

Chapter 7. Employment and Day Care

Table 7.1. Percent of mothers who worked for pay at anytime from the 3 months before they became pregnant up to the end of their pregnancy by selected demographics¹

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| | N | Yes | No | Total (%) |
|------------------------------|----------|------------|-----------|------------------|
| ALL | 2,366 | 60.7 | 39.3 | 100 |
| Age | | | | |
| 18-24 | 487 | 62.2 | 37.8 | 100 |
| 25-29 | 796 | 60.4 | 39.6 | 100 |
| 30-34 | 676 | 58.7 | 41.3 | 100 |
| 35+ | 405 | 63.0 | 37.0 | 100 |
| Parity | | | | |
| Primiparous | 669 | 77.9 | 22.1 | 100 |
| Multiparous | 1,647 | 53.4 | 46.6 | 100 |
| Education | | | | |
| HS or less | 425 | 53.4 | 46.6 | 100 |
| Some college | 856 | 58.1 | 41.9 | 100 |
| College graduate | 933 | 66.3 | 33.7 | 100 |
| Income (% of poverty) | | | | |
| < 185% | 951 | 51.2 | 48.8 | 100 |
| 185- < 350% | 843 | 61.9 | 38.1 | 100 |
| >=350% | 572 | 74.8 | 25.2 | 100 |
| WIC Participant | | | | |
| No | 1,470 | 63.5 | 36.5 | 100 |
| Yes | 896 | 56.1 | 43.9 | 100 |
| Race | | | | |
| White | 1,974 | 60.9 | 39.1 | 100 |
| Black | 99 | 68.7 | 31.3 | 100 |
| Hispanic | 130 | 60.0 | 40.0 | 100 |
| Region | | | | |
| Northeast | 420 | 62.1 | 37.9 | 100 |
| Midwest | 724 | 64.8 | 35.2 | 100 |
| South | 744 | 58.5 | 41.5 | 100 |
| West | 478 | 56.9 | 43.1 | 100 |

¹ Table is based on variable: M3H4

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Table 7.2. Percent of mothers who stopped working at different months of pregnancy by selected demographics¹, among mothers who worked for pay at anytime from the 3 months before they became pregnant up to the end of their pregnancy

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| | N | Before becoming pregnant | < 3 months | 3-5 months | 6-7 months | 8 months | 9 months | Didn't stop working before birth | Total(%) |
|------------------------------|-------|--------------------------|------------|------------|------------|----------|----------|----------------------------------|----------|
| ALL | 1,407 | 1.9 | 5.8 | 7.7 | 8.0 | 14.2 | 24.2 | 38.2 | 100 |
| Age | | | | | | | | | |
| 18-24 | 299 | 3.3 | 11.0 | 15.4 | 8.7 | 16.4 | 22.4 | 22.7 | 100 |
| 25-29 | 467 | 1.9 | 5.1 | 6.6 | 9.2 | 14.6 | 25.5 | 37.0 | 100 |
| 30-34 | 391 | 1.3 | 3.8 | 5.9 | 5.6 | 14.1 | 23.5 | 45.8 | 100 |
| 35+ | 249 | 1.2 | 3.6 | 3.2 | 8.8 | 11.2 | 24.9 | 47.0 | 100 |
| Parity | | | | | | | | | |
| Primiparous | 514 | 1.6 | 5.6 | 7.0 | 8.8 | 15.4 | 25.7 | 36.0 | 100 |
| Multiparous | 858 | 2.1 | 5.8 | 8.2 | 7.6 | 13.1 | 23.5 | 39.7 | 100 |
| Education | | | | | | | | | |
| HS or less | 222 | 5.0 | 14.4 | 13.5 | 6.8 | 16.7 | 14.9 | 28.8 | 100 |
| Some college | 488 | 1.6 | 6.4 | 8.8 | 8.8 | 15.6 | 22.7 | 36.1 | 100 |
| College graduate | 604 | 0.8 | 2.3 | 3.6 | 7.0 | 11.9 | 27.8 | 46.5 | 100 |
| Income (% of poverty) | | | | | | | | | |
| < 185% | 473 | 3.0 | 10.6 | 12.3 | 9.5 | 14.4 | 19.7 | 30.7 | 100 |
| 185- < 350% | 512 | 2.0 | 4.9 | 7.0 | 7.6 | 15.6 | 24.2 | 38.7 | 100 |
| >=350% | 422 | 0.7 | 1.4 | 3.3 | 6.9 | 12.3 | 29.1 | 46.2 | 100 |
| WIC Participant | | | | | | | | | |
| No | 916 | 1.2 | 3.2 | 5.1 | 6.6 | 13.6 | 25.2 | 45.1 | 100 |
| Yes | 491 | 3.3 | 10.6 | 12.4 | 10.8 | 15.3 | 22.2 | 25.5 | 100 |
| Race | | | | | | | | | |
| White | 1,179 | 2.0 | 5.4 | 7.3 | 7.5 | 13.6 | 24.3 | 39.9 | 100 |
| Black | 65 | 1.5 | 7.7 | 9.2 | 10.8 | 21.5 | 30.8 | 18.5 | 100 |
| Hispanic | 76 | 1.3 | 9.2 | 9.2 | 11.8 | 15.8 | 21.1 | 31.6 | 100 |
| Region | | | | | | | | | |
| Northeast | 259 | 0.8 | 3.5 | 6.6 | 10.4 | 15.8 | 29.7 | 33.2 | 100 |
| Midwest | 459 | 1.1 | 4.8 | 6.5 | 7.2 | 14.4 | 20.5 | 45.5 | 100 |
| South | 423 | 3.1 | 6.4 | 8.0 | 6.1 | 13.9 | 23.4 | 39.0 | 100 |
| West | 266 | 2.6 | 8.6 | 10.2 | 10.2 | 12.8 | 26.3 | 29.3 | 100 |

