

Data Brief 346. Births in the United States, 2018

Data table for Figure 1. General fertility rates, by race and Hispanic origin of mother: United States, 2017 and 2018

Race and Hispanic origin	2017	2018
All races and origins ¹	60.3	59.1
Non-Hispanic, single race ²		
White	57.2	56.3
Black	63.1	62.0
Hispanic ³	67.6	65.9

¹Includes births to race and origin groups not shown separately, such as Hispanic single-race white, Hispanic single-race black, and non-Hispanic multiple-race women, as well as births with origin not stated.

²Race and Hispanic origin are reported separately on birth certificates; persons 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.

³Includes all persons of Hispanic origin of any race.

NOTE: General fertility rates are births per 1,000 women aged 15–44 in a specified group.

SOURCE: NCHS, National Vital Statistics System, Natality.

Data Brief 346. Births in the United States, 2018

Data table for Figure 2. Birth rates for females aged 15–19, by race and Hispanic origin of mother: United States, 2017 and 2018

Race and Hispanic origin	2017	2018
All races and origins ¹	18.8	17.4
Non-Hispanic, single race ²		
White	13.2	12.1
Black	27.5	26.3
Hispanic ³	28.9	26.7

¹Includes births to race and origin groups not shown separately, such as Hispanic single-race white, Hispanic single-race black, and non-Hispanic multiple-race women, as well as births with origin not stated.

²Race and Hispanic origin are reported separately on birth certificates; persons 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.

³Includes all persons of Hispanic origin of any race.

NOTE: Birth rates are births per 1,000 females aged 15–19 in a specified group.

SOURCE: NCHS, National Vital Statistics System, Natality.

Data Brief 346. Births in the United States, 2018

Data table for Figure 3. Percent distribution of births by method of delivery for births with a previous cesarean delivery, by race and Hispanic origin of mother: United States, 2017 and 2018

Race and Hispanic origin	Vaginal birth after previous cesarean ¹	Repeat cesarean ²	Total
All races and origins ³			
2017	12.8	87.2	100.0
2018	13.3	86.7	100.0
Non-Hispanic white ⁴			
2017	13.0	87.0	100.0
2018	13.5	86.5	100.0
Non-Hispanic black ⁴			
2017	12.8	87.2	100.0
2018	13.0	87.0	100.0
Hispanic ⁵			
2017	12.0	88.0	100.0
2018	12.7	87.3	100.0

¹Rate is the number of births to women having a vaginal delivery per 100 births to women with a previous cesarean delivery.

²Rate is the number of births to women having a cesarean delivery per 100 births to women with a previous cesarean delivery.

³Includes births to race and origin groups not shown separately, such as Hispanic single-race white, Hispanic single-race black, and non-Hispanic multiple-race women, as well as births with origin not stated.

⁴Race and Hispanic origin are reported separately on birth certificates; persons 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.

⁵Includes all persons of Hispanic origin of any race.

SOURCE: NCHS, National Vital Statistics System, Natality.

Data Brief 346. Births in the United States, 2018

Data table for Figure 4. Percent distribution of births, by gestational age and race and Hispanic origin of mother: United States, 2017 and 2018

Race and Hispanic origin	Preterm ¹	Early term ²	Full term ³	Late and post term ⁴	Total
All races and origins ⁵					
2017	9.93	26.00	57.49	6.58	100.00
2018	10.02	26.53	57.24	6.20	100.00
Non-Hispanic white ⁶					
2017	9.05	24.16	59.27	7.51	100.00
2018	9.09	24.68	59.16	7.07	100.00
Non-Hispanic black ⁶					
2017	13.93	28.93	51.90	5.24	100.00
2018	14.13	29.64	51.34	4.89	100.00
Hispanic ⁷					
2017	9.62	27.58	57.15	5.66	100.00
2018	9.73	28.05	56.83	5.39	100.00

¹Preterm is births at less than 37 completed weeks of gestation.

²Early term is births at 37–38 completed weeks of gestation.

³Full term is births at 39–40 completed weeks of gestation.

⁴Late and post term is births at 41 or more completed weeks of gestation.

⁵Includes births to race and origin groups not shown separately, such as Hispanic single-race white, Hispanic single-race black, and non-Hispanic multiple-race women, as well as births with origin not stated.

⁶Race and Hispanic origin are reported separately on birth certificates; persons 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.

⁷Includes all persons of Hispanic origin of any race.

SOURCE: NCHS, National Vital Statistics System, Natality.