



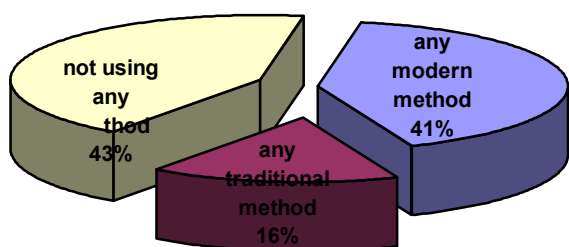
Did you know that...

...in 2006, 42.8 percent of currently married women in Davao Region are not using any contraception?

With the high percentage of currently married men and women who know at least one contraceptive method and at least one modern method in Region XI, still, 42.8 percent of currently married women do not use any contraceptive method in the year 2006.

The final result of the 2006 Family Planning Survey (FPS) released by the National Statistics Office (NSO) revealed that only 57.2 percent of currently married women in Region XI are using any method of family planning, 41.1 percent and 16.1 percent of which are using modern and traditional method, respectively.

Fig. 1: Contraceptive Prevalence Rate in Davao Region by method, 2006

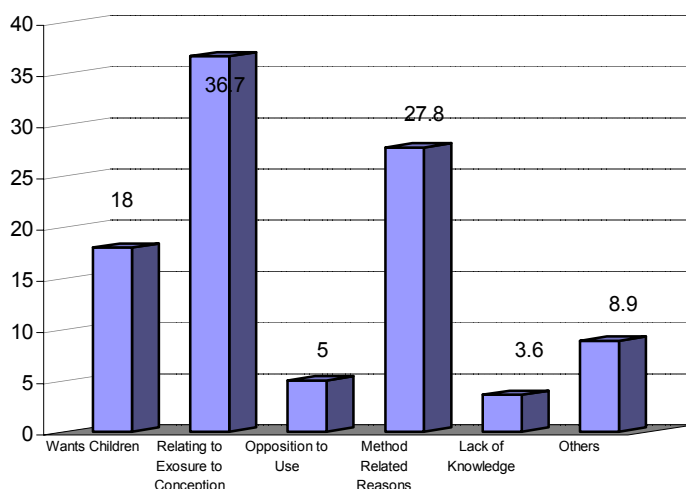


Survey revealed that about 37 percent of the currently married women who are not using contraceptive method in Davao Region reported reasons for non-use of a contraceptive method which are related to exposure to conception such as difficulty to get pregnant, menopausal or had hysterectomy, amenorrhic, and infrequent sex or husband is away.

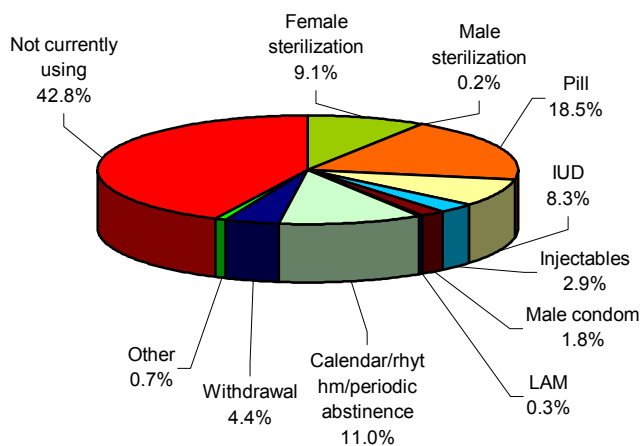
About 28 percent of the surveyed women cited method related reasons with 12.4 percent those concerning health concerns, 11.4 percent those concerning fear of side effects and 4.0 percent other method-related reasons.

Wanting to get pregnant is the main reason of 18 percent of the currently women for non-use of contraceptive. Around 5.0 percent are opposed to use any contraceptive method or prohibited by their religion while 3.6 percent are not using any contraceptive for reason that they lack knowledge on contraceptive methods.

Fig. 2: Reasons for not using contraception, Davao Region, 2006



Among the contraceptive methods enumerated in the survey, pill is the most often used of the 18.5 percent of currently married women. Those who opted to use the traditional method of calendar or rhythm consists of 11 percent. Another 9.1 percent chose to have ligation to permanently prevent them from becoming pregnant. Another common contraceptive is the intrauterine device (IUD), which is often used by 8.3 percent of the currently married women.



Source of data: 2006 Family Planning Survey, NSO