

Supporting Information

Supplementary Table S1. Selected characteristics of women included in the study of hysterectomy in rural Anyang, China, 2009-2011

Variables	No. (%)
Total	3,328 (100.00)
Age (years)	
Median (Interquartile range)	43 (36-54)
25-40	896 (26.92)
41-56	1,593 (47.87)
57-69	839 (25.21)
Marital status	
Never married, divorced, separated or widowed	182 (5.47)
Married or cohabiting	3,095 (95.00)
Unknown	51 (1.53)
Type of employment	
Farming	2,946 (88.52)
Non-farming	331 (9.95)
Unknown	51 (1.53)
Education level	
Illiteracy (<1 year) or primary school (1-6 years)	1,886 (56.67)
Junior high school (7-9 years)	1,204 (36.18)
Senior high school or above (>9 years)	182 (5.47)
Unknown	56 (1.68)
Household annual income, RMB	
≤10,000	534 (16.05)
10,001-29,999	551 (16.56)
≥30,000	659 (19.80)
Unknown	1,584 (47.60)
Cigarette smoking	
Never	3,268 (98.20)
Ever	9 (0.27)
Unknown	51 (1.53)
Alcohol consumption	
Never	3,270 (98.26)
Ever	7 (0.21)
Unknown	51 (1.53)
Body mass index (BMI), Kg/m ²	
Normal weight (18.5 ≤ BMI < 24.0)	1,398 (42.01)
Overweight (24.0 ≤ BMI < 28.0)	1,045 (31.40)
Obese (BMI ≥ 28.0)	621 (18.66)

Underweight (BMI < 18.5)	102 (3.06)
Unknown	162 (4.87)
Age (years) at menarche	
≤15	1,440 (43.27)
16-18	1,436 (43.15)
≥19	367 (11.03)
Unknown	85 (2.55)
Menstruation	
Regular	2,296 (68.99)
Irregular	951 (28.58)
Unknown	81 (2.43)
Age (years) at first birth	
≤22	1,326 (39.84)
23-24	1,133 (34.04)
≥25	765 (22.99)
Unknown	104 (3.13)
Parity	
≤ 2	1,992 (59.86)
> 2	1,255 (37.71)
Unknown	81 (2.43)
History of fetal loss	
Never	1,875 (56.34)
Ever	1,453 (43.66)
Unknown	
Use of intrauterine contraceptive device	
No	698 (20.97)
Yes	2,574 (77.34)
Unknown	56 (1.68)
Tubal ligation	
No	2,011 (60.43)
Yes	1,261 (37.89)
Unknown	56 (1.68)
History of cervicitis	
Never	2,625 (78.88)
Ever	455 (13.67)
Unknown	248 (7.45)
History of vaginitis	
Never	2,490 (74.82)
Ever	592 (17.79)
Unknown	246 (7.39)
History of pelvic inflammation	
Never	2,898 (87.08)
Ever	185 (5.56)
Unknown	245 (7.36)

History of post-intercourse bleeding	
Never	2,954 (88.76)
Ever	293 (8.80)
Unknown	81 (2.43)
Genital washing before sex	
Rare	2,415 (72.57)
Occasional	411 (12.35)
Often	450 (13.52)
Unknown	52 (1.56)
