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## PREFACE

The Department of Statistics takes pleasure in presenting the principal report for the Jordan Population and Family Health Survey, 1990. This survey was undertaken by the Department of Statistics in collaboration with the Ministry of Health and IRD/Macro International Inc. under the international Demographic and Health Surveys (DHS) program. IRD/Macro International provided funding as well as technical assistance. Additional funds were provided by the United States Agency for International Development (USAID)/Amman.

The survey covered a national sample of about 16,300 househoIds. This sample was used to collect information on households, including basic demographic characteristics, education, health insurance, and basic information to measure unemployment. Half of the sample (also nationally representative and covering all sample clusters) was used to identify ever-married women of childbearing age forthe individual interview. Information collected from these women covered the areas of fertility and fertility preference, family planning, breastfeeding and nutrition, child health, immunization, morbidity and mortality.

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## SUMMARY AND RECOMMENDATIONS

The Jordan Population and Family Health Survey (JPFHS) was carried out by the Department of Statistics between September and December 1990. Financial and technical assistance were provided by IRD/Macro Intemational Inc. under a contract with the United States Agency for Intemational Development (USAID)/Washington. The USAID/Amman provided partial financial support for the survey.

The JPFHS was designed to provide information on levels and trends of fertility, infant and child mortality, and family planning. The survey also gathered information on breastfeeding, matemal and child health care, the nutritional status of children under five, as well as the characteristics of households and household members. The survey covered a nationally representative sample of 8,333 households and a total of 6,461 ever-married women between the ages of 15 and 49 .

## A. CURRENT STATUS AND PROGRESS

## Fertility

- The JPFHS documents that significant progress has been made in relation to the fertility of women in Jordan. The total fertility rate for the five-year period prior to the survey indicates that on average, women have 5.6 children by the end of their reproductive years. This figure represents a reduction of 15 percent over the preceding seven-year period (from 1983 to 1990). The total fertility rate was 7.7 in the 1976 Jordan Fertility Survey (JFS) and 6.6 in the 1983 Fertility and Family Health Survey (JFFHS).
- There are large differences in fertility by educational attainment of the women. Women who have attended more than secondary schooling can expect to have 4 children in their lifetime, while women with no education have close to 7 children.
- Further decline in fertility can be expected in the future. Approximately 50 percent of currently married women in Jordan do not want any more children. If the desired family size were achieved, the fertility rate would be only 3.9 children per woman, or 30 percent less than the current rate.


## Family Planning

- A major portion of the decline in fertility can be attributed to the increasing use of family planning, especially modem methods. Results from the survey indicate that 40 percent of currently married women are using a method of family planning (including 5 percent of women who use prolonged breastfeeding as a method of contraception). This is an increase of 35 percent since 1983, when the contraceptive prevalence rate was 26 percent (which does not include users of prolonged breastfeeding). Two-thirds of women use modern methods, particularly the IUD ( 15 percent), female sterilization ( 6 percent), and pill ( 5 percent).
- Widespread knowledge of family planning is also supportive of further fertility decline. Virtually all currently married women know a method of contraception. Women generally feel it is acceptable to have family planning messages broadcast on radio and television.
- Married women living in large cities are twice as likely to use modern contraception as women in rural areas.
- Contraceptive use increases with parity; currently married women who have no living children have the lowest level of use; women with four or more children have the highest level of use.


## Other Fertility Determinants

- The JPFHS data show that women in Jordan are marrying at increasingly older ages. The differentials in age at first marriage by region and type of residence are small. However, women who have attended more than secondary education marry on average almost 6 years later than women with no education.
- In addition to marriage patterns, the risk of pregnancy is affected by postpartum amenorrhea, the period after childbirth when menstruation has not yet retumed; postpartum abstinence, the period when sexual activity has not yet been resumed; and breastfeeding. On average, women start menstruating again 7 months after childbirth; sexual relations are resumed a little over 2 months after childbirth; and women breastfeed their children for 13 months.
- Taking into account the effects of postpartum amenorrhea and abstinence, a women is not at risk of pregnancy for an average of 7 months after delivering a baby.
- The protection from pregnancy conferred by postpartum amenorrhea, abstinence, and breastfeeding is one month shorter for women living in large cities than for rural women. It is two months shorter for women who have attended more than secondary education than for women who have no education.


## Future Use of Family Planning

- Four in ten married women who are not currently using contraception say that they intend to adopt a family planning method some time in the future.
- Close to half of the women who expressed an intention to use contraception in the future said they would prefer to use the IUD. The next most popular method is the pill.


## Fertility Preferences

- On average, the ideal number of children for women is 4.4 . There is little variation by residence, however, women 15-19 years want an average of more than one child less than women 45-49; women who have attended more than secondary school want one child less than women who have no education.
- The JPFHS documents that seven in ten women who are using contraception do so to stop childbearing.


## Maternal and Child Health

- As indicated by the survey results, Jordan has made considerable progress in providing health care to pregnant women and their children. For 80 percent of births in the past five years, the mothers received at least one pregnancy checkup from medically trained personnel.
- Four of five births in the past five years were delivered in a hospital. In the seven years between 1983 and 1990, hospitals have become popular as a place of delivery.
- Forty percent of the births in the five years preceding the survey were to women who had a tetanus toxoid injection during pregnancy. This is a substantial improvement over coverage in 1983, when the injection was received for only 9 percent of births.
- The JPFHS found that 88 percent of children 12-23 months of age in Jordan have been vaccinated against DPT, polio and measles. However, less than one in five received a BCG vaccination.
- Nine percent of children under five had diarrhea in the two weeks preceding the survey. Of these children, four in ten were given oral rehydration therapy in the form of a solution prepared from ORS packets.
- In the JPFHS, all children born since January 1985 were weighed and measured. Nineteen percent of children under five are short for their age (stunted)-a measure of chronic undcrnutrition; 6 pcrcent are underweight for their age.


## Infant and Child Mortality

- The infant and child mortality rates for the five-year period preceding the survey are 34 and 39 deaths per 1,000 births respectively.
- While there is no significant difference in infant mortality by urban-rural residence, children of mothers who have attended more than secondary education have a greater probability of surviving in the first year of life than children of mothers who have no education.


## CONTINUING CHALLENGES

- Despite the increase in the use of family planning methods and the apparent decline in fertility, the Jordan Population and Family Healch Survey reveals a number of continuing challenges. The major concern is that, although fertility levels are declining, over 20 percent of births in the five years preceding the survey were not wanted when they occurred. If these unwanted births had been prevented, women would have had an average of 3.9 births, instead of 5.6 births.
- Almost one-quarter of currently married women reported that they wanted to delay the next birth or wanted to stop childbearing, but were not using a contraceptive method. This situation is defined as unmet need offamily planning. Eight percent of married women are in need of family planning to delay the next birth, while 15 percent are in need to limit further childbearing.
- To delay, and in many cases to prevent a birth is an important decision, which influences the health of children. Four of five births occurring in the five ycars preceding the survey were at high risk either because the mother was too young (under age 18), too old (age 35 and over), had many prior births ( 3 or more), or the interval since the previous birth was too short (less than two years).
- The JPFHS provides information on the reasons women give for discontinuing use of various family planning methods. Having become pregnant, wanting to become pregnant, and side effects of methods were the most frequently cited reasons for discontinuing the use of contraception. Pill and IUD users were most concemed about the side effects, while method failure was the major problem reported by users of traditional methods.
- The major (potential) barrier to use of family planning by married women who are not using contraception is the desire to have children and the difficulty in becoming pregnant.


## C. RECOMMENDATIONS

The results of the 1990 JPFHS demonstrate that the maternal and child health (MCH) programs in Jordan have good coverage in providing antenatal and delivery care to women of reproductive age. The survey indicates that the utilization of MCH services has increased, along with knowledge and use of family planning. However, the survey data also suggest that there is room for improvement in a number of areas.

- Additional effort is needed in information and education on the benefits of adopting family planning for the purpose of delaying or limiting childbearing. These efforts should cover topics such as: sources of family planning services, the monthly reproductive cycle, and side effects associated with certain methods.
- Potential users should be counseled on the most appropriate method for their age, fertility intentions, and personal situation.
- Emphasis should be placed on the health benefits for mothers and children of practicing traditional methods such as prolonged breastfeeding.


## JORDAN



## CHAPTER 1

## INTRODUCTION

### 1.1 HISTORY, GEOGRAPHY, AND ECONOMY

Jordan, one of the most modern countries in the Middle East, is almost entirely land-locked. The port of Aqaba in the far south is Jordan's only outlet to the sea. Palestine separates it from the Mediterranean, while Saudi Arabia lies to the south and east, Iraq to the northeast, and Syria to the north. The total area of the country is about 89,000 square kilometers.

The country was part of the Ottoman Empire until 1921 when it gained its independence. It was declared a political entity known as "Transjordan" in 1923. In 1950, Transjordan and the West Bank were united, and assumed the current name of the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan. In 1967, the West Bank and Gaza Strip were occupied by Israeli forces, causing a massive influx of migrants to the East Bank. The West Bank was excluded from the Kingdom in 1988 upon the desires of the Arab states to facilitate the establishment of the Palestinian state.

The country is divided into 8 governorates, which are organized into three regions: Irbid and Mafraq in the Northem region; Amman, Zarqa, and Balqa in the Central region; and Karak, Tafielah, and Ma'an in the Southem region. The major cities are Amman, Zarqa, and Irbid. There are three agricultural development regions that divide the country longitudinally from north to south. These are the Jordan Valley, the highlands, and the semidesert badia. The geographical distribution of the population is determined mainly by rainfall patterns and methods of cultivation, in addition to business and manufacturing. More than 80 percent of the population are concentrated in one-eighth of the total land area, mainly in the uplands of the northwest. Ninety-six percent of Jordanians are Muslims; about 4 percent are Christians (Department of Statistics, 1984a).

The most serious problem facing the government after the 1991 Gulf War was the return of large numbers of Jordanian nationals who had been working in the Gulf countries. By the end of 1990, their number was estimated to reach 300,000 , most of whom came from Kuwait. In addition, some 90,000 refugees (primarily from Bangladesh, Egypt, Sri Lanka, and the Philippines) crossed into Jordan from neighboring countries. These people came mostly from Kuwait and Saudi Arabia. The sudden increase in the population has created problems regarding food, housing, employment, and education.

### 1.2 POPULATION

## Size, Growth, and Structure

Prior to 1952, there was no organized attempt to study the population of the East Bank of Jordan, except for rough estimates based on registers compiled by the United Nations Relief and Welfare Agency (UNRWA). The 1952 Housing Census produced information about the population (then estimated at 586,000 persons), as well as about the housing situation. The first population census, which was carried out in 1961, found 900,000 persons living in the East Bank. As a result of the establishment of the state of Israel in 1948 and the 1967 Arab-Israeli War, which caused the occupation of the West Bank and Gaza Strip, a large number of Palestinians moved to the East Bank. The population increased from 2.13 million in 1979 (Department of Statistics, 1982) to 3.45 million in 1990 (National Population Commission, 1991), an average increase of 4.3 percent annually. At this rate, the population can be expected to double in 16 years.

The Jordanian population is highly urbanized. More than 70 percent of the population live in localities of more than 5,000 inhabitants. These localities are concentrated in the three largest, most urban governorates, Amman, Zarqa and Irbid, which are named after the three largest cities. Twenty-five percent of the population live in the capital, Amman; while Zarqa and Irbid cities are inhabited by more than 10 and 5 percent of the country's population, respectively.

Results of the Health, Nutrition, Manpower, and Poverty Survey conducted in 1987 (Department of Statistics, 1989a) indicate that the age structure of the population has changed considerably since 1979, primarily as a result of changes in fertility, mortality, and migration. The proportion of population under 15 years of age declined from 57 percent in 1979 to 46 percent in 1987, while the proportion age 65 or over increased from 2.8 percent in 1979 to 3 percent in 1987.

## Fertility

Fertility has been declining in Jordan since the mid-1970s. Studies have found that the total fertility rate declined from 7.7 children per woman in 1976, to 7.1 in 1981, to 6.6 in 1983. The estimated crude birth rate, based on births registered with the Deparment of Civil Status and Passports, was 50 births per thousand population in the early 1970s, and 34 births per thousand population in 1990 (Department of Statistics, 1991).

## Mortality

Mortality has been declining even faster than fertility. The crude death rate, estimated at 19 deaths per thousand population in the 1950s, had declined to 12 per thousand two decades later. In 1990, the crude death rate was estimated to be 7 deaths per thousand population (Department of Statistics, 1991). Another measure of mortality, the infant mortality rate, was estimated at 125 deaths per thousand live births for the period 1951-1955. After twenty years, it had declined by half to 67 per thousand (Abdel Aziz, 1983) and in 1980-1987 it was estimated to be 49 deaths per thousand live births (Zou'bi, 1989).

## Internal Migration and Urbanization

The most recent information on internal migration is obtained from the 1986 Internal Migration Survey (Department of Statistics, 1989b). According to this survey 6 percent of the population are lifetime migrants and 9 percent are current migrants. Lifetime migrants are calculated based on place of birth, while current migrants are calculated based on last place of residence. The study was limited to the East Bank, with the govemorates as geographic units. Forced migration from the West Bank and Gaza Strip was not included.

Internal migration has generally taken place over short distances and occurs mainly in the Central region. The movement of people from rural to urban areas is an important factor in the rapidly increasing population density in urban areas. A typical migration pattern is for people to move from a village to an urban center in the same govemorate, then move to another urban center in another govemorate.

## International Migration

International migration in Jordan flows in two directions. There has always been considerable population movement from Jordan to the Gulf States; at the same time, people are coming into Jordan from Egypt, Syria and Asia, mainly from Sri Lanka and the Philippines.

The Gulf crisis brought back an estimated 300,000 Jordanians from the Gulf States, particularly from Kuwait. The large influx of people created problems of unemployment and poverty, and a general worsening of the standard of living.

### 1.3 HEALTH POLICY AND PROGRAMS

## Health Policy and Strategy

The national health policy is based on the principle that all citizens have the right to health services. The Ministry of Health is committed to making health services available, accessible, and acceptable in all communities, and seeks to ensure equitable distribution of these services. The objective of the government is to achieve "Health for all by the year 2000," in accordance with the guidelines set forth by the World Health Organization. To meet this objective, the government has given priority to the health sector and developed a national health strategy. This strategy is aimed at creating a comprehensive health care system, utilizing both public and private service providers, and covering all levels of care from preventive care to tertiary and rehabilitative care. The health sector's goal in improving the health status and the quality of life is twofold: to reduce the probability of becoming ill, and to increase the probability of recovery.

## Health Plans and Programs

Recognizing that investment in socioeconomic development is vital to improving the quality of life and the standard of living, the government of Jordan has, in its health programs, focused on the following areas:

1. Coordination of primary, secondary, and tertiary health service delivery, in order to improve the efficiency of the health system and to avoid duplication among health providers and the waste of resources;
2. Health manpower development to raise standards in all health manpower categories and to maintain quality standards throughout the system;
3. Facility development by upgrading the existing health centers and hospitals, and building new facilities as needed;
4. Improve efficiency in expenditures without affecting the quality of services.

Short-term and long-term plans have been developed to improve the health care system and the delivery of services to the population.

### 1.4 OBJECTIVES OF THE SURVEY

The 1990 Jordan Population and Family Health Survey (JPFHS) was carried out as part of the Demographic and Health Survey (DHS) program. The Demographic and Health Surveys is assisting governments and private agencies in the implementation of household surveys in developing countries. The main objectives of the project include: a) providing decision makers with a data base and analyses useful for informed policy choices, b) expanding the international population and health data base, c) advancing survey methodology, and d) developing skills and resources necessary to conduct high quality demographic and health surveys in the participating countries.

The JPFHS was specifically aimed at providing information on fertility, family planning, and infant and child mortality. The questionnaires also gathered information on breastfeeding, maternal and child health care and nutritional status, as well as the characteristics of households and household members. The Jordan Population and Family Health Survey will provide policy makers and planners with important information for use in formulating programs and policies related to reproductive behavior and health.

### 1.5 ORGANIZATION OF THE SURVEY

The JPFHS is a national sample survey designed to collect data on ever-married women of reproductive age. The areas covered include: demographic and socioeconomic characteristics, marriage and reproduction, antenatal care, breastfeeding and child care, fertility preferences, and nutritional status of children under five years of age. The survey was funded primarily by the United States Agency for International Development (USAID) as part of the worldwide DHS program. The Jordan DHS survey was conducted by the Department of Statistics (DOS) in collaboration with the Ministry of Health.

The national director for the JPFHS was the Director General of Statistics; the survey director was the Chief of the National Household Survey Division (Department of Statistics). A national advisory committee was established to provide guidelines for the planning and implementation of the survey. The committee carried out its tasks by holding periodic meetings, particularly during the design stages of the survey. The committee consisted of representatives from various agencies associated with population and health issues. In addition to the Department of Statistics and the Ministry of Health, there were representatives from the Ministry of Planning, the University of Jordan, the Jordan University of Science and Technology, the National Population Committee, and the Jordan Family Planning and Protection Association. A representative from the USAID mission in Amman maintained close contact with the national advisory committee and the survey director.

The survey was executed in three stages; the first was the preparatory stage, which involved mapping, the listing of housing units, and the design and implementation of sampling procedures. At the same time, the survey questionnaires were developed, pretested, and finalized. All of these activities were completed in September 1990. The second stage was the interviewing and collection of data. This was carried out by 11 teams, each consisting of one supervisor, one field editor, three interviewers, and one person to do the anthropometric measurements. Each team was provided with a vehicle and driver. Data collection took place from October through December 1990. The last stage involved data processing, evaluation, and analysis. Data entry started soon after the beginning of the fieldwork, and continucd until May 1991. The Gulf crisis had an impact on the second phase of the data processing, delaying the publication of the preliminary report.

## Sample Design and Implementation

The sample for the JPFHS survey was selected to be representative of the major geographical regions, as well as the nation as a whole. The survey adopted a stratified, multi-stage sampling design. In each governorate, localities were classified into 9 strata according to the estimated population size in 1989. The sampling design also allowed for the survey results to be presented according to major cities (Amman, Irbid and Zarqa), other urban localities, and the rural areas. Localities with fewer than 5,000 people were considered rural.

For this survey, 349 sample units were drawn, containing 10,708 housing units for the individual interview. Since the survey used a separate household questionnaire, the Deparment of Statistics doubled the household sample size and added a few questions on labor force, while keeping the original individual sample intact. This yielded 21,172 housing units. During fieldwork for the household interview, it was found that 4,359 household units were ineligible either because the dwelling was vacant or destroyed, the household was absent during the team visit, or some other reason. There were 16,296 completed household interviews out of 16,813 eligible households, producing a response rate of 96.9 percent.

The completed household interviews yielded 7,246 women eligible for the individual interview, of which 6,461 were successfully interviewed, producing a response rate of 89.2 percent. The sample design
is described in Appendix A, and a discussion of the sampling errors for selected variables is presented in Appendix B.

## Questionnaires

The 1990 JPFHS utilized two questionnaires, one for the household interview and the other for individual women (see Appendix D). Both questionnaires were developed first in English and then translated into Arabic. The household questionnaire was used to list all members of the sample households, including usual residents as well as visitors. For each member of the household, basic demographic and socioeconomic characteristics were recorded and women eligible for the individual interview were identified. To be eligible for individual interview, a woman had to be a usual member of the household (part of the de jure population), ever-married, and between 15 and 49 years of age. The household questionnaire was expanded from the standard DHS-II model questionnaire to facilitate the estimation of adult mortality using the orphanhood and widowhood techniques. In addition, the questionnaire obtained information on polygamy, economic activity of persons 15 years of age and over, family type, type of insurance covering the household members, country of work in the summer of 1990 which coincided with the Gulf crisis, and basic data for the calculation of the crude birth rate and the crude death rate. Additional questions were asked about deceased women if they were ever-married and age 15-49, in order to obtain information for the calculation of maternal mortality indices.

The individual questionnaire is a modified version of the standard DHS-11 model "A" questionnaire. Experience gained from previous surveys, in particular the 1983 Jordan Fertility and Family Health Survey, and the questionnaire developed by the Pan Arab Project for Child Development (PAPCHILD), were useful in the discussions on the content of the JPFHS questionnaire. A major change from the DHS-II model questionnaire was the rearrangement of the sections so that the marriage section came before reproduction; this allowed the interview to flow more smoothly. Questions on children's cause of death based on verbal autopsy were added to the section on health, which, due to its size, was split into two parts. The first part focused on antenatal care and breastfeeding; the second part examined measures for prevention of childhood diseases and information on the morbidity and mortality of children born since January 1985. As questions on sexual relations were considered too sensitive, they were replaced by questions about the husband's presence in the household during the specified time period; this served as a proxy for recent sexual activity.

The JPFHS individual questionnaire consists of nine sections:

- Respondent's background and household characteristics
- Marriage
- Reproduction
- Contraception
- Breastfeeding and health
- Immunization, morbidity, and child mortality
- Fertility preferences
- Husband's background, residence, and woman's work
- Height and weight of children

The questionnaires used in the JPFHS survey are reproduced in Appendix D.

## Pretest

The household and individual questionnaires were pretested in July 1990 in a number of urban and rural clusters. All senior staff members of the survey organization participated in this activity. The field staff
for the pretest was made up of female university graduates hired through the government recruitment office. To assist in the survey activities, particularly in regard to obtaining health information, the Ministry of Health provided a number of staff nurses.

Pretest training, which lasted three weeks, involved class discussion and field practice. Staff from the Ministry of Health and the Jordan Family Planning and Protection Agency were invited to give talks on their respective area of expertise. The pretest teams were also trained to carry out supervisory tasks, since they were expected to act as supervisors or field editors during the main fieldwork. Anthropometric measurements were not included in the pretest because the scales and boards were not available. The pretest revealed some minor problems in the questionnaire skip patterns, which were corrected.

## Fieldwork Activities

Prior to the main survey fieldwork, mapping was carried out and the enumeration areas/blocks were selected. During this process, buildings and dwelling units in the areas were listed and numbered. The selected clusters were identified and marked with large signs on the buildings forming the comers of the clusters. In the same activity, housing units were documented, along with the name of the owner/tenant of the unit, or household and the name of the household head. A large proportion (almost 17 percent) of the housing units were vacant. These activities were completed in between September 26 and October 10, 1990.

Fieldworkers for the main survey were hired through the government recruitment office. At the time of hiring, they were informed about the type of work they would be expected to do. All the interviewers had college degrees. Supervisors and field editors were selected from those who participated in the pretest. They were retained by the Department of Statistics after the pretest to assist in sampling activities.

Training of field workers was done in two stages; the first was training for the household interview. More than one hundred people participated in this activity. The household survey was carried out in September (ahead of the individual interview) to provide the govemment with much-needed data for planning purposes, particularly regarding employment and persons who returned from the Gulf countries. It should be noted that the fieldwork started after the crisis in the Gulf region began.

The training of interviewers and supervisors for the individual questionnaire lasted three weeks and was carried out concurrently at two training centers. One site was the Statistical Training Center in Amman, part of the Department of Statistics; the other was the regional statistical office in Irbid. The training was conducted by Dr. Abdallah Zou'bi, the Survey Director, Mr. Kamal Saleh, a senior demographer, and Dr. Mohamed Ayad of IRD/Macro International. Much of the training consisted of lectures on how to conduct the interviews and how to fill out the questionnaires. Practice interviewing was done in the third week of training. Staff from the Ministry of Health and the Jordan Family Planning and Protection Agency were invited to speak on issues related to their activities.

The maln survey fieldwork was carried out from October to December 1990. Each of the 11 field teams was made up of one supervisor, one field editor, three interviewers, and one anthropometrist. The teams were equipped with scales and measuring boards to collect information on the height and weight of children. A vehicle was assigned to each team. All teams started working in Amman, Zarqa, Irbid, and Balqa and were stationed in the respective govemorates. In other govemorates teams were formed from the field staff who had worked in Amman, Irbid and Zarqa. Data collection in these govemorates was carried out in the first week of November through the end of December 1990.

## Data Processing Activities

Data processing started almost immediately after the field work began. Field editors checked the questionnaires for completeness and consistency. Supervisors also checked completed questionnaires on a sample basis with more emphasis in the first few days of the fieldwork. Questionnaires were then sent to the central office in Amman, where they were again hand edited and the open-ended questions were coded.

Data entry started one week after the beginning of fieldwork, using eight microcomputers. The process of data entry, editing and cleaning was done with ISSA (Integrated System for Survey Analysis) programs specially designed for DHS surveys. These activities took place through the first week of March 1991. Under normal circumstances, the DHS data processing specialist would have made a trip to Jordan toward the end of the fieldwork, to identify problems associated with data entry and editing, and to work on tabulations for the preliminary report. However, due to the Gulf crisis in early 1991, this trip was delayed. Instead, the survey data were sent to the DHS office in Columbia, Maryland, and it was not until May 1991 that preparations for the preliminary report were begun.

## Results of the Household and Individual Interviews

Table 1.1 is a summary of the results from the household and individual interviews by type of residence. In the JPFHS, there are three residential categories: large cities, other urban areas, and rural areas. The table shows the number of households sampled, the number that were found, and the number that were successfully interviewed. For the individual interview, the number of eligible women found in the selected households and the number of women successfully interviewed are presented. The data indicate a high response rate for the household interview ( 96.9 percent), and a lower rate for the individual interview ( 89.2 percent). Women in large cities have a slightly lower response rate ( 88.6 percent) than those in other areas. Most of the nonresponse for the individual interview was due to the absence of respondents and the postponement of interviews which were incomplete.

| Number of households, number of individual interviews and response rates, by urban-rural residence, Jordan 1990 |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Residence |  |  | Total |
| Result | Large city | Other urban | Rural |  |
| Household interviews |  |  |  |  |
| Number of housing units sampled | 8034 | 7043 | 6095 | 21172 |
| Number of households found | 6580 | 5505 | 4728 | 16813 |
| Number of households interviewed | 6391 | 5318 | 4587 | 16296 |
| Household response rate | 97.1 | 96.6 | 97.0 | 96.9 |
| Individual Interviews |  |  |  |  |
| Number of eligible women | 2756 | 2407 | 2083 | 7246 |
| Number of eligible women interviewed | 2441 | 2143 | 1877 | 6461 |
| Individual response rate | 88.6 | 89.0 | 90.1 | 89.2 |

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## CHAPTER 2

## CHARACTERISTICS OF HOUSEHOLDS AND RESPONDENTS

This chapter describes the general characteristics of the sample population, including age and sex composition, residence, education, housing facilities, and exposure to mass media. The data are presented for various subgroups of the population. When combined with data from other sources, the information can be used to monitor changes over time.

Another purpose of the chapter is to describe the environment in which the respondents and their children live. The characteristics which are highlighted are those that particularly influence nuptiality, fertility, contraceptive behavior, matemal care and child morbidity and mortality.

The questionnaire for the Jordan Population and Family Health Survey (JPFHS) included two questions distinguishing between the de jure population (persons who usually live in the selected household) and the defacto population (persons who spent the night before the interview in the household). It was found, however, that the difference between them was small, and since sample selection for the JPFHS was based on the de jure population, and past demographic surveys were based on de jure populations, tabulations for the JPFHS household data were carried out based on the de jure population only.

### 2.1 POPULATION BY AGE AND SEX

In many developing countries, data on age are affected by errors such as misstatement and preference for or avoidance of certain digits. In order to improve age reporting in cases where age is not given, the interviewers were instructed to ask for legal documents, such as an identity card, birth certificate, or health card for pre-school children. The survey results indicated that not only age, but month and year of birth are widely recognized. Of the total population covered in the survey (more than 111,000 ), only 7 cases did not have age recorded. Also, the distribution of the population by single years of age (see Figure 2.1) indicates that although there is some preference for ages ending in 0 or 5 , the problem is limited in extent.

Table 2.1 shows the percent distribution of the population by age and sex, according to urban-rural residence. The table serves two purposes. The first is to show the effects of past demographic trends on the population and to give an indication of their future trends. The second is to describe the context in which a variety of demographic processes are operating.

Experience indicates that age reporting in some populations suffers from problems of age heaping or age preference, which means that respondents tend to report ages with a particular terminal digit. The extent of age heaping or digit preference is usually investigated using the Myers' Index (Shryock and Siegel, 1973) which provides a summary measure and identifies the digits which are preferred or avoided by the respondents. Results from the 1990 JPFHS survey indicate that the quality of age reporting in Jordan is very good. On a scale of 0 to 180 , males scored 5 and females 7. These figures show that age reporting in the 1990 survey is better than that in previous surveys. In the 1983 Jordan Fertility and Family Health Survey (JFFHS), the indices were 12 for males and 15 for females, and in the 1976 Jordan Fertility Survey (JFS) the indices were 42 for males and 49 for females (Abdel Aziz et al., 1983). Analysis of the JPFHS data indicated a preference for reporting ages ending with " 0 " and " 5 ", at the expense of ages with terminal digits of " 1 " and " 9 " (see Figure 2.1).


Table 2.1 Household population by age, residence and sex
Percent distribution of the de jure household population by five-year age group, according to sex and urban-rural residence, Jordan 1990

| Age group | Large city |  |  | Other urban |  |  | Rural |  |  | Total |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Male | Female | Total | Male | Female | Total | Male | Fermale | Total | Male | Female | Total |
| 0-4 | 13.4 | 13.8 | 13.6 | 14.8 | 15.4 | 15.1 | 16.5 | 16.7 | 16.6 | 14.7 | 15.1 | 14.9 |
| 5-9 | 13.3 | 13.4 | 13.3 | 14.8 | 15.3 | 15.1 | 16.1 | 15.8 | 15.9 | 14.5 | 14.7 | 14.6 |
| 10-14 | 13.7 | 13.8 | 13.7 | 15.1 | 14.3 | 14.7 | 15.8 | 15.1 | 15.5 | 14.7 | 14.3 | 14.5 |
| 15-19 | 13.3 | 13.1 | 13.2 | 13.0 | 13.4 | 13.2 | 12.9 | 12.9 | 12.9 | 13.1 | 13.2 | 13.1 |
| 20-24 | 12.1 | 11.2 | 11.6 | 11.2 | 10.6 | 10.9 | 9.9 | 9.4 | 9.7 | 11.2 | 10.5 | 10.9 |
| 25-29 | 8.7 | 7.8 | 8.3 | 7.7 | 7.2 | 7.4 | 6.6 | 6.5 | 6.6 | 7.8 | 7.3 | 7.5 |
| 30-34 | 4.9 | 5.5 | 5.2 | 5.0 | 5.1 | 5.1 | 4.4 | 4.8 | 4.6 | 4.8 | 5.2 | 5.0 |
| 35-39 | 3.7 | 3.9 | 3.8 | 3.4 | 4.0 | 3.7 | 3.5 | 3.9 | 3.7 | 3.6 | 3.9 | 3.7 |
| 40-44 | 3.4 | 3.9 | 3.7 | 3.1 | 3.6 | 3.3 | 2.8 | 3.4 | 3.1 | 3.1 | 3.7 | 3.4 |
| 45-49 | 3.6 | 3.7 | 3.6 | 3.3 | 3.0 | 3.2 | 2.8 | 3.0 | 2.9 | 3.3 | 3.3 | 3.3 |
| 50-54 | 3.1 | 3.1 | 3.1 | 2.7 | 2.6 | 2.7 | 2.5 | 2.8 | 2.6 | 2.8 | 2.8 | 2.8 |
| 55-59 | 2.3 | 2.3 | 2.3 | 1.9 | 1.7 | 1.8 | 1.7 | 1.5 | 1.6 | 2.0 | 1.9 | 1.9 |
| 60-64 | 1.9 | 1.7 | 1.8 | 1.5 | 1.5 | 1.5 | 1.5 | 1.4 | 1.5 | 1.7 | 1.6 | 1.6 |
| 65-69 | 1.2 | 1.1 | 1.1 | 0.8 | 0.9 | 0.9 | 1.0 | 0.8 | 0.9 | 1.0 | 0.9 | 1.0 |
| 70-74 | 0.7 | 0.7 | 0.7 | 0.6 | 0.7 | 0.7 | 0.9 | 0.8 | 0.8 | 0.7 | 0.7 | 0.7 |
| 75-79 | 0.3 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.4 |
| $80+$ | 0.5 | 0.6 | 0.5 | 0.6 | 0.5 | 0.6 | 0.8 | 0.6 | 0.7 | 0.6 | 0.6 | 0.6 |
| Total | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Number | 23022 | 21359 | 44381 | 19333 | 17901 | 37234 | 15709 | 14135 | 29844 | 58065 | 53394 | 111459 |



In Jordan, there are more males than females. The overall ratio of males to females is 109 , or 109 males for every 100 females. This is a slightly higher ratio than that reported for the 1983 JFFHS survey (108). The large percentage of children under 15 years of age is an indicator of high fertility. The proportion under age 15 is consistently higher for rural populations and for males. The population pyramid for Jordan (see Figure 2.2) shows the wide-base pattern typical of countries in which fertility is high.

### 2.2 POPULATION BY AGE FROM OTHER SOURCES

Table 2.2 and Figure 2.3 present a comparison of broad age groups for three surveys: the 1976 JFS, the 1983 JFFHS, and the 1990 JPFHS. The percentage of the population under 15 years of age declined substantially between 1983 and 1990. As a result, the percentage in the $15-59$ shows an increase. This pattern is typical of populations that are experiencing a fertility decline. The change in the age structure is favorable in economic terms, assuming that those who are in the productive ages are economically active. The dependency ratio, calculated as the ratio of persons in the "dependent" ages (under 15 and 60 and over) to those in the "economically active" ages (15-59) based on these figures, decreases from 130 in 1976, to 123 in 1983, and 94 in 1990.

Table 2.2 Population by age from selected sources
Percent distribution of the de jure population by broad age groups, selected sources, Jordan 1976-1990

|  | JFS | JFFHS |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Age group | 1976 | 1983 | JPFHS |
|  |  |  |  |
|  | 5290 |  |  |
| Less than 15 | 43.4 | 51.2 | 44.0 |
| $15-60$ | 4.5 | 44.8 | 51.6 |
| $60+$ | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Total |  |  |  |



### 2.3 HOUSEHOLD COMPOSITION

Table 2.3 provides information on the size and composition of the sampled households. Household characteristics affect the social and economic well-being of the members of the household. Large household size may be associated with crowding, which can lead to unfavorable health conditions. Single-parent families, especially if they are headed by females, usually have limited financial resources. Information on household composition can also be examined in terms of the number of generations present, since multigeneration households are distinct from single-generation households in a number of ways. In the JPFHS, instead of asking the relationship of each household member to the head-of-household, relationship among members was recorded. This information is used to construct family classifications which are comparable to other data sources.

Large households are common in Jordan. The average number of members (usual residents) in a household is nearly 7. Households in major cities are smaller than those in other urban areas, which are in turn, smaller than rural houscholds. The difference in household size between the large cities and rural areas is almost one person. Thirty-two percent of households are comprised of 9 or more persons. The figure is higher ( 39 percent) in rural areas, and lower in large cities ( 25 percent).

The majority of households in Jordan (71 percent) are nuclear families (parents and children) (see Table 2.3). With slight variation, households in large cities are more likely to be nuclear, or nuclear with unmarried relatives, while in the rural areas the households tend to be eithernuclear or consist of ever-married relatives. One in eight families in large cities is a nuclear family with unmarried relatives, which may indicate difficulty in finding separate housing for relatives.

## Table 2.3 Household composition

Percent distribution of households by size of household and family type, according to urban-rural residence, Jordan 1990

| Characteristic | Residence |  |  | Total |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Large city | Other urban | Rural |  |
| Number of usual members |  |  |  |  |
| 0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.0 |
| 1 | 2.9 | 2.7 | 3.0 | 2.9 |
| 2 | 8.4 | 7.9 | 8.1 | 8.2 |
| 3 | 8.4 | 8.1 | 6.2 | 7.7 |
| 4 | 10.3 | 9.1 | 7.5 | 9.2 |
| 5 | 11.9 | 9.3 | 9.0 | 10.4 |
| 6 | 13.1 | 9.5 | 8.9 | 10.9 |
| 7 | 10.9 | 9.8 | 10.5 | 10.5 |
| 8 | 9.2 | 9.2 | 8.1 | 8.9 |
| 9+ | 24.9 | 34.3 | 38.7 | 31.5 |
| Total | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Mean size of household | 6.4 | 7.1 | 7.3 | 6.9 |
| Family type |  |  |  |  |
| Single person | 2.8 | 2.7 | 3.0 | 2.8 |
| Single parent with child(ren) | 6.3 | 4.8 | 4.8 | 5.4 |
| Parents with children | 69.6 | 71.0 | 73.3 | 71.0 |
| Parents with children and unmarried relatives | 12.0 | 5.9 | 5.9 | 8.5 |
| Two ever-married siblings with or without children | 1.7 | 1.5 | 1.1 | 1.5 |
| Two ever-married relatives with or without children | 3.3 | 6.4 | 7.3 | 5.3 |
| Three or more ever-married relatives with or without children | 3.0 | 5.7 | 3.2 | 3.9 |
| Unrelated | 1.3 | 2.1 | 1.3 | 1.5 |
| Not classifiable | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.0 |
| Total | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |

### 2.4 LEVEL OF EDUCATION OF THE HOUSEHOLD POPULATION

Education is an important variable affecting demographic behavior. Higher education is usually associated with greater knowledge and use of health practices and family planning methods. The education system in Jordan has been in place for a long time. Basic education is free and compulsory, starting at age six and lasting for 10 years. A further two-year period, known as the secondary cycle, is virtually free (Battelle Human Affairs Research Centers, 1980). In the JPFHS, questions on education were asked for persons five years of age and older. They included literacy, highest level of education attended and highest grade completed at that level, and whether the person was still in school at the time of the survey. These data can be used to generate school enrollment rates.

Table 2.4 presents data on the educational composition of the population reported in the household questionnaire. An important observation is that women have less education than men. More than 90 percent

Table 2.4 Educational level of the houschold population
Percent distribution of the do jure male and female houschold populations age five and over by highest level of education attended, according to selected background characteristics, Jordan 1990

| Background characteristic | Level of education |  |  |  | Missing | Total | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Number } \\ & \text { of } \\ & \text { persons } \end{aligned}$ | Median number of years |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | No education | Primary | Secondary | More than secondary |  |  |  |  |
| MALB |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Age |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 5-9 | 1.6 | 56.7 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 41.7 | 100.0 | 8436 | 2.8 |
| 10-14 | 0.9 | 72.2 | 26.4 | 0.0 | 0.5 | 100.0 | 8553 | 5.9 |
| 15-19 | 1.5 | 7.8 | 87.4 | 3.3 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 7616 | 9.6 |
| 20-24 | 2.7 | 7.4 | 60.2 | 29.6 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 6486 | 12.1 |
| 25-29 | 4.2 | 9.2 | 50.5 | 36.1 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 4533 | 12.4 |
| 30-34 | 5.6 | 13.7 | 49.1 | 31.6 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 2778 | 11.5 |
| 35-39 | 9.1 | 17.9 | 49.0 | 23.8 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 2067 | 9.6 |
| 40-44 | 11.0 | 24.6 | 44.4 | 19.8 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 1822 | 9.1 |
| 45-49 | 16.3 | 29.2 | 38.1 | 16.4 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 1901 | 7.7 |
| 50-54 | 31.6 | 33.3 | 25.4 | 9.7 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 1633 | 5.7 |
| 55-59 | 41.2 | 36.9 | 16.2 | 5.7 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 1153 | 4.3 |
| 60-64 | 50.9 | 35.4 | 10.6 | 3.1 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 971 | 1.0 |
| 65+ | 71.8 | 20.7 | 5.7 | 1.8 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 1571 | 0.7 |
| Miscing/Don't know | 65.5 | 34.5 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 3 | 0.8 |
| Resldence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Large cily | 6.3 | 30.3 | 40.8 | 16.2 | 6.5 | 100.0 | 19931 | 8.4 |
| Other urban | 8.0 | 32.7 | 40.0 | 12.1 | 7.1 | 100.0 | 16477 | 7.6 |
| Rural | 12.0 | 33.7 | 38.9 | 6.9 | 8.5 | 100.0 | 13115 | 6.7 |
| Region |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Amman | 7.5 | 30.9 | 39.8 | 15.0 | 6.8 | 100.0 | 19394 | 8.1 |
| Zarga + Mafraq | 8.2 | 32.5 | 41.4 | 10.8 | 7.2 | 100.0 | 9926 | 7.6 |
| Irbid | 8.6 | 31.9 | 40.4 | 11.7 | 7.4 | 100.0 | 12237 | 7.6 |
| Balqa | 10.1 | 33.0 | 38.8 | 10.6 | 7.6 | 100.0 | 3312 | 7.2 |
| South | 10.6 | 35.2 | 37.7 | 7.7 | 8.7 | 100.0 | 4654 | 6.7 |
| Total | 8.4 | 32.0 | 40.0 | 12.4 | 7.2 | 100.0 | 49523 | 7.7 |
| FEMALE |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Age |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 5-9 | 1.7 | 56.7 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 41.6 | 100.0 | 7852 | 2.8 |
| 10-14 | 1.6 | 70.9 | 27.0 | 0.0 | 0.5 | 100.0 | 7647 | 5.9 |
| 15-19 | 3.0 | 9.3 | 82.4 | 5.3 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 7030 | 9.8 |
| 20-24 | 5.3 | 9.3 | 54.6 | 30.7 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 5607 | 12.2 |
| 25.29 | 9.6 | 13.7 | 50.3 | 26.4 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 3877 | 11.2 |
| 30-34 | 18.1 | 22.6 | 41.5 | 17.8 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 2766 | 8.4 |
| 35-39 | 33.4 | 25.1 | 31.8 | 9.7 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 2106 | 6.2 |
| 40-44 | 48.6 | 25.4 | 19.9 | 6.0 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 1966 | 2.5 |
| 45-49 | 65.0 | 19.5 | 12.9 | 2.5 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 1747 | 0.8 |
| 50-54 | 81.5 | 11.2 | 5.9 | 1.4 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 1504 | 0.6 |
| 55-59 | 85.2 | 9.6 | 4.0 | 1.2 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 994 | 0.6 |
| 60-64 | 88.7 | 6.7 | 3.9 | 0.7 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 832 | 0.6 |
| $65+$ | 93.4 | 4.2 | 1.8 | 0.5 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 1385 | 0.5 |
| Missing Don't trow | 100.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 8 | 0.5 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Large city | 15.2 | 29.6 | 37.7 | 11.3 | 6.2 | 100.0 | 18416 | 7.1 |
| Other urban | 17.9 | 30.9 | 34.0 | 9.3 | 7.9 | 100.0 | 15137 | 6.4 |
| Rural | 25.7 | 32.4 | 28.9 | 4.6 | 8.5 | 100.0 | 11770 | 4.9 |
| Region |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Amman | 16.2 | 29.8 | 36.7 | 10.6 | 6.8 | 100.0 | 18157 | 6.9 |
| Zarqa + Mafraq | 18.6 | 33.0 | 33.4 | 7.5 | 7.5 | 100.0 | 8832 | 6.1 |
| Irtid | 20.3 | 30.6 | 33.8 | 7.8 | 7.5 | 100.0 | 11143 | 6.1 |
| Balqa | 22.6 | 31.4 | 30.0 | 8.2 | 7.9 | 100.0 | 3064 | 5.6 |
| South | 24.6 | 30.5 | 29.0 | 7.8 | 8.2 | 100.0 | 4127 | 5.3 |
| Total | 18.8 | 30.8 | 34.2 | 8.9 | 7.3 | 100.0 | 45322 | 6.3 |

of the males in Jordan have had some schooling, while just over 80 percent of the females have attended school. Furthermore, men are likely to stay in school longer than women.

The figures for median number of years of schooling (see Table 2.4) indicate that public education has a long history in Jordan. Men age 50-54 have a median of 6 years of education (equivalent to completing primary school), while women in the same age cohort have less than one year. Among persons age 35-39 years, the median duration of schooling for men is close to 10 years, whereas women have a little more than 6 years. For persons $25-34$ the gap has namowed, and finally disappears for those under 25 years of age.

The level of education is closely associated with residence. In the large cities, a greater proportion of the population have attended higher education than in the rest of the country. The governorates of Amman, Zarqa and Mafraq, and Irbid lead in terms of overall educational attainment.

### 2.5 SCHOOL ENROLLMENT

Table 2.5 shows the proportion of the household population age 6-24 years enrolled in school, by age, sex and residence. Although the differentials are small, the data support the association of educational enrollment with residence. Large cities have the highest level of educational enrollment, followed by other urban areas, and rural areas.

School enrollment differentials by gender vary according to age. For boys and girls age 6-10 years there is virtually no difference in enrollment. However, as age increases, the gap between males and females widens, and by age 21-24 the enrollment rate for females is only half that for males.

## Table 2.5 School enrollment

Percentage of the de jure household population age 6-24 years errolled in school by age group, sex, and urban-rural residence, Jordan 1990

| Age group | Male |  |  |  | Female |  |  |  | Total |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Large city | Other urban | Rural | Total | $\begin{gathered} \text { Large } \\ \text { city } \end{gathered}$ | Other urban | Rural | Total | Large city | Other urban | Rural | Total |
| 6-10 | 97.2 | 97.5 | 96.6 | 97.1 | 97.7 | 97.5 | 95.6 | 97.0 | 97.5 | 97.5 | 96.1 | 97.1 |
| 11-15 | 93.2 | 93.7 | 93.5 | 93.4 | 93.5 | 92.1 | 87.1 | 91.2 | 93.3 | 92.9 | 90.5 | 92.4 |
| 6-15 | 95.2 | 95.6 | 95.1 | 95.3 | 95.6 | 94.9 | 91.5 | 94.2 | 95.4 | 95.3 | 93.4 | 94.8 |
| 16-20 | 54.2 | 51.7 | 44.8 | 50.9 | 54.3 | 50.3 | 41.9 | 49.8 | 54.2 | 51.0 | 43.4 | 50.4 |
| 21-24 | 15.5 | 11.5 | 8.3 | 12.5 | 8.0 | 6.2 | 3.6 | 6.4 | 12.1 | 9.1 | 6.2 | 9.7 |

### 2.6 HOUSING CHARACTERISTICS

In the JPFHS, information on housing characteristics was collected in the individual questionnaire rather than in the household questionnaire. Thus, a sampled household is represented by the number of eligible women interviewed in the household. Households for which no individual interview was completed are, therefore, not included in the analysis.

Table 2.6 presents the distribution of households by housing characteristics. Electricity is widely available; only 3 percent of households do not have electricity. The percentage varies from 10 percent in rural areas to less than 1 percent in the large cities. Virtually all households in Jordan have piped water; this is particularly true in large cities and urban areas where water is piped into the houses. In rural areas, although 80 percent of the households have water piped into the house, 8 percent have water piped into the yard only.

Almost all houses in Jordan are built of permanent materials such as stone, brick, and concrete. Brick is used in more than 50 percent of the houscs; another third of the houses are built with concrete. This pattern is the same in cities and rural areas, although, cut stone is more popular in urban areas. In large cities, one in five dwellings is made of cut stone alone or cut stone combined with concrete.

The large size of households in Jordan can be seen in Table 2.6. The mean number of persons per sleeping room is 4 for the country as a whole; this number varies from 3.7 in large cities to 4.5 in rural areas. Almost half of the households have 3 to 4 persons per sleeping room, 29 percent have 1 or 2 persons, and one in six households has 5 to 6 persons per sleeping room. These figures indicate the extent of crowdedness in the household.

### 2.7 PRESENCE OF DURABLE GOODS IN THE HOUSEHOLD

Jordan is a modernized society, and most of the population enjoy the convenience of electrical appliances (see Table 2.7). About 82 percent of the households have a refrigerator, 88 percent have a radio, and television sets are present in 91 percent of households. There are some differences between the large cities and rural areas, particularly regarding the presence of a refrigerator. Ninety-one percent of households in the large cities had a refrigerator, whereas, only 66 percent of rural households had a refrigerator.

A telephone is available in 34 percent of the households; this figure ranges from 43 in the large cities to 21 percent in rural areas.

Table 2.7 Household durable goods
Percentage of households possessing various durable consumer goods, by urban-nural residence, Jordan 1990

|  | Residence |  |  |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
|  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Large <br> city | Other <br> urban | Rural | Total |
| Item |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 92.2 | 88.2 | 81.4 | 88.1 |
| Radio | 94.4 | 92.7 | 84.3 | 91.2 |
| Television | 90.9 | 82.3 | 66.2 | 81.6 |
| Refrigerator | 27.2 | 15.6 | 6.9 | 18.1 |
| Video player | 42.7 | 33.3 | 20.8 | 33.9 |
| Telephone | 2.3 | 4.2 | 1.7 | 2.7 |
| Air conditioner | 0.5 | 0.8 | 0.8 | 0.7 |
| Bicycle | 0.3 | 0.2 | 0.9 | 0.4 |
| Motorcycle | 29.2 | 24.0 | 13.9 | 23.5 |
| Private car | 3.7 | 2.8 | 1.5 | 2.8 |
| Commercial car | 4.3 | 7.0 | 11.0 | 6.9 |
| Pick-up truck | 1.5 | 2.2 | 2.4 | 2.0 |
| Other transport |  |  |  |  |
| Number of households | 2465 | 1953 | 1573 | 5990 |
|  |  |  |  |  |

### 2.8 AGE STRUCTURE OF RESPONDENTS TO THE INDIVIDUAL QUESTIONNAIRE

Table 2.8 presents the distribution of respondents to the individual questionnaire by selected background characteristics, including age, marital status, and residence. Knowledge of date of birth among respondents is widespread. Among women who completed the individual interview, 73 percent gave the month and year of birth, and another 26 percent were able to report their age. Age information was missing for less than one percent of the respondents.

The distribution of ever-married women by age group is shown in Table 2.8. Less than 6 percent of women are under 20 years of age, about 37 percent are age 20 to 29,32 percent are age 30 to 39 , and the rest ( 25 percent) are 40 or over. Except for the youngest age group, the age structure for ever-married women in 1990 is similar to that in 1976. Compared with data from the 1983 JFFHS, however, the age structure in 1990 is younger. The proportion of women under 35 years of age is larger in the 1990 survey than in the 1983 survey. Likewise, the proportion in the older age cohorts is smaller in the 1990 survey than in the 1983 survey.

Among ever-married women, the percent distribution by marital status has remained constant since 1976 (Department of Statistics, 1979); more than 95 percent are currently married, while the rest are either separated, divorced or widowed. However, comparison of the data from the 1990 JPFHS with data from previous surveys (not shown) regarding the proportion of ever-married women, indicates that the percentage of women in the population who are married is decreasing gradually in almost all age groups. Among women in the 15-19 age group, for example, more than 30 percent were married according to the 1972 National Fertility Survey (Department of Statistics, 1976). This percentage declined to 20 percent in 1976, 13 percent in 1983, and 11 percent in 1990. By age 30, when almost all women would have been married, the percentage was 96 in 1972, 90 in 1983, and 89 in 1990.

