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ABSTRACT

In this study, 320 patients who had caeserian section at Pumwani Maternity Hospital were interviewed by means of a structured questionnaire administered by the chief investigator. They were also examined daily till they left the hospital.

From the study, it was found that 94.8% of all the patients were less than 34 years. 78.1% were married. 60% were semiliterate with 7 years or less of education. 36% of the patients were nulliparous and 91.6% had 4 or less children. The caeserian section rate was found to be 6.8%. 36% of the caeserian sections were primary and 64% were repeat. The perinatal mortality rate was 118 per 1000 and the maternal mortality rate was found to be 0.63%. The maternal morbidity rate was 19.0%. 