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|  |  | Value |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| BASIC INDICATORS |  |  |
| Childhood mortality | Infant mortality rate | $61.9 \text { per 1,000 }$ |
|  | Under-five mortality rate | 71.4 per 1,000 |
| Maternal mortality | Maternal mortality ratio | 62.5 per 100,000 ${ }^{1}$ |
| Childhood undernutrition | Percent stunted (of children under 5 years) | 9.7 |
|  | Percent wasted (of children under 5 years) | 1.8 |
|  | Percent underweight (of children under 5 years) | 4.2 |
| Clean water supply | Percent of households within 15 minutes of a safe water supply ${ }^{2}$ | 83.6 |
| Sanitary excreta disposal | Percent of households with flush toilets | 47.2 |
| Basic education | Percent of women 15-49 with completed primary education | 99.3 |
|  | Percent of men 15-49 with completed primary education | 99.1 |
|  | Percent of girls 6-12 attending school | 81.4 |
|  | Percent of boys 6-12 attending school | 80.3 |
|  | Percent of women 15-49 who are literate | 99.8 |
| Children in especially difficult situations | Percent of children who are orphans (both parents dead) | 0.2 |
|  | Percent of children who do not live with their natural mother | 6.2 |
|  | Percent of children who live in single adult households | 5.9 |

## SUPPORTING INDICATORS

| Women's Health |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Birth spacing | Percent of births within 24 months of a previous birth ${ }^{3}$ | 32.3 |
| Safe motherhood | Percent of births with medical prenatal care | 94.4 |
|  | Percent of births with prenatal care in first trimester | 46.8 |
|  | Percent of births with medical assistance at delivery | 99.0 |
|  | Percent of births in a medical facility | 98.0 |
|  | Percent of births at high risk | 38.7 |
| Family planning | Contraceptive prevalence rate (any method, married women) | 66.1 |
|  | Percent of currently married women with an unmet demand for family planning | 8.7 |
|  | Percent of currently married women with an unmet need for family planning to avoid a high-risk birth | 6.0 |
| Nutrition |  |  |
| Maternal nutrition | Percent of mothers with low BMI | 7.4 |
| Low birth weight | Percent of births at low birth weight (of those reporting numeric weight) | 7.3 |
| Breastfeeding | Percent of children under 4 months who are exclusively breastfed | 46.6 |
| Child Health |  |  |
| Measles vaccination | Percent of children 12-23 months with measles vaccination | 86.5 |
| Fully vaccinated | Percent of children 12-23 months fully vaccinated | 80.5 |
| Diarrhea control | Percent of children with diarrhea in preceding 2 weeks who received oral rehydration therapy | 32.0 |
| Acute respiratory infection | Percent of children with acute respiratory infection in preceding 2 weeks who were seen by medical personnel | 48.0 |

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# Kazakhstan Demographic and Health Survey 1999 

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## FOREWORD

With great pleasure I would like to introduce the main findings of the second Kazakhstan Demographic and Health Survey (1999 KDHS). The survey was implemented by the Academy of Preventive Medicine of Kazakhstan through an agreement with Macro International Inc. under the auspices of the MEASURE DHS + project supported by the U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID).

In addition to presenting the main findings from the 1999 KDHS on maternal and child health and nutrition, this report highlights the major changes that are taking place in Kazakhstan's demographic and health situation since the previous KDHS survey, which was conducted in 1995. Also, during the 1999 KDHS, information on knowledge and attitudes toward HIV/AIDS and sexually transmitted infections as well as data on men's reproductive behavior were collected. It is expected that the findings in this report will raise important programmatic issues for policy-makers in the areas of population, health, and nutrition in Kazakhstan.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the USAID Regional Office for Central Asia for its support of the survey. This report is the result of more than half a year of preparatory work, four months of data collection, data entry and processing, and about nine months of analysis of the results and report writing. I am grateful to Dr. Jeremiah Sullivan of Macro International Inc. who had a large part at the inception of the project and in the finalization of the main survey report. Also, my sincere thanks go to other American colleagues: Dr. Almaz Sharman, Mr. Albert Themme, Mr. Mamadou Thiam, Dr. Kia Weinstein, Ms. Holly Seyhan, Ms. Kristi Fair, Ms. Sunita Kishor, Dr. Sidney Moore, and Ms. Celia Khan for their assistance in overall survey design and implementation, data processing, analysis of the results, report writing, and production.

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## SUMMARY OF FINDINGS

The 1999 Kazakhstan Demographic and Health Survey (KDHS) is a nationally representative survey of 4,800 women age 15-49 and 1,440 men age $15-59$. This survey is the second of its kind to be carried out in Kazakhstan. It was implemented by the Academy of Preventive Medicine of Kazakhstan, with funding provided by the U.S. Agency for International Development through the MEASURE DHS + program. Fieldwork for the KDHS was conducted from July to September 1999.

The purpose of the survey is to provide current data on women's reproductive histories, knowledge and use of methods of contraception, breastfeeding practices and nutrition, vaccination coverage, and episodes of diseases among their children under the age of five. The survey also provides comparable data for analysis of trends in fertility, reproductive health, child health, and nutrition. In the 1999 KDHS, information on knowledge and attitudes toward HIV/AIDS and sexually transmitted infection, as well as data on men's reproductive behavior were collected. The survey included measurement of hemoglobin levels in the blood to assess the prevalence of anemia, and measurements of height and weight to assess nutritional status. The components of the survey related to the anemia testing and anthropometric assessment were funded by the UNICEF Area Office for Central Asia and Kazakhstan (UNICEF/CARK).

## Fertility Decline

The 1999 KDHS results demonstrate that fertility in the Republic of Kazakhstan has declined rapidly over the last decade. At current fertility levels, a Kazakhstan woman will give birth to 2.1 children during her reproductive period, a decline of 18 percent from the 1995 KDHS when the Total Fertility Rate (TFR) was 2.5 children per woman, and of 29 percent since the 1989 Census when the TFR was 2.9 children per woman.

Fertility has fallen in almost every age group and the decline has been exhibited by both ethnic Kazakh women and ethnic Russian women. The TFR among ethnic Kazakh women dropped from 3.6 to 2.5 over the past decade, a decline of one child per woman. Among ethnic Russians, the TFR fell from 2.2 to 1.4 over the decade, a decline of not quite one child per woman, but resulting in a TFR below replacement level.

Like the 1995 survey, the 1999 KDHS results show that the TFR is higher among rural women ( 2.7 children per woman) than among urban women ( 1.5 children per woman). The TFR is lowest in Almaty City ( 1.0 children per woman), intermediate for the Central and North regions (1.6 and 1.7 children per woman, respectively) and highest in the South and West regions (2.9 and 2.3, respectively). Women with a primary or secondary education give birth to an average of 2.4 children, compared with 1.5 children for women with higher education.

Overall, about one-third of births (32 percent) in Kazakhstan were born within 24 months of the previous birth. The median birth interval length is 35 months, up from 32 months in the 1995 KDHS.

While the age at which women begin childbearing has changed little over time, women currently age 20-24 are less likely to have begun childbearing than women who were age 20-24 at the time of the 1995 KDHS. The 1995 KDHS found that 44 percent of women who were 20-24 had not yet had a birth, while 54 percent of 20-24 year-olds surveyed in 1999 had not yet given birth.

A large proportion of currently married women in Kazakhstan ( 55 percent) said that they don't want to have any more children. Less than one-third of women ( 30 percent) want to have a child, and 43 percent of these would like to wait two or more years before
having that child. Thus, the vast majority of women want either to delay their next birth or to limit childbearing altogether. These are women who are potentially in need of some method of family planning.

The 1999 KDHS also collected information on men's fertility preferences. Sixty-six percent of men either wanted no more children or their spouse was sterilized or infecund, while about one-third (32 percent) wanted another child.

## CONTRACEPTION AND AbORTION

More than half (53 percent) of currently married women in Kazakhstan use a modern method of contraception, up from 46 percent in 1995. Significant increases in contraceptive use have occurred among the older cohorts. Among women 35 to 39 there has been an increase in the use of modern contraceptive methods from 55 to 63 percent; 47 to 58 percent among women 40 to 44 ; and 22 to 40 percent among married women age 45 to 49. This indicates that modern methods are being adopted by women in older cohorts in order to limit births.

The IUD is by far the most widely used method of modern contraception. Among married women there has been a slight increase in users from 40 percent in 1995 to 42 percent. After the IUD, the condom is the next most widely used modern method. Since 1995 there has been no significant increase in overall condom use, but among married women age 25 to 29 use has increased from 3.4 to 7.3 percent. A significantly larger proportion of this cohort reports use of condoms than other cohorts. Approximately 3 percent of currently married women report that they have been sterilized. As in 1995, 13 percent state that they are using a traditional method.

The most significant changes in contraceptive use have occurred among unmarried, sexually active women. Currently 56 percent report using a modern method, as opposed to 39
percent in 1995. Use of the pill has doubled (from 5 to 10 percent) as has use of the IUD (14 to 26 percent). Condom use, however, appears to have remained constant in the last 5 years (approximately 19 percent). Use of traditional methods has decreased. Currently 13 percent of all sexually active unmarried women report using a traditional method, down from 19 percent five years previously.

Fifty-five percent of men in Kazakhstan are currently using a method of contraception; almost half ( 48 percent) of all men surveyed use a modern method. Among men who use a modern method, 54 percent report using the IUD, the most common method among all age groups, and 37 percent reported use of a condom. Condom use is concentrated among younger men (for example, 35 percent of 20 to 24 year olds versus 17 percent of 40 to 44 year olds).

The Total Abortion Rate (TAR) in Kazakhstan has declined from 1.8 abortions per woman for the period 1992-1995 to 1.4 abortions per woman for the period 1996-1999 (a decline of almost 25 percent over an interval of four years). The abortion rates have fallen substantially in every age group in the broad age range from 20 to 40 where the practice of induced abortion is concentrated. Not all ethnic groups however have exhibited a change in rates. The TAR among Kazakhs appears to have remained stable at 1.1, while the TAR among Russians has declined by 36 percent from 2.7 to 1.7 .

Like the 1995 survey, the 1999 KDHS showed substantial regional variations in the rate of induced abortion. In the high-fertility South and West regions, the TAR is lowest (1.1 abortions per woman). In the Central and East regions where fertility levels are intermediate, abortion rates are also intermediate ( 1.2 and 1.6, respectively), while in the relatively low fertility areas of Almaty City and the North region, abortion rates are highest (1.8 and 2.0, respectively).

## Maternal and Child Health

In Kazakhstan, the levels of antenatal care services and delivery assistance remain high. Ninety-four percent of mothers received antenatal care from professional health providers. For 76 percent of births in the five years preceding the survey, mothers received antenatal care from a doctor, 3 percent from a doctor's assistant, and 15 percent from a nurse or trained midwife. Mothers are more apt to receive care by a doctor for first births (83 percent) than for births of order six or higher (67 percent).

Virtually all births in Kazakhstan (98 percent) are delivered at health facilities. The great majority of births occur in a delivery hospital ( 89 percent) and another 9 percent in a public hospital. Only 2 percent of births are reported as occurring outside the setting of a health facility (i.e., primarily at the respondent's home). Almost all births are delivered under the supervision of persons with medical training: 77 percent by a doctor and 22 percent by a doctor's assistant and a nurse or trained midwife.

In the 1999 KDHS the child vaccination data was collected from the health cards maintained at the health facilities. The survey data showed high levels of vaccination coverage with about 99 percent of children age 12-23 months having received a BCG vaccination and the first dose of polio and DPT/DP vaccines.

Coverage for the second dose of polio and DPT/DT was 98 and 99 percent, respectively. The third dose of polio and DPT/DT was received by 92 and 98 percent of children, respectively. Eighty-seven percent of children have received measles vaccine. The percentage of children 12-23 months of age who have received all WHO-recommended vaccinations is 81 percent.

## Childhood Mortality

One of the main objectives of the 1999 KDHS was to document current levels and trends in infant and child mortality. In the KDHS, infant mortality data were collected based on the international definition of a live birth, which, irrespective of the duration of the pregnancy, is an infant that breathes or shows any signs of life (such as the beating of the heart or movement of voluntary muscles) after separation from the mother. An infant death is the death of a live-born infant under one year of age (United Nations, 1992).

For the five years immediately preceding the survey (1994-99), the infant mortality estimate was 62 per 1,000 births. The estimates of neonatal and postneonatal mortality were 34 and 28 per 1,000 births, respectively. The estimate of child mortality (age 1 to age 5) was much lower; 10 per 1,000 . The overall under-five mortality rate for the period was 71 per 1,000.

For the fifteen-year period preceding the survey, the estimates of infant mortality indicate a decline from 55 per 1,000 (1984$89)$ to 50 per $1,000(1989-94)$ and then an increase to 62 per 1,000 (1994-99). The same pattern is evident in the estimates of child mortality where there is a decline from 12 per 1,000 (1984-89) to 7 per 1,000 (1989-94) and then an increase to 10 per 1,000 (199499). While these statistics suggest improving mortality conditions between the mid-1980s and the early 1990s, then deteriorating conditions from the early 1990s to the late 1990s, the true extent of mortality change may differ from the estimated rates because of sampling variability.

## Breastreeding and Nutritional Status

Breastfeeding is nearly universal in Kazakhstan; 95 percent of children born in the five years preceding the survey were breastfed. Forty-seven percent of children age 0-3 months were exclusively breastfed. This percentage is significantly higher than in 1995 when only 12 percent of children age 0-3 months were exclusively breastfed.

Exclusive breastfeeding among children age 4-7 months has also increased from 3 percent in 1995 to 10 percent in 1999. During these months most breastfed children (64 percent) receive supplementary feeding and 10 percent receive plain water. For all of Kazakhstan, the median duration of any breastfeeding is 7.1 months, and the durations of exclusive and full breastfeeding (breastfeeding plus plain water) are 0.7 and 1.9 months, respectively.

After the first birthday, almost all nonbreastfeeding children receive high protein foods made of flour. A high proportion of them (more than 70 percent) receive products rich in protein, vitamins and minerals, such as meat, poultry, and some fruits and vegetables.

In the 1999 KDHS, all surviving children born since January 1994 and living in every second selected household were eligible for height and weight measurements. (In the cities of Almaty, Zhezkazgan, and Semipalatinsk children were selected in all households but in every second cluster.) Complete and plausible anthropometric data were collected for a total of 612 children under age five.

For all of Kazakhstan, 10 percent of children are moderately or severely stunted, 2 percent are moderately or severely wasted, and 4 percent are moderately or severely underweight for age. Children age 12-23 months and 36-47 months are less well-nourished than infants by almost all indices of undernutrition. Stunting is more common among female children than among male ( 11 versus 9 percent), whereas boys are more likely to be wasted than girls.

## ANEMIA

Anemia remains among the leading public health problems in Kazakhstan. The 1999 KDHS data show that 36 percent of the women in Kazakhstan are classified as having some degree of anemia; 8 percent of women have moderate anemia, and 1 percent have severe anemia. Thirty-six percent of children under the age of five are anemic; 17 percent
have moderate anemia, and 1 percent are severely anemic.

A comparison of probability plots of cumulative percent distributions for hemoglobin concentrations in the blood of children, nonpregnant and nonlactating women, as well as men, showed that hemoglobin distribution curves for women and children are shifted downward compared with those for men. This pattern is characteristic of populations where iron deficiency is the main cause of anemia. This confirms previous suggestions that anemia among women and children in Kazakhstan is primarily due to negative iron balance.

Supplementation of iron during pregnancy is one of the main components of the UNICEF/CARK Anemia Control and Prevention Strategy in Kazakhstan. The government of Kazakhstan supports this program by promoting iron supplementation during pregnancy and the postpartum period. The 1999 KDHS showed that 48 percent of women in Kazakhstan received iron pills during the last pregnancy; they took the iron pills for an average of 22 days.

Compared with the results from the 1995 KDHS there has been a decline in the prevalence of moderate-to-severe anemia among both women and children during the four-year period. The rate of moderate-to-severe anemia has declined from 12 to 9 percent among women and from 39 to 26 percent among children under age three.

## HIV/AIDS and Other Sexually Transmitted INfECTIONS

The current low level of the HIV epidemic in Kazakhstan provides a unique window of opportunity for early targeted interventions to prevent further spread of the infection. However, increases in the cumulative incidence of HIV infection as well as the exponential increase in other sexually transmitted infections (STIs), suggest that this window of opportunity is rapidly closing.

The 1999 KDHS data show that the knowledge of HIV/AIDS among women and men in Kazakhstan is nearly universal and a large proportion of them know one or more valid ways to protect against HIV/AIDS, such as using condoms, having only one sex partner, or limiting the number of sex partners.

There is some stigma regarding HIV/AIDS in Kazakhstan, which is evidenced by the fact that 40 percent of women and 26 percent of men would prefer to keep information about HIV/AIDS private. The percentage of women and men who wouldn't be willing to care for a relative with AIDS at home, which is an indicator of discriminatory attitudes toward such persons, was 31 and 15 percent, respectively.

Despite the high prevalence of STIs other than HIV/AIDS, 18 percent of women and 7 percent of men in Kazakhstan reported that they had not heard of such infections. Among those who have heard of STIs, more than 40 percent of women and more than 60 percent of men cited one or more symptoms of STIs such as abdominal pain, genital discharge, and burning pain on urination. Relatively low levels of knowledge of STI symptoms among men and women of younger ages raises concerns because of their potential contribution to future epidemics of HIV/AIDS and other STIs in Kazakhstan.

Since the spread of HIV/AIDS and other STIs depends on unprotected sex with people who have multiple partners, the fact that 10 percent of married men reported having extramarital sexual relationships and that 22 percent of unmarried men have multiple sex partners raises another concern. The data also show that about 81 percent of women and 42 percent of men did not use a condom during the last sexual intercourse with a noncohabitating partner. Such behaviors carry a high risk of transmission of HIV/AIDS and other STIs.

## Tuberculosis

With high levels of morbidity and mortality, tuberculosis (TB) presents a major health problem in Kazakhstan: The 1999 KDHS data
showed that more than 9 percent of men and women in Kazakhstan reported that someone in their family had had TB and more than 23 percent reported having frequent exposure to a person with TB. This information confirms the high prevalence of tuberculosis in different regions of Kazakhstan reported by government statistics.

The 1999 KDHS data also show that almost 100 percent of both female and male respondents have heard of tuberculosis and more than 71 percent of them can correctly identify the way tuberculosis is transmitted, which is through the air during coughing. Approximately half of the respondents mentioned without prompting the main symptom of tuberculosis, which is coughing for more than three weeks. A significant percentage of the respondents also cited other important symptoms of tuberculosis such as fever, blood in sputum, and night sweating.

However, despite such high levels of knowledge of TB symptoms and the modes of its transmission, only 68 percent of women and 62 percent of men knew that tuberculosis could be completely cured with proper medication. The complete curability of tuberculosis with a properly selected drug treatment regimen is an important concept of the DOTS (Directly Observed Treatment Short-Course) strategy endorsed by the WHO.

Another important concept is the possibility of follow-up home treatment under close observation of a health professional, after the initial phase of intensive drug therapy in the hospital. In the 1999 KDHS, only 13 percent of female respondents and 9 percent of male respondents cited such a sequence of TB treatment. The vast majority of respondents, more than 82 percent, believe that the entire TB treatment should be carried out in the hospital. In addition, more than half of the respondents would seek treatment at a hospital in the event of a case of TB in their family, compared with less than 19 percent who would seek treatment at a TB dispensary and less than 18 percent who would rely on an ambulatory care setting such as a polyclinic or family group practice.

## KAZAKHSTAN



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### 1.1 Geography and Population

Kazakhstan lies in the north of the central Asian republics and is bounded by Russia in the north, China in the east, the Kyrgyz Republic and Uzbekistan in the south, and the Caspian Sea and part of Turkmenistan in the west. The territory of Kazakhstan is mostly steppe with hilly plains and plateaus.

The national language is Kazakh, which belongs to the Turkic language group. Russian is widely spoken and is an important language of communication. The primary religion of the people of Kazakhstan is Sunni Islam.

According to the last census, conducted in 1999, the population of Kazakhstan is 14.9 million people, making Kazakstan the fourth most populous former Soviet republic. Fifty-six percent of the country's residents live in cities (National Statistical Agency, 1999). With a population density of approximately 6 people per square kilometer, Kazakhstan is one of the most sparsely populated regions in the world.

Currently, Kazakhstan is experiencing rapid social change that includes a dramatic reduction in the number of children desired and fertility rates fast approaching Western levels. The country is now nearing the end of a demographic transition, having an annual rate of natural increase of 0.5 percent and a total fertility rate estimated at 2.0 births per woman.

People representing more than 100 nationalities live in Kazakhstan, with Kazakhs and Slavs (mostly Russians and Ukrainians) constituting the two largest ethnic groups. According the 1999 census, the ethnic breakdown was as follows: 53.4 percent Kazakh, 30.0 percent Russian, and 16.6 percent Ukrainian, Uzbek, German, Tartar, Byelorussian, Korean, and others. (National Statistical Agency, 1999).

Kazakhstan is experiencing a pronounced outflow of citizens, primarily Russians moving to other former Soviet republics. Official figures indicate that 472,273 people left Kazakhstan in 1998; 63.9 percent of them were ethnically non-Kazakh. To some extent, the outflow has been offset by in-migration. Kazakhstan's government has actively encouraged the return of ethnic Kazakhs from elsewhere in the former Soviet Union, as well as from Mongolia, Turkey, Iran, and other countries. As a result, 40,624 persons identified as ethnic Kazakhs immigrated to Kazakhstan in 1998 (National Statistical Agency, 1999).

### 1.2 History of Kazakhstan

Historically, the Kazakh people pursued a nomadic lifestyle for which the region's climate and terrain were well suited. The indigenous Kazakhs belonged to several divisions of Turkic tribes, and the movements, conflicts, and alliances of these tribes determined the early history of Kazakhstan. The earliest well-documented state in the region was the Turkic Kaganate, which came into existence in the sixth century A.D. Various Turkic tribes ruled the country until it fell under 200 years of Mongol rule in the thirteenth century.

The present-day Kazakhs became a recognizable group in the mid-fifteenth century, when Qasym-Khan ruled the country. The Kazakhs then separated into three hordes: the Great Horde, which controlled Semirech'ye and southern Kazakhstan; the Middle Horde, which occupied northcentral Kazakstan; and the Lesser Horde, which occupied western Kazakstan. The hordes were unified in eighteenth century in the Ulu-Tau area by the great leader Abylai Khan. Under his leadership, the country was able to maintain effective diplomatic relations with its powerful neighbors: Russia and China.

Despite such diplomacy, Russia conquered Kazakhstan in the late eighteenth century. The Middle Horde fell first, followed by the rest of the country. Soon after the conquest, the Kazakhs began to resist Russian control, and the first mass uprising was led by Khan Kene, who is now considered a Kazakh national hero.

In 1917, a group of secular nationalists called the Alash Orda attempted to set up an independent national government. This state lasted less than two years (1918-20) before surrendering to the Bolshevik authorities, who then sought to preserve Communist control under a new political system.

In 1920, Kazakhstan became part of the Kyrgyz Autonomous Republic formed by the Soviet authorities, and in 1925 this entity's name was changed to the Kazakh Autonomous Soviet Socialist Republic. In 1936, Kazakhstan was made a full Soviet republic.

After 1930, the Soviet government began forcing the nomadic Kazakhs to settle on collective and state farms, and the Soviets encouraged large numbers of Russians and other Slavs to settle in the region. During this period (known as Stalin's collectivization), Kazakstan endured repeated famines. At least 1.5 million Kazakhs and 80 percent of the republic's livestock died. Thousands more Kazakhs tried to escape to China, Afghanistan, Iran, and Turkey; however, most of them starved in the attempt.

During the so-called Virgin Land campaign (1956-1964) a significant part of Kazakhstan’s territory was put to the plow for the cultivation of wheat and corn. Also during this period, industrial development was initiated in Kazakhstan and benefited from the country's abundance of natural resources. Economic development was accelerated by the military industry and the space program, which were promoted by the Soviet government. During this period of intensive industrialization and agricultural development, many non-Kazakhs arrived in the country. By the 1970s Kazakhstan was the only Soviet republic in which the eponymous nationality was a minority in its own territory.

One negative consequence of such intensive industrialization and agricultural development was significant industrial and agrochemical pollution. The Soviet government also used Kazakhstan as a testing ground for nuclear weapons, which raised concerns about radioactive pollution in the Semipalatinsk region where the weapons were tested.

In 1991, after the collapse of the former Soviet Union, Kazakhstan officially declared itself an independent state. According to the country's Constitution, Kazakhstan is a parliamentary republic, with the president as the head of state. Former Communist Party leader Nursultan Nazarbayev became Kazakhstan's first president in 1999. In January 1999, he was sworn into office for another seven years.

Thus, two major demographic trends characterize Kazakhstan in the twentieth century: rapid urbanization and a shift in the national ethnic structure. Kazakhstan's present ethnic spectrum is the result of a migration process initiated and influenced by industrialization and political changes throughout Kazakhstan's history. Millions of ethnic Slavs (Russians, Ukrainians, Byelorussians) settled in the northern territories of Kazakshtan, whereas the central and southern regions remained populated primarily by ethnic Kazakhs.

### 1.3 Economy

Kazakhstan, the second largest of the former Soviet republics, possesses significant amounts of fuel reserves as well as plentiful supplies of other minerals and metals. It also has considerable agricultural potential: its vast areas of steppe accommodate both livestock and grain production. Kazakhstan's industrial sector rests on the extraction and processing of these natural resources and on a relatively large machine-building sector specializing in construction equipment, tractors, agricultural machinery, and defense items.

The breakup of the USSR and the collapse of demand for Kazakhstan's traditional heavy industry products have resulted in a sharp contraction of the economy since 1991, with the steepest annual decline occurring in 1994. In response to worsening economic conditions, the government began accelerating reforms with a revised package of structural reform. Economic stabilization and fundamental structural reforms in the trade regime have brought about an improvement in Kazakstan's external situation.

Between 1995 and 1997, the pace of the government's program of economic reform and privatization quickened, resulting in a substantial shifting of assets into the private sector. The December 1996 signing of the Caspian Pipeline Consortium agreement to build a new pipeline from western Kazakhstan's Tengiz oil field to the Black Sea increases prospects for substantially larger oil exports in the near future.

However, there was a downward turn in Kazakhstan's economy in 1998 with a 2.5 percent decline in growth of the gross domestic product (GDP) due to slumping oil prices and the Russian financial crisis in August. Another complicating factor was moving the capital to Astana, which has both disrupted government operations and diverted a large portion of the government's budget into the massive construction necessary to make Astana a functioning capital.

Despite these difficulties, most of which can be attributed to the transition period, some evidence indicates that the economy started recovering in 1999. The government continues to commit itself to a free-market economy and has put in place efficient monetary policy and innovative pension reform. Other positive signs are the thriving securities markets and continuous fiscal and banking reform. The government has actively encouraged international trade and foreign investment, leading to higher per capita foreign-investment levels in Kazakhstan than any other former Soviet republic. To become more efficient, the government restructured and consolidated many operations to reduce the number of government ministries and agencies. Because of such policies and Kazakhstan's vast oil and mineral resources, relatively low external-debt obligations, and well-trained work force, the country's medium- and long-term economic prospects continue to be good.

### 1.4 Health Care System and Epidemiological Profile of Kazakhstan

Until recently, Kazakhstan's health care system, which developed as part of the Sovietplanned system, could be defined as a planned public service provided by the state, with all health personnel being state employees. The system was highly centralized and standardized. Services were free to patients, provided in state-owned facilities, and financed mostly by the state budget. Heavy emphasis was placed on training large numbers of doctors and providing large numbers of hospital beds. The system intended to provide comprehensive health coverage and universal access to services with a focus on disease prevention.

Health services were provided through a network of primary-health-care institutions, including ambulatories, dispensaries, polyclinics, hospitals (rural, delivery, and other types), and doctor's assistant/midwife posts (so-called FAPs). For the purpose of management, the country was divided into health-service-delivery areas, each representing between 3,000 and 4,000 people. Specialized services were provided through secondary and tertiary health systems.

The Soviet health care system has been successful in providing adequate access to services for most of Kazakhstan's population, including those who reside in rural and remote areas. However, maintaining such a system required substantial and continuous budgetary support and enormous manpower resources and managerial skills. Although the Soviet health care system met many of its goals, the system itself and the health of the population has deteriorated, largely due to the political and economic turmoil that accompanied the collapse of the former Soviet Union.

As a result, Kazakhstan inherited a health care system that was in a chronic state of disarray. Even in the years that preceded the collapse, the former Soviet Union was the only major country where the percentage of the gross domestic product (GDP) going to health care decreased, and it was already in the range of just 3 to 4 percent. This percentage compares with average health-care expenditures of 6 to 10 percent of the GDP in most developed countries. After the collapse of the former Soviet Union, funding to the health sector in Kazakhstan decreased to about 1 or 3 percent of the GDP, and the GDP fell by as much as 50 percent. This situation has resulted in decline in life expectancy, increased morbidity, poor conditions of hospitals and other health facilities, and overall public dissatisfaction with health services (Sharmanov et al., 1996).

The failure of the state-run health care system forces people to turn to a growing array of private health services that are available mostly through a cash payment. As a result, the picture now emerging in Kazakhstan is of a dual system: the old state system, facing chronic underfunding, and a second, loosely regulated private system, offering market and competitive solutions.

This situation, as well as the guarantee of free basic health care in the 1995 Constitution of Kazakhstan, prompted the country to search for other ways to fund health services. A new institutional structure, the Health Insurance Fund, was established in 1995 to operate the health insurance system. Initially, the fund was successful in increasing the efficiency of the health sector. However, because of mismanagement and corruption, which resulted in inefficiency and growing public criticism, the idea of the national health insurance system collapsed in 1999.

While searching for an efficient funding mechanism, the country took major steps in restructuring the primary-health-care system with the intent to redirect resources to the primary-health-care sector. Efforts to restructure the primary-care delivery system in Kazakhstan have focused on creating a network of family group practices. These practices are physically, financially, and administratively independent from higher level facilities. The funding mechanism of this system is based on a capitation system, and the ultimate goal is to increase the managerial autonomy and internal control that primary-care providers have over their resources, so they can better adapt to the needs of their service population (Borowitz et al., 1999).

Pilot programs in family group practices and new payment systems demonstrating their costeffectiveness and high-quality services have been established in the cities of Zhezkazgan and Semipalatinsk. In late 1998, President Nazarbayev endorsed a plan to replicate nationwide the new health-care model, and a large World Bank loan was negotiated to provide support for the program. Despite some criticism among conservative groups of physicians and health administrators, the new system continues to be envisioned as an efficient means of health care management and financing.

From an epidemiological point of view, Kazakhstan has features of both developed and developing countries. The major causes of death are similar to those of industrialized countries: cardiovascular disease, cancer, and accidents. The decline in life expectancy is not due to infectious diseases, but rather to increases in cardiovascular mortality, alcohol-related deaths, accidents, and violence. Infectious diseases account for a relatively low percentage of overall mortality, generally less than 20 percent (Sharmanov, 1996, Borowitz et al., 1999).

At the same time, there is a rising incidence of tuberculosis, especially its multi-drugresistant forms. Because of tuberculosis' consumption of a large proportion of the limited resources available to the health sector and its potentially to spread to other countries, tuberculosis is of great public-health concern in Kazakhstan. Recently, the government of Kazakshtan endorsed the DOTS program, which is a new treatment protocol for tuberculosis that provides effective treatment and prevents drug-resistant forms of the disease from spreading.

Among children, acute respiratory infections and childhood diarrheal diseases are the main causes of death. From a burden-of-disease perspective, this area is the most critical because it requires significant investment of resources as well as development of effective intervention programs.

### 1.5 Family Planning Policies and Programs

The main goals of Kazakhstan's family planning policy are to ensure low-risk pregnancies and safe motherhood, to reduce complications due to inadequately spaced pregnancies, and to reduce the incidence and prevalence of pregnancy complications and extragenital diseases among women of reproductive age.

In Kazakhstan, one of the primary methods of birth control is induced abortion. After its initial legalization in 1920, abortion was banned in 1936 as part of a pronatalist policy emphasizing population growth. Since this attempt to increase population growth proved unsuccessful and even harmful because of maternal deaths caused by illegal abortions, the Soviet government again legalized induced abortion for nonmedical reasons in 1955. Abortions were allowed to be performed free of charge in most health facilities, such as outpatient departments of general hospitals and delivery hospitals.

Currently, induced abortion is legal in Kazakhstan during the first 12 weeks of pregnancy. In some cases, it can be performed after 12 weeks if certain medical or social indications exist. These cases require supervision of qualified medical personnel in a hospital setting. Abortion can be done free of charge; however, fee-for-services facilities have become available to perform miniabortions by the vacuum aspiration technique. Despite indications that the number of induced abortions has declined in recent years, the abortion issue remains a public health concern in Kazakhstan because of the prevalence of complications and the overall adverse effects on women's health.

Because of the policy of promoting safe methods of family planning, widespread use of contraception has been observed in Kazakhstan during the past several years. Among the most popular methods is the intrauterine device (IUD). Many women rely on the IUD as a convenient and safe method of contraception. For many years, oral contraceptives were less available in Kazakhstan because of the order "On the Side Effects and Complications of Oral Contraceptives", published by the Ministry of Health of the former Soviet Union in 1974. This document, in effect, banned the distribution and use of oral contraceptives (United Nations, 1995).

After the collapse of the former Soviet Union, the government of Kazakhstan liberalized its policy on family planning. Currently, the government manages a broad spectrum of activities including providing intensive family planning education for the population and supplying contraceptives throughout the country. The private sector is also involved in marketing contraceptives. Women in Kazakhstan now have access to a variety of methods of contraception including oral contraceptives and injectables. Contraceptives are distributed in the public sector by pharmacies and women's consulting centers, and in the private sector by private pharmacies.

Part of the success in reducing the abortion rate has been attributed to social marketing of contraceptives and education programs supported by the U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID) and the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA). As a result of the government's policies and international assistance, reliance on abortion is diminishing in Kazakhstan as use of contraceptive methods becomes more widespread. Some evidence suggests that further significant declines in the abortion rate can occur with an increase in contraceptive use (Westoff et al., 1998).

### 1.6 Demographic and Health Data Collection System in Kazakhstan

The demographic and health data collection system in Kazakhstan is based on the registration of events and periodic censuses. The data on births, deaths, marriages, and divorces are registered at the local administrative level of an internal passport control system. These data are then forwarded to the National Statistical Agency through the raion- and oblast-level statistical offices. The committee is responsible for conducting censuses and maintaining this registration system. The last census in Kazakhstan was conducted in 1999, and its results were published in 2000. The National Statistical Agency is also responsible for tabulating and publishing an annual report of demographic data generated by the registration system.

Collection of health data is a primary responsibility of the Health Statistics Department of the National Agency on Health. Health information is collected by staff at the facilities delivering services and then sent to the Health Statistics Department through the raion- and oblast-level health information centers. The Health Statistics Department complies and analyzes the data and issues an annual report entitled Health of the Population of the Republic of Kazakhstan and Health Resources.

The health data collected and published by the Health Statistics Department consist of the following major categories: 1) morbidity specified by type of disease (infectious and noninfectious); 2) mortality specified by causes of death; 3 ) infant deaths, including data on antenatal, perinatal, and early neonatal deaths; 4) maternal mortality specified by causes of maternal death; 5) data on maternal and child health, including antenatal care and delivery assistance, contraceptive clients, induced abortion rates, and pediatric services; 6) number of health facilities, medical personnel, hospital beds, and length of average stay in the hospital; and 7) health data specified by type of medical services, including medical care for patients with cancer, tuberculosis, mental disorders, drug abuse, and sexually transmitted diseases. These data are usually tabulated at the national and oblast levels, and for some categories, by the age groups 0-14 and 15 or more years.

Despite this collection effort, a data analysis function that provides tools to evaluate and inform policy development is not sufficient. There is significant underreporting of some cases of morbidity and mortality and some of the criteria used to calculate important demographic and health indicators are based on old Soviet definitions, which sometimes do not comply with international standards. An example is the definition of live birth, which is used to calculate infant mortality rates. Kazakhstan still uses the old Soviet definition of live birth. As a result, infant mortality rates, particularly neonatal mortality rates reported by the government, are significantly lower than the actual infant mortality rates. ${ }^{1}$

Besides the problems of inaccurate data and lack of a data analysis function, the health information collection process and systems are vertical and not integrated to create one set of data providing a picture of the health sector in Kazakhstan.

### 1.7 Objectives and Organization of the Survey

The 1999 Kazakhstan Demographic and Health Survey (1999 KDHS) is the second nationallevel population and health survey in Kazakhstan. The first Demographic and Health Survey was conducted in 1995. The 1999 KDHS was implemented by the Academy of Preventive Medicine of Kazakhstan and was funded by USAID. Technical assistance for the program was provided by the MEASURE DHS + project of Macro International Inc. in the U.S.

The purpose of the survey is to develop a single integrated set of data for the government of Kazakhstan to use in planning effective policies and programs in the areas of health and nutrition. The survey was designed to provide current data on women's reproductive histories; knowledge and use of methods of contraception; breastfeeding practices; and the nutrition, vaccination coverage, and episodes of diseases among their children under the age of five. Information on knowledge of and attitudes toward HIV/AIDS and other sexually transmitted infections, as well as data on men's reproductive behavior, were also collected in the 1999 KDHS. The survey also included the measurement of the hemoglobin level in the blood to assess the prevalence of anemia, and measurements of height and weight to assess nutritional status (funded by UNICEF).

Since the 1999 KDHS is the second survey, it provides comparable data for analysis of trends in fertility, reproductive health, and child health and nutrition. The 1999 KDHS also contributes to the growing international database on demographic and health-related variables.

### 1.7.1 Sample Design and Implementation

The sample for the 1999 KDHS successfully interviewed 4,800 women 15-49 years of age and 1,440 men 15-59 years of age. Survey estimates are presented for six geographic regions. The six survey regions were defined as follows:
(1) Almaty City
(2) South Region: Almatinskaya, Zhambylskaya, Kyzylordinskaya, and SouthKazakhstanskaya oblast
(3) West Region: Aktyubinskaya, Atyrauskaya, Mangistauskaya, and WestKazakhstanskaya oblast

[^1](4) North Region: Akmolinskaya, Kostnaiskaya, Pavlodarskaya, and NorthKazakhstanskaya oblast
(5) Central Region: Karagandinskaya oblast
(6) East Region: East-Kazakhstanskaya oblast

The sampling frame for the 1999 KDHS consisted of the lists of health blocks obtained from local health-care departments and the National Committee on Health (for urban areas), and of the lists of villages obtained from the National Statistical Agency.

The 1999 KDHS sample is a stratified two-stage sample. Stratification was achieved by dividing each survey region into urban and rural areas. In the first stage of selection, 251 health blocks and villages were selected as primary sampling units (PSUs) with probability proportional to the population count. A complete listing of the households residing in the selected blocks and villages was carried out. The lists of households served as the sampling frame for the systematic selection of 6336 households in the second stage. Women age 15-49 were identified and interviewed in selected households. Every third household was identified as selected for the male survey, and in those households, all men age 15-59 were interviewed.

Details concerning the 1999 KDHS sample design are provided in Appendix A and the estimation of sampling errors is included in Appendix B.

### 1.7.2 Questionnaires

Three questionnaires were used for the 1999 KDHS: the Household Questionnaire, the Women's Questionnaire, and the Men's Questionnaire. These questionnaires were based on the model survey instruments developed for the MEASURE DHS + program and were adapted to the data needs of Kazakhstan during consultations with specialists in the areas of reproductive health and child health and nutrition in Kazakhstan. The questionnaires were developed in English and then translated into Russian and Kazakh. A pretest was conducted in April 1999. Based on the pretest experience, the questionnaires were further modified.

The Household Questionnaire was used to enumerate all usual members and visitors in a sample household and to collect information relating to the socioeconomic position of the household. In the first part of the Household Questionnaire, information was collected on age, sex, educational attainment, and relationship to the head of household for each person listed as a household member or visitor. A primary objective of the first part of the Household Questionnaire was to identify women and men who were eligible for the individual interview. In the second part of the Household Questionnaire, questions were included on the dwelling unit, such as the number of rooms, the flooring material, the source of water, and the type of toilet facilities, and on the availability of a variety of consumer goods.

The Women's Questionnaire was used to collect information from women age 15-49 on the following major topics:

- Background characteristics
- Pregnancy history
- Outcome of pregnancies, antenatal and postnatal care
- Child health and nutrition practices
- Child immunization and episodes of diarrhea and respiratory illness
- Knowledge and use of contraception
- Marriage and fertility preferences
- Husband's background and woman's work
- Knowledge of HIV/AIDS and other sexually transmitted infections
- Maternal and child anthropometry
- Hemoglobin measurement of women and children.

The Men's Questionnaire was used to collect information from men age 15-59 on the following topics:

- Background characteristics
- Reproduction
- Contraceptive knowledge and use
- Marriage
- Fertility preferences and attitudes about family planning
- Knowledge of HIV/AIDS and other sexually transmitted infections.


### 1.7.3 Training and Fieldwork

The 1999 KDHS questionnaires were pretested in April 1999. Eight interviewers were trained during a one-week period at the Academy of Preventive Medicine of Kazakhstan. The pretest included one week of interviewing in an urban area (Almaty City) and one week in a rural area (Talgar District of Almaty Oblast). A total of 110 women were interviewed. Pretest interviewers were retained to serve as supervisors and field editors for the main survey.

Sixty-four persons, mostly physicians, were recruited as field supervisors, editors, health investigators and interviewers for the 1999 KDHS and were trained at the Academy of Preventive Medicine for three and a half weeks in June and July 1999. Male interviewers responsible for the men's interviews were trained separately. Training consisted of lectures and practice in the classroom, as well as interviewing in the field. The training of health investigators, who were responsible for anthropometric measurements (height and weight) and hemoglobin testing of women and children, was accomplished by two days in the classroom and three days in the field.

At the end of the training, the field staff were divided into seven groups according to their assignments to the survey teams. Nine people, including one supervisor, one editor, five female interviewers, one male interviewer, and one male health investigator, were selected for each of the seven survey teams.

The 1999 KDHS field staff represented various medical-research and educational institutions in Kazakhstan, including Kazakhstan State Medical University, Karaganda State Medical Academy, South Kazakhstan State Medical Academy, International Kazakh-Turkish University, National Research Center for Maternal and Child Health, National Research Center for Pediatrics and Pediatric Surgery, National Institute of Nutrition, Institute of Tuberculosis, School of Public Health, National Medical College, and Zhezkazgan Department of Health. The Academy of Preventive Medicine recruited five field coordinators who were responsible for facilitating the communication and coordination between the Academy and the interviewing teams.

All seven 1999 KDHS interviewing teams began collecting data in Almaty City on July 12, 1999. On July 26, 1999, the teams began fieldwork in the remaining survey regions of Kazakhstan. Data collection was completed on September 25, 1999.

### 1.7.4 Data Processing

Questionnaires were returned to the Academy of Preventive Medicine for data processing. The office editing staff checked that questionnaires for all selected households and eligible respondents were returned from the field. The few questions that had not been precoded (e.g., occupation) were coded at this time. Data were then entered and edited on microcomputers using the Integrated System for Survey Analysis (ISSA) package, with the data entry software translated into Russian. Office editing and data entry activities began on July 12, 1999, and were completed on October 15, 1999.

### 1.7.5 Response Rates

Table 1.1 presents informa tion on the coverage of the 1999 KDHS sample including household and individual response rates. A total of 6,301 households were selected in the sample, of which 5,960 were occupied at the time the fieldwork was conducted. The main reason for the difference was that some dwelling units that were occupied at the time of the household listing operation were either vacant or the residents were away for an extended period at the time of interviewing. Of the 5,960 occupied households, 5,844 were interviewed, yielding a household response rate of 98 percent.

In the interviewed households, 4,906 women were eligible for the individual interview (i.e., all women 15-49 years of age who were either usual residents or visitors who had spent the previous night in the household). Interviews were successfully completed with 4,800 of these women, yielding a response rate of 98 percent. The principal reason for nonresponse was a failure to find an eligible woman at home after repeated visits to the household.

| Number of households, number of interviews and response rates, Kazakstan 1999 |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Residence |  |  |  |
| Result | Urban | Rural | Total |
| WOMEN |  |  |  |
| Household interviews |  |  |  |
| Households sampled | 4,311 | 1,990 | 6,301 |
| Households found | 4,038 | 1,922 | 5,960 |
| Households interviewed | 3,939 | 1,905 | 5,844 |
| Household response rate | 97.5 | 99.1 | 98.1 |
| Individual interviews |  |  |  |
| Number of eligible women | 2,989 | 1,917 | 4,906 |
| Number of eligible women interviewed | 2,927 | 1,873 | 4,800 |
| Eligible woman response rate | e 97.9 | 97.7 | 97.8 |
| MEN |  |  |  |
| Household interviews |  |  |  |
| Households sampled | 959 | 591 | 1,550 |
| Households found | 915 | 572 | 1,487 |
| Households interviewed | 899 | 569 | 1,468 |
| Household response rate | 98.3 | 99.5 | 98.7 |
| Individual interviews |  |  |  |
| Number of eligible men | 897 | 634 | 1,531 |
| Number of eligible men interviewed | 850 | 590 | 1,440 |
| Eligible man response rate | 94.8 | 93.1 | 94.1 |

A total of 1,531 eligible men (i.e., all men 15-59 years of age who were either usual residents or visitors who had spent the previous night in the household) were identified in every third household. Interviews were successfully completed with 1,440 of these men, yielding a response rate of 94 percent.

# CHARACTERISTICS OF HOUSEHOLDS AND RESPONDENTS 

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This chapter provides a descriptive summary of the demographic and socioeconomic characteristics of the household population and the individual respondents in the 1999 Kazakhstan Demographic and Health Survey (KDHS). This information is useful for interpreting the survey findings and serves as an approximate indicator of the representativeness of the survey and of the quality of the data.

This chapter is divided into three parts. The first part deals with the characteristics of the household population in terms of age-sex composition, household size and distribution, and educational background. The second part describes the housing environment in which the respondents and their children live. The background characteristics of men age 15 to 59 years and women age 15 to 49 years are discussed in the last part of the chapter.

### 2.1 Demographic Characteristics of Households

The household questionnaire was used in the 1999 KDHS to collect data on the demographic and social characteristics of all the usual residents of the sampled household and visitors who had spent the previous night in the household. A household, as defined in the survey, refers to a person or group of persons usually living and eating together and jointly running the household's economy (de jure population). A visitor is someone who is not a usual resident of the household but slept in the household the night before the interview.

The distribution of the 1999 KDHS household population is presented in Table 2.1 and Figure 2.1, by five-year age groups according to urban-rural residence and sex. The total de facto population in the selected households was 20,203 people. In general, the survey results show that females outnumber males in Kazakhstan ( 53 and 47 percent, respectively). The sex ratio varies by age and residence. It is slightly higher in the rural than in urban areas ( 95 versus 84 males per 100 females). The ratio is as high as 103 among those below age 15 and as low as 55 among those age 65 and older.

About one-third ( 30 percent) of the population consists of children under 14 years of age, with the proportion of children in rural areas greater than in urban areas (34 and 25 percent, respectively). Starting with age group 40-44, there is a gradual decrease in the proportion of the population in each successive age group. The relatively small size of the male and female populations in age group $55-59$ is a reflection of the low birth rates during World War II (i.e., 55 to 60 years prior to the 1999 KDHS). Women 15-49 years of age and men 15-59 years of age, who are the main KDHS respondents, each constitute about one-fourth of the de facto household population ( 25 and 27 percent, respectively).

The results further indicate that 62 percent of the population of Kazakhstan is in the 15-64 age group, and the population age 65 years and older accounts for 7 percent of the total population. A distinct feature of the age distribution of the population is that the proportion of the dependent population-those younger than 15 or older than 65 -is higher in rural areas ( 41 percent) than in urban areas ( 34 percent). This difference may be attributed to rural-urban migration of the economically active population-those age 15 to 65-especially youth, in search of jobs.

| Table 2.1 Household population by age, residence, and sex |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Percent distribution of the de facto household population by age, according to sex and residence, Kazakhstan 1999 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  | Urban |  |  | Rural |  |  | Total |  |
| Age | Male | Female | Total | Male | Female | Total | Male | Female | Total |
| 0-4 | 6.7 | 5.5 | 6.1 | 9.4 | 9.6 | 9.5 | 8.2 | 7.6 | 7.9 |
| 5-9 | 9.8 | 8.1 | 8.9 | 13.3 | 12.0 | 12.6 | 11.7 | 10.1 | 10.9 |
| 10-14 | 11.7 | 8.8 | 10.1 | 13.1 | 12.5 | 12.8 | 12.5 | 10.7 | 11.6 |
| 15-19 | 8.1 | 7.8 | 7.9 | 9.7 | 8.8 | 9.2 | 9.0 | 8.3 | 8.6 |
| 20-24 | 7.4 | 6.7 | 7.0 | 7.1 | 7.1 | 7.1 | 7.2 | 6.9 | 7.1 |
| 25-29 | 7.1 | 7.7 | 7.5 | 7.7 | 6.3 | 7.0 | 7.5 | 7.0 | 7.2 |
| 30-34 | 8.0 | 6.7 | 7.3 | 6.8 | 7.5 | 7.2 | 7.3 | 7.1 | 7.2 |
| 35-39 | 8.5 | 7.7 | 8.0 | 7.5 | 7.4 | 7.4 | 7.9 | 7.5 | 7.7 |
| 40-44 | 7.5 | 7.4 | 7.4 | 6.2 | 6.2 | 6.2 | 6.8 | 6.7 | 6.8 |
| 45-49 | 5.6 | 6.2 | 5.9 | 4.6 | 4.3 | 4.5 | 5.1 | 5.2 | 5.1 |
| 50-54 | 4.7 | 6.5 | 5.7 | 3.3 | 3.9 | 3.6 | 3.9 | 5.1 | 4.6 |
| 55-59 | 4.2 | 4.5 | 4.4 | 2.7 | 2.9 | 2.8 | 3.4 | 3.7 | 3.5 |
| 60-64 | 4.6 | 5.9 | 5.3 | 3.6 | 4.5 | 4.0 | 4.0 | 5.2 | 4.6 |
| 65-69 | 2.7 | 3.7 | 3.2 | 1.8 | 2.1 | 1.9 | 2.2 | 2.9 | 2.5 |
| 70-74 | 2.6 | 3.4 | 3.0 | 1.8 | 2.7 | 2.3 | 2.1 | 3.1 | 2.6 |
| 75-79 | 0.6 | 1.7 | 1.2 | 0.7 | 1.3 | 1.0 | 0.7 | 1.5 | 1.1 |
| 80+ | 0.3 | 1.8 | 1.1 | 0.5 | 1.0 | 0.8 | 0.4 | 1.3 | 0.9 |
| Total | 1.00 .0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Number | 4,273 | 5,069 | 9,342 | 5,289 | 5,572 10 | 10,861 | 9,562 | 10,641 | 20,203 |

Figure 2.1 Population Pyramid of Kazakhstan


KDHS 1999

The percent distribution of the population by broad age groups according to the 1995 KDHS, the 1999 KDHS, the 1989 Census, and the 1999 Census is presented in Table 2.2. There appears to be a progressive decline since the 1989 Census in the proportion of the population under 15, as well as a concomitant increase in the median age. The growth of the 15-64 age group results in a declining dependency ratio, calculated as the ratio of persons in the dependent age groups to persons in the economically active age group. This slight aging of the population is the result of a continuous, albeit slow decline in fertility levels. It is interesting to compare the 1999 KDHS data with that of the 1999 Census. Correspondence of the percent distribution of the population in broad age groups between the 1999 KDHS and the 1999 Census confirms the representativeness of the KDHS sample.

### 2.2 Household Composition

Information on the size and composition of sample households by urban-rural residence is presented on Table 2.3. The head of household (as recognized by other members) and the relationship of each household member to the head was determined in each household. In general, heads of households are male (67 percent). In urban areas the proportion of households headed by men ( 58 percent) is less than the proportion in rural areas ( 78 percent).

Compared with the 1995 KDHS, the average size of a household reported in the 1999 KDHS has decreased slightly from 3.8 to 3.6 members. The 1999 KDHS results show that rural households ( 4.4 members) are larger than urban households ( 3.0 members). A large proportion of rural households ( 52 percent) consist of four to six persons, while the majority of urban households (84 percent) have one to four members.

Both the 1995 KDHS data and the 1999 KDHS data show that only 3 percent of households include foster children, i.e., children less 15 years old living with neither biological parent.

## Table 2.2 Population by age according to selected sources

Percent distribution of the de jure population by age group, according to selected sources, Kazakstan 19891999

| Age group | 1989 <br> Census | 1995 <br> KDHS | 1999 <br> Census | 1999 <br> KDHS |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| $<15$ | 31.8 | 31.0 | 28.6 | 29.9 |
| $15-64$ | 62.5 | 62.1 | 64.7 | 63.0 |
| $65+$ | 5.7 | 6.9 | 6.7 | 7.1 |
| Total | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Median age | 26.9 | 26.5 | 29.9 | 27.9 |
| Dependency ratio | 60.0 | 61.0 | 54.6 | 58.8 |



Note: Table is based on de jure members; i.e., usual residents.

Table 2.4 presents information on fosterhood and orphanhood among children under age 15. The 1995 KDHS and 1999 KDHS show a similar distribution of children under age 15 living with both parents ( 79 and 81 percent, respectively). As children get older, fewer of them live with both parents; 89 percent of children in the under-three age group live with both parents, compared with 76 percent in the 10 years or older age group. There is little difference by residence in the percentage of children living with both parents: 77 percent in urban areas and 84 percent in rural areas. Households with children living with both parents are more common in the West and South Regions (83 and 85 percent, respectively).

Thirteen percent of children under 15 are living with only their mother; of these children, 4 percent have lost their fathers and 9 percent have fathers who are still alive. There are variations in this parameter depending on age of child, sex, and residence. For example, households with children living with only their mother are more common in urban areas than in rural areas, and in Almaty City and the Central region compared with other regions.

Regarding orphanhood, about 4 percent of children under age 15 have fathers who have died, less than 1 percent have mothers who have died, and an insignificant proportion ( 0.2 percent) have lost both parents.

Table 2.4 Fosterhood and orphanhood
Percent distribution of de facto children under age 15 by their living arrangement and survival status of parents, according to child's age, sex, residence, and region, Kazakhstan 1999

| Background characteristic | Living with both parents | Living with mother but not father |  | Living with father but not mother |  | Not living with either parent |  |  |  | Missing info. on father/ mother | Total | Number of children |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Father alive | Father dead | Mother alive | Mother dead | Both alive | Father only alive | Mother only alive | Both dead |  |  |  |
| Age |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-2 | 88.8 | 6.7 | 1.2 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 2.3 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.7 | 100.0 | 941 |
| 3-5 | 85.2 | 8.8 | 1.8 | 0.6 | 0.4 | 2.5 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.7 | 100.0 | 1,035 |
| 6-9 | 81.4 | 9.2 | 3.6 | 0.4 | 0.1 | 2.8 | 0.3 | 0.2 | 0.3 | 1.7 | 100.0 | 1,864 |
| 10-14 | 75.7 | 11.0 | 6.1 | 0.6 | 1.0 | 2.6 | 0.6 | 0.4 | 0.3 | 1.8 | 100.0 | 2,463 |
| Sex |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Male | 803 | 9.6 | 4.3 | 0.6 | 0.4 | 2.7 | 0.3 | 0.2 | 0.3 | 1.4 | 100.0 | 3,196 |
| Female | 81.5 | 9.3 | 3.5 | 0.4 | 0.6 | 2.5 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.2 | 1.4 | 100.0 | 3,108 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Urban | 76.6 | 14.2 | 4.0 | 0.2 | 0.6 | 1.8 | 0.3 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 2.2 | 100.0 | 2,452 |
| Rural | 83.6 | 6.5 | 3.9 | 0.6 | 0.4 | 3.1 | 0.4 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.9 | 100.0 | 3,851 |
| Region |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Almaty City | 71.2 | 17.2 | 5.3 | 1.0 | 0.6 | 1.8 | 0.4 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 2.7 | 100.0 | 224 |
| South | 84.8 | 7.6 | 3.1 | 0.2 | 0.4 | 2.8 | 0.3 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.4 | 100.0 | 2,781 |
| West | 83.1 | 5.6 | 5.6 | 0.3 | 0.5 | 2.6 | 0.3 | 0.7 | 0.3 | 1.1 | 100.0 | 917 |
| Central | 76.2 | 14.2 | 3.1 | 0.0 | 0.8 | 2.6 | 0.1 | 0.4 | 0.1 | 2.5 | 100.0 | 415 |
| North | 76.6 | 11.5 | 4.4 | 1.3 | 0.1 | 1.8 | 0.6 | 0.0 | 0.4 | 3.2 | 100.0 | 1,281 |
| East | 75.9 | 12.9 | 4.0 | 0.3 | 1.5 | 3.3 | 0.1 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 1.6 | 100.0 | 685 |
| Total | 80.9 | 9.5 | 3.9 | 0.5 | 0.5 | 2.6 | 0.3 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 1.4 | 100.0 | 6,303 |

Note: By convention, foster children are those who are not living with either parent. This includes orphans, i.e., children both of whose parents are dead.

### 2.3 Educational Level of Household Members

The high correlation between level of education and positive health and other social indicators makes education an important variable in any study of households. Higher education, especially for women, is usually associated with greater knowledge and use of sound health practices and family planning methods.

Kazakhstan's primary and secondary educational system has three levels: primary (classes 1 through 4 , age 7 to 11 years), principal (classes 5 through 9 , age 12 to 15 years), secondary (classes 10 and 11, age 16 to 17 years). Most schools in Kazakhstan offer all three levels of primary/secondary education. The primary and principal education levels are compulsory. Students who leave school after the principal level may continue in secondary-special (vocational) education. Students who finish all three levels of primary/secondary school can continue on in higher education at universities or in academic training classes.

### 2.3.1 Educational Attainment of Household Members

Table 2.5 presents information on the highest level of education attained by the population according to sex, age, residence, and region. As the 1995 KDHS data did, the 1999 KDHS data confirm the high educational level of Kazakhstan's population with about 98 percent of men and 97 percent of women having had at least some education.

Educational attainment is slightly higher among women than men in Kazakstan, with 14 percent of female and 12 percent of male household members age 7 and older having had some higher education. There are noticeable attainment differences by residence, with urban residents being more likely than rural residents to have attended secondary-special or higher education. Educational attainment is also significantly higher in Almaty City than in other regions.

### 2.3.2 School Attendance Ratios

Table 2.6 presents net and gross attendance ratios by education level, sex, and residence. The net attendance ratio (NAR) indicates participation in schooling among children of official school age (age 7 to 10 for primary and 11 to 17 for secondary). The gross attendance ratio (GAR) indicates participation in schooling among youth age 7-24 and is expressed as a percentage of the school-aged population for that level of schooling. The GAR is nearly always higher than the NAR for the same level because the GAR includes participation by youths who may be older or younger than the official age range for that level. ${ }^{1}$ A NAR of 100 percent would indicate that all of the children in the official age range for that level are attending at that level. The GAR can exceed 100 percent if there is significant overage or underage participation at that level of schooling. The difference between these ratios indicates the incidence of overage and underage participation.

In Kazakhstan, school participation among household members of school age is high. The NAR is virtually the same among female and male youths at both the primary ( 86 percent each) and secondary levels ( 87 and 88 percent, respectively). The NAR at both the primary and secondary levels is slightly higher in urban than in rural areas. A comparison of the NAR and GAR among male and female students and urban and rural students indicates that a similar proportion of students (about 13 percent at the primary level, and at 8 percent at the secondary level) is under age or over age across groups within each level.

[^2]| Table 2.5 Educational level of the household population |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Percent distribution of the de facto household population age seven and over by highest level of education attended, and median number of years of schooling, according to selected background characteristics, Kazakhstan 1999 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | vel of education |  |  |  | Number |  |
| Background characteristic | No education | Primary/ secondary | Secondaryspecial | Higher | Missing | Total | females/ males | years of schooling |
| FEMALES |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Age |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 7-9 | 13.9 | 86.0 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 686 | 1.1 |
| 10-14 | 0.5 | 99.5 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 1,142 | 5.2 |
| 15-19 | 0.4 | 76.0 | 13.3 | 10.2 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 888 | 9.8 |
| 20-24 | 0.4 | 43.0 | 35.1 | 21.6 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 737 | 10.4 |
| 25-29 | 0.1 | 34.1 | 47.1 | 18.5 | 0.2 | 100.0 | 743 | 10.0 |
| 30-34 | 0.1 | 30.3 | 45.9 | 23.7 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 756 | 10.0 |
| 35-39 | 0.1 | 31.7 | 45.5 | 22.7 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 798 | 9.9 |
| 40-44 | 0.5 | 34.9 | 46.1 | 18.3 | 0.2 | 100.0 | 717 | 9.9 |
| 45-49 | 0.8 | 34.7 | 41.4 | 22.7 | 0.5 | 100.0 | 553 | 9.9 |
| 50-54 | 0.5 | 43.1 | 35.6 | 20.4 | 0.4 | 100.0 | 545 | 10.0 |
| 55-59 | 1.4 | 57.5 | 24.8 | 16.2 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 389 | 9.1 |
| 60-64 | 4.4 | 68.3 | 18.1 | 9.2 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 548 | 6.9 |
| $65+$ | 15.1 | 65.8 | 9.8 | 8.4 | 0.9 | 100.0 | 933 | 4.9 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Urban | 2.9 | 47.9 | 29.6 | 19.4 | 0.2 | 100.0 | 4,641 | 9.6 |
| Rural | 3.3 | 65.0 | 23.1 | 8.4 | 0.2 | 100.0 | 4,794 | 9.1 |
| Region |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Almaty City | 2.3 | 37.9 | 25.2 | 34.4 | 0.2 | 100.0 | 502 | 10.3 |
| South | 3.3 | 61.3 | 22.0 | 13.0 | 0.4 | 100.0 | 3,334 | 9.3 |
| West | 3.8 | 63.2 | 22.5 | 10.5 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 1,311 | 9.2 |
| Central | 1.9 | 49.9 | 32.5 | 15.7 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 776 | 9.5 |
| North | 2.8 | 55.0 | 30.5 | 11.6 | 0.2 | 100.0 | 2,264 | 9.1 |
| East | 3.1 | 51.8 | 30.6 | 14.4 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 1,248 | 9.4 |
| Total | 3.1 | 56.6 | 26.3 | 13.9 | 0.2 | 100.0 | 9,435 | 9.3 |
| MĀ'E $\bar{S}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Age |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 7-9 | 15.4 | 84.6 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 739 | 1.0 |
| 10-14 | 0.4 | 99.5 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 1,194 | 5.1 |
| 15-19 | 0.3 | 75.5 | 17.2 | 7.0 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 857 | 9.4 |
| 20-24 | 0.5 | 53.9 | 29.0 | 16.5 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 690 | 10.3 |
| 25-29 | 0.4 | 46.4 | 39.1 | 14.1 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 712 | 10.1 |
| 30-34 | 0.4 | 40.2 | 43.8 | 15.6 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 703 | 9.9 |
| 35-39 | 0.1 | 37.3 | 44.8 | 17.8 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 760 | 10.0 |
| 40-44 | 0.4 | 38.6 | 41.3 | 19.8 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 649 | 9.9 |
| 45-49 | 0.8 | 43.7 | 35.6 | 19.1 | 0.9 | 100.0 | 486 | 9.9 |
| 50-54 | 0.3 | 41.4 | 35.7 | 22.1 | 0.5 | 100.0 | 378 | 10.1 |
| 55-59 | 0.4 | 50.6 | 28.1 | 20.4 | 0.5 | 100.0 | 321 | 9.6 |
| 60-64 | 1.6 | 54.9 | 27.6 | 15.8 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 384 | 9.1 |
| $65+$ | 5.8 | 63.2 | 17.4 | 12.9 | 0.7 | 100.0 | 520 | 6.6 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Urban | 1.6 | 51.3 | 29.2 | 17.7 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 3,859 | 9.7 |
| Rural | 2.5 | 67.7 | 22.3 | 7.3 | 0.2 | 100.0 | 4,533 | 9.1 |
| Region |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Almaty City | 1.1 | 46.3 | 21.0 | 31.6 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 389 | 10.0 |
| South | 2.0 | 63.8 | 22.2 | 11.8 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 3,042 | 9.4 |
| West | 1.9 | 67.2 | 21.5 | 9.4 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 1,188 | 9.3 |
| Central | 1.8 | 52.5 | 32.2 | 13.4 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 654 | 9.5 |
| North | 2.2 | 57.6 | 29.8 | 10.1 | 0.4 | 100.0 | 2,035 | 9.2 |
| East | 2.9 | 56.9 | 28.3 | 11.9 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 1,083 | 9.3 |
| Total | 2.1 | 60.2 | 25.5 | 12.1 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 8,392 | 9.4 |


| Table 2.6 School attendance ratios |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Net attendance ratios (NAR) and gross attendance ratios (GAR) for the de facto household population age 7-24 years, by education level, sex, and residence, Kazakhstan 1999 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Net attendance ratio ${ }^{1}$ |  |  | Gross attendance ratio ${ }^{2}$ |  |  |
| category | Male | Female | Total | Male | Female | Total |
| PRIMARY SCHOOL |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Urban | 85.2 | 84.6 | 84.9 | 98.5 | 99.4 | 98.9 |
| Rural | 85.9 | 86.4 | 86.1 | 98.6 | 98.8 | 98.7 |
| Total | 86.0 | 86.0 | 86.0 | 99.0 | 99.0 | 99.0 |
| SECONDARY SCHOOL |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Urban | 88.5 | 89.5 | 89.0 | 97.4 | 97.6 | 97.5 |
| Rural | 85.7 | 87.8 | 86.7 | 93.8 | 96.9 | 95.3 |
| Total | 87.0 | 88.0 | 88.0 | 95.0 | 97.0 | 96.0 |
| ${ }^{1}$ The NAR for primary school is the percentage of the primary-school-age ( $7-10$ years) population that is attending primary school. The NAR for secondary school is the percentage of the secondary-school-age (11-17 years) population that is attending secondary school. By definition the NAR cannot exceed 100 percent. <br> ${ }^{2}$ The GAR for primary school is the total number of primary school students, regardless of age, expressed as the percentage of the official primary-school-age population. The GAR for secondary school is the total number of secondary school students, regardless of age, expressed as the percentage of the official secondary-school-age population. If there are significant numbers of overage and underage students at a given level of schooling, the GAR can exceed 100 percent. |  |  |  |  |  |  |

Figure 2.2 presents the age-specific attendance ratios (ASAR) for the population age 7-24, by sex. The ASAR indicates participation in schooling at any level, from primary through higher education. The closer the ASAR is to 100 percent, the higher the proportion of people of a given age attending school.

In Kazakhstan, the majority of youths of primary to secondary school age (7-17) attend school, and there are no significant differences by gender. The relatively lower age-specific attendance ratio for children age 7 (about 55 percent) reflects that many of these 7 -year-olds were only age 6 during the school year covered by the survey, and hence were not eligible to attend school at that time. From age 18 to 24 , an increasingly smaller proportion of youths attend school.

### 2.3.3 Grade Repetition and Dropout Rates

Table 2.7 shows repetition and dropout rates by school grade. In Kazakhstan, repetition rates are exceptionally low among both male and female students, and in both urban and rural areas. The dropout rate is also low through both the primary and secondary school grades. At the end of secondary school, however, about 48 percent of students leave school instead of continuing to a higher level. Youths in rural areas are less likely than youths in urban areas to make the transition to higher education: more than 61 percent of rural youths leave school after grade 11, compared with 32 percent of urban youth.

Figure 2.2 Age-Specific Attendance Ratios
(Peroentage of the De Facto Household Population Age 7-24
Enrolled in School, by Age and Sex)


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### 2.4 Housing Characteristics

Table 2.8 and Figure 2.3 provide information on selected housing characteristics by residence. This information is helpful in assessing the general socioeconomic conditions of the population. To assess the conditions in which respondents live, they were asked questions about certain characteristics of their households, including electricity, source of drinking water, type of sanitation facilities, time to water sources, handwashing facilities, type of fuel for cooking, quality of the floor, and ownership of a garden or dacha and animals.

Overall, 97 percent of the households covered in the 1999 KDHS have electricity. However, in rural areas the percentage of households with electricity has declined from 100 percent in 1995 to 94 in 1999.

More than half of the households in the 1999 KDHS sample have piped water (59 percent) and most of these households have water piped into the residence (50 percent). About one-third of households ( 30 percent) use water from an open well. A significant difference is noted between urban-rural households. In urban areas, 90 percent of households have piped water, compared with only 35 percent of households in rural areas. Open wells are among the main sources of water in rural areas ( 59 percent). Tanker trucks provide water to 5 percent of rural households. The vast majority or urban and rural households are within 15 minutes of a source of water.

One indicator of sanitary conditions is the type of toilet in a household. In Kazakhstan, a majority of households ( 52 percent) have traditional pit toilets (latrines) and 47 percent have flush toilets. In urban areas, 81 percent of households have a flush toilet, compared with 5 percent in rural areas. Ninety-four percent of rural households have traditional pit toilets.

Table 2.7 Grade repetition and dropout rates
Repetition and dropout rates for the de facto household population age 6-24 years by school grade, sex, and residence, Kazakhstan 1999

| Characteristic | School grade |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 |
| REPETITION RATE ${ }^{\prime}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Sex |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Male | 0.8 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.8 | 1.6 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Female | 0.9 | 0.6 | 0.4 | 0.0 | 0.4 | 0.0 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.3 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Urban | 0.0 | 0.8 | 0.5 | 0.2 | 1.6 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.3 |
| Rural | 1.4 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.6 | 0.6 | 0.0 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 0.9 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Total | 0.8 | 0.4 | 0.2 | 0.4 | 1.0 | 0.1 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.6 | 0.0 | 0.1 |
|  |  |  |  |  | OUT |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Sex |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Male | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.8 | 1.8 | 1.9 | 3.9 | 3.0 | 1.1 | 5.7 | 3.5 | 50.7 |
| Female | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.1 | 3.5 | 6.8 | 4.6 | 0.0 | 1.3 | 0.7 | 46.5 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Urban | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.8 | 2.3 | 4.0 | 2.7 | 0.0 | 3.3 | 2.3 | 32.1 |
| Rural | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.7 | 1.9 | 3.0 | 6.4 | 4.4 | 0.9 | 3.6 | 1.7 | 60.6 |
| Total | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.4 | 1.5 | 2.7 | 5.4 | 3.8 | 0.6 | 3.5 | 2.0 | 48.2 |

${ }^{1}$ The repetition rate is the percentage of students in a given grade that are repeating that grade.
${ }^{2}$ The dropout rate is the percentage of students in a given grade in the previous school year who are not attending school.

Regarding the type of flooring material, a large percentage (69 percent) of households have wood planks, which are slightly more common in rural households ( 89 percent) than urban households ( 52 percent). Forty-two percent of urban households and 5 percent of rural households have linoleum floors.

Handwashing facilities are available in most households: 93 percent or more use soap or another cleaning agent and have a basin for handwashing.

More than 64 percent of households in Kazakhstan use biogas and natural gas for cooking: biogas is used predominantly in rural areas ( 51 percent), and natural gas is mostly used in urban areas (42 percent). Twenty-four percent of urban households use electricity for cooking, whereas electricity is used for cooking in only 2 percent of rural households; 39 percent of rural household use firewood, straw, or tezek (dung) for cooking.

In the 1999 KDHS, households were asked if any member owned a dacha or had access to a garden from which he or she obtained fruits and vegetables during the growing season. The data indicate that the majority of urban and rural households ( 51 and 85 percent, respectively) have access to a dacha or garden. Households were also asked about ownership of animals. Seventy-four percent of rural households own animals, compared with only 13 percent in urban areas.

| Table 2.8 Housing characteristics |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Percent distribution of households by housing characteristics, according to residence, Kazakhstan 1999 |  |  |  |
| Residence |  |  |  |
| Characteristic | Urban | Rural | Total |
| Electricity |  |  |  |
| Yes | 99.4 | 93.9 | 97.0 |
| No | 0.6 | 6.1 | 3.0 |
| Total | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Source of drinking water |  |  |  |
| Piped into residence | 82.4 | 8.0 | 49.5 |
| Piped into yard/plot | 4.3 | 15.3 | 9.2 |
| Public tap | 4.1 | 12.0 | 7.6 |
| Well in residence | 0.1 | 2.6 | 1.2 |
| Well in yard/plot | 3.6 | 18.6 | 10.2 |
| Public well | 3.9 | 34.5 | 17.4 |
| Open water | 0.0 | 2.8 | 1.3 |
| Tanker truck | 1.3 | 5.2 | 3.0 |
| Bottled water | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.1 |
| Other | 0.2 | 0.9 | 0.5 |
| Total | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Time to water source |  |  |  |
| <15 minutes (\%) | 94.8 | 70.0 | 83.8 |
| Median time to source (minutes) | s) 0.0 | 4.3 | 0.0 |
| Sanitation facilities |  |  |  |
| Flush toilet | 80.8 | 4.9 | 47.2 |
| Traditional pit toilet | 19.1 | 94.1 | 52.3 |
| No facility/bush | 0.1 | 1.0 | 0.5 |
| Other | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.0 |
| Total | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Handwashing facilities |  |  |  |
| Water/tap in household | 97.9 | 88.5 | 93.7 |
| Soap or other cleaning agent | 97.0 | 87.7 | 92.9 |
| Basin in household | 97.0 | 87.1 | 92.6 |
| Type of fuel |  |  |  |
| Electricity | 24.2 | 1.8 | 14.3 |
| Natural gas | 42.0 | 4.5 | 25.4 |
| Biogas | 29.8 | 50.7 | 39.0 |
| Kerosene | 0.1 | 0.2 | 0.2 |
| Coal/lignite | 0.4 | 2.3 | 1.2 |
| Charcoal | 0.1 | 0.8 | 0.4 |
| Firewood/straw | 2.2 | 27.5 | 13.4 |
| Tezek | 0.6 | 11.1 | 5.3 |
| Other | 0.5 | 1.1 | 0.8 |
| Total | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Floor material |  |  |  |
| Earth/sand | 0.3 | 2.6 | 1.3 |
| Wood planks | 52.2 | 89.0 | 68.5 |
| Parquet/polished wood | 2.7 | 0.3 | 1.7 |
| Linoleum | 41.9 | 4.6 | 25.4 |
| Cement | 0.3 | 0.7 | 0.5 |
| Carpet | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.1 |
| Other | 2.3 | 2.6 | 2.5 |
| Missing | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Total | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Household owns |  |  |  |
| A dacha or access to garden | 50.6 | 84.5 | 65.6 |
| Animals | 12.9 | 73.7 | 39.8 |
| Number of households | 3,257 | 2,587 | 5,844 |

### 2.4.1 Household Durable Goods

Table 2.9 indicates the percentage of households owning specific durable goods by residence. Ownership of a radio or a television is a measure of access to mass media; refrigerator ownership indicates the capacity for hygienic food storage; and ownership of a bicycle, motorcycle, or private car shows the means of transportation available to the household. The availability of durable consumer goods is a rough measure of household socioeconomic status.

The results show that 41 percent of households have a radio, 92 percent have a television, 79 percent have a refrigerator, 39 percent have a telephone, 14 percent have a bicycle, and 27 percent have a car. Only 9 percent have a private motorcycle. About 4 percent of households have none of these durable goods.

Urban-rural differentials can be seen in the ownership of specific durable goods. In general, these goods are more available in urban households than in rural households. For example, more than half of urban households have a telephone ( 55 percent), while the proportion in rural areas is only 20 percent. Ninety-one percent of households in urban areas have a refrigerator, compared with 65 percent in rural areas. A higher proportion of both urban and rural households own a television (95 and 87 percent, respectively). Rural households are three times more likely to own a motorcycle than urban households due to the greater need for transportation in rural areas.

Ownership of televisions, telephones, refrigerators, and private cars has increased slightly since the 1995 KDHS. Conversely, the number of households having radios, bicycles, and motorcycles has declined.

Figure 2.3 Housing Characteristics by Residence


Table 2.9 Household durable goods
Percentage of households possessing various durable consumer goods, by residence, Kazakhstan 1999

|  | Residence |  |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Durable goods | Urban | Rural | Total |
|  |  |  |  |
| Radio | 51.6 | 28.5 | 41.4 |
| Television | 95.3 | 87.3 | 91.8 |
| Telephone | 54.9 | 19.6 | 39.3 |
| Refrigerator | 90.5 | 65.1 | 79.2 |
| Bicycle | 12.7 | 15.7 | 14.0 |
| Motorcycle | 4.8 | 14.4 | 9.1 |
| Private car | 25.8 | 27.9 | 26.7 |
| None of the above | 2.0 | 7.5 | 4.4 |
| Number of households | 3,257 | 2,587 | 5,844 |

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### 3.1 Characteristics of Survey Respondents

### 3.1.1 Background Characteristics

Table 3.1 presents the percent distribution of women and men by age, current marital status, residence, region, highest educational level, school attendance, religion, and ethnicity. Women and men were asked two questions to determine their ages: "In what month and year were you born?" and "How old were you at your last birthday?" Interviewers were trained in probing techniques for situations in which respondents did not know their age or date of birth. Results show that about 30 percent of women and 28 percent of men are in the age group 15-24 and 29 percent of women and 24 percent of men are in the age group 25-34.

Married women and men comprise large proportions of the total women and men interviewed ( 63 and 65 percent, respectively), while never-married women and men constitute 25 and 30 percent, respectively. Nine percent of women and 5 percent of men are divorced. The distribution of women by marital status is similar in both the 1995 KDHS and the 1999 KDHS.

Table 3.1 also shows that the majority of both male and female respondents are Muslims (about 56 percent). Twenty-seven percent of the female respondents and 34 percent of men said they are Christians. Kazakhs are the dominant ethnic group, with 54 percent of females and 52 percent of males belonging to this group. Russian women and men account for 30 and 32 percent of the population, respectively.

Table 3.2 shows the distribution of women and men by ethnicity, religion, and residence according to region. The data indicates that the South and West regions have a higher than average concentration of women and men of Kazakh ethnicity, while Russian men and women make up a majority of the respondents in Almaty City and the North region. Similarly, Muslims tend to be concentrated in the South, West, and East regions, while Christians are concentrated in Almaty City.

### 3.1.2 Educational Level of the Respondents

Information on educational level of the respondents by background characteristics is presented in Table 3.3. Differences in educational attainment among female and male respondents are similar to those among the adult household population, which are discussed in section 2.3.1. Twenty-percent of female respondents have had some higher education, compared with only about 14 percent of male respondents. Among both women and men, respondents of Kazakh and Russian ethnicity are more likely to have had some higher education than are respondents in other ethnic groups.

| Table 3.1 Background characteristics of respondents |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Percent distribution of women 15-49 and men 15-59 by selected background characteristics, Kazakhstan 1999 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  | Number of women |  | Weighted percent | Number of men |  |
| Background characteristic | Weighted percent | Weighted | $\begin{gathered} \text { Un- } \\ \text { weighted } \end{gathered}$ |  | Weighted | Un- weighted |
| Age 16.50701780 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 16.5 | 791 | 778 | 15.7 | 226 | 216 |
| 20-24 | 13.9 | 666 | 662 | 12.6 | 182 | 174 |
| 25-29 | 14.4 | 692 | 688 | 12.2 | 176 | 188 |
| 30-34 | 14.6 | 698 | 693 | 11.9 | 172 | 179 |
| 35-39 | 15.6 | 749 | 766 | 15.9 | 229 | 218 |
| 40-44 | 14.2 | 681 | 680 | 11.4 | 164 | 174 |
| 45-49 | 10.9 | 522 | 533 | 8.5 | 122 | 123 |
| 50-54 | 0.0 | 0 | 0 | 7.3 | 104 | 105 |
| 55-59 | 0.0 | 0 | 0 | 4.5 | 65 | 63 |
| Marital status |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Never married | 25.3 | 1,215 | 1,243 | 30.1 | 433 | 422 |
| Married/living together | 62.9 | 3,018 | 2,950 | 64.8 | 933 | 938 |
| Widowed | 3.0 | 145 | 152 | 0.5 | 8 | 10 |
| Divorced/separated | 8.8 | 422 | 455 | 4.6 | 66 | 70 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Urban | 44.4 | 2,668 | -1,873 | 54.9 45.1 | 650 | 890 |
| Region |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Almaty City | 6.1 | 291 | 636 | 6.2 | 90 | 168 |
| South | 30.3 | 1,455 | 922 | 29.6 | 426 | 281 |
| West | 13.1 | 628 | 753 | 12.7 | 182 | 264 |
| Central | 9.9 | 475 | 875 | 9.7 | 139 | 275 |
| North | 26.2 | 1,259 | 655 | 27.5 | 396 | 172 |
| East | 14.4 | 692 | 959 | 14.4 | 207 | 280 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Primary/secondary | 40.1 | 1,927 | 1,829 | 45.9 | 661 | 645 |
| Secondary-special | 39.7 | 1,908 | 1,903 | 40.3 | 581 | 568 |
| Higher | 20.1 | 965 | 1,068 | 13.8 | 198 | 227 |
| Respondent still in school |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Yes No | 15.4 84.0 | 4,034 | 4,020 | 86.2 | 1,241 | 1,245 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Muslim | 55.9 26.8 | 2,685 1,288 | 2,601 1,397 | 56.9 34.0 | 819 490 | 824 448 |
| Christian Other | 26.8 1.4 | 1,288 | 1,397 | 34.0 0.5 | 8 | 448 4 |
| Not religious | 14.4 | 693 | 688 | 8.3 | 119 | 159 |
| Don't know | 1.4 | 65 | 58 | 0.3 | 4 | 5 |
| Missing | 0.0 | 2 | 3 | 0.0 | 0 | 0 |
| Ethnicity $\quad 53.9$ 2587 $2545 \quad 51.9 \quad 747$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Russian | 30.3 | 1,454 | 1,595 | 31.9 | 460 | 468 |
| Other | 15.8 | 760 | 660 | 16.2 | 234 | 211 |
| Total | 100.0 | 4,800 | 4,800 | 100.0 | 1,440 | 1,440 |

## Table 3.2 Ethnicity, religion, and residence by region

Percent distribution of women and men by ethnicity, religion and residence, according to region, Kazakhstan 1999

| Background characteristic | Region |  |  |  |  |  | Total |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Almaty City | South | West | Central | North | East |  |
| WOMEN |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Ethnicity |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kazakh | 36.6 | 74.9 | 72.7 | 40.6 | 33.7 | 45.8 | 53.9 |
| Russian | 47.6 | 11.0 | 20.9 | 45.0 | 38.9 | 46.3 | 30.3 |
| Ukrainian | 1.9 | 1.4 | 2.1 | 5.0 | 11.6 | 1.5 | 4.6 |
| German | 1.3 | 0.6 | 0.5 | 1.9 | 6.9 | 2.9 | 2.7 |
| Korean | 2.2 | 0.9 | 0.5 | 1.5 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.6 |
| Tatar | 2.5 | 0.4 | 1.0 | 2.3 | 3.2 | 1.4 | 1.7 |
| Other | 7.9 | 10.7 | 2.3 | 3.5 | 5.7 | 1.7 | 6.1 |
| Religion |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Muslim | 41.2 | 83.2 | 71.6 | 40.9 | 34.6 | 39.7 | 55.9 |
| Christian | 45.3 | 12.9 | 20.7 | 41.6 | 35.0 | 29.1 | 26.8 |
| Other | 0.8 | 0.1 | 0.8 | 1.0 | 3.6 | 1.1 | 1.4 |
| Not religious | 11.9 | 3.4 | 5.9 | 15.8 | 24.0 | 28.1 | 14.4 |
| Don't know | 0.8 | 0.4 | 1.1 | 0.7 | 2.8 | 1.7 | 1.4 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Urban | 100.0 | 37.4 | 56.8 | 86.4 | 48.0 | 66.8 | 55.6 |
| Rural | 0.0 | 62.6 | 43.2 | 13.6 | 52.0 | 33.2 | 44.4 |
| Total | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Number of women | 291 | 1,455 | 628 | 475 | 1,259 | 692 | 4,800 |
| MEN |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Ethnicity |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kazakh | 33.3 | 76.3 | 73.7 | 36.4 | 27.8 | 47.0 | 51.9 |
| Russian | 54.8 | 9.7 | 19.7 | 40.2 | 47.3 | 43.5 | 31.9 |
| Ukrainian | 1.2 | 0.5 | 1.8 | 7.2 | 10.1 | 1.6 | 4.2 |
| German | 0.6 | 0.0 | 1.2 | 3.3 | 9.6 | 2.0 | 3.4 |
| Byelorussian | 3.0 | 1.9 | 0.9 | 1.6 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.0 |
| Other | 7.1 | 11.7 | 2.6 | 11.3 | 5.1 | 5.8 | 7.6 |
| Religion |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Muslim | 37.5 | 85.0 | 75.2 | 39.8 | 32.2 | 50.1 | 56.9 |
| Christian | 47.6 | 4.4 | 15.2 | 36.9 | 67.1 | 40.1 | 34.0 |
| Other | 0.0 | 1.0 | 0.5 | 0.0 | 0.7 | 0.0 | 0.5 |
| Not religious | 14.9 | 9.3 | 8.8 | 22.8 | 0.0 | 9.0 | 8.3 |
| Don't know | 0.0 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.4 | 0.0 | 0.8 | 0.3 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Urban | 100.0 | 37.3 | 57.1 | 86.5 | 46.6 | 64.2 | 54.9 |
| Rural | 0.0 | 62.7 | 42.9 | 13.5 | 53.4 | 35.8 | 45.1 |
| Total | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Number of men | 90 | 426 | 182 | 139 | 396 | 207 | 1,440 |

Table 3.3 Level of education
Percent distribution of women and men by the highest level of education attended, according to selected background characteristics, Kazakhstan 1999

| Background characteristic | Highest level of education |  |  | Total | Number of women/ men |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Primary/ secondary | Secondaryspecial | Higher |  |  |
| WOMEN |  |  |  |  |  |
| Age |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 76.0 | 12.9 | 11.2 | 100.0 | 791 |
| 20-24 | 41.7 | 35.1 | 23.2 | 100.0 | 666 |
| 25-29 | 31.7 | 48.8 | 19.5 | 100.0 | 692 |
| 30-34 | 28.5 | 47.9 | 23.6 | 100.0 | 698 |
| 35-39 | 29.5 | 47.1 | 23.4 | 100.0 | 749 |
| 40-44 | 34.4 | 46.9 | 18.7 | 100.0 | 681 |
| 45-49 | 33.5 | 43.4 | 23.1 | 100.0 | 522 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |
| Urban | 32.2 | 41.5 | 26.2 | 100.0 | 2,668 |
| Rural | 50.1 | 37.5 | 12.4 | 100.0 | 2,132 |
| Region |  |  |  |  |  |
| Almaty City | 25.5 | 30.7 | 43.9 | 100.0 | 291 |
| South | 48.9 | 32.7 | 18.4 | 100.0 | 1,455 |
| West | 49.4 | 34.6 | 16.0 | 100.0 | 628 |
| Central | 29.3 | 47.1 | 23.6 | 100.0 | 475 |
| North | 36.0 | 47.0 | 17.0 | 100.0 | 1,259 |
| East | 34.5 | 44.7 | 20.8 | 100.0 | 692 |
| Ethnicity |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kazakh | 43.7 | 35.4 | 20.9 | 100.0 | 2,587 |
| Russian | 32.5 | 46.7 | 20.7 | 100.0 | 1,454 |
| Other | 42.6 | 41.1 | 16.3 | 100.0 | 760 |
| Total | 40.1 | 39.7 | 20.1 | 100.0 | 4,800 |
| MEN |  |  |  |  |  |
| Age |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 75.7 | 22.3 | 2.0 | 100.0 | 226 |
| 20-24 | 50.0 | 36.8 | 13.2 | 100.0 | 182 |
| 25-29 | 36.8 | 50.6 | 12.6 | 100.0 | 176 |
| 30-34 | 35.4 | 47.4 | 17.2 | 100.0 | 172 |
| 35-39 | 29.9 | 54.5 | 15.6 | 100.0 | 229 |
| 40-44 | 35.7 | 49.5 | 14.8 | 100.0 | 164 |
| 45-49 | 47.1 | 32.7 | 20.3 | 100.0 | 122 |
| 50-54 | 46.0 | 34.7 | 19.3 | 100.0 | 104 |
| 55-59 | 62.8 | 16.7 | 20.6 | 100.0 | 65 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |
| Urban | 38.4 | 43.1 | 18.5 | 100.0 | 790 |
| Rural | 55.0 | 36.9 | 8.1 | 100.0 | 650 |
| Region |  |  |  |  |  |
| Almaty City | 35.1 | 31.0 | 33.9 | 100.0 | 90 |
| South | 53.3 | 36.0 | 10.7 | 100.0 | 426 |
| West | 51.4 | 36.8 | 11.8 | 100.0 | 182 |
| Central | 38.8 | 43.5 | 17.7 | 100.0 | 139 |
| North | 44.1 | 44.2 | 11.7 | 100.0 | 396 |
| East | 38.8 | 46.8 | 14.4 | 100.0 | 207 |
| Ethnicity |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kazakh | 51.4 | 34.2 | 14.4 | 100.0 | 747 |
| Russian | 35.3 | 51.0 | 13.7 | 100.0 | 460 |
| Other | 49.1 | 39.0 | 11.9 | 100.0 | 234 |
| Total | 45.9 | 40.3 | 13.8 | 100.0 | 1,440 |

### 3.1.3 Occupation

Table 3.4 shows the occupational profiles of currently employed women by background characteristics. Almost half of all employed women are in professional, technical, or managerial occupations, 26 percent are in sales or service occupations, and 10 percent each are in the skilled manual and unskilled manual occupations. Agricultural occupations account for only 4 percent of women's employment. The professional, technical, or managerial occupations dominate the occupational profiles of employed women at all ages except age 15-19. Women age 15-19 are more likely to be in sales or service occupations than in a professional, technical, or managerial occupation. The professional, technical, and managerial occupations also account for 40 percent or more of employed women in almost all of the other subgroups of the population.

| Table 3.4 Occupation: women |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Percent distribution of employed women by current occupation, according to background characteristics, Kazakhstan 1999 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Background characteristic | Agriculture | Prof./ tech./ manag. | Sales, services | Skilled manual | Unskilled manual | Other | Missing | Total | Number of women |
| Age |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 11.2 | 26.3 | 47.5 | 4.2 | 6.2 | 4.7 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 61 |
| 20-24 | 3.9 | 47.9 | 31.0 | 6.9 | 7.3 | 1.0 | 2.2 | 100.0 | 186 |
| 25-29 | 3.4 | 44.5 | 30.3 | 10.8 | 9.4 | 0.8 | 0.8 | 100.0 | 308 |
| 30-34 | 4.8 | 52.3 | 27.3 | 9.3 | 5.6 | 0.1 | 0.4 | 100.0 | 328 |
| 35-39 | 2.7 | 49.2 | 26.4 | 7.8 | 12.2 | 1.3 | 0.5 | 100.0 | 412 |
| 40-44 | 3.2 | 45.6 | 23.5 | 13.4 | 13.5 | 0.0 | 0.9 | 100.0 | 363 |
| 45-49 | 3.3 | 57.2 | 17.5 | 9.6 | 11.8 | 0.4 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 323 |
| Marital status |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Never married | 3.6 | 50.5 | 28.3 | 9.4 | 5.4 | 1.8 | 1.0 | 100.0 | 316 |
| Married/living together | 4.0 | 49.7 | 25.0 | 9.1 | 11.1 | 0.5 | 0.5 | 100.0 | 1,302 |
| Widowed | 2.7 | 50.5 | 21.4 | 13.1 | 12.2 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 89 |
| Divorced/separated | 3.0 | 41.9 | 31.3 | 11.0 | 10.7 | 0.7 | 1.4 | 100.0 | 273 |
| No. of living children |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0 | 4.0 | 48.5 | 30.9 | 7.5 | 6.5 | 1.8 | 0.8 | 100.0 | 390 |
| 1-2 | 2.6 | 49.5 | 26.8 | 10.6 | 9.3 | 0.4 | 0.8 | 100.0 | 1,138 |
| 3-4 | 5.1 | 49.8 | 21.4 | 9.0 | 13.6 | 0.7 | 0.5 | 100.0 | 375 |
| $5+$ | 12.2 | 35.7 | 18.6 | 8.9 | 24.6 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 78 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Urban | 1.1 | 48.1 | 28.4 | 12.2 | 8.4 | 0.7 | 1.0 | 100.0 | 1,315 |
| Rural | 8.9 | 50.1 | 21.9 | 4.6 | 13.7 | 0.7 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 665 |
| Region |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Almaty City | 0.6 | 43.2 | 38.4 | 5.7 | 6.5 | 1.2 | 4.5 | 100.0 | 154 |
| South | 9.1 | 53.2 | 23.5 | 8.1 | 6.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 544 |
| West | 3.1 | 51.0 | 26.7 | 7.4 | 11.1 | 0.3 | 0.4 | 100.0 | 230 |
| Central | 2.5 | 50.2 | 20.4 | 14.1 | 11.2 | 0.6 | 1.0 | 100.0 | 204 |
| North | 0.7 | 46.2 | 25.1 | 11.5 | 15.3 | 0.7 | 0.4 | 100.0 | 534 |
| East | 2.2 | 45.8 | 30.5 | 9.7 | 9.1 | 2.1 | 0.6 | 100.0 | 314 |
| Education |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Primary/secondary | 9.3 | 20.7 | 33.5 | 15.0 | 20.2 | 1.1 | 0.2 | 100.0 | 512 |
| Secondary-special | 2.5 | 45.8 | 29.0 | 11.2 | 10.1 | 0.8 | 0.6 | 100.0 | 877 |
| Higher | 0.6 | 77.6 | 16.0 | 2.6 | 1.7 | 0.2 | 1.3 | 100.0 | 591 |
| Ethnicity |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kazakh | 3.9 | 53.7 | 25.0 | 6.3 | 9.8 | 0.7 | 0.5 | 100.0 | 945 |
| Russian | 1.8 | 46.2 | 25.2 | 13.8 | 11.4 | 0.5 | 1.2 | 100.0 | 711 |
| Other | 7.2 | 40.2 | 32.4 | 10.2 | 8.5 | 1.2 | 0.3 | 100.0 | 323 |
| Total | 3.7 | 48.8 | 26.3 | 9.6 | 10.2 | 0.7 | 0.7 | 100.0 | 1,979 |

The largest variation in the proportion of women in these occupations is found by level of education. Only 21 percent of women who have completed only secondary school are in professional, technical, or managerial occupations compared with 78 percent of women with higher education. Accordingly, women who have only completed secondary school are also more likely than women in the other educational categories to be in the agricultural occupations and each of the other types of occupations. As expected, agricultural occupations are of negligible importance in urban areas; however, even in rural areas they account for only 9 percent of working women. Agricultural occupations, however, account for 9-12 percent of employment among the youngest women, women with five or more children, women with the lowest levels of education, and women living in the South region. Sales and service occupations are more common among working women in Almaty City than in any other region of the country. These occupations are relatively less common among the oldest women, women with five or more children, and women in the highest educational category than among women in other subgroups. Notably, unskilled manual occupations, which account for 10 percent of all employed women, are at least twice as common among women who have five or more children and women who have completed only secondary school.

Fifty-nine percent of men age 15-59 are currently employed (Table 3.5). This percentage increases from 10 percent for men age 15-19 to 78 percent for men age 35 to 39 and then declines to 41 percent for men age $55-59$. Urban men are more likely than rural men to be currently employed and men in Almaty City and the Central region are more likely to be employed than men in other regions. In the West region, only 47 percent of men age 15-59 are currently employed. Men's employment increases with education and is higher among Russian men than among Kazakh men or men of other ethnicities. In contrast with employed women, half of whom are in professional, technical, or managerial occupations, about half of employed men are in skilled manual occupations. Agricultural occupations ( 15 percent) are the next most common occupations among men. Only 13 percent of men are in professional, technical, and managerial occupations. Rural men are most likely to be in agricultural occupations, whereas urban men are most likely to be in skilled manual occupations. The proportion of men in professional, technical, or managerial occupations increases with age from 0 percent for age 15-19 to 7 percent for age 20-24 and 25 percent for age 55-59.

Almost half of men with a higher education are in these occupations compared with 4-7 percent of men who have completed only secondary or secondary-special education. By region, agricultural occupations are most common in the South region (30 percent); professional, technical, and managerial occupations are most common in the West region ( 21 percent); sales and service occupations are most common in Almaty City; skilled manual occupations are most common in the Central region; and unskilled manual occupations are most common in the East region. The occupational profile of Russian men is less diversified than that of Kazakh men and men of other ethnicities. For example, 61 percent of Russian men are in the skilled manual occupations, and 10 percent or less are in each of the remaining occupations. In contrast, 37 percent of Kazakh men are in the skilled manual occupations; 19 percent are in agricultural occupations; 16 percent are in professional, technical, or managerial occupations; and the remaining are distributed about equally between sales and services and unskilled manual occupations.

### 3.1.4 Access to Mass Media

Tables 3.6 and 3.7 show the percentage of female and male respondents exposed to different types of mass media by age, urban-rural residence, region, highest educational level, and ethnicity. It is important to know which subgroups are more or less likely to be reached by the media for purposes of planning programs intended to spread information about health, nutrition, and family planning.

| Table 3.5 Occupation: men |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Percent distribution of employed men by current occupation, according to background characteristics, Kazakhstan 1999 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Background characteristic | Employed | Not employed | Total | Number of men | Agriculture | Prof./ tech./ manag. | Sales, services | Skilled manual | Unskilled manual | Other | Missing | Total | Number of men |
| Age |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 10.1 | 89.9 | 100.0 | 226 | 15.8 | 0.0 | 10.2 | 38.1 | 22.0 | 4.5 | 9.3 | 100.0 | 23 |
| 20-24 | 53.2 | 46.8 | 100.0 | 182 | 18.3 | 7.0 | 10.0 | 49.4 | 13.3 | 1.0 | 1.0 | 100.0 | 97 |
| 25-29 | 70.3 | 29.7 | 100.0 | 176 | 21.0 | 8.6 | 13.8 | 46.8 | 8.7 | 1.1 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 124 |
| 30-34 | 72.8 | 27.2 | 100.0 | 172 | 12.1 | 13.9 | 17.5 | 43.0 | 12.1 | 1.3 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 125 |
| 35-39 | 77.6 | 22.4 | 100.0 | 229 | 20.7 | 12.2 | 11.7 | 45.3 | 9.1 | 0.0 | 0.9 | 100.0 | 178 |
| 40-44 | 73.9 | 26.1 | 100.0 | 164 | 5.5 | 18.2 | 8.6 | 52.0 | 12.7 | 2.6 | 0.4 | 100.0 | 121 |
| 45-49 | 72.6 | 27.4 | 100.0 | 122 | 11.4 | 15.3 | 9.4 | 53.6 | 8.0 | 1.6 | 0.6 | 100.0 | 89 |
| 50-54 | 64.5 | 35.5 | 100.0 | 104 | 12.4 | 20.7 | 2.7 | 54.7 | 9.4 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 67 |
| 55-59 | 41.3 | 58.7 | 100.0 | 65 | 20.4 | 25.2 | 1.9 | 46.7 | 5.8 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 27 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Urban | 65.5 | 34.5 | 100.0 | 790 | 1.6 | 15.2 | 14.4 | 57.8 | 8.4 | 1.8 | 0.9 | 100.0 | 518 |
| Rural | 51.2 | 48.8 | 100.0 | 650 | 36.6 | 10.2 | 5.6 | 33.0 | 14.1 | 0.2 | 0.4 | 100.0 | 333 |
| Region |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Almaty City | 78.6 | 21.4 | 100.0 | 90 | 2.3 | 14.4 | 22.0 | 42.4 | 12.1 | 3.8 | 3.0 | 100.0 | 71 |
| South | 53.3 | 46.7 | 100.0 | 426 | 29.8 | 11.8 | 9.5 | 37.1 | 11.9 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 227 |
| West | 46.5 | 53.5 | 100.0 | 182 | 5.2 | 20.5 | 12.6 | 49.4 | 8.9 | 1.7 | 1.7 | 100.0 | 85 |
| Central | 78.1 | 21.9 | 100.0 | 139 | 4.8 | 12.7 | 9.5 | 59.9 | 9.8 | 1.9 | 1.4 | 100.0 | 109 |
| North | 58.5 | 41.5 | 100.0 | 396 | 14.7 | 12.6 | 6.3 | 56.7 | 8.6 | 1.1 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 232 |
| East | 61.7 | 38.3 | 100.0 | 207 | 13.4 | 12.0 | 16.0 | 44.1 | 13.2 | 0.7 | 0.6 | 100.0 | 128 |
| Education |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Primary/secondary | 45.9 | 54.1 | 100.0 | 661 | 21.7 | 4.4 | 6.5 | 50.0 | 16.0 | 0.8 | 0.7 | 100.0 | 304 |
| Secondary-special | 68.9 | 31.1 | 100.0 | 581 | 14.3 | 7.2 | 11.2 | 56.1 | 8.6 | 1.7 | 0.9 | 100.0 | 400 |
| Higher | 73.8 | 26.2 | 100.0 | 198 | 4.7 | 48.1 | 19.6 | 22.2 | 5.1 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 147 |
| Ethnicity |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kazakh | 50.1 | 49.9 | 100.0 | 747 | 19.2 | 15.6 | 13.3 | 36.9 | 13.7 | 0.8 | 0.5 | 100.0 | 374 |
| Russian | 71.9 | 28.1 | 100.0 | 460 | 9.5 | 10.2 | 8.0 | 60.6 | 9.3 | 1.7 | 0.7 | 100.0 | 330 |
| Other | 62.3 | 37.7 | 100.0 | 234 | 18.3 | 14.1 | 11.5 | 48.6 | 5.8 | 0.7 | 1.1 | 100.0 | 146 |
| Total | 59.0 | 41.0 | 100.0 | 1,440 | 15.3 | 13.3 | 10.9 | 48.1 | 10.6 | 1.1 | 0.7 | 100.0 | 850 |

About 62 percent of women and 51 percent of men read newspapers or magazines at least once a week, 90 percent of women and men watch television weekly, and 28 percent of women and 31 percent of men listen to the radio every day. An approximately equal proportion of female and male respondents ( 6 and 7 percent, respectively) have no access to mass media. The proportion of people with no access to mass media is higher in rural areas than in urban areas. Female and male respondents in Almaty City are most likely to be exposed to all three types of mass media (48 and 64 percent, respectively ). Education clearly has an impact on exposure to mass media. Female and male respondents with higher their education are more likely to have been exposed to mass media. The higher the educational level, the more often women watch television, read newspapers, and listen to the radio. Russian women are more likely to be exposed to mass media ( 30 percent) than Kazakh women ( 16 percent) and women of other ethnic groups ( 23 percent).

### 3.2 Women's Status

Information on the situation of women of reproductive age (15-49) is useful for understanding the context of reproduction and health in Kazakhstan, and provides indicators of the status of women and of women's empowerment. While education and employment can contribute to women's empowerment, direct measures of women's empowerment allow an evaluation of women's perception of their own rights and their degree of control over their own lives.


### 3.2.1 Employment and Cash Earnings

The 1999 KDHS asked a series of questions to determine women's employment status over the 12 months preceding the survey. For women who were employed, information was also obtained on the nature of employment including occupation and type of earnings, if any.

Like education, employment can be a source of empowerment for women, especially if it puts them in control of income. However, measuring women's employment is difficult. The difficulty arises largely because some of the work that women do, especially work on family farms, in family businesses, or in the informal sector, is often not perceived by women themselves as employment, and hence not reported as such. To avoid underestimating women's employment, the 1999 KDHS
asked women several questions to ascertain their employment status. First, women were asked, "Aside from your own housework, are you currently working?" Women who answered "no" to this question were then asked, "As you know, some women take up jobs for which they are paid in cash or in kind. Others sell things, have a small business, or work on the family farm or in the family business. Are you currently doing any of these things or any other work?" Women who answered "no" to this question were asked, "Have you done any work in the last 12 months?" Women are considered currently employed if they answered "yes" to either of the first two questions. Women who answered "yes" to the third question are not currently employed but have worked in the past 12 months. All employed women were asked their occupation, whether they were paid in cash, in kind, or not paid at all, and whether their work was done at home or away from home.


Table 3.8 shows that, in Kazakhstan, almost half ( 46 percent) of all women age 15-49 were either currently employed or had worked during the 12 months preceding the survey. The majority of the women who had worked at all during the 12 months preceding the survey, were also working at the time of the survey. Only 11 percent of women who had worked during the past 12 months (5 percent of all women) were not currently working. Few women age 15-19 were employed during the past 12 months ( 9 percent), which is expected because women at these ages are still likely to be enrolled in school. Among women age 20 and older, who are more likely to have completed their studies, age is positively associated with the probability of being employed. One-third of women age 20-24 were employed at some time in the past 12 months compared with two-thirds of women age 45-49.

[^3]|  | Employment |  |  | Currently working |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Background characteristic | No work last 12 months | Worked <br> last 12 Currently months working | Missing | Total | Number of women | Earned cash | Did not earn cash | Total | Number of women |


| Age |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 15-19 | 90.7 | 1.5 | 7.7 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 791 | 71.8 | 28.2 | 100.0 | 61 |
| 20-24 | 66.5 | 5.5 | 27.9 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 666 | 94.9 | 5.1 | 100.0 | 186 |
| 25-29 | 48.9 | 6.7 | 44.5 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 692 | 92.9 | 7.1 | 100.0 | 308 |
| 30-34 | 46.3 | 6.7 | 46.9 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 698 | 90.9 | 9.1 | 100.0 | 328 |
| 35-39 | 38.6 | 5.7 | 55.0 | 0.7 | 100.0 | 749 | 90.2 | 9.8 | 100.0 | 412 |
| 40-44 | 40.4 | 6.2 | 53.3 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 681 | 88.6 | 11.4 | 100.0 | 363 |
| 45-49 | 33.5 | 4.6 | 61.8 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 522 | 88.3 | 11.7 | 100.0 | 323 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Urban | 44.1 | 6.4 | 49.3 | 0.3 | 100.0 | 2,668 | 93.6 | 6.4 | 100.0 | 1,315 |
| Rural | 65.0 | 3.8 | 31.2 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 2,132 | 82.9 | 17.1 | 100.0 | 665 |
| Region |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Almaty City | 37.9 | 9.1 | 52.8 | 0.2 | 100.0 | 291 | 93.8 | 6.3 | 100.0 | 154 |
| South | 58.4 | 4.2 | 37.4 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 1,455 | 86.0 | 14.0 | 100.0 | 544 |
| West | 59.5 | 4.0 | 36.6 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 628 | 93.3 | 6.7 | 100.0 | 230 |
| Central | 50.3 | 6.0 | 42.9 | 0.8 | 100.0 | 475 | 94.8 | 5.2 | 100.0 | 204 |
| North | 52.2 | 5.2 | 42.4 | 0.2 | 100.0 | 1,259 | 87.5 | 12.5 | 100.0 | 534 |
| East | 48.1 | 6.4 | 45.3 | 0.3 | 100.0 | 692 | 93.7 | 6.3 | 100.0 | 314 |
| Education |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Primary/secondary | 69.0 | 4.4 | 26.5 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 1,927 | 83.0 | 17.0 | 100.0 | 512 |
| Secondary-special | 47.5 | 6.2 | 46.0 | 0.3 | 100.0 | 1,908 | 90.5 | 9.5 | 100.0 | 877 |
| Higher | 33.7 | 4.9 | 61.2 | 0.2 | 100.0 | 965 | 95.4 | 4.6 | 100.0 | 591 |
| Ethnicity |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kazakh | 59.8 | 3.6 | 36.5 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 2,587 | 91.3 | 8.7 | 100.0 | 945 |
| Russian | 43.5 | 7.4 | 48.9 | 0.2 | 100.0 | 1,454 | 91.0 | 9.0 | 100.0 | 711 |
| Other | 50.4 | 6.8 | 42.5 | 0.3 | 100.0 | 760 | 84.0 | 16.0 | 100.0 | 323 |
| Total | 53.4 | 5.2 | 41.2 | 0.2 | 100.0 | 4,800 | 90.0 | 10.0 | 100.0 | 1,979 |

The likelihood of employment increases sharply with education. For example, the proportion of women currently employed increases from 27 percent for women who have completed only secondary school to 46 percent for women with secondary-special education and 61 percent for women with higher education. Women in urban areas are more likely than women in rural areas to be employed, and women's employment also varies substantially by region. The proportion of women employed at any time in the past 12 months is highest in Almaty City ( 62 percent) and
lowest in the South and West regions ( 41 to 42 percent). Russian women are more likely to be employed than either Kazakh women or women of other ethnic groups.

While the large majority of women who were currently working did earn cash for their work, one in ten women did not earn cash. Employed women age 15-19 are most likely to be working without earning cash ( 28 percent). Among older women, however, the proportion working without earning cash doubles with age, from 5 percent for women age $20-24$ to 11-12 percent for women age 40-49. By background characteristics other than age, the proportion of women working, but not earning cash is never greater than about 17 percent for any subgroup of working women and is highest for rural women, women who have completed only secondary school, women in the South and North regions, and women of non-Kazakh and non-Russian ethnicities.

### 3.2.2 Decision-making Regarding Use of Cash Earnings

Employed women who earn cash for their work were asked who the main decisionmaker is regarding use of their earnings. This information allows the assessment of women's control over their own earnings. Table 3.9 shows how women's control over their earnings varies by background characteristics. The majority of women ( 59 percent) decide the use of their earnings alone, and more than one-third ( 36 percent) do so jointly with their partner or someone else. Only 5 percent of women have no part in deciding how their earnings are used. The likelihood that women decide the use of their earnings alone increases with women's age. This likelihood is higher in urban than in rural areas and in the Central region and Almaty City than in other regions. It does not vary greatly by education or ethnicity, but is much higher among unmarried women ( 83 percent) than among currently married women ( 47 percent). Notably, women in the West region of the country and currently married women are the only subgroups in which less than half of the women decide the use of their earnings alone. In both of these subgroups, women are about as likely to decide the use of their earnings alone as they are to do so with their husband or partner.

To assess the relative importance of women's earnings in meeting household expenditures, the 1999 KDHS asked employed women who earned cash the following question: "On average, how much of your household's expenditure do your earnings pay for: almost none, less than half, about half, more than half, or all?" This information not only allows an evaluation of the relative importance of women's earnings in the household economy, but also has implications for women's status. It is expected that the greater the share of women's earnings in meeting household expenditures, the more likely it is that women's employment empowers them, at least within their own households. The variation by background characteristics in the extent to which women's earnings pay for their households' expenditures (for women who are employed and earn cash) is also shown in Table 3.9.

