work With an HIVInfected Person | An Asymptomatic HIV-Infected Child Should Allow to Take Classes | An Asymptomatic HIV-Infected Teacher Should Allow to Teach | Would Buy Fresh Vegetables/Fruits From an HIVInfected Vendor | Would Not Keep a Seret About an HIV-Infected Relative | No. of Cases |
| Total | 88.0 | 83.3 | 77.7 | 76.6 | 33.7 | 24.5 | 2,772 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 92.9 | 85.9 | 80.8 | 81.2 | 40.0 | 31.5 | 380 |
| Other urban | 88.4 | 82.8 | 75.0 | 77.0 | 31.3 | 20.4 | 759 |
| Rural | 86.2 | 82.8 | 78.3 | 75.0 | 33.3 | 24.8 | 1,633 |
| Health region |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 90.2 | 85.9 | 81.0 | 80.6 | 42.1 | 27.7 | 789 |
| 2 | 85.7 | 85.8 | 76.1 | 73.8 | 30.3 | 30.5 | 551 |
| 3 | 85.0 | 78.5 | 74.1 | 75.0 | 28.1 | 18.7 | 774 |
| 4 | 89.0 | 83.1 | 77.3 | 74.0 | 29.2 | 22.7 | 658 |
| Age group |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 87.4 | 82.4 | 77.4 | 74.8 | 34.3 | 22.7 | 1,650 |
| 20-24 | 88.8 | 84.6 | 78.0 | 79.3 | 32.9 | 27.2 | 1,122 |
| Current relationship status |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Married/common law union | 87.6 | 88.3 | 83.1 | 79.2 | 33.2 | 26.9 | 162 |
| Visiting relationship | 91.0 | 85.1 | 75.8 | 77.8 | 33.0 | 31.4 | 553 |
| Girlfriend with sex | 89.9 | 81.4 | 76.1 | 76.0 | 34.1 | 22.6 | 829 |
| Girlfriend without sex | 85.3 | 86.3 | 83.1 | 81.1 | 35.4 | 23.4 | 409 |
| No steady relationship | 85.2 | 81.4 | 76.7 | 73.4 | 33.0 | 21.7 | 819 |
| Marital status |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| In union | 90.3 | 85.8 | 77.3 | 78.1 | 33.0 | 30.4 | 715 |
| Previously in union | 84.7 | 89.1 | 80.6 | 81.1 | 32.4 | 36.2 | 175 |
| Never in union | 87.4 | 81.8 | 77.5 | 75.6 | 34.1 | 21.1 | 1,882 |
| Education level (in years) ${ }^{\dagger}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-9 | 84.4 | 78.5 | 72.0 | 68.5 | 29.8 | 23.9 | 685 |
| 10-12 | 88.9 | 84.0 | 78.9 | 78.2 | 33.9 | 25.6 | 1,943 |
| 13 or more | 92.2 | 95.4 | 86.6 | 93.8 | 45.6 | 13.6 | 130 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 84.1 | 77.8 | 73.7 | 70.2 | 31.5 | 27.4 | 631 |
| Second | 87.0 | 80.0 | 74.0 | 73.9 | 32.7 | 25.1 | 618 |
| Middle | 88.6 | 86.5 | 79.8 | 80.7 | 31.1 | 24.1 | 512 |
| Fourth | 89.4 | 85.2 | 80.1 | 79.4 | 36.9 | 26.0 | 538 |
| Highest | 91.0 | 87.3 | 80.8 | 78.9 | 36.8 | 19.5 | 473 |
| Lifetime sexual partners |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0 | 86.3 | 81.9 | 79.2 | 74.4 | 33.7 | 19.6 | 712 |
| 1 | 83.0 | 84.8 | 83.8 | 78.0 | 36.0 | 28.7 | 243 |
| 2-3 | 87.9 | 83.6 | 78.0 | 78.6 | 37.1 | 23.2 | 421 |
| 4 or more | 90.1 | 84.1 | 75.9 | 77.1 | 31.8 | 27.3 | 1,280 |
| No response/refused | 84.4 | 79.4 | 74.4 | 75.1 | 38.2 | 19.9 | 116 |

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## Chapter 15

## Gender Attitudes and Violence against Women

For the first time in Jamaica, the 2008 RHS included questions about gender norms and attitudes, child punishment, and experiences with verbal, physical, and sexual violence. The questions included in the 2008 RHS gender and violence module focus on the following specific topics: 1) child punishment used by respondents who have children under the age of 16; 2) attitudes about gender norms; 3) physical violence witnessed and/or experienced by respondents prior to age $15 ; 4$ ) alcohol use and controlling behavior of current or former intimate partners; 5) emotional, physical, and sexual violence perpetrated by a current or former intimate partner, also known as Intimate Partner Violence (IPV); 6) characteristics associated with intimate partner violence experienced in the past 12 months; and 7) sexual coercion (at any point in a woman's life). While women were asked about IPV that they had experienced, men aged 15-24 were asked about IPV that they had perpetrated.

According to the United Nations, violence against women is defined as "any act of ...physical, sexual, or psychological harm...including threats of such acts, coercion or arbitrary deprivations of liberty, whether occurring in public or private life." (UN General Assembly, 1993). Often referred to as "domestic violence" or "battering", intimate partner violence (IPV) affects women of all ages, socio-economic strata, and educational backgrounds. In the Jamaica 2008 RHS, violence by an intimate partner was explored using a modified ( 9 items) Conflict Tactic Scale. The scale asks women about specific acts of verbal, physical, and sexual abuse that they had experienced in the context of a marriage or union (including visiting partnership). Verbal abuse includes insults, curses, and verbal threats, and gestures with the intent of physical harm ("threaten to hit you or throw something at you"). Physical violence includes pushing, shoving, and slapping and kicking, hitting with the fist or an object, being beaten up, and threats with a knife or other weapon. Women who experienced recent physical abuse were further asked about the severity of physical injuries and if they sought help from law enforcement agencies, family, friends, or health care providers. Sexual abuse by an intimate partner was defined by asking whether "a partner ever physically forced [the woman] to have sex against her will." In order to examine reporting of domestic violence from the male perspective, similar questions regarding types of abuse perpetrated by males against their female partners were included in the male questionnaire.

Estimates produced by the Jamaica 2008 RHS are likely to underestimate the true population prevalence because, for both psychological and practical reasons, some women may understate or choose not to report their abuse history, despite assurances of maintaining confidentiality.

Moreover, cross-cultural data on spousal abuse can be difficult to interpret because cultural definitions or perceptions of abuse may differ from one country to another.

### 15.1 Attitudes about Gender Norms

Women were asked whether they agreed or disagreed with six specific statements that were indicative of their attitudes toward gender roles. Table 15.1.1A shows the percent of women who agreed with each statement. Overall, $16.4 \%$ of women agreed that "it is important for a man to show his wife/partner who is boss;" $29.5 \%$ agreed that "it is a wife's obligation to have sex with their husband even if she doesn't feel like it;" $68.6 \%$ agreed that "a good wife obeys her husband even if she disagrees;" and 64.1\% agreed that "family problems should only be discussed with people in the family." A total of $65.4 \%$ agreed that "it is alright for a wife to refuse sex with her husband if he sees other women," and $61.0 \%$ agreed that "if a man mistreats his wife, others outside of the family should intervene." In general, residents of rural areas expressed more "traditional" attitudes toward gender norms, as did those with fewer years of education, and lower wealth quintile. For example, almost quarter of women with $0-9$ years of education (22.6\%) agreed that it is important for a man to show his wife who is the boss and $54.4 \%$ agreed that a good wife obeys her husband, compared to $7.8 \%$ and $31.1 \%$, respectively, among women with 13 or more years of education.

Figure 15.1.1
Agreement with Various Statements about Gender Roles among Young Adult Women and Men Aged 15-24 Years: Jamaica, 2008


The survey in Jamaica provides a unique opportunity to examine reporting of domestic violence from the male perspective and to better understand their perceptions of gender roles. Young Jamaican men aged 15-24 years had different attitudes from women in the same age group
(Table 15.1.1B and Figure 15.1.1), with a tendency for men to report more traditional attitudes than young women. For example, $40.4 \%$ of young men thought it was important for a man to show his wife/partner who is the boss, compared to only $13.8 \%$ of women in that same age group. Likewise, young men asserted more traditional gender attitudes about the acceptability of a wife's refusal to have sex with her husband if he sees other women ( $44.2 \%$ of men compared to $65.7 \%$ of young women), the notion that a good wife should obey her husband even if she disagrees with him (55.4\% of men compared to $44.4 \%$ of women) and on the question of whether family problems should be discussed only with family members (74.5\% of young men and $67.7 \%$ of young women agreed). Young adult men and women were more similar in the proportions who agreed that it is a woman's obligation to have sex with her husband/partner even if she doesn't feel like it ( $27.2 \%$ men and $24.5 \%$ women aged $15-24$ ), and in the percent who agreed that when a man mistreats his wife others outside the family should intervene ( $53.1 \%$ men and $58.7 \%$ of women).

When Jamaican women were asked about certain situations in which a husband would be justified to hit or beat his wife, there was almost universal agreement that men do not have the right to hit women under any circumstances (Table 15.1.2A). Overall, only $2.9 \%$ of women agreed with one or more reasons for wife-beating. Agreement that a husband is justified in hitting his wife was the highest in situations when he discovers that his wife was unfaithful (2.4\%). Young women had a slightly greater tendency to agree that there were instances when a man has the right to hit his wife then older women.

Figure 15.1.2
Agreement That a Husband Is Justified in Beating His Wife under Certain Circumstances among Young Adult Women and Men: Jamaica, 2008


Young men's attitudes about a man's right to hit his wife or partner were quite different from young women's (Table 15.1.2B and Figure 15.1.2). About one in five young men agreed that a
husband is justified in beating his wife for at least one specified reason; $16 \%$ agreed that hitting is justified if the husband finds out his wife has been unfaithful compared to only $4 \%$ of women aged 15-24; 10.8\% of young men agreed that if a woman disobeys her husband he has the right to hit her, compared to only $1.5 \%$ of young women. Male residents of the Kingston Metropolitan Area reported the greatest level of agreement with certain circumstances that justify wife-hitting, with $27.3 \%$ agreeing that the man has the right to hit a woman if he discovers her infidelity and 25\% agreeing that the man has the right to hit his wife if the woman disobeys him.

### 15.2 Attitudes and Practice of Child Punishment

Child punishment is a frequent parenting practice in many cultures. The World Health Organization defines child maltreatment as "acts of commission by a caregiver that cause actual physical harm or have the potential for harm." Research shows that severe physical punishment of children is associated with subsequent aggressive child behavior, childhood depression, adolescent and adult violence, and alcohol consumption.

Even though there has not been systematic and accurate nationwide data collected in Jamaica, the available information suggests that child punishment is a commonly accepted and used child-rearing practice. Researchers have argued that the Jamaican practice of disciplining the children through corporeal punishment is culturally sanctioned and an integral part of an authoritarian style of parenting favored throughout the Caribbean countries. Authoritarian parenting style favors control over children and demand for their obedience rather than use of reasoning, sharing ideas, or engagement in verbal resolution of family conflict. Although small studies suggest that physical punishment of a child is most often administered by a parent, other older relatives such as uncles, aunts, grandparents, and older siblings may also play some role, particularly in households where extended family members live together.

Parental attitudes towards child punishment provide insight into the social context within which child discipline occurs. Although attitudes are not totally predictive of behavior, the common belief that "physical punishment is necessary to raise children well" expressed by $55.8 \%$ of Jamaican women aged 15-49 years and 43.3\% of Jamaican men aged 15-24 years suggests a tendency toward authoritarian child-rearing in the country (Tables 15.2A and B, left panel). Interestingly, agreement with the need for physical punishment was significantly lower among young adult men then among young adult women ( $43.3 \%$ vs. $48.4 \%$ ), perhaps reflecting the societal perception that child-rearing and disciplining is mostly a woman's job.

Among women, support for corporeal punishment of children was higher among women in Westmoreland, Hanover, St. Ann, and Kingston and increased with age and the number of live births. Among both women and men there were no significant variations in supporting physical child punishment by education and socioeconomic backgrounds.

The majority of women aged 15-49 (79.8\%) and young adult men (67.0\%) whose families included children aged 1-15 years reported that child punishment is used for child-rearing in their households (Tables 15.2A and B, middle panel). Again, young adult women were slightly more likely than young adult men to mention that child punishment is used in their household (71.9\% vs. 67.9\%).

The types of punishment received by children in the respondents' households varied from verbal scolding, withdrawal of privileges, extra chores, isolation, to use of corporal punishment (Tables 15.2A and B, right panels). It is likely that the age of the child in the household influences the type of punishment administered. Nonetheless, an alarmingly high proportion of women aged 15-49 (36.2\%) and young men (41.6\%) reported the use of an implement to hit children in their households. In fact, hitting the child with an implement was the most reported type of physical abuse, outranking other types of physical discipline (i.e. hitting with the hand or fist and spanking). Overall, the reports of child physical punishment were not significantly different among young adult women and men (Figure 15.2).

Figure 15.2
Percentage of Young Adult Women and Men Who Reported Various Acts of Psychological and Physical Punishment Used to Discipline the Children in Their Households: Jamaica, 2008


### 15.3 History of Witnessing or Experiencing Parental Physical Abuse

History of witnessing physical abuse between parents and the experience of parental abuse as a child or adolescent have been identified as important risk factors for emotional and behavioral problems during childhood and adolescence. Data from the literature suggests that children
who experienced both risk factors are the most likely to develop serious behavioral problems. Several studies have linked childhood exposure to violence with child and adolescent violent behaviors and to physical abuse during adulthood.

In the 2008 RHS, all respondents were asked if, when they were growing up (i.e. before age 15), they ever heard or saw their parents physically abuse each other and if their parent or another family member physically abused them. As shown in Table 15.3A, overall, 18\% of female respondents reported that they witnessed violence between their parents, and 61.2\% reported that they had been slapped, kicked, shoved, or hit by a parent or step-parent. Additionally, 8.3\% reported corporeal punishment from another family member (data not shown). Witnessing abuse was more commonly reported by residents of Health Region 4, those residing in St. Elizabeth or Clarendon Parishes, those with fewer years of education, and those in the lower wealth quintiles. Having experienced parental physical abuse was common for all subgroups, but was most pronounced among residents of Hanover (81.6\%) and Manchester (78.4\%) parishes.

When Jamaican men aged 15-24 years were asked about having witnessed violence between parents, $13.7 \%$ affirmed having had this experience. Overall, $57.6 \%$ reported having experienced physical abuse from a parent or stepparent before age 15 (Table 15.3B). Additionally, $10.7 \%$ reported being physically abused by another family member (data not shown).

The proportion of young women and young men who reported experience of parental physical abuse while they were growing up was very high regardless of their background characteristics. However, respondents who reported having witnessed physical violence between parents were significantly more likely than those who did not witness parental abuse to report having experienced physical abuse by a parent when they were growing up (Figure 15.3.1). Among young women, $79 \%$ of those who witnessed episodes of parental abuse also reported they had experienced physical abuse themselves, compared to $60.9 \%$ among those who did not witness abuse. Similarly, among men, parental physical abuse was almost $50 \%$ more prevalent among those who witnessed abuse than among those who did not ( $77.2 \%$ vs. $54.8 \%$ ).

Attitudes towards child punishment are also likely to be influenced by respondents' personal experiences of parental abuse. Respondents' attitudes to physical punishment were examined according to their reports of witnessing or experiencing parental abuse (Figure 15.3.2). Women aged 15-49 years who had witnessed physical abuse while growing up or experienced parental physical punishment before age 15 expressed a notably higher agreement with the necessity of child physical punishment than those who did not witness or experience parental abuse.

Figure 15.3.1
Experience of Parental Physical Abuse before Age 15 by History of Witnessing Physical Abuse between Parents Young Adult Women and Men Aged 15-24 Years: Jamaica, 2008


Figure 15.3.2
Agreement That Physical Punishment Is Necessary to Raise Children Well by History of Witnessing or Experiencing Parental Physical Abuse among Women Aged 15-49 Years: Jamaica, 2008


### 15.4 Intimate Partner Violence

In order to measure the lifetime prevalence of abuse by a current or former partner, women who ever had a partner were asked if they had ever been verbally, physically, or sexually abused by a partner or ex-partner. The terms "partner" and "ex-partner" include a current or former spouse (legal, common-law, or visiting) or other partner with whom the respondent may have cohabited for any length of time. Women who had experienced violence from an intimate partner during the year prior to the survey were asked questions about the abuse, including situations in which episodes occurred and whether she sought help. All women ever in union were also asked about controlling behaviors of their husband/partner.

Controlling behavior is one of the hallmarks of a relationship where power inequities exist and where there is an elevated risk of physical violence. Jamaican women were asked about six controlling behaviors. Over one third ( $34.7 \%$ ) of ever-married women reported that her husband/partner insists on knowing where she is at all times, $30.2 \%$ reported that their husband/partner gets angry with her if she speaks with another man, $19.9 \%$ reported that their husband/partner is often suspicious that she is unfaithful, $11.9 \%$ stated that their husband/partner ignores her or treats her indifferently, $7.2 \%$ reported that he restricts her contact with her family, and $4.2 \%$ said that her expects her to ask permission before seeking health care (Table 15.4.1A and Figure 15.4.1).

Figure 15.4.1
Experience of Controlling Behaviors from a Current or Former Spouse or Partner among Ever-Partnered Women Aged 15-49 Years: Jamaica, 2008


In all, $52.3 \%$ of Jamaican women reported no controlling behaviors by their husband/partner, $17.9 \%$ reported one, $21.2 \%$ reported $2-3$, and $8.6 \%$ reported 4 or more. Women who reported 4 or more controlling behaviors were more likely to reside in rural areas; reside in the parishes
of St. Ann, St. James, or Clarendon; be previously married/in union; and to have lower levels of education and wealth. Experience of multiple controlling behaviors was strongly associated with all types of intimate partner violence, for example, $25.8 \%$ of those who experienced physical violence reported 4 or more controlling behaviors compared to only $5.1 \%$ of those who did not report physical violence.

Men aged 15-24 who were ever married or in union were asked about their own controlling behaviors toward their wife, partner, or ex-partner. Approximately one in every 4 young men stated that they insist on knowing where their wife/partner is at all times (27.0\%), are suspicious that she is unfaithful ( $25.1 \%$ ), or that they get angry when she speaks with another man ( $24.5 \%$ ) (Table 15.4.1B and Figure 15.4.2). In contrast, substantially higher percentages of young adult women reported that their partner/ex-partner exhibited these types of controlling behavior (Table 15.4.1A). When examined by residence and individual characteristics, men tended to report exerting fewer types of controlling behavior than did women. However, the proportions of young men and women who reported at least one controlling behavior were comparable (48.2\% vs. 54.7\%).

Figure 15.4.2
Controlling Behaviors Towards a Current or Former Spouse or Partner Reported by Ever-Partnered Men Aged 15-24 Years: Jamaica, 2008


Table 15.4.2A and Figure 15.4 .3 show that $30.8 \%$ of ever-partnered women reported having been verbally abused by an intimate partner at some point in their life, $17.2 \%$ reported having been physically abused by an intimate partner, and $7.8 \%$ reported having been forced to have unwanted sexual intercourse by a partner or ex-partner at some time in their life. Over one in three women (35.4\%) reported having experienced at least one of these types of abuse during her lifetime, and 4.6 percent reported having experienced all three types of violence. One in 5 women (19.7\%) reported having experienced physical or sexual IPV in their lifetime.

Figure 15.4.3
Reported Lifetime and Recent (Last 12 Months) Intimate Partner Violence (IPV) by Type of Violence among Ever-partnered Women Aged 15-49 Years: Jamaica, 2008


Women who reported lifetime abuse from a current or former intimate partner were asked whether this had taken place at some time during the past 12 months. During the past year, $14.7 \%$ of women ever in union reported verbal abuse, $6.5 \%$ reported physical abuse, and $2.8 \%$ reported sexual abuse. During the last year, $16.9 \%$ of women reported having experienced at least one of the three types of violence from a current or former intimate partner, 7.7\% reported physical or sexual IPV, and $1.2 \%$ reported having experienced all three types of violence in the past year.

For both lifetime IPV and that occurring in the past year, rural residents reported slightly greater prevalence of verbal abuse compared to urban residents, but no such association was found for physical or sexual violence. Parishes that had the greatest levels of physical and sexual violence reported by women included Kingston, Portland, and Clarendon, with almost 30 percent of women in these parishes reporting having experienced physical or sexual violence from an intimate partner at some time in their lives. As expected, older women reported higher levels of lifetime violence, due to their greater years of exposure to the risk of violence. However, women aged 15-24 reported higher levels of violence during the past year than did their older counterparts, with over 10 percent reporting physical or sexual violence during the 12 months prior to the survey.

Women who were currently in a consensual union reported higher levels of lifetime and recent violence compared to women who were currently married, had a visiting partner, or who were previously married. For example, $20.1 \%$ of women in a consensual union reported physical violence at some time in their lives, compared to $11.0 \%$ of married women. Higher parity, lower level of education, and lower wealth quintile were all associated with higher prevalence of
lifetime and recent violence. Finally, having a history of either witnessing or experiencing violence during childhood was significantly associated with lifetime and current IPV experience, with the highest prevalence of violence among those who had witnessed violence between their parents.

Young men were also asked whether they had ever verbally abused a partner or ex-partner, committed physical violence against a partner or ex-partner, or forced a partner or ex-partner to have unwanted sexual intercourse. Due to the age difference of the male and female samples, the data cannot be strictly compared to those of women, but some parallels can be explored.

When asked about different types of violent behavior or acts that they had inflicted on a wife, partner, or ex-partner, one quarter of young men reported ever having inflicted either verbal, physical or sexual violence (Table 15.4.2B), with $18.8 \%$ reporting having used verbal violence, $12.0 \%$ physical violence, and $3.9 \%$ sexual violence. These percentages are not comparable to lifetime violence reported by all women due to the difference age groups surveyed, but the examination of intimate partner violence that occurred during the last 12 months offers more comparable data. Interestingly, during the last 12 months men reported similar levels of violence inflicted as did women for violence experienced.

A total of $13.2 \%$ of men reported verbal abuse during the past year, compared to $14.7 \%$ of women aged 15-49 and 16.6\% of women aged 15-24 years. For physical violence, the percentage was the same for men inflicting (9.1\%) and for women aged 15-24 having received (9.1\%) (Figure 15.4.4). Young women reported sexual violence slightly more (3.7\%) than did young men (2.5\%). Also similar to women, young men who reported having witnessed parental violence or experienced childhood maltreatment were more likely to report having inflicted violence on a current or ex-partner.

Table 15.4 .3 shows specific acts of verbal and physical abuse experienced by Jamaican women. The most frequent form of verbal abuse was insults ( $28.3 \%$ ); having been threatened was reported by just over 1 in 10 women (11.4\%). For physical abuse, the most commonly reported acts were "slapping or throwing something that could hurt" (13.1\%), having been "hit with his fist or something else that could hurt" (11.7\%), having been "pushed or shoved" (9.2\%), or having been "kicked, dragged, or beat up" (6.0\%).

Figure 15.4.4
Reported Lifetime and Recent IPV among Ever-Partnered Young Women and Men Aged 15-24 Years: Jamaica, 2008


Many women report experience of multiple types of violence in their lifetime, including verbal, physical, and/or sexual violence (Table 15.4.4). In Jamaica, among those who had experienced some form of intimate partner violence in their lifetime, $44.5 \%$ reported only experiencing verbal abuse. Almost one half (48.4\%) of the women who reported lifetime partner violence reported physical violence only or physical violence accompanied by verbal and/or sexual violence. One in four women (25.6\%) reported having experienced verbal and physical violence, and $12.9 \%$ reported all three types of violence. Similarly, during the past year, Jamaican women who experienced violence were most likely to report only having experienced verbal abuse; $21.9 \%$ reported verbal and physical violence, $7.4 \%$ reported all three types of violence and $7.1 \%$ reported physical violence only.

### 15.5 Consequences of Recent Physical and Sexual Violence and Coping Strategies

Women who experienced physical or sexual violence during the previous year were asked additional questions about the consequences and circumstances of the violence. Among those with recent physical or sexual violence, $30.7 \%$ reported having at least one type of physical injury as a result (Table 15.5.1) and $23.3 \%$ sought medical attention as a result of the injury. Younger women aged 15-24 reported with greater frequency than older women having had an injury ( $35.4 \%$ ) and having sought medical attention (29.6\%), as were women previously married/in union and those with fewer years of education. The majority of women who reported an injury stated that they had sustained bruises or scratches (50.4\%), or headaches or other pain (54.9\%). More severe injuries included cuts, sprains, or burns (21.0\%), stabs or
penetrating wounds (4.1\%), broken eardrum or eye injury (2.4\%), or broken bones or teeth ( $2.4 \%$ ). As a result of the abuse, $15.8 \%$ of women with physical or sexual violence reported that they missed work (Table 15.5.2).

The survey also provides insights into the strategies used by women to cope with the intimate partner violence in their lives. Women who experienced physical or sexual violence in the past year were asked who they told about the violence and what, if any, help they sought from formal services or people in positions of authority (e.g., police, health services, legal aid centers, shelters, women's nongovernmental organizations, local leaders, church) A substantial proportion of women reported not having told anyone about the physical or sexual violence inflicted by an intimate partner in the past year (36.6\%). In a question to which multiple answers could be given, $61.9 \%$ of women who reported physical or sexual violence in the past year said that they told a family member or a friend about the abuse (Table 15.5.3 and Figure 15.5.1).

Figure 15.5.1
Coping Patterns among Ever-partnered Women Aged 15-49 Years Who Reported Recent Physical or Sexual Abuse: Jamaica, 2008


Women aged 25 to 34 were slightly more likely to report (65.9\%) that they spoke about abuse than younger (59.5\%) or older women (50.0\%). Similarly, talking about abuse with a family member or a friend was more prevalent among those who were previously married/in union (66.1\%), those with no live births (67.5\%), those with 13 or more years of education (82.9\%), and those in the highest wealth quintile (73.4\%). Women who had been physically abused in the past year were more likely to report speaking with her family members (44.4\%) and friends (42.2\%), than to her husband's family (10.8\%) or other acquaintance.

Seeking help from an organization or institution was less frequent than speaking about the abuse with a family member or a friend; less than one third (30.5\%) of the women who experienced recent physical or sexual violence sought support from agencies or institutios (Table 15.5.4 and Figure 15.5.1). Residents of the Kingston Metropolitan Area (38.0\%) and women with the highest education attainment (41.5\%) reported the highest levels of seeking institutional help. Overall, women with recent physical or sexual abuse by an intimate partner were more likely to seek help from the police (27.5\%) than from any other agency or authority. Only $6.8 \%$ of women who had experienced physical violence reported that they had sought support from a doctor or other health provider and very few (2.1\%) solicited help from a legal aid center, counselor, or court (Figure 15.5.2).

Figure 15.5.2
Levels of Help-Seeking from an Institution by Source of Help Ever-partnered Women Aged 15-49 Years Who Reported Recent Physical or Sexual Abuse


Help-seeking behaviors are important to understand in designing preventing strategies and programs for battered women. Given that very few women sought help from police should be considered in designing training of the law enforcement personnel. Similarly, the medical community has to adopt active measures to detect abused women and prevent future episodes. Health care providers have to be aware of the relatively high prevalence of IPV and the reluctance of victims to disclose the abuse. Inquiries about domestic violence experience during routine health visits could effectively reduce the frequency and severity of intimate violence and could provide early interventions for domestically abused victims.

A total of $69.5 \%$ of women who experienced physical or sexual violence during the past year did not seek assistance from an institution or organization (Table 15.5.5). The most common reason given by the woman was that she thought she did not need help or that the abuse was not serious enough to warrant it (60.3\%). Smaller proportions of women said they felt ashamed
(23.6\%), afraid of retaliation (14.8\%), that they did not trust anyone (12.5\%), or that they did not believe it would help (12.5\%) (Figure 15.5.3). Just over $10 \%$ were afraid of losing the relationship (10.8\%). Only 3.3\% of women cited not knowing where to go was the problem that kept them from seeking help. The percentage who did not seek institutional assistance was the highest among women residing outside the Kingston Metropolitan Area, women aged 15-24, those having lower levels of education, and those with no live births.

Figure 15.5.3
Most Commonly Cited Reasons for Not Seeking Institutional Help among Ever-partnered Women Aged 15-49 Years
Who Reported Recent Physical or Sexual Abuse: Jamaica, 2008


### 15.6 Correlates of Lifetime Physical Abuse

Table 15.6 compares women ever-married or in union according to whether they reported ever having experienced physical or sexual intimate partner violence on selected characteristics. The table shows that, in general, women who reported lifetime physical or sexual abuse were more likely to report other risk factors or negative experiences than women who did not experience violence. For example, the data clearly show that a greater percentage of the abused women reported having witnessed parental violence ( $32.4 \%$ vs. $16.4 \%$ ) or having experienced physical violence during childhood ( $82.3 \%$ vs. 67.5\%) than those who did not experience intimate partner violence (Figure 15.6.1).

There is also a strong association between experience of controlling behaviors from a current or former spouse and lifetime experience of physical or sexual abuse; 42.4\% of ever-married women who ever experienced intimate physical or sexual violence also reported at least 3 controlling behaviors by a current or former husband compared to only $11.7 \%$ of the nonabused women. Interestingly, there was no difference in the agreement that a husband is
justified to hit his wife/partner in certain situations by the history of lifetime abuse, with both groups expressing almost unanimous disapproval (data not shown). Compared to non-abused women, a greater percentage of those who were abused also reported age at first union as 17 years or fewer. Abused women were also more likely than non-abused women to report at least one recent occasion (last 12 months) when their current or former husband/partner got drunk (22.0\% vs. 11.2\%).

Figure 15.6.1
Selected Experiences among Ever-partnered Women Aged 15-49 with or without Physical or Sexual IPV during Lifetime: Jamaica, 2008


There is a growing recognition that women are more vulnerable to HIV infection and other STIs in countries with pervasive gender inequalities and high rates of physical and sexual violence. The links between intimate partner violence and HIV/AIDS are complex and influenced by biological, socio-cultural and economic factors. Several pathways have been identified as the main point of intersection between the two epidemics: forced sexual intercourse with an infected partner; increased sexual risk-taking behaviors among victims of domestic abuse, including having multiple partners or engaging in transactional sex; lack of control or negotiation skills to use condoms and preventive health care services; and higher likelihood that intimate partner violence against young women is inflicted by older men, who have a higher prevalence of HIV.

The survey does not allow exploration of a direct association between women's experiences of violence and sexually transmitted infections, including HIV. However, it is possible to compare indicators of risk of HIV or STI infection among those who experienced IPV and those who did not. As shown in Figure 15.6.2 and Table 15.6, women with lifetime experiences of physical or sexual violence by an intimate partner had a lower level of comprehensive knowledge about HIV transmission (defined as prompted correct knowledge on 5 items) and a greater tendency to
assess personal risk of acquiring HIV/AIDS as "moderate" or "high." Similarly, their self-assessed risk of other STIs was higher than among non-abused women. Ever-abused women were also more likely to report risky sexual behaviors or experiences. For example, they were more likely to report $2+$ sexual partners in the last 12 months, slightly less use of condom at the last intercourse in the last 12 months, and a higher likelihood to have experienced negative consequences when they asked a partner to use condoms.

Figure 15.6.2
Knowledge, Attitudes and Experiences Related to HIV Transmission among Ever-partnered Women Aged 15-49 Years with or without Physical or Sexual IPV during Lifetime: Jamaica, 2008


Use

Victims of IPV may also be less likely to use preventive health services, including family planning services, may be unable to use contraception effectively and consistently, and may be at a higher risk of having unplanned pregnancies. In Jamaica, there was no difference in the unmet need for family planning or current contraceptive prevalence among ever-partnered women with or without lifetime experience of physical or sexual abuse by an intimate partner. However, women who experienced abuse were more likely to report the last pregnancy as unplanned as those without abuse ( $66.5 \%$ vs. $52.3 \%$ ). These findings should be interpreted with caution since unintended pregnancies, particularly those resulting in abortion are likely to have been under-reported and we have no information as to whether under-reporting differs by the history of abuse. For example, if abused women were more likely to under-report unintended pregnancies than non-abused women, the association between abuse and pregnancy unintendedness shown here is likely to be a conservative estimate.

### 15.7 Lifetime Experience of Forced Sexual Intercourse (Rape) by Any Perpetrator

The Jamaica 2008 RHS asked all women aged 15-49 whether at any time in their life they had been forced "to have sexual intercourse (with penetration) against your will?" Women who had ever experienced forced intercourse (also known as "rape") were also asked about their relationship with the first person who ever did this, and her age at the time of the first experience.

Overall, $12 \%$ of Jamaican women reported having been physically forced to have sexual intercourse at some time in their life (Table 15.7.1 and Figure 15.7.1). Little difference was found according to the woman's residence, age group, or union status. Women with fewer years of education reported slightly higher prevalence than did those with more years of education, and there was a slight association with wealth quintile, with women in lower quintiles reporting greater prevalence.

Figure 15.7.1
Percentage of Women Aged 15-49 Years Who Have Ever Been Forced to Have Sexual Intercourse Against Their Will by Selected Characteristics


Table 15.7.1 also shows that the majority of perpetrators of forced intercourse were known to the woman. Over one-third of rape victims were forced to have sexual intercourse by current or previous partners (35.8\%), almost one fifth (19.9\%) by acquaintances, one fifth by boyfriends or ex-boyfriends (18.0\%), and $10.1 \%$ by relatives. Only one in eight (12.4\%) women who has ever been raped reported having been raped by a stranger. Given that most women most women have been raped by someone they know there is a great need for expanded existing gender-related legislation to fully protect women's and girls and young women. This should
consider re-defining rape to include that of legal and common law wives that have been sexually abused by their husbands/partners.

Women who reported ever having been forced to have sexual intercourse were also asked at what age this first occurred. Almost half (46.7\%) reported that the first experience happened prior to age 20 (16.2\% before age 15, and $30.5 \%$ between ages $15-19)$. Most of those who were not abused before age 20 were abused before turning age 30 (25.8\%) (Table 15.7.1). Very few women (11\%) reported first forced sex at age 30 or over. A relatively large percentage of women (16.5\%) stated that they could not recall or refused to answer at what age they had been raped. This category was especially large in Kingston and among younger women.

