

Early and late menarche is associated with reduced fecundability

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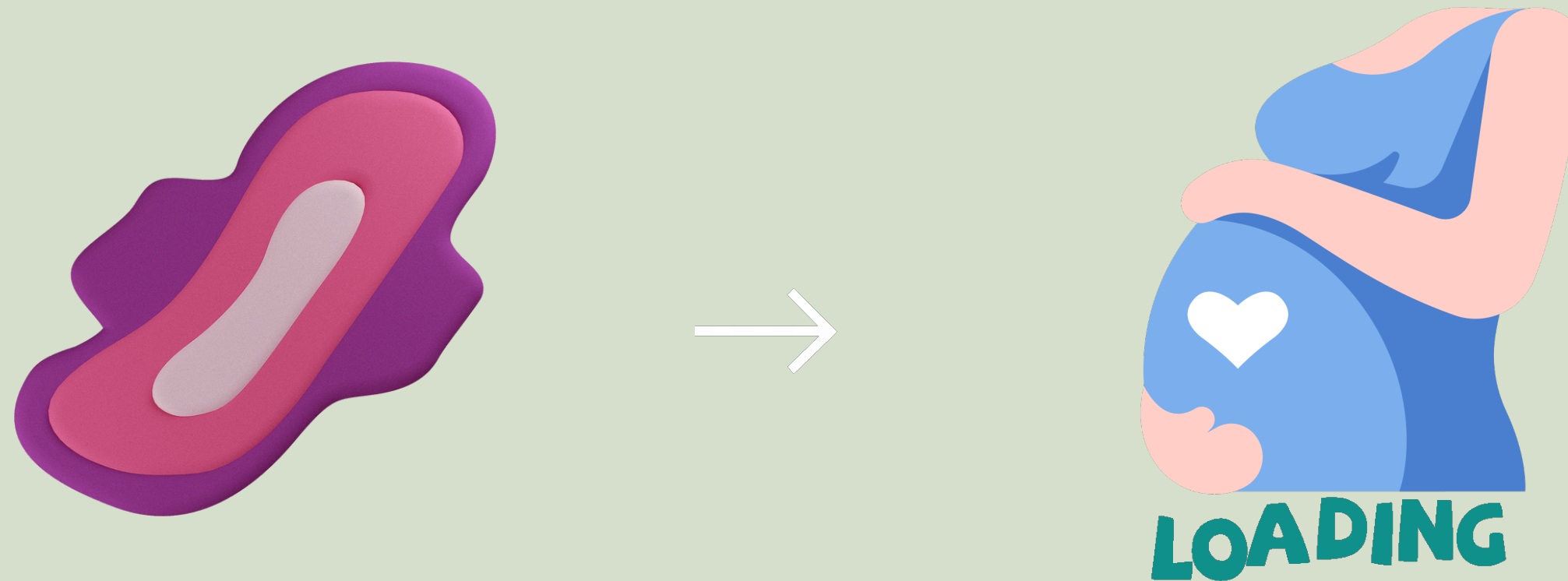
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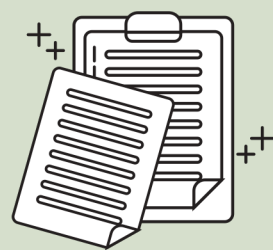
Introduction