From Table 3.9 it is clear that when women work for cash, their earnings are critical to meeting household expenditures in most cases. Specifically, in the case of 65 percent of women who earn cash, the woman's earnings alone pay for at least half of her household's expenditures, and in the case of 27 percent of women, the woman's earnings alone pay for all of her household's expenditures. This suggests that one-tenth of all households in Kazakhstan are solely dependent on the earnings of women for all their expenditures, and in one-fourth of households at least half the expenditures are paid for by women's earnings alone. For women who earn cash, the likelihood that their earnings alone pay for all of the household's expenditures rises by women's age, from 3 percent for women age 15-19 to 33-34 percent for women age 40-49. This proportion varies from 23 percent in the North region to 39 percent in the West region and is much higher for unmarried women ( 37 percent) than for currently married women ( 22 percent). It does not vary much however by urban-rural residence, education level, or ethnic group. With the exception of two subgroups of women (women age 15-19 and 20-25), the earnings of at least 60 percent of women in all other subgroups are used to pay for half or more of the household's expenditures.

| Table 3.9 Decision of use of earnings and contribution of earnings to household expenditures |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Percent distribution of women receiving cash earnings by person who decides how earnings are used, and by proportion of household expenditures met by earnings, according to background characteristics, Kazakhstan 1999 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  | Person who decides how earnings are used |  |  |  |  |  | Proportion of household expenditures met by earnings |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Background characteristic | Respondent | Partner | Jointly with partner | Someone else | Jointly with someone | Missing | Total | Almost none | Less <br> than half | About half | More than half | All | None, her income is all saved | Don't know missing | Total | Number of women |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $15-19$ | 50.8 | 0.0 | 2.0 | 26.1 | 21.0 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 15.1 | 46.6 | 28.7 | 5.6 | 2.7 | 1.2 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 43 |
| 20-24 | 58.0 | 2.0 | 15.4 | 12.6 | 11.7 | 0.3 | 100.0 | 15.7 | 31.0 | 26.6 | 8.7 | 15.9 | 2.1 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 176 |
| 25-29 | 59.2 | 1.9 | 30.6 | 3.0 | 5.2 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 5.0 | 27.7 | 29.4 | 13.4 | 23.0 | 1.2 | 0.3 | 100.0 | 286 |
| 30-34 | 59.2 | 2.3 | 34.2 | 2.9 | 1.5 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 3.4 | 25.2 | 25.0 | 15.9 | 29.0 | 1.1 | 0.5 | 100.0 | 298 |
| 35-39 | 55.1 | 0.9 | 40.9 | 0.5 | 2.2 | 0.4 | 100.0 | 4.0 | 29.7 | 25.4 | 11.9 | 28.6 | 0.4 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 372 |
| 40-44 | 60.6 | 1.4 | 35.5 | 0.9 | 1.6 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 3.3 | 26.9 | 20.1 | 16.1 | 33.5 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 322 |
| 45-49 | 66.2 | 1.1 | 29.1 | 1.0 | 2.7 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 3.8 | 32.7 | 20.0 | 10.6 | 32.5 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 285 |
| Marital status |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Not married | 83.4 | 0.0 | 0.7 | 5.5 | 10.4 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 7.0 | 24.7 | 19.8 | 9.3 | 37.2 | 1.9 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 610 |
| Currently married | 46.9 | 2.3 | 48.0 | 2.1 | 0.6 | 0.2 | 100.0 | 4.5 | 31.5 | 26.7 | 14.8 | 22.3 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 1,171 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Urban | 63.0 | 1.5 | 29.4 | 2.1 | 3.8 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 5.0 | 28.9 | 24.3 | 12.6 | 28.2 | 1.0 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 1,231 |
| Rural | 51.4 | 1.4 | 37.1 | 5.8 | 4.1 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 6.1 | 29.7 | 24.6 | 13.6 | 25.6 | 0.1 | 0.3 | 100.0 | 551 |
| Region |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Almaty City | 67.3 | 1.9 | 22.2 | 3.5 | 5.1 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 7.0 | 27.3 | 21.3 | 14.0 | 28.9 | 1.6 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 144 |
| South | 54.6 | 2.8 | 31.4 | 7.7 | 3.5 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 7.4 | 33.9 | 24.0 | 10.5 | 23.9 | 0.0 | 0.3 | 100.0 | 468 |
| West | 45.8 | 0.9 | 45.8 | 3.9 | 3.6 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 5.0 | 29.3 | 19.0 | 7.0 | 38.8 | 0.9 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 214 |
| Central | 73.1 | 1.4 | 20.8 | 2.4 | 1.8 | 0.6 | 100.0 | 4.3 | 26.4 | 23.2 | 11.0 | 33.9 | 1.3 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 193 |
| North | 61.8 | 0.9 | 32.3 | 0.4 | 4.6 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 5.3 | 27.5 | 27.2 | 15.9 | 23.3 | 0.9 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 468 |
| East | 60.4 | 0.7 | 33.3 | 0.7 | 4.6 | 0.2 | 100.0 | 2.1 | 26.8 | 26.6 | 17.2 | 26.2 | 0.9 | 0.3 | 100.0 | 294 |
| Education |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Primary/secondary | 56.3 | 2.1 | 32.3 | 3.9 | 5.2 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 6.4 | 32.6 | 26.8 | 8.2 | 25.4 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 100.0 | 424 |
| Secondary-special | 61.4 | 0.7 | 32.6 | 2.3 | 2.9 | 0.2 | 100.0 | 6.1 | 29.3 | 21.6 | 12.7 | 29.5 | 0.7 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 794 |
| Higher | 58.9 | 2.1 | 30.3 | 4.2 | 4.5 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 3.4 | 26.4 | 26.3 | 16.7 | 26.0 | 1.2 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 563 |
| Ethnicity |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kazakh | 55.9 | 1.9 | 33.3 | 5.4 | 3.3 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 6.2 | 31.3 | 24.1 | 11.6 | 26.1 | 0.7 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 863 |
| Russian | 63.5 | 0.9 | 30.5 | 0.8 | 4.2 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 3.9 | 28.8 | 24.8 | 13.2 | 28.0 | 1.2 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 648 |
| Other | 60.9 | 1.6 | 30.1 | 2.3 | 5.1 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 6.2 | 23.0 | 24.2 | 16.3 | 29.9 | 0.0 | 0.5 | 100.0 | 271 |
| Total | 59.4 | 1.5 | 31.8 | 3.3 | 3.9 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 5.3 | 29.2 | 24.4 | 12.9 | 27.4 | 0.8 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 1,782 |

Table 3.10 shows whether working women's control over their own earnings varies by the extent to which their earnings help to meet household expenditures. Among currently married women who work for cash, there is almost no variation in the likelihood that a woman alone will decide how her earnings are to be used by the extent to which her earnings pay for household expenditures. Irrespective of the proportion of household expenditures paid for by the woman's own earnings, only 44-49 percent of women decide how their earnings are to be used alone. Among unmarried women, however, the percentage who decide alone how their earnings are to be used increases from 75 percent for women whose earnings pay for almost none of their household's expenditures to 93 percent for women whose earnings pay for all of their household's expenditures.

| Table 3.10 Control over earnings by contribution to household expenditures |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Percent distribution of women receiving cash earnings by person who decides how earnings are used and marital status, according to how much of household expenditures are met by earnings, Kazakhstan 1999 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Contribution of earnings to household's expenditures | Married/living together |  |  |  |  |  |  | Number <br> of <br> women | Not married/not living together |  |  |  | Number of women |
|  |  | Jointly w | vith: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Self only | Husband/ partner | Someone else | Husband partner only | one else only | Missing | Total |  | Self only | someone else | one else only | Total |  |
| Almost none | 43.6 | 51.5 | 0.0 | 3.0 | 1.9 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 52 | 74.6 | 11.5 | 13.9 | 100.0 | 43 |
| Less than half | 48.1 | 46.3 | 1.1 | 1.6 | 2.6 | 0.4 | 100.0 | 369 | 74.2 | 13.6 | 12.3 | 100.0 | 151 |
| About half | 44.0 | 49.0 | 0.9 | 3.6 | 2.4 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 313 | 79.3 | 16.9 | 3.9 | 100.0 | 121 |
| More than half | 49.0 | 45.1 | 0.0 | 4.0 | 1.6 | 0.3 | 100.0 | 173 | 80.8 | 14.4 | 4.9 | 100.0 | 57 |
| All | 48.3 | 50.6 | 0.0 | 0.3 | 0.8 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 261 | 93.1 | 6.0 | 0.9 | 100.0 | 227 |
| None, her income is all saved | 35.3 | 64.7 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 100 | 2.0 | 100.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 11 |
| Don't know/missing | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 1 | 100.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 1 |
| Total | 46.9 | 48.0 | 0.6 | 2.3 | 2.1 | 0.2 | 100.0 | 1,171 | 83.4 | 11.1 | 5.5 | 100.0 | 610 |

### 3.2.3 Household Decision-making

Besides information on women's education, employment status, and earnings control, the 1999 KDHS also obtained information on some additional direct measures of women's autonomy and empowerment. Questions were asked on women's participation in household decision-making, on their acceptance of wife beating, and on their opinions about when a wife should be able to refuse sex to her husband. These data provide insight into women's control over their environment and their attitudes toward traditional gender roles, which are two important aspects of women's empowerment relevant to understanding women's demographic and health behaviors.

In order to assess women's decision-making autonomy, women were asked about their participation in five different decisions: on the respondent's own health care; on making large household purchases; on making household purchases for daily needs; on visits to family, friends, or relatives; and on what food to cook each day. Table 3.11 shows the percent distribution of women according to who in the household usually has the final say on each of these decisions.

Women are most likely to make decisions alone on matters related to their own health care (68 percent) and to what food to cook each day ( 69 percent). They are less likely to make other types of household decisions alone: decisions about daily purchases ( 56 percent); decisions about visits to family, friends, or relatives (28 percent); and decisions about large household purchases ( 25 percent). Only 18 percent of women do not participate at all in making decisions about their

| Table 3.11 Household decision-making |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Percent distribution of women by person who makes specific household decisions and marital status, according to type of decision, Kazakhstan 1999 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Married/living together |  |  |  |  |  | Number women | Not married/not living together |  |  |  |  | All women |  |  |  |  |
| Type of decision | Self only |  | Jointly someelse | Husband partner only | Someone else only | Total |  | Self only | Jointly someone else | Someone else only | Total | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Number } \\ & \text { of } \\ & \text { women } \end{aligned}$ | Self only | Jointly someone else | Someone else only | Total | Number of women |
| Respondent's own health | 72.9 | 16.7 | 1.2 | 6.9 | 2.2 | 100.0 | 3,018 | 59.3 | 7.1 | 33.5 | 100.0 | 1,782 | 67.9 | 13.9 | 18.2 | 100.0 | 4,800 |
| Large household purchases | 20.9 | 59.8 | 2.8 | 9.6 | 6.8 | 100.0 | 3,018 | 31.3 | 14.1 | 54.6 | 100.0 | 1,782 | 24.7 | 44.6 | 30.6 | 100.0 | 4,800 |
| Daily household purchases | 66.9 | 21.1 | 1.9 | 3.7 | 6.4 | 100.0 | 3,018 | 37.4 | 10.9 | 51.6 | 100.0 | 1,782 | 56.0 | 18.5 | 25.5 | 100.0 | 4,800 |
| Visits to family, friends, or relatives | 17.8 | 68.4 | 2.6 | 5.8 | 5.4 | 100.0 | 3,018 | 44.4 | 16.9 | 38.7 | 100.0 | 1,782 | 27.7 | 50.9 | 21.4 | 100.0 | 4,800 |
| What food to cook each day | 86.2 | 6.4 | 2.5 | 1.2 | 3.7 | 100.0 | 3,018 | 40.6 | 14.4 | 45.0 | 100.0 | 1,782 | 69.2 | 11.0 | 19.8 | 100.0 | 4,800 |

own health care (alone or jointly with someone else), but almost one-third (31 percent) do not participate in decisions about making large household purchases. Unmarried women are much less likely than currently married women to be involved in making each of the different decisions. The proportion of currently married women who do not participate in decision-making ranges from 5 percent for decisions about what food to cook to 16 percent for decisions about making large household purchases, whereas the proportion of unmarried women who do not participate in decision-making ranges from 34 percent for decisions about the woman's own health care to 55 percent for decisions about making large household purchases.

Table 3.12 shows how participation in decision-making varies for all women by background characteristics. The proportion of women who participate in all five decisions increases more or less steadily with age, from 12 percent for women age 15-19 to 86 percent for women age 40-44 and then declines slightly to 82 percent for women age 45-49. More than nine out of ten women age 35 and older participate in each of the specific decisions. Among younger women, however, participation varies greatly by type of decision. Never-married women are the least likely to participate in all decisions, and widowed women are the most likely to do so. Almost one-third of never-married women do not participate in any of these decisions.

Women with one or two children are more likely than women with no children or three or more children to participate in all decisions. Furthermore, among women who have children, decision-making power decreases sharply with number of children. Women who have five or more children are four times less likely than women with one or two children to participate in any of the decisions. Urban women are slightly more likely than rural women to participate in decision making; however, the size of the urban-rural differential varies by the type of decision. For example, the percentages of urban and rural women participating in decisions about what food to cook are similar (81 and 80 percent, respectively), but 74 percent of urban women participate in decisions about large purchases compared with 64 percent of rural women. Participation in all decisions varies from $74-75$ percent for women in the Central and East regions to only 47 percent for women in the South region. Almost one in five women in the South region does not participate in any decision at all. Although women who have completed only secondary school are less likely than women with more education to participate in all the decisions, women with a higher education are somewhat less likely than women with secondary-special education to do so. Kazakh women are much less likely than Russian women and women of other ethnicities to participate in decisionmaking. As expected women who work, especially women who work for cash, are more likely to participate in all decisions than women who do not work.

Women may have a say in some decisions but not in others. To assess a woman's overall decision-making autonomy, the total number of decisions she participates in (i.e., she alone has the final say or does so jointly with her husband or someone else) are added together. Figure 3.1 gives the distribution of all women according to the number of decisions in which they participate. In Kazakhstan, the majority of women participate in all five of the decisions, and 9 percent do not participate in any of the decisions. Nine percent also participate in only four decisions. The remainder of the women are distributed about equally among those who participate in only one, only two, and only three decisions.

### 3.2.4 Women's Agreement with Reasons for Wife Beating

Attitudes that see wife beating as "justified" are indicative of women's lower status both absolutely and relative to men. To assess women's acceptance of wife beating, the 1999 KDHS asked all women the following: "Sometimes a husband is annoyed or angered by things which his wife does. In your opinion, is a husband justified in hitting or beating his wife in the following situations. . ."

| Table 3.12 Final say in household decisions |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Percentage of women who say they alone or jointly have the final say in specific household decisions, according to background characteristics, Kazakhstan 1999 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Alone or jointly has final say in: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Background characteristic | Own health care | Making large purchases | Making daily purchases | Visits to family, friends, relatives | Food to cook daily | Has final say in specified decisions | Has final say in no specified decisions | Number of women |
| Age |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 40.9 | 17.0 | 20.8 | 35.1 | 30.7 | 12.2 | 42.2 | 791 |
| 20-24 | 73.8 | 48.1 | 54.5 | 64.6 | 68.3 | 37.9 | 11.7 | 666 |
| 25-29 | 90.5 | 74.2 | 81.6 | 86.8 | 90.3 | 67.5 | 1.6 | 692 |
| 30-34 | 91.1 | 81.1 | 89.1 | 87.4 | 94.2 | 72.5 | 1.1 | 698 |
| 35-39 | 93.6 | 91.4 | 95.4 | 95.0 | 96.9 | 84.7 | 0.6 | 749 |
| 40-44 | 95.9 | 92.1 | 94.7 | 95.7 | 96.0 | 85.8 | 0.5 | 681 |
| 45-49 | 94.7 | 92.4 | 95.6 | 93.8 | 93.7 | 82.4 | 0.1 | 522 |
| Marital status |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Never married | 52.8 | 27.2 | 30.4 | 46.8 | 39.4 | 20.4 | 32.3 | 1,215 |
| Married/ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| living together | 90.9 | 83.5 | 89.9 | 88.8 | 95.1 | 75.3 | 1.2 | 3,018 |
| Widowed | 99.0 | 93.4 | 94.2 | 97.4 | 92.7 | 89.1 | 0.4 | 145 |
| Divorced/separated | 94.6 | 81.3 | 84.4 | 90.7 | 86.9 | 76.2 | 2.1 | 422 |
| No. of living children |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0 | 75.2 | 58.7 | 62.0 | 69.5 | 69.7 | 49.9 | 14.7 | 856 |
| 1-2 | 86.3 | 76.7 | 80.5 | 85.2 | 85.6 | 69.1 | 5.3 | 2,563 |
| 3-4 | 79.6 | 62.8 | 71.9 | 73.4 | 78.7 | 57.5 | 10.8 | 1,092 |
| 5+ | 69.6 | 60.4 | 67.0 | 66.7 | 69.3 | 51.0 | 20.5 | 290 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Urban | 85.6 | 73.6 | 77.1 | 83.2 | 80.8 | 65.6 | 7.4 | 2,668 |
| Rural | 77.1 | 64.0 | 71.1 | 72.8 | 79.5 | 57.3 | 11.3 | 2,132 |
| Region |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Almaty City | 88.8 | 74.1 | 78.3 | 86.2 | 82.2 | 63.5 | 3.3 | 291 |
| South | 68.3 | 55.8 | 63.3 | 64.3 | 73.6 | 47.3 | 17.9 | 1,455 |
| West | 79.5 | 70.8 | 72.7 | 77.3 | 79.4 | 63.2 | 9.7 | 628 |
| Central | 91.0 | 79.0 | 80.9 | 87.6 | 85.1 | 73.5 | 4.8 | 475 |
| North | 87.5 | 73.8 | 80.6 | 84.5 | 83.9 | 66.5 | 4.2 | 1,259 |
| East | 92.7 | 79.9 | 82.2 | 89.7 | 83.9 | 74.6 | 4.7 | 692 |
| Education |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Primary/secondary | 71.5 | 56.9 | 62.6 | 67.0 | 69.8 | 49.7 | 16.7 | 1,927 |
| Secondary-special | 88.9 | 79.7 | 84.2 | 87.5 | 89.4 | 72.3 | 3.6 | 1,908 |
| Higher | 88.4 | 73.9 | 78.8 | 84.1 | 82.8 | 65.9 | 5.0 | 965 |
| Ethnicity |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kazakh | 76.6 | 63.6 | 69.7 | 71.9 | 77.3 | 56.0 | 12.7 | 2,587 |
| Russian | 89.6 | 77.6 | 80.5 | 87.8 | 83.1 | 70.6 | 5.0 | 1,454 |
| Other | 84.6 | 73.2 | 78.8 | 83.6 | 84.5 | 65.3 | 4.8 | 760 |
| Employment |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Not employed | 74.9 | 59.8 | 65.9 | 70.6 | 74.6 | 53.2 | 13.5 | 2,821 |
| Working for cash | 92.7 | 83.4 | 87.3 | 90.7 | 88.7 | 75.2 | 2.2 | 1,782 |
| Working, not for cash | 82.3 | 78.8 | 80.8 | 82.5 | 83.8 | 66.9 | 9.6 | 198 |
| Total | 81.8 | 69.4 | 74.4 | 78.6 | 80.2 | 61.9 | 9.1 | 4,800 |

The five situations presented to women for their opinion were as follows: she burns the food, she argues with him, she goes out without telling him, she neglects the children, and she refuses to have sex with him. The first five columns in Table 3.13 show how acceptance of wife beating varies for each reason. The sixth column gives the percentage of women who feel that wife beating is justified for at least one of the given reasons.

Figure 3.1 Women's Participation in Decision-making


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Among women age 15-49, agreement with the different reasons justifying wife beating is relatively low, varying from only 4 percent for "she burns the food" to 26 percent for "she neglects the children." Nevertheless, 30 percent of women age 15-49 agreed with at least one reason for which a husband would be justified in beating his wife. There is little variation by age in the proportion of women agreeing with each of the different reasons; nevertheless, the data do suggest that younger women (age 15-34) are somewhat more likely than older women (age 35-49) to agree with at least one reason justifying wife beating. Currently married women more than women in any other marital status are likely to agree with each of the reasons. The proportion agreeing with at least one reason justifying wife beating ranges from 32 percent for currently married women to 22 percent for women who are divorced or separated. Women who have one or two children are less likely than women with no children or three or more children to agree with any of the reasons justifying wife beating. Furthermore, among women who have children, women's acceptance of wife beating increases sharply with the number of children from 25 percent for women with one or two children to 44 percent for women with five or more children. Rural women are more than twice as likely as urban women to agree with each of the different reasons for wife beating.

The level of agreement with wife beating varies greatly by region. Only 10 percent of women in the Central region agree with at least one reason for wife beating compared with 48 percent in the South region. Women in the South region are also more likely than women in most other subgroups to agree with each of the reasons for wife beating. Agreement falls sharply with education level. Those who have completed only secondary school are more than twice as likely (39 percent) as those who have a higher education (17 percent) to agree with at least one reason. Agreement with each of the reasons for wife beating is highest among Kazakh women and lowest among Russian women. Only 14 percent of Russian women agree with at least one reason for wife beating compared with 40 percent of Kazakh women. As expected, women who work for cash are much less likely to agree with each of the different reasons for wife beating. However, women who work but do so without earning cash are likely to agree with each of the reasons for wife beating than unemployed women or women who work for cash.

| Table 3.13 Women's agreement with reasons for wife beating |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Percentage of women who agree with specific reasons for justifying wife beating and percentage who agree with at least one reason or none of the reasons, according to background characteristics, Kazakhstan 1999 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Background characteristic | Burns the <br> food | Argues With | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Goes out } \\ & \text { without } \\ & \text { telling } \\ & \text { him } \end{aligned}$ | Neglects the children | Refuses sexual relations | At least one selected reason | $\begin{aligned} & \text { All } \\ & \text { reasons } \end{aligned}$ | Total |
| Age |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 3.1 | 11.4 | 9.8 | 28.0 | 3.7 | 32.4 | 1.0 | 791 |
| 20-24 | 4.2 | 11.1 | 10.6 | 26.6 | 6.7 | 30.8 | 1.2 | 666 |
| 25-29 | 5.5 | 11.1 | 12.0 | 25.1 | 5.1 | 29.2 | 2.6 | 692 |
| 30-34 | 6.0 | 13.2 | 13.9 | 31.0 | 7.3 | 35.6 | 2.8 | 698 |
| 35-39 | 2.9 | 8.9 | 10.4 | 23.8 | 4.7 | 26.3 | 1.5 | 749 |
| 40-44 | 4.4 | 10.9 | 10.4 | 22.7 | 6.8 | 27.1 | 1.6 | 681 |
| 45-49 | 4.2 | 12.8 | 11.8 | 25.1 | 7.9 | 28.6 | 2.0 | 522 |
| Current marital status |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Never married | 3.5 | 7.9 | 7.6 | 23.9 | 3.6 | 27.7 | 1.0 | 1,215 |
| Married/ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| living together | 4.8 | 13.3 | 13.5 | 27.9 | 7.2 | 32.3 | 2.2 | 3,018 |
| Widowed | 3.7 | 8.5 | 7.2 | 23.7 | 5.2 | 25.5 | 0.8 | 145 |
| Divorced/separated | 3.1 | 7.5 | 7.1 | 20.5 | 3.4 | 22.4 | 1.6 | 422 |
| No. of living children |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0 | 4.7 | 10.3 | 10.6 | 22.8 | 5.7 | 28.4 | 1.9 | 856 |
| 1-2 | 2.9 | 8.0 | 8.0 | 22.6 | 4.7 | 25.4 | 1.2 | 2,563 |
| 3-4 | 6.0 | 17.5 | 16.1 | 34.1 | 7.2 | 38.6 | 2.0 | 1,092 |
| 5+ | 8.6 | 19.2 | 23.2 | 37.3 | 11.5 | 43.9 | 5.5 | 290 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Urban | 2.8 | 7.3 | 6.8 | 18.6 | 4.3 | 21.5 | 1.5 | 2,668 |
| Rural | 6.2 | 16.2 | 16.8 | 35.5 | 7.8 | 40.9 | 2.2 | 2,132 |
| Region |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Almaty City | 2.2 | 4.6 | 3.5 | 13.4 | 1.6 | 15.6 | 0.6 | 291 |
| South | 7.6 | 22.3 | 25.9 | 40.5 | 11.7 | 47.8 | 4.0 | 1,455 |
| West | 8.4 | 14.7 | 13.6 | 25.4 | 8.3 | 31.4 | 2.8 | 628 |
| Central | 1.1 | 2.7 | 0.4 | 9.0 | 1.0 | 9.9 | 0.0 | 475 |
| North | 1.6 | 4.5 | 3.0 | 26.1 | 2.4 | 27.9 | 0.1 | 1,259 |
| East | 1.5 | 5.9 | 4.0 | 13.7 | 3.0 | 15.5 | 0.9 | 692 |
| Mother's education |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Primary/Secondary | 6.4 | 15.5 | 15.7 | 33.7 | 8.0 | 38.9 | 2.5 | 1,927 |
| Secondary-special | 3.5 | 9.9 | 9.8 | 24.4 | 5.5 | 27.6 | 1.6 | 1,908 |
| Higher | 1.7 | 5.5 | 5.1 | 14.3 | 2.4 | 17.4 | 0.8 | 965 |
| Ethnicity |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kazakh | 6.4 | 16.6 | 17.0 | 34.1 | 8.6 | 39.6 | 2.6 | 2,587 |
| Russian | 1.2 | 2.3 | 2.3 | 11.8 | 1.9 | 13.6 | 0.4 | 1,454 |
| Other | 3.0 | 10.2 | 8.6 | 26.4 | 4.4 | 29.1 | 1.7 | 760 |
| Employment |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Not employed | 4.7 | 12.7 | 12.3 | 29.2 | 6.3 | 33.3 | 1.8 | 2,821 |
| Working for cash | 3.5 | 8.4 | 9.0 | 20.5 | 4.7 | 24.3 | 1.8 | 1,782 |
| Working not for cash | 5.8 | 17.0 | 15.7 | 32.2 | 9.9 | 35.8 | 2.0 | 198 |
| Number of decisions in which she has final say |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-1 | 5.1 | 16.2 | 15.8 | 34.3 | 6.8 | 38.7 | 2.1 | 760 |
| 2-3 | 6.4 | 13.1 | 13.1 | 31.0 | 8.4 | 37.6 | 3.0 | 656 |
| 4-5 | 3.7 | 9.8 | 9.8 | 23.3 | 5.2 | 26.7 | 1.5 | 3,384 |
| Total | 4.3 | 11.3 | 11.2 | 26.1 | 5.9 | 30.1 | 1.8 | 4,800 |

As expected agreement with at least one reason for wife beating falls with the level of women's participation in household decision-making, from 39 percent for women who participate in no more than one household decision to 27 percent for women who participate in all or almost all (4 to 5) household decisions. The lower level of agreement with wife beating among women who are working for cash and among those who participate in all or most household decisions reinforces the idea that even normative acceptance of wife beating decreases with women's empowerment. Nevertheless, that a substantial proportion of even the women who earn cash and the women who have a relatively high degree of decision-making autonomy agree with at least one reason for wife beating testifies to the strength of norms that promote the acceptance of wife beating.

### 3.2.5 Women's Agreement with Reasons for Refusing Sexual Relations

The extent of control women have over when and with whom they have sex has important implications for demographic and health outcomes. The 1999 KDHS included a question on whether the respondent thinks that a wife is justified in refusing to have sex with her husband under four circumstances: she is tired or not in the mood, she has recently given birth, she knows her husband has sex with other women, and she knows her husband has a sexually transmitted disease. These four circumstances for which women's opinions are sought were chosen because they are effective in combining issues regarding women's rights and women's health. Table 3.14 shows the percentage of women who say that women are justified in refusing sex to their husband for specific reasons by background characteristics. The table also shows how women's opinions on refusing sex to their husband vary with their decision-making autonomy and their attitude toward wife beating, both important aspects of women's empowerment.

Overall, 69 percent of women in Kazakhstan agree that women can refuse sex to their husband for all four reasons. Specifically, 79 percent said that women can refuse to have sex with their husband if they are tired or not in the mood, 92 percent said that they can refuse if they have recently given birth, 83 percent said that they can refuse if the husband has sexual relations with other women, and 91 percent said that they can refuse if the husband has the AIDS virus. The proportion of women agreeing with a woman's right to refuse sex varies little by age for women age 20-49; however, women age 15-19 are less likely than all older women to agree with each of the reasons for women refusing sex to their husband. Sixteen percent of women age 15-19 do not agree with any of the reasons for refusing sex. Furthermore, 13 percent of never-married women and 7 percent of women with no children (both groups that are likely to be composed of younger women) do not agree with any of the reasons for refusing sex. Among ever-married women, divorced women followed by currently married women are more likely than widowed women to agree with all four reasons.

Among women with children, the likelihood that a woman will agree with each of the four reasons decreases with the number of children. Urban women are somewhat more likely than rural women to agree with the different reasons for refusing sex. The variation by region is much greater; 65 percent of women in the South region agree with all four reasons compared with 78 percent of women in the Central region. Variation in agreement with all selected reasons is also as expected by education, employment, women's participation in household decision-making, and with the level of women's agreement with wife beating. Women with secondary-special and higher education, women working for cash, women who participate in most household decisions (all 4-5 decisions asked about) and women who disagree with all of the reasons for wife beating are more likely than other women in these subgroups to agree with all four reasons for refusing sex. Indeed, agreement with each of the four reasons varies more by the number of decisions women participate in than by most other background variables. For example, 59 percent of women who have the lowest level of participation in household decisions ( $0-1$ decisions only) agree with all four reasons for refusing sex compared with 72 percent of women who have the highest level of participation in household decisions (4-5 decisions). These results also suggest that the different aspects of women's empowerment, as measured by the indicators being used here, strongly reinforce each other.

Table 3.14 Women's agreement with reasons for refusing sexual relations
Percentage of women who agree with specific reasons for justifying a wife refusing to have sexual relations with her husband, according to background characteristics, Kazakhstan 1999

| Background characteristic | Reason justifying wife refusing sexual relations with husband |  |  |  | Allspecified reasons | No specified reasons | Number of women |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Wife tired or not in the mood | Wife bave recently | Wife knows husband has sexual relations with other women | Wife knows her husband has the AIDS virus |  |  |  |
| Age |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 67.8 | 77.2 | 75.7 | 81.4 | 61.4 | 15.7 | 791 |
| 20-24 | 79.7 | 91.4 | 84.3 | 91.0 | 70.7 | 4.3 | 666 |
| 25-29 | 81.6 | 93.9 | 85.3 | 93.5 | 70.6 | 2.7 | 692 |
| 30-34 | 82.1 | 95.5 | 84.6 | 93.1 | 71.2 | 1.9 | 698 |
| 35-39 | 82.5 | 95.6 | 84.9 | 94.6 | 72.9 | 1.3 | 749 |
| 40-44 | 78.4 | 93.7 | 83.6 | 92.1 | 68.7 | 3.3 | 681 |
| 45-49 | 80.2 | 96.0 | 82.9 | 94.3 | 70.0 | 1.4 | 522 |
| Marital status |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Never married | 70.6 | 80.0 | 77.6 | 84.5 | 63.6 | 12.9 | 1,215 |
| Married/living together | 81.5 | 95.1 | 84.1 | 93.4 | 70.8 | 2.0 | 3,018 |
| Widowed | 77.4 | 95.4 | 82.1 | 89.8 | 66.9 | 3.4 | 145 |
| Divorced/separated | 82.0 | 97.2 | 90.4 | 94.6 | 74.8 | 0.9 | 422 |
| No. of living children |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0 | 76.2 | 88.9 | 81.0 | 88.9 | 67.6 | 6.9 | 856 |
| 1-2 | 80.6 | 94.0 | 84.6 | 92.5 | 70.5 | 3.1 | 2,563 |
| 3-4 | 78.0 | 89.1 | 81.9 | 91.6 | 69.1 | 5.4 | 1,092 |
| 5+ | 72.0 | 85.9 | 77.4 | 84.7 | 62.5 | 9.4 | 290 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Urban | 80.7 | 92.8 | 84.4 | 91.9 | 71.5 | 4.0 | 2,668 |
| Rural | 76.2 | 89.8 | 81.1 | 90.3 | 66.3 | 5.5 | 2,132 |
| Region |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Almaty City | 81.4 | 91.7 | 82.1 | 89.6 | 68.7 | 4.7 | 291 |
| South West | 74.0 78.2 | 88.3 86.5 | 79.3 81.9 | 89.4 85.4 | 64.8 71.4 | 7.6 8.8 | 1,455 628 |
| Central | 83.5 | 96.1 | 91.1 | 94.6 | 77.6 | 1.5 | 475 |
| North | 76.9 | 94.4 | 84.3 | 94.8 | 66.3 | 1.2 | 1,259 |
| East | 87.7 | 94.3 | 83.7 | 91.9 | 76.1 | 3.3 | 692 |
| Education |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Primary/secondary | 74.9 | 87.0 | 79.4 | 87.8 | 65.4 | 7.5 | 1,927 |
| Secondary-special | 81.2 | 95.3 | 85.8 | 93.5 | 72.2 | 2.9 | 1,908 |
| Higher | 81.1 | 93.1 | 84.2 | 93.3 | 70.9 | 2.6 | 965 |
| Ethnicity |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kazakh | 76.9 | 88.6 | 80.8 | 89.7 | 67.8 | 6.7 | 2,587 |
| Russian | 82.1 | 95.4 | 85.9 | 92.9 | 72.2 | 2.1 | 1,454 |
| Other | 78.3 | 94.0 | 84.3 | 92.9 | 68.4 | 2.8 | 760 |
| Employment |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Not employed | 77.1 | 89.2 | 81.6 | 89.8 | 67.6 | 6.1 | 2,821 |
| Working for cash | 82.0 | 95.1 | 85.5 | 93.9 | 73.0 | 2.3 | 1,782 |
| Working, not for cash | 71.4 | 91.4 | 78.3 | 86.3 | 58.8 | 5.4 | 198 |
| Number of decisions in which women has final say |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-1 | 63.7 | 74.7 | 72.3 | 79.2 | 58.6 | 18.5 | 760 |
| 2-3 | 78.4 | 89.9 | 84.1 | 92.4 | 67.1 | 3.2 | 656 |
| 4-5 | 82.1 | 95.6 | 85.1 | 93.6 | 72.0 | 1.9 | 3,384 |
| Number of reasons wife beating justified |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-1 | 69.2 | 88.1 | 75.9 | 88.6 | 62.7 | 7.0 | 195 |
| $2-3$ $4-5$ | 74.2 80.9 | 89.3 92.5 | 80.4 84.3 | 90.0 91.8 | 62.1 72.2 | 4.4 4.7 | 1,249 3,356 |
| Total | 78.7 | 91.5 | 82.9 | 91.2 | 69.2 | 4.7 | 4,800 |

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All women interviewed in the 1999 KDHS were asked to provide their complete pregnancy histories. For the data to accurately describe the fertility status of the population of Kazakhstan, it was important for women to report all their pregnancies. To encourage complete reporting of all such events, women were asked separate questions about pregnancies that had ended in live births, induced abortions, miscarriages, and stillbirths. An accounting of live births was achieved by asking separately about the number of sons and daughters living with the respondent, the number living elsewhere, and the number who had died. An accounting of all pregnancies was double-checked by interviewers probing for intervening pregnancies in all pregnancy intervals of four or more years.

Each woman's pregnancy history was obtained in reverse chronological order, from the most recent pregnancy to the respondent's first pregnancy. The outcome of each pregnancy was recorded (live birth, abortion, miscarriage, or stillbirth), as was the date the pregnancy ended. For each pregnancy that resulted in a live birth, information was collected on the sex of the child, survival status, and age (of living children) or age at death (of deceased children).

This chapter presents the findings pertaining to live births. Because ethnicity is a major determinant of fertility in Kazakhstan, fertility data are shown separately for ethnic Kazakhs and ethnic Russians, as well as the overall rates for all of Kazakhstan. Findings pertaining to pregnancy loss are presented in another chapter.

### 4.1 Current Fertility

Age-specific and total fertility rates presented in Table 4.1 and Figure 4.1 were calculated directly from the information obtained in the pregnancy history. The reported rates refer to the three-year period preceding the survey (mid-1996 to mid-1999). Age-specific fertility rates were calculated by dividing the number of births to women in a five-year age interval by the number of woman-years lived in that age interval. ${ }^{1}$ The total fertility rate (TFR) is a construct of the agespecific rates computed by summing the age-specific rates and multiplying by five. The TFR is expressed per woman and is calculated to provide a snapshot view of current fertility levels. The TFR is interpreted as the number of children a woman would have in her lifetime if she experienced the currently observed age-specific fertility rates during her childbearing years.

Table 4.1 presents two other summary measures of fertility: the general fertility rate (GFR) and the crude birth rate (CBR). The GFR represents the annual number of births in the population per 1,000 women age $15-44$. The crude birth rate is the annual number of births in the population per 1,000 population. These measures are calculated from the birth history data for the three-year period preceding the survey and the age and sex distribution of the household population.

[^4]
## Table 4.1 Current fertility

Age-specific and cumulative fertility rates and the crude birth rate for the three years preceding the survey, by residence and ethnicity, Kazakhstan 1999

|  | Residence |  |  | Ethnicity |  |  |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Age |  | Urban | Rural |  | Kazakh | Russian | Other |$\quad$ Total

Note: Rates are for the period 1-36 months preceding the survey. Rates for age group 45-49 may be slightly biased due to truncation. Rates in parentheses indicate that one or more of the component age-specific rates is based on fewer than 250 woman-years of exposure.
TFR: Total fertility rate, expressed per woman
GFR: General fertility rate (births divided by number of women 15-44), expressed per 1,000 women
CBR: Crude birth rate, expressed per 1,000 population

Figure 4.1 Age-specific Fertility Rates by Ethnicity


Fertility among urban women is lower than it is among rural women throughout all the childbearing years, resulting in a TFR among urban women that is one child lower than among rural women. If fertility were to remain constant at current levels, a woman in Kazakhstan would give birth to an average of 2.1 children; urban women would have 1.5 , while rural women would have 2.7 children. The peak childbearing years for both urban and rural women are during the early twenties (age 20-24). No respondents age 45-49 reported having a live birth in the three years preceding the survey.

Ethnic Kazakhs and ethnic Russians both experience their peak childbearing years during their early twenties. However, ethnic Kazakhs achieve a TFR that is higher ( 2.5 children per woman) than the overall TFR of 2.1, and ethnic Russians achieve a TFR that is lower ( 1.4 children per woman) than the overall TFR. The lower TFR of ethnic Russians is a result of lower age-specific rates at every age, with the exception of women age 15-19, among whom ethnic Russians exhibit slightly higher fertility than do ethnic Kazakhs.

Table 4.2 and Figure 4.2 present TFRs for the three years preceding the survey by background characteristics. It can be seen that regional variation in fertility is substantial, varying by nearly two children. The TFR is lowest among women in Almaty City (1.0 children per woman) and the East region (1.4); intermediate in the Central region (1.6), North region (1.7), and West region (2.3); and highest in the South region (2.9).

| Table 4.2 Fertility by background characteristics |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Total fertility rate for the three years preceding the survey, percentage currently pregnant and mean number of children ever born to women age 40-49, by selected background characteristics, Kazakhstan 1999 |  |  |  |
| Background characteristic | Total fertility rate | Percentage currently pregnant | Mean number of children ever born to women age 40-49 |
| Residence |  |  |  |
| Urban | 1.52 | 2.51 | 2.40 |
| Rural | 2.66 | 3.36 | 3.71 |
| Region |  |  |  |
| Almaty City | 1.00 | 1.73 | 1.94 |
| South | 2.86 | 4.75 | 3.81 |
| West | 2.26 | 2.20 | 3.22 |
| Central | 1.59 | 2.30 | 2.25 |
| North | 1.72 | 2.28 | 2.62 |
| East | 1.42 | 1.58 | 2.57 |
| Education |  |  |  |
| Primary/secondary | 2.42 | 3.38 | 3.62 |
| Secondary-specia | 2.06 | 2.61 | 2.77 |
| Higher | 1.51 | 2.44 | 2.11 |
| Ethnicity |  |  |  |
| Kazakh | 2.50 | 2.95 | 3.71 |
| Russian | 1.38 | 2.49 | 2.12 |
| Other | 1.63 | 3.42 | 2.67 |
| Total | 2.05 | 2.89 | 2.92 |
| ${ }^{1}$ Women age 15-49 years |  |  |  |

# Figure 4.2 Total Fertility Rate by Background Characteristics 



KDHS 1999
Women in Kazakhstan exhibit a childbearing pattern, observed in many societies, of decreasing fertility with increasing education. The TFR declines from 2.4 children per woman among women with primary or secondary schooling to 2.1 among women with secondary-special schooling and then down to 1.5 children per woman among those with higher education.

Table 4.2 shows the percent of women who report themselves to be currently pregnant. Because women at early stages of pregnancy may not yet know they are pregnant, this proportion may be underestimated. Percentages are generally low, commensurate with fertility that is relatively low overall. The percentage of pregnant women generally exhibits the same patterns by background characteristics as the TFR.

Trends in fertility can be inferred by comparing the TFR (a measure of current fertility) with the mean number of children ever born (CEB) to women age 40-49 (a measure of completed fertility). If there had been no change in fertility for three or more decades before the survey, the TFR and CEB would be nearly the same. That the TFR ( 2.1 children per woman) is lower than the CEB (2.9) indicates that fertility has declined in Kazakhstan over the past three decades. The TFR is lower than the CEB among both urban and rural women, and in every region, education level, and ethnic group. More recent changes in fertility need not be inferred; they may be analyzed directly by comparing 1999 KDHS data with other available data sources.

### 4.2 Fertility Trends

The most direct way of observing fertility trends is to examine changes in age-specific rates over time. Table 4.3 compares age-specific fertility rates (ASFRs) from the 1999 KDHS (which were shown in Table 4.1) with ASFRs reported in the 1989 Census and the 1995 KDHS. The data provide evidence of continual declines in fertility over the past decade. The TFR declined from 2.9 children per woman for the period of 1988-1989 (Darsky and Dworak, 1993) to 2.5 for the period 19921995 (National Institute of Nutrition and Macro International Inc., 1996) to 2.1 for the period 19961999.

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Table 4.3 Trends in fertility
Age-specific fertility rates and total fertility rates for Kazakh, Russian, and total populations, 1989 Census, 1995 KDHS, and 1999 KDHS, Kazakhstan 1999
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| Age of woman | Kazakh |  |  | Russian |  |  | Total ${ }^{1}$ |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\begin{aligned} & \hline 1989 \\ & \text { Census } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} 1995 \\ \text { KDHS } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 1999 \\ \text { KDHS } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline 1989 \\ & \text { Census } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 1995 \\ & \text { KDHS } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 1999 \\ & \text { KDHS } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline 1989 \\ & \text { Census } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 1995 \\ & \text { KDHS } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 1999 \\ & \text { KDHS } \end{aligned}$ |
| 15-19 | 31 | 37 | 30 | 59 | 97 | 41 | 45 | 64 | 40 |
| 20-24 | 232 | 229 | 202 | 182 | 125 | 121 | 215 | 190 | 167 |
| 25-29 | 208 | 180 | 129 | 110 | 73 | 75 | 159 | 136 | 106 |
| 30-34 | 140 | 100 | 88 | 63 | 27 | 23 | 96 | 67 | 64 |
| 35-39 | 76 | 60 | 39 | 27 | 15 | 8 | 45 | 35 | 24 |
| 40-44 | 27 | 14 | 12 | 7 | 1 | 8 | 14 | 7 | 9 |
| 45-49 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Total fertility rate | 3.58 | 3.11 | 2.50 | 2.24 | 1.69 | 1.38 | 2.88 | 2.49 | 2.05 |

Note: Single-year period rates are used for the census; three-year period rates are used for the KDHS.
${ }^{1}$ Includes Kazakh, Russian, and other ethnic groups.

Figure 4.3 shows that fertility has fallen in almost every age group. During the decade between the 1989 Census and the 1999 KDHS, the TFR declined by 29 percent, almost one child per woman. The fertility decline has been exhibited by both ethnic Kazakh women and ethnic Russian women. The TFR among ethnic Kazakh women has declined from 3.6 to 2.5 over the past decade, a decline of one child per woman. Among ethnic Russians, the TFR has declined from 2.2 to 1.4 over the past decade, a decline of not quite one child per woman, but resulting in a TFR below replacement levels.

Comparisons of the 1999 KDHS and the 1995 KDHS show that fertility declines over the four years between the surveys occurred not only among ethnic Kazakh and ethnic Russian women, but also among urban and rural women, among women of all regions of Kazakhstan, and among all education groups. One of the greatest areas of decline has been in the Central region, where the TFR fell by one child per woman, from 2.7 to 1.6.

## Figure 4.3 Age-specific Fertility Rates 1989 Census, 1995 KDHS, and 1999 KDHS



Evidence of a recent decline in fertility is also supported by the ASFRs calculated over time, using only data from the 1999 KDHS. Table 4.4 presents agespecific fertility rates for five-year periods preceding the survey using data on live births from respondents' pregnancy histories. ${ }^{2}$ Declines from 5-9 to 0-4 years prior to the survey are seen among women of all age groups (with the exception of women age 45-49, who reported no live births). Declines of about 25-30 percent are seen among women under the age of 35 , and even greater declines are seen among older women (declines of 37 and 65 percent among women age 35-39 and 4044, respectively).

Table 4.4 Trends in age-specific fertility rates
Age-specific fertility rates for five-year periods preceding the survey, by mother's age at the time of birth, Kazakhstan 1999

|  | Number of years preceding the survey |  |  |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Mother's <br> age | $0-4$ | $5-9$ | $10-14$ | $15-19$ |
| $15-19$ | 44 | 64 | 45 | 42 |
| $20-24$ | 166 | 214 | 222 | 202 |
| $25-29$ | 115 | 162 | 188 | 179 |
| $30-34$ | 63 | 82 | 119 | $[108]$ |
| $35-39$ | 29 | 46 | $[70]$ | - |
| $40-44$ | 6 | $[17]$ | - | - |
| $45-49$ | $[0]$ | - | - | - |

Note: Age-specific fertility rates are per 1,000 women. Estimates in brackets are truncated.

[^5]Table 4.5 presents fertility rates for ever-married women by duration since first marriage for five-year periods preceding the survey. Fertility decline usually begins among older women who want to stop their childbearing, but as Table 4.5 shows, the fertility decline in Kazakhstan has been achieved by women at all marital durations, including those of less than five years. This decline at even the shortest marital durations was not observed at the time of the 1995 KDHS.

### 4.3 Children Ever Born and Living

Table 4.6 presents the distribution of all women and currently married women by number of children ever born. The modal number of children among all women age 30 and above is two. Perhaps the most notable change since the 1995 KDHS is the change among women in their twenties. At the time of the 1995 KDHS, the modal number of children among women in their late twenties was two; it is one in the 1999 KDHS. And more women in their early twenties (age 20-24) have not yet begun childbearing. Forty-four percent of women age 20-24 had not yet had any children at the time of the 1995 KDHS; that percent has risen to 54 percent in the 1999 KDHS. The greatest difference between the data for currently married women and the total sample occurs among young women due to the large number of unmarried young women with minimal fertility. Differences at older ages reflect the generally fertility-reducing impact of marital dissolution (divorce or widowhood).

| Percent distribution of all women and of currently married women age 15-49 by number of children ever born (CEB) and mean number ever born and living, according to five-year age groups, Kazakhstan 1999 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Number of children ever born (CEB) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Number Mean of no. of women CEB |  | Mean <br> no. of living children |
| group | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | $10+$ | Total |  |  |  |
| ALL WOMEN |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 95.6 | 4.1 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 791 | 0.05 | 0.05 |
| 20-24 | 53.7 | 28.4 | 15.3 | 2.4 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 666 | 0.67 | 0.63 |
| 25-29 | 18.8 | 35.2 | 28.1 | 13.1 | 3.9 | 0.6 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 692 | 1.51 | 1.38 |
| 30-34 | 9.0 | 23.8 | 33.1 | 20.1 | 9.7 | 2.5 | 0.9 | 0.9 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 698 | 2.13 | 1.99 |
| 35-39 | 4.7 | 15.6 | 35.1 | 22.8 | 12.0 | 5.6 | 2.9 | 0.8 | 0.6 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 749 | 2.58 | 2.40 |
| 40-44 | 5.4 | 9.4 | 35.5 | 21.9 | 12.7 | 6.6 | 4.0 | 2.8 | 1.3 | 0.4 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 681 | 2.88 | 2.67 |
| 45-49 | 5.7 | 14.7 | 31.3 | 19.5 | 8.3 | 7.8 | 5.9 | 2.5 | 2.1 | 1.5 | 0.7 | 100.0 | 522 | 2.99 | 2.68 |
| Total | 29.3 | 18.5 | 24.9 | 13.9 | 6.6 | 3.1 | 1.8 | 0.9 | 0.5 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 4,800 | 1.76 | 1.63 |
| CURRENTLY MARRIED WOMEN |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 53.6 | 43.1 | 3.3 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 63 | 0.50 | 0.48 |
| 20-24 | 23.2 | 44.5 | 27.3 | 4.6 | 0.4 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 353 | 1.14 | 1.08 |
| 25-29 | 6.2 | 35.6 | 34.5 | 17.4 | 5.1 | 0.9 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 506 | 1.83 | 1.67 |
| 30-34 | 3.5 | 19.7 | 37.1 | 22.8 | 11.8 | 3.0 | 1.1 | 0.9 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 546 | 2.38 | 2.22 |
| 35-39 | 1.7 | 12.9 | 36.5 | 23.9 | 13.2 | 6.8 | 3.3 | 1.0 | 0.7 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 617 | 2.77 | 2.57 |
| 40-44 | 2.0 | 6.6 | 36.8 | 23.0 | 14.1 | 7.6 | 5.0 | 2.9 | 1.6 | 0.6 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 548 | 3.11 | 2.91 |
| 45-49 | 1.6 | 10.4 | 34.1 | 19.8 | 9.3 | 10.2 | 6.3 | 3.2 | 2.9 | 1.3 | 1.0 | 100.0 | 385 | 3.31 | 2.95 |
| Total | 6.4 | 20.8 | 34.3 | 19.1 | 9.5 | 4.8 | 2.6 | 1.3 | 0.8 | 0.3 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 3,018 | 2.43 | 2.25 |

Table 4.6 Children ever born and living
Percent distribution of all women and of currently married women age 15-49 by number of children ever born (CEB) and mean number ever born and living, according to five-year age groups, Kazakhstan 1999

Table 4.6 also shows the mean number of children ever born and the mean number surviving by five-year age group of the mother. On average, women in their early twenties have had 0.7 children, women in their late twenties have had 1.5 children, women in their thirties have had two children, and women in their forties have had nearly three children.

A cursory view of the survival status of children can be made by comparing the mean number of children ever born to the mean number surviving. Overall, 7 percent of live births had not survived to the time of the survey. This survival level generally holds true for women age 20-44. Ten percent of children born to women age 45-49 at the time of the survey had not survived.

### 4.4 Birth Intervals

The length of birth intervals is an important component of childbearing. Research has shown that children born too close to a previous birth have an increased risk of dying, especially when the interval between births is less than 24 months. Table 4.7 presents the percent distribution of second- and higher-order births in the five years prior to the survey by the number of months since the previous birth. Overall, about one-third of births ( 32 percent) were born within 24 months of the previous birth. The median birth interval is 35 months, up from a median of 32 months in the 1995 KDHS.

The length of birth intervals by region shows some correlation with patterns of fertility. The region with the highest fertility (the South region) exhibits the shortest median birth interval (only 28 months); 41 percent of non-first births in the South region were born within 24 months of the previous birth. The regions with the lowest fertility (Almaty City and the East region) exhibit much longer median birth intervals (49 and 48 months, respectively). The North region exhibits a median birth interval of 49 months, although it exhibits an intermediate level of fertility.

Urban and rural women also exhibit significant differentials in birth intervals. Births to urban women have a median interval of 48 months while births to rural women have a median interval of 30 months; birth interval length among urban women represents a significant increase since the 1995 KDHS when it was 39 months. Birth intervals are significantly longer among births to Russian mothers (median interval of 52 months) than among births to Kazakh mothers (median interval of 31 months). Median interval length among births to Russian mothers increased from 44 months at the time of the 1995 KDHS. Median interval length also increases with increasing education of the mother, from 29 months among mothers with primary or secondary education to as high as 54 months among women with higher education.

### 4.5 Age at First Birth

The age at which childbearing begins has important demographic consequences for societies as a whole, as well as for the health and welfare of mothers and children. Early initiation into childbearing is generally associated with large family size and rapid population growth when family planning is not widely practiced.

Table 4.8 presents the percent distribution of women by age at first birth according to current age. Initiation into childbearing has a relatively narrow age range in Kazakhstan. While the age at which women begin childbearing has not changed greatly over time, women currently age 20-24 are less likely to have begun childbearing than were women who were age 20-24 at the time of the 1995 KDHS. The 1995 KDHS found that 44 percent of women age 20-24 had not yet had a birth, compared with 54 percent in the 1999 KDHS.

| Table 4.7 Birth intervals |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Percent distribution of non-first births in the five years preceding the survey by number of months since previous birth, according to demographic and socioeconomic characteristics, Kazakhstan 1999 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Characteristic | Number of months since previous birth |  |  |  |  | Total | Median number of months since previous birth | Number <br> of births |
|  | 7-17 | 18-23 | 24-35 | 36-47 | $48+$ |  |  |  |
| Age of mother |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | * | * | * | * | * | 100.0 | * | * |
| 20-29 | 20.5 | 25.7 | 22.3 | 8.3 | 23.2 | 100.0 | 24.8 | 446 |
| 30-39 | 7.2 | 12.9 | 16.0 | 13.2 | 50.8 | 100.0 | 48.5 | 414 |
| 40+ | 4.9 | 4.9 | 14.6 | 8.9 | 66.7 | 100.0 | $68.6{ }^{1}$ | 56 |
| Birth order |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2-3 | 13.9 | 20.7 | 16.8 | 9.8 | 38.8 | 100.0 | 34.6 | 680 |
| 4-6 | 12.2 | 13.8 | 24.7 | 11.7 | 37.6 | 100.0 | 35.4 | 216 |
| $7+$ | (16.0) | (8.3) | (27.8) | (20.6) | (27.3) | 100.0 | (34.7) | 22 |
| Sex of prior birth |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Male | 13.0 | 16.2 | 18.7 | 9.3 | 42.9 | 100.0 | 40.0 | 462 |
| Female | 14.1 | 21.5 | 19.2 | 11.7 | 33.5 | 100.0 | 31.5 | 456 |
| Survival of prior birth |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Living | 33.5 | 17.6 | 23.7 | 12.9 | 12.3 | 100.0 | 22.7 | 77 |
| Dead | 11.7 | 18.9 | 18.5 | 10.3 | 40.6 | 100.0 | 38.1 | 841 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Urban | 10.5 | 13.3 | 16.6 | 9.3 | 50.3 | 100.0 | 48.2 | 353 |
| Rural | 15.4 | 22.3 | 20.4 | 11.2 | 30.7 | 100.0 | 30.0 | 565 |
| Region |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Almaty City | (6.2) | (14.6) | (14.6) | (12.5) | (52.1) | 100.0 | (48.5) | 22 |
| South | 18.7 | 21.8 | 19.6 | 11.7 | 28.3 | 100.0 | 28.0 | 466 |
| West | 7.6 | 14.2 | 23.1 | 11.4 | 43.7 | 100.0 | 42.4 | 130 |
| Central | 9.8 | 14.7 | 20.4 | 6.4 | 48.6 | 100.0 | 41.6 | 72 |
| North | 9.6 | 18.0 | 14.3 | 7.1 | 50.9 | 100.0 | 48.8 | 157 |
| East | 5.4 | 15.2 | 17.3 | 11.8 | 50.2 | 100.0 | 48.1 | 71 |
| Education |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Primary/secondary | 17.3 | 23.7 | 18.5 | 11.1 | 29.5 | 100.0 | 28.6 | 381 |
| Secondary-special | 12.3 | 14.4 | 21.6 | 11.4 | 40.3 | 100.0 | 38.9 | 402 |
| Higher | 6.9 | 18.2 | 12.5 | 6.2 | 56.3 | 100.0 | $53.9{ }^{1}$ | 136 |
| Ethnicity |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kazakh | 14.8 | 20.5 | 19.7 | 11.5 | 33.5 | 100.0 | 31.1 | 673 |
| Russian | 6.8 | 15.2 | 13.0 | 7.3 | 57.7 | 100.0 | $51.5^{1}$ | 118 |
| Other | 13.1 | 13.1 | 20.5 | 8.3 | 45.0 | 100.0 | 40.2 | 127 |
| Total | 13.5 | 18.8 | 18.9 | 10.5 | 38.2 | 100.0 | 34.7 | 918 |
| Note: First births are excluded. The interval for multiple births is the number of months since the preceding pregnancy that ended in a live birth. An asterisk indicates that a figure is based on fewer than 25 unweighted cases and has been ssuppressed. Figures in parentheses are based on 25-49 unweighted cases. Median number is more than 48 months. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

Table 4.9 presents the median age at first birth for women age $25-49$ by background characteristics. The median age at first birth hovers around age 22 for all five-year age cohorts, as was reported in the 1995 KDHS. The greatest differentials are by education; the median age at first birth increases by two to three years with increasing education.

| Table 4.8 Age at first birth |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Percent distribution of women 15-49 by age at first birth, according to current age, Kazakhstan 1999 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Women with |  |  | Age at | st birth |  |  |  | Number | Median age at |
| Current age | births | <15 | 15-17 | 18-19 | 20-21 | 22-24 | 25+ | Total | women | birth |
| 15-19 | 95.6 | 0.0 | 1.8 | 2.7 | NA | NA | NA | 100.0 | 791 | ${ }^{\text {a }}$ |
| 20-24 | 53.7 | 0.2 | 5.8 | 16.1 | 19.1 | 5.2 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 666 | a |
| 25-29 | 18.8 | 0.1 | 4.2 | 20.1 | 27.1 | 23.2 | 6.4 | 100.0 | 692 | 21.9 |
| 30-34 | 9.0 | 0.1 | 3.3 | 16.3 | 28.8 | 26.5 | 16.0 | 100.0 | 698 | 22.1 |
| 35-39 | 4.7 | 0.0 | 2.9 | 14.3 | 23.9 | 31.2 | 22.9 | 100.0 | 749 | 22.6 |
| 40-44 | 5.4 | 0.0 | 1.6 | 16.4 | 23.4 | 30.7 | 22.4 | 100.0 | 681 | 22.6 |
| 45-49 | 5.7 | 0.0 | 3.4 | 15.1 | 27.6 | 24.2 | 24.0 | 100.0 | 522 | 22.4 |
| NA = Not applicable |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |


| Table 4.9 Median age at first birth |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Median age at first birth among women age 25-49 years, by current age and selected background characteristics, Kazakhstan 1999 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Background characteristic | Current age |  |  |  |  | Ages <br> 25-49 |
|  | 25-29 | 30-34 | 35-39 | 40-44 | 45-49 |  |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Urban | 22.1 | 22.2 | 22.6 | 22.6 | 23.2 | 22.5 |
| Rural | 21.6 | 22.1 | 22.7 | 22.6 | 21.5 | 22.2 |
| Region |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Almaty City | 22.1 | 22.9 | 23.9 | 23.7 | 24.2 | 23.3 |
| South | 21.8 | 21.8 | 22.7 | 22.1 | 21.7 | 22.0 |
| West | 22.2 | 22.3 | 22.8 | 23.3 | 23.1 | 22.7 |
| Central | 21.8 | 22.0 | 22.7 | 22.2 | 22.9 | 22.3 |
| North | 21.6 | 21.9 | 22.4 | 22.7 | 22.1 | 22.2 |
| East | 22.4 | 22.8 | 22.7 | 22.8 | 22.4 | 22.6 |
| Education |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Primary/Secondary | 20.8 | 20.9 | 21.0 | 21.7 | 21.2 | 21.1 |
| Secondary-special | 22.0 | 22.2 | 22.6 | 22.5 | 22.0 | 22.3 |
| Higher | 23.6 | 23.4 | 25.1 | 25.0 | 25.8 | 24.7 |
| Ethnicity |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kazakh | 22.4 | 22.5 | 23.2 | 23.2 | 22.5 | 22.7 |
| Russian | 21.3 | 21.6 | 22.0 | 22.0 | 22.4 | 21.9 |
| Other | 20.7 | 21.8 | 22.2 | 22.8 | 21.9 | 21.9 |
| Total | 21.9 | 22.1 | 22.6 | 22.6 | 22.4 | 22.4 |
| Note: The medians for cohorts 15-19 and 20-24 could not be determined because half the women have not yet had a birth. |  |  |  |  |  |  |

### 4.6 Pregnancy and Motherhood Among Teenage Women

Fertility among women age 15-19 warrants special attention because young mothers at this age, as well as their children, are at high risk of encountering social and health problems. There has been much research on this topic, and the causes of the problems have proven difficult to identify. Children born to young mothers are associated with higher levels of illness and mortality during childhood than are children born to older mothers.

Table 4.10 presents the percentage of women age 15-19 who are mothers or are pregnant with their first child. Overall, 7 percent of women age 15-19 have begun childbearing (have already given birth or were pregnant with their first child at the time of the survey), a decline from 9 percent at the time of the 1995 KDHS.

| Table 4.10 Pregnancy and motherhood among teenage women |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Percentage of women 15-19 who are mothers or pregnant with their first child, by selected background characteristics, Kazakhstan 1999 |  |  |  |  |
|  | Percentage who are: |  | Percentage who have begun childbearing | Number <br> of women |
| Background characteristic | Mothers | Pregnant with first child |  |  |
| Age |  |  |  |  |
| 15 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 153 |
| 16 | 0.3 | 1.0 | 1.3 | 177 |
| 17 | 1.5 | 1.6 | 3.1 | 162 |
| 18 | 5.4 | 4.7 | 10.1 | 160 |
| 19 | 16.8 | 4.4 | 21.2 | 138 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |
| Urban | 4.4 | 2.6 | 7.0 | 409 |
| Rural | 4.4 | 1.9 | 6.4 | 382 |
| Region |  |  |  |  |
| Almaty City | (3.8) | (1.9) | (5.7) | 48 |
| South | 4.3 | 3.1 | 7.4 | 271 |
| West | 3.7 | 0.6 | 4.3 | 110 |
| Central | 3.9 | 4.1 | 8.0 | 68 |
| North | 4.8 | 0.9 | 5.7 | 197 |
| East | 5.3 | 3.5 | 8.8 | 98 |
| Education |  |  |  |  |
| Primary/secondary | 4.0 | 2.1 | 6.2 | 601 |
| Secondary-special | 7.9 | 4.6 | 12.5 | 102 |
| Higher | 2.9 | 0.5 | 3.4 | 88 |
| Ethnicity |  |  |  |  |
| Kazakh | 2.6 | 1.9 | 4.5 | 473 |
| Russian | 4.7 | 4.0 | 8.7 | 213 |
| Other | 11.8 | 0.4 | 12.3 | 105 |
| Total | 4.4 | 2.3 | 6.7 | 791 |

[^6]The percentage of women who become mothers does increase during the teenage years, so that one in five 19 -year-olds ( 21 percent) has begun childbearing. However, fewer women are beginning childbearing in their teen years than just a few years ago; the 1995 KDHS found that one in four 19-year-olds had begun childbearing. The percentage of women who mothers in their teen years has decreased among both ethnic Kazakh and ethnic Russian women; however, it has increased among women of other ethnicities. Figure 4.4 shows the percentage of women 15-19 who are mothers according to ethnicity in the 1995 KDHS and the 1999 KDHS.

Figure 4.4 Percentage of Women 15-19 Who Are Mothers by Ethnicity, 1995 KDHS and 1999 KDHS


## CONTRACEPTION

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The primary function of family planning programs is to advocate conscious entry into parenthood for both men and women, i.e., to grant families the right to define their desired number of children and provide them the means to achieve that goal. The efficacy of family planning depends on people's knowledge of methods and on the availability of methods to meet the varying needs of a wide spectrum of potential users. Availability of methods, in turn, depends on the quality and quantity of service providers and on available financial and technical resources.

In the republics of the former Soviet Union, family planning primarily consisted of the use of traditional contraceptive methods through the 1960s. Low levels of infrastructure and technology, as well as knowledge and attitudes towards family planning, limited use of modern methods. Historically, the status of a Kazakh woman in the family was such that the number of children she was to bear was determined not only by the husband and wife as a couple, but also by the husband's family. These factors, as well as many others, have resulted in high levels of reliance on induced abortion as a means of fertility control. Beginning in the early 1990s, the Ministry of Health actively engaged in efforts to reduce the heavy reliance on abortion by providing safe and effective modern contraceptive methods (Foreit and McCombie, 1995). Family planning offices have been opened in most oblasts and regional centers, in both large cities and villages. These offices, spanning most of the country, offer women professional advice and supply a variety of family planning methods.

With Kazakhstan's transition to a market economy and the accompanying general reduction in living standards, desires to limit family size appear to be on the rise. Statistics on the number of IUD and pill users obtaining supplies from government facilities have been maintained by the Ministry of Health since 1988. These statistics indicate a substantial increase in contraceptive use between 1988 and 1993: the prevalence rate for these two methods increased by 48 percent, from 20 to 29 percent of all women age 15-49 (Church and Koutanev, 1995). The 1995 KDHS indicated that contraceptive use was continuing to increase throughout the country: one-third of all respondents reported that they currently use a modern contraceptive method.

Family planning topics addressed in this chapter include knowledge of contraceptive methods, sources of supply, use of methods in the past and present, reasons for nonuse, desire to use in the future, and exposure to family planning messages. While the focus is on women, some results from the men's survey are also presented since men play an important role in the realization of reproductive goals. These data can serve as an information base for the Agency on Health and family planning organizations to better define the need for contraception and the allocation of resources.

### 5.1 Knowledge of Contraceptive Methods

Knowledge of contraceptive methods is a prerequisite for their use. Data on knowledge were collected by asking the respondent to name ways or methods by which a couple could delay or avoid pregnancy. If the respondent failed to mention a particular method spontaneously, the
interviewer described the method and asked if she recognized it. Thus, knowledge of a contraceptive method is defined simply as having heard of a method.

Contraceptive methods include both modern and traditional methods. Modern methods include the pill, the IUD, injectables, implants, female sterilization, male sterilization, emergency contraception, and the barrier methods (diaphragm, foam, jelly, male and female condom). Traditional methods include lactational amenorrhea, periodic abstinence (rhythm method), withdrawal, and vaginal douching.

Table 5.1 shows the percentage of women and men who have heard of specific contraceptive methods. Knowledge of contraception is universal: 99 percent of both women and men are able to name at least one modern method. Among women, the IUD is the most recognized method (known by 97 percent of respondents), followed by the condom ( 94 percent) and the pill ( 87 percent). While women who have never had sex are less likely to know of specific methods than are married or sexually active unmarried women, more than three-quarters ( 76 percent) have heard about the pill, and an even greater proportion recognize the IUD and condom.

## Table 5.1 Knowledge of contraceptive methods

Percentage of all women and men, currently married women and men, sexually active unmarried women and men, and of women who have never had sex, who know specific contraceptive methods, by specific methods, Kazakhstan 1999

| Contraceptive method | Women |  |  |  | Men |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | All women | Currently married women | Sexually active unmarried women | Women who never had sex | All men | Currently married men | Sexually active unmarried men |
| Any method | 98.6 | 99.6 | 100.0 | 94.5 | 99.1 | 99.8 | 100.0 |
| Any modern method | 98.6 | 99.5 | 100.0 | 94.5 | 98.7 | 99.5 | 99.7 |
| Pill | 87.1 | 88.8 | 96.3 | 76.0 | 75.6 | 80.0 | 87.3 |
| IUD | 96.5 | 99.1 | 99.0 | 86.4 | 86.9 | 95.6 | 87.5 |
| Injectables | 53.5 | 59.7 | 65.7 | 32.2 | 25.2 | 28.3 | 36.1 |
| Diaphragm/Foam/Jelly | 51.7 | 56.8 | 64.5 | 28.9 | 17.5 | 21.1 | 22.4 |
| Condom | 93.9 | 94.6 | 99.1 | 88.3 | 97.7 | 98.2 | 99.3 |
| Female sterilization | 53.5 | 58.4 | 62.5 | 32.5 | 41.4 | 47.0 | 54.7 |
| Male sterilization | 29.2 | 31.3 | 47.5 | 16.1 | 19.9 | 22.4 | 31.5 |
| Implant | 10.0 | 11.1 | 13.8 | 6.0 | 4.2 | 5.2 | 5.4 |
| Female condom | 17.9 | 18.3 | 24.6 | 13.7 | 4.9 | 5.5 | 8.0 |
| Emergency contraception | 33.4 | 37.1 | 40.5 | 17.6 | 9.8 | 11.3 | 12.4 |
| Any traditional method | 82.4 | 89.2 | 95.0 | 53.1 | 81.2 | 87.8 | 89.4 |
| Lactational amenorrhea | 51.5 | 62.9 | 41.8 | 17.5 | 22.3 | 31.3 | 5.3 |
| Periodic abstinence | 63.8 | 70.4 | 76.3 | 36.2 | 47.9 | 55.9 | 55.7 |
| Withdrawal | 57.3 | 62.6 | 80.9 | 29.1 | 72.1 | 76.8 | 83.1 |
| Douche | 16.3 | 20.1 | 18.3 | 3.1 | 3.8 | 5.0 | 2.2 |
| Other | 1.6 | 1.8 | 2.7 | 0.6 | 0.5 | 0.4 | 2.6 |
| Number of women/men | 4,800 | 3,018 | 249 | 958 | 1,440 | 933 | 149 |
| Mean number of methods | 7.2 | 7.7 | 8.3 | 4.8 | 5.3 | 5.8 | 5.9 |

On average, women know 7.2 methods of contraception, up from 5.4 methods in 1995. The average number of methods known varies by marital status of the respondents. Currently married women know an average of 7.7 methods, while unmarried women who are sexually active know of 8.3 methods, and women who have never had sex know on average 4.8 methods.

In general, the men surveyed are less knowledgeable than women about specific methods of contraception. Men, on average, recognize only 5.3 contraceptive methods. Among men, 98 percent recognized the condom, 87 percent had heard of IUDs, and 76 percent recognized the pill.

Knowledge of traditional methods is also high. Eighty-nine percent of currently married women and 95 percent of sexually active unmarried women have knowledge of a traditional method. Almost 90 percent of currently married and sexually active unmarried men have also heard of at least one traditional method.

### 5.2 Ever Use of Contraception

All respondents who had heard of a method of contraception were asked whether they (or a partner with them) had ever used the method; each method was inquired about separately. An additional probe for use was made for women who reported no contraceptive use. Results are presented in Table 5.2 for all women, for currently married women, and for sexually active unmarried women age 15-29 by five-year age groups.

Approximately nine out of ten currently married and sexually active unmarried women have used a method of contraception at some time in their life. Levels of ever-use among all women are somewhat lower than among currently married women because the former includes women who have never been sexually active.

Eighty-eight percent of all married women report having used a contraceptive method, up from 84 percent in the 1995 KDHS. Ever use of a modern method is up from 77 percent in 1995 to 82 percent. Ever use of the pill and condom has not changed since 1995, but the proportion of married women who report ever use of the IUD has risen from 62 percent to 69 percent. Emergency contraception, which has been available in Kazakhstan since 1990, has been used by 2.4 percent of married women.

Among unmarried, sexually active women, 90 percent have used any method of contraception; of these, 93 percent have used a modern method. The percentage of all sexually active unmarried women who have used a modern method has increased since 1995 from 69 percent to 84 percent. Ever use of the pill, IUD, and condom has increased since 1995. Five percent of the respondents in this group have used emergency contraception.

### 5.3 Current Use of Contraception

Table 5.3 presents levels of current use of contraception for all women, for currently married women, and for sexually active unmarried women age 15-29 by five-year age groups.

Almost four out of ten women (39 percent) of reproductive age are using a modern method of contraception, up from 34 percent in 1995. As in 1995, approximately 9 percent reported current use of a traditional method.



More than half ( 53 percent) of currently married women use a modern method of contraception, up from 46 percent in 1995. Significant increases in contraceptive use have occurred among the older cohorts. In the 35 to 39 age group there has been an increase in the use of modern methods from 55 to 63 percent; among 40- to 44 -year-olds the increase was from 47 to 58 percent; and among married women age 45 to 49 use of modern methods increased form 22 to 40 percent. This pattern suggests that modern contraceptive methods are being adopted by women in older cohorts in order to limit births.

The IUD is by far the most widely used method of modern contraception. Among married women there has been a slight increase in users, from 40 percent in 1995 to 42 percent in 1999. After the IUD, the condom is the next most widely used modern method. Since 1995 there has been no significant increase in condom use overall, but among married women age 25 to 29, condom use has jumped from 3.4 to 7.3 percent. A significantly larger proportion of this cohort reports using condoms than any other cohort. Approximately 3 percent of currently married women report that they have been sterilized. As in 1995, 13 percent of currently married women state that they are using a traditional method.

The most significant changes in contraceptive use have occurred among unmarried, sexually active women. Currently, 56 percent report using a modern method, as opposed to 39 percent in 1995. Use of the pill has doubled (from 5 to 10 percent) as has use of the IUD (from 14 to 26 percent). Condom use, however, appears to have remained constant in the last five years (approximately 19 percent). Use of traditional methods has decreased. Currently, 13 percent of all sexually active unmarried women report using a traditional method, down from 19 percent in 1995.

Current use of contraception is much higher among men than among women (Table 5.4). Fifty-five percent of men are currently using a method of contraception; almost half ( 48 percent) of all men surveyed use a modern method. Among men who use a modern method, 54 percent report using the IUD, the most common method among all age groups. Condom use was reported by 37 percent of the male respondents, but use is concentrated among younger men (for example 35 percent of 20 - to 24 -year-olds versus 17 percent of 40 - to 44 -year-olds).

More than half ( 55 percent) of married men report that they are using a modern method and an additional 8 percent are currently using a traditional method. Overall, use of modern methods is concentrated among men age 30 to 49 , more than 60 percent of whom are using a modern method. The IUD is the most commonly used method ( 38 percent of all married men), followed by the condom (11 percent). Three percent of married men report using the pill and female sterilization. Pill use is concentrated among men age 20 to 34 . Men 35 and above are more likely to report using female sterilization than younger men. Among sexually active unmarried men, 85 percent report using a modern method of contraception. The condom accounts for 85 percent of modern method use.

### 5.4 Current Use by Background Characteristics

Table 5.5 presents levels of contraceptive use among currently married women by background characteristics. Overall, use of modern contraceptive methods varies little: 54 percent of women in urban areas and 51 percent of women in rural areas report using a modern method. Urban women are more likely than rural women to use the pill (4 percent versus 1 percent) and the condom ( 6 percent versus 2 percent). A larger proportion of rural women ( 44 percent) than urban women ( 40 percent) rely on the IUD. This pattern of modern contraceptive use closely resembles the findings of the 1995 KDHS.

While 54 percent of both ethnic Kazakh and ethnic Russian women use a modern method of contraception, there is some variation in the use of specific methods. The most commonly used method among both ethnic groups is the IUD, but only 38 percent of Russians as opposed to 47 percent of Kazakhs use the IUD. On the other hand, a greater proportion of Russians rely on the pill ( 4.4 percent versus 1.3 percent) and the condom ( 7 percent versus 3 percent). Traditional methods are also more prevalent among Russian (16 percent) than Kazakh (10 percent) respondents.

Contraceptive use by region does not vary to the degree that might be expected from the fertility differentials by region. The North and East regions, for example, have much lower levels of fertility than the South and West regions, but do not differ greatly in contraceptive use (approximately 70 percent versus 60 percent). Induced abortion, which is more prevalent in the North and East regions, could account for this discrepancy (see Chapter 6). It is also notable that while use of the IUD is lower in Almaty City ( 35 percent) than in the other regions ( 40 to 47 percent), use of modern methods other than the IUD is higher in Almaty City than the other regions (Figure 5.1).

The increase in contraceptive use in all regions is primarily due to increases in modern methods. In all regions except the South region, the IUD accounts for much more of the increase the pill or condom. In the South region, however, there has been no significant increase in IUD use; in this region pill and condom use account for some of the overall rise in modern contraceptive use. The most significant increase in modern method use ( 47 to 58 percent) and the greatest decrease in reliance on traditional methods ( 17 to 12 percent) occurred in Almaty City.

Figure 5.1 Current Use of Family Planning by Region


| Table 5.4 Current use of contraception: men |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| Percent distribution of all men, of currently married men, and of sexually active unmarried men, who are currently using a contraceptive method by specific meth according to age, Kazakhstan 1999 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  | Modern method |  |  |  |  |  |  | Traditional method |  |  |  |  | Notcurrentlyusing | Total | Number of men |
| Age | Any method | Any modern method | Pill | IUD | Injectables | Condom | Female steriliztion | Male sterilization |  | Lactational amen. | Periodic abstinence | Withdrawal | Other methods |  |  |  |
| ALL MEN |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 23.8 | 22.0 | 1.4 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 20.7 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.8 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.8 | 0.0 | 76.2 | 100.0 | 226 |
| 20-24 | 53.1 | 46.3 | 3.3 | 7.9 | 0.0 | 35.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 6.8 | 2.9 | 2.6 | 1.3 | 0.0 | 46.9 | 100.0 | 182 |
| 25-29 | 62.0 | 53.6 | 7.1 | 26.3 | 0.0 | 19.9 | 0.0 | 0.3 | 8.4 | 1.5 | 3.9 | 1.8 | 1.2 | 38.0 | 100.0 | 176 |
| 30-34 | 64.9 | 60.7 | 2.3 | 32.9 | 0.0 | 24.2 | 1.3 | 0.0 | 4.2 | 0.6 | 0.7 | 2.6 | 0.3 | 35.1 | 100.0 | 172 |
| 35-39 | 74.8 | 62.5 | 2.2 | 46.1 | 0.6 | 9.6 | 4.1 | 0.0 | 12.3 | 0.8 | 6.0 | 3.7 | 1.7 | 25.2 | 100.0 | 229 |
| 40-44 | 67.5 | 60.1 | 1.6 | 39.6 | 0.0 | 17.2 | 1.6 | 0.0 | 7.4 | 0.0 | 2.6 | 4.0 | 0.9 | 32.5 | 100.0 | 164 |
| 45-49 | 69.6 | 62.2 | 0.0 | 42.5 | 0.0 | 12.7 | 5.3 | 1.7 | 7.4 | 0.4 | 3.5 | 1.2 | 2.3 | 30.4 | 100.0 | 122 |
| 50-54 | 35.7 | 33.1 | 1.6 | 23.4 | 0.0 | 4.8 | 3.3 | 0.0 | 2.6 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 2.6 | 0.0 | 64.3 | 100.0 | 104 |
| 55-59 | 15.4 | 15.4 | 0.0 | 10.7 | 0.0 | 1.5 | 3.2 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 84.6 | 100.0 | 65 |
| Total | 54.5 | 48.2 | 2.4 | 25.8 | 0.1 | 18.0 | 1.8 | 0.2 | 6.3 | 0.8 | 2.4 | 2.3 | 0.8 | 45.5 | 100.0 | 1,440 |
| CURRENTLY MARRIED MEN |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 1 |
| 20-24 | 60.9 | 41.1 | 5.0 | 23.5 | 0.0 | 12.6 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 19.8 | 9.1 | 8.4 | 2.4 | 0.0 | 39.1 | 100.0 | 57 |
| 25-29 | 65.5 | 55.7 | 7.9 | 36.3 | 0.0 | 11.5 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 9.8 | 2.2 | 3.5 | 2.2 | 1.9 | 34.5 | 100.0 | 118 |
| 30-34 | 65.0 | 60.3 | 3.0 | 39.8 | 0.0 | 15.8 | 1.7 | 0.0 | 4.7 | 0.8 | 0.4 | 3.4 | 0.0 | 35.0 | 100.0 | 132 |
| 35-39 | 77.6 | 64.2 | 2.1 | 49.3 | 0.6 | 7.8 | 4.4 | 0.0 | 13.3 | 0.9 | 6.6 | 4.0 | 1.9 | 22.4 | 100.0 | 211 |
| 40-44 | 69.0 | 62.4 | 1.8 | 42.1 | 0.0 | 16.6 | 1.8 | 0.0 | 6.6 | 0.0 | 2.9 | 2.8 | 1.0 | 31.0 | 100.0 | 144 |
| 45-49 | 74.2 | 65.9 | 0.0 | 46.4 | 0.0 | 11.7 | 5.9 | 1.9 | 8.3 | 0.5 | 3.9 | 1.3 | 2.6 | 25.8 | 100.0 | 110 |
| 50-54 | 36.3 | 33.6 | 1.1 | 24.9 | 0.0 | 4.0 | 3.6 | 0.0 | 2.7 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 2.7 | 0.0 | 63.7 | 100.0 | 98 |
| 55-59 | 15.6 | 15.6 | 0.0 | 11.4 | 0.0 | 0.8 | 3.4 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 84.4 | 100.0 | 61 |
| Total | 63.0 | 54.6 | 2.6 | 38.2 | 0.1 | 10.7 | 2.8 | 0.2 | 8.4 | 1.2 | 3.4 | 2.7 | 1.1 | 37.0 | 100.0 | 933 |
| SEXUALLY ACTIVE UNMARRIED MEN |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 92.5 | 88.7 | 8.9 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 79.8 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 3.8 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 3.8 | 0.0 | 7.5 | 100.0 | 35 |
| 20-24 | 83.2 | 81.6 | 3.6 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 78.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.6 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.6 | 0.0 | 16.8 | 100.0 | 57 |
| 25-29 | 92.4 | 85.9 | 5.6 | 16.9 | 0.0 | 62.5 | 0.0 | 0.9 | 6.5 | 0.0 | 5.5 | 0.0 | 0.9 | 7.6 | 100.0 | 57 |
| Total | 88.9 | 84.9 | 5.6 | 6.5 | 0.0 | 72.4 | 0.0 | 0.4 | 4.0 | 0.0 | 2.1 | 1.5 | 0.4 | 11.1 | 100.0 | 149 |
| Note: For the sexually active panel $25-29=25+$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |


| Table 5.5 Current use of contraception by background characteristics |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| Percent distribution of currently married women by contraceptive method currently used, according to selected background characteristics, Kazakhstan 1999 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  | Modern method |  |  |  |  |  |  | Traditional method |  |  |  |  |  | using <br> Not currently using | Total | Number of women |
| Background characteristic | Any method | Any modern method | Pill | IUD | Injectables | Diaph./ foam/ jelly | Condom | Female sterilization |  | Lactational amen. | Periodic abstinence | Withdrawal | Douche | Other methods |  |  |  |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Urban | 67.4 | 54.1 | 3.7 | 40.0 | 0.6 | 0.8 | 6.3 | 2.6 | 13.3 | 1.2 | 6.1 | 1.7 | 4.1 | 0.2 | 32.6 | 100.0 | 1,596 |
| Rural | 64.6 | 51.1 | 1.0 | 44.2 | 0.5 | 0.0 | 2.4 | 3.0 | 13.5 | 2.1 | 2.9 | 4.2 | 4.0 | 0.3 | 35.4 | 100.0 | 1,422 |
| Region |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Almaty City | 70.1 | 58.3 | 5.7 | 35.1 | 1.7 | 2.6 | 10.6 | 2.6 | 11.8 | 0.6 | 4.3 | 1.4 | 5.2 | 0.3 | 29.9 | 100.0 | 159 |
| South | 59.6 | 49.8 | 2.3 | 41.8 | 0.4 | 0.2 | 2.2 | 2.8 | 9.8 | 1.6 | 2.9 | 2.3 | 2.7 | 0.3 | 40.4 | 100.0 | 926 |
| West | 60.2 | 48.0 | 1.2 | 41.9 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 4.0 | 0.7 | 12.2 | 0.8 | 4.4 | 1.3 | 4.9 | 0.7 | 39.8 | 100.0 | 394 |
| Central | 71.5 | 58.8 | 3.7 | 47.1 | 1.0 | 0.4 | 3.9 | 2.7 | 12.7 | 1.4 | 7.7 | 1.1 | 2.5 | 0.0 | 28.5 | 100.0 | 281 |
| North | 69.7 | 50.5 | 0.9 | 40.1 | 0.7 | 0.5 | 4.7 | 3.6 | 19.2 | 1.8 | 6.0 | 6.0 | 5.3 | 0.0 | 30.3 | 100.0 | 837 |
| East | 73.8 | 61.8 | 4.8 | 45.3 | 0.4 | 0.5 | 7.6 | 3.2 | 12.0 | 2.4 | 3.7 | 1.1 | 4.6 | 0.2 | 26.2 | 100.0 | 422 |
| Education |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Primary/secondary | 63.5 | 50.8 | 1.4 | 42.3 | 0.9 | 0.0 | 2.9 | 3.4 | 12.7 | 2.0 | 2.1 | 3.4 | 4.9 | 0.3 | 36.5 | 100.0 | 1,064 |
| Secondary-special | 66.2 | 52.1 | 2.9 | 41.4 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 4.5 | 2.6 | 14.1 | 1.2 | 5.2 | 3.4 | 4.0 | 0.3 | 33.8 | 100.0 | 1,367 |
| Higher | 70.6 | 57.6 | 3.4 | 42.7 | 0.7 | 1.3 | 7.2 | 2.3 | 13.0 | 1.6 | 7.7 | 0.9 | 2.8 | 0.0 | 29.4 | 100.0 | 587 |
| Ethnicity |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kazakh | 64.0 | 53.7 | 1.3 | 46.5 | 0.5 | 0.1 | 3.1 | 2.2 | 10.3 | 2.0 | 3.0 | 1.7 | 3.4 | 0.2 | 36.0 | 100.0 | 1,607 |
| Russian | 70.1 | 53.7 | 4.4 | 37.5 | 1.0 | 1.0 | 7.2 | 2.6 | 16.4 | 1.0 | 7.0 | 3.3 | 4.8 | 0.3 | 29.9 | 100.0 | 904 |
| Other | 65.5 | 47.7 | 2.6 | 35.4 | 0.3 | 0.6 | 4.0 | 4.9 | 17.7 | 1.5 | 5.4 | 5.9 | 4.8 | 0.3 | 34.5 | 100.0 | 507 |
| Number of living children |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0 | 19.1 | 13.2 | 3.6 | 3.2 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 4.1 | 2.1 | 5.9 | 0.0 | 1.7 | 1.8 | 2.3 | 0.0 | 80.9 | 100.0 | 204 |
| 1 | 66.0 | 50.0 | 3.8 | 37.8 | 0.5 | 0.9 | 6.3 | 0.7 | 16.0 | 2.6 | 5.4 | 4.2 | 3.6 | 0.1 | 34.0 | 100.0 | 676 |
| 2 | 72.5 | 56.7 | 2.5 | 44.1 | 1.1 | 0.5 | 5.4 | 3.2 | 15.8 | 1.9 | 5.4 | 3.5 | 4.7 | 0.2 | 27.5 | 100.0 | 1,102 |
| 3 | 69.6 | 58.7 | 1.6 | 49.9 | 0.3 | 0.4 | 2.9 | 3.6 | 10.9 | 0.6 | 4.1 | 1.6 | 4.3 | 0.4 | 30.4 | 100.0 | 571 |
| 4+ | 67.5 | 57.2 | 0.8 | 50.2 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 1.6 | 4.3 | 10.2 | 1.4 | 3.4 | 1.5 | 3.7 | 0.3 | 32.5 | 100.0 | 464 |
| Total | 66.1 | 52.7 | 2.4 | 42.0 | 0.6 | 0.4 | 4.5 | 2.8 | 13.4 | 1.6 | 4.6 | 2.9 | 4.1 | 0.2 | 33.9 | 100.0 | 3,018 |

One notable change in the pattern of use of modern methods over the preceding five years is use at the lower parities: 13 percent of married women with no children state that they are using a modern method, up from 6 percent in 1995, and 50 percent of women with one living child are using modern method, up from 36 percent.

### 5.5 Current Use by Women's Status

A woman's ability to use contraceptive methods to control her fertility is likely to be affected by her status and degree of empowerment. The 1999 KDHS collected information on three indicators of women's empowerment: number of decisions in which the respondent has the final say, the number of reasons for which a woman can refuse to have sexual relations with her husband, and the number of reasons for which the respondent feels a husband is justified in beating his wife. The first of these indicators, which ranges from 0 to 5 , represents the total number of decisions from among five specified decisions (see Table 3.12 for the list of specific decisions) that the respondent participates in. This indicator is positively related to women's empowerment and reflects the degree of control women are able to exercise in areas that affect their own lives and environments. The second measure, which ranges from 0 to 4 , is the total number of circumstances from among four specified circumstances (see Table 3.14 for the list of circumstances) in which the respondent feels that a woman is justified in refusing sexual relations with her husband. This indicator reflects perceptions of sexual roles and women's rights over their bodies and sexuality. This indicator also relates positively to women's sense of self and empowerment. The final measure, which ranges from 0 to 5 , is the total number of reasons from among five specified reasons (see Table 3.13 for list of reasons) for which the respondent feels a husband is justified in beating his wife. A lower score on this indicator is interpreted to reflect greater sense of entitlement, selfesteem, and status of women. Thus, this one indicator has a negative association with women's empowerment.

Table 5.6 shows the relationship of each of these three indicators of women's empowerment with current use of contraceptive methods by currently married women age 15-49. Women who are more empowered are expected to be better able to control all aspects of their lives including their fertility. Table 5.6 shows that the higher are women's scores on each of the first two indicators of empowerment and the lower their scores on the third indicator of empowerment, the greater the likelihood that they will be using contraception. This correlation is generally true for women's use of both modern and traditional methods. For example, only 32 percent of women who participate in no more than one household decision are using a modern contraceptive method compared with 54 percent of women who participate in all or almost all (4-5) household decisions. Similarly, only 6 percent of women who say that women cannot refuse sexual relations with their husband for any reason use a traditional method compared with 14 percent of women who say that women can refuse sex with their husbands for all or almost all of the reasons specified. The likelihood of the use of any particular method, however, is not necessarily related in the same way with each of these indicators. For example, use of the IUD (the most popular contraceptive method) is positively associated with women's scores on the indicator measuring acceptance of wife beating. By contrast, condom use increases as women's scores on the acceptance of wife beating decrease. Empowerment measured by all three indicators is positively associated with women's use of periodic abstinence (the most popular method after the IUD). These results suggest that different dimensions of women's empowerment are positively associated with women's use of contraception in Kazakhstan, but differ in their effect on the choice of method.

| 5.6 Current use of contraception by women's status indicators |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| Percent distribution of currently married women by contraceptive method currently used, according to selected indicators of women's status, Kazakhstan 1999 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  | Modern method |  |  |  |  |  |  | Traditional method |  |  |  |  |  | $\underset{\text { currently }}{\text { Not }}$ using | Total | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Number } \\ & \text { of } \\ & \text { women } \end{aligned}$ |
| Women's status indicator | Any method | Any modern method | Pill | IUD | Injectables | Diaph./ foam jelly | Condom | Female sterilization |  | Lactational amen | Periodic abstinence | Withdrawal | Douche | Other methods |  |  |  |
| No. of decisions with woman having final say |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-1 | 41.2 | 31.8 | 0.0 | 27.5 | 1.9 | 0.0 | 2.4 | 0.0 | 9.4 | 5.6 | 0.0 | 2.3 | 1.5 | 0.0 | 58.8 | 100.0 | 120 |
| 2-3 | 61.7 | 47.0 | 3.0 | 37.9 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 5.0 | 1.1 | 14.7 | 2.1 | 4.4 | 2.9 | 4.1 | 1.1 | 38.3 | 100.0 | 308 |
| 4-5 | 67.8 | 54.4 | 2.5 | 43.1 | 0.6 | 0.5 | 4.5 | 3.1 | 13.4 | 1.3 | 4.8 | 2.9 | 4.2 | 0.1 | 32.2 | 100.0 | 2,590 |
| No. of reasons to justify refusing sexual relations with husband |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0 | 50.1 | 43.8 | 0.8 | 34.9 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 4.7 | 3.4 | 6.4 | 0.0 | 1.6 | 0.8 | 4.0 | 0.0 | 49.9 | 100.0 | 60 |
| 1-2 | 60.6 | 49.8 | 1.2 | 40.4 | 1.7 | 0.9 | 1.3 | 4.2 | 10.8 | 1.4 | 3.5 | 2.2 | 3.2 | 0.5 | 39.4 | 100.0 | 277 |
| 3-4 | 67.0 | 53.2 | 2.6 | 42.3 | 0.5 | 0.4 | 4.8 | 2.6 | 13.8 | 1.7 | 4.8 | 3.0 | 4.2 | 0.2 | 33.0 | 100.0 | 2,682 |
| No. of reasons to justify wife beating |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 4-5 | 58.9 | 51.0 | 0.0 | 47.3 | 1.8 | 0.0 | 1.1 | 0.9 | 8.0 | 2.2 | 0.4 | 0.9 | 4.4 | 0.0 | 41.1 | 100.0 | 157 |
| 1-3 | 60.8 | 48.6 | 1.0 | 41.3 | 0.3 | 0.1 | 2.8 | 3.1 | 12.2 | 1.7 | 2.4 | 3.7 | 4.0 | 0.3 | 39.2 | 100.0 | 819 |
| 0 | 68.8 | 54.5 | 3.2 | 41.8 | 0.6 | 0.6 | 5.4 | 2.8 | 14.3 | 1.5 | 5.8 | 2.7 | 4.1 | 0.2 | 31.2 | 100.0 | 2,042 |
| Total | 66.1 | 52.7 | 2.4 | 42.0 | 0.6 | 0.4 | 4.5 | 2.8 | 13.4 | 1.6 | 4.6 | 2.9 | 4.1 | 0.2 | 33.9 | 100.0 | 3,018 |

### 5.6 Use of the Pill

Users of the pill were asked to present their pill package to the interviewer, who then proceeded to record the brand name of the pills. Respondents who were unable to present the package were asked to report the brand name of their pills. Table 5.7 shows the percentage of women who are using the pill and the percentage of pill users who showed their pill packages to interviewers, by background characteristics. Table 5.8 presents the distribution of pill users by their brand of pills. Both tables present data for all pill users, regardless of marital status.

| Table 5.7 Pill use and possession of pill packet |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Percentage of all women using the pill and the percentage of pill users who have a packet at home, by background characteristics, Kazakhstan 1999 |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |
|  | All women |  | Percentage of pill |
| Background characteristic | Percentage using pill | Number of women | could show package |
| Age |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 0.7 | 791 | 44.1 |
| 20-24 | 3.1 | 666 | 38.8 |
| 25-29 | 4.1 | 692 | 72.7 |
| 30-34 | 1.8 | 698 | 77.7 |
| 35-39 | 2.6 | 749 | 82.7 |
| 40-44 | 2.4 | 681 | 41.7 |
| 45-49 | 0.3 | 522 | 61.3 |
| Residence |  |  |  |
| Urban | 3.2 | 2,668 | 62.2 |
| Rural | 0.9 | 2,132 | 61.3 |
| Region |  |  |  |
| Almaty City | 5.8 | 291 | 54.1 |
| South | 1.8 | 1,455 | 81.6 |
| West | 0.8 | 628 | 60.0 |
| Central | 3.8 | 475 | 58.5 |
| North | 1.1 | 1,259 | 41.9 |
| East | 3.6 | 692 | 60.8 |
| Education |  |  |  |
| Primary/secondary | 1.1 | 1,927 | 55.8 |
| Secondary-specia | 2.6 | 1,908 | 68.9 |
| Higher | 3.6 | 965 | 56.0 |
| Ethnicity |  |  |  |
| Kazakh | 1.2 | 2,587 | 68.4 |
| Russian | 3.9 | 1,454 | 57.1 |
| Other | 2.3 | 760 | 66.8 |
| Total | 2.2 | 4,800 | 62.0 |

Pill use is highest among women age 25-29 years (4 percent), urban women (3 percent), women living in Almaty City ( 6 percent), women with higher education ( 4 percent), and Russian women ( 4 percent). Overall, 2.2 percent of respondents reported using the pill, as opposed to 1.5 percent in the 1995 KDHS. Pill use appears to have increased among urban women (from 2.0 to 3.2 percent) and women in their twenties (from 2.0 to 3.1 percent among women 20 to 24 , and from 2.5 to 4.1 percent among women 25 to 29).

Overall, 62 percent of pill users were able to show their pill packets to the interviewer, less than in 1995 (70 percent). The ability to show the package varied by background characteristics, particularly age and region. Women residing in the South region (82 percent) were twice as likely to show their pill package as pill users residing in the North region (42 percent). The ability to show the package also varied by age from a low of 39 percent of users age 20 to 24 to a high of 83 percent among users age 35 to 39 .

Women in Kazakhstan have a choice of types of pills. Table 5.8 indicates that there are 19 brands of pills being used, the most common being Regevidon ( 23 percent).

### 5.7 Number of Children at First Use of Contraception

To make an assessment of the motivations for using family planning methods, women were asked how many living children they had at the time they first used a method of family planning. Women who first use a method before having a child presumably want to delay their childbearing to some time in the future. Women who first employ a method after having one or two children may either want to delay the next child or to limit their childbearing. Women who use a method for the first time after having several children are more likely to be using family planning to stop childbearing, rather than to space their births.

| Table 5.8 Use of pill brands |  |
| :--- | ---: |
| Percent distribution of pill users by |  |
| the brand of pills used, Kazakhstan |  |
| 1999 |  |
|  |  |
| Pill brand | Percent |
|  |  |
| Anovlar | 0.5 |
| Bisecurin | 0.4 |
| Lo-femenal | 4.8 |
| Marvelon | 11.8 |
| Microgynon | 2.8 |
| Non-ovlon | 1.6 |
| Ovidon | 0.4 |
| Postinor | 9.2 |
| Rigevidon | 23.2 |
| Triziston | 0.4 |
| Triquilar | 6.6 |
| Tri-regol | 16.6 |
| Femenal | 0.4 |
| Pharmatex | 2.2 |
| Blue Lady | 4.3 |
| Tryvigidron | 0.4 |
| Antiovin | 1.3 |
| Organometril | 0.4 |
| Exmotol | 0.8 |
| Don't know | 2.9 |
| Missing | 8.7 |
| Total | 100.0 |
| Number | 105 |
|  |  |

Table 5.9 presents the percent distribution of ever-married women by the number of living children they had at the time they first used a method of family planning. The use of family planning to delay the first pregnancy is uncommon in Kazakhstan (10 percent). However, first use of contraception is common among ever-married women with one living child (41 percent).

Table 5.9 Number of children at first use of contraception
Percent distribution of ever-married women by number of living children at the time of first use of contraception and median number of children at first use, according to current age, Kazakhstan 1999

| Current age | Never used contraception | Number of living children at time of first use of contraception |  |  |  |  |  | Total | Median <br> Number number of of women children |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4+ | Missing |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 45.8 | 31.4 | 22.8 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 71 | 0.0 |
| 20-24 | 24.9 | 23.1 | 38.1 | 13.1 | 0.6 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 399 | 0.4 |
| 25-29 | 13.1 | 15.1 | 48.0 | 19.2 | 3.4 | 1.1 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 596 | 0.6 |
| 30-34 | 8.3 | 8.7 | 45.9 | 25.2 | 7.3 | 4.3 | 0.3 | 100.0 | 650 | 0.8 |
| 35-39 | 7.8 | 5.6 | 40.6 | 26.3 | 11.6 | 7.9 | 0.2 | 100.0 | 724 | 1.0 |
| 40-44 | 10.9 | 3.8 | 36.3 | 25.5 | 12.5 | 10.8 | 0.3 | 100.0 | 653 | 1.2 |
| 45-49 | 14.9 | 4.8 | 35.0 | 19.6 | 10.0 | 15.2 | 0.4 | 100.0 | 492 | 1.1 |
| Total | 13.0 | 9.8 | 40.6 | 21.9 | 7.9 | 6.6 | 0.2 | 100.0 | 3,585 | 0.8 |

[^7] report are smaller, by approximately one child, than the values reported in the 1995 KDHS (Table 4.8). The values in the 1995 KDHS report are incorrect. Based on correctly calculated values, there is little change between the 1995 and 1999 estimates of the median number of children at first use of contraception.

Statistics are also shown in Table 5.9 on the median number of living children at the time of first use of contraception for ever-married women who have ever used contraception. Overall, there has been a shift over the past two decades to first use of contraception when there are fewer living children. For example, the median number of children at first use among the younger cohorts of women (below age 35) is less than one child while that for older cohorts ( 35 and above) is one child or more.

### 5.8 Source of Family Planning Methods

In Kazakhstan, most modern methods of contraception, such as the IUD and injectables, are distributed through the public sector free of charge. Public sector sources include women's consulting centers and women's consulting offices of polyclinics. Other modern contraceptives, such as pills and condoms, are available for a fee at commercial facilities.

All women currently using a modern method were asked where they most recently obtained their method. ${ }^{1}$ Table 5.10 shows the percent distribution of all current users of modern contraceptives by the source from which they most recently obtained their method.

| Table 5.10 Source of supply for modern contraceptive methods |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Percent distribution of current users of modern contraceptive methods by most recent source of supply, according to specific methods, Kazakhstan 1999 |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | hod |  |  |
| Source of supply | Pill | IUD | Condom | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Other } \\ & \text { modern } \end{aligned}$ | Total |
| Public | 22.4 | 85.4 | 4.8 | 86.0 | 73.5 |
| Hospital | 3.6 | 33.1 | 0.0 | 57.3 | 29.7 |
| Polyclinic | 3.2 | 11.1 | 1.3 | 1.9 | 9.0 |
| FGP | 2.1 | 4.7 | 2.3 | 2.3 | 4.2 |
| Women's consulting center | 13.5 | 30.5 | 1.0 | 4.4 | 24.6 |
| Maternity house | 0.0 | 5.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 3.8 |
| Other | 0.0 | 1.0 | 0.2 | 20.1 | 2.2 |
| Private medical | 70.8 | 13.7 | 70.6 | 13.3 | 22.8 |
| Hospital/clinic | 0.5 | 0.9 | 0.7 | 0.0 | 0.8 |
| Pharmacy | 70.3 | 12.1 | 62.6 | 13.3 | 20.7 |
| Doctor | 0.0 | 0.4 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.3 |
| Other | 0.0 | 0.2 | 7.2 | 0.0 | 0.9 |
| Other | 4.9 | 0.7 | 15.5 | 0.8 | 2.5 |
| Don't know | 0.0 | 0.0 | 9.2 | 0.0 | 1.0 |
| Missing | 1.9 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.2 |
| Total | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Number of women | 105 | 1,426 | 193 | 130 | 1,853 |
| ${ }^{1}$ Other modern methods includes injectables and diaphragm FGP = Family Group Practices |  |  |  |  |  |

[^8]The majority of women ( 74 percent) obtain their contraceptive method through the public sector. However, this is a substantial decrease from 1995 when 92 percent of women obtained their method from the public sector. Thirty percent of users obtain their method from a hospital, while 25 percent obtain their method from a women's consulting center. In the past five years, all pharmacies have been privatized, and the proportion of women obtaining their contraceptive methods through private facilities has increased from less than 1 percent to 23 percent.

The source of supply of the method depends on the method being used. For example, most women using IUDs obtain them at hospitals ( 33 percent) or women's consulting centers (31 percent). Pharmacies supply 70 percent of pill users and 63 percent of condom users. Pill users also use womens' consulting centers to obtain their pills (14 percent).

### 5.9 Informed Choice

Women should make decisions regarding contraceptive use after having been fully informed of the various methods and side effects or risks associated with the methods. Table 5.11 shows the percentage of sterilized women who were informed that they would not be able to bear more children after the sterilization operation. The table also shows the percentage of current users of modern contraception who were told about the side effects of methods and the different methods available by a health or family planning worker at the time they accepted their current method.

Eighty-four percent of sterilized respondents report that they were informed that they would not be able to bear more children after the procedure. Among women using other methods of contraception, 31 percent were told about the side effects and 28 percent were told what to do if they did experience side effects. Only 19 percent were informed about other methods of contraception. In general, women who received their contraceptive method from a public facility were more likely to have received information than women who received their method from a private facility. It is clear that both public and private health and family planning workers in Kazakhstan are not providing women with the information they need to make an informed choice about contraceptive methods.

### 5.10 Discontinuation within 12 Months of Use

Table 5.12 shows contraceptive discontinuation rates. During the three years preceding the survey, 39 percent of all users of contraception discontinued using the method during the first year of use. The first-year discontinuation rate for the IUD (11 percent) is comparatively low. On the other hand, almost two-thirds of the users of the pill and withdrawal ( 64 and 63 percent, respectively) discontinued within one year of commencing use. Fifty-eight percent of condom users and 48 percent of periodic abstinence users discontinued within 12 months.

Table 5.13 shows the distribution of discontinuations during the last five years of all contraceptive methods by reason for discontinuation. Twenty percent of all discontinuations were attributed to method failure, i.e., accidental pregnancy. The low efficacy of periodic abstinence and withdrawal is evidenced by the high failure rate of these methods during use. Thirty-seven percent of periodic abstinence discontinuations and 28 percent of withdrawal discontinuations were reported to be method failures. Users of diaphragms, foam, or jelly reported method failure as the most common reason for discontinuation ( 36 percent), and 20 percent of condom users reported method failure. This could indicate that users of these methods are not using them properly.

| Table 5.11 Informed choice |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Percentage of current users of modern contraceptive methods by whether they were informed of the effects of contraception and about other methods, according to type of modern method, source of supply and background characteristics, Kazakhstan 1999 |  |  |  |  |
| Characteristic p | Informed that sterilization is permanent ${ }^{1}$ | Informed about side effects of method | Informed about what to do if experienced side effects | Informed about other methods that could be used |
| Modern method |  |  |  |  |
| Female sterilization | 84.0 | 25.4 | 20.9 | 16.7 |
| Pill |  | 48.7 | 41.6 | 44.4 |
| IUD | - | 29.2 | 26.6 | 16.9 |
| Injectables | - | 75.9 | 58.6 | 59.5 |
| Other | - | - |  | 16.4 |
| Source of Current Method |  |  |  |  |
| Public | 84.0 | 31.3 | 28.0 | 19.6 |
| Hospital | 87.7 | 30.7 | 26.6 | 16.7 |
| Polyclinic |  | 34.5 | 30.0 | 23.2 |
| FGP |  | 43.3 | 40.2 | 28.1 |
| Women's consulting center | er | 28.1 | 25.7 | 19.5 |
| Pharmacy |  | 31.6 | 28.8 | 23.5 |
| Maternity house | 73.5 | 39.1 | 37.0 | 18.7 |
| Other | 73.5 | 26.7 | 24.9 | 12.9 |
| Private medical | - | 23.9 | 21.4 | 11.4 |
| Hospital/clinic | - | 53.2 | 53.2 | 18.6 |
| Pharmacy |  | 19.5 | 15.8 | 7.1 |
| Doctor | - | 0.0 | 0.0 | 40.7 |
| Other private medical |  | 20.5 | 20.5 | 0.0 |
| Other | 100.0 | 21.9 | 21.9 | 0.0 |
| Missing | - | 0.0 | 0.0 | 52.1 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |
| Urban | 81.2 | 30.0 | 26.4 | 21.7 |
| Rural | 87.0 | 31.8 | 29.0 | 16.0 |
| Region |  |  |  |  |
| Almaty City | 60.0 | 35.2 | 33.8 | 30.8 |
| South | 84.1 | 48.3 | 44.4 | 28.4 |
| West | 100.0 | 25.9 | 21.1 | 14.2 |
| Central | 95.0 | 21.3 | 17.9 | 18.1 |
| North | 87.3 | 17.9 | 16.2 | 11.3 |
| East | 72.0 | 28.2 | 24.4 | 14.7 |
| Education |  |  |  |  |
| Primary/secondary | 83.1 | 29.4 | 27.0 | 14.0 |
| Secondary-special | 87.2 | 31.7 | 28.1 | 19.8 |
| Higher | 77.4 | 31.4 | 27.7 | 26.2 |
| Ethnicity |  |  |  |  |
| Kazakh | 91.7 | 34.2 | 30.9 | 18.4 |
| Russian | 61.8 | 27.3 | 23.5 | 19.8 |
| Other | 92.8 | 25.9 | 24.1 | 20.4 |
| Total | 84.0 | 30.8 | 27.6 | 19.1 |
| Number of women | 80 | 507 | 454 | 318 |
| ${ }^{1}$ Sterilized women only |  |  |  |  |


| Table 5.12 Contraceptive discontinuation rates |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| First-year contraceptive discontinuation rates due to method failure, desire for pregnancy, health reasons, or other reasons, according to specific method, Kazakhstan 1999 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Reason for discontinuation |  |  |  |  |  |
| Method | Method failure | To become pregnant | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Side } \\ & \text { effects, } \\ & \text { health, } \end{aligned}$ | All other reasons | $\begin{gathered} \text { All } \\ \text { reasons } \end{gathered}$ |
| Pill | 9.9 | 7.0 | 21.4 | 25.8 | 64.1 |
| IUD | 3.1 | 1.4 | 5.2 | 1.6 | 11.2 |
| Condom | 10.5 | 3.4 | 0.4 | 43.2 | 57.6 |
| Periodic abstinence | ce 21.1 | 2.6 | 0.0 | 24.4 | 48.1 |
| Withdrawal | 17.6 | 3.8 | 0.5 | 41.1 | 63.1 |
| Other ${ }^{1}$ | 21.2 | 3.0 | 0.5 | 22.0 | 46.6 |
| Total | 9.7 | 2.9 | 5.7 | 20.2 | 38.5 |
| ${ }^{+}$Other methods includes injectables and diaphragm |  |  |  |  |  |


| Percent distribution of discontinuations of contraceptive methods in the five years preceding the survey by main reason for discontinuation, according to specific method, Kazakhstan 1999 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Reason for discontinuation | Pill | IUD | Injectables | Diaph./ foam/ jelly | Condom | Period. abstinence | Withdrawal | Other | Total |
| Became pregnant | 13.9 | 11.5 | 1.1 | 36.1 | 20.1 | 36.5 | 27.8 | 49.3 | 19.5 |
| To become pregnant | 12.4 | 21.0 | 1.1 | 5.2 | 8.4 | 6.9 | 8.8 | 3.8 | 12.4 |
| Husband disapproved | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 6.5 | 1.9 | 16.9 | 0.0 | 2.9 |
| Side effects | 12.6 | 17.5 | 36.7 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.8 | 8.0 |
| Health concerns | 18.8 | 31.9 | 33.0 | 0.0 | 0.5 | 0.8 | 1.3 | 0.9 | 14.0 |
| Access/availability | 3.4 | 0.1 | 4.9 | 17.5 | 1.3 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.0 |
| More effective meth | 12.4 | 1.7 | 14.2 | 24.8 | 27.7 | 34.2 | 25.5 | 22.8 | 18.7 |
| Inconvenient to use | 3.7 | 3.3 | 3.2 | 4.4 | 7.8 | 6.5 | 6.0 | 8.9 | 5.1 |
| Infrequent sex | 7.1 | 3.5 | 4.3 | 6.5 | 16.7 | 7.0 | 9.0 | 7.1 | 7.2 |
| Cost | 10.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 5.5 | 4.5 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 2.1 |
| Fatalistic | 0.0 | 0.4 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.1 |
| Menopause | 1.0 | 2.2 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.3 | 2.5 | 0.7 | 0.8 | 1.3 |
| Marital dissolution | 0.8 | 0.7 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.1 | 0.7 | 0.5 | 0.8 | 0.7 |
| Other | 2.2 | 5.2 | 1.4 | 0.0 | 2.7 | 1.0 | 1.5 | 1.4 | 5.3 |
| Don't know | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.3 | 0.0 |
| Missing | 1.7 | 0.8 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 2.1 | 1.6 | 1.8 | 3.2 | 1.6 |
| Total | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Number of women | 361 | 970 | 43 | 31 | 511 | 294 | 256 | 170 | 2,899 |

In the early stages of family formation, couples generally prefer using family planning methods that are reversible so they can conceive later. The desire to become pregnant is another important reason for discontinuation of a contraceptive method (12 percent).

Nineteen percent of respondents who discontinued using a contraceptive method did so because they found a more effective method. In particular, users of periodic abstinence, condoms, and withdrawal reported switching to a more effective method. Among users of some methods, side
effects and health concerns figure prominently in a couple's decision to discontinue use. Thirty-one percent of pill users, 49 percent of IUD users, and 70 percent of users of injectables who discontinued the method cited either side effects or health concerns as the reason for discontinuation.

It is noteworthy that 10 percent of respondents who discontinued pill use, and 5 percent of respondents who discontinued using the condom did so because of the cost.

### 5.11 Intention to Use Family Planning among Nonusers

Intentions of women to use family planning methods in the future provide a basis for forecasting potential need for family planning services. The 1999 KDHS asked currently married nonusers of contraception whether they intend to use a method of contraception at some time in the future. Table 5.14 presents the results for currently married women according to the number of living children they have. The results for men are also shown.

| Table 5.14 Future use of contraception |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Percent distribution of currently married women and men who are not using a contraceptive method by intention to use in the future, according to number of living children, Kazakhstan 1999 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Future intentions | Number of living children (women) ${ }^{1}$ |  |  |  |  | All women | All men |
|  | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4+ |  |  |
| Currently married nonusers |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Intend to use in next 12 months | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 11.2 |
| Intend to use later | 50.9 | 52.8 | 40.8 | 40.8 | 40.7 | 44.7 | 4.8 |
| Unsure as to timing | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 2.6 |
| Unsure as to intention | 7.9 | 12.5 | 11.2 | 7.7 | 8.5 | 10.1 | 17.2 |
| Do not intend to use | 41.3 | 33.2 | 47.0 | 50.0 | 50.8 | 44.3 | 62.7 |
| Missing | 0.0 | 1.5 | 1.0 | 1.6 | 0.0 | 0.9 | 1.4 |
| Total | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Number of women/men | 118 | 234 | 329 | 179 | 164 | 1,023 | 345 |
| ${ }^{1}$ Includes current pregnancy |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

Overall, 45 percent of currently married nonusers do intend to use a method of family planning at some time in the future, 44 percent state that they do not intend to use contraception, and 10 percent say that they are not sure about future use. Nonusers who intend to use a method later in the future tend to be women with fewer children. The overall pattern has not changed since the 1995 survey. Of the married women who state that they intend to use a method of contraception in the future, 72 percent intend to use the IUD and 13 percent intend to use the pill (data not shown). The percentage of respondents who do not intend to use contraception increases as the number of children born increases; 33 percent of nonusers with one children as opposed to 51 percent of nonusers with four or more children say they do not intend to use contraception.

A smaller proportion of currently married male nonusers, however, state that they intend to use a contraceptive method in the future. Only 19 percent intend to use a method and another 17 percent are unsure. Sixty-three percent of the currently married male nonusers state that they do not intend to use contraception.

### 5.12 Reasons for Nonuse of Contraception

The 1999 KDHS asked all nonusers who do not intend to use a method of family planning at any time in the future the reason they do not intend to use a method in the future. Table 5.15 presents these results for all women and for women below and above age 30. The most common reason given among older nonusers for not using contraception (41 percent) is menopause or hysterectomy; surprisingly, 16 percent of respondents under age 30 also cited this reason. The most common reason given by younger women was wanting more children ( 50 percent). Male responses followed a similar pattern with older men citing menopause or hysterectomy as the main reason for nonuse ( 49 percent) and younger men stating that they wanted more children ( 61 percent).

