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| Year              | Number           |           |         |                        |                           | Birth rate       |       |       |                        |                           | Fertility rate   |       |       |                        |                           |
|-------------------|------------------|-----------|---------|------------------------|---------------------------|------------------|-------|-------|------------------------|---------------------------|------------------|-------|-------|------------------------|---------------------------|
|                   | All races<br>(1) | White     | Black   | American Indian<br>(2) | Asian or Pacific Islander | All races<br>(1) | White | Black | American Indian<br>(2) | Asian or Pacific Islander | All races<br>(1) | White | Black | American Indian<br>(2) | Asian or Pacific Islander |
| Registered Births |                  |           |         |                        |                           |                  |       |       |                        |                           |                  |       |       |                        |                           |
| Race of mother    |                  |           |         |                        |                           |                  |       |       |                        |                           |                  |       |       |                        |                           |
| 1994.....         | 3,952,767        | 3,121,004 | 636,391 | 37,740                 | 157,632                   | 15.2             | 14.4  | 19.5  | 17.1                   | 17.5                      | 66.7             | 64.9  | 76.9  | 70.9                   | 66.8                      |
| 1993.....         | 4,000,240        | 3,149,833 | 658,875 | 38,732                 | 152,800                   | 15.5             | 14.7  | 20.5  | 17.8                   | 17.7                      | 67.6             | 65.4  | 80.5  | 73.4                   | 66.7                      |
| 1992.....         | 4,065,014        | 3,201,678 | 673,633 | 39,453                 | 150,250                   | 15.9             | 15.0  | 21.3  | 18.4                   | 18.0                      | 68.9             | 66.5  | 83.2  | 75.4                   | 67.2                      |
| 1991.....         | 4,110,907        | 3,241,273 | 682,602 | 38,841                 | 145,372                   | 16.3             | 15.4  | 21.9  | 18.3                   | 18.2                      | 69.6             | 67.0  | 85.2  | 75.1                   | 67.6                      |
| 1990.....         | 4,158,212        | 3,290,273 | 684,336 | 39,051                 | 141,635                   | 16.7             | 15.8  | 22.4  | 18.9                   | 19.0                      | 70.9             | 68.3  | 86.8  | 76.2                   | 69.6                      |
| 1989.....         | 4,040,958        | 3,192,355 | 673,124 | 39,478                 | 133,075                   | 16.4             | 15.4  | 22.3  | 19.7                   | 18.7                      | 69.2             | 66.4  | 86.2  | 79.0                   | 68.2                      |
| 1988.....         | 3,909,510        | 3,102,083 | 638,562 | 37,088                 | 129,035                   | 16.0             | 15.0  | 21.5  | 19.3                   | 19.2                      | 67.3             | 64.5  | 82.6  | 76.8                   | 70.2                      |
| 1987.....         | 3,809,394        | 3,043,828 | 611,173 | 35,322                 | 116,560                   | 15.7             | 14.9  | 20.8  | 19.1                   | 18.4                      | 65.8             | 63.3  | 80.1  | 75.6                   | 67.1                      |