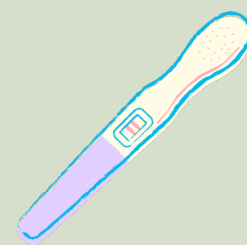
Material and methods

The Norwegian Mother, Father and Child Cohort Study





N=110.777



N=95.135



N=83.116



N= 68.209

Women who
answered Q1
in one or
more
pregnancies



Women
participating
in MoBa for
the first time



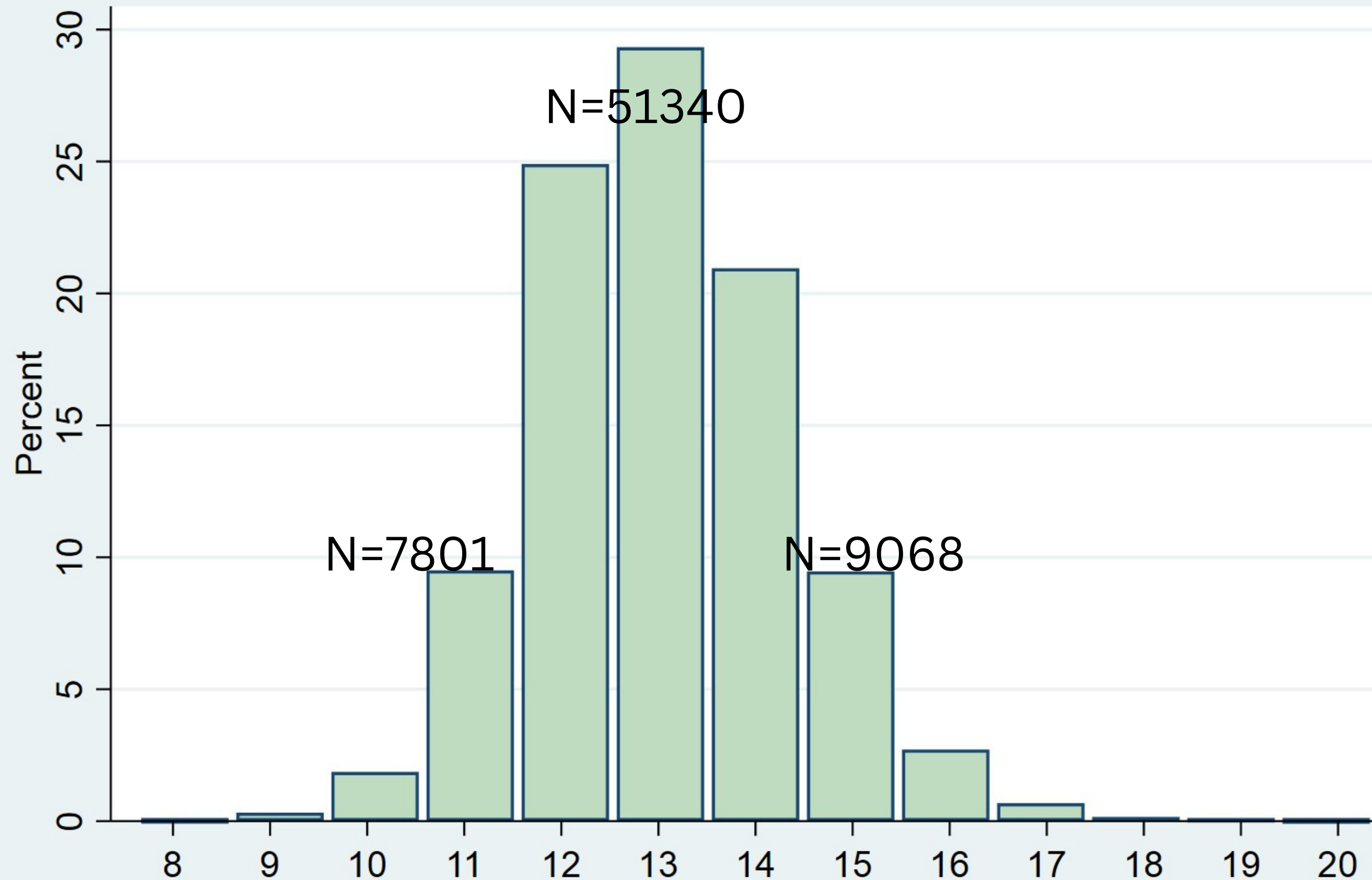
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Planned
pregnancies

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Age at menarche (AAM)