It is notable that significantly more women (15 percent) than men (3 percent) claim to be opposed to contraception. Nevertheless, a smaller proportion of female nonusers cite this reason than in the previous KDHS: in 1995, 35 percent of all female respondents who did not intend to use contraception stated that they were opposed to its use.

| Table 5.15 Reasons for not using contraception |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Percent distribution of women and men who are not using any contraceptive method and who do not intend to use in the future, by main reason for not intending to use, Kazakhstan 1999 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Reason | Women |  |  | Men |  |  |
|  | Age |  | Total | Age |  | Total |
|  | $<30$ | $30+$ |  | $<30$ | $30+$ |  |
| Infrequent sex | 2.7 | 6.5 | 6.0 | 0.0 | 3.4 | 3.2 |
| Menopausal, hysterectomy | 15.9 | 40.8 | 38.0 | 0.0 | 49.1 | 46.4 |
| Subfecund, infecund | 7.3 | 16.7 | 15.7 | 4.5 | 11.1 | 10.7 |
| Wants more children | 50.1 | 8.7 | 13.4 | 61.3 | 15.6 | 18.1 |
| Respondent opposed | 9.2 | 15.6 | 14.9 | 0.0 | 3.2 | 3.0 |
| Spouse opposed | 0.8 | 0.3 | 0.4 | 16.7 | 6.6 | 7.2 |
| Religious prohibition | 1.4 | 1.4 | 1.4 | 17.6 | 1.0 | 1.9 |
| Health concerns | 3.3 | 2.3 | 2.4 | 0.0 | 0.3 | 0.2 |
| Fear of side effects | 1.8 | 1.6 | 1.6 | 0.0 | 0.4 | 0.4 |
| Costs too much | 0.0 | 0.7 | 0.7 | 0.0 | 0.3 | 0.2 |
| Inconvenient to use | 1.1 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 1.0 | 0.9 |
| Interferes with body | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.2 | 1.1 |
| Other | 0.0 | 3.4 | 3.0 | 0.0 | 2.4 | 2.3 |
| Don't know | 6.4 | 2.0 | 2.5 | 0.0 | 3.4 | 3.2 |
| Total | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Number of women/men | 51 | 403 | 453 | 12 | 205 | 217 |

### 5.13 Contact of Nonusers of Family Planning with Family Planning Providers

Table 5.16 shows the percent distribution of female nonusers by their exposure to a family planning provider. Only 7 percent of all women in the survey spoke with a professional about family planning during the preceding year. Forty percent did visit a health facility but did not speak about family planning there. More than half of all respondents ( 54 percent) neither saw a family planning worker nor visited a health facility in the 12 month period preceding the survey.

| Table 5.16 Contact of nonusers with family planning providers |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Percent distribution of nonusers by whether they were visited by a family planning (FP) worker or spoke with a health facility staff member about family planning methods during the 12 months prior to interview, according to selected background characteristics, Kazakhstan 1999 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Background characteristic | Visited by a family planning worker |  |  |  |  |  | Neithervisited by FPworker nordiscussedFP at healthMissing $\quad$ facility ${ }^{2}$ |  | Total $\begin{gathered}\text { Number } \\ \text { of } \\ \text { women }\end{gathered}$ |  |
|  | Yes <br> $\frac{\text { Attended health facility }}{\text { Yes }}$ <br> Discussed FP- |  |  | NoAttended health facilityYesDiscussed FP1 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Yes | No | No | Yes | No | No |  |  |  |  |
| Age |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 1.0 | 1.7 | 2.5 | 1.8 | 33.2 | 59.6 | 0.2 | 92.8 | 100.0 | 738 |
| 20-24 | 1.4 | 0.6 | 0.8 | 4.5 | 38.0 | 54.6 | 0.2 | 92.6 | 100.0 | 429 |
| 25-29 | 1.4 | 1.8 | 0.0 | 7.0 | 46.7 | 43.1 | 0.0 | 89.8 | 100.0 | 299 |
| 30-34 | 1.3 | 1.4 | 0.0 | 7.4 | 43.4 | 46.5 | 0.0 | 89.9 | 100.0 | 246 |
| 35-39 | 1.4 | 0.7 | 1.4 | 4.0 | 46.0 | 46.6 | 0.0 | 92.5 | 100.0 | 223 |
| 40-44 | 0.0 | 0.6 | 0.2 | 3.9 | 40.5 | 54.9 | 0.0 | 95.4 | 100.0 | 250 |
| 45-49 | 0.2 | 1.4 | 0.0 | 3.7 | 37.2 | 57.2 | 0.2 | 94.4 | 100.0 | 313 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Urban | 0.9 | 1.5 | 0.8 | 4.1 | 42.3 | 50.3 | 0.0 | 92.6 | 100.0 | 1,357 |
| Rural | 1.1 | 0.9 | 1.3 | 4.0 | 35.1 | 57.3 | 0.3 | 92.4 | 100.0 | 1,140 |
| Region |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Almaty City | 2.3 | 2.3 | 2.7 | 3.3 | 38.1 | 51.2 | 0.0 | 89.3 | 100.0 | 137 |
| South | 1.6 | 1.8 | 0.7 | 4.5 | 40.8 | 50.7 | 0.0 | 91.5 | 100.0 | 844 |
| West | 0.6 | 1.0 | 0.5 | 2.8 | 24.1 | 70.6 | 0.4 | 94.7 | 100.0 | 357 |
| Central | 0.3 | 1.0 | 0.2 | 2.4 | 33.8 | 62.3 | 0.0 | 96.1 | 100.0 | 219 |
| North | 0.6 | 0.6 | 1.2 | 4.8 | 51.7 | 40.8 | 0.3 | 92.5 | 100.0 | 616 |
| East | 0.6 | 0.8 | 2.0 | 4.5 | 30.6 | 61.4 | 0.0 | 92.0 | 100.0 | 324 |
| Education |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Primary/secondary | 1.2 | 1.1 | 1.4 | 3.1 | 34.4 | 58.5 | 0.3 | 92.9 | 100.0 | 1,157 |
| Secondary-special | 0.4 | 1.1 | 0.7 | 4.6 | 43.0 | 50.2 | 0.0 | 93.2 | 100.0 | 872 |
| Higher | 1.7 | 1.7 | 0.7 | 5.5 | 42.9 | 47.5 | 0.0 | 90.3 | 100.0 | 468 |
| Ethnicity |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kazakh | 1.2 | 1.4 | 0.9 | 3.9 | 35.2 | 57.3 | 0.1 | 92.5 | 100.0 | 1,447 |
| Russian | 0.9 | 1.1 | 1.0 | 4.2 | 42.4 | 50.2 | 0.3 | 92.6 | 100.0 | 676 |
| Other | 0.4 | 1.0 | 1.4 | 4.5 | 47.8 | 44.9 | 0.0 | 92.8 | 100.0 | 373 |
| Total | 1.0 | 1.2 | 1.0 | 4.1 | 39.0 | 53.5 | 0.1 | 92.5 | 100.0 | 2,497 |
| ${ }^{1}$ Spoke with a health facility staff member about family planning methods. <br> ${ }^{2}$ Was not visited by a family planning worker and either did not attend a health facility in preceding 12 months or attended facility but did not speak with a staff member about family planning methods. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

### 5.14 Exposure to Family Planning Messages in the Electronic Media

The mass media provide an opportunity to communicate family planning information to a broad spectrum of the population. Approximately 41 percent of the households in Kazakhstan own a radio and nearly all ( 92 percent) own a television (see Table 2.9). All 1999 KDHS respondents were asked whether they had heard a family planning message on the radio or television in the few months prior to the interview. Results are presented in Table 5.17 by background characteristics.

Television is the most common source of messages on family planning- 37 percent of all female respondents have seen a television message, and 16 percent of female respondents have recently heard a family planning message on both radio and television. Only 1.3 percent have heard a radio message but not a television message.

| Table 5.17 Exposure to family planning messages on radio and television |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Percent distribution of women and men by whether they have heard a radio or television message about family planning in the last few months prior to the interview, according to selected background characteristics, Kazakhstan 1999 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Heard family planning message on radio or television |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Background characteristic | Radio \& television | Radio only | Television only | Neither | Missing | Total |  |
| Age |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 12.5 | 0.9 | 30.3 | 56.3 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 791 |
| 20-24 | 16.1 | 1.5 | 36.6 | 45.8 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 666 |
| 25-29 | 15.6 | 1.8 | 38.4 | 44.2 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 692 |
| 30-34 | 16.6 | 1.0 | 39.2 | 43.2 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 698 |
| 35-39 | 18.9 | 1.5 | 42.0 | 37.7 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 749 |
| 40-44 | 15.6 | 1.4 | 37.4 | 45.6 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 681 |
| 45-49 | 21.2 | 0.9 | 35.4 | 42.5 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 522 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Urban | 23.0 | 1.5 | 38.2 | 37.3 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 2,668 |
| Rural | 8.2 | 1.0 | 35.6 | 55.2 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 2,132 |
| Region |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Almaty City | 40.9 | 1.7 | 34.0 | 23.3 | 0.2 | 100.0 | 291 |
| South | 9.5 | 1.3 | 31.3 | 57.9 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 1,455 |
| West | 17.0 | 1.3 | 36.5 | 45.2 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 628 |
| Central | 20.7 | 0.2 | 31.5 | 47.6 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 475 |
| North | 15.0 | 0.8 | 49.1 | 35.1 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 1,259 |
| East | 19.7 | 2.9 | 32.5 | 44.9 | 0.0 | 100.0 | +692 |
| Education |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Primary/secondary | 11.1 | 1.3 | 31.8 | 55.8 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 1,927 |
| Secondary-special | 16.5 | 1.3 | 40.1 | 42.1 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 1,908 |
| Higher | 26.8 | 1.4 | 41.3 | 30.4 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 965 |
| Ethnicity |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kazakh | 12.3 | 1.2 | 32.0 | 54.5 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 2,587 |
| Russian | 23.5 | 1.6 | 41.6 | 33.2 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 1,454 |
| Other | 16.8 | 1.1 | 45.3 | 36.9 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 760 |
| Total women | 16.4 | 1.3 | 37.0 | 45.3 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 4,800 |
| Total men | 13.6 | 1.8 | 42.7 | 41.9 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 1,440 |
| Note: Figures may not add to 100.0 due to rounding. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

Since 1995, those women reporting no exposure to television or radio family planning messages have dropped from 56 to 45 percent, while those women who have heard a message on both television and radio has risen from 9 to 16 percent.

Exposure to television messages varies by residence. Three-quarters ( 75 percent) of women in Almaty City have recently seen a television family planning message, while only 41 percent of women in the South region have seen such a message. Women in Almaty City are also the most likely to have seen both a television message and heard a radio message ( 41 percent).

While television messages can be aimed at viewers of all educational levels, the likelihood that a respondent has recently seen a television message increases steadily with increasing
education. Forty-three percent of respondents with primary or secondary education have recently seen a television message, while 57 and 68 percent of women with secondary-special and higher education have seen such a message. Russian women are more likely than Kazakh women to have seen a television message ( 65 percent and 44 percent, respectively).

### 5.15 Exposure to Family Planning Messages in the Print Media

The high level of literacy in Kazakhstan makes the print media a viable mechanism for communicating family planning information. Seventy-eight percent of all respondents report that they read a newspaper at least once a week. The 1999 KDHS asked women whether they saw a message about family planning in a newspaper or magazine in the few months preceding the interview. Results are presented in Table 5.18 by background characteristics.

Forty-two percent of all respondents reported exposure to a family planning message in a newspaper or magazine. In 1995, the same proportion of respondents had seen a newspaper or magazine family planning message. Exposure to family planning messages in the print media varies by age from a low of 32 percent among 15- to 19-year-olds to a high of 47 percent among women age 35 to 39 . A woman's likelihood of having seen a message in the print media is also related to residence: women residing in Almaty City, for example, are much more likely to have seen a print message than a woman in the South region ( 66 percent versus 32 percent). Russian women are also

Table 5.18 Exposure to family planning messages in print media
Percentage of women who received a message about family planning through the print media (newspaper or magazines) in the last few months prior to the interview, according to selected background characteristics, Kazakhstan 1999

| Background characteristic | Saw family planning message in print media |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Number } \\ & \text { of } \\ & \text { women } \end{aligned}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Yes | No | Total |  |
| Age |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 32.0 | 68.0 | 100.0 | 791 |
| 20-24 | 45.6 | 54.4 | 100.0 | 666 |
| 25-29 | 42.7 | 57.3 | 100.0 | 692 |
| 30-34 | 42.4 | 57.6 | 100.0 | 698 |
| 35-39 | 47.4 | 52.6 | 100.0 | 749 |
| 40-44 | 41.8 | 58.2 | 100.0 | 681 |
| 45-49 | 43.2 | 56.8 | 100.0 | 522 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |
| Urban | 51.2 | 48.8 | 100.0 | 2,668 |
| Rural | 30.4 | 69.6 | 100.0 | 2,132 |
| Region |  |  |  |  |
| Almaty City | 66.4 | 33.6 | 100.0 | 291 |
| South | 31.8 | 68.2 | 100.0 | 1,455 |
| West | 35.5 | 64.5 | 100.0 | 628 |
| Central | 49.5 | 50.5 | 100.0 | 475 |
| North | 49.1 | 50.9 | 100.0 | 1,259 |
| East | 41.0 | 59.0 | 100.0 | 692 |
| Education |  |  |  |  |
| Primary/secondary | 29.2 | 70.8 | 100.0 | 1,927 |
| Secondary-special | 45.7 | 54.3 | 100.0 | 1,908 |
| Higher | 60.1 | 39.9 | 100.0 | 965 |
| Ethnicity |  |  |  |  |
| Kazakh | 34.7 | 65.3 | 100.0 | 2,587 |
| Russian | 51.7 | 48.3 | 100.0 | 1,454 |
| Other | 48.2 | 51.8 | 100.0 | 760 |
| Total | 42.0 | 58.0 | 100.0 | 4,800 |

Note: Figures may not add to 100.0 due to rounding. more likely to have seen a print message than Kazakhs ( 52 percent versus 35 percent).

### 5.16 Red Apple Social Marketing Logo

The "Red Apple" symbol is the logo of the Kazakhstan Contraceptive Social Marketing Program. The Red Apple logo and information about pills, injectables, and where to buy Red Apple contraceptives have been advertised on television, radio, and in newspapers. Besides asking
respondents if they had heard or seen a family planning message, the 1999 KDHS showed women the Red Apple symbol and asked them if they had ever seen it before. Respondents who answered that they had seen the symbol were asked where they had seen it and what the symbol stood for.

Table 5.19 shows respondents' knowledge of the Red Apple symbol. Twenty-six percent of women interviewed reported having seen the Red Apple logo. Exposure to the logo varied greatly by residence. Almost eight in ten Almaty residents had seen the symbol as opposed to less than 20 percent of women residing in the West, Central, North, and East regions. These data reflect the social marketing program's emphasis on the city of Almaty.

Among women who had seen the Red Apple logo, only half knew that the symbol stood for contraceptives or family planning.

| Table 5.19 Knowledge of the Red Apple social marketing logo |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Percent distribution of all women by recognition of the Red Apple social marketing logo (symbol), according to selected background characteristics, Kazakhstan 1999 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Saw Red Apple logo |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Background characteristic | Total who saw logo | Think meaning of logo is: |  |  | Did <br> not <br> see <br> logo | Missing | Total | Number of women |
|  |  | A or C | Other | Don't know/ missing |  |  |  |  |
| Age |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 20.6 | 7.7 | 3.4 | 9.4 | 79.2 | 0.2 | 100.0 | 791 |
| 20-24 | 27.7 | 12.2 | 4.6 | 10.8 | 72.3 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 666 |
| 25-29 | 29.7 | 14.5 | 4.1 | 11.1 | 70.3 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 690 |
| 30-34 | 24.1 | 14.8 | 2.7 | 6.5 | 75.9 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 689 |
| 35-39 | 29.2 | 14.9 | 4.6 | 9.7 | 70.8 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 723 |
| 40-44 | 25.6 | 12.9 | 6.3 | 6.4 | 74.4 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 645 |
| 45-49 | 24.1 | 13.9 | 4.4 | 5.8 | 75.8 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 502 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Urban | 30.2 | 16.2 | 4.7 | 9.3 | 69.8 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 2,620 |
| Rural | 20.4 | 8.7 | 3.7 | 7.9 | 79.6 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 2,085 |
| Region |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Almaty City | 79.4 | 51.4 | 13.7 | 14.2 | 20.6 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 286 |
| South | 30.6 | 13.8 | 5.2 | 11.5 | 69.4 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 1,424 |
| West | 19.8 | 7.9 | 5.1 | 6.9 | 80.2 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 624 |
| Central | 19.8 | 8.8 | 3.0 | 7.9 | 80.1 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 465 |
| North | 17.2 | 7.8 | 1.1 | 8.2 | 82.8 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 1,229 |
| East | 18.6 | 11.0 | 4.1 | 3.5 | 81.4 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 677 |
| Education |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Primary/secondary | 19.6 | 7.5 | 3.0 | 9.2 | 80.3 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 1,888 |
| Secondary-specia | 25.9 | 12.3 | 4.8 | 8.8 | 74.1 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 1,866 |
| Higher | 37.9 | 24.6 | 5.7 | 7.5 | 62.1 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 951 |
| Ethnicity |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kazakh | 24.2 | 11.5 | 4.5 | 8.2 | 75.8 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 2,542 |
| Russian | 28.4 | 15.2 | 4.3 | 8.9 | 71.5 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 1,428 |
| Other | 26.5 | 13.1 | 3.5 | 10.0 | 73.5 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 734 |
| Total | 25.8 | 12.9 | 4.3 | 8.7 | 74.1 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 4,705 |
| A = Family Planning <br> C $=$ Condom, Pills, Family Planning Methods |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

### 5.17 Attitudes of Couples toward Family Planning

Married women were asked how often they had discussed contraception with their husbands or partners in the previous year. Overall, 50 percent of women have discussed contraception with their husbands, the same proportion as in 1995. Of these women, 27 percent reported having discussed contraception three or more times (data not shown).

Married respondents were asked about their perception of their spouse's attitude toward contraception as well as their own attitude. Table 5.20 presents the distribution of couples by the wife's perception of her spouse's attitude toward family planning.

The data show that husbands and wives are often mistaken about their spouse's attitude toward family planning. Overall 69 percent of husbands and 91 percent of wives do approve of family planning. Among women who stated that their husbands disapproved, 39 percent actually approved. Among men who thought that their wives disapproved, only 13 percent actually disapproved, while 79 percent approved. Similarly, some respondents who believed that their spouse supported family planning were mistaken. This indicates that some husbands and wives are not effectively communicating their attitudes towards family planning.

| Percent distribution of couples by husband's and wife's actual attitude toward family planning, according to their spouse's perception of their attitude, Kazakhstan 1999 |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Perception | Spouse's actual attitude toward family planning |  |  | Total | Number of couples |
|  | Approve | sapproves | Unsure |  |  |
| Wife's perception of husband's attitude |  |  |  |  |  |
| Approves | 74.3 | 22.5 | 3.2 | 100.0 | 587 |
| Disapproves | 39.0 | 53.7 | 7.3 | 100.0 | 90 |
| Don't know | 60.7 | 35.8 | 3.5 | 100.0 | 100 |
| Total | 68.5 | 27.8 | 3.7 | 100.0 | 777 |
| Husband's perception of wife's attitude |  |  |  |  |  |
| Approves | 93.7 | 4.9 | 1.4 | 100.0 | 604 |
| Disapproves | 79.3 | 13.4 | 7.3 | 100.0 | 106 |
| Don't know | 84.6 | 7.4 | 8.0 | 100.0 | 67 |
| Total | 90.9 | 6.3 | 2.8 | 100.0 | 777 |

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Induced abortion as a means of fertility control has a long history in the republics of the former Soviet Union. Induced abortion was first legalized in the Soviet Union in 1920 but was banned in 1936 as part of a pronatalist policy emphasizing population growth. This decision was reversed in 1955 when abortion for nonmedical reasons was again legalized throughout the former Soviet Union.

The practice of induced abortion can adversely affect a woman's health, reduce her chances for further childbearing, and contribute to maternal and perinatal mortality. In Kazakhstan, approximately 22 percent of maternal deaths are associated with this practice (Ministry of Health, 1996). In an effort to curtail this practice Kazakhstan's Agency on Health is committed to making modern, safe, and effective contraceptive methods readily available to the population.

Information about induced abortion was collected in the reproductive section of the Women's Questionnaire (see Appendix E). The section began with a series of questions to determine the total number of live births, induced abortions, miscarriages, and stillbirths that a respondent has had. When reporting the number of abortions, respondents were told to include pregnancies terminated by vacuum aspiration (i.e., mini-abortions) ${ }^{1}$. Next an event-by-event pregnancy history was collected. For each pregnancy, the type of outcome and year and month of termination were recorded. ${ }^{2}$

### 6.1 Pregnancy Outcomes

Table 6.1 shows the percent distribution of outcomes for pregnancies terminating during the three-year period preceding the survey (mid-1996 to mid-1999). In Kazakhstan, 52 percent of pregnancies end in a live birth and 48 percent end in fetal wastage (i.e., an induced abortion, a miscarriage, or a stillbirth). Induced abortion is the most commonly reported type of fetal wastage, accounting for 37 percent of all pregnancy outcomes.

Table 6.1 also presents information on pregnancy terminations by background characteristics. Women in all groups use induced abortion as a means of fertility control, but the extent to which they do so varies substantially. For example, urban women abort 46 percent of their pregnancies, while rural women abort 28 percent.

[^9]| Percent distribution of pregnancies terminating in the three years preceding the survey, by type of outcome, according to selected background characteristics, Kazakhstan 1999 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Background characteristic | Pregnancy outcome |  |  |  | Total | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Number } \\ & \text { of } \\ & \text { pregnancies } \end{aligned}$ |
|  | Live birth | Induced abortion | $\begin{gathered} \text { Mis- } \\ \text { carriage } \end{gathered}$ | Stillbirth |  |  |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Urban | 42.0 | 45.8 | 10.2 | 2.0 | 100.0 | 805 |
| Rural | 62.2 | 27.6 | 9.5 | 0.8 | 100.0 | 788 |
| Region |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Almaty City | 32.9 | 58.4 | 8.7 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 74 |
| South | 64.1 | 25.0 | 9.8 | 1.1 | 100.0 | 564 |
| West | 61.2 | 28.3 | 9.5 | 1.0 | 100.0 | 195 |
| Central | 49.7 | 37.4 | 11.0 | 1.9 | 100.0 | 124 |
| North | 41.2 | 47.5 | 9.4 | 1.9 | 100.0 | 427 |
| East | 40.5 | 46.7 | 11.1 | 1.7 | 100.0 | 209 |
| Education |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Primary/secondary | 56.8 | 31.7 | 9.9 | 1.6 | 100.0 | 628 |
| Secondary-special | 47.9 | 40.6 | 10.4 | 1.1 | 100.0 | 708 |
| Higher | 51.0 | 38.9 | 8.4 | 1.7 | 100.0 | 256 |
| Ethnicity |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kazakh | 63.4 | 26.9 | 8.9 | 0.9 | 100.0 | 905 |
| Russian | 38.5 | 48.6 | 10.1 | 2.7 | 100.0 | 399 |
| Other | 34.8 | 51.5 | 12.4 | 1.2 | 100.0 | 288 |
| Total | 52.0 | 36.8 | 9.9 | 1.4 | 100.0 | 1,593 |

Recourse to induced abortion also varies by region. As expected, levels of abortion and fertility are inversely correlated. In the relatively low fertility areas of Almaty City and the North and the East regions, women abort approximately half of their pregnancies (58, 48, and 47 percent respectively). In the high-fertility South and West regions, on the other hand, women abort a smaller proportion of pregnancies ( 25 and 28 percent respectively).

Education and ethnicity are associated with pregnancy outcome. For example, women of Russian ethnicity are almost twice as likely to abort a pregnancy (49 percent) as Kazakh women (27 percent).

Overall, the pattern of pregnancy outcome is similar to the 1995 KDHS, in which 38 percent of all pregnancies ended in an induced abortion.

### 6.2 Lifetime Experience with Induced Abortion

Table 6.2 shows the lifetime experience of women with abortion. It should be noted that the statistics on the proportion of women who have ever had an abortion are based on all women $15-49$ irrespective of their exposure to the risk of pregnancy.

Overall, 40 percent of women of reproductive age in Kazakhstan have had at least one abortion. As expected, the percentage who have had an abortion increases rapidly with age; from

16 percent among women 20-24 to 63 percent among women 35 and older. Differences are large by urban-rural residence; rural women have less experience with abortion ( 33 percent) than urban women ( 45 percent). Regional and ethnic differences are even greater; 50 percent of women in the North region report experience with abortion compared with 29 percent in the South region, and 27 percent of Kazakh women have had an induced abortion compared with 55 percent of Russian women.

Table 6.2 also presents information on repeat use of induced abortion. Among women who have ever had an abortion, a majority ( 64 percent) have had more than one. Among women age 35 and older who have had an abortion, 71 percent have had more than one. Among these women, the mean number of abortions is 3.0 , and 10 percent have had 6 or more abortions. It is clear that among women who have used abortion to control their fertility, repeat use has been common.

## Table 6.2 Lifetime experience with induced abortion

Percentage of women who have had at least one induced abortion and, among these women, the percent distribution by the number of induced abortions and the mean number of induced abortions, according to selected background characteristics, Kazakhstan 1999

| Background characteristic | Percentage of women who had an induced abortion | Among women who have had an induced abortion, percentage who have had specific numbers of abortions |  |  |  |  | Mean number of abortions | Number <br> of women |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | 1 | 2-3 | 4-5 | $6+$ | Total |  |  |
| Age |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $<20$ | 1.6 | 84.2 | 15.8 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 1.2 | 791 |
| 20-24 | 15.5 | 54.6 | 41.8 | 3.5 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 1.6 | 810 |
| 25-34 | 43.2 | 46.5 | 39.9 | 9.9 | 3.6 | 100.0 | 2.1 | 1,246 |
| 35+ | 62.7 | 29.3 | 44.1 | 16.3 | 10.3 | 100.0 | 3.0 | 1,953 |
| No. of live births |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0 | 4.9 | 60.3 | 37.8 | 1.9 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 1.5 | 1,427 |
| 1 | 44.7 | 43.9 | 40.4 | 10.9 | 4.8 | 100.0 | 2.4 | 946 |
| 2-3 | 61.4 | 31.8 | 43.9 | 14.7 | 9.6 | 100.0 | 2.9 | 1,923 |
| 4-5 | 47.9 | 37.2 | 41.1 | 16.9 | 4.9 | 100.0 | 2.5 | 416 |
| $6+$ | 32.3 | 41.6 | 41.2 | 10.8 | 6.4 | 100.0 | 2.3 | 89 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Urban | 45.0 | 35.9 | 44.3 | 12.7 | 7.1 | 100.0 | 2.6 | 2,668 |
| Rural | 32.8 | 36.8 | 39.6 | 14.9 | 8.7 | 100.0 | 2.7 | 2,132 |
| Region |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Almaty City | 47.0 | 29.8 | 47.8 | 13.7 | 8.7 | 100.0 | 2.7 | 291 |
| South | 28.5 | 41.4 | 42.9 | 8.7 | 7.0 | 100.0 | 2.4 | 1,455 |
| West | 30.5 | 45.3 | 43.6 | 8.7 | 2.4 | 100.0 | 2.0 | 628 |
| Central | 45.0 | 34.5 | 44.4 | 15.9 | 5.2 | 100.0 | 2.7 | 475 |
| North | 49.7 | 32.2 | 40.4 | 16.7 | 10.7 | 100.0 | 3.0 | 1,259 |
| East | 45.7 | 35.8 | 42.4 | 14.9 | 6.9 | 100.0 | 2.7 | 692 |
| Education |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Primary/secondary | 29.8 | 35.6 | 38.5 | 14.9 | 10.9 | 100.0 | 2.9 | 1,927 |
| Secondary-special | 49.4 | 34.1 | 44.5 | 13.9 | 7.5 | 100.0 | 2.7 | 1,908 |
| Higher | 39.6 | 42.5 | 43.9 | 10.5 | 3.1 | 100.0 | 2.1 | 965 |
| Ethnicity |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kazakh | 27.1 | 44.9 | 42.8 | 8.9 | 3.4 | 100.0 | 2.1 | 2,587 |
| Russian | 55.4 | 31.4 | 41.0 | 16.8 | 10.8 | 100.0 | 3.0 | 1,454 |
| Other | 51.9 | 30.6 | 45.3 | 15.2 | 8.9 | 100.0 | 2.8 | 756 |
| Marital status |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Never married | 4.1 | 63.6 | 35.5 | 0.9 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 1.4 | 1,215 |
| Currently married, living together | 50.7 | 36.3 | 42.4 | 13.5 | 7.8 | 100.0 | 2.7 | 3,018 |
| Ever married | 56.3 | 31.7 | 44.6 | 15.7 | 8.0 | 100.0 | 2.8 | 567 |
| Total | 39.6 | 36.2 | 42.6 | 13.5 | 7.7 | 100.0 | 2.7 | 4,800 |

### 6.3 Rates of Induced Abortion

In this section rates of induced abortion are shown for the three-year period preceding the 1999 KDHS (mid-1996 to mid-1999). Three types of rates are presented; age-specific rates, the total abortion rate (TAR), and the general abortion rate (GAR). The age-specific rates, which are shown per 1,000 women, represent the probability that women of a given age will have an abortion during a period of one year. The TAR, which is expressed per woman, is a summary measure of the age-specific rates. The TAR is interpreted as the number abortions a woman would have in her lifetime if she experienced the currently observed age-specific rates during her childbearing years.

As shown in Table 6.3, at the national level, the age-specific rates for induced abortion increase in the first few age groups of women, peak among women aged 25-29 (87 per 1,000), and decline in the older age groups. The pattern is such that the age-specific rates for abortion are less than the fertility rates of women under age 35 but are greater than the fertility rates for older women (Figure 6.1).

| Age-specific induced abortion rates, total abortion rates, and general abortion rates for the three-year period before the survey, by residence and ethnicity, Kazakhstan 1999 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | ence |  | Ethnicity |  |  |
| Age | Urban | Rural | Kazakh | Russian | Other | Total ${ }^{1}$ |
| 15-19 | 0.017 | 0.006 | 0.003 | 0.036 | 0.003 | 0.012 |
| 20-24 | 0.071 | 0.042 | 0.034 | 0.063 | 0.133 | 0.057 |
| 25-29 | 0.099 | 0.072 | 0.065 | 0.120 | 0.118 | 0.087 |
| 30-34 | 0.071 | 0.058 | 0.052 | 0.082 | 0.081 | 0.065 |
| 35-39 | 0.043 | 0.046 | 0.044 | 0.027 | 0.073 | 0.044 |
| 40-44 | 0.023 | 0.016 | 0.013 | 0.019 | 0.044 | 0.020 |
| 45-49 | 0.002 | 0.001 | 0.000 | 0.002 | 0.006 | 0.002 |
| TAR 15-49 | 1.630 | 1.204 | 1.060 | 1.746 | 2.295 | 1.437 |
| TAR 15-44 | 1.619 | 1.198 | 1.060 | 1.736 | 2.267 | 1.427 |
| GAR | 53.792 | 39.721 | 35.794 | 53.964 | 75.868 | 47.462 |
| TAR: Total abortion rate expressed per woman <br> GAR: General abortion rate (induced abortions divided by number of women 15-44) expressed per 1,000 women <br> Includes Kazakh, Russian, and other ethnic groups |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

The age-specific rates imply a lifetime TAR of 1.4 abortions per woman. This estimate can be compared with the estimates for Uzbekistan and the Kyrgyz Republic derived from national-level surveys recently conducted in those countries. The estimate for Kazakhstan is slightly less than the estimate for the Kyrgyz Republic (1.6 abortions per woman, mid-1994 to mid-1997) but is substantially greater than the estimate for Uzbekistan ( 0.7 abortions per woman, mid-1993 to mid1996) (RIOP and MI, 1998; IOG and MI, 1997).

Table 6.3 also shows induced abortion rates by residence and ethnicity. Age-specific abortion rates in the urban areas exceed the rural rates, except among women 35 to 39 . The urban TAR (1.6 abortions per woman) exceeds the rural TAR (1.2) by 33 percent (Figure 6.2). The differentials by ethnicity are even greater than by residence. The TAR for Russian women (1.7 abortions per woman) exceeds the TAR for Kazakh women (1.1) by about 55 percent.

## Figure 6.1 Age-specific Rates of Fertility (ASFR) and Induced Abortion (ASAR)



KDHS 1999

## Figure 6.2 Total Induced Abortion Rate by Background Characteristics



### 6.4 Time Trends in Induced Abortion

An indication of time trends in induced abortion can be obtained by comparing values of the TAR for the three years preceding the 1995 KDHS and the 1999 KDHS. Table 6.4 and Figure 6.3 indicate that for all of Kazakhstan, the current TAR (1.4 abortions per woman) is less than the TAR of the 1995 KDHS (1.8). Declines in the TAR have occurred regardless of residence or educational attainment. Not all ethnic groups, however, have exhibited a change in rates. The TAR among Kazakhs appears to have remained stable at 1.1, while the TAR among Russians has declined by 33 percent from 2.7 to 1.8.

### 6.5 Abortion Rates from the Agency on Health

| Table 6.4 Time trends in induced abortion |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Total induced abortion rate for the threeyear period preceding the 1995 and 1999 |  |  |
| KDHS, by residence and ethnicity, Kazakhstan 1999 |  |  |
| Characteristic | $1995{ }^{1}$ | 1999 |
| Residence |  |  |
| Urban | 1.97 | 1.63 |
| Rural | 1.48 | 1.20 |
| Ethnicity |  |  |
| Kazakh | 1.11 | 1.06 |
| Russian | 2.74 | 1.75 |
| Total | 1.75 | 1.44 |
| ${ }^{\top}$ Source: Kazakhstan Demographic and Health Surveys 1995 (NIN and MI, 1996). |  |  |

The Agency on Health (AOH) has for many years collected abortion data through a registration system that operates in all of its facilities. The data on induced abortion are shown in terms of annual rates per 1,000 women of childbearing age. Comparison of the AOH data with that of the KDHS will be useful as a means of evaluating the reliability of the two data sets.

Figure 6.3 Age-specific Abortion Rates, 1995 KDHS and 1999 KDHS


Table 6.5 compares estimates of the GAR based on data from the KDHS and from the Agency on Health for two periods: the three years preceding the 1995 KDHS (1993-1995) and the three years preceding the 1999 KDHS (19971999). For the earlier period the estimates of the AOH and KDHS are quite close: 57 per 1,000 for the 1995 KDHS and 55 for the AOH. For the more recent period, the rates are quite different: 47 per 1,000 for the 1999 KDHS and 32 for the AOH. The trends of the two sets of rates are quite different. The KDHS rates show a decline of 18 percent between the two periods, while the AOH rates show a decline of 41 percent.

## Table 6.5 Comparison of abortion rates

General abortion rates (induced abortions per 1,000 women of childbearing age) by period, and percentage decline, Agency on Health and KDHS, 1992-99

|  | Time period |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Source | $1992-95$ | $1996-99$ | Percent <br> decline |
| KDHS | 57 | 47 | 18 |
| Agency on Health | 55 | 32 | 41 |

Note: Rates for the KDHS are displaced six months from the dates shown. The KDHS rate for 1992-95 is calculated for the three years preceding the survey, from mid-1992 to mid-1995. Similarly, the rate for 1996-99 is for mid-1996 to mid-1999 (see Table 6.3). Source: Agency on Health (1995-1999)

### 6.6 Contraceptive Use before Abortion

For each pregnancy terminated by induced abortion in the three years preceding the survey, respondents were asked whether they were using a method of contraception at the time they became pregnant, and if so, which method.

Fifty-two percent of induced abortions were preceded by contraceptive failure (Table 6.6). Although more than half of method failures that resulted in abortion occurred while using modern methods (primarily the IUD), 46 percent occurred while using traditional methods. It seems clear that the availability of more reliable methods would reduce the incidence of induced abortion.

| Table 6.6 Use of contraception before pregnancy |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Percent distribution of live births, induced abortions, miscarriages, stillbirths, and all pregnancies in the three years preceding the survey, by contraceptive method used (if any) at the time of conception, Kazakhstan 1999 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Contraceptive method | Live births | Induced abortions | Miscarriage | Still- birth | $\underset{\text { All }}{\text { All }}$ |
| No contraception | 82.6 | 47.6 | 65.6 | 72.3 | 67.9 |
| Any method | 17.4 | 52.4 | 34.4 | 27.7 | 32.1 |
| Any modern method | 10.5 | 28.0 | 17.3 | 18.6 | 17.8 |
| Pill | 1.2 | 4.5 | 4.6 | 0.0 | 2.8 |
| IUD | 6.2 | 13.0 | 8.6 | 0.0 | 8.8 |
| Condom | 3.1 | 9.5 | 4.1 | 18.6 | 5.8 |
| Foam/jelly | 0.0 | 1.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.4 |
| Any traditional method | 7.0 | 24.2 | 17.1 | 9.1 | 14.3 |
| Periodic abstinence | 2.4 | 9.5 | 7.4 | 6.3 | 5.5 |
| Withdrawal | 2.9 | 6.3 | 4.8 | 0.0 | 4.3 |
| Lactational amenorrhea | 0.3 | 1.9 | 1.5 | 2.8 | 1.1 |
| Other | 1.4 | 6.5 | 3.4 | 0.0 | 3.4 |
| Total | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Number of pregnancies | 822 | 580 | 157 | 22 | 1,581 |

### 6.7 Service Providers and Procedures Used

All women who had an induced abortion in the three years prior to the survey were asked where the abortion was performed and which procedure was used. Table 6.7 indicates that a majority of abortions were performed at delivery hospitals ( 32 percent) and government hospitals ( 29 percent). Women's consulting centers accounted for 20 percent of abortions, and hospitals' fee-for-service departments accounted for another 10 percent.

Table 6.7 also shows the distribution of abortions by procedure used. Dilation and curettage was the procedure used for more than half of the abortions ( 51 percent), while vacuum aspiration was employed for the remaining cases (49 percent).

| Table 6.7 Source of services and type of procedure used for abortion |  |
| :---: | :---: |
| Percent distribution of induced abortions in the three years preceding the survey by source of services and type of procedure used, Kazakhstan 1999 |  |
| Characteristic | Percent |
| Source of services |  |
| Delivery hospital | 31.8 |
| Government hospital | 28.9 |
| Public fee-for-service | 9.6 |
| Private clinic | 5.0 |
| Women's consulting center | 19.5 |
| Family group practice | 0.6 |
| Other | 3.4 |
| Missing | 1.3 |
| Procedure |  |
| Dilation and curettage | 51.2 |
| Vacuum aspiration | 48.8 |
| Total | 100.0 |
| Number of induced abortions | 580 |

## OTHER PROXIMATE DETERMINANTS OF FERTILITY

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This chapter addresses the principal factors, other than contraception and abortion, which affect a woman's risk of becoming pregnant. These include nuptiality, sexual activity, postpartum amenorrhea and abstinence from sexual relations. Marriage is an overall indicator of exposure to the risk of pregnancy. More direct measures of exposure are age at first sexual intercourse and the frequency of intercourse. Postpartum amenorrhea and abstinence affect the interval between births. These factors determine the length and pace of reproductive activity and are therefore important in understanding fertility.

### 7.1 Marital Status

Table 7.1 and Figure 7.1 show the distribution of all women and men by marital status at the time of the survey. The term "married" refers to legal or formal marriage (civil or religious), while "living together" refers to informal unions. In subsequent tables, these two categories are merged and referred to collectively as "currently married" or "currently in union." Persons who are widowed, divorced, and not living together (separated) make up the remainder of the "evermarried" or "ever in union" category.

Nearly two-thirds of women age 15-49 are currently in a union (63 percent are married or living together). However, a fair proportion of women enter their twenties having never been married; 40 percent of women age 20-24 have never been married, up from 32 percent at the time of the 1995 KDHS. Seventy-nine percent of women age 30 and older are in a union; 14 percent are widowed or divorced. As expected, the proportion of women who are widowed increases with age reaching 9 percent among women 45-49 years old.

Younger men (under the age of 30) are less likely than women to be married; however, older men (age 35 and above) are more likely to be currently married. Two-thirds of men in their early twenties ( 66 percent) have not yet married, compared with 40 percent of women. About equal proportions of men and women age 30-34 are currently married, while 91 percent of men age 35-59 are currently married compared with only 79 percent of women age 35-49.

### 7.2 Age at First Marriage

Marriage is an important demographic and social indicator; it generally marks the point in a person's life when parenthood becomes welcome. Information on age at first marriage was obtained by asking all ever-married respondents the month and year they started living together with their first spouse. The data in Tables 7.2 and 7.3 show that the median age at marriage has been steady at about 21 years for women and 23 to 24 years for men. This finding indicates that half the women in Kazakhstan marry before the age of 21 and half the men marry before the age of 24 .

## Table 7.1 Current marital status

Percent distribution of women and men by current marital status, according to age, Kazakhstan 1999

| Age | Marital status |  |  |  |  |  | Total | Number of women/ men |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Never married | Married | Living together | Widowed | Divorced | Not living together |  |  |
| WOMEN |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 91.0 | 7.5 | 0.5 | 0.0 | 0.4 | 0.5 | 100.0 | 791 |
| 20-24 | 40.1 | 51.2 | 1.7 | 0.2 | 4.5 | 2.3 | 100.0 | 666 |
| 25-29 | 13.9 | 71.8 | 1.4 | 1.4 | 8.2 | 3.3 | 100.0 | 692 |
| 30-34 | 7.0 | 76.5 | 1.6 | 2.8 | 10.5 | 1.6 | 100.0 | 698 |
| 35-39 | 3.4 | 80.5 | 1.9 | 3.7 | 8.3 | 2.2 | 100.0 | 749 |
| 40-44 | 4.0 | 78.8 | 1.8 | 5.6 | 8.6 | 1.2 | 100.0 | 681 |
| 45-49 | 5.9 | 72.7 | 0.9 | 9.3 | 9.9 | 1.3 | 100.0 | 522 |
| Total | 25.3 | 61.5 | 1.4 | 3.0 | 7.0 | 1.8 | 100.0 | 4,800 |
| MEN |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 99.5 | 0.5 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 226 |
| 20-24 | 65.6 | 29.9 | 1.7 | 0.3 | 1.4 | 1.2 | 100.0 | 182 |
| 25-29 | 25.1 | 67.0 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 5.4 | 2.1 | 100.0 | 176 |
| 30-34 | 16.1 | 76.4 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 6.3 | 0.9 | 100.0 | 172 |
| 35-39 | 3.0 | 92.2 | 0.0 | 0.4 | 4.0 | 0.5 | 100.0 | 229 |
| 40-44 | 2.8 | 87.0 | 0.9 | 0.5 | 7.4 | 1.4 | 100.0 | 164 |
| 45-49 | 4.3 | 89.9 | 0.0 | 1.1 | 4.7 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 122 |
| 50-54 | 0.5 | 94.2 | 0.0 | 1.0 | 3.7 | 0.5 | 100.0 | 104 |
| 55-59 | 0.0 | 93.9 | 0.0 | 4.8 | 1.3 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 65 |
| Total | 30.1 | 64.4 | 0.4 | 0.5 | 3.8 | 0.8 | 100.0 | 1,440 |

Note: Figures may not add to 100.0 due to rounding.

Cohort trends in age at marriage can also be described by comparing the cumulative distribution for successive age groups, as shown in Tables 7.2 and $7.3^{1}$ Women and men in Kazakhstan generally marry within a fairly narrow age range, although men marry a bit later, and in not quite as narrow an age range as do women. One-third of women are married by age 20, and nearly an additional third by age 22 . One-third of men are married by age 22, with an additional third married by age 25 .

Table 7.4 presents the median ages at marriage for women age 25-49 and men age 25-59. There are a few findings of note. The first is a differential in median age at marriage among women of different educational levels-age at marriage increases with increasing education. A differential of at least two years in the median from least to most educated occurs within every age group; women with a higher education have a median age at marriage of 23.2 years, which is three years older than women with only a primary or secondary education (20.0 years). This differential, observed among women in many societies, does not occur among men. The median age at

[^10]marriage among men remains steady at around 23 or 24 years for all age groups and levels of education．The one－year differential in median age at marriage between ethnic Kazakhs and ethnic Russians holds true for both women and men．Ethnic Kazakh women and men exhibit a median age at marriage of around 22 and 24，respectively；however，ethnic Russian women and men marry one year younger，around the ages of 21 and 23，respectively．Overall，men exhibit a median age at marriage that is more than two years older than women．

Figure 7．1 Marital Status of Respondents

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KDHS 1899

## 7．3 Age at First Sexual Intercourse

While age at first marriage is commonly used as a proxy for exposure to intercourse，the two events do not always coincide exactly．People may engage in sexual relations prior to marriage； thus，using marriage alone as an indicator of sexual activity would underestimate the percentage of the population that is sexually active．The 1999 KDHS asked women and men to state the age at which they first had sexual intercourse．The results are presented in Tables 7．5 and 7．6．

By comparing Table 7.5 with Tables 7.2 and 7.3 ，it can be seen that the proportion of women having first intercourse by specific ages is slightly higher than the proportions married at that age．For example， 33 percent of women are married by age 20 while 39 percent have had sexual intercourse by age 20 ．

The majority of men have initiated sexual activity in their teen years．Two－thirds of 20 －to 24 －year－old men（ 69 percent）report having had intercourse by age 20 ，while less than 10 percent are married by that age（latter figure not shown）．Three－quarters of men age 25 and older （ 78 percent）have initiated sexual activity by the age of 22 ，while only one－third（ 30 percent）are married by that age．

Table 7.2 Age at first marriage: women
Percentage of ever-married women who were first married by exact age $15,18,20,22$, and 25 , and median age at first marriage, according to current age, Kazakhstan 1999

| Current age | Percentage first married by exact age: |  |  |  |  | Percentage who never married | Number of women | Median age at first marriage |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 15 | 18 | 20 | 22 | 25 |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 0.2 | NA | NA | NA | NA | 91.0 | 791 | a |
| 20-24 | 0.3 | 14.4 | 39.9 | NA | NA | 40.1 | 666 | a |
| 25-29 | 0.2 | 9.6 | 39.8 | 66.1 | 81.4 | 13.9 | 692 | 20.7 |
| 30-34 | 0.3 | 6.6 | 31.9 | 62.5 | 83.4 | 7.0 | 698 | 21.1 |
| 35-39 | 0.3 | 6.1 | 31.0 | 56.0 | 82.1 | 3.4 | 749 | 21.5 |
| 40-44 | 0.1 | 7.7 | 29.3 | 55.8 | 80.8 | 4.0 | 681 | 21.6 |
| 45-49 | 0.7 | 8.4 | 35.5 | 58.4 | 77.1 | 5.9 | 522 | 21.2 |
| 25-49 | 0.3 | 7.6 | 33.4 | 59.8 | 81.2 | 6.8 | 3,343 | 21.2 |

NA = Not applicable
${ }^{\text {a }}$ Omitted because less than 50 percent in the age group $x$ to $x+4$ had married by age $x$.

| Table 7.3 Age at first marriage: men |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Percentage of ever-married men who were first married by exact age 20, 22, 25, 28, and 30, and median age at first marriage, according to current age, Kazakhstan 1999 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | ge firs exact |  |  | Percentage who | Number | Median age at |
| Current age | 20 | 22 | 25 | 28 | 30 | married | men | marriage |
| 25-29 | 8.1 | 31.4 | 60.6 | NA | NA | 25.1 | 176 | 23.7 |
| 30-34 | 7.9 | 25.4 | 61.8 | 78.0 | 80.6 | 16.1 | 172 | 23.7 |
| 35-39 | 6.0 | 32.3 | 67.5 | 85.0 | 90.3 | 3.0 | 229 | 23.1 |
| 40-44 | 6.1 | 31.5 | 67.9 | 87.3 | 92.1 | 2.8 | 164 | 23.5 |
| 45-49 | 12.7 | 33.8 | 68.5 | 83.4 | 91.3 | 4.3 | 122 | 22.9 |
| 50-54 | 13.9 | 31.9 | 69.9 | 89.3 | 94.2 | 0.5 | 104 | 23.2 |
| 55-59 | 6.6 | 17.8 | 56.0 | 87.9 | 91.1 | 0.0 | 65 | 24.5 |
| 25-59 | 8.3 | 30.1 | 65.1 | 82.9 | 86.9 | 8.6 | 1,032 | 23.5 |
| NA = Not applicable |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

Table 7.6 presents the median age at first intercourse by age and selected background characteristics. Differentials among women in median age at first intercourse generally mimic the differentials seen in median age at marriage. Median age at first intercourse increases with increasing education, varying by as much as two years in age. And ethnic Russian women exhibit a median age at first intercourse that is one year younger than ethnic Kazakh women. Ethnic Russian men exhibit a median age at first intercourse that is two years younger than ethnic Kazakh men. Men, however, do not exhibit an increasing median age with increasing education.

By comparing Tables 7.6 and 7.4, it can be seen that among women, median age at first intercourse is generally about one-half year younger than the median age at marriage. Although in the North and East regions, women exhibit a median age at first intercourse that is nearly one year younger than their median age at marriage. A one-year differential is also seen among Russian women under the age of 35 .

| Table 7.4 Median age at first marriage |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Median age at first marriage among women age 25-49 years and men age 25-59 years, by current age and selected background characteristics, Kazakhstan 1999 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Current age |  |  |  |  |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { Women } \\ \text { age } \\ 25-49 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Men } \\ \text { age } \\ 25-59 \end{gathered}$ |
| characteristic | 25-29 | 30-34 | 35-39 | 40-44 | 45-49 | 50-59 |  |  |
| WOMEN |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Urban | 20.8 | 21.1 | 21.5 | 21.5 | 21.7 | - | 21.3 | - |
| Rural | 20.5 | 21.0 | 21.6 | 21.6 | 20.5 | - | 21.2 | - |
| Region |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Almaty City | 20.8 | 21.4 | 21.7 | 22.0 | 22.4 | - | 21.6 | - |
| South | 20.7 | 20.9 | 21.5 | 21.1 | 20.7 | - | 20.9 | - |
| West | 20.7 | 21.1 | 21.7 | 22.3 | 21.6 | - | 21.5 | - |
| Central | 20.5 | 21.1 | 21.6 | 21.0 | 21.7 | - | 21.2 | - |
| North | 20.5 | 21.0 | 21.3 | 21.9 | 21.1 | - | 21.3 | - |
| East | 21.0 | 21.7 | 21.7 | 21.7 | 21.2 | - | 21.6 | - |
| Education |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Primary/secondary | 19.8 | 19.9 | 19.8 | 20.8 | 19.8 | - | 20.0 | - |
| Secondary-special | 20.7 | 21.0 | 21.5 | 21.5 | 21.0 | - | 21.1 | - |
| Higher | 22.2 | 22.4 | 23.5 | 23.2 | 24.6 | - | 23.2 | - |
| Ethnicity |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kazakh | 21.3 | 21.5 | 22.2 | 22.0 | 21.5 | - | 21.7 | - |
| Russian | 20.0 | 20.4 | 20.7 | 21.2 | 21.2 | - | 20.7 | - |
| Other | 19.8 | 20.7 | 20.9 | 21.7 | 20.6 | - | 20.8 | - |
| Total | 20.7 | 21.1 | 21.5 | 21.6 | 21.2 | - | 21.2 | - |
|  |  |  | ME |  |  |  |  |  |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Urban | 23.2 | 23.1 | 23.3 | 23.6 | 22.7 | 23.7 | - | 23.4 |
| Rural | 24.5 | 24.0 | 22.9 | 23.2 | 23.2 | 23.7 | - | 23.6 |
| Region |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Almaty City | 23.3 | 23.8 | 22.8 | 22.9 | 23.9 | 24.8 | - | 23.5 |
| South | 24.7 | 23.7 | 24.2 | 23.3 | 25.4 | 24.0 | - | 24.1 |
| West | - | 24.2 | 23.6 | 24.1 | 24.3 | 24.1 | - | 24.2 |
| Central | 23.4 | 22.4 | 23.3 | 23.4 | 22.6 | 24.8 | - | 23.3 |
| North | 22.6 | 23.9 | 22.2 | 23.3 | 21.5 | 23.0 | - | 22.6 |
| East | 22.7 | 24.3 | 23.9 | 23.7 | 22.4 | 24.1 | - | 23.7 |
| Education |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Primary/secondary | 23.3 | 23.6 | 23.6 | 23.2 | 22.7 | 23.4 | - | 23.3 |
| Secondary-special | 23.9 | 23.9 | 22.8 | 23.4 | 23.1 | 24.1 | - | 23.4 |
| Higher | 23.2 | 24.0 | 24.3 | 24.6 | 22.9 | 24.3 | - | 23.9 |
| Ethnicity |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kazakh | 24.9 | 23.7 | 23.4 | 23.9 | 24.0 | 23.9 | - | 23.9 |
| Russian | 22.4 | 24.1 | 22.0 | 23.4 | 22.3 | 23.5 | - | 22.9 |
| Other | 23.6 | 23.2 | 23.7 | 21.8 | 23.3 | 23.7 | - | 23.3 |
| Total | 23.7 | 23.7 | 23.1 | 23.5 | 22.9 | 23.7 | - | 23.5 |

Note: The medians for women and men 15-19 and 20-24 could not be determined because less than 50 percent were married by ages 15 and 20 in all subgroups shown in the table.

Age differentials among women for initiation of intercourse and marriage are overshadowed by the age differentials among men. Overall, men exhibit a median age at first intercourse that is four years younger than their median age at marriage. Men age 25-29 exhibit a median age at first intercourse that is five years younger than their median age at marriage.

| Table 7.5 Age at first sexual intercourse |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Percentage of women and men who had first sexual intercourse by exact age 15, 18, 20, 22, and 25, and median age at first intercourse, according to current age, Kazakhstan 1999 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Percentage who had first intercourse by exact age: |  |  |  |  | Percentage who | Number of | Median age at |
| Current age | 15 | 18 | 20 | 22 | 25 | intercourse | men | intercourse |
| WOMEN |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 1.1 | NA | NA | NA | NA | 82.5 | 791 | a |
| 20-24 | 1.9 | 25.5 | 50.1 | NA | NA | 30.3 | 666 | a |
| 25-29 | 0.1 | 15.2 | 48.1 | 73.2 | 86.3 | 7.2 | 692 | 20.1 |
| 30-34 | 0.5 | 10.1 | 39.8 | 66.9 | 85.0 | 2.6 | 698 | 20.6 |
| 35-39 | 0.7 | 8.5 | 34.8 | 60.3 | 83.1 | 1.9 | 749 | 21.1 |
| 40-44 | 0.1 | 9.1 | 33.3 | 59.1 | 82.0 | 1.7 | 681 | 21.3 |
| 45-49 | 0.7 | 11.2 | 37.0 | 59.7 | 79.2 | 2.2 | 522 | 21.0 |
| 25-49 | 0.4 | 10.8 | 38.6 | 64.0 | 83.3 | 3.2 | 3,343 | 20.8 |
| MEN |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 5.9 | NA | NA | NA | NA | 66.7 | 226 | a |
| 20-24 | 4.5 | 40.1 | 68.9 | NA | NA | 16.2 | 182 | 18.6 |
| 25-29 | 5.5 | 35.7 | 66.7 | 87.9 | 94.4 | 3.5 | 176 | 18.6 |
| 30-34 | 3.6 | 27.9 | 48.4 | 74.1 | 90.8 | 2.7 | 172 | 20.1 |
| 35-39 | 6.5 | 37.7 | 58.7 | 79.4 | 93.2 | 0.3 | 229 | 18.8 |
| 40-44 | 1.3 | 30.0 | 55.2 | 81.2 | 93.2 | 0.0 | 164 | 19.5 |
| 45-49 | 6.6 | 29.2 | 60.1 | 76.9 | 90.5 | 0.0 | 122 | 19.1 |
| 50-54 | 7.9 | 23.2 | 49.7 | 67.7 | 87.4 | 0.5 | 104 | 20.0 |
| 55-59 | 4.0 | 17.9 | 44.6 | 67.3 | 83.0 | 0.0 | 65 | 20.3 |
| 25-59 | 5.0 | 30.8 | 56.2 | 78.0 | 91.5 | 1.2 | 1,032 | 19.3 |
| $\mathrm{NA}=$ Not applicable Omitted because less than 50 percent in the age group $x$ to $x+4$ had had intercourse by age $x$. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

### 7.4 Recent Sexual Activity

In the absence of contraceptive use, frequency of sexual intercourse is a direct determinant of pregnancy; therefore, knowledge of frequency is a useful indicator of exposure to pregnancy. Tables 7.7 and 7.8 show the percent distribution of women and men by sexual activity in the four weeks prior to the survey. The distribution of women includes information as to whether those who are not sexually active have or have not recently had a birth (are postpartum). Respondents are considered to be sexually active if they have had sexual intercourse at least once in the four weeks prior to the survey.

Overall, 61 percent of all women interviewed were sexually active in the four weeks preceding the survey. Only 1 percent of women are postpartum abstaining, 17 percent of women are not sexually active for reasons unrelated to childbirth, and 20 percent of women have never had sexual intercourse. These overall findings match the findings of the 1995 KDHS. About threequarters of women age 25-44 are sexually active. Ethnic Russian women are a bit more likely than ethnic Kazakh women to be sexually active ( 66 versus 57 percent, respectively). Not surprisingly, women who are using a method of family planning are more likely to be sexually active than women who are not using a method (many of the women using no method have not yet had intercourse). Sexual activity does not vary greatly by method of contraception, although women who have been sterilized are slightly less likely to be sexually active ( 70 versus 91 percent of users of the pill).

Table 7.6 Median age at first intercourse
Median age at first sexual intercourse among women age 25-49 and men age 25-59, by current age and selected background characteristics, Kazakhstan 1999

| Background characteristic | Current age |  |  |  |  |  | Women age 25-49 | $\begin{gathered} \text { Men } \\ \text { age } \\ 25-59 \end{gathered}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 25-29 | 30-34 | 35-39 | 40-44 | 45-49 | 50-59 |  |  |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Urban | 20.0 | 20.5 | 21.1 | 21.1 | 21.4 | - | 20.8 | 19.0 |
| Rural | 20.3 | 20.7 | 21.2 | 21.5 | 20.5 | - | 20.8 | 19.7 |
| Region |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Almaty City | 19.8 | 20.3 | 21.8 | 21.8 | 22.0 | - | 21.2 | 18.9 |
| South | 20.6 | 20.7 | 21.2 | 21.2 | 20.8 | - | 20.9 | 20.6 |
| West | 20.5 | 21.1 | 22.0 | 22.3 | 21.8 | - | 21.6 | 21.5 |
| Central | 19.8 | 20.2 | 21.0 | 20.7 | 21.5 | - | 20.6 | 18.8 |
| North | 19.6 | 20.3 | 20.6 | 20.9 | 20.5 | - | 20.3 | 18.4 |
| East | 19.8 | 20.9 | 21.2 | 21.1 | 20.9 | - | 20.8 | 18.9 |
| Education |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Primary/secondary | 19.6 | 19.6 | 19.6 | 20.7 | 19.7 | - | 19.8 | 19.7 |
| Secondary-special | 20.0 | 20.5 | 21.2 | 20.9 | 20.8 | - | 20.7 | 18.8 |
| Higher | 21.4 | 21.6 | 23.0 | 22.9 | 24.0 | - | 22.4 | 20.1 |
| Ethnicity |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kazakh | 20.9 | 21.3 | 22.1 | 22.2 | 21.6 | - | 21.6 | 20.4 |
| Russian | 19.1 | 19.3 | 20.3 | 20.3 | 20.7 | - | 20.0 | 18.5 |
| Other | 19.3 | 20.3 | 20.3 | 21.4 | 20.5 | - | 20.3 | 18.6 |
| Total women | 20.1 | 20.6 | 21.1 | 21.3 | 21.0 | - | 20.8 | - |
| Total men | 18.6 | 20.1 | 18.8 | 19.5 | 19.1 | 20.2 | - | 19.3 |

Note: The median for cohort 15-19 could not be determined because less than 50 percent of the women had had intercourse for the first time by age 15 .

Overall, 69 percent of all men interviewed were sexually active in the four weeks preceding the survey. As was true for women, men in the middle of the surveyed age range report themselves most likely to be sexually active: 80-90 percent of men age 25-49 are sexually active. As was also true of women, ethnic Russian men are a bit more likely than ethnic Kazakh men to be sexually active ( 76 versus 64 percent). While sexual activity is not confined to marriage, it is still true that currently married men are the most likely to be sexually active ( 91 percent compared with 28 percent for never-married men).

Table 7.9 provides data on sexual activity outside of marriage. The table presents the distribution of all men by number of persons with whom they had sexual intercourse in the last 12 months, excluding spouses. One in ten married men reported having sexual intercourse in the previous year with a woman other than his spouse (most reported only one non-marital partner). Twenty-one percent of never-married men had two or more partners in the previous 12 months, compared with 29 percent of formerly married men. Overall, one in five men had sexual intercourse in the previous year with a woman who was not his spouse. As may be expected, men in their twenties had the most partners: 6 percent of men in their twenties had four or more partners in the previous 12 months.


| Table 7.8 Recent sexual activity: men |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Percent distribution of men by sexual activity in the four weeks preceding the survey, according to selected background characteristics, Kazakhstan 1999 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Background characteristic | Sexually active in last 4 weeks | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Not } \\ & \text { sexually } \\ & \text { active } \\ & \text { in last } \\ & 4 \text { weeks } \end{aligned}$ | Never had sex | Total | Number of men |
| Age |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 15.6 | 17.7 | 66.7 | 100.0 | 226 |
| 20-24 | 62.7 | 21.1 | 16.2 | 100.0 | 182 |
| 25-29 | 80.9 | 15.6 | 3.5 | 100.0 | 176 |
| 30-34 | 81.2 | 16.1 | 2.7 | 100.0 | 172 |
| 35-39 | 89.1 | 10.7 | 0.3 | 100.0 | 229 |
| 40-44 | 82.7 | 17.3 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 164 |
| 45-49 | 89.8 | 10.2 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 122 |
| 50-54 | 76.3 | 23.1 | 0.5 | 100.0 | 104 |
| 55-59 | 55.5 | 44.5 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 65 |
| Marital Status |  |  |  |  |  |
| Never married | 28.2 | 27.5 | 44.3 | 100.0 | 433 |
| Currently married | 90.8 | 9.2 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 933 |
| Formerly married | 36.9 | 63.1 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 74 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |
| Urban | 74.6 | 14.2 | 11.2 | 100.0 | 790 |
| Rural | 62.5 | 21.5 | 16.0 | 100.0 | 650 |
| Education |  |  |  |  |  |
| Primary/secondary | 55.6 | 21.2 | 23.2 | 100.0 | 661 |
| Secondary-special | 78.8 | 15.2 | 6.0 | 100.0 | 581 |
| Higher | 86.2 | 11.8 | 2.0 | 100.0 | 198 |
| Ethnicity |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kazakh | 64.0 | 20.0 | 16.0 | 100.0 | 747 |
| Russian | 75.5 | 13.3 | 11.2 | 100.0 | 460 |
| Other | 73.1 | 17.9 | 9.0 | 100.0 | 234 |
| Total | 69.2 | 17.5 | 13.3 | 100.0 | 1,440 |

### 7.5 Postpartum Amenorrhea, Abstinence, and Insusceptibility

Postpartum amenorrhea refers to the interval between childbirth and the return of menstruation. During this period, the risk of pregnancy is reduced. The duration of reduced risk of conception largely depends on two factors: the length and intensity of breastfeeding, which tends to suppress the resumption of ovulation, and the length of time before the resumption of sexual intercourse. Women who are either amenorrheic or abstaining (or both), are considered insusceptible to the risk of pregnancy.

The percentage of births in the past three years for which mothers are presently postpartum amenorrheic, abstaining, or insusceptible is shown in Table 7.10 by the number of months since birth. These distributions are based on current status data, i.e., on the proportion of births occurring $x$ months before the survey for which mothers are still amenorrheic, abstaining, or insusceptible. The estimates of the median and mean durations shown in Tables 7.10 and 7.11 are calculated from the current status proportions in each period. The prevalence/incidence mean is defined as the number of children whose mothers are amenorrheic (prevalence) divided by the average number of births per month (incidence). The data are grouped in two-month intervals to minimize fluctuations in the estimates.

| Table 7.9 Number of partners |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Percent distribution of all men by number of persons with whom they had sexual intercourse (excluding wives) in the last 12 months, according to background characteristics, Kazakhstan 1999 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Background characteristic | Number of sexual partners |  |  |  |  | Total | Number <br> of men | Mean number of partners |
|  | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4+ |  |  |  |
| Age |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 73.0 | 21.2 | 0.0 | 0.7 | 5.1 | 100.0 | 226 | 0.6 |
| 20-24 | 49.0 | 42.6 | 0.3 | 2.1 | 6.1 | 100.0 | 182 | 0.9 |
| 25-29 | 70.4 | 20.3 | 1.4 | 1.5 | 6.4 | 100.0 | 176 | 0.6 |
| 30-34 | 81.3 | 15.8 | 0.8 | 0.3 | 1.8 | 100.0 | 172 | 0.3 |
| 35-39 | 94.2 | 4.6 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.8 | 100.0 | 229 | 0.1 |
| 40-44 | 89.6 | 8.9 | 0.4 | 0.3 | 0.9 | 100.0 | 164 | 0.1 |
| 45-49 | 91.1 | 6.6 | 0.7 | 0.0 | 1.7 | 100.0 | 122 | 0.2 |
| 50-54 | 98.5 | 1.0 | 0.5 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 104 | 0.0 |
| 55-59 | 98.5 | 1.5 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 65 | 0.0 |
| Marital Status |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Never married | 53.0 | 26.0 | 12.7 | 1.6 | 6.8 | 100.0 | 433 | 1.0 |
| Currently married | 90.3 | 7.9 | 0.9 | 0.1 | 0.8 | 100.0 | 933 | 0.1 |
| Formerly married | 30.3 | 41.1 | 17.9 | 3.2 | 7.5 | 100.0 | 74 | 1.2 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Urban | 78.9 | 16.3 | 0.5 | 0.9 | 3.4 | 100.0 | 790 | 0.4 |
| Rural | 82.3 | 14.5 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 2.4 | 100.0 | 650 | 0.3 |
| Education |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Primary/secondary | 80.9 | 15.9 | 0.4 | 0.3 | 2.5 | 100.0 | 661 | 0.3 |
| Secondary-special | 80.7 | 14.4 | 0.3 | 0.6 | 4.1 | 100.0 | 581 | 0.4 |
| Higher | 78.0 | 17.5 | 1.3 | 2.3 | 0.9 | 100.0 | 198 | 0.3 |
| Total | 80.4 | 15.5 | 0.5 | 0.7 | 2.9 | 100.0 | 1,440 | 0.4 |

While both postpartum amenorrhea and postpartum abstinence are fairly short in duration, the former is longer than the latter and is therefore the principal determinant of the length of postpartum insusceptibility. Nearly all women are insusceptible to pregnancy for some time in the first two months following a birth. However, the proportion insusceptible falls fairly quickly as the months since birth increase. By 4-5 months after a birth, only two-thirds of women are still insusceptible, and by 10-11 months, only one-third remain insusceptible. The median durations are 6.2 months for amenorrhea, 1.9 months for abstinence, and 6.9 months for insusceptibility.

Table 7.11 presents the median durations of postpartum amenorrhea, abstinence, and insusceptibility by background characteristics. The only notable difference by background characteristics in the median duration of postpartum amenorrhea is that the duration among women in the Central region is five months longer than the overall median.

### 7.6 Menopause

After age 30, the risk of pregnancy declines as increasing proportions of women become menopausal. Although the onset of menopause is difficult to determine for an individual woman, there are ways of estimating it for a population as a whole. Table 7.12 presents data on the percentage of women age 30 and older who are menopausal, that is, who have not menstruated for six months or longer in the period preceding the survey or who reported being menopausal. Few women are menopausal before reaching their forties, after which time the proportion of menopausal women increases with age from 9 percent among women age 42-43 to 45 percent among women age 48-49.

Table 7.10 Postpartum amenorrhea, abstinence, and insusceptibility
Percentage of births in the three years preceding the survey for which mothers are postpartum amenorrheic, abstaining, and insusceptible, by number of months since birth, and median and mean durations, Kazakhstan 1999

| Months <br> since birth | Amenor- <br> rheic | Abstaining | Insus- <br> ceptible | Number <br> of <br> births |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| $<2$ | $*$ | $*$ | $*$ | $*$ |
| $2-3$ | $(79.4)$ | $(10.3)$ | $(84.1)$ | $(47)$ |
| $4-5$ | $(59.1)$ | $(7.7)$ | $(66.8)$ | $(40)$ |
| $6-7$ | $(46.8)$ | $(0.0)$ | $(46.8)$ | $(47)$ |
| $8-9$ | $(38.3)$ | $(9.3)$ | $(43.7)$ | $(47)$ |
| $10-11$ | $(30.3)$ | $(6.3)$ | $(36.6)$ | $(44)$ |
| $12-13$ | $(21.2)$ | $(4.0)$ | $(22.8)$ | $(46)$ |
| $14-15$ | $(8.2)$ | $(0.9)$ | $(8.2)$ | $(52)$ |
| $16-17$ | $(7.9)$ | $(1.6)$ | $(9.5)$ | $(46)$ |
| $18-19$ | $(6.2)$ | $(1.7)$ | $(7.8)$ | $(44)$ |
| $20-21$ | $(0.0)$ | $(7.9)$ | $(7.9)$ | $(38)$ |
| $22-23$ | $(2.3)$ | $(3.5)$ | $(4.8)$ | $(54)$ |
| $24-25$ | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 59 |
| $26-27$ | $(3.8)$ | $(3.4)$ | $(7.2)$ | $(50)$ |
| $28-29$ | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 50 |
| $30-31$ | $(1.7)$ | $(4.9)$ | $(4.9)$ | $(43)$ |
| $32-33$ | $(1.4)$ | $(6.8)$ | $(8.1)$ | $(38)$ |
| $34-35$ | $(0.0)$ | $(0.0)$ | $(0.0)$ | $(50)$ |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| Total | 20.2 | 6.6 | 23.0 | 822 |
| Median | 6.2 | 1.9 | 6.9 | - |
| Mean | 8.3 | 3.4 | 9.4 | - |
| Prevalence/ |  |  |  |  |
| Incidence mean | 7.2 | 2.4 | 8.2 | - |
|  |  |  |  |  |

Note: Figures in parentheses are based on 25-49 unweighted births. An asterisk indicates that a figure is based on fewer than 25 unweighted cases and has been suppressed.
The prevalence/incidence mean is borrowed from epidemiology and is defined as the number of children whose mothers are amenorrheic (prevalence) divided by the average number of births per month (incidence).

Table 7.11 Median duration of postpartum amenorrhea, abstinence, and insusceptibility
Median number of months of postpartum amenorrhea, postpartum abstinence, and postpartum insusceptibility, by selected background characteristics, Kazakhstan 1999

| Background characteristic | Postpartum amenorrhea | Postpartum abstinence | Postpartum insusceptibility | Number of births |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Age |  |  |  |  |
| <30 | 6.5 | 1.7 | 7.1 | 568 |
| 30+ | 5.1 | 2.2 | 6.3 | 254 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |
| Urban | 6.4 | 2.1 | 7.8 | 334 |
| Rural | 6.1 | 1.7 | 6.4 | 488 |
| Region |  |  |  |  |
| Almaty City | 3.5 | 2.2 | 4.5 | 24 |
| South | 7.0 | 1.5 | 7.5 | 360 |
| West | 2.4 | 3.2 | 4.9 | 119 |
| Central | 11.2 | 1.9 | 11.2 | 61 |
| North | 5.7 | 2.0 | 5.7 | 174 |
| East | 6.3 | 1.8 | 6.3 | 84 |
| Education |  |  |  |  |
| Primary/secondary | 5.8 | 1.8 | 6.5 | 356 |
| Secondary-special | 7.3 | 1.9 | 7.6 | 338 |
| Higher | 4.1 | 2.0 | 4.1 | 129 |
| Ethnicity |  |  |  |  |
| Kazakh | 6.1 | 2.0 | 6.9 | 571 |
| Russian | 7.5 | 1.8 | 9.0 | 151 |
| Other | 5.4 | 1.8 | 5.4 | 100 |
| Total | 6.2 | 1.9 | 6.9 | 822 |
| Note: Medians are based on current status. |  |  |  |  |


| Table 7.12 Menopause |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Percentage of currently married women age 30-49 who are menopausal, by age group, Kazakhstan 1999 |  |  |
| Age | Percentage menopausal ${ }^{1}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Number } \\ \text { of } \\ \text { women } \end{gathered}$ |
| 30-34 | 0.7 | 698 |
| 35-39 | 2.7 | 749 |
| 40-41 | 5.3 | 309 |
| 42-43 | 8.8 | 269 |
| 44-45 | 11.1 | 229 |
| 46-47 | 31.4 | 218 |
| 48-49 | 44.5 | 178 |
| Total | 9.0 | 2,651 |
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## FERTILITY PREFERENCES

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Both female and male respondents in the 1999 KDHS were asked a series of questions to ascertain their fertility preferences, that is, their desire to have another child and the length of time they would like to wait before having another child. The answers to theses questions make the quantification of fertility preferences possible and allow the estimation of unmet need for family planning in Kazakhstan. Respondents were also asked to report the number of children that they consider ideal. These data, in conjunction with the number of children that respondents currently have, allow the estimation of unwanted fertility in the population.

### 8.1 Fertility Preferences

In the 1999 KDHS, women and men were asked a series of questions about their fertility preferences. Table 8.1 and Figure 8.1 present results for currently married women and currently married men. The salient finding is that the majority of currently married women and men want no more children. In the case of currently married women, 63 percent either wanted no more children ( 55 percent), are sterilized ( 3 percent), or are infecund ( 5 percent). Alternatively, about one-third ( 30 percent) want to have another child: 12 percent want to have a child within two years, 13 percent want to wait at least two years, and the remaining 5 percent are undecided about the timing of another child. A similar pattern is observed among currently married men: 66 percent either want no more children or their spouse is sterilized or infecund, while about one-third ( 32 percent) want another child.

Table 8.1 also shows fertility preferences by number of living children as expected, the desire to limit childbearing increases sharply as the number of living children increases (Figure 8.2). Only 4 percent of currently married women with no living children want no more children, while 26 percent with one living child and 65 percent with two living children either want no more children or are sterilized. The data on currently married men show the same sharp increase in the proportion wanting no more children.

Table 8.2 shows the fertility preferences of currently married women by age. Particularly for younger women, it is important to keep in mind that these statistics apply to the currently married. The desire for no more children is high among women 15-19 (18 percent) and increases steadily in subsequent age groups, peaking among women 40-44 and 45-49 (91 and 95 percent, respectively). On the other hand, among women under age 30, a significant proportion (about 30 percent) report wanting another child after waiting at least two years. Thus, a substantial proportion of women under age 30 (about 50 percent) have a potential need to either limit or space childbearing. The potential need for family planning is even greater among women above age 30 and is concentrated in a desire to limit childbearing.

Table 8.2 also shows the fertility preferences of currently married men. The overall pattern of male preferences by age is similar to that of females. The most noteworthy difference occurs among men below age 25, who have a greater desire than women to have another child. This difference is most likely because men in Kazakhstan marry later than women and have fewer children at younger ages.

Table 8.1 Fertility preferences by number of living children
Percent distribution of currently married women and men by desire for more children, according to number of living children, Kazakhstan 1999

| Desire for children | Number of living children ${ }^{1}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  | Total |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | $6+$ |  |
| WOMEN |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Have another soon ${ }^{2}$ | 64.0 | 21.6 | 7.3 | 5.4 | 3.2 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 12.2 |
| Have another later ${ }^{3}$ | 8.3 | 28.4 | 11.9 | 5.0 | 6.1 | 1.0 | 1.7 | 12.9 |
| Have another, undecided when | 5.7 | 8.3 | 3.2 | 4.2 | 3.1 | 4.0 | 0.0 | 4.6 |
| Undecided | 1.2 | 10.8 | 8.6 | 6.4 | 7.0 | 1.5 | 2.6 | 7.7 |
| Want no more | 1.7 | 25.3 | 61.6 | 72.2 | 74.7 | 87.3 | 88.3 | 55.4 |
| Sterilized | 2.7 | 0.7 | 3.1 | 3.6 | 5.2 | 1.8 | 5.1 | 2.8 |
| Declared infecund | 16.3 | 4.9 | 4.2 | 3.2 | 0.7 | 4.4 | 2.3 | 4.5 |
| Total | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Number of women | 157 | 680 | 1,128 | 577 | 256 | 140 | 81 | 3,018 |
| MEN |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Have another soon ${ }^{2}$ | 39.3 | 16.0 | 4.4 | 9.3 | 3.7 | (3.3) | (0.0) | 9.5 |
| Have another later ${ }^{3}$ | 26.3 | 25.4 | 10.5 | 10.3 | 5.7 | (3.3) | (1.2) | 13.3 |
| Have another, undecided when | 10.2 | 8.4 | 9.8 | 10.4 | 9.7 | (4.6) | (1.2) | 9.0 |
| Undecided | 5.3 | 4.2 | 1.4 | 3.5 | 1.2 | (0.0) | (0.0) | 2.4 |
| Want no more | 5.7 | 37.9 | 63.9 | 59.7 | 66.3 | (73.7) | (81.0) | 55.7 |
| Sterilized | 0.0 | 0.6 | 4.8 | 3.0 | 4.0 | (5.2) | (0.0) | 3.0 |
| Declared infecund | 13.2 | 7.5 | 5.3 | 3.8 | 9.5 | (9.9) | (16.7) | 7.0 |
| Total | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Number of men | 60 | 183 | 354 | 178 | 71 | 40 | 47 | 933 |

Note: Figures in parentheses are based on 25-49 (unweighted) cases.
${ }^{1}$ Includes current pregnancy
${ }^{2}$ Want next birth within 2 years
${ }^{3}$ Want to delay next birth for 2 or more years

A comparison with the results of the 1995 KDHS indicates only marginal changes in the fertility preferences of currently married women. The percentage who want another child has decreased from 34 percent in 1995 to 30 percent in 1999. The proportion who want no more children or who are sterilized or infecund has remained the same at 63 percent. However, the proportion undecided about having another child has increased from 3 percent to 8 percent.

Within a family, the fertility preferences of a woman and her spouse may be the same or they may differ. Table 8.3 examines the fertility desires of 777 couples who were living together in the same household at the time of the survey. There is general agreement among couples on their desire for children. Sixty-six percent of couples agree in their desire either to have more children ( 20 percent) or to have no more children (46 percent).

Table 8.4 shows the percentage of currently married women and men who want no more children by number of living children, according to selected background characteristics (residence, region, education, and ethnicity). The most pronounced differentials for both women and men are by ethnicity. The proportion of respondents of Russian and other ethnicities who desire no more children is substantially greater than the proportion of Kazakh respondents, especially for

# Figure 8.1 Fertility Preferences for Currently Married Women 15-49 



Figure 8.2 Desire to Limit Childbearing among Currently Married Women and Men by Number of Living Children

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Table 8.2 Fertility preferences by age
Percent distribution of currently married women and men by desire for more children, according to age, Kazakhstan 1999

| Desire for children | Current age |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Total |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 15-19 | 20-24 | 25-29 | 30-34 | 35-39 | 40-44 | 45-49 | 50-54 | 55-59 |  |
| WOMEN |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Have another soon ${ }^{1}$ | 24.7 | 23.6 | 19.7 | 16.4 | 9.4 | 2.8 | 1.9 | - | - | 12.2 |
| Have another later ${ }^{2}$ | 34.3 | 36.1 | 25.5 | 14.9 | 4.1 | 0.4 | 0.3 | - | - | 12.9 |
| Have another, undecided when | 7.4 | 6.0 | 6.5 | 6.8 | 4.8 | 2.1 | 0.7 | - | - | 4.6 |
| Undecided | 15.4 | 10.5 | 13.3 | 12.5 | 4.0 | 3.3 | 1.8 | - | - | 7.7 |
| Want no more | 18.2 | 21.9 | 31.9 | 45.6 | 69.4 | 80.6 | 78.6 | - | - | 55.4 |
| Sterilized | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.4 | 1.8 | 3.9 | 5.6 | 4.5 | - | - | 2.8 |
| Declared infecund | 0.0 | 1.9 | 2.7 | 2.1 | 4.5 | 5.2 | 12.3 | - | - | 4.5 |
| Total | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | - | - | 100.0 |
| Number of women | 63 | 353 | 506 | 546 | 617 | 548 | 385 | - | - | 3,018 |
| MEN |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Have another soon ${ }^{1}$ | * | 21.6 | 16.7 | 20.3 | 10.8 | 2.9 | 2.2 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 9.5 |
| Have another later ${ }^{2}$ | * | 59.5 | 31.4 | 18.6 | 8.5 | 5.9 | 0.5 | 0.5 | 0.0 | 13.3 |
| Have another, undecided when | * | 5.5 | 15.7 | 11.0 | 17.3 | 4.4 | 3.2 | 0.0 | 2.1 | 9.0 |
| Undecided | * | 5.1 | 7.8 | 4.0 | 2.3 | 0.4 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 2.4 |
| Want no more | * | 6.0 | 26.7 | 41.6 | 47.7 | 76.9 | 79.1 | 83.2 | 81.2 | 55.7 |
| Sterilized | * | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.7 | 4.4 | 1.8 | 7.8 | 3.6 | 3.4 | 3.0 |
| Declared infecund | * | 2.3 | 1.7 | 2.8 | 8.9 | 7.7 | 7.3 | 12.7 | 13.3 | 7.0 |
| Total | * | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Number of men | 1 | 57 | 118 | 132 | 211 | 144 | 110 | 98 | 61 | 933 |
| Note: An asterisk indicates that a figure is based on fewer than 25 unweighted cases and has been suppressed. Figures in parentheses are based on 25-49 unweighted cases. <br> ${ }^{1}$ Want next birth within 2 years <br> ${ }^{2}$ Want to delay next birth for 2 or more years |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

## Table 8.3 Desire for more children among monogamous couples

Percent distribution of monogamous couples by desire for more children, according to number of living children, Kazakhstan 1999

| Number of <br> living children <br> reported | Both <br> want <br> more | Husband <br> more/ <br> wife <br> no more | Wife <br> more/ <br> husband <br> no more | Both <br> want <br> no <br> more | Husband/ <br> wife <br> infecund | One <br> or both <br> undecided/ <br> missing | Total | Number <br> of <br> couples |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | ---: |
| Same number | 67.3 | 5.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 16.4 | 11.3 | 100.0 | 51 |
| 0 | 40.0 | 7.0 | 8.5 | 19.4 | 9.1 | 16.0 | 100.0 | 141 |
| 1 | 13.0 | 10.3 | 5.7 | 53.7 | 7.1 | 10.1 | 100.0 | 278 |
| 2 | 11.0 | 12.6 | 2.4 | 57.0 | 5.0 | 12.2 | 100.0 | 134 |
| 3 | 4.9 | 11.5 | 4.3 | 65.4 | 9.9 | 4.1 | 100.0 | 81 |
| $4-5$ | $*$ | $*$ | $*$ | $*$ | $*$ | $*$ | 100.0 | 22 |
| $6+$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Different number |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Husband $>$ wife | $(21.8)$ | $(14.0)$ | $(1.3)$ | $(43.9)$ | $(16.3)$ | $(2.7)$ | 100.0 | 42 |
| Wife $>$ husband | $(11.9)$ | $(20.5)$ | $(6.4)$ | $(50.7)$ | $(5.7)$ | $(4.9)$ | 100.0 | 28 |
| Total | 20.3 | 10.3 | 4.7 | 46.1 | 8.4 | 10.1 | 100.0 | 777 |

Note: An asterisk indicates that a figure is based on fewer than 25 unweighted cases and has been suppressed. Figures in parentheses are based on 25-49 unweighted cases.

| Table 8.4 Desire to limit childbearing |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Percentage of currently married women and men who want no more children, by number of living children and selected background characteristics, Kazakhstan 1999 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Background characteristic | Number of living children ${ }^{1}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  | Total |
|  | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6+ |  |
| WOMEN |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Urban | 4.5 | 29.8 | 71.7 | 78.5 | 78.0 | (85.4) | (100.0) | 58.5 |
| Rural | (4.3) | 19.6 | 54.0 | 73.8 | 80.7 | 90.7 | 90.5 | 57.8 |
| Region |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Almaty City | (7.1) | 37.9 | 69.6 | 80.9 | 80.0 | 100.0 | * | 56.0 |
| South | (0.0) | 11.6 | 49.6 | 68.8 | 76.7 | (86.3) | (94.5) | 54.9 |
| West | (3.7) | 23.5 | 64.1 | 66.4 | 81.3 | (84.3) | (100.0) | 58.1 |
| Central | (12.3) | 34.9 | 71.8 | 86.8 | (85.9) | (100.0) | (100.0) | 62.8 |
| North | (4.1) | 25.7 | 66.6 | 82.2 | (80.0) | (93.8) | (75.6) | 57.9 |
| East | (8.4) | 33.4 | 78.5 | 90.2 | (90.5) | (94.8) | (88.1) | 63.8 |
| Education |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| No education | * | * | * | * | * | * | * | 90.9 |
| Primary/secondary | 7.5 | 25.0 | 65.5 | 74.0 | 78.5 | 87.9 | (91.2) | 61.1 |
| Secondary-special | 3.4 | 25.8 | 62.7 | 75.7 | 80.8 | (90.4) | (97.2) | 57.1 |
| Higher | (0.0) | 27.4 | 68.9 | 79.1 | (81.5) | (91.1) | (100.0) | 54.8 |
| Ethnicity |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kazakh | 4.7 | 16.4 | 48.7 | 70.4 | 79.6 | 89.2 | 96.8 | 55.1 |
| Russian | 6.8 | 33.9 | 80.5 | 93.9 | (71.0) | (91.0) | (100.0) | 62.7 |
| Other | (0.0) | 28.9 | 69.4 | 79.0 | (86.7) | (87.1) | (70.6) | 60.0 |
| Total | 4.4 | 26.0 | 64.7 | 75.8 | 79.9 | 89.1 | 93.4 | 58.2 |
| MEN |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Urban | (8.6) | 42.4 | 76.5 | 69.6 | (83.5) | (96.2) | (93.9) | 63.0 |
| Rural | (0.0) | (27.7) | 55.8 | 56.6 | (63.5) | (69.6) | (75.5) | 53.2 |
| Region |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Almaty City | * | * | ${ }^{*}$ | * | * | ${ }^{*}$ | * | 53.2 |
| South | (0.0) | (9.5) | 37.3 | 42.4 | (49.4) | 69.3 | 95.1 | 41.8 |
| West | (0.0) | (46.7) | (62.7) | (71.2) | (72.3) | (90.1) | (45.3) | 58.9 |
| Central | * | * | 69.5 | * | * | * | * | 59.3 |
| North | * | 51.4 | 85.9 | (70.7) | * | * | * | 73.1 |
| East | * | (44.4) | (82.6) | (72.7) | * | * | * | 66.4 |
| Education |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| No education | * | * | * | * | * | * | * | * |
| Primary/secondary | (3.3) | 42.4 | 70.1 | 68.2 | (72.7) | (89.3) | (76.8) | 61.8 |
| Secondary-specia | (9.1) | 40.9 | 66.4 | 58.7 | (64.7) | (68.9) | (80.3) | 56.2 |
| Higher | * | (23.6) | 72.3 | (61.3) | * | * | * | 58.7 |
| Ethnicity |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kazakh | (0.0) | 21.5 | 48.5 | 51.4 | 67.1 | (77.9) | (81.0) | 50.4 |
| Russian | * | 50.2 | 83.7 | (81.9) | * | * | * | 69.5 |
| Other | * | (37.2) | 71.6 | (78.9) | * | * | * | 61.9 |
| Total | 5.7 | 38.5 | 68.6 | 62.7 | 70.3 | 79.0 | 81.0 | 58.7 |
| Note: Women who have been sterilized are considered to want no more children. An asterisk indicates that a figure is based on fewer than 25 unweighted cases and has been suppressed. Figures in parentheses are based on 25-49 unweighted cases. ${ }^{1}$ Includes current pregnancy |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

respondents with fewer than three living children. Urban respondents are somewhat more likely than rural respondents to want no more children. This difference is more pronounced among men than among women. Among the regions, the South Region stands out as having the lowest proportions of both women and men wanting no more children.

### 8.2 Need for Family Planning Services

Maternal health care services are concerned with defining the size of the population of women who have a potential need for family planning services and identifying women whose need for contraception is not being met. Currently married fecund women who either want no more children or want to wait at least two years before having another child, but who are not using contraception, are considered to have an unmet need for family planning. ${ }^{1}$ Current users of family planning methods are said to have a met need for family planning. The total demand for family planning is the sum of the met need and unmet need for family planning.

Table 8.5 shows the demand for family planning services according to selected background characteristics. Nine percent of currently married women in Kazakhstan have an unmet need for family planning: 4 percent have an unmet need for spacing, and 5 percent have an unmet need for limiting. This percentage is a substantial reduction from the 16 percent of currently married women who reported an unmet need for family planning in the 1995 KDHS.

In Kazakhstan, the total demand for family planning among currently married women (the sum of the met and unmet need) is 75 percent. A high proportion of the total demand for family planning is being met, with nearly nine out of ten currently married women with a need for family planning using contraception.

Because so much of the total demand is being met, there is little opportunity for substantial variation in unmet need between population subgroups. Nevertheless, the level of unmet need is greater among younger women than among older women. Unmet need is also greater among rural women (10 percent), among women in the South and the West Regions (10 and 12 percent, respectively), and among women of Kazakh ethnicity (10 percent).

### 8.3 Ideal Family Size

Information on what respondents feel is the ideal family size was obtained by asking two questions. Respondents who had no children were asked how many children they would like to have if they could choose the number of children to have. Respondents who had children were asked how many children they would like to have if they could go back to the time when they did not have any children and could choose the number of children to have. Responses to these questions are meant to be independent of the number of children that a respondent already has. However, there is typically a correlation between the actual number of children that respondents have and their reported ideal. This correlation may be because people who want larger families tend to have more children or because respondents adjust their ideal family size to match their actual family size or because of combination of these factors.

Table 8.6 indicates that, for all women in the survey, the mean ideal number of children is 2.8 and that, for currently married women, the figure is marginally higher (3.0). These ideal family-size preferences are virtually unchanged from those reported for the 1995 KDHS (2.9 and 3.1, respectively).

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## Table 8.5 Need for family planning services

Percentage of currently married women with unmet need for family planning, and met need for family planning, and the total demand for family planning services, by selected background characteristics, Kazakhstan 1999

| Background characteristic | Unmet need for family planning |  |  | Met need for family planning (currently using) |  |  | Total demand for family planning |  |  | Percentage of demand satisfied | Number of women |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | For spacing | For limiting | Total | For spacing | For limiting | Total | For spacing | For limiting | Total |  |  |
| Age |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 13.0 | 0.0 | 13.0 | 28.4 | 10.8 | 39.2 | 42.4 | 10.8 | 53.2 | 75.6 | 63 |
| 20-24 | 10.1 | 3.4 | 13.4 | 40.3 | 12.7 | 53.0 | 51.1 | 17.4 | 68.5 | 80.4 | 353 |
| 25-29 | 5.6 | 5.0 | 10.6 | 43.8 | 21.5 | 65.3 | 49.5 | 26.6 | 76.1 | 86.1 | 506 |
| 30-34 | 4.5 | 5.1 | 9.6 | 33.2 | 38.4 | 71.6 | 38.1 | 43.4 | 81.6 | 88.2 | 546 |
| 35-39 | 1.7 | 5.5 | 7.2 | 15.4 | 61.3 | 76.7 | 17.2 | 66.8 | 84.0 | 91.5 | 617 |
| 40-44 | 0.4 | 7.3 | 7.7 | 5.3 | 67.0 | 72.3 | 5.7 | 74.3 | 80.0 | 90.4 | 548 |
| 45-49 | 0.0 | 3.7 | 3.7 | 2.2 | 47.8 | 50.0 | 2.2 | 51.4 | 53.7 | 93.2 | 385 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Urban | 2.7 | 4.8 | 7.6 | 23.7 | 43.8 | 67.4 | 26.5 | 48.7 | 75.2 | 90.0 | 1,596 |
| Rural | 4.6 | 5.3 | 10.0 | 22.4 | 42.2 | 64.6 | 27.4 | 47.8 | 75.2 | 86.8 | 1,422 |
| Region |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Almaty City | 2.9 | 4.0 | 6.9 | 29.0 | 41.1 | 70.1 | 32.2 | 45.4 | 77.6 | 91.1 | 159 |
| South | 5.1 | 5.2 | 10.3 | 21.0 | 38.6 | 59.6 | 26.5 | 43.8 | 70.3 | 85.4 | 926 |
| West | 3.9 | 7.7 | 11.6 | 22.0 | 38.2 | 60.2 | 26.1 | 46.1 | 72.3 | 83.9 | 394 |
| Central | 2.8 | 3.7 | 6.5 | 22.0 | 49.5 | 71.5 | 25.3 | 53.2 | 78.5 | 91.8 | 281 |
| North | 2.7 | 4.4 | 7.1 | 24.0 | 45.7 | 69.7 | 26.7 | 50.5 | 77.2 | 90.8 | 837 |
| East | 2.9 | 4.8 | 7.7 | 25.1 | 48.6 | 73.8 | 28.2 | 53.5 | 81.6 | 90.6 | 422 |
| Education |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| No education | * | * | * | * | * | * | * | * | * | * | 10 |
| Primary/secondary | 4.8 | 5.3 | 10.1 | 18.9 | 44.7 | 63.6 | 24.1 | 50.4 | 74.4 | 86.5 | 1,054 |
| Secondary-special | 3.1 | 5.3 | 8.4 | 24.1 | 42.1 | 66.2 | 27.4 | 47.5 | 74.9 | 88.7 | 1,367 |
| Higher | 2.8 | 3.7 | 6.5 | 28.3 | 42.2 | 70.6 | 31.1 | 45.9 | 77.1 | 91.5 | 587 |
| Ethnicity |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kazakh | 4.3 | 5.8 | 10.1 | 24.1 | 39.9 | 64.0 | 28.7 | 45.7 | 74.4 | 86.5 | 1,607 |
| Russian | 2.3 | 4.3 | 6.6 | 22.3 | 47.8 | 70.1 | 24.9 | 52.4 | 77.3 | 91.4 | 904 |
| Other | 3.7 | 4.2 | 7.9 | 20.9 | 44.6 | 65.5 | 24.7 | 49.3 | 74.0 | 89.3 | 507 |
| Total: Currently |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total: Women not 10 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| currently married | 1.5 | 1.1 | 2.6 | 9.2 | 8.1 | 17.3 | 10.8 | 9.3 | 20.2 | 86.9 | 1,782 |
| Total: All women | 2.8 | 3.6 | 6.4 | 17.9 | 30.1 | 48.0 | 20.9 | 33.8 | 54.8 | 88.2 | 4,800 |

${ }^{1}$ Unmet need for spacing includes pregnant women whose pregnancy was mistimed, amenorrheic women whose last birth was mistimed, and women who are neither pregnant nor amenorrheic and who are not using any method of family planning but say they want to wait two or more years for their next birth. Also included in unmet need for spacing are women who are unsure whether they want another child or who want another child but are unsure when to have the birth. Unmet need for limiting refers to pregnant women whose pregnancy was un wanted, amenorrheic women whose last child was unwanted, and women who are neither pregnant nor amenorrheic and who are not using any method of family planning but who want no more children. Excluded from the unmet need category are menopausal and infecund women.
${ }^{2}$ Using for spacing is defined as women who are using some method of family planning and say they want to have another child or are undecided whether to have another. Using for limiting is defined as women who are using and who want no more children. Note that the specific methods used are not taken into account here.

Table 8.6 also shows the ideal number of children by the number of children that the respondent currently has. The mean ideal number of children increases steadily from 2.3 among childless women to 5.0 among women with six or more children.

Also shown in Table 8.6 is the ideal number of children reported by men. Overall, the mean ideal number of children is slightly greater among men (3.2) than among women (2.8).

## Table 8.6 Ideal and actual number of children

Percent distribution of all women and men by ideal number of children, and mean ideal number of children for all women and men and for currently married women and men, according to number of living children, Kazakhstan 1999

| Ideal number of children | Number of living children ${ }^{1}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  | Total |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | $6+$ |  |
| WOMEN |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0 | 0.4 | 0.1 | 0.4 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.8 | 0.3 |
| 1 | 10.5 | 10.9 | 3.6 | 2.9 | 2.7 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 6.7 |
| 2 | 52.9 | 52.2 | 48.7 | 17.4 | 14.3 | 11.4 | 8.8 | 42.5 |
| 3 | 19.8 | 24.3 | 25.1 | 35.8 | 5.7 | 12.0 | 5.0 | 23.0 |
| 4 | 7.5 | 5.0 | 13.6 | 21.3 | 40.8 | 13.9 | 16.8 | 12.8 |
| 5 | 1.8 | 2.3 | 3.8 | 8.1 | 14.5 | 30.3 | 6.2 | 5.0 |
| 6+ | 0.7 | 0.7 | 1.7 | 4.9 | 7.1 | 13.1 | 34.3 | 2.9 |
| Nonnumeric response | 6.4 | 4.5 | 3.0 | 9.5 | 15.0 | 19.3 | 28.1 | 6.8 |
| Total | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Number of women | 1,374 | 954 | 1,306 | 648 | 277 | 150 | 90 | 4,800 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Mean ideal number ${ }^{2}$ | 2.3 | 2.3 | 2.7 | 3.4 | 3.9 | 4.6 | 5.0 | 2.8 |
| Number of women | 1,286 | 911 | 1,266 | 586 | 236 | 121 | 65 | 4,471 |
| Currently married women: Mean ideal number ${ }^{2}$ | 2.5 | 2.4 | 2.7 | 3.5 | 3.9 | 4.6 | 4.9 | 3.0 |
| Number of women | 152 | 652 | 1,091 | 520 | 220 | 114 | 57 | 2,805 |
| MEN |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | (0.0) | (0.0) | 0.1 |
| 1 | 4.4 | 1.6 | 1.7 | 1.9 | 0.0 | (0.0) | (0.0) | 2.4 |
| 2 | 35.2 | 48.0 | 26.2 | 9.6 | 4.6 | (11.7) | (1.6) | 28.1 |
| 3 | 19.9 | 27.2 | 29.4 | 24.9 | 5.4 | (4.0) | (4.3) | 22.4 |
| 4 | 4.4 | 5.2 | 15.9 | 18.2 | 17.3 | (3.4) | (0.0) | 9.8 |
| 5 | 4.1 | 3.1 | 9.8 | 16.3 | 9.8 | (12.6) | (4.0) | 7.5 |
| 6+ | 3.1 | 4.4 | 3.1 | 6.3 | 18.2 | (19.2) | (19.2) | 5.5 |
| Nonnumeric response | 28.6 | 10.5 | 14.0 | 22.7 | 44.7 | (49.1) | (71.0) | 24.2 |
| Total | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Number of men | 506 | 210 | 378 | 183 | 74 | 40 | 49 | 1,440 |
| All men: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Mean ideal number ${ }^{2}$ | 2.8 | 2.8 | 3.2 | 3.8 | (5.4) | * | * | 3.2 |
| Number of men | 362 | 188 | 325 | 141 | 41 | 20 | 14 | 1,091 |
| Currently married men: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Mean ideal number ${ }^{2}$ | (2.5) | 2.8 | 3.2 | 3.9 | (5.3) | * | * | 3.4 |
| Number of men | 47 | 163 | 304 | 137 | 39 | 20 | 14 | 725 |

Note: An asterisk indicates that a figure is based on fewer than 25 unweighted cases and has been suppressed. Figures in parentheses are based on 25-49 unweighted cases.
Includes current pregnancy
${ }^{2}$ The means exclude women who gave nonnumeric responses.

Table 8.7 shows the mean ideal number of children for all women and all men by five-year age group and background characteristics. The ideal number increases with increasing age. Women age 15-19 report an ideal of 2.3 children; that number increases to 3.1 for women age $45-49$. A similar gradient can be seen for men: men age 15-19 report an ideal of 2.6 children, which increases to 3.7 for men age 45-49. The differentials by background characteristics are all in the expected direction and are more pronounced among older than among younger women. Rural women and
less educated women report a higher ideal number of children. The greatest differentials are found by region and ethnicity: women in the South Region and Kazakh women prefer a larger number of children. The same pattern of differentials was observed for men.

| Table 8.7 Mean ideal number of children by background characteristics |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Mean ideal number of children for all women and men, by age and selected background characteristics, Kazakhstan 1999 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Background characteristic | Age |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 15-19 | 20-24 | 25-29 | 30-34 | 35-39 | 40-44 | 45-49 | 50-59 | Total |
|  |  |  |  | OMEN |  |  |  |  |  |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Urban | 2.2 | 2.4 | 2.5 | 2.7 | 2.7 | 2.6 | 2.9 | - | 2.5 |
| Rural | 2.4 | 2.7 | 3.0 | 3.1 | 3.4 | 3.5 | 3.7 | - | 3.1 |
| Region |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Almaty City | 2.2 | 2.2 | 2.3 | 2.6 | 2.6 | 2.4 | 2.8 | - | 2.4 |
| South | 2.7 | 2.9 | 3.3 | 3.4 | 3.6 | 3.6 | 3.8 | - | 3.2 |
| West | 2.4 | 2.4 | 2.7 | 3.2 | 3.3 | 3.4 | 3.2 | - | 2.9 |
| Central | 2.1 | 2.3 | 2.5 | 2.5 | 2.5 | 2.5 | 2.4 | - | 2.4 |
| North | 2.0 | 2.4 | 2.2 | 2.6 | 3.0 | 2.7 | 3.0 | - | 2.5 |
| East | 2.1 | 2.2 | 2.4 | 2.5 | 2.7 | 2.7 | 3.0 | - | 2.5 |
| Education |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| No education | * | * | * | * | * | * | * | * | * |
| Primary/secondary | 2.4 | 2.5 | 2.9 | 3.2 | 3.4 | 3.2 | 3.4 | - | 2.8 |
| Secondary-special | 2.3 | 2.6 | 2.6 | 2.8 | 3.0 | 2.8 | 3.1 | - | 2.8 |
| Higher | 2.2 | 2.4 | 2.5 | 2.7 | 2.8 | 2.8 | 2.9 | - | 2.6 |
| Ethnicity |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kazakh | 2.6 | 2.7 | 2.9 | 3.2 | 3.4 | 3.5 | 4.0 | - | 3.1 |
| Russian | 2.0 | 2.2 | 2.3 | 2.2 | 2.4 | 2.3 | 2.6 | - | 2.3 |
| Other | 2.0 | 2.4 | 2.6 | 2.7 | 3.0 | 3.0 | 2.7 | - | 2.7 |
| Total women | 2.3 | 2.5 | 2.7 | 2.9 | 3.0 | 3.0 | 3.1 | - | 2.8 |
|  |  |  |  | MEN |  |  |  |  |  |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Urban | 2.6 | 2.9 | 2.7 | 3.4 | 3.2 | 3.4 | 3.1 | 2.9 | 3.0 |
| Rural | 2.6 | 2.9 | 3.0 | 3.6 | 4.0 | 4.0 | 4.4 | 4.4 | 3.5 |
| Region |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Almaty City | * | * | * | * | * | * | * | * | 2.7 |
| South | 3.3 | 4.3 | 3.7 | * | 4.0 | * | * | * | 3.9 |
| West | * | * | * | * | * | * | * | * | 3.8 |
| Central | * | * | * | * | * | * | * | * | 3.0 |
| North | 2.2 | (2.6) | (2.5) | (3.4) | 3.6 | (3.2) | (3.3) | (3.8) | 3.1 |
| East | (2.5) |  | * | * | (3.0) | * | * | * | 3.0 |
| Education |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Primary/secondary | 2.6 | 3.1 | (2.8) | (3.0) | 3.8 | (4.1) | (3.9) | 4.0 | 3.3 |
| Secondary-special | (2.5) | 2.8 | 2.8 | 3.8 | 3.5 | 3.3 | (3.7) | (2.7) | 3.2 |
| Higher |  |  | * | * | (3.2) | * | * | * | 3.1 |
| Ethnicity |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kazakh | 2.9 | 3.5 | 3.5 | 3.8 | 4.2 | 4.4 | (4.9) | (4.7) | 3.9 |
| Russian | 2.2 | (2.2) | 2.2 | (3.2) | 3.0 | 2.6 | (3.0) | 2.6 | 2.6 |
| Other |  |  | (2.7) |  | (3.0) |  |  | (3.8) | 3.1 |
| Total men | 2.6 | 2.9 | 2.8 | 3.5 | 3.6 | 3.6 | 3.7 | 3.4 | 3.2 |
| Note: An asterisk indicates that a figure is based on fewer than 25 unweighted cases and has been suppressed. Figures in parentheses are based on 25-49 unweighted cases. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

### 8.4 Wanted and Unwanted Fertility

In the 1999 KDHS, women were asked a series of questions about each of their children born in the five years preceding the survey-and, if pregnant, their current pregnancy-to determine whether the pregnancy was wanted then (planned), wanted later (mistimed), or not wanted (unplanned).

Table 8.8 shows the percent distribution of births in the five years before the survey by whether the birth was wanted then, wanted later, or not wanted. Nine out of ten births in the last five years were wanted, i.e., either planned ( 82 percent) or wanted later ( 8 percent). One out of ten births occurred to women who did not want another child. As expected, the percentage of unwanted births is greater among older women and for higher order births.

| Table 8.8 Fertility planning status |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Percent distribution of births in the five years preceding the survey and current pregnancies, by fertility planning status, according to birth order and mother's age, Kazakhstan 1999 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Birth order and mother's age | Planning status of birth |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Wanted then | Wanted later | $\begin{gathered} \text { Not } \\ \text { wanted } \end{gathered}$ | Missing | Total | of births |
| Birth order |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 90.2 | 6.6 | 2.7 | 0.4 | 100.0 | 574 |
| 2 | 79.6 | 11.3 | 8.6 | 0.4 | 100.0 | 465 |
| 3 | 79.4 | 7.7 | 12.6 | 0.3 | 100.0 | 284 |
| 4+ | 73.6 | 7.4 | 19.0 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 265 |
| Age at birth |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| <19 | 83.1 | 9.6 | 7.1 | 0.3 | 100.0 | 180 |
| 20-24 | 82.3 | 11.7 | 5.9 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 585 |
| 25-29 | 85.7 | 6.1 | 7.4 | 0.8 | 100.0 | 443 |
| 30-34 | 81.1 | 6.0 | 12.5 | 0.4 | 100.0 | 250 |
| 35-39 | 72.8 | 3.9 | 23.3 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 110 |
| 40-44 | * | * | * | * | 100.0 | 20 |
| Total | 82.4 | 8.3 | 8.9 | 0.3 | 100.0 | 1,587 |
| Note: Birth order includes current pregnancy. An asterisk indicates that a figure is based on fewer than 25 births (and current pregnancies) and has been suppressed. |  |  |  |  |  |  |

Table 8.9 presents wanted fertility rates. Wanted fertility rates indicate the theoretical level of fertility that would result if all unwanted births were prevented. Unwanted births are those that exceed respondents' ideal number. The comparison of observed total fertility rates and wanted fertility rates indicates the extent to which couples in a population successfully control their fertility.

In Kazakhstan, there is little difference between the observed total fertility rate ( 2.0 children per woman) and the wanted total fertility rate ( 1.9 children per woman). Similarly, only minor differences exist between actual and wanted fertility for population subgroups.

## Table 8.9 Wanted fertility rates

Total wanted fertility rates and total fertility rates for the three years preceding the survey, by selected background characteristics, Kazakhstan 1999

| Background <br> characteristic | Total wanted <br> fertility <br> rate | Total <br> fertility <br> rate |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Residence |  |  |
| Urban | 1.4 | 1.5 |
| Rural | 2.4 | 2.7 |
| Region |  |  |
| $\quad$ Almaty City | $(0.9)$ | $(1.0)$ |
| South | 2.7 | 2.9 |
| West | 2.1 | 2.3 |
| Central | 1.5 | 1.6 |
| North | 1.4 | 1.7 |
| East | 1.3 | 1.4 |
| Education |  |  |
| No education | $10.9)$ | $(0.9)$ |
| Primary/secondary | 2.2 | 2.4 |
| Secondary-special | 1.9 | 2.1 |
| Higher | 1.4 | 1.5 |
| Ethnicity |  |  |
| Kazakh | 2.3 | 2.5 |
| Russian | 1.2 | 1.4 |
| Other | $(1.4)$ | $(1.6)$ |
| Total | 1.9 | 2.0 |

Note: Rates are based on births to women 15-49 in the period 1-36 months preceding the survey. The total fertility rates are the same as those presented in Table 4.2. Rates in parentheses indicate that one or more of the component age-specific rates is based on fewer than 250 woman-years of exposure.

## INFANT AND CHILD MORTALITY

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### 9.1 Background and Assessment of Data Quality

This chapter presents information on mortality among children under five years of age. The rates shown provide information on mortality levels, time trends, and differentials between population subgroups. Mortality differentials are useful to agencies providing health services because they identify population subgroups in which the risk of dying in early childhood is high.

The mortality rates presented in this chapter are expressed as deaths per 1,000 live births, except in the case of child mortality rates, which are expressed as deaths per 1,000 children surviving to age one. Rates are presented for the following age intervals:

- Neonatal mortality (NN): the probability of dying within the first month of life.
- Postneonatal mortality (PNN): the difference between infant and neonatal mortality.
- Infant mortality $\left({ }_{1} q_{0}\right)$ : the probability of dying between birth and the first birthday.
- Child mortality $\left({ }_{4} q_{1}\right)$ : the probability of dying between exact ages one and five.
- Under-five mortality $\left({ }_{5} \mathrm{q}_{0}\right)$ : the probability of dying between birth and the fifth birthday.

The 1999 KDHS questionnaire included a reproductive history in which questions were asked about each of a woman's pregnancies. Respondents were asked to report their pregnancy outcomes in terms of standard international definitions (WHO, 1993). Live birth was defined as any birth, irrespective of the duration of pregnancy, that, after separation of the infant from the mother, showed any signs of life such as breathing, beating of the heart, or movement of voluntary muscles. Infant death was defined as the death of a live-born child under one year of age.

For each live birth reported in the pregnancy history, questions were asked about the date of birth (month and year), sex, survivorship status, and current age (for surviving children) or age at death (for deceased children). Mortality estimates for specific periods preceding the survey were calculated from this information.

The accuracy of mortality estimates from the 1999 KDHS depends on the sampling variability of the estimates and on non-sampling error (i.e., the completeness and accuracy with which births and deaths are reported and recorded). Sampling variability is discussed in the next section of this chapter. Typically, the most serious source of non-sampling error in a retrospective survey is underreporting of both the birth and the death of children who do not survive (United Nations, 1982). Such underreporting results in underestimated mortality rates.

Underreporting of deceased children is usually most severe for deaths that occur in early infancy (i.e., in the neonatal period). Underreporting of neonatal deaths results in an abnormally low ratio of neonatal mortality to infant mortality. In retrospective surveys, underreporting of early infant deaths is usually more common for births occurring long before the survey than for births occurring close to the survey date. Hence, it is useful to examine the ratios of neonatal to infant mortality for different retrospective periods.

Neonatal and infant mortality rates from the 1999 KDHS are shown in Table 9.1. The value of the ratio of neonatal mortality to infant mortality for the periods 1984-89, 1989-94, and 1994-99 are $0.53,0.50$, and 0.54 , respectively. In countries known for having complete and accurate mortality data at a level of infant mortality between 50 and 60 per 1000 (a range which includes the infant mortality rates estimated by the 1999 KDHS), the value of this ratio is typically between 0.50 and $0.60 .^{1}$ The ratios for Kazakhstan are in this range. Accordingly, this inspection of the data does not suggest substantial underreporting of neonatal deaths. ${ }^{2}$

### 9.2 Levels and Trends in Early Childhood Mortality

Table 9.1 shows infant and child mortality estimates from the 1999 KDHS. For the five years immediately preceding the survey (1994-99), the infant mortality estimate was 62 per 1,000 births. The estimates of neonatal and postneonatal mortality were 34 and 28 per 1,000 births, respectively. The estimate of child mortality (exact age 1 to exact age 5 ) was much lower: 10 per 1,000. The overall under-five mortality rate for the period was 71 per 1,000.

| Table 9.1 Infant and child mortality |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Infant and child mortality rates by five-year periods preceding the survey, Kazakhstan 1999 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

For the 15-year period preceding the survey, infant mortality declined 1984-89 (55 per 1,000 ) and 1989-94 (50 per 1,000) and then increased 1994-99 ( 62 per 1,000). The same pattern is evident in the estimates of child mortality: declines from 12 per 1,000 (1984-89) to 7 per 1,000 (1989-94) and then increases to 10 per 1,000 (1994-99). While these statistics evidence improving mortality conditions from the late 1980s to the early 1990s and deteriorating conditions from the early 1990s to the late 1990s, the true extent of mortality change may differ from the estimated rates because of sampling variability. ${ }^{3}$

[^12]${ }^{2}$ An examination of the ratio of the neonatal to the infant mortality rate can detect gross underreporting of events, but this indicator is not sufficiently sensitive to detect underreporting that is not severe. Thus, while capable of detecting severe event underreporting, this approach cannot confirm that events are completely and accurately reported.
${ }^{3}$ The mortality rates for the 1999 KDHS are based on data provided by a sample of 4,800 women age 15 to 49 and are subject to sampling variability. Of interest here is the 95 -percent confidence interval for the estimated rates. For example, the estimated infant mortality rate for 1994-99 (62 per 1,000 live births) has a broad 95 -percent confidence interval ( 47 to 76 per 1,000) (see Appendix B). Thus, the point estimate of 62 per 1,000 cannot be considered exact, and the true rate could be higher or lower.

Additional evidence that mortality levels have increased recently is provided by comparison with mortality estimates from the 1995 KDHS. The 1995 survey estimated an infant mortality rate of 40 per 1,000 for 1990-95. The 1999 survey estimate of 62 per 1,000 (1994-99) represents an increase of 55 percent. The sampling error associated with each of these estimates is substantial and precludes the absolute conclusion that mortality risks have increased. Nevertheless, the magnitude of the difference between the estimates strongly suggests some increase in mortality risks in the past five years. ${ }^{4}$

### 9.3 Infant Mortality Rates from the Agency on Health

Kazakhstan has a long history of demographic and health data collection. For births and infant deaths, the Agency on Health $(\mathrm{AOH})$ collects data through a system in which reports from local health officials, which primarily document events occurring in health facilities, are forwarded up the reporting hierarchy to the oblast level and to the AOH. Official government statistics on infant mortality are published in annual statistical reports.

The protocols used by health officials for collecting information on births and infant deaths are those established during the time of the former Soviet Union. The definitions of events in those protocols differ from the definitions that are recommended by the World Health Organization. For classifying events as live births and infant deaths, the most important definitional difference is for pregnancies terminating at a gestation age of less than 28 weeks. The Soviet protocols classify such pregnancies as miscarriages (even if signs of life are present at the time of delivery) unless the child survives for seven days. ${ }^{5}$ Alternatively, WHO defines a birth showing any sign of life (i.e., breathing, beating of the heart, or movement of voluntary muscles) as a live birth, irrespective of the gestation age at pregnancy termination (WHO, 1993). A less important difference in definition occurs for pregnancies terminating at 28 or more weeks of gestation. The Soviet system classifies such events as live births if breathing is present at delivery and otherwise as still births. WHO defines these events as live births if any sign of life is present at delivery and otherwise as stillbirths.

The definitional differences mean that some events classified as live births and infant deaths in the 1999 KDHS would be classified as miscarriages and stillbirths according to AOH protocols. As a result, infant mortality rates, and particularly neonatal mortality rates, reported by the 1999 KDHS can be expected to be greater than the estimates reported by AOH.

Table 9.2 shows infant mortality rates based on the AOH data for single calendar years from 1983 to 1997. Also shown are the average rates for the periods 1984-88, 1989-93, and 1994-97. Overall, the AOH rates show a modest decline between 1984-88 (30 per 1,000) and 1989-93 (27 per 1,000 ) and essentially no change between 1989-93 and 1994-97 (26 per 1,000).

There are two important differences between the infant mortality rates of the AOH and the 1999 survey (Figure 9.1). First, the AOH's rates are approximately 50 percent lower than the survey estimates. As suggested above, this discrepancy arises to some extent from definitional differences. Second, the trends of the two sets of estimates differ; the AOH's rates show no change between the

[^13]| Table 9.2 AOH infant mortality rates |  |
| :---: | :---: |
| Infant mort reported by the Health (AOH), 1983-97 | tality rates e Agency on , Kazakhstan |
| Year | Infant mortality rate (per 1,000) |
| 1997 | 24.9 |
| 1996 | 25.4 |
| 1995 | 27.0 |
| 1994 | 27.1 |
| 1993 | 28.0 |
| 1992 | 26.2 |
| 1991 | 27.4 |
| 1990 | 26.4 |
| 1989 | 25.9 |
| 1988 | 29.2 |
| 1987 | 29.4 |
| 1986 | 29.0 |
| 1985 | 30.1 |
| 1984 | 30.2 |
| 1983 | 31.2 |
| Mean 1994-97 | 726.1 |
| Mean 1989-93 | 26.8 |
| Mean 1984-88 | - 29.6 |
| Sources: 1983-93, Church and Koutanev, 1995; 1994-97, UNDP, 1998 |  |

recent periods (i.e., 27 per 1,000 for 1989-93 and 26 per 1,000 for 1994-97), while the 1999 KDHS estimates show mortality increases between those periods (i.e., 50 per 1,000 for 1989-94 and 62 per 1,000 for 1994-99).