Figure 15.7.2
Percentage of Women Aged 15-49 Years Who Have Ever Been Forced to Have Sexual Intercourse Against Their Will by Age at First Forced Intercourse: Jamaica, 2008


Table 15.1.1A

| Table 15.1.1A <br> Agreement with Selected Attitudes Toward Gender Issues among Women Aged 15-49 Years by Selected Characteristics <br> Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Characteristic | It Is Important for a Man to Show His Wife/Partner Who Is the Boss | It Is a Wife's Obligation to Have Sex With Her Husband Even If She Doesn't Feel Like It | It Is all Right for a Wife to Refuse Sex With Her Husband If He Sees Other Women | If a Man Mistreats His Wife, Others Outside of the Family Should Intervene | A Good Wife Obeys Her Husband Even If She Disagrees | Family Problems Should Only Be Discussed With People in The Family | No. of Cases |
| Total | 16.4 | 29.5 | 65.4 | 61.0 | 48.6 | 64.1 | 8,259 |
| Residence U/R |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Urban | 13.7 | 30.1 | 63.5 | 61.2 | 45.5 | 62.9 | 3,481 |
| Rural | 20.0 | 28.7 | 67.8 | 60.7 | 52.7 | 65.7 | 4,778 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 15.5 | 36.2 | 62.5 | 62.8 | 51.3 | 69.8 | 1,198 |
| Other urban | 12.7 | 26.6 | 64.1 | 60.3 | 42.2 | 59.0 | 2,283 |
| Rural | 20.0 | 28.7 | 67.8 | 60.7 | 52.7 | 65.7 | 4,778 |
| Health region |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 13.3 | 30.0 | 60.8 | 61.4 | 43.2 | 65.0 | 2,340 |
| 2 | 19.3 | 22.6 | 67.3 | 54.2 | 48.5 | 60.0 | 1,761 |
| 3 | 16.9 | 33.5 | 67.4 | 64.1 | 54.5 | 64.5 | 2,313 |
| 4 | 21.0 | 28.6 | 72.2 | 61.3 | 54.8 | 64.3 | 1,845 |
| Parish |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston | 19.9 | 36.9 | 63.0 | 58.8 | 51.8 | 70.6 | 644 |
| St. Andrew | 15.1 | 35.2 | 64.5 | 64.5 | 49.0 | 69.8 | 636 |
| St. Thomas | 20.0 | 30.6 | 73.0 | 64.3 | 50.3 | 71.2 | 504 |
| Portland | 17.3 | 20.6 | 60.0 | 50.6 | 41.7 | 61.0 | 516 |
| St. Mary | 13.1 | 24.3 | 51.1 | 47.5 | 48.6 | 45.0 | 542 |
| St. Ann | 25.0 | 22.0 | 82.7 | 60.8 | 51.3 | 71.3 | 703 |
| Trelawny | 14.1 | 32.9 | 68.6 | 65.8 | 37.6 | 66.8 | 516 |
| St. James | 12.3 | 27.8 | 69.3 | 66.3 | 46.8 | 62.1 | 635 |
| Hanover | 5.9 | 39.4 | 66.3 | 38.0 | 66.7 | 83.7 | 541 |
| Westmoreland | 28.9 | 37.8 | 64.9 | 72.8 | 66.6 | 56.9 | 621 |
| St. Elizabeth | 23.7 | 25.1 | 74.9 | 62.3 | 62.1 | 58.7 | 528 |
| Manchester | 16.3 | 32.5 | 76.5 | 61.5 | 46.8 | 67.0 | 668 |
| Clarendon | 23.3 | 27.7 | 66.5 | 60.5 | 56.8 | 66.0 | 649 |
| St. Catherine | 9.5 | 23.7 | 55.1 | 58.5 | 35.0 | 58.5 | 556 |
| Age group |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-24 | 13.8 | 24.5 | 65.7 | 58.7 | 44.4 | 67.7 | 2,343 |
| 25-34 | 17.2 | 30.5 | 66.4 | 63.0 | 49.7 | 63.8 | 2,569 |
| 35-49 | 18.4 | 33.5 | 64.0 | 61.6 | 51.9 | 60.8 | 3,347 |
| Current relationship status |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Married | 16.2 | 41.3 | 67.8 | 61.9 | 54.2 | 60.7 | 1,441 |
| Common law union | 21.2 | 28.5 | 64.1 | 60.0 | 51.3 | 67.1 | 2,158 |
| Visiting relationship | 15.3 | 28.5 | 66.9 | 62.5 | 46.2 | 65.2 | 2,279 |
| Boyfriend with sex | 18.4 | 25.6 | 73.1 | 63.4 | 48.8 | 68.8 | 281 |
| No steady relationship | 13.8 | 25.6 | 62.4 | 59.3 | 46.1 | 61.8 | 2,100 |
| Education level (in years) * |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-9 | 22.6 | 31.4 | 61.2 | 61.3 | 54.4 | 67.0 | 2,183 |
| 10-12 | 16.1 | 30.3 | 65.7 | 59.9 | 50.3 | 65.1 | 5,078 |
| 13 or more | 7.8 | 22.2 | 70.8 | 65.6 | 31.1 | 54.8 | 995 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 25.4 | 29.1 | 63.8 | 58.7 | 55.3 | 63.8 | 2,001 |
| Second | 18.2 | 28.3 | 66.7 | 64.4 | 51.2 | 65.6 | 1,716 |
| Middle | 16.7 | 28.7 | 66.8 | 60.5 | 51.0 | 68.7 | 1,668 |
| Fourth | 13.0 | 33.9 | 66.2 | 62.3 | 47.5 | 64.4 | 1,650 |
| Highest | 8.8 | 27.1 | 63.5 | 59.4 | 37.9 | 58.1 | 1,224 |

[^121]| Table 15.1.1B <br> Agreement with Selected Attitudes Toward Gender Issues among Men Aged 15-24 Years by Selected Characteristics <br> Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Characteristic | It Is Important for a Man to Show His Wife/Partner Who Is the Boss | It Is a Wife's Obligation to Have Sex With Her Husband Even If She Doesn't Feel Like It | It Is all Right for <br> a Wife to Refuse <br> Sex With Her <br> Husband If He <br> Sees Other <br> Women | If a Man <br> Mistreats His Wife, Others Outside of the Family Should Intervene | A Good Wife Obeys Her Husband Even If She Disagrees | Family <br> Problems <br> Should Only Be <br> Discussed With <br> People in The <br> Family | No. of Cases |
| Total | 40.4 | 27.2 | 44.2 | 53.1 | 55.4 | 74.5 | 2,775 |
| Residence U/R |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Urban | 38.1 | 27.4 | 42.7 | 50.2 | 51.1 | 69.9 | 1,139 |
| Rural | 42.5 | 27.1 | 45.6 | 55.7 | 59.3 | 78.6 | 1,636 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 30.1 | 21.6 | 39.9 | 40.8 | 38.6 | 56.5 | 380 |
| Other urban | 42.2 | 30.3 | 44.1 | 54.9 | 57.5 | 76.7 | 759 |
| Rural | 42.5 | 27.1 | 45.6 | 55.7 | 59.3 | 78.6 | 1,636 |
| Health region |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 36.9 | 26.8 | 43.9 | 47.6 | 51.0 | 67.2 | 789 |
| 2 | 35.1 | 23.6 | 38.3 | 55.9 | 62.2 | 70.3 | 552 |
| 3 | 45.2 | 39.9 | 57.1 | 62.8 | 70.2 | 88.3 | 775 |
| 4 | 43.5 | 16.9 | 34.8 | 49.6 | 43.2 | 73.1 | 659 |
| Parish |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston | 37.2 | 27.4 | 46.7 | 35.0 | 56.1 | 68.2 | 209 |
| St. Andrew | 33.2 | 19.5 | 44.1 | 46.0 | 36.9 | 56.3 | 201 |
| St. Thomas | 47.9 | 37.2 | 41.8 | 48.1 | 64.7 | 74.8 | 212 |
| Portland | 39.0 | 21.7 | 43.0 | 44.1 | 45.8 | 53.7 | 182 |
| St. Mary | 18.0 | 29.0 | 32.3 | 51.3 | 62.2 | 67.7 | 186 |
| St. Ann | 46.9 | 20.2 | 40.6 | 65.8 | 70.9 | 81.3 | 184 |
| Trelawny | 42.5 | 39.8 | 48.3 | 37.9 | 65.0 | 84.1 | 170 |
| St. James | 42.1 | 31.0 | 51.2 | 54.0 | 81.3 | 88.2 | 215 |
| Hanover | 22.8 | 36.7 | 46.6 | 66.2 | 49.1 | 80.8 | 181 |
| Westmoreland | 61.9 | 52.2 | 73.0 | 80.7 | 70.3 | 93.9 | 209 |
| St. Elizabeth | 35.0 | 16.6 | 34.7 | 46.6 | 43.7 | 76.8 | 217 |
| Manchester | 37.8 | 16.8 | 17.2 | 58.5 | 20.4 | 66.8 | 236 |
| Clarendon | 57.1 | 17.4 | 54.2 | 42.3 | 68.1 | 76.8 | 206 |
| St. Catherine | 38.7 | 32.3 | 43.5 | 52.1 | 62.1 | 77.1 | 167 |
| Age group |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-17 | 38.2 | 25.4 | 44.6 | 55.0 | 54.4 | 73.9 | 1,037 |
| 18-19 | 39.9 | 29.0 | 46.1 | 51.2 | 53.5 | 74.9 | 615 |
| 20-24 | 42.8 | 28.0 | 42.8 | 52.3 | 57.4 | 74.7 | 1,123 |
| Current relationship status |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Married | * | * | * | * | * | * | 8 |
| Common law union | 43.0 | 29.5 | 31.1 | 45.4 | 58.1 | 80.4 | 154 |
| Visiting relationship | 43.9 | 27.3 | 41.5 | 52.9 | 55.9 | 70.1 | 554 |
| Boyfriend with sex | 41.5 | 27.6 | 45.5 | 52.9 | 56.8 | 75.5 | 829 |
| No steady relationship | 38.0 | 26.8 | 46.1 | 53.9 | 53.8 | 75.0 | 1,230 |
| Education level (in years) ** |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-9 | 45.6 | 28.4 | 39.7 | 53.2 | 57.7 | 76.6 | 687 |
| 10-12 | 39.1 | 27.4 | 45.3 | 52.7 | 55.8 | 73.9 | 1,944 |
| 13 or more | 32.8 | 21.3 | 49.7 | 58.8 | 38.2 | 72.4 | 130 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 49.1 | 27.8 | 42.7 | 51.2 | 65.9 | 81.4 | 632 |
| Second | 42.4 | 29.0 | 49.0 | 50.4 | 60.4 | 75.8 | 620 |
| Middle | 38.9 | 24.4 | 42.6 | 50.6 | 49.5 | 73.6 | 512 |
| Fourth | 36.5 | 29.4 | 45.0 | 52.6 | 49.4 | 68.0 | 538 |
| Highest | 34.9 | 25.6 | 41.7 | 61.5 | 51.8 | 73.4 | 473 |

[^122]| Table 15.1.2A <br> Agreement with Certain Circumstances That May Justify a Man Hitting His Wife among Ever-partnered Women Aged 15-49 Years by Selected Characteristics Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Characteristic | Agreement with One or More Circumstances | When a Husband Finds Out That His Wife Has Been Unfaithful | When the Wife Disobeys Her Husband | When the Wife Does Not Complete Household Work to Husband's Satisfaction | When the Wife Asks Her Husband Whether He Has Other Girlfriends | When the Wife Refuses to Have Sexual Relations with Her Husband | No. of Cases |
| Total | 2.9 | 2.4 | 0.8 | 0.7 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 7,222 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 2.4 | 2.1 | 0.6 | 0.9 | 0.6 | 0.5 | 1,031 |
| Other urban | 1.9 | 1.7 | 0.6 | 0.5 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 2,047 |
| Rural | 4.0 | 3.3 | 1.1 | 0.8 | 0.4 | 0.3 | 4,144 |
| Age group |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-24 | 4.4 | 4.0 | 1.5 | 1.0 | 0.6 | 0.7 | 1,448 |
| 25-34 | 2.5 | 2.0 | 0.8 | 0.7 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 2,504 |
| 35-49 | 2.3 | 1.8 | 0.4 | 0.5 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 3,270 |
| Current union status |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Married (legal, consensual) | 2.5 | 2.0 | 0.6 | 0.6 | 0.1 | 0.2 | 3,599 |
| In visiting relationship | 3.5 | 3.1 | 1.0 | 0.8 | 0.5 | 0.5 | 2,279 |
| Previously married/partnered | 2.8 | 2.1 | 1.0 | 0.7 | 0.3 | 0.1 | 1,344 |
| No. of live births |  | 2.5 | 1.0 | 0.8 | 0.5 | 0.5 | 1,208 |
| 0 | 2.9 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1-2 | 2.6 | 2.4 | 0.7 | 0.6 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 3,312 |
| 3 or more | 3.5 | 2.4 | 0.9 | 0.8 | 0.3 | 0.2 | 2,702 |
| Education level (in years) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-9 | 5.6 | 4.2 | 1.4 | 1.5 | 0.3 | 0.2 | 1,905 |
| 10-12 | 2.3 | 2.0 | 0.8 | 0.6 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 4,428 |
| 13 or more | 1.3 | 1.3 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 886 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 5.4 | 4.3 | 1.6 | 1.1 | 0.4 | 0.5 | 1,823 |
| Second | 3.8 | 3.1 | 0.8 | 0.7 | 0.4 | 0.1 | 1,541 |
| Middle | 2.2 | 1.9 | 0.5 | 0.7 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 1,444 |
| Fourth | 1.4 | 1.2 | 0.3 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 1,399 |
| Highest | 1.5 | 1.4 | 0.8 | 0.7 | 0.6 | 0.6 | 1,015 |

*Excludes 3 women with missing information on education.

| Table 15.1.2B <br> Agreement with Selected Circumstances That May Justify a Man Hitting His Wife among Ever-partnered Men Aged 15-24 Years by Selected Characteristics Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Characteristic | Agreement with One or More Circumstances | When a Husband Finds Out That His Wife Has Been Unfaithful | When the Wife Disobeys Her Husband | When the Wife Does Not Complete Household Work to Husband's Satisfaction | When the Wife Asks Her Husband Whether He Has Other Girlfriends | When the Wife Refuses to Have Sexual Relations with Her Husband | No. of Cases |
| Total | 21.5 | 16.0 | 10.8 | 6.1 | 4.4 | 4.4 | 891 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 36.2 | 27.3 | 25.0 | 14.6 | 13.4 | 11.8 | 165 |
| Other urban | 19.1 | 11.3 | 8.3 | 6.8 | 2.4 | 2.7 | 242 |
| Rural | 17.0 | 14.3 | 6.5 | 2.0 | 2.0 | 2.4 | 484 |
| Age group |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 28.4 | 16.7 | 17.2 | 8.7 | 6.4 | 6.1 | 239 |
| 20-24 | 19.0 | 15.7 | 8.4 | 5.1 | 3.7 | 3.8 | 652 |
| Current union status |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Married (legal, consensual) | 15.7 | 13.9 | 6.8 | 1.7 | 2.2 | 3.0 | 162 |
| In visiting relationship | 20.7 | 16.1 | 9.6 | 4.9 | 4.4 | 3.8 | 554 |
| Previously married/partnered | 28.9 | 17.5 | 18.0 | 13.4 | 6.1 | 7.5 | 175 |
| No. of live births |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0 | 21.8 | 15.6 | 11.1 | 6.7 | 4.9 | 4.8 | 718 |
| 1 or more | 20.5 | 17.6 | 9.8 | 3.7 | 2.3 | 2.9 | 173 |
| Education level (in years) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-9 | 20.6 | 15.5 | 7.9 | 2.2 | 3.7 | 3.8 | 131 |
| 10-12 | 21.9 | 15.8 | 11.7 | 6.9 | 4.6 | 4.6 | 694 |
| 13 or more | 21.0 | 21.0 | 6.7 | 3.6 | 3.6 | 3.6 | 60 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 15.4 | 13.6 | 6.6 | 3.0 | 4.1 | 3.5 | 182 |
| Second | 24.9 | 17.6 | 9.3 | 6.0 | 1.3 | 2.7 | 187 |
| Middle | 15.1 | 9.7 | 7.3 | 3.2 | 1.4 | 2.5 | 176 |
| Fourth | 24.5 | 19.7 | 13.9 | 8.7 | 7.2 | 5.6 | 197 |
| Highest | 27.5 | 19.3 | 16.2 | 9.0 | 7.8 | 7.6 | 149 |

[^123]| Table 15.2A <br> Attitudes towards Child Punishment among Women Aged 15-49 Years and Use of Psychological or Physical Punishment in Their Households by Type of Child Punishement Used in the Households and Selected Characteristics <br> Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Characteristic | Believed that "Physical Punishment Is Necessary to Raise Children Well" |  | Reported Use of Child Punishment in the Household |  | Type of Psychological or Physical Child Punishement Used in the Household |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | No. of Cases |
|  | \% | No. of Cases | \% | No. of Cases | Taking Away Something the Child Likes | Scolding | Hitting the Child with a Belt, Stick, or Other Object | Hitting the Child with the Hand or Fist | Cuffing or Spanking | Giving the Child Extra Chores | Locking-up the Child | $\begin{gathered} \text { Locking the } \\ \text { Child Out of the } \\ \text { House } \end{gathered}$ | Other |  |
| Total | 55.8 | 8,259 | 79.8 | 6,435 | 64.4 | 57.6 | 36.2 | 34.3 | 23.4 | 15.2 | 9.6 | 1.2 | 1.7 | 5,126 |
| Residence <br> Kingston Metropolitan Area | 58.8 | 1,198 | 79.0 | 879 | 70.8 | 62.6 | 22.6 | 28.3 | 13.2 | 17.0 | 9.4 | 1.5 | 0.2 | 693 |
| Other urban | 56.1 | 2,283 | 79.0 | 1,731 | 67.4 | 51.1 | 35.8 | 37.7 | 23.2 | 13.0 | 11.6 | 0.7 | 1.9 | 1,362 |
| Rural | 54.2 | 4,778 | 80.9 | 3,825 | 59.6 | 60.5 | 41.9 | 34.2 | 27.6 | 16.2 | 8.2 | 1.4 | 2.1 | 3,071 |
| Parish |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston | 62.6 | 644 | 82.9 | 504 | 73.1 | 62.9 | 29.5 | 29.5 | 22.5 | 17.7 | 5.0 | 0.6 | 0.8 | 403 |
| St. Andrew | 57.3 | 636 | 78.9 | 448 | 68.2 | 62.2 | 26.8 | 28.0 | 10.6 | 15.1 | 8.8 | 1.5 | 0.0 | 350 |
| St. Thomas | 39.0 | 504 | 69.5 | 396 | 74.7 | 51.3 | 28.9 | 23.2 | 16.6 | 10.0 | 4.4 | 0.2 | 3.6 | 267 |
| Portland | 42.3 | 516 | 66.9 | 418 | 60.6 | 50.3 | 32.3 | 22.0 | 23.7 | 10.6 | 20.7 | 0.7 | 1.2 | 289 |
| St. Mary | 45.8 | 542 | 76.9 | 388 | 75.0 | 79.2 | 46.2 | 39.7 | 39.7 | 16.9 | 0.5 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 280 |
| St. Ann | 66.2 | 703 | 87.6 | 582 | 68.3 | 78.9 | 21.8 | 25.1 | 66.7 | 6.3 | 9.7 | 0.1 | 1.2 | 509 |
| Trelawny | 44.6 | 516 | 76.5 | 426 | 70.1 | 77.7 | 39.1 | 30.8 | 18.0 | 33.2 | 8.8 | 1.5 | 1.6 | 331 |
| St. James | 48.1 | 635 | 77.7 | 490 | 71.2 | 31.6 | 47.1 | 36.5 | 12.1 | 15.8 | 6.3 | 0.4 | 3.2 | 383 |
| Hanover | 71.4 | 541 | 81.2 | 424 | 57.9 | 77.4 | 62.7 | 22.9 | 9.2 | 14.1 | 16.8 | 0.1 | 0.2 | 362 |
| Westmoreland | 79.4 | 621 | 82.1 | 454 | 56.9 | 51.5 | 55.4 | 40.5 | 13.4 | 42.2 | 11.3 | 2.8 | 0.7 | 370 |
| St. Elizabeth | 39.5 | 528 | 72.5 | 418 | 30.0 | 55.6 | 26.9 | 23.9 | 27.5 | 7.2 | 12.4 | 1.1 | 1.2 | 302 |
| Manchester | 61.3 | 668 | 93.2 | 523 | 70.0 | 78.0 | 42.7 | 33.5 | 34.2 | 17.1 | 9.3 | 4.0 | 3.1 | 487 |
| Clarendon | 48.7 | 649 | 84.7 | 541 | 49.8 | 52.8 | 47.6 | 54.9 | 17.1 | 9.3 | 12.7 | 2.0 | 3.1 | 461 |
| St. Catherine | 57.0 | 556 | 77.5 | 423 | 68.9 | 41.8 | 29.3 | 39.0 | 25.6 | 11.1 | 10.3 | 0.2 | 2.6 | 332 |
| Age group |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-24 | 48.4 | 2,343 | 71.9 | 1,757 | 57.5 | 60.9 | 37.3 | 33.5 | 21.2 | 19.2 | 9.3 | 1.8 | 1.8 | 1,249 |
| 25-34 | 59.1 | 2,569 | 86.1 | 2,089 | 65.6 | 53.0 | 35.7 | 37.1 | 24.9 | 12.4 | 11.5 | 1.0 | 1.9 | 1,788 |
| 35-49 | 60.3 | 3,347 | 81.9 | 2,589 | 69.3 | 59.3 | 35.6 | 32.3 | 23.8 | 14.4 | 8.1 | 0.8 | 1.4 | 2,089 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Married | 62.1 | 1,441 | 86.1 | 1,178 | 74.5 | 52.2 | 31.6 | 31.7 | 24.4 | 13.5 | 10.9 | 1.2 | 1.2 | 1,010 |
| Common law union | 58.6 | 2,158 | 77.0 | 1,699 | 65.3 | 57.1 | 40.0 | 35.4 | 26.0 | 14.8 | 10.7 | 0.7 | 2.4 | 1,324 |
| Visiting relationship | 54.8 | 2,279 | 79.3 | 1,771 | 61.8 | 56.9 | 36.4 | 36.8 | 22.9 | 12.5 | 8.1 | 1.6 | 1.8 | 1,405 |
| Previously in union | 56.4 | 1,344 | 81.8 | 1,036 | 62.8 | 60.8 | 36.1 | 35.2 | 23.8 | 11.9 | 10.0 | 1.2 | 1.1 | 833 |
| Never in union | 47.4 | 1,037 | 76.6 | 751 | 58.4 | 63.0 | 35.4 | 29.5 | 18.7 | 27.8 | 9.5 | 0.9 | 1.6 | 554 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0 | 49.0 | 2,208 | 71.3 | 1,241 | 60.7 | 63.3 | 34.1 | 31.5 | 19.9 | 22.4 | 8.2 | 2.3 | 2.2 | 856 |
| 1 | 54.8 | 1,707 | 75.7 | 1,337 | 62.4 | 57.5 | 29.0 | 34.0 | 22.4 | 10.1 | 10.3 | 0.5 | 0.8 | 1,021 |
| 2 | 59.6 | 1,632 | 83.3 | 1,429 | 68.7 | 52.9 | 38.1 | 31.1 | 20.3 | 12.2 | 12.4 | 0.7 | 1.9 | 1,167 |
| 3 | 63.6 | 1,110 | 87.1 | 980 | 69.7 | 56.9 | 36.5 | 37.6 | 24.9 | 15.4 | 8.3 | 0.8 | 1.8 | 834 |
| 4 or more | 61.5 | 1,602 | 87.9 | 1,448 | 62.5 | 56.6 | 43.9 | 39.0 | 30.5 | 15.4 | 8.8 | 1.5 | 1.8 | 1,248 |
| Education level (in years) ${ }^{\text {c\| }}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-9 | 56.9 | 2,183 | 80.4 | 1,824 | 57.8 | 57.8 | 43.1 | 36.3 | 25.0 | 17.8 | 8.9 | 1.9 | 2.2 | 1,455 |
| 10-12 | 55.6 | 5,078 | 79.5 | 3,941 | 65.1 | 57.9 | 36.0 | 34.8 | 22.9 | 15.3 | 9.9 | 1.1 | 1.6 | 3,144 |
| 13 or more | 54.9 | 995 | 80.5 | 667 | 74.5 | 55.3 | 22.7 | 28.0 | 22.5 | 9.4 | 9.8 | 0.0 | 1.3 | 525 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 56.3 | 2,001 | 81.6 | 1,750 | 53.0 | 57.9 | 47.0 | 39.2 | 30.0 | 14.9 | 8.3 | 1.9 | 2.7 | 1,416 |
| Second | 59.3 | 1,716 | 81.5 | 1,388 | 63.3 | 58.4 | 40.4 | 39.3 | 23.3 | 15.4 | 7.5 | 0.8 | 1.1 | 1,109 |
| Middle | 52.1 | 1,668 | 80.5 | 1,297 | 69.7 | 57.6 | 33.3 | 31.1 | 21.8 | 16.9 | 10.1 | 0.7 | 1.1 | 1,049 |
| Fourth | 53.6 | 1,650 | 74.8 | 1,152 | 66.8 | 54.8 | 32.0 | 29.3 | 18.7 | 14.4 | 12.4 | 0.8 | 2.1 | 883 |
| Highest | 58.2 | 1,224 | 80.3 | 848 | 72.5 | 59.1 | 24.4 | 30.8 | 21.0 | 14.3 | 10.6 | 1.6 | 1.2 | 669 |

tExcludes 3 women with missing information on education.

Table 15.2B
Attitudes towards Child Punishment among Men Aged 15-24 Years and Use of Psychological or Physical Punishment in Their Households
by Type of Child Punishement Used in the Households and Selected Characteristics
Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008

| Characteristic | Believed that "Physical Punishment Is Necessary to Raise Children Well" |  | Reported Use of Child Punishment in the Household |  | Type of Psychological or Physical Child Punishment Used in the Household |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | No. of Cases |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | \% | No. of Cases | \% | No. of Cases | Taking Away Something the Child Likes | Scolding | Hitting the Child with a Belt, Stick, or Other Object | Hitting the Child with the Hand or Fist | Cuffing or Spanking | Giving the Child Extra Chores | Locking-up the Child | $\begin{array}{\|c\|} \text { Locking the } \\ \text { Child Out of the } \\ \text { House } \end{array}$ | Other |  |
| Total | 43.3 | 2,775 | 67.0 | 1,854 | 48.2 | 52.7 | 41.6 | 27.1 | 26.6 | 19.1 | 8.5 | 1.7 | 3.7 | 1,219 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 50.3 | 380 | 77.9 | 209 | 42.4 | 61.0 | 28.5 | 21.2 | 25.6 | 14.2 | 7.0 | 1.2 | 4.9 | 168 |
| Other urban | 42.3 | 759 | 68.0 | 494 | 50.4 | 45.5 | 46.0 | 25.5 | 24.2 | 15.9 | 8.8 | 2.4 | 3.3 | 319 |
| Rural | 41.7 | 1,636 | 64.0 | 1,151 | 48.5 | 54.7 | 42.5 | 29.7 | 28.3 | 22.3 | 8.7 | 1.5 | 3.7 | 732 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 39.8 | 1,652 | 67.8 | 1,234 | 47.4 | 48.2 | 44.3 | 28.3 | 26.4 | 19.7 | 9.9 | 1.9 | 4.2 | 837 |
| 20-24 | 48.3 | 1,123 | 65.6 | 620 | 49.8 | 61.4 | 36.1 | 24.9 | 26.8 | 17.8 | 5.7 | 1.3 | 2.8 | 382 |
| Marital status |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Married (legal, consensual) | 35.5 | 162 | 66.2 | 99 | 54.4 | 66.9 | 43.1 | 19.5 | 22.5 | 9.2 | 6.0 | 0.0 | 1.4 | 53 |
| In visiting relationship | 46.5 | 554 | 70.2 | 308 | 50.1 | 51.8 | 35.8 | 27.4 | 28.5 | 20.6 | 5.0 | 0.9 | 3.0 | 216 |
| Previously married/partnered | 48.8 | 175 | 77.0 | 108 | 44.2 | 61.5 | 26.5 | 21.9 | 23.2 | 5.4 | 4.4 | 4.1 | 9.1 | 73 |
| Never in union | 42.4 | 1,884 | 65.4 | 1,339 | 47.6 | 51.0 | 44.5 | 28.2 | 26.7 | 20.8 | 10.0 | 1.8 | 3.5 | 877 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0 | 43.5 | 2,583 | 67.1 | 1,723 | 47.3 | 51.9 | 41.6 | 27.0 | 26.7 | 19.3 | 8.7 | 1.8 | 3.7 | 1,142 |
| $1+$ | 39.7 | 192 | 65.9 | 131 | 61.3 | 63.1 | 40.5 | 28.3 | 25.2 | 15.8 | 4.7 | 0.5 | 4.3 | 77 |
| Education level (in years) ${ }^{+}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-9 | 41.3 | 687 | 69.7 | 543 | 43.2 | 46.7 | 43.2 | 27.2 | 25.7 | 23.9 | 11.0 | 2.1 | 7.1 | 364 |
| 10-12 | 43.3 | 1,944 | 66.0 | 1,227 | 49.7 | 55.3 | 42.0 | 27.6 | 27.2 | 17.7 | 7.6 | 1.5 | 2.0 | 803 |
| 13 or more | 54.6 | 130 | 68.1 | 76 | 62.7 | 54.5 | 19.4 | 18.5 | 23.4 | 7.3 | 5.8 | 2.4 | 7.4 | 49 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 43.6 | 632 | 68.1 | 460 | 41.2 | 51.3 | 46.1 | 34.6 | 27.6 | 19.8 | 9.1 | 3.3 | 4.4 | 304 |
| Second | 39.8 | 620 | 73.7 | 437 | 46.7 | 47.4 | 48.4 | 29.4 | 29.6 | 16.0 | 7.4 | 0.9 | 3.3 | 309 |
| Middle | 39.9 | 512 | 63.0 | 362 | 49.1 | 52.6 | 42.9 | 25.4 | 28.9 | 15.4 | 6.9 | 0.4 | 4.6 | 239 |
| Fourth | 48.8 | 538 | 65.6 | 309 | 56.6 | 56.1 | 31.0 | 28.1 | 22.9 | 22.3 | 10.9 | 2.2 | 1.8 | 192 |
| Highest | 44.4 | 473 | 63.7 | 286 | 50.4 | 59.3 | 34.1 | 14.1 | 21.3 | 24.0 | 8.7 | 2.0 | 4.2 | 175 |

+Excludes 8 men with missing information on education.

| Table 15.3A <br> Percentage of Women Aged 15-49 Years Who Witnessed or Experienced Parental Physical Abuse before Age 15 by Selected Characteristics Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Characteristic | Witnessed Physical Abuse |  | Experienced Abuse |  |
|  | \% | No. of Cases* | \% | No. of Cases |
| Total | 18.0 | 7,629 | 61.2 | 8,259 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 16.5 | 1,152 | 56.0 | 1,198 |
| Other Urban | 18.5 | 2,101 | 62.4 | 2,283 |
| Rural | 18.3 | 4,376 | 62.7 | 4,778 |
| Health region |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 17.4 | 2,213 | 59.2 | 2,340 |
| 2 | 18.0 | 1,680 | 61.5 | 1,761 |
| 3 | 15.2 | 2,088 | 61.7 | 2,313 |
| 4 | 22.1 | 1,648 | 65.0 | 1,845 |
| Parish |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston | 19.7 | 617 |  | 644 |
| St.Andrew | 15.7 | 614 | 61.0 | 636 |
| St.Thomas | 20.1 | 451 | 47.4 | 504 |
| Portland | 16.7 | 485 | 60.7 | 516 |
| St.Mary | 14.3 | 503 | 48.0 | 542 |
| St.Ann | 21.2 | 692 | 72.3 | 703 |
| Trelawny | 16.4 | 449 | 63.1 | 516 |
| St.James | 13.2 | 563 | 56.5 | 635 |
| Hanover | 7.9 | 533 | 81.6 | 541 |
| Westmoreland | 20.7 | 543 | 57.6 | 621 |
| St.Elizabeth | 22.7 | 427 | 50.4 | 528 |
| Manchester | 20.5 | 635 | 78.4 | 668 |
| Clarendon | 23.2 | 586 | 63.3 | 649 |
| St.Catherine | 18.3 | 531 | 61.4 | 556 |
| Age group |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 12.2 | 1,124 | 63.3 | 1,229 |
| 20-24 | 20.2 | 1,037 | 62.0 | 1,114 |
| 25-34 | 20.2 | 2,378 | 60.8 | 2,569 |
| 35-49 | 18.1 | 3,090 | 60.1 | 3,347 |
| Education level (in years) ${ }^{\top}$ |  |  |  |  |
| 0-9 | 21.9 | 1,979 | 62.8 | 2,183 |
| 10-12 | 16.8 | 4,688 | 60.1 | 5,078 |
| 13 or more | 17.4 | 960 | 63.8 | 995 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 21.6 | 1,792 | 62.4 | 2,001 |
| Second | 21.1 | 1,566 | 61.2 | 1,716 |
| Middle | 16.2 | 1,564 | 61.2 | 1,668 |
| Fourth | 17.1 | 1,543 | 61.0 | 1,650 |
| Highest | 14.5 | 1,164 | 60.3 | 1,224 |

[^124]| Table 15.3BPercentage of Men Aged 15-24 Years Who Witnessed or Experienced Parental Physical Abusebefore Age 15 by Selected CharacteristicsReproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Characteristic | Witnessed Abuse | No. of Cases* | Experienced Abuse | No. of Cases |
| Total | 13.7 | 2,538 | 57.6 | 2,775 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 23.8 | 361 | 50.4 | 380 |
| Other Urban | 15.1 | 683 | 63.7 | 759 |
| Rural | 9.6 | 1,494 | 56.1 | 1,636 |
| Health region |  |  |  | 789 |
| 1 | 21.0 | 753 | 58.3 |  |
| 2 | 10.0 | 487 | 50.4 | 552 |
| 3 | 8.8 | 746 | 70.2 | 775 |
| 4 | 9.1 | 552 | 47.6 | 659 |
| Parish |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston | 27.5 | 196 | 52.7 | 209 |
| St.Andrew | 23.5 | 194 | 56.4 | 201 |
| St.Thomas | 13.4 | 202 | 34.0 | 212 |
| Portland | 11.9 | 163 | 52.9 | 182 |
| St.Mary | 8.1 | 169 | 54.0 | 186 |
| St.Ann | 10.6 | 155 | 46.1 | 184 |
| Trelawny | 15.0 | 162 | 51.9 | 170 |
| St.James | 7.4 | 215 | 73.2 | 215 |
| Hanover | 15.9 | 167 | 55.5 | 181 |
| Westmoreland | 4.8 | 202 | 81.3 | 209 |
| St.Elizabeth | 9.7 | 196 | 18.2 | 217 |
| Manchester | 3.6 | 168 | 65.5 | 236 |
| Clarendon | 13.6 | 188 | 53.5 | 206 |
| St.Catherine | 18.4 | 161 | 66.7 | 167 |
| Age group |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 13.3 | 1,521 | 56.9 | 1,652 |
| 20-24 | 14.2 | 1,017 | 58.5 | 1,123 |
| Education level (in years) ${ }^{\dagger}$ |  |  |  |  |
| 0-9 | 16.3 | 625 | 58.3 | 687 |
| 10-12 | 12.6 | 1,785 | 57.2 | 1,944 |
| 13 or more | 16.8 | 114 | 59.4 | 130 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 12.2 | 570 | 56.5 | 632 |
| Second | 18.0 | 570 | 61.0 | 620 |
| Middle | 14.9 | 469 | 60.1 | 512 |
| Fourth | 14.3 | 496 | 57.2 | 538 |
| Highest | 8.7 | 433 | 52.6 | 473 |

[^125]| Table 15.4.1AExperience of Selected Controlling Behaviors by Their Intimate Partners among Ever-partnered Women Aged 15-49 Yearsby Type of Behavior and Selected CharacteristicsReproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Characteristic | Controlling Behaviors by a Currrent or Previous Husband or Partner |  |  |  |  |  | lumber of Controlling Behaviors Experience |  |  |  | No. of Cases |
|  | Wanted to Know Where She Was at All Times | Was Angry If She Spoke with Another Man | Was Suspicious that She Was Unfaithful | Ignored Her or Treated Her Indiferently | Restricted Her Contact with Family or Friends | Controlled Her Access to Health Care | 0 | 1 | 2-3 | 4 or More |  |
| Total | 34.7 | 30.2 | 19.9 | 11.9 | 7.2 | 4.2 | 52.3 | 17.9 | 21.2 | 8.6 | 7,222 |
| Residence U/R |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Urban | 33.2 | 27.4 | 18.9 | 11.4 | 7.1 | 3.4 | 54.1 | 18.7 | 18.9 | 8.3 | 3,078 |
| Rural | 36.8 | 34.0 | 21.4 | 12.5 | 7.3 | 5.2 | 49.7 | 16.9 | 24.2 | 9.1 | 4,144 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 38.9 | 27.4 | 18.9 | 11.3 | 4.8 | 3.1 | 48.4 | 24.4 | 20.5 | 6.7 | 1,031 |
| Other urban | 30.0 | 27.4 | 18.9 | 11.4 | 8.4 | 3.6 | 57.3 | 15.6 | 18.0 | 9.2 | 2,047 |
| Rural | 36.8 | 34.0 | 21.4 | 12.5 | 7.3 | 5.2 | 49.7 | 16.9 | 24.2 | 9.1 | 4,144 |
| Parish Kingston | 42.4 | 35.4 | 25.2 | 13.5 | 5.9 | 1.3 | 43.4 | 20.0 | 28.3 | 8.4 | 561 |
| St.Andrew | 39.9 | 24.7 | 16.8 | 10.2 | 4.1 | 4.1 | 49.0 | 26.3 | 18.1 | 6.5 | 537 |
| St.Thomas | 39.5 | 34.3 | 18.8 | 5.1 | 6.6 | 2.9 | 48.7 | 18.0 | 27.8 | 5.4 | 446 |
| Portland | 33.1 | 31.4 | 15.7 | 10.1 | 9.4 | 2.5 | 50.4 | 22.1 | 18.9 | 8.5 | 443 |
| St.Mary | 19.3 | 23.8 | 13.6 | 5.9 | 3.1 | 2.0 | 70.4 | 10.8 | 15.0 | 3.9 | 466 |
| St.Ann | 46.6 | 43.9 | 23.9 | 26.0 | 9.7 | 5.1 | 40.1 | 14.0 | 31.8 | 14.2 | 613 |
| Trelawny | 32.9 | 29.0 | 11.4 | 6.2 | 7.7 | 3.8 | 56.3 | 19.1 | 17.3 | 7.3 | 457 |
| St.James | 43.0 | 43.5 | 26.7 | 22.3 | 16.1 | 1.9 | 43.7 | 14.3 | 24.9 | 17.1 | 562 |
| Hanover | 12.9 | 10.7 | 10.8 | 3.7 | 3.4 | 2.0 | 79.9 | 8.6 | 8.5 | 3.0 | 445 |
| Westmoreland | 20.2 | 19.3 | 10.6 | 5.9 | 2.5 | 0.5 | 70.7 | 12.7 | 12.9 | 3.7 | 525 |
| St.Elizabeth | 35.2 | 37.4 | 23.7 | 10.6 | 6.5 | 8.6 | 44.6 | 19.0 | 28.7 | 7.7 | 477 |
| Manchester | 34.4 | 34.2 | 28.7 | 13.4 | 7.9 | 4.0 | 50.3 | 12.6 | 28.1 | 8.9 | 603 |
| Clarendon | 44.7 | 42.7 | 27.1 | 16.1 | 10.4 | 9.6 | 35.5 | 21.1 | 31.1 | 12.2 | 602 |
| St.Catherine | 28.1 | 23.3 | 18.3 | 9.4 | 7.4 | 4.0 | 60.6 | 16.3 | 14.6 | 8.5 | 485 |
| Age Group |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-24 | 40.0 | 33.8 | 22.3 | 9.5 | 6.2 | 5.1 | 45.3 | 23.4 | 22.7 | 8.7 | 1,448 |
| 25-34 | 33.9 | 30.6 | 20.4 | 12.5 | 7.1 | 4.0 | 52.7 | 16.6 | 22.2 | 8.4 | 2,504 |
| 35-49 | 32.1 | 27.7 | 18.1 | 12.7 | 7.9 | 3.7 | 56.2 | 15.8 | 19.2 | 8.8 | 3,270 |
| Current union status |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Currently legally married | 25.0 | 19.1 | 9.6 | 10.0 | 6.1 | 2.7 | 65.5 | 15.8 | 13.6 | 5.1 | 1,441 |
| Currently in consensual union | 36.4 | 33.3 | 19.7 | 12.7 | 7.7 | 5.1 | 49.2 | 19.5 | 21.9 | 9.3 | 2,158 |
| Currently in visiting partnership | 38.9 | 32.8 | 23.7 | 10.1 | 6.2 | 4.2 | 48.3 | 18.4 | 24.5 | 8.8 | 2,279 |
| Previously married/partnered | 33.3 | 31.0 | 22.4 | 15.6 | 9.4 | 4.2 | 52.0 | 16.8 | 20.6 | 10.7 | 1,344 |
| Education level (in years)* 0-9 | 41.1 | 36.2 | 23.7 | 15.4 | 10.5 | 7.0 | 44.6 | 18.1 | 25.5 | 11.7 | 1,905 |
| 10-12 | 34.6 | 30.5 | 20.0 | 10.8 | 6.8 | 3.8 | 52.2 | 18.5 | 21.2 | 8.2 | 4,428 |
| 13 or more | 24.7 | 19.1 | 13.4 | 10.7 | 3.9 | 1.3 | 65.0 | 15.2 | 13.9 | 5.8 | 886 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 39.8 | 37.6 | 25.9 | 14.9 | 9.7 | 5.9 | 45.6 | 16.3 | 26.0 | 12.1 | 1,823 |
| Second | 38.5 | 33.6 | 23.6 | 13.5 | 8.4 | 4.7 | 48.5 | 17.6 | 23.1 | 10.8 | 1,541 |
| Middle | 39.5 | 34.4 | 22.2 | 12.6 | 7.8 | 4.6 | 48.2 | 18.2 | 23.5 | 10.1 | 1,444 |
| Fourth | 29.0 | 25.6 | 14.8 | 10.3 | 4.2 | 3.2 | 57.5 | 18.5 | 18.9 | 5.2 | 1,399 |
| Highest | 26.0 | 18.5 | 12.4 | 7.4 | 5.7 | 2.2 | 62.7 | 19.3 | 13.4 | 4.5 | 1,015 |
| Partner Verbal Abuse |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Ever had | 48.7 | 50.5 | 37.5 | 26.6 | 15.7 | 7.0 | 32.0 | 16.5 | 31.6 | 20.0 | 2,382 |
| Never had | 28.5 | 21.2 | 12.1 | 5.3 | 3.4 | 2.9 | 61.3 | 18.6 | 16.5 | 3.6 | 4,840 |
| Partner Physical Abuse |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Ever had | 55.7 | 56.6 | 44.8 | 29.0 | 21.3 | 8.6 | 25.0 | 16.2 | 33.0 | 25.8 | 1,383 |
| Never had | 30.4 | 24.7 | 14.8 | 8.3 | 4.3 | 3.2 | 57.9 | 18.3 | 18.7 | 5.1 | 5,839 |
| Partner Sexual Abuse |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Ever had | 56.7 | 55.6 | 45.2 | 34.1 | 21.7 | 8.9 | 26.2 | 14.4 | 32.4 | 27.1 | 625 |
| Never had | 32.8 | 28.0 | 17.8 | 10.0 | 6.0 | 3.8 | 54.5 | 18.2 | 20.2 | 7.1 | 6,597 |

*Excludes 3 women with missing information on education.