N=68209 Mean AAM=13 SD=1.3

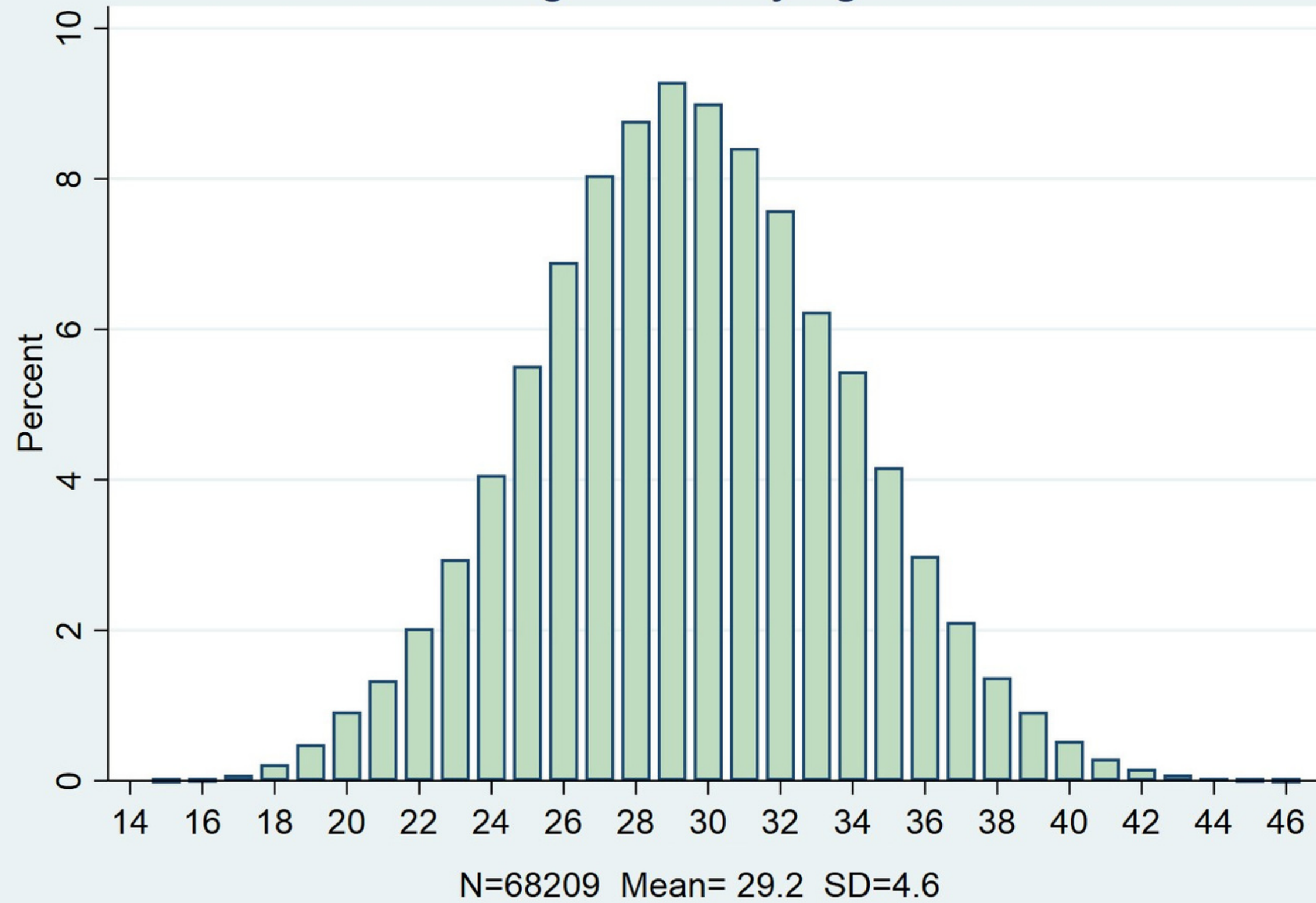
Table

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Age at menarche (AAM)