A thorough investigation of the difference between the two sets of estimates is beyond the scope of this report. However, such an investigation would need to consider definitional differences between the AOH and the 1999 KDHS and the degree to which specific subintervals of infancy contribute to the overall difference in infant mortality estimates. Rates from both the AOH and the survey can be calculated for the early neonatal period (0-6 days), the late neonatal period ( $7-28$ days), and the postneonatal period (29-365 days). Reviewing these rates is important because only differences contributed by the early neonatal period can be ascribed to definitional differences between systems. The sampling variability of the survey's estimates would also need to be considered.

### 9.4 Socioeconomic Differentials in Childhood Mortality

Table 9.3 shows infant and child mortality by selected socioeconomic variables (residence, mother's education, and mother's ethnicity). The mortality rates are presented for the 10 -year period preceding the survey. A 10-year period is used to calculate the rates for population subgroups to reduce the sampling variability of the estimates.

The rates for residence display an expected pattern that agrees with the pattern found in most countries. The mortality estimates for rural areas are greater than the estimates for urban areas at all ages. The rural estimate of infant mortality ( 64 per 1,000 ) exceeds the urban estimate ( 44 per 1,000 ) by 46 percent. The rural estimate of under-five mortality ( 73 per 1,000 ) also exceeds the urban estimate ( 50 per 1,000) by 46 percent.

Mortality estimates by mother's education also display the expected differentials. The rates of infant mortality, for children of women with a primary or secondary education ( 57 per 1,000) or secondary-special education ( 56 per 1,000 ) exceed the rate for children of women with a higher education (47 per 1,000).

Pronounced mortality differentials exist by mother's ethnicity. The infant mortality rate for children of Kazakh ethnicity ( 58 per 1,000) exceeds the rate for children of Russian ethnicity ( 40 per 1,000 ) by 46 percent. The estimate of under-five mortality for children of Kazakh ethnicity ( 68 per 1,000 ) is greater than the estimate for children of Russian ethnicity ( 44 per 1,000 ) by 56 percent.

## Figure 9.1 Trends in Infant Mortality Agency on Health and KDHS



Table 9.3 Infant and child mortality by background characteristics
Infant and child mortality rates for the 10-year period preceding the survey, by selected socioeconomic characteristics, Kazakhstan 1999

| Background characteristic | Neonatal mortality ( NN ) | Postneonatal mortality (PNN) | Infant mortality $\left({ }_{1} q_{0}\right)$ | Child mortality $\left(4 q_{1}\right)$ | Under-five mortality $\left({ }_{5} \mathrm{q}_{0}\right)$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |
| Urban | 25.5 | 18.2 | 43.7 | 6.7 | 50.1 |
| Rural | 30.7 | 33.0 | 63.8 | 10.1 | 73.2 |
| Education |  |  |  |  |  |
| Primary/secondary | 28.0 | 29.0 | 57.0 | 11.0 | 67.4 |
| Secondary-special | 30.2 | 26.0 | 56.2 | 6.6 | 62.5 |
| Higher | 24.8 | 22.3 | 47.1 | 8.2 | 55.0 |
| Ethnicity |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kazakh | 26.5 | 31.7 | 58.2 | 10.4 | 68.0 |
| Russian | 33.5 | 6.4 | 39.8 | 3.8 | 43.5 |
| Other | 30.4 | 28.7 | 59.0 | 6.6 | 65.2 |
| Total | 28.4 | 26.5 | 54.9 | 8.5 | 63.0 |

### 9.5 Demographic Differentials in Childhood Mortality

The relationship between early childhood mortality and selected demographic variables is shown in Table 9.4. As was the case with the socioeconomic differentials, the rates are shown for the 10 -year period preceding the survey.

In Kazakhstan, as in almost all populations, the infant mortality rate for male children (62 per 1,000 ) exceeds the rate for female children ( 47 per 1,000 ). The child mortality rate (ages one to five) for males ( 11 per 1,000 ) also exceeds the rate for females ( 6 per 1,000 ).

The relationship between mortality and birth order indicates that births of order four or higher are at greater risk of dying than births of lower orders.

A clear association is indicated between mortality risk and the length of the preceding birth interval. The risk of dying in the first year for births occurring less than two years after a previous birth ( 83 per 1,000) is substantially greater than for births occurring after an interval of 2-3 years ( 46 per 1,000 ) or an interval of four or more years ( 40 per 1,000). This relationship suggests that some reduction in mortality would result if the proportion of births occurring after a short birth interval.

| Infant and child mortality rates for the 10-year period preceding the survey, by selected demographic characteristics, Kazakhstan 1999 |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Demographic characteristic | Neonatal mortality ( NN ) | Postneonatal mortality (PNN) | Infant mortality $\left({ }_{1} q_{0}\right)$ | Child mortality $\left(4 q_{1}\right)$ | Under-five mortality $\left({ }_{5} q_{0}\right)$ |
| Sex of child |  |  |  |  |  |
| Male | 32.6 | 29.5 | 62.0 | 10.6 | 72.0 |
| Female | 24.0 | 23.3 | 47.3 | 6.4 | 53.4 |
| Age of mother at birth |  |  |  |  |  |
| <20 | (52.2) | (27.3) | (79.5) | (4.8) | (83.9) |
| 20-29 | 24.4 | 26.5 | 50.9 | 10.3 | 60.7 |
| 30-39 | 25.7 | 24.6 | 50.3 | 5.4 | 55.5 |
| Birth order |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 29.7 | 21.4 | 51.0 | 11.2 | 61.6 |
| 2-3 | 26.2 | 25.6 | 51.7 | 5.2 | 56.7 |
| 4+ | 30.6 | 32.2 | 62.8 | 15.5 | 77.3 |
| Previous birth interval |  |  |  |  |  |
| <2 yrs | 42.3 | 40.3 | 82.6 | 5.8 | 87.9 |
| 2-3 yrs | 14.8 | 30.9 | 45.8 | 9.0 | 54.3 |
| $4+\mathrm{yrs}$ | 23.5 | 16.6 | 40.1 | 6.5 | 46.3 |
| Total | 28.4 | 26.5 | 54.9 | 8.5 | 63.0 |
| ( ) Rate based on 200-499 births |  |  |  |  |  |

### 9.6 High-Risk Fertility Behavior

Previous research has shown a strong relationship between the fertility patterns of women and the mortality risks of their children (Sullivan et al., 1994). Typically, mortality risks are greater for children who are born to mothers who are too young or too old, who are born after a short birth interval, or who have a high birth order. In this analysis, a mother is classified as too young if she is less than 18 years of age, and too old if she is older than 34 years of age. A short birth interval is defined as a birth occurring within 24 months of the previous birth, and a child is of high birth order if the mother had already given birth to three or more children.

Table 9.5 shows the distribution of children born in the five years before the survey by risk category. While first births to women age 18 to 34 are considered an unavoidable risk, they are included in the analysis and are shown as a separate risk category.

| Percent distribution of children born in the five years preceding the survey by category of elevated risk of dying, and the percent distribution of currently married women at risk of conceiving a child with an elevated risk of dying, by category of increased risk, Kazakhstan 1999 |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Births in 5 years preceding the survey |  | Percentage of |
| Risk category | Percentage of births | Risk ratio | married women ${ }^{\text {a }}$ |
| Not in any high-risk category | 28.1 | 1.0 | $32.3{ }^{\text {b }}$ |
| Unavoidable risk category <br> First birth between ages 18 and 34 | 33.2 | 1.3 | 5.3 |
| Single high-risk category |  |  |  |
| Mother's age <18 | 2.2 | 1.2 | 0.2 |
| Mother's age > 34 | 3.8 | 0.2 | 35.9 |
| Birth interval <24 months | 15.8 | 1.5 | 7.3 |
| Birth order $>3$ | 8.2 | 1.1 | 2.5 |
| Subtotal | 30.1 | 1.2 | 45.9 |
| Multiple high-risk category |  |  |  |
| Age $>34$ \& birth interval $<24$ mo. | 0.4 | 7.9 | 0.3 |
| Age $>34$ \& birth order $>3$ | 4.0 | 0.8 | 14.2 |
| Age $>34$ \& birth interval |  |  |  |
| $<24$ \& birth order $>3$ | 0.4 | 4.8 | 0.7 |
| Birth interval $<24$ \& birth order $>3$ | 3.9 | 2.4 | 1.3 |
| Subtotal | 8.6 | 2.0 | 16.5 |
| In any avoidable high-risk category | 38.7 | 1.4 | 62.4 |
| Total | 100.0 | - | 100.0 |
| Number of births | 1,449 | - | 3,018 |
| Note: Risk ratio is the ratio of the proportion dead of births in a specific highrisk category to the proportion dead of births not in any high-risk category. <br> ${ }^{a}$ Women were assigned to risk categories according to the status they would have at the birth of a child, if the child were conceived at the time of the survey: age less than 17 years and 3 months, age older than 34 years and 2 months, latest birth less than 15 months ago, and latest birth of order 3 or higher. <br> ${ }^{\mathrm{b}}$ Includes sterilized women |  |  |  |

Column 1 of Table 9.5 shows that in the five-year period before the survey, 30 percent of births were in a single high-risk category and 9 percent were in a multiple high-risk category.

Column 2 of the table shows risk ratios for avoidable high-risk births relative to births not having any high-risk characteristics. Overall, the risk ratio for births in a single high-risk category is 1.2 ( 20 percent higher than births in the no high-risk category). For births with multiple high-risk characteristics, the risk ratio is 2.0 (elevated by 100 percent).

Column 3 of Table 9.5 looks to the future and addresses the question, How many currently married women have the potential for having a high-risk birth? The results were obtained by simulating the risk category into which a birth to a currently married woman would fall if she were to become pregnant at the time of the survey. For example, a woman who was 37 years old at the time of the survey and had three previous births, the last of which occurred three years earlier, would be classified in the multiple high-risk category for being too old ( 35 or older) and at risk of having a high order birth (greater than 3).

Overall, 62 percent of currently married women have the potential to give birth to a child with an elevated risk of dying. Seventeen percent of women have the potential to give birth to a child with multiple high-risk factors.

## MATERNAL AND CHILD HEALTH

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This chapter presents findings concerning maternal and child health in Kazakhstan. Information is presented on usual sources of health care, maternal care during pregnancy and delivery, vaccinations of children, and child illnesses (respiratory infection, fever, and diarrhea) in the two weeks preceding the survey.

### 10.1 Usual Source of Health Care

Traditionally, health services in Kazakhstan were provided through a network of primary health care institutions such as polyclinics, hospitals (urban, rural, delivery hospitals, and other types), and women's consulting centers in urban areas and doctor's assistant/midwife posts (socalled FAPs) in rural areas. These institutions provided many types of primary health services, including routine physical examinations, vaccinations, antenatal care, and delivery assistance. For the purpose of management, the entire country was divided into health-service delivery areas, each representing between 3,000 and 4,000 people. Specialized services were provided through secondary and tertiary health systems.

Recently, a network of Family Group Practices (FGPs) has been created in Kazakhstan. In some areas, the FGPs have replaced polyclinics and other traditional types of primary health care institutions as the main source of health care for many families. The restructuring of the health care system is aimed at shifting from expensive specialized services to basic primary health care. The FGPs are thought to be more efficient than the traditional system because their financing is based on a capitation system designed to increase the managerial autonomy and internal control that primary-care providers have over their resources.

Women interviewed in the 1999 KDHS were asked if they have a usual source of care, and if they answered yes, they were asked what kind of place it is-a Family Group Practice, a polyclinic, a women's consulting center, an FAP, a hospital, or some other place. The results are presented in Table 10.1.

Thirty-seven percent of women reported that an FGP is their usual source of care, whereas 27 percent go to polyclinics for health services. FGPs are the most prevalent source of health care in the West, Central, and East regions (51, 52, and 55 percent, respectively). However, in Almaty City, less than 1 percent of women use FGPs as their primary source of care; 92 percent of them go to polyclinics for primary health care services.

Overall, 14 percent of women in Kazakhstan consider the hospital their usual source of care. Reliance on the hospital, which usually provides specialized services, is high in the South and North regions (19 and 18 percent, respectively) when compared with Almaty City and the West and East regions, where only 3,5 , and 8 percent of women, respectively, rely on the hospital as their usual source of care. Fourteen percent of women in Kazakhstan receive their primary health care services from FAPs (doctor's assistant/midwife posts), which are responsible mostly for antenatal services and delivery assistance in rural and remote areas.

Table 10.1 Usual source of health care by type of facility
Percent distribution of women who reported having a usual source of health care by type of facility, according to background characteristics, Kazakhstan 1999

| Background characteristic | Family group practice | Polyclinic | Women's consulting center | FAP | Hospital | Other | Outpatient clinic | Don't know | Missing | Total | Number of women |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Age |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 35.4 | 26.9 | 0.0 | 15.7 | 15.4 | 3.2 | 2.7 | 0.2 | 0.5 | 100.0 | 709 |
| 20-24 | 34.3 | 27.2 | 0.3 | 15.3 | 15.0 | 3.5 | 3.9 | 0.2 | 0.4 | 100.0 | 604 |
| 25-29 | 39.3 | 26.0 | 0.2 | 11.1 | 15.0 | 4.2 | 4.0 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 100.0 | 644 |
| 30-34 | 37.6 | 24.5 | 0.1 | 15.7 | 13.1 | 4.7 | 4.2 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 656 |
| 35-39 | 37.1 | 24.9 | 0.3 | 15.2 | 14.2 | 4.9 | 3.0 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 695 |
| 40-44 | 35.5 | 30.5 | 0.1 | 13.8 | 13.0 | 4.1 | 2.9 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 629 |
| 45-49 | 38.2 | 31.8 | 0.0 | 14.0 | 9.4 | 3.0 | 3.4 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 484 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Urban | 41.0 | 43.5 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 12.2 | 2.6 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 2,442 |
| Rural | 31.4 | 7.1 | 0.1 | 32.1 | 15.7 | 5.7 | 7.5 | 0.0 | 0.3 | 100.0 | 1,979 |
| Region |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Almaty City | 0.7 | 92.0 | 0.7 | 0.2 | 3.3 | 3.3 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 267 |
| South | 36.4 | 15.1 | 0.2 | 15.7 | 19.4 | 6.9 | 6.0 | 0.0 | 0.3 | 100.0 | 1,341 |
| West | 51.4 | 31.9 | 0.0 | 5.6 | 5.2 | 2.7 | 2.8 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 529 |
| Central | 52.1 | 26.1 | 0.1 | 6.3 | 10.0 | 4.1 | 0.1 | 0.9 | 0.2 | 100.0 | 413 |
| North | 24.2 | 29.4 | 0.0 | 26.1 | 17.7 | 2.6 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 1,229 |
| East | 54.5 | 18.2 | 0.1 | 8.1 | 8.3 | 1.9 | 8.6 | 0.1 | 0.3 | 100.0 | 643 |
| Mother's education |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Primary/secondary | 37.2 | 20.6 | 0.0 | 19.2 | 14.5 | 3.8 | 4.3 | 0.1 | 0.3 | 100.0 | 1,753 |
| Secondary-special | 37.5 | 26.5 | 0.2 | 13.1 | 15.0 | 4.5 | 3.0 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 1,782 |
| Higher | 34.4 | 41.7 | 0.2 | 7.8 | 9.8 | 3.2 | 2.4 | 0.4 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 886 |
| Ethnicity |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kazakh | 38.1 | 20.8 | 0.1 | 18.3 | 13.0 | 4.6 | 4.8 | 0.1 | 0.2 | 100.0 | 2,363 |
| Russian | 34.9 | 37.6 | 0.1 | 7.1 | 14.4 | 3.1 | 2.5 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 1,346 |
| Other | 35.8 | 28.8 | 0.3 | 15.6 | 15.2 | 3.5 | 0.5 | 0.0 | 0.3 | 100.0 | 712 |
| Total | 36.7 | 27.2 | 0.1 | 14.4 | 13.8 | 4.0 | 3.4 | 0.1 | 0.2 | 100.0 | 4,421 |

Note: Figures are for births in the period 0-59 months preceding the survey. Figures may not add to 100.0 due to rounding.
FAP $=$ Doctor's assistant/midwife post

### 10.2 Antenatal Care

The 1999 KDHS interviewers recorded all medical personnel that women reported having seen for antenatal care for each live birth in the five years preceding the survey. For the purpose of presenting results, antenatal care is classified in terms of the provider with the highest medical qualifications.

Table 10.2 and Figure 10.1 show the percentage of births for which mothers received antenatal care. A large proportion of mothers received care from professional health-care providers ( 94 percent). For 76 percent of births in the five years preceding the survey, mothers received antenatal care from a doctor, 3 percent received care from a doctor's assistant, and 15 percent

## Table 10.2 Antenatal care

Percent distribution of births in the five years preceding the survey by source of antenatal care during pregnancy, according to selected background characteristics, Kazakhstan 1999

| Background characteristic | Antenatal care provider ${ }^{1}$ |  |  |  | Missing | Total | Number of births |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Doctor | Doctor's assistant | Nurse/ trained midwife | No one |  |  |  |
| Mother's age at birth |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| <20 | 80.7 | 0.6 | 14.4 | 2.4 | 1.8 | 100.0 | 111 |
| 20-34 | 74.7 | 4.0 | 15.2 | 5.7 | 0.3 | 100.0 | 905 |
| 35+ | 82.8 | 0.6 | 13.2 | 3.4 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 112 |
| Birth order |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 83.3 | 3.2 | 9.4 | 4.1 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 357 |
| 2-3 | 74.3 | 3.9 | 16.3 | 4.6 | 0.9 | 100.0 | 570 |
| 4-5 | 68.9 | 2.5 | 20.3 | 8.3 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 153 |
| 6+ | 66.6 | 1.4 | 22.0 | 9.9 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 49 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Urban | 84.4 | 1.3 | 5.5 | 7.8 | 1.0 | 100.0 | 523 |
| Rural | 68.9 | 5.1 | 23.1 | 2.9 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 605 |
| Region |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Almaty City | 88.5 | 0.0 | 4.6 | 6.9 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 40 |
| South | 74.9 | 1.8 | 19.8 | 3.0 | 0.5 | 100.0 | 460 |
| West | 69.7 | 8.2 | 20.1 | 1.4 | 0.6 | 100.0 | 153 |
| Central | 81.4 | 0.0 | 2.0 | 16.6 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 101 |
| North | 79.3 | 4.6 | 12.9 | 2.4 | 0.8 | 100.0 | 244 |
| East | 73.9 | 4.5 | 8.5 | 13.1 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 131 |
| Mother's education |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Primary/secondary | 67.7 | 4.3 | 21.2 | 6.9 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 430 |
| Secondary-special | 80.4 | 3.6 | 10.7 | 4.7 | 0.6 | 100.0 | 499 |
| Higher | 83.4 | 0.9 | 12.0 | 2.6 | 1.0 | 100.0 | 199 |
| Ethnicity |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kazakh | 73.4 | 3.4 | 17.8 | 4.9 | 0.4 | 100.0 | 741 |
| Russian | 83.5 | 4.4 | 5.4 | 5.8 | 0.9 | 100.0 | 225 |
| Other | 77.9 | 1.7 | 14.8 | 5.6 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 162 |

No. of decisions with woman having final say

| $0-1$ | 74.1 | 4.8 | 17.6 | 2.6 | 0.8 | 100.0 | 261 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $2-3$ | 77.6 | 3.8 | 13.4 | 4.9 | 0.3 | 100.0 | 671 |
| $4-5$ | 73.5 | 0.0 | 16.5 | 9.5 | 0.5 | 100.0 | 197 |

No. of reasons to justify refusing sexual relations with husband

| 0 | 77.1 | 6.7 | 9.2 | 6.9 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 25 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| $1-2$ | 82.1 | 4.0 | 11.0 | 2.9 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 82 |
| $3-4$ | 75.6 | 3.2 | 15.4 | 5.3 | 0.5 | 100.0 | 1,021 |


| No. of reasons to justify wife beating |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 4-5 | 69.2 | 2.0 | 22.2 | 6.6 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 71 |
| 1-3 | 71.5 | 5.0 | 18.1 | 4.2 | 1.2 | 100.0 | 347 |
| 0 | 79.0 | 2.7 | 12.6 | 5.5 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 712 |
| All births | 76.1 | 3.4 | 14.9 | 5.2 | 0.4 | 100.0 | 1,129 |

[^14]Figure 10.1 Percent Distribution of Births by Antenatal Care and Delivery Characteristics


Note: Based on binths in the five years preceding the survey
KDHS 1999
received care from a nurse or trained midwife. In urban areas, doctor's provided 84 percent of antenatal care, doctor's assistants provided 1 percent, and nurses and midwives provided 6 percent, In rural areas, doctors provided 69 percent of antenatal care, doctor's assistants provided 5 percent, and nurses and midwives provided 23 percent.

Differences in antenatal care between age groups of women are negligible. Differences by birth order are more pronounced. Mothers are more likely to receive care for a doctor for first births ( 83 percent) than for births of order six and higher ( 67 percent).

There are significant differences in the source of antenatal care by region. The percentage of mothers who received care from a doctor is greater in Almaty City ( 89 percent) than in all other regions. The percentage of mothers who received no antenatal care is highest in the Central and East regions (17 and 13 percent, respectively).

Mother's education and ethnicity are also associated with antenatal care. Women with a higher education and Russian women are more likely to receive antenatal care from a doctor than are less-educated women and women of Kazakh or other ethnicities.

Antenatal care is most beneficial when it is sought early in pregnancy and is continued throughout pregnancy. The first visit to the women's consulting center should occur in the first three months of pregnancy so that a timely assessment of each woman's health can be made and appropriate procedures can be employed for the management of the pregnancy.

Table 10.3 shows information on the timing and number of visits to health care providers during pregnancy for live births in the five years preceding the survey. By the start of the third month of pregnancy, most women (84 percent) have made their first antenatal visit, and by the start of the sixth month of pregnancy, 92 percent have made a visit. The median duration of pregnancy for the first antenatal visit is 3.5 months.

Table 10.3 also indicates that 70 percent of women make four or more antenatal care visits. The median number of antenatal care visits is nine. Thus, in Kazakhstan, antenatal care is received early in pregnancy and, for most women, it is continued throughout pregnancy.

### 10.3 Antenatal Care Content

Determining of the extent of care given during the antenatal visits is important in judging the value of antenatal care services. In Kazakhstan, a set of procedures that is usually provided during the antenatal visit includes weighing, height measurement, blood pressure measurement, and blood and urine testing. These procedures are helpful in early diagnosis of pregnancy complications, which are important sources of maternal and child mortality and morbidity.

| Table 10.3 Number of antenatal care |  |
| :---: | :---: |
| Percent distribution of live births in the five years preceding the survey by number of antenatal care visits, and by the stage of pregnancy at the time of the first visit, Kazakhstan 1999 |  |
|  |  |
|  |  |
|  |  |
| Characteristic | Percentage of births |
| Number of visits |  |
| 0 | 5.2 |
| 1 | 2.8 |
| 2-3 | 8.1 |
| 4+ | 70.0 |
| Don't know/missing | 13.9 |
| Total | 100.0 |
| Median | 9.0 |
| Number of months p at time of first visit |  |
| No antenatal care | 5.2 |
| $<3$ months | 84.0 |
| 3-5 months | 8.2 |
| 6+ months | 1.8 |
| Don't know/missing | 0.8 |
| Total | 100.0 |
| Median | 3.5 |
| Number of births | 1,129 |
| Note: Figures are for births in the period 0-59 months preceding the survey. |  |

In the 1999 KDHS women were asked if these procedures were done at least once during their last pregnancy that occurred in five years preceding the survey. The respondents were also asked whether they had been told about the signs of pregnancy complications.

Table 10.4 presents information on the percentage of women who were informed about the signs of pregnancy complications, and who received routine antenatal care procedures during their last pregnancy in the five years preceding the survey by background characteristics. About half of the respondents reported that they were informed about the signs of pregnancy complications. Blood pressure measurement and urine and blood sampling was performed on more than 70 percent of women during their antenatal visits. Height and weight measurement is part of the antenatal care services for 67 and 68 percent of women, respectively.

Such routine antenatal care procedures are more common among women residing in urban areas than in rural areas, among women living in Almaty City and the North region than in other regions, among Russian women than women of Kazakh and other ethnicities, and among women with a higher education than women with lower levels of education.

Mother's age at birth and birth order are important differentials of the content of antenatal care. As seen in Table 10.4, routine antenatal care procedures are more often provided to women age 35 years and older because they are at a greater risk of pregnancy complications. Additionally, women with higher order births are more likely to receive routine antenatal care services than women with lower order births.

| Table 10.4 Antenatal care content |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Percentage of last live births in the five years preceding the survey for which mothers received antenatal care, by content of antenatal care and selected background characteristics, Kazakhstan 1999 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Background characteristic | Informed of signs of complications | Blood pressure measured | Urine sample taken | Blood sample taken | Weighed | Height measured | Received iron | Number of births |
| Mother's age at birth |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| <20 | 42.7 | 64.8 | 64.1 | 64.1 | 61.0 | 58.0 | 30.2 | 164 |
| 20-34 | 49.4 | 71.6 | 72.2 | 72.3 | 66.9 | 66.3 | 37.9 | 1,162 |
| 35+ | 70.3 | 86.7 | 85.2 | 85.2 | 85.6 | 82.5 | 43.3 | 123 |
| Birth order |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 44.9 | 64.8 | 64.9 | 64.9 | 62.4 | 60.0 | 33.9 | 522 |
| 2-3 | 52.9 | 76.7 | 77.0 | 77.2 | 70.7 | 70.7 | 40.0 | 689 |
| 4-5 | 51.4 | 74.0 | 74.1 | 74.1 | 70.0 | 68.2 | 35.4 | 184 |
| 6+ | 70.1 | 79.0 | 81.6 | 81.6 | 76.5 | 76.5 | 46.8 | 54 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Urban | 57.6 | 77.5 | 77.8 | 77.8 | 75.5 | 73.7 | 46.2 | 612 |
| Rural | 45.3 | 68.2 | 68.5 | 68.6 | 62.2 | 61.6 | 31.0 | 837 |
| Region |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Almaty City | 63.3 | 81.6 | 80.6 | 80.6 | 79.6 | 74.5 | 55.1 | 45 |
| South | 48.2 | 65.9 | 66.3 | 66.5 | 58.5 | 58.3 | 32.2 | 660 |
| West | 48.8 | 75.3 | 75.2 | 75.2 | 71.3 | 70.1 | 33.0 | 193 |
| Central | 51.5 | 69.8 | 69.9 | 69.9 | 68.8 | 65.8 | 39.4 | 118 |
| North | 53.2 | 82.0 | 82.6 | 82.6 | 80.7 | 78.7 | 47.2 | 284 |
| East | 52.6 | 75.9 | 75.9 | 75.9 | 75.9 | 75.4 | 41.2 | 149 |
| Mother's education |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Primary/secondary | 42.5 | 64.7 | 65.4 | 65.6 | 60.1 | 58.3 | 28.9 | 599 |
| Secondary-special | 54.5 | 75.7 | 75.8 | 75.8 | 71.4 | 71.1 | 42.0 | 616 |
| Higher | 60.3 | 81.9 | 81.7 | 81.7 | 78.3 | 76.9 | 47.5 | 233 |
| Ethnicity |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kazakh | 47.4 | 68.5 | 68.6 | 68.8 | 62.6 | 62.1 | 36.6 | 1,002 |
| Russian | 58.4 | 82.6 | 83.0 | 83.0 | 81.7 | 79.6 | 41.7 | 251 |
| Other | 56.0 | 77.1 | 78.1 | 78.1 | 76.9 | 74.1 | 36.3 | 196 |
| All births | 50.5 | 72.1 | 72.4 | 72.5 | 67.8 | 66.7 | 37.5 | 1,449 |
| Note: Figures are for births in the period 0-59 months preceding the survey. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

### 10.4 Assistance and Medical Care at Delivery

Hygienic conditions during delivery and supervision of delivery by trained medical staff reduce the risk of infections and ensure that complications of delivery are effectively handled. The 1999 KDHS collected information on the place of delivery for all children born in the five years preceding the survey and the type of medical staff assisting during delivery.

Table 10.5 indicates that virtually all births are delivered at health care facilities (98 percent). The great majority of births occur in a delivery hospital ( 89 percent). Another 9 percent of births occur in a public hospital. Only 2 percent of births are reported to occur outside a health care facility (i.e., primarily at the respondent's home). The high proportion of births delivered in delivery hospitals leaves little potential for differentials in place of delivery by background characteristics. Table 10.5 indicates that the percentage of births delivered in a hospital is 81 percent or higher for all population groups.

| Table 10.5 Place of delivery |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Percent distribution of live births in the five years preceding the survey by place of delivery, according to selected background characteristics, Kazakhstan 1999 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Place of delivery |  |  |  |  |  |  | Total | Number of births |
| Background characteristic | Delivery hospital | Public hospital | FAP | Respondents home | Other public | Other | Don't know/ missing |  |  |
| Mother's age at birth |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| <20 | 92.2 | 5.1 | 0.0 | 0.3 | 1.7 | 0.4 | 0.3 | 100.0 | 164 |
| 20-34 | 88.0 | 9.8 | 0.1 | 1.2 | 0.3 | 0.2 | 0.4 | 100.0 | 1,162 |
| 35+ | 88.8 | 6.5 | 0.0 | 4.7 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 123 |
| Birth order |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 89.2 | 9.7 | 0.0 | 0.4 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.5 | 100.0 | 522 |
| 2-3 | 89.6 | 8.2 | 0.2 | 0.9 | 0.5 | 0.1 | 0.4 | 100.0 | 689 |
| 4-5 | 85.0 | 9.3 | 0.0 | 3.8 | 1.1 | 0.8 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 184 |
| 6+ | 80.5 | 10.2 | 0.0 | 9.3 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 54 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Urban | 89.6 | 8.3 | 0.0 | 0.8 | 0.7 | 0.0 | 0.6 | 100.0 | 612 |
| Rural | 87.7 | 9.4 | 0.2 | 1.9 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.2 | 100.0 | 837 |
| Region |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Almaty City | 95.9 | 3.1 | 0.0 | 1.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 45 |
| South | 87.0 | 11.1 | 0.0 | 0.9 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.5 | 100.0 | 660 |
| West | 90.2 | 3.5 | 0.0 | 5.1 | 0.0 | 0.4 | 0.9 | 100.0 | 193 |
| Central | 95.3 | 2.9 | 0.7 | 0.7 | 0.0 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 118 |
| North | 89.1 | 9.5 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.4 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 284 |
| East | 84.5 | 12.1 | 0.5 | 2.0 | 0.5 | 0.0 | 0.4 | 100.0 | 149 |
| Mother's education |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Primary/secondary | 84.1 | 12.5 | 0.1 | 2.2 | 0.7 | 0.1 | 0.2 | 100.0 | 599 |
| Secondary-special | 91.6 | 6.3 | 0.1 | 1.1 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.4 | 100.0 | 616 |
| Higher | 91.9 | 6.9 | 0.0 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.9 | 100.0 | 233 |
| Ethnicity |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kazakh | 88.3 | 9.0 | 0.2 | 1.7 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.6 | 100.0 | 1,002 |
| Russian | 90.4 | 6.8 | 0.0 | 1.1 | 1.7 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 251 |
| Other | 87.6 | 11.6 | 0.0 | 0.5 | 0.0 | 0.4 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 196 |
| Antenatal care visits |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0 visits | 80.5 | 13.2 | 0.0 | 3.7 | 2.6 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 79 |
| 1-3 visits | 84.7 | 12.7 | 0.0 | 1.9 | 0.4 | 0.0 | 0.3 | 100.0 | 174 |
| 4 or more visits | 89.8 | 8.4 | 0.1 | 1.1 | 0.1 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 100.0 | 999 |
| Don't know/missing | 88.8 | 6.8 | 0.4 | 1.4 | 1.0 | 0.0 | 1.6 | 100.0 | 196 |
| All births | 88.5 | 9.0 | 0.1 | 1.4 | 0.4 | 0.2 | 0.4 | 100.0 | 1,449 |
| Note: Figures are for births in the period 0-59 months preceding the survey. FAP $=$ Doctor's assistant/midwife post |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

Table 10.6 indicates that almost all births are delivered under the supervision of medically trained personnel: 77 percent are delivered by a doctor and 22 percent by a doctor's assistant or a nurse or trained midwife.

While virtually all births are delivered by trained medical staff, there are differences in the percentage of deliveries performed by a doctor, a doctor's assistant, or a nurse or midwife by residence and region. More deliveries are attended by doctors in urban areas ( 86 percent) than in rural areas ( 70 percent), and more deliveries are attended by a doctor in the Central region ( 90 percent) and Almaty City ( 89 percent) than in the East and South regions (77 and 71 percent, respectively).

| Table 10.6 Assistance during delivery |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Percent distribution of live births in the five years preceding the survey by reported provider during delivery, according to selected background characteristics, Kazakhstan 1999 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Attendant assisting during delivery ${ }^{1}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Background characteristic | Doctor | Doctor's assistant | Nurse/ trained midwife | Traditional birth attendants | Relative/ other | Don't know/ missing | Total | Number of births |
| Mother's age at birth |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| <20 | 72.7 | 1.7 | 24.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.6 | 100.0 | 164 |
| 20-34 | 77.5 | 1.5 | 20.0 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.6 | 100.0 | 1,162 |
| 35+ | 75.6 | 2.3 | 22.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 123 |
| Birth order |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 80.6 | 0.9 | 17.7 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.8 | 100.0 | 522 |
| 2-3 | 76.5 | 1.3 | 21.2 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.7 | 100.0 | 689 |
| 4-5 | 69.4 | 3.4 | 26.4 | 0.0 | 0.8 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 184 |
| 6+ | 69.8 | 3.8 | 22.6 | 3.8 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 54 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Urban | 86.3 | 0.0 | 12.1 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 1.3 | 100.0 | 612 |
| Rural | 69.8 | 2.7 | 27.0 | 0.1 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 100.0 | 837 |
| Region |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Almaty City | 88.8 | 0.0 | 11.2 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 45 |
| South | 71.0 | 1.7 | 25.9 | 0.3 | 0.2 | 0.8 | 100.0 | 660 |
| West | 83.6 | 3.6 | 11.9 | 0.0 | 0.4 | 0.5 | 100.0 | 193 |
| Central | 90.4 | 0.0 | 8.9 | 0.7 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 118 |
| North | 78.3 | 1.3 | 19.7 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.7 | 100.0 | 284 |
| East | 76.5 | 0.5 | 22.6 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.4 | 100.0 | 149 |
| Mother's education |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Primary/secondary | 74.5 | 2.7 | 22.5 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 599 |
| Secondary-special | 76.2 | 0.8 | 21.8 | 0.3 | 0.2 | 0.7 | 100.0 | 616 |
| Higher | 84.6 | 0.8 | 12.9 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.8 | 100.0 | 233 |
| Ethnicity |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kazakh | 75.2 | 1.8 | 21.8 | 0.3 | 0.2 | 0.7 | 100.0 | 1,002 |
| Russian | 84.7 | 1.0 | 13.5 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.8 | 100.0 | 251 |
| Other | 75.1 | 0.9 | 23.9 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 196 |
| No. of decisions with |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| woman having final |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-1 | 72.9 | 2.8 | 22.9 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 1.1 | 100.0 | 368 |
| 2-3 | 79.3 | 1.3 | 18.5 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.5 | 100.0 | 845 |
| 4-5 | 74.0 | 0.6 | 25.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.4 | 100.0 | 236 |
| No. of reasons to justify refusing sexual relations with husband |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0 | 88.4 | 2.3 | 9.3 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 31 |
| 1-2 | 83.0 | 5.2 | 10.7 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.2 | 100.0 | 115 |
| 3-4 | 76.0 | 1.2 | 21.8 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.6 | 100.0 | 1,302 |
| No. of reasons to justify wife beating |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 4-5 | 87.6 | 1.2 | 11.2 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 120 |
| 1-3 | 71.2 | 2.7 | 23.8 | 0.5 | 0.2 | 1.6 | 100.0 | 460 |
| 0 | 78.3 | 1.0 | 20.3 | 0.1 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 100.0 | 869 |
| Antenatal care visits |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0 visits | 57.0 | 0.9 | 41.1 | 1.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 79 |
| 1-3 visits | 70.7 | 4.4 | 24.6 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.3 | 100.0 | 174 |
| 4 or more visits | 81.8 | 0.9 | 16.9 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 999 |
| Don't know/missing | 65.0 | 2.8 | 28.2 | 0.0 | 0.4 | 3.6 | 100.0 | 196 |
| Total | 76.8 | 1.6 | 20.7 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.6 | 100.0 | 1,449 |
| Note: Figures are for births in the period 0-59 months preceding the survey. Total includes 26 births for which data on antenatal care are missing. <br> If the respondent mentioned more than one attendant, only the most qualified attendant is considered. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

As observed with antenatal care, the likelihood of delivery under a doctor's supervision increases with a woman's educational level and is greater for women of Russian ethnicity ( 85 percent) than for women of Kazakh and other ethnicities ( 75 percent).

### 10.5 Characteristics of Delivery

In the 1999 KDHS, respondents were asked if their births were delivered by caesarean section. Respondents were also asked if their children were weighed at the time of birth, and if so, how much each baby weighed. Additionally, they were asked for their subjective assessment of their baby's size at birth (very large, larger than average, average size, smaller than average, or very small).

Table 10.7 indicates that according to mothers' reports, 10 percent of births in the five years before the 1999 KDHS were delivered by caesarean section. This estimate is slightly higher than reported statistic of 6 percent of deliveries by caesarean section (Agency on Health, 1998). Delivery by caesarean section is more common among births to older women (especially to women age 35 and older), women residing in urban areas, women with a higher education, and women of nonKazakh ethnicity. The rate of caesarean section among births in Almaty City and the West region (20 and 13 percent, respectively) is significantly higher than among births in the other regions ( 7 to 9 percent).

Mothers whose babies were weighed at birth were able to report the birth weight for 97 percent of all births in the past five years. As Table 10.7 indicates, 7 percent of births had a weight of less than 2.5 kilograms, which is classified as low birth weight and is considered to result in a higher than average risk of early childhood death.

According to the mother's subjective evaluation of the size of the child at birth, 6 percent of children were reported as very small at birth and another 13 percent were smaller than average. The percentage of births reported as very small is consistent with the 7 percent of births with a birth weight below 2.5 kilograms.

### 10.6 Use of Smoking Tobacco

Smoking tobacco during pregnancy adversely affects fetal development and increases the risk of perinatal morbidity. Tobacco use at other times has a negative impact on women's health status and may adversely affect children's growth and cause childhood illnesses, especially respiratory diseases.

In the 1999 KDHS, women who had one or more children living with them were asked if they currently smoked cigarettes or other tobacco products, and, if yes, how many times they smoked in the past 24 hours. As seen in Table 10.8, 9 percent of women in Kazakhstan smoke tobacco; most of them smoke cigarettes. An approximately equal percentage of women smokers smoked 1-2 times, $3-5$ times, or 6 or more times in the 24 hours preceding the interview (31, 33, and 30 percent, respectively).

Women residing in urban areas, women living in Almaty City and the Central region, women with a secondary-special education, and Russian women are more likely to be smokers than women of other population subgroups.

Table 10.7 Delivery characteristics: caesarean section, birth weight, and size
Among live births in the five years preceding the survey, the percentage of deliveries by caesarean section, and the percent distribution by birth weight and by mother's estimate of baby's size at birth, according to selected background characteristics, Kazakhstan 1999

| Background characteristic | Delivery by C-section | Birth weight |  |  | Total | Size of child at birth |  |  | Don't know | Total | Number of births |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \hline \text { Less } \\ & \text { than } \\ & 2.5 \mathrm{~kg} \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} 2.5 \mathrm{~kg} \\ \text { or } \\ \text { more } \end{gathered}$ | Don't know |  | Very small | Smaller than average | Average or larger |  |  |  |
| Age |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| <20 | 4.1 | 7.7 | 91.3 | 1.0 | 100.0 | 9.4 | 16.1 | 74.2 | 0.3 | 100.0 | 164 |
| 20-34 | 8.4 | 6.7 | 90.0 | 3.3 | 100.0 | 5.0 | 13.0 | 81.2 | 0.8 | 100.0 | 1,162 |
| 35+ | 28.0 | 12.3 | 84.9 | 2.8 | 100.0 | 6.3 | 10.6 | 83.1 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 123 |
| Birth order |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 11.4 | 7.2 | 91.3 | 1.5 | 100.0 | 6.7 | 14.5 | 77.8 | 1.0 | 100.0 | 522 |
| 2-3 | 7.7 | 7.3 | 89.5 | 3.3 | 100.0 | 4.8 | 12.6 | 81.9 | 0.7 | 100.0 | 689 |
| 4-5 | 9.0 | 6.4 | 88.7 | 4.9 | 100.0 | 5.1 | 12.5 | 82.3 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 184 |
| 6+ | 16.8 | 11.1 | 81.2 | 7.7 | 100.0 | 6.0 | 9.0 | 85.0 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 54 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Urban | 12.1 | 6.2 | 92.1 | 1.7 | 100.0 | 4.2 | 13.5 | 81.7 | 0.6 | 100.0 | 612 |
| Rural | 7.7 | 8.1 | 87.9 | 4.0 | 100.0 | 6.6 | 12.9 | 79.7 | 0.8 | 100.0 | 837 |
| Region |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Almaty City | 20.4 | 6.1 | 92.9 | 1.0 | 100.0 | 1.0 | 17.3 | 81.6 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 45 |
| South | 9.1 | 8.1 | 87.4 | 4.5 | 100.0 | 6.2 | 11.2 | 81.7 | 0.9 | 100.0 | 660 |
| West | 13.1 | 5.7 | 91.1 | 3.2 | 100.0 | 5.3 | 10.4 | 83.5 | 0.9 | 100.0 | 193 |
| Central | 7.4 | 6.3 | 92.6 | 1.1 | 100.0 | 3.8 | 11.8 | 84.4 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 118 |
| North | 7.5 | 6.7 | 92.7 | 0.6 | 100.0 | 6.0 | 18.7 | 74.6 | 0.6 | 100.0 | 284 |
| East | 9.4 | 8.3 | 89.1 | 2.7 | 100.0 | 5.3 | 14.7 | 79.6 | 0.4 | 100.0 | 149 |
| Mother's education |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Primary/secondary | 7.9 | 8.1 | 87.7 | 4.2 | 100.0 | 7.0 | 14.1 | 78.1 | 0.7 | 100.0 | 599 |
| Secondary-special | 9.7 | 6.7 | 91.2 | 2.1 | 100.0 | 5.3 | 12.6 | 81.7 | 0.4 | 100.0 | 616 |
| Higher | 13.3 | 6.9 | 90.8 | 2.3 | 100.0 | 2.7 | 12.1 | 83.7 | 1.5 | 100.0 | 233 |
| Ethnicity |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kazakh | 8.7 | 7.9 | 88.4 | 3.6 | 100.0 | 6.0 | 13.0 | 80.0 | 1.0 | 100.0 | 1,002 |
| Russian | 11.1 | 8.6 | 90.5 | 0.9 | 100.0 | 6.0 | 14.1 | 79.9 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 251 |
| Other | 12.2 | 2.4 | 95.2 | 2.5 | 100.0 | 2.8 | 12.7 | 84.5 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 196 |
| Total | 9.6 | 7.3 | 89.7 | 3.0 | 100.0 | 5.6 | 13.2 | 80.6 | 0.7 | 100.0 | 1,449 |

Note: Figures are for births in the period 0-59 months preceding the survey. Figures may not add to 100.0 due to rounding.

### 10.7 Vaccinations

According to guidelines developed by the World Health Organization, a child should have received a BCG vaccination to protect against tuberculosis, three doses of DPT/DT to protect against diphtheria, pertussis, and tetanus, three doses of the polio vaccine, and a measles vaccination by the age of 12 months.

| Table 10.8 Use of smoking tobacco |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Percent distribution of women by use of tobacco for smoking and percent distribution of smokers by frequency of use in preceding 24 hours, according to background characteristics, Kazakhstan 1999 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Background characteristic | Does not use tobacco | Cigarettes | Other tobacco | Total | Number of women | Frequency of tobacco use in preceding 24 hours |  |  |  | Total | Number of women |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | 0 | 1-2 | 3-5 | $6+$ |  |  |
| Age |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| <20 | 94.2 | 5.6 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 658 | 2.6 | 29.1 | 27.4 | 41.0 | 100.0 | 37 |
| 20-34 | 90.8 | 9.0 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 3,745 | 7.5 | 31.4 | 32.6 | 28.5 | 100.0 | 341 |
| 35+ | 91.1 | 8.2 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 397 | 0.0 | 23.1 | 47.5 | 29.4 | 100.0 | 32 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Urban | 87.4 | 12.3 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 2,668 | 5.7 | 27.5 | 36.5 | 30.2 | 100.0 | 328 |
| Rural | 96.1 | 3.7 | 0.2 | 100.0 | 2,132 | 9.4 | 42.6 | 20.4 | 27.6 | 100.0 | 82 |
| Region |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Almaty City | 77.5 | 22.2 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 291 | 5.0 | 24.8 | 33.3 | 36.9 | 100.0 | 64 |
| South | 95.6 | 4.2 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 1,455 | 7.9 | 32.6 | 42.7 | 16.9 | 100.0 | 61 |
| West | 92.2 | 7.3 | 0.2 | 100.0 | 628 | 20.3 | 50.1 | 24.2 | 5.5 | 100.0 | 48 |
| Central | 85.4 | 14.2 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 475 | 4.3 | 26.7 | 31.6 | 37.4 | 100.0 | 68 |
| North | 92.2 | 7.7 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 1,259 | 2.1 | 35.6 | 32.8 | 29.5 | 100.0 | 99 |
| East | 89.4 | 10.1 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 692 | 5.4 | 17.2 | 33.7 | 43.8 | 100.0 | 70 |
| Mother's education |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Primary/secondary | 92.5 | 7.2 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 1,927 | 9.5 | 34.1 | 32.0 | 24.4 | 100.0 | 140 |
| Secondary-special | 89.6 | 10.1 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 1,908 | 4.0 | 27.7 | 33.3 | 35.0 | 100.0 | 195 |
| Higher | 92.0 | 7.8 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 965 | 7.2 | 31.3 | 36.0 | 25.5 | 100.0 | 75 |
| Ethnicity |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kazakh | 96.1 | 3.6 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 2,587 | 10.5 | 44.9 | 34.0 | 10.5 | 100.0 | 96 |
| Russian | 83.4 | 16.4 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 1,454 | 5.1 | 26.2 | 32.7 | 36.0 | 100.0 | 238 |
| Other | 89.9 | 9.8 | 0.2 | 100.0 | 760 | 5.4 | 26.2 | 34.5 | 33.9 | 100.0 | 76 |
| Total | 91.3 | 8.5 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 4,800 | 6.5 | 30.6 | 33.3 | 29.7 | 100.0 | 410 |
| Note: Figures may not add to 100.0 due to rounding. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

Information on vaccination coverage was collected in the 1999 KDHS for all children under five years of age. In Kazakhstan, child health cards are maintained in the local health care facilities rather than in the homes of respondents. In the 1995 KDHS survey, vaccination data were collected from the woman's questionnaires (i.e., based on mother's recall). As demonstrated by the 1996 Uzbekistan DHS survey and the 1997 Kyrgyz Republic DHS survey, mothers' reports of vaccination coverage are an unreliable source of information (Institute of Obstetrics and Gynecology of Uzbekistan and Macro International Inc., 1997; Institute of Obstetrics and Pediatrics of the Kyrgyz Republic and Macro International Inc., 1998). For this reason the 1999 KDHS collected vaccination data only from the health cards maintained at health care facilities. Because of the differences in the sources of the vaccination data, the information on vaccination coverage from the 1995 KDHS is not comparable to the 1999 KDHS.

In the 1999 KDHS, vaccination data from health cards were collected by the supervisors of the interviewing teams by visiting the health care facilities and searching for the child health cards with the help of facility personnel (i.e., a nurse or archive clerk). Cards were found for 91 percent
of children 12 to 23 months of age reported in the women's questionnaires. The team supervisors recorded the vaccination data for each child on forms designed for that purpose.

Table 10.9 shows rates of vaccination coverage for children $12-23$ months of age (i.e., children who should be fully vaccinated). BCG vaccination is usually given in delivery hospitals soon after delivery and was found to be nearly universal (99 percent). Ninety-three percent of children had received the initial dose of the polio vaccine in the hospital. Almost all children (99 percent) had received the first doses of polio and DPT/DT. Coverage for the second dose of polio and DPT/DT was also very high (98 and 99 percent, respectively). The third doses of polio and DPT/DT were received by 92 and 98 percent of children, respectively. Eighty-seven percent of children had received the measles vaccine. Because of the high levels of coverage for BCG, measles, and individual doses of polio and DPT/DT vaccines, the percentage of children age 12-23 months who had received all WHO-recommended vaccinations was high (81 percent).

Table 10.9 Vaccinations by background characteristics

Percentage of children age 12-23 months who had received specific vaccines by the time of the survey (according to the vaccination card), by selected background characteristics, Kazakhstan 1999

| Background characteristic | BCG | Percentage of children who received: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | DPT/DT |  |  | Polio |  |  |  | Measles | All vaccinations |  | Number of children |
|  |  | 1 | 2 | $3+$ | 0 | 1 | 2 | $3+$ |  |  |  |  |
| Sex |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Male | 99.5 | 99.5 | 99.5 | 99.5 | 94.8 | 99.5 | 99.5 | 91.9 | 87.7 | 81.9 | 0.5 | 117 |
| Female | 98.7 | 98.9 | 97.7 | 96.2 | 92.0 | 98.2 | 97.2 | 91.3 | 85.4 | 79.3 | 0.0 | 127 |
| Birth order |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 98.4 | 97.9 | 97.4 | 97.4 | 94.3 | 97.9 | 97.4 | 93.0 | 84.7 | 82.5 | 0.6 | 96 |
| 2-3 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 99.1 | 99.1 | 92.3 | 99.1 | 98.5 | 89.7 | 88.2 | 81.5 | 0.0 | 113 |
| 4-5 | 97.4 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 92.8 | 92.5 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 92.8 | 92.6 | 75.5 | 0.0 | 28 |
| $6+$ | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 55.8 | 55.8 | 0.0 | 6 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Urban | 98.6 | 99.4 | 98.0 | 96.1 | 95.6 | 98.5 | 98.0 | 93.2 | 90.1 | 82.9 | 0.6 | 106 |
| Rural | 99.5 | 99.0 | 99.0 | 99.0 | 91.6 | 99.0 | 98.5 | 90.4 | 83.7 | 78.8 | 0.0 | 138 |
| Region |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Almaty City | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 88.2 | 88.2 | 0.0 | 8 |
| South | 100.0 | 98.5 | 98.5 | 98.5 | 88.7 | 98.5 | 98.5 | 93.2 | 88.0 | 84.2 | 0.0 | 92 |
| West | 100.0 | 100.0 | 97.6 | 97.6 | 100.0 | 97.6 | 95.8 | 85.6 | 89.1 | 77.2 | 0.0 | 40 |
| Central | 96.7 | 96.7 | 93.8 | 93.8 | 90.5 | 96.7 | 93.8 | 87.7 | 88.9 | 79.9 | 3.3 | 18 |
| North | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 96.3 | 96.7 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 90.0 | 82.7 | 75.7 | 0.0 | 55 |
| East | 94.7 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 92.4 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 97.6 | 83.5 | 81.1 | 0.0 | 31 |
| Mother's education |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Primary/secondary | 99.3 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 98.0 | 91.9 | 100.0 | 99.3 | 91.4 | 86.7 | 78.0 | 0.0 | 100 |
| Secondary-special | 98.6 | 98.1 | 96.7 | 96.7 | 94.1 | 97.2 | 96.7 | 89.8 | 85.2 | 80.8 | 0.6 | 107 |
| Higher | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 94.8 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 97.3 | 89.4 | 86.8 | 0.0 | 36 |
| Ethnicity |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kazakh | 100.0 | 99.2 | 98.6 | 98.6 | 92.1 | 98.6 | 98.2 | 90.7 | 88.2 | 83.7 | 0.0 | 170 |
| Russian | 95.7 | 98.8 | 97.8 | 94.0 | 95.7 | 98.8 | 97.8 | 96.0 | 79.6 | 71.5 | 1.2 | 52 |
| Other | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 97.1 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 87.9 | 89.5 | 77.4 | 0.0 | 21 |
| All children | 99.1 | 99.2 | 98.6 | 97.7 | 93.3 | 98.8 | 98.3 | 91.6 | 86.5 | 80.5 | 0.3 | 244 |

### 10.8 Acute Respiratory Infection

Acute respiratory infection (ARI) is a primary cause of morbidity among children and a leading cause of infant mortality throughout the world. In the 1999 KDHS, mothers were asked if their children under five years of age had been ill with a cough accompanied by short, rapid breathing in the two weeks preceding the survey. These symptoms are compatible with ARI. It should be noted that the morbidity data collected in the 1999 KDHS are subjective in the sense that they are based on the mother's perception of illness without validation by medical personnel. Also, the data apply to the period from June to September, while the peak prevalence of ARI is in midwinter.

Table 10.10 and Figure 10.2 indicate that 3 percent of children under five years of age were ill with a cough accompanied by short, rapid breathing in the two weeks preceding the survey. Differentials in the prevalence of ARI are most pronounced by age, with children 12-23 months of age ( 5 percent) being more likely to have had an episode of ARI than other children ( 1 to 3 percent).

Differentials in ARI also exist according to birth order and area of residence. Whether these differentials in illness prevalence reflect genuine differences in morbidity or are due to differences in perceptions of illness cannot be ascertained from these data.

Overall, 48 percent of children with ARI or fever were taken to a health care facility or health care provider for treatment. (Because of the relatively small number of reported cases of ARI data on treatment are not shown.)

### 10.9 Fever

Table 10.10 shows that 12 percent of children had an episode of fever during the two weeks prior to the survey. Differentials in the prevalence of fever are most pronounced by age, with children 6-11 and 12-23 months of age (15 and 21 percent, respectively) being more likely to have had a fever than children of any other age group.

### 10.10 Diarrhea

Dehydration caused by severe diarrhea is a major cause of morbidity among young children and an important cause of infant and child death.

Table 10.11 indicates that 13 percent of children under five had diarrhea in the two weeks preceding the survey. The age pattern of diarrhea shows a peak at 6-11 and 12-23 months (i.e., around the time when a child begins to crawl and experience more exposure to the environment). The most pronounced differentials in diarrhea are associated with region. Children in Almaty City and the West region are most likely to have diarrhea (16 percent), while children in the Central and the North regions are least likely to have diarrhea (10 and 11 percent, respectively).

A prompt increase in a child's fluid intake is a simple and effective procedure to prevent diarrhea from developing into a life-threatening illness. Increased fluid intake should be administered in the form of a sugar, salt, and water solution, i.e., oral rehydration therapy (ORT). A product called Rehydron is widely available throughout Kazakhstan for use in ORT.

| Table 10.10 Prevalence of acute respiratory infection and fever |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Percentage of children under five years who were ill with a cough accompanied by short, rapid breathing (acute respiratory infection) during the two weeks preceding the survey, and the percentage of children with fever during the two weeks preceding the survey, by selected background characteristics, Kazakhstan 1999 |  |  |  |  |
| Background characteristic | Percentage of children with cough and rapid breathing | Percentage of children with a fever | Percentage taken to a health facility or provider ${ }^{1}$ | Number of children |
| Child's age |  |  |  |  |
| $<6$ months | 0.9 | 7.4 | 100.0 | 113 |
| 6-11 months | 1.9 | 15.2 | 83.6 | 130 |
| 12-23 months | 4.7 | 21.1 | 42.3 | 269 |
| 24-35 months | 2.9 | 7.7 | 8.7 | 276 |
| 36-47 months | 2.9 | 10.6 | 87.2 | 259 |
| 48-59 months | 2.8 | 10.7 | 42.3 | 307 |
| Sex |  |  |  |  |
| Male | 2.9 | 11.4 | 57.9 | 677 |
| Female | 3.1 | 13.2 | 38.6 | 678 |
| Birth order |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 2.2 | 13.8 | 61.8 | 487 |
| 2-3 | 3.7 | 12.7 | 41.1 | 647 |
| 4-5 | 1.8 | 7.8 | 73.4 | 170 |
| 6+ | 5.5 | 8.3 | 25.3 | 51 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |
| Urban | 3.2 | 12.8 | 46.9 | 583 |
| Rural | 2.8 | 11.9 | 49.0 | 771 |
| Region |  |  |  |  |
| Almaty City | 5.2 | 13.5 | 100.0 | 44 |
| South | 3.0 | 11.6 | 19.2 | 602 |
| West | 4.2 | 10.6 | 62.0 | 183 |
| Central | 3.2 | 10.7 | 66.9 | 114 |
| North | 2.1 | 16.3 | 100.0 | 268 |
| East | 2.3 | 10.9 | 27.4 | 143 |
| Education |  |  |  |  |
| Primary/secondary | 2.7 | 11.4 | 29.1 | 562 |
| Secondary-special | 3.3 | 13.5 | 62.4 | 577 |
| Higher | 2.8 | 11.4 | 49.2 | 215 |
| Ethnicity |  |  |  |  |
| Kazakh | 3.0 | 12.0 | 35.4 | 933 |
| Russian | 2.6 | 15.3 | 78.6 | 236 |
| Other | 3.5 | 10.0 | 72.8 | 185 |
| All children | 3.0 | 12.3 | 48.0 | 1,354 |
| Note: Figures are for children born in the period 0-59 months preceding the survey. ${ }^{1}$ Children with cough accompanied by short, rapid breathing or children with fever. |  |  |  |  |

# Figure 10.2 Prevalence of Respiratory Ilness, Fever and Diarrhea in the Last Two Weeks by Age of the Child 



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All women who had a birth in the past five years were asked some basic questions about how to care for a child with diarrhea; namely, if the intake of liquids and solid foods should be increased and if they had ever heard of Rehydron as a treatment for diarrhea. Most women reported that they had heard of Rehydron (87 percent) (data not shown).

Mothers were also asked if their children had had an episode of diarrhea in the past two weeks and if so, whether Rehydron or any other treatment was given for the diarrhea and whether fluid intake was increased or decreased. Table 10.12 shows that 26 percent of children with diarrhea were taken to a health facility for treatment, 32 percent of children received oral rehydration therapy (Rehydron), and 58 percent of children received increased fluids. Overall, ORT or increased fluids were used to treat 63 percent of children with diarrhea.

Table 10.13 summarizes the feeding practices that mothers followed when children had diarrhea. Eighty-six percent of children with diarrhea were given fluids in either the same or increased amounts, whereas only 11 percent were given reduced amounts of fluids.

| Table 10.11 Prevalence of diarrhea |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Percentage of children under five years of age with diarrhea during the two weeks preceding the survey, by selected background characteristics, Kazakhstan 1999 |  |  |
| Background characteristic | Diarrhea prevalence 2 weeks | Number of children |
| Child's age |  |  |
| $<6$ months | 13.0 | 113 |
| 6-11 months | 24.3 | 130 |
| 12-23 months | 22.7 | 269 |
| 24-35 months | 14.6 | 276 |
| 36-47 months | 6.6 | 259 |
| 48-59 months | 5.3 | 307 |
| Sex |  |  |
| Male | 12.7 | 677 |
| Female | 14.1 | 678 |
| Birth order |  |  |
| 1 | 17.6 | 487 |
| 2-3 | 12.9 | 647 |
| 4-5 | 6.3 | 170 |
| 6+ | 2.8 | 51 |
| Residence |  |  |
| Urban | 14.8 | 583 |
| Rural | 12.3 | 771 |
| Region |  |  |
| Almaty City | 15.6 | 44 |
| South | 13.9 | 602 |
| West | 15.9 | 183 |
| Central | 10.1 | 114 |
| North | 11.4 | 268 |
| East | 13.6 | 143 |
| Education |  |  |
| Primary/secondary | 13.9 | 562 |
| Secondary-special | 13.5 | 577 |
| Higher | 11.7 | 215 |
| Ethnicity |  |  |
| Kazakh | 13.7 | 933 |
| Russian | 13.9 | 236 |
| Other | 11.2 | 185 |
| All children | 13.4 | 1,354 |
| Note: Figures are for children born in the period 0-59 months preceding the survey. |  |  |

## Table 10.12 Treatment of diarrhea

Among children under five years who had diarrhea in the two weeks preceding the survey, the percentage taken to a health facility or provider for treatment, the percentage who received oral rehydration therapy, the percentage who received increased fluids, and the percentage who received neither oral rehydration therapy nor increased fluids, Kazakhstan 1999

| Treatments received | Percentage <br> of children |
| :--- | :---: |
| Taken to a health facility or provider ${ }^{1}$ | 25.8 |
| Received oral rehydration therapy <br> Rehydron | 32.0 |
| Received increased fluids | 57.6 |
| Neither Rehydron, homemade sugar-salt- <br> water solution, nor increased fluids | 47.4 |
| Number of children | 181 |
| Includes health center, hospital, clinic, and private <br> doctor |  |

Table 10.13 Feeding practices during diarrhea

Percent distribution of children under five who had diarrhea in the past two weeks by amount of solid foods given and amount of fluids given, Kazakhstan 1999

| Feeding <br> practices | Percent |
| :--- | ---: |
| Amount of fluids |  |
| Same | 28.6 |
| Increase | 57.6 |
| Decrease | 11.1 |
| Don't know/missing | 2.7 |
|  |  |
| Amount of solid foods | 40.6 |
| Same | 7.5 |
| Increase | 51.2 |
| Decrease | 0.8 |
| Don't know/missing |  |
|  | 100.0 |
| Total | 181 |

Note: Figures are for children born in the period 0-59 months preceding the survey.

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This chapter covers two topics: infant feeding practices and the nutritional status of women and children. The former is described in terms of breastfeeding practices, supplementary feeding practices, and the use of bottles for supplementary feeding. Nutritional status is reported in terms of the height and weight of women and children.

### 11.1 Breastfeeding and Supplementation

Infant feeding practices have important influences on both the child and the mother. For example, they determine a child's nutritional status and susceptibility to morbidity. Breastfeeding also affects the health of a woman because of its influence on the return of ovulation after a birth and a woman's risk of another pregnancy.

Optimal infant feeding is defined by WHO and UNICEF as follows (WHO/UNICEF, 1990; WHO, 1994):

- Initiation of breastfeeding within about one hour of birth;
- Frequent, on-demand feeding (including night feeds);
- Exclusive breastfeeding (defined as breast milk only and no other foods or liquids until the infant is about six months of age);
- Breastfeeding complemented with hygienically prepared, appropriate local foods at about six months of age;
- Increased breastfeeding during illness and recovery;
- Continued breastfeeding well into the second year of life and beyond.

The Government of Kazakhstan conforms to the above definition, with recommendations for exclusive breastfeeding until about six months of age, followed by complementary foods at about the same age.

In the 1999 KDHS, for each child born in the last five years, mothers were asked if they had breastfed the child and, if so, how long after delivery breastfeeding was initiated. Women were also asked if their children were still breastfeeding and the age at which supplemental feeding began. Finally, for children not currently breastfeeding, the age at which they stopped breastfeeding was obtained.

With these data, it is possible to look at several aspects of breastfeeding. For children born in the last five years, the length of time between delivery and initiation of breastfeeding can be investigated. From the data on current breastfeeding status (i.e., status at the time of the survey), the percentage of children breastfeeding by age can be calculated as well as median durations of breastfeeding by background characteristics of mothers.

### 11.2 Initiation of Breastfeeding

Early initiation of breastfeeding is important because it fosters bonding between mother and infant and takes advantage of the newborn's sucking reflex and alertness immediately postpartum. Initiation of breastfeeding within the first hour of life permits the newborn to benefit from colostrum, which has been proven to be highly nutritious and to contain the antibodies necessary to protect babies from infection before their immune system is fully mature. (Righard and Alade, 1990).

Early initiation of breastfeeding also stimulates breast milk production and causes the uterus to retract, which can reduce postpartum blood loss. Delayed initiation of breastfeeding often results in the newborn being provided with another source of nourishment, often ritual liquids and foods that can introduce infection and delay lactogenesis (milk arrival) (Perez-Escamilla et al., 1996)

Table 11.1 indicates that breastfeeding is almost universal in Kazakhstan; 95 percent of children born in the five years preceding the survey were breastfed. Overall, 27 percent of children were breastfed within an hour of birth and 62 percent within 24 hours of birth.

There was no significant variation between population groups in the percent of children breastfed. However, there were significant differences in the timing of initiation of breastfeeding. Initiation within an hour of birth is more likely among urban women ( 38 percent) than among rural women (19 percent) and more likely in Almaty City ( 54 percent) and the Central region (58 percent) than in other regions. Some differentials in the initiation of breastfeeding exist by mother's ethnicity. Breastfeeding was less likely within an hour of birth among Kazakh women and women of other ethnicities ( 25 and 19 percent, respectively) than among Russian women ( 39 percent). This differential was maintained for the period within one day of birth ( 61,55 , and 70 percent, respectively).

### 11.3 Breastfeeding Patterns by Age

Frequent, on-demand breastfeeding, including night feeds, are important to ensure both that an infant receives sufficient breast milk and that the supply of breast milk is maintained. Frequent feedings can also help to prevent problems of engorgement and sore nipples. On-demand feeding is important to ensure that newborns regain their birth weight (de Carvalho et al., 1983). Infants should be breastfed 8-10 times every 24 hours and even more frequently during the first month of life.

Exclusive breastfeeding, defined as breast milk as the only source of infant food or liquid, meets nutritional requirements (Cohen et al., 1994), and protects against illness (Huffman and Combest, 1990) for about the first six months of life. Exclusively breastfed infants are 14 times less likely to die from diarrhea compared with formula fed infants and four times less likely to die compared to partially breastfed infants (Victora et al., 1987). Thus exclusive breastfeeding is the infant feeding behavior most predictive of infant survival.

At about six months of age, breast milk alone will no longer satisfy the energy and protein requirements of most infants. Local foods that are rich in energy, protein, and micronutrients, and that are hygienically prepared and soft to eat need to be provided. During this transitional period when complementary foods are being introduced, on-demand and frequent breastfeeding should continue to ensure that infants receive all the benefits of breastfeeding. Increased diarrheal morbidity due to the introduction of other foods and liquids can be prevented with proper hygiene.

## Table 11.1 Initial breastfeeding

Percentage of children born in the five years preceding the survey who were ever breastfed, and the percentage of last-born children who started breastfeeding within one hour of birth and within one day of birth, by selected background characteristics, Kazakhstan 1999

| Background characteristic | Percentage ever breastfed | Among last-born children, percentage who started breastfeeding: |  | Number <br> of children |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Within 1 hour of birth | Within 1 day of birth |  |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |
| Urban | 96.7 | 38.3 | 68.5 | 338 |
| Rural | 94.5 | 19.1 | 56.7 | 490 |
| Region |  |  |  |  |
| Almaty City | 98.1 | 53.8 | 75.0 | 24 |
| South | 94.8 | 19.9 | 50.9 | 362 |
| West | 95.4 | 31.0 | 70.7 | 119 |
| Central | 97.8 | 57.8 | 75.5 | 62 |
| North | 96.7 | 26.2 | 71.9 | 176 |
| East | 92.5 | 22.5 | 57.8 | 85 |
| Mother's education |  |  |  |  |
| Primary/secondary | 94.1 | 26.1 | 63.0 | 357 |
| Secondary-special | 97.4 | 26.6 | 61.5 | 339 |
| Higher | 93.5 | 30.7 | 57.8 | 131 |
| Ethnicity |  |  |  |  |
| Kazakh | 95.8 | 25.3 | 60.5 | 573 |
| Russian | 93.8 | 39.3 | 69.8 | 154 |
| Other | 95.7 | 18.8 | 55.1 | 100 |
| All children | 95.4 | 27.0 | 61.6 | 827 |

Increased breastfeeding during illness and recovery is important to reduce the risk of inadequate nutrient intake during illness, reduce the risk of dehydration, and to promote catch-up growth. Dietary intake of all foods, except breast milk, is reduced during illness (Hoyle et al., 1980). Thus, breastfeeding, by providing a continual source of high quality and hygienic food, plays a critical role in the maintenance of infant and child nutritional status in and around periods of illness.

Table 11.2 shows the breastfeeding status of children by age in months. In Kazakhstan almost all children are breastfed. At 0-3 months of age, 99 percent of children are breastfed, and at $8-11$ months of age, 80 percent are still breastfed. This proportion falls to 17 percent by 20-23 months of age.

In Kazakhstan, 47 percent of children at ages 0-3 months are exclusively breastfed. During these early months of infancy, 38 percent of breastfed children receive plain water, and 14 percent receive other foods and liquids. In 1995, the percentage of children age 0-3 months exclusively breastfed was substantially lower (12 percent).

| Table 11.2 Breastfeeding status |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Percent distribution of living children under three years of age by current breastfeeding status, according to child's current age in months, Kazakhstan 1999 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Percentage of living children who are: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | Breastfe | ing and: |  | Us |  |
| Age in months | Not breastfeeding | Exclusively breastfed | Plain water only | Supplements | Total | bottle with a nipple | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Number } \\ & \text { of } \\ & \text { children } \end{aligned}$ |
| 0-3 | 0.8 | 46.6 | 38.2 | 14.4 | 100.0 | 24.8 | 74 |
| 4-7 | 15.7 | 10.4 | 10.3 | 63.6 | 100.0 | 53.9 | 84 |
| 8-11 | 19.8 | 1.6 | 0.0 | 78.6 | 100.0 | 45.4 | 86 |
| 12-15 | 41.4 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 58.6 | 100.0 | 26.0 | 95 |
| 16-19 | 63.7 | 2.3 | 0.0 | 34.0 | 100.0 | 13.4 | 86 |
| 20-23 | 82.8 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 17.2 | 100.0 | 11.1 | 87 |
| 24-27 | 90.3 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 9.7 | 100.0 | 10.7 | 106 |
| 28-31 | 89.4 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 10.6 | 100.0 | 7.7 | 86 |
| 32-35 | 96.7 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 3.3 | 100.0 | 10.7 | 85 |
| 0-3 months | 0.8 | 46.6 | 38.2 | 14.4 | 100.0 | 24.8 | 74 |
| 4-6 months | 12.5 | 15.2 | 11.8 | 60.5 | 100.0 | 45.0 | 57 |
| 7-9 months | 18.7 | 1.9 | 2.6 | 76.7 | 100.0 | 52.4 | 71 |
| Note: Breastfeeding status refers to the preceding 24 hours. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

Exclusive breastfeeding among children age 4-7 months has increased from 3 percent in 1995 to 10 percent in 1999. During these months, most breastfed children ( 64 percent) receive supplementary feeding, and 10 percent receive plain water.

Table 11.3 shows information on the median duration of breastfeeding. For all of Kazakhstan, the median duration of any breastfeeding is 7 months, however the durations of exclusive and full breastfeeding (breastfeeding plus plain water) are short ( 0.7 and 1.9 months, respectively).

The most pronounced differentials in breastfeeding are by region and ethnicity. The median duration of any breastfeeding is longer in the South, Central, North, and East regions ( 7 months) than in Almaty City and the West region (5 and 6 months, respectively). The median duration of
any breastfeeding is longer for Kazakh women and women of other ethnicities ( 7 months) than for Russian women (5 months).

### 11.4 Supplemental Foods

In the 1999 KDHS, mothers were asked about the types of foods that were given to children in the 24 hours preceding the survey. The foods given to a child are not mutually exclusive; therefore, a child could be reported as receiving several types of food.

Table 11.4 indicates the types of foods given to children in the 24 hours preceding the survey according to breastfeeding status. Among breastfeeding children 0-3 months of age, plain water was commonly used to supplement breast milk ( 45 percent). Powdered and evaporated milk ( 9 percent) and fruit juice ( 7 percent) were also used. Only 3 percent of breastfeeding children age 0-3 months received infant formula, down from 20 percent in 1995. Tea is especially popular in Kazakhstan and was given in the past 24 hours to 13 percent of infants age 0-3 months.

| Table 11.3 Median duration and frequency of breastfeeding |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Median duration of any breastfeeding, exclusive breastfeeding, and full breastfeeding among children under five years of age, according to background characteristics, Kazakhstan 1999 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Background characteristic | Median duration in months ${ }^{1}$ |  |  | Children under six months |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | Number of children under 5 years of age | Percentage breastfed 6+ times in past 24 hours | Mean number of feeds |  | Number of children |
|  | Any | Exclusive |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | feeding | feeding | feeding ${ }^{2}$ |  |  | Daytime | Nighttime |  |
| Sex |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Male | 6.9 | 0.6 | 1.8 | 418 | 93.4 | 6.0 | 2.9 | 53 |
| Female | 7.1 | 1.0 | 1.9 | 409 | 85.6 | 6.4 | 2.8 | 60 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Urban | 6.5 | 0.7 | 1.8 | 338 | 89.0 | 6.9 | 2.8 | 37 |
| Rural | 7.5 | 0.7 | 2.0 | 490 | 89.4 | 5.9 | 2.9 | 76 |
| Region |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Almaty City | 5.0 | 0.6 | 1.5 | 24 | 100.0 | 7.4 | 3.0 | 2 |
| South | 7.1 | 0.5 | 1.8 | 362 | 88.2 | 6.4 | 2.8 | 47 |
| West | 5.9 | 0.7 | 2.1 | 119 | 88.7 | 5.9 | 2.9 | 15 |
| Central | 6.6 | 0.5 | 0.7 | 62 | 77.0 | 4.8 | 2.2 | 5 |
| North | 7.4 | 1.7 | 2.7 | 176 | 88.0 | 5.9 | 2.9 | 32 |
| East | 7.2 | 0.5 | 1.0 | 85 | 100.0 | 7.1 | 3.2 | 12 |
| Mother's education |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Primary/secondary | 7.7 | 0.7 | 1.8 | 357 | 89.8 | 5.8 | 2.7 | 65 |
| Secondary-special | 6.4 | 0.7 | 1.9 | 339 | 88.7 | 6.7 | 2.8 | 37 |
| Higher | 7.2 | 0.9 | 1.9 | 131 | 88.1 | 7.1 | 3.9 | 12 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kazakh | 7.2 | 0.7 | 2.0 | 573 | 88.0 | 6.2 | 3.0 | 77 |
| Russian | 4.6 | 0.5 | 1.0 | 154 | 97.4 | 6.9 | 2.0 | 20 |
| Other | 7.4 | 1.7 | 2.1 | 100 | 84.9 | 5.3 | 3.0 | 16 |
| Total | 7.1 | 0.7 | 1.9 | 827 | 89.3 | 6.2 | 2.8 | 113 |
| Mean | 7.9 | 1.9 | 2.8 | 95.4 | - | - | - | - |
| Prevalence/Incidence ${ }^{3}$ | 14.5 | 2.0 | 3.6 | - | - | - | - | - |
| ${ }^{1}$ Medians and means are based on current status. <br> ${ }_{3}^{2}$ Either exclusive breastfeeding or breastfeeding and plain water only <br> ${ }^{3}$ Prevalence-incidence mean |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

Meat, poultry, fish, and eggs contain protein and other nutrients important for the physical and mental development of young children. At age 4-7 months, 15 percent of breastfeeding infants received these foods. More than 20 percent of them received bread and other food made of flour, as well as fruits and vegetables, which are important sources of vitamins and minerals. A significant proportion of breastfeeding children age 4-7 months also received tea ( 62 percent), baby formula (14 percent), fruit juice ( 22 percent), fresh milk products ( 39 percent), and fermented milk products (24 percent).

A relatively high percentage of breastfeeding children were also fed using a bottle with a nipple: 24 percent at age 0-3 months, 45 percent at $4-7$ months of age, and 40 percent at $8-11$ months of age


Among nonbreastfeeding children, a high proportion at all ages received plain water (about 90 percent) or powdered or evaporated milk (about 70 percent). Among this group of children, baby formula represents an important substitute for breast milk; 30 percent of nonbreastfeeding children age 0-11 months received baby formula.

After the first birthday, almost all nonbreastfeeding children received high-protein foods made of flour. A large proportion of them (more than 70 percent) received products rich in protein, vitamins, and minerals, such as meat, poultry, and fruits and vegetables.

### 11.5 Frequency of Food Supplementation

The nutritional requirements of young children are more likely to be met if they are fed a variety of foods. In the 1999 KDHS, interviewers read a list of specific foods and asked the mother to report the number of days during the last seven days that the child received each food.

Table 11.5 shows the percentage of children who received specific foods in the last seven days by age and breastfeeding status. At 0-3 months of age, a high percentage of breastfeeding infants received plain water ( 52 percent). Milk products were given to a smaller proportion of breastfeeding children 0-3 months of age ( 11 percent). Meat, poultry, eggs, and fish were only given to children four months of age and older; 24 percent of children age 4-7 months received these products. Grains and cereals and fruits and vegetables were received by a significant proportion of children age four months and older (30 percent or more).

As expected, a high percentage of nonbreastfeeding children were given plain water (90 percent) and milk products ( 70 percent or more) at all ages.

### 11.6 Differentials in Food Supplementation

Table 11.6.1 and 11.6.2 show the percentage of children who received specific kinds of foods during the past 7 days and, during that period, the mean number of days that each food type was received by background characteristics. Overall, the tables indicate that a large proportion of children received each type of food (more than 70 percent except for baby formula, fruit juice, other liquids, green leafy vegetables, fish, and food made of legumes).

The data indicate some variation in feeding patterns by residence, ethnicity, and region. For example, children living in urban areas tend to receive baby formula, fruit juice, fish and other seafood more often compared with children living in rural areas. Children of Kazakh ethnicity are less likely to receive these products compared with children of Russian or other ethnicities.

### 11.7 Nutritional Status of Children under Age Five

The data on height and weight of children in the 1999 KDHS permit the evaluation of nutritional status and the identification of subgroups of children that are at increased risk of faltered growth and morbidity.

Malnutrition results in increased risk of illness and death (Pelletier et al., 1993) and can also result in a lower level of cognitive development, which leads to lower educational attainment (Brozek and Schurch, 1984). In adulthood, the accumulated effect of malnutrition can be a reduction in worker productivity and increased absenteeism in the workplace, both of which may reduce individual and national lifetime earning potential (World Bank, 1993). Malnutrition also
Table 11.5 Foods received by children in the preceding seven days
Percentage of children under 59 months of age who received specific types of food in the seven days preceding the interview, by breastfeeding status and age of the child in months, Kazakhstan 1999

| Age (in months) | Breast milk only | Plain water | Tea | Infant formula | Fruit juice | Milk ${ }^{1}$ | Other liquids | Food made of flour | Food made of grain | Pumpkin squash/ carrot/ potato | Candy/ sweets | Green leafy vegetables | Fruits and vegetables | Meat/ poul./ eggs | Fish/ other seafood | Food made of legumes | Cheese kefir/ yogurt | Using bottle with a nipple | Number of children |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |


| BREASTFEEDING CHILDREN |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 0-3 | 47 | 51.8 | 11.8 | 3.3 | 10.9 | 10.9 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 2.9 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.2 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 24.1 | 73 |
| 4-7 | 11 | 79.5 | 65.8 | 14.8 | 24.0 | 40.2 | 29.3 | 35.1 | 38.1 | 35.7 | 11.3 | 6.9 | 43.1 | 23.8 | 4.0 | 3.4 | 31.2 | 45.3 | 71 |
| 8-11 | 0 | 76.1 | 95.9 | 5.3 | 22.5 | 60.7 | 53.6 | 85.2 | 52.8 | 73.9 | 42.7 | 13.2 | 82.0 | 39.6 | 9.9 | 5.3 | 44.7 | 40.0 | 69 |
| 12-23 | 0 | 84.9 | 94.5 | 4.3 | 35.0 | 64.2 | 76.4 | 96.3 | 69.6 | 83.2 | 70.7 | 35.1 | 89.6 | 85.9 | 20.2 | 15.8 | 70.5 | 17.3 | 102 |
| Total | 13.5 | 74.1 | 69.2 | 6.6 | 24.2 | 45.7 | 43.1 | 57.8 | 43.4 | 51.2 | 34.9 | 15.8 | 57.0 | 41.9 | 9.6 | 7.1 | 39.7 | 30.1 | 315 |
| NONBREASTFEEDING CHILDREN |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-11 | NA | 90.1 | 79.0 | 30.1 | 46.7 | 70.2 | 40.9 | 71.7 | 74.3 | 73.2 | 15.3 | 18.3 | 74.3 | 48.5 | 23.9 | 10.9 | 70.4 | 81.9 | 31 |
| 12-23 | NA | 88.2 | 94.3 | 5.9 | 37.8 | 82.5 | 67.9 | 96.2 | 82.6 | 90.9 | 78.3 | 50.3 | 87.2 | 87.2 | 19.5 | 18.3 | 79.4 | 17.0 | 167 |
| 24-29 | NA | 96.2 | 94.7 | 3.3 | 35.1 | 87.0 | 72.2 | 98.0 | 79.5 | 92.7 | 82.1 | 52.1 | 86.9 | 85.9 | 27.0 | 18.1 | 66.8 | 9.1 | 136 |
| 30-35 | NA | 85.1 | 91.2 | 5.1 | 30.9 | 72.7 | 73.4 | 93.1 | 78.3 | 90.3 | 76.9 | 54.6 | 88.1 | 78.5 | 33.4 | 26.8 | 70.3 | 9.8 | 118 |
| Total | NA | 89.9 | 92.6 | 6.5 | 35.8 | 80.5 | 68.8 | 94.2 | 80.0 | 90.1 | 74.8 | 49.8 | 86.4 | 81.9 | 25.7 | 20.0 | 72.6 | 17.2 | 451 |
| NA = Not applicable <br> ${ }^{1}$ Tinned or powdered milk, or fresh animal milk |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |


| Table 11.6.1 Foods | ceived | chi | n in the | recedi | even | ys by $b$ | ckgroun | nd charact | teristics |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Percentage of children under 59 months of age who received specific types of food in the seven days preceding the interview, by background characteristics, Kazakhstan 1999 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Background characteristic | Plain water | Tea | Infant formula | Fruit juice | Milk ${ }^{1}$ | Other liquids | Food made of flour | Food made of grain | Pumpkin squash/ carrot/ potato | Candy/ sweets | Green leafy vegetables | Fruits and vegetables | Meat/ poul./ eggs | Fish/ other seafood | Food made of legumes | Cheese kefir/ yogurt | Using bottle with a nipple | Number of children |
| Sex |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Male | 79.8 | 84.0 | 6.3 | 31.5 | 71.3 | 59.6 | 84.1 | 72.5 | 82.2 | 67.5 | 43.5 | 77.7 | 72.0 | 21.8 | 19.0 | 63.9 | 15.2 | 251 |
| Female | 85.9 | 86.4 | 5.7 | 34.4 | 77.0 | 67.3 | 89.5 | 74.9 | 83.6 | 70.2 | 48.3 | 81.5 | 79.0 | 25.6 | 17.8 | 69.9 | 16.4 | 239 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Urban | 84.6 | 84.4 | 11.3 | 53.3 | 74.1 | 69.2 | 87.6 | 83.8 | 84.1 | 66.6 | 50.2 | 86.5 | 76.8 | 30.6 | 27.3 | 67.4 | 21.8 | 219 |
| Rural | 81.4 | 85.9 | 1.8 | 16.6 | 74.1 | 58.6 | 86.0 | 65.5 | 81.9 | 70.7 | 42.3 | 74.0 | 74.2 | 18.1 | 11.3 | 66.4 | 11.0 | 272 |
| Region |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Almaty City | 94.6 | 59.5 | 21.6 | 70.3 | 75.7 | 70.3 | 86.5 | 83.8 | 91.9 | 78.4 | 64.9 | 83.8 | 75.7 | 29.7 | 35.1 | 89.2 | 35.1 | 17 |
| South | 79.2 | 86.2 | 1.7 | 16.1 | 70.5 | 58.7 | 87.6 | 63.1 | 82.9 | 72.1 | 33.9 | 80.9 | 73.8 | 12.4 | 15.1 | 63.4 | 9.7 | 206 |
| West | 86.4 | 86.0 | 15.2 | 37.5 | 71.3 | 57.7 | 86.0 | 77.7 | 75.9 | 56.8 | 36.3 | 77.1 | 77.7 | 40.1 | 3.9 | 67.1 | 21.9 | 68 |
| Central | 93.6 | 93.4 | 9.6 | 68.3 | 90.7 | 67.2 | 92.2 | 91.0 | 92.2 | 77.2 | 57.2 | 89.0 | 84.3 | 36.4 | 35.4 | 88.2 | 25.5 | 42 |
| North | 80.0 | 87.0 | 1.9 | 40.6 | 76.0 | 72.4 | 83.3 | 78.0 | 81.4 | 61.6 | 61.8 | 71.2 | 72.6 | 23.4 | 13.0 | 57.6 | 18.1 | 106 |
| East | 85.4 | 78.2 | 11.7 | 37.1 | 74.0 | 64.9 | 87.1 | 84.0 | 84.7 | 76.3 | 57.6 | 85.7 | 77.1 | 35.1 | 42.3 | 74.3 | 13.1 | 52 |
| Education |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Primary/secondary | 86.0 | 86.7 | 3.0 | 22.8 | 71.4 | 57.8 | 87.0 | 69.2 | 81.0 | 67.6 | 41.6 | 76.5 | 73.9 | 20.9 | 15.0 | 66.2 | 12.6 | 202 |
| Secondary-special | 80.7 | 86.3 | 8.1 | 37.9 | 76.9 | 67.1 | 87.3 | 76.7 | 85.3 | 69.8 | 50.0 | 80.8 | 75.3 | 27.3 | 20.3 | 66.1 | 18.1 | 206 |
| Higher | 80.0 | 79.0 | 8.2 | 45.4 | 73.5 | 67.4 | 84.7 | 76.9 | 81.5 | 69.4 | 45.7 | 83.9 | 79.2 | 21.4 | 22.0 | 70.2 | 17.9 | 83 |
| Ethnicity |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kazakh | 83.3 | 86.7 | 5.5 | 25.4 | 74.8 | 61.6 | 87.5 | 71.8 | 81.8 | 68.6 | 38.7 | 78.1 | 76.3 | 15.2 | 9.7 | 66.5 | 13.3 | 326 |
| Russian | 83.7 | 81.3 | 6.1 | 55.3 | 77.8 | 68.2 | 86.7 | 82.9 | 86.6 | 69.7 | 62.1 | 83.3 | 74.4 | 43.2 | 36.2 | 66.2 | 19.2 | 103 |
| Other | 78.8 | 83.8 | 8.4 | 35.3 | 63.8 | 64.0 | 82.7 | 67.7 | 82.7 | 68.9 | 56.4 | 80.9 | 72.3 | 35.7 | 34.9 | 69.9 | 23.4 | 61 |
| Total | 82.8 | 85.2 | 6.0 | 32.9 | 74.1 | 63.3 | 86.8 | 73.6 | 82.9 | 68.8 | 45.8 | 79.6 | 75.4 | 23.7 | 18.4 | 66.8 | 15.8 | 490 |
| 4 Tinned or powdered milk, or fresh animal milk |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |


| Table 11.6.1 Foods received by children in the preceding seven days by background characteristics |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| Percentage of children under 59 months of age who received specific types of food in the seven days preceding the interview, by background characteristics, Kazakhstan 1999 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Background characteristic | Plain water | Tea | Infant formula | Fruit juice | Milk ${ }^{1}$ | Other liquids | Food made of flour | Food made of grain | Pumpkin squash/ carrot/ potato | Candy/ sweets | Green leafy vegetables | Fruits and vegetables | Meat/ poul./ eggs | Fish/ other seafood | Food made of legumes | Cheese kefir/ yogurt | Using bottle with a nipple | Number of children |
| Sex |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Male | 79.8 | 84.0 | 6.3 | 31.5 | 71.3 | 59.6 | 84.1 | 72.5 | 82.2 | 67.5 | 43.5 | 77.7 | 72.0 | 21.8 | 19.0 | 63.9 | 15.2 | 251 |
| Female | 85.9 | 86.4 | 5.7 | 34.4 | 77.0 | 67.3 | 89.5 | 74.9 | 83.6 | 70.2 | 48.3 | 81.5 | 79.0 | 25.6 | 17.8 | 69.9 | 16.4 | 239 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Urban | 84.6 | 84.4 | 11.3 | 53.3 | 74.1 | 69.2 | 87.6 | 83.8 | 84.1 | 66.6 | 50.2 | 86.5 | 76.8 | 30.6 | 27.3 | 67.4 | 21.8 | 219 |
| Rural | 81.4 | 85.9 | 1.8 | 16.6 | 74.1 | 58.6 | 86.0 | 65.5 | 81.9 | 70.7 | 42.3 | 74.0 | 74.2 | 18.1 | 11.3 | 66.4 | 11.0 | 272 |
| Region |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Almaty City | 94.6 | 59.5 | 21.6 | 70.3 | 75.7 | 70.3 | 86.5 | 83.8 | 91.9 | 78.4 | 64.9 | 83.8 | 75.7 | 29.7 | 35.1 | 89.2 | 35.1 | 17 |
| South | 79.2 | 86.2 | 1.7 | 16.1 | 70.5 | 58.7 | 87.6 | 63.1 | 82.9 | 72.1 | 33.9 | 80.9 | 73.8 | 12.4 | 15.1 | 63.4 | 9.7 | 206 |
| West | 86.4 | 86.0 | 15.2 | 37.5 | 71.3 | 57.7 | 86.0 | 77.7 | 75.9 | 56.8 | 36.3 | 77.1 | 77.7 | 40.1 | 3.9 | 67.1 | 21.9 | 68 |
| Central | 93.6 | 93.4 | 9.6 | 68.3 | 90.7 | 67.2 | 92.2 | 91.0 | 92.2 | 77.2 | 57.2 | 89.0 | 84.3 | 36.4 | 35.4 | 88.2 | 25.5 | 42 |
| North | 80.0 | 87.0 | 1.9 | 40.6 | 76.0 | 72.4 | 83.3 | 78.0 | 81.4 | 61.6 | 61.8 | 71.2 | 72.6 | 23.4 | 13.0 | 57.6 | 18.1 | 106 |
| East | 85.4 | 78.2 | 11.7 | 37.1 | 74.0 | 64.9 | 87.1 | 84.0 | 84.7 | 76.3 | 57.6 | 85.7 | 77.1 | 35.1 | 42.3 | 74.3 | 13.1 | 52 |
| Education |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Primary/secondary | 86.0 | 86.7 | 3.0 | 22.8 | 71.4 | 57.8 | 87.0 | 69.2 | 81.0 | 67.6 | 41.6 | 76.5 | 73.9 | 20.9 | 15.0 | 66.2 | 12.6 | 202 |
| Secondary-special | 80.7 | 86.3 | 8.1 | 37.9 | 76.9 | 67.1 | 87.3 | 76.7 | 85.3 | 69.8 | 50.0 | 80.8 | 75.3 | 27.3 | 20.3 | 66.1 | 18.1 | 206 |
| Higher | 80.0 | 79.0 | 8.2 | 45.4 | 73.5 | 67.4 | 84.7 | 76.9 | 81.5 | 69.4 | 45.7 | 83.9 | 79.2 | 21.4 | 22.0 | 70.2 | 17.9 | 83 |
| Ethnicity |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kazakh | 83.3 | 86.7 | 5.5 | 25.4 | 74.8 | 61.6 | 87.5 | 71.8 | 81.8 | 68.6 | 38.7 | 78.1 | 76.3 | 15.2 | 9.7 | 66.5 | 13.3 | 326 |
| Russian | 83.7 | 81.3 | 6.1 | 55.3 | 77.8 | 68.2 | 86.7 | 82.9 | 86.6 | 69.7 | 62.1 | 83.3 | 74.4 | 43.2 | 36.2 | 66.2 | 19.2 | 103 |
| Other | 78.8 | 83.8 | 8.4 | 35.3 | 63.8 | 64.0 | 82.7 | 67.7 | 82.7 | 68.9 | 56.4 | 80.9 | 72.3 | 35.7 | 34.9 | 69.9 | 23.4 | 61 |
| Total | 82.8 | 85.2 | 6.0 | 32.9 | 74.1 | 63.3 | 86.8 | 73.6 | 82.9 | 68.8 | 45.8 | 79.6 | 75.4 | 23.7 | 18.4 | 66.8 | 15.8 | 490 |
| 4 Tinned or powdered milk, or fresh animal milk |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

has intergenerational effects; infants born to women who themselves were malnourished during early childhood are smaller than infants born to better-nourished women (Villar and Rivera, 1988). Infants born with low birth weight (defined as less than 2.5 kg ) are at greater risk of illness and death compared with infants of normal weight (IOM, 1985).

Malnutrition is a direct result of both inadequate intake of food and infectious disease. Inadequate food intake results from insufficient food at the household level and improper feeding practices. Infectious diseases, particularly diarrhea, acute respiratory illness, malaria, and measles result from inadequate health care, an insufficient water supply, and poor environmental sanitation. As stated by Scrimshaw et al. (1968), "the simultaneous presence of malnutrition and infection results in an interaction that is more serious for the host than would be expected from the combined effect of the two working independently.

### 11.8 Measures of Nutritional Status in Childhood

The assessment of nutritional status is based on the concept that in a well-nourished population, the distribution of children's height and weight, for a given age, will approximate a normal distribution. This distribution means that 68 percent of children will have a height or weight within one standard deviation of the median for that age. Of the remainder, 2 percent will have a height or weight less than two standard deviations from the median for the age. Because all populations have similar genetic potential for growth (Habicht et al., 1974), the U.S. National Center for Health Statistics (NCHS) Reference Data are recommended by WHO (1979) to be used in the evaluation of nutritional status.

Three standard indices of physical growth that describe the nutritional status of children are presented:

- height-for-age
- weight-for-height
- weight-for-age.

Each of these indices gives different information about growth and body composition that can be used to assess nutritional status.

Height-for-age is a measure of growth. A child who is below minus two standard deviations (-2 SD) from the median of the NCHS reference population for height-for-age is considered short for his/her age, or stunted, a condition reflecting chronic malnutrition. If a child is below minus three standard deviations ( -3 SD ) from the reference median, the child is considered to be severely stunted.

Weight-for-height describes current nutritional status. A child who is below minus two standard deviations (-2 SD) from the reference median is considered too thin for his/her height, or wasted, a condition reflecting an acute or recent nutritional deficit. If a child is below minus three standard deviations ( -3 SD ) from the reference median, the child is considered severely wasted.

The weight-for-age index does not distinguish between chronic malnutrition (stunting) and acute malnutrition (wasting). A child can be underweight for age because he is stunted, because
he is wasted, or because he is both wasted and stunted. Weight-for-age is a good overall indicator of a population's nutritional health.

Children who are below - 2 SD but not below -3 SD are considered moderately malnourished, whereas children who are below -3 SD are considered severely malnourished. Although a child may be both stunted and wasted, these two indicators often reflect different etiologies and consequences and hence have different implications for programmatic action.

In the 1999 KDHS, all surviving children born since January 1994 and living in every second selected household were eligible for height and weight measurement. ${ }^{1}$ The following analysis pertains to the 612 children age $0-59$ months for whom complete and plausible anthropometric data were collected.

### 11.9 Levels of Child Undernutrition in Kazakhstan

Table 11.7 shows the percentage of children under five years of age classified as malnourished according to demographic characteristics. For all of Kazakstan, 10 percent of children are moderately or severely stunted, 2 percent are moderately or severely wasted, and 4 percent are moderately or severely underweight for age.

The most pronounced differentials by demographic characteristics are found in age of child and birth interval (Figure 11.1). Children age 12-23 months and 36-47 months are less well nourished than other infants by almost all indices of undernutrition. Stunting is more common among female children than among male children ( 11 versus 9 percent), whereas boys are more likely to be wasted than girls (Table 11.7).

Table 11.8 shows nutritional indices by background characteristics. Moderate or severe stunting is found in a significant proportion of children in rural areas ( 12 percent), children in the West and Central regions (18 and 13 percent, respectively), children born to women with a primary or secondary education ( 12 percent), and children born to women of Kazakh ethnicity ( 11 percent). Figure 11.2 shows the differentials in stunting by selected background characteristics.

### 11.10 Women's Anthropometric Status

In the 1999 KDHS, data were collected on the height and weight of women 15-49 years of age. As with children, anthropometric measurements were performed on eligible women (age 15-49 living in every second selected household. ${ }^{2}$ The height and weight measurements were obtained for 2,235 of the surveyed women. Three indices of women's nutritional status are presented in this report: height, weight, and body mass index (BMI)—an indicator combining height and weight data.

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## Table 11.7 Nutritional status of children by demographic characteristics

Percentage of children 0-59 months of age who are classified as malnourished according to three anthropometric indices of nutritional status: height-for-age, weight-for-height, and weight-for-age, by demographic characteristics, Kazakhstan 1999

|  | Height-for-age |  | Weight-for-height |  | Weight-for-age |  | Number <br> of children |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Demographic characteristic | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Percentage } \\ & \text { below } \\ & -3 \text { SD } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Percentage } \\ & \text { below } \\ & -2 \text { SD }^{1} \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Percentage } \\ & \text { below } \\ & -3 \text { SD } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Percentag } \\ & \text { below } \\ & -2 \text { SD }^{1} \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \overline{\mathrm{e}} \overline{\text { Percentage }} \\ \text { below } \\ -3 \text { SD } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Percentage } \\ \text { below } \\ -2 \text { SD }^{1} \end{gathered}$ |  |
| Age |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $<6$ months | 2.9 | 5.5 | 0.0 | 1.7 | 0.0 | 4.0 | 48 |
| 6-11 months | 0.6 | 5.1 | 0.0 | 2.2 | 0.6 | 5.0 | 63 |
| 12-23 months | 4.9 | 16.5 | 0.0 | 2.4 | 0.0 | 6.0 | 118 |
| 24-35 months | 1.6 | 6.5 | 1.0 | 1.3 | 1.6 | 3.2 | 125 |
| 36-47 months | 2.3 | 10.4 | 0.0 | 2.3 | 0.0 | 3.1 | 136 |
| 48-59 months | 2.0 | 9.8 | 0.0 | 1.1 | 0.0 | 4.5 | 122 |
| Sex |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Male | 1.6 | 8.8 | 0.4 | 3.4 | 0.1 | 3.8 | 294 |
| Female | 3.4 | 10.7 | 0.0 | 0.3 | 0.6 | 4.6 | 319 |
| Birth order ${ }^{2}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 2.1 | 5.0 | 0.3 | 2.4 | 0.0 | 4.1 | 204 |
| 2-3 | 2.1 | 9.8 | 0.0 | 1.9 | 0.0 | 3.6 | 296 |
| 4-5 | 5.6 | 17.9 | 0.6 | 0.6 | 2.8 | 6.4 | 86 |
| 6+ | 0.0 | 19.8 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 5.2 | 27 |
| Total | 2.5 | 9.7 | 0.2 | 1.8 | 0.4 | 4.2 | 612 |
| Note: Figures are for children born in the period 0-59 months preceding the survey. Each index is expressed |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| in terms of the number of standard deviation (SD) units from the median of the NCHS/CDC/WHO international |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| reference population. Children are classified as undernourished if their $Z$-scores are below minus two or minus three standard deviations ( -2 SD or -3 SD) from the median of the reference population. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Includes children w ${ }^{2}$ Excludes first births |

## Figure 11.1 Prevalence of Stunting by Age of Child and Length of Birth Interval



| Table 11.8 Nutritional status of children by background characteristics |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Percentage of children 0-59 months of age who are classified as malnourished according to three anthropometric indices of nutritional status: height-for-age, weight-for-height, and weight-for-age, by background characteristics, Kazakhstan 1999 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Height-for-age |  | Weight- | or-height | Weight-for-age |  | Number of children |
| Background characteristic |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Urban | 3.1 | 5.8 | 0.2 | 2.4 | 0.8 | 4.8 | 242 |
| Rural | 2.1 | 12.3 | 0.2 | 1.5 | 0.1 | 3.9 | 371 |
| Region |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Almaty City | 2.3 | 6.8 | 0.0 | 2.3 | 0.0 | 4.5 | 20 |
| South | 1.4 | 7.8 | 0.0 | 2.3 | 0.0 | 3.9 | 300 |
| West | 4.9 | 17.9 | 0.9 | 1.8 | 0.0 | 6.7 | 78 |
| Central | 1.9 | 12.5 | 1.2 | 5.5 | 1.0 | 3.4 | 43 |
| North | 5.7 | 9.2 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.9 | 5.7 | 106 |
| East | 0.0 | 9.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.8 | 65 |
| Mother's education |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Primary/secondary | 4.1 | 12.3 | 0.3 | 1.7 | 0.8 | 5.5 | 262 |
| Secondary-special | 0.8 | 8.2 | 0.2 | 2.3 | 0.2 | 3.3 | 258 |
| Higher | 2.7 | 6.8 | 0.0 | 0.8 | 0.0 | 3.4 | 93 |
| Ethnicity |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kazakh | 2.7 | 11.2 | 0.3 | 2.1 | 0.6 | 5.0 | 417 |
| Russian | 2.3 | 7.9 | 0.0 | 0.8 | 0.0 | 3.0 | 104 |
| Other | 1.5 | 5.0 | 0.0 | 1.5 | 0.0 | 2.0 | 91 |
| Total | 2.5 | 9.7 | 0.2 | 1.8 | 0.4 | 4.2 | 612 |
| Note: Figures are for children born in the period 0-59 months preceding the survey. Each index is expressed in terms of the number of standard deviation (SD) units from the median of the NCHS/CDC/WHO international reference population. Children are classified as undernourished if their Z-scores are below minus two or minus three standard deviations ( -2 SD or -3 SD) from the median of the reference population. ${ }^{1}$ Includes children who are below -3 SD |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

Figure 11.2 Prevalence of Stunting by Background Characteristics


A woman's height is associated with past socioeconomic status and her access to nutritional foods during childhood and adolescence. Maternal height can be used to predict the risk of difficult delivery since small stature is often associated with small pelvis size. Women who are shorter than 140-150 centimeters can be considered at risk.

Table 11.9 shows the percent distribution of women by height. The mean height of women is 160 cm . Less than 1 percent of women are under 145 cm in height. ${ }^{3}$

Indices of body mass are used to assess thinness and obesity. The most common is the body mass index (BMI), which is defined as weight (in kilograms) divided by height (in meters) squared ( $\mathrm{kg} / \mathrm{m}^{2}$ ). A cutoff point of 18.5 has been recommended for defining energy deficiency among nonpregnant women. Table 11.9 indicates that the mean BMI among nonpregnant, women ${ }^{4}$ is 24.1 , with 7 percent having a BMI below 18.5.

Table 11.10 shows mean values for height and BMI, and the percent distribution of women for the BMI index by background characteristics. There are significant differentials in the percentage of women with a BMI less than 18.5. Women in the $15-19$ age group; those residing in urban areas, Almaty City, and the West region; those with a primary or secondary education; and those of Kazakh ethnicity are more likely to have a lower BMI than other women.

| Table 11.9 Anthropometric indicators of women's |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| nutritional status |  |  |
| Percent distribution and mean and standard deviation for all women by height, weight, and body mass index (BMI), Kazakhstan 1999 |  |  |
|  | Percent distribution of women |  |
| Indicator | Excluding missing | Including missing |
| Height (cm) |  |  |
| 130.0-134.9 | 0.1 | 0.1 |
| 135.0-139.9 | 0.4 | 0.2 |
| 140.0-144.9 | 4.3 | 2.1 |
| 145.0-149.9 | 16.9 | 8.2 |
| 150.0-154.9 | 31.0 | 15.0 |
| 155.0-159.9 | 29.2 | 14.1 |
| 160.0-164.9 | 13.0 | 6.3 |
| 165.0-169.9 | 4.1 | 2.0 |
| 170.0-174.9 | 0.9 | 0.5 |
| 175.0-179.9 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Missing | - | 51.6 |
| Total | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Mean | 159.6 | - |
| Standard deviation | 6.0 | - |
| Number of women | 2,324 | 4,800 |
| Weight (kg) |  |  |
| 35.0-39.9 | 0.6 | 0.3 |
| 40.0-49.9 | 17.4 | 8.4 |
| 50.0-59.9 | 37.5 | 18.2 |
| 60.0-69.9 | 22.9 | 11.1 |
| $\geq 700$ | 21.6 | 10.5 |
| Missing | - | 51.5 |
| Total | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Mean | 61.8 | - |
| Standard deviation | 15.4 | - |
| Number of women | 2,245 | 4,634 |
| BMI ( $\mathbf{k g} / \mathbf{m}^{\mathbf{2}}$ ) |  |  |
| 12.0-15.9 | 0.5 | 0.2 |
| 16.0-16.9 | 0.9 | 0.4 |
| 17.0-18.4 | 6.0 | 2.9 |
| 18.5-20.4 | 19.2 | 9.3 |
| 20.5-22.9 | 25.7 | 12.4 |
| 23.0-24.9 | 15.2 | 7.3 |
| 25.0-26.9 | 10.4 | 5.0 |
| 27.0-28.9 | 7.7 | 3.7 |
| 29.0-29.9 | 1.8 | 0.9 |
| $\geq 30.0$ | 12.6 | 6.1 |
| $\bar{M} \mathrm{issing}$ | - | 51.8 |
| Total | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Mean | 24.1 | - |
| Standard deviation | 5.3 | - |
| Number of women | 2,235 | 4,634 |
| Note: The $\overline{B M I}$ index excludes pregnant women and those who are less than 3 months postpartum. |  |  |

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## Table 11.10 Nutritional status of women by background characteristics

Mean height and percentage of women shorter than 145 centimeters, mean body mass index ( BMI ), and percent distribution by BMI, for women age 15-49, by selected background characteristics, Kazakhstan 1999

| Background characteristic | Height |  | Number of women | Body Mass Index |  |  |  |  | Number of women |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | Mean | Percent distribution of women 15-49 |  |  | Total |  |
|  | Mean | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Percent } \\ & <145 \mathrm{~cm} \end{aligned}$ |  | $<18.5$ | $\begin{gathered} 18.5- \\ 29.9 \end{gathered}$ | $\geq 30.0$ |  |  |
| Age |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 159.4 | 0.5 | 357 | 20.9 | 14.4 | 85.2 | 0.4 | 100.0 | 348 |
| 20-24 | 160.3 | 0.0 | 340 | 21.4 | 12.7 | 85.5 | 1.8 | 100.0 | 316 |
| 25-29 | 160.0 | 0.5 | 354 | 22.8 | 11.7 | 81.9 | 6.5 | 100.0 | 326 |
| 30-34 | 160.6 | 0.4 | 337 | 24.7 | 3.2 | 83.6 | 13.3 | 100.0 | 316 |
| 35-49 | 158.9 | 0.7 | 935 | 26.5 | 2.9 | 74.0 | 23.1 | 100.0 | 932 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Urban | 160.3 | 0.2 | 1,296 | 24.0 | 7.9 | 79.9 | 12.2 | 100.0 | 1,247 |
| Rural | 158.6 | 0.9 | 1,028 | 24.2 | 6.7 | 79.9 | 13.4 | 100.0 | 991 |
| Region |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Almaty City | 160.1 | 0.3 | 140 | 23.9 | 8.7 | 78.9 | 12.4 | 100.0 | 136 |
| South | 158.9 | 0.6 | 749 | 23.5 | 7.6 | 82.6 | 9.7 | 100.0 | 716 |
| West | 159.4 | 0.5 | 293 | 23.8 | 8.8 | 79.5 | 11.7 | 100.0 | 279 |
| Central | 162.2 | 0.0 | 212 | 23.2 | 8.2 | 83.7 | 8.1 | 100.0 | 206 |
| North | 159.1 | 0.6 | 609 | 25.2 | 6.9 | 74.9 | 18.3 | 100.0 | 588 |
| East | 160.2 | 0.6 | 320 | 24.3 | 5.4 | 81.3 | 13.3 | 100.0 | 313 |
| Mother's education |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Primary/secondary | 158.7 | 0.8 | 960 | 23.8 | 8.2 | 79.6 | 12.1 | 100.0 | 917 |
| Secondary-special | 159.8 | 0.1 | 889 | 24.6 | 7.1 | 78.1 | 14.8 | 100.0 | 867 |
| Higher | 161.0 | 0.6 | 474 | 23.8 | 6.1 | 83.8 | 10.0 | 100.0 | 454 |
| Ethnicity |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kazakh | 158.5 | 0.6 | 1,272 | 23.3 | 8.5 | 82.7 | 8.8 | 100.0 | 1,223 |
| Russian | 161.5 | 0.5 | 690 | 24.9 | 7.1 | 76.6 | 16.2 | 100.0 | 670 |
| Other | 159.7 | 0.4 | 362 | 25.5 | 4.0 | 76.1 | 19.9 | 100.0 | 344 |
| Total | 159.6 | 0.5 | 2,324 | 24.1 | 7.4 | 79.9 | 12.7 | 100.0 | 2,238 |

Note: The BMI index excludes pregnant women and those who are less than 3 months postpartum.

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### 12.1 Scope of the Anemia Problem

Anemia is a condition characterized by a reduction in red blood cell volume and a decrease in the concentration of hemoglobin in the blood. Commonly, anemia is the final outcome of a nutritional deficiency of iron, folate, vitamin $\mathrm{B}_{12}$, and other nutrients. Although many other causes of anemia, such as hemorrhage, infection, genetic disorders, and chronic disease, have been identified, nutritional deficiency, primarily due to a lack of bioavailable dietary iron, accounts for most cases. (INACG, 1979, 1989; DeMaeyer et al., 1989; Hercberg and Galan, 1992; Yip, 1994).

Anemia is known to have detrimental health implications, particularly for mothers and young children. Compared with nonanemic mothers, unfavorable pregnancy outcomes have been reported to be more common in anemic mothers (INACG, 1989). Women with severe anemia can experience difficulty meeting oxygen transport requirements near and at delivery, especially if significant hemorrhage occurs. This may be an underlying cause of maternal death and antenatal and perinatal infant loss (Fleming, 1987; Omar et al., 1994; Thonneau et al., 1992). Iron-deficiency anemia in children is associated with impaired cognitive performance, motor development, coordination, language development, and scholastic achievement (Scrimshaw, 1984; Lozoff et al., 1991). Anemia increases morbidity from infectious diseases because it adversely affects several immune mechanisms.

Anemia due to iron deficiency is recognized as a major public health problem throughout the world. According to the epidemiological data collected from multiple countries by the World Health Organization, 35 percent of women and 43 percent of young children are affected by anemia worldwide. In developing countries, about 50 percent of women and young children are anemic. In the United States and Europe, the prevalence of anemia is 7 to 12 percent among women and children. The highest overall rates of anemia are reported in southern Asia and certain regions of Africa (DeMaeyer et al., 1989).

For decades, anemia has been considered one of Kazakhstan's leading public health problems. In 1995, anemia levels among women and children were determined in conjunction with the 1995 KDHS. Nearly, half of the women (49 percent) and 69 percent of children under the age of three in Kazakhstan suffered from some degree of anemia. The study revealed that the highest rates of anemia are in areas close to the Aral Sea. These areas are characterized by severe agrochemical pollution and other environmental and socioeconomic problems (Sharmanov, 1998).

These findings provided important information for development of health intervention programs to prevent iron-deficiency anemia among women of certain ethnic, educational, and residential groups in these regions. On the basis of the results of the 1995 KDHS anemia study in Kazakhstan, UNICEF's Area Office for the Central Asian Republics and Kazakhstan (UNICEF/CARK), proposed an integrated strategy of education, supplementation, fortification, and research to address the problem and called for donors' support. The proposed strategy considered an intervention approach and includes the following elements (Gleason et al, 1998):

- National and areawide education and training efforts aimed at affordable and acceptable change in the environments of economic transition;
- Fortification of cereal flour with iron;
- A major expansion of weekly iron supplementation for a period of two years to encompass women of reproductive age, children 6-24 months of age, and pregnant women;
- A research agenda of key studies and monitoring activities by the government and other institutions, beginning with a study of the effectiveness of weekly supplementation in all groups, and action research on channels, messages, and other factors that will be developed as part of the program.

The main objectives of the 1999 KDHS anemia study were to further examine the systematic differences in the rates of anemia between certain population groups and to determine, based on assessment of hemoglobin distribution curves, if negative iron balance is the main cause of anemia in Kazakhstan. Another objective was to analyze trends in the prevalence of anemia since the 1995 KDHS.

### 12.2 Design and Methodology of the 1999 KDHS Anemia Study

As with the 1995 anemia study, the 1999 study was conducted in conjunction with implementation of the 1999 Kazakhstan Demographic and Health Survey. The main differences are as follows:

- Sample design. In the 1999 anemia study, a subsample of the KDHS nationally representative sample was used. Every second household (every second cluster in the cities of Almaty, Zhezkazgan, and Semipalatinsk) among those households selected for the KDHS interview was used for the anemia testing and anthropometric measurement.
- Testing of children under five years of age. Whereas in the 1995 anemia study, the teams tested children under three years of age, the 1999 anemia study included children under five. Use of a subsample of the population yielded a sample size for the anemia testing of 2,216 women age 15-49 and 574 of their children under five years of age.
- Testing of men. In the 1999 anemia study, a subsample of the male population was also tested for hemoglobin concentration. The main objective in testing men was to assess whether iron deficiency is the main cause of anemia among women and children. Rationale for comparative assessment of men's hemoglobin concentration versus women's and children's is presented in section 12.6
- Assessment of iron supplementation. The 1999 anemia study assessed the iron supplementation program. Questions were asked on whether or not women were taking iron pills. Duration of iron treatment was also studied.

Following this study design, anemia testing was carried out on 2,216 women age 15-49 and 574 of their children under age five. The anemia testing was done by a standard procedure used in MEASURE DHS+ surveys (Sharmanov, 2000). Prior to participating in the study, each respondent was asked to sign a consent form giving permission for the collection of a blood droplet from her and her children.

For hemoglobin measurement, capillary blood was taken from the finger using HemoCue safety lancets (i.e., sterile disposable instruments that allow a relatively painless skin puncture). Hemoglobin was measured in the blood using the HemoCue system. The procedure was performed by specially trained physicians.

Levels of anemia were classified as severe, moderate, and mild based on the hemoglobin concentration in the blood and according to criteria developed by the World Health Organization (DeMaeyer et al., 1989). Severe anemia was diagnosed when the hemoglobin concentration was less than $7.0 \mathrm{~g} / \mathrm{dl}$, moderate anemia when the hemoglobin concentration was $7.0-9.9 \mathrm{~g} / \mathrm{dl}$, and mild anemia when the hemoglobin concentration was $10.0-11.9 \mathrm{~g} / \mathrm{dl}$ (10-10.9 $\mathrm{g} / \mathrm{dl}$ for pregnant women and children under age three).