| 1986.....         | 3,756,547        | 3,019,175 | 592,910 | 34,169                 | 107,797                   | 15.6             | 14.8  | 20.5  | 19.2                   | 18.0                      | 65.4             | 63.1  | 78.9  | 75.9                   | 66.0                      |
| 1985.....         | 3,760,561        | 3,037,913 | 581,824 | 34,037                 | 104,606                   | 15.8             | 15.0  | 20.4  | 19.8                   | 18.7                      | 66.3             | 64.1  | 78.8  | 78.6                   | 68.4                      |
| 1984(3).....      | 3,669,141        | 2,967,100 | 568,138 | 33,256                 | 98,926                    | 15.6             | 14.8  | 20.1  | 20.1                   | 18.8                      | 65.5             | 63.2  | 78.2  | 79.8                   | 69.2                      |
| 1983(3).....      | 3,638,933        | 2,946,468 | 562,624 | 32,881                 | 95,713                    | 15.6             | 14.8  | 20.2  | 20.6                   | 19.5                      | 65.7             | 63.4  | 78.7  | 81.8                   | 71.7                      |
| 1982(3).....      | 3,680,537        | 2,984,817 | 568,506 | 32,436                 | 93,193                    | 15.9             | 15.1  | 20.7  | 21.1                   | 20.3                      | 67.3             | 64.8  | 80.9  | 83.6                   | 74.8                      |
| 1981(3).....      | 3,629,238        | 2,947,679 | 564,955 | 29,688                 | 84,553                    | 15.8             | 15.0  | 20.8  | 20.0                   | 20.1                      | 67.3             | 64.8  | 82.0  | 79.6                   | 73.7                      |
| 1980(3).....      | 3,612,258        | 2,936,351 | 568,080 | 29,389                 | 74,355                    | 15.9             | 15.1  | 21.3  | 20.7                   | 19.9                      | 68.4             | 65.6  | 84.7  | 82.7                   | 73.2                      |
| Race of child     |                  |           |         |                        |                           |                  |       |       |                        |                           |                  |       |       |                        |                           |
| 1980(3).....      | 3,612,258        | 2,898,732 | 589,616 | 36,797                 | ---                       | 15.9             | 14.9  | 22.1  | ---                    | ---                       | 68.4             | 64.7  | 88.1  | ---                    | ---                       |
| 1979(3).....      | 3,494,398        | 2,808,420 | 577,855 | 34,269                 | ---                       | 15.6             | 14.5  | 22.0  | ---                    | ---                       | 67.2             | 63.4  | 88.3  | ---                    | ---                       |
| 1978(3).....      | 3,333,279        | 2,681,116 | 551,540 | 33,160                 | ---                       | 15.0             | 14.0  | 21.3  | ---                    | ---                       | 65.5             | 61.7  | 86.7  | ---                    | ---                       |
| 1977(3).....      | 3,326,632        | 2,691,070 | 544,221 | 30,500                 | ---                       | 15.1             | 14.1  | 21.4  | ---                    | ---                       | 66.8             | 63.2  | 88.1  | ---                    | ---                       |
| 1976(3).....      | 3,167,788        | 2,567,614 | 514,479 | 29,009                 | ---                       | 14.6             | 13.6  | 20.5  | ---                    | ---                       | 65.0             | 61.5  | 85.8  | ---                    | ---                       |
| 1975(3).....      | 3,144,198        | 2,551,996 | 511,581 | 27,546                 | ---                       | 14.6             | 13.6  | 20.7  | ---                    | ---                       | 66.0             | 62.5  | 87.9  | ---                    | ---                       |
