

Table 1.1 Age, by sex

Base: All

	Men	Women
	%	%
16-17	6.6	6.3
18-19	5.5	5.7
20-24	14.6	14.3
25-34	37.5	37.3
35-44	35.8	36.3
<i>Bases (weighted)</i>	<i>5679</i>	<i>5483</i>
<i>Bases (unweighted)</i>	<i>4762</i>	<i>6399</i>

Table 1.2 Marital status, by sex

Base: All

	Men	Women
	%	%
Married	39.9	44.2
Cohabiting, opposite sex partner	15.7	17.8
Cohabiting, same sex partner	0.8	0.4
Divorced/separated/widowed	4.4	7.7
Single	39.3	29.9
<i>Bases (weighted)</i>	<i>5664</i>	<i>5470</i>
<i>Bases (unweighted)</i>	<i>4747</i>	<i>6383</i>

Table 1.3 Education level, by sex

Base: Aged 18 or over

	Men	Women
	%	%
A level or above	38.0	35.5
GCSE/O level/CSE	44.1	46.9
None or other	17.9	17.5
<i>Bases (weighted)</i>	<i>5288</i>	<i>5116</i>
<i>Bases (unweighted)</i>	<i>4442</i>	<i>6058</i>

Table 1.4 Social class, by sex

Base: All (except those who had no job in last 10 years)

	Men	Women
	%	%
I	7.5	3.3
II	29.2	27.2
IIINM	13.3	38.0
IIIM	30.5	8.4
IV	14.7	18.3
V	4.8	4.7
<i>Bases (weighted)</i>	5092	4665
<i>Bases (unweighted)</i>	4265	5498

Table 1.5 Religion, by sex

Base: All

	Men	Women
	%	%
None	60.0	50.1
Church of England	16.1	22.2
Roman Catholic	8.3	10.0
Other Christian	11.2	13.1
Muslim	2.1	2.3
Hindu	0.9	0.9
Other non-Christian	1.4	1.4
<i>Bases (weighted)</i>	5659	5468
<i>Bases (unweighted)</i>	4743	6378

Table 1.6 Region, by sex

Base: All

	Men	Women
	%	%
North East	4.4	4.5
North West and Merseyside	11.7	11.7
Yorkshire and Humber	8.8	8.6
East Midlands	7.1	7.1
West Midlands	9.1	9.0
South West	7.9	7.8
Eastern	9.1	9.2
London	14.4	14.4
South East	14.0	13.9
Wales	4.6	4.7
Scotland	8.9	9.1
<i>Bases (weighted)</i>	5679	5482
<i>Bases (unweighted)</i>	4762	6399

Table 1.7 Smoking status, by sex

Base: All

	Men	Women
	%	%
Never smoked	47.0	46.4
Ex-smoker	15.2	16.3
Smokes <15 per day	19.0	21.2
Smokes 15+ per day	18.9	16.0
<i>Bases (weighted)</i>	<i>5667</i>	<i>5483</i>
<i>Bases (unweighted)</i>	<i>4752</i>	<i>6399</i>

Table 1.8 Usual weekly alcohol consumption, by sex

Base: All

	Men	Women
	%	%
None, never drinks alcohol	11.3	20.0
20 (men)/15 (women) or less units	74.5	75.3
21-49 (men)/16-34 (women) units	11.7	3.4
50+ (men)/35+ (women) units	2.6	1.3
<i>Bases (weighted)</i>	<i>5671</i>	<i>5479</i>
<i>Bases (unweighted)</i>	<i>4754</i>	<i>6395</i>

Table 2.1 Age at first heterosexual intercourse, by age**

Base: All

	Age					Natsal II total	Natsal I total*
	16-17	18-19	20-24	25-34	35-44		
Men							
25 th centile	15	15	15	15	16	15	16
50 th centile	16	16	17	17	17	17	17
75 th centile	18	18	18	18	19	18	19
% under 16	31.0	28.6	25.8	29.4	25.2	27.4	21.7
Women							
25 th centile	15	15	15	16	16	16	16
50 th centile	17	16	16	17	17	17	18
75 th centile	18	18	18	18	19	18	19
% under 16	25.6	25.6	28.5	20.3	15.5	20.4	10.3
<i>Bases (weighted)</i>							
Men	372	311	820	2127	2030	5661	6867
Women	345	312	783	2036	1977	5453	6729
<i>Bases (unweighted)</i>							
Men	302	276	646	1789	1730	4743	5926
Women	315	298	824	2517	2410	6364	7673

*Based on Natsal I respondents aged 16-44, weighted to be comparable with Natsal II.

**Figures were calculated using life table analysis in STATA.

Table 2.2 Age at first heterosexual intercourse, by marital status*

Base: All

	Men			Women				
	Marital status			Marital status				
	Married	Cohabiting: opposite sex partner	Divorced, separated, widowed	Single	Married	Cohabiting: opposite sex partner	Divorced, separated, widowed	Single
25 th centile	16	15	15	15	16	15	16	16
50 th centile	17	16	17	17	17	16	16	17
75 th centile	18	18	18	19	19	18	18	19
% under 16	25.8	33.7	28.1	26.6	15.7	28.4	24.7	21.1
<i>Bases (weighted)</i>								
	2253	889	249	2213	2405	974	419	1629
<i>Bases (unweighted)</i>								
	1558	622	324	2188	2485	983	714	2147

*Due to small base, respondents with a same-sex cohabiting partner are excluded from the table.

Figures were calculated using life table analysis in STATA.

Table 2.3 Age at first heterosexual intercourse, by education level*

Base: Aged 18 or over

	Men			Women		
	Education level			Education level		
	A level or above	GCSE/ O level/ CSE	Other/ none	A level or above	GCSE/ O level/ CSE	Other/ none
25 th centile	16	15	15	16	16	15
50 th centile	17	16	16	18	17	16
75 th centile	19	18	18	19	18	18
% under 16	14.8	32.2	40.3	13.4	22.5	26.7
<i>Bases (weighted)</i>	1999	2325	947	1811	2387	890
<i>Bases (unweighted)</i>	1754	1863	808	2188	2719	1118

*Figures were calculated using life table analysis in STATA.

Table 2.4 Age at first heterosexual intercourse, by social class*

Base: All (except those who had no job in last 10 years)

	Social class					
	I	II	IIINM	IIIM	IV	V
Men						
25 th centile	17	16	16	15	15	15
50 th centile	18	17	17	16	16	16
75 th centile	20	19	18	18	18	18
% under 16	7.7	20.6	22.1	36.6	35.8	37.8
Women						
25 th centile	17	16	16	15	16	16
50 th centile	18	17	17	16	16	17
75 th centile	20	19	18	18	18	18
% under 16	9.1	15.3	19.6	28.0	25.2	23.8
<i>Bases (weighted)</i>						
<i>Men</i>	380	1485	673	1552	741	247
<i>Women</i>	156	1264	1765	391	851	216
<i>Bases (unweighted)</i>						
<i>Men</i>	322	1286	583	1227	620	212
<i>Women</i>	204	1564	2029	451	973	251

*Figures were calculated using life table analysis in STATA.

Table 2.5 Age at first heterosexual intercourse, by religion*

Base: All

Religion							
	None	Church of England	Roman Catholic	Other Christian	Muslim	Hindu	Other non Christian
Men							
25 th centile	15	16	16	16	16	[16]	16
50 th centile	16	17	17	17	18	[20]	18
75 th centile	18	18	18	20	23	[27]	20
% under 16	30.7	22.9	23.7	22.7	17.9	[9.9]	18.2
Women							
25 th centile	16	16	16	16	17	19	16
50 th centile	17	17	18	17	19	22	18
75 th centile	18	18	19	19	23	24	20
% under 16	24.8	19.5	13.1	15.2	2.6	3.5	16.5
<i>Bases (weighted)</i>							
Men	3389	910	468	632	120	46	77
Women	2729	1208	545	710	123	50	73
<i>Bases (unweighted)</i>							
Men	2804	717	429	551	114	42	68
Women	3142	1390	673	844	145	50	101

*Figures were calculated using life table analysis in STATA.

Table 2.6 Age at first heterosexual intercourse, by region*

Base: All

Region											
	North East	North West and Mersey-side	York-shire and Humber	East Midlands	West Midlands	South West	Eastern	London	South East	Wales	Scotland
Men											
25 th centile	15	15	15	15	16	16	15	16	15	15	15
50 th centile	16	16	16	17	17	17	17	17	17	16	17
75 th centile	18	18	18	18	18	18	18	19	19	18	18
% under 16	29.0	30.1	30.9	32.0	24.2	25.0	26.7	22.9	27.1	31.8	27.7
Women											
25 th centile	16	16	16	16	16	16	16	16	16	16	16
50 th centile	17	17	16	17	17	17	17	17	17	17	17
75 th centile	18	18	18	18	18	18	18	19	18	18	18
% under 16	22.8	22.1	23.5	21.5	17.8	20.0	22.5	17.6	23.4	16.9	15.4
<i>Bases (weighted)</i>											
Men	247	663	497	402	515	447	516	813	795	259	507
Women	248	637	470	386	490	420	502	781	761	258	499
<i>Bases (unweighted)</i>											
Men	235	470	375	319	348	354	340	1163	572	199	368
Women	300	708	501	420	445	428	540	1522	743	271	486

*Figures were calculated using life table analysis in STATA.

Table 2.7 Age at first heterosexual intercourse, by smoking status*

Base: All

	Men				Women			
	Smoking status				Smoking status			
	Never smoked	Ex-smoker	Smokes < 15 per day	Smokes 15+ per day	Never smoked	Ex-smoker	Smokes < 15 per day	Smokes > 15 per day
25 th centile	16	15	15	15	16	16	15	15
50 th centile	17	17	16	16	18	16	16	16
75 th centile	20	18	17	17	20	18	18	17
% under 16	16.2	29.7	37.9	42.8	9.2	23.9	32.9	32.7
<i>Bases (weighted)</i>	2648	859	1074	1069	2530	890	1159	874
<i>Bases (unweighted)</i>	2202	706	959	867	2913	1022	1376	1053

*Figures were calculated using life table analysis in STATA.

Table 2.8 Age at first heterosexual intercourse, by usual weekly alcohol consumption*

Base: All

	Men				Women			
	Usual weekly alcohol consumption				Usual weekly alcohol consumption			
	None, never drinks alcohol	20 or less units	21 to 49 units	50+ units	None, never drinks alcohol	15 or less units	16 to 34 units	35+ units
25 th centile	15	15	15	14	16	16	16	16
50 th centile	17	16	16	16	17	17	17	16
75 th centile	20	18	18	17	19	18	18	17
% under 16	27.3	26.3	30.6	45.6	16.8	20.9	28.8	23.0
<i>Bases (weighted)</i>	634	4209	663	146	1083	4113	182	72
<i>Bases (unweighted)</i>	547	3505	547	137	1293	4765	221	81

*Figures were calculated using life table analysis in STATA.

Table 3.1 **Number of opposite sex partners ever, by age**

Base: All

	Age						Natsal II total	Natsal I total*
	16-17	18-19	20-24	25-34	35-44			
Men	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	
0	49.8	17.3	6.8	3.5	1.8	7.2	8.1	
1	13.2	20.6	13.5	8.4	10.7	11.0	17.2	
2	7.6	9.7	7.9	7.2	7.2	7.5	9.9	
3-4	10.9	17.8	18.7	14.3	13.4	14.6	18.3	
5-9	14.6	19.9	24.3	25.2	28.3	25.2	20.7	
10+	3.8	14.7	28.8	41.4	38.7	34.6	25.8	
99 th centile	23	65	70	100	127	100	60	
Median	1	3	5	7	7	6	4	
Mean	2.2	5.7	9.5	13.5	16.0	12.7	8.64	
Variance	15.9	127.9	241.6	534.4	2744.3	1238.9	1093.2	
Women								
0	48.3	14.4	5.6	0.9	0.9	5.3	7	
1	20.7	21.5	15.6	16.2	20.8	18.3	32.8	
2	7.2	13.6	11.7	10.7	10.9	10.9	17.1	
3-4	11.6	16.2	19.8	19.7	21.5	19.6	20.2	
5-9	9.1	20.5	27.4	29.8	26.6	26.5	15.1	
10+	3.2	13.8	19.9	22.7	19.4	19.3	7.8	
99 th centile	16	30	33	42	41	40	25	
Median	1	3	4	5	4	4	2	
Mean	1.8	4.9	6.4	7.3	6.8	6.5	3.7	
Variance	11.6	41.1	78.5	94.4	115.8	93.2	175.3	
<i>Bases (weighted)</i>								
Men	370	308	814	2092	1989	5573	6725	
Women	343	314	781	2017	1935	5390	6588	
<i>Bases (unweighted)</i>								
Men	300	274	637	1759	1691	4661	5800	
Women	313	300	820	2486	2356	6275	7513	

*Based on Natsal I respondents aged 16-44, weighted to be comparable with Natsal II.

Table 3.2 Number of opposite sex partners ever, by marital status*

Base: All

	Men			Women				
	Marital status			Marital status				
	Married	Cohabiting: opposite sex partner	Divorced, separated, widowed	Single	Married	Cohabiting: opposite sex partner	Divorced, separated, widowed	Single
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
0	-	-	0.4	17.1	-	-	-	17.4
1	15.0	4.9	2.4	10.1	27.4	9.5	7.0	13.3
2	8.5	6.5	5.7	7.2	13.3	8.6	7.6	9.5
3-4	15.4	12.5	9.9	15.2	21.4	20.3	19.1	16.6
5-9	28.3	29.2	26.0	20.8	24.5	33.4	34.4	23.4
10+	32.9	47.0	55.6	29.6	13.4	28.2	31.9	19.8
99 th centile	75	291	200	100	30	50	83	40
Median	6	9	11	5	3	6	6	4
Mean	10.5	21.6	24.6	10.2	5.1	8.7	10.0	6.4
Variance	201.0	5354.7	2901.0	435.7	46.8	129.7	184.9	104.3
<i>Bases (weighted)</i>	<i>2211</i>	<i>874</i>	<i>240</i>	<i>2194</i>	<i>2369</i>	<i>964</i>	<i>407</i>	<i>1624</i>
<i>Bases (unweighted)</i>	<i>1527</i>	<i>611</i>	<i>315</i>	<i>2160</i>	<i>2444</i>	<i>972</i>	<i>693</i>	<i>2135</i>

*Due to small base, respondents with a same-sex cohabiting partner are excluded from the table.

Table 3.3 Number of opposite sex partners ever, by education level

Base: Aged 18 or over

	Men			Women		
	Education level			Education level		
	A level or above	GCSE/ O level/ CSE	Other/ none	A level or above	GCSE/ O level/ CSE	Other/ none
	%	%	%	%	%	%
0	6.1	2.9	3.1	2.7	2.4	1.8
1	13.7	8.9	9.2	18.6	18.2	17.2
2	8.7	6.7	6.5	11.5	11.0	10.9
3-4	14.9	15.1	14.1	16.8	21.1	24.9
5-9	23.5	27.8	26.8	27.0	27.6	28.8
10+	33.1	38.5	40.3	23.4	19.7	16.3
99 th centile	68	100	244	45	38	49
Median	5	7	7	5	4	4
Mean	10.1	14.0	17.8	7.3	6.6	6.4
Variance	381.9	1226.1	2446.1	100.9	91.8	104.3
<i>Bases (weighted)</i>	<i>1994</i>	<i>2296</i>	<i>901</i>	<i>1804</i>	<i>2366</i>	<i>864</i>
<i>Bases (unweighted)</i>	<i>1749</i>	<i>1837</i>	<i>763</i>	<i>2178</i>	<i>2691</i>	<i>1078</i>

Table 3.4 Number of opposite sex partners ever, by social class

Base: All (except those who had no job in last 10 years)

		Social class					
		I	II	IIINM	IIIM	IV	V
Men		%	%	%	%	%	%
	0	4.6	3.7	7.2	1.7	5.7	7.7
	1	16.8	9.7	9.8	9.9	11.0	7.9
	2	7.8	9.2	10.0	5.5	6.7	5.8
	3-4	18.0	13.3	16.6	15.6	16.0	11.1
	5-9	25.6	25.9	22.2	27.2	26.9	32.1
	10+	27.3	38.3	34.2	40.1	33.7	35.3
	99 th centile	86	100	100	121	80	119
	Median	5	7	5	7	6	6
	Mean	11.4	12.4	12.8	15.8	11.4	12.7
	Variance	2924.4	521.8	1365.3	2194.7	353.0	482.5
Women							
	0	1.9	0.7	2.9	0.9	3.5	2.3
	1	22.5	16.0	19.2	15.3	16.3	21.5
	2	8.2	9.9	11.6	9.5	10.8	15.6
	3-4	20.1	18.5	19.9	21.2	21.5	25.1
	5-9	25.3	29.8	27.2	29.3	28.6	22.6
	10+	22.1	24.9	19.2	23.7	19.3	12.9
	99 th centile	38	40	40	50	46	38
	Median	4	5	4	5	4	3
	Mean	6.5	7.7	6.4	7.2	6.7	5.1
	Variance	49.3	93.2	82.7	71.7	95.4	37.6
<i>Bases (weighted)</i>							
	<i>Men</i>	381	1470	672	1514	729	238
	<i>Women</i>	154	1250	1751	389	845	209
<i>Bases (unweighted)</i>							
	<i>Men</i>	322	1271	583	1194	609	202
	<i>Women</i>	202	1552	2007	446	961	242

Table 3.5 Number of opposite sex partners ever, by religion

Base: All

	Religion						
	None	Church of England	Roman Catholic	Other Christian	Muslim	Hindu	Other non Christian
Men	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
0	6.2	3.5	5.7	13.8	18.8	[30.7]	17.3
1	8.8	12.0	12.7	16.0	21.8	[33.7]	11.1
2	7.6	7.4	5.4	7.1	13.9	[5.6]	9.7
3-4	14.4	17.8	14.2	12.0	8.9	[10.4]	18.3
5-9	26.4	29.1	21.2	21.2	11.6	[13.1]	13.6
10+	36.6	30.2	40.7	29.9	25.0	[6.6]	30.0
99 th centile	100	120	200	100	122	[-]	-
Median	6	6	6	5	2	[1]	4
Mean	12.6	12.3	16.0	11.0	7.6	[3.6]	10.5
Variance	802.9	928.4	3652.0	987.9	205.6	[166.5]	320.7
Women							
0	4.7	3.2	4.8	7.5	27.8	[8.6]	7.6
1	14.8	16.7	20.6	23.4	52.3	[61.0]	27.2
2	9.9	13.2	10.4	12.2	8.6	[12.0]	3.4
3-4	19.7	22.3	20.1	19.1	3.1	[7.7]	12.8
5-9	28.6	26.4	25.6	23.7	6.0	[1.7]	25.3
10+	22.2	18.2	18.6	14.1	2.2	[9.1]	23.7
99 th centile	50	30	40	33	24	[-]	-
Median	5	4	4	3	1	[1]	4
Mean	7.2	6.0	6.2	5.4	1.6	[2.5]	10.4
Variance	102.7	66.4	58.9	103.4	9.7	[16.6]	432.1
<i>Bases (weighted)</i>							
<i>Men</i>	3344	900	456	622	114	47	77
<i>Women</i>	2700	1198	537	705	117	49	74
<i>Bases (unweighted)</i>							
<i>Men</i>	2764	709	417	540	108	42	68
<i>Women</i>	3105	1377	660	835	136	49	101

Table 3.6 Number of opposite sex partners ever, by region

Base: All

Region											
	North East	North West and Merseyside	Yorkshire and Humber	East Midlands	West Midlands	South West	Eastern	London	South East	Wales	Scotland
Men	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
0	8.3	7.2	6.3	7.1	6.8	5.6	7.6	8.5	7.6	7.9	6.1
1	10.8	11.7	9.7	9.6	10.4	13.3	10.5	10.8	10.0	12.2	12.7
2	8.3	7.0	8.4	8.3	7.7	6.4	9.0	6.7	8.2	3.8	7.3
3-4	12.0	14.6	14.9	17.6	18.6	17.5	12.6	11.1	16.1	13.2	12.3
5-9	26.8	26.0	24.9	22.8	27.4	22.9	24.4	25.5	25.5	21.8	26.7
10+	33.8	33.5	35.9	34.6	29.0	34.3	36.0	37.4	32.7	41.1	35.0
99 th centile	117	100	100	124	95	141	90	132	100	209	88
Median	6	6	6	6	5	5	6	6	6	6	6
Mean	11.0	11.9	12.1	12.6	12.8	12.3	11.5	15.5	12.5	14.5	11.0
Variance	405.4	616.2	390.4	677.2	3115.3	527.6	291.4	3375.8	1039.9	754.8	529.6
Women											
0	6.2	5.9	4.9	6.0	4.5	4.3	3.8	7.2	5.9	6.0	3.4
1	22.9	19.4	17.5	19.5	18.4	15.6	20.2	16.4	16.5	20.4	19.9
2	9.8	10.0	10.8	10.9	10.7	11.9	10.2	11.8	9.4	7.9	14.9
3-4	25.3	20.5	18.3	23.5	20.2	19.7	21.5	17.5	16.4	20.9	19.3
5-9	22.0	25.6	31.3	23.1	27.7	26.7	25.2	24.5	28.7	27.7	26.5
10+	13.8	18.7	17.3	16.9	18.5	21.7	19.0	22.6	23.2	17.0	15.9
99 th centile	33	57	31	40	38	33	36	45	38	30	50
Median	3	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	5	4	4
Mean	5.0	6.8	6.0	5.8	6.4	6.8	6.3	7.3	7.0	6.0	6.1
Variance	34.1	111.1	70.6	51.2	64.9	66.6	95.9	154.1	92.1	63.4	119.8
<i>Bases (weighted)</i>											
Men	229	652	482	400	511	445	511	799	788	254	502
Women	235	631	456	383	489	419	495	771	760	252	498
<i>Bases (unweighted)</i>											
Men	218	463	363	316	345	352	336	1143	567	194	364
Women	286	699	484	416	444	426	532	1495	741	267	485

Table 3.7 **Number of opposite sex partners ever, by smoking status**

Base: All

	Men				Women			
	Smoking status				Smoking status			
	Never smoked	Ex-smoker	Smokes < 15 per day	Smokes 15+ per day	Never smoked	Ex-smoker	Smokes < 15 per day	Smokes > 15 per day
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
0	12.6	2.5	3.0	1.6	9.3	2.1	3.0	0.3
1	15.7	7.6	8.3	4.4	27.0	10.8	10.8	11.0
2	9.3	6.1	6.1	5.4	13.9	7.5	8.5	8.7
3-4	15.3	14.8	15.5	11.8	18.8	22.8	18.8	19.8
5-9	23.3	27.0	24.3	29.4	20.2	32.5	31.4	31.7
10+	23.7	42.0	42.7	47.4	10.8	24.2	27.5	28.4
99 th centile	69	149	120	130	30	50	48	50
Median	4	7	7	9	2	5	5	6
Mean	8.5	16.1	15.9	17.1	4.3	7.9	8.4	8.9
Variance	298.0	2360.0	2000.5	1877.7	36.4	133.8	122.7	151.7
<i>Bases (weighted)</i>	<i>2631</i>	<i>838</i>	<i>1047</i>	<i>1046</i>	<i>2501</i>	<i>881</i>	<i>1154</i>	<i>854</i>
<i>Bases (unweighted)</i>	<i>2186</i>	<i>689</i>	<i>930</i>	<i>847</i>	<i>2872</i>	<i>1010</i>	<i>1365</i>	<i>1028</i>