The population of Jordan is highly urbanized (see Table 2.8). Forty-one percent of the sample population reside in the major cities of Amman, Zarqa and Irbid, and another 33 percent live in other urban areas; only one in four Jordanians resides in the rural areas. The distribution of the population by governorate emphasizes the degree of urbanization. The three southem govemorates (Karak, Ma'an and Tafielah), have small populations and are largely rural. Due to their small size, the three govemorates were grouped together under the category "South" to obtain reliable estimates. Mafraq, another small largely rural governorate, was combined with Zarqa for the same reason. Overall, 84 percent of the population live in the governorates with the largest populations-Amman, Irbid, and Zarqa and Mafraq.

The weighted and unweighted numbers of women in the sample are presented in Table 2.8. The unweighted numbers of women in the major governorates (Amman, Irbid, and Zarqa and Mafraq) are smaller than the weighted numbers; the opposite is true in rural areas (Balqa and the South). This is because of oversampling in the five smaller govemorates (Balqa, Karak, Ma'an, Mafraq, and Tafielah). The difference between the weighted and unweighted numbers can be seen in the distribution by governorate. For example, in Balqa, although the weighted number of women is 433 , in reality the data were collected from 762 women. Oversampling was done in order to provide a sufficient number of women upon which to base estimates.

### 2.9 RESPONDENT'S LEVEL OF EDUCATION

Table 2.9 presents an overview of the relationship between level of education and selected background characteristics of the respondents. About 24 percent of women have never been enrolled in formal education, 23 percent have some primary education, 44 percent have some preparatory or secondary education, and 11 percent have more than secondary education.

The distribution of women by level of education and age shows the expected pattern: the percentage of women who have no education and those who have only primary education increases with age, while the percentage who have secondary education decreases with age. More than half of women under age 30 have completed secondary school, and up to 17 percent have higher education.

Women in large cities and other urban areas are more likely to have higher education than their rural counterparts. There is a pronounced difference in women's educational attainment by governorate. In the governorate of Amman, 18 percent of women have no education, whereas, in the South, the proportion is 37 percent. The gap is narrower for primary and secondary education. The larger percentage of women with higher education in certain govemorates may be due in part to the greater availability of higher education facilities there.

| Table 2.9 Level of education |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Percent distribution of ever-married women by highest level of education attended, according lo |
| selected background characteristics, Jordan 1990 |

In the JPFHS, women who had never gone to school and women whose highest level of education was primary school were asked if they could read. About 7 percent of women who had never been to school and 83 percent of women who had some primary school education declared that they could read written materials (data not shown).

### 2.10 EXPOSURE TO MASS MEDIA

The exposure of women to television, radio, and newspapers is shown in Table 2.10. Half of the women in the sample watch television frequently, and 39 percent listen to the radio; only 11 percent read newspapers frequently. Although exposure to mass media varies little across age groups, younger women are slightly more likely to be exposed to mass media than older women. As expected, there is a positive association between newspaper reading and education; a greater proportion of the women with secondary or higher education read newspapers than those with less education. The same pattern is present for television viewing and listening to the radio, although women with higher schooling seem to do these activities to a lesser extent than women in other education groups.

The relationship between residence and exposure to mass media varies depending on the type of media. Women in the large cities are more likely to read the newspaper ( 15 percent) than women in rural areas ( 5 percent); however, rural women are more likely to watch television ( 52 percent) than women in large cities ( 46 percent). The extent to which women listen to the radio does not vary substantially by residence. The same is true for differentials by governorate.

Table 2.10 Access to mass media
Percentage of women who frequently read a newspaper, watch television, or listen to the radio, by selected background characteristics, Jordan 1990

| Background characteristic | Read newspaper frequently | Watch television frequently | Listen to radio frequently | Number of women |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Age |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 13.4 | 55.8 | 45.6 | 359 |
| 20-24 | 10.3 | 56.2 | 45.8 | 1073 |
| 25-29 | 13.2 | 50.8 | 41.9 | 1313 |
| 30-34 | 11.6 | 50.6 | 38.6 | 1138 |
| 35-39 | 10.6 | 45.8 | 36.9 | 959 |
| 40-44 | 10.0 | 42.6 | 31.4 | 866 |
| 45-49 | 7.4 | 41.3 | 30.7 | 755 |
| Education |  |  |  |  |
| No education | 0.3 | 37.8 | 25.0 | 1516 |
| Primary | 7.0 | 49.4 | 36.8 | 1456 |
| Secondary | 16.1 | 55.0 | 46.8 | 2811 |
| More than secondary | 21.9 | 48.2 | 40.3 | 677 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |
| Large city | 14.7 | 46.4 | 38.1 | 2635 |
| Other Urban | 11.1 | 50.0 | 40.3 | 2133 |
| Rural | 4.9 | 51.7 | 37.7 | 1693 |
| Region |  |  |  |  |
| Amman | 13.6 | 44.2 | 38.2 | 2530 |
| Zarqa + Mafraq | 11.3 | 45.6 | 36.9 | 1334 |
| Irbid | 8.2 | 61.4 | 41.5 | 1549 |
| Balqa | 6.9 | 43.3 | 40.5 | 433 |
| South | 9.3 | 48.8 | 36.6 | 615 |
| Total | 10.9 | 49.0 | 38.7 | 6461 |

## CHAPTER 3

## FERTILITY

The Jordan Population and Family Health Survey (JPFHS) collected information on past, current and cumulative fertility. In this survey, a series of questions about live births was asked to obtain data pertaining to fertility. Based on the experience gained from past surveys, the wording and sequence of the questions were designed so as to reduce errors commonly found in such surveys. Basically, data were collected in two sections. First, each woman was asked a series of questions on the number of her sons and daughters living with her, the number living elsewhere, and the number who may have died. Next, for each live birth, the sex, age, whether the birth was single or multiple, whether the child was living in the household or away, and survival status were asked. For dead children, the age at death was recorded. As an indicator of future fertility, information was collected on whether currently married women were pregnant at the time of the interview.

Experience in using birth histories to estimate fertility levels and trends has found that underreporting of children ever born and displacement of children's dates of birth are common in many countries. Underreporting of children affects estimates of fertility levels, while misreporting of children's date of birth distorts fertility trends over time. With regard to the latter, one of the characteristics of the 1990 JPFHS is the high quality of age and date reporting. As noted earlier, virtually all women knew their age. The same is true for age at marriage and date of marriage. With regard to the children's age and date of birth reporting, both month and year of birth are documented for 98 percent of all births recorded in the birth history; for the rest, either age or year of birth is given. This information lends confidence in the quality of the basic data used in the estimation of fertility measures.

Because the fertility rates presented in this chapter are all based on direct measures derived from the birth history section of the JPFHS, two potential drawbacks require some attention. First, only surviving women were interviewed in the survey. This would only bias the rates if mortality of women of childbearing age were high and if fertility of surviving and nonsurviving women differed significantly, neither of which is the case in Jordan. The limitation of the survey respondents to ever-married women presents another potential bias. However, since births in Jordan occur within marriage, the number of births to single women is negligible. Although information on fertility was obtained only from ever-married women, estimates can be made for all women (regardless of marital status) using information in the household questionnaire; these estimates assume that women who have never been married have had no children.

### 3.1 LEVELS AND DIFFERENTIALS IN FERTILITY

## Fertility Levels

Table 3.1 presents the age-specific fertility rates and total fertility rates (TFR) for three Jordanian surveys-the 1976 Jordan Fertility Survey (JFS), the 1983 Jordan Fertility and Family Health Survey (JFFHS), and the Jordan Population and Family Health Survey (JPFHS). The TFR is the sum of the agespecific fertility rates and represents the average number of children a Jordanian woman would have at the end of her reproductive years if she were subject to the observed age-specific rates. Comparison of the findings from the three survey shows the trends in fertility levels over a fourteen-year period. Data for the 1976 survey are calculated based on the two years preceding the survey (1975-1976), while those for 1983 and 1990 refer to the three years preceding the survey (1981-1983 and 1988-1990 respectively). There is a consistent decline in fertility from the mid-1970s to the late 1980s: the TFRs for women age 15-49 declined from 7.4 children in 1976 to 6.6 in 1983, and 5.6 in 1990. The decline in fertility between the mid-1970s and
the early 1980s is 11 percent; the decline between the mid-1970s and late 1980s is 24 percent. A similar pattem is seen for women 15-44 years.

The curve for age-specific fertility rates has remained about the same for each survey since 1976 (see Figure 3.1). It starts low in the youngest age group, increases rapidly in the next group, and peaks in ages 20 34, after which it declines sharply in the 40-44 age group. Very few births occur to women over 45 years of age. The findings from the three surveys indicate that fertility has declined in all age groups. In the 14 years between the JFS and the JPFHS, the largest declines appear to have taken place among women 15-24 years of age. This suggests that much of the decline between 1976 and 1983 can be attributed to an increase in the age at marriage, while decline between 1983 and 1990 is due to greater use of contraception.

Table 3.2 presents the age-specific fertility rates and cumulative fertility for the three-year period preceding the survey by urban-rural residence. The general fertility rate (GFR) is the annual number of live births per 1,000 women age $15-44$ years in the three years preceding the survey. The crude birth rate (CBR) is the annual number of live births per 1,000 population for the same period. All of these measures show a similar

Figure 3.1
Age-specific Fertility Rates JFS 1976, JFFHS 1983, and JPFHS 1990

pattern: women living in urban areas have a much lower fertility rate than those living in rural areas. Women in large cities bear an average of 4.7 children, compared to 5.6 for women in other urban areas and 6.8 for rural women. The data show that regardless of residence, about half of all births are to women age $25-34$, and another 20 percent are to women age 20-24.

## Table 3.2 Current fertility

Age-specific ferility rates (per thousand women), cumulative fertility rates and the crude birth rate for the three years preceding the survey, by urban-rural residence, Jordan 1990

| Age group | Large <br> city | Ouher <br> urban | Rural | Total |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| $15-19$ | 55 | 40 | 51 | 49 |
| $20-24$ | 194 | 228 | 251 | 219 |
| $25-29$ | 265 | 293 | 346 | 296 |
| $30-34$ | 214 | 267 | 339 | 264 |
| $35-39$ | 159 | 188 | 232 | 188 |
| $40-44$ | 58 | 82 | 111 | 79 |
| $45-49$ | $[5]$ | $[23]^{\text {a }}$ | $[39]^{\text {a }}$ | $[19]$ |
| TFR 15-49 | 4.75 | 5.60 | 6.85 | 5.57 |
| TFR 15-44 | 4.72 | 5.49 | 6.65 | 5.48 |
| GFR | 148.8 | 165.4 | 203.1 | 168.3 |
| CBR | 33.9 | 35.8 | 39.0 | 36.1 |

Note: Figures in brackets are partially truncated rates.
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
${ }^{\text {a }}$ Based on fewer than 500 person-months of exposure

## Fertility Differentials

Table 3.3 presents the total fertility rate (TFR) and the mean number of children ever born (CEB) per woman according to background characteristics of the women. Column one shows the total fertility rates for the three years preceding the survey (1988-1990); column two presents the mean number of children ever born to women $40-49$ years. The average number of children ever borm is an indicator of cumulative fertility and reflects the fertility of older women who are nearing the end of their reproductive period; it is a measure that represents completed fertility. When fertility remains constant over time, the two measures, TFR and CEB will be the same or almost the same. In the JPFHS, however, completed fertility ( 8.1 children per woman) is much higher than the total fertility rate ( 5.6 children per woman), indicating a considerable decline in fertility.

Fertility is much lower in urban areas than in rural areas (see Table 3.3). The total fertility rate for women in large cities (4.8) is almost one child lower than for women in other urban areas (5.6) and more than two children lower than for rural women (6.9). The differentials in the number of children ever bom to women 40-49 are not as large, however, suggesting that the large differences in fertility by residence are a recent phenomenon.

Women in Amman Govemorate have the lowest fertility rate when comparing fertility levels across govemorates. They have, on average, 0.7 child less than women in Zarqa and Mafraq, and Balqa, 1.8 children less than women in the South, and 1.3 children less than women in Irbid.

The largest fertility differentials are by educational attainment. Education is negatively associated with fertility as measured by the total fertility rate and children ever born. Women who have attended higher education (more than secondary) have the lowest level of fertility (4.1), while those with no education have the highest (6.9). The difference between the two groups of women is close to 3 children in terms of the TFR, and almost 5 children according to the mean number of children ever bom. These figures suggest that as educational opportunities for women improve, and fertility declines, the differentials in fertility among women according to education will narrow.

### 3.2 FERTILITY TRENDS

In addition to comparing data from previous surveys (see Section 3.1), fertility trends can also be investigated using retrospective data from a single survey. The birth history information collected in the JPFHS is used for this purpose. Table 3.4 presents age-specific fertility rates over time, whilc Table 3.5 presents marital duration fertility rates over time. Data in the tables are not comprehensive; they are progressively truncated as time before the survey increases. The bottom diagonal of estimates (enclosed in brackets) is also truncated. Due to the truncation, changes taking place over the 20 years preceding the survey are observed only for women up to age 29, and for women who have been married for up to 19 years. Information in these tables should be treated with caution due to the possible omission of or incorrect dating of events, especially by older women, and for distant time periods.

The data in Table 3.4 indicate that the fertility decline at ages $15-29$ in the 20 years preceding the survey is quite substantial ( 37 percent). The data also indicate that while the decline was slow at first ( 6 percent from 15-19 to 10-14 years preceding the survey), it accelerated to 15 percent from 10-14 to 5-9 years preceding the survey, reaching 22 percent in the most recent period (from 5-9 to 0-4 years preceding the survey). Table 3.5 presents a similar pattern: for the same marriage duration, fertility rates are lowest for the five-years immediately preceding the survey, indicating a decline in fertility over time.

Table 3.4 Age-specific fertility rates
Age-specific fertility rates for five-year periods preceding the survey, by mother's age at the time of birth, Jordan 1990

|  | Number of years preceding the survey |  |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Mother's age | $0-4$ | $5-9$ | $10-14$ | $15-19$ |
| $15-19$ | 52 | 85 | 131 | 146 |
| $20-24$ | 230 | 307 | 345 | 377 |
| $25-29$ | 307 | 363 | 410 | 417 |
| $30-34$ | 277 | 326 | 349 | $[374]$ |
| $35-39$ | 198 | 243 | $[300]$ | U |
| $40-44$ | 86 | $[149]$ | U | U |
| $45-49$ | $[23]$ | U | U | U |

Note: Age-specific ferility rates are per 1,000 ever-married women. Figures in brackets are partially truncated rates.
$\mathrm{U}=$ Unknown; no information

Table 3.5 Fertility by marital duration
Ferility rates for five-year periods preceding the survey, by number of years since first marriage, Jordan 1990

|  | Number of years preceding the survey |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :---: |
| Years since <br> first marriage | $0-4$ | $5-9$ | $10-14$ | $15-19$ |
|  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 460 | 476 | 492 | 474 |
| $5-4$ | 371 | 422 | 448 | 454 |
| $5-9$ | 310 | 364 | 385 | 412 |
| $10-14$ | 229 | 278 | 334 | $[349]$ |
| $15-19$ | 137 | 203 | $[310]$ | - |
| $20-24$ | 46 | $[123]$ | - | - |
| $25-29$ |  |  |  |  |

Note: Duration-specific fertility rates are per 1,000 women. Figures in brackets are partially truncated rates.

### 3.3 CHILDREN EVER BORN AND LIVING

In the survey questionnaire, the total number of children ever bom to women age 15-49 was ascertained by a series of questions designed to maximize recall. Past experience indicates that, even among illiterate, high fertility populations, omission of births can be kept to a low level, except perhaps for the oldest women in the sample.

Table 3.6 and Figure 3.2 show the mean number of children ever born to all women age 15-49 for the years 1976, 1983 and 1990. The data support the previous finding that there has been a substantial decline in fertility during the 14 years preceding the survey. In 1976, a woman had on average 3.6 children; seven years later this had declined to 3.1, and in 1990 the average number of children ever born was 2.9 , reflecting a decline of almost one ( 0.7 ) child from 1976. The decline appears to have occurred at all ages, although it is greater for younger women, probably due to later age at first marriage and later age at first birth (see Section 3.5). Women age 20-24 in 1990 have had on average 0.8 child less than women in the same age group 14 years preceding the survey. The decline is greatest among women age $25-29$, an average of more than one (1.2) child. The inconsistency of figures for women 40 years of age and older, which is also present in Table 3.1 for 1983, indicates errors either in the reporting of ages of older women or in the reporting of date of birth of their children, or both.

Table 3.6 Children ever born according to selected surveys

Mean number of children ever bom for all women by age group, Jordan, 1976, 1983 and 1990

|  | JFS <br> 1976 | JFFHS <br> 1983 | JPFHS <br> 1990 |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Age group | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.1 |
| $15-19$ | 1.6 | 0.9 | 0.8 |
| $20-24$ | 3.7 | 3.0 | 2.5 |
| $25-29$ | 5.6 | 5.0 | 4.8 |
| $30-34$ | 7.1 | 6.6 | 6.6 |
| $35-39$ | 8.4 | 7.5 | 7.9 |
| $40-44$ | 8.6 | 7.8 | 8.3 |
| $45-49$ |  |  | 3.1 |
|  |  |  | 2.9 |
| Total |  |  |  |

Figure 3.2
Mean Number of Children Ever Born Jordan, 1976, 1983, and 1990

Mean number of children


Table 3.7 presents the distribution of all women and currently married women by the number of children they have had. In the JPFHS, since the respondents are ever-married women, information on the reproductive history of never-married women is not available. However, since virtually all births in Jordan take place within marriage, it can be assumed that never-married women have had no births. The data represent the accumulation of births over time. The difference in fertility between all women and currently married women is due to the proportion of women who were not married at the time of the survey (i.e., single, divorced, or widowed); the difference is most pronounced in the younger age groups. The average number of children increases with age, reflecting the natural family building process.

## Table 3.7 Children ever born and living

Percent distribution of all women and of currently married women by number of children ever born (CEB) and mean number of children ever born and living, according to age groups, Jordan 1990

| Age group | Number of children ever bom (CEB) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Total | Number of women | Mean no. of CEB | Mean no. of living children |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10+ |  |  |  |  |
| ALL WOMEN |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 19-19 | 94.7 | 3.8 | 1.4 | 0.1 | - | $\cdots$ | -- | -- | $\cdots$ | -- | -- | 100.0 | 3394 | 0.1 | 0.1 |
| 20-24 | 64.8 | 11.4 | 10.7 | 8.0 | 3.4 | 1.3 | 0.3 | $\cdots$ | 0.1 | - | -- | 100.0 | 2374 | 0.8 | 0.8 |
| 25-29 | 32.1 | 7.3 | 11.8 | 13.5 | 13.1 | 10.5 | 6.3 | 3.7 | 1.1 | 0.6 | $\cdots$ | 100.0 | 1781 | 2.5 | 2.4 |
| 30-34 | 13.6 | 2.8 | 5.5 | 7.8 | 12.0 | 15.8 | 13.5 | 12.3 | 8.7 | 4.1 | 3.7 | 100.0 | 1277 | 4.8 | 4.6 |
| 35-39 | 8.3 | 2.3 | 2.2 | 5.2 | 6.9 | 8.2 | 11.4 | 12.3 | 128 | 12.6 | 17.7 | 100.0 | 1014 | 6.6 | 6.2 |
| 40-44 | 3.9 | 1.9 | 2.1 | 3.4 | 5.7 | 7.5 | 6.5 | 10.1 | 12.4 | 10.4 | 36.2 | 100.0 | 890 | 7.9 | 7.4 |
| 49-49 | 4.0 | 1.0 | 1.8 | 2.4 | 4.6 | 7.3 | 7.4 | 8.7 | 9.3 | 14.7 | 38.8 | 100.0 | 770 | 8.3 | 7.7 |
| Tocal | 49.1 | 5.3 | 5.5 | 5.5 | 5.4 | 5.4 | 4.5 | 4.4 | 3.9 | 3.5 | 7.4 | 100.0 | 11499 | 2.9 | 2.7 |
| CURRENTILY MARRIED WOMEN |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15.19 | 50.2 | 35.8 | 12.5 | 1.1 | 0.1 | 0.3 | -- | -- | $\cdots$ | -- | -- | 100.0 | 353 | 0.7 | 0.6 |
| 20-24 | 22.0 | 24.9 | 23.7 | 17.9 | 7.7 | 2.9 | 0.7 | $\cdots$ | 0.1 | -- | -- | 100.0 | 1057 | 1.8 | 1.7 |
| 25-29 | 6.9 | 9.4 | 16.3 | 18.3 | 18.2 | 14.4 | 8.8 | 5.2 | 1.6 | 0.9 | - | 100.0 | 1268 | 3.5 | 3.4 |
| 30-34 | 2.6 | 2.6 | 5.7 | 8.5 | 13.6 | 18.0 | 15.6 | 14.1 | 10.2 | 4.8 | 4.3 | 100.0 | 1098 | 5.5 | 5.2 |
| 35-39 | 2.5 | 1.8 | 1.8 | 5.1 | 7.6 | 8.9 | 11.4 | 13.6 | 13.6 | 13.6 | 19.9 | 100.0 | 905 | 7.1 | 6.7 |
| 40-44 | 1.1 | 1.1 | 1.8 | 3.1 | 5.5 | 7.1 | 6.6 | 10.5 | 13.0 | 11.0 | 39.1 | 100.0 | 807 | 8.4 | 7.8 |
| 45-49 | 2.3 | 0.7 | 1.8 | 1.5 | 3.8 | 6.8 | 7.3 | 9.1 | 9.1 | 15.3 | 42.4 | 100.0 | 680 | 8.7 | 8.1 |
| Total | 9.3 | 9.2 | 9.9 | 9.7 | 9.7 | 9.7 | 8.1 | 8.0 | 6.9 | 6.1 | 13.5 | 100.0 | 6168 | 5.1 | 4.8 |

-- Lens than 0.05 percent

The level of fertility among teenagers is low. Only 5 percent of women age $15-19$ have had a child. The past high fertility of Jordanian women can be seen from the large proportion of women age 45-49 who have had 10 or more children ( 39 percent). Since voluntary childlessness is virtually nonexistent, childlessness at age 40 or above can be taken as evidence of primary infertility. Data from the JPFHS indicate that 4 percent of women over age 40 have never given birth.

The last two columns in Table 3.7 show the average number of children ever born and the average number of children still living according to mother's age. Differences in the mean number of children bom and living are notable only after age 30. Caution should be used in interpreting the data for women in the oldest age groups due to the problem of memory lapse; older women are more likely to omit some of their children, particularly if the children died at a young age or are living away from their mother.

### 3.4 BIRTH INTERVALS

A birth interval is the period of time between two successive live births. Information on the length of birth intervals in Jordan is presented in Table 3.8. The data are based on births in the five years preceding to the survey.

## Table 3.8 Birth intervals

Percent distribution of births in the five years preceding the survey by number of months since previous birth, according to selected background characteristics, Jordan 1990

| Background characteristic | Number of months since previous birth |  |  |  |  | Total | Median no. of months since previous birth | Number of births |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 7-17 | 18-23 | 24-35 | 36-47 | $48+$ |  |  |  |
| Age |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 61.7 | 18.5 | 18.2 | 1.7 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 16.5 | 57 |
| 20-29 | 37.0 | 26.8 | 26.7 | 6.4 | 3.1 | 100.0 | 20.9 | 3020 |
| 30-39 | 20.5 | 21.0 | 34.8 | 11.0 | 12.7 | 100.0 | 26.0 | 3025 |
| 40+ | 10.3 | 17.1 | 36.7 | 14.1 | 21.7 | 100.0 | 30.5 | 830 |
| Birth order |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $2-3$ | 39.3 | 25.0 | 23.6 | 7.3 | 4.8 | 100.0 | 20.5 | 2192 |
| 4-6 | 23.6 | 23.3 | 32.2 | 9.5 | 11.5 | 100.0 | 24.7 | 2420 |
| 7+ | 18.4 | 20.9 | 37.7 | 11.1 | 11.9 | 100.0 | 26.2 | 2320 |
| Sex of prior birth |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Male | 25.4 | 22.1 | 31.8 | 9.5 | 11.3 | 100.0 | 24.7 | 3555 |
| Female | 28.4 | 24.0 | 30.8 | 9.1 | 7.6 | 100.0 | 23.5 | 3377 |
| Survival of prior birth |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Living | 26.0 | 23.2 | 31.6 | 9.5 | 9.7 | 100.0 | 24.2 | 6655 |
| Dead | 46.0 | 19.6 | 24.2 | 5.9 | 4.3 | 100.0 | 18.8 | 278 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Large city | 27.0 | 20.9 | 28.3 | 11.1 | 12.7 | 100.0 | 24.6 | 2465 |
| Other urban | 27.4 | 23.3 | 31.4 | 9.3 | 8.7 | 100.0 | 23.8 | 2264 |
| Rural | 26.1 | 25.1 | 34.6 | 7.4 | 6.8 | 100.0 | 23.8 | 2202 |
| Region |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Amman | 26.6 | 22.3 | 28.8 | 10.2 | 12.1 | 100.0 | 24.3 | 2402 |
| Zarqa + Mafraq | 24.8 | 22.5 | 31.7 | 10.6 | 10.4 | 100.0 | 24.6 | 1403 |
| Irbid | 30.7 | 24.3 | 31.1 | 7.0 | 6.9 | 100.0 | 23.0 | 1874 |
| Balqa | 23.8 | 21.4 | 36.6 | 10.1 | 8.1 | 100.0 | 24.7 | 512 |
| South | 23.7 | 24.5 | 35.7 | 9.4 | 6.7 | 100.0 | 24.4 | 741 |
| Education level attended |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| No education | 17.7 | 21.6 | 40.9 | 10.6 | 9.3 | 100.0 | 26.1 | 1550 |
| Primary | 23.5 | 23.9 | 31.7 | 8.9 | 11.9 | 100.0 | 24.6 | 1606 |
| Secondary | 30.8 | 23.4 | 28.2 | 8.8 | 8.8 | 100.0 | 23.1 | 3111 |
| More than secondary | 37.6 | 22.3 | 22.8 | 9.8 | 7.5 | 100.0 | 21.5 | 664 |
| Total | 26.8 | 23.0 | 31.3 | 9.3 | 9.5 | 100.0 | 24.0 | 6932 |

Note: First-order births are excluded. The interval for multiple births is the number of months since the preceding pregnancy that ended in a live birth.

Women in Jordan favor relatively long birth intervals: half of all children are bom at least 2 years after their siblings, and one in five is bom after an interval of 3 years or longer. As expected, children borm to younger and lower parity women have shorter birth intervals than those born to older, higher parity women. Birth intervals following a child who died are also shorter than those following surviving children ( 19 months versus 24 months). This is consistent with results of an earlier survey (Abdel Aziz, 1988). The length of birth intervals does not vary by urban-rural residence or govemorate. However, intervals are shorter between births to more highly educated women, presumably in part because they marry later. Since these women are starting their families later, they are more likely to have shorter birth intervals in order to "catch up" with women who started childbearing earlier. Another reason may be the length of breastfeeding; educated women breastfeed their children for shorter duration than uneducated women.

### 3.5 AGE AT FIRST BIRTH

The onset of childbearing is an important indicator of fertility. In Jordan, the postponement of first births, reflecting later age at first marriage, has made a large contribution to the overall fertility decline.

Table 3.9 shows the distribution of women by age at first birth. Women under age 25 were not included in the calculation of median age at first birth because most had not given birth. The trend in the median age at first birth across age cohorts suggests an increase in the youngest cohorts: 23 years for women age $25-29$, and 21.2 years for women age $30-34$. Change has been negligible for women 35 years and over (median age at first birth 20.4 to 20.6 years).

Table 3.9 Age at first birth
Percent distribution of women by age at first birth, according to current age, Jordan 1990

| Current age | Women with no births | Age at first birth |  |  |  |  |  | Total | Number of women | Median age at first birth |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | <15 | 15-17 | 18-19 | 20-21 | 22-24 | 25+ |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 94.7 | -- | 3.4 | 1.9 | -- | -- | -- | 100.0 | 3394 | $a$ |
| 20-24 | 64.8 | 0.3 | 7.6 | 12.9 | 9.3 | 5.1 | -- | 100.0 | 2374 | a |
| 25-29 | 32.1 | 0.6 | 13.8 | 15.5 | 14.0 | 16.7 | 7.3 | 100.0 | 1781 | 23.0 |
| 30-34 | 13.6 | 1.8 | 19.3 | 19.2 | 15.8 | 17.3 | 13.0 | 100.0 | 1277 | 21.2 |
| 35-39 | 8.3 | 1.3 | 21.5 | 22.7 | 16.7 | 16.1 | 13.3 | 100.0 | 1014 | 20.4 |
| 40-44 | 3.9 | 2.7 | 19.3 | 22.1 | 19.3 | 20.7 | 12.0 | 100.0 | 890 | 20.5 |
| 45-49 | 4.0 | 3.7 | 16.6 | 21.7 | 23.6 | 18.4 | 11.9 | 100.0 | 770 | 20.6 |

-- Less than 0.05 percent
${ }^{\text {a }}$ Less than 50 percent of the women have had a birth by the beginning of the age group.

Table 3.10 presents the differentials in age at first birth among women $25-49$ years by background characteristics. The median age at first birth for women residing in large cities (21.6 years) is slightly higher than that for women living in other urban or rural areas ( 21.0 years). There are no significant differences in the age at first birth by region. Differentials by education are more marked and show an unusual patterm. Women with secondary education have the highest median age at first birth ( 21.2 years), followed by women with no education. The lowest median age at first birth is for women who have attended primary school (19.6 years).

Table 3.10 Median age at first birth by background characteristics
Median age at first birth among women 25-49, by current age and selected background characteristics, Jordan 1990
$\left.\begin{array}{lccccccc}\hline & & & & & & \\ \text { Current age }\end{array} \begin{array}{c}\text { Women } \\ \text { age }\end{array}\right\}$

Note: The medians for cohorts 15-19 and 20-24 could not be determined because some women may still have a birth before reaching age 20 or 25 , respectively.
${ }^{2}$ Less than 50 percent of the women in these age groups have had a birth.

### 3.6 TEENAGE FERTILITY

Table 3.11 examines the extent of fertility among women age 15-19. This issue is of major social and health concem because teenage mothers and their children usually have higher risk of morbidity and mortality. At the same time, women who become mothers in their teens are more likely to curtail their education.

The level of teenage childbearing in Jordan is low; only 7 percent of 3,394 women age $15-19$ in the sample have given birth ( 5 percent) or are pregnant with their first child ( 2 percent). This is consistent with information on the age at marriage (see Chapter 5). Since half of Jordanian women marry when they are nearing age 20, very few have given birth before age 18. Among women 18 years of age, only one in seven ( 14 percent) is pregnant with her first child or has become a mother, this increases to 18 percent for women 19 years of age.

| Table 3.11 Teenage fertility |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Percentage of women 15-19 who are mothers or pregnant with their first child, by selected background characteristics, Jordan 1990 |  |  |  |  |
|  | Percentage who are: |  | Percentage who have begun childbearing | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Number } \\ & \text { of } \\ & \text { women } \end{aligned}$ |
| Background characteristic | Mothers | Pregnant with first child |  |  |
| Age |  |  |  |  |
| 15 | 0.2 | 0.3 | 0.6 | 738 |
| 16 | 1.2 | 1.6 | 2.8 | 863 |
| 17 | 4.3 | 2.1 | 6.3 | 616 |
| 18 | 9.2 | 4.2 | 13.5 | 639 |
| 19 | 15.3 | 2.7 | 18.0 | 537 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |
| Large city | 5.6 | 1.8 | 7.5 | 1351 |
| Other urban | 5.1 | 1.9 | 7.1 | 1252 |
| Rural | 5.0 | 2.7 | 7.7 | 788 |
| Region |  |  |  |  |
| Amman | 5.3 | 1.6 | 6.9 | 1522 |
| Zarga + Mafraq | 4.7 | 1.9 | 6.6 | 683 |
| Irbid | 5.3 | 2.4 | 7.7 | 860 |
| Balqa | 3.6 | 4.2 | 7.8 | 145 |
| South | 9.9 | 3.3 | 13.2 | 169 |
| Education level attended |  |  |  |  |
| No education | 8.3 | 2.3 | 10.6 | 74 |
| Primary | 8.8 | 4.2 | 13.0 | 310 |
| Secondary | 4.8 | 1.7 | 6.5 | 3000 |
| More than secondary | 0.8 | 2.1 | 3.0 | 239 |
| Total | 5.3 | 2.1 | 7.4 | 3394 |

Urban-rural residence is not strongly associated with teenage motherhood. With respect to education, the proportion of teenagers who are mothers or pregnant declines as education level increases. The data indicate that the impact of education in reducing teenage pregnancy appears to begin with secondary schooling. There is also a reverse relationship between education and childbearing in that young women who are pregnant often drop out of school. The regional distribution shows that the South has the highest level of teenage childbearing, followed by Balqa and Irbid, while Amman, Zarqa and Mafraq have the lowest levels.

Table 3.12 presents the distribution of women age 15-19 by number of children ever borm. The average number of children ever born for this age group is less than 0.1 child, indicating that the level of teenage fertility in Jordan is very low.

Table 3.12 Children born to teenagers
Percent distribution of women 15-19 by number of children ever borm (CEB), according to single year of age, Jordan 1990

|  | Number of <br> children ever born |  |  |  |  | Mean <br> number <br> of |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 0 | 1 | $2+$ | Total | Number <br> of <br> women |  |
| 15 | 99.8 | 0.2 | - | 100.0 | -- | $738 \cdots$ |
| 16 | 98.8 | 1.1 | 0.1 | 100.0 | -- | 863 |
| 17 | 95.7 | 3.6 | 0.6 | 100.0 | -- | 616 |
| 18 | 90.8 | 6.4 | 2.8 | 100.0 | 0.1 | 639 |
| 19 | 84.7 | 10.1 | 5.3 | 100.0 | 0.2 | 537 |
| Total | 94.7 | 3.8 | 1.5 | 100.0 | 0.1 | 3394 |

-- Less than 0.05 percent, or mean less than 0.05 children

## CHAPTER 4

## FAMILY PLANNING

The Government of Jordan has no explicit population policy intended to influence fertility levels, but it acknowledges the right of parents to decide the number and spacing of their children. In recent years, family planning activities have increased substantially. Through the Ministry of Health, the Jordan Family Planning and Protection Association and rural development projects, women are receiving information about family health, breastfeeding, and childspacing.

The 1990 JPFHS was designed to collect information on topics related to the spacing and limiting of births. This chapter presents the major findings on current, past, and intended future use of contraception. Whenever possible, comparison is made with the results of three DHS surveys carried out in North Africa (Egypt, Morocco, and Tunisia); time trends are examined by comparing the JPFHS findings with those of two earlier surveys: the 1976 Jordan Fertility Survey (JFS) (Department of Statistics, 1979) and the 1983 Jordan Fertility and Family Health Survey (JFFHS) (Department of Statistics, 1984b).

### 4.1 KNOWLEDGE OF FAMILY PLANNING METHODS AND SOURCES

One of the major objectives of the JPFHS is to determine the level of knowledge of contraceptive methods. In the survey, the level of awareness of family planning methods was measured in two ways:

1. Respondents were first asked an open-ended question about which contraceptive methods they had heard of. All methods named in response to this question were recorded as unprompted (spontaneous) knowledge.
2. When a respondent failed to mention any of the listed methods, the interviewer would describe the method and ask if the respondent had heard about it. All methods recognized by the respondent after description were recorded as prompted (probed) knowledge.

Information on knowledge was collected for seven modern methods (the pill, IUD, injection, vaginal methods (foam, jelly, sponge or diaphragm), the condom, female sterilization and male sterilization), and three traditional methods (periodic abstinence, withdrawal and prolonged breastfeeding ${ }^{1}$ ). In addition, provision was made in the questionnaire to record any other methods named spontaneously by respondents.

In this analysis, only the overall levels of knowledge are presented, i.e., respondents are classified as knowing a method regardless of whether they recognized it spontaneously or after hearing it described. It should be noted that knowledge of a family planning method in the JPFHS and all DHS surveys is defined simply as having heard of a method. No questions were asked to elicit depth of knowledge, such as how a specific method is used.

[^0]Virtually all currently married women in Jordan know at least one method of family planning (see Table 4.1). Among modern methods, the pill and IUD are the best known ( 98 percent), followed by female sterilization ( 95 percent). Knowledge of the condom, vaginal methods and injection varies from 51 to 58 percent. The least recognized method, male sterilization, is known by only 26 percent of married women. Among traditional methods, as expected, prolonged breastfeeding is known by nearly all currently married women. Periodic abstinence and withdrawal are also well known (78 and 70 percent, respectively).

Most currently married women ( 95 percent) know a source for family planning methods (see Table 4.1). Knowledge of a source is highest for the pill ( 89 percent) and the IUD ( 88 percent), and lowest for injection ( 40 percent) and male sterilization ( 21 percent). Generally, eight or nine of every ten women who know a specific method are familiar with a source for that method.

|  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| source for methods |  |  |
| Percentage of currently ma specific contraceptive meth (for information or service Jordan 1990 | d women and who y specific | ho know now a source ethods, |
| Contraceptive mechod | Know method | Know a source |
| Any method | 99.8 | 94.8 |
| Any modern method | 99.0 | 94.2 |
| Pill | 98.3 | 88.6 |
| IUD | 97.9 | 87.7 |
| Injection | 50.7 | 39.8 |
| Vaginal methods | 58.1 | 49.7 |
| Condom | 55.2 | 46.8 |
| Fernale sterilization | 94.5 | 85.3 |
| Male sterilization | 26.3 | 20.9 |
| Any traditional method | 99.7 | 64.7 |
| Periodic abstinence | 78.0 | 64.7 |
| Withdrawal | 70.2 | NA |
| Prolonged breasffeeding | 99.7 | NA |
| Other | 6.8 | NA |
| Number of women | 6168 | 6168 |
| NA = Not applicable |  |  |

Table 4.2 presents the percentage of currently married women who know any method of contraception, who know any modem method, and the percentage who know a source for a modem method by selected background characteristics. Since knowledge of any family planning method or any modem method is almost universal, there is little variation among subgroups.

With respect to knowledge of a source for modem methods, at least 90 percent of women in all subgroups know a source for a modern method except women living in rural areas ( 89 percent), those with no education ( 87 percent), and those residing in Balqa Govemorate ( 69 percent).

| Table 4.2 Knowledge of modern contraceptive methods and source for methods |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Percentage of currently married women who know at least one modern consraceptive method and who know a source (for information or services) for a modern method, by selected background characteristics, Jordan 1990 |  |  |  |  |
| Background characteristic | Know any method | Know a modern method ${ }^{1}$ | Know a source for modern method | Number of women |
| Age |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 99.3 | 97.8 | 91.0 | 353 |
| 20.24 | 99.9 | 99.1 | 94.2 | 1057 |
| 25-29 | 100.0 | 99.8 | 96.2 | 1268 |
| 30-34 | 99.9 | 99.4 | 95.2 | 1098 |
| 35-39 | 99.8 | 98.9 | 95.1 | 905 |
| 40-44 | 99.8 | 98.5 | 92.7 | 807 |
| 45-49 | 99.8 | 97.8 | 91.5 | 680 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |
| Large city | 99.9 | 99.5 | 97.2 | 2513 |
| Other urban | 100.0 | 99.3 | 94.6 | 2034 |
| Rural | 99.7 | 97.8 | 89.2 | 1622 |
| Region |  |  |  |  |
| Amman | 99.9 | 99.5 | 96.5 | 2420 |
| Zarqa + Mafraq | 100.0 | 99.3 | 94.8 | 1265 |
| Irbid | 100.0 | 99.5 | 98.1 | 1470 |
| Balqa | 98.7 | 93.6 | 69.3 | 416 |
| South | 100.0 | 98.6 | 92.0 | 597 |
| Education level attended |  |  |  |  |
| No education | 99.7 | 97.1 | 87.3 | 1422 |
| Primary | 99.8 | 99.1 | 95.1 | 1365 |
| Secondary | 99.9 | 99.7 | 96.6 | 2723 |
| More than secondary | 100.0 | 99.8 | 97.8 | 658 |
| Total | 99.8 | 99.0 | 94.2 | 6168 |
| ${ }^{1}$ Includes pill, IUD, injection, vaginal methods (diaphragm/foam/jelly), condom, female sterilization, male sterilization and Norplant |  |  |  |  |

### 4.2 EVER USE OF CONTRACEPTION

Table 4.3 shows the percentage of women who have ever used a contraceptive method. Two-thirds ( 64 percent) of ever-married women report that they have used a contraceptive method at some time, including 18 percent who have used prolonged breastfeeding. Ever-use among currently married women ( 65 percent) is almost the same as for ever-married women. Modem methods are used by the majority of currently married ever-users ( 52 percent). The pill is the most popular method ( 33 percent), followed by the IUD ( 31 percent). The percentage reporting ever-use of any other modem method is less than 8 percent.

Table 4.3 Ever use of contraception
Percentage of ever-married women and of currently married women who have ever used a contraceptive method, by specific method and age, Jordan 1990

| Contraceptive method | Age of woman |  |  |  |  |  |  | Total |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 15-19 | 20-24 | 25-29 | 30-34 | 35-39 | 40-44 | 45-49 |  |
| EVER-MARRIED WOMEN |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Any method | 21.2 | 45.8 | 65.5 | 76.0 | 73.9 | 73.0 | 64.0 | 63.7 |
| Any modern method | 9.0 | 30.3 | 49.4 | 62.8 | 63.7 | 63.2 | 53.5 | 50.8 |
| Pill | 6.1 | 16.0 | 29.4 | 39.4 | 41.9 | 45.4 | 39.5 | 32.8 |
| IUD | 2.7 | 19.8 | 32.2 | 42.5 | 38.8 | 30.6 | 20.7 | 29.7 |
| Injection | -. | -- | 0.4 | 1.1 | 1.8 | 3.3 | 4.5 | 1.5 |
| Vaginal methods | 2.2 | 2.3 | 5.5 | 8.3 | 10.1 | 10.6 | 8.8 | 7.0 |
| Condom | 1.3 | 3.1 | 6.2 | 12.4 | 6.8 | 7.8 | 5.7 | 6.7 |
| Female sterilization | -- | -- | 0.3 | 1.9 | 10.1 | 15.4 | 13.2 | 5.5 |
| Male sterilization | -- | -- | -- | -- | 0.1 | -- | -- | -- |
| Any traditional method | 16.0 | 28.2 | 41.4 | 47.5 | 42.2 | 40.3 | 34.8 | 38.1 |
| Periodic abssinence | 4.8 | 11.2 | 16.6 | 23.1 | 18.6 | 18.0 | 14.6 | 16.5 |
| Withdrawal | 6.3 | 9.4 | 17.3 | 23.1 | 18.9 | 20.9 | 15.7 | 16.9 |
| Prolonged breasfeeding | 8.3 | 13.0 | 20.1 | 22.5 | 21.3 | 19.6 | 16.7 | 18.4 |
| Other | -- | 0.1 | 0.8 | 0.8 | 1.4 | 2.3 | 2.1 | 1.1 |
| Number of women | 359 | 1073 | 1313 | 1138 | 959 | 866 | $755^{\circ}$ | 6461 |
| CURRENTLY MARRIED WOMEN |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Any method | 20.9 | 46.0 | 66.9 | 77.3 | 75.9 | 74.7 | 67.1 | 64.9 |
| Any modern method | 8.9 | 30.3 | 50.4 | 63.7 | 65.5 | 64.7 | 55.9 | 51.7 |
| Pill | 6.2 | 16.2 | 30.0 | 40.0 | 42.6 | 45.9 | 41.2 | 33.2 |
| IUD | 2.4 | 20.1 | 33.2 | 43.6 | 40.7 | 32.1 | 22.3 | 30.8 |
| Injection | -- | -- | 0.2 | 1.0 | 1.8 | 3.1 | 4.8 | 1.4 |
| Vaginal methods | 2.2 | 2.3 | 5.5 | 8.6 | 10.4 | 10.7 | 9.2 | 7.1 |
| Condom | 1.4 | 2.9 | 6.2 | 12.6 | 6.9 | 7.7 | 6.0 | 6.8 |
| Female sterilization | .- | -. | 0.3 | 1.8 | 10.7 | 16.2 | 14.0 | 5.6 |
| Male sterilization | -- | -- | -- | -. | 0.1 | -- | -- | -- |
| Any traditlonal method | 15.6 | 28.3 | 42.2 | 48.6 | 43.7 | 41.9 | 36.8 | 39.0 |
| Periodic abstinence | 4.9 | 11.3 | 17.1 | 23.8 | 19.6 | 18.6 | 15.8 | 17.0 |
| Withdrawal | 6.1 | 9.4 | 17.8 | 23.5 | 19.6 | 21.8 | 17.1 | 17.4 |
| Prolonged breasfeeding | 8.1 | 13.1 | 20.3 | 23.2 | 21.9 | 20.5 | 17.3 | 18.8 |
| Other | -- | 0.1 | 0.8 | 0.8 | 1.5 | 2.4 | 2.4 | 1.1 |
| Number of women | 353 | 1057 | 1268 | 1098 | 905 | 807 | 680 | 6168 |

-- Less than 0.05 percent

The level of ever-use of traditional contraceptive methods is fairly high in Jordan. Prolonged breastfeeding, the most frequently adopted traditional method, has been used by 19 percent of currently married women, followed by withdrawal ( 17 percent) and periodic abstinence ( 17 percent).

Ever use of contraceptive methods increases with age, from 21 percent among currently married women age $15-19$ to 77 percent among women age $30-34$, and declines thereafter. This pattern is particularly true for the IUD. While the IUD has been used by less than 3 percent of currently married women age $15-19$, ever use of the IUD increases rapidly to 44 percent among women age 30-34. Ever use of the pill peaks at age 40-44. Among traditional methods, prolonged breastfeeding is used most frequently by women age $25-$ 44, while withdrawal and periodic abstinence are most popular among women age 30-34.

Compared with the findings of the 1976 JFS, the level of ever-use among ever-married women has increased by 36 percent, from 47 percent in 1976 to 64 percent in 1990. The overall increase in ever use of modern methods between the two surveys is slightly lower ( 31 percent) than the increase for all methods.

### 4.3 CURRENT USE OF CONTRACEPTION

The level of current use of contraception is one of the indicators most frequently used to assess the success of family planning activities. It is also widely used as a measure in the analysis of the determinants of fertility.

The JPFHS findings indicate that 40 percent of currently married women are using a contraceptive method, including 5 percent of women who are using prolonged breastfeeding (see Table 4.4 and Figure 4.1). Two-thirds of current users rely on modem inethods, while the remaining women use traditional methods. The IUD is the most widely adopted modem method ( 15 percent), followed by female sterilization ( 6 percent) and the pill ( 5 percent). Less than 2 percent rely on other modern methods, such as the condom and vaginal methods. Thirteen percent of currently married women are using a traditional method, principally prolonged breastfeeding ( 5 percent); withdrawal and periodic abstinence are each practiced by 4 percent of currently married women.

Overall, the level of contraceptive use has increased substantially in recent years, from 23 percent in the 1976 JFS survey to 26 percent in the 1983 JFFHS survey, and to 35 percent in the 1990 JPFHS survey ${ }^{2}$ (see Table 4.5). The relative increase in the seven years preceding the JPFHS is more than 29 percent for modern methods, and 35 percent for all methods.

Comparing specific methods, there has been considerable change in the use of specific contraceptive methods in the period between 1976 and 1990 (see Table 4.5 and Figure 4.2). Most noticeable is the shift from the pill to the IUD and female sterilization. While 12 and 8 percent of married women were using the pill in 1976 and 1983 respectively, only 5 percent were using it in 1990. On the other hand, IUD use increased from 2 percent in 1976 to 8 percent in 1983, and to 15 percent in 1990. Use of female sterilization also increased substantially.

The JPFHS findings on use of contraception are similar to those for other Arab countries in which DHS surveys have been conducted (Egypt, Morocco and Tunisia), and which have long-established family planning programs. The Jordan findings are most similar to those from Egypt and Morocco (see below).

