

Table 1-8. Fertility Rates: United States, Each Division and State, 1980-97  
(Rates are live births per 1,000 women 15-44 years of age)

| Division and State    | 1997 | 1996 | 1995 | 1994 | 1993 | 1992 | 1991 | 1990 | 1989<br>(1) | 1988<br>(1) | 1987<br>(1) | 1986<br>(1) | 1985<br>(1) | 1984<br>(1,2) | 1983<br>(1,2) | 1982<br>(1,2) | 1981<br>(1,2) | 1980<br>(2) |
|-----------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|-------------|
| United States.....    | 65.0 | 65.3 | 65.6 | 66.7 | 67.6 | 68.9 | 69.6 | 70.9 | 69.2        | 67.3        | 65.8        | 65.4        | 66.3        | 65.5          | 65.7          | 67.3          | 67.3          | 68.4        |
| Geographic divisions: |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |             |             |             |             |             |               |               |               |               |             |
| New England.....      | 56.7 | 56.8 | 57.2 | 58.8 | 59.4 | 60.8 | 60.9 | 62.8 | 62.1        | 60.1        | 58.7        | 57.2        | 57.3        | 55.9          | 55.5          | 56.1          | 55.6          | 56.0        |
| Middle Atlantic.....  | 61.5 | 62.3 | 63.3 | 64.4 | 64.9 | 65.9 | 66.3 | 67.1 | 65.8        | 63.6        | 61.7        | 60.2        | 59.7        | 58.2          | 58.3          | 59.0          | 58.5          | 58.8        |
| East North Central... | 62.6 | 62.9 | 63.2 | 64.3 | 65.1 | 66.1 | 67.3 | 68.6 | 66.9        | 64.6        | 63.6        | 63.3        | 64.7        | 64.2          | 64.1          | 66.1          | 66.8          | 68.7        |
| West North Central... | 62.4 | 62.2 | 62.1 | 63.1 | 64.1 | 65.3 | 66.3 | 67.6 | 67.1        | 66.2        | 65.5        | 66.5        | 68.8        | 68.8          | 69.6          | 71.7          | 72.4          | 73.8        |
| South Atlantic.....   | 62.4 | 61.9 | 62.0 | 62.9 | 63.9 | 65.5 | 65.9 | 68.0 | 66.8        | 64.7        | 62.9        | 61.9        | 62.3        | 61.2          | 61.0          | 62.1          | 61.9          | 63.5        |
| East South Central... | 62.0 | 61.7 | 61.6 | 62.6 | 63.2 | 64.1 | 65.1 | 66.3 | 65.2        | 62.9        | 61.6        | 61.8        | 63.2        | 63.3          | 64.2          | 66.6          | 67.6          | 70.9        |
| West South Central... | 72.4 | 71.8 | 71.2 | 71.9 | 72.9 | 73.2 | 73.6 | 74.7 | 73.5        | 73.1        | 72.3        | 73.9        | 76.0        | 75.6          | 76.6          | 79.7          | 78.7          | 80.0        |
| Mountain.....         | 73.0 | 72.8 | 72.6 | 73.1 | 73.7 | 74.5 | 74.6 | 76.4 | 75.3        | 75.1        | 74.6        | 75.8        | 77.7        | 77.9          | 79.6          | 82.4          | 82.5          | 83.4        |
| Pacific.....          | 70.2 | 72.1 | 73.5 | 74.9 | 76.9 | 79.3 | 80.5 | 81.8 | 77.7        | 74.5        | 72.1        | 71.1        | 71.7        | 70.3          | 70.3          | 71.0          | 71.4          | 71.0        |
