Table 1-1. Live Births, Birth Rates, and Fertility Rates, by Race of Child: United States, 1909-80

(Birth rates are live births per 1,000 population in specified group. Fertility rates are live births per 1,000 women aged 15-44 years in specified group. Population enumerated as of April 1 for census years and estimated as of July 1 for all other years. Beginning in 1970, excludes births to nonresidents of the United States; see Technical Appendix)

NOTE: Data for 1981-98 are available in Births: Final Data for 1998, Table 1.

	Number					Birth rate				Fertility rate			
_ Year 	All	 White	All other		All races	 White	All other		All		All other		
	races						l						
			Total	Black			Total	Black			Total	Black	
Registered births													
1980(1)	3,612,258	2,898,732	713,526	589,616	15.9	14.9	22.5	22.1	68.4	64.7	88.6	88.1	
1979(1)	3,494,398	2,808,420	685,978	577 , 855	15.6	14.5	22.2	22.0	67.2	63.4	88.5	88.3	
1978(1)	3,333,279	2,681,116	652,163	551 , 540	15.0	14.0	21.6	21.3	65.5	61.7	87.0	86.7	
1977(1)	3,326,632	2,691,070	635,562	544,221	15.1	14.1	21.6	21.4	66.8	63.2	87.7	88.1	
1976(1)	3,167,788	2,567,614	600,174	514 , 479	14.6	13.6	20.8	20.5	65.0	61.5	85.8	85.8	
1975(1)	3,144,198	2,551,996	592,202	511 , 581	14.6	13.6	21.0	20.7	66.0	62.5	87.7	87.9	
1974(1)	3,159,958	2,575,792	584,166	507,162	14.8	13.9	21.2	20.8	67.8	64.2	89.8	89.7	
1973(1)	3,136,965	2,551,030	585,935	512 , 597	14.8	13.8	21.7	21.4	68.8	64.9	93.4	93.6	
1972(1)	3,258,411	2,655,558	602,853	531 , 329	15.6	14.5	22.8	22.5	73.1	68.9	99.5	99.9	
1971(2)	3,555,970	2,919,746	636,224	564,960	17.2	16.1	24.6	24.4	81.6	77.3	109.1	109.7	
1970(2)	3,731,386	3,091,264	640,122	572,362	18.4	17.4	25.1	25.3	87.9	84.1	113.0	115.4	
1969(2)	3,600,206	2,993,614	606,592	543,132	17.9	16.9	24.5	24.4	86.1	82.2	111.6	112.1	
1968(2)	3,501,564	2,912,224	589,340	531,152	17.6	16.6	24.2	24.2	85.2	81.3	111.9	112.7	
1967(3)	3,520,959	2,922,502	598,457	543,976	17.8	16.8	25.0	25.1	87.2	82.8	117.1	118.5	
1966(2)	3,606,274	2,993,230	613,044	558,244	18.4	17.4	26.1	26.2	90.8	86.2	123.5	124.7	
1965(2)	3,760,358	3,123,860	636,498	581,126	19.4	18.3	27.6	27.7	96.3	91.3	131.9	133.2	
1964(2)	4,027,490	3,369,160	658,330	607,556	21.1	20.0	29.2	29.5	104.7	99.8	140.0	142.6	
1963(2,4)	4,098,020	3,326,344	638,928	580,658	21.7	1 20.7	29.7		108.3	103.6	143.7		
1962(2,4)	4,167,362	3,394,068	641,580	584,610	22.4	21.4	30.5		112.0	107.5	147.8		
1961(2)	4,268,326	3,600,864	667,462	611,072	23.3	22.2	31.6		117.1	112.3	153.0		
1960(2)	4,257,850	3,600,744	657,106	602,264	23.7	22.7	32.1	31.9	118.0	113.2	153.6	153.5	
1959(2)	4,244,796	3,597,430	647,366	605,962	24.0	22.9	32.9		118.8	113.9	156.0		
Births adjusted for U	nderregistra	tion(5)											
1959(2)	4,286,000	3,619,000	666,000		24.2	23.1	33.9		119.9	114.5	160.7		
1958(2)	4,246,000	3,595,000	651,000		24.5	23.3	34.0		120.0	114.8	159.1		
1957(2)	4,300,000	3,646,000	654,000		25.3	24.0	35.0		122.7	117.6	161.7		
1956(2)	4,210,000	3,570,000	640,000		25.2	24.0	35.1		121.0	115.9	159.7		
1955	4,097,000	3,485,000	613,000		25.0	23.8	34.5		118.3	113.7	154.3		

