

Table 11. Low birthweight live births, by race and Hispanic origin of mother, and state: United States, 2000-2002, 2003-2005, and 2006-2008

(Data are based on birth certificates)

State	Not Hispanic or Latina								
	All races			White			Black or African American		
	2000-2002	2003-2005	2006-2008	2000-2002	2003-2005	2006-2008	2000-2002	2003-2005	2006-2008
	Percent of live births weighing less than 2,500 grams <sup>1</sup>								
United States.....	7.69	8.07	8.22	6.75	7.18	7.27	13.19	13.77	13.86
Alabama.....	9.75	10.35	10.49	7.77	8.46	8.45	14.10	15.02	15.58
Alaska.....	5.71	6.02	5.86	4.84	5.34	5.52	10.70	11.74	10.97
Arizona.....	6.91	7.05	7.09	6.78	7.01	6.88	13.16	12.38	12.53
Arkansas.....	8.64	9.04	9.18	7.48	7.83	7.97	13.81	14.86	14.93
California.....	6.29	6.71	6.84	5.86	6.30	6.40	11.66	12.46	12.00
Colorado.....	8.60	9.04	8.96	8.24	8.81	8.64	14.59	15.20	15.11
Connecticut.....	7.52	7.74	8.07	6.48	6.60	6.91	12.28	12.88	12.79
Delaware.....	9.29	9.31	9.01	7.80	7.62	7.33	14.08	14.32	13.74
District of Columbia.....	11.85	11.06	11.02	6.35	6.28	6.76	14.60	13.96	14.28
Florida.....	8.18	8.59	8.72	6.98	7.38	7.48	12.58	13.28	13.48
Georgia.....	8.79	9.27	9.57	6.92	7.44	7.54	12.98	13.81	14.19
Hawaii.....	7.98	8.23	8.05	6.17	6.42	5.97	11.01	11.44	10.46
Idaho.....	6.41	6.65	6.65	6.69	6.60	6.59	*	*7.03	*9.71
Illinois.....	8.04	8.40	8.50	6.74	7.22	7.34	14.04	14.70	14.23
Indiana.....	7.54	8.10	8.36	6.95	7.54	7.69	12.89	13.46	14.12
Iowa.....	6.39	6.92	6.81	6.19	6.72	6.58	11.77	12.22	11.49
Kansas.....	6.96	7.28	7.14	6.66	6.97	6.81	12.37	13.42	12.68
Kentucky.....	8.38	8.86	9.20	7.84	8.50	8.72	13.84	13.52	15.02
Louisiana.....	10.40	11.02	11.15	7.56	8.12	8.34	14.44	15.32	15.70
Maine.....	6.12	6.58	6.61	6.13	6.57	6.51	*9.47	8.47	9.01
Maryland.....	8.88	9.17	9.24	6.79	7.19	7.27	13.00	13.13	13.14
Massachusetts.....	7.26	7.77	7.85	6.56	7.15	7.22	11.54	11.82	11.32
Michigan.....	7.94	8.28	8.44	6.55	7.00	7.17	14.24	14.43	14.09
Minnesota.....	6.23	6.43	6.54	5.80	5.93	5.98	10.54	10.71	10.66
Mississippi.....	10.82	11.62	12.16	7.97	8.67	8.84	14.48	15.60	16.39
Missouri.....	7.74	8.12	8.01	6.79	7.18	7.09	13.27	13.90	13.44
Montana.....	6.65	7.02	7.29	6.60	6.81	7.11	*	*15.58	*
Nebraska.....	6.88	6.97	7.06	6.52	6.76	6.54	13.07	12.16	13.37
Nevada.....	7.44	8.11	8.20	7.19	7.78	8.07	13.40	13.98	13.89
New Hampshire.....	6.40	6.65	6.57	6.24	6.59	6.51	10.58	10.85	8.95
New Jersey.....	7.89	8.19	8.51	6.59	7.11	7.43	13.20	13.48	13.52
New Mexico.....	7.99	8.38	8.71	7.89	8.33	8.55	13.88	15.01	14.08
New York.....	7.76	8.11	8.22	6.48	6.82	6.94	12.02	12.78	12.66
North Carolina.....	8.90	9.07	9.13	7.49	7.73	7.73	13.83	14.33	14.39
North Dakota.....	6.28	6.49	6.60	6.13	6.37	6.52	*9.02	*9.43	*5.94
Ohio.....	8.07	8.51	8.71	7.08	7.53	7.55	13.45	13.83	14.36
Oklahoma.....	7.75	7.92	8.27	7.35	7.63	7.87	13.57	13.62	15.06
Oregon.....	5.65	6.09	6.08	5.44	6.02	5.91	10.32	11.16	9.74
Pennsylvania.....	7.93	8.20	8.41	6.78	7.06	7.21	13.79	13.76	13.76
Rhode Island.....	7.47	8.12	7.98	6.75	7.39	7.35	12.32	11.22	11.18
