**RESULTS**

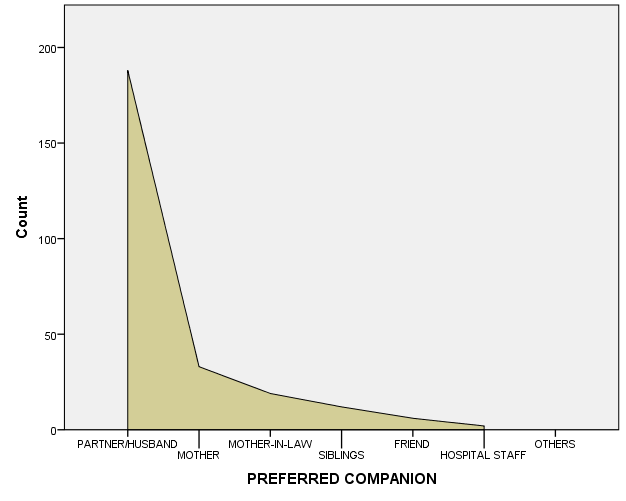
TABLE I : **AWARENESS OF COMPANIONSHIP AMONG THE RESPONDENTS**

|  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | | Freq | Percent | Chi2 |
| Awareness of companionship in labour  Companionship in previous childbirth | YES | 167 | 57.2 | 78.248 |
| NO | 123 | 42.1 |  |
| I DON'T KNOW | 2 | 0.7 |  |
| Total | 292 | 100 | P=0.00004 |
| YES | 30 | 18.00 |  |
| NO | 137 | 82.00 |  |

Table II: **ASSOCIATION BETWEEN SOCIO-DEMOGRAPHIC CHARACTERISTICS OF THE RESPONDENTS AND THEIR DESIRABILITY FOR COMPANIONSHIP IN LABOUR**

|  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Variables | |  | |  |
| YES | | NO | |  |  |
| Freq | Percent (%) | Freq | Percent (%) | Chi2 | p-Value |
| AGE | ≤ 20 YEARS | 4 | 1.37 | 0 | 0.0 |  |  |
| 21 - 30 YEARS | 120 | 41.1 | 14 | 4.80 |  |  |
| 31 - 40 YEARS | 129 | 44.20 | 16 | 5.48 |  |  |
| 41 - 50 YEARS | 6 | 2.05 | 0 | 0.0 | 1.226 | 0.747 |
| MARITAL STATUS | SINGLE | 6 | 2.05 | 0 | 0.0 |  |  |
| MARRIED | 254 | 87.00 | 30 | 10.27 |  |  |
| WIDOWED | 2 | 0.7 | 0 | 0.0 |  |  |
| SEPARATED | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.0 | 0.953 | 0.621 |
| NUMBER OF CHILDREN  (PARITY) | 0 | 47 | 16.10 | 16 | 5.48 |  |  |
| 1-2 | 135 | 46.20 | 7 | 2.4 |  |  |
| 3-4 | 75 | 25.70 | 14 | 4.80 |  |  |
| 5 or more | 2 | 0.7 | 2 | 0.7 | 15.611 | 0.008 |
| BOOKING STATUS | BOOKED | 240 | 82.19 | 22 | 7.53 |  |  |
| UNBOOKED | 22 | 7.53 | 8 | 2.74 | 9.409 | 0.002 |
| RELIGION | ISLAM | 139 | 47.60 | 27 | 9.25 |  |  |
| CHRISTIANITY | 118 | 40.41 | 6 | 2.05 |  |  |
| TRADITIONAL | 2 | 0.70 | 0 | 0.0 |  |  |
| OTHERS | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.0 | 11.974 | 0.003 |
| OCCUPATION | UNEMPLOYED | 20 | 6.85 | 6 | 2.05 |  |  |
| SELF-EMPLOYED | 127 | 43.49 | 22 | 7.53 |  |  |
| UNSKILLED | 5 | 1.71 | 0 | 0.0 |  |  |
| SKILLED | 50 | 17.12 | 0 | 0.0 |  |  |
| PROFESSIONAL | 59 | 20.21 | 3 | 1.03 | 17.505 | 0.002 |
| Ethnic group | Yoruba | 206 | 70.55 | 18 | 6.16 | 13.523 | 0.004 |
| Hausa/Fulani | 20 | 6.85 | 8 | 2.74 |
| Igbo | 13 | 4.45 | 3 | 1.03 |
| Others | 20 | 6.85 | 4 | 1.37 |
| Level of education | Primary | 7 | 2.40 | 2 | 0.70 | 38.005 | 0.0018 |
| Secondary | 50 | 17.12 | 14 | 4.80 |
| Tertiary | 200 | 68.50 | 13 | 4.45 |

**Figure 1.PREFERRED COMPANIONS BY THE RESPONDENTS**



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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Table III. DESIRE FOR DELIVERY AT HOSPITAL WITH PROVISION FOR COMPANIONSHIP IN LABOUR** | | | | |
|  | | | | |
|  | | Frequency | Percent (%) | Cum Percent |
|  | YES | 268 | 91.8 | 91.8 |
| NO | 24 | 8.2 | 100.0 |
| Total | 292 | 100.0 |  |