

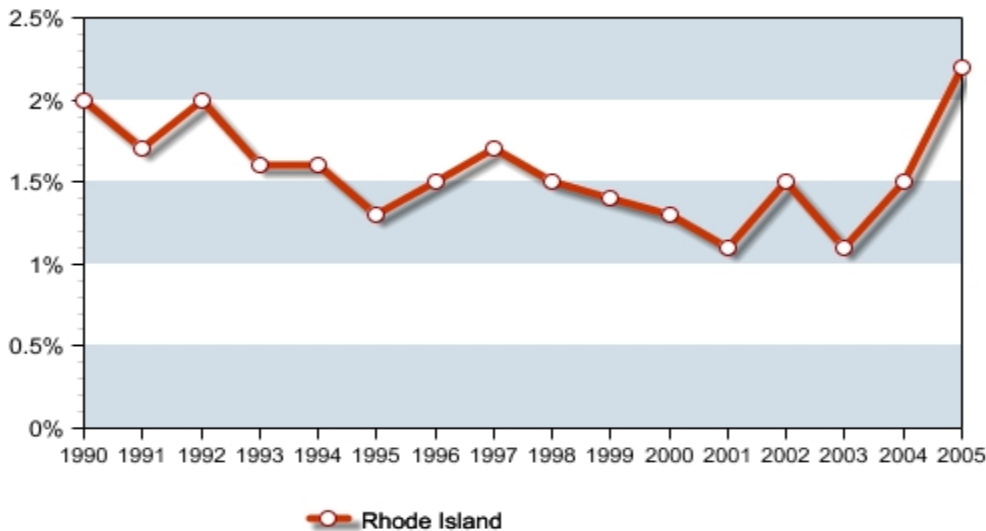
Analysis of 2008 Right Start for America's Newborns

Circumstances and conditions surrounding birth serve as a foundation for the rest of life, shaping children's lives and influencing factors such as school readiness. The newly updated report, *The Right Start for America's Newborns: City and State Trends* has been released as a joint project of Child Trends and the National KIDS COUNT Project, an initiative of The Annie E. Casey Foundation. It reflects 16 years of data (1990-2005), reporting on conditions surrounding births in each state and fifty-six of the nation's largest cities, including Providence. The report documents ten state- and city-level measures: births to teens; births to teens who were already mothers; births to unmarried women; births, by race; births to mothers with less than 12 years of education; births to foreign-born mothers; births to mothers receiving late or no prenatal care; births to mothers who smoked during pregnancy; low birthweight births, preterm births. In addition, the report features new national data on birth outcomes by the race and ethnicity of the mother for every year since 1990.

Data from the 2008 *The Right Start for America's Newborns* report are now available at <http://www.kidscount.org/datacenter/rightstart.jsp>. State- and city-level data on birth outcomes are now part of the easy-to-use, powerful online database, KIDS COUNT Data Center, which allows you to generate custom graphs, maps, ranked lists, and state-by-state profiles; or, download the entire data set as delimited text files.

Key Findings for Rhode Island in the 2008 Report:

Over the past 16 years, Rhode Island shows improvements on four of eight measures of infant health and development. Rhode Island ranks in the top half of the nation in seven out of the eight measures of infant health and development.

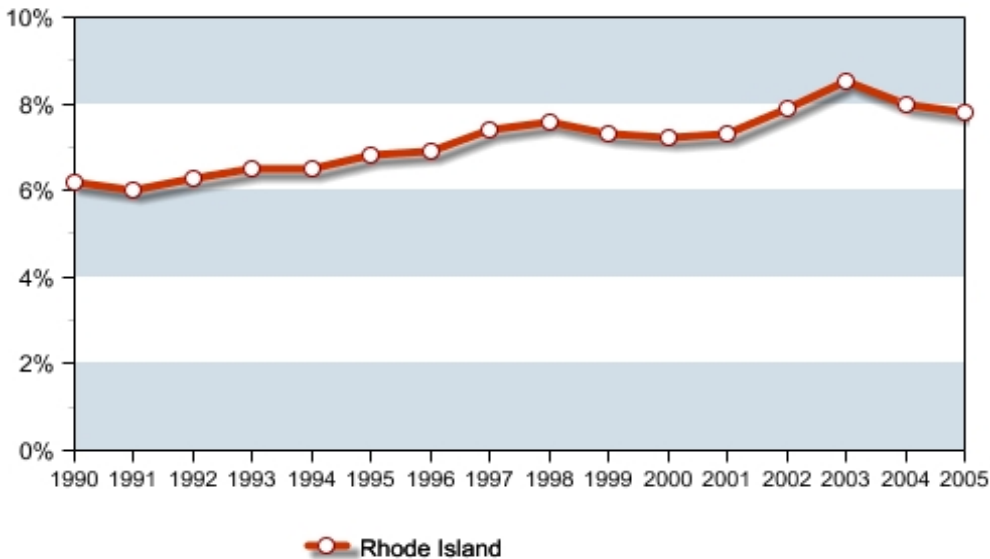


Prenatal Care

Since last year, RI ranks 3rd best in the nation for the lowest rate of total births to mothers receiving late or no prenatal care. The graphic below depicts the percentage of mothers receiving delayed or no prenatal care in Rhode Island from 1990-2005.