### 12.3 Anemia Prevalence Among Women

Table 12.1 presents the anemia rates for women. Thirty-six percent of the women in the 1999 KDHS suffer from some degree of anemia; 8 percent have moderate anemia, and 1 percent have severe anemia.

Among age groups, the highest rate of (combined) moderate and severe anemia was diagnosed among women age 35-39 (13 percent), and the lowest rate was among women age 15-19 ( 6 percent). A high rate of moderate-to-severe anemia was found among women living in the West region (14 percent), while only 7 percent of women in Almaty City and the South and Central regions were diagnosed with moderate-to-severe anemia.

Women with a higher education are less frequently anemic than women with a primary or secondary-special education. The rates of moderate and severe anemia are higher among rural women than among urban women and are also higher among ethnic Kazakh women than among ethnic Russians or women of other ethnicities.

There are differentials in the anemia rates by nutritional and reproductive health characteristics. Table 12.2 and Figure 12.1 show that the prevalence of moderate-to-severe anemia is higher among women with a body mass index (BMI) less than 18.5 than among women with a higher BMI. The prevalence of moderate-to-severe anemia among women with two or more births (11 percent) is almost twice as high as that among women with less than two births or no pregnancies ( 7 and 6 percent, respectively). Women with average birth interval of less than 24 months are more likely to have moderate-to-severe anemia (16 percent) than women with a birth interval of more than 24 month ( 12 percent).

Table 12.2 and Figure 12.1 also show that among women who are using intrauterine devices (IUD) as a method of contraception, the prevalence of moderate-to-severe anemia is twice as high as among women who are not using the IUD. This difference can be explained by the increased menstrual blood loss caused by using an IUD that can lead to iron depletion and iron-deficiency anemia (INACG, 1989, Palomo et al., 1993). According to the 1999 KDHS data, 42 percent of currently married women in Kazakhstan were using an IUD at the time of the survey, i.e., when they were tested for anemia.

| Table 12.1 Anemia among women |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Percentage of women age 15-49 classified as having anemia, by background characteristics, Kazakhstan 1999 |  |  |  |  |
|  | Percentage of women with anemia |  |  |  |
| Background characteristic | Severe anemia ${ }^{1}$ | Moderate anemia ${ }^{2}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Mild } \\ \text { Mnemia }^{3} \end{gathered}$ | of women |
| Age |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 0.0 | 6.0 | 25.8 | 352 |
| 20-24 | 0.8 | 5.7 | 27.0 | 334 |
| 25-29 | 1.4 | 7.1 | 23.2 | 351 |
| 30-34 | 0.4 | 7.3 | 29.8 | 323 |
| 35-39 | 2.4 | 11.0 | 27.6 | 352 |
| 40-44 | 1.7 | 11.0 | 29.2 | 297 |
| 45-49 | 2.0 | 5.4 | 23.7 | 259 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |
| Urban | 0.9 | 7.2 | 25.9 | 1,256 |
| Rural | 1.6 | 8.2 | 27.6 | 1,012 |
| Region |  |  |  |  |
| Almaty City | 0.7 | 6.1 | 17.0 | 127 |
| South | 0.2 | 6.6 | 18.5 | 731 |
| West | 3.1 | 11.1 | 31.5 | 285 |
| Central | 1.1 | 6.3 | 30.0 | 207 |
| North | 1.9 | 8.3 | 39.2 | 605 |
| East | 0.9 | 7.3 | 18.6 | 313 |
| Education |  |  |  |  |
| Primary/secondary | 0.9 | 7.1 | 28.9 | 951 |
| Secondary-special | 1.8 | 9.1 | 26.2 | 867 |
| Higher | 0.7 | 6.0 | 22.9 | 451 |
| Ethnicity |  |  |  |  |
| Kazakh | 1.4 | 9.7 | 28.6 | 1,250 |
| Russian | 1.1 | 4.1 | 23.1 | 664 |
| Other | 0.5 | 7.1 | 26.5 | 354 |
| Total | 1.2 | 7.7 | 26.6 | 2,269 |
| ${ }^{1}$ Hemoglobin level less than $7 \mathrm{~g} / \mathrm{dl}$ <br> ${ }^{2}$ Hemoglobin level $7-9.9 \mathrm{~g} / \mathrm{dl}$ <br> ${ }^{3}$ Hemoglobin level 10-11.9 g/dl (10-10.9 g/dl for pregnant women) |  |  |  |  |

When iron deficiency is the main etiologic factor of anemia, population groups with high iron requirements are disproportionately affected and develop anemia more frequently. Negative iron balance, due to an imbalance of iron requirements versus iron intake, often occurs during pregnancy and growth. For this reason, when iron deficiency is highly prevalent in a population, pregnant women, who provide the fetus with a considerable amount of iron, are at greater risk of developing anemia than nonpregnant women. This tendency of pregnant women to have lower hemoglobin concentrations can be illustrated when probability plots of cumulative percent distributions of hemoglobin concentrations in pregnant women are compared with those in nonpregnant women.


Figure 12.2 shows the hemoglobin distribution curves for pregnant women, breastfeeding women, and nonpregnant, nonbreastfeeding women. The entire hemoglobin distribution for pregnant women is shifted downward (to the left) compared with the distribution for nonpregnant women. The hemoglobin distribution for breastfeeding women is also shifted downward compared with the distribution for nonpregnant and nonbreastfeeding women, but to a lesser extent than the distribution for pregnant women.

This pattern means that pregnant women tend to have lower hemoglobin concentrations than nonpregnant women, in part due to physiologic hemodilution during the initial stages of pregnancy. However, most of the differences are primarily due to the increased iron requirements of the growing fetus, umbilical cord, and placenta, as well as the expansion of maternal red-bloodcell mass (Lee, 1999). Because of the gap between such high iron requirements and limited body iron reserves during pregnancy, routine iron supplementation is indicated especially for pregnant and postpartum women.

### 12.4 Iron Supplementation During Pregnancy

Supplementation of iron during pregnancy is one of the main components of the UNICEF CARK Anemia Control and Prevention Strategy in Kazakhstan (Gleason et al., 1999). The Government of Kazakhstan supports this program by promoting iron supplementation during pregnancy and the postpartum period.

Figure 12.1 Prevalence of Moderate-to-severe Anemia among Wome by Nutritional Status and Reproductive Health Characteristics

Percent moderateto-severe anemia





KDHS 1999

Figure 12.2 Probability Plots of Cumulative Percent Distributions for Hemoglobin Concentrations in Pregnant, Lactating, and Nonpregnant/nonladating Women, 1999 KDHS


| Table 12.3 Iron supplementation |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Percentage of women who took iron pills during current or last pregnancy, and average number of days women took iron pills by background characteristics, Kazakstan 1999 |  |  |  |
|  | Iron supplementation for current pregnancy or last birth |  |  |
| Background characteristic | Percentage who took iron pills | Average number of days | Number of women |
| Age |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 44.4 | 13.1 | 35 |
| 20-24 | 51.2 | 23.4 | 285 |
| 25-29 | 49.3 | 23.2 | 352 |
| 30-34 | 42.5 | 19.0 | 253 |
| 35-39 | 50.6 | 23.4 | 148 |
| 40-44 | 48.6 | 18.2 | 50 |
| Residence |  |  |  |
| Urban | 54.1 | 24.2 | 523 |
| Rural | 42.9 | 19.5 | 605 |
| Region |  |  |  |
| Almaty City | 62.1 | 30.2 | 40 |
| South | 46.3 | 17.6 | 460 |
| West | 41.5 | 20.4 | 153 |
| Central | 46.1 | 25.0 | 101 |
| North | 54.9 | 24.3 | 244 |
| East | 46.8 | 27.0 | 131 |
| Education |  |  |  |
| Primary/secondary | 40.3 | 19.8 | 430 |
| Secondary-special | 51.8 | 21.5 | 499 |
| Higher | 55.5 | 25.8 | 199 |
| Ethnicity |  |  |  |
| Kazakh | 49.5 | 20.2 | 741 |
| Russian | 46.3 | 24.7 | 225 |
| Other | 43.9 | 27.1 | 162 |
| Total | 48.1 | 21.9 | 1,129 |

The recommended dosage of iron supplementation for pregnant women is currently 60 mg per day for six months. This dosage may be increased to 120 mg if the duration of supplementation is short. Also, where the prevalence of anemia in pregnant women is more than 40 percent (which is the case in Kazakhstan), supplementation should continue into the postpartum period. In addition to the iron supplementation, supplementation of $400 \mu \mathrm{~g}$ of folic acid around the time of conception not only prevents megaloblastic anemia, but also significantly reduces the incidence of neural tube defects, which are severe birth defects. In areas where parasite infestations (hookworm or malaria) are prevalent, complementary parasite-control measures should be implemented (Stoltzfus and Dreyfuss, 1998).

In the 1999 KDHS women were asked if they received iron pills during their last pregnancy. As shown in Table 12.3, 48 percent of women in Kazakhstan received iron pills during their last pregnancy. On average, women took iron pills for 22 days. Iron supplementation is most common in Almaty City in terms of both the percentage of women taking iron pills ( 62 percent) and the average length of iron supplementation (30 days). The West region has the lowest percentage of women who took iron pills during their last pregnancy (42 percent). It is important to note that, as seen from Table 12.1, this region also has the highest prevalence of moderate-to-severe anemia (14 percent).

Iron supplementation is more common among women with a higher education ( 56 percent) and women residing in urban areas ( 54 percent) than among women with primary or secondary education ( 40 percent) and to those who reside in rural areas ( 43 percent).

Thus, despite efforts promoting the iron supplementation, more than half of women in Kazakhstan did not receive iron supplements during their last pregnancy. Even women who received iron pills took them for a shorter period than recommended.

### 12.5 Anemia Prevalence among Children

Table 12.4 presents anemia rates for children in Kazakhstan. Thirty-six percent of the children under the age of five suffer from some degree of anemia; 17 percent have moderate anemia, and 1 percent are severely anemic.

As was the case with women, there are substantial differences in the anemia rates among children by residence, region, level of mother's education, and ethnicity. The prevalence of moderate-to-severe anemia among children living in rural areas is almost twice as high as among children living in urban areas (22 and 12 percent, respectively). As with the women, the rate of moderate-to-severe anemia is highest among children living in the West region (33 percent). This rate is approximately three times as high as the rate of moderate-to-severe anemia among the children living in Almaty City and the East and South regions.

Table 12.4 also shows that children of mothers who have a primary or secondary education are more likely to have anemia than children whose mothers have a secondary-special or a higher education. The rate of moderate-to-severe anemia among Kazakh children is approximately twice as high as it is among children of Russian and other ethnicities.

| Table 12.4 Anemia among children |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Percentage of children under five years classified as having anemia, by background characteristics, Kazakstan 1999 |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Percentage of children with anemia |  |  | Number <br> of children | Unweighted number of children |
| Background characteristic | Severe anemia ${ }^{1}$ | Moderate anemia ${ }^{2}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Mild } \\ \text { anemia }^{3} \end{gathered}$ |  |  |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |
| Urban | 0.9 | 11.4 | 17.8 | 245 | 241 |
| Rural | 1.7 | 20.6 | 18.0 | 376 | 333 |
| Region |  |  |  |  |  |
| Almaty City | 0.0 | 13.6 | 27.3 | 20 | 44 |
| South | 1.4 | 12.1 | 14.3 | 303 | 198 |
| West | 2.8 | 29.9 | 26.7 | 84 | 107 |
| Central | 3.3 | 21.1 | 34.1 | 43 | 83 |
| North | 0.0 | 24.4 | 14.4 | 106 | 56 |
| East | 0.8 | 9.2 | 15.3 | 64 | 86 |
| Education of mother |  |  |  |  |  |
| Primary/secondary | 2.6 | 19.9 | 18.3 | 270 | 246 |
| Secondary-special | 0.6 | 14.9 | 18.4 | 255 | 230 |
| Higher | 0.0 | 14.3 | 15.5 | 96 | 98 |
| Ethnicity |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kazakh | 2.0 | 20.0 | 18.3 | 427 | 395 |
| Russian | 0.0 | 8.9 | 21.9 | 101 | 111 |
| Other | 0.0 | 12.0 | 11.9 | 92 | 68 |
| Total | 1.4 | 17.0 | 17.9 | 620 | 574 |
| ${ }^{1}$ Hemoglobin level less than $7 \mathrm{~g} / \mathrm{dl}$ <br> ${ }^{2}$ Hemoglobin level 7-9.9 g/dl <br> ${ }^{3}$ Hemoglobin level $10-10.9 \mathrm{~g} / \mathrm{dl}$ |  |  |  |  |  |

### 12.6 Assessment of Causes of Anemia in Kazakhstan: Population-Based Approach

It has been suggested that the main cause of anemia in Kazakhstan is iron deficiency (Sharmanov, 1998). In the 1999 KDHS, a new approach was used to determine whether anemia in Kazakhstan is primarily due to a negative iron balance. This approach is based on comparative analysis of hemoglobin distribution curves for children, women, and men. Below is the rationale for using such an approach in a large-scale population-based study such as the 1999 KDHS.

Most of the tests for iron status assessment involve taking the venous blood and using relatively sophisticated immunologic tests, such as enzyme-linked immunosorbent assay (ELISA). Detailed morphologic analysis, genetic screening, and clinical assessment are necessary to diagnose hemoglobinopathies, such as thalassemia. Performing these tests could be cumbersome and often requires special technical skills. A further complication is that the facilities to perform such tasks are usually not available in the field. Therefore, various options should be considered for population-based surveys.

Another approach to identifying the causes of anemia in populations is to examine the hemoglobin distribution. This approach helps to determine whether there are any disproportionately affected population groups, such as women and young children (Yip, 1994). In the case of a disproportionate shift in the hemoglobin distribution curve, iron deficiency may be assumed as a main etiologic factor of anemia. Where there is no disproportionate shift of the hemoglobin distribution curve, all population groups, including the adult male population, will be equally affected. In that case, parasite infestation or other factors may be considered as major factors contributing to anemia.

To test these assumptions, it is useful to select a relatively small sample of the adult male population and perform hemoglobin testing on them. The sample size should be large enough to construct a hemoglobin distribution curve comparable to those for women and children. Usually, a subsample of approximately 200 adult males is sufficient to construct such a distribution curve. This approach is feasible and cost-effective. It is also informative enough to determine whether or not iron deficiency is a leading cause of anemia in a specific population.

Comparative analysis of hemoglobin distribution curves was implemented during the 1999 KDHS. Besides women and children, the survey collected the hemoglobin data for a subsample of men. A total of 539 men were tested for hemoglobin levels during the survey.

Figure 12.3 shows probability plots of cumulative percent distributions for hemoglobin concentrations in the capillary blood of children, nonpregnant and nonlactating women, and men. The hemoglobin distribution curves for women and children are shifted downward compared with the curve for men. As mentioned above, this pattern is characteristic of populations where iron deficiency is the main cause of anemia, and confirms suggestions that anemia among women and children in Kazakhstan is primarily due to negative iron balance.

### 12.7 Changes in the Prevalence of Anemia Since 1995

Table 12.5 presents the rates of moderate-to-severe anemia among women and children under age three in Kazakhstan based on the KDHS surveys conducted in 1995 and 1999. The results indicate there has been a decline in the prevalence of moderate-to-severe anemia among both women and children in the four-year period between the surveys. The rate of moderate-to-severe anemia has declined from 12 to 9 percent among women and from 39 to 26 percent among children
under age three. The most pronounced decline is observed in the South region, where the rate of moderate-to-severe anemia has declined from 11 to 7 percent among women and from 40 to 20 percent among children.

## Figure 12.3 Probability Plots of Cumulative Per cent Distributions for Hemoglobín Concentrations in Children, Nonpregnant/nonlactating Women, and Men, 1999 KDHS



Despite the overall decline in the anemia rates, demographic and socioeconomic differentials in the prevalence of moderate-to-severe anemia in the 1999 KDHS follow almost the same pattern as in the 1995 KDHS. For example, in both surveys, the rate of anemia was the highest among women and children living in the West region. It is also higher for Kazakh women and children than it is for women and children of Russian or other ethnicities. Women and children residing in rural areas are more likely to develop moderate-to-severe anemia than women and children residing in urban areas.

Figures 12.4 and 12.5 show probability plots of cumulative percent distributions for hemoglobin concentrations of women and children tested during the 1995 KDHS and the 1999 KDHS. There is some shift in hemoglobin distribution curves toward increased hemoglobin concentrations in women and children tested in 1999 compared with those who were tested in 1995. Whereas, in women, the shift occurs mostly in the hemoglobin concentrations that correspond to mild anemia ( $10-12 \mathrm{~g} / \mathrm{dl}$ ), the shift among children is more pronounced and affects all types of anemia, including moderate and severe.

It is important to note that the 1995 survey was conducted mostly during the period June through August when food consumption is more restricted with lower availability of essential vitamins and minerals, whereas the 1999 survey was conducted during the period July through late

September, which is the growing season in Kazakhstan when fresh fruits and vegetables are more available than in other seasons. Such availability of essential nutrients could lead to increased consumption of ascorbic acid and other promoters of the iron absorption. This seasonal difference in diet could be one explanation for the observed decline in the prevalence of anemia in both women and children between the 1995 KDHS and the 1999 KDHS.

Table 12.5 Moderate-to-severe anemia among women and children
Percentage of women age 15-49 and of children under age three with moderate-to-severe anemia, by background characteristics, 1995 KDHS and 1999 KDHS

| Background characteristic | Moderate-to-severe anemia among women age 15-49 |  |  |  | Moderate-to-severe anemia among children under age three |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1995 KDHS |  | 1999 KDHS |  | 1995 KDHS |  | 1999 KDHS |  |
|  | Percent $\pm \mathrm{SD}$ | Number of women | Percent $\pm S D$ | Number of women | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Percent } \\ & \pm S D \end{aligned}$ | Number <br> of <br> children | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Percent } \\ & \pm S D \end{aligned}$ | Number of children |
| Age |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | $6.9 \pm 1.4$ | 657 | $6.0 \pm 1.6$ | 352 | NA | NA | NA | NA |
| 20-24 | $12.0 \pm 1.6$ | 557 | $6.5 \pm 1.7$ | 334 | NA | NA | NA | NA |
| 25-29 | $11.3 \pm 1.5$ | 514 | $8.4 \pm 1.8$ | 351 | NA | NA | NA | NA |
| 30-34 | $13.9 \pm 1.7$ | 539 | $7.7 \pm 1.7$ | 323 | NA | NA | NA | NA |
| 35-39 | $13.7 \pm 1.7$ | 552 | $13.4 \pm 2.0$ | 352 | NA | NA | NA | NA |
| 40-44 | $10.9 \pm 1.5$ | 521 | $12.7 \pm 1.8$ | 297 | NA | NA | NA | NA |
| 45-49 | $15.9 \pm 1.9$ | 344 | $7.4 \pm 1.9$ | 259 | NA | NA | NA | NA |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Urban | $9.7 \pm 1.5$ | 2,058 | $8.1 \pm 1.8$ | 1,256 | $31.4 \pm 1.7$ | 293 | $18.9 \pm 2.1$ | 137 |
| Rural | $14.3 \pm 1.7$ | 1,626 | $9.8 \pm 1.8$ | 1,012 | $44.3 \pm 1.7$ | 422 | $29.9 \pm 1.9$ | 222 |
| Region |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Almaty City | $10.5 \pm 1.7$ | 249 | $6.9 \pm 1.6$ | 127 | * | 29 | * | 13 |
| South | $11.4 \pm 1.6$ | 1,177 | $6.8 \pm 1.7$ | 731 | $40.3 \pm 1.7$ | 319 | $19.8 \pm 1.9$ | 171 |
| West | $18.9 \pm 1.7$ | 459 | $14.2 \pm 2.0$ | 285 | $54.9 \pm 1.7$ | 93 | $41.9 \pm 2.0$ | 51 |
| North-East-Central | $10.3 \pm 1.6$ | 1,799 | $9.1 \pm 1.8$ | 1,125 | $34.0 \pm 1.7$ | 273 | $27.9 \pm 2.0$ | 125 |
| Education |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Primary/secondary | $13.6 \pm 1.6$ | 1,352 | $7.9 \pm 1.8$ | 951 | $42.0 \pm 1.7$ | 261 | $31.9 \pm 2.0$ | 166 |
| Secondary-special | $11.7 \pm 1.6$ | 1,681 | $11.0 \pm 1.9$ | 867 | $38.2 \pm 1.7$ | 340 | $21.5 \pm 1.8$ | 141 |
| Higher | $9.3 \pm 1.6$ | 651 | $6.8 \pm 1.7$ | 451 | $34.7 \pm 1.7$ | 113 | $17.4 \pm 1.9$ | 52 |
| Ethnicity |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kazakh | $16.2 \pm 1.7$ | 1,654 | $11.2 \pm 1.8$ | 1,250 | $49.4 \pm 1.7$ | 420 | $29.9 \pm 2.1$ | 258 |
| Russian | $7.9 \pm 1.5$ | 1,283 | $5.2 \pm 1.7$ | 664 | $27.5 \pm 1.5$ | 159 | $10.0 \pm 1.5$ | 61 |
| Other | $8.5 \pm 1$. | 747 | $7.6 \pm 1.7$ | 354 | $20.2 \pm 1.5$ | 135 | $22.9 \pm 1.8$ | 40 |
| Total | $11.7 \pm 1.6$ | 3,684 | $8.9 \pm 1.8$ | 2,269 | $39.0 \pm 1.7$ | 714 | $25.7 \pm 2.0$ | 359 |

Figure 12.4 Probability Plots of Cumulative Percent Distributions for Hemoglobin Concentrations in Nonp regnant/ nonlactating Women, 1995 KDHS and 1999 KDHS
Cumplative percent


Figure 12.5 Probability Plots of Cumulative Percent Distributions for Hemoglobin Concentrations in Children under Three Years of Age, 1995 KDHS and 1999 KDHS

Cumplative percent


The decline in the prevalence of anemia could also be the result of the positive effects of the anemia control and prevention program. In particular, the intensive iron supplementation program, which has recently been implemented by UNICEF/CARK and the Kazakhstan National Nutrition Institute in Kyzylorda oblast (part of the 1999 KDHS South region), may benefit the overall iron status of women and children living in that area. Obviously, more research needs to be done to determine the real effects of iron supplementation and dietary modification on the prevalence of anemia among women and children in Kazakhstan.

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### 13.1 HIV/AIDS Situation in Kazakhstan

The acquired immune deficiency syndrome (AIDS) is a condition caused by a human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) and characterized by a spectrum ranging from primary infection (with or without the acute syndrome) to the asymptomatic stage, to advanced disease.

HIV/AIDS is a pandemic with cases reported from virtually every country. The current estimate of the number of cases of HIV infection among adults worldwide is approximately 32.2 million, and among children, it is approximately 1.2 million. The World Health Organization estimates that approximately 10.7 million adults and 3.2 million children infected with HIV have died since the beginning of the epidemic (Fauci and Lane, 2000).

According to the Guidelines for Second Generation HIV Surveillance, there are three different HIV epidemic states: low-level, concentrated, and generalized (UNAIDS/WHO, 2000). In the low-level epidemics, HIV infection has not increased to significant levels in any subpopulation. Recorded infection is mostly confined to people with high-risk behavior (e.g., sex workers, injecting drug users, and homosexual men). In concentrated epidemics, HIV is not well established in the general population, but has spread rapidly in a defined subpopulation. In generalized epidemics, HIV is firmly established in the general population and HIV prevalence is consistently more than 1 percent in pregnant women.

Compared with other parts of the world, Kazakhstan has a relatively low prevalence of HIV infection with an estimated cumulative number of 1,000 cases reported by the National AIDS Center of Kazakhstan in 1999. However, Kazakhstan's authorities estimate that the true figure is 10 times higher than what was reported. Because of the lack of proper diagnostic systems and the absence of an efficient surveillance system, Kazakhstan's official HIV reporting system tends to underestimate the prevalence or HIV. In Kazakhstan 84 percent of cases of HIV infection are among injecting drug users (IDUs), and the remaining 16 percent were transmitted mostly through heterosexual contact, hemotransfusion, and vertical transmission (National AIDS Center of Kazakhstan, 2000).

In 1999, the Kazakhstan Government reported 185 new cases of HIV infection, down from 437 in 1997 when the country experienced a large outbreak of HIV among IDUs in Temirtau City in the Karaganda Region. This area remains the most affected region of Kazakhstan, with 833 cases of HIV infection reported in 1999 (National AIDS Center of Kazakhstan, 2000). Although one area of Kazakhstan may be experiencing a concentrated epidemic (Temirtau City), the country as a whole is still in a state of low-level HIV/AIDS epidemic.

An alarming factor is the exponential rate of increase of syphilis, gonorrhea, trichomoniasis, and other sexually transmitted infections (STIs), which are known to be important predisposing factors for HIV epidemics. According to the National Institute of Skin and Venereal Diseases of Kazakhstan, the incidence rates of syphilis, gonorrhea, and chlamydia infections in 1999 were reported at 181.9, 81.7, and 31.2 per 100,000 population, respectively. The rate of syphilis, which
is, a key indicator of an STI epidemic according to WHO, has increased from 1.4 cases per 100,000 population in 1990 to 181.9 cases per 100,000 population in 1999. Despite a slight decrease in the incidence rate from 268.9 cases per 100,000 population in 1997 to 181.9 cases per 100,000 population in 1999, the prevalence rate of syphilis remains high and is currently estimated at 640 per 100,000 population (National Institute of Skin and Venereal Diseases of Kazakhstan, 2000). The dramatic increase in STIs since 1990 increases the potential for a slower, albeit more generalized heterosexual HIV epidemic than the current picture of the HIV epidemic in Kazakhstan, which is primarily limited to IDU transmission.

Current and future epidemic states of HIV/AIDS and other STIs in Kazakhstan are strongly related to dramatic socioeconomic changes in its population, increased poverty and income inequalities, labor migration, increased drug abuse and prostitution, and changes in sexual behavior and moral norms. For these reasons, to monitor the progress of the HIV/AIDS and other STI epidemic in Kazakhstan and to project its impact, it is necessary to collect background data on knowledge, attitudes, and preventive behavior related to HIV/AIDS and other STIs among various population groups.

In the 1999 KDHS, a questionnaire module on HIV/AIDS and other sexually transmitted infections has been implemented. The module collected information from women and men on their knowledge and practices regarding transmission of HIV and other STIs. This chapter summarizes information on the prevalence of relevant knowledge, perceptions, and behaviors at the national level and within geographic and socioeconomic subgroups of the population.

### 13.2 Knowledge of HIV/AIDS and Methods of HIV Prevention

In the 1999 KDHS, both women and men were asked whether they had heard of an illness called AIDS. The data (Table 13.1) show that knowledge of AIDS is almost universal among all population groups in Kazakhstan.

The respondents were also asked the following questions: "Is there anything a person can do to avoid getting AIDS or the virus that causes AIDS?" and "What can a person do?" These questions help to identify the percentage of respondents who know about the correct methods of preventing HIV infection. They also help to determine how common certain misconceptions about HIV/AIDS transmission are.

Tables 13.2.1 and 13.2.2 show the percentage of women and men who know of specific ways to avoid getting HIV/AIDS. About 3 percent of women and 2 percent of men reported that there was no way to avoid getting HIV/AIDS. Fifty percent of women and 45 percent of men reported having only one sex partner as a way to prevent getting HIV/AIDS. By far, the most frequently cited way reported by men was use of condoms; 70 percent of men mentioned condoms as a way to avoid getting HIV/AIDS, whereas only 37 percent of women cited this method. Among other correct methods of HIV/AIDS prevention were the following: limiting sexual partners (cited by 12 percent of women and 15 percent of men); abstaining from sex (cited by 14 percent of women and 12 percent of men); avoiding sex with prostitutes (mentioned by 4 percent of women and 28 percent of men); and avoiding sex with homosexuals (cited by 2 percent of women and 3 percent of men).

Interestingly, a significant number of women and men in Kazakhstan are aware of the high risk of having sex with injecting drug users ( 8 percent of women and 12 percent of men). Many women and men are also aware of the possibility of contracting HIV/AIDS through hemotransfusions and regular injections. Avoiding hemotransfusions was mentioned by 11 percent of women and 21 percent of men, and avoiding injections was mentioned by 16 percent of women and 28 percent of men.

Misinformation about the ways of contracting HIV/AIDS is quite rare among women and men in Kazakhstan. Only 1 percent of women and 2 percent of men cited avoiding kissing as a way to protect against getting HIV/AIDS. Less than 1 percent of men and women mentioned avoiding mosquito bites, or seeking the care of traditional healer.

Knowledge of ways to avoid HIV/AIDS follows expected patterns by level of education and residence. For both women and men, safe patterns of sexual behavior (e.g., use of condoms, restricting sex to one partner) are more commonly reported by respondents who have a secondaryspecial or a higher education. These methods are also better known to Russian women and men than to Kazakh women and men.

Tables 13.3.1 and 13.3.2 summarize knowledge of ways to avoid getting HIV/AIDS by background characteristics. The tables show that 25 percent of women and 13 percent of men reported that they do not know any way to avoid HIV/AIDS. Percentages of such women and men are higher among those residing in rural areas, those with a primary-secondary education, and those living in the South region than among other population groups.

The tables also show that 31 percent of women and 19 percent of men reported knowledge of one valid way to avoid getting HIV/AIDS, such as abstaining from sex, using condoms, or having sex with only one faithful partner. Forty-two percent of women and 67 percent of men mentioned two or more valid ways to protect themselves from HIV/AIDS transmission. Knowledge of two or more valid ways to prevent HIV/AIDS transmission is most commonly reported by women in urban areas, those in Almaty City, those with a higher education, and those of Russian ethnicity. The pattern is somewhat different for men; knowledge of two or more ways to prevent HIV/AIDS transmission is most common among married men, those living in the West region, and those with a higher education.

One of the core HIV/AIDS prevention concepts is the knowledge that a person can contract HIV by having unprotected sex with an apparently healthy-looking person. In the 1999 KDHS, respondents were asked whether or not a healthy-looking person can have the AIDS virus. The results are presented in Table 13.4. Thirteen percent of women and 12 percent of men answered

## Table 13.2.1 Knowledge of ways to avoid AIDS: women

| Among women who have heard of AIDS, percentage who know of specific ways to avoid AIDS and percentage with misinformation, by background characteristics, Kazakhstan 1999 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Ways to avoid AIDS |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Background characteristic | No way to avoid AIDS | Abstain from sex | Use condoms | Have only one sexual partner | Limit number of sexual partners | Avoid sex with prostitutes | Avoid sex with homosexuals | Avoid sex with intrav. drug users | Avoid transfusions | Avoid injections | Avoid kissing | Avoid mosquito bites | Seek protection from tradi- tional healer | Other | Don't know any way | Percentage with any misin-formation ${ }^{1}$ | Number of women |
| Age |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 2.8 | 12.3 | 38.5 | 35.5 | 9.6 | 4.0 | 2.2 | 9.5 | 7.9 | 11.6 | 0.9 | 0.1 | 0.2 | 16.5 | 30.8 | 1.1 | 751 |
| 20-24 | 3.3 | 13.5 | 40.2 | 40.5 | 11.8 | 2.9 | 2.5 | 6.9 | 11.5 | 17.3 | 0.8 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 16.2 | 24.4 | 1.1 | 645 |
| 25-29 | 3.1 | 14.9 | 40.6 | 48.8 | 11.5 | 4.6 | 2.2 | 7.8 | 9.8 | 14.7 | 1.6 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 19.0 | 21.8 | 1.7 | 685 |
| 30-39 | 2.4 | 16.3 | 35.9 | 55.1 | 13.8 | 5.5 | 2.2 | 8.3 | 12.9 | 16.0 | 1.4 | 0.6 | 0.6 | 20.1 | 17.4 | 1.9 | 1,428 |
| 40-49 | 2.8 | 13.9 | 33.2 | 56.5 | 13.4 | 3.7 | 1.7 | 6.3 | 10.7 | 16.8 | 0.7 | 0.1 | 0.2 | 17.4 | 19.0 | 0.8 | 1,179 |
| Marital status |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Currently married | 2.7 | 14.1 | 34.5 | 53.6 | 12.5 | 4.2 | 1.9 | 6.7 | 11.2 | 15.3 | 1.1 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 19.1 | 20.3 | 1.3 | 2,962 |
| Formerly married | 2.7 | 16.0 | 42.0 | 48.1 | 12.7 | 4.7 | 1.3 | 9.2 | 10.0 | 16.6 | 0.6 | 0.1 | 0.3 | 13.0 | 20.5 | 1.0 | 559 |
| Never married | 3.1 | 14.6 | 40.6 | 39.2 | 12.2 | 4.4 | 3.1 | 9.7 | 10.5 | 15.5 | 1.3 | 0.2 | 0.5 | 18.1 | 25.3 | 1.6 | 1,167 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Urban | 2.6 | 13.0 | 43.7 | 52.2 | 14.7 | 5.1 | 3.0 | 10.9 | 14.2 | 18.3 | 0.9 | 0.3 | 0.4 | 19.6 | 16.2 | 1.3 | 2,646 |
| Rural | 3.0 | 16.3 | 28.1 | 45.7 | 9.5 | 3.2 | 1.0 | 3.7 | 6.6 | 11.9 | 1.3 | 0.2 | 0.3 | 16.3 | 28.5 | 1.5 | 2,043 |
| Region |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Almaty City | 2.4 | 18.2 | 45.1 | 49.1 | 13.5 | 5.0 | 4.7 | 14.8 | 19.2 | 21.2 | 0.8 | 0.8 | 0.5 | 19.2 | 11.9 | 1.7 | 291 |
| South | 2.9 | 24.7 | 23.5 | 43.8 | 7.3 | 0.5 | 0.7 | 2.8 | 3.8 | 9.6 | 1.4 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 9.6 | 30.1 | 1.4 | 1,417 |
| West | 2.4 | 26.7 | 45.8 | 41.7 | 16.0 | 3.5 | 2.4 | 6.9 | 13.5 | 19.6 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 9.2 | 16.1 | 0.2 | 581 |
| Central | 1.8 | 7.7 | 44.3 | 53.7 | 10.9 | 3.1 | 0.6 | 10.2 | 13.6 | 12.2 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 1.3 | 16.1 | 14.9 | 1.5 | 474 |
| North | 2.0 | 1.2 | 39.7 | 55.5 | 13.3 | 7.5 | 1.9 | 8.6 | 13.5 | 19.0 | 1.5 | 0.6 | 0.6 | 37.7 | 16.7 | 1.7 | 1,248 |
| East | 5.2 | 9.9 | 43.6 | 53.4 | 19.1 | 7.3 | 5.2 | 12.4 | 13.5 | 17.6 | 1.3 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 8.9 | 26.0 | 1.4 | 678 |
| Education |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Primary/secondary | 3.7 | 14.3 | 31.4 | 40.0 | 10.9 | 2.9 | 1.4 | 5.5 | 5.9 | 10.0 | 0.8 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 13.1 | 32.5 | 0.9 | 1,837 |
| Secondary-special | 2.4 | 13.1 | 39.4 | 54.1 | 12.8 | 4.8 | 1.9 | 8.3 | 12.9 | 17.2 | 0.9 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 19.5 | 16.4 | 1.0 | 1,888 |
| Higher | 1.9 | 17.4 | 42.6 | 58.0 | 14.5 | 6.0 | 3.8 | 10.9 | 16.4 | 22.6 | 2.2 | 1.2 | 1.3 | 25.2 | 10.7 | 3.0 | 963 |
| Ethnicity |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kazakh | 2.8 | 18.3 | 29.7 | 44.2 | 11.9 | 3.3 | 1.8 | 5.6 | 7.4 | 12.0 | 1.2 | 0.3 | 0.4 | 14.5 | 27.5 | 1.5 | 2,504 |
| Russian | 3.0 | 9.0 | 47.7 | 54.4 | 12.9 | 5.9 | 2.9 | 11.7 | 16.3 | 21.0 | 0.8 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 21.8 | 14.4 | 1.1 | 1,441 |
| Other | 2.4 | 12.1 | 40.2 | 56.9 | 13.3 | 4.5 | 1.7 | 7.3 | 12.1 | 16.5 | 1.3 | 0.2 | 0.4 | 23.3 | 15.5 | 1.4 | 743 |
| Total | 2.8 | 14.4 | 36.9 | 49.4 | 12.4 | 4.3 | 2.1 | 7.7 | 10.9 | 15.5 | 1.1 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 18.2 | 21.5 | 1.3 | 4,688 |

Table 13.2.2 Knowledge of ways to avoid AIDS: men

| Background characteristic | No way to avoid AIDS | Ways to avoid AIDS |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Don't know any way | Percentage with any misin-formation ${ }^{1}$ | Number of men |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Abstain from sex | Use condoms | Have only one sexual partner | Limit limit sexual partner | Avoid sex with prostitutes | Avoid sex with homosexuals | Avoid sex with intrav. drug users | Avoid transfusions | Avoid injections | Avoid kissing | Avoid mosquito bites | Seek protection from traditional healer | Other |  |  |  |
| Age |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 0.0 | 16.6 | 70.5 | 17.0 | 12.2 | 23.9 | 0.8 | 18.4 | 18.5 | 20.9 | 1.4 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 4.8 | 16.0 | 1.4 | 220 |
| 20-24 | 2.4 | 12.1 | 70.6 | 37.1 | 14.5 | 32.4 | 3.1 | 9.8 | 27.1 | 36.0 | 4.2 | 0.3 | 0.6 | 5.3 | 14.0 | 4.5 | 177 |
| 25-29 | 4.7 | 6.8 | 77.2 | 39.6 | 14.0 | 36.9 | 2.9 | 8.9 | 22.6 | 28.8 | 1.8 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 8.3 | 9.2 | 1.8 | 175 |
| 30-39 | 1.6 | 9.4 | 69.4 | 55.1 | 15.9 | 25.5 | 2.6 | 9.6 | 21.7 | 29.3 | 1.2 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 5.2 | 9.7 | 1.2 | 400 |
| 40-49 | 3.0 | 12.6 | 72.4 | 57.7 | 13.7 | 26.2 | 3.5 | 15.1 | 19.4 | 24.4 | 0.2 | 0.5 | 0.0 | 7.5 | 9.2 | 0.5 | 285 |
| 50-59 | 1.9 | 12.8 | 57.0 | 46.0 | 15.7 | 27.0 | 1.6 | 8.6 | 19.6 | 27.4 | 2.5 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 6.3 | 18.9 | 2.5 | 165 |
| Marital status |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Currently married | 2.3 | 8.9 | 70.2 | 53.9 | 16.1 | 29.7 | 2.7 | 12.0 | 22.6 | 29.2 | 1.3 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 6.3 | 10.0 | 1.4 | 928 |
| Formerly married | 5.7 | 18.8 | 63.9 | 40.4 | 9.4 | 10.1 | 1.9 | 5.2 | 10.7 | 19.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.7 | 8.0 | 20.6 | 0.7 | 73 |
| Never married | 1.1 | 16.1 | 70.0 | 24.5 | 11.8 | 26.8 | 2.1 | 12.8 | 20.2 | 25.4 | 2.7 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 5.5 | 15.3 | 2.7 | 421 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Urban | 2.7 | 12.8 | 75.8 | 42.7 | 13.6 | 25.8 | 3.4 | 14.0 | 17.8 | 26.1 | 1.4 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 9.8 | 9.7 | 1.5 | 787 |
| Rural | 1.5 | 10.1 | 62.5 | 46.8 | 15.6 | 30.4 | 1.3 | 9.3 | 25.5 | 29.4 | 2.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.6 | 15.1 | 2.0 | 635 |
| Region |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Almaty City | 2.4 | 19.0 | 63.7 | 40.5 | 13.7 | 22.0 | 8.9 | 7.7 | 11.3 | 30.4 | 1.2 | 0.6 | 0.0 | 19.0 | 10.1 | 1.2 | 90 |
| South | 1.6 | 18.0 | 47.7 | 39.7 | 11.9 | 48.2 | 1.4 | 1.8 | 53.5 | 48.5 | 4.5 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 4.9 | 17.8 | 4.5 | 415 |
| West | 0.8 | 3.9 | 87.1 | 47.9 | 0.9 | 58.3 | 4.1 | 24.4 | 13.2 | 40.2 | 0.8 | 0.5 | 0.0 | 0.9 | 6.9 | 1.3 | 180 |
| Central | 1.0 | 25.4 | 77.7 | 34.0 | 24.7 | 15.6 | 6.6 | 5.9 | 7.4 | 8.4 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.7 | 27.0 | 4.1 | 0.7 | 139 |
| North | 3.0 | 1.6 | 86.6 | 60.1 | 23.1 | 7.0 | 0.0 | 23.8 | 6.3 | 8.8 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 10.0 | 0.0 | 396 |
| East | 3.3 | 11.8 | 64.6 | 29.8 | 8.4 | 10.8 | 2.6 | 4.1 | 5.4 | 22.1 | 0.8 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 5.3 | 15.7 | 0.8 | 203 |
| Education |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Primary/secondary | 1.5 | 13.6 | 65.5 | 37.7 | 10.4 | 29.5 | 1.5 | 10.5 | 21.7 | 25.1 | 1.7 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 4.8 | 15.9 | 1.7 | 649 |
| Secondary-special | 2.8 | 8.8 | 73.7 | 48.9 | 17.3 | 25.8 | 2.7 | 12.2 | 19.9 | 27.8 | 2.0 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 5.3 | 9.8 | 2.0 | 575 |
| Higher | 2.3 | 12.6 | 72.7 | 54.3 | 19.5 | 28.4 | 5.1 | 15.4 | 23.8 | 35.0 | 0.5 | 0.7 | 0.0 | 13.1 | 6.3 | 1.0 | 198 |
| Ethnicity |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kazakh | 2.2 | 14.3 | 62.8 | 42.0 | 11.6 | 37.7 | 2.2 | 8.4 | 27.3 | 34.1 | 2.1 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 5.1 | 14.8 | 2.2 | 730 |
| Russian | 2.7 | 6.2 | 76.9 | 46.0 | 18.4 | 15.4 | 3.0 | 13.9 | 11.7 | 18.7 | 0.6 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 7.7 | 9.3 | 0.6 | 458 |
| Other | 1.0 | 13.7 | 78.1 | 49.6 | 15.8 | 21.5 | 2.5 | 18.7 | 21.2 | 24.6 | 2.2 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 6.3 | 9.2 | 2.4 | 234 |
| Total | 2.1 | 11.6 | 69.8 | 44.5 | 14.5 | 27.8 | 2.5 | 11.9 | 21.3 | 27.6 | 1.6 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 6.1 | 12.1 | 1.7 | 1,422 |

${ }^{1}$ Includes: avoiding kissing, mosquito bites, and other; seeking protection from traditional healer.

| Table 13.3.1 Knowledge of valid ways to avoid AIDS: women |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Percent distribution of women by knowledge of valid ways to avoid HIV/AIDS, according to background characteristics, Kazakhstan, 1999 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Knowledge of valid ways to avoid HIV/AIDS |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Background characteristic | No way to avoid HIV/AIDS |  | Ways to avoid HIV/AIDS |  | Total | Number of women |
|  | Does not know of HIV/AIDS | Knows of HIV/AIDS but not how to avoid HIV/AIDS |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | $\overline{\text { One }}$ way | Two or more ways |  |  |
| Age |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 5.1 | 33.0 | 26.8 | 35.1 | 100.0 | 791 |
| 20-24 | 3.2 | 27.7 | 28.5 | 40.6 | 100.0 | 666 |
| 25-29 | 0.9 | 25.5 | 28.0 | 45.5 | 100.0 | 692 |
| 30-39 | 1.4 | 21.4 | 33.2 | 44.0 | 100.0 | 1,448 |
| 40-49 | 2.0 | 22.7 | 33.2 | 42.1 | 100.0 | 1,203 |
| Marital status |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Currently married | 1.9 | 24.2 | 32.2 | 41.7 | 100.0 | 3,018 |
| Formerly married | 1.3 | 22.6 | 30.0 | 46.2 | 100.0 | 567 |
| Never married | 4.0 | 28.5 | 27.4 | 40.1 | 100.0 | 1,215 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Urban | 0.9 | 19.5 | 31.6 | 48.1 | 100.0 | 2,668 |
| Rural | 4.2 | 32.1 | 29.7 | 34.0 | 100.0 | 2,132 |
| Region |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Almaty City | 0.0 | 13.7 | 29.4 | 56.9 | 100.0 | 291 |
| South | 2.6 | 33.9 | 32.2 | 31.3 | 100.0 | 1,455 |
| West | 7.5 | 20.2 | 28.4 | 44.0 | 100.0 | 628 |
| Central | 0.3 | 19.4 | 31.4 | 48.9 | 100.0 | 475 |
| North | 0.9 | 21.4 | 34.9 | 42.8 | 100.0 | 1,259 |
| East | 2.1 | 26.6 | 22.3 | 49.0 | 100.0 | 692 |
| Education |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Primary/secondary | 4.7 | 35.6 | 27.4 | 32.4 | 100.0 | 1,927 |
| Secondary-special | 1.0 | 19.8 | 33.3 | 45.9 | 100.0 | 1,908 |
| Higher | 0.3 | 14.8 | 32.4 | 52.6 | 100.0 | 965 |
| Ethnicity |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kazakh | 3.2 | 31.7 | 30.2 | 34.8 | 100.0 | 2,587 |
| Russian | 0.9 | 17.0 | 30.4 | 51.7 | 100.0 | 1,454 |
| Other | 2.1 | 18.0 | 33.2 | 46.7 | 100.0 | 760 |
| Total | 2.3 | 25.1 | 30.7 | 41.8 | 100.0 | 4,800 |

this question incorrectly-i.e., no, a healthy-looking person cannot have the AIDS virus. Women living in Almaty City and the Central region and men living in the Central region are the most likely to be misinformed on this question; 18 percent of women and men in the Central region do not know that a healthy-looking person can be infected with HIV.

| Table 13.3.2 Knowledge of valid ways to avoid AIDS: men |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Percent distribution of men by knowledge of valid ways to avoid HIV/AIDS, according to background characteristics, Kazakhstan, 1999 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Knowledge of valid ways to avoid HIV/AIDS |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| No way to avoid HIV/AIDS |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Background characteristic | Does not know of HIV/AIDS | Knows of HIV/AIDS but not how to avoid HIV/AIDS | Ways to avoid HIV/AIDS |  | $\begin{array}{cc}  & \text { Number } \\ \text { of } \\ \text { Total } & \text { men } \end{array}$ |  |
|  |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { One } \\ & \text { way } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Two or } \\ & \text { more ways } \end{aligned}$ |  |  |
| Age |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 2.8 | 16.9 | 21.7 | 58.6 | 100.0 | 226 |
| 20-24 | 2.4 | 14.1 | 19.2 | 64.3 | 100.0 | 182 |
| 25-29 | 0.5 | 9.5 | 21.3 | 68.7 | 100.0 | 176 |
| 30-39 | 0.2 | 10.6 | 18.7 | 70.6 | 100.0 | 401 |
| 40-49 | 0.5 | 9.7 | 16.0 | 73.9 | 100.0 | 286 |
| 50-59 | 2.5 | 19.1 | 16.0 | 62.5 | 100.0 | 170 |
| Marital status |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Currently married | 0.5 | 10.4 | 17.3 | 71.8 | 100.0 | 933 |
| Formerly married | 1.1 | 20.4 | 19.2 | 59.3 | 100.0 | 74 |
| Never married | 2.8 | 16.4 | 21.6 | 59.2 | 100.0 | 433 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Urban | 0.4 | 10.5 | 20.3 | 68.7 | 100.0 | 790 |
| Rural | 2.2 | 15.3 | 16.7 | 65.8 | 100.0 | 650 |
| Region |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Almaty City | 0.0 | 10.1 | 26.8 | 63.1 | 100.0 | 90 |
| South | 2.5 | 17.6 | 9.1 | 70.8 | 100.0 | 426 |
| West | 1.4 | 7.2 | 10.9 | 80.5 | 100.0 | 182 |
| Central | 0.5 | 6.8 | 34.5 | 58.2 | 100.0 | 139 |
| North | 0.0 | 10.7 | 15.4 | 73.9 | 100.0 | 396 |
| East | 2.0 | 16.4 | 37.4 | 44.2 | 100.0 | 207 |
| Education |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Primary/secondary | 1.9 | 16.4 | 16.0 | 65.7 | 100.0 | 661 |
| Secondary-special | 1.0 | 10.0 | 21.5 | 67.6 | 100.0 | 581 |
| Higher | 0.0 | 8.4 | 19.4 | 72.1 | 100.0 | 198 |
| Ethnicity |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kazakh | 2.2 | 15.1 | 14.4 | 68.3 | 100.0 | 747 |
| Russian | 0.3 | 10.6 | 26.9 | 62.1 | 100.0 | 460 |
| Other | 0.0 | 9.2 | 16.3 | 74.6 | 100.0 | 234 |
| Total | 1.2 | 12.7 | 18.7 | 67.4 | 100.0 | 1,440 |

### 13.3 Social Aspects of HIV/AIDS Prevention and Mitigation

Social aspects of HIV/AIDS prevention and mitigation include, among others, the stigma regarding AIDS and people affected by AIDS, and negative attitudes toward people with AIDS. The stigma is related to the public's perception of HIV/AIDS as associated with marginalized groups such as injecting drug users, sex workers, and homosexuals. The stigma is sometimes expressed by open discrimination, which is of concern because it affects HIV/AIDS prevention efforts.

| Table 13.4 Knowledge of AIDS related issues |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Percent distribution of women and men who know of HIV/AIDS by response to the question "can a healthy-looking person have AIDS?" according to background characteristics, Kazakhstan 1999 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Women's response to question |  |  |  |  | Men's response to question |  |  |  |  |
| Background characteristic | Yes | No | Don't know missing | Total | Number women | Yes | No | Don't know/ missing | Total | $\begin{gathered} \text { Number } \\ \text { of } \\ \text { men } \end{gathered}$ |
| Age |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 63.4 | 16.4 | 20.2 | 100.0 | 751 | 71.1 | 8.8 | 20.1 | 100.0 | 220 |
| 20-24 | 67.7 | 13.4 | 18.9 | 100.0 | 645 | 64.7 | 12.5 | 22.8 | 100.0 | 177 |
| 25-29 | 71.1 | 13.0 | 15.9 | 100.0 | 685 | 66.7 | 10.3 | 23.1 | 100.0 | 175 |
| 30-39 | 70.5 | 11.7 | 17.8 | 100.0 | 1,428 | 64.5 | 14.2 | 21.3 | 100.0 | 400 |
| 40-49 | 67.8 | 11.9 | 20.2 | 100.0 | 1,179 | 71.3 | 10.3 | 18.5 | 100.0 | 285 |
| 50-59 | NA | NA | NA | NA | NA | 61.3 | 17.2 | 21.5 | 100.0 | 165 |
| Marital status |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Currently married | 69.4 | 11.8 | 18.9 | 100.0 | 2,962 | 65.2 | 13.9 | 20.9 | 100.0 | 928 |
| Formerly married | 67.9 | 13.9 | 18.2 | 100.0 | 559 | 64.7 | 13.8 | 21.5 | 100.0 | 73 |
| Never married | 66.2 | 15.4 | 18.4 | 100.0 | 1,167 | 70.6 | 8.3 | 21.0 | 100.0 | 421 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Urban | 73.2 | 12.4 | 14.5 | 100.0 | 2,646 | 71.1 | 12.0 | 16.9 | 100.0 | 787 |
| Rural | 62.2 | 13.7 | 24.1 | 100.0 | 2,043 | 61.4 | 12.5 | 26.0 | 100.0 | 635 |
| Region |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Almaty City | 65.3 | 18.1 | 16.7 | 100.0 | 291 | 65.5 | 12.5 | 22.0 | 100.0 | 90 |
| South | 62.0 | 14.7 | 23.3 | 100.0 | 1,417 | 63.4 | 13.4 | 23.2 | 100.0 | 415 |
| West | 73.3 | 9.9 | 16.8 | 100.0 | 581 | 64.4 | 8.8 | 26.8 | 100.0 | 180 |
| Central | 73.2 | 18.4 | 8.4 | 100.0 | 474 | 69.5 | 18.1 | 12.5 | 100.0 | 139 |
| North | 70.9 | 10.4 | 18.7 | 100.0 | 1,248 | 69.4 | 11.8 | 18.7 | 100.0 | 396 |
| East | 71.0 | 10.5 | 18.5 | 100.0 | 678 | 69.6 | 9.5 | 20.9 | 100.0 | 203 |
| Education |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Primary/secondary | 60.0 | 14.0 | 26.0 | 100.0 | 1,837 | 63.9 | 11.2 | 24.9 | 100.0 | 649 |
| Secondary-special | 71.4 | 13.0 | 15.6 | 100.0 | 1,888 | 69.4 | 14.5 | 16.1 | 100.0 | 575 |
| Higher | 78.6 | 10.7 | 10.7 | 100.0 | 963 | 68.8 | 9.1 | 22.1 | 100.0 | 198 |
| Ethnicity |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kazakh | 63.0 | 14.2 | 22.7 | 100.0 | 2,504 | 63.7 | 11.2 | 25.0 | 100.0 | 730 |
| Russian | 76.6 | 11.1 | 12.3 | 100.0 | 1,441 | 70.2 | 13.2 | 16.7 | 100.0 | 458 |
| Other | 70.6 | 12.1 | 17.3 | 100.0 | 743 | 69.8 | 13.5 | 16.7 | 100.0 | 234 |
| Total | 68.4 | 12.9 | 18.7 | 100.0 | 4,688 | 66.8 | 12.2 | 21.0 | 100.0 | 1,422 |
| NA = Not applicable |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

There are several measures of the stigma of AIDS and discrimination toward people with HIV/AIDS. For example, attitudes toward people with HIV/AIDS can be measured on the basis of answers to a series of hypothetical questions. Such questions include willingness of the respondent to care for a relative who became sick with the AIDS virus and whether or not the respondent thinks people with AIDS should be able to keep their HIV status private.

Tables 13.5.1 and 13.5 .2 show that 40 percent of women and 26 percent of men in Kazakhstan believe that a person infected with HIV should be able to keep this information private. Such an attitude is more common among men and women living in urban areas, those with secondary-special or higher education, and those of Russian or other ethnicities than it is among other population subgroups.

| Table 13.5.1 Social aspects of AIDS prevention and mitigation: women |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Percent distribution of women who know of HIV/AIDS by responses to questions on various social aspects of AIDS prevention and mitigation, according to background characteristics, Kazakhstan 1999 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Believe person with AIDS should be allowed to keep info private |  |  | Willing to care for relative with AIDS at home |  |  | Number women |
| Background characteristic | Yes | No | Don't know/ missing | Yes | No | Don't know/ missing |  |
| Age |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 30.9 | 57.4 | 11.8 | 34.9 | 34.8 | 30.3 | 751 |
| 20-24 | 36.7 | 53.0 | 10.3 | 39.0 | 34.6 | 26.5 | 645 |
| 25-29 | 37.1 | 52.2 | 10.7 | 45.0 | 31.1 | 23.9 | 685 |
| 30-39 | 40.5 | 49.7 | 9.7 | 40.2 | 30.5 | 29.4 | 1,428 |
| 40-49 | 47.9 | 44.8 | 7.3 | 44.1 | 27.0 | 28.9 | 1,179 |
| Marital status |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Currently married | 41.1 | 49.3 | 9.6 | 40.7 | 32.0 | 27.3 | 2,962 |
| Formerly married | 43.6 | 48.0 | 8.4 | 45.4 | 25.7 | 28.9 | 559 |
| Never married | 34.8 | 54.7 | 10.5 | 39.2 | 30.8 | 30.1 | 1,167 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Urban | 42.3 | 47.5 | 10.2 | 42.8 | 27.3 | 29.9 | 2,646 |
| Rural | 36.6 | 54.5 | 9.0 | 38.4 | 35.6 | 26.1 | 2,043 |
| Region |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Almaty City | 38.5 | 50.2 | 11.3 | 49.4 | 20.6 | 30.0 | 291 |
| South | 31.2 | 61.8 | 7.1 | 31.7 | 46.3 | 22.0 | 1,417 |
| West | 33.6 | 59.5 | 6.8 | 33.7 | 36.1 | 30.2 | 581 |
| Central | 41.5 | 49.8 | 8.7 | 49.0 | 22.8 | 28.2 | 474 |
| North | 52.8 | 36.0 | 11.2 | 47.1 | 23.1 | 29.9 | 1,248 |
| East | 38.8 | 46.6 | 14.6 | 45.4 | 19.1 | 35.5 | 678 |
| Education |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Primary/secondary | 34.8 | 54.1 | 11.0 | 36.5 | 36.0 | 27.5 | 1,837 |
| Secondary-special | 43.9 | 47.0 | 9.1 | 44.3 | 28.0 | 27.6 | 1,888 |
| Higher | 41.3 | 50.5 | 8.2 | 42.3 | 27.0 | 30.6 | 963 |
| Ethnicity |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kazakh | 33.9 | 57.4 | 8.7 | 34.4 | 38.7 | 27.0 | 2,504 |
| Russian | 47.1 | 42.6 | 10.3 | 50.2 | 19.0 | 30.8 | 1,441 |
| Other | 45.8 | 42.5 | 11.6 | 44.6 | 28.0 | 27.5 | 743 |
| Total | 39.8 | 50.5 | 9.7 | 40.9 | 30.9 | 28.2 | 4,688 |

Fifty-three percent of women living in the North region believe that this information should be kept private, compared with less than 42 percent living in other regions of Kazakhstan. Among men, approximately 50 percent of those living in the Central and East regions believe that information about having HIV/AIDS should be kept private, compared with only 8 percent among those living in the South and West regions.

Forty-one percent of women and 64 percent of men reported that they would be willing to care for a relative infected with HIV. No significant differences were observed between the attitudes of women and men in various population subgroups. About 31 percent of women and 15 percent of men reported that they would not be willing to provide such care for a relative infected with HIV.

| Table 13.5.2 Social aspects of AIDS prevention and mitigation: men |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Percent distribution of men who know of HIV/AIDS by responses to questions on various social aspects of AIDS prevention and mitigation, according to background characteristics, Kazakhstan 1999 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Background characteristic | Believe person with AIDS should be allowed to keep info private |  |  | Willing to care for relative with AIDS at home |  |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { Number } \\ \text { of } \\ \text { men } \end{gathered}$ |
|  | Yes | No | Don't know/ missing | Yes | No | Don't know/ missing |  |
| Age |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 25.3 | 63.8 | 10.9 | 55.6 | 18.7 | 25.8 | 220 |
| 20-24 | 21.4 | 74.3 | 4.3 | 69.7 | 12.7 | 17.6 | 177 |
| 25-29 | 24.9 | 66.5 | 8.6 | 60.8 | 18.1 | 21.2 | 175 |
| 30-39 | 29.7 | 60.9 | 9.4 | 67.1 | 15.0 | 17.9 | 400 |
| 40-49 | 24.5 | 67.2 | 8.4 | 63.2 | 12.4 | 24.4 | 285 |
| 50-59 | 27.4 | 62.0 | 10.6 | 66.9 | 13.1 | 20.0 | 165 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Currently married | 27.4 | 64.5 | 8.1 | 65.6 | 14.8 | 19.6 | 928 |
| Formerly married | 32.9 | 53.2 | 13.9 | 68.6 | 17.7 | 13.7 | 73 |
| Never married | 22.0 | 68.3 | 9.7 | 60.0 | 14.6 | 25.4 | 421 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Urban | 31.9 | 58.4 | 9.7 | 65.4 | 18.0 | 16.6 | 787 |
| Rural | 18.9 | 73.3 | 7.8 | 62.5 | 11.0 | 26.5 | 635 |
| Region |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Almaty City | 31.0 | 53.6 | 15.5 | 56.5 | 20.8 | 22.6 | 90 |
| South | 8.3 | 81.2 | 10.5 | 59.4 | 13.6 | 27.0 | 415 |
| West | 7.5 | 84.8 | 7.7 | 67.7 | 1.6 | 30.8 | 180 |
| Central | 48.0 | 43.3 | 8.7 | 63.8 | 19.8 | 16.4 | 139 |
| North | 32.1 | 63.0 | 4.9 | 74.0 | 13.3 | 12.7 | 396 |
| East | 50.1 | 38.4 | 11.5 | 54.5 | 26.6 | 18.8 | 203 |
| Education |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Primary/secondary | 23.0 | 66.6 | 10.5 | 61.7 | 17.1 | 21.1 | 649 |
| Secondary-special | 28.1 | 65.0 | 7.0 | 66.9 | 13.7 | 19.4 | 575 |
| Higher | 30.6 | 60.4 | 8.9 | 63.5 | 11.0 | 25.5 | 198 |
| Ethnicity |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kazakh | 17.4 | 73.1 | 9.5 | 63.0 | 14.5 | 22.5 | 730 |
| Russian | 35.5 | 55.3 | 9.2 | 65.4 | 16.6 | 18.0 | 458 |
| Other | 34.6 | 59.1 | 6.3 | 64.9 | 12.7 | 22.3 | 234 |
| Total | 26.1 | 65.1 | 8.8 | 64.1 | 14.9 | 21.0 | 1,422 |

Discussing HIV prevention with one's partner is an important aspect of preventive behavior. As seen in Table 13.6, 39 percent of currently married women and 27 percent of currently married men reported that they had talked about ways to prevent HIV infection with their spouses or partners. The level of communication is highest among women and men living in urban areas, those with a secondary-special or higher education, and those of Russian or other ethnicities.

### 13.4 Knowledge of Signs and Symptoms of Other Sexually Transmitted Infections

As mentioned above, sexually transmitted infections (STIs) other than HIV/AIDS are a major public health problem in Kazakhstan. The presence of STIs, such as syphilis, gonorrhea, and chlamydia, increases the likelihood that HIV is also present. Therefore, HIV/AIDS prevention
programs should also focus on preventing and treating other STIs. Improving knowledge of STIs and their symptoms, along with promotion of changes in sexual behavior, are important components of such programs.

Respondents to the 1999 KDHS were asked if they had heard of any sexually transmitted infections other than AIDS. If they answered yes, they were then asked which signs and symptoms of such infection they could identify in women and men. As presented in Table 13.7.1, 18 percent of women said that they had not heard of any STIs other than HIV/AIDS. The percentage of women lacking knowledge of STIs was highest among those who never married, the residing in rural areas, those living in the South and West regions, those with a lower level of education, and those of Kazakh ethnicity.

Table 13.6 Discussion with partner concerning HIV prevention
Percent distribution of women and men who are married or living together and who know about HIV/AIDS, by whether or not they discussed HIV prevention with their partner, according to background characteristics, Kazakhstan 1999

| Background characteristic | Discussed HIV prevention with partner: women |  |  |  |  | Discussed HIV prevention with partner: men |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Yes | No | Don't know/ missing | Total | Number women women | Yes | No | Don't know/ missing | Total | Number of men |
| Age |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 20-24 | 36.1 | 63.9 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 343 | 16.6 | 78.8 | 4.5 | 100.0 | 57 |
| 25-29 | 42.5 | 57.1 | 0.4 | 100.0 | 501 | 26.0 | 74.0 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 118 |
| 30-39 | 42.1 | 57.5 | 0.4 | 100.0 | 1,147 | 34.2 | 65.3 | 0.5 | 100.0 | 343 |
| 40-49 | 33.8 | 65.8 | 0.4 | 100.0 | 913 | 29.1 | 70.5 | 0.4 | 100.0 | 253 |
| 50-59 | NA | NA | NA | NA | NA | 13.4 | 86.6 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 156 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Urban | 41.8 | 57.9 | 0.4 | 100.0 | 1,584 | 32.1 | 67.2 | 0.7 | 100.0 | 529 |
| Rural | 34.7 | 64.9 | 0.4 | 100.0 | 1,378 | 20.7 | 78.8 | 0.5 | 100.0 | 399 |
| Region |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Almaty City | 47.4 | 52.3 | 0.3 | 100.0 | 159 | 31.2 | 67.9 | 0.9 | 100.0 | 58 |
| South | 44.3 | 55.2 | 0.5 | 100.0 | 907 | 21.1 | 78.4 | 0.5 | 100.0 | 262 |
| West | 31.8 | 68.0 | 0.2 | 100.0 | 368 | 35.4 | 64.2 | 0.5 | 100.0 | 122 |
| Central | 39.7 | 59.9 | 0.4 | 100.0 | 281 | 33.8 | 65.7 | 0.5 | 100.0 | 92 |
| North | 38.1 | 61.4 | 0.5 | 100.0 | 833 | 28.7 | 70.3 | 1.0 | 100.0 | 260 |
| East | 28.1 | 71.7 | 0.2 | 100.0 | 414 | 22.4 | 77.6 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 134 |
| Education |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Primary/secondary | 32.8 | 67.0 | 0.1 | 100.0 |  | 19.5 | 79.5 | 1.1 | 100.0 |  |
| Secondary-special | 39.1 | 60.6 | 0.4 | 100.0 | 1,355 | 29.8 | 69.8 | 0.4 | 100.0 | 421 |
| Higher | 47.0 | 52.2 | 0.9 | 100.0 | 586 | 37.6 | 62.4 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 156 |
| Ethnicity |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kazakh | 36.9 | 62.6 | 0.5 | 100.0 | 1,566 | 22.4 | 77.1 | 0.5 | 100.0 | 454 |
| Russian | 38.9 | 60.7 | 0.4 | 100.0 | 897 | 33.3 | 66.5 | 0.2 | 100.0 | 304 |
| Other | 42.7 | 57.3 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 498 | 29.1 | 69.4 | 1.5 | 100.0 | 170 |
| Total | 38.5 | 61.1 | 0.4 | 100.0 | 2,962 | 27.2 | 72.2 | 0.6 | 100.0 | 928 |


| Percent distribution of women by knowledge of signs and symptoms associated with sexually transmitted infections (STI) other than HIV/AIDS, by selected background characteristics, Kazakhstan 1999 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Knowledge of specific signs or symptoms of STIs |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Background characteristic | $\begin{gathered} \text { No } \\ \text { knowledge } \\ \text { of } \\ \text { STIs } \end{gathered}$ | Does not know any STI symptoms | Knows one symptom | Knows two or more symptoms | Total | Number of women |
| Age |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 36.0 | 42.2 | 4.2 | 17.6 | 100.0 | 791 |
| 20-24 | 17.7 | 37.8 | 5.8 | 38.7 | 100.0 | 666 |
| 25-29 | 14.6 | 36.6 | 5.2 | 43.6 | 100.0 | 692 |
| 30-39 | 12.4 | 35.0 | 4.4 | 48.2 | 100.0 | 1,448 |
| 40-49 | 13.4 | 37.2 | 6.3 | 43.2 | 100.0 | 1,203 |
| Marital status |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Currently married | 14.6 | 37.0 | 5.2 | 43.1 | 100.0 | 3,018 |
| Formerly married | 9.4 | 33.5 | 5.2 | 51.9 | 100.0 | 567 |
| Never married | 28.7 | 40.0 | 4.9 | 26.4 | 100.0 | 1,215 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Urban | 10.5 | 35.4 | 5.8 | 48.3 | 100.0 | 2,668 |
| Rural | 26.4 | 39.8 | 4.3 | 29.4 | 100.0 | 2,132 |
| Region |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Almaty City | 5.0 | 32.1 | 8.8 | 54.1 | 100.0 | 291 |
| South | 32.0 | 31.9 | 4.7 | 31.4 | 100.0 | 1,455 |
| West | 23.2 | 37.8 | 3.7 | 35.2 | 100.0 | 628 |
| Central | 8.3 | 38.9 | 8.6 | 44.2 | 100.0 | 475 |
| North | 6.1 | 44.2 | 4.7 | 45.0 | 100.0 | 1,259 |
| East | 14.8 | 37.1 | 4.0 | 44.0 | 100.0 | 692 |
| Education |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Primary/secondary | 29.7 | 41.0 | 4.3 | 25.0 | 100.0 | 1,927 |
| Secondary-special | 11.1 | 36.6 | 5.2 | 47.2 | 100.0 | 1,908 |
| Higher | 6.2 | 31.5 | 6.8 | 55.5 | 100.0 | 965 |
| Ethnicity |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kazakh | 26.6 | 37.1 | 4.4 | 31.9 | 100.0 | 2,587 |
| Russian | 4.3 | 38.2 | 5.9 | 51.6 | 100.0 | 1,454 |
| Other | 12.4 | 36.5 | 6.2 | 44.9 | 100.0 | 760 |
| Total | 17.6 | 37.3 | 5.1 | 39.9 | 100.0 | 4,800 |

Five percent of women in Kazakhstan know one symptom of STIs and 40 percent know two or more symptoms, such as abdominal pain, genital discharge, and burning pain on urination. Knowledge of symptoms is higher among older women; among currently or formerly married women; among women in urban areas, Almaty City, and the Central region; among women with a higher education; and among women of Russian ethnicity.

Information on knowledge of STIs and their symptoms among men is presented in Table 13.7.2. Such knowledge is higher among men than among women; only 7 percent of men in the 1999 KDHS had not heard of any STIs. Ten percent of men know one symptom of an STI, whereas 59 percent know two or more symptoms of STIs. Knowledge of symptoms of STIs is high in all subgroups of men. A remarkably high level of knowledge of STI symptoms was observed among men living in the North region, 90 percent of whom know two or more symptoms of STI.

| Table 13.7.2 Knowledge of signs and symptoms of STIs: men |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Percent distribution of men by knowledge of signs and symptoms associated with sexually transmitted infections (STI), by selected background characteristics, Kazakhstan 1999 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Knowledge of specific signs or symptoms of STIs |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Background characteristic | $\begin{gathered} \text { No } \\ \text { knowledge } \\ \text { off } \\ \text { STIs } \end{gathered}$ | Does not know any STI symptoms | Knows one symptom | Knows two or more symptoms | Total | Number of men |
| Age |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 15.9 | 31.7 | 9.0 | 43.4 | 100.0 | 226 |
| 20-24 | 6.1 | 19.4 | 10.0 | 64.5 | 100.0 | 182 |
| 25-29 | 2.7 | 21.4 | 13.1 | 62.8 | 100.0 | 176 |
| 30-39 | 4.4 | 22.4 | 10.1 | 63.0 | 100.0 | 401 |
| 40-49 | 3.5 | 21.8 | 10.1 | 64.6 | 100.0 | 286 |
| 50-59 | 9.5 | 35.1 | 5.9 | 49.6 | 100.0 | 170 |
| Marital status |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Currently married | 4.4 | 24.1 | 9.8 | 61.8 | 100.0 | 933 |
| Formerly married | 4.4 | 23.1 | 10.5 | 62.0 | 100.0 | 74 |
| Never married | 11.9 | 26.4 | 9.8 | 52.0 | 100.0 | 433 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Urban | 5.4 | 25.8 | 10.3 | 58.5 | 100.0 | 790 |
| Rural | 8.1 | 23.5 | 9.2 | 59.2 | 100.0 | 650 |
| Region |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Almaty City | 4.2 | 32.1 | 9.5 | 54.2 | 100.0 | 90 |
| South | 8.0 | 25.9 | 6.5 | 59.6 | 100.0 | 426 |
| West | 2.6 | 46.5 | 10.9 | 39.9 | 100.0 | 182 |
| Central | 9.2 | 39.7 | 12.7 | 38.5 | 100.0 | 139 |
| North | 3.8 | 5.7 | 0.7 | 89.8 | 100.0 | 396 |
| East | 12.2 | 26.4 | 31.2 | 30.2 | 100.0 | 207 |
| Education |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Primary/secondary | 9.6 | 28.0 | 9.0 | 53.4 | 100.0 | 661 |
| Secondary-special | 4.6 | 21.8 | 11.0 | 62.5 | 100.0 | 581 |
| Higher | 2.6 | 22.3 | 9.0 | 66.1 | 100.0 | 198 |
| Ethnicity |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kazakh | 9.2 | 29.6 | 8.6 | 52.5 | 100.0 | 747 |
| Russian | 3.4 | 19.7 | 13.2 | 63.7 | 100.0 | 460 |
| Other | 4.7 | 19.0 | 6.9 | 69.4 | 100.0 | 234 |
| Total | 6.6 | 24.7 | 9.8 | 58.8 | 100.0 | 1,440 |

A low level of knowledge of STIs and their symptoms was observed among young women and men age 15-19 compared with other population groups. Thirty-six percent of women in that age group said that they had not heard of any STI, and 42 percent reported no knowledge of STI symptoms. Among men 15-19 years of age, 16 percent reported that they had not heard of any STIs and 32 percent did not know any STI symptoms. Such a low level of knowledge of STIs and their symptoms among younger women and men raises concern because of the role young people play in determining the future of the HIV epidemic. Therefore, the HIV/AIDS prevention programs in Kazakhstan, besides focusing on the sexual behavior of young people, should work to persuade young people to improve their knowledge of STIs and STI symptoms.

### 13.5 Sexual Behavior

Promoting safe sexual behavior has been the most important area of HIV/AIDS prevention programs to date. This component of prevention programs includes encouraging lifelong, mutually monogamous relationships; reducing the overall number of sexual contacts outside marriage; and using condoms, especially with partners other than spouses. Since the HIV/AIDS epidemic in Kazakhstan is expected to grow as a result of heterosexual contacts, focusing on sexual behavior is envisioned as a key component of the HIV/AIDS prevention program. Information on sexual behavior is important in designing and monitoring a program that is aimed at preventing the spread of HIV/AIDS and other STIs.

The 1999 KDHS included questions about the sexual activity of respondents with their spouses and with other partners. These questions helped to determine the proportion of currently married and unmarried respondents who have had sex with a nonmarital, noncohabiting partner in the last 12 months. This information is an important indicator for prevention of HIV/AIDS and other STIs because the spread of such infections depends on unprotected sex with people who also have other partners. The results are presented in Tables 13.8.1 and 13.8.2.

On average, about 2 percent of currently married women reported having one or more sexual partners outside their marriage during the past 12 months. The percentage is slightly higher (4 percent) for women living in Almaty City. Men in Kazakhstan have more extramarital sexual relationships than women; on average, 10 percent of currently married men reported having sex with one or more women other than their spouse during the past 12 months. Twenty-two percent of currently married men age 20-24 reported having one or more extramarital relationships in the past 24 months. This percentage is also high among men residing in urban areas, men in Almaty City and the West and North regions, men with a secondary-special or higher education, and men of Russian ethnicity.

Tables 13.9.1 and 13.9.2 show the proportion of unmarried women and men who have had sex during the past 12 months by number of sexual partners and background characteristics. Partners who do not live together-who have sex only occasionally-are those who are most likely to have other partners during the course of a year. These relationships therefore carry a higher risk of transmission of HIV and other STIs than relationships that do not link into a wider sexual network.

Twenty-four percent of unmarried women and 29 percent of unmarried men have had sexual intercourse with one partner during the past 12 months. Having two or more sexual partners during the past 12 months was reported by 4 percent of unmarried women and 22 percent of unmarried men.

The 1999 KDHS respondents were also asked whether a condom was used the last time they had sexual intercourse with their spouse, cohabitating partner, or noncohabitating partner. The results are presented in Tables 13.10.1 and 13.10.2. About 5 percent of women and 8 percent of men reported using a condom the last time they had sexual intercourse with a spouse or cohabitating partner. A significantly higher percentage of men reported using a condom the last time they had sexual intercourse with a noncohabitating partner (58 percent) than did women (19 percent).

| Table 13.8.1 Number of sexual partners: married women |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Percent distribution of currently married women by number of persons with whom they had sexual intercourse in the past 12 months, including and excluding spouse of cohabitating partner, according to background characteristics, Kazakhstan 1999 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Background characteristic | Number of partners including spouse |  |  | Total | Number of partners excluding spouse |  |  |  | Number of women |
|  | 0 | 1 | $2+$ |  | 0 | 1 | $2+$ | Total |  |
| Age |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 0.0 | 98.6 | 1.4 | 100.0 | 93.9 | 6.1 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 63 |
| 20-24 | 0.6 | 98.0 | 1.4 | 100.0 | 96.9 | 3.0 | 0.2 | 100.0 | 353 |
| 25-29 | 0.3 | 98.4 | 1.3 | 100.0 | 97.8 | 2.0 | 0.2 | 100.0 | 506 |
| 30-39 | 0.4 | 98.7 | 0.9 | 100.0 | 98.4 | 1.5 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 1,163 |
| 40-49 | 2.5 | 97.0 | 0.5 | 100.0 | 98.7 | 1.0 | 0.3 | 100.0 | 933 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Urban | 1.3 | 97.2 | 1.4 | 100.0 | 97.3 | 2.5 | 0.2 | 100.0 | 1,596 |
| Rural | 0.7 | 98.9 | 0.3 | 100.0 | 99.1 | 0.8 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 1,422 |
| Region |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Almaty City | 2.0 | 96.0 | 2.0 | 100.0 | 95.7 | 3.7 | 0.6 | 100.0 | 159 |
| South | 0.6 | 98.8 | 0.6 | 100.0 | 99.0 | 0.8 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 926 |
| West | 1.1 | 98.0 | 0.9 | 100.0 | 98.3 | 1.5 | 0.2 | 100.0 | 394 |
| Central | 0.7 | 99.1 | 0.2 | 100.0 | 98.2 | 1.8 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 281 |
| North | 1.4 | 97.4 | 1.2 | 100.0 | 97.9 | 2.1 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 837 |
| East | 1.2 | 97.7 | 1.1 | 100.0 | 97.5 | 2.1 | 0.3 | 100.0 | 422 |
| Education |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Primary/secondary | 1.0 | 98.4 | 0.6 | 100.0 | 98.5 | 1.4 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 1,064 |
| Secondary-special | 1.2 | 97.7 | 1.1 | 100.0 | 97.8 | 2.0 | 0.3 | 100.0 | 1,367 |
| Higher | 0.7 | 98.3 | 1.0 | 100.0 | 98.4 | 1.5 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 587 |
| Ethnicity |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kazakh | 0.6 | 98.8 | 0.6 | 100.0 | 99.1 | 0.9 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 1,607 |
| Russian | 2.3 | 96.4 | 1.3 | 100.0 | 96.6 | 3.0 | 0.4 | 100.0 | 904 |
| Other | 0.3 | 98.6 | 1.1 | 100.0 | 98.1 | 1.8 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 507 |
| Total | 1.1 | 98.0 | 0.9 | 100.0 | 98.2 | 1.7 | 0.2 | 100.0 | 3,018 |

### 13.6 Summary

The current low level of the HIV epidemic in Kazakhstan provides a window of opportunity for early targeted interventions to prevent further spread of infection. However, the increase of cumulative incidences of HIV infection, as well as the exponential rate of increase of other STIs, suggests that such a window of opportunity is closing rapidly.

Development of programs to monitor HIV/AIDS and other STIs depends on the availability of background data on knowledge and attitudes towards HIV/AIDS and other STIs among various population groups. Such information can be used to identify weak links in the chain of HIV transmission and provide the means to develop targeted intervention programs to stop the spread of the disease.

Data collected during the 1999 KDHS show that the knowledge of HIV/AIDS among women and men in Kazakhstan is nearly universal and a large proportion of them know one or more valid ways to prevent HIV/AIDS infection, such as using condoms and limiting the number of sex partners.

| Table 13.8.2 Number of sexual partners: married men |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Percent distribution of currently married women by number of persons with whom they had sexual intercourse in the past 12 months, including and excluding spouse of cohabitating partner, according to background characteristics, Kazakhstan 1999 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Background characteristic | Number of partners including spouse |  |  | Total | Number of partners excluding spouse |  |  |  | $\underset{\substack{\text { Number } \\ \text { of } \\ \text { men }}}{ }$ |
|  | 0 | 1 | $2+$ |  | 0 | 1 | $2+$ | Total |  |
| Age |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 20-24 | 0.0 | 85.7 | 14.3 | 100.0 | 77.6 | 21.5 | 0.9 | 100.0 | 57 |
| 25-29 | 0.0 | 88.6 | 11.4 | 100.0 | 87.5 | 8.7 | 3.8 | 100.0 | 118 |
| 30-39 | 0.5 | 88.9 | 10.6 | 100.0 | 89.1 | 9.0 | 1.8 | 100.0 | 343 |
| 40-49 | 2.4 | 89.7 | 7.9 | 100.0 | 92.1 | 6.0 | 1.9 | 100.0 | 254 |
| 50-59 | 6.6 | 89.8 | 3.7 | 100.0 | 96.3 | 3.3 | 0.4 | 100.0 | 160 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Urban | 1.0 | 88.2 | 10.8 | 100.0 | 88.1 | 10.0 | 1.8 | 100.0 | 529 |
| Rural | 3.4 | 90.0 | 6.6 | 100.0 | 93.0 | 5.2 | 1.8 | 100.0 | 404 |
| Region |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Almaty City | 2.8 | 84.4 | 12.8 | 100.0 | 86.2 | 11.9 | 1.8 | 100.0 | 58 |
| South | 2.0 | 93.0 | 5.0 | 100.0 | 93.7 | 3.2 | 3.0 | 100.0 | 266 |
| West | 0.5 | 83.3 | 16.3 | 100.0 | 83.7 | 14.0 | 2.3 | 100.0 | 122 |
| Central | 0.0 | 91.4 | 8.6 | 100.0 | 90.8 | 6.2 | 3.0 | 100.0 | 92 |
| North | 3.4 | 85.4 | 11.2 | 100.0 | 87.8 | 11.4 | 0.8 | 100.0 | 260 |
| East | 2.0 | 93.5 | 4.5 | 100.0 | 95.5 | 4.5 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 135 |
| Education |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Primary/secondary | 2.8 | 92.1 | 5.1 | 100.0 | 94.0 | 4.5 | 1.5 | 100.0 | 352 |
| Secondary-special | 1.4 | 87.6 | 10.9 | 100.0 | 89.1 | 9.3 | 1.7 | 100.0 | 425 |
| Higher | 2.0 | 85.6 | 12.4 | 100.0 | 85.1 | 12.1 | 2.8 | 100.0 | 156 |
| Ethnicity |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kazakh | 2.2 | 89.9 | 7.9 | 100.0 | 91.9 | 6.8 | 1.3 | 100.0 | 458 |
| Russian | 2.1 | 87.1 | 10.8 | 100.0 | 89.2 | 8.1 | 2.7 | 100.0 | 304 |
| Other | 1.5 | 89.9 | 8.6 | 100.0 | 87.9 | 10.7 | 1.4 | 100.0 | 170 |
| Total | 2.0 | 89.0 | 9.0 | 100.0 | 90.3 | 7.9 | 1.8 | 100.0 | 933 |

In Kazakhstan there is some stigma associated with HIV/AIDS, which is evidenced by 40 percent of women and 26 percent of men preferring to keep information about HIV/AIDS private. The percentage of women and men who would not be willing to care for a relative with AIDS at home, which is an indicator of a discriminatory attitude towards such people, was 31 and 15 percent, respectively.

Despite the high prevalence of sexually transmitted infections (STIs) other than HIV/AIDS, 18 percent of women and 7 percent of men in Kazakhstan reported that they had not heard of such infections. Among those who know about STIs, more than 40 percent of women and more than 59 percent of men cited one or more symptoms such as abdominal pain, genital discharge, and burning pain on urination. The relatively low level of knowledge of STI symptoms among young women and men raises concern because of the potential contribution of young people to future epidemics of HIV/AIDS and other STIs in Kazakhstan.

Since the spread of HIV/AIDS and other STIs depends on unprotected sex with multiple partners, that 10 percent of married men reported having extramarital sexual relationships and that

| Table 13.9.1 Number of sexual partners: unmarried women |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Percent distribution of unmarried women by number of persons with whom they had sexual intercourse in the past 12 month, by selected background characteristics, Kazakhstan 1999 |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Number of partners |  |  | Total | Number women |
| characteristic | 0 | 1 | $2+$ |  |  |
| Age |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 90.4 | 8.0 | 1.6 | 100.0 | 728 |
| 20-24 | 72.4 | 23.0 | 4.5 | 100.0 | 313 |
| 25-29 | 49.0 | 43.8 | 7.2 | 100.0 | 186 |
| 30-39 | 46.7 | 46.7 | 6.6 | 100.0 | 285 |
| 40-49 | 71.3 | 27.1 | 1.6 | 100.0 | 271 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |
| Urban | 65.8 | 29.7 | 4.5 | 100.0 | 1,073 |
| Rural | 84.0 | 14.0 | 2.0 | 100.0 | 709 |
| Region |  |  |  |  |  |
| Almaty City | 57.6 | 34.0 | 8.3 | 100.0 | 132 |
| South | 82.5 | 15.0 | 2.5 | 100.0 | 529 |
| West | 77.5 | 20.2 | 2.4 | 100.0 | 234 |
| Central | 68.5 | 28.6 | 2.9 | 100.0 | 195 |
| North | 66.5 | 29.8 | 3.7 | 100.0 | 422 |
| East | 71.7 | 24.1 | 4.2 | 100.0 | 270 |
| Education |  |  |  |  |  |
| Primary/secondary | 82.4 | 15.3 | 2.2 | 100.0 | 863 |
| Secondary-special | 61.4 | 34.0 | 4.6 | 100.0 | 541 |
| Higher | 68.2 | 27.0 | 4.7 | 100.0 | 378 |
| Ethnicity |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kazakh | 84.7 | 13.2 | 2.0 | 100.0 | 979 |
| Russian | 55.4 | 38.9 | 5.7 | 100.0 | 550 |
| Other | 66.1 | 29.5 | 4.3 | 100.0 | 253 |
| Total | 73.0 | 23.5 | 3.5 | 100.0 | 1,782 |

22 percent of unmarried men have multiple sex partners further raises concern. The data also show that about 81 percent of women and 42 percent of men did not use a condom the last time they had sexual intercourse with a noncohabitating partner. Such behaviors carry a high risk of transmission of HIV and other STIs.

Background information on knowledge and attitudes toward HIV/AIDS and other STIs and the data on sexual behaviors can help to develop targeted programs that focus on those individuals and population groups most in need and most at risk of infection. The 1999 KDHS data show, for example, that educational programs to improve knowledge of STIs should target women and men in the age group 15-19, whereas programs promoting safe sexual behavior should be aimed at men of Russian ethnicity, men age 20-29, men in urban areas, especially Almaty City, and men in the North region.

Since the HIV/AIDS epidemic in Kazakhstan is characterized by pockets of infection in such regions as Temirtau City in Karaganda oblast, nationally based surveys, such as the 1999 KDHS should be complemented by in-depth assessment of sexual behavior and population-based HIV prevalence studies in the affected regions.

| Table 13.9.2 Number of sexual partners: unmarried men |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Percent distribution of unmarried men by number of persons with whom they had sexual intercourse in the past 12 month, by selected background characteristics, Kazakhstan 1999 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Background characteristic | Number of partners |  |  | Total | $\underset{\substack{\text { Number } \\ \text { of } \\ \text { men }}}{ }$ |
|  | 0 | 1 | $2+$ |  |  |
| Age |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 73.5 | 14.4 | 12.1 | 100.0 | 225 |
| 20-24 | 29.2 | 40.8 | 30.0 | 100.0 | 124 |
| 25-29 | 17.3 | 36.9 | 45.8 | 100.0 | 58 |
| 30-39 | 34.1 | 37.4 | 28.5 | 100.0 | 58 |
| 40-49 | 29.1 | 56.6 | 14.3 | 100.0 | 32 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |
| Urban | 42.1 | 33.9 | 24.0 | 100.0 | 261 |
| Rural | 56.5 | 23.5 | 20.1 | 100.0 | 246 |
| Region |  |  |  |  |  |
| Almaty City | 23.7 | 40.7 | 35.6 | 100.0 | 32 |
| South | 62.4 | 24.6 | 13.0 | 100.0 | 160 |
| West | 64.1 | 22.8 | 13.0 | 100.0 | 60 |
| Central | 36.8 | 46.3 | 16.9 | 100.0 | 47 |
| North | 41.0 | 20.3 | 38.7 | 100.0 | 136 |
| East | 41.1 | 42.9 | 16.0 | 100.0 | 72 |
| Education |  |  |  |  |  |
| Primary/secondary | 61.0 | 24.7 | 14.3 | 100.0 | 309 |
| Secondary-special | 33.9 | 34.3 | 31.8 | 100.0 | 156 |
| Higher | 17.9 | 38.6 | 43.5 | 100.0 | 42 |
| Ethnicity |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kazakh | 51.9 | 28.5 | 19.7 | 100.0 | 289 |
| Russian | 44.6 | 27.4 | 28.1 | 100.0 | 155 |
| Other | 47.3 | 34.2 | 18.5 | 100.0 | 63 |
| Total | 49.1 | 28.8 | 22.1 | 100.0 | 507 |

## Table 13.10.1 Use of condoms: women

Percentage of women who have had sexual intercourse in the past year who used condoms during last sexual intercourse with spouse or cohabiting partner, with noncohabiting partner, and with any partner, by selected background characteristics, Kazakhstan 1999

| Background characteristic | Spouse or cohabitating partner |  | Noncohabitating partner |  | Any partner |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Used condom | Number of women | Used condom | Number of women | Used condom | $\underset{\text { of }}{\substack{\text { Number }}}$ women |
| Age |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 3.0 | 63 | 35.1 | 71 | 20.1 | 133 |
| 20-24 | 4.8 | 350 | 22.0 | 91 | 8.5 | 437 |
| 25-29 | 6.7 | 505 | 27.0 | 101 | 10.2 | 600 |
| 30-39 | 4.4 | 1,158 | 11.7 | 162 | 5.3 | 1,310 |
| 40-49 | 3.5 | 909 | 5.0 | 84 | 3.6 | 987 |
| Marital status |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Currently married | 4.5 | 2,986 | 0.0 | 28 | 4.5 | 2,986 |
| Formerly married | - | 0 | 9.1 | 281 | 9.1 | 281 |
| Never married | - | 0 | 35.0 | 200 | 35.0 | 200 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Urban | 6.3 | 1,574 | 17.7 | 391 | 8.7 | 1,942 |
| Rural | 2.6 | 1,412 | 22.1 | 118 | 4.1 | 1,525 |
| Region |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Almaty City | 10.9 | 156 | 27.9 | 59 | 15.8 | 212 |
| South | 2.6 | 920 | 9.9 | 98 | 3.3 | 1,013 |
| West | 3.8 | 390 | 11.2 | 57 | 4.8 | 443 |
| Central | 3.2 | 278 | 14.2 | 62 | 5.2 | 340 |
| North | 5.5 | 825 | 23.2 | 151 | 8.3 | 967 |
| East | 6.3 | 417 | 23.2 | 81 | 9.2 | 493 |
| Education |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Primary/secondary | 3.4 | 1,053 | 12.2 | 158 | 4.6 | 1,205 |
| Secondary-special | 4.4 | 1,350 | 20.9 | 225 | 6.8 | 1,559 |
| Higher | 6.8 | 583 | 22.9 | 126 | 9.8 | 703 |
| Ethnicity |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kazakh | 2.7 | 1,598 | 17.5 | 159 | 4.1 | 1,747 |
| Russian | 7.4 | 883 | 18.1 | 257 | 9.9 | 1,128 |
| Other | 5.3 | 505 | 22.5 | 92 | 8.1 | 591 |
| Total | 4.5 | 2,986 | 18.7 | 509 | 6.7 | 3,467 |


| Table 13.10.2 Use of condoms: men |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Percentage of men who have had sexual intercourse in the past year who used condoms during last sexual intercourse with spouse or cohabiting partner, with noncohabitating partner, and with any partner, by selected background characteristics, Kazakhstan 1999 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Spouse or cohabitating partner |  |  | Noncohabitating partner |  | Any partner |  |
| Background characteristic | Used condom | Number of men | Used condom | Number of | Used condom | Number of men |
| Age |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 0.0 | 1 | 72.6 | 60 | 72.0 | 60 |
| 20-24 | 10.8 | 57 | 59.9 | 96 | 41.4 | 145 |
| 25-29 | 10.7 | 114 | 62.9 | 57 | 24.4 | 166 |
| 30-39 | 7.7 | 337 | 55.8 | 70 | 13.3 | 379 |
| 40-49 | 10.0 | 242 | 37.4 | 37 | 12.5 | 271 |
| 50-59 | 3.8 | 149 | 14.7 | 7 | 4.1 | 151 |
| Marital status |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Currently married | 8.2 | 899 | 46.5 | 69 | 8.3 | 914 |
| Formerly married | - | 0 | 45.7 | 56 | 45.7 | 56 |
| Never married | - | 0 | 65.7 | 202 | 65.7 | 202 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Urban | 10.7 | 516 | 54.1 | 200 | 21.3 | 675 |
| Rural | 4.9 | 383 | 64.8 | 127 | 18.3 | 497 |
| Region |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Almaty City | 21.4 | 55 | 69.6 | 30 | 35.1 | 81 |
| South | 5.3 | 255 | 40.3 | 67 | 11.8 | 321 |
| West | 4.7 | 119 | 81.2 | 39 | 17.8 | 143 |
| Central | 5.0 | 90 | 36.5 | 35 | 13.2 | 122 |
| North | 10.7 | 249 | 66.1 | 107 | 27.2 | 331 |
| East | 9.1 | 132 | 56.4 | 49 | 20.7 | 174 |
| Education |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Primary/secondary | 8.7 | 337 | 52.8 | 133 | 19.5 | 463 |
| Secondary-special | 6.6 | 413 | 61.0 | 145 | 19.0 | 522 |
| Higher | 11.7 | 148 | 65.2 | 49 | 23.8 | 188 |
| Ethnicity |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kazakh | 5.1 | 442 | 61.2 | 169 | 18.8 | 587 |
| Russian | 10.5 | 291 | 56.9 | 112 | 22.4 | 384 |
| Other | 12.4 | 166 | 50.9 | 45 | 19.0 | 201 |
| Total | 8.2 | 899 | 58.3 | 327 | 20.0 | 1,172 |

## TUBERCULOSIS

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### 14.1 Tuberculosis: Epidemiology and Treatment Strategy

Tuberculosis (TB) is caused by bacteria called Mycobacterium tuberculosis. The disease usually affects the lungs, although in up to one-third of cases, other organs are involved. If properly treated, tuberculosis caused by drug-susceptible strains is curable in virtually all cases. If untreated, the disease may be fatal within 5 years in more than half of cases. Transmission is usually airborne through the spread of droplets produced by patients with infectious pulmonary tuberculosis.

Tuberculosis is a major global health problem; it kills 3 million people each year (WHO, 1998). The breakdown in health services, the spread of HIV/AIDS, and the emergence of multi-drug-resistant TB contribute to the worsening impact of this disease. In 1993, the World Health Organization (WHO, 1993) took an unprecedented step by declaring tuberculosis a global emergency. If control is not further strengthened, it is estimated that between the years 2000 and 2020, nearly one billion people will be newly infected, 200 million people will get sick, and 70 million people will die from TB (World Health Organization, 2000).

Tuberculosis is a major health problem in Kazakhstan: In 1999, TB prevalence was 323.0 per 100,000 population, while the morbidity and mortality rates were 141.0 and 30.7 per 100,000 population, respectively. Of great public health concern in Kazakhstan is the high prevalence of tuberculosis caused by strains of bacteria that are resistant to all major anti-TB drugs. Called multi-drug-resistant TB (MDR-TB), it is the result of inconsistent or partial treatment, patients not taking all their drugs regularly for the required period because they start to feel better, doctors and health workers prescribing the wrong treatment regimens, or the unreliable drug supply. While MDR-TB is treatable, it requires extensive chemotherapy (up to two years of treatment) that could be very expensive and is toxic to patients.

The WHO-recommended treatment strategy for detecting and curing TB is the Directly Observed Therapy Short Course (DOTS). DOTS combines five elements: political commitment, microscopy services, drug supplies, surveillance and monitoring systems, and use of highly efficacious regimes with direct observation of treatment. Kazakhstan has recently adopted DOTS, which has changed the procedures for diagnosis, classification, and treatment of the disease. The new standards should be a more cost-effective means for diagnosing and treating tuberculosis and should reduce the cost of treating the illness and ensure that in Kazakhstan the disease does not become an epidemic of multi-drug-resistant tuberculosis.

Effective TB prevention and successful implementation of a TB treatment strategy depend on many factors. Besides the main components of DOTS mentioned above, it is important to ensure public support of modern principles of TB treatment and proper TB preventive behavior, which are based on knowledge of symptoms of tuberculosis and mode of its transmission, as well as understanding that tuberculosis is a treatable disease that can be treated in an ambulatory setting outside the hospital if properly observed by a health worker. Background information on knowledge of TB prevention and treatment is important in the development of monitoring programs to assess the effectiveness of the TB treatment strategy.

In the 1999 KDHS, women and men were asked a series of questions about their knowledge of TB symptoms, its mode of transmission, and proper treatment of TB. This chapter summarizes the information at the national level and for geographic and socioeconomic subgroups of the population.

### 14.2 Exposure to Tuberculosis and Knowledge of Mode of Transmission

In the 1999 KDHS, women and men were asked questions on whether they had heard of an illness called tuberculosis. Respondents were also asked whether they, anyone in their family, or anyone with whom they have frequent contact, had ever had tuberculosis.

As seen from the data presented in Tables 14.1.1 and 14.1.2, knowledge of tuberculosis is nearly universal in Kazakhstan: 99 percent of women and men reported that they had heard of tuberculosis. Eleven percent of women and 9 percent of men told the interviewers someone in their family had had tuberculosis. This percentage was higher among people in rural areas, those living in the West and North regions, those who have a primary-secondary education, and those in the Kazakh ethnic group, than among other population groups.

Table 14.1.1 Knowledge of and exposure to tuberculosis: women
Percentage of women with knowledge of tuberculosis (TB) and the way it is transmitted, and exposure to tuberculosis; by background characteristics, Kazakhstan 1999

| Background characteristic | Has heard of TB | Knows way TB is transmitted |  |  | Has family who has had TB | Had frequent contact with someone who has had TB | Number of women |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Through the air when coughing | Other way | Does not know how TB spreads |  |  |  |
| Age |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 97.3 | 65.3 | 1.5 | 16.3 | 9.8 | 19.1 | 791 |
| 20-24 | 98.1 | 69.2 | 2.3 | 11.6 | 8.5 | 19.8 | 666 |
| 25-29 | 98.4 | 72.1 | 2.0 | 8.6 | 9.4 | 24.6 | 692 |
| 30-34 | 99.5 | 71.0 | 0.7 | 8.6 | 12.6 | 23.2 | 698 |
| 35-39 | 99.2 | 71.0 | 1.0 | 5.2 | 12.3 | 25.7 | 749 |
| 40-44 | 98.9 | 70.3 | 1.4 | 6.9 | 11.6 | 23.7 | 681 |
| 45-49 | 99.0 | 76.4 | 0.4 | 5.5 | 14.6 | 27.2 | 522 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Urban | 99.1 | 77.7 | 1.1 | 6.8 | 9.9 | 23.1 | 2,668 |
| Rural | 97.9 | 61.3 | 1.6 | 12.1 | 12.7 | 23.2 | 2,132 |
| Region |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Almaty City | 99.4 | 83.2 | 1.4 | 4.6 | 7.1 | 18.4 | 291 |
| South | 98.4 | 65.3 | 2.2 | 14.6 | 11.1 | 16.1 | 1,455 |
| West | 97.7 | 75.8 | 0.8 | 5.6 | 15.4 | 31.5 | 628 |
| Central | 98.3 | 84.0 | 0.0 | 6.4 | 6.8 | 23.3 | 475 |
| North | 99.3 | 64.5 | 1.7 | 7.1 | 12.5 | 29.5 | 1,259 |
| East | 98.5 | 72.5 | 0.4 | 8.7 | 9.6 | 20.7 | 692 |
| Education |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Primary/secondary | 97.5 | 60.8 | 1.7 | 15.5 | 11.5 | 19.7 | 1,927 |
| Secondary-specia | 99.0 | 74.3 | 1.1 | 6.2 | 11.6 | 25.5 | 1,908 |
| Higher | 99.8 | 82.1 | 1.0 | 2.4 | 9.6 | 25.3 | 965 |
| Ethnicity |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kazakh | 98.2 | 68.2 | 1.2 | 10.5 | 12.8 | 22.1 | 2,587 |
| Russian | 99.2 | 75.9 | 1.4 | 6.4 | 9.7 | 24.8 | 1,454 |
| Other | 98.8 | 67.7 | 1.9 | 10.2 | 8.3 | 23.6 | 760 |
| Total | 98.6 | 70.5 | 1.3 | 9.2 | 11.1 | 23.2 | 4,800 |


| Table 14.1.2 Knowledge of and exposure to tuberculosis: men |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Percentage of men with knowledge of tuberculosis (TB) and the way it is transmitted, and exposure to tuberculosis, by background characteristics, Kazakhstan 1999 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Background characteristic | Has heard of TB | Knows way TB is transmitted |  |  | Has family member who has had TB | Had frequent contact with someone who has had TB | $\underset{\text { of }}{\text { Number }}$ men |
|  |  | Through the air when coughing | Other way | Does not know how TB spreads |  |  |  |
| Age |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 98.6 | 69.9 | 0.6 | 15.8 | 8.0 | 14.3 | 226 |
| 20-24 | 99.3 | 77.1 | 0.0 | 14.7 | 15.8 | 31.2 | 182 |
| 25-29 | 99.3 | 78.6 | 0.5 | 11.5 | 6.7 | 26.5 | 176 |
| 30-34 | 98.9 | 73.1 | 1.8 | 8.9 | 7.2 | 34.7 | 172 |
| 35-39 | 99.4 | 84.9 | 1.4 | 3.6 | 7.6 | 27.3 | 229 |
| 40-44 | 99.7 | 80.7 | 0.5 | 6.8 | 10.0 | 27.0 | 164 |
| 45-49 | 100.0 | 84.1 | 1.1 | 3.0 | 6.7 | 31.8 | 122 |
| 50-54 | 100.0 | 79.6 | 0.0 | 4.9 | 15.0 | 36.4 | 104 |
| 55-59 | 98.8 | 70.6 | 0.0 | 16.2 | 8.3 | 21.6 | 65 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Urban | 99.4 | 82.5 | 0.6 | 7.0 | 8.3 | 26.8 | 790 |
| Rural | 99.1 | 72.1 | 0.9 | 12.5 | 10.5 | 27.8 | 650 |
| Region |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Almaty City | 98.8 | 81.5 | 0.6 | 9.5 | 5.4 | 18.5 | 90 |
| South | 99.7 | 63.4 | 1.7 | 18.8 | 7.1 | 29.8 | 426 |
| West | 100.0 | 98.5 | 0.0 | 1.5 | 14.1 | 8.0 | 182 |
| Central | 97.8 | 73.8 | 0.4 | 10.4 | 5.9 | 16.7 | 139 |
| North | 100.0 | 82.9 | 0.0 | 4.5 | 10.0 | 41.1 | 396 |
| East | 97.6 | 80.6 | 1.1 | 6.4 | 12.2 | 23.6 | 207 |
| Education |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Primary/secondary | 98.9 | 71.9 | 0.3 | 12.2 | 10.6 | 23.3 | 661 |
| Secondary-specia | 99.5 | 79.7 | 1.5 | 8.8 | 8.5 | 30.6 | 581 |
| Higher | 99.7 | 92.2 | 0.0 | 2.5 | 7.4 | 30.8 | 198 |
| Ethnicity |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kazakh | 99.0 | 75.1 | 0.8 | 11.8 | 12.1 | 26.2 | 747 |
| Russian | 99.6 | 81.9 | 0.7 | 6.0 | 4.9 | 26.9 | 460 |
| Other | 99.7 | 78.4 | 0.6 | 9.1 | 8.9 | 31.5 | 234 |
| Total | 99.3 | 77.8 | 0.7 | 9.5 | 9.3 | 27.3 | 1,440 |

Twenty-three percent of women and 27 percent of men have had someone other than a family member (neighbors, colleagues, or close friends) with whom they have had frequent contact who has had tuberculosis. The percentage of those who reported having had such frequent contacts was higher among women in the West and North regions and among men in the South and North regions.

The tables also show that 71 percent of women and 78 percent of men could correctly identify the way of transmitting tuberculosis (through the air when coughing). Nine percent of women and 10 percent of men did not know the way that TB is transmitted.

### 14.3 Treatment of Tuberculosis and Willingness to Care for a Person with Tuberculosis

The respondents in the 1999 KDHS were asked questions about treatment of tuberculosis. As seen from Tables 14.2.1 and 14.2.2, 68 percent of women and 62 percent of men knew that

| Percentage of women with knowledge that tuberculosis (TB) can be completely cured, percent distribution of women by perceived appropriate treatment for person with TB, and percentage willing to provide home care for a family member with tuberculosis, according to background characteristics, Kazakhstan 1999 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Perceived appropriate treatment for person with TB |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Background characteristic | Knows <br> that TB can be completely cured | Hospitalized | Treated at home | Initially hospitalized followed by home treatment | Other | Don't know | Missing | Total | Willing to care for family member with TB | Number of women |
| Age |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 54.3 | 81.3 | 1.3 | 12.0 | 0.9 | 1.8 | 2.7 | 100.0 | 78.8 | 791 |
| 20-24 | 65.5 | 79.5 | 1.9 | 13.6 | 0.9 | 2.3 | 1.9 | 100.0 | 83.7 | 666 |
| 25-29 | 64.4 | 81.9 | 1.2 | 13.0 | 1.5 | 0.9 | 1.6 | 100.0 | 84.9 | 692 |
| 30-34 | 69.0 | 83.1 | 2.1 | 12.6 | 0.9 | 0.6 | 0.6 | 100.0 | 89.5 | 698 |
| 35-39 | 71.2 | 81.3 | 1.8 | 14.5 | 0.9 | 0.6 | 0.9 | 100.0 | 93.4 | 749 |
| 40-44 | 74.7 | 82.6 | 2.0 | 12.3 | 1.2 | 0.7 | 1.1 | 100.0 | 92.6 | 681 |
| 45-49 | 77.2 | 81.1 | 2.8 | 12.8 | 1.2 | 0.9 | 1.2 | 100.0 | 92.8 | 522 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Urban | 70.4 | 80.7 | 2.0 | 14.1 | 1.7 | 0.6 | 0.9 | 100.0 | 88.7 | 2,668 |
| Rural | 63.8 | 82.6 | 1.7 | 11.6 | 0.2 | 1.8 | 2.1 | 100.0 | 86.5 | 2,132 |
| Region |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Almaty City | 71.5 | 79.2 | 1.1 | 14.5 | 2.4 | 2.2 | 0.6 | 100.0 | 87.9 | 291 |
| South | 63.4 | 84.9 | 2.3 | 9.0 | 0.0 | 2.1 | 1.6 | 100.0 | 85.3 | 1,455 |
| West | 72.4 | 79.0 | 2.3 | 13.9 | 1.6 | 0.9 | 2.3 | 100.0 | 87.5 | 628 |
| Central | 77.6 | 88.6 | 0.7 | 5.7 | 2.5 | 0.6 | 1.9 | 100.0 | 92.6 | 475 |
| North | 66.7 | 80.6 | 1.1 | 16.2 | 1.3 | 0.2 | 0.7 | 100.0 | 88.5 | 1,259 |
| East | 64.4 | 74.8 | 2.8 | 19.0 | 0.9 | 0.9 | 1.6 | 100.0 | 88.0 | 692 |
| Education |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Primary/secondary | 59.6 | 84.9 | 1.2 | 9.2 | 0.5 | 1.7 | 2.5 | 100.0 | 83.4 |  |
| Secondary-special | 71.0 | 79.4 | 2.5 | 14.9 | 1.4 | 0.9 | 1.0 | 100.0 | 90.1 | 1,908 |
| Higher | 76.2 | 79.1 | 1.9 | 16.7 | 1.6 | 0.5 | 0.2 | 100.0 | 91.6 | 965 |
| Ethnicity |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kazakh | 66.9 | 82.3 | 1.7 | 12.1 | 0.8 | 1.3 | 1.9 | 100.0 | 85.2 | 2,587 |
| Russian | 67.7 | 81.5 | 1.4 | 14.1 | 1.5 | 0.6 | 0.8 | 100.0 | 91.5 | 1,454 |
| Other | 68.8 | 79.1 | 3.1 | 13.8 | 1.1 | 1.6 | 1.2 | 100.0 | 89.1 | 760 |
| Total | 67.5 | 81.6 | 1.8 | 13.0 | 1.1 | 1.1 | 1.4 | 100.0 | 87.7 | 4,800 |

tuberculosis can be completely cured with proper medication. When asked whether a person should be hospitalized, treated at home, or both, when it is first discovered that he or she has tuberculosis, 82 percent of women and 88 percent of men responded that treatment should be given in a hospital. Thirteen percent of women and 9 percent of men believed that such a person should initially be treated in a hospital followed by home treatment. The percentage of women who believe that such a sequence of treatment is correct was high in Almaty City and the West, North and East regions, but relatively low in the South and Central regions. Only 2 percent of women and less than 1 percent of men cited the home as a place for TB treatment.

The tables also show that 88 percent of women and 95 percent of men would be willing to take home a family member for further treatment after completion of TB treatment at the hospital. This percentage was similarly high for all population subgroups.

| Table 14.2.2 Knowledge of treatment of tuberculosis and willingness to provide home care: men |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Percentage of men with knowledge that tuberculosis (TB) can be completely cured, percent distribution of men by perceived appropriate threatment for person with TB, and percentage willing to provide home care for a family member with tuberculosis, according to background characteristics, Kazakhstan 1999 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Knows that TB can be completely cured | Perceived appropriate treatment for person with TB |  |  |  |  |  |  | Willing to care for family member with TB | Number of men |
| Background characteristic |  | Hospitalized | Treated at home | Initially ospitalized followed by home treatment | Other | Don't know | Missing | Total |  |  |
| Age |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 51.6 | 90.7 | 0.0 | 5.6 | 0.0 | 2.3 | 1.4 | 100.0 | 92.8 | 226 |
| 20-24 | 62.2 | 86.9 | 0.0 | 8.6 | 0.0 | 3.7 | 0.7 | 100.0 | 94.1 | 182 |
| 25-29 | 61.2 | 88.7 | 0.3 | 8.4 | 0.0 | 1.8 | 0.7 | 100.0 | 95.8 | 176 |
| 30-34 | 61.8 | 86.2 | 0.3 | 9.8 | 1.2 | 1.4 | 1.1 | 100.0 | 94.7 | 172 |
| 35-39 | 66.9 | 86.0 | 0.5 | 10.4 | 0.6 | 2.0 | 0.6 | 100.0 | 95.8 | 229 |
| 40-44 | 63.9 | 85.8 | 0.0 | 11.1 | 0.0 | 2.7 | 0.3 | 100.0 | 96.1 | 164 |
| 45-49 | 66.9 | 91.1 | 0.0 | 8.5 | 0.0 | 0.4 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 94.6 | 122 |
| 50-54 | 64.9 | 84.5 | 2.5 | 11.0 | 2.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 99.0 | 104 |
| 55-59 | 68.3 | 87.8 | 0.8 | 7.3 | 0.0 | 2.1 | 2.0 | 100.0 | 96.0 | 65 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Urban | 63.7 | 87.5 | 0.7 | 9.5 | 0.5 | 1.2 | 0.7 | 100.0 | 95.5 | 790 |
| Rural | 60.3 | 87.8 | 0.0 | 8.2 | 0.2 | 2.9 | 0.9 | 100.0 | 94.8 | 650 |
| Region |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Almaty City | 63.7 | 81.5 | 0.6 | 11.9 | 0.0 | 4.2 | 1.8 | 100.0 | 88.7 | 90 |
| South | 70.5 | 85.6 | 0.5 | 7.6 | 1.3 | 4.8 | 0.3 | 100.0 | 96.7 | 426 |
| West | 20.1 | 98.9 | 0.0 | 0.6 | 0.0 | 0.5 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 96.3 | 182 |
| Central | 64.4 | 79.7 | 0.8 | 15.9 | 0.0 | 1.4 | 2.2 | 100.0 | 95.3 | 139 |
| North | 75.6 | 100.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 94.3 | 396 |
| East | 54.3 | 66.0 | 0.8 | 30.2 | 0.0 | 0.6 | 2.4 | 100.0 | 95.1 | 207 |
| Education |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Primary/secondary | 59.3 | 87.6 | 0.0 | 8.4 | 0.3 | 2.6 | 1.1 | 100.0 | 94.3 | 661 |
| Secondary-special | 60.8 | 88.9 | 0.2 | 8.4 | 0.6 | 1.5 | 0.5 | 100.0 | 95.7 | 581 |
| Higher | 75.9 | 84.0 | 2.1 | 12.2 | 0.0 | 1.2 | 0.5 | 100.0 | 96.2 | 198 |
| Ethnicity |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kazakh | 59.9 | 87.0 | 0.2 | 9.0 | 0.2 | 2.7 | 1.0 | 100.0 | 96.3 | 747 |
| Russian | 65.3 | 86.7 | 0.7 | 9.4 | 0.9 | 1.7 | 0.6 | 100.0 | 93.7 | 460 |
| Other | 63.4 | 91.3 | 0.2 | 8.0 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.3 | 100.0 | 94.2 | 234 |
| Total | 62.2 | 87.6 | 0.4 | 8.9 | 0.4 | 2.0 | 0.7 | 100.0 | 95.2 | 1,440 |

### 14.4 Knowledge of Symptoms of Tuberculosis

In the 1999 KDHS, women and men were asked the following questions: "what signs or symptoms would lead you think that a person has tuberculosis" and "what are the symptoms of tuberculosis that would convince you to seek medical assistance"? The results showing knowledge of symptoms of tuberculosis are presented in Tables 14.3.1 and 14.3.2.