[^126]| Table 15.4.2APrevalence of Lifetime and Current (during the Last 12 Months) Intimate Partner Violence (IPV) by a Current or Former Partneramong Ever-partnered Women Aged 15-49 Years by Type of Violence and Selected CharacteristicsReproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Characteristic | Type of IPV Experienced during Lifetime |  |  |  |  |  | Type of IPV Experienced during the Last 12 Months |  |  |  |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { No. of } \\ & \text { Cases } \end{aligned}$ |
|  | Verbal | Physical | Sexual | Any Type of Violence | Physical or Sexual Violence | All Three Types of Violence | Verbal | Physical | Sexual | Any Type <br> of <br> Violence | Physical or Sexual Violence | All Three Types of Violence |  |
| Total | 30.8 | 17.2 | 7.8 | 35.4 | 19.7 | 4.6 | 14.7 | 6.5 | 2.8 | 16.9 | 7.7 | 1.2 | 7,222 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Urban | 29.0 | 17.3 | 7.9 | 34.2 | 20.1 | 4.3 | 14.4 | 7.2 | 3.0 | 16.8 | 8.4 | 1.3 | 3,078 |
| Rural | 33.3 | 17.0 | 7.6 | 37.0 | 19.2 | 4.9 | 15.2 | 5.4 | 2.5 | 17.0 | 6.6 | 1.2 | 4,144 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 22.7 | 16.8 | 6.2 | 28.9 | 19.0 | 3.3 | 11.2 | 7.1 | 3.0 | 14.6 | 8.3 | 0.9 | 1,031 |
| Other urban | 32.4 | 17.6 | 8.8 | 37.1 | 20.7 | 4.9 | 16.2 | 7.3 | 3.1 | 18.0 | 8.5 | 1.5 | 2,047 |
| Rural | 33.3 | 17.0 | 7.6 | 37.0 | 19.2 | 4.9 | 15.2 | 5.4 | 2.5 | 17.0 | 6.6 | 1.2 | 4,144 |
| Parish |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston | 24.0 | 27.3 | 7.2 | 36.1 | 29.2 | 4.0 | 11.9 | 11.6 | 4.1 | 17.3 | 13.2 | 2.0 | 561 |
| St.Andrew | 20.0 | 12.9 | 5.3 | 24.4 | 14.9 | 2.7 | 9.7 | 5.3 | 2.4 | 12.3 | 6.4 | 0.6 | 537 |
| St.Thomas | 28.1 | 13.6 | 5.2 | 33.5 | 14.7 | 3.6 | 17.2 | 5.2 | 2.8 | 18.5 | 5.8 | 2.1 | 446 |
| Portland | 32.8 | 24.1 | 11.6 | 41.8 | 27.8 | 6.4 | 12.7 | 11.1 | 3.8 | 17.8 | 11.6 | 1.3 | 443 |
| St.Mary | 19.6 | 7.2 | 3.8 | 20.6 | 7.4 | 3.5 | 7.0 | 2.9 | 2.0 | 7.6 | 3.3 | 1.6 | 466 |
| St.Ann | 60.5 | 22.7 | 9.9 | 62.8 | 25.0 | 7.2 | 32.7 | 7.0 | 3.8 | 33.3 | 8.4 | 2.0 | 613 |
| Trelawny | 12.1 | 13.0 | 4.6 | 19.0 | 14.8 | 2.7 | 3.6 | 3.5 | 0.9 | 5.9 | 3.7 | 0.7 | 457 |
| St.James | 40.4 | 17.7 | 8.7 | 42.2 | 19.7 | 6.4 | 19.1 | 7.9 | 1.9 | 20.8 | 8.2 | 1.5 | 562 |
| Hanover | 22.5 | 10.2 | 4.1 | 24.0 | 11.1 | 2.7 | 6.7 | 3.0 | 1.1 | 8.0 | 3.7 | 0.4 | 445 |
| Westmoreland | 30.2 | 16.1 | 7.5 | 33.1 | 18.0 | 5.3 | 7.9 | 4.3 | 0.8 | 8.9 | 5.0 | 0.1 | 525 |
| St.Elizabeth | 33.3 | 17.9 | 13.2 | 38.7 | 23.2 | 7.3 | 16.1 | 5.6 | 3.6 | 18.9 | 8.2 | 0.9 | 477 |
| Manchester | 41.0 | 24.0 | 7.3 | 45.4 | 25.5 | 5.4 | 18.6 | 6.2 | 1.3 | 19.5 | 6.8 | 0.7 | 603 |
| Clarendon | 39.3 | 25.4 | 13.4 | 46.1 | 29.7 | 7.8 | 19.8 | 9.2 | 6.5 | 24.1 | 13.0 | 2.4 | 602 |
| St.Catherine | 29.0 | 15.2 | 7.3 | 33.8 | 18.4 | 3.0 | 15.9 | 7.1 | 2.9 | 17.4 | 8.1 | 1.6 | 485 |
| Age Group |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-24 | 26.9 | 14.1 | 6.6 | 30.4 | 16.3 | 3.9 | 16.6 | 9.1 | 3.7 | 19.3 | 10.6 | 2.0 | 1,448 |
| 25-34 | 32.8 | 18.8 | 9.1 | 38.2 | 21.8 | 5.3 | 16.6 | 7.5 | 3.0 | 19.4 | 8.5 | 1.3 | 2,504 |
| 35-49 | 31.4 | 17.7 | 7.3 | 36.1 | 19.9 | 4.4 | 11.9 | 3.9 | 2.0 | 13.1 | 5.1 | 0.7 | 3,270 |
| Current union status |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Currently legally married | 24.7 | 11.0 | 6.4 | 27.9 | 13.3 | 3.8 | 13.4 | 3.5 | 2.0 | 14.2 | 4.3 | 1.0 | 1,441 |
| Currently in consensual union | 33.3 | 20.1 | 7.9 | 38.3 | 22.0 | 5.0 | 20.8 | 9.8 | 3.0 | 23.1 | 10.8 | 1.7 | 2,158 |
| Currently in visiting partnership | 31.8 | 17.5 | 8.4 | 36.7 | 20.5 | 4.6 | 13.8 | 6.4 | 3.0 | 16.7 | 7.8 | 0.9 | 2,279 |
| Previously married/partnered | 31.1 | 18.3 | 7.7 | 35.8 | 20.7 | 4.8 | 9.3 | 4.7 | 2.9 | 10.8 | 6.1 | 1.4 | 1,344 |
| No. of children born alive |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0 | 22.8 | 9.5 | 5.8 | 25.7 | 11.5 | 3.3 | 13.4 | 5.7 | 3.1 | 15.4 | 6.6 | 1.4 | 1,208 |
| 1 | 29.3 | 15.6 | 8.5 | 34.2 | 19.3 | 4.1 | 13.7 | 6.5 | 3.2 | 16.4 | 8.4 | 1.2 | 1,686 |
| 2 | 28.7 | 15.8 | 6.3 | 33.4 | 18.1 | 3.6 | 13.6 | 5.8 | 2.3 | 15.3 | 6.7 | 1.0 | 1,626 |
| 3 | 34.2 | 20.8 | 6.9 | 40.0 | 22.4 | 4.6 | 15.0 | 5.6 | 1.9 | 16.7 | 6.6 | 0.9 | 1,105 |
| 4 or more | 41.9 | 27.0 | 11.4 | 47.0 | 29.4 | 7.8 | 18.8 | 8.7 | 3.0 | 21.1 | 9.9 | 1.5 | 1,597 |
| Education level (in years)* |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-9 | 38.3 | 25.4 | 10.7 | 43.6 | 27.8 | 7.4 | 19.1 | 8.1 | 3.7 | 20.7 | 9.4 | 2.2 | 1,905 |
| 10-12 | 30.0 | 15.6 | 7.2 | 34.6 | 18.0 | 4.1 | 14.4 | 6.5 | 2.7 | 16.9 | 7.8 | 1.0 | 4,428 |
| 13 or more | 22.5 | 11.1 | 5.8 | 26.1 | 14.3 | 2.2 | 9.3 | 3.8 | 1.6 | 10.6 | 4.5 | 0.6 | 886 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  | 0.0 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 40.6 | 23.5 | 10.3 | 45.6 | 25.8 | 7.5 | 20.0 | 8.6 | 4.1 | 22.3 | 10.0 | 2.5 | 1,823 |
| Second | 36.2 | 22.6 | 9.6 | 41.4 | 25.0 | 5.7 | 17.8 | 9.2 | 4.0 | 20.6 | 11.2 | 1.8 | 1,541 |
| Middle | 31.1 | 16.2 | 6.7 | 35.7 | 18.5 | 4.1 | 16.1 | 6.9 | 2.3 | 18.4 | 8.1 | 0.8 | 1,444 |
| Fourth | 24.0 | 12.8 | 6.4 | 28.5 | 15.4 | 3.1 | 10.5 | 4.2 | 2.0 | 12.3 | 4.9 | 0.7 | 1,399 |
| Highest <br> Witnessed parental physical abuse before age 15 | 20.8 | 10.0 | 5.5 | 24.6 | 13.1 | 2.3 | 8.5 | 3.2 | 1.3 | 10.0 | 3.9 | 0.2 | 1,015 |
| Ever Had | 45.6 | 29.3 | 12.9 | 52.8 | 32.7 | 8.0 | 23.4 | 11.3 | 5.2 | 26.9 | 13.2 | 2.3 | 1,317 |
| Never Had | 27.6 | 14.2 | 6.5 | 31.4 | 16.6 | 3.7 | 13.0 | 5.4 | 2.4 | 14.9 | 6.5 | 1.0 | 5,343 |
| Experienced parental physical abuse before age 15 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Ever Had | 34.8 | 20.5 | 8.4 | 40.1 | 23.0 | 5.1 | 16.9 | 7.6 | 2.9 | 19.4 | 8.9 | 1.3 | 5,101 |
| Never Had | 21.4 | 9.4 | 6.2 | 24.4 | 11.8 | 3.4 | 9.6 | 3.7 | 2.5 | 10.8 | 4.7 | 1.2 | 2,121 |

* Excludes 3 women with missing information on education.

| Table 15.4.2B <br> Prevalence of Lifetime and Current (during the Last 12 Months) Intimate Partner Violence Perpetrated on Former or Current Partners among Ever-partnered Men Aged 15-24 Years by Type of Violence and Selected Characteristics <br> Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Characteristic | Type of IPV Perpetrated during Lifetime |  |  |  |  |  | Type of IPV in the Last Year |  |  |  |  |  | No. of Cases |
|  | Verbal | Physical | Sexual | Any Type of Violence | Physical or <br> Sexual <br> Violence$\|$ | All Three <br> Types of Violence | Verbal | Physical | Sexual | Any Type <br> of <br> Violence | Physical or Sexual Violence | All Three Types of Violence |  |
| Total | 18.8 | 12.0 | 3.9 | 25.6 | 14.2 | 0.8 | 13.2 | 9.1 | 2.5 | 18.4 | 10.6 | 0.6 | 891 |
| Residence U/R |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Urban | 19.2 | 14.1 | 5.2 | 27.2 | 16.7 | 0.9 | 14.7 | 11.2 | 3.3 | 21.6 | 13.3 | 0.6 | 407 |
| Rural | 18.3 | 9.7 | 2.4 | 23.8 | 11.5 | 0.7 | 11.5 | 6.7 | 1.6 | 15.0 | 7.8 | 0.6 | 484 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 14.9 | 15.0 | 7.8 | 30.0 | 19.6 | 1.4 | 9.9 | 13.1 | 7.5 | 25.3 | 17.4 | 1.4 | 165 |
| Other urban | 22.0 | 13.5 | 3.6 | 25.4 | 14.8 | 0.6 | 17.7 | 10.0 | 0.7 | 19.1 | 10.7 | 0.0 | 242 |
| Rural | 18.3 | 9.7 | 2.4 | 23.8 | 11.5 | 0.7 | 11.5 | 6.7 | 1.6 | 15.0 | 7.8 | 0.6 | 484 |
| Parish |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston | 16.9 | 16.0 | 9.3 | 30.8 | 21.3 | 2.0 | 10.0 | 12.3 | 7.8 | 21.3 | 16.1 | 2.0 | 101 |
| St.Andrew | 17.1 | 16.6 | 5.4 | 28.3 | 19.8 | 0.9 | 12.6 | 14.4 | 5.4 | 24.7 | 17.6 | 0.9 | 85 |
| St.Thomas | 27.4 | 9.4 | 3.2 | 34.7 | 12.2 | 0.4 | 14.4 | 5.5 | 0.0 | 18.6 | 5.5 | 0.0 | 82 |
| Portland | 7.5 | 5.7 | 3.2 | 10.7 | 8.9 | 0.0 | 7.5 | 5.7 | 1.8 | 10.7 | 7.5 | 0.0 | 52 |
| St.Mary | 3.5 | 3.2 | 0.0 | 5.4 | 3.2 | 0.0 | 1.3 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.3 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 62 |
| St.Ann | 36.7 | 11.6 | 6.6 | 44.5 | 18.2 | 0.0 | 28.0 | 11.6 | 2.7 | 32.0 | 14.3 | 0.0 | 45 |
| Trelawny | 21.2 | 18.1 | 6.8 | 23.8 | 18.1 | 6.8 | 11.9 | 11.5 | 4.3 | 14.4 | 11.5 | 4.3 | 32 |
| St.James | 23.1 | 15.9 | 1.8 | 26.3 | 15.9 | 1.8 | 17.8 | 12.9 | 0.0 | 21.0 | 12.9 | 0.0 | 73 |
| Hanover | 15.0 | 13.6 | 11.7 | 22.5 | 13.6 | 6.1 | 9.2 | 13.6 | 6.1 | 16.7 | 13.6 | 6.1 | 47 |
| Westmoreland | 12.5 | 9.7 | 8.5 | 23.9 | 12.7 | 0.0 | 5.8 | 4.2 | 2.9 | 11.7 | 7.1 | 0.0 | 51 |
| St.Elizabeth | 15.8 | 4.9 | 2.2 | 20.2 | 7.1 | 0.0 | 10.5 | 2.2 | 1.3 | 12.6 | 3.5 | 0.0 | 119 |
| Manchester | 18.8 | 7.5 | 0.0 | 21.1 | 7.5 | 0.0 | 12.3 | 2.3 | 0.0 | 14.5 | 2.3 | 0.0 | 44 |
| Clarendon | 29.4 | 10.0 | 1.9 | 35.7 | 11.9 | 0.0 | 19.6 | 7.7 | 1.9 | 23.6 | 9.6 | 0.0 | 36 |
| St.Catherine | 22.0 | 13.9 | 1.9 | 26.7 | 15.8 | 0.0 | 17.2 | 10.5 | 1.0 | 18.5 | 11.5 | 0.0 | 62 |
| Age group |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-17 | 13.8 | 0.9 | 0.0 | 14.2 | 0.9 | 0.0 | 9.2 | 0.9 | 0.0 | 9.6 | 0.9 | 0.0 | 69 |
| 18-19 | 18.0 | 8.0 | 5.0 | 21.9 | 10.6 | 2.2 | 13.7 | 5.7 | 2.4 | 17.9 | 6.8 | 1.0 | 170 |
| 20-24 | 19.6 | 14.3 | 4.1 | 27.9 | 16.7 | 0.5 | 13.5 | 10.9 | 2.8 | 19.5 | 12.8 | 0.5 | 652 |
| Current union status |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Married (legal, consensual) | 31.8 | 26.9 | 6.8 | 42.0 | 28.7 | 3.0 | 25.1 | 19.7 | 2.9 | 30.4 | 20.7 | 1.9 | 162 |
| In visiting relationship | 16.9 | 9.8 | 3.8 | 23.5 | 12.6 | 0.2 | 11.3 | 7.6 | 2.8 | 17.1 | 9.7 | 0.1 | 554 |
| Previously married/partnered | 14.2 | 6.6 | 1.7 | 18.8 | 7.4 | 1.0 | 9.1 | 5.0 | 1.2 | 12.4 | 5.3 | 1.0 | 175 |
| No. of live births |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0 | 16.9 | 9.8 | 4.2 | 23.4 | 12.1 | 0.9 | 11.8 | 7.5 | 2.7 | 17.1 | 9.1 | 0.6 | 718 |
| $1+$ | 26.8 | 21.3 | 2.7 | 34.5 | 22.8 | 0.2 | 19.0 | 15.6 | 1.7 | 23.6 | 17.1 | 0.2 | 173 |
| Education level (in years) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-9 | 21.3 | 14.6 | 4.0 | 27.9 | 16.0 | 0.0 | 10.2 | 10.6 | 0.6 | 15.4 | 11.2 | 0.0 | 131 |
| 10-12 | 18.2 | 12.0 | 4.2 | 25.4 | 14.5 | 1.0 | 13.9 | 9.4 | 3.0 | 19.4 | 11.2 | 0.7 | 694 |
| 13 or more | 20.0 | 7.2 | 0.0 | 22.5 | 7.2 | 0.0 | 9.1 | 2.7 | 0.0 | 10.3 | 2.7 | 0.0 | 60 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 23.0 | 10.7 | 4.3 | 27.5 | 12.6 | 0.4 | 14.6 | 6.2 | 1.8 | 18.1 | 7.7 | 0.3 | 182 |
| Second | 16.2 | 5.7 | 3.2 | 20.4 | 7.4 | 0.4 | 7.0 | 3.8 | 0.9 | 9.5 | 4.5 | 0.3 | 187 |
| Middle | 21.0 | 19.3 | 1.7 | 28.6 | 20.0 | 1.1 | 17.9 | 16.6 | 1.7 | 23.7 | 17.2 | 1.1 | 176 |
| Fourth | 11.2 | 10.2 | 5.3 | 21.1 | 13.2 | 0.8 | 7.9 | 8.9 | 4.3 | 17.5 | 11.7 | 0.0 | 197 |
| Highest | 23.9 | 12.8 | 4.9 | 30.7 | 16.6 | 1.1 | 18.6 | 8.1 | 3.4 | 22.1 | 10.5 | 1.1 | 149 |
| Witnessed parental physical abuse before age 15 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Ever Had | 23.5 | 19.1 | 7.4 | 36.6 | 20.9 | 2.9 | 20.1 | 16.0 | 5.0 | 32.4 | 17.5 | 1.9 | 135 |
| Never Had | 17.9 | 11.0 | 3.3 | 23.7 | 13.4 | 0.4 | 11.9 | 8.2 | 2.1 | 15.9 | 9.8 | 0.3 | 700 |
| Experienced parental physical abuse before age 15 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Ever Had | 21.0 | 15.0 | 4.0 | 27.9 | 16.9 | 0.9 | 15.1 | 11.5 | 2.5 | 20.7 | 13.0 | 0.7 | 566 |
| Never Had | 13.7 | 5.1 | 3.7 | 20.2 | 8.1 | 0.4 | 8.8 | 3.6 | 2.4 | 13.1 | 5.4 | 0.3 | 325 |

[^127]| Table 15.4.3 <br> Specific Acts of Verbal and Physical Violence Experienced by Ever-partnered Women Aged 15-49 Years during Lifetime by Selected Characteristics <br> Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Characteristic | Verbal Violence |  |  |  | Physical Violence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Insults | Threats | Total | $\begin{aligned} & \hline \text { No. of } \\ & \text { Cases } \end{aligned}$ | Slapped | Was Hit with Fist or an Object | Pushed or Shoved | Was Beaten up | Threatened with a Weapon | Choked | Total | $\begin{aligned} & \hline \text { No. of } \\ & \text { Cases } \end{aligned}$ |
| Total | 28.3 | 11.4 | 30.8 | 7,222 | 13.1 | 11.7 | 9.2 | 6.0 | 4.3 | 3.1 | 17.2 | 7,222 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 20.3 | 6.3 | 22.7 | 1,031 | 11.2 | 10.3 | 7.8 | 4.2 | 3.2 | 2.8 | 16.8 | 1,031 |
| Other urban | 29.5 | 12.2 | 32.4 | 2,047 | 13.7 | 12.1 | 10.2 | 6.8 | 4.9 | 3.5 | 17.6 | 2,047 |
| Rural | 31.1 | 13.2 | 33.3 | 4,144 | 13.5 | 12.0 | 9.0 | 6.1 | 4.4 | 2.8 | 17.0 | 4,144 |
| Parish |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston | 20.4 | 10.3 | 24.0 | 561 | 17.4 | 15.9 | 13.6 | 7.2 | 5.9 | 4.0 | 27.3 | 561 |
| St. Andrew | 18.0 | 5.0 | 20.0 | 537 | 8.9 | 7.9 | 5.7 | 3.1 | 2.3 | 2.3 | 12.9 | 537 |
| St. Thomas | 26.5 | 8.2 | 28.1 | 446 | 5.5 | 11.4 | 5.7 | 2.4 | 2.2 | 1.1 | 13.6 | 446 |
| Portland | 29.5 | 15.6 | 32.8 | 443 | 19.4 | 13.5 | 10.6 | 6.3 | 5.0 | 3.2 | 24.1 | 443 |
| St. Mary | 18.5 | 4.9 | 19.6 | 466 | 5.6 | 5.8 | 4.4 | 3.3 | 1.2 | 1.4 | 7.2 | 466 |
| St. Ann | 57.3 | 27.5 | 60.5 | 613 | 19.8 | 15.0 | 14.2 | 8.1 | 5.2 | 2.2 | 22.7 | 613 |
| Trelawny | 12.0 | 3.9 | 12.1 | 457 | 10.3 | 8.8 | 4.0 | 4.5 | 1.8 | 1.5 | 13.0 | 457 |
| St. James | 37.8 | 18.2 | 40.4 | 562 | 16.1 | 13.3 | 11.2 | 5.3 | 4.0 | 3.7 | 17.7 | 562 |
| Hanover | 20.8 | 10.1 | 22.5 | 445 | 7.7 | 5.9 | 5.6 | 2.5 | 2.2 | 1.9 | 10.2 | 445 |
| Westmoreland | 28.1 | 7.7 | 30.2 | 525 | 10.8 | 12.3 | 6.3 | 8.2 | 4.4 | 2.5 | 16.1 | 525 |
| St. Elizabeth | 30.6 | 13.7 | 33.3 | 477 | 13.9 | 11.4 | 10.3 | 6.6 | 5.1 | 3.5 | 17.9 | 477 |
| Manchester | 38.8 | 15.7 | 41.0 | 603 | 19.3 | 19.7 | 15.7 | 12.6 | 11.0 | 6.1 | 24.0 | 603 |
| Clarendon | 34.7 | 17.7 | 39.3 | 602 | 18.9 | 16.8 | 13.2 | 8.8 | 6.4 | 4.1 | 25.4 | 602 |
| St. Catherine | 26.4 | 9.4 | 29.0 | 485 | 12.1 | 9.9 | 8.7 | 5.5 | 3.7 | 3.3 | 15.2 | 485 |
| Age group |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-24 | 23.0 | 10.7 | 26.9 | 1,448 | 11.3 | 9.5 | 8.2 | 5.8 | 3.8 | 3.4 | 14.1 | 1,448 |
| 25-34 | 30.1 | 12.6 | 32.8 | 2,504 | 13.7 | 12.9 | 9.8 | 6.1 | 4.2 | 3.1 | 18.8 | 2,504 |
| 35-49 | 30.0 | 10.8 | 31.4 | 3,270 | 13.7 | 11.9 | 9.3 | 6.1 | 4.7 | 2.9 | 17.7 | 3,270 |
| Current union status |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Currently legally married | 24.1 | 6.7 | 24.7 | 1,441 | 8.8 | 7.7 | 6.7 | 3.3 | 2.6 | 1.5 | 11.0 | 1,441 |
| Currently in consensual union | 30.4 | 12.2 | 33.3 | 2,158 | 15.0 | 14.3 | 11.1 | 6.8 | 4.1 | 3.3 | 20.1 | 2,158 |
| Currently in visiting partnership | 28.8 | 12.5 | 31.8 | 2,279 | 13.1 | 11.5 | 8.7 | 5.8 | 4.5 | 3.4 | 17.5 | 2,279 |
| Previously married/partnered | 28.3 | 12.4 | 31.1 | 1,344 | 14.3 | 12.0 | 9.8 | 7.7 | 5.8 | 3.6 | 18.3 | 1,344 |
| No. of live births |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0 | 20.8 | 8.4 | 22.8 | 1,208 | 7.4 | 5.5 | 5.4 | 3.5 | 2.5 | 3.1 | 9.5 | 1,208 |
| 1 | 25.4 | 10.5 | 29.3 | 1,686 | 11.6 | 10.3 | 7.2 | 5.2 | 3.8 | 1.8 | 15.6 | 1,686 |
| 2 | 26.9 | 9.7 | 28.7 | 1,626 | 12.0 | 10.7 | 8.3 | 4.4 | 3.5 | 2.2 | 15.8 | 1,626 |
| 3 | 32.2 | 11.4 | 34.2 | 1,105 | 14.8 | 14.0 | 11.2 | 7.8 | 4.3 | 3.4 | 20.8 | 1,105 |
| 4 or more | 39.6 | 18.0 | 41.9 | 1,597 | 21.7 | 19.9 | 15.8 | 10.4 | 8.0 | 5.6 | 27.0 | 1,597 |
| Education level (in years) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-9 | 35.9 | 15.7 | 38.3 | 1,905 | 20.8 | 18.2 | 14.4 | 10.4 | 6.6 | 6.1 | 25.4 | 1,905 |
| 10-12 | 27.3 | 10.6 | 30.0 | 4,428 | 11.9 | 10.5 | 8.1 | 5.1 | 3.7 | 2.4 | 15.6 | 4,428 |
| 13 or more | 20.6 | 8.2 | 22.5 | 886 | 6.0 | 6.6 | 6.1 | 3.1 | 3.5 | 1.5 | 11.1 | 886 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 37.3 | 17.5 | 40.6 | 1,823 | 19.5 | 16.8 | 13.4 | 9.2 | 6.2 | 4.5 | 23.5 | 1,823 |
| Second | 33.8 | 13.0 | 36.2 | 1,541 | 16.1 | 15.0 | 10.8 | 7.0 | 5.2 | 3.4 | 22.6 | 1,541 |
| Middle | 28.8 | 11.4 | 31.1 | 1,444 | 12.1 | 12.4 | 9.9 | 6.6 | 4.3 | 3.6 | 16.2 | 1,444 |
| Fourth | 21.0 | 9.0 | 24.0 | 1,399 | 9.7 | 7.4 | 5.2 | 3.5 | 3.2 | 1.8 | 12.8 | 1,399 |
| Highest | 19.6 | 5.1 | 20.8 | 1,015 | 7.3 | 6.1 | 6.3 | 3.2 | 2.4 | 2.0 | 10.0 | 1,015 |
| Witnessed parental physical abuse before age 15 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Ever Had | 31.8 | 13.3 | 34.8 | 5,101 | 15.4 | 13.6 | 11.0 | 7.1 | 5.3 | 3.8 | 20.5 | 5,101 |
| Never Had | 19.9 | 6.8 | 21.4 | 2,121 | 7.7 | 7.0 | 4.9 | 3.4 | 1.8 | 1.5 | 9.4 | 2,121 |
| Experienced physical abuse after age 15 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Ever Had | 46.1 | 22.8 | 51.3 | 1,846 | 28.5 | 25.6 | 20.7 | 13.9 | 9.2 | 7.1 | 37.0 | 1,846 |
| Never Had | 21.8 | 7.3 | 23.4 | 5,376 | 7.5 | 6.6 | 5.0 | 3.1 | 2.5 | 1.6 | 10.0 | 5,376 |

* Excludes 3 women with missing information on education.

| Table 15.4.4 <br> Different Combinations of Intimate Partner Violence Experienced by Ever-partnered Women Aged 15-49 Years during Lifetime and during the Last 12 Months Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| IPV Experience | During Lifetime | During the Last 12 Months |
| Any type of violence | 35.4 | 16.9 |
| Only Verbal | 44.5 | 54.5 |
| Verbal and Physical | 25.6 | 21.9 |
| Verbal, Physical and Sexual | 12.9 | 7.4 |
| Verbal and Sexual | 3.7 | 3.6 |
| Only Physical | 8.0 | 7.1 |
| Only Sexual | 3.4 | 3.5 |
| Physical and Sexual | 1.9 | 2.0 |
| Total | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| No. of Cases | 2,744 | 1,261 |


| Table 15.5.1 <br> Injuries Resulting from Episodes of Intimate Partner Violence among Ever-partnered Women Aged 15-49 Years Who Experienced Physical or Sexual Violence during the Last 12 Months by Selected Characteristics Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Characteristic | Any Injury | Injury Requiring Medical Treatment | Bruises or Scratches | Headache or Other Pain | Cuts,Sprains or Burns | Stabs, Penetrating Wounds | Broken <br> Eardrum, <br> Eye Injury | Fractures, Broken Bones or Teeth | Other Injuries | No. of Cases |
| Total | 30.7 | 23.3 | 50.4 | 54.9 | 21.0 | 4.1 | 6.4 | 2.4 | 3.7 | 563 |
| Residence U/R |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Urban | 33.2 | 23.7 | 49.6 | 53.2 | 20.3 | 4.3 | 8.9 | 2.3 | 3.5 | 285 |
| Rural | 27.4 | 22.7 | 51.8 | 57.9 | 22.2 | 3.8 | 2.3 | 2.5 | 3.9 | 278 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 36.3 | 20.9 | 51.9 | 51.6 | 16.7 | 3.6 | 17.2 | 2.2 | 1.4 | 109 |
| Other urban | 31.8 | 25.3 | 48.3 | 54.0 | 22.2 | 4.7 | 4.4 | 2.4 | 4.6 | 176 |
| Rural | 27.4 | 22.7 | 51.8 | 57.9 | 22.2 | 3.8 | 2.3 | 2.5 | 3.9 | 278 |
| Age group |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-24 | 35.4 | 29.6 | 47.3 | 53.5 | 29.1 | 5.9 | 8.1 | 0.3 | 2.7 | 164 |
| 25-34 | 29.2 | 21.1 | 51.0 | 54.2 | 16.9 | 2.1 | 3.0 | 2.7 | 3.2 | 213 |
| 35-49 | 28.5 | 18.6 | 53.4 | 57.8 | 16.7 | 5.0 | 9.5 | 4.6 | 5.6 | 186 |
| Current union status |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Currently legally married | 21.9 | 23.5 | 60.6 | 64.5 | 18.4 | 0.0 | 6.1 | 3.3 | 1.5 | 64 |
| Currently in consensual union | 34.3 | 22.1 | 51.3 | 58.5 | 21.3 | 7.0 | 4.9 | 2.9 | 1.6 | 213 |
| Currently in visiting partnership | 27.5 | 21.1 | 42.8 | 50.5 | 17.5 | 2.8 | 6.5 | 1.7 | 3.7 | 205 |
| Previously married/partnered | 40.2 | 31.9 | 60.4 | 50.9 | 30.6 | 3.2 | 10.2 | 2.2 | 9.8 | 81 |
| No. of live births |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0 | 27.1 | 26.7 | 47.7 | 57.7 | 34.6 | 8.8 | 3.4 | 0.0 | 0.3 | 78 |
| 1-2 | 30.1 | 21.3 | 50.6 | 50.6 | 17.5 | 1.5 | 6.9 | 1.5 | 3.0 | 238 |
| 3 or more | 33.4 | 24.2 | 51.5 | 59.0 | 18.5 | 5.0 | 7.3 | 4.7 | 6.2 | 247 |
| Education level (in years) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-9 | 36.7 | 31.8 | 65.3 | 63.0 | 38.4 | 11.6 | 6.9 | 6.6 | 1.8 | 174 |
| 10-12 | 28.5 | 20.8 | 43.3 | 52.1 | 15.0 | 1.4 | 5.6 | 0.9 | 3.1 | 352 |
| 13 or more | 28.5 | 14.7 | 56.8 | 50.0 | 10.1 | 1.0 | 11.2 | 0.0 | 14.2 | 37 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 31.9 | 28.8 | 54.6 | 52.6 | 29.5 | 7.7 | 2.1 | 3.4 | 3.8 | 187 |
| Second | 39.5 | 18.0 | 50.8 | 64.1 | 17.3 | 1.6 | 5.9 | 2.2 | 2.4 | 148 |
| Middle | 28.9 | 23.1 | 51.2 | 51.7 | 16.9 | 3.5 | 12.4 | 1.1 | 4.7 | 115 |
| Fourth | 23.6 | 28.4 | 37.2 | 51.0 | 16.7 | 4.7 | 9.7 | 2.4 | 6.0 | 68 |
| Highest | 22.4 | 16.5 | 52.6 | 47.3 | 20.7 | 1.6 | 3.6 | 2.7 | 1.7 | 45 |

Table 15.5.2
Percentage of Ever-partnered Women Aged 15-49 Who Experienced Recent Physical or Sexual Violence by an Intimate Partner and Had Missed Days of Work following Episodes of Violence by Selected Characteristics

Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008

| Characteristic | \% Who Missed Days of Work | No. of Cases |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Total | 15.8 | 563 |
|  |  |  |
| Residence U/R |  | 285 |
| Urban | 17.7 | 278 |
| Rural | 12.5 |  |
| Residence |  | 109 |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 17.8 | 176 |
| Other urban | 17.7 | 278 |
| Rural | 12.5 |  |
| Age group |  | 164 |
| 15-24 | 9.8 | 213 |
| 25-34 | 22.3 | 186 |
| 35-49 | 13.6 |  |
| Current union status | 16.2 | 64 |
| Currently legally married | 17.0 | 213 |
| Currently in consensual union | 17.0 | 205 |
| Currently in visiting partnership | 9.6 | 81 |
| Previously married/partnered |  |  |
| No. of live births | 8.2 | 78 |
| 0 | 17.8 | 238 |
| $1-2$ | 17.0 | 247 |
| 3or more |  |  |
| Education level (in years) | 15.0 | 174 |
| -9 | 14.8 | 352 |
| 10-12 | 26.3 | 37 |
| 13 or more |  |  |
| Wealth quintile | 19.2 | 187 |
| Lowest | 16.8 | 148 |
| Second | 5.9 | 115 |
| Middle | 20.9 | 68 |
| Fourth | 17.6 | 45 |
| Highest |  |  |

Table 15.5.3
Percentage of Ever-partnered Women Aged 15-49 Who Experienced Recent Physical or Sexual Violence by an Intimate Partner and Have Talked about the Abuse with Family or Friends by Selected Characteristics

Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008

| Characteristic | Ever Talked about the Abuse |  | Relationship with the Person Who Was Told about the Abuse |  |  |  | No. of Cases |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | \% | No. of Cases | Respondent's Family | Friend | Husband's Family | Other |  |
| Total | 61.9 | 563 | 44.4 | 42.2 | 10.8 | 3.2 | 563 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 58.9 | 109 | 40.6 | 49.7 | 5.5 | 0.6 | 109 |
| Other urban | 64.7 | 176 | 47.9 | 41.7 | 11.6 | 6.8 | 176 |
| Rural | 60.7 | 278 | 42.8 | 38.4 | 12.9 | 0.7 | 278 |
| Age Group |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-24 | 59.5 | 164 | 45.5 | 40.4 | 8.4 | 1.4 | 164 |
| 25-34 | 65.9 | 213 | 46.6 | 40.6 | 11.0 | 6.6 | 213 |
| 35-49 | 59.0 | 186 | 39.7 | 47.0 | 13.5 | 0.3 | 186 |
| Current union status |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Married (legal, consensual) | 62.7 | 277 | 46.8 | 41.6 | 12.5 | 5.2 | 277 |
| In visiting relationship | 59.3 | 205 | 39.3 | 40.0 | 9.3 | 1.6 | 205 |
| Previously married/partnered | 66.1 | 81 | 49.6 | 49.8 | 8.9 | 1.1 | 81 |
| No. of children born alive |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0 | 67.5 | 78 | 54.7 | 48.7 | 5.9 | 0.7 | 78 |
| 1-2 | 63.5 | 238 | 43.4 | 41.6 | 8.5 | 6.5 | 238 |
| 3 or more | 57.2 | 247 | 40.4 | 39.8 | 16.1 | 0.2 | 247 |
| Education level (in years)* |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-9 | 59.1 | 174 | 42.1 | 44.2 | 10.3 | 0.6 | 174 |
| 10-12 | 60.5 | 352 | 41.8 | 41.4 | 11.4 | 1.0 | 352 |
| 13 or more | 82.9 | 37 | 72.7 | 42.6 | 7.4 | 29.5 | 37 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 58.9 | 187 | 38.6 | 36.1 | 11.2 | 0.4 | 187 |
| Second | 62.4 | 148 | 43.0 | 40.8 | 13.9 | 6.9 | 148 |
| Middle | 58.3 | 115 | 44.9 | 45.1 | 6.5 | 0.4 | 115 |
| Fourth | 65.1 | 68 | 53.1 | 43.4 | 11.9 | 2.0 | 68 |
| Highest | 73.4 | 45 | 53.4 | 57.1 | 8.4 | 8.6 | 45 |

[^128]| Table 15.5.4 <br> Percentage of Ever-partnered Women Aged 15-49 Who Experienced Recent Physical or Sexual Violence by an Intimate Partner and Sought Institutional Help by Type of Place Where They Sought Help and Selected Characteristics Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Characteristic | Ever Sought Institutional Help |  | Type of Institution Where They Sought Help |  |  |  |  | No. of Cases |
|  | \% | No. of Cases | Police | Health Clinic | Church | Law Office or Court | Other* |  |
| Total | 30.5 | 563 | 27.5 | 6.8 | 3.3 | 2.1 | 0.9 | 563 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 38.0 | 109 | 36.4 | 9.3 | 1.1 | 3.7 | 1.3 | 109 |
| Other urban | 27.6 | 176 | 25.3 | 5.1 | 5.6 | 1.7 | 0.9 | 176 |
| Rural | 29.1 | 278 | 24.5 | 7.2 | 2.0 | 1.5 | 0.6 | 278 |
| Age Group |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-24 | 25.4 | 164 | 22.1 | 7.0 | 1.0 | 0.6 | 1.2 | 164 |
| 25-34 | 36.0 | 213 | 33.4 | 5.9 | 4.2 | 3.6 | 0.8 | 213 |
| 35-49 | 28.6 | 186 | 25.4 | 7.9 | 4.8 | 1.8 | 0.6 | 186 |
| Current union status |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Married (legal, consensual) | 31.3 | 277 | 29.2 | 5.1 | 5.7 | 1.1 | 0.5 | 277 |
| In visiting relationship | 29.6 | 205 | 25.6 | 7.6 | 1.2 | 2.5 | 1.0 | 205 |
| Previously married/partnered | 30.0 | 81 | 26.7 | 10.1 | 0.8 | 4.3 | 1.6 | 81 |
| No. of children born alive |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0 | 17.1 | 78 | 16.7 | 2.4 | 0.0 | 0.7 | 0.4 | 78 |
| 1-2 | 33.8 | 238 | 30.6 | 8.0 | 3.1 | 2.1 | 0.7 | 238 |
| 3 or more | 33.0 | 247 | 28.9 | 7.4 | 5.2 | 2.8 | 1.3 | 247 |
| Education level (in years) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-9 | 28.0 | 174 | 26.2 | 6.1 | 4.7 | 1.6 | 0.4 | 174 |
| 10-12 | 30.1 | 352 | 26.6 | 7.0 | 2.7 | 2.5 | 1.2 | 352 |
| 13 or more | 41.5 | 37 | 38.8 | 7.6 | 3.5 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 37 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 29.3 | 187 | 27.2 | 4.0 | 4.5 | 1.7 | 0.5 | 187 |
| Second | 32.6 | 148 | 29.5 | 7.2 | 2.9 | 2.3 | 1.3 | 148 |
| Middle | 29.2 | 115 | 25.8 | 6.5 | 3.8 | 0.8 | 1.5 | 115 |
| Fourth | 34.8 | 68 | 30.5 | 8.9 | 0.8 | 5.7 | 0.0 | 68 |
| Highest | 24.8 | 45 | 22.0 | 12.0 | 2.9 | 0.6 | 0.4 | 45 |

*Includes shelter, safehouse, women's organization or center.
$\dagger$ Less than 25 cases.

