

Table 1-23. Birth Rates by Age of Father and Race of Child: United States, 1940, 1950, and 1960-80  
 (Rates are live births per 1,000 men in specified group. Beginning 1970 excludes births to nonresidents of the United States;  
 see Technical Appendix)

NOTE: Data for 1980-97 are available in Births: Final Data for 1997, Table 20.

Year and race	15-54 years(1)	Age of father								
		15-19 years(2)	20-24 years	25-29 years	30-34 years	35-39 years	40-44 years	45-49 years	50-54 years	55 years and over
ALL RACES										
Registered Births										
1980(3)	57.0	18.8	92.0	123.0	91.0	42.8	17.1	6.1	2.2	0.4
1979(3)	55.8	18.5	90.6	122.4	89.3	42.2	16.7	6.0	2.3	0.3
1978(3)	54.1	18.1	89.7	120.0	86.7	40.8	16.3	5.8	2.2	0.3
1977(3)	54.9	19.1	92.8	124.2	85.9	41.1	16.5	6.0	2.2	0.3
1976(3)	53.2	19.4	92.1	120.3	82.6	39.8	16.2	6.0	2.1	0.3
1975(3)	53.8	20.8	96.2	123.9	81.5	39.9	16.5	6.1	2.2	0.4
1974(3)	55.0	21.7	101.2	128.2	83.9	40.8	16.8	6.2	2.2	0.4
1973(3)	55.7	22.4	104.3	129.7	86.0	42.5	18.0	6.7	2.3	0.4
1972(3)	59.1	23.4	113.2	137.6	91.8	46.7	19.9	7.4	2.5	0.4
1971(4)	66.1	23.9	129.8	160.2	103.8	53.2	22.7	8.2	2.9	0.5
1970(4)	71.5	25.6	146.6	175.0	112.3	57.6	24.9	9.1	3.1	0.6
1969(4)	70.2	24.0	143.8	174.2	111.4	58.5	25.5	9.5	3.4	0.6
1967-68	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
1966(4)	73.5	22.0	160.8	181.7	119.8	68.0	30.7	12.0	4.3	0.8
1965(4)	77.5	20.0	162.7	194.1	130.5	73.9	34.0	13.3	4.7	0.8
1964(4)	84.2	19.6	177.1	213.7	142.7	79.2	37.0	14.1	5.2	0.9
1963(4)	87.1	20.2	184.4	222.3	146.2	80.4	38.0	14.5	5.5	0.9
1962(4)	90.0	21.0	195.1	227.7	149.6	82.0	40.0	15.1	5.6	0.9
1961(4)	93.9	22.3	199.6	233.2	154.9	85.9	42.1	16.3	6.1	1.0
1960(4)	94.8	21.5	202.2	232.6	154.2	87.4	42.6	16.7	6.2	1.0
Births Adjusted for Underregistration(5)										
1950	87.0	14.2	142.0	186.7	141.9	87.2	45.1	19.6	7.5	1.4
1940	64.7	7.5	91.2	138.2	113.2	74.4	40.9	19.7	8.2	1.9
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Registered Births										
1980(3)	52.9	15.2	84.0	118.4	86.9	39.2	14.7	5.0	1.8	0.3
1979(3)	51.6	14.9	82.2	117.4	85.3	38.7	14.6	5.0	1.8	0.2
1978(3)	50.0	14.7	81.0	115.0	82.9	37.4	14.2	4.9	1.7	0.2
1977(3)	50.9	15.5	84.0	119.4	82.7	37.8	14.5	5.1	1.7	0.2

1976(3)	49.3	15.8	83.2	115.6	79.7	36.7	14.4	5.1	1.7	0.2
1975(3)	49.8	17.1	86.6	119.5	78.6	36.8	14.8	5.2	1.7	0.3
1974(3)	51.1	17.7	91.0	124.3	81.1	37.9	15.2	5.4	1.8	0.3
1973(3)	51.5	18.1	93.3	125.4	83.2	39.5	16.4	5.7	1.8	0.3
1972(3)	54.7	18.8	101.8	133.2	88.7	43.4	18.1	6.3	2.0	0.3
1971(4)	61.5	19.3	118.3	155.6	100.1	49.6	20.6	7.0	2.3	0.3
1970(4)	67.1	21.0	135.3	170.9	109.3	54.5	22.9	7.9	2.6	0.4
1969(4)	65.9	19.4	132.6	170.5	108.3	55.4	23.4	8.2	2.7	0.4
1967-68	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
1966(4)	68.6	18.5	149.1	175.3	115.4	64.4	27.8	10.3	3.4	0.5
1965(4)	72.4	16.7	150.7	186.6	126.1	69.9	30.9	11.4	3.7	0.6
1964(4)	79.1	16.4	165.7	206.5	138.6	75.1	33.6	12.1	4.1	0.6
1963(4,6)	82.2	17.6	174.0	214.7	141.4	75.9	34.8	12.7	4.4	0.7
1962(4,6)	85.2	18.6	185.4	220.5	144.8	77.2	36.7	13.3	4.5	0.7
1961(4)	88.8	19.4	189.1	226.2	150.5	81.1	38.6	14.1	4.8	0.7
1960(4)	89.8	18.7	191.1	226.7	149.6	82.8	39.1	14.4	5.0	0.7

