

## SECTION 5: ART TRENDS, 2003–2012

This report marks the eighteenth consecutive year that CDC has published an annual report detailing the success rates for ART clinics in the United States. Having many years of data provides us with the opportunity to examine trends in ART use and success rates over time. This report features an examination of trends for the most recent 10-year period, 2003–2012. Statistics for earlier years are available in previous annual publications of the *Assisted Reproductive Technology Success Rates: National Summary and Fertility Clinic Reports* and the *Assisted Reproductive Technology National Summary Report* for more recent years.

### Is the use of ART increasing?

Figure 43 shows the number of ART cycles performed, live-birth deliveries, and infants born using ART from 2003 through 2012. The number of ART cycles performed in the United States has increased 28%, from 122,872 cycles in 2003 to 157,662 in 2012. The number of live-birth deliveries in 2012 (51,267) was almost one and a half times higher than in 2003 (35,785). The number of infants born who were conceived using ART also increased from 2003 through 2012. In 2012, a total of 65,160 infants were born, as compared with the 48,756 infants born in 2003. Because more than one infant is born during a live-birth delivery in some cases (e.g., twins), the total number of infants born is greater than the number of live-birth deliveries.

**Figure 43**

Numbers of ART Cycles Performed, Live-Birth Deliveries, and Infants Born Using ART, 2003–2012

