

Prevalence of Selected Maternal and Child Health Indicators for Connecticut, Pregnancy Risk Assessment Monitoring System (PRAMS), 2016-2017

Health Indicator	2016		2017		Overall 2017 [§]
	N*	% (95% CI) [†]	N*	% (95% CI) [†]	% (95% CI) [†]
Nutrition					
• Multivitamin use ≥4 times a week during the month before pregnancy	1286	47.8 (44.5-51.1)	1464	48.9 (45.6-52.2)	40.4 (39.7-41.2)
Pre-pregnancy Weight					
• Underweight (Body Mass Index [BMI]<18.5 kg/m ²)	1232	3.6 (2.5-5.1)	1372	2.9 (2.0-4.0)	3.7 (3.4-4.0)
• Overweight (BMI 25-29.9 kg/m ²)	1232	24.6 (21.7-27.7)	1372	28.1 (25.1-31.4)	25.6 (24.9-26.3)
• Obese (BMI≥30 kg/m ²)	1232	26.1 (23.2-29.3)	1372	25.5 (22.6-28.8)	25.3 (24.6-26.0)
Substance Use					
• Any cigarette smoking					
• During the 3 months before pregnancy	1269	16.5 (13.9-19.4)	1449	12.5 (10.2-15.1)	17.7 (17.1-18.3)
• During the last 3 months of pregnancy	1271	5.5 (4.1-7.5)	1451	5.1 (3.6-7.0)	8.1 (7.7-8.6)
• Postpartum	1271	9.4 (7.5-11.7)	1449	7.8 (6.0-10.0)	11.7 (11.2-12.2)
• Any e-cigarette use					
• During the 3 months before pregnancy	1276	2.6 (1.7-4.0)	1449	2.0 (1.1-3.5)	3.7 (3.4-4.0)
• During the last 3 months of pregnancy	1280	0.3 (0.1-0.7)	1450	0.3 (0.1-1.0)	1.1 (1.0-1.3)
• Hookah use in the last 2 years	1274	5.1 (3.9-6.6)	1450	5.8 (4.4-7.5)	4.8 (4.4-5.1)
• Heavy drinking (8 or more drinks a week) during the 3 months before pregnancy	1272	2.1 (1.3-3.6)	1440	3.5 (2.3-5.3)	2.6 (2.4-2.9)
Intimate Partner Violence (IPV)[¶]					
• Experienced IPV during the 12 months before pregnancy by a husband or partner and/or an ex-husband or partner	1278	2.2 (1.4-3.4)	1448	2.0 (1.3-2.8)	3.0 (2.7-3.2)
• Experienced IPV during pregnancy by a husband or partner and/or an ex-husband or partner	1275	2.3 (1.5-3.7)	1444	1.7 (1.1-2.7)	2.2 (2.0-2.4)
Depression					
• Self-reported depression in the 3 months before pregnancy	1284	8.9 (7.1-11.1)	1462	9.3 (7.4-11.6)	12.8 (12.3-13.3)
• Self-reported depression during pregnancy	1266	8.7 (6.9-10.9)	1445	10.4 (8.4-12.7)	12.0 (11.5-12.5)
• Self-reported postpartum depressive symptoms [‡]	1265	10.5 (8.6-12.6)	1430	12.7 (10.7-15.1)	12.5 (12.0-13.0)
Health Care Services					
• Health care visit in the 12 months before pregnancy	1280	78.7 (76.2-81.0)	1445	72.9 (70.2-75.5)	67.7 (67.0-68.4)
• Began prenatal care in 1st trimester	1272	92.1 (90.3-93.6)	1431	91.5 (89.8-92.9)	86.9 (86.4-87.4)
• Had a flu shot in the 12 months before birth	1272	70.4 (67.2-73.4)	1413	69.8 (66.6-72.9)	58.9 (58.2-59.7)
• Had maternal postpartum checkup	1269	95.4 (93.9-96.5)	1441	93.8 (92.1-95.1)	90.3 (89.8-90.7)
Pregnancy Intention					
• Mistimed	1279	16.9 (14.7-19.5)	1442	15.9 (13.7-18.3)	19.5 (18.9-20.1)
• Unwanted pregnancy	1279	4.7 (3.6-6.2)	1442	4.2 (3.1-5.6)	6.1 (5.7-6.5)
• Unsure whether wanted pregnancy	1279	14.6 (12.4-17.2)	1442	14.4 (12.2-16.8)	15.5 (15.0-16.1)
• Intended pregnancy	1279	63.7 (60.5-66.8)	1442	65.6 (62.4-68.6)	58.9 (58.1-59.6)

