

Table 1-2. First Birth Rates by Age of Mother, According to Race and Hispanic Origin: United States, Selected Years, 1940-97

(First births rates are first live births per 1,000 women in the specified group. Beginning 1970 excludes births to nonresidents of the United States; see Technical Appendix)

Year, race, and Hispanic origin	Age of Mother										
	15-44 years (1)	10-14 years	15-19 years			20-24 years	25-29 years	30-34 years	35-39 years	40-44 years	45-49 years (2)
			Total	15-17 years	18-19 years						
ALL RACES Registered births											
1997	26.5	1.1	40.8	28.3	60.2	51.2	42.7	24.0	8.0	1.5	0.1
1996	26.8	1.2	42.5	29.8	62.0	52.0	42.7	23.4	7.8	1.4	0.1
1995	27.3	1.3	44.6	31.6	64.8	52.7	42.6	22.9	7.5	1.4	0.1
1994	27.5	1.4	45.8	32.8	65.6	52.9	42.3	22.3	7.3	1.3	0.1
1993	27.5	1.3	45.3	32.5	64.4	52.9	42.5	21.7	7.1	1.2	0.1
1992	27.8	1.3	45.2	32.0	64.7	53.4	42.8	21.2	6.9	1.1	0.0
1991	28.3	1.3	46.5	32.9	65.3	54.7	43.1	20.9	6.8	1.0	0.0
1990	29.0	1.3	45.1	31.9	62.0	55.2	44.1	21.2	6.7	1.0	0.0
1989(3)	28.4	1.4	43.5	31.1	59.5	54.0	42.8	20.2	6.3	0.9	0.0
1988(3)	27.6	1.3	40.5	28.9	56.6	52.5	41.5	19.4	5.7	0.8	0.0
1987(3)	27.2	1.3	39.0	27.5	55.9	52.1	40.1	18.6	5.3	0.7	0.0
1986(3)	27.2	1.2	38.8	26.6	57.1	52.3	39.0	17.7	4.7	0.6	0.0
1985(3)	27.6	1.2	39.4	27.0	57.2	52.7	38.9	17.0	4.5	0.5	0.0
1984(3,4)	27.4	1.1	39.1	27.0	55.8	52.1	38.1	16.3	4.1	0.5	0.0
1983(3,4)	27.8	1.1	39.9	27.8	56.1	52.7	37.9	15.4	3.7	0.4	0.0
1982(3,4)	28.6	1.1	40.7	28.2	57.4	54.8	38.4	14.6	3.3	0.4	0.0
1981(3,4)	29.0	1.0	40.7	28.0	58.2	55.9	38.6	13.3	2.8	0.4	0.0
1980(4)	29.5	1.1	41.4	28.5	59.7	57.3	38.2	12.8	2.6	0.3	0.0
1979(4)	28.6	1.2	40.9	28.4	59.0	55.0	36.5	11.8	2.4	0.3	0.0
1978(4)	27.8	1.1	40.2	28.3	57.7	53.1	34.8	10.8	2.2	0.3	0.0
1977(4)	28.2	1.2	41.3	29.8	58.4	54.1	34.2	9.7	2.0	0.3	0.0
1976(4)	27.5	1.2	41.4	30.1	58.2	52.9	31.7	8.7	1.9	0.3	0.0
1975(4)	28.1	1.2	43.9	32.0	61.8	54.0	31.4	8.0	1.9	0.3	0.0
1974(4)	28.7	1.2	45.6	33.0	64.9	55.8	31.5	7.7	1.8	0.3	0.0
1973(4)	28.6	1.2	47.3	34.2	67.5	56.0	29.7	7.2	1.7	0.3	0.0
1972(4)	29.8	1.1	49.1	34.5	71.9	60.6	29.2	7.0	1.8	0.3	0.0
1971(5)	32.0	1.1	50.7	33.3	77.6	68.9	30.2	7.0	1.9	0.4	0.0
1970(5)	34.2	1.1	53.7	33.8	84.9	78.2	31.2	7.3	2.1	0.4	0.0
1969(5)	32.6	1.0	50.8	30.9	82.2	76.8	30.1	7.0	2.1	0.5	0.0
1968(5)	31.9	0.9	50.5	30.1	82.5	76.1	29.6	7.3	2.4	0.5	0.0
1967(6)	30.7	0.8	50.8	29.8	82.9	74.8	26.4	6.5	2.2	0.5	0.0
1966(5)	30.9	0.8	52.7	30.1	85.3	77.5	25.7	7.1	2.6	0.6	0.0
1965(5)	29.7	0.8	51.6	30.5	85.2	75.4	24.6	7.2	2.7	0.6	0.0