| 1974(3).....      | 3,159,958        | 2,575,792 | 507,162 | 26,631                 | ---                       | 14.8             | 13.9  | 20.8  | ---                    | ---                       | 67.8             | 64.2  | 89.7  | ---                    | ---                       |
| 1973(3).....      | 3,136,965        | 2,551,030 | 512,597 | 26,464                 | ---                       | 14.8             | 13.8  | 21.4  | ---                    | ---                       | 68.8             | 64.9  | 93.6  | ---                    | ---                       |
| 1972(3).....      | 3,258,411        | 2,655,558 | 531,329 | 27,368                 | ---                       | 15.6             | 14.5  | 22.5  | ---                    | ---                       | 73.1             | 68.9  | 99.9  | ---                    | ---                       |
| 1971(4).....      | 3,555,970        | 2,919,746 | 564,960 | 27,148                 | ---                       | 17.2             | 16.1  | 24.4  | ---                    | ---                       | 81.6             | 77.3  | 109.7 | ---                    | ---                       |
| 1970(4).....      | 3,731,386        | 3,091,264 | 572,362 | 25,864                 | ---                       | 18.4             | 17.4  | 25.3  | ---                    | ---                       | 87.9             | 84.1  | 115.4 | ---                    | ---                       |
| 1969(4).....      | 3,600,206        | 2,993,614 | 543,132 | 24,008                 | ---                       | 17.9             | 16.9  | 24.4  | ---                    | ---                       | 86.1             | 82.2  | 112.1 | ---                    | ---                       |
| 1968(4).....      | 3,501,564        | 2,912,224 | 531,152 | 24,156                 | ---                       | 17.6             | 16.6  | 24.2  | ---                    | ---                       | 85.2             | 81.3  | 112.7 | ---                    | ---                       |
| 1967(5).....      | 3,520,959        | 2,922,502 | 543,976 | 22,665                 | ---                       | 17.8             | 16.8  | 25.1  | ---                    | ---                       | 87.2             | 82.8  | 118.5 | ---                    | ---                       |
| 1966(4).....      | 3,606,274        | 2,993,230 | 558,244 | 23,014                 | ---                       | 18.4             | 17.4  | 26.2  | ---                    | ---                       | 90.8             | 86.2  | 124.7 | ---                    | ---                       |
| 1965(4).....      | 3,760,358        | 3,123,860 | 581,126 | 24,066                 | ---                       | 19.4             | 18.3  | 27.7  | ---                    | ---                       | 96.3             | 91.3  | 133.2 | ---                    | ---                       |
| 1964(4).....      | 4,027,490        | 3,369,160 | 607,556 | 24,382                 | ---                       | 21.1             | 20.0  | 29.5  | ---                    | ---                       | 104.7            | 99.8  | 142.6 | ---                    | ---                       |
| 1963(4,6).....    | 4,098,020        | 3,326,344 | 580,658 | 22,358                 | ---                       | 21.7             | 20.7  | ---   | ---                    | ---                       | 108.3            | 103.6 | ---   | ---                    | ---                       |
| 1962(4,6).....    | 4,167,362        | 3,394,068 | 584,610 | 21,968                 | ---                       | 22.4             | 21.4  | ---   | ---                    | ---                       | 112.0            | 107.5 | ---   | ---                    | ---                       |

