

**TABLE 1B-2
LIVE BIRTHS ACCORDING TO SELECTED MATERNAL, PRENATAL CARE
AND DELIVERY CHARACTERISTICS, BIRTHWEIGHT, PLURALITY, CHILD'S SEX,
BIRTH ORDER AND BIRTH COMPLICATIONS, ARIZONA, 1996-2006
(ALL RACE/ETHNIC GROUPS)**

Characteristic	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
Number of births	75,094	75,563	77,940	80,505	84,985	85,213	87,379	90,783	93,396	95,798	102,042
Age of mother											
≤19 years	15.0	14.7	15.0	14.9	14.3	13.8	13.1	12.9	12.7	12.5	12.7
≥30 years	30.2	30.6	30.4	30.1	30.4	31.0	31.4	31.6	32.3	32.2	31.6
Marital status											
Unmarried	38.8	37.7	38.4	38.8	39.3	39.4	40.2	41.2	41.9	42.8	43.9
Mother's education											
<9 years	9.3	9.0	8.8	9.0	9.2	9.3	9.1	9.4	9.3	8.7	8.2
Mother's race/ethnicity											
White ¹	51.3	50.1	49.5	48.1	46.9	45.7	44.4	42.8	42.0	41.4	42.2
Hispanic	36.5	37.0	37.0	38.2	39.9	41.2	41.3	43.1	43.7	44.0	44.0
Black	3.2	3.3	3.4	3.4	3.2	3.2	3.2	3.3	3.4	3.6	3.8
American Indian	7.1	7.0	7.0	6.6	6.6	6.3	6.3	6.5	6.6	6.6	6.2
Other	2.1	2.6	3.1	3.7	3.4	3.7	4.8	4.4	4.2	4.4	3.9
Prenatal care begin											
1 st Trimester	72.9	74.4	73.6	74.1	75.0	75.5	75.7	75.6	76.3	77.7	77.7
3 rd Trimester	5.7	4.8	4.9	4.6	4.5	4.3	4.4	4.3	4.4	3.8	3.7
No Care	1.6	1.8	2.1	2.2	2.1	1.9	2.2	2.9	2.8	2.3	2.4
Prenatal visits											
1-4	5.1	4.8	5.0	4.7	4.6	4.5	4.5	4.3	4.6	4.2	4.0
≥5	90.6	91.6	89.4	88.4	88.9	90.6	91.5	90.2	91.7	93.3	93.5
≥9	74.3	75.6	74.4	73.4	73.7	75.9	75.9	74.6	75.5	76.6	76.4
≥13	28.8	29.9	29.2	29.9	31.1	33.0	31.7	29.8	27.6	25.9	27.5
Medical risk/ Complications²	46.2	47.6	45.9	43.2	44.9	45.1	45.6	44.2	44.6	44.7	44.3
Gestational age³											
Preterm (<37 weeks)	9.2	9.7	9.6	9.8	10.3	9.9	10.0	10.5	11.0	10.7	10.6
Birth weight											
<2,500 grams	6.8	6.9	6.8	6.9	7.0	7.0	6.8	7.1	7.2	6.9	7.1
<1,500 grams	1.2	1.2	1.1	1.1	1.2	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.2	1.2	1.2
Child's sex											
Male	50.9	51.8	51.2	51.2	51.1	50.9	51.3	51.0	51.2	51.2	51.2
Female	49.1	48.2	48.8	48.8	48.9	49.1	48.7	49.0	48.8	48.8	48.8
Plurality											
Multiple births	2.5	2.5	2.6	2.6	2.7	2.7	2.7	2.8	2.9	2.7	2.8
Caesarean delivery	16.2	17.0	17.3	18.0	18.9	20.3	21.6	22.6	23.7	25.0	26.0
Place of delivery											
Hospital ⁴	99.2	99.1	99.2	99.4	99.4	98.9	98.9	98.8	98.8	98.9	98.9
Attendant at birth											
Midwife ⁵	9.0	9.5	9.1	8.7	8.4	7.6	7.0	6.5	6.7	6.1	5.6
Previous live births											
1 or more	61	61.1	61.3	61.4	61.4	62.3	62.4	62.2	62.9	63.0	62.5

¹Non-Hispanic.

²Reported medical risks for this pregnancy and/or complications of labor and delivery.

³Physician's estimate.

⁴Hospital, clinic, medical center or maternity home.

⁵Licensed Midwife or Certified Nurse Midwife.