

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, 1993-2003
(AMERICAN INDIAN OR ALASKA NATIVE MOTHERS)

Characteristic	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003
Number of LBW births	373	322	317	354	347	362	391	376	392	359	402
PERCENT OF LOW-BIRTHWEIGHT BIRTHS:											
Age of mother											
≤19 years	25.7	20.5	19.2	16.1	17.0	17.3	21.9	17.7	20.4	16.2	15.2
≤30 years	29.2	31.4	29.7	34.1	28.3	28.5	27.2	30.6	28.6	33.4	31.6
Marital status											
Unmarried	69.7	68.0	74.1	72.3	71.2	69.3	72.1	69.9	71.7	70.5	72.9
Mother's education											
<9 years	6.7	7.8	4.1	5.9	4.1	6.7	4.2	4.2	4.3	4.2	6.0
Prenatal care began											
1st Trimester	48.3	52.5	50.5	55.6	54.5	62.2	61.1	61.3	63.3	61.6	65.2
3rd Trimester	9.9	12.1	12.3	11.9	6.9	6.4	6.5	5.2	3.8	4.7	5.7
No Care	9.1	6.8	6.9	7.1	6.6	7.5	5.7	7.5	4.8	9.2	7.5
Prenatal visits											
1-4	16.4	17.7	19.9	17.8	18.4	17.7	13.2	16.1	16.8	14.2	13.2
≥5	68.6	67.0	62.8	67.6	71.7	70.4	72.6	66.2	72.2	71.9	76.6
≥9	36.2	36.6	35.6	38.2	40.9	43.3	47.4	44.2	43.9	44.0	45.5
≥13	15.0	12.1	10.7	10.2	12.7	10.2	16.7	15.3	17.3	14.8	17.4
Medical risks/ complications¹											
	79.1	81.4	85.2	87.6	82.4	78.5	81.3	78.4	79.8	77.4	72.9
Gestational age²											
Preterm (<37 weeks)	67.3	67.7	67.7	70.2	70.6	71.5	70.6	72.9	71.2	70.5	69.7
Birth weight											
<1,500 grams	18.8	12.8	14.8	15.8	16.5	17.4	15.9	20.7	14.1	14.2	13.2
<1,000 grams	7.5	5.3	7.9	7.3	6.1	7.7	6.6	9.0	6.4	7.8	6.2
Child's sex											
Male	48.3	46.6	50.8	49.7	53.0	52.5	50.9	49.1	46.2	51.8	49.0
Female	51.7	53.4	49.2	50.3	47.0	47.5	48.9	50.9	53.8	48.2	51.0
Plurality											
Multiple births	11.5	9.6	13.9	12.7	13.8	12.4	15.5	13.5	9.7	11.7	15.2
Caesarean delivery											
	22.3	31.7	31.5	34.6	36.3	37.5	32.7	40.5	33.9	39.3	38.3
Place of delivery											
Hospital ³	99.5	98.8	99.1	98.6	98.6	99.4	100.0	98.7	99.2	99.2	99.3
Attendant at birth											
Midwife ⁴	16.4	17.4	19.6	16.7	18.2	15.5	13.2	11.9	15.8	14.8	15.9
Previous live births											
1 or more	68.4	69.6	67.5	68.1	68.0	68.5	61.6	70.1	67.1	62.7	64.4

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.