Table 1 Background characteristics of the study population according to age at menarche N = 68209							
Age at menarche (AAM)							
	Total	<11	11	12 to 14	15	>15	Missing, n (%)
Total n, (%)	68209 (100)	1435 (2.10)	6366 (9.33)	51340 (75.27)	6550 (9.60)	2518 (3.69)	0 (0.00)
Mean AAM (SD)	13.02 (1.3)						
Mean age when trying to concieve (SD)	29.5 (4.3)						
Age when trying to concieve*, n (%)							
<20	551 (0.81)	23 (0.04)	84 (0.12)	402 (0.59)	30 (0.04)	6 (0.01)	
20-24	7709 (11.30)	231 (0.34)	869 (1.27)	5853 (8.58)	582 (0.85)	174 (0.26)	
25-29	26278 (38.53)	576 (0.84)	2517 (3.69)	19880 (29.15)	2482 (3.64)	823 (1.21)	
30-34	25019 (36.68)	460 (0.67)	2197 (3.22)	18755 (27.50)	2532 (3.71)	1075 (1.58)	
35-39	7887 (11.56)	128 (0.29)	640 (0.94)	5892 (8.64)	827 (1.21)	400 (0.59)	
>40	765 (1.12)	11 (0.02)	59 (0.09)	558 (0.82)	97 (0.14)	40 (0.06)	
Total	68209	1435	6366	51340	6550	2518	(0.00)
Mean pre-pregnancy BMI (SD)	24 (4.2)						
Pre-pregnancy BMI, n (%)							
<18.5	1907 (2.85)	17 (0.03)	83 (0.12)	1366 (2.04)	296 (0.44)	145 (0.22)	
18,5-24.9	44073 (65.93)	633 (0.95)	3406 (5.09)	33352 (49.89)	4777 (7.15)	1905 (2.85)	
25-29.9	14710 (22.00)	414 (0.62)	1763 (2.64)	11193 (16.74)	1010 (1.51)	330 (0.49)	
30-34.9	4514 (6.75)	218 (0.33)	702 (1.05)	3286 (4.92)	248 (0.37)	60 (0.09)	
>35	1647 (2.46)	112 (0.17)	271 (0.41)	1161 (1.74)	79 (0.12)	24 (0.04)	
Total	66851	1394	6225	50358	6410	2464	1358 (1.99)

