

TABLE 1B-13
LOW-BIRTHWEIGHT (LBW) BIRTHS ACCORDING TO SELECTED MATERNAL, PRENATAL
CARE AND DELIVERY CHARACTERISTICS, BIRTHWEIGHT, PLURALITY, CHILD'S SEX,
BIRTH ORDER AND BIRTH COMPLICATIONS, ARIZONA, 1994-2004
(AMERICAN INDIAN OR ALASKA NATIVE MOTHERS)

Characteristic	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
Number of LBW births	322	317	354	347	362	391	376	392	359	402	441
PERCENT OF LOW-BIRTHWEIGHT BIRTHS:											
Age of mother											
≤19 years	20.5	19.2	16.1	17.0	17.3	21.9	17.7	20.4	16.2	15.2	18.6
≤30 years	31.4	29.7	34.1	28.3	28.5	27.2	30.6	28.6	33.4	31.6	28.3
Marital status											
Unmarried	68.0	74.1	72.3	71.2	69.3	72.1	69.9	71.7	70.5	72.9	74.6
Mother's education											
<9 years	7.8	4.1	5.9	4.1	6.7	4.2	4.2	4.3	4.2	6.0	4.5
Prenatal care began											
1st Trimester	52.5	50.5	55.6	54.5	62.2	61.1	61.3	63.3	61.6	65.2	67.1
3rd Trimester	12.1	12.3	11.9	6.9	6.4	6.5	5.2	3.8	4.7	5.7	3.2
No Care	6.8	6.9	7.1	6.6	7.5	5.7	7.5	4.8	9.2	7.5	5.9
Prenatal visits											
1-4	17.7	19.9	17.8	18.4	17.7	13.2	16.1	16.8	14.2	13.2	13.8
≥5	67.0	62.8	67.6	71.7	70.4	72.6	66.2	72.2	71.9	76.6	78.9
≥9	36.6	35.6	38.2	40.9	43.3	47.4	44.2	43.9	44.0	45.5	50.8
≥13	12.1	10.7	10.2	12.7	10.2	16.7	15.3	17.3	14.8	17.4	16.3
Medical risks/ complications¹											
	81.4	85.2	87.6	82.4	78.5	81.3	78.4	79.8	77.4	72.9	71.7
Gestational age²											
Preterm (<37 weeks)	67.7	67.7	70.2	70.6	71.5	70.6	72.9	71.2	70.5	69.7	68.5
Birth weight											
<1,500 grams	12.8	14.8	15.8	16.5	17.4	15.9	20.7	14.1	14.2	13.2	12.7
<1,000 grams	5.3	7.9	7.3	6.1	7.7	6.6	9.0	6.4	7.8	6.2	5.2
Child's sex											
Male	46.6	50.8	49.7	53.0	52.5	50.9	49.1	46.2	51.8	49.0	53.7
Female	53.4	49.2	50.3	47.0	47.5	48.9	50.9	53.8	48.2	51.0	46.3
Plurality											
Multiple births	9.6	13.9	12.7	13.8	12.4	15.5	13.5	9.7	11.7	15.2	13.2
Caesarean delivery											
	31.7	31.5	34.6	36.3	37.5	32.7	40.5	33.9	39.3	38.3	36.5
Place of delivery											
Hospital ³	98.8	99.1	98.6	98.6	99.4	100.0	98.7	99.2	99.2	99.3	99.8
Attendant at birth											
Midwife ⁴	17.4	19.6	16.7	18.2	15.5	13.2	11.9	15.8	14.8	15.9	16.1
Previous live births											
1 or more	69.6	67.5	68.1	68.0	68.5	61.6	70.1	67.1	62.7	64.4	62.4

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

² Physician's estimate.

³ Hospital, clinic, medical center or maternity home.

⁴ Licensed Midwife or Certified Nurse Midwife.