

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, 1996-2006
(BLACK OR AFRICAN AMERICAN MOTHERS)

Characteristic	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
Number of LBW births	290	337	322	332	358	392	327	354	373	435	489
Age of mother											
≤19 years	17.9	20.7	26.7	22.9	23.7	17.9	18.0	16.9	18.0	16.8	17.0
≥30 years	25.8	27.3	23.6	24.8	24.9	28.0	29.1	24.6	26.8	26.7	29.2
Marital status											
Unmarried	69.3	69.7	67.7	64.4	68.0	68.3	67.0	68.1	68.4	65.7	66.1
Mother's education											
<9 years	2.4	5.6	3.7	2.2	3.7	2.4	1.8	2.5	2.1	6.2	4.3
Prenatal care began											
1st Trimester	66.9	61.7	66.8	68.1	67.1	69.9	74.0	74.0	72.1	75.6	75.9
3rd Trimester	6.6	7.7	3.4	4.3	2.3	2.4	2.8	5.4	3.5	2.3	1.6
No Care	7.6	8.0	7.5	2.5	6.3	4.5	4.6	5.9	6.7	4.4	3.5
Prenatal visits											
1-4	12.4	13.4	12.1	8.4	6.9	9.3	6.7	9.3	9.4	9.0	9.4
≥5	72.7	73.9	71.8	74.6	76.6	76.8	84.7	79.7	82.3	85.5	86.7
≥9	54.4	56.1	51.9	55.7	52.3	57.6	56.9	56.8	59.5	57.7	60.9
≥13	21.0	25.2	19.9	25.1	25.7	29.1	22.3	28.8	24.1	23.4	21.3
Medical risks											
Complications¹	73.5	74.5	75.2	70.0	69.7	67.2	65.1	59.3	61.7	64.1	63.0
Gestational age²											
Preterm (<37 weeks)	68.5	63.7	68.0	72.6	70.1	69.1	68.5	70.1	71.6	74.3	70.6
Birth weight											
<1,500 grams	24.5	19.3	21.5	22.9	19.8	19.4	21.4	18.4	21.7	20.0	18.2
<1,000 grams	15.9	10.7	13.7	14.5	10.9	12.5	12.8	11.6	10.5	11.0	9.8
Child's sex											
Male	15.9	48.4	47.2	50.2	47.4	43.5	48.9	49.4	47.5	47.1	45.2
Female	54.8	51.6	52.8	49.8	52.6	56.5	51.1	50.6	52.5	52.9	54.6
Plurality											
Multiple births	45.2	16.9	16.5	17.3	20.9	25.1	18.7	19.5	20.1	14.5	18.2
Caesarean delivery	32.1	30.3	32.3	31.3	33.4	34.4	38.5	34.7	36.2	39.3	37.4
Place of delivery											
Hospital ³	99.3	98.2	98.4	100.0	99.7	99.7	100.0	99.7	98.7	100.0	99.6
Attendant at birth											
Midwife ⁴	2.1	3.6	1.9	3.1	2.3	2.1	1.8	2.3	1.6	1.1	1.0
Previous live births											
1 or more	61.7	65.6	57.5	61.5	65.4	66.4	64.8	64.7	63.5	59.8	62.8

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.