[^1]| Table 4.4 Current use of contrace |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Percent distritution of ever-married women and of currently married women by current use of contraceptive methods, according to age, Jorden 1990 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | e of wor |  |  |  |  |
| method | 15-19 | 20-24 | 25-29 | 30.34 | 35-39 | 40-44 | 45-49 | Total |
| EVER-MARRIED WOMEN |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Any method | 12.1 | 27.7 | 36.0 | 47.0 | 49.3 | 48.5 | 31.0 | 38.3 |
| Any modern method | 3.8 | 16.1 | 22.7 | 32.3 | 35.6 | 34.9 | 22.5 | 25.8 |
| Pill | 1.1 | 3.7 | 4.2 | 5.2 | 6.1 | 5.6 | 2.5 | 4.4 |
| IUD | 1.9 | 11.6 | 16.7 | 23.3 | 18.1 | 12.6 | 5.9 | 14.6 |
| Injection | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Vaginal methods | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.8 | 0.5 | 0.6 | 0.6 | 0.4 | 0.5 |
| Condom | 0.5 | 0.5 | 0.7 | 1.4 | 0.7 | 0.5 | 0.4 | 0.7 |
| Female sterilization | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.3 | 1.9 | 10.1 | 15.4 | 13.2 | 5.5 |
| Male sterilization | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Any traditional method | 8.3 | 11.6 | 13.3 | 14.6 | 13.7 | 13.6 | 8.5 | 12.5 |
| Periodic abstinence | 1.4 | 2.9 | 3.2 | 3.6 | 5.0 | 5.5 | 3.3 | 3.7 |
| Withdrawal | 2.3 | 2.9 | 3.2 | 4.5 | 3.9 | 5.4 | 4.1 | 3.8 |
| Prolonged breastfeeding | 4.5 | 5.7 | 6.9 | 6.3 | 4.7 | 2.2 | 0.8 | 4.8 |
| Other | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.3 | 0.1 | 0.4 | 0.3 | 0.2 |
| Not using | 87.9 | 72.3 | 64.0 | 53.0 | 50.7 | 51.5 | 69.0 | 61.7 |
| Total | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Number | 359 | 1073 | 1313 | 1138 | 959 | 866 | 755 | 6461 |
| CURRENTLY MARRIED WOMEN |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Any method | 12.3 | 28.1 | 37.2 | 48.5 | 52.3 | 51.6 | 33.7 | 40.0 |
| Any modern method | 3.9 | 16.4 | 23.5 | 33.3 | 37.8 | 37.1 | 24.2 | 26.9 |
| Pill | 1.1 | 3.7 | 4.4 | 5.4 | 6.5 | 6.0 | 2.8 | 4.6 |
| IUD | 2.0 | 11.8 | 17.3 | 24.1 | 19.2 | 13.5 | 6.5 | 15.3 |
| Injection | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Vaginal methods | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.8 | 0.6 | 0.6 | 0.6 | 0.5 | 0.6 |
| Condom | 0.5 | 0.5 | 0.7 | 1.4 | 0.7 | 0.6 | 0.5 | 0.8 |
| Female sterilization | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.3 | 1.8 | 10.7 | 16.2 | 14.0 | 5.6 |
| Male sterilization | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Any traditional method | 8.4 | 11.7 | 13.7 | 15.1 | 14.5 | 14.5 | 9.5 | 13.1 |
| Periodic abstinence | 1.5 | 2.9 | 3.3 | 3.7 | 5.3 | 5.9 | 3.7 | 3.9 |
| Withdrawal | 2.4 | 2.9 | 3.3 | 4.7 | 4.1 | 5.8 | 4.5 | 4.0 |
| Prolonged breastfeeding | 4.6 | 5.8 | 7.2 | 6.5 | 5.0 | 2.3 | 0.9 | 5.0 |
| Other | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.3 | 0.1 | 0.5 | 0.4 | 0.2 |
| Not using | 87.7 | 71.9 | 62.8 | 51.5 | 47.7 | 48.4 | 66.3 | 60.0 |
| Total | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Number | 353 | 1057 | 1268 | 1098 | 905 | 807 | 680 | 6168 |

Figure 4.1
Current Use of Contraceptive Methods Currently Married Women 15-49


Table 4.5 Trends in contraceptive use
Percentage of currently married women who are using specific contraceptive methods, Jordan, 1976 JFS, 1983 JFFHS, and 1990 JPFHS

| Contraceptive method | $\begin{gathered} 1976 \\ \text { JFS } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 1983 \\ \text { JFFHS } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 1990 \\ \text { JPFHS } \end{gathered}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Any method | 22.8 | 26.0 | 35.0 |
| Any modern method | 17.3 | 20.8 | 26.9 |
| Pill | 11.9 | 7.8 | 4.6 |
| IUD | 2.0 | 8.3 | 15.3 |
| Injection | NA | 0.2 | 0.0 |
| Vaginal methods | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.6 |
| Condom | 1.4 | 0.6 | 0.8 |
| Female sterilization | 1.9 | 3.8 | 5.6 |
| Any traditional method ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | 5.4 | 5.3 | $8.1{ }^{\text {b }}$ |
| Periodic abstinence | 2.1 | 2.9 | 3.9 |
| Withdrawal | 3.3 | 2.4 | 4.0 |
| Number of women | 3455 | 3735 | 6184 |

${ }^{\text {a }}$ Other methods are excluded because of non-comparability among the three surveys.
${ }^{6}$ Prolonged breastfeeding is excluded as a contraceptive method because no question was asked about this method in the two earlier surveys.
Source: Deparment of Statistics (1979; 1984b)


Use of contraception among currently married women, selected DHS surveys, 1987-1990 ${ }^{3}$

|  | Any <br> method | Modern <br> method | Traditional <br> method |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Egypt, $1988^{4}$ | 36.7 | 35.4 | 1.3 |
| Jordan, 1990 | $\mathbf{3 5 . 0}$ | $\mathbf{2 6 . 9}$ | $\mathbf{8 . 1}$ |
| Morocco, 1987 | 35.9 | 28.9 | 6.9 |
| Tunisia, 1988 | 49.8 | 40.4 | 9.4 |

Use of contraceptive methods differs by demographic and socioeconomic characteristics. With regard to age patterns, the proportion of women using contraception increases with age and then declines (see Table 4.4); current use among currently married women is lowest among women age 15-19 ( 12 percent), increases to the highest level among women 35-39 (52 percent), then declines sharply among those 45-49 years of age ( 34 percent). Most women in the younger cohorts use contraception for spacing births, relying on the pill, IUD, and traditional methods. Women age 40-49 are more likely to use female sterilization in order to limit (stop) childbearing.

[^2]Contraceptive use is highest among women living in large cities ( 48 percent), followed by women in other urban areas ( 39 percent) and rural areas ( 29 percent) (see Table 4.6) The percentage using modern methods among women in large cities is twice that of rural women ( 34 percent and 17 percent respectively) (see Figure 4.3).

There is considerable regional variation in current use of family planning (see Table 4.6). The govemorate of Amman has the highest level of contraceptive use ( 48 percent) followed by the govemorates of Zarqa and Mafraq ( 40 percent). The lowest levels are in the South ( 32 percent) and Balqa ( 26 percent). Differentials in use of modem methods are similar to those for use of any method.

With regard to education, current use of contraception varies primarily between women who have received formal education and those with no education (see Table 4.6). Differences between the three education levels are small. This pattern is also true for current use of modern methods. It should be noted, however, that use of the IUD increases with level of education, while use of female sterilization is negatively correlated with level of educational attainment. This could be due in part to the fact that women with no educationtend to be older and have more children than women who have received formal education, and thus are more likely to want to stop childbearing altogether. Use of traditional methods also increases with level of education; this is particularly true for periodic abstinence.

Figure 4.3 Contraceptive Use by Residence and Education, Currently Married Women 15-49


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Current use of contraception increases with the number of living children, ranging from less than 1 percent among currently married women with no children to 48 percent among those with four or more children (see Table 4.6 and Figure 4.4).

Table 4.6 Current use of contraception by background characteristics
Percent distribution of currently married women by contraceptive method currently used, according to selected background characteristics, Jordan 1990

| Background characteristic | Any method | Modern methods |  |  |  |  |  | Traditional methods |  |  |  |  | Not using any method | Total | Number of women |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Any modem method ${ }^{1}$ | Pill | IUD | Vaginal methods | Condom | Female sterilization | Any method | Periodic abstinence | Withdrawal | Prolong. breastfeeding | Other |  |  |  |
| Resldence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Large city | 48.3 | 33.5 | 6.2 | 19.4 | 0.8 | 1.1 | 5.9 | 14.8 | 5.4 | 4.7 | 4.6 | 0.1 | 51.7 | 100.0 | 2513 |
| Other urban | 38.7 | 26.5 | 3.9 | 14.8 | 0.5 | 0.6 | 6.6 | 12.2 | 3.1 | 4.3 | 4.6 | 0.2 | 61.3 | 100.0 | 2034 |
| Rural | 28.5 | 16.9 | 3.0 | 9.5 | 0.2 | 0.3 | 3.8 | 11.6 | 2.5 | 2.6 | 6.2 | 0.3 | 71.5 | 100.0 | 1622 |
| Region |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Amman | 48.3 | 33.8 | 5.7 | 19.3 | 1.0 | 1.1 | 6.7 | 14.5 | 4.6 | 4.8 | 5.0 | 0.1 | 51.7 | 100.0 | 2420 |
| Zarqa + Mafraq | 39.9 | 25.6 | 5.2 | 15.8 | -- | 0.5 | 4.0 | 14.3 | 3.6 | 5.3 | 5.2 | 0.2 | 60.1 | 100.0 | 1265 |
| Iftid | 33.7 | 20.9 | 2.8 | 11.2 | 0.5 | 0.7 | 5.9 | 12.7 | 3.8 | 3.1 | 5.6 | 0.3 | 66.3 | 100.0 | 1470 |
| Balqa | 25.5 | 20.1 | 4.7 | 10.4 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 4.8 | 5.5 | 2.6 | 0.9 | 1.7 | 0.2 | 74.5 | 100.0 | 416 |
| South | 31.8 | 20.7 | 3.2 | 11.4 | 0.3 | 0.8 | 4.8 | 11.1 | 2.4 | 2.6 | 5.9 | 0.2 | 68.2 | 100.0 | 597 |
| Education level attended |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| No education | 31.6 | 20.7 | 3.0 | 8.1 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 9.3 | 10.9 | 2.1 | 3.0 | 5.6 | 0.2 | 68.4 | 100.0 | 1422 |
| Primary | 42.6 | 30.5 | 4.9 | 15.2 | 0.5 | 0.7 | 9.2 | 12.0 | 3.1 | 4.4 | 4.3 | 0.2 | 57.4 | 100.0 | 1365 |
| Secondary <br> More than | 42.2 | 27.8 | 5.3 | 17.9 | 0.6 | 1.0 | 2.9 | 14.4 | 4.4 | 4.6 | 5.3 | 0.1 | 57.8 | 100.0 | 2723 |
| secondary | 43.2 | 28.6 | 4.9 | 19.9 | 1.4 | 1.0 | 1.6 | 14.6 | 7.1 | 3.1 | 4.2 | 0.2 | 56.8 | 100.0 | 658 |
| Number of living children |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0 | 0.9 | 0.3 | 0.2 | 0.2 | -- | -- | -- | 0.5 | 0.1 | 0.4 | -- | -- | 99.1 | 100.0 | 583 |
| 1 | 22.9 | 7.6 | 3.4 | 2.8 | 0.6 | 0.6 | 0.2 | 15.3 | 5.2 | 3.3 | 6.8 | $\cdots$ | 77.1 | 100.0 | 582 |
| 2 | 37.5 | 24.3 | 4.4 | 17.6 | 0.3 | 1.6 | 0.5 | 13.2 | 4.3 | 4.2 | 4.6 | $\cdots$ | 62.5 | 100.0 | 652 |
| 3 | 45.9 | 30.6 | 5.3 | 21.5 | 0.5 | 0.9 | 2.4 | 15.3 | 4.2 | 3.0 | 8.0 | 0.1 | 54.1 | 100.0 | 628 |
| 4+ | 48.2 | 33.8 | 5.4 | 18.1 | 0.7 | 0.7 | 8.8 | 14.3 | 4.1 | 4.8 | 5.1 | 0.3 | 51.8 | 100.0 | 3724 |
| Total | 40.0 | 26.9 | 4.6 | 15.3 | 0.6 | 0.8 | 5.6 | 13.1 | 3.9 | 4.0 | 5.0 | 0.2 | 60.0 | 100.0 | 6168 |

[^3]${ }^{1}$ Includes useru of injection and male sterilization.


### 4.4 NUMBER OF CHILDREN AT FIRST USE OF CONTRACEPTION

Table 4.7 shows the number of children women had when they first used contraception. With increasing adoption of family planning, particularly among younger women, the average parity of women at first use of contraception has been declining. Less than one-third of women age $40-49$ used any family planning method before having 4 or more children, compared to over half of women age 25-29. Women are adopting family planning fairly early in the family building process. The proportion who started using contraception after marriage to delay the first birth has increased from less than 1 percent among women age 45-49 to almost 4 percent among those age 15-19. Overall, 19 percent of ever-married women ( 30 percent of ever-users), began using a contraceptive method when they had one child, and an additional 12 percent when they had two children.

When the Jordan findings were compared with those from the three North African countries in which DHS survey has been conducted (Egypt, Morocco, and Tunisia), it was found that parity at first use of contraception in Jordan was about the same as in Egypt, but higher than in Tunisia and Morocco.

Table 4.7 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, according to current age, Jordan 1990

| Current age | Never used coniraception | Number of children at time of first use of contraception |  |  |  |  | Total | Number of women |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4+ |  |  |
| 15-19 | 78.8 | 3.6 | 14.9 | 2.6 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 359 |
| 20-24 | 54.2 | 2.7 | 24.0 | 13.0 | 4.2 | 2.0 | 100.0 | 1073 |
| 25-29 | 34.5 | 2.1 | 27.6 | 16.3 | 8.8 | 10.7 | 100.0 | 1313 |
| 30-34 | 24.0 | 2.0 | 21.0 | 17.2 | 11.4 | 24.4 | 100.0 | 1138 |
| 35-39 | 26.1 | 0.8 | 14.4 | 11.3 | 9.8 | 37.5 | 100.0 | 959 |
| 40-44 | 27.0 | 0.6 | 13.5 | 7.9 | 10.1 | 40.8 | 100.0 | 866 |
| 45-49 | 36.0 | 0.2 | 11.1 | 6.1 | 6.7 | 39.8 | 100.0 | 755 |
| Total | 36.3 | 1.7 | 19.4 | 12.1 | 8.1 | 22.5 | 100.0 | 6461 |

### 4.5 PROBLEMS WITH CURRENT USE OF CONTRACEPTION

Table 4.8 presents the problems identified by women as associated with the use of specific contraceptive methods. Overall, the majority of current users ( 71 to 98 percent) have had no problems with their methods. However, a minority of users report that they have had problems, mainly with the pill and IUD. Side effects and health concerns are the main problems reported by pill and IUD users ( 27 percent and 20 percent, respectively).

Table 4.8 Problems with current method of contraception
Percent distribution of contraceptive users by the main problem with current method, according to specific methods, Jordan 1990

| Main problem | Pill | IUD | Vaginal <br> methods | Con- <br> dom | Female <br> sterili- <br> zation | Periodic <br> absti- <br> nence | With <br> drawal | Prolonged <br> breast- <br> feeding |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| No problem | 70.5 | 76.9 | 88.5 | 90.6 | 81.1 | 95.0 | 89.3 | 97.5 |
| Husband disapproves | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.7 | 0.0 | 1.2 | 2.6 | 0.0 |
| Side effects | 17.0 | 13.6 | 5.0 | 0.0 | 7.5 | 0.7 | 1.3 | 0.0 |
| Health concerns | 9.7 | 6.7 | 3.7 | 5.1 | 9.6 | 0.0 | 3.3 | 0.7 |
| Inconvenient to use | 0.5 | 0.2 | 2.9 | 3.7 | 0.0 | 1.1 | 2.1 | 0.4 |
| Sterilized, want children | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.3 |
| Other | 2.4 | 2.4 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.8 | 2.1 | 1.0 | 0.7 |
| Missing | 0.0 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.5 | 0.3 |
| Total | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Number | 285 | 942 | 34 | 47 | 356 | 238 | 248 | 310 |

Note: Users of injection, male sterilization and other raditional methods are excluded because of their small numbers.

### 4.6 KNOWLEDGE OF THE FERTILE PERIOD

Periodic abstinence is regarded as an important family planning method for health reasons as well as psychological, religious, and social reasons. A basic knowledge of the ovulatory cycle and an awareness of the fertile period is important for practicing periodic abstinence or the safe period method. As noted earlier, this method has been used by 17 percent of currently married women at some time, and it is currently being used by 4 percent of women. Since the failure rate for using the safe period method is high, it is important to find out if women who are practicing the method know when in the ovulatory cycle they should avoid having sexual intercourse.

Table 4.9 presents the distribution of all evermarried women and of women who have ever used periodic abstinence by the time in the ovulatory cycle when they think a woman is most likely to get pregnant (perceived fertile period). To obtain these data, the respondent was asked when in the monthly cycle a woman has the greatest chance of becoming pregnant. The response was recorded in one of the precoded categories. The results indicate that the ovulatory cycle is well known to ever-married women, as well as to women who have used the safe period method. Half of ever-married women can identify the correct safe period. This proportion is more than twice that for ever-married women in Egypt, Tunisia, Morocco and Sudan (DHS surveys). Among women who have used periodic abstinence, 69 percent answered correctly, while 21 percent gave the response "after the period ended." Again, these rates are higher than in all the above-mentioned countries except Sudan (72 percent).

Despite the relatively large proportion of women who can correctly identify the fertile period, it should be noted that more than one in five ever-married women say they do not know when the fertile period occurs. As periodic abstinence is being used by a substantial number of women, family planning workers need to provide more information on the physiology of reproduction, with emphasis on the ovulatory cycle.

### 4.7 TIMING OF STERILIZATION

With the increasing use of sterilization among women, the age at which the operation takes place is of particular interest to family planning officials (see Table 4.10). Overall, age at sterilization has remained about the same in Jordan; the median age for women under 40 years of age is 35 years. ${ }^{5}$ Women who were sterilized when they were less than 30 years of age are more likely to have had the operation performed in the distant past; older women ( 40 years and over) tend to have had the operation more recently.

[^4]
## Table 4.10 Timing of sterilization

Percent distribution of sterilized women by age at the time of sterilization, according to the number of years since the operation, Jordan 1990

| Years since operation | Age at time of operation |  |  |  |  |  | Total | Number of women | $\begin{gathered} \text { Median } \\ \text { age }^{1} \end{gathered}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $<25$ | 25-29 | 30-34 | 35-39 | 40.44 | 45-49 |  |  |  |
| $<2$ | 1.4 | 6.8 | 10.6 | 46.2 | 27.7 | 7.3 | 100.0 | 74 | 36.4 |
| 2-3 | 0.7 | 6.2 | 26.6 | 41.8 | 21.6 | 3.1 | 100.0 | 76 | 35.5 |
| 4-5 | 0.0 | 4.7 | 21.3 | 44.6 | 29.4 | -- | 100.0 | 56 | 36.0 |
| 6-7 | 1.8 | 12.3 | 15.5 | 53.0 | 17.4 | -- | 100.0 | 53 | 36.1 |
| 8-9 | 5.5 | 10.0 | 36.9 | 43.4 | 4.2 | -- | 100.0 | 40 | 34.8 |
| 10+ | 2.2 | 20.9 | 59.4 | 17.5 | -- | -- | 100.0 | 57 | 32.0 |
| Total | 1.7 | 9.8 | 27.3 | 41.1 | 18.0 | 2.2 | 100.0 | 356 | 35.1 |

-- Less than 0.05 percent
${ }^{1}$ Median age was calculated only for women less than 40 years of age to avoid problems of censoring.

### 4.8 SOURCE OF SUPPLY FOR MODERN METHODS

In addition to information about the level of contraceptive use, program officials need to know where users obtain their methods. The JPFHS included a question for current users of modern methods about the source of their method. Family planning clinics and private doctors predominate as the sources of supply for modem contraceptive methods (see Table 4.11 and Figure 4.5). Together, they serve half of current users. This contrasts with 1983, when private doctors served 35 percent of current users (Department of Statistics, 1984b). Over the same period, family planning clinics gained in popularity, increasing fivefold from 6 percent in 1983 to 30 percent in 1990.

Pharmacies are the primary source for users of methods which require resupply, including the pill ( 64 percent), vaginal methods ( 71 percent), and condoms ( 61 percent). Family planning clinics provide services for half of IUD users ( 49 percent). Government hospitals are the source for most female sterilizations ( 73 percent).

Table 4.11 Source of supply for modern contraceptive methods
Percent distribution of current users of modern contraceptive mathods by most recent source of supply or information, according to specific methods, Jordan 1990

| Source of supply or information | Pill | IUD | Vaginal methods | Condom | Female sterilization | All modern methods |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Government hospital | 4.8 | 2.6 | 8.4 | -- | 73.0 | 18.2 |
| MCH/Health center | 3.7 | 8.9 | -- | 13.0 | 0.5 | 6.1 |
| Pamily planning clinic | 9.4 | 48.9 | 3.4 | 24.3 | .- | 30.1 |
| Private doctor | 13.8 | 30.6 | 17.5 | 2.3 | 1.6 | 20.4 |
| Private hospital | 2.2 | 5.9 | -- | -- | 24.9 | 9.0 |
| Pharmacy | 64.0 | 1.1 | 70.6 | 60.5 | -- | 14.7 |
| Friends/relatives | 0.4 | -- | -- | -- | -- | 0.1 |
| Other | 0.8 | 2.0 | -- | -- | -- | 1.2 |
| Don't know | 1.0 | -- | $\cdots$ | -- | -- | 0.2 |
| Total | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Number | 285 | 942 | (34) | (47) | 356 | 1666 |

Note: Figures in parentheses are based on fewer than 50 cases.
-- Less than 0.05 percent
${ }^{1}$ Includes users of injection and male sterilization.

Figure 4.5
Sources of Family Planning Methods Current Users of Modern Methods


### 4.9 TIME TO SOURCE FOR MODERN FAMILY PLANNING METHODS

Current users of modern contraceptive methods were asked how much time (minutes) was required to get from their home to the place where they obtained their method. The same question was asked of women who were not using a modern method, and of all women who knew a contraceptive method (with reference to the place they would go if they wanted to obtain a modern method). The median time to a source for modern methods was 16 minutes; this was the same for all three subgroups (see Table 4.12). Rural women live 15 minutes farther from a source than women in large cities. Among users of modern methods, 56 percent live less than 30 minutes from their source of supply, and another 25 percent are 30 to 59 minutes from a source. For women who are not using a modern method and women who know a method, the proportion in each time category is slightly smaller.

Table 4.12 Time to source of supply for modern contraceptive methods
Percent distribution of women who are currently using a modern contraceptive method, of women who are not using a modem contraceptive method, and of women who know a method, by time to reach a source of supply, according to urbanrural residence, Jordan 1990

|  | Women who are currently using a modern method |  |  |  | Women who are not using a modern method |  |  |  | Women who know a contraceptive method |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Minutes to source | Large city | Other urban | Rural | Total | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Large } \\ & \text { city } \end{aligned}$ | Other urban | Rural | Total | Large city | Other urban | Rural | Total |
| 0-14 | 31.2 | 22.7 | 13.9 | 25.6 | 10.1 | 10.2 | 9.1 | 9.8 | 16.9 | 13.4 | 9.9 | 13.9 |
| 15-29 | 36.4 | 27.5 | 16.2 | 30.2 | 15.7 | 11.5 | 10.0 | 12.6 | 22.4 | 15.6 | 11.1 | 17.2 |
| 30-59 | 21.0 | 27.2 | 32.0 | 24.9 | 8.5 | 10.7 | 9.8 | 9.6 | 12.6 | 14.9 | 13.4 | 13.6 |
| 60+ | 7.5 | 16.6 | 28.9 | 14.0 | 2.9 | 4.2 | 7.4 | 4.7 | 4.4 | 7.3 | 11.0 | 7.1 |
| Don't know time | 3.9 | 5.9 | 9.0 | 5.4 | 1.4 | 2.0 | 3.2 | 2.2 | 2.2 | 3.0 | 4.2 | 3.0 |
| Don't know source | -- | -- | -- | -- | 13.8 | 19.1 | 23.8 | 18.5 | 9.2 | 14.2 | 19.6 | 13.6 |
| Not stated | -- | -- | -- | -- | 2.4 | 2.8 | 1.8 | 2.4 | 1.6 | 2.1 | 1.5 | 1.8 |
| Users of traditional methods | NA | NA | NA | NA | 45.2 | 39.5 | 34.7 | 40.2 | 30.7 | 29.4 | 29.2 | 29.9 |
| Total percentage | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Number | 847 | 544 | 275 | 1666 | 1788 | 1589 | 1418 | 4795 | 2631 | 2132 | 1687 | 6451 |
| Median | 15.6 | 20.7 | 30.8 | 16.0 | 15.6 | 15.9 | 30.3 | 15.9 | 15.6 | 20.1 | 30.4 | 15.9 |

-- Less than 0.05 percent
NA = Not applicable

### 4.10 CONTRACEPTIVE DISCONTINUATION

A key concern of family planning officials is the extent to which women discontinue use of contraceptive methods, and their reasons for doing so. Life table discontinuation rates based on information collected in the calendar are presented in Table 4.13. Discontinuation rates were calculated for each method based onuse during the first twelve months after beginning the inethod. The reasons for discontinuation were examined, and classified into three main categones: method failure, desire to become pregnant, and other reasons including problems related to the use of a particular method, husband's disapproval, and absence of need to use a family planning method.

## Table 4.13 First-year discontinuation rates for contraception

Proportion of contraceptive users who discontinued use of a method by 12 months after beginning the method, due to method failure, desire to become pregnant, or other reason, by specific methods, Jordan 1990

| Contraceptive method | Reason for discontinuing use of contraceptive method |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Method failure | Desire to become pregnant | Side effects and health concerns | Other reason | Total |
| Pill | 8.1 | 10.5 | 30.0 | 14.6 | 63.2 |
| IUD | 2.4 | 4.3 | 11.0 | 3.1 | 20.7 |
| Vaginal methods | 31.6 | 5.4 | 16.5 | 21.8 | 75.3 |
| Condom | 12.2 | 8.9 | 12.0 | 30.5 | 63.6 |
| Periodic abstinence | 29.9 | 11.3 | 1.9 | 12.4 | 55.6 |
| Withdrawal | 19.4 | 9.4 | 2.5 | 23.0 | 54.3 |
| Prolonged breasteeding | 19.4 | 4.3 | 0.7 | 18.0 | 42.4 |
| Total | 13.3 | 7.0 | 10.7 | 13.0 | 44.0 |

Note: Figures are based on life-table calculations.

Thirteen percent of users stopped using before the end of the first year because the method failed to protect them from pregnancy; 7 percent said they stopped because they wanted to become pregnant; and 11 percent stopped because of side effects and health concerns. ${ }^{6}$ First-year discontinuation rates due to method failure are highest for vaginal methods and traditional methods. Three in ten women who used a diaphragm, foam or jelly and 30 percent of women who used periodic abstinence got pregnant while using the method.

Table 4.14 provides information about women's reasons for discontinuing contraceptive use. The table includes all discontinuatons in the five years before the survey regardless of whether they occurred during the first twelve months of use or later. Method failure is the reason given most frequently for discontinuation ( 27 percent), followed by desire to get pregnant ( 22 percent), and side effects ( 17 percent). It should be noted that 16 percent of women did not give a definite answer to this question. Discontinuation due to method failure is particularly high for traditional methods: periodic abstinence ( 52 percent), prolonged breastfeeding ( 40 percent) and withdrawal ( 37 percent). For modern methods, method failure was the main reason given for discontinuation of vaginal methods ( 38 percent) and condoms ( 28 percent), both coitusdependent methods.

[^5]Table 4.14 Reasons for discontinuation of contraception
Percent distribution of discontinuations of contraceptive methods in the five years preceding the survey by main reason for discontinuation, according to specific methods, Jordan 1990

| Reason for disconlinuation | Modem method discontinued |  |  |  | Traditional method discontinued |  |  | All methods ${ }^{1}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Pill | IUD | Vaginal methods | Condom | Periodic abstinence | Withdrawal | Prolonged breastfeeding |  |
| Became pregnant | 13.1 | 11.3 | 37.5 | 27.5 | 51.5 | 36.7 | 40.1 | 27.0 |
| To become pregnant | 22.0 | 29.0 | 11.3 | 15.7 | 23.2 | 20.1 | 15.8 | 21.6 |
| Husband disapproved | 0.9 | 0.7 | 2.5 | 11.4 | 4.4 | 8.3 | 0.5 | 2.3 |
| Side effects | 35.5 | 30.3 | 17.3 | 7.7 | 1.1 | 2.5 | 0.7 | 17.2 |
| Health concerns | 7.1 | 6.8 | 4.1 | 5.8 | 3.1 | 2.8 | 1.0 | 4.6 |
| Access/availability | 0.5 | -- | 0.9 | -- | -- | -- | 0.3 | 0.7 |
| More effective method | 1.6 | 1.3 | 3.2 | 6.9 | 5.6 | 9.0 | 11.4 | 5.2 |
| Inconvenient to use | 1.9 | 2.0 | 4.0 | 8.2 | 1.4 | 3.5 | 0.6 | 2.0 |
| Infrequent sex | 4.8 | 1.5 | 2.7 | 1.6 | 1.4 | 2.5 | 0.1 | 2.1 |
| Fatalistic | 0.1 | -- | -. | -- | -- | -- | 0.4 | 0.1 |
| Menopause | 0.7 | 0.5 | 1.7 | -- | 0.6 | 0.8 | 0.5 | 0.7 |
| Marital dissolution | 0.7 | 0.5 | -- | 0.9 | 0.1 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.3 |
| Other | 10.7 | 16.1 | 14.0 | 14.3 | 7.3 | 12.0 | 28.1 | 15.6 |
| Don't know | -- | 0.1 | 0.8 | -- | 0.2 | 0.5 | 0.2 | 0.1 |
| Missing | 0.4 | 0.2 | -- | -- | 0.2 | 1.0 | 0.2 | 0.3 |
| Total | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Number | 1211 | 1160 | 162 | 124 | 615 | 522 | 1067 | 4923 |

-- Less than 0.05 percent
${ }^{1}$ Total includes 10 discontinuations of injection and other traditional methods.

### 4.11 FUTURE USE OF FAMILY PLANNING

To obtain information about potential demand for family planning services, all currently married women who were not using contraception at the time of the survey were asked about their interest in adopting family planning in the future. Those who responded in the affirmative were also asked which method they would prefer to use, and whether they intended to use this method in the next 12 months.

Table 4.15 presents the distribution of currently married women who were not using contraception, by intention to use in the future, according to number of living children. Forty-one percent of nonusers say that they intend to use family planning in the future, most of them within the next 12 months. About the same proportion of nonusers say they do not intend to use in the future ( 43 percent). Those who intend to use a method in the future are more likely to have used in the past than to have never used a method. Those who had never used contraception are more likely to be unsure about their intentions. Among women who had no experience in using family planning, one in five was unsure about using a family planning method in the future.

| 15 Future use of contra |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Percent distribution of currently married women who are not using a contraceptive method by past experience with contraception and intention to use in the future, according to number of living children, Jordan 1990 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Past experience | Number of living children ${ }^{1}$ |  |  |  |  | Total |
| and future intentions | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4+ |  |
| Never used contraception |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Intend to use in next 12 months | 1.7 | 19.2 | 16.3 | 12.5 | 6.3 | 9.4 |
| Intend to use later | 24.4 | 20.7 | 10.9 | 4.7 | 3.0 | 8.5 |
| Unsure as to intention | 24.5 | 21.2 | 9.1 | 10.5 | 6.3 | 10.9 |
| Does not intend use | 47.1 | 28.2 | 28.9 | 21.8 | 28.5 | 29.6 |
| Missing/Not in union | 0.5 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.1 |
| Previously used contraception |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Intend to use in next 12 months | 0.3 | 2.2 | 14.1 | 23.5 | 22.2 | 16.6 |
| Intend to use later | 0.3 | 4.6 | 11.5 | 9.9 | 6.2 | 6.4 |
| Unsure as to intention | 0.3 | 1.9 | 4.1 | 8.7 | 6.4 | 5.2 |
| Does not intend use | 0.9 | 1.9 | 5.1 | 8.3 | 20.8 | 13.2 |
| Missing/Not in union | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.1 |
| Total | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Currently marrled nonusers |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Intend to use in next 12 months | 2.0 | 21.4 | 30.3 | 36.0 | 28.6 | 26.0 |
| Intend to use later | 24.7 | 25.3 | 22.4 | 14.6 | 9.2 | 14.9 |
| Unsure as to intention | 24.8 | 23.1 | 13.2 | 19.3 | 12.7 | 16.1 |
| Does not intend use | 48.0 | 30.1 | 34.1 | 30.2 | 49.3 | 42.8 |
| Missing/Not in union | 0.5 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.2 |
| Total | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Number | 363 | 503 | 407 | 396 | 2035 | 3704 |
| ${ }^{1}$ Includes current pregnancy |  |  |  |  |  |  |

Intention to use contraception in the future has a strong positive association with the number of living children the woman has (see Table 4.15); women with more children are more likely to want to use contraception in the future than those with fewer children. More than half of women with two or three children say they intend to use a method of family planning, compared to 27 percent of childless women.

The reasons women do not use family planning are of particular interest to family planning program officials. Table 4.16 gives the distribution of women who are not using contraception by their reason for not using. The primary reason given has to do with infecundity: 28 percent of women say it is difficult to get pregnant. The next most common reason for not using is the desire to get pregnant: 21 percent of nonusers say they are not using because they want to have children. Other reasons mentioned are husband's disapproval ( 7 percent), health concerm ( 7 percent), religion ( 7 percent), and a fatalistic view ( 6 percent). An additional 8 percent mention menopause, hysterectomy and infrequent sex.

| Table 4.16 Reasons for not using contraception |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Percent distribution of women who are not using a contraceptive method and who do not intend to use in the future by main reason for not using, according to age, Jordan 1990 |  |  |  |
|  | Age |  | Total |
| contraception | 15-29 | 30-49 |  |
| Wants children | 39.2 | 12.2 | 20.8 |
| Lack of knowledge | 0.8 | 1.7 | 1.4 |
| Husband opposed | 12.1 | 4.4 | 6.9 |
| Cost too much | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.1 |
| Side effects | 4.5 | 4.3 | 4.3 |
| Health concerns | 7.7 | 6.3 | 6.7 |
| Religion | 8.0 | 5.7 | 6.5 |
| Opposed to family planning | 0.4 | 0.8 | 0.7 |
| Fatalistic | 6.3 | 6.4 | 6.4 |
| Other people opposed | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.1 |
| Infrequent sex | 0.7 | 2.3 | 1.8 |
| Difficult to be pregnant | 12.4 | 35.5 | 28.2 |
| Menopausal, had hysterectomy | 0.2 | 9.4 | 6.5 |
| Inconvenient | 0.3 | 0.9 | 0.7 |
| Other | 2.4 | 6.5 | 5.2 |
| Don't know | 4.9 | 3.5 | 3.9 |
| Total | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Number of women | 508 | 1087 | 1595 |

Women under 30 are more likely than older women to mention the desire to have children, while difficulty in becoming pregnant is more often reported by older women. Husband's disapproval is mentioned more often by younger women than women 30 and over. As expected, hysterectomy and menopause are cited exclusively by older women.

Method preferences among women not using a contraceptive method at the time of the survey but who intend to use a family planning method in the future are shown in Table 4.17. The majority of women ( 74 percent) say they want to use a modem method of contraception; only 14 percent want to use a traditional method. Half of the women who intend to use contraception say they want to use the IUD. (Among currently married women, use of the IUD has increased from 8 percent in 1983 to 15 percent in 1990). After the IUD, the most popular methods are the pill ( 17 percent) and female sterilization (7 percent). Method preferences are almost identical for women who intend to use contraception in the next 12 months and for those who intend to use after 12 months.

Some programmatic implications can be drawn from the data in Table 4.17. Because of the popularity of the IUD, pill, and female sterilization, a number of issues need to be considered in anticipation of women carrying out their intentions to use these methods. First, the pill supply must be adequate to meet the needs of women who want to use this method; second, for women who want to use the IUD or female sterilization, trained personnel must be available to provide these services.

| Table 4.17 Preferred method of contraception for future use |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Percent distribution of currently married women who are not using a contraceptive method but who intend to use in the future by preferred method, according to whether they intend to use in the next 12 months or later, Jordan 1990 |  |  |  |
|  | 1ntend to use |  |  |
| Preferred method of contraception | In next 12 <br> months | After 12 months | Total |
| Pill | 17.4 | 16.4 | 17.0 |
| IUD | 47.9 | 46.7 | 47.4 |
| Injection | 0.7 | 1.0 | 0.8 |
| Vaginal methods | 1.3 | 1.0 | 1.2 |
| Condom | 1.1 | 0.3 | 0.8 |
| Female sterilization | 7.9 | 4.0 | 6.5 |
| Periodic abstinence | 6.0 | 5.7 | 5.9 |
| Withdrawal | 2.7 | 3.6 | 3.0 |
| Other | 0.4 | 0.7 | 0.5 |
| Prolonged breastfeeding | 4.2 | 4.7 | 4.4 |
| Missing | 10.4 | 16.0 | 12.4 |
| Total | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Number | 963 | 553 | 1516 |

### 4.12 ACCEPTABILITY OF MEDIA MESSAGES ON FAMILY PLANNING

All ever-married women were asked if it was acceptable to them to have family planning messages on radio or television. The objective of the question was to examine the level of popular support for family planning education and advertising on mass media. The results indicate that overall, 84 percent of evermarried women consider it acceptable for mass media to carry programs on family planning issues (see Table 4.18). Although acceptance is generally greater among younger than older women, when urban-rural differentials are considered, age differences are minimal. Younger women in urban areas are only slightly more likely than younger women in rural areas to favor family planning messages on mass media. The popularity of family planning information on radio and television varies across regions. It is highest in Balqa and Amman, and lowest in the South.

Education is closely associated with acceptance of family planning messages. The popularity of family planning messages is uniformly high among women who have attended secondary or highereducation (more than 88 percent). ${ }^{7}$ Among women who have no schooling and those who have attended only primary school, older women are more likely to consider family planning messages acceptable than younger women.

[^6]Table 4.18 Acceptability of the use of mass media for disseminating family plarning messages
Percentage of women who believe that it is acceptable to have messages about family planning on radio or television, by age and selected background characteristics, Jordan 1990

| Background characteristic | Age of woman |  |  |  |  |  |  | Total |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 15-19 | 20-24 | 25-29 | 30-34 | 35-39 | 40-44 | 45-49 |  |
| Resldence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Large cities | 84.3 | 86.4 | 88.5 | 85.4 | 87.4 | 84.6 | 86.3 | 86.4 |
| Other Urban | 92.9 | 86.7 | 86.5 | 85.9 | 83.5 | 80.7 | 78.3 | 84.7 |
| Rural | 82.8 | 84.1 | 85.4 | 83.2 | 78.5 | 74.8 | 72.3 | 80.7 |
| Region |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Amman | 92.2 | 90.8 | 90.7 | 88.8 | 87.4 | 87.8 | 86.4 | 89.0 |
| Zarqa + Mafraq | 75.8 | 83.1 | 83.8 | 83.2 | 75.1 | 74.9 | 78.3 | 80.1 |
| Irbid | 87.9 | 83.4 | 86.0 | 80.8 | 83.3 | 74.3 | 70.7 | 81.1 |
| Balqa | 93.5 | 89.3 | 92.7 | 92.9 | 93.8 | 92.8 | 92.9 | 92.6 |
| South | 83.8 | 78.1 | 78.9 | 79.3 | 76.1 | 71.7 | 69.2 | 76.9 |
| Education level attended |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| No education | 58.0 | 74.5 | 68.6 | 76.2 | 73.7 | 74.4 | 77.1 | 74.7 |
| Primary | 77.0 | 77.9 | 90.0 | 85.5 | 83.2 | 81.5 | 84.1 | 83.9 |
| Secondary | 90.1 | 87.7 | 88.6 | 86.5 | 91.4 | 92.8 | 91.3 | 88.8 |
| More than secondary | 89.1 | 88.9 | 88.3 | 89.0 | 90.3 | 86.1 | 75.9 | 88.4 |
| Total | 86.9 | 85.9 | 87.0 | 85.0 | 83.6 | 80.8 | 80.3 | 84.4 |

## CHAPTER 5

## NUPTIALITY AND EXPOSURE TO THE RISK OF PREGNANCY

This chapter addresses the principal factors, other than contraception, which affect a woman's risk of becoming pregnant, namely nuptiality, postpartum amenorrhea, and secondary infertility. The Jordan Population and Family Health Survey (JPFHS) questionnaire differs from the standard DHS questionnaire in that direct questions on recent sexual activity were not included due to the difficulty in addressing these questionsto women. Information on sexual activity was replaced with proxy questions involving information on whether the respondent's husband lives in the same household and the amount of time he spent in the household during the month preceding the survey.

The subject of nuptiality is of particular interest because marriage is a primary indicator of the exposure of women to the risk of pregnancy. Information about marriage patterns is important for an understanding of fertility. Early age at first marriage is associated with early childbearing and high fertility. In this survey and in all data collection in Jordan, the term marriage refers to a legal or formal union.

### 5.1 CURRENT MARITAL STATUS

Table 5.1 compares the data for ever-married women from the 1976 Jordan Fertility Survey (JFS), 1983 Jordan Fertility and Family Health Survey (JFFHS), and the 1990 Jordan Population and Family Health Survey (JPFHS). In the 14 years between 1976 and 1990, the percentage of women ever married decreased from 66 to 56 percent, a drop of 15 percent. However, the decline appears to have occurred in the first 7 years, since the percentages are the same for 1983 and 1990.

In Jordan, marriage is almost universal. By the end of the reproductive years, only 2 percent of women have never entered into marriage (see Figure 5.1). In 1976, less than 5 percent of women age $30-34$ had never been married, while in 199011 percent of women in that age group were still single. Likewise, for women in younger age groups, the percentage who have never been married is lower in 1976 than in 1990. These figures indicate that women are marrying at older ages than in the past. The data indicate that the decline is not smooth, suggesting that most of the increase in age at marriage took place between 1976 and 1983.

Table 5.1 Ever-married women according to selected surveys

Percentage of women $15-49$ who have ever married by age, Jordan, 1976, 1983 and 1990

|  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Age group | JFS | JFFHS | JPFHS |
|  |  |  |  |
|  | 1983 | 1990 |  |
| $15-19$ | 64.1 | 9.4 | 10.6 |
| $20-24$ | 87.4 | 76.3 | 45.2 |
| $25-29$ | 95.3 | 90.1 | 89.7 |
| $30-34$ | 92.4 | 94.9 | 94.6 |
| $35-39$ | 98.0 | 96.8 | 97.3 |
| $40-44$ | 98.3 | 97.1 | 98.0 |
| $45-49$ | 65.7 | 56.0 | 56.2 |
|  |  |  |  |



Table 5.2 presents the distribution of women by current marital status. Of the 11,499 women age 15 49 listed in the household schedule, 44 percent had never married, 54 percent were currently married, and the remaining 3 percent were either divorced, widowed or separated. The percentage of women 15-49 who were married in 1976 and 1983 was 63 percent and 53 percent respectively.

Table 5.2 Cunnent marital status
Percent distribution of women by current marital status, according to age, Jordan 1990

| Age | Marital status |  |  |  |  |  | Number of women |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Never married | Married | Divorced | Widowed | Not living together | Total |  |
| 15-19 | 89.4 | 10.4 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 3394 |
| 20-24 | 54.8 | 44.5 | 0.4 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 2374 |
| 25-29 | 26.3 | 71.2 | 1.9 | 0.4 | 0.2 | 100.0 | 1781 |
| 30.34 | 10.9 | 86.0 | 1.5 | 1.4 | 0.2 | 100.0 | 1277 |
| 35-39 | 5.4 | 89.3 | 1.6 | 3.5 | 0.2 | 100.0 | 1014 |
| 40-44 | 2.7 | 90.8 | 1.3 | 5.2 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 890 |
| 45-49 | 2.0 | 88.3 | 0.8 | 8.7 | 0.2 | 100.0 | 770 |
| Total | 43.8 | 53.6 | 0.9 | 1.6 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 11499 |

The proportion currently married increases steadily from 10 percent among women 15-19 to 91 percent among those 40-44, then declines slightly to 88 percent for women in the oldest age group. As expected, the proportion widowed increases with age, reaching 9 percent for women age 45-49. The percentage of divorced women is extremely low, less than 2 percent of women in all age groups.

### 5.2 MARITAL EXPOSURE

Table 5.3 presents marital exposure to the risk of pregnancy, as measured by the percentage of time the woman has been in marital union. Since the table is based on information collected in the calendar, exposure time is limited to the five years preceding the survey.

## Table 5.3 Marital exposure

Percentage of time spent in marital union in the five years preceding the survey, by age and selected background characteristics, Jordan 1990

| Background characteristic | Age at time of survey |  |  |  |  |  |  | Total |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 15-19 | 20-24 | 25-29 | 30-34 | 35-39 | 40-44 | 45-49 |  |
| Resldence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Large citics | 3.7 | 29.3 | 60.1 | 81.5 | 88.2 | 91.9 | 89.8 | 47.0 |
| Other Urban | 3.3 | 27.2 | 63.7 | 86.6 | 91.5 | 88.6 | 89.8 | 45.3 |
| Rural | 3.6 | 30.9 | 74.7 | 87.7 | 88.9 | 95.5 | 88.9 | 51.4 |
| Region |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Amman | 3.2 | 28.9 | 61.4 | 81.4 | 89.5 | 92.3 | 91.5 | 45.3 |
| Zarga + Mafraq | 3.8 | 29.9 | 67.1 | 88.5 | 89.5 | 90.8 | 87.6 | 47.9 |
| Iftid | 3.4 | 28.0 | 66.4 | 81.0 | 88.2 | 91.8 | 87.9 | 46.1 |
| Balqa | 3.9 | 26.1 | 65.1 | 86.8 | 85.5 | 89.8 | 88.3 | 53.8 |
| South | 6.7 | 32.7 | 69.8 | 93.5 | 96.1 | 92.4 | 91.4 | 57.7 |
| Education level attended |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| No Education | 6.2 | 50.3 | 76.0 | 85.5 | 89.3 | 94.0 | 90.1 | 82.9 |
| Primary | 6.2 | 42.8 | 74.1 | 87.6 | 91.0 | 91.8 | 87.4 | 68.4 |
| Secondary | 3.1 | 35.0 | 70.8 | 88.9 | 90.9 | 92.1 | 91.9 | 35.1 |
| More than secondary | 1.0 | 8.5 | 43.4 | 71.1 | 82.1 | 69.8 | 88.6 | 30.2 |
| Total | 3.5 | 29.1 | 65.2 | 84.9 | 89.6 | 91.7 | 89.5 | 47.6 |

Overall, women in Jordan spent 48 percent of the five years preceding the survey in marital union. This figure varies by age; younger women spent less time in marriage than older women, because a large proportion have not yet married. Women age $30-49$ spent almost the entire five-year period in marital union, indicating that divorce is uncommon in Jordan. The lower percentage of exposure for women age $45-49$ is due to widowhood.

Data in the same table show that there is little variation between women living in urban and rural areas, and by governorate. However, wide variation is found by educational attainment. Until age 30, women who have higher education spend much less time in marital union than women with less schooling or no schooling. The difference is sharpest for women 20-24, the age at which many women are recently married.

While women who had no formal schooling spent 50 percent of the five years preceding the survey in marital union, the proportion is 9 percent for women with higher education. The difference due to the fact that women with higher education marry later than women with no education. As a result, educated women are exposed to the risk of pregnancy for a shorter length of time than women with no education.

### 5.3 AGE AT FIRST MARRIAGE

In Jordan, almost all births occur within marriage; thus, age at first marriage is an important indicator of exposure to the risk of pregnancy and childbirth. The Jordan Family Rights Law of 1976 sets the minimum age at marriage for males at 18 years, and for females 16 years.

Table 5.4 shows the percentage of women who have ever married by specified ages and the median age at first marriage according to their age at the time of the survey. Comparing percentages across age groups, the data indicate increasing age at first marriage. For example, among women 20-24 years, 2 percent were married by age 15,16 percent by age 18 , and 30 percent by their twentieth birthday. For women $25-29$, the percentages at each specific age are all higher than those for the younger women. Older women married at even younger ages, as demonstrated by the higher proportion of women married by each specific age.

## Table 5.4 Age at first marriage

Percentage of women who were first married by exact age $15,18,20,22$ and 25 , and median age at first marriage, according to current age, Jordan 1990

| Current age | Percentage of women who were first married by exact age: |  |  |  |  | Percentage who were never married | Number of women | Median age at first marriage |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 15 | 18 | 20 | 22 | 25 |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 1.1 | NA | NA | NA | NA | 89.4 | 3394.0 | a |
| 20-24 | 2.1 | 16.4 | 29.7 | NA | NA | 54.8 | 2374.0 | a |
| 25-29 | 4.9 | 26.3 | 42.2 | 54.8 | 69.0 | 26.3 | 1781.0 | 21.2 |
| 30-34 | 8.4 | 36.8 | 52.0 | 67.8 | 80.2 | 10.9 | 1277.0 | 19.7 |
| 35-39 | 9.3 | 42.8 | 61.1 | 72.6 | 85.1 | 5.4 | 1014.0 | 18.8 |
| 40-44 | 10.4 | 39.8 | 62.1 | 77.4 | 89.5 | 2.7 | 890.0 | 18.9 |
| 45-49 | 11.4 | 36.9 | 62.6 | 76.4 | 89.4 | 2.0 | 770.0 | 18.9 |
| 20-49 | 6.4 | 29.6 | 46.6 | 59.4 | 70.0 | 24.7 | 8105.0 | a |
| 25-49 | 8.2 | 35.1 | 53.6 | 67.3 | 80.3 | 12.2 | 5731.0 | 19.6 |

NA $=$ Not applicable
${ }^{2}$ Omitted because less than 50 percent of women in the age group have been married.

The last column in Table 5.4 provides further indication of later marriage among younger women. While the median age at first marriage-i.e., the age by which half of the women have married-is similar for women age 35 and over, younger women are marrying at older ages. Half of women age 25-29 marry after age 21, and overall, the median age at first marriage has increased from about 19 to 21 years.

There is little variation in age at first marriage by residence and region (see Table 5.5). Women marry at about the same age in all groups, although urban women and women in Balqa marry at slightly older ages than rural women and women in other govemorates.

While there are only minor differentials in median age at first marriage by residence and region, education plays an important role in determining women's entry into marriage. The improvement of educational opportunities, particularly for girls, has resulted in their staying in school longer, and subsequently pushed the age at first marriage upward. Women who have attended more than secondary education tend to marry almost 6 years later than those with no education or primary education. Women who have attended primary education marry younger than women who have no formal schooling because they are more favored by potential husbands than illiterate women.

Table 5.5 Median age at first marriage
Median age at first marriage among women age 25-49 years, by current age and selected background characteristics, Jordan 1990

| Background characteristic | Current age |  |  |  |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { Women } \\ \text { age } \\ 25-49 \end{gathered}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 25-29 | 30-34 | 35-39 | 40-44 | 45-49 |  |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Large cities | 21.5 | 20.0 | 18.8 | 19.2 | 18.6 | 19.8 |
| Orher Urban | 21.4 | 19.5 | 18.5 | 18.6 | 19.1 | 19.5 |
| Rural | 20.7 | 19.3 | 19.0 | 18.9 | 19.3 | 19.5 |
| Region |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Amman | 21.4 | 19.9 | 18.5 | 18.8 | 18.6 | 19.5 |
| Zarqa + Mafraq | 21.1 | 19.1 | 19.0 | 18.8 | 19.3 | 19.6 |
| Irbid | 21.2 | 19.6 | 18.7 | 19.2 | 19.5 | 19.6 |
| Balqa | 20.4 | 20.3 | 20.1 | 19.4 | 19.5 | 19.9 |
| South | 21.7 | 19.8 | 17.9 | 18.6 | 18.0 | 19.5 |
| Education level attended |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| No education | 19.1 | 18.6 | 18.0 | 18.4 | 18.8 | 18.6 |
| Primary | 19.4 | 17.5 | 17.9 | 18.3 | 18.4 | 18.2 |
| Secondary | 20.6 | 19.5 | 19.2 | 20.8 | 20.3 | 20.0 |
| More than secondary | 24.1 | 24.0 | 24.4 | 22.0 | 24.1 | 24.1 |
| Total | 21.2 | 19.7 | 18.8 | 18.9 | 18.9 | 19.6 |

Note: The medians for cohorts $15-19$ and 20-24 could not be determined because less than 50 percent of the women in each cohort have been married.

### 5.4 POSTPARTUM AMENORRHEA, POSTPARTUM ABSTINENCE, AND INSUSCEPTIBILITY

The risk of pregnancy is affected by several factors other than marriage patterns. Women have little risk of becoming pregnant during the period after childbirth when menstruation has not yet returned (postpartum amenorrhea) and in the period when sexual activity has not been resumed (postpartum abstinence). The duration of amenorrhea is directly related to breastfeeding; the longer the woman breastfeeds her child the longer she is likely to be amenortheic. Since breastfeeding is an important issue in childhood nutrition (see Chapter 9), only postpartum amenorthea and postpartum abstinence are considered in this section. Women are insusceptible when they are either amenorrheic or still abstaining following birth, or both, and thus not exposed to the risk of pregnancy. The estimates for postpartum amenorrhea, postpartum abstinence, and insusceptibility are based on current status measures, that is, the proportion of births occurring $x$ months before the survey for which the mothers are still amenorrheic, abstaining, or insusceptible at the time of the survey. The medians are calculated on the basis of current status proportions at each time period, and the data are grouped by two-month intervals for greater stability.

