

TABLE 5.—DISTRIBUTION OF CASES AND CONTROLS WITH REGARD TO SOME RELEVANT CHARACTERISTICS ON WHICH MATCHING WAS NOT ATTEMPTED

[Numbers in parentheses are exclusive of all pairs in which the thromboembolism case was a student nurse]

	Cases		Controls	
Total.....	175	(149)	175	(149)
Family Income:				
Under \$4,000.....	19	(18)	17	(16)
\$4,000 to \$8,000.....	50	(48)	52	(47)
\$8,000 to \$15,000.....	61	(48)	67	(55)
\$15,000 and over.....	42	(33)	32	(26)
Religion of patient:				
Protestant.....	66	(63)	59	(56)
Catholic.....	56	(47)	63	(53)
Jewish.....	47	(33)	44	(33)
Other, none or unstated.....	6	(6)	9	(7)
Education of patient:				
Less than 12 grades.....	28	(28)	32	(30)
High school completion.....	45	(43)	65	(59)
Some college.....	66	(43)	39	(26)
College completion, or post-graduate studies.....	36	(35)	39	(34)
Use of cigarettes prior to hospitalization:				
Nonsmoker.....	74	(63)	72	(61)
Less than ½ pack.....	17	(15)	20	(16)
About ½ pack.....	15	(13)	21	(16)
About 1 pack.....	55	(45)	42	(38)
About 2 packs, or more.....	14	(13)	20	(18)
Patient's maximum past weight:				
Under 120 pounds.....	22	(18)	27	(18)
120-159 pounds.....	110	(93)	115	(101)
160 and over.....	43	(38)	33	(30)
Employment status at hospitalization:				
Patient was working outside home.....	114	(88)	94	(74)
Patient not working.....	61	(61)	81	(75)
Patient (or husband) employed in a medical or hospital setting:				
Yes.....	77	(51)	36	(25)
No.....	98	(98)	139	(124)

TABLE 6.—METHODS OF CONTRACEPTION USED WITHIN 2 YEARS PRIOR TO ADMISSION¹

	Cases	Controls
Oral contraceptives ²	67	30
Condom.....	41	42
Diaphragm.....	40	34
Rhythm.....	21	14
Jelly, creams.....	19	9
Douche.....	11	11
Withdrawal.....	8	8
Other.....	18	15
Total women using one or more methods.....	114	101

¹ Many women had used multiple methods; hence, numbers in table not additive.² Totals are smaller than in following tables because some women used the tablets for other than contraceptive purposes.

TABLE 7.—TIME OF LAST USE OF ORAL CONTRACEPTIVES PRIOR TO HOSPITALIZATION, FOR CASES AND CONTROLS WHO HAD USED THEM WITHIN 2 YEARS

	Cases	Control
Used up to admission.....	64	22
Discontinued within 1 month before admission.....	3	1
Discontinued 1 to 5 months before admission.....	4	5
Discontinued 6 to 11 months before admission.....	3	2
Discontinued 1 to 2 years before admission.....	3	4
Uncertain.....	1	0
Total.....	78	34