| New England:          |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |             |             |             |             |             |               |               |               |               |             |
| Maine.....            | 49.5 | 49.5 | 49.7 | 51.4 | 53.3 | 56.3 | 58.4 | 60.5 | 61.1        | 60.7        | 60.4        | 60.8        | 62.1        | 62.6          | 63.1          | 63.9          | 64.1          | 64.8        |
| New Hampshire.....    | 52.4 | 53.3 | 54.2 | 56.2 | 57.6 | 59.5 | 60.5 | 64.1 | 65.0        | 64.1        | 64.0        | 61.8        | 62.1        | 59.1          | 58.7          | 61.2          | 59.8          | 62.8        |
| Vermont.....          | 49.6 | 50.2 | 50.2 | 54.6 | 55.1 | 56.6 | 58.1 | 60.5 | 62.0        | 60.1        | 60.7        | 61.7        | 61.3        | 62.2          | 62.1          | 63.2          | 63.6          | 64.1        |
| Massachusetts.....    | 57.8 | 57.1 | 57.9 | 59.3 | 59.5 | 60.8 | 60.4 | 62.4 | 61.2        | 59.0        | 56.6        | 55.4        | 55.6        | 54.1          | 53.4          | 54.0          | 53.3          | 53.5        |
| Rhode Island.....     | 56.6 | 56.9 | 57.3 | 59.6 | 60.9 | 62.5 | 62.2 | 63.6 | 61.8        | 59.5        | 58.8        | 57.2        | 56.2        | 55.3          | 56.0          | 56.1          | 56.6          | 56.6        |
| Connecticut.....      | 60.3 | 61.7 | 61.0 | 62.1 | 62.7 | 63.2 | 63.1 | 64.2 | 63.0        | 61.0        | 59.6        | 57.3        | 56.8        | 55.2          | 54.4          | 54.3          | 54.2          | 53.9        |
| Middle Atlantic:      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |             |             |             |             |             |               |               |               |               |             |
| New York.....         | 63.9 | 64.7 | 66.1 | 66.8 | 67.2 | 68.1 | 68.4 | 69.1 | 67.5        | 64.8        | 62.8        | 61.0        | 60.3        | 58.8          | 58.8          | 59.1          | 58.5          | 58.5        |
| New Jersey.....       | 64.1 | 64.9 | 64.8 | 65.9 | 65.8 | 66.8 | 67.0 | 67.0 | 66.5        | 64.0        | 61.5        | 59.4        | 58.4        | 56.7          | 56.2          | 56.6          | 56.2          | 57.4        |
| Pennsylvania.....     | 55.9 | 57.0 | 57.8 | 59.6 | 60.6 | 61.6 | 62.6 | 63.9 | 62.7        | 61.3        | 60.0        | 59.5        | 59.7        | 58.3          | 58.9          | 60.5          | 60.2          | 60.2        |
| East North Central:   |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |             |             |             |             |             |               |               |               |               |             |