1964(5)	30.3	0.8	52.3	30.7	94.1	80.4	25.2	7.7	2.9	0.7	0.0
1963(5)	29.9	0.8	53.8	30.3	95.7	81.2	24.3	7.2	2.6	0.6	0.0
1962(5)	29.9	0.8	56.1	30.9	96.5	82.5	24.6	7.4	2.7	0.7	0.0
1961(5)	30.9	0.8	61.3	35.5	99.5	85.7	25.6	8.1	3.0	0.7	0.0
1960(5)	31.1	0.8	61.4	37.3	105.4	87.9	26.6	8.6	3.2	0.8	0.0

Births Adjusted for Underregistration(7)

1955	32.9	0.9	63.7	---	---	90.5	33.0	11.5	4.5	1.1	0.1
1950	33.3	0.9	57.7	---	---	80.2	37.1	14.5	5.7	1.2	0.1
1945	28.9	0.8	38.5	---	---	67.1	34.4	15.7	6.4	1.2	0.1
1940	29.3	0.6	39.8	---	---	63.3	37.8	15.4	4.5	0.8	0.1

WHITE, TOTAL
Registered Births
Race of mother

1997	26.2	0.7	37.1	24.3	56.8	51.6	45.0	24.9	8.2	1.5	0.1
1996	26.6	0.7	38.7	25.6	58.8	52.8	45.0	24.3	8.0	1.5	0.1
1995	26.9	0.8	40.6	27.0	61.5	53.3	44.7	23.8	7.7	1.4	0.1
1994	27.0	0.8	41.1	27.6	61.8	53.2	44.3	23.0	7.5	1.3	0.1
1993	27.0	0.8	40.6	27.0	60.9	53.1	44.4	22.4	7.3	1.2	0.1
1992	27.3	0.7	40.5	26.5	61.1	53.4	44.7	22.0	7.1	1.1	0.0
1991	27.8	0.7	41.5	27.1	61.5	54.7	45.0	21.7	7.0	1.0	0.0
1990	28.4	0.7	40.1	26.1	57.8	55.1	45.9	22.0	6.9	1.0	0.0
1989(3)	27.6	0.7	38.0	25.0	54.4	53.6	44.5	20.9	6.5	0.9	0.0
1988(3)	26.8	0.6	35.3	23.2	51.9	52.0	43.1	20.0	5.8	0.8	0.0
1987(3)	26.5	0.6	33.9	22.0	51.5	51.7	41.8	19.3	5.4	0.7	0.0
1986(3)	26.6	0.6	33.9	21.3	52.6	52.2	40.8	18.5	4.8	0.6	0.0
1985(3)	27.0	0.6	34.6	21.9	52.8	52.9	40.7	17.8	4.5	0.5	0.0
1984(3,4)	26.8	0.6	34.2	21.7	51.4	52.3	39.9	17.0	4.1	0.5	0.0
1983(3,4)	27.2	0.6	35.1	22.5	51.8	53.0	39.7	16.1	3.7	0.4	0.0
1982(3,4)	28.0	0.6	36.0	22.9	53.4	55.3	40.3	15.1	3.3	0.4	0.0
1981(3,4)	28.4	0.5	36.2	22.8	54.3	56.6	40.5	13.7	2.8	0.3	0.0
1980(4)	28.8	0.6	36.5	23.0	55.5	58.0	40.1	13.0	2.5	0.3	0.0

Race of child

1980(4)	28.4	0.6	36.0	22.7	54.8	57.2	39.6	12.8	2.5	0.3	0.0
1979(4)	27.4	0.6	35.2	22.3	53.8	54.8	37.9	11.8	2.3	0.3	0.0
1978(4)	26.6	0.6	34.6	22.4	52.4	53.0	36.0	10.9	2.1	0.3	0.0
1977(4)	26.9	0.6	35.5	23.6	53.1	54.2	35.5	9.7	2.0	0.3	0.0
1976(4)	26.3	0.6	35.7	23.9	53.1	53.0	32.7	8.8	1.9	0.3	0.0
1975(4)	26.7	0.6	37.8	25.4	56.3	54.2	32.3	7.9	1.8	0.3	0.0
1974(4)	27.2	0.6	39.2	26.1	59.3	56.1	32.4	7.7	1.7	0.3	0.0
1973(4)	27.0	0.6	40.6	26.8	61.7	56.1	30.6	7.2	1.7	0.3	0.0
1972(4)	28.1	0.5	42.1	26.8	65.7	60.7	29.9	6.9	1.8	0.3	0.0
1971(5)	30.5	0.5	43.9	25.8	71.7	69.5	31.1	7.0	1.9	0.4	0.0
1970(5)	32.9	0.5	47.1	26.4	79.3	79.4	32.3	7.4	2.1	0.4	0.0
1969(5)	31.4	0.4	44.4	23.8	76.7	77.9	31.2	7.0	2.1	0.4	0.0
1968(5)	30.8	0.4	44.3	23.0	77.4	77.4	30.8	7.4	2.5	0.5	0.0