¹ Table is based on variable: M3H5

Table 7.3. Percent of mothers who worked for pay any time during the past 4 weeks by infant age¹

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| | Month 3 | | | | Month 6 | | | | Month 9 | | | | Month 12 | | | |
|------------------------------|---------|------|------|----------|---------|------|------|-----------|---------|------|------|----------|----------|------|------|----------|
| | N | Yes | No | Total(%) | N | Yes | No | Total (%) | N | Yes | No | Total(%) | N | Yes | No | Total(%) |
| ALL | 2,371 | 40.3 | 59.7 | 100 | 2,089 | 47.2 | 52.8 | 100 | 1,932 | 50.1 | 49.9 | 100 | 1,794 | 51.6 | 48.4 | 100 |
| Age | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 18-24 | 489 | 37.0 | 63.0 | 100 | 390 | 42.6 | 57.4 | 100 | 332 | 50.6 | 49.4 | 100 | 292 | 49.7 | 50.3 | 100 |
| 25-29 | 793 | 40.7 | 59.3 | 100 | 702 | 46.0 | 54.0 | 100 | 649 | 46.8 | 53.2 | 100 | 605 | 48.4 | 51.6 | 100 |
| 30-34 | 678 | 39.4 | 60.6 | 100 | 628 | 47.5 | 52.5 | 100 | 591 | 49.6 | 50.4 | 100 | 544 | 51.7 | 48.3 | 100 |
| 35+ | 409 | 45.0 | 55.0 | 100 | 367 | 53.7 | 46.3 | 100 | 358 | 56.1 | 43.9 | 100 | 352 | 58.5 | 41.5 | 100 |
| Parity | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Primiparous | 673 | 48.0 | 52.0 | 100 | 591 | 57.0 | 43.0 | 100 | 541 | 62.7 | 37.3 | 100 | 508 | 63.8 | 36.2 | 100 |
| Multiparous | 1,648 | 37.0 | 63.0 | 100 | 1,461 | 42.8 | 57.2 | 100 | 1,359 | 44.7 | 55.3 | 100 | 1,254 | 46.4 | 53.6 | 100 |
| Education | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| HS or less | 426 | 32.6 | 67.4 | 100 | 385 | 36.4 | 63.6 | 100 | 332 | 39.8 | 60.2 | 100 | 298 | 40.6 | 59.4 | 100 |
| Some college | 858 | 38.8 | 61.2 | 100 | 730 | 44.8 | 55.2 | 100 | 674 | 46.7 | 53.3 | 100 | 607 | 47.9 | 52.1 | 100 |
| College graduate | 935 | 45.1 | 54.9 | 100 | 861 | 54.0 | 46.0 | 100 | 831 | 56.4 | 43.6 | 100 | 794 | 58.1 | 41.9 | 100 |
| Income (% of poverty) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| < 185% | 952 | 32.5 | 67.5 | 100 | 821 | 37.8 | 62.2 | 100 | 733 | 40.1 | 59.9 | 100 | 652 | 41.1 | 58.9 | 100 |
| 185- < 350% | 844 | 42.1 | 57.9 | 100 | 751 | 46.7 | 53.3 | 100 | 698 | 50.1 | 49.9 | 100 | 667 | 51.3 | 48.7 | 100 |
| >=350% | 575 | 50.8 | 49.2 | 100 | 517 | 62.7 | 37.3 | 100 | 501 | 64.5 | 35.5 | 100 | 475 | 66.5 | 33.5 | 100 |
| WIC Participant | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| No | 1,473 | 43.0 | 57.0 | 100 | 1,325 | 51.2 | 48.8 | 100 | 1,251 | 53.9 | 46.1 | 100 | 1,187 | 55.0 | 45.0 | 100 |
| Yes | 898 | 35.9 | 64.1 | 100 | 764 | 40.2 | 59.8 | 100 | 681 | 43.0 | 57.0 | 100 | 607 | 45.0 | 55.0 | 100 |
| Race | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| White | 1,978 | 40.5 | 59.5 | 100 | 1,760 | 47.1 | 52.9 | 100 | 1,635 | 50.0 | 50.0 | 100 | 1,516 | 51.7 | 48.3 | 100 |
| Black | 99 | 45.5 | 54.5 | 100 | 67 | 62.7 | 37.3 | 100 | 64 | 64.1 | 35.9 | 100 | 60 | 63.3 | 36.7 | 100 |
| Hispanic | 129 | 34.9 | 65.1 | 100 | 112 | 41.1 | 58.9 | 100 | 106 | 44.3 | 55.7 | 100 | 98 | 46.9 | 53.1 | 100 |
| Region | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Northeast | 421 | 36.3 | 63.7 | 100 | 400 | 50.3 | 49.8 | 100 | 366 | 50.3 | 49.7 | 100 | 346 | 55.2 | 44.8 | 100 |
| Midwest | 727 | 47.6 | 52.4 | 100 | 637 | 51.8 | 48.2 | 100 | 589 | 56.0 | 44.0 | 100 | 563 | 56.0 | 44.0 | 100 |
| South | 746 | 39.3 | 60.7 | 100 | 637 | 43.8 | 56.2 | 100 | 590 | 48.0 | 52.0 | 100 | 534 | 47.8 | 52.2 | 100 |
| West | 477 | 34.4 | 65.6 | 100 | 415 | 42.2 | 57.8 | 100 | 387 | 43.9 | 56.1 | 100 | 351 | 47.0 | 53.0 | 100 |

¹ Table is based on variables: M3H6, M6H13, M9H13, MWH13

Table 7.4. Median infant age in weeks when mothers began working after the delivery by selected demographics¹, among mothers who worked after birth