Table 3.8 **Number of opposite sex partners ever, by usual weekly alcohol consumption**

Base: All

	Men				Women			
	Usual weekly alcohol consumption				Usual weekly alcohol consumption			
	None, never drinks alcohol	20 or less units	21 to 49 units	50+ units	None, never drinks alcohol	15 or less units	16 to 34 units	35+ units
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
0	20.5	6.3	1.9	2.6	11.9	3.9	0.5	0.7
1	14.9	11.7	5.1	1.1	26.5	17.0	3.8	7.4
2	7.6	7.9	6.3	1.3	11.4	10.9	8.2	9.5
3-4	14.4	15.1	13.6	4.9	19.8	19.9	16.8	13.1
5-9	21.2	25.5	25.8	27.8	20.3	27.7	34.3	27.3
10+	21.4	33.5	47.4	62.3	10.0	20.6	36.4	42.0
99 th centile	128	100	100	987	30	40	75	-
Median	3	6	8	14	3	4	7	8
Mean	8.9	12.1	14.6	34.6	4.5	6.7	10.6	12.9
Variance	640.6	1117.5	390.1	10634.6	79.5	89.8	152.1	207.0
<i>Bases (weighted)</i>	<i>612</i>	<i>4158</i>	<i>653</i>	<i>145</i>	<i>1064</i>	<i>4068</i>	<i>184</i>	<i>71</i>
<i>Bases (unweighted)</i>	<i>530</i>	<i>3453</i>	<i>537</i>	<i>135</i>	<i>1260</i>	<i>4708</i>	<i>224</i>	<i>79</i>

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Table 3.9 Number of opposite sex partners in the last five years, by age

Base: All

	Age						Natsal II total	Natsal I total*
	16-17	18-19	20-24	25-34	35-44			
Men	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	
0	50.0	18.2	8.0	5.2	4.4	9.0	9.5	
1	14.2	20.5	17.3	39.4	64.7	42.4	48.7	
2	8.7	9.9	11.6	14.0	11.2	12.1	11.2	
3-4	11.1	17.7	21.6	17.2	10.6	15.1	14.5	
5-9	13.3	21.3	21.6	14.6	6.2	12.9	9.9	
10+	2.9	12.4	19.9	9.6	2.9	8.4	6.2	
99 th centile	23	56	47	30	20	30	30	
Median	1	3	4	2	1	1	1	
Mean	2.0	5.2	6.9	4.2	2.2	3.8	3.9	
Variance	13.6	107.8	155.6	74.1	14.4	65.3	8667.4	
Women								
0	48.7	15.3	6.0	2.2	3.8	7.0	8.2	
1	22.0	21.4	26.6	59.0	75.2	55.6	62.0	
2	6.6	15.8	16.3	15.2	11.9	13.7	13.3	
3-4	10.7	18.9	21.3	13.3	6.2	12.1	10.4	
5-9	9.1	17.3	18.6	7.8	2.3	8.0	4.9	
10+	2.9	11.4	11.1	2.5	0.6	3.6	1.1	
99 th centile	16	30	29	15	7	20	10	
Median	1	2	3	1	1	1	1	
Mean	1.7	4.3	4.5	2.2	1.5	2.4	1.7	
Variance	11.0	33.7	60.5	9.3	15.1	21.5	6.8	
<i>Bases (weighted)</i>								
Men	369	304	807	2082	1960	5522	6746	
Women	340	309	774	2008	1914	5346	6594	
<i>Bases (unweighted)</i>								
Men	299	269	632	1751	1669	4620	5822	
Women	311	296	815	2474	2332	6228	7523	

*Based on Natsal I respondents aged 16-44, weighted to be comparable with Natsal II.

Table 3.10 Number of opposite sex partners in the last five years, by marital status*

Base: All

	Men				Women			
	Marital status				Marital status			
	Married	Cohabiting: opposite sex partner	Divorced, separated, widowed	Single	Married	Cohabiting: opposite sex partner	Divorced, separated, widowed	Single
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
0	0.2	0.2	1.9	20.6	0.5	-	6.1	20.1
1	76.2	37.0	16.7	14.2	87.1	46.2	32.2	21.6
2	9.0	19.3	20.4	11.7	6.8	20.6	27.8	16.1
3-4	8.5	18.1	23.4	20.0	4.1	18.2	19.7	18.3
5-9	4.3	16.0	22.8	19.3	1.1	9.8	10.6	16.5
10+	1.9	9.4	14.7	14.1	0.4	5.4	3.4	7.3
99 th centile	15	50	32	40	6	25	25	25
Median	1	2	3	3	1	2	2	2
Mean	1.8	4.8	5.3	5.3	1.3	3.0	2.8	3.4
Variance	6.3	99.8	35.4	108.6	10.8	36.2	15.4	24.4
<i>Bases (weighted)</i>	<i>2187</i>	<i>860</i>	<i>238</i>	<i>2183</i>	<i>2348</i>	<i>960</i>	<i>404</i>	<i>1609</i>
<i>Bases (unweighted)</i>	<i>1507</i>	<i>603</i>	<i>313</i>	<i>2149</i>	<i>2422</i>	<i>969</i>	<i>690</i>	<i>2117</i>

*Due to small base, respondents with a same-sex cohabiting partner are excluded from the table.

Table 3.11 Number of opposite sex partners in the last five years, by education level

Base: Aged 18 or over

	Men			Women		
	Education level			Education level		
	A level or above	GCSE/ O level/ CSE	Other/ none	A level or above	GCSE/ O level/ CSE	Other/ none
	%	%	%	%	%	%
0	8.2	4.7	5.0	4.4	4.1	3.8
1	42.0	43.8	52.0	52.9	60.8	60.8
2	12.1	12.8	11.4	14.3	13.0	17.1
3-4	15.5	16.0	14.1	13.2	12.0	10.7
5-9	13.4	13.9	8.7	11.0	6.6	4.9
10+	8.9	8.9	8.7	4.3	3.5	2.7
99 th centile	30	36	40	21	20	20
Median	1	2	1	1	1	1
Mean	3.8	4.0	3.7	2.7	2.3	2.1
Variance	67.2	71.2	64.2	25.0	22.5	15.0
<i>Bases (weighted)</i>	<i>1976</i>	<i>2287</i>	<i>877</i>	<i>1795</i>	<i>2347</i>	<i>850</i>
<i>Bases (unweighted)</i>	<i>1732</i>	<i>1829</i>	<i>748</i>	<i>2167</i>	<i>2671</i>	<i>1063</i>

Table 3.12 Number of opposite sex partners in the last five years, by social class

Base: All (except those who had no job in last 10 years)

Social class						
	I	II	IIINM	IIIM	IV	V
Men	%	%	%	%	%	%
0	6.3	5.5	10.1	2.9	8.4	8.6
1	50.3	50.0	34.1	46.9	37.0	38.0
2	11.6	13.3	13.9	11.8	11.2	10.6
3-4	16.3	13.7	14.5	16.6	18.2	15.6
5-9	9.5	11.1	15.0	13.9	13.6	16.6
10+	6.1	6.3	12.5	7.9	11.7	10.6
99 th centile	34	30	36	34	43	30
Median	1	1	2	2	2	2
Mean	3.2	3.2	4.4	3.9	4.9	3.9
Variance	34.1	36.0	55.1	66.9	162.6	27.9
Women						
0	3.9	2.6	4.5	3.1	5.1	3.8
1	56.7	60.5	57.8	52.3	53.6	67.5
2	15.8	14.6	13.1	15.9	13.6	15.3
3-4	14.5	11.9	11.4	15.7	14.8	7.1
5-9	7.7	7.4	8.8	7.8	8.8	5.2
10+	1.5	2.9	4.3	5.1	4.2	1.1
99 th centile	22	16	20	23	24	12
Median	1	1	1	1	1	1
Mean	2.1	2.3	2.5	2.7	2.6	1.7
Variance	10.2	25.6	12.3	16.7	15.0	3.7
<i>Bases (weighted)</i>						
<i>Men</i>	378	1460	666	1496	720	237
<i>Women</i>	155	1248	1738	384	830	207
<i>Bases (unweighted)</i>						
<i>Men</i>	320	1263	578	1182	601	201
<i>Women</i>	203	1548	1993	441	946	240

Table 3.13 Number of opposite sex partners in the last five years, by religion

Base: All

		Religion						
		None	Church of England	Roman Catholic	Other Christian	Muslim	Hindu	Other non Christian
Men		%	%	%	%	%	%	%
	0	8.2	4.5	6.9	15.9	23.7	[32.1]	18.5
	1	39.8	55.1	43.0	39.3	43.7	[45.7]	28.4
	2	12.1	12.9	11.1	12.8	11.7	[1.8]	10.6
	3-4	16.8	12.3	14.8	12.0	10.4	[7.9]	17.1
	5-9	14.3	9.7	12.8	11.3	2.7	[10.9]	13.9
	10+	8.8	5.4	11.4	8.7	7.8	[1.6]	11.6
	99 th centile	31	32	30	24	114	[-]	-
	Median	2	1	2.0	1	1	[1]	2
	Mean	4.0	3.2	4.2	3.2	3.1	[2.5]	4.7
	Variance	55.8	102.4	96.5	24.8	92.0	[154.6]	71.1
Women								
	0	6.2	5.1	6.2	9.4	30.4	[8.6]	10.5
	1	49.8	65.4	57.8	58.4	60.6	[69.3]	52.0
	2	14.9	12.8	12.8	12.8	2.9	[16.8]	9.8
	3-4	14.2	9.7	12.3	10.4	2.6	[5.3]	9.7
	5-9	9.8	5.4	6.8	7.2	2.7	[-]	13.0
	10+	5.0	1.6	4.0	1.8	0.8	[-]	5.0
	99 th centile	22.0	10.9	20.0	13.5	22.8	[-]	-
	Median	1	1	1	1	1	[1]	1
	Mean	2.8	1.8	2.3	2.0	1.1	[1.2]	2.7
	Variance	27.4	5.9	11.4	36.3	4.8	[0.5]	14.3
<i>Bases (weighted)</i>								
	<i>Men</i>	3315	893	452	618	108	47	76
	<i>Women</i>	2675	1194	529	701	114	49	74
<i>Bases (unweighted)</i>								
	<i>Men</i>	2741	704	414	536	104	42	66
	<i>Women</i>	3078	1372	653	829	134	49	100

Table 3.14 Number of opposite sex partners in the last five years, by region

Base: All

	Region										
	North East	North West and Merseyside	Yorkshire and Humber	East Midlands	West Midlands	South West	Eastern	London	South East	Wales	Scotland
Men	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
0	11.1	9.3	8.1	10.4	8.6	6.8	9.5	10.5	9.2	8.6	7.0
1	35.0	40.7	46.5	40.1	43.4	47.7	43.3	35.0	44.3	44.5	47.4
2	13.9	12.4	12.1	11.7	15.9	8.9	13.5	11.7	11.3	11.5	10.6
3-4	19.3	16.4	15.8	16.2	13.4	16.8	11.4	15.7	15.0	13.5	14.4
5-9	14.4	14.3	7.7	11.4	12.5	10.9	14.7	15.8	13.0	11.4	13.1
10+	6.3	6.9	9.8	10.3	6.2	8.9	7.7	11.4	7.1	10.5	7.5
99 th centile	50	34	40	41	20	36	36	35	30	50	26
Median	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	1	1	1
Mean	4.1	3.7	4.2	4.0	2.9	3.8	3.9	4.5	3.5	3.9	3.2
Variance	154.6	46.1	149.2	56.9	16.5	56.4	105.4	66.2	50.0	49.3	20.6
Women											
0	7.6	7.8	6.9	8.3	6.9	5.5	4.9	9.2	7.7	6.7	4.0
1	61.6	56.0	58.0	55.6	56.4	57.3	57.8	51.5	52.6	56.4	56.2
2	12.5	14.7	14.0	12.3	13.4	12.1	14.9	13.4	12.4	13.2	16.5
3-4	11.6	12.1	11.0	13.2	12.8	13.5	11.2	11.6	12.7	14.5	10.1
5-9	5.4	5.9	8.7	6.1	8.2	7.5	7.9	9.7	9.6	5.7	9.2
10+	1.2	3.5	1.5	4.5	2.4	4.1	3.2	4.5	5.0	3.5	4.0
99 th centile	12	15	16	24	15	17	16	25	25	20	15
Median	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Mean	1.8	2.2	2.1	2.5	2.2	2.4	2.3	2.7	2.8	2.3	2.3
Variance	4.6	16.0	8.3	19.5	10.2	10.8	11.5	48.9	44.2	10.3	8.1
<i>Bases (weighted)</i>											
<i>Men</i>	229	649	478	392	505	442	511	790	783	251	492
<i>Women</i>	232	629	453	381	489	417	490	763	751	246	494
<i>Bases (unweighted)</i>											
<i>Men</i>	218	461	360	310	341	350	336	1130	564	191	359
<i>Women</i>	283	696	480	416	445	423	527	1481	734	262	481

Table 3.15 Number of opposite sex partners in the last five years, by smoking status

Base: All

	Men				Women			
	Smoking status				Smoking status			
	Never smoked	Ex-smoker	Smokes < 15 per day	Smokes 15+ per day	Never smoked	Ex-smoker	Smokes < 15 per day	Smokes 15+ per day
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
0	14.3	4.7	4.5	3.7	11.0	3.8	4.6	2.1
1	43.8	49.4	32.7	43.4	59.6	63.5	42.7	53.0
2	12.3	11.4	11.6	12.6	12.9	11.8	14.1	17.4
3-4	13.2	13.0	19.2	17.4	9.6	11.2	16.7	14.1
5-9	10.8	13.7	17.2	12.9	5.5	7.0	14.0	8.4
10+	5.6	7.8	14.7	9.9	1.5	2.7	7.9	5.0
99 th centile	30	30	39	36	11	16	25	22
Median	1	1	3	2	1	1	2	1
Mean	2.9	3.7	5.4	4.3	1.7	2.3	3.5	2.8
Variance	32.3	56.7	112.7	103.8	6.0	37.9	43.2	17.5
<i>Bases (weighted)</i>	<i>2605</i>	<i>834</i>	<i>1039</i>	<i>1033</i>	<i>2486</i>	<i>873</i>	<i>1140</i>	<i>848</i>
<i>Bases (unweighted)</i>	<i>2163</i>	<i>687</i>	<i>924</i>	<i>838</i>	<i>2856</i>	<i>999</i>	<i>1353</i>	<i>1020</i>

Table 3.16 Number of opposite sex partners in the last five years, by usual weekly alcohol consumption

Base: All

	Men				Women			
	Usual weekly alcohol consumption				Usual weekly alcohol consumption			
	None, never drinks alcohol	20 or less units	21 to 49 units	50+ units	None, never drinks alcohol	15 or less units	16 to 34 units	35+ units
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
0	23.6	7.8	4.1	3.9	15.7	5.0	1.8	1.4
1	44.6	43.8	35.3	26.1	64.3	54.1	50.2	25.8
2	9.9	12.7	10.5	12.2	8.8	15.0	13.3	15.0
3-4	9.2	15.5	16.7	22.3	7.4	13.1	15.9	16.4
5-9	7.9	12.3	20.2	18.3	3.1	9.0	10.3	21.2
10+	4.9	7.9	13.3	17.1	0.7	3.9	8.4	20.3
99 th centile	30	30	50	139	9	20	28	-
Median	1	1	3	3	1	1	1	3
Mean	2.8	3.5	5.6	7.5	1.4	2.5	3.6	6.1
Variance	84.3	38.2	152.1	346.3	8.3	22.8	42.6	54.7
<i>Bases (weighted)</i>	<i>608</i>	<i>4117</i>	<i>650</i>	<i>141</i>	<i>1056</i>	<i>4033</i>	<i>184</i>	<i>70</i>
<i>Bases (unweighted)</i>	<i>526</i>	<i>3423</i>	<i>533</i>	<i>132</i>	<i>1250</i>	<i>4672</i>	<i>224</i>	<i>78</i>

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Table 3.17 Number of opposite sex partners in the last year, by age

Base: All

	Age						Natsal II total	Natsal I total*
	16-17	18-19	20-24	25-34	35-44			
Men	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	
0	51.9	22.3	11.2	8.9	8.1	12.5	13.7	
1	24.5	34.7	47.4	69.5	79.9	65.1	69.7	
2	9.9	17.9	17.4	9.1	6.6	10.0	9.5	
3-4	7.7	15.1	13.0	7.8	3.7	7.5	5.1	
5+	6.0	9.9	11.1	4.7	1.7	4.9	2.1	
99 th centile	13	23	18	9	6	10	6	
Median	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	
Mean	1.2	2.3	2.4	1.5	1.2	1.5	1.2	
Variance	4.4	15.3	16.0	4.2	0.9	5.6	6.0	
Women								
0	50.0	17.4	10.1	5.3	8.4	10.7	11.9	
1	33.7	50.8	65.9	83.0	84.3	76.0	79.6	
2	7.1	14.2	13.3	7.0	5.4	7.8	5.9	
3-4	5.6	9.8	7.2	3.2	1.2	3.6	2.1	
5+	3.6	7.8	3.5	1.4	0.6	1.9	0.5	
99 th centile	8	13	9	5	3	6	3	
Median	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	
Mean	0.9	1.7	1.5	1.2	1.0	1.2	1.0	
Variance	2.5	5.2	3.7	0.8	0.9	1.7	0.7	
<i>Bases (weighted)</i>								
Men	367	304	799	2075	1949	5494	6744	
Women	339	307	768	2004	1909	5327	6595	
<i>Bases (unweighted)</i>								
Men	297	270	625	1748	1658	4598	5821	
Women	310	295	811	2467	2325	6208	7525	

*Based on Natsal I respondents aged 16-44, weighted to be comparable with Natsal II.

Table 3.18 Number of opposite sex partners in the last year, by marital status*

Base: All

	Men				Women			
	Marital status			Single	Marital status			Single
	Married	Cohabiting: opposite sex partner	Divorced, separated, widowed		Married	Cohabiting: opposite sex partner	Divorced, separated, widowed	
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	
0	0.9	0.4	12.6	27.3	0.8	0.3	22.5	27.3
1	91.6	84.7	43.7	34.2	95.6	90.4	50.7	46.0
2	3.9	7.6	20.7	16.1	2.6	6.1	18.7	13.8
3-4	2.8	5.8	12.2	12.5	0.9	2.0	4.2	8.5
5+	0.9	1.6	10.8	9.9	0.1	1.3	3.9	4.4
99 th centile	4	7	9	16	3	5	10	9
Median	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Mean	1.1	1.3	2.0	2.0	1.1	1.2	1.3	1.3
Variance	0.6	1.4	4.1	12.1	0.5	1.5	2.8	3.2
<i>Bases (weighted)</i>	<i>2175</i>	<i>861</i>	<i>237</i>	<i>2167</i>	<i>2341</i>	<i>958</i>	<i>404</i>	<i>1599</i>
<i>Bases (unweighted)</i>	<i>1500</i>	<i>604</i>	<i>308</i>	<i>2138</i>	<i>2415</i>	<i>967</i>	<i>689</i>	<i>2106</i>

*Due to small base, respondents with a same-sex cohabiting partner are excluded from the table.

Table 3.19 Number of opposite sex partners in the last year, by education level

Base: Aged 18 or over

	Men			Women		
	Education level			Education level		
	A level or above	GCSE/ O level/ CSE	Other/ none	A level or above	GCSE/ O level/ CSE	Other/ none
	%	%	%	%	%	%
0	12.0	8.2	8.5	8.3	7.6	8.5
1	65.4	68.7	72.1	77.4	80.0	79.2
2	10.8	10.3	7.3	8.1	7.6	7.8
3-4	7.3	7.7	7.2	4.3	3.1	2.8
5+	4.5	5.2	5.0	1.9	1.8	1.7
99 th centile	10	10	15	5	6	6
Median	1	1	1	1	1	1
Mean	1.5	1.6	1.6	1.2	1.2	1.2
Variance	5.3	5.4	6.9	1.7	1.7	1.2
<i>Bases (weighted)</i>	<i>1971</i>	<i>2275</i>	<i>867</i>	<i>1788</i>	<i>2340</i>	<i>846</i>
<i>Bases (unweighted)</i>	<i>1729</i>	<i>1820</i>	<i>740</i>	<i>2160</i>	<i>2664</i>	<i>1058</i>

Table 3.20 Number of opposite sex partners in the last year, by social class

Base: All (except those who had no job in last 10 years)

	Social class					
	I	II	IIINM	IIIM	IV	V
Men	%	%	%	%	%	%
0	9.0	8.8	15.1	5.5	12.2	12.1
1	75.2	73.9	58.0	71.5	59.6	56.8
2	6.8	8.2	10.7	10.5	11.3	12.6
3-4	6.8	6.1	9.0	6.9	9.6	13.0
5+	2.2	3.0	7.2	5.5	7.2	5.5
99 th centile	12	8	10	10	15	10
Median	1	1	1	1	1	1
Mean	1.3	1.4	1.7	1.6	1.8	1.7
Variance	2.0	4.3	7.5	4.1	10.7	4.1
Women						
0	6.9	6.3	8.1	6.1	9.5	6.7
1	83.6	81.3	78.9	76.8	76.2	85.0
2	7.0	7.9	7.1	9.5	8.8	4.2
3-4	2.5	3.3	4.1	4.3	3.0	2.5
5+	-	1.1	1.8	3.4	2.4	1.6
99 th centile	4	5	6	12	7	7
Median	1	1	1	1	1	1
Mean	1.1	1.2	1.2	1.4	1.2	1.1
Variance	0.3	1.4	1.3	2.1	2.2	0.9
<i>Bases (weighted)</i>						
Men	378	1456	660	1489	714	235
Women	155	1242	1734	382	829	206
<i>Bases (unweighted)</i>						
Men	320	1261	571	1177	598	199
Women	203	1541	1989	440	944	238

Table 3.21 Number of opposite sex partners in the last year, by religion

Base: All

	Religion						
	None	Church of England	Roman Catholic	Other Christian	Muslim	Hindu	Other non Christian
Men	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
0	11.9	7.2	9.3	20.3	27.1	[35.8]	22.3
1	63.7	77.2	65.3	58.4	57.6	[53.5]	53.4
2	11.1	7.3	10.4	8.9	3.5	[7.0]	12.8
3-4	8.0	4.9	9.6	6.8	8.0	[2.0]	7.2
5+	5.3	3.5	5.4	5.6	3.8	[1.6]	4.3
99 th centile	10	9	10	8	36	[-]	-
Median	1	1	1	1	1	[1]	1
Mean	1.6	1.4	1.6	1.4	1.3	[1.1]	1.9
Variance	5.6	6.5	3.4	3.1	8.5	[8.4]	22.0
Women							
0	9.7	8.5	10.9	13.5	32.6	[15.3]	14.1
1	73.7	83.9	76.4	74.2	63.7	[75.6]	69.3
2	9.3	5.2	6.2	8.4	2.5	[9.1]	8.8
3-4	4.8	1.6	4.0	2.9	0.4	[-]	3.1
5+	2.5	0.8	2.4	1.0	0.8	[-]	4.6
99 th centile	7.0	4.0	8.4	5.0	13.3	[-]	-
Median	1	1	1	1	1	[1]	1
Mean	1.3	1.1	1.2	1.1	0.8	[0.9]	1.4
Variance	1.9	0.5	1.6	2.0	1.6	[0.2]	7.2
<i>Bases (weighted)</i>							
<i>Men</i>	3285	894	452	619	107	47	76
<i>Women</i>	2666	1192	525	695	115	49	74
<i>Bases (unweighted)</i>							
<i>Men</i>	2721	704	412	537	102	42	67
<i>Women</i>	3067	1369	651	825	134	49	100

