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**Article** **Determinants of Contraceptive Method Choice in Sri Lanka: An Update of a 1987 Survey**

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**Abstract** Using survey data, this article analyzes demographic and socio-economic factors affecting contraceptive method choice. Four contraceptive choices are analyzed. The results show that both demographic and socio-economic factors are important in distinguishing users from non-users. However, there are no significant distinguishing characteristics between the users of traditional methods and those of the modern temporary methods. By contrast, the use of sterilization is influenced more by family life-cycle goals rather than socio-cultural differentials. The findings suggest that much of the rise in contraceptive use in Sri Lanka has taken place without any major shifts in contraceptive method mix or structural changes in the socio-economic and demographic characteristics of the users of specific contraceptive methods.

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