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Data table for Figure 1. Singleton preterm birth rates: United States, 2014-2020

| Year | Preterm | Early preterm | Late preterm |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Percent |  |  |
| 2014. | 7.74 | 2.07 | 5.67 |
| 2015. | 7.82 | 2.09 | 5.73 |
| 2016. | 8.02 | 2.10 | 5.92 |
| 2017. | 8.13 | 2.12 | 6.02 |
| 2018. | 8.24 | 2.12 | 6.12 |
| 2019. | 8.47 | 2.14 | 6.32 |
| 2020. | 8.42 | 2.11 | 6.30 |

NOTE: Preterm is births at less than 37 completed weeks of gestation, late preterm is births at $34-36$ weeks, and early preterm is births at less than 34 weeks.
SOURCE: National Center for Health Statistics, National Vital Statistics System, Natality.

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Data table for Figure 2. Singleton preterm birth rates, by race and Hispanic origin of mother: United States, 2019 and 2020

| Year | Non-Hispanic Black ${ }^{1}$ | Non-Hispanic American Indian or Alaska Native ${ }^{1}$ | Non-Hispanic White ${ }^{1}$ | Non-Hispanic Asian ${ }^{1}$ | Hispanic ${ }^{2}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2019. | 12.12 | 10.26 | 7.44 | 7.32 | 8.60 |
| 2020. | 12.18 | 10.30 | 7.36 | 7.29 | 8.54 |

${ }^{1}$ Race and Hispanic origin are reported separately on birth certificates; people of Hispanic origin may be of any race. In this table, non-Hispanic women are classified by race. Race categories are consistent with 1997 Office of Management and Budget standards. Single race is defined as only one race reported on the birth certificate.
${ }^{2}$ Includes all people of Hispanic origin of any race.
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Data table for Figure 3. Percent change in singleton preterm birth rates, by month of birth: United States, 2019 and 2020

| Month | 2019 | 2020 | Percent change |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| January | 8.49 | 8.79 | 4 |
| February | 8.35 | 8.73 | 5 |
| March. | 8.48 | 8.12 | -4 |
| April | 8.41 | 8.12 | -3 |
| May | 8.52 | 8.34 | -2 |
| June. | 8.65 | 8.50 | -2 |
| July | 8.53 | 8.40 | -2 |
| August | 8.31 | 8.37 | 1 |
| September. | 8.03 | 7.99 | 0 |
| October | 8.43 | 8.54 | 1 |
| November | 8.70 | 8.47 | -3 |
| December | 8.75 | 8.68 | -1 |

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Data table for Figure 4. Change in singleton preterm birth rates, by state: United States, 2019 and 2020

| Area | 2019 | 2020 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Alabama | 10.50 | 10.74 |
| Alaska | 8.11 | 8.09 |
| Arizona | 7.88 | 7.91 |
| Arkansas | 9.99 | 9.82 |
| California | 7.40 | 7.31 |
| Colorado | 7.80 | 7.65 |
| Connecticut | 7.62 | 7.58 |
| Delaware | 8.86 | 8.95 |
| District of Columbia | 8.80 | 8.32 |
| Florida | 8.94 | 8.84 |
| Georgia | 9.64 | 9.56 |
| Hawaii | 8.99 | 8.74 |
| Idaho | 7.12 | 6.87 |
| Illinois. | 8.84 | 8.60 |
| Indiana. | 8.45 | 8.60 |
| lowa. | 7.69 | 8.08 |
| Kansas. | 8.30 | 8.27 |
| Kentucky | 9.41 | 9.22 |
| Louisiana | 11.20 | 11.00 |
| Maine. | 7.32 | 7.40 |
| Maryland | 8.49 | 8.57 |
| Massachusetts. | 7.29 | 7.20 |
| Michigan | 8.34 | 8.36 |
| Minnesota | 7.59 | 7.24 |
| Mississippi . | 12.41 | 12.23 |
| Missouri | 8.90 | 9.22 |
| Montana. | 8.05 | 8.26 |
| Nebraska | 8.38 | 8.61 |
| Nevada | 9.01 | 9.08 |
| New Hampshire. | 6.92 | 6.89 |
| New Jersey | 7.82 | 7.68 |
| New Mexico. | 8.60 | 8.46 |
| New York | 7.47 | 7.55 |
| North Carolina | 8.87 | 9.03 |
| North Dakota | 7.39 | 8.01 |
| Ohio. | 8.61 | 8.58 |
| Oklahoma | 9.67 | 9.36 |
| Oregon. | 6.75 | 6.66 |
| Pennsylvania. | 8.21 | 7.99 |
| Rhode Island | 7.71 | 7.41 |
| South Carolina. | 9.57 | 9.86 |
| South Dakota. | 7.53 | 7.85 |
| Tennessee. | 9.38 | 9.24 |
| Texas | 9.25 | 9.12 |
| Utah. | 7.77 | 7.47 |
| Vermont. | 6.57 | 6.37 |
| Virginia. | 8.03 | 7.89 |
| Washington | 7.01 | 7.16 |
| West Virginia | 10.57 | 10.42 |
| Wisconsin | 8.27 | 8.20 |
| Wyoming | 7.81 | 8.26 |

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