

Table 11. Low birthweight live births, by race and Hispanic origin of mother, and state: United States, 2000-2002 through 2008-2010

(Data are based on birth certificates)

State	Not Hispanic or Latina								
	All races			White			Black or African American		
	2000-2002	2003-2005	2008-2010	2000-2002	2003-2005	2008-2010	2000-2002	2003-2005	2008-2010
	Percent of live births weighing less than 2,500 grams <sup>1</sup>								
United States.....	7.69	8.07	8.16	6.75	7.18	7.18	13.19	13.77	13.62
Alabama.....	9.75	10.35	10.40	7.77	8.46	8.40	14.10	15.02	15.41
Alaska.....	5.71	6.02	5.84	4.84	5.34	4.99	10.70	11.74	12.58
Arizona.....	6.91	7.05	7.08	6.78	7.01	6.80	13.16	12.38	11.86
Arkansas.....	8.64	9.04	8.99	7.48	7.83	7.72	13.81	14.86	14.73
California.....	6.29	6.71	6.80	5.86	6.30	6.28	11.66	12.46	11.95
Colorado.....	8.60	9.04	8.81	8.24	8.81	8.47	14.59	15.20	14.00
Connecticut.....	7.52	7.74	8.02	6.48	6.60	6.81	12.28	12.88	12.69
Delaware.....	9.29	9.31	8.68	7.80	7.62	7.06	14.08	14.32	13.12
District of Columbia.....	11.85	11.06	10.33	6.35	6.28	6.72	14.60	13.96	13.33
Florida.....	8.18	8.59	8.73	6.98	7.38	7.33	12.58	13.28	13.51
Georgia.....	8.79	9.27	9.57	6.92	7.44	7.67	12.98	13.81	13.72
Hawaii.....	7.98	8.23	8.29	6.17	6.42	6.53	11.01	11.44	11.57
Idaho.....	6.41	6.65	6.59	6.29	6.60	6.29	*	*7.03	*9.13
Illinois.....	8.04	8.40	8.34	6.74	7.22	7.15	14.04	14.70	13.90
Indiana.....	7.54	8.10	8.24	6.95	7.54	7.57	12.89	13.46	13.76
Iowa.....	6.39	6.92	6.78	6.19	6.72	6.48	11.77	12.22	12.01
Kansas.....	6.96	7.28	7.19	6.66	6.97	6.70	12.37	13.42	12.82
Kentucky.....	8.38	8.86	9.06	7.84	8.50	8.65	13.84	13.52	14.04
Louisiana.....	10.40	11.02	10.73	7.56	8.12	8.00	14.44	15.33	15.05
Maine.....	6.12	6.58	6.43	6.13	6.57	6.42	*9.47	8.47	6.55
Maryland.....	8.88	9.17	9.05	6.79	7.19	7.08	13.00	13.13	12.72
Massachusetts.....	7.26	7.77	7.76	6.56	7.15	7.11	11.54	11.82	10.89
Michigan.....	7.94	8.28	8.45	6.55	7.00	7.08	14.24	14.43	14.06
Minnesota.....	6.23	6.43	6.44	5.80	5.93	5.83	10.54	10.71	10.38
Mississippi.....	10.82	11.62	12.05	7.97	8.67	8.74	14.48	15.60	16.41
Missouri.....	7.74	8.12	8.15	6.79	7.18	7.15	13.27	13.90	13.67
Montana.....	6.65	7.02	7.31	6.60	6.81	7.28	*	*15.58	*
Nebraska.....	6.88	6.97	7.09	6.52	6.76	6.58	13.07	12.16	13.30
Nevada.....	7.44	8.11	8.13	7.19	7.78	7.88	13.40	13.98	13.72
New Hampshire.....	6.40	6.65	6.76	6.24	6.59	6.62	10.58	10.85	9.51
New Jersey.....	7.89	8.19	8.33	6.59	7.11	7.25	13.20	13.48	12.93
New Mexico.....	7.99	8.38	8.50	7.89	8.33	8.38	13.88	15.01	14.27
New York.....	7.76	8.11	8.21	6.48	6.82	6.85	12.02	12.78	12.82
North Carolina.....	8.90	9.07	9.07	7.49	7.73	7.64	13.83	14.33	14.23
North Dakota.....	6.28	6.49	6.62	6.13	6.37	6.22	*9.02	*9.43	*8.55
Ohio.....	8.07	8.51	8.58	7.08	7.53	7.43	13.45	13.83	14.06
Oklahoma.....	7.75	7.92	8.35	7.35	7.63	7.98	13.57	13.62	14.53
Oregon.....	5.65	6.09	6.21	5.44	6.02	5.99	10.32	11.16	10.51
Pennsylvania.....	7.93	8.20	8.33	6.78	7.06	7.15	13.79	13.67	13.43
Rhode Island.....	7.47	8.12	7.87	6.75	7.39	7.03	12.32	11.22	11.06
South Carolina.....	9.74	10.15	9.92	7.40	7.82	7.74	14.29	15.19	14.69
South Dakota.....	6.58	6.71	6.38	6.37	6.62	6.23	*11.51	*7.27	10.83
Tennessee.....	9.20	9.35	9.13	7.95	8.26	8.06	14.23	14.51	13.89
Texas.....	7.54	8.07	8.45	6.81	7.43	7.67	12.82	13.91	14.03
Utah.....	6.48	6.68	6.93	6.28	6.45	6.66	13.09	12.05	11.24
Vermont.....	6.15	6.57	6.62	6.12	6.55	6.57	*	*	*8.42
Virginia.....	7.90	8.23	8.29	6.54	7.01	7.01	12.56	12.83	12.88
Washington.....	5.75	6.13	6.31	5.43	5.63	5.92	10.34	10.63	9.54
West Virginia.....	8.60	9.16	9.31	8.39	9.03	9.14	13.81	13.15	14.75
Wisconsin.....	6.58	6.93	7.05	5.83	6.18	6.27	13.25	13.59	13.65
Wyoming.....	8.35	8.71	8.56	8.12	8.74	8.26	*13.29	*	*15.50