Births to women receiving late or no prenatal care (1989 standard birth certificate): 1990-2005

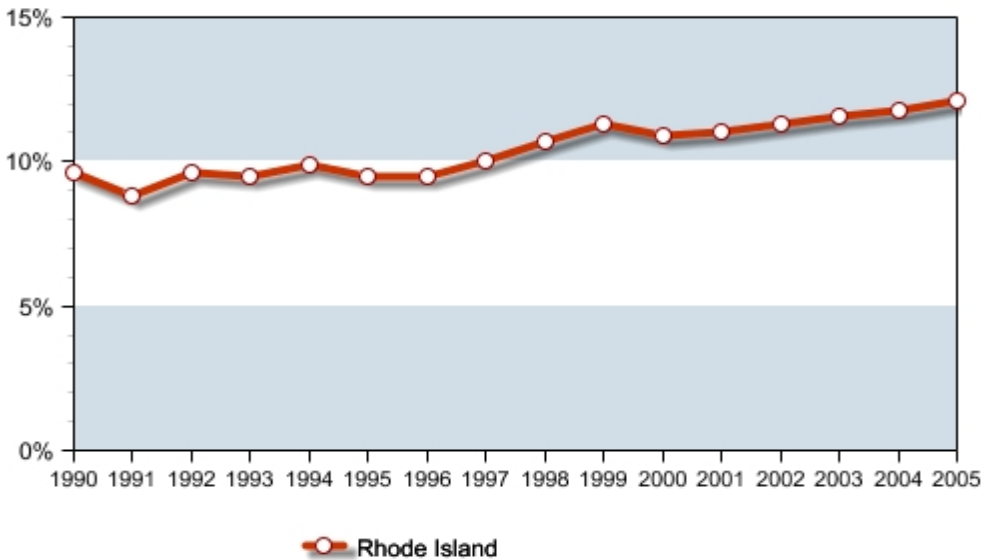
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Low-birthweight Babies
 Defined as those weighing less than 5.5 pounds, low-birthweight babies are on the decline in Rhode Island since hitting a 16 year high in 2003, as shown in the graph at left. Rhode Island's rate of total low birthweight babies, 12.1% for 2005, is comparable to the national average of 12.7%. Rhode Island is 19th in the nation for low-birthweight babies.

Low-birthweight babies: 1990-2005

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Preterm Births
 As the graph indicates, the percentage of preterm births in RI has risen steadily since 1996, accounting for 12.1% of the births in the state in 2005, the most recent data year. Preterm births are defined as births occurring after less than 37 weeks of gestation.

Preterm births: 1990-2005

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The following tables contain the state- and city-level rankings from the *2008 Right Start for America's Newborns* report.

States Ranked by Indicator, 2005

Percent of total births to teens

Rank	State	Percent	Rank	State	Percent
	U.S. Average	10.2%	26	Colorado	9.8%
1	New Hampshire	5.9%	27	Alaska	10.0%
2	Massachusetts	6.0%	28	Kansas	10.3%
3	New Jersey	6.1%	29	Montana	10.4%
4	Utah	6.3%	30	Ohio	10.6%
5	Vermont	6.6%	31	Delaware	10.7%
6	Connecticut	6.8%	31	Nevada	10.7%
6	Minnesota	6.8%	33	Florida	10.8%
8	New York	7.0%	34	Indiana	11.0%
9	North Dakota	7.9%	35	Missouri	11.1%
10	Maine	8.0%	35	Wyoming	11.1%
11	Washington	8.3%	37	North Carolina	11.5%
11	Nebraska	8.3%	38	West Virginia	11.9%
11	Hawaii	8.3%	38	Georgia	11.9%
14	Virginia	8.5%	40	Kentucky	12.1%
14	Maryland	8.5%	41	Arizona	12.5%
14	Iowa	8.5%	42	Alabama	13.1%
17	Wisconsin	8.6%	42	Oklahoma	13.1%
18	Idaho	8.8%	44	South Carolina	13.2%
18	Oregon	8.8%	45	Tennessee	13.4%
20	Rhode Island	9.0%	46	Texas	13.5%
20	Pennsylvania	9.0%	47	Louisiana	13.7%
22	California	9.3%	48	Arkansas	14.7%
23	Michigan	9.4%	49	Mississippi	15.6%
24	South Dakota	9.5%	50	New Mexico	15.8%
25	Illinois	9.7%	N.R.	District of Columbia	11.0%
			N.R.	Puerto Rico	18.1%

