

**TABLE 1B-10**  
**LIVE BIRTHS ACCORDING TO SELECTED MATERNAL, PRENATAL CARE AND DELIVERY**  
**CHARACTERISTICS, BIRTHWEIGHT, PLURALITY, CHILD'S SEX, BIRTH ORDER**  
**AND BIRTH COMPLICATIONS, ARIZONA, 1997-2007**  
**(BLACK OR AFRICAN AMERICAN MOTHERS)**

Characteristic	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
<b>Number of births</b>	2,485	2,629	2,699	2,760	2,736	2,753	3,022	3,216	3,450	3,864	4,165
<b>Age of mother</b>											
≤19 years	21.2	22.4	22.3	20.7	19.9	17.0	18.2	16.8	16.5	15.6	14.9
≥30 years	24.0	22.5	22.2	23.9	21.5	25.1	23.9	25.7	25.3	26.2	27.0
<b>Marital status</b>											
Unmarried	64.8	63.1	64.0	62.2	64.2	61.8	62.7	62.0	61.9	62.3	61.9
<b>Mother's education</b>											
<9 years	3.3	3.0	2.2	2.7	2.7	2.5	2.6	3.0	4.8	4.6	4.4
<b>Prenatal care began</b>											
1st Trimester	69.4	71.4	71.1	71.1	73.8	75.2	75.7	75.8	76.6	77.4	76.8
3rd Trimester	6.0	4.6	4.5	3.4	4.1	3.6	4.4	4.4	3.4	2.8	3.7
No Care	3.0	3.8	1.9	2.4	1.6	1.7	3.5	3.3	2.6	2.3	2.7
<b>Prenatal visits</b>											
1-4	6.6	5.6	4.9	4.2	4.5	4.3	4.1	4.6	4.5	4.1	4.4
≥5	87.7	85.1	83.3	85.5	88.2	91.3	89.3	91.0	92.7	93.3	92.8
≥9	71.0	71.4	68.2	70.4	73.1	75.0	74.7	75.2	74.4	74.6	75.0
≥13	29.8	27.7	26.7	30.0	34.7	31.3	31.7	28.5	24.6	26.9	28.2
<b>Medical risks</b>											
Complications <sup>1</sup>	53.6	49.2	46.4	47.9	46.1	48.5	46.6	44.1	44.4	44.4	46.4
<b>Gestational age<sup>2</sup></b>											
Preterm (<37 weeks)	14.1	12.9	14.5	14.9	14.8	14.0	14.4	14.4	16.4	14.5	14.9
<b>Birth weight</b>											
<2,500 grams	13.6	12.2	12.3	13.0	13.7	11.9	11.7	11.6	12.6	12.7	12.8
<1,500 grams	2.6	2.6	2.8	2.6	2.7	2.5	2.2	2.5	2.5	2.3	2.6
<b>Child's sex</b>											
Male	52.5	52.0	53.7	50.7	49.0	52.0	51.8	51.3	50.5	50.8	51.8
Female	47.5	48.0	46.3	49.3	51.0	48.0	48.2	48.7	49.5	49.2	48.2
<b>Plurality</b>											
Multiple births	3.2	2.2	2.9	3.7	4.7	3.3	3.8	3.4	3.1	3.8	3.6
<b>Caesarean delivery</b>	20.2	20.3	19.3	20.6	22.4	24.2	25.5	25.8	27.4	29.1	30.3
<b>Place of delivery</b>											
Hospital <sup>3</sup>	99.2	99.4	99.7	99.7	99.0	99.6	99.2	99.3	99.5	99.3	99.6
<b>Attendant at birth</b>											
Midwife <sup>4</sup>	6.2	5.1	5.2	5.1	5.0	3.8	3.4	3.5	3.0	2.6	2.4
<b>Previous live births</b>											
1 or more	62.9	61.8	61.0	62.7	62.8	62.3	61.4	63.5	62.3	61.4	63.2

<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.