Table 3.22 Number of opposite sex partners in the last year, by region

Base: All

	Region										
	North East	North West and Mersey-side	Yorkshire and Humber	East Midlands	West Midlands	South West	Eastern	London	South East	Wales	Scotland
Men	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
0	13.3	11.6	12.1	12.9	13.5	9.7	11.9	15.9	12.8	10.8	11.0
1	66.1	65.6	67.8	65.4	64.2	68.5	66.0	56.5	67.9	63.3	67.9
2	7.1	9.9	8.6	8.4	12.9	10.1	10.6	11.0	9.3	11.4	8.7
3-4	8.6	8.6	6.2	6.8	6.5	8.4	4.7	10.4	6.0	6.7	8.4
5+	4.8	4.3	5.3	6.5	2.9	3.2	6.8	6.2	3.9	7.8	4.0
99 th centile	8	12	15	13	9	7	10	14	7	21	9
Median	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Mean	1.4	1.6	1.7	1.7	1.3	1.4	1.5	1.7	1.4	1.9	1.4
Variance	2.1	6.2	11.1	10.5	2.0	1.8	3.3	8.4	3.3	9.9	3.2
Women											
0	10.8	11.1	10.7	11.5	11.3	8.2	6.9	13.4	10.7	11.5	9.8
1	78.9	77.5	78.6	74.2	73.1	76.0	81.3	70.9	75.6	76.2	78.0
2	6.7	7.3	7.5	8.8	9.8	9.4	6.0	8.8	6.5	5.7	7.9
3-4	2.5	2.7	1.8	2.9	3.8	5.1	3.1	4.3	4.5	4.9	3.3
5+	1.1	1.3	1.4	2.6	2.0	1.3	2.7	2.6	2.6	1.7	1.0
99 th centile	5	8	5	7	8	5	7	7	7	7	5
Median	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Mean	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.1
Variance	0.5	1.4	0.9	2.2	1.6	1.3	1.2	2.9	2.5	1.1	0.6
<i>Bases (weighted)</i>											
<i>Men</i>	226	645	479	389	500	440	507	787	780	252	487
<i>Women</i>	232	627	454	380	489	417	485	760	746	246	491
<i>Bases (unweighted)</i>											
<i>Men</i>	215	458	361	307	338	348	334	1127	561	193	356
<i>Women</i>	283	693	481	415	444	423	524	1475	730	262	478

Table 3.23 Number of opposite sex partners in the last year, by smoking status

Base: All

	Men				Women			
	Smoking status				Smoking status			
	Never smoked	Ex-smoker	Smokes < 15 per day	Smokes 15+ per day	Never smoked	Ex-smoker	Smokes < 15 per day	Smokes 15+ per day
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
0	17.4	7.8	8.7	8.0	14.3	7.6	8.5	5.9
1	64.6	73.2	59.3	65.4	75.6	81.9	72.0	76.7
2	8.2	9.3	13.1	11.8	6.5	6.8	9.8	9.8
3-4	5.7	6.1	11.3	9.3	2.7	2.8	5.5	4.6
5+	4.1	3.6	7.7	5.5	0.9	0.8	4.1	3.0
99 th centile	9	8	15	10	4	4	9	7
Median	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Mean	1.3	1.4	2.0	1.7	1.0	1.1	1.4	1.3
Variance	4.9	3.0	10.3	4.5	0.8	1.5	3.3	2.0
<i>Bases (weighted)</i>	<i>2604</i>	<i>831</i>	<i>1022</i>	<i>1026</i>	<i>2477</i>	<i>868</i>	<i>1135</i>	<i>846</i>
<i>Bases (unweighted)</i>	<i>2162</i>	<i>684</i>	<i>914</i>	<i>830</i>	<i>2845</i>	<i>996</i>	<i>1349</i>	<i>1018</i>

Table 3.24 Number of opposite sex partners in the last year, by usual weekly alcohol consumption

Base: All

	Men				Women			
	Usual weekly alcohol consumption				Usual weekly alcohol consumption			
	None, never drinks alcohol	20 or less units	21 to 49 units	50+ units	None, never drinks alcohol	15 or less units	16 to 34 units	35+ units
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
0	26.3	11.6	7.3	7.0	20.1	8.5	4.0	5.7
1	58.7	67.1	60.6	55.1	74.6	77.3	72.9	34.3
2	6.5	9.9	12.2	16.1	3.4	8.2	16.0	26.9
3-4	4.6	7.3	11.2	8.2	1.3	4.1	3.4	13.7
5+	3.8	4.2	8.7	13.6	0.6	1.9	3.8	19.5
99 th centile	9	10	15	18	4	5	14	-
Median	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2
Mean	1.2	1.5	2.1	2.3	0.9	1.2	1.6	3.2
Variance	3.4	4.4	14.2	8.2	0.6	1.5	5.0	14.0
<i>Bases (weighted)</i>	<i>597</i>	<i>4100</i>	<i>650</i>	<i>141</i>	<i>1053</i>	<i>4018</i>	<i>181</i>	<i>71</i>
<i>Bases (unweighted)</i>	<i>517</i>	<i>3410</i>	<i>534</i>	<i>131</i>	<i>1246</i>	<i>4657</i>	<i>221</i>	<i>80</i>

Table 3.25 Number of opposite sex partners in the last three months, by age

Base: All

	Age					
	16-17	18-19	20-24	25-34	35-44	Natsal II total
Men	%	%	%	%	%	%
0	61.1	33.1	23.7	14.6	13.7	19.7
1	27.8	47.1	58.2	76.2	81.3	70.5
2+	11.1	19.8	18.1	9.2	5.0	9.7
99 th centile	5	10	10	4	3	5
Median	0	1	1	1	1	1
Mean	0.6	1.2	1.2	1.0	0.9	1.0
Variance	1.3	4.2	2.3	0.9	0.3	1.1
Women						
0	56.4	25.2	16.5	10.5	13.5	16.2
1	37.6	63.5	74.9	85.5	83.4	78.8
2+	6.1	11.4	8.6	4.1	3.2	5.0
99 th centile	4	3	4	3	2	3
Median	0	1	1	1	1	1
Mean	0.5	0.9	1.0	1.0	0.9	0.9
Variance	0.5	1.0	0.6	0.2	0.3	0.4
<i>Bases (weighted)</i>						
Men	364	300	792	2067	1916	5439
Women	339	309	767	1991	1899	5304
<i>Bases (unweighted)</i>						
Men	295	269	621	1736	1633	4554
Women	309	296	812	2452	2310	6179

Table 3.26 Number of opposite sex partners in the last three months, by marital status

Base: All

	Men				Women			
	Marital status				Marital status			
	Married	Cohabiting: opposite sex partner	Divorced, separated, widowed	Single	Married	Cohabiting: opposite sex partner	Divorced, separated, widowed	Single
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
0	3.7	2.0	31.7	39.7	3.5	2.3	34.1	37.4
1	92.2	93.2	52.3	43.4	94.5	95.4	56.6	52.8
2+	4.1	4.8	16.0	16.8	2.0	2.3	9.3	9.8
99 th centile	2	4	5	8	2	2	4	4
Median	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Mean	1.0	1.1	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	0.8	0.8
Variance	0.2	0.3	1.0	2.4	0.2	0.1	0.6	0.8
<i>Bases (weighted)</i>								
	2154	844	233	2152	2324	954	401	1600
<i>Bases (unweighted)</i>								
	1484	592	304	2126	2393	961	684	2110

*Due to small base, respondents with a same-sex cohabiting partner are excluded from the table.

Table 4.1 Sexual attraction (same and opposite sex), by age

Base: All

	Age					Natsal II total	Natsal I total*
	16-17	18-19	20-24	25-34	35-44		
Men	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
Attracted only to the opposite sex	95.5	95.0	93.2	90.5	91.9	91.9	93.5
More often to the opposite sex but at least once to the same sex	0.6	4.3	4.8	6.1	5.6	5.3	4.2
About equally	0.6	-	0.6	0.4	0.6	0.5	0.4
More often to the same sex but at least once to the opposite sex	0.6	0.4	0.7	1.4	0.9	1.0	0.6
Only to the same sex	1.2	-	0.8	1.2	0.7	0.9	0.5
Never felt sexually attracted to anyone at all	1.5	0.3	-	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.8
Women							
Attracted only to the opposite sex	91.8	88.0	85.6	88.1	88.9	88.3	93.8
More often to the opposite sex but at least once to the same sex	5.2	8.5	12.5	10.2	9.1	9.7	4.5
About equally	1.3	1.9	0.5	0.7	0.7	0.8	0.2
More often to the same sex but at least once to the opposite sex	-	-	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.4	0.2
Only to the same sex	0.4	-	0.1	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.3
Never felt sexually attracted to anyone at all	1.3	1.7	0.9	0.3	0.5	0.6	1.0
<i>Bases (weighted)</i>							
Men	372	312	826	2130	2030	5670	6923
Women	345	314	786	2041	1985	5470	6767
<i>Bases (unweighted)</i>							
Men	301	278	650	1791	1730	4750	5975
Women	315	299	826	2522	2417	6379	7722

*Based on Natsal I respondents aged 16-44, weighted to be comparable with Natsal II.

Table 4.2 Homosexual experience summary table, by sex

Base: All

	Men	Women
	%	%
Ever sexual experience with a same sex partner	8.4	9.7
Ever same sex genital contact	6.3	5.7
Number of same sex partners ever:		
1	3.1	3.7
2	0.8	1.1
3+	2.2	0.8
Same sex partner in last five years	2.6	2.6
Same sex partner in last year	2.1	1.5
Same sex partner in last three months	1.8	0.7
<i>Bases (weighted)</i>	5676	5479
<i>Bases (unweighted)</i>	4756	6394

Bases vary: those shown are for 'ever sexual experience'

Table 4.3 Sexual experience with a partner of the same sex, by age

Base: All

	Age					Natsal II total	Natsal I total*
	16-17	18-19	20-24	25-34	35-44		
Men	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
Sexual experience with same sex partner, ever	1.2	5.6	6.3	9.4	9.9	8.4	5.3
Sexual intercourse/genital contact with same sex partner:							
ever	1.2	2.3	4.2	6.9	8.1	6.3	3.7
last five years	1.0	1.8	2.6	3.1	2.6	2.6	1.5
last year	0.9	0.4	1.8	2.7	2.0	2.1	1.1
last three months	0.5	-	1.6	2.6	1.7	1.8	n.a.
Women							
Sexual experience with same sex partner, ever	5.1	9.7	12.6	9.8	9.2	9.7	2.8
Sexual intercourse/genital contact with same sex partner:							
ever	2.5	4.6	6.5	5.8	6.1	5.7	1.9
last five years	1.8	3.7	4.4	2.8	1.8	2.6	0.8
last year	1.5	2.1	2.5	1.5	1.1	1.5	0.5
last three months	-	0.7	0.8	0.8	0.7	0.7	n.a.
<i>Bases (weighted)</i>							
<i>Men</i>	372	312	826	2132	2033	5676	6918
<i>Women</i>	345	314	787	2043	1990	5479	5970
<i>Bases (unweighted)</i>							
<i>Men</i>	301	278	650	1794	1733	4756	6767
<i>Women</i>	315	300	827	2525	2427	6394	7721

*Based on Natsal I respondents aged 16-44, weighted to be comparable with Natsal II.

n.a. = not asked

Bases vary: those shown are for 'sexual experience, ever'

Table 4.4 Sexual experience with a partner of the same sex, by marital status*

Base: All

	Men				Women			
	Marital status				Marital status			
	Married	Cohabiting: opposite sex partner	Divorced, separated, widowed	Single	Married	Cohabiting: opposite sex partner	Divorced, separated, widowed	Single
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
Sexual experience with same sex partner, ever	6.9	6.8	9.6	8.5	6.3	13.9	11.0	10.7
Sexual intercourse/genital contact with same sex partner:								
ever	4.8	4.5	8.2	6.5	3.5	9.3	7.4	5.3
last five years	0.5	0.8	1.8	3.7	0.7	4.2	2.6	3.4
last year	0.1	0.7	1.1	2.8	0.4	2.0	0.8	1.9
last three months	0.1	0.2	1.0	2.5	0.1	0.6	0.4	0.6
<i>Bases (weighted)</i>	2256	889	249	2222	2415	976	421	1638
<i>Bases (unweighted)</i>	1561	623	325	2195	2495	985	716	2160

*Due to small base, respondents with a same-sex cohabiting partner are excluded from the table.

Bases vary: those shown are for 'sexual experience, ever'

Table 4.5 Sexual experience with a partner of the same sex, by education level

Base: Aged 18 or over

	Men			Women		
	Education level			Education level		
	A level or above	GCSE/ O level/ CSE	Other/ none	A level or above	GCSE/ O level/ CSE	Other/ none
	%	%	%	%	%	%
Sexual experience with same sex partner, ever	13.2	6.5	5.5	14.5	8.1	6.1
Sexual intercourse/genital contact with same sex partner:						
ever	9.7	5.0	4.4	7.9	5.1	4.4
last five years	4.0	2.2	1.5	3.6	2.4	1.8
last year	3.4	1.4	1.3	2.4	1.1	1.0
last three months	3.1	1.1	1.2	1.1	0.6	0.5
<i>Bases (weighted)</i>	<i>2009</i>	<i>2330</i>	<i>947</i>	<i>1816</i>	<i>2401</i>	<i>897</i>
<i>Bases (unweighted)</i>	<i>1764</i>	<i>1866</i>	<i>809</i>	<i>2194</i>	<i>2733</i>	<i>1128</i>

Bases vary: those shown are for 'sexual experience, ever'

Table 4.6 Sexual experience with a partner of the same sex, by social class

Base: All (except those who had no job in last 10 years)

	Social class					
	I	II	IIINM	IIIM	IV	V
	%	%	%	%	%	%
Men						
Sexual experience with same sex partner, ever	12.5	13.6	9.4	4.9	6.1	4.1
Sexual intercourse/genital contact with same sex partner:						
Ever	8.8	10.5	7.2	3.6	5.5	2.0
last five years	4.3	4.4	3.3	1.1	2.2	0.5
last year	3.5	4.1	2.4	0.8	1.4	0.5
last three months	2.9	3.8	2.5	0.5	1.1	0.5
Women						
Sexual experience with same sex partner, ever	11.0	12.4	8.7	8.4	10.0	6.8
Sexual intercourse/genital contact with same sex partner:						
ever	5.2	7.8	4.8	5.6	6.1	4.8
last five years	3.4	2.9	2.4	2.6	3.0	1.7
last year	2.4	1.6	1.4	1.5	1.5	0.9
last three months	0.6	1.0	0.5	1.3	0.6	0.9
<i>Bases (weighted)</i>						
<i>Men</i>	<i>383</i>	<i>1487</i>	<i>675</i>	<i>1553</i>	<i>747</i>	<i>247</i>
<i>Women</i>	<i>155</i>	<i>1269</i>	<i>1772</i>	<i>394</i>	<i>855</i>	<i>218</i>
<i>Bases (unweighted)</i>						
<i>Men</i>	<i>324</i>	<i>1288</i>	<i>585</i>	<i>1228</i>	<i>625</i>	<i>212</i>
<i>Women</i>	<i>203</i>	<i>1571</i>	<i>2037</i>	<i>453</i>	<i>977</i>	<i>254</i>

Bases vary: those shown are for 'sexual experience, ever'

Table 4.7 Sexual experience with a partner of the same sex, by religion

Base: All

	Religion						
	None	Church of England	Roman Catholic	Other Christian	Muslim	Hindu	Other non Christian
Men	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
Sexual experience with same sex partner, ever	8.6	7.5	7.1	8.9	5.0	[12.2]	12.9
Sexual intercourse/genital contact with same sex partner:							
ever	6.5	5.6	5.9	5.9	4.4	[12.2]	11.8
last five years	3.1	1.9	1.7	2.1	0.3	[2.1]	5.7
last year	2.5	1.1	1.4	1.9	0.3	[1.5]	5.7
last three months	2.1	1.1	1.3	1.7	0.3	[4.0]	4.6
Women							
Sexual experience with same sex partner, ever	11.7	7.1	7.8	8.7	4.1	-	19.4
Sexual intercourse/genital contact with same sex partner:							
ever	7.5	3.6	3.7	4.7	1.1	-	12.8
last five years	3.5	1.6	1.4	2.3	-	-	7.8
last year	2.0	1.1	0.7	1.3	-	-	2.8
last three months	1.1	0.5	0.1	0.2	-	-	1.5
<i>Bases (weighted)</i>							
<i>Men</i>	3396	919	468	633	120	49	78
<i>Women</i>	2738	1215	547	714	126	50	76
<i>Bases (unweighted)</i>							
<i>Men</i>	2811	719	429	552	114	44	69
<i>Women</i>	3152	1399	674	849	147	50	104

Bases vary: those shown are for 'sexual experience, ever'

Table 4.8 Sexual experience with a partner of the same sex, by region

Base: All

	Region										
	North East	North West and Mersey-side	Yorkshire and Humber	East Midlands	West Midlands	South West	Eastern	London	South East	Wales	Scotland
Men											
Sexual exp. with same sex partner, ever	8.9	7.9	8.3	5.2	5.9	7.8	7.8	14.3	9.1	7.1	4.8
Sexual intercourse/genital contact with same sex partner:											
ever	7.0	5.8	5.9	4.3	4.4	6.4	5.4	11.5	6.3	5.5	3.5
last five years	2.9	2.9	2.7	1.9	2.1	1.5	1.3	5.5	2.1	2.9	1.5
last year	2.1	2.0	2.0	1.9	1.5	1.0	1.3	4.8	1.5	2.6	1.0
last three months	1.2	2.0	1.8	1.9	1.3	0.9	1.3	3.9	1.3	2.3	0.9
Women											
Sexual exp. with same sex partner, ever	6.2	8.5	9.0	10.0	12.9	5.1	10.7	12.7	12.4	6.3	5.9
Sexual intercourse/genital contact with same sex partner:											
ever	4.2	6.1	5.8	5.3	6.6	2.6	6.5	8.1	7.1	3.5	2.7
last five years	1.6	2.9	2.5	2.8	3.0	0.9	2.0	3.9	3.6	1.3	1.7
last year	1.6	1.8	1.5	2.2	1.9	0.3	0.9	2.5	1.5	1.3	0.7
last three months	1.1	0.4	0.8	1.4	0.6	0.3	0.2	1.2	0.7	0.7	0.4
<i>Bases (weighted)</i>											
<i>Men</i>	249	666	497	405	515	446	516	817	796	261	507
<i>Women</i>	248	640	471	389	491	426	503	786	764	260	501
<i>Bases (unweighted)</i>											
<i>Men</i>	236	473	375	322	348	353	340	1168	573	200	368
<i>Women</i>	300	711	502	423	447	433	541	1530	746	273	488

Bases vary: those shown are for 'sexual experience, ever'

Table 4.9 Sexual experience with a partner of the same sex, by smoking status

Base: All

	Men				Women			
	Smoking status				Smoking status			
	Never smoked	Ex-smoker	Smokes < 15 per day	Smokes 15+ per day	Never smoked	Ex-smoker	Smokes < 15 per day	Smokes 15+ per day
Sexual experience with same sex partner, ever	7.3	11.1	8.6	8.5	6.2	11.0	14.7	11.7
Sexual intercourse/genital contact with same sex partner:								
ever	5.3	8.1	6.4	7.3	3.2	6.1	9.0	8.2
last five years	2.4	2.3	2.7	3.4	1.6	1.8	4.7	3.8
last year	1.9	1.9	2.0	2.9	1.3	0.6	2.2	2.2
last three months	1.7	1.9	1.6	2.3	0.6	0.3	0.8	1.2
<i>Bases (weighted)</i>	2659	859	1076	1071	2541	894	1164	880
<i>Bases (unweighted)</i>	2212	706	959	870	2927	1026	1381	1060

Bases vary: those shown are for 'sexual experience, ever'

Table 4.10 Sexual experience with a partner of the same sex, by usual weekly alcohol consumption

Base: All

	Men				Women			
	Usual weekly alcohol consumption				Usual weekly alcohol consumption			
	None, never drinks alcohol	20 or less units	21 to 49 units	50+ units	None, never drinks alcohol	15 or less units	16 to 34 units	35+ units
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
Sexual experience with same sex partner, ever	5.6	8.2	11.9	7.9	5.7	9.9	20.7	27.2
Sexual intercourse/genital contact with same sex partner:								
ever	4.2	6.2	9.1	4.8	4.0	5.6	14.9	18.1
last five years	1.5	2.7	2.9	2.4	1.5	2.6	8.1	9.9
last year	1.3	2.2	2.0	1.2	1.2	1.4	3.5	9.1
last three months	1.3	1.9	1.6	1.2	0.8	0.6	1.9	1.4
<i>Bases (weighted)</i>	<i>637</i>	<i>4221</i>	<i>664</i>	<i>146</i>	<i>1094</i>	<i>4125</i>	<i>184</i>	<i>73</i>
<i>Bases (unweighted)</i>	<i>548</i>	<i>3516</i>	<i>548</i>	<i>137</i>	<i>1305</i>	<i>4778</i>	<i>225</i>	<i>82</i>

Bases vary: those shown are for 'sexual experience, ever'

Table 4.11 Number of same sex partners ever, by age

Base: All

	Age						Natsal II total	Natsal I total*
	16-17	18-19	20-24	25-34	35-44			
Men	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	
0	98.8	97.9	96.2	93.3	92.1	93.9	96.4	
1	0.8	1.7	1.9	3.3	3.9	3.1	1.9	
2	0.1	0.4	0.3	0.7	1.2	0.8	0.4	
3+	0.3	-	1.6	2.6	2.8	2.2	1.2	
Women								
0	97.4	95.5	93.7	94.2	94.1	94.4	98.2	
1	2.3	3.6	4.1	3.8	3.8	3.7	1.2	
2	0.3	-	2.0	1.1	1.0	1.1	0.4	
3+	-	0.9	0.3	0.9	1.1	0.8	0.3	
<i>Bases (weighted)</i>								
<i>Men</i>	<i>369</i>	<i>312</i>	<i>822</i>	<i>2118</i>	<i>2012</i>	<i>5633</i>	<i>6911</i>	
<i>Women</i>	<i>341</i>	<i>310</i>	<i>780</i>	<i>2032</i>	<i>1973</i>	<i>5436</i>	<i>6766</i>	
<i>Bases (unweighted)</i>								
<i>Men</i>	<i>299</i>	<i>277</i>	<i>645</i>	<i>1779</i>	<i>1714</i>	<i>4714</i>	<i>5963</i>	
<i>Women</i>	<i>310</i>	<i>294</i>	<i>821</i>	<i>2508</i>	<i>2400</i>	<i>6333</i>	<i>7719</i>	

*Based on Natsal I respondents aged 16-44, weighted to be comparable with Natsal II.