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| | Month 3 | | Month 6 | | Month 9 | | Month 12 | |
|------------------------------|---------|--------|---------|--------|---------|--------|----------|--------|
| | N | Median | N | Median | N | Median | N | Median |
| ALL | 927 | 8.0 | 972 | 9.6 | 956 | 10.6 | 916 | 12.0 |
| Age | | | | | | | | |
| 18-24 | 173 | 6.3 | 162 | 10.6 | 166 | 11.1 | 144 | 12.9 |
| 25-29 | 313 | 8.0 | 321 | 9.0 | 300 | 9.6 | 288 | 12.0 |
| 30-34 | 262 | 8.6 | 294 | 9.6 | 289 | 10.6 | 277 | 11.6 |
| 35+ | 178 | 8.6 | 194 | 10.6 | 200 | 10.6 | 206 | 11.6 |
| Parity | | | | | | | | |
| Primiparous | 316 | 8.6 | 335 | 10.6 | 335 | 11.6 | 323 | 12.9 |
| Multiparous | 590 | 7.3 | 614 | 8.6 | 601 | 9.6 | 573 | 11.6 |
| Education | | | | | | | | |
| HS or less | 136 | 7.0 | 135 | 8.6 | 131 | 10.6 | 121 | 12.9 |
| Some college | 326 | 7.0 | 324 | 8.6 | 310 | 8.6 | 285 | 11.0 |
| College graduate | 407 | 8.6 | 460 | 10.6 | 465 | 11.0 | 459 | 11.6 |
| Income (% of poverty) | | | | | | | | |
| < 185% | 294 | 6.3 | 305 | 8.6 | 291 | 9.6 | 264 | 12.9 |
| 185- < 350% | 347 | 8.0 | 348 | 8.6 | 346 | 9.6 | 336 | 11.6 |
| >=350% | 286 | 8.6 | 319 | 11.6 | 319 | 11.6 | 316 | 12.0 |
| WIC Participant | | | | | | | | |
| No | 619 | 8.6 | 670 | 10.6 | 666 | 10.6 | 648 | 11.6 |
| Yes | 308 | 7.0 | 302 | 8.6 | 290 | 10.3 | 268 | 12.9 |
| Race | | | | | | | | |
| White | 776 | 8.0 | 818 | 9.6 | 808 | 10.6 | 774 | 11.6 |
| Black | 43 | 8.6 | 41 | 12.9 | 40 | 11.6 | 38 | 12.9 |
| Hispanic | 44 | 8.6 | 45 | 11.0 | 47 | 10.6 | 46 | 12.9 |
| Region | | | | | | | | |
| Northeast | 160 | 8.6 | 171 | 10.6 | 170 | 12.9 | 164 | 12.9 |
| Midwest | 332 | 8.0 | 324 | 9.0 | 326 | 9.6 | 310 | 10.6 |
| South | 283 | 7.3 | 278 | 8.6 | 278 | 9.8 | 253 | 10.6 |
| West | 152 | 8.0 | 199 | 11.6 | 182 | 12.0 | 189 | 12.9 |

¹ Table is based on variables: M3H7, M6H14, M9H14, MWH14

Table 7.5. Percent of mothers who usually worked for each number of hours per week during the past 4 weeks by infant age and selected demographics¹, among mothers who worked during these periods

Infant Feeding Practices Study II

| | Month 3 | Month 6 | Month 9 | Month 12 |
|-------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|-----------------|
| 1 to 9 hrs/week | 17.8 | 13.6 | 12.0 | 11.6 |
| 10 to 19 hrs/week | 13.4 | 12.4 | 12.6 | 11.8 |
| 20 to 29 hrs/week | 15.1 | 15.4 | 16.9 | 18.3 |
| 30 to 34 hrs/week | 7.4 | 8.3 | 9.0 | 8.1 |
| 35 to 40 hrs/week | 34.8 | 34.7 | 33.4 | 35.2 |
| >40 hrs/week | 11.6 | 15.6 | 16.2 | 15.1 |
| Total (%) | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 |
| N | 941 | 979 | 960 | 917 |

¹ Table is based on variables: M3H8, M6H15, M9H15, MWH15

Table 7.6. Percent of mothers who worked in each type of setting by selected demographics¹, among mothers who worked during the past 4 weeks of month 3 survey

