

A National Survey of Utilization of Sources of Family Planning Program in Thailand 1996

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This survey provided detailed method-specific contraceptive sources including both government and private outlets. It confirmed that government sources were major sources of family planning services for all methods. Three-fourth of current users were using contraceptive service from the government. Sub-district health centers were the most popular source of contraception. The main source of private sector were drug-stores, especially in urban areas.

Considering the socio-economic characteristic of users, women who had higher educational and occupational status were more likely to use contraceptive service from private sources. Regarding user's perspective of contraceptive service, although three-fourth appreciated the services, others recommended that government health officers should be improved on their relationship to the clients, and that better and faster service and more appropriate surrounding in the service areas should be promoted.