Table 4.12 Number of same sex partners ever, by marital status*

Base: All

	Men			Women				
	Marital status			Marital status				
	Married	Cohabiting: opposite sex partner	Divorced, separated, widowed	Single	Married	Cohabiting: opposite sex partner	Divorced, separated, widowed	Single
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
0	95.4	95.5	91.7	93.8	96.7	90.8	92.8	94.7
1	3.1	3.0	4.6	2.8	2.4	6.3	5.3	3.6
2	0.8	0.8	1.4	0.5	0.7	1.8	0.9	1.0
3+	0.6	0.7	2.4	2.8	0.3	1.0	1.0	0.8
<i>Bases (weighted)</i>	2239	882	246	2208	2401	971	417	1618
<i>Bases (unweighted)</i>	1548	617	321	2177	2477	980	708	2131

*Due to small base, respondents with a same-sex cohabiting partner are excluded from the table.

Table 4.13 Number of same sex partners ever, by education level

Base: Aged 18 or over

	Men			Women			
	Education level			Education level			
	A level or above	GCSE/ O level/ CSE	Other/ none	A level or above	GCSE/ O level/ CSE	Other/ none	Other/ none
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
0	90.7	95.1	95.7	92.1	95.0	95.8	95.8
1	4.5	2.6	2.2	4.9	3.4	3.0	3.0
2	1.1	0.6	0.6	1.6	0.8	0.9	0.9
3+	3.7	1.6	1.6	1.3	0.8	0.3	0.3
<i>Bases (weighted)</i>	1995	2318	933	1804	2388	884	884
<i>Bases (unweighted)</i>	1748	1855	797	2175	2716	1109	1109

Table 4.14 Number of same sex partners ever, by social class

Base: All (except those who had no job in last 10 years)

		Social class					
		I	II	IIINM	IIIM	IV	V
Men		%	%	%	%	%	%
0		91.2	89.7	93.3	96.5	95.1	97.9
1		5.0	4.6	3.3	2.2	2.4	0.6
2		0.1	1.7	0.5	0.4	0.5	0.9
3+		3.6	4.1	2.9	0.9	2.0	0.5
Women							
0		94.8	92.2	95.3	94.3	94.0	95.1
1		2.9	5.1	3.0	3.4	4.4	2.8
2		1.5	1.4	0.9	1.2	0.9	0.7
3+		0.9	1.2	0.7	1.0	0.7	1.4
<i>Bases (weighted)</i>							
<i>Men</i>		381	1473	674	1546	742	239
<i>Women</i>		155	1262	1762	389	850	215
<i>Bases (unweighted)</i>							
<i>Men</i>		321	1275	583	1222	620	205
<i>Women</i>		202	1561	2023	447	967	250

Table 4.15 Number of same sex partners ever, by religion

Base: All

		Religion						
		None	Church of England	Roman Catholic	Other Christian	Muslim	Hindu	Other non Christian
Men		%	%	%	%	%	%	%
0		93.7	94.6	94.0	94.3	96.0	[90.0]	88.5
1		2.9	3.1	3.4	3.1	3.8	[7.6]	6.5
2		0.8	0.9	0.9	0.5	-	[-]	0.4
3+		2.6	1.4	1.6	2.0	0.3	[2.5]	4.6
Women								
0		92.6	96.5	96.3	95.3	98.9	[100.0]	87.1
1		4.9	2.2	2.8	3.6	-	[-]	2.5
2		1.3	0.9	0.2	0.6	1.1	[-]	5.1
3+		1.1	0.4	0.7	0.5	-	[-]	5.4
<i>Bases (weighted)</i>								
<i>Men</i>		3369	907	466	630	118	47	78
<i>Women</i>		2714	1208	542	710	125	49	75
<i>Bases (unweighted)</i>								
<i>Men</i>		2784	714	426	550	112	42	69
<i>Women</i>		3122	1390	666	842	145	49	102

Table 4.16 Number of same sex partners ever, by region

Base: All

	Region										
	North East	North West and Mersey-side	Yorkshire and Humber	East Midlands	West Midlands	South West	Eastern	London	South East	Wales	Scotland
Men	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
0	93.5	94.6	94.0	95.7	95.8	93.9	95.0	88.8	93.7	94.5	96.8
1	3.6	2.5	3.6	2.2	1.6	3.6	3.6	5.2	2.6	2.9	1.8
2	0.5	0.5	0.1	0.5	0.9	0.9	0.5	1.6	1.4	-	0.1
3+	2.4	2.4	2.2	1.6	1.7	1.6	0.9	4.5	2.3	2.6	1.2
Women											
0	96.0	94.0	94.1	94.7	93.6	97.4	94.0	91.9	92.9	96.5	97.4
1	2.5	4.4	3.1	4.1	5.0	1.7	4.0	4.4	4.9	1.9	2.3
2	0.7	1.0	1.7	0.8	0.8	0.1	1.7	1.8	1.3	0.9	0.1
3+	0.8	0.6	1.2	0.4	0.5	0.8	0.4	1.9	1.0	0.7	0.3
<i>Bases (weighted)</i>											
<i>Men</i>	246	665	494	405	514	440	510	809	787	260	503
<i>Women</i>	247	637	464	389	486	424	501	772	757	260	498
<i>Bases (unweighted)</i>											
<i>Men</i>	234	472	372	322	347	347	336	1155	566	199	364
<i>Women</i>	299	704	495	423	443	430	539	1502	740	273	485

Table 4.17 Number of same sex partners ever, by smoking status

Base: All

	Men				Women			
	Smoking status				Smoking status			
	Never smoked	Ex-smoker	Smokes < 15 per day	Smokes 15+ per day	Never smoked	Ex-smoker	Smokes < 15 per day	Smokes 15+ per day
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
0	95.0	92.3	93.7	92.6	96.9	93.9	91.2	91.8
1	2.5	4.0	3.5	3.4	2.3	4.1	5.4	5.4
2	0.5	1.4	0.6	1.0	0.4	1.3	1.9	1.6
3+	1.9	2.3	2.2	3.0	0.5	0.8	1.4	1.2
<i>Bases (weighted)</i>								
	2644	855	1068	1056	2516	890	1154	877
<i>Bases (unweighted)</i>								
	2195	702	950	859	2891	1020	1367	1055

Table 4.18 Number of same sex partners ever, by usual weekly alcohol consumption

Base: All

	Men				Women			
	Usual weekly alcohol consumption				Usual weekly alcohol consumption			
	None, never drinks alcohol	20 or less units	21 to 49 units	50+ units	None, never drinks alcohol	15 or less units	16 to 34 units	35+ units
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
0	95.9	94.1	91.1	95.2	96.1	94.5	85.0	83.8
1	1.7	3.0	5.3	0.8	2.7	3.8	6.9	10.9
2	0.6	0.7	0.8	1.8	0.6	0.9	5.2	4.5
3+	1.9	2.2	2.7	2.2	0.6	0.8	2.9	0.9
<i>Bases (weighted)</i>	<i>631</i>	<i>4192</i>	<i>659</i>	<i>146</i>	<i>1079</i>	<i>4100</i>	<i>183</i>	<i>71</i>
<i>Bases (unweighted)</i>	<i>540</i>	<i>3490</i>	<i>542</i>	<i>136</i>	<i>1280</i>	<i>4745</i>	<i>224</i>	<i>80</i>

Table 5.1 Frequency of heterosexual intercourse in the last four weeks, by sex

Base: All

	Men		Women	
	Natsal II	Natsal I*	Natsal II	Natsal I*
Minimum	0	0	0	0
10 th centile	0	0	0	0
25 th centile	1	0	1	1
Median	3	4	4	4
75 th centile	8	8	8	8
90 th centile	14	12	13	12
95 th centile	19	17	19	16
99 th centile	30	29	28	25
Maximum	150	130	120	100
Mean	5.5	5.4	5.7	5.3
Variance	43.9	44.2	43.6	31.5
<i>Bases (weighted)</i>	<i>5485</i>	<i>6556</i>	<i>5306</i>	<i>6361</i>
<i>Bases (unweighted)</i>	<i>4577</i>	<i>5656</i>	<i>6165</i>	<i>7265</i>

*Based on Natsal I respondents aged 16-44, weighted to be comparable with Natsal II.

Table 5.2 Frequency of heterosexual intercourse in the last four weeks, by age

Base: All

	Age					Natsal II total
	16-17	18-19	20-24	25-34	35-44	
Men						
25 th centile	0	0	0	1	1	1
Median	0	1	3	4	4	3
75 th centile	1	8	10	8	8	8
95 th centile	10	25	20	20	16	19
Women						
25 th centile	0	0	1	2	1	1
Median	0	4	4	4	4	4
75 th centile	3	10	10	8	8	8
95 th centile	20	23	20	18	15	19
<i>Bases (weighted)</i>						
<i>Men</i>	365	303	801	2059	1958	4946
<i>Women</i>	336	312	755	1985	1918	4921
<i>Bases (unweighted)</i>						
<i>Men</i>	297	270	626	1724	1660	4089
<i>Women</i>	306	295	796	2440	2328	5754

Table 5.3 Frequency of heterosexual intercourse in the last four weeks, by marital status*

Base: All

	Men				Women			
	Marital status				Marital status			
	Married	Cohabiting: opposite sex partner	Divorced, separated widowed	Single	Married	Cohabiting: opposite sex partner	Divorced, separated widowed	Single
25 th centile	2	4	0	0	2	3	0	0
Median	4	7	2	1	4	6	1	1
75 th centile	8	12	8	5	8	11	7	6
95 th centile	16	20	20	20	15	25	16	20
<i>Bases (weighted)</i>								
	2186	876	237	2145	2349	957	406	1580
<i>Bases (unweighted)</i>								
	1512	611	311	2105	2416	963	689	2079

* Due to small base, respondents with a same-sex cohabiting partner are excluded from the table.

Table 5.4 Frequency of heterosexual intercourse in the last four weeks, by education level

Base: All aged 18 or over

	Men			Women		
	Education level			Education level		
	A level or above	GCSE/ O level/ CSE	Other/ none	A level or above	GCSE/ O level/ CSE	Other/ none
25 th centile	0	1	2	1	2	1
Median	3	4	4	4	4	4
75 th centile	8	9	8	8	8	8
95 th centile	20	20	17	20	19	19
<i>Bases (weighted)</i>	<i>1946</i>	<i>2265</i>	<i>897</i>	<i>1767</i>	<i>2333</i>	<i>857</i>
<i>Bases (unweighted)</i>	<i>1699</i>	<i>1809</i>	<i>759</i>	<i>2125</i>	<i>2649</i>	<i>1069</i>

Table 5.5 Frequency of heterosexual intercourse in the last four weeks, by social class

Base: All (except those who had no job in the last 10 years)

	Social class					
	I	II	IIINM	IIIM	IV	V
Men						
25 th centile	1	1	0	1	0	0
Median	3	4	3	4	3	4
75 th centile	8	8	7	10	8	8
95 th centile	20	16	18	20	20	17
Women						
25 th centile	1	1	1	2	1	2
Median	4	4	4	5	4	4
75 th centile	8	8	8	10	10	9
95 th centile	20	16	16	17	20	17
<i>Bases (weighted)</i>						
<i>Men</i>	<i>374</i>	<i>1427</i>	<i>660</i>	<i>1507</i>	<i>726</i>	<i>235</i>
<i>Women</i>	<i>151</i>	<i>1229</i>	<i>1726</i>	<i>383</i>	<i>831</i>	<i>207</i>
<i>Bases (unweighted)</i>						
<i>Men</i>	<i>315</i>	<i>1231</i>	<i>571</i>	<i>1185</i>	<i>603</i>	<i>201</i>
<i>Women</i>	<i>196</i>	<i>1518</i>	<i>1980</i>	<i>436</i>	<i>941</i>	<i>240</i>

Table 5.6 Frequency of heterosexual intercourse in the last four weeks, by religion

Base: All

	Religion						
	None	Church of England	Roman Catholic	Other Christian	Muslim	Hindu	Other non Christian
Men							
25 th centile	1	1	0	0	0	[0]	0
Median	4	4	4	3	3	[1]	2
75 th centile	8	8	8	7	8	[3]	9
95 th centile	20	16	20	15	17	[8]	17
Women							
25 th centile	1	1	1	1	0	0	0
Median	4	4	4	3	3	3	3
75 th centile	9	8	8	8	8	9	6
95 th centile	20	16	19	16	23	25	20
<i>Bases (weighted)</i>							
<i>Men</i>	3286	886	454	611	110	48	78
<i>Women</i>	2637	1184	532	700	119	50	74
<i>Bases (unweighted)</i>							
<i>Men</i>	2700	697	415	536	104	42	69
<i>Women</i>	3025	1361	651	828	137	50	100

Table 5.7 Frequency of heterosexual intercourse in the last four weeks, by region

Base: All

	Region										
	North East	North West and Mersey-side	Yorkshire and Humber	East Midlands	West Midlands	South West	Eastern	London	South East	Wales	Scotland
Men											
25 th centile	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	2	1
Median	3	3	4	4	3	4	3	3	3	5	4
75 th centile	9	8	8	8	8	9	8	8	8	10	8
95 th centile	20	17	16	20	16	20	18	18	20	20	15
Women											
25 th centile	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1
Median	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	3	4	4	4
75 th centile	8	8	8	8	10	8	10	8	8	8	8
95 th centile	15	16	20	16	20	18	20	19	16	20	18
<i>Bases (weighted)</i>											
<i>Men</i>	230	636	468	395	508	442	503	786	773	250	494
<i>Women</i>	233	618	449	377	478	408	489	755	753	256	487
<i>Bases (unweighted)</i>											
<i>Men</i>	219	451	353	312	342	349	331	1119	554	191	356
<i>Women</i>	281	687	477	409	436	415	525	1461	734	268	472

Table 6.1 Prevalence of different sexual practices with an opposite sex partner ever, in the last five years and in the last year, by age

Base: All

	Age					Natsal II total	Natsal I total*
	16-17	18-19	20-24	25-34	35-44		
Men	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
Vaginal intercourse							
ever	49.5	79.4	92.8	95.8	97.6	92.1	91.3
last five years	49.5	78.7	91.9	94.0	95.4	90.4	89.6
last year	47.4	75.8	87.0	90.0	91.6	86.5	85.0
Oral sex							
ever	40.4	75.1	87.4	91.6	91.7	86.7	74.0
last five years	40.4	74.8	87.1	89.6	87.3	84.4	70.0
last year	38.0	70.6	82.4	83.1	79.7	78.1	69.7
Anal sex							
ever	8.3	11.8	24.3	30.5	27.8	26.2	14.4
last five years	8.3	11.6	23.8	24.5	20.1	21.1	10.9
last year	7.7	9.1	16.0	12.4	11.9	12.3	7.0
Genital contact**							
ever	81.2	83.7	90.2	89.6	87.6	88.3	84.3
last five years	80.3	83.2	89.6	86.6	82.6	85.1	79.5
last year	78.4	76.5	84.3	79.3	75.6	78.5	71.8
Women							
Vaginal intercourse							
Ever	51.0	82.0	93.4	98.7	98.8	93.9	92.3
last five years	51.0	82.0	92.9	97.7	96.2	92.6	91.1
last year	49.7	80.1	88.0	94.2	90.6	88.3	87.0
Oral sex							
ever	43.7	79.0	88.2	93.0	88.8	86.8	68.9
last five years	43.7	79.0	87.5	90.6	82.8	83.7	65.0
last year	42.7	77.1	82.7	84.3	73.0	76.9	65.6
Anal sex							
ever	6.5	15.3	24.3	28.5	24.0	24.1	13.4
last five years	6.5	14.3	22.9	22.9	14.6	18.4	10.2
last year	5.6	11.9	14.8	13.6	8.4	11.3	6.5
Genital contact**							
ever	78.2	90.7	91.5	89.6	85.0	87.8	80.1
last five years	77.8	90.4	90.9	86.4	78.5	84.0	75.3
last year	76.0	86.9	84.8	80.1	69.0	76.9	68.0
<i>Bases (weighted)</i>							
Men	366	305	804	2081	1976	5532	6618
Women	342	311	777	1995	1923	5349	6454
<i>Bases (unweighted)</i>							
Men	297	271	632	1753	1675	4628	5708
Women	312	297	816	2455	2339	6219	7366

*Based on Natsal I respondents aged 16-44, weighted to be comparable with Natsal II.

**Bases for genital contact exclude those who have not had heterosexual sex but have had some sexual contact, as this small group was not given the self-completion questionnaire.

Bases vary: those shown are for 'vaginal intercourse, ever'

Table 6.2 Prevalence of different sexual practices with an opposite sex partner in the last year, by marital status*

Base: All

	Men			Women				
	Marital status			Marital status				
	Married	Cohabiting: opposite sex partner	Divorced, separated, widowed	Single	Married	Cohabiting: opposite sex partner	Divorced, separated, widowed	Single
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
Vaginal intercourse	98.5	98.4	85.8	71.2	98.2	98.8	77.3	71.2
Oral sex	85.5	93.2	78.4	65.9	81.3	91.7	65.9	65.1
Anal sex	11.2	14.5	15.8	12.2	9.7	14.6	13.3	11.2
Genital contact**	81.0	85.2	73.9	74.4	76.7	85.7	61.7	76.2
<i>Bases (weighted)</i>	2213	869	239	2162	2359	962	398	1606
<i>Bases (unweighted)</i>	1527	608	314	2135	2430	971	680	2107

* Due to small base, respondents with a same-sex cohabiting partner are excluded from the table.

** Bases for genital contact exclude those who have not had heterosexual sex but have had some sexual contact, as this small group was not given the self-completion questionnaire.

Bases vary: those shown are for 'vaginal intercourse'

Table 6.3 Prevalence of different sexual practices with an opposite sex partner in the last year, by education level

Base: Aged 18 or over

	Men			Women			
	Education level			Education level			
	A level or above	GCSE/ O level/ CSE	Other/ none	A level or above	GCSE/ O level/ CSE	Other/ none	
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
Vaginal intercourse	86.7	91.1	90.6	90.2	91.9		90.1
Oral sex	79.1	84.8	75.6	81.7	80.5		70.7
Anal sex	11.8	13.2	12.6	12.0	11.1		12.3
Genital contact*	79.2	81.4	69.9	81.7	77.5		65.4
<i>Bases (weighted)</i>	1981	2275	897	1794	2345		853
<i>Bases (unweighted)</i>	1736	1821	762	2163	2664		1063

* Bases for genital contact exclude those who have not had heterosexual sex but have had some sexual contact, as this small group was not given the self-completion questionnaire.

Bases vary: those shown are for 'vaginal intercourse'

Table 6.4 Prevalence of different sexual practices with an opposite sex partner in the last year, by social class

Base: All (except those who had no job in last 10 years)

Social class						
	I	II	IIINM	IIIM	IV	V
Men	%	%	%	%	%	%
Vaginal intercourse	89.7	90.2	84.7	93.6	87.3	86.9
Oral sex	80.8	82.1	77.2	85.6	76.4	74.2
Anal sex	9.4	11.5	13.8	12.5	14.8	13.0
Genital contact*	81.4	80.7	77.8	80.4	76.9	68.6
Women						
Vaginal intercourse	92.8	93.6	90.7	92.6	90.1	91.3
Oral sex	78.7	83.3	81.0	83.0	76.5	73.4
Anal sex	7.0	11.2	12.4	13.3	12.1	11.0
Genital contact*	83.3	78.7	78.8	79.5	75.4	66.6
<i>Bases (weighted)</i>						
<i>Men</i>	379	1466	663	1504	721	238
<i>Women</i>	154	1244	1743	385	831	206
<i>Bases (unweighted)</i>						
<i>Men</i>	320	1267	574	1187	603	202
<i>Women</i>	200	1538	2000	442	945	237

* Bases for genital contact exclude those who have not had heterosexual sex but have had some sexual contact, as this small group was not given the self-completion questionnaire.

Bases vary: those shown are for 'vaginal intercourse'

Table 6.5 Prevalence of different sexual practices with an opposite sex partner in the last year, by religion

Base: All

Religion							
	None	Church of England	Roman Catholic	Other Christian	Muslim	Hindu	Other non Christian
Men	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
Vaginal intercourse	87.2	91.8	89.9	79.2	69.9	[62.8]	76.1
Oral sex	80.5	81.6	82.7	68.6	39.6	[35.9]	69.3
Anal sex	13.7	9.5	13.5	8.9	9.4	[8.3]	9.0
Genital contact*	79.0	80.1	80.8	78.3	49.1	[58.0]	75.0
Women							
Vaginal intercourse	77.4	89.6	90.7	88.5	84.7	64.3	76.1
Oral sex	79.2	79.5	78.2	71.8	38.3	58.1	64.8
Anal sex	12.6	9.3	12.4	8.3	13.4	9.9	11.9
Genital contact*	80.2	76.3	77.6	71.7	39.7	71.8	66.7
<i>Bases (weighted)</i>							
<i>Men</i>	3317	897	456	623	111	48	78
<i>Women</i>	2689	1185	535	701	119	50	72
<i>Bases (unweighted)</i>							
<i>Men</i>	2745	706	417	541	103	43	68
<i>Women</i>	3084	1361	656	830	137	50	99

* Bases for genital contact exclude those who have not had heterosexual sex but have had some sexual contact, as this small group was not given the self-completion questionnaire.

Bases vary: those shown are for 'vaginal intercourse'

Table 6.6 Prevalence of different sexual practices with an opposite sex partner in the last year, by region

Base: All

	Region										
	North East	North West and Mersey-side	Yorkshire and Humber	East Midlands	West Midlands	South West	Eastern	London	South East	Wales	Scotland
Men	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
Vaginal intercourse	87.9	87.3	85.7	86.0	85.9	89.7	87.1	83.1	86.8	87.1	88.2
Oral sex	80.8	79.5	76.1	79.1	78.5	81.0	78.7	72.0	79.9	79.7	78.8
Anal sex	13.6	12.3	12.5	10.8	8.8	12.5	11.0	14.7	11.6	11.3	14.7
Genital contact*	81.5	79.4	79.9	77.5	79.1	79.7	81.0	72.6	79.2	79.6	78.6
Women											
Vaginal intercourse	88.8	87.4	87.9	87.7	87.9	91.9	92.5	84.8	87.5	87.0	90.7
Oral sex	76.0	78.4	75.7	78.2	76.1	81.4	79.3	72.5	77.4	77.3	75.9
Anal sex	11.7	11.3	12.1	11.2	9.5	9.3	12.2	12.2	12.4	9.0	11.1
Genital contact*	74.8	76.2	75.7	77.2	75.1	83.1	80.8	72.3	80.8	74.1	74.3
<i>Bases (weighted)</i>											
<i>Men</i>	224	652	479	394	512	445	507	785	787	254	492
<i>Women</i>	229	621	459	381	480	420	495	765	753	256	490
<i>Bases (unweighted)</i>											
<i>Men</i>	213	463	361	313	346	352	335	1129	566	194	356
<i>Women</i>	278	686	488	415	436	427	530	1484	733	267	475

* Bases for genital contact exclude those who have not had heterosexual sex but have had some sexual contact, as this small group was not given the self-completion questionnaire.