| Ohio.....             | 60.7 | 60.3 | 61.0 | 61.8 | 62.7 | 63.9 | 65.1 | 65.9 | 64.7        | 63.3        | 62.1        | 62.4        | 63.6        | 63.0          | 63.2          | 65.5          | 66.4          | 67.5        |
| Indiana.....          | 62.9 | 62.8 | 62.2 | 62.4 | 63.6 | 64.0 | 65.3 | 66.5 | 64.4        | 63.0        | 60.6        | 61.4        | 62.8        | 62.4          | 63.2          | 65.5          | 66.0          | 69.1        |
| Illinois.....         | 68.4 | 69.0 | 69.3 | 70.5 | 71.1 | 71.4 | 72.0 | 73.0 | 71.0        | 68.8        | 67.0        | 65.5        | 67.1        | 66.7          | 66.6          | 68.4          | 69.0          | 71.3        |
| Michigan.....         | 60.0 | 61.1 | 61.3 | 63.1 | 63.6 | 65.2 | 67.6 | 69.4 | 67.1        | 62.9        | 63.0        | 62.2        | 63.1        | 62.7          | 61.7          | 63.7          | 64.4          | 66.4        |
| Wisconsin.....        | 58.1 | 58.3 | 58.8 | 59.9 | 61.2 | 62.4 | 63.3 | 64.7 | 64.2        | 63.2        | 63.5        | 64.9        | 66.3        | 66.1          | 65.8          | 67.5          | 67.8          | 69.1        |
| West North Central:   |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |             |             |             |             |             |               |               |               |               |             |
| Minnesota.....        | 61.4 | 60.6 | 60.5 | 61.9 | 62.4 | 63.7 | 64.9 | 66.3 | 66.0        | 65.4        | 64.3        | 65.3        | 67.4        | 67.3          | 66.6          | 69.8          | 70.5          | 70.7        |
| Iowa.....             | 60.4 | 60.5 | 59.9 | 60.8 | 61.8 | 63.2 | 63.5 | 64.8 | 64.1        | 62.1        | 61.4        | 62.2        | 65.2        | 66.4          | 67.6          | 69.4          | 70.8          | 73.7        |
| Missouri.....         | 62.2 | 62.2 | 61.5 | 62.6 | 64.3 | 65.5 | 67.2 | 68.0 | 66.9        | 65.5        | 64.3        | 64.9        | 66.9        | 65.4          | 66.7          | 68.3          | 68.6          | 70.9        |
| North Dakota.....     | 61.0 | 60.6 | 61.3 | 62.6 | 63.1 | 63.6 | 63.9 | 66.1 | 67.4        | 69.7        | 70.5        | 72.6        | 77.6        | 77.8          | 82.0          | 84.1          | 84.3          | 82.4        |
| South Dakota.....     | 63.6 | 66.6 | 66.9 | 68.6 | 70.4 | 73.0 | 72.5 | 73.8 | 74.4        | 74.1        | 76.1        | 76.4        | 79.8        | 81.9          | 83.0          | 85.2          | 84.3          | 88.3        |
| Nebraska.....         | 64.6 | 64.2 | 64.5 | 64.9 | 65.1 | 66.0 | 67.5 | 69.1 | 68.8        | 67.5        | 67.3        | 68.4        | 71.2        | 72.6          | 73.1          | 75.3          | 76.1          | 77.4        |
| Kansas.....           | 65.7 | 65.1 | 66.1 | 66.7 | 66.9 | 68.2 | 67.9 | 70.3 | 69.8        | 69.8        | 69.4        | 71.0        | 72.1        | 72.9          | 74.1          | 75.5          | 77.0          | 76.9        |
