

TABLE 1B-11
LOW-BIRTHWEIGHT (LBW) BIRTHS ACCORDING TO SELECTED MATERNAL,
PRENATAL CARE AND DELIVERY CHARACTERISTICS, BIRTHWEIGHT, PLURALITY,
CHILD'S SEX, BIRTH ORDER AND BIRTH COMPLICATIONS, ARIZONA, 1995-2005
(BLACK OR AFRICAN AMERICAN MOTHERS)

Characteristic	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
Number of LBW births	296	290	337	322	332	358	392	327	354	373	435
PERCENT OF LOW-BIRTHWEIGHT BIRTHS:											
Age of mother											
≤19 years	21.3	17.9	20.7	26.7	22.9	23.7	17.9	18.0	16.9	18.0	16.8
≥30 years	23.9	25.8	27.3	23.6	24.8	24.9	28.0	29.1	24.6	26.8	26.7
Marital status											
Unmarried	70.3	69.3	69.7	67.7	64.4	68.0	68.3	67.0	68.1	68.4	65.7
Mother's education											
<9 years	5.4	2.4	5.6	3.7	2.2	3.7	2.4	1.8	2.5	2.1	6.2
Prenatal care began											
1st Trimester	58.4	66.9	61.7	66.8	68.1	67.1	69.9	74.0	74.0	72.1	75.6
3rd Trimester	7.8	6.6	7.7	3.4	4.3	2.3	2.4	2.8	5.4	3.5	2.3
No Care	5.4	7.6	8.0	7.5	2.5	6.3	4.5	4.6	5.9	6.7	4.4
Prenatal visits											
1-4	12.2	12.4	13.4	12.1	8.4	6.9	9.3	6.7	9.3	9.4	9.0
≥5	70.3	72.7	73.9	71.8	74.6	76.6	76.8	84.7	79.7	82.3	85.5
≥9	46.6	54.4	56.1	51.9	55.7	52.3	57.6	56.9	56.8	59.5	57.7
≥13	18.6	21.0	25.2	19.9	25.1	25.7	29.1	22.3	28.8	24.1	23.4
Medical risks											
Complications¹	76.4	73.5	74.5	75.2	70.0	69.7	67.2	65.1	59.3	61.7	64.1
Gestational age²											
Preterm (<37 weeks)	66.2	68.5	63.7	68.0	72.6	70.1	69.1	68.5	70.1	71.6	74.3
Birth weight											
<1,500 grams	19.6	24.5	19.3	21.5	22.9	19.8	19.4	21.4	18.4	21.7	20.0
<1,000 grams	9.8	15.9	10.7	13.7	14.5	10.9	12.5	12.8	11.6	10.5	11.0
Child's sex											
Male	44.9	15.9	48.4	47.2	50.2	47.4	43.5	48.9	49.4	47.5	47.1
Female	55.1	54.8	51.6	52.8	49.8	52.6	56.5	51.1	50.6	52.5	52.9
Plurality											
Multiple births	17.2	45.2	16.9	16.5	17.3	20.9	25.1	18.7	19.5	20.1	14.5
Caesarean delivery	27.4	32.1	30.3	32.3	31.3	33.4	34.4	38.5	34.7	36.2	39.3
Place of delivery											
Hospital ³	99.3	99.3	98.2	98.4	100.0	99.7	99.7	100.0	99.7	98.7	100.0
Attendant at birth											
Midwife ⁴	2.0	2.1	3.6	1.9	3.1	2.3	2.1	1.8	2.3	1.6	1.1
Previous live births											
1 or more	67.9	61.7	65.6	57.5	61.5	65.4	66.4	64.8	64.7	63.5	59.8

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

²Physician's estimate.

³Hospital, clinic, medical center or maternity home.

⁴Licensed Midwife or Certified Nurse Midwife.