Maternal age when trying to conceive



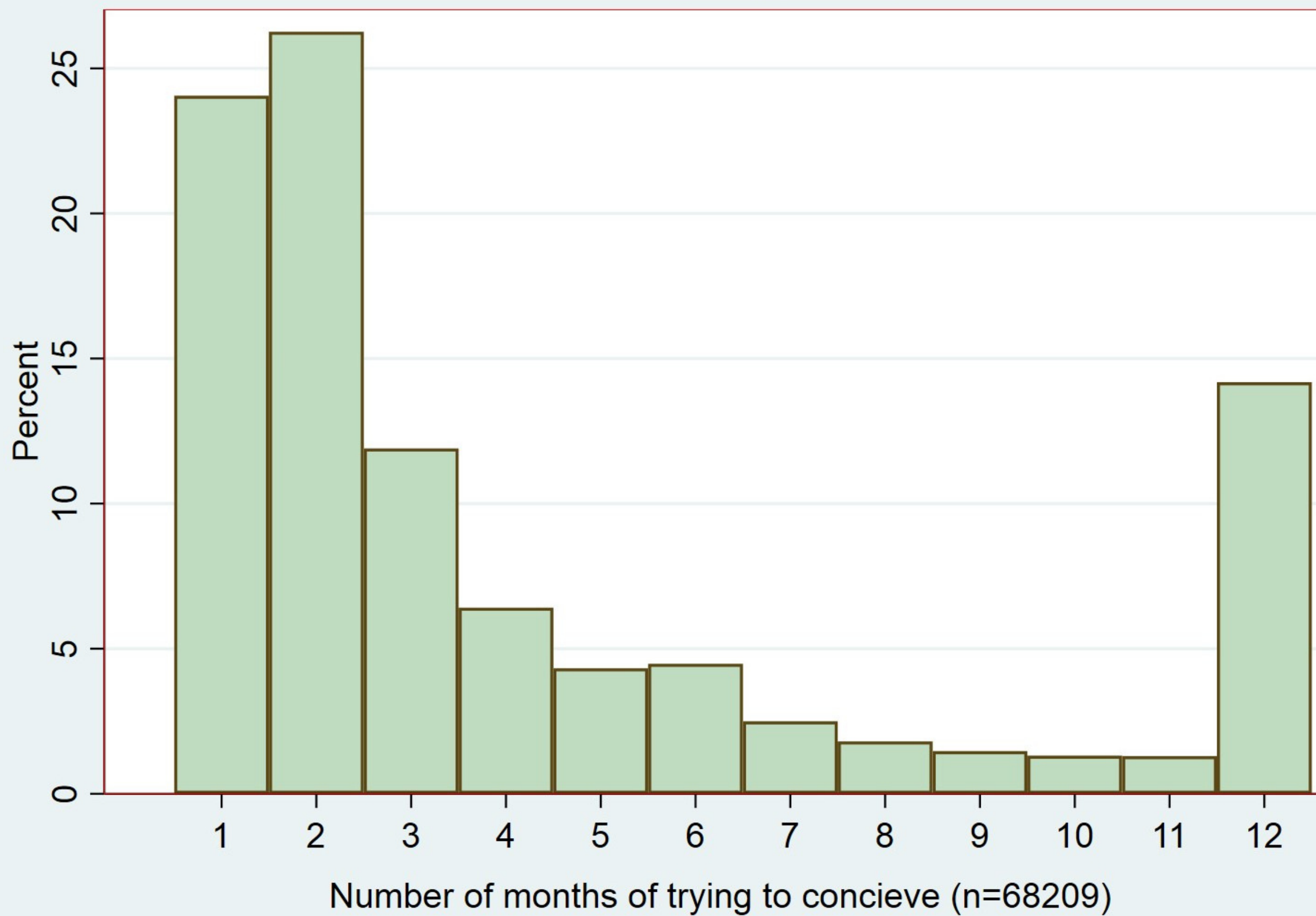
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Mean AAM (SD)	13.02 (1.3)						
Infertility treatment**, n (%)							
Yes, ever treated, n (%)	6406 (9.52)	166 (0.25)	638 (0.95)	4700 (6.89)	599 (0.88)	303 (0.44)	940 (1.38)
- Yes, treated prior to this pregnancy, n (%)	4758	110	473	3511	436	228	
No, never treated, n (%)	60863 (90.48)	1249 (1.86)	5622 (8.36)	45945 (68.30)	5870 (8.73)	2177 (3.24)	
Total	67269	1415	6260	50645	6469	2480	
Ever smoker***, n (%)							
No	33788 (51.40)	657 (1.00)	3145 (4.78)	25315 (38.51)	3284 (5.00)	1387 (2.11)	2479 (3.63)
Yes	31942 (48.60)	725 (1.10)	2991 (4.55)	24138 (36.72)	3040 (4.62)	1048 (1.59)	
Total	65730	1382	6136	49453	6324	2435	
Parity, n (%)							
0	36710 (53.82)	785 (1.15)	3550 (5.20)	27628 (40.50)	3452 (5.06)	1295 (1.90)	0 (0.00)
1	21427 (31.41)	452 (0.66)	1899 (2.78)	16118 (23.63)	2117 (3.10)	841 (1.23)	