South Carolina.....	9.74	10.15	10.04	7.40	7.82	7.78	14.29	15.19	14.96
South Dakota.....	6.58	6.71	6.82	6.37	6.62	6.54	*11.51	*7.27	10.61
Tennessee.....	9.20	9.35	9.41	7.95	8.26	8.30	14.23	14.51	14.44
Texas.....	7.54	8.07	8.43	6.81	7.43	7.66	12.82	13.91	14.17
Utah.....	6.48	6.68	6.79	6.28	6.45	6.52	13.09	12.05	11.64
Vermont.....	6.15	6.57	6.67	6.12	6.55	6.58	*	*	*10.15
Virginia.....	7.90	8.23	8.38	6.54	7.01	7.10	12.56	12.83	13.22
Washington.....	5.75	6.13	6.38	5.43	5.63	5.98	10.34	10.63	9.81
West Virginia.....	8.60	9.16	9.58	8.39	9.03	9.42	13.81	13.15	15.22
Wisconsin.....	6.58	6.93	6.96	5.83	6.18	6.19	13.25	13.59	13.28
Wyoming.....	8.35	8.71	8.77	8.12	8.74	8.80	*13.29	*	*14.06
	Hispanic or Latina <sup>2</sup>			American Indian or Alaska Native <sup>3</sup>			Asian or Pacific Islander <sup>3</sup>		
State	2000-2002	2003-2005	2006-2008	2000-2002	2003-2005	2006-2008	2000-2002	2003-2005	2006-2008
	Percent of live births weighing less than 2,500 grams <sup>1</sup>								
United States.....	6.48	6.79	6.96	7.11	7.39	7.46	7.54	7.89	8.13
Alabama.....	6.95	6.92	6.66	9.68	10.53	*6.77	7.38	8.02	8.31
Alaska.....	6.07	5.31	6.50	5.81	5.86	5.59	7.33	6.57	6.30
Arizona.....	6.56	6.69	6.73	6.85	7.11	6.98	7.95	7.92	8.30
Arkansas.....	5.79	6.54	6.65	8.11	8.86	8.54	7.73	6.74	7.85
California.....	5.66	6.10	6.22	6.21	6.49	7.01	7.15	7.42	7.73
Colorado.....	8.33	8.53	8.49	9.05	9.45	9.78	10.17	10.26	10.60
Connecticut.....	8.25	8.49	8.38	10.06	7.45	9.05	8.07	7.83	8.60
Delaware.....	6.81	7.03	7.14	*	*	*	9.89	9.33	7.73
District of Columbia.....	8.04	7.46	6.91	*	*	*	*7.00	8.97	8.47
Florida.....	6.61	6.98	7.13	7.11	7.38	7.16	8.35	8.73	8.21
Georgia.....	5.77	5.96	6.31	9.29	9.00	8.40	8.18	8.35	7.94
Hawaii.....	8.00	8.34	7.92	*4.99	*	*	8.45	8.84	8.80
Idaho.....	6.95	6.67	6.62	6.15	8.31	7.59	7.38	6.67	7.91
Illinois.....	6.31	6.60	6.86	8.60	9.46	8.24	8.49	8.28	8.72
Indiana.....	6.09	6.33	6.88	*7.74	*10.00	*6.37	7.41	7.87	7.81
Iowa.....	6.01	6.12	6.40	7.23	9.15	7.09	7.13	7.71	8.07
Kansas.....	5.93	6.09	5.79	6.20	7.09	7.66	6.69	7.34	8.58
Kentucky.....	7.73	6.85	6.80	*7.17	*8.54	*	7.75	7.56	8.57
Louisiana.....	6.56	7.62	6.89	9.06	10.11	10.26	7.89	8.46	8.77
Maine.....	*6.03	*4.74	8.18	*	*	*6.29	*5.46	8.69	7.25
Maryland.....	6.73	7.18	7.02	9.74	10.87	*8.43	7.42	7.93	7.97
Massachusetts.....	8.37	8.41	8.27	*7.11	*7.62	10.51	7.57	7.63	8.30
Michigan.....	6.26	6.46	6.98	7.26	6.98	7.45	7.46	8.33	8.36
Minnesota.....	6.02	5.70	5.85	7.10	6.87	6.38	7.28	7.43	7.77
Mississippi.....	6.61	6.42	6.94	7.30	6.24	7.48	6.83	8.06	9.29
Missouri.....	6.18	6.33	5.88	8.67	7.63	6.59	7.34	7.61	7.94
Montana.....	7.44	8.63	7.65	7.14	7.80	7.86	*5.95	*8.70	*10.77
Nebraska.....	6.30	6.20	6.66	7.27	6.78	6.88	8.05	7.61	7.85
Nevada.....	6.34	6.74	6.71	6.80	7.58	7.18	7.56	10.35	9.96
New Hampshire.....	4.84	6.55	7.60	*	*	*	5.95	7.75	7.16
New Jersey.....	7.15	7.27	7.55	11.09	9.83	9.93	7.57	8.10	8.50
New Mexico.....	8.13	8.45	8.82	6.88	7.32	7.59	7.67	8.60	9.15
New York.....	7.38	7.59	7.85	7.81	7.31	6.41	7.33	7.89	7.86