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| | N | A building | A private residence | A Vehicle | Outdoor | Other | Total (%) |
|------------------------------|-----|------------|---------------------|-----------|---------|-------|-----------|
| ALL | 941 | 72.9 | 20.7 | 1.2 | 0.7 | 4.5 | 100 |
| Age | | | | | | | |
| 18-24 | 179 | 72.6 | 19.6 | 1.7 | 0.6 | 5.6 | 100 |
| 25-29 | 316 | 73.7 | 21.5 | 0.6 | 0.9 | 3.2 | 100 |
| 30-34 | 263 | 76.0 | 17.1 | 1.1 | 1.1 | 4.6 | 100 |
| 35+ | 182 | 67.0 | 25.8 | 1.6 | 0.0 | 5.5 | 100 |
| Parity | | | | | | | |
| Primiparous | 319 | 79.6 | 15.0 | 0.9 | 1.3 | 3.1 | 100 |
| Multiparous | 600 | 69.2 | 24.0 | 1.3 | 0.5 | 5.0 | 100 |
| Education | | | | | | | |
| HS or less | 138 | 67.4 | 21.0 | 2.2 | 0.7 | 8.7 | 100 |
| Some college | 328 | 73.2 | 21.0 | 1.5 | 0.6 | 3.7 | 100 |
| College graduate | 414 | 73.4 | 21.5 | 0.7 | 1.0 | 3.4 | 100 |
| Income (% of poverty) | | | | | | | |
| < 185% | 302 | 70.9 | 22.5 | 0.7 | 0.7 | 5.3 | 100 |
| 185- < 350% | 351 | 71.8 | 19.9 | 2.3 | 0.6 | 5.4 | 100 |
| >=350% | 288 | 76.4 | 19.8 | 0.3 | 1.0 | 2.4 | 100 |
| WIC Participant | | | | | | | |
| No | 625 | 73.0 | 21.0 | 1.0 | 0.8 | 4.3 | 100 |
| Yes | 316 | 72.8 | 20.3 | 1.6 | 0.6 | 4.7 | 100 |
| Race | | | | | | | |
| White | 789 | 70.6 | 22.9 | 1.3 | 0.9 | 4.3 | 100 |
| Black | 43 | 88.4 | 4.7 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 7.0 | 100 |
| Hispanic | 44 | 86.4 | 9.1 | 2.3 | 0.0 | 2.3 | 100 |
| Region | | | | | | | |
| Northeast | 152 | 71.7 | 22.4 | 1.3 | 0.0 | 4.6 | 100 |
| Midwest | 338 | 76.3 | 17.8 | 0.6 | 1.5 | 3.8 | 100 |
| South | 288 | 72.6 | 20.5 | 2.1 | 0.7 | 4.2 | 100 |
| West | 163 | 67.5 | 25.8 | 0.6 | 0.0 | 6.1 | 100 |

¹ Table is based on variable: M3H9

Table 7.7. Percent of mothers who ranked their paid work with each level of satisfaction by infant age¹, among mothers who worked during the past 4 weeks

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| Level of Satisfaction | Month 3 | Month 6 | Month 9 | Month 12 |
|------------------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|-----------------|
| None (1) | 4.0 | 3.1 | 3.6 | 2.3 |
| 2 | 11.0 | 9.8 | 8.6 | 10.3 |
| 3 | 26.3 | 30.8 | 31.2 | 30.1 |
| 4 | 38.5 | 37.5 | 37.7 | 37.4 |
| Very much (5) | 20.3 | 18.9 | 18.9 | 19.8 |
| Total (%) | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 |
| N | 928 | 974 | 956 | 919 |

¹ Table is based on variables: M3H10, M6H16, M9H16, MWH16

Table 7.8. Percent of mothers who arranged each kind of baby care while they worked by infant age^{1, 2}, among mothers who worked during the past 4 weeks

Infant Feeding Practices Study II

| | Month 3 | Month 6 | Month 9 | Month 12 |
|--|----------------|----------------|----------------|-----------------|
| Baby is cared by a family member | 56.7 | 56.4 | 54.5 | 53.6 |
| Baby is cared by someone not in the family | 32.1 | 36.0 | 40.0 | 41.7 |
| Mom keeps baby with her while she works at home | 17.8 | 14.3 | 14.5 | 12.8 |
| Mom keeps baby with her while she works outside her home | 10.3 | 9.4 | 8.0 | 5.3 |
| N | 939 | 978 | 961 | 923 |

¹ Table is based on variables: M3H11A-D, M6H17A-D, M9H18A-D, MWH17A-D

² Column percentages do not add up to 100% because mothers could choose all that apply

Table 7.9. Percent of mothers indicating each level of breastfeeding support from their place of employment¹, among mothers who worked during the past 4 weeks

Infant Feeding Practices Study II

| | Month 3 | Month 6 | Month 9 | Month 12 |
|-----------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|-----------------|
| Not at all supportive | 8.0 | 8.0 | 10.0 | 8.6 |
| Not too supportive | 11.3 | 12.3 | 10.5 | 12.5 |
| Somewhat supportive | 30.6 | 31.9 | 31.3 | 32.4 |
| Very supportive | 50.1 | 47.8 | 48.2 | 46.6 |
| Total (%) | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 |
| N | 902 | 927 | 913 | 865 |

¹ Table is based on variables: M3H12, M6H18, M9H19, MWH18

Table 7.10. Percent of mothers who used each strategy for breastfeeding while working by infant age^{1, 2}, among mothers who breastfed and worked during the past 4 weeks

Infant Feeding Practices Study II

| | Month 3 | Month 6 | Month 9 | Month 12 |
|---|---------|---------|---------|----------|
| I keep my baby with me while I work and breastfeed during my work day | 31.7 | 28.6 | 27.7 | 22.0 |
| I go to my baby and breastfeed him or her during my work day | 8.2 | 11.3 | 10.7 | 8.6 |
| My baby is brought to me to breastfeed during my work day | 4.1 | 3.9 | 3.0 | 3.0 |
| I pump milk during my work day and save it for my baby to drink later | 57.5 | 54.8 | 47.0 | 24.1 |
| I pump milk during my work day, but I do not save it for my baby to drink later | 1.0 | 0.7 | 1.2 | 0.4 |
| I neither pump milk nor breastfeed during my work day | 12.5 | 15.7 | 23.2 | 46.1 |
| N | 511 | 434 | 336 | 232 |

¹ Table is based on variables: M3H14A-F, M6H20A-F, M9H21A-F, MWH20A-F

² Column percentages do not add up to 100% because mothers could choose all that apply

Table 7.11. Percent of mothers who experienced each problem combining breastfeeding and work by infant age^{1, 2}, among mothers who breastfed and worked during the past 4 weeks

