

**TABLE 1B-12  
LIVE BIRTHS ACCORDING TO SELECTED MATERNAL, PRENATAL CARE AND DELIVERY  
CHARACTERISTICS, BIRTHWEIGHT, PLURALITY, CHILD'S SEX, BIRTH ORDER AND  
BIRTH COMPLICATIONS, ARIZONA, 1992-2002  
(BLACK MOTHERS)**

<b>Characteristic</b>	<b>1992</b>	<b>1993</b>	<b>1994</b>	<b>1995</b>	<b>1996</b>	<b>1997</b>	<b>1998</b>	<b>1999</b>	<b>2000</b>	<b>2001</b>	<b>2002</b>
<b>Number of births</b>	2,447	2,402	2,477	2,233	2,336	2,485	2,629	2,699	2,760	2,736	2,753
<b>PERCENT OF LIVE BIRTHS:</b>											
<b>Age of mother</b>											
≤19 years	23.3	24.2	23.3	22.0	21.3	21.2	22.4	22.3	20.7	19.9	17.0
≥30 years	20.3	20.1	22.7	24.3	23.9	24.0	22.5	22.2	23.9	21.5	25.1
<b>Marital status</b>											
Unmarried	65.3	65.9	65.2	63.4	64.2	64.8	63.1	64.0	62.2	64.2	61.8
<b>Mother's education</b>											
<9 years	5.8	2.7	3.1	3.0	2.8	3.3	3.0	2.2	2.7	2.7	2.5
<b>Prenatal care began</b>											
1st Trimester	64.7	63.1	67.0	67.0	68.7	69.4	71.4	71.1	71.1	73.8	75.2
3rd Trimester	6.0	6.5	6.1	6.1	6.3	6.0	4.6	4.5	3.4	4.1	3.6
No Care	3.9	4.0	2.8	1.8	2.7	3.0	3.8	1.9	2.4	1.6	1.7
<b>Prenatal visits</b>											
1-4	7.6	6.1	6.6	6.3	6.2	6.6	5.6	4.9	4.2	4.5	4.3
≥5	85.1	86.0	84.9	80.7	86.9	87.7	85.1	83.3	85.5	88.2	91.3
≥9	69.5	66.6	67.7	62.8	69.0	71.0	71.4	68.2	70.4	73.1	75.0
≥13	33.1	27.3	24.9	24.9	29.7	29.8	27.7	26.7	30.0	34.7	31.3
<b>Medical risks complications<sup>1</sup></b>											
49.0	49.4	52.3	50.5	52.0	53.6	49.2	46.4	47.9	46.1	48.5	
<b>Gestational age<sup>2</sup></b>											
Preterm (<37 weeks)	12.2	14.3	13.5	14.2	13.7	14.1	12.9	14.5	14.9	14.8	14.0
<b>Birth weight</b>											
<2,500 grams	12.6	13.4	12.8	13.3	12.4	13.6	12.2	12.3	13.0	13.7	11.9
<1,500 grams	2.4	3.1	2.7	2.6	2.4	2.6	2.6	2.8	2.6	2.7	2.5
<b>Child's sex</b>											
Male	49.0	51.6	50.2	50.0	49.1	52.5	52.0	53.7	50.7	49.0	52.0
Female	51.0	48.4	49.8	50.0	50.1	47.5	48.0	46.3	49.3	51.0	48.0
<b>Plurality</b>											
Multiple births	1.9	3.0	4.2	3.3	2.9	3.2	2.2	2.9	3.7	4.7	3.3
<b>Caesarean delivery</b>											
19.9	18.2	21.3	17.2	19.7	20.2	20.3	19.3	20.6	22.4	24.2	
<b>Place of delivery</b>											
Hospital <sup>3</sup>	98.9	99.3	99.2	99.5	99.4	99.2	99.4	99.7	99.7	99.0	99.6
<b>Attendant at birth</b>											
Midwife <sup>4</sup>	5.5	6.0	4.5	4.8	5.0	6.2	5.1	5.2	5.1	5.0	3.8
<b>Previous live births</b>											
1 or more	63.2	64.7	64.3	63.2	63.2	62.9	61.8	61.0	62.7	62.8	62.3

<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.