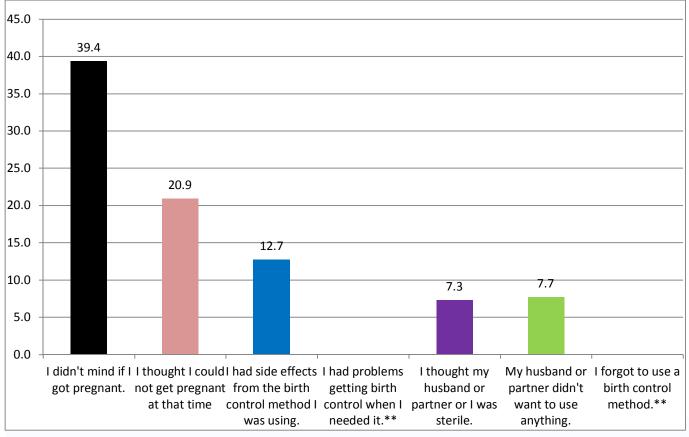
## **Reported Reason for Not Using Birth Control**

Reported reasons for not using birth control among new mothers in Illinois who were not trying to get pregnant

**Survey Question 16**: What were your reasons or your husband's or partner's reasons for not doing anything to keep from getting pregnant?



| **<30respondents  |                         |                     |                          |   |
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|   | Percentage <sup>1</sup> | 95% CI <sup>2</sup> | Respondents <sup>3</sup> | Estimated Population  Affected <sup>4</sup> |
| I didn't mind if I got pregnant.                              | 39.4                    | 34.4 - 44.7         | 168                      | 17,569                                      |
| I thought I could not get pregnant at that time               | 20.9                    | 16.9 - 25.6         | 87                       | 9,340                                       |
| I had side effects from the birth control method I was using. | 12.7                    | 9.5 - 16.7          | 54                       | 5,661                                       |
| I had problems getting birth control when I needed it.**      |                         |                     |                          |   |
| I thought my husband or partner or I was sterile.             | 7.3                     | 5.0 - 10.7          | 30                       | 3,272                                       |
| My husband or partner didn't want to use anything.            | 7.7                     | 5.3 - 11.1          | 33                       | 3,439                                       |
| I forgot to use a birth control method.**                     |                         |                     |                          |   |

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>**Percentage** = Weighted percentage of Illinois mothers giving birth to live infants in 2014 who responded as indicated to the survey question for the specified indicator

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>**CI** = confidence interval

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup>Respondents (N) = Total number of mothers who responded as indicated to the survey question for the specified indicator

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup>Estimated population affected = Estimated number of Illinois mothers giving birth in 2014 who would respond as indicated to the survey question for the specified indicator