1967(6)	29.6	0.3	45.0	22.8	78.2	76.2	27.5	6.7	2.2	0.5	0.0
1966(5)	30.0	0.3	47.6	23.6	81.5	79.4	26.6	7.2	2.6	0.6	0.0
1965(5)	28.9	0.3	46.7	24.4	81.6	77.2	25.4	7.4	2.8	0.7	0.0
1964(5)	29.8	0.3	47.6	25.2	90.8	82.9	26.3	7.9	2.9	0.7	0.0
1963(5,8)	29.4	0.3	50.0	24.4	91.4	83.4	24.8	7.3	2.6	0.6	0.0
1962(5,8)	29.6	0.4	52.6	25.0	92.3	85.3	25.2	7.5	2.7	0.7	0.0
1961(5)	30.6	0.4	57.2	29.9	97.5	89.1	26.6	8.3	3.0	0.7	0.0
1960(5)	30.8	0.3	57.2	22.0	103.5	91.5	27.7	8.9	3.3	0.8	0.0

Births Adjusted for Underregistration(7)

1955	32.6	0.4	58.5	---	---	94.4	34.4	11.9	4.6	1.1	0.1
1950	33.3	0.4	52.4	---	---	83.5	39.1	15.1	5.9	1.3	0.1
1945	29.0	0.3	33.6	---	---	69.8	36.7	16.7	6.8	1.3	0.1
1940	29.4	0.2	34.6	---	---	65.8	41.0	16.6	4.8	0.8	0.1

WHITE, NON-HISPANIC

1997	23.9	0.4	29.7	17.8	48.0	45.3	44.8	25.7	8.3	1.5	0.1
1996	24.2	0.4	31.1	19.1	49.7	46.3	44.7	25.0	8.1	1.5	0.1
1995	24.6	0.4	32.6	20.3	51.9	47.1	44.7	24.4	7.8	1.4	0.1
1994	24.7	0.5	33.4	21.0	52.5	47.3	44.2	23.6	7.6	1.3	0.1
1993	24.4	0.5	32.8	20.4	51.3	46.9	43.7	22.4	7.2	1.2	0.1
1992(9)	25.2	0.4	33.4	20.5	52.6	48.0	44.7	22.5	7.2	1.1	0.0

BLACK, TOTAL
Registered Births
Race of mother

1997	27.3	3.2	64.0	51.3	83.5	52.0	26.2	14.1	5.3	1.0	0.0
1996	27.6	3.5	65.9	54.4	83.7	51.3	26.5	13.8	5.1	0.9	0.0
1995	28.7	4.1	69.7	58.5	87.2	52.8	27.1	13.9	4.8	0.9	0.0
1994	29.8	4.5	73.9	62.7	91.3	54.7	27.6	13.9	4.7	0.9	0.0
1993	30.2	4.4	74.2	64.2	89.2	55.6	28.3	13.5	4.4	0.8	0.0
1992	30.6	4.5	74.3	63.8	89.6	56.5	28.7	13.2	4.4	0.8	0.0
1991	31.5	4.6	76.6	65.9	91.2	58.0	28.9	12.9	4.2	0.7	0.0
1990	32.4	4.7	75.7	64.9	89.9	58.4	29.9	12.9	4.0	0.7	0.0
1989(3)	32.9	5.0	76.6	65.6	91.7	58.3	29.7	12.4	3.9	0.7	0.0
1988(3)	31.8	4.7	71.6	61.3	86.8	56.7	28.2	11.6	3.6	0.7	0.0
1987(3)	31.2	4.6	69.0	59.0	84.0	55.5	26.8	11.0	3.3	0.6	0.0
1986(3)	31.0	4.5	68.3	57.3	84.7	54.2	25.5	10.4	3.1	0.5	0.0
1985(3)	31.0	4.4	68.1	57.1	83.7	53.2	24.9	9.5	3.1	0.4	0.0
1984(3,4)	30.9	4.2	67.4	57.2	81.4	51.8	23.9	9.2	2.9	0.4	0.0
1983(3,4)	31.1	4.0	67.5	57.6	81.1	51.1	23.3	8.8	2.7	0.4	0.0
1982(3,4)	31.7	3.9	67.3	57.4	81.2	51.7	23.2	8.6	2.5	0.3	0.0
1981(3,4)	32.3	3.9	67.3	57.1	82.0	52.0	23.2	8.3	2.2	0.4	0.0
1980(4)	33.7	4.2	70.3	60.5	84.9	53.1	22.7	8.4	2.2	0.3	0.0
Race of child											
1980(4)	35.2	4.2	71.8	61.3	87.3	55.9	24.3	9.1	2.4	0.3	0.0
1979(4)	35.3	4.4	73.3	63.3	88.3	54.6	23.4	8.3	2.3	0.3	0.0