Births Adjusted for  
Underregistration(5)

1950	82.9	11.1	131.2	181.8	139.3	84.3	42.3	17.5	6.4	1.1
1940	61.7	5.5	81.9	135.0	112.4	72.8	39.2	18.2	7.3	1.5

All OTHER  
Registered Births

1980(3)	83.6	37.5	139.0	152.3	118.9	68.6	33.7	14.3	6.2	1.3
1979(3)	83.5	37.5	141.1	155.1	118.2	68.2	32.3	14.0	6.3	1.2
1978(3)	81.9	36.7	143.1	153.2	114.6	66.5	31.8	13.1	5.9	1.2
1977(3)	82.3	38.9	147.3	156.7	110.4	65.3	31.1	13.2	6.2	1.2
1976(3)	80.1	39.2	148.8	153.9	104.4	62.4	29.3	13.2	5.9	1.3
1975(3)	81.8	42.4	158.5	156.4	102.5	63.5	29.4	13.1	6.0	1.4
1974(3)	83.4	45.2	168.4	157.7	104.2	62.9	29.5	13.2	6.4	1.4
1973(3)	86.4	48.2	178.5	163.1	106.9	65.5	30.5	14.8	6.3	1.5
1972(3)	91.9	50.9	191.7	173.1	115.2	71.1	34.4	16.4	7.2	1.8
1971(4)	100.8	51.9	211.5	195.4	130.8	80.4	39.9	18.9	8.1	2.1
1970(4)	104.5	55.2	224.9	202.6	135.1	82.4	42.5	20.4	9.0	2.7
1969(4)	103.5	52.9	227.1	203.3	134.6	82.8	44.1	21.2	9.5	2.7
1967-68	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
1966(4)	112.1	46.8	248.6	230.7	152.6	96.5	55.8	28.3	12.1	3.1
1965(4)	118.9	43.8	252.7	251.2	163.3	106.0	61.6	31.2	13.9	3.5
1964(4)	125.7	42.6	262.5	268.7	174.5	113.6	68.2	33.0	15.5	3.6
1963(4,6)	128.5	41.8	264.9	278.7	179.7	117.4	68.8	33.5	17.0	3.8
1962(4,6)	131.7	42.0	271.1	282.5	184.4	122.1	72.2	34.4	17.7	3.9
1961(4)	135.9	43.4	277.4	287.0	190.6	126.4	74.8	36.1	18.4	4.0
1960(4)	136.0	41.8	284.6	278.2	191.9	126.8	74.2	37.1	18.4	4.1

Births Adjusted for  
Underregistration(5)

1950.....	122.6	36.9	231.5	229.3	166.1	113.1	71.6	38.7	18.4	5.1
1940.....	92.7	24.4	173.6	166.6	120.4	88.3	56.9	34.7	18.0	6.4

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Registered Births

1980(3).....	83.8	40.4	146.6	154.2	110.8	62.8	31.5	13.8	6.0	1.2
1979(3).....	83.7	40.2	148.7	156.7	109.8	62.3	30.7	13.7	6.2	1.1
1978(3).....	81.9	39.0	150.7	154.1	106.3	61.0	30.1	12.7	5.7	1.1
1977(3).....	82.9	41.4	155.2	158.6	104.5	60.5	30.1	12.7	6.1	1.1
1976(3).....	80.4	41.7	156.6	154.3	97.7	57.2	28.0	12.7	5.7	1.1
1975(3).....	82.1	45.0	167.3	156.8	95.5	57.7	28.5	12.6	5.9	1.1
1974(3).....	83.4	47.9	176.8	156.8	96.5	57.5	28.5	12.8	6.2	1.1
1973(3).....	86.7	51.1	187.3	162.6	100.6	60.6	29.8	14.4	6.2	1.3
1972(3).....	92.5	54.0	201.5	172.9	109.2	67.4	33.5	16.1	6.9	1.5
1971(4).....	101.7	54.8	222.9	197.2	125.5	76.7	39.0	18.5	7.8	1.8
1970(4).....	107.4	58.7	243.7	209.6	132.6	80.9	41.9	20.6	8.8	2.1
1969(4).....	104.3	55.2	239.4	205.5	129.4	80.0	43.1	21.1	9.1	2.2

--- Data not available.

1/ Rates computed by relating total births, regardless of age of father, to men aged 15-54 years.

2/ Rates computed by relating births to fathers under 20 years of age to men aged 15-19 years.

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/ For method of adjustment, see Technical Appendix.

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