





In subsequent years, rates were computed by relating the number of births to women age 45 years and over to the population of women age 45-49 years. population of women age 45-49 years. See Appendix II, Age.

<sup>1</sup>Live births are tabulated by race of child. See Appendix II, Race.

<sup>2</sup>Live births are tabulated by race and/or Hispanic origin of mother. See Appendix II, Race.

<sup>3</sup>Prior to 1993, data from states lacking an Hispanic-origin item on the birth certificate were excluded. See Appendix II, Hispanic origin. Rates in 1985 were not calculated because estimates for the Hispanic and non-Hispanic populations were not available.

NOTES: Data are based on births adjusted for underregistration for 1950 and on registered births for all other years. Starting with 1970 data, births to persons who were not residents of the 50 states and the District of Columbia are excluded.

Starting with *Health, United States, 2003*, rates

for 1991-1999 were revised using intercensal population estimates based on the 2000 census. Rates for 2000 were computed using the 2000 census counts and starting in 2001 rates were computed using 2000-based postcensal estimates.

See Appendix I, Population Census and Population Estimates.

The race groups, white, black, American Indian or Alaska Native, and Asian or

Pacific Islander, include persons of Hispanic and non-Hispanic origin.

Persons of Hispanic origin may be of any race. Starting with 2003 data, some states reported multiple-race data.

The multiple-race data for these states were bridged to the single-race categories

of the 1977 Office of Management and Budget standards for comparability with other states. See Appendix II, Race.

Interpretation of trend data should take into

consideration expansion of reporting areas and immigration.

Data for additional years are available. See Appendix III.

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