Bases vary: those shown are for 'vaginal intercourse'

Table 6.7 Prevalence of different sexual practices with an opposite sex partner in the last year, by smoking status

Base: All

	Men				Women			
	Smoking status				Smoking status			
	Never smoked	Ex-smoker	Smokes < 15 per day	Smokes 15+ per day	Never smoked	Ex-smoker	Smokes < 15 per day	Smokes 15+ per day
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
Vaginal intercourse	81.7	91.3	89.6	91.6	84.6	91.3	90.6	92.9
Oral sex	72.3	83.4	83.0	83.7	71.4	80.9	81.5	82.6
Anal sex	10.3	11.9	13.4	16.2	8.9	9.1	16.1	14.1
Genital contact*	78.2	80.9	78.7	77.2	74.9	79.7	80.1	75.1
<i>Bases (weighted)</i>	2605	838	1044	1034	2477	878	1147	847
<i>Bases (unweighted)</i>	2165	686	928	841	2838	1006	1356	1019

* Bases for genital contact exclude those who have not had heterosexual sex but have had some sexual contact, as this small group was not given the self-completion questionnaire.

Bases vary: those shown are for 'vaginal intercourse'

Table 6.8 Prevalence of different sexual practices with an opposite sex partner in the last year, by usual weekly alcohol consumption

Base: All

	Men				Women			
	Usual weekly alcohol consumption				Usual weekly alcohol consumption			
	None, never drinks alcohol	20 or less units	21 to 49 units	50+ units	None, never drinks alcohol	15 or less units	16 to 34 units	35+ units
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
Vaginal intercourse	73.2	87.6	91.4	90.0	78.5	90.4	95.2	95.7
Oral sex	57.6	79.4	87.3	84.7	58.2	80.8	92.1	90.3
Anal sex	10.8	11.4	17.3	17.0	8.6	12.0	13.9	6.6
Genital contact*	63.6	79.6	82.3	85.7	62.6	80.2	79.8	84.1
<i>Bases (weighted)</i>	<i>603</i>	<i>4136</i>	<i>648</i>	<i>139</i>	<i>1040</i>	<i>4052</i>	<i>184</i>	<i>71</i>
<i>Bases (unweighted)</i>	<i>523</i>	<i>3436</i>	<i>532</i>	<i>131</i>	<i>1230</i>	<i>4681</i>	<i>224</i>	<i>80</i>

* Bases for genital contact exclude those who have not had heterosexual sex but have had some sexual contact, as this small group was not given the self-completion questionnaire.

Bases vary: those shown are for 'vaginal intercourse'

Table 6.9 Prevalence of different sexual practices with a same sex partner in the last five years, by age

Base: All

	Men				Women			
	Age				Age			
	16-24	25-34	35-44	All men	16-24	25-34	35-44	All women
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
Oral sex	1.8	3.1	2.2	2.4	2.4	2.2	1.6	2.0
Anal sex	1.3	2.5	1.5	1.8	-	-	-	-
Genital contact*	1.7	2.6	2.2	2.2	3.0	2.1	1.6	2.2
<i>Bases (weighted)</i>	<i>1506</i>	<i>2119</i>	<i>2026</i>	<i>5651</i>	<i>1439</i>	<i>2037</i>	<i>1984</i>	<i>5460</i>
<i>Bases (unweighted)</i>	<i>1224</i>	<i>1781</i>	<i>1724</i>	<i>4729</i>	<i>1435</i>	<i>2518</i>	<i>2417</i>	<i>6370</i>

* Bases for genital contact exclude those who have not had heterosexual sex but have had some sexual contact, as this small group was not given the self-completion questionnaire.

Bases vary: those shown are for 'vaginal intercourse'

Table 7.1 Proportion considering particular sexual behaviours to be mostly or always wrong, by age

Base: All

	Age					Natsal II total	Natsal I total*
	16-17	18-19	20-24	25-34	35-44		
Men	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
Sex before marriage	5.7	5.2	4.7	4.2	6.0	5.1	6.0
Sex outside marriage	91.1	89.5	87.4	84.4	81.2	84.4	77.6
Sex outside cohabiting relationship	70.3	77.1	79.0	79.3	75.3	77.1	67.2
Sex outside non-cohabiting regular relationship	67.7	67.9	75.0	72.9	66.6	70.3	59.2
One-night stands	35.9	30.7	24.7	32.6	42.4	35.0	53.0
Women							
Sex before marriage	6.0	7.6	6.4	4.1	5.6	5.3	6.9
Sex outside marriage	92.7	91.1	92.5	89.2	85.5	88.7	83.2
Sex outside cohabiting relationship	85.6	87.7	88.6	87.3	82.7	85.7	78.5
Sex outside non-cohabiting regular relationship	81.9	86.1	86.5	83.1	75.8	81.1	70.0
One-night stands	56.4	47.0	45.5	49.5	61.6	53.6	78.8
<i>Bases (weighted)</i>							
<i>Men</i>	372	309	821	2107	2009	5618	6727
<i>Women</i>	343	310	782	2024	1959	5418	6654
<i>Bases (unweighted)</i>							
<i>Men</i>	301	274	643	1771	1708	4697	5798
<i>Women</i>	313	296	822	2496	2386	6313	7593

*Based on Natsal I respondents aged 16-44, weighted to be comparable with Natsal II.

Bases vary: those shown are for 'sex before marriage'.

Bases exclude those who answered 'depends' or 'don't know'.

Table 7.2 Proportion considering particular sexual behaviours to be mostly or always wrong, by marital status*

Base: All*

	Men			Women				
	Marital status			Marital status				
	Married	Cohabiting: opposite sex partner	Divorced, separated, widowed	Single	Married	Cohabiting: opposite sex partner	Divorced, separated, widowed	Single
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
Sex before marriage	7.2	1.1	4.8	4.5	6.3	1.4	6.2	5.8
Sex outside marriage	83.5	82.4	81.8	86.6	89.5	86.2	84.5	90.1
Sex outside cohabiting relationship	75.7	83.4	76.6	75.9	85.7	85.8	84.1	86.3
Sex outside non-cohabiting regular relationship	67.5	76.2	69.7	71.0	78.8	81.9	81.4	83.9
One-night stands	41.6	33.0	39.6	28.9	60.5	47.0	56.6	46.9
<i>Bases (weighted)</i>								
	2235	887	244	2202	2384	971	415	1625
<i>Bases (unweighted)</i>								
	1545	621	319	2169	2462	977	705	2138

*Due to small base, respondents with a same-sex cohabiting partner are excluded from the table.

Bases vary: those shown are for 'sex before marriage'.

Bases exclude those who answered 'depends' or 'don't know'.

Table 7.3 Proportion considering particular sexual behaviours to be mostly or always wrong, by education level

Base: Aged 18 or over

	Men			Women		
	Education level			Education level		
	A level or above	GCSE/ O level/ CSE	Other/ none	A level or above	GCSE/ O level/ CSE	Other/ none
	%	%	%	%	%	%
Sex before marriage	6.4	3.1	6.6	5.2	4.2	7.9
Sex outside marriage	83.8	84.3	83.7	87.2	89.5	88.1
Sex outside cohabiting relationship	77.6	77.1	78.9	84.7	86.7	85.5
Sex outside non-cohabiting regular relationship	69.4	71.1	71.8	79.8	81.8	81.3
One-night stands	31.6	34.9	42.3	45.0	55.7	64.8
<i>Bases (weighted)</i>	1995	2313	930	1800	2383	877
<i>Bases (unweighted)</i>	1749	1848	792	2174	2711	1098

Bases vary: those shown are for 'sex before marriage'.

Bases exclude those who answered 'depends' or 'don't know'.

Table 7.4 Proportion considering particular sexual behaviours to be mostly or always wrong, by social class

Base: All (except those who had no job in last 10 years)

	Social class					
	I	II	IIINM	IIIM	IV	V
	%	%	%	%	%	%
Men						
Sex before marriage	8.8	4.6	4.8	3.3	4.1	6.3
Sex outside marriage	85.5	81.5	85.2	84.4	84.3	87.0
Sex outside cohabiting relationship	81.1	76.2	76.8	77.8	78.1	79.0
Sex outside non-cohabiting regular relationship	73.2	67.8	70.3	71.9	70.8	71.8
One-night stands	37.1	33.3	32.0	38.4	32.7	38.3
Women						
Sex before marriage	2.7	4.1	3.8	3.9	5.7	4.5
Sex outside marriage	86.2	87.1	88.3	87.3	88.8	90.5
Sex outside cohabiting relationship	84.1	85.6	85.4	86.0	86.2	85.1
Sex outside non-cohabiting regular relationship	77.8	79.6	80.9	82.1	81.6	82.7
One-night stands	40.4	50.3	52.1	53.2	57.0	59.3
<i>Bases (weighted)</i>						
<i>Men</i>	380	1476	669	1543	739	244
<i>Women</i>	154	1254	1760	388	845	214
<i>Bases (unweighted)</i>						
<i>Men</i>	323	1278	581	1216	617	207
<i>Women</i>	202	1552	2023	445	965	247

Bases vary: those shown are for 'sex before marriage'.

Bases exclude those who answered 'depends' or 'don't know'.

Table 7.5 Proportion considering particular sexual behaviours to be mostly or always wrong, by religion

Base: All

	Religion						
	None	Church of England	Roman Catholic	Other Christian	Muslim	Hindu	Other non Christian
Men	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
Sex before marriage	1.7	2.5	3.6	16.7	53.0	[30.9]	5.8
Sex outside marriage	82.6	85.1	87.1	90.0	91.9	[90.6]	79.7
Sex outside cohabiting relationship	76.6	76.2	77.5	80.9	80.7	[77.2]	71.0
Sex outside non-cohabiting regular relationship	69.4	69.8	68.9	75.5	80.6	[68.3]	68.6
One-night stands	29.7	38.0	37.4	48.5	67.9	[70.7]	32.3
Women							
Sex before marriage	1.8	2.7	2.5	14.7	54.0	[26.7]	10.7
Sex outside marriage	87.2	89.3	89.0	92.5	94.1	[88.8]	86.3
Sex outside cohabiting relationship	84.3	87.0	85.9	89.3	88.9	[87.5]	79.3
Sex outside non-cohabiting regular relationship	79.7	81.3	82.1	84.6	88.3	[77.1]	79.3
One-night stands	48.2	56.7	55.2	61.5	82.8	[68.8]	56.7
<i>Bases (weighted)</i>							
<i>Men</i>	3376	907	457	628	116	48	77
<i>Women</i>	2719	1200	541	705	121	50	74
<i>Bases (unweighted)</i>							
<i>Men</i>	3271	880	440	614	115	46	77
<i>Women</i>	2621	1175	525	682	122	46	75

Bases vary: those shown are for 'sex before marriage'.

Bases exclude those who answered 'depends' or 'don't know'.

Table 7.6 Proportion considering particular sexual behaviours to be mostly or always wrong, by region

Base: All

	Region										
	North East	North West and Mersey-side	Yorkshire and Humber	East Midlands	West Midlands	South West	Eastern	London	South East	Wales	Scotland
Men	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
Sex before marriage	4.6	3.9	4.7	5.3	6.1	5.4	2.2	8.6	5.5	3.1	3.1
Sex outside marriage	82.3	82.1	82.2	88.3	84.0	84.2	86.0	81.7	87.4	84.0	86.5
Sex outside cohabiting relationship	76.5	74.9	74.9	77.4	75.6	77.7	77.0	75.8	77.5	81.6	82.4
Sex outside non-cohabiting regular relationship	70.8	68.8	69.1	74.3	67.9	68.6	70.6	70.0	70.7	72.7	72.8
One-night stands	36.7	43.6	31.9	33.4	31.6	32.8	29.5	36.4	32.9	39.4	37.2
Women											
Sex before marriage	5.1	4.8	4.6	4.7	6.9	4.1	3.6	8.7	5.5	5.0	2.9
Sex outside marriage	90.9	89.1	87.4	88.0	89.5	90.8	86.7	87.4	88.1	90.8	89.6
Sex outside cohabiting relationship	86.4	85.2	85.8	85.5	85.5	88.6	83.6	83.9	85.3	88.7	88.2
Sex outside non-cohabiting regular relationship	82.1	80.3	83.8	81.3	82.2	80.2	76.7	80.7	81.5	81.3	82.8
One-night stands	59.4	56.2	55.7	58.6	55.8	50.2	49.6	51.1	49.5	58.7	54.2
<i>Bases (weighted)</i>											
<i>Men</i>	246	658	488	399	514	446	515	801	790	259	501
<i>Women</i>	246	632	466	385	486	423	500	774	756	258	491
<i>Bases (unweighted)</i>											
<i>Men</i>	233	467	367	316	347	353	339	1145	567	199	364
<i>Women</i>	298	702	495	420	443	429	538	1503	737	271	477

Bases vary: those shown are for 'sex before marriage'.

Bases exclude those who answered 'depends' or 'don't know'.

Table 7.7 Proportions considering particular sexual behaviours to be mostly or always wrong, by smoking status

Base: All

	Men				Women			
	Smoking status				Smoking status			
	Never smoked	Ex-smoker	Smokes <15 per day	Smokes 15+ per day	Never smoked	Ex-smoker	Smokes <15 per day	Smokes 15+ per day
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
Sex before marriage	7.5	3.5	3.5	1.9	8.5	3.2	2.4	2.1
Sex outside marriage	85.1	85.6	85.5	80.7	89.4	88.9	89.0	85.9
Sex outside cohabiting relationship	76.6	77.8	79.2	76.0	86.2	85.2	86.0	84.5
Sex outside non-cohabiting regular relationship	70.8	69.2	71.5	69.2	81.8	79.0	81.5	80.6
One-night stands	38.8	32.5	28.3	34.4	58.2	50.1	46.2	53.8
<i>Bases (weighted)</i>	<i>2633</i>	<i>848</i>	<i>1066</i>	<i>1060</i>	<i>2512</i>	<i>889</i>	<i>1150</i>	<i>867</i>
<i>Bases (unweighted)</i>	<i>2183</i>	<i>696</i>	<i>948</i>	<i>860</i>	<i>2891</i>	<i>1018</i>	<i>1363</i>	<i>1041</i>

Bases vary: those shown are for 'sex before marriage'.

Bases exclude those who answered 'depends' or 'don't know'.

Table 7.8 Proportions considering particular sexual behaviours to be mostly or always wrong, by usual weekly alcohol consumption

Base: All

	Men				Women			
	Usual weekly alcohol consumption				Usual weekly alcohol consumption			
	None, never drinks alcohol	20 or less units	21 to 49 units	50+ units	None, never drinks alcohol	15 or less units	16 to 34 units	35+ units
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
Sex before marriage	17.9	3.8	1.6	2.6	14.0	3.3	0.3	1.3
Sex outside marriage	87.0	84.5	83.6	75.9	90.6	88.6	81.3	79.1
Sex outside cohabiting relationship	77.3	77.3	76.6	71.5	86.2	86.0	80.6	76.7
Sex outside non-cohabiting regular relationship	73.1	70.3	68.6	67.9	80.2	81.7	76.9	69.3
One-night stands	53.7	33.9	25.6	29.4	69.9	49.9	42.4	44.9
<i>Bases (weighted)</i>	<i>620</i>	<i>4188</i>	<i>655</i>	<i>146</i>	<i>1069</i>	<i>4090</i>	<i>183</i>	<i>73</i>
<i>Bases (unweighted)</i>	<i>529</i>	<i>3484</i>	<i>539</i>	<i>137</i>	<i>1270</i>	<i>4733</i>	<i>224</i>	<i>82</i>

Bases vary: those shown are for 'sex before marriage'.

Bases exclude those who answered 'depends' or 'don't know'.

Table 8.1 Ideal relationship now, by age

Base: All

	Age					Natsal II total	Natsal I total*
	16-17	18-19	20-24	25-34	35-44		
Men	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
Prefer to have no sex activity	7.9	1.6	0.8	1.3	1.1	1.6	3.0
No regular partners but casual partners when I feel like it	18.3	19.4	12.3	4.4	2.3	6.5	5.2
A few regular partners	18.7	11.0	11.1	2.8	1.7	5.1	5.7
One regular partner but not living together	43.9	47.5	41.7	16.4	9.5	21.1	21.3
Not married, but living with a partner and with some sex activity outside the partnership	3.3	2.1	3.4	3.8	2.0	2.9	3.0
Not married, but living with a partner, and no other sex partners	5.5	11.3	20.1	23.6	13.5	17.6	10.0
Married, with some sex activity outside the marriage	-	1.2	0.8	4.0	7.2	4.3	4.6
Married, with no other sex partners	2.3	5.7	9.9	43.7	62.7	40.9	47.1
Women							
Prefer to have no sex activity	15.0	7.5	4.0	2.0	3.3	3.8	5.4
No regular partners but casual partners when I feel like it	11.3	7.4	3.0	0.9	1.1	2.3	4.4
A few regular partners	9.1	6.8	2.7	0.9	0.4	1.8	1.4
One regular partner but not living together	49.3	51.6	37.1	14.9	13.4	21.7	17.9
Not married, but living with a partner and with some sex activity outside the partnership	1.5	2.0	1.5	1.2	1.3	1.3	1.2
Not married, but living with a partner, and no other sex partners	8.9	18.5	29.4	24.1	11.5	19.0	14.4
Married, with some sex activity outside the marriage	0.3		0.4	1.6	2.1	1.5	1.3
Married, with no other sex partners	4.6	6.2	21.8	54.3	66.8	48.5	54.3
<i>Bases (weighted)</i>							
<i>Men</i>	355	303	821	2101	2011	5591	1715
<i>Women</i>	326	308	772	2024	1972	5401	1591
<i>Bases (unweighted)</i>							
<i>Men</i>	287	268	645	1763	1711	4674	1471
<i>Women</i>	297	293	811	2495	2394	6290	1822

*Based on Natsal I respondents aged 16-44, weighted to be comparable with Natsal II.

Table 8.2 Ideal relationship now, by marital status*

Base: All

	Men				Women			
	Marital status				Marital status			
	Married	Cohab- iting: opposite sex partner	Divorced, separated, widowed	Single	Married	Cohab- iting: opposite sex partner	Divorced, separated, widowed	Single
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
Prefer to have no sex activity	0.4	0.3	1.3	3.4	1.4	0.7	6.7	8.7
No regular partners but casual partners when I feel like it	0.5	1.0	8.4	14.8	0.3	0.6	2.3	6.3
A few regular partners	0.4	1.8	5.3	11.3	0.2	0.5	1.1	5.3
One regular partner but not living together	0.9	2.3	43.4	47.3	1.4	4.2	55.2	54.7
Not married, but living with a partner and with some sex activity outside the partnership	0.5	7.8	1.3	3.2	0.4	4.0	1.1	1.3
Not married, but living with a partner, and no other sex partners	0.6	68.8	18.6	13.7	0.4	71.0	15.9	15.7
Married, with some sex activity outside the marriage	9.3	1.9	3.0	0.3	2.9	0.3	0.8	0.2
Married, with no other sex partners	87.4	16.2	18.7	6.0	93.0	18.8	17.0	7.8
<i>Bases (weighted)</i>	2244	892	245	2179	2405	968	413	1592
<i>Bases (unweighted)</i>	1552	616	318	2152	2481	977	702	2101

*Due to small base, respondents with a same-sex cohabiting partner are excluded from the table.