2	8472 (12.42)	170 (0.25)	765 (1.12)	6384 (9.36)	824 (1.21)	329 (0.48)	
>=3	1600 (2.35)	28 (0.04)	152 (0.22)	1210 (1.77)	157 (0.23)	53 (0.08)	
Total	68209	1435	6366	51340	6550	2518	
Menstrual cycle characteristics, n (%)							
Short cycle <21 days	2854 (4.30)	59 (0.09)	233 (0.35)	2144 (3.23)	288 (0.43)	130 (0.20)	1894 (2.78)
Normal cycle 21-35 days	59886 (90.31)	1277 (1.93)	5710 (8.61)	45293 (68.30)	5587 (8.42)	2019 (3.04)	
Long cycle >35 days	3575 (5.39)	58 (0.09)	274 (0.41)	2535 (3.82)	446 (0.67)	262 (0.40)	
Total	66315	1394	6217	49972	6321	2411	
Education, n (%)							
< highschool	4570 (6.73)	143 (0.21)	418 (0.63)	3448 (5.08)	401 (0.59)	160 (0.24)	279 (0.41)
Highschool	19458 (28.64)	449 (0.66)	1910 (2.81)	14733 (21.69)	1753 (2.58)	613 (0.90)	
Up to 4 yrs of college	28191 (41.50)	533 (0.78)	2630 (3.87)	21222 (31.24)	2782 (4.10)	1020 (1.50)	
> 4 yrs of college	15710 (23.13)	306 (0.45)	1380 (2.03)	11742 (17.29)	1570 (2.31)	712 (1.05)	
Total	67930	1431	6338	51145	6511	2505	