## Table 15.5.5

Percentage of Ever-partnered Women Aged 15-49 Years Who Experienced Recent Physical or Sexual Violence
by an Intimate Partner and Did Not Seek Institutional Help by Selected Reasons for Not Seeking Help and Selected Characteristics
Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008

| Characteristic | Never Sought Institutional Help |  | Selected Reasons for Not Seeking Help |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | No. of Cases |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | \% | No. of Cases | Did Not Think <br> Abuse Was Very <br> Severe | Ashamed | Afraid of Being Punished | Did Not Trust Anyone | Believed It Would Not Help | Afraid the Relationship Will End | Did not Know Where to Go | Other |  |
| Total | 69.5 | 563 | 60.3 | 23.6 | 14.8 | 12.5 | 12.5 | 10.8 | 3.3 | 4.9 | 395 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 62.0 | 109 | 69.8 | 15.4 | 4.7 | 9.0 | 7.3 | 8.1 | 0.0 | 2.3 | 75 |
| Other urban | 72.4 | 176 | 62.2 | 25.8 | 17.2 | 9.6 | 10.8 | 15.0 | 5.5 | 6.3 | 125 |
| Rural | 70.9 | 278 | 53.0 | 25.6 | 17.5 | 17.6 | 17.1 | 7.5 | 2.4 | 4.7 | 195 |
| Age group |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-24 | 74.6 | 164 | 62.0 | 15.2 | 13.6 | 6.8 | 8.7 | 19.8 | 1.7 | 6.2 | 122 |
| 25-34 | 64.0 | 213 | 59.7 | 29.4 | 13.8 | 13.5 | 15.1 | 7.4 | 7.1 | 4.3 | 146 |
| 35-49 | 71.4 | 186 | 58.8 | 26.9 | 18.1 | 18.8 | 13.9 | 3.3 | 0.0 | 4.0 | 127 |
| Current union status |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Married (legal, consensual) | 68.7 | 277 | 67.7 | 25.7 | 12.6 | 14.1 | 12.3 | 8.5 | 4.6 | 4.4 | 198 |
| In visiting relationship | 70.4 | 205 | 59.4 | 21.6 | 14.7 | 10.9 | 14.3 | 8.8 | 1.6 | 5.4 | 149 |
| Previously married/partnered No. of children born alive | 70.0 | 81 | 39.8 | 22.5 | 21.9 | 11.6 | 8.5 | 22.6 | 3.3 | 5.4 | 48 |
| 0 | 82.9 | 78 | 65.2 | 22.6 | 11.0 | 12.7 | 3.4 | 28.0 | 1.1 | 3.2 | 64 |
| 1-2 | 66.2 | 238 | 60.3 | 16.7 | 11.0 | 10.9 | 15.3 | 7.4 | 2.7 | 5.0 | 168 |
| 3 or more | 67.0 | 247 | 57.1 | 33.2 | 22.3 | 14.5 | 14.5 | 4.5 | 5.3 | 5.9 | 163 |
| Education level (in years) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-9 | 72.0 | 174 | 59.4 | 38.7 | 17.8 | 13.2 | 15.2 | 18.5 | 1.7 | 5.7 | 122 |
| 10-12 | 69.9 | 352 | 60.6 | 18.3 | 11.4 | 12.2 | 11.1 | 8.7 | 3.0 | 5.2 | 244 |
| 13 or more | 58.5 | 37 | 60.4 | 14.4 | 33.2 | 12.8 | 14.2 | 1.2 | 10.8 | 0.0 | 29 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 70.7 | 187 | 57.1 | 30.7 | 22.4 | 17.0 | 15.4 | 14.6 | 4.0 | 7.1 | 136 |
| Second | 67.4 | 148 | 60.4 | 24.0 | 9.8 | 15.6 | 8.5 | 2.2 | 5.3 | 3.2 | 97 |
| Middle | 70.8 | 115 | 62.9 | 22.3 | 18.1 | 5.0 | 8.4 | 16.7 | 0.0 | 4.4 | 80 |
| Fourth | 65.2 | 68 | 58.1 | 10.9 | 8.9 | 7.0 | 16.8 | 4.5 | 0.0 | 5.7 | 50 |
| Highest | 75.2 | 45 | 65.7 | 21.5 | 8.3 | 13.7 | 17.2 | 17.9 | 6.4 | 3.4 | 32 |

Table 15.6
Selected Experiences and Reproductive and Sexual Behaviors among Ever-partnered Women Aged 15-49 Years by Whether They Had Been Physically or Sexually Abused by an Intimate Partner during Lifetime Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008

| Experience or Behavior | Lifetime Physical or Sexual Violence from an Intimate Partner |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Never Had | Ever Had |
| Witnessed parental physical abuse before age $15{ }^{*}$ |  |  |
| Never Had | 83.6 | 67.6 |
| Ever had | 16.4 | 32.4 |
| Experienced parental physical abuse before age 15 |  |  |
| Never Had | 32.5 | 17.7 |
| Ever had | 67.5 | 82.3 |
| Experienced how many controlling behaviors by current or former partner |  |  |
|  | 58.7 | 25.9 |
| 1 or 2 | 29.5 | 31.7 |
| 3 or more | 11.7 | 42.4 |
| Age at first union ${ }^{+}$ |  |  |
| <15 | 6.9 | 12.6 |
| 15-17 | 38.3 | 48.2 |
| 18-22 | 41.3 | 31.8 |
| 23 or more | 13.4 | 7.3 |
| Frequency of husband/partner getting drunk during the last 12 months ${ }^{*}$ |  |  |
| Never | 88.8 | 78.0 |
| 1-3 times a month | 8.9 | 17.6 |
| At least once a week | 2.3 | 4.4 |
| Comprehensive HIV knowledge |  |  |
| No | 33.7 | 43.4 |
| Yes | 66.3 | 56.6 |
| Self-perceived risk of acquiring HIV/AIDS" |  |  |
| Moderate/ligh Risk | 13.7 | 25.0 |
| Low Risk | 31.0 | 31.4 |
| No risk at all | 52.7 | 41.5 |
| Self-perceived risk of acquiring other STIn |  |  |
| Moderate/ligh Risk | 11.6 | 23.8 |
| Low Risk | 30.6 | 29.7 |
| No risk at all | 57.8 | 46.6 |
| Sexual partners in the past 12 months |  |  |
| 0 | 11.4 | 10.4 |
| 1 | 83.4 | 77.8 |
| 2 or more | 4.9 | 11.6 |
| Used condom at last sexual intercourse in the last 12 months ${ }^{\text { }}$ |  |  |
| No | 58.0 | 61.0 |
| Yes | 42.0 | 39.0 |
| Experienced at least one negative consequence from asking a spouse/partner to use condoms |  |  |
| No | 80.2 | 63.3 |
| Yes | 19.8 | 36.7 |
| Unmet need for family planning |  |  |
| No | 90.7 | 91.1 |
| Yes | 9.3 | 8.9 |
| Last pregnancy in the last 12 months was unintended ${ }^{*}$ |  |  |
| No | 47.7 | 33.5 |
| Yes | 52.3 | 66.5 |
| Total | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| No. of cases | 5,665 | 1,557 |

* Exclude 562 women who did not grow up with both parents.
† Excludes 271 women who did not recall age of first union.
$\ddagger$ Excludes 259 women who did not remember how often did the husband or partner get drunk.
Il Excludes 221 women could not assess their risk of getting HIVIAIDS; excludes 205 women who could not asses their risk of other STIs.
§ Among ever-partnered women with sexual activity in the last 12 months, $n=6442$.
$¥$ Among ever-partnered women who were pregnant in the last 12 months. $n=3240$.


## Table 15.7.1

Percentage of Women Who Have Ever Been Forced to Have Sexual Intercourse Against Their Will
and Their Relationship with the Perpetrator at the Time of the Forced Intercourse
by Selected Characteristics
Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica 2008

| Characteristic | Women with History of Forced Intercourse |  | Relationship with the Perpetrator among Raped Victims (Percent Distribution) |  |  |  |  |  |  | No. of Cases |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | \% | No. of Cases | Husband, Partner | Acquaintance | Boyfriend | Stranger | Relative | Other | Total |  |
| Total | 12.0 | 7,442 | 35.8 | 19.9 | 18.0 | 12.4 | 10.1 | 3.8 | 100.0 | 932 |
| Residence U/R Urban | 12.2 | 3,140 | 33.2 | 21.1 | 20.1 | 12.4 | 9.6 | 3.8 | 100.0 | 401 |
| Rural <br> Age Group | 11.7 | 4,302 | 39.4 | 18.3 | 15.2 | 12.4 | 10.8 | 3.9 | 100.0 | 531 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-24 | 11.3 | 1,614 | 16.4 | 19.1 | 35.8 | 14.8 | 12.0 | 1.9 | 100.0 | 218 |
| 25-34 | 13.7 | 2,526 | 36.1 | 22.6 | 14.2 | 13.1 | 10.7 | 3.2 | 100.0 | 341 |
| 35-49 | 10.9 | 3,302 | 49.4 | 17.4 | 9.7 | 9.8 | 7.9 | 5.9 | 100.0 | 373 |
| Current union status |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Married/In union | 11.4 | 3,599 | 38.1 | 20.6 | 15.8 | 10.2 | 10.9 | 4.5 | 100.0 | 413 |
| Visiting partnership | 12.3 | 2,279 | 35.1 | 17.1 | 23.3 | 14.7 | 9.3 | 0.6 | 100.0 | 300 |
| Previously married/ in union | 12.4 | 1,344 | 39.8 | 19.9 | 13.5 | 9.5 | 7.7 | 9.5 | 100.0 | 188 |
| Never in union | 13.6 | 220 | 0.0 | 38.2 | 13.4 | 27.6 | 20.8 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 31 |
| Education level (in years)* |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-9 | 15.6 | 1,945 | 41.3 | 17.9 | 15.7 | 11.3 | 8.1 | 5.7 | 100.0 | 305 |
| 10-12 | 10.8 | 4,573 | 37.5 | 17.9 | 20.1 | 10.2 | 11.1 | 3.2 | 100.0 | 529 |
| 13 or more | 11.7 | 921 | 17.1 | 32.5 | 14.0 | 23.9 | 10.0 | 2.5 | 100.0 | 98 |
| Wealth quintile |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest | 13.7 | 1,860 | 43.9 | 15.4 | 19.4 | 10.0 | 7.6 | 3.7 | 100.0 | 278 |
| Second | 14.9 | 1,579 | 41.0 | 16.2 | 17.7 | 12.1 | 7.5 | 5.5 | 100.0 | 221 |
| Middle | 11.0 | 1,501 | 38.2 | 15.1 | 17.2 | 13.0 | 12.0 | 4.4 | 100.0 | 177 |
| Fourth | 10.8 | 1,446 | 23.5 | 20.8 | 24.4 | 15.7 | 14.5 | 1.0 | 100.0 | 158 |
| Highest | 9.3 | 1,056 | 26.0 | 38.3 | 9.1 | 12.1 | 10.5 | 3.9 | 100.0 | 98 |


| Table 15.7.2 <br> Age at First Forced Sexual Intercourse among Women Aged 15-49 Years Reproductive Health Survey: Jamaica, 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Age at First Forced Sexual Intercourse |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | No. of Cases |
| Characteristic | $<15$ | 15-19 | 20-24 | 25-29 | 30 or more | Did Not Remember/Refused | Total |  |
| Total | 16.2 | 30.5 | 17.8 | 8.0 | 11.0 | 16.5 | 100.0 | 932 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston Metropolitan Area | 14.5 | 27.7 | 16.0 | 6.6 | 6.0 | 29.2 | 100.0 | 126 |
| Other urban | 15.0 | 31.3 | 20.8 | 5.6 | 13.4 | 13.7 | 100.0 | 275 |
| Rural | 18.1 | 30.8 | 15.5 | 10.9 | 10.7 | 14.0 | 100.0 | 531 |
| Age group |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-24 | 26.2 | 41.1 | 9.5 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 23.2 | 100.0 | 218 |
| 25-34 | 14.1 | 31.5 | 20.8 | 11.1 | 6.0 | 16.5 | 100.0 | 341 |
| 35-49 | 11.5 | 21.7 | 20.2 | 10.3 | 24.6 | 11.7 | 100.0 | 373 |
| Current union status |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Married/In union | 17.9 | 29.7 | 15.2 | 7.5 | 12.3 | 17.3 | 100.0 | 413 |
| Visiting partnership | 14.6 | 30.9 | 22.4 | 8.6 | 5.8 | 17.8 | 100.0 | 300 |
| Previously married/ in union | 10.5 | 27.9 | 17.4 | 9.2 | 20.8 | 14.2 | 100.0 | 188 |
| Never in union | 42.0 | 47.3 | 2.4 | 1.5 | 0.0 | 6.8 | 100.0 | 31 |
| No. of live births |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0 | 24.6 | 32.6 | 16.7 | 4.1 | 2.1 | 19.9 | 100.0 | 171 |
| 1-2 | 12.3 | 37.4 | 17.1 | 7.8 | 11.2 | 14.1 | 100.0 | 358 |
| 3 or more | 15.1 | 21.3 | 19.2 | 10.8 | 16.7 | 16.8 | 100.0 | 403 |
| Education level (in years) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-9 | 20.1 | 26.1 | 17.3 | 8.4 | 11.5 | 16.6 | 100.0 | 305 |
| 10-12 | 15.2 | 30.5 | 17.9 | 7.0 | 11.1 | 18.3 | 100.0 | 529 |
| 13 or more | 12.3 | 39.6 | 18.2 | 11.6 | 10.0 | 8.3 | 100.0 | 98 |
| Wealth quintile | 15.3 | 30.5 | 20.2 | 7.4 | 8.8 | 17.8 | 100.0 | 278 |
| Lowest |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Second | 16.6 | 29.0 | 13.8 | 9.2 | 15.3 | 16.1 | 100.0 | 221 |
| Middle | 20.3 | 22.3 | 19.9 | 6.6 | 9.7 | 21.2 | 100.0 | 177 |
| Fourth | 14.2 | 37.1 | 20.2 | 7.6 | 7.9 | 13.0 | 100.0 | 158 |
| Highest | 14.6 | 35.0 | 14.5 | 9.5 | 13.3 | 13.1 | 100.0 | 98 |

## Female Questionnaire

## 2008 REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH SURVEY CONFIDENTIAL confidential

## hOUSEHOLD QUESTIONNAIRE

FEMALE
Questionnaire No

| 2 |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |




* Interview Status Codes:

1. Completed interview (household and individual)
2. Completed household interview-no eligible woman resident
3. Household interview deferred-nobody at home or no competent respondent at home to provide information
4. Completed household interview-individual interview deferred selected respondent not at home or not available
5. Partly completed individual interview-completion deferred
6. Refusal - household
7. Refusal - individual
8. Vacant dwelling
9. Other (specify): $\qquad$

Position: $\qquad$
Date:

Date:
10. How many persons live in this household? $\square$ NUMBER

## PLEASE RECORD THE NAMES AND OTHER PARTICULARS OF ALL PERSONS WHO LIVE IN THIS HOUSEHOLD. THIS SHOULD INCLUDE ALL WHO USUALLY EAT AND SLEEP HERE.

LIST ACCORDING TO AGE, WITH THE OLDEST HOUSEHOLD MEMBER LISTED FIRST!

SCHEDULE OF ALL PERSONS LIVING IN THE HOUSEHOLD

11. Number of eligible females aged 15-49 years living in household (Total of number of eligible females recorded in the Schedule).


IF THERE IS ONE OR MORE ELIGIBLE FEMALES, SELECT THE ONE TO BE INTERVIEWED, BASED ON THE INSTRUCTIONS GIVEN AND USING THE RANDOM TABLE SHOWN BELOW.

PROCEED WITH THE INDIVIDUAL QUESTIONNAIRE FOR THE SELECTED FEMALE. IF THERE ARE NO ELIGIBLE FEMALES, RETURN TO AND COMPLETE THE TITLE PAGE.

## RANDOM SELECTION OF RESPONDENT

Questionnaire Number: 2 $\qquad$ Number of Eligible Females (Q11) $\qquad$

| Last digit of the questionnaire number | Number of Eligible Females in the Household |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 |
| 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 2 | 2 | 6 | 2 | 4 | 10 |
| 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 3 | 7 | 3 | 5 | 1 |
| 2 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 4 | 4 | 1 | 4 | 6 | 2 |
| 3 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 3 | 5 | 5 | 2 | 5 | 7 | 3 |
| 4 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 4 | 1 | 6 | 3 | 6 | 8 | 4 |
| 5 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 4 | 7 | 9 | 5 |
| 6 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 2 | 3 | 2 | 5 | 8 | 1 | 6 |
| 7 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 4 | 3 | 6 | 1 | 2 | 7 |
| 8 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 4 | 5 | 4 | 7 | 2 | 3 | 8 |
| 9 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 5 | 1 | 3 | 4 | 9 |

SEQUENCE NUMBER OF THE FEMALE SELECTED FOR INTERVIEW: $\square$

AFTER COMPLETING THE HOUSEHOLD QUESTIONNAIRE, RETURN TO TITLE PAGE AND COMPLETE INFORMATION ON THE INTERVIEW VISIT

COMMENTS (e.g. Reason for Deferring the Interview, Name of Selected Eligible Respondent, Date and Time of the Next Visit, Other)

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## JAMAICA

## INDIVIDUAL QUESTIONNAIRE

## FEMALE



| dATE OF INTERVIEW |  |  |  | $\square_{\text {Year }}$ | TIME INTERVIEW STARTED (24 Hours Clock) |  |  |  |  |  | Mins. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| SECTION I-RESPONDENT'S BACKGROUND |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 101. In what month and year were you born? |  |  |  |  | 102. How old were you on your last birthday? |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Month $\square$ Year |  | 88. DON'T KNOW (MONTH/YEAR) |  |  | Years |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 103. Have you ever attended school?1. Yes 2. No Go to Q105 |  |  |  |  | 104. How many years did you attend school, not including years spent in infant and basic school? |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 88. DOES |  |  |  |

105. With what frequency do you attend religious services (READ 1-5)?

O 1. At least once a week
O 2. At least once a month but less than once a week
O 3. Less than once a month
O 4. Only for special occasions (weddings, funerals, christenings)

- 5. Does not attend at all

○ 9. REFUSED
106. What were you doing during the past week? Were you.....? (READ 1-8)

107. Do you work regularly (at least 5 days every two weeks) in your present job?

$$
\text { O 1. Yes } \quad \bigcirc \text { 2. No }
$$

108. How many hours do you usually work per week? $\square$ Hours 88. NOT SPECIFIED
109. How many hours did you work during the week ending $\square$?

| 110. Do you work at home or away from home? | 1. AT HOME <br> 2. AWAY FROM HOME <br> 3. BOTH |
| :---: | :---: |
| 111. Do you regularly read any of the following newspapers? <br> (READ OPTIONS A-E) |  YES NO <br> A. Gleaner 1 2 <br> B. Star 1 2 <br> C. Sunday Herald 1 2 <br> D. Observer 1 2 <br> E. Any other (SPECIFY)_ 1 2 |
| 112. Are there any of the following possessions in your household? <br> (READ OPTIONS A-I) |  YES NO <br> A. Electricity 1 2 <br> B. Radio 1 2 <br> C. Television 1 2 <br> D. VCR/DVD Player 1 2 <br> E. Refrigerator 1 2 <br> F. Land-line Telephone 1 2 <br> G. Cellular Telephone 1 2 <br> H. Computer 1 2 <br> I. A working motor vehicle (car or truck) 1 2 |
| 113. What type of fuel does this household mainly use for cooking? | 1. ELECTRICITY <br> 2. NATURAL GAS <br> 3. LIQUID PROPANE GAS (LPG) <br> 4. KEROSENE <br> 5. COAL <br> 6. WOOD <br> 7. STRAW/SHRUBS/GRASS <br> 8. ANIMAL DUNG <br> 9. OTHER |
| 114. How many rooms does your household occupy (exclude bathrooms and kitchen)? | $\square$ ROOMS |
| 115. What is the main source of water for the household? | 1. PUBLIC PIPED INTO DWELLING <br> 2. PUBLIC PIPED INTO YARD <br> 3. PRIVATE PIPED INTO DWELLING/YARD <br> 4. PUBLIC STANDPIPE <br> 5. WELL WATER, WITHIN RESIDENCE <br> 6. PUBLIC WELL <br> 7. TANKER / TRUCK / WATER VENDOR <br> 8. SPRING <br> 9. SURFACE WATER (RIVER, STREAM, POND, LAKE, DAM) <br> 10. BOTTLED WATER <br> 20. OTHER (SPECIFY): $\qquad$ <br> 88. NOT STATED |
| 116. What type of toilet facilities does this household have? | 1. FLUSH TOILET LINKED TO SEWER <br> 2. FLUSH TOILET NOT LINKED TO SEWER (e.g. SEPTIC TANK) <br> 3. PIT LATRINE <br> $\begin{array}{llll}\text { 4. } & \text { NO FACILITY / BUSH / FIELD } \\ \text { 7. OTHER (SPECIFY): } \\ \text { 8. } & \longrightarrow & \text { SOT STATED / DON'T KNOW } & \\ \text { SECTION II } \\ \text { SECTION II } \\ \text { SECTION II }\end{array}$ |
| 117. Are these facilities shared with another household? | 1. SHARED <br> 2. NOT SHARED <br> 9. NOT STATED |

## SECTION II - RELATIONSHIP STATUS AND PARTNERSHIP HISTORY

## Now, I would like to ask you some questions about your steady relationships.

| 201. Are you currently legally married? | 1. YES <br> 2. $\mathrm{NO} \longrightarrow$ Q203 |
| :---: | :---: |
| 202. Are you and your husband currently living together as husband and wife? | 1. YES $\longrightarrow$ Q208 <br> 2. NO |
| 203. Are you currently living with a common-law partner? That is, are you living as husband and wife with a partner to whom you are not legally married? | 1. $\mathrm{YES} \longrightarrow$ Q208 <br> 2. NO |
| 204. Do you currently have a visiting partner? That is, do you have a steady partner with whom you have sexual relations? | 1. YES $\longrightarrow$ Q208 <br> 2. NO |
| 205. Do you currently have a boyfriend? | 1. YES <br> 2. $\mathrm{NO} \longrightarrow$ Q207 |
| 206. Have you ever had sexual intercourse with your current boyfriend? | 1. YES <br> 2. NO |
| 207. Have you ever been in a partnership; that is, a marriage, a common-law union or a visiting union? <br> IF RESPONDENT IS LEGALLY MARRIED, BUT SHE IS NOT LIVING WITH HUSBAND (Q202=2), RECORD "YES" WITHOUT ASKING THE QUESTION | 1. YES <br> 2. NO <br> SECTION III |
| 208. How many times have you been in a partnership that is a marriage, a common-law union or a visiting union? | $\square$ TIMES 9. REFUSED |
| 209. In what month and year did you start your first legal or common-law marriage or first visiting union? | $\square$ MONTH $\square$ YEAR <br> 88. DOES NOT REMEMBER (MONTH/YEAR) <br> BOTH MONTH AND YEAR OF FIRST MARRIAGE/UNION/VR KNOWN? $\longrightarrow$ GO TO SECTION III <br> EITHER MONTH OR YEAR OF MARRIAGE/UNION NOT KNOWN? $\longrightarrow$ CONTINUE WITH Q210 |
| 210. How old were you when you started your first marriage, common law union, or visiting union? | $\square$ YEARS <br> 88. DOES NOT REMEMBER <br> 99. REFUSED |

## DEFINITION OF TERMS:

Legally Married describes a person who has a contracted legal matrimony/or married according to customary rites and is not widowed, divorced or legally separated;

Common Law or Consensual Union describes the status in which the partners share a common household though the union has not been established by legal process or customs.

Visiting union refers to a status in which the partners live apart (the woman lives with her family), have sexual relations and often have children together; the man has some financial obligations (contributions in money, gifts, or goods) to his partner and his child(ren).

Dating (a girlfriend/boyfriend)) may or may not involve sexual relations, does not result in fatherhood and does not imply financial obligations.

## SECTION III - FERTILITY

Now, we are going to talk about your history of menstruation and your pregnancy history. Some of the questions may not apply to you. In these cases, just say so.


## PREGNANCY HISTORY

Now I would like to talk to you about all your pregnancies (not counting the current one). Please, make sure you include all pregnancies, it doesn't matter when they happened or how they ended, whether in a live birth, an abortion, a miscarriage, or a stillbirth. Starting with your most recent pregnancy, please give me the following information:

| \# |  |  | 318 | 319 | 320 | 321 | 322 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | How did that pregnancy end? | When did that pregnancy end? (month \& year) |  |  |  |  | IF Q317_YR < 2003--->GO TO NEXT PREGNANCY |
|  |  |  | How many weeks or months had you been pregnant when that pregnancy ended? | Was the baby a boy or a girl? | Is the child still alive? | How old was the child when he died? (RECORD DAYS IF LESS THAN 1 MONTH; MONTHS IF LESS THAN TWO YEARS; OR YRS.) | Just before you got pregnant, did you want to get pregnant then, did you want to get pregnant later, or did you not want to get pregnant then or any time in the future? |
| 1 | 1. LIVE BIRTH (SINGLE) <br> 2. MULTIPLE LIVE BIRTH <br> 3. MULTIPLE (LB WITH SB) <br> 4. STILLBIRTH (SINGLE) <br> 5. MULTIPLE STILLBIRTH <br> 6. MISCARRIAGE <br> 7. INDUCED ABORTION <br> 8. ECTOPIC PREGNANCY | $\qquad$ MTH $\qquad$ <br> 1. <br> 99. NR | OR <br> 2. $\qquad$ MTHS <br> 8. 88 DK <br> 9. 99 NR/REF <br> IF Q316>3 <br> GO TO Q322 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 1. BOY } \\ & \text { 2. GIRL } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 1. YES->Q322 } \\ & \text { 2. NO } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{array}{llll}\text { 1. } & & \text { DAYS } \\ \text { 2. } & - & \text { _ MTHS } \\ \text { 3. } & - & - & \text { YEARS } \\ \text { 8. } 8 & 8 & \mathrm{DK} \\ \text { 9. } 9 & 9 & \mathrm{NR} / \mathrm{REF}\end{array}$ | 1. WANTED TO GET PREG. THEN <br> 2. WANTED TO GET PREG. LATER <br> 3. DID NOT WANT PREGNANCY THEN OR ANY TIME IN THE FUTURE <br> 8. NOT SURE |
|  |  |  |  | IF Q316=2 2nd Twin: 1. BOY <br> 2. GIRL | 2nd Twin: <br> 1.YES <br> 2. NO | $2^{\text {nd }}$ Twin age at death: |  |
| $\underline{2}$ | 1. LIVE BIRTH (SINGLE) <br> 2. MULTIPLE LIVE BIRTH <br> 3. MULTIPLE (LB WITH SB) <br> 4. STILLBIRTH (SINGLE) <br> 5. MULTIPLE STILLBIRTH <br> 6. MISCARRIAGE <br> 7. INDUCED ABORTION <br> 8. ECTOPIC PREGNANCY | $\qquad$ MTH $\qquad$ YR <br> 2. <br> 99. NR | 1. $\qquad$ WKS OR 2. $\qquad$ MTHS <br> 8. 88 DK <br> 9.9 9 NR/REF <br> IF Q316>3 GO TO Q322 | 1. BOY | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 1. YES->Q322 } \\ & \text { 2. NO } \end{aligned}$ |  | 1. WANTED TO GET PREG. THEN <br> 2. WANTED TO GET PREG. LATER <br> 3. DID NOT WANT PREGNANCY THEN OR ANY TIME IN THE FUTURE <br> 8. NOT SURE |
|  |  |  |  | IF Q316=2 2nd Twin: 1. BOY <br> 2. GIRL | 2nd Twin: <br> 1.YES <br> 2. NO | $2^{\text {nd }}$ Twin age at death: |  |
| $\underline{3}$ | 1. LIVE BIRTH (SINGLE) <br> 2. MULTIPLE LIVE BIRTH <br> 3. MULTIPLE (LB WITH SB) <br> 4. STILLBIRTH (SINGLE) <br> 5. MULTIPLE STILLBIRTH <br> 6. MISCARRIAGE <br> 7. INDUCED ABORTION <br> 8. ECTOPIC PREGNANCY | $\qquad$ MTH $\qquad$ YR <br> 3. <br> 99. NR |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 1. BOY } \\ & \text { 2. GIRL } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 1. YES->Q322 } \\ & \text { 2. NO } \end{aligned}$ |  | 1. WANTED TO GET PREG. THEN <br> 2. WANTED TO GET PREG. LATER <br> 3. DID NOT WANT PREGNANCY THEN OR ANY TIME IN THE FUTURE <br> 8. NOT SURE |
|  |  |  |  | IF Q316=2 2nd Twin: 1. BOY <br> 2. GIRL | 2nd Twin: <br> 1.YES <br> 2. NO | $2^{\text {nd }}$ Twin age at death: |  |
| $\underline{4}$ | 1. LIVE BIRTH (SINGLE) <br> 2. MULTIPLE LIVE BIRTH <br> 3. MULTIPLE (LB WITH SB) <br> 4. STILLBIRTH (SINGLE) <br> 5. MULTIPLE STILLBIRTH <br> 6. MISCARRIAGE <br> 7. INDUCED ABORTION <br> 8. ECTOPIC PREGNANCY | $\left[\begin{array}{l} \ldots \\ \ldots \end{array}\right.$ <br> 4. <br> 99. NR |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 1. BOY } \\ & \text { 2. GIRL } \\ & \text { S } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 1. YES->Q322 } \\ & \text { 2. NO } \end{aligned}$ |  | 1. WANTED TO GET PREG. THEN <br> 2. WANTED TO GET PREG. LATER <br> 3. DID NOT WANT PREGNANCY THEN OR ANY TIME IN THE FUTURE <br> 8. NOT SURE |
|  |  |  |  | IF Q316=2 2nd Twin: 1. BOY <br> 2. GIRL | 2nd Twin: <br> 1.YES <br> 2. NO | $2^{\text {nd }}$ Twin age at death: |  |


| \# | 316 | 317 | 318 | 319 | 320 | 321 | 322 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | How did that pregnancy end?/ | When did that pregnancy end? <br> (month \& year) |  |  |  |  | IF Q317B < 2003 --->GO TO NEXT PREGNANCY |
|  |  |  | How many weeks or months had you been pregnant when that pregnancy ended? | Was the baby a boy or a girl? | Is the child still alive? | How old was the child when he died? (RECORD DAYS IF LESS THAN 1 MONTH; MONTHS IF LESS THAN TWO YEARS; OR YRS.) | Just before you got pregnant, did you want to get pregnant then, did you want to get pregnant later, or did you not want to get pregnant then or any time in the future? |
| 5 | 1. LIVE BIRTH (SINGLE) <br> 2. MULTIPLE LIVE BIRTH <br> 3. MULTIPLE (LB WITH SB) <br> 4. STILLBIRTH (SINGLE) <br> 5. MULTIPLE STILLBIRTH <br> 6. MISCARRIAGE | $\underline{\ldots}$ _ MTH ${ }^{\text {_ _ _ __YR }}$ | $\left\lvert\, \begin{aligned} & \text { 1. _ _ WEEKS } \\ & \text { OR } \\ & \text { 2. _ _ MTHS } \\ & 8.888\end{aligned}\right.$ | 1. BOY | 1. YES->Q322 <br> 2. NO | 1. $\qquad$ DAYS <br> 2. $\qquad$ MTHS <br> 3. $\qquad$ YEARS <br> 8. 88 DK 9.9.9 NR/REF | 1. WANTED TO GET PREG. THEN <br> 2. WANTED TO GET PREG. LATER <br> 3. DID NOT WANT PREGNANCY THEN OR ANY TIME IN THE FUTURE <br> 8. NOT SURE |
|  | 7. INDUCED ABORTION <br> 8. ECTOPIC PREGNANCY | 98. DK/NR | $\left.\begin{array}{\|l\|l} \text { 8. } 888 & \text { DK } \\ \text { 9. } 9 & 9 \\ \text { NR/REF } \end{array} \right\rvert\, \begin{aligned} & \text { IF Q316>3 } \\ & \text { GO TO Q322 } \end{aligned}$ | IF Q316=2 2nd Twin: <br> 1. BOY <br> 2. GIRL | 2nd Twin: <br> 1.YES <br> 2. NO | $2^{\text {nd }}$ Twin age at death: |  |
| 6 | 1. LIVE BIRTH (SINGLE) <br> 2. MULTIPLE LIVE BIRTH <br> 3. MULTIPLE (LB WITH SB) <br> 4. STILLBIRTH (SINGLE) <br> 5. MULTIPLE STILLBIRTH <br> 6. MISCARRIAGE <br> 7. INDUCED ABORTION <br> 8. ECTOPIC PREGNANCY |  | $\qquad$ WEEKS OR <br> 2. $\qquad$ MTHS <br> 8. 88 DK <br> 9.9 9 NR/REF <br> IF Q316>3 GO TO Q322 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 1. BOY } \\ & \text { 2. GIRL } \end{aligned}$ | 1. YES->Q322 <br> 2. NO | 1. $\qquad$ DAYS <br> 2. $\qquad$ MTHS <br> 3. $\qquad$ YEARS <br> 8. 88 DK <br> 9. $99 \mathrm{NR} / \mathrm{REF}$ | 1. WANTED TO GET PREG. THEN <br> 2. WANTED TO GET PREG. LATER <br> 3. DID NOT WANT PREGNANCY THEN OR ANY TIME IN THE FUTURE <br> 8. NOT SURE |
|  |  |  |  | IF Q316=2 2nd Twin: <br> 1. BOY <br> 2. GIRL | 2nd Twin: <br> 1.YES <br> 2. NO | $2^{\text {nd }}$ Twin age at death: |  |
| 7 | 1. LIVE BIRTH (SINGLE) <br> 2. MULTIPLE LIVE BIRTH <br> 3. MULTIPLE (LB WITH SB) <br> 4. STILLBIRTH (SINGLE) <br> 5. MULTIPLE STILLBIRTH <br> 6. MISCARRIAGE <br> 7. INDUCED ABORTION <br> 8. ECTOPIC PREGNANCY |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 1.___ WEEKS } \\ & \text { OR } \\ & \text { 2. _ _ MTHS } \\ & \text { 8. } 88 \quad \text { DK } \\ & \text { 9. } 99 \\ & \text { IF NR/REF } \\ & \text { IF Q316>3 } \\ & \text { GO TO Q322 } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 1. BOY } \\ & \text { 2. GIRL } \end{aligned}$ | 1. YES->Q322 <br> 2. NO |  | 1. WANTED TO GET PREG. <br> THEN <br> 2. WANTED TO GET PREG. LATER <br> 3. DID NOT WANT PREGNANCY THEN OR ANY TIME IN THE FUTURE <br> 8. NOT SURE |
|  |  |  |  | IF Q316=2 <br> 2nd Twin: <br> 1. BOY <br> 2. GIRL | 2nd Twin: 1.YES <br> 2. NO | $2^{\text {nd }} \quad$ Twin age at death: $\qquad$ |  |
| 8 | 1. LIVE BIRTH (SINGLE) <br> 2. MULTIPLE LIVE BIRTH <br> 3. MULTIPLE (LB WITH SB) <br> 4. STILLBIRTH (SINGLE) <br> 5. MULTIPLE STILLBIRTH <br> 6. MISCARRIAGE <br> 7. INDUCED ABORTION <br> 8. ECTOPIC PREGNANCY | ___MTH | 1.___ WEEKSOR2.___ MTHS$8.88 \quad$ DK9. 99IF NR/REFIF Q316>3GO TO Q322 | 1. BOY <br> 2. GIRL | 1. YES->Q322 <br> 2. NO |  | 1. WANTED TO GET PREG. THEN <br> 2. WANTED TO GET PREG. LATER <br> 3. DID NOT WANT PREGNANCY THEN OR ANY TIME IN THE FUTURE <br> 8. NOT SURE |
|  |  |  |  | IF Q316=2 2nd Twin: <br> 1. BOY <br> 2. GIRL | 2nd Twin: <br> 1.YES <br> 2. NO | $2^{\text {nd }}$ Twin age at death: $\qquad$ |  |
| $\underline{9}$ | 1. LIVE BIRTH (SINGLE) <br> 2. MULTIPLE LIVE BIRTH <br> 3. MULTIPLE (LB WITH SB) <br> 4. STILLBIRTH (SINGLE) <br> 5. MULTIPLE STILLBIRTH <br> 6. MISCARRIAGE | - | 1.___ WEEKS OR 2. __ MTHS 8. 88 DK | 1. BOY 2 GIRL | 1. YES->Q322 | $\qquad$ DAYS <br> 2. $\qquad$ MTHS <br> 3. $\qquad$ YEARS <br> 8. 88 DK 9. $99 \mathrm{NR} /$ REF | 1. WANTED TO GET PREG. THEN <br> 2. WANTED TO GET PREG. LATER <br> 3. DID NOT WANT PREGNANCY |
|  | 7. INDUCED ABORTION <br> 8. ECTOPIC PREGNANCY | 98. DK/NR | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 9. } 99 \text { NR/REF } \\ & \text { IF Q316>3 } \\ & \text { GO TO Q322 } \end{aligned}$ | IF Q316=2 2nd Twin: <br> 1. BOY <br> 2 GIRI | 2nd Twin: <br> 1.YES <br> 2. NO | $2^{\text {nd }} \quad$ Twin age death: $\qquad$ | THEN OR ANY TIME IN THE FUTURE <br> 8. NOT SURE |



| \# | 316 | 317 | 318 | 319 | 320 | 321 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | How did that pregnancy end? | When did that pregnancy end? (month \& year) | How many weeks or months had you been pregnant when that pregnancy ended? | Was the baby a boy or a girl? | Is the child still alive? | How old was the child when he died? (RECORD DAYS IF LESS THAN 1 MONTH; MONTHS IF LESS THAN TWO YEARS; OR YEARS) |
| 15 | 1. LIVE BIRTH (SINGLE) <br> 2. MULTIPLE LIVE BIRTH <br> 3. MULTIPLE (LB WITH SB) <br> 4. STILLBIRTH (SINGLE) <br> 5. MULTIPLE STILLBIRTH <br> 6. MISCARRIAGE <br> 7. INDUCED ABORTION <br> 8. ECTOPIC PREGNANCY | $\qquad$ MTH $\qquad$ YR <br> 98. DK/NR | 1. $\qquad$ WEEKS <br> OR <br> 2. $\qquad$ MTHS <br> 8. 88 DK <br> 9. $99 \mathrm{NR} / \mathrm{REF}$ <br> IF Q316>3 GO TO NEXT PREG | 1. BOY 2. GIRL | 1. YES->NEXT PREG <br> 2. NO | 1. $\qquad$ DAYS <br> 2. $\qquad$ MTHS <br> 3. $\qquad$ YEARS <br> 8. 88 DK <br> 9. $99 \mathrm{NR} / \mathrm{REF}$ |
|  |  |  |  | IF Q316=2 2nd Twin: <br> 1. BOY <br> 2. GIRL | 2nd Twin: <br> 1.YES <br> 2. NO | $2^{\text {nd }}$ Twin age at death: |
| 16 | 1. LIVE BIRTH (SINGLE) <br> 2. MULTIPLE LIVE BIRTH <br> 3. MULTIPLE (LB WITH SB) <br> 4. STILLBIRTH (SINGLE) <br> 5. MULTIPLE STILLBIRTH <br> 6. MISCARRIAGE <br> 7. INDUCED ABORTION <br> 8. ECTOPIC PREGNANCY | $\qquad$ MTH $\qquad$ YR <br> 98. DK/NR | 1. $\qquad$ WEEKS OR <br> 2. $\qquad$ MTHS <br> 8. 88 DK <br> 9. $99 \mathrm{NR} / \mathrm{REF}$ <br> IF Q316>3 GO TO NEXT PREG | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 1. BOY } \\ & \text { 2. GIRL } \end{aligned}$ | 1. YES->NEXT PREG <br> 2. NO | 1. $\qquad$ DAYS <br> 2. $\qquad$ MTHS <br> 3. $\qquad$ YEARS <br> 8. 88 DK <br> 9. $99 \mathrm{NR} /$ REF |
|  |  |  |  | IF Q316=2 2nd Twin: <br> 1. BOY <br> 2. GIRL | 2nd Twin: <br> 1.YES <br> 2. NO | $2^{\text {nd }}$ Twin age at death: |
| $\underline{17}$ | 1. LIVE BIRTH (SINGLE) <br> 2. MULTIPLE LIVE BIRTH <br> 3. MULTIPLE (LB WITH SB) <br> 4. STILLBIRTH (SINGLE) <br> 5. MULTIPLE STILLBIRTH <br> 6. MISCARRIAGE <br> 7. INDUCED ABORTION <br> 8. ECTOPIC PREGNANCY | $\begin{aligned} & \ldots-\mathrm{MTH}^{2} \\ & -\ldots-\ldots \mathrm{YR} \\ & \text { 98. DK/NR } \end{aligned}$ | 1. $\qquad$ WEEKS OR <br> 2. $\qquad$ MTHS <br> 8. 88 DK <br> 9. $99 \mathrm{NR} / \mathrm{REF}$ <br> IF Q316>3 GO TO NEXT PREG | 1. BOY <br> 2. GIRL | 1. YES->NEXT PREG <br> 2. NO |  |
|  |  |  |  | IF Q316=2 2nd Twin: <br> 1. BOY <br> 2. GIRL | 2nd Twin: <br> 1.YES <br> 2. NO | $2^{\text {nd }}$ Twin age at death: |
| 18 | 1. LIVE BIRTH (SINGLE) <br> 2. MULTIPLE LIVE BIRTH <br> 3. MULTIPLE (LB WITH SB) <br> 4. STILLBIRTH (SINGLE) <br> 5. MULTIPLE STILLBIRTH <br> 6. MISCARRIAGE <br> 7. INDUCED ABORTION <br> 8. ECTOPIC PREGNANCY | $\qquad$ MTH $\qquad$ YR <br> 98. DK/NR | 1. $\qquad$ WEEKS OR 2. $\qquad$ MTHS <br> 8. 88 DK <br> 9. $99 \mathrm{NR} / \mathrm{REF}$ <br> IF Q316>3 GO TO NEXT PREG | 1. BOY <br> 2. GIRL | 1. YES->NEXT PREG <br> 2. NO | 1. $\qquad$ DAYS <br> 2. $\qquad$ MTHS <br> 3. $\qquad$ YEARS <br> 8. 88 DK <br> 9. $99 \mathrm{NR} / \mathrm{REF}$ |
|  |  |  |  | IF Q316=2 <br> 2nd Twin: <br> 1. BOY <br> 2. GIRL | 2nd Twin: <br> 1.YES <br> 2. NO | $2^{\text {nd }}$ Twin age at death: |
| 19 | 1. LIVE BIRTH (SINGLE) <br> 2. MULTIPLE LIVE BIRTH <br> 3. MULTIPLE (LB WITH SB) <br> 4. STILLBIRTH (SINGLE) <br> 5. MULTIPLE STILLBIRTH <br> 6. MISCARRIAGE <br> 7. INDUCED ABORTION <br> 8. ECTOPIC PREGNANCY | $\qquad$ MTH $\qquad$ YR <br> 98. DK/NR | 1. $\qquad$ WEEKS OR <br> 2. $\qquad$ MTHS <br> 8. 88 DK <br> 9. 99 NR/REF <br> IF Q316>3 GO TO NEXT PREG | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 1. BOY } \\ & \text { 2. GIRL } \end{aligned}$ | 1. YES->NEXT PREG <br> 2. NO | 1. $\qquad$ DAYS <br> 2. $\qquad$ MTHS <br> 3. $\qquad$ YEARS <br> 8. 88 DK <br> 9. $99 \mathrm{NR} / \mathrm{REF}$ |
|  |  |  |  | IF Q316=2 2nd Twin: <br> 1. BOY <br> 2. GIRL | 2nd Twin: <br> 1.YES <br> 2. NO | $2^{\text {nd }}$ Twin age at death: |