N.R. = Not Ranked

Percent of teen births to women who were already mothers

Rank	State	Percent	Rank	State	Percent
	U.S. Average	19.4%	26	Kentucky	18.8%
1	New Hampshire	11.3%	27	Ohio	18.9%
2	Massachusetts	14.5%	27	Michigan	18.9%
2	North Dakota	14.5%	29	Pennsylvania	19.1%
4	Vermont	14.6%	30	Missouri	19.2%
5	Maine	14.7%	31	Florida	19.3%
6	Connecticut	14.8%	31	Alaska	19.3%
7	New York	15.5%	31	Indiana	19.3%
8	Hawaii	16.0%	34	Illinois	19.6%
9	Iowa	16.5%	35	Tennessee	19.8%
10	Idaho	16.6%	36	Alabama	20.0%
11	Maryland	16.8%	36	Colorado	20.0%
11	Montana	16.8%	38	North Carolina	20.1%
13	New Jersey	16.9%	39	Kansas	20.3%
14	Nebraska	17.0%	39	South Carolina	20.3%
14	Utah	17.0%	41	Nevada	20.5%
16	Virginia	17.2%	42	Oklahoma	20.6%
17	Minnesota	17.3%	43	Delaware	20.8%
17	Rhode Island	17.3%	44	Louisiana	20.9%
19	Washington	17.6%	45	Arizona	21.2%
20	Oregon	17.7%	46	Mississippi	21.4%
21	South Dakota	17.8%	46	New Mexico	21.4%
22	California	18.0%	48	Arkansas	21.7%
23	Wyoming	18.1%	49	Georgia	21.8%
24	West Virginia	18.2%	50	Texas	23.4%
25	Wisconsin	18.3%	N.R.	District of Columbia	20.4%
			N.R.	Puerto Rico	22.3%

N.R. = Not Ranked

States Ranked by Indicator, 2005

Percent of total births to unmarried women

Rank	State	Percent	Rank	State	Percent
	U.S. Average	36.9%	26	Hawaii	36.3%
1	Utah	17.7%	27	West Virginia	36.5%
2	Idaho	22.9%	27	Pennsylvania	36.5%
3	Colorado	27.1%	29	Michigan	36.6%
4	New Hampshire	27.3%	30	Illinois	37.1%
5	Minnesota	29.8%	30	Maryland	37.1%
6	Massachusetts	30.2%	32	Texas	37.6%
7	Nebraska	30.9%	33	Missouri	37.8%
7	Washington	30.9%	34	North Carolina	38.4%
9	New Jersey	31.4%	35	Rhode Island	38.5%
10	North Dakota	32.2%	36	New York	38.7%
10	Connecticut	32.2%	37	Ohio	38.9%
10	Virginia	32.2%	38	Oklahoma	39.1%
13	Vermont	32.3%	39	Indiana	40.2%
14	Wisconsin	32.5%	39	Tennessee	40.2%
14	Iowa	32.5%	39	Arkansas	40.2%
16	Wyoming	32.8%	42	Georgia	40.6%
17	Oregon	33.3%	43	Nevada	40.9%
18	Kansas	34.2%	44	Florida	42.8%
19	Montana	34.6%	45	Arizona	43.1%
20	Maine	35.0%	46	South Carolina	43.3%
21	Kentucky	35.5%	47	Delaware	44.3%
22	Alabama	35.7%	48	Louisiana	48.0%
22	California	35.7%	49	Mississippi	49.4%
24	Alaska	36.0%	50	New Mexico	50.8%
25	South Dakota	36.2%	N.R.	District of Columbia	56.0%
			N.R.	Puerto Rico	56.5%

N.R. = Not Ranked

Percent of total births to mothers with less than 12 years of education

Rank	State	Percent	Rank	State	Percent
	U.S. Average*	20.9%	25	Alabama	22.1%
1	North Dakota	9.4%	27	Indiana	22.2%
2	Hawaii	9.7%	27	Arkansas	22.2%
3	Minnesota	10.9%	29	Oklahoma	22.4%
4	Maine	11.0%	30	Delaware	22.6%
4	Massachusetts	11.0%	31	North Carolina	23.3%
6	Connecticut	13.2%	32	Mississippi	24.3%
7	Utah	13.7%	33	Georgia	24.5%
8	New Jersey	14.2%	34	New Mexico	27.9%
8	Maryland	14.2%	35	California	28.0%
10	Alaska	14.7%	36	Nevada	28.6%
11	Iowa	15.0%	37	Arizona	29.4%
12	Wyoming	15.1%		Florida	N.C.
13	Virginia	15.2%		Idaho	N.C.
13	Montana	15.2%		Kansas	N.C.
15	Wisconsin	15.4%		Kentucky	N.C.
15	Rhode Island	15.4%		Nebraska	N.C.
17	South Dakota	16.1%		New Hampshire	N.C.
18	Ohio	17.1%		New York	N.C.
19	Michigan	17.2%		Pennsylvania	N.C.
20	West Virginia	18.4%		South Carolina	N.C.
21	Missouri	18.9%		Tennessee	N.C.
22	Oregon	20.4%		Texas	N.C.
22	Illinois	20.4%		Vermont	N.C.
24	Louisiana	21.4%		Washington	N.C.
25	Colorado	22.1%	N.R.	District of Columbia	20.2%
			N.R.	Puerto Rico	22.0%

N.C. = Not Comparable

N.R. = Not Ranked

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States Ranked by Indicator, 2005

