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Race, Hispanic origin, and year	Crude birth rate ¹	Fertility rate ²	Age of mother									
			10–14 years	15–19 years			20–24 years	25–29 years	30–34 years	35–39 years	40–44 years	45–54 years ³
				Total	15–17 years	18–19 years						
All races												
Live births per 1,000 women												
1950	24.1	106.2	1.0	81.6	40.7	132.7	196.6	166.1	103.7	52.9	15.1	1.2
1960	23.7	118.0	0.8	89.1	43.9	166.7	258.1	197.4	112.7	56.2	15.5	0.9
1970	18.4	87.9	1.2	68.3	38.8	114.7	167.8	145.1	73.3	31.7	8.1	0.5
1980	15.9	68.4	1.1	53.0	32.5	82.1	115.1	112.9	61.9	19.8	3.9	0.2
1990	16.7	70.9	1.4	59.9	37.5	88.6	116.5	120.2	80.8	31.7	5.5	0.2
1995	14.6	64.6	1.3	56.0	35.5	87.7	107.5	108.8	81.1	34.0	6.6	0.3
2000	14.4	65.9	0.9	47.7	26.9	78.1	109.7	113.5	91.2	39.7	8.0	0.5
2005	14.0	66.7	0.6	39.7	21.1	68.4	101.8	116.5	96.7	46.4	9.1	0.6
2010	13.0	64.1	0.4	34.2	17.3	58.2	90.0	108.3	96.5	45.9	10.2	0.7
2014	12.5	62.9	0.3	24.2	10.9	43.8	79.0	105.8	100.8	51.0	10.6	0.8
2015	12.4	62.5	0.2	22.3	9.9	40.7	76.8	104.3	101.5	51.8	11.0	0.8
2016	12.2	62.0	0.2	20.3	8.8	37.5	73.8	102.1	102.7	52.7	11.4	0.9
2017	11.8	60.3	0.2	18.8	7.9	35.1	71.0	98.0	100.3	52.3	11.6	0.9
Race of child: ⁴ White												
1950	23.0	102.3	0.4	70.0	31.3	120.5	190.4	165.1	102.6	51.4	14.5	1.0
1960	22.7	113.2	0.4	79.4	35.5	154.6	252.8	194.9	109.6	54.0	14.7	0.8
1970	17.4	84.1	0.5	57.4	29.2	101.5	163.4	145.9	71.9	30.0	7.5	0.4
1980	14.9	64.7	0.6	44.7	25.2	72.1	109.5	112.4	60.4	18.5	3.4	0.2
Race of mother: ⁵ White												
1980	15.1	65.6	0.6	45.4	25.5	73.2	111.1	113.8	61.2	18.8	3.5	0.2
1990	15.8	68.3	0.7	50.8	29.5	78.0	109.8	120.7	81.7	31.5	5.2	0.2
1995	14.1	63.6	0.8	49.5	29.6	80.2	104.7	111.7	83.3	34.2	6.4	0.3
2000	13.9	65.3	0.6	43.2	23.3	72.3	106.6	116.7	94.6	40.2	7.9	0.4
2005	13.6	66.8	0.5	36.7	18.8	64.0	99.9	120.7	100.7	47.6	9.0	0.6
2010	12.5	64.4	0.3	31.9	15.8	54.8	87.9	111.9	100.5	46.4	10.0	0.6
2014	12.0	63.2	0.2	23.0	10.2	42.0	77.3	108.6	103.9	51.2	10.2	0.7
2015	12.0	63.1	0.2	21.3	9.2	39.3	75.3	107.6	104.8	52.2	10.6	0.8
2016	11.7	61.8	0.2	19.1	8.1	35.6	71.8	103.7	104.7	52.3	10.9	0.8
2017	11.3	59.8	0.1	17.6	7.1	33.2	68.7	99.4	102.1	51.6	11.0	0.8
Race of child: ⁴ Black or African American												
1960	31.9	153.5	4.3	156.1	---	---	295.4	218.6	137.1	73.9	21.9	1.1
1970	25.3	115.4	5.2	140.7	101.4	204.9	202.7	136.3	79.6	41.9	12.5	1.0
1980	22.1	88.1	4.3	100.0	73.6	138.8	146.3	109.1	62.9	24.5	5.8	0.3
Race of mother: ⁵ Black or African American												
1980	21.3	84.7	4.3	97.8	72.5	135.1	140.0	103.9	59.9	23.5	5.6	0.3
1990	22.4	86.8	4.9	112.8	82.3	152.9	160.2	115.5	68.7	28.1	5.5	0.3
1995	17.8	71.0	4.1	94.4	68.5	135.0	133.7	95.6	63.0	28.4	6.0	0.3
2000	17.0	70.0	2.3	77.4	49.0	118.8	141.3	100.3	65.4	31.5	7.2	0.4
2005	16.1	68.5	1.6	60.1	34.5	101.2	129.5	107.0	70.2	35.1	8.4	0.5
2010	15.1	66.3	1.0	51.1	27.3	84.8	118.1	101.8	73.0	36.4	9.3	0.7
2014	14.5	64.6	0.6	35.1	16.7	61.9	102.6	103.1	79.4	42.6	10.2	0.8
2015	14.3	64.0	0.5	32.0	15.3	57.1	100.2	101.8	81.0	43.4	10.7	0.9
2016	14.4	65.1	0.5	30.3	14.1	54.5	98.3	103.4	85.2	46.4	11.6	1.0
2017	14.3	64.9	0.4	28.7	13.0	52.1	96.7	102.1	86.5	47.7	12.2	1.0

