

**Table 5: Percent distribution of birth limiters by current contraceptive method and according to selected socioeconomic and demographic covariates, Iran, 2000 and Turkey, 2003**

| Covariates                       | Iran           |             |              |              | Turkey         |             |              |              |
|----------------------------------|----------------|-------------|--------------|--------------|----------------|-------------|--------------|--------------|
|                                  | Modern methods | Withdrawal  | Total        |              | Modern methods | Withdrawal  | Total        |              |
|                                  |                |             | %            | N            |                |             | %            | N            |
| <b>Residence</b>                 |                |             |              |              |                |             |              |              |
| Urban                            | 73.9           | 26.1        | 100.0        | 2,840        | 68.1           | 31.9        | 100.0        | 1701         |
| Rural                            | 87.2           | 12.8        | 100.0        | 1,490        | 62.8           | 37.2        | 100.0        | 611          |
| <b>Employment status</b>         |                |             |              |              |                |             |              |              |
| Unemployed                       | 77.2           | 22.8        | 100.0        | 3,438        | 66.1           | 33.9        | 100.0        | 1712         |
| Employed                         | 83.4           | 16.6        | 100.0        | 893          | 68.2           | 31.8        | 100.0        | 601          |
| <b>Years of schooling</b>        |                |             |              |              |                |             |              |              |
| None                             | 88.0           | 12.0        | 100.0        | 1,453        | 60.3           | 39.7        | 100.0        | 348          |
| 1-5 years                        | 80.2           | 19.8        | 100.0        | 1,439        | 65.1           | 34.9        | 100.0        | 1,426        |
| 6-11 years                       | 68.5           | 31.5        | 100.0        | 787          | 71.7           | 28.3        | 100.0        | 431          |
| 12+ years                        | 65.7           | 34.3        | 100.0        | 650          | 88.8           | 11.2        | 100.0        | 107          |
| <b>Wealth index</b>              |                |             |              |              |                |             |              |              |
| Poor                             | 90.7           | 9.3         | 100.0        | 897          | 61.6           | 38.4        | 100.0        | 698          |
| Middle                           | 78.5           | 21.5        | 100.0        | 1,295        | 65.3           | 34.7        | 100.0        | 467          |
| Rich                             | 73.3           | 26.7        | 100.0        | 2,138        | 70.2           | 29.8        | 100.0        | 1,149        |
| <b>Region</b>                    |                |             |              |              |                |             |              |              |
| West                             | 79.3           | 20.7        | 100.0        | 1,515        | 67.0           | 33.0        | 100.0        | 995          |
| South                            | 84.0           | 16.0        | 100.0        | 326          | 68.7           | 31.3        | 100.0        | 281          |
| Center                           | 76.7           | 23.3        | 100.0        | 1,254        | 68.9           | 31.1        | 100.0        | 592          |
| North                            | 71.6           | 28.4        | 100.0        | 591          | 57.0           | 43.0        | 100.0        | 179          |
| East                             | 83.5           | 16.5        | 100.0        | 644          | 64.9           | 35.1        | 100.0        | 265          |
| <b>Age</b>                       |                |             |              |              |                |             |              |              |
| < 30                             | 78.0           | 22.0        | 100.0        | 591          | 65.4           | 34.6        | 100.0        | 436          |
| 30-39                            | 79.2           | 20.8        | 100.0        | 1,913        | 70.3           | 29.7        | 100.0        | 1,070        |
| 40-49                            | 77.9           | 22.1        | 100.0        | 1,827        | 62.7           | 37.3        | 100.0        | 806          |
| <b>Age at first birth</b>        |                |             |              |              |                |             |              |              |
| < 20                             | 80.1           | 19.9        | 100.0        | 2,409        | 66.9           | 33.1        | 100.0        | 971          |
| 20+                              | 76.5           | 23.5        | 100.0        | 1,923        | 66.5           | 33.5        | 100.0        | 1,342        |
| <b>Number of living children</b> |                |             |              |              |                |             |              |              |
| 1-2                              | 64.0           | 35.4        | 100.0        | 865          | 67.2           | 32.8        | 100.0        | 1,110        |
| 3-4                              | 76.7           | 23.3        | 100.0        | 1,070        | 65.5           | 34.5        | 100.0        | 934          |
| 5+                               | 86.5           | 13.5        | 100.0        | 984          | 68.5           | 31.5        | 100.0        | 270          |
| <b>Number of living son</b>      |                |             |              |              |                |             |              |              |
| None                             | 64.9           | 35.1        | 100.0        | 316          | 64.2           | 35.8        | 100.0        | 307          |
| 1 +                              | 79.6           | 20.4        | 100.0        | 4,014        | 67.0           | 33.0        | 100.0        | 2,006        |
| <b>All</b>                       | <b>78.5</b>    | <b>21.5</b> | <b>100.0</b> | <b>4,329</b> | <b>66.7</b>    | <b>33.3</b> | <b>100.0</b> | <b>2,314</b> |

Notes: All figures are weighted. The total cases for each covariate may be different from the grand total because of rounding of the weighted cell counts. Chi-square tests for all covariates are significant at 5% significance level, with the exception of age in Iran, and employment, age at first birth, number of living children, and number of living sons in Turkey.