Percent of total births to mothers receiving late or no prenatal care*

Rank	State	Percent	Rank	State	Percent
	U.S. Average*	3.5%	26	Indiana	4.2%
1	Maine	1.7%	27	Utah	4.3%
2	Connecticut	1.9%	27	Maryland	4.3%
3	Rhode Island	2.2%	29	Colorado	4.5%
3	Iowa	2.2%	30	Arkansas	4.7%
3	Massachusetts	2.2%	31	New Jersey	4.8%
6	Minnesota	2.3%	32	Delaware	4.9%
6	Missouri	2.3%	32	Alaska	4.9%
8	Illinois	2.6%	34	Oklahoma	5.5%
9	Montana	2.7%	35	Arizona	6.2%
9	North Dakota	2.7%	36	New Mexico	7.7%
9	California	2.7%	37	Nevada	8.2%
9	West Virginia	2.7%		Florida	N.C.
9	Louisiana	2.7%		Idaho	N.C.
14	Wisconsin	2.9%		Kansas	N.C.
14	Ohio	2.9%		Kentucky	N.C.
14	North Carolina	2.9%		Nebraska	N.C.
17	Michigan	3.0%		New Hampshire	N.C.
17	Mississippi	3.0%		New York	N.C.
19	Wyoming	3.3%		Pennsylvania	N.C.
20	South Dakota	3.6%		South Carolina	N.C.
20	Hawaii	3.6%		Tennessee	N.C.
22	Virginia	3.8%		Texas	N.C.
22	Georgia	3.8%		Vermont	N.C.
24	Oregon	4.1%		Washington	N.C.
24	Alabama	4.1%	N.R.	District of Columbia	5.1%
			N.R.	Puerto Rico	3.0%

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N.R. = Not Ranked

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Percent of total births to mothers who smoked during pregnancy

Rank	State	Percent	Rank	State	Percent
	U.S. Average*	10.7%	26	Arkansas	16.2%
1	Arizona	5.4%	26	Iowa	16.2%
2	Utah	5.9%	28	Oklahoma	16.5%
3	Connecticut	6.3%	29	North Dakota	17.1%
3	Hawaii	6.3%	30	Ohio	17.4%
5	Virginia	6.7%	31	South Dakota	17.8%
6	Maryland	7.0%	32	Indiana	18.0%
7	Massachusetts	7.3%	32	Montana	18.0%
8	Georgia	7.5%	34	Missouri	18.6%
8	New Jersey	7.5%	35	Wyoming	19.1%
10	Nevada	7.7%	36	West Virginia	26.5%
11	Colorado	7.8%		California	N.A.
12	New Mexico	8.3%		Florida	N.C.
13	Illinois	8.7%		Idaho	N.C.
14	Minnesota	9.5%		Kansas	N.C.
15	Rhode Island	10.5%		Kentucky	N.C.
15	Louisiana	10.5%		Nebraska	N.C.
17	Delaware	11.5%		New Hampshire	N.C.
18	Alabama	11.9%		New York	N.C.
19	North Carolina	12.1%		Pennsylvania	N.C.
20	Mississippi	12.2%		South Carolina	N.C.
21	Oregon	12.3%		Tennessee	N.C.
22	Wisconsin	13.5%		Texas	N.C.
23	Michigan	13.9%		Vermont	N.C.
24	Maine	16.0%		Washington	N.C.
25	Alaska	16.1%	N.R.	District of Columbia	4.3%
			N.R.	Puerto Rico	0.3%

N.A. = Not Available

N.R. = Not Ranked

N.C. = Not Comparable

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States Ranked by Indicator, 2005

Percent low-birthweight births (less than 5.5 pounds)

Rank	State	Percent	Rank	State	Percent
	U.S. Average	8.2%	24	Virginia	8.2%
1	Oregon	6.1%	27	Nevada	8.3%
1	Alaska	6.1%	27	Texas	8.3%
1	Washington	6.1%	27	New York	8.3%
4	Vermont	6.2%	27	Michigan	8.3%
5	North Dakota	6.4%	27	Indiana	8.3%
6	Minnesota	6.5%	32	Pennsylvania	8.4%
7	South Dakota	6.6%	33	Illinois	8.5%
7	Montana	6.6%	33	New Mexico	8.5%
9	Idaho	6.7%	35	Wyoming	8.6%
10	Maine	6.8%	36	Ohio	8.7%
10	Utah	6.8%	36	Florida	8.7%
12	California	6.9%	38	Arkansas	8.9%
12	Arizona	6.9%	39	Kentucky	9.1%
14	New Hampshire	7.0%	39	Maryland	9.1%
14	Nebraska	7.0%	41	Colorado	9.2%
14	Wisconsin	7.0%	41	North Carolina	9.2%
17	Iowa	7.2%	43	Georgia	9.5%
17	Kansas	7.2%	43	Tennessee	9.5%
19	Rhode Island	7.8%	43	Delaware	9.5%
20	Massachusetts	7.9%	46	West Virginia	9.6%
21	Connecticut	8.0%	47	South Carolina	10.2%
21	Oklahoma	8.0%	48	Alabama	10.7%
23	Missouri	8.1%	49	Louisiana	11.5%
24	New Jersey	8.2%	50	Mississippi	11.8%
24	Hawaii	8.2%	N.R.	District of Columbia	11.2%
			N.R.	Puerto Rico	12.8%

N.R. = Not Ranked

Percent preterm births (less than 37 completed weeks of gestation)

