

**TABLE 1B-24
CHANGES FROM 2005 TO 2015 IN SELECTED CHARACTERISTICS OF NEWBORNS AND ARIZONA WOMEN GIVING BIRTH
BY AREA AND RACE/ETHNICITY**

Characteristics	Urban ^a			Rural			White non-Hispanic			Hispanic or Latino			Black or African American			American Indian or Alaska Native			Asian or Pacific Islander		
	2005	2015	% Change	2005	2015	% Change	2005	2015	% Change	2005	2015	% Change	2005	2015	% Change	2005	2015	% Change	2005	2015	% Change
Number of births^b	82,141	73,547	-10.5	13,603	11,467	-15.7	39,657	38,180	-3.7	42,156	34,264	-18.7	3,450	4,361	26.4	6,293	4,984	-20.8	2,805	3,235	15.3
Per 100 births:																					
Teenage mother^c	12.0	6.6	-45.0	15.5	9.0	-42.2	6.9	4.0	-41.9	17.1	9.9	-41.8	16.5	7.2	-56.6	19.6	11.4	-41.8	3.4	1.9	-42.7
Unwed mother^d	41.9	44.1	5.1	48.4	53.0	9.5	26.1	31.5	20.6	54.3	56.2	3.6	61.9	63.2	2.1	72.9	79.6	9.2	17.0	14.3	-16.0
Early prenatal care^e	78.4	68.3	-12.8	73.9	64.8	-12.3	87.7	73.2	-16.5	69.5	63.6	-8.5	76.6	62.2	-18.8	67.9	58.5	-13.9	86.3	71.8	-16.8
0-4 prenatal visits	6.3	6.2	-1.6	8.2	9.2	11.9	2.8	3.9	40.4	9.1	8.3	-8.9	8.1	8.9	10.4	12.6	14.6	15.9	3.5	4.8	36.9
C-Section	25.4	27.9	10.0	23.1	25.0	8.2	27.1	28.1	3.8	23.5	26.3	12.1	27.4	32.8	19.7	20.6	22.6	9.9	28.1	34.0	20.9
LBW rate	6.9	7.1	2.4	7.4	7.8	5.0	6.9	6.6	-3.7	6.4	6.9	7.8	12.6	12.3	-2.6	7.3	7.3	0.3	8.0	9.0	12.4
Newborn intensive care	5.8	7.2	23.4	5.5	5.2	-5.5	6.5	6.6	1.9	5.1	6.7	31.9	7.4	10.9	47.8	5.1	6.0	17.2	5.4	7.8	44.8
Preterm births (< 37 weeks)	10.8	9.0	-16.3	10.0	8.9	-10.5	10.9	8.6	-21.5	10.1	9.0	-10.6	16.4	12.2	-25.3	10.6	9.6	-9.3	10.2	9.4	-7.9
Births paid for by the AHCCCS^f	52.3	50.7	-3.0	54.9	60.6	10.3	30.2	35.3	16.9	74.1	69.0	-6.9	64.0	69.6	8.7	55.8	66.1	17.4	24.5	25.3	3.2

Notes: ^a Urban = Maricopa, Pima, Pinal, and Yuma counties; the remaining counties comprise Arizona's rural areas; see **Technical Notes** for more information; ^b Per 100 live births; ^c Less than 20 years old; ^d The coding of marital status has changed as such unmarried category includes divorced; ^e Entered care in first trimester of pregnancy; ^f The Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System (AHCCCS) is the State's Medicaid program.