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Race, Hispanic origin, and year	Crude birth rate ¹	Fertility rate ²	Age of mother									
			10–14 years	15–19 years			20–24 years	25–29 years	30–34 years	35–39 years	40–44 years	45–54 years ³
				Total	15–17 years	18–19 years						
American Indian or Alaska Native mother ⁵												
				Live births per 1,000 women								
1980	20.7	82.7	1.9	82.2	51.5	129.5	143.7	106.6	61.8	28.1	8.2	*
1990	18.9	76.2	1.6	81.1	48.5	129.3	148.7	110.3	61.5	27.5	5.9	*
1995	15.3	63.0	1.6	72.9	44.6	122.2	123.1	91.6	56.5	24.3	5.5	*
2000	14.0	58.7	1.1	58.3	34.1	97.1	117.2	91.8	55.5	24.6	5.7	0.3
2005	12.6	53.6	0.8	46.0	26.3	78.0	102.9	86.3	51.8	23.3	5.4	0.3
2010	11.0	48.6	0.5	38.7	20.1	66.1	91.0	74.4	48.4	22.3	5.2	0.3
2014	9.9	44.8	0.3	27.3	13.2	48.6	73.2	74.7	52.3	24.1	5.5	0.3
2015	9.7	43.9	0.3	25.7	12.7	45.8	70.2	73.2	51.7	25.2	5.8	0.4
2016	9.4	42.8	0.3	23.7	11.4	42.4	66.7	71.8	52.4	25.7	5.8	0.3
2017	8.9	40.8	0.3	21.9	10.3	39.4	63.5	67.7	50.3	25.3	5.7	0.4
Asian or Pacific Islander mother ⁵												
1980	19.9	73.2	0.3	26.2	12.0	46.2	93.3	127.4	96.0	38.3	8.5	0.7
1990	19.0	69.6	0.7	26.4	16.0	40.2	79.2	126.3	106.5	49.6	10.7	1.1
1995	16.7	62.6	0.7	25.5	15.6	40.1	64.2	103.7	102.3	50.1	11.8	0.8
2000	17.1	65.8	0.3	20.5	11.6	32.6	60.3	108.4	116.5	59.0	12.6	0.8
2005	15.9	63.0	0.2	15.4	7.7	26.4	52.9	96.6	115.3	61.8	13.7	1.0
2010	14.5	59.2	0.1	10.9	5.1	18.7	42.6	91.5	113.6	62.8	15.1	1.2
2014	14.6	60.7	0.1	7.7	3.3	13.9	37.5	90.0	121.3	68.9	16.1	1.5
2015	14.0	58.5	0.1	6.9	2.7	12.8	35.6	84.1	117.4	67.6	15.9	1.6
2016	14.8	62.1	0.1	7.3	2.9	13.5	37.3	89.7	124.8	71.7	16.5	1.6
2017	14.0	59.3	0.1	6.6	2.5	12.5	35.3	82.7	118.4	70.7	16.5	1.7
Hispanic or Latina mother ^{5,6}												
1980	23.5	95.4	1.7	82.2	52.1	126.9	156.4	132.1	83.2	39.9	10.6	0.7
1990	26.7	107.7	2.4	100.3	65.9	147.7	181.0	153.0	98.3	45.3	10.9	0.7
1995	24.1	98.8	2.6	99.3	68.3	145.4	171.9	140.4	90.5	43.7	10.7	0.6
2000	23.1	95.9	1.7	87.3	55.5	132.6	161.3	139.9	97.1	46.6	11.5	0.6
2005	22.9	96.4	1.3	76.5	45.8	124.4	161.1	147.0	105.6	53.3	12.8	0.8
2010	18.7	80.2	0.8	55.7	32.3	90.7	126.1	125.3	96.6	51.7	13.0	0.8
2014	16.5	72.1	0.4	38.0	19.3	66.1	104.5	118.7	96.5	53.6	13.5	0.9
2015	16.3	71.7	0.4	34.9	17.4	61.9	102.1	119.3	98.6	54.5	14.0	0.9
2016	16.0	70.6	0.4	31.9	15.6	57.3	98.4	117.4	99.2	55.8	14.5	0.9
2017	15.2	67.6	0.3	28.9	13.6	52.7	93.8	111.8	96.4	54.6	14.5	1.0
White, not Hispanic or Latina mother ^{5,6}												
1980	14.2	62.4	0.4	41.2	22.4	67.7	105.5	110.6	59.9	17.7	3.0	0.1
1990	14.4	62.8	0.5	42.5	23.2	66.6	97.5	115.3	79.4	30.0	4.7	0.2
1995	12.5	57.5	0.4	39.3	22.0	66.2	90.2	105.1	81.5	32.8	5.9	0.3
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2015	10.7	59.3	0.1	16.0	6.0	30.6	65.0	102.3	105.1	50.6	9.4	0.7
2016	10.5	58.8	0.1	14.4	5.3	27.9	62.5	99.1	106.0	51.0	9.8	0.7
2017	10.2	57.1	0.1	13.4	4.6	26.2	59.9	95.1	103.4	50.6	10.0	0.7