1978(4)	34.6	4.3	72.4	62.3	87.6	52.1	22.2	7.6	2.1	0.3	0.0
1977(4)	35.6	4.5	75.5	66.2	89.7	52.7	21.8	7.1	2.0	0.3	0.0
1976(4)	35.2	4.5	75.5	66.9	88.6	51.0	20.9	6.3	1.8	0.3	0.0
1975(4)	36.9	4.9	80.8	71.7	95.1	51.9	20.8	6.0	1.7	0.3	0.0
1974(4)	37.7	4.9	84.4	75.3	98.9	52.5	20.1	5.9	1.6	0.3	0.0
1973(4)	38.9	5.2	89.2	80.1	103.7	54.0	18.6	5.2	1.5	0.3	0.0
1972(4)	40.7	4.9	93.6	82.5	111.8	58.5	18.6	5.3	1.4	0.2	0.0
1971(5)	41.7	4.9	94.4	80.8	116.9	63.8	18.7	5.1	1.6	0.3	0.0
1970(5)	43.3	5.0	92.6	82.0	123.1	69.8	19.8	5.6	1.8	0.3	0.0
1969(5)	41.2	4.6	93.7	77.8	119.8	67.9	18.5	5.4	1.9	0.4	0.0
1968(5)	39.8	4.5	93.2	77.2	119.6	65.8	17.5	5.1	1.9	0.4	0.0
1967(6)	38.0	4.2	92.0	76.4	118.3	63.4	15.9	4.6	1.7	0.4	0.0
1966(5)	36.9	4.1	90.2	74.3	117.3	63.0	15.9	5.1	1.9	0.4	0.0
1965(5)	35.0	4.1	88.7	74.6	114.7	61.8	16.1	5.0	2.0	0.5	0.0
1964(5)	35.0	4.0	88.8	72.7	119.8	62.7	16.3	5.4	2.2	0.6	0.0
1961-63	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
1960(5)	33.6	4.1	90.0	---	---	63.8	19.0	7.0	2.9	0.7	0.0

BLACK, NON-HISPANIC

1997	28.0	3.3	65.8	52.8	85.7	53.1	26.7	14.5	5.4	1.0	0.0
1996	28.3	3.7	67.8	56.0	86.1	52.6	27.1	14.2	5.2	0.9	0.0
1995	29.5	4.2	72.0	60.5	90.1	54.4	28.0	14.3	4.9	0.9	0.0
1994	30.6	4.6	76.1	64.6	93.9	56.1	28.3	14.2	4.8	0.9	0.0
1993	30.7	4.5	75.9	65.8	91.1	56.5	28.7	13.7	4.4	0.8	0.0
1992(9)	31.4	4.7	76.5	65.8	92.2	58.0	29.4	13.5	4.4	0.8	0.0

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1997	38.8	2.3	73.8	57.2	98.9	79.8	43.2	18.5	6.5	1.4	0.1
1996	40.1	2.5	77.1	59.4	103.5	83.2	43.5	18.5	6.4	1.4	0.1
1995	40.8	2.6	81.5	62.7	109.9	84.0	41.9	17.9	6.5	1.4	0.1
1994	40.9	2.7	81.9	63.6	109.2	83.7	41.6	17.8	6.2	1.3	0.1
1993	40.7	2.6	79.7	61.0	107.5	82.6	41.4	17.4	6.0	1.2	0.1
1992(9)	41.0	2.5	79.0	60.1	106.7	83.3	41.7	17.1	5.9	1.1	0.1

--- Data not available.

1/ Rates computed by relating total first births, regardless of the age of mother, to women aged 15-44 years.

2/ Beginning 1997, rates computed by relating first births to women aged 45-54 years to women aged 45-49 years.

3/ Rates for 1981-89 are revised and therefore may differ from those published in Vital Statistics of the United States, Volume 1, Natality, for 1989 and previous years; see Technical Appendix.

4/ Based on 100 percent of births in selected States and on a 50-percent sample of births in all other States; see Technical Appendix.

5/ Based on a 50-percent sample of births.

6/ Based on a 20- to 50-percent sample of births.

7/ For method of adjustment see Technical Appendix.

8/ Figures exclude data for residents of New Jersey; see Technical Appendix.

9/ Rates for 1992 based on data for 49 States and the District of Columbia which reported Hispanic origin on the birth certificate.

10/ Persons of Hispanic origin may be of any race.