

**TABLE 1B-13**  
**LOW-BIRTHWEIGHT (LBW) BIRTHS ACCORDING TO SELECTED MATERNAL, PRENATAL**  
**CARE AND DELIVERY CHARACTERISTICS, BIRTHWEIGHT, PLURALITY, CHILD'S SEX,**  
**BIRTH ORDER AND BIRTH COMPLICATIONS, ARIZONA, 1990-2000**  
**(BLACK MOTHERS)**

Characteristic	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000
<b>NUMBER OF LBW BIRTHS</b>	295	328	309	321	317	296	290	337	322	322	350
<b>PERCENT OF LBW BIRTHS</b>											
<b>AGE OF MOTHER</b>											
≤19 years	24.6	23.3	24.2	23.3	22.0	21.3	17.9	20.7	26.7	22.9	23.7
≥30 years	19.8	20.3	20.1	22.7	24.3	23.9	25.8	27.3	23.6	24.8	24.9
<b>MARITAL STATUS</b>											
Unmarried	69.5	71.6	70.9	66.7	66.9	70.3	69.3	69.7	67.7	64.4	68.0
<b>MOTHER'S EDUCATION</b>											
<9 years	2.4	4.8	5.8	1.9	2.5	5.4	2.4	5.6	3.7	2.2	3.7
<b>PRENATAL CARE BEGAN</b>											
1st Trimester	57.3	48.2	56.6	57.6	62.8	58.4	66.9	61.7	66.8	68.1	67.1
3rd Trimester	6.8	10.1	4.2	6.2	6.3	7.8	6.6	7.7	3.4	4.3	2.3
No Care	9.2	10.1	11.0	12.8	9.5	5.4	7.6	8.0	7.5	2.5	6.3
<b>PRENATAL VISITS</b>											
1-4	18.6	19.8	11.3	10.6	10.4	12.2	12.4	13.4	12.1	8.4	6.9
≥5	68.1	65.9	71.8	72.0	71.9	70.3	72.7	73.9	71.8	74.6	76.6
≥9	44.1	39.7	42.7	47.4	54.5	46.6	54.4	56.1	51.9	55.7	52.3
≥13	19.7	17.1	29.1	19.3	18.9	18.6	21.0	25.2	19.9	25.1	25.7
<b>MEDICAL RISKS</b>											
<b>COMPLICATIONS<sup>1</sup></b>	59.7	68.9	61.5	67.6	71.3	76.4	73.5	74.5	75.2	70.0	69.7
<b>GESTATIONAL AGE<sup>2</sup></b>											
≤37 weeks	76.6	73.2	75.7	81.0	79.5	75.3	80.3	73.6	79.2	79.3	82.3
<b>BIRTH WEIGHT</b>											
<1,500 grams	25.4	21.3	19.1	23.4	20.8	19.6	24.5	19.3	21.5	20.8	18.0
<1,000 grams	15.3	14.6	9.7	14.0	10.7	9.8	15.9	10.7	13.7	12.1	8.9
<b>CHILD'S SEX</b>											
Male	46.1	46.6	44.7	47.7	46.7	44.9	15.9	48.4	47.2	50.2	47.4
Female	53.9	53.4	55.3	52.3	53.3	55.1	54.8	51.6	52.8	49.8	52.6
<b>PLURALITY</b>											
Multiple births	13.9	16.5	8.7	17.8	20.5	17.2	45.2	16.9	16.5	17.3	20.9
<b>CAESAREAN DELIVERY</b>	24.8	25.9	22.7	28.0	30.0	27.4	32.1	30.3	32.3	31.3	33.4
<b>PLACE OF DELIVERY</b>											
Hospital <sup>3</sup>	98.3	99.1	97.7	99.1	98.4	99.3	99.3	98.2	98.4	100.0	99.7
<b>ATTENDANT AT BIRTH</b>											
Midwife <sup>4</sup>	1.4	1.8	3.2	3.1	2.5	2.0	2.1	3.6	1.9	3.1	2.3
<b>PREVIOUS LIVE BIRTHS</b>											
1 or more	66.4	67.7	63.8	70.1	62.1	67.9	61.7	65.6	57.5	61.5	65.4

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

<sup>2</sup> Physician's estimate.

<sup>3</sup> Hospital, clinic, medical center or maternity home.

<sup>4</sup> Licensed Midwife or Certified Nurse Midwife.