Rank	State	Percent	Rank	State	Percent
	U.S. Average	12.7%	26	Michigan	12.5%
1	Vermont	9.0%	26	New Jersey	12.5%
2	Oregon	10.2%	28	Ohio	13.0%
3	Connecticut	10.4%	29	Wyoming	13.1%
4	New Hampshire	10.5%	29	Oklahoma	13.1%
5	Washington	10.6%	29	Illinois	13.1%
5	Alaska	10.6%	29	New Mexico	13.1%
7	Maine	10.7%	33	Arizona	13.2%
7	Minnesota	10.7%	34	Missouri	13.3%
7	California	10.7%	34	Maryland	13.3%
10	Massachusetts	11.3%	36	Arkansas	13.4%
11	Idaho	11.4%	37	Indiana	13.5%
11	Wisconsin	11.4%	38	Texas	13.6%
11	Montana	11.4%	38	Georgia	13.6%
11	Utah	11.4%	40	North Carolina	13.7%
15	South Dakota	11.5%	41	Florida	13.8%
15	North Dakota	11.5%	42	Nevada	13.9%
17	Iowa	11.8%	43	Delaware	14.0%
18	Pennsylvania	11.9%	44	West Virginia	14.4%
19	Rhode Island	12.1%	45	Tennessee	14.7%
19	New York	12.1%	46	Kentucky	15.2%
21	Nebraska	12.2%	47	South Carolina	15.6%
21	Hawaii	12.2%	48	Louisiana	16.5%
21	Kansas	12.2%	49	Alabama	16.7%
24	Virginia	12.3%	50	Mississippi	18.8%
24	Colorado	12.3%	N.R.	District of Columbia	15.9%
			N.R.	Puerto Rico	19.7%

N.R. = Not Ranked

Cities Ranked by Indicator, 2005

Percent of total births to teens

Rank	City	Percent	Rank	City	Percent
	50-City Average	11.8%	30	Indianapolis, IN	12.6%
1	San Francisco, CA	3.6%	31	Wichita, KS	12.7%
2	Seattle, WA	3.9%	32	Houston, TX	12.9%
3	Honolulu, HI	5.4%	33	Chicago, IL	13.3%
4	San Jose, CA	6.4%	34	Oklahoma City, OK	13.6%
5	Portland, OR	6.7%	35	Albuquerque, NM	13.7%
6	Virginia Beach, VA	7.2%	36	Fresno, CA	13.9%
7	New York City, NY	7.3%	37	Tulsa, OK	14.0%
8	Boston, MA	7.5%	38	New Orleans, LA	14.6%
9	San Diego, CA	7.9%	39	San Antonio, TX	14.8%
10	Miami, FL	9.3%	39	Fort Worth, TX	14.8%
10	Charlotte, NC	9.3%	41	Dallas, TX	15.1%
12	Minneapolis, MN	9.4%	41	Phoenix, AZ	15.1%
13	Colorado Springs, CO	10.0%	43	El Paso, TX	15.6%
14	Omaha, NE	10.2%	44	St. Louis, MO	16.0%
15	Oakland, CA	10.3%	45	Philadelphia, PA	16.2%
15	Los Angeles, CA	10.3%	46	Milwaukee, WI	16.8%
17	Austin, TX	10.5%	47	Baltimore, MD	17.7%
18	Mesa, AZ	10.8%	48	Cleveland, OH	17.9%
19	Las Vegas, NV	10.9%	49	Detroit, MI	18.2%
20	Washington, DC	11.0%	50	Memphis, TN	19.0%
20	Sacramento, CA	11.0%		Cities Not Included in Largest 50-city average	
22	Long Beach, CA	11.2%		Louisville, KY	10.4%
22	Nashville-Davidson, TN	11.2%		Des Moines, IA	11.4%
24	Columbus, OH	11.3%		New Haven, CT	13.1%
25	Jacksonville, FL	11.8%		Providence, RI	15.4%
26	Atlanta, GA	11.9%		Hartford, CT	17.9%
27	Denver, CO	12.1%		San Juan, PR	16.9%
27	Kansas City, MO	12.1%			
29	Tucson, AZ	12.3%			