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| | Month 3 | Month 6 | Month 9 | Month 12 |
|--|---------|---------|---------|----------|
| A coworker made negative comments or complained to me about breastfeeding | 4.3 | 3.3 | 3.6 | 3.9 |
| My employer or my supervisor made negative comments or complained to me | 1.6 | 3.0 | 1.8 | 2.2 |
| It was hard for me to arrange break time for breastfeeding or pumping milk | 30.2 | 31.6 | 29.6 | 21.0 |
| It was hard for me to find a place to breastfeed or pump milk | 19.5 | 16.8 | 18.2 | 11.0 |
| It was hard for me to arrange a place to store pumped breast milk | 5.5 | 3.7 | 5.4 | 4.4 |
| It was hard for me to carry the equipment I needed to pump milk at work | 10.1 | 6.8 | 5.1 | 4.4 |
| I felt worried about keeping my job because of breastfeeding | 4.1 | 2.6 | 3.0 | 1.8 |
| I felt worried about continuing to breastfeed because of my job | 17.7 | 14.0 | 9.6 | 8.4 |
| I felt embarrassed among coworkers, my supervisor, or my employer because of breastfeeding | 8.2 | 4.4 | 5.1 | 4.0 |
| N | 515 | 429 | 337 | 228 |

¹ Table is based on variables: M3H15A-I, M6H21A-I, M9H22A-I, MWH21A-I

² Column percentages do not add up to 100% because mothers could choose all that apply

Table 7.12. Percent of mothers whose babies were cared for by someone other than their mother on a regular schedule during the past 4 weeks by infant age and selected demographics¹

Infant Feeding Practices Study II

| | Month 3 | | | | Month 6 | | | | Month 9 | | | | Month 12 | | | |
|------------------------------|---------|------|------|----------|---------|------|------|----------|---------|------|------|----------|----------|------|------|----------|
| | N | Yes | No | Total(%) | N | Yes | No | Total(%) | N | Yes | No | Total(%) | N | Yes | No | Total(%) |
| ALL | 2,388 | 34.6 | 65.4 | 100 | 2,095 | 41.4 | 58.6 | 100 | 1,944 | 43.8 | 56.2 | 100 | 1,806 | 44.9 | 55.1 | 100 |
| Age | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 18-24 | 491 | 36.5 | 63.5 | 100 | 393 | 40.7 | 59.3 | 100 | 336 | 47.6 | 52.4 | 100 | 294 | 47.6 | 52.4 | 100 |
| 25-29 | 803 | 34.4 | 65.6 | 100 | 702 | 39.5 | 60.5 | 100 | 650 | 40.3 | 59.7 | 100 | 609 | 40.7 | 59.3 | 100 |
| 30-34 | 681 | 33.9 | 66.1 | 100 | 630 | 41.4 | 58.6 | 100 | 597 | 43.2 | 56.8 | 100 | 548 | 44.9 | 55.1 | 100 |
| 35+ | 411 | 33.8 | 66.2 | 100 | 368 | 45.9 | 54.1 | 100 | 359 | 47.4 | 52.6 | 100 | 354 | 49.4 | 50.6 | 100 |
| Parity | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Primiparous | 677 | 45.8 | 54.2 | 100 | 593 | 53.8 | 46.2 | 100 | 543 | 56.0 | 44.0 | 100 | 512 | 59.0 | 41.0 | 100 |
| Multiparous | 1,659 | 29.6 | 70.4 | 100 | 1,465 | 35.9 | 64.1 | 100 | 1,369 | 38.5 | 61.5 | 100 | 1,262 | 38.7 | 61.3 | 100 |
| Education | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| HS or less | 430 | 29.5 | 70.5 | 100 | 385 | 36.6 | 63.4 | 100 | 335 | 37.3 | 62.7 | 100 | 300 | 37.0 | 63.0 | 100 |
| Some college | 862 | 33.3 | 66.7 | 100 | 734 | 36.4 | 63.6 | 100 | 679 | 39.5 | 60.5 | 100 | 612 | 40.5 | 59.5 | 100 |
| College graduate | 942 | 36.3 | 63.7 | 100 | 861 | 46.8 | 53.2 | 100 | 834 | 48.7 | 51.3 | 100 | 796 | 50.4 | 49.6 | 100 |
| Income (% of poverty) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| < 185% | 959 | 29.4 | 70.6 | 100 | 824 | 34.1 | 65.9 | 100 | 735 | 36.2 | 63.8 | 100 | 659 | 35.1 | 64.9 | 100 |
| 185- < 350% | 850 | 35.3 | 64.7 | 100 | 753 | 40.0 | 60.0 | 100 | 706 | 43.6 | 56.4 | 100 | 672 | 44.0 | 56.0 | 100 |
| >=350% | 579 | 42.1 | 57.9 | 100 | 518 | 55.2 | 44.8 | 100 | 503 | 55.1 | 44.9 | 100 | 475 | 59.6 | 40.4 | 100 |
| WIC Participant | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| No | 1,483 | 35.3 | 64.7 | 100 | 1,326 | 43.6 | 56.4 | 100 | 1,259 | 45.4 | 54.6 | 100 | 1,189 | 47.0 | 53.0 | 100 |
| Yes | 905 | 33.4 | 66.6 | 100 | 769 | 37.7 | 62.3 | 100 | 685 | 40.7 | 59.3 | 100 | 617 | 40.7 | 59.3 | 100 |
| Race | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| White | 1,991 | 33.8 | 66.2 | 100 | 1,764 | 39.9 | 60.1 | 100 | 1,644 | 42.5 | 57.5 | 100 | 1,526 | 44.6 | 55.4 | 100 |
| Black | 99 | 44.4 | 55.6 | 100 | 68 | 60.3 | 39.7 | 100 | 64 | 64.1 | 35.9 | 100 | 61 | 65.6 | 34.4 | 100 |
| Hispanic | 132 | 36.4 | 63.6 | 100 | 113 | 47.8 | 52.2 | 100 | 107 | 45.8 | 54.2 | 100 | 98 | 40.8 | 59.2 | 100 |
| Region | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Northeast | 425 | 31.5 | 68.5 | 100 | 400 | 43.5 | 56.5 | 100 | 370 | 44.6 | 55.4 | 100 | 350 | 46.6 | 53.4 | 100 |
| Midwest | 732 | 40.4 | 59.6 | 100 | 640 | 46.1 | 53.9 | 100 | 592 | 48.6 | 51.4 | 100 | 568 | 50.0 | 50.0 | 100 |
| South | 751 | 35.4 | 64.6 | 100 | 639 | 41.0 | 59.0 | 100 | 591 | 45.2 | 54.8 | 100 | 536 | 43.8 | 56.2 | 100 |
| West | 480 | 27.1 | 72.9 | 100 | 416 | 32.9 | 67.1 | 100 | 391 | 33.5 | 66.5 | 100 | 352 | 36.4 | 63.6 | 100 |