Table 5.6 presents the distributionof births in the 36 months preceding the survey by the postpartum status of the mothers. Seventeen percent of the mothers have not resumed menstruating, and 5 percent have not resumed sexual relations. Combining the two conditions, 17 percent of births were to women who are still insusceptible to the risk of pregnancy. The average duration of amenorrhea is about 7 months; the average duration of abstinence is about 3 months.

While 95 percent of births are to women who are still amenormeic 2 months after childbirth, between 2 and 3 months after birth the percentage drops to 63, and in the following 2 months it is reduced to less than half (44 percent). In Jordan, as in other Islamic societies, women observe a period of sexual abstinence after childbirth. Traditionally, the period of postpartum abstinence lasts 40 days. This practice appears to emerge in the JPFHS data. The mothers of 85 percent of the births occurring in the 2 months before the survey were still abstaining from sexual relations at the time of the survey. By the end of this period, 2-3 months following the birth, only 12 percent of mothers were still abstaining; the decline continues over the next 2 month period with only 1 percent of mothers abstaining.

Table 5.7 presents the median duration of postpartum amenorrhea ( 4 months), postpartum abstinence ( 2 months), and postpartum insusceptibility ( 4 months) by background characteristics. In regard to postpartum amenorrhea, younger women, women who live in urban areas, and those with the highest education levels have shorter durations than other women (see Figure 5.2). There is little variation in the median duration of postpartum abstinence by background characteristics. Insusceptibility, the combined effect of amenorthea and abstinence, shows a pattern similar to that of amenorthea. Comparing regions, women in Irbid have the longest durations of amenorthea and insusceptibility.

The level of education attended has both a positive and a negative effect on fertility. Age at first marriage increases with education, which tends to reduce fertility. At the same time, however, the duration of insusceptibility, which protects women from pregnancy decreases with education. The duration of insusceptibility among Jordanian women who have attended more than secondary education is about half that of women with no education ( 3 months compared to 5.4 months). The relationship between education and fertility warrants further investigation.

| Table 5.7 Median duration of postpartum insusceptibility |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Median number of months of postpartum amenorrhea, postpartum abstinence, and postpartum insusceptibility, by selected background characteristics, Jordan 1990 |  |  |  |  |
| Background characteristic | Postpartum amenorrhea | Postpartum abstinence | Postpartum insusceptibility | Number of births |
| Age |  |  |  |  |
| $<30$ | 3.8 | 1.9 | 4.0 | 2850 |
| 30+ | 4.6 | 1.9 | 4.8 | 2056 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |
| Large cities | 3.7 | 2.1 | 3.8 | 1824 |
| Oher Urban | 4.0 | 1.8 | 4.2 | 1608 |
| Rural | 4.7 | 1.8 | 4.7 | 1474 |
| Region |  |  |  |  |
| Amman | 4.1 | 2.0 | 4.2 | 1768 |
| Zarqa + Mafraq | 3.7 | 2.0 | 3.9 | 979 |
| Irbid | 4.9 | 1.7 | 4.9 | 1297 |
| Balqa | 3.2 | 2.1 | 3.4 | 329 |
| South | 4.2 | 1.6 | 4.3 | 533 |
| Education level attended |  |  |  |  |
| No education | 5.3 | 1.9 | 5.4 | 850 |
| Primary | 4.3 | 1.7 | 4.3 | 992 |
| Secondary | 4.1 | 1.9 | 4.3 | 2441 |
| More than secondary | 3.0 | 2.0 | 3.0 | 622 |
| Total | 4.1 | 1.9 | 4.2 | 4905 |
| Note: Medians are based on current status. |  |  |  |  |

Figure 5.2
Median Duration of Postpartum Amenorrhea, Abstinence, and Insusceptibility


### 5.5 TERMINATION OF EXPOSURE

The termination of women's exposure to the risk of childbearing is an important aspect of fertility. Two indicators of termination of exposure are menopause and terminal infertility (see Table 5.8). Menopause is defined as the absence of a menstrual period in the six months preceding the survey. A woman is considered to have terminal infertility if she did not give birth during the five years preceding the survey in the absence of contraceptive use.

The percentage of women who are menopausal increases gradually from age 30. At age 40-41, only 3 percent of women have reached menopause; by age 44-45 the percentage increases to 7 , and at the end of the reproductive years (age 48-49) 14 percent of women are menopausal and no longer exposed to the risk of pregnancy. Terminal infertility shows a similar patterm; infertility increases with age, starting at 17 percent for age 30-34, and reaching 84 percent for women at age 48-49.

Table 5.8 Termination of exposure to the risk of pregnancy

Indicators of menopause, terminal infertility and long-term abstinence among currently married women age $30-49$, by age, Jordan 1990

| Age | Menopause $^{1}$ | Terminal <br> infertility |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| $30-34$ | 1.2 | 17.3 |
| $35-39$ | 1.3 | 27.7 |
| $40-41$ | 3.3 | 33.2 |
| $42-43$ | 3.7 | 55.7 |
| $44-45$ | 6.9 | 75.1 |
| $46-47$ | 9.6 | 78.7 |
| $48-49$ | 13.9 | 83.8 |
| Total | 4.1 | 46.7 |

${ }^{1}$ Percentage of non-pregnant, nonamenorrheic currently married women whose last menstrual period occurred six or more monuhs preceding the survey or who report that they are menopausal.
${ }^{2}$ Percentage of women continuously married and not using contraception during the five years preceding the survey who did not have a birth during the period and who are not pregnant.

## CHAPTER 6

## FERTILITY PREFERENCES

This chapter addresses questions which allow an assessment of the need for contraception, and the extent of unwanted fertility. The information collected from the respondents includes whether they want more children; and if so, how long they would prefer to wait before the next child; and if they could stant afresh, how many children in all they would want. Two other issues are also examined-the extent to which unwanted and mistimed births occur and the effect that the prevention of such births would have on fertility rates.

Survey questions on fertility preferences have often been the subject of criticism. First, it is suggested that the answers respondents give are misleading because they reflect unformed, ephemeral views, which are held with little conviction. Critics also argue that the questions do not take into account the effects of social pressure or the attiudes of other family members, particularly the husband, who may exert considerable influence on the wife's reproductive decisions. The first objection is probably not relevant in Jordan, since family planning is widely used, presumably to realize fertility preferences. The second objection is correct in principle, although evidence from surveys in which both the husbands and wives are interviewed suggests that there are no significant differences between husbands and wives regarding fertility preferences.

Women who were pregnant at the time of the survey were asked if they wanted to have another child after the one they were expecting. Taking into account the way in which the preference variable is defined for pregnant women, a current pregnancy is treated as equivalent to a living child. Women who have been sterilized are classified as wanting no more children.

### 6.1 DESIRE FOR CHILDREN

Women's preferences concerning future childbearing serve as indicators of future fertility. However, for sterilized women and women who state that they are infecund (declared infecund), the desire for children remains only desire. Because their potential contribution to fertility has been curtailed, sterilized and infecund women have no impact on future fertility. The data on fertility preferences serve another purpose by providing information on the potential need for contraceptive services for spacing and limiting births.

About half ( 47 percent) of currently married women in Jordan do not want any more children, while two in five want to continue childbearing (see Table 6.1 and Figure 6.1). Large families are favored; more than half of women who have 3 children and a substantial proportion of those who have 4 or 5 children want to have more children (see Figure 6.2). About 11 percent of childless women declared themselves infecund, probably because they are nearing the end of their reproductive years.

Table 6.1 Fertility preferences by number of living children
Percent distribution of currently married women by desire for more children, according to number of living children, Jordan 1990

| Desire for more children | Number of living children ${ }^{1}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  | Total |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | $6+$ |  |
| Have another soon ${ }^{2}$ | 68.7 | 33.1 | 17.8 | 16.0 | 11.8 | 8.3 | 4.6 | 15.2 |
| Have another later ${ }^{3}$ | 14.0 | 55.9 | 52.8 | 41.2 | 27.8 | 17.8 | 8.1 | 24.8 |
| Have another, undecided when | 2.1 | 2.5 | 2.1 | 0.9 | 1.2 | 0.5 | 0.6 | 1.1 |
| Undecided | 2.1 | 0.8 | 1.5 | 2.3 | 1.9 | 2.9 | 2.2 | 2.0 |
| Want no more | 2.3 | 5.6 | 23.7 | 35.5 | 50.6 | 59.3 | 69.0 | 47.1 |
| Sterilized | -- | 0.2 | 0.5 | 2.2 | 3.4 | 8.1 | 10.0 | 5.6 |
| Declared infecund | 10.8 | 1.9 | 1.6 | 1.6 | 3.1 | 3.0 | 5.4 | 4.1 |
| Missing | -- | -- | -- | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.2 | -- | 0.1 |
| Total | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Number | 368 | 636 | 652 | 685 | 649 | 626 | 2553 | 6168 |

-- Less than 0.05 percent
${ }^{1}$ Includes current pregnancy
${ }^{2}$ Want next birth within two years
${ }^{3}$ Want to delay next birth two or more years

## Figure 6.1 Fertility Preferences Currently Married Women 15-49




Table 6.2 shows the distribution of women by desire for more children. The desire for more children decreases and the desire to stop childbearing increases as women increase in age. In the youngest age group, almost all women want to have more children, but by age 25-29 only 59 percent want more children. This proportion declines to 5 percent among women in the oldest age group. On the other hand, one in five women age $20-24$ say that they do not want to have another child. The proportion increases to 60 percent among women 30-34, and is 61 percent among women in the oldest age group. In this age group (women 45-49), one in three women are potentially unable to bear children because they are sterilized or say that they are infecund.

Differentials in the desire to stop having children are presented in Table 6.3. In general, women living in large cities and urban areas are slightly more likely to want to stop childbearing than rural women. This phenomenon is reflected by a high percentage of women in Amman who do not want another child ( 55 percent). An exception to this pattern is Balqa, which has the highest proportion of women in the country who do not want to continue childbearing ( 64 percent). The same pattem is seen when the data are analyzed by the number of living children a woman has; women in urban areas and Balqa are more likely to want to stop childbearing than women in other areas.

Education is negatively associated with the desire to stop childbearing. The proportion of women who want no more children decreases as the level of education increases, from 66 percent of among uneducated women to 36 percent among women who have attended more than secondary education. However, when these women are analyzed by the number of living children, the effect of education diminishes, suggesting that the reason uneducated women are more likely to want to stop childbearing is that they already have more children than educated women.

Table 6.2 Fertility preferences by age
Percent distribution of currently married women by desire for more children, according to age, Jordan 1990

| Desire for more children | Age of woman |  |  |  |  |  |  | Total |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 15-19 | 20-24 | 25-29 | 30-34 | 35-39 | 40-44 | 45-49 |  |
| Have another soon ${ }^{1}$ | 38.1 | 24.4 | 18.0 | 12.4 | 9.7 | 7.3 | 4.5 | 15.2 |
| Have another later ${ }^{2}$ | 52.0 | 50.9 | 40.2 | 20.0 | 6.2 | 2.6 | 0.3 | 24.8 |
| Have another, undecided when | 3.6 | 1.5 | 1.0 | 1.4 | 1.1 | 0.1 | 0.3 | 1.1 |
| Undecided | 1.4 | 1.7 | 1.8 | 2.5 | 2.9 | 2.2 | 1.4 | 2.0 |
| Want no more ${ }^{3}$ | 4.4 | 20.9 | 37.9 | 59.9 | 66.2 | 63.6 | 61.2 | 47.1 |
| Sterilized | -- | .-. | 0.3 | 1.8 | 10.8 | 16.2 | 14.0 | 5.6 |
| Declared infecund | 0.5 | 0.6 | 0.7 | 1.9 | 3.0 | 7.7 | 18.3 | 4.1 |
| Missing | -- | -- | -- | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.2 | -- | 0.1 |
| Total | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Number | 353 | 1057 | 1268 | 1098 | 905 | 807 | 680 | 6168 |

-- Less than 0.05 percent
${ }^{1}$ Want next birth within two years
${ }^{2}$ Want to delay next birth two or more years
${ }^{3}$ Women who have been sterilized are considered to want no more children.

## Table 6.3 Desire to stop having children

Percentage of currenly married women who want no more children, by number of living children and selected background characteristics, Jordan 1990

| Background characteristic | Number of living children ${ }^{1}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  | Total |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6+ |  |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Large city | 2.3 | 8.9 | 29.9 | 46.8 | 59.7 | 73.0 | 82.6 | 55.5 |
| Other urban | 2.9 | 2.9 | 21.0 | 32.5 | 50.4 | 71.9 | 80.7 | 52.3 |
| Rural | 1.2 | 4.1 | 16.9 | 27.6 | 46.7 | 54.2 | 72.8 | 49.0 |
| Region |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Amman | 1.7 | 6.4 | 28.3 | 43.0 | 60.4 | 75.3 | 81.5 | 54.8 |
| Zarqa + Mafraq | 3.1 | 8.6 | 26.8 | 42.3 | 51.1 | 65.5 | 82.5 | 53.9 |
| Irbid | 1.8 | 1.1 | 13.0 | 25.6 | 43.5 | 58.8 | 73.2 | 47.7 |
| Balqa | 7.5 | 7.4 | 38.9 | 57.8 | 67.8 | 72.0 | 85.1 | 64.4 |
| South | 0.0 | 5.4 | 17.2 | 23.8 | 48.3 | 50.3 | 74.6 | 45.8 |
| Education level attended |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| No education | 1.0 | 8.8 | 29.0 | 32.9 | 45.5 | 55.5 | 77.6 | 65.9 |
| Primary | 4.6 | 2.5 | 21.0 | 44.8 | 52.9 | 66.4 | 79.3 | 62.5 |
| Secondary | 1.8 | 5.2 | 22.5 | 36.1 | 57.7 | 72.1 | 80.9 | 45.0 |
| More than secondary | 3.2 | 8.4 | 29.5 | 39.5 | 50.1 | 68.2 | 79.1 | 36.0 |
| Total | 2.3 | 5.7 | 24.2 | 37.7 | 54.0 | 67.4 | 79.1 | 52.7 |
| ${ }^{1}$ Includes current pregnancy |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

### 6.2 NEED FOR FAMILY PLANNING SERVICES

Information on fertility desires alone is not sufficient to estimate the need for family planning services. Many women who do not want to have another child soon are using contraception or are not exposed to the risk of pregnancy for other reasons. Therefore, a more detailed analysis of unmet need for family planning is called for. In this analysis, unmet need for family planning is defined as including women who are pregnant or amenorrheic and whose last birth was mistimed, and women who are neither pregnant nor amenortheic and who are not using any method of family planning and say that they either want to delay having their next birth for at least two years or say that they want no more children. Women who are menopausal or infertile are not included in the analysis because while they may want to have another child and want to use contraception in the future, they are actually no longer exposed to the risk of pregnancy.

Table 6.4 presents information on the need for family planning services by background characteristics. The distribution of women who have an unmet need for family planning is shown in columns 1-3. Columns 4-6 show the distribution of women with met need for family planning, i.e., women who are currently using a family planning method for spacing (want to wait 2 years or more for their next child) or for limiting births (want no more children). Pregnant and amenortheic women who became pregnant while using a family planning method (method failure) are not classified as having unmet need but are included because they are in need of a more effective method. The total demand for family planning is shown in columns 7-9. Total demand includes women who are not using a contraceptive method, women who are using a method, and women who used a method that failed. The last column of the table shows the percentage of the total demand for family planning that is satisfied, i.e., the proportion of women using a method to total demand.

The data in Table 6.4 indicate that about 23 percent of currently married women in Jordan are in need of a family planning method, either for spacing ( 8 percent) or for limiting ( 15 percent). Of the 40 percent of women using contraception (including 5 percent who are using prolonged breastfeeding), 12 percent use it to delay their next birth, while 28 percent want to stop childbearing. An additional 4 percent of women have need of a better method, since the one they were using failed to protect them from pregnancy. Thus, the total demand for family planning among currently married women in Jordan is 66 percent, and 66 percent of this demand has been satisfied by women who are currently using contraception and women who had used it but failed.

Unmet need for family planning for purposes of spacing births declines with age, while the need for limiting births increases with age. The two complement each other, such that total unmet need varies little by age of the woman.

Unmet need is related to place of residence and region. Women living in rural areas tend to have greater unmet need than their urban counterparts. This is reflected by the lower level of unmet need for Amman ( 17 percent). Urban women are more likely to use contraception, and hence, have a greater percentage of total demand for family planning satisfied. Unmet need is also associated with education. Women with no education have a higher level of unmet need ( 28 percent) than women who have attended secondary or more than secondary education (20 and 19 percent respectively). Since educated women are more likely to use a contraceptive method than uneducated women, a higher proportion of the total demand for family planning is satisfied for these women.

Table 6.4 Need for family planning services
Percentage of currently married women with unmet need for family planning, met need for family planning, and the total demand for family planning services, by selected background characteristics, Jordan 1990

| Background characteristic | Unmet need for family planning ${ }^{1}$ |  |  | Met need for family planning (currently using) |  |  | Total demand for family planning ${ }^{3}$ |  |  | Percentage of demand satisfied |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\begin{gathered} \text { For } \\ \text { spacing } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { For } \\ \text { lirriting } \end{gathered}$ | Total | $\begin{gathered} \text { For } \\ \text { spacing } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { For } \\ \text { limiting } \end{gathered}$ | Total | $\begin{gathered} \text { For } \\ \text { spacing } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { For } \\ \text { lirriting } \end{gathered}$ | Total |  |
| Age |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 19.3 | 3.1 | 22.4 | 11.5 | 0.8 | 12.3 | 31.6 | 6.4 | 38.0 | 41.0 |
| 20-24 | 13.9 | 6.5 | 20.5 | 18.7 | 9.4 | 28.1 | 34.9 | 17.7 | 52.5 | 61.0 |
| 25-29 | 12.0 | 12.0 | 24.0 | 19.7 | 17.5 | 37.2 | 36.1 | 31.3 | 67.4 | 64.4 |
| 30-34 | 6.9 | 16.1 | 23.0 | 15.0 | 33.5 | 48.5 | 26.0 | 51.4 | 77.5 | 70.3 |
| 35-39 | 2.5 | 20.2 | 22.6 | 4.7 | 47.5 | 52.3 | 10.7 | 67.8 | 78.4 | 71.1 |
| 40-44 | 1.8 | 20.2 | 22.0 | 2.7 | 48.9 | 51.6 | 5.5 | 69.2 | 74.7 | 70.6 |
| 45-49 | 0.2 | 21.7 | 21.9 | 0.4 | 33.3 | 33.7 | 0.6 | 55.0 | 55.6 | 60.6 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Large city | 6.5 | 12.6 | 19.1 | 14.2 | 34.1 | 48.3 | 23.1 | 47.5 | 70.6 | 72.9 |
| Other urban | 7.9 | 14.4 | 22.3 | 10.7 | 28.0 | 38.7 | 21.7 | 43.3 | 65.0 | 65.7 |
| Rural | 9.7 | 18.1 | 27.8 | 8.8 | 19.7 | 28.5 | 21.5 | 39.6 | 61.1 | 54.5 |
| Region level attended |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Amman | 5.2 | 11.7 | 16.9 | 13.8 | 34.5 | 48.3 | 21.7 | 46.7 | 68.4 | 75.3 |
| Zarqa + Mafraq | 8.9 | 15.3 | 24.1 | 11.5 | 28.4 | 39.9 | 22.7 | 45.0 | 67.7 | 64.4 |
| Irtid | 10.2 | 16.3 | 26.5 | 10.8 | 22.9 | 33.7 | 24.2 | 41.5 | 65.7 | 59.7 |
| Balqa | 7.9 | 24.4 | 32.3 | 4.2 | 21.4 | 25.5 | 13.5 | 45.9 | 59.3 | 45.6 |
| South | 10.1 | 14.3 | 24.4 | 10.9 | 20.9 | 31.8 | 24.3 | 36.5 | 60.8 | 59.9 |
| Education |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| No Education | 4.4 | 23.1 | 27.5 | 3.8 | 27.8 | 31.6 | 9.9 | 51.3 | 61.3 | 55.1 |
| Primary | 6.1 | 17.1 | 23.2 | 7.8 | 34.8 | 42.6 | 16.1 | 52.3 | 68.4 | 66.1 |
| Secondary | 9.6 | 10.6 | 20.2 | 15.8 | 26.5 | 42.2 | 28.7 | 38.6 | 67.3 | 70.0 |
| More than secondary | 11.3 | 8.0 | 19.3 | 19.7 | 23.5 | 43.2 | 34.4 | 33.9 | 68.2 | 71.8 |
| Total | 7.8 | 14.6 | 22.4 | 11.7 | 28.3 | 40.0 | 22.2 | 44.0 | 66.2 | 66.1 |

${ }^{1}$ Unmet need for spacing refers to pregnant women whose pregnancy was mistimed, amenorrheic women whose last birh was mistimed, and women who are neither pregnant nor amenormeic and who are not using any method of family planning and say they want to wait two or more years for their next birth. Unme! need for limiting refers to pregnant women whose pregnancy was unwanted, amenorrheic women whose last child was unwanted, and to women who are neither pregnant nor amenorrheic and who are not using any method of family planning and who want no more children. Excluded from the unmet need category are pregnant and amenontheic women who became pregnant while using a method (these women are in need of better contraception). Also excluded are menopausal and infertile women, defined in footnotes 1 and 2 in table 5.8;
${ }^{2} U$ sing for spacing refers to women who are using some method of family planring and who say they want to wait two or more years for their next child. Using for limiting refers to women who are using and who want no more children. Note that the specific methods used are not taken into account.
${ }^{3}$ Total demand includes pregnant or amenortheic women who became pregnant while using a method (method failure).

### 6.3 IDEAL NUMBER OF CHILDREN

The focus of this chapter has been on the future reproductive intentions of women, implicitly taking into account the number of living children they have. To ascertain the ideal number of children, the respondent is required to perform the more difficult task of considering abstractly and independently of her actual family size, the number of children she would choose if she could start again.

There is usually a correlation between actual and ideal number of children. The reason is twofold. First, to the extent that women implement their preferences, those who want larger families tend to achieve larger families. Second, women may adjust upwards their ideal family size, as the actual number of children increases. It is also possible that women with large families, being on average older than women with small families, have larger ideal sizes, because of attitudes that they acquired 20 to 30 years ago.

Despite the likelihood that some rationalization occurs in the determination of ideal family size, it is often found that respondents state ideal family sizes that are lower than their actual number of surviving children (see Table 6.5). The data in Table 6.5 can be grouped into three categories, women who have reached their ideal size, i.e., women whose ideal number of children is exactly the same as their number of living children; this is shown by diagonal figures from 0 to $6+$ children. The second group consists of women whose surviving children have exceeded the idcal size (shown by the figures above the diagonal); the last group consists of women who have not reached their ideal size (shown by the figures below the diagonal). The second category is of particular interest, because it permits the calculation of surplus or unwanted fertility (discussed in Chapter 7).

The data in Table 6.5 indicate that a majority of women consider the ideal family size to be at least 4 children ( 52 percent). Only 10 percent of ever-married women state an ideal family size of two children, the number that is required for replacement level fertility. The mean ideal number of children is 4.4 among ever-married women as well as currently married women. Of concern to family planning program administrators is the fact that 40 percent of women with five or more children have exceeded their ideal family sizes, many by two or more children.

## Table 6.5 ldeal number of children

Percent distribution of ever-married women by ideal number of children and mean ideal number of children for ever-married women and for currently married women, according to number of living children, Jordan 1990

| Ideal number of children | Number of living children ${ }^{1}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  | Total |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | $6+$ |  |
| 0 | -- | 0.4 | 0.1 | 0.2 | -- | -- | 0.2 | 0.2 |
| 1 | 1.7 | 1.9 | 0.4 | 0.9 | 0.4 | 0.8 | 0.3 | 0.7 |
| 2 | 8.3 | 13.0 | 15.7 | 7.6 | 10.2 | 11.0 | 7.2 | 9.5 |
| 3 | 7.5 | 10.6 | 8.8 | 11.4 | 3.8 | 6.2 | 4.9 | 6.8 |
| 4 | 31.9 | 31.3 | 34.5 | 37.9 | 41.2 | 24.3 | 23.6 | 29.6 |
| 5 | 4.4 | 6.1 | 6.4 | 6.3 | 5.3 | 13.1 | 4.1 | 5.9 |
| 6+ | 11.8 | 11.7 | 11.9 | 12.8 | 17.0 | 14.7 | 19.9 | 16.1 |
| Non-numeric response | 34.4 | 24.9 | 22.1 | 23.0 | 22.1 | 30.0 | 39.7 | 31.3 |
| Total | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Number | 405 | 686 | 682 | 720 | 676 | 658 | 2634 | 6461 |
| Ever-married women ${ }^{2}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Mean | 4.2 | 3.9 | 4 | 4.2 | 4.4 | 4.3 | 4.9 | 4.4 |
| Number of women | 265 | 515 | 531 | 554 | 527 | 460 | 1587 | 4440 |
| Currently married women ${ }^{2}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Mean | 4.3 | 3.9 | 4.0 | 4.2 | 4.4 | 4.3 | 4.9 | 4.4 |
| Number of women | 247 | 492 | 514 | 535 | 509 | 443 | 1551 | 4291 |

[^7]One-third of the women did not give a numeric response to the hypothetical question on ideal family size. The failure to give a definite answer suggests either an absence of conscious consideration about family size, or a strong belief that family size is determined by God. Women who have 1 to 4 children are most likely to state a numeric ideal family size; childless women are less likely to do so, perhaps indicating that they want to have as many as possible, or having reached the end of their reproductive years, have given up hope of having a child. Women who already have 5 or more children may avoid specifying a number because they have exceeded their ideal size.

Table 6.6 presents the mean ideal number of children by age and background characteristics. The mean ideal number of children in Jordan increases with age, from 4.1 children for ever-married women in the youngest age group to 5.2 children among the oldest women. In general, women living in rural areas and those with less education have a slightly higher ideal family size.

Table 6.6 Mean ideal number of children by background characteristics
Mean ideal number of children for ever-married women, by age and selected background characteristics, Jordan 1990

| Background characteristic | Age of woman |  |  |  |  |  |  | Total |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 15-19 | 20-24 | 25-29 | 30-34 | 35-39 | 40-44 | 45-49 |  |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Large city | 3.9 | 4.1 | 4.1 | 4.2 | 4.3 | 4.5 | 4.9 | 4.3 |
| Other urban | 4.2 | 4.2 | 4.4 | 4.6 | 4.7 | 4.8 | 5.3 | 4.5 |
| Rural | 4.2 | 4.5 | 4.3 | 4.5 | 4.4 | 5.2 | 6.0 | 4.6 |
| Region |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Amman | 4.2 | 4.1 | 4.1 | 4.3 | 4.2 | 4.5 | 5.2 | 4.3 |
| Zarqa + Mafraq | 3.6 | 4.1 | 4.1 | 4.1 | 4.4 | 4.7 | 5.0 | 4.3 |
| Irbid | 4.4 | 4.6 | 4.6 | 4.8 | 5.0 | 5.0 | 5.4 | 4.8 |
| Balqa | 4.7 | 4.0 | 4.3 | 4.1 | 3.8 | 4.6 | 5.2 | 4.2 |
| South | 3.5 | 3.9 | 4.2 | 4.4 | 4.7 | 4.8 | 5.7 | 4.4 |
| Education level attended |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| No education | 6.9 | 4.5 | 4.2 | 4.9 | 5.0 | 5.2 | 6.0 | 5.3 |
| Primary | 3.9 | 4.2 | 4.1 | 4.6 | 4.5 | 4.7 | 4.3 | 4.4 |
| Secondary | 4.1 | 4.2 | 4.3 | 4.3 | 4.1 | 4.2 | 4.0 | 4.2 |
| More than secondary | 4.2 | 4.2 | 4.3 | 4.2 | 4.3 | 4.1 | 4.7 | 4.3 |
| Total | 4.1 | 4.2 | 4.2 | 4.4 | 4.5 | 4.7 | 5.2 | 4.4 |

### 6.4 PLANNING STATUS OF BIRTHS

Respondents in the JPFHS were asked a series of questions for each child bom in the five years preceding the survey and for any current pregnancy to determine whether the particular pregnancy was planned, unplanned but wanted at a later date, or unwanted. These questions yield data that provides a powerful indicator of the degree to which couples are able to successfully control childbearing. In addition, the data can be used to measure the effect of the prevention of unwanted births on period fertility.

The questions on the planning status of births are extremely demanding. The respondent is required to recall accurately her wishes at one or more points in the preceding five years, and to report them honestly. The possibility of rationalization is present, since an unwanted conception may well be a cherished child. Despite problems of comprehension, recall, and truthfulness, the results from previous surveys indicate that
the questions are effective in eliciting plausible information about the planning status of births. Respondents are willing to report unwanted conceptions, although some postpartum rationalization does occur. Overall, the estimates of unwanted fertility obtained from the data are probably low.

In the interview process, the retrospective questions were asked separately from the questions on the desire for more children and ideal family size, and the data have not yet been analyzed together. Consistency of attitudes at the individual level will be investigated in further analysis studies.

Table 6.7 shows that two-thirds of births occurring in the five years preceding the survey were wanted at the time they were conceived, 11 percent were wanted but at a later time, and 21 percent were not wanted at all. The percentage of births wanted at the time of conception is negatively associated with birth order, while the percentage of unwanted births increases with birth order. In other words, higher order births are more likely than first or second births to have been either mistimed or unwanted. The low percentage of first births wanted later or not wanted at all indicates that almost all first order births are wanted.

Births to young women tend to be wanted (then or later), while births of older women are more likely to be unwanted (see Table 6.7). While 85 percent of births to women under 20 years of age were wanted at the time they occurred, this percentage declines to 42 percent among women 45-49.

Table 6.7 Planning status of births
Percent distribution of births in the five years preceding the survey by fertility planning status, according to birth order and mother's age at birth, Jordan 1990

| Birth order and mother's age | Planning status of birth |  |  | Total | Number of births |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Wanted then | Wanted later | Not wanted |  |  |
| Birth order ${ }^{1}$ |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 93.4 | 4.2 | 2.0 | 100.0 | 1545 |
| 2 | 72.3 | 16.4 | 10.7 | 100.0 | 1325 |
| 3 | 72.5 | 14.7 | 12.6 | 100.0 | 1208 |
| 4+ | 57.8 | 11.5 | 30.3 | 100.0 | 5276 |
| Mother's age |  |  |  |  |  |
| $<20$ | 85.3 | 10.1 | 4.6 | 100.0 | 843 |
| 20-24 | 76.6 | 12.4 | 11.0 | 100.0 | 2666 |
| 25-29 | 68.2 | 13.7 | 18.1 | 100.0 | 2555 |
| 30-34 | 60.0 | 12.2 | 27.7 | 100.0 | 1757 |
| 35-39 | 54.3 | 6.1 | 39.6 | 100.0 | 1046 |
| 40-44 | 45.2 | 5.1 | 49.7 | 100.0 | 408 |
| 45-49 | 43.4 | 0.0 | 56.6 | 100.0 | 42 |
| Total | 67.6 | 11.4 | 20.6 | 100.0 | 9355 |

${ }^{1}$ Includes current pregnancy

Another way of measuring the extent of unwanted fertility is to calculate what the fertility rate would be if all unwanted births were avoided. This is known as the wanted fertility rate (see Table 6.8). In this analysis, a birth is considered wanted if the number of living children at the time of the pregnancy was less than the current ideal number of children, as reported by the respondent. In Jordan, if all unwanted births were prevented, the total wanted fertility rate would be 3.9 children per woman, or 1.6 children less than the actual total fertility rate. This implies that the total fertility rate is inflated by more than 40 percent due to unwanted births. Table 6.8 also shows that the gap between actual and wanted fertility rates is largest-two or more children-among rural women, women living in Zarqa and Mafraq and Irbid, and women who have attended primary education. Urban women and women who have attended more than secondary education are generally more successful in narrowing the gap between wanted and actual fertility rates.

## Table 6.8. Wanted fertility rates

Total wanted fertility rates and total fertility rates for the three years preceding the survey, by selected background characteristics, Jordan 1990

| Background characteristic | Total wanted fertility rate | Total fertility rate |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Residence |  |  |
| Large city | 3.359 | 4.749 |
| Other urban | 4.013 | 5.603 |
| Rural | 4.761 | 6.846 |
| Region |  |  |
| Amman | 3.549 | 4.885 |
| Zarqa + Mafraq | 3.604 | 5.585 |
| Irbid | 4.113 | 6.199 |
| Balqa | 4.526 | 5.553 |
| South | 5.219 | 6.638 |
| Education level attended |  |  |
| No Education | 5.301 | 6.921 |
| Primary | 4.087 | 6.004 |
| Secondary | 3.621 | 5.387 |
| More than secondary | 3.444 | 4.103 |
| Total | 3.938 | 5.573 |

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 3.3.

## CHAPTER 7

## INFANT AND CHILD MORTALITY

Estimates of levels, trends and differentials in infant and child mortality are important for monitoring and evaluating ongoing health programs, and can be used to formulate future policies. The level of infant and child mortality is viewed as an indicator of the general standard of living in a society, and health conditions in particular. Infant mortality rates are also used to develop population projections. In addition to addressing these issues, this chapter examines the risk factors associated with births in Jordan.

Five measures of infant and child mortality used in this chapter are:

- Neonatal mortality, or the probability of dying in the first month of life;
- Postneonatal mortality, or the probability of dying after the first month of life but before the first birthday;
- Infant mortality $\left({ }_{1} q_{0}\right)$, or the probability of dying before the first birthday;
- Child mortality $\left({ }_{4} \mathrm{q}_{1}\right)$, or the probability of dying between the first and fifth birthday; and
- Under-five mortality $\left({ }_{s} q_{0}\right)$, or the probability of dying before the fifth birthday.

Infant and child mortality rates are calculated from information collected in the birth history section of the individual questionnaire. In the JPFHS, each woman was asked about the number of sons and daughters living with her in the same household, the number living away, and the number who had died. These questions were aimed at obtaining the total number of births the respondent had experienced. Next, the respondent was asked to give information on each of the children she had given birth to, including the name, sex, date of birth, whether the birth was single or multiple, and survival status. If the child had died, the age at death was recorded. If the child was still living, questions were asked about his/her age at last birthday and whether the child lived with his/her mother. It should be noted that birth histories are often subject to inaccuracies in the reporting of events, errors which can result in biased rates and trends over time. Despite the disadvantages, birth histories provide data for analyses that would be impossible to collect using any other method of data gathering.

### 7.1 ASSESSMENT OF DATA QUALITY

The reliability of mortality estimates depends on the completeness and accuracy of reporting of births and deaths. Omission of births and deaths directly affects mortality estimates, and displacement of dates has an impact on montality trends. To determine the quality of data collected in the JPFHS, the distribution of all children by calendar year of birth and of dead children by age at death was examined (see Appendix C, Tables C. 3 and C.5). Table C. 3 indicates the presence of a slight deficit of births in the fifth year preceding the survey, and an excess of births in the sixth year preceding the survey. The period for which detailed data on children's health was collected extended from January 1985 to the survey date.

The most common source of error in the reporting of child's age at death is the tendency of mothers to report age at death in multiples of 6 months. Partly to minimize this error, interviewers were instructed to record deaths under one month in days, and under 2 years of age in months. They were specifically reminded to ascertain whether deaths reported at one year of age actually occurred at 12 months. Although misreporting of age at death can result in biased estimates of infant and child mortality, a study using DHS data from a number of countries indicates that heaping on age at death of 12 months would bias the cstimates by no more than 5 percent (Sullivan et al, 1990). Thus, the rates presented in this report are unadjusted, i.e., no efforts were made to average out the heaping present in the data.

Figure 7.1 presents information on children's age at death (see also Appendix C, Table C.5). Overall, the quality of the data on children's age at death is good. Except for some "heaping" at 12 months and, to a lesser degree, at 3 months, the graph shows a smooth curve, reflecting the absence of serious age misreporting. The deficit of deaths at age 10 and 11 months suggests that some proportion of the deaths reported at 12 months did, in fact, occur before the first birthday. Likewise, some of the deaths reported at 3 months probably occurred at 2 or 4 months.

Figure 7.1
Deaths Under Age Two by Age at Death


JPFHS 1990

### 7.2 LEVELS, TRENDS AND DIFFERENTIALS

It is seldom possible to establish, with confidence, mortality levels for a period more than 15 years before a survey. This is because events that occurred recently are more likely to be remembered than those which occurred in the distant past. Thus, lacking a detailed evaluation of the quality of the birth history data (which could not be included in this report), any conclusions regarding changes in mortality should be considered preliminary.

Infant and child mortality rates for five-year periods preceding the survey are presented in Table 7.1 and Figure 7.2. Infant mortality for the most recent five-year period is 34 deaths per 1000 births, while underfive mortality is 40 per thousand (i.e., 40 of every 1000 children bom do not live until their fifth birthday).

Table 7.1 Infant and child mortality
Infant and child mortality rates by five-year periods preceding the survey, Jordan 1990

| Years <br> preceding <br> survey | Neonatal <br> mortality <br> (NN) | Postreonatal <br> mortality <br> (PNN) | Infant <br> mortality <br> $\left({ }_{1} q_{0}\right)$ | Child <br> mortality <br> $\left({ }_{4} q_{1}\right)$ | Under-five <br> mortality <br> $\left(5 q_{0}\right)$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $0-4$ | 21.4 | 12.4 | 33.8 | 5.1 | 38.8 |
| $5-9$ | 22.6 | 17.3 | 39.9 | 6.6 | 46.2 |
| $10-14$ | 19.7 | 22.0 | 41.7 | 10.1 | 51.3 |
| $15-19$ | 25.1 | 33.7 | 58.8 | 13.0 | 71.0 |
| $20-24$ | 24.7 | 35.8 | 60.5 | 26.9 | 85.9 |

${ }^{1}$ Computed as the difference between the infant and the neonatal mortality rates

Figure 7.2
Trends in Infant and Child Mortality by Five-Year Periods

Deaths per 1,000



JPFH8 1990

While not precise, the rates presented in Table 7.1 approximate the calendar periods 1986-90, 198185, 1976-80, 1971-75, and 1966-70 because fieldwork for the survey was carried out in the fourth quarter of 1990. The 1976 Jordan Fertility Survey (JFS) and 1983 Jordan Fertility and Family Health Survey (JFFHS) were both fielded in the third quarter of the year. For purposes of trend analysis, the results of the three surveys have been compared (see Figure 7.3). Ideally, the estimates for overlapping periods should be the
same; this is not the case in Jordan because of discrepancies due to intemal biases in each of the estimates and underestimation in the 1983 survey (Department of Statistics, 1984b). It is apparent, however, that infant mortality has been declining for many years.

The pace of decline in infant and child mortality varies. Neonatal mortality shows little, if any, decline, while mortality among children 1-4 years has declined rapidly (see Table 7.1) As a result, under-five mortality approaches the level of infant mortality. This suggests that the factors affecting infant mortality are different from those affecting child mortality. In particular, infant health is more likely to be influenced by factors such as antenatal and postnatal care, and the length of the birth interval (issues which are discussed below).

Figure 7.3
Infant Mortality by Five-Year Periods JFS 1976, JFFHS 1983, and JPFHS 1990


Infant and child mortality rates are lower in Jordan than in other Arab countries where DHS surveys have been carried out.

|  | Infant <br> mortality | Child <br> mortality | Under-five <br> mortality |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |
| Egypt 1984-88 | 73 | 31 | 102 |
| Jordan 1986-90 | 34 | 5 | 39 |
| Morocco 1982-86 | 73 | 31 | 102 |
| Sudan 1985-90 | 70 | 57 | 123 |
| Tunisia 1983-87 | 50 | 16 | 65 |

## Differentials by Socioeconomic Characteristics

Differentials in neonatal, postneonatal, infant, child, and under-five mortality by socioeconomic characteristics are shown in Table 7.2. A ten-year period is used to calculate the mortality estimates in order to have sufficient number of cases in each category. It is expected that use of the ten-year reference period will improve the reliability of the mortality estimates.

There are no substantial differences in under-five mortality by type of residence (see Figure 7.4). Children in large cities have almost the same mortality as those in other urban areas (40 and 41 deaths per 1,000 live births, respectively), while rural children have a slightly higher probability of dying ( 47 per 1,000 live births). Child mortality does show differences by residence; the probability of dying is 3 per 1,000 live births for large cities, 6 per 1,000 for other urban areas, and 8 per 1,000 for rural areas. A similar pattern is found for postneonatal mortality, but not for neonatal and infant mortality.

Table 7.2 Infant and child mortality by background characteristics
Infant and child mortality rates for the ten-year period preceding the survey, by selected background characteristics, Jordan 1990

| Background characteristic | Neonatal mortality (NN) | Postneonatal mortality ${ }^{1}$ (PNN) | Infant mortality ( $\mathrm{q}_{0}$ ) | Child mortality $\left({ }_{4} q_{1}\right)$ | Under-five mortality (sqo) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |
| Large city | 24.3 | 12.8 | 37.1 | 3.4 | 40.3 |
| Other urban | 19.5 | 14.9 | 34.3 | 6.3 | 40.5 |
| Rural | 22.1 | 17.2 | 39.2 | 8.4 | 47.3 |
| Region |  |  |  |  |  |
| Amman | 22.8 | 13.2 | 36.0 | 4.2 | 40.0 |
| Zarqa + Mafraq | 23.2 | 15.4 | 38.5 | 7.6 | 45.8 |
| Irbid | 25.3 | 19.2 | 44.5 | 6.4 | 50.6 |
| Balqa | 6.5 | 8.8 | 15.3 | 6.9 | 22.1 |
| South | 19.5 | 12.1 | 31.6 | 6.3 | 37.7 |
| Education level attended |  |  |  |  |  |
| No education | 23.3 | 15.3 | 38.7 | 6.4 | 44.8 |
| Primary | 22.7 | 18.4 | 41.1 | 8.1 | 48.8 |
| Secondary | 21.4 | 14.4 | 35.8 | 4.6 | 40.2 |
| More than secondary | 19.3 | 4.7 | 23.9 | 1.6 | 25.5 |
| Medlcal maternity care ${ }^{2}$ |  |  |  |  |  |
| No antenatal delivery | 14.3 | 18.2 | 32.5 | 16.1 | 48.0 |
| Either antenatal/delivery | 23.6 | 18.8 | 42.4 | 3.7 | 46.0 |
| Both antenatal/delivery | 22.0 | 10.4 | 32.4 | 6.8 | 38.9 |
| Total | 22.0 | 14.8 | 36.8 | 5.8 | 42.4 |

${ }^{1}$ Computed as the difference between the infant and the neonatal mortality rates
${ }^{2}$ Rates for the five-year period before the survey. Medical care is that given by a doctor, nurse, midwife or received in a hospital, clinic, maternal and child health center or public health center.

Figure 7.4 Infant and Under-Five Mortality by Residence and Education


Note: Rates refer to the 10 -year perlod preceding the survey.

Infant and under-five mortality vary across regions. While in the rest of the country under-five mortality ranges from 37 to 45 per 1,000 births, and infant mortality ranges from 32 to 39 per 1,000 births, in Irbid infant and under-five mortality are more than twice as high as in Balqa. It should be noted, however, that the low figures for Balqa are not due to any unique conditions in the governorate; rather, they are due to the underreporting of deaths.

Mother's education is negatively associated with infant and child mortality. Children of mothers who attended more than secondary education are less likely to die in the first five years of life than children of mothers with less education. Mortality is highest for children of women who attended primary school or received no education.

Attention from medical personnel during pregnancy and at the time of delivery influences children's chances for survival. The level of mortality for children who had no antenatal care and delivery assistance from a medical professional is generally higher than for children who received such care. Neonatal mortality shows the opposite pattern, probably due to the fact that problem pregnancies are more likely to be referred for medical attention.

## Differentials by Demographic Characteristics

Differentials in mortality rates by selected demographic characteristics are shown in Table 7.3 and Figure 7.5. Children of teenage mothers, high birth order children, and children born following a short birth interval are at greater risk of dying than those in other subgroups. The difference is most pronounced when birth interval is taken into account. Children born after an interval of less than two years are almost twice as likely to die as children bom four years or more after their siblings.

Table 7.3 Infent and child mortality by demographic characteristics
Infant and child mortality rates for the ten-year period preceding the survey, by selected demographic characteristics, Jordan 1990

| Demographic characteristic | Neonatal mortality (NN) | Postneonatal mortality ${ }^{1}$ (PNN) | Infant mortality $\left({ }_{1} q_{0}\right)$ | Child mortality $\left({ }_{4} q_{1}\right)$ | Under-five mortality $\left(5 \mathrm{C}_{0}\right)$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Sex of child |  |  |  |  |  |
| Male | 22.6 | 13.7 | 36.4 | 6.0 | 42.2 |
| Female | 21.3 | 15.9 | 37.3 | 5.6 | 42.7 |
| Mother's age at blrth |  |  |  |  |  |
| $<0$ | 27.5 | 24.1 | 51.5 | 7.1 | 58.2 |
| 20-29 | 20.0 | 16.1 | 36.2 | 5.6 | 41.5 |
| 30-39 | 22.7 | 10.4 | 33.1 | 5.6 | 38.5 |
| 40-49 | 29.4 | 7.9 | 37.3 | 8.1 | 45.1 |
| Birth order |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 17.1 | 13.1 | 30.2 | 4.5 | 34.5 |
| 2-3 | 22.2 | 16.5 | 38.6 | 6.7 | 45.1 |
| 4-6 | 20.8 | 14.8 | 35.5 | 5.5 | 40.9 |
| 7+ | 25.6 | 14.2 | 39.8 | 6.1 | 45.7 |
| Previous birth interval |  |  |  |  |  |
| < 2 years | 24.9 | 19.1 | 44.0 | 7.5 | 51.2 |
| 2-3 years | 12.1 | 9.9 | 22.0 | 4.3 | 26.2 |
| 4 years or more | 17.5 | 9.6 | 27.1 | 3.8 | 30.8 |
| Birth size ${ }^{2}$ |  |  |  |  |  |
| Very small | 97.8 | 39.7 | 137.5 | 5.7 | 142.4 |
| Small | 10.2 | 14.1 | 24.2 | 6.9 | 31.0 |
| Average or larger | 16.0 | 10.5 | 26.5 | 6.6 | 32.9 |

${ }^{1}$ Computed as the difference between the infant and the neonatal mortality rates
${ }^{2}$ Rates are for the five-year period preceding the survey.

Children's weight at birth is closely associated with their chances of survival, particularly during the first month of life. Children reported as "very small" at birth had more than six times greater risk of dying than children whose birth weight was reported as "average." One in 7 "very small" children did not survive to reach their fifth birthday.

Figure 7.5
Infant Mortality by Selected Demographic Characteristics


Note: Ratea refer to the 10 -year perlod preceding to the aurvey.

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### 7.3 HIGH-RISK FERTILITY BEHAVIOR

Table 7.4 presents the distribution of children born in the five years preceding the survey who are at increased risk of dying due to the mother's fertility behavior characteristics. Children are at elevated risk if the mother was too young or too old at the time of birth, if they are of high birth order, or if they were bom too soon after their older sibling. In this report, a woman is classified as "too young" if she is less than 18 years of age, and "too old" if she is over 34 years of age at the time of birth. A child is considered "high birth order" if the mother has had three or more previous children. A "short birth interval" is defined as a birth occurring less than 24 months after a previous birth. In the analysis of birth intervals, only children whose preceding birth interval was less than 24 months are included, even though a short birth interval also increases the risk of dying for the child at the beginning of the interval. The latter relationship is subject to reverse causality in that the death of the earlier child may cause the subsequent interval to be short. First-order births may be at greater risk of dying than higher order births; however, the distinction is not made in Table 7.4 because it is not considered avoidable fertility behavior.

Seventy-seven percent of children bom in the five years preceding the survey are at elevated risk of dying; 40 percent have an increased risk due to a single risk category (mother's age, birth order, or birth interval), and 37 percent have an increased risk due to multiple risk categories. The largest group of children at risk are those who are high birth order ( 58 percent) and those whose preceding birth interval was less than 24 months ( 42 percent). One in five children was born with a preceding birth interval of less than 24 months and with birth order higher than 3. However, it should be noted that the effect of high birth order ( $>3$ ) outweighs the effects of other factors such as length of preceding birth interval and mother's age.

## Table 7.4 High-risk fertility behavior

Percent distribution of children born in the five years preceding the survey who have an elevated risk of mortality, and the percent distribution of currently married women at risk of conceiving a child with an elevated risk of mortality, by category of increased risk, Jordan 1990

| Risk category | Births in 5 years preceding the survey |  | Percentage of currently married women ${ }^{2}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Percentage of births | $\begin{gathered} \text { Risk } \\ \text { ratio } \end{gathered}$ |  |
| Not in an any risk category | 22.9 | 1.0 | $21.0^{3}$ |
| Single risk category |  |  |  |
| Mother's age $<18$ years at birth | 2.2 | 1.1 | 0.8 |
| Mother's age > 34 years at birth | 0.3 | 0.0 | 2.1 |
| Birth interval < 24 months | 16.4 | 1.9 | 9.7 |
| Birth order > 3 | 21.2 | 1.4 | 16.7 |
| Subtotal | 40.2 | 1.6 | 29.3 |
| Mustiple risk category |  |  |  |
| Age $<18$ \& $\mathrm{BI}<24{ }^{4}$ | 0.3 | 6.6 | 0.2 |
| Age>34 \& $\mathrm{Bl}<24$ | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.1 |
| Age>34 \& BO>3 | 11.4 | 1.5 | 28.3 |
| Age>34 BI<24 BO>3 | 4.4 | 2.2 | 5.4 |
| $\mathrm{BI}<24$ \& $\mathrm{BO}>3$ | 20.6 | 1.8 | 15.7 |
| Subtotal | 36.9 | 1.8 | 49.7 |
| In any risk category | 77.1 | 1.7 | 79.0 |
| Total | 100.0 | NA | 100.0 |
| Number | 8181 | NA | 6168 |

NA = Not applicable
${ }^{1}$ Risk ratio is the ratio of the proportion dead of births in a specific risk category to the proportion dead of births not in any risk category.
${ }^{2}$ 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 or older than 34 years and 2 months, latest birth less than 15 months ago, or latest birth of order 3 or higher.
${ }^{3}$ Includes sterilized women
${ }^{4}$ Includes the combined categories age $<18 \& B O>3$

Column 2 of Table 7.4 presents the risk ratios for births in the five years preceding the survey (i.e., the ratio of the proportion dead in each risk category to the proportion dead among children who were not in any risk category). The single most detrimental factor is a short birth interval; children bom less than 24 months after an older sibling are twice as likely to die as children who are not in any risk category. The
combination of giving birth at a young age and having a short preceding birth interval is particularly detrimental to child survival. Children born to mothers under 18 years of age, and born less than 24 months after a preceding birth are about seven (6.6) times more likely to die than children who are not in any risk category. This ratio is higher than for any other risk group, including the multiple risk category: children born to women under 18 years, with a birth interval of less than 24 months, and with a birth order higher than 3 (2.2).