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1954(2)	4,071,000		599,000		25.3	24.2	34.7	 117.9			
1953 (2)	3,959,000		572,000		25.1	24.0	33.9	 115.0	110.9	146.4	
1952 (2)	3,909,000	3,356,000	553,000		25.1	24.1	33.4	 113.8	110.0	142.7	
1951(2)	3,820,000	3,275,000	545,000		24.9	23.9	33.7	 111.4	107.7	141.7	
1950	3,632,000	3,108,000	524,000		24.1	23.0	33.3	106.2	102.3	137.3	
1949	3,649,000	3,136,000	513,000		24.5	23.6	33.0	 107.1		135.1	
1948	3,637,000	3,141,000	495,000		24.9	24.0	32.4	 107.3	104.3	131.6	
1947	3,817,000	3,347,000	469,000		26.6	26.1	31.2	 113.3	111.8	125.9	
1946	3,411,000	2,990,000	420,000		24.1	23.6	28.4	 101.9	100.4	113.9	
1945	2,858,000	2,471,000	388,000		20.4	19.7	26.5	 85.9	83.4	106.0	
1944	2,939,000	2,545,000	394,000		21.2	20.5	27.4	 88.8	86.3	108.5	
1943	3,104,000	2,704,000	400,000		22.7	22.1	28.3	 94.3	92.3	111.0	
1942	2,989,000	2,605,000	384,000		22.2	21.5	27.7	 91.5	89.5	107.6	
1941	2,703,000	2,330,000	374,000		20.3	19.5	27.3	 83.4	80.7	105.4	
1940	2,559,000	2,199,000	360,000		19.4	18.6	26.7	 79.9	77.1	102.4	
1939	2,466,000	2,117,000	349,000		18.8	18.0	26.1	 77.6	74.8	100.1	
1938	2,496,000	2,148,000	348,000		19.2	18.4	26.3	 79.1	76.5	100.5	
1937	2,413,000	2,071,000	342,000	i i	18.7	17.9 I	26.0	 77.1	74.4	99.4	
1936	2,355,000	2,027,000	328,000	i i	18.4	17.6	25.1	 75.8	73.3	95.9	
1935	2,377,000	2,042,000	334,000		18.7	17.9 I	25.8	 77.2	74.5	98.4	
1934	2,396,000	2,058,000	338,000	i i	19.0	18.1 i	26.3	 78.5	75.8 I	100.4	
1933	2,307,000		325,000	i i	18.4	17.6	25.5	 76.3	73.7	97.3	
1932	2,440,000	2,099,000	341,000	i i	19.5	18.7	26.9	 81.7	79.0	103.0	
1931	2,506,000	2,170,000	335,000		20.2	19.5 i	26.6	 84.6	82.4	102.1	
1930	2,618,000	2,274,000	344,000		21.3	20.6	27.5	 89.2	87.1	105.9	
1929	2,582,000	2,244,000	339,000		21.2	20.5	27.3	 89.3	87.3	106.1	
1928	2,674,000	2,325,000	349,000	i i	22.2	21.5	28.5	 93.8	91.7	111.0	
1927	2,802,000	2,425,000	377,000	i i	23.5	22.7	31.1	 99.8	97.1	121.7	
1926	2,839,000	2,441,000	398,000	i i	24.2	23.1	33.4	 102.6	99.2	130.3	
1925	2,909,000	2,506,000	403,000	i i	25.1	24.1	34.2	 106.6	103.3	134.0	
1924	2,979,000	2,577,000	401,000	· i	26.1	25.1	34.6	 110.9	107.8	135.6	
1923	2,910,000	2,531,000	380,000		26.0	25.2	33.2	 110.5	108.0	130.5	
1922	2,882,000	2,507,000	375,000		26.2	25.4	33.2	 111.2	108.8	130.8	
1921	3,055,000		398,000		28.1	27.3	35.8	 119.8	117.2	140.8	
1920	2,950,000	2,566,000	383,000	· i	27.7	26.9	35.0	 117.9	115.4	137.5	
1919	2,740,000	2,387,000	353,000	· 	26.1	25.3	32.4	111.2			
1918	2,948,000		360,000	 	28.2	27.6	33.0	 119.8			
1917	2,944,000	2,587,000	357,000		28.5	27.0	32.9	1 121.0			
1916	2,964,000		1	 	29.1	28.5	I	 123.4	121.8		
1915	2,965,000			 	29.5	28.9		 125.4	123.2		
1914					29.9	29.3					
· ·	2,966,000	2,588,000						 126.6	124.6		
1913	2,869,000	2,497,000			29.5	28.8		 124.7	122.4		
1912	2,840,000	2,467,000			29.8	29.0		 125.8	120.0		
1911	2,809,000				29.9	29.1		 126.3			
1910	2,777,000				30.1	29.2		 126.8	123.8		
1909	∠ , /18 , 000	2,344,000			30.0	29.2		 126.8	123.6		

- --- Data not available.
- 1/ Based on 100 percent of births in selected States and on a 50-percent sample of births in all other States; see Technical Appendix.
- 2/ Based on a 50-percent sample of births.
 3/ Based on a 20- to 50-percent sample of births.
- 4/ Figures exclude data for residents of New Jersey; see Technical Appendix.
- 5/ For method of adjustment see Technical Appendix.

 NOTE: Population data for American Indian and Asian and Pacific Islander subgroups were not available prior to 1980. Data for these groups are included in All other - Total.