State	Hispanic or Latina <sup>2</sup>			American Indian or Alaska Native <sup>3</sup>			Asian or Pacific Islander <sup>3</sup>		
	2000-2002	2003-2005	2008-2010	2000-2002	2003-2005	2008-2010	2000-2002	2003-2005	2008-2010
	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	7.43	7.54	7.89	8.31
Alabama.....	6.95	6.92	6.44	9.68	10.53	8.44	7.38	8.02	8.80
Alaska.....	6.07	5.31	7.14	5.81	5.86	6.38	7.33	6.57	6.09
Arizona.....	6.56	6.69	6.76	6.85	7.11	6.77	7.95	7.92	8.64
Arkansas.....	5.79	6.54	6.51	8.11	8.86	7.98	7.73	6.74	9.26
California.....	5.66	6.10	6.14	6.21	6.49	6.59	7.15	7.42	7.90
Colorado.....	8.33	8.53	8.38	9.05	9.45	8.59	10.17	10.26	11.28
Connecticut.....	8.25	8.49	8.37	10.06	7.45	8.22	8.07	7.83	8.61
Delaware.....	6.81	7.03	6.56	*	*	*	9.89	9.33	8.01
District of Columbia.....	8.04	7.46	6.72	*	*	*	*7.00	8.97	6.99
Florida.....	6.61	6.98	7.13	7.11	7.38	6.91	8.35	8.73	8.56
Georgia.....	5.77	5.96	6.54	9.29	9.00	8.57	8.18	8.35	8.14
Hawaii.....	8.00	8.34	8.64	*4.99	*	*	8.45	8.84	8.86
Idaho.....	6.95	6.67	7.47	6.15	8.31	8.43	7.38	6.67	10.00
Illinois.....	6.31	6.60	6.70	8.60	9.46	8.78	8.49	8.28	9.15
Indiana.....	6.09	6.33	6.68	*7.74	*10.00	*8.38	7.41	7.87	8.43
Iowa.....	6.01	6.12	6.49	7.23	9.15	6.25	7.13	7.71	8.05
Kansas.....	5.93	6.09	6.30	6.20	7.09	7.77	6.69	7.34	9.18
Kentucky.....	7.73	6.85	6.71	*7.17	*8.54	*7.17	7.75	7.56	8.41
Louisiana.....	6.56	7.62	6.99	9.06	10.11	10.85	7.89	8.46	9.26
Maine.....	*6.03	*4.74	*7.47	*	*	*6.63	*5.46	8.69	*5.28
Maryland.....	6.73	7.18	6.90	9.74	10.87	8.85	7.42	7.93	8.49
Massachusetts.....	8.37	8.41	8.45	*7.11	*7.62	9.87	7.57	7.63	8.25
Michigan.....	6.26	6.46	6.78	7.26	6.98	8.26	7.46	8.33	8.96
Minnesota.....	6.02	5.70	5.84	7.10	6.87	7.01	7.28	7.43	7.80
Mississippi.....	6.61	6.42	6.85	7.30	6.24	8.79	6.83	8.06	8.40
Missouri.....	6.18	6.33	6.57	8.67	7.63	8.07	7.34	7.61	8.27
Montana.....	7.44	8.63	6.43	7.14	7.80	7.62	*5.95	*8.70	*7.03
Nebraska.....	6.30	6.20	6.60	7.27	6.78	7.06	8.05	7.61	8.71