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| Year                                     | Number           |           |         |                        |                           | Birth rate       |       |       |                        |                           | Fertility rate   |       |       |                        |                           |
|--|------------------|-----------|---------|------------------------|---------------------------|------------------|-------|-------|------------------------|---------------------------|------------------|-------|-------|------------------------|---------------------------|
|  | All races<br>(1) | White     | Black   | American Indian<br>(2) | Asian or Pacific Islander | All races<br>(1) | White | Black | American Indian<br>(2) | Asian or Pacific Islander | All races<br>(1) | White | Black | American Indian<br>(2) | Asian or Pacific Islander |
| 1961 (4)                                 | 4,268,326        | 3,600,864 | 611,072 | 21,464                 | ---                       | 23.3             | 22.2  | ---   | ---                    | ---                       | 117.1            | 112.3 | ---   | ---                    | ---                       |
| 1960 (4)                                 | 4,257,850        | 3,600,744 | 602,264 | 21,114                 | ---                       | 23.7             | 22.7  | 31.9  | ---                    | ---                       | 118.0            | 113.2 | 153.5 | ---                    | ---                       |
| 1959 (4)                                 | 4,244,796        | 3,597,430 | 605,962 | ---                    | ---                       | 24.0             | 22.9  | ---   | ---                    | ---                       | 118.8            | 113.9 | ---   | ---                    | ---                       |
| Births Adjusted for Underregistration(7) |                  |           |         |                        |                           |                  |       |       |                        |                           |                  |       |       |                        |                           |
| 1959 (4)                                 | 4,286,000        | 3,619,000 | ---     | ---                    | ---                       | 24.2             | 23.1  | ---   | ---                    | ---                       | 119.9            | 114.5 | ---   | ---                    | ---                       |
| 1958 (4)                                 | 4,246,000        | 3,595,000 | ---     | ---                    | ---                       | 24.5             | 23.3  | ---   | ---                    | ---                       | 120.0            | 114.8 | ---   | ---                    | ---                       |
| 1957 (4)                                 | 4,300,000        | 3,646,000 | ---     | ---                    | ---                       | 25.3             | 24.0  | ---   | ---                    | ---                       | 122.7            | 117.6 | ---   | ---                    | ---                       |
| 1956 (4)                                 | 4,210,000        | 3,570,000 | ---     | ---                    | ---                       | 25.2             | 24.0  | ---   | ---                    | ---                       | 121.0            | 115.9 | ---   | ---                    | ---                       |
| 1955                                     | 4,097,000        | 3,485,000 | ---     | ---                    | ---                       | 25.0             | 23.8  | ---   | ---                    | ---                       | 118.3            | 113.7 | ---   | ---                    | ---                       |
| 1954 (4)                                 | 4,071,000        | 3,472,000 | ---     | ---                    | ---                       | 25.3             | 24.2  | ---   | ---                    | ---                       | 117.9            | 113.5 | ---   | ---                    | ---                       |
| 1953 (4)                                 | 3,959,000        | 3,387,000 | ---     | ---                    | ---                       | 25.1             | 24.0  | ---   | ---                    | ---                       | 115.0            | 110.9 | ---   | ---                    | ---                       |
| 1952 (4)                                 | 3,909,000        | 3,356,000 | ---     | ---                    | ---                       | 25.1             | 24.1  | ---   | ---                    | ---                       | 113.8            | 110.0 | ---   | ---                    | ---                       |
| 1951 (4)                                 | 3,820,000        | 3,275,000 | ---     | ---                    | ---                       | 24.9             | 23.9  | ---   | ---                    | ---                       | 111.4            | 107.7 | ---   | ---                    | ---                       |
| 1950                                     | 3,632,000        | 3,108,000 | ---     | ---                    | ---                       | 24.1             | 23.0  | ---   | ---                    | ---                       | 106.2            | 102.3 | ---   | ---                    | ---                       |
| 1949                                     | 3,649,000        | 3,136,000 | ---     | ---                    | ---                       | 24.5             | 23.6  | ---   | ---                    | ---                       | 107.1            | 103.6 | ---   | ---                    | ---                       |
| 1948                                     | 3,637,000        | 3,141,000 | ---     | ---                    | ---                       | 24.9             | 24.0  | ---   | ---                    | ---                       | 107.3            | 104.3 | ---   | ---                    | ---                       |
| 1947                                     | 3,817,000        | 3,347,000 | ---     | ---                    | ---                       | 26.6             | 26.1  | ---   | ---                    | ---                       | 113.3            | 111.8 | ---   | ---                    | ---                       |
| 1946                                     | 3,411,000        | 2,990,000 | ---     | ---                    | ---                       | 24.1             | 23.6  | ---   | ---                    | ---                       | 101.9            | 100.4 | ---   | ---                    | ---                       |