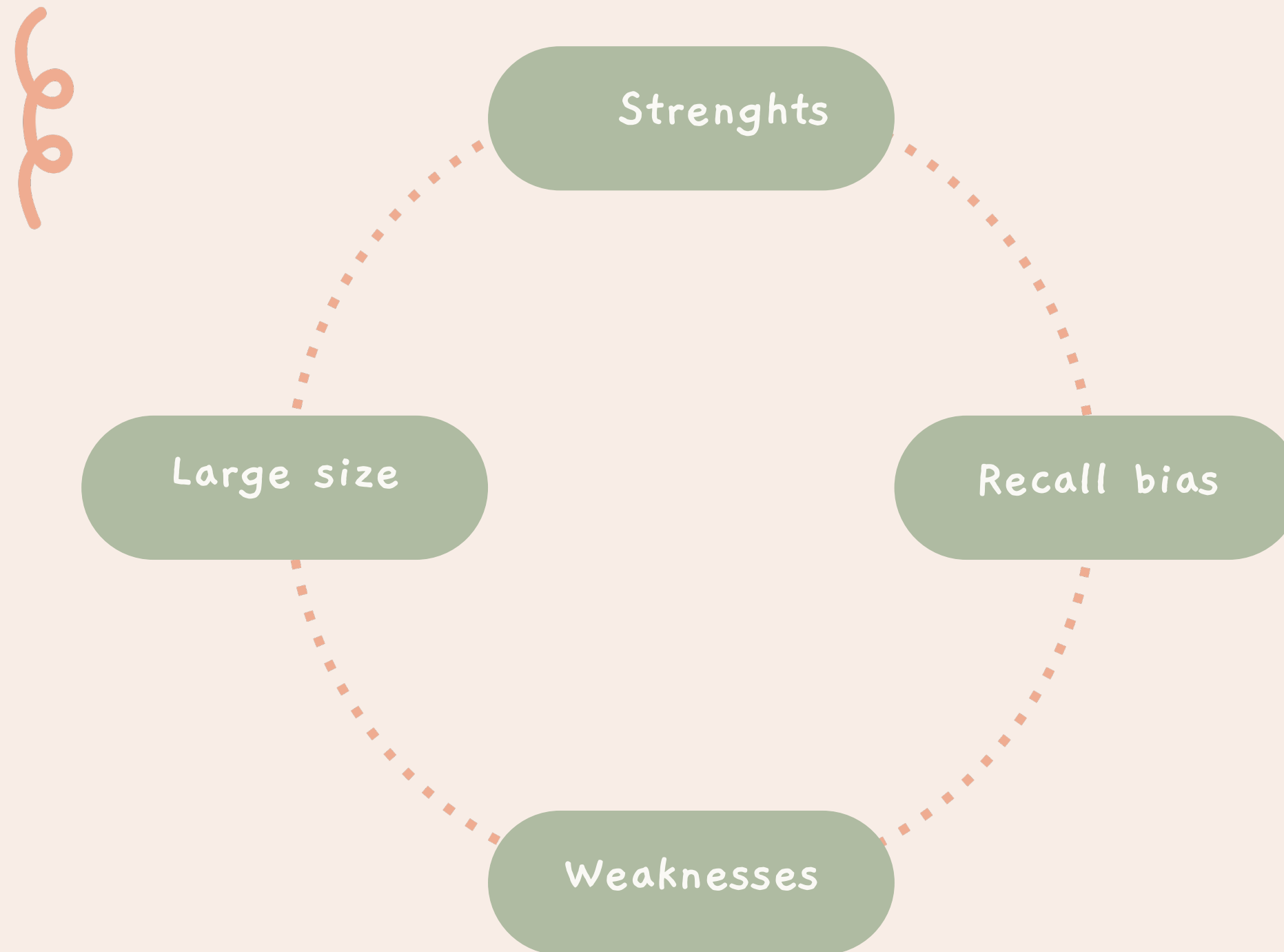
Time to pregnancy



Main analysis							
Table II Relative Risk (RR) of achieveing pregnancy in each cycle up tp 12 cycles according to age at menarche (AAM) N=68209							
AAM (years)	Participants N (%)			Fecundability ratio			
		Crude RR (95% CI)	P-value	Model 1 RR (95% CI)	P-value	Model 2 RR (95% CI)	P-value
< 11	1435 (2.10)	0.88 (0.84-0.93)	<0.001	0.93 (0.89-0.98)	0.016	0.93 (0.89-0.98)	0.017
11	6366 (9.33)	0.97 (0.94-0.99)	0.016	0.99 (0.97-1.02)	0.715	0.99 (0.97-1.02)	0.721
Reference 12-14	51340 (75.27)	1.0		1.0		1.0	
15	6550 (9.60)	1.00 (0.98-1.00)	0.633	0.98 (0.96-1.00)	0.160	0.98 (0.96-1.00)	0.157
> 15	2518 (3.69)	0.97 (0.93-1.01)	0.170	0.94 (0.91-0.98)	0.003	0.94 (0.91-0.98)	0.003
Crude is unadjusted analysis							
Model 1 is adjusted for bmi, education							
Model 2 is adjusted for bmi, education and maternal age							

Sensitivity analysis I (S-I) Excluded those who ever recieved treatment for infertility N=61803							
Table S-I Relative Risk (RR) of achieveing pregnancy in each cycle up tp 12 cycles according to age at menarche (AAM)							
AAM (years)	Participants N (%)	Fecundability ratio					
		Crude		Model 1		Model 2	
		RR (95% CI)	P-value	RR (95% CI)	P-value	RR (95% CI)	P-value
< 11	1269 (2.05)	0.90 (0.85-0.94)	<0.001	0.94 (0.89-0.99)	0.032	0.94 (0.89-0.99)	0.031
11	5728 (9.27)	0.99 (0.96-1.01)	0.459	1.01 (0.98-1.03)	0.338	1.01 (0.98-1.03)	0.345
Reference 12-14	46640 (75.47)	1.0		1.0		1.0	
15	5951 (9.63)	1.00 (0.97-1.02)	0.799	0.98 (0.95-1.00)	0.129	0.98 (0.95-1.00)	0.133
> 15	2215 (3.58)	1.00 (0.96-1.03)	1.000	0.97 (0.93-1.00)	0.148	0.97 (0.93-1.01)	1.153

Discussion



Conclusion

**Both early (<11)
and late (>15)
menarche is
associated with
reduced
fecundability**



Questions?

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All MoBa mothers included with index pregnancy in Moba.

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Dropped if NO info on planning pregnancy OR TTP: 763

Dropped planners if NO info on TTP: 854 (Total Dropped due to pregnancy planning or TTP missing:
1617)

Dropped if age at menarche is over 20 or under 8: 168

N= 83116

Dropped due to not planned pregnancy: 14907

N=68209