

Table 2 Hospital-based caesarean section rates by age, education and residence in selected Arab countries

Country	Mother's age (years)		Mother's education		Residence	
	15–34	35+	Below secondary	Secondary or higher	Rural	Urban
	%	%	%	%	%	%
Algeria	6.8	6.1	6.7	10.0	5.7	6.9
Bahrain	15.2	17.8	17.0	17.9	–	–
Egypt	20.1	28.0	18.0	23.6	17.4	23.7
Jordan	5.8	10.7	7.0	6.6	5.2	7.3
Kuwait	4.8	17.3	9.9	12.1	–	–
Lebanon	14.5	21.2	14.9	20.1	–	–
Mauritania	–	–	2.4	9.4	0.5	4.2
Morocco	7.0	10.6	6.4	12.0	5.7	9.2
Oman	6.2	7.9	6.1	11.5	4.9	7.7
Palestine Gaza	4.2	9.6	5.2	6.2	4.7	6.6
Palestine West Bank	5.9	14.1	8.2	6.5	6.8	8.5
Qatar	13.9	21.4	14.7	16.5	–	–
Saudi Arabia	5.8	11.0	8.1	10.5	5.2	9.4
Sudan	25.2	14.8	18.9	22.9	24.4	18.6
Syrian Arab Republic	10.3	17.6	11.9	15.4	11.7	12.8
United Arab Emirates	12.5	11.9	9.7	10.7	8.0	10.5
Yemen	6.0	7.7	6.4	3.0	6.3	6.2