Table 8.3 Ideal relationship now, by education level

Base: Aged 18 or over

	Men			Women		
	Education level			Education level		
	A level or above	GCSE/ O level/ CSE	Other/ none	A level or above	GCSE/ O level/ CSE	Other/ none
	%	%	%	%	%	%
Prefer to have no sex activity	1.4	0.6	2.2	2.4	3.0	4.7
No regular partners but casual partners when I feel like it	5.2	6.4	4.9	1.3	1.8	2.2
A few regular partners	4.5	4.5	2.6	1.8	1.2	0.9
One regular partner but not living together	22.5	19.2	13.8	22.0	17.8	21.5
Not married, but living with a partner and with some sex activity outside the partnership	2.7	3.0	3.1	1.2	1.4	1.3
Not married, but living with a partner, and no other sex partners	18.7	18.5	17.7	20.8	19.4	18.1
Married, with some sex activity outside the marriage	3.9	4.7	5.8	1.7	1.5	1.4
Married, with no other sex partners	41.1	43.0	49.9	48.8	53.9	49.7
<i>Bases (weighted)</i>	1995	2304	931	1805	2378	879
<i>Bases (unweighted)</i>	1748	1842	792	2176	2703	1099

Table 8.4 Ideal relationship now, by social class

Base: All (except those who had no job in last 10 years)

	Social class					
	I	II	IIINM	IIIM	IV	V
Men	%	%	%	%	%	%
Prefer to have no sex activity	1.0	0.8	2.1	0.7	1.4	1.4
No regular partners but casual partners when I feel like it	2.2	2.3	9.0	5.5	9.3	8.9
A few regular partners	1.4	2.7	5.8	4.4	5.6	7.7
One regular partner but not living together	17.1	13.3	26.8	18.8	27.9	17.7
Not married, but living with a partner and with some sex activity outside the partnership	2.4	2.8	3.4	3.2	2.4	3.9
Not married, but living with a partner, and no other sex partners	17.4	20.5	17.2	17.6	17.1	21.9
Married, with some sex activity outside the marriage	4.1	5.0	3.9	4.7	4.2	5.8
Married, with no other sex partners	54.4	52.8	31.7	45.2	32.1	32.6
Women						
Prefer to have no sex activity	1.0	1.2	3.0	3.0	4.2	2.1
No regular partners but casual partners when I feel like it	0.6	1.0	1.5	2.1	2.5	1.4
A few regular partners	0.2	0.8	1.4	1.4	2.3	0.2
One regular partner but not living together	14.5	16.3	20.7	24.6	20.8	20.6
Not married, but living with a partner and with some sex activity outside the partnership	2.7	1.1	0.9	2.1	1.8	1.7
Not married, but living with a partner, and no other sex partners	15.1	19.8	20.7	20.8	21.6	19.3
Married, with some sex activity outside the marriage	2.3	2.0	1.6	1.6	0.8	0.6
Married, with no other sex partners	63.6	57.8	50.2	44.4	46.0	54.0
<i>Bases (weighted)</i>						
<i>Men</i>	381	1478	667	1537	733	246
<i>Women</i>	155	1259	1757	393	846	215
<i>Bases (unweighted)</i>						
<i>Men</i>	323	1276	579	1209	614	211
<i>Women</i>	203	1554	2016	451	964	249

Table 8.5 Ideal relationship now, by religion

Base: All

	Religion						
	None	Church of England	Roman Catholic	Other Christian	Muslim	Hindu	Other non Christian
Men	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
Prefer to have no sex activity	1.2	0.7	1.1	4.0	7.3	[11.0]	1.5
No regular partners but casual partners when I feel like it	7.2	3.5	6.0	7.6	7.0	[5.0]	6.2
A few regular partners	5.5	3.1	4.3	6.5	1.6	[3.1]	11.1
One regular partner but not living together	22.6	16.1	22.1	20.9	8.7	[16.5]	26.6
Not married, but living with a partner and with some sex activity outside the partnership	3.5	1.6	1.8	1.6	4.1	[5.1]	6.2
Not married, but living with a partner, and no other sex partners	20.9	15.5	13.5	10.4	2.6	[2.9]	12.9
Married, with some sex activity outside the marriage	3.8	4.3	5.0	5.0	9.5	[2.8]	7.6
Married, with no other sex partners	35.2	55.2	46.2	44.1	59.1	[53.5]	27.9
Women							
Prefer to have no sex activity	3.6	2.6	4.2	4.3	11.4	[5.3]	10.7
No regular partners but casual partners when I feel like it	3.0	1.1	1.4	2.0	2.2	[7.9]	-
A few regular partners	2.4	1.0	2.6	1.2	-	[-]	-
One regular partner but not living together	24.1	15.4	25.4	22.7	4.5	[27.0]	23.8
Not married, but living with a partner and with some sex activity outside the partnership	1.6	1.0	0.8	1.1	0.3	[2.2]	5.0
Not married, but living with a partner, and no other sex partners	23.7	15.3	16.8	12.3	4.0	[12.4]	21.4
Married, with some sex activity outside the marriage	1.8	1.3	1.2	1.1	1.4	[-]	1.0
Married, with no other sex partners	40.0	62.2	47.7	55.4	76.3	[45.2]	38.1
<i>Bases (weighted)</i>							
<i>Men</i>	3357	908	468	615	116	47	76
<i>Women</i>	2703	1204	540	706	119	48	73
<i>Bases (unweighted)</i>							
<i>Men</i>	2773	714	427	538	109	41	66
<i>Women</i>	3107	1386	663	838	138	48	100

Table 8.6 Ideal relationship now, by region

Base: All

	Region										
	North East	North West and Mersey-side	Yorkshire and Humber	East Midlands	West Midlands	South West	Eastern	London	South East	Wales	Scotland
Men	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
Prefer to have no sex activity	0.6	1.0	2.5	1.7	1.2	2.1	0.3	2.9	1.8	0.3	1.6
No regular partners but casual partners when I feel like it	5.4	7.6	8.0	7.3	9.5	6.1	4.6	6.9	3.9	6.8	6.0
A few regular partners	3.6	5.7	5.6	4.6	3.6	4.9	6.0	6.1	4.0	6.9	4.8
One regular partner but not living together	24.1	22.5	21.3	21.3	20.7	17.5	20.5	23.8	19.1	18.5	21.4
Not married, but living with a partner and with some sex activity outside the partnership	2.8	2.4	1.9	3.1	4.0	3.1	1.3	5.1	2.4	3.9	1.9
Not married, but living with a partner, and no other sex partners	19.2	17.2	15.8	18.3	14.1	17.4	19.7	18.3	19.1	18.6	16.7
Married, with some sex activity outside the marriage	2.6	4.5	4.1	3.0	5.8	5.2	5.6	4.9	3.3	1.9	4.2
Married, with no other sex partners	41.7	39.2	40.8	40.6	41.2	43.6	42.0	32.0	46.4	43.1	43.4
Women											
Prefer to have no sex activity	6.6	5.1	2.9	2.4	4.8	2.7	1.4	5.0	3.4	3.9	4.2
No regular partners but casual partners when I feel like it	2.0	2.1	1.7	2.4	5.7	1.7	1.9	1.6	2.0	2.3	2.3
A few regular partners	1.1	1.9	2.4	2.0	1.3	0.8	2.1	1.8	2.0	3.3	1.5
One regular partner but not living together	20.0	23.4	19.3	21.2	21.4	21.9	19.4	22.5	20.5	20.7	26.7
Not married, but living with a partner and with some sex activity outside the partnership	2.4	1.7	1.5	0.4	1.0	1.1	1.1	1.6	1.4	2.3	0.9
Not married, but living with a partner, and no other sex partners	20.4	17.5	20.9	19.8	15.7	16.8	21.3	20.8	18.4	20.5	18.2
Married, with some sex activity outside the marriage	2.1	1.1	1.2	1.6	1.3	1.5	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.9	1.2
Married, with no other sex partners	45.4	47.2	50.1	50.1	48.9	53.4	51.3	45.2	50.7	45.0	45.0
<i>Bases (weighted)</i>											
<i>Men</i>	244	660	488	402	512	441	513	796	782	254	499
<i>Women</i>	245	627	468	384	486	421	496	761	757	258	497
<i>Bases (unweighted)</i>											
<i>Men</i>	232	468	367	318	345	347	337	1140	563	196	361
<i>Women</i>	294	696	499	418	443	428	534	1487	739	270	482

Table 8.7 Ideal relationship in five years time, by age

Base: All

	Age					Natsal II total	Natsal I total*
	16-17	18-19	20-24	25-34	35-44		
Men	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
Prefer to have no sex activity	1.1	0.2	-	0.5	0.7	0.5	0.9
No regular partners but casual partners when I feel like it	2.2	2.4	1.0	0.8	0.7	1.0	2.0
A few regular partners	2.9	3.4	2.2	0.7	0.8	1.3	1.5
One regular partner but not living together	25.6	17.3	7.6	3.7	4.6	6.7	5.9
Not married, but living with a partner and with some sex activity outside the partnership	8.8	6.9	5.5	2.1	2.2	3.3	2.3
Not married, but living with a partner, and no other sex partners	29.3	33.0	35.3	19.1	12.1	20.4	15.0
Married, with some sex activity outside the marriage	1.0	4.9	1.9	3.7	6.4	4.3	5.6
Married, with no other sex partners	29.0	31.8	46.6	69.4	72.5	62.5	66.8
Women							
Prefer to have no sex activity	0.1	0.9	0.6	0.6	1.1	0.8	1.2
No regular partners but casual partners when I feel like it	0.8	-	0.4	0.3	0.8	0.5	0.3
A few regular partners	5.8	1.0	0.5	0.2	0.2	0.6	0.7
One regular partner but not living together	25.2	10.4	7.1	3.9	7.5	7.3	5.1
Not married, but living with a partner and with some sex activity outside the partnership	4.9	2.7	2.3	0.7	1.4	1.5	0.8
Not married, but living with a partner, and no other sex partners	32.5	35.3	24.6	16.8	11.4	18.0	13.9
Married, with some sex activity outside the marriage	2.2	1.5	1.6	2.2	2.0	2.0	1.4
Married, with no other sex partners	28.6	48.2	63.0	75.3	75.7	69.3	76.6
<i>Bases (weighted)</i>							
<i>Men</i>	361	303	810	2080	1979	5533	1661
<i>Women</i>	332	308	773	2012	1944	5368	1561
<i>Bases (unweighted)</i>							
<i>Men</i>	292	266	633	1742	1677	4610	1429
<i>Women</i>	302	294	810	2478	2348	6232	1783

*Based on Natsal I respondents aged 16-44, weighted to be comparable with Natsal II.

Table 8.8 Ideal relationship in five years time, by marital status*

Base: All

	Men			Women				
	Marital status			Marital status				
	Married	Cohabiting: opposite sex partner	Divorced, separated widowed	Single	Married	Cohabiting: opposite sex partner	Divorced, separated widowed	Single
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
Prefer to have no sex activity	0.5	0.3	0.8	0.7	0.5	0.4	1.6	1.2
No regular partners but casual partners when I feel like it	0.4	0.4	3.0	1.6	0.2	0.3	1.3	0.8
A few regular partners	0.3	0.7	1.4	2.4	0.2	0.1	0.7	1.6
One regular partner but not living together	1.0	1.5	16.6	13.8	1.7	1.6	25.3	14.7
Not married, but living with a partner and with some sex activity outside the partnership	0.6	4.3	2.5	5.4	0.3	2.3	1.0	2.9
Not married, but living with a partner, and no other sex partners	0.7	32.9	29.8	34.0	0.7	33.7	27.8	31.3
Married, with some sex activity outside the marriage	7.2	2.0	3.4	2.3	2.6	1.4	0.9	1.7
Married, with no other sex partners	89.4	57.9	42.5	39.7	93.9	60.0	41.6	45.7
<i>Bases (weighted)</i>	2225	871	232	2165	2381	966	404	1594
<i>Bases (unweighted)</i>	1540	608	302	2124	2455	974	685	2089

*Due to small base, respondents with a same-sex cohabiting partner are excluded from the table.

Table 8.9 Ideal relationship in five years time, by education level

Base: Aged 18 or over

	Men			Women			
	Education level			Education level			
	A level or above	GCSE/ O level/ CSE	Other/ none	A level or above	GCSE/ O level/ CSE	Other/ none	
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
Prefer to have no sex activity	0.3	0.3	1.3	0.7	0.6	1.5	1.5
No regular partners but casual partners when I feel like it	0.8	1.0	0.8	0.2	0.4	1.1	1.1
A few regular partners	1.5	0.9	1.1	0.2	0.3	0.5	0.5
One regular partner but not living together	5.6	4.9	6.2	4.7	5.4	11.1	11.1
Not married, but living with a partner and with some sex activity outside the partnership	2.8	3.1	2.8	1.2	1.4	1.4	1.4
Not married, but living with a partner, and no other sex partners	22.0	19.6	15.1	18.9	15.9	16.1	16.1
Married, with some sex activity outside the marriage	3.9	4.5	5.9	1.9	1.8	2.6	2.6
Married, with no other sex partners	63.0	65.7	66.8	72.2	74.1	65.6	65.6
<i>Bases (weighted)</i>	1981	2283	903	1797	2363	864	864
<i>Bases (unweighted)</i>	1733	1822	759	2164	2681	1071	1071

Table 8.10 Ideal relationship in five years time, by social class

Base: All (except those who had no job in last 10 years)

	Social class					
	I	II	IIINM	IIIM	IV	V
Men	%	%	%	%	%	%
Prefer to have no sex activity	-	0.3	0.5	0.5	0.9	0.9
No regular partners but casual partners when I feel like it	-	0.1	0.8	1.9	1.6	0.5
A few regular partners	0.1	0.9	1.0	0.9	1.3	2.2
One regular partner but not living together	4.1	3.5	6.9	5.1	8.3	6.2
Not married, but living with a partner and with some sex activity outside the partnership	2.6	2.6	4.1	2.7	3.2	4.5
Not married, but living with a partner, and no other sex partners	15.4	16.5	23.7	19.5	23.0	20.3
Married, with some sex activity outside the marriage	4.2	4.5	3.6	4.3	6.2	4.8
Married, with no other sex partners	73.5	71.7	59.3	65.1	55.5	60.6
Women						
Prefer to have no sex activity	0.4	0.4	0.7	1.0	0.7	1.0
No regular partners but casual partners when I feel like it	-	0.3	0.2	0.8	0.5	0.9
A few regular partners	-	0.3	0.2	0.1	0.3	0.2
One regular partner but not living together	3.2	4.6	5.0	8.1	8.2	10.0
Not married, but living with a partner and with some sex activity outside the partnership	0.9	1.2	1.2	1.6	1.5	2.5
Not married, but living with a partner, and no other sex partners	12.3	15.0	16.9	17.1	21.0	15.7
Married, with some sex activity outside the marriage	3.0	2.0	1.9	2.9	1.6	1.8
Married, with no other sex partners	80.3	76.3	73.9	68.4	66.1	68.0
<i>Bases (weighted)</i>						
<i>Men</i>	381	1469	652	1517	721	240
<i>Women</i>	153	1254	1745	387	838	212
<i>Bases (unweighted)</i>						
<i>Men</i>	322	1268	565	1188	601	204
<i>Women</i>	200	1546	1996	443	952	246

Table 8.11 Ideal relationship in five years time, by religion

Base: All

	Religion						
	None	Church of England	Roman Catholic	Other Christian	Muslim	Hindu	Other non Christian
Men	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
Prefer to have no sex activity	0.4	0.3	0.5	1.6	2.4	[-]	-
No regular partners but casual partners when I feel like it	1.1	0.5	0.9	0.4	1.7	[4.3]	2.5
A few regular partners	1.6	0.8	0.5	0.5	-	[0.7]	4.4
One regular partner but not living together	6.6	4.6	8.7	9.6	5.2	[2.9]	6.2
Not married, but living with a partner and with some sex activity outside the partnership	4.1	2.1	2.0	2.7	1.0	[3.9]	0.3
Not married, but living with a partner, and no other sex partners	24.5	13.1	15.9	17.4	5.5	[5.5]	13.4
Married, with some sex activity outside the marriage	4.2	4.1	5.4	2.9	8.8	[4.1]	4.7
Married, with no other sex partners	57.4	74.4	66.1	65.0	75.5	[78.6]	68.6
Women							
Prefer to have no sex activity	0.7	0.5	0.6	0.7	5.5	[-]	2.5
No regular partners but casual partners when I feel like it	0.6	0.5	0.4	0.1	-	[-]	-
A few regular partners	0.9	0.5	0.2	0.3	-	[-]	1.1
One regular partner but not living together	8.6	5.2	8.0	5.7	2.3	[6.7]	12.4
Not married, but living with a partner and with some sex activity outside the partnership	1.7	1.3	1.0	1.8	1.1	[2.1]	1.9
Not married, but living with a partner, and no other sex partners	23.1	11.8	16.3	13.6	1.2	[9.3]	18.5
Married, with some sex activity outside the marriage	2.3	1.8	1.4	1.8	3.0	[-]	1.3
Married, with no other sex partners	62.1	78.4	72.1	76.2	86.9	[81.9]	62.3
<i>Bases (weighted)</i>							
<i>Men</i>	3305	902	462	620	118	49	76
<i>Women</i>	2680	1203	537	699	123	48	72
<i>Bases (unweighted)</i>							
<i>Men</i>	2719	709	421	537	111	43	66
<i>Women</i>	3068	1384	655	827	143	48	98

Table 8.12 Ideal relationship in five years time, by region

Base: All

	Region										
	North East	North West and Mersey-side	Yorkshire and Humber	East Midlands	West Midlands	South West	Eastern	London	South East	Wales	Scotland
Men	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
Prefer to have no sex activity	0.3	1.0	1.4	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.6	0.4	-	0.8
No regular partners but casual partners when I feel like it	0.4	2.4	0.6	1.2	0.6	1.2	1.2	1.3	0.4	0.3	0.3
A few regular partners	0.9	1.3	1.5	0.6	1.0	0.9	1.4	1.8	1.0	1.7	1.6
One regular partner but not living together	4.3	8.1	9.9	4.7	6.0	6.9	5.9	7.8	6.3	7.1	4.9
Not married, but living with a partner and with some sex activity outside the partnership	3.4	2.1	2.6	4.1	4.5	4.2	1.4	5.0	2.1	3.3	4.3
Not married, but living with a partner, and no other sex partners	22.2	21.4	22.5	22.0	16.9	13.6	26.5	19.5	17.5	19.6	24.5
Married, with some sex activity outside the marriage	3.0	5.2	3.4	3.0	4.4	5.0	4.3	5.3	3.5	3.7	4.4
Married, with no other sex partners	65.5	58.6	58.1	64.1	66.2	68.0	59.1	58.6	68.8	64.3	59.1
Women											
Prefer to have no sex activity	0.9	0.9	1.0	0.1	0.7	0.7	0.8	1.1	1.1	-	0.5
No regular partners but casual partners when I feel like it	0.2	0.8	0.3	0.6	0.4	0.7	0.2	0.4	0.3	0.8	0.6
A few regular partners	0.8	1.7	1.0	-	1.0	0.3	0.2	0.6	0.2	1.4	-
One regular partner but not living together	9.3	8.1	6.6	5.8	10.2	6.5	5.1	7.2	5.5	7.5	10.7
Not married, but living with a partner and with some sex activity outside the partnership	1.6	1.2	1.2	1.1	1.0	1.8	2.0	1.8	1.8	1.3	1.7
Not married, but living with a partner, and no other sex partners	18.9	18.2	17.4	17.3	16.3	17.1	18.0	18.2	18.2	16.0	21.1
Married, with some sex activity outside the marriage	1.9	0.7	1.0	1.8	2.2	2.7	2.8	2.1	2.4	2.3	2.2
Married, with no other sex partners	66.5	68.3	71.5	73.4	68.3	70.3	70.9	68.5	70.5	70.8	63.2
<i>Bases (weighted)</i>											
<i>Men</i>	245	644	484	392	509	436	511	788	778	252	494
<i>Women</i>	241	622	468	379	483	421	496	757	755	256	490
<i>Bases (unweighted)</i>											
<i>Men</i>	231	455	362	310	344	344	336	1122	557	191	358
<i>Women</i>	290	688	496	413	438	428	533	1468	735	267	476

Table 9.1 Proportion considering sex between two adult men, sex between two adult women, or abortion, to be mostly or always wrong, by age

Base: All

	Age					Natsal II total	Natsal I total*
	16-17	18-19	20-24	25-34	35-44		
Men	%	%	%	%	%	%	
Sex between two men	53.7	48.0	43.1	46.0	52.4	48.5	67.2
Sex between two women	47.2	32.9	29.8	35.2	43.6	38.0	61.5
Abortion	41.4	40.1	32.6	32.4	34.6	34.3	34.2
Women							
Sex between two men	19.8	21.3	21.1	25.2	35.1	27.6	53.7
Sex between two women	20.0	21.7	20.7	25.3	34.9	27.5	54.6
Abortion	33.7	35.0	28.8	29.6	30.7	30.5	37.4
<i>Bases (weighted)</i>							
Men	361	305	805	2048	1942	5461	6616
Women	332	310	761	1938	1851	5191	6324
<i>Bases (unweighted)</i>							
Men	291	271	634	1724	1656	4576	5701
Women	303	296	799	2396	2266	6060	7201

*Based on Natsal I respondents aged 16-44, weighted to be comparable with Natsal II.

Bases vary: those shown are for 'sex between two men'.

Table 9.2 Proportion considering sex between two adult men, sex between two adult women, or abortion, to be mostly or always wrong, by marital status*

Base: All

	Men				Women			
	Marital status				Marital status			
	Married	Cohabiting: opposite sex partner	Divorced, separated, widowed	Single	Married	Cohabiting: opposite sex partner	Divorced, separated, widowed	Single
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
Sex between two men	53.6	44.2	53.7	45.4	33.3	22.6	30.6	22.0
Sex between two women	45.2	34.7	41.6	32.5	33.2	22.2	30.3	22.0
Abortion	35.7	31.8	36.1	33.9	33.1	26.7	32.6	28.4
<i>Bases (weighted)</i>								
	2163	866	237	2149	2261	930	391	1585
<i>Bases (unweighted)</i>								
	1503	607	308	2117	2339	936	667	2088

*Due to small base, respondents with a same-sex cohabiting partner are excluded from the table.

Bases vary: those shown are for 'sex between two men'.

Table 9.3 Proportion considering sex between two adult men, sex between two adult women, or abortion, to be mostly or always wrong, by education level

Base: Aged 18 or over

	Men			Women		
	Education level			Education level		
	A level or above	GCSE/ O level/ CSE	Other/ none	A level or above	GCSE/ O level/ CSE	Other/ none
	%	%	%	%	%	%
Sex between two men	33.6	52.9	67.6	18.7	29.0	45.2
Sex between two women	26.7	40.1	54.0	18.1	29.2	45.1
Abortion	25.8	35.0	48.4	22.7	30.6	45.7
<i>Bases (weighted)</i>	1961	2241	892	1754	2261	832
<i>Bases (unweighted)</i>	1717	1799	763	2113	2576	1053

Bases vary: those shown are for 'sex between two men'.

Table 9.4 Proportion considering sex between two adult men, sex between two adult women, or abortion, to be mostly or always wrong, by social class

Base: All (except those who had no job in last 10 years)

	Social class					
	I	II	IIINM	IIIM	IV	V
Men	%	%	%	%	%	%
Sex between two men	34.7	35.7	40.1	61.6	55.1	65.8
Sex between two women	28.9	29.1	30.5	46.8	41.0	54.8
Abortion	31.6	25.7	30.9	36.3	45.1	53.6
Women						
Sex between two men	13.9	20.6	26.7	27.3	34.0	38.7
Sex between two women	14.1	19.8	26.8	27.8	34.2	38.9
Abortion	16.5	23.3	27.8	29.5	36.6	42.9
<i>Bases (weighted)</i>						
<i>Men</i>	378	1442	653	1489	716	228
<i>Women</i>	150	1213	1676	371	808	200
<i>Bases (unweighted)</i>						
<i>Men</i>	320	1250	565	1181	595	196
<i>Women</i>	197	1508	1926	426	923	237

Bases vary: those shown are for 'sex between two men'.

Table 9.5 Proportion considering sex between two adult men, sex between two adult women, or abortion, to be mostly or always wrong, by religion

Base: All

	Religion						
	None	Church of England	Roman Catholic	Other Christian	Muslim	Hindu	Other non Christian
Men	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
Sex between two men	44.2	49.3	48.8	61.9	83.6	[73.0]	37.6
Sex between two women	32.6	39.7	37.0	54.0	84.5	[68.1]	34.3
Abortion	29.7	30.0	51.6	44.8	64.8	[62.7]	21.1
Women							
Sex between two men	23.3	24.6	28.0	39.2	77.2	[33.6]	31.6
Sex between two women	23.4	24.3	28.0	38.3	78.6	[33.6]	30.6
Abortion	25.7	25.4	44.2	37.6	65.9	[50.5]	40.9
<i>Bases (weighted)</i>							
Men	3270	880	447	614	118	49	77
Women	2606	1155	513	665	122	49	75
<i>Bases (unweighted)</i>							
Men	2707	692	411	537	110	44	68
Women	2999	1330	634	797	140	49	101

Bases vary: those shown are for 'sex between two men'.

Table 9.6 Proportion considering sex between two adult men, sex between two adult women, or abortion, to be mostly or always wrong, by region

Base: All

	Region										
	North East	North West and Mersey-side	Yorkshire and Humber	East Midlands	West Midlands	South West	Eastern	London	South East	Wales	Scotland
Men	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
Sex between two men	54.5	49.2	47.1	55.6	53.8	47.3	42.7	45.0	42.3	49.0	57.1
Sex between two women	43.3	36.5	35.4	39.4	43.3	37.4	32.4	36.8	32.5	40.0	49.9
Abortion	39.9	38.1	32.8	34.9	34.9	32.1	29.5	32.1	30.7	37.9	41.2
Women											
Sex between two men	32.2	28.2	27.5	20.3	30.5	23.7	23.8	31.5	23.6	35.1	30.8
Sex between two women	33.4	27.8	26.7	20.1	30.3	23.3	24.3	31.1	23.5	36.0	30.7
Abortion	36.8	34.4	28.9	27.7	26.3	31.6	26.8	28.3	29.0	33.2	37.2
<i>Bases (weighted)</i>											
Men	241	639	479	391	505	437	487	791	775	247	471
Women	236	594	444	368	473	409	483	757	731	238	459
<i>Bases (unweighted)</i>											
Men	227	453	358	308	341	345	324	1130	557	190	343
Women	287	662	474	400	428	417	519	1465	710	250	448

Bases vary: those shown are for 'sex between two men'.