¹ Table is based on variables: M3H16, M6H22, M9H24, MWH23

Table 7.13. Percent of babies kept by each specific other person during the past 4 weeks by infant age^{1, 2}, among babies who were cared for by someone other than their mother during these periods

Infant Feeding Practices Study II

| | Month 3 | Month 6 | Month 9 | Month 12 |
|------------------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|-----------------|
| Baby's father | 44.2 | 38.6 | 35.6 | 36.0 |
| Baby's grandparent(s) | 45.6 | 40.7 | 39.5 | 38.9 |
| Other family member | 14.4 | 12.2 | 12.7 | 11.7 |
| Someone not in baby's family | 37.2 | 42.4 | 46.2 | 48.8 |
| N | 826 | 868 | 851 | 809 |

¹ Table is based on variables: M3H17A-D, M6H23A-D, M9H24A-D, MWH23A-D

² Column percentages do not add up to 100% because mothers could choose all that apply

Table 7.14. Percent of babies usually cared for at various settings by infant age¹, among babies who were cared for by someone other than their mother during the past 4 weeks

Infant Feeding Practices Study II

| | Month 3 | Month 6 | Month 9 | Month 12 |
|--|----------------|----------------|----------------|-----------------|
| Baby's home with no other children | 27.8 | 22.3 | 22.2 | 21.9 |
| Baby's home with other children or baby's brothers or sisters | 33.9 | 33.0 | 30.4 | 30.7 |
| Other private home with no other children | 18.0 | 19.1 | 20.9 | 23.9 |
| Other private home with other children or baby's brothers or sisters | 34.1 | 15.0 | 16.0 | 16.6 |
| Day care or child care | 15.4 | 36.6 | 33.5 | 32.0 |
| Other | 1.7 | 1.7 | 2.4 | 1.4 |
| N | 824 | 866 | 850 | 809 |

¹ Table is based on variables: M3H18A-F, M6H24A-F, M9H25A-F, MWH24A-F

² Column percentages do not add up to 100% because mothers could choose all that apply

Table 7.15. Median days in an average week that babies were cared for by the regularly scheduled child care providers by infant age and selected demographics¹, among babies who were cared for by someone other than their mother during these periods

Infant Feeding Practices Study II

| | Month 3 | | Month 6 | | Month 9 | | Month 12 | |
|------------------------------|---------|--------|---------|--------|---------|--------|----------|--------|
| | N | Median | N | Median | N | Median | N | Median |
| ALL | 826 | 5.0 | 868 | 5.0 | 851 | 5.0 | 808 | 5.0 |
| Age | | | | | | | | |
| 18-24 | 179 | 5.0 | 160 | 5.0 | 160 | 5.0 | 140 | 5.0 |
| 25-29 | 276 | 5.0 | 277 | 5.0 | 262 | 5.0 | 247 | 5.0 |
| 30-34 | 231 | 5.0 | 261 | 5.0 | 258 | 5.0 | 246 | 5.0 |
| 35+ | 139 | 5.0 | 169 | 5.0 | 170 | 5.0 | 174 | 5.0 |
| Parity | | | | | | | | |
| Primiparous | 310 | 5.0 | 319 | 5.0 | 304 | 5.0 | 301 | 5.0 |
| Multiparous | 491 | 5.0 | 526 | 5.0 | 527 | 5.0 | 488 | 5.0 |
| Education | | | | | | | | |
| HS or less | 127 | 5.0 | 141 | 4.0 | 125 | 4.0 | 111 | 5.0 |
| Some college | 287 | 4.0 | 267 | 5.0 | 268 | 4.0 | 247 | 5.0 |
| College graduate | 342 | 5.0 | 403 | 5.0 | 406 | 5.0 | 401 | 5.0 |
| Income (% of poverty) | | | | | | | | |
| < 185% | 282 | 5.0 | 281 | 5.0 | 266 | 5.0 | 231 | 5.0 |
| 185- < 350% | 300 | 5.0 | 301 | 5.0 | 308 | 4.0 | 295 | 5.0 |
| >=350% | 244 | 5.0 | 286 | 5.0 | 277 | 5.0 | 282 | 5.0 |
| WIC Participant | | | | | | | | |
| No | 524 | 5.0 | 578 | 5.0 | 572 | 5.0 | 557 | 5.0 |
| Yes | 302 | 5.0 | 290 | 5.0 | 279 | 5.0 | 251 | 5.0 |
| Race | | | | | | | | |
| White | 672 | 5.0 | 703 | 5.0 | 699 | 5.0 | 679 | 5.0 |
| Black | 44 | 5.0 | 41 | 5.0 | 41 | 5.0 | 40 | 5.0 |
| Hispanic | 48 | 5.0 | 54 | 5.0 | 49 | 5.0 | 40 | 5.0 |
| Region | | | | | | | | |
| Northeast | 130 | 4.5 | 137 | 5.0 | 131 | 4.0 | 128 | 5.0 |
| Midwest | 296 | 4.0 | 295 | 5.0 | 288 | 5.0 | 284 | 5.0 |
| South | 266 | 5.0 | 262 | 5.0 | 267 | 5.0 | 234 | 5.0 |
| West | 134 | 4.0 | 174 | 4.0 | 165 | 5.0 | 162 | 4.5 |