Without prompting, 56 percent of women and 47 percent of men correctly identified coughing for more than 3 weeks as a symptom of tuberculosis. Among other symptoms of tuberculosis, 21 percent of women and 41 percent of men cited fever, 13 percent of women and 14 percent of men cited blood in sputum, and 9 percent of women and 20 percent of men cited night sweating.

| Table 14.3.1 Knowledge of symptoms of tuberculosis: women |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Percentage of women with knowledge of symptoms of tuberculosis, by background characteristics, Kazakhstan 1999 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Symptoms of tuberculosis |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Background characteristic | Coughing more than 3 weeks | Fever | Blood in sputum | Loss of appetite | Nightsweating | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Pain } \\ & \text { in } \\ & \text { chest } \end{aligned}$ | Tiredness/ fatigue | Weight loss | Lethargy | Other | Missing | Number of women |
| Age |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 50.2 | 13.5 | 6.4 | 12.1 | 4.2 | 4.8 | 4.3 | 7.2 | 8.5 | 7.3 | 0.0 | 791 |
| 20-24 | 53.1 | 19.9 | 10.3 | 17.6 | 9.7 | 4.9 | 4.5 | 10.1 | 12.9 | 5.6 | 0.0 | 666 |
| 25-29 | 59.3 | 17.5 | 14.5 | 18.1 | 9.8 | 6.9 | 9.3 | 9.9 | 18.7 | 6.7 | 0.0 | 692 |
| 30-34 | 57.3 | 23.1 | 15.2 | 20.8 | 8.8 | 9.1 | 11.4 | 10.3 | 15.9 | 8.5 | 0.0 | 698 |
| 35-39 | 57.6 | 23.8 | 14.9 | 21.0 | 9.3 | 6.6 | 9.9 | 10.8 | 19.5 | 4.4 | 0.1 | 749 |
| 40-44 | 57.0 | 24.2 | 12.5 | 18.5 | 10.2 | 6.2 | 9.5 | 9.7 | 18.2 | 6.7 | 0.0 | 681 |
| 45-49 | 55.2 | 23.6 | 14.7 | 20.8 | 9.1 | 7.5 | 9.8 | 8.5 | 19.8 | 7.8 | 0.2 | 522 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Urban | 58.9 | 21.6 | 13.1 | 19.7 | 10.5 | 7.9 | 10.7 | 9.6 | 18.5 | 7.2 | 0.1 | 2,668 |
| Rural | 51.5 | 19.4 | 11.6 | 16.4 | 6.3 | 4.7 | 5.3 | 9.3 | 12.8 | 6.0 | 0.0 | 2,132 |
| Region |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Almaty City | 64.9 | 22.3 | 12.3 | 18.7 | 13.4 | 10.1 | 13.5 | 8.0 | 19.7 | 7.7 | 0.0 | 291 |
| South | 56.7 | 15.3 | 5.4 | 17.9 | 5.9 | 4.9 | 5.8 | 9.5 | 10.4 | 7.9 | 0.0 | 1,455 |
| West | 62.3 | 30.0 | 7.0 | 28.9 | 12.4 | 10.0 | 9.2 | 17.0 | 17.9 | 5.3 | 0.0 | 628 |
| Central | 49.0 | 18.8 | 24.6 | 19.4 | 17.2 | 5.9 | 6.4 | 11.9 | 13.3 | 2.3 | 0.1 | 475 |
| North | 54.7 | 21.1 | 17.9 | 13.8 | 7.1 | 6.4 | 9.8 | 7.0 | 20.6 | 9.7 | 0.0 | 1,259 |
| East | 49.5 | 22.7 | 14.2 | 16.3 | 5.9 | 5.7 | 9.0 | 6.3 | 17.9 | 2.5 | 0.1 | 692 |
| Education |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Primary/secondary | 49.9 | 16.5 | 9.1 | 13.8 | 5.1 | 4.9 | 4.1 | 9.0 | 9.8 | 5.4 | 0.0 | 1,927 |
| Secondary-special | 57.9 | 21.4 | 13.7 | 20.4 | 9.2 | 6.3 | 9.8 | 9.1 | 18.0 | 7.0 | 0.1 | 1,908 |
| Higher | 62.5 | 27.3 | 16.5 | 22.7 | 14.5 | 10.2 | 13.6 | 11.3 | 24.3 | 8.6 | 0.0 | 965 |
| Ethnicity |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kazakh | 53.9 | 19.8 | 10.9 | 17.9 | 7.8 | 7.1 | 7.1 | 10.7 | 13.5 | 5.4 | 0.0 | 2,587 |
| Russian | 57.9 | 23.4 | 14.7 | 18.4 | 10.6 | 5.9 | 10.3 | 8.2 | 19.0 | 7.5 | 0.1 | 1,454 |
| Other | 57.0 | 17.7 | 13.6 | 19.0 | 7.7 | 5.6 | 8.4 | 7.7 | 18.7 | 9.4 | 0.0 | 760 |
| Total | 55.6 | 20.6 | 12.5 | 18.2 | 8.6 | 6.5 | 8.3 | 9.5 | 16.0 | 6.7 | 0.0 | 4,800 |

Identification of correct symptoms of tuberculosis correlated with the respondent's level of education and was higher among women and men in urban areas and among those in Almaty City than among other population groups.

The percentage of respondents who cited specific symptoms of tuberculosis that would convince them to seek medical assistance is presented in Tables 14.4.1 and 14.4.2. The listing of such symptoms follows the same pattern as the listing of symptoms that are known to the respondents. For example, coughing for more than 3 weeks was cited by 55 percent of women and 51 percent of men as a symptom convincing the respondents to seek medical assistance. Fever was cited in this context by 21 percent of women and 42 percent of men; blood in sputum was cited by 21 percent of women and 16 percent of men; and night sweating was cited by 8 percent of women and 20 percent of men.

| Table 14.3.2 Knowledge of symptoms of tuberculosis: men |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Percentage of men with knowledge of symptoms of tuberculosis, by background characteristics, Kazakhstan 1999 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Symptoms of tuberculosis |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Background characteristic | Coughing more than 3 weeks | Fever | Blood in sputum | Loss of appetite | Nightsweating | Pain in chest | Tiredness/ fatigue | Weight loss | Lethargy | Other | Missing | Number of men |
| Age |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 40.0 | 34.0 | 7.4 | 7.7 | 16.9 | 2.9 | 8.4 | 5.2 | 8.9 | 3.5 | 26.1 | 226 |
| 20-24 | 49.6 | 40.6 | 15.5 | 9.6 | 20.8 | 10.4 | 5.4 | 9.5 | 16.0 | 4.4 | 16.3 | 182 |
| 25-29 | 46.2 | 37.4 | 15.6 | 9.4 | 15.7 | 6.6 | 17.9 | 10.2 | 17.4 | 2.4 | 16.6 | 176 |
| 30-34 | 53.6 | 34.2 | 9.6 | 10.4 | 21.5 | 8.1 | 11.5 | 7.5 | 17.5 | 5.1 | 11.7 | 172 |
| 35-39 | 46.5 | 40.5 | 18.8 | 12.5 | 27.0 | 8.1 | 10.6 | 9.1 | 20.0 | 3.7 | 8.2 | 229 |
| 40-44 | 48.0 | 48.5 | 18.7 | 10.1 | 22.1 | 10.4 | 19.1 | 8.6 | 18.4 | 1.6 | 7.4 | 164 |
| 45-49 | 45.8 | 49.3 | 9.7 | 8.5 | 22.5 | 5.9 | 9.5 | 16.9 | 15.2 | 5.4 | 10.1 | 122 |
| 50-54 | 52.1 | 51.6 | 13.2 | 11.0 | 13.1 | 3.5 | 16.7 | 14.2 | 24.1 | 9.3 | 7.6 | 104 |
| 55-59 | 41.0 | 39.1 | 11.3 | 14.4 | 16.0 | 13.0 | 13.4 | 7.7 | 26.4 | 3.7 | 23.8 | 65 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Urban | 45.4 | 41.2 | 18.3 | 9.5 | 22.5 | 9.0 | 12.5 | 10.9 | 19.0 | 4.3 | 11.8 | 790 |
| Rural | 48.8 | 40.2 | 7.8 | 10.8 | 17.4 | 5.4 | 11.5 | 7.6 | 14.8 | 3.8 | 17.1 | 650 |
| Region |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Almaty City | 62.5 | 29.8 | 13.7 | 8.3 | 26.2 | 9.5 | 10.1 | 10.7 | 13.7 | 4.2 | 11.3 | 90 |
| South | 77.5 | 26.1 | 3.3 | 16.3 | 11.3 | 5.8 | 8.7 | 12.4 | 21.3 | 9.1 | 19.7 | 426 |
| West | 7.7 | 72.5 | 5.1 | 11.7 | 23.9 | 11.7 | 14.9 | 10.7 | 11.5 | 3.4 | 17.6 | 182 |
| Central | 67.1 | 16.8 | 8.2 | 4.5 | 10.5 | 3.2 | 2.0 | 4.1 | 4.3 | 4.9 | 18.6 | 139 |
| North | 15.4 | 57.6 | 21.6 | 4.0 | 30.0 | 8.3 | 20.0 | 0.7 | 23.8 | 0.0 | 9.0 | 396 |
| East | 58.8 | 31.6 | 30.4 | 12.2 | 20.0 | 6.6 | 8.8 | 21.8 | 10.7 | 1.5 | 8.3 | 207 |
| Education |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Primary/secondary | 46.0 | 38.2 | 10.3 | 10.2 | 17.7 | 5.4 | 9.0 | 9.6 | 14.8 | 4.2 | 18.7 | 661 |
| Secondary-special | 46.2 | 41.5 | 14.4 | 10.1 | 21.2 | 8.9 | 16.0 | 9.6 | 18.5 | 2.6 | 12.3 | 581 |
| Higher | 52.3 | 47.1 | 22.0 | 9.8 | 25.1 | 9.2 | 10.5 | 8.3 | 20.8 | 7.9 | 5.1 | 198 |
| Ethnicity |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kazakh | 50.4 | 39.2 | 11.2 | 13.2 | 17.9 | 8.6 | 10.4 | 11.1 | 17.8 | 4.5 | 16.3 | 747 |
| Russian | 42.7 | 44.4 | 18.0 | 7.1 | 24.5 | 5.2 | 11.9 | 8.1 | 15.0 | 3.7 | 10.4 | 460 |
| Other | 44.4 | 38.8 | 12.5 | 6.0 | 18.9 | 7.7 | 17.5 | 6.7 | 19.1 | 3.5 | 15.1 | 234 |
| Total | 47.0 | 40.8 | 13.6 | 10.1 | 20.2 | 7.4 | 12.0 | 9.4 | 17.1 | 4.1 | 14.2 | 1,440 |

### 14.5 Seeking Treatment for Tuberculosis at Health Facility

Tables 14.5 .1 and 14.5 .2 . show the percentage of women and men who would seek treatment at a health facility in the case of TB in their family by type of health facility and background characteristics. Approximately 50 percent of women and 62 percent of men would seek treatment at a hospital; 16 percent of women and 18 percent of men would go to a polyclinic; and 10 percent of women and 2 percent of men would seek treatment at Family Group Practices.

Seeking treatment at a hospital is more likely among women and men who reside in rural areas, live in the South and North regions, and have a primary-secondary education, than it is among other population groups.

In Kazakhstan, an important component of TB treatment and the prophylaxis system is a network of so-called TB dispensaries that are involved in screening, early diagnosis, and drug treatment of patients with tuberculosis. Tables 14.5.1 and 14.5.2 show that 19 percent of women and 16 percent of men would seek treatment at a TB dispensary. Reliance on TB dispensaries is

| Table 14.4.1 Tuberculosis symptoms that convince women to seek medical assistance |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Amongwomen who know one or more symptoms of tuberculosis, the percentage who report specific symptoms that would convince them to seek medical care, by background characteristics, Kazakhstan 1999 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Symptoms of tuberculosis |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Background characteristic | Coughing more than 3 weeks | Fever | Blood in sputum | Loss of appetite | Nightsweating | Pain in chest | Tiredness/ fatigue | Weight loss | Lethargy | Other | Missing | Number of women |
| Age |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 59.0 | 16.7 | 16.0 | 17.8 | 4.9 | 6.2 | 4.9 | 11.1 | 11.9 | 8.8 | 0.0 | 526 |
| 20-24 | 52.4 | 22.5 | 21.2 | 24.3 | 8.3 | 5.9 | 5.4 | 14.4 | 14.7 | 8.7 | 0.0 | 510 |
| 25-29 | 53.3 | 19.2 | 24.2 | 23.9 | 7.7 | 5.5 | 7.3 | 15.6 | 15.9 | 6.5 | 0.2 | 574 |
| 30-34 | 57.5 | 20.5 | 25.0 | 24.7 | 6.8 | 7.5 | 9.2 | 13.3 | 15.0 | 7.9 | 0.2 | 591 |
| 35-39 | 56.9 | 22.9 | 22.0 | 26.4 | 7.9 | 6.8 | 9.2 | 16.1 | 20.8 | 6.2 | 0.0 | 639 |
| 40-44 | 56.0 | 23.0 | 18.9 | 27.1 | 8.7 | 7.0 | 9.9 | 18.2 | 19.5 | 6.8 | 0.0 | 578 |
| 45-49 | 50.5 | 23.2 | 20.8 | 30.2 | 7.9 | 9.5 | 9.3 | 13.7 | 24.5 | 4.9 | 0.0 | 435 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Urban | 55.2 | 22.1 | 22.0 | 26.0 | 8.6 | 7.6 | 9.5 | 15.4 | 18.8 | 6.6 | 0.1 | 2,279 |
| Rural | 55.3 | 19.7 | 20.2 | 23.2 | 5.8 | 5.8 | 5.7 | 13.7 | 15.4 | 7.9 | 0.0 | 1,575 |
| Region |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Almaty City | 56.6 | 21.9 | 23.7 | 25.2 | 10.4 | 9.8 | 10.5 | 11.6 | 22.3 | 7.3 | 0.3 | 265 |
| South | 60.4 | 15.1 | 9.5 | 24.3 | 5.5 | 4.3 | 5.6 | 12.1 | 11.4 | 5.0 | 0.0 | 1,036 |
| West | 66.5 | 28.4 | 11.8 | 37.5 | 9.5 | 10.1 | 8.2 | 23.2 | 18.0 | 4.6 | 0.0 | 532 |
| Central | 47.2 | 21.4 | 29.3 | 20.9 | 11.2 | 5.5 | 4.7 | 14.5 | 8.3 | 1.9 | 0.1 | 424 |
| North | 52.0 | 22.4 | 26.4 | 20.2 | 7.3 | 7.5 | 9.9 | 13.1 | 21.2 | 14.5 | 0.0 | 1,088 |
| East | 46.0 | 22.5 | 36.0 | 25.7 | 5.2 | 6.9 | 9.6 | 16.5 | 25.8 | 2.7 | 0.1 | 510 |
| Education |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Primary/secondary | 56.9 | 19.2 | 17.5 | 20.1 | 5.4 | 5.9 | 4.9 | 14.3 | 13.4 | 6.2 | 0.0 | 1,336 |
| Secondary-special | 54.3 | 21.0 | 22.4 | 27.7 | 7.5 | 7.1 | 9.0 | 14.9 | 18.0 | 7.4 | 0.1 | 1,625 |
| Higher | 54.5 | 24.3 | 24.8 | 26.8 | 10.6 | 7.7 | 10.5 | 15.2 | 22.4 | 8.0 | 0.0 | 893 |
| Ethnicity |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kazakh | 57.4 | 20.6 | 18.9 | 25.1 | 7.2 | 7.6 | 7.7 | 15.8 | 16.0 | 6.1 | 0.1 | 1,964 |
| Russian | 51.6 | 22.9 | 23.8 | 24.7 | 8.5 | 6.2 | 8.9 | 14.1 | 19.5 | 8.5 | 0.0 | 1,262 |
| Other | 55.9 | 19.3 | 23.5 | 24.3 | 6.2 | 5.7 | 6.8 | 12.8 | 17.6 | 7.7 | 0.0 | 628 |
| Total | 55.3 | 21.1 | 21.3 | 24.9 | 7.5 | 6.9 | 7.9 | 14.7 | 17.4 | 7.1 | 0.1 | 3,854 |

more common among women and men in urban areas and those with a higher education than it is among other population groups. Surprisingly, none of the men in the North region cited a TB dispensary as a place to seek treatment for TB; 86 percent of them would seek treatment at a hospital and 13 percent would go to a polyclinic. Private health facilities were rarely mentioned by respondents; only about 1 percent said they would seek treatment at a private facility in case of tuberculosis in their family.

### 14.6 Summary

Tuberculosis has been of great public health concern in Kazakhstan for decades. Recently, because of dramatic socioeconomic changes, increased poverty, and income inequalities, the rates of tuberculosis, especially of its drug-resistant forms, have increased. In order to prevent further spread of infection, Kazakhstan has adopted the DOTS program (recommended by the WHO), which has changed the procedures for diagnosis, classification, and treatment of the disease.

| Table 14.4.2 Tuberculosis symptoms that convince men to seek medical assistance |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Among men who know one or more symptoms of tuberculosis, the percentage who report the symptoms that would convince them to seek medical care, by background characteristics, Kazakhstan 1999 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Symptoms of tuberculosis |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Background characteristic | Coughing more than 3 weeks | Fever | Blood in sputum | Loss of appetite | Nightsweating | Pain in chest | Tiredness/ fatigue | Weight loss | Lethargy | Other | Missing | Number of men |
| Age |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 52.0 | 43.7 | 9.8 | 4.4 | 22.6 | 4.3 | 10.1 | 6.6 | 7.5 | 1.3 | 2.0 | 164 |
| 20-24 | 57.0 | 40.6 | 19.8 | 6.2 | 17.8 | 6.3 | 5.6 | 13.3 | 11.9 | 1.6 | 1.1 | 150 |
| 25-29 | 48.4 | 38.2 | 18.1 | 8.4 | 15.9 | 5.2 | 15.4 | 9.5 | 16.1 | 1.2 | 4.3 | 146 |
| 30-34 | 55.1 | 36.5 | 10.7 | 8.4 | 20.8 | 7.6 | 10.4 | 6.9 | 15.2 | 2.0 | 3.8 | 150 |
| 35-39 | 49.0 | 37.5 | 20.4 | 9.9 | 23.2 | 5.9 | 8.5 | 10.0 | 14.3 | 1.0 | 1.4 | 206 |
| 40-44 | 48.6 | 48.1 | 21.3 | 7.8 | 21.6 | 7.7 | 15.8 | 10.0 | 14.2 | 1.4 | 1.2 | 151 |
| 45-49 | 48.1 | 47.1 | 12.1 | 7.1 | 23.7 | 5.7 | 8.1 | 14.3 | 15.1 | 1.8 | 0.7 | 108 |
| 50-54 | 51.9 | 49.1 | 15.7 | 11.3 | 11.5 | 4.4 | 18.1 | 11.3 | 17.8 | 1.6 | 0.6 | 97 |
| 55-59 | 53.7 | 44.1 | 15.6 | 18.7 | 16.5 | 11.0 | 18.9 | 13.7 | 32.1 | 2.3 | 1.1 | 49 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Urban | 47.2 | 42.1 | 21.8 | 9.8 | 21.5 | 7.6 | 11.9 | 13.9 | 15.4 | 1.6 | 1.8 | 690 |
| Rural | 56.8 | 42.0 | 9.1 | 6.3 | 17.9 | 4.2 | 10.9 | 5.3 | 13.3 | 1.4 | 2.0 | 531 |
| Region |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Almaty City | 63.9 | 34.7 | 20.4 | 11.6 | 27.9 | 9.5 | 10.2 | 17.0 | 17.0 | 2.0 | 2.7 | 79 |
| South | 92.4 | 20.8 | 3.2 | 9.0 | 6.2 | 0.0 | 2.2 | 7.1 | 6.9 | 1.0 | 3.2 | 337 |
| West | 9.2 | 88.6 | 5.1 | 15.1 | 30.1 | 13.6 | 19.2 | 13.6 | 14.6 | 4.6 | 0.0 | 150 |
| Central | 64.0 | 19.3 | 23.7 | 7.6 | 13.0 | 5.4 | 2.7 | 16.3 | 6.7 | 5.5 | 3.8 | 110 |
| North | 17.7 | 62.5 | 23.7 | 4.3 | 33.0 | 9.1 | 22.0 | 1.4 | 26.2 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 361 |
| East | 63.5 | 19.5 | 28.5 | 8.3 | 12.1 | 4.4 | 7.2 | 23.3 | 8.8 | 0.0 | 3.4 | 185 |
| Education |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Primary/secondary | 55.1 | 40.7 | 12.8 | 7.3 | 19.6 | 3.9 | 7.8 | 10.0 | 14.0 | 1.4 | 1.8 | 529 |
| Secondary-special | 48.1 | 43.2 | 16.7 | 8.2 | 19.8 | 7.9 | 15.6 | 10.2 | 14.7 | 1.8 | 2.4 | 506 |
| Higher | 49.6 | 42.5 | 24.9 | 11.3 | 21.2 | 7.7 | 10.5 | 10.6 | 15.1 | 0.6 | 0.9 | 186 |
| Ethnicity |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kazakh | 59.1 | 39.0 | 13.3 | 9.3 | 17.0 | 6.2 | 7.8 | 9.4 | 13.1 | 1.0 | 1.5 | 616 |
| Russian | 41.7 | 45.7 | 21.6 | 7.5 | 24.6 | 5.6 | 12.8 | 10.8 | 13.9 | 2.5 | 3.2 | 409 |
| Other | 47.3 | 43.9 | 14.4 | 6.8 | 19.4 | 7.1 | 20.2 | 11.1 | 19.8 | 0.7 | 0.4 | 195 |
| Total | 51.4 | 42.0 | 16.3 | 8.3 | 19.9 | 6.1 | 11.5 | 10.1 | 14.5 | 1.5 | 1.9 | 1,221 |

Population-based data collected during the 1999 KDHS showed that more than 9 percent of women and men in Kazakhstan reported that someone in their family had had TB, and more than 23 percent reported being frequently exposed to a person with TB. This information confirms the high prevalence of tuberculosis in different regions of Kazakhstan reported by government statistics.

The survey showed that almost all women and men have heard of tuberculosis and more than 71 percent of them correctly identified the way TB is transmitted (through the air when coughing). Approximately half of the respondents mentioned without prompting the main symptom of tuberculosis (coughing for more than 3 weeks). A significant percentage of the respondents also cited other important symptoms of tuberculosis, such as fever, blood in sputum, and night sweating.

However, despite the high level of knowledge of TB symptoms and the mode of transmission, only 68 percent of women and 62 percent of men knew that tuberculosis could be completely cured with proper medication. Complete curability of tuberculosis with a properly selected drug-treatment regimen is an important concept of DOTS strategy. Another important

| Table 14.5.1 Seeking treatment for tuberculosis at health facility: women |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Percentage of women who report that they would seek treatment at a health facility if they thought that they or their child had tuberculosis (TB), by the type of health facility and background characteristics, Kazakhstan 1999 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Background characteristic | Hospital | Polyclinic | FGP | TB dispensary | Private hospital/ clinic | Private doctor | Other private medical | Other | Don't know | Number of women |
| Age |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 59.4 | 12.4 | 8.4 | 13.6 | 0.6 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 1.4 | 791 |
| 20-24 | 54.1 | 16.9 | 8.8 | 14.3 | 0.6 | 0.3 | 0.1 | 0.2 | 1.0 | 666 |
| 25-29 | 46.3 | 18.1 | 10.5 | 20.3 | 0.3 | 0.5 | 0.0 | 0.3 | 0.5 | 692 |
| 30-34 | 47.3 | 17.0 | 10.4 | 20.1 | 0.9 | 0.4 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.3 | 698 |
| 35-39 | 43.2 | 15.9 | 12.7 | 23.2 | 0.6 | 0.1 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.4 | 749 |
| 40-44 | 47.7 | 16.5 | 10.3 | 21.6 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.4 | 681 |
| 45-49 | 42.9 | 19.3 | 12.2 | 21.3 | 0.7 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.6 | 0.1 | 522 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Urban | 39.5 | 24.5 | 11.2 | 22.1 | 0.4 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.3 | 2,668 |
| Rural | 61.0 | 6.3 | 9.4 | 15.3 | 0.8 | 0.1 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 1.0 | 2,132 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Almaty City | 30.7 | 42.0 | 0.9 | 21.5 | 1.3 | 0.3 | 0.2 | 0.6 | 0.8 | 291 |
| South | 54.5 | 10.8 | 12.7 | 15.0 | 1.2 | 0.4 | 0.1 | 0.2 | 1.1 | 1,455 |
| West | 46.8 | 21.4 | 11.0 | 16.1 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.7 | 628 |
| Central | 50.2 | 13.0 | 17.7 | 15.9 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 475 |
| North | 51.0 | 15.5 | 4.2 | 25.0 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.2 | 0.3 | 1,259 |
| East | 42.7 | 16.8 | 15.4 | 20.7 | 0.6 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.5 | 692 |
| Education |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Primary/secondary | 58.8 | 11.9 | 9.1 | 14.3 | 0.4 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 1.0 | 1,927 |
| Secondary-special | 45.6 | 17.4 | 11.9 | 20.1 | 0.5 | 0.3 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.5 | 1,908 |
| Higher | 36.3 | 23.3 | 10.0 | 26.6 | 1.0 | 0.3 | 0.2 | 0.3 | 0.1 | 965 |
| Ethnicity |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kazakh | 52.4 | 12.9 | 10.5 | 17.9 | 0.8 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.2 | 0.8 | 2,587 |
| Russian | 42.7 | 22.5 | 10.4 | 21.1 | 0.4 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.3 | 1,454 |
| Other | 49.7 | 16.5 | 10.0 | 19.3 | 0.1 | 0.4 | 0.1 | 0.2 | 0.8 | 760 |
| Total | 49.0 | 16.4 | 10.4 | 19.1 | 0.6 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.2 | 0.6 | 4,800 |

concept is the possibility of followup home treatment under close observation of a health professional after the initial phase of intensive drug therapy in the hospital. In the 1999 KDHS , only 13 percent of women and 9 percent of men cited such a sequence of TB treatment. Most of the respondents, more than 82 percent, believe that the entire TB treatment should be carried out in a hospital. More than half of the respondents would seek treatment at a hospital in the case of TB in their family, compared with less than 19 percent who would seek treatment in TB dispensaries and less than 18 percent who would rely on an ambulatory care setting, such as a polyclinic or FGP.

Thus, there is room for improvement in the level of knowledge about how TB should be treated. Since personal (patient) involvement and public support for TB treatment are as important as other key components of the DOTS strategy, including political commitment and availability of drugs, increases in such knowledge could be helpful in promoting further implementation of the DOTS strategy in Kazakhstan.

## Table 14.5.2 Seeking treatment for tuberculosis at health facility: men

Percentage of men who report that they would seek treatment at a health facility if they thought that they or their child had tuberculosis (TB), by type of health facility and background characteristics, Kazakhstan 1999

| Background characteristic | Hospital | Polyclinic | FGP | TB dispensary | Private hospital/ clinic | Private doctor | Other | Don't know | $\begin{gathered} \text { Number } \\ \text { of } \\ \text { men } \end{gathered}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Age |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 72.5 | 15.1 | 1.2 | 9.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.6 | 226 |
| 20-24 | 68.3 | 16.6 | 1.5 | 12.6 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 182 |
| 25-29 | 56.3 | 17.7 | 2.7 | 18.9 | 1.8 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 0.3 | 176 |
| 30-34 | 58.2 | 16.5 | 5.0 | 18.9 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 172 |
| 35-39 | 60.8 | 17.2 | 2.0 | 17.0 | 0.8 | 0.0 | 0.8 | 0.0 | 229 |
| 40-44 | 58.1 | 22.8 | 3.6 | 14.1 | 0.5 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 164 |
| 45-49 | 59.6 | 21.4 | 1.1 | 17.5 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 122 |
| 50-54 | 63.8 | 14.4 | 3.1 | 16.7 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 104 |
| 55-59 | 46.3 | 23.9 | 0.8 | 23.7 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 3.3 | 65 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Urban | 49.3 | 23.2 | 3.4 | 21.8 | 0.8 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.2 | 790 |
| Rural | 77.2 | 11.4 | 1.2 | 8.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.3 | 650 |
| Region |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Almaty City | 39.9 | 31.0 | 0.6 | 23.8 | 1.2 | 0.6 | 0.0 | 0.6 | 90 |
| South | 77.5 | 6.7 | 1.6 | 12.2 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 426 |
| West | 11.2 | 54.4 | 0.8 | 32.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.5 | 182 |
| Central | 59.9 | 2.7 | 4.4 | 30.2 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.4 | 139 |
| North | 85.9 | 13.4 | 0.7 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 396 |
| East | 39.2 | 21.7 | 8.3 | 24.9 | 2.6 | 0.0 | 0.3 | 0.4 | 207 |
| Education |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Primary/secondary | 67.4 | 16.3 | 1.7 | 12.2 | 0.3 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.6 | 661 |
| Secondary-special | 59.6 | 20.0 | 2.8 | 15.7 | 0.5 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 581 |
| Higher | 49.9 | 17.0 | 3.5 | 26.8 | 0.7 | 0.0 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 198 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kazakh | 61.0 | 17.6 | 1.9 | 17.1 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.4 | 747 |
| Russian | 60.2 | 19.5 | 3.6 | 14.5 | 1.2 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.3 | 460 |
| Other | 67.9 | 15.5 | 1.7 | 13.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 234 |
| Total | 61.9 | 17.9 | 2.4 | 15.6 | 0.4 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.3 | 1,440 |

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## A. 1 Introduction

The second Kazakhstan Demographic and Health Survey (1999 KDHS), calls for a national sample of women between the ages of 15 and 49. It is designed to produce reliable estimates of fertility and childhood mortality rates, of contraceptive knowledge and use, and of maternal and child health indicators. Six main survey regions composed of provinces were defined as follows:
(1) Almaty City
(2) South region: Almatinskaya, Zhambylskaya, Kyzylordinskaya, and SouthKazakhstanskaya
(3) West region: Aktyubinskaya, Atyrauskaya, Mangistauskaya, and WestKazakhstanskaya
(4) North region: Akmolinskaya, Kostnaiskaya, Pavlodarskaya, and NorthKazakhstanskaya
(5) Central region: Karagandinskaya.
(6) East region: East-Kazakhstanskaya

As the result of USAID/Almaty, the cities of Zhezkazgan and Semipalatinsk located in Karagandinskaya and East-Kazakhstanskaya, respectively, were oversampled.

In addition to the main sample of women, a subsample of men between the ages of 15 and 59 were interviewed in one-third of the households to allow the study of men's knowledge and attitudes about HIV/AIDS and sexually transmitted infections.

## A. 2 Sampling Frame

Kazakhstan is divided into 14 provinces called oblasts. The oblast is divided into urban and rural areas. In urban areas, the city is divided into the urban raions (districts), and the urban raion into health blocks called therapeutic uchastoks. In rural areas, the rural raion is divided into selsovets, and the selsovet into villages.

The sampling frame for the 1999 KDHS consisted of the lists of health blocks obtained from local health care departments and the National Committee on Health, and the lists of villages obtained from the National Statistical Agency. Health blocks and villages are listed with their respective population count.

## A. 3 Characteristics of the Sample

The 1999 KDHS sample is a stratified two-stage sample. Stratification was achieved by dividing every survey region into urban and rural areas. In the first stage of selection, health blocks and villages were selected as primary sampling units (PSUs) in urban and rural areas, respectively. Because of the substantial variation in the size of blocks and villages PSUs were selected with
probability proportional to size, the size being the population count. A complete listing of the households residing in the selected blocks and villages was carried out. The lists of households obtained served as sampling frame for the selection of households in the second stage.

## A. 4 Sample Allocation

Tables A. 1 and A. 2 show the distribution of the population according to the lists of health blocks and villages used as the sampling frame.

| Table A.1 Population distribution |  |  |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Survey region | Urban | Rural | Total |
| Almaty City | 866,848 | - | 866,848 |
| South | $1,575,179$ | $3,029,975$ | $4,605,154$ |
| West | $1,087,871$ | 893,189 | $1,981,060$ |
| North | $1,830,865$ | $1,722,782$ | $3,553,647$ |
| Central | 967,355 | 257,778 | $1,225,133$ |
| East | 952,029 | 633,905 | $1,585,934$ |
| Zhezkazgan City | 162,085 | - | 162,085 |
| Semipalatinsk City | 305,136 | - | 305,136 |
|  |  |  | $13,817,776$ |
| Kazakhstan | $7,280,147$ | $6,53,629$ |  |

Table A. 2 Percent distribution of the population

| Survey region | Urban | Rural | Total |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Almaty City | 100.0 | - | 6.3 |
| South | 34.2 | 65.8 | 33.3 |
| West | 54.9 | 45.1 | 14.3 |
| North | 51.5 | 48.5 | 25.7 |
| Central | 79.0 | 21.0 | 8.9 |
| East | 60.0 | 40.0 | 11.5 |
| Zhezkazgan City | 100.0 | - | - |
| Semipalatinsk City | 100.0 | - | - |
| Kazakhstan | 52.7 | 47.3 | 100.0 |

A proportional allocation of the target sample size to the survey regions would give a selfweighting sample but would not allow a reliable estimation of health indicators. Past experience with similar surveys has shown that the minimum sample size is $800-1000$ women per survey region. Table A. 3 gives the proposed allocation of the target sample size.

| Table A.3 Proposed allocation of the sample of women |  |  |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Survey region | Urban | Rural | Total |
| Almaty City | 800 | - | 800 |
| South | 274 | 526 | 800 |
| West | 439 | 361 | 800 |
| North | 412 | 388 | 800 |
| Central | 632 | 168 | 800 |
| East | 480 | 320 | 800 |
| Zhezkazgan City | 400 | - | 400 |
| Semipalatinsk City | 400 | - | 400 |
| Kazakhstan | 3,837 | 1,763 | 5,600 |

The number of households selected in order to obtain the desired sample size was calculated as follows:

$$
\text { Number of households }=\frac{\text { Number of women }}{\text { Number of women per household } \times \text { Overall response rate }}
$$

According to the 1995 KDHS, there was 0.93 women $15-49$ per household and the overall response rate was 95 percent ( 98.5 percent for households and 96.7 percent for women). Using these results in the above formula yields the numbers of households that were selected (Table A.4).

| Table A. 4 Number of households |  |  |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Survey region | Urban | Rural | Total |
| Almaty City | 905 | - | 905 |
| South | 310 | 595 | 905 |
| West | 497 | 408 | 905 |
| North | 466 | 439 | 905 |
| Central | 715 | 190 | 905 |
| East | 543 | 362 | 905 |
| Zhezkazgan City | 453 | - | 453 |
| Semipalatinsk City | 453 | - | 453 |
| Kazakhstan | 4,342 | 1,994 | 6,336 |

As in the previous survey, the 1999 KDHS selected 20 women per urban cluster and 30 women per rural cluster (i.e., 23 households per urban cluster and 34 per rural cluster) for a total of 251 sample points. The allocation of these 251 sample points is as shown below:

| Table A. 5 Proposed number of sample points |  |  |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Survey region |  |  |  |
| Almaty City | Urban | Rural | Total |
| South | 40 | - | 40 |
| West | 14 | 18 | 32 |
| North | 22 | 12 | 34 |
| Central | 20 | 13 | 33 |
| East | 31 | 6 | 37 |
| Zhezkazgan City | 24 | 11 | 35 |
| Semipalatinsk City | 20 | - | 20 |
| Kazakhstan | 20 | - | 20 |
|  | 191 | 60 | 251 |

## A. 5 Segmentation

Some health blocks and villages that were selected have very large populations and would have required substantial time and effort to be listed. Therefore, any large block or village that was selected was divided into segments, one of which was retained in the sample. The rule for segmentation was:

Number of households 401-600 segment into 2
Number of households 601-800 segment into 3
Number of households 801-1000 segment into 4
etc.
Segmentation was carried out in the field during the mapping and household listing operation.

## A. 6 Sampling Probabilities

Sampling probabilities were calculated separately for each sampling stage, and independently for every stratum. The notations are:
$P_{1 i}$ : first-stage sampling probability of the $i^{\text {th }}$ health block or village
$P_{2 i}$ : second-stage sampling probability (households) within the $i^{\text {th }}$ health block or village
Let $a$ be the number of health blocks or villages that were selected in a given stratum, $M_{i}$ the population count (according to the sampling frame) of the $i^{\text {th }}$ health block or village in the stratum, and $\Sigma M_{i}$ the total population count of the stratum (according to the sampling frame). Let $t_{i k}$ be the estimated proportion of the selected $k^{\text {th }}$ segment within the $i^{\text {th }}$ health block or village. Note that $t_{i k}=1$ if no segmentation was done, and that $\Sigma t_{i k}=1$.

The probability of inclusion of the $i^{\text {th }}$ health block or village in the sample was calculated as follows:

$$
P_{1 i}=\frac{a M_{i}}{\sum_{i} M_{i}} \cdot t_{i k}
$$

In the second stage, a number $b_{i}$ of households were selected from the number $L_{i}$ of households newly listed in the $i^{\text {th }}$ health block or village (or segment) by the 1999 KDHS team. Then:

$$
P_{2 i}=\frac{b_{i}}{L_{i}}
$$

In order for the sample to be self-weighting within the stratum, the overall probability must be the same for every household within the stratum, i.e. $f=P_{1 i} . P_{2 i}$, where $f$ is the sampling fraction calculated separately for every stratum as follows:

$$
f=\frac{n}{N}
$$

in which $n$ is the number of households selected in the stratum, and $N$ is the number of households that existed in the stratum in 1999 at the time of fieldwork.

The selection of the households is systematic with equal probability and the selection interval was calculated as follows:

$$
I_{i}=\frac{1}{P_{2 i}}=\frac{P_{1 i}}{f}
$$

Because of the nonproportional distribution of the sample to the different strata, sampling weights were required to ensure the actual representativeness of the sample at the national level.

## A. 7 Response Rates by Region and Urban-Rural Residence

Tables A.6.1 and A.6.2 provide detailed information on the results of the household and individual interviews, according to region and urban-rural residence. Overall, the household response rates are high in most of the regions, except for Almaty City (89 percent) and urban regions ( 91 percent). This could be attributed to the longer hours urbanites spend away from home.

Response rates are slightly lower for individual men than women. Individual rates for men are lower in Almaty City and North Region than in any other survey regions of Kazakhstan.

## A.6.1 Sample implementation: women

Percent distribution of households and eligible women in the 1999 KDHS sample by results of the household and individual interviews and response rates, according to region and urban-rural residence, Kazakhstan 1999

| Result of interview and response rate | Region |  |  |  |  |  | Residence |  | Total |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Almaty City | South | West | Central | North | East | Urban | Rural |  |
| Selected households |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Completed (C) | 89.0 | 93.8 | 91.5 | 93.2 | 94.4 | 93.8 | 91.4 | 95.7 | 92.7 |
| Household present but no competent respondent at home (HP) | 1.4 | 1.1 | 1.5 | 0.5 | 0.6 | 0.4 | 0.9 | 0.8 | 0.9 |
| Refused (R) | 3.0 | 0.4 | 0.7 | 0.6 | 0.6 | 0.7 | 1.4 | 0.0 | 1.0 |
| Dwelling not found (DNF) | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.0 |
| Household absent (HA) | 4.0 | 2.1 | 3.5 | 1.1 | 1.5 | 1.3 | 2.5 | 1.2 | 2.1 |
| Dwelling vacant/address not a dwelling (DV) | 2.6 | 2.4 | 2.7 | 4.1 | 2.7 | 3.6 | 3.7 | 2.0 | 3.1 |
| Dwelling destroy (DD) | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.5 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.3 | 0.2 |
| Other (O) | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 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 |
| Number of households | 899 | 906 | 892 | 1,331 | 925 | 1,348 | 4,311 | 1,990 | 6,301 |
| Household response rate (HRR) ${ }^{1}$ | 95.2 | 98.3 | 97.7 | 98.8 | 98.6 | 98.8 | 97.5 | 99.1 | 98.1 |
| Eligible women |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Completed (EWC) | 96.7 | 98.1 | 95.7 | 98.9 | 97.9 | 99.2 | 97.9 | 97.7 | 97.8 |
| Not at home (EWNH) | 1.7 | 0.9 | 2.5 | 0.2 | 1.8 | 0.5 | 1.0 | 1.4 | 1.2 |
| Postponed (EWP) | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Refused (EWR) | 0.6 | 0.2 | 0.3 | 0.5 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.4 | 0.1 | 0.3 |
| Partly completed (EWPC) | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Incapacitated (EWI) | 0.3 | 0.6 | 1.1 | 0.3 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.3 | 0.6 | 0.4 |
| Other (EWO) | 0.5 | 0.2 | 0.4 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.3 | 0.2 | 0.2 |
| Total | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Number of women | 658 | 940 | 787 | 885 | 669 | 967 | 2,989 | 1,917 | 4,906 |
| Eligible woman response rate (EWRR) ${ }^{2}$ | 96.7 | 98.1 | 95.7 | 98.9 | 97.9 | 99.2 | 97.9 | 97.7 | 97.8 |
| Overall response rate (ORR) ${ }^{3}$ | 92.1 | 96.4 | 93.5 | 97.7 | 96.6 | 98.0 | 95.5 | 96.8 | 95.9 |

Note: The household response rate is calculated for completed households as a proportion of completed, no competent respondent, refused, and dwelling not found. The eligible woman response rate is calculated for completed interviews as a proportion of completed, not at home, postponed, refused, partially completed, incapacitated and "other." The overall response rate is the product of the household and eligible woman response rates.
${ }^{1}$ Using the number of households falling into specific response categories, the household response rate (HRR) is calculated as:

$$
\frac{\mathrm{C}}{\mathrm{C}+\mathrm{HP}+\mathrm{R}+\mathrm{DNF}} * 100
$$

${ }^{2}$ Using the number of eligible women falling into specific response categories, the eligible woman response rate (EWRR) is calculated as:

EWC

$$
\overline{\mathrm{EWC}}+\mathrm{EW} \overline{\mathrm{NH}}+\mathrm{EWP}+\mathrm{EWR}+\mathrm{EWPC}+\overline{\mathrm{EWI}+\mathrm{EWO}}
$$

${ }^{3}$ The overall response rate (ORR) is calculated as: $\quad \mathrm{ORR}=(\mathrm{HRR} * \mathrm{EWRR}) \div 100$

## A.6.2 Sample implementation: men

Percent distribution of households and eligible men in the 1999 KDHS sample by results of the household and individual interviews and response rates, according to region and urban-rural residence, sample domain and urban rural area, Kazakhstan 1999

| Result of interview and response rate | Region |  |  |  |  |  | Residence |  | Total |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Almaty City | South | West | Central | North | East | Urban | Rural |  |
| Selected households |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Completed (C) | 94.1 | 92.1 | 89.7 | 98.4 | 100.0 | 96.1 | 93.7 | 96.3 | 94.7 |
| Household present but no competent respondent at home (HP) | 0.0 | 1.4 | 1.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.4 | 0.5 | 0.5 |
| Refused (R) | 3.9 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 0.8 | 0.0 | 0.3 | 1.3 | 0.0 | 0.8 |
| Household absent (HA) | 1.5 | 2.4 | 6.2 | 0.4 | 0.0 | 0.6 | 2.4 | 1.4 | 2.0 |
| Dwelling vacant/address not a dwelling (DV) | 0.5 | 3.8 | 2.7 | 0.4 | 0.0 | 2.7 | 2.1 | 1.7 | 1.9 |
| Dwelling destroy (DD) | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.3 | 0.1 | 0.2 | 0.1 |
| Total | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Number of households | 203 | 290 | 292 | 248 | 183 | 334 | 959 | 591 | 1,550 |
| Household response rate (HRR) ${ }^{1}$ | 96.0 | 98.2 | 98.9 | 99.2 | 100.0 | 99.7 | 98.3 | 99.5 | 98.7 |
| Eligible men |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Completed (EMC) | 89.8 | 96.2 | 95.0 | 96.2 | 89.1 | 94.9 | 94.8 | 93.1 | 94.1 |
| Not at home (EMNH) | 3.7 | 2.7 | 2.5 | 1.4 | 6.7 | 3.1 | 2.3 | 4.3 | 3.1 |
| Refused (EMR) | 3.2 | 0.0 | 0.7 | 0.3 | 1.0 | 2.0 | 1.2 | 0.9 | 1.1 |
| Incapacitated (EMI) | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.4 | 0.7 | 1.6 | 0.0 | 0.3 | 0.5 | 0.4 |
| Other (EWO) | 3.2 | 1.0 | 1.4 | 1.4 | 1.6 | 0.0 | 1.3 | 1.3 | 1.3 |
| Total | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Number of men | 187 | 292 | 278 | 286 | 193 | 295 | 897 | 634 | 1,531 |
| Eligible man response rate (EMRR) ${ }^{2}$ | 89.8 | 96.2 | 95.0 | 96.2 | 89.1 | 94.9 | 94.8 | 93.1 | 94.1 |
| Overall response rate (ORR) ${ }^{3}$ | 86.2 | 94.5 | 93.9 | 95.4 | 89.1 | 94.6 | 93.1 | 92.6 | 92.9 |

Note: The household response rate is calculated for completed households as a proportion of completed, no competent respondent, refused, and dwelling not found. The eligible man response rate is calculated for completed interviews as a proportion of completed, not at home, refused, partially completed, incapacitated and "other." The overall response rate is the product of the household and eligible man response rates.
${ }^{1}$ Using the number of households falling into specific response categories, the household response rate (HRR) is calculated as:

$$
\frac{C}{C+H P+R} * 100
$$

${ }^{2}$ Using the number of eligible men falling into specific response categories, the eligible man response rate (EMRR) is calculated as:

$$
\frac{\mathrm{EMC}}{\mathrm{EMC}+\mathrm{EMNH}+\mathrm{EMR}+\mathrm{EMI}+\mathrm{EMO}}
$$

${ }^{3}$ The overall response rate $(\mathrm{ORR})$ is calculated as: $\quad \mathrm{ORR}=(\mathrm{HRR} * \mathrm{EMRR}) \div 100$

## ESTIMATES OF SAMPLING ERRORS

The estimates from a sample survey are affected by two types of errors: (1) nonsampling errors, and (2) sampling errors. Nonsampling errors are the results of mistakes made in implementing data collection and data processing, such as failure to locate and interview the correct household, misunderstanding of the questions on the part of either the interviewer or the respondent, and data entry errors. Although numerous efforts were made during the implementation of the second Kazakhstan Demographic and Health Survey (KDHS) in 1999 to minimize this type of error, nonsampling errors are impossible to avoid and difficult to evaluate statistically.

Sampling errors, on the other hand, can be evaluated statistically. The sample of respondents selected in the 1999 KDHS is only one of many samples that could have been selected from the same population, using the same design and expected size. Each of these samples would yield results that differ somewhat from the results of the actual sample selected. Sampling errors are a measure of the variability between all possible samples. Although the degree of variability is not known exactly, it can be estimated from the survey results.

A sampling error is usually measured in terms of the standard error for a particular statistic (mean, percentage, etc.), which is the square root of the variance. The standard error can be used to calculate confidence intervals within which the true value for the population can reasonably be assumed to fall. For example, for any given statistic calculated from a sample survey, the value of that statistic will fall within a range of plus or minus two times the standard error of that statistic in 95 percent of all possible samples of identical size and design.

If the sample of respondents had been selected as a simple random sample, it would have been possible to use straightforward formulas for calculating sampling errors. However, the 1999 KDHS sample is the result of a multi-stage stratified design, and, consequently, it was necessary to use more complex formulae. The computer software used to calculate sampling errors for the 1999 KDHS is the ISSA Sampling Error Module. This module used the Taylor linearization method of variance estimation for survey estimates that are means or proportions. The Jackknife repeated replication method is used for variance estimation of more complex statistics such as fertility and mortality rates.

The Taylor linearization method treats any percentage or average as a ratio estimate, $r=$ $y / x$, where $y$ represents the total sample value for variable $y$, and $x$ represents the total number of cases in the group or subgroup under consideration. The variance of $r$ is computed using the formula given below, with the standard error being the square root of the variance:

$$
\operatorname{var}(r)=\frac{l-f}{x^{2}} \sum_{k=i}^{H}\left[\frac{m_{k}}{m_{k}-l}\left(\sum_{i=l}^{m_{k}} z_{k i}^{2}-\frac{z_{k}^{2}}{m_{k}}\right)\right]
$$

in which

$$
z_{h i}=y_{h i}-r . x_{h i} \text {, and } z_{h}=y_{h}-r . x_{h}
$$

where $h \quad$ represents the stratum which varies from 1 to $H$,
$m_{h} \quad$ is the total number of clusters selected in the $h^{\text {th }}$ stratum,
$y_{h i} \quad$ is the sum of the weighted values of variable $y$ in the $i^{\text {th }}$ cluster in the $h^{\text {th }}$ stratum,
$x_{h i} \quad$ is the sum of the weighted number of cases in the $i^{\text {th }}$ cluster in the $h^{\text {th }}$ stratum, and
$f \quad$ is the overall sampling fraction, which is so small that it is ignored.
The Jackknife repeated replication method derives estimates of complex rates from each of several replications of the parent sample, and calculates standard errors for these estimates using simple formulae. Each replication considers all but one clusters in the calculation of the estimates. Pseudo-independent replications are thus created. In the 1999 KDHS, there were 251 non-empty clusters. Hence, 251 replications were created. The variance of a rate $r$ is calculated as follows:

$$
E T^{2}(R)=\operatorname{var}(r)=\frac{1}{k(k-1)} \sum_{i=x}^{k}\left(x_{1}-r\right)^{2}
$$

in which

$$
r_{1}=k r=(k-1) r_{n}
$$

where $r$ is the estimate computed from the full sample of 251 clusters,
$r_{(I)} \quad$ is the estimate computed from the reduced sample of 250 clusters ( $i^{\text {th }}$ cluster excluded), and
$k \quad$ is the total number of clusters.

In addition to the standard error, ISSA computes the design effect (DEFT) for each estimate, which is defined as the ratio between the standard error using the given sample design and the standard error that would result if a simple random sample had been used. A DEFT value of 1.0 indicates that the sample design is as efficient as a simple random sample, while a value greater than 1.0 indicates the increase in the sampling error due to the use of a more complex and less statistically efficient design. ISSA also computes the relative error and confidence limits for the estimates.

Sampling errors for the 1999 KDHS are calculated for selected variables considered to be of primary interest. The results are presented in this appendix for the country as a whole, for urban and rural areas, for six survey regions, and for three ethnic groups (Kazakh, Russian, and other ethnic groups). For each variable, the type of statistic (mean, proportion, or rate) and the base population are given in Table B.1. Tables B. 2 to B. 13 present the value of the statistic (R), its standard error (SE), the number of unweighted (N) and weighted (WN) cases, the design effect (DEFT), the relative standard error (SE/R), and the 95 percent confidence limits ( $\mathrm{R} \pm 2 \mathrm{SE}$ ), for each variable. The DEFT is considered undefined when the standard error considering simple random sample is zero (when the estimate is close to 0 or 1). In the case of the total fertility rate, the number of unweighted cases is not relevant, as there is no known unweighted value for womanyears of exposure to childbearing.

The confidence interval (e.g., as calculated for children ever born to women age 15-49) can be interpreted as follows: the overall average from the national sample is 2.924 and its standard error is 0.079 . Therefore, to obtain the 95 percent confidence limits, one adds and subtracts twice the standard error to the sample estimate, i.e., $2.924 \pm 2 \times 0.079$. There is a high probability ( 95 percent) that the true average number of children ever born to all women age 15 to 49 is between 2.765 and 3.082.

Sampling errors are analyzed for the national woman sample and for two separate groups of estimates: (1) means and proportions, and (2) complex demographic rates. The relative standard errors (SE/R) for the means and proportions range between 0.1 and 32.3 percent with an average of 6.8 percent; the highest relative standard errors are for estimates of very low values (e.g., women currently using pills). If estimates of very low values (less than 10 percent) were removed, than the average would drop to 3.6 percent. So, in general, the relative standard errors for most estimates for the country as a whole are small, except for estimates of very small proportions. The relative standard error for the total fertility rate is small, 6.2 percent. However, for mortality rates, the average relative standard error is much higher, 18.3 percent.

There are differentials in the relative standard error for estimates of subpopulations. For example, for the variable children ever born to women over 40, the relative standard errors as a percent of the estimated mean for the whole country, for the urban areas, and for the South region are 2.7 percent, 5.0 percent, and 5.9 percent, respectively.

For the total sample, the value of the design effect (DEFT), averaged over all variables, is 1.21, which means that due to multistage clustering of the sample the average standard error is increased by a factor of 1.1 over that in an equivalent simple random sample.

Table B. 1 List of selected variables for sampling errors, Kazakhstan 1999

| Variable | Estimate | Base Population |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| WOMEN |  |  |
| Urban residence | Proportion | All women 15-49 |
| Primary/secondary education | Proportion | All women 15-49 |
| Secondary-special education | Proportion | All women 15-49 |
| Higher education | Proportion | All women 15-49 |
| Never married (in union) | Proportion | All women 15-49 |
| Currently married (in union) | Proportion | All women 15-49 |
| Married before age 20 | Proportion | Women 25-49 |
| Had first sexual intercourse before 18 | Proportion | Women 25-49 |
| Children ever born | Mean | All women 15-49 |
| Children ever born to women over 40 | Mean | Women 40-49 |
| Children surviving | Mean | All women 15-49 |
| Knowing any contraceptive method | Proportion | Currently married women 15-49 |
| Knowing any modern contraceptive method | Proportion | Currently married women 15-49 |
| Ever used any contraceptive method | Proportion | Currently married women 15-49 |
| Currently using any method | Proportion | Currently married women 15-49 |
| Currently using a modern method | Proportion | Currently married women 15-49 |
| Currently using pill | Proportion | Currently married women 15-49 |
| Currently using IUD | Proportion | Currently married women 15-49 |
| Currently using condom | Proportion | Currently married women 15-49 |
| Currently using periodic abstinence | Proportion | Currently married women 15-49 |
| Currently using withdrawal | Proportion | Currently married women 15-49 |
| Using public sector source | Proportion | Current users of modern method |
| Want no more children | Proportion | Currently married women 15-49 |
| Want to delay at least 2 years | Proportion | Currently married women 15-49 |
| Ideal number of children | Mean | All women 15-49 |
| $\mathrm{BMI}<18.5$ | Proportion | Women 15-49 who were measured |
| BMI between 18.5 and 30.0 | Proportion | Women 15-49 who were measured |
| BMI > 30.0 | Proportion | Women 15-49 who were measured |
| Weight-for-height (<-2 SD) | Proportion | Women 15-49 who were measured |
| Severe anemia | Proportion | Women 15-49 who were tested |
| Moderate anemia | Proportion | Women 15-49 who were tested |
| Mild anemia | Proportion | Women 15-49 who were tested |
| Mother received medical care at birth | Proportion | Births in last 5 years |
| Had diarrhea in the last 2 weeks | Proportion | Children under 5 |
| Treated with ORS packets | Proportion | Children under 5 with diarrhea in last 2 weeks |
| Consulted medical personnel | Proportion | Children under 5 with diarrhea in last 2 weeks |
| Received BCG vaccination | Proportion | Children 12-23 months |
| Received DPT vaccination (3 doses) | Proportion | Children 12-23 months |
| Received polio vaccination (3 doses) | Proportion | Children 12-23 months |
| Received measles vaccination | Proportion | Children 12-23 months |
| Fully immunized | Proportion | Children 12-23 months |
| Weight-for-height ( $<-2$ SD) | Proportion | Children under 5 who were measured |
| Height-for-age (<-2 SD) | Proportion | Children under 5 who were measured |
| Weight-for-age (<-2 SD) | Proportion | Children under 5 who were measured |
| Children with severe anemia | Proportion | Children under 5 who were tested |
| Children with moderate anemia |  | Children under 5 who were tested |
| Children with mild anemia | Proportion | Children under 5 who were tested |
| Total fertility rate (3 years) | Rate | Woman-years of exposure to child-bearing |
| Neonatal mortality rate (10 years) ${ }^{1}$ | Rate | Number of births |
| Infant mortality rate (10 years) ${ }^{1}$ | Rate | Number of births |
| Child mortality rate (10 years) ${ }^{1}$ | Rate | Number of births |
| Under-five mortality rate(10 years) ${ }^{1}$ | Rate | Number of births |
| Postneonatal mortality rate(10 years) ${ }^{1}$ | Rate | Number of births |
| MEN |  |  |
| Urban residence | Proportion | All men 15-54 |
| Primary/secondary education | Proportion | All men 15-54 |
| Secondary-special education | Proportion | All men 15-54 |
| Higher education | Proportion | All men 15-54 |
| Never married (in union) | Proportion | All men 15-54 |
| Currently married (in union) | Proportion | All men 15-54 |
| Knowing any contraceptive method | Proportion | Currently married men 15-54 |
| Knowing any modern contraceptive method | Proportion | Currently married men 15-54 |
| Ever used any contraceptive method | Proportion | Currently married men 15-54 |
| Currently using any method | Proportion | Currently married men 15-54 |
| Currently using a modern method | Proportion | Currently married men 15-54 |
| Currently using pill | Proportion | Currently married men 15-54 |
| Currently using IUD | Proportion | Currently married men 15-54 |
| Currently using injectables | Proportion | Currently married men 15-54 |
| Currently using Norplant | Proportion | Currently married men 15-54 |
| Currently using condom | Proportion | Currently married men 15-54 |
| Currently using female sterilization | Proportion | Currently married men 15-54 |
| Currently using male sterilization | Proportion | Currently married men 15-54 |
| Currently using periodic abstinence | Proportion | Currently married men 15-54 |
| Currently using withdrawal | Proportion | Currently married men 15-54 |
| Want no more children | Proportion | Currently married men 15-54 |
| Want to delay at least 2 years | Proportion | Currently married men 15-54 |
| Ideal number of children | Mean | All men 15-54 |
| ${ }^{\top}$ Five years for the total rate |  |  |


| Table B. 2 Sampling errors for women - Total sample: Kazakhstan 1999 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Variable | Value <br> (R) | Standard error (SE) | Number of cases |  | Design effect (DEFT) | Relative error (SE/R) | Confidence intervals |  |
|  |  |  | Un- | Weight- |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | (N) | (WN) |  |  | R-2SE | $\mathrm{R}+2 \mathrm{SE}$ |
| Urban residence | 0.556 | 0.011 | 4800 | 4800 | 1.465 | 0.019 | 0.535 | 0.577 |
| Primary/secondary education | 0.401 | 0.010 | 4800 | 4800 | 1.369 | 0.024 | 0.382 | 0.421 |
| Secondary-special education | 0.397 | 0.009 | 4800 | 4800 | 1.270 | 0.023 | 0.379 | 0.415 |
| Higher education | 0.201 | 0.007 | 4800 | 4800 | 1.246 | 0.036 | 0.187 | 0.216 |
| Never married (in union) | 0.253 | 0.008 | 4800 | 4800 | 1.207 | 0.030 | 0.238 | 0.268 |
| Currently married (in union) | 0.629 | 0.008 | 4800 | 4800 | 1.152 | 0.013 | 0.613 | 0.645 |
| Married before age 20 | 0.334 | 0.009 | 3360 | 3343 | 1.062 | 0.026 | 0.317 | 0.351 |
| Had first sexual intercourse before 18 | 0.108 | 0.006 | 3360 | 3343 | 1.049 | 0.052 | 0.096 | 0.119 |
| Children ever born | 1.764 | 0.030 | 4800 | 4800 | 1.245 | 0.017 | 1.703 | 1.825 |
| Children ever born to women over 40 | 2.924 | 0.079 | 1213 | 1203 | 1.484 | 0.027 | 2.765 | 3.082 |
| Children surviving | 1.629 | 0.026 | 4800 | 4800 | 1.206 | 0.016 | 1.577 | 1.682 |
| Knowing any contraceptive method | 0.996 | 0.001 | 2950 | 3018 | 1.085 | 0.001 | 0.994 | 0.999 |
| Knowing any modern contraceptive method | 0.995 | 0.001 | 2950 | 3018 | 1.110 | 0.001 | 0.993 | 0.998 |
| Ever used any contraceptive method | 0.882 | 0.008 | 2950 | 3018 | 1.305 | 0.009 | 0.866 | 0.897 |
| Currently using any method | 0.661 | 0.013 | 2950 | 3018 | 1.488 | 0.020 | 0.635 | 0.687 |
| Currently using a modern method | 0.527 | 0.015 | 2950 | 3018 | 1.599 | 0.028 | 0.498 | 0.557 |
| Currently using pill | 0.024 | 0.003 | 2950 | 3018 | 1.114 | 0.130 | 0.018 | 0.031 |
| Currently using IUD | 0.420 | 0.013 | 2950 | 3018 | 1.450 | 0.031 | 0.393 | 0.446 |
| Currently using condom | 0.045 | 0.004 | 2950 | 3018 | 1.139 | 0.097 | 0.036 | 0.053 |
| Currently using periodic abstinence | 0.046 | 0.005 | 2950 | 3018 | 1.258 | 0.106 | 0.036 | 0.056 |
| Currently using withdrawal | 0.029 | 0.004 | 2950 | 3018 | 1.383 | 0.148 | 0.020 | 0.037 |
| Using public sector source | 0.895 | 0.008 | 1927 | 1853 | 1.201 | 0.009 | 0.878 | 0.911 |
| Want no more children | 0.554 | 0.012 | 2950 | 3018 | 1.285 | 0.021 | 0.530 | 0.577 |
| Want to delay at least 2 years | 0.129 | 0.007 | 2950 | 3018 | 1.112 | 0.053 | 0.115 | 0.142 |
| Ideal number of children | 2.768 | 0.028 | 4522 | 4471 | 1.426 | 0.010 | 2.712 | 2.824 |
| BMI < 18.5 | 0.074 | 0.007 | 2209 | 2238 | 1.308 | 0.099 | 0.059 | 0.088 |
| BMI between 18.5 and 30.0 | 0.799 | 0.010 | 2209 | 2238 | 1.213 | 0.013 | 0.778 | 0.820 |
| BMI > 30.0 | 0.127 | 0.009 | 2209 | 2238 | 1.319 | 0.073 | 0.109 | 0.146 |
| Weight-for-height ( $<-2$ SD) | 0.030 | 0.003 | 2207 | 2235 | 0.928 | 0.112 | 0.023 | 0.037 |
| Severe anemia | 0.012 | 0.002 | 2216 | 2269 | 0.845 | 0.162 | 0.008 | 0.016 |
| Moderate anemia | 0.077 | 0.006 | 2216 | 2269 | 1.037 | 0.077 | 0.065 | 0.088 |
| Mild anemia | 0.266 | 0.013 | 2216 | 2269 | 1.355 | 0.048 | 0.241 | 0.292 |
| Mother received medical care at birth | 0.990 | 0.003 | 1345 | 1449 | 1.179 | 0.003 | 0.984 | 0.997 |
| Had diarrhea in the last 2 weeks | 0.134 | 0.013 | 1266 | 1354 | 1.346 | 0.096 | 0.108 | 0.160 |
| Treated with ORS packets | 0.320 | 0.042 | 166 | 181 | 1.146 | 0.131 | 0.236 | 0.404 |
| Consulted medical personnel | 0.266 | 0.042 | 166 | 181 | 1.226 | 0.157 | 0.183 | 0.350 |
| Received BCG vaccination | 0.991 | 0.005 | 232 | 244 | 0.877 | 0.005 | 0.980 | 1.000 |
| Received DPT vaccination (3 doses) | 0.977 | 0.011 | 232 | 244 | 1.158 | 0.011 | 0.955 | 0.999 |
| Received polio vaccination (3 doses) | 0.916 | 0.021 | 232 | 244 | 1.156 | 0.022 | 0.875 | 0.957 |
| Received measles vaccination | 0.865 | 0.023 | 232 | 244 | 1.028 | 0.026 | 0.820 | 0.910 |
| Fully immunized | 0.805 | 0.024 | 232 | 244 | 0.962 | 0.030 | 0.757 | 0.854 |
| Weight-for-height ( $<-2 \mathrm{SD}$ ) | 0.018 | 0.005 | 566 | 612 | 0.958 | 0.283 | 0.008 | 0.028 |
| Height-for-age ( $<-2$ SD) | 0.097 | 0.015 | 566 | 612 | 1.188 | 0.155 | 0.067 | 0.128 |
| Weight-for-age (<-2 SD) | 0.042 | 0.010 | 566 | 612 | 1.122 | 0.228 | 0.023 | 0.062 |
| Children with severe anemia | 0.014 | 0.004 | 574 | 620 | 0.954 | 0.323 | 0.005 | 0.023 |
| Children with moderate anemia | 0.170 | 0.016 | 574 | 620 | 1.020 | 0.092 | 0.139 | 0.201 |
| Children with mild anemia | 0.179 | 0.017 | 574 | 620 | 1.109 | 0.096 | 0.145 | 0.213 |
| Total fertility rate (3 years) | 2.047 | 0.127 | NA | 13810 | 1.908 | 0.062 | 1.794 | 2.300 |
| Neonatal mortality rate (10 years) ${ }^{1}$ | 33.597 | 6.357 | 1390 | 1498 | 1.207 | 0.189 | 20.882 | 46.312 |
| Infant mortality rate (10 years) ${ }^{1}$ | 61.941 | 8.300 | 1393 | 1501 | 1.239 | 0.134 | 45.341 | 78.542 |
| Child mortality rate (10 years) ${ }^{1}$ | 10.060 | 2.963 | 1395 | 1504 | 1.182 | 0.294 | 4.135 | 15.986 |
| Under-five mortality rate(10 years) ${ }^{1}$ | 71.378 | 8.799 | 1398 | 1507 | 1.259 | 0.123 | 53.781 | 88.976 |
| Postneonatal mortality rate(10 years) ${ }^{1}$ | 28.344 | 5.004 | 1393 | 1501 | 1.158 | 0.177 | 18.335 | 38.353 |
| ${ }^{1}$ Five years for the total rate NA = Not applicable |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |


| Table B. 3 Sampling errors for women - Urban sample: Kazakhstan 1999 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Variable | Value <br> (R) | Stan- <br> dard <br> error <br> (SE) | Number of cases |  | Design effect (DEFT) | Relative error (SE/R) | Confidence intervals |  |
|  |  |  | Un- |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | (N) | (WN) |  |  | R-2SE | $\mathrm{R}+2 \mathrm{SE}$ |
| Urban residence | 1.000 | 0.000 | 2927 | 2668 | NA | 0.000 | 1.000 | 1.000 |
| Primary/secondary education | 0.322 | 0.015 | 2927 | 2668 | 1.717 | 0.046 | 0.293 | 0.352 |
| Secondary-special education | 0.415 | 0.013 | 2927 | 2668 | 1.469 | 0.032 | 0.389 | 0.442 |
| Higher education | 0.262 | 0.011 | 2927 | 2668 | 1.348 | 0.042 | 0.241 | 0.284 |
| Never married (in union) | 0.261 | 0.010 | 2927 | 2668 | 1.259 | 0.039 | 0.240 | 0.281 |
| Currently married (in union) | 0.598 | 0.011 | 2927 | 2668 | 1.218 | 0.018 | 0.576 | 0.620 |
| Married before age 20 | 0.313 | 0.011 | 2102 | 1902 | 1.127 | 0.036 | 0.291 | 0.336 |
| Had first sexual intercourse before 18 | 0.116 | 0.006 | 2102 | 1902 | 0.929 | 0.056 | 0.103 | 0.129 |
| Children ever born | 1.507 | 0.042 | 2927 | 2668 | 1.587 | 0.028 | 1.423 | 1.592 |
| Children ever born to women over 40 | 2.401 | 0.119 | 788 | 724 | 2.148 | 0.050 | 2.163 | 2.640 |
| Children surviving | 1.408 | 0.033 | 2927 | 2668 | 1.383 | 0.024 | 1.341 | 1.475 |
| Knowing any contraceptive method | 0.998 | 0.001 | 1720 | 1596 | 0.828 | 0.001 | 0.997 | 1.000 |
| Knowing any modern contraceptive method | 0.998 | 0.001 | 1720 | 1596 | 0.712 | 0.001 | 0.996 | 0.999 |
| Ever used any contraceptive method | 0.897 | 0.009 | 1720 | 1596 | 1.273 | 0.010 | 0.879 | 0.916 |
| Currently using any method | 0.674 | 0.015 | 1720 | 1596 | 1.293 | 0.022 | 0.645 | 0.704 |
| Currently using a modern method | 0.541 | 0.018 | 1720 | 1596 | 1.521 | 0.034 | 0.505 | 0.578 |
| Currently using pill | 0.037 | 0.005 | 1720 | 1596 | 1.177 | 0.144 | 0.027 | 0.048 |
| Currently using IUD | 0.400 | 0.018 | 1720 | 1596 | 1.494 | 0.044 | 0.365 | 0.435 |
| Currently using condom | 0.063 | 0.007 | 1720 | 1596 | 1.211 | 0.113 | 0.049 | 0.077 |
| Currently using periodic abstinence | 0.061 | 0.008 | 1720 | 1596 | 1.360 | 0.128 | 0.046 | 0.077 |
| Currently using withdrawal | 0.017 | 0.004 | 1720 | 1596 | 1.248 | 0.229 | 0.009 | 0.025 |
| Using public sector source | 0.863 | 0.011 | 1230 | 1058 | 1.096 | 0.012 | 0.842 | 0.885 |
| Want no more children | 0.559 | 0.016 | 1720 | 1596 | 1.316 | 0.028 | 0.527 | 0.590 |
| Want to delay at least 2 years | 0.124 | 0.009 | 1720 | 1596 | 1.147 | 0.074 | 0.106 | 0.142 |
| Ideal number of children | 2.549 | 0.043 | 2821 | 2554 | 1.976 | 0.017 | 2.463 | 2.636 |
| $\mathrm{BMI}<18.5$ | 0.079 | 0.010 | 1331 | 1247 | 1.324 | 0.124 | 0.060 | 0.099 |
| BMI between 18.5 and 30.0 | 0.799 | 0.015 | 1331 | 1247 | 1.360 | 0.019 | 0.769 | 0.829 |
| BMI > 30.0 | 0.122 | 0.013 | 1331 | 1247 | 1.403 | 0.103 | 0.097 | 0.147 |
| Weight-for-height (<-2 SD) | 0.032 | 0.004 | 1329 | 1244 | 0.926 | 0.140 | 0.023 | 0.041 |
| Severe anemia | 0.009 | 0.003 | 1323 | 1256 | 0.985 | 0.282 | 0.004 | 0.014 |
| Moderate anemia | 0.072 | 0.009 | 1323 | 1256 | 1.212 | 0.120 | 0.055 | 0.089 |
| Mild anemia | 0.259 | 0.016 | 1323 | 1256 | 1.351 | 0.063 | 0.227 | 0.292 |
| Mother received medical care at birth | 0.984 | 0.006 | 620 | 612 | 1.293 | 0.006 | 0.972 | 0.997 |
| Had diarrhea in the last 2 weeks | 0.148 | 0.017 | 597 | 583 | 1.132 | 0.112 | 0.115 | 0.181 |
| Treated with ORS packets | 0.422 | 0.070 | 83 | 86 | 1.276 | 0.165 | 0.283 | 0.562 |
| Consulted medical personnel | 0.178 | 0.048 | 83 | 86 | 1.201 | 0.268 | 0.083 | 0.274 |
| Received BCG vaccination | 0.986 | 0.010 | 107 | 106 | 0.923 | 0.010 | 0.966 | 1.000 |
| Received DPT vaccination (3 doses) | 0.961 | 0.022 | 107 | 106 | 1.209 | 0.022 | 0.918 | 1.000 |
| Received polio vaccination (3 doses) | 0.932 | 0.029 | 107 | 106 | 1.223 | 0.031 | 0.875 | 0.989 |
| Received measles vaccination | 0.901 | 0.033 | 107 | 106 | 1.180 | 0.036 | 0.836 | 0.966 |
| Fully immunized | 0.829 | 0.038 | 107 | 106 | 1.086 | 0.046 | 0.753 | 0.904 |
| Weight-for-height ( $<-2 \mathrm{SD}$ ) | 0.024 | 0.011 | 239 | 242 | 1.220 | 0.474 | 0.001 | 0.046 |
| Height-for-age (<-2 SD) | 0.058 | 0.022 | 239 | 242 | 1.359 | 0.374 | 0.015 | 0.102 |
| Weight-for-age (<-2 SD) | 0.048 | 0.022 | 239 | 242 | 1.448 | 0.450 | 0.005 | 0.091 |
| Children with severe anemia | 0.009 | 0.005 | 241 | 245 | 0.919 | 0.600 | 0.000 | 0.019 |
| Children with moderate anemia | 0.114 | 0.024 | 241 | 245 | 1.262 | 0.215 | 0.065 | 0.163 |
| Children with mild anemia | 0.178 | 0.029 | 241 | 245 | 1.231 | 0.162 | 0.120 | 0.236 |
| Total fertility rate (3 years) | 1.524 | 0.127 | NA | 7625 | 1.770 | 0.083 | 1.271 | 1.778 |
| Neonatal mortality rate (10 years) ${ }^{1}$ | 25.491 | 5.268 | 1600 | 1541 | 1.324 | 0.207 | 14.955 | 36.027 |
| Infant mortality rate (10 years) ${ }^{1}$ | 43.718 | 8.211 | 1602 | 1542 | 1.512 | 0.188 | 27.296 | 60.140 |
| Child mortality rate (10 years) ${ }^{1}$ | 6.657 | 2.087 | 1601 | 1542 | 1.075 | 0.314 | 2.482 | 10.831 |
| Under-five mortality rate(10 years) ${ }^{1}$ | 50.084 | 8.212 | 1603 | 1543 | 1.404 | 0.164 | 33.659 | 66.508 |
| Postneonatal mortality rate(10 years) ${ }^{1}$ | 18.227 | 5.085 | 1602 | 1542 | 1.624 | 0.279 | 8.058 | 28.396 |
| ${ }^{1}$ Five years for the total rate NA $=$ Not applicable |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |


| Table B. 4 Sampling errors for women - Rural sample: Kazakhstan 1999 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Variable | Value <br> (R) | Stan- <br> dard error (SE) | Number of cases |  | Design effect (DEFT) | Relative error (SE/R) | Confidence intervals |  |
|  |  |  |  | Weight- |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | ( N ) | (WN) |  |  | R-2SE | $\mathrm{R}+2 \mathrm{SE}$ |
| Urban residence | 0.000 | 0.000 | 1873 | 2132 | NA | NA | 0.000 | 0.000 |
| Primary/secondary education | 0.501 | 0.013 | 1873 | 2132 | 1.159 | 0.027 | 0.474 | 0.527 |
| Secondary-special education | 0.375 | 0.012 | 1873 | 2132 | 1.035 | 0.031 | 0.352 | 0.398 |
| Higher education | 0.124 | 0.009 | 1873 | 2132 | 1.241 | 0.076 | 0.105 | 0.143 |
| Never married (in union) | 0.244 | 0.011 | 1873 | 2132 | 1.120 | 0.046 | 0.222 | 0.266 |
| Currently married (in union) | 0.667 | 0.012 | 1873 | 2132 | 1.085 | 0.018 | 0.644 | 0.691 |
| Married before age 20 | 0.361 | 0.013 | 1258 | 1441 | 0.977 | 0.037 | 0.335 | 0.387 |
| Had first sexual intercourse before 18 | 0.096 | 0.010 | 1258 | 1441 | 1.175 | 0.101 | 0.077 | 0.116 |
| Children ever born | 2.085 | 0.051 | 1873 | 2132 | 1.154 | 0.024 | 1.983 | 2.187 |
| Children ever born to women over 40 | 3.712 | 0.107 | 425 | 479 | 1.106 | 0.029 | 3.498 | 3.927 |
| Children surviving | 1.906 | 0.048 | 1873 | 2132 | 1.230 | 0.025 | 1.810 | 2.002 |
| Knowing any contraceptive method | 0.995 | 0.002 | 1230 | 1422 | 1.109 | 0.002 | 0.990 | 0.999 |
| Knowing any modern contraceptive method | 0.993 | 0.003 | 1230 | 1422 | 1.167 | 0.003 | 0.987 | 0.999 |
| Ever used any contraceptive method | 0.864 | 0.012 | 1230 | 1422 | 1.266 | 0.014 | 0.839 | 0.889 |
| Currently using any method | 0.646 | 0.022 | 1230 | 1422 | 1.614 | 0.034 | 0.602 | 0.690 |
| Currently using a modern method | 0.511 | 0.023 | 1230 | 1422 | 1.630 | 0.045 | 0.465 | 0.558 |
| Currently using pill | 0.010 | 0.003 | 1230 | 1422 | 0.992 | 0.284 | 0.004 | 0.015 |
| Currently using IUD | 0.442 | 0.020 | 1230 | 1422 | 1.421 | 0.046 | 0.401 | 0.482 |
| Currently using condom | 0.024 | 0.005 | 1230 | 1422 | 1.155 | 0.208 | 0.014 | 0.035 |
| Currently using periodic abstinence | 0.029 | 0.006 | 1230 | 1422 | 1.158 | 0.192 | 0.018 | 0.040 |
| Currently using withdrawal | 0.042 | 0.008 | 1230 | 1422 | 1.353 | 0.184 | 0.027 | 0.058 |
| Using public sector source | 0.937 | 0.014 | 697 | 795 | 1.481 | 0.015 | 0.909 | 0.964 |
| Want no more children | 0.548 | 0.018 | 1230 | 1422 | 1.245 | 0.032 | 0.513 | 0.583 |
| Want to delay at least 2 years | 0.134 | 0.010 | 1230 | 1422 | 1.064 | 0.077 | 0.113 | 0.155 |
| Ideal number of children | 3.060 | 0.041 | 1701 | 1917 | 1.174 | 0.013 | 2.978 | 3.142 |
| $\mathrm{BMI}<18.5$ | 0.067 | 0.011 | 878 | 991 | 1.292 | 0.163 | 0.045 | 0.089 |
| BMI between 18.5 and 30.0 | 0.799 | 0.014 | 878 | 991 | 1.024 | 0.017 | 0.771 | 0.826 |
| BMI $>30.0$ | 0.134 | 0.014 | 878 | 991 | 1.214 | 0.104 | 0.106 | 0.162 |
| Weight-for-height ( $<-2$ SD) | 0.028 | 0.005 | 878 | 991 | 0.922 | 0.185 | 0.017 | 0.038 |
| Severe anemia | 0.016 | 0.003 | 893 | 1012 | 0.720 | 0.191 | 0.010 | 0.022 |
| Moderate anemia | 0.082 | 0.008 | 893 | 1012 | 0.833 | 0.093 | 0.067 | 0.098 |
| Mild anemia | 0.276 | 0.020 | 893 | 1012 | 1.340 | 0.073 | 0.235 | 0.316 |
| Mother received medical care at birth | 0.995 | 0.003 | 725 | 837 | 0.905 | 0.003 | 0.990 | 1.000 |
| Had diarrhea in the last 2 weeks | 0.123 | 0.019 | 669 | 771 | 1.439 | 0.152 | 0.085 | 0.160 |
| Treated with ORS packets | 0.226 | 0.049 | 83 | 95 | 1.073 | 0.217 | 0.128 | 0.324 |
| Consulted medical personnel | 0.346 | 0.071 | 83 | 95 | 1.310 | 0.204 | 0.205 | 0.487 |
| Received BCG vaccination | 0.995 | 0.005 | 125 | 138 | 0.810 | 0.005 | 0.984 | 1.000 |
| Received DPT vaccination (3 doses) | 0.990 | 0.010 | 125 | 138 | 1.091 | 0.010 | 0.970 | 1.000 |
| Received polio vaccination (3 doses) | 0.904 | 0.029 | 125 | 138 | 1.076 | 0.032 | 0.846 | 0.962 |
| Received measles vaccination | 0.837 | 0.030 | 125 | 138 | 0.901 | 0.036 | 0.776 | 0.897 |
| Fully immunized | 0.788 | 0.032 | 125 | 138 | 0.851 | 0.040 | 0.724 | 0.851 |
| Weight-for-height ( $<-2 \mathrm{SD}$ ) | 0.015 | 0.004 | 327 | 371 | 0.588 | 0.268 | 0.007 | 0.022 |
| Height-for-age ( $<-2 \mathrm{SD}$ ) | 0.123 | 0.020 | 327 | 371 | 1.051 | 0.163 | 0.083 | 0.163 |
| Weight-for-age (<-2 SD) | 0.039 | 0.007 | 327 | 371 | 0.708 | 0.193 | 0.024 | 0.053 |
| Children with severe anemia | 0.017 | 0.006 | 333 | 376 | 0.901 | 0.374 | 0.004 | 0.030 |
| Children with moderate anemia | 0.206 | 0.021 | 333 | 376 | 0.914 | 0.101 | 0.165 | 0.248 |
| Children with mild anemia | 0.180 | 0.021 | 333 | 376 | 0.996 | 0.117 | 0.137 | 0.222 |
| Total fertility rate (3 years) | 2.664 | 0.213 | NA | 6031 | 1.832 | 0.080 | 2.237 | 3.091 |
| Neonatal mortality rate (10 years) ${ }^{1}$ | 30.723 | 5.776 | 1732 | 1961 | 1.158 | 0.188 | 19.170 | 42.276 |
| Infant mortality rate (10 years) ${ }^{1}$ | 63.763 | 7.319 | 1733 | 1962 | 1.087 | 0.115 | 49.125 | 78.401 |
| Child mortality rate (10 years) ${ }^{1}$ | 10.082 | 3.253 | 1737 | 1965 | 1.320 | 0.323 | 3.576 | 16.589 |
| Under-five mortality rate(10 years) ${ }^{1}$ | 73.203 | 9.044 | 1738 | 1967 | 1.295 | 0.124 | 55.115 | 91.290 |
| Postneonatal mortality rate(10 years) ${ }^{1}$ | 33.040 | 4.582 | 1733 | 1962 | 0.951 | 0.139 | 23.877 | 42.203 |
| ${ }^{1}$ Five years for the total rate NA = Not applicable |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |


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| Table B.5 Sampling errors for women - Almaty City sample: Kazakhstan | 1999 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| Table B. 6 Sampling errors for women - South sample: Kazakhstan 1999 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Variable | Value <br> (R) | Stan- <br> dard <br> error <br> (SE | Number of cases |  | Design effect (DEFT) | Relative error (SE/R) | Confidence intervals |  |
|  |  |  | Un- | Weight- |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | (N) | (WN) |  |  | R-2SE | $\mathrm{R}+2 \mathrm{SE}$ |
| Urban residence | 0.374 | 0.033 | 922 | 1455 | 2.101 | 0.090 | 0.307 | 0.441 |
| Primary/secondary education | 0.489 | 0.021 | 922 | 1455 | 1.245 | 0.042 | 0.448 | 0.530 |
| Secondary-special education | 0.327 | 0.018 | 922 | 1455 | 1.174 | 0.055 | 0.291 | 0.363 |
| Higher education | 0.184 | 0.017 | 922 | 1455 | 1.331 | 0.092 | 0.150 | 0.218 |
| Never married (in union) | 0.260 | 0.017 | 922 | 1455 | 1.152 | 0.064 | 0.226 | 0.293 |
| Currently married (in union) | 0.636 | 0.017 | 922 | 1455 | 1.082 | 0.027 | 0.602 | 0.671 |
| Married before age 20 | 0.344 | 0.017 | 603 | 957 | 0.892 | 0.050 | 0.310 | 0.379 |
| Had first sexual intercourse before 18 | 0.088 | 0.013 | 603 | 957 | 1.130 | 0.148 | 0.062 | 0.114 |
| Children ever born | 2.121 | 0.057 | 922 | 1455 | 0.844 | 0.027 | 2.008 | 2.234 |
| Children ever born to women over 40 | 3.812 | 0.223 | 197 | 316 | 1.381 | 0.059 | 3.366 | 4.258 |
| Children surviving | 1.895 | 0.044 | 922 | 1455 | 0.751 | 0.023 | 1.808 | 1.983 |
| Knowing any contraceptive method | 1.000 | 0.000 | 590 | 926 | NA | 0.000 | 1.000 | 1.000 |
| Knowing any modern contraceptive method | 1.000 | 0.000 | 590 | 926 | NA | 0.000 | 1.000 | 1.000 |
| Ever used any contraceptive method | 0.836 | 0.019 | 590 | 926 | 1.260 | 0.023 | 0.797 | 0.874 |
| Currently using any method | 0.596 | 0.032 | 590 | 926 | 1.587 | 0.054 | 0.531 | 0.660 |
| Currently using a modern method | 0.498 | 0.035 | 590 | 926 | 1.721 | 0.071 | 0.427 | 0.569 |
| Currently using pill | 0.023 | 0.007 | 590 | 926 | 1.143 | 0.306 | 0.009 | 0.037 |
| Currently using IUD | 0.418 | 0.031 | 590 | 926 | 1.550 | 0.075 | 0.355 | 0.481 |
| Currently using condom | 0.022 | 0.007 | 590 | 926 | 1.200 | 0.332 | 0.007 | 0.036 |
| Currently using periodic abstinence | 0.029 | 0.009 | 590 | 926 | 1.276 | 0.304 | 0.011 | 0.047 |
| Currently using withdrawal | 0.023 | 0.007 | 590 | 926 | 1.178 | 0.315 | 0.009 | 0.038 |
| Using public sector source | 0.949 | 0.014 | 325 | 515 | 1.110 | 0.014 | 0.922 | 0.976 |
| Want no more children | 0.520 | 0.022 | 590 | 926 | 1.067 | 0.042 | 0.476 | 0.564 |
| Want to delay at least 2 years | 0.135 | 0.013 | 590 | 926 | 0.906 | 0.094 | 0.110 | 0.161 |
| Ideal number of children | 3.242 | 0.062 | 817 | 1294 | 1.294 | 0.019 | 3.119 | 3.366 |
| $\mathrm{BMI}<18.5$ | 0.076 | 0.015 | 452 | 716 | 1.163 | 0.191 | 0.047 | 0.105 |
| BMI between 18.5 and 30.0 | 0.826 | 0.023 | 452 | 716 | 1.296 | 0.028 | 0.780 | 0.872 |
| BMI $>30.0$ | 0.097 | 0.016 | 452 | 716 | 1.140 | 0.163 | 0.066 | 0.129 |
| Weight-for-height ( $<-2$ SD) | $0.042$ | 0.007 | 452 | 716 | 0.720 | 0.163 | 0.028 | 0.055 |
| Severe anemia | 0.002 | 0.002 | 461 | 731 | 0.936 | 1.003 | 0.000 | 0.006 |
| Moderate anemia | 0.066 | 0.008 | 461 | 731 | 0.732 | 0.128 | 0.049 | 0.083 |
| Mild anemia | 0.185 | 0.022 | 461 | 731 | 1.230 | 0.120 | 0.141 | 0.230 |
| Mother received medical care at birth | 0.986 | 0.006 | 432 | 660 | 0.977 | 0.006 | 0.975 | 0.997 |
| Had diarrhea in the last 2 weeks | 0.139 | 0.021 | 393 | 602 | 1.113 | 0.153 | 0.096 | 0.181 |
| Treated with ORS packets | 0.389 | 0.071 | 53 | 84 | 0.984 | 0.183 | 0.246 | 0.531 |
| Consulted medical personnel | 0.306 | 0.076 | 53 | 84 | 1.141 | 0.248 | 0.154 | 0.457 |
| Received BCG vaccination | 1.000 | 0.000 | 59 | 92 | NA | 0.000 | 1.000 | 1.000 |
| Received DPT vaccination (3 doses) | 0.985 | 0.015 | 59 | 92 | 0.925 | 0.015 | 0.955 | 1.000 |
| Received polio vaccination (3 doses) | 0.932 | 0.030 | 59 | 92 | 0.902 | 0.032 | 0.873 | 0.992 |
| Received measles vaccination | 0.880 | 0.025 | 59 | 92 | 0.595 | 0.029 | 0.829 | 0.931 |
| Fully immunized | 0.842 | 0.030 | 59 | 92 | 0.628 | 0.036 | 0.782 | 0.902 |
| Weight-for-height (<-2 SD) | 0.023 | 0.009 | 196 | 300 | 0.809 | 0.378 | 0.006 | 0.040 |
| Height-for-age ( $<-2$ SD) | 0.078 | 0.020 | 196 | 300 | 0.994 | 0.260 | 0.037 | 0.119 |
| Weight-for-age (<-2 SD) | 0.039 | 0.011 | 196 | 300 | 0.793 | 0.279 | 0.017 | 0.061 |
| Children with severe anemia | 0.014 | 0.007 | 198 | 303 | 0.886 | 0.538 | 0.000 | 0.028 |
| Children with moderate anemia | 0.121 | 0.022 | 198 | 303 | 0.949 | 0.186 | 0.076 | 0.166 |
| Children with mild anemia | 0.143 | 0.022 | 198 | 303 | 0.897 | 0.155 | 0.099 | 0.188 |
| Total fertility rate (3 years) | 2.858 | 0.307 | NA | 4108 | 1.821 | 0.107 | 2.244 | 3.472 |
| Neonatal mortality rate (10 years) ${ }^{1}$ | 35.747 | 8.056 | 947 | 1457 | 1.092 | 0.225 | 19.634 | 51.860 |
| Infant mortality rate (10 years) ${ }^{1}$ | 77.229 | 10.384 | 948 | 1458 | 1.005 | 0.134 | 56.461 | 97.998 |
| Child mortality rate (10 years) ${ }^{1}$ | 12.336 | 4.587 | 947 | 1457 | 1.209 | 0.372 | 3.162 | 21.510 |
| Under-five mortality rate(10 years) ${ }^{1}$ | $88.613$ | 11.687 | 948 | 1458 | 1.100 | 0.132 | 65.238 | 111.987 |
| Postneonatal mortality rate(10 years) ${ }^{1}$ | 41.483 | 5.977 | 948 | 1458 | 0.829 | 0.144 | 29.528 | 53.438 |
| 'Five years for the totat rate NA = Not applicable |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |


| Table B. 7 Sampling errors for women - West sample: Kazakhstan 1999 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Variable | Value <br> (R) | Stan- <br> dard <br> error <br> (SE) | Number of cases |  | Design effect (DEFT) | Relative error (SE/R) | Confidence intervals |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | (N) | (WN) |  |  | R-2SE | $\mathrm{R}+2 \mathrm{SE}$ |
| Urban residence | 0.568 | 0.022 | 753 | 628 | 1.211 | 0.038 | 0.525 | 0.612 |
| Primary/secondary education | 0.494 | 0.023 | 753 | 628 | 1.235 | 0.046 | 0.449 | 0.539 |
| Secondary-special education | 0.346 | 0.019 | 753 | 628 | 1.074 | 0.054 | 0.309 | 0.383 |
| Higher education | 0.160 | 0.018 | 753 | 628 | 1.319 | 0.110 | 0.124 | 0.195 |
| Never married (in union) | 0.268 | 0.012 | 753 | 628 | 0.716 | 0.043 | 0.245 | 0.291 |
| Currently married (in union) | 0.627 | 0.016 | 753 | 628 | 0.919 | 0.026 | 0.595 | 0.660 |
| Married before age 20 | 0.284 | 0.027 | 516 | 435 | 1.343 | 0.094 | 0.230 | 0.337 |
| Had first sexual intercourse before 18 | 0.066 | 0.009 | 516 | 435 | 0.838 | 0.138 | 0.048 | 0.085 |
| Children ever born | 1.894 | 0.078 | 753 | 628 | 1.182 | 0.041 | 1.738 | 2.050 |
| Children ever born to women over 40 | 3.216 | 0.173 | 193 | 163 | 1.235 | 0.054 | 2.870 | 3.562 |
| Children surviving | 1.743 | 0.068 | 753 | 628 | 1.129 | 0.039 | 1.608 | 1.878 |
| Knowing any contraceptive method | 0.981 | 0.009 | 472 | 394 | 1.399 | 0.009 | 0.964 | 0.999 |
| Knowing any modern contraceptive method | 0.977 | 0.010 | 472 | 394 | 1.495 | 0.011 | 0.957 | 0.998 |
| Ever used any contraceptive method | 0.817 | 0.026 | 472 | 394 | 1.476 | 0.032 | 0.765 | 0.870 |
| Currently using any method | 0.602 | 0.028 | 472 | 394 | 1.251 | 0.047 | 0.546 | 0.659 |
| Currently using a modern method | 0.480 | 0.020 | 472 | 394 | 0.874 | 0.042 | 0.440 | 0.521 |
| Currently using pill | 0.012 | 0.004 | 472 | 394 | 0.862 | 0.356 | 0.004 | 0.021 |
| Currently using IUD | 0.419 | 0.019 | 472 | 394 | 0.848 | 0.046 | 0.380 | 0.458 |
| Currently using condom | 0.040 | 0.008 | 472 | 394 | 0.915 | 0.207 | 0.023 | 0.056 |
| Currently using periodic abstinence | 0.044 | 0.009 | 472 | 394 | 0.919 | 0.197 | 0.027 | 0.062 |
| Currently using withdrawal | 0.013 | 0.002 | 472 | 394 | 0.466 | 0.184 | 0.008 | 0.018 |
| Using public sector source | 0.916 | 0.022 | 253 | 215 | 1.248 | 0.024 | 0.872 | 0.959 |
| Want no more children | 0.574 | 0.027 | 472 | 394 | 1.187 | 0.047 | 0.520 | 0.628 |
| Want to delay at least 2 years | 0.118 | 0.018 | 472 | 394 | 1.191 | 0.150 | 0.082 | 0.153 |
| Ideal number of children | 2.932 | 0.052 | 692 | 581 | 0.944 | 0.018 | 2.829 | 3.036 |
| $\mathrm{BMI}<18.5$ | 0.088 | 0.014 | 336 | 279 | 0.873 | 0.153 | 0.061 | 0.115 |
| BMI between 18.5 and 30.0 | 0.795 | 0.020 | 336 | 279 | 0.902 | 0.025 | 0.755 | 0.835 |
| $\mathrm{BMI}>30.0$ | 0.117 | 0.018 | 336 | 279 | 1.041 | 0.156 | 0.080 | 0.153 |
| Weight-for-height ( $<-2$ SD) | $0.040$ | $0.010$ | 336 | 279 | 0.956 | 0.254 | 0.020 | 0.061 |
| Severe anemia | 0.031 | 0.009 | 343 | 285 | 0.973 | 0.295 | 0.013 | 0.049 |
| Moderate anemia | 0.111 | 0.017 | 343 | 285 | 1.029 | 0.158 | 0.076 | 0.146 |
| Mild anemia | 0.315 | 0.024 | 343 | 285 | 0.955 | 0.076 | 0.267 | 0.363 |
| Mother received medical care at birth | 0.991 | 0.006 | 239 | 193 | 0.983 | 0.006 | 0.979 | 1.000 |
| Had diarrhea in the last 2 weeks | 0.159 | 0.026 | 226 | 183 | 1.029 | 0.165 | 0.107 | 0.211 |
| Treated with ORS packets | 0.329 | 0.111 | 35 | 29 | 1.356 | 0.337 | 0.108 | 0.551 |
| Consulted medical personnel | 0.220 | 0.069 | 35 | 29 | 0.903 | 0.313 | 0.082 | 0.359 |
| Received BCG vaccination | 1.000 | 0.000 | 50 | 40 | NA | 0.000 | 1.000 | 1.000 |
| Received DPT vaccination (3 doses) | 0.976 | 0.023 | 50 | 40 | 1.049 | 0.024 | 0.929 | 1.000 |
| Received polio vaccination (3 doses) | 0.856 | 0.059 | 50 | 40 | 1.156 | 0.069 | 0.738 | 0.974 |
| Received measles vaccination | 0.891 | 0.051 | 50 | 40 | 1.121 | 0.057 | 0.790 | 0.993 |
| Fully immunized | 0.772 | 0.070 | 50 | 40 | 1.154 | 0.091 | 0.631 | 0.912 |
| Weight-for-height ( $<-2$ SD) | $0.018$ | 0.017 | 100 | 78 | 1.249 | 0.956 | 0.000 | 0.053 |
| Height-for-age (<-2 SD) | 0.179 | 0.050 | 100 | 78 | 1.184 | 0.278 | 0.079 | 0.278 |
| Weight-for-age (<-2 SD) | 0.067 | 0.022 | 100 | 78 | 0.874 | 0.336 | 0.022 | 0.112 |
| Children with severe anemia | 0.028 | 0.016 | 107 | 84 | 0.982 | 0.576 | 0.000 | 0.061 |
| Children with moderate anemia | 0.299 | 0.044 | 107 | 84 | 0.943 | 0.147 | 0.211 | 0.388 |
| Children with mild anemia | 0.267 | 0.053 | 107 | 84 | 1.212 | 0.199 | 0.161 | 0.373 |
| Total fertility rate (3 years) | 2.261 | 0.189 | NA | 1776 | 1.163 | 0.083 | 1.884 | 2.638 |
| Neonatal mortality rate (10 years) ${ }^{1}$ | 17.930 | 6.589 | 574 | 466 | 1.189 | 0.367 | 4.752 | 31.109 |
| Infant mortality rate (10 years) ${ }^{1}$ | 45.659 | 9.989 | 575 | 467 | 1.123 | 0.219 | 25.681 | 65.637 |
| Child mortality rate (10 years) ${ }^{1}$ | 8.162 | 3.236 | 576 | 468 | 0.874 | 0.397 | 1.689 | 14.635 |
| Under-five mortality rate(10 years) | $53.448$ | 11.603 | 577 | 469 | 1.203 | 0.217 | 30.242 | 76.655 |
| Postneonatal mortality rate(10 years) ${ }^{1}$ | 27.729 | 7.482 | 575 | 467 | 1.101 | 0.270 | 12.765 | 42.692 |
| ${ }^{1}$ Five years for the total rate NA = Not applicable |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |


| Table B. 8 Sampling errors for women - Central sample: Kazakhstan 1999 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Variable | Value <br> (R) | Stan- <br> dard <br> error <br> (SE) | Number of cases |  | Design effect <br> (DEFT) | Relative error (SE/R) | Confidence intervals |  |
|  |  |  |  | Weight- |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | (N) | (WN) |  |  | R-2SE | $\mathrm{R}+2 \mathrm{SE}$ |
| Urban residence | 0.864 | 0.021 | 875 | 475 | 1.796 | 0.024 | 0.822 | 0.905 |
| Primary/secondary education | 0.293 | 0.013 | 875 | 475 | 0.853 | 0.045 | 0.266 | 0.319 |
| Secondary-special education | 0.471 | 0.015 | 875 | 475 | 0.871 | 0.031 | 0.442 | 0.501 |
| Higher education | 0.236 | 0.015 | 875 | 475 | 1.069 | 0.065 | 0.205 | 0.267 |
| Never married (in union) | 0.257 | 0.019 | 875 | 475 | 1.318 | 0.076 | 0.218 | 0.296 |
| Currently married (in union) | 0.590 | 0.019 | 875 | 475 | 1.164 | 0.033 | 0.552 | 0.629 |
| Married before age 20 | 0.345 | 0.026 | 632 | 343 | 1.396 | 0.077 | 0.292 | 0.398 |
| Had first sexual intercourse before 18 | 0.131 | 0.016 | 632 | 343 | 1.216 | 0.125 | 0.098 | 0.163 |
| Children ever born | 1.487 | 0.044 | 875 | 475 | 0.977 | 0.030 | 1.398 | 1.576 |
| Children ever born to women over 40 | 2.254 | 0.087 | 230 | 125 | 0.956 | 0.039 | 2.079 | 2.428 |
| Children surviving | 1.399 | 0.041 | 875 | 475 | 0.978 | 0.029 | 1.317 | 1.480 |
| Knowing any contraceptive method | 1.000 | 0.000 | 523 | 281 | NA | 0.000 | 1.000 | 1.000 |
| Knowing any modern contraceptive method | 1.000 | 0.000 | 523 | 281 | NA | 0.000 | 1.000 | 1.000 |
| Ever used any contraceptive method | 0.911 | 0.009 | 523 | 281 | 0.747 | 0.010 | 0.892 | 0.930 |
| Currently using any method | 0.715 | 0.017 | 523 | 281 | 0.873 | 0.024 | 0.680 | 0.750 |
| Currently using a modern method | 0.588 | 0.020 | 523 | 281 | 0.947 | 0.035 | 0.547 | 0.629 |
| Currently using pill | 0.037 | 0.009 | 523 | 281 | 1.106 | 0.248 | 0.019 | 0.055 |
| Currently using IUD | 0.471 | 0.023 | 523 | 281 | 1.035 | 0.048 | 0.426 | 0.516 |
| Currently using condom | 0.039 | 0.010 | 523 | 281 | 1.146 | 0.249 | 0.020 | 0.058 |
| Currently using periodic abstinence | 0.077 | 0.013 | 523 | 281 | 1.089 | 0.165 | 0.051 | 0.102 |
| Currently using withdrawal | 0.011 | 0.005 | 523 | 281 | 1.039 | 0.424 | 0.002 | 0.021 |
| Using public sector source | 0.941 | 0.013 | 383 | 208 | 1.042 | 0.013 | 0.916 | 0.966 |
| Want no more children | 0.601 | 0.020 | 523 | 281 | 0.914 | 0.033 | 0.562 | 0.640 |
| Want to delay at least 2 years | 0.152 | 0.015 | 523 | 281 | 0.941 | 0.097 | 0.122 | 0.181 |
| Ideal number of children | 2.394 | 0.034 | 846 | 459 | 1.049 | 0.014 | 2.326 | 2.463 |
| $\mathrm{BMI}<18.5$ | 0.082 | 0.015 | 383 | 206 | 1.106 | 0.190 | 0.051 | 0.113 |
| BMI between 18.5 and 30.0 | 0.840 | 0.022 | 383 | 206 | 1.165 | 0.026 | 0.797 | 0.884 |
| BMI > 30.0 | 0.081 | 0.019 | 383 | 206 | 1.356 | 0.233 | 0.043 | 0.119 |
| Weight-for-height ( $<-2$ SD) | $0.031$ | $0.007$ | 383 | 206 | 0.826 | 0.236 | 0.016 | 0.046 |
| Severe anemia | 0.011 | 0.006 | 386 | 207 | 1.062 | 0.515 | 0.000 | 0.022 |
| Moderate anemia | 0.063 | 0.011 | 386 | 207 | 0.905 | 0.178 | 0.041 | 0.086 |
| Mild anemia | 0.300 | 0.033 | 386 | 207 | 1.431 | 0.111 | 0.233 | 0.366 |
| Mother received medical care at birth | 0.993 | 0.007 | 224 | 118 | 0.876 | 0.007 | 0.979 | 1.000 |
| Had diarrhea in the last 2 weeks | 0.101 | 0.023 | 215 | 114 | 1.038 | 0.224 | 0.056 | 0.146 |
| Treated with ORS packets | 0.433 | 0.077 | 22 | 11 | 0.673 | 0.177 | 0.280 | 0.587 |
| Consulted medical personnel | 0.099 | 0.075 | 22 | 11 | 1.150 | 0.759 | 0.000 | 0.250 |
| Received BCG vaccination | 0.967 | 0.033 | 35 | 18 | 1.066 | 0.034 | 0.901 | 1.000 |
| Received DPT vaccination (3 doses) | 0.938 | 0.043 | 35 | 18 | 1.044 | 0.046 | 0.852 | 1.000 |
| Received polio vaccination (3 doses) | 0.877 | 0.056 | 35 | 18 | 0.989 | 0.064 | 0.765 | 0.988 |
| Received measles vaccination | 0.889 | 0.047 | 35 | 18 | 0.873 | 0.053 | 0.795 | 0.983 |
| Fully immunized | 0.799 | 0.056 | 35 | 18 | 0.819 | 0.070 | 0.687 | 0.912 |
| Weight-for-height ( $<-2$ SD) | 0.055 | 0.019 | 82 | 43 | 0.728 | 0.340 | 0.018 | 0.093 |
| Height-for-age ( $<-2 \mathrm{SD}$ ) | 0.125 | 0.039 | 82 | 43 | 0.984 | 0.308 | 0.048 | 0.202 |
| Weight-for-age (<-2 SD) | 0.034 | 0.018 | 82 | 43 | 0.887 | 0.527 | 0.000 | 0.070 |
| Children with severe anemia | 0.033 | 0.015 | 83 | 43 | 0.765 | 0.453 | 0.003 | 0.063 |
| Children with moderate anemia | 0.211 | 0.050 | 83 | 43 | 1.063 | 0.236 | 0.112 | 0.311 |
| Children with mild anemia | 0.341 | 0.048 | 83 | 43 | 0.955 | 0.141 | 0.245 | 0.436 |
| Total fertility rate (3 years) | 1.593 | 0.173 | NA | 1372 | 1.268 | 0.109 | 1.247 | 1.940 |
| Neonatal mortality rate ( 10 years) ${ }^{1}$ | 15.863 | 5.233 | 548 | 287 | 0.901 | 0.330 | 5.398 | 26.328 |
| Infant mortality rate (10 years) ${ }^{1}$ | 39.734 | 8.939 | 549 | 287 | 1.065 | 0.225 | 21.855 | 57.612 |
| Child mortality rate (10 years) ${ }^{1}$ | 10.589 | 5.002 | 549 | 287 | 1.183 | 0.472 | 0.586 | 20.592 |
| Under-five mortality rate(10 years) ${ }^{1}$ | 49.902 | 9.846 | 550 | 288 | 1.041 | 0.197 | 30.209 | 69.595 |
| Postneonatal mortality rate(10 years) ${ }^{1}$ | 23.871 | 6.604 | 549 | 287 | 1.024 | 0.277 | 10.662 | 37.080 |
| ${ }^{1}$ Five years for the total rate NA = Not applicable |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |


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| Table B.9 Sampling errors for women - North sample: Kazakhstan 1999 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| Table B. 10 Sampling errors for women - East sample: Kazakhstan 1999 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Variable | Value <br> (R) | Stan- <br> dard <br> error <br> (SE) | Number of cases |  | Design effect (DEFT) | Relative error (SE/R) | Confidence intervals |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | (N) | (WN) |  |  | R-2SE | $\mathrm{R}+2 \mathrm{SE}$ |
| Urban residence | 0.668 | 0.018 | 959 | 692 | 1.210 | 0.028 | 0.631 | 0.705 |
| Primary/secondary education | 0.345 | 0.020 | 959 | 692 | 1.293 | 0.058 | 0.305 | 0.384 |
| Secondary-special education | 0.447 | 0.019 | 959 | 692 | 1.176 | 0.042 | 0.410 | 0.485 |
| Higher education | 0.208 | 0.017 | 959 | 692 | 1.314 | 0.083 | 0.174 | 0.243 |
| Never married (in union) | 0.249 | 0.012 | 959 | 692 | 0.861 | 0.048 | 0.225 | 0.273 |
| Currently married (in union) | 0.610 | 0.016 | 959 | 692 | 1.004 | 0.026 | 0.578 | 0.641 |
| Married before age 20 | 0.298 | 0.024 | 688 | 497 | 1.379 | 0.081 | 0.249 | 0.346 |
| Had first sexual intercourse before 18 | 0.120 | 0.015 | 688 | 497 | 1.194 | 0.123 | 0.090 | 0.149 |
| Children ever born | 1.533 | 0.046 | 959 | 692 | 0.976 | 0.030 | 1.441 | 1.624 |
| Children ever born to women over 40 | 2.569 | 0.121 | 242 | 175 | 1.162 | 0.047 | 2.328 | 2.810 |
| Children surviving | 1.453 | 0.040 | 959 | 692 | 0.931 | 0.028 | 1.372 | 1.534 |
| Knowing any contraceptive method | 0.995 | 0.002 | 580 | 422 | 0.729 | 0.002 | 0.991 | 0.999 |
| Knowing any modern contraceptive method | 0.992 | 0.002 | 580 | 422 | 0.544 | 0.002 | 0.988 | 0.996 |
| Ever used any contraceptive method | 0.921 | 0.013 | 580 | 422 | 1.145 | 0.014 | 0.895 | 0.946 |
| Currently using any method | 0.738 | 0.022 | 580 | 422 | 1.197 | 0.030 | 0.694 | 0.781 |
| Currently using a modern method | 0.618 | 0.026 | 580 | 422 | 1.284 | 0.042 | 0.566 | 0.670 |
| Currently using pill | 0.048 | 0.011 | 580 | 422 | 1.250 | 0.232 | 0.026 | 0.070 |
| Currently using IUD | 0.453 | 0.024 | 580 | 422 | 1.177 | 0.054 | 0.404 | 0.502 |
| Currently using condom | 0.076 | 0.011 | 580 | 422 | 1.033 | 0.149 | 0.054 | 0.099 |
| Currently using periodic abstinence | 0.037 | 0.008 | 580 | 422 | 0.990 | 0.210 | 0.021 | 0.052 |
| Currently using withdrawal | 0.011 | 0.004 | 580 | 422 | 0.869 | 0.347 | 0.003 | 0.018 |
| Using public sector source | 0.932 | 0.011 | 433 | 312 | 0.940 | 0.012 | 0.909 | 0.955 |
| Want no more children | 0.607 | 0.021 | 580 | 422 | 1.024 | 0.034 | 0.565 | 0.648 |
| Want to delay at least 2 years | 0.105 | 0.016 | 580 | 422 | 1.245 | 0.151 | 0.073 | 0.137 |
| Ideal number of children | 2.507 | 0.055 | 933 | 674 | 1.340 | 0.022 | 2.396 | 2.617 |
| BMI $<18.5$ | 0.054 | 0.008 | 435 | 313 | 0.752 | 0.151 | 0.037 | 0.070 |
| BMI between 18.5 and 30.0 | 0.813 | 0.013 | 435 | 313 | 0.721 | 0.017 | 0.786 | 0.840 |
| BMI > 30.0 | 0.133 | 0.011 | 435 | 313 | 0.660 | 0.081 | 0.112 | 0.155 |
| Weight-for-height ( $<-2$ SD) | $0.025$ | $0.007$ | 435 | 313 | 0.867 | 0.257 | 0.012 | 0.039 |
| Severe anemia | 0.009 | 0.004 | 435 | 313 | 0.951 | 0.476 | 0.000 | 0.018 |
| Moderate anemia | 0.073 | 0.011 | 435 | 313 | 0.874 | 0.149 | 0.052 | 0.095 |
| Mild anemia | 0.186 | 0.022 | 435 | 313 | 1.186 | 0.119 | 0.142 | 0.230 |
| Mother received medical care at birth | 0.996 | 0.004 | 203 | 149 | 0.864 | 0.004 | 0.989 | 1.000 |
| Had diarrhea in the last 2 weeks | 0.136 | 0.028 | 195 | 143 | 1.176 | 0.205 | 0.081 | 0.192 |
| Treated with ORS packets | 0.287 | 0.097 | 25 | 20 | 1.118 | 0.339 | 0.093 | 0.482 |
| Consulted medical personnel | 0.362 | 0.129 | 25 | 20 | 1.390 | 0.355 | 0.105 | 0.620 |
| Received BCG vaccination | 0.947 | 0.036 | 42 | 31 | 1.060 | 0.038 | 0.875 | 1.000 |
| Received DPT vaccination (3 doses) | 1.000 | 0.000 | 42 | 31 | NA | 0.000 | 1.000 | 1.000 |
| Received polio vaccination (3 doses) | 0.976 | 0.021 | 42 | 31 | 0.923 | 0.022 | 0.933 | 1.000 |
| Received measles vaccination | 0.835 | 0.061 | 42 | 31 | 1.077 | 0.073 | 0.713 | 0.957 |
| Fully immunized | 0.811 | 0.054 | 42 | 31 | 0.909 | 0.067 | 0.703 | 0.920 |
| Weight-for-height (<-2 SD) | 0.000 | 0.000 | 88 | 65 | NA | NA | 0.000 | 0.000 |
| Height-for-age ( $<-2 \mathrm{SD}$ ) | 0.090 | 0.026 | 88 | 65 | 0.883 | 0.292 | 0.037 | 0.142 |
| Weight-for-age (<-2 SD) | 0.008 | 0.008 | 88 | 65 | 0.842 | 0.974 | 0.000 | 0.024 |
| Children with severe anemia | 0.008 | 0.008 | 86 | 64 | 0.849 | 0.982 | 0.000 | 0.025 |
| Children with moderate anemia | 0.092 | 0.021 | 86 | 64 | 0.703 | 0.231 | 0.050 | 0.135 |
| Children with mild anemia | 0.153 | 0.036 | 86 | 64 | 0.988 | 0.237 | 0.080 | 0.226 |
| Total fertility rate (3 years) | 1.417 | 0.161 | NA | 1977 | 1.293 | 0.114 | 1.094 | 1.740 |
| Neonatal mortality rate ( 10 years) ${ }^{1}$ | 27.979 | 7.011 | 587 | 423 | 0.949 | 0.251 | 13.957 | 42.002 |
| Infant mortality rate (10 years) ${ }^{1}$ | 36.333 | 9.430 | 587 | 423 | 1.075 | 0.260 | 17.474 | 55.192 |
| Child mortality rate (10 years) ${ }^{1}$ | 8.087 | 3.490 | 589 | 424 | 0.958 | 0.432 | 1.108 | 15.067 |
| Under-five mortality rate(10 years) ${ }^{1}$ | $44.126$ | 11.456 | 589 | 424 | 1.153 | 0.260 | 21.215 | $67.038$ |
| Postneonatal mortality rate(10 years) ${ }^{1}$ | 8.354 | 4.750 | 587 | 423 | 1.287 | 0.569 | 0.000 | 17.854 |
| ${ }^{1}$ Five years for the total rate NA = Not applicable |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |


| Table B. 11 Sampling errors for women - Kazak sample: Kazakhstan 1999 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Variable | Value <br> (R) | Stan- <br> dard <br> error <br> (SE) | Number of cases |  | Design effect (DEFT) | Relative error (SE/R) | Confidence intervals |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | (N) | (WN) |  |  | R-2SE | $\mathrm{R}+2 \mathrm{SE}$ |
| Urban residence | 0.452 | 0.023 | 2545 | 2587 | 2.339 | 0.051 | 0.406 | 0.498 |
| Primary/secondary education | 0.437 | 0.014 | 2545 | 2587 | 1.441 | 0.032 | 0.409 | 0.465 |
| Secondary-special education | 0.354 | 0.014 | 2545 | 2587 | 1.456 | 0.039 | 0.326 | 0.382 |
| Higher education | 0.209 | 0.012 | 2545 | 2587 | 1.464 | 0.056 | 0.185 | 0.232 |
| Never married (in union) | 0.295 | 0.011 | 2545 | 2587 | 1.194 | 0.037 | 0.273 | 0.316 |
| Currently married (in union) | 0.621 | 0.011 | 2545 | 2587 | 1.102 | 0.017 | 0.600 | 0.643 |
| Married before age 20 | 0.270 | 0.012 | 1722 | 1732 | 1.141 | 0.045 | 0.246 | 0.295 |
| Had first sexual intercourse before 18 | 0.059 | 0.008 | 1722 | 1732 | 1.351 | 0.130 | 0.044 | 0.075 |
| Children ever born | 1.950 | 0.044 | 2545 | 2587 | 1.154 | 0.023 | 1.862 | 2.038 |
| Children ever born to women over 40 | 3.715 | 0.126 | 532 | 539 | 1.363 | 0.034 | 3.463 | 3.966 |
| Children surviving | 1.774 | 0.038 | 2545 | 2587 | 1.123 | 0.021 | 1.698 | 1.850 |
| Knowing any contraceptive method | 0.995 | 0.002 | 1553 | 1607 | 0.872 | 0.002 | 0.992 | 0.998 |
| Knowing any modern contraceptive method | 0.994 | 0.002 | 1553 | 1607 | 0.826 | 0.002 | 0.991 | 0.997 |
| Ever used any contraceptive method | 0.847 | 0.013 | 1553 | 1607 | 1.379 | 0.015 | 0.822 | 0.872 |
| Currently using any method | 0.640 | 0.020 | 1553 | 1607 | 1.682 | 0.032 | 0.599 | 0.681 |
| Currently using a modern method | 0.537 | 0.021 | 1553 | 1607 | 1.621 | 0.038 | 0.496 | 0.578 |
| Currently using pill | 0.013 | 0.003 | 1553 | 1607 | 1.176 | 0.262 | 0.006 | 0.019 |
| Currently using IUD | 0.465 | 0.018 | 1553 | 1607 | 1.408 | 0.038 | 0.430 | 0.501 |
| Currently using condom | 0.031 | 0.005 | 1553 | 1607 | 1.182 | 0.168 | 0.021 | 0.041 |
| Currently using periodic abstinence | 0.030 | 0.005 | 1553 | 1607 | 1.113 | 0.160 | 0.020 | 0.040 |
| Currently using withdrawal | 0.017 | 0.004 | 1553 | 1607 | 1.263 | 0.241 | 0.009 | 0.026 |
| Using public sector source | 0.932 | 0.012 | 997 | 962 | 1.525 | 0.013 | 0.907 | 0.956 |
| Want no more children | 0.528 | 0.017 | 1553 | 1607 | 1.379 | 0.033 | 0.493 | 0.563 |
| Want to delay at least 2 years | 0.149 | 0.010 | 1553 | 1607 | 1.073 | 0.065 | 0.129 | 0.168 |
| Ideal number of children | 3.094 | 0.037 | 2336 | 2340 | 1.316 | 0.012 | 3.020 | 3.169 |
| $\mathrm{BMI}<18.5$ | 0.085 | 0.010 | 1176 | 1223 | 1.285 | 0.123 | 0.064 | 0.106 |
| BMI between 18.5 and 30.0 | 0.828 | 0.015 | 1176 | 1223 | 1.339 | 0.018 | 0.798 | 0.857 |
| $\mathrm{BMI}>30.0$ | 0.088 | 0.010 | 1176 | 1223 | 1.243 | 0.117 | 0.068 | 0.109 |
| Weight-for-height ( $<-2$ SD) | $0.040$ | 0.005 | 1175 | 1223 | 0.890 | 0.128 | 0.029 | 0.050 |
| Severe anemia | 0.014 | 0.003 | 1192 | 1250 | 0.870 | 0.208 | 0.008 | 0.021 |
| Moderate anemia | 0.097 | 0.008 | 1192 | 1250 | 0.879 | 0.078 | 0.082 | 0.112 |
| Mild anemia | 0.286 | 0.018 | 1192 | 1250 | 1.350 | 0.062 | 0.250 | 0.321 |
| Mother received medical care at birth | 0.988 | 0.004 | 916 | 1002 | 1.100 | 0.004 | 0.980 | 0.996 |
| Had diarrhea in the last 2 weeks | 0.137 | 0.015 | 858 | 933 | 1.251 | 0.109 | 0.107 | 0.167 |
| Treated with ORS packets | 0.352 | 0.050 | 110 | 128 | 1.101 | 0.143 | 0.252 | 0.453 |
| Consulted medical personnel | 0.283 | 0.052 | 110 | 128 | 1.220 | 0.182 | 0.180 | 0.386 |
| Received BCG vaccination | 1.000 | 0.000 | 158 | 170 | NA | 0.000 | 1.000 | 1.000 |
| Received DPT vaccination (3 doses) | 0.986 | 0.010 | 158 | 170 | 1.085 | 0.010 | 0.967 | 1.000 |
| Received polio vaccination (3 doses) | 0.907 | 0.024 | 158 | 170 | 1.061 | 0.026 | 0.860 | 0.955 |
| Received measles vaccination | 0.882 | 0.025 | 158 | 170 | 1.002 | 0.028 | 0.832 | 0.932 |
| Fully immunized | 0.837 | 0.027 | 158 | 170 | 0.963 | 0.033 | 0.782 | 0.892 |
| Weight-for-height ( $<-2$ SD) | 0.021 | 0.008 | 382 | 417 | 1.111 | 0.368 | 0.006 | 0.037 |
| Height-for-age (<-2 SD) | 0.112 | 0.020 | 382 | 417 | 1.183 | 0.177 | 0.073 | 0.152 |
| Weight-for-age (<-2 SD) | 0.050 | 0.013 | 382 | 417 | 1.141 | 0.260 | 0.024 | 0.077 |
| Children with severe anemia | 0.020 | 0.006 | 395 | 427 | 0.941 | 0.320 | 0.007 | 0.033 |
| Children with moderate anemia | 0.200 | 0.017 | 395 | 427 | 0.865 | 0.086 | 0.166 | 0.234 |
| Children with mild anemia | 0.183 | 0.021 | 395 | 427 | 1.112 | 0.115 | 0.141 | 0.225 |
| Total fertility rate (3 years) | 2.499 | 0.177 | NA | 7164 | 1.731 | 0.071 | 2.145 | 2.853 |
| Neonatal mortality rate (10 years) ${ }^{1}$ | 26.546 | 4.778 | 2195 | 2307 | 1.174 | 0.180 | 16.989 | 36.103 |
| Infant mortality rate (10 years) ${ }^{1}$ | 58.200 | 6.678 | 2198 | 2309 | 1.171 | 0.115 | 44.845 | 71.556 |
| Child mortality rate (10 years) ${ }^{1}$ | 10.426 | 2.812 | 2198 | 2308 | 1.292 | 0.270 | 4.802 | 16.049 |
| Under-five mortality rate(10 years) ${ }^{1}$ | 68.019 | 7.915 | 2201 | 2311 | 1.318 | 0.116 | 52.190 | 83.849 |
| Postneonatal mortality rate(10 years) ${ }^{1}$ | 31.654 | 4.312 | 2198 | 2309 | 1.109 | 0.136 | 23.030 | 40.279 |
| ${ }^{1}$ Five years for the total rate NA = Not applicable |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |


| Table B. 12 Sampling errors for women - Russian sample: Kazakhstan 1999 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Variable | Value <br> (R) | Stan- <br> dard <br> error <br> (SE) | Number of cases |  | Design effect (DEFT) | Relative error (SE/R) | Confidence intervals |  |
|  |  |  | Un- | Weight- |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | (N) | (WN) |  |  | R-2SE | $\mathrm{R}+2 \mathrm{SE}$ |
| Urban residence | 0.752 | 0.019 | 1595 | 1454 | 1.762 | 0.025 | 0.714 | 0.790 |
| Primary/secondary education | 0.325 | 0.015 | 1595 | 1454 | 1.242 | 0.045 | 0.296 | 0.354 |
| Secondary-special education | 0.467 | 0.015 | 1595 | 1454 | 1.238 | 0.033 | 0.436 | 0.498 |
| Higher education | 0.207 | 0.012 | 1595 | 1454 | 1.159 | 0.057 | 0.184 | 0.231 |
| Never married (in union) | 0.207 | 0.010 | 1595 | 1454 | 0.960 | 0.047 | 0.188 | 0.227 |
| Currently married (in union) | 0.622 | 0.012 | 1595 | 1454 | 1.016 | 0.020 | 0.597 | 0.647 |
| Married before age 20 | 0.396 | 0.018 | 1145 | 1047 | 1.219 | 0.045 | 0.361 | 0.431 |
| Had first sexual intercourse before 18 | 0.158 | 0.010 | 1145 | 1047 | 0.908 | 0.062 | 0.138 | 0.177 |
| Children ever born | 1.405 | 0.032 | 1595 | 1454 | 1.085 | 0.023 | 1.341 | 1.468 |
| Children ever born to women over 40 | 2.118 | 0.061 | 503 | 468 | 1.221 | 0.029 | 1.996 | 2.240 |
| Children surviving | 1.334 | 0.030 | 1595 | 1454 | 1.098 | 0.022 | 1.275 | 1.394 |
| Knowing any contraceptive method | 0.998 | 0.001 | 969 | 904 | 0.832 | 0.001 | 0.996 | 1.000 |
| Knowing any modern contraceptive method | 0.997 | 0.002 | 969 | 904 | 1.059 | 0.002 | 0.994 | 1.000 |
| Ever used any contraceptive method | 0.927 | 0.008 | 969 | 904 | 0.904 | 0.008 | 0.912 | 0.942 |
| Currently using any method | 0.701 | 0.016 | 969 | 904 | 1.103 | 0.023 | 0.669 | 0.734 |
| Currently using a modern method | 0.537 | 0.019 | 969 | 904 | 1.191 | 0.036 | 0.499 | 0.575 |
| Currently using pill | 0.044 | 0.007 | 969 | 904 | 1.003 | 0.150 | 0.031 | 0.057 |
| Currently using IUD | 0.375 | 0.018 | 969 | 904 | 1.178 | 0.049 | 0.339 | 0.412 |
| Currently using condom | 0.072 | 0.008 | 969 | 904 | 0.975 | 0.113 | 0.056 | 0.088 |
| Currently using periodic abstinence | 0.070 | 0.012 | 969 | 904 | 1.445 | 0.169 | 0.046 | 0.094 |
| Currently using withdrawal | 0.033 | 0.006 | 969 | 904 | 1.098 | 0.191 | 0.020 | 0.045 |
| Using public sector source | 0.852 | 0.015 | 671 | 606 | 1.108 | 0.018 | 0.821 | 0.882 |
| Want no more children | 0.600 | 0.019 | 969 | 904 | 1.211 | 0.032 | 0.562 | 0.639 |
| Want to delay at least 2 years | 0.098 | 0.010 | 969 | 904 | 0.995 | 0.097 | 0.079 | 0.117 |
| Ideal number of children | 2.288 | 0.038 | 1560 | 1419 | 1.368 | 0.017 | 2.212 | 2.363 |
| $\mathrm{BMI}<18.5$ | 0.071 | 0.014 | 745 | 670 | 1.469 | 0.194 | 0.044 | 0.099 |
| BMI between 18.5 and 30.0 | 0.766 | 0.019 | 745 | 670 | 1.218 | 0.025 | 0.729 | 0.804 |
| BMI > 30.0 | 0.162 | 0.016 | 745 | 670 | 1.161 | 0.097 | 0.131 | 0.194 |
| Weight-for-height ( $<-2$ SD) | $0.022$ | 0.007 | 745 | 670 | 1.272 | 0.314 | 0.008 | 0.035 |
| Severe anemia | 0.011 | 0.005 | 734 | 664 | 1.213 | 0.419 | 0.002 | 0.021 |
| Moderate anemia | 0.041 | 0.008 | 734 | 664 | 1.148 | 0.206 | 0.024 | 0.058 |
| Mild anemia | 0.231 | 0.020 | 734 | 664 | 1.272 | 0.086 | 0.192 | 0.271 |
| Mother received medical care at birth | 0.992 | 0.008 | 271 | 251 | 1.468 | 0.008 | 0.976 | 1.000 |
| Had diarrhea in the last 2 weeks | 0.139 | 0.026 | 257 | 236 | 1.195 | 0.184 | 0.088 | 0.190 |
| Treated with ORS packets | 0.187 | 0.081 | 38 | 33 | 1.242 | 0.432 | 0.026 | 0.349 |
| Consulted medical personnel | 0.225 | 0.091 | 38 | 33 | 1.308 | 0.405 | 0.043 | 0.407 |
| Received BCG vaccination | 0.957 | 0.025 | 52 | 52 | 0.917 | 0.026 | 0.908 | 1.000 |
| Received DPT vaccination (3 doses) | 0.940 | 0.039 | 52 | 52 | 1.250 | 0.042 | 0.861 | 1.000 |
| Received polio vaccination (3 doses) | 0.960 | 0.024 | 52 | 52 | 0.933 | 0.025 | 0.911 | 1.000 |
| Received measles vaccination | 0.796 | 0.067 | 52 | 52 | 1.262 | 0.084 | 0.662 | 0.930 |
| Fully immunized | 0.715 | 0.058 | 52 | 52 | 0.973 | 0.081 | 0.599 | 0.831 |
| Weight-for-height ( $<-2$ SD) | 0.008 | 0.006 | 117 | 104 | 0.682 | 0.698 | 0.000 | 0.020 |
| Height-for-age (<-2 SD) | 0.079 | 0.026 | 117 | 104 | 1.013 | 0.323 | 0.028 | 0.131 |
| Weight-for-age (<-2 SD) | 0.030 | 0.021 | 117 | 104 | 1.293 | 0.695 | 0.000 | 0.071 |
| Children with severe anemia | 0.000 | 0.000 | 111 | 101 | NA | NA | 0.000 | 0.000 |
| Children with moderate anemia | 0.089 | 0.034 | 111 | 101 | 1.229 | 0.378 | 0.022 | 0.156 |
| Children with mild anemia | 0.219 | 0.045 | 111 | 101 | 1.113 | 0.207 | 0.129 | 0.310 |
| Total fertility rate (3 years) | 1.384 | 0.117 | NA | 4664 | 1.197 | 0.085 | 1.150 | 1.618 |
| Neonatal mortality rate (10 years) ${ }^{1}$ | 33.454 | 9.158 | 696 | 650 | 1.277 | 0.274 | 15.139 | 51.769 |
| Infant mortality rate (10 years) ${ }^{1}$ | 39.808 | 9.734 | 696 | 650 | 1.239 | 0.245 | 20.341 | 59.275 |
| Child mortality rate (10 years) ${ }^{1}$ | 3.816 | 1.888 | 697 | 651 | 0.839 | 0.495 | 0.040 | 7.592 |
| Under-five mortality rate(10 years) ${ }^{1}$ | $43.473$ | 9.901 | 697 | 651 | 1.225 | 0.228 | 23.670 | 63.276 |
| Postneonatal mortality rate(10 years) ${ }^{1}$ | 6.354 | 2.515 | 696 | 650 | 0.855 | 0.396 | 1.324 | 11.384 |
| ${ }^{1}$ Five years for the total rate NA = Not applicable |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |


| Table B. 13 Sampling errors for women - Others sample: Kazakhstan 1999 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Variable | Value <br> (R) | Stan- <br> dard <br> error <br> (SE) | Number of cases |  | Design effect (DEFT) | Relative error (SE/R) | Confidence intervals |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | (N) | (WN) |  |  | R-2SE | $\mathrm{R}+2 \mathrm{SE}$ |
| Urban residence | 0.534 | 0.041 | 660 | 760 | 2.119 | 0.077 | 0.452 | 0.616 |
| Primary/secondary education | 0.426 | 0.025 | 660 | 760 | 1.309 | 0.059 | 0.375 | 0.476 |
| Secondary-special education | 0.411 | 0.021 | 660 | 760 | 1.079 | 0.050 | 0.370 | 0.452 |
| Higher education | 0.163 | 0.014 | 660 | 760 | 0.955 | 0.084 | 0.136 | 0.191 |
| Never married (in union) | 0.200 | 0.015 | 660 | 760 | 0.980 | 0.076 | 0.169 | 0.230 |
| Currently married (in union) | 0.667 | 0.021 | 660 | 760 | 1.126 | 0.031 | 0.626 | 0.709 |
| Married before age 20 | 0.413 | 0.025 | 493 | 564 | 1.117 | 0.060 | 0.364 | 0.463 |
| Had first sexual intercourse before 18 | 0.163 | 0.017 | 493 | 564 | 1.037 | 0.106 | 0.128 | 0.197 |
| Children ever born | 1.818 | 0.067 | 660 | 760 | 1.112 | 0.037 | 1.683 | 1.952 |
| Children ever born to women over 40 | 2.672 | 0.142 | 178 | 196 | 1.197 | 0.053 | 2.389 | 2.956 |
| Children surviving | 1.701 | 0.058 | 660 | 760 | 1.071 | 0.034 | 1.584 | 1.818 |
| Knowing any contraceptive method | 0.998 | 0.002 | 428 | 507 | 0.715 | 0.002 | 0.994 | 1.000 |
| Knowing any modern contraceptive method | 0.996 | 0.002 | 428 | 507 | 0.742 | 0.002 | 0.992 | 1.000 |
| Ever used any contraceptive method | 0.910 | 0.017 | 428 | 507 | 1.246 | 0.019 | 0.875 | 0.944 |
| Currently using any method | 0.655 | 0.025 | 428 | 507 | 1.065 | 0.037 | 0.606 | 0.704 |
| Currently using a modern method | 0.477 | 0.028 | 428 | 507 | 1.163 | 0.059 | 0.421 | 0.533 |
| Currently using pill | 0.026 | 0.007 | 428 | 507 | 0.936 | 0.277 | 0.012 | 0.041 |
| Currently using IUD | 0.354 | 0.029 | 428 | 507 | 1.238 | 0.081 | 0.296 | 0.411 |
| Currently using condom | 0.040 | 0.010 | 428 | 507 | 1.040 | 0.246 | 0.020 | 0.060 |
| Currently using periodic abstinence | 0.054 | 0.012 | 428 | 507 | 1.119 | 0.227 | 0.029 | 0.078 |
| Currently using withdrawal | 0.059 | 0.016 | 428 | 507 | 1.440 | 0.280 | 0.026 | 0.091 |
| Using public sector source | 0.862 | 0.027 | 259 | 285 | 1.263 | 0.031 | 0.808 | 0.916 |
| Want no more children | 0.551 | 0.025 | 428 | 507 | 1.059 | 0.046 | 0.501 | 0.602 |
| Want to delay at least 2 years | 0.119 | 0.018 | 428 | 507 | 1.135 | 0.150 | 0.083 | 0.154 |
| Ideal number of children | 2.654 | 0.067 | 626 | 713 | 1.366 | 0.025 | 2.520 | 2.789 |
| $\mathrm{BMI}<18.5$ | 0.040 | 0.012 | 288 | 344 | 1.075 | 0.311 | 0.015 | 0.065 |
| BMI between 18.5 and 30.0 | 0.761 | 0.024 | 288 | 344 | 0.958 | 0.032 | 0.713 | 0.810 |
| BMI $>30.0$ | 0.199 | 0.023 | 288 | 344 | 0.997 | 0.118 | 0.152 | 0.246 |
| Weight-for-height ( $<-2$ SD) | $0.013$ | $0.007$ | 287 | 342 | 1.068 | 0.557 | 0.000 | 0.027 |
| Severe anemia | 0.005 | 0.005 | 290 | 354 | 1.211 | 0.986 | 0.000 | 0.015 |
| Moderate anemia | 0.071 | 0.017 | 290 | 354 | 1.115 | 0.237 | 0.037 | 0.105 |
| Mild anemia | 0.265 | 0.030 | 290 | 354 | 1.154 | 0.113 | 0.205 | 0.325 |
| Mother received medical care at birth | 1.000 | 0.000 | 158 | 196 | NA | 0.000 | 1.000 | 1.000 |
| Had diarrhea in the last 2 weeks | 0.112 | 0.035 | 151 | 185 | 1.434 | 0.316 | 0.041 | 0.183 |
| Treated with ORS packets | 0.328 | 0.113 | 18 | 21 | 1.020 | 0.344 | 0.102 | 0.554 |
| Consulted medical personnel | 0.229 | 0.104 | 18 | 21 | 1.050 | 0.454 | 0.021 | 0.437 |
| Received BCG vaccination | 1.000 | 0.000 | 22 | 21 | NA | 0.000 | 1.000 | 1.000 |
| Received DPT vaccination (3 doses) | 1.000 | 0.000 | 22 | 21 | NA | 0.000 | 1.000 | 1.000 |
| Received polio vaccination (3 doses) | 0.879 | 0.093 | 22 | 21 | 1.225 | 0.106 | 0.693 | 1.000 |
| Received measles vaccination | 0.895 | 0.061 | 22 | 21 | 0.863 | 0.069 | 0.772 | 1.000 |
| Fully immunized | 0.774 | 0.099 | 22 | 21 | 1.019 | 0.128 | 0.576 | 0.972 |
| Weight-for-height ( $<-2$ SD) | 0.015 | 0.013 | 67 | 91 | 0.932 | 0.847 | 0.000 | 0.041 |
| Height-for-age ( $<-2$ SD) | 0.050 | 0.026 | 67 | 91 | 1.088 | 0.524 | 0.000 | 0.103 |
| Weight-for-age (<-2 SD) | 0.020 | 0.013 | 67 | 91 | 0.828 | 0.651 | 0.000 | 0.046 |
| Children with severe anemia | 0.000 | 0.000 | 68 | 92 | NA | NA | 0.000 | 0.000 |
| Children with moderate anemia | 0.120 | 0.042 | 68 | 92 | 1.143 | 0.346 | 0.037 | 0.203 |
| Children with mild anemia | 0.119 | 0.027 | 68 | 92 | 0.782 | 0.225 | 0.065 | 0.172 |
| Total fertility rate (3 years) | 1.633 | 0.249 | NA | 2198 | 1.638 | 0.153 | 1.134 | 2.132 |
| Neonatal mortality rate (10 years) ${ }^{1}$ | 30.371 | 9.157 | 441 | 546 | 1.211 | 0.302 | 12.057 | 48.686 |
| Infant mortality rate (10 years) ${ }^{1}$ | 59.031 | 13.744 | 441 | 546 | 1.211 | 0.233 | 31.543 | 86.519 |
| Child mortality rate (10 years) ${ }^{1}$ | 6.565 | 3.795 | 443 | 548 | 1.104 | 0.578 | 0.000 | 14.156 |
| Under-five mortality rate(10 years) ${ }^{1}$ | 65.208 | 14.008 | 443 | 548 | 1.175 | 0.215 | 37.191 | 93.225 |
| Postneonatal mortality rate(10 years) ${ }^{1}$ | 28.660 | 8.964 | 441 | 546 | 1.053 | 0.313 | 10.732 | 46.587 |
| ${ }^{1}$ Five years for the total rate NA = Not applicable |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |



Table B. 15 Sampling errors for men - Urban sample: Kazakhstan 1999

| Variable | Value <br> (R) | Stan- <br> dard <br> error <br> (SE) | Number of cases |  | Design effect (DEFT) | Relative error (SE/R) | Confidence intervals |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | Un- | Weight- |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | (N) | (WN) |  |  | R-2SE | $\mathrm{R}+2 \mathrm{SE}$ |
| Urban residence | 1.000 | 0.000 | 850 | 790 | NA | 0.000 | 1.000 | 1.000 |
| Primary/secondary education | 0.384 | 0.018 | 850 | 790 | 1.069 | 0.046 | 0.349 | 0.420 |
| Secondary-special education | 0.431 | 0.020 | 850 | 790 | 1.166 | 0.046 | 0.392 | 0.471 |
| Higher education | 0.185 | 0.015 | 850 | 790 | 1.125 | 0.081 | 0.155 | 0.215 |
| Never married (in union) | 0.271 | 0.021 | 850 | 790 | 1.395 | 0.078 | 0.229 | 0.314 |
| Currently married (in union) | 0.669 | 0.021 | 850 | 790 | 1.278 | 0.031 | 0.628 | 0.711 |
| Knowing any contraceptive method | 0.997 | 0.002 | 565 | 529 | 0.762 | 0.002 | 0.993 | 1.000 |
| Knowing any modern contraceptive method | 0.992 | 0.003 | 565 | 529 | 0.701 | 0.003 | 0.987 | 0.997 |
| Ever used any contraceptive method | 0.879 | 0.017 | 565 | 529 | 1.259 | 0.020 | 0.845 | 0.914 |
| Currently using any method | 0.659 | 0.022 | 565 | 529 | 1.083 | 0.033 | 0.615 | 0.702 |
| Currently using a modern method | 0.573 | 0.027 | 565 | 529 | 1.286 | 0.047 | 0.519 | 0.626 |
| Currently using pill | 0.040 | 0.009 | 565 | 529 | 1.125 | 0.233 | 0.021 | 0.058 |
| Currently using IUD | 0.364 | 0.026 | 565 | 529 | 1.272 | 0.071 | 0.313 | 0.416 |
| Currently using injectables | 0.000 | 0.000 | 565 | 529 | NA | NA | 0.000 | 0.000 |
| Currently using Norplant | 0.000 | 0.000 | 565 | 529 | NA | NA | 0.000 | 0.000 |
| Currently using condom | 0.143 | 0.022 | 565 | 529 | 1.481 | 0.152 | 0.100 | 0.187 |
| Currently using female sterilization | 0.026 | 0.008 | 565 | 529 | 1.236 | 0.322 | 0.009 | 0.042 |
| Currently using male sterilization | 0.000 | 0.000 | 565 | 529 | NA | NA | 0.000 | 0.000 |
| Currently using periodic abstinence | 0.042 | 0.010 | 565 | 529 | 1.199 | 0.242 | 0.022 | 0.062 |
| Currently using withdrawal | 0.021 | 0.008 | 565 | 529 | 1.364 | 0.394 | 0.004 | 0.037 |
| Want no more children | 0.604 | 0.024 | 565 | 529 | 1.159 | 0.039 | 0.557 | 0.652 |
| Want to delay at least 2 years | 0.138 | 0.017 | 565 | 529 | 1.159 | 0.122 | 0.104 | 0.171 |
| Ideal number of children | 3.026 | 0.081 | 735 | 660 | 1.394 | 0.027 | 2.864 | 3.189 |
| $\overline{\mathrm{NA}}=$ Not applicable |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |


| Table B. 16 Sampling errors for men - Rural sample: Kazakhstan 1999 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Number of cases |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Value <br> (R) | Stan- <br> dard <br> error <br> (SE) | Unweighted ( N ) | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Weight- } \\ & \text { ed } \\ & (W N) \end{aligned}$ | Design effect (DEFT) | Relative error (SE/R) | Confidence intervals |  |
| Variable |  |  |  |  |  |  | R-2SE | $\mathrm{R}+2 \mathrm{SE}$ |
| Urban residence | 0.000 | 0.000 | 590 | 650 | NA | NA | 0.000 | 0.000 |
| Primary/secondary education | 0.550 | 0.028 | 590 | 650 | 1.362 | 0.051 | 0.494 | 0.606 |
| Secondary-special education | 0.369 | 0.027 | 590 | 650 | 1.346 | 0.073 | 0.315 | 0.423 |
| Higher education | 0.081 | 0.010 | 590 | 650 | 0.929 | 0.129 | 0.060 | 0.102 |
| Never married (in union) | 0.337 | 0.026 | 590 | 650 | 1.326 | 0.077 | 0.285 | 0.389 |
| Currently married (in union) | 0.622 | 0.026 | 590 | 650 | 1.289 | 0.041 | 0.570 | 0.673 |
| Knowing any contraceptive method | 0.999 | 0.001 | 373 | 404 | 0.718 | 0.001 | 0.996 | 1.000 |
| Knowing any modern contraceptive method | 0.999 | 0.001 | 373 | 404 | 0.718 | 0.001 | 0.996 | 1.000 |
| Ever used any contraceptive method | 0.790 | 0.032 | 373 | 404 | 1.495 | 0.040 | 0.727 | 0.853 |
| Currently using any method | 0.593 | 0.036 | 373 | 404 | 1.411 | 0.061 | 0.521 | 0.664 |
| Currently using a modern method | 0.511 | 0.035 | 373 | 404 | 1.333 | 0.068 | 0.441 | 0.580 |
| Currently using pill | 0.008 | 0.005 | 373 | 404 | 1.183 | 0.680 | 0.000 | 0.019 |
| Currently using IUD | 0.404 | 0.029 | 373 | 404 | 1.147 | 0.072 | 0.346 | 0.463 |
| Currently using injectables | 0.003 | 0.003 | 373 | 404 | 1.113 | 1.012 | 0.000 | 0.010 |
| Currently using Norplant | 0.000 | 0.000 | 373 | 404 | NA | NA | 0.000 | 0.000 |
| Currently using condom | 0.058 | 0.020 | 373 | 404 | 1.612 | 0.336 | 0.019 | 0.097 |
| Currently using female sterilization | 0.031 | 0.014 | 373 | 404 | 1.573 | 0.452 | 0.003 | 0.060 |
| Currently using male sterilization | 0.005 | 0.005 | 373 | 404 | 1.388 | 0.997 | 0.000 | 0.016 |
| Currently using periodic abstinence | 0.024 | 0.010 | 373 | 404 | 1.292 | 0.425 | 0.004 | 0.045 |
| Currently using withdrawal | 0.035 | 0.013 | 373 | 404 | 1.346 | 0.368 | 0.009 | 0.060 |
| Want no more children | 0.495 | 0.027 | 373 | 404 | 1.040 | 0.054 | 0.441 | 0.549 |
| Want to delay at least 2 years | 0.126 | 0.013 | 373 | 404 | 0.762 | 0.104 | 0.100 | 0.152 |
| Ideal number of children | 3.548 | 0.123 | 381 | 431 | 1.253 | 0.035 | 3.301 | 3.795 |
| $\overline{\mathrm{NA}}=$ Not applicable |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

Table B. 17 Sampling errors for men - Almaty City sample: Kazakhstan 1999

| Variable | Value <br> (R) | Stan- <br> dard <br> error <br> (SE) | Number of cases |  | Design effect (DEFT) | Relative error (SE/R) | Confidence intervals |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | Un- | Weight- |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | (N) | (WN) |  |  | R-2SE | $\mathrm{R}+2 \mathrm{SE}$ |
| Urban residence | 1.000 | 0.000 | 168 | 90 | NA | 0.000 | 1.000 | 1.000 |
| Primary/secondary education | 0.351 | 0.028 | 168 | 90 | 0.752 | 0.079 | 0.296 | 0.407 |
| Secondary-special education | 0.310 | 0.031 | 168 | 90 | 0.873 | 0.101 | 0.247 | 0.372 |
| Higher education | 0.339 | 0.042 | 168 | 90 | 1.139 | 0.123 | 0.256 | 0.423 |
| Never married (in union) | 0.268 | 0.036 | 168 | 90 | 1.050 | 0.134 | 0.196 | 0.340 |
| Currently married (in union) | 0.649 | 0.037 | 168 | 90 | 1.007 | 0.057 | 0.574 | 0.723 |
| Knowing any contraceptive method | 1.000 | 0.000 | 109 | 58 | NA | 0.000 | 1.000 | 1.000 |
| Knowing any modern contraceptive method | 1.000 | 0.000 | 109 | 58 | NA | 0.000 | 1.000 | 1.000 |
| Ever used any contraceptive method | 0.908 | 0.029 | 109 | 58 | 1.046 | 0.032 | 0.850 | 0.966 |
| Currently using any method | 0.679 | 0.050 | 109 | 58 | 1.112 | 0.074 | 0.579 | 0.779 |
| Currently using a modern method | 0.633 | 0.041 | 109 | 58 | 0.893 | 0.065 | 0.550 | 0.716 |
| Currently using pill | 0.046 | 0.020 | 109 | 58 | 1.011 | 0.444 | 0.005 | 0.087 |
| Currently using IUD | 0.284 | 0.040 | 109 | 58 | 0.928 | 0.142 | 0.204 | 0.365 |
| Currently using injectables | 0.000 | 0.000 | 109 | 58 | NA | NA | 0.000 | 0.000 |
| Currently using Norplant | 0.000 | 0.000 | 109 | 58 | NA | NA | 0.000 | 0.000 |
| Currently using condom | 0.294 | 0.045 | 109 | 58 | 1.030 | 0.154 | 0.203 | 0.384 |
| Currently using female sterilization | 0.009 | 0.009 | 109 | 58 | 0.976 | 0.976 | 0.000 | 0.027 |
| Currently using male sterilization | 0.000 | 0.000 | 109 | 58 | NA | NA | 0.000 | 0.000 |
| Currently using periodic abstinence | 0.028 | 0.015 | 109 | 58 | 0.984 | 0.563 | 0.000 | 0.059 |
| Currently using withdrawal | 0.000 | 0.000 | 109 | 58 | NA | NA | 0.000 | 0.000 |
| Want no more children | 0.523 | 0.045 | 109 | 58 | 0.935 | 0.086 | 0.433 | 0.613 |
| Want to delay at least 2 years | 0.211 | 0.043 | 109 | 58 | 1.094 | 0.204 | 0.125 | 0.297 |
| Ideal number of children | 2.695 | 0.133 | 151 | 81 | 1.275 | 0.049 | 2.430 | 2.961 |
| $\overline{\mathrm{NA}}=$ Not applicable |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |


| Table B. 18 Sampling errors for men - South sample: Kazakhstan 1999 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Variable | Number of cases |  |  |  |  | Relative error (SE/R) | Confidence intervals |  |
|  | Value <br> (R) | Stan- <br> dard error (SE) | Un- | Weight- | Design |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | (N) | (WN) | (DEFT) |  | R-2SE | $\mathrm{R}+2 \mathrm{SE}$ |
| Urban residence | 0.373 | 0.056 | 281 | 426 | 1.941 | 0.150 | 0.261 | 0.485 |
| Primary/secondary education | 0.533 | 0.034 | 281 | 426 | 1.155 | 0.065 | 0.464 | 0.602 |
| Secondary-special education | 0.360 | 0.037 | 281 | 426 | 1.286 | 0.103 | 0.286 | 0.433 |
| Higher education | 0.107 | 0.017 | 281 | 426 | 0.895 | 0.154 | 0.074 | 0.140 |
| Never married (in union) | 0.341 | 0.036 | 281 | 426 | 1.258 | 0.105 | 0.269 | 0.412 |
| Currently married (in union) | 0.625 | 0.036 | 281 | 426 | 1.248 | 0.058 | 0.552 | 0.697 |
| Knowing any contraceptive method | 1.000 | 0.000 | 175 | 266 | NA | 0.000 | 1.000 | 1.000 |
| Knowing any modern contraceptive method | 1.000 | 0.000 | 175 | 266 | NA | 0.000 | 1.000 | 1.000 |
| Ever used any contraceptive method | 0.801 | 0.039 | 175 | 266 | 1.286 | 0.049 | 0.723 | 0.879 |
| Currently using any method | 0.530 | 0.040 | 175 | 266 | 1.052 | 0.075 | 0.450 | 0.610 |
| Currently using a modern method | 0.460 | 0.041 | 175 | 266 | 1.073 | 0.088 | 0.379 | 0.541 |
| Currently using pill | 0.015 | 0.011 | 175 | 266 | 1.160 | 0.701 | 0.000 | 0.037 |
| Currently using IUD | 0.367 | 0.035 | 175 | 266 | 0.968 | 0.096 | 0.296 | 0.437 |
| Currently using injectables | 0.005 | 0.005 | 175 | 266 | 0.945 | 1.018 | 0.000 | 0.015 |
| Currently using Norplant | 0.000 | 0.000 | 175 | 266 | NA | NA | 0.000 | 0.000 |
| Currently using condom | 0.048 | 0.020 | 175 | 266 | 1.233 | 0.417 | 0.008 | 0.088 |
| Currently using female sterilization | 0.025 | 0.018 | 175 | 266 | 1.497 | 0.704 | 0.000 | 0.061 |
| Currently using male sterilization | 0.000 | 0.000 | 175 | 266 | NA | NA | 0.000 | 0.000 |
| Currently using periodic abstinence | 0.023 | 0.014 | 175 | 266 | 1.206 | 0.603 | 0.000 | 0.050 |
| Currently using withdrawal | 0.032 | 0.012 | 175 | 266 | 0.914 | 0.379 | 0.008 | 0.057 |
| Want no more children | 0.393 | 0.032 | 175 | 266 | 0.878 | 0.083 | 0.328 | 0.458 |
| Want to delay at least 2 years | 0.150 | 0.022 | 175 | 266 | 0.810 | 0.146 | 0.106 | 0.194 |
| Ideal number of children | 3.899 | 0.245 | 119 | 188 | 1.297 | 0.063 | 3.408 | 4.390 |
| NA = Not applicable |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |


| Table B. 19 Sampling errors for men - West sample: Kazakhstan 1999 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Variable | Value <br> (R) | Standard error (SE) | Number of cases |  | Design effect (DEFT) | Relative error (SE/R) | Confidence intervals |  |
|  |  |  | Un- | Weight- |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | (N) | (WN) |  |  | R-2SE | $\mathrm{R}+2 \mathrm{~S} E$ |
| Urban residence | 0.571 | 0.037 | 264 | 182 | 1.210 | 0.065 | 0.498 | 0.645 |
| Primary/secondary education | 0.514 | 0.024 | 264 | 182 | 0.777 | 0.047 | 0.466 | 0.562 |
| Secondary-special education | 0.368 | 0.028 | 264 | 182 | 0.946 | 0.076 | 0.312 | 0.424 |
| Higher education | 0.118 | 0.026 | 264 | 182 | 1.329 | 0.224 | 0.065 | 0.171 |
| Never married (in union) | 0.304 | 0.023 | 264 | 182 | 0.824 | 0.077 | 0.257 | 0.351 |
| Currently married (in union) | 0.670 | 0.021 | 264 | 182 | 0.721 | 0.031 | 0.628 | 0.711 |
| Knowing any contraceptive method | 0.995 | 0.005 | 178 | 122 | 0.909 | 0.005 | 0.986 | 1.000 |
| Knowing any modern contraceptive method | 0.995 | 0.005 | 178 | 122 | 0.909 | 0.005 | 0.986 | 1.000 |
| Ever used any contraceptive method | 0.853 | 0.028 | 178 | 122 | 1.049 | 0.033 | 0.798 | 0.909 |
| Currently using any method | 0.654 | 0.047 | 178 | 122 | 1.317 | 0.072 | 0.559 | 0.748 |
| Currently using a modern method | 0.592 | 0.045 | 178 | 122 | 1.229 | 0.077 | 0.501 | 0.683 |
| Currently using pill | 0.014 | 0.010 | 178 | 122 | 1.118 | 0.709 | 0.000 | 0.034 |
| Currently using IUD | 0.444 | 0.041 | 178 | 122 | 1.086 | 0.091 | 0.363 | 0.526 |
| Currently using injectables | 0.000 | 0.000 | 178 | 122 | NA | NA | 0.000 | 0.000 |
| Currently using Norplant | 0.000 | 0.000 | 178 | 122 | NA | NA | 0.000 | 0.000 |
| Currently using condom | 0.115 | 0.019 | 178 | 122 | 0.778 | 0.162 | 0.078 | 0.152 |
| Currently using female sterilization | 0.018 | 0.010 | 178 | 122 | 1.021 | 0.560 | 0.000 | 0.039 |
| Currently using male sterilization | 0.000 | 0.000 | 178 | 122 | NA | NA | 0.000 | 0.000 |
| Currently using periodic abstinence | 0.014 | 0.010 | 178 | 122 | 1.162 | 0.743 | 0.000 | 0.034 |
| Currently using withdrawal | 0.000 | 0.000 | 178 | 122 | NA | NA | 0.000 | 0.000 |
| Want no more children | 0.571 | 0.043 | 178 | 122 | 1.145 | 0.075 | 0.486 | 0.656 |
| Want to delay at least 2 years | 0.103 | 0.026 | 178 | 122 | 1.121 | 0.249 | 0.052 | 0.154 |
| Ideal number of children | 3.757 | 0.235 | 171 | 117 | 1.399 | 0.063 | 3.286 | 4.228 |

Table B. 20 Sampling errors for men - Central sample: Kazakhstan 1999

| Variable | Value <br> (R) | Stan- <br> dard <br> error <br> (SE) | Number of cases |  | Design effect (DEFT) | Relative error (SE/R) | Confidence intervals |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | Un- | Weight- |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | (N) | (WN) |  |  | R-2SE | $\mathrm{R}+2 \mathrm{SE}$ |
| Urban residence | 0.865 | 0.022 | 275 | 139 | 1.048 | 0.025 | 0.821 | 0.908 |
| Primary/secondary education | 0.388 | 0.027 | 275 | 139 | 0.930 | 0.071 | 0.333 | 0.443 |
| Secondary-special education | 0.435 | 0.032 | 275 | 139 | 1.060 | 0.073 | 0.372 | 0.498 |
| Higher education | 0.177 | 0.029 | 275 | 139 | 1.258 | 0.164 | 0.119 | 0.235 |
| Never married (in union) | 0.254 | 0.033 | 275 | 139 | 1.264 | 0.131 | 0.187 | 0.320 |
| Currently married (in union) | 0.662 | 0.034 | 275 | 139 | 1.181 | 0.051 | 0.595 | 0.730 |
| Knowing any contraceptive method | 0.988 | 0.008 | 182 | 92 | 1.051 | 0.008 | 0.972 | 1.000 |
| Knowing any modern contraceptive method | 0.960 | 0.014 | 182 | 92 | 0.958 | 0.014 | 0.933 | 0.988 |
| Ever used any contraceptive method | 0.908 | 0.018 | 182 | 92 | 0.817 | 0.019 | 0.873 | 0.943 |
| Currently using any method | 0.495 | 0.035 | 182 | 92 | 0.948 | 0.071 | 0.425 | 0.566 |
| Currently using a modern method | 0.435 | 0.039 | 182 | 92 | 1.065 | 0.090 | 0.357 | 0.514 |
| Currently using pill | 0.046 | 0.018 | 182 | 92 | 1.185 | 0.401 | 0.009 | 0.083 |
| Currently using IUD | 0.301 | 0.040 | 182 | 92 | 1.163 | 0.132 | 0.222 | 0.381 |
| Currently using injectables | 0.000 | 0.000 | 182 | 92 | NA | NA | 0.000 | 0.000 |
| Currently using Norplant | 0.000 | 0.000 | 182 | 92 | NA | NA | 0.000 | 0.000 |
| Currently using condom | 0.072 | 0.021 | 182 | 92 | 1.067 | 0.284 | 0.031 | 0.114 |
| Currently using female sterilization | 0.016 | 0.009 | 182 | 92 | 0.981 | 0.578 | 0.000 | 0.034 |
| Currently using male sterilization | 0.000 | 0.000 | 182 | 92 | NA | NA | 0.000 | 0.000 |
| Currently using periodic abstinence | 0.025 | 0.015 | 182 | 92 | 1.278 | 0.595 | 0.000 | 0.054 |
| Currently using withdrawal | 0.035 | 0.011 | 182 | 92 | 0.833 | 0.325 | 0.012 | 0.058 |
| Want no more children | 0.577 | 0.043 | 182 | 92 | 1.171 | 0.074 | 0.491 | 0.663 |
| Want to delay at least 2 years | 0.155 | 0.023 | 182 | 92 | 0.862 | 0.149 | 0.109 | 0.202 |
| Ideal number of children | 2.993 | 0.090 | 265 | 135 | 0.907 | 0.030 | 2.813 | 3.174 |
| $\overline{\mathrm{NA}}=$ Not applicable |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

Table B. 21 Sampling errors for men - North sample: Kazakhstan 1999

| Variable | Value <br> (R) | Stan- <br> dard <br> error <br> (SE) | Number of cases |  | Design effect (DEFT) | Relative error (SE/R) | Confidence intervals |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | Un- | Weight- |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | (N) | (WN) |  |  | R-2SE | $\mathrm{R}+2 \mathrm{~S} E$ |
| Urban residence | 0.466 | 0.043 | 172 | 396 | 1.122 | 0.092 | 0.380 | 0.551 |
| Primary/secondary education | 0.441 | 0.032 | 172 | 396 | 0.839 | 0.072 | 0.377 | 0.504 |
| Secondary-special education | 0.442 | 0.034 | 172 | 396 | 0.894 | 0.077 | 0.375 | 0.510 |
| Higher education | 0.117 | 0.017 | 172 | 396 | 0.704 | 0.148 | 0.082 | 0.152 |
| Never married (in union) | 0.287 | 0.035 | 172 | 396 | 1.004 | 0.121 | 0.218 | 0.357 |
| Currently married (in union) | 0.656 | 0.036 | 172 | 396 | 0.977 | 0.054 | 0.585 | 0.727 |
| Knowing any contraceptive method | 1.000 | 0.000 | 112 | 260 | NA | 0.000 | 1.000 | 1.000 |
| Knowing any modern contraceptive method | 1.000 | 0.000 | 112 | 260 | NA | 0.000 | 1.000 | 1.000 |
| Ever used any contraceptive method | 0.817 | 0.040 | 112 | 260 | 1.084 | 0.049 | 0.738 | 0.897 |
| Currently using any method | 0.719 | 0.044 | 112 | 260 | 1.020 | 0.061 | 0.632 | 0.806 |
| Currently using a modern method | 0.590 | 0.054 | 112 | 260 | 1.155 | 0.091 | 0.483 | 0.698 |
| Currently using pill | 0.018 | 0.012 | 112 | 260 | 0.964 | 0.675 | 0.000 | 0.042 |
| Currently using IUD | 0.400 | 0.045 | 112 | 260 | 0.974 | 0.113 | 0.309 | 0.490 |
| Currently using injectables | 0.000 | 0.000 | 112 | 260 | NA | NA | 0.000 | 0.000 |
| Currently using Norplant | 0.000 | 0.000 | 112 | 260 | NA | NA | 0.000 | 0.000 |
| Currently using condom | 0.112 | 0.044 | 112 | 260 | 1.478 | 0.394 | 0.024 | 0.201 |
| Currently using female sterilization | 0.052 | 0.020 | 112 | 260 | 0.932 | 0.377 | 0.013 | 0.092 |
| Currently using male sterilization | 0.008 | 0.008 | 112 | 260 | 0.948 | 0.998 | 0.000 | 0.024 |
| Currently using periodic abstinence | 0.056 | 0.019 | 112 | 260 | 0.858 | 0.334 | 0.019 | 0.094 |
| Currently using withdrawal | 0.044 | 0.021 | 112 | 260 | 1.100 | 0.486 | 0.001 | 0.087 |
| Want no more children | 0.670 | 0.041 | 112 | 260 | 0.928 | 0.062 | 0.588 | 0.753 |
| Want to delay at least 2 years | 0.098 | 0.020 | 112 | 260 | 0.721 | 0.207 | 0.058 | 0.139 |
| Ideal number of children | 3.070 | 0.113 | 172 | 396 | 0.953 | 0.037 | 2.845 | 3.295 |
| NA = Not applicable |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |


| Table B. 22 Sampling errors for men - East sample: Kazakhstan 1999 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Number of cases |  |  |  |  | Confidence intervals |  |  |
| Variable | Value <br> (R) | dard error (SE) | Unweighted ( N ) | Weighted (WN) | Design effect (DEFT) | tive error (SE/R) | Value- <br> R-2SE | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Value }+ \\ & \overline{\mathrm{R}+2 \mathrm{SE}} \end{aligned}$ |
| Urban residence | 0.642 | 0.024 | 280 | 207 | 0.822 | 0.037 | 0.595 | 0.689 |
| Primary/secondary education | 0.388 | 0.032 | 280 | 207 | 1.098 | 0.083 | 0.324 | 0.452 |
| Secondary-special education | 0.468 | 0.023 | 280 | 207 | 0.773 | 0.049 | 0.422 | 0.514 |
| Higher education | 0.144 | 0.028 | 280 | 207 | 1.341 | 0.196 | 0.087 | 0.200 |
| Never married (in union) | 0.289 | 0.032 | 280 | 207 | 1.185 | 0.111 | 0.225 | 0.353 |
| Currently married (in union) | 0.651 | 0.030 | 280 | 207 | 1.036 | 0.045 | 0.592 | 0.710 |
| Knowing any contraceptive method | 0.996 | 0.004 | 182 | 135 | 0.846 | 0.004 | 0.988 | 1.000 |
| Knowing any modern contraceptive method | 0.996 | 0.004 | 182 | 135 | 0.846 | 0.004 | 0.988 | 1.000 |
| Ever used any contraceptive method | 0.878 | 0.029 | 182 | 135 | 1.170 | 0.032 | 0.821 | 0.935 |
| Currently using any method | 0.706 | 0.043 | 182 | 135 | 1.285 | 0.062 | 0.620 | 0.793 |
| Currently using a modern method | 0.625 | 0.044 | 182 | 135 | 1.225 | 0.071 | 0.537 | 0.713 |
| Currently using pill | 0.051 | 0.017 | 182 | 135 | 1.018 | 0.327 | 0.018 | 0.084 |
| Currently using IUD | 0.416 | 0.056 | 182 | 135 | 1.515 | 0.133 | 0.305 | 0.527 |
| Currently using injectables | 0.000 | 0.000 | 182 | 135 | NA | NA | 0.000 | 0.000 |
| Currently using Norplant | 0.000 | 0.000 | 182 | 135 | NA | NA | 0.000 | 0.000 |
| Currently using condom | 0.146 | 0.027 | 182 | 135 | 1.019 | 0.183 | 0.093 | 0.199 |
| Currently using female sterilization | 0.013 | 0.009 | 182 | 135 | 1.061 | 0.700 | 0.000 | 0.030 |
| Currently using male sterilization | 0.000 | 0.000 | 182 | 135 | NA | NA | 0.000 | 0.000 |
| Currently using periodic abstinence | 0.042 | 0.016 | 182 | 135 | 1.048 | 0.371 | 0.011 | 0.074 |
| Currently using withdrawal | 0.013 | 0.009 | 182 | 135 | 1.083 | 0.715 | 0.000 | 0.030 |
| Want no more children | 0.651 | 0.043 | 182 | 135 | 1.227 | 0.067 | 0.564 | 0.738 |
| Want to delay at least 2 years | 0.142 | 0.035 | 182 | 135 | 1.345 | 0.246 | 0.072 | 0.212 |
| Ideal number of children | 2.964 | 0.133 | 238 | 174 | 1.450 | 0.045 | 2.697 | 3.231 |
| NA = Not applicable |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

Table B. 23 Sampling errors for men - Kazak sample: Kazakhstan 1999

| Variable | Value <br> (R) | Stan- <br> dard <br> error <br> (SE) | Number of cases |  | Design effect (DEFT) | Relative error (SE/R) | Confidence intervals |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | Un- | Weight- |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | ( N ) | (WN) |  |  | R-2SE | $\mathrm{R}+2 \mathrm{SE}$ |
| Urban residence | 0.440 | 0.036 | 761 | 747 | 1.972 | 0.081 | 0.369 | 0.511 |
| Primary/secondary education | 0.514 | 0.023 | 761 | 747 | 1.243 | 0.044 | 0.469 | 0.559 |
| Secondary-special education | 0.342 | 0.022 | 761 | 747 | 1.253 | 0.063 | 0.298 | 0.385 |
| Higher education | 0.144 | 0.015 | 761 | 747 | 1.140 | 0.101 | 0.115 | 0.173 |
| Never married (in union) | 0.345 | 0.021 | 761 | 747 | 1.223 | 0.061 | 0.303 | 0.388 |
| Currently married (in union) | 0.614 | 0.021 | 761 | 747 | 1.178 | 0.034 | 0.572 | 0.655 |
| Knowing any contraceptive method | 0.998 | 0.002 | 483 | 458 | 0.776 | 0.002 | 0.994 | 1.000 |
| Knowing any modern contraceptive method | 0.994 | 0.002 | 483 | 458 | 0.679 | 0.002 | 0.989 | 0.999 |
| Ever used any contraceptive method | 0.785 | 0.020 | 483 | 458 | 1.084 | 0.026 | 0.744 | 0.826 |
| Currently using any method | 0.580 | 0.025 | 483 | 458 | 1.122 | 0.043 | 0.530 | 0.631 |
| Currently using a modern method | 0.509 | 0.027 | 483 | 458 | 1.184 | 0.053 | 0.455 | 0.563 |
| Currently using pill | 0.018 | 0.008 | 483 | 458 | 1.307 | 0.445 | 0.002 | 0.033 |
| Currently using IUD | 0.403 | 0.027 | 483 | 458 | 1.207 | 0.067 | 0.349 | 0.457 |
| Currently using injectables | 0.003 | 0.003 | 483 | 458 | 1.187 | 1.010 | 0.000 | 0.009 |
| Currently using Norplant | 0.000 | 0.000 | 483 | 458 | NA | NA | 0.000 | 0.000 |
| Currently using condom | 0.068 | 0.012 | 483 | 458 | 1.084 | 0.183 | 0.043 | 0.092 |
| Currently using female sterilization | 0.017 | 0.010 | 483 | 458 | 1.727 | 0.591 | 0.000 | 0.038 |
| Currently using male sterilization | 0.000 | 0.000 | 483 | 458 | NA | NA | 0.000 | 0.000 |
| Currently using periodic abstinence | 0.041 | 0.013 | 483 | 458 | 1.395 | 0.307 | 0.016 | 0.066 |
| Currently using withdrawal | 0.014 | 0.007 | 483 | 458 | 1.217 | 0.459 | 0.001 | 0.028 |
| Want no more children | 0.487 | 0.026 | 483 | 458 | 1.147 | 0.054 | 0.435 | 0.539 |
| Want to delay at least 2 years | 0.154 | 0.015 | 483 | 458 | 0.900 | 0.096 | 0.124 | 0.183 |
| Ideal number of children | 3.864 | 0.125 | 509 | 467 | 1.425 | 0.032 | 3.613 | 4.115 |
| $\overline{\mathrm{NA}}=$ Not applicable |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

Table B. 24 Sampling errors for men - Russian sample: Kazakhstan 1999

| Variable | Value <br> (R) | Stan- <br> dard <br> error <br> (SE) | Number of cases |  | Design effect (DEFT) | Relative error (SE/R) | Confidence intervals |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | Un- | Weight- |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | (N) | (WN) |  |  | R-2SE | $\mathrm{R}+2 \mathrm{SE}$ |
| Urban residence | 0.728 | 0.039 | 468 | 460 | 1.914 | 0.054 | 0.649 | 0.807 |
| Primary/secondary education | 0.353 | 0.025 | 468 | 460 | 1.138 | 0.071 | 0.303 | 0.404 |
| Secondary-special education | 0.510 | 0.028 | 468 | 460 | 1.204 | 0.055 | 0.454 | 0.565 |
| Higher education | 0.137 | 0.019 | 468 | 460 | 1.169 | 0.136 | 0.100 | 0.174 |
| Never married (in union) | 0.281 | 0.027 | 468 | 460 | 1.286 | 0.095 | 0.228 | 0.335 |
| Currently married (in union) | 0.662 | 0.028 | 468 | 460 | 1.293 | 0.043 | 0.605 | 0.718 |
| Knowing any contraceptive method | 0.997 | 0.002 | 307 | 304 | 0.726 | 0.002 | 0.992 | 1.000 |
| Knowing any modern contraceptive method | 0.993 | 0.003 | 307 | 304 | 0.721 | 0.003 | 0.987 | 1.000 |
| Ever used any contraceptive method | 0.886 | 0.025 | 307 | 304 | 1.399 | 0.029 | 0.835 | 0.937 |
| Currently using any method | 0.684 | 0.032 | 307 | 304 | 1.218 | 0.047 | 0.619 | 0.749 |
| Currently using a modern method | 0.553 | 0.041 | 307 | 304 | 1.428 | 0.073 | 0.472 | 0.634 |
| Currently using pill | 0.035 | 0.010 | 307 | 304 | 0.997 | 0.300 | 0.014 | 0.056 |
| Currently using IUD | 0.338 | 0.040 | 307 | 304 | 1.464 | 0.117 | 0.259 | 0.417 |
| Currently using injectables | 0.000 | 0.000 | 307 | 304 | NA | NA | 0.000 | 0.000 |
| Currently using Norplant | 0.000 | 0.000 | 307 | 304 | NA | NA | 0.000 | 0.000 |
| Currently using condom | 0.151 | 0.023 | 307 | 304 | 1.105 | 0.150 | 0.106 | 0.196 |
| Currently using female sterilization | 0.029 | 0.005 | 307 | 304 | 0.552 | 0.182 | 0.018 | 0.040 |
| Currently using male sterilization | 0.000 | 0.000 | 307 | 304 | NA | NA | 0.000 | 0.000 |
| Currently using periodic abstinence | 0.037 | 0.015 | 307 | 304 | 1.409 | 0.412 | 0.007 | 0.067 |
| Currently using withdrawal | 0.049 | 0.020 | 307 | 304 | 1.595 | 0.402 | 0.010 | 0.088 |
| Want no more children | 0.666 | 0.030 | 307 | 304 | 1.118 | 0.045 | 0.606 | 0.727 |
| Want to delay at least 2 years | 0.105 | 0.018 | 307 | 304 | 1.055 | 0.176 | 0.068 | 0.142 |
| Ideal number of children | 2.604 | 0.066 | 423 | 423 | 1.155 | 0.025 | 2.473 | 2.736 |
| NA = Not applicable |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

Table B. 25 Sampling errors for men - Others sample: Kazakhstan 1999

| Variable | Value <br> (R) | Stan- <br> dard <br> error <br> (SE) | Number of cases |  | Design effect (DEFT) | Relative error (SE/R) | Confidence intervals |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | Un- | Weight- |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | ( N ) | (WN) |  |  | R-2SE | $\overline{\mathrm{R}+2 \mathrm{~S}} \mathrm{E}$ |
| Urban residence | 0.543 | 0.053 | 211 | 234 | 1.551 | 0.098 | 0.437 | 0.650 |
| Primary/secondary education | 0.491 | 0.043 | 211 | 234 | 1.254 | 0.088 | 0.404 | 0.577 |
| Secondary-special education | 0.390 | 0.044 | 211 | 234 | 1.293 | 0.111 | 0.303 | 0.478 |
| Higher education | 0.119 | 0.025 | 211 | 234 | 1.122 | 0.211 | 0.068 | 0.169 |
| Never married (in union) | 0.198 | 0.034 | 211 | 234 | 1.254 | 0.174 | 0.129 | 0.267 |
| Currently married (in union) | 0.730 | 0.039 | 211 | 234 | 1.262 | 0.053 | 0.653 | 0.807 |
| Knowing any contraceptive method | 1.000 | 0.000 | 148 | 170 | NA | 0.000 | 1.000 | 1.000 |
| Knowing any modern contraceptive method | 1.000 | 0.000 | 148 | 170 | NA | 0.000 | 1.000 | 1.000 |
| Ever used any contraceptive method | 0.910 | 0.032 | 148 | 170 | 1.355 | 0.035 | 0.846 | 0.974 |
| Currently using any method | 0.668 | 0.051 | 148 | 170 | 1.325 | 0.077 | 0.565 | 0.771 |
| Currently using a modern method | 0.633 | 0.051 | 148 | 170 | 1.290 | 0.081 | 0.531 | 0.736 |
| Currently using pill | 0.033 | 0.017 | 148 | 170 | 1.125 | 0.500 | 0.000 | 0.067 |
| Currently using IUD | 0.400 | 0.045 | 148 | 170 | 1.118 | 0.113 | 0.310 | 0.491 |
| Currently using injectables | 0.000 | 0.000 | 148 | 170 | NA | NA | 0.000 | 0.000 |
| Currently using Norplant | 0.000 | 0.000 | 148 | 170 | NA | NA | 0.000 | 0.000 |
| Currently using condom | 0.132 | 0.041 | 148 | 170 | 1.482 | 0.313 | 0.049 | 0.215 |
| Currently using female sterilization | 0.055 | 0.030 | 148 | 170 | 1.570 | 0.536 | 0.000 | 0.114 |
| Currently using male sterilization | 0.012 | 0.012 | 148 | 170 | 1.345 | 0.994 | 0.000 | 0.037 |
| Currently using periodic abstinence | 0.011 | 0.008 | 148 | 170 | 0.944 | 0.744 | 0.000 | 0.027 |
| Currently using withdrawal | 0.021 | 0.015 | 148 | 170 | 1.291 | 0.729 | 0.000 | 0.051 |
| Want no more children | 0.551 | 0.054 | 148 | 170 | 1.306 | 0.097 | 0.444 | 0.658 |
| Want to delay at least 2 years | 0.125 | 0.036 | 148 | 170 | 1.309 | 0.286 | 0.053 | 0.196 |
| Ideal number of children | 3.088 | 0.131 | 184 | 200 | 1.093 | 0.043 | 2.825 | 3.350 |
| NA = Not applicable |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

## Table C. 1 Household age distribution

Single-year age distribution of the de facto household population by sex (weighted), Kazakhstan 1999

| Age | Males |  | Females |  | Age | Males |  | Females |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Number | Percent | Number | Percent |  | Number | Percent | Number | Percent |
| 0 | 153 | 1.6 | 154 | 1.4 | 37 | 180 | 1.9 | 184 | 1.7 |
| 1 | 144 | 1.5 | 153 | 1.4 | 38 | 142 | 1.5 | 121 | 1.1 |
| 2 | 173 | 1.8 | 162 | 1.5 | 39 | 143 | 1.5 | 183 | 1.7 |
| 3 | 125 | 1.3 | 173 | 1.6 | 40 | 155 | 1.6 | 169 | 1.6 |
| 4 | 192 | 2.0 | 171 | 1.6 | 41 | 107 | 1.1 | 165 | 1.5 |
| 5 | 189 | 2.0 | 188 | 1.8 | 42 | 133 | 1.4 | 129 | 1.2 |
| 6 | 194 | 2.0 | 205 | 1.9 | 43 | 140 | 1.5 | 150 | 1.4 |
| 7 | 248 | 2.6 | 219 | 2.1 | 44 | 115 | 1.2 | 104 | 1.0 |
| 8 | 239 | 2.5 | 234 | 2.2 | 45 | 91 | 1.0 | 141 | 1.3 |
| 9 | 252 | 2.6 | 233 | 2.2 | 46 | 101 | 1.1 | 121 | 1.1 |
| 10 | 234 | 2.5 | 210 | 2.0 | 47 | 109 | 1.1 | 110 | 1.0 |
| 11 | 244 | 2.6 | 247 | 2.3 | 48 | 78 | 0.8 | 87 | 0.8 |
| 12 | 225 | 2.4 | 243 | 2.3 | 49 | 106 | 1.1 | 95 | 0.9 |
| 13 | 242 | 2.5 | 221 | 2.1 | 50 | 93 | 1.0 | 155 | 1.5 |
| 14 | 248 | 2.6 | 222 | 2.1 | 51 | 97 | 1.0 | 108 | 1.0 |
| 15 | 230 | 2.4 | 176 | 1.7 | 52 53 | 90 60 | 0.9 0.6 | 120 90 | 1.1 0.8 |
| 16 | 179 | 1.9 | 198 | 1.9 | 54 | 38 | 0.6 0.4 | 71 | 0.7 |
| 17 | 190 | 2.0 | 190 | 1.8 | 55 | 28 | 0.4 0.3 | 40 | 0.4 |
| 18 | 139 | 1.5 | 167 | 1.6 | 56 | 36 | 0.4 | 53 | 0.5 |
| 19 | 119 | 1.2 | 156 | 1.5 | 57 | 82 | 0.9 | 81 | 0.8 |
| 20 | 144 | 1.5 | 196 | 1.8 | 58 | 82 | 0.9 | 107 | 1.0 |
| 21 | 119 | 1.2 | 139 | 1.3 | 59 | 93 | 1.0 | 109 | 1.0 |
| 22 | 134 | 1.4 | 139 | 1.3 | 60 | 93 | 1.0 | 143 | 1.3 |
| 23 | 144 | 1.5 | 130 | 1.2 | 61 | 75 | 0.8 | 111 | 1.0 |
| 24 | 149 | 1.6 | 133 | 1.2 | 62 | 85 | 0.9 | 98 | 0.9 |
| 25 | 141 | 1.5 | 146 | 1.4 | 63 | 72 | 0.8 | 109 | 1.0 |
| 26 | 125 | 1.3 | 129 | 1.2 | 64 | 59 | 0.6 | 87 | 0.8 |
| 27 | 172 | 1.8 | 169 | 1.6 | 65 | 52 | 0.5 | 59 | 0.6 |
| 28 | 152 | 1.6 | 127 | 1.2 | 66 | 37 | 0.4 | 46 | 0.4 |
| 29 | 121 | 1.3 | 171 | 1.6 | 67 | 40 | 0.4 | 67 | 0.6 |
| 30 | 144 | 1.5 | 168 | 1.6 | 68 | 32 | 0.3 | 61 | 0.6 |
| 31 | 146 | 1.5 | 153 | 1.4 | 69 | 48 | 0.5 | 70 | 0.7 |
| 32 | 143 | 1.5 | 182 | 1.7 | 70+ | 310 | 3.2 | 630 | 5.9 |
| 33 | 142 | 1.5 | 133 | 1.3 | Don't know, |  |  |  |  |
| 34 | 128 | 1.3 | 120 | 1.1 | missing | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.0 |
| 35 | 151 | 1.6 | 151 | 1.4 |  |  |  |  |  |
| 36 | 145 | 1.5 | 160 | 1.5 | Total | 9,562 | 100.0 | 10,641 | 100.0 |

Note: The de facto population includes all residents and nonresidents (visitors) who slept in the household the night before the interview.

## Table C.2.1 Age distribution of eligible and interviewed women

Percent distribution of the de facto household population of women age 10-54, and of interviewed women age 15-49, and percentage of eligible women who were interviewed (weighted) by five-year groups, Kazakhstan 1999

| Age | Household population of women |  | Interviewed women |  | Percentage of eligible women interviewed (weighted) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Number | Percent | Number | Percent |  |
| 10-14 | 1,142 | NA | NA | NA | NA |
| 15-19 | 888 | 17.1 | 862 | 17.0 | 97.1 |
| 20-24 | 737 | 14.2 | 715 | 14.1 | 97.1 |
| 25-29 | 743 | 14.3 | 731 | 14.4 | 98.5 |
| 30-34 | 756 | 14.6 | 747 | 14.7 | 98.9 |
| 25-39 | 798 | 15.4 | 780 | 15.4 | 97.7 |
| 40-44 | 717 | 13.8 | 702 | 13.8 | 97.9 |
| 45-49 | 553 | 10.7 | 540 | 10.6 | 97.7 |
| 50-54 | 545 | NA | NA | NA | NA |
| 15-49 | 5,192 | NA | 5,079 | NA | 97.8 |

Note: The de facto population includes all residents and nonresidents (visitors) who slept in the household the night before the interview.
NA = Not applicable

Table C.2.2 Age distribution of eligible and interviewed men
Percent distribution of the de facto household population of men age 10-65+ , and of interviewed men age 15-59, and percentage of eligible men who were interviewed (weighted) by five-year groups, Kazakhstan 1999

| Age | Household population of men |  | Interviewed men |  | Percentage of eligible men interviewed (weighted) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Number | Percent | Number | Percent |  |
| 10-14 | 363 | NA | NA | NA | NA |
| 15-19 | 254 | 15.0 | 243 | 16.1 | 95.8 |
| 20-24 | 208 | 12.3 | 195 | 12.9 | 93.9 |
| 25-29 | 204 | 12.0 | 188 | 12.4 | 92.1 |
| 30-34 | 200 | 11.8 | 186 | 12.3 | 93.2 |
| 25-39 | 244 | 14.4 | 231 | 15.2 | 94.7 |
| 40-44 | 181 | 10.7 | 169 | 11.2 | 93.5 |
| 45-49 | 141 | 8.3 | 127 | 8.4 | 89.9 |
| 50-54 | 107 | 6.3 | 103 | 6.8 | 96.7 |
| 55-59 | 74 | 4.4 | 71 | 4.7 | 96.9 |
| 60-64 | 82 | 4.8 | 0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 65+ | 46 | NA | NA | NA | NA |
| 15-65+ | 1,692 | NA | 1,513 | NA | 89.4 |
| Note: The de facto population includes all residents and nonresidents (visitors) who slept in the household the night before the interview. NA = Not applicable |  |  |  |  |  |

Table C. 3 Completeness of reporting
Percentage of observations missing information for selected demographic and health questions, Kazakhstan 1999

| Subject | Reference group | Percentage missing information | Number of cases |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Birth Date | Birth in past 15 years |  |  |
| Month only |  | 0.13 | 5,517 |
| Month and year |  | 0.01 | 5,517 |
| Age at death | Deaths to births in past 15 years | 0.17 | 353 |
| Age at/date of first union ${ }^{1}$ | Ever-married women | 0.17 | 3,585 |
| Respondent's education | All women | 0.01 | 4,800 |
| Anthropometry ${ }^{2}$ | Living children 0-59 months | 1.79 | 1,431 |
| Height |  | 53.7 | 1,354 |
| Weight |  | 53.6 | 1,354 |
| Height or weight |  | 53.8 | 1,354 |
| Diarrhea in last 2 weeks | Living children 0-59 months | 1.32 | 1,354 |

${ }^{1}$ Both year and age missing
${ }^{2}$ Child not measured

|  |  <br> $\frac{\stackrel{0}{\pi}}{\Sigma}$ <br>  <br>  |  |  <br>  <br>  <br>  <br>  <br>  <br>  <br>  <br>  <br> Z <br>  <br>  <br>  <br>  <br>  <br>  <br>  <br>  <br>  <br>  <br>  <br>  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |

## Table C. 5 Reporting of age at death in days

Distribution of reported deaths under 1 month of age by age at death in days and the percentage of neonatal deaths reported to occur at ages 0-6 days, for five-year periods preceding the survey, Kazakhstan 1999

| Age at death (in days) | Number of years preceding survey |  |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Total } \\ & 0-19 \end{aligned}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 0-4 | 5-9 | 10-14 | 15-19 |  |
| $<1$ | 17 | 17 | 26 | 11 | 71 |
| 1 | 6 | 7 | 14 | 10 | 37 |
| 2 | 4 | 6 | 1 | 7 | 18 |
| 3 | 7 | 7 | 7 | 5 | 26 |
| 4 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 5 |
| 5 | 3 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 6 |
| 6 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 4 |
| 7 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 5 |
| 8 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 3 |
| 9 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| 10 | 3 | 0 | 2 | 3 | 7 |
| 11 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| 12 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 2 |
| 15 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 3 |
| 17 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| 18 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| 19 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| 20 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 5 |
| 21 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| 24 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| 29 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| 30 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 5 |
| 31+ | 2 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 2 |
| Total 0-30 ${ }^{1}$ | 49 | 54 | 60 | 41 | 203 |
| Percent early neonatal ${ }^{2}$ | 83.0 | 79.5 | 84.2 | 82.3 | 82.3 |
| ${ }^{1}$ Includes cases for which age at death (in exact days) is not known ${ }^{2}$ (0-6 days/0-3 days) * 100 |  |  |  |  |  |

## Table C. 6 Reporting of age at death in months

Distribution of reported deaths under 2 years of age by age at death in months and the percentage of infant deaths reported to occur at ages under one month, for five-year periods preceding the survey, Kazakhstan 1999

| Age at deaths (in months) | Number of years preceding the survey |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 0-4 | 5-9 | 10-14 | 15-19 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Total } \\ & 0-19 \end{aligned}$ |
| $<1^{\text {a }}$ | 49 | 54 | 60 | 41 | 203 |
| 1 | 4 | 3 | 6 | 4 | 18 |
| 2 | 3 | 6 | 3 | 9 | 22 |
| 3 | 6 | 8 | 13 | 13 | 39 |
| 4 | 6 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 15 |
| 5 | 3 | 6 | 1 | 3 | 13 |
| 6 | 6 | 5 | 6 | 4 | 20 |
| 7 | 1 | 7 | 5 | 3 | 17 |
| 8 | 5 | 3 | 6 | 4 | 18 |
| 9 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 3 | 5 |
| 10 | 3 | 5 | 3 | 2 | 13 |
| 11 | 0 | 1 | 4 | 4 | 9 |
| 12 | 2 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 6 |
| 13 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| 15 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| 17 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 2 |
| 18 | 1 | 2 | 6 | 2 | 12 |
| 22 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| 1 Year | 2 | 2 | 3 | 6 | 13 |
| Total 0-11 ${ }^{\text {b }}$ | 86 | 104 | 110 | 94 | 393 |
| Percent neonatal ${ }^{\text {c }}$ | 57.0 | 51.9 | 54.2 | 43.6 | 51.7 |

${ }^{a}$ Includes deaths under 1 month reported in days
${ }^{\mathrm{b}}$ Includes cases for which age at death in exact months is not known ${ }^{\text {c }}$ (under 1 month/under 1 year) * 100

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HOUSEHOLD SCHEDULE
Now we would like some information about the people who usually live in your household or who are staying with you now.

| LINE NO. | USUAL RESIDENTS AND VISITORS | RELATIONSHIP TO HEAD OF HOUSEHOLD | SEX | RESIDENCE |  | AGE | ELIGIBRITY |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Please give me the names of the persons who usually live in your hovsehold and guests of the household who slayed here last night, starting with the head of the household. | What is the relationship of (NAME) to the head of the household?" | Is (NAME) male or female? | Doss (NAME) usually live here? | Did (NAME) stay here last night? | How odd is (NAME)? | CIRCLE LINE NUMBER OF ALL WOMEN AGE 15-49 | CIRCLE UNE NUMBER OF ALL MEN AGE 15. 59 |
| -1 | -2 | 3 | . 4 | -5 | -6 | $\cdot 7$ | -8 | - 9 |
|  |  |  | M $\quad \mathrm{F}$ | YES NO | YES NO | IN YEARS |  |  |
| 1 |  |  |  |  |  |  | 1 | 1 |
| 2 |  | $1$ | 12 | 12 | 12 | $\square$ | 2 | 2 |
| 3 |  | $1$ | 12 | 12 | 12 |  | 3 | 3 |
| 4 |  | $1$ | 12 | 12 | 12 |  | 4 | 4 |
| 5 |  | $1$ | 12 | 12 | 12 | $1$ | 5 | 5 |
| 6 |  |  | 12 | 12 | 12 | \| | 6 | 6 |
| 7 |  |  | 12 | 12 | 12 |  | 7 | 7 |
| 8 |  | $1$ | 12 | 12 | 12 | I | 8 | 8 |
| 9 |  |  | 12 | 12 | 12 |  | 9 | 9 |
| 10 |  | $\square$ | 12 | 12 | 12 | $1$ | 10 | 10 |

* CODES FOR Q. 3

RELATIONSHIP TO HEAD OF

## 01 = HEAD

02 = WIFE OR HUSBAND 03 = SON OR DAUGHTER $04=$ SON-IN-LAW OR DAUGHTER-IN-LAW $05=$ GRANDCHILD $06=$ PARENT
$07=$ PARENT-INLAW
$08=$ EROTHER OR SISTER
$10=$ OTHERRELATVE
11 = ADOPTEDFOSTER
STEPCHILD
$12=$ NOT RELATED
$98=$ DONT KNOW


[^17]***CODES FOR QS. 15,18 AND 20
education level:
$1=$ PRIMARYISECONDARY
$2=$ SECONDARY SPECIAL
3 = HIGHER
$8=$ DON'T KNOW
EDUCATION GRADE:
$\infty=$ LESS THAN 1 YEAR COMPLETED
$98=$ DONT KNOW


| $\begin{aligned} & \text { LINE } \\ & \text { NO. } \end{aligned}$ | PARENTAL SURVIVORSHKP AND RESIDENCE FOR PERSONS LESS THAN 45 YEARS OLD* |  |  |  | EdUCATION |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Is (NAME)'s natural mother alive? | IF ALIVE | Is (NAME)'s natural father alive? | IF ALIVE | IF AGE 6 YEARS OR OLIDER |  |  | IF AGE 6-24 YEARS |  |  |  |
|  |  | Does <br> (NAME)'s <br> natural <br> mother live <br> in this <br> household? <br> IF YES: <br> What is her name? <br> MOTHER'S <br> LINE <br> NUMBER |  | Does <br> (NAME)'s <br> natural father live in this househald? IF YES: What is his name? RECORD FATHER'S LINE NLMBER | Has (NAME) ever attended school? |  | highest <br> ol (NAME) <br> $\mathrm{d}^{\text {mo }}$ <br> highest <br> E) <br> at that | During the school year ended in May 1999, did (NAME) attend school at any time? | During that school year, what level and grade [was] (NAME) attending? | During the previous school year onded in May 1998, did (NAME) attend school at any time? | During that school year, what tevel and grade did (NAME) atterd? |
|  | -10 | - 11 | . 12 | -13 | -14 |  | 5 | - 17 | -18 | . 19 | -20 |
| 11 | $\begin{array}{\|ccc} \hline \text { YES } & \text { NO } & 0 X \\ 1 & 2 & 8 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\square$ | $\begin{array}{\|ccc\|} \hline \text { YES } & \text { NO } & \text { DK } \\ 1 & 2 & 8 \end{array}$ | $\square$ | $\left.\begin{array}{llrr} \text { YES } & & \text { NO } \\ 1 & & 2 \\ & \text { NERT } & 2 \\ & \text { LINE } & \end{array} \right\rvert\,$ | level $\square$ | GRADE | $\begin{array}{\|lll} \text { YES } & & \text { NO } \\ 1 & & 2 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{cc} \hline \text { LEVEL } & \text { GRADE } \\ \square & \square \end{array}$ | $\left\|\begin{array}{lr} \text { YES } & \text { NO } \\ 1 & \\ 1 & 2 \\ & \text { NEXT } \\ \text { LINE } \end{array}\right\|$ |  |
| 12 | 128 | $\square$ | 128 | $\square$ | $\begin{array}{\|llll} \hline 1 & & 2 \\ & \text { NEXT } & \text { al } \\ & \text { LINE } & \end{array}$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | ${ }^{1} \operatorname{cosTod}_{19}{ }^{2}$ | $\square \square$ |  | $\square \square$ |
| 13 | 128 | $\square$ | 128 | $\square$ | $\begin{array}{\|lll\|} \hline 1 & & 2 \\ & \text { NEXT } & \\ & \text { UNE } & 1 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | ${ }^{1}$ cotoad ${ }^{19}$ | $\square \square$ | $\left\lvert\, \begin{array}{lll}1 \\ \\ \text { NEXT } \\ \text { ITE }\end{array}\right.$ | $\square \square$ |
| 14 | 128 | $\square$ | 128 | $\square$ | 1   <br>    <br>  NEXT  <br> LiNE   | $\square$ | $\square$ | ${ }^{1} \begin{aligned} & \text { cotor } \\ & 19\end{aligned}{ }^{2}$ | $\square \square$ |  | $\square \square$ |
| 15 | 128 | $\square$ | $1 \begin{array}{lll}1 & 2\end{array}$ | $\square$ | $\left(\begin{array}{llll}1 & & \\ & \text { NEXT } \\ \\ & \text { LINE }\end{array}\right.$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | ${ }^{1}$ cotod ${ }^{\text {cid }}$ | $\square \square$ | $\int_{\substack{\text { NEXT } \\ \text { NINE }}}$ | $\square \square$ |
| 16 | 128 | $\square$ | $1 \begin{array}{lll}1 & 2\end{array}$ | $\square$ | $\begin{array}{\|ccc\|} \hline 1 & & 2 \\ & \text { NEX } & 3 \\ & \text { LINE } & \end{array}$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |  | $\square \square$ |  | $\square \square$ |
| 17 | 128 | $\square$ | $1 \begin{array}{lll}1 & 2\end{array}$ | $\square$ | $\begin{array}{\|lll\|} \hline 1 & & 2 \\ & \text { NEXT } & .1 \\ & \text { UNE } & -1 \end{array}$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |  | $\square \square$ |  | $\square \square$ |
| 18 | 128 |  | $1 \begin{array}{lll}1 & 2\end{array}$ | $\square$ | $\begin{array}{\|lll\|} \hline 1 & & 2 \\ & \text { NET } & . j \\ & \text { LINE } & \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |  | $\square \square$ | $\underbrace{1}_{1} \begin{gathered}\text { NERT } \\ \text { LINE }\end{gathered}$ | $\square \square$ |
| 19 | 128 |  | $1 \begin{array}{lll}1 & 2 & 8\end{array}$ | $\square$ | $\begin{array}{\|lll\|} \hline 1 & & 2 \\ & \text { NEXT } & 2 \\ & \text { UNE } & \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |  | $\square \square$ | $\left\lvert\, l l l_{1} \begin{aligned} & \text { NEXT } \\ & \text { LINE }\end{aligned}\right.$ | $\square \square$ |
| 20 | 128 | $\square$ | $1 \begin{array}{lll}1 & 2 & 8\end{array}$ | $\square$ | $\begin{array}{\|ccc\|} \hline 1 & & 2 \\ & \text { NEXT } & 2 \\ & \text { LNE } & \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\left.\begin{array}{\|lll} \hline 1 & & 2 \\ & & \\ & \\ \hline 19 \end{array}\right)$ | $\square \square$ | $\underbrace{1}$ | $\square \square$ |
| TICK HERE IF CONTINUATION SHEET USED $\quad \square$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Just to make sure that I have a complete listing: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Are there any other persons such as small chidrren or infants thet we heve not listad? |  |  |  |  | yEs |  | $\square$, | ENTER EACHIN TABLE |  | NO $\square$ |
| 2) | In addition, are there any other people who may not be members of your family, such as domestic servants, lodgers or fiends who usually live here? |  |  |  |  |  | YES | $\square$ | ENTER EACHINTAB |  | NO $\square$ |
| 3) | Are there any guests or temporary vistiors slaying here, or anyone else who slept here last night, who have not been listed? |  |  |  |  |  | YES | $\square$. | ENTER EACHINTAB |  | NO $\square$ |


| NO. | QUESTIONS AND FILTERS | CODING CATEGORIES | SKIP |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 21 | What is the main source of drinking water for members of your household?' |  | $\rightarrow 23$ $\rightarrow 23$ <br> $\rightarrow 23$ <br> $\rightarrow 23$ <br> $\rightarrow 23$ |
| 22 | How long does if take you to go there, get water, and come back? | MINUTES $\qquad$ <br> ON PREMISES $\qquad$ |  |
| 23 | What kind of toilet facility do most members of your household use? |  | $\rightarrow 25$ |
| 24 | Do you share this faclity with other households? |  |  |
| 25 | Does your household have: <br> Electricity? <br> A rado? <br> A televislon? <br> A telephone? <br> A refrigerator? |  |  |
| 26 | What type of fuel does your household mainly use for cooking? |  <br> OTHER $\qquad$ 96 <br> (SPECIFY) |  |
| 27 | MAIN MATERIAL OF THE FLOOR. <br> RECORD OBSERVATION. | NATURAL FLOOR <br> EARTH/SAND <br> RUDIMENTARY FLOOR <br> WOOD PLANKS $\qquad$ <br> FINISHED FLOOR <br> PARQUET OR POLISHED WOOD .... 31 <br> LYNOLEUM 32 <br> CEMENT $\qquad$ $\qquad$ <br> OTHER $\qquad$ 96 <br> (SPECIFY) |  |
| 28 | Does any member of your household own: <br> A bleycle? <br> A motorcycle or motor scootern <br> A car or truck? |  YESNO <br> BICYCLE $\ldots \ldots . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . ~$ 2 <br> MOTRRYCLESCOOTER ........ 2 <br> CARTRUCK .................. 1 2 |  |


| No. | QUESTIONS AND FILTERS | CODING CATEGORIES | SKIP |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 33 | Does your household have any place which is used for hand washing? | $\begin{aligned} & \text { YES } . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . ~ \\ & \text { NO } 1 \\ & \text { NO............................ } 2 \end{aligned}$ | $\rightarrow 35$ |
| 34 | ASK TO SEE THE PLACE USED MOST OFTEN AND OBSERVE IF THE FOLLOWING ITEMS ARE PRESENT. |  YES NO <br> WATERTAP .................... 1 2 <br> SOAP, ASH OR OTHER  <br> CLEANSING AGENT ............. 1 2 <br> BASIN ........................... 1 2 |  |
| 34A | Ask respondent to bring the package of salt and note: <br> Type of package <br> (Name of producer) |  | $\underset{\sim}{-35}$ |
| 348 | Sall iodized or not iodized |  |  |
| 35 | ASK RESPONDENT FOR A TEASPOONFUL OF SALT. TEST SALT FOR IODINE. <br> RECORD PPM (PARTS PER MLLLION). |  |  |
| 35A | Where do you usually keep your sat? | IN THE CLOSED PACKAGEAWAY FROM <br> PLACE OF COOKING/ <br> IN THE DARK PLACE . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 1 <br> IN THE OPENED PACKAGENEAR TO PLACE OF COOKING/ <br> IN THE LIGHT ............................ 2 |  |
| 35B | Do you know, that it is necessary to include into ration iodized sait to reduce risk of getting the number of deceases |  |  |
| 36 | Does anybody in your household own dacha, or have accosss to a garden from which you obtain fruits and vegetables during the growing season? |  |  |
| 37 | Does anybody in your household have animal husbandry? |  |  |

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| 1. LANGUAGE OF INTERVIEW | KAZAKH | RUSSIAN | OTHER |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2. NATIVE LANGUAGE OF RESPONDENT | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| 3. WHETHER TRANSLATOR USED | 1 | 2 | 3 |


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## SECTION 1. RESPONDENT'S BACKGROUND

## INFORMED CONSENT

Hello. My name is $\qquad$ and I am working with the Academy of Preventive Medicine of Kazakhstan. We are conducting a national survey about the health of women and children. We would very much appreciate your participation in this survey. I would like to ask you about your health (and the health of your children). This information will help the government of Kazakhstan to plan health services. The survey usually takes between 20 and 45 minutes to complete. Whatever information you provide will be kept strictly confidential and will not be shown to other persons.

Participation in this survey is voluntary and you can choose not to answer any individual question or all of the questions. However, we hope that you will participate in this survey since your views are important. ${ }^{1}$

At this time, do you want to ask me anything about the survey?
May I begin the interview now?
Signature of interviewer: $\qquad$ Date: $\qquad$ 1999

## RESPONDENT AGREES TO BE INTERVIEWED.

$\qquad$ 1

RESPONDENT DOES NOT AGREE TO BE INTERVIEWED
$2 \rightarrow E N D$
v

| 101 | RECORD THE TIME. | HOUR <br> MINUTES $\square$ |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 102 | First I would like to ask some questions about you and your household. For most of the time until you were 12 years old, did you live in a city, in a town, or in the countryside? |  |  |
| 103 | How long have you been living continuously in (NAME OF CURRENT PLACE OF RESIDENCE)? <br> IF LESS THAN ONE YEAR, RECORD '00' YEARS. |  | $1.105$ |


| 104 | Just before you moved here, did you live in a city, in a town, or in the countryside? |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 105 | In what month and year were you born? | MONTH $\qquad$ <br> DONT KNOW MONTH <br> YEAR $\qquad$ <br> DONT KNOW YEAR <br> 9998 |  |
| 106 | How old were you at your last birthday? <br> COMPARE AND CORRECT 105 ANDIOR 106 IF INCONSISTENT. | AGE IN COMPLETED YEARS . $\square$ |  |
| 107 | Have you ever attended school? |  | $\rightarrow 110$ |
| 108 | What is the highest level of schooi you attended: prirnary, secondary, secondary-special or higher? |  |  |
| 109 | What is the highest (gradefform/year) you cornpleted at that level? | GRADE.$\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \square$ |  |
| 110 | Do you read a newspaper or magazine almost every day, at least once a week, less than once a week or not at all? | ALMOST EVERY DAY .................. 1 AT LEAST ONCE A WEEK ........... 2 LESS THAN ONCE A WEEK ......... 3 NOT AT ALL . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 4 |  |
| 111 | Do you listen to the radio almost every day, at least once a week, less than once a week or not at all? |  |  |
| 112 | Do you watch television almost every day, at least once a week, less than once a week or not at all? | ALMOST EVERY DAY ................ 1 AT LEAST ONCE A WEEK .......... 2 LESS THAN ONCE A WEEK ........ 3 NOT AT ALL . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 4 |  |
| 113 | What is your religion: Are you Muslim, Christian, another seligion, or do you not practice any religion? |  |  |


| NO. | QUESTIONS AND FILTERS |  | CODING |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 114 | What is your nationality? <br> Are you Kazakh? <br> Russian? <br> Ukrainian? <br> German? <br> Korean? <br> Other? |  |  |
| 115 | The next questions are about places people go for their health problems. Is there a place that you usually go to when you are sick or need advice about your health? |  | $\begin{array}{r} \rightarrow 118 \\ \rightarrow 119 \\ \rightarrow 119 \end{array}$ |
| 116 | What kind of place is it - a Family Group Practice, a Polyclinic, a Women Counseling Center, FAP, Hospital, or some other place? <br> (RECORD NAME OF FACILITY) |  |  |
| 117 | Do you have a choice of changing place you usually go to for health care? |  | $\text { } 119$ |
| 118 | What is the reason why you do not have a usual source of care? | NO SOURCE is AVAILABLE ........ 1 NO REASON TO HAVE BECAUSE SELDOM OR NEVER SICK RECENTLY MOVED INTO THE AREA. 3 OTHER $\qquad$ 6 DON'T KNOW $\qquad$ 8 |  |
| 119 | During the past 12 months did you visit a doctor because of an illness or for preventive heath care, including visits for prenatal care? |  | $]_{-123}$ |


| 120 | In what month and year was your most recent visit to a doctor for health care? | MONTH $\qquad$ $\square$ <br> YEAR $\qquad$ DON'T KNOW YEAR <br> 9998 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 121 | At that visit, was the doctor you saw a family doctor, who treats a variety of illnesses and gives preventive care, or was he or she a specialist who mainly treats just one type of problem? | FAMILY DOCTOR. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 1 <br> SPECIALIST . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 2 <br> OTHER $\qquad$ <br> DON'T KNOW <br> 8 |  |
| 122 | Was this visit in (MONTH OF VISIT) to the place you usually go to when you are sick or need advice about your health? |  |  |
| 123 | During the past 12 months has a doctor or nurse visited you at home for a health check? |  | -1.125 |
| 123A | Who has visited: doctor, or nurse or someone else? |  | $\} \rightarrow 125$ |
| 124 | At that visit, was the doctor you saw a family doctor, who treats a variety of illnesses and gives preventive care, or was he or she a specialist who mainly treats just one type of problem? |  |  |
| 125 | During the past 12 months, about how much did you spend out-of-pocket for medical care: less than 1000 tenge, between 1000 and 10000 tenge, more than 10000 tenge or did not spend any money? |  |  |
| 126 | Are you aware of a new national health reform program which promotes primary health care and particularly family group practices? |  |  |
| 127 | Have you heard of illness called fubercuiosis? |  | - 138 |


| NO. | QUESTIONS AND FILTERS |  | CODING |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 127A | Did you know that tuberculosis can be completely cured with proper medication? |  |  |
| 128 | Have you or has anyone in your family ever had tuberculosis? |  |  |
| 131 | Other than your family, is there anyone with whom you have frequent contact (neighbors, colleagues, or close friends) who has ever had tuberculosis? |  |  |
| 132 | What signs or symptoms would lead you think that a person has tubercuiosis? |  | - 134 |
| 133 | What are the symptoms of tuberculosis which would convince you to seek medical assistance? |  |  |
| 134 | When a person first discovers that he or she has tubercubsis, how should that person be treated initially: hospitalized, treated at home, or both? |  |  |


| 135 | How does tuberculosis spread from one person to another? | THROUGH THE AIR WHEN COUGHING ....... OTHER $\qquad$ (SPECIFY) DONT KNOW ..... |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 136 | Where would you go for help if you thought you or your child had tubercuibsis? |  |  |
| 137 | After a tamily member has completed the hospital treatment for twbercuibsis, would you be willing to take him or her at home during further teatment? | YES ........................................................................................ |  |
| 138 | Have you ever drank an alcoholic beverage? | YES .................................................................. 2 | $\rightarrow 142$ |
| 139 | Have you ever been intaxicated from drinking an alcoholic beyerage? |  |  |
| 140 | In the last 3 monts, on how many days did you drink an alcoholic beyerage? | NUMBER OF TIMES $\square$ NONENEVER 00 | - 142 |
| 141 | In the last 3 months, on how many occasions have you been intoxicated? | NUMBER OF TIMES $\square$ NONENEVER ........................... 00 |  |
| 442 | Have you had any kind of injection in the last 3 montis? |  | 201 |
| 143 | How many times did you have an injection in the last 3 months? | Number of injections $\qquad$ $\square$ EVERY DAY $\qquad$ |  |
| 144 | The last time you had an injection, who was the person who gave you the injection? |  |  |


|  | SECTION 2: REPRODUCTION |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| No. | QUESTIONS AND FILTERS | CODING CATEGORIES | SKIP |
| 201 | Now I would like to ask about all the biths you have had during your life. Have you ever given bith? |  | $\rightarrow 206$ |
| 202 | Do you have any sons or daughters to whom you have given birth who are now living with you? |  | $\rightarrow 204$ |
| 203 | How many sons live with you? <br> And how many daughters live with you? <br> IF NONE, RECORD ' 00 '. | SONS AT HOME $\qquad$ <br> DAUGHTERS AT HOME $\qquad$ $\square$ |  |
| 204 | Do you have any sons or daughters to whom you have given bith who are alive but do not live with you? |  | $\rightarrow 206$ |
| 205 | How many sons are alive but do not live with you? <br> And how many daughters are alive but do not live with you? <br> IF NONE, RECORD 'OO'. | SONS ELSEWHERE DAUGHTERS ELSEWHERE $\qquad$ $\square$ |  |
| 206 | Have you ever given bith to a boy or girl who was borm alive but later died? <br> IF NO, PROBE: Any baby who cried or showed signs of life but suvived only a few hours or days? |  | $\rightarrow 208$ |
| 207 | How many boys have died? <br> And how many girls have died? <br> IF NONE, RECORD ${ }^{\circ} 00$. | BOYS DEAD <br> GIRLS DEAD $\qquad$ |  |
| 208 | SUM ANSWERS TO 203, 205, AND 207, AND ENTER TOTAL. <br> IF NONE, RECORD 'OO'. | TOTAL . ................... $\square$ |  |
| 209 | CHECK 208: <br> Just to make sure that I have this right you have had in TOTAL $\qquad$ bitths during your life. Is that comect? <br> PROBE AND <br> YES NO $\square$ CORRECT 201-208 AS NECESSARY. |  |  |

\begin{tabular}{|c|c|c|c|}
\hline 209A \& \begin{tabular}{l}
Women sometime have pregnancies which do not result in a live bom chid. That k , a pregnancy can ended very eaty by a mini abortion or by an indured abortion, a miscariage or a stilbith. \\
In total how many mini abortions, and induced abortions have you had?
\end{tabular} \& TOTAL ABORTIONS . . . . . . . . . . \(\square\) \& \\
\hline 2098 \& How many miscarriages? \& TOTAL MISCARRIAGES ........... \(\square\) \& \\
\hline 209 C \& How many stimbiths? \& TOTAL STILBIRTHS ............. \(\square\) \& \\
\hline 209 D \& SUM ANSWERS TO 208, 209A, 2098,209C, AND ENTER TOTAL. IF NO PREGNANCIES, RECORD '00' \& TOTAL PREGNANCIES . . . . . . . . . \(\square\) \& \\
\hline 210 \& \begin{tabular}{l}
CHECK 2O9D: \\
NO PREGNANCIES \\
ONE OR MORE \\
PREGNANCIES

\end{tabular} \&  \& $-228$ <br>

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\end{tabular}



|  | INDUCED ABORTION ...................... 2 MIINABORTION .... 3 MISCARRIAGE ...... 4 STILBIRTH ........ 5 | $\left\|\begin{array}{l\|l} \text { YES } \ldots . . . . . . . . . . . ~ & 1 \\ \text { NO } \ldots \ldots . . . . . . . . . . ~ & 2 \end{array}\right\|$ |  | $\left\|\begin{array}{l} \operatorname{Sing} . . \\ \text { mult . } \\ \hline \end{array}\right\|$ | NAME | $\left\lvert\, \begin{aligned} & \text { BOY } . . . . . . ~ \\ & \text { GRL } . . . . .2 \end{aligned}\right.$ | $\left\|\begin{array}{rrr} \text { YES } & \ldots & 1 \\ \text { NO } & \ldots & 2 \\ & \vdots \\ & 23 \end{array}\right\|$ | AGE INYEARS | $\left\lvert\, \begin{aligned} & \text { YES } \ldots . .1 \\ & \text { NO } \ldots . . . \\ & \hline \end{aligned}\right.$ | UNE NUMBER $\square$ <br> I NEXT PREGNANCY | days $\qquad$ 1 <br> MONTHS <br> YEARS $\qquad$ $\square$ <br> ! |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\begin{array}{ll} 05 \\ \\ \text { MONTH } & \ldots . . . . . . \\ \text { YEAR } & 1!1!1! \\ \hline 1 \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { LINE BIRTH ........ } 1 \\ & \text { INDUCED ABORTION } \\ & \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots . . . . . . . . \\ & \text { MIIII ABORTION .... } 3 \\ & \text { MISCARRIAGE ...... } 4 \\ & \text { STIUBIRTH ........ } 5 \end{aligned}$ | $\left\|\begin{array}{l\|l\|l} \text { Yes } . . . . . . . . . . . . . . ~ & 1 \\ \text { NO } . . . . . . . . . . . . . . ~ & 2 \end{array}\right\|$ |  | $\left\|\begin{array}{lll} \operatorname{Sing} & . . & 1 \\ \text { MULT .. } \end{array}\right\|$ | NAME | $\left\lvert\, \begin{aligned} & \text { BOY ..... } 1 \\ & \text { GIRL ...... } 2 \end{aligned}\right.$ | $\begin{array}{rrrr} \text { YES } & \ldots & 1 \\ \text { NO } & \ldots & 2 \\ & ! \\ & 223 \end{array}$ | AGE IN YEARS | $\begin{gathered} \text { YES } \ldots . .1 \\ \text { NO } \ldots . . . \end{gathered}$ | UNE NUMQER | DAYS 1 <br> MONTHS $\qquad$ <br> YEARS $\qquad$ $\square$ <br> ! |
| $\begin{array}{lll} 06 & \\ \text { MONT } & \ldots . . . . . . . & \text { T! } \\ \text { YEAR } & \cdots & \text { I!!! } \end{array}$ | INDUCED ABORTION ….................. 2 MIIN ABORTION .... 3 MISCARRIAGE ...... 4 STILBIRTH ........ 5 | $\left\|\begin{array}{l} \text { YES } \ldots . . . . . . . . . . . ~ \\ \text { NO } \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots . . \\ 1 \end{array}\right\|$ |  | $\left\|\begin{array}{l} \operatorname{Sing} . . \\ \text { MULT . } \\ \hline \end{array}\right\|$ | NAME | $\left\lvert\, \begin{aligned} & \text { BOY } \ldots . . . . ~ \\ & \text { GIRL ...... } 2 \end{aligned}\right.$ |  | AGE INYEARS $\square$ | $\left\lvert\, \begin{gathered} \text { Yes } . . . . . ~ \\ \text { No } \ldots . . . \\ \hline \end{gathered}\right.$ | UNE NMMERR $\square$ <br> ! <br> NEXT PREGANCY | DAYS $\qquad$ .1 <br> MONTHS $\qquad$ . 2 <br> YEARS $\qquad$ $\square$ <br> $\stackrel{1}{\text { NEXT }}$ PREGNANCY |
| $\begin{array}{ll} 07 & \\ \text { MONTH } & \ldots . . . . . . \\ \text { YEAR } & \text { IU! } \end{array}$ | INDUCED ABORTION ….................. 2 MIIN ABORTION .... 3 MISCARRIAGE ...... 4 STILLBIRTH ........ 5 | $\left\lvert\, \begin{array}{l\|l} \text { Yes ............. } 1 \\ \text { NO .............. } 2 \end{array}\right.$ |  | $\left\|\begin{array}{lll} \operatorname{Sing} & . . & 1 \\ \text { muLt .. } \end{array}\right\|$ | NAME | $\left\lvert\, \begin{aligned} & \text { BOY } \ldots . . . . ~ \\ & \text { GRL } \ldots . . . . \\ & \hline \end{aligned}\right.$ | $\left\lvert\, \begin{array}{rrl} \text { YES } & \ldots & 1 \\ \text { NO } & \ldots & 2 \\ & ! \\ & 233 \end{array}\right.$ | AGE IN YEARS $\square$ | $\text { YES } \ldots . .1$ | UNE NUMEER $\square$ <br> ! <br> NEXT PREGNANCY | DAYS MONTHS YEARS |


|  |  | $\left\|\begin{array}{r} \text { res } \ldots \ldots . . . . . . . . . ~ \\ \text { No } . . . . . . . . . . . . . . ~ \\ 2 \end{array}\right\|$ |  | $\left\lvert\, \begin{array}{ll} \text { SING .. } \\ \text { MULT . } \end{array}\right.$ | NAME | $\left\|\begin{array}{l} \text { BOr } \ldots . . . . \\ \text { GRL } \ldots . . .2 \end{array}\right\|$ | $\left.\begin{gathered} \text { YES } \\ \text { No } \\ \text { No } \\ \ldots \end{gathered} \right\rvert\,$ | AGE IN YEARS | $\left\|\begin{array}{ccc} \text { YES } & . . . . \\ \text { NO } & \ldots & 1 \\ \hline \end{array}\right\|$ | LINE NUMBER $\square$ <br> 1 <br> next PREGNANCY |  |
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|  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { UNE BIRTH } . . . . . . . . \\ & \hline \text { INOUCED ABORTION } \\ & \text { IN................ } \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $\left\|\begin{array}{\|rll} \text { Yes } . . . . . . . . . . . . . . ~ & 1 \\ \text { No } \ldots . . . . . . . . . . . . ~ & 2 \end{array}\right\|$ |  | $\left\|\begin{array}{lll} \text { SING } & . & 1 \\ \text { MULT .. } \end{array}\right\|$ | NAME | $\left\|\begin{array}{l} \text { BOY } \ldots . . . . \\ \text { GRL } \ldots . . .2 \end{array}\right\|$ | $\left\|\begin{array}{ccc} \text { YES } & \ldots & 1 \\ \text { NO } & \ldots & 2 \\ & \vdots \\ & 23 \end{array}\right\|$ | AGE IN YEARS | $\left\|\begin{array}{lll} \text { YES } & \ldots & 1 \\ \text { NO } & \ldots . . . & 2 \end{array}\right\|$ | UNE NUMEER $\square$ <br> 1 NEXT PREGNANCY | DAYS <br> MONTHS <br> YEARS |
|  | IVE BIRTH ......... 1 <br> INDUCEDABORTON <br> $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots . . . . . . . . . . . . . . ~$ <br> MINI ABORTION ..... <br> MISCARRIAGE ...... 4 <br> STILBIRTH ......... 5 | $\left\lvert\, \begin{aligned} & \text { Yes } \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots . . . . . . . . . . . . ~ \\ & \text { NO } \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots . . \end{aligned}\right.$ |  | $\left\|\begin{array}{lll} \operatorname{SING} & \ldots & 1 \\ \operatorname{MULT} & \ldots & 2 \end{array}\right\|$ | NAME | $\left\|\begin{array}{llll} \text { BOY } & \ldots . . . & 1 \\ \text { GRL } & \ldots & . . & 2 \end{array}\right\|$ | $\left\|\begin{array}{ccc} \text { YES } & \ldots & 1 \\ \text { NO } & \ldots & 2 \\ & 1 \\ & & 23 \end{array}\right\|$ | AGE INYEARS | $\left\|\begin{array}{llll} \text { YES } & \ldots & 1 \\ \text { NO } & \ldots & . & 2 \end{array}\right\|$ | UNE NUMBER $\square$ <br> $!$ <br> NEXT PREGNANCY | DAYS $\qquad$ 1 $\square$ <br> MONTHS $\qquad$ 2 <br> YEARS $\qquad$ $\square$ <br> 3 <br> $!$ |
| 11 <br> MONTH <br> year | LVE BIRTH ......... 1 <br> INDUCED ABORTION $\qquad$ <br> MIIN ABORTION ..... 3 <br> MISCARRIAGE ....... 4 <br> STILBIRTH | $\text { YES ................ } 1$ |  | $\left\|\begin{array}{l} \text { SING } \ldots \\ \text { MULT } \ldots . \end{array}\right\|$ | NAME | $\left\|\begin{array}{lll} \text { BOY } & \ldots & . \\ \text { GRL } & \ldots & 1 \\ \hline \end{array}\right\|$ | $\left\|\begin{array}{ccc} \text { YES } & \ldots . & 1 \\ \text { NO } & \ldots & 2 \\ & \vdots \\ & 223 \end{array}\right\|$ | AGE INYEARS $\square$ | $\left\lvert\, \begin{gathered} \text { YES } \ldots . . \\ \text { NO } \end{gathered} \ldots .\right.$ | UNE NUMBER $\square$ <br> $!$ <br> NEXT PREGNANCY | DAYS $\qquad$ <br> MONTHS <br> YEARS $\qquad$ $\square$ <br> I NEXT PREGNANCY |


| $12$ | LNE BIRTH ......... 1 INDUCED ABORTION $\ldots \ldots \ldots . . . . . . . . . . . . ~$ MINI ABORTION ..... 3 MISCARRIAGE ...... 4 STLLEIRTH ......... 5 | $\left\|\begin{array}{l} \text { YES } \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots . . . . . . . . . . ~ \\ \text { NO } \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots . . . . . . . . ~ \end{array}\right\|$ |  | $\left\|\begin{array}{lll} \text { SING } & \ldots & 1 \\ \text { MULT } & \ldots & 2 \end{array}\right\|$ | NAME | $\left\lvert\, \begin{array}{lll} 80 Y & \ldots . . & 1 \\ G 1 R L & \ldots . . . & 2 \end{array}\right.$ | $\left\|\begin{array}{ccc} \text { YES } & \ldots .1 \\ \text { NO } & \ldots .2 \\ & 1 \\ & 223 \end{array}\right\|$ | AGE INYEARS | $\left\|\begin{array}{cccc} \text { YES } & \ldots & 1 \\ \text { NO } & \ldots & . & 2 \end{array}\right\|$ | LINE NUMEER $\square$ <br> $\stackrel{!}{\text { next }}$ PREGNANCY | DAYS $\qquad$ 1 <br> MONTHS $\qquad$ 2 <br> YEARS $\qquad$ 3 $\square$ $\square$ NEXT |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 13 $\begin{aligned} & \text { MONTH ...........TiL } \\ & \text { YEAR } \end{aligned}$ |  |  |  | $\left\|\begin{array}{lll} \operatorname{SING} & \ldots & 1 \\ \operatorname{MULT} & \ldots & 2 \end{array}\right\|$ | NAME | $\left\|\begin{array}{llll} 80 Y & \ldots . . . \\ \text { GRL } \ldots \ldots . & 2 \end{array}\right\|$ | $\left\|\begin{array}{c} \text { YES } \\ \text { NO } \\ \ldots \ldots \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ 223 \end{array}\right\|$ | AGE IN YEARS | $\left\|\begin{array}{llll} \text { YeS } \ldots . . & 1 \\ \text { No } \ldots \ldots & 1 \end{array}\right\|$ | UNE NUMBER <br> $!$ <br> next PREGNANCY | DAYS $\qquad$ 1 <br> MOWTHS $\qquad$ <br> YEARS $\qquad$ 3 $\square$ |
| 14 MONTH …….....1 |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { YES ............... } 1 \\ & \text { No } . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . ~ \end{aligned}$ |  | $\left\|\begin{array}{lll} \text { SING } & . . & 1 \\ \text { MULT } & . . & 2 \end{array}\right\|$ | NAME | $\left\|\begin{array}{lll} 80 Y & \ldots . . & 1 \\ \operatorname{GIRL} & \ldots . . & 2 \end{array}\right\|$ | $\left\|\begin{array}{ccc} \text { YES } & \ldots . & 1 \\ \text { NO } & \ldots . & 2 \\ & 1 \\ & 223 \end{array}\right\|$ | AGE IN YEARS | $\left\|\begin{array}{ccc} \text { Yes } \ldots . . & 1 \\ \text { NO } \ldots . . & 2 \end{array}\right\|$ | UNE NUMBER <br> $!$ <br> NEXT PREGNANCY | DAYS <br> MONTHS $\qquad$ <br> YEARS $\qquad$ <br>  |
| $15$ $\begin{aligned} & \text { MONTH } \\ & \text { YEAR } . . . \end{aligned}$ |  |  |  | $\left\|\begin{array}{lll} \operatorname{SING} & \ldots & 1 \\ \text { MULT } & \ldots & 2 \end{array}\right\|$ | NAME | $\left\lvert\, \begin{aligned} & \text { BOY } \ldots . . . . \\ & \text { GRL ..... } 2 \end{aligned}\right.$ | $\left(\left.\begin{array}{ccc} \text { YES } & \ldots .1 \\ \text { NO } & \ldots & 1 \\ & 1 \\ & 223 \end{array} \right\rvert\,\right.$ | AGE IN YEARS | $\left\|\begin{array}{llll} \text { YES } \ldots . & 1 \\ \text { NO } & \ldots & \ldots & 2 \end{array}\right\|$ | LINE NUMBER $\square$ <br> I <br> NEXT PREGNANCY | DAYS $\qquad$ 1 <br> MONTHS $\qquad$ <br> YEARS $\qquad$ 3 $\square$ |
| $16$ |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { YES } \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \\ & \text { NO } \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots . . \\ & 2 \end{aligned}$ | $\left.\begin{array}{lll}\text { LIVE BIRTH } & . . . . . . . . . . . . . . ~ \\ \text { ABORTION ......... } 2 & - \\ \text { MISCARRIAGE } & \ldots . . .3 & - \\ \text { STILLBIRTH ....... } 4 & - \\ \text { NEXT PREGNANCY } & \longleftarrow\end{array}\right]$ | $\left\|\begin{array}{lll} \text { Sing } & \ldots & 1 \\ \text { MULT } & \ldots & 2 \end{array}\right\|$ | NAME | $\left\|\begin{array}{lll} \text { BOY } \ldots . . . & 1 \\ \text { GIRL } & \ldots . . . & 2 \end{array}\right\|$ | $\left\|\begin{array}{ccc} \text { YES } & \ldots .1 \\ \text { NO } & \ldots .2 \\ & 1 \\ & 223 \end{array}\right\|$ | AGEINYEARS | $\left\|\begin{array}{cccc} \text { YES } & \ldots & 1 \\ \text { NO } & \ldots & . & 2 \end{array}\right\|$ | LINE NUMBER NEXT PREGNANCY | DAYS $\qquad$ 1 <br> MONTHS $\qquad$ 2 <br> YEARS $\qquad$ $\square$ <br> NEXT PREGNANCY |



226 CHECK 212 AND 213, AND ENTER THE NUMBER OF BIRTHS N JANUARY 1994 OR LATER. IF NONE, RECORD ' 0 '.

227 FOR EACH PREGNANCY THAT ENDED IN JANUARY 1994 OR LATER IN COLUMN 1 OF THE CALENDAR ENTER THE CODE OF THE PREGNANCY OUTCOME IN THE MONTH OF PREGNANCY ENDED:

- 'B' FOR LIVE BIRTHS
- 'S' FOR STILBIRTH
. 4 FOR MISCARRIAGE

' $D$ ' $\operatorname{INDUCED~ABORT~BY~D\& C,~}$
v' $\operatorname{INDUCED~ABORT~BY~VACUUM~ASPIRATION.~}$
THEN ASK THE NUMBER OF MONTHS THAT EACH PREGNANCY LASTED. RECORD "P" IN EACH OF THE PRECEDING MONTHS OF CALENDAR ACCORDING TO THE DURATION OF PREGNANCY. (NOTE: THE NUMBER OF 'P'S MUST BE ONE LESS THAN THE NUMBER OF MONTHS THAT THE PREGNANCY LASTED.) FINALYY, FOR EACH BIRTH WRTIE THE NAME OF THE CHILD TO THE LEFT OF THE 'B' CODE.
FOR EACH ABORTION ASK WHERE ABORTION WAS PERFORMED AND IN COLUMN 5 ENTER THE CODE FOR THE FACIITYY.

| No. | QUESTIONS AND FILTERS | CODING CATEGORIES | SKIP |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 228 | Are you pregnant now? |  | $1-231$ |
| 229 | How many months pregnant are you? <br> RECORD NUMBER OF COMPLETED MONTHS. <br> ENTER 'P'S IN COLUMN 1 OF CALENDAR, BEGINNING WTH THE MONTH OF INTERVIEW AND FOR TOTAL NUMBER OF COMPLETED MONTHS. | MONTHS . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . $\square$ |  |
| 229A | During this pregnancy, were you given or did you buy any iron tablets for prevention and treatment of anemia? SHOW TABLET. |  | 1,229C |
| 2298 | During the whole pregnancy, for how many days did you take the tablets? | NUMBER DAYS <br> DONT KNOW |  |
| 229 C | Are you curenty taking the tablets |  |  |
| 230 | At the time you became pregnant did you want to become pregnant then, did you want to wait until later, or did you not want to have any (more) children at all? |  |  |
| 231 | When did your last menstrual period start? $\qquad$ <br> (DATE, IF GIVEN) |  |  |
| 232 | From one menstrual period to the next, is there a time when a woman is more likely to become pregnantif she has sexual relations? |  | -301 |
| 233 | Is this time just before her period begins, during her perlod, right after her period has ended, or half way between two periods? |  |  |

## SECTION 3. CONTRACEPTION

| Now I would fike to talk about family planning - the various ways or methods that a couple can use to delay or avoid a pregnancy. CIRCLE CODE 1 IN 301 FOR EACH METHOD MENTIONED SPONTANEOUSLY. THEN PROCEED DOWN COLUMN 301, READING THE NAME AND DESCRIPTION OF EACH METHOD NOT MENTIONED SPONTANEOUSLY. CIRCLE CODE 1 IF METHOD IS RECOGNIZED, AND CODE 2 IF NOT RECOGNIZED. THEN, FOR EACH METHOD WITH CODE 1 CIRCLED IN 304 , ASK 302. |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 301 | Which ways or methods have you heard about? FOR METHODS NOT MENTIONED SPONTANEOUSLY, ASK: Have you ever heard of (METHOD)? |  | 302 Have you ever used (METHOD)? |
| 01 | FEMALE STERILIZATION Women can have an operation to avoid having any more children. | YES $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$ NO $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$ | Have you ever had an operation to avoid having any more children? $\qquad$ <br> NO 2 |
| 02 | MALE STERILIZATION Men can have an operation to avoid having any more children. | YES $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$ NO $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$ | Have you ever had a partner who had an operation to avoid having children? <br>  |
| 03 | PILL Women can take a pilito avoid pregnancy. |  |  |
| 04 | IUD Women can have a loop or coil placed inside them by a doctor or a nurse. | YES $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$ NO $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$ |  |
| 05 | INJECTIONS Women can have an injection by a doctor or nurse which stops them from becoming pregnant for several months. | YES $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$ NO $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$ |  |
| 06 | IMPLANTS Wonen can have several small rods placed in their upper arm by a doctor or nurse which can prevent pregnancy for several years. |  |  |
| 07 | CONDOM Men can puta a nbber sheath on their penis before sexual intercourse. | YES $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$ NO $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$ |  |
| 08 | FEMALE CONDOM. Women can place a nubber sheath in their vagina before intercourse |  |  |
| 09 | DIAPHRAGM, Women can place a diaphragm in their vagina before intercourse. |  |  |


| 10 | FOAM AND GELIY. Women can place a suppository, jelly or cream in their vagina before intercourse. |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 11 | LACTATIONAL AMENORRHEA METHOD (LAM) Women can use a specially taught method of pregnancy avoidance to delay the retum of the menstrual period by feeding their chiid nothing but breast milk for up to six montis after a bitth. |  |  | $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots . . . .$. |
| 12 | RHYTHM OR PERIODIC ABSTINENCE Every month that a woman is sexually active she can avoid having sexual intercourse on the days of the month she is most likely to get pregnant. |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { YES } \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \\ & \text { NO } \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \end{aligned}$ |  |
| 13 | WITHDRAWAL Men can be careful and pull out before dimax. |  |  |  |
| 14 | EMERGENCY CONTRACEPTION Women can take pills the day after sexual intercourse to avoid becoming pregnant | YES $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$ NO $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$ |  | $\ldots . . . . . . . . . . .1$ |
| 15 | Have you heard of any other ways or methods that women or men can use to avoid pregnancy? |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { YES } \\ & \text { NO. } \\ & \text { YES } \\ & \text { NO. } \end{aligned}$ |  |
| 303 | CHECK 302: <br> NOT A SINGLE 'res'(NEVER USED) | AST ONE ҮES" USED) |  | $\rightarrow 307$ |
| 304 | Have you ever used anything or tied in any way to delay or awoid getting pregnant? |  | ................. 1 | $\rightarrow 306$ |
| 305 | ENTER 'O' IN COLUMN 1 OF CALENDAR IN EACH BLANK MONTH. |  |  | $\rightarrow 327$ |
| 306 | What have you used or done? <br> CORRECT 302 AND 303 (AND 301 IF NECESSARY). |  |  |  |
| 307 | Now I would like to ask you about the first time that you did something or used a method to avoid getting pregnant. How many living children did you have at that time, if any? <br> IF NONE, RECORD 'OO'. | NUMBER OF CHILDREN ...... | $\ldots$ |  |


| NO. | QUESTIONS AND FILTERS | CODING CATEGORIES | SKIP |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 308 | CHECK 302 (01): <br> WOMAN STERILIZED |  | - +309 |
| 308A | Was the sterilization done with pupose of medical indications or family planning? |  | $[\rightarrow 311 A$ |
| 309 | CHECK 228: <br> NOT PREGNANT OR UNSURE | ANT $\square$ | $\rightarrow 319$ |
| 310 | Are you currently doing something or using any method to delay or avoid getting pregnant? |  | -319 |
| 311 | Which method are you using? |  | $\begin{aligned} & n .313 \\ & f-318 \end{aligned}$ |
| 311A | CIRCLE 'A' FOR FEMALE STERILIZATION. <br> IF MORE THAN ONE METHOD MENTIONED, FOLLOW SKIP INSTRUCTION FOR HIGHEST METHOD. | CONDOM <br> FEMALE CONDOM <br> DIAPHRAGM <br> FOAMJELLY <br> LACT. AMEN. METHOD <br> PERIODIC ABSTINENCE <br> WITHDRAWAL $\qquad$ <br> OTHER $\qquad$ X <br> (SPECIFY) | $+-312 C$ |
| 312 | May I see the package of pills you are now using? <br> RECORD NAME OF BRAND IF PACKAGE IS SEEN | PACKAGE SEEN $\qquad$ <br> BRAND NAME $\qquad$ <br> PACKAGE NOT SEEN $\qquad$ | -.3128 |


| 312A | Do you know the brand name of the pills you are now using? RECORD NAME OF BRAND. | GRAND NAME $\qquad$ <br> DON'T KNOW . $\qquad$ |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 3128 | How much does one packet of pills cost you? |  | $\rightarrow 318$ |
| 312 C | May I see the package of condoms you are now using? <br> RECORD NAME OF BRANDIF PACKAGE IS SEEN | PACKAGE SEEN $\qquad$ . 1 <br> BRAND NAME $\qquad$ $\square$ <br> PACKAGE NOT SEEN $\qquad$ | $\int_{-312 E}$ |
| 312D | Do you know the brand name of the condoms you are now using? RECORD NAME OF BRAND. | gRAND NAME <br> DON'T KNOW |  |
| 312E | How much does one packet of condoms cost you? | COST <br> FREE $\qquad$ <br> DON'T KNOW $\qquad$ 9998 | $\mid \rightarrow 318$ |


| 313 | Where did the sterilization take place? <br> IF SOURCE IS HOSPITAL, POLYCLINIC, FGP OR WOMEN'S CONSULTING CENTER, WRITE THE NAME OF THE PLACE. PROBE TO IDENTIFY THE TYPE OF SOURCE AND CIRCLE THE APPROPRIATE CODE. | ```PUBLIC SECTOR HOSPITAL .............................................. }1 POLYCLINIC ........................................ . . . . .  FGP .............................................. . }1 WOMENS CONSULTING CENTER .................... }1 OTHER PUBLIC (SPECIFY) PRIVATE MEDICAL SECTOR PRV. HOSPITALCLINIC . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 21 PRV.DOCTOR . ....................................... . 23 OTHER PRIVATE MEDICAL``` $\qquad$ <br> ```26 \\ OTHER``` $\qquad$ <br> ```96 \\ DONT KNOW (SPECIFY)None``` |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 314 | Before the steritization operation, were (youlyour husbandyour parter) told that you would not be able to have any (more) chikdren? |  |
| 316 | In what month and year was the sterilization performed? | MONTH <br> YEAR $\square$ |
| 317 | CHECK 316: <br> STERLLIZED BEFORE <br> JANUARY 1994 <br> ENTER CODE FOR STERILIZATION WN MONTH OF INTERVIEW IN COLUMN 1 OF THE CALENDAR AND EACH MONTH BACK TO JANUARY 1994 <br> THEN SKIP TO $\longrightarrow 320$ | STERILIZED IN JANUARY 1994 <br> ORLATER <br> ENTER CODE FOR STERILIZATION IN MONTH OF INTERVIEW IN COLUMN 1 OF THE CALENDAR AND IN EACH MONTH BACK TO THE DATE OF THE OPERATION. <br> ENTER METHOD SOURCE CODE IN COLUMN 2 OF CALENDAR IN MONTH OF DATE OF OPERATION. <br> THEN SKIP TO $\longrightarrow 319$ |

 OF CURRENT METHOD BEGAN.