| South Atlantic:       |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |             |             |             |             |             |               |               |               |               |             |
| Delaware.....         | 60.3 | 59.8 | 61.2 | 62.7 | 64.1 | 65.2 | 68.7 | 68.9 | 67.1        | 65.9        | 63.4        | 63.1        | 63.3        | 61.8          | 62.4          | 62.9          | 63.3          | 65.5        |

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|---------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| Maryland.....             | 58.9 | 60.1 | 60.6 | 61.9 | 62.8 | 65.3 | 66.1 | 67.2 | 65.9 | 64.3 | 62.4 | 60.7 | 60.6 | 59.2  | 58.8  | 59.2  | 57.6  | 57.6  |
| District of Columbia..... | 61.7 | 62.3 | 65.3 | 68.5 | 70.8 | 71.2 | 74.1 | 71.7 | 68.9 | 60.6 | 57.7 | 56.4 | 55.8 | 54.9  | 53.3  | 53.5  | 53.5  | 55.0  |
| Virginia.....             | 58.0 | 58.4 | 58.6 | 60.5 | 60.8 | 62.6 | 63.0 | 64.7 | 63.5 | 61.6 | 60.5 | 59.6 | 60.0 | 58.6  | 58.3  | 59.6  | 59.0  | 60.1  |
| West Virginia.....        | 53.1 | 52.5 | 52.7 | 53.3 | 54.0 | 54.6 | 55.2 | 56.1 | 54.6 | 53.0 | 53.5 | 54.8 | 56.4 | 57.0  | 59.6  | 62.7  | 64.0  | 68.3  |
| North Carolina.....       | 64.3 | 62.9 | 61.7 | 62.1 | 62.6 | 64.7 | 63.7 | 65.5 | 64.4 | 62.0 | 59.9 | 58.6 | 58.9 | 57.8  | 57.5  | 59.6  | 59.0  | 60.6  |
| South Carolina.....       | 60.4 | 59.5 | 59.3 | 60.6 | 62.8 | 65.5 | 67.3 | 69.7 | 68.6 | 66.4 | 63.9 | 63.5 | 64.3 | 63.8  | 64.7  | 66.6  | 67.7  | 69.5  |
| Georgia.....              | 66.1 | 64.5 | 64.5 | 64.9 | 65.7 | 66.9 | 67.2 | 69.7 | 68.7 | 66.7 | 65.3 | 64.0 | 64.4 | 63.2  | 63.4  | 64.7  | 65.9  | 69.6  |
| Florida.....              | 64.9 | 64.5 | 64.9 | 65.8 | 67.0 | 68.0 | 68.4 | 71.5 | 70.6 | 68.7 | 66.6 | 65.6 | 66.1 | 64.6  | 64.0  | 64.0  | 63.5  | 64.1  |
| East South Central:       |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |       |       |       |       |       |
| Kentucky.....             | 59.9 | 59.4 | 59.0 | 60.1 | 60.3 | 61.5 | 62.2 | 62.8 | 61.6 | 58.7 | 58.9 | 59.5 | 60.9 | 61.6  | 63.3  | 66.2  | 67.2  | 70.6  |
| Tennessee.....            | 61.2 | 60.9 | 60.6 | 61.4 | 61.9 | 62.5 | 63.5 | 64.8 | 63.4 | 61.3 | 59.0 | 58.2 | 59.2 | 58.2  | 59.2  | 61.0  | 61.4  | 64.2  |
| Alabama.....              | 62.1 | 62.1 | 61.9 | 62.9 | 63.9 | 64.8 | 65.7 | 67.3 | 66.4 | 64.3 | 62.9 | 63.2 | 64.0 | 64.0  | 64.3  | 65.9  | 67.6  | 70.7  |
| Mississippi.....          | 66.3 | 65.6 | 66.5 | 68.2 | 69.2 | 70.2 | 71.5 | 72.9 | 71.9 | 70.1 | 68.6 | 69.7 | 72.8 | 74.1  | 74.7  | 78.6  | 79.8  | 83.9  |
| West South Central:       |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |       |       |       |       |       |
| Arkansas.....             | 67.3 | 67.1 | 65.0 | 64.9 | 64.6 | 66.2 | 67.6 | 70.1 | 68.9 | 67.0 | 65.7 | 65.5 | 67.5 | 67.1  | 68.1  | 69.4  | 70.5  | 74.2  |
