



<b>Contraceptive Method</b>	<b>Failure Rate in Preventing Pregnancies</b> (pregnancies per 100 users per year)
Depo Provera Injection	3% with typical use <sup>1</sup>
Patch (Ortho Evra)	8% <sup>2</sup>
Vaginal Ring (Nuva Ring)	8% <sup>2</sup>
Tubal Ligation	0.5% <sup>2</sup>
Mini-pills (progestin-only pills)	8% with typical use <sup>1</sup>
IUD (dependent upon type of IUD)	1.8% <sup>2</sup>
Birth Control Pills	8% with typical use <sup>1</sup>
Condom: Male	15% with typical use <sup>1</sup>
Condom: Female	21% with typical use <sup>1</sup>
Cervical Cap (Women who have not delivered vaginally)	16% with typical use in women who have not delivered vaginally <sup>1</sup>
Reality Sponge (women with no children)	16% <sup>2</sup>
Reality Sponge (women with children)	32% <sup>2</sup>
Diaphragm	16% with typical use <sup>1</sup>
Spermicide only	29% <sup>2</sup>
Cervical Cap (Women who have delivered vaginally)	32% with typical use in women who have delivered vaginally <sup>1</sup>

- Note: [Contraception failure rate for teen women within two years of beginning use is 21%](#)

<sup>1</sup>Consumer Reports, *Condoms and Contraception*, February 2005.

<sup>2</sup>Trussel J. *Contraceptive Efficacy*. In Hatcher RA, Trussell J, Stewart F, Nelson A,

*Cates W, Guest F, Kowal D. Contraceptive Technology: 18<sup>th</sup> Revised Edition. New York NY: Ardent Media, 2004.*

*<sup>3</sup>Hitchcock P. Scientific Evidence on Condom Effectiveness for Sexually Transmitted Disease (STD) Prevention: Workshop Summary. Herndon (VA): DIANE Publishing, 2001. (From a workshop held by the US National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases, NIH, June 12-13, 2001.)*

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