The last column of Table 7.4 presents the distribution of currently married women according to category of increased risk. Women are placed in the categories according to the status they would have at the birth of a child conceived at the time of the survey: women age less than 17 years and 3 months or older than 34 years and 2 months, latest birth less than 15 months ago, and latest birth of order 3 or higher. Many women are protected from the risk of pregnancy due to use of contraception, postpartum insusceptibility, and prolonged abstinence; however, for the sake of simplicity, only sterilized women are classified as not being in any risk category.

Eight of ten married women are at risk of conceiving a child at increased risk of dying. Two-thirds of married women are at risk because they have already had 3 births, while one-third are at risk because they are over age 34. The figures in Table 7.4 demonstrate the strong influence of parity (the number of children the mother has had) on the risk of dying among children under five years of age.

## CHAPTER 8

## MATERNAL AND CHILD HEALTH

One of the objectives of the 1990 JPFHS was to collect information in order to evaluate ongoing health programs and to develop policies and programs designed to provide better services. In the survey, information was collected on the health of children bom in the preceding five years, and their mothers. Information on maternal health care includes care received during pregnancy (antenatal checkups and tetanus toxoid injections) and at the time of delivery. For each birth in the preceding five years, information was gathered on preventive health measures (vaccinations), recent illnesses, and treatment practices. In addition, for all women in the survey, information on knowledge and use of ORS packets for treatment of childhood diarmea was collected.

### 8.1 ANTENATAL CARE AND DELIVERY ASSISTANCE

To determine the extent of utilization of different types of antenatal care services, for each live birth occurring since January 1985, women were asked whether they had seen anyone for antenatal care during the pregnancy. Antenatal care is defined according to type of provider, number of antenatal visits, stage of pregnancy at time of first visit, and number of tetanus toxoid injections received. Although the interviewer was instructed to record all responses if more than one source of antenatal care was mentioned for the same pregnancy, only the most qualified provider is considered in in this report.

## Antenatal Care

Table 8.1 shows the distribution of births in the five years preceding the survey by source of antenatal care received by the mother during pregnancy. For the majority of births ( 80 percent), the mother received at least one pregnancy checkup from trained health personnel: 73 percent from a doctor and 8 percent from a nurse or midwife. In the 1983 Jordan Fertility and Family Health Survey (JFFHS), 55 percent of mothers received antenatal care, 95 percent of which was given by medical personnel. Thus, antenatal care coverage increased from 55 to 80 percent of births in the space of just 7 years.

The data show that there are marked differentials in antenatal care coverage among subgroups (see Table 8.1 and Figure 8.1). Children of younger mothers, children of low birth order, those living in large cities, particularly Amman, and children whose mothers attended secondary or higher education are more likely to have received antenatal care than other children. The role of traditional birth attendants in providing antenatal care in Jordan is limited. (This is true for all subgroups.) Overall, doctors are more likely than nurses or midwives to provide antenatal care services for births in large cities, births to educated women, and births of lower order.

The data on antenatal care from the JPFHS indicate that medical care for pregnant women is more widely available in Jordan than in many Arab countries in which DHS surveys have been carried out, namely Egypt, Morocco, Sudan, and Tunisia. The level of antenatal care coverage in Sudan (70 percent) is closest to that in Jordan; Egypt and Tunisia range from 51 to 58 percent, while Morocco has the lowest level of antenatal care coverage ( 25 percent).

## Table 8.1 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, Jordan 1990

| Background characteristic | Antenatal care provider ${ }^{1}$ |  |  |  |  | Number of births |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Doctor | Nurse/ midwife | Traditional birth attendant, other | No one | Total |  |
| Mother's age at hirth |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| <20 | 73.6 | 10.9 | 0.8 | 14.6 | 100.0 | 734 |
| 20-34 | 73.7 | 7.4 | 0.5 | 18.4 | 100.0 | 6112 |
| 35+ | 67.0 | 6.5 | 0.8 | 25.7 | 100.0 | 1334 |
| Birth order |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 84.2 | 6.9 | 0.6 | 8.2 | 100.0 | 1297 |
| 2-3 | 75.4 | 7.9 | 0.5 | 16.3 | 100.0 | 2171 |
| 4-5 | 70.8 | 7.5 | 0.6 | 21.1 | 100.0 | 1695 |
| 6+ | 66.7 | 7.6 | 0.6 | 25.2 | 100.0 | 3018 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Large city | 81.7 | 6.0 | 0.7 | 11.5 | 100.0 | 2998 |
| Other uban | 74.6 | 7.5 | 0.7 | 17.3 | 100.0 | 2696 |
| Rural | 59.6 | 9.4 | 0.3 | 30.7 | 100.0 | 2486 |
| Region |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Amman | 77.6 | 8.3 | 0.5 | 13.7 | 100.0 | 2923 |
| Zarqa + Mafraq | 74.2 | 4.6 | 1.5 | 19.7 | 100.0 | 1651 |
| Irbid | 69.3 | 6.4 | 0.0 | 24.3 | 100.0 | 2162 |
| Balqa | 65.3 | 16.7 | 0.4 | 17.6 | 100.0 | 579 |
| South | 65.9 | 7.6 | 0.6 | 25.9 | 100.0 | 866 |
| Education level attended |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| No education | 56.0 | 9.2 | 0.7 | 34.1 | 100.0 | 1620 |
| Primary | 66.6 | 9.0 | 0.5 | 24.0 | 100.0 | 1748 |
| Secondary | 77.9 | 7.5 | 0.6 | 14.0 | 100.0 | 3880 |
| More than secondary | 90.8 | 2.4 | 0.5 | 6.4 | 100.0 | 934 |
| All births | 72.6 | 7.6 | 0.6 | 19.3 | 100.0 | 8181 |

Note: Figures are for births in the period 1-59 months preceding the survey.
${ }^{1}$ If the respondent mentioned more than one provider, only the most qualified provider is considered.


The number and timing of antenatal visits is also important For births in the five years preceding the survey, mothers had a median of 7.5 antenatal visits throughout pregnancy (see Table 8.2). While almost 20 percent of these births did not receive antenatal care, 67 percent had 4 or more checkups. For half of the births, pregnancy checkups started at or before three months of pregnancy, and for 73 percent, antenatal care began in the first 5 months of pregnancy.

## Tetanus Toxoid Vaccinations

As neonatal tetanus is a major cause of neonatal mortality in many countries, the JPFHS collected information on whether the respondents had received tetanus toxoid injections for each pregnancy in the five years preceding the survey, and if so, the number of injections.

For more than half of births in the preceding five years, the mother did not receive a tetanus toxoid vaccination during pregnancy; 22 percent had one dose, and 20 percent had two or more doses (see Table 8.3). This is an increase from 1983 (Department of Statistics, 1984b), when only 9 percent of pregnant women received tetanus toxoid injections. There are small differentials among the various subgroups; for example, births to younger mothers and low-order births are more likely to have received vaccinations against neonatal tetanus than births in other subgroups. Differentials by mother's education are minimal for tetanus toxoid vaccinations, although differences by education in antenatal care were notable (see Table 8.1). This may, in part, be because women with more education are more likely to use private health facilities, where tetanus toxoid vaccinations are less commonly given. Of women who visited a doctor for their antenatal care, more than half did not receive a tetanus toxoid injection (data not shown).

| Table 8.2 Number of antenatal care visits and |
| :--- |
| stage of pregnancy |
| Percent distribution of live births in the five |
| years preceding the survey by number of |
| antenatal care (ANC) visits, and by the stage |
| of pregnancy at the time of the first visit, |
| Jordan 1990 |


| Table 8.3 Tetanus toxoid vaccination |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Percent distribution of births in the five years preceding the survey by number of tetanus toxoid injections given to the mother during pregnancy, according to selected background characteristics, Jordan 1990 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Number of tetanus toxoid injections |  |  |  |  |  |
| Background characteristic | None | One dose | Two doses or more | Don't know/ Missing | Total | Number of births |
| Mother's age at blrth |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| <20 | 44.9 | 25.9 | 29.3 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 734 |
| 20-34 | 58.1 | 22.3 | 19.2 | 0.5 | 100.0 | 6112 |
| 35+ | 58.4 | 21.2 | 20.0 | 0.3 | 100.0 | 1334 |
| Birth order |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 40.7 | 25.4 | 33.9 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 1297 |
| 2-3 | 59.1 | 24.7 | 15.6 | 0.6 | 100.0 | 2171 |
| 4-5 | 60.1 | 21.5 | 17.8 | 0.7 | 100.0 | 1695 |
| $6+$ | 60.6 | 20.0 | 19.1 | 0.3 | 100.0 | 3018 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Large city | 57.6 | 21.8 | 20.2 | 0.4 | 100.0 | 2998 |
| Other urban | 54.1 | 24.0 | 21.5 | 0.4 | 100.0 | 2696 |
| Rural | 59.3 | 21.5 | 18.9 | 0.4 | 100.0 | 2486 |
| Region |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Amman | 57.6 | 19.6 | 22.3 | 0.5 | 100.0 | 2923 |
| Zarqa + Mafraq | 59.4 | 24.3 | 16.3 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 1651 |
| Irbid | 57.5 | 23.6 | 18.2 | 0.6 | 100.0 | 2162 |
| Balqa | 38.4 | 29.4 | 31.8 | 0.3 | 100.0 | 579 |
| South | 61.2 | 20.6 | 17.9 | 0.3 | 100.0 | 866 |
| Education level attended |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| No education | 63.7 | 18.4 | 17.6 | 0.3 | 100.0 | 1620 |
| Primary | 55.5 | 23.1 | 20.8 | 0.6 | 100.0 | 1748 |
| Secondary | 53.9 | 24.3 | 21.4 | 0.3 | 100.0 | 3880 |
| More than secondary | 60.5 | 20.3 | 18.8 | 0.4 | 100.0 | 934 |
| All births | 57.0 | 22.4 | 20.2 | 0.4 | 100.0 | 8181 |

Note: Figures are for births in the period 1-59 months preceding the survey.

Again, the figures for tetanus toxoid coverage in Jordan are higher than those in other Arab countries in which DHS surveys have been conducted (Egypt, Morocco, Sudan, and Tunisia), reflecting better care for both mothers and children in Jordan.

## Place of Delivery

Table 8.4 provides information on the utilization of health facilities during delivery. The data show that the majority of births ( 78 percent) were delivered in a hospital ( 57 percent in government hospitals and 21 percent in private hospitals), while one in five births was delivered at home. Compared to data from the 1983 JFFHS, the proportion of births delivered at home has decreased by half, from 41 to 20 percent, while the proportion of births delivered in hospitals has increased, from 59 percent to 78 percent.

Table 8.4 Place of delivery
Percent distribution of births in the five years preceding the survey by place of delivery, according to selected background characteristics, Jordan 1990

| Background characteristic | Place of delivery |  |  |  |  |  | Number of live births |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Government hospital | Private hospital | At home | Other | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Don't know/ } \\ & \text { Missing } \end{aligned}$ | Total |  |
| Mother's age at birth |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| <20 | 58.5 | 23.6 | 16.0 | 1.7 | 0.2 | 100.0 | 734 |
| 20-34 | 56.6 | 21.7 | 20.1 | 1.5 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 6112 |
| 35+ | 58.8 | 18.5 | 21.1 | 1.7 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 1334 |
| Birth order |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 58.9 | 29.8 | 9.9 | 1.3 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 1297 |
| 2-3 | 56.0 | 25.3 | 17.3 | 1.3 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 2171 |
| 4-5 | 56.2 | 19.8 | 22.6 | 1.4 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 1695 |
| $6+$ | 57.7 | 15.7 | 24.6 | 2.0 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 3018 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Large city | 48.5 | 37.5 | 12.9 | 1.0 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 2998 |
| Other urban | 58.1 | 18.4 | 21.8 | 1.7 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 2696 |
| Rural | 66.5 | 5.0 | 26.4 | 2.1 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 2486 |
| Region |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Amman | 44.4 | 39.7 | 13.7 | 2.2 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 2923 |
| Zarqa + Mafraq | 57.5 | 15.9 | 26.3 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 1651 |
| Itrid | 70.7 | 8.2 | 19.4 | 1.6 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 2162 |
| Balqa | 54.9 | 11.1 | 31.1 | 2.8 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 579 |
| South | 67.0 | 9.2 | 22.6 | 1.1 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 866 |
| Education level attended |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| No education | 54.5 | 8.4 | 35.0 | 2.1 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 1620 |
| Primary | 59.1 | 15.8 | 23.1 | 2.1 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 1748 |
| Secondary | 58.2 | 24.9 | 15.4 | 1.4 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 3880 |
| More than secondary | 53.6 | 39.3 | 6.5 | 0.6 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 934 |
| Antenatal care visits |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| None | 56.8 | 5.9 | 36.2 | 1.0 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 1622 |
| $1-3$ visits | 57.3 | 16.4 | 23.9 | 2.4 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 1047 |
| 4+ visits | 57.2 | 26.8 | 14.3 | 1.6 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 5488 |
| Don't know, missing | 50.6 | 25.4 | 24.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 23 |
| All birchs | 57.1 | 21.3 | 19.9 | 1.6 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 8181 |

Note: Figures are for births in the period 1-59 months preceding the survey.

Use of health facilities varies among subgroups. Private hospitals are more likely to be used by young or new mothers, those living in large cities, women with more education, and women who have more antenatal visits (see Figure 8.1). Delivery at home is more likely for births to older women and women living in rural areas, high-order births, and births to women who had no education and received no antenatal care.

## Assistance During Delivery

As with antenatal care, when collecting information on type of assistance during delivery, interviewers were instructed to record all responses if more than one person was assisting during the delivery. However, only the most qualified person in attendance at the time of delivery is considered in this report (see Table 8.5 and Figure 8.1).

## Table 8.5 Assistance during delivery

Percent distribution of births in the five years preceding the survey by type of assistance during delivery, according to selected background characteristics, Jordan 1990

| Background characteristic | Attendant assisting during delivery ${ }^{1}$ |  |  |  |  |  | Number of live births |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Doctor | Nurse/ Midwife | Traditional birth attendant | Relative/ Other | No one | Total |  |
| Mother's age at birth |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| <20 | 60.5 | 30.8 | 6.2 | 2.1 | 0.4 | 100.0 | 734 |
| 20.34 | 49.7 | 37.5 | 8.8 | 2.8 | 1.2 | 100.0 | 6112 |
| 35+ | 46.8 | 38.0 | 9.2 | 3.6 | 2.4 | 100.0 | 1334 |
| Birth order |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 69.9 | 25.6 | 3.5 | 0.8 | 0.2 | 100.0 | 1297 |
| 2-3 | 52.8 | 37.4 | 6.9 | 2.1 | 0.7 | 100.0 | 2171 |
| 4-5 | 44.9 | 39.9 | 10.3 | 3.6 | 1.3 | 100.0 | 1695 |
| $6+$ | 42.9 | 40.0 | 11.1 | 3.8 | 2.3 | 100.0 | 3018 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Large city | 63.9 | 28.9 | 6.4 | 0.4 | 0.3 | 100.0 | 2998 |
| Other urban | 50.1 | 36.8 | 9.0 | 2.9 | 1.3 | 100.0 | 2696 |
| Rural | 33.8 | 47.0 | 10.9 | 5.7 | 2.6 | 100.0 | 2486 |
| Region |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Amman | 63.0 | 28.7 | 6.0 | 1.3 | 1.0 | 100.0 | 2923 |
| Zarqa + Mafraq | 49.4 | 32.2 | 11.1 | 5.9 | 1.4 | 100.0 | 1651 |
| Irbid | 38.9 | 50.4 | 8.9 | 1.1 | 0.7 | 100.0 | 2162 |
| Balqa | 53.4 | 28.7 | 11.2 | 5.2 | 1.5 | 100.0 | 579 |
| South | 34.8 | 46.1 | 10.3 | 4.8 | 3.9 | 100.0 | 866 |
| Education level attended |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| No education | 35.1 | 36.6 | 16.1 | 8.0 | 4.3 | 100.0 | 1620 |
| Primary | 43.1 | 41.1 | 11.7 | 2.9 | 1.2 | 100.0 | 1748 |
| Secondary | 55.1 | 37.3 | 5.9 | 1.3 | 0.5 | 100.0 | 3880 |
| More than secondary | 69.5 | 28.7 | 1.5 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 100.0 | 934 |
| Antenatal care visits |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| None | 28.0 | 45.0 | 15.9 | 7.3 | 3.8 | 100.0 | 1622 |
| 1.3 visits | 45.5 | 38.9 | 10.3 | 3.7 | 1.6 | 100.0 | 1047 |
| 4+ visits | 57.7 | 34.3 | 6.2 | 1.3 | 0.5 | 100.0 | 5488 |
| Don't know/missing | 50.2 | 35.8 | 7.8 | 6.3 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 23 |
| All births | 50.2 | 37.0 | 8.6 | 2.8 | 1.3 | 100.0 | 8181 |

Note: Figures are for births in the period 1-59 months preceding the survey.
${ }^{1}$ If the respondent mentioned more than one attendant, only the most qualified attendant is considered.

Assistance during delivery shows a pattern similar to that for antenatal care. The assistance of medical personnel is widely used: 50 percent of births in the five years preceding the survey were assisted by a doctor, and 37 percent by a trained nurse or midwife. Consistent with data presented earlier, doctors are more likely to deliver births to younger and more educated women, births of lower order, births to women living in large cities and urban areas, and to women who received more antenatal care.

## Delivery Characteristics

Research on infant and childhood mortality has shown that birth weight is a major determinant of infant and child survival. In the 1990 JPFHS, for all births in the five years preceding the survey, respondents were asked how long the pregnancy lasted, and whether the delivery was by caesarean section. The survey used the following categories in gathering data on pregnancy duration: less than 7 months, 7 months to less than 9 months, and 9 months or more. A baby is considered premature when the pregnancy duration is less than 7 months. The baby's birth weight was also recorded on the questionnaire. Since birth weight may not be known for all children, the mother's estimate of the baby's size at birth was obtained.

The results of the questions on delivery characteristics are presented in Table 8.6. Of 8,180 births in the five years preceding the survey to the survey, only 6 percent were delivered by caesarean section and only 12 percent of births were borm before they reached the ninth month of gestation. Birth weight was successfully obtained for more than 85 percent of these babies. Nine in ten births for which birth weight was obtained weighed 2.5 kilograms or more and according to the mother's estimate, 83 percent were of average size or larger. These data suggest that there is little problem of premature births in Jordan. Comparing the actual birth weight with the mother's estimate of birth size suggests some degree of consistency: 75 percent of births reported by the mother to be smaller than average actually weighed less than 2.5 kilograms, whereas 9 in 10 births reported as average or larger than average had normal or heavier than normal birth weights (data not shown).

Table 8.6 Delivery characteristics
Percent distribution of live births in the five years preceding the survey by whether the delivery was by caesarean section, whether premature, and by birth weight and the mother's estimate of baby's size at birth, Jordan 1990

| Delivery characteristic | All births |
| :---: | :---: |
| C-section dellvery |  |
| Caesarean | 5.7 |
| Not C-section | 94.3 |
| Total | 100.0 |
| Premature birth |  |
| $<7$ months | 0.5 |
| 7 to $<9$ months | 11.6 |
| 9 months or more | 87.9 |
| Total | 100.0 |
| Birthweight |  |
| $<2.5 \mathrm{~kg}$ | 8.8 |
| 2.5 kg or more | 76.9 |
| Don't know, missing | 14.3 |
| Total | 100.0 |
| Slize at birth |  |
| Very large | 2.2 |
| Larger than average | 11.6 |
| Average | 69.0 |
| Smaller than average | 10.0 |
| Very small | 6.5 |
| Don't know/missing | 0.5 |
| Total | 100.0 |
| Number of births | 8181 |

Note: Figures are for births in the period 1-59 months preceding the survey.

### 8.2 IMMUNIZATION OF CHILDREN

Since 1980, the Ministry of Health has made the immunization card a requirement for entry into the formal school system. This card is issued by the Ministry through various service providers at the time of the first vaccination. Children who are registered at the Maternal and Child Health Center are given a health card on which, in addition to vaccinations, the child's height and weight are recorded.

## Source of Information

In the JPFHS, information on the immunization status of children was obtained in two ways. First, women who had children under five were asked to produce the health cards for those children. If the card was available, the interviewer copied onto the questionnaire the dates on which the child had received vaccinations for diphtheria/pertussis/tetanus (DPT), polio, measles, and tuberculosis (BCG). For DPT and polio, each dose of the vaccination was recorded separately. When a card was not available, the mother was asked if the child had received specific vaccinations, and the number of doses for DPT and polio were recorded. Table 8.7 presents data for children age 12 to 23 months, by which time they should be fully vaccinated. The table also shows the extent to which vaccinations were received in the first year of life.

## Table 8.7 Vaccinations by source of information

Percentage of children 12-23 months of age who had received specific vaccines at any time before the survey and before 12 months of age, according to whether the information was from a vaccination card or from the mother, Jordan 1990

| Vaccine V | Source of information |  |  | Vaccinated by 12 months ${ }^{1}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Vaccination card | Mother's report | Either source |  |
| BCG | 7.9 | 8.8 | 16.8 | 15.8 |
| Polio 1 | 64.0 | 33.8 | 97.8 | 96.3 |
| Polio 2 | 63.5 | 33.6 | 97.1 | 95.2 |
| Polio 3 | 62.6 | 32.7 | 95.3 | 92.6 |
| Polio booster | 23.0 | 11.4 | 34.4 | 3.3 |
| DPT 1 | 63.8 | 33.7 | 97.5 | 96.0 |
| DPT 2 | 63.3 | 33.5 | 96.7 | 94.8 |
| DPT 3 | 62.3 | 32.5 | 94.8 | 92.2 |
| DPT booster | 22.7 | 11.2 | 34.0 | 4.4 |
| Measles | 58.3 | 31.1 | 89.4 | 76.0 |
| $\mathrm{All}^{2}$ | 57.8 | 30.1 | 87.9 | 74.7 |
| None | 0.0 | 2.1 | 2.1 | - |
| Number of childre | en | - | - | 1615 |

${ }^{1}$ Information was obtained from a vaccination card or from the mother if there was no written record. For children whose information was based on the mother's report, the proportion of vaccinations given during the first year of life was assumed to be the same as for children with a written record of vaccinations.
${ }^{\mathbf{2}}$ Received 3 doses of polio, 3 doses of DPT and measles vaccines; excludes BCG.

Among 1,615 children one year of age, information on vaccinations was obtained from the health card for 64 percent of the children, while mothers supplied the rest of the information (for 36 percent of children). Although virtually all children have received vaccinations against DPT and polio, coverage declines slightly with successive doses. In addition to the regular vaccinations, approximately one in three children has had DPT and polio booster immunizations, which were given to the children after their first birthday. About 9 in 10 children had a measles vaccination, but very few (less than 17 percent) had a BCG vaccination (see Figure 8.2). As for timing of the vaccinations, almost all were given before age 12 months (except boosters which are meant to be given later).

The vaccination program appears to be stronger in recent years. Corresponding coverage figures for children under five years in the 1983 JFFHS (completed vaccinations) are as follows: polio 78 percent, DPT 77 percent, and measles 68 percent. The absence of information on the number of doses from the 1983 survey does not allow a more detailed comparative analysis with the 1990 JPFHS.

Compared with other Arab countries where DHS surveys have been conducted, vaccination coverage for polio and measles among children 12-23 months in Jordan is similar to that in Tunisia and Morocco, but higher than that in Sudan and Egypt. However, since there is no emphasis on the provision of BCG injections in the Jordan health program, the proportion of children receiving BCG vaccinations is much lower In Jordan than in the above-mentioned countries.

## Figure 8.2 <br> Vaccination Coverage among Children 12-23 Months by Source of Information



## Differentials by Background Characteristics

Polio, DPT and measles vaccination coverage is high in all parts of the country and among all subgroups (see Table 8.8). This demonstrates the success of the immunization program in reaching all segments of the population. There are some differences in BCG coverage, with children in large cities and particularly in Balqa, more likely to have received this vaccine.

## Table 8.8 Vaccinations by background characteristics

Percentage of children 12-23 months who had received specific vaccines by the time of the survey (according to the vaccination card or the mother's report) and the percentage for whom a vaccination card was seen by the interviewer, by selected background characteristics, Jordan 1990

| Background characteristic | Percentage of children who received |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Percent- } \\ & \text { age } \\ & \text { with } \\ & \text { a card } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Number } \\ & \text { of } \\ & \text { children } \end{aligned}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | DPT |  |  |  | Polio |  |  |  |  | All ${ }^{1}$ | None |  |  |
|  | BCG | 1 | 2 | $3+$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { DPT } \\ \text { booster } \end{gathered}$ | 1 . | 2 | $3+$ | Polio booster | Measles |  |  |  |  |
| Sex of calld |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Male | 16.8 | 96.8 | 96.1 | 94.4 | 33.2 | 97.4 | 96.6 | 95.0 | 33.9 | 89.4 | 87.7 | 2.5 | 63.7 | 814 |
| Female | 16.8 | 98.1 | 97.4 | 95.3 | 34.7 | 98.2 | 97.6 | 95.6 | 34.9 | 89.5 | 88.0 | 1.7 | 64.4 | 801 |
| Birth order |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 16.4 | 97.3 | 97.2 | 95.7 | 37.5 | 97.7 | 97.5 | 96.1 | 37.1 | 91.4 | 89.3 | 1.6 | 70.0 | 270 |
| 2-3 | 16.8 | 99.1 | 98.2 | 95.9 | 36.1 | 99.5 | 98.9 | 97.1 | 36.7 | 91.0 | 89.2 | 0.5 | 65.1 | 432 |
| 4.5 | 16.7 | 97.9 | 97.6 | 96.2 | 30.9 | 98.0 | 97.8 | 96.3 | 30.9 | 87.8 | 87.4 | 2.0 | 62.5 | 314 |
| $6+$ | 17.0 | 96.2 | 95.0 | 93.0 | 32.4 | 96.5 | 95.3 | 93.1 | 33.4 | 88.2 | 86.5 | 3.5 | 61.3 | 600 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Large ciry | 25.7 | 97.5 | 97.3 | 94.9 | 32.5 | 98.0 | 98.0 | 95.6 | 32.8 | 88.1 | 86.0 | 2.0 | 65.9 | 605 |
| Other arban | 14.2 | 97.4 | 95.9 | 94.4 | 34.8 | 97.6 | 96.3 | 95.0 | 35.5 | 89.0 | 87.7 | 2.4 | 66.2 | 531 |
| Rural | 8.3 | 97.6 | 97.0 | 95.3 | 34.9 | 97.7 | 96.9 | 95.2 | 35.3 | 91.6 | 90.4 | 1.9 | 59.3 | 480 |
| Region |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Amman | 21.3 | 97.1 | 96.8 | 95.1 | 29.0 | 97.5 | 97.3 | 95.5 | 29.0 | 87.9 | 86.8 | 2.5 | 64.4 | 568 |
| Zarqa + Mafraq | 12.7 | 97.2 | 95.7 | 92.9 | 38.4 | 97.6 | 96.0 | 93.3 | 38.7 | 86.3 | 84.4 | 2.4 | 70.3 | 331 |
| Intid | 14.0 | 98.2 | 97.3 | 96.1 | 37.1 | 98.4 | 97.5 | 96.9 | 38.1 | 92.6 | 91.2 | 1.3 | 66.8 | 445 |
| Balqa | 35.8 | 99.0 | 99.0 | 97.3 | 29.0 | 99.3 | 99.3 | 97.4 | 31.6 | 96.7 | 92.7 | 0.0 | 35.1 | 104 |
| South | 4.8 | 96.6 | 95.9 | 92.9 | 36.7 | 96.9 | 96.2 | 93.2 | 36.1 | 87.6 | 86.4 | 3.1 | 61.0 | 167 |
| Education level attended |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| No education | 14.4 | 94.6 | 92.4 | 88.9 | 32.6 | 95.1 | 92.6 | 88.8 | 33.3 | 84.8 | 82.1 | 4.9 | 55.8 | 300 |
| Primary | 18.8 | 96.7 | 96.7 | 95.1 | 34.3 | 96.7 | 96.7 | 95.2 | 35.0 | 89.8 | 89.1 | 3.3 | 65.4 | 344 |
| Secondary More than secondary | 17.5 | 98.4 | 97.7 | 96.1 | 33.2 | 98.9 | 98.4 | 96.9 | 33.5 | 90.2 | 88.6 | 0.9 | 68.6 | 765 |
|  | 14.0 | 99.6 | 99.6 | 98.3 | 38.3 | 99.6 | 99.6 | 98.9 | 38.3 | 92.6 | 91.4 | 0.4 | 56.8 | 207 |
| Toal | 16.8 | 97.5 | 96.7 | 94.8 | 34.0 | 97.8 | 97.1 | 95.3 | 34.4 | 89.4 | 87.9 | 2.1 | 64.0 | 1615 |

${ }^{1}$ Children who are fully vaccinated, i.e., those who have received measles and three doses of DPT and polio vaccines (does not include BCG or DPT and polio boosiers).

## Vaccination Trends in the First Year of Life

Table 8.9 presents information on vaccination coverage in the first year of life for children one to four years of age (i.e., the five years preceding the survey). For children whose information was based on the mother's report, the proportion of vaccinations given during the first year of life was assumed to be the same as that for children for whom a health card was available.

## Table 8.9 Vaccinations in the first year of life

Percentage of children one to four years of age for whom a vaccination card was seen by the interviewer and the percentage vaccinated for BCG, DPT, polio, and measles by 12 months of age, by current age of the child, Jordan 1990

|  | Current age of child in months |  |  |  | All children <br> 12-59 |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Vaccine | $12-23$ | $24-35$ | $36-47$ | $48-59$ |  |
| months |  |  |  |  |  |

${ }^{1}$ Information was obtained from a vaccination card or from the mother if there was no written record. For children whose information was based on the mother's report, the proportion of vaccinations given during the first year of life was assumed to be the same as for children with a written record of vaccinations.
${ }^{2}$ Children who are fully vaccinated, i.e., those who have received measles and three doses of DPT and polio vaccines (does not include BCG or DPT and polio boosters)

The table shows some progress in the provision of preventive health measures, especially during the past four years. Overall, coverage of vaccination cards increased from 50 percent around 1986 to 64 percent in 1990, although the lower percentage for older children may be due to the failure of the mother to show the health card to the interviewer. (The card is kept at school once the child enters primary school.) Coverage for polio, DPT and measles vaccinations shows an increase between children age 48-59 months and those age $36-47$ months (roughly 1986 and 1987), then remains largely unchanged among younger children. As mentioned earlier, the health program in Jordan does not emphasize BCG vaccinations; this is reflected by the decreasing proportion of children who have received this vaccination in the most recent years.

### 8.3 CHILD MORBIDITY AND TREATMENT

Diarrhea is singled out for investigation in this survey for two reasons: it is a leading cause of death among children in many developing countries, and the condition is amenable to treatment by oral rehydration therapy (ORT). The Jordan Ministry of Health includes ORT-both as a solution prepared from commercially produced oral rehydration salts (ORS packets) and as a homemade solution recommended by the World Health Org-anization-in its health programs.

In the 1990 JPFHS, mothers who had children under five were asked if their children had experienced diarrhea in the two weeks preceding the survey. If so, they were asked if the children were given a solution prepared from ORS packets or a homemade solution.

## Prevalence of Diarrhea

Nine percent of children under five had diarthea in the two weeks preceding the survey (see Table 8.10 and Figure 8.3). There is little variation by sex of the child, residence, or mother's education. However, children under two years of age, especially those age 6-11 months, are more likely than older children to have had diarrhea. Only a small fraction of children were reported to have had bloody stools, a symptom of dysentery.

## Knowledge and Use of ORS Packets

Table 8.11 presents data on mothers' knowledge and use of ORS packets. In the survey, all women with children under five, irrespective of whether they had diarrhea in the preceding two weeks were asked if they had ever heard of the ORS packets (Aquacell or Paralait) and if they had ever used them. The responses indicated that treatment of diarmea using ORS packets is well known. Virtually all women with children under five years (99 percent) said they knew about ORS, and there was no variation among subgroups.

## Table 8.10 Prevalence of diarrhea

Percentage of children under five years of age who had diarrhea and bloody diarrhea during the two weeks preceding the survey, by selected background characteristics, Jordan 1990

| Background characteristic | Diarrhea in the preceding 2 weeks |  | Number children |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | All diarrhes | Diarthea with blood |  |
| Age of child |  |  |  |
| <6 months | 14.5 | 0.4 | 654 |
| 6-11 months | 17.9 | 0.0 | 819 |
| 12-23 months | 15.7 | 0.1 | 1615 |
| 24.35 months | 5.3 | 0.0 | 1629 |
| 36-47 months | 3.3 | 0.1 | 1618 |
| 48.59 months | 2.3 | 0.1 | 1547 |
| Sex of child |  |  |  |
| Male | 8.7 | 0.1 | 4013 |
| Female | 8.3 | 0.0 | 3869 |
| Birth order |  |  |  |
| 1 | 12.3 | 0.2 | 1267 |
| 2-3 | 9.1 | 0.1 | 2086 |
| 4-5 | 6.6 | 0.0 | 1631 |
| 6+ | 7.5 | 0.1 | 2899 |
| Residence |  |  |  |
| Large city | 8.7 | 0.1 | 2897 |
| Other urban | 8.9 | 0.2 | 2608 |
| Rural | 7.9 | 0.0 | 2378 |
| Region |  |  |  |
| Amman | 8.5 | 0.0 | 2812 |
| Zarqa + Mafraq | 8.6 | 0.1 | 1596 |
| Irbid | 10.0 | 0.1 | 2074 |
| Balqa | 3.4 | 0.0 | 568 |
| South | 8.1 | 0.0 | 832 |
| Mother's level of education |  |  |  |
| No education | 7.7 | 0.0 | 1558 |
| Primary | 7.5 | 0.0 | 1669 |
| Secondary | 9.7 | 0.1 | 3746 |
| More than secondary | 6.9 | 0.1 | 910 |
| All children | 8.5 | 0.1 | 7882 |

Note: Figures are for children bom in the period 1-59 months preceding the survey.

Use of ORS to treat diarrhea is widespread in Jordan. More than 64 percent of mothers with children under five have used it; older women, women living in rural areas, and those with less education are more likely to have used the ORS packet (Aquacell) than other women.


## Treatment of Diarrhea

The JPFHS collected information on the advice and treatment sought by mothers for their children with diarthea, and what was given to treat the diarrhea episode. The various diarrhea treatments can be classified into three major categories, namely antibiotics, ORS, and homemade solutions. Homemade solutions include sugar water, tea, rice water, and various herbal teas such as yansoon, meramya and babunij.

## Table 8.11 Knowledge and use of ORS packets

Percentage of mothers with births in the five years preceding the survey who know about and have ever used ORS packets, by selected background characteristics, Jordan 1990

| Background characteristic | Know about ORS packets | Have ever used ORS packets | Number of mothers |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Mother's age |  |  |  |
| 15-19 | 99.2 | 52.2 | 180 |
| 20-24 | 99.3 | 61.5 | 829 |
| 25-29 | 99.1 | 66.5 | 1163 |
| 30-34 | 98.2 | 65.0 | 969 |
| 35+ | 97.6 | 65.7 | 1281 |
| Residence |  |  |  |
| Large city | 99.3 | 61.9 | 1703 |
| Other urban | 98.6 | 63.2 | 1468 |
| Rural | 97.3 | 69.3 | 1251 |
| Reglon |  |  |  |
| Amman | 98.3 | 60.3 | 1661 |
| Zarqa + Mafraq | 98.6 | 64.3 | 904 |
| Irbid | 99.7 | 73.7 | 1093 |
| Balqa | 98.6 | 59.4 | 303 |
| South | 96.4 | 61.0 | 461 |
| Education level attended |  |  |  |
| No education | 95.8 | 67.8 | 880 |
| Primary | 98.9 | 68.2 | 949 |
| Secondery | 99.2 | 63.3 | 2083 |
| Higher | 99.6 | 56.3 | 509 |
| All mothers | 98.5 | 64.4 | 4421 |

Note: Includes mothers who have given ORS for diarrhea during the past two weeks, although they were not asked about knowledge of ORS packets.

Data conceming treatment of diarrhea are presented in Table 8.12. Among children under five who had diarthea in the two weeks preceding the survey, half were taken to a health facility, such as a hospital, health center, or private doctor. Younger children, children living in rural areas, children of higher birth order, children from the South, and children of mothers with no education are more likely to have received advice and treatment from a health facility than other children.

## Table 8.12 Treatment of diarrhea

Percentage of children under five years who had diarrhea in the two weeks preceding the survey who were taken for treatment to a health facility or provider, the percentage who received oral rehydration therapy (ORT), the percentage who received neither ORT nor increased fluids, and the percentage who received antibiotics, according to selected background characteristics, Jordan 1990

| Background characteristic | Percentage taken to a health facility or provider ${ }^{1}$ | Oral rehydration therapy (ORT) |  | Percentage receiving neither ORT nor e increased fluids | Percentage receiving antiblotics | Number of children with diamhea |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | ORS packets | $\begin{gathered} \text { Homemade } \\ \text { solution } \end{gathered}$ |  |  |  |
| Age of chlld |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| <6 months | 49.2 | 31.3 | 64.9 | 23.7 | 27.1 | 95 |
| $6-11$ months | 53.6 | 48.3 | 65.6 | 17.8 | 28.1 | 147 |
| 12-23 months | 56.6 | 46.5 | 62.8 | 22.4 | 36.6 | 254 |
| 24-35 months | 33.2 | 33.0 | 68.0 | 23.6 | 23.1 | 86 |
| 36-47 months | 44.2 | 33.1 | 65.3 | 27.1 | 30.1 | 53 |
| 48-59 months | 39.1 | 41.0 | 59.6 | 28.6 | 19.3 | 35 |
| Sex of chitd |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Male | 50.1 | 44.1 | 66.6 | 20.9 | 30.1 | 348 |
| Female | 49.9 | 39.1 | 62.1 | 24.0 | 30.4 | 323 |
| Birth order |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 46.9 | 38.6 | 66.9 | 22.5 | 29.3 | 155 |
| 2-3 | 46.5 | 38.8 | 65.0 | 21.3 | 28.2 | 189 |
| 4.5 | 47.9 | 39.9 | 59.3 | 23.6 | 33.0 | 107 |
| $6+$ | 56.3 | 47.2 | 64.7 | 22.8 | 31.3 | 219 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Large city | 43.6 | 39.2 | 60.0 | 28.4 | 30.1 | 252 |
| Other urban | 50.9 | 38.4 | 66.2 | 21.9 | 30.9 | 232 |
| Rural | 57.6 | 49.1 | 68.2 | 15.0 | 29.6 | 187 |
| Region |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Amman | 43.8 | 33.0 | 61.6 | 29.5 | 27.6 | 238 |
| Zarqa + Mafraq | 45.2 | 35.3 | 58.0 | 27.6 | 25.0 | 138 |
| Irbid | 53.8 | 51.6 | 72.7 | 13.0 | 31.5 | 208 |
| Balqa | 59.5 | 49.4 | 81.5 | 13.2 | 48.0 | 20 |
| South | 67.1 | 52.6 | 57.0 | 18.6 | 40.9 | 68 |
| Education level attended |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| No education | 63.1 | 50.1 | 58.4 | 23.9 | 35.2 | 121 |
| Primary | 50.4 | 44.2 | 69.2 | 18.6 | 28.4 | 124 |
| Secondary | 46.0 | 39.7 | 66.2 | 21.8 | 28.1 | 363 |
| More than secondary | 47.2 | 32.2 | 56.2 | 30.8 | 37.2 | 63 |
| All children with diarrhea | 50.0 | 41.7 | 64.4 | 22.4 | 30.2 | 671 |

Note: Oral rehydration therapy (ORT) includes solution prepared from ORS packets and homernade solutions such as sugar water, tea, and rice water. Figures are for children born in the period 1-59 months preceding the survey.
${ }^{1}$ Includes hospital, health center, maternal and child health center and clinic

Columns 2,3, and 4 of Table 8.12 present information on the use of oral rehydration therapy to treat diarthea. It should be noted that the percents may add up to more than 100 , since more than one treatment may have been given. Of the different types of treatment administered, home solution is the most popular, used to treat more than 64 percent of children with diarrhea. The next most popular treatment is ORS packets, used to treat 42 percent of children. Twenty-two percent of children who had diarrhea were not given either of these types of oral rehydration therapy. Children of higher birth order, children living in rural areas or in the South, and children of women who have no education are slightly more likely to been given a solution prepared from an ORS packet than other children.

Antibiotics were administered to 30 percent of children who had diarrhea in the two weeks preceding the survey. This is a high proportion in comparison with other countries participating in the DHS program.

## Breastfeeding Practices During Diarrhea

The JPFHS included questions on breastfeeding practices for children who had diarrhea in the two weeks preceding the survey. Mothers were asked about any changes in the frequency of breastfeeding for children not yet weaned.

For most children with diarthea there was no change in the number of times they were breastfed (see Table 8.13). As much as 90 percent of the children received the same amount of breast milk or more. However, almost ten percent received less or no milk at all.

| Table 8.13 Breastfeeding practices during |
| :--- |
| diamhea <br> Percent distribution of children under five |
| who are still being breasted and who had <br> diarrhea in the preceding two weeks by <br> frequency of breasfeeding, Jordan 1990 |

## CHAPTER 9

## INFANT FEEDING AND CHILDHOOD NUTRITION

In this chapter, two topics are examined: infant feeding practices (including breastfeeding, supplementary foods and the use of a bottle with a nipple while breastfeeding) and the nutritional status of children under five years of age. Both mother and child are affected by infant feeding. The duration, frequency, and amount of feeding affect the child's nutritional status, which influences the chances of survival. Breastfeeding affects the mother through postpartum infertility, which, in turn, influences the subsequent birth interval and overall fertility.

The nutritional status of children is assessed in terms of anthropometric measurements (height and weight). Combined with information on feeding practices these data indicate to program planners and policymakers the population subgroups and health services that need the greatest attention.

### 9.1 BREASTFEEDING AND SUPPLEMENTATION

Breastfeeding is almost universal in Jordan; 94 percent of infants are breastfed. There is virtually no variation among subgroups. Table 9.1 presents information on the extent of breastfeeding for living children (columns 1 and 2), and the timing of initiation of breastfeeding for last-bom children (columns 3 and 4).

Breastfeeding is initiated early; 41 percent of newboms are breastfed during the first hour after birth, while 66 percent are given breast milk in the first day of life. Differentials by background characteristics are minor except that children bom to women in Balqa are likely to be put to the breast sooner than average, while those bom to women in Irbid are likely to experience a delay in initiation of breastfeeding.

Table 9.2 presents information on breastfeeding practices for living children under three years of age. Three types of breastfeeding are distinguished: exclusive breastfeeding, full breastfeeding (augmented by plain water only), and breastfeeding supplemented with other foods. Nearly all children are breastfed for at least some time. However, by age $4-5$ months, only 84 percent of the children are breastfed, and after 9 months this percentage drops to 66 percent. Exclusive breastfeeding is not common; less than 40 percent of infants age $0-1$ month are exclusively breastfed.

Table 9.3 shows the percentage of breastfeeding children who are receiving food supplements and the percentage who are being bottlefed (using a bottle with a nipple). More than half of all children received a supplement in the first month. It should be noted that the analysis is limited to infants (children 0-11 months). Also, the supplementation categories are not mutually exclusive, i.e., infants given one of the supplements may also have been given one or more of the supplements in the columns to the left of that particular supplement. For example, an infant that was given solid or mushy food may also have been given one or more of the following supplements: infant formula, other milk, and other liquids.

The introduction of supplements begins early (see Table 9.3); almost half of infants who are breastfed are given liquids other than infant formula or other milk. Among children who are breastfed, infant formula and other milk are given to less than one in five children. As expected, as age increases, more and more infants are given solid or mushy food. The proportion of children given solid or mushy food increases markedly after the first three months. By age 4-5 months, more than half of the children are given solid or mushy food, and by 10-11 months three-quarters of breastfeeding children are given solid or mushy food.

## Table 9.1 Initial breastfeeding

Percentage of children born in the five years preceding the survey who were ever breasted and the percentage of last-born children who started breastfeeding within one hour and within one day of birth. by selected background characteristics, Jordan 1990

| Background charscteristic | Among all children |  | Among last-born children |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | Percentage who started breasfeeding |  | Number of last-born children |
|  | Percentage ever breastfed | Number of children | Within 1 hour of birth | Within 1 day of birch |  |
| Time since birth |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0-11 months | 94.8 | 1599 | 41.0 | 66.9 | 1598 |
| 12-23 months | 93.9 | 1677 | 41.5 | 67.7 | 1346 |
| 24-35 months | 93.7 | 1695 | 41.6 | 63.6 | 763 |
| 36-47 months | 93.0 | 1682 | 36.3 | 61.7 | 453 |
| 48-59 months | 93.6 | 1608 | 40.6 | 62.5 | 323 |
| Sex of child |  |  |  |  |  |
| Male | 93.6 | 4207 | 40.0 | 64.1 | 2317 |
| Female | 93.9 | 4054 | 41.5 | 67.5 | 2167 |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |
| Large city | 92.8 | 3037 | 40.9 | 65.5 | 1725 |
| Other urban | 94.4 | 2712 | 42.2 | 66.3 | 1489 |
| Rural | 94.2 | 2512 | 38.9 | 65.3 | 1269 |
| Reglon |  |  |  |  |  |
| Amman | 93.3 | 2952 | 41.5 | 62.8 | 1682 |
| Zarqa + Mafraq | 93.4 | 1668 | 47.7 | 70.3 | 918 |
| Irbid | 94.9 | 2181 | 22.7 | 60.6 | 1108 |
| Balqa | 91.9 | 582 | 73.8 | 81.3 | 310 |
| South | 94.2 | 879 | 45.3 | 69.0 | 466 |
| Education level attended |  |  |  |  |  |
| No education | 92.9 | 1629 | 40.7 | 63.9 | 893 |
| Primary | 93.6 | 1762 | 39.7 | 66.6 | 962 |
| Secondary | 94.1 | 3921 | 42.2 | 66.8 | 2110 |
| More than secondary | 94.0 | 949 | 37.1 | 62.7 | 518 |
| Assistance at delivery |  |  |  |  |  |
| Medically trained | 93.5 | 7209 | 40.1 | 65.3 | 3984 |
| Traditional midwife | 95.6 | 709 | 44.4 | 70.9 | 330 |
| Other or none | 94.5 | 343 | 48.8 | 66.5 | 170 |
| Place of delivery |  |  |  |  |  |
| Health facility | 93.4 | 6487 | 40.3 | 65.5 | 3645 |
| At home | 95.1 | 1644 | 42.7 | 66.0 | 769 |
| Other | 96.9 | 129 | 46.3 | 75.6 | 68 |
| Missing | 69.8 | 2 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0 |
| All children | 93.8 | 8261 | 40.8 | 65.7 | 4483 |

## Table 9.2 Breastfeeding status

Percent distribution of living children by breastfeeding status, according to child's age in months, Jordan 1990

| Age in months | Percentage of living children who are: |  |  |  | Total |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Not breastfeeding | Exclusively breastfed | Breastfeeding and: |  |  |
|  |  |  | Plain water only | Supplements |  |
| 0-1 | 3.0 | 38.9 | 5.2 | 52.9 | 100.0 |
| 2-3 | 9.7 | 24.8 | 8.2 | 57.2 | 100.0 |
| 4-5 | 15.6 | 9.8 | 7.2 | 67.5 | 100.0 |
| 6.7 | 27.9 | 6.4 | 6.1 | 59.6 | 100.0 |
| 8-9 | 33.7 | 3.4 | 3.5 | 59.4 | 100.0 |
| 10-11 | 33.8 | 3.5 | 6.7 | 55.9 | 100.0 |
| 12-13 | 47.5 | 2.2 | 2.7 | 47.6 | 100.0 |
| 14-15 | 67.0 | 2.1 | 0.7 | 30.1 | 100.0 |
| 16-17 | 67.9 | 1.4 | 1.0 | 29.7 | 100.0 |
| 18-19 | 81.3 | 1.4 | 0.6 | 16.7 | 100.0 |
| 20-21 | 84.9 | 0.4 | 0.2 | 14.6 | 100.0 |
| 22-23 | 90.0 | 0.4 | 0.7 | 8.9 | 100.0 |
| 24-25 | 93.5 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 6.5 | 100.0 |
| 26-27 | 98.0 | 0.2 | 0.4 | 1.5 | 100.0 |
| 28-29 | 97.5 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 2.5 | 100.0 |
| 30-31 | 96.9 | 0.0 | 0.4 | 2.7 | 100.0 |
| 32-33 | 97.3 | 0.0 | 0.3 | 2.5 | 100.0 |
| 34-35 | 99.4 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.6 | 100.0 |

Note: Breastfeeding status refers to preceding 24 hours. Children classified as breastfeeding and plain water only receive no supplements.

| Table 9.3 Breasticeding and supplementation |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Percentage of breastfeeding children who are receiving specific types of food supplementation, and the percentage who are using a botle with a nipple, by age in months, Jordan 1990 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Age in months | Percentage of breasfeeding children who are: |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Receiving supplement |  |  |  | Using a botle with a nipple |  |
|  | Infant formula | Other milk | Other liquid | Solid/ <br> Mushy |  |  |
| 0-1 | 12.4 | 3.1 | 47.9 | 0.8 | 19.8 | 220 |
| 2-3 | 18.1 | 15.0 | 44.5 | 12.9 | 32.6 | 225 |
| 4-5 | 22.8 | 18.3 | 42.9 | 52.6 | 39.6 | 218 |
| 6-7 | 20.4 | 23.1 | 51.3 | 64.3 | 33.7 | 192 |
| 8-9 | 17.5 | 22.0 | 59.7 | 73.5 | 31.2 | 182 |
| 10-11 | 12.8 | 28.4 | 59.7 | 73.7 | 26.6 | 184 |
| All ages | 17.4 | 18.8 | 51.3 | 48.1 | 30.8 | 1221 |

Note: Figures are for the preceding 24 hours. Percents by type of supplement may sum to more than 100, as children may have received more than one type of supplement.

The extent to which a bottle with a nipple is used to feed infants who are being breastfed is shown in Table 9.3. On average, 31 percent of these infants are given a bottle with a nipple. A bottle is given to two in ten infants 0-1 month, 4 in 10 infants $4-5$ months, after which the proportion declines.

Table 9.4 presents the differentials in breastfeeding pattems between subgroups. The median durations are based on children born 0 to 35 months preceding the survey, irrespective of their survival status. The median duration of breastfeeding is 12 months; however, the median for exclusive breastfeeding is just over one-half month. Column 1 indicates a slight variation in breastfeeding duration across subgroups. Children in large cities, children of women with secondary or higher education, and those who were assisted by medically trained personnel at delivery tend to have somewhat shorter breastfeeding durations. Mother's education and type of assistance at delivery have the strongest associations with breastfeeding patterns. Children of rural women and women who have no education tend to be breastfed longer and more frequently than other children.

Regarding frequency of breastfeeding (see Table 9.4), 77 percent of breastfed children were given breast milk six times or more in the preceding 24 hours; the figures ranges from 74 percent for children in large cities to 81 percent for rural children, and from 85 percent for children of mothers who have no education to 67 percent for children whose mothers attended more than secondary education.