| Louisiana.....            | 65.7 | 65.1 | 65.2 | 67.6 | 69.1 | 69.8 | 71.4 | 72.1 | 72.0 | 72.2 | 70.8 | 73.3 | 76.4 | 76.6  | 77.7  | 80.8  | 80.2  | 82.3  |
| Oklahoma.....             | 67.8 | 65.0 | 64.3 | 64.6 | 65.4 | 66.5 | 66.8 | 67.5 | 67.0 | 66.5 | 66.0 | 68.4 | 71.5 | 72.8  | 75.8  | 80.2  | 76.5  | 76.2  |
| Texas.....                | 75.3 | 75.0 | 74.5 | 75.0 | 76.1 | 76.1 | 76.1 | 77.2 | 75.6 | 75.2 | 74.7 | 76.1 | 77.9 | 77.0  | 77.5  | 80.8  | 79.9  | 81.0  |
| Mountain:                 |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |       |       |       |       |       |
| Montana.....              | 59.1 | 58.5 | 60.2 | 60.9 | 63.1 | 63.6 | 64.7 | 65.9 | 66.0 | 65.7 | 67.7 | 69.2 | 72.2 | 75.6  | 75.6  | 78.6  | 77.8  | 78.1  |
| Idaho.....                | 70.3 | 71.3 | 70.5 | 70.3 | 72.1 | 73.5 | 73.1 | 74.2 | 72.5 | 72.2 | 72.7 | 74.4 | 79.1 | 81.2  | 85.2  | 89.6  | 90.0  | 93.9  |
| Wyoming.....              | 61.8 | 59.8 | 59.3 | 61.2 | 62.7 | 62.9 | 63.2 | 67.4 | 66.4 | 68.2 | 69.8 | 76.4 | 82.2 | 84.8  | 87.0  | 93.0  | 93.2  | 94.8  |
| Colorado.....             | 64.2 | 63.6 | 62.5 | 63.3 | 64.2 | 65.0 | 65.0 | 65.9 | 65.2 | 65.6 | 65.6 | 67.3 | 67.6 | 67.4  | 68.7  | 70.4  | 69.0  | 67.9  |
| New Mexico.....           | 70.4 | 71.6 | 71.6 | 74.8 | 76.6 | 77.0 | 77.7 | 77.7 | 77.9 | 77.2 | 77.8 | 78.7 | 81.2 | 81.2  | 82.9  | 85.3  | 84.0  | 84.1  |
| Arizona.....              | 78.1 | 77.1 | 79.5 | 79.7 | 79.7 | 80.4 | 79.9 | 82.3 | 80.6 | 79.7 | 78.7 | 78.3 | 79.8 | 76.8  | 77.7  | 78.2  | 79.1  | 80.1  |
| Utah.....                 | 88.5 | 89.0 | 86.2 | 85.9 | 85.9 | 88.5 | 88.1 | 92.0 | 91.4 | 93.4 | 92.0 | 95.3 | 99.6 | 103.5 | 108.7 | 116.4 | 118.8 | 123.0 |
| Nevada.....               | 75.4 | 75.5 | 75.2 | 74.5 | 73.1 | 73.6 | 74.7 | 77.6 | 74.0 | 70.9 | 68.0 | 67.4 | 66.9 | 66.4  | 65.7  | 68.0  | 68.5  | 68.4  |
| Pacific:                  |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |       |       |       |       |       |
| Washington.....           | 61.8 | 62.0 | 62.1 | 62.9 | 64.6 | 66.1 | 67.3 | 68.7 | 66.7 | 65.2 | 64.4 | 64.5 | 66.3 | 66.1  | 66.8  | 67.9  | 69.0  | 69.1  |
| Oregon.....               | 62.7 | 62.7 | 62.2 | 61.3 | 61.5 | 62.7 | 63.7 | 66.1 | 64.4 | 63.0 | 61.3 | 61.8 | 63.1 | 63.4  | 64.4  | 65.6  | 68.5  | 69.4  |
| California.....           | 72.3 | 74.8 | 76.6 | 78.3 | 80.5 | 83.1 | 84.4 | 85.3 | 80.6 | 76.9 | 74.1 | 72.6 | 72.8 | 71.0  | 70.6  | 71.3  | 71.5  | 70.8  |
| Alaska.....               | 72.4 | 71.7 | 73.2 | 75.2 | 77.9 | 82.0 | 82.9 | 86.3 | 85.2 | 82.0 | 85.9 | 87.5 | 93.1 | 92.9  | 93.0  | 95.7  | 91.8  | 90.5  |
| Hawaii.....               | 69.0 | 72.5 | 72.2 | 74.7 | 74.8 | 75.2 | 75.7 | 79.2 | 75.7 | 74.7 | 73.2 | 73.2 | 74.1 | 76.4  | 78.7  | 78.6  | 77.8  | 78.9  |

(1) 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.

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