| 1945                                     | 2,858,000        | 2,471,000 | ---     | ---                    | ---                       | 20.4             | 19.7  | ---   | ---                    | ---                       | 85.9             | 83.4  | ---   | ---                    | ---                       |
| 1944                                     | 2,939,000        | 2,545,000 | ---     | ---                    | ---                       | 21.2             | 20.5  | ---   | ---                    | ---                       | 88.8             | 86.3  | ---   | ---                    | ---                       |
| 1943                                     | 3,104,000        | 2,704,000 | ---     | ---                    | ---                       | 22.7             | 22.1  | ---   | ---                    | ---                       | 94.3             | 92.3  | ---   | ---                    | ---                       |
| 1942                                     | 2,989,000        | 2,605,000 | ---     | ---                    | ---                       | 22.2             | 21.5  | ---   | ---                    | ---                       | 91.5             | 89.5  | ---   | ---                    | ---                       |
| 1941                                     | 2,703,000        | 2,330,000 | ---     | ---                    | ---                       | 20.3             | 19.5  | ---   | ---                    | ---                       | 83.4             | 80.7  | ---   | ---                    | ---                       |
| 1940                                     | 2,559,000        | 2,199,000 | ---     | ---                    | ---                       | 19.4             | 18.6  | ---   | ---                    | ---                       | 79.9             | 77.1  | ---   | ---                    | ---                       |
| 1939                                     | 2,466,000        | 2,117,000 | ---     | ---                    | ---                       | 18.8             | 18.0  | ---   | ---                    | ---                       | 77.6             | 74.8  | ---   | ---                    | ---                       |
| 1938                                     | 2,496,000        | 2,148,000 | ---     | ---                    | ---                       | 19.2             | 18.4  | ---   | ---                    | ---                       | 79.1             | 76.5  | ---   | ---                    | ---                       |
| 1937                                     | 2,413,000        | 2,071,000 | ---     | ---                    | ---                       | 18.7             | 17.9  | ---   | ---                    | ---                       | 77.1             | 74.4  | ---   | ---                    | ---                       |
| 1936                                     | 2,355,000        | 2,027,000 | ---     | ---                    | ---                       | 18.4             | 17.6  | ---   | ---                    | ---                       | 75.8             | 73.3  | ---   | ---                    | ---                       |
| 1935                                     | 2,377,000        | 2,042,000 | ---     | ---                    | ---                       | 18.7             | 17.9  | ---   | ---                    | ---                       | 77.2             | 74.5  | ---   | ---                    | ---                       |
| 1934                                     | 2,396,000        | 2,058,000 | ---     | ---                    | ---                       | 19.0             | 18.1  | ---   | ---                    | ---                       | 78.5             | 75.8  | ---   | ---                    | ---                       |
| 1933                                     | 2,307,000        | 1,982,000 | ---     | ---                    | ---                       | 18.4             | 17.6  | ---   | ---                    | ---                       | 76.3             | 73.7  | ---   | ---                    | ---                       |
| 1932                                     | 2,440,000        | 2,099,000 | ---     | ---                    | ---                       | 19.5             | 18.7  | ---   | ---                    | ---                       | 81.7             | 79.0  | ---   | ---                    | ---                       |
| 1931                                     | 2,506,000        | 2,170,000 | ---     | ---                    | ---                       | 20.2             | 19.5  | ---   | ---                    | ---                       | 84.6             | 82.4  | ---   | ---                    | ---                       |
| 1930                                     | 2,618,000        | 2,274,000 | ---     | ---                    | ---                       | 21.3             | 20.6  | ---   | ---                    | ---                       | 89.2             | 87.1  | ---   | ---                    | ---                       |
| 1929                                     | 2,582,000        | 2,244,000 | ---     | ---                    | ---                       | 21.2             | 20.5  | ---   | ---                    | ---                       | 89.3             | 87.3  | ---   | ---                    | ---                       |
| 1928                                     | 2,674,000        | 2,325,000 | ---     | ---                    | ---                       | 22.2             | 21.5  | ---   | ---                    | ---                       | 93.8             | 91.7  | ---   | ---                    | ---                       |
| 1927                                     | 2,802,000        | 2,425,000 | ---     | ---                    | ---                       | 23.5             | 22.7  | ---   | ---                    | ---                       | 99.8             | 97.1  | ---   | ---                    | ---                       |
| 1926                                     | 2,839,000        | 2,441,000 | ---     | ---                    | ---                       | 24.2             | 23.1  | ---   | ---                    | ---                       | 102.6            | 99.2  | ---   | ---                    | ---                       |
| 1925                                     | 2,909,000        | 2,506,000 | ---     | ---                    | ---                       | 25.1             | 24.1  | ---   | ---                    | ---                       | 106.6            | 103.3 | ---   | ---                    | ---                       |

