

Data Brief 162: Recent Declines in Nonmarital Childbearing in the United States

Data table for Figure 1. Number, percentage, and rate of births to unmarried women: United States, 1940–2013

Year	Number of births to unmarried women	Percent of all births to unmarried women	Birth rate per 1,000 unmarried women aged 15–44
1940	89,500	3.8	7.1
1941	95,700	3.8	7.8
1942	95,500	3.4	8.0
1943	98,100	3.3	8.3
1944	105,200	3.8	9.0
1945	117,400	4.3	10.1
1946	125,200	3.8	10.9
1947	131,900	3.6	12.1
1948	129,700	3.7	12.5
1949	133,200	3.7	13.3
1950	141,600	4.0	14.1
1951	146,500	3.9	15.1
1952	150,300	3.9	15.8
1953	160,800	4.1	16.9
1954	176,600	4.4	18.7
1955	183,300	4.5	19.3
1956	193,500	4.7	20.4
1957	201,700	4.7	21.0
1958	208,700	5.0	21.2
1959	220,600	5.2	21.9
1960	224,300	5.3	21.6
1961	240,200	5.6	22.7
1962	245,100	5.9	21.9
1963	259,400	6.3	22.5
1964	275,700	6.9	23.0
1965	291,200	7.7	23.4
1966	302,400	8.4	23.3
1967	318,100	9.0	23.7
1968	339,200	9.7	24.3
1969	360,800	10.0	24.8
1970	398,700	10.7	26.4
1971	401,400	11.3	25.5
1972	403,200	12.4	24.8
1973	407,300	13.0	24.3
1974	418,100	13.2	23.9
1975	447,900	14.3	24.5
1976	468,100	14.8	24.3
1977	515,700	15.5	25.6
1978	543,900	16.3	25.7
1979	597,800	17.1	27.2
1980	665,747	18.4	29.4
1981	686,605	18.9	29.5
1982	715,227	19.4	30.0
1983	737,893	20.3	30.3
1984	770,355	21.0	31.0
1985	828,174	22.0	32.8
1986	878,477	23.4	34.2
1987	933,013	24.5	36.0

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1988	1,005,299	25.7	38.5
1989	1,094,169	27.1	41.6
1990	1,165,384	28.0	43.8
1991	1,213,769	29.5	45.0
1992	1,224,876	30.1	44.9
1993	1,240,172	31.0	44.8
1994	1,289,592	32.6	46.2
1995	1,253,976	32.2	44.3
1996	1,260,306	32.4	43.8
1997	1,257,444	32.4	42.9
1998	1,293,567	32.8	43.3
1999	1,308,560	33.0	43.3
2000	1,347,043	33.2	44.1
2001	1,349,249	33.5	43.7
2002	1,365,966	34.0	43.6
2003	1,415,995	34.6	44.7
2004	1,470,189	35.8	46.0
2005	1,527,034	36.9	47.2
2006	1,641,946	38.5	50.3
2007	1,715,047	39.7	51.8
2008	1,726,566	40.6	51.8
2009	1,693,658	41.0	49.9
2010	1,633,471	40.8	47.5
2011	1,607,773	40.7	46.0
2012	1,609,619	40.7	45.3
2013	1,605,643	40.6	44.8

NOTE: Data for 2013 are preliminary.

SOURCE: CDC/NCHS, National Vital Statistics System.