¹ Table is based on variables: M3H19, M6H25, M9H26, MWH25

Table 7.16. Median hours on an average day that babies were with their regular child care provider by infant age and selected demographics¹, among babies who were cared for by someone other than their mother during these periods

Infant Feeding Practices Study II

| | Month 3 | | Month 6 | | Month 9 | | Month 12 | |
|------------------------------|---------|--------|---------|--------|---------|--------|----------|--------|
| | N | Median | N | Median | N | Median | N | Median |
| ALL | 825 | 8.0 | 868 | 8.0 | 851 | 8.0 | 811 | 8.0 |
| Age | | | | | | | | |
| 18-24 | 178 | 7.0 | 160 | 8.0 | 160 | 8.0 | 141 | 8.0 |
| 25-29 | 276 | 8.0 | 277 | 8.0 | 262 | 8.0 | 248 | 8.0 |
| 30-34 | 231 | 8.0 | 261 | 8.0 | 258 | 8.0 | 246 | 8.0 |
| 35+ | 139 | 8.0 | 169 | 8.0 | 170 | 8.0 | 175 | 8.0 |
| Parity | | | | | | | | |
| Primiparous | 310 | 8.0 | 319 | 8.0 | 304 | 8.0 | 302 | 8.0 |
| Multiparous | 490 | 8.0 | 526 | 8.0 | 527 | 8.0 | 490 | 8.0 |
| Education | | | | | | | | |
| HS or less | 126 | 7.0 | 141 | 7.0 | 125 | 8.0 | 112 | 8.0 |
| Some college | 287 | 8.0 | 267 | 8.0 | 268 | 8.0 | 248 | 8.0 |
| College graduate | 342 | 8.0 | 403 | 8.0 | 406 | 8.0 | 401 | 8.0 |
| Income (% of poverty) | | | | | | | | |
| < 185% | 281 | 8.0 | 281 | 8.0 | 266 | 8.0 | 232 | 8.0 |
| 185- < 350% | 300 | 8.0 | 301 | 8.0 | 308 | 8.0 | 296 | 8.0 |
| >=350% | 244 | 8.0 | 286 | 9.0 | 277 | 8.0 | 283 | 8.0 |
| WIC Participant | | | | | | | | |
| No | 524 | 8.0 | 578 | 8.0 | 572 | 8.0 | 559 | 8.0 |
| Yes | 301 | 8.0 | 290 | 8.0 | 279 | 8.0 | 252 | 8.0 |
| Race | | | | | | | | |
| White | 671 | 8.0 | 703 | 8.0 | 699 | 8.0 | 682 | 8.0 |
| Black | 44 | 8.0 | 41 | 8.0 | 41 | 8.0 | 40 | 8.0 |
| Hispanic | 48 | 8.0 | 54 | 8.0 | 49 | 9.0 | 40 | 8.0 |
| Region | | | | | | | | |
| Northeast | 130 | 8.0 | 137 | 8.0 | 131 | 8.0 | 129 | 8.0 |
| Midwest | 295 | 8.0 | 295 | 8.0 | 288 | 8.0 | 284 | 8.0 |
| South | 266 | 8.0 | 262 | 8.0 | 267 | 8.0 | 235 | 8.0 |
| West | 134 | 8.0 | 174 | 8.0 | 165 | 8.0 | 163 | 8.0 |

¹ Table is based on variables: M3H20, M6H26, M9H27, MWH26

Table 7.17. Percent of mothers indicating each level of breastfeeding support from their child care provider by infant age¹, among babies who were cared for by someone other than their mother during these periods

Infant Feeding Practices Study II

| | Month 3 | Month 6 | Month 9 | Month 12 |
|-----------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|-----------------|
| Not at all supportive | 1.0 | 1.2 | 1.2 | 1.0 |
| Not too supportive | 0.9 | 1.8 | 1.3 | 1.4 |
| Somewhat supportive | 7.4 | 8.7 | 7.5 | 7.2 |
| Very supportive | 67.7 | 64.3 | 65.3 | 65.7 |
| Don't know | 23.0 | 24.0 | 24.7 | 24.8 |
| Total (%) | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 |
| N | 812 | 849 | 835 | 795 |

¹ Table is based on variables: M3H21, M6H27, M9H28, MWH27

Table 7.18. Median times per day that the child care provider fed the baby on an average day by infant age¹, among babies who were cared for by someone other than their mother during these periods

Infant Feeding Practices Study II

| Infant age in months | N | Median |
|-----------------------------|----------|---------------|
| 3 | 786 | 3.0 |
| 6 | 832 | 3.0 |
| 9 | 825 | 3.0 |
| 12 | 785 | 3.0 |

¹ Table is based on variables: M3H22, M6H28, M9H29, MWH28

Table 7.19. Percent of mothers who found out with each frequency what their regularly scheduled child care provider fed their baby by infant age¹, among babies who were fed by their care provider

Infant Feeding Practices Study II

| | Month 3 | Month 6 | Month 9 | Month 12 |
|----------------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|-----------------|
| Seldom or never | 1.91 | 1.56 | 2.16 | 1.52 |
| Sometimes | 5.59 | 6.22 | 11.52 | 18.48 |
| Always or most of the time | 92.50 | 92.22 | 86.31 | 80.00 |
| Total (%) | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 |
| N | 787 | 836 | 833 | 790 |