Nevada.....	6.34	6.74	6.83	6.80	7.58	7.19	7.56	10.35	9.29
New Hampshire.....	4.84	6.55	8.35	*	*	*	5.95	7.75	7.53
New Jersey.....	7.15	7.27	7.31	11.09	9.83	*8.50	7.57	8.10	8.83
New Mexico.....	8.13	8.45	8.54	6.88	7.32	7.39	7.67	8.60	9.71
New York.....	7.38	7.59	7.81	7.81	7.31	7.58	7.33	7.89	7.95
North Carolina.....	6.13	6.27	6.28	10.30	11.01	11.00	8.20	7.77	8.59
North Dakota.....	*8.10	*5.84	7.59	6.62	6.78	8.64	*	*8.39	*7.78
Ohio.....	7.20	7.13	7.49	8.86	10.22	9.13	7.86	8.27	8.26
Oklahoma.....	6.41	6.46	6.71	6.48	6.69	7.44	7.87	6.82	7.20
Oregon.....	5.54	5.43	6.04	7.23	7.34	6.85	6.78	7.00	7.40
Pennsylvania.....	8.97	9.00	8.79	9.15	10.95	9.47	7.48	7.99	8.11
Rhode Island.....	7.20	8.61	7.99	*10.32	13.66	10.40	9.31	10.11	9.32
South Carolina.....	6.87	6.66	6.54	10.22	10.75	8.45	8.02	8.13	8.99
South Dakota.....	6.89	5.94	6.85	6.84	7.04	6.14	*11.39	*9.50	*9.96
Tennessee.....	6.28	6.04	6.28	*7.11	*6.63	5.95	8.60	7.76	8.04
Texas.....	6.88	7.23	7.64	6.67	7.33	7.58	7.78	8.33	9.31
Utah.....	7.20	7.26	7.48	6.37	7.46	7.34	7.23	8.20	9.14
Vermont.....	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*8.08	*6.87
Virginia.....	6.07	6.28	6.39	*10.73	*9.20	*4.69	7.50	7.71	8.12
Washington.....	5.31	5.93	6.10	7.08	7.31	7.31	6.37	6.90	7.26
West Virginia.....	*	*6.06	*5.81	*	*	*	*9.16	*9.51	*6.56
Wisconsin.....	6.13	6.34	6.06	6.12	6.04	6.81	6.97	7.50	7.35
Wyoming.....	8.81	8.43	9.59	9.55	8.39	8.55	*12.04	*	*12.98

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

Percentages 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 by state, see Table I-10 in Martin JA, Hamilton BE, Ventura SJ, Osterman MJK, Wilson EC, Mathews TJ.

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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.

SOURCE: CDC/NCHS,

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See Appendix I, National Vital Statistics System (NVSS).

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