## Table 9.4 Median duration and frequency of breastfeeding

Median duration of any breasfeeding, exclusive breastfeeding, and full breastfeeding, and the percentage of children under six months of age who were breastfed six or more times in the $\mathbf{2 4}$ hours preceding the survey, by selected to background characteristics, Jordan 1990

| Background cherecteristic | Median duration in months |  |  |  | Children under 6 months |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Any breastfeeding | Exclusive breastfeeding | Full breastfeeding ${ }^{1}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Number } \\ & \text { of } \\ & \text { children } \end{aligned}$ | Percentage breastfed $6+$ times in preceding 24 hours |  |
| Sex of child |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Male | 12.6 | 0.6 | 0.6 | 2520 | 78.8 | 368 |
| Female | 12.1 | 0.6 | 0.7 | 2451 | 74.7 | 367 |
| Resldence |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Large city | 11.3 | 0.6 | 0.6 | 1846 | 74.5 | 265 |
| Other urban | 12.5 | 0.7 | 1.0 | 1633 | 75.8 | 261 |
| Rural | 13.2 | 0.6 | 0.7 | 1493 | 80.9 | 208 |
| Region |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Amman | 12.1 | 0.6 | 0.6 | 1789 | 79.9 | 250 |
| Zarqa + Mafraq | 12.7 | 0.7 | 0.7 | 996 | 77.5 | 141 |
| Irtid | 12.1 | 0.6 | 0.6 | 1313 | 74.6 | 206 |
| Balqa | 13.7 | 0.4 | 0.6 | 335 | 69.1 | 51 |
| South | 12.0 | 0.7 | 0.7 | 539 | 76.1 | 86 |
| Education level attended |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| No education | 16.2 | 0.7 | 1.3 | 861 | 84.8 | 88 |
| Primary | 13.2 | 0.6 | 0.6 | 1006 | 74.9 | 137 |
| Secondary | 11.6 | 0.6 | 0.6 | 2471 | 78.7 | 389 |
| More than secondary | 10.2 | 0.5 | 0.7 | 634 | 66.6 | 121 |
| Assistance at delivery |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Medically trained | 12.1 | 0.6 | 0.7 | 4424 | 76.9 | 685 |
| Traditional midwife | 15.1 | 0.6 | 0.6 | 364 | 67.7 | 33 |
| Other or None | 14.2 | 2.3 | 2.3 | 184 | 87.8 | 15 |
| All children | 12.3 | 0.6 | 0.7 | 4971 | 76.7 | 734 |
| Mean for all children | 13.0 | 2.5 | 3.3 | 94.1 | 94.1 | NA |
| Prevalence/ncidence ${ }^{2}$ | 12.2 | 1.7 | 2.5 | NA | NA | NA |

Note: Medians and means are based on current status. Proportion of children ever breastfed is 94.1 percent.
NA = Not applicable
${ }^{1}$ Either exclusively breastfed or received plain water only in addition to breastfeeding
${ }^{2}$ Prevalence/incidence mean

### 9.2 NUTRITIONAL STATUS

An important component of the JPFHS was the collection of anthropometric data for the assessment of children's nutritional status. All children bom since January 1985 whose mothers were interviewed in the survey were measured. The measurements included height (i.e., recumbent length), weight, head and arm circumference, and arm fat. Height and weight were measured using a portable measuring board and a hanging spring scale calibrated in 0.1 kilogram increments. Head and arm circumference were measured using a tape, while fat tissue was determined by pinching the arm. Only the height and weight data are presented in this report.

The results of surveys of this type are strongly influenced by the accuracy of the height and weight measurements, as well as age reporting. An investigation of the dating of events in Jordan found that age reporting for children was excellent. Month and year of birth were obtained for 98 percent of children of respondents, and no apparent heaping is observed from the age distribution. To ensure accurate measurement, the Ministry of Health provided each field team with a nurse to weigh and measure the children. The nurse was assisted by a supervisor or field editor, who was trained in the collection of anthropometric measurements.

The procedures used to measure the children were those recommended by the United Nations (1986). During fieldwork, the factory-made pants which came with the scales were often found to be too small. This was particularly true in the case of older children. To resolve the problem, larger pants were made which could be used in measuring older/arger children.

For comparative purposes, the data on nutritional status are evaluated using the National Center for Health Statistics/Centers for Disease Control (NCHS/CDC) International Reference Population, as recommended by the World Health Organization. Of 9,559 children under five whose mothers were interviewed, 82 percent were successfully measured. The major reasons for not measuring the children were because the children were absent from the household (11 percent), or they refused ( 3 percent). Interviewers were instructed to measure children under two years of age lying down on the measuring board (recumbent length), while children two years or more were measured standing. It was found, however, that 47 percent of children under two years were measured standing, and 5 percent of children two years or more were measured lying down. Part of the error may have occurred in coding the method of measurement.

Three standard indices have been developed to assess nutritional status:

- Height-for-age
- Weight-for-height
- Weight-for-age

Each of these indices provides a somewhat different measure of nutritional status. Height-for-age is used as a measure of linear growth. Children who are short for their age are generally chronically undernourished. A child whose height-for-age is below -2 standard deviations from the median of the NCHS/CDC/WHO reference population is suffering from moderate to severe linear growth retardation, and is classified as stunted. In the reference population, the percentage of children who fall in this category is 2.3 percent. A percentage exceeding this number is a reflection of the prevalence of stunting in the population, which may be caused by a long period of malnutrition or recurrent and chronic illness. The weight-for-height index examines body mass in relation to body length, and is used as an indicator of current and acute undernutrition (wasting). Weight-for-age is a useful summary index, particularly in monitoring growth of children in a clinical situation. Although taking into account both chronic and acute undemutrition, it has
the disadvantage that it does not distinguish the two. The data are presented here to allow for comparison with clinical data.

Information from the JPFHS on the nutritional status of children is summarized in Tables 9.5 and 9.6. (Table 9.5 gives the distribution of children by selected demographic characteristics; Table 9.6 gives the distribution of children by selected background characteristics.) Overall, children in Jordan do well in terms of weight-for-height (wasting); only 2.8 percent are acutely undernourished (below -2 standard deviations). However, 19 percent of children are chronically undernourished (stunted) for weight-for-height (below -2 standard deviations); and 6 percent are underweight (below -2 standard deviations) for weight-for-age.

## Table 9.5 Nutritional status by demographic characteristics

Percentage of children under five years who are classified as undernourished according to three anthropometric indices of nutritional status: height-for-age, weight-for-height and weight-for-age, by selected demographic charecteristics, Jordan 1990

| Demographic characteristic | Height-for-age |  | Weight-for-height |  | Weight-for-age |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Percentage below -3SD | Percentage below $-2 S D^{1}$ | Percentage below -3SD | $\begin{gathered} \text { Percentage } \\ \text { below } \\ -2 S D^{1} \end{gathered}$ | Percentage below -3SD | Percentage below $-2 \mathrm{SD}^{1}$ |  |
| Child's age |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| <6 months | 0.5 | 3.6 | 0.4 | 4.0 | 0.6 | 1.7 | 594 |
| 6-11 months | 4.5 | 14.6 | 0.9 | 4.6 | 1.9 | 6.0 | 704 |
| 12-23 months | 6.3 | 22.9 | 0.8 | 3.4 | 1.1 | 7.4 | 1409 |
| 24-35 months | 5.6 | 20.8 | 0.2 | 1.9 | 0.7 | 6.8 | 1373 |
| 36-47 months | 6.5 | 22.4 | 0.3 | 2.0 | 0.6 | 7.5 | 1340 |
| 48-59 months | 5.0 | 20.3 | 0.4 | 2.5 | 0.7 | 6.3 | 1182 |
| Sex of child |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Male | 5.7 | 19.6 | 0.7 | 3.5 | 1.0 | 6.7 | 3307 |
| Female | 4.8 | 18.9 | 0.3 | 2.2 | 0.7 | 6.2 | 3294 |
| Birth order |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 3.6 | 15.3 | 0.3 | 3.3 | 0.7 | 6.0 | 1021 |
| 2-3 | 4.4 | 17.2 | 0.4 | 2.2 | 0.8 | 5.8 | 1703 |
| 4.5 | 6.0 | 20.1 | 0.4 | 2.5 | 0.7 | 6.0 | 1401 |
| $6+$ | 6.1 | 21.8 | 0.7 | 3.3 | 1.1 | 7.3 | 2475 |
| Birth interval |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| First birth | 3.6 | 15.4 | 0.3 | 3.2 | 0.6 | 6.0 | 1032 |
| $<24$ months | 6.1 | 21.7 | 0.3 | 2.6 | 1.0 | 6.8 | 2744 |
| 24-47 months | 5.3 | 19.8 | 0.8 | 3.0 | 0.9 | 6.7 | 2293 |
| 48+ months | 3.8 | 11.5 | 0.7 | 3.1 | 0.4 | 4.1 | 531 |
| All children | 5.3 | 19.3 | 0.5 | 2.8 | 0.9 | 6.4 | 6601 |

Note: Figures are for children bom in the period 1-59 months preceding the survey. Each index is expressed in terms of the number of standard deviation (SD) units from the inedian of the NCHS/CDC/WHO international reference population. Children are classified as undemourished if their z -scores are below minus two or minus three standard deviations (-2SD or 3SD) from the median of the reference population.
${ }^{1}$ Includes children who are below -3SD

The demographic differentials in nutritional status are generally small (see Table 9.5). Stunting is low during infancy, especially at age $0-6$ months, increases in the second year of life, then remains about the same through age five. Wasting is more common in infancy than at older ages. In terms of nutritional status, girls are better off than boys, especially for wasting. High birth order children show a greater degree of stunting than low birth order children ( 15 percent for first-order children and 22 percent for children of birth order 6 and higher). Children who are born after a long birth interval (4 years or more) are less likely to be stunted than children bom after a short birth interval.

Stunting and wasting are strongly associated with residence and level of education (see Table 9.6 and Figure 9.1). Rural children and children of mothers who did not attend school are twice as likely to be stunted as children who live in large cities and children of mothers who have attended secondary or higher education.

## Table 9.6 Nutritional status by background characteristics

Percentage of children under five years who are classified as undernourished according to three anthropometric indices of nutritional status: height-for-age, weight-for-height, and weight-for-age, by selected background characteristics, Jordan 1990

| Demographic characteristic | Height-for-age |  |  | ; |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | Weight-for-height * |  | Weight-for-age |  |  |
|  | Percentage below -3SD | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Percentage } \\ & \text { below } \\ & -2 S D^{1} \end{aligned}$ | Percentage below -3SD | Percentage below $-2 S D^{1}$ | Percentage below -3SD | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Percentage } \\ & \text { below } \\ & -2 S D^{1} \end{aligned}$ |  |
| Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Large city | 3.4 | 14.1 | 0.3 | 2.5 | 0.5 | 4.9 | 2447 |
| Other urban | 4.1 | 17.8 | 0.7 | 2.7 | 0.9 | 5.0 | 2184 |
| Rural | 8.9 | 27.3 | 0.6 | 3.5 | 1.3 | 9.9 | 1970 |
| Region |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Amman | 4.9 | 16.4 | 0.7 | 4.0 | 0.9 | 6.4 | 2305 |
| Zarqa + Mafraq | 4.8 | 20.9 | 0.2 | 1.6 | 0.6 | 6.4 | 1397 |
| Irbid | 4.4 | 19.3 | 0.4 | 1.7 | 0.9 | 5.6 | 1825 |
| Balqa | 9.1 | 26.6 | 0.9 | 4.5 | 1.3 | 8.8 | 421 |
| South | 7.5 | 21.2 | 0.6 | 3.6 | 1.0 | 7.5 | 652 |
| Education level attended |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| No education | 8.6 | 28.8 | 0.7 | 3.5 | 1.1 | 10.7 | 1283 |
| Primary | 6.3 | 23.3 | 0.6 | 2.6 | 1.4 | 6.3 | 1423 |
| Secondary | 4.1 | 15.3 | 0.4 | 2.7 | 0.6 | 5.4 | 3161 |
| More than secondary | 2.5 | 11.9 | 0.7 | 2.7 | 0.7 | 3.8 | 733 |
| All children | 5.3 | 19.3 | 0.5 | 2.8 | 0.9 | 6.4 | 6601 |

Note: Figures are for children born in the period 1-59 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 (-2SD or -3SD) from the median of the reference population.
${ }^{1}$ Includes children who are below -3SD

Figure 9.1
Percentage of Children Under Five Years Who are Chronically Undernourished (Stunted) Percent


Note: Percentage of children below -2 SD
from the medlan of the International Reference Population for helght-for-age.

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## APPENDIX A

## SAMPLE DESIGN

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The primary objective of the Jordan Population and Family Health Survey (JPFHS) sample design was to provide reliable estimates of fertility and mortality rates, and of the use of contraceptive methods at the national level and for major subpopulations, namely large cities, other urban areas, and rural areas. Depending on the sample size, reliable estimates can also be provided for each of the largest govemorates, and a group of smaller govemorates. To achieve this objective, a stratified two-stage design was adopted.

The data were collected from all households in the sample areas, using the household questionnaire, and individual questionnaires were administered to all ever-married women aged 15 to 49 who were usual residents in the selected households. Data on height and weight of respondents' children born since January 1985 were also obtained in order to gain insight of the nutritional status of children in Jordan.

The following is a detailed description of the JPFHS sampling design. A description of the field activities involved in the implementation of the sample design is included in Chapter 1 of this report.

## A. 1 Sample Coverage

Administratively, Jordan is divided into 8 govemorates. Most of Jordan's estimated 3.5 million population live in the central and northern highlands along the Jordan River. The three largest govemorates, Amman, lrbid and Zarqa, are clustered in the central and northem parts of the country, constituting approximately 80 percent of the country's population. The remaining 20 percent are shared by 5 govemorates, namely Mafraq in the east, Balqa in the west, and Karak, Ma' an and Tafielah in the south. The JPFHS sample is nationally representative; however, nomads living in remote areas and persons living in institutional quarters such as hotels, dormitories and prisons were excluded from the sample frame.

## A. 2 Sample Design

The JPFHS was designed to be self-weighting, but due to the need to provide separate estimates for the smaller governorates, a weighted design was applied. The sampling frame for the JPFHS was obtained from an updated listing of housing units, pertaining to 1989 and 1990 for major cities, and from population projections for localities in the rest of the country. As mentioned above, the country is classified into three major divisions, large cities, other urban areas, and rural areas. In each category, all localities were stratified according to their size. In localities with a population of less than 5,000 , the first stage sampling unit was the locality itself. In localities with more than 5,000 population, segments of approximately 100 households defined as Ultimate Area Blocks, (UAB) were formed, and used as the primary sampling unit.

A criterion determining the JPFHS sample size was the necessity to have a sufficiently large number of ever-married women in the survey to allow for meaningful analysis. Using information from the 1987 Health, Nutrition, Manpower and Poverty Survey it was estimated that the average number of ever-married women age 15-49 per household was 0.84 with almost no variation across urban-rural areas, and very slight variation among governorates. From the 1983 Jordan Fertility and Family Health Survey (JFFHS), it was found that the level of coverage and response was 92 percent. On the basis of these figures, to yield approximately 6,500 interviews with ever-married women age $15-49$, roughly 8,500 households would have to be visited.

## A. 3 Sample Allocation

A total of 292 sampling units (clusters) were selected at the beginning of the survey for a selfweighted design. However, it was found that the number of selected clusters in each of the five smaller govemorates (Mafraq, Balqa, Karak, Tafielah and Ma'an) was insufficient for obtaining reliable demographic and health estimates at the govemorate level. In order to achieve a minimum sample size for providing these estimates, the number of sampling units in the five smaller govemorates was doubled to $20,40,26,8$, and 20 respectively. Hence, the total number of sampling units increased to 349 . Table A. 1 presents the distribution of the units by governorate and stratum. A total of 134 units are located in major cities, 100 in other urban areas, and 115 in rural areas.

Table A. 1 Distribution of sample points by govemorate and straturn, Jordan 1990

| Stratum | Amman | Irbid | Zarqa | Balqa | Karak | Mafraq | Ma'an | Tafielah | Total |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Urban |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $5,000-9,999$ | 4 | 10 | 1 | 4 | 3 | - | 1 | 1 | 24 |
| $10,000-19,999$ | 2 | 8 | 1 | 8 | 3 | - | 2 | 3 | 27 |
| $20,000-49,999$ | 14 | 2 | 6 | 12 | - | 8 | 7 | - | 49 |
| $50,000+$ | 88 | 16 | 30 | - | - | - | - | - | 134 |
| Rural |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $<500$ | 3 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 15 |
| $500-999$ | 3 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 2 | 4 | 1 | 18 |
| $1,000-1,999$ | 3 | 8 | 1 | 5 | 5 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 28 |
| $2,000-4,999$ | 5 | 22 | 1 | 8 | 10 | 4 | 2 | 2 | 54 |
| Total | 122 | 71 | 42 | 40 | 26 | 20 | 20 | 8 | 349 |

The Department of Statistics in Jordan, in collaboration with DHS staff decided to introduce questions on employment in the household questionnaire. This was done in order to obtain indicators of unemployment at the govemorate level according to specific characteristics (information which was much needed by the Government of Jordan, especially after the Gulf Crisis). The sample size for the household interview was also doubled to obtain these employment indicators, aiming at 17,000 expected interviews without increasing the number of sample clusters (349). The original sampling plan for the individual interview, which aimed at interviewing 6,500 eligible women in 8,500 households, remained unchanged.

The sample clusters for each governorate were then allocated among strata according to their population size in the govemorate. Table A. 1 presents the distribution of these clusters among strata by governorate. In this report, data for Mafraq govemorate are combined with that for Zarqa, while Karak, Tafielah and Ma' an govemorates are grouped as the "South" region.

The last stage of sample design was household selection. Since every household is attached to a housing unit, the ultimate selection should be for housing units rather than households. However, some housing units may not be occupied by households or may not be identified, or the household itself may not be at home at the time of the interview. These issues were considered when selecting the number of housing units to be visited. Based on earlier information, it was estimated that 21,000 housing units should be visited in order to interview 17,000 households (the total household sample size). Regarding the number of housing units per cluster, a total of 60 were selected. Thirty of the 60 predefined housing units were visited for the household interview only; the other 30 were visited for both the household and individual interviews (as applicable). This resulted in a selection of a total of 21,172 housing units.

The fieldwork for the household interview was carried out from September 26 through October 10, 1990, yielding 16,813 households. A total of 16,296 households were interviewed successfully, indicating a response rate of 96.9 percent.

The sample for the individual interview was 10,708 housing units, aiming at locating and interviewing 8,500 households and 6,500 eligible women. A total of 8,590 households were identified; 2,118 other housing units were vacant or destroyed or could not be identified. Of the households identified, 8,333 were successfully interviewed, indicating a response rate of 97.0 percent. In these households, 7,246 women were identified as eligible for the individual interview (i.e., ever-married, age 15-49, and usual member of the household). Of these, 6,461 individual interviews were successfully completed. Thus, the response rate for the individual interview was 89.2 percent and the overall response rate for the JPFHS (the product of the household and the individual response rates) was 86.5 percent.

While there does not appear to be a clear pattem among the household and individual response rates by urban-rural residence, household response rates range from 96.2 percent in the Amman to 98.4 percent in Irbid (see Table A.2). For the individual interview, Irbid again has the highest rate ( 93.0 percent), while Amman shows the lowest response rate ( 86.4 percent). Combining the household and individual response rates, Amman shows the lowest rate ( 83.1 percent), while Irbid has the highest ( 91.6 percent).

## Table A. 2 Results of the houschold and individual interviews by residence and region

Percent distribution of households and eligible women in the sample by results of the household and individual interviews, and household, eligible women and overall response rates, according to residence and region, Jordan 1990

| Result of interview and response rate | Residence |  |  | Region |  |  |  |  | Total |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Large } \\ & \text { city } \end{aligned}$ | Other urban | Rural | Arman | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Zarqa } \\ & \text { and } \\ & \text { Mafraq } \end{aligned}$ | Irbid | Balqa | South |  |
| Selected households |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Completed (C) | 80.8 | 76.4 | 75.7 | 80.1 | 77.6 | 79.6 | 76.2 | 72.1 | 77.8 |
| Household present but no competent respondent $\begin{array}{llllllllll}\text { at home (HP) } & 0.1 & 0.1 & 0.1 & 0.1 & 0.2 & 0.1 & 0.1 & 0.1 & 0.1\end{array}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Postponed (P) | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Refused (R) | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.1 |
| Dwelling not found (DNF) | 2.0 | 2.4 | 2.0 | 2.9 | 2.3 | 1.1 | 2.5 | 1.5 | 2.2 |
| Household absent (HA) | 3.7 | 2.5 | 1.8 | 3.2 | 3.1 | 3.0 | 2.5 | 1.3 | 2.8 |
| Dwelling vacant/address not a dwelling (DV) | 12.6 | 18.1 | 19.9 | 13.1 | 16.3 | 15.7 | 18.5 | 23.7 | 16.5 |
| Dwelling destroyed (DD) | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.3 | 0.1 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.4 | 0.2 |
| Other (0) | 0.4 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.4 | 0.3 | 0.1 | 0.2 | 0.8 | 0.3 |
| Total percent | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Number | 4049 | 3528 | 3131 | 3689 | 1961 | 2126 | 1220 | 1712 | 10708 |
| Household response rate (HRR) ${ }^{1}$ | 97.2 | 96.6 | 97.2 | 96.2 | 96.8 | 98.4 | 96.8 | 97.6 | 97.0 |
| Eliglble women |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Completed (EWC) | 88.6 | 89.0 | 90.1 | 86.4 | 91.5 | 93.0 | 89.2 | 87.5 | 89.2 |
| Not at home (EWNH) | 2.1 | 2.7 | 0.9 | 1.9 | 2.9 | 0.4 | 3.0 | 2.2 | 2.0 |
| Postponed (EWP) | 8.0 | 7.3 | 7.1 | 10.2 | 4.4 | 5.4 | 6.1 | 8.9 | 7.5 |
| Refused (EWR) | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.1 |
| Partly completed (EWPC) | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.1 |
| Other (EWO) | 0.9 | 0.8 | 1.8 | 1.1 | 0.9 | 1.2 | 1.6 | 1.1 | 1.2 |
| Total percent | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Number | 2756 | 2407 | 2083 | 2507 | 1396 | 1405 | 854 | 1084 | 7246 |
| Eligible woman response rate (EWRR) ${ }^{\mathbf{2}}$ | 88.6 | 89.0 | 90.1 | 86.4 | 91.5 | 93.0 | 89.2 | 87.5 | 89.2 |
| Overall response rate (ORR) ${ }^{3}$ | 86.1 | 86.0 | 87.6 | 83.1 | 88.5 | 91.6 | 86.3 | 85.5 | 86.5 |

${ }^{1}$ Using the number of households falling into specific response categories, the household response rate (HRR) is colculated as: C
$\mathrm{C}+\mathrm{HP}+\mathrm{P}+\mathrm{R}+\mathrm{DNF}+\mathrm{HA}$
${ }^{2}$ Using the number of eligible women falling into specific response categories, the eligible woman response rate (EWRR) is calculated as:

EWC
$E W C+E W N H+E W P+E W R+E W P C+E W O$
${ }^{3}$ The overall response rate (ORR) is calculated as:
ORR = HRR * EWRR

## APPENDIX B

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The results from sample surveys are affected by two types of errors, nonsampling error and sampling error. Nonsampling error is due to mistakes made in carrying out field activities, such as failure to locate and interview the correct household, errors in the way the questions are asked, misunderstanding on the part of either the interviewer or the respondent, data entry errors, etc. Although efforts were made during the design and implementation of the JPFHS 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 measured statistically. The sample of women selected in the JPFHS is only one of many samples that could have been selected from the same population, using the same design and expected size. Each one would have yielded results that differed somewhat from the actual sample selected. The sampling error is a measure of the variability between all possible samples; although it is not known exactly, it can be estimated from the survey results.

Sampling error is usually measured in terms of standard error of 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 one can reasonably assured that, apart from nonsampling errors, the true value of the variable for the whole population falls. For example, for any given statistic calculated from a sample survey, the value of that same statistic as measured in 95 percent of all possible samples with the same design (and expected size) will fall within a range of plus or minus two times the standard error of that statistic.

If the sample of women had been selected as a simple random sample, it would have been possible to use straightforward formulas for calculating sampling errors. However, the JPFHS sample design depended on stratification, stages and clusters. Consequently, it was necessary to utilize more complex formulas. The computer package CLUSTERS, developed by the Intemational Statistical Institute for the World Fertility Survey, was used to assist in computing the sampling errors with the proper statistical methodology.

The CLUSTERS program 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:

$$
\operatorname{var}(r)=\frac{1-f}{x^{2}} \sum_{h=1}^{B}\left[\frac{m_{h}}{m_{h}-1}\left(\sum_{i=1}^{m_{h}} z_{k-1}^{2}-\frac{z_{h}^{2}}{m_{h}}\right)\right]
$$

in which

$$
z_{k j}=y_{k t}-r \cdot x_{h i} \text {, and } z_{k}=y_{k}-r \cdot x_{k}
$$

where $\quad h \quad$ represents the stratum which varies from 1 to $H$,
$m_{h} \quad$ is the total number of EAs selected in the $h^{\text {h }}$ stratum,
$y_{h i} \quad$ is the sum of the values of variable $y$ in EA $i$ in the $h^{\text {th }}$ stratum,
$x_{h i} \quad$ is the sum of the number of cases (women) in EA i in the $\mathrm{h}^{\text {th }}$ stratum, and
$f \quad$ is the overall sampling fraction, which is so small that CLUSTERS ignores it.
In addition to the standard errors, CLUSTERS 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. CLUSTERS also computes the relative error and confidence limits for the estimates.

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Sampling errors are presented in Tables B.2-B.5 for variables considered to be of major interest. Results are presented for the whole country, for large cities, other urban areas, and rural areas. For each variable, the type of statistic (mean or proportion) and the base population are given in Table B.1. For each variable, Tables B.2-B. 5 present the value of the statistic ( R ), its standard error (SE), the number of unweighted ( N ) and weighted cases (WN), the design effect (DEFT), the relative standard error (SE/R), and the 95 percent confidence limits ( $\mathrm{R}+2 \mathrm{SE}$ ).

The confidence limits have the following interpretation. For the mean number of children ever bom (EVBORN), the overall average from the sample is 5.09 and its standard error is 0.054 . Therefore, to obtain the 95 percent confidence limits, one adds and subtracts twice the standard error to the sample estimate, i.e., $5.09 \pm(2 \times 0.054)$, which means that there is a high probability ( 95 percent) that the true average number of children ever bom is between 4.98 and 5.20 .

The relative standard error for most estimates for the country as a whole is small, except for estimates of very small proportions. The magnitude of the error increases as estimates for subpopulations such as geographical areas are considered. For the variable children ever born, for instance, the relative standard error (as a percentage of the estimated mean) for the whole country and its regional division is 1.1 percent, 1.8 percent, 1.3 percent and 1.9 percent, respectively.

## Table B. 1 List of selected variables for sampling errors, Jordan 1990

| VARIABLE |  | ESTIMATE | BASE POPULATION |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| URBAN | Urban | Proportion | Ever-married women |
| ILLIT | Illiterate | Proportion | Ever-married women |
| SECOND | With secondary education or higher | Proportion | Ever-married women |
| CURMAR | Currently married | Proportion | Ever-married women |
| MAR20 | Married before age 20 | Proportion | Ever-married women age 20+ |
| SEX18 | Had first sexual intercourse before 18 | Proportion | Ever-married women age 20+ |
| PREGNANT | Currently pregnant | Proportion | Currently married women age 20-49 |
| EVBORN | Children ever bom | Mean | Ever-married women |
| EVB4049 | Children ever bom to women over 40 | Mean | Ever-married women age 40-49 |
| SURVIV | Children surviving | Mean | Ever-married women |
| KMETHOD | Knowing any contraceptive method | Proportion | Currently married women |
| KSOURCE | Knowing source for any method | Proportion | Currently married women |
| EVUSE | Ever used any contraceptive method | Proportion | Currently married women |
| CUSING | Currently using any method | Proportion | Currently married women |
| CUMODERN | Currently using a modern method | Proportion | Currently married women |
| CUPILL | Currently using pill | Proportion | Cumently married women |
| CUIUD | Currently using IUD | Proportion | Currently married women |
| CUSTERIL | Currently using female sterilization | Proportion | Currently married women |
| CUPABST | Currently using periodic abstinence | Proportion | Currently married women |
| PSOURCE | Using public sector source | Proportion | Current users of modern methods |
| NOMORE | Want no more children | Proportion | Cumently married women |
| DELAY | Want to delay at least 2 years | Proportion | Currently married women |
| IDEAL | Ideal number of children | Mean | Ever-married women |
| TETANUS | Mothers received tetanus injection | Proportion | Births in last 5 years |
| MDCARE | Received medical care at birth | Proportion | Births in last 5 years |
| DIARRH | Had diarrhea in last 2 weeks | Proportion | Children under 5 |
| ORSTRE | Treated with ORS packets | Proportion | Children under 5 with diarrhea in last 2 weeks |
| MEDTRE | Consulted a medical facility | Proportion | Children under 5 with diarrhea in last 2 weeks |
| HCARD | Having health card | Proportion | Children 12-23 months |
| BCG | Received BCG vaccination | Proportion | Children 12-23 months |
| DPT3 | Received DPT vaccination (3 doses) | Proportion | Children 12-23 months |
| POLIO3 | Received polio vaccination (3 doses) | Proportion | Children 12-23 months |
| MEASLES | Received measles vaccination | Proportion | Children 12-23 months |
| FULLM | Fully immunized | Propörtion | Children 12-23 months |

Table B. 2 Sampling errors - Entire sample, Jordan 1990

| Variable | Value <br> (R) | Standard error (SE) | Number of cases |  | Design effect (DEFT) | Relative <br> error (SE/R) | Confidence limits |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | (N) | (WN) |  |  | R-2SE | $\mathrm{R}+2 \mathrm{SE}$ |
| URBAN | . 738 | . 009 | 6461 | 6461.0 | 1.694 | . 013 | . 719 | . 756 |
| ILLTT | . 253 | . 008 | 6461 | 6461.0 | 1.565 | . 034 | . 236 | . 269 |
| SECOND | . 540 | . 010 | 6461 | 6461.0 | 1.553 | . 018 | . 521 | . 559 |
| CURMAR | . 955 | . 003 | 6461 | 6461.0 | 1.256 | . 003 | . 948 | . 961 |
| AGEM20 | . 618 | . 007 | 6108 | 6102.3 | 1.200 | . 012 | . 604 | . 633 |
| SEX18 | . 393 | . 008 | 6108 | 6102.3 | 1.214 | . 019 | . 378 | . 408 |
| PREGNT | . 171 | . 005 | 6181 | 6168.4 | 1.018 | :.028 | . 161 | . 181 |
| EVBORN | 5.090 | . 054 | 6461 | 6461.0 | 1.216 | . 011 | 4.981 | 5.199 |
| EVB40 | 8.314 | . 099 | 1623 | 1620.5 | 1.194 | . 012 | 8.117 | 8.512 |
| SURVIV | 4.799 | . 050 | 6461 | 6461.0 | 1.203 | . 010 | 4.699 | 4.899 |
| KMETHO | . 998 | . 000 | 6181 | 6168.4 | . 000 | . 000 | . 998 | . 998 |
| KSOURC | . 948 | . 004 | 6181 | 6168.4 | 1.463 | . 004 | . 940 | . 956 |
| EVUSE | . 649 | . 009 | 6181 | 6168.4 | 1.455 | . 014 | . 631 | . 667 |
| CUSE | . 400 | . 008 | 6181 | 6168.4 | 1.338 | . 021 | . 383 | . 416 |
| CUMODE | . 269 | . 007 | 6181 | 6168.4 | 1.284 | . 027 | . 254 | . 283 |
| CUPILL | . 046 | . 003 | 6181 | 6168.4 | 1.298 | . 075 | . 039 | . 053 |
| CUIUD | . 153 | . 006 | 6181 | 6168.4 | 1.262 | . 038 | . 141 | . 164 |
| CUSTER | . 056 | . 003 | 6181 | 6168.4 | 1.163 | . 061 | . 049 | . 063 |
| CUPABS | . 039 | . 003 | 6181 | 6168.4 | 1.143 | . 072 | . 033 | . 044 |
| PSOURC | . 543 | . 014 | 1575 | 1657.0 | 1.146 | . 027 | . 514 | . 571 |
| NOMORE | . 471 | . 007 | 6181 | 6168.4 | 1.128 | . 015 | . 456 | . 485 |
| DELAY | . 248 | . 006 | 6181 | 6168.4 | 1.046 | . 023 | . 237 | . 260 |
| IDEAL | 4.430 | . 040 | 4323 | 4440.4 | 1.245 | . 009 | 4.350 | 4.510 |
| TETANU | . 430 | . 008 | 8282 | 8180.5 | 1.263 | . 019 | . 414 | . 447 |
| MEDELI | . 872 | . 008 | 8282 | 8180.5 | 1.509 | . 009 | . 857 | . 887 |
| DIARR2 | . 085 | . 004 | 7986 | 7882.1 | 1.034 | . 041 | . 078 | . 092 |
| ORSTRE | . 417 | . 020 | 672 | 670.7 | . 969 | . 048 | . 376 | . 457 |
| MEDTRE | . 509 | . 019 | 672 | 670.7 | . 934 | . 038 | . 470 | . 548 |
| HCARD | . 641 | . 015 | 1642 | 1615.4 | 1.203 | . 023 | . 612 | . 670 |
| BCG | . 169 | . 012 | 1642 | 1615.4 | 1.254 | . 071 | . 145 | . 193 |
| DPT3 | . 951 | . 006 | 1642 | 1615.4 | 1.036 | . 006 | . 939 | . 963 |
| POL3 | . 956 | . 006 | 1642 | 1615.4 | 1.013 | . 006 | . 945 | . 967 |
| MEASLE | . 895 | . 009 | 1642 | 1615.4 | 1.117 | . 010 | . 878 | . 913 |
| FULLIM | . 880 | . 009 | 1642 | 1615.4 | 1.106 | . 010 | . 862 | . 898 |

Table B. 3 Sampling ertors - Large city, Jordan 1990

| Variable | Value <br> (R) | Standard ertor (SE) | Number of cases |  | Design effect (DEFT) | Relative emror (SE/R) | Confidence limits |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | Unweighted (N) | Weighted (WN) |  |  | R-2SE | R+2SE |
| URBAN | 1.000 | . 000 | 2441 | 2634.6 | . 000 | . 000 | 1.000 | 1.000 |
| ILlit | . 157 | . 010 | 2441 | 2634.6 | 1.310 | . 062 | . 137 | . 176 |
| SECOND | . 642 | . 014 | 2441 | 2634.6 | 1.445 | . 022 | . 614 | . 670 |
| CURMAR | . 954 | . 005 | 2441 | 2634.6 | 1.153 | . 005 | . 944 | . 964 |
| AGEM20 | . 607 | . 011 | 2311 | 2493.8 | 1.042 | . 017 | . 586 | . 628 |
| SEX18 | . 371 | . 010 | 2311 | 2493.8 | 1.022 | . 028 | . 351 | . 392 |
| PREGNT | . 142 | . 008 | 2328 | 2512.7 | 1.039 | . 053 | . 127 | . 157 |
| EVBORN | 4.752 | . 085 | 2441 | 2634.6 | 1.232 | . 018 | 4.583 | 4.921 |
| EVB40 | 7.663 | . 147 | 647 | 699.8 | 1.154 | . 019 | 7.368 | 7.958 |
| SURVIV | '4.495 | . 076 | 2441 | 2634.6 | 1.198 | . 017 | 4.342 | 4.647 |
| KMETHO | 1. 999 | . 000 | 2328 | 2512.7 | . 000 | . 000 | . 999 | . 999 |
| KSOURC | -. 977 | . 004 | 2328 | 2512.7 | 1.190 | . 004 | . 970 | . 985 |
| EVUSE | : . 742 | . 011 | 2328 | 2512.7 | 1.171 | . 014 | . 721 | . 763 |
| cuse | . 483 | . 012 | 2328 | 2512.7 | 1.166 | . 025 | . 459 | . 508 |
| CUMODE | . 335 | . 011 | 2328 | 2512.7 | 1.156 | . 034 | . 313 | . 358 |
| CUPILL | . 062 | . 005 | 2328 | 2512.7 | . 957 | . 077 | . 053 | . 072 |
| CUIUD | . 194 | . 009 | 2328 | 2512.7 | 1.049 | . 044 | . 177 | . 211 |
| CUSTER | . 059 | . 006 | 2328 | 2512.7 | 1.183 | . 098 | . 048 | . 071 |
| CUPABS | . 054 | . 005 | 2328 | 2512.7 | 1.044 | . 091 | . 044 | . 063 |
| PSOURC | . 520 | . 019 | 780 | 842.8 | 1.079 | . 037 | . 482 | . 599 |
| NOMORE | . 495 | . 011 | 2328 | 2512.7 | 1.061 | . 022 | . 473 | . 517 |
| DELAY | . 223 | . 009 | 2328 | 2512.7 | . 997 | . 039 | . 205 | . 240 |
| DEAL | 4.261 | . 053 | 1810 | 1952.6 | 1.122 | . 013 | 4.154 | 4.367 |
| TETANU | . 424 | . 011 | 2774 | 2997.9 | . 979 | . 025 | . 402 | . 445 |
| MEDELI | . 928 | . 006 | 2774 | 2997.9 | . 888 | . 006 | . 917 | . 939 |
| DIARR2 | . 087 | . 006 | 2681 | 2896.9 | 1.070 | . 073 | . 074 | . 100 |
| ORSTRE | . 392 | . 031 | 234 | 252.0 | . 887 | . 078 | . 330 | . 453 |
| MEDTRE | . 448 | . 037 | 234 | 252.0 | 1.036 | . 082 | . 374 | . 521 |
| HCARD | . 661 | . 023 | 559 | 604.9 | 1.110 | . 034 | . 616 | . 706 |
| BCG | . 261 | . 026 | 559 | 604.9 | . 373 | . 100 | . 209 | . 313 |
| DPT3 | . 949 | . 011 | 559 | 604.9 | . 137 | . 011 | . 927 | . 970 |
| POL3 | . 956 | . 010 | 559 | 604.9 | . 098 | . 010 | . 937 | . 976 |
| MEASLE | . 881 | . 016 | 559 | 604.9 | 1.117 | . 018 | . 850 | . 912 |
| FULLIM | . 860 | . 017 | 559 | 604.9 | 1.113 | . 020 | . 826 | . 893 |


| Variable | Value (R) | Standard error (SE) | Number of cases |  | Design effect (DEFT) | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Relative } \\ & \text { emior } \\ & \text { (SE/R) } \end{aligned}$ | Confidence limits |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | (N) | (WN) |  |  | R-2SE | R+2SE |
| URBAN | 1.000 | . 000 | 2143 | 2133.3 | . 000 | . 000 | 1.000 | 1.000 |
| ILLT | . 244 | . 018 | 2143 | 2133.3 | 1.935 | . 074 | . 208 | . 279 |
| SECOND | . 537 | . 017 | 2143 | 2133.3 | 1.623 | . 033 | . 502 | . 572 |
| CURMAR | . 953 | . 007 | 2143 | 2133.3 | 1.454 | . 007 | . 940 | . 967 |
| AGEM20 | . 618 | . 014 | 2029 | 2009.2 | 1.283 | . 022 | . 590 | . 645 |
| SEX18 | . 396 | . 015 | 2029 | 2009.2 | 1.361 | . 037 | . 366 | . 425 |
| PREGNT | . 171 | . 008 | 2051 | 2033.6 | . 995 | . 048 | . 155 | . 188 |
| EVBORN | 5.201 | . 094 | 2143 | 2133.3 | 1.158 | . 018 | 5.013 | 5.389 |
| EVB40 | 8.647 | . 215 | 505 | 494.5 | 1.371 | . 025 | 8.217 | 9.076 |
| SURVIV | 4.914 | . 088 | 2143 | 2133.3 | 1.155 | . 018 | 4.738 | 5.089 |
| KMETHO | . 000 | . 000 | 2051 | 2033.6 | . 000 | . 000 | . 000 | . 000 |
| KSOURC | . 952 | . 006 | 2051 | 2033.6 | 1.315 | . 006 | . 940 | . 965 |
| EVUSE | . 635 | . 019 | 2051 | 2033.6 | 1.743 | . 029 | . 598 | . 672 |
| CUSE | . 387 | . 015 | 2051 | 2033.6 | 1.426 | . 040 | . 356 | . 418 |
| CUMODE | . 265 | . 013 | 2051 | 2033.6 | 1.295 | . 048 | . 240 | . 291 |
| CUPILL | . 039 | . 006 | 2051 | 2033.6 | 1.429 | . 156 | . 027 | . 051 |
| CUIUD | . 148 | . 011 | 2051 | 2033.6 | 1.385 | . 074 | . 126 | . 169 |
| CUSTER | . 066 | . 006 | 2051 | 2033.6 | 1.150 | . 095 | . 054 | . 079 |
| CUPABS | . 031 | . 005 | 2051 | 2033.6 | 1.339 | . 164 | . 021 | . 042 |
| PSOURC | . 535 | . 025 | 514 | 539.5 | 1.139 | . 047 | . 485 | . 585 |
| NOMORE | . 457 | . 013 | 2051 | 2033.6 | 1.177 | . 028 | . 431 | . 482 |
| DELAY | . 251 | . 010 | 2051 | 2033.6 | 1.035 | . 039 | . 231 | . 271 |
| IDEAL | 4.523 | . 079 | 1449 | 1474.1 | 1.361 | . 017 | 4.365 | 4.680 |
| TETANU | . 459 | . 016 | 2740 | 2696.3 | 1.391 | . 034 | . 428 | . 491 |
| MEDELI | . 869 | . 016 | 2740 | 2696.3 | 1.853 | . 019 | . 836 | . 902 |
| DIARR2 | . 089 | . 005 | 2648 | 2607.6 | . 790 | . 053 | . 080 | . 098 |
| ORSTRE | . 384 | . 036 | 231 | 231.8 | 1.045 | . 095 | . 311 | . 457 |
| MEDTRE | . 517 | . 031 | 231 | 231.8 | . 877 | . 060 | . 455 | . 579 |
| HCARD | . 662 | . 025 | 539 | 530.9 | 1.197 | . 038 | . 612 | . 712 |
| BCG | . 142 | . 013 | 539 | 530.9 | . 844 | . 093 | . 116 | . 169 |
| DPT3 | . 946 | . 009 | 539 | 530.9 | . 915 | . 010 | . 928 | . 965 |
| POL3 | . 952 | . 009 | 539 | 530.9 | . 912 | . 009 | . 935 | . 970 |
| measle | . 892 | . 015 | 539 | 530.9 | 1.101 | . 017 | . 861 | . 922 |
| FULLIM | . 879 | . 016 | 539 | 530.9 | 1.090 | . 018 | . 848 | . 910 |

Table B. 5 Sampling errors, Rural, Jordan 1990

| Variable | Value (R) | Standard error (SE) | Number of cases |  | Design effect (DEFT) | Relative error (SE/R) | Confidence limits |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | (N) | (WN) |  |  | R-2SE | R+2SE |
| URBAN | . 000 | . 000 | 1877 | 1693.1 | . 000 | . 000 | . 000 | . 000 |
| ILLIT | . 413 | . 018 | 1877 | 1693.1 | 1.541 | . 042 | . 378 | . 448 |
| SECOND | . 385 | . 016 | 1877 | 1693.1 | 1.460 | . 043 | . 352 | . 417 |
| CURMAR | . 958 | . 005 | 1877 | 1693.1 | 1.096 | . 005 | . 948 | . 968 |
| AGEM20 | . 637 | . 015 | 1768 | 1599.2 | 1.355 | . 024 | . 606 | . 668 |
| SEX18 | . 422 | . 016 | 1768 | 1599.2 | 1.340 | . 037 | . 391 | . 454 |
| PREGNT | . 216 | . 010 | 1802 | 1622.1 | 1.066 | . 048 | . 195 | . 237 |
| EVBORN | 5.477 | . 103 | 1877 | 1693.1 | 1.224 | . 019 | 5.271 | 5.684 |
| EVB40 | 8.999 | . 122 | 471 | 426.1 | . 867 | . 014 | 8.754 | 9.243 |
| SURVIV | 5.127 | . 096 | 1877 | 1693.1 | 1.230 | . 019 | 4.935 | 5.319 |
| KMETHO | . 997 | . 002 | 1802 | 1622.1 | 1.500 | . 002 | . 993 | 1.001 |
| KSOURC | . 897 | . 013 | 1802 | 1622.1 | 1.745 | . 014 | . 872 | . 922 |
| EVUSE | . 523 | . 019 | 1802 | 1622.1 | 1.648 | . 037 | . 484 | . 562 |
| CUSE | . 285 | . 018 | 1802 | 1622.1 | 1.696 | . 063 | . 249 | . 321 |
| CUMODE | . 169 | . 016 | 1802 | 1622.1 | 1.803 | . 094 | . 137 | . 201 |
| CUPILL | . 030 | . 008 | 1802 | 1622.1 | 2.006 | . 269 | . 014 | . 046 |
| CUIUD | . 095 | . 012 | 1802 | 1622.1 | 1.687 | . 123 | . 072 | . 118 |
| CUSTER | . 038 | . 005 | 1802 | 1622.1 | 1.081 | . 128 | . 029 | . 048 |
| CUPABS | . 025 | . 003 | 1802 | 1622.1 | . 895 | . 133 | . 018 | . 031 |
| PSOURC | . 626 | . 043 | 281 | 274.7 | 1.483 | . 068 | . 540 | . 712 |
| NOMORE | . 451 | . 014 | 1802 | 1622.1 | 1.192 | . 031 | . 423 | . 479 |
| DELAY | . 284 | . 012 | 1802 | 1622.1 | 1.132 | . 042 | . 260 | . 308 |
| IDEAL | 4.620 | . 087 | 1064 | 1013.7 | 1.344 | . 019 | 4.447 | 4.793 |
| TETANU | . 407 | . 017 | 2768 | 2486.3 | 1.440 | . 041 | . 374 | . 440 |
| MEDELI | . 808 | . 016 | 2768 | 2486.3 | 1.536 | . 020 | . 776 | . 840 |
| DIARR2 | . 079 | . 007 | 2657 | 2377.6 | 1.219 | . 089 | . 065 | . 093 |
| ORSTRE | . 491 | . 039 | 207 | 187.0 | 1.009 | . 079 | . 414 | . 569 |
| MEDTRE | . 581 | . 028 | 207 | 187.0 | . 759 | . 048 | . 525 | . 638 |
| HCARD | . 593 | . 029 | 544 | 479.6 | 1.329 | . 048 | . 536 | . 650 |
| BCG | . 083 | . 016 | 544 | 479.6 | 1.353 | . 195 | . 050 | . 115 |
| DPT3 | . 960 | . 010 | 544 | 479.6 | 1.020 | . 010 | . 940 | . 980 |
| POL3 | . 959 | . 010 | 544 | 479.6 | 1.019 | . 011 | . 939 | . 979 |
| MEASLE | . 918 | . 013 | 544 | 479.6 | 1.083 | . 014 | . 892 | . 945 |
| FULLIM | . 907 | . 014 | 544 | 479.6 | 1.040 | . 015 | . 880 | . 934 |

## APPENDIX C

## DATA QUALITY TABLES

Table C. 1 Household age disrribution
Single-year age distribution of the de jure household population by sex (weighted), Jordan 1990

| Age | Male |  | Female |  | Age | Male |  | Fernale |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Number | Percentage | Number | Percentage |  | Number | Percentage | Number | Percentage |
| <1 | 1704 | 2.9 | 1579 | 3.0 | 38 | 389 | 0.7 | 439 | 0.8 |
| 1 | 1539 | 2.7 | 1464 | 2.7 | 39 | 302 | 0.5 | 332 | 0.6 |
| 2 | 1761 | 3.0 | 1680 | 3.1 | 40 | 501 | 0.9 | 634 | 1.2 |
| 3 | 1734 | 3.0 | 1678 | 3.1 | 41 | 263 | 0.5 | 248 | 0.5 |
| 4 | 1798 | 3.1 | 1667 | 3.1 | 42 | 416 | 0.7 | 447 | 0.8 |
| 5 | 1771 | 3.0 | 1664 | 3.1 | 43 | 359 | 0.6 | 340 | 0.6 |
| 6 | 1713 | 2.9 | 1552 | 2.9 | 44 | 281 | 0.5 | 297 | 0.6 |
| 7 | 1528 | 2.t) | 1449 | 2.7 | 45 | 581 | 1.0 | 633 | 1.2 |
| 8 | 1752 | 3.0 | 1621 | 3.0 | 46 | 340 | 0.6 | 287 | 0.5 |
| 9 | 1673 | 3.9 | 1566 | 2.9 | 47 | 365 | 0.6 | 300 | 0.6 |
| 10 | 1814 | 3.1 | 1634 | 3.1 | 48 | 384 | 0.7 | 343 | 0.6 |
| 11 | 1709 | 2.9 | 1476 | 2.8 | 49 | 231 | 0.4 | 184 | 0.3 |
| 12 | 1795 | 3.1 | 1592 | 3.0 | 50 | 536 | 0.9 | 568 | 1.1 |
| 13 | 1605 | 2.8 | 1504 | 2.8 | 51 | 233 | 0.4 | 200 | 0.4 |
| 14 | 1631 | 2.8 | 1442 | 2.7 | 52 | 305 | 0.5 | 273 | 0.5 |
| 15 | 1566 | 2.7 | 1357 | 2.5 | 53 | 250 | 0.4 | 239 | 0.4 |
| 16 | 1489 | 2.6 | 1435 | 2.7 | 54 | 309 | 0.5 | 225 | 0.4 |
| 17 | 1565 | 2.7 | 1388 | 2.6 | 55 | 424 | 0.7 | 457 | 0.9 |
| 18 | 1634 | 2.8 | 1534 | 2.9 | 56 | 200 | 0.3 | 168 | 0.3 |
| 19 | 1363 | 2.3 | 1316 | 2.5 | 57 | 208 | 0.4 | 152 | 0.3 |
| 20 | 1482 | 2.6 | 1426 | 2.7 | 58 | 201 | 0.3 | 150 | 0.3 |
| 21 | 1302 | 2.2 | 1060 | 2.0 | 59 | 119 | 0.2 | 68 | 0.1 |
| 22 | 1301 | 2.2 | 1100 | 2.1 | 60 | 473 | 0.8 | 488 | 0.9 |
| 23 | 1279 | 2.2 | 1100 | 2.1 | 61 | 134 | 0.2 | 72 | 0.1 |
| 24 | 1122 | 1.9 | 921 | 1.7 | 62 | 135 | 0.2 | 112 | 0.2 |
| 25 | 1151 | 2.0 | 1084 | 2.0 | 63 | 128 | 0.2 | 102 | 0.2 |
| 26 | 954 | 1.6 | 836 | 1.6 | 64 | 101 | 0.2 | 58 | 0.1 |
| 27 | 961 | 1.7 | 749 | 1.4 | 65 | 306 | 0.5 | 333 | 0.6 |
| 28 | 90: | 1.6 | 673 | 1.3 | 66 | 79 | 0.1 | 48 | 0.1 |
| 29 | 565 | 1.0 | 535 | 1.0 | 67 | 86 | 0.1 | 37 | 0.1 |
| 30 | 823 | 1.4 | 891 | 1.7 | 68 | 68 | 0.1 | 48 | 0.1 |
| 31 | 474 | 0.8 | 484 | 0.9 | 69 | 41 | 0.1 | 27 | 0.1 |
| 32 | 585 | 1.0 | 572 | 1.1 | 70+ | 992 | 1.7 | 891 | 1.7 |
| 33 | 495 | 0.9 | 410 | 0.8 | Don't know | W/ 8 | 0.0 | 11 | 0.0 |
| 34 | 400 | 0.7 | 408 | 0.8 | missing |  |  |  |  |
| 35 | 654 | 1.1 | 625 | 1.2 |  |  |  |  |  |
| 36 | 344 | 0.6 | 342 | 0.6 | Total | 58065 | 100.0 | 53394 | 100.0 |
| 37 | 379 | 0.7 | 368 | 0.7 |  |  |  |  |  |

