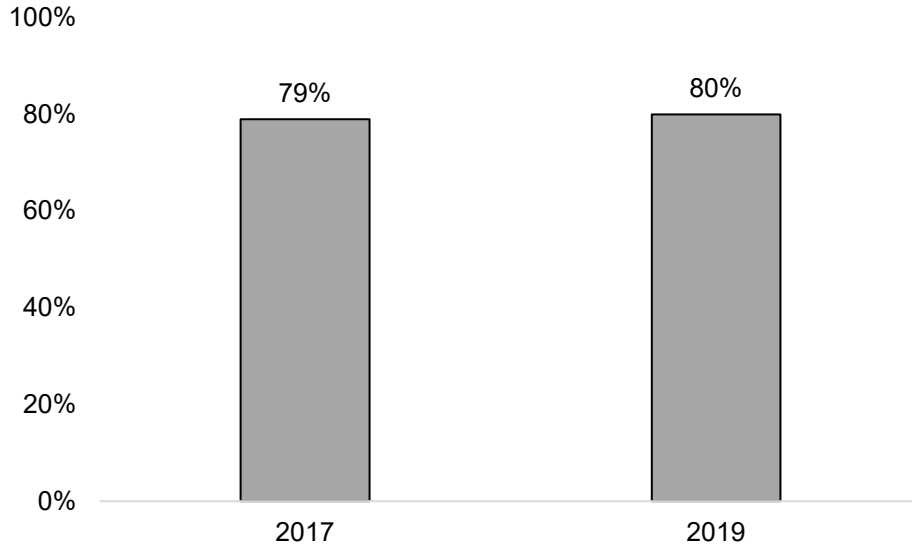

Family Planning

Definition: South Dakota females, ages 18-49, who are currently using birth control.

Prevalence of Birth Control Use

- South Dakota 80%
- There is no nationwide median for using birth control

Figure 63
Percentage of Female South Dakotans, Ages 18-49, Who Are Currently Using Birth Control, 2017-2019



Source: The Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System, South Dakota Department of Health, 2017-2019

Table 57
Female South Dakotans, Ages 18-49, Who Are Currently Using Birth Control, 2017-2019

		2017-2019	95% Confidence Interval	
			Low	High
Gender	Male	-	-	-
	Female	79%	75.4%	83.0%
Age	18-29	82%	74.7%	87.9%
	30-39	81%	73.7%	86.6%
	40-49	74%	66.9%	80.3%
	50-59	-	-	-
	60-69	-	-	-
	70-79	-	-	-
	80+	-	-	-
Race/Ethnicity	White, Non-Hispanic	81%	76.7%	84.9%
	American Indian, Non-Hispanic	75%	63.6%	83.4%
	American Indian/White, Non-Hispanic	*	*	*
	Hispanic	*	*	*
Household Income	Less than \$35,000	78%	69.2%	84.1%
	\$35,000-\$74,999	81%	73.5%	86.6%
	\$75,000+	85%	77.8%	90.0%
Education	Less than High School, G.E.D.	*	*	*
	High School, G.E.D.	69%	58.2%	78.0%
	Some Post-High School	80%	73.4%	85.8%
	College Graduate	86%	80.9%	89.7%
Employment Status	Employed for Wages	79%	74.1%	83.8%
	Self-employed	78%	64.5%	87.9%
	Unemployed	*	*	*
	Homemaker	77%	62.0%	87.8%
	Student	*	*	*
	Retired	*	*	*
	Unable to Work	*	*	*
Marital Status	Married/Unmarried Couple	80%	75.0%	84.1%
	Divorced/Separated	77%	62.2%	87.8%
	Widowed	*	*	*
	Never Married	80%	71.6%	87.0%
Home Ownership Status	Own Home	81%	76.2%	85.1%
	Rent Home	75%	67.0%	82.4%
Children Status	Children in Household (Ages 18-44)	81%	75.2%	85.3%
	No Children in Household (Ages 18-44)	79%	70.5%	86.2%
Phone Status	Landline	79%	70.3%	86.0%
	Cell Phone	80%	74.9%	83.5%
Pregnancy Status	Pregnant (Ages 18-44)	-	-	-
	Not Pregnant (Ages 18-44)	80%	75.9%	84.4%
County	Minnehaha	73%	60.0%	82.5%
	Pennington	78%	65.7%	86.1%
	Lincoln	*	*	*
	Brown	*	*	*
	Brookings	*	*	*
	Codington	*	*	*
	Meade	*	*	*
	Lawrence	*	*	*

Note: *Results based on small sample sizes have been suppressed.

Source: The Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System, South Dakota Department of Health, 2017-2019

Demographics

Age	Birth control use decreases as age increases.
Race/ Ethnicity	The prevalence of birth control use does not seem to differ based on race/ethnicity.
Household Income	Birth control use increases as household income increases.
Education	Birth control use increases as education levels increase.
Employment	The prevalence of birth control does not seem to change based on employment.
Marital Status	Birth control use does not seem to differ based on marital status.
Home Ownership	Birth control use does not seem to differ based on home ownership status.
Children Status	Birth control use does not seem to differ based on presence of children in the household.
Phone Status	Birth control use does not seem to differ based on phone status.
County	The prevalence of birth control use does not seem to differ between the two available counties of Minnehaha and Pennington.

The following table shows the type of birth control women, ages 18-49, use. The most common method of birth control was birth control pills followed by male condoms.

Birth control pills	26%
Male condoms	23%
Female sterilization (ex. Tubal ligation, Essure, Adiana)	17%
Male sterilization (vasectomy)	14%
IUD	13%
Other method	7%

Source: South Dakota Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System, 2017-2019

The following table shows the reasons for not using birth control when asked of women, ages 18-49. The most common reason for not using birth control was that the respondent did not think they or their partner could become pregnant (infertile or too old). The second most common response was they did not think they were going to have sex or had no regular partner.

Table 59	
Reason for Not Using Birth Control, 2017-2019	
Don't think you or your partner can get pregnant (infertile or too old)	34%
Didn't think you were going to have sex/no regular partner	10%
Just didn't think about it	9%
Religious reasons	7%
Other reasons	40%

Source: South Dakota Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System, 2017-2019