North Carolina.....	6.13	6.27	6.30	10.30	11.01	10.61	8.20	7.77	8.88
North Dakota.....	*8.10	*5.84	7.69	6.62	6.78	6.81	*	*8.39	*6.20
Ohio.....	7.20	7.13	7.67	8.86	10.22	10.54	7.86	8.27	8.64
Oklahoma.....	6.41	6.46	6.47	6.48	6.69	7.37	7.87	6.82	6.88
Oregon.....	5.54	5.43	5.86	7.23	7.34	6.34	6.78	7.00	7.40
Pennsylvania.....	8.97	9.00	8.78	9.15	10.95	10.80	7.48	7.99	8.29
Rhode Island.....	7.20	8.61	7.99	*10.32	13.66	13.40	9.31	10.11	8.85
South Carolina.....	6.87	6.66	6.49	10.22	10.75	8.26	8.02	8.13	8.30
South Dakota.....	6.89	5.94	7.88	6.84	7.04	7.29	*11.39	*9.50	*8.28
Tennessee.....	6.28	6.04	6.36	*7.11	*6.63	5.70	8.60	7.76	8.43
Texas.....	6.88	7.23	7.60	6.67	7.33	8.32	7.78	8.33	8.93
Utah.....	7.20	7.26	7.41	6.37	7.46	7.75	7.23	8.20	8.21
Vermont.....	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*8.08	*7.67
Virginia.....	6.07	6.28	6.31	*10.73	*9.20	*6.13	7.50	7.71	7.87
Washington.....	5.31	5.93	6.00	7.08	7.31	7.78	6.37	6.90	7.50
West Virginia.....	*	*6.06	*5.71	*	*	*	*9.16	*9.51	*6.65
Wisconsin.....	6.13	6.34	6.29	6.12	6.04	7.12	6.97	7.50	6.98
Wyoming.....	8.81	8.43	7.73	9.55	8.39	9.77	*12.04	*	*12.24

\*Percents preceded by an asterisk are based on fewer than 50 births.

Percents not shown are based on fewer than 20 births.

<sup>1</sup>Excludes live births with unknown birthweight.

<sup>2</sup>Persons of Hispanic origin may be of any race.

See Appendix II, Hispanic origin.

<sup>3</sup>Includes persons of Hispanic and non-Hispanic origin.

NOTES: For information on very low birthweight live births, see Table I-10 in

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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.

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