Percent of teen births to women who were already mothers

Rank	City	Percent	Rank	City	Percent
	50-City Average	20.9%	30	El Paso, TX	22.0%
1	San Francisco, CA	12.5%	31	Denver, CO	22.1%
2	Virginia Beach, VA	14.5%	32	Chicago, IL	22.3%
3	Boston, MA	14.7%	33	Detroit, MI	22.4%
4	New York City, NY	15.2%	34	Philadelphia, PA	22.8%
5	Seattle, WA	15.8%	35	Fresno, CA	23.0%
6	San Jose, CA	16.3%	36	Kansas City, MO	23.3%
7	Honolulu, HI	16.5%	36	Fort Worth, TX	23.3%
8	San Diego, CA	16.8%	38	Columbus, OH	23.6%
9	Miami, FL	17.1%	39	St. Louis, MO	23.7%
10	Oakland, CA	17.5%	40	Phoenix, AZ	23.8%
11	Los Angeles, CA	18.5%	41	Wichita, KS	23.9%
12	Mesa, AZ	18.7%	42	Tulsa, OK	24.3%
13	Long Beach, CA	19.2%	43	Memphis, TN	24.4%
14	Omaha, NE	19.3%	44	Houston, TX	24.6%
15	Colorado Springs, CO	19.4%	45	Austin, TX	24.9%
16	Jacksonville, FL	19.8%	46	Oklahoma City, OK	25.0%
17	Portland, OR	19.9%	47	Milwaukee, WI	25.2%
18	Washington, DC	20.4%	48	Dallas, TX	25.7%
18	New Orleans, LA	20.4%	49	Atlanta, GA	26.2%
20	Baltimore, MD	20.6%	50	San Antonio, TX	26.9%
21	Nashville-Davidson, TN	20.7%		Cities Not Included in Largest 50-city average	
21	Cleveland, OH	20.7%		New Haven, CT	14.3%
23	Las Vegas, NV	20.8%		Louisville, KY	19.5%
23	Charlotte, NC	20.8%		Des Moines, IA	20.3%
25	Indianapolis, IN	21.0%		Hartford, CT	21.0%
25	Sacramento, CA	21.0%		Providence, RI	21.0%
27	Tucson, AZ	21.2%		San Juan, PR	22.8%
28	Albuquerque, NM	21.7%			
29	Minneapolis, MN	21.8%			

Cities Ranked by Indicator, 2005

Percent of total births to unmarried women

Rank	City	Percent	Rank	City	Percent
	50-City Average	46.1%	30	Columbus, OH	46.1%
1	San Francisco, CA	23.6%	31	Miami, FL	46.2%
2	Seattle, WA	23.9%	32	Oklahoma City, OK	47.6%
3	Virginia Beach, VA	28.5%	33	Albuquerque, NM	48.3%
4	San Jose, CA	29.3%	34	Fresno, CA	48.5%
5	San Diego, CA	29.4%	35	Tulsa, OK	48.6%
6	Honolulu, HI	30.7%	36	Kansas City, MO	50.0%
7	Colorado Springs, CO	30.9%	37	Dallas, TX	50.7%
8	Portland, OR	32.7%	38	Chicago, IL	51.5%
9	Denver, CO	34.5%	39	Phoenix, AZ	52.8%
10	Austin, TX	35.3%	40	Atlanta, GA	53.4%
11	El Paso, TX	38.5%	40	Indianapolis, IN	53.4%
12	Mesa, AZ	39.3%	42	Washington, DC	56.0%
13	Oakland, CA	40.3%	43	Milwaukee, WI	62.1%
14	Charlotte, NC	40.7%	44	Philadelphia, PA	63.3%
15	Omaha, NE	41.0%	45	New Orleans, LA	64.0%
16	San Antonio, TX	41.6%	46	Memphis, TN	66.4%
16	Sacramento, CA	41.6%	47	St. Louis, MO	66.5%
18	Wichita, KS	42.5%	48	Baltimore, MD	68.1%
19	Fort Worth, TX	43.2%	49	Cleveland, OH	72.2%
20	Las Vegas, NV	43.6%	50	Detroit, MI	73.0%
21	Minneapolis, MN	43.8%		Cities Not Included in	
22	Boston, MA	44.6%		Largest 50-city average	
23	Jacksonville, FL	44.7%		Louisville, KY	44.8%
24	Houston, TX	45.0%		Des Moines, IA	45.2%
25	Long Beach, CA	45.1%		Providence, RI	59.2%
26	Tucson, AZ	45.3%		New Haven, CT	63.7%
27	New York City, NY	45.4%		Hartford, CT	74.2%
28	Los Angeles, CA	45.5%		San Juan, PR	65.3%
29	Nashville-Davidson, TN	45.8%			

Percent of total births to mothers with less than 12 years of education

Rank	City	Percent	Rank	City	Percent
	50-City Average*	26.4%	30	Long Beach, CA	33.2%
1	Virginia Beach, VA	8.2%	31	Milwaukee, WI	33.3%
2	Honolulu, HI	9.0%	32	Fresno, CA	35.8%
3	Boston, MA	14.0%	33	Denver, CO	36.5%
4	San Francisco, CA	15.6%	33	Detroit, MI	36.5%
5	Colorado Springs, CO	16.3%	35	Los Angeles, CA	39.8%
6	Portland, OR	18.8%	36	Phoenix, AZ	43.7%
7	San Diego, CA	20.0%		Austin, TX	N.C.
8	Washington, DC	20.2%		Dallas, TX	N.C.
9	Columbus, OH	21.5%		El Paso, TX	N.C.
10	New Orleans, LA	22.1%		Fort Worth, TX	N.C.
11	Charlotte, NC	22.4%		Houston, TX	N.C.
12	Minneapolis, MN	23.1%		Jacksonville, FL	N.C.
13	New York City, NY	23.3%		Memphis, TN	N.C.
14	Kansas City, MO	24.6%		Miami, FL	N.C.
15	San Jose, CA	25.0%		Nashville-Davidson, TN	N.C.
16	Tucson, AZ	25.1%		Omaha, NE	N.C.
17	Albuquerque, NM	25.2%		Philadelphia, PA	N.C.
18	Sacramento, CA	25.9%		San Antonio, TX	N.C.
19	Mesa, AZ	27.1%		Seattle, WA	N.C.
20	St. Louis, MO	27.5%		Wichita, KS	N.C.
21	Indianapolis, IN	29.1%		Cities Not Included in	
22	Baltimore, MD	29.2%		Largest 50-city average	
23	Atlanta, GA	29.8%		Louisville, KY	N.C.
24	Tulsa, OK	30.4%		Des Moines, IA	24.0%
25	Chicago, IL	30.5%		New Haven, CT	29.4%
26	Las Vegas, NV	30.6%		Providence, RI	30.3%
27	Oklahoma City, OK	31.5%		Hartford, CT	34.2%
28	Cleveland, OH	31.7%		San Juan, PR	27.8%
29	Oakland, CA	32.4%			