Table 10.1 Self-perceived risk of HIV infection given current lifestyle, by age

Base: All

	Age					Natsal II total	Natsal I total*
	16-17	18-19	20-24	25-34	35-44		
Men	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
Greatly/quite a lot at risk of HIV infection	9.1	12.6	7.0	4.9	2.0	4.9	2.9
Not very much at risk	38.9	49.7	47.1	32.4	23.5	32.7	28.3
Not at all at risk	52.0	37.6	45.9	62.7	74.5	62.4	68.8
Women							
Greatly/quite a lot at risk of HIV infection	5.0	4.9	5.4	1.8	2.4	2.9	2.1
Not very much at risk	32.5	38.3	35.5	26.6	19.4	26.3	22.3
Not at all at risk	62.4	56.8	59.1	71.6	78.2	70.8	75.6
<i>Bases (weighted)</i>							
Men	370	311	822	2122	2021	5646	6905
Women	336	314	779	2037	1974	5439	6771
<i>Bases (unweighted)</i>							
Men	300	275	646	1785	1720	4726	5956
Women	309	299	819	2515	2407	6349	7716

*Based on Natsal I respondents aged 16-44, weighted to be comparable with Natsal II.

Bases exclude those who answered 'depends' or 'don't know'.

Table 10.2 Self-perceived risk of HIV infection given current lifestyle, by marital status*

Base: All

	Men				Women			
	Marital status				Marital status			
	Married	Cohabiting: opposite sex partner	Divorced, separated, widowed	Single	Married	Cohabiting: opposite sex partner	Divorced, separated, widowed	Single
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
Greatly/quite a lot at risk of HIV infection	1.3	2.3	7.4	9.2	0.8	1.9	6.6	5.8
Not very much at risk	18.0	27.5	47.8	48.0	14.5	29.3	33.2	40.4
Not at all at risk	80.7	70.3	44.8	42.8	84.8	68.8	60.2	53.8
<i>Bases (weighted)</i>								
	2253	889	247	2212	2409	971	415	1623
<i>Bases (unweighted)</i>								
	1558	623	322	2183	2489	980	710	2141

* Due to small base, respondents with a same-sex cohabiting partner are excluded from the table.

Bases exclude those who answered 'depends' or 'don't know'.

Table 10.3 Self-perceived risk of HIV infection given current lifestyle, by education level

Base: Aged 18 or over

	Men			Women		
	Education level			Education level		
	A level or above	GCSE/ O level/ CSE	Other/ none	A level or above	GCSE/ O level/ CSE	Other/ none
	%	%	%	%	%	%
Greatly/quite a lot at risk of HIV infection	3.5	4.8	6.4	1.9	2.5	5.3
Not very much at risk	38.4	31.0	22.2	33.0	23.2	18.7
Not at all at risk	58.2	64.2	71.3	65.1	74.2	76.1
<i>Bases (weighted)</i>	2008	2329	934	1814	2393	885
<i>Bases (unweighted)</i>	1762	1865	794	2190	2726	1111

Bases exclude those who answered 'depends' or 'don't know'.

Table 10.4 Self-perceived risk of HIV infection given current lifestyle, by social class

Base: All (except those who had no job in last 10 years)

	Social class					
	I	II	IIINM	IIIM	IV	V
Men	%	%	%	%	%	%
Greatly/quite a lot at risk of HIV infection	3.2	3.0	4.1	5.1	7.5	8.4
Not very much at risk	30.5	32.5	36.9	29.5	31.8	31.7
Not at all at risk	66.3	64.5	58.9	65.5	60.6	59.9
Women						
Greatly/quite a lot at risk of HIV infection	0.4	1.6	1.9	3.9	4.4	3.0
Not very much at risk	30.6	31.5	25.5	27.8	23.2	19.0
Not at all at risk	69.0	66.8	72.6	68.3	72.4	78.0
<i>Bases (weighted)</i>						
<i>Men</i>	383	1485	676	1546	744	245
<i>Women</i>	156	1267	1768	388	849	215
<i>Bases (unweighted)</i>						
<i>Men</i>	324	1285	587	1221	622	209
<i>Women</i>	204	1567	2031	448	971	251

Bases exclude those who answered 'depends' or 'don't know'.

Table 10.5 Self-perceived risk of HIV infection given current lifestyle, by religion

Base: All

	Religion						
	None	Church of England	Roman Catholic	Other Christian	Muslim	Hindu	Other non Christian
Men	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
Greatly/quite a lot at risk of HIV infection	5.3	2.9	4.6	5.0	5.6	[5.0]	8.8
Not very much at risk	33.9	28.9	33.6	32.0	21.3	[24.6]	45.0
Not at all at risk	60.8	68.2	61.8	63.0	73.1	[70.4]	46.1
Women							
Greatly/quite a lot at risk of HIV infection	3.3	1.9	2.2	3.4	2.0	2.1	7.9
Not very much at risk	30.4	21.1	24.6	22.5	12.7	25.8	29.6
Not at all at risk	66.3	77.0	73.1	74.1	85.4	72.1	62.5
<i>Bases (weighted)</i>							
<i>Men</i>	3388	910	466	630	119	49	78
<i>Women</i>	2721	1209	543	711	123	50	76
<i>Bases (unweighted)</i>							
<i>Men</i>	2803	717	427	549	111	44	69
<i>Women</i>	3133	1394	670	847	142	50	103

Bases exclude those who answered 'depends' or 'don't know'.

Table 10.6 Self-perceived risk of HIV infection given current lifestyle, by region

Base: All

	Region										
	North East	North West and Mersey-side	Yorkshire and Humber	East Midlands	West Midlands	South West	Eastern	London	South East	Wales	Scotland
Men	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
Greatly/quite a lot at risk of HIV infection	7.2	5.7	4.5	6.1	5.2	7.0	3.0	5.9	2.1	4.9	4.2
Not very much at risk	30.6	35.3	29.9	29.6	36.5	29.6	35.6	37.5	33.0	24.1	27.9
Not at all at risk	62.2	59.0	65.6	64.3	58.3	63.4	61.4	56.6	64.9	71.0	67.8
Women											
Greatly/quite a lot at risk of HIV infection	1.3	2.7	3.1	3.8	3.6	2.2	3.3	3.7	2.7	2.5	2.3
Not very much at risk	23.3	21.7	26.1	26.7	27.1	24.3	29.6	29.9	28.3	23.7	23.9
Not at all at risk	75.5	75.7	70.8	69.5	69.3	73.5	67.1	66.4	69.0	73.8	73.8
<i>Bases (weighted)</i>											
<i>Men</i>	247	661	492	403	514	447	515	810	792	261	504
<i>Women</i>	248	638	468	385	484	422	502	774	764	257	498
<i>Bases (unweighted)</i>											
<i>Men</i>	234	469	370	319	347	354	339	1158	570	200	366
<i>Women</i>	300	708	498	420	444	429	540	1509	746	270	485

Bases exclude those who answered 'depends' or 'don't know'.

Table 10.7 Self-perceived risk of HIV infection given current lifestyle, by smoking status

Base: All

	Men				Women			
	Smoking status				Smoking status			
	Never smoked	Ex-smoker	Smokes < 15 per day	Smokes 15+ per day	Never smoked	Ex-smoker	Smokes < 15 per day	Smokes 15+ per day
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
Greatly/quite a lot at risk of HIV infection	3.7	4.4	8.0	4.9	2.2	1.5	5.0	3.7
Not very much at risk	32.2	30.2	40.5	27.9	24.7	25.9	31.7	24.2
Not at all at risk	64.0	65.4	51.5	67.2	73.1	72.5	63.2	72.1
<i>Bases (weighted)</i>	<i>2648</i>	<i>854</i>	<i>1066</i>	<i>1066</i>	<i>2529</i>	<i>892</i>	<i>1149</i>	<i>870</i>
<i>Bases (unweighted)</i>	<i>2202</i>	<i>700</i>	<i>950</i>	<i>864</i>	<i>2911</i>	<i>1023</i>	<i>1368</i>	<i>1047</i>

Bases exclude those who answered 'depends' or 'don't know'.

Table 10.8 Self-perceived risk of HIV infection given current lifestyle, by usual weekly alcohol consumption

Base: All

	Men				Women			
	Usual weekly alcohol consumption				Usual weekly alcohol consumption			
	None, never drinks alcohol	20 or less units	21 to 49 units	50+ units	None, never drinks alcohol	15 or less units	16 to 34 units	35+ units
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
Greatly/quite a lot at risk of HIV infection	4.3	4.4	6.9	10.7	3.4	2.5	6.0	12.4
Not very much at risk	19.8	33.7	39.3	32.5	15.9	28.6	32.9	34.9
Not at all at risk	75.9	61.9	53.8	56.8	80.7	68.9	61.1	52.7
<i>Bases (weighted)</i>	<i>629</i>	<i>4203</i>	<i>661</i>	<i>145</i>	<i>1082</i>	<i>4099</i>	<i>184</i>	<i>72</i>
<i>Bases (unweighted)</i>	<i>540</i>	<i>3496</i>	<i>546</i>	<i>136</i>	<i>1290</i>	<i>4750</i>	<i>224</i>	<i>81</i>

Bases exclude those who answered 'depends' or 'don't know'.

Table 11.1 Contraception used ever, in last year and usual method in last year, by sex

Base: All with heterosexual experience/at least one heterosexual partner in the last year

	Men			Women		
	Ever used	Used in last year	Usual method in last year	Ever used	Used in last year	Usual method in last year
	%	%	%	%	%	%
Mini pill	10.5	4.3	3.3	20.5	6.2	5.0
Combined pill	10.0	4.3	3.4	35.5	15.1	13.2
Pill – not sure which	67.3	30.0	23.0	44.9	17.4	15.4
Mirena	0.7	0.2	0.1	1.2	0.8	0.7
Coil/intrauterine device	14.7	3.9	3.2	15.4	5.2	4.6
Condom	90.2	51.3	37.8	86.4	39.2	24.8
Femidom	3.3	0.3	0.0	2.7	0.1	0.0
Cap/diaphragm	9.2	0.9	0.6	7.4	0.8	0.7
Gels/sprays/pessaries	5.3	0.6	0.3	5.0	0.6	0.2
Sponge	0.5	0.0	0.0	0.9	-	0.0
Persona	1.3	0.5	0.4	1.4	0.5	0.4
Rhythm method/safe period	12.0	2.8	0.9	10.3	2.6	1.4
Withdrawal	32.7	8.9	3.4	25.2	6.3	3.3
Injections	4.7	2.4	1.7	9.4	4.2	3.2
Implants	0.8	0.2	0.0	0.7	0.3	0.3
Emergency contraception	13.5	2.3	0.2	15.2	2.3	0.2
Female sterilisation	6.5	4.5	4.2	8.3	7.4	7.5
Vasectomy	8.7	8.7	8.5	10.5	9.5	9.4
Other method	0.4	0.1	0.1	0.3	0.2	0.2
None/no usual method	1.3	11.0	12.3	1.0	12.1	13.3
Abstinence	5.1	1.3	0.2	4.4	1.1	0.3
<i>Bases</i>						
<i>Weighted</i>	5239	4782	4656	5139	4725	4569
<i>Unweighted</i>	4368	3894	3788	6036	5430	5247

Column percentages add to more than 100% as more than one response was permitted.

Table 11.2 Contraception ever used, by age

Base: All with heterosexual experience

	Age					Natsal II total	Natsal I total*
	16-17	18-19	20-24	25-34	35-44		
Men	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
Pill	52.2	68.6	77.2	86.7	82.2	81.5	79.8
IUD	2.2	0.8	2.7	11.9	26.0	15.0	17.6
Condom	93.1	97.2	95.6	91.9	85.3	90.2	82.5
Female sterilisation	-	0.3	0.6	4.4	12.2	6.5	8.4
Vasectomy	-	-	0.2	3.2	19.7	8.7	9.7
Natural method	12.7	18.0	29.5	43.1	40.5	37.9	35.8
Injections	4.9	4.6	5.2	6.4	2.6	4.7	n.a.
Other method	12.5	16.7	25.7	27.8	25.8	25.7	15.7
None	1.8	0.9	0.7	1.1	1.8	1.3	2.9
Abstinence	5.3	1.6	5.5	5.7	4.8	5.1	6.5
Women							
Pill	62.3	78.9	86.1	90.4	89.0	87.7	85.1
IUD	0.7	1.5	3.9	13.9	26.7	16.3	19.0
Condom	90.7	95.1	93.4	88.2	80.3	86.4	74.1
Female sterilisation	-	-	-	5.5	16.2	8.3	9.7
Vasectomy	-	0.4	1.0	7.5	19.5	10.5	13.2
Natural method	9.4	18.8	23.1	36.4	30.4	30.4	24.9
Injections	10.4	9.3	14.8	11.0	5.6	9.4	n.a.
Other method	14.3	27.0	28.3	26.6	22.6	24.9	15.0
None	2.0	2.4	0.3	0.8	1.1	1.0	1.7
Abstinence	0.6	3.1	3.7	5.2	4.4	4.4	6.5
<i>Bases (weighted)</i>							
Men	189	247	764	2051	1987	5239	6318
Women	178	255	734	2019	1952	5139	6258
<i>Bases (unweighted)</i>							
Men	158	222	602	1711	1675	4368	5511
Women	155	245	775	2486	2375	6036	7251

*Based on Natsal I respondents aged 16-44, weighted to be comparable with Natsal II.

n.a. = not asked

Column percentages add to more than 100% as more than one response was permitted.

Table 11.3 Contraception ever used, by marital status*

Base: All with heterosexual experience

	Men				Women			
	Marital status				Marital status			
	Married	Cohabiting: opposite sex partner	Divorced, separated, widowed	Single	Married	Cohabiting: opposite sex partner	Divorced, separated, widowed	Single
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
Pill	86.0	87.8	83.8	73.0	89.7	92.0	92.0	79.8
IUD	20.2	17.9	28.4	5.5	20.4	14.4	31.3	5.6
Condom	87.4	91.2	88.3	93.7	83.8	87.7	82.7	91.1
Female sterilisation	8.7	6.7	19.4	1.9	11.7	6.2	15.7	1.5
Vasectomy	16.6	5.6	13.1	0.2	17.7	4.8	11.7	1.4
Natural method	41.1	43.8	45.7	29.9	31.5	34.0	34.3	24.9
Injections	4.1	6.7	4.3	4.5	6.9	11.1	13.1	11.7
Other method	23.7	28.7	30.6	26.0	21.7	28.4	27.7	27.3
None	0.9	0.6	1.8	2.0	1.1	0.6	0.6	1.2
Abstinence	4.8	6.5	8.3	4.3	4.6	4.2	5.8	3.8
<i>Bases (weighted)</i>	2247	886	247	1828	2399	973	416	1328
<i>Bases (unweighted)</i>	1553	620	321	1846	2479	981	710	1834

*Due to small base, respondents with a same sex cohabiting partner are excluded from the table.

Column percentages add to more than 100% as more than one response was permitted.

Table 11.4 Contraception ever used, by education level

Base: Aged 18 and over with heterosexual experience

	Men			Women		
	Education level			Education level		
	A level or above	GCSE/ O level/ CSE	Other/ none	A level or above	GCSE/ O level/ CSE	Other/ none
	%	%	%	%	%	%
Pill	84.5	84.8	73.3	87.4	91.3	84.5
IUD	14.1	16.0	17.4	11.7	18.3	23.0
Condom	93.6	91.7	79.1	92.2	86.3	74.1
Female sterilisation	3.8	6.7	12.4	3.8	9.4	16.0
Vasectomy	8.0	9.5	10.2	8.4	11.8	13.7
Natural method	45.2	36.2	31.9	36.8	30.1	23.1
Injections	3.1	6.3	3.9	5.7	10.8	12.8
Other method	34.6	24.1	14.2	36.9	20.7	14.4
None	0.8	0.7	3.7	0.6	0.9	1.8
Abstinence	7.4	4.1	2.9	6.8	3.6	2.7
<i>Bases (weighted)</i>	1874	2247	913	1747	2326	870
<i>Bases (unweighted)</i>	1632	1792	772	2118	2648	1093

Column percentages add to more than 100% as more than one response was permitted.

Table 11.5 Contraception ever used, by social class

Base: All with heterosexual experience (except those who had no job in the last 10 years)

	Social class					
	I	II	IIINM	IIIM	IV	V
Men	%	%	%	%	%	%
Pill	89.6	88.7	84.6	80.9	74.2	72.0
IUD	16.2	17.3	11.4	15.1	16.5	14.9
Condom	96.5	91.8	91.6	88.7	89.0	86.9
Female sterilisation	4.4	5.9	4.9	7.5	7.6	9.4
Vasectomy	8.2	12.4	5.5	9.2	7.7	2.7
Natural method	48.4	45.0	41.6	35.2	30.3	32.8
Injections	4.1	3.2	4.3	5.4	5.1	9.2
Other method	34.4	33.9	27.1	21.7	21.7	18.3
None	0.4	0.5	1.1	1.4	2.4	1.7
Abstinence	8.2	7.0	6.7	3.5	2.9	2.7
Women						
Pill	87.3	91.7	89.8	87.4	87.3	87.4
IUD	10.8	17.8	14.0	16.6	19.1	22.8
Condom	94.4	89.7	88.4	85.6	82.5	79.0
Female sterilisation	2.0	7.1	6.9	12.0	10.6	15.8
Vasectomy	8.3	11.3	10.8	14.7	10.1	11.5
Natural method	42.1	37.1	32.7	25.4	25.7	17.5
Injections	2.1	6.2	9.1	11.8	13.0	11.3
Other method	38.8	32.2	24.8	20.0	20.7	12.0
None	-	0.4	0.3	1.1	1.7	1.3
Abstinence	7.8	6.4	4.0	3.4	3.4	3.3
<i>Bases (weighted)</i>						
<i>Men</i>	365	1430	620	1523	692	229
<i>Women</i>	153	1252	1707	387	820	211
<i>Bases (unweighted)</i>						
<i>Men</i>	305	1228	533	1203	574	195
<i>Women</i>	198	1543	1966	443	937	243

Column percentages add to more than 100% as more than one response was permitted.

Table 11.6 Contraception ever used, by religion

Base: All with heterosexual experience

	Religion						
	None	Church of England	Roman Catholic	Other Christian	Muslim	Hindu	Other non Christian
Men	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
Pill	81.9	86.8	79.6	81.3	54.7	[48.0]	65.4
IUD	14.8	16.2	15.5	14.2	12.7	[20.8]	14.4
Condom	90.8	91.1	87.7	89.8	79.4	[79.5]	93.5
Female sterilisation	7.0	7.0	4.6	5.3	-	[3.9]	3.1
Vasectomy	8.1	11.7	9.2	9.1	0.7	[2.0]	7.7
Natural method	37.0	41.8	41.1	38.4	16.5	[20.1]	39.9
Injections	5.4	4.0	2.4	4.5	-	[-]	2.2
Other method	26.9	24.0	21.5	26.6	12.4	[24.9]	31.4
None	1.2	0.6	1.6	1.0	7.4	[5.2]	3.6
Abstinence	5.1	5.7	5.1	4.4	5.1	[5.1]	2.6
Women							
Pill	88.6	91.4	84.5	85.3	67.6	[75.1]	75.2
IUD	15.5	18.3	15.8	14.4	22.9	[17.0]	21.4
Condom	86.2	87.6	86.1	87.5	68.1	[80.0]	89.5
Female sterilisation	8.1	10.6	8.3	6.6	2.2	[2.3]	3.0
Vasectomy	9.5	15.5	7.8	10.1	-	[0.9]	9.3
Natural method	28.4	31.5	38.6	29.7	18.3	[37.2]	47.2
Injections	10.9	8.0	7.9	7.9	3.2	[9.1]	9.2
Other method	26.0	23.7	22.4	25.6	12.5	[14.1]	42.8
None	0.8	0.4	1.0	1.3	6.8	[4.5]	2.9
Abstinence	4.3	4.4	5.4	4.0	2.6	[2.5]	8.0
<i>Bases (weighted)</i>							
<i>Men</i>	3174	872	438	543	97	33	63
<i>Women</i>	2593	1167	513	653	89	41	67
<i>Bases (unweighted)</i>							
<i>Men</i>	2609	682	402	474	93	31	61
<i>Women</i>	3001	1349	638	778	112	46	96

Column percentages add to more than 100% as more than one response was permitted.

Table 11.7 Contraception ever used, by region

Base: All with heterosexual experience

	Region										
	North East	North West and Mersey-side	Yorkshire and Humber	East Midlands	West Midlands	South West	Eastern	London	South East	Wales	Scotland
Men	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
Pill	78.2	80.3	84.9	79.9	81.6	86.3	83.8	75.3	87.0	80.9	77.4
IUD	17.5	12.0	15.1	14.6	15.7	18.6	12.7	14.4	15.8	19.5	13.8
Condom	84.3	91.3	88.3	90.3	90.7	91.1	90.6	92.1	89.7	90.1	89.7
Female sterilisation	6.3	7.8	7.7	8.4	6.5	4.9	7.8	3.3	4.7	10.4	7.7
Vasectomy	10.0	10.0	10.3	6.8	8.7	12.5	8.7	3.4	8.6	9.6	11.4
Natural method	30.6	36.5	34.5	34.3	38.9	36.1	38.8	42.4	41.8	35.2	36.7
Injections	7.4	6.0	3.9	5.6	5.9	4.7	3.7	3.8	3.2	5.2	4.5
Other method	20.4	22.3	21.8	28.4	22.9	26.9	29.8	32.3	28.0	21.2	20.0
None	2.4	1.3	1.2	1.7	0.8	0.9	1.2	2.1	0.8	1.4	1.4
Abstinence	3.2	3.8	5.0	4.3	4.0	5.4	5.3	7.3	7.4	2.3	3.6
Women											
Pill	88.6	88.7	88.7	88.3	85.9	91.2	89.1	81.5	89.9	88.9	87.9
IUD	16.2	16.9	15.4	12.3	15.5	19.3	14.7	17.0	16.3	18.5	16.7
Condom	80.6	83.7	85.7	89.1	84.1	85.2	90.9	87.8	88.1	85.5	85.3
Female sterilisation	10.9	9.1	10.0	9.6	7.0	9.4	8.3	4.0	7.3	13.4	9.2
Vasectomy	14.6	11.7	16.5	8.0	9.1	13.3	11.7	4.2	9.9	10.5	11.6
Natural method	28.4	28.9	27.2	26.0	33.1	33.6	28.2	37.9	33.9	26.5	22.2
Injections	11.0	11.8	8.5	12.3	9.0	8.2	8.2	8.5	8.6	7.8	10.4
Other method	17.0	20.6	22.6	22.5	23.7	29.3	27.8	31.9	29.5	18.4	18.5
None	1.0	1.2	0.8	0.2	2.1	-	0.8	1.4	1.3	0.5	0.5
Abstinence	3.7	4.9	4.9	4.0	4.9	4.4	5.0	5.3	4.7	1.1	2.7
<i>Bases (weighted)</i>											
<i>Men</i>	226	614	463	371	479	420	477	743	733	240	473
<i>Women</i>	233	597	448	362	459	405	482	721	711	241	480
<i>Bases (unweighted)</i>											
<i>Men</i>	214	433	351	294	323	325	310	1067	522	188	341
<i>Women</i>	283	671	479	399	424	410	517	1431	701	253	468

Column percentages add to more than 100% as more than one response was permitted.

