

**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, 2001-2011**  
**(BLACK OR AFRICAN AMERICAN MOTHERS)**

Characteristic	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011
<b>Number of LBW births</b>	392	327	354	373	435	489	532	503	559	492	546
<b>Age of mother</b>											
≤19 years	17.9	18.0	16.9	18.0	16.8	17.0	15.8	16.7	13.8	17.5	13.7
≥30 years	28.0	29.1	24.6	26.8	26.7	29.2	28.2	31.8	30.6	27.6	33.5
<b>Marital status</b>											
Unmarried	68.3	67.0	68.1	68.4	65.7	66.1	66.4	65.2	69.8	72.2	67.9
<b>Mother's education</b>											
<9 years	2.4	1.8	2.5	2.1	6.2	4.3	5.5	4.4	3.2	4.3	2.9
<b>Prenatal care began</b>											
1st Trimester	69.9	74.0	74.0	72.1	75.6	75.9	77.4	77.7	79.4	82.5	80.0
3rd Trimester	2.4	2.8	5.4	3.5	2.3	1.6	3.4	3.4	2.5	1.6	3.1
No Care	4.5	4.6	5.9	6.7	4.4	3.5	3.6	4.4	4.1	2.4	2.4
<b>Prenatal visits</b>											
1-4	9.3	6.7	9.3	9.4	9.0	9.4	9.0	6.8	7.3	9.3	9.5
≥5	76.8	84.7	79.7	82.3	85.5	86.7	87.4	88.5	88.0	87.8	86.3
≥9	57.6	56.9	56.8	59.5	57.7	60.9	60.0	62.0	64.0	60.4	64.1
≥13	29.1	22.3	28.8	24.1	23.4	21.3	22.9	21.3	23.8	26.6	29.3
<b>Medical risks</b>											
<b>Complications<sup>1</sup></b>	67.2	65.1	59.3	61.7	64.1	63.0	67.7	68.4	72.8	74.0	68.7
<b>Gestational age<sup>2</sup></b>											
Preterm (<37 weeks)	69.1	68.5	70.1	71.6	74.3	70.6	70.1	71.6	72.1	68.9	65.6
<b>Birth weight</b>											
<1,500 grams	19.4	21.4	18.4	21.7	20.0	18.2	20.3	22.1	22.2	23.0	20.0
<1,000 grams	12.5	12.8	11.6	10.5	11.0	9.8	10.2	13.1	10.9	12.6	10.8
<b>Child's sex</b>											
Male	43.5	48.9	49.4	47.5	47.1	45.2	47.9	49.7	49.7	42.3	46.0
Female	56.5	51.1	50.6	52.5	52.9	54.6	52.1	50.3	50.3	57.7	54.0
<b>Plurality</b>											
Multiple births	25.1	18.7	19.5	20.1	14.5	18.2	18.6	19.1	22.0	19.7	17.8
<b>Caesarean delivery</b>	34.4	38.5	34.7	36.2	39.3	37.4	43.0	44.9	45.6	43.9	43.4
<b>Place of delivery</b>											
Hospital <sup>3</sup>	99.7	100.0	99.7	98.7	100.0	99.6	100.0	99.8	99.6	99.4	99.8
<b>Attendant at birth</b>											
Midwife <sup>4</sup>	2.1	1.8	2.3	1.6	1.1	1.0	1.1	2.0	1.3	2.0	2.6
<b>Previous live births</b>											
1 or more	66.4	64.8	64.7	63.5	59.8	62.8	64.5	62.8	61.4	59.3	62.5

<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.