## HEALTH CARE DURING THE LAST BIRTH SINCE JANUARY 2003

| 323F | INTERVIEWER, CHECK THE PREGNANCY HISTORY AND RECORD IF THE WOMAN HAD ANY PREGNANCY THAT RESULTED IN BIRTH (Q316= 1,2,3,4,or 5) SINCE JANUARY 2003. |  | 1. YES <br> 2. NO BIRTHS SINCE $2003 \rightarrow$ SEC |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 324F | COPY THE PREGNANCY NUMBER AND OUTCOME OF THE LAST BIRTH SINCE 2003 |  | PREGNANCY \# <br> PREGNANCY OUTCOME: "1", "2", " 3 ", " 4 , or " 5 " |  |  |
| 325. | Now, I would like to talk to you about your last birth. While you were pregnant with that baby (babies if twin pregnancy), how often did you usually drink beer, stout, wine, rum, liquor or other alcoholic drinks? |  | 0. NOT AT ALL 4. 3-4 DAYS A WEEK <br> 1. <ONCE A MONTH 5. NEARLY EVERY DAY <br> 2. 1 OR 2 DAYS A MONTH 8. DON'T REMEMBER <br> 3.1 OR 2 DAYS A WEEK 9. REFUSED |  |  |
| 326. | On the average, how many cigarettes did you smoke per day during that pregnancy? |  | 0. NONE <br> 1. 1-4 (JUST A FEW ) <br> 2. 5-10 CIGARETTES (OR $1 / 2$ PACK) <br> 3. $11+$ (MORE THAN $1 / 2$ PACK) <br> 8. DON'T REMEMBER |  |  |
| 327. | Were you given any injection to prevent the baby from getting tetanus, AKA lock jaw, during that pregnancy? |  | 1. YES - FOR TETANUS <br> 2. YES - DON'T KNOW WHAT FOR <br> 3. $\mathrm{NO} \longrightarrow$ Q329 |  |  |
| 328. | How many injections were given? |  | $\square$ INJECTIONS 8 NOT SURE |  |  |
| 329. | Did you see anyone for a prenatal check during that pregnancy? |  | 1. YES <br> 2. NO $\longrightarrow$ Q333 |  |  |
| 330. | Where did you go for most of the prenantal care? |  | 1. GOV'T HEALTH CENTRE / CLINIC <br> 2. GOVERNMENT HOSPITAL <br> 3. PRIVATE HOSPITAL <br> 4. RURAL MATERNITY CENTRE <br> 5. PRIVATE DOCTOR / CLINIC <br> 6. MIDWIFE <br> 7. OTHER |  |  |
| 331. | How many times did you go? |  | times |  | 77 NOT SURE, MORE THAN 9 <br> 88 DOES NOT REMEMBER |
| 332. | In what month of the pregnancy did the prenatal care begin? |  |  | MONTH | 88 DOES NOT REMEMBER |
| 333. | Was your blood pressure ever checked during that pregnancy? |  | 1. YES <br> 2. NO $\longrightarrow$ Q335 <br> 8. DOES NOT REMEMBER $\longrightarrow$ Q335 |  |  |
| 334. | During your last (this) pregnancy, were you told more than once that your blood pressure was high? |  | 1. YES <br> 2. NO <br> 8. DOES NOT REMEMBER |  |  |
| 335. | Where did you give birth to your last baby? | HOSPITAL CODES <br> A = Victoria Jubilee Hospital (VJH); <br> University Hospital of the West Indies (UHWI); <br> Cornwall Regional Hospital (CRH). <br> B = Savanna-la-mar Hospital (SLMH); <br> Mandeville Hospital (MH); <br> St. Ann's Bay Hospital(SABH); <br> Spanish Town Hospital (STH). | 1. A <br> 2. B <br> 3. OTHER GOVERNMENT HOSPITAL <br> 4. PRIVATE HOSPITAL <br> 5. PRIVATE NURSING HOME <br> 6. RURAL MATERNITY CENTRE <br> 7. OWN HOME <br> 8. HOME OF RELATIVE / FRIEND <br> 9. OTHER $\qquad$ |  |  |
| 336. | Who is the main person who assisted with the delivery? |  | 1. DOCTOR <br> 2. TRAINED NURSE / MIDWIFE <br> 3. NANA <br> 7. OTHER <br> 0. NO ONE |  |  |
| 337. | Was the delivery a normal delivery, delivery by forceps or suction, or by Caesarean Section? |  | 1. NORMAL DELIVERY <br> 2. FORCEPS OR SUCTION DELIVERY <br> 3. CAESAREAN DELIVERY |  |  |
| 338. | Did you have any seizures or convulsions while in labor or immediately after delivery? <br> (PROBE IFRESPONDENT WAS TOLD THAT SHE HAD ECLAMPSIA) |  | 1. YES <br> 2. NO <br> 8. DOES NOT REMEMBER |  |  |
| 339. | How many months after birth did your period (menstruation) return? |  |  | MONTHS | 66. NOT YET RESUMED |
| 340. | How many months after birth did you resume sexual relations? |  |  | MONTHS | 66. NOT YET RESUMED |

## SECTION IV - WOMEN'S HEALTH

Now, I would like to ask you some questions about your health.

| 400. | In general, how is your health, would you say it is... (READ 1-4) | 1. Excellent <br> 2. Very Good <br> 3. Fair <br> 4. Poor <br> 8. DOES NOT KNOW/NOT SURE |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 401. | Have you ever had a routine gynaecologic examination? <br> (PROBE: Routine Exam Outside Pregnancy) | 1. YES $\longrightarrow$ Q403 <br> 2. NO <br> 9. REFUSED TO ANSWER |
| 402. | What is the principal reason why you have not had a routine gynaecologic exam? | 1. SHE FEELS THAT SHE DOES NOT NEED A GYNAECOLOGIC EXAM <br> 2. SHE IS HEALTHY AND HAS NO GYNAECOLOGIC PROBLEMS <br> 3. THERE IS NO TIME TO GO FOR GYNAECOLOGIC EXAMINATION <br> 4. SHE FORGETS ABOUT IT <br> 5. SHE DOES NOT LIKE GYNAECOLOGIC EXAMINATIONS <br> 6. IT IS DIFFICULT TO GET APPOINTMENT <br> 7. DOES NOT LIKE THE PLACE / FACILITY <br> 8. DOES NOT LIKE THE STAFF <br> 9. WAITING TIME IS TOO LONG <br> 10. DOCTOR HAS NOT RECOMMENDED <br> 11. SHE IS EMBARRASSED TO HAVE GYNAECOLOGIC EXAMINATION <br> 12. NEVER THOUGHT OF IT <br> 13. NOT CURRENTLY SEXUALLY ACTIVE <br> 14. NEVER HAD SEXUAL INTERCOURSE (CHECK IF "00" IN Q303) <br> 20. OTHER (SPECIFY): $\qquad$ <br> 88. DOES NOT KNOW / NOT SURE |
| 403. | When was your last routine gynaecologic examination? <br> (READ 1-4) | 1. Within the last year <br> 2. $1-2$ years ago ( $12-23$ months) <br> 3. $2-3$ years ago ( $24-35$ months) <br> 4. 3 or more years ago <br> 8. DOES NOT KNOW / DOES NOT REMEMBER |
| 404. | A Pap Smear is a test for cancer of the cervix which is done during a pelvic examination by a doctor or nurse. How long has it been since your last Pap smear, if ever? | 1. NEVER HAD ONE <br> 2. LESS THAN 1 YEAR <br> 3. 1 YEAR, LESS THAN 2 YEARS AGO <br> 4. 2 TO 3 YEARS <br> 5. MORE THAN 3 YEARS AGO <br> 8. DOES NOT KNOW / NOT SURE |
| 405. | What is the main reason why you have never had a Pap smear? | 1. NEVER HEARD OF IT <br> 2. DOCTOR HAS NOT RECOMMENDED IT <br> 3. SHE IS HEALTHY AND HAS NO GYNAECOLOGIC PROBLEMS <br> 4. SHE DOES NOT FEEL TEST IS NECESSARY <br> 5. DOES NOT HAVE TIME TO GO FOR TEST / NEGLIGENCE <br> 6. NEVER THOUGHT OF IT <br> 7. SHE IS AFRAID OF THE RESULTS <br> 8. SHE IS AFRAID IT COULD BE PAINFUL <br> 9. TOO EMBARRASSED TO GET THE TEST OR A PELVIC EXAM <br> 10. SHE HAS NO PARTNER / SHE IS NOT SEXUALLY ACTIVE <br> 20. OTHER (SPECIFY): $\qquad$ <br> 88. DOES NOT KNOW <br> 99. REFUSED |
| 406. | After the test, were you told that you needed follow-up treatment? | 1. YES <br> 2. NO, NOT TOLD $\longrightarrow$ Q410 <br> 3. NO, DOES NOT HAVE THE RESULT YET $\longrightarrow$ Q410 <br> 8. DOES NOT REMEMBER $\longrightarrow \mathbf{Q 4 1 0}$ |



| 420. | In the past 12 months, have you ... (READ A-D) |  | Smoked any ganja? <br> Drank ganja tea? <br> Used cocaine/crack? <br> Used other drugs? (SPECIFY) $\qquad$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline \text { YES } \\ & \hline 1 \\ & 1 \\ & 1 \\ & 1 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { NO } \\ & \hline 2 \\ & 2 \\ & 2 \\ & 2 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | NOT SURE <br> 8 <br> 8 <br> 8 <br> 8 | $\begin{gathered} \text { REF. } \\ \hline 9 \\ 9 \\ 9 \\ 9 \end{gathered}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 420A. | Now, I will ask you about some medical conditions that you may have had. Has a doctor ever told you that you have.... (READ A-G) | A. B. C. D. E. F. G. | Diabetes <br> Anemia <br> High blood pressure <br> Pelvic Inflammatory Disease (PID) <br> Urinary tract infection <br> Asthma <br> Hepatitis B | $\begin{array}{r} \text { YES } \\ \hline 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \frac{\text { NO }}{2} \\ & 2 \\ & 2 \\ & 2 \\ & 2 \\ & 2 \\ & 2 \end{aligned}$ | NOT SURE <br> 8 <br> 8 <br> 8 <br> 8 <br> 8 <br> 8 <br> 8 | REF <br> 9 <br> 9 <br> 9 <br> 9 <br> 9 <br> 9 <br> 9 |
| 421. | In the past 12 months, have you had a vaginal discharge that was not menstrual? | 1. | $\begin{aligned} & \text { YES } \\ & \text { NO } \rightarrow \text { Q425 } \\ & \text { NOT SURE } \longrightarrow \text { Q425 } \\ & \text { REFUSED } \longrightarrow \text { Q425 } \end{aligned}$ |  |  |  |  |
| 422. | Along with the discharge, did you have any.... <br> (READ A-D) | A. B. |  YES <br> Itching 1 <br> Painful urination 1 <br> Painful intercourse 1 <br> Lower abdominal pain 1 |  |  | OT SURE <br> 8 <br> 8 <br> 8 <br> 8 |  |
| 423. | Did you have any treatment for this/these condition(s)? |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { YES } \rightarrow \text { Q425 } \\ & \text { NO } \rightarrow \text { NOT REMEMBER/REFUS } \\ & \text { DOES NOT } \end{aligned}$ | SED | Q425 |  |  |
| 424. | Where have you been treated? <br> (PROBE: MAIN SOURCE OF TREATMENT) | $\begin{array}{r} 5 . \\ 6 . \\ 7 . \\ 8 . \\ 9 . \\ 20 . \\ 88 . \end{array}$ | GOVERNMENT HOSPITAL <br> GOVERNMENT HEALTH CLINIC PRIVATE HOSPITAL PRIVATE CLINIC PRIVATE DOCTOR PHARMACY <br> FACTORY / WORKPLACE SELF-TREATMENT TREATMENT RECOMMENDED OTHER (SPECIFY) $\qquad$ DOES NOT KNOW/ DOES NOT | C / CE <br> BY FR <br> T REM | E <br> D / R ER |  |  |
| 425. | In the past 12 months, have you had any sores, warts or ulcers in the genital area? | 1. 2. 8. 9. | ```YES NO }\longrightarrow\mathrm{ SECTION V NOT SURE }\longrightarrow\mathrm{ SECTION V REFUSED }\longrightarrow\mathrm{ SECTION V``` |  |  |  |  |
| 426. | Did you have treatment for this condition? | 1. 2. 8. | YES <br> $\mathrm{NO} \rightarrow$ SECTION V <br> DOES NOT REMEMBER/REFUS | SED | SEC |  |  |
| $427 .$ | Where have you been treated? <br> (PROBE: MAIN SOURCE OF TREATMENT) | $\begin{array}{r} 1 . \\ 2 . \\ 2 . \\ 3 . \\ 4 . \\ 5 . \\ 6 . \\ 7 . \\ 8 . \\ 9 . \\ 20 . \\ 88 . \end{array}$ | GOVERNMENT HOSPITAL <br> GOVERNMENT HEALTH CLINIC PRIVATE HOSPITAL PRIVATE CLINIC PRIVATE DOCTOR PHARMACY <br> FACTORY / WORKPLACE SELF-TREATMENT TREATMENT RECOMMENDED OTHER (SPECIFY) $\qquad$ DOES NOT KNOW/ DOES NOT | C / C <br> BY F <br> REM | E <br> D / R <br> ER |  |  |

## SECTION V- CONTRACEPTIVE KNOWLEDGE AND USE

| Now I am going to ask you some questions about Family Planning; this is about methods that couples use to delay or avoid pregnancy. |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| READ THE NAME OF EACH METHOD AND CIRCLE "1" OR "2" IN Q501, AS APPROPRIATE. <br> THEN, FOR EACH METHOD WITH CODE "1" CIRCLED IN Q501, ASK Q502. |  | $501 .$ <br> Have you heard of (METHOD)? |  | $502 .$ <br> Have you ever used (METHOD)? |  |
| METHOD: <br> A. Female sterilization, tubal ligation (a.k.a tie-off) |  | YES | NO | YES | NO |
|  |  | 1 | 2 | 1 | 2 |
| B. Male sterilization, vasectomy (a.k.a. male tie-off) |  | 1 | 2 | 1 | 2 |
| C. Implants (e.g. Norplant) |  | 1 | 2 | 1 | 2 |
| D. IUD / Coil |  | 1 | 2 | 1 | 2 |
| E. Injection |  | 1 | 2 | 1 | 2 |
| F. The Pill |  | 1 | 2 | 1 | 2 |
| G. Condom |  | 1 | 2 | 1 | 2 |
| H. Female Condom |  | 1 | 2 | 1 | 2 |
| I. Diaphragm |  | 1 | 2 | 1 | 2 |
| J. Emergency Contraceptive Protection Pill (a.ka. the Morning After Pill) |  | 1 | 2 | 1 | 2 |
| K. Vaginal Foaming Tablets /Jelly /Creams (Spermicides) |  | 1 | 2 | 1 | 2 |
| L. Withdrawal |  | 1 | 2 | 1 | 2 |
| M. Rhythm, Calendar, Billings (a.k.a the safe period) |  | 1 | 2 | 1 | 2 |
| N. OTHER (SPECIFY) |  | 1 | 2 | 1 | 2 |
| 503F | INTERVIEWER, CHECK QUESTION Q502. HAS RESPONDENT EVER USED AT LEAST ONE METHOD OF CONTRACEPTION (AT LEAST ONE " 1 " CIRCLED IN Q502)? | 1. EVER USED METHODS (ONE "1" IN Q502A—N) $\longrightarrow$ Q506 <br> 2. NEVER USED A CONTRACEPTIVE METHOD |  |  |  |
| 504. | Have you or any of your partners ever used any method to prevent pregnancy? | 1. YES (ASK WHAT METHOD; GO BACK AND CORRECT <br> 2. NO |  |  |  |
| 505F | INTERVIEWER, CHECK QUESTION Q303 ON PAGE 4. HAS RESPONDENT EVER HAD SEXUAL INTERCOURSE? | 1. EVER HAD SEXUAL INTERCOURSE $\longrightarrow$ Q547, PAGE 17 <br> 2. NEVER HAD SEX $\rightarrow$ SECTION VII |  |  |  |
| 506. | How old were you when you first used contraception? | YEARS |  | DOES NOT REMEMBER |  |
| 507. | How many living children did you have when you first used contraception? |  | DREN | NO LIVING <br> DOES NOT | DREN <br> EMBER |
| $508 .$ | Are you and your partner currently (last 30 days) using a method of contraception or doing anything to prevent pregnancy? | 1. YES <br> 2. NO <br> 8. NOT S | Q544, $\qquad$ | 17 <br> 44, PAGE 17 |  |


| 509. Which method? | 1. FEMALE STERILIZATION, TUBAL LIGATION <br> 2. MALE STERILIZATION, VASECTOMY <br> 3. IMPLANT (NORPLANT) <br> 4. IUD / COIL <br> 5. INJECTION <br> 6. PILL <br> 7. CONDOM <br> 8. DIAPHRAGM <br> 9. EMERGENCY CONTRACEPTIVE PROTECTION (ECP) <br> 10. SPERMICIDES <br> 11. WITHDRAWAL <br> 12. RHYTHM, CALENDAR, BILLINGS <br> 20. OTHER (SPECIFY): $\qquad$ |
| :---: | :---: |
| 510. Are you and your partner also using a second method at the same time for either sexually transmitted disease prevention or contraception? | 1. YES <br> 2. NO $\longrightarrow$ Q512F <br> 8. NOT SURE $\rightarrow$ Q512F |
| 511. Which method? | 1. FEMALE STERILIZATION, TUBAL LIGATION <br> 2. MALE STERILIZATION, VASECTOMY <br> 3. IMPLANT (NORPLANT) <br> 4. IUD / COIL <br> 5. INJECTION <br> 6. PILL <br> 7. CONDOM <br> 8. DIAPHRAGM <br> 9. EMERGENCY CONTRACEPTIVE PROTECTION (ECP) <br> 10. SPERMICIDES <br> 11. WITHDRAWAL <br> 12. RHYTHM, CALENDAR, BILLINGS <br> 20. OTHER (SPECIFY): |
| 512F VERIFY IF RESPONDENT IS CURRENTLY USING THE PILL (CODE "6" IN Q509 OR Q511) | 1. PILL USER <br> 2. NOT A PILL USER $\longrightarrow$ Q514F |
| 513. What brand of pill do you currently use? | 1. MINIGYNON <br> 2. PERLE (LOW DOSE) <br> 3. OVRAL <br> 4. NORDETTE <br> 5. GYNERA <br> 6. TRI-REGOL <br> 7. OTHER (SPECIFY): <br> 8. DON'T KNOW / NOT SURE |
| $\begin{array}{ll}514 F & \text { VERIFY IF RESPONDENT IS CURRENTLY USING } \\ \text { EMERGENCY CONTRACEPTION (ECP); (CODE "9" IN } \\ \\ \text { Q509 OR Q511). }\end{array}$ | 1. ECP USER <br> 2. NOT ECP USER $\longrightarrow$ Q516F |
| 515. Where did you get the information about the Emergency Contraceptive Protection Pill (ECP), also known as the Morning After Pill? | 1. GOVERNMENT HOSPITAL <br> 2. GOVERNMENT HEALTH CLINIC / CENTRE <br> 3. PRIVATE HOSPITAL <br> 4. PRIVATE CLINIC <br> 5. PRIVATE DOCTOR <br> 6. PHARMACY <br> 7. OUTREACH WORKER <br> 8. FACTORY / WORKPLACE <br> 9. SUPERMARKET/SHOP/BAR <br> 20. OTHER (SPECIFY) $\qquad$ <br> 88. OES NOT KNOW/ DOES NOT REMEMBER |
| 516F VERIFY IF RESPONDENT OR PARTNER IS CURRENTLY USING TUBAL LIGATION OR VASECTOMY (CODE "1" OR "2" IN Q509 OR Q511). | 1. TUBAL LIGATION USER $\longrightarrow$ Q521 <br> 2. TUBAL LIGATION AND VASECTOMY USER <br> 3. VASECTOMY USER ONLY <br> 4. NOT USING TUBAL LIGATION OR VASECTOMY $\rightarrow$ Q528 |
| 517. In what facility did your husband/partner vasectomy take place? | 1. GOVERNMENT HOSPITAL <br> 2. GOVERNMENT HEALTH CLINIC / CENTRE <br> 3. PRIVATE HOSPITAL <br> 4. PRIVATE CLINIC <br> 5. PRIVATE DOCTOR <br> 7. OTHER (SPECIFY) <br> 8. DOES NOT KNOW/ DOES NOT REMEMBER |



| $531 .$ | Can you get family planning services there at any time or do they only offer family planning services at special times during the day or on certain days? | 1. CAN GET FAMILY PLANNING SERVICES AT ANY TIME $\longrightarrow$ Q535 <br> 2. CAN ONLY GET FAMILY PLANNING SERVICES AT CERTAIN TIMES/DAYS <br> 8. DOES NOT KNOW/NOT SURE |  |  |
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| 532. | Are the special times or days convenient for you? | 1. YES $\longrightarrow$ Q535 <br> 2. NO <br> 8. NOT SURE |  |  |
| 533. | What time of day is convenient for you to get family planning services? (READ A-E). | A. Early Morning (Until 10.00AM) <br> B. Late morning (10.00AM-Noon) <br> C. Early Afternoon (12.00PM-3PM) <br> D. Late Afternoon (3.00PM-6.00PM) <br> E. Evenings (6.00PM or Later) <br> F. DOES NOT KNOW/NOT SURE | YES <br> 1 <br> 1 <br> 1 <br> 1 <br> 1 <br> 1 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { NO } \\ & \hline 2 \\ & 2 \\ & 2 \\ & 2 \\ & 2 \\ & 2 \end{aligned}$ |
| $534 .$ | Which day, or days of the week are convenient for you? <br> CIRCLE ALL MENTIONED | A. MONDAY <br> B. TUESDAY <br> C. WEDNESDAY <br> D. THURSDAY <br> E. FRIDAY <br> F. SATURDAY <br> G. SUNDAY | MENTIONED <br> 1 <br> 1 <br> 1 <br> 1 <br> 1 <br> 1 <br> 1 | NOT MENTIONED <br> 2 <br> 2 <br> 2 <br> 2 <br> 2 <br> 2 <br> 2 |
| 535. | Do you think the waiting time at the health centre/hospital is too long or not too long? | 1. TOO LONG <br> 2. NOT TOO LONG <br> 8. DOES NOT KNOW/NOT SURE |  |  |
| $536 .$ | How long does it take you to get to the place where you <br> or your partner get the contraceptive supplies? | 1. LESS THAN 15 MIN <br> 2. 15-29 MINUTES <br> 3. $30-44$ MINUTES <br> 4. $45-59$ MINUTES <br> 5. 1 HOUR OR MORE <br> 6. SUPPLIES OFFERED AT HOME <br> 7. OTHER $\qquad$ <br> 8. DOES NOT KNOW NOT SURE | R WORK PL |  |
|  | Do you or your partner pay for the contraceptive method you now use? | 1. YES <br> 2. NO <br> 8. NOT SURE |  |  |
| 538. | Would you prefer to use a different method of family planning from the one you are currently using? | 1. YES <br> 2. $\mathrm{NO} \rightarrow$ Q547 <br> 8 <br> NOT SURE $\longrightarrow$ Q547 |  |  |
| $539 .$ | What method would you prefer to use <br> (OTHER THAN THE METHOD SPECIFIED IN Q509) | 1. FEMALE STERILIZATION, TUB <br> 2. MALE STERILIZATION, VASE <br> 3. IMPLANT (NORPLANT) <br> 4. IUD / COIL <br> 5. INJECTION <br> 6. PILL <br> 7. CONDOM <br> 8. DIAPHRAGM <br> 9. EMERGENCY CONTRACEPTI <br> 10. SPERMICIDES <br> 11. WITHDRAWAL <br> 12. RHYTHM, CALENDAR, BILLIN <br> 20. OTHER (SPECIFY): $\qquad$ | AL LIGATION TOMY <br> VE PROTECTIO <br> GS | ECP) |
| $540 .$ | Do you know where to obtain this method (OR INFORMATION ABOUT A NATURAL METHOD IF IT IS RHYTHM, CALENDAR OR WITHDRAWAL) | 1. YES <br> 2. NO $\longrightarrow$ Q543 <br> 8. NOT SURE $\longrightarrow$ Q543 |  |  |

541. Where can you obtain this preferred method?
(OR INFORMATION ABOUT A NATURAL METHOD)
542. How much time would you or your partner have to travel to obtain the supplies or information about the method?

GOVERNMENT HOSPITAL
GOVERNMENT HEALTH CLINIC / CENTRE
PRIVATE HOSPITAL
PRIVATE CLINIC
PRIVATE DOCTOR
PHARMACY
OUTREACH WORKER
FACTORY / WORKPLACE
SUPERMARKET/SHOP/BAR
20. OTHER (SPECIFY)

DOES NOT KNOW/DOES NOT REMEMBER
LESS THAN 15 MIN
15-29 MINUTES
30-44 MINUTES
45-59 MINUTES
1 HOUR OR MORE
SUPPLIES OFFERED AT HOME OR WORK PLACE OTHER
DOES NOT KNOW NOT SURE
DOCTOR WILL NOT PRESCRIBE IT
COST
NOT AVAILABLE/DIFFICULT ACCES/UNRELIABLE SOURCE
SOURCE TOO FAR AWAY
DO NOT KNOW HOW/WHERE TO OBTAIN IT
HUSBAND/PARTNER OBJECTS TO IT
RELIGIOUS REASONS $\}$ Q547
FEAR OF SIDE EFFECTS
STILL THINKING ABOUT IT/HAS NOT MADE UP HER MIND
DIFFICULT TO USE
FEAR OF SURGERY (IUD, TUBAL LIGATION, NORPLANT) OTHER
DON'T KNOW
FEMALE STERILIZATION, TUBAL LIGATION
MALE STERILIZATION, VASECTOMY
IMPLANT (NORPLANT)
IUD / COIL
INJECTION
PILL
CONDOM
DIAPHRAGM
EMERGENCY CONTRACEPTIVE PROTECTION (ECP)
SPERMICIDES
WITHDRAWAL
RHYTHM, CALENDAR, BILLINGS
OTHER (SPECIFY):
546. Where did you obtain that method?

1. GOVERNMENT HOSPITAL
2. GOVERNMENT HEALTH CLINIC / CENTRE
3. PRIVATE HOSPITAL
4. PRIVATE CLINIC
5. PRIVATE DOCTOR
6. PHARMACY
7. OUTREACH WORKER
8. FACTORY / WORKPLACE
9. SUPERMARKET/SHOP/BAR
10. OTHER (SPECIFY)
11. DOES NOT KNOW/DOES NOT REMEMBER

## COMPLETE THE REST OF THE CONTRACEPTIVE CALENDAR FOR THOSE WHO HAVE USED CONTRACEPTION SINCE JANUARY

USE CALENDAR TO PROBE FOR PERIODS OF USE AND NONUSE, STARTING WITH MOST RECENT USE, BACK TO JANUARY 2003.
USE NAMES OF CHILDREN, DATES OF BIRTH, AND PERIODS OF PREGNANCY AS REFERENCE POINTS.
IN COLUMN 2, ENTER METHOD USE CODE OR '0’ FOR NONUSE IN EACH BLANK MONTH. ILLUSTRATIVE QUESTIONS:

- When was the last time you used a method? Which method was that?
- When did you start using that method? How long after the birth of (NAME)?
- How long did you use the method then?

IN COLUMN 3, ENTER CODES FOR DISCONTINUATION ONE MONTH AFTER THE LAST MONTH OF USE. ILLUSTRATIVE QUESTIONS: - Why did you stop using the (METHOD)?

- Did you become pregnant while using (METHOD), or did you stop to get pregnant, or did you stop for some other reason?

406. COLUMN 1 (PREGNANCY OUTCOME)
407. PREGNANT THAT MONTH
408. LIVE BIRTH
409. STILLBIRTH
410. MISCARRIAGE
411. INDUCED ABORTION
412. ECTOPIC PREGNANCY

## 407. COLUMN 2 (METHOD USED)

0. NO METHOD
1. FEMALE STERILIZATION, TUBAL LIGATION
2. MALE STERILIZATION, VASECTOMY
3. IMPLANT
4. IUD/COIL
5. INJECTION
6. THE PILL
7. CONDOM
8. DIAPHRAGM
9. EMERGENCY CONTRACEPTIVE PROTECTION
10. SPERMICIDES
11. WITHDRAWAL
12. RHYTHM/CALENDAR/BILLING
13. FEMALE CONDOM
14. OTHER $\qquad$
15. DOES NOT REMEMBER

## COLUMN 3 (MAIN REASON THE USE WAS

1. GOT PREGNANT WHILE USING
2. WANTED TO GET PREGNANT
3. HUSBAND OBJECTED
4. SIDE EFFECTS
5. HEALTH CONCERNS
6. STOPPED TO "REST THE BODY"
7. PHYSICIAN DECISION
8. SUPPLY/AVAILABILITY
9. DIFFICULT/INCONVENIENT TO USE
10. MARRIAGE/RELATIONSHIP ENDED
11. WANTED TO TRY OTHER METHOD
12. SPORADIC SEXUAL ACTIVITY
13. NO LONGER ABLE TO GET PREGNANT
14. OTHER(SPECIFY)
15. NOT SURE/DOES NOT REMEMBER

| DATE | 1 | 2 | 3 | DATE | 1 | 2 | 3 |
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549F. DETERMINE FROM THE CALENDAR:

1. CONTRACEPTION USED IN JANUARY 2003 $\rightarrow$ CONTINUE
2. CONTRACEPTION NOT USED IN JANUARY 2003 $\rightarrow$ Q551F
3. You said that in January of 2003 you were using $\qquad$ (WRITE METHOD USED IN COLUMN 2_JAN 2003). When did you start using that method? $\square$ MONTH $\square$ YEAR MONTH

| 551F | INTERVIEWER, VERIFY COLUMN 2 IN THE CALENDAR FOR THE MONTH OF THE INTERVIEW | 1. CURRENTLY USING TUBAL LIGATION OR VASECTOMY (1 or 2$) \longrightarrow$ SECTION VI <br> 2. CURRENTLY USING ANOTHER METHOD (3-20) $\rightarrow$ Q557 <br> 3. NOT CURRENTLY USING A CONTRACEPTIVE METHOD |
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| 552. | Do you think you are physically able to get pregnant at the present time? | 1. YES $\longrightarrow$ Q554 <br> 2. CURRENTLY PREGNANT $\longrightarrow$ Q555 <br> 3. NO <br> 8. NOT SURE |
| 553. | What is the main reason why you think you cannot get pregnant? | 1. DOES NOT HAVE A PARTNER/NO SEXUAL RELATIONS <br> 2. RESPONDENT CURRENTLY IS BREAST-FEEDING /POSTPARTUM <br> 3. PELVIC INFLAMMATORY DISEASE (PID) <br> 4. HORMONAL DYSFUNCTION <br> 5. HYSTERECTOMY (SURGICAL REMOVAL OF UTERUS) <br> 6. PREMENOPAUSE/ MENOPAUSE <br> 7. OVARIAN CYSTS/ OVARIAN DYSFUNCTION <br> 8. RESPONDENT HAD BOTH TUBES REMOVED OR OBSTRUCTED <br> 9. SHE DID NOT SUCCEED TO GET PREGNANT IN THE PAST 2 YEARS <br> 10. PARTNER IS INFERTILE <br> 11. CURRENTLY USES A METHOD (GO BACK TO Q508 AND CORRECT SECTION) <br> 20. OTHER (SPECIFY) $\qquad$ <br> 88. DOES NOT KNOW <br> 99. REFUSE TO ANSWER |
| 554. | Why are you and your partner not using a method to prevent pregnancy now? | 1. NO SEXUAL RELATIONS <br> 2. HEALTH / MEDICAL REASONS <br> 3. POSTPARTUM / BREASTFEEDING <br> 4. RESPONDENT OPOSES CONTRACEPTIVES <br> 5. PARTNER OPPOSES <br> 6. PARTNER WANTS HER TO BECOME PREGNANT <br> 7. HEALTH CONCERNS <br> 8. FEAR OF SIDE EFFECTS <br> 9. SOURCES FAR AWAY <br> 10. LACK OF KNOWLEDGE OF METHODS <br> 11. LACK OF KNOWLEDGE OF A SOURCE <br> 12. LACK OF ACCESS/TOO FAR <br> 13. CAN'T AFFORD COST <br> 14. HEALTH CARE PROVIDER / PHARMACIST WON'T GIVE THEM <br> 15. RELIGION AGAINST <br> 16. FATALISTIC <br> 20. OTHER (SPECIFY): $\qquad$ <br> 88. NOT SURE |
| 555. | Do you think you will use a contraceptive method any time in the future? | 1. YES <br> 2. NO $\longrightarrow$ Q557 <br> 8. NOT SURE $\rightarrow$ Q557 |
| 556. | What method would you want to use most? | 1. FEMALE STERILIZATION, TUBAL LIGATION <br> 2. MALE STERILIZATION, VASECTOMY <br> 3. IMPLANT (NORPLANT) <br> 4. IUD / COIL <br> 5. INJECTION <br> 6. PILL <br> 7. CONDOM <br> 8. DIAPHRAGM <br> 9. EMERGENCY CONTRACEPTIVE PROTECTION (ECP) <br> 10. SPERMICIDES <br> 11. WITHDRAWAL <br> 12. RHYTHM, CALENDAR, BILLINGS <br> 20. OTHER (SPECIFY): $\qquad$ |
| 557. | Now I have some questions about the future. Would you like to have (a/another) child, or would you prefer not to have any (more) children? (IF CURRENTLY PREGNANT ADD: "after this pregnancy") | 1. WANT A(ANOTHER) CHILD <br> 2. NO MORE CHILDREN $\longrightarrow$ Q560 <br> 3. GOD'S WILL, FATE $\longrightarrow$ Q560 <br> 8. NOT SURE $\longrightarrow$ Q560 |