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| Year      | Number           |           |       |                        |                           | Birth rate       |       |       |                        |                           | Fertility rate   |       |       |                        |                           |
|-----------|------------------|-----------|-------|------------------------|---------------------------|------------------|-------|-------|------------------------|---------------------------|------------------|-------|-------|------------------------|---------------------------|
|           | All races<br>(1) | White     | Black | American Indian<br>(2) | Asian or Pacific Islander | All races<br>(1) | White | Black | American Indian<br>(2) | Asian or Pacific Islander | All races<br>(1) | White | Black | American Indian<br>(2) | Asian or Pacific Islander |
| 1924..... | 2,979,000        | 2,577,000 | ---   | ---                    | ---                       | 26.1             | 25.1  | ---   | ---                    | ---                       | 110.9            | 107.8 | ---   | ---                    | ---                       |
| 1923..... | 2,910,000        | 2,531,000 | ---   | ---                    | ---                       | 26.0             | 25.2  | ---   | ---                    | ---                       | 110.5            | 108.0 | ---   | ---                    | ---                       |
| 1922..... | 2,882,000        | 2,507,000 | ---   | ---                    | ---                       | 26.2             | 25.4  | ---   | ---                    | ---                       | 111.2            | 108.8 | ---   | ---                    | ---                       |
| 1921..... | 3,055,000        | 2,657,000 | ---   | ---                    | ---                       | 28.1             | 27.3  | ---   | ---                    | ---                       | 119.8            | 117.2 | ---   | ---                    | ---                       |
| 1920..... | 2,950,000        | 2,566,000 | ---   | ---                    | ---                       | 27.7             | 26.9  | ---   | ---                    | ---                       | 117.9            | 115.4 | ---   | ---                    | ---                       |
| 1919..... | 2,740,000        | 2,387,000 | ---   | ---                    | ---                       | 26.1             | 25.3  | ---   | ---                    | ---                       | 111.2            | ---   | ---   | ---                    | ---                       |
| 1918..... | 2,948,000        | 2,588,000 | ---   | ---                    | ---                       | 28.2             | 27.6  | ---   | ---                    | ---                       | 119.8            | ---   | ---   | ---                    | ---                       |
| 1917..... | 2,944,000        | 2,587,000 | ---   | ---                    | ---                       | 28.5             | 27.9  | ---   | ---                    | ---                       | 121.0            | ---   | ---   | ---                    | ---                       |
| 1916..... | 2,964,000        | 2,599,000 | ---   | ---                    | ---                       | 29.1             | 28.5  | ---   | ---                    | ---                       | 123.4            | 121.8 | ---   | ---                    | ---                       |
| 1915..... | 2,965,000        | 2,594,000 | ---   | ---                    | ---                       | 29.5             | 28.9  | ---   | ---                    | ---                       | 125.0            | 123.2 | ---   | ---                    | ---                       |
| 1914..... | 2,966,000        | 2,588,000 | ---   | ---                    | ---                       | 29.9             | 29.3  | ---   | ---                    | ---                       | 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            | 123.3 | ---   | ---                    | ---                       |
| 1911..... | 2,809,000        | 2,435,000 | ---   | ---                    | ---                       | 29.9             | 29.1  | ---   | ---                    | ---                       | 126.3            | 123.6 | ---   | ---                    | ---                       |
| 1910..... | 2,777,000        | 2,401,000 | ---   | ---                    | ---                       | 30.1             | 29.2  | ---   | ---                    | ---                       | 126.8            | 123.8 | ---   | ---                    | ---                       |
| 1909..... | 2,718,000        | 2,344,000 | ---   | ---                    | ---                       | 30.0             | 29.2  | ---   | ---                    | ---                       | 126.8            | 123.6 | ---   | ---                    | ---                       |

--- Data not available.

(1) For 1960-91 includes births to races not shown separately.

(2) Includes births to Aleuts and Eskimos.

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

(4) Based on a 50-percent sample of births.

(5) Based on a 20- to 50-percent sample of births.

(6) Figures exclude data for residents of New Jersey; see Technical Appendix.

(7) For method of adjustment see Technical Appendix.

NOTE: Race and Hispanic origin are reported separately on the birth certificate. In this table all women (including Hispanic women) are classified only according to their race.