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<i>Maternal age, race, and Hispanic origin</i>	1970	1975	1980	1985	1990	1995	2000	2005	2011	2012
Under 18 years										
	Percent of live births									
All races	6.3	7.6	5.8	4.7	4.7	5.3	4.1	3.4	2.5	2.3
White	4.8	6.0	4.5	3.7	3.6	4.3	3.5	2.9	2.3	2.1
Black or African American	14.8	16.3	12.5	10.6	10.1	10.8	7.8	6.2	4.3	3.8
American Indian or Alaska Native	7.5	11.2	9.4	7.6	7.2	8.7	7.3	6.5	4.5	4.2
Asian or Pacific Islander ¹	---	---	1.5	1.6	2.1	2.2	1.5	1.0	0.6	0.5
Hispanic or Latina ²	---	---	7.4	6.4	6.6	7.6	6.3	5.3	4.2	3.9
Mexican	---	---	7.7	6.9	6.9	8.0	6.6	5.7	4.5	4.2
Puerto Rican	---	---	10.0	8.5	9.1	10.8	7.8	6.5	4.4	4.2
Cuban	---	---	3.8	2.2	2.7	2.8	3.1	2.4	1.4	1.3
Central and South American	---	---	2.4	2.4	3.2	4.1	3.3	2.9	2.2	2.0
Other and unknown Hispanic or Latina	---	---	6.5	7.0	8.0	9.0	7.6	6.6	5.0	4.6
Not Hispanic or Latina: ²										
White	---	---	4.0	3.2	3.0	3.4	2.6	2.0	1.5	1.4
Black or African American	---	---	12.7	10.7	10.2	10.8	7.8	6.3	4.3	3.7
18–19 years										
All races	11.3	11.3	9.8	8.0	8.1	7.9	7.7	6.8	5.9	5.5
White	10.4	10.3	9.0	7.1	7.3	7.2	7.1	6.3	5.5	5.2
Black or African American	16.6	16.9	14.5	12.9	13.0	12.4	11.9	10.6	9.4	8.7
American Indian or Alaska Native	12.8	15.2	14.6	12.4	12.3	12.7	12.4	11.3	10.3	10.0
Asian or Pacific Islander ¹	---	---	3.9	3.4	3.7	3.5	3.0	2.3	1.6	1.5
Hispanic or Latina ²	---	---	11.6	10.1	10.2	10.3	9.9	8.8	7.9	7.6
Mexican	---	---	12.0	10.6	10.7	10.8	10.4	9.2	8.3	8.0
Puerto Rican	---	---	13.3	12.4	12.6	12.7	12.2	10.9	9.6	9.1
Cuban	---	---	9.2	4.9	5.0	4.9	4.4	5.3	4.2	4.0
Central and South American	---	---	6.0	5.8	5.9	6.5	6.5	5.7	4.4	4.1
Other and unknown Hispanic or Latina	---	---	10.8	10.5	11.1	11.1	11.3	10.5	9.7	9.1
Not Hispanic or Latina: ²										
White	---	---	8.5	6.5	6.6	6.4	6.1	5.3	4.6	4.3
Black or African American	---	---	14.7	12.9	13.0	12.4	12.0	10.7	9.4	8.7
Under 18 years										
	Number of live births									
All races	235,342	239,912	208,391	178,009	194,984	204,750	165,728	139,913	99,512	90,095
White	149,258	155,254	133,541	112,155	119,908	133,019	111,225	95,148	68,534	62,900
Black or African American	83,390	81,198	70,842	61,481	69,219	65,039	48,426	39,541	27,272	23,780
American Indian or Alaska Native	1,664	2,548	2,769	2,573	2,825	3,228	3,057	2,891	2,109	1,945
Asian or Pacific Islander ¹	---	---	1,090	1,721	2,924	3,464	3,020	2,333	1,597	1,470
Hispanic or Latina ²	---	---	22,763	23,975	39,529	51,862	51,061	52,512	38,555	35,156
Mexican	---	---	16,690	16,735	26,739	37,347	38,649	39,471	25,767	23,271
Puerto Rican	---	---	3,353	2,985	5,360	5,915	4,519	4,140	2,957	2,806
Cuban	---	---	273	220	303	354	423	392	245	224
Central and South American	---	---	519	976	2,648	3,923	3,762	4,408	2,970	2,613
Other and unknown Hispanic or Latina	---	---	1,928	3,059	4,479	4,323	3,708	4,101	6,616	6,242
Not Hispanic or Latina: ²										
White	---	---	50,569	44,604	78,376	81,054	60,599	45,195	32,330	29,869
Black or African American	---	---	38,105	35,941	67,454	63,734	47,256	36,875	25,037	21,809
18–19 years										
All races	421,118	354,968	353,939	299,696	338,499	307,365	311,781	281,402	234,234	218,965
White	322,626	265,566	264,223	216,597	239,548	222,470	226,227	203,762	165,927	155,191
Black or African American	93,342	83,812	82,309	75,201	88,732	74,582	74,336	67,201	59,343	55,033
American Indian or Alaska Native	2,856	3,442	4,277	4,221	4,798	4,739	5,158	5,052	4,788	4,620
Asian or Pacific Islander ¹	---	---	2,873	3,553	5,218	5,574	6,060	5,387	4,176	4,121
Hispanic or Latina ²	---	---	35,484	37,537	60,502	69,774	81,046	86,860	72,681	68,962
Mexican	---	---	25,881	25,739	41,432	50,753	60,426	64,089	46,924	44,345
Puerto Rican	---	---	4,482	4,363	7,420	6,978	7,092	6,874	6,444	6,114
Cuban	---	---	658	487	564	611	589	847	716	690
Central and South American	---	---	1,271	2,370	4,861	6,139	7,405	8,597	5,943	5,430
Other and unknown Hispanic or Latina	---	---	3,192	4,578	6,225	5,293	5,534	6,453	12,654	12,383
Not Hispanic or Latina: ²										
White	---	---	106,303	91,871	174,180	151,681	145,297	121,141	97,868	90,754
Black or African American	---	---	44,042	43,542	86,271	72,995	72,499	62,635	54,899	50,740

See footnotes at end of table.

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-- Data not available.

¹Estimates are not available for Asian or Pacific Islander subgroups because not all states have adopted the 2003 revision of the U.S. Standard Certificate of Live Birth. See [Appendix II, Race](#).

²Prior to 1993, data from states that did not report Hispanic origin on the birth certificate were excluded. See [Appendix II, Hispanic origin](#). Data for non-Hispanic white and non-Hispanic black women for years prior to 1989 are not nationally representative and are provided solely for comparison with Hispanic data.

NOTES: 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 for Hispanic births should take into consideration expansion of reporting areas. Data for additional years are available. See the Excel spreadsheet on the *Health, United States* website at: <http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/hus.htm>.

SOURCE: CDC/NCHS, National Vital Statistics System, public-use Birth File. Martin JA, Hamilton BE, Ventura SJ, Osterman MJK, Curtin SC, Mathews TJ. Births: Final data for 2012. National vital statistics reports; vol 62 no 9. Hyattsville, MD: NCHS. 2013; Available from: http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/data/nvsr/nvsr62/nvsr62_09.pdf. See [Appendix I, National Vital Statistics System \(NVSS\)](#).