N.C. = Not Comparable

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Cities Ranked by Indicator, 2005

Percent of total births to mothers receiving late or no prenatal care

Rank	City	Percent	Rank	City	Percent
	50-City Average*	4.6%	30	Denver, CO	6.5%
1	Los Angeles, CA	1.7%	31	Phoenix, AZ	6.6%
2	Long Beach, CA	1.8%	32	Cleveland, OH	7.1%
3	Oakland, CA	1.9%	33	Tulsa, OK	7.9%
4	Fresno, CA	2.0%	34	Detroit, MI	8.2%
5	Virginia Beach, VA	2.1%	35	Tucson, AZ	9.1%
6	San Francisco, CA	2.2%	36	Las Vegas, NV	10.1%
7	San Diego, CA	2.3%		Austin, TX	N.C.
8	Boston, MA	2.7%		Dallas, TX	N.C.
9	Charlotte, NC	2.9%		El Paso, TX	N.C.
10	San Jose, CA	3.0%		Fort Worth, TX	N.C.
11	Honolulu, HI	3.1%		Houston, TX	N.C.
12	Kansas City, MO	3.2%		Jacksonville, FL	N.C.
13	Chicago, IL	3.4%		Memphis, TN	N.C.
14	St. Louis, MO	3.7%		Miami, FL	N.C.
15	Portland, OR	3.8%		Nashville-Davidson, TN	N.C.
16	Sacramento, CA	4.0%		Omaha, NE	N.C.
17	Milwaukee, WI	4.2%		Philadelphia, PA	N.C.
18	Minneapolis, MN	4.4%		San Antonio, TX	N.C.
19	Columbus, OH	4.6%		Seattle, WA	N.C.
20	Albuquerque, NM	4.7%		Wichita, KS	N.C.
20	New Orleans, LA	4.7%		Cities Not Included in	
22	New York City, NY	4.9%		Largest 50-city average	
22	Oklahoma City, OK	4.9%		New Haven, CT	3.5%
24	Washington, DC	5.1%		Providence, RI	3.8%
24	Mesa, AZ	5.1%		Hartford, CT	3.8%
26	Atlanta, GA	5.4%		Des Moines, IA	4.1%
27	Colorado Springs, CO	5.9%		Louisville, KY	N.C.
28	Indianapolis, IN	5.9%		San Juan, PR	4.4%
29	Baltimore, MD	6.1%		N.C. = Not Comparable	

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Percent of total births to mothers who smoked during pregnancy

Rank	City	Percent	Rank	City	Percent
	50-City Average*	8.8%		Long Beach, CA	N.A
1	New York City, NY	1.7%		Los Angeles, CA	N.A
2	New Orleans, LA	2.1%		Oakland, CA	N.A
3	Atlanta, GA	2.9%		Sacramento, CA	N.A
4	Boston, MA	3.6%		San Diego, CA	N.A
5	Washington, DC	4.3%		San Francisco, CA	N.A
6	Phoenix, AZ	4.6%		San Jose, CA	N.A
7	Honolulu, HI	4.7%		Austin, TX	N.C.
8	Chicago, IL	4.8%		Dallas, TX	N.C.
9	Mesa, AZ	5.1%		El Paso, TX	N.C.
10	Virginia Beach, VA	5.4%		Fort Worth, TX	N.C.
11	Minneapolis, MN	5.5%		Houston, TX	N.C.
12	Charlotte, NC	5.6%		Jacksonville, FL	N.C.
13	Tucson, AZ	6.0%		Memphis, TN	N.C.
14	Denver, CO	6.1%		Miami, FL	N.C.
15	Las Vegas, NV	6.6%		Nashville-Davidson, TN	N.C.
16	Albuquerque, NM	8.3%		Omaha, NE	N.C.
17	Portland, OR	10.9%		Philadelphia, PA	N.C.
18	Milwaukee, WI	11.1%		San Antonio, TX	N.C.
19	Baltimore, MD	11.8%		Seattle, WA	N.C.
20	Detroit, MI	12.0%		Wichita, KS	N.C.
21	Colorado Springs, CO	12.2%		Cities Not Included in	
22	Columbus, OH	13.5%		Largest 50-city average	
23	Kansas City, MO	14.0%		New Haven, CT	7.1%
24	Oklahoma City, OK	14.2%		Hartford, CT	8.0%
25	Tulsa, OK	14.3%		Providence, RI	8.2%
26	St. Louis, MO	15.8%		Louisville, KY	N.C.
27	Indianapolis, IN	16.4%		Des Moines, IA	19.1%
28	Cleveland, OH	22.0%		San Juan, PR	0.5%
	Fresno, CA	N.A		N.A. = Not Available	
				N.C. = Not Comparable	