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Postpartum^{§§} Family Planning					
• Use of any postpartum contraception**	1256	75.2 (72.0-78.1)	1426	73.4 (70.3-76.4)	77.0 (76.3-77.6)
• Highly effective contraceptive methods					
• Male or female sterilization	1256	9.5 (7.7-11.7)	1426	7.7 (6.1-9.6)	11.2 (10.7-11.6)
• Long acting reversible contraceptive method ^{††}	1256	16.9 (14.5-19.6)	1426	16.4 (14.1-19.0)	17.0 (16.5-17.6)
• Moderately effective contraceptive methods ^{††}	1256	25.1 (22.2-28.2)	1426	26.1 (23.2-29.2)	25.6 (24.9-26.3)
• Least effective contraceptive methods ^{††}	1256	23.7 (20.9-26.7)	1426	23.2 (20.4-26.3)	23.2 (22.5-23.8)
Oral Health					
• Teeth cleaned during pregnancy by a dentist or dental hygienist	1284	58.8 (55.5-62.0)	1455	56.1 (52.8-59.3)	46.3 (45.5-47.0)
Health Insurance Status One Month Before Pregnancy^{††}					
• Private insurance	1263	67.4 (64.5-70.1)	1416	64.6 (61.7-67.4)	63.0 (62.2-63.7)
• Medicaid	1263	23.2 (20.6-26.0)	1416	26.2 (23.5-29.1)	23.0 (22.3-23.6)
• No insurance	1263	9.4 (8.0-11.1)	1416	9.2 (7.8-10.8)	13.2 (12.6-13.7)
Health Insurance Status for Prenatal Care^{††}					
• Private insurance	1223	64.9 (61.9-67.8)	1319	63.0 (60.0-66.0)	60.7 (59.9-61.4)
• Medicaid	1223	31.7 (28.8-34.7)	1319	35.3 (32.3-38.4)	35.6 (34.9-36.4)
• No insurance	1223	3.3 (2.5-4.4)	1319	1.7 (1.2-2.3)	2.6 (2.3-2.9)
Health Insurance Status Postpartum^{††§§}					
• Private insurance	1255	62.2 (59.1-65.1)	1422	58.9 (55.9-61.9)	58.5 (57.7-59.2)
• Medicaid	1255	29.8 (27.0-32.9)	1422	34.0 (31.1-37.0)	29.7 (29.0-30.4)
• No insurance	1255	8.0 (6.6-9.6)	1422	7.1 (5.9-8.4)	10.8 (10.3-11.3)
Infant Sleep Practices					
• Baby most often laid on back to sleep	1248	77.2 (74.5-79.7)	1416	79.6 (77.0-82.0)	79.5 (78.9-80.2)
Breastfeeding Practices					
• Ever breastfed	1255	90.9 (88.7-92.8)	1422	91.2 (89.0-93.0)	87.7 (87.2-88.2)
• Any breastfeeding at 8 weeks	1251	71.4 (68.1-74.4)	1415	72.1 (68.9-75.1)	67.7 (67.0-68.4)

[§]PRAMS site aggregate for 2017: Alabama, Alaska, Colorado, Connecticut, Delaware, Georgia, Illinois, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Missouri, Montana, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New Mexico, New York City, New York State, North Carolina, North Dakota, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania, Puerto Rico, Rhode Island, South Dakota, Utah, Vermont, Virginia, Washington, West Virginia, Wisconsin, and Wyoming met the required 55% response rate threshold for inclusion.

*Unweighted sample size

[†]Weighted percent (95% Confidence Interval)

^{††}Defined as being pushed, hit, slapped, kicked, choked, or physically hurt in any way by a husband/partner and/or an ex-husband/ex-partner. In 2016 (Phase 8), the question response options were expanded to include “my ex-husband or ex-partner” in addition to “my husband or partner”

^{§§}Postpartum is defined as the time the PRAMS survey was completed

^{§§§}Defined as “always” or “often” feeling down, depressed, or hopeless or having little interest or little pleasure in doing things she usually enjoyed since delivery.

**Defined as using any kind of birth control postpartum (female or male sterilization; intrauterine device (IUD); contraceptive implant; birth control pills; shots or injections; contraceptive patch; vaginal ring; condoms; rhythm method/natural family planning; withdrawal).

^{†††}Long-acting reversible contraception (LARC) methods include Intrauterine Device (IUD) or contraceptive implant. Moderately effective methods include birth control pills, shots or injections (e.g., Depo–Provera), contraceptive patch, and vaginal ring. Least effective methods include condom, rhythm method/natural family planning, and withdrawal. Women who selected the “other” write-in option were excluded from the analysis.

^{§§§§}Insurance is coded as Medicaid (Medicaid or state-named Medicaid program); Private (Private only, any other insurance in combination with private, TRICARE or other military insurance); No insurance (no insurance or Indian Health Service (IHS) only; in Alaska this also includes Alaska Tribal Health System that are part of the IHS response option); other state-specific government plans or programs such as SCHIP/CHIP are excluded from estimates.