¹ Table is based on variables: M3H23, M6H29, M9H30, MWH29

Table 7.20. Percent of mothers who indicated that each person usually provided the formula, if any, and food for babies to drink and eat under the regular child care arrangements in the past 4 weeks by infant age¹, among babies who were cared for outside of their home

Infant Feeding Practices Study II

| Who provided the baby's formula ? | Month 3 | Month 6 | Month 9 | Month 12 |
|--|----------------|----------------|----------------|-----------------|
| The child care provider | 9.6 | 7.4 | 8.8 | 8.2 |
| The mother | 69.5 | 74.5 | 77.7 | 47.9 |
| Someone else | 1.2 | 1.6 | 1.4 | 0.8 |
| Baby was not fed this item | 23.4 | 19.7 | 14.9 | 43.5 |
| N | 509 | 564 | 556 | 526 |
| Who provided the baby's food for meals? | | | | |
| The child care provider | 3.7 | 16.8 | 32.7 | 66.5 |
| The mother | 21.0 | 66.5 | 74.3 | 47.5 |
| Someone else | 0.6 | 2.1 | 2.9 | 3.6 |
| Baby was not fed this item | 73.5 | 18.3 | 2.2 | 0.8 |
| N | 509 | 564 | 556 | 526 |
| Who provided the baby's snacks? | | | | |
| The child care provider | 1.4 | 11.0 | 40.3 | 72.2 |
| The mother | 8.8 | 35.1 | 60.8 | 42.0 |
| Someone else | 0.0 | 1.2 | 2.9 | 3.8 |
| Baby was not fed this item | 87.2 | 53.9 | 9.4 | 1.1 |
| N | 509 | 564 | 556 | 526 |

¹ Table is based on variables: M3H24A_1-4, M3H24B_1-4, M3H24C_1-4, M6H30A_1-4, M6H30B_1-4, M6H30C_1-4, M9H31A_1-4, M9H31B_1-4, M9H31C_1-4, MWH30A_1-4, MWH30B_1-4, MWH30C_1-4

² Column percentages do not add up to 100% because mothers could choose all that apply

Table 7.21. Percent of child care providers who supported breastfeeding in each way by infant age^{1, 2}, among babies who were cared for outside of their home

Infant Feeding Practices Study II

| | Month 3 | | | Month 6 | | | Month 9 | | | Month 12 | | |
|---|---------|------|------------|---------|------|------------|---------|------|------------|----------|------|------------|
| | Yes | No | Don't Know | Yes | No | Don't Know | Yes | No | Don't Know | Yes | No | Don't Know |
| Feed a mother's pumped breast milk to her baby? | 56.7 | 27.1 | 16.2 | 53.6 | 27.1 | 19.4 | 53.6 | 26.2 | 20.2 | 55.1 | 21.5 | 23.3 |
| Allow mothers to breastfeed at the child care place before or after work? | 49.3 | 14.3 | 36.4 | 45.2 | 13.4 | 41.4 | 49.2 | 11.9 | 39.0 | 50.7 | 8.0 | 41.2 |
| Allow mothers to come in and breastfeed during their lunch or other breaks? | 47.3 | 15.8 | 36.9 | 44.7 | 12.9 | 42.4 | 46.7 | 11.7 | 41.6 | 49.5 | 8.2 | 42.3 |
| Thaw and prepare bottles of pumped milk if needed? | 54.4 | 18.5 | 27.1 | 55.2 | 16.2 | 28.6 | 51.3 | 15.4 | 33.3 | 56.5 | 12.2 | 31.3 |
| Keep extra breast milk in a freezer for use if they run out during the day? | 38.3 | 29.5 | 32.2 | 41.3 | 24.2 | 34.6 | 38.9 | 22.6 | 38.5 | 44.1 | 19.0 | 36.9 |
| N | 499 | 499 | 499 | 547 | 547 | 547 | 539 | 539 | 539 | 506 | 506 | 506 |

¹ Table is based on variables: M3H25A-E, M6H31A-E, M9H32A-E, MWH31A-E

² Column percentages do not add up to 100% because mothers could choose all that apply

Table 7.22. Percent of child care providers who kept fresh and thawed breast milk in the refrigerator for different time periods by infant age¹, among babies who were cared for outside of their home

Infant Feeding Practices Study II

| | | Month 3 | Month 6 | Month 9 | Month 12 |
|--------------------|---------------------------------------|---------|---------|---------|----------|
| Fresh breast milk | Throws milk out or send it home daily | 31.24 | 32.17 | 29.96 | 27.39 |
| | Keeps milk over 1 night | 11.28 | 8.72 | 7.74 | 7.47 |
| | Keeps milk over 2 nights | 2.82 | 1.55 | 1.79 | 1.66 |
| | Keeps milk 3 nights or longer | 1.74 | 1.94 | 1.59 | 1.87 |
| | Don't know | 52.93 | 55.62 | 58.93 | 61.62 |
| | Total (%) | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 |
| N | | 461 | 516 | 504 | 482 |
| Thawed breast milk | Throws milk out or send it home daily | 30.82 | 33.01 | 29.86 | 27.35 |
| | Keeps milk over 1 night | 9.53 | 6.25 | 6.61 | 7.31 |
| | Keeps milk over 2 nights | 1.11 | 1.17 | 1.00 | 0.63 |
| | Keeps milk 3 nights or longer | 1.55 | 1.37 | 0.40 | 0.84 |
| | Don't know | 56.98 | 58.20 | 62.12 | 63.88 |
| | Total (%) | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 |
| N | | 451 | 512 | 499 | 479 |

¹ Table is based on variables: M3H26, M6H32, M9H33, MWH32