## SECTION VI - SEXUAL ACTIVITY AND EARLY CHILDBEARING

| $600 .$ | INTERVIEWER: CHECK Q303 ON PAGE 4 <br> DID THE RESPONDENT EVER HAVE SEXUAL ACTIVITY? |  | 1. YES <br> 2. $\mathrm{NO} \longrightarrow$ SECTION VII |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $601 .$ | Now I need to ask you some questions about sexual activity. Please think back to all men with whom you have ever had sexual intercourse, even if it was only once or you did not know them well. When was the last time you had sexual intercourse? <br> IF MORE THAN 12 MONTHS ANSWER MUST BE RECORDED IN YEARS. |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 1. } \\ & \text { 2. } \\ & \text { 3. } \\ & \text { 4. } \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ |  |  |
| 602. | When was the last time you had sexual intercourse with this (second/third) person? | SEXUAL | TNER |  NEXT-TO-LAST <br>  <br>  <br>  <br>  <br> SEXUAL PARTNER <br> 1. $\square$ <br> 2.  <br> 2.  <br> 3. DAYS AGO <br> 3. $\square$ |  SECOND-TO-LAST  <br>  SEXUAL PARTNER  <br> 1. $\square$  <br> 2. DAYS AGO  <br> 2. $\square$  <br> 3. $\square$  <br> 3EEKS AGO   <br>  $\square$  |
| $603 .$ | What was your relationship to this (last/second/third) person you had sexual intercourse? | 1. HUSBAND <br> 2. LIVE-IN-PARTNE <br> 3. VISITING PARTN <br> 4. BOYRIEND <br> 5. FRIEND <br> 6. CASUAL ACQUA <br> 7. OTHER $\qquad$ | R <br> ER <br> NTANCE | 1. HUSBAND <br> 2. LIVE-IN-PARTNER <br> 3. VISITING PARTNER <br> 4. BOYRIEND <br> 5. FRIEND <br> 6. CASUAL <br> 7. OTHER | 1. HUSBAND <br> 2. LIVE-IN-PARTNER <br> 3. VISITING PARTNER <br> 4. BOYRIEND <br> 5. FRIEND <br> 6. CASUAL <br> 7. OTHER |
| $604 .$ | The last time you had sexual intercourse with (this/ second/ third) person, was a contraceptive method used? | 1. YES 2. 8. 8. DK $\quad$ Q60 |  | $\begin{array}{ll}\text { 1. } & \text { YES } \\ \text { 2. } & \\ \text { 8. } \\ \text { DK } \longrightarrow\end{array} \mathbf{Q 6 0 8}$ | 1. YES <br> 2. $\mathrm{NO} \longrightarrow \mathrm{Q} 608$ <br> 8. DK $\longrightarrow$ Q608 |
| 605. | What was this method? | 1. TUBAL LIGATION <br> 2. VASECTOMY <br> 3. IMPLANT <br> 4. IUD/COIL <br> 5. INJECTION <br> 6. THE PILL <br> 7. CONDOM <br> 8. DIAPHRAGM <br> 9. ECP <br> 10. SPERMICIDES <br> 11. WITHDRAWAL <br> 12. RHYTHM/CALEND <br> 20. OTHER $\qquad$ |  | 1. TUBAL LIGATION <br> 2. VASECTOMY <br> 3. IMPLANT <br> 4. IUD/COIL <br> 5. INJECTION <br> 6. THE PILL <br> 7. CONDOM <br> 8. DIAPHRAGM <br> 9. ECP <br> 10. SPERMICIDES $\qquad$ <br> 11. WITHDRAWAL <br> 12. RHYTHM/CALENDAR <br> 20. OTHER $\qquad$ | 1. TUBAL LIGATION <br> 2. VASECTOMY <br> 3. IMPLANT <br> 4. IUD/COIL <br> 5. INJECTION <br> 6. THE PILL <br> 7. CONDOM <br> 8. DIAPHRAGM <br> 9. ECP <br> 10. SPERMICIDES $\qquad$ <br> 11. WITHDRAWAL <br> 12. RHYTHM/CALENDAR <br> 20. OTHER $\qquad$ |
| $\sqrt{606 .}$ | The last time you had sexual intercourse with (this/ second/ third) person, was a second method used for disease or pregnancy prevention? | 1. YES <br> 2. $\mathrm{NO} \longrightarrow$ Q60 <br> 8. $\mathrm{DK} \longrightarrow$ Q60 |  | 1. YES <br> 2. $\mathrm{NO} \longrightarrow$ Q608 <br> 8. $\mathrm{DK} \longrightarrow$ Q608 | 1. YES <br> 2. $\mathrm{NO} \longrightarrow$ Q608 <br> 8. $\mathrm{DK} \longrightarrow$ Q608 |
| 607. | What was this second method? | 1. TUBAL LIGATION <br> 2. VASECTOMY <br> 3. IMPLANT <br> 4. IUD/COIL <br> 5. INJECTION <br> 6. THE PILL <br> 7. CONDOM <br> 8. DIAPHRAGM <br> 9. ECP <br> 10. SPERMICIDES <br> 11. WITHDRAWAL <br> 12. RHYTHM/CALEND <br> 20. OTHER |  | 1. TUBAL LIGATION <br> 2. VASECTOMY <br> 3. IMPLANT <br> 4. IUD/COIL <br> 5. INJECTION <br> 6. THE PILL <br> 7. CONDOM <br> 8. DIAPHRAGM <br> 9. ECP <br> 10. SPERMICIDES $\qquad$ <br> 11. WITHDRAWAL <br> 12. RHYTHM/CALENDAR <br> 20. OTHER | 1. TUBAL LIGATION <br> 2. VASECTOMY <br> 3. IMPLANT <br> 4. IUD/COIL <br> 5. INJECTION <br> 6. THE PILL <br> 7. CONDOM <br> 8. DIAPHRAGM <br> 9. ECP <br> 10. SPERMICIDES $\qquad$ <br> 11. WITHDRAWAL <br> 12. RHYTHM/CALENDAR <br> 20. OTHER |
| $608 .$ | The last time you had sexual intercourse with (this/ second/ third) person, did you or this person drink alcohol or take any drugs, including weed? | 1. YES, DRANK ALC <br> 2. YES, USED DRUG <br> 3 YES, BOTH <br> 4. NO, NO ALCOHOL | jHOL <br> OR DRU | 1. YES, DRANK ALCOHOL <br> 2. YES, USED DRUGS <br> 3 YES, BOTH <br> 4. NO, NO ALCOHOL OR DRUGS | $\begin{array}{ll} \text { 1. } & \text { YES, DRANK ALCOHOL } \\ \text { 2. } & \text { YES, USED DRUGS } \\ 3 & \text { YES, BOTH } \\ \text { 4. } & \text { NO, NO ALCOHOL OR DRUGS } \end{array}$ |
| 609. | Apart from [this person/these two people], have you had sexual intercourse with any other person in the past 12 months? | 1. YES $\qquad$ <br> 2. NO $\qquad$ | 2 NEXT UMN <br> 10 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 1. YES } \longrightarrow \begin{array}{l} \text { Q602 NEXT } \\ \text { COLUMN } \\ \text { 2. NO } \longrightarrow \text { Q610 } \end{array} \end{aligned}$ | 1. YES $\qquad$ Q610 <br> 2. NO $\longrightarrow$ Q610 |



| 622F | INTERVIEWER: CHECK AGE OF RESPONDENT | 1. 15-24 YEARS <br> 2. <br> 25-49 YEARS $\qquad$ SECTION VIII |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 623. | Now I have some questions about the first time you had sexual intercourse. In what month and year did you first have sexual intercourse? (CHECK Q303 ON PAGE 4 AND VERIFY AGE AT FIRST INTERCOURSE WITH MONTH AND YEAR) | $\square$ MONTH <br> 88. DOES NOT REME 99. REFUSED | 88. DOES NOT REMEMBER <br> 99. REFUSED | YEAR |
| 624. | What was your relationship with the person you first had sexual intercourse? | 1. HUSBAND/LIVE-IN PARNTER <br> 6. RELATIVE <br> 2. FIANCÉ <br> 3. BOYFRIEND <br> 4. FRIEND <br> 5. ACQUAINTANCE <br> 7. JUST MET <br> 8. RAPE/INCEST $\qquad$ Q633 <br> 20. OTHER (SPECIFY) $\qquad$ <br> 98. NOT REMEMBER/REF |  |  |
| $625 .$ | How old was the person you first had sexual intercourse with? <br> PROBE: "Was this person older than you, younger than you, or about the same age as you?" AND OBTAIN AN ESTIMATE. | YEARS $\begin{array}{l}\text { 88. } \\ \text { IF "88" OR "99" ASK Q625A; OTHERWISE GO TO Q626 }\end{array}$ |  |  |
| 625A | How much older or younger was the person with whom you had your first sexual experience? Was she.... (READ 1-4) | 1. More than 10 year older <br> 2. 5-10 year older <br> 3. Less than 5 year older <br> 4. Younger <br> 8. DK/NO RESPONSE |  |  |
| $626 .$ | How long were you going with him when you first had sexual intercourse? <br> ENTER DURATION IN ONE UNIT OF TIME ONLY <br> IF JUST MET, RECORD '00' DAYS | 1. $\square$ DAYS <br> 2. $\square$ WEEKS <br> 3. $\square$ MONTHS <br> 4. $\square$ YEARS |  |  |
| 627. | How would you describe the first time you had sexual intercourse? Would you say that you wanted to have sex, you did not want to have sex but it happened anyway, or were you forced to have sex? | 1. WANTED TO HAVE SEX <br> 2. DID NOT WANT BUT IT HAPPENED ANYWAY <br> 3. FORCED TO HAVE SEX <br> 8. DOES NOT REMEMBER |  |  |
| 628. | The first time you had sexual intercourse did you or your partner use a contraceptive method? | 1. YES <br> 2. $\mathrm{NO} \longrightarrow \quad$ Q632 <br> 8. DOES NOT REMEMBER $\longrightarrow$ Q632 <br> 9. REFUSED $\longrightarrow$ Q632 |  |  |
| 629. | What was this method? | 1. TUBAL LIGATION 8. <br> DIAPHRAGM   <br> 2. VASECTOMY 9. ECP <br> 3. IMPLANT 10. SPERMICIDES <br> 4. IUD/COIL 11. WITHDRAWAL $\longrightarrow$ Q631 <br> 5. INJECTION 12. RHYTHM/CALENDAR $\rightarrow$ Q631 <br> 6. THE PILL 20. OTHER (Specify) $\longrightarrow$ <br> 7. CONDOM 88. DOES NOT REMEMBER |  |  |
| 630. | Where did you get this method? | 1. GOVERNMENT HOSPITAL <br> 2. GOVERNMENT HEALTH CLINIC / CENTRE <br> 3. PRIVATE HOSPITAL <br> 4. PRIVATE CLINIC <br> 5. PRIVATE DOCTOR <br> 6. PHARMACY <br> 7. OUTREACH WORKER <br> 8. FACTORY / WORKPLACE <br> 9. SUPERMARKET/SHOP/BAR <br> 10. PARTNER <br> 20. OTHER (SPECIFY) $\qquad$ <br> 88. DOES NOT KNOW/ DOES NOT REMEMBER |  |  |
|  | Whose decision was to use the method? Was it ... (READ 1-3) | $\left.\begin{array}{ll}\text { 1. } & \text { Your decision } \\ \text { 2. } & \text { Your partner's decision } \\ \text { 3. } & \text { Decision made together } \\ \text { 8. } & \text { DOES NOT REMEMBER }\end{array}\right\} \rightarrow$ Q633F |  |  |



## SECTION VII - FAMILY LIFE AND SEX EDUCATION (FOR RESPONDENTS AGED 15-24 YEARS)



|  | How many weeks did the class or course last? <br> RESPONSE MUST BE RECORDED IN WEEKS; IF LESS THAN 1 WEEK, CODE AS '00’ <br> IF THE CLASS WAS TAUGHT FOR A WHOLE SCHOOL YEAR, WRITE IN " 36 " WEEKS | 66. SEVERAL WEEKS, NOT SURE HOW MANY <br> 77. MORE THAN 1 YEAR <br> 88. DOES NOT REMEMBER AT ALL |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 713. | On the average, how many hours per week was the class or course taught? <br> IF LESS THAN ONE HOUR, WRITE IN "00" | $\square$ HOURS <br> 77. MANY HOURS, DON'T REMEMBER NUMBER <br> 88. DOES NOT REMEMBER AT ALL |  |  |
| 714. | What grade of schooling were you in when you had this first class or course? <br> (IF FIRST COURSE RECEIVED WHILE ATTENDING POST-SECONDARY EDUCATION WRITE IN "77") | 77. COURSE RECEIVED DURING TERTIARY LEVEL OF EDUCATION <br> 88. DOES NOT REMEMBER |  |  |
| 715. | How old were you at that time? | YEARS 88. DOES NOT REMEMBER |  |  |
| 716. | Who was the main person who taught this first class or course? | 1. SCHOOL TEACHER <br> 2. NURSE <br> 3. COUNSELLOR OR PSYCHOLOGIST <br> 8. OTHER (SPECIFY): $\qquad$ |  |  |
| 717. | Did this first class or course in school include information about...? <br> (READ A-G) | A. The woman's menstrual cycle or period <br> B. Pregnancy and how it occurs <br> C. Condoms <br> D. Other modern methods such as pill, IUD or injections <br> E. HIV/AIDS <br> F. Other Sexually Transmitted Diseases <br> G. Abstinence | YES NO <br> 1 2 <br> 1 2 <br> 1 2 <br> 1 2 <br> 1 2 <br> 1 2 <br> 1 2 | DR <br> 8 <br> 8 <br> 8 <br> 8 <br> 8 <br> 8 <br> 8 |
| 718. | Did the class or course include information on the following services available for adolescents? <br> (READ A-C) | A. Counselling <br> B. Clinic services <br> C. Distribution of contraceptives | $\frac{\text { YES }}{1}$ $\frac{\text { NO }}{2}$ <br> 1 2 <br> 1 2 | DK <br> 8 <br> 8 <br> 8 |
| 719. | At what age do you think family life or sex education should begin in schools? | $\square$ YEARS <br> 77. IT SHOULD NOT BE TAUGHT IN SCHOOLS <br> 88. DOESN'T KNOW |  |  |
| 720. | Have you ever had a formal class or course about family life or sex education anywhere outside of the school or home? | 1. YES <br> 2. $\mathrm{NO} \longrightarrow$ Q726 |  |  |
| 721. | Where was this first class or course held? | 1. COMMUNITY CENTER <br> 2. CLINIC <br> 3. CLUB <br> 4. CHURCH <br> 5. YOUTH CENTRE <br> 6. BAR <br> 7. WORK PLACE <br> 8. HEART <br> 20. OTHER (SPECIFY): $\qquad$ <br> 88. DOESN'T REMEMBER |  |  |



|  | Within the past 6 months, have you seen or heard any of the following programmes about family life or sex education? <br> (READ OPTIONS A-F) <br> IF NO PROGRAMME(S) SEEN OR HEARD (ALL ANSWERED "2"), SKIP TO Q733 OTHERWISE, CONTINUE | A. "Teen Seen" <br> B. NFPB "Youth Forum" <br> C. Marge Roper Radio Program <br> D. "Outta Road" Radio Drama <br> E. Radio commercials <br> F. TV commercials | $\begin{gathered} \hline \text { YES } \\ \hline 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{gathered}$ | N |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 731. | Did any of these programmes cause you to behave differently? | 1. YES <br> 2. NO <br> $\rightarrow$ Q733 <br> 8. DOESN'T KNOW $\longrightarrow$ Q733 |  |  |  |
| 732. | Which one? Was it (READ A-F) | A. Teen Seen <br> B. NFPB Youth Forum <br> C. Marge Roper Radio Program <br> D. "Outta Road" Radio Drama <br> E. Radio commercials <br> F. TV commercials | $\begin{gathered} \hline \text { YES } \\ \hline 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{gathered}$ | N |  |
| 733. | Have you ever seen or heard messages from the JASTYLE Radio Series Drama "Outta Road", the JASTYLE "Good Parenting" activities (such as the calendar) or any other JA-STYLE activities? | 1. YES <br> 2. <br> $\rightarrow \mathrm{NO} \quad$ Q735 <br> 8. NOR SURE $\rightarrow$ Q735 |  |  |  |
|  | Did any of these messages include information on the following topics...? (READ A-F) | A. HIV/AIDS <br> B. Drug Use <br> C. Gender Violence <br> D. Teen Pregnancy <br> E. Sexual Abuse <br> F. Preventing Pregnancy and STDs | $\begin{gathered} \hline \text { YES } \\ \hline 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{NO} \\ & \hline 2 \\ & 2 \\ & 2 \\ & 2 \\ & 2 \\ & 2 \end{aligned}$ | DK <br> 8 <br> 8 <br> 8 <br> 8 <br> 8 <br> 8 |
| 735. | Have you ever belong to any youth clubs or participate in any extra-curricular activities targeted toward adolescents in your community? | 1. YES <br> 2. NO $\rightarrow$ Q737 <br> 8. DON'T REMEMBER $\longrightarrow$ Q737 <br> 9. REFUSED $\longrightarrow$ Q737 |  |  |  |
| 736. | What were these activities? <br> PROBE "ANY OTHER ACTIVITY?" <br> CIRCLE "1" FOR ALL MENTIONED <br> CIRCLE "2" FOR ALL NOT MENTIONED | A. AFTER-SCHOOL SPORTING ACTIVITIES <br> B. DEBATING <br> C. CHURCH ACTIVITIES <br> D. EDUCATIONAL (EXTRA LESSONS, HOME-WORK PROGRAMMES, ETC) <br> E. 4 H CLUBS <br> F. YOUTH ADVOCACY NETWORK <br> G. MARCHING BAND <br> H. DRAMA OR DANCE GROUPS <br> I. OTHER (SPECIFY): $\qquad$ | MENTIONED <br> 1 <br> 1 <br> 1 <br> 1 <br> 1 <br> 1 <br> 1 <br> 1 <br> 1 | NOT ME | ONED |
| 737. | Where do you usually go for medical/health care? | 1. NOWHERE <br> 2. PUBLIC CLINIC (HEALTH CENTRE, HEALTH PO <br> 3. HOSPITAL <br> 4. CIVIC OR CHURCH ORGANIZATION <br> 5. PRIVATE DOCTOR <br> 6. PHARMACIST <br> 7. TRADITIONAL HEALER, HERBALIST, BUSH DO <br> 8. DON'T KNOW <br> 9. NO RESPONSE | DISPENSAR <br> OR, OBEAH M | OLYCLIN |  |
| 738. | Have you ever received health counseling on the following health topics: <br> (READ A-C) | A. Family Planning <br> B. HIV/AIDS <br> C. Other STDs | $\begin{gathered} \hline \text { YES } \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \hline \mathrm{NO} \\ 2 \\ 2 \\ 2 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \hline \text { DK/DR } \\ 8 \\ 8 \\ 8 \end{gathered}$ |


| 740 F | INTERVIEWER: VERIFY AGE OF RESPONDENT (REFER TO Q102) | 1. 15-19 <br> 2. $\quad \mathbf{2 0} \mathbf{- 2 4} \longrightarrow$ SECTION VIII |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Now I am going to read you some statements about |  | AGREE | DISAGREE | DK/NS |
|  | social support at home and outside the home. Please tell | A. Is interested in your school work | 1 | 2 | 8 |
|  | me whether you agree or disagree with each statement. | B. Talks with you about your problems | 1 | 2 | 8 |
|  |  | C. Gives you enough attention | 1 | 2 | 8 |
|  | In your home, there is an adult who ... | D. Listens to you when you have something to say | 1 | 2 | 8 |
|  | (READ A-G) | E. Expects you to follow the rules | 1 | 2 | 8 |
|  |  | F. Always wants you to do your best | 1 | 2 | 8 |
|  |  | G. Believes that you will be a success | 1 | 2 | 8 |
| 742. | Outside the home, there is an adult who... |  | AGREE | DISAGREE | DK/NS |
|  | (READ A-G) | A. Really cares about you | 1 | 2 | 8 |
|  |  | B. Tells you when you do a good job | 1 | 2 | 8 |
|  |  | C. Notices when you're not there | 1 | 2 | 8 |
|  |  | D. Listens to you when you have something to say | 1 | 2 | 8 |
|  |  | E. Always wants you to do your best | 1 | 2 | 8 |
|  |  | F. Notices when you're upset about something | 1 | 2 | 8 |
|  |  | G. Believes that you will be a success | 1 | 2 | 8 |

## SECTION VIII - ATTITUDES TOWARDS CONTRACEPTION AND CHILDBEARING



## SECTION IX - GENDER AND VIOLENCE

| 900. | Now I would like to ask a few questions about your family <br> Do you believe that physical punishment is necessary to raise children well, for example spanking, cuffing, or hitting them? |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 1. YES } \\ & \text { 2. } \mathrm{NO} \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 901. | In this household, are the children punished when they do not behave well? |  | 1. YES <br> 2. $\mathrm{NO} \longrightarrow$ Q904 <br> 3. NO CHILDREN (AGE 1-15) IN THE HOUSE | $D \longrightarrow \text { Q904 }$ |  |
| 902. | PROBE: Another way? <br> (MARK ALL THE RESPONSES MENTIONED, DO NOT READ LIST) |  | A. SCOLDING THEM VERBALLY <br> B. TAKING AWAY SOMETHING THEY LIKE <br> C. CUFFING OR SPANKING <br> D. HITTING THEM WITH THE HAND OR FIST <br> E. HITTING THEM WITH A BELT, STICK, OR OTHER OJBECT <br> F. LOCKING THEM IN/ISOLATING THEM <br> G. GIVING THEM EXTRA CHORES <br> H. LOCKING THEM OUT OF THE HOUSE <br> I. OTHER $\qquad$ | MENTIONED M <br> 1 <br> 1 <br> 1 <br> 1 <br> 1 <br> 1 <br> 1 <br> 1 <br> 1 | IOT TIONED 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 |
| 903. | Who is most likely to punish the children? Is it... (READ 1-4) |  | 1. You <br> 2. Your partner <br> 3. Both you and your partner <br> 4. Someone else? |  |  |
| 904. | In this community and elsewhere, people have different ideas about families and what is acceptable behavior for men and women in the home. I am going to read you a list of statements, and I would like you to tell me whether you generally agree or disagree with the statement There are no right or wrong answers (READ A-F) | A. A good wife <br> B. Family proble <br> C. It is importan <br> D. It is a wife's doesn't feel <br> E. It is all right other wome <br> F. If a man mist intervene | beys her husband even if she disagrees ms should only be discussed with people in the family for a man to show his wife/partner who is the boss bligation to have sex with her husband even if she e it <br> a wife to refuse sex with her husband if he sees <br> eats his wife, others outside of the family should | AGREE DISAGREE <br> 1 2 <br> 1 2 <br> 1 2 <br> 1 2 <br> 1 2 <br> 1 2 | DK/NS <br> 8 <br> 8 <br> 8 <br> 8 <br> 8 <br> 8 |
| 905. | In your opinion, does a man have a good reason to hit his wife if... (READ A-E): | A. She does not complete her household work to his satisfaction <br> B. She disobeys him <br> C. She refuses to have sexual relations with him <br> D. She asks him whether he has other girlfriends <br> E. He finds out that she has been unfaithful |  | AGREE DISAGR <br>  1 <br> 1 2 <br> 1 2 <br> 1 2 <br> 1 2 | DK/NS <br> 8 <br> 8 <br> 8 <br> 8 <br> 8 |
| 906. | Now I have some questions about your childhood. Thinking about your childhood before you turned age 15, did you ever see or hear your father or stepfather slap, kick, shove, or hit your mother or stepmother? | 1. YES <br> 2. NO <br> 3. DID NOT <br> 8. DOES NOT | ROW UP WITH BOTH PARENTS REMEMBER |  |  |
| 907. | Before you turned 15 years of age, were you ever slapped, kicked, shoved, or hit by a parent or another adult family member? | 1. YES,BY MO <br> 2. YES, BY O <br> 3. NO <br> 8. DOES NOT | THER OR FATHER (STEP-MOTHER/STEP-FATHER) HER ADULT FAMILY MEMBER <br> REMEMBER |  |  |
| 908. | And after you turned age 15 until now, were you ever slapped, kicked, shoved, or hit by anyone other than a current or former partner? This may include a parent, a relative, someone at school, other people that you know, or even a stranger? | 1. YES <br> 2. $\mathrm{NO} \longrightarrow$ <br> 8. DOES NOT | $\text { EMEMBER } \longrightarrow \text { Q910F }$ |  |  |

909. Who was it that got physical with you after you turned age 15?
(CIRCLE ALL RESPONSES MENTIONED)

PROBE:
How about a relative?
How about someone at school or work?
How about a friend or neighbour?
How about a stranger or anyone else?

## 910F INTERVIEWER: VERIFY MARITAL HISTORY Q207 AND Q208 ON PAGE 3

## MENTIONED NOT MENTIONED

A. MOTHER OR FATHER
B. STEPFATHER/STEPMOTHER
C. BROTHER OR SISTER
D. OTHER FAMILY MEMBER
E. TEACHER
F. COLLEGUE AT SCHOOL
G. POLICE
H. BOYFRIEND OR DATE
I. STRANGER
J. OTHER 1

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1. EVER MARRIED, IN UNION OR IN VISITING PARTNERSHIP (Q208 > 0)
2. NEVER MARRIED/IN UNION/IN VISITING PARTHERSHIP (Q207=2) $\longrightarrow$ Q931

Now I would like to ask you questions about some other important aspects of family life. I know that some of these questions are very personal. However, your answers are crucial for helping to understand social norms in Jamaica. Let me assure you that your answers are completely confidential and will not be told to anyone.
911. When two people marry or live together, they share both good and bad moments.
In your relationship with your current (last) husband/partner, would you say it is generally true that he ....
(READ A-F)
912. During the past 12 months of your relationship, how frequently was he drunk? Would you say...
(READ 1-5)

| A. Tries to keep you from seeing your friends or family | $\frac{\text { YES }}{}$ | NO | REF |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| B. Insists on knowing where your are at all times | 1 | 2 | 9 |
| C. Ignores you or treats you indifferently | 1 | 2 | 9 |
| D. Gets angry if you speak with another man | 1 | 2 | 9 |
| E. Is often suspicious that your are unfaithful | 1 | 2 | 9 |
| F. Expects her to ask his permission for seeking health care | 1 | 2 | 9 |
| 1. Every day or almost every day | 1 | 2 | 9 |
| 2. Once or twice a week |  |  |  |
| 3. 1-3 times a month |  |  |  |
| 4. Occasionally |  |  |  |
| 5. Never |  |  |  |
| 8. DOES NOT REMEMBER |  |  |  |

The next set of questions is about violence and physical abuse that may have happened between you and a partner or ex-partner. When we say a partner we mean a wife, ex-wife, as well as any other woman you have been living with as husband and wife or with whom you had a visiting relation.
913. Please tell me if a partner has ever (READ A-I):
A. Insulted you or made you feel bad about yourself?
B. Threatened to hurt you or someone you care about?
C. Slapped you or thrown something at you that could hurt you?
D. Pushed you or shoved you or pulled your hair?
E. Hit you with his fist or with something else that could hurt you?
F. Threatened you with a gun, knife or other weapon?
G. Choked you or burnt you on purpose?
H. Kicked you, dragged you or beat you up?
I. Physically forced you to have sexual relations when you did not want to?

914. Has this happened in the past 12 months?

1. YES
2. NO
3. DOESN'T REMEMBER
4. YES
5. NO
6. DOESN'T REMEMBER
7. YES
8. NO
9. DOESN'T REMEMBER
10. YES
11. NO
12. DOESN'T REMEMBER
13. YES
14. NO
15. DOESN'T REMEMBER
16. YES
17. NO
18. DOESN'T REMEMBER
19. YES
20. NO
21. DOESN'T REMEMBER
22. YES
23. NO
24. DOESN'T REMEMBER
25. YES
26. NO
27. DOESN'T REMEMBER

| 915F | INTERVIEWER, CHECK IF RESPONDENT HAS EVER BEEN PHYSICALLY OR SEXUALLY ABUSED BY A PARTNER (ANY Q913_C - Q913_H=1) | 1. YES (ANY ANSWER "YES" IN Q913_C - Q913_I) <br> 2. NO (NO ANSWER "YES" IN Q913_C — Q913_I) $\rightarrow$ Q931 |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 916. | During or after a violent incident, does (did) he ever make you have sex with him against your will? How often? | 3. NEVER <br> 4. ONCE OR TWICE <br> 5. SEVERAL TIMES <br> 6. MANY TIMES/MOST OF THE TIMES <br> 8. NO RESPONSE |  |  |
| 916A | During the times that your husband/partner got physical with you or forced you to have sex, did you ever fight back physically? | 1. YES <br> 2. NO <br> 8. DOES NOT REMEMBER |  |  |
| $917 .$ | Have you ever hit or physically mistreated your husband/partner when he was not hitting or physically mistreating you? | 1. YES <br> 2. NO <br> 8. DOES NOT REMEMBER |  |  |
|  | INTERVIEWER, CHECK THE MONTH-BY-MONTH CALENDAR (PG. 18) AND RECORD IF SHE HAD ANY PREGNANCY (INCLUDING CURRENT) SINCE JAN 2003 | 1. YES <br> 2. $\mathrm{NO} \longrightarrow$ Q922F |  |  |
| 919. $\begin{array}{r}\text { v } \\ \\ \\ \hline\end{array}$ | During the last 5 years, did you ever experience physical violence while you were pregnant from a husband/partner or ex-husband/ex-partner? | 1. YES <br> 2. NO $\longrightarrow$ Q922F <br> 8. DOES NOT REMEMBER $\rightarrow$ Q922F |  |  |
| 920. | Had that same person also been physically violent toward you before you were pregnant? | 1. YES <br> 2. NO <br> 8. DOES NOT REMEMBER |  |  |
| 921. | Were you ever hit or kicked in the abdomen while you were pregnant? | 1. YES <br> 2. NO <br> 8. DOES NOT REMEMBER |  |  |
| 922F | INTERVIEWER, CHECK IF RESPONDENT HAS BEEN PHYSICALLY OR SEXUALLY ABUSED IN THE PAST 12 MONTHS (ANY Q914_C -Q914_H=1) | 1. YES (ANY ANSWER "YES" IN Q914_C <br> 2. NO (NO ANSWER "YES" IN Q914_C | 2914_I) |  |
| 923. | Now I would like to ask more about the consenuences of the violence or abuse that you experienced from your partner during the last year. As a result of abuse, did you have ? <br> (READ A-G): | A. Bruises or scratches? <br> B. Headaches or other pain? <br> C. Cuts. snrains or burns? <br> D. Stabs, penetrating wounds? <br> E. Broken eardrum. eve iniurv <br> F. Fractures, broken bones or teeth? <br> G. Other injuries? (SPECIFY) $\qquad$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { YES } \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \hline \text { NO } \\ 2 \\ 2 \\ 2 \\ 2 \\ 2 \\ 2 \\ 2 \\ 2 \\ 2 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ |
| 924. Did | Did you receive medical attention for the injury? | 1. YES <br> 2. NO <br> 8. DOES NOT REMEMBER |  |  |
| $925 .$ | As a result of abuse, did you miss days of work or were you unable to carry out activities for which you earn money? | 1. YES, ALL THE TIMES <br> 2. YES, SOMETIMES <br> 3. NO, NEVER <br> 8. DOES NOT REMEMBER |  |  |
| 926. | Now I would like to ask a few questions about what happens when you are/were violent during the last year. What are the usual situations that cause you to be violent? PROBE: Any other situation? <br> (CIRCLE ALL RESPONSES MENTIONED) | A. NO PARTICULAR REASON <br> B. WHEN HE IS DRUNK OR USING DRUGS <br> C. WHEN FAMILY HAS FINANCIAL PROBLEMS <br> D. NO FOOD OR ALCOHOL IN THE HOUSE <br> E. WHEN HE HAS WORK PROBLEMS <br> F. PROBLEMS WITH HIS OR HER FAMILY <br> G. WHEN HE IS JEALOUS OF HER <br> H. WHEN SHE COMPLAINS TO HIM <br> I. WHEN SHE REFUSES TO HAVE SEX <br> J. WHEN SHE DISOBEYS <br> K. IF SHE CHEATS <br> L. OTHER (SPECIFY) | MENTIONED 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 | NOT MENTIONEL |
| 927. | Did you tell anyone about the situation of violence that you suffered? | 1. YES <br> 2. NO $\rightarrow \quad$ Q930 <br> 8. DOES NOT REMEMBER $\longrightarrow$ Q930 |  |  |


| 928. Who did you tell about it?PROBE: Anyone else?(CIRCLE ALL RESPONSES MENTIONED) |  |  | MENTIONED NOT | NTIONED |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | A. FRIENDS | 1 | 2 |
|  |  | B. PARENTS | 1 | 2 |
|  |  | C. BROTHER OR SISTER | 1 | 2 |
|  |  | D. UNCLE OR AUNT | 1 | 2 |
|  |  | E. HUSBAND/PARTNER'S FAMILY | 1 | 2 |
|  |  | F. CHILDREN | 1 | 2 |
|  |  | G. NEIGHBORS | 1 | 2 |
|  |  | H. POLICE | 1 | 2 |
|  |  | I. DOCTOR /HEALTH CARE WORKER | 1 | 2 |
|  |  | J. PRIEST/RELIGIOUS LEADER | 1 | 2 |
|  |  | K. COUNSELLOR/LEGAL AID | 1 | 2 |
|  |  | L. LOCAL LEADER | 1 | 2 |
|  |  | M. OTHER (SPECIFY) | 1 | 2 |
| 929. | Did you go to any of the following places to ask for (READ A-H) |  | YES | NO |
|  |  | A. Police | 2 |  |
|  |  | B. Health Clinic | 1 | 2 |
|  |  | C. Court/solicitor | 1 | 2 |
|  | INTERVIEWER: IF SHE WENT TO ANY PLACE FOR | D. Legal aid center | 1931 | 2 |
|  | ASKING HELP (ANY "1" IN A-H), SKIP TO Q931 | E. Shelter/refuge | 1 \} | 2 |
|  |  | F. Safehouse, center, or women's organization | 1 | 2 |
|  |  | G. Church | 1 | 2 |
|  |  | H. Anywhere else? Where? |  | 2 |
| $930 .$ |  |  | MENTIONED NOT MENTIONED |  |
|  |  | A. DID NOT NEED HELP/IT WASN'T SERIOUS | 1 | 2 |
|  | (CIRCLE ALL RESPONSES MENTIONED) | B. DIDN'T KNOW WHERE TO GO | 1 | 2 |
|  |  | C. FEAR OF RETALLIATION/ MORE VIOLENCE | 1 | 2 |
|  |  | D. DOESN'T TRUST ANYONE | 1 | 2 |
|  |  | E. ASHAMED | 1 | 2 |
|  |  | F. FEAR OF DAMAGING THE FAMILY REPUTATION | 1 | 2 |
|  |  | G. SHE WOULD NOT BE BELIEVED/WOULD BE | 1 | 2 |
|  |  | H. AFRAID THE RELATIONSHIP WOULD END | 1 | 2 |
|  |  | I. BELIEVED IT WOUDN'T HELP | 1 | 2 |
|  |  | J. FEAR OF LOSING CUSTODY OF CHILDREN | 1 | 2 |
|  |  | K. OTHER (SPECIFY) | 1 | 2 |
| 931. | In their lives, many women experience different forms of violence from partners, relatives, other people that they know, or strangers. If you don't mind, I would like to briefly ask you about some of these situations. At any time in your life, did anyone ever force you to have sexual intercourse (with penetration) against your will? |  |  |  |
|  | INTERVIEWER, VERIFY Q913_H AND INCLUDE ACTS BY HUSBAND OR PARTNER | 8. DOES NOT REMEMBER/REF $\longrightarrow$ 934A |  |  |
| 932. | How old were you the first time this ever happened to you? | AGE | 77. NOT SURE, MORE THAN 12 <br> 88. DOES NOT REMEMBER |  |
| 933. | At that time, what was your relationship with the person(s) who forced you to have sexual intercourse against your will? | 1. HUSBAND/PARTNER <br> 2. EX-HUSBAND / EX-PARTNER <br> 3. FATHER/STEP-FATHER <br> 4. OTHER RELATIVE <br> 5. TEACHER <br> 6. BOYFRIEND/EX-BOYFRIEND <br> 7. NEIGHBOR/FRIEND/ACQUAINTANCE <br> 8. STRANGER <br> 20. OTHER (SPECIFY $\qquad$ <br> 98. REFUSED/DOES NOT REMEMBER |  |  |
| 934. | INTERVIEWER: DID YOU HAVE TO INTERRUPT THIS SECTION OF THE INTERVIEW BECAUSE SOME ADULT WAS TRYING TO LISTEN, OR CAME INTO THE ROOM, OR INTERFERED IN ANY OTHER WAY? |  YES, ONCE <br> A. HUSBAND/PARTNER 1 <br> B. OTHER ADULT MALE 1 <br> C. ADULT FEMALE $\mathbf{1}$ | YES, MORE THAN NCE 2 2 2 | NO 3 3 3 |
| 935. | INTERVIEWER: READ FINISH ONE OR TWO AND G ADVICE AND COUNSELLING SERVICES TO WOME | GIVE INFORMATION ON ORGANISATIONS THAT PROV N | IDE SUPPORT, LEG |  |

## SECTION X - HIV/AIDS AND OTHER STDs

| Now I will ask you some questions about sexually transmitted diseases (STDs); that is, illnesses which are acquired through sex with another person. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1001. What diseases do you know or have you heard transmitted through sexual relations? <br> Do you know or have you heard of... (READ A-H) | of that a |  | 1002. <br> Have you ever had $\qquad$ (READ A-H) |  | 1003. <br> Did you seek help to cure yourself of this disease? |  | 1004. <br> Whom did you seek help from to cure yourself of this disease? | 1005. <br> Was your partner also treated to cure this disease? |  |  |
|  | YES | NO | YES | NO | YES | NO | (FILL IN THE CODE BELOW) | YES | NO | DK |
| A. Syphilis (chancre) <br> A PAINLESS SORE OR ULCER IN THE VAGINA, PENIS, ANUS OR MOUTH; LATER, IT CAUSES A RASH IN THE SKIN OF THE PALMS OF THE HANDS AND SOLES OF THE FEET. IT CAN ALSO AFFECT THE BRAIN OR THE HEART IN ADVANCED STAGES. | 1 | $\begin{aligned} & 2 \\ & \downarrow \end{aligned}$ | 1 | 2 $\downarrow$ | 1 | $\begin{aligned} & 2 \\ & \downarrow \end{aligned}$ | -_- | 1 | 2 | 8 |
| B. Chancroid (soft chancre) APPEARS WITH PAINFUL BUMPS IN THE GENITALS WHICH FILL WITH PUS, AND WHEN THEY DRAIN, THEY LEAVE PAINFUL SORES. | 1 | 2 $\downarrow$ | 1 | 2 $\downarrow$ | 1 | $\begin{aligned} & 2 \\ & \downarrow \end{aligned}$ | - | 1 | 2 | 8 |
| C. Gonorrhea (a.k.a. clap) PRODUCES A DISCHARGE THAT IS EITHER WHITE OR YELLOW OR GREEN THAT CAN BE VAGINAL, URETHRAL OR ANAL. | 1 | 2 $\downarrow$ | 1 | 2 $\downarrow$ | 1 | $\begin{gathered} 2 \\ \downarrow \end{gathered}$ | - - | 1 | 2 | 8 |
| D. Genital herpes <br> ERUPT AS SMALL BLISTERS OR PAINFUL SORES ON THE GENITALS. | 1 | 2 1 | 1 | 2 $\downarrow$ | 1 | $\begin{aligned} & 2 \\ & \downarrow \end{aligned}$ | - | 1 | 2 | 8 |
| E. Papilloma/Genital warts MEATY GROWTHS THAT LOOK LIKE A ROOSTER'S CREST OR LIKE CAULIFLOWER, OF REDDISH, ASHEN OR PURPLISH COLOR. | 1 | 2 $\downarrow$ | 1 | 2 $\downarrow$ | 1 | $\begin{aligned} & 2 \\ & \downarrow \end{aligned}$ | - | 1 | 2 | 8 |
| F. Trichomoniasis IS A YELLOW-GREENISH VAGINAL DISCHARGE WHICH IS FROTHY AND HAS BAD ODOR; IT CAN CAUSE ITCHING AND PAIN DURING SEX. | 1 | 2 $\downarrow$ | 1 | 2 $\downarrow$ | 1 | $\begin{aligned} & 2 \\ & \downarrow \end{aligned}$ | - | 1 | 2 | 8 |
| G. Chlamydia PRODUCES A DISCHARGE WHICH CAN BE VAGINAL, URETHRAL OR ANAL. | 1 | 2 $\downarrow$ | 1 | 2 $\downarrow$ | 1 | $\begin{aligned} & 2 \\ & \downarrow \end{aligned}$ | - | 1 | 2 | 8 |
| H. HIV/AIDS HIV IS THE VIRUS THAT WEAKENS THE IMMUNE SYSTEM AND CAN CAUSE AIDS. | 1 | 2 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| CODES FOR QUESTION 1004: | 1. GOVERNMENT HOSPITAL <br> 2. GOVERNMENT HEALTH CLINIC / CENTRE <br> 3. PRIVATE HOSPITAL <br> 4. PRIVATE CLINIC <br> 5. PRIVATE DOCTOR <br> 6. PHARMACY <br> 7. OUTREACH WORKER |  |  |  |  |  | 8. FACTORY / WORKPLACE <br> 9. HEALER <br> 10. FRIEND/RELATIVE <br> 11. SELF-MEDICATED <br> 20. OTHER $\qquad$ <br> 88. DOES NOT REMEMBER <br> 99. REFUSED |  |  |  |
| 1006. If a woman has a sexually transmitted disease, what symptoms might she have? |  |  |  |  |  |  | MENTIONED | NOT MENTIONED |  |  |
| PROBE "ANY OTHER SYMPTOM?" <br> (DO NOT READ OUT THE SYMPTOMS) | B. VAGINAL DISCHARGE |  |  |  |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & 1 \\ & 1 \end{aligned}$ |  | 2 2 |  |
| CIRCLE "1" FOR ALL MENTIONED | D. BURNING PAIN ON URINATION |  |  |  |  |  | 1 |  | 2 |  |
| CIRCLE "2" FOR ALL NOT MENTIONED | E. REDNESS/INFLAMMATION IN GENITAL AREA |  |  |  |  |  | 1 |  | 2 |  |
|  | F. SWELLING IN GENITAL AREA |  |  |  |  |  | 1 |  | 2 |  |
|  | G. GENITAL SORES/ULCERS OR WARTS |  |  |  |  |  | 1 |  | 2 |  |
|  | H. GENITAL ITCHING |  |  |  |  |  | 1 |  | 2 |  |
|  | I. WEIGHT LOSS |  |  |  |  |  | 1 |  | 2 |  |
|  | J. HARD TO GET PREGNANT/HAVE CHILD |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 2 |  |