ILLUSTRATIVE QUESTIONS: - When did you start using this method continuously?

- How long have you been using this method continuously?
-When you slarted using this method, where did you obtain it?
I would like to ask you some questions about the times you or your partner may have used a method to avoid getting pregnant during the last few years.
USE CALENDAR TO PROBE FOR EARLIER PERIODS OF USE AND NONUSE, STARTING WITH MOST RECENT USE BACK TO JANUARY 1994. USE NAMES OF CHILDREN, DATES OF BIRTH, AND PERIODS OF PREGNANCY AS REFERENCE POINTS.

IN COLUMN 1, ENTER METHOD USE CODE OR ' 0 ' FOR NONUSE IN EACH BLANK MONTH.

## ILLUSTRATIVE QUESTIONS

COLUMN I: - 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 2, ENTER METHOD SOURCE CODE IN FIRST MONTH OF EACH USE.
ILLUSTRATIVE QUESTIONS:
COLUMN 2: - Where did you obtain the method when you started using it?

- Where did you get advice on how to use the method [for LAM, rhythm, or withdrawal]?

IN COLUMN 3, ENTER CODES FOR DISCONTINUATION NEXT TO LAST MONTH OF USE.
NUMBER OF CODES IN COLUMN 3 MUST BE SAME AS NUMBER OF INTERRUPTIONS OF METHOD USE IN COLUMN 1.

ASK WHY SHE STOPPED USING THE METHOD. IF A PREGNANCY FOLLOWED, ASK WHETHER SHE BECAME PREGNANT UNINTENTIONALLY WHILE USING THE METHOD OR DELIBERATELY STOPPED TO GET PREGNANT

ILLUSTRATIVE QUESTIONS:
COLUMN 3: - 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?

IF DELIBERATELY STOPPED TO BECOME PREGNANT, ASK

- How many months did it take you to get pregnant after you stopped using (METHOD)? AND ENTER ' 0 ' $\mathbb{N}$ EACH SUCH MONTH IN COLUMN

| No. | QUESTIONS AND FILTERS | CODING CATEGORIES | SKIP |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 320 | CHECK 311ß11A: <br> CIRCLE METHOD CODE: |  |  |
| 321 | CHECK COLUMN 1 OF CALENDAR FOR LENGTH OF USE OF CURRENT METHOD: <br> STARTED USING AFTER <br> JANUARY 1994 $\square$ | USING IN JANUARY 1994 E | $\rightarrow 325$ |
| 322 | You first obtained (CURRENT METHOD) from (SOURCE OF METHOD FROM CALENDAR) on (DATE). At that time, were you told about side effects or problems you might have with the method? | $\text { YES ............................................ } 1$ | - 324 |
| 323 | Were you tod what to do if you experienced side effects? |  |  |
| 324 | When you were given the (CURRENT METHOD), were you told about other methods of family planning which you could use? | $\begin{array}{\|l} \text { YES } . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . ~ \\ 1 \\ \text { NO ............................................ } 2 \end{array}$ |  |
| 325 | CHECK 311/311A: CIRCLE METHOD CODE: |  | $\begin{gathered} \underset{\sim}{-327} \\ \rightarrow 401 \\ \rightarrow 401 \end{gathered}$ |


| 326 | Where did you obtain (CURRENT METHOD) the last time? <br> IF SOURCE IS HOSPITAL, POLYCLINIC, FGP, OR WOMEN'S CONSULTING CENTER, WRITE THE NAME OF THE PLACE. PROBE TO IDENTIFY THE TYPE OF SOURCE AND CIRCLE THE APPROPRIATE CODE. | PUBLIC SECTOR $\qquad$ <br> POLYCLINIC . ........................................... 12 <br> FGP . .............................................. 13 <br> WOMENS CONSULTING CENTER ..................... 14 <br> PHARMACY ............................................ 15 <br> OTHER PUBLIC $\qquad$ 16 <br> (SPECIF) <br> PRIVATE MEDICAL SECTOR <br> PRV. HOSPITALICLINIC . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 21 <br> PHARMACY............................................ 22 <br> PRV. DOCTOR $\qquad$ 23 <br> OTHER PRIVATE <br> MEDICAL $\qquad$ 26 <br> OTHER $\qquad$ 96 <br> (SPECIF) <br> DONT KNOW | $-329$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 327 | Do you know of a place where you can obtain a method of family planning? |  | $\rightarrow 329$ |
| 328 | Where is that? <br> IF SOURCE IS HOSPITAL, POLYCLINIC, FGP, OR WOMENS CONSULTING CENTER, WRITE THE NAME OF THE PLACE. PROBE TO IDENTIFY THE TYPE OF SOURCE AND CIRCLE THE APPROPRIATE CODE. |  <br> PRIVATE MEDICAL SECTOR <br> PRV. HOSPITALCLINIC . ................................. . 21 <br> PHARMACY............................................ 22 <br> PRV.DOCTOR ......................................... 23 <br> OTHER PRIVATE <br> MEDICAL $\qquad$ 26 <br> OTHER $\qquad$ 96 <br> DONT KNOW |  |


| No. | QUESTIONS AND FILTERS | CODING CATEGORIES | SKIP |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 329 | In the last 12 months, were you visited by a field worker who talked to you about family planning? |  |  |
| 330 | In the last 12 months, have you attended a heath faccily for care for yourself (or your ctildren)? |  | $\rightarrow 333$ |
| 331 | Did any staff member at the heath facility speak to you about family planning methods? |  |  |
| 333 | CHECK 301 <br> KNOWS IUD | S IUD | $\rightarrow 338$ |
| 334 | Women see advantages and disadvantages of different methods of bith control. Please tell me whether you think that each of these me | dds of bith control is a problem is not a problem |  |
|  | Let's begin with the IUD. <br> How easy is lo get an IUD? Is it to problem to get it? |  |  |
| 335 | Do you think that the IUD is a reliable method of contraception? |  |  |
| 336 | Are any heath problems or side effects with the IUD that would make you reluctant to use it? |  |  |
| 337 | Is the monetary cost to having an IUD inserted a problem for you? |  |  |
| 338 | CHECK 301AND 302 <br> KNOWS PILLS <br> DOESN'T KNOWS PJLS | $\square$ | $\rightarrow 346$ |
| 339 | Could you tell me the brand name of any contraceptive pills? <br> RECORD NAME OF BRAND |  |  |


| 340 | To be protected from getting pregnant does a woman need to take pills <br> Every day <br> Once in a week <br> Once in a month? |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 341 | How easy is it to get pills? Is it a problem to get them? |  |  |
| 342 | Do you think that pills are a reliable method of contraception? |  |  |
| 343 | Are any health problerms or side effects with pils that would make you relucatant to use them? |  |  |
| 344 | Is the monetary cost of pilts a problem for you? |  |  |
| 346 | Now lets taik about induced abortion during the first few weeks or months of pregnancy which as you know is one of the methods of controling fertity. |  |  |
|  | If a woman decided to have an abortion, how easy would it be for her to get one? Would it be easy or difficut? |  | $f_{1}-348$ |
| 347 | What would be the main difficutly? | —— $\quad$ IT |  |
| 348 | Do you think that there are heath problerms or side effects with induced abortion? |  |  |
| 349 | is there any monetary cost to having an abortion that would be a problem? |  |  |


| No. | QUESTIONS AND FILTERS | CODING CATEGORIES | SKIP |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 350 | Do you approve or disapprove of a woman having an abortion? |  |  |
| 351 | Would you have an abortion if you unintentionally become pregnant sometimes in the future? |  |  |
| 352 | Woukd you prefer to use a method in the future or rety on abortion, or do neither? |  |  |
| 353 | (SHOW RED APPLE LOGO) Have you ever seen this symbol? |  | - 357 |
| 354 | What does this symbol mean? |  |  |
| 355 | Where have you seen this logo? <br> AFTER RECORDING SPONTANEOUS RESPONSE, <br> PROBE FOR EACH LOCATION NOT SPONTANEOUSLY MENTIONED <br> SPONTANEOUS RESPONSE | PROBED RECOGNITION NOT SEEN <br> $2^{2^{2}} 2^{2^{2}}$ $2^{2}$ <br> $2^{3}$ $3^{3}$ <br> $3^{3}$  <br> $3^{3}$  <br> $3^{3}$  |  |
| 357 | Have you ever heard of the Red Apple hotine: this is a phone number you can call to get advice on reproductive heath issues? |  | $\rightarrow 401$ |


| 358 | Have you ever made a phone call to the Red Apple Hotine? |  | - 360 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 359 | Were you satisfed with the information you received when you called the Red Apple Hotine? |  | $\begin{aligned} & \rightarrow 401 \\ & \rightarrow \quad 401 \end{aligned}$ |
| 360 | Have you ever considered making a call to Red Apple Hotine? |  |  |

SECTION 4A. PREGNANCY, POSTNATAL CARE AND BREASTFEEDING

| 401 | CHECK 226: |  |  | $\rightarrow 486$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 402 | ENTER THE LINE NUMBER, NAME, AND SURVVVAL STATUS OF EACH BIRTH SINCE JANUARY 1994 IN THE TABLE. ASK THE QUESTIONS ABOUT ALL OF THESE BIRTHS. BEGIN WITH THE LAST BIRTH. <br> Now I would like to ask you some questions abort the health of all your children bom in the last five years. (We will talk about each separately) |  |  |  |
| 403 | LINE NUMBER FROM 212 | LAST BIRTH <br> LINE NUMBER $\qquad$ $\square$ | NEXT-TOLAST BIRTH <br> LINE NUMBER $\qquad$ $\square$ | NEXT-TONEXT-TO-LAST BIRTH <br> LINE NUMBER $\qquad$ $\square$ |
| 404 | FROM 217 AND 219 | name <br> ALIVE <br> DEAD | name $\qquad$ <br> ALIVE $\square$ DEAD | NAME $\qquad$ <br> ALIVE $\square$ dEAD |
| 405 | At the time you became pregnant with (NAME), did you want to become pregnant then, did you want to wait until later, or did you want no (more) children at all? |  |  |  |
| 406 | How much longer would you like to have waited? | MONTHS $\qquad$ .1 <br> YEARS $\square$ <br> DONT KNOW $\qquad$ | MONTHS $\qquad$ .1 <br> YEARS $\square$ <br> DONT KNOW $\qquad$ 998 <br> ALL CATEGORIES SHOULD (SKIP TO 422) | MONTHS $\qquad$ 1 YEARS $\square$ DONT KNOW $\qquad$ 998 <br> ALL CATEGORIES SHOULD (SKIP TO 422), $\qquad$ |



|  |  | LAST BIRTH <br> NAME | NAME | NEXT-TOLAST BIRTH | NEXT-TO-NEXT-TOLAST BIRTH NAME $\qquad$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 411 | How many months pregnant were you the last time you received antenatal care? | MONTHS $\qquad$ DONTKNOW $\square$ |  |  |  |
| 412 | During this pregnancy, were any of the following done at least once? <br> Were you weighed? <br> Was your height measured? <br> Was your blood pressure measured? <br> Did you give a urine sample? <br> Did you glve a blood sample? |  |  |  |  |
| 413 | Were you toid about the signs of pregnancy complications? |  |  |  |  |
| 414 | Were you tod where to go if you had these problems? |  |  |  |  |
| 416 | During this pregnancy, were you given or did you buy any iron tablets? <br> SHOW TABLET. |  |  |  |  |
| 417 | During the whole pregnancy, for how many days did you take the tablets? | NUMBER OFDAYS $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots . .$$\square$ <br> DONT KNOW $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots .$. |  |  |  |


| 422 | When (NAME) was bom, was hesishe: very large, larger than average, average, smalier than average, or very small? |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 423 | Was (NAME) weighed at bitt? |  |  |  |
| 424 | How much did (NAME) weigh? <br> RECORD WEIGHT FROM HEALTH CARD, IF AVAILABLE. | GRAMS FROM <br> CARD . $\qquad$ 1 <br> GRAMS FROM <br> RECALL $\qquad$ 2 $\square$ <br> DONT KNOW $\qquad$ 99998 | GRAMS FROM <br> CARD . $\qquad$  $\square$ <br> GRAMS FROM <br> RECALL $\qquad$ 2 $\square$ <br> DONT KNOW $\qquad$ 99998 | GRAMS FROM <br> CARD $\qquad$ <br> GRAMS FROM <br> RECALL $\qquad$ 2 <br> DONT KNOW $\qquad$ 99998 |
| 425 | Who assisted with the delivery of (NAME)? <br> Anyone else? <br> PROBE FOR THE TYPE OF PERSON AND RECORD ALL PERSONS ASSISTING. |  |  |  |




|  | . | LAST BIRTH <br> NAME | NEXT-TOLAST BIRTH <br> NAME $\qquad$ | NEXT-TO-NEXT-TOLAST BIRTH <br> NAME $\qquad$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 435 | For how many montts after the birth of (NAME) did you not have a period? | MONTHS $\qquad$ $\square$ <br> DONT KNOW $\qquad$ | MONTHS $\qquad$ $\square$ <br> DONT KNOW $\qquad$ | MONTHS $\qquad$ <br> DONT KNOW $\qquad$ |
| 436 <br> 437 | CHECK 226: RESPONDENT PREGNANT? Have you resumed sexual retations since the bith of (NAME)? | NOTPREG-NANT $\square \quad$PREGNANT <br> OR UNSURE <br> (SKIP TO 438) 4 <br> (SKIP TO 439) |  |  |
| 438 | For how many months after the birth of (NAME) did you not have sexual relations? | MONTHS $\qquad$ $\square$ <br> DONT KNOW $\qquad$ 98 | MONTHS $\qquad$ $\square$ <br> DONT KNOW $\qquad$ | MONTHS $\qquad$ $\square$ <br> DONT KNOW $\qquad$ |
| 439 | Did you ever breastieed (NAME)? |  <br> (SKIP TO 444)- |  <br> (SKIP TO 444) |  |
| 440 | How long after bith did you first put (NAME) to the breast? <br> IF LESS THAN 1 HOUR, RECORD ' $00^{\prime}$ HOURS. IF LESS THAN 24 HOURS, RECORD HOURS. OTHERWISE, RECORD DAYS. | IMMEDIATELY $\qquad$ 000 <br> MINUTES <br> HIOURS $\qquad$ 1 <br> DAYS $\qquad$ 2 | IMMEDIATELY $\qquad$ 000 <br> MINUTES <br> HIOURS $\qquad$ <br> DAYS $\qquad$ | IMMEDLATELY $\qquad$ 000 <br> MINUTES <br> HIOURS $\qquad$ 1 <br> DAYS $\qquad$ 2 |
| 441 | CHECK 404: <br> CHILD ALIVE? | ALIVE $\quad \square \quad$ DEAD $\square$ | ALIVE $\begin{gathered} \text { DEAD } \\ \text { (SKIP TO 443) }=- \end{gathered}$ | ALIVE $\square$ |
| 442 | Are you still breastleeding (NAME)? |  |  |  |
| 443 | For how many months did you breastfeed (NAME)? | MONTHS $\qquad$ $\square$ <br> DONT KNOW $\qquad$ | MONTHS $\qquad$ $\square$ <br> DONT KNOW $\qquad$ | MONTHS $\qquad$ <br> DONT KNOW $\qquad$ |


| 444 | CHECK 404: <br> CHILD ALIVE? |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 445 | How many times did you breasteed last night between sunset and sunnise? <br> IF ANSWER IS NOT NUMERIC, PROBE FOR APPROXIMATE NUMBER. | NUMEER OF NIGHTTIME FEEDINGS $\qquad$ $\square$ | NUMBER OF NIGHTTMME FEEDINGS $\qquad$ $\square$ | NUMBER OF NIGHTTIME FEEDINGS .......... $\square \square$ |
| 446 | How many times did you breasteed yesterday during the dayight: hours? <br> IF ANSWER IS NOT NUMERIC, PROBE FOR APPROXIMATE NUMBER. | NUMBER OF <br> DAYLIGHT FEEDINGS $\qquad$ $\square$ | NUMBER OF <br> DAYLIGHT FEEDINGS $\qquad$ $\square$ | NUMBER OF DAYLIGHT FEEDINGS . . . . . . . . . $\quad \square$ |
| 447 | Did (NAME) drink anything from a bottle with a nipple yesterday or last night? |  |  |  |




## SECTION AB. IMMUNIZATION AND HEALTH

| 451 | ENTER THE NAME AND LINE NUMBER OF EACHLIVING CHILD BORN SINCE JANUARY 1994 IN THE TABLE. ASK THE QUESTIONS ABOUT ALL OF THESE CHILDREN. BEGIN WITH THE YOUNGEST CHILD. |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 452 | LINE NUMBER FROM 212 | LAST BIRTH <br> LINE NUMEER $\qquad$ $\square$ | NEXT-TOLAST BIRTH <br> LINE NUMBER $\qquad$ $\square$ | NEXT-TO- NEXT-TO-LAST BIRTH <br> LINE NUMBER $\qquad$ $\square$ |
| 453 | FROM 212 AND 216 |  |  |  |
| 454 | Did (NAME) receive a Vitamin A/polyvitamins dose like this during the last 6 months? <br> SHOW AMPULEICAPSULE OR TABLETS |  |  |  |
| 455 | Do you have a card where (NAME'S) vaccinations are witten down? <br> IF YES: May I see it please? |  |  |  |
| 456 | Did you ever have a vaccination card for (NAME)? |  |  |  |



| 465 | When (NAME) had an illness with a cough, did he/she breathe faster than usual with short, fast breaths? |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | $\qquad$ <br> NAME | NEXT-TO-LAST BIRTH <br> NAME | NEXT-TO-NEXT-TO-LAST BIRTH <br> NAME $\qquad$ |
| 466 | CHECK 463 AND 464: FEVER OR COUGH? |  |  |  |
| 467 | Did you seek advice or treatment for the illness? |  |  |  |
| 467A | What signs or symptoms led you to seek advice or treatment? | WHEN HESHE: <br> HAS BLOCKED NOSE .........................A <br> HAS TROUBLE SLEEPINGEATING ............. B <br> HASA FEVER ................................ $C$ <br> IS BREATHING FAST ............................. D IS ILLFORA LONG TIME <br> OTHER $\qquad$ $x$ $Z$ | WHEN HESHE: <br> HAS BLOCKED NOSE ....................... A <br> HAS TROUBLE SLEEPING/EATING ............ B <br> HASAFEVER ............................... ${ }^{\text {C }}$ <br> IS BREATHING FAST .................................... E IS ILLFORALONG TIME..............$~$ <br> OTHER $\qquad$ x <br> DONT KNOW (SPECI....... <br> $z$ | WHEN HESHE: <br> hAS BLOCKEDNOSE ................ A <br> has TROUBLE SLEEPING/EATING .... B <br> HASA FEVER ........................ C <br> IS BREATHING FAST ................... D <br> ISILL FORA LONG TIME .............. E <br> OTHER $\qquad$ x <br> DON'T KNOW <br> (SPECIFY) |
| 468 | Where did you seek advice or treatment? Anywhere else? <br> RECORD ALL MENTIONED. |  | OTHER SOURCE <br> TRAD. PRACTITIONER ..................... K <br> OTHER $\qquad$ X |  |


| 472 | Has (NAME) had diartee in the last 2 weeks? |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 473 | When (NAME) had diarthea, was helshe given less than usual to drink, about the same amount, or more than usual to dink? |  |  |  |
| 474 | Was hershe given less than usual to eat, about the same amount, or more than usual to eat? |  |  |  |
| 475 | Was helshe given any of the following to drink: <br> A fuid, made from a special packet called REHYDRON? <br> Water? <br> Milk or Infant formula? <br> Soup? <br> Keir, airan? <br> Coca cola/Pepsi Cola/SpriteFFanta? <br> Other fluids? |  |  |  |
| 476 | Was anything (else) given to treat the diamea? |  |  |  |
| 477 | What was given to treat the diamea? <br> Anything else? <br> RECORD ALL MENTIONED |  |  |  |
| 478 | Did you seek advice or treatment for the diartea? |  |  |  |


| 479 | Where did you seek advice or treatment? <br> Anywhere else? <br> RECORD ALL MENTIONED. |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 480 |  | GO BACK TO 453 IN NEXT COLUMN; OR, IF NO MORE BIRTHS, GO TO 481. | GOBACK TO 453 IN NEXT COLUMN: OR, IF NO MORE BIRTHS, GO TO 481. | GO BACK TO 453 IN NEXT COLUMN; OR, IF NO MORE BIRTHS, GOTO 481. |


| No. | QUESTIONS AND FILTERS | CODING CATEGORIES | SKIP |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 481 | ONE OR MORE | BORN SINCE JANUARY 1994 <br> NONE | $\rightarrow 486$ |
| 482 | The last lime you fed your children, did you wash your hands immediately before feeding them? |  |  |
| 483 | The last time you had to dean (your child/one of your children) after (he/she) defecated, did you wash your hands immediatery afterwards? |  |  |
| 484 | What usually happens with your child(ren)'s stools when they do not use any toilet facility? |  |  |
| 485 | CHECK 475, ALL COLUMNS: <br> NOCHID RECEIVED ORS FROM PACKET | ANY CHID RECEIVED ORS FROM PACKET | $\rightarrow 487$ |
| 486 | Have you ever heard of a special product called [REHYDRON] you can get for the treatment of diarnea? |  |  |
| 487 | CHECK 221: <br> HAS ONE OR MORE CHILDREN LIVING WITH HER | HASNO CHILDREN LIVING WITHHER | $\rightarrow 491$ |
| 488 | When (your child/one of your children) is seriousty ill, can you decde by yourseff whether the child should be taken for medical treatment? |  |  |
| 491 | Do you currenty smoke cigarettes or tobacco? <br> IF YES: What type of tobacco do you smoke? |  | $\xrightarrow{-501}$ |
| 492 | In the last 24 hours, how many times did you smoke? | TIMES . .............................................. $\square$ |  |

SECTION 5. MARRIAGE AND SEXUAL ACTIVITY

| NO. | QUESTIONS AND FILTERS | CODING CATEGORIES | SKIP |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 501 | Are you currently married or fiving with a man? |  | $\xrightarrow{-1.505}$ |
| 502 | Have you ever been maried or lived with a man? |  | $\underset{\rightarrow 504}{\rightarrow}$ |
| 503 | ENTER '0' IN COLUMN 4 OF CALENDAR IN THE MONTH OF INTERVIEW, AND IN EACH MONTH BACK TO JANUARY 1994 |  | $\rightarrow$-516 |
| 504 | What is your marital status now. are you widowed, divorced, or separated? |  | H-509 |
| 505 | Is your husband/partner living with you now or is he staying elsewhere? | LIVING WITH HER .............................. 1 STAYING ELSEWHERE . . . . . . . . . . . . 2 |  |
| 506 | RECORD THE HUSBAND'S LINE NUMBER FROM THE HOUSEHOLD QUESTIONNAIRE. IF HE IS NOT LISTED IN THE HOUSEHOLD, RECORD 'OO'. |  |  |
| 509 | Have you been married or fived with a man only once, or more than once? | ONCE $\ldots . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . ~$ MORE THAN ONCE 2 |  |
| 510 | CHECK 509: <br> MARRIEDAIVED WITH A MAN <br> ONLY ONCE <br> In what month and year did you start lining with your husband/partner? <br> MARRIEDNIVED WITH A MAN MORE THAN ONLY ONCE <br> Now we will talk about your first husband/partner. In what month and year did you start fiving with him? | MONTH $\qquad$ $\square$ <br> DONT KNOW MONTH 98 YEAR $\qquad$ $\square$ DONT KNOW YEAR $\qquad$ | $\rightarrow 512$ |
| 511 | How old were you when you started Eving with him? | AGE $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$. |  |


| NO. | QUESTIONS AND FILTERS | CODING CATEGORIES | SKIP |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 512 | DETERMINE MONTHS MARRIED OR LIVING WITH A MAN SINCE JANUARY 1994. ENTER 'X' IN COLUMN 4 OF CALENDAR FOR EACH MONTH MARRIED OR L MONTH NOT MARRIEDNOT LIVING WITH A MAN, SINCE JANUARY 1994. <br> FOR WOMEN WITH MORE THAN ONE UNION: PROBE FOR DATE WHEN CURRENT UNION STARTED AND, IF APPROPRLATE, FOR STARTING AND TERMINA <br> FOR WOMEN NOT CURRENTLY IN UNION: PROBE FOR DATE WHEN LAST UNION STARTED AND FOR TERMINATION DATE AND, IF APPROPRIATE, FOR THE PREVIOUS UNIONS. | NG WITH A MAN, AND ENTER '0' FOR EACH <br> ON DATES OF ANY PREVIOUS UNIONS. <br> TARTING AND TERMINATION DATES OF ANY |  |
| 513 | CHECK 501: |  | $\rightarrow 516$ |
| 514 | CHECK 311ß11A: <br> ANY CODE <br> NOT ASKED CIRCLED (NO CODE CIRCLED) |  | $\rightarrow 516$ |
| 545 | You have told me that you are using contraception. Would you say that using contraception is mainly your decision, mainly your husband'spartner's decision or did you both decide together? | RESPONDENT ................................. 1 <br> HUSBAND/PARTNER . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 2 <br> JOINT DECISION .............................. 3 <br> OTHER $\qquad$ 6 <br> (SPECIFY) |  |
| 516 | Now I need to ask you some questions about sexual activity in order to gain a better understanding of some family life issues. How old were you when you first had sexual intercourse (if ever)? | NEVER $\qquad$ <br> AGE IN YEARS $\qquad$ $\square$ <br> FIRST TIME WHEN MARRIED $\qquad$ | $\rightarrow 526$ |
| 517 | When was the last time you had sexual intercourse? | DAYSAGO <br> WEEKS AGO <br> MONTHS AGO <br> YEARS AGO | $\rightarrow 526$ |


| NO. | QUESTIONS AND FILTERS | CODING CATEGORIES | SKIP |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 518 | The last time you had sexual intercourse, was a condom used? |  | 1.519 |
| 518A | What was the main reason you used a condom on that occasion? | OWN CONCERN, TO PREVENT STDHIV <br> OWN CONCERN, TO PREVENT PREGNANCY <br> OWN CONCERN TO PREVENT BOTH STD/HIV AND PREGNANCY DID NOT TRUST PARTNERNFEELS PARTNER HAS OTHER PARTNERS PARTNER INSISTED DON'T KNOW . <br> OTHER <br> 7 |  |
| 519 | What is your relationship to the man with whom you last had sex? |  | $\rightarrow 521$ |
| 520 | For how long have you had a sexual relationship with this man? | DAYS <br> WEEKS <br> MONTHS <br> YEARS $\qquad$ |  |
| 521 | Have you had sex with anyone else in the last 12 montts? | YES..............................................................$~$ NO 2 | $\rightarrow 526$ |
| 522 | The last time you had sexual intercourse with this other man, was a condom used? |  | 1.523 |


| NO. | QUESTIONS AND FILTERS | CODING CATEGORIES | SKIP |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 522A | What was the main reason you used a condom on that occasion? | OWN CONCERN, TO PREVENT STD/HV ............................. . 1 <br> OWN CONCERN, TO PREVENT PREGNANCY <br> OWN CONCERN TO PREVENT BOTH STDHIV AND PREGNANCY <br> DID NOT TRUST PARTNERFEELS <br> PARTNER HAS OTHER PARTNERS PARTNER INSISTED . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 5 DONT KNOW . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 6 <br> OTHER $\qquad$ 7 <br> (SPECIFY) |  |
| 523 | What is your relationship to this man? |  | $\rightarrow 525$ |
| 524 | For how long have you had a sexual relationship with this man? | DAYS <br> WEEKS <br> MONTHS <br> YEARS |  |
| 525 | Altogether, with how many different men have you had sex in the last 12 monts? | NUMBER OF PARTNERS .......... $\square$ |  |
| 526 | Do you know of a place where one can get condoms? |  | $\rightarrow 529$ |


| NO. | QUESTIONS AND FILTERS | CODING CATEGORIES | SKIP |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 527 | Where is that? <br> IF SOURCE IS POLYCLINIC, FGP, FAP, WOMEN'S CONSULTING CENTER (WCC), WRITE THE NAME OF THE PLACE. PROBE TO IDENTIFY THE TYPE OF SOURCE AND CIRCLE THE APPROPRLATE CODE. |  |  |
| 528 | If you wanted to, could you yoursell get a condom? |  |  |
| 529 | Do you krow of a place where one can get fermale condorms? |  | 601 |


| NO. | QUESTIONS AND FILTERS | CODING CATEGORIES | SKIP |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 530 | Where is that? <br> IF SOURCE IS POLYCLINIC, FGP, FAP, WOMENS CONSULTING CENTER (WCCO, WRITE THE NAME OF THE PLACE. PROBE TO IDENTIFY THE TYPE OF SOURCE AND CIRCLE THE APPROPRIATE CODE. |  |  |
| 531 | If you wanted to, could you yourself get a female condom? |  |  |

SECTION 6. FERTILITY PREFERENCES


| 606 | CHECK 603: |  | 610 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 607 | CHECK 602: |  |  |
| 608 | In the next few weeks, if you discovered that you were pregnant, would that be a big problem, a sman problem, or ro problem for you? |  |  |


| NO. | QUESTIONS AND FILTERS | CODING CATEGORIES | SKIP |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 609 | CHECK 310: USING A METHOD? <br> NOT <br> NOT CURRENTLY USING <br> CURRENLYUSING $\square$ $\square$ | $\square$ | $\rightarrow 614$ |
| 610 | Do you think you will use a method to delay or avoid pregnancy at any time in the future? |  | 1-612 |
| 619 | Which method would you prefer to use? |  | $+614$ |


| 612 | What is the main reason that you think you will not use a method at any fime in the future? | NOT CURRENTLY MARRIED <br> FERTHITYRELATED REASONS INFREQUENT SEX ...................... 22 SUBFECUNDINFECUND ................. 24 WANTS AS MANY CHILDREN AS POSSIBLE 26 <br> OPPOSTION TOUSE $\qquad$ <br> HUSBAND OPPOSED <br> OTHERS OPPOSED $\qquad$ <br> RELIGIOUS PROHIBTIION $\qquad$ <br> LACK OF KNOWLEDGE $\qquad$ <br> KNOWS NO SOURCE <br> METHOD-RELATED REASONS $\qquad$ FEAR OF SIDE EFFECTS $\qquad$ LACK OF ACCESSTOO FAR ............. 53 COST TOO MUCH INCONVENIENT TOUSE $\qquad$ <br> INTERFERES WITH BODY'S NORMAL PROCESSES........................... 56 <br> OTHER $\qquad$ 96 <br> (SPECIFY) <br> DONT KNOW . 98 | - $\underbrace{-614}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 613 | Would you ever use a method if you were married? |  |  |
| 614 | CHECK 219: <br> PROBE FOR A NUMERIC RESPONSE. | NUMBER $\qquad$ $\square$ <br> OTHER $\qquad$ 96 | 616 |


| 615 | How many of these children would you like to be boys, how many would you fike to be giris and for how many would it not matter? |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 616 | Would you say that you approve or disapprove of couples using a method to avoid geting pregnant? | APPROVE ................................. 1 DISAPPROVE ........................... 2 DONT KNOWUNSUR ............... |  |
| 617 | In the last few months have you heard about family planning: <br> On the radio? <br> On the television? <br> In a newspaper or magazine? |  |  |
| 619 | In the last few months, have you discussed the practice of family planning with your fiends, neighbors, or relatives? |  | $\rightarrow 621$ |
| 620 | With whom? <br> Anyone else? <br> RECORD ALL MENTIONED. |  |  |


| No. | QUESTIONS AND FILTERS | CODING CATEGORIES | SKIP |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 621 | CHECK 501: YES, CURRENLY MARRIED |  | $\rightarrow 25$ |
| 622 | Now I want to ask you about your husband's/partner's views on family planning. <br> Do you think that your husband/partner approves or disapproves of couples using a method to avoid pregnancy? |  |  |
| 623 | How oftern have you talked to your husband/parter about family planning in the past year? | NEVER .................................. 1 ONCE OR TWICE ............................ 3 MORE OFTEN ...................... |  |
| 624 | Do you think your husband/pather wants the same number of children that you want, or does he want more or fewert than you want? |  |  |
| 625 | Husbands and wives do not ahrays agree on everything. Please tell me if you think a wife is justifed in refusing to have sex with her husband when: <br> She is tired or not in the mood? <br> She has recently given birth? <br> She knows he has sex with other women? <br> She knows he has the AIDS virus? |  YES NO DK  <br>     <br> TIREDMOOD $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$. 1 2 8 <br> RECENT BIRTH $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$. 1 2 8 <br> OTHR WOMEN $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$ 1 2 8 <br> HAS THE AIDS VIRUS $\ldots \ldots .$. 1 2 8 |  |

SECTION 7. HUSBAND'S BACKGROUND AND WOMAN'S WORK

| NO. | QUESTIONS AND FJLTERS | CODING CATEGORIES | SKIP |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 701 | CHECK 501 AND 502 : <br> FORMERLY MARRIED $/$ <br> CURRENTLY MARRIED/ <br> LIVING WITH A MAN | NEVER MARRIED AND NEVER <br> LIVED WTH A MAN | $\underbrace{}_{\rightarrow 703} \rightarrow 703$ |
| 702 | How old was your husband/partner on his last birthday? | AGE IN COMPLETED YEARS .......... $\square$ |  |
| 703 | Did your (lasi) husband/parmer ever attend sctiool? |  | $\rightarrow 706$ |
| 704 | What was the highest level of school he attended: primary, secondary, secondary-special, or higher? |  | $\rightarrow 706$ |
| 705 | What was the highest (gradefform'year) he completed at that level? | GRADE $\qquad$ $\square$ <br> DONT KNOW $\qquad$ |  |
| 706 | CHECK 701: |  |  |
| 707 | Aside from your own housework, are you currently working? |  | $\rightarrow 710$ |
| 708 | As you know, some women take up jobs for which they are paid in cash or kind. Others sell things, have a small business or work on the family farm or in the family business. <br> Are you currentity doing any of these things or any other work? |  | $\rightarrow 710$ |




SECTION 8: AIDS AND OTHER SEXUALLY TRANSMITTED DISEASES

| NO. | QUESTIONS AND FILTERS | CODING CATEGORIES | SKIP |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 801 | Now I would like to talk about something else. Have you ever heard of an illness called AIDS? |  | $\rightarrow$-818 |
| 802 | Is there anything a person can do to avoid geting AIDS or the virus that causes AIDS? |  | $]^{\text {-810 }}$ |
| 803 | What can a person do? <br> Anything else? <br> RECORD ALL MENTIONED. | ABSTAIN FROM SEX . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . A <br> USE CONDOMS $\qquad$ <br> LIMIT SEX TO ONE PARTNERISTAY <br> FATHFUL TO ONE PARTNER ...... C <br> LIMIT NUMBER OF SEXUAL. PARTNERS D <br> AVOID SEX WTTH PROSTITUTES ..... E <br> AVOID SEX WITH PERSONS WHO HAVE <br> MANY PARTNERS $\qquad$ <br> AVOID SEX WTTH HOMOSEXUALS .... G <br> AVOID SEX WITH PERSONS WHO INJECT <br> DRUGS INTRAVENOUSLY ......... H <br> AVOID BLOOD TRANSFUSIONS ....... I <br> AVOID INJECTIONS ..................... J <br> AVOD KISSING ....................... K <br> AVOD MOSQUITO BITES $\qquad$ <br> SEEK PROTECTION FROM TRADITIONAL <br> HEALER $\qquad$ M <br> AVOID SHARING RAZORS, BLADES . $\qquad$ <br> OTHER <br> OTHER <br> DONT KNOW |  |
| 804 | Is it possible to avoid AIDS by having only one not infected sexual partner who doesn't have other sexual partners? |  |  |
| 805 | Is it possible to get AIDS through mosquito bite? |  |  |


| 806 | Is it possite to avoid AIDS using condom during every sexual intercourse? | $\begin{aligned} & \text { YES } \\ & \text { NO } \\ & \text { DONT } \end{aligned}$ |  | $\begin{aligned} & \hline \ldots .1 \\ & \ldots . \\ & \ldots .8 \end{aligned}$ |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 807 | Can a person get AIDS through eating together with sick person? | YES <br> NO . <br> DONT |  | $\begin{aligned} & \quad .1 \\ & \ldots . \\ & \ldots . \\ & \ldots .8 \end{aligned}$ |  |
| 808 | is it possible to prevent AIDS by abstain fom sexual intercourses at alt? | YES <br> NO <br> DOW |  | $\begin{aligned} & \begin{array}{r} 1 \\ \ldots .1 \\ \ldots .2 \\ \ldots .8 \end{array} \end{aligned}$ |  |
| 810 | Is it possible for a heathy-tooking person to have the AIDS virus? | YES <br> NO . <br> DONT |  | $\begin{aligned} & \\ & \ldots . \\ & \ldots \quad 2 \\ & \ldots . \end{aligned}$ |  |
| 811 | Do you know someone personally who has the virus that causes AIDS or someone who died from AIDS? |  | .... | $\begin{gathered} \ldots \\ \ldots \\ \ldots \end{gathered}$ |  |
| 812 | Can the vinus that causes AIDS be transmitted from a mother to a chide? | YES <br> NO . <br> DONT |  | $\begin{aligned} & \begin{array}{l} 1 \\ \ldots . \\ \ldots . \end{array} \\ & \ldots \ldots \end{aligned}$ | $]^{814}$ |
| 813 | When can the virus that causes AIDS be transmitted from a mother to a child? <br> Can it be transmitted... | YES <br> 1 <br> 1 <br> 1 | No <br> 2 <br> 2 <br> 2 | DK <br> 8 <br> 8 <br> 8 |  |



| 815 | Have you ever talked about ways to prevent getting the virus that causes AIDS with (your husbandithe man you are living with)? |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 815A | In your opinion, is it acceptable or unacceptable for AIDS to be discussed: | ACCEPT. UNACCEPT. DKNOT SURE |  |
|  | on the radio? on the TV? In newspapers? | $\begin{array}{lll} 1 & 2 & 8 \\ 1 & 2 & 8 \\ 1 & 2 & 8 \end{array}$ |  |
| 816 | If a person leams that he/she is infected with the virus that causes AIDS, should the person be allowed to keep this fact private or should this information be available to the community? | CAN BE KEPT PRIVATE ................ 1 AVALLABLE TO COMMUNITY ......... 2 DKNOT SURE ...................... 8 |  |
| 847 | If a relative of yours became sick with the virus that causes AIDS, would you be wiling to care for her or him in your own househoto? |  |  |
| 817 b | Should persons with the AIDS virus who works with other persons such as in a shop, office, or fam be allowed to continue their work or not? | CAN CONTINUE WORK SHOULD NOT CONTINUE WORK ......... 2 DKNOT SUREDEPENDS |  |
| 817 C | Should children aged 12-14 be taught about using a condom to avoid AIDS? | YES ............................ 1 NO ........................ 8 DKNOT SUREOEPENDS .......... 8 |  |
| 817d | Have you ever been tested to see if you have the AIDS vins? |  | $\rightarrow$-817gx |
| 817e | Would you want to be tested for the AIDS virus? |  |  |


| $817 f$ | Do you know a place where you could go to get an AIDS test? |  | $\rightarrow 818$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 817g | Where can you go for the test? |  |  |
| 817gx | Where did you go for the test? <br> IF SOURCE IS HOSPTAL, HEALTH CENTER, OR CLINIC, WRITE THE NAME OF THE PLACE. PROBE TO IDENTIFY THE TYPE OF SOURCE AND CIRCLE THE APPROPRIATE CODE. | DIAGNOSTIC CENTER ......... 14 VENERIC DISEASE CLINIC .... 15 OTHER PUBLIC . ................ 16 <br> (SPECIFY) <br> PRIVATE MEDICAL SECTOR <br> PRIVATE HOSPITAL/CLINIC . . . 21 <br> PHARMACY .................... 22 <br> PRIVATE DOCTOR . . . . . . . . . . . . 23 <br> OTHER PRIVATE <br> MEDICAL $\qquad$ 26 <br> (SPECIFY) <br> OTHER SOURCE <br> SHOP . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 31 <br> CHURCH ....................... 32 <br> FRIENDS/RELATIVES . . . . . . . . . . 33 <br> OTHER $\qquad$ 96 |  |
| 818 | (Apart from AIDS), have you heard about (other) infections that can be transmitted through sexual contact? |  | $\rightarrow 831$ |
| 819 | In a man, what signs and symptoms would lead you to think that he has such an infection? <br> Any others? <br> RECORD ALL MENTIONED. | ABDOMINAL PAIN . . . . . . . . . . . . A GENITAL DISCHARGEDRIPPING. B FOUL SMELLING DISCHARGE . . . C BURNING PAIN ON URINATION . . D REDNESS/INFLAMMATION IN GENITAL AREA SWELLING IN GENITAL AREA ... F GENITAL SORES/ULCERS . . . . . . . G GENITAL WARTS .................. H BLOOD IN URINE ................... . I LOSS OF WEIGHT . ................. J IMPOTENCE . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . K NO SYMPTOMS . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . L <br> OTHER $\qquad$ W OTHER $\qquad$ |  |
| NO. | QUESTIONS AND FILTERS |  | SKIP |


| 820 | How do you think, what symptoms represent weather a woman is been infected or not? | ABDOMINAL PAIN ............. A GENITAL DISCHARGE/DRIPPING. B FOUL SMELLING DISCHARGE . . C BURNING PAIN ON URINATION. . D REDNESS/NFLAMMATION IN genital area <br> SWELLING IN GENITAL AREA ... F GENITAL SORES/ULCERS ....... G GENITAL WARTS ............... H BLOOD IN URINE LOSS OF WEIGHT IMPOTENCE <br> NO SYMPTOMS ....................... L <br> OTHER $\qquad$ w <br> (SPECIFY) <br> OTHER $\qquad$ x <br> DON'T KNOW |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 822 | Duting the last 12 months, have you had a sexually-transmitted disease? |  | 7.831 |
| 823 | Now I would like to ask you some questions about your health in the last 12 months. Sometimes, women experience a genital discharge. During the last 12 months, have you had a genital discharge? |  |  |
| 824 | Sometimes, women experience a genital sore or ulcer. <br> During the last 12 months, have you had a genital sore or ulcer? | YES $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots 1$ NO $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots .1$ DONTKNOW $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$ |  |
| 825 | CHECK 822, 823, and 824: <br> HAS HAD AN INFECTION | FECTION | $\rightarrow 831$ |
| 826 | The last time you had (INFECTION FROM 822823/824), did you seek any kind of advice or treatment? | YES ................................ 1 NO ............................ 2 | $\rightarrow 828$ |


| 827 | The last time you had (INFECTION FROM 822823824) did you do any of the following? Did you.... | YeS | NO |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Seek advices from a health worker in a climic or hospital? | 1 | 2 |  |
|  | Seek advice or medicine from a traditional healer? | 1 | 2 |  |
|  | Seek advioe or buy medicines in a shop or phammacy? | 1 | 2 |  |
|  | Ask for advioe fom friends or relalives? | 1 | 2 |  |
| 828 | When you tha (INFECTION FROM 822823/824), did you inform the persons with whom you were having sex? | YES NO SOME NOT | ...................$~$ 1 2 $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . ~$ 3 |  |
| 829 | When you had (INFECTION FROM 822823824) did you do something to avoid infecting your sexual parter(s)? | $\begin{aligned} & \text { YES ........ } \\ & \text { NO ........ } \\ & \text { PARTNERAL } \end{aligned}$ |  | - $^{831}$ |
| 830 | What did you do to avoid infecting your partner? Did you.... | YES | no |  |
|  | Stop having sex? | 1 | 2 |  |
|  | Used a condom when having sex? | 1 | 2 |  |
|  | Take medicine? | 1 | 2 |  |
| 831 | RECORD THE TIME OF THE END OF THE INTERVIEW | HOUR.... MINUTES . | $\cdots \cdots \square \square \square \square \square \square \square$ |  |

SECTION 9. HEIGHT AND WEIGHT
IN 901 AND 902, RECORD THE HEIGHT AND WEIGHT OF THE RESPONDENT.

| No. |  | QUESTIONS AND FILTERS |  | COding Categories |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 901 | RESPONDENT'S HEIGHT ( ${ }^{(N)}$ CENTMMETERS) |  |  |  |
| 902 | RESPONDENT'S WEIGHT ( $\mathbb{N}$ KiLOGRAMS) |  | $\square \square \square$ |  |
| 903 | RESULT |  |  |  |
| 904 | CHECK 215 AND 219: <br> ONE OR MORE LIVING CHILDREN BORN IN JAN. 1994 OR LATER |  | NOUVNG <br> CHILDREN BORN <br> IN JAN. 1994 OR LATER | $1001$ |

IN 905 AND 906 RECORD THE LINE NUMBER AND NAME OF EACH CHILD BORN SINCE JANUARY 1994 AND STLLL ALIVE. IN 907 RECORD THE BIRTH DATE FOR ALL LIVING CHILDREN $80 R N$ SINCE JANUARY 1994. IN 908 AND 910 RECORD HEIGHT AND WEIGHT OF THE LIVING CHILDREN.

| 910 | WEIGHT (IN KILOGRAMS) |  | $\square \square$ |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 911 | DATE WEIGHED AND MEASURED |  |  |  |
| 912 | RESULT OF WEIGHING AND MEASURING |  |  |  |
| 913 | NAME OF MEASURER : $\qquad$ | NAME OF ASSISTANT : $\qquad$ $\square$ |  |  |

## SECTION 10. HEMOGLOBIN MEASUREMENT IN THE BLOOD

READ TO THE RESPONDENT THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION ABOUT ANEMLA AND REQUEST HER PARTICIPATION IN THE ANEMIA TESTING PART OF THE SURVEY. IF THE RESPONDENT AGREES TO PARTICIPATE, ASK HER TO SIGN AND DATE THE RESPONDENT CONSENT FORM. THEN RECORD THE OUTCOME OF THIS REQUEST BY CIRCLING THE APPROPRIATE CODE ON THE NEXT PAGE.

## ҚАЗАҚСТАННЫҢ ПРОФИЛАКТИКАЛЫК МЕДИЦИНА АКАДЕМИЯСЫ

## KAZAKHSTAN ACADEMY OF PREVENTIVE MEDICINE

## Dear Respondent:

The Academy of Preventive Medicine is conducting Demographic and Health Survey in Kazakhstan. As part of this program we study the prevalence of anemia among the women and their children. We ask you to participate in this program, which will assist the Committee of Health of The Ministry of health, Education and Sport of Kazakhstan to develop the specific measures to prevent and treat anemia.

Anemia is a disease, which is characterized by a low count of red blood cells. It results from poor nutrition and can be especially damaging to the health of pregnant and breastfeeding women.
Today, it is possible to rapidly (within a few minutes) diagnose this disease. A low level of hemoglobin can be determined by a Hemocue machine on the basis of a single drop of blood.
If you decide to participate in this program, we will ask you to provide a drop of blood from your finger for the analysis. Also, if you have a child of age 5 or less, please let our nurse to obtain drop of blood from him. The procedure will be done by sterile instruments. The blood will be analysed using the new sophisticated American equipment, Hemocue. The result of analysis will be available to you right after the blood is taken and assessed by Hemocue. We will also keep the results confidential.

If you decide to participate in this program , please sign at the bottom of this form that you agree to provide a drop of blood from your child.
If you decide not to participate, it is your right, and we will respect your choice.

Iam

## Last name, $\quad$ First name $\quad$ Middle name

agree to donate a drop of blood for the purpose of anemia diagnosis. I also allow a drop of blood to be taken from my child(children) for the purposes of anemia diagnosis.
Signature: $\qquad$ Date: $\qquad$
$\qquad$ 1999



| 1012 | Dear Respondent <br> We detected the low level of hemoglobin in your (your chil's's) blood. This indicates that you (your child) have developed severe anemia, which is serious health problem. We would like to inform about this the doctor at heatth care facility in your area. That would help you to meet appropriate further diagnosis and teatment of your (your child's) condition. <br> H you agree with this phease sign at the bottom of this form. <br> Thank you for your cooperation. <br> Iam $\qquad$ <br> Last name, First name Middle name <br> agree that the information about the level of hemoglobin in my (my child's) blood will be disclosed to the doctor at the local health care facility. <br> Signature $\qquad$ <br> Date * $\qquad$ , $\qquad$ 1999 |
| :---: | :---: |
|  | RESPONDENT AGREES <br> TO REFERRAL OF HERSELF <br> RESPONDENT DOES <br> AND/OR HER CHILD(REN) $\qquad$ NOT AGREE TO REFERRAL 2 $\qquad$ |
| 1013 | RECORD NAMES OF WOMEN AND CHILD(REN) WITH HEMOGLOBIN LEVELLESS THAN 7GDL ON REFERRAL FORM |





# INTERVIEWER'S OBSERVATIONS <br> TO BE FILLED IN AFTER COMPLETING INTERVIEW 

COMMENTS ABOUT RESPONDENT:
$\qquad$

COMMENTS ON SPECIFIC QUESTIONS:
ANY OTHER COMMENTS:
$\ldots$

SUPERVISOR'S OBSERVATIONS
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$\qquad$

NAME OF THE SUPERVISOR: ___ DATE:

EDITOR'S OBSERVATIONS
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NAME OF EDTTOR:______ DATE: $\qquad$

REPUBLIC OF KAZAKHSTAN
ACADEMY OF PREVENTIVE MEDICINE




INFORMED CONSENT
Hello. My name is $\qquad$ and I am working with The Academy of Preventive Medicine of Kazakhstan. We are conducting a national survey about the health of men, women and children. We would very much appreciate your participation in this survey. I would like to ask you about your health (and the health of your children). This information will help the government of Kazakhstan to plan health services. The survey usually takes between 10 and 20 minutes to complete. Whatever information you provide will be kept strictly confidential and will not be shown to other persons.

Participation in this survey is voluntary and you can choose not to answer any individual question or all of the questions. However, we hope that you will participate in this survey since your views are important.

At this time, do you want to ask me anything about the survey? May I begin the interview now?

Signature of interviewer: $\qquad$ Date: $\qquad$

| RESPONDENT AGREES TO BE | RESPONDENT DOES NOT AGREE |
| :---: | :---: |
| INTERVIEWED | TO BE INTERVIEWED |


| NO. | QUESTIONS AND FILTERS | CODING CATEGORIES | SKIP |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 101 | RECORD THE TIME. | HOUR $\qquad$ <br> MINUTES $\qquad$ $\square$ |  |
| 102 | First I would like to ask some questions about you and your household. For most of the time untll you were 12 years old, did you live in a clty, in a town, or in the countryside? |  |  |
| 103 | In the last 12 months, how many times have you traveled away from your home community and slept away? | NUMBER OF TRIPS AWAY | > 105 |
| 104 | In the last 12 months, have you been away from your home community for more than 1 month at a time? |  |  |
| 105 | How long have you been living continuously in (NAME OF CURRENT PLACE OF RESIDENCE)? <br> IF LESS THAN ONE YEAR, RECORD " 00 " YEARS | YEARS $\qquad$ <br> ALWAYS $\qquad$ <br> VISITOR $\qquad$ | 107 |
| 106 | Just before you moved here, did you live in a cly, in a town, or in the countryside? |  |  |
| 107 | In what month and year were you bom? | MONTH $\qquad$ $\square$ <br> DONT KNOW MONTH $\qquad$ YEAR $\qquad$ DON'T KNOW YEAR $\qquad$ |  |


| NO. | QUESTIONS AND FILTERS | CODING CATEGORIES | SKIP |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 108 | How old were you at your last birthday? <br> COMPARE AND CORRECT 107 AND/OR 108 IF INCONSISTENT. | AGE IN COMPLETED YEARS ... $\square$ |  |
| 109 | Have you ever attended school? |  | $\rightarrow 116$ |
| 110 | What is the highest level of school you attended: primary, secondary, or higher?' | PRIMARY/SECONDARY .............. 1 <br> SECONDARY-SPECIAL . . . . . . . . . . . . . 2 <br> HIGHER ................................ 3 |  |
| 111 | What is the highest (grade/form/year) you completed at that level? ${ }^{1}$ | GRADE $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$ |  |
| 116 | Do you read a newspaper or magazine almost every day, at least once a week, less than once a week or not at all? |  |  |
| 117 | Do you listen to the radio almost every day, at least once a week, less than once a week or not at all? | ALMOST EVERY DAY . . ............... 1 <br> AT LEAST ONCE A WEEK . . . . . . . . . . . 2 <br> LESS THAN ONCE A WEEK ........... 3 <br> NOT AT ALL . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 4 |  |
| 118 | Do you watch television almost every day, at least once a week, less than once a week or not at all? | ALMOST EVERY DAY . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 1 <br> AT LEAST ONCE A WEEK . . . . . . . . . . . 2 <br> LESS THAN ONCE A WEEK ........... 3 <br> NOT AT ALL . ........................... . 4 |  |
| 119 | Are you currently working? |  | $\rightarrow 122$ |
| 120 | Have you done any work in the last 12 months |  | $\rightarrow 122$ |
| 121 | What have you been doing over the last 12 months? | GOING TO SCHOOLSTUDYING . . . . . . 1 <br> LOOKING FOR WORK . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 2 <br> INACTIVE $\qquad$ 3 <br> COULD NOT WORK/HANDICAPPED .. 4 <br> OTHER $\qquad$ 6 <br> (SPECIFY) |  |
| 122 | What is you occupation, that is, what kind of work do you mainly do? |  |  |
| 123 | CHECK 122: <br> WORKS IN AGRICULTURE <br> DOES NOT WOR AGRICULTURE | IN | $\rightarrow 127$ |
| 124 | Do you work mainly on your own land or on famlly land, or do you rent land or work on someone else's land? |  |  |
| 125 | Do you do this work for a member of your family, for someone else, or are you self-employed? |  |  |
| 126 | Do you usually work throughout the year, or do you work seasonally, or only once in a while? | THROUGHOUT THE YEAR ............ 1 SEASONALLY/PART OF THE YEAR ... 2 ONCE IN A WHILE $\qquad$ | $\rightarrow 128$ |


| NO. | QUESTIONS AND FILTERS | CODING CATEGORIES | SKIP |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 127 | During the last 12 months, how many months did you work? | NUMBER OF MONTHS . . . . . $\square$ |  |
| 128 | Do you think that what you earn is sufficient to provide for your family's basic needs? |  | 130 |
| 129 | What do you think is the reason your eamings are insufficient? is it because you cannot WORK as much as you would like to, or is it because you work enough but what you earn from your work is insufficient, or is a combination of the two? |  |  |
| 130 | On average, how much of your household's expenditures do your eamings pay for: almost none, less than half, about half, more than half, or all? |  |  |
| 131 | Have you ever drunk an alcohol-containing beverage? |  | $\rightarrow 135$ |
| 132 | Have you ever gotten "drunk" from drinking an alcohol-containing beverage? |  |  |
| 133 | In the last 3 months, on how many days did you drink an alcohol-containing beverage? | NUMBER OF DAYS $\qquad$ $\square$ <br> NONE $\qquad$ | $\rightarrow 135$ |
| 134 | In the last 3 months, on how many occasions did you get "drunk"? | NUMBER OF TIMES $\qquad$ $\square$ <br> NONE $\qquad$ |  |
| 135 | Have you had any kind of injection in the last 3 months? |  | -138 |
| 136 | How many times did you have an injection in the last 3 months? | NUMBER OF INJECTIONS $\square$ EVERY DAY $\qquad$ |  |
| 137 | The last time you had an injection, who was the person who gave you the injection? |  |  |
| 138 | What is your religion: Are you Muslim, Christian,, another religion, or do you not practice any religion? |  |  |


| NO. | QUESTIONS AND FILTERS | CODING CATEGORIES | SKIP |
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| 139 | What is your nationality? <br> Are you Kazakh? Russian? <br> Ukrainian? <br> German? <br> Korean? <br> Other? |  |  |
| 140 | Have you heard of illness called tuberculosis? |  | - 201 |
| $\begin{gathered} 140 \\ a \end{gathered}$ | Did you know that TB can be totally cured with the help of medicines? |  |  |
| 141 | Did you or anyone in your family suffer from tuberculosis? |  |  |
| 142 | Do you know people from other families with whom you have a frequent contact (neighbors, collogues or close friends) who are suffering or suffered in the past from TB. |  |  |
| 143 | What are the symptoms of tuberculosis which lead you to think that a person has tuberculosis? |  |  |
| 144 | What are the symptoms of tuberculosis which would convince you to seek medical assistance? |  |  |
| 145 | When a person first discovers that he or she has tuberculosis, how should that person be treated initially: hospitalized, treated at home, or both? |  |  |
| 146 | How does tuberculosis spread from one person to another? | THROUGH THE AIR WHEN COUGHING .......... 1 OTHER $\frac{6}{\text { (SPECIFY) }}$ DONT KNOW ................................. 8 |  |


| NO. | QUESTIONS AND FILTERS | CODING CATEGORIES | SKIP |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 147 | Where would you go for help if you thought you or your child had tuberculosis? | PUBLIC SECTOR <br> HOSPITAL <br> POLYCLINIC $\qquad$ <br> FGP $\qquad$12 <br> 13 <br> TB DISPENSARY $\qquad$ <br> OTHER PUBLIC $\qquad$ <br> (SPECIFY) <br> PRIVATE MEDICAL SECTOR <br> PRIVATE. HOSPITALCLINIC $\qquad$ <br> PRIVATE. DOCTOR $\qquad$ 22 <br> OTHER $\qquad$ 96 <br> DON'T KNOW $\qquad$ .98 |  |
| 148 | Would you be willing to take your famlly member at home for part of hisher treatment? | $\begin{array}{\|l} \text { YES } . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . ~ \end{array}$ |  |

SECTION 2. REPRODUCTION

| NO. | QUESTIONS AND FILTERS | CODING CATEGORIES | SKI |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 201 | Now I would like to ask about your children. I am interested only in the children that are biologically yours. Have you ever had children? |  | -206 |
| 202 | Do you have any sons or daughters who are now living with you? | YES ...................................................................................................... | $\rightarrow 204$ |
| 203 | How many sons live with you? <br> And how many daughters live with you? <br> IF NONE, RECORD ' 00 '. | SONS AT HOME $\qquad$ <br> DAUGHTERS AT HOME $\qquad$ $\square$ |  |
| 204 | Do you have any sons or daughters who are alive but do not live with you? | $\begin{aligned} & \text { YES ......................................... } 1 \\ & \text { NO .................................... } 2 \end{aligned}$ | $\rightarrow$ 206 |
| 205 | How many sons are alive but do not live with you? <br> And how many daughters are alive but do not live with you? <br> IF NONE, RECORD ' 00 ', | SONS ELSEWHERE $\qquad$ <br> DAUGHTERS ELSEWHERE $\qquad$ |  |
| 206 | Have you ever had a son or a daughter who was bom alive but later died? <br> IF NO, <br> PROBE: Any baby who cried or showed signs of life but survived only a few hours or days? |  | $\rightarrow 208$ |
| 207 | How many boys have died? <br> And how many girts have died? <br> IF NONE, RECORD ' 00 '. | BOYS DEAD $\qquad$ <br> GIRLS DEAD $\square$ |  |
| 208 | SUM ANSWERS TO 203, 205, AND 207, AND ENTER TOTAL. <br> IF NONE, RECORD ${ }^{\circ} 00^{\prime}$. | TOTAL $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$ |  |
| 209 | CHECK 208: <br> Just to make sure that I have this right you have had in TOTAL $\qquad$ children during your life. Is that corect? <br> IF HE HAS NOT HAD CHILDREN (208 IS "00") <br> Just to make sure that I have thls right: you have not had any children during your life. Is that correct? <br> PROBE AND <br> YES NO CORRECT 201-208 AS NECESSARY. |  |  |
| 210 | CHECK 208: $\begin{aligned} & \text { HAS HAD } \\ & \text { CHILDREN } \end{aligned} \quad \begin{aligned} & \text { HAS NOT HAD } \\ & \text { ANY CHILDREN } \end{aligned}$ |  | $\rightarrow 212$ |
| 211 | In what month and year was your last child bom? | MONTH $\qquad$ <br> YEAR $\qquad$ $\square$ |  |


| NO. | QUESTIONS AND FILTERS | CODING CATEGORIES | SKIP |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 212 | Now I would like to ask you about the risk of pregnancy. Do you know iffrom one menstrual period to the next, is there a time when a woman is more likely to become pregnant it she has sexual relations? |  | $7 \cdot 301$ |
| 213 | Is this time just before her period begins, during her period, right after her period has ended, or half way between two periods? | JUST BEFORE HER PERIOD BEGINS ............. 1 <br> DURING HER PERIOD $\qquad$ <br> RIGHT AFTER HER PERIOD HAS ENDED $\qquad$ 3 <br> HALFWAY BETWEEN TWO PERIODS $\qquad$ 4 <br> OTHER <br> DONT KNOW $\qquad$ (SPECIFY) |  |

SECTION 3. CONTRACEPTION

| 301 | Which ways or methods have you heard about? FOR METHODS NOT MENTIONED SPONTANEOUSLY, ASK: Have you ever heard of (METHOD)? |  | 302 Have you ever had a partner who used (METHOD)? |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | FEMALE STERILIZATION Women can have en operation to avoid having any more children. |  | Heve you ever had a partner who had an operation to avoid having any more children? <br> YES <br> NO, DOES NOT KNOW |
| 2 | MALE STERILIZATION Men can have an operation to avoid having any more children. |  | Have you ever had an operation to avoid having any more children? <br> NO, DOES NOT KNOW |
| 3 | PILL' Women can take a pill every day |  |  |
| 4 | IUD Women can have a loop or coil placed inside them by a doctor or a nurse. |  |  |
| 5 | INJECTIONS Women can have an injection by a doctor or nurse which stops them from becoming pregnant for several months. |  |  |
| 6 | IMPLANTS Women can have several smail rods placed in their upper amm by a doctor or nurse which can prevent pregnancy for several years. | $\begin{gathered} \text { YES } \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \\ \text { NO } \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \\ 2 \end{gathered}$ |  |
| 7 | CONDOM Men can put a rubber sheath on their penls during sexual intercourse. |  | Have you ever used a condom? <br> YES ......................................................... 1 <br> NO $\qquad$ |
| 8 | FEMALE CONDOMR : Women can place a rubber sheath in their vagina to prevent pragnancy. | $\begin{array}{\|c\|ccc\|} \hline \text { YES } \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots & \ldots & \ldots & 1 \\ \text { NO } \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots & \ldots & \ldots & \ldots \end{array}$ |  |
| 9 | DIAPHRAGM, FOAM, JELLY Women can place a sponge, suppository, diaphragm, jelly, or cream in their vagina before intercourse. |  |  |
| 10 | LACTATMNAL AMENORRHEA METHOD (LAM) Up to 6 months after childtithth, a woman can use a method that requires that she breastieeds frequently, day end night, end that her menstrual period has not retumed. <br> [USE LOCAL NAME OF LAM] |  |  |
| 11 | RHYTHM OR PERIODIC ABSTINENCE Every month that a woman is sexually active she can avoid having sexual intercourse on the days of the month she is most likely to get pregnant | $\begin{aligned} & \text { YES } \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \\ & \text { NO } \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \\ & 1 \end{aligned}$ |  |
| 12 | WITHDRAWAL Men can be careful and pull out before climax. |  |  |
| 13 | EMERGENCY CONTRACEPTION Women can take pills the day after sexual intercourse to avoid becoming pregnant. |  |  |
| 14 | Have you heard of any other ways or methods that women or men can use to avoid pregnancy? | YES $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots 1$ <br> (SPECIFY) <br> NO $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots 2$ |  |
| 303 | CHECK 302: <br> NOT A SINGLE 'YES" $\square$ AT LEAST <br> (NEVER USED) | ONE "YES" <br> (EVER USED) | $\square \square$ SKIP TO 306 |


| NO. | QUESTIONS AND FILTERS | CODING CATEGORIES | SKIP |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 304 | Have you or any of your sex parteers ever used anything or tried in any way to delay or avoid pregnancy? |  | $\rightarrow 3$ |
| 305 | What have you used or done? <br> CORRECT 303 AND 304 (AND 302 IF NECESSARY). |  |  |
| 306 | CHECK 302 (2): <br> RESPONDENT NOT STERILIZED | RESPONDENT STERILIZED |  |
| 307 | Are you, your wife (wives), or any other partner with whom you have sex doing something or using a method to delay or avold a pregnancy? | YES .............................................. 1 NO, DOES NOT KNOW ........................ 2 | —3 |
| 308 308 A | Which method are you using? <br> CIRCLE 'B' FOR MALE STERILIZATION <br> IF MORE THAN ONE METHOD MENTIONED, FOLLOW SKIP INSTRUCTION FOR HIGHEST METHOD ON LIST |  | $-311$ |
| 309 | What is the main reason you are not using a method of contraception to avoid pregnancy? | NOT MARRIED <br> FERTILITY-RELATED REASONS <br> NOT HAVING SEX ................................ 21 <br> INFREQUENT SEX ............................... 22 <br> WIFEIPRTNER MENOPAMYSTEREC. .......... 23 <br> COUPLE SUBFECUNDANFECUND .................. 24 <br> WIFEPPARTNER POSTP./BREASTF. . . . . . . . . . . . . . 25 <br> WANTS (MORE) CHILDREN . ....................... 26 <br> WIFE PREGNANT ................................... 27 <br> OPPOSITION TOUSE <br> RESPONDENT OPPOSED . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 31 <br> WIFE OPPOSED . .................................. . . 32 <br> OTHERS OPPOSED ................................ 33 <br> RELIGIOUS PROHIBITION . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 34 <br> LACK OF KNOWLEDGE <br> KNOWS NO SOURCE ............................. 42 <br> METHOD-RELATED REASONS <br> FEAR OF SIDE EFFECTS . .......................... . 52 <br> LACK OF ACCESSTOO FAR ....................... 53 <br> COST TOO MUCH ................................ 54 <br> INCONVENIENT TO USE ........................... 55 <br> NTERFERES WITH BODY'S NATURAL PROCESSES .. 56 <br> UP TO WOMAN TO USE $\qquad$ <br> OTHER $\qquad$ 96 <br> DONT KNOW <br> (SPECIFY) <br> DONTKN | ( 401 |
| 310 | СНЕСК 308 -308A <br> WIFEPARTNER IS USING ANY MODERN FEMALE METHOD - FEMALE STERILIZATION, PILL, DIAPHRAGMFOAMJELLY <br> YES | IUD, INJECTIONS, IMPLANTS, FEMALE CONDOM OR <br> No | 314 |


| NO. | QUESTIONS AND FILTERS | CODING CATEGORIES | SKIP |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 311 | CHECK 308: <br> WIFERARTNER WAS <br> STERILIZED <br> You mentioned that your wife/partner had an operation to stop having children. Did you and your wife/partner discuss the different family planning methods available before she had this operation? <br> WIFEPARTNER IS USING A FEMALE METHOO OTHER THAN STERILIZATION <br> You mentioned that your wite/partner is currently using (METHOD RECORDED IN 310). Did you and your wife/partner discuss the different family planning methods available before she started using this method? |  | ->314 |
| 312 | CHECK 308: <br> WIFE/PARTNER WAS <br> STERILIZED <br> Whose decision was it to have this operation instead of using some other family planning method? <br> WIFEPARTNER IS USING A FEMALE <br> METHOD OTHER THAN <br> STERILIZATION <br> Whose decision was it to start using (METHOD RECORDED IN 310) instead of using some other family planning method? |  |  |
| 313 | Would you say that at that time both of you were in agrement or that you had different opinions about the contraceptive methods to avoid unwanted pregnancles? | BOTH AGREED . . . . . . . .............................. . 1 <br> HAD DIFFERENT OPINIONS |  |
| 314 | CHECK 308 RESPONDENT IS USING A MODERN MALE METHOD - MALE STERILIZATION OR CONDOMS YES | NO | -401 |
| 315 | CHECK 308: RESPONDENT WAS STERILIZED | DECIOED ON HIS OWN . ............................... 1 <br> DISCUSSED WITH WIFEPARTNER . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 2 <br> NOT LIVING WITH HER AT THE TIME $\qquad$ 3 |  |

## SECTION 4. MARRIAGE AND SEXUAL ACTIVITY

| NO. | QUESTIONS AND FILTERS | CODING CATEGORIES | SKIP |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 401 | Are you currently married or living with a woman ? ${ }^{1}$ | YES, CURRENTLY MARRIED . . .............. . 1 <br> YES, LIVING WTH A WOMAN . . . . . . . . . . . . . 2 <br> NO, NOT IN UNION | $\begin{array}{\|l} -404 \\ \hline \end{array}$ |
| 402 | Besides your wife, do you have any other women with whom you live as if married? | YES . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 1 NO . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 2 | $\longrightarrow 405$ |
| 403 | How many wives do you have? | NUMBER OF WIVES . . . . . . . . . . . . . | $\longrightarrow 405$ |
| 404 | How many women are you living with as if you were married? | NUMBER OF LIVE-IN PARTNERS $\square$ |  |
| 405 | WRITE THE NAMES AND LINE NUMBERS FROM THE HOUSEHOLD QU IF A WFE DOES NOT LIVE IN THE HOUSEHOLD, WRITE ' 00 ' IN THE LIN THE NUMBER OF BOXES FILLED MUST BE EQUAL TO THE NUMBER O $\text { IF } 402 \text { is "NO }$ <br> Please tell me the name of your wife/partner <br> 1 <br> IF 402 IS ÝES <br> Please tell me the names of all your wives and live-in partners <br> 1 <br> 2 <br> 3 <br> 4 <br> 5 <br> 6 <br> 7 | ONNAIRE FOR HIS WFE OR WVES. MBER BOX. <br> ES. <br> LINE NUMBER $\qquad$ $\qquad$ $\qquad$ $\qquad$ $\qquad$ $\qquad$ $\qquad$ $\qquad$ | $-409$ |
| 406 | Do you currentity have a regular sexual partner, an occasional sexual partner, or no sexual partner at all? | REGULAR SEXUAL PARTNER . . . . . . . . . . . . . 1 <br> OCCASIONAL SEXUAL PARTNER .......... 2 <br> NO SEXUAL PARTNER . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 3 |  |
| 407 | Have you ever been marted or lived with a woman? | YES, FORMERLY MARRIED . ................ 1 <br> YES, LIVED WITH A WOMAN . . . . . . . . . . . . . 2 <br> NO ............................................ 3 | $\begin{array}{\|l} -409 \\ -412 \end{array}$ |


| NO. | QUESTIONS AND FILTERS | CODING CATEGORIES | SKIP |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 408 | What is your marital status now: are you wldowed, divorced or separated? | WIDOWED . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 1 DIVORCED . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 2 SEPARATED . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 3 |  |
| 409 | Have you been married or lived with a woman only once, or more than once? |  |  |
| 410 | CHECK 409: MARRIED./LIVED WITH A WOMAN ONLY ONCE | MONTH $\qquad$ $\square$ <br> DON'T KNOW MONTH $\qquad$ YEAR $\qquad$ DON'T KNOW YEAR | —412 |
| 411 | How old were you when you started living with her? | AGE . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . |  |
| 412 | Now I need to ask you some questions about sexual activity in order to gain a better understanding of some family life issues. How old were you when you first had sexual intercourse (if ever)? | NEVER $\qquad$ 00 <br> AGE $\qquad$ $\square$ <br> WHEN FIRST UNION STARTED <br> 96 | -438 |
| 413 | When was the last time you had sexual intercourse? <br> RECORD 'YEARS AGO' ONLY IF LAST INTERCOURSE WAS ONE OR MORE YEARS AGO. | DAYS AGO WEEKS AGO MONTHS AGO YEARS AGO $\qquad$ $\square$ DOES NOT REMEMBER $\qquad$ | $\rightarrow$-438 |
| 414 | The last time you had sexual intercourse, did you use a condom? |  | $1-416$ |
| 415 | What was the main reason you used a condom on that occasion? | OWN CONCERN PREVENT STD/HIV ........ 1- <br> OWN CONCERN TO PREVENT <br> PREGNANCY ............................... 2 <br> OWN CONCERN TO PREVENT BOTH STD/HIV AND PREGNANCY . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 3 <br> DID NOT TRUST PARTNERS/FEELS PARTNER HAS OTHER PARTNERS . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 4 <br> PARTNER INSISTED . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 5 <br> OTHER $\qquad$ $\qquad$ | -4178 |
| 416 | The last time you had sexual intercourse, did you or your partner do something or use some method to avoid a pregnancy? |  | $1 \sim 418$ |


| NO. | QUESTIONS AND FILTERS | CODING CATEGORIES | SKIP |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 417 | What did you do or what did you use? <br> Circle "CONDOM" |  |  |
| 418 | What is your relationship to the woman with whom you last had sex? <br> IF "BOYFRIEND" OR "FIANCEE", PROBE BY ASKING: <br> Was your (girffiend/fiancee) living with you when you last had sex?" | SPOUSEJCOHABITING PARTNER . . . . . . . . . . . 1 BOYFRIEND/FIANCEE ....................... 2 <br> OTHER FRIEND . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 3 <br> CASUAL ACQUAINTANCE . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 4 <br> COMMERCIAL SEX CUSTOMER . . . . . . . . . . . 5 <br> RELATIVE . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 6 <br> OTHER $\qquad$ 7 | -420 |
| 419 | How long have you had a sexual relationship with the woman you last had sex with? | DAYS WEEKS MONTHS YEARS |  |
| 420 | Have you had sex with anyone else in the last 12 months? |  | . 435 |
| 421 | The last time you had sexual intercourse with this other woman, did you use a condom? | YES . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 1 NO . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 2 DOES NOT KNOW CONDOMS . . . . . . . . . . . . . 3 | $f \rightarrow 423$ |
| 422 | What was the main reason you used a condom on that occasion? | OWN CONCERN PREVENT STD/HIV . . . . . . . 1 <br> OWN CONCERN TO PREVENT <br> PREGNANCY ................................ 2 <br> OWN CONCERN TO PREVENT BOTH STD/HIV <br> AND PREGNANCY . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 3 <br> DID NOT TRUST PARTNERS/FEELS PARTNER HAS OTHER PARTNERS . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 4 <br> PARTNER INSISTED . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 5 OTHER $\qquad$ 6 |  |
| 423 | The last time you had sexual intercourse with this woman, did you or she do something or use some method to avold a pregnancy? | YES . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 1 NO . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 2 UNSUREJDOES NOT KNOW . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 8 | $\square .425$ |


| NO. | QUESTIONS AND FILTERS | CODING CATEGORIES | SKIP |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 424 | What did you do or what did you use? <br> CIRCLE CONDOM |  |  |
| 425 | What is your relationship to this woman? <br> IF "BOYFRIEND" OR "FIANCEE", PROBE BY ASKING: <br> "Was your (ginfriend/fiancee) living with you when you last had sex?" | SPOUSE/COHABITING PARTNER . . . . . . . . . . . 1 <br> BOYFRIEND/FIANCEE ........................ 2 <br> OTHER FRIEND . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 3 <br> CASUAL ACQUAINTANCE . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 4 <br> COMMERCIAL SEX CUSTOMER . . . . . . . . . . . 5 <br> RELATIVE . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 6 <br> OTHER $\qquad$ | -427 |
| 426 | How long have you maintained a sexual relationship with this woman? | DAYS $\qquad$ |  |
| 427 | Other than these two women, have you had sex with enyone else in the last $\mathbf{1 2}$ months? |  | $\rightarrow 435$ |
| 428 | The last time you had sexual intercourse with this other woman, did you use a condom? | YES . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 1 <br> NO .......................................... 2 <br> DOES NOT KNOW CONDOMS | -430 |
| 429 | What was the main reason you used a condom on that occasion? | OWN CONCERN PREVENT STD/HIV $\qquad$ <br> OWN CONCERN TO PREVENT <br> PREGNANCY ............................... 2 <br> OWN CONCERN TO PREVENT BOTH STD/HIV AND PREGNANCY . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 3 <br> DID NOT TRUST PARTNERS/FEELS PARTNER HAS OTHER PARTNERS . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 4 <br> PARTNER INSISTED .......................... . . 5 <br> OTHER $\qquad$ 6 (SPECIFY) <br> DON'T KNOW $\qquad$ | $\rightarrow 431 B$ |
| 430 | The last time you had sexual intercourse whith this woman, did you or she do something or use some method to avoid a pregnancy? | YES . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 2 NO . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 8 | -,.432 |


| NO. | QUESTIONS AND FILTERS | CODING CATEGORIES | SKIP |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 431 | What did you do or what did you use? <br> CIRCLE CONDOM |  <br> OTHER $\qquad$ 96 |  |
| 432 | What is your relationship to this woman? <br> IF "BOYFRIEND" OR "FIANCEE", PROBE BY ASKING: <br> "Was your (ginfriend/fiancee) living with you when you last had sex7" | SPOUSEICOHABITING PARTNER . . . . . . . . . . 1 <br> BOYFRIEND/FIANCEE ....................... 2 <br> OTHER FRIEND . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 3 <br> CASUAL ACQUAINTANCE . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 4 <br> COMMERCIAL SEX CUSTOMER . . . . . . . . . . . 5 <br> RELATIVE . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 6 <br> OTHER $\qquad$ | 434 |
| 433 | How long have you had a sexual relationship with this woman? | DAYS WEEKS MONTHS YEARS |  |
| 434 | Altogether, with how many different women have you had sex in the last 12 months? | NUMBER OF PARTNERS . . . . . . . . , \% |  |
| 435 | Have you ever paid for sex? |  | -438 |
| 436 | How long ago was the last time you paid for sex? | DAYS AGO WEEKS AGO MONTHS AGO YEARS AGO <br> 998 |  |
| 437 | The last time that you paid for sex, did you use a condom? | YES . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 1 NO . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 2 |  |
| 438 | Do you know of a place where one can get condoms? |  | -441 |


| NO. | QUESTIONS AND FILTERS | CODING CATEGORIES | SKIP |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 439 | Where is that? ${ }^{1}$ <br> IF SOURCE IS HOSPITAL, HEALTH CENTER, OR CLINIC, WRITE the name of The place. probe to identify the TYpe of SOURCE AND CIRCLE THE APPROPRIATE CODE. <br> (NAME OF PLACE) |  |  |
| 440 | If you wanted to, could you yourself get a condom? |  |  |
| 441 | Do you know of a place where one can get female condoms? |  | $\longrightarrow 501$ |
| 442 | Where is that?' <br> IF SOURCE IS HOSPITAL, HEALTH CENTER, OR CLINIC, WRITE THE NAME OF THE PLACE. PROBE TO IDENTIFY THE TYPE OF SOURCE AND CIRCLE THE APPROPRIATE CODE. <br> (NAME OF PLACE) |  |  |
| 443 | If you wanted to, could you yourself get a female condom? |  |  |

## SECTION 5. FERTILITY PREFERENCES

| NO. | QUESTIONS AND FILTERS |  |  | CODING CATEGORIES$\square$ | SKIP |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 501 | CHECK 401: <br> CURRENTLY NOT in UNION | $\square$ | NTLY MARRIED WITH A WOMA |  | $\rightarrow 503 \mathrm{~A}$ |
| 502 | CHECK 406: <br> NOT IN UNION BUT <br> HAS ONLY AN OCCASIONAL |  |  |  | -505A |
| 503 | CHECK 401 AND 406: <br> A <br> HAS A WIFE OR LIVING WITH WOMAN <br> 1. is your wife / the woman you are living with currently pregnant? <br> 2. Are any of your wives/ any of the women your are living with currently pregnant? | B <br> 3. Is your regu pregnant? <br> 4. is one of your currently pre | EGULAR <br> R $\square$ <br> er currently <br> ar partners |  | -505A |
| 504 | When she became pregnant, did you want her to become pregnant then, did you want her to have a child but wanted to wait or did you not want her to have a child at all? |  |  | THEN <br> WANTED TO WAIT $\qquad$ <br> NOT AT ALL. <br> ...................... 3 | $-505$ <br> B |
| 505 | CHECK 502 AND 503: <br> A WIFE/PARTNER <br> NOT PREGNANT OR UNSURE, OR HAS NO WIFE/REGU- <br> B <br> WIFE/PARTNER PREGNANT <br> Now I have some questions about the future. After the child your wife/partner is expecting now, would you like to have another child, or would you prefer not to have any more children? |  |  | HAVE (A/ANOTHER) CHILD ........ 1 <br> NO MORENONE .................... 2 <br> SAYS WIFE CAN'T GET PREGNANT 3 <br> SAYS HE CAN'T HAVE ANY MORE . 4 <br> UNDECIDED/DOESN'T KNOW $\qquad$ | - -507 |
| 506 | CHECK 503: <br> WIFE/PARTNER NOT PREGNANT OR UNSURE, OR HAS NO WIFEI PARTNER <br> 5. How long would you like to wait to have a child? <br> 6. How long would you like to wait to have another child? | WIFE/PARTNER PREGNANT <br> the child your wife/partner is expecting, long would you like to wait before the of another child? |  | MONTHS <br> YEARS $\qquad$ <br> SOON/NOW <br> SAYS WIFE CANT GET PREGNANT94 <br> AFTER MARRIAGE .............. . 995 <br> OTHER <br> (SPECIFY) <br> DOESNT KNOW . ................ . 998 |  |
| 507 | CHECK 308: USING A METHOD <br> NOT ASKED $\square$ | NOT CURR USING |  | CURRENTLY USING | $\rightarrow 512$ |


| NO. | QUESTIONS AND FILTERS | COding Categories | SKIP |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 508 | Do you think you will use a method to avoid pregnancies within the next 12 months? |  | . 510 |
| 509 | Do you think you will use a method to avoid pregnancies at any time in the future? |  | $\text { - } 511$ |
| 510 | Which method would you prefer to use? |  | -512 |
| 511 | What is the main reason that you think you will never use a method? | NOT CURRENTLY MARRIED <br> FERTILITY-RELATED REASONS <br>  <br> LACK OF KNOWLEDGE KNOWS NO METHOD KNOWS NO SOURCE <br> METHOD-RELATED REASONS HEALTH CONCERNS FEAR OF SIDE EFFECTS LACK OF ACCESSTOOO FAR . ........... 52 COST TOO MUCH ...................... 54 INTERFERES WITH BODY'S NORMAL PROCESSES ................ 56 OTHER |  |
| 512 | CHECK 203 AND 205: <br> HAS LIVING CHILDREN $\square$ <br> - <br> If you could go back to the time you did not have any children and could choose exactly the number of children to have in your whole life, how many would that be? <br> NO LIVING CHILDREN $\square$ <br> If you could choose exactiy the number of children to have in your whole life, how many would that be? | NUMBER $\qquad$ $\square$ <br> OTHER $\qquad$ 96 <br> (SPECIFY) | $\rightarrow$-514 |


| NO. | QUESTIONS AND FILTERS | CODING CATEGORIES | SKIP |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | PROBE FOR A NUMERIC RESPONSE. |  |  |
| 513 | How many of these children would you llke to be boys, how many would you like to be girls and for how many would it not matter? |  |  |
| 514 | Would you say that you approve or disapprove of couples using a method to avoid getting pregnant? | $\begin{aligned} & \text { APPROVE . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . } 1 \\ & \text { DISAPPROVE . . . . . . . . . . . . . . } 8 \\ & \text { DO NOT KNOWU } \end{aligned}$ |  |
| 515 | Is it acceptable or not acceptable to you for information on family planning to be provided on the radio? | ACCEPTABLE ....................... 1 <br> NOT ACCEPTABLE . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 2 <br> DO NOT KNOW/UNSURE . . . . . . . . . . 8 |  |
| 516 | Is it acceptable or not acceptable to you for information on family planning to be provided on the television? | ACCEPTABLE ...................... 1 <br> NOT ACCEPTABLE . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 2 <br> DO NOT KNOW/UNSURE . . . . . . . . . 8 |  |
| 517 | In the last few months have you heard about family planning: <br> On the radio? <br> On the television? <br> In a newspaper or magazine? <br> From a poster? <br> From leaflets or brochures? |  |  |
| 519 | In the last few months have you discussed the practice of family planning with your friends, neighbors, or relatives? |  | -521 |
| 520 | With whom? <br> Anyone else? <br> RECORD ALL MENTIONED. | WIFEIPARTNER . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . A <br> MOTHER .......................... B <br> FATHER . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . C <br> SISTER(S) . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . D <br> BROTHER(S) . . . . ................... E <br> DAUGHTER . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . F <br> MOTHER-IN-LAW . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . G <br> FATHER-IN-LAW .................. H <br> FRIENDS/NEIGHBORS .............. I <br> OTHER |  |
| 521 | CHECK 401: <br> YES, YES, <br> CURRENTLY <br> LIVING <br> MARRIED <br> WITH A WOMAN |  | -601 |
| 522 | Spouses/partners do not always agree on everything. Now I want to ask you about your wife's/partner's vlews on famlly planning. <br> Do you think that your wife/partner approves or disapproves of couples using a method to avoid pregnancy? | APPROVES ......................... 1 <br> DISAPPROVES ..................... 2 <br> DON'T KNOW . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 8 |  |


| NO. | QUESTIONS AND FILTERS | COding Categories | SKIP |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 523 | How often have you talked to your wife/partner about family planning in the past year? | NEVER . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 1 <br> ONCE OR TWICE $\qquad$ <br> MORE OFTEN $\qquad$ |  |
| 524 | Do you think your wife/partner wants the same number of children that you want, or does she want more or fewer than you want? | SAME NUMBER . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 1 <br> MORE CHILDREN ................... 2 <br> FEWER CHILDREN ................. . 3 <br> DON'T KNOW $\square$ |  |

## SECTION 6. PARTICIPATION IN HEALTH CARE

| NO. | QUESTIONS AND FILTERS | CODING CATEGORIES | SKIP |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 601 | CHECK 211: <br> LAST CHILD BORN SINCE JANUARY 1994' | has No CHILDREN OR THE LAST CHILD WAS BORN BEFORE JANUARY 1994 | 701 |
| 602 | What is the name of your last child, that is the one who was born in (DATE AS INDICATED IN 211)? | (NAME OF LAST CHILD) |  |
| 603 | Who is the mother of (NAME OF CHILD) | WRITE THE CHILD'S MOTHER'S NAME AND LINE NUMBER AS INDICATED IN QUESTION 405. IF THE MOTHER IS NOT A HOUSEHOLD MEMBER WRITE "O0" $\square$ <br> (NAME OF LAST CHILD'S MOTHER) |  |
| 604 | CHECK 603: <br> MOTHER OF LAST CHILD dOES NOT LIVE IN THE HOUSEHOLD (CODE 00) | ER OF LAST CHILD IN THE HOUSEHOLD | 606 |
| 605 | What is your relationshlp with (NAME OF LAST CHILD'S MOTHER)? |  |  |
| 606 | When (NAME OF LAST CHILD'S MOTHER) became pregnant of (NAME OF LAST BORN CHILD), did you want to have a child then, did you want to have a child but wanted to wait until later, or did you not want to have any (more) children at all? | WANTED THEN <br> WANTED LATER $\qquad$ | -608 $\rightarrow 608$ |
| 607 | How much longer would you like to have waited? | MONTHS <br> YEARS $\qquad$ <br> UNDECIDED/DON'T KNOW | . |
| 608 | Did (NAME OF LAST CHILD'S MOTHER) go to a health facility to recelve antenatal care for this pregnancy? |  | $1-613$ |
| 609 | At any time during this pregnancy, did you accompany (NAME OF LAST CHILD'S MOTHER) when she went to the health facility for antenatal care? |  |  |
| 610 | At any time while (NAME OF LAST CHILD'S MOTHER) was pregnant, did any health professional talk to you about this particular pregnancy? |  |  |


| NO. | QUESTIONS AND FILTERS | CODING CATEGORIES | SKIP |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 611 | During this pregnancy, did you ever talk with (NAME OF LAST CHILD'S MOTHER) about what the health professional told her about her own health and the baby's health? |  |  |
| 612 | In your opinion, was this a normal pregnancy or were there health compilcations more serious than those that commonly occur during pregnancies? | NORMAL PREGNANCY . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 1 <br> THERE WERE COMPLICATIONS $\qquad$ 2 <br> UNSURE/DON'T KNOW $\qquad$ 8 |  |
| 613 | Where did (NAME OF LAST CHILD'S MOTHER) give birth to (NAME OF LAST BORN CHILD)? | HOME $\qquad$ <br> GOV. HOSPITAL/HEALTH CENTER $\qquad$ 2 <br> PRIVATE HOSPITALCLINIC $\qquad$ 3 <br> OTHER $\qquad$ 6 | $\rightarrow 615$ $\rightarrow 615$ |
| 614 | When she gave birth to (NAME OF LAST BORN CHILD), did you go to the (HOSPITALHEALTH CENTER/CLINIC) with her? |  |  |
| 615 | In the first two months after (NAME OF LAST BORN CHILD) was born, did (NAME OF LAST CHILD'S MOTHER) visit a health facility to have her own health or the child's health checked? |  | ト |
| 616 | Did you accompany (NAME OF LAST CHILD'S MOTHER) on any of these visits? |  | $\rightarrow 618$ |
| 617 | At any time during these visits, did the health professional talk to you about (NAME OF LAST CHILD'S MOTHER)'s health or (NAME OF LAST BORN CHILD)'s health? |  |  |
| 618 | Did you talk with (NAME OF LAST CHILD'S MOTHER) about what the health professional told her conceming her own health or the child's health? |  |  |
| 619 | Did (NAME OF LAST BORN CHILD) ever receive any vaccinations to prevent him/her from getting diseases? |  | $\vdash^{-622}$ |
| 620 | Were any of theses vaccines given at a health faclity? |  | $\rightarrow 622$ |
| 621 | The last time (NAME OF LAST BORN CHILD) was vaccinated in a health faclity, who took him/her to the health facility? <br> RECORD ALL MENTIONED | RESPONDENT $\qquad$ <br> CHILD'S MOTHER $\qquad$ <br> FEMALE RELATIVE $\qquad$ C <br> MALE RELATIVE $\qquad$ D <br> OTHER <br> (SPECIFY) |  |
| 622 | Did (NAME OF LAST BORN CHILD) have a fever, cough or diarnea at any time in the last four weeks? |  | $1-701$ |


| NO. | QUESTIONS AND FILTERS | CODING CATEGORIES | SKIP |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 623 | Who took care of (NAME OF LAST BORN CHILD) when he/she was sick? <br> RECORD ALL MENTIONED | RESPONDENT $\qquad$ <br> CHILD'S MOTHER $\qquad$ B <br> FEMALE RELATIVE $\qquad$ C <br> MALE RELATIVE $\qquad$ OTHER <br> (SPECIFY) |  |
| 624 | Was (NAME OF LAST BORN CHILD) seen by a health professional when he/she was sick? |  | $1-701$ |
| 625 | Who took the decision that (NAME OF LAST BORN CHILD) needed to be seen by a health professional? <br> RECORD ALL MENTIONED |  |  |
| 626 | The last time (NAME OF LAST BORN CHILD) was seen by a health professional, who took him/her to the health facility? <br> RECORD ALL MENTIONED | RESPONDENT $\qquad$ <br> CHILD'S MOTHER $\qquad$ B <br> FEMALE RELATIVE $\qquad$ C <br> MALE RELATIVE $\qquad$ |  |
| 627 | Were you present when (NAME OF LAST BORN CHILD) was seen by the health professional? |  |  |

## SECTION 7. AIDS AND OTHER SEXUALLY TRANSMITTED DISEASES

| NO. | QUESTIONS AND FILTERS | CODING CATEGORIES | SKIP |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 701 | Now I would like to talk about something else. Have you ever heard of an illness called AIDS? |  | $\rightarrow$-718 |
| 702 | Is there anything a person can do to avoid getting AIDS or the virus that causes AIDS? | YES . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 1 NO 2 DON'T KNOW . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 8 | 1.710 |
| 703 | What can a person do? <br> Anything else? <br> RECORD ALL MENTIONED. |  |  |
| 704 | Is it possible to avoid AIDS by having only one not infected sexual partne who doesn't have other partners? |  |  |
| 705 | Can a person get AIDS through mosquito bite? |  |  |
| 706 | In your view, is a person's chance of getting AIDS affected by using a condom every time he or she has sexual intercourse? |  |  |
| 707 | Is it possibla to prevent AIDS by avoiding eating togather with AIDS carrier? |  |  |
| 708 | Is it possible to prevent AIDS by total abstinence from sexual intercourse? |  |  |
| 710 | Is it possible for a healthy-looking person to have the AIDS virus? |  |  |
| 711 | Do you know someone personally who has the virus that causes AIDS or someone who died from AIDS? |  |  |
| 712 | Can the virus that causes AIDS be transmitted from a mother to a child? |  | $\square \rightarrow 714$ |
| 713 | When can the virus that causes AIDS be transmilted from a mother to a child? Can it be transmitted... <br> During pregnancy? <br> During delivery? <br> During breastfeeding? | YES NO DK <br> 1 2 8 <br> 1 2 8 <br> 1 2 8 |  |


| 714 | CHECK 401: <br> CURRENTLY MARRIED/ <br> LIVING WITH A WOMAN |  |  | $\rightarrow 715 a$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 715 | Have you ever talked about ways to prevent getting the virus that causes AIDS with (your wife/the woman you are living with)? | $\begin{aligned} & \text { YES } \\ & \text { NO } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \\ & \ldots . \\ & \ldots \end{aligned}{ }^{1}$ |  |
| 715a | In your opinion, is it acceptable or unacceptable for AIDS to be discussed: <br> on the radio? <br> on the TV? <br> In newspapers? | ACCEPTABLE UNACCEPTABLE $\begin{array}{ll} 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 \end{array}$ | DK $\begin{aligned} & 3 \\ & 3 \\ & 3 \end{aligned}$ |  |
| 716 | If a person learns that he/she is infected with the virus that causes AIDS, should the person be allowed to keep this fact private or should this information be available to the community? | CAN BE KEPT PRIVATE AVAILABLE TO COMMUNITY DK/NOT SURE | $\begin{array}{ll} \cdots & 1 \\ \cdots & 2 \\ \cdots & 8 \end{array}$ |  |
| 717a | If a relative of yours became sick with the virus that causes AIDS, would you be willing to care for her or him in your own household? | YES <br> NO DKINOT SURE/DEPENDS | $\begin{array}{cc} \ldots & 1 \\ \cdots & 2 \\ \cdots & 8 \end{array}$ |  |
| 717b | Should persons with the AIDS virus who work with other persons such as in a shop, office, or farm be allowed to continue their work or not? | CAN CONTINUE WORK SHOULD NOT CONTINUE WORK DKINOT SURE/DEPENDS | $\begin{array}{ccc} \ldots & 1 \\ \cdots & 2 \\ \ldots & 8 \end{array}$ |  |
| 717c | Should children aged 12-14 be taught about using a condom to avoid AIDS? | YES <br> NO <br> DKINOT SUREIDEPENDS | $\begin{array}{ccc} \ldots & 1 \\ \ldots \ldots & 2 \\ \ldots & 8 \end{array}$ |  |
| 717d | Have you ever been tested to see if you have the AIDS virus? | $\begin{aligned} & \text { YES } \\ & \text { NO } \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{array}{ll}  & \\ \ldots . & 1 \\ \ldots . & 2 \end{array}$ | $\rightarrow-717 \mathrm{gx}$ |
| 717e | Would you want to be tested for the AIDS virus? | YES <br> NO DON'T KNOWIUNSURE | $\begin{array}{ll} \ldots . & 1 \\ \cdots & 2 \\ \ldots . & 8 \end{array}$ |  |
| 717 f NO. | Do you know a place where you could go to get an AIDS test? <br> QUESTIONS AND FILTERS | $\begin{aligned} & \text { YES } \\ & \text { NO } . \end{aligned}$ <br> CODING CATEGORIES | $\begin{array}{cc} \ldots & 1 \\ \cdots & 2 \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & -718 \\ & \hline \text { SKIP } \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ |
| $\begin{aligned} & 7179 \\ & 717 g \end{aligned}$ | Where can you go for the test? <br> Where did you go for the test? <br> IF SOURCE IS HOSPITAL, HEALTH CENTER, OR CLINIC, WRITE THE NAME OF THE PLACE. PROBE TO IDENTIFY THE TYPE OF SOURCE AND CIRCLE THE APPROPRIATE CODE. | PUBLIC SECTOR GOVERNMENT HOSPITAL GOVT. HEALTH CENTER FAMILY PLANNING CLINIC MOBILE CLINIC FIELD WORKER OTHER PUBLIC <br> PRIVATE MEDICAL SECTOR <br> PRIVATE HOSPITALCLINIC PHARMACY <br> PRIVATE DOCTOR <br> OTHER PRIVATE MEDICAL <br> OTHER SOURCE <br> SHOP <br> CHURCH <br> FRIENDS/RELATIVES <br> OTHER $\qquad$ |  |  |
| 718 | (Apart from AIDS), have you heard about (other) infections that can be transmitted through sexual contact? | $\begin{aligned} & \text { YES } \\ & \text { NO } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{array}{cc}  & 1 \\ \cdots & 2 \end{array}$ | $\rightarrow 723$ |

In a man, what signs and symptoms would lead you to think that he has such an infection?

ABDOMINAL PAIN .................................. A
GENITAL DISCHARGE/DRIPPING . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . B
FOUL SMELLING DISCHARGE ....................... $C$
BURNING PAIN ON URINATION . .................... D
REDNESS/INFLAMMATION IN
GENITAL AREA ....................................
SWELLING IN GENITAL AREA . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . F
GENITAL SORES/ULCERS ............................ G
GENITAL WARTS .................................... H
BLOOD IN URINE . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . .
LOSS OF WEIGHT . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . J
IMPOTENCE .............................................. K
NO SYMPTOMS ........................................ . . L


| 727 | The last time you had (INFECTION FROM 822/823/824) did you do any of the following? Did you.... <br> Seek advice from a heatth worker in a clinic or hospital? <br> Seek advice or medicine from a traditional healer? <br> Seek advice or buy medicines in a shop or pharmacy? <br> Ask for advice from friends or relatives? | YES <br> 1 <br> 1 <br> 1 <br> 1 | $\begin{array}{r} \text { NO } \\ 2 \\ 2 \\ 2 \\ 2 \end{array}$ |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 728 | When you had (INFECTION FROM 822/823/824), did you inform the persons with whom you have been having sex? | YES NO SOME/NO | $\begin{aligned} & 1 \\ & 2 \\ & 3 \end{aligned}$ |  |
| 729 | When you had (INFECTION FROM 822/823/824) did you do something to avoid infecting your sexual partner(s)? | $\begin{aligned} & \text { YES } \ldots . . \\ & \text { NO } \ldots \ldots \\ & \text { PARTNER } \end{aligned}$ |  | $I_{\boxed{2}}$ |
| 730 | What did you do to avoid infecting your partner? Did you.... <br> Stop having sex? <br> Use a condom when having sex? <br> Take medicine? | $\begin{gathered} \text { YES } \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{array}{r} \mathrm{NO} \\ 2 \\ 2 \\ 2 \end{array}$ |  |


| NO. | QUESTIONS AND FILTERS | CODING CATEGORIES |  |  | SKIP |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Now I would like to ask you a few questions regarding couples. People have many different opinions on these subjects and we would like to know what it is that you think about it. |  |  |  |  |
| 801 | If the husband can provide enough money, do you believe that it is acceptable for the wife/partner to work outside the home to eam an income? | ACCEPTABLE <br> UNACCEPTAB <br> NO OPINION/ |  | itside ... 1 OUTSIDE . 2 $\qquad$ | $\rightarrow 803$ |
| 802 | If for some reason the husband cannot provide enough money for the family, do you believe that it is acceptable for wife/partner to work outside the home to eam an income? | ACCEPTABLE <br> UNACCEPTAB <br> NO OPINION/D |  | tSIDE ... 1 OUTSIDE . 2 $\qquad$ |  |
| 803 | In a couple, do you think the woman should have a say about: <br> a) large household expenses, that require a lot of money? <br> b) minor daily household expenses? <br> c) when to visit family, friends or relatives? <br> d) what to do with the money she eams for her work? | YES <br> a) $1$ <br> b) $1$ <br> c) $1$ <br> d) $1$ | $\begin{gathered} \mathrm{NO} \\ 2 \\ 2 \\ 2 \\ 2 \end{gathered}$ | DO NOT KNOWI DEPENDS <br> 8 <br> 8 <br> 8 <br> 8 |  |
| 804 | Sometimes a husband is annoyed or angered by things which his wife/partner does. In your opinion, is a husband/partner justified in hitting or beating his wife/partner in the following situations: <br> a) If she goes out without telling him? <br> b) If she neglects the children? <br> c) If she argues with him? <br> d) If she refuses sex with him? <br> e) If she bums the food? |  YES <br> a) 1 <br> b) 1 <br> c) 1 <br> d) 1 <br> e) 1 | NO 2 2 2 2 2 2 | DO NOT KNOWI DEPENDS <br> 8 <br> 8 <br> 8 <br> 8 <br> 8 |  |
| 805 | Husbands and wives do not always agree on everything. Please tell me if you think a wife is justified in refusing to have sex with her husband when: <br> a) She has recently given birth to a child? <br> b) She know or suspects that her husband has a sexually transmitted disease or AIDS? <br> c) She know or suspects that her husband has been having sex with other women? <br> d) She is not feeling well or she is tired? <br> e) She is not in the mood to have sex? |  YES <br> a) 1 <br> b) 1 <br> c) 1 <br> d) 1 <br> e) 1 | NO 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 | DO NOT KNOWI DEPENDS <br> 8 <br> 8 <br> 8 <br> 8 <br> 8 |  |
| 806 | Do you think that if a woman refuses to have sex with her husband, he has the right to <br> a) Get angry and reprimand her? <br> b) Refuse to give her money or other means of financial support? <br> c) Use force and have sex with her even if she doesn't want to? | YES <br> a) 1 <br> b) $\quad 1$ <br> c) | NO 2 2 2 | DO NOT KNOWI DEPENDS <br> 8 <br> 8 <br> 8 |  |
| 807 | In a household who do you think should have the main responsiblity to maintain the discipline among the chlldren, the man, the woman or both? | MAN $\qquad$ <br> WOMAN <br> BOTH $\qquad$ <br> ANY OTHER |  |  |  |


| NO. | QUESTIONS AND FILTERS | CODING CATEGORIES | SKIP |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 809 | In a couple, who do you think has the main responsibilities in the house, that is to say, cooking, cleaning, washing clothes and utensils, fetching water, tending the animals, collecting fuelwood? |  |  |
| 810 | As far as you can remember, has your father ever hit your mother? |  |  |
| 811 | RECORD THE TIME. | HOUR <br> MINUTES $\qquad$ $\square$ |  |

READ TO THE RESPONDENT THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION ABOUT ANEMIA AND REQUEST HIS PARTICIPATION IN THE ANEMIA TESTING PART OF THE SURVEY. IF THE RESPONDENT AGREES TO PARTICIPATE, ASK HIM TO SIGN AND DATE THE RESPONDENT CONSENT FORM. THEN RECORD THE OUTCOME OF THIS REQUEST BY CIRCLING THE APPROPRIATE CODE AT THE BOTTOM OF THIS PAGE.

## KAZAKHSTAN ACADEMY OF PREVENTIVE MEDICINE

## Dear Respondent:

The Academy of Preventive Medicine is conducting Demographic and Health Survey in Kazakhstan. As part of this program we study the prevalence of anemia among, men, women and their children. We ask you to participate in this program, which will assist the Committee of Health of MECH RK to develop the specific measures to prevent and treat anemia.

Anemia is a disease, which is characterized by a low count of red blood cells. It results from poor nutrition and other causes
Today, it is possible to rapidly (within a few minutes) diagnose this disease. A low level of hemoglobin (less than $\mathbf{1 2} \mathbf{g} / \mathrm{dl}$ ) can be determined by a Hemocue machine on the basis of a single drop of blood.

If you decide to participate in this program, we will ask you to provide a drop of blood from your finger for the analysis. The procedure will be done by sterile instruments. The blood will be analyzed using the new sophisticated American equipment, Hemocue. The result of analysis will be available to you right after the blood is taken and assessed by Hemocue. We will also keep the results confidential.

If you decide to participate in this program, please sign at the bottom of this form that you agree to provide a drop of blood.
If you decide not to participate, it is your right, and we will respect your choice.

I am
Last name, $\quad$ First name Middle name
agree to donate a drop of blood for the purpose of anemia diagnosis.
Signature: $\qquad$ Date: $\qquad$
$\qquad$

| 901 | RESPONDENT AGREES <br> TO TESTING .......................... 1 $902$ | RESPONDENT DOES <br> NOT AGREE TO TESTING . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 2 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 902 | RESPONDENT'S HEMOGLOBIN LEVEL (G/DL) |  |
| 903 | RESULT | MEASURED . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . NOT MEASURED REFUSED . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 3 <br> OTHER $\qquad$ (SPECIFY) |


[^0]:    ${ }^{1}$ Data from the Agency on Health
    ${ }_{3}^{2}$ Piped, well, and bottled water
    ${ }^{3}$ First births are excluded.

[^1]:    ${ }^{1}$ A detailed description of definitional differences and different estimates of infant mortality is presented in chapter 9 of this report.

[^2]:    ${ }^{1}$ Youths who are over age for a given level of schooling may have started school over age, may have repeated one or more grades in school, or may have dropped out of school and returned later.

[^3]:    Table 3.8 Employment
    Percent distribution of women by employment status and among those currently working, whether or not they earned cash, according to background characteristics, Kazakhstan 1999

[^4]:    ${ }^{1}$ Numerators for age-specific fertility rates are calculated by summing the number of live births that occurred in the 1-36 months preceding the survey (determined from the date of interview and birth date of the child) and classifying them by age (in five-year groups) of the mother at the time of birth (determined from the birth date of the mother). The denominators of the rates are the number of woman-years lived in each of the specified five-year age groups during the $1-36$ months preceding the survey.

[^5]:    ${ }^{2}$ The rates for the older age groups (shown in brackets in Table 4.4) represent partial fertility rates due to truncation. Women 50 years of age and older were not included in the survey, and the further back in time that the rates are calculated, the more severe is the truncation. For example, rates cannot be calculated for women age $40-44$ for the period $10-14$ years before the survey because these women would have been over age 50 years at the time of the survey and thus were not interviewed.

[^6]:    Note: Figures in parentheses are based on 25-49 unweighted cases.

[^7]:    Note: Median values are for ever-married women who have ever used contraception. Median values in this

[^8]:    ${ }^{1}$ Data collection included recording the name of the source so that team supervisors and editors could verify the sources.

[^9]:    ${ }^{1}$ The term abortion as used in the remainder of this report includes mini-abortions unless indicated otherwise.
    ${ }^{2}$ The pregnancy history was structured to ensure as complete reporting of abortions as possible, especially for the period immediately before the survey. Data were collected in reverse chronological order (i.e., information was first collected about the most recent pregnancy and then about the next to last and so on). This procedure was designed to result in more complete reporting of events for the years immediately before the survey than collecting information in chronological order would. At the end of the pregnancy history, interviewers were required to check the consistency between the aggregate data collected at the outset of the reproductive section and the number of events reported in the pregnancy history. Finally, interviewers were required to probe pregnancy intervals of four years or more to detect omitted events.

[^10]:    ${ }^{1}$ For each cohort, the accumulated percentages stop at the lower age boundary of the cohort to avoid censoring problems. For instance, for the cohort currently age 20-24, accumulation stops with the percentage married by exactly age 20.

[^11]:    ${ }^{1}$ For an exact description of the calculation, see footnote 1 , Table 8.5.

[^12]:    ${ }^{1}$ For example, see the neonatal and infant mortality rates for Hungary (1955), Italy (1955), and Puerto Rico (1957) in the U.N. Demographic Yearbook, 1961 and for Portugal (1968) in the U.N. Demographic Yearbook, 1974.

[^13]:    ${ }^{4}$ It should also be noted that there is a significant difference between the 1995 KDHS infant mortality estimate for 1990-95 ( 40 per 1,000) and the 1999 KDHS estimate for 1989-94 ( 50 per 1,000). An explanation for this difference is not known at this time. However, it is more likely that the 10 -point difference is due to sampling error than is the 22point difference between the 1990-95 estimate from the 1995 survey ( 40 per 1,000) and the 1994-99 estimate from the 1999 survey ( 62 per 1,000).
    ${ }^{5}$ In cases where the gestation age is unknown, fetuses that weigh less than 1,000 grams or measure less than 35 centimeters in length are considered immature and are classified as miscarriages.

[^14]:    Note: Figures are for births in the period 0-59 months preceding the survey.
    ${ }^{1}$ If the respondent mentioned more than one source of antenatal care, only the provider with the highest qualifications is considered.

[^15]:    ${ }^{1}$ In the cities Almaty, Zhezkazgan and Semipalatinsk the children measured were from all households in every second cluster.
    ${ }^{2}$ In the cities of Almaty, Zhezkazgan, and Semipalatinsk the women measured were from all households in every second cluster

[^16]:    ${ }^{3}$ If 150 cm is used as the cutoff, 6 percent of women would be considered at risk.
    ${ }^{4}$ Pregnant women were excluded from the BMI analyses because precise data on gestational age, necessary for adjustments, were not available.

[^17]:    ** Q. 10 THROUGH 0.13
    THESE QUESTIONS REFER TO THE BIOLOGICAL PARENTS OF
    THE CHILD.
    IN Q. 11 AND Q. 13 , RECORD ' 00 ' IF PARENT NOT LISTED IN HOUSEHOLD SCHEDULE.