## Table C. 2 Completeness of reporting

Percentage of observations missing information for selected demographic and health questions, Jordan 1990

| Subject | Reference group | Percentage missing information | Number of cases |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Birth date | Last 15 years |  |  |
| Month only |  | 0.84 | 23221 |
| Month and year |  | 0.02 | 23221 |
| Age at death | Last 15 years | 0.19 | 1018 |
| Age/Date at first union ${ }^{1}$ | Ever-married women | 0.10 | 764 |
| Respondent's education | Ever-married women | 0.03 | 6461 |
| Child's size at birth | Birth in preceding 0-59 months | 14.26 | 8261 |
| Anthropometry ${ }^{2}$ | Living children age 1-59 months | 14.85 | 7962 |
| Diarrhea in last 2 weeks | Living children age 1-59 months | 0.35 | 283 |
| ${ }^{1}$ Both year and age missing <br> ${ }^{2}$ Child not measured |  |  |  |

## Table C. 3 Births by calendar year since birth

Distribution of births by calendar years since birth for living (L), dead (D), and all (T) children, according to reporting completeness, sex ratio at birth, and ratio of births by calendar year (weighted), Jordan 1990

| Calendar yeara <br> kince <br> birth | Number of births |  |  | Percentage with complete birth date ${ }^{\text {b }}$ |  |  | Sex ratio al birth ${ }^{2}$ |  |  | Calendar year racios |  |  | Number of births |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  | Male |  |  |  |  |  | emale |  |
|  | L | D | T |  |  |  | L | D | T |  |  |  | L | D | T | L | D | T | L | D | T | L | D | T |
| 0 | 1389 | 39 | 1429 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 96.8 | 2035 | 98.8 | NA | NA | NA | 683 | 26 | 710 | 706 | 13 | 719 |
| 1 | 1615 | 66 | 1681 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 99.7 | 94.4 | 99.5 | NA | NA | NA | 806 | 32 | 838 | 809 | 34 | 843 |
| 2 | 1641 | 62 | 1703 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 108.4 | 97.7 | 108.0 | 101.6 | 9.5 | 101.4 | 854 | 31 | 884 | 787 | 32 | 819 |
| 3 | 1614 | 63 | 1677 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 105.8 | 90.9 | 105.2 | 1005 | 104.1 | 100.7 | 830 | 30 | 860 | 784 | 33 | 817 |
| 4 | 1570 | 58 | 1629 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 1065 | 95.5 | 106.1 | 97.7 | 106.3 | 98.0 | 810 | 28 | 838 | 760 | 30 | 790 |
| 5 | 1600 | 47 | 1647 | 99.8 | 100.0 | 99.8 | 108.6 | 113.8 | 108.7 | 100.3 | 66.7 | 98.9 | 833 | 25 | 858 | 767 | 22 | 789 |
| 6 | 1620 | 82 | 1702 | 99.0 | 94.9 | 98.8 | 972 | 108.7 | 97.8 | 105.4 | 1202 | 106.0 | 798 | 43 | 841 | 821 | 39 | 861 |
| 7 | 1474 | 90 | 1564 | 99.2 | 86.9 | 98.5 | 103.7 | 116.2 | 104.3 | 93.5 | 105.0 | 94.1 | 750 | 48 | 799 | 724 | 42 | 765 |
| 8 | 1532 | 89 | 1622 | 99.3 | 92.8 | 98.9 | 105.6 | 96.1 | 105.1 | 104.1 | 122.4 | 105.0 | 787 | 44 | 831 | 745 | 46 | 791 |
| 9 | 1470 | 56 | 1526 | 99.2 | 81.5 | 98.5 | 112.8 | 120.2 | 113.0 | NA | NA | NA | 779 | 31 | 810 | 691 | 25 | 716 |
| 0-4 | 7830 | 289 | 8119 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 10.6 | 104.6 | 103.6 | NA | NA | NA | 3983 | 148 | 4131 | 3847 | 141 | 3988 |
| 5-9 | 7696 | 364 | 8060 | 99.3 | 91.0 | 98.9 | 105.3 | 109.5 | 105.5 | NA | NA | NA | 3948 | 191 | 4138 | 3748 | 174 | 3922 |
| 10-14 | 65820 | 350 | 694 | 98.9 | 89.1 | 98.4 | 112.7 | 93.7 | 111.6 | NA | NA |  | 3487 | 173 | 3661 | 3094 | 185 | 3279 |
| 15-19 | 47040 | 370 | 507 | 98.3 | 87.0 | 975 | 114.6 | 102.4 | 113.6 | NA | NA |  | 2511 | 189 | 2700 | 2192 | 184 | 2377 |
| 20+ | 41940 | 4980 | 4690 | 96.7 | 79.6 | 94.9 | 110.6 | 99.8 | 109.4 | NA | NA |  | 2203 | 249 | 2452 | 1991 | 249 | 2240 |
| All | 31005 | 1883 | 3288 | 98.9 | 88.2 | 98.3 | 108.5 | 101.6 | 108.1 | NA | NA |  | 6133 | 949 | 17082 | 14873 | 934 | 15806 |

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## Table C. 4 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 of birth preceding the survey, Jordan 1990

| Age at death (days) | Years preceding survey |  |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Total } \\ & 0-19 \end{aligned}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 0-4 | 5-9 | 10-14 | 15-19 |  |
| <1 | 24 | 22 | 10 | 13 | 70 |
| 1 | 50 | 49 | 29 | 29 | 158 |
| 2 | 15 | 16 | 15 | 12 | 57 |
| 3 | 9 | 22 | 11 | 10 | 53 |
| 4 | 10 | 3 | 5 | 3 | 22 |
| 5 | 19 | 8 | 4 | 4 | 34 |
| 6 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 5 | 9 |
| 7 | 15 | 18 | 20 | 21 | 74 |
| 8 | 2 | 0 | 3 | 2 | 7 |
| 9 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 7 |
| 10 | 6 | 4 | 5 | 5 | 19 |
| 11 | 1 | 2 | 5 | 1 | 8 |
| 12 | 3 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 4 |
| 13 | 3 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 6 |
| 14 | 5 | 1 | 10 | 3 | 19 |
| 15 | 6 | 4 | 9 | 2 | 22 |
| 16 | 0 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 7 |
| 17 | 5 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 6 |
| 18 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 1 | 5 |
| 19 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 2 |
| 20 | 2 | 6 | 4 | 1 | 13 |
| 21 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 4 |
| 22 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 3 | 4 |
| 24 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 3 |
| 25 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| 26 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 2 |
| 27 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| 30 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| Percent neonatal ${ }^{1}$ | 71.1 | 69.8 | 54.4 | 61.6 | 65.1 |
| Total 0-30 | 178 | 177 | 138 | 124 | 618 |
| ${ }^{1} 0-6$ days/0-30 days |  |  |  |  |  |

## Table C. 5 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 of birth preceding the survey, Jordan 1990

| Age al death (months) | Years preceding survey |  |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Total } \\ & 0-19 \end{aligned}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 0-4 | 5-9 | 10-14 | 15-19 |  |
| $<1^{\text {a }}$ | 178 | 177 | 138 | 124 | 618 |
| 1 | 22 | 28 | 29 | 18 | 97 |
| 2 | 16 | 20 | 17 | 23 | 76 |
| 3 | 17 | 16 | 26 | 28 | 86 |
| 4 | 7 | 15 | 19 | 31 | 71 |
| 5 | 6 | 9 | 14 | 19 | 48 |
| 6 | 8 | 17 | 5 | 22 | 52 |
| 7 | 7 | 4 | 9 | 8 | 28 |
| 8 | 6 | 6 | 9 | 14 | 35 |
| 9 | 5 | 6 | 8 | 9 | 29 |
| 10 | 2 | 3 | 6 | 2 | 13 |
| 11 | 0 | 2 | 5 | 0 | 7 |
| 12 | 10 | 23 | 20 | 26 | 80 |
| 13 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 4 |
| 14 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 3 |
| 16 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 |
| 18 | 0 | 6 | 8 | 3 | 17 |
| 19 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 3 |
| 22 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| Percent neonatal ${ }^{\text {b }}$ | 73.1 | 67.2 | 58.7 | 47.9 | 61.6 |
| Total 0-23 | 275 | 305 | 285 | 297 | 1161 |

${ }^{\text {an }}$ Includes deaths under 1 month reported in days
${ }^{6}$ Under 1 month/under 1 year

## APPENDIX D

## QUESTIONNAIRES

## DEMOGRAPHIC AND HEALTH SURVEXS HOUSEHOLD SCHEDULE



| INTERVIEWER VISITS |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1 | 2 | 3 | FINAL VISIT |  |
| INTERVIEWER'S NAME <br> DATE <br> RESULT*** |  |  |  | DAY <br> MONTH <br> YEAR <br> INT. CODE <br> RESULT | $\begin{array}{\|l\|} \hline \\ \hline \end{array}$ |
| SUPERVISOR |  |  |  | TOTAL NUMB OF VISITS | R |
| ```*RESULT CODES: COMPLETED HOUSEHOLD PRESENT BUT NO COMPETENT RESP. AT HOME HOUSEHOLD ABSENT POSTPONED REFUSED DWELLING VACANT OR ADDRESS NOT A DWELLING DWELLING DESTROYED DWELLING NOT FOUND OTHER``` $\qquad$ <br> ```(SPECIFY)``` |  |  |  | TOTAL IN HOUSEHOLD <br> TOTAL <br> ELIGIBLE <br> WOMEN |  |



TICK HERE IF CONTINUATION SHEET USED

| NO. | USUAL RESIDENTS AND VISITORS | RELATIONSHIP between hh MEMBERS | RESIDENCE |  | SEX | AGE | ORPHANHOCO |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| (1) | Please give me the names of the household members ( 3 names) | What is the retationship of (NAME) to the head of the household? <br> (3) | Does (NAME) usually live nere? <br> (4) | Did (NAME) sleep here last night? | Is (NAME) male or femate ? $\qquad$ | How old is he/she? (in completed years) | Is his/ her father still alive? | Is his/ her mother still alive? |
| 01 |  |  | YES NO | YES NO | $\begin{array}{ll}\text { M } & F \\ 1 & 2\end{array}$ | In YEARS | YES <br> NO <br> 1 | $\begin{array}{cccc}\text { YES } & \text { NO } & \text { DK } \\ 1 & 2 & 8\end{array}$ |
| 02 |  |  | 12 | 12 | 12 |  | 128 | 128 |
| 03 |  |  | 12 | 12 | 12 |  | 128 | 128 |
| 04 |  |  | 12 | 12 | 12 |  | 128 | 128 |
| 05 |  |  | 12 | 12 | 12 |  | 128 | 128 |
| 06 |  |  | 12 | 12 | 12 |  | 128 | 128 |
| 07 |  |  | 12 | 12 | 12 |  | 128 | 128 |
| 08 |  |  | 12 | 12 | 12 |  | 128 | 128 |
| 09 |  |  | 12 | 12 | 12 |  | 128 | 128 |
| 10 |  |  | 12 | 12 | 12 |  | 128 | 128 |
| 11 |  |  | 12 | 12 | 12 |  | 128 | 128 |
| 12 |  |  | 12 | 12 | 12 |  | 128 | 128 |
| 13 |  |  | 12 | 12 | 12 |  | 128 | 128 |
| 14 |  |  |  | 12 | 12 |  | 128 | 128 |

Just to make sure that I have a complete listing:

1) Are there any other persons such as small children or infants that we have not listed?
2) In addition, are there any other people who may not be members of your family, such as domestic servants, lodgers or friends who usually live here?



SPECIAL INFORMATION: PERSONS 13+

| No. | UNEMPLOY | PERSONS | Employed persons | COUNTRY OF WORK |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| (29) | Did you turn down a job offered to you when you were unempl oyed? | Why did you refuse? <br> Low salary.. 1 <br> For away.... 2 <br> Work <br> unsuitable.. 4 <br> Other........ 8 <br> (31) | How are you paid? <br> Monthly salery.. 1 <br> Daily............. 2 <br> Self employed... 4 <br> Other. $\qquad$ <br> (32) | Was (NAME) employed outside Jordan until this sumer? <br> If "yes", where? (NAME OF COUNTRY) |
| 01 | $\begin{array}{cl} \text { YES } & \text { NO } \\ 1 & 2 \end{array}$ |  |  | $\begin{array}{cc} \text { YES } & \text { NO } \\ 1 & 2 \end{array}$ |
| 02 | 12 |  |  | 12 |
| 03 | 12 |  |  | 12 |
| 04 | 12 |  |  | 12 |
| 05 | 12 |  |  | 12 |
| 06 | 12 |  |  | 12 |
| 07 | 12 |  |  | 12 |
| 08 | 12 |  |  | 12 |
| 09 | 12 |  |  | 12 |
| 10 | 12 |  |  | 12 |
| 11 | 12 |  |  | 12 |
| 12 | 12 | $1$ |  | 12 |
| 13 | 12 |  |  | 12 |
| 14 | 12 |  | $\square$ | $12 \square$ |

## DEMOGRAPHIC AND HEALTH SURVEYS

 INDIVIDUAL QUESTIONNAIRE
## CONFIDENTIAL

JORDAN DEPARTMENT OF STATISTICS



LINE NUMBER OF ELIGIBLE WOMAN $\square$ SERIAL NUMBER OF EL. WMN. $\square$

$\square$


| MO. QUESTIONS AMD FILTERS | cooing categories $\quad \begin{gathered}\text { SKIP } \\ \text { TO }\end{gathered}$ |
| :---: | :---: |
| 111 Do you usually listen to the radio? | Rarely......................... 1 SOMETIMES................... 2 freauently S |
| 112 Do you usually watch television? |  |
| 113 What is the main source of water your household uses? | PIPED INTO RESIDENCE............... 1 <br> PIPED INTO YARD OR PLOT.......... 2 <br> PUBLIC TAP............................... 3 <br> RIVER, SPRING, DAM................... 4 <br> TANKER TRUCK........................... . 5 <br> WELL. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 6 <br> OTHER $\qquad$ .7 <br> (SPECIFY) |
| 114 What kind of toilet facility does your household have? |  |
| 115 What type of sewage system do you have in your | PUBLIC NETWORK........................ 1 <br> DUG HOLE. .............................. 2 <br> OTKER $\qquad$ 3 <br> NO SEWAGE.... (SPECIFY) <br> .4 |
| 116 How many rooms in your house are used for sleeping? | R00ms....................... $\square$ |


| NO. QUESTIONS AND FILTERS | COOING CATEGORIES $\begin{array}{r}\text { SKIP } \\ \hline 10\end{array}$ |
| :---: | :---: |
| BUILDING TYPE (RECORD OBSERVATION.) | CUTSTONE. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 1 <br> CUTSTONE+CONCRETE . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 2 <br> CONCRETE. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 3 <br> BRICK..................................... . . . 4 <br> MUDBRICK. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 5 <br> ZINC/METAL. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 6 <br> OTHER $\qquad$ 7 <br> (SPECIFY) |
| Does your house have: <br> Electricity? <br> A radio? <br> A television? <br> A refrigerator? <br> A video? <br> A telephone? <br> An air conditioner? |  |
| 119 <br> Does any member of your household own: CIRCLE ALL APPLICABLE RESPONSES |  |
| 120 What is your religion? | ISLAM..................................... 1 <br> CHRISTIAN.............................. 2 <br> OTHER $\qquad$ <br> (SPECIFY) |

SECTION 2. MARRIAGE


| NO. | QUESTIONS AND FILTERS | COOING CATEGORIES $\quad \begin{array}{r}\text { SKIP } \\ \hline\end{array}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 301 | Now I would like to ask about all the births you have had during your life. Have you ever given birth? |  |
| 302 | Do you have any sons or daughters to whom you have given birth who are now living with you? <br> How many sons live with you? And how many daughters live with you? | YES $\qquad$ <br> NO $\qquad$ <br> SONS AT HOME. $\qquad$ <br> DAUGHTERS AT HOHE $\qquad$ IF NONE ENTER '00'. |
| 303 | Do you have any sons or daughters to whom you have given birth who are alive but do not live with you? <br> How many sons are alive but do not live with you? And how many daughters are alive but do not live with you? | YES $\qquad$ NO. $\qquad$ $\xrightarrow{1} 304$ SONS ELSEWHERE $\qquad$ DAUGHTERS ELSEWHERE $\qquad$ $\square$ If NONE ENTER 'OO'. |
| 304 | Have you ever given birth to a boy or a girl who was born alive but later died? <br> If "NO", PROBE: Any (other) baby who cried or showed any sign of life but only survived a few hours or days? <br> In all, how many boys have died? And how many girls have died? | YES $\qquad$ <br> NO. $\qquad$ <br> boys dead. $\qquad$ <br> GIRLS DEAD $\qquad$ $\square$ <br> IF NONE ENTER ' 0 ' |
| 305 | SUM ANSWERS TO 302, 303, AND 304, AND ENTER TOTAL. If NONE ENTER 'OO'. | total $\qquad$ $\square$ <br> if NONE ENTER '00'. |
| 306 | CHECK 305: <br> Just to make sure that 1 have this right: you have had in during your life. Is that correct? <br> yEs | TOTAL $\qquad$ live births <br> PROBE AND CORRECT 301-306 |
| 307 | CHECK 305: <br> ONE OR MORE <br> NO BIRTHS <br> BIRTHS |  |

308 mon I would tike to talk to you abol: all of your births from all marriages, whether still alive or not, starting with the flrst one you had.
(RECORD WNES OF ALL THE BIRTHS IN 309. RECORD TWINS OM SEPARATE LINES).


| $309$ <br> What neme was given to your next baby? | 310 <br> RECORD <br> SINGLE <br> OR <br> multiple <br> BIRTH <br> STATUS | 311 <br> Is <br> (MAME) <br> a boy or <br> a girl? | 312 <br> In wat month and year was (MAME) born? <br> PROBE : <br> What is Mis/ her birthday? <br> OR: In what season? | 313 <br> Is (MANE) <br> still <br> alive? | 314 <br> IF ALIVE: <br> How old was (MAME) at his/her last birthday? <br> RECORD AGE IN COMPLETED YEARS. | 315 <br> IF ALIVE: <br> Is (MAME) living with you? | 316 <br> If LESS THAN <br> 15 YRS. OF AGE: <br> Yith whom does he/she live? <br> IF 15+: G0 10 MEXI BIRTH | 317 <br> If DEAD: <br> How old was he/she then he/she died? <br> IF "1 YR.M, PROEE: How meny monthe old was (MAME)? <br> RECORD DAYS IF LESS THAN 1 MOWTH, MOWTMS If LESS THAN THO YEARS, OR YEARS. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\underbrace{}_{\text {(MAME) }}{ }^{071}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { SING. . . } 1 \\ & \text { MLT . . . } 2 \end{aligned}$ | BOY... 1 <br> GIRL. . 2 | MONTH. . <br> YEAR... $\square$ |  | AGE IM YEARS | $\left.\begin{array}{c} \text { YES........ } \\ \text { (CO TO MEXT } \\ \text { BIRTM) } \end{array}\right] \begin{aligned} & \text { MO. ....... } 2 \end{aligned}$ | FATHER $\qquad$ other relative. 2 <br> SOMEONE ELSE... 3 (GO TO MEXT BIRTH) | DAYS.... 1 <br> MOwTHS. . 2 <br> YEARS... 3 |
| $08$ <br> (WAME) | $\begin{aligned} & \text { SING. . } 1 \\ & \text { MLTT. . } 2 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { BOY... } 1 \\ & \text { GIRL. . } 2 \end{aligned}$ | MONTH. . <br> yEAR... |  | AGE IN YEARS |  | father. $\qquad$ <br> OThER RELATIVE. 2 <br> SOMEONE ELSE. . 3 <br> (GO TO NEXT | DAYS.... 1 <br> MOWTHS. . 2 <br> YEARS... 3 |
| 09 <br> (MAME) | $\begin{aligned} & \text { SIMG. . } 1 \\ & \text { MLT. . . } 2 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { BOY... } 1 \\ & \text { GIRL. . } 2 \end{aligned}$ | MONTK. . <br> YEAR... |  | AGE IN YEARS |  | FATHER........... 1 <br> other relative. 2 <br> SOMEONE ELSE... 3 <br> (GO TO NEXT <br> B(RTH) | DAYS.... 1 <br> можthS. . 2 <br> YEARS... 3 |
| $10$ <br> (MAME) | $\begin{aligned} & \text { SING. . } 1 \\ & \text { MLTT. . } 2 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { BOY . . } 1 \\ & \text { GIRL. . } 2 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{array}{l\|l\|l\|} \hline \text { MOWTH. . } & & \\ \text { YEAR. . } & & \\ \hline \end{array}$ |  | AGE IN YEARS | $\left.\begin{array}{c} \text { YES........ } \\ \text { (GO TO WEXT } \\ \text { BIRTH) } \end{array}\right]$ | fATHER........... 1 <br> OTher RELATIVE. 2 <br> SOMEONE ELSE... 3 <br> (GO TO NEXT <br> BIRTH) | DAYS.... 1 <br> MOWTHS. . 2 <br> YEARS... 3 |
| 11 <br> (MAME) | $\begin{aligned} & \text { SING... } 1 \\ & \text { MULT. . } 2 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { BOY... } 1 \\ & \text { GIRL. . } 2 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{array}{l\|l\|l} \text { MOWTH. . } \\ \text { YEAR... } & \\ \hline \end{array}$ |  | AGE IN YEARS | $\begin{aligned} & \text { YES........ } \\ & \text { (co TO MEXT } \\ & \text { BIRTH) } \\ & \text { MO. . . . . . . } 2 \end{aligned}$ | faTHER............ 1 <br> OThER RELATIVE. 2 <br> SOMEONE ELSE... 3 <br> (GO TO NEXT <br> BIRTH) | DAYS.... 1 <br> mowth5. . 2 <br> YEARS. . . 3 |
| $12$ <br> (MANE) | $\begin{aligned} & \text { SING. . . } 1 \\ & \text { nULT. . . } 2 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { BOY... } 1 \\ & \text { GIRL. . } 2 \end{aligned}$ | MONTH. . YEAR... |  | AGE IN YEARS | $\begin{gathered} \text { YES....... } \\ \text { (CO TO MEXT } \\ \text { BIRTH) } \\ \text { NO......... } \end{gathered}$ | FATHER........... 1 <br> OTHER RELATIVE. 2 <br> SOMEONE ELSE... 3 <br> (GO TO NEXT <br> BIRTH) | DAYS $\qquad$ <br> MOWTHS.. 2 $\text { YEARS... } 3$ |




| NO. | QUESTIONS AND FILTERS | COOING CATEGORIES ${ }^{\text {SKIP }}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 330 | ASK FOR DATES AND DURATIONS OF ANY OTHER PREGNANCI ENTER "T" IN COLUMN 1 OF CALENDAR IN RONTH PREGNAN AND up" IN EACH PRECEDING MONTH PREGNANT. | ATED, |
| 331 | When did your last menstrual period start? | DAYS AGO. <br> WEEKS AGO $\qquad$ <br> months ago $\qquad$ $\qquad$ <br> gefore Last birth. $\qquad$ 994 <br> NEVER MENSTRUATED $\qquad$ 995 <br> IN MENOPAUSE $\qquad$ 996 |
| 332 | Between the first day of a woman's period and the first day of her next period, when do you think she has the greatest chance of becoming pregnant? | DURING HER PERIOD................... 1 <br> RIGHT AFTER HER PERICD <br> HAS ENDED............................. 2 <br> In the middle of the cycle...... 3 <br> JUST BEFORE HER PERICO BEGINS... 4 <br> AT ANY TIME............................ 5 <br> OTHER $\qquad$ 6 <br> (SPECIFY) <br> DK...................................... 8 |

401 Now I would like to talk about family plaming - the various ways or methods that a couple can use to delay or avoid a pregnancy. Which of these ways or methode have you heard about?
CIRCLE CODE 1 IN 402 FOR EACH METHOD MENTIONED SPONTAMEOUSLY. THEN PROCEED DONN THE COLUMN, READING THE MAME AND DESCRIPTION OF EACH METHCD MOT MENTIONED SPOWTANEOUSLY. CIRCLE COOE 2 If METHOD IS RECOGNIZED, AND COOE 3 IF NOT RECOCNIZED. THEN, FOR EACH METHOD WITH CODE 1 OR 2 CIRCLED IN 402, ASK 403-406 BEFORE PROCEEDING TO TME NEXT METHCO.

|  | 402 Have you ever heard of (METHCD)? <br> READ DESCRIPTION OF EACH METHDO. | 403 Have you ever used (METHCD)? | 404 Do you know where a person could go to get (METHOD)? |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 01. PlLL Wamen can take a pill every day. | YES/SPOWT $\qquad$ <br> YES/PROBED $\qquad$ $\qquad$ | YES.................... 1 <br> NO. $\qquad$ | YES. $\qquad$ <br> N0. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 2 |
| 02140 yomer can have a loop or coil placed inside them by a doctor or a nurse. | YES/SPOWT $\qquad$ <br> YES/PROBED $\qquad$ <br> NO. $\qquad$ | YES. $\qquad$ <br> NO. $\qquad$ | YES. $\qquad$ <br> NO. $\qquad$ |
| 03 IMJECTIOWS Women can have an injection by a doctor or nurse wich stops them from becoming pregnant for several months. | YES/SPONT $\qquad$ <br> YES/PROBED $\qquad$ <br> wo...................................... 3 , | YES. $\qquad$ $\qquad$ | YES. $\qquad$ $\qquad$ |
| 04) FOAK/JELLY/SPONGE/DIAPHRAGM vomen can place esponge. suppository, diaphragm, jelly or crearn inside them before intercourse. | YES/SPONT $\qquad$ <br> YES/PROBED...................... . . . 2 <br> mo...................................... $3_{1}$ | YES................. 1 | YES. $\qquad$ <br> NO. $\qquad$ |
| COmDOM Men can use a rubber sheath during sexual inter* course. |  | YES................... 1 $\text { No. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . } 2$ | YES. $\qquad$ <br> no. $\qquad$ |







NO. 1 QUESTIONS AND FILTERS $\quad$ CODING CATEGORIES $\quad$| SKIP |
| :---: |
| IO |

Are you having any problems in using (CURRENT METHOD)?


What is the main problem?


SIDE EFFECTS....................... . . 02
health concerns..................... . . 03
ACCESS/AVAILABILITY............... 04
солт................................... 05
INCONVENIENT TO USE............... 06
STERILIZED,
WANTS CHILDREN.................... 07
OTHER__ 08 08

DK...................................... 98

431
CHECK 414 AND 423:

NEItHER STERILIZED


STERILIZED BEFORE JANUARY 1985 $\square$
enter method code from 414 IN CURRENT MONTH IN COL. 1 OF CALENDAR. then DETERMINE UHEN SHE started using this method this time. enter method cooe in each month of use.
illustrative questions:

- When did you start using this method continuously?
- How long have you been using this method continuously?

1 would like to ask some questions about all of the (other) periods in the last few years during which you or your husband used a method to avoid getting pregnant.
use calendar to probe for earlier perioos of use and nonuse, starting with most recent USE, BACK TO JANUARY 1985.
use names of children, dates of birth, and periods of preghancy as reference points.
in Each month, enter coie for method or "O" for nonuse in column 1. in column 2, enter cooes for discontinuation next to last month of use.
number of codes entered in column 2 must be the same as the number of interruptions OF CONTRACEPTIVE USE IN COLUMN 1.
ask hhy she stopped using the method. if a pregnancy followed, ask hhether she became pregnant unintentionally uhile using the method or deliberately stopped to get pregnant or because of other reasons. if she gets pregnant after stopping, ASK HOW MANY MONTHS AFTER STOPPING DID SHE BECAME PREGNANT.

ILLUSTRATIVE QUESTIONS:
COLUMN 1:

- 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?

COLUMN 2:
-Why did you stop using the (METHOD)?
-Did you become pregnant while using (METHOD), or did you stop to get pregnant?



| NO. | QUESTIONS AND FILTERS | COOING CATEGORIES $\quad$ SKIP |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 444 | Where can you get (METHOD MENTIONED IN 443)? <br> (NAME OF PLACE |  |
| 445 | Do you know of a place where you can obtain a method of family planning? <br> IF "YES": |  |
| 446 | How long does it take to travel from your home to this place? | MINUTES. $\qquad$ HOURS $\qquad$ $\square$ DK. $\qquad$ |
| 447 | Is it easy or difficult to get there? | EASY................................ 1 |
| 448 | Was there anything you may dislike about the services you (your husband) would receive from that place? <br> IF "YES": What is it? RECORD MAIN PROBLEM. | TOO EXPENSIVE........................... 1 <br> WAIT TOO LONG........................... 2 <br> STAFF DISCOURTEOUS.................. 3 <br> MALE STAFF.............................. 4 <br> DESIRED METHOD UNAVAILABLE....... 5 <br> OTHER $\qquad$ 6 <br> (SPECIFY) <br> NO COMPLAINTS......................... 7 |
| 449 | Is it acceptable to you for family planning information to be provided on the radio or television? |  |



|  | BIRYH ORDER | LAST BIRTH | MEXT-TO-LAST-BIRTH | SECOND-FRON-LAST-EIRTH |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | LIME MUWBER FROM 0. 309 | $\square$ | $\square$ |  |
|  | MAME FROM O. 309 | MAME | NMME | HAME |
| 507 | Why did you chose to go there? | LESS COSTLY.................. $1_{7}$ CONVENIEMT. $\qquad$ GETTER RELATIONSHIP WITH SERVICE PROVIDER......... 3 TECHNICAL CONPETENCE..... 4 OTHER $\qquad$ 5 | LESS COSTLY.................. . $1_{7}$ <br> CONVENIENT.................... 2 <br> BETTER RELATIONSHIP WITH <br> SERVICE PROVIDER. . ....... 3 <br> TECHWICAL COMPETENCE..... 4 OTHER $\qquad$ <br> (SPECIFY) | LESS COSTLY.................. $1_{7}$ CONVENIENT. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 2 better relatlowship with SERVICE PROVIDER.......... 3 TECHNICAL COMPETENCE..... 4 OTHER $\qquad$ (SPECIFY) |
|  | Has the visit a regular check- up, because of illness related to the pregnancy, or becsuse of illness unrelated to the pregnancy? | recular checkup............ 1 <br> ILLMESS RELATED TO <br> THE PREGMANCY............. 2 <br> ILLNESS UMRELATED TO <br> THE PREGMANCY.............. 3 | regular checkup............. 1 <br> ILLMESS RELATED TO <br> THE PRECHANCY............ . 2 <br> illmess undelated to <br> THE PREGMAMCY.............. 3 | REGULAR CHECKUP............ 1 <br> illmess related to <br> ThE PREGNANCY............. 2 <br> ILLMESS UNRELAJED TO <br> the pregmancy.............. 3 |
|  | How many months pregnant were you when you first saw someone for an antenatal check on this pregnancy? | MOMTHS. $\qquad$ $\square$ DK. $\qquad$ | mowThS $\qquad$ $\square$ DK. $\qquad$ | MONTKS. $\qquad$ $\square$ OK. $\qquad$ |
|  | How many antenatal visits did you have during that pregnancy? |  | TIMES. $\qquad$ $\square$ DK. $\qquad$ | TIMES $\qquad$ $\square$ DK. $\qquad$ |
|  | then you were pregnant with (NAWE) were you given sn injection in the arm to prevent the baby from getting tetanus? |  |  |  |
|  | How many times did you get this injection? | TIMES.................. $\square^{\square}$ |  |  |
|  | Uhere did you give birth to (NAME)? | HONE . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 1 GOVERMAENT HOSP ITAL. . . 2 PRIVATE HOSPITAL......... ${ }^{3}$ OTHER | HONE . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 1 <br> GOVERMMENT HOSPITAL....... 2 <br> PRIVATE NOSPITAL.......... 3 <br> OTHER $\qquad$ | HONE . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 1 GOVERMMENT HOSPITAL. . . 2 PRIVATE HOSPITAL........ 3 OTHER. |


|  | BIRTH ORDER | LAST BIRTH | NEXT-TO-LAST-BIRTH | SECOND-FRON-LAST-BIRTM |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | LIME NLPBER FROM 0. 309 | $\square$ |  |  |
|  | WAME FRON ©. 309 | NAME $\qquad$ | NAME | NAME |
| 514 | Who assisted with the detivery of (NAME)? <br> PROBE FOR THE TYPE OF PERSON AMD RECORD ALL PERSONS ASSISTIMG. | A. DOCTOR. $\qquad$ <br> B. MURSE/MIDUIFE. $\qquad$ <br> C. TRADITIONAL BIRTH $\qquad$ <br> D. RELATIVE. $\qquad$ <br> E. OTHER $\qquad$ 1 <br> (SPECIFY) <br> F. NO OWE. .................... . 1 | A. DOCTOR. <br> B. MURSE/MIDHIFE............ 1 <br> C. TRADITIONAL BIRTH ATTENDANT . . . . . . . . . . . . 1 <br> D. RELATIVE. <br> E. OTHER $\qquad$ <br> (SPECIFY) <br> F. NO ONE..................... 1 | A. DOCTOR..................... 1 <br> B. MURSE/MIDWIFE........... I <br> C. TRADITIONAL BIRTH <br> ATTENDAMT. $\qquad$ <br> D. RELATIVE $\qquad$ <br> E. OTHER $\qquad$ 1 <br> (SPECIFY) <br> F. NO ONE..................... 1 |
|  | What was the duration of the pregnancy? |  |  |  |
|  | Was (NAME) delivered normally or by caesarian section? | MORMALLY. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 1 | normally. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 1 | normally . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 1 |
|  | How much did (MAME) weigh? | GRAMS. $\qquad$ $\square$ DK. $\qquad$ 9998 | GRAMS $\qquad$ $\square$ DK $\qquad$ 9998 | GRAMS. $\qquad$ $\square$ DK. $\qquad$ 9908 |
|  | When (NANE) was born, was he/she: <br> very large, larger than average, average, smaller than average, or very small? |  |  | VERY LARGE................... 1 <br> LARGER THAN AVERAGE...... 2 <br> AVERAGE....................... 3 <br> SMALLER THAN AVERAGE..... 4 <br> VERY SMALL. . . ............... 5 <br> DK.............................. 8 |
| 519 | During the six-week period (i.e., Mifaz period) following the birth of (NAME) did you see anyone for a check on your heal th? <br> IF YES, whom did you see? <br> PROBE FOR THE TYPE OF PERSON AMD RECORD ALL PERSOWS SEEN. | DOCTOR. . . ..................... 1 <br> NURSE/MIDUIFE. . . . . . . . . . . . 1 <br> TRADITIONAL BIRTH <br> attendant <br> OTHER $\qquad$ <br> NO ONE $\qquad$ <br> (SKIP TO 521) $\qquad$ | DOCTOR....................... 1 <br> NURSE/MIDUIFE.............. 1 <br> TRADITIONAL BIRTH <br> attendant. .................. ${ }^{1}$ <br> OTHER $\qquad$ <br> No ONE $\qquad$ <br> (SKIP TO 523) $\qquad$ | DOCTOR........................ 1 <br> NURSE/MIDWIFE. ............. 1 <br> TRADITIOMAL BIRTK <br> attendant.................. 1 <br> OTHER $\qquad$ <br> NO ONE $\qquad$ <br> (SKIP TO 523) $\qquad$ |




|  | BIRTH ORDER | LAST BIRTH | NEXT-TO-LAST-BIRTH \| | SECOMD-FROM-LAST-BIRTM |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | LINE MLMBER FROM ©. 309 |  | $\square$ |  |
|  | WAME FROM Q. 309 | WAME | WANE | NAME |
| 534 | ```Do you breastfeed (NANE) whenever he/she wants or according to a fixed schedule? At any time yesterday or last night was (NAME) given any of the following?: Plain water? Sugar yater? Juice? Herbal tea? Yansoon (Dill)? Baby formula? Fresh milk? Iinned or poudered milk? Other liquids? Any solid or mushy food?``` |  |  |  |
| 536 | CHECK 535 : <br> FOOD OR LIQUID GIVEN YESTERDAY? |  |  |  |
| 537 | For how many months did you breastfeed (NAME)? | FOR EACH BIRTH RECORD THE <br> EnTER "X" IN COL. 5 OF CALEND BREASTFEEDING, STARTING IN T <br> IF BREASTFED LESS THAN ONE | mumber of months breastifed in <br> OAR FOR THE NUMBER OF SPECJFiED the month after birth. <br> MONTH, ENTER "O" IN COL. 5 IN MO | THE BOXES <br> ED MONTHS Of <br> ONTH AFTER BIRTH. |
|  | Why did you stop breastfeeding (NAME)? | MOTHER ILL/WEAK........... 01 <br> CHILD ILL/WEAK. . . ........ 02 <br> CHILD DIED................... 03 <br> MIPPLE PROBLEM. . . . . . . . . . 04 <br> NO MILK/MOT SUFFICIENT.. 05 <br> WORKING OUTSIDE HOME.... 06 <br> CHILD REFUSED............ . 07 <br> UEANING AGE. . . . . . . . . . . . 08 <br> BECANE PREGNANT. . . . . . . . 09 OTHER $\qquad$ 10 <br> (SPECIFY) |  | mother Ill/weak........... 01 <br> CHILD ILL/WEAK........... 02 <br> CHILD DIED................ 03 <br> MIPPLE PROBLEM. . . . . . . . . 04 <br> no milk/not sufficient.. 05 <br> WORKING OUTSIDE HONE.... 06 <br> CHILD REFUSED............ 07 <br> WEANING AGE. . .............. 08 <br> became pregnant. . . . . . . . . 09 <br> OTHER $\qquad$ 10 <br> (SPECIFY) |


|  | BIRTH ORDER | LAST BIRTH | HEXT-TO-LAST-BIRTH | SECOND-FRCM-LAST-BIRTH |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | LINE MUMBER FROM Q. 309 |  |  |  |
|  | WAME FRCM 0. 309 | WAME | NAME | WAME |
| 539 | CHECK 313: <br> CHILD ALIVE? |  |  |  |
| 540 | Has (MAME) ever given any water, or something else to drink or eat (other than breastmi(k)? |  | YES. $\qquad$ <br> NO. $\qquad$ (SKip to 544 ) | YES. $\qquad$ <br> No. $\qquad$ (SKIP 10 544) $\downarrow$ |
| 541 | How many months old was (NAME) men you started giving the following on a regular basis as part of the daily diet: <br> Formula or milk other than breastmilk? <br> Water or other liquids? <br> Any solid or mushy food? <br> IF LESS THAN ONE MONTH, RECORD יOO'. | FORMULA OR MILK: <br> AGE IN MONTHS........ $\square$ <br> NOT GIVEN. $\qquad$ HATER/LIQUIDS: <br> AGE IN MONTHS........ $\square$ MOT GIVEN. $\qquad$ SOLLID/WUSHY FOOO: <br> age in mowths. $\qquad$ $\square$ MOT GIVEN. $\qquad$ | FORMULA OR MILK: <br> age In mowths. $\qquad$ $\square$ mot Given. $\qquad$ HATER/LIOUIDS: <br> AGE IN MONTHS........ $\square$ mot given. $\qquad$ SOLID/MUSHY FOOD: AGE IN MONTHS........ $\square$ HOT GIVEN. $\qquad$ (SKIP TO 544) | FORMULA OR MILK: <br> AGE IN MONTHS. $\square$ <br> NOT GIVEN. $\qquad$ MATER/HOUIDS: <br> AGE IN MONTHS $\square$ NOT GIVEN. $\qquad$ SOLID/MUSHY FOOR: <br> AGE IN MONTHS. $\qquad$ $\square$ not given. $\qquad$ (SKIP TO 544) |
| 542 | CHECX 313: <br> ChILD ALIVE? | alive DEAD $\square$ <br> (SKIP TO 544) |  |  |
| 543 | Did (NAME) drink anything from a bottle with a nipple yesterday? | YES....................... 11 no.................. 21 DK.................. 8 |  |  |
| 544 | GO BACK TO 503 FOR MEXT BIR | , IF MO MORE BIRTHS, GO TO |  |  |




|  | BIRTH ORDER | 1 LAST 日IRTK | MEXT-TO-LAST-BIRTH | SECOND-FRON-LAST-BIRTM |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | LINE MUHBER FRCN Q. 309 | $\square$ | $\square$ |  |
|  | MAME | WAME $\qquad$ | MAME | MAME |
| 604 | Please tell me if (NAME) (has) received any of the following vaccinations: <br> A BCG vaccination againgt tuberculosig, that is, an injection in the arm or shoulder that left a scar? <br> Polio vaccine, that is, dropa in the mouth? <br> IF YES: <br> How many times? <br> OPT vaccination against diphtery, pertusis and tetanus, that is an injection in the arm? <br> If YES: <br> How many times? <br> An injection against measles? | YES............................ 1 <br> M0............................ . . 2 <br> DK............................... 8 <br> YES............................ 1 <br> NO. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 2 <br> DK. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 8 <br> mimber of times......... $\square$ <br> YES.............................. 1 <br> NO.............................. 2 <br> DK.............................. . 8 <br> WUMBER OF TIMES. $\qquad$ $\square$ <br> YES.............................. 1 <br> MO. $\qquad$ <br> DK.............................. 8 | YES.......................... 1 <br> mo. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 2 <br> DK............................... 8 <br> YES............................ <br> No.............................. . 2 <br> DK............................... . 8 <br> MUMBER OF TIMES......... $\square$ <br> YES............................. 1 <br> No. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 2 <br> DK............................... . 8 <br> MLMBER OF TIMES......... $\square$ <br> YES.............................. 1 <br>  <br> DK.............................. 8 | YES............................. 1 <br> NO. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 2 <br> DK............................... 8 <br> YES............................. 1 <br> NO. . . . . . . . ..................... 2 <br> DK. $\qquad$ <br> munber of times.......... $\square$ <br> YES. $\qquad$ <br> NO. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 2 <br> DK................................ 8 <br> MUMBER OF TIMES......... $\square$ <br> YES........................... 1 <br> NO. ............................. 2 <br> DK. $\qquad$ |
| 605 | CHECK 3i3: CHILD ALIVE? |  |  |  |
| 606 GO BACX TO 601 fOR MEXT BIRTH; OR, IF NO MORE BIRTHS, SKIP TD 624. |  |  |  |  |


|  | BIRTH ORDER | LAST 8IRTH | MEXT-TO-LAST-BIRTH | SECOMD-FROM-LAST-BIRTH |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | LINE MMBER FROM 0. 309 |  |  |  |
|  | WAME | MANE | WAME | WAME |
| 607 | Has (MAME) been ill uith any illness at any time in the (ast 2 weeks? |  |  |  |
|  | What is (are) the illness(es)? <br> If mo other illmesses EMTER "OO" | 1. $\qquad$ <br> 2. $\qquad$ <br> 3. $\qquad$ <br> DK. $\qquad$ | 1. $\qquad$ <br> 2. $\qquad$ <br> 3. $\qquad$ DK. $\qquad$ | 1. $\qquad$ <br> 2. $\qquad$ <br> 3. <br> DK $\qquad$ |
| 609 | During the past two weeks, did (NAME) have one or more of the following symptons? |  | FEVER. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 1 <br> RASH. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 1 <br> COUGH. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 1 <br> RED/TEARY EYES.............. 1 <br> WHOOPING COUGH............ 1 <br> RED HAIR..................... 1 <br> SWOLLEN FACE AND FEET.... 1 <br> VOWITTJNG. . . . . ............. 1 <br> Emaclated/very thin....... 1 <br> DIfficult and <br> RAPIO BREATHING.......... 1 <br> CONVULSIONS . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 1 <br> RED URINE................... . . 1 <br> YELLON EYES................. . 1 <br> DIFFICULTY IN <br> SHALLOUING............. . . . . 1 <br> BLOOD IN STOOLS............ 1 |  |




|  | BIRTH ORDER | LAST BIRTH | : . . MEXT-TO-LAST-BIRTH | SECOMD-FRON-LAST-BIRTH |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | LINE MLMBER FROM 0. 309 | $\square$ | $\square$ |  |
|  | NAME $\qquad$ NAME $\qquad$ NAME $\qquad$ |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| 621 | From whom did you seek advice or treatment? <br> Circle each mentioned. |  |  | GOVT. HOSPITAL. ............ 1 <br> PRIVATE HOSPITAL........... 1 <br> нСн............................. 1 <br> PHC.............................. 1 <br> GP CLIMIC...................... <br> SPECIALISJ CLIMIC......... 1 <br> PHARMACY...................... 1 <br> FRIEEDS/RELATIVES.......... 1 <br> OTHER $\qquad$ <br> (SPECIFY) |
| 622 GO BACK TO 601 FOR NEXT BIRTH: OR, IF MO MORE BIRTHS, GO TO 623. |  |  |  |  |
|  | CHECK 618: <br> ORS SOLUTIOW MENTIONED FOR ANY CHILD $\square$ IN 618 (ITEM W2 ON THE LIST) |  | ORS SOLUTIOW <br> MOT MEMTIONED OR $\square$ <br> 618 NOT ASKED |  |
| 624 | Have you ever heard of a special product called (AQUA CELL OR PARALAIT) you cbn get for the treatment of diarrhes? |  |  |  |
| 625 | Have you ever seen a packet like this before? <br> (SHON PACKET) |  |  |  |
| 626 | Have you ever prepared a solution with one of these packets to treat diarrhea in yourself or someone else? |  |  |  |





| No. | QUESTIONS AND FILTERS | CODING CATEGORIES SKIP |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 701 | CHECK 414P: <br> neither HE OR SHE <br> sterilized sterilized $\square$ | 706 |
| 702 | CHECK 201: | $\xrightarrow{\boldsymbol{l}} 711$ |
| 703 | Now 1 have some questions about the future. <br> CHECK 322 akd Mark box: <br> not pregnant or unsure $\square$ <br> Would you like to have a (another) child? <br> PREGMANT $\square$ <br> After the chitd you are expecting, would you like to have another child? | HAVE A (ANOTHER) CHILD $\qquad$ NO MORE/NONE $\qquad$ <br> says she can't get pregnant. $\qquad$ <br> UNDECIDED OR DK. $\qquad$ |
| 704 | CHECK 322 AND MARK BOX: <br> not pregnant or unsure $\square$ <br> How long would you like to wait from now before the birth of a (another) child? <br> PREGNANT $\square$ <br> How long would you like to wait after the birth of the child you are expecting before the birth of another child? | DURATION <br> MONTHS $\qquad$ <br> Years. $\qquad$ $\square$ <br> SOON/NOU <br> SAYS SKE CAN't get pregnant... 995 <br> OTHER $\qquad$ 996 $\qquad$ .998 |
| 705 | CHECK 313: <br> If no living childoren, circle '96' <br> How old would you like your youngest child to be before having another child? | haitimg perico MONTHS........................... $\square$ <br> NO LIVING CHILDREN. <br> DK $\square$ $\qquad$ 98 $\rightarrow 709$ |
|  | Do you regret that you (your husband) had the operation not to have any (more) children? |  |







ONE OR MORE LIVING CHILDREN BORN SINCE JANUARY 1985

NO LIVING CHILDREN BORN SINCE JANUARY 1985

INTERVIEWER: IN 902-904, RECORD THE LINE NUMBERS, NAMES, AND BIRTH DATES OF ALL LIVING CHILDREN BORN SINCE JANUARY 1, 1985 STARTING WITH THE YOUNGEST CHILD. RECORD WEIGHT AND LENGTH IN 905 AND 906.

|  | $1{ }^{1} \downarrow \begin{aligned} & \text { YOUNGEST } \\ & \text { LIVING CHILD }\end{aligned}$ | $12 \begin{aligned} & \text { NEXT-TO- } \\ & \text { YOUNGEST } \\ & \text { LIVING CHILD }\end{aligned}$ | 3 SECOND-TOYOUNGEST LIVING CHILD |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 902 <br> LINE NO. <br> FROM Q. 309 |  |  |  |
| 903 NAME FROM Q. 309 | (NAME) | (NAME) | (NAME) |
| 904 <br> DATE <br> OF BIRTH <br> FROM Q. 312 <br> AND ASK <br> FOR DAY | DAY. MONTH YEAR. . . . . $\square$ | DAY. MONTH YEAR. $\square$ | DAY. <br> MONTH <br> YEAR $\square$ |
| 905 <br> WEIGHT <br> (in kg.) |  $\square$ | $\square . \square$ | $\square . \square$ |
| $\overline{906}$ <br> LENGTH (in cm.) |   |   |  $\square$ |
| 907 <br> METHOD OF MEASUREMENT | STANDING. . . . . . . 1 LYing. . . . . . . . . 2 | STANDING. . . . . . 1 <br> LYING. . . . . . . . . . 2 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { STANDING . . . . . . . } 1 \\ & \text { LYING . . . . . . . . . } 2 \end{aligned}$ |


|  | 13 YOUNGEST <br> LIVING CHILD  | $\begin{array}{l\|l} 2 & \begin{array}{l} \text { NEXT-TO- } \\ \text { YOUNGEST } \\ \\ \text { LIVING CHILD } \end{array} \end{array}$ | 3) SECOND-TOYOUNGEST LIVING CHILD |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 908 <br> A. Arm fat (in mm.) | FAT | FAT | FAT |
| B. Arm circumference (in cm.) <br> C. Head cir cumference (in cm.) | ARM <br> HEAD | ARM <br> HEAD | ARM <br> HEAD |
| $\begin{aligned} & 909 \\ & \text { DATE } \\ & \text { CHILD } \\ & \text { WEIGHED } \\ & \text { AND } \\ & \text { MEASURED } \end{aligned}$ | DAY...... <br> MONTH . . . . <br> YEAR. . . . . | DAY...... <br> MONTH . . . . <br> YEAR. . . . . | DAY. . . . . .   <br> MONTH . . . .   <br>    <br> YEAR. . . . .   |
| $\begin{aligned} & 910 \\ & \text { RESULT } \end{aligned}$ | CHILD MEASURED. 1 CHILD SICK..... 2 CHILD NOT <br> PRESENT. . . . . . 3 <br> CHILD REFUSED. . 4 <br> MOTHER REFUSED. 5 <br> OTHER. . . . . . . . . . 6 <br> (SPECIFY) | CHILD MEASURED. 1 CHILD SICK..... 2 CHILD NOT <br> PRESENT. . . . . . 3 CHILD REFUSED. . 4 MOTHER REFUSED. 5 OTHER . . . . . . . . . . 6 <br> (SPECIFY) | CHILD MEASURED. 1 <br> CHILD SICK..... 2 <br> CHILD NOT <br> PRESENT. . . . . . 3 <br> CHILD REFUSED.. 4 <br> MOTHER REFUSED. 5 <br> OTHER . . . . . . . . . . 6 <br> (SPECIFY) |
| 911 <br> NAME OF <br> MEASURER: |  | NAME OF ASSISTANT: |  |

## SERVICE AVAILABILITY QUESTIONNAIRE

JORDAN
DEPARTMENT OF STATISTICS


|  | DAY | MONTH |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| CLUSTER VISIT START DATE |  |  |
|  | DAY | MONTH |
| CLUSTER VISIT END DATE |  |  |
|  | CODE |  |
| INTERVIEWER NAME |  |  |

SECTION 1A. COMMUNITY CHARACTERISTICS

| No. | QUESTIONS | COOING CATEGORIES | SKIP TO |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |

questions 101 to 103 are to be answered by the interviewer upon arrival at the cluster.