| $1007 .$ | In general, what has been your most important source of information about STDs, including AIDS? (Where or from whom have you learned the most about STDs) | 1. MOTHER <br> 2. FATHER <br> 3. OTHER RELATIVE <br> 4. GIRLFRIEND <br> 5. WIFE, PARTNER <br> 6. SOMEBODY WHO HAD STDs <br> 7. FRIENDS/COLLEAGUES/ PEERS <br> 8. OB/GYN DOCTOR <br> 9. DERMATOLOGIST <br> 10. FAMILY DOCTOR, GP <br> 11. NURSE, MIDWIFE, | 12. TEACHER <br> 13. PHARMACIST <br> 14. SPECIALTY BOOKS <br> 15. PRINT MEDIA <br> 16. RADIO <br> 17. TV <br> 18. MARGE ROPER HELP LINE <br> 20. OTHER $\qquad$ <br> 77. NEVER HEARD OF ANY STDs <br> (ALL Q1001_A - Q1001_H = 2) |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1008. | Have you heard about a test for HIV/AIDS? | 1. YES <br> 2. $\mathrm{NO} \longrightarrow$ Q1010F |  |  |  |
| 1009. | Do you know of a place where people can go to get tested for HIV? | 1. YES <br> 2. NO |  |  |  |
| 1010F | INTERVIEWER, CHECK IF RESPONDENT IS CURRENTLY PREGNANT AT LEAST 6 MONTHS (Q304 ON PAGE 4) | 1. YES $\longrightarrow$ Q1012 <br> 2. NO |  |  |  |
| 1011F | INTERVIEWER, CHECK IF RESPONDENT HAD LAST BIRTH SINCE JANUARY 2006 (PREGNANCY HISTORY ON PAGE 5) | 1. YES <br> 2. $\mathrm{NO} \longrightarrow$ Q1016 |  |  |  |
| 1012. | Did you see anyone for antenatal care during this pregnancy? | 1. YES <br> 2. $\quad \mathrm{NO} \longrightarrow$ Q1016 <br> 8. DOES NOT REMEMBER $\longrightarrow$ | Q1016 |  |  |
| $1013 .$ | During any of the antenatal visits for that pregnancy, did anyone talk to you about: <br> (READ A-C) | A. Babies getting the AIDS virus from their mother? <br> B. Things that you can do to prevent getting the AIDS virus? <br> C. Getting tested for the AIDS virus? | YES <br> 1 <br> 1 <br> 1 | NO <br> 2 <br> 2 <br> 2 | REMEMBER <br> 8 <br> 8 <br> 8 |
| 1014. | I don't want to know the results, but were you tested for the AIDS virus during any of your antenatal care visits? | 1. YES <br> 2. $\mathrm{NO} \longrightarrow$ Q1017 <br> 8. DOES NOT REMEMBER $\longrightarrow$ | Q1017 |  |  |
| 1015. | I don't want to know the results, but did you get the results of the test? | 1. YES $\longrightarrow$ Q1017 <br> 2. $\mathrm{NO} \longrightarrow$ Q1017 |  |  |  |
| 1016. | I don't want to know the results, but have you ever had an HIV test? | 1. YES <br> 2. $\mathrm{NO} \longrightarrow$ Q1022 <br> 8. DOES NOT REMEMBER $\longrightarrow$ | Q1022 |  |  |
| 1017. | During the past 12 months, have you had an HIV test? | 1. YES <br> 2. NO <br> 8. DOES NOT REMEMBER |  |  |  |
| 1018. | Where did you take the test? | 1. GOVERNMENT HOSPITAL OR CL <br> 2. STD CENTRE <br> 3. PRIVATE HOSPITAL OR CLINIC <br> 4. PRIVATE DOCTOR OR LAB <br> 5. NON-PROFIT/NON-GOVERNMEN <br> 7. OTHER (SPECIFY) <br> 8. DOES NOT REMEMBER | INIC <br> TAL ORG | NIZA |  |
| 1019. | Did you yourself ask for the test, was it offered to you and you accepted, or was it required? | 1. ASKED FOR TEST <br> 2. OFFERED \& ACCEPTED <br> 3. REQUIRED <br> 8. DOES NOT REMEMBER |  |  |  |
| 1020. | I don't want to know the results, but did you get the results of your test? | 1. YES <br> 2. NO <br> 3. NOT YET, BUT PLANNING TO/ | WAITIN |  | RESULT |
| $1021 .$ | Before getting the results, did someone talk with you about how HIV/AIDS is transmitted and how to prevent It? | $\left.\begin{array}{ll}\text { 1. } & \text { YES } \\ \text { 2. } & \text { NO }\end{array}\right\} \rightarrow$ Q1025F |  |  |  |


| 1022. | What is the reason you have never taken the test for HIV/AIDS? | 1. NEVER FELT IT NECESSARY <br> 2. AFRAID OF LACK OF CONFIDENTIALITY <br> 3. PARTNER WAS AGAINST IT <br> 4. RELATIVES WERE AGAINST IT <br> 5. FEAR OF THE RESULTS <br> 6. NEVER HAD TIME <br> 7. RELIGIOUS REASONS <br> 8. TOLD HEALTH STAFF SCOLDED PERSONS BEING TESTED <br> 9. TOLD THAT RESULT WAS NOT GIVEN <br> 10. LACK OF MONEY/TOO EXPENSIVE <br> 11. NEVER TOLD TO TAKE TEST <br> 20. OTHER (SPECIFY) <br> 88. DOES NOT KNOW |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1023. | If you were offered the test for HIV/AIDS at a low price or even free, would you be willing to take it? | 1. YES, IF IT WERE AT A LOW PRICE $\longrightarrow$ Q1025F <br> 2. YES, IF IT WERE FREE $\longrightarrow$ Q1025F <br> 3. NO <br> 8. NOT SURE |  |  |  |
| 1024. | Why would you not take it? | 1. DOES NOT NEED IT <br> 2. AFRAID OF LACK OF CONFIDENTIALITY <br> 3. PARTNER AGAINST IT <br> 4. RELATIVES AGAINST IT <br> 5. FEAR OF THE RESULTS <br> 6. NO TIME <br> 7. RELIGIOUS REASONS <br> 8. TOLD HEALTH STAFF SCOLDED PERSONS BEING TESTED <br> 9. TOLD THAT RESULT WAS NOT GIVEN <br> 20. OTHER (SPECIFY) $\qquad$ <br> 88. DOES NOT KNOW |  |  |  |
| 1025F | REFER TO Q1001_H AND RECORD IF RESPONDENT HAS HEARD ABOUT HIV/AIDS. | 1. YES <br> 2. NO $\longrightarrow$ Q1038 (RECORD THE TIME THE INTERVIEW ENDED) |  |  |  |
| 1026. | Do you think that a person can be infected with the AIDS virus and not appear sick? | 1. YES <br> 2. NO <br> 3. DOES NOT KNOW |  |  |  |
|  | Do you think that the HIV virus (that causes AIDS) can be transmitted from an infected mother to her child... <br> (READ A-C) | A. while she is pregnant? <br> B. during the delivery? <br> C. when she breastfeeds? | $\begin{gathered} \text { YES } \\ \hline 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{gathered}$ | NO <br> 2 <br> 2 <br> 2 | NOT SURE <br> 8 <br> 8 <br> 8 |
| 1028. | Are there any drugs that a woman infected with the AIDS virus can take to reduce the risk of transmission to the baby during pregnancy? | 1. YES <br> 2. NO <br> 8. DOES NOT KNOW |  |  |  |
| 1029. | Do you think that AIDS can be cured? (PROBE: AT PRESENT TIME) | 1. YES <br> 2. NO <br> 8. DOES NOT KNOW |  |  |  |
| INTERVIEWER: IN THE COLUMN OF Q1030 CIRCLE THE CODE "1" FOR EACH FORM OF PREVENTION THAT RESPONDENT MENTIONS SPONTANEOUSLY. FOR EACH OF THE FIRST THREE FORMS OF PREVENTION (A, B, AND C). IF THE RESPONDENT DOES NOT MENTION IT, ASK Q1031 AND CODE ACCORDINGLY. |  |  |  |  |  |
| $\begin{gathered} 1030 . \\ \& \\ 1031 . \end{gathered}$ | What can a person do to avoid being infected with HIV/AID <br> (FOR A-C AND L PROMPTED ADD "Can people reduce <br> A. Not having sex/Abstaining from sex <br> B. Having only one partner/stay faithful to one partne <br> C. Using condoms <br> D. NOT HAVING SEX WITH PROSTITUTES <br> E. NOT USING NEEDLES USED BY INFECTED P <br> F. NOT RECEIVING UNTESTED BLOOD TRANSF <br> G. NOT HAVING ORAL SEX <br> H. NOT HAVING ANAL SEX <br> I. NOT HAVING SEX WITH STRANGERS <br> J. NOT HAVING SEX WITH MEN WHO HAVE SEX <br> K. NOT HAVING SEX WITH WOMEN <br> L. Any other way? How? $\qquad$ | e risk of getting HIV by...") <br> Monogamy <br> RSONS SIONS <br> WITH OTHER WOMEN | SPONTAA <br> MENT <br> YES <br> 1 <br> 1 <br> 1 <br> 1 <br> 1 <br> 1 <br> 1 <br> 1 <br> 1 <br> 1 <br> 1 <br> 1 |  | 1031.  <br> PROMPT: Is this a  <br> wav of avoidina HIV?  <br> $\frac{\text { YES }}{1}$ $\frac{\text { NO }}{2}$ <br> 1 2 <br> 1 2 <br>   <br>   <br>   <br>   <br>   <br>   <br>   <br>   <br>   <br>   |


1038. THANK THE RESPONDENT FOR PARTICIPATING IN THE SURVEY AND RECORD THE TIME THE INTERVIEW HAD ENDED: $\square$ HOUR $\square \square$ MIN

## Male Questionnaire

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## HOUSEHOLD QUESTIONNAIRE

MALE




* Interview Status Codes:

1. Completed interview (household and individual)
2. Completed household interview-no eligible woman resident
3. Household interview deferred-nobody at home or no competent respondent at home to provide information
4. Completed household interview-individual interview deferred selected respondent not at home or not available
5. Partly completed individual interview-completion deferred
6. Refusal - household
7. Refusal - individual
8. Vacant dwelling
9. Other (specify):

Position: $\qquad$
Date:
Date:
10. How many persons live in this household? $\square$ NUMBER

PLEASE RECORD THE NAMES AND OTHER PARTICULARS OF ALL PERSONS WHO LIVE IN THIS HOUSEHOLD. THIS SHOULD INCLUDE ALL WHO USUALLY EAT AND SLEEP HERE. LIST ACCORDING TO AGE, WITH THE OLDEST HOUSEHOLD MEMBER LISTED FIRST!

SCHEDULE OF ALL PERSONS LIVING IN THE HOUSEHOLD

11. Number of eligible males aged 15-24 years living in household (Total of number of eligible males recorded in the Schedule). $\square$

IF THERE IS ONE OR MORE ELIGIBLE MALES, SELECT THE ONE TO BE INTERVIEWED, BASED ON THE INSTRUCTIONS GIVEN AND USING THE RANDOM TABLE SHOWN BELOW.

PROCEED WITH THE INDIVIDUAL QUESTIONNAIRE FOR THE SELECTED FEMALE.
IF THERE ARE NO ELIGIBLE MALES, RETURN TO AND COMPLETE THE TITLE PAGE.

## RANDOM SELECTION OF RESPONDENT

Questionnaire Number: 2 $\qquad$ Number of Eligible Males (Q11) $\qquad$

|  | Number of Eligible Males in the Household |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| questionnaire number | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 |
| 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 2 | 2 | 6 | 2 | 4 | 10 |
| 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 3 | 7 | 3 | 5 | 1 |
| 2 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 4 | 4 | 1 | 4 | 6 | 2 |
| 3 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 3 | 5 | 5 | 2 | 5 | 7 | 3 |
| 4 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 4 | 1 | 6 | 3 | 6 | 8 | 4 |
| 5 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 4 | 7 | 9 | 5 |
| 6 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 2 | 3 | 2 | 5 | 8 | 1 | 6 |
| 7 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 4 | 3 | 6 | 1 | 2 | 7 |
| 8 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 4 | 5 | 4 | 7 | 2 | 3 | 8 |
| 9 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 5 | 1 | 3 | 4 | 9 |

SEQUENCE NUMBER OF THE FEMALE SELECTED FOR INTERVIEW: $\square$

AFTER COMPLETING THE HOUSEHOLD QUESTIONNAIRE, RETURN TO TITLE PAGE AND COMPLETE INFORMATION ON THE INTERVIEW VISIT

COMMENTS (e.g. Reason for Deferring the Interview, Name of Selected Eligible Respondent, Date and Time of the Next Visit, Other)

INDIVIDUAL QUESTIONNAIRE MALE


116. Do you work regularly (at least 5 days every two weeks) in your present job?

1. Yes ○ 2. No
2. How many hours do you usually work per week? $\square$ Hours
3. NOT SPECIFIED
4. How many hours did you work during the week ending ......... ?
(INTERVIEWER, ASK ABOUT THE WEEK ENDED PRIOR TO THE INTERVIEW) $\square$ Hours 88. NOT SPECIFIED

| 119. Do you work at home or away from home? | 1.AT HOME <br> 2.AWAY FROM HOME <br> 3.BOTH |
| :---: | :---: |
| 120. Do you regularly read any of the following newspapers? <br> (READ OPTIONS A-E) <br> "REGULARLY" MEANS AT LEAST ONCE PER WEEK |  YES NO <br> A. Gleaner 1 2 <br> B. Star 1 2 <br> C. Sundav Herald 1 2 <br> D. Observer 1 2 <br> E. Anv other (SPECIFY) 1 2 |
| 121. Are there anv of the followina nossessions in vour (READ OPTIONS A-I) |  YES NO  <br> A. Electricity 1 2 <br> B. Radio 1 2 <br> C. Television 1 2  <br> D. VCR/DVD Plaver 1 2  <br> E. Refriaerator 1 2  <br> F. Telephone (land line) 1 2  <br> G. Telephone (cellular) 1 2  <br> H. Computer 1 2  <br> I. A workina motor vehicle (car or truck) 1 2  |
| 122. What type of fuel does this household mainly use for cooking? | 1. ELECTRICITY <br> 2. NATURAL GAS <br> 3. LIQUID PROPANE GAS (LPG) <br> 4. KEROSENE <br> 5. COAL <br> 6. WOOD <br> 7. STRAW/SHRUBS/GRASS <br> 8. ANIMAL DUNG <br> 9. OTHER |
| 123. How many rooms does your household occupy (exclude bathrooms and kitchen)? |  <br> ROOMS <br> 99. NO RESPONSE |
| 124. What is the main source of water for the household? | 1. PUBLIC PIPED INTO DWELLING <br> 2. PUBLIC PIPED INTO YARD <br> 3. PRIVATE PIPED INTO DWELLING/YARD <br> 4. PUBLIC STANDPIPE <br> 5. WELL WATER, WITHIN RESIDENCE <br> 6. PUBLIC WELL <br> 7. TANKER / TRUCK / WATER VENDOR <br> 8. SPRING <br> 9. SURFACE WATER (RIVER, STREAM, POND, LAKE, DAM) <br> 10. BOTTLED WATER <br> 20. OTHER (SPECIFY): $\qquad$ <br> 88. NOT STATED |
| 117. What type of toilet facilities does this household have? | 5. FLUSH TOILET LINKED TO SEWER <br> 6. FLUSH TOILET NOT LINKED TO SEWER (e.g. SEPTIC TANK) <br> 7. PIT LATRINE <br> $\begin{array}{lll}\text { 8. NO FACILITY / BUSH / FIELD } \\ \text { 7. OTHER (SPECIFY): } \\ \text { 8. NOT STATED / DON'T KNOW } & & \longrightarrow \\ \text { SECTION II } \\ \text { SECTION II } \\ \text { SECTION II }\end{array}$ |
| 118. Are these facilities shared with another household? | 3. SHARED <br> 4. NOT SHARED <br> 8. NOT STATED |

## SECTION II - RELATIONSHIP STATUS AND PARTNERSHIP HISTORY

Now, I would like to ask you some questions about your steady relationships


## DEFINITION OF TERMS:

Legally Married describes a person who has a contracted legal matrimony/or married according to customary rites and is not widowed, divorced or legally separated;

Common Law or Consensual Union describes the status in which the partners share a common household though the union has not been established by legal process or customs.

Visiting union refers to a status in which the partners live apart (the woman lives with her family), have sexual relations and often have children together; the man has some financial obligations (contributions in money, gifts, or goods) to his partner and his child(ren).

Dating (a girlfriend/boyfriend)) may or may not involve sexual relations, does not result in fatherhood and does not imply financial obligations.

## SECTION III - FERTILITY

Now, we are going to talk about your fertility history. Some of the questions may not apply to you. In these cases, just say so

| 303. How old were you when you had your first sexual intercourse? | $\square$ YEARS <br> 00. NEVER HAD INTERCOURSE $\longrightarrow$ SECTION IV <br> 77. FIRST TIME WHEN STARTED LIVING WITH WIFE/PARTNER <br> 88. DOES NOT REMEMBER <br> 99. REFUSED |
| :---: | :---: |
| 304. To the best of your knowledge, is anyone, including your wife pregnant for you now? | 1. YES <br> 2. NO $\longrightarrow$ Q309 <br> 8. NOT SURE $\longrightarrow$ Q309 |
| 305. How many women are pregnant for you now? | WOMEN |
| 306. Thinking back to the time your partner got pregnant, did you want to her to get pregnant then, did you want the pregnancy later, or did you not want the pregnancy? <br> IF MORE THAN ONE WOMAN IN Q305, ASK ABOUT THE MOST STABLE RELATIONSHIP | 1. WANTED THE PREGNANCY THEN <br> 2. WANTED THE PREGNANCY LATER <br> 3. DID NOT WANT THE PREGNANCY <br> 8. NOT SURE |
| 307. To the best of your knowledge, is this your first pregnancy? | 1. YES $\rightarrow$ SECTION IV <br> 2. NO <br> 8. NOT SURE |
| 309. Have you ever fathered a child? <br> (IF PARTNER CURRENTLY PREGNANT ASK:"Have you made a woman pregnant before?") | 1. YES <br> 2. NO $\longrightarrow$ SECTION IV <br> 8. NOT SURE $\longrightarrow$ SECTION IV |
| 311. How many children have you fathered who live with you now? | CHILDREN |
| 312. How many children have you fathered who do not live with you now? <br> (CHILDREN THE RESPONDENT HAS KNOWLEDGE THAT HE FATHERED) | CHILDREN |
| 313. Have you ever fathered a child born alive who later died, including those who may have died in the first hours or days after birth? | 3. YES <br> 4. $\mathrm{NO} \longrightarrow$ Q315 |
| 314. How many children died? | CHILDREN |
| 315. So altogether you had a total of (ADD NUMBER OF CHILDREN FROM Q311+Q312+Q314) live births? | $\square$ LIVE BIRTHS <br> IF "01" GO TO THE BIRTH TABLE ON THE NEXT PAGE |
| 316M How many "baby mothers" (including wives) have you had? | $\square$ BABY MOTHERS <br> 88. DOES NOT KNOW <br> IF "01" GO TO THE BIRTH TABLE ON THE NEXT PAGE |
| 316N Have you ever had more than one child born in the same year with different mothers? | 1. YES <br> 2. NO |

## HISTORY OF ALL LIVE BIRTHS

Now I would like to talk to you about all live births you and your partner(s) have ever had. Please, make sure you include all births you have fathered regardless of which partner was the mother of the child. Let's start with your most recent child, please give me the following information


VERIFY THAT SUM OF LIVE BIRTHS = Q315, IF NOT, CORRECT HISTORY OF LIVE BIRTH TABLE VERIFY THAT THE LAST ROW IN THE TABLE CORRESPONDS TO THE FIRST LIVE BIRTH ASK: "Was this your first child?"

## SECTION IV - MEN'S HEALTH

Now, I would like to ask you some questions about your health.



## SECTION V - CONTRACEPTIVE KNOWLEDGE AND USE

| Now I am going to ask you some questions about Family Planning; this is about methods that couples use to delay or avoid pregnancy. |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| READ THE NAME OF EACH METHOD AND CIRCLE "1" OR "2" IN Q501, AS APPROPRIATE. <br> THEN, FOR EACH METHOD WITH CODE "1" CIRCLED IN Q501, ASK Q502. |  | 501. <br> Have you heard of METHOD)? |  | 502. <br> Have you or your partner ever used (METHOD)? |  |
| METHOD: <br> A. Female sterilization, tubal ligation (tie off) |  | YES | NO | YES | NO |
|  |  | 1 | 2 | 1 | 2 |
| B. Male sterilization, vasectomy (male tie off) |  | 1 | 2 | 1 | 2 |
| C. Implants (e.g. Norplant) |  | 1 | 2 | 1 | 2 |
| D. IUD / Coil |  | 1 | 2 | 1 | 2 |
| E. Injection |  | 1 | 2 | 1 | 2 |
| F. The Pill |  | 1 | 2 | 1 | 2 |
| G. Condom |  | 1 | 2 | 1 | 2 |
| H. Female Condom |  | 1 | 2 | 1 | 2 |
| I. Diaphragm |  | 1 | 2 | 1 | 2 |
| J. Emergency Contraceptive Protection Pill (a.ka. the Morning After Pill) |  | 1 | 2 | 1 | 2 |
| K. Vaginal Foaming Tablets /Jelly /Creams (Spermicides) |  | 1 | 2 | 1 | 2 |
| L. Withdrawal |  | 1 | 2 | 1 | 2 |
| M. Rhythm, Calendar, Billings |  | 1 | 2 | 1 | 2 |
| N. OTHER (SPECIFY) |  | 1 | 2 | 1 | 2 |
| 503F | INTERVIEWER, CHECK QUESTION Q502. HAS RESPONDENT EVER USED AT LEAST ONE METHOD OF CONTRACEPTION (AT LEAST ONE "1" CIRCLED IN Q502)? | 1. EVER USED METHODS (ONE "1" IN Q502A—N) $\longrightarrow$ Q506 <br> 2. NEVER USED A CONTRACEPTIVE METHOD |  |  |  |
| 504. | Have you or any of your partners ever used any method to prevent pregnancy? | 1. YES (ASK WHAT METHOD; GO BACK AND CORRECT Q502\&Q503) |  |  |  |
| 505F | INTERVIEWER, CHECK QUESTION Q303 ON PAGE 4. HAS RESPONDENT EVER HAD SEXUAL INTERCOURSE? | 1. EVER HAD SEXUAL INTERCOURSE $\qquad$ Q552 <br> 2. NEVER HAD SEX $\longrightarrow$ SECTION VII |  |  |  |
| 506. | How old were you when you first used contraception? |  | YEARS 88 | DOES NOT | EMBER |
| 507. | How many living children did you have when you first used contraception? |  |   <br>  00 <br> CHILDREN  <br> 88  | NO LIVING DOES NOT | DREN EMBER |
| 508. | Are you and your partner currently (last 30 days) using a method of contraception or doing anything to prevent pregnancy? | 1. YES <br> 2. NO <br> 8. NOT S |  |  |  |


| 509. Which method? | 1. FEMALE STERILIZATION, TUBAL LIGATION <br> 2. MALE STERILIZATION, VASECTOMY <br> 3. IMPLANT (NORPLANT) <br> 4. IUD / COIL <br> 5. INJECTION <br> 6. PILL <br> 7. CONDOM <br> 8. DIAPHRAGM <br> 9. EMERGENCY CONTRACEPTIVE PROTECTION (ECP) <br> 10. SPERMICIDES <br> 11. WITHDRAWAL <br> 12. RHYTHM, CALENDAR, BILLINGS <br> 20. OTHER (SPECIFY): |
| :---: | :---: |
| 510. Are you and your partner also using a second method at the same time for either sexually transmitted disease prevention or contraception? | 1. YES <br> 2. NO $\longrightarrow$ Q529 <br> 8. NOT SURE $\rightarrow$ Q529 |
| 511. Which method? | 1. FEMALE STERILIZATION, TUBAL LIGATION <br> 2. MALE STERILIZATION, VASECTOMY <br> 3. IMPLANT (NORPLANT) <br> 4. IUD / COIL <br> 5. INJECTION <br> 6. PILL <br> 7. CONDOM <br> 8. DIAPHRAGM <br> 9. EMERGENCY CONTRACEPTIVE PROTECTION (ECP) <br> 10. SPERMICIDES <br> 11. WITHDRAWAL <br> 12. RHYTHM, CALENDAR, BILLINGS <br> 20. OTHER (SPECIFY): $\qquad$ |
| 529. Where do you (or your partner) obtain the contraceptive method you are currently using as a couple? <br> (IF MULTIPLE PLACES RECORD THE MAIN SOURCE) | 1. GOVERNMENT HOSPITAL <br> 2. GOVERNMENT HEALTH CLINIC / CENTRE <br> 3. PRIVATE HOSPITAL <br> 4. PRIVATE CLINIC <br> 5. PRIVATE DOCTOR <br> 6. PHARMACY <br> 7. OUTREACH WORKER <br> 8. FACTORY / WORKPLACE <br> 9. SUPERMARKET/SHOP/BAR <br> 10. TRADITIONAL MET. (WITHDRAWAL/ RHYTHM/BILLING) $\longrightarrow$ Q538 <br> 20. OTHER (SPECIFY) $\longrightarrow$ Q538 <br> 88. DOES NOT KNOW/ DOES NOT REMEMBER $\rightarrow$ Q538 |
| 530. Who gets the supplies? You, your partner, or both? | 1. HIMSELF <br> 2. HIS PARTNER <br> 3. BOTH <br> 8. DOES NOT REMEMBER |
| 531. Can you get family planning services there at any time or only at special times during the day or on certain days? | 1. CAN GET FAMILY PLANNING SERVICES AT ANY TIME $\longrightarrow$ Q535 <br> 2. CAN ONLY GET FAMILY PLANNING SERVICES AT CERTAIN TIMES/DAYS <br> 8. DOES NOT KNOW/NOT SURE |
| 532. Are the special times or days convenient for you? | 1. YES $\longrightarrow$ Q535 <br> 2. NO <br> 8. NOT SURE |
| 533. What time of day is convenient for you to get family planning services? (READ A-E). |  YES NO <br> A. Early Morning (Until 10.00AM) 1 2 <br> B. Late morning (10.00AM-Noon) 1 2 <br> C. Early Afternoon (12.00PM-3PM) 1 2 <br> D. Late Afternoon (3.00PM-6.00PM) 1 2 <br> E. Evenings (6.00PM or Later) 1 2 <br> F. DOES NOT KNOW/NOT SURE 1 2 |

534. Which day, or days of the week are convenient for you? CIRCLE ALL MENTIONED

|  |  | MENTIONED | NOT MENTIONED |
| :--- | :--- | :---: | :---: |
| A. | MONDAY | 1 | 2 |
| B. | TUESDAY | 1 | 2 |
| C. WEDNESDAY | 1 | 2 |  |
| D. | THURSDAY | 1 | 2 |
| E. | FRIDAY | 1 | 2 |
| F. | SATURDAY | 1 | 2 |
| G. SUNDAY | 1 | 2 |  |

535. Do you think the waiting time at the health centre/hospital is too long or not too long?
536. TOO LONG
537. NOT TOO LONG
538. DOES NOT KNOW/NOT SURE
539. How long does it take you or your partner to get to the place where you get the contraceptive supplies?
540. LESS THAN 15 MIN
541. 15-29 MINUTES
542. $30-44$ MINUTES
543. 45-59 MINUTES
544. 1 HOUR OR MORE
545. SUPPLIES OFFERED AT HOME OR WORK PLACE
546. OTHER
547. DOES NOT KNOW NOT SURE
548. Do you or your partner pay for the contraceptive method you now use?
549. YES
550. NO
551. NOT SURE
552. YES
553. NO $\longrightarrow$ Q551F
554. NOT SURE $\rightarrow$ Q551F
555. FEMALE STERILIZATION, TUBAL LIGATION
556. MALE STERILIZATION, VASECTOMY
557. IMPLANT (NORPLANT)
558. IUD / COIL
559. INJECTION
560. PILL
561. CONDOM
562. DIAPHRAGM
563. EMERGENCY CONTRACEPTIVE PROTECTION (ECP)
564. SPERMICIDES
565. WITHDRAWAL
566. RHYTHM, CALENDAR, BILLINGS
567. OTHER (SPECIFY):
568. YES
569. NO $\longrightarrow$ Q543
570. NOT SURE $\rightarrow$ Q543
571. Where can you obtain this preferred method?
(OR INFORMATION ABOUT A NATURAL METHOD)
572. GOVERNMENT HOSPITAL
573. GOVERNMENT HEALTH CLINIC / CENTRE
574. PRIVATE HOSPITAL
575. PRIVATE CLINIC
576. PRIVATE DOCTOR
577. PHARMACY
578. OUTREACH WORKER
579. FACTORY / WORKPLACE
580. SUPERMARKET/SHOP/BAR
581. OTHER (SPECIFY) $\qquad$
582. DOES NOT KNOW/ DOES NOT REMEMBER

| $542 .$ | How much time would you or your partner have to travel to obtain the supplies or information about the method? | 1. LESS THAN 15 MIN <br> 2. 15-29 MINUTES <br> 3. $30-44$ MINUTES <br> 4. $45-59$ MINUTES <br> 5. 1 HOUR OR MORE <br> 6. SUPPLIES OFFERED AT HOME OR WORK PLACE <br> 7. OTHER $\qquad$ <br> 8. DOES NOT KNOW NOT SURE |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $543 .$ | What is the most important reason why you do not use the preferred method? | 1. DOCTOR WILL NOT PRESCRIBE IT <br> 2. COST <br> 3. NOT AVAILABLE/DIFFICULT ACCES/UNRELIABLE SOURCE <br> 4. SOURCE TOO FAR AWAY <br> 5. DO NOT KNOW HOW/WHERE TO OBTAIN IT <br> 6. WIFE/PARTNER OBJECTS TO IT <br> 7. RELIGIOUS REASONS <br> 8. FEAR OF SIDE EFFECTS <br> 9. STILL THINKING ABOUT IT/HAS NOT MADE UP HER MIND <br> 10. DIFFICULT TO USE <br> 11. FEAR OF SURGERY (IUD, TUBAL LIGATION, NORPLANT) <br> 20. OTHER $\qquad$ <br> 88. DON'T KNOW |
| 551F | INTERVIEWER, VERIFY Q509 AND CIRCLE WHAT METHOD IS THE RESPONDENT CURRENTLY USING | 1. CURRENTLY USING TUBAL LIGATION OR VASECTOMY (CODE 1 or 2 ) $\longrightarrow$ SECTION VI <br> 2. CURRENTLY USING ANOTHER METHOD (3—20) $\longrightarrow$ Q557 <br> 3. NOT CURRENTLY USING A CONTRACEPTIVE METHOD |
| 551M | What was the last contraceptive method you or your partner used? | 1. FEMALE STERILIZATION, TUBAL LIGATION <br> 2. MALE STERILIZATION, VASECTOMY <br> 3. IMPLANT (NORPLANT) <br> 4. INJECTION <br> 5. PILL <br> 6. EMERGENCY CONTRACEPTIVE PROTECTION (ECP) <br> 7. IUD / COIL <br> 8. CONDOM <br> 9. SPERMICIDES <br> 10. DIAPHRAGM <br> 11. WITHDRAWAL <br> 12. RHYTHM, CALENDAR, BILLINGS <br> 20. OTHER (SPECIFY): $\qquad$ |
| $551 \mathrm{~N}$ | Where did you or your partner get the method? <br> (IF MULTIPLE PLACES RECORD THE MAIN SOURCE) | 1. GOVERNMENT HOSPITAL <br> 2. GOVERNMENT HEALTH CLINIC / CENTRE <br> 3. PRIVATE HOSPITAL <br> 4. PRIVATE CLINIC <br> 5. PRIVATE DOCTOR <br> 6. PHARMACY <br> 7. OUTREACH WORKER <br> 8. FACTORY / WORKPLACE <br> 9. SUPERMARKET/SHOP/BAR <br> 10. TRADITIONAL MET. (WITHDRAWAL/ RHYTHM/ BILLING) <br> 20. OTHER (SPECIFY) $\qquad$ <br> 88. DOES NOT KNOW/DOES NOT REMEMBER |
| 552. | Do you think your current partner is physically able to get pregnant at the present time? | 1. YES $\rightarrow$ Q554 <br> 2. CURRENTLY PREGNANT $\longrightarrow$ Q555 <br> 3. CURRENTLY HE DOES NOT HAVE A PARTNER $\longrightarrow \mathbf{Q 5 5 5}$ <br> 4. NO <br> 8. NOT SURE $\longrightarrow$ Q554 |



## SECTION VI - SEXUAL ACTIVITY AND EARLY CHILDBEARING






SECTION VII - FAMILY LIFE AND SEX EDUCATION

| 701. | For young people your age who have sexual intercourse, what do you think is the most appropriate method to use to avoid pregnancy? |  | TUBAL LIGATION <br> VASECTOMY <br> IMPLANT <br> INJECTION <br> PILL <br> MORNING AFTER PILL (ECP) <br> IUD/COIL <br> CONDOM | $\begin{gathered} 9 . \\ 10 \\ 11 . \\ 12 . \\ 13 . \\ 14 . \\ 20 . \\ 88 . \\ 99 . \end{gathered}$ |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 702. | Could you or your partner afford to use this method? |  |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { YES } \\ & \text { NO } \\ & \text { DOESN'T KNOW } \end{aligned}$ |
| 705. | Have you ever received any information from your parents or guardians about pregnancy and how it occurs? |  |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { YES } \\ & \text { NO } \rightarrow \text { Q707 } \rightarrow \text { Q707 } \\ & \text { DOESN'T KNOW } \end{aligned}$ |
| 706. | How difficult was it to discuss the subject of pregnancy with your parents or guardians? (READ OPTIONS 1-3) |  |  | 1. 2. 3. 8. | Easy <br> Somewhat difficult <br> Extremely difficult <br> DOES NOT KNOW / NOT SURE |
| 707. | As far as you know, when is most likely for a woman to become pregnant? Is this time just before her period begins, during her period, right after her period has ended, or half way between two periods? |  |  | 1. 2. 3. 4. 8. | Just before her period starts During her period Right after period ends Halfway between two periods DOES NOT KNOW |
| 708. | FOR THOSE WHO HAVE NEVER HAD SEX (Q303 = " 00 "), ASK: <br> Have you ever received any information from your parents or guardians about condoms? <br> IN ALL OTHER CASES, ASK: <br> Before you started having sex, did you ever receive any information from your parents or guardians about condoms? |  |  |  | YES <br> $\mathrm{NO} \longrightarrow$ Q710 <br> DOESN'T KNOW $\longrightarrow$ Q710 |
| 709. | How difficult was it to discuss the subject of condoms with your parents or guardians? (READ OPTIONS 1-3) |  |  | 2. 3. 8. | Easy <br> Somewhat difficult <br> Extremely difficult <br> DOES NOT KNOW / NOT SURE |
| 710. | Have you ever received any information from your parents or guardians about sexually transmitted diseases? |  |  | 1. | YES <br> NO <br> DOES NOT KNOW |
| 711. | Have you ever had a class or course about family life or sex education in school? |  |  | 2. | $\begin{aligned} & \text { YES } \\ & \text { NO } \longrightarrow \text { Q719 } \\ & \text { DOES NOT KNOW } \longrightarrow \text { Q719 } \end{aligned}$ |
|  | RESPONSE MUST BE RECORDED IN WEEKS; IF LESS THAN 1 WEEK, WRITE IN ‘ 00 ’ <br> IF THE CLASS WAS TAUGHT FOR A WHOLE SCHOOL YEAR, WRITE IN "36" WEEKS |  |  |  | WEEKS <br> SEVERAL WEEKS, NOT SURE HOW MANY MORE THAN 1 YEAR DOES NOT REMEMBER AT ALL |
| 713. | On the average, how many hours per week was the class or course taught? <br> IF LESS THAN ONE HOUR, WRITE IN "00" |  |  |  | $\square$ HOURS <br> MANY HOURS, DON'T REMEMBER NUMBER OES NOT REMEMBER AT ALL |
| 714. | What grade of schooling were you in when you had this first class or course? <br> (IF FIRST COURSE RECEIVED WHILE ATTENDING POST-SECONDARY EDUCATION WRITE IN "77") |  |  |  | $\square$ GRADE <br> ERTIARY LEVEL OF EDUCATION OES NOT REMEMBER |
| 715. | How old were you at that time? |  |  |  | $\square$ YEARS <br> DOES NOT REMEMBER |


| 716. | Who was the main person who taught this first class or course? | 1. SCHOOL TEACHER <br> 2. NURSE <br> 3. COUNSELLOR OR PSYCHOLOGIST <br> 8. OTHER (SPECIFY): |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 717. | Did this first sex education class or course in school include information about...? <br> (READ A-G) | A. The woman's menstrual cycle or period <br> B. Pregnancy and how it occurs <br> C. Condoms <br> D. Other modern methods such as the pill, IUD or injections <br> E. HIV/AIDS <br> F. Other Sexually Transmitted Diseases <br> G. Abstinence | $\begin{gathered} \hline \text { YES } \\ \hline 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline \frac{\mathrm{NO}}{2} \\ & 2 \\ & 2 \\ & 2 \\ & 2 \\ & 2 \\ & 2 \end{aligned}$ | DR <br> 8 <br> 8 <br> 8 <br> 8 <br>  <br> 8 <br> 8 <br> 8 |
| 718. | Did the class or course include information on the following services available for adolescents? <br> (READ A-C) | A. Counselling <br> B. Clinic services <br> C. Distribution of contraceptives | YES <br> 1 <br> 1 <br> 1 | $\begin{aligned} & \hline \frac{\mathrm{NO}}{2} \\ & 2 \\ & 2 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | DK <br> 8 <br> 8 <br> 8 |
| 719. | At what age do you think family life or sex education should begin in schools? | $\square$ YEARS <br> 77. IT SHOULD NOT BE TAUGHT IN SCHOOLS <br> 88. DOESN'T KNOW |  |  |  |
| 720. | Have you ever had a formal class or course about family life or sex education anywhere outside of the school or home? | 1. YES <br> 2. $\mathrm{NO} \longrightarrow$ Q727 |  |  |  |
| 721. | Where was this first class or course held? | 1. COMMUNITY CENTER <br> 2. CLINIC <br> 3. CLUB <br> 4. CHURCH <br> 5. YOUTH CENTRE <br> 6. BAR <br> 7. WORK PLACE <br> 8. HEART <br> 20. OTHER (SPECIFY): <br> 88. DOESN'T REMEMBER |  |  |  |
| 722. | How old were you when you had this first class or course on family life or sex education? | YEARS 88. DOES NOT REMEMBER |  |  |  |
| 723. | Who was the main person who taught this course? | 1. SCHOOL TEACHER <br> 2. PHYSICIAN <br> 3. NURSE <br> 4. COUNSELLOR OR PSYCHOLOGIST <br> 5. LIAISON OFFICER <br> 6. OUTREACH WORKER / VOLUNTEER <br> 7. OTHER SOCIAL WORKER <br> 8. PEERS / FRIENDS <br> 9. PARENT / GUARDIAN <br> 20. OTHER (SPECIFY): <br> 88. DOESN'T REMEMBER |  |  |  |
| 724. | Did this first class or course outside of the school or home include information about... ? <br> (READ A-G) |  | YES | NO | DK |
|  |  | A. The woman's menstrual cycle or period <br> B. Pregnancy and how it occurs <br> C. Condoms <br> D. Other modern methods such as the pill, IUD or injection <br> E. HIV/AIDS <br> F. Other Sexually Transmitted Diseases <br> F. Abstinence | $\begin{aligned} & 1 \\ & 1 \\ & 1 \\ & 1 \\ & 1 \\ & 1 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 2 \\ & 2 \\ & 2 \\ & 2 \\ & 2 \\ & 2 \end{aligned}$ | 8 <br> 8 <br> 8 <br> 8 <br> 8 <br> 8 <br> 8 |



| 733. | Have you ever seen or heard messages from the JASTYLE Radio Series Drama "Outta Road," the JASTYLE "Good Parenting" activities or any other JASTYLE activities? | 1. YES <br> 2. $\mathrm{NO} \rightarrow$ Q735 <br> 8. NOR SURE $\longrightarrow$ Q735 |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 734. | Did any of these messages include information on the following topics...? (READ A-F) | A. HIV/AIDS <br> B. Drug Use <br> C. Gender Violence <br> D. Teen Pregnancy <br> E. Sexual Abuse <br> F. Preventina Preanancv and STDs | $\begin{gathered} \text { YES } \\ \hline 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | NO <br> 2 <br> 2 <br> 2 <br> 2 <br> 2 <br> 2 | $\begin{gathered} \hline \text { DK } \\ \hline 8 \\ 8 \\ 8 \\ 8 \\ 8 \\ 8 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ |
| 735. | Have you ever belong to any youth clubs or participate in any extra-curricular activities targeted toward adolescents in your community? | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 1. YES } \\ & \text { 2. NO } \rightarrow \text { Q737 } \\ & \text { 8. DON'T REMEMBER } \\ & \text { 9. REFUSED } \end{aligned} \underset{\text { Q737 }}{\longrightarrow} \text { Q737 }$ |  |  |  |
| 736. | What were these activities? <br> PROBE "Any other activity?" <br> CIRCLE "1" FOR ALL MENTIONED <br> CIRCLE "2" FOR ALL NOT MENTIONED | A. AFTER-SCHOOL SPORTING ACTIVITIES <br> B. DEBATING <br> C. CHURCH ACTIVITIES <br> D. EDUCATIONAL (EXTRA LESSONS, HOME-WORK PROGRAMMES, ETC) <br> E. 4 H CLUBS <br> F. YOUTH ADVOCACY NETWORK <br> G. MARCHING BAND <br> H. DRAMA OR DANCE GROUPS <br> I. OTHER (SPECIFY): $\qquad$ | MENTIONE <br> 1 <br> 1 <br> 1 <br> 1 <br> 1 <br> 1 <br> 1 <br> 1 <br> 1 | NOT N | IONED |
| 737. | Where do you usually go for medical/health care? | 1. NOWHERE <br> 2. PUBLIC CLINIC (HEALTH CENTRE/ POST, DISP <br> 3. HOSPITAL <br> 4. CIVIC OR CHURCH ORGANIZATION <br> 5. PRIVATE DOCTOR <br> 6. PHARMACIST <br> 7. TRADITIONAL HEALER, HERBALIST, BUSH DO <br> 8. DON'T KNOW <br> 9. NO RESPONSE | ISPENSAR <br> DOCTOR, | POLY <br> EAH |  |
| 738. | Have you ever received counseling on the followina health tonics: <br> (READ A-C) | A. Familv Plannina <br> B. HIV/AIDS <br> c. Other STDs | $\begin{gathered} \hline \text { YES } \\ \hline 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ |  |  |
| 740F | INTERVIEWER: VERIFY AGE OF RESPONDENT (REFER TO Q102) | 1. 15-19 <br> 2. $\mathbf{2 0} \mathbf{- 2 4} \longrightarrow$ SECTION VIII |  |  |  |
| $741 .$ | Now I am going to read you some statements about social support at home and outside the home. Please tell me whether you agree or disagree with each statement. <br> In your home, there is an adult who ... <br> (READ A-G) | A. Is interested in your school work <br> B. Talks with you about your problems <br> C. Gives you enough attention <br> D. Listens to you when you have something to say <br> E. Expects you to follow the rules <br> F. Alwavs wants vou to do vour best <br> G. Believes that you will be a success |   <br>  AGREE <br>   <br>  1 <br>  1 <br>  1 <br>  1 <br>  1 <br>  1 <br>  1 <br>   | DISAG <br> 2 <br> 2 <br> 2 <br> 2 <br> 2 <br> 2 <br> 2 | DK/NS <br> 8 <br> 8 <br> 8 <br> 8 <br> 8 <br> 8 <br> 8 |
| $742 .$ | Outside the home. there is an adult who... <br> (READ A-G) | A. Really cares about you <br> B. Tells you when you do a good job <br> C. Notices when you're not there <br> D. Listens to you when you have something to say <br> E. Always wants you to do your best <br> F. Notices when you're upset about something <br> G. Believes that you will be a success | AGREE 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 | DISAG 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 | DK/NS 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 |

