

**Data Brief 152. First Births to Older Women Continue to Rise**

**Data table for Figure 1. First birth rates for women aged 35–39 and 40–44: United States, 1970–2012**

[Rates are births per 1,000 women in specified age group. Populations are estimated as of April 1 for census years and July 1 for all other years.]

Year	Rate for women aged	
	35–39	40–44
2012	11.0	2.3
2011	10.7	2.3
2010	10.4	2.3
2009	10.5	2.2
2008	10.6	2.2
2007	10.8	2.0
2006	10.9	2.0
2005	10.7	2.0
2004	10.6	2.0
2003	10.3	1.9
2002	9.4	1.8
2001	9.1	1.7
2000	8.9	1.7
1999	8.4	1.6
1998	8.2	1.5
1997	7.9	1.5
1996	7.7	1.4
1995	7.5	1.4
1994	7.3	1.3
1993	7.0	1.2
1992	6.9	1.1
1991	6.8	1.0
1990	6.7	1.0
1989	6.3	0.9
1988	5.7	0.8
1987	5.3	0.7
1986	4.7	0.6
1985	4.5	0.5
1984	4.1	0.5
1983	3.7	0.4
1982	3.3	0.4
1981	2.8	0.4
1980	2.6	0.3
1979	2.4	0.3
1978	2.2	0.3
1977	2.0	0.3
1976	1.9	0.3
1975	1.9	0.3
1974	1.8	0.3
1973	1.7	0.3
1972	1.8	0.3
1971	1.9	0.4
1970	2.1	0.4

SOURCE: CDC/NCHS, National Vital Statistics System.

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**Data table for Figures 4 and 5. First birth rates for women aged 35–39 and 40–44: United States and each and state, 2000 and 2012, and percent change in rates, 2000–2012**

[By place of residence. Rates are births per 1,000 women in specified age group. Populations are estimated as of April 1 for 2000 and July 1 for 2012.]

Area	First birth rate per 1,000 women aged				Percent change 2000–2012	
	35–39		40–44		Aged 35–39	Aged 40–44
	2012	2000	2012	2000		
United States	11.0	8.9	2.3	1.7	23.6	35.3
Alabama	5.8	5.1	1.1	0.8	13.7	37.5
Alaska	9.7	7.8	2.4	1.7	24.4	†
Arizona	8.8	8.4	1.9	1.5	†	26.7
Arkansas	5.5	4.0	1.0	0.9	37.5	†
California	14.4	11.5	3.3	2.6	25.2	26.9
Colorado	13.4	10.8	2.8	2.0	24.1	40.0
Connecticut	14.2	12.6	2.9	2.5	12.7	16.0
Delaware	10.5	8.3	2.0	1.3	26.5	53.8
District of Columbia	29.9	15.0	8.9	4.1	99.3	117.1
Florida	10.8	9.0	2.4	1.7	20.0	41.2
Georgia	9.2	8.4	2.3	1.6	9.5	43.8
Hawaii	16.3	13.1	4.0	2.8	24.4	42.9
Idaho	6.5	5.9	1.2	1.0	†	†
Illinois	11.1	9.0	2.5	1.6	23.3	56.3
Indiana	6.2	5.6	1.0	1.0	10.7	†
Iowa	6.9	5.1	1.0	0.8	35.3	†
Kansas	7.6	6.2	1.2	1.2	22.6	†
Kentucky	6.4	5.2	1.2	0.8	23.1	50.0
Louisiana	6.6	5.4	1.2	0.9	22.2	33.3
Maine	9.2	6.8	1.8	1.4	35.3	†
Maryland	14.4	11.1	3.0	2.0	29.7	50.0
Massachusetts	19.2	15.2	3.6	3.0	26.3	20.0
Michigan	8.0	7.5	1.7	1.2	6.7	41.7
Minnesota	12.2	8.8	2.4	1.5	38.6	60.0
Mississippi	5.0	4.5	0.9	0.9	†	†
Missouri	7.6	5.8	1.4	0.9	31.0	55.6
Montana	8.9	7.2	1.3	1.2	23.6	†
Nebraska	7.5	6.4	1.7	1.0	17.2	70.0
Nevada	9.8	7.5	1.9	1.7	30.7	†
New Hampshire	12.0	9.7	1.9	1.7	23.7	†
New Jersey	15.2	12.4	3.2	2.5	22.6	28.0
New Mexico	8.2	6.3	1.6	1.4	30.2	†
New York	17.2	12.1	4.1	2.6	42.1	57.7
North Carolina	9.2	7.7	1.7	1.3	19.5	30.8
North Dakota	7.6	4.1	1.2	0.8	85.4	†
Ohio	8.1	6.7	1.4	1.0	20.9	40.0
Oklahoma	5.7	5.3	1.1	0.9	†	†
Oregon	12.0	8.5	2.4	1.7	41.2	41.2
Pennsylvania	10.6	8.2	1.9	1.4	29.3	35.7
Rhode Island	12.8	9.0	2.3	1.7	42.2	35.3
South Carolina	7.8	6.5	1.5	0.9	20.0	66.7
South Dakota	5.6	3.9	0.9	*	43.6	‡
Tennessee	7.2	6.2	1.3	1.1	16.1	18.2
Texas	9.2	7.7	1.9	1.4	19.5	35.7
Utah	6.3	5.3	1.3	0.9	18.9	44.4
Vermont	13.5	10.4	2.3	1.7	29.8	†
Virginia	13.3	10.5	2.7	2.1	26.7	28.6
Washington	13.3	9.5	2.6	1.9	40.0	36.8
West Virginia	5.1	4.3	1.1	0.8	18.6	37.5
Wisconsin	8.7	7.0	1.5	1.0	24.3	50.0
Wyoming	8.3	4.5	1.7	*	84.4	‡

\*Figure does not meet standards of reliability or precision; based on fewer than 20 births in the numerator.

† Difference not statistically significant.

‡ Difference not calculable, rate not reliable.

SOURCE: CDC/NCHS, National Vital Statistics System.