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Cities Ranked by Indicator, 2005

Percent low-birthweight births (less than 5.5 pounds)

Rank	City	Percent	Rank	City	Percent
	50-City Average	9.1%	30	San Antonio, TX	9.1%
1	Mesa, AZ	6.4%	31	Miami, FL	9.2%
2	San Jose, CA	6.5%	32	Indianapolis, IN	9.3%
3	Portland, OR	6.7%	33	Kansas City, MO	9.5%
4	San Francisco, CA	6.9%	33	Nashville-Davidson, TN	9.5%
5	Seattle, WA	7.1%	35	Boston, MA	9.7%
5	San Diego, CA	7.1%	35	Columbus, OH	9.7%
5	Tucson, AZ	7.1%	37	Jacksonville, FL	9.8%
8	Sacramento, CA	7.3%	38	Denver, CO	10.1%
8	Phoenix, AZ	7.3%	39	Chicago, IL	10.2%
8	Fresno, CA	7.3%	39	Colorado Springs, CO	10.2%
11	Long Beach, CA	7.4%	41	Milwaukee, WI	10.5%
11	Los Angeles, CA	7.4%	42	Atlanta, GA	10.7%
13	Austin, TX	7.6%	43	Washington, DC	11.2%
14	Oakland, CA	7.7%	44	Philadelphia, PA	11.4%
15	Wichita, KS	8.0%	45	St. Louis, MO	11.8%
16	Minneapolis, MN	8.1%	46	Memphis, TN	12.6%
17	Fort Worth, TX	8.2%	47	Cleveland, OH	12.7%
17	Tulsa, OK	8.2%	48	Baltimore, MD	12.9%
19	Las Vegas, NV	8.3%	49	New Orleans, LA	14.0%
19	Omaha, NE	8.3%	50	Detroit, MI	14.1%
21	Virginia Beach, VA	8.5%		Cities Not Included in	
22	Dallas, TX	8.6%		Largest 50-city average	
22	Albuquerque, NM	8.6%		Des Moines, IA	8.4%
24	Honolulu, HI	8.7%		Louisville, KY	9.9%
24	Charlotte, NC	8.7%		Providence, RI	10.0%
26	Houston, TX	8.8%		New Haven, CT	10.9%
26	El Paso, TX	8.8%		Hartford, CT	11.2%
28	Oklahoma City, OK	8.9%		San Juan, PR	12.9%
28	New York City, NY	8.9%			

Percent preterm births (less than 37 completed weeks of gestation)

Rank	City	Percent	Rank	City	Percent
	50-City Average	13.5%	30	Tulsa, OK	14.0%
1	Oakland, CA	8.8%	30	Phoenix, AZ	14.0%
2	San Jose, CA	9.4%	30	Denver, CO	14.0%
3	Portland, OR	10.3%	33	Columbus, OH	14.1%
4	San Francisco, CA	10.4%	34	Boston, MA	14.2%
5	Seattle, WA	10.5%	32	San Antonio, TX	14.4%
6	Sacramento, CA	10.7%	36	Jacksonville, FL	14.5%
7	Austin, TX	10.9%	37	Miami, FL	14.6%
8	Virginia Beach, VA	11.2%	38	Indianapolis, IN	14.7%
9	Minneapolis, MN	11.5%	38	Philadelphia, PA	14.7%
10	San Diego, CA	11.7%	38	Milwaukee, WI	14.7%
11	Los Angeles, CA	11.8%	41	Chicago, IL	14.8%
12	Charlotte, NC	11.9%	41	Las Vegas, NV	14.8%
13	Long Beach, CA	12.0%	43	Atlanta, GA	15.1%
14	Honolulu, HI	12.1%	44	Washington, DC	15.9%
15	Mesa, AZ	12.3%	45	Cleveland, OH	16.4%
15	Tucson, AZ	12.3%	45	Baltimore, MD	16.4%
17	Fort Worth, TX	12.5%	47	Memphis, TN	17.4%
17	Oklahoma City, OK	12.5%	48	New Orleans, LA	18.6%
19	Fresno, CA	12.6%	49	St. Louis, MO	18.9%
19	Albuquerque, NM	12.6%	50	Detroit, MI	19.8%
21	New York City, NY	12.7%		Cities Not Included in	
22	Colorado Springs, CO	12.8%		Largest 50-city average	
23	Wichita, KS	13.1%		Des Moines, IA	13.0%
24	Omaha, NE	13.5%		Hartford, CT	13.2%
24	Kansas City, MO	13.5%		Providence, RI	13.9%
26	Nashville-Davidson, TN	13.8%		New Haven, CT	14.1%
26	El Paso, TX	13.8%		Louisville, KY	16.1%
26	Houston, TX	13.8%		San Juan, PR	20.5%
29	Dallas, TX	13.9%			