

**TABLE 1B-9
LOW-BIRTHWEIGHT BIRTHS (LBW) ACCORDING TO MATERNAL, PRENATAL CARE AND DELIVERY
CHARACTERISTICS, BIRTHWEIGHT, PLURALITY, CHILD'S SEX,
BIRTH ORDER AND BIRTH COMPLICATIONS, ARIZONA, 1990-2000
(WHITE NON-HISPANIC MOTHERS)**

Characteristic	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000
NUMBER OF LBW BIRTHS	2,472	2,397	2,328	2,407	2,515	2,578	2,565	2,543	2,559	2,591	2,850
PERCENT OF LOW-BIRTHWEIGHT BIRTHS											
AGE OF MOTHER											
≤19 years	14.1	14.4	12.8	12.2	13.1	11.8	12.9	11.1	12.4	10.7	11.4
≥30 years	33.2	33.6	34.0	36.1	37.7	38.3	39.3	39.3	38.1	39.6	40.1
MARITAL STATUS											
Unmarried	29.7	31.2	31.9	32.8	33.6	34.8	33.9	32.5	33.0	29.2	30.8
MOTHER'S EDUCATION											
<9 years	3.2	3.4	6.9	3.3	3.3	2.2	2.6	2.3	2.5	2.2	1.7
PRENATAL CARE BEGAN											
1st Trimester	71.1	71.7	74.7	74.2	74.3	73.4	77.7	80.6	78.1	79.3	81.4
3rd Trimester	4.7	4.3	4.0	3.5	4.1	4.8	3.2	2.1	2.2	2.5	2.2
No Care	3.7	2.9	2.8	2.6	2.8	2.2	2.0	2.1	2.7	2.0	2.0
PRENATAL VISITS											
1-4	9.9	9.4	6.5	8.3	7.5	7.4	5.8	4.8	5.5	5.0	4.8
≥5	84.0	85.5	86.0	85.1	83.8	80.3	87.7	93.0	94.4	82.6	83.3
≥9	62.7	63.6	69.7	64.3	65.1	62.3	69.3	70.8	65.0	65.0	65.6
≥13	27.7	28.2	33.3	29.0	26.7	24.6	29.1	30.4	25.9	28.5	30.1
MEDICAL RISKS/ COMPLICATIONS¹	68.8	69.5	62.7	65.3	69.8	70.1	71.0	73.5	71.3	70.5	70.9
GESTATIONAL AGE²											
≤37 weeks	74.8	72.1	78.3	77.9	77.0	78.9	80.9	83.4	82.5	80.2	81.2
BIRTH WEIGHT											
<1,500 grams	19.5	20.2	16.7	17.3	15.2	16.8	17.0	17.2	16.1	18.3	18.4
<1,000 grams	10.6	12.2	8.5	8.8	7.0	8.3	8.3	7.6	8.0	10.1	9.0
CHILD'S SEX											
Male	48.4	49.0	47.8	46.7	45.6	46.9	48.5	48.8	47.7	48.9	49.3
Female	51.6	50.9	52.2	53.3	54.4	53.1	51.5	51.2	52.3	51.1	50.7
PLURALITY											
Multiple births	21.4	17.4	21.4	19.7	21.4	23.8	24.3	23.9	26.1	25.0	28.7
CAESAREAN DELIVERY	34.5	34.0	36.8	33.2	36.2	35.8	36.7	37.9	39.0	39.5	43.0
PLACE OF DELIVERY											
Hospital ³	98.7	99.4	99.4	99.3	99.2	99.5	99.5	99.4	99.3	99.4	99.8
ATTENDANT AT BIRTH											
Midwife ⁴	1.1	1.8	1.9	2.8	2.7	1.7	1.9	2.1	1.5	1.9	2.2
PREVIOUS LIVE BIRTHS											
1 or more	57.4	56.9	56.4	56.4	58.1	55.8	58.6	55.1	56.5	56.0	56.0

¹ Reported medical risks for this pregnancy and/or complications of labor and delivery.

² Physician's estimate.

³ Hospital, clinic, medical center or maternity home.

⁴ Licensed Midwife or Certified Nurse Midwife.