

**TABLE 1B-3**  
**LOW-BIRTHWEIGHT (LBW) BIRTHS ACCORDING TO SELECTED MATERNAL, PRENATAL**  
**CARE AND DELIVERY CHARACTERISTICS, BIRTHWEIGHT, PLURALITY, CHILD'S SEX,**  
**BIRTH ORDER, AND BIRTH COMPLICATIONS, ARIZONA, 2005-2015**  
**(ALL RACE/ETHNIC GROUPS)**

Characteristic	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
<b>Number of births</b>	6,640	7,266	7,285	7,026	6,573	6,155	5,949	5,946	5,849	6,069	6,093
<b>Age of mother</b>											
≤19 years	14.2	14.5	14.2	13.2	13.1	12.3	11.6	10.7	8.9	7.8	7.8
≥30 years	33.5	34.3	34.7	35.8	37.4	37.8	37.9	39.4	37.9	40.9	42.0
<b>Marital status</b>											
Unmarried	48.3	48.3	49.2	48.6	48.5	49.4	50.0	51.4	51.3	49.1	47.5
<b>Mother's education</b>											
<9 years	8.3	7.8	7.7	6.3	5.7	4.7	4.5	4.5	4.2	3.8	3.5
<b>Mother's race/ethnicity</b>											
White <sup>b</sup>	41.1	39.8	40.9	41.0	41.5	41.9	43.5	42.1	42.0	44.7	41.7
Hispanic	40.8	42.3	41.5	40.8	38.7	38.1	34.9	37.9	37.6	37.0	38.8
Black	6.6	6.7	7.3	7.2	8.5	8.0	9.2	9.3	8.9	8.8	8.8
American Indian	6.9	6.5	5.8	6.1	6.0	6.6	6.8	6.3	6.7	5.2	6.0
Asian or Pacific Islander	4.7	4.7	4.5	5.0	5.2	5.4	5.7	4.4	4.7	4.2	4.8
<b>Prenatal care began</b>											
1st Trimester	77.4	77.2	77.4	79.5	80.6	81.0	81.2	80.0	78.9	63.6	65.0
3rd Trimester	2.7	2.8	3.1	2.9	2.6	2.7	2.3	2.7	3.4	4.1	3.9
No Care	4.7	4.9	4.5	3.8	3.6	3.2	3.2	2.9	2.9	4.8	5.2
<b>Prenatal visits</b>											
1-4	9.4	8.5	8.2	7.7	7.6	7.5	7.3	8.6	8.2	8.6	9.4
≥5	85.6	86.3	87.1	88.2	88.3	88.8	88.5	87.9	88.5	84.8	83.1
≥9	60.3	60.1	61.2	63.0	64.1	65.2	65.0	65.5	66.4	60.4	58.1
≥13	22.1	21.9	25.1	25.6	25.7	27.1	28.5	26.7	27.7	22.1	20.2
<b>Medical risks/ Complications<sup>c</sup></b>	67.2	65.1	65.9	68.7	70.5	73.3	69.2	73.2	72.5	33.3	37.0
<b>Gestational age<sup>d</sup></b>											
Preterm (<37 weeks)	73.7	72.7	72.3	71.7	71.2	70.2	70.1	71.2	70.2	69.4	68.8
<b>Birth weight</b>											
<1,500 grams	16.9	16.9	16.8	16.5	16.7	15.3	16.8	16.6	15.8	16.8	16.0
<1,000 grams	8.7	7.7	8.1	7.7	8.0	7.1	8.3	8.1	7.4	8.4	7.4
<b>Child's sex</b>											
Male	47.1	47.5	47.9	48.1	47.8	46.5	46.8	48.7	49.3	47.7	47.4
Female	52.9	52.5	52.1	51.9	52.2	53.5	53.2	51.3	50.7	52.3	52.6
<b>Plurality</b>											
Multiple births	22.2	22.5	23.1	23.3	22.1	23.1	22.8	23.0	24.4	23.7	22.5
<b>Caesarean delivery</b>	42.5	43.2	44.2	46.7	46.4	46.5	46.8	47.7	47.6	47.4	48.6
<b>Place of delivery</b>											
Hospital <sup>e</sup>	99.6	99.7	99.6	99.7	99.8	99.6	99.4	99.7	99.7	99.7	99.5
<b>Attendant at birth</b>											
Midwife <sup>f</sup>	2.5	1.9	2.5	2.6	2.3	2.6	2.3	2.5	2.7	9.5	10.5
<b>Previous live births</b>											
1 or more	58.3	59.6	60.5	60.5	59.7	60.3	59.6	61.4	60.5	61.4	60.9

Notes: <sup>a</sup> Rates per 100 births.

<sup>b</sup> Non-Hispanic.

<sup>c</sup> Reported medical risks for this pregnancy and/or complications of labor and delivery.

<sup>d</sup> Physician's estimate.

<sup>e</sup> Hospital, clinic, medical center or maternity home.

<sup>f</sup> Licensed Midwife or Certified Nurse Midwife.