Table 11.8 Contraception used in last year, by age

Base: All with at least one heterosexual partner in the last year

	Age					Natsal II total	Natsal I total*
	16-17	18-19	20-24	25-34	35-44		
Men	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
Pill	35.6	52.3	51.6	47.1	21.8	38.2	40.2
IUD	2.4	0.2	0.9	4.0	5.9	4.0	5.3
Condom	88.2	87.0	79.7	51.1	32.0	51.3	43.2
Female sterilisation	-	-	-	3.0	8.8	4.5	7.0
Vasectomy	-	-	0.2	3.3	19.7	8.7	9.6
Natural method	7.7	9.9	10.9	13.0	9.2	10.9	9.4
Injections	1.9	3.1	2.6	3.1	1.4	2.4	n.a.
Other method	6.5	6.2	7.0	3.1	3.2	4.0	3.2
None	3.7	4.5	3.8	10.4	16.0	11.0	11.2
Abstinence	0.6	0.4	1.9	1.8	0.8	1.3	1.7
Women							
Pill	54.7	69.8	62.0	43.7	16.8	38.2	38.3
IUD	0.5	0.4	2.5	6.9	7.9	6.1	7.3
Condom	82.2	68.8	56.7	36.9	26.3	39.2	30.6
Female sterilisation	-	-	-	4.9	14.9	7.4	8.8
Vasectomy	-	0.4	0.6	6.3	18.7	9.5	11.5
Natural method	3.7	8.4	7.5	10.5	7.2	8.5	6.4
Injections	6.4	6.2	8.6	4.5	1.6	4.2	n.a.
Other method	4.8	10.5	5.5	3.9	2.7	4.1	4.2
None	3.2	6.2	7.0	11.3	16.8	12.1	12.7
Abstinence	0.7	1.5	1.6	0.9	1.0	1.1	1.3
<i>Bases (weighted)</i>							
Men	177	233	704	1886	1783	4782	4794
Women	170	245	687	1892	1732	4725	4878
<i>Bases (unweighted)</i>							
Men	147	211	546	1548	1442	3894	4137
Women	148	237	725	2281	2039	5430	5545

*Based on Natsal I respondents aged 16-44, weighted to be comparable with Natsal II.

n.a. = not asked

Column percentages add to more than 100% as more than one response was permitted.

Table 11.9 Contraception used in last year, by marital status*

Base: All with at least one heterosexual partner in the last year

	Men			Women				
	Marital status			Marital status				
	Married	Cohabiting: opposite sex partner	Divorced, separated, widowed	Single	Married	Cohabiting: opposite sex partner	Divorced, separated, widowed	Single
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
Pill	28.1	51.8	30.5	45.5	25.6	50.2	26.5	57.0
IUD	4.9	6.3	4.7	1.4	7.1	5.7	10.4	3.1
Condom	35.2	44.0	47.4	78.0	28.9	35.1	36.4	63.6
Female sterilisation	7.0	3.7	9.8	0.7	10.5	5.0	14.2	1.3
Vasectomy	16.0	5.0	12.8	0.1	16.7	3.4	6.6	0.8
Natural method	8.8	13.0	11.0	12.5	9.0	9.1	6.1	7.7
Injections	2.0	3.2	2.8	2.4	2.3	5.2	4.4	7.1
Other method	2.5	3.1	3.2	6.7	2.6	3.9	5.2	6.8
None	15.3	8.4	13.3	6.2	15.3	10.7	18.0	5.4
Abstinence	1.2	1.6	0.5	1.6	1.0	0.9	0.5	1.7
<i>Bases (weighted)</i>	<i>2148</i>	<i>857</i>	<i>206</i>	<i>1564</i>	<i>2311</i>	<i>952</i>	<i>310</i>	<i>1147</i>
<i>Bases (unweighted)</i>	<i>1478</i>	<i>601</i>	<i>266</i>	<i>1543</i>	<i>2383</i>	<i>961</i>	<i>533</i>	<i>1546</i>

*Due to small base, respondents with same sex partners are excluded from the table.
Column percentages add to more than 100% as more than one response was permitted.

Table 11.10 Contraception used in last year, by education level

Base: Aged 18 or over with at least one heterosexual partner in the last year

	Men			Women			
	Education level			Education level			
	A level or above	GCSE/ O level/ CSE	Other/ none	A level or above	GCSE/ O level/ CSE	Other/ none	
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
Pill	41.7	39.9	26.6	41.9	38.9	25.4	
IUD	3.3	4.5	4.7	5.5	6.4	7.3	
Condom	60.2	46.2	37.3	48.7	33.2	25.7	
Female sterilisation	2.5	4.7	8.9	3.4	8.8	13.9	
Vasectomy	7.9	9.6	9.8	7.5	10.4	13.3	
Natural method	15.6	8.1	8.9	12.0	7.3	5.6	
Injections	1.5	3.4	1.8	2.4	5.1	4.9	
Other method	5.5	3.2	2.1	6.0	3.4	1.9	
None	7.4	11.2	19.8	8.8	12.1	21.1	
Abstinence	2.7	0.7	0.4	2.2	0.5	0.5	
<i>Bases (weighted)</i>	<i>1728</i>	<i>2078</i>	<i>790</i>	<i>1628</i>	<i>2150</i>	<i>766</i>	
<i>Bases (unweighted)</i>	<i>1472</i>	<i>1623</i>	<i>645</i>	<i>1927</i>	<i>2406</i>	<i>935</i>	

Column percentages add to more than 100% as more than one response was permitted.

Table 11.11 Contraception used in last year, by social class

Base: All with at least one heterosexual partner in the last year (except those who had no job in last 10 years)

	Social class					
	I	II	IIINM	IIIM	IV	V
Men	%	%	%	%	%	%
Pill	36.3	37.0	48.0	38.4	35.8	29.1
IUD	4.3	4.0	3.0	3.5	5.0	6.5
Condom	63.6	45.9	60.2	46.2	52.4	48.4
Female sterilisation	3.2	3.9	3.3	5.1	5.1	8.3
Vasectomy	8.2	12.6	5.1	9.5	7.1	2.2
Natural method	14.6	13.2	17.0	8.1	7.6	6.1
Injections	2.4	1.3	1.1	2.8	2.9	6.6
Other method	5.5	3.5	4.3	4.2	4.1	3.6
None	8.0	10.5	7.8	12.8	11.0	15.2
Abstinence	3.2	1.8	1.8	0.8	1.1	0.2
Women						
Pill	40.3	35.9	41.9	39.1	35.1	32.4
IUD	4.8	7.8	5.0	5.3	6.5	7.2
Condom	48.9	40.3	38.4	31.3	36.7	27.7
Female sterilisation	2.1	6.4	6.2	10.7	9.4	16.3
Vasectomy	8.0	9.2	10.0	13.4	9.3	12.2
Natural method	15.9	11.3	8.4	6.5	6.3	2.6
Injections	1.9	2.7	4.1	4.7	6.0	3.5
Other method	5.8	4.4	3.8	1.0	3.8	1.0
None	5.7	11.2	11.7	10.8	14.3	15.3
Abstinence	2.4	1.7	0.9	0.5	1.2	-
<i>Bases (weighted)</i>						
<i>Men</i>	345	1326	554	1404	620	206
<i>Women</i>	144	1160	1581	357	748	190
<i>Bases (unweighted)</i>						
<i>Men</i>	279	1114	473	1087	501	166
<i>Women</i>	184	1398	1782	400	834	213

Column percentages add to more than 100% as more than one response was permitted.

Table 11.12 Contraception used in last year, by religion

Base: All with at least one heterosexual partner in the last year

	Religion						
	None	Church of England	Roman Catholic	Other Christian	Muslim	Hindu	Other non Christian
Men	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
Pill	38.7	37.7	36.6	41.2	22.0	a	31.8
IUD	3.8	4.2	4.2	4.3	5.1	a	3.1
Condom	52.2	43.6	50.9	56.2	56.4	a	65.5
Female sterilisation	5.0	4.3	3.2	3.5	-	a	2.4
Vasectomy	7.9	11.2	9.6	9.8	0.9	a	8.5
Natural method	11.8	8.8	10.2	10.2	6.5	a	13.7
Injections	2.7	2.4	1.1	2.2	-	a	-
Other method	4.4	3.4	2.7	4.2	2.6	a	2.6
None	10.6	12.4	13.7	7.8	21.5	a	6.7
Abstinence	1.3	1.2	1.5	1.8	-	a	2.8
Women							
Pill	41.3	34.2	35.8	36.6	32.9	[45.7]	27.4
IUD	5.9	6.1	5.7	5.2	12.2	[10.6]	10.9
Condom	39.0	31.6	43.4	45.3	54.2	[47.8]	58.2
Female sterilisation	7.2	9.8	7.4	5.9	-	[1.5]	3.3
Vasectomy	8.4	13.8	7.5	9.7	-	[-]	3.6
Natural method	7.3	8.1	14.4	9.1	4.4	[13.5]	17.2
Injections	5.1	3.6	2.5	2.9	1.6	[10.0]	3.0
Other method	4.2	3.2	3.4	5.4	1.7	[4.0]	13.1
None	11.8	13.4	10.9	10.9	18.8	[11.8]	13.2
Abstinence	0.9	0.9	1.5	1.6	1.0	[-]	4.5
<i>Bases (weighted)</i>							
<i>Men</i>	2887	824	405	492	76	30	58
<i>Women</i>	2393	1087	465	596	77	38	61
<i>Bases (unweighted)</i>							
<i>Men</i>	2323	636	360	412	74	27	54
<i>Women</i>	2715	1234	566	681	97	42	84

a Results not shown because of small base.

Column percentages add to more than 100% as more than one response was permitted.

Table 11.13 Contraception used in last year, by region

Base: All with at least one heterosexual partner in the last year

	Region										
	North East	North West and Merseyside	Yorkshire and Humber	East Midlands	West Midlands	South West	Eastern	London	South East	Wales	Scotland
Men	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
Pill	36.0	35.4	42.0	44.6	37.0	39.9	38.6	35.1	42.8	32.5	33.3
IUD	3.7	4.3	3.8	3.8	4.9	6.7	3.0	3.7	3.7	2.8	3.2
Condom	49.6	47.6	46.7	49.2	52.5	46.1	51.7	63.6	51.3	50.4	48.3
Female sterilisation	4.3	5.1	4.5	4.8	5.1	3.6	4.9	1.9	3.4	8.6	6.5
Vasectomy	10.9	9.4	10.2	7.1	8.8	12.3	8.2	2.9	8.6	10.1	11.7
Natural method	10.6	9.6	6.8	8.2	10.9	10.1	11.2	15.2	14.4	7.4	9.3
Injections	3.6	3.0	1.8	2.4	3.6	3.0	1.7	1.5	2.0	2.7	2.2
Other method	4.2	3.9	2.3	2.0	3.5	5.0	3.6	4.6	6.7	2.6	2.9
None	10.4	12.7	13.7	7.1	11.1	10.6	11.4	11.9	8.9	10.3	11.1
Abstinence	0.4	1.5	1.4	0.6	1.5	1.6	0.8	1.6	1.9	1.5	1.0
Women											
Pill	39.7	36.7	36.4	40.9	38.5	35.8	38.5	36.4	41.4	36.5	39.8
IUD	6.4	6.3	4.8	5.2	5.8	7.7	4.8	7.0	6.5	6.3	5.4
Condom	31.8	35.0	35.3	38.4	40.9	36.7	41.4	47.7	38.1	37.8	39.7
Female sterilisation	9.4	8.5	8.4	8.9	5.8	8.9	7.6	3.3	5.9	12.7	8.8
Vasectomy	14.7	10.9	15.2	7.8	7.5	10.3	10.3	3.8	9.1	10.1	10.3
Natural method	4.6	7.0	5.5	7.7	12.0	8.7	7.0	14.9	7.7	7.3	5.9
Injections	6.0	3.7	6.2	5.5	3.9	3.5	4.3	3.3	4.3	3.0	3.5
Other method	2.3	3.3	3.5	2.3	5.8	2.9	4.6	4.5	5.4	5.1	3.7
None	10.9	12.5	12.6	9.7	13.0	13.1	9.6	12.1	13.5	10.5	13.2
Abstinence	-	0.4	1.0	1.5	2.0	1.5	0.8	1.4	1.3	0.7	0.9
<i>Bases (weighted)</i>											
<i>Men</i>	193	566	422	334	432	396	446	657	678	223	434
<i>Women</i>	207	553	405	334	424	381	450	653	661	215	442
<i>Bases (unweighted)</i>											
<i>Men</i>	180	394	312	260	290	301	282	928	470	171	306
<i>Women</i>	248	609	425	366	382	375	479	1261	640	225	420

Column percentages add to more than 100% as more than one response was permitted.

Table 11.14 Condom used in last four weeks (heterosexual sex), by age

Base: All who had vaginal or anal intercourse in last four weeks

	Age					Natsal II total	Natsal I total*
	16-17	18-19	20-24	25-34	35-44		
Men	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
Used on every occasion	68.2	38.9	38.6	22.1	16.1	24.0	18.2
Used on some occasions	15.4	23.3	16.3	10.5	6.3	10.3	8.0
Not used at all	16.3	37.9	45.1	67.4	77.6	65.6	73.8
Women							
Used on every occasion	40.7	29.7	22.7	15.4	15.6	18.0	14.9
Used on some occasions	18.7	17.7	12.3	8.1	5.0	8.4	5.7
Not used at all	40.6	52.6	65.0	76.4	79.4	73.6	79.3
<i>Bases (weighted)</i>							
Men	121	170	554	1659	1595	4100	4794
Women	127	211	581	1673	1560	4151	4878
<i>Bases (unweighted)</i>							
Men	97	152	430	1321	1243	3243	4137
Women	109	197	602	1954	1778	4640	5545

*Based on Natsal I respondents aged 16-44, weighted to be comparable with Natsal II.

Table 11.15 Condom used in last four weeks (heterosexual sex), by number of new heterosexual partners in the last four weeks

Base: All who had vaginal or anal intercourse in last four weeks

	Number of new heterosexual partners in the last four weeks	
	None	1 or more
Men	%	%
Used on every occasion	20.4	45.9
Used on some occasions	9.3	16.5
Not used at all	70.2	37.6
Women		
Used on every occasion	16.5	36.7
Used on some occasions	7.8	15.6
Not used at all	75.7	47.7
<i>Bases (weighted)</i>		
Men	3516	547
Women	3805	310
<i>Bases (unweighted)</i>		
Men	2711	502
Women	4219	380

Table 12.1 Abortion and miscarriage or stillbirth, by age

Base: All women

	Age					Natsal II total	Natsal I total*
	16-17	18-19	20-24	25-34	35-44		
Abortion	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
Ever	2.4	9.1	12.7	19.6	19.8	17.0	13.5
In the last five years	2.4	9.1	9.2	6.1	3.1	5.4	6.0
In the last year	1.2	4.0	2.3	1.4	0.6	1.4	1.3
Miscarriage or stillbirth							
Ever	1.4	5.4	9.3	23.0	29.2	20.9	17.2
In the last five years	1.4	5.4	8.1	12.6	7.2	8.9	7.5
In the last year	0.7	3.1	2.8	2.5	1.2	2.0	1.9
<i>Bases (weighted)</i>	<i>343</i>	<i>314</i>	<i>784</i>	<i>2026</i>	<i>1965</i>	<i>5432</i>	<i>6552</i>
<i>Bases (unweighted)</i>	<i>313</i>	<i>300</i>	<i>824</i>	<i>2500</i>	<i>2392</i>	<i>6329</i>	<i>7467</i>

*Based on Natsal I respondents aged 16-44, weighted to be comparable with Natsal II.

Bases vary: those shown are for 'abortion, ever'

Table 12.2 Abortion and miscarriage or stillbirth, by marital status

Base: All women

	Marital status			
	Married	Cohabiting: opposite sex partner	Divorced, separated widowed	Single
Abortion	%	%	%	%
Ever	15.6	24.2	24.6	12.9
In the last five years	3.0	8.1	6.9	7.1
In the last year	0.7	2.0	1.8	2.0
Miscarriage or stillbirth				
Ever	28.7	21.2	29.9	7.0
In the last five years	11.1	10.8	8.5	4.5
In the last year	2.3	2.1	7.6	1.7
<i>Bases (weighted)</i>	<i>2391</i>	<i>970</i>	<i>414</i>	<i>1632</i>
<i>Bases (unweighted)</i>	<i>2466</i>	<i>979</i>	<i>703</i>	<i>2150</i>

*Due to small base, respondents with a same sex partner are excluded from the table.

Bases vary: those shown are for 'abortion, ever'

Table 12.3 Abortion and miscarriage or stillbirth, by education level

Base: All women aged 18 or over

	Education level		
	A level or above	GCSE/ O level/ CSE	Other/ none
Abortion	%	%	%
Ever	17.0	17.7	20.7
In the last five years	6.0	4.9	6.6
In the last year	1.5	1.3	1.6
Miscarriage or stillbirth			
Ever	16.9	22.9	31.4
In the last five years	8.6	9.7	10.2
In the last year	2.1	1.8	2.6
<i>Bases (weighted)</i>	<i>1809</i>	<i>2386</i>	<i>882</i>
<i>Bases (unweighted)</i>	<i>2184</i>	<i>2714</i>	<i>1103</i>

Bases vary: those shown are for 'abortion, ever'

Table 12.4 Abortion and miscarriage or stillbirth, by social class

Base: All women (except those who had no job in the last 10 years)

		Social class					
		I	II	IIINM	IIIM	IV	V
		%	%	%	%	%	%
Abortion							
Ever		15.0	19.9	17.2	17.2	18.1	16.8
In the last five years		4.2	4.9	5.9	3.6	6.0	6.8
In the last year		1.8	0.9	1.2	0.9	1.1	2.6
Miscarriage or stillbirth							
Ever		17.7	21.1	20.2	26.3	23.6	27.5
In the last five years		12.2	9.8	8.4	12.8	8.6	11.6
In the last year		2.1	2.5	2.0	3.3	2.0	0.6
<i>Bases (weighted)</i>		<i>155</i>	<i>1259</i>	<i>1764</i>	<i>391</i>	<i>851</i>	<i>215</i>
<i>Bases (unweighted)</i>		<i>203</i>	<i>1560</i>	<i>2026</i>	<i>448</i>	<i>970</i>	<i>249</i>

Bases vary: those shown are for 'abortion, ever'

Table 12.5 Abortion and miscarriage or stillbirth, by religion

Base: All women

		Religion						
		None	Church of England	Roman Catholic	Other Christian	Muslim	Hindu	Other non Christian
		%	%	%	%	%	%	%
Abortion								
Ever		17.5	17.8	18.0	14.2	9.5	15.1	20.5
In the last five years		5.7	4.5	5.8	4.5	4.6	13.0	10.0
In the last year		1.5	0.7	1.5	0.8	2.9	10.9	3.5
Miscarriage or stillbirth								
Ever		20.3	23.9	20.4	18.4	22.6	9.7	24.3
In the last five years		8.3	9.6	9.1	9.1	12.9	5.6	12.3
In the last year		1.9	2.0	2.1	1.9	3.8	-	1.7
<i>Bases (weighted)</i>		<i>2720</i>	<i>1203</i>	<i>541</i>	<i>711</i>	<i>122</i>	<i>50</i>	<i>75</i>
<i>Bases (unweighted)</i>		<i>3130</i>	<i>1384</i>	<i>665</i>	<i>846</i>	<i>140</i>	<i>50</i>	<i>102</i>

Bases vary: those shown are for 'abortion, ever'

Table 12.6 Abortion and miscarriage or stillbirth, by region

Base: All women

		Region										
		North East	North West and Mersey- side	York- shire and Humber	East Midlands	West Midlands	South West	Eastern	London	South East	Wales	Scotland
		%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
Abortion												
Ever		12.9	18.0	14.3	14.2	14.7	20.6	15.1	24.4	17.1	15.1	12.7
In the last five years		4.5	6.2	4.0	6.4	3.8	4.6	4.0	7.5	6.3	5.0	4.6
In the last year		2.0	1.4	1.5	1.4	1.7	1.1	1.2	1.7	1.4	0.6	1.0
Miscarriage or stillbirth												
Ever		22.8	19.3	17.6	20.6	21.4	23.3	20.8	21.8	20.5	20.4	22.1
In the last five years		8.2	8.7	7.2	10.0	8.5	8.0	8.7	10.1	9.9	6.9	8.7
In the last year		2.3	1.4	1.3	2.9	2.5	1.7	1.5	3.0	2.2	1.9	1.0
<i>Bases (weighted)</i>		<i>236</i>	<i>637</i>	<i>461</i>	<i>386</i>	<i>491</i>	<i>426</i>	<i>498</i>	<i>775</i>	<i>762</i>	<i>258</i>	<i>501</i>
<i>Bases (unweighted)</i>		<i>287</i>	<i>707</i>	<i>490</i>	<i>420</i>	<i>446</i>	<i>432</i>	<i>535</i>	<i>1510</i>	<i>744</i>	<i>270</i>	<i>488</i>

Bases vary: those shown are for 'abortion, ever'

Table 12.7 Abortion and miscarriage or stillbirth, by smoking status

Base: All women

	Smoking status			
	Never smoked	Ex-smoker	Smokes < 15 per day	Smokes 15+ per day
Abortion	%	%	%	%
Ever	11.7	19.7	21.7	23.3
In the last five years	3.8	4.8	8.5	6.5
In the last year	1.2	1.3	2.0	1.3
Miscarriage or stillbirth				
Ever	17.0	22.6	18.8	33.3
In the last five years	7.8	9.1	9.5	10.9
In the last year	1.8	1.7	2.7	1.9
<i>Bases (weighted)</i>	<i>2517</i>	<i>888</i>	<i>1159</i>	<i>868</i>
<i>Bases (unweighted)</i>	<i>2893</i>	<i>1018</i>	<i>1372</i>	<i>1046</i>

Bases vary: those shown are for 'abortion, ever'

Table 12.8 Abortion and miscarriage or stillbirth, by usual weekly alcohol consumption

Base: All women

	Usual weekly alcohol consumption			
	None, never drinks alcohol	15 or less units	16 to 34 units	35+ units
Abortion	%	%	%	%
Ever	13.9	17.7	17.2	22.3
In the last five years	4.0	5.8	3.7	6.9
In the last year	1.4	1.5	-	-
Miscarriage or stillbirth				
Ever	25.4	19.6	23.9	19.5
In the last five years	10.6	8.5	7.0	7.9
In the last year	2.1	1.9	3.0	1.4
<i>Bases (weighted)</i>	<i>1080</i>	<i>4094</i>	<i>184</i>	<i>72</i>
<i>Bases (unweighted)</i>	<i>1282</i>	<i>4737</i>	<i>225</i>	<i>81</i>

Bases vary: those shown are for 'abortion, ever'

