

TABLE 4.8 MAIN REASON FOR NEVER PRACTICING FAMILY PLANNING – BY PROVINCE AND MAIN REASON

PROVINCE AND MAIN REASON	2005-06 PSLM (%)		
	URBAN	RURAL	OVERALL
PUNJAB:			
Wanted children	32	32	32
Spouse prefers not	4	3	3
Religious reasons	4	7	6
Fear of bad side effects	4	4	4
Pregnant	14	15	15
Lactating	12	11	11
Menopausal	5	5	5
Other	25	23	24
Total	100	100	100
SINDH:			
Wanted children	34	34	34
Spouse prefers not	10	4	7
Religious reasons	7	7	7
Fear of bad side effects	4	3	3
Pregnant	11	16	14
Lactating	14	22	19
Menopausal	6	4	5
Other	14	9	11
Total	100	100	100
NWFP:			
Wanted children	24	25	25
Spouse prefers not	5	3	3
Religious reasons	4	7	6
Fear of bad side effects	4	2	3
Pregnant	14	16	15
Lactating	21	22	22
Menopausal	5	5	5
Other	21	20	20
Total	100	100	100
BALUCHISTAN:			
Wanted children	38	31	33
Spouse prefers not	11	8	9
Religious reasons	13	18	16
Fear of bad side effects	2	3	3
Pregnant	13	14	14
Lactating	7	7	7
Menopausal	1	1	1
Other	11	13	13
Total	100	100	100
OVERALL PAKISTAN:			
Wanted children	32	31	31
Spouse prefers not	7	4	5
Religious reasons	6	7	7
Fear of bad side effects	4	3	3
Pregnant	13	15	15
Lactating	13	16	15
Menopausal	5	5	5
Other	20	19	19
Total	100	100	100

NOTES:

- Percentage of women that indicated the reason given, expressed as a percentage of all currently married women aged 15 - 49 years that have never practiced family planning.
- Reason for not using family planning: In the 2005-06 PSLM & 2001-02 PIHS, respondents could report only one reason for not practising family planning (Q. 4 in Section 4, Part C in the questionnaire).
- Categories: "Other" includes "Not available", "Too expensive", "Not effective", "Not available regularly", "Self opposed", "Relative opposed", "Husband Away", "Lack of knowledge", "Infertility", "Hysterectomy" and "Other"