

Table 1-2. First Birth Rates by Age of Mother, According to Race and Hispanic Origin: United States, Selected Years, 1940-98

(First births rates are first live births per 1,000 women in the specified group. Beginning in 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											
1998	26.4	1.0	39.9	27.0	59.2	50.8	42.5	24.6	8.3	1.5	0.1
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

1998		26.1		0.6		36.4		23.4		55.8		51.0		44.8		25.7		8.4		1.6		0.1
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		58.9		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		41.2		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

1998		23.9		0.3		29.0		17.0		47.0		45.0		44.8		26.6		8.6		1.6		0.1
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

1998		27.0		2.8		62.1		48.4		82.1		52.5		25.7		14.3		5.5		1.1		0.1
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

1998		27.8		3.0		64.1		50.0		84.5		53.8		26.4		14.7		5.7		1.1		0.1
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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1998		37.7		2.1		71.1		54.2		96.2		76.2		41.9		18.6		6.6		1.4		0.1
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 in 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.