

Current use of contraception by background characteristics**Percentage of women age 15 to 49 currently using a contraceptive method, by type and background characteristics**

Background characteristic	Any method		Modern method ¹		Traditional method	
	All women	Married women ²	All women	Married women ²	All women	Married women ²
Number	4,509	2,587	4,509	2,587	4,509	2,587
Total	21.4	25.6	18.1	21.3	3.4	4.3
Age group						
15–19	9.0	19.7	7.1	15.7	1.8	4.1
20–24	24.5	26.6	20.7	21.4	3.8	5.1
25–29	30.0	29.1	25.8	25.0	4.2	4.1
30–34	25.1	26.4	21.0	22.0	4.1	4.4
35–39	26.3	28.1	23.2	24.5	3.1	3.7
40–44	21.1	24.1	17.0	18.8	4.1	5.2
45–49	10.7	13.5	8.2	10.3	2.5	3.2
Marital status						
Married ²	25.6	na	21.3	na	4.3	na
Unmarried, sexually active	39.3	na	33.6	na	5.7	na
Parity						
0–1	17.0	19.8	13.8	15.0	3.2	4.7
2–3	27.3	29.1	23.1	24.1	4.2	5.0
4 or more	25.0	27.1	22.3	24.0	2.7	3.1
Residence						
Urban	19.3	24.6	15.4	19.0	3.9	5.6
Rural	24.4	26.8	21.8	24.0	2.6	2.8
Education						
Never attended	17.9	18.9	16.7	17.2	1.2	1.7
Primary	18.4	22.5	15.9	19.5	2.5	3.0
Middle/JSS	22.6	29.2	18.8	23.9	3.8	5.3
Secondary	22.8	33.4	17.8	25.3	5.0	8.1
Higher	28.9	27.7	23.9	21.2	5.0	6.5
Wealth quintile						
Lowest	20.2	22.6	18.8	20.6	1.4	2.0
Lower	20.8	23.5	17.6	19.9	3.2	3.6
Middle	19.6	24.4	16.9	21.0	2.7	3.4
Higher	25.7	32.0	20.6	25.1	5.1	6.9
Highest	21.0	27.0	16.4	20.2	4.6	6.8
Region						
Ashanti	18.1	24.7	16.9	23.1	1.2	1.6
Brong-Ahafo	37.2	39.6	26.1	27.6	11.0	12.0
Central	22.6	30.3	21.8	28.8	0.8	1.4
Eastern	20.2	23.2	16.8	18.6	3.4	4.6
Greater Accra	26.6	32.4	19.7	21.3	6.9	11.1
Northern	9.3	10.4	9.3	10.4	0.0	0.0
Upper East	16.2	21.3	15.8	20.7	0.4	0.6
Upper West	24.7	28.4	24.7	28.4	0.0	0.0
Volta	21.7	23.9	16.5	18.3	5.2	5.6
Western	17.2	22.0	13.9	17.4	3.3	4.5

¹Modern methods include female and male sterilization, implants, IUD, injectables, pill, emergency contraception, male and female condoms, standard days method, and lactational amenorrhea method

²Married includes married women and those who are living with a man

na = not applicable