

**Table 85. Births to Teens and Unmarried Women, and Births with Low Birth Weight, by Race and Hispanic Origin: 1990 to 2006**

[Represents registered births. Excludes births to nonresidents of the United States. Data are based on race and Hispanic origin of mother. See Appendix III]

Race and Hispanic origin	1990	1995	2000	2003	2004	2005	2006, prel.
<b>Percent of births to teenage mothers . . . . .</b>	<b>12.8</b>	<b>13.1</b>	<b>11.8</b>	<b>10.3</b>	<b>10.3</b>	<b>10.0</b>	<b>10.4</b>
White . . . . .	10.9	11.5	10.6	9.4	9.3	9.2	(NA)
Black . . . . .	23.1	23.1	19.7	17.3	17.1	16.8	(NA)
American Indian, Eskimo, Aleut . . . . .	19.5	21.4	19.7	18.2	17.9	17.4	17.3
Asian or Pacific Islander . . . . .	5.7	5.6	4.5	3.5	3.4	3.3	3.2
Hispanic origin <sup>1</sup> . . . . .	16.8	17.9	16.2	14.3	14.3	13.9	14.0
Mexican . . . . .	17.7	18.8	17.0	15.3	15.3	(NA)	(NA)
Puerto Rican . . . . .	21.7	23.5	20.0	17.9	17.6	(NA)	(NA)
Cuban . . . . .	7.7	7.7	7.5	7.9	7.8	(NA)	(NA)
Central and South American . . . . .	9.0	10.6	9.9	8.3	8.4	(NA)	(NA)
<b>Percent of births to unmarried women . . . . .</b>	<b>26.6</b>	<b>32.2</b>	<b>33.2</b>	<b>34.6</b>	<b>35.8</b>	<b>36.9</b>	<b>38.5</b>
White . . . . .	16.9	25.3	27.1	29.4	30.5	31.7	(NA)
Black . . . . .	66.7	69.9	68.5	68.2	68.8	69.3	(NA)
American Indian, Eskimo, Aleut . . . . .	53.6	57.2	58.4	61.3	62.3	63.5	64.6
Asian or Pacific Islander . . . . .	13.2	16.3	14.8	15.0	15.5	16.2	16.3
Hispanic origin <sup>1</sup> . . . . .	36.7	40.8	42.7	45.0	46.4	48.0	49.9
Mexican . . . . .	33.3	38.1	40.7	43.7	45.2	(NA)	(NA)
Puerto Rican . . . . .	55.9	60.0	59.6	59.8	61.0	(NA)	(NA)
Cuban . . . . .	18.2	23.8	27.3	31.4	33.2	(NA)	(NA)
Central and South American . . . . .	41.2	44.1	44.7	46.0	47.6	(NA)	(NA)
<b>Percent of births with low birth weight <sup>2</sup> . . . . .</b>	<b>7.0</b>	<b>7.3</b>	<b>7.6</b>	<b>7.9</b>	<b>8.1</b>	<b>8.2</b>	<b>8.3</b>
White . . . . .	5.7	6.2	6.5	6.9	7.1	7.2	(NA)
Black . . . . .	13.3	13.1	13.0	13.4	13.4	13.6	(NA)
American Indian, Eskimo, Aleut . . . . .	6.1	6.6	6.8	7.4	7.5	7.4	7.5
Asian or Pacific Islander . . . . .	(NA)	6.9	7.3	7.8	7.9	8.0	8.1
Hispanic origin <sup>1</sup> . . . . .	6.1	6.3	6.4	6.7	6.8	6.9	7.0
Mexican . . . . .	5.5	5.8	6.0	6.3	6.4	6.5	(NA)
Puerto Rican . . . . .	9.0	9.4	9.3	10.0	9.8	9.9	(NA)
Cuban . . . . .	5.7	6.5	6.5	7.0	7.7	7.6	(NA)
Central and South American . . . . .	5.8	6.2	6.3	6.7	6.7	6.8	(NA)

NA Not available. <sup>1</sup> Hispanic persons may be any race. Includes other types not shown separately. <sup>2</sup> Births less than 2,500 grams (5 lb.-8 oz.).

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