

Supplemental method

Emergency contraceptive pill (ECP) use in Japan

We obtained and assessed data regarding the number of shipments received and sold by ASKA Pharmaceutical Co., Ltd. (Tokyo, Japan) in 2011–2019. Furthermore, using details from the Population Census of Japan in 2015 and from a previous study, we calculated the proportion of cumulative use of ECPs among women aged 18–39 years who have had sexual intercourse.[1,2] The proportion of cumulative use of ECPs in Japan was calculated using the number of women aged 18–39 who have had sexual intercourse (12,964,000 multiplied by 0.754) in 2015 as the denominator, and the cumulative number of levonorgestrel-alone ECPs as the numerator.[1,2]

ECP use in the United States (US)

The proportion of women who have used ECPs was calculated through personal interviews with women aged 15–44 years who have had sexual intercourse in households in the US.[3,4]

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