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Black or African American, not Hispanic or Latina mother ^{5,6}												
1980	22.9	90.7	4.6	105.1	77.2	146.5	152.2	111.7	65.2	25.8	5.8	0.3
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--- Data not available.

* Rates based on fewer than 20 births are considered unreliable and are not shown.

¹Live births per 1,000 population.

²Total number of live births regardless of age of mother per 1,000 women aged 15–44.

³Prior to 1997, data are for live births to mothers aged 45–49 per 1,000 women aged 45–49. In subsequent years, rates were computed by dividing the number of births to women aged 45 and over by the population of women aged 45–49. See Appendix II, Age.

⁴Live births are tabulated by race of child. See Appendix II, Race.

⁵Live births are tabulated by race and Hispanic origin of mother. See Appendix II, Race.

⁶Prior to 1993, data from states that did not report Hispanic origin on the birth certificate were excluded. See Appendix II, Hispanic origin. Rates in 1985 were not calculated because estimates for the Hispanic and non-Hispanic populations were not available.

NOTES: Estimates are based on four separate race categories; multiple-race data were bridged to the separate race categories as needed. Data are based on births adjusted for underregistration for 1950 and on registered births for all other years. Starting with 1970 data, births to persons who were not residents of the 50 states and the District of Columbia are excluded. Birth data for Alaska and Hawaii have been included since 1959 and 1960, respectively. Starting with *Health, United States, 2003*, rates for 1991–1999 were revised using intercensal population estimates based on the 1990 and 2000 Censuses. Rates for 2000 were based on bridged-race April 1, 2000, census counts. Starting with *Health, United States, 2012*, rates for 2001–2009 were revised using intercensal population estimates based on the 2000 and 2010 Censuses. Rates for 2010 were based on bridged-race April 1, 2010, census counts. Rates for 2011 and beyond were computed using 2010-based postcensal estimates. See Appendix I, Population Census and Population Estimates. 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 four separate race categories of the 1977 Office of Management and Budget standards, for comparability with other states. As of January 1, 2016, all states and reporting areas (other than American Samoa) had adopted the 2003 U.S. Standard Certificate of Live Birth. Bridged race categories are still presented in *Health, United States* to permit trend comparisons. See Appendix II, Race. Interpretation of trend data for Hispanic women 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: <https://www.cdc.gov/nchs/hus.htm>.

SOURCES: NCHS, National Vital Statistics System, public-use Birth File; Martin JA, Hamilton BE, Osterman MJK, Driscoll AK, Drake P. Births: Final data for 2017. National Vital Statistics Reports; vol 67 no 8. Hyattsville, MD: National Center for Health Statistics. 2018. Available from: https://www.cdc.gov/nchs/data/nvsr/nvsr67/nvsr67_08-508.pdf; Ventura SJ. Births of Hispanic parentage, 1980. Monthly Vital Statistics Reports; vol 32 no 6. Hyattsville, MD: National Center for Health Statistics. 1983. Available from: https://www.cdc.gov/nchs/data/mvssr/supp/mv32_06sacc.pdf; and Ventura SJ. Births of Hispanic parentage, 1985. Monthly Vital Statistics Reports; vol 36 no 11. Hyattsville, MD: National Center for Health Statistics. 1988. Available from: https://www.cdc.gov/nchs/data/mvssr/supp/mv36_11s.pdf; Internet release of: Vital statistics of the United States, 2003, vol 1, Natality. See Appendix I, National Vital Statistics System (NVSS).