## SECTION VIII - ATTITUDES TOWARDS CONTRACEPTION AND CHILDBEARING

| 800. | Now I would like to talk about something else. Have you ever tried to obtain a contraceptive method and been refused? | 1. YES <br> 2. $\mathrm{NO} \longrightarrow$ Q804 <br> 8. DOES NOT REMEMBER $\longrightarrow$ Q804 |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 801. | How many times? |  | TIMES |  | 88. DOES NOT R <br> 99. REFUSED | EMEMBER |
| 802. | In what place were you refused a contraceptive method? PROBE: Anyplace else? <br> (CIRCLE ALL RESPONSES MENTIONED) | A. GOVERNMENT HOSPITAL <br> B. GOVT. HEALTH CLINIC/ CENTRE <br> C. PRIVATE HOSPITAL <br> D. PRIVATE CLINIC <br> E. PRIVATE DOCTOR <br> F. PHARMACY <br> G. OUTREACH WORKER <br> H. FACTORY / WORKPLACE <br> I. SUPERMARKET/SHOP/BAR <br> J. OTHER PLACE |  |  | MENTIONED <br> 1 <br> 1 <br> 1 <br> 1 <br> 1 <br> 1 <br> 1 <br> 1 <br> 1 <br> 1 | NOT MENTIONED 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 |
| 803. | What was the gender of the last person who refused to provide a contraceptive method? | 1. MALE <br> 2. FEMALE <br> 8. DOES NOT REMEMBER |  |  |  |  |
| 804. | In the past 12 months, have you heard or seen a message on radio or television giving information about ... <br> (READ A-D) | A. Family Planning <br> B. HIV/AIDS <br> C. Other STDs <br> D. Domestic Violence |  | RADIO <br> ONLY TV <br> ONLY <br>   <br> 1 2 <br> 1 2 <br> 1 2 <br> 1 2 |  | DOES NOT <br> REMEMBER <br> 8 <br> 8 <br> 8 <br> 8 |
| 805. | In your opinion, how would you rank the following contraceptive methods with regard to their effectiveness in preventing pregnancy? If the method is used correctly, would you say (READ METHOD A-C) s very effective, effective, somewhat effective, or not effective? <br> A. Pill <br> B. INJECTION <br> C. CONDOM | Very Effective | $\begin{gathered} \text { Somewhat } \\ \text { Effective } \\ \text { Effective } \end{gathered}$ |  | Not Effective | DOES NOT KNOW |
| 806. | Couples may use condoms to avoid getting sexually transmitted diseases. How effective do you think a properly used condom is for this purpose? | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 8 |
| $807 .$ | In your opinion, how would you rank the following contraceptive methods with regard to their risk of developing health problems? If the method is used correctly, would you say (READ METHOD A-C) is very safe, safe, somewhat safe, or not safe? <br> A. Pill <br> B. INJECTION <br> C. CONDOM | Very safe | SafeSomewhat <br> Safe |  | Not safe | DOES NOT KNOW |
| 808. | If you could choose exactly the number of children to have in your whole life, how many would that be? |  | CHILDR | 77. 88. | FATE, UP TO G NOT SURE |  |
| 809. | In Jamaica, what is the earliest age a woman can legally consent to having sexual intercourse? |  | YEARS | 77. 88. | NO LEGAL LIM NOT SURE |  |
| 810. | As far as you know, what is the punishment for a man if it can be proved that he had sex with a girl less than 16 years of age? | 1. NONE <br> 2. HE WILL BE SENT TO JAIL <br> 7. OTHER <br> 8. DOES NOT KNOW |  |  |  |  |
| 811. | In your opinion, at what age is a woman responsible enough to have her first child? | YEARS |  | 55. IT DEPENDS <br> 66. 1 YEAR AFTER 1st UNION <br> 77. WHEN IN STABLE UNION NOT SURE |  |  |
| 811M | At what age is a man responsible enough to have his first child? |  55. <br>  $5 E A R S$ <br>  66. <br>  77. <br>  88 |  |  | IT DEPENDS 1 YEAR AFTER 1st UNION WHEN IN STABLE UNION NOT SURE |  |
| 812. | How old do you think it is best for a child to be before another child is born? |  | MONTHS | 66. 77. 88. | FATE, UP TO GOD MORE THAN 5 YEARS NOT SURE |  |
| 813. | How old do you think a child should be before the mother stops breastfeeding him / her? | MONTHS |  |  | NO AGE LIMIT, AS LONG AS POSSIBLE <br> NOT SURE |  |

## SECTION IX - GENDER AND VIOLENCE

| 900. | Now I would like to ask a few questions about your family Do you believe that physical punishment is necessary to raise children well, for example spanking, cuffing, or hitting them? |  | 1. YES <br> 2. NO |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 901. | In this household, are the children punished when they do not behave well? |  | 1. YES <br> 2. $\mathrm{NO} \longrightarrow$ Q904 <br> 3. NO CHILDREN (AGE 1-15) IN THE HOUSE | $\longrightarrow \text { Q904 }$ |  |
| 902. | PROBE: Another way? <br> (MARK ALL THE RESPONSES MENTIONED, DO NOT READ LIST) |  | A. SCOLDING THEM VERBALLY <br> B. TAKING AWAY SOMETHING THEY LIKE <br> C. CUFFING OR SPANKING <br> D. HITTING THEM WITH THE HAND OR FIST <br> E. HITTING THEM WITH A BELT, STICK, OR OTHER OJBECT <br> F. LOCKING THEM IN/ISOLATING THEM <br> G. GIVING THEM EXTRA CHORES <br> H. LOCKING THEM OUT OF THE HOUSE <br> I. OTHER | MENTIONED MENT <br> 1 <br> 1 <br> 1 <br> 1 <br> 1 <br> 1 <br> 1 <br> 1 1 | OT IONED 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 |
| 903. | Who is most likely to punish the children? Is it... (READ 1-4) |  | 1. You <br> 2. Your partner <br> 3. Both you and your partner <br> 4. Someone else? |  |  |
| 904. | In this community and elsewhere, people have different ideas about families and what is acceptable behavior for men and women in the home. I am going to read you a list of statements, and I would like you to tell me whether you generally agree or disagree with the statement There are no right or wrong answers (READ A-F) | A. A good wife obeys her husband even if she disagrees <br> B. Family problems should only be discussed with people in the family <br> C. It is important for a man to show his wife/partner who is the boss <br> D. It is a wife's obligation to have sex with her husband even if she doesn't feel like it <br> E. It is all right for a wife to refuse sex with her husband if he sees other women <br> F. If a man mistreats his wife, others outside of the family should intervene |  | AGREE DISAGREE <br> 1 2 <br> 1 2 <br> 1 2 <br> 1 2 <br> 1 2 <br> 1 2 | DK/NS <br> 8 <br> 8 <br> 8 <br> 8 <br> 8 <br> 8 |
| 905. | In your opinion, does a man have a good reason to hit his wife if... (READ A-E): | A. She does not complete her household work to his satisfaction <br> B. She disobeys him <br> C. She refuses to have sexual relations with him <br> D. She asks him whether he has other girlfriends <br> E. He finds out that she has been unfaithful |  | AGREE  <br> 1  <br>  2 <br> 1 2 <br> 1 2 <br> 1 2 <br> 1 2 | DK/NS <br> 8 <br> 8 <br> 8 <br> 8 <br> 8 |
| 906. | Now I have some questions about your childhood. Thinking about your childhood before you turned age 15, did you ever see or hear your father or stepfather slap, kick, shove, or hit your mother or stepmother? | 1. YES <br> 2. NO <br> 3. DID NOT GROW UP WITH BOTH PARENTS <br> 8. DOES NOT REMEMBER |  |  |  |
| 907. | Before you turned 15 years of age, were you ever slapped, kicked, shoved, or hit by anyone, including adult family member? | 1. YES,BY MOTHER OR FATHER (STEP-MOTHER/STEP-FATHER) <br> 2. YES, BY OTHER ADULT FAMILY MEMBER <br> 3. NO <br> 8. DOES NOT REMEMBER |  |  |  |
| 908. | And after you turned age 15 until now, were you ever slapped, kicked, shoved, or hit by anyone other than a current or former partner? This may include a parent, a relative, someone at school, other people that you know, or even a stranger? | 1. YES <br> 2. $\mathrm{NO} \longrightarrow$ Q910F <br> 8. DOES NOT REMEMBER $\longrightarrow$ Q910F |  |  |  |

909. Who was it that got physical with you after you turned age 15?
(CIRCLE ALL RESPONSES MENTIONED)

## PROBE:

How about a relative?
How about someone at school or work?
How about a friend or neighbour?
How about a stranger or anyone else?

|  | MENTIONED | NOT MENTIONED |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| A. MOTHER OR FATHER | 1 | 2 |
| B. STEPFATHER/STEPMOTHER | 1 | 2 |
| C. BROTHER OR SISTER | 1 | 2 |
| D. OTHER FAMILY MEMBER | 1 | 2 |
| E. TEACHER | 1 | 2 |
| F. COLLEGUE AT SCHOOL | 1 | 2 |
| G. POLICE | 1 | 2 |
| H. GIRLFRIEND OR DATE | 1 | 2 |
| I. STRANGER | 1 | 2 |
| J. OTHER | 1 | 2 |

910F INTERVIEWER: VERIFY MARITAL HISTORY Q207 ON PAGE 3

1. EVER MARRIED, IN UNION OR IN VISITING PARTNERSHIP (Q208 > 0)
2. NEVER MARRIED/IN UNION/IN VISITING PARTHERSHIP (Q207=2) $\rightarrow$ Q926M

Now I would like to ask you questions about some other important aspects of family life. I know that some of these questions are very personal. However, your answers are crucial for helping to understand social norms in Jamaica. Let me assure you that your answers are completely confidential and will not be told to anyone.

| 911. | When two people marry or live together, they |  | YES | NO | REF |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | share both good and bad moments. | A. Try to keep her from seeing her friends or her family | 1 | 2 | 9 |
|  | In your relationship with your current (last), | B. Insist on knowing where she is at all times | 1 | 2 | 9 |
|  | wife/partner would you say it is generally true that you .... | C. Ignore her or treat her indifferently | 1 | 2 | 9 |
|  | (READ A-F) | D. Get angry if she speak with another man | 1 | 2 | 9 |
|  |  | E. Are often suspicious that she is unfaithful | 1 | 2 | 9 |
|  |  | F. Expect her to ask your permission for seeking health care | 1 | 2 | 9 |
| 912. | During the past 12 months of your relationship, how frequently were you drunk? Would you say... (READ 1-5) | 1. Every day or almost every day <br> 2. Once or twice a week <br> 3. 1-3 times a month <br> 4. Occasionally <br> 5. Never <br> 8. DOES NOT REMEMBER |  |  |  |
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The next set of questions is about violence and physical abuse that may have happened between you and a partner or ex-partner. When we say a partner we mean a wife, ex-wife, as well as any other woman you have been living with as husband and wife.
913. Please tell me if you have ever (READ A-I):
A. Insulted or made a partner feel bad about herself?

914. Has this happened in the past 12 months?

1. YES
2. NO
3. DOESN'T REMEMBER
4. YES
5. NO
6. DOESN'T REMEMBER
7. YES
8. NO
9. DOESN'T REMEMBER
10. YES
11. NO
12. DOESN'T REMEMBER
13. YES
14. NO
15. DOESN'T REMEMBER
16. YES
17. NO
18. DOESN'T REMEMBER
19. YES
20. NO
21. DOESN'T REMEMBER
22. YES
23. NO
24. DOESN'T REMEMBER
25. YES
26. NO
27. DOESN'T REMEMBER


|  |  |  | AGREE | DISAGREE | DK/NS |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 926N | Now I am going to read you some statements about family life and relationships. | B. If a man has a lot of girlfriends he is seen as more of a man than if he sticks with only one woman | 1 | 2 | 8 |
|  |  | C. A man can tell when a child is really his | 1 | 2 | 8 |
|  | Please tell me whether you agree or disagree with each statement. | D. I would never marry a woman who could not have children | 1 | 2 | 8 |
|  | (READ A-J) | E. A man should not have to tell his partner everywhere that he is going | 1 | 2 | 8 |
|  |  | F. Even if a man is living with his partner, it is okay for him to have outside children if he looks after them | 1 | 2 | 8 |
|  |  | G. Even if a man helps the woman with the housework, he should not wash the clothes for the family | 1 | 2 | 8 |
|  |  | H. A man's nature is stronger than a woman's, so it is okay for him to have more than one woman | 1 | 2 | 8 |
|  |  | I. I would not feel like a man if I do not have children | 1 | 2 | 8 |
|  |  | J . Even if the housekeeping money is short, a man is allowed to buy a drink for his friends | 1 | 2 | 8 |
|  |  | K. If my partner could not have children, I would seek to get children elsewhere | 1 | 2 | 8 |

## SECTION X - HIV/AIDS AND OTHER STDs

## Now I will ask you some questions about sexually transmitted diseases (STDs); that is, illnesses which are acquired through

 sex with another person.1001. What diseases do you know or have you heard of that are
transmitted through sexual relations?

Do you know or have you heard of... (READ A-H)

| Do you know or have you heard of... (READ A-H) |  |  | Have you ever had. <br> (READ A-H) |  | Did you seek help to cure yourself of this disease? |  | Whom did you seek help from to cure yourself of this disease? | Was your partner also treated to cure this disease? |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | YES | NO | YES | NO | YES | NO | $\begin{gathered} \text { (FILL IN } \\ \text { THE CODE BELOW) } \end{gathered}$ | YES | NO | DK |
| A. Syphilis (chancre) <br> A PAINLESS SORE OR ULCER IN THE VAGINA, PENIS, ANUS OR MOUTH; LATER, IT CAUSES A RASH IN THE SKIN OF THE PALMS OF THE HANDS AND SOLES OF THE FEET. IT CAN ALSO AFFECT THE BRAIN OR THE HEART IN ADVANCED STAGES. | 1 | 2 $\downarrow$ | 1 | $\begin{aligned} & 2 \\ & \downarrow \end{aligned}$ | 1 | $\begin{aligned} & 2 \\ & \downarrow \end{aligned}$ | -_- | 1 | 2 | 8 |
| B. Chancroid (soft chancre) APPEARS WITH PAINFUL BUMPS IN THE GENITALS WHICH FILL WITH PUS, AND WHEN THEY DRAIN, THEY LEAVE PAINFUL SORES. | 1 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 2 | - - | 1 | 2 | 8 |
| C. Gonorrhea (a.k.a. clap) PRODUCES A DISCHARGE THAT IS EITHER WHITE OR YELLOW OR GREEN THAT CAN BE VAGINAL, URETHRAL OR ANAL. | 1 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 2 | - - | 1 | 2 | 8 |
| D. Genital herpes ERUPT AS SMALL BLISTERS OR PAINFUL SORES ON THE GENITALS. | 1 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 2 | - - | 1 | 2 | 8 |
| E. Papilloma/Genital warts MEATY GROWTHS THAT LOOK LIKE A ROOSTER'S CREST OR LIKE CAULIFLOWER, OF REDDISH, ASHEN OR PURPLISH COLOR. | 1 | $\frac{1}{2}$ | 1 | $\frac{1}{2}$ | 1 | $\frac{1}{2}$ | - | 1 | 2 | 8 |
| F. Trichomoniasis IS A YELLOW-GREENISH VAGINAL DISCHARGE WHICH IS FROTHY AND HAS BAD ODOR; IT CAN CAUSE ITCHING AND PAIN DURING SEX. | 1 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 2 | - | 1 | 2 | 8 |
| G. Chlamydia PRODUCES A DISCHARGE WHICH CAN BE VAGINAL, URETHRAL OR ANAL. | 1 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 1 |  | - | 1 | 2 | 8 |
| H. HIV/AIDS <br> HIV IS THE VIRUS THAT WEAKENS THE IMMUNE SYSTEM AND CAN CAUSE AIDS. | 1 | 2 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| CODES FOR QUESTION 1004: | 1. GOVERNMENT HOSPITAL <br> 2. GOVERNMENT HEALTH CLINIC / CENTRE <br> 3. PRIVATE HOSPITAL <br> 4. PRIVATE CLINIC <br> 5. PRIVATE DOCTOR <br> 6. PHARMACY <br> 7. OUTREACH WORKER |  |  |  |  |  | 8. FACTORY / WORKPLACE <br> 9. HEALER <br> 10. FRIEND/RELATIVE <br> 11. SELF-MEDICATED <br> 20. OTHER $\qquad$ <br> 88. DOES NOT REMEMBER <br> 99. REFUSED |  |  |  |
| 1006. If a man has a sexually transmitted disease, what symptoms might he have? |  |  |  |  |  |  | MENTIONED | NOT MENTIONED |  |  |
| (DO NOT READ OUT THE SYMPTOMS) | K. ABDOMINAL PAIN |  |  |  |  |  |  | 2 |  |  |
|  | L. DISCHARGE FROM PENIS |  |  |  |  |  | 1 |  |  |  |
|  | M. BURNING PAIN ON URINATION |  |  |  |  |  | 1 | 2 |  |  |
| CIRCLE "1" FOR ALL MENTIONED CIRCLE "2" FOR ALL NOT MENTIONED | N. REDNESS/INFLAMMATION IN GENITAL AREA |  |  |  |  |  | 1 | 2 |  |  |
|  | O. SWELLING IN GENITAL AREA |  |  |  |  |  | 1 | 2 |  |  |
|  | P. GENITAL SORES/ULCERS OR WARTS |  |  |  |  |  | 1 | 2 |  |  |
|  | Q. GENITAL ITCHING |  |  |  |  |  | 1 | 2 |  |  |
|  | R. WEIGHT LOSS |  |  |  |  |  | 1 | 2 |  |  |
|  | S. DIFFICULTY GETTING SOMEONE PREGNANT/HAVING A CHILD |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |


| $1007 .$ | In general, what has been your most important source of information about STDs, including AIDS? (Where or from whom have you learned the most about STDs) | 1. MOTHER <br> 2. FATHER <br> 3. OTHER RELATIVE <br> 4. GIRLFRIEND <br> 5. WIFE, PARTNER <br> 6. SOMÉBODY WHO HAD STDS <br> 7. FRIENDS/COLLEAGUES/ PEERS <br> 8. OB/GYN DOCTOR <br> 9. DERMATOLOGIST <br> 10. FAMILY DOCTOR, GP <br> 11. NURSE, MIDWIFE, <br> 12. TEACHER <br> 13. PHARMACIST <br> 14. SPECIALTY BOOKS <br> 15. PRINT MEDIA <br> 16. RADIO <br> 18. TV <br> 20. OTHER <br> 77. NEVER HEARD OF ANY STDs <br> (ALL Q1001_A - Q1001_H = 2) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1008. | Have you heard about a test for HIV/AIDS? | 1. YES <br> 2. $\mathrm{NO} \longrightarrow$ Q1023 |
| 1009. | Do you know of a place where people can go to get tested for HIV? | 1. YES <br> 2. NO |
| 1016. | I don't want to know the results, but have you ever had an HIV test? | 1. YES <br> 2. $\mathrm{NO} \longrightarrow$ Q1022 <br> 8. DOES NOT REMEMBER $\longrightarrow$ Q1022 |
| 1017. | During the past 12 months, have you had an HIV test? | 1. YES <br> 2. NO <br> 8. DOES NOT REMEMBER |
| 1018. | Where did you take the last test? |  |
| 1019. | Did you yourself ask for the test, was it offered to you and you accepted, or was it required? | 1. ASKED FOR TEST <br> 3. REQUIRED <br> 2. OFFERED \& ACCEPTED <br> 8. DOES NOT REMEMBER |
| 1020. | I don't want to know the results, but did you get the results of your test? | 1. YES <br> 2. NO <br> 3. NOT YET, BUT PLANNING TO/ WAITING FOR THE RESULT |
| 1021. | Before getting the results, did someone talk with you about how HIV/AIDS is transmitted and how to prevent It? | $\left.\begin{array}{ll}\text { 1. } & \text { YES } \\ \text { 2. } & \text { NO }\end{array}\right\} \rightarrow$ Q1025F |
| 1022. | What is the reason you have never taken the test for HIV/AIDS? | 1. NEVER FELT IT NECESSARY <br> 2. AFRAID OF LACK OF CONFIDENTIALITY <br> 3. PARTNER WAS AGAINST IT <br> 4. RELATIVES WERE AGAINST IT <br> 5. FEAR OF THE RESULTS <br> 6. NEVER HAD TIME <br> 7. RELIGIOUS REASONS <br> 8. TOLD HEALTH STAFF SCOLDED PERSONS BEING TESTED <br> 9. TOLD THAT RESULT WAS NOT GIVEN <br> 10. LACK OF MONEY/TOO EXPENSIVE <br> 11. NEVER TOLD TO TAKE TEST <br> 20. OTHER (SPECIFY) <br> 88. DOES NOT KNOW |
| 1023. | If you were offered the test for HIV/AIDS at a low price or even free, would you be willing to take it? | 1. YES, IF IT WERE AT A LOW PRICE $\longrightarrow$ Q1025F <br> 2. YES, IF IT WERE FREE $\longrightarrow$ Q1025F <br> 3. NO <br> 9. NOT SURE |
| 1024. | Why would you not take it? | 1. DOES NOT NEED IT <br> 2. AFRRAID OF LACK OF CONFIDENTIALITY <br> 3. PARTNER AGAINST IT <br> 4. RELATIVES AGAINST IT <br> 5. FEAR OF THE RESULTS <br> 6. NO TIME <br> 7. RELIGIOUS REASONS <br> 8. TOLD HEALTH STAFF SCOLDED PERSONS BEING TESTED <br> 9. TOLD THAT RESULT WAS NOT GIVEN <br> 20. OTHER (SPECIFY) $\qquad$ <br> 88. DOES NOT KNOW |





[^0]:    Members of the 2008 RHS Final Report editing and production team are acknowledged in bold.

[^1]:    *Excludes 3 women with missing information.

[^2]:    *Excludes 14 men with missing information.

[^3]:    *Excludes 3 women with missing information.

[^4]:    *Excludes 14 men with missing information.

[^5]:    * Calculated for 2 years before the survey.

[^6]:    * Excludes 3 women with missing information on education.
    $\dagger$ Excludes 18 women with missing information on church attendance.

[^7]:    * Excludes 3 women who never had a menstrual period and 85 women who did not remember the age at first period.
    $\dagger$ Excludes 3 women with missing information on education.

[^8]:    NA= Not Applicable

    * Excludes 530 women who did not remember their age at sexual debut.
    $\dagger$ Omitted because less than $50 \%$ of women in this age group had the event by the age at the beginning of the interval.
    $\ddagger$ Excludes 266 women who did not remember their age at first union.
    ๆf Excludes 13 women who did not remember their age at first birth.

[^9]:    NA= Not Applicable

    * Less than 25 cases.
    $\dagger$ Excludes 3 women and 8 men with missing information on education.
    $\ddagger$ Excludes 16 women with missing information on church attendance.

[^10]:    * Excludes 853 women whose last sexual intercourse was more than 12 months ago.
    † Includes the "boyfried with sex" category, which cannot be studied separately in the 2002 RHS.

[^11]:    * Excludes 3 women with missing information on education.
    $\dagger$ Excludes 13 women with missing information on church attendance.

[^12]:    * Excludes 3 women with missing information on education.
    $\dagger$ Excludes 8 women with missing information on church attendance.

[^13]:    * Includes only live births.

[^14]:    * Includes only live births.
    $\dagger$ Less than 25 cases.

[^15]:    * Excludes 1 woman with missing information on education.
    $\dagger$ Excludes 6 women with missing information on church attendance.

[^16]:    * Excludes 3 women with missing information on education.
    $\dagger$ Excludes 18 women with missing information on church attendance.

[^17]:    * Excludes 1 woman with missing information.

[^18]:    * Excludes 1 woman with missing information.

[^19]:    * Excludes 1 woman with missing information.

[^20]:    * Victoria Jubilee Hospital (VJH), University Hospital of the West Indies (UHWI), Cornwall Regional Hospital (CRH).
    $\dagger$ Savanna-la-mar Hospital (SLMH), Mandeville Hospital (MH), St. Ann's Bay Hospital(SABH), Spanish Town Hospital (STH).
    $\ddagger$ Excludes 1 woman with missing information.

[^21]:    * Excludes 1 woman with missing information.

[^22]:    * Excludes 1 woman with missing information.

[^23]:    * Excludes 1 woman with missing information.

[^24]:    * Women aged 15-44 years.
    † Data not available.

[^25]:    * Includes the hormonal patch.

[^26]:    * Includes the hormonal patch.

[^27]:    * Excludes data for 3 women in 2008, 77 women in 2002 and 55 women in 1997 with missing information on education.
    $\dagger$ Includes the hormonal patch.

[^28]:    * Data on education are missing for 3 women.

[^29]:    * This survey cycle was a Contraceptive Prevalence Survey, a precursor of Reproductive Health Surveys (RHS).
    $\dagger$ These variables were defined differently in 1993 and were not comparable with variables used in the follow-up surveys.
    NA: not applicable because only women aged 15-44 were included in the 1993 survey.
    $\ddagger$ Excludes 3 women in 2008, 77 women in 2002 and 55 women in 1997 with missing information on education attainment.
    § Excludes 18 women in 2008, 77 women in 2002, 49 women in 1997 and 322 women in 1993 with missing information on church attendance.

[^30]:    * These survey cycles were Contraceptive Prevalence Surveys, precursor of Reproductive Health Surveys (RHS).
    $\dagger$ The survey did not include questions regarding the use of this specific method.
    $\ddagger$ Only 4 women in 2008 reported having partners who were contraceptively sterilized.

[^31]:    * For purposes of comparison with the 1993 CPS, this Table only includes women aged 15-44 years who have ever used contraception and knew the age when they first used a method.
    $\dagger$ These variables were defined differently in 1993 and were not comparable with variables used in the follow-up surveys.
    $\ddagger$ Excludes 3 women in 2008, 77 women in 2002 and 55 women in 1997 with missing information on education attainment.
    § Excludes 18 women in 2008, 77 women in 2002, 49 women in 1997 and 322 women in 1993 with missing information on church attendance.

[^32]:    * Includes women legally married, women in consensual unions, and women in visiting partnerships.
    $\dagger$ The 1993 survey included only women aged 15-44 years.
    $\ddagger$ Data not available.
    § Data missing for 3 women in 2008, 77 women and 55 women in union in 2002.

[^33]:    Note: The 1983, 1989, and 1993 surveys were contraceptive prevalence surveys (CPRs); the 1983 and 1989 surveys only included women in union.

    * Includes women legally married, women in consensual unions, and women in visiting partnerships.
    $\dagger$ The 1993 survey included only women aged 15-44 years.
    $\ddagger$ Not applicable as the Norplant was not yet available.

[^34]:    * Includes women legally married, women in consensual unions, and women in visiting partnerships.

[^35]:    * Includes women legally married, women in consensual unions, and women in visiting partnerships

[^36]:    * Includes women legally married, women in consensual unions, and women in visiting partnerships.
    $\dagger$ Excludes 3 women with missing information on education.

[^37]:    * Includes women legally married, women in consensual unions, and women in visiting partnerships.
    $\dagger$ Excludes 3 women with missing informations on education.

[^38]:    * Excludes 2 women with missing informations on education.

[^39]:    * Data not available.

[^40]:    * Receives contraception at home from an outreach worker or at the workplace.

[^41]:    Excludes one woman with missing information.

[^42]:    * Excludes one woman with missing information.

[^43]:    *Excludes 3 women with missing information.

[^44]:    * Excludes 3 women with missing information.

[^45]:    * Excludes 3 women with missing information.

[^46]:    Less than 25 cases
    $\dagger$ Excludes 3 women with missing information.

[^47]:    * Less than 25 cases
    $\dagger$ Excludes 14 and 8 men with missing information.

[^48]:    * Excludes 6 men with missing information

[^49]:    * Excludes 1 woman with missing information.

[^50]:    * Excludes 7 men with missing information.

[^51]:    *Excludes 8 and 7 men with missing information.

[^52]:    * Excludes 7 men with missing information.

[^53]:    * Excludes 14 men with missing information.

[^54]:    * Excludes 14 men with missing information.

[^55]:    * Excludes 3 women with missing information.

[^56]:    * Excludes 14 men with missing information.

[^57]:    * Data on age at sterilization missing for 10 women in 2002, 4 in 1997, 3 in 1993 and 4 in 1989.
    † Mean age at the time of sterilization procedure is lower than the mean age of sterilization users, shown in Chapter 6.

[^58]:    NA Not applicable.

    * Excudes 3 women with missing information on education.
    $\dagger$ Excludes 18 women with missing information on church attendance.

[^59]:    * Excludes 2 women with missing information.

[^60]:    * Excludes 3 women with missing information.

[^61]:    * Excludes 3 women with missing information.

[^62]:    * Excludes 3 women with missing information.

[^63]:    * Excludes 3 women with missing information.

[^64]:    * Excludes 3 women with missing information.

[^65]:    * "Ever smoked" is defined as having smoked at least 100 cigarettes in lifetime.
    $\dagger$ Excludes 14 men with missing information.

[^66]:    * "Ever drunk" is defined as having had at least 12 alcoholic drinks in lifetime.
    $\dagger$ Excludes 3 women with missing information.

[^67]:    * "Ever drunk" is defined as having had at least 12 alcoholic drinks in lifetime.
    $\dagger$ Excludes 14 men with missing information.

[^68]:    * Excludes 14 men whith missing information on education.
    $\dagger$ Excludes 7 women and 15 men whith missing information on church attendance.

[^69]:    Excludes 35 woman and 82 men in 2008 and 95 women and 561 men in 2002 who could not remember age at first intercourse or refused to answer.
    $\dagger$ Excludes 6 men in 2008, 13 women and 9 men in 2002 with missing information on education.
    $\ddagger$ Excludes 5 women and 12 men in 2008, 15 women and 17 men in 2002 with missing information on church attendance.

[^70]:    * Excludes 28 women who reported the first sexual intercourse was the result of rape or incest.
    $\dagger$ Exclude 35 women and 82 men who did not answer the age at first intercourse.
    $\ddagger$ Excludes 8 men with missing information on education.

[^71]:    * Excludes 28 women who reported the first sexual intercourse was the result of rape or incest.
    $\dagger$ Excludes 35 women who did not remember or refuse answer the age at first intercourse.

[^72]:    * Less than 25 cases.
    $\dagger$ Excludes 18 women and 8 men who did not remember or refuse answer the age at first intercourse.

[^73]:    * Data missing for 561 men in 2002 who did not remember or refuse to answer at what age they first had sexual intercourse.
    $\dagger$ Fewer than 25 cases.
    $\ddagger$ Uata missing tor 8 cases in 2008 and 16 men in 2002.
    II Not reported on.

[^74]:    * Data not available because the use of different response categories.

[^75]:    * Less than 25 cases.

[^76]:    * Excludes 4 women and 28 men who did not remember or refused to answer the number of partners in the last 12 months.
    $\dagger$ Excludes 45 women and 116 men who did not remember or refused to answer the number of lifetime sexual partners.

[^77]:    * Defined as exchange of sex for receipt of money or gifts among young women and payments in money or gifts among young men.
    $\dagger$ Excludes 8 men whith missing information on education.
    $\ddagger$ Excludes 18 women and 8 men who did not remember or refuse answer the age at first intercourse.
    § Less than 25 cases.

[^78]:    * Excludes 14 men with missing informations.

[^79]:    * Excludes 1 woman with missing informations.

[^80]:    * Excludes 14 men did not answer.

[^81]:    ** Less than 25 cases

[^82]:    * Excludes 1 woman with missing informations.
    $\dagger$ Excludes 1 woman who refused to answer.

[^83]:    * Excludes 5 men did not answer.

[^84]:    $\dagger$ Excludes 14 men with missing information on education.

[^85]:    * Excludes 14 men with missing informations.

[^86]:    * Excludes 1 woman with missing informations.
    $\dagger$ Excludes 7 women who refused to answer.

[^87]:    * Excludes 7 men with missing information.

[^88]:    * Includes adolescents with 10 or more protective factors out of 14 (high expectations and caring attitudes) from an adult at home or outside the home.
    $\dagger$ Includes adolescents with 5 or more protective factors out of 7 (high expectations and caring attitudes) from an adult at home.
    $\ddagger$ Includes adolescents with 5 or more protective factors (high expectations and caring attitudes) from an adult outside the home.
    § Excludes 1 woman with missing information.
    II Excludes 5 women and 7 men who did not answer.

[^89]:    * Correct knowledge means knowing that the most likely time to become pregnant is halfway between two periods.
    $\dagger$ Excludes 1 woman with missing information.
    $\ddagger$ Excludes 14 men with missing information on education.
    § Excludes 7 women and 15 men with missing information on church attendance.

[^90]:    * Comprehensive knowledge means knowing ways of preventing the sexual transmission of HIV, knowing that a healthy-looking person can be HIV-infected, and rejecting two major misconceptions about HIV transmission.
    $\dagger$ Excludes 1 woman with missing information.
    $\ddagger$ Excludes 14 men with missing information on education.
    § Excludes 7 women and 15 men with missing information on church attendance.

[^91]:    * Includes respondents who rejected 4 traditional gender roles (good wives always obey their husbands; men should show their wives who is the boss; "it is a wife's obligation to have sex with her husband even if she does not feel like it;" and "family problems should only be discussed with people in the family").
    $\dagger$ Excludes 1 woman with missing information.
    $\ddagger$ Excludes 14 men with missing information on education.
    § Excludes 7 women and 15 men with missing information on church attendance.

[^92]:    * Excludes 14 men with missing information.

[^93]:    * Spontaneously mentioned in the interview.
    $\dagger$ Excludes 138 women with missing information.
    $\ddagger$ Excludes 3 women with missing information.

[^94]:    Spontaneously mentioned in the interview.
    $\dagger$ Excludes 14 men with missing information.

[^95]:    * Excludes 51 women with missing information.
    $\dagger$ Excludes 3 women with missing information.

[^96]:    * Excludes 18 men with missing information on most important source of information.
    $\dagger$ Excludes 13 men with missing information on education.

[^97]:    * Excludes 3 women with missing information.

[^98]:    * Excludes 8 men with missing information.

[^99]:    * STI symptoms include abnormal vaginal discharge with or without genital itching, painful urination, painful intercourse, or abdominal pain in the last 12 months.
    $\dagger$ Includes 16 women who self-treated.
    $\ddagger$ Less than 25 cases.

[^100]:    * Excludes 1 man with missing information.
    $\dagger$ Excludes 8 men with missing information.

[^101]:    * Excludes 3 men who have never heard of HIV/AIDS.
    $\dagger$ Excludes 14 men with missing information.

[^102]:    * Excludes 5 women who have never heard of HIVIAIDS.
    $\dagger$ Excludes 3 women with missing information

[^103]:    * Excludes 3 men who have never heard of HIVIAIDS.
    $\dagger$ Excludes 14 men with missing information.

[^104]:    Excludes 5 women who have never heard of HIVIAIDS
    $\dagger$ Excludes 3 women with missing information

[^105]:    * Excludes 3 men who have never heard of HIV/AIDS.
    $\dagger$ Excludes 14 men with missing information.

[^106]:    * Excludes 5 women who have never heard of HIVIAIDS.
    $\dagger$ Excludes 3 women with missing information.

[^107]:    * Excludes 3 men who have never heard of HIV/AIDS.
    $\dagger$ Excludes 14 men with missing information.

[^108]:    * Those who have been tested without receiving the results are considered as having never been tested.
    $\dagger$ It refers to current or last pregnancy among women have ever been pregnant since January 2006.
    $\ddagger$ Excludes 5 women who have never heard of HIV/AIDS.
    § Less than 25 cases.
    If Excludes 3 women with missing information.

[^109]:    * Excludes 24 men who have been tested without receiving the results and are considered as having never been tested.
    $\dagger$ Excludes 3 men who have never heard of HIVIAIDS.
    $\ddagger$ Excludes 14 men with missing information.

[^110]:    * Excludes 1 woman who have never heard of HIV/AIDS.
    $\dagger$ Excludes 2 women with missing information.

[^111]:    * Excludes 3 men who have never heard of HIV/AIDS.
    $\dagger$ Excludes 7 men with missing information.

[^112]:    * Excludes 5 women who have never heard of HIVIAIDS
    $\dagger$ Excludes 3 women with missing information.

[^113]:    * Excludes 3 men who have never heard of HIV/AIDS.
    $\dagger$ Excludes 14 men with missing information.

[^114]:    * Excludes 5 women who have never heard of HIVIAIDS.
    $\dagger$ Excludes 3 women with missing information.

[^115]:    * Excludes 3 men who have never heard of HIV/AIDS.
    $\dagger$ Excludes 8 men with missing information.

[^116]:    * Excludes 5 women who have never heard of HIVIAIDS.
    $\dagger$ Excludes 3 women with missing information.

[^117]:    * Excludes 3 men who have never heard of HIVIAIDS.
    $\dagger$ Excludes 5 men with missing information.

[^118]:    * Excludes 3 men who have never heard of HIVIAIDS.
    $\dagger$ Excludes 3 men with missing information.

[^119]:    Excludes 5 women who have never heard of HIV/AIDS.
    $\dagger$ Excludes 3 women with missing information.

[^120]:    * Excludes 3 men who have never heard of HIVIAIDS.
    $\dagger$ Excludes 14 men with missing information.

[^121]:    *Excludes 3 women with missing information on education.

[^122]:    * Less than 25 cases.
    ** Excludes 14 cases who do not answer the education level.

[^123]:    * Excludes 6 men with missing information on education.

[^124]:    * Excludes 630 women who reported that they did not grow up with both parents.
    $\dagger$ Excludes 2 women with missing information on education.

[^125]:    * Excludes 237 men who reported that they did not grow up with both parents.
    $\dagger$ Excludes 14 men with missing information on education.

[^126]:    Excludes 6 men with missing information on education

[^127]:    Excludes 6 men with missing information on education.

[^128]:    * Excludes 3 women with missing information on education.