THE REMAINING QUESTIONS IN SECTIONS ONE AND TWO ARE TO BE ANSWERED BY KNOWLEDGEABLE INFORMANTS FROH THE CLUSTER.

| 104 | What is the major economic activity of the (LOCALITY) inhabitents? <br> (CIRCLE ONE) | AGRICULTURE............................ 1 <br> trading/marketing................... 2 <br> manufacturing. ...................... . . 3 <br> MINING/QUARRYING. $\qquad$ <br> SERVICES. $\qquad$ <br> OTHER. $\qquad$ |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 105 | Are there organized social groups (for example, cooperatives)? |  | $\rightarrow 107$ |
| 106 | What are their programs? <br> (CIRCLE ALL APPLICABLE) | COOPERATIVES.......................... 01 <br> SOCIAL. $\qquad$ <br> CULTURAL $\qquad$ .04 <br> RELIGIOUS. $\qquad$ .08 <br> vocational training. $\qquad$ .16 <br> OTHER. $\qquad$ |  |

SECTION 1B. AVAILABILITY OF PUBLIC SERVICES NEAREST TO OR IN THE CLUSTER.
INTERVIELER: Now I would like to ask you about distances to the nearest of various types of schools and services, how you usually go there and how long it takes to get from here.


CODES:

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\text { [a] } \begin{aligned}
& 97=97+ \\
& 00=\text { Less than } 1 / \text { located } \\
& \text { in cluster } \\
& 98=\text { Ho known facility }
\end{aligned}
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[b) Motorized.... 1
Cycling...... 2
Animal....... 3
Walking...... 4
other......... 5
COMNENTS :

SECTION 1C. HEALTH AND FAMILY PLANNING PROGRAMS IN THE CLUSTER.

| No. | QUESTIONS | CODIMG CATEGORIES | SKIP TO |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 110 | Is there a traditional birth attendant avallable to women here who regularly assists during delivery? | $\begin{aligned} & \text { YES . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . } 1 \\ & \text { NO. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . } 2 \end{aligned}$ | $\rightarrow$ SECTION |
| 111 | Has the traditional birth attendant had any special training from the MOH or other organization? | YES. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 1 <br> NO. ........................ 2 <br> DON'T KNOH............. 8 |  |
| 112 | Is the area covered by a trained midwife? | $\begin{aligned} & \text { YES . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . } 1 \\ & \text { NO. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . } 2 \end{aligned}$ |  |
| 113 | Does anyone come to talk to you about family planning in the past one month? | $\begin{aligned} & \text { YES. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . } 1 \\ & \text { No. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . } 2 \end{aligned}$ |  |

COMMENTS:

INTERVIEWER: I am going to visit health and family plaming facilities throughout Jordan and together se can identify those 1 am interested in. I plan to visit hospitals, private doctors/private doctor's clinics. heal th centers, and pharmacies.

What is the name of the nearest hospital providing general health services to this community?

What is the name of the nearest doctor/private doctor's clinic providing general health services to this community?

What is the name of the nearest heal th center providing general health services to this community?

What is the name of the nearest private pharmacy to this community?

INTERVIEWER: Now 1 am going to ask some additional questions about the facilities that you just mentioned.
A. HOSPITALS

| No. | QUESTIONS | CODING CATEGORIES | SKIP TO |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| A201 | name of hospital (COPY from section 2 Cover page). | HOSPITAL <br> HAME $\qquad$ $\qquad$ <br> NOT APPLICABLE............... 98 | $\rightarrow 8201$ |
| A202 | Where is it lacated? | ADDRESS |  |
| A203 | How far is it (in kns) from here? <br> (WRIte in '00' if less than 1 Xilometer. if 1 to 96 Xilometers, WRITE IN NUMBER AS GIVEN IN CLUSTER. IF 97 KILOMETERS OR MORE, URITE IN '97'.) | KILOMETERS $\qquad$ $\square$ <br> if more than 30 km |  |
| A204 | What is the most common type of transport to the hospital? | MOTORIZED (E.G. BUS)........ 1 <br> crcling.......................... 2 <br> ANIMAL $\qquad$ <br> halxing. $\qquad$ <br> OTHER. $\qquad$ |  |
| A205 | How long does it take to get from here to (HOSPITAL NAME) using most common type of transport? | HOURS $\qquad$ $\square$ <br> MINUTES. $\qquad$ $\square$ |   |
| A206 | Does (HOSPITAL NAME) provide family planning supplies? | YES................................ 1 NO.................................... 2 DON'T KNOW................... 8 |  |
| A207 | How many hospitals in total are there within 30 kilometers? | NONE............................... 0 <br> ONE $\qquad$ <br> TWO. $\qquad$ <br> three or four. $\qquad$ <br> fiVE OR MORE $\qquad$ |  |

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B. PRIVATE DOCTOR/PRIVATE DOCTOR'S CLINIC
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| No. | QUESTIONS | CODING CATEGORIES | SK1P 10 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| B201 | NAME OF PRIVATE DOCTOR/CLINIC (COPY FROM SECTION 2 COVER PAGE). | PRIVATE DOCTOR/CLINIC <br> NAME $\qquad$ $\qquad$ <br> HOT APPLICABLE............... 98 | C201 |
| B202 | Where is the practice located? | ADDRESS |  |
| 8203 | How fer is it (in kns) from here? <br> (WRITE IN 'O0' IF LESS THAN 1 KILOMETER. IF 1 TO 96 KILOMETERS, URITE IN NUMBER AS GIVEN IN CLUSTER. IF 97 KILOMETERS OR MORE, WRITE IN '97'.) | KILOMETERS. $\qquad$ $\square$ If MORE THAN 30 KM- |  |
| B204 | What is the most common type of transport to the doctor's practice/clinic? | MOTORIZED (E.G. BUS)........ 1 <br> CYCLING......................... 2 <br> ANIMAL. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 3 <br> WALKING......................... . 4 <br> OTHER............................... 5 |  |
| B205 | How long does it take to get from here to (PRIVATE DOCTOR'S NAME/CLINIC) using most common type of transport? | HOURS $\qquad$ $\square$ <br> MINUTES $\qquad$ $\square$ |   |
| B206 | Does this doctor/clinic provide family planning services? | $\begin{aligned} & \text { YES. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . } 1 \\ & \text { NO. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . } 2 \\ & \text { DON'T KNON. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . } 8 \end{aligned}$ |  |
| B207 | How many private doctor practices and private doctor's clinics in total are there within 30 kilometers? | NONE. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 0 <br> ONE................................ 1 <br> Two............................... 2 <br> THREE OR FOUR.................. 3 <br> FIVE OR MORE.................... 4 |  |

COMMENTS:

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C. health center
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| No. | Questions | COOING CATEGORIES | SKIP TO |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| c201 | name of health center (COPY from section 2 Cover page). | health center <br> NAME $\qquad$ $\qquad$ <br> NOT APPLICABLE. . . . . . . . . . . . 98 | $\rightarrow$ D201 |
| c202 | Where is it located? | ADDRESS |  |
| c203 | How far is it (in kms) from here? <br> (WRITE IN '00' If LESS THAN 1 KILOMETER. IF 1 TO 96 KILOMETERS, WRITE IN NUMBER AS GIVEN IN CLUSTER. IF 97 KILOMETERS OR MORE, WRITE IN '97'.) | XILOMETERS $\qquad$ $\square$ if more than 30 KM- | C206 |
| c204 | What is the most common type of transport to the health center? | MOTORIZED (E.G. BUS)........ 1 <br> CYCLING $\qquad$ <br> ANIMAL. $\qquad$ <br> walking. $\qquad$ <br> OTHER. $\qquad$ |  |
| C205 | How tong does it take to get from here to (HEALTH CENTER NAME) using most common type of transport? | HOURS. $\qquad$ $\square$ <br> MINUTES. $\qquad$ $\square$ |  |
| c206 | Does this health center provide family planning supplies? | YES................................ 1 <br> NO.............................. 2 <br> DON'T KNOW. $\qquad$ |  |
| c207 | How many heat th centers in total are there within 30 kilometers? | NONE $\qquad$ <br> ONE. $\qquad$ <br> THO. $\qquad$ <br> THREE OR FOUR. $\qquad$ <br> FIVE OR MORE.................. 4 |  |

COMMENTS:

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    D. PHARMACY
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| No. | QUESTIONS | COOING CATEGORIES | SKIP TO |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| D201 | NAME OF PHARMACY (COPY FROM SECTION 2 COVER PAGE). | PHARMACY <br> NAME $\qquad$ $\qquad$ <br> NOT APPLICABLE.............. . . 98 | $\rightarrow 208$ |
| D202 | Where is it located? | ADDRESS |  |
| D203 | How far is it (in kms) from here? <br> (WRITE IN '00' IF LESS THAN 1 KILOMETER. IF 1 TO 96 KILOMETERS, URITE IN NUMBER AS GIVEN IN CLUSTER. IF 97 KILOMETERS OR MORE, WRITE IN '97'.) | KILOMETERS $\qquad$ $\square$ IF MORE THAN 30 KM |  |
| 0204 | What is the most common type of transport to the pharmacy? | MOTORIZED (E.G. BUS)........ 1 CYCLING......................... 2 <br> ANIMAL........................... 3 <br> HALKING......................... 4 <br> OTHER. $\qquad$ |  |
| D205 | How long does it take to get from here to (PHARMACY NAME) using most common type of transport? | HOURS. $\qquad$ $\square$ <br> MINUTES $\qquad$ $\square$ |   |
| D206 | Does this pharmacy sell family planning supplies? | $\begin{aligned} & \text { YES . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . } 1 \\ & \text { NO. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . } 2 \\ & \text { DON'T KNOW. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . } 8 \end{aligned}$ | - |
| D207 | How many pharmacies in total are there within 30 kilameters? | NONE, . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 0 <br> ONE................................ 1 <br> THO.............................. 2 <br> THREE OR FOUR.................. 3 <br> FIVE OR MORE................... 4 |  |

COMMENTS:

| No. | QuESTIONS | CODING CATEGORIES | SKIP TO |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 208 | What is the name of the nearest facility or provider to this community where birth control pills can be obtained? | nearest pill provioer name |  |
| 209 | How far is it (in kms) from here? <br> (WRIte in '00' if less than 1 Kilometer. if 1 to 96 kilometers, WRITE IN NUMBER AS GIVEN IN CLUSTER. IF 97 xilometers OR MORE, WRITE IN '97'.) | KILOMETERS. $\qquad$ $\square$ |  |
| 210 | Would people in the commenity go to this facility for birth control pills? |  | 212 |
| 211 | Why would not they go to this facility? | TOO EXPENSIVE $\qquad$ <br> WAIT TOO LONG. $\qquad$ <br> Staff discourteaus............ 3 <br> MALE STAFF. $\qquad$ <br> PILL UNAVAILABLE. $\qquad$ OTHER $\qquad$ 6 <br> (SPECIFY) |  |
| 212 | What is the name of the nearest facility or provider to this community where condons can be obtained? | nearest condon provider name $\qquad$ |  |
| 213 | How far is it (in kms) from here? <br> (WRITE IN 'OO' IF LESS THAN 1 KILOMETER. IF 1 TO 96 KILOMETERS, LURITE IN NUMBER AS GIVEN IN CLUSTER. IF 97 KILOMETERS OR MORE, URITE IN '97'.) | KILOMETERS......... $\square$ |  |
| 214 | Would people in the community go to this facility for condorms? | $\begin{aligned} & \text { YES.............................. } 1 \text { - } \\ & \text { NO................................ } 2 \end{aligned}$ | 216 |
| 215 | Why would not they go to this facility? | TOO EXPENSIVE $\qquad$ <br> WAIT TOO LONG. $\qquad$ <br> STAFF DISCOURTEOUS............ 3 <br> male staff. $\qquad$ <br> CONDOM UNAVAILABLE........... 5 <br> OTHER $\qquad$ 6 <br> (SPECIFY) |  |


| No. | OUESTIONS | CODING CATEGORIES | SKIP TO |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 216 | What is the name of the nearest facility or provider to this community where injectables can be obtained? | nearest injectable provider NAME |  |
| 217 | How far is it (in kms ) from here? <br> (WRITE IN '00' IF LESS THAN 1 kILOMETER. IF 1 TO 96 KILOMETERS, WRITE IN NUMBER AS GIVEN IN CLUSTER. IF 97 KILOMETERS OR MORE, WRITE IN '97'.) | KILOMETERS $\qquad$ $\square$ |  |
| 218 | Would people in the community go to this facility for injectables? | YES <br> NO................................. 2 | - 220 |
| 219 | Why would not they go to this facility? | T0 EXPENSIVE.................... 1 <br> WAIT TOO LONG................... 2 <br> STAFF DISCOURTEOUS............ 3 <br> MALE STAFF........................ 4 <br> INJECTABLE UNAVAILABLE......... 5 <br> OTHER |  |
| 220 | What is the name of the nearest facility or provider to this community where foaming tablets can be obtained? | NEAREST FOAMING TABLET PROVIDER NAME |  |
| 221 | How far is it (in kms) from here? <br> (WRITE IN 'OO' IF LESS THAN 1 KILOMETER. IF 1 TO 96 KILOMETERS, WRITE IN NUMBER AS GIVEN IN CLUSTER. IF 97 KILOMETERS OR MORE, URITE IN '97'.) | KILOMETERS $\qquad$ $\square$ |  |
| 222 | Would people in the commity go to this facility for foaming tablets? | $\begin{aligned} & \text { YES. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . } 1 \text {. } \\ & \text { NO. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . } 2 \end{aligned}$ | -224 |
| 223 | Why would not they go to this facility? | TOO EXPENSIVE . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 1 <br> WAIT TOO LONG.................... 2 <br> STAFF DISCOURTEOUS............. 3 <br> MALE STAFF....................... 4 <br> FOAMING TABLETS UNAVAILABLE. 5 <br> OTHER |  |


| No. | Questions | COOING CATEGORIES | SKIP TO |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 224 | What is the name of the nearest facility or provider to this community where IUDs can be inserted? | NEAREST IUD PROVIDER NAME |  |
| 225 | How far is it (in kns) from here? <br> (URITE IN 'OO' If LESS than 1 KILOMETER. IF 1 to 96 KILOHETERS, URITE IN NUMBER AS GIVEN IN CLUSTER. If 97 KILOMETERS OR MORE, URITE IN '97'.) | KILOMETERS $\qquad$ $\square$ |  |
| 226 | Would people in the community go to this facility to have IUD inserted? | YES. <br> NO $\qquad$ | - 228 |
| 227 | Why would not they go to this facility? | TOO EXPENSIVE. $\qquad$ <br> WAIT TOO LONG................... 2 <br> STAFF DISCOURTEOUS............. 3 <br> maLE Staff......................... 4 <br> IUD UNAVAILABLE.................. 5 <br> other $\qquad$ 6 <br> (SPECIFY) |  |



END OF CLUSTER INTERVIEH.


[^9]SECTIOM 3. Date: $\qquad$ HOSPITAL VISIT Hospital Mane: $\qquad$
if the hospital is 30 kiloneters or less alay, it is to be visited. complete questions 300 to 302 upon arrival at the facility based on your own ooservations. then find a knowledgeable source at the facility to answer the REMAIMING OUESTIONS.

If this facility mas already been visited for a different cluster, record cluster muiger here:
If THE fACILIIY HAS ALREADY BEEN VISITED, A SECOND VISIT IS NOT NEEDED.


| 300 | If this is the first facility visiteo after the cluster visit record distance from cluster fron the oometer. | DISTANEE FRON CLUSTER.... $\square$ MOT FIRST FACILITY VISITED...... 98 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 301 | DO YOU ThinK that the estimate of distance to the facility GIVEN IN THE CLUSTER IS REASONABLE? | REASOMABLE. . ............................... . . 1 <br> OVERESTIMATED. $\qquad$ <br> UNDERESTIMATED $\qquad$ |
| 302 | do you think that the estimate of the time to the facility GIVEN IH THE CLUSTER IS REASONABLE? | REASOMABLE . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 1 <br> OVERESTIMATED $\qquad$ <br> UMDERESTIMATED. $\qquad$ |

questions to be asked of staff person at facility:

| No. | Questions | COOING CATEGORIES | SKIP to |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 303 | In that year did this hospital open? | Year openeo............. $19 \square \square$ |  |
| 304 | Under what authority is this hospital opersted? | GOVERNHENT/ARMED FORCES.............. 1 PRIVATE. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 2 ASSOCIATION................................. 3 OTHER $\qquad$ .4 |  |
| 305 | Are there restrictions on clients who can use this facility? $1 F$ YES, what restrictions? | YES ........................................ 1 <br> RESTRICTIONS: $\qquad$ $\qquad$ <br> NO. ........................................... . . 2 <br> DON'T KNOU................................... 8 |  |
| 306 | How many beds does this hospital have? | MUMSER OF BEDS....... $\square$ |  |
| 307 | On average, how many patients spend the night at this facility? | MUABER OF OVER- <br> MIGHT PATIENTS........ |  |
| 308 | On average, how many outpatients are seen daily at this facilitr | MLMBER OF DAILY OUTPATIENTS. $\qquad$ |  |


| No. | OUESTIONS | COOIME CATEGORIES | SKIP TO |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 309 | How many regular staff of the following types does the hospital have? | mumber of: <br> GEmERAL PRACTITIONERS. $\qquad$ $\square$ <br> SPECIALISTS $\qquad$ $\square$ <br> MURSES. $\qquad$ $\square$ <br> trained midulves $\qquad$ $\square$ <br> adXILLARY STAFF $\qquad$ $\square$ |  |
| 310 | What proportion of medical staff (doctors and nurses) have worked at this facility for more than a year? | PROPORTIOM AT <br> FACILITY FOR more than a tear |  |
| 311 | Does this facility normally use disposable needles when giving injections? | $\begin{aligned} & \text { ves. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . } 1 \\ & \text { no. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . } 2 \end{aligned}$ | 313 |
| 312 | Has this facility run out of its supply of disposable needles at ony time in the last 6 months? |  |  |
| 313 | What is the method most frequently used for the sterilization of medical instruments? | ELECTRIC STERILIZER...................... 1 <br> aUTOCLAVE. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 2 <br> Stean pressure. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 3 <br> OTHER. $\qquad$ <br> NONE. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 5 |  |
| 314 | Does the facility have the following items in working order: <br> Blood bank? <br> Table for gynecological examination? <br> Examination light for gynecological examination? <br> Microscope? <br> Alos test? |  |  |

COMHEMTS:

Wow I would like to ask you about maternal and child health, and family plaming services available at this hospital. ASK Q. 315 for the first Service. If this service is available, cowtimue across the table, if not, ask about the next SERVICE.

vaccimation avallability at the facility:
Now I would like to ask you about vaccines avaitable at this facility. ASK 0.322 FOR EACH MEDICATION. IF THE vaccine is avallable, ask 0.323. if the vaceine is not avallable, continue vith the mext vaccime.

| VACCIMES | 322 is (VACCINE) available now? | 323 At any time in the last 6 months did you run out of (VACCINE)? |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 DPT vaccine | $\begin{aligned} & \text { YES . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . } 1 \\ & \text { n0. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { YES. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . } 1 \\ & \text { M0. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . } \end{aligned}$ |
| $2 \int$ Polio vaccine |  |  |
| 3 Tetanus vaccine |  | Yes................................................................. 2 |
| 4 Measles vaccine |  |  |
| 5 - BCG vaccine |  |  |


| Mo. | QUESTIONS | cooing categories | SKIP 10 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 326 | Are ors packets available now? | YES............................................ 1 <br> NO. $\qquad$ | 326 |
| 325 | At ony time in the last 6 months did you run out of ORS packets? | $\begin{aligned} & \text { YES } \ldots \ldots \text {. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . } 1 \\ & \text { no. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . }{ }^{2} \end{aligned}$ |  |
| 326 | INTERVIEWER: CHECK 315 FOR ITEM 7. FANILY PLANHING. <br> IF "YES", CONPIETE 326-334. <br> IF ${ }^{\text {M MO", SKIP 326-334, AND GO TO } 335 . ~}$ <br> How many of the following types of staff in this hospital are trained and provide family plaming services? | Doctors. $\qquad$ $\square$ <br> HURSES $\qquad$ $\square$ <br> AUXILLARY STAFF $\qquad$ $\square$ |  |
| 327 | Are any doctors trsined in sterilization procedures? IF "YES", RECORD NUMBER. IF "NONE", URITE 00. | NLMBER OF DOCTORS. $\qquad$ |  |
| 328 | Are any doctors/other staff trained in 100 insertion? <br> If "YES", RECORD NUMBER. IF "NONE", URITE 00. | NUMBER OF DOCTORS. $\qquad$ <br> WUHBER OF <br> OTHER STAFF. $\qquad$ $\square$ |  |
| 329 | On average, how many new clients for family planning are seen monthly? | MEW PAT IENTS..........   |  |
| 330 | On average, how many clients visit monthly for resupply? | RESUPPLY PATIENTS.....   |  |

cowtraceptive method availagility:
Mow I would like to osk you about which family planning methods are available at this hospitat. ASK ABOUT THE FIRST METHCD. If TMIS METHCO IS aVAILABLE FROM THE HOSPITAL, MOVE ACROSS THE TABLE. If mOT, mOVE DOM THE TABLE.

| METHOD | 331 Is (METHCO) available? | 332 How many days per week is (METKOD) svailable? | 333 Have you run out of (METHOD) in the last 6 months? | 334 In what year did you first offer (METHCO)? |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 01 P Pill | YES............. 1 NO......... $\mid$ | $\square$ | YES............... 1 WO............ 2 | $19 \square$ |
| 02 IL0 | YES........... ${ }^{1}$ N0........... | $\square$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { TES. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . } 1 \\ & \text { mo. . . . . . . . . . . . } 2 \end{aligned}$ | 19 $\square$ |
| 03 Injection | $\begin{aligned} & \text { YES............. } 1 \\ & \text { NO............ } \end{aligned}$ | $\square$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { YES. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . } 1 \\ & \text { NO. . . . . . . . . . } 2 \end{aligned}$ | $19$ $\square$ |
| 04 Condom | YES........... 1 No......... 21 |  | YES............... 1 W0............ 2 | 19 |
| foan/jelly | YES.......... ${ }^{1}$ no. ${ }^{2} . . . . . .{ }^{2}$ | $\square$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { YES. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . } 1 \\ & \text { HO.. . . . . . . . . . } 2 \end{aligned}$ | 19 |
| 06 Femste sterilization | YES............ 1 HO............. . 2 \| |  |  |  |
| Other methods Specify $\qquad$ | YES.......... N0.......... 3354 | $\square$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { YES. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . } 1 \\ & \text { No. . . . . . . . . . . } 2 \end{aligned}$ | 19 $\square$ |



QUESTIONS 336 and 337 are to be answered ay the intervieuer after the facility visit is complete.
336 DID THE IMFORMANT SEEM KNOULEDGEABLE? $\quad$ YES.....................................

SECTION 4. Date: $\qquad$ PRIVATE DOCTOR/ PRIVATE DOCTOR'S CLINIC VISIT (NOW-GOVERNMENTAL)

Clinic Name: $\qquad$
If the climic is 30 kilometers or less auyy, it is to be visited. complete ouestiows 400 to 402 upon arrival at the facility based ow your ow observations. them find a kmohledgeable source at the facility to amswer the REMIMING OUESTIONS.

IF ThIS facility has already been visited for a differemt cluster, record cluster murber here:
If the facility has already been visited, a second visit is not meeded.


| 400 | if this is the firsi facility visited after the cluster visit RECORD DISTANCE FROM CLUSTER FROM THE COOMETER. | DISTAMCE FROM CLUSTER.... $\square$ not first facility visited...... 98 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 401 | DO yOU think that the estimate of distance fo the facility GIVEN IN THE CLUSTER IS REASOWABLE? | REASOWABLE. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 1 <br> OVEREST IMATED $\qquad$ <br> UNDERESTIMATED. $\qquad$ |
| 402 | do you think that the estimate of the time to the facility GIVEN IM THE CLUSTER IS REASOMABLE? | REASOHABLE..... . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 1 <br> OVERESTIMATED. $\qquad$ <br> UNDERESTIMATED. $\qquad$ |

questions to be asked of staff person at facility:

| No. | QUESTIOMS | CODING CATECORIES | SKIP T0 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 403 | In what year did this clinic open? | YEAR OPENED $\qquad$ . 19 $\square$ |  |
| 406 | Under that authority is this clinic operated? | PRIVATE. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 1 <br> association. $\qquad$ <br> OTNER. $\qquad$ |  |
| 405 | Are there restrictions on clients who can use this facility IF YES, that restrictions? | YES ...................................... 1 <br> RESTRICTIONS: $\qquad$ $\qquad$ <br> мо. $\qquad$ 2 <br> DOW'T KMOU. $\qquad$ |  |
| 408 | On average, how many outpatients are seen daily at this facility | NUMBER OF DAILY OUTPATIENTS............ |  |


| No. | CUESTIOWS | COOIMG CATEGORIES | SKIP 10 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 409 | How many regular staff of the following types does the clínic have? | mLober of: <br> GEMERAL PRACTITIOWERS..... $\square$ <br> SPECIALISTS. $\qquad$ $\square$ <br> MLSES. $\qquad$ $\square$ <br> TRAINED MIDUIVES $\qquad$ $\square$ <br> auxillary staff $\qquad$ $\square$ |  |
| 411 | Does this facility normally use disposable need es when giving injections? | YES.......................................... 1 <br> NO. . ......................................... 2 | 413 |
| 412 | Has this facility run out of its supply of disposable needles at any time in the last 6 months? |  |  |
| 413 | What is the method nost frequently used for the sterilization of medical inetruments? | ELECTRIC STERILIZER..................... 1 <br> aUTOCLAVE. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 2 <br> STEAK PRESSURE.......................... . 3 <br> OTHER....................................... . . 4 <br> MONE. $\qquad$ |  |
| 414 | Does the facility have the foltowing items in working order: Blood bank? <br> Table for aynecological examinetion? <br> Exanination light for gynecological examination? Microscope? <br> AIDS test? |  |  |

COMENTS:
$\qquad$
$\qquad$

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services avallable at the facility:
Now I would like to ask you about maternal and child health, and family planning gervices available at this clinic. ask 0.415 for the first seryice. If this service is avallable, comilmue across the table, if mat, ask about the mext service.

| SERYICE | $\left\lvert\, \begin{aligned} & 415 \text { Is } \\ & \text { (SERVICE) } \\ & \text { available7 } \end{aligned}\right.$ | 1416 How many days per week is (SERVICE) available? | 417 What is the average fee for (SERVICE)? FREE "96" LESS THAN 1 $\mathrm{JD=00}$ $95 \mathrm{JD}+=95$ | 1418 On average, what proportion of potients poy for (SERVICE)? | 1619 On average, how many patients are seen daily for (SERVICE)? |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 Antenatal care | $\begin{aligned} & \text { YES . . . . } 1 \\ & \text { MO. . . . } \end{aligned}$ |  | JD |  |    |  |
| 3 Postratal care | $\begin{aligned} & \text { YES.... } 1 \\ & \text { NO..... } 2 \\ & \mid \end{aligned}$ |  | JD |  |  |  |
| Child fmanizs* tion sessions | $\begin{gathered} \text { YES.... } 1 \\ \text { NO..... } 2 \\ \mid \end{gathered}$ |  | JD $\square$ |  |  |  |
| 5 <br> Child grouth monitoring cescions | $\begin{aligned} & \text { YES.... } 1 \\ & \text { MO. . . . } 2 \end{aligned}$ |  | JD |  |  |  |
| Oral rehydration therapy | $\begin{aligned} & \text { YES.... } 1 \\ & \text { NO..... } 2 \\ & \mid \end{aligned}$ |  | JD |  |  | 19 |
| 7 Family planning | $\begin{aligned} & \text { YES . . . . } 1 \\ & \text { NO. . . } 2 \\ & 422 . \end{aligned}$ | $\square$ | J0 | $\square$ |  | $19 \square$ |

[a] 0 a Whenever a patient requests the service.
vaccimation avajlability at the facility:
Now I would like to ask you about vaccines available at this facility. ASK 0.422 FOR EACH MEDICATION. IF THE VACCINE IS available, asK 0.423. If the vaccine is hot available, contimue vith the next vaccine.

| Vaccines | 422 Is (VACCIME) available now? | 423 At any time in the last 6 months did you run out of (VACCINE)? |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 OPT vaccine | YES................................................. 2 . | $\begin{aligned} & \text { YES. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . } 2 \text {. } \\ & \text { n0. . . . . . . . } \end{aligned}$ |
| 2 Polio vaccine |  | Yes................... . . . . . . . . . . . . 1 |
| 3 Tetanus vaccine |  |  |
| 4 Measles vaccine |  |  |
| 5 BCG vaccine |  |  |


| Ho. | OUESTIOWS | CODING CATEGORIES | SKIP 10 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 426 | Are ORS packeta available now? | $\begin{aligned} & \text { YES. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . } 1 \\ & \text { мо. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . } 2 \end{aligned}$ | $\rightarrow 426$ |
| 425 | At any time in the last 6 months did you run out of oas packets? | $\begin{aligned} & \text { YES. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . } 1 \\ & \text { no. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . } 2 \end{aligned}$ |  |
| 426 | IMTERVIEUER: CHECK 415 FOR ITEM 7. FAMILY PLANMING. <br> IF "YESn, COMPLETE 426-434. <br> IF -NO", SKIP 426-434, AND CO 10435. <br> How many of the following types of staff in this clinic are trained and provide family plaming services? | DOCTORS $\qquad$ $\square$ <br> NURSES $\qquad$ $\square$ <br> AUXILLARY STAFF $\qquad$ $\square$ |  |
| 427 | Aro any doctors trained in sterilization procedures? If "YES", RECORD MUNBER. IF "NONE", YRIJE 00. | NUNBER OF DOCTORS. |  |
| 428 | Are any doctors/other staff trained in IUD insertion? <br> If "YES", RECORD NUMBER. IF "NONE", URITE 00. | MUMBER OF DOCTORS......................... <br> MLMBER OF <br> OTHER STAFF $\qquad$ $\square$ |  |
| 429 | On average, how many nev clients for family planning are seen monthiy? | NEW PATIENTS..........   |  |
| 430 | On average, how many clients visit monthly for resupply? | RESUPPLY PATIEMTS....  <br>   |  |

COMTRACEPTIVE METHCD AVAILABILITY:
Now I would like to ask you about wich family planning methods are available at this clinic. ASK ABOUT THE FIRST METHCD. IF THIS METHCD IS AVAILABLE FRCM THE CLIMIC, mOVE ACROSS THE TABLE. If mOT, MOVE DON THE TABLE.

| METHCO | $\begin{aligned} & 431 \text { is (METHCD) } \\ & \text { ovailable? } \end{aligned}$ | 432 How many days per week is (METHCD) available? [a] | 433 Have you run out of (METHCD) in the last 6 months? | 434 In what year did you first offer (METHCD)? |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 01 Pill |  | $\square$ |  |  |
| 021100 | YES........... 1 N0......... 2 |  | Yes................ 1 | 19 |
| 03 Injection |  |  | YES............... 1 | 19 $\square$ |
| 04.1 Condien | YES........... ${ }^{1}$ W0......... ${ }^{2}$ |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { YES. . . . . . . . . . . . . . } 1 \\ & \text { MO. . . . . . . . . . . . } 2 \end{aligned}$ | 19 $\square$ |
|  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { YES............. } 1 \\ & \text { no............. } 2 \end{aligned}$ |  | YES............... 1 M0............. 2 | 19 $\square$ |
| $\square$ Other methods Specify $\qquad$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Yes . . . . . . . . . . . . } \\ & \text { no. . . . . . . } 435 \end{aligned}$ | $\square$ |  | 19 $\square$ |

[a] $0=$ thenever method is requested.

| 435 | What is your position or title here? |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |

QUESTIONS 436 and 437 are to be answered by the interviewer after the facility visit is complete.


SECTION 5. Date: $\qquad$
Wealth Center Mame: $\qquad$
IF THE MEALTH CENTER IS 30 KILOHETERS OR LESS AMAY, IT IS TO BE VISITED. CONPLETE OUESTIONS 500 TO 502 UPON ARAIVAL At the facility based on your omi observations. then find a kmowledceable source at the facitity to amswer the REMAIMING CUESTIONS.

If this facility mas already been visited for a different cluster, record culster muber here:
If The facility mas already been visited, a second visit is mot meeded.


| 500 | If this is the first facility visited after the cluster visit RECORD DISTANCE FRON CLUSTER FRON THE CDONETER. | DISTANCE FROH CLUSTER.... $\square$ NOT FIRST FACILITY VISITED...... 98 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 501 | do you think that the estimate of distance to the facility GIVEN IN THE CLUSTER IS REASOWABLE? | REASOMABLE. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 1 <br> OVERESTIMATED. $\qquad$ <br> UNDERESTIMATED. $\qquad$ |
| 502 | do you think that the estimate of the time to the facility given in the cluster is reasowable? | REASOHABLE. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 1 <br> OVERESTIMATED $\qquad$ <br> UNDERESTIMATED. $\qquad$ |

questions to be asked of staff person at facility:

| No. | OUESTIOWS | CODING CATEGORIES | SKIP 10 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 503 | In what year did this health center open? | YEAR OPENED. . . . . . . . . . . $19 \square \square$ |  |
| 504 | Under that authority is this heat th center operatedt | GOVERNMENT/ARMED FORCES............. . 1 PRIVATE. $\qquad$ association.................................. 3 OTHER $\qquad$ .4 |  |
| 505 | Are there restrictions on clients tho can use this facility? IF YES, what restrictions? | YES ...................................... 1 <br> RESTRICTIONS: $\qquad$ $\qquad$ <br> no........................................... . . 2 <br> DOW'T KHON. $\qquad$ |  |
| 506 | How many beds does this health center have? | MUMBER DF BEDS........ $\square^{\square}$ |  |
| 507 | On average, how many patients spend the night at this focility? | NUMBER OF OVER- <br> WIGHT PATIENTS. $\qquad$ |  |
| 508 | On average, how many outpatients are seen daily at this facility? | MLABER OF DAILY QUTPATIENTS............ |  |


| Mo. | OUESTIONS | CODIM CaIEGORIES | SKIP TO |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 509 | How many regular staff of the following types does the health center hove? | Mumber of: <br> GEMERAL PRACTITIOAERS. $\qquad$ $\square$ <br> SPECIALISTS. $\qquad$ $\square$ <br> MURSES. $\qquad$ $\square$ <br> trained miduives. $\qquad$ $\square$ <br> AUXILLARY STAFF $\qquad$ $\square$ |  |
| 510 | What proportion of medical staff (doctors and nurses) have worked at this facility for more then year? | PROPORTION AT <br> FACILITY FOR $\qquad$ mORE THAN A YEAR |  |
| 511 | Does this facility normally use disposable needles when giving injections? | $\begin{aligned} & \text { yes. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . } 1 \\ & \text { no. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . } 2 \end{aligned}$ | 513 |
| 512 | Has this facility run out of its supply of disposable needles at any time in the last 6 months? |  |  |
| 513 | What is the method most frequently used for the sterilization of ardical instruments? | ELECTRIE STERILIZER....................... 1 <br> autoclave. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 2 <br> STEAM PRESSURE. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 3 <br> OTHER. $\qquad$ <br> NONE. . . . . . . . . . ........................... . . 5 |  |
| 514 | Does the facility have the following items in working order: <br> Blood bank? <br> Table for gynecological examination? <br> Examination light for gynecological examination? <br> Mieroscope? <br> Alos test? |  |  |

COWMEWTS:
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$\qquad$
services available at the facility:
How I would like to ask you about maternal and chitd health services available at this health center. ASK 0.515 FOR THE first service. If this service is available, contimue across the table, if mot, ask about the mext service.

| SERVICE | $\left\{\begin{array}{l} 515 \text { Is } \\ \text { (SERVICE) } \\ \text { available? } \end{array}\right.$ | 516 How many doys per week is (SERVICE) available? | 1517 What is the average fee for (SERVICE)? <br> FREE "96" <br> LESS THAN 1JD=00 <br> $95 \mathrm{JD}+=95$ | 518 On average, what proportion of patients pay for (SERVICE)? | 519 On average, how many patients are seen daily for (SERVICE)? | 520 In what year was (SERVICE) first offered here? |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 Antenatal care | $\begin{aligned} & \text { YES.... } 1 \\ & \text { NO..... } \end{aligned}$ |  | JD |  |  | $10$ |
| 3 - Postnatal care | YES.... NO.... 2 |  | JD |  |  | 19 |
|  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { YES.... } 1 \\ & \text { MO.... } ? \end{aligned}$ | $\square$ | JD $\square$ |  |  | 19 |
| Child grouth monitoring eessions | YES.... 1 NO.... 2 |  | JD |  |    | $19$ |
| 6 Oral rehydration therapy | YES.... NO.... 2 |  | JD |  |  | 19 |
| 7 ¢ Fanily plaming | YES.... no....2 5214 |  | JD $\square$ | $\square$ |  | $19 \square$ |

(a) $0=$ Whenever a potient requests the service.

| No. | OUESTIONS | COOING CATEGORIES | SKIP 10 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 521 | Is there a dispensary/pharmacy affiliated with this ciinicy | YEs............................................. 1 no. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 2 |  |

vaccimation avallabillty at the facility:
Now I would like to ask you about vaccines available at this facility. ask o. 522 for each medicatlow. IF The vaccime is available, ask 0.523. If the vaccine is mot available, continue yith the mext vaccine.

| Vaccines | 522 Is (VACCIME) availsble now? | 523 At any time in the last 6 months did you run out of (VACCINE)? |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 DPPT vaccine | $\begin{aligned} & \text { TES. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . } \end{aligned}$ |  |
| 2 Polio vaccine |  |  |
| 3 ¢ Tetarns vaceine |  |  |
| 4 Measles vaccine | $\begin{aligned} & \text { YES. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . } 1 \\ & \text { m0. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { YES. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . } 1 \\ & \text { n0. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . } 2 \end{aligned}$ |
| 5 BCC vaccine |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { YES............................................................................ } 2 \end{aligned}$ |


| Mo. | QUESTIOWS | COOING CATEGORIES | SKIP 10 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 524 | Are ORS packeta available now? | VEs.......................................... 1 <br> MO........................................... 2 | 526 |
| 525 | At any time in the last 6 months did you run out of ors peckete? | $\text { หея.............................................. } 1$ |  |
| 526 | IMTERVIEWER: CHECK 515 FOR ITEM 7. FAMILY PLAMNIMG. <br> JF UYES4, COMPLETE 526-534. <br> IF "MOM, SKIP 526-534, AND 60 TO 535. <br> How many of the following types of staff in this heelth center are trained and provide family plaming sorvices? | DOCTORS. $\qquad$ $\square$ <br> MURSES $\qquad$ $\square$ <br> AUXILLARY STAFF. $\qquad$ $\square$ |  |
| 527 | Ars any doctors trained in eterilization procedures? IF "YES", RECORD MUMBER. IF "NONE", LRITE 00. | MUWBER OF DOCTORS. |  |
| 528 | Are any doctors/other staff trained in 100 insertion? <br> If "YES", RECORD NUMBER, If "MONE", URITE 00. | NUWBER OF DOCTORS. $\square$ <br> number of <br> OTHER STAFF $\qquad$ $\square$ |  |
| 529 | On average, how many new clients for fanily planning are seen monthly? | MEV PATIENTS.......... $\square^{\square}$ |  |
| 530 | On average, how many clients visit monthly for resupply | RESUPPLY PATIENTS..... $\square$ |  |

## COWTRACEPTIVE METHOD AVAILABILITY:

Wow I would like to ask you about wich family planning methode are evailable at this clinic. ASK ABOUT THE FIRST METHOD. if this method is ayailable from the clintc, move across the table. if mot, move dow the table.

| METHOD* | 532 Is (METHCD) available? | 533 Now many days per week is (METHCD) available? [a] | 534 have you run out of (METHCD) in the last 6 months? | 535 In what year did you first offer (METHOO)? |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 01 Pill | YES............ 1 NO............ 2 | $\square$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { YES. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . } 1 \\ & \text { NO. . . . . . . . } \end{aligned}$ | $19 \square$ |
| 02 110 | YES............. ${ }^{1}$ NO. ............ ${ }^{2}$ |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { YES. . . . . . . . . . . . . . } 1 \\ & \text { MO. . . . . . . . . . . . . } 2 \end{aligned}$ | $19$ $\square$ |
| 03 Injection | YES........... 1 |  | YES................ 1 mo. $1 . . . . . . . . . . . ~$ | 19 $\square$ |
| $06 \int$ Condom | YES.......... 1 W0........... 2 |  | YEs. . . . . . . . . . . . . 1 mo.......... 2 | $19$ $\square$ |
| 05 <br> Foaning tablets/ foam jolly | $\begin{aligned} & \text { YEs. . . . . . . . . . } 1 \\ & \text { no. . . . . . . . } 2 \end{aligned}$ |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { YEs. . . . . . . . . . . . . . } 1 \\ & \text { no. . . . . . . . . . . . } 2 \end{aligned}$ | $19$ $\square$ |
| 06 Fenale sterilization | YES............. 1 <br> NO. . . . . . . . . . . 2 |  |  |  |
| $\square$ Other methods Specify $\qquad$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { YES . . . . . . . . . . . } 1 \\ & \text { WO. . . . . . } 535{ }^{2} \end{aligned}$ | $\square$ | YES.................... 1 M0............... 2 |  |

(a) $0=$ Whenever method is requested.

535
What is your position or title here?

Questions 536 and 537 are to be answered by the imtervieger after the facility visit is complete.

| 536 | DID THE IMFORMANT SEEM KMOWLEDGEABLE? | $\begin{aligned} & \text { YES . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . } \\ & \text { no. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . } 2 \end{aligned}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 537 | ADOITIOWAL COMMENTS: |  |

SECTION 6. Date:
IF the pharmacy is 30 kilometers or less ahay, it is to be visited. complete questiows 600 to 602 upon arrival at the facility based on your own observations. then find a kmowledgeable source ay the facility to ansuer the REMAIMING QUESTIONS.
if this facility has already been visited for a different cluster, record cluster mumber nere: IF THE FACILITY HAS ALREADY BEEN VISITED, A SECOND VISIT IS HOT MEEDED.


| 600 | If this is the first facility visited after the cluster visit RECORD DISTANCE FROM CLUSTER FROM THE COMETER. | OISTANCE FROM CLUSTER.... $\square$ MOT FIRST FACILITY VISITED $\qquad$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 601 | do you think that the estimate of distance to the facility given in the cluster is reasowable? | REASONABLE. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 1 <br> OVERESTIMATED $\qquad$ <br> UNDERESTIMATED $\qquad$ |
| 602 | do you think that the estimate of the time to the facility GIVEN IN THE CLUSTER IS REASONABLE? | REASONABLE. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 1 <br> OVERESTIMATED $\qquad$ <br> UndERESTIMATED $\qquad$ |

QUESTIOWS TD BE ASKED OF STAFF PERSON AT facIlity:

| No. | OUESTIOWS | COOING CATEGORIES | SKIP TO |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 603 | How many hours per week is the pharmacy open? | HOURS PER WEEK............. $\square$ |  |
| 604 | How many days per week is the pharmacy open? | DAYS PER HEEK.................... |  |
| 605 | Is there a trained pharmacist available? | $\begin{aligned} & \text { YES. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . } 1 \\ & \text { N0. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . } 2 \end{aligned}$ |  |
| 606 | In that year did the pharmacy open? | YEAR OPEMED............. $19 \square \square$ |  |

medicat lom avallability at the facility:
Now 1 would like to ask you about medications available at this facility. ASK 0.608 for EACH MEDICATION. If THE MEDICATION is available, cowtimue across the table. if the medication is not available, ask about the mext medication.

| MEDICATION | $\begin{gathered} 607 \text { Is (HEDICAIION) } \\ \text { available nou? } \end{gathered}$ | 608 At any time in the last 6 months did you run out of (MEDICATION)? | 609 Do you carry a social marketing brand of (MEDICATION)? |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 Chloroquine | $\begin{aligned} & \text { YES . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . } 1 \\ & \text { no. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . }{ }^{2} \text {. } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { YES . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . } 1 \\ & \text { NO. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . } 2 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { YES . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . } 1 \\ & \text { NO. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . } 2 \end{aligned}$ |
| 2 Quinine/Fansidar | $\begin{aligned} & \text { YES . . . . . . . . . . . . . . } 1 \\ & \text { no. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . }{ }^{2} \text { ح } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { YES.............................. } 1 \\ & \text { NO. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . } 2 \end{aligned}$ | YES.............................. 1 <br> N0................................ 2 |
| 3 Penicillin | $\begin{aligned} & \text { YES. . . . . . . . . . . . . . } 1 \\ & \text { NO. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . } 2 \text {. } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { YES. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . } 1 \\ & \text { No. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . } 2 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { YES. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . } 1 \\ & \text { NO. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . } 2 \end{aligned}$ |
| 4 Iron-folate tablets | $\begin{aligned} & \text { YES. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . } 1 \\ & \text { NO. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . }{ }^{2} \text { ㄱ․ } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { YES . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . } 1 \\ & \text { no. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . } 2 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { YES . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . } 1 \\ & \text { NO. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . } 2 \end{aligned}$ |
| 5 ORS packets | $\begin{aligned} & \text { TES . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . } 1 \\ & \text { No. . . . . . . . . . . . . . } 610.2 \\ & \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { YES.............................. } 1 \\ & \text { NO................................. } 2 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { YES . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . } 1 \\ & \text { NO. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . } \end{aligned}$ |


| No. | OUESTIOWS | COOING CATEGORIES | SKIP 10 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 610 | Does this pharmacy carry famity plaming methods? | yEs............................................. 1 | 614 |

COMTRACEPIIVE METHOD AVAILABILITY


| METHCD | 611 Is (METHCO) available? | 612 At any time in the last 6 months did you run out of (METHCD)? | 613 Are you a distributor of this (METHCD)? |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 01 Pill |  | res...................................... 1 <br> NO. ........................................ 2 |  |
| 02 100 |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { YES. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . } \\ & \text { no. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . } 2 \end{aligned}$ |
| 03 Condon | $\begin{aligned} & \text { YES . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . } \\ & \text { NO. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . } \\ & 2 \end{aligned}$ | $\text { YES. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . } 1$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { YES . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . } 1 \\ & \text { No. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . } 2 \end{aligned}$ |
| $\qquad$ Foaming tablets/ foad jelly | $\begin{aligned} & \text { YES . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . } 1 \\ & \text { NO. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . }{ }^{2} \text { ! } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { res. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . } 1 \\ \text { no. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . } 2 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { YES................................. } \\ & \text { no................................ } \end{aligned}$ |
| $\square$ Other methods Specify $\qquad$ | YES. $\qquad$ <br> NO. $\qquad$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { YES. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . } 1 \\ & \text { no. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . } 2 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { YES. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . } 1 \\ & \text { no. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . } 2 \end{aligned}$ |


| No. | CUESTIONS | COOING CATEGORIES |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 614 | Uhat is your position or title here? |  |  |


| 615 | dio the informant seem knowledgeable? |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |

616 ADDITIOMAL COMMENTS:
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[^0]:    ${ }^{1}$ Jordan and Egypt were the only two DHS countries that included prolonged breastfeeding in the list of family planning methods on which respondents were prompted.

[^1]:    ${ }^{2}$ To maintain comparability with data from previous surveys, prolonged breastfeeding is not included as a family planning method.

[^2]:    ${ }^{3}$ Source: Sayed, et al., 1989 (Egypt); Azelmat, Ayad and Belhachmi, 1989 (Morocco); Aloui, Ayad and Fourati, 1989 (Tunisia).
    ${ }^{4}$ Prolonged breastfeeding is excluded from the data for Egypt and Jordan.

[^3]:    -- Less than 0.05 percent

[^4]:    ${ }^{5}$ The median is calculated for women under 40 years of age in order to minimize problems of censoring.

[^5]:    ${ }^{6}$ Discontinuation rates presented in Table 4.13 refer to all episodes of contraceptive use in the period of time covered by the calendar, not just those episodes that began during this period. These are cumulative one-year discontinuation rates and represent the proportion of users discontinuing a method by 12 months after the start of use. The rates are calculated by dividing the number of discontinuations for each reason at each duration of use in single months by the number of months of exposure at that duration. The single-month rates are then cumulated to produce a one-year rate. The reasons for discontinuation are treated as competing risks (net rates).

[^6]:    ${ }^{7}$ The small proportion of women in the oldest age group who have attended higher education and are favorable toward family planning messages ( 76 percent) is probably due to the small number of women in that category.

[^7]:    -- Less than 0.05 percent
    ${ }^{1}$ Includes current pregnancy
    ${ }^{2}$ Excludes women who gave non-numeric responses

[^8]:    NA $=$ Not applicable
    ${ }^{1}$ Both year and month of birth given
    ${ }^{2}\left(B_{w} / B_{y}\right)^{1} 100$, where $B_{a}$ and $B_{f}$ are the numbers of male and female birtha, respectively
    ${ }^{3}\left[2 \mathrm{~B}_{2} /\left(\mathrm{B}_{2-1}+\mathrm{B}_{\mathrm{n}+1}\right)\right]^{\star 1} 100$, where $\mathrm{B}_{\mathrm{x}}$ is the number births in calendar year $\boldsymbol{x}$

[^9]:    *CODES FOR EDUCATION: None/illiterate.
    None/literate. ...............................
    Primary................................................. 3
    Preparatory.......................... 4
